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Employment advanced in June but unemployment rose as the labor force expanded substantially, the U. S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics reported today. The unemployment rate moved up from 3.5 to 3.8 percent as a result of an increase in unemployment among teenagers and 20-24 year-olds.

Unemployment

There were 3.6 million unemployed persons in June, an increase of 1.3 million from the May level. Unemployment normally moves up sharply in June; this year's rise, however, was 200,000 more than seasonally expected. With many young people entering the job market at the close of school, teenagers accounted for 1.0 million of the over-the-month rise in unemployment, while joblessness among 20-24 year-olds increased by 300,000.

After seasonal adjustment, the teenage unemployment rate increased from 12.6 percent in May to 13.6 percent in June; for 20-24 year-olds the rate rose from 5.3 to 6.5 percent. Most of the increase in the teenage rate took place among boys, whereas among 20-24 year-olds the rise was sharpest for girls.

For 16-19 and 20-24 year-olds combined, the labor force expanded by 2.9 million from May to June, exactly the same as last year's expansion. However, the May-to-June 1968 employment advance was 1.6 million, compared with 1.8 million a year earlier. Industries which normally absorb many of the young workers seeking jobs in June--agriculture, construction, and retail trade--showed less than the usual June employment pickups. Unemployment rates increased in all three of these industries over the month.

For adult workers and for full-time workers, unemployment showed little change over the month. The jobless rate for all workers aged 25 and over held steady at 2.2 percent in both May and June. For married men, the unemployment rate was 1.7 percent in June, up slightly over the month but down from 1.9 percent a year ago.

The total unemployment rate was up from 3.5 percent in April and May to 3.8 percent in June, the highest point since last November. The June rate was the same as the annual average for both 1966 and 1967 and was little changed from last June's rate (3.9 percent). Compared with a year earlier, unemployment declined sharply for adult men and women, but this drop was offset by an increase in youth joblessness.

The unemployment rate for nonwhite workers increased from 6.4 to 7.2 percent over the month, primarily reflecting a sharp rise in the unemployment rate for nonwhite youth. During the second quarter of 1968, the nonwhite rate averaged 6.8 percent compared to a white rate of 3.2 percent. Both rates were unchanged from the first quarter of 1968 and at their lowest point since the Korean period.

The State insured unemployment rate, which primarily relates to experienced adult workers, remained unchanged at 2.2 percent for the third consecutive month. Over the year, there were 140,000 fewer insured unemployed workers, and the rate declined 0.4 percentage point.

Labor Force and Total Employment

The total civilian labor force increased by 2.6 million persons in June and topped the 80-million mark for the first time. Teenagers, as expected, accounted for nearly all of the increase.

Total employment, at 77.3 million in June, was up 1.3 million from May. A 500,000 increase in agricultural employment, which was slightly less than seasonally expected, accounted for a large part of the over-the-month rise.

Teenagers constituted most of the May-to-June rise in the number of workers employed part time for economic reasons. Approximately 600,000 of the employed 16-19 year-olds worked part time in June, although they wanted full-time employment.

Industry Employment

Total nonfarm payroll employment rose 80,000 in June to 67.9 million (seasonally adjusted). All major industry divisions except construction and mining showed seasonally adjusted employment pickups. Gains of about 40,000 each took place in manufacturing, transportation and public utilities, services, and State and local government. These increases were partially offset by a seasonally adjusted decline of 80,000 in contract construction. Uncertainty about the availability of mortgage money and weakness in housing starts contributed to the decline in construction employment.

Most of the seasonally adjusted employment gain in manufacturing took place in the nondurable goods sector and was widespread among the individual industries. In durables, a decline of about 10,000 in primary metals employment resulted from a strike in the aluminum industry.

Over the year, the number of employees on nonagricultural payrolls rose by almost 2.1 million, a 3 percent gain. Service-producing industries accounted for four-fifths of the total increase. Employment growth over the year was about 6 1/2 percent in State and local government, 4 percent in services and finance, and about 3 1/2 percent in trade. Manufacturing employment increased about 2 percent over the year, while construction employment was up just over 1 percent.

Hours and Earnings

The workweek for manufacturing production workers held steady at 40.9 hours in June (seasonally adjusted), equal to the highest level of the last 17 months. For all rank and file workers on private payrolls, the workweek increased slightly to 37.9 hours (seasonally adjusted), as a result of increases in construction (0.4 hour) and trade (0.3 hour).

A one-cent rise in the average hourly earnings of all workers on private payrolls, together with an 0.4 hour increase, boosted their weekly earnings to \$108.20, up \$1.51 from May. Over the year, weekly earnings rose by \$6.47 (6 percent).

Average hourly earnings for factory production workers rose to \$3.00 for the first time. Over the year, hourly earnings increased 18 cents or 6 percent. At \$123.30, weekly earnings for manufacturing workers were up \$1.01 from May and \$8.81 from June 1967.

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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 surveys 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	June 1968	May 1968	June 1967	Seasonally adjusted				
				June 1968	May 1968	April 1968	March 1968	Feb. 1968
Total								
Total labor force.....	84,454	81,770	82,464	82,585	82,149	81,849	82,150	82,138
Civilian labor force.....	80,887	78,234	79,020	79,018	78,613	78,343	78,658	78,672
Employed.....	77,273	75,931	75,391	76,048	75,829	75,636	75,802	75,731
Agriculture.....	4,516	3,996	4,395	3,851	3,893	3,980	4,014	4,127
Nonagricultural industries.....	72,757	71,935	70,996	72,197	71,936	71,656	71,788	71,604
On part time for economic reasons.....	2,199	1,469	2,224	1,911	1,569	1,591	1,743	1,775
Usually work full time.....	1,120	790	1,133	1,051	806	827	851	915
Usually work part time.....	1,079	679	1,091	860	763	764	892	860
Unemployed.....	3,614	2,303	3,628	2,990	2,784	2,707	2,856	2,941
Men, 20 years and over								
Civilian labor force.....	46,409	45,729	45,778	45,923	45,713	45,716	45,792	45,909
Employed.....	45,413	44,886	44,716	44,858	44,742	44,758	44,783	44,842
Agriculture.....	3,064	2,915	2,955	2,845	2,855	2,877	2,892	2,955
Nonagricultural industries.....	42,349	41,971	41,761	42,013	41,887	41,881	41,891	41,887
Unemployed.....	997	843	1,062	1,065	971	958	1,009	1,067
Women, 20 years and over								
Civilian labor force.....	26,183	26,465	25,127	26,297	26,199	25,918	26,094	26,070
Employed.....	25,163	25,620	24,023	25,315	25,232	24,969	25,128	25,036
Agriculture.....	797	688	771	603	620	637	681	690
Nonagricultural industries.....	24,366	24,932	23,254	24,712	24,612	24,332	24,447	24,346
Unemployed.....	1,020	845	1,103	982	967	949	966	1,034
Both sexes, 16-19 years								
Civilian labor force.....	8,295	6,040	8,115	6,798	6,701	6,709	6,772	6,693
Employed.....	6,697	5,425	6,652	5,875	5,855	5,909	5,891	5,853
Agriculture.....	655	392	670	403	418	466	441	482
Nonagricultural industries.....	6,042	5,032	5,982	5,472	5,437	5,443	5,450	5,371
Unemployed.....	1,598	616	1,463	923	846	800	880	840

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

(In thousands)

Duration of unemployment	June 1968	May 1968	June 1967	Seasonally adjusted				
				June 1968	May 1968	April 1968	March 1968	Feb. 1968
Less than 5 weeks.....	2,510	1,279	2,453	1,753	1,696	1,507	1,689	1,721
5 to 14 weeks.....	694	584	750	841	718	830	755	776
15 weeks and over.....	409	440	426	423	410	398	448	455
15 to 26 weeks.....	243	303	272	260	283	241	268	286
27 weeks and over.....	167	137	154	163	127	157	180	169

Table A-3: Major unemployment indicators

(Persons 16 years and over)

Selected categories	Thousands of persons unemployed		Seasonally adjusted rates of unemployment					
	June 1968	June 1967	June 1968	May 1968	April 1968	March 1968	Feb. 1968	June 1967
Total (all civilian workers).....	3,614	3,628	3.8	3.5	3.5	3.6	3.7	3.9
Men, 20 years and over.....	997	1,062	2.3	2.1	2.1	2.2	2.3	2.5
Women, 20 years and over.....	1,020	1,103	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.7	4.0	4.2
Both sexes, 16-19 years.....	1,598	1,463	13.6	12.6	11.9	13.0	12.6	12.7
White.....	2,844	2,852	3.3	3.2	3.1	3.2	3.3	3.5
Nonwhite.....	770	776	7.2	6.4	6.7	6.9	7.2	7.7
Married men.....	563	625	1.7	1.6	1.5	1.7	1.7	1.9
Full-time workers.....	2,906	3,000	3.3	3.2	3.1	3.2	3.4	3.6
Unemployed 15 weeks and over.....	409	426	.5	.5	.5	.6	.6	.6
State insured ¹	883	1,023	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.3	2.3	2.6
Labor force time lost ²	--	--	4.3	3.6	3.7	4.0	4.2	4.4
Occupation								
White-collar workers.....	880	903	2.1	1.9	1.8	1.9	2.2	2.2
Professional and managerial.....	283	268	1.2	1.2	.8	.9	1.1	1.2
Clerical workers.....	432	443	2.9	3.0	2.8	2.9	3.3	3.2
Sales workers.....	165	192	3.0	1.9	3.0	3.2	2.9	3.6
Blue-collar workers.....	1,187	1,302	4.2	3.7	3.9	4.4	4.3	4.6
Craftsmen and foremen.....	225	233	2.6	2.3	2.2	2.6	2.5	2.7
Operatives.....	654	757	4.4	4.0	4.4	4.7	4.9	5.1
Nonfarm laborers.....	307	312	7.5	6.5	6.5	7.8	7.2	7.6
Service workers.....	612	475	5.3	4.3	4.5	4.0	4.4	4.3
Industry								
Private wage and salary workers ³	2,385	2,282	3.8	3.4	3.4	3.6	3.8	4.0
Construction.....	229	233	8.1	6.5	5.7	8.0	7.4	8.4
Manufacturing.....	676	824	3.2	3.2	3.3	3.5	3.6	3.9
Durable goods.....	331	433	2.8	2.9	2.7	3.1	3.4	3.6
Nondurable goods.....	346	392	3.7	3.7	4.1	4.0	3.9	4.3
Transportation and public utilities.....	93	112	2.1	1.5	1.4	1.6	2.1	2.5
Wholesale and retail trade.....	620	540	4.5	3.5	3.8	4.0	4.3	4.1
Finance and service industries.....	638	557	3.7	3.5	3.5	3.1	3.4	3.3
Government wage and salary workers.....	338	325	2.2	1.6	1.6	1.8	1.8	2.2
Agricultural wage and salary workers.....	113	115	7.6	6.1	6.0	6.3	4.3	7.7

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

percent of potentially available labor force man-hours.

²Man-hours lost by the unemployed and persons on part time for economic reasons as a³Includes mining, not shown separately.

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

June 1968

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.....	71,255	44,572	20,813	5,870
Employed:				
Full-time schedules.....	65,884	42,845	19,166	3,873
Part time for economic reasons.....	2,465	825	843	797
Unemployed, looking for full-time work.....	2,906	902	804	1,200
Unemployment rate.....	4.1	2.0	3.9	20.4
Part Time				
Civilian labor force.....	9,633	1,837	5,370	2,425
Employed (voluntary part time).....	8,924	1,742	5,154	2,028
Unemployed, looking for part-time work.....	708	95	216	398
Unemployment rate.....	7.4	5.2	4.0	16.4

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Table A-5: Employed persons by age and sex

(In thousands)

Age and sex	June 1968	May 1968	June 1967	Seasonally adjusted				
				June 1968	May 1968	April 1968	March 1968	Feb. 1968
Total, 16 years and over	77,273	75,931	75,391	76,048	75,829	75,636	75,802	75,731
16 to 19 years	6,697	5,425	6,652	5,875	5,855	5,909	5,891	5,853
16 and 17 years	2,969	2,251	2,832	2,475	2,414	2,440	2,469	2,467
18 and 19 years	3,729	3,174	3,820	3,371	3,406	3,456	3,479	3,389
20 to 24 years	8,925	8,560	8,763	8,700	8,646	8,649	8,653	8,676
25 years and over	61,651	61,946	59,976	61,443	61,339	61,088	61,250	61,203
25 to 54 years	47,580	47,913	46,227	47,518	47,528	47,396	47,615	47,538
55 years and over	14,071	14,033	13,748	13,908	13,765	13,667	13,718	13,715
Males, 16 years and over	49,363	48,014	48,654	48,111	48,017	48,083	48,059	48,056
16 to 19 years	3,950	3,128	3,938	3,253	3,275	3,325	3,276	3,214
16 and 17 years	1,855	1,425	1,791	1,454	1,447	1,468	1,499	1,501
18 and 19 years	2,095	1,703	2,147	1,786	1,798	1,844	1,824	1,735
20 to 24 years	5,013	4,655	5,086	4,787	4,730	4,776	4,791	4,844
25 years and over	44,400	40,231	39,630	40,078	39,960	40,017	40,004	40,000
25 to 54 years	31,215	31,149	30,645	30,998	30,995	31,038	31,123	31,084
55 years and over	9,184	9,083	8,984	9,044	8,967	8,921	8,921	8,931
Females, 16 years and over	27,910	27,917	26,738	27,937	27,812	27,553	27,743	27,675
16 to 19 years	2,747	2,297	2,714	2,622	2,580	2,584	2,615	2,639
16 and 17 years	1,114	827	1,041	1,021	967	972	970	966
18 and 19 years	1,633	1,470	1,673	1,585	1,608	1,612	1,655	1,654
20 to 24 years	3,912	3,905	3,677	3,913	3,916	3,873	3,862	3,832
25 years and over	21,251	21,715	20,346	21,365	21,379	21,071	21,246	21,203
25 to 54 years	16,364	16,764	15,582	16,520	16,533	16,358	16,492	16,454
55 years and over	4,887	4,951	4,764	4,864	4,798	4,746	4,797	4,784

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 June 1968	Seasonally adjusted unemployment rates					
	June 1968	May 1968		June 1968	May 1968	April 1968	March 1968	Feb. 1968	June 1967
Total, 16 years and over	3,614	2,303	80.4	3.8	3.5	3.5	3.6	3.7	3.9
16 to 19 years	1,598	616	75.1	13.6	12.6	11.9	13.0	12.6	12.7
16 and 17 years	847	312	70.5	15.1	14.4	13.5	15.2	15.8	13.9
18 and 19 years	750	303	80.4	12.1	11.5	10.8	11.4	10.9	11.6
20 to 24 years	732	438	86.1	6.5	5.3	5.4	6.0	6.4	5.7
25 years and over	1,284	1,250	83.7	2.2	2.2	2.3	2.3	2.4	2.7
25 to 54 years	984	971	87.3	2.2	2.3	2.4	2.3	2.4	2.8
55 years and over	300	279	72.0	2.3	2.1	1.9	2.2	2.3	2.3
Males, 16 years and over	1,775	1,135	84.3	3.1	2.7	2.7	2.9	3.0	3.3
16 to 19 years	778	292	76.3	12.9	10.5	10.4	11.8	12.0	12.5
16 and 17 years	441	178	71.7	14.6	13.9	13.8	13.9	13.3	14.0
18 and 19 years	337	114	82.5	10.9	8.3	8.0	9.8	10.6	10.9
20 to 24 years	341	227	90.6	5.5	5.2	4.9	5.4	5.5	4.9
25 years and over	656	616	90.4	1.8	1.7	1.8	1.8	1.9	2.1
25 to 54 years	466	433	97.6	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.8	2.0
55 years and over	190	182	72.1	2.4	2.2	1.8	2.1	2.2	2.6
Females, 16 years and over	1,839	1,169	76.7	4.9	4.9	4.7	4.8	4.9	5.1
16 to 19 years	820	324	73.9	14.6	15.2	13.8	14.5	13.2	12.9
16 and 17 years	406	135	69.2	15.8	15.0	12.9	17.2	19.5	13.7
18 and 19 years	414	189	78.5	13.4	14.9	13.9	13.1	11.3	12.4
20 to 24 years	392	211	81.9	7.6	5.5	5.9	6.7	7.5	6.8
25 years and over	628	634	76.9	2.9	3.2	3.3	3.2	3.3	3.7
25 to 54 years	518	538	78.0	3.2	3.5	3.6	3.4	3.5	4.4
55 years and over	110	97	71.8	2.3	2.1	2.1	2.4	2.6	1.8

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

Industry	(In thousands)									
	June 1968	May 1968	Apr. 1968	June 1967	Change from		Seasonally adjusted			
					May 1968	June 1967	June 1968	May 1968	Apr. 1968	Change from May 1968
TOTAL	68,544	67,716	67,422	66,490	828	2,054	67,863	67,781	67,755	82
MINING	642	631	626	636	11	6	627	631	632	-4
CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION	3,361	3,258	3,157	3,341	123	40	3,169	3,248	3,313	-79
MANUFACTURING	19,843	19,563	19,507	19,475	280	368	19,725	19,685	19,657	40
<i>Production workers</i>	14,574	14,347	14,303	14,322	227	252	14,475	14,441	14,439	34
DURABLE GOODS	11,654	11,527	11,507	11,477	127	177	11,548	11,541	11,533	7
<i>Production workers</i>	8,497	8,397	8,388	8,403	100	94	8,401	8,398	8,406	3
Ordnance and accessories	341.8	336.6	336.2	313.4	5.2	28.4	344	338	337	6
Lumber and wood products	615.4	593.4	588.0	618.3	22.0	-2.9	591	594	599	-3
Furniture and fixtures	470.5	464.4	463.5	450.4	6.1	20.1	471	470	468	1
Stone, clay, and glass products ..	656.0	641.9	636.9	639.5	14.1	16.5	641	640	641	1
Primary metal industries	1,333.8	1,330.2	1,326.5	1,338.3	3.6	-4.5	1,309	1,321	1,320	-12
Fabricated metal products	1,395.9	1,372.2	1,366.1	1,375.4	23.7	20.5	1,382	1,376	1,373	6
Machinery, except electrical	1,963.4	1,951.9	1,958.3	1,984.8	11.5	-21.4	1,948	1,948	1,949	0
Electrical equipment	1,963.6	1,939.1	1,939.2	1,903.5	24.5	60.1	1,968	1,963	1,955	5
Transportation equipment	2,032.2	2,025.7	2,026.6	1,973.6	6.5	58.6	2,018	2,012	2,015	6
Instruments and related products ..	447.9	444.9	445.7	449.1	3.0	-1.2	446	448	448	-2
Miscellaneous manufacturing	433.9	426.9	419.5	430.7	7.0	3.2	430	431	428	-1
NONDURABLE GOODS	8,189	8,036	8,000	7,998	153	191	8,177	8,144	8,124	33
<i>Production workers</i>	6,077	5,950	5,915	5,919	127	158	6,074	6,043	6,033	31
Food and kindred products	1,771.1	1,711.1	1,699.4	1,788.8	60.0	-17.7	1,780	1,779	1,783	1
Tobacco manufactures	75.4	75.3	71.7	76.4	.1	-1.0	86	87	81	-1
Textile mill products	997.8	981.0	976.5	962.2	16.8	35.6	989	982	979	7
Apparel and other textile products	1,437.5	1,412.2	1,401.9	1,405.2	25.3	32.3	1,432	1,422	1,417	10
Paper and allied products	701.1	688.5	686.4	690.4	12.6	10.7	695	695	692	0
Printing and publishing	1,066.4	1,056.0	1,057.2	1,050.9	10.4	15.5	1,064	1,060	1,058	4
Chemicals and allied products	1,030.0	1,023.5	1,023.7	1,005.5	6.5	24.5	1,025	1,022	1,020	3
Petroleum and coal products	189.7	184.8	183.6	186.0	4.9	3.7	187	185	185	2
Rubber and plastics products, n.e.c.	558.8	548.8	546.2	480.9	10.0	77.9	559	552	550	7
Leather and leather products	361.4	354.7	353.0	351.3	6.7	10.1	360	360	359	0
TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC UTILITIES	4,359	4,270	4,296	4,314	89	45	4,320	4,283	4,331	37
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	14,101	13,950	13,910	13,624	151	477	14,048	14,039	14,009	9
WHOLESALE TRADE	3,680	3,605	3,594	3,546	75	134	3,669	3,652	3,641	17
RETAIL TRADE	10,421	10,345	10,316	10,078	76	343	10,379	10,387	10,368	-8
FINANCE, INSURANCE, AND REAL ESTATE	3,367	3,326	3,310	3,243	41	124	3,337	3,333	3,323	4
SERVICES	10,627	10,486	10,402	10,193	141	434	10,460	10,423	10,402	37
Hotels and other lodging places ..	754.5	712.9	690.3	727.6	41.6	26.9	714	716	715	-2
Personal services	1,039.2	1,026.6	1,020.2	1,038.8	12.6	.4	1,024	1,019	1,019	5
Medical and other health services	2,653.0	2,611.3	2,597.7	2,451.6	41.7	201.4	2,640	2,624	2,603	16
Educational services	1,019.6	1,080.6	1,081.1	963.0	-61.0	56.6	1,049	1,047	1,046	2
GOVERNMENT	12,224	12,232	12,214	11,664	-8	560	12,177	12,139	12,088	38
FEDERAL	2,740	2,710	2,712	2,766	30	-26	2,721	2,721	2,717	0
STATE AND LOCAL	9,484	9,522	9,502	8,898	-38	586	9,456	9,418	9,371	38

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	June 1968	May 1968	Apr. 1968	June 1967	Change from		Seasonally adjusted			
					May 1968	June 1967	June 1968	May 1968	Apr. 1968	Change from May 1968
TOTAL PRIVATE	38.1	37.7	37.3	38.1	0.4	0	37.9	37.8	37.6	0.1
MINING	43.2	42.8	42.5	42.8	.4	0.4	42.7	42.6	42.8	.1
CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION	38.4	37.6	37.3	38.2	.8	.2	37.6	37.2	37.8	.4
MANUFACTURING	41.1	40.9	39.8	40.6	.2	.5	40.9	40.9	40.1	0
Overtime hours	3.7	3.6	2.9	3.3	.1	.4	3.6	3.7	3.0	-.1
DURABLE GOODS	41.8	41.6	40.5	41.1	.2	.7	41.7	41.5	40.7	.2
Overtime hours	3.9	3.8	3.0	3.4	.1	.5	3.8	3.8	3.1	0
Ordnance and accessories	42.2	41.6	40.6	41.0	.6	1.2	42.2	41.6	40.9	.6
Lumber and wood products	41.0	40.8	40.2	40.6	.2	.4	40.5	40.4	40.1	.1
Furniture and fixtures	41.0	40.5	39.2	40.3	.5	.7	41.0	41.1	40.0	-.1
Stone, clay, and glass products ..	42.3	42.2	41.7	41.8	.1	.5	41.9	41.9	41.7	0
Primary metal industries	42.4	42.2	42.4	41.0	.2	1.4	42.1	42.0	42.3	.1
Fabricated metal products	42.1	41.9	40.2	41.5	.2	.6	41.9	41.7	40.4	.2
Machinery, except electrical	42.2	42.2	41.0	42.3	0	-.1	42.0	42.0	41.0	0
Electrical equipment	40.3	40.2	39.1	40.1	.1	.2	40.3	40.2	39.5	.1
Transportation equipment	43.1	43.0	40.6	41.4	.1	1.7	43.1	42.9	41.1	.2
Instruments and related products ..	40.7	40.5	39.4	41.2	.2	-.5	40.6	40.5	39.6	.1
Miscellaneous manufacturing	39.7	39.5	38.2	39.5	.2	.2	39.7	39.7	38.5	0
NONDURABLE GOODS	40.1	39.8	38.8	39.7	.3	.4	40.0	39.8	39.2	.2
Overtime hours	3.3	3.2	2.7	3.1	.1	.2	3.3	3.3	2.8	0
Food and kindred products	41.1	40.6	39.6	41.1	.5	0	41.0	40.7	40.4	.3
Tobacco manufactures	37.7	37.6	34.1	39.5	.1	-1.8	37.3	38.0	34.1	-.7
Textile mill products	41.7	41.2	40.1	40.8	.5	.9	41.4	41.2	40.6	.2
Apparel and other textile products	36.5	36.3	34.9	35.9	.2	.6	36.4	36.3	35.0	.1
Paper and allied products	43.1	42.9	41.6	42.8	.2	.3	43.0	43.0	42.0	0
Printing and publishing	38.3	38.1	37.6	38.3	.2	0	38.3	38.1	37.8	.2
Chemicals and allied products ...	41.8	41.8	41.8	41.5	0	.3	41.7	41.6	41.4	.1
Petroleum and coal products ...	43.1	43.0	43.0	42.9	.1	.2	42.8	42.7	42.7	.1
Rubber and plastics products, n e c	41.7	41.6	39.9	41.3	.1	.4	41.6	41.7	40.3	-.1
Leather and leather products	38.8	38.5	36.9	38.3	.3	.5	38.5	38.8	38.1	-.3
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	36.3	35.7	35.8	36.8	.6	-.5	36.2	35.9	36.1	.3
WHOLESALE TRADE	40.1	39.8	39.7	40.3	.3	-.2	40.1	39.8	39.9	.3
RETAIL TRADE	35.1	34.3	34.5	35.6	.8	-.5	34.9	34.6	34.8	.3
FINANCE, INSURANCE, AND REAL ESTATE	37.1	37.0	36.9	37.0	.1	.1	37.2	37.1	36.9	.1

¹Data 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					
	June 1968	May 1968	Apr. 1968	June 1967	Change from		June 1968	May 1968	Apr. 1968	June 1967	Change from	
					May 1968	June 1967					May 1968	June 1967
TOTAL PRIVATE	\$2.84	\$2.83	\$2.80	\$2.67	\$0.01	\$0.17	\$108.20	\$106.69	\$104.44	\$101.73	\$1.51	\$6.47
MINING	3.31	3.31	3.30	3.17	0	.14	142.99	141.67	140.25	135.68	1.32	7.31
CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION	4.27	4.32	4.27	4.03	-.05	.24	163.97	162.43	159.27	153.95	1.54	10.02
MANUFACTURING	3.00	2.99	2.97	2.82	.01	.18	123.30	122.29	118.21	114.49	1.01	8.81
DURABLE GOODS	3.19	3.18	3.15	2.99	.01	.20	133.34	132.29	127.58	122.89	1.05	10.45
Ordnance and accessories	3.24	3.22	3.21	3.14	.02	.10	136.73	133.95	130.33	128.74	2.78	7.99
Lumber and wood products	2.56	2.54	2.51	2.38	.02	.18	104.96	103.63	100.90	96.63	1.33	8.33
Furniture and fixtures	2.47	2.46	2.43	2.31	.01	.16	101.27	99.63	95.26	93.09	1.64	8.18
Stone, clay, and glass products ..	3.00	2.99	2.97	2.81	.01	.19	126.90	126.18	123.85	117.46	.72	9.44
Primary metal industries	3.53	3.52	3.55	3.32	.01	.21	149.67	148.54	150.52	136.12	1.13	13.55
Fabricated metal products	3.16	3.15	3.10	2.97	.01	.19	133.04	131.99	124.62	123.26	1.05	9.78
Machinery, except electrical	3.36	3.35	3.31	3.18	.01	.18	141.79	141.37	135.71	134.51	.42	7.28
Electrical equipment	2.92	2.90	2.88	2.78	.02	.14	117.68	116.58	112.61	111.48	1.10	6.20
Transportation equipment	3.67	3.67	3.60	3.41	0	.26	158.18	157.81	146.16	141.17	.37	17.01
Instruments and related products ..	2.97	2.96	2.93	2.85	.01	.12	120.88	119.88	115.44	117.42	1.00	3.46
Miscellaneous manufacturing	2.51	2.50	2.49	2.34	.01	.17	99.65	98.75	95.12	92.43	.90	7.22
NONDURABLE GOODS	2.73	2.72	2.70	2.56	.01	.17	109.47	108.26	104.76	101.63	1.21	7.84
Food and kindred products	2.81	2.80	2.78	2.64	.01	.17	115.49	113.68	110.09	108.50	1.81	6.99
Tobacco manufactures	2.60	2.62	2.56	2.40	-.02	.20	98.02	98.51	87.30	94.80	-.49	3.22
Textile mill products	2.18	2.17	2.15	2.03	.01	.15	90.91	89.40	86.22	82.82	1.51	8.09
Apparel and other textile products	2.20	2.19	2.18	2.02	.01	.18	80.30	79.50	76.08	72.52	.80	7.78
Paper and allied products	3.02	3.01	2.98	2.86	.01	.16	130.16	129.13	123.97	122.41	1.03	7.75
Printing and publishing	3.48	3.46	3.41	3.26	.02	.22	133.28	131.83	128.22	124.86	1.45	8.42
Chemicals and allied products ...	3.27	3.24	3.22	3.10	.03	.17	136.69	135.43	134.60	128.65	1.26	8.04
Petroleum and coal products ...	3.72	3.73	3.78	3.56	-.01	.16	160.33	160.39	162.54	152.72	-.06	7.61
Rubber and plastics products, n e c	2.90	2.90	2.84	2.64	0	.26	120.93	120.64	113.32	109.03	.29	11.90
Leather and leather products	2.24	2.23	2.22	2.07	.01	.17	86.91	85.86	81.92	79.28	1.05	7.63
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	2.40	2.39	2.37	2.24	.01	.16	87.12	85.32	84.85	82.43	1.80	4.69
WHOLESALE TRADE	3.04	3.04	3.02	2.87	0	.17	121.90	120.99	119.89	115.66	.91	6.24
RETAIL TRADE	2.16	2.14	2.13	2.01	.02	.15	75.82	73.40	73.49	71.56	2.42	4.26
FINANCE, INSURANCE, AND REAL ESTATE	2.75	2.73	2.71	2.58	.02	.17	102.03	101.01	100.00	95.46	1.02	6.57

¹See footnote 1, table B-2.

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