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THE EMPLOYMENT SITUATION: APRIL 1966

The Nation's job situation showed continued strength between March and April, the U. S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics reported today. There was further improvement in the unemployment picture for adult men in April, while the changes for women and teenagers were mainly seasonal. The unemployment rate was 3.7 percent in April, continuing the gradual but persistent decline evident since the 4.8 percent level of April 1965.

The number of employees on nonfarm payrolls increased by 650,000 to 62.5 million in April. Although the rise in payroll employment was no greater than seasonal expectations, it followed six months of unusually rapid expansion. Nonfarm employment was up by 3 million from a year ago, with manufacturing industries accounting for one-third of the increase.

Unemployment

At 2.8 million in April, unemployment was down 200,000 from a month earlier and 750,000 below the April 1965 level. About 2.3 million unemployed persons were seeking full-time work in April, while 500,000 were looking for part-time jobs.

The number of unemployed adult men dropped by 300,000 (100,000 more than seasonal) between March and April. The unemployment rate for adult men dropped to 2.4 percent in April, down from the 2.6 percent level at which it had remained since December 1965. This was the lowest jobless rate for adult men in more than 12 years. The rate for married men was 1.8 percent in April, the fifth consecutive month that this important rate has been below 2 percent.

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Insured unemployment under State programs was down by 300,000 over the month to about 1.1 million--a somewhat greater-than-seasonal drop for this time of year. Except for Delaware, declines occurred in all States, including reductions of more than 20,000 in California, New York, and Pennsylvania. The adjusted rate of insured joblessness was down to 2.2 percent in April--the lowest for any month since November 1952.

The jobless rate for adult women continued at 3.6 percent, equal to the lows recorded during the 1955-57 expansion. The teenage rate has remained between 11 and 12 percent during the first 4 months of 1966. While this was the lowest teenage rate since late 1957, it was still triple the total rate.

Long-term unemployment of 15 weeks or more--at 800,000 or 0.8 percent of the labor force--showed little change between March and April, but was down 250,000 over the year.

Unemployment among nonwhite workers totaled 550,000 in April, and their jobless rate was 7.0 percent, continuing at about twice the rate for white workers.

Total Employment and Labor Force

At 73.1 million, total employment was up 1.1 million from March. There was a 400,000 pickup in agricultural employment, as the farm season got under way, and a 700,000 advance in nonagricultural employment. Both increases exceeded seasonal expectations.

Included in April's employment total were 1.5 million nonagricultural workers on part time for economic reasons. The number of these involuntary part-time workers was down 300,000 over the year and at its lowest seasonally adjusted level since the series began in May 1955. At the same time, there has been a substantial pickup in voluntary part-time employment, reflecting employers' willingness to hire adult women and teenagers on a part-time basis.

The total labor force, at 78.9 million in April, was up 1.6 million from a year earlier. The Armed Forces have increased by about 300,000 since April 1965, while the civilian labor force expanded by 1.3 million.

Industry Employment Trends

Nonfarm payroll employment rose by 650,000 (about the expected seasonal increase) to 62.5 million in April. However, between 50,000 and 100,000 persons were off payrolls in April because of strikes in mining and construction. Since April 1965, the number of employees on nonfarm payrolls has expanded by nearly 3 million, continuing the very substantial year-to-year gains recorded in the first quarter of 1966.

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After seasonal adjustment, employment rose in manufacturing and government, declined in construction, trade, and mining, and showed little change in the other sectors. The seasonally adjusted rise in manufacturing employment (60,000) was concentrated in durable goods, particularly electrical equipment and transportation equipment. Although employment in electrical equipment has been moving up strongly in the past year, the April increase (35,000 seasonally adjusted) was unusually large because approximately 15,000 workers returned to work from strike.

Production worker employment in manufacturing (seasonally adjusted) topped 14 million in April, but was still nearly 300,000 below the peak recorded during the Korean conflict.

Employment in contract construction rose by almost 200,000 to 3.2 million in April. The increase was less than usual for this time of year because of scattered strikes and bad weather. Over the year, construction employment was up by 200,000. Mining employment was also held down in April because of a strike which affected approximately 40,000 bituminous coal miners.

One million of the over-the-year gain in payroll employment took place in manufacturing. Four industries--fabricated metals, machinery, electrical equipment and transportation equipment--together accounted for 625,000 of the manufacturing rise.

Since April 1965, government employment has increased by 750,000--four-fifths at the State and local level. Employment in trade and miscellaneous services advanced by 400,000 and 450,000, respectively, in the past year.

Factory Hours and Earnings

The factory workweek fell seasonally by 0.2 hour to 41.2 hours in April. After seasonal adjustment, the factory workweek has remained high, but relatively stable during 1966. Overtime hours, seasonally adjusted, continued at 4.2 hours for the third consecutive month. Hours were especially high in the durable goods industries, including ordnance, fabricated metals, machinery, transportation equipment, instruments, and stone, clay, and glass.

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Average hourly earnings of factory workers moved up 1 cent to \$2.69--9 cents higher than a year ago and at a new all-time high. However, with the decline in the workweek, average weekly earnings amounted to \$110.83, down slightly from the March high of \$110.95.

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This release presents and analyzes statistics from two major surveys. Data on labor force, total employment, and unemployment are derived from the sample survey of households conducted and tabulated by the Bureau of the Census for the Bureau of Labor Statistics. Statistics on industry employment, hours, and earnings are collected by State agencies from payroll records of employers and are tabulated by the Bureau of Labor Statistics. A description of the two surveys appears in the BLS publication Employment and Earnings and Monthly Report on the Labor Force.

Table A-1: Employment status of the noninstitutional population, by age and sex
(In thousands)

Employment status, age, and sex	Apr. 1966	Mar. 1966	Apr. 1965	Seasonally adjusted				
				Apr. 1966	Mar. 1966	Feb. 1966	Jan. 1966	Dec. 1965
Total								
Total labor force	78,914	78,034	77,307	79,674	79,315	79,279	79,644	79,408
Civilian labor force	75,906	75,060	74,621	76,666	76,341	76,355	76,754	76,567
Employed	73,105	72,023	71,069	73,799	73,435	73,521	73,715	73,441
Agriculture	4,204	3,780	4,473	4,482	4,363	4,442	4,429	4,486
Nonagricultural industries	68,900	68,244	66,596	69,317	69,072	69,079	69,286	68,955
On part time for economic reasons	1,507	1,569	1,783	1,571	1,622	1,681	1,819	1,745
Usually work full time	796	826	862	776	820	899	902	766
Usually work part time	711	743	921	795	802	782	917	979
Unemployed	2,802	3,037	3,552	2,867	2,906	2,834	3,039	3,126
Men, 20 years and over								
Civilian labor force	44,684	44,521	44,835	44,836	44,822	44,823	44,788	44,751
Employed	43,582	43,129	43,249	43,772	43,664	43,680	43,604	43,579
Agriculture	3,008	2,843	3,234	3,035	2,980	2,990	2,936	3,035
Nonagricultural industries	40,574	40,277	40,015	40,737	40,684	40,690	40,668	40,544
Unemployed	1,102	1,402	1,586	1,064	1,158	1,143	1,184	1,172
Women, 20 years and over								
Civilian labor force	24,248	24,034	23,646	24,000	23,899	24,016	24,145	24,121
Employed	23,409	23,149	22,613	23,133	23,045	23,145	23,229	23,157
Agriculture	623	523	676	728	732	754	765	769
Nonagricultural industries	22,786	22,625	21,937	22,405	22,313	22,391	22,463	22,388
Unemployed	838	886	1,033	867	854	871	917	964
Both sexes, 14-19 years								
Civilian labor force	6,974	6,504	6,140	7,830	7,620	7,516	7,821	7,695
Employed	6,113	5,755	5,207	6,894	6,726	6,696	6,883	6,705
Agriculture	574	414	563	719	651	698	728	682
Nonagricultural industries	5,541	5,341	4,644	6,175	6,075	5,998	6,155	6,023
Unemployed	861	749	933	936	894	820	938	990

Table A-2: Major unemployment indicators

Selected categories	Thousands of persons unemployed	Seasonally adjusted rates of unemployment					
	Apr. 1966	Apr. 1966	Mar. 1966	Feb. 1966	Jan. 1966	Dec. 1965	Apr. 1965
Total (all civilian workers) . . .	2,802	3.7	3.8	3.7	4.0	4.1	4.8
Men, 20 years and over	1,102	2.4	2.6	2.6	2.6	2.6	3.4
20-24 years	207	4.3	5.0	4.4	4.2	5.1	7.1
25 years and over	895	2.1	2.3	2.3	2.5	2.3	3.0
Women, 20 years and over	838	3.6	3.6	3.6	3.8	4.0	4.6
Both sexes, 14-19 years	861	12.0	11.7	10.9	12.0	12.9	14.7
White	2,238	3.4	3.4	3.3	3.5	3.7	4.4
Nonwhite	564	7.0	7.2	7.0	7.0	7.5	8.2
Married men	709	1.8	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.8	2.5
Full-time workers ¹	2,288	3.4	3.4	3.3	3.4	3.5	4.5
Blue-collar workers ²	1,161	4.0	4.2	4.0	4.2	4.4	5.7
Unemployed 15 weeks and over ³	779	.8	.8	.8	.9	.9	1.1
State insured ⁴	1,067	2.2	2.4	2.7	2.8	2.5	3.2
Labor force time lost ⁵ . . . . .	...	4.1	4.1	4.0	4.3	4.4	5.3

¹Adjusted by provisional seasonal factors.

²Craftsmen, operatives, and nonfarm laborers.

³Rates based on civilian labor force.

⁴Insured unemployment under State programs as a percent of average covered employment.

⁵Labor force time lost is a percentage representing the man-hours lost by the unemployed and those on part time for economic reasons.

Table A-3: Unemployed persons by duration of unemployment

(In thousands)

Duration of unemployment	Apr. 1966	Mar. 1966	Apr. 1965	Seasonally adjusted				
				Apr. 1966	Mar. 1966	Feb. 1966	Jan. 1966	Dec. 1965
Less than 5 weeks	1,448	1,339	1,620	1,625	1,543	1,514	1,548	1,532
5 to 14 weeks	574	949	882	670	787	721	738	869
15 weeks and over	779	749	1,050	603	588	579	661	660
15 to 26 weeks	482	438	627	343	319	315	354	355
27 weeks and over	297	310	423	260	269	264	307	305

Table A-4: Unemployed persons by age and sex

Age and sex	Thousands of persons			Seasonally adjusted unemployment rates				
	Total	Looking for full-time work	Looking for part-time work	Apr. 1966	Mar. 1966	Feb. 1966	Jan. 1966	Apr. 1965
Total, 14 years and over.	2,802	2,288	513	3.7	3.8	3.7	4.0	4.8
14 to 17 years.	448	236	212	12.5	13.1	11.7	12.7	14.1
14 and 15 years	73	(1)	(1)	6.4	6.7	7.8	8.7	6.4
16 and 17 years	375	212	163	15.6	16.3	13.5	14.7	17.6
18 years and over	2,353	2,052	302	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.5	4.4
18 and 19 years	413	322	91	11.8	10.4	10.3	11.2	15.7
20 to 24 years	411	359	53	5.2	5.2	5.0	5.4	7.2
25 years and over	1,529	1,371	158	2.5	2.6	2.6	2.7	3.3
25 to 54 years	1,178	1,075	103	2.5	2.6	2.6	2.7	3.3
55 years and over	351	296	55	2.5	2.7	2.8	2.8	3.5
Males, 18 years and over	1,303	1,184	118	2.7	2.9	2.9	2.9	3.8
18 and 19 years	201	156	45	10.3	9.9	9.3	9.7	13.5
20 to 24 years	207	182	25	4.3	5.0	4.4	4.2	7.1
25 years and over	895	846	48	2.1	2.3	2.3	2.5	3.0
25 to 54 years	640	624	16	2.0	2.1	2.2	2.3	2.8
55 years and over	255	222	32	2.7	2.9	3.0	3.0	3.5
Females, 18 years and over.	1,050	868	184	4.3	4.1	4.1	4.4	5.4
18 and 19 years	212	166	46	13.5	11.1	11.5	13.1	18.3
20 to 24 years	204	177	28	6.4	5.5	5.9	7.1	7.5
25 years and over	634	525	110	3.2	3.3	3.2	3.3	4.1
25 to 54 years	538	451	87	3.4	3.5	3.4	3.5	4.2
55 years and over	96	74	23	2.0	2.5	2.4	2.4	3.4

¹ Virtually all are looking for part-time work.

Table A-5: Employed persons by age and sex

(In thousands)

Age and sex	Total	Voluntary part-time employed ¹	Seasonally adjusted				
			Apr. 1966	Mar. 1966	Feb. 1966	Jan. 1966	Dec. 1965
Total, 14 years and over	73,105	10,004	73,799	73,435	73,521	73,715	73,441
14 to 17 years	2,978	2,603	3,489	3,382	3,397	3,546	3,406
14 and 15 years	1,028	990	1,258	1,223	1,142	1,221	1,155
16 and 17 years	1,950	1,613	2,231	2,159	2,255	2,325	2,251
18 years and over	70,126	7,401	70,323	70,101	70,172	70,256	70,106
18 and 19 years	3,135	1,027	3,418	3,392	3,347	3,424	3,370
20 to 24 years	7,837	860	7,979	7,850	7,792	7,759	7,739
25 years and over	59,154	5,514	58,926	58,859	59,033	59,073	58,997
25 to 44 years	30,332	2,254	30,211	30,244	30,392	30,397	30,410
45 years and over	28,824	3,260	28,715	28,615	28,641	28,676	28,587
Males, 18 years and over	45,312	2,297	45,646	45,538	45,530	45,501	45,418
18 and 19 years	1,730	617	1,874	1,874	1,850	1,897	1,839
20 to 24 years	4,503	436	4,623	4,595	4,549	4,553	4,543
25 years and over	39,079	1,244	39,149	39,069	39,131	39,051	39,036
25 to 44 years	20,528	223	20,578	20,576	20,633	20,530	20,546
45 years and over	18,552	1,021	18,571	18,493	18,498	18,521	18,490
Females, 18 years and over	24,814	5,104	24,677	24,563	24,642	24,755	24,688
18 and 19 years	1,405	410	1,544	1,518	1,497	1,527	1,531
20 to 24 years	3,334	424	3,356	3,255	3,243	3,206	3,196
25 years and over	20,075	4,270	19,777	19,790	19,902	20,022	19,961
25 to 44 years	9,804	2,031	9,633	9,668	9,759	9,867	9,864
45 years and over	10,272	2,239	10,144	10,122	10,143	10,155	10,097

¹Includes a proportionate number of persons with a job but not at work.

NOTE: Due to the independent seasonal adjustment of several of the series, detail will not necessarily add to totals.

Table A-6: Unemployment rates by industry and occupation

Industry or occupation	Apr. 1966	Apr. 1965	Apr. 1964
Industry			
Total	3.7	4.8	5.3
Experienced wage and salary workers	3.4	4.5	5.1
Agriculture	6.7	8.5	10.9
Nonagricultural industries	3.3	4.4	5.0
Mining, forestry, fisheries	2.9	2.7	7.5
Construction	8.1	10.1	10.5
Manufacturing	3.0	4.7	5.1
Durable goods	2.2	4.0	4.8
Nondurable goods	4.2	5.7	5.6
Transportation and public utilities	2.2	3.1	3.4
Wholesale and retail trade	4.3	5.3	6.4
Finance, insurance, and real estate	1.8	2.5	2.5
Service industries	2.7	3.4	3.9
Public administration	1.8	1.6	2.4
Self-employed and unpaid family workers . . . . .	.8	.9	.9
Occupation			
Total	3.7	4.8	5.3
White-collar workers	1.8	2.2	2.7
Professional and technical . . . . .	.9	1.3	1.6
Managers, officials, and proprietors	1.1	1.3	1.1
Clerical workers	2.5	3.3	4.0
Sales workers	2.9	2.9	4.1
Blue-collar workers	4.2	6.0	6.6
Craftsmen and foremen	2.8	4.5	4.5
Operatives	4.3	6.2	6.9
Nonfarm laborers	7.1	8.6	10.3
Service workers	4.3	5.0	5.8
Private household workers	3.2	4.0	4.4
Other service workers	4.6	5.4	6.3
Farm workers	2.3	2.4	3.2
Farmers and farm managers . . . . .	.5	.1	.2
Farm laborers and foremen	4.5	5.2	6.7

Table A-7: Full- and part-time status of the civilian labor force
(In thousands)

Full- and part-time employment status	Apr. 1966	Mar. 1966	Apr. 1965	Apr. 1964
Full Time				
Civilian labor force	65,395	64,878	65,017	64,047
Employed:				
Full-time schedules ¹	61,423	60,618	60,061	58,414
Part time for economic reasons	1,684	1,818	2,002	2,330
Unemployed, looking for full-time work	2,288	2,442	2,954	3,303
Unemployment rate	3.5	3.8	4.5	5.2
Part Time				
Civilian labor force	10,511	10,181	9,604	9,752
Employed (voluntary part time) ¹	9,998	9,586	9,007	9,131
Unemployed, looking for part-time work	513	595	597	621
Unemployment rate	4.9	5.8	6.2	6.4

¹Employed persons with a job but not at work are distributed proportionately among the full- and part-time employed categories.

Table B-1: Employees on nonagricultural payrolls, by industry

(In thousands)

Industry	Apr. 1966	Mar. 1966	Feb. 1966	Apr. 1965	Change from		Seasonally adjusted			Change from Mar. 1966
					Mar. 1966	Apr. 1965	Apr. 1966	Mar. 1966	Feb. 1966	
TOTAL	62,454	61,793	61,212	59,471	661	2,983	62,807	62,881	62,501	6
MINING	590	616	613	623	-26	-33	596	633	631	-37
CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION	3,198	3,015	2,851	2,978	183	220	3,377	3,462	3,374	-85
MANUFACTURING	18,676	18,574	18,457	17,659	102	1,017	18,825	18,763	18,691	62
<i>Production workers</i>	13,898	13,823	13,727	13,108	75	790	14,034	13,997	13,937	37
DURABLE GOODS	11,013	10,902	10,812	10,218	111	795	11,040	10,987	10,919	53
<i>Production workers</i>	8,184	8,094	8,024	7,570	90	614	8,207	8,172	8,122	35
Ordnance and accessories.....	262.2	258.5	255.1	228.6	3.7	33.6	263	259	255	4
Lumber and wood products.....	614.1	604.2	597.4	591.3	9.9	22.8	630	636	630	-6
Furniture and fixtures.....	446.3	445.6	443.3	424.3	.7	22.0	450	450	448	0
Stone, clay, and glass products..	638.3	619.3	609.6	613.4	19.0	24.9	644	643	640	1
Primary metal industries.....	1,309.1	1,299.2	1,286.9	1,299.4	9.9	9.7	1,295	1,294	1,288	1
Fabricated metal products.....	1,325.7	1,318.3	1,310.1	1,239.3	7.4	86.4	1,334	1,335	1,327	-1
Machinery.....	1,820.5	1,811.7	1,798.1	1,698.4	8.8	122.1	1,805	1,799	1,798	6
Electrical equipment.....	1,855.6	1,825.9	1,818.8	1,620.4	29.7	235.2	1,873	1,839	1,826	34
Transportation equipment.....	1,900.4	1,884.1	1,868.9	1,717.5	16.3	182.9	1,894	1,880	1,860	14
Instruments and related products	413.4	411.2	407.6	376.8	2.2	36.6	415	413	410	2
Miscellaneous manufacturing....	427.1	424.3	416.6	408.1	2.8	19.0	437	439	437	-2
NONDURABLE GOODS	7,663	7,672	7,645	7,441	-9	222	7,785	7,776	7,772	9
<i>Production workers</i>	5,714	5,729	5,703	5,538	-15	176	5,827	5,825	5,815	2
Food and kindred products.....	1,649.8	1,654.7	1,654.8	1,649.5	-4.9	.3	1,730	1,746	1,749	-16
Tobacco manufactures.....	73.0	75.5	79.2	74.8	-2.5	-1.8	84	84	82	0
Textile mill products.....	945.1	940.2	933.9	913.0	4.9	32.1	947	945	943	2
Apparel and related products....	1,372.3	1,397.0	1,388.6	1,328.8	-24.7	43.5	1,387	1,383	1,383	4
Paper and allied products.....	652.9	651.3	649.0	628.7	1.6	24.2	657	658	658	-1
Printing and publishing.....	1,005.9	1,001.1	999.4	968.5	4.8	37.4	1,009	1,003	1,004	6
Chemicals and allied products...	936.9	927.2	918.9	899.9	9.7	37.0	930	928	927	2
Petroleum and related products..	174.8	173.3	173.0	176.8	1.5	-2.0	176	175	176	1
Rubber and plastic products.....	493.2	488.2	484.3	456.2	5.0	37.0	497	491	487	6
Leather and leather products....	358.6	363.4	363.7	344.3	-4.8	14.3	368	363	363	5
TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC UTILITIES	4,078	4,055	4,034	3,977	23	101	4,115	4,108	4,104	7
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	12,834	12,692	12,617	12,418	142	416	12,955	13,006	12,942	-51
WHOLESALE TRADE	3,303	3,304	3,299	3,199	-1	104	3,347	3,348	3,336	-1
RETAIL TRADE	9,531	9,388	9,318	9,219	143	312	9,608	9,658	9,606	-50
FINANCE, INSURANCE, AND REAL ESTATE	3,091	3,074	3,054	3,012	17	79	3,103	3,099	3,082	4
SERVICE AND MISCELLANEOUS	9,242	9,103	9,030	8,796	139	446	9,261	9,242	9,205	19
GOVERNMENT	10,745	10,664	10,556	10,008	81	737	10,655	10,568	10,472	87
FEDERAL	2,500	2,460	2,431	2,337	40	163	2,508	2,477	2,451	31
STATE AND LOCAL	8,245	8,204	8,125	7,671	41	574	8,147	8,091	8,021	56

NOTE: Data for the 2 most recent months are preliminary.

Table B-2: Average weekly hours of production workers on manufacturing payrolls, by industry

Industry	Apr. 1966	Mar. 1966	Feb. 1966	Apr. 1965	Change from		Seasonally adjusted			
					Mar. 1966	Apr. 1965	Apr. 1966	Mar. 1966	Feb. 1966	Change from Mar. 1966
MANUFACTURING	41.2	41.4	41.3	40.7	-0.2	0.5	41.5	41.5	41.6	0
<i>Overtime hours</i>	3.8	3.9	3.8	3.1	-.1	.7	4.2	4.2	4.2	0
DURABLE GOODS	42.2	42.2	42.1	41.7	0	.5	42.4	42.3	42.4	0.1
<i>Overtime hours</i>	4.3	4.2	4.2	3.5	.1	.8	4.6	4.4	4.6	.2
NONDURABLE GOODS	39.9	40.2	40.2	39.4	-.3	.5	40.4	40.4	40.6	0
<i>Overtime hours</i>	3.2	3.3	3.3	2.7	-.1	.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	0
<i>Durable goods</i>										
<i>Ordnance and accessories</i>	42.4	41.9	42.2	41.0	.5	1.4	42.6	42.0	42.3	.6
<i>Lumber and wood products</i>	41.3	41.0	40.4	40.7	.3	.6	41.5	41.5	41.1	0
<i>Furniture and fixtures</i>	41.0	41.5	41.2	40.7	-.5	.3	41.8	42.0	41.7	-.2
<i>Stone, clay, and glass products</i> ..	42.2	42.1	41.4	41.3	.1	.9	42.2	42.8	42.4	-.6
<i>Primary metal industries</i>	42.1	42.1	42.0	44.1	0	-2.0	41.7	41.9	42.0	-.2
<i>Fabricated metal products</i>	42.1	42.2	42.2	41.4	-.1	.7	42.4	42.5	42.6	-.1
<i>Machinery</i>	43.8	44.1	44.0	42.4	-.3	1.4	43.7	43.9	44.0	-.2
<i>Electrical equipment</i>	41.0	41.3	41.4	40.2	-.3	.8	41.3	41.4	41.6	-.1
<i>Transportation equipment</i>	43.1	42.8	42.9	42.3	.3	.8	43.5	43.0	43.4	.5
<i>Instruments and related products</i> ..	41.7	42.2	42.2	40.3	-.5	1.4	42.0	42.5	42.5	-.5
<i>Miscellaneous manufacturing</i>	39.8	40.3	40.2	39.2	-.5	.6	40.1	40.2	40.3	-.1
<i>Non-durable goods</i>										
<i>Food and kindred products</i>	40.4	40.5	40.8	40.3	-.1	.1	41.1	41.1	41.6	0
<i>Tobacco manufactures</i>	37.6	38.2	39.6	35.6	-.6	2.0	38.7	39.3	41.4	-.6
<i>Textile mill products</i>	41.6	42.3	42.3	41.0	-.7	.6	42.1	42.4	42.5	-.3
<i>Apparel and related products</i>	36.2	36.9	36.6	35.6	-.7	.6	36.6	36.5	36.6	.1
<i>Paper and allied products</i>	43.2	43.3	43.1	42.2	-.1	1.0	43.7	43.5	43.5	.2
<i>Printing and publishing</i>	38.6	38.8	38.5	38.3	-.2	.3	38.8	38.7	38.7	.1
<i>Chemicals and allied products</i>	42.1	42.0	41.9	42.4	.1	-.3	41.9	42.1	42.2	-.2
<i>Petroleum and related products</i> ..	42.6	41.9	41.7	42.4	.7	.2	42.6	42.5	42.8	.1
<i>Rubber and plastic products</i>	42.0	41.9	42.0	40.8	.1	1.2	42.3	42.1	42.3	.2
<i>Leather and leather products</i>	37.6	38.5	39.2	37.0	-.9	.6	38.9	38.5	38.9	.4

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Table B-3: Average hourly and weekly earnings of production workers on manufacturing payrolls, by industry

Industry	Average hourly earnings						Average weekly earnings					
	Apr. 1966	Mar. 1966	Feb. 1966	Apr. 1965	Change from		Apr. 1966	Mar. 1966	Feb. 1966	Apr. 1965	Change from	
					Mar. 1966	Apr. 1965					Mar. 1966	Apr. 1965
MANUFACTURING	\$2.69	\$2.68	\$2.67	\$2.60	\$0.01	\$0.09	\$110.83	\$110.95	\$110.27	\$105.82	\$-0.12	\$5.01
DURABLE GOODS	2.87	2.86	2.86	2.78	.01	.09	121.11	120.69	120.41	115.93	.42	5.18
<i>Ordnance and accessories</i>	3.16	3.15	3.15	3.08	.01	.08	133.98	131.99	132.93	126.28	1.99	7.70
<i>Lumber and wood products</i>	2.23	2.20	2.19	2.13	.03	.10	92.10	90.20	88.48	86.69	1.90	5.41
<i>Furniture and fixtures</i>	2.17	2.16	2.15	2.09	.01	.08	88.97	89.64	88.58	85.06	-.67	3.91
<i>Stone, clay, and glass products</i> ..	2.72	2.69	2.67	2.59	.03	.13	114.78	113.25	110.54	106.97	1.53	7.81
<i>Primary metal industries</i>	3.26	3.26	3.24	3.20	0	.06	137.25	137.25	136.08	141.12	0	-3.87
<i>Fabricated metal products</i>	2.84	2.84	2.82	2.73	0	.11	119.56	119.85	119.00	113.02	-.29	6.54
<i>Machinery</i>	3.05	3.05	3.04	2.91	0	.14	133.59	134.51	133.76	123.38	-.92	10.21
<i>Electrical equipment</i>	2.63	2.61	2.62	2.56	.02	.07	107.83	107.79	108.47	102.91	.04	4.92
<i>Transportation equipment</i>	3.28	3.28	3.29	3.17	0	.11	141.37	140.38	141.14	134.09	.99	7.28
<i>Instruments and related products</i> ..	2.67	2.67	2.66	2.59	0	.08	111.34	112.67	112.25	104.38	-1.33	6.96
<i>Miscellaneous manufacturing</i>	2.22	2.21	2.20	2.12	.01	.10	88.36	89.06	88.44	83.10	-.70	5.26
NONDURABLE GOODS	2.43	2.41	2.40	2.34	.02	.09	96.96	96.88	96.48	92.20	.08	4.76
<i>Food and kindred products</i>	2.52	2.51	2.49	2.45	.01	.07	101.81	101.66	101.59	98.74	.15	3.07
<i>Tobacco manufactures</i>	2.26	2.21	2.23	2.19	.05	.07	84.98	84.42	88.31	77.96	.56	7.02
<i>Textile mill products</i>	1.93	1.92	1.92	1.83	.01	.10	80.29	81.22	81.22	75.03	-.93	5.26
<i>Apparel and related products</i>	1.86	1.88	1.88	1.79	-.02	.07	67.33	69.37	68.81	63.72	-2.04	3.61
<i>Paper and allied products</i>	2.71	2.71	2.69	2.60	0	.11	117.07	117.34	115.94	109.72	-.27	7.35
<i>Printing and publishing</i>	3.11	3.12	3.11	3.02	-.01	.09	120.05	121.06	119.74	115.67	-1.01	4.38
<i>Chemicals and allied products</i>	2.94	2.29	2.94	2.85	.02	.09	123.77	122.64	123.19	120.84	1.13	2.93
<i>Petroleum and related products</i> ..	3.41	3.38	3.38	3.28	.03	.13	145.27	141.62	140.95	139.07	3.65	6.20
<i>Rubber and plastic products</i>	2.66	2.64	2.64	2.56	.02	.10	111.72	110.62	110.88	104.45	1.10	7.27
<i>Leather and leather products</i>	1.94	1.93	1.92	1.88	.01	.06	72.94	74.31	75.26	69.56	-1.37	3.38

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