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REGIONAL AND STATE EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT: AUGUST 2003

Regional and state unemployment rates were generally stable in August. All four regions and 40 states recorded rate shifts of 0.3 percentage point or less from July, the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor reported today. The national jobless rate was essentially unchanged at 6.1 percent in August. Nonfarm payroll employment decreased in 25 states and the District of Columbia in August.

Regional Unemployment (Seasonally Adjusted)

The South had the lowest unemployment rate among the regions in August, 5.6 percent, followed closely by the Northeast, 5.7 percent, and the Midwest, 5.8 percent. The West continued to post the highest rate, 6.4 percent. The Midwest reported the only unemployment rate change from a year earlier, an increase of 0.3 percentage point. (See table 1.)

Among the nine geographic divisions, the West North Central continued to record the lowest jobless rate, 4.7 percent, followed by the South Atlantic division, 5.1 percent, and New England, 5.3 percent. The Pacific division again reported the highest rate, 6.8 percent. The next highest rates were registered in the West South Central and East North Central divisions, 6.4 and 6.3 percent, respectively. The largest change from July was a 0.3-percentage point decline in the South Atlantic's jobless rate. The East North Central had the largest unemployment rate increase from August 2002 (+0.4 percentage point). No division experienced an over-the-year rate decrease greater than 0.2 percentage point.

State Unemployment (Seasonally Adjusted)

In August, South Dakota again reported the lowest unemployment rate, 3.4 percent, followed by Virginia, 3.7 percent, and Nebraska and North Dakota, 3.8 percent each. Alaska and Oregon recorded the highest unemployment rates, 8.0 percent each, followed by Washington and Michigan, 7.5 and 7.4 percent, respectively. The District of Columbia and Louisiana also posted rates above 7.0 percent. (See table 3 and chart 1.)

Compared with July, unemployment rates were lower in 29 states, higher in 11 states and the District of Columbia, and unchanged in 10 states. The largest over-the-month unemployment rate decreases were reported in Mississippi (-1.0 percentage point), South Carolina (-0.8 point), and Ohio (-0.5 point). The largest over-the-month increases were recorded in the District of Columbia (+0.7 percentage point) and Delaware (+0.5 point).

Unemployment rates increased over the year in 28 states and the District of Columbia, decreased in 18 states, and were unchanged in 4 states. Michigan reported the largest jobless rate increase from a year ago (+1.3 percentage points), followed by Louisiana (+1.0 point). Another five states and the District of Columbia recorded over-the-year rate increases of at least one-half percentage point each. Utah posted the largest unemployment rate decline from last August (-0.9 percentage point), followed by Georgia (-0.6 point). Two other states—New Hampshire and Pennsylvania—registered over-the-year rate decreases of one-half percentage point each.

Nonfarm Payroll Employment (Seasonally Adjusted)

From July to August, total nonfarm employment decreased in 25 states and the District of Columbia and increased in 25 states. The largest employment decreases occurred in Michigan (-30,800), North Carolina (-22,400), New York (-19,900), and New Jersey (-11,800). The largest over-the-month percentage decreases in employment were reported in Michigan (-0.7 percent), North Carolina (-0.6 percent), Wyoming (-0.5 percent), and the District of Columbia, Oklahoma, and Rhode Island (-0.4 percent each). The largest employment increases occurred in Texas (+28,500), Georgia (+23,300), Maryland (+17,700), and Indiana (+17,600). Idaho and South Dakota posted the largest over-the-month percentage increases in employment (+0.8 percent each), followed by Maryland and West Virginia (+0.7 percent each), and Georgia and Indiana (+0.6 percent each). (See table 5.)

Over the year, employment decreased in 28 states and the District of Columbia and increased in 22 states. The largest employment losses were in Michigan (-96,800), Ohio (-63,700), Illinois (-57,200), Massachusetts (-45,800), and New York (-41,500). All five of these states recorded larger over-the-year declines than in the previous month. Michigan recorded the largest percentage decline in employment (-2.2 percent), followed by South Carolina (-2.1 percent), Oregon (-1.6 percent), and Massachusetts and Missouri (-1.4 percent each). The largest over-the-year gains in employment occurred in Florida (+90,400), Georgia (+50,900), Texas (+35,200), Maryland (+29,600), New Jersey (+23,800), and Nevada (+22,400). The largest percentage gains were reported in Hawaii (+2.4 percent), Nevada (+2.1 percent), Vermont (+1.9 percent), and New Mexico (+1.8 percent). (See chart 2.)

The Metropolitan Area Employment and Unemployment release for August is scheduled to be issued on October 1. The Regional and State Employment and Unemployment release for September is scheduled to be issued on October 21.

Technical Note

This release presents labor force and unemployment data for census regions and divisions, states, the Los Angeles-Long Beach metropolitan area, and New York City from the Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS) program (tables 1-4). Also presented are nonfarm payroll employment estimates by state and major industry from the Current Employment Statistics (CES) program (tables 5 and 6). The LAUS and CES programs are both Federal-State cooperative endeavors.

Labor force and unemployment—from the LAUS program

Definitions. The labor force and unemployment data are based on the same concepts and definitions as those used for the official national estimates obtained from the Current Population Survey (CPS), a sample survey of households that is conducted for the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) by the U.S. Census Bureau. The labor force includes both the employed and the unemployed. Employed persons are those who did any work at all for pay or profit in the survey reference week (the week including the 12th of the month) or worked 15 hours or more without pay in a family business or farm, plus those not working who have a job from which they were temporarily absent, whether or not paid, for such reasons as labor-management dispute, illness, or vacation. Unemployed persons are those who did not work at all (in the reference week), have actively looked for a job (sometime in the 4-week period ending with the survey reference week), and are currently available for work; persons on layoff expecting recall need not be looking for work to be counted as unemployed.

Method of estimation. Effective January 1996, estimates for all states, the District of Columbia, the Los Angeles-Long Beach metropolitan area, and New York City are produced using estimating equations based on regression techniques. This method utilizes data from several sources, including the CPS, the CES, and state unemployment insurance (UI) data. A detailed description of the estimation procedures is available from BLS upon request. Effective January 1998, estimates for census regions and divisions are obtained by summing the model-based estimates for the component states and then calculating the unemployment rate.

Annual revisions. Labor force and unemployment data shown for the prior year reflect adjustments made at the end of each year, usually with January estimates. The adjusted estimates reflect updated population data from the U.S. Census Bureau and any revisions in the other data sources. In addition, data for all states, the District of Columbia, and the two large substate areas noted are adjusted annually to equal the CPS annual averages, usually effective with January estimates. The regional and state data will not sum to national totals obtained from the CPS, since the monthly state estimates are not based directly on the CPS.

Seasonal adjustment. Seasonal adjustment of state (and Los Angeles-Long Beach and New York City) labor force levels are computed by aggregating independently seasonally adjusted employment and unemployment levels. Unemployment rates are then computed from these independently adjusted levels. Region and

division levels are calculated as the sum of the levels of the component states. Revisions of historical data for the most recent 5 years are usually made at the beginning of each calendar year, usually coincident with January estimates.

Employment from the CES program

Definitions. Employment data refer to persons on establishment payrolls who receive pay for any part of the pay period which includes the 12th of the month. Persons are counted at their place of work rather than at their place of residence; those appearing on more than one payroll are counted on each payroll. Industries are classified on the basis of their principal activity in accordance with the 2002 version of the North American Industry Classification System.

Method of estimation. The employment data are estimated using a “link relative” technique in which a ratio (link relative) of current-month employment to that of the previous month is computed from a sample of establishments reporting for both months. The estimates of employment for the current month are obtained by multiplying the estimates for the previous month by these ratios.

Annual revisions. Employment estimates are adjusted annually to a complete count of jobs, called benchmarks, derived principally from tax reports which are submitted by employers who are covered under state unemployment insurance (UI) laws. The benchmark information is used to adjust the monthly estimates between the new benchmark and the preceding one and also to establish the level of employment for the new benchmark month. Thus, the benchmarking process establishes the level of employment, and the sample is used to measure the month-to-month changes in the level for the subsequent months.

Seasonal adjustment. Payroll employment data are seasonally adjusted at the statewide supersector level. In some states, the seasonally adjusted payroll employment total is computed by aggregating the independently adjusted supersector series. In other states, the seasonally adjusted payroll employment total is independently adjusted. Revisions of historical data for the most recent 5 years are made once a year, coincident with annual benchmark adjustments.

Caution on aggregating state data. State estimation procedures are designed to produce accurate data for each individual state. BLS independently develops a national employment series; state estimates are not forced to sum to national totals. Because each state series is subject to larger sampling and nonsampling errors than the national series, summing them cumulates individual state level errors and can cause significant distortions at an aggregate level. Due to these statistical limitations, BLS does not compile a “sum-of-states” employment series, and cautions users that such a series is subject to a relatively large and volatile error structure.

Reliability of the estimates

The estimates presented in this release are based on sample survey and administrative data and thus are subject to sampling and other

types of errors. Sampling error is a measure of sampling variability—that is, variation that occurs by chance because a sample rather than the entire population is surveyed. Survey data also are subject to nonsampling errors, such as those which can be introduced into the data collection and processing operations. Estimates not directly derived from sample surveys are subject to additional errors resulting from the special estimation processes used. The sums of individual items may not always equal the totals shown in the same tables because of rounding. With respect to the LAUS program, unemployment rates are computed, in most instances, from unrounded data rather than from data that may be displayed in the tables; differences, however, are generally insignificant.

Labor force and unemployment estimates. Measures of sampling error, in the form of standard errors for state annual average estimates derived from the CPS, are available in the annual BLS bulletin, *Geographic Profile of Employment and Unemployment*. Measures of nonsampling error for CPS data are not available, but additional information on the subject is provided in the BLS monthly periodical, *Employment and Earnings*.

Employment estimates. Measures of sampling error will be available for state CES data at the supersector level and for metropolitan area CES data at the total nonfarm level. Information on

recent benchmark revisions for states is available on the BLS Web site at (<http://www.bls.gov/sae/>).

Additional information

More complete information on the technical procedures used to develop these estimates and additional data appear in *Employment and Earnings*, which is available by subscription from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, DC 20402 (telephone 202-512-1800), and from the *BLS Handbook of Methods*, Bulletin 2490, August 1997.

Estimates of labor force and unemployment for over 330 metropolitan areas are available in the news release, *Metropolitan Area Employment and Unemployment*. Estimates of labor force, employment, and unemployment for all states, metropolitan areas, labor market areas, counties, cities with a population of 25,000 or more, and other areas used in the administration of various federal economic assistance programs are available from the BLS Internet at (<http://www.bls.gov/lau/>). Employment data from the CES program are available at (<http://www.bls.gov/sae/>).

Information in this release will be made available to sensory impaired individuals upon request. Voice phone: 202-691-5200; TDD message referral phone: 1-800-877-8339.

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Table 1. Civilian labor force and unemployment by census regions and divisions, seasonally adjusted¹

(Numbers in thousands)

Census region and division	Civilian labor force				Unemployed							
					Number				Percent of labor force			
	Aug. 2002	June 2003	July 2003	Aug. 2003 ^P	Aug. 2002	June 2003	July 2003	Aug. 2003 ^P	Aug. 2002	June 2003	July 2003	Aug. 2003 ^P
Northeast	27,636.6	27,530.9	27,586.0	27,569.0	1,568.8	1,570.6	1,587.9	1,560.2	5.7	5.7	5.8	5.7
New England	7,580.3	7,562.6	7,575.4	7,573.6	379.6	388.1	392.2	398.7	5.0	5.1	5.2	5.3
Middle Atlantic	20,056.3	19,968.3	20,010.6	19,995.4	1,189.2	1,182.4	1,195.7	1,161.5	5.9	5.9	6.0	5.8
South	50,751.6	51,322.3	51,410.8	51,309.8	2,833.5	2,935.5	2,986.1	2,884.9	5.6	5.7	5.8	5.6
South Atlantic	26,715.0	26,874.2	26,947.6	26,875.4	1,416.8	1,420.2	1,454.9	1,382.3	5.3	5.3	5.4	5.1
East South Central	8,284.2	8,381.0	8,392.5	8,347.0	459.3	488.9	488.7	465.1	5.5	5.8	5.8	5.6
West South Central	15,752.4	16,067.1	16,070.7	16,087.4	957.3	1,026.3	1,042.5	1,037.6	6.1	6.4	6.5	6.4
Midwest	34,076.0	34,513.3	34,592.5	34,493.0	1,873.4	1,981.8	2,032.5	2,005.4	5.5	5.7	5.9	5.8
East North Central	23,360.3	23,730.3	23,793.2	23,725.9	1,378.9	1,474.4	1,515.6	1,503.4	5.9	6.2	6.4	6.3
West North Central	10,715.7	10,783.0	10,799.3	10,767.1	494.5	507.4	516.9	502.0	4.6	4.7	4.8	4.7
West	32,977.2	33,361.2	33,393.0	33,306.4	2,125.4	2,193.0	2,182.0	2,141.3	6.4	6.6	6.5	6.4
Mountain	9,732.4	9,803.5	9,815.9	9,838.3	555.4	543.8	554.4	550.1	5.7	5.5	5.6	5.6
Pacific	23,244.8	23,557.7	23,577.1	23,468.1	1,570.1	1,649.2	1,627.6	1,591.2	6.8	7.0	6.9	6.8

¹ These estimates are obtained by summing the state estimates.
^P = preliminary.

NOTE: The States (including the District of Columbia) that compose the various census divisions are: New England: Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, and Vermont; Middle Atlantic: New Jersey, New York, and Pennsylvania; South Atlantic: Delaware, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Maryland, North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia, and West Virginia; East South Central:

Alabama, Kentucky, Mississippi, and Tennessee; West South Central: Arkansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, and Texas; East North Central: Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio, and Wisconsin; West North Central: Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, and South Dakota; Mountain: Arizona, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Utah, and Wyoming; and Pacific: Alaska, California, Hawaii, Oregon, and Washington. All estimates are provisional and will be revised when new benchmark and population information becomes available.

Table 2. Civilian labor force and unemployment by census regions and divisions, not seasonally adjusted¹

(Numbers in thousands)

Census region and division	Civilian labor force				Unemployed							
					Number				Percent of labor force			
	July		August		July		August		July		August	
	2002	2003	2002	2003 ^P	2002	2003	2002	2003 ^P	2002	2003	2002	2003 ^P
Northeast	28,104.1	28,075.1	27,937.4	27,869.8	1,620.5	1,637.6	1,539.4	1,531.4	5.8	5.8	5.5	5.5
New England	7,717.2	7,721.5	7,685.5	7,679.2	379.5	400.1	369.7	388.7	4.9	5.2	4.8	5.1
Middle Atlantic	20,386.9	20,353.6	20,252.0	20,190.6	1,241.1	1,237.5	1,169.7	1,142.8	6.1	6.1	5.8	5.7
South	51,401.3	52,081.0	51,087.7	51,642.6	3,016.2	3,159.1	2,874.9	2,928.9	5.9	6.1	5.6	5.7
South Atlantic	27,069.7	27,312.7	26,938.4	27,102.7	1,498.0	1,524.9	1,448.2	1,414.6	5.5	5.6	5.4	5.2
East South Central	8,386.5	8,478.4	8,321.4	8,380.6	490.1	510.4	458.5	463.5	5.8	6.0	5.5	5.5
West South Central	15,945.1	16,289.9	15,827.9	16,159.2	1,028.1	1,123.8	968.3	1,050.8	6.4	6.9	6.1	6.5
Midwest	34,674.6	35,178.6	34,310.9	34,721.0	1,964.1	2,108.8	1,787.2	1,920.2	5.7	6.0	5.2	5.5
East North Central	23,805.0	24,213.8	23,552.2	23,911.2	1,465.1	1,592.6	1,314.4	1,437.8	6.2	6.6	5.6	6.0
West North Central	10,869.6	10,964.7	10,758.7	10,809.7	499.1	516.2	472.8	482.4	4.6	4.7	4.4	4.5
West	33,348.9	33,748.1	33,208.8	33,528.7	2,228.8	2,257.9	2,091.7	2,105.4	6.7	6.7	6.3	6.3
Mountain	9,840.7	9,923.3	9,808.6	9,913.1	579.8	569.7	556.8	549.9	5.9	5.7	5.7	5.5
Pacific	23,508.3	23,824.7	23,400.2	23,615.6	1,649.0	1,688.3	1,534.9	1,555.5	7.0	7.1	6.6	6.6

¹ These estimates are obtained by summing the state estimates. The composition of the regions and divisions is described in table 1.
^P = preliminary.

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Table 3. Civilian labor force and unemployment by state and selected areas, seasonally adjusted

(Numbers in thousands)

State and Area	Civilian labor force				Unemployed							
					Number				Percent of labor force			
	Aug. 2002	June 2003	July 2003	Aug. 2003P	Aug. 2002	June 2003	July 2003	Aug. 2003P	Aug. 2002	June 2003	July 2003	Aug. 2003P
Alabama	2,099.3	2,152.7	2,155.2	2,141.5	123.6	121.9	121.8	122.2	5.9	5.7	5.7	5.7
Alaska	324.0	344.9	345.0	345.1	26.6	27.2	27.1	27.5	8.2	7.9	7.9	8.0
Arizona	2,690.6	2,666.4	2,673.8	2,685.7	166.6	156.6	162.9	161.5	6.2	5.9	6.1	6.0
Arkansas	1,291.4	1,303.9	1,303.6	1,304.2	69.6	72.9	71.2	70.7	5.4	5.6	5.5	5.4
California	17,394.6	17,651.8	17,661.1	17,569.6	1,164.3	1,198.8	1,189.3	1,157.5	6.7	6.8	6.7	6.6
Los Angeles-Long Beach	4,688.8	4,819.7	4,806.5	4,764.1	312.9	336.1	335.3	318.4	6.7	7.0	7.0	6.7
Colorado	2,444.2	2,469.7	2,478.2	2,483.2	140.2	142.1	141.5	141.3	5.7	5.8	5.7	5.7
Connecticut	1,777.5	1,781.4	1,786.5	1,781.8	78.5	87.5	92.5	89.7	4.4	4.9	5.2	5.0
Delaware	421.3	419.4	419.4	419.9	18.0	15.9	17.3	19.1	4.3	3.8	4.1	4.6
District of Columbia	302.3	310.1	309.7	310.5	18.9	20.9	20.0	22.5	6.3	6.7	6.5	7.2
Florida	8,120.2	8,062.9	8,073.6	8,070.7	443.8	436.7	435.5	426.2	5.5	5.4	5.4	5.3
Georgia	4,304.0	4,387.1	4,385.7	4,391.9	223.7	213.7	219.3	203.7	5.2	4.9	5.0	4.6
Hawaii	580.5	605.3	609.0	607.6	23.0	24.6	24.6	26.1	4.0	4.1	4.0	4.3
Idaho	683.6	690.2	688.9	685.5	39.2	35.7	38.3	38.9	5.7	5.2	5.6	5.7
Illinois	6,360.6	6,404.5	6,433.7	6,435.5	415.4	407.8	416.9	438.7	6.5	6.4	6.5	6.8
Indiana	3,187.1	3,204.2	3,225.4	3,227.2	163.1	151.5	173.0	168.5	5.1	4.7	5.4	5.2
Iowa	1,673.0	1,642.1	1,644.3	1,623.5	69.6	69.7	75.1	73.8	4.2	4.2	4.6	4.5
Kansas	1,418.9	1,474.2	1,478.9	1,476.5	73.0	73.8	74.9	69.3	5.1	5.0	5.1	4.7
Kentucky	1,963.5	1,986.8	1,998.2	1,987.9	107.9	117.4	122.7	113.9	5.5	5.9	6.1	5.7
Louisiana	1,999.5	2,044.7	2,040.9	2,028.4	123.0	139.0	151.2	146.6	6.2	6.8	7.4	7.2
Maine	686.6	690.8	692.8	693.9	30.2	30.8	34.1	33.2	4.4	4.5	4.9	4.8
Maryland	2,901.1	2,923.3	2,934.2	2,917.2	125.4	126.9	134.6	122.2	4.3	4.3	4.6	4.2
Massachusetts	3,500.5	3,448.6	3,448.8	3,456.5	194.6	194.2	187.7	199.7	5.6	5.6	5.4	5.8
Michigan	4,974.9	5,130.4	5,133.6	5,097.5	305.3	369.9	380.3	375.9	6.1	7.2	7.4	7.4
Minnesota	2,919.5	2,926.9	2,940.5	2,926.6	127.4	131.0	135.8	126.8	4.4	4.5	4.6	4.3
Mississippi	1,292.4	1,330.8	1,336.3	1,321.0	86.3	94.1	97.7	83.3	6.7	7.1	7.3	6.3
Missouri	2,978.4	2,986.3	2,978.0	2,978.9	164.0	169.5	166.2	167.0	5.5	5.7	5.6	5.6
Montana	462.7	477.4	477.6	479.6	20.3	22.2	22.6	22.6	4.4	4.7	4.7	4.7
Nebraska	958.1	983.6	984.0	985.5	34.1	38.5	38.0	37.5	3.6	3.9	3.9	3.8
Nevada	1,123.2	1,115.7	1,112.9	1,111.3	59.1	58.9	59.9	58.1	5.3	5.3	5.4	5.2
New Hampshire	706.9	714.2	719.1	717.8	34.4	28.1	31.0	31.8	4.9	3.9	4.3	4.4
New Jersey	4,366.5	4,415.0	4,441.8	4,430.9	261.0	254.6	271.9	260.1	6.0	5.8	6.1	5.9
New Mexico	879.8	900.9	902.5	899.7	48.2	53.5	55.2	54.5	5.5	5.9	6.1	6.1
New York	9,392.8	9,377.5	9,372.7	9,377.3	571.5	574.8	575.3	579.9	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.2
New York City	3,763.6	3,672.2	3,670.0	3,679.0	295.9	296.6	296.2	299.1	7.9	8.1	8.1	8.1
North Carolina	4,156.5	4,147.5	4,183.4	4,152.2	273.0	275.4	278.3	270.2	6.6	6.6	6.7	6.5
North Dakota	345.4	348.3	350.7	353.0	14.1	11.8	12.7	13.4	4.1	3.4	3.6	3.8
Ohio	5,814.0	5,890.2	5,900.9	5,864.9	328.1	372.2	370.7	338.3	5.6	6.3	6.3	5.8
Oklahoma	1,690.8	1,723.9	1,715.2	1,709.3	75.5	100.0	96.6	91.9	4.5	5.8	5.6	5.4
Oregon	1,835.8	1,852.4	1,848.7	1,834.5	131.7	157.9	151.8	146.6	7.2	8.5	8.2	8.0
Pennsylvania	6,297.1	6,175.8	6,196.2	6,187.2	356.7	353.1	348.5	321.5	5.7	5.7	5.6	5.2
Rhode Island	559.2	574.4	573.8	569.9	28.7	33.0	32.3	30.2	5.1	5.7	5.6	5.3
South Carolina	1,972.2	2,030.9	2,034.1	2,020.8	114.9	134.7	143.0	125.6	5.8	6.6	7.0	6.2
South Dakota	422.3	421.7	422.9	423.2	12.3	13.1	14.2	14.3	2.9	3.1	3.3	3.4
Tennessee	2,929.0	2,910.7	2,902.7	2,896.6	141.4	155.5	146.5	145.6	4.8	5.3	5.0	5.0
Texas	10,770.7	10,994.6	11,011.0	11,045.4	689.3	714.4	723.5	728.4	6.4	6.5	6.6	6.6
Utah	1,178.9	1,206.8	1,205.9	1,217.7	70.7	63.1	63.0	62.0	6.0	5.2	5.2	5.1
Vermont	349.6	353.2	354.4	353.7	13.3	14.5	14.6	14.0	3.8	4.1	4.1	4.0
Virginia	3,737.2	3,790.0	3,799.5	3,786.0	149.3	145.4	152.3	139.5	4.0	3.8	4.0	3.7
Washington	3,109.9	3,103.4	3,113.3	3,111.2	224.5	240.8	234.8	233.5	7.2	7.8	7.5	7.5
West Virginia	800.2	802.8	808.2	806.2	49.7	50.7	54.6	53.2	6.2	6.3	6.8	6.6
Wisconsin	3,023.6	3,101.1	3,099.6	3,100.8	167.1	173.0	174.6	182.0	5.5	5.6	5.6	5.9
Wyoming	269.4	276.4	276.0	275.7	11.1	11.7	11.3	11.2	4.1	4.2	4.1	4.1
Puerto Rico	1,365.3	1,407.6	1,402.4	1,383.2	166.8	175.8	169.4	155.2	12.2	12.5	12.1	11.2

P = preliminary.

NOTE: Data refer to place of residence. Data for Puerto Rico are derived from a monthly household survey similar to the Current Population

Survey. All estimates are provisional and will be revised when new benchmark and population information becomes available.

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Table 4. Civilian labor force and unemployment by state and selected areas, not seasonally adjusted

(Numbers in thousands)

State and Area	Civilian labor force				Unemployed							
					Number				Percent of labor force			
	July		August		July		August		July		August	
	2002	2003	2002	2003 ^P	2002	2003	2002	2003 ^P	2002	2003	2002	2003 ^P
Alabama	2,106.9	2,160.1	2,103.1	2,143.7	129.5	126.0	129.0	127.4	6.1	5.8	6.1	5.9
Alaska	335.1	357.7	330.8	352.2	23.3	24.5	22.6	23.7	6.9	6.9	6.8	6.7
Arizona	2,698.1	2,684.9	2,700.8	2,697.6	182.3	176.5	178.3	173.4	6.8	6.6	6.6	6.4
Arkansas	1,315.4	1,330.0	1,301.6	1,313.9	77.5	79.6	66.8	67.8	5.9	6.0	5.1	5.2
California	17,571.0	17,815.3	17,520.9	17,687.8	1,241.3	1,254.5	1,151.5	1,143.1	7.1	7.0	6.6	6.5
Los Angeles-Long Beach	4,744.3	4,843.1	4,706.9	4,783.1	360.6	369.7	329.7	334.3	7.6	7.6	7.0	7.0
Colorado	2,467.6	2,505.9	2,475.3	2,513.7	140.5	141.7	137.5	138.1	5.7	5.7	5.6	5.5
Connecticut	1,818.1	1,829.9	1,805.8	1,809.2	84.1	98.6	79.2	90.0	4.6	5.4	4.4	5.0
Delaware	428.1	425.2	425.1	423.7	18.0	17.4	18.6	19.7	4.2	4.1	4.4	4.7
District of Columbia	313.8	320.7	306.5	315.1	21.3	22.3	19.4	23.0	6.8	7.0	6.3	7.3
Florida	8,202.4	8,167.4	8,214.2	8,167.6	465.5	452.9	465.5	446.7	5.7	5.5	5.7	5.5
Georgia	4,313.3	4,402.3	4,287.6	4,377.0	235.3	231.7	223.7	205.6	5.5	5.3	5.2	4.7
Hawaii	585.8	614.4	580.8	607.8	25.8	26.5	23.7	26.9	4.4	4.3	4.1	4.4
Idaho	696.8	700.4	693.2	694.7	35.8	34.5	35.2	35.0	5.1	4.9	5.1	5.0
Illinois	6,468.0	6,534.2	6,391.7	6,463.6	437.2	433.2	408.8	430.8	6.8	6.6	6.4	6.7
Indiana	3,236.1	3,274.8	3,199.7	3,244.1	167.5	177.4	156.1	161.1	5.2	5.4	4.9	5.0
Iowa	1,686.3	1,658.2	1,679.0	1,629.3	61.5	67.4	67.2	67.2	3.6	4.1	3.7	4.1
Kansas	1,441.6	1,502.9	1,418.3	1,474.1	74.7	75.0	70.5	67.0	5.2	5.0	5.0	4.5
Kentucky	1,998.5	2,032.2	1,974.9	1,997.6	111.1	125.9	98.5	103.8	5.6	6.2	5.0	5.2
Louisiana	2,039.2	2,077.3	2,014.1	2,039.5	127.4	157.3	122.9	147.4	6.2	7.6	6.1	7.2
Maine	707.7	713.1	702.6	709.4	25.7	29.4	24.7	27.5	3.6	4.1	3.5	3.9
Maryland	2,960.8	2,994.8	2,928.5	2,943.0	129.9	138.9	125.4	122.1	4.4	4.6	4.3	4.1
Massachusetts	3,553.9	3,507.0	3,544.3	3,502.5	198.6	197.0	191.2	196.9	5.6	5.6	5.4	5.6
Michigan	5,072.6	5,220.4	5,017.2	5,136.2	347.1	419.6	281.8	353.3	6.8	8.0	5.6	6.9
Minnesota	2,964.7	2,982.5	2,945.1	2,952.2	124.6	130.8	117.5	116.5	4.2	4.4	4.0	3.9
Mississippi	1,311.8	1,349.0	1,290.2	1,317.4	88.9	99.1	86.2	83.5	6.8	7.3	6.7	6.3
Missouri	3,010.9	3,022.3	2,972.7	2,975.0	175.2	175.8	166.0	171.2	5.8	5.8	5.6	5.8
Montana	475.8	489.9	470.1	486.8	19.2	20.4	16.2	18.6	4.0	4.2	3.4	3.8
Nebraska	975.8	1,001.8	959.4	986.5	37.5	41.5	31.8	35.2	3.8	4.1	3.3	3.6
Nevada	1,141.2	1,126.7	1,126.3	1,114.2	62.9	60.9	57.1	55.7	5.5	5.4	5.1	5.0
New Hampshire	720.1	732.7	715.8	726.6	31.8	29.6	33.9	31.5	4.4	4.0	4.7	4.3
New Jersey	4,436.2	4,510.4	4,391.5	4,454.2	285.4	294.3	260.8	260.1	6.4	6.5	5.9	5.8
New Mexico	888.1	910.8	878.6	898.4	52.4	58.8	47.8	54.0	5.9	6.5	5.4	6.0
New York	9,551.3	9,543.7	9,492.9	9,480.5	588.5	585.7	557.2	567.8	6.2	6.1	5.9	6.0
New York City	3,811.2	3,717.1	3,781.7	3,698.7	306.4	301.4	296.0	299.0	8.0	8.1	7.8	8.1
North Carolina	4,218.2	4,233.3	4,191.2	4,186.4	295.4	293.1	270.7	269.4	7.0	6.9	6.5	6.4
North Dakota	355.6	361.3	354.3	361.7	13.4	12.0	13.2	12.6	3.8	3.3	3.7	3.5
Ohio	5,936.7	6,016.4	5,888.2	5,938.0	348.8	386.7	312.9	322.9	5.9	6.4	5.3	5.4
Oklahoma	1,698.7	1,733.1	1,690.0	1,709.8	74.6	96.8	70.6	87.5	4.4	5.6	4.2	5.1
Oregon	1,855.8	1,870.6	1,859.3	1,858.3	132.0	148.0	124.5	138.7	7.1	7.9	6.7	7.5
Pennsylvania	6,399.3	6,299.5	6,367.6	6,256.0	367.2	357.4	351.7	314.9	5.7	5.7	5.5	5.0
Rhode Island	564.9	581.2	565.2	575.8	27.3	32.1	28.7	30.2	4.8	5.5	5.1	5.2
South Carolina	2,008.6	2,075.4	1,997.5	2,047.4	123.6	153.7	120.5	131.3	6.2	7.4	6.0	6.4
South Dakota	434.7	435.8	429.9	430.9	12.1	13.7	10.9	12.7	2.8	3.1	2.5	2.9
Tennessee	2,969.3	2,937.2	2,953.1	2,921.8	160.6	159.4	144.8	148.9	5.4	5.4	4.9	5.1
Texas	10,891.8	11,149.6	10,822.2	11,096.1	748.5	790.1	708.0	748.1	6.9	7.1	6.5	6.7
Utah	1,197.1	1,222.5	1,191.2	1,228.3	76.9	67.0	75.4	65.6	6.4	5.5	6.3	5.3
Vermont	352.6	357.6	351.8	355.7	12.1	13.4	11.9	12.6	3.4	3.7	3.4	3.5
Virginia	3,809.9	3,872.9	3,780.5	3,829.1	158.4	160.1	157.7	146.2	4.2	4.1	4.2	3.8
Washington	3,160.6	3,166.7	3,108.5	3,109.4	226.6	234.7	212.6	223.1	7.2	7.4	6.8	7.2
West Virginia	814.7	820.7	807.2	813.5	50.5	54.8	46.7	50.5	6.2	6.7	5.8	6.2
Wisconsin	3,091.6	3,168.0	3,055.4	3,129.4	164.5	175.7	154.9	169.7	5.3	5.5	5.1	5.4
Wyoming	276.0	282.3	273.0	279.3	9.6	9.8	9.2	9.4	3.5	3.5	3.4	3.4
Puerto Rico	1,351.8	1,398.1	1,359.7	1,378.5	174.0	173.0	178.7	168.4	12.9	12.4	13.1	12.2

^P = preliminary.

NOTE: Data refer to place of residence. Data for Puerto Rico are derived from a monthly household survey similar to the Current

Population Survey. All estimates are provisional and will be revised when new benchmark and population information becomes available.

Table 5. Employees on nonfarm payrolls by state and selected industry sector, seasonally adjusted

(In thousands)

State	Total ¹				Construction				Manufacturing			
	Aug. 2002	June 2003	July 2003	Aug. 2003P	Aug. 2002	June 2003	July 2003	Aug. 2003P	Aug. 2002	June 2003	July 2003	Aug. 2003P
Alabama	1,888.3	1,873.3	1,872.7	1,872.2	100.1	101.1	101.7	101.9	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Alaska	296.3	298.1	298.8	299.4	16.0	16.5	16.5	16.2	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Arizona	2,276.6	2,283.7	2,287.0	2,292.9	172.3	176.7	177.3	176.9	182.1	174.8	175.0	175.2
Arkansas	1,146.8	1,150.1	1,151.2	1,149.4	55.2	53.9	54.1	54.3	212.8	208.2	207.1	206.8
California	14,479.3	14,453.5	14,443.5	14,441.6	771.9	787.3	786.3	785.2	1,629.6	1,584.9	1,577.4	1,573.7
Colorado	2,185.5	2,173.7	2,169.4	2,164.1	160.3	153.1	151.1	151.3	165.7	155.4	154.7	153.0
Connecticut	1,664.5	1,653.0	1,641.4	1,644.9	62.2	59.5	59.1	58.6	212.1	203.5	202.1	201.9
Delaware ³	410.0	409.8	409.1	408.2	24.2	24.2	24.0	24.1	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
District of Columbia ³	665.2	658.7	661.0	658.2	12.6	12.0	12.0	12.1	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Florida ³	7,217.3	7,291.6	7,299.6	7,307.7	435.1	448.1	450.0	453.7	407.7	390.4	390.2	390.2
Georgia	3,906.5	3,919.6	3,934.1	3,957.4	196.3	210.2	213.4	212.5	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Hawaii ³	556.5	566.4	570.1	569.7	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Idaho	568.7	569.2	569.8	574.2	36.5	37.2	37.4	37.4	64.7	60.8	60.4	61.1
Illinois	5,902.7	5,829.8	5,842.3	5,845.5	276.0	270.8	267.9	271.1	752.2	733.0	729.3	728.5
Indiana	2,898.8	2,857.1	2,852.4	2,870.0	140.5	135.2	136.7	139.6	590.7	577.3	567.1	576.5
Iowa	1,439.1	1,445.2	1,440.3	1,441.9	63.6	63.3	62.8	62.9	223.7	221.9	220.3	220.9
Kansas	1,339.1	1,335.0	1,332.9	1,329.3	62.6	63.8	64.4	64.1	182.5	176.7	175.6	175.9
Kentucky	1,784.3	1,770.9	1,761.2	1,768.8	82.7	80.5	79.4	80.7	274.1	268.3	269.4	269.4
Louisiana	1,901.1	1,898.5	1,894.1	1,894.0	117.6	121.1	121.1	122.4	160.4	157.2	156.9	155.1
Maine	607.8	605.3	604.9	604.6	29.4	28.7	29.1	28.7	67.1	63.1	63.4	62.6
Maryland ³	2,470.0	2,496.3	2,481.9	2,499.6	166.5	167.0	166.8	167.4	155.6	153.2	152.0	152.6
Massachusetts	3,259.9	3,222.1	3,222.3	3,214.1	139.8	131.4	131.9	131.6	343.5	331.0	330.1	330.2
Michigan	4,490.0	4,448.8	4,424.0	4,393.2	203.4	202.8	201.2	199.4	755.3	743.3	736.1	731.8
Minnesota	2,653.0	2,633.1	2,636.0	2,640.6	123.7	127.7	127.5	127.2	352.6	343.2	344.6	344.6
Mississippi	1,130.6	1,123.4	1,123.7	1,121.6	53.9	54.6	55.4	54.8	187.6	179.7	179.0	175.2
Missouri	2,674.7	2,674.5	2,634.0	2,638.4	134.7	133.3	134.2	136.5	322.5	314.9	315.9	315.5
Montana	395.2	400.7	398.1	397.1	21.9	22.2	22.1	22.1	19.9	19.1	18.5	18.3
Nebraska	905.6	906.2	903.1	902.8	44.5	44.6	44.4	45.1	105.9	104.9	103.9	103.9
Nevada	1,059.2	1,070.3	1,076.0	1,081.6	93.9	95.1	96.1	97.8	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
New Hampshire	617.4	617.8	619.0	617.7	27.3	26.6	26.8	26.8	84.9	82.3	82.7	82.0
New Jersey	3,981.3	4,015.4	4,016.9	4,005.1	162.4	166.5	167.1	167.6	366.3	356.7	357.0	354.0
New Mexico	767.1	779.1	780.1	780.9	44.9	47.1	47.5	47.4	38.4	37.1	36.8	36.2
New York	8,432.8	8,389.5	8,411.2	8,391.3	320.7	328.9	326.5	327.7	647.6	620.1	618.0	611.9
North Carolina	3,844.8	3,841.7	3,837.4	3,815.0	218.4	217.4	218.2	216.5	636.3	613.0	608.6	605.2
North Dakota	329.6	333.2	328.6	330.0	15.1	14.8	14.7	14.8	24.9	24.3	24.4	24.2
Ohio	5,472.2	5,408.5	5,414.3	5,408.5	237.3	231.4	231.4	234.3	882.7	861.5	853.9	853.9
Oklahoma	1,473.4	1,477.7	1,474.9	1,469.0	64.2	65.6	66.0	65.9	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Oregon	1,581.4	1,559.8	1,555.6	1,556.5	79.5	76.9	77.0	75.5	200.4	194.8	193.2	193.6
Pennsylvania	5,658.8	5,644.7	5,628.8	5,632.4	248.7	250.0	248.2	248.9	759.6	730.8	727.4	724.3
Rhode Island	479.5	479.9	483.5	481.5	19.3	20.3	20.6	20.5	61.9	59.9	60.6	59.7
South Carolina	1,812.3	1,779.7	1,769.8	1,774.1	111.9	108.6	109.2	109.5	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
South Dakota	379.1	380.9	381.8	384.8	18.4	18.7	18.8	19.0	38.5	38.6	38.1	38.3
Tennessee	2,678.2	2,672.2	2,672.9	2,677.4	114.4	109.5	109.4	109.7	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Texas	9,418.8	9,437.2	9,425.5	9,454.0	568.3	577.2	577.5	580.9	944.1	915.9	910.0	907.7
Utah	1,070.6	1,068.7	1,068.6	1,067.2	66.7	67.9	67.7	67.1	113.0	111.6	111.4	110.7
Vermont	299.0	304.9	304.0	304.7	14.5	14.8	15.0	14.8	39.5	38.5	38.5	38.6
Virginia	3,493.1	3,514.0	3,499.4	3,500.7	214.3	210.2	210.2	212.1	318.6	309.3	305.9	307.1
Washington	2,660.4	2,659.7	2,658.7	2,657.5	156.8	158.0	157.5	159.2	283.5	265.1	265.3	262.3
West Virginia	732.9	731.4	726.5	731.7	33.6	33.3	33.0	33.3	68.5	65.7	65.7	65.9
Wisconsin	2,790.8	2,799.1	2,799.0	2,790.9	124.3	115.9	114.8	115.7	528.8	514.4	512.7	513.8
Wyoming	247.3	249.0	249.6	248.4	19.9	19.6	19.9	19.8	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 5. Employees on nonfarm payrolls by state and selected industry sector, seasonally adjusted—Continued

(In thousands)

State	Trade, transportation, and utilities				Financial activities				Professional and business services			
	Aug. 2002	June 2003	July 2003	Aug. 2003P	Aug. 2002	June 2003	July 2003	Aug. 2003P	Aug. 2002	June 2003	July 2003	Aug. 2003P
Alabama	371.7	373.0	373.9	377.2	97.7	97.2	97.3	97.0	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Alaska	60.9	60.7	60.7	61.0	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	24.2	23.6	24.2	24.5
Arizona	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	153.9	153.8	155.2	154.1	318.5	317.1	320.8	320.0
Arkansas	241.5	242.8	243.5	243.4	50.1	50.1	50.2	50.1	100.9	101.1	101.9	100.5
California	2,737.7	2,726.5	2,727.2	2,725.7	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	2,118.6	2,106.3	2,103.2	2,110.8
Colorado	412.9	407.0	405.3	406.9	147.4	152.6	152.0	152.4	289.9	290.4	292.1	290.3
Connecticut	310.1	318.7	313.1	309.3	143.4	143.1	142.5	142.4	201.7	200.3	198.3	198.7
Delaware ³	76.0	75.9	76.4	76.4	37.9	37.8	38.0	38.1	67.1	67.9	68.3	68.3
District of Columbia ³	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	140.2	140.5	140.7	140.9
Florida ³	1,475.7	1,466.7	1,470.1	1,467.0	476.7	483.0	484.1	484.2	1,222.1	1,248.0	1,253.8	1,258.9
Georgia	832.1	834.4	836.8	834.5	211.6	213.3	211.9	212.1	516.6	551.5	555.8	555.0
Hawaii ³	107.1	109.4	109.1	109.3	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Idaho	116.1	115.4	115.7	116.2	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	69.7	71.5	71.9	73.8
Illinois	1,199.0	1,190.4	1,190.3	1,191.6	399.9	398.0	396.8	397.4	796.5	781.9	787.3	792.3
Indiana	581.4	575.0	573.7	573.0	139.0	139.4	139.0	139.8	251.6	239.6	240.0	239.7
Iowa	305.3	303.0	302.1	302.1	94.0	92.6	93.2	93.3	105.9	107.9	109.8	110.5
Kansas	267.0	269.9	269.5	269.4	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Kentucky	370.8	365.1	366.5	365.9	84.6	85.1	85.1	84.1	156.6	155.0	155.3	154.3
Louisiana	384.2	386.3	383.7	382.4	99.8	97.6	98.8	99.4	181.4	174.2	174.2	174.2
Maine	125.1	122.8	124.3	124.8	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	51.8	51.7	51.5	51.3
Maryland ³	460.5	462.6	459.6	460.8	150.3	150.6	150.4	150.1	361.7	363.8	363.7	363.4
Massachusetts	571.6	581.2	574.1	569.7	230.0	230.3	231.0	231.8	456.3	440.4	440.9	441.0
Michigan	839.5	833.5	830.8	827.8	216.3	221.7	221.0	220.2	603.3	578.2	583.1	579.9
Minnesota	522.0	521.6	520.1	520.3	170.6	167.3	166.7	166.2	299.1	291.3	293.3	293.6
Mississippi	222.8	225.5	226.7	227.1	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Missouri	543.1	530.6	524.2	526.1	159.0	157.5	157.1	156.0	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Montana	84.7	84.1	84.9	84.8	19.2	19.8	19.8	20.0	32.1	32.1	32.1	32.5
Nebraska	195.0	196.9	195.2	195.0	61.6	63.8	63.8	63.9	91.5	90.4	90.1	91.0
Nevada	190.2	191.5	191.7	193.5	56.1	57.2	58.5	57.4	115.7	114.9	117.5	118.3
New Hampshire	139.4	139.2	138.0	137.5	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
New Jersey	872.8	886.9	883.3	875.1	275.4	277.6	277.3	277.5	588.4	589.0	586.8	588.0
New Mexico	135.9	136.2	136.3	137.3	33.9	34.2	34.3	34.2	89.1	90.0	89.8	90.0
New York	1,477.2	1,476.1	1,473.5	1,470.3	704.1	699.2	697.6	696.5	1,045.5	1,036.5	1,040.2	1,037.7
North Carolina	715.2	722.7	719.1	718.7	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	422.7	422.8	422.2	425.6
North Dakota	71.6	71.6	71.3	71.4	17.8	18.2	18.0	18.2	24.1	24.0	23.8	24.0
Ohio	1,062.2	1,047.3	1,047.0	1,047.2	306.6	309.6	308.1	307.2	619.7	610.9	611.1	608.2
Oklahoma	284.6	286.9	285.6	282.8	83.5	85.0	85.1	84.4	159.7	155.8	159.2	159.5
Oregon	315.7	312.3	310.5	311.4	90.7	92.5	91.7	92.0	177.0	175.1	174.5	174.5
Pennsylvania	1,116.9	1,095.4	1,090.3	1,086.0	335.2	337.9	337.3	336.7	604.5	599.9	601.3	605.1
Rhode Island	81.0	83.3	83.3	83.2	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	48.9	48.2	49.6	48.9
South Carolina	346.3	346.3	345.3	343.7	90.7	90.2	90.7	90.9	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
South Dakota	76.8	76.6	77.1	77.9	27.9	27.4	27.0	27.5	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Tennessee	577.0	573.6	577.5	576.2	139.1	139.5	141.1	139.4	312.3	312.4	314.6	314.4
Texas	1,960.5	1,936.2	1,938.4	1,939.2	581.2	587.0	587.1	587.5	1,056.1	1,052.1	1,051.2	1,053.2
Utah	216.8	215.0	214.6	214.1	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	131.7	129.3	128.3	128.3
Vermont	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	20.3	21.0	21.2	20.9
Virginia	637.7	636.4	638.3	636.6	182.1	183.1	184.6	184.0	546.7	551.5	551.8	550.4
Washington	511.0	506.9	507.1	507.1	145.7	148.0	148.0	147.8	293.0	292.8	292.8	293.8
West Virginia	136.0	135.3	135.0	134.6	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	57.6	59.6	59.1	58.6
Wisconsin	536.6	544.0	546.7	544.7	153.4	158.3	158.6	158.6	239.7	245.5	247.7	245.5
Wyoming	48.2	48.2	48.3	48.3	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	15.6	15.8	15.4	15.6

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 5. Employees on nonfarm payrolls by state and selected industry sector, seasonally adjusted—Continued

(In thousands)

State	Education and health services				Leisure and hospitality				Government			
	Aug. 2002	June 2003	July 2003	Aug. 2003P	Aug. 2002	June 2003	July 2003	Aug. 2003P	Aug. 2002	June 2003	July 2003	Aug. 2003P
Alabama	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	152.3	151.3	148.7	149.6	355.2	357.9	353.3	355.8
Alaska	30.8	32.2	32.1	32.6	28.9	30.0	29.9	29.6	81.2	82.3	82.7	82.5
Arizona	235.9	245.2	245.8	247.6	229.8	231.5	232.3	230.6	394.4	392.1	387.2	397.1
Arkansas	136.2	139.3	139.4	140.4	87.9	91.1	91.4	90.7	193.8	195.4	195.8	195.5
California	1,503.8	1,524.6	1,524.9	1,529.8	1,380.6	1,411.3	1,413.2	1,416.5	2,456.1	2,447.5	2,445.4	2,438.4
Colorado	210.1	212.4	214.9	213.0	247.4	256.6	254.0	253.2	360.2	357.5	357.5	357.3
Connecticut	253.2	260.4	258.7	257.3	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	251.2	244.4	241.2	245.9
Delaware ³	49.6	49.6	50.1	49.8	38.1	37.5	37.8	38.1	53.6	56.3	53.7	54.0
District of Columbia ³	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	48.5	48.4	48.8	49.5	232.6	229.5	230.1	225.0
Florida ³	865.9	874.7	875.5	877.5	809.0	822.2	822.8	826.3	1,038.6	1,072.1	1,069.9	1,068.6
Georgia	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	336.0	345.2	342.7	341.6	629.5	624.4	624.2	641.3
Hawaii ³	62.9	65.6	64.9	65.7	97.8	99.1	99.8	100.4	118.0	117.3	120.0	118.9
Idaho	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	53.4	54.5	55.4	55.6	111.6	111.9	110.6	111.3
Illinois	713.8	716.9	719.2	717.5	497.5	490.1	492.2	494.5	858.2	853.2	854.3	850.3
Indiana	347.5	349.0	351.3	350.4	271.1	266.2	267.7	269.7	418.3	416.9	417.7	422.6
Iowa	187.6	194.3	195.1	195.4	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	242.4	245.2	243.7	243.5
Kansas	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	109.6	108.8	108.4	107.1	253.0	249.4	248.7	247.0
Kentucky	222.3	225.9	225.7	224.9	153.2	152.1	153.2	153.0	313.3	315.0	302.1	311.2
Louisiana	237.1	240.2	236.9	235.0	196.0	196.3	196.7	197.9	376.4	377.2	378.0	380.0
Maine	105.0	107.0	107.2	107.2	57.5	56.6	57.6	57.3	103.0	104.6	103.9	103.5
Maryland ³	330.4	342.2	339.6	341.5	216.3	225.0	227.6	228.7	461.8	461.3	451.2	465.3
Massachusetts	568.5	574.6	573.9	574.5	298.8	292.9	298.9	298.7	429.4	425.1	423.0	419.5
Michigan	537.3	541.0	537.4	534.5	395.7	392.6	395.9	387.0	678.7	673.9	658.3	655.6
Minnesota	357.8	363.6	365.0	364.4	232.4	229.8	230.1	232.2	403.8	398.1	398.5	402.3
Mississippi	110.9	110.0	109.6	109.8	124.6	122.6	121.9	121.7	244.2	243.1	243.9	243.7
Missouri	340.5	355.7	353.9	355.2	260.8	265.5	271.0	270.4	416.6	426.9	389.3	391.8
Montana	51.9	53.4	52.8	53.2	50.7	51.3	51.3	50.8	84.5	88.0	86.4	86.0
Nebraska	108.5	110.5	110.7	111.6	79.9	79.7	76.5	76.0	158.6	159.0	159.2	156.5
Nevada	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	300.4	301.0	303.7	304.5	131.2	136.5	134.7	135.6
New Hampshire	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	61.4	63.5	64.6	65.1	87.7	89.3	89.1	88.8
New Jersey	532.2	540.6	544.7	546.2	309.1	309.2	314.5	314.6	611.3	623.0	621.7	620.7
New Mexico	94.4	99.9	99.7	100.0	80.7	82.6	83.1	83.1	190.8	193.2	193.0	193.3
New York	1,465.9	1,479.0	1,481.9	1,480.4	641.8	645.9	648.1	647.8	1,486.2	1,466.8	1,485.3	1,480.8
North Carolina	419.7	426.2	425.4	432.6	324.0	322.7	323.9	326.3	646.9	659.4	661.9	628.7
North Dakota	47.2	47.7	48.0	47.6	30.9	30.8	31.1	31.3	71.7	75.1	70.6	71.8
Ohio	708.6	716.8	717.3	718.3	508.5	501.4	508.8	505.8	801.9	794.7	802.5	800.6
Oklahoma	173.7	172.5	171.1	171.1	128.4	130.7	129.6	132.1	290.5	294.1	290.1	287.0
Oregon	187.8	189.1	190.7	190.0	150.9	149.2	148.7	148.9	275.4	266.8	266.9	267.1
Pennsylvania	973.6	993.4	995.3	993.5	469.9	470.8	470.0	472.9	739.4	750.9	743.9	749.7
Rhode Island	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	49.2	47.8	47.9	48.5	66.5	66.6	66.5	66.0
South Carolina	172.1	175.4	174.5	175.9	179.3	177.5	176.3	176.8	335.0	325.6	317.1	326.1
South Dakota	54.2	55.4	55.5	55.7	39.8	42.0	42.5	43.1	74.7	74.3	74.8	75.0
Tennessee	299.2	306.8	306.9	307.8	242.1	242.9	242.9	244.5	409.2	412.8	411.4	413.3
Texas	1,091.3	1,125.7	1,128.2	1,135.3	849.3	851.3	855.9	859.8	1,625.0	1,654.6	1,640.6	1,648.9
Utah	114.9	114.3	113.6	113.8	98.7	98.5	99.1	98.6	196.8	196.5	197.7	199.1
Vermont	50.5	53.4	53.4	54.0	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	50.9	52.3	51.9	51.7
Virginia	358.0	371.1	361.4	362.3	306.0	315.3	320.4	320.5	637.4	646.3	639.2	641.7
Washington	307.5	314.6	315.0	315.8	246.2	247.2	246.8	248.5	516.4	524.0	521.4	518.3
West Virginia	107.2	108.0	108.3	107.8	64.8	65.2	65.8	66.6	142.2	140.9	136.8	142.0
Wisconsin	361.7	363.9	367.9	368.1	244.9	243.1	247.0	244.8	410.6	416.9	407.8	405.5
Wyoming	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	29.8	30.6	30.8	30.3	62.7	63.4	63.4	63.6

¹ Includes natural resources and mining, information, and other services, except public administration, not shown separately.

² This series is not published seasonally adjusted because the seasonal component, which is small relative to the trend-cycle and irregular components, cannot be separated with sufficient precision.

³ Natural resources and mining is combined with construction.
P = preliminary.

NOTE: Data are counts of jobs by place of work. Estimates are currently projected from March 2002 benchmark levels. Estimates subsequent to the current benchmark month are provisional and will be revised when new information becomes available.

Table 6. Employees on nonfarm payrolls by state and selected industry sector, not seasonally adjusted

(In thousands)

State	Total				Natural resources and mining				Construction				Manufacturing			
	July		August		July		August		July		August		July		August	
	2002	2003	2002	2003 ^P	2002	2003	2002	2003 ^P	2002	2003	2002	2003 ^P	2002	2003	2002	2003 ^P
Alabama	1,877.6	1,863.3	1,886.3	1,862.8	13.1	13.0	13.3	13.2	100.5	103.1	101.8	103.0	305.8	294.2	307.8	293.6
Alaska	317.0	319.4	317.6	319.8	11.4	10.3	11.3	10.2	19.1	19.6	19.7	20.2	18.3	17.9	16.9	16.8
Arizona	2,221.4	2,236.7	2,246.3	2,263.1	9.0	8.6	8.9	8.6	172.9	178.7	174.8	179.4	184.4	175.5	182.9	176.0
Arkansas	1,138.2	1,137.0	1,143.7	1,143.0	6.9	6.9	7.0	6.9	57.6	55.7	57.4	55.9	214.4	207.7	213.7	207.2
California	14,373.6	14,381.0	14,426.9	14,385.0	23.8	23.6	24.0	24.0	780.5	805.8	798.2	815.7	1,645.2	1,586.9	1,647.2	1,595.7
Colorado	2,191.9	2,172.2	2,199.7	2,166.6	13.3	13.9	13.3	14.0	167.8	159.6	168.4	158.6	167.0	154.7	166.7	153.2
Connecticut	1,659.5	1,639.8	1,655.5	1,636.7	.8	.7	.8	.7	66.5	62.8	66.4	62.8	212.4	201.5	211.9	201.7
Delaware	415.9	414.2	413.4	411.6	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	25.0	25.1	24.9	25.1	36.8	34.6	36.6	32.7
District of Columbia	673.2	670.3	669.1	662.8	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	12.7	12.2	13.1	12.5	3.1	2.8	3.1	2.8
Florida	7,106.0	7,189.8	7,195.5	7,286.0	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	438.0	452.1	437.1	455.7	406.0	388.6	406.2	388.6
Georgia	3,878.6	3,926.2	3,911.8	3,957.4	12.0	11.7	12.2	12.3	200.2	217.0	200.0	216.7	475.7	452.0	475.6	451.1
Hawaii	550.9	565.0	552.4	563.4	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	26.2	27.6	26.5	27.6	15.2	15.1	15.1	15.0
Idaho	574.2	574.5	575.6	577.8	4.3	3.7	4.3	3.7	40.0	40.5	40.2	41.1	65.6	61.5	65.6	61.7
Illinois	5,911.7	5,865.7	5,916.9	5,863.0	9.8	9.5	9.8	9.8	294.4	288.6	295.5	290.7	752.6	730.0	754.4	730.7
Indiana	2,876.1	2,821.3	2,881.0	2,852.1	7.2	7.3	7.2	7.4	154.3	146.6	149.2	148.4	593.0	568.8	594.4	580.0
Iowa	1,437.2	1,431.7	1,431.9	1,431.8	2.0	2.1	2.1	2.2	70.9	69.8	70.7	69.9	229.5	222.4	225.4	222.4
Kansas	1,324.8	1,320.1	1,323.6	1,315.8	6.6	6.7	6.5	6.8	67.0	68.3	66.6	67.4	181.2	176.8	182.6	176.6
Kentucky	1,767.3	1,752.7	1,788.1	1,767.9	20.1	19.9	20.0	20.1	85.7	83.8	86.6	84.4	272.7	268.1	275.2	269.4
Louisiana	1,886.7	1,882.3	1,893.3	1,879.0	48.9	46.7	49.1	47.3	118.4	121.3	119.2	123.1	160.8	157.2	161.6	156.1
Maine	617.2	614.0	615.9	612.5	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7	31.7	31.4	31.7	31.0	67.3	62.6	68.4	63.8
Maryland	2,451.0	2,464.3	2,459.6	2,463.9	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	171.2	171.1	171.7	172.0	156.5	152.8	156.5	153.1
Massachusetts	3,244.0	3,199.6	3,233.4	3,188.8	1.6	1.7	1.6	1.7	147.8	139.4	147.7	139.4	339.4	327.8	343.4	330.2
Michigan	4,434.9	4,382.8	4,465.8	4,369.0	9.3	8.5	9.3	8.4	218.2	218.3	219.8	215.9	737.5	727.3	759.7	736.2
Minnesota	2,661.2	2,643.4	2,656.8	2,644.1	6.8	6.5	6.8	6.6	137.2	141.5	138.5	142.1	358.0	348.4	359.2	351.1
Mississippi	1,129.9	1,118.7	1,129.8	1,120.9	9.3	9.5	9.0	9.5	55.2	56.6	54.7	55.6	189.1	178.1	187.9	175.6
Missouri	2,625.5	2,615.9	2,642.8	2,615.9	4.7	4.1	4.7	4.3	142.1	141.7	141.4	143.8	311.0	314.6	323.8	314.9
Montana	400.1	399.9	401.1	400.6	6.4	6.3	6.4	6.1	24.1	24.2	24.5	24.5	20.3	18.8	20.4	18.8
Nebraska	901.6	901.1	903.0	900.2	1.3	1.5	1.3	1.5	47.6	47.6	47.4	48.0	106.2	104.6	106.1	104.1
Nevada	1,048.8	1,068.4	1,057.3	1,079.2	8.9	8.8	8.9	8.7	94.2	97.8	96.5	100.4	43.0	43.1	43.0	43.3
New Hampshire	620.2	620.9	618.7	618.9	1.0	1.1	1.0	1.1	28.8	28.4	28.7	28.2	84.6	81.5	84.5	81.6
New Jersey	3,999.8	4,033.4	3,983.7	4,006.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	168.9	173.3	169.1	174.3	366.5	355.2	366.9	354.7
New Mexico	764.8	777.8	768.3	781.9	13.8	14.0	13.9	13.9	46.4	48.8	46.8	49.0	39.5	37.1	39.8	38.2
New York	8,429.6	8,403.4	8,411.9	8,364.2	5.4	5.3	5.4	5.3	335.8	346.7	340.5	350.4	648.2	618.0	651.2	616.2
North Carolina	3,786.7	3,781.0	3,835.3	3,806.4	8.0	7.7	7.9	7.7	223.1	222.2	221.3	219.5	638.0	606.4	637.3	606.2
North Dakota	324.6	324.5	325.8	326.1	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.4	17.6	17.3	17.8	17.4	24.1	23.6	24.2	23.5
Ohio	5,442.1	5,387.0	5,448.9	5,384.7	12.3	12.1	12.5	12.5	252.6	249.4	253.9	250.9	877.7	849.6	885.6	856.5
Oklahoma	1,438.6	1,462.1	1,463.1	1,460.3	28.3	30.1	28.3	30.4	66.1	67.6	66.3	67.3	151.2	148.7	151.0	147.5
Oregon	1,574.6	1,549.7	1,577.3	1,552.8	9.9	9.6	10.1	9.5	82.4	80.9	85.0	81.0	207.4	199.1	207.0	200.0
Pennsylvania	5,627.3	5,603.1	5,625.8	5,598.4	19.0	18.1	19.3	18.3	263.1	263.9	265.5	265.7	762.2	729.6	763.9	728.6
Rhode Island	474.8	479.1	478.8	481.0	.3	.3	.2	.3	20.3	21.9	20.5	21.7	58.7	56.9	62.2	60.1
South Carolina	1,790.8	1,762.7	1,811.0	1,772.3	5.1	5.2	5.3	5.2	112.7	110.7	113.4	111.0	291.9	275.0	292.2	273.7
South Dakota	382.9	382.5	383.5	384.3	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	21.3	21.4	21.4	21.5	39.1	37.7	38.9	37.7
Tennessee	2,662.6	2,663.7	2,679.0	2,678.4	4.7	4.4	4.6	4.4	117.8	113.2	117.9	113.2	425.8	412.7	427.6	416.4
Texas	9,351.8	9,378.4	9,407.8	9,425.6	144.9	143.2	145.4	143.4	574.2	587.6	577.4	588.7	950.1	912.1	949.2	910.9
Utah	1,063.8	1,060.1	1,067.6	1,062.9	7.1	7.0	7.1	6.9	70.9	71.1	71.3	71.5	113.7	111.1	113.8	111.0
Vermont	293.9	298.8	294.0	299.2	1.1	1.2	1.1	1.2	16.3	16.5	16.3	16.5	40.7	38.7	39.7	38.9
Virginia	3,486.2	3,492.8	3,487.7	3,491.3	10.6	10.2	10.5	10.4	219.7	215.5	220.3	217.0	316.8	304.4	319.0	307.4
Washington	2,663.7	2,659.9	2,662.0	2,658.3	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	161.6	164.7	166.6	169.9	290.0	267.3	288.4	267.0
West Virginia	733.6	730.1	735.1	729.9	22.6	23.0	22.8	23.3	35.4	35.0	35.8	35.4	68.7	66.0	68.6	66.0
Wisconsin	2,795.7	2,800.5	2,794.1	2,795.1	4.3	4.6	4.4	4.7	135.7	127.2	135.6	127.1	533.3	518.9	536.2	521.0
Wyoming	254.6	256.3	254.5	255.1	18.2	18.1	18.3	18.2	21.4	21.5	22.1	21.8	9.5	9.3	9.6	9.2
Puerto Rico	983.9	991.4	972.3	986.3	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.3	66.6	64.4	65.5	65.4	118.2	117.1	118.4	117.8

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Table 6. Employees on nonfarm payrolls by state and selected industry sector, not seasonally adjusted—Continued

(In thousands)

State	Trade, transportation, and utilities				Information				Financial activities				Professional and business services			
	July		August		July		August		July		August		July		August	
	2002	2003	2002	2003 ^P	2002	2003	2002	2003 ^P	2002	2003	2002	2003 ^P	2002	2003	2002	2003 ^P
Alabama	372.5	368.7	371.3	368.5	34.4	33.7	34.2	33.6	98.5	98.0	98.5	97.4	187.0	187.8	190.4	188.2
Alaska	65.8	64.9	65.8	65.0	7.5	7.3	7.3	7.2	14.1	14.3	14.2	14.7	24.8	25.4	26.1	25.0
Arizona	439.5	441.8	440.1	442.4	51.1	48.5	50.9	48.4	154.5	154.4	153.9	154.1	317.6	319.2	318.5	320.0
Arkansas	242.1	243.3	241.8	243.4	20.5	19.7	20.4	19.8	50.3	50.6	50.3	50.6	102.4	101.6	103.2	102.4
California	2,724.2	2,721.7	2,733.2	2,725.7	485.5	475.4	497.7	471.1	850.3	865.3	853.8	865.8	2,118.3	2,113.7	2,134.9	2,121.4
Colorado	414.0	407.3	414.0	408.9	92.2	87.0	91.5	85.8	147.2	154.0	147.8	153.9	293.3	294.4	296.5	293.8
Connecticut	307.1	306.5	305.5	305.0	41.2	40.0	41.0	40.0	144.5	143.8	144.6	143.5	202.5	199.5	203.3	200.3
Delaware	77.2	77.4	76.7	77.1	7.9	7.9	7.9	8.0	38.7	38.6	38.4	38.6	67.8	68.8	68.1	68.8
District of Columbia	27.8	27.5	27.6	27.6	25.6	25.9	25.6	26.0	30.7	30.9	30.9	30.9	141.1	142.4	140.1	142.0
Florida	1,463.7	1,455.4	1,463.6	1,455.3	176.5	169.6	174.4	167.2	476.4	484.6	476.7	484.2	1,218.8	1,252.5	1,220.4	1,257.6
Georgia	830.5	822.4	831.8	825.3	131.4	127.9	130.7	128.4	213.2	214.0	213.3	214.0	518.3	556.2	521.2	558.4
Hawaii	106.7	109.1	106.9	109.1	11.3	11.7	11.7	11.6	27.7	28.7	27.7	28.5	67.2	69.2	68.0	69.3
Idaho	116.6	116.7	117.0	116.9	9.1	9.3	9.2	9.2	26.2	27.3	26.3	27.4	70.9	73.0	71.8	75.0
Illinois	1,198.7	1,187.9	1,196.1	1,189.2	147.4	145.1	148.0	145.2	404.5	400.8	402.8	400.2	793.0	792.0	802.3	797.8
Indiana	585.5	573.5	581.1	572.5	42.3	41.6	42.1	41.6	140.2	140.0	139.7	140.4	250.8	242.0	255.6	243.7
Iowa	306.8	303.7	306.7	303.8	34.9	35.6	34.9	35.5	95.0	94.1	94.9	94.1	107.2	109.1	106.9	109.6
Kansas	266.2	268.9	266.4	269.2	50.9	49.7	50.4	49.2	69.7	70.8	69.3	70.8	129.2	126.6	128.8	126.6
Kentucky	370.8	365.4	371.4	365.8	31.9	31.3	31.8	31.4	85.2	85.3	85.3	85.1	155.3	155.6	159.0	156.1
Louisiana	384.1	382.2	384.7	382.0	29.0	29.9	29.1	29.6	100.1	99.0	100.4	99.7	179.9	173.7	181.2	173.5
Maine	127.4	127.1	127.3	127.0	11.6	11.5	11.6	11.6	35.4	35.4	35.3	35.3	53.0	52.6	53.1	52.6
Maryland	459.6	461.0	458.9	461.3	53.0	50.4	52.7	50.4	151.5	152.1	151.8	151.6	364.0	365.5	366.2	365.9
Massachusetts	577.1	573.5	572.1	570.3	98.9	93.6	97.6	93.2	231.2	232.2	231.2	233.0	459.5	443.1	459.3	444.1
Michigan	837.3	830.7	841.0	829.3	75.8	74.4	74.2	74.0	217.5	223.0	218.7	222.6	597.9	582.4	609.1	585.6
Minnesota	523.6	524.4	525.2	523.5	68.1	67.2	66.0	66.5	171.0	168.5	172.5	168.2	301.6	295.9	301.6	295.9
Mississippi	222.6	224.4	220.6	225.1	16.0	16.0	15.9	16.1	46.3	46.2	46.3	46.0	79.0	78.9	78.5	79.9
Missouri	541.3	524.2	540.7	526.6	69.7	67.0	69.5	66.5	160.5	158.5	160.8	157.4	303.9	297.0	305.5	297.3
Montana	86.1	85.7	86.1	85.9	8.0	7.8	7.9	7.7	19.8	20.1	19.5	20.2	32.6	32.8	32.9	33.2
Nebraska	195.0	195.4	194.9	195.0	24.7	24.3	24.8	25.0	62.0	64.4	61.9	64.2	91.4	89.4	91.5	91.0
Nevada	191.4	193.2	191.7	195.0	16.8	16.0	16.9	15.9	56.2	57.3	56.5	57.8	112.6	115.1	116.2	118.8
New Hampshire	138.9	138.2	139.7	137.8	12.8	12.1	12.7	12.0	36.8	37.7	37.0	37.7	54.1	52.8	53.9	53.1
New Jersey	874.7	883.3	872.8	875.1	114.4	109.7	113.7	109.1	279.4	280.4	278.5	280.6	591.3	591.5	593.6	593.3
New Mexico	135.3	136.3	136.1	137.4	16.9	16.8	16.7	16.7	33.9	34.7	34.1	34.6	90.0	91.0	89.6	91.0
New York	1,464.2	1,464.3	1,465.8	1,464.8	293.2	280.6	294.4	279.0	711.4	705.3	710.8	703.5	1,055.9	1,045.8	1,055.3	1,045.2
North Carolina	718.7	719.8	716.7	720.1	80.0	78.9	80.2	78.3	189.7	195.1	191.4	195.9	417.3	423.4	423.6	426.5
North Dakota	71.9	71.4	71.6	71.4	8.0	8.2	7.9	8.1	17.9	18.2	18.0	18.4	24.2	23.9	24.4	24.3
Ohio	1,062.2	1,047.0	1,063.8	1,049.3	101.1	96.7	100.7	96.1	310.5	311.2	310.0	310.6	622.9	616.0	627.2	615.5
Oklahoma	283.6	285.3	284.7	282.2	35.3	33.6	35.3	33.6	84.4	85.5	84.5	85.0	160.6	161.5	162.5	161.2
Oregon	316.7	311.7	317.2	313.0	36.5	34.8	36.0	35.4	94.2	93.9	93.0	94.3	176.2	176.1	179.7	177.1
Pennsylvania	1,112.5	1,082.7	1,110.2	1,079.5	128.5	129.3	128.2	129.2	339.1	341.0	338.6	340.1	607.0	606.1	609.2	609.9
Rhode Island	80.3	82.4	80.3	82.4	11.3	11.2	11.3	11.2	32.7	33.1	32.6	32.9	49.2	48.9	49.4	49.4
South Carolina	347.2	346.0	347.5	344.7	27.4	27.7	27.6	27.8	92.1	91.2	91.0	91.2	183.7	177.9	184.6	179.3
South Dakota	77.3	77.7	77.4	77.9	6.9	6.8	6.8	6.8	28.0	27.4	28.0	27.7	24.7	24.4	25.1	24.5
Tennessee	576.2	574.6	575.2	574.5	53.3	52.0	53.4	51.7	140.3	140.5	139.6	139.9	309.0	313.3	313.3	315.3
Texas	1,958.7	1,936.5	1,964.0	1,943.1	247.0	234.5	246.3	233.7	583.5	590.6	584.6	591.0	1,057.7	1,058.6	1,067.7	1,060.6
Utah	216.4	214.3	217.3	215.3	30.9	31.2	30.6	30.8	62.8	64.1	63.2	64.1	132.5	130.2	133.8	131.0
Vermont	59.0	60.3	59.1	60.0	6.7	6.8	6.7	6.8	13.5	13.5	13.5	13.5	20.7	21.3	20.9	21.4
Virginia	635.2	637.1	637.0	637.5	104.7	100.7	104.1	100.0	183.9	186.5	183.7	185.9	550.4	554.6	551.9	556.5
Washington	513.6	511.7	513.7	513.2	93.7	93.7	93.8	94.8	146.4	150.2	147.3	150.7	292.7	294.7	296.6	297.4
West Virginia	137.1	135.3	136.9	135.2	13.3	12.8	13.3	12.9	31.4	31.4	31.6	31.4	57.8	59.2	58.4	58.5
Wisconsin	537.2	544.0	536.5	544.7	50.8	51.1	50.3	50.9	155.2	159.4	154.1	159.3	245.2	250.4	244.5	250.7
Wyoming	49.8	49.8	49.8	49.8	4.1	4.3	4.1	4.3	10.4	10.4	10.3	10.3	16.5	16.0	16.5	16.2
Puerto Rico	171.3	169.3	171.0	169.6	21.5	21.2	21.4	21.2	44.2	44.4	44.3	44.3	96.2	96.0	97.4	96.8

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Table 6. Employees on nonfarm payrolls by state and selected industry sector, not seasonally adjusted—Continued

(In thousands)

State	Education and health services				Leisure and hospitality				Other services				Government			
	July		August		July		August		July		August		July		August	
	2002	2003	2002	2003 ^P	2002	2003	2002	2003 ^P	2002	2003	2002	2003 ^P	2002	2003	2002	2003 ^P
Alabama	181.2	180.3	182.6	181.4	156.2	155.7	156.6	155.4	87.2	86.5	87.3	86.2	341.2	342.3	342.5	342.3
Alaska	30.6	32.2	30.7	32.6	35.1	35.7	34.9	35.3	12.7	13.0	12.8	13.1	77.6	78.8	77.9	78.9
Arizona	230.8	245.3	234.9	246.6	226.2	227.1	225.1	225.9	85.9	88.2	86.0	88.5	349.5	349.4	370.3	373.2
Arkansas	133.3	137.1	134.7	138.1	91.2	92.5	91.5	92.4	41.5	41.2	41.3	41.1	178.0	180.7	182.4	185.2
California	1,471.9	1,503.6	1,476.6	1,503.8	1,408.4	1,436.5	1,412.7	1,440.5	509.1	500.9	508.2	499.9	2,356.4	2,347.6	2,340.4	2,321.4
Colorado	207.9	212.3	209.3	211.7	259.1	263.4	259.9	262.6	87.5	87.0	87.0	86.9	342.6	338.6	345.3	337.2
Connecticut	254.9	259.2	253.1	257.2	133.7	134.4	132.0	132.9	63.6	64.1	62.7	63.7	232.3	227.3	234.2	228.9
Delaware	49.0	49.3	49.0	49.2	42.1	41.3	41.5	41.5	18.4	18.4	18.6	18.5	53.0	52.8	51.7	52.1
District of Columbia	86.5	84.5	86.8	83.5	49.2	49.5	48.2	49.3	56.8	56.2	56.5	56.2	239.7	238.4	237.2	232.0
Florida	854.9	867.0	859.7	871.4	797.3	814.6	798.3	815.6	311.7	313.6	312.2	314.3	962.7	991.8	1,046.9	1,076.1
Georgia	370.4	377.5	375.2	382.5	344.6	352.3	344.1	349.1	183.3	192.8	185.8	193.7	599.0	602.4	621.9	625.9
Hawaii	63.0	65.1	62.1	64.3	97.9	100.2	98.4	100.6	23.7	24.5	23.7	24.3	112.0	113.8	112.3	113.1
Idaho	58.9	60.1	59.1	60.1	57.2	58.4	57.8	59.1	18.4	18.2	18.5	18.6	107.0	105.8	105.8	105.0
Illinois	705.2	712.9	706.6	710.3	514.7	512.0	516.0	513.0	263.5	261.7	263.8	262.3	827.9	825.2	821.6	813.8
Indiana	337.3	338.3	335.3	338.1	281.1	274.9	280.1	278.8	109.7	111.0	109.9	110.1	374.7	377.3	386.4	391.1
Iowa	178.3	184.1	178.9	184.7	131.2	128.0	132.3	129.1	57.2	58.1	57.1	58.2	224.2	224.7	222.0	222.3
Kansas	156.5	159.2	157.0	159.0	112.0	110.9	112.6	111.0	52.9	53.5	52.6	53.4	232.6	228.7	230.8	225.8
Kentucky	221.0	224.3	222.0	224.7	159.7	158.9	159.5	158.4	76.6	74.2	76.5	73.9	288.3	285.9	300.8	298.6
Louisiana	230.3	233.8	233.4	232.2	198.6	198.9	198.8	199.5	71.3	71.4	71.3	70.8	365.3	368.2	364.5	365.2
Maine	103.9	106.1	103.8	106.0	72.7	72.6	72.7	72.4	20.4	20.7	20.2	20.6	91.1	91.3	89.1	89.5
Maryland	327.9	336.9	327.0	336.8	232.6	236.1	232.9	235.4	117.2	121.0	115.9	120.0	417.5	417.4	426.0	417.4
Massachusetts	552.6	559.5	550.7	556.7	312.4	313.0	312.1	312.1	122.9	122.4	121.9	121.3	400.6	393.4	395.8	386.8
Michigan	529.6	529.9	528.6	525.9	422.4	414.2	415.5	406.6	179.9	176.9	177.3	174.8	609.5	597.2	612.6	589.7
Minnesota	350.8	358.5	350.9	357.5	244.9	244.8	248.6	248.2	118.2	116.5	118.4	116.9	381.0	371.2	369.1	367.6
Mississippi	110.7	110.0	111.3	110.1	127.2	124.1	127.3	124.3	38.3	39.3	37.8	38.7	236.2	235.6	240.5	240.0
Missouri	338.3	347.9	339.2	347.4	276.3	277.5	277.5	277.2	118.9	122.5	118.7	120.0	358.8	360.9	361.0	360.5
Montana	50.8	51.9	51.2	52.3	56.7	56.6	57.0	56.4	16.3	16.3	16.3	15.9	79.0	79.4	78.9	79.6
Nebraska	108.1	110.6	108.5	111.6	80.1	77.3	81.1	77.1	34.0	33.7	33.8	33.1	151.2	152.3	151.7	149.6
Nevada	71.5	75.2	72.4	75.8	301.3	304.6	301.7	305.7	30.4	30.8	30.6	30.9	122.5	126.5	122.9	126.9
New Hampshire	91.7	92.8	91.5	92.5	70.4	73.3	69.3	73.6	22.0	22.2	22.1	21.9	79.1	80.8	78.3	79.4
New Jersey	526.2	539.6	524.1	538.1	339.8	344.5	336.7	342.3	151.2	155.7	150.3	152.8	585.9	598.7	576.5	584.7
New Mexico	90.3	95.7	91.7	96.6	83.9	85.3	84.2	85.9	30.6	31.0	30.4	30.7	184.2	187.1	185.0	187.9
New York	1,421.7	1,447.8	1,417.8	1,437.5	681.8	688.9	684.6	688.0	345.7	349.6	344.8	348.3	1,466.3	1,451.1	1,441.3	1,426.0
North Carolina	403.9	416.5	409.0	421.8	344.2	345.9	341.6	344.2	182.4	178.7	180.4	177.6	581.4	586.4	625.9	608.6
North Dakota	46.7	47.4	46.8	47.2	31.2	31.4	31.2	31.6	15.2	15.2	15.0	15.2	64.4	64.5	65.5	65.6
Ohio	696.0	705.8	695.9	705.4	520.2	519.0	518.6	515.9	230.2	224.8	230.6	223.6	756.4	755.4	750.1	748.4
Oklahoma	170.5	168.5	173.3	169.8	130.9	131.6	132.2	134.9	74.7	76.4	74.5	75.2	253.0	273.3	270.3	273.2
Oregon	180.2	183.5	180.6	182.8	160.2	155.8	158.6	156.5	57.4	58.2	58.2	58.8	253.5	246.1	251.9	244.4
Pennsylvania	948.1	967.4	945.9	965.7	496.7	500.5	498.1	501.3	265.3	269.7	264.6	268.9	685.8	694.8	682.3	691.2
Rhode Island	83.4	85.9	84.5	85.3	53.8	52.4	53.6	52.8	22.3	23.6	22.1	23.3	62.5	62.5	62.1	61.6
South Carolina	169.4	171.7	169.4	173.3	201.2	194.5	195.5	192.7	65.3	66.3	65.2	63.0	294.8	296.5	319.3	310.4
South Dakota	53.3	54.7	53.4	54.8	44.4	45.0	45.2	45.8	16.2	16.1	16.1	16.1	70.7	70.3	70.5	70.5
Tennessee	297.4	307.3	299.4	307.9	249.0	252.4	250.3	252.8	102.7	103.0	101.6	101.9	386.4	390.3	396.1	400.4
Texas	1,080.7	1,120.1	1,091.6	1,131.3	867.0	876.1	869.7	877.8	357.3	362.2	356.5	360.5	1,530.7	1,556.9	1,555.4	1,584.6
Utah	110.3	113.7	112.2	114.3	101.7	100.3	101.7	100.5	33.6	33.2	33.6	33.3	183.9	183.9	183.0	184.2
Vermont	49.5	51.1	49.2	51.1	34.1	35.6	34.9	36.4	10.4	10.7	10.4	10.5	41.9	43.1	42.2	42.9
Virginia	343.6	346.2	345.0	347.1	326.4	341.2	326.1	338.2	179.5	180.8	179.2	179.4	615.4	615.6	610.9	611.9
Washington	301.5	308.5	302.4	309.2	256.3	256.9	258.7	259.6	100.0	100.3	100.1	100.3	498.3	502.3	484.8	486.6
West Virginia	106.2	106.8	105.7	106.1	67.9	67.6	68.2	68.2	55.4	55.4	55.4	55.3	137.8	137.6	138.4	137.6
Wisconsin	357.2	363.5	356.9	363.3	259.7	261.6	260.6	260.5	134.1	138.9	135.3	137.8	383.0	380.9	379.7	375.1
Wyoming	19.9	20.4	20.0	20.2	36.7	37.5	35.7	35.8	9.9	10.0	9.8	10.0	58.2	59.0	58.3	59.3
Puerto Rico	82.2	84.4	83.4	85.4	63.3	64.0	64.1	64.3	16.5	15.5	16.4	15.8	302.7	313.9	289.2	304.4

¹ Natural resources and mining is combined with construction.

^P = preliminary.

NOTE: Data are counts of jobs by place of work. Estimates are currently projected from

March 2002 benchmark levels. Estimates subsequent to the current benchmark month are provisional and will be revised when new information becomes available.

Chart 1. Unemployment rates by state, seasonally adjusted August 2003

(U.S. rate = 6.1 percent)

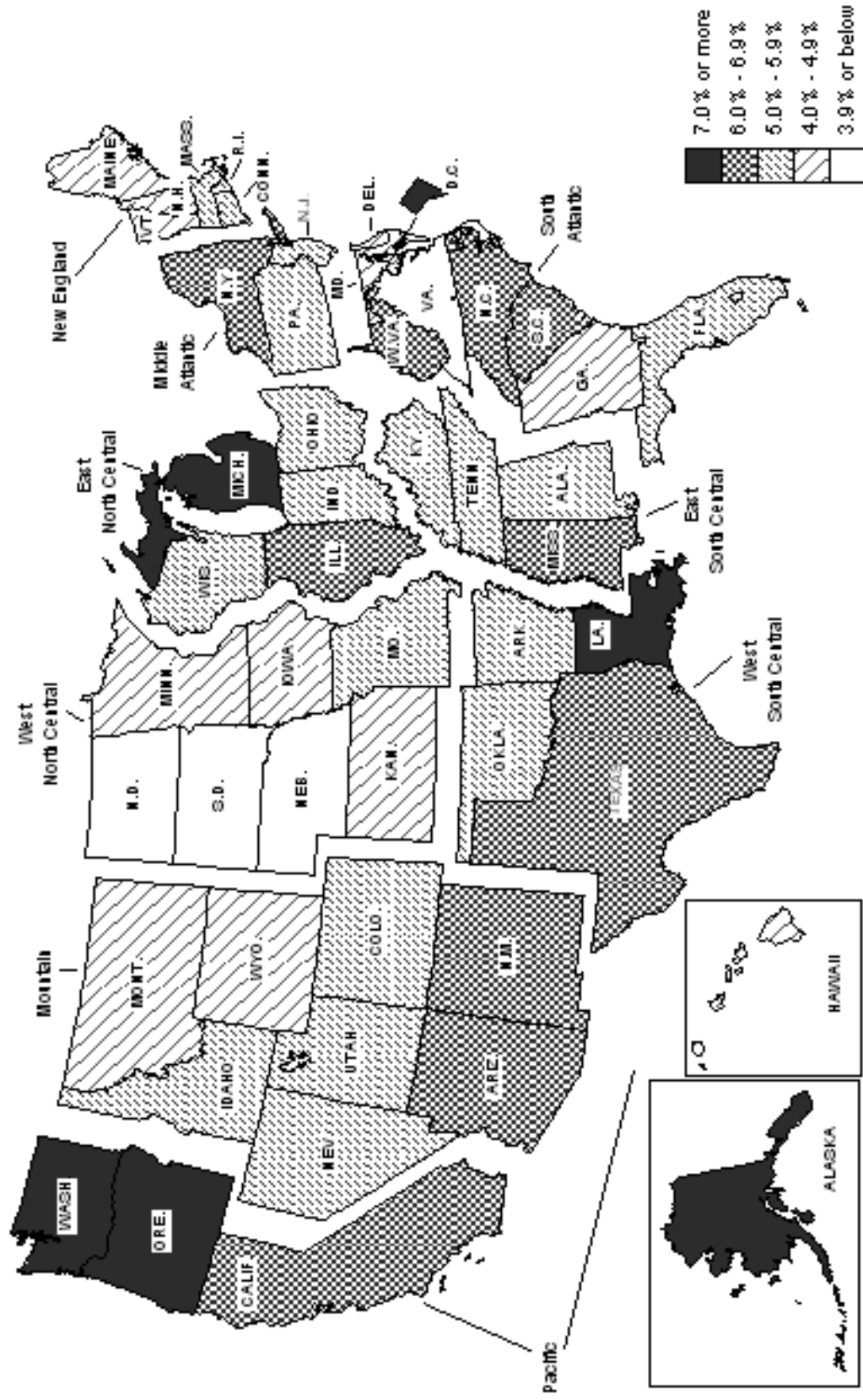


Chart 2. Percentage change in nonfarm employment by state, seasonally adjusted, August 2002 – August 2003

