



THE WORKS PROGRAM

-- Works Progress Administration --

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Slight Decline Shown in WPA Employment for Week Ending September 4.

Administrator Harry L. Hopkins today announced that 1,468,899 workers were employed on projects of the Works Progress Administration during the week ending September 4.

This was a decline of 13,808 from the previous week, when employment totaled 1,482,707. Slight increases were registered during this period in 16 States, New York City and the Territory of Hawaii.

During the last three months, the rolls showed an average weekly decline of nearly 38,000.

(Employment by States for the weeks ending August 28 and September 4 are shown in the attached table.)

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Weeks Ending September 4 and August 28, 1937

(Partly Estimated - Subject to Revision)

State	Number of Persons Employed		Increase or Decrease (-)
	Week Ending September 4	Week Ending August 28	
GRAND TOTAL	1,468,899	1,482,707	- 13,808
CONTINENTAL UNITED STATES	1,466,631	1,480,452	- 13,821
Alabama	18,232	18,498	- 266
Arizona	6,342	6,387	- 45
Arkansas	19,355	19,942	- 587
California	71,778	73,185	- 1,407
Colorado	15,251	15,499	- 248
Connecticut	12,908	13,343	- 435
Delaware	1,680	1,666	+ 14
District of Columbia	5,590	5,590	-
Florida	22,812	23,486	- 674
Georgia	21,686	22,207	- 521
Idaho	3,901	4,024	- 123
Illinois	105,939	107,810	- 1,871
Indiana	41,908	42,261	- 353
Iowa	16,126	16,083	+ 43
Kansas	24,039	24,169	- 130
Kentucky	36,173	36,518	- 345
Louisiana	21,455	21,919	- 464
Maine	2,179	2,187	- 8
Maryland	8,802	9,064	- 262
Massachusetts	60,896	60,748	+ 148
Michigan	43,196	43,763	- 567
Minnesota	31,403	31,417	- 14
Mississippi	16,064	15,935	+ 129
Missouri	49,297	49,886	- 589
Montana	10,325	9,310	+ 1,015
Nebraska	16,470	16,685	- 215
Nevada	1,324	1,051	+ 273
New Hampshire	4,539	4,509	+ 30
New Jersey	56,042	55,734	+ 308
New Mexico	6,467	6,455	+ 12
New York City	138,901	138,007	+ 894
New York (Excl. N.Y.C.)	56,669	57,053	- 384
North Carolina	19,082	19,132	- 50
North Dakota	8,658	8,292	+ 366
Ohio	82,635	83,860	- 1,175
Oklahoma	39,093	37,575	+ 1,518
Oregon	9,630	9,824	- 194
Pennsylvania	150,017	152,582	- 2,565
Rhode Island	8,933	8,969	- 36
South Carolina	16,489	16,637	- 148
South Dakota	9,334	9,016	+ 318
Tennessee	18,685	19,183	- 498
Texas	47,866	52,100	- 4,234
Utah	6,353	6,257	+ 96
Vermont	1,889	1,889	-
Virginia	16,651	16,557	+ 94
Washington	19,845	20,085	- 240
West Virginia	27,476	27,450	+ 26
Wisconsin	34,456	34,917	- 461
Wyoming	1,740	1,736	+ 4
Alaska	13	13	-
Hawaii	2,255	2,242	+ 13