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Details of personal income in February and other recent periods are shown in Table 1. Table 2 shows BEA estimates of the disbursements of retroactive pay increases approved by the Pay Board that are included in the wage and salary component of personal income. Additional data appear each month in the Survey of Current Business, published by the Bureau of Economic Analysis.

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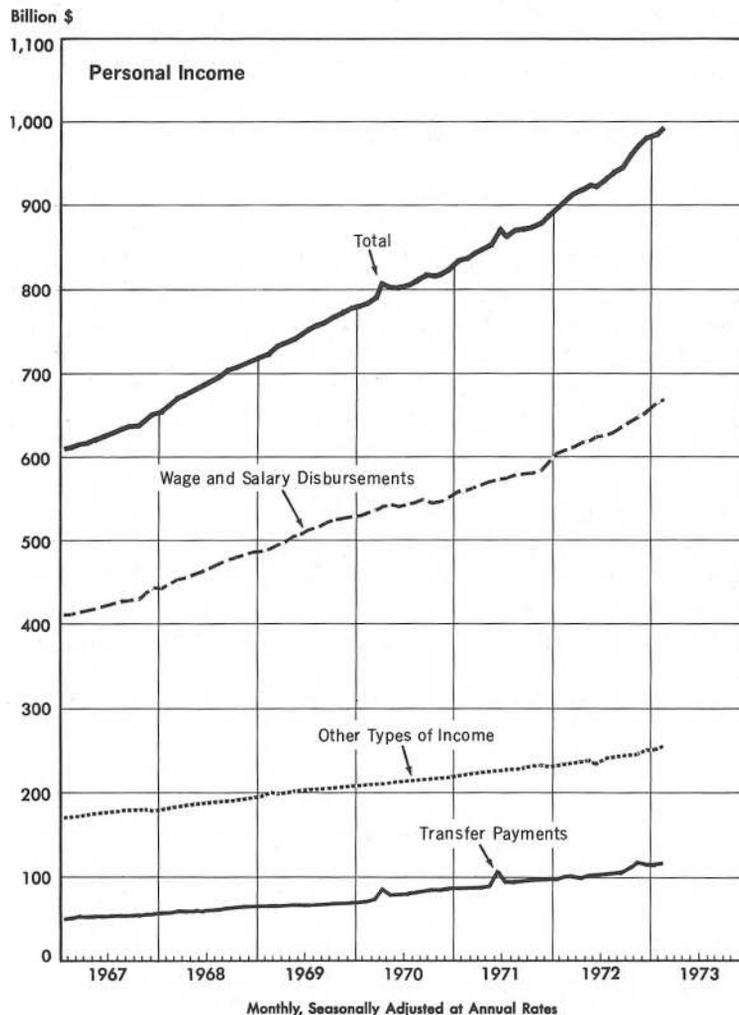


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 Personal Income
 (Annual rates in billion of dollars)

	Full Year 1972	Dec. 1972	Jan. 1973	Feb. 1973
Wage and salary disbursements, total	1.2	.3	.4	.2
Commodity-producing industries	.4	.3	.1	^{2/}
Manufacturing only	.4	.3	.1	^{2/}
Distributive industries	.4	^{2/}	.1	.1
Service industries	.1	.1	^{2/}	^{2/}
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Addendum:

Month to month changes in total wages and salaries excluding retroactive disbursements	6.7	7.7	5.9
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Table 1
PERSONAL INCOME

(Seasonally adjusted annual rates in billions of dollars)

	Full Year		Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.
	1971	1972	1971	1972	1972	1972	1973	1973
TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME.....	861.4	935.9	890.4	898.9	908.5	982.9	985.6	993.9
Wage and salary disbursements, total.....	572.9	627.0	594.3	602.6	609.0	654.9	662.7	668.4
Commodity-producing industries.....	206.1	224.6	213.1	214.8	217.7	235.8	237.7	240.8
Manufacturing only.....	160.3	175.8	165.1	165.8	169.3	186.2	187.0	189.4
Distributive industries.....	138.2	151.5	143.8	145.5	148.1	158.0	159.5	159.9
Service industries.....	105.0	116.1	109.4	111.2	111.6	121.5	123.0	124.0
Government.....	123.5	134.8	128.0	131.2	131.7	139.7	142.5	143.7
Other labor income.....	36.5	40.3	38.3	38.5	38.8	42.1	42.4	42.7
Proprietors' income:								
Business and professional.....	52.6	55.6	53.9	54.0	54.1	57.8	58.2	58.7
Farm.....	17.3	19.6	18.1	18.6	19.1	22.0	21.8	21.8
Rental income of persons.....	24.5	25.6	25.1	25.1	25.2	26.9	26.6	26.6
Dividends.....	25.4	26.4	24.6	26.0	26.1	26.8	27.1	27.3
Personal interest income.....	69.6	72.9	70.7	70.8	71.0	75.4	75.9	76.2
Transfer payments ¹	93.6	104.0	97.6	97.6	100.0	113.6	113.3	115.1
Less: Personal contributions for social insurance.....	31.2	35.5	32.3	34.3	34.7	36.6	42.4	42.8
Addenda:								
Total nonagricultural income ²	837.2	909.3	865.0	873.4	882.4	953.9	956.6	964.9
Total agricultural income.....	24.2	26.6	25.4	25.6	26.0	29.0	29.0	29.1

1. Consist mainly of social insurance benefits, direct relief and veterans' payments.

2. Equals personal income exclusive of net income of unincorporated farm enterprises, farm wages, agricultural net interest, and net dividends paid by agricultural corporations.

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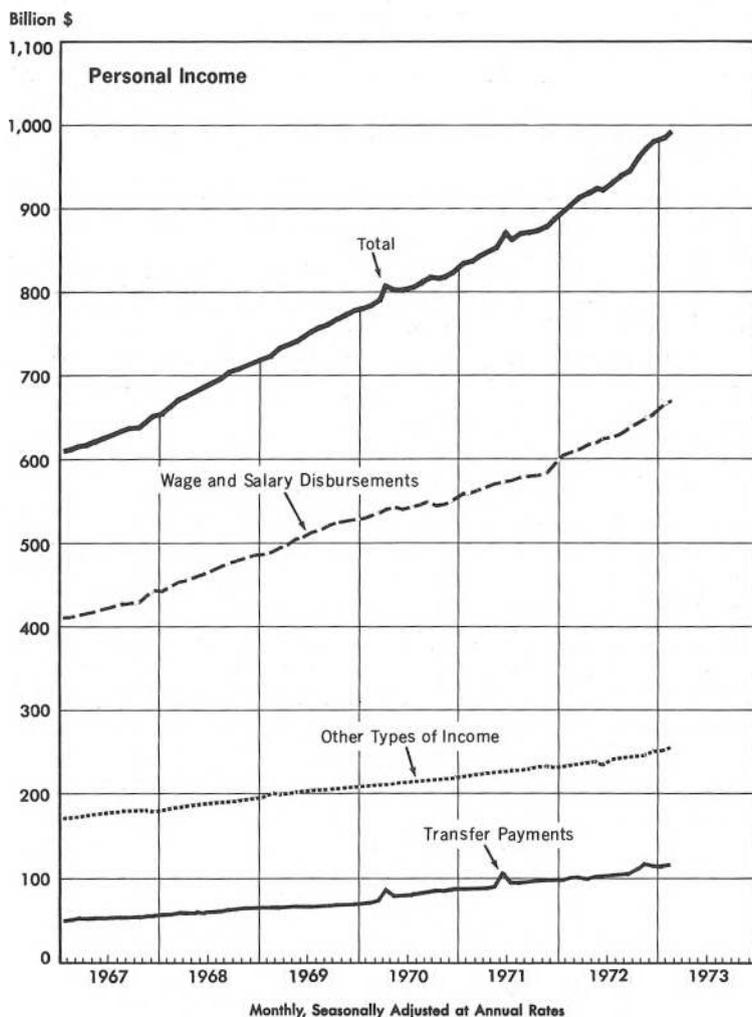


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