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## THE EMPLOYMENT SITUATION: MARCH 1967

The rate of unemployment in the civilian labor force was virtually unchanged in March, the U. S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics reported today.

The March unemployment rate, at 3.6 percent, compared with 3.7 percent in the previous 3 months. It has moved narrowly between 3.5 and 3.9 percent since January 1966.

Unemployment declined by 200,000--about 100,000 more than usual for the February-March period because of a sharp drop in teenage joblessness. There was little change in unemployment rates for adult workers, for married men, and for full-time workers.

During recent months the size of the labor force has adjusted itself closely to changes in the employment level, leaving the unemployment rate virtually unchanged. From October to January, employment and the labor force both increased rapidly. Since January, both have leveled off.

A slower pace of economic activity in some lines is shown by declines in payroll employment in manufacturing and retail trade since January. The number of workers on part time for economic reasons was 2.1 million in March, compared with 1.9 million in January. (All figures in this paragraph are seasonally adjusted.) The average workweek in manufacturing during March was 40.4 hours, compared with 41.0 in January. Although the manufacturing workweek increased 0.1 hour between February and March, this is explained by weather fluctuations.

State insured unemployment declined less than seasonally in March and, for the first time in nearly 4 years, the current rate (2.5 percent) was above that prevailing a year ago (2.4 percent).

Over-all, seasonally adjusted payroll employment was little changed between February and March. Drops of 35,000 in manufacturing, 62,000 in retail trade, and 33,000 in construction were offset by increases of 56,000 in service activities and 72,000 in government employment, mainly State and local.

### Industry Developments

Nonfarm payroll employment, which moved up strongly throughout 1966, has increased by only 100,000 (seasonally adjusted) in the last 2 months. Since January, employment pickups in the service-producing sector have offset declines in manufacturing jobs.

The reduction in manufacturing employment has been moderate--100,000 (seasonally adjusted) since January. However, production worker employment declined 150,000 in the same period and the factory workweek fell 0.6 hour. The seasonally adjusted index of aggregate weekly man-hours in manufacturing, which had remained between 118.1 and 118.8 (1957-59=100) from October 1966 through January 1967, dipped to 115.6 in February and March. Cutbacks in hours of work accounted for about 60 percent of the drop in the index.

The seasonally adjusted decline in manufacturing employment was 35,000 in March, with small but widespread declines in both the durable and nondurable goods industries. Apparel--down 20,000--showed the largest decline among the individual industries.

Average hourly earnings of manufacturing production workers rose 1 cent to \$2.79 in February, and average weekly earnings increased by 96 cents to \$112.44.

On a seasonally adjusted basis, contract construction employment decreased by 33,000 over the month. Contract construction had undergone a mild recovery in recent months after a decline during the spring and summer of 1966; however, the February-to-March rise was less than seasonal. Bad weather over much of the country during the survey week may have delayed the beginning of spring building projects.

Retail trade employment declined by 62,000 (seasonally adjusted) in March. The early date of Easter contributed to the weakness in retail sales in the March survey week.

Over the year, nonfarm payroll employment increased by 2.3 million to 64.6 million, with gains in all industry groups except contract construction and mining. Manufacturing employment rose by 500,000, with three-fourths of the rise in the durable goods industries. Half of the increase in manufacturing employment took place among nonproduction workers.

The service-producing sector, however, continued to account for the major portion of the over-the-year employment rise. Government employment rose by 750,000, while miscellaneous services and trade each contributed about one-half million to the total pickup.

### Unemployment

Unemployment totaled 2,950,000 in March, down 200,000 from February, but virtually unchanged from the March 1966 level. Most of the over-the-month decline in unemployment took place among teenagers. The teenage jobless rate, which had risen from 11.0 percent in January to 13.2 percent in February, returned to 10.7 percent in March.

The nonwhite unemployment rate was 7.4 percent in March, as compared to a rate of 3.1 percent for whites. In the first 3 months of 1967, the nonwhite rate averaged 7.0 percent, or 2.2 times as high as the rate for white workers.

### Total Employment and Labor Force

The employment of persons 16 years of age and over totaled 72.4 million in the first quarter of 1967, an increase of 1.7 million since the first quarter of 1966. The employment of adult men was up 550,000 over the year, with gains of 950,000 for adult women and 250,000 for teenagers.

The civilian labor force, at 75.5 million in the first quarter of 1967, continued to show strong over-the-year gains, rising by 1.7 million. In the first 3 months of 1967, year-to-year labor force increases exceeded the anticipated long-term growth rate by about 200,000.

**Table A-1: Employment status of the noninstitutional population by age and sex**

(In thousands)

Employment status, age, and sex	Mar. 1967	Feb. 1967	Mar. 1966	Seasonally adjusted				
				Mar. 1967	Feb. 1967	Jan. 1967	Dec. 1966	Nov. 1966
<b>Total</b>								
Total labor force .....	78,949	79,107	77,043	79,959	80,443	80,473	80,154	79,934
Civilian labor force .....	75,513	75,689	74,070	76,523	77,025	77,087	76,764	76,612
Employed .....	72,560	72,506	71,083	73,747	74,137	74,255	73,893	73,897
Agriculture .....	3,410	3,281	3,645	3,855	3,890	4,015	4,011	3,892
Nonagricultural industries .....	69,149	69,225	67,438	69,892	70,247	70,240	69,882	70,005
On part time for economic reasons .....	1,978	2,001	1,561	2,072	2,077	1,907	1,797	1,491
Usually work full time .....	1,213	1,171	824	1,229	1,178	1,035	981	775
Usually work part time .....	765	830	737	843	899	872	816	716
Unemployed .....	2,954	3,183	2,986	2,776	2,888	2,832	2,871	2,715
<b>Men, 20 years and over</b>								
Civilian labor force .....	44,778	44,783	44,521	45,047	45,222	45,239	44,987	44,797
Employed .....	43,516	43,472	43,120	44,010	44,236	44,227	43,898	43,711
Agriculture .....	2,672	2,648	2,843	2,795	2,875	2,861	2,884	2,807
Nonagricultural industries .....	40,844	40,823	40,277	41,215	41,361	41,366	41,014	40,904
Unemployed .....	1,262	1,310	1,402	1,037	986	1,012	1,089	1,086
<b>Women, 20 years and over</b>								
Civilian labor force .....	24,999	25,089	24,034	24,862	25,071	25,221	25,139	25,145
Employed .....	23,955	23,986	23,148	23,834	24,057	24,128	24,167	24,278
Agriculture .....	447	403	523	628	636	702	729	663
Nonagricultural industries .....	23,508	23,585	22,625	23,206	23,421	23,426	23,438	23,615
Unemployed .....	1,044	1,103	886	1,028	1,014	1,093	972	867
<b>Both sexes, 16-19 years</b>								
Civilian labor force .....	5,737	5,819	5,514	6,614	6,732	6,627	6,638	6,670
Employed .....	5,088	5,048	4,815	5,903	5,844	5,900	5,828	5,908
Agriculture .....	291	229	280	432	379	452	398	422
Nonagricultural industries .....	4,798	4,817	4,536	5,471	5,465	5,448	5,430	5,486
Unemployed .....	648	771	698	711	888	727	810	762

**Table A-2: Unemployed persons 16 years and over by duration of unemployment**

(In thousands)

Duration of unemployment	Mar. 1967	Feb. 1967	Mar. 1966	Seasonally adjusted				
				Mar. 1967	Feb. 1967	Jan. 1967	Dec. 1966	Nov. 1966
Less than 5 weeks .....	1,408	1,584	1,298	1,633	1,678	1,542	1,562	1,397
5 to 14 weeks .....	986	1,094	948	827	771	787	760	789
15 weeks and over .....	560	506	743	436	439	485	496	484
15 to 26 weeks .....	354	305	433	259	249	282	269	287
27 weeks and over .....	206	200	310	177	190	203	227	197

**Table A-3: Major unemployment indicators**

(Persons 16 years and over)

Selected categories	Thousands of persons unemployed		Seasonally adjusted rates of unemployment					
	Mar. 1967	Mar. 1966	Mar. 1967	Feb. 1967	Jan. 1967	Dec. 1966	Nov. 1966	Mar. 1966
Total (all civilian workers).....	2,954	2,986	3.6	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.5	3.8
Men, 20 years and over.....	1,262	1,402	2.3	2.2	2.2	2.4	2.4	2.6
Women, 20 years and over.....	1,044	886	4.1	4.0	4.3	3.9	3.4	3.6
Both sexes, 16-19 years.....	648	698	10.7	13.2	11.0	12.2	11.4	12.9
White.....	2,304	2,358	3.1	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.1	3.3
Nonwhite.....	650	628	7.4	7.1	6.6	7.6	6.9	7.3
Married men.....	825	901	1.7	1.6	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.9
Full-time workers.....	2,300	2,438	3.1	3.0	3.1	3.3	3.4	3.3
Unemployed 15 weeks and over.....	560	744	.6	.6	.6	.6	.6	.8
State insured <sup>1</sup> .....	1,524	1,376	2.5	2.4	2.4	2.3	2.1	2.4
Labor force time lost <sup>2</sup> .....	-	-	4.1	4.0	4.1	4.1	3.8	4.1
<b>Occupation</b>								
White-collar workers.....	721	637	2.1	2.0	2.1	1.9	1.9	1.9
Professional and managerial.....	189	195	1.2	1.1	1.1	1.0	1.0	1.2
Clerical workers.....	367	308	2.9	2.9	3.0	3.0	2.7	2.6
Sales workers.....	165	134	3.6	2.8	3.4	2.0	3.0	2.8
Blue-collar workers.....	1,382	1,399	4.2	4.1	4.2	4.3	4.3	4.2
Craftsmen and foremen.....	303	350	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.6	3.0	2.8
Operatives.....	762	723	4.7	4.7	4.7	4.5	4.0	4.4
Nonfarm laborers.....	317	326	7.3	6.5	7.3	7.8	8.5	7.2
Service workers.....	443	464	4.2	4.6	4.6	5.3	4.0	4.5
<b>Industry</b>								
Private wage and salary workers <sup>3</sup> .....	2,285	2,265	3.7	3.7	3.8	3.7	3.6	3.5
Construction.....	341	386	7.1	7.3	7.5	8.9	9.2	7.6
Manufacturing.....	799	702	3.6	3.3	3.3	3.0	2.8	3.3
Durable goods.....	410	354	3.0	2.8	3.0	2.7	2.3	2.7
Nondurable goods.....	389	348	4.5	4.0	3.8	3.5	3.5	4.0
Transportation and public utilities.....	91	111	1.9	2.1	2.5	1.8	2.0	2.4
Wholesale and retail trade.....	538	588	3.9	4.0	4.1	4.1	4.4	4.5
Finance and service industries.....	491	457	3.4	3.6	3.9	3.8	3.3	3.3
Government wage and salary workers.....	186	159	1.8	1.6	1.6	1.9	1.7	1.6
Agricultural wage and salary workers.....	92	111	5.1	6.4	5.0	6.2	6.1	6.4

<sup>1</sup>Insured unemployment under State programs as a percent of average covered employment. <sup>2</sup>Man-hours lost by the unemployed and persons on part time for economic reasons as a percent of potentially available labor force man-hours. <sup>3</sup>Include mining, not shown separately.

**Table A-4: Full-and part-time status of the civilian labor force**

March 1967

Full- and part-time employment status	Total	Men, 20 and over	Women, 20 and over	Both sexes, 16-19 years
<b>Full Time</b>				
Civilian labor force.....	65,425	42,961	19,875	2,590
Employed:				
Full-time schedules.....	60,916	40,665	18,186	2,066
Part time for economic reasons.....	2,209	1,130	885	194
Unemployed, looking for full-time work.....	2,300	1,166	804	330
Unemployment rate.....	3.5	2.7	4.0	12.7
<b>Part Time</b>				
Civilian labor force.....	10,088	1,817	5,124	3,147
Employed (voluntary part time).....	9,433	1,721	4,884	2,828
Unemployed, looking for part-time work.....	655	96	240	319
Unemployment rate.....	6.5	5.3	4.7	10.1

**Table A-5: Employed persons by age and sex**

(In thousands)

Age and sex	Mar. 1967	Feb. 1967	Mar. 1966	Seasonally adjusted				
				Mar. 1967	Feb. 1967	Jan. 1967	Dec. 1966	Nov. 1966
<b>Total, 16 years and over</b> .....	72,560	72,506	71,083	73,747	74,137	74,255	73,893	73,897
16 to 19 years .....	5,088	5,048	4,815	5,903	5,844	5,900	5,828	5,908
16 and 17 years .....	1,991	1,916	1,771	2,478	2,399	2,389	2,427	2,362
18 and 19 years .....	3,097	3,133	3,044	3,465	3,495	3,516	3,487	3,537
20 to 24 years .....	8,156	8,102	7,710	8,348	8,355	8,228	8,126	8,062
25 years and over .....	59,315	59,356	58,558	59,516	60,000	60,125	59,886	59,925
25 to 54 years .....	46,135	46,085	45,465	46,391	46,616	46,742	46,541	46,399
55 years and over .....	13,182	13,273	13,093	13,224	13,450	13,468	13,405	13,544
<b>Males, 16 years and over</b> .....	46,333	46,213	45,847	47,358	47,475	47,533	47,116	47,011
16 to 19 years .....	2,817	2,742	2,727	3,348	3,239	3,306	3,218	3,300
16 and 17 years .....	1,202	1,129	1,087	1,512	1,444	1,453	1,463	1,451
18 and 19 years .....	1,615	1,613	1,640	1,854	1,852	1,867	1,802	1,858
20 to 24 years .....	4,575	4,588	4,455	4,762	4,812	4,721	4,588	4,594
25 years and over .....	38,941	38,884	38,665	39,276	39,474	39,493	39,259	39,098
25 to 54 years .....	30,369	30,277	30,144	30,645	30,697	30,776	30,519	30,331
55 years and over .....	8,573	8,607	8,521	8,670	8,777	8,758	8,767	8,805
<b>Females, 16 years and over</b> .....	26,226	26,292	25,236	26,389	26,662	26,722	26,777	26,886
16 to 19 years .....	2,271	2,306	2,088	2,555	2,605	2,594	2,610	2,608
16 and 17 years .....	789	787	684	966	955	936	964	911
18 and 19 years .....	1,482	1,520	1,404	1,611	1,643	1,649	1,685	1,679
20 to 24 years .....	3,581	3,514	3,255	3,586	3,543	3,507	3,538	3,468
25 years and over .....	20,374	20,472	19,893	20,240	20,526	20,632	20,627	20,827
25 to 54 years .....	15,766	15,808	15,321	15,746	15,919	15,966	16,022	16,068
55 years and over .....	4,609	4,666	4,572	4,554	4,673	4,710	4,638	4,739

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

**Table A-6: Unemployed persons by age and sex**

Age and sex	Thousands		Percent looking for full-time work Mar. 1967	Seasonally adjusted unemployment rates					
	Mar. 1967	Feb. 1967		Mar. 1967	Feb. 1967	Jan. 1967	Dec. 1966	Nov. 1966	Oct. 1966
<b>Total, 16 years and over</b> .....	2,954	3,183	77.9	3.6	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.5	3.8
16 to 19 years .....	648	771	50.9	10.7	13.2	11.0	12.2	11.4	12.7
16 and 17 years .....	308	363	27.9	12.0	16.4	13.1	13.8	12.9	14.7
18 and 19 years .....	340	408	71.5	9.8	11.0	9.5	10.8	10.6	11.4
20 to 24 years .....	498	498	86.7	5.4	5.2	5.6	5.6	5.0	5.4
25 years and over .....	1,808	1,915	85.0	2.6	2.5	2.6	2.6	2.5	2.6
25 to 54 years .....	1,420	1,538	87.5	2.6	2.6	2.6	2.5	2.5	2.7
55 years and over .....	390	375	75.9	2.5	2.2	2.9	2.5	2.4	2.5
<b>Males, 16 years and over</b> .....	1,634	1,735	82.3	2.9	3.0	2.9	3.2	3.0	3.1
16 to 19 years .....	372	425	48.0	10.1	12.6	11.1	12.2	10.5	11.7
16 and 17 years .....	195	219	30.8	11.3	14.8	13.9	13.8	11.5	14.1
18 and 19 years .....	177	206	66.7	9.0	10.3	8.8	10.8	9.7	9.9
20 to 24 years .....	241	218	88.0	4.2	3.6	4.2	5.3	4.9	4.3
25 years and over .....	1,021	1,092	93.5	2.1	2.0	2.0	2.1	2.2	2.1
25 to 54 years .....	765	839	97.5	2.0	1.9	1.8	2.0	2.1	2.1
55 years and over .....	256	253	81.6	2.4	2.2	2.8	2.3	2.4	2.1
<b>Females, 16 years and over</b> .....	1,319	1,448	72.3	4.9	5.1	5.0	4.7	4.4	5.0
16 to 19 years .....	276	346	54.7	11.6	13.9	10.8	12.2	12.6	13.9
16 and 17 years .....	113	144	23.0	13.1	18.7	11.9	13.7	14.9	15.7
18 and 19 years .....	163	202	76.7	10.7	11.7	10.2	10.7	11.5	13.0
20 to 24 years .....	257	280	85.6	6.9	7.3	7.4	6.1	5.2	6.9
25 years and over .....	787	823	74.3	3.6	3.5	3.8	3.5	3.1	3.5
25 to 54 years .....	655	699	76.0	3.9	3.7	4.0	3.6	3.4	3.8
55 years and over .....	134	122	65.9	2.8	2.1	3.3	3.0	2.3	3.1

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

(In thousands)

Industry	Mar. 1967	Feb. 1967	Jan. 1967	Mar. 1966	Change from		Seasonally adjusted			
					Feb. 1967	Mar. 1966	Mar. 1967	Feb. 1967	Jan. 1967	Change from Feb. 1967
<b>TOTAL</b> .....	64,579	64,254	64,334	62,243	325	2,336	65,486	65,463	65,381	23
<b>MINING</b> .....	610	609	614	620	1	-10	627	626	628	1
<b>CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION</b> .....	2,893	2,842	2,925	2,981	51	-88	3,318	3,351	3,301	-33
<b>MANUFACTURING</b> .....	19,163	19,183	19,233	18,651	-20	512	19,353	19,388	19,468	-35
<i>Production workers</i> .....	14,141	14,171	14,233	13,878	-30	263	14,308	14,363	14,453	-55
<b>DURABLE GOODS</b> .....	11,301	11,311	11,347	10,921	-10	380	11,386	11,398	11,445	-12
<i>Production workers</i> .....	8,310	8,327	8,372	8,113	-17	197	8,384	8,412	8,462	-28
Ordnance and accessories .....	283.1	281.4	277.5	245.3	1.7	37.8	283	281	276	2
Lumber and wood products .....	589.1	583.8	585.9	609.6	5.3	-20.5	620	613	620	7
Furniture and fixtures .....	452.0	454.0	456.4	447.6	-2.0	4.4	456	459	460	-3
Stone, clay, and glass products ..	615.3	608.7	612.7	625.9	6.6	-10.6	638	638	642	0
Primary metal industries .....	1,315.4	1,317.2	1,327.6	1,303.4	-1.8	12.0	1,311	1,321	1,341	-10
Fabricated metal products .....	1,353.3	1,360.3	1,367.9	1,326.8	-7.0	26.5	1,371	1,372	1,380	-1
Machinery .....	1,946.6	1,939.2	1,936.7	1,828.8	7.4	117.8	1,935	1,935	1,941	0
Electrical equipment .....	1,943.5	1,956.4	1,969.8	1,810.8	-12.9	132.7	1,958	1,962	1,964	-4
Transportation equipment .....	1,930.5	1,942.2	1,947.6	1,886.6	-11.7	43.9	1,925	1,927	1,927	-2
Instruments and related products ..	448.6	446.5	444.7	413.6	2.1	35.0	451	449	446	2
Miscellaneous manufacturing .....	423.4	421.5	420.0	422.9	1.9	.5	438	441	448	-3
<b>NONDURABLE GOODS</b> .....	7,862	7,872	7,886	7,730	-10	132	7,967	7,990	8,023	-23
<i>Production workers</i> .....	5,831	5,844	5,861	5,765	-13	66	5,924	5,951	5,991	-27
Food and kindred products .....	1,694.2	1,688.4	1,706.9	1,674.7	5.8	19.5	1,787	1,779	1,780	8
Tobacco manufactures .....	77.0	81.3	88.3	78.3	-4.3	-1.3	85	84	89	1
Textile mill products .....	935.3	934.0	939.2	943.4	1.3	-8.1	940	942	951	-2
Apparel and related products ..	1,391.3	1,404.2	1,389.8	1,401.0	-12.9	-9.7	1,376	1,397	1,415	-21
Paper and allied products .....	678.1	678.2	678.2	655.6	-1.1	22.5	685	686	683	-1
Printing and publishing .....	1,062.2	1,056.9	1,051.2	1,005.8	5.3	56.4	1,065	1,060	1,056	5
Chemicals and allied products ..	976.3	973.0	970.6	935.5	3.3	40.8	977	981	981	-4
Petroleum and related products ..	178.3	178.5	178.4	178.7	-2	-4	180	182	182	-2
Rubber and plastic products .....	523.8	526.7	532.3	497.7	-2.9	26.1	527	530	533	-3
Leather and leather products .....	345.8	350.9	350.8	358.8	-5.1	-13.0	345	349	353	-4
<b>TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC UTILITIES</b> .....	4,165	4,153	4,162	4,056	12	109	4,220	4,225	4,230	-5
<b>WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE</b> .....	13,289	13,188	13,322	12,826	101	463	13,458	13,506	13,503	-48
<b>WHOLESALE TRADE</b> .....	3,496	3,493	3,509	3,374	3	122	3,546	3,532	3,530	14
<b>RETAIL TRADE</b> .....	9,793	9,695	9,813	9,452	98	341	9,912	9,974	9,973	-62
<b>FINANCE, INSURANCE, AND REAL ESTATE</b> .....	3,135	3,114	3,095	3,043	21	92	3,157	3,142	3,129	15
<b>SERVICE AND MISCELLANEOUS</b> .....	9,831	9,746	9,672	9,331	85	500	9,971	9,915	9,869	56
<b>GOVERNMENT</b> .....	11,493	11,419	11,311	10,735	74	758	11,382	11,310	11,253	72
<b>FEDERAL</b> .....	2,673	2,652	2,643	2,460	21	213	2,692	2,673	2,662	19
<b>STATE AND LOCAL</b> .....	8,820	8,767	8,668	8,275	53	545	8,690	8,637	8,591	53

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

Table B-2: Average weekly hours of production workers<sup>1</sup> on payrolls of selected industries

Industry	Mar. 1967	Feb. 1967	Jan. 1967	Mar. 1966	Change from		Seasonally adjusted			Change from Feb. 1967
					Feb. 1967	Mar. 1966	Mar. 1967	Feb. 1967	Jan. 1967	
<b>MINING</b> .....	41.7	41.6	42.3	42.6	0.1	-0.9	42.2	42.1	42.6	0.1
<b>CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION</b> .....	36.8	35.8	37.1	37.7	1.0	-0.9	37.6	37.5	38.4	.1
<b>MANUFACTURING</b> .....	40.3	40.1	40.8	41.4	.2	-1.1	40.4	40.3	41.0	.1
<i>Overtime hours</i> .....	3.2	3.2	3.4	3.9	0	-0.7	3.4	3.5	3.7	-0.1
<b>DURABLE GOODS</b> .....	41.0	40.7	41.5	42.2	.3	-1.2	41.1	40.9	41.8	.2
<i>Overtime hours</i> .....	3.4	3.4	3.7	4.2	0	-0.8	3.6	3.7	3.9	-0.1
Ordnance and accessories .....	42.2	41.9	42.4	41.9	.3	.3	42.3	41.9	42.1	.4
Lumber and wood products .....	39.8	39.5	39.9	40.6	.3	-0.8	40.3	40.3	40.3	0
Furniture and fixtures .....	40.0	39.6	40.1	41.5	.4	-1.5	40.4	40.0	40.8	.4
Stone, clay, and glass products ..	41.2	40.5	41.2	42.1	.7	-0.9	41.9	41.5	42.1	.4
Primary metal industries .....	41.1	40.9	41.8	42.1	.2	-1.0	40.9	40.8	41.8	.1
Fabricated metal products .....	41.2	41.0	41.8	42.2	.2	-1.0	41.4	41.3	42.3	.1
Machinery .....	43.3	43.0	43.5	44.1	.3	-0.8	43.2	42.9	43.6	.3
Electrical equipment .....	40.0	39.8	40.6	41.2	.2	-1.2	40.1	39.9	40.8	.2
Transportation equipment .....	40.4	40.3	41.6	42.7	.1	-2.3	40.6	40.7	41.7	-0.1
Instruments and related products ..	41.2	40.8	41.5	42.2	.4	-1.0	41.4	40.9	41.7	.5
Miscellaneous manufacturing .....	39.1	38.8	39.6	40.4	.3	-1.3	39.0	38.8	40.0	.2
<b>NONDURABLE GOODS</b> .....	39.4	39.2	39.6	40.2	.2	-0.8	39.6	39.5	40.0	.1
<i>Overtime hours</i> .....	3.0	2.9	3.0	3.3	.1	-0.3	3.1	3.1	3.3	0
Food and kindred products .....	40.6	40.2	40.8	40.5	.4	.1	41.2	40.9	41.2	.3
Tobacco manufactures .....	37.4	36.0	37.8	38.3	1.4	-0.9	38.5	37.5	38.6	1.0
Textile mill products .....	40.2	40.0	40.6	42.3	.2	-2.1	40.3	40.0	41.0	.3
Apparel and related products .....	35.8	35.7	36.1	36.9	.1	-1.1	35.4	35.6	36.7	-0.2
Paper and allied products .....	42.6	42.3	42.8	43.3	.3	-0.7	42.8	42.7	43.2	.1
Printing and publishing .....	38.7	38.3	38.5	38.8	.4	-0.1	38.6	38.5	38.9	.1
Chemicals and allied products .....	41.7	41.3	41.5	42.0	.4	-0.3	41.7	41.5	41.8	.2
Petroleum and related products ..	42.1	41.5	41.4	41.9	.6	.2	42.8	42.5	41.8	.3
Rubber and plastic products .....	41.2	40.5	41.3	42.0	.7	-0.8	41.4	40.7	41.4	.7
Leather and leather products .....	36.8	37.4	38.7	38.5	-0.6	-1.7	36.8	37.0	38.4	-0.2
<b>WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE</b> .....	36.4	36.3	36.5	36.9	.1	-0.5	36.6	36.6	36.8	0
<b>WHOLESALE TRADE</b> .....	40.4	40.3	40.6	40.7	.1	-0.3	40.5	40.5	40.8	0
<b>RETAIL TRADE</b> .....	35.0	35.0	35.1	35.7	0	-0.7	35.3	35.3	35.4	0
<b>FINANCE, INSURANCE, AND REAL ESTATE</b> .....	37.0	37.1	37.1	37.3	-0.1	-0.3	-	-	-	-

<sup>1</sup>For mining and manufacturing, data refer to production and related workers; for contract construction, to construction workers; and for all other industries, to nonsupervisory workers. NOTE: Data for the 2 most recent months are preliminary.

Table B-3: Average hourly and weekly earnings of production workers<sup>1</sup> on payrolls of selected industries

Industry	Average hourly earnings						Average weekly earnings					
	Mar. 1967	Feb. 1967	Jan. 1967	Mar. 1966	Change from		Mar. 1967	Feb. 1967	Jan. 1967	Mar. 1966	Change from	
					Feb. 1967	Mar. 1966					Feb. 1967	Mar. 1966
<b>MINING</b> .....	\$3.15	\$3.15	\$3.16	\$2.99	\$0.00	\$0.16	\$131.36	\$131.04	\$133.67	\$127.37	\$0.32	\$3.99
<b>CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION</b> .....	3.96	3.99	4.01	3.80	-0.03	.16	145.73	142.84	148.77	143.26	2.89	2.47
<b>MANUFACTURING</b> .....	2.79	2.78	2.78	2.68	.01	.11	112.44	111.48	113.42	110.95	.96	1.49
<b>DURABLE GOODS</b> .....	2.96	2.96	2.95	2.86	0	.10	121.36	120.47	122.43	120.69	.89	.67
Ordnance and accessories .....	3.25	3.25	3.25	3.17	0	.08	137.15	136.18	137.80	132.82	.97	4.33
Lumber and wood products .....	2.33	2.32	2.29	2.19	.01	.14	92.73	91.64	91.37	88.91	1.09	3.82
Furniture and fixtures .....	2.27	2.26	2.26	2.17	.01	.10	90.80	89.50	90.63	90.06	1.30	.74
Stone, clay, and glass products ..	2.78	2.77	2.76	2.68	.01	.10	114.54	112.19	113.71	112.83	2.35	1.71
Primary metal industries .....	3.29	3.30	3.31	3.25	-0.01	.04	135.22	134.97	138.36	136.83	.25	-1.61
Fabricated metal products .....	2.93	2.93	2.93	2.84	0	.09	120.72	120.13	122.47	119.85	.59	.87
Machinery .....	3.16	3.15	3.15	3.06	.01	.10	136.83	135.45	137.03	134.95	1.38	1.88
Electrical equipment .....	2.71	2.70	2.69	2.61	.01	.10	108.40	107.46	109.21	107.53	.94	.87
Transportation equipment .....	3.37	3.38	3.40	3.28	-0.01	.09	136.15	136.21	141.44	140.06	-0.06	-3.91
Instruments and related products ..	2.76	2.76	2.75	2.68	0	.08	113.71	112.61	114.13	113.10	1.10	.61
Miscellaneous manufacturing .....	2.34	2.33	2.32	2.21	.01	.13	91.49	90.40	91.87	89.28	1.09	2.21
<b>NONDURABLE GOODS</b> .....	2.54	2.53	2.51	2.41	.01	.13	100.08	99.18	99.40	96.88	.90	3.20
Food and kindred products .....	2.63	2.61	2.60	2.51	.02	.12	106.78	104.92	106.08	101.66	1.86	5.12
Tobacco manufactures .....	2.34	2.28	2.20	2.21	.06	.13	87.52	82.08	83.16	84.64	5.44	2.88
Textile mill products .....	2.01	2.01	2.01	1.92	0	.09	80.80	80.40	81.61	81.22	.40	-0.42
Apparel and related products .....	2.00	1.99	1.95	1.88	.01	.12	71.60	71.04	70.40	69.37	.56	2.23
Paper and allied products .....	2.81	2.80	2.80	2.71	.01	.10	119.71	118.44	119.84	117.34	1.27	2.37
Printing and publishing .....	3.23	3.22	3.21	3.12	.01	.11	125.00	123.33	123.59	121.06	1.67	3.94
Chemicals and allied products .....	3.04	3.04	3.04	2.92	0	.12	126.77	125.55	126.16	122.64	1.22	4.13
Petroleum and related products .....	3.55	3.53	3.50	3.38	.02	.17	149.46	146.50	144.90	141.62	2.96	7.84
Rubber and plastic products .....	2.71	2.69	2.70	2.63	.02	.08	111.65	108.95	111.51	110.46	2.70	1.19
Leather and leather products .....	2.06	2.04	2.01	1.92	.02	.14	75.81	76.30	77.79	73.92	-0.49	1.89
<b>WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE</b> .....	2.22	2.21	2.20	2.11	.01	.11	80.81	80.22	80.30	77.86	.59	2.95
<b>WHOLESALE TRADE</b> .....	2.84	2.82	2.81	2.69	.02	.15	114.74	113.65	114.09	109.48	1.09	5.26
<b>RETAIL TRADE</b> .....	1.98	1.98	1.97	1.88	0	.10	69.30	69.30	69.15	67.12	0	2.18
<b>FINANCE, INSURANCE, AND REAL ESTATE</b> .....	2.57	2.56	2.54	2.46	.01	.11	95.09	94.98	94.23	91.76	.11	3.33

<sup>1</sup>For mining and manufacturing, data refer to production and related workers; for contract construction, to construction workers; and for all other industries, to nonsupervisory workers. NOTE: Data for the 2 most recent months are preliminary.