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THE EMPLOYMENT SITUATION: APRIL 1967

Employment gains in retail trade, services, and government more than offset a decline in manufacturing employment and the slow pace of construction activity during April, the U. S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics reported today. As a result, employment totals expanded slightly and the unemployment rate, at 3.7 percent, held at the low level of recent months.

The number of workers on manufacturing payrolls declined by 115,000 (seasonally adjusted) in April, with nearly all of the reduction occurring in the durable goods industries. Manufacturing employment was down about 225,000 from the January peak but still was up 300,000 over the year. The manufacturing unemployment rate and the closely related State insured rate continued to increase in April.

Manufacturing employment, which increased very sharply throughout 1965 and most of 1966, began to slow down last December. Simultaneously, the number of workers on involuntary part time started to increase, and weekly hours fell. In February, manufacturing employment began to decline, hours dropped sharply, and involuntary part-time employment continued to rise. In March and April, factory hours and economic part-time employment were no longer absorbing the slack. As a result, the number of employees on manufacturing payrolls fell off sharply.

The reduction in manufacturing activity is connected with the working off of excessive inventory accumulation. While the inventory reduction continued, there was a steady rise in the demand for personal services and in government employment--especially at the State and local level. In addition, retail trade employment has expanded moderately since mid-winter.

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Industry Employment

Employment gains in the expanding sectors of the economy outweighed the decline in manufacturing and construction in April. As a result, total nonfarm payroll employment rose by 100,000 (seasonally adjusted) to a record 65.6 million.

Contract construction employment rose 210,000 in April, 40,000 less than seasonally expected. The spring employment pickup in construction has been sluggish, resulting in a seasonally adjusted decline of 70,000 since February. Between December 1966 and February 1967, construction employment had started to recover from its declines of the previous spring and summer. However, the weather in March was bad throughout much of the country, and there was rainy weather on the West Coast in April.

The April reduction in manufacturing employment (seasonally adjusted) occurred largely in the durable goods sector. Electrical equipment, primary metals, and transportation equipment were each down by about 20,000.

Over the year, nonfarm payroll employment increased by 2.1 million, with gains in all industry divisions except contract construction. Manufacturing employment rose by 300,000, with two-thirds of the increase occurring in the durable goods industries. Less than 30 percent of the increase took place among production workers. In contrast, a year earlier (April 1965 to April 1966) production workers had accounted for four-fifths of the gain. The service-producing sector continued to account for the major portion of the over-the-year employment rise. Government employment increased by 750,000, miscellaneous services by 500,000, and trade by 350,000.

Hours and Earnings

HOURS AND EARNINGS FOR PRIVATE NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES

This release introduces estimates of average weekly hours, average hourly earnings, and average weekly earnings for 44 million workers on private nonagricultural payrolls (tables B-2 and B-3). The new estimates provide a much more inclusive measure of the hours and earnings of American workers than has been available previously. Included are production workers in mining and manufacturing; construction workers in contract construction; and non-supervisory workers in transportation and public utilities; wholesale and retail trade, finance, insurance, and real estate, and services. A description of the new series along with available historical data will appear in the May issue of Employment and Earnings and Monthly Report on the Labor Force.

In April, the workweek for employees on private nonagricultural payrolls averaged 37.9 hours, down 0.6 hour from the April 1966 level. Despite the drop in hours, weekly earnings--at \$99.68--were up \$2.27 over the year.

The manufacturing workweek--the indicator previously cited for hours--averaged 40.5 hours (seasonally adjusted) in April, up slightly from February and March. The April 1967 workweek, however, was well below the 41.0 - 41.5 hours range which prevailed from December 1964 through November 1966.

In the past year, weekly earnings have increased more in the nonmanufacturing sector than in manufacturing. At \$112.56 in April, weekly earnings for manufacturing production workers were up \$1.32 from a year earlier. The relatively small over-the-year increase in factory earnings is explained by the drop of one full hour in the workweek. The year-to-year declines were especially large--1.7 to 1.9 hours--in furniture, transportation equipment, primary metals, and electrical equipment.

Unemployment

Unemployment declined by 300,000--about the expected seasonal decline--to 2.7 million in April. About 40 percent of the unemployed were adult men, 35 percent were adult women, and 25 percent were teenagers. Almost all of the adult men and four-fifths of the adult women were seeking full-time jobs, while half of the unemployed teenagers wanted part-time work.

The unemployment rate was 3.7 percent in April, virtually unchanged from the level of the last 4 months and the same as a year earlier. Similarly, the unemployment rates for white and for Negro workers were substantially unchanged over the year, with the Negro rate continuing to be more than double the white.

State insured unemployment declined 140,000 from mid-March to mid-April, a less than seasonal improvement. Consequently, the seasonally adjusted rate moved up from 2.5 percent to 2.7 percent. The State insured rate has been moving up for 5 months and is above the year-earlier level, while the total rate has been steady and is unchanged from a year ago. A number of factors account for these differences:

(1) The insured unemployment total is composed entirely of people who have been laid off or have permanently lost their jobs, whereas total unemployment includes new entrants without benefit rights and intermittent workers who have not earned such rights, as well as workers in jobs not covered by unemployment insurance. Entrants and casual workers tend to remain out of the labor force when employment demand is decreasing and, therefore, dampen changes in the over-all unemployment series.

(2) Manufacturing workers constitute a larger share of the insured total than they do of the over-all total. Thus, a decline in manufacturing employment produces a greater proportionate effect on insured than on total unemployment.

(3) The insured total does not include the very long-term unemployed, since benefit rights are limited to a specified period. New layoffs and job losses, therefore, produce a larger proportionate change in insured than in total unemployment.

Total Employment and Labor Force

The employment of persons 16 years of age and over averaged 72.7 million in the first 4 months of 1967, an increase of 1.6 million over the year. The employment of adult men was up 500,000, with gains of 900,000 for adult women and 200,000 for teenagers.

Despite the decline in civilian labor force since January, the average in the first 4 months was 1.6 million higher than the same period of 1966. This year-to-year increase exceeded the projected 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	Apr. 1967	Mar. 1967	Apr. 1966	Seasonally adjusted				
				Apr. 1967	Mar. 1967	Feb. 1967	Jan. 1967	Dec. 1966
Total								
Total labor force	79,560	78,949	77,812	80,189	79,959	80,443	80,473	80,154
Civilian labor force	76,111	75,513	74,804	76,740	76,523	77,025	77,087	76,764
Employed	73,445	72,560	72,077	73,910	73,747	74,137	74,255	73,893
Agriculture	3,721	3,410	4,020	3,890	3,855	3,890	4,015	4,011
Nonagricultural industries	69,724	69,149	68,055	70,020	69,892	70,247	70,240	69,882
On part time for economic reasons	1,909	1,978	1,507	2,008	2,072	2,077	1,907	1,797
Usually work full time	1,179	1,213	796	1,181	1,229	1,178	1,035	981
Usually work part time	730	765	711	827	843	899	872	816
Unemployed	2,666	2,954	2,729	2,830	2,776	2,888	2,832	2,871
Men, 20 years and over								
Civilian labor force	45,012	44,778	44,684	45,140	45,047	45,222	45,239	44,987
Employed	43,943	43,516	43,582	44,092	44,010	44,236	44,227	43,898
Agriculture	2,844	2,672	3,008	2,870	2,795	2,875	2,861	2,884
Nonagricultural industries	41,098	40,844	40,574	41,222	41,215	41,361	41,366	41,014
Unemployed	1,069	1,262	1,102	1,048	1,037	986	1,012	1,089
Women, 20 years and over								
Civilian labor force	25,270	24,999	24,248	25,023	24,862	25,071	25,221	25,139
Employed	24,298	23,955	23,409	24,002	23,834	24,057	24,128	24,167
Agriculture	547	447	623	625	628	636	702	729
Nonagricultural industries	23,751	23,508	22,786	23,377	23,206	23,421	23,426	23,438
Unemployed	972	1,044	838	1,021	1,028	1,014	1,093	972
Both sexes, 16-19 years								
Civilian labor force	5,828	5,737	5,872	6,577	6,614	6,732	6,627	6,638
Employed	5,205	5,088	5,085	5,816	5,903	5,844	5,900	5,828
Agriculture	331	291	390	395	432	379	452	398
Nonagricultural industries	4,874	4,798	4,696	5,421	5,471	5,465	5,448	5,430
Unemployed	623	648	788	761	711	888	727	810

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

(In thousands)

Duration of unemployment	Apr. 1967	Mar. 1967	Apr. 1966	Seasonally adjusted				
				Apr. 1967	Mar. 1967	Feb. 1967	Jan. 1967	Dec. 1966
Less than 5 weeks	1,314	1,408	1,397	1,468	1,633	1,678	1,542	1,562
5 to 14 weeks	775	986	567	900	827	771	787	760
15 weeks and over	576	560	766	436	436	439	485	496
15 to 26 weeks	362	354	474	251	259	249	282	269
27 weeks and over	213	206	292	185	177	190	203	227

Table A-3: Major unemployment indicators

(Persons 16 years and over)

Selected categories	Thousands of persons unemployed		Seasonally adjusted rates of unemployment					
	Apr. 1967	Apr. 1966	Apr. 1967	Mar. 1967	Feb. 1967	Jan. 1967	Dec. 1966	Apr. 1966
Total (all civilian workers).....	2,666	2,729	3.7	3.6	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.7
Men, 20 years and over.....	1,069	1,102	2.3	2.3	2.2	2.2	2.4	2.4
Women, 20 years and over.....	972	838	4.1	4.1	4.0	4.3	3.9	3.7
Both sexes, 16-19 years.....	623	788	11.6	10.7	13.2	11.0	12.2	12.9
White.....	2,119	2,180	3.3	3.1	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Nonwhite.....	547	548	7.3	7.4	7.1	6.6	7.6	7.1
Married men.....	739	709	1.9	1.7	1.6	1.7	1.7	1.8
Full-time workers.....	2,114	2,266	3.3	3.1	3.0	3.1	3.3	3.3
Unemployed 15 weeks and over.....	576	766	.6	.6	.6	.6	.6	.8
State insured ¹	1,387	1,067	2.7	2.5	2.4	2.4	2.3	2.2
Labor force time lost ²	--	--	4.0	4.1	4.0	4.1	4.1	4.1
Occupation								
White-collar workers.....	577	612	1.7	2.1	2.0	2.1	1.9	1.9
Professional and managerial.....	173	170	1.1	1.2	1.1	1.1	1.0	1.0
Clerical workers.....	294	299	2.5	2.9	2.9	3.0	3.0	2.6
Sales workers.....	110	143	2.4	3.6	2.8	3.4	2.0	2.9
Blue-collar workers.....	1,311	1,160	4.6	4.2	4.1	4.2	4.3	4.1
Craftsmen and foremen.....	311	273	2.9	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.6	2.6
Operatives.....	731	618	5.1	4.7	4.7	4.7	4.5	4.2
Nonfarm laborers.....	269	269	7.4	7.3	6.5	7.3	7.8	7.5
Service workers.....	379	416	4.1	4.2	4.6	4.6	5.3	4.7
Industry								
Private wage and salary workers ³	2,022	1,954	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.8	3.7	3.6
Construction.....	304	320	8.1	7.1	7.3	7.5	8.9	8.1
Manufacturing.....	768	616	3.7	3.6	3.3	3.3	3.0	3.0
Durable goods.....	411	260	3.4	3.0	2.8	3.0	2.7	2.3
Nondurable goods.....	357	355	4.0	4.5	4.0	3.8	3.5	4.0
Transportation and public utilities.....	86	91	2.0	1.9	2.1	2.5	1.8	2.2
Wholesale and retail trade.....	420	507	3.5	3.9	4.0	4.1	4.1	4.3
Finance and service industries.....	427	406	3.2	3.4	3.6	3.9	3.8	3.3
Government wage and salary workers.....	180	161	1.8	1.8	1.6	1.6	1.9	1.8
Agricultural wage and salary workers.....	93	82	6.4	5.1	6.4	5.0	6.2	6.1

¹Insured unemployment under State programs as a percent of average covered employment.

²Man-hours lost by the unemployed and persons on part time for economic reasons as a

percent of potentially available labor force man-hours.

³Include s mining, not shown separately.

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

April 1967

Full- and part-time employment status	Total	Men, 20 and over	Women, 20 and over	Both sexes, 16-19 years
Full Time				
Civilian labor force.....	65,640	43,093	19,960	2,586
Employed:				
Full-time schedules.....	61,447	41,084	18,276	2,086
Part time for economic reasons.....	2,079	1,011	890	178
Unemployed, looking for full-time work.....	2,114	998	794	322
Unemployment rate.....	3.2	2.3	4.0	12.5
Part Time				
Civilian labor force.....	10,471	1,919	5,310	3,242
Employed (voluntary part time).....	9,920	1,848	5,133	2,939
Unemployed, looking for part-time work.....	551	71	177	303
Unemployment rate.....	5.3	3.7	3.3	9.3

Table A-5: Employed persons by age and sex

(In thousands)

Age and sex	Apr. 1967	Mar. 1967	Apr. 1966	Seasonally adjusted				
				Apr. 1967	Mar. 1967	Feb. 1967	Jan. 1967	Dec. 1966
Total, 16 years and over	73,445	72,560	72,077	73,910	73,747	74,137	74,255	73,893
16 to 19 years	5,205	5,088	5,085	5,816	5,903	5,844	5,900	5,828
16 and 17 years	2,043	1,991	1,950	2,346	2,478	2,399	2,389	2,427
18 and 19 years	3,162	3,097	3,135	3,470	3,465	3,495	3,516	3,487
20 to 24 years	8,282	8,156	7,837	8,418	8,348	8,355	8,228	8,126
25 years and over	59,959	59,315	59,154	59,650	59,516	60,000	60,125	59,886
25 to 54 years	46,461	46,135	45,873	46,295	46,391	46,616	46,742	46,541
55 years and over	13,498	13,182	13,283	13,360	13,224	13,450	13,468	13,405
Males, 16 years and over	46,836	46,333	46,569	47,273	47,358	47,475	47,533	47,116
16 to 19 years	2,893	2,817	2,987	3,181	3,348	3,239	3,306	3,218
16 and 17 years	1,223	1,202	1,257	1,351	1,512	1,444	1,453	1,463
18 and 19 years	1,670	1,615	1,730	1,825	1,854	1,852	1,867	1,802
20 to 24 years	4,655	4,575	4,503	4,771	4,762	4,812	4,721	4,588
25 years and over	39,288	38,941	39,079	39,306	39,276	39,474	39,493	39,259
25 to 54 years	30,517	30,369	30,387	30,558	30,645	30,697	30,776	30,519
55 years and over	8,770	8,573	8,693	8,717	8,670	8,777	8,758	8,767
Females, 16 years and over	26,610	26,226	25,508	26,637	26,389	26,662	26,722	26,777
16 to 19 years	2,312	2,271	2,098	2,635	2,555	2,605	2,594	2,610
16 and 17 years	820	789	693	995	966	955	936	964
18 and 19 years	1,492	1,482	1,405	1,645	1,611	1,643	1,649	1,685
20 to 24 years	3,627	3,581	3,334	3,647	3,586	3,543	3,507	3,538
25 years and over	20,671	20,374	20,075	20,344	20,240	20,526	20,632	20,627
25 to 54 years	15,944	15,766	15,486	15,737	15,746	15,919	15,966	16,022
55 years and over	4,728	4,609	4,590	4,643	4,554	4,673	4,710	4,638

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 Apr. 1967	Seasonally adjusted unemployment rates					
	Apr. 1967	Mar. 1967		Apr. 1967	Mar. 1967	Feb. 1967	Jan. 1967	Dec. 1966	Nov. 1966
Total, 16 years and over	2,666	2,954	79.3	3.7	3.6	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.5
16 to 19 years	623	648	51.7	11.6	10.7	13.2	11.0	12.2	11.4
16 and 17 years	297	308	29.6	14.8	12.0	16.4	13.1	13.8	12.9
18 and 19 years	326	340	71.8	10.9	9.8	11.0	9.5	10.8	10.6
20 to 24 years	424	498	92.9	5.1	5.4	5.2	5.6	5.6	5.0
25 years and over	1,617	1,808	86.6	2.6	2.6	2.5	2.6	2.6	2.5
25 to 54 years	1,256	1,420	88.8	2.7	2.6	2.6	2.6	2.5	2.5
55 years and over	362	390	78.7	2.5	2.5	2.2	2.9	2.5	2.4
Males, 16 years and over	1,433	1,634	81.1	3.0	2.9	3.0	2.9	3.2	3.0
16 to 19 years	363	372	45.2	11.8	10.1	12.6	11.1	12.2	10.5
16 and 17 years	199	195	29.6	16.8	11.3	14.8	13.9	13.8	11.5
18 and 19 years	164	177	64.0	10.8	9.0	10.3	8.8	10.8	9.7
20 to 24 years	191	241	95.3	4.0	4.2	3.6	4.2	5.3	4.9
25 years and over	878	1,021	93.1	2.1	2.1	2.0	2.0	2.1	2.2
25 to 54 years	634	765	97.5	2.0	2.0	1.9	1.8	2.0	2.1
55 years and over	245	256	81.2	2.6	2.4	2.2	2.8	2.3	2.4
Females, 16 years and over	1,233	1,319	77.2	4.9	4.9	5.1	5.0	4.7	4.4
16 to 19 years	260	276	60.8	11.3	11.6	13.9	10.8	12.2	12.6
16 and 17 years	98	113	(1)	12.0	13.1	18.7	11.9	13.7	14.9
18 and 19 years	162	163	79.6	11.0	10.7	11.7	10.2	10.7	11.5
20 to 24 years	233	257	91.0	6.6	6.9	7.3	7.4	6.1	5.2
25 years and over	739	787	78.9	3.6	3.6	3.5	3.8	3.5	3.1
25 to 54 years	622	655	79.9	3.9	3.9	3.7	4.0	3.6	3.4
55 years and over	117	134	73.5	2.4	2.8	2.1	3.3	3.0	2.3

1/ Percent not shown where base is less than 100,000.

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

(In thousands)

Industry	Apr. 1967	Mar. 1967	Feb. 1967	Apr. 1966	Change from		Seasonally adjusted			
					Mar. 1967	Apr. 1966	Apr. 1967	Mar. 1967	Feb. 1967	Change from Mar. 1967
TOTAL	65,028	64,604	64,286	62,928	424	2,100	65,611	65,513	65,497	98
MINING	620	609	609	590	11	30	626	626	626	0
CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION	3,105	2,895	2,841	3,156	210	-51	3,279	3,320	3,350	-41
MANUFACTURING	19,088	19,159	19,196	18,774	-71	314	19,234	19,351	19,402	-117
<i>Production workers</i>	14,058	14,134	14,180	13,969	-76	89	14,189	14,304	14,370	-115
DURABLE GOODS	11,250	11,291	11,320	11,039	-41	211	11,275	11,376	11,408	-101
<i>Production workers</i>	8,258	8,299	8,333	8,207	-41	51	8,275	8,375	8,417	-100
Ordnance and accessories	285.2	283.0	281.4	247.8	2.2	37.4	286	283	281	3
Lumber and wood products	591.4	587.5	585.2	617.6	3.9	-26.2	606	619	614	-13
Furniture and fixtures	446.6	450.8	453.8	447.2	-4.2	-6	451	455	459	-4
Stone, clay, and glass products ..	621.0	613.4	608.5	641.7	7.6	-20.7	626	636	638	-10
Primary metal industries	1,298.0	1,308.8	1,317.5	1,321.7	-10.8	-23.7	1,284	1,305	1,322	-21
Fabricated metal products	1,352.6	1,355.1	1,362.0	1,337.0	-2.5	15.6	1,361	1,373	1,374	-12
Machinery	1,941.8	1,943.9	1,939.0	1,841.7	-2.1	100.1	1,927	1,932	1,935	-5
Electrical equipment	1,921.5	1,945.7	1,960.9	1,842.8	-24.2	78.7	1,939	1,960	1,967	-21
Transportation equipment	1,912.2	1,930.2	1,942.7	1,894.7	-18.0	17.5	1,904	1,924	1,928	-20
Instruments and related products .	446.4	447.2	446.1	416.0	-8	30.4	448	449	448	-1
Miscellaneous manufacturing	432.9	425.0	422.8	430.9	7.9	2.0	443	440	442	3
NONDURABLE GOODS	7,838	7,868	7,876	7,735	-30	103	7,959	7,975	7,994	-16
<i>Production workers</i>	5,800	5,835	5,847	5,762	-35	38	5,914	5,929	5,953	-15
Food and kindred products	1,690.4	1,692.6	1,689.5	1,676.0	-2.2	14.4	1,771	1,786	1,781	-15
Tobacco manufactures	75.3	77.1	81.4	75.6	-1.8	-3	86	85	84	1
Textile mill products	933.0	935.8	933.7	947.6	-2.8	-14.6	935	941	942	-6
Apparel and related products	1,367.6	1,393.0	1,405.8	1,380.4	-25.4	-12.8	1,383	1,378	1,399	5
Paper and allied products	680.4	680.7	678.3	659.4	-3	21.0	685	688	686	-3
Printing and publishing	1,063.0	1,064.1	1,057.0	1,014.6	-1.1	48.4	1,065	1,067	1,060	-2
Chemicals and allied products	983.7	976.7	973.0	944.0	7.0	39.7	977	978	981	-1
Petroleum and related products ..	181.1	179.2	178.8	180.6	1.9	5	182	181	182	1
Rubber and plastic products	522.9	523.8	527.2	502.0	-9	20.9	527	527	530	0
Leather and leather products	340.4	345.0	351.2	354.9	-4.6	-14.5	348	344	349	4
TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC UTILITIES	4,153	4,166	4,153	4,077	-13	76	4,191	4,221	4,225	-30
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	13,382	13,308	13,205	13,015	74	367	13,665	13,477	13,524	188
WHOLESALE TRADE	3,503	3,502	3,496	3,386	1	117	3,553	3,552	3,535	1
RETAIL TRADE	9,879	9,806	9,709	9,629	73	250	10,112	9,925	9,989	187
FINANCE, INSURANCE, AND REAL ESTATE	3,162	3,136	3,114	3,056	26	106	3,175	3,158	3,142	17
SERVICE AND MISCELLANEOUS ..	9,974	9,837	9,750	9,465	137	509	9,994	9,977	9,919	17
GOVERNMENT	11,544	11,494	11,418	10,795	50	749	11,447	11,383	11,309	64
FEDERAL	2,701	2,669	2,652	2,493	32	208	2,709	2,688	2,673	21
STATE AND LOCAL	8,843	8,825	8,766	8,302	18	541	8,738	8,695	8,636	43

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

Table B-2: Average weekly hours of production or nonsupervisory workers¹ on private nonagricultural payrolls, by industry

Industry	Apr. 1967	Mar. 1967	Feb. 1967	Apr. 1966	Change from		Seasonally adjusted			
					Mar. 1967	Apr. 1966	Apr. 1967	Mar. 1967	Feb. 1967	Change from Mar. 1967
TOTAL PRIVATE	37.9	38.0	37.8	38.5	-0.1	-0.6	-	-	-	-
MINING	42.4	41.7	41.6	41.4	.7	1.0	42.7	42.2	42.1	0.5
CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION	37.0	36.8	35.8	36.9	.2	.1	37.3	37.6	37.5	-.3
MANUFACTURING	40.2	40.3	40.1	41.2	-.1	-1.0	40.5	40.4	40.3	.1
<i>Overtime hours</i>	3.0	3.2	3.2	3.9	-.2	-.9	3.1	3.4	3.5	-.3
DURABLE GOODS	40.8	41.0	40.7	42.2	-.2	-1.4	40.9	41.1	40.9	-.2
<i>Overtime hours</i>	3.1	3.3	3.4	4.3	-.2	-1.2	3.2	3.5	3.7	-.3
Ordnance and accessories	41.5	41.6	41.5	42.1	-.1	-.6	41.6	41.7	41.5	-.1
Lumber and wood products	40.5	40.3	39.5	41.1	.2	-.6	40.7	40.8	40.3	-.1
Furniture and fixtures	39.2	39.8	39.7	40.9	-.6	-1.7	39.9	40.2	40.1	-.3
Stone, clay, and glass products	41.1	41.0	40.5	42.1	.1	-1.0	41.1	41.7	41.5	-.6
Primary metal industries	40.5	40.9	40.9	42.3	-.4	-1.8	40.0	40.7	40.8	-.7
Fabricated metal products	40.9	41.3	41.1	42.1	-.4	-1.2	41.1	41.5	41.4	-.4
Machinery	42.6	43.0	43.0	43.8	-.4	-1.2	42.5	42.9	42.9	-.4
Electrical equipment	39.4	40.0	39.8	41.1	-.6	-1.7	39.7	40.1	39.9	-.4
Transportation equipment	41.1	40.5	40.3	43.0	.6	-1.9	41.5	40.7	40.7	.8
Instruments and related products	41.1	41.2	40.8	41.9	-.1	-.8	41.2	41.4	40.9	-.2
Miscellaneous manufacturing	39.2	39.4	38.7	39.7	-.2	-.5	39.5	39.3	38.7	.2
NONDURABLE GOODS	39.4	39.4	39.2	39.9	0	-.5	39.8	39.6	39.5	.2
<i>Overtime hours</i>	2.9	3.0	2.9	3.3	-.1	-.4	3.0	3.1	3.1	-.1
Food and kindred products	40.3	40.5	40.3	40.4	-.2	-.1	41.0	41.1	41.0	-.1
Tobacco manufactures	38.0	37.4	36.0	38.1	.6	-.1	39.1	38.5	37.5	.6
Textile mill products	40.2	40.2	40.1	41.4	0	-1.2	40.6	40.3	40.1	.3
Apparel and related products	35.9	35.9	35.7	36.1	0	-.2	36.2	35.5	35.6	.7
Paper and allied products	42.4	42.5	42.3	43.2	-.1	-.8	42.9	42.7	42.7	.2
Printing and publishing	38.5	38.6	38.3	38.6	-.1	-.1	38.8	38.5	38.5	.3
Chemicals and allied products	41.9	41.7	41.2	42.4	.2	-.5	41.8	41.7	41.4	-.1
Petroleum and related products	43.1	42.5	41.8	42.6	.6	.5	43.1	43.2	42.8	-.1
Rubber and plastic products	40.8	40.8	40.5	41.9	0	-1.1	41.3	41.0	40.7	.3
Leather and leather products	36.2	37.0	37.5	37.8	-.8	-1.6	37.4	37.0	37.1	.4
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	36.3	36.4	36.3	36.9	-.1	-.6	36.5	36.6	36.6	-.1
WHOLESALE TRADE	40.5	40.4	40.3	40.6	-.1	-.1	40.6	40.5	40.5	-.1
RETAIL TRADE	34.9	35.0	34.9	35.7	-.1	-.8	35.1	35.3	35.2	-.2
FINANCE, INSURANCE, AND REAL ESTATE	37.1	37.1	37.1	37.3	0	-.2	-	-	-	-

¹ DATA RELATE TO PRODUCTION WORKERS IN MINING AND MANUFACTURING; TO CONSTRUCTION WORKERS IN CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION; AND TO NONSUPERVISORY WORKERS IN WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE; FINANCE, INSURANCE, AND REAL ESTATE; TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC UTILITIES; AND SERVICES. THESE GROUPS ACCOUNT FOR APPROXIMATELY FOUR-FIFTHS OF THE TOTAL EMPLOYMENT ON PRIVATE NONAGRICULTURAL PAYROLLS. TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC UTILITIES, AND SERVICES ARE INCLUDED IN TOTAL PRIVATE BUT ARE NOT SHOWN SEPARATELY IN THIS TABLE.

NOTE: DATA FOR THE 2 MOST RECENT MONTHS ARE PRELIMINARY.

Table B-3: Average hourly and weekly earnings of production or nonsupervisory workers¹ on private nonagricultural payrolls, by industry

Industry	Average hourly earnings						Average weekly earnings					
	Apr. 1967	Mar. 1967	Feb. 1967	Apr. 1966	Change from		Apr. 1967	Mar. 1967	Feb. 1967	Apr. 1966	Change from	
					Mar. 1967	Apr. 1966					Mar. 1967	Apr. 1966
TOTAL PRIVATE	\$2.63	\$2.61	\$2.61	\$2.53	\$0.02	\$0.10	\$99.68	\$99.18	\$98.66	\$97.41	\$0.50	\$ 2.27
MINING	3.18	3.16	3.15	2.94	.02	.24	134.83	131.77	131.04	121.72	3.06	13.11
CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION	3.98	3.98	3.99	3.81	0	.17	147.26	146.46	142.84	140.59	.80	6.67
MANUFACTURING	2.80	2.79	2.78	2.70	.01	.10	112.56	112.44	111.48	111.24	.12	1.32
DURABLE GOODS	2.97	2.96	2.96	2.88	.01	.09	121.18	121.36	120.47	121.54	-.18	-.36
Ordnance and accessories	3.22	3.22	3.23	3.17	0	.05	133.63	133.95	134.05	133.46	-.32	-.17
Lumber and wood products	2.35	2.32	2.32	2.25	.03	.10	95.18	93.50	91.64	92.48	1.68	2.70
Furniture and fixtures	2.28	2.27	2.26	2.17	.01	.11	89.38	90.35	89.72	88.75	-.97	.63
Stone, clay, and glass products	2.80	2.78	2.77	2.71	.02	.09	115.08	113.98	112.19	114.09	1.10	.99
Primary metal industries	3.31	3.31	3.30	3.28	0	.03	134.06	135.38	134.97	138.74	-1.32	4.68
Fabricated metal products	2.94	2.93	2.93	2.85	.01	.09	120.25	121.01	120.42	119.99	-.76	.26
Machinery	3.15	3.16	3.16	3.06	-.01	.09	134.19	135.88	135.88	134.03	-1.69	.16
Electrical equipment	2.72	2.71	2.71	2.62	.01	.10	107.17	108.40	107.86	107.68	-1.23	-.51
Transportation equipment	3.39	3.37	3.38	3.29	.02	.10	139.33	136.49	136.21	141.47	2.84	-2.14
Instruments and related products	2.76	2.76	2.77	2.69	0	.07	113.44	113.71	113.02	112.71	-.27	.73
Miscellaneous manufacturing	2.33	2.34	2.33	2.21	-.01	.12	91.34	92.20	90.17	87.74	-.86	3.60
NONDURABLE GOODS	2.55	2.54	2.53	2.43	.01	.12	100.47	100.08	99.18	96.96	.39	3.51
Food and kindred products	2.65	2.63	2.61	2.53	.02	.12	106.80	106.52	105.18	102.21	.28	4.59
Tobacco manufactures	2.34	2.35	2.28	2.27	-.01	.07	88.92	87.89	82.08	86.49	1.03	2.43
Textile mill products	2.02	2.01	2.01	1.93	.01	.09	81.20	80.80	80.60	79.90	.40	1.30
Apparel and related products	2.00	2.00	1.99	1.87	0	.13	71.80	71.80	71.04	67.51	0	4.29
Paper and allied products	2.82	2.81	2.80	2.72	.01	.10	119.57	119.43	118.44	117.50	.14	2.07
Printing and publishing	3.22	3.23	3.22	3.13	-.01	.09	123.97	124.68	123.33	120.82	-.71	3.15
Chemicals and allied products	3.05	3.05	3.04	2.94	0	.11	127.80	127.19	125.25	124.66	.61	3.14
Petroleum and related products	3.57	3.56	3.54	3.42	.01	.15	153.87	151.30	147.97	145.69	2.57	8.18
Rubber and plastic products	2.71	2.70	2.69	2.64	.01	.07	110.57	110.16	108.95	110.62	-.41	-.05
Leather and leather products	2.06	2.05	2.03	1.94	.01	.12	74.57	75.85	76.13	73.33	-1.28	1.24
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	2.23	2.22	2.22	2.12	.01	.11	80.95	80.81	80.59	78.23	.14	2.72
WHOLESALE TRADE	2.86	2.84	2.83	2.72	.02	.14	115.83	114.74	114.05	110.43	1.09	5.40
RETAIL TRADE	1.99	1.98	1.98	1.89	.01	.10	69.45	69.30	69.10	67.47	.15	1.98
FINANCE, INSURANCE, AND REAL ESTATE	2.58	2.57	2.56	2.48	.01	.10	95.72	95.35	94.98	92.50	.37	3.22

¹ SEE FOOTNOTE 1, TABLE B-2.

NOTE: DATA FOR THE 2 MOST RECENT MONTHS ARE PRELIMINARY.