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METROPOLITAN AREA EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT: SEPTEMBER 2008

Unemployment rates were higher in September than a year earlier in 349 of the 369 metropolitan areas, lower in 14 areas, and unchanged in 6 areas, the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor reported today. Ten areas recorded jobless rates of at least 10.0 percent, while nine areas registered rates below 3.0 percent. The national unemployment rate in September was 6.0 percent, not seasonally adjusted, up from 4.5 percent a year earlier.

Metropolitan Area Unemployment (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

In September, 84 metropolitan areas reported jobless rates of at least 7.0 percent, up from 17 areas a year earlier, while 46 areas posted rates below 4.0 percent, down from 133 areas in September 2007. El Centro, Calif., and neighboring Yuma, Ariz., continued to record the highest unemployment rates, 24.5 and 20.5 percent, respectively. Joblessness in these two areas is typically higher during summer months due to the effect of extreme heat on agricultural activity. Bismarck, N.D., Casper, Wyo., Logan, Utah-Idaho, and Sioux Falls, S.D., registered the lowest jobless rates, 2.5 percent each. Overall, 145 areas posted unemployment rates above the U.S. figure of 6.0 percent, 219 areas reported rates below it, and 5 areas had the same rate. (See table 1 and the map.)

Elkhart-Goshen, Ind., recorded the largest jobless rate increase from September 2007 (+5.1 percentage points). This area has experienced layoffs in transportation equipment manufacturing for several months. Rocky Mount, N.C., had the next largest rate increase (+3.9 points), followed closely by El Centro, Calif., and Yuma, Ariz. (+3.8 points each). Seventy-eight additional areas registered

Correction to Data for Montana

Nonfarm payroll employment for August 2008 for the state of Montana published in table 3 of this news release is different from that originally published on October 21, 2008, in the "Regional and State Employment and Unemployment: September 2008" news release (http://www.bls.gov/news.release/archives/laus_10212008.pdf). Corrected data were released on October 24, 2008.

over-the-year unemployment rate increases of 2.0 percentage points or more, and another 179 areas had rate increases of 1.0 to 1.9 points. Two Arkansas areas experienced the largest jobless rate decreases from September 2007: Jonesboro and Hot Springs (-1.0 and -0.8 percentage point, respectively).

Of the 49 metropolitan areas with a Census 2000 population of 1 million or more, Riverside-San Bernardino-Ontario, Calif., reported the highest unemployment rate in September 2008, 9.1 percent, followed by Detroit-Warren-Livonia, Mich., at 8.3 percent. Seven additional large areas posted rates of 7.0 percent or more. Oklahoma City, Okla., registered the lowest jobless rate in September, 3.5 percent, and Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, D.C.-Va.-Md.-W.Va., had the next lowest rate, 4.0 percent. Forty-seven large areas recorded higher unemployment rates than in September 2007, one reported a lower rate, and one had no change. The areas with the largest jobless rate increases from a year earlier were Providence-Fall River-Warwick, R.I.-Mass. (+3.2 percentage points), Riverside-San Bernardino-Ontario, Calif. (+2.8 points), and Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater, Fla. (+2.5 points). Twelve additional large areas posted over-the-year unemployment rate increases of 2.0 percentage points or more, and 28 other areas had rate increases of at least 1.0 point. The only large area to register a jobless rate decrease from a year earlier was Oklahoma City, Okla. (-0.5 percentage point).

Metropolitan Division Unemployment (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

Eleven of the most populous metropolitan areas are composed of 34 metropolitan divisions, which are essentially separately identifiable employment centers. In September 2008, Detroit-Livonia-Dearborn, Mich., again registered the highest division jobless rate, 9.6 percent, followed by Lawrence-Methuen-Salem, Mass.-N.H., at 8.5 percent. Bethesda-Frederick-Gaithersburg, Md., continued to report the lowest unemployment rate among the divisions, 3.4 percent. Nashua, N.H.-Mass., posted the next lowest rate, 3.9 percent. (See table 2.)

In September, all 34 metropolitan divisions recorded over-the-year jobless rate increases. Los Angeles-Long Beach-Glendale, Calif., experienced the largest unemployment rate increase (+2.6 percentage points). West Palm Beach-Boca Raton-Boynton Beach, Fla., registered the next largest increase (+2.3 percentage points). Two additional divisions reported over-the-year rate increases of 2.0 percentage points or more, and 21 others had increases of at least 1.0 point.

In 6 of the 11 metropolitan areas that contain divisions, the ranges between the highest and lowest division jobless rates were 1.0 percentage point or more in September. Boston-Cambridge-Quincy, Mass.-N.H., posted the largest rate difference among its divisions, 4.6 percentage points (Lawrence-Methuen-Salem, Mass.-N.H., 8.5 percent, compared with Nashua, N.H.-Mass., 3.9 percent).

Metropolitan Area Nonfarm Employment (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

Among the 310 metropolitan areas for which nonfarm payroll data were available in September 2008, 140 areas reported over-the-year employment gains, 164 reported losses, and 6 had no change. The largest over-the-year employment increase was recorded in Houston-Sugar Land-Baytown, Texas (+55,700), followed by Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington, Texas (+54,300), Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, D.C.-Va.-Md.-W.Va. (+40,700), and Seattle-Tacoma-Bellevue, Wash. (+33,900). The largest over-the-year percentage gain in employment was reported in Grand Junction, Colo. (+4.2 percent), followed by Laredo, Texas (+3.7 percent), Morgantown, W.Va. (+3.5 percent), McAllen-Edinburg-Mission, Texas (+3.3 percent), and Odessa, Texas (+3.0 percent). (See table 3.)

The largest over-the-year decreases in employment occurred in Detroit-Warren-Livonia, Mich. (-57,800), Los Angeles-Long Beach-Santa Ana, Calif. (-53,200), Phoenix-Mesa-Scottsdale, Ariz. (-43,200), Atlanta-Sandy Springs-Marietta, Ga. (-33,600), Miami-Fort Lauderdale-Pompano Beach, Fla. (-32,400), and Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater, Fla. (-22,700). The largest over-the-year percentage decreases in employment were reported in Flint, Mich. (-5.5 percent), Elkhart-Goshen, Ind. (-4.1 percent), Lake Havasu City-Kingman, Ariz. (-3.9 percent), Dalton, Ga. (-3.5 percent), Cape Coral-Fort Myers, Fla. (-3.4 percent), St. George, Utah (-3.3 percent), Hattiesburg, Miss. (-3.2 percent), and Janesville, Wis., and Naples-Marco Island, Fla. (-3.0 percent each).

Over the year, nonfarm employment rose in 17 of the 38 metropolitan areas with annual average employment levels above 750,000 in 2007. The largest over-the-year percentage increases in employment were posted in Houston-Sugar Land-Baytown, Texas, and Virginia Beach-Norfolk-Newport News, Va.-N.C. (+2.2 percent each), San Antonio, Texas (+2.1 percent), Austin-Round Rock, Texas, and Seattle-Tacoma-Bellevue, Wash. (+1.9 percent each), Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington, Texas (+1.8 percent), and Charlotte-Gastonia-Concord, N.C.-S.C. (+1.6 percent). Among these large areas, 21 reported over-the-year decreases in employment. The largest over-the-year percentage decreases in employment were recorded in Detroit-Warren-Livonia, Mich. (-2.9 percent), Phoenix-Mesa-Scottsdale, Ariz. (-2.3 percent), Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater, Fla. (-1.8 percent), and Riverside-San Bernardino-Ontario, Calif. (-1.6 percent).

Metropolitan Division Nonfarm Employment (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

Nonfarm payroll employment data were available in September 2008 for 32 metropolitan divisions, which are essentially separately identifiable employment centers within a metropolitan area. Fifteen of the 32 metropolitan divisions reported over-the-year employment gains while 17 reported losses. The largest over-the-year employment gain in the metropolitan divisions occurred in Dallas-Plano-Irving, Texas (+39,200), followed by Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, D.C.-Va.-Md.-W.Va. (+35,400), Seattle-Bellevue-Everett, Wash. (+29,700), and New York-White Plains-Wayne, N.Y.-N.J. (+23,700). Of the 17 metropolitan divisions that reported losses, the largest over-the-year employment decrease occurred in Detroit-Livonia-Dearborn, Mich. (-33,800), followed by Santa Ana-Anaheim-Irvine, Calif. (-29,600), Warren-Troy-Farmington Hills, Mich. (-24,000), Los Angeles-Long Beach-Glendale, Calif. (-23,600), and Oakland-Fremont-Hayward, Calif. (-21,400). (See table 4.)

The largest over-the-year percentage increase in employment among the metropolitan divisions was reported in Seattle-Bellevue-Everett, Wash. (+2.0 percent), followed by Dallas-Plano-Irving, Texas (+1.9 percent), Fort Worth-Arlington, Texas (+1.7 percent), and Tacoma, Wash., and Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, D.C.-Va.-Md.-W.Va. (+1.5 percent each). Of the metropolitan divisions that reported over-the-year declines in employment, the largest decreases were in Detroit-Livonia-Dearborn, Mich. (-4.3 percent), and Oakland-Fremont-Hayward, Calif., Santa Ana-Anaheim-Irvine, Calif., and Warren-Troy-Farmington Hills, Mich. (-2.0 percent each).

The Regional and State Employment and Unemployment release for October is scheduled to be issued on Friday, November 21. The Metropolitan Area Employment and Unemployment release for October is scheduled to be issued on Tuesday, December 2.

Recent Tropical Storms

Hurricane Ike struck the east coast of Texas and portions of coastal Louisiana on September 13th in the midst of the establishment survey reference period. For the weather conditions to have affected payroll employment, people would have had to be off work for the entire pay period and not paid for the time missed. Therefore, it is unlikely the storm had substantial effects on the September state and metropolitan area employment estimates.

In the Current Population Survey of households, which provides inputs for the model-based estimation of labor force and unemployment for states and areas included in this release, people who miss work for weather-related events are counted as employed whether or not they are paid for the time off.

Hurricane Katrina

For September, BLS and its state partners continued to make modifications to the usual estimation procedures for the LAUS program to reflect the impact of Hurricane Katrina on the labor force statistics in affected areas. These modifications included: (1) modifying the state population controls to account for displacement due to Katrina; (2) developing labor force estimates for the New Orleans-Metairie-Kenner metropolitan area using an alternative to the model-based method; and (3) not publishing labor force estimates for the months immediately following the hurricane for the parishes within the New Orleans-Metairie-Kenner metropolitan area and cities within those parishes, where the quality of input data was severely compromised by the hurricane.

For more information on LAUS procedures and estimates for September 2008, see *Hurricane Information: Katrina and Rita* at <http://www.bls.gov/Katrina/home.htm> or call (202) 691-6392.

Technical Note

This release presents labor force and unemployment data from the Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS) program (tables 1 and 2) for 369 metropolitan statistical areas and metropolitan New England City and Town Areas (NECTAs), plus 8 areas in Puerto Rico. Estimates for 34 metropolitan and NECTA divisions also are presented. Nonfarm payroll employment estimates from the Current Employment Statistics (CES) program (tables 3 and 4) are provided for most of the same areas. State estimates were previously published in the news release, *Regional and State Employment and Unemployment*, and are republished in this release for ease of reference. 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 LAUS program measures employment and unemployment on a place-of-residence basis. The universe for each is the civilian noninstitutional population 16 years of age and over. *Employed* persons are those who did any work at all for pay or profit in the 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 had 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 were not employed during the reference week (based on the definition above), had actively looked for a job sometime in the 4-week period ending with the reference week, and were currently available for work; persons on layoff expecting recall need not be looking for work to be counted as unemployed. The *labor force* is the sum of employed and unemployed persons. The *unemployment rate* is the number of unemployed as a percent of the labor force.

Method of estimation. Estimates for states, the District of Columbia, the Los Angeles-Long Beach-Glendale metropolitan division, and New York City are produced using time-series models with real-time benchmarking to national CPS totals. Model-based estimation was extended to the following areas and their respective balances of state in 2005: the Chicago-Naperville-Joliet, IL Metropolitan Division; Cleveland-Elyria-Mentor, OH Metropolitan Statistical Area; Detroit-Warren-Livonia, MI Metropolitan Statistical Area; Miami-Miami Beach-Kendall, FL Metropolitan Division; New Orleans-Metairie-Kenner, LA Metropolitan Statistical Area; and Seattle-Bellevue-Everett, WA Metropolitan Division. (Model-based estimation of the New Orleans-Metairie-Kenner metropolitan area was suspended following

Hurricane Katrina; the indirect estimation methods described below will be used for this area until further notice.) Modeling improves the statistical basis of the estimation for these areas and provides important tools for analysis, such as measures of errors and seasonally adjusted series. For all other substate areas in this release, estimates are prepared through indirect estimation procedures using a building-block approach. Employment estimates, which are based largely on “place of work” estimates from the CES program, are adjusted to refer to place of residence as used in the CPS. Unemployment estimates are aggregates of persons previously employed in industries covered by state unemployment insurance (UI) laws and entrants to the labor force data from the CPS. The substate estimates of employment and unemployment, which geographically exhaust the entire state, are adjusted proportionally to ensure that they add to the independently estimated state or balance-of-state totals. A detailed description of the estimation procedures is available from BLS upon request.

Annual revisions. Labor force and unemployment data shown for the prior year reflect adjustments made at the end of each year, usually implemented with January estimates. The adjusted model-based estimates reflect updated population data from the U.S. Census Bureau, any revisions in the other data sources, and model reestimation. All substate estimates are reestimated and adjusted to add to the revised model-based 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 that 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 2007 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. Small-domain models are used as the official estimators for the approximately 39 percent of CES published series which have insufficient sample for direct sample-based estimates.

Annual revisions. Employment estimates are adjusted annually to a complete count of jobs, called benchmarks, derived principally from tax reports that 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.

Reliability of the estimates

The estimates presented in this release are based on sample surveys, administrative data, and modeling 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 particular estimation processes used. The sums of individual items may not always equal the totals shown in the same tables because of rounding. Unemployment rates are computed from unrounded data and thus may differ slightly from rates computed using the rounded data displayed in the tables.

Labor force and unemployment estimates. Model-based error measures are available for states on the BLS Web site at <http://www.bls.gov/lau/lastderr.htm>. Measures of nonsampling error are not available, but additional information on the subject is provided in *Employment and Earnings Online* at <http://www.bls.gov/opub/ee/home.htm>.

Employment estimates. Measures of sampling error for state CES data at the supersector level and for metro-

politan area CES data at the total nonfarm level are available online at <http://www.bls.gov/sae/790stderr.htm>. Information on recent benchmark revisions for states is available on the BLS Web site at <http://www.bls.gov/sae/>.

Area definitions

The substate area data published in this release reflect the standards and definitions established by the U.S. Office of Management and Budget on November 20, 2007. Data reflect New England City and Town Area (NECTA) definitions, rather than county-based definitions, in the six New England States. A detailed list of the geographic definitions is available at <http://www.bls.gov/lau/lausmsa.htm>.

Additional information

More complete information on the technical procedures used to develop these estimates and additional data appear in *Employment and Earnings Online*.

Estimates of unadjusted and seasonally adjusted labor force and unemployment data for states, census regions and divisions, and seven substate areas are available in the news release, *Regional and State Employment and Unemployment*. Estimates of labor force 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 on the Internet at <http://www.bls.gov/lau/>. Employment data from the CES program are available on the BLS Web site 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.

Table 1. Civilian labor force and unemployment by state and metropolitan area

(Numbers in thousands)

State and area	Civilian labor force				Unemployed							
					Number				Percent of labor force			
	August		September		August		September		August		September	
	2007	2008	2007	2008 ^P	2007	2008	2007	2008 ^P	2007	2008	2007	2008 ^P
Alabama	2,183.4	2,186.0	2,187.4	2,169.0	86.1	116.0	77.0	114.7	3.9	5.3	3.5	5.3
Anniston-Oxford	54.5	55.0	54.9	54.7	2.1	2.9	1.9	2.9	3.8	5.2	3.5	5.3
Auburn-Opelika	66.3	66.7	66.7	66.3	2.4	3.0	2.1	3.0	3.6	4.6	3.1	4.5
Birmingham-Hoover	536.9	536.7	536.8	532.0	19.2	25.4	17.1	25.3	3.6	4.7	3.2	4.8
Decatur	72.7	73.0	73.5	72.8	2.6	3.6	2.3	3.7	3.6	4.9	3.2	5.1
Dothan	66.2	65.7	66.6	65.0	2.4	3.3	2.2	3.2	3.6	5.0	3.4	4.9
Florence-Muscle Shoals	69.2	69.5	69.3	68.9	3.1	3.8	2.7	3.7	4.5	5.5	3.9	5.3
Gadsden	45.5	45.2	45.6	45.0	2.0	2.6	1.8	2.6	4.4	5.7	4.0	5.8
Huntsville	202.5	205.6	203.0	204.2	6.3	8.0	5.5	8.0	3.1	3.9	2.7	3.9
Mobile	184.5	186.3	184.9	184.9	7.5	10.3	6.6	10.2	4.1	5.5	3.6	5.5
Montgomery	172.6	173.8	172.0	172.7	6.7	9.4	6.0	9.3	3.9	5.4	3.5	5.4
Tuscaloosa	99.1	99.0	99.3	98.2	3.5	4.6	3.0	4.4	3.5	4.6	3.0	4.5
Alaska	356.8	366.6	354.4	360.9	19.3	21.7	20.0	22.3	5.4	5.9	5.6	6.2
Anchorage	186.1	193.7	189.5	193.3	9.6	10.7	10.0	11.2	5.2	5.5	5.3	5.8
Fairbanks	45.9	46.7	45.5	46.4	2.1	2.4	2.2	2.5	4.5	5.2	4.7	5.3
Arizona	3,020.9	3,105.8	3,047.4	3,142.5	118.9	181.2	119.7	190.9	3.9	5.8	3.9	6.1
Flagstaff	70.5	73.7	71.8	74.0	2.5	3.7	2.4	3.8	3.6	5.1	3.4	5.1
Lake Havasu City-Kingman	92.2	93.6	92.0	94.4	4.3	6.6	4.4	6.9	4.7	7.0	4.8	7.3
Phoenix-Mesa-Scottsdale	2,047.5	2,098.8	2,061.9	2,124.8	65.9	105.9	68.4	114.4	3.2	5.0	3.3	5.4
Prescott	98.9	102.0	100.0	103.1	3.5	5.6	3.6	6.1	3.6	5.5	3.6	5.9
Tucson	448.4	464.0	457.3	473.5	16.5	24.9	17.2	27.0	3.7	5.4	3.8	5.7
Yuma	82.0	86.8	81.9	84.7	16.1	19.7	13.7	17.4	19.6	22.6	16.7	20.5
Arkansas	1,367.7	1,380.2	1,373.2	1,381.6	73.9	63.0	69.8	62.9	5.4	4.6	5.1	4.6
Fayetteville-Springdale-Rogers	228.8	231.3	229.0	232.2	9.0	8.1	8.8	8.1	4.0	3.5	3.9	3.5
Fort Smith	140.6	139.4	140.3	139.7	7.1	6.0	6.9	6.0	5.1	4.3	4.9	4.3
Hot Springs	43.0	45.1	42.6	45.0	2.4	2.0	2.3	2.1	5.6	4.5	5.5	4.7
Jonesboro	56.4	57.3	57.2	56.3	3.2	2.4	3.0	2.4	5.7	4.3	5.3	4.3
Little Rock-North Little Rock-Conway	342.1	345.6	339.2	345.7	16.0	13.8	15.3	13.9	4.7	4.0	4.5	4.0
Pine Bluff	44.5	44.3	44.7	44.8	3.3	2.9	3.1	2.9	7.5	6.7	6.9	6.5
California	18,242.9	18,530.5	18,262.0	18,480.1	1,002.6	1,420.3	985.5	1,383.7	5.5	7.7	5.4	7.5
Bakersfield	355.2	368.1	357.7	369.0	26.8	35.1	26.3	34.2	7.5	9.5	7.4	9.3
Chico	103.7	107.4	103.6	106.9	6.7	9.0	6.3	8.7	6.4	8.4	6.1	8.1
El Centro	69.4	76.5	70.4	74.1	14.7	21.2	14.6	18.2	21.2	27.7	20.7	24.5
Fresno	437.0	447.6	437.2	447.8	32.5	43.3	32.1	42.8	7.4	9.7	7.3	9.6
Hanford-Corcoran	59.8	61.6	59.4	60.8	4.3	5.8	4.2	5.6	7.3	9.4	7.1	9.3
Los Angeles-Long Beach-Santa Ana	6,567.4	6,598.9	6,582.3	6,582.0	331.0	498.8	326.3	480.5	5.0	7.6	5.0	7.3
Madera	65.5	66.9	66.6	67.4	4.4	5.9	4.2	5.6	6.7	8.9	6.3	8.4
Merced	102.8	107.8	103.0	107.1	8.9	12.0	8.5	11.7	8.7	11.2	8.3	10.9
Modesto	235.5	242.9	233.7	240.1	18.9	25.5	18.4	25.2	8.0	10.5	7.9	10.5
Napa	75.0	76.3	75.4	76.5	3.0	4.1	2.9	4.0	4.0	5.3	3.9	5.2
Oxnard-Thousand Oaks-Ventura	428.3	428.7	429.6	430.6	22.9	30.4	22.7	30.1	5.4	7.1	5.3	7.0
Redding	85.1	87.3	85.2	87.7	6.0	8.3	5.8	8.3	7.0	9.6	6.8	9.5
Riverside-San Bernardino-Ontario	1,782.1	1,828.0	1,788.8	1,827.9	114.5	168.1	113.1	165.5	6.4	9.2	6.3	9.1
Sacramento—Arden-Arcade—Roseville	1,057.2	1,077.3	1,055.3	1,073.5	57.4	79.6	56.9	79.5	5.4	7.4	5.4	7.4
Salinas	217.6	220.5	216.2	218.2	11.4	14.8	10.9	14.3	5.2	6.7	5.0	6.6
San Diego-Carlsbad-San Marcos	1,546.4	1,581.1	1,543.9	1,573.8	74.9	102.5	74.7	100.6	4.8	6.5	4.8	6.4
San Francisco-Oakland-Fremont	2,235.3	2,278.5	2,236.7	2,272.6	104.7	142.3	101.7	138.6	4.7	6.2	4.5	6.1
San Jose-Sunnyvale-Santa Clara	883.5	906.1	881.1	901.9	44.1	59.3	43.4	58.8	5.0	6.5	4.9	6.5
San Luis Obispo-Paso Robles	136.2	137.7	136.8	138.2	6.2	8.6	6.0	8.4	4.5	6.2	4.4	6.1
Santa Barbara-Santa Maria-Goleta	218.2	220.8	216.2	219.5	9.3	12.2	9.2	12.2	4.2	5.5	4.3	5.6
Santa Cruz-Watsonville	150.2	153.9	149.1	152.0	7.2	9.6	6.9	9.2	4.8	6.2	4.6	6.1
Santa Rosa-Petaluma	260.6	268.2	264.8	269.7	12.0	16.4	11.7	15.8	4.6	6.1	4.4	5.8
Stockton	297.7	304.9	298.2	304.5	23.1	31.0	22.7	31.0	7.8	10.2	7.6	10.2
Vallejo-Fairfield	212.7	215.6	213.0	214.9	11.8	15.9	11.6	15.6	5.6	7.4	5.4	7.3
Visalia-Porterville	197.1	198.7	196.8	196.9	16.2	21.0	15.9	21.0	8.2	10.6	8.1	10.6
Yuba City	71.6	70.6	71.3	69.8	5.7	7.8	5.6	7.8	8.0	11.1	7.9	11.2
Colorado	2,722.8	2,767.0	2,740.0	2,762.1	100.9	143.1	103.1	136.1	3.7	5.2	3.8	4.9
Boulder	174.3	176.6	178.2	178.9	5.9	8.1	5.9	7.6	3.4	4.6	3.3	4.2
Colorado Springs	317.2	318.0	318.6	316.5	13.5	19.2	13.8	18.4	4.2	6.0	4.3	5.8
Denver-Aurora	1,385.4	1,402.3	1,395.7	1,401.5	52.7	75.7	54.4	72.7	3.8	5.4	3.9	5.2
Fort Collins-Loveland	176.8	178.4	179.8	180.0	5.8	7.9	5.8	7.4	3.3	4.4	3.2	4.1
Grand Junction	79.9	83.1	80.6	83.1	2.5	3.4	2.5	3.2	3.1	4.1	3.1	3.8
Greeley	119.9	123.5	121.8	124.2	4.8	6.6	4.8	6.3	4.0	5.3	4.0	5.1
Pueblo	72.6	74.0	73.5	74.3	3.4	4.9	3.4	4.6	4.7	6.6	4.6	6.2
Connecticut	1,883.5	1,912.0	1,862.3	1,886.7	85.9	123.3	83.2	111.6	4.6	6.5	4.5	5.9
Bridgeport-Stamford-Norwalk	483.2	489.3	473.9	480.9	20.2	29.3	19.4	26.6	4.2	6.0	4.1	5.5
Danbury	93.5	94.7	91.7	93.0	3.4	4.9	3.2	4.3	3.6	5.2	3.5	4.6
Hartford-West Hartford-East Hartford	589.3	601.9	584.5	595.7	27.8	39.7	26.7	35.7	4.7	6.6	4.6	6.0
New Haven	312.1	315.5	310.4	312.7	15.3	21.5	14.8	19.3	4.9	6.8	4.8	6.2
Norwich-New London	155.9	157.3	151.9	153.1	6.5	9.9	6.3	9.1	4.2	6.3	4.1	6.0
Waterbury	100.9	103.4	100.9	102.2	6.0	8.7	5.8	7.8	5.9	8.4	5.8	7.6

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Table 1. Civilian labor force and unemployment by state and metropolitan area—Continued

(Numbers in thousands)

State and area	Civilian labor force				Unemployed							
					Number				Percent of labor force			
	August		September		August		September		August		September	
	2007	2008	2007	2008 ^P	2007	2008	2007	2008 ^P	2007	2008	2007	2008 ^P
Delaware	442.0	449.7	438.9	441.9	14.1	22.0	14.0	20.9	3.2	4.9	3.2	4.7
Dover	73.9	75.4	73.7	73.9	2.4	3.9	2.3	3.4	3.3	5.2	3.1	4.6
District of Columbia	327.8	337.3	325.4	331.7	18.8	23.5	19.3	23.7	5.7	7.0	5.9	7.1
Washington-Arlington-Alexandria	2,987.4	3,054.7	2,982.6	3,014.8	91.7	124.6	90.2	119.4	3.1	4.1	3.0	4.0
Florida	9,162.6	9,388.9	9,206.8	9,367.2	405.6	643.7	409.5	638.1	4.4	6.9	4.4	6.8
Bradenton-Sarasota-Venice	330.9	334.2	333.3	335.1	15.2	24.5	16.1	25.1	4.6	7.3	4.8	7.5
Cape Coral-Fort Myers	283.1	284.9	283.9	284.6	15.0	25.8	16.2	26.2	5.3	9.1	5.7	9.2
Deltona-Daytona Beach-Ormond Beach	249.8	258.0	251.7	256.9	11.2	18.7	11.2	18.5	4.5	7.3	4.5	7.2
Fort Walton Beach-Crestview-Destin	99.7	100.6	98.7	99.6	3.1	4.8	3.0	4.8	3.1	4.8	3.0	4.8
Gainesville	133.1	138.2	137.3	141.3	4.3	6.7	4.1	6.4	3.3	4.9	3.0	4.6
Jacksonville	671.4	687.7	674.4	689.0	28.5	45.7	27.3	43.6	4.2	6.7	4.1	6.3
Lakeland-Winter Haven	269.3	273.3	271.6	272.8	14.0	21.5	14.1	21.4	5.2	7.9	5.2	7.9
Miami-Fort Lauderdale-Pompano Beach	2,826.3	2,888.4	2,833.7	2,875.1	119.1	185.8	119.8	182.6	4.2	6.4	4.2	6.3
Naples-Marco Island	148.4	149.8	149.1	149.7	8.4	12.7	8.8	12.5	5.7	8.5	5.9	8.4
Ocala	135.5	140.6	136.5	140.9	6.9	12.0	6.9	12.0	5.1	8.6	5.0	8.5
Orlando-Kissimmee	1,101.1	1,135.7	1,107.1	1,130.8	45.3	72.8	45.9	72.7	4.1	6.4	4.1	6.4
Palm Bay-Melbourne-Titusville	263.1	270.7	263.9	269.7	12.2	19.7	12.4	19.5	4.7	7.3	4.7	7.2
Palm Coast	30.8	32.0	30.9	31.8	2.1	3.3	2.2	3.3	6.8	10.4	7.0	10.3
Panama City-Lynn Haven	87.8	88.4	87.7	87.7	3.2	4.8	3.2	4.9	3.6	5.5	3.7	5.6
Pensacola-Ferry Pass-Brent	212.1	216.9	212.7	216.8	8.5	13.2	8.2	13.0	4.0	6.1	3.9	6.0
Port St. Lucie	185.3	193.6	187.0	193.7	11.5	17.9	11.9	18.0	6.2	9.2	6.4	9.3
Punta Gorda	67.5	68.8	68.0	69.1	4.0	6.4	4.3	6.6	5.8	9.2	6.3	9.5
Sebastian-Vero Beach	60.2	61.8	60.4	61.2	4.3	6.2	4.4	6.2	7.1	10.1	7.3	10.1
Tallahassee	184.3	187.7	189.0	191.0	6.4	9.9	6.2	9.6	3.5	5.3	3.3	5.0
Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater	1,347.4	1,371.0	1,352.2	1,363.9	60.2	95.9	61.1	96.0	4.5	7.0	4.5	7.0
Georgia	4,802.9	4,918.3	4,826.8	4,881.4	216.7	311.5	218.9	320.7	4.5	6.3	4.5	6.6
Albany	75.6	76.7	76.1	76.1	3.9	5.1	4.0	5.2	5.1	6.6	5.3	6.9
Athens-Clarke County	105.1	108.9	106.5	108.3	4.1	6.0	4.2	6.1	3.9	5.5	3.9	5.6
Atlanta-Sandy Springs-Marietta	2,727.8	2,793.6	2,736.7	2,768.4	119.5	174.2	120.7	179.0	4.4	6.2	4.4	6.5
Augusta-Richmond County	255.1	259.6	256.7	257.4	14.7	17.2	14.3	16.7	5.8	6.6	5.6	6.5
Brunswick	53.5	54.3	53.2	53.7	2.0	3.1	2.1	3.2	3.7	5.6	3.9	5.9
Columbus	128.4	130.3	128.4	129.6	6.8	8.7	6.7	8.9	5.3	6.7	5.2	6.9
Dalton	67.6	68.3	68.2	67.7	3.0	4.6	3.3	5.0	4.5	6.7	4.8	7.5
Gainesville	90.4	93.2	90.7	92.2	3.1	5.1	3.2	5.3	3.5	5.4	3.6	5.8
Hinesville-Fort Stewart	30.3	31.3	30.2	31.3	1.5	2.1	1.5	2.1	5.1	6.6	5.1	6.7
Macon	111.0	114.0	111.3	113.3	5.5	7.4	5.5	7.7	4.9	6.5	4.9	6.8
Rome	49.0	50.5	49.2	49.9	2.3	3.4	2.3	3.4	4.8	6.7	4.7	6.8
Savannah	178.0	182.8	178.6	181.6	7.0	10.6	6.9	10.4	3.9	5.8	3.9	5.7
Valdosta	68.0	69.0	68.4	68.2	2.7	4.0	2.8	4.1	4.0	5.7	4.0	6.1
Warner Robins	68.0	69.6	68.4	68.6	2.6	3.8	2.6	3.8	3.8	5.4	3.9	5.5
Hawaii	641.7	663.6	645.0	663.6	17.5	28.6	19.0	31.5	2.7	4.3	3.0	4.7
Honolulu	442.9	456.8	447.6	458.1	11.3	17.6	12.0	19.3	2.5	3.9	2.7	4.2
Idaho	757.1	759.7	756.3	758.0	17.7	31.7	15.1	32.3	2.3	4.2	2.0	4.3
Boise City-Nampa	295.7	292.7	293.7	291.5	7.3	13.6	6.3	14.1	2.5	4.6	2.2	4.8
Coeur d'Alene	71.1	71.1	70.5	70.5	1.5	3.1	1.4	3.2	2.1	4.4	2.0	4.5
Idaho Falls	62.0	63.7	62.2	63.9	1.1	1.9	0.9	2.1	1.7	3.0	1.5	3.3
Lewiston	28.7	28.2	29.0	28.3	0.9	1.4	0.8	1.3	3.1	4.8	2.6	4.5
Pocatello	43.6	43.2	44.4	43.7	1.3	1.8	0.9	1.8	2.9	4.2	2.0	4.2
Illinois	6,717.4	6,761.4	6,715.5	6,691.6	350.4	490.0	328.8	436.7	5.2	7.2	4.9	6.5
Bloomington-Normal	90.3	91.0	92.5	92.3	3.8	5.3	3.5	4.7	4.3	5.8	3.8	5.1
Champaign-Urbana	118.3	118.6	124.7	123.4	5.8	7.9	5.6	7.0	4.9	6.6	4.5	5.7
Chicago-Naperville-Joliet	4,910.9	4,960.3	4,896.1	4,900.8	245.5	349.5	231.8	308.3	5.0	7.0	4.7	6.3
Danville	38.1	38.5	38.4	38.4	2.7	3.4	2.4	3.2	7.1	8.9	6.4	8.4
Davenport-Moline-Rock Island	209.4	210.9	207.3	208.2	8.9	11.6	9.1	10.6	4.3	5.5	4.4	5.1
Decatur	55.8	56.2	55.7	55.6	3.6	4.6	3.2	4.1	6.5	8.3	5.7	7.4
Kankakee-Bradley	56.6	57.4	56.3	56.9	3.7	5.2	3.5	4.8	6.6	9.1	6.2	8.5
Peoria	205.5	207.9	205.7	206.8	9.9	13.0	9.1	11.7	4.8	6.2	4.4	5.7
Rockford	178.0	180.4	178.3	179.1	11.3	17.1	10.3	15.7	6.4	9.5	5.8	8.8
Springfield	119.3	118.9	115.8	115.8	5.9	7.9	5.3	7.1	5.0	6.6	4.6	6.1
Indiana	3,208.0	3,268.6	3,204.5	3,251.5	143.4	205.7	132.4	189.0	4.5	6.3	4.1	5.8
Anderson	60.5	60.8	60.2	60.6	3.9	4.6	3.4	4.1	6.4	7.6	5.6	6.7
Bloomington	91.9	96.5	96.7	97.9	3.6	4.9	3.3	4.4	4.0	5.1	3.4	4.5
Columbus	38.5	39.4	38.2	39.1	1.3	2.1	1.2	1.8	3.4	5.3	3.2	4.5
Elkhart-Goshen	101.9	103.6	101.2	102.8	4.5	9.2	4.3	9.5	4.4	8.9	4.2	9.3
Evansville	182.1	183.6	181.5	182.5	8.2	10.2	7.6	9.2	4.5	5.6	4.2	5.1
Fort Wayne	211.8	215.5	212.2	215.0	10.1	13.5	9.3	12.4	4.8	6.2	4.4	5.7
Indianapolis-Carmel	901.4	916.8	894.4	911.2	36.1	50.8	33.3	46.4	4.0	5.5	3.7	5.1
Kokomo	45.2	45.4	45.4	44.7	2.2	3.8	2.8	3.4	4.9	8.3	6.1	7.6
Lafayette	94.7	94.6	96.0	97.1	3.6	4.8	3.4	4.5	3.8	5.1	3.5	4.7
Michigan City-La Porte	52.3	53.6	52.4	53.3	2.5	3.3	2.3	3.0	4.8	6.2	4.4	5.6
Muncie	54.8	55.5	55.8	56.4	2.8	4.0	2.6	3.7	5.2	7.2	4.6	6.6
South Bend-Mishawaka	158.5	159.4	160.6	160.4	7.7	11.4	7.3	10.8	4.9	7.1	4.6	6.8

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Table 1. Civilian labor force and unemployment by state and metropolitan area—Continued

(Numbers in thousands)

State and area	Civilian labor force				Unemployed							
					Number				Percent of labor force			
	August		September		August		September		August		September	
	2007	2008	2007	2008 ^P	2007	2008	2007	2008 ^P	2007	2008	2007	2008 ^P
Indiana—Continued												
Terre Haute	79.1	79.5	79.5	79.6	4.3	5.8	3.7	5.0	5.4	7.3	4.7	6.3
Iowa	1,652.4	1,683.6	1,665.0	1,684.3	58.8	71.2	59.2	65.4	3.6	4.2	3.6	3.9
Ames	46.9	47.2	48.6	49.0	1.3	1.6	1.3	1.3	2.8	3.3	2.7	2.7
Cedar Rapids	140.9	145.2	142.5	145.8	5.2	6.5	5.3	5.7	3.7	4.5	3.7	3.9
Des Moines-West Des Moines	310.8	316.4	310.4	314.9	10.4	12.6	10.7	11.6	3.3	4.0	3.4	3.7
Dubuque	51.3	52.1	52.2	52.4	1.9	2.1	1.9	2.0	3.7	4.1	3.6	3.7
Iowa City	88.4	89.8	90.3	90.6	2.6	3.1	2.5	2.6	2.9	3.4	2.8	2.8
Sioux City	76.6	76.3	76.5	75.8	2.7	3.0	2.6	2.7	3.5	3.9	3.4	3.5
Waterloo-Cedar Falls	91.8	93.6	94.3	95.6	3.2	3.8	3.3	3.5	3.5	4.0	3.5	3.7
Kansas	1,469.2	1,493.2	1,475.5	1,495.9	59.7	70.0	58.6	72.1	4.1	4.7	4.0	4.8
Lawrence	60.3	61.2	62.5	62.9	2.1	2.5	2.1	2.6	3.5	4.1	3.4	4.2
Topeka	119.5	122.6	119.7	121.9	5.4	6.4	5.3	6.7	4.5	5.2	4.4	5.5
Wichita	311.5	313.0	311.8	314.5	12.4	14.3	12.2	14.8	4.0	4.6	3.9	4.7
Kentucky	2,035.6	2,045.7	2,043.9	2,045.6	104.2	133.3	103.6	136.9	5.1	6.5	5.1	6.7
Bowling Green	62.7	63.7	63.9	64.5	2.6	3.4	2.7	3.5	4.1	5.3	4.3	5.5
Elizabethtown	54.3	53.8	54.8	53.9	2.5	3.6	2.6	3.6	4.6	6.6	4.8	6.7
Lexington-Fayette	235.9	237.1	236.8	237.3	9.4	12.5	9.7	12.8	4.0	5.3	4.1	5.4
Louisville-Jefferson County	626.8	634.5	629.3	633.5	29.4	42.1	29.0	44.1	4.7	6.6	4.6	7.0
Owensboro	56.2	56.2	56.7	56.0	2.7	3.7	2.7	3.5	4.8	6.6	4.8	6.3
Louisiana	1,999.7	2,063.2	2,001.7	2,052.4	80.7	102.7	77.6	106.9	4.0	5.0	3.9	5.2
Alexandria	68.2	68.6	68.0	67.5	2.8	3.4	2.6	3.0	4.1	5.0	3.9	4.5
Baton Rouge	364.0	371.7	363.7	373.0	14.7	18.4	14.0	20.0	4.0	5.0	3.9	5.4
Houma-Bayou Cane-Thibodaux	101.8	105.0	101.9	104.1	2.8	3.4	2.8	5.9	2.8	3.2	2.7	5.6
Lafayette	132.6	135.6	131.6	134.2	3.9	4.7	3.8	4.5	2.9	3.5	2.9	3.3
Lake Charles	93.7	95.3	92.8	94.2	3.8	4.5	3.6	4.2	4.0	4.7	3.9	4.4
Monroe	80.6	81.6	80.9	80.6	4.0	4.7	3.7	4.2	4.9	5.7	4.5	5.2
New Orleans-Metairie-Kenner	507.4	528.8	505.2	527.7	18.4	24.9	17.9	27.8	3.6	4.7	3.5	5.3
Shreveport-Bossier City	176.9	186.9	179.9	184.2	8.4	10.6	8.0	9.6	4.7	5.7	4.5	5.2
Maine	717.1	726.6	705.0	710.7	28.8	34.1	30.2	35.1	4.0	4.7	4.3	4.9
Bangor	69.5	71.1	70.1	71.4	3.0	3.5	3.1	3.6	4.3	5.0	4.4	5.1
Lewiston-Auburn	57.5	58.2	57.1	57.7	2.4	3.0	2.6	3.0	4.2	5.1	4.5	5.3
Portland-South Portland-Biddeford	210.2	212.0	205.2	206.9	6.7	7.7	7.1	8.3	3.2	3.6	3.5	4.0
Maryland	2,985.1	3,038.9	2,979.0	2,992.5	105.9	135.7	102.7	133.6	3.5	4.5	3.4	4.5
Baltimore-Towson	1,399.6	1,418.1	1,396.6	1,400.2	52.8	67.9	50.5	66.2	3.8	4.8	3.6	4.7
Cumberland	48.2	48.9	48.4	48.8	2.3	2.5	2.1	2.4	4.8	5.2	4.4	5.0
Hagerstown-Martinsburg	120.5	122.7	120.6	121.8	5.2	6.2	4.9	6.1	4.3	5.1	4.1	5.0
Salisbury	64.2	65.8	63.8	65.0	2.4	3.3	2.4	3.5	3.8	5.1	3.8	5.4
Massachusetts	3,434.0	3,456.2	3,393.3	3,397.0	145.3	175.3	148.7	181.0	4.2	5.1	4.4	5.3
Barnstable Town	149.0	148.6	137.4	136.9	5.1	6.3	5.5	6.8	3.4	4.3	4.0	5.0
Boston-Cambridge-Quincy	2,492.3	2,520.6	2,469.5	2,483.7	98.1	119.6	101.4	123.6	3.9	4.7	4.1	5.0
Leominster-Fitchburg-Gardner	71.7	72.0	71.4	71.0	4.1	4.8	3.9	4.8	5.7	6.7	5.5	6.7
New Bedford	83.5	83.6	83.6	83.3	4.8	5.9	4.8	6.3	5.7	7.0	5.7	7.5
Pittsfield	40.3	40.3	38.5	38.4	1.5	1.8	1.5	1.9	3.7	4.4	4.0	4.9
Springfield	339.7	340.6	341.2	340.3	16.7	20.1	16.8	19.9	4.9	5.9	4.9	5.9
Worcester	290.1	289.7	288.7	286.1	13.6	16.2	13.7	16.5	4.7	5.6	4.8	5.8
Michigan	5,032.7	4,983.8	5,008.6	4,917.9	349.7	421.0	348.0	406.1	6.9	8.4	6.9	8.3
Ann Arbor	186.8	183.8	188.2	181.9	9.2	11.8	9.3	11.8	4.9	6.4	4.9	6.5
Battle Creek	70.0	68.1	69.2	67.2	4.6	5.5	4.6	5.5	6.5	8.0	6.7	8.2
Bay City	55.4	54.5	54.9	53.5	3.4	4.2	3.4	4.2	6.1	7.7	6.3	7.8
Detroit-Warren-Livonia	2,152.4	2,153.5	2,138.1	2,121.8	168.6	190.2	166.4	175.5	7.8	8.8	7.8	8.3
Flint	205.5	198.1	205.1	195.1	16.1	20.9	16.4	21.1	7.9	10.5	8.0	10.8
Grand Rapids-Wyoming	412.6	408.0	411.6	403.8	23.7	30.0	23.8	30.0	5.8	7.4	5.8	7.4
Holland-Grand Haven	136.7	134.2	137.1	133.0	7.2	9.6	7.5	9.6	5.3	7.2	5.5	7.2
Jackson	76.9	75.3	76.6	74.4	5.7	6.9	5.7	6.9	7.5	9.2	7.4	9.3
Kalamazoo-Portage	176.5	173.9	176.6	172.7	9.4	12.3	9.6	12.5	5.3	7.1	5.4	7.2
Lansing-East Lansing	244.8	239.6	248.9	240.4	13.7	17.1	14.0	17.1	5.6	7.1	5.6	7.1
Monroe	76.8	76.3	76.6	75.2	5.0	7.6	4.7	7.1	6.5	10.0	6.1	9.5
Muskegon-Norton Shores	90.8	90.4	90.5	89.1	6.4	8.2	6.4	8.2	7.1	9.1	7.1	9.2
Niles-Benton Harbor	82.8	81.0	81.1	80.3	5.1	6.7	5.1	6.8	6.1	8.3	6.3	8.4
Saginaw-Saginaw Township North	96.1	93.4	96.0	92.5	6.5	8.0	6.6	8.2	6.7	8.5	6.9	8.9
Minnesota	2,942.4	2,960.9	2,936.3	2,942.2	124.1	170.8	133.4	168.6	4.2	5.8	4.5	5.7
Duluth	144.4	145.5	145.8	146.1	7.3	9.5	7.5	9.0	5.1	6.5	5.1	6.2
Minneapolis-St. Paul-Bloomington	1,858.3	1,864.0	1,852.4	1,845.7	76.8	105.2	83.7	105.3	4.1	5.6	4.5	5.7
Rochester	105.7	106.1	105.0	105.1	3.8	5.0	4.1	5.0	3.6	4.7	3.9	4.7
St. Cloud	106.6	106.6	106.7	106.9	4.3	6.1	4.6	6.0	4.0	5.7	4.3	5.6
Mississippi	1,304.6	1,327.1	1,314.9	1,319.1	79.8	102.2	79.8	97.9	6.1	7.7	6.1	7.4
Gulfport-Biloxi	112.9	114.0	112.9	112.9	5.6	7.1	5.7	6.9	4.9	6.3	5.0	6.1
Hattiesburg	66.1	65.8	66.7	65.5	3.3	4.4	3.2	4.2	4.9	6.6	4.9	6.4

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Table 1. Civilian labor force and unemployment by state and metropolitan area—Continued

(Numbers in thousands)

State and area	Civilian labor force				Unemployed							
					Number				Percent of labor force			
	August		September		August		September		August		September	
	2007	2008	2007	2008 ^P	2007	2008	2007	2008 ^P	2007	2008	2007	2008 ^P
Mississippi—Continued												
Jackson	259.8	262.6	259.1	260.0	13.0	16.6	13.2	16.1	5.0	6.3	5.1	6.2
Pascagoula	69.2	71.3	69.3	70.8	3.9	5.2	3.8	5.0	5.6	7.2	5.5	7.0
Missouri	3,026.2	3,013.2	3,025.8	2,992.3	158.3	197.5	155.8	186.2	5.2	6.6	5.1	6.2
Columbia	90.5	90.2	92.5	91.8	3.5	4.2	3.6	4.1	3.9	4.7	3.9	4.5
Jefferson City	77.4	76.6	77.1	76.0	3.5	4.3	3.2	3.9	4.5	5.6	4.2	5.1
Joplin	83.9	83.0	84.2	83.6	4.0	4.8	4.0	4.5	4.8	5.8	4.7	5.4
Kansas City	1,047.5	1,046.3	1,037.6	1,036.2	52.8	65.4	52.7	63.4	5.0	6.3	5.1	6.1
St. Joseph	68.0	67.2	67.6	66.9	3.0	3.6	3.0	3.5	4.5	5.4	4.4	5.3
St. Louis ¹	1,454.1	1,437.5	1,447.3	1,428.3	82.0	104.2	78.2	96.9	5.6	7.3	5.4	6.8
Springfield	219.9	220.3	221.3	219.8	9.1	11.8	9.6	11.7	4.2	5.4	4.3	5.3
Montana	508.7	513.4	500.5	505.8	13.2	19.4	12.0	19.3	2.6	3.8	2.4	3.8
Billings	88.6	88.1	86.0	87.0	1.8	2.8	1.7	2.7	2.1	3.2	1.9	3.1
Great Falls	39.3	40.0	39.2	39.8	1.0	1.5	1.0	1.5	2.6	3.7	2.5	3.8
Missoula	59.8	58.5	58.3	58.1	1.5	2.2	1.4	2.2	2.5	3.8	2.4	3.8
Nebraska	983.4	999.5	979.3	990.8	28.7	32.6	27.1	31.4	2.9	3.3	2.8	3.2
Lincoln	167.1	169.2	167.2	168.9	4.6	5.1	4.3	5.1	2.7	3.0	2.6	3.0
Omaha-Council Bluffs	449.6	454.3	446.1	449.6	14.7	16.4	14.0	15.7	3.3	3.6	3.1	3.5
Nevada	1,335.8	1,407.2	1,346.3	1,411.8	64.8	97.6	66.8	102.2	4.9	6.9	5.0	7.2
Carson City	28.5	29.9	28.7	30.0	1.4	2.0	1.4	2.2	4.9	6.8	5.0	7.3
Las Vegas-Paradise	950.9	1,003.1	958.1	1,006.5	47.3	70.9	48.7	74.2	5.0	7.1	5.1	7.4
Reno-Sparks	227.2	235.3	229.3	236.2	9.8	15.6	10.2	16.3	4.3	6.6	4.5	6.9
New Hampshire	745.6	754.4	735.4	741.7	24.9	30.8	23.2	28.7	3.3	4.1	3.2	3.9
Manchester	107.0	108.0	106.9	107.6	3.6	4.5	3.3	4.4	3.4	4.2	3.1	4.0
Portsmouth	45.5	46.3	44.9	45.3	1.3	1.7	1.4	1.6	3.0	3.7	3.1	3.5
Rochester-Dover	81.4	83.7	82.0	83.4	2.7	3.4	2.6	3.0	3.3	4.0	3.1	3.6
New Jersey	4,475.2	4,563.1	4,441.6	4,511.4	182.5	262.1	180.6	251.3	4.1	5.7	4.1	5.6
Atlantic City-Hammonton	139.0	142.1	136.1	139.1	7.2	9.5	7.3	9.5	5.2	6.7	5.4	6.8
Ocean City	68.2	69.6	60.6	61.9	2.4	3.4	2.5	3.4	3.6	4.8	4.1	5.5
Trenton-Ewing	195.8	199.4	194.7	197.3	7.2	10.6	7.2	10.0	3.7	5.3	3.7	5.1
Vineland-Millville-Bridgeton	67.1	69.5	67.8	69.5	4.0	5.7	4.0	5.6	6.0	8.2	5.8	8.0
New Mexico	940.5	961.1	943.6	956.7	32.4	45.0	31.2	36.6	3.4	4.7	3.3	3.8
Albuquerque	404.9	411.1	405.8	409.5	14.2	19.9	13.9	16.7	3.5	4.8	3.4	4.1
Farmington	55.9	58.4	57.1	58.6	1.9	2.6	1.7	2.0	3.3	4.5	2.9	3.4
Las Cruces	86.7	89.5	87.8	89.9	3.1	4.2	3.0	3.4	3.5	4.7	3.4	3.8
Santa Fe	79.9	80.7	79.5	79.7	2.2	3.2	2.1	2.6	2.7	4.0	2.7	3.3
New York	9,599.0	9,705.2	9,481.9	9,598.8	431.6	542.6	423.4	542.2	4.5	5.6	4.5	5.6
Albany-Schenectady-Troy	458.7	461.3	450.4	454.3	17.1	23.0	17.3	23.6	3.7	5.0	3.8	5.2
Binghamton	122.5	123.0	122.4	123.3	4.9	6.8	5.0	7.0	4.0	5.5	4.1	5.7
Buffalo-Niagara Falls	580.8	587.7	574.3	582.4	25.9	35.2	25.6	35.3	4.5	6.0	4.5	6.1
Elmira	41.2	41.3	41.0	41.5	1.7	2.3	1.8	2.4	4.2	5.7	4.3	5.9
Glens Falls	71.5	71.4	67.3	68.2	2.5	3.5	2.5	3.7	3.5	4.8	3.7	5.4
Ithaca	52.9	53.4	55.8	56.3	1.8	2.5	1.9	2.5	3.4	4.7	3.3	4.5
Kingston	91.8	92.8	90.8	91.6	4.0	5.3	3.9	5.4	4.3	5.7	4.3	5.8
New York-Northern New Jersey-Long Island ...	9,361.7	9,507.8	9,281.9	9,414.0	420.0	535.5	408.0	521.2	4.5	5.6	4.4	5.5
New York City	3,861.3	3,917.3	3,841.6	3,897.0	205.3	229.8	193.8	224.1	5.3	5.9	5.0	5.7
Poughkeepsie-Newburgh-Middletown	328.1	332.0	322.1	326.5	12.9	18.1	13.4	18.8	3.9	5.4	4.2	5.7
Rochester	533.6	530.6	524.9	525.5	22.1	30.1	22.6	31.2	4.1	5.7	4.3	5.9
Syracuse	331.6	334.4	327.7	332.1	13.0	18.9	13.5	19.5	3.9	5.6	4.1	5.9
Utica-Rome	144.3	144.8	139.6	141.5	5.3	7.6	5.5	7.9	3.7	5.2	4.0	5.6
North Carolina	4,525.2	4,592.1	4,529.0	4,573.6	210.6	312.0	198.0	300.3	4.7	6.8	4.4	6.6
Asheville	205.1	207.6	207.0	207.3	7.0	11.4	6.9	10.8	3.4	5.5	3.3	5.2
Burlington	70.1	69.8	69.7	69.7	3.6	5.1	3.2	4.9	5.1	7.4	4.6	7.1
Charlotte-Gastonia-Concord	840.3	856.5	840.3	853.5	40.7	60.8	38.6	58.2	4.8	7.1	4.6	6.8
Durham	255.6	257.2	256.4	256.6	9.9	14.0	9.3	13.4	3.9	5.4	3.6	5.2
Fayetteville	145.4	146.9	146.7	147.8	7.7	10.3	7.2	10.0	5.3	7.0	4.9	6.7
Goldensboro	52.0	53.6	52.2	53.5	2.4	3.6	2.3	3.4	4.6	6.7	4.4	6.3
Greensboro-High Point	363.7	366.6	363.1	364.5	17.8	26.1	16.5	25.0	4.9	7.1	4.5	6.9
Greenville	87.3	89.2	87.8	88.8	4.6	6.6	4.1	6.2	5.2	7.4	4.7	7.0
Hickory-Lenoir-Morganton	172.1	171.5	171.9	170.9	10.1	14.4	9.4	13.9	5.9	8.4	5.5	8.1
Jacksonville	59.4	62.1	59.4	62.0	2.5	3.7	2.4	3.6	4.3	5.9	4.0	5.8
Raleigh-Cary	544.9	553.4	544.4	549.8	19.3	29.8	18.6	28.9	3.5	5.4	3.4	5.3
Rocky Mount	69.2	71.1	69.0	70.3	4.3	7.0	3.9	6.7	6.3	9.9	5.7	9.6
Wilmington	176.9	180.3	176.6	178.3	6.8	10.9	6.6	10.7	3.9	6.1	3.7	6.0
Winston-Salem	233.4	240.4	234.7	238.5	10.6	15.8	10.0	15.1	4.5	6.6	4.3	6.3
North Dakota	373.1	381.3	367.7	374.5	11.0	12.4	9.3	10.7	3.0	3.2	2.5	2.8
Bismarck	64.0	65.7	61.9	63.6	1.7	1.9	1.4	1.6	2.6	2.8	2.2	2.5
Fargo	121.0	122.7	119.9	121.4	3.1	3.8	2.9	3.4	2.5	3.1	2.4	2.8
Grand Forks	55.4	57.1	56.5	57.8	1.8	2.3	1.6	1.9	3.3	4.1	2.8	3.4

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Table 1. Civilian labor force and unemployment by state and metropolitan area—Continued

(Numbers in thousands)

State and area	Civilian labor force				Unemployed							
					Number				Percent of labor force			
	August		September		August		September		August		September	
	2007	2008	2007	2008 ^P	2007	2008	2007	2008 ^P	2007	2008	2007	2008 ^P
Puerto Rico	1,377.6	1,366.0	1,362.7	1,362.7	165.6	171.9	150.8	162.9	12.0	12.6	11.1	12.0
Aguadilla-Isabela-San Sebastian	113.7	113.7	111.4	112.8	15.4	15.6	13.8	14.6	13.5	13.7	12.4	12.9
Fajardo	29.4	28.9	29.1	28.3	4.4	4.2	4.0	4.1	15.0	14.6	13.7	14.3
Guayama	27.1	27.7	26.6	27.9	4.1	4.4	3.8	4.3	15.3	15.8	14.3	15.3
Mayaguez	37.4	37.8	37.0	37.2	4.9	5.2	4.4	4.8	13.1	13.9	11.8	13.0
Ponce	91.5	90.6	90.7	91.0	11.5	11.8	10.5	11.2	12.5	13.0	11.6	12.3
San German-Cabo Rojo	52.4	52.1	52.7	52.1	6.7	6.9	6.0	6.6	12.7	13.2	11.3	12.6
San Juan-Caguas-Guaynabo	930.9	916.4	921.8	914.8	103.9	108.4	95.0	102.9	11.2	11.8	10.3	11.2
Yauco	38.1	39.2	37.9	38.8	6.0	6.0	5.4	5.6	15.7	15.4	14.1	14.3

^P = preliminary.

¹ Area boundaries do not reflect official OMB definitions.

NOTE: Data refer to place of residence. Data for Puerto Rico are derived from a monthly household survey similar to the Current Population Survey. Area definitions are based on Office of Management and Budget Bulletin No. 08-01, dated November 20, 2007, and are available at <http://www.bls.gov/lau/lausmsa.htm>. Areas in the six New England states are Metropolitan New England

City and Town Areas (NECTAs), while areas in other states are county-based. Some metropolitan areas lie in two or more states. They are listed under the state that appears first in their titles. Davenport-Moline-Rock Island, Iowa-Ill., and Weirton-Steubenville, W.Va.-Ohio, are the exceptions in that they are listed under Illinois and Ohio, respectively, for operational reasons. Estimates for the latest month are subject to revision the following month.

Table 2. Civilian labor force and unemployment by state, selected metropolitan area, and metropolitan division ¹

(Numbers in thousands)

State, area, and division	Civilian labor force				Unemployed							
					Number				Percent of labor force			
	August		September		August		September		August		September	
	2007	2008	2007	2008 ^P	2007	2008	2007	2008 ^P	2007	2008	2007	2008 ^P
California	18,242.9	18,530.5	18,262.0	18,480.1	1,002.6	1,420.3	985.5	1,383.7	5.5	7.7	5.4	7.5
Los Angeles-Long Beach-Santa Ana	6,567.4	6,598.9	6,582.3	6,582.0	331.0	498.8	326.3	480.5	5.0	7.6	5.0	7.3
Los Angeles-Long Beach-Glendale	4,939.4	4,958.3	4,953.1	4,944.3	262.2	402.6	257.6	386.4	5.3	8.1	5.2	7.8
Santa Ana-Anaheim-Irvine	1,628.0	1,640.6	1,629.1	1,637.7	68.8	96.2	68.7	94.1	4.2	5.9	4.2	5.7
San Francisco-Oakland-Fremont	2,235.3	2,278.5	2,236.7	2,272.6	104.7	142.3	101.7	138.6	4.7	6.2	4.5	6.1
Oakland-Fremont-Hayward	1,282.7	1,300.2	1,283.5	1,297.2	64.2	88.7	62.9	87.1	5.0	6.8	4.9	6.7
San Francisco-San Mateo-Redwood City	952.6	978.2	953.2	975.3	40.5	53.6	38.9	51.5	4.3	5.5	4.1	5.3
District of Columbia	327.8	337.3	325.4	331.7	18.8	23.5	19.3	23.7	5.7	7.0	5.9	7.1
Washington-Arlington-Alexandria ²	2,987.4	3,054.7	2,982.6	3,014.8	91.7	124.6	90.2	119.4	3.1	4.1	3.0	4.0
Bethesda-Frederick-Gaithersburg ³	634.0	645.4	634.2	635.9	17.1	21.3	17.0	21.6	2.7	3.3	2.7	3.4
Washington-Arlington-Alexandria ²	2,353.4	2,409.3	2,348.4	2,379.0	74.6	103.4	73.2	97.8	3.2	4.3	3.1	4.1
Florida	9,162.6	9,388.9	9,206.8	9,367.2	405.6	643.7	409.5	638.1	4.4	6.9	4.4	6.8
Miami-Fort Lauderdale-Pompano Beach	2,826.3	2,888.4	2,833.7	2,875.1	119.1	185.8	119.8	182.6	4.2	6.4	4.2	6.3
Fort Lauderdale-Pompano Beach-Deerfield Beach	996.2	1,014.2	1,003.5	1,010.8	38.6	62.1	39.4	61.5	3.9	6.1	3.9	6.1
Miami-Miami Beach-Kendall	1,192.0	1,217.0	1,187.0	1,208.7	49.1	75.2	48.3	73.1	4.1	6.2	4.1	6.0
West Palm Beach-Boca Raton-Boynton Beach	638.1	657.2	643.2	655.7	31.4	48.5	32.1	48.0	4.9	7.4	5.0	7.3
Illinois	6,717.4	6,761.4	6,715.5	6,691.6	350.4	490.0	328.8	436.7	5.2	7.2	4.9	6.5
Chicago-Naperville-Joliet ²	4,910.9	4,960.3	4,896.1	4,900.8	245.5	349.5	231.8	308.3	5.0	7.0	4.7	6.3
Chicago-Naperville-Joliet	4,119.5	4,157.7	4,106.8	4,104.1	206.3	296.6	196.4	260.7	5.0	7.1	4.8	6.4
Gary ³	330.0	336.9	328.7	335.9	15.5	20.6	14.0	18.5	4.7	6.1	4.3	5.5
Lake County-Kenosha County ²	461.5	465.7	460.7	460.8	23.6	32.2	21.4	29.1	5.1	6.9	4.7	6.3
Massachusetts	3,434.0	3,456.2	3,393.3	3,397.0	145.3	175.3	148.7	181.0	4.2	5.1	4.4	5.3
Boston-Cambridge-Quincy ²	2,492.3	2,520.6	2,469.5	2,483.7	98.1	119.6	101.4	123.6	3.9	4.7	4.1	5.0
Boston-Cambridge-Quincy	1,509.0	1,527.0	1,493.4	1,502.9	56.3	68.0	59.7	71.8	3.7	4.5	4.0	4.8
Brockton-Bridgewater-Easton	125.0	126.1	123.9	124.1	6.1	7.3	6.1	7.4	4.9	5.8	5.0	6.0
Framingham	146.5	148.2	145.0	145.8	4.8	6.0	5.2	6.2	3.3	4.0	3.6	4.3
Haverhill-North Andover-Amesbury ²	121.6	122.1	120.4	120.7	5.0	6.3	5.0	6.3	4.1	5.2	4.1	5.2
Lawrence-Methuen-Salem ²	70.4	70.8	69.3	69.8	4.5	5.9	4.5	5.9	6.4	8.3	6.5	8.5
Lowell-Billerica-Chelmsford ²	152.3	153.5	150.9	151.6	6.7	8.3	6.7	8.4	4.4	5.4	4.4	5.6
Nashua ²	177.2	181.1	178.0	180.0	6.3	7.7	5.7	7.0	3.6	4.2	3.2	3.9
Peabody	127.5	128.4	126.1	126.3	5.5	6.5	5.7	6.9	4.3	5.1	4.6	5.4
Taunton-Norton-Raynham	63.0	63.2	62.7	62.6	2.8	3.6	2.8	3.6	4.5	5.7	4.5	5.7
Michigan	5,032.7	4,983.8	5,008.6	4,917.9	349.7	421.0	348.0	406.1	6.9	8.4	6.9	8.3
Detroit-Warren-Livonia	2,152.4	2,153.5	2,138.1	2,121.8	168.6	190.2	166.4	175.5	7.8	8.8	7.8	8.3
Detroit-Livonia-Dearborn	883.2	877.7	877.9	865.6	81.8	91.4	78.6	83.3	9.3	10.4	9.0	9.6
Warren-Troy-Farmington Hills	1,269.3	1,275.8	1,260.2	1,256.2	86.7	98.9	87.7	92.2	6.8	7.7	7.0	7.3
New York	9,599.0	9,705.2	9,481.9	9,598.8	431.6	542.6	423.4	542.2	4.5	5.6	4.5	5.6
New York-Northern New Jersey-Long Island ²	9,361.7	9,507.8	9,281.9	9,414.0	420.0	535.5	408.0	521.2	4.5	5.6	4.4	5.5
Edison-New Brunswick ³	1,202.4	1,222.1	1,186.9	1,202.9	44.1	64.7	43.5	61.8	3.7	5.3	3.7	5.1
Nassau-Suffolk	1,503.4	1,522.3	1,479.2	1,496.3	56.9	78.6	57.2	78.4	3.8	5.2	3.9	5.2
New York-White Plains-Wayne ²	5,569.1	5,655.8	5,533.9	5,617.1	274.4	328.2	262.7	319.7	4.9	5.8	4.7	5.7
Newark-Union ³	1,086.9	1,107.6	1,081.9	1,097.7	44.6	64.0	44.6	61.2	4.1	5.8	4.1	5.6
Pennsylvania	6,329.7	6,489.1	6,281.9	6,429.0	275.1	377.9	254.6	336.7	4.3	5.8	4.1	5.2
Philadelphia-Camden-Wilmington ²	2,956.6	3,009.7	2,934.4	2,980.1	127.0	177.7	122.5	165.2	4.3	5.9	4.2	5.5
Camden ³	655.2	670.0	653.0	663.8	27.1	39.1	27.2	37.7	4.1	5.8	4.2	5.7
Philadelphia	1,947.9	1,979.3	1,926.7	1,958.6	87.3	119.5	82.6	109.5	4.5	6.0	4.3	5.6
Wilmington ³	353.5	360.5	354.8	357.7	12.5	19.1	12.6	18.1	3.5	5.3	3.6	5.1
Texas	11,463.0	11,785.4	11,542.1	11,798.0	495.8	603.7	502.0	616.4	4.3	5.1	4.3	5.2
Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington	3,107.7	3,178.4	3,116.7	3,165.7	131.5	163.5	134.5	167.3	4.2	5.1	4.3	5.3
Dallas-Plano-Irving	2,077.7	2,124.4	2,081.8	2,112.7	88.6	111.2	91.1	114.0	4.3	5.2	4.4	5.4
Fort Worth-Arlington	1,030.0	1,054.0	1,034.9	1,053.0	42.8	52.2	43.4	53.3	4.2	5.0	4.2	5.1
Washington	3,404.4	3,480.8	3,430.2	3,496.7	145.4	198.8	143.3	186.8	4.3	5.7	4.2	5.3
Seattle-Tacoma-Bellevue	1,815.1	1,855.3	1,827.3	1,868.2	66.3	91.1	71.5	93.1	3.7	4.9	3.9	5.0
Seattle-Bellevue-Everett	1,432.8	1,458.8	1,440.4	1,468.7	48.3	66.0	54.1	69.6	3.4	4.5	3.8	4.7
Tacoma	382.3	396.5	386.8	399.5	18.0	25.1	17.3	23.5	4.7	6.3	4.5	5.9

^P = preliminary.

¹ These 11 areas contain all of the 34 metropolitan divisions.

² Part of the area (or division) is in one or more adjacent states.

³ All of the division is in one or more adjacent states.

NOTE: Data refer to place of residence. Area definitions are based on Office of Management and Budget Bulletin No. 08-01, dated November 20, 2007, and are available at <http://www.bls.gov/lau/lausmsa.htm>. Areas in the six New England states are Metropolitan New England City and Town Areas (NECTAs), while areas in other states are county-based. Some metropolitan areas lie in two or more states. They are listed under the state that corresponds to the first city in their title.

Metropolitan divisions are listed under their metropolitan areas. Some divisions lie in more than one state, and some, like Camden, N.J., are totally outside the states under which their metropolitan areas are listed. Three sets of metropolitan areas and divisions have similar or identical titles. For Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, D.C.-Va.-Md.-W.Va., the metropolitan area and division titles are identical. For the Boston-Cambridge-Quincy, Mass.-N.H., and Chicago-Naperville-Joliet, Ill.-Ind.-Wis., metropolitan areas, the division titles are similar but include only Massachusetts and Illinois, respectively. Estimates for the latest month are subject to revision the following month.

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Table 3. Employees on nonfarm payrolls by state and metropolitan area

(Numbers in thousands)

State and area	August		September		Change from September 2007 to September 2008 P	
	2007	2008	2007	2008P	Number	Percent
Alabama	2,005.0	2,009.4	2,013.6	2,011.9	-1.7	-0.1
Anniston-Oxford	53.0	53.5	53.5	53.8	.3	.6
Auburn-Opelika	55.5	56.6	56.3	56.7	.4	.7
Birmingham-Hoover	531.4	532.3	532.9	532.4	-.5	-.1
Decatur	58.4	58.6	59.4	58.9	-.5	-.8
Dothan	62.7	62.4	63.1	62.4	-.7	-1.1
Florence-Muscle Shoals	57.5	57.9	57.8	58.2	.4	.7
Huntsville	209.9	214.6	211.2	215.0	3.8	1.8
Mobile	182.2	183.6	183.4	184.0	.6	.3
Montgomery	180.2	181.2	180.1	181.7	1.6	.9
Tuscaloosa	97.7	98.0	98.5	98.6	.1	.1
Alaska	340.2	341.7	332.2	333.9	1.7	.5
Anchorage	172.0	173.6	172.2	173.3	1.1	.6
Arizona	2,653.4	2,603.3	2,670.4	2,611.2	-59.2	-2.2
Flagstaff	65.2	65.1	66.2	64.8	-1.4	-2.1
Lake Havasu City-Kingman	54.0	51.5	53.7	51.6	-2.1	-3.9
Phoenix-Mesa-Scottsdale	1,903.5	1,862.9	1,911.2	1,868.0	-43.2	-2.3
Prescott	65.6	64.0	65.5	63.9	-1.6	-2.4
Tucson	376.3	370.4	381.9	373.7	-8.2	-2.1
Yuma	51.4	51.1	52.2	51.2	-1.0	-1.9
Arkansas	1,197.9	1,200.2	1,211.3	1,213.8	2.5	.2
Fayetteville-Springdale-Rogers	206.8	208.1	208.7	210.5	1.8	.9
Fort Smith	125.7	125.6	126.9	127.1	.2	.2
Little Rock-North Little Rock-Conway	346.2	348.5	348.7	349.8	1.1	.3
California	15,132.2	15,049.4	15,193.2	15,103.5	-89.7	-6
Bakersfield	236.4	239.1	239.0	241.7	2.7	1.1
Chico	76.8	77.1	76.9	77.1	.2	.3
Fresno	307.0	304.7	306.5	305.9	-.6	-.2
Los Angeles-Long Beach-Santa Ana	5,595.2	5,543.8	5,628.3	5,575.1	-53.2	-9
Merced	59.4	60.3	59.5	60.4	.9	1.5
Modesto	163.7	162.6	162.9	161.4	-1.5	-.9
Napa	64.2	63.5	64.3	63.6	-.7	-1.1
Oxnard-Thousand Oaks-Ventura	294.8	286.1	295.3	288.3	-7.0	-2.4
Redding	66.3	65.4	66.6	66.0	-.6	-.9
Riverside-San Bernardino-Ontario	1,254.8	1,236.7	1,262.0	1,242.3	-19.7	-1.6
Sacramento-Arden-Arcade-Roseville	904.2	892.9	903.9	892.9	-11.0	-1.2
Salinas	129.3	130.6	129.3	130.6	1.3	1.0
San Diego-Carlsbad-San Marcos	1,310.1	1,304.5	1,308.3	1,303.2	-5.1	-.4
San Francisco-Oakland-Fremont	2,036.6	2,021.8	2,042.5	2,026.0	-16.5	-.8
San Jose-Sunnyvale-Santa Clara	909.8	910.1	908.1	908.8	.7	.1
San Luis Obispo-Paso Robles	103.8	102.1	103.7	102.4	-1.3	-1.3
Santa Barbara-Santa Maria-Goleta	173.3	171.8	172.7	172.4	-.3	-.2
Santa Cruz-Watsonville	96.0	96.5	95.9	96.3	.4	.4
Santa Rosa-Petaluma	188.7	189.4	191.8	191.1	-.7	-.4
Stockton	213.3	212.5	214.5	213.3	-1.2	-.6
Vallejo-Fairfield	127.7	125.7	128.1	125.7	-2.4	-1.9
Visalia-Porterville	112.4	110.9	113.9	111.6	-2.3	-2.0
Colorado	2,350.6	2,378.3	2,352.2	2,376.3	24.1	1.0
Boulder	164.2	166.8	167.6	169.7	2.1	1.3
Colorado Springs	263.6	264.3	263.6	263.9	-.3	-.1
Denver-Aurora	1,253.0	1,266.1	1,253.4	1,264.4	11.0	.9
Fort Collins-Loveland	139.0	139.8	140.5	141.2	.7	.5
Grand Junction	63.4	66.3	63.9	66.6	2.7	4.2
Greeley	82.0	83.6	83.4	84.9	1.5	1.8
Pueblo	58.3	59.0	58.8	59.3	.5	.9
Connecticut	1,689.8	1,692.9	1,704.0	1,703.9	-.1	.0
Bridgeport-Stamford-Norwalk	421.5	423.2	421.7	424.7	3.0	.7
Danbury	69.5	70.2	69.8	70.5	.7	1.0
Hartford-West Hartford-East Hartford	551.2	558.9	558.5	566.0	7.5	1.3
New Haven	272.6	272.4	277.9	277.2	-.7	-.3
Norwich-New London	138.7	138.9	137.4	137.5	.1	.1
Waterbury	66.3	67.3	68.2	68.3	.1	.1
Delaware	439.5	440.1	437.8	439.2	1.4	.3
Dover	65.3	65.2	66.0	65.4	-.6	-.9
District of Columbia	696.3	717.9	690.7	704.4	13.7	2.0
Washington-Arlington-Alexandria	2,980.8	3,025.7	2,992.3	3,033.0	40.7	1.4
Florida	7,992.9	7,879.7	7,984.7	7,865.0	-119.7	-1.5
Bradenton-Sarasota-Venice	294.7	285.8	293.6	285.5	-8.1	-2.8
Cape Coral-Fort Myers	223.8	214.9	222.3	214.7	-7.6	-3.4
Deltona-Daytona Beach-Ormond Beach	171.4	169.8	171.6	168.7	-2.9	-1.7
Fort Walton Beach-Crestview-Destin	87.0	84.5	85.4	83.7	-1.7	-2.0
Gainesville	132.2	133.6	135.8	137.1	1.3	1.0
Jacksonville	631.7	624.0	630.7	625.9	-4.8	-.8
Lakeland-Winter Haven	213.4	208.3	213.9	208.2	-5.7	-2.7
Miami-Fort Lauderdale-Pompano Beach	2,414.7	2,390.3	2,420.8	2,388.4	-32.4	-1.3

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Table 3. Employees on nonfarm payrolls by state and metropolitan area—Continued

(Numbers in thousands)

State and area	August		September		Change from September 2007 to September 2008 P	
	2007	2008	2007	2008P	Number	Percent
Florida—Continued						
Naples-Marco Island	126.6	122.4	125.7	121.9	-3.8	-3.0
Ocala	105.3	103.2	105.0	103.1	-1.9	-1.8
Orlando-Kissimmee	1,097.3	1,097.1	1,096.1	1,092.8	-3.3	-3
Palm Bay-Melbourne-Titusville	212.1	209.8	210.9	208.7	-2.2	-1.0
Panama City-Lynn Haven	78.0	76.0	77.2	75.3	-1.9	-2.5
Pensacola-Ferry Pass-Brent	175.8	174.2	175.4	173.9	-1.5	-9
Port St. Lucie	132.0	132.2	131.8	131.9	.1	.1
Tallahassee	176.1	174.2	179.7	177.5	-2.2	-1.2
Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater	1,297.0	1,276.4	1,292.5	1,269.8	-22.7	-1.8
Georgia						
Albany	64.9	64.1	64.7	63.7	-1.0	-1.5
Athens-Clarke County	82.8	84.1	83.7	84.2	.5	.6
Atlanta-Sandy Springs-Marietta	2,469.9	2,450.5	2,466.9	2,433.3	-33.6	-1.4
Augusta-Richmond County	215.6	216.1	217.0	215.5	-1.5	-7
Columbus	122.1	121.1	121.6	120.8	-.8	-7
Dalton	78.1	76.5	78.2	75.5	-2.7	-3.5
Gainesville	77.6	78.0	77.4	77.4	.0	.0
Macon	100.5	100.3	100.3	100.0	-.3	-3
Savannah	161.7	160.8	161.6	160.3	-1.3	-8
Valdosta	56.2	55.8	56.2	55.2	-1.0	-1.8
Warner Robins	58.8	58.6	58.9	58.2	-.7	-1.2
Hawaii						
Honolulu	448.6	449.3	454.9	452.8	-2.1	-5
Idaho						
Boise City-Nampa	666.4	659.3	667.5	658.6	-8.9	-1.3
Boise City-Nampa	278.5	275.8	278.1	274.6	-3.5	-1.3
Coeur d'Alene	59.3	59.0	58.5	58.8	.3	.5
Illinois						
Bloomington-Normal	89.8	90.3	92.3	92.9	.6	.7
Champaign-Urbana	108.3	107.7	114.6	114.3	-.3	-3
Chicago-Naperville-Joliet	4,593.6	4,585.0	4,587.8	4,587.3	-.5	.0
Davenport-Moline-Rock Island	191.0	190.9	189.1	190.2	1.1	.6
Decatur	55.5	55.5	55.8	55.7	-.1	-2
Peoria	188.4	189.9	188.7	190.7	2.0	1.1
Rockford	162.2	162.0	163.4	162.6	-.8	-5
Springfield	115.2	114.5	111.9	112.6	.7	.6
Indiana						
Bloomington	79.7	82.7	85.7	85.1	-.6	-.7
Elkhart-Goshen	130.5	125.7	130.4	125.1	-5.3	-4.1
Evansville	179.8	179.5	180.9	180.5	-.4	-.2
Fort Wayne	216.4	216.2	219.1	218.5	-.6	-.3
Indianapolis-Carmel	923.9	923.3	925.5	927.3	1.8	.2
Lafayette	93.7	91.9	96.3	96.0	-.3	-.3
Muncie	52.9	52.4	54.8	54.0	-.8	-1.5
South Bend-Mishawaka	142.3	139.9	146.5	143.0	-3.5	-2.4
Terre Haute	73.5	72.3	75.1	73.8	-1.3	-1.7
Iowa						
Cedar Rapids	136.3	137.6	137.7	139.2	1.5	1.1
Des Moines-West Des Moines	323.2	324.4	323.8	324.5	.7	.2
Dubuque	54.8	55.0	56.2	55.7	-.5	-.9
Iowa City	88.2	88.3	91.0	90.1	-.9	-1.0
Sioux City	74.4	73.3	74.8	73.6	-1.2	-1.6
Waterloo-Cedar Falls	87.8	88.5	90.7	91.0	.3	.3
Kansas						
Topeka	109.2	110.8	110.8	111.2	.4	.4
Wichita	300.2	298.3	305.0	303.7	-1.3	-.4
Kentucky						
Bowling Green	61.9	62.7	62.8	63.4	.6	1.0
Lexington-Fayette	256.1	256.9	256.8	257.4	.6	.2
Louisville-Jefferson County	627.4	629.2	631.3	627.0	-4.3	-7
Louisiana						
Alexandria	65.6	65.1	65.6	65.0	-.6	-.9
Baton Rouge	371.0	372.1	373.7	373.4	-.3	-.1
Houma-Bayou Cane-Thibodaux	95.4	97.6	95.9	94.8	-1.1	-1.1
Lafayette	150.2	152.3	150.2	151.9	1.7	1.1
Lake Charles	92.7	93.0	92.5	92.4	-.1	-.1
Monroe	78.6	78.7	79.8	78.7	-1.1	-1.4
New Orleans-Metairie-Kenner	516.3	528.5	517.5	525.9	8.4	1.6
Shreveport-Bossier City ¹	180.4	182.9	180.4	182.3	1.9	1.1
Maine						
Bangor	64.5	64.7	66.3	66.4	.1	.2
Portland-South Portland-Biddeford	199.6	199.9	197.6	198.4	.8	.4

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Table 3. Employees on nonfarm payrolls by state and metropolitan area—Continued

(Numbers in thousands)

State and area	August		September		Change from September 2007 to September 2008 P	
	2007	2008	2007	2008P	Number	Percent
Maryland	2,620.7	2,645.7	2,618.6	2,646.8	28.2	1.1
Baltimore-Towson	1,321.4	1,326.5	1,322.0	1,330.4	8.4	.6
Hagerstown-Martinsburg	102.2	102.6	102.5	103.3	.8	.8
Salisbury	55.8	55.5	56.1	56.3	.2	.4
Massachusetts	3,283.2	3,289.3	3,299.9	3,308.5	8.6	.3
Barnstable Town	113.6	112.6	105.1	104.5	-.6	-.6
Boston-Cambridge-Quincy	2,475.7	2,491.8	2,494.2	2,513.5	19.3	.8
New Bedford	65.1	64.8	67.1	66.3	-.8	-1.2
Springfield	293.4	292.8	298.9	298.0	-.9	-.3
Worcester	245.9	243.9	249.2	246.0	-3.2	-1.3
Michigan	4,246.7	4,171.9	4,297.2	4,214.2	-83.0	-1.9
Ann Arbor	194.2	193.3	200.3	197.0	-3.3	-1.6
Battle Creek	58.5	57.5	59.0	58.0	-1.0	-1.7
Detroit-Warren-Livonia	1,954.7	1,896.3	1,966.0	1,908.2	-57.8	-2.9
Flint	145.6	138.4	148.2	140.0	-8.2	-5.5
Grand Rapids-Wyoming	389.8	389.2	396.8	396.5	-.3	-.1
Holland-Grand Haven	112.4	110.5	115.2	113.0	-2.2	-1.9
Jackson	57.5	56.5	58.1	57.2	-.9	-1.5
Kalamazoo-Portage	144.5	142.8	148.6	146.9	-1.7	-1.1
Lansing-East Lansing	218.9	215.4	227.5	222.7	-4.8	-2.1
Muskegon-Norton Shores	65.3	65.1	66.2	65.7	-.5	-.8
Niles-Benton Harbor	67.1	65.6	66.7	66.6	-.1	-.1
Saginaw-Saginaw Township North	88.2	86.0	89.7	87.3	-2.4	-2.7
Minnesota	2,787.0	2,777.3	2,787.9	2,769.8	-18.1	-.6
Duluth	133.3	133.2	135.4	134.7	-.7	-.5
Minneapolis-St. Paul-Bloomington	1,800.9	1,801.3	1,805.2	1,792.4	-12.8	-.7
Rochester	108.2	109.1	108.1	108.5	.4	.4
St. Cloud	102.8	102.0	103.4	102.8	-.6	-.6
Mississippi	1,152.5	1,147.2	1,160.1	1,149.0	-11.1	-1.0
Gulfport-Biloxi	111.2	110.6	111.6	110.4	-1.2	-1.1
Hattiesburg	61.1	59.7	62.0	60.0	-2.0	-3.2
Jackson	261.7	261.3	262.3	260.7	-1.6	-.6
Pascagoula	57.9	59.1	58.5	59.3	.8	1.4
Missouri	2,788.9	2,769.0	2,817.4	2,801.8	-15.6	-.6
Columbia	90.1	91.0	93.7	94.2	.5	.5
Jefferson City	78.5	78.5	79.7	79.6	-.1	-.1
Joplin	78.8	79.1	80.6	81.5	.9	1.1
Kansas City	1,018.4	1,012.6	1,022.3	1,017.1	-5.2	-.5
St. Joseph	58.7	58.7	59.5	59.6	.1	.2
St. Louis ²	1,354.8	1,341.9	1,365.6	1,353.3	-12.3	-.9
Springfield	198.9	201.5	203.3	204.5	1.2	.6
Montana	455.4	457.9	450.5	456.6	6.1	1.4
Billings	81.6	83.1	81.2	82.6	1.4	1.7
Missoula	59.2	58.0	57.9	57.7	-.2	-.3
Nebraska	967.3	973.7	969.2	978.6	9.4	1.0
Lincoln	173.4	174.9	175.1	176.8	1.7	1.0
Omaha-Council Bluffs	468.1	470.2	468.0	470.4	2.4	.5
Nevada	1,287.9	1,279.1	1,291.7	1,284.1	-7.6	-.6
Las Vegas-Paradise	920.4	920.2	923.4	924.1	.7	.1
Reno-Sparks	225.3	220.3	226.5	221.7	-4.8	-2.1
New Hampshire	653.5	660.8	659.7	661.7	2.0	.3
Manchester	100.3	100.4	101.6	101.9	.3	.3
Portsmouth	57.6	58.4	57.3	57.6	.3	.5
Rochester-Dover	54.2	56.1	56.7	57.9	1.2	2.1
New Jersey	4,079.4	4,064.9	4,073.3	4,060.3	-13.0	-.3
Atlantic City-Hammonton	153.6	153.9	151.7	152.7	1.0	.7
Trenton-Ewing	236.6	236.1	237.2	236.8	-.4	-.2
Vineland-Millville-Bridgeton	60.6	59.4	62.1	60.7	-1.4	-2.3
New Mexico	844.3	849.2	850.4	854.3	3.9	.5
Albuquerque	396.0	394.9	396.9	396.2	-.7	-.2
Las Cruces	67.9	69.0	68.7	70.1	1.4	2.0
Santa Fe	66.9	66.3	66.6	66.0	-.6	-.9
New York	8,716.2	8,749.9	8,752.3	8,770.0	17.7	.2
Albany-Schenectady-Troy	447.3	448.0	449.1	449.5	.4	.1
Binghamton	112.6	112.4	115.0	114.6	-.4	-.3
Buffalo-Niagara Falls	544.6	547.3	550.6	552.7	2.1	.4
Glens Falls	58.5	57.7	55.4	55.5	.1	.2
Ithaca	59.8	59.9	64.5	64.7	.2	.3
Kingston	63.7	63.9	64.5	64.3	-.2	-.3
New York-Northern New Jersey-Long Island	8,556.1	8,587.5	8,581.5	8,601.7	20.2	.2
Poughkeepsie-Newburgh-Middletown	254.4	255.1	254.6	255.0	.4	.2
Rochester	513.3	506.2	515.3	510.0	-5.3	-1.0
Syracuse	323.6	323.0	326.0	326.3	.3	.1
Utica-Rome	135.5	134.7	133.2	133.6	.4	.3

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 3. Employees on nonfarm payrolls by state and metropolitan area—Continued

(Numbers in thousands)

State and area	August		September		Change from September 2007 to September 2008 P	
	2007	2008	2007	2008P	Number	Percent
North Carolina	4,159.4	4,170.4	4,184.7	4,183.3	-1.4	0.0
Asheville	177.8	179.9	179.9	180.9	1.0	.6
Burlington	61.8	61.1	61.8	61.6	-.2	-.3
Charlotte-Gastonia-Concord	861.0	875.0	864.7	878.2	13.5	1.6
Durham	288.7	292.5	291.1	293.8	2.7	.9
Fayetteville	126.0	127.8	127.9	129.6	1.7	1.3
Greensboro-High Point	372.7	375.4	373.8	376.0	2.2	.6
Greenville	76.9	78.5	78.1	78.8	.7	.9
Hickory-Lenoir-Morganton	162.8	161.3	163.6	161.9	-1.7	-1.0
Raleigh-Cary	521.6	532.6	522.0	531.7	9.7	1.9
Rocky Mount	64.5	65.1	64.8	64.7	-.1	-.2
Wilmington	149.3	152.1	149.5	151.2	1.7	1.1
Winston-Salem	216.5	224.4	218.7	224.1	5.4	2.5
North Dakota	353.5	358.5	363.7	367.7	4.0	1.1
Bismarck	59.8	61.1	60.3	61.6	1.3	2.2
Fargo	117.7	118.6	120.5	121.4	.9	.7
Grand Forks	51.7	52.8	54.6	55.5	.9	1.6
Ohio	5,435.8	5,414.1	5,449.6	5,430.0	-19.6	-.4
Akron	339.3	338.9	342.5	341.1	-1.4	-.4
Canton-Massillon	172.7	173.0	173.4	172.9	-.5	-.3
Cincinnati-Middletown	1,049.4	1,048.4	1,050.4	1,046.8	-3.6	-.3
Cleveland-Elyria-Mentor	1,073.9	1,068.5	1,073.6	1,065.8	-7.8	-.7
Columbus	947.9	954.0	945.0	951.9	6.9	.7
Dayton	402.4	398.3	404.8	399.9	-4.9	-1.2
Lima	55.5	56.1	55.9	55.9	.0	.0
Mansfield	57.5	56.7	57.1	56.5	-.6	-1.1
Springfield	52.0	51.7	52.4	51.6	-.8	-1.5
Toledo	329.1	322.6	333.0	325.3	-7.7	-2.3
Youngstown-Warren-Boardman	239.0	240.6	240.4	242.1	1.7	.7
Oklahoma	1,565.7	1,577.0	1,579.3	1,590.3	11.0	.7
Oklahoma City	564.3	572.2	570.6	579.2	8.6	1.5
Tulsa	428.3	425.7	427.4	425.3	-2.1	-.5
Oregon	1,733.7	1,727.3	1,742.4	1,729.6	-12.8	-.7
Bend	73.8	74.2	73.2	73.2	.0	.0
Eugene-Springfield	154.2	153.6	154.6	153.6	-1.0	-.6
Medford	83.6	83.0	86.2	85.0	-1.2	-1.4
Portland-Vancouver-Beaverton	1,033.9	1,035.6	1,040.6	1,039.9	-.7	-.1
Salem	154.2	154.3	155.5	155.5	.0	.0
Pennsylvania	5,778.5	5,775.2	5,816.2	5,810.2	-6.0	-.1
Allentown-Bethlehem-Easton	342.2	341.1	346.0	345.1	-.9	-.3
Altoona	62.9	62.5	62.9	62.5	-.4	-.6
Erie	133.4	133.3	134.5	134.3	-.2	-.1
Harrisburg-Carlisle	332.3	333.0	332.2	331.8	-.4	-.1
Johnstown	60.7	60.6	61.5	60.9	-.6	-1.0
Lancaster	238.6	239.8	239.8	241.2	1.4	.6
Philadelphia-Camden-Wilmington	2,797.6	2,796.7	2,810.8	2,809.5	-1.3	.0
Pittsburgh	1,144.4	1,149.0	1,152.4	1,159.4	7.0	.6
Reading	172.8	171.7	174.0	172.7	-1.3	-.7
Scranton—Wilkes-Barre	259.8	261.8	263.1	262.7	-.4	-.2
State College	72.1	72.4	74.7	74.8	.1	.1
Williamsport	52.6	52.4	53.6	53.5	-.1	-.2
York-Hanover	182.0	182.2	184.7	184.2	-.5	-.3
Rhode Island	492.6	479.8	496.0	482.8	-13.2	-2.7
Providence-Fall River-Warwick	580.8	567.9	585.0	572.9	-12.1	-2.1
South Carolina	1,969.7	1,964.9	1,963.4	1,950.5	-12.9	-.7
Anderson	64.3	63.3	64.8	63.5	-1.3	-2.0
Charleston-North Charleston-Summerville	301.5	301.2	300.3	298.4	-1.9	-.6
Columbia	368.4	367.2	370.0	365.2	-4.8	-1.3
Florence	90.7	91.1	90.9	90.9	.0	.0
Greenville-Mauldin-Easley	316.6	322.3	322.6	324.2	1.6	.5
Myrtle Beach-North Myrtle Beach-Conway	134.7	135.9	129.9	128.4	-1.5	-1.2
Spartanburg	124.6	127.5	125.4	128.0	2.6	2.1
South Dakota	415.5	421.4	411.3	417.3	6.0	1.5
Rapid City	64.7	65.7	61.8	62.6	.8	1.3
Sioux Falls	134.5	137.3	135.0	137.5	2.5	1.9
Tennessee	2,810.2	2,791.3	2,820.5	2,796.5	-24.0	-.9
Chattanooga	247.9	246.9	248.9	248.4	-.5	-.2
Clarksville	85.6	84.9	86.0	85.6	-.4	-.5
Jackson	62.3	62.6	62.7	62.6	-.1	-.2
Johnson City	80.9	81.2	82.1	82.2	.1	.1
Kingsport-Bristol-Bristol	122.8	123.3	122.3	122.8	.5	.4
Knoxville	339.5	339.0	340.8	339.8	-1.0	-.3
Memphis	644.8	638.1	647.7	639.4	-8.3	-1.3
Nashville-Davidson-Murfreesboro-Franklin	768.9	769.7	769.5	767.8	-1.7	-.2

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 3. Employees on nonfarm payrolls by state and metropolitan area—Continued

(Numbers in thousands)

State and area	August		September		Change from September 2007 to September 2008 P	
	2007	2008	2007	2008 ^P	Number	Percent
Texas	10,369.5	10,612.9	10,419.6	10,657.9	238.3	2.3
Abilene	65.6	66.6	66.1	67.0	.9	1.4
Amarillo	112.2	113.0	112.1	113.2	1.1	1.0
Austin-Round Rock	758.8	776.7	763.6	778.2	14.6	1.9
Beaumont-Port Arthur	162.2	164.8	164.4	165.2	.8	.5
Brownsville-Harlingen	122.8	124.3	122.9	125.3	2.4	2.0
College Station-Bryan	86.3	89.8	91.8	94.1	2.3	2.5
Corpus Christi	175.6	178.0	176.8	179.2	2.4	1.4
Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington	2,954.5	3,013.3	2,964.1	3,018.4	54.3	1.8
El Paso	268.3	276.8	274.1	280.1	6.0	2.2
Houston-Sugar Land-Baytown	2,561.6	2,617.1	2,571.0	2,626.7	55.7	2.2
Killeen-Temple-Fort Hood	121.6	123.8	122.0	124.6	2.6	2.1
Laredo	85.9	88.2	85.9	89.1	3.2	3.7
Longview	96.0	98.5	96.6	98.8	2.2	2.3
Lubbock	129.5	128.0	128.3	128.6	.3	.2
McAllen-Edinburg-Mission	207.5	214.3	209.9	216.8	6.9	3.3
Midland	66.1	67.8	66.7	67.9	1.2	1.8
Odessa	59.6	61.7	60.0	61.8	1.8	3.0
San Antonio	834.4	851.9	838.0	855.4	17.4	2.1
Texarkana	55.7	57.4	56.5	57.7	1.2	2.1
Tyler	93.1	94.6	93.5	94.7	1.2	1.3
Waco	109.5	111.3	110.0	111.6	1.6	1.5
Wichita Falls	62.1	63.6	63.2	63.6	.4	.6
Utah	1,254.2	1,255.5	1,264.1	1,265.4	1.3	.1
Ogden-Clearfield	203.5	202.7	203.2	202.2	-1.0	-5
Provo-Orem	188.4	186.3	193.0	191.2	-1.8	-9
St. George	53.6	52.3	54.3	52.5	-1.8	-3.3
Salt Lake City	642.0	644.7	641.4	643.9	2.5	.4
Vermont	302.3	302.1	310.0	309.4	-.6	-.2
Burlington-South Burlington	112.3	112.0	114.7	114.7	.0	.0
Virginia	3,752.3	3,772.4	3,770.0	3,790.4	20.4	.5
Blacksburg-Christiansburg-Radford	69.1	69.2	71.5	72.2	.7	1.0
Charlottesville	99.8	99.6	103.2	102.7	-.5	-.5
Harrisonburg	61.9	63.5	64.2	65.3	1.1	1.7
Lynchburg	107.7	110.2	109.3	111.7	2.4	2.2
Richmond	632.6	634.9	633.1	634.7	1.6	.3
Roanoke	163.0	164.0	163.3	164.2	.9	.6
Virginia Beach-Norfolk-Newport News	777.1	794.0	775.5	792.5	17.0	2.2
Winchester	57.9	59.5	58.3	59.3	1.0	1.7
Washington	2,940.6	2,974.7	2,962.8	2,977.4	14.6	.5
Bellingham	84.1	85.6	84.0	85.3	1.3	1.5
Bremerton-Silverdale	86.5	86.7	86.4	86.3	-.1	-.1
Kennewick-Pasco-Richland	91.9	94.2	92.5	94.5	2.0	2.2
Olympia	101.3	103.6	101.4	103.3	1.9	1.9
Seattle-Tacoma-Bellevue	1,744.1	1,786.6	1,752.8	1,786.7	33.9	1.9
Spokane	213.5	214.2	219.1	217.7	-1.4	-.6
Yakima	78.4	79.6	79.8	80.4	.6	.8
West Virginia	758.0	758.4	761.2	762.6	1.4	.2
Charleston	152.0	151.3	151.3	151.4	.1	.1
Huntington-Ashland	119.7	119.8	121.3	121.0	-.3	-.2
Morgantown	60.7	61.8	62.0	64.2	2.2	3.5
Parkersburg-Marietta-Vienna	73.5	72.9	74.1	73.2	-.9	-1.2
Wheeling	67.2	68.8	67.6	69.3	1.7	2.5
Wisconsin	2,904.0	2,887.3	2,902.7	2,878.4	-24.3	-.8
Appleton	121.0	120.5	119.1	118.7	-.4	-.3
Eau Claire	83.6	83.3	83.9	83.5	-.4	-.5
Green Bay	172.0	171.0	170.9	170.6	-.3	-.2
Janesville	70.8	68.5	70.5	68.4	-2.1	-3.0
La Crosse	74.6	73.3	75.0	74.1	-.9	-1.2
Madison	349.2	349.8	349.8	348.5	-1.3	-.4
Milwaukee-Waukesha-West Allis	861.6	853.1	860.0	849.7	-10.3	-1.2
Oshkosh-Neenah	93.6	93.9	94.1	93.4	-.7	-.7
Racine	80.5	79.6	80.5	79.1	-1.4	-1.7
Sheboygan	66.0	64.8	64.9	64.0	-.9	-1.4
Wausau	73.8	72.6	73.3	72.3	-1.0	-1.4
Wyoming	295.3	303.4	295.0	303.7	8.7	2.9
Cheyenne	44.6	45.4	44.9	45.2	.3	.7
Puerto Rico	1,017.0	990.9	1,022.1	995.3	-26.8	-2.6
Ponce	65.4	63.8	65.7	64.6	-1.1	-1.7
San Juan-Caguas-Guaynabo	761.0	741.5	763.9	743.0	-20.9	-2.7
Virgin Islands	46.1	46.6	45.9	46.5	.6	1.3

¹ The 2007 data for the months of July and August have been corrected in the BLS news release USDL 08-0977, "Regional State Employment and Unemployment: June 2008," issued on July 18, 2008.

² Area boundaries do not reflect official OMB definitions.

^P = preliminary.

^c = corrected.

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Table 4. Employees on nonfarm payrolls by state, selected metropolitan area, and metropolitan division

(Numbers in thousands)

State, area, and division	August		September		Change from September 2007 to September 2008 ^P	
	2007	2008	2007	2008 ^P	Number	Percent
California	15,132.2	15,049.4	15,193.2	15,103.5	-89.7	-0.6
Los Angeles-Long Beach-Santa Ana	5,595.2	5,543.8	5,628.3	5,575.1	-53.2	-.9
Los Angeles-Long Beach-Glendale	4,088.1	4,068.2	4,120.8	4,097.2	-23.6	-.6
Santa Ana-Anaheim-Irvine	1,507.1	1,475.6	1,507.5	1,477.9	-29.6	-2.0
San Francisco-Oakland-Fremont	2,036.6	2,021.8	2,042.5	2,026.0	-16.5	-.8
Oakland-Fremont-Hayward	1,046.4	1,025.7	1,049.1	1,027.7	-21.4	-2.0
San Francisco-San Mateo-Redwood City	990.2	996.1	993.4	998.3	4.9	.5
District of Columbia	696.3	717.9	690.7	704.4	13.7	2.0
Washington-Arlington-Alexandria ¹	2,980.8	3,025.7	2,992.3	3,033.0	40.7	1.4
Bethesda-Frederick-Gaithersburg ²	575.7	582.2	577.4	582.7	5.3	.9
Washington-Arlington-Alexandria ¹	2,405.1	2,443.5	2,414.9	2,450.3	35.4	1.5
Florida	7,992.9	7,879.7	7,984.7	7,865.0	-119.7	-1.5
Miami-Fort Lauderdale-Pompano Beach	2,414.7	2,390.3	2,420.8	2,388.4	-32.4	-1.3
Fort Lauderdale-Pompano Beach-Deerfield Beach	784.8	773.8	784.3	771.8	-12.5	-1.6
Miami-Miami Beach-Kendall	1,052.6	1,043.5	1,060.3	1,046.2	-14.1	-1.3
West Palm Beach-Boca Raton-Boynton Beach	577.3	573.0	576.2	570.4	-5.8	-1.0
Illinois	6,013.6	6,002.7	6,024.3	6,010.6	-13.7	-.2
Chicago-Naperville-Joliet ¹	4,593.6	4,585.0	4,587.8	4,587.3	-.5	.0
Chicago-Naperville-Joliet	3,907.5	3,895.5	3,898.9	3,896.2	-2.7	-.1
Gary ²	282.0	282.9	284.1	285.4	1.3	.5
Lake County-Kenosha County ¹	404.0	406.6	404.8	405.7	.9	.2
Massachusetts	3,283.2	3,289.3	3,299.9	3,308.5	8.6	.3
Boston-Cambridge-Quincy ¹	2,475.7	2,491.8	2,494.2	2,513.5	19.3	.8
Boston-Cambridge-Quincy	1,702.2	1,720.2	1,708.2	1,726.9	18.7	1.1
Brockton-Bridgewater-Easton	89.4	89.6	90.3	89.8	-.5	-.6
Framingham	157.1	158.7	157.7	159.3	1.6	1.0
Haverhill-North Andover-Amesbury ¹	78.4	78.1	79.3	78.9	-.4	-.5
Lowell-Billerica-Chelmsford ¹	118.6	118.3	120.0	119.8	-.2	-.2
Nashua ¹	130.0	133.8	134.4	135.9	1.5	1.1
Peabody	101.6	101.8	101.8	101.7	-.1	-.1
Michigan	4,246.7	4,171.9	4,297.2	4,214.2	-83.0	-1.9
Detroit-Warren-Livonia	1,954.7	1,896.3	1,966.0	1,908.2	-57.8	-2.9
Detroit-Livonia-Dearborn	775.5	741.2	784.2	750.4	-33.8	-4.3
Warren-Troy-Farmington Hills	1,179.2	1,155.1	1,181.8	1,157.8	-24.0	-2.0
New York	8,716.2	8,749.9	8,752.3	8,770.0	17.7	.2
New York-Northern New Jersey-Long Island ¹	8,556.1	8,587.5	8,581.5	8,601.7	20.2	.2
Edison-New Brunswick ²	1,054.2	1,047.9	1,045.0	1,040.3	-4.7	-.4
Nassau-Suffolk	1,263.2	1,271.6	1,269.2	1,272.9	3.7	.3
New York-White Plains-Wayne ¹	5,205.1	5,237.0	5,231.3	5,255.0	23.7	.5
Newark-Union ²	1,033.6	1,031.0	1,036.0	1,033.5	-2.5	-.2
Pennsylvania	5,778.5	5,775.2	5,816.2	5,810.2	-6.0	-.1
Philadelphia-Camden-Wilmington ¹	2,797.6	2,796.7	2,810.8	2,809.5	-1.3	.0
Camden ²	538.5	538.9	540.5	539.8	-.7	-.1
Philadelphia	1,907.9	1,905.6	1,916.2	1,915.4	-.8	.0
Wilmington ²	351.2	352.2	354.1	354.3	.2	.1
Texas	10,369.5	10,612.9	10,419.6	10,657.9	238.3	2.3
Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington	2,954.5	3,013.3	2,964.1	3,018.4	54.3	1.8
Dallas-Plano-Irving	2,082.0	2,125.2	2,087.9	2,127.1	39.2	1.9
Fort Worth-Arlington	872.5	888.1	876.2	891.3	15.1	1.7
Washington	2,940.6	2,974.7	2,962.8	2,977.4	14.6	.5
Seattle-Tacoma-Bellevue	1,744.1	1,786.6	1,752.8	1,786.7	33.9	1.9
Seattle-Bellevue-Everett	1,464.4	1,501.4	1,468.9	1,498.6	29.7	2.0
Tacoma	279.7	285.2	283.9	288.1	4.2	1.5

¹ Part of the area is in one or more adjacent states.

² All of the area is in one or more adjacent states.

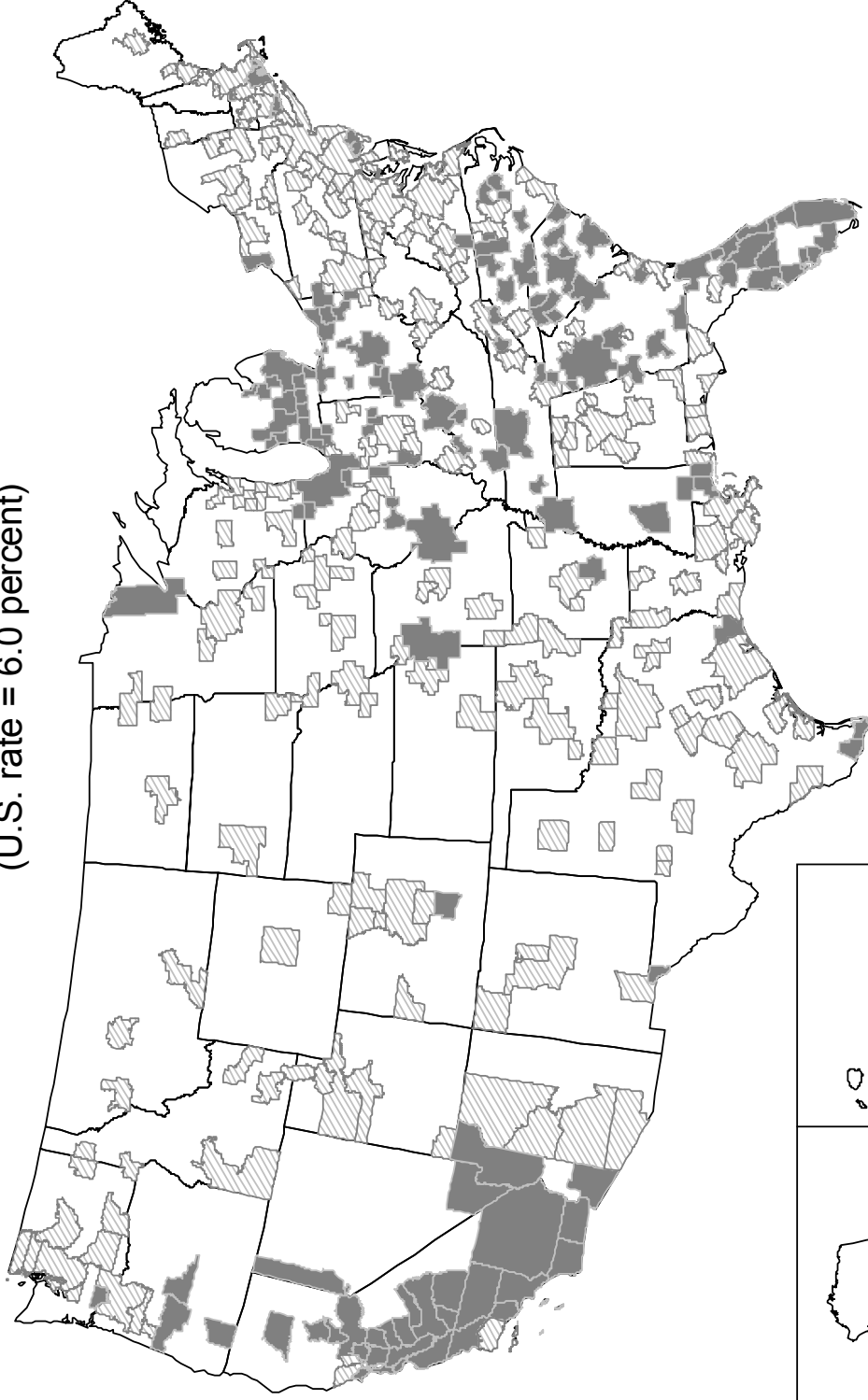
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(U.S. rate = 6.0 percent)



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