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### THE EMPLOYMENT SITUATION: APRIL 1969

Unemployment declined less than usual in April, and the large employment gains of the past few months tapered off, the U. S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics reported today.

The unemployment rate was 3.5 percent in April, compared with 3.4 percent in March and 3.3 percent in February. Unemployment rates for adult women, nonwhites, full-time workers, and State insured workers all rose slightly in April. Jobless rates for adult men and married men, however, remained near record lows.

Nonfarm payroll employment rose by only 35,000 (seasonally adjusted) in April, following a moderate advance in March and 5 months of substantial gains over the September-February period.

#### Unemployment

The number of unemployed persons was 2.5 million in April, down 200,000 from March. The decline was 115,000 less than usual for the month.

Since February, total unemployment (seasonally adjusted) has increased by 225,000, and the overall unemployment rate has risen from 3.3 to 3.5 percent. Although the April jobless rate was above the post-Korean low of 3.3 percent of the December-February period, it still remained below the 1968 annual average of 3.6 percent and equaled the April 1968 rate.

The unemployment rate for women rose from 3.5 percent in March to 3.8 percent in April. Prior to April, their rate had held steady at 3.5 percent for 5 consecutive months. Jobless rates also moved up for full-time workers (2.9 to 3.2 percent) and workers covered by State unemployment insurance programs (2.1 to 2.3 percent). Rates for these two groups of workers were at post-Korean lows in the December-February period, and

the recent rise returned the rates to those which prevailed during most of 1968. Unemployment rates for adult men (2.0 percent) and married men (1.5 percent) continued near record lows in April.

The unemployment rate for teenagers (12.8 percent) showed little change over the month, after rising sharply in March. The teenage rate had been at an unusually low level in January and February.

The nonwhite unemployment rate rose by 0.9 percentage point in April to 6.9 percent. Most of this rise reflected increased unemployment among nonwhite women, whose jobless rate moved from 6.0 to 7.2 percent-- its highest point since November 1967. The unemployment rate for white workers was unchanged at 3.1 percent.

The unemployment rate for blue-collar workers rose from 3.7 to 4.1 percent in April, due to increased unemployment among operatives. The jobless rate for nonfarm laborers, which had risen sharply in March, was unchanged over the month.

The number of persons unemployed 15 weeks or more totaled nearly 400,000 workers in April (seasonally adjusted). After falling steadily in the last half of 1968, long-term unemployment has risen by about 75,000 since January.

### Industry Employment

Employment on nonagricultural payrolls was 69.8 million in April, up 600,000 from March. The over-the-month increase was about in line with the seasonal pattern for the month, and, after seasonal adjustment, payroll employment was up by only 35,000.

The 35,000 gain in payroll employment was the smallest since January 1968 and followed a relatively moderate advance of 200,000 in March. This compares with an average monthly gain during the September-February period of 325,000.

The over-the-month slowing down in payroll employment growth occurred in both the goods and service sectors. 1/ Employment in the goods-producing industries dropped slightly in April, after showing no change in March. Employment in the service-producing industries, which had increased substantially in March, rose by only 55,000 in April, well below the average

1/ Goods-producing industries include mining, construction, and manufacturing, and service-producing industries include transportation and public utilities; trade; finance, insurance, and real estate; miscellaneous services; and government.

gains of the previous 6 months. Between September and February, monthly employment growth had averaged 210,000 in the service-producing industries and 115,000 in the goods-producing industries.

Employment in contract construction (seasonally adjusted) declined by 25,000 in April, partially reflecting strike activity in the industry. Compared to a year earlier, employment in the construction industry has increased by 100,000.

Manufacturing employment, on a seasonally adjusted basis, was unchanged in April. Small employment gains in durable goods (14,000), primarily in the machinery and electrical equipment industries, were offset by declines in nondurable goods (11,000). April was the first month since September 1968 in which manufacturing employment failed to increase significantly.

State and local government and finance, insurance, and real estate recorded the only significant employment increases in April (30,000 and 16,000, respectively). Most of a 25,000 employment gain in transportation and public utilities was the result of the return to payrolls of striking workers. Employment in the miscellaneous service industries declined slightly in April--the first drop since September of last year. Trade employment was unchanged over the month.

Compared to April 1968, nonagricultural payroll employment was up by 2.4 million. The service-producing industries accounted for three out of every four new jobs during this period.

### Hours and Earnings

Factory overtime fell by 0.3 hour to 3.4 hours in April (seasonally adjusted), almost entirely due to a decline in overtime in the durable goods sector. Average overtime in durable goods has declined 0.5 hour since the 1968 high reached in November. The over-the-month reduction brought factory overtime hours to their lowest level in about a year.

The average workweek in manufacturing was down one-tenth of an hour to 40.7 hours in April (seasonally adjusted). The April workweek was 0.4 hour below the 1968 high registered in September. With the exception of February, when hours were affected by adverse weather, the average workweek in manufacturing has remained relatively stable since October 1968, fluctuating within the narrow range of 40.6 and 40.8 hours.

Average weekly hours for all rank and file workers on private nonagricultural payrolls were unchanged in April at 37.8 hours (seasonally adjusted). Increases in weekly hours in contract construction and mining were offset by slight declines in manufacturing, trade, and finance, insurance, and real estate.

Average hourly earnings for rank and file employees on private payrolls rose 1 cent in April to \$2.99. Over the year, hourly earnings were up 19 cents (6.8 percent). Average weekly earnings increased 8 cents over the month to \$112.13. This increase was due solely to the small gain in hourly earnings. Compared to April 1968, average weekly earnings advanced by \$7.69 (7.4 percent).

#### Total Employment and Labor Force

Total employment in April stood at 77.1 million. Employment increases in both March and April were about in line with seasonal changes. After seasonal adjustment, total employment in the past two months has shown little change, in contrast to an increase of 1.3 million between November and February.

Labor force growth also diminished during March and April. In April, the labor force was 79.6 million, 2.0 million more than a year earlier. Adult women accounted for 1.2 million of the increase, adult men 500,000, and teenagers 300,000.

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	Apr. 1969	Mar. 1969	Apr. 1968	Seasonally adjusted				
				Apr. 1969	Mar. 1969	Feb. 1969	Jan. 1969	Dec. 1968
<b>Total</b>								
Total labor force .....	83,137	82,770	81,141	83,966	83,999	83,831	83,351	82,868
Civilian labor force .....	79,621	79,266	77,634	80,450	80,495	80,356	79,874	79,368
Employed .....	77,079	76,520	75,143	77,605	77,767	77,729	77,229	76,765
Agriculture .....	3,607	3,327	3,851	3,664	3,732	3,881	3,752	3,842
Nonagricultural industries .....	73,471	73,193	71,292	73,941	74,035	73,848	73,477	72,923
On part time for economic reasons .....	1,513	1,731	1,493	1,670	1,801	1,638	1,605	1,673
Usually work full time .....	823	977	828	858	979	870	805	872
Usually work part time .....	690	754	665	812	822	768	800	801
Unemployed .....	2,542	2,746	2,491	2,845	2,728	2,627	2,645	2,603
<b>Men, 20 years and over</b>								
Civilian labor force .....	46,084	45,959	45,616	46,195	46,297	46,280	46,131	46,093
Employed .....	45,147	44,911	44,647	45,285	45,422	45,422	45,231	45,254
Agriculture .....	2,713	2,579	2,891	2,681	2,706	2,732	2,680	2,763
Nonagricultural industries .....	42,434	42,332	41,755	42,604	42,716	42,690	42,551	42,491
Unemployed .....	901	1,048	969	910	875	858	900	839
<b>Women, 20 years and over</b>								
Civilian labor force .....	27,337	27,232	26,118	27,205	27,189	27,230	26,950	26,737
Employed .....	26,371	26,268	25,215	26,169	26,228	26,264	25,999	25,802
Agriculture .....	554	473	567	609	638	731	691	722
Nonagricultural industries .....	25,816	25,795	24,648	25,560	25,590	25,533	25,308	25,080
Unemployed .....	967	964	903	1,036	961	966	951	935
<b>Both sexes, 16-19 years</b>								
Civilian labor force .....	6,235	6,075	5,901	7,050	7,009	6,846	6,793	6,538
Employed .....	5,561	5,340	5,281	6,151	6,117	6,043	5,999	5,709
Agriculture .....	340	275	393	374	388	418	381	357
Nonagricultural industries .....	5,221	5,066	4,889	5,777	5,729	5,625	5,618	5,352
Unemployed .....	674	734	620	899	892	803	794	829

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

(In thousands)

Duration of unemployment	Apr. 1969	Mar. 1969	Apr. 1968	Seasonally adjusted				
				Apr. 1969	Mar. 1969	Feb. 1969	Jan. 1969	Dec. 1968
Less than 5 weeks .....	1,369	1,412	1,224	1,724	1,646	1,436	1,476	1,363
5 to 14 weeks .....	657	880	739	737	757	829	741	825
15 weeks and over .....	516	455	528	393	355	346	316	322
15 to 26 weeks .....	355	318	346	254	237	237	193	177
27 weeks and over .....	161	137	182	139	118	109	123	145

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

(Persons 16 years and over)

Selected categories	Thousands of persons unemployed		Seasonally adjusted rates of unemployment					
	Apr. 1969	Apr. 1968	Apr. 1969	Mar. 1969	Feb. 1969	Jan. 1969	Dec. 1968	Apr. 1968
<b>Total (all civilian workers)</b> .....	2,542	2,491	3.5	3.4	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.5
Men, 20 years and over.....	901	969	2.0	1.9	1.9	2.0	1.8	2.1
Women, 20 years and over.....	967	903	3.8	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.7
Both sexes, 16-19 years.....	674	620	12.8	12.7	11.7	11.7	12.7	12.4
White.....	2,007	1,974	3.1	3.1	2.9	3.0	3.0	3.1
Nonwhite.....	535	518	6.9	6.0	5.7	6.0	6.0	6.8
Married men.....	576	609	1.5	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.6
Full-time workers.....	1,973	1,885	3.2	2.9	2.8	2.9	2.7	3.1
Unemployed 15 weeks and over <sup>1</sup> .....	516	528	.5	.4	.4	.4	.4	.5
State insured <sup>2</sup> .....	1,146	1,174	2.3	2.1	2.2	2.1	2.0	2.2
Labor force time lost <sup>3</sup> .....			3.7	3.7	3.6	3.6	3.6	3.8
<b>Occupation</b>								
White-collar workers.....	598	613	1.8	2.0	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9
Professional and managerial.....	164	141	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	.9
Clerical workers.....	296	345	2.4	3.1	2.7	3.0	2.7	2.9
Sales workers.....	138	126	3.3	2.9	3.3	2.6	2.9	2.9
Blue-collar workers.....	1,170	1,125	4.1	3.7	3.6	3.8	3.6	4.0
Craftsmen and foremen.....	237	254	2.2	2.2	2.1	2.1	1.9	2.3
Operatives.....	678	649	4.6	3.9	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.5
Nonfarm laborers.....	255	223	6.8	7.0	5.5	6.6	6.1	6.5
Service workers.....	421	399	4.5	3.8	3.8	4.2	4.2	4.5
<b>Industry</b>								
Nonagricultural private wage and salary workers <sup>4</sup> .....	1,994	1,920	3.6	3.4	3.3	3.4	3.3	3.5
Construction.....	254	220	6.2	6.2	5.5	5.5	5.4	5.6
Manufacturing.....	675	703	3.2	3.1	2.9	3.2	2.8	3.3
Durable goods.....	359	329	3.0	2.7	2.4	2.7	2.6	2.9
Nondurable goods.....	316	374	3.4	3.7	3.6	3.9	3.3	4.0
Transportation and public utilities.....	94	60	2.3	2.4	1.8	1.8	1.6	1.5
Wholesale and retail trade.....	508	468	4.2	3.8	3.9	3.8	4.1	4.0
Finance and service industries.....	450	457	3.3	2.9	3.1	3.1	3.2	3.5
Government wage and salary workers.....	159	163	1.6	1.6	1.7	1.8	1.7	1.7
Agricultural wage and salary workers.....	71	87	5.7	5.9	4.1	5.8	5.7	6.2

<sup>1</sup>Unemployment rate calculated as a percent of civilian labor force.

<sup>2</sup>Insured unemployment under State programs—unemployment rate calculated as a percent of average covered employment.

<sup>3</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>4</sup>Includes mining, not shown separately.

NOTE: Unemployment by occupation includes all experienced unemployed persons, whereas that by industry refers only to experienced wage and salary workers.

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

Full- and part-time employment status	Total		Men, 20 and over		Women, 20 and over		Both sexes, 16-19 years	
	Apr. 1969	Apr. 1968	Apr. 1969	Apr. 1968	Apr. 1969	Apr. 1968	Apr. 1969	Apr. 1968
<b>Full Time</b>								
Civilian labor force.....	67,921	66,729	43,814	43,552	21,458	20,502	2,650	2,675
Employed:								
Full-time schedules.....	64,244	63,150	42,197	41,880	19,903	19,090	2,145	2,180
Part time for economic reasons.....	1,704	1,693	778	799	763	713	163	182
Unemployed, looking for full-time work.....	1,973	1,885	839	873	792	699	343	313
Unemployment rate.....	2.9	2.8	1.9	2.0	3.7	3.4	12.9	11.7
<b>Part Time</b>								
Civilian labor force.....	11,699	10,906	2,235	2,063	5,879	5,616	3,585	3,226
Employed (voluntary part time).....	11,130	10,300	2,172	1,968	5,705	5,412	3,254	2,920
Unemployed, looking for part-time work.....	569	606	63	95	175	204	331	307
Unemployment rate.....	4.9	5.6	2.8	4.6	3.0	3.6	9.2	9.5

**Table A-5: Unemployed persons by reason for unemployment, sex, age, and color, not seasonally adjusted**

Reason for unemployment	Total unemployed		Male, 20 years and over		Female, 20 years and over		Both sexes, 16 to 19 years		White		Nonwhite	
	Apr. 1969	Apr. 1968	Apr. 1969	Apr. 1968	Apr. 1969	Apr. 1968	Apr. 1969	Apr. 1968	Apr. 1969	Apr. 1968	Apr. 1969	Apr. 1968
<b>UNEMPLOYMENT LEVEL</b>												
Total unemployed, in thousands . . . . .	2,542	2,491	901	969	967	903	674	620	2,007	1,974	535	518
Lost last job . . . . .	1,088	1,090	575	599	374	385	139	107	838	869	250	222
Left last job . . . . .	394	378	145	151	159	149	90	78	316	300	77	78
Reentered labor force . . . . .	770	752	164	194	399	327	207	232	611	596	159	156
Never worked before . . . . .	290	271	17	25	35	42	238	203	242	210	48	61
Total unemployed, percent distribution . . . . .	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Lost last job . . . . .	42.8	43.8	63.8	61.8	38.6	42.7	20.6	17.2	41.7	44.0	46.8	42.9
Left last job . . . . .	15.5	15.2	16.1	15.6	16.4	16.5	13.4	12.6	15.8	15.2	14.5	15.1
Reentered labor force . . . . .	30.3	30.2	18.2	20.0	41.2	36.2	30.7	37.4	30.4	30.2	29.7	30.2
Never worked before . . . . .	11.4	10.9	1.9	2.6	3.7	4.7	35.3	32.8	12.1	10.6	9.0	11.8
<b>UNEMPLOYMENT RATE</b>												
Total unemployment rate . . . . .	3.2	3.2	2.0	2.1	3.5	3.5	10.8	10.5	2.8	2.9	6.1	6.0
Job-loser rate <sup>1</sup> . . . . .	1.4	1.4	1.2	1.3	1.4	1.5	2.2	1.8	1.2	1.3	2.9	2.6
Job-leaver rate <sup>1</sup> . . . . .	.5	.5	.3	.3	.6	.6	1.4	1.3	.4	.4	.9	.9
Reentrant rate <sup>1</sup> . . . . .	1.0	1.0	.4	.4	1.5	1.3	3.3	3.9	.9	.9	1.8	1.8
New entrant rate <sup>1</sup> . . . . .	.4	.3	--	.1	.1	.2	3.8	3.4	.3	.3	.6	.7

<sup>1</sup>Unemployment rates are calculated as a percent of the civilian labor force.

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

Age and sex	Thousands of persons		Percent looking for full-time work	Seasonally adjusted unemployment rates						
	Apr. 1969	Mar. 1969		Apr. 1969	Apr. 1969	Mar. 1969	Feb. 1969	Jan. 1969	Dec. 1968	Apr. 1968
			Apr. 1969							
Total, 16 years and over . . . . .	2,542	2,746	77.6	3.5	3.4	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.5
16 to 19 years . . . . .	674	734	50.9	12.8	12.7	11.7	11.7	12.7	12.7	12.4
16 and 17 years . . . . .	333	354	27.9	14.5	14.0	13.1	13.5	15.0	15.0	13.8
18 and 19 years . . . . .	341	380	73.3	11.5	11.6	11.1	10.5	10.9	10.9	11.2
20 to 24 years . . . . .	489	543	89.6	5.7	5.3	5.5	5.2	5.3	5.3	5.5
25 years and over . . . . .	1,379	1,469	86.4	2.2	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.0	2.0	2.3
25 to 54 years . . . . .	1,084	1,163	88.7	2.3	2.2	2.0	2.2	2.0	2.0	2.4
55 years and over . . . . .	294	306	78.6	2.0	1.9	2.0	1.9	2.1	2.1	1.9
Males, 16 years and over . . . . .	1,254	1,461	80.9	2.7	2.6	2.6	2.7	2.6	2.6	2.8
16 to 19 years . . . . .	352	413	49.7	11.4	11.5	11.0	11.8	11.6	11.6	11.0
16 and 17 years . . . . .	187	219	27.8	12.6	12.9	12.5	13.2	14.2	14.2	13.9
18 and 19 years . . . . .	165	193	74.5	10.4	10.2	9.5	10.6	9.5	9.5	8.5
20 to 24 years . . . . .	223	266	90.6	4.7	4.5	4.9	5.0	4.2	4.2	5.1
25 years and over . . . . .	678	782	93.8	1.6	1.6	1.5	1.6	1.5	1.5	1.8
25 to 54 years . . . . .	510	586	96.9	1.6	1.5	1.4	1.5	1.4	1.4	1.7
55 years and over . . . . .	168	195	84.5	1.7	1.8	1.7	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9
Females, 16 years and over . . . . .	1,288	1,285	74.5	4.9	4.6	4.5	4.3	4.5	4.5	4.8
16 to 19 years . . . . .	322	322	51.9	14.5	14.3	12.7	11.6	14.1	14.1	14.1
16 and 17 years . . . . .	147	135	27.9	16.9	15.6	13.9	14.0	16.2	16.2	13.7
18 and 19 years . . . . .	175	187	72.0	12.7	13.3	13.0	10.4	12.6	12.6	14.0
20 to 24 years . . . . .	266	277	88.7	6.8	6.3	6.1	5.5	6.5	6.5	6.1
25 years and over . . . . .	701	687	79.5	3.2	3.0	3.1	3.2	2.9	2.9	3.3
25 to 54 years . . . . .	575	577	81.2	3.6	3.3	3.2	3.4	3.1	3.1	3.7
55 years and over . . . . .	126	110	70.6	2.4	1.9	2.5	1.9	2.4	2.4	2.1

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

(In thousands)

Industry	Apr. 1969	Mar. 1969	Feb. 1969	Apr. 1968	Change from		Seasonally adjusted			
					Mar. 1969	Apr. 1968	Apr. 1969	Mar. 1969	Feb. 1969	Change from Mar. 1969
<b>TOTAL</b> .....	69,828	69,246	68,735	67,422	582	2,406	70,214	70,180	69,983	34
<b>MINING</b> .....	640	629	628	626	11	14	646	645	646	1
<b>CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION</b> .....	3,255	3,065	2,990	3,157	190	98	3,416	3,440	3,501	-24
<b>MANUFACTURING</b> .....	19,975	19,961	19,874	19,507	14	468	20,131	20,128	20,067	3
<i>Production workers</i> .....	14,641	14,645	14,573	14,303	-4	338	14,779	14,789	14,740	-10
<b>DURABLE GOODS</b> .....	11,847	11,801	11,743	11,507	46	340	11,876	11,862	11,823	14
<i>Production workers</i> .....	8,647	8,612	8,558	8,388	35	259	8,667	8,661	8,620	6
Ordnance and accessories .....	347.8	345.9	347.8	336.2	1.9	11.6	349	346	346	3
Lumber and wood products .....	603.2	599.6	594.8	588.0	3.6	15.2	615	620	623	-5
Furniture and fixtures .....	490.0	490.7	490.6	463.5	-7	26.5	495	494	495	1
Stone, clay, and glass products ..	656.9	647.4	640.3	636.9	9.5	20.0	662	666	668	-4
Primary metal industries .....	1,328.9	1,318.6	1,312.1	1,326.5	10.3	2.4	1,322	1,319	1,316	3
Fabricated metal products .....	1,443.1	1,437.0	1,431.8	1,366.1	6.1	77.0	1,450	1,449	1,442	1
Machinery, except electrical .....	2,019.1	2,007.7	2,002.8	1,958.3	11.4	60.8	2,009	1,998	1,999	11
Electrical equipment .....	2,014.6	2,009.1	2,006.5	1,939.2	5.5	75.4	2,031	2,023	2,011	8
Transportation equipment .....	2,045.6	2,053.3	2,034.7	2,026.6	-7.7	19.0	2,033	2,039	2,021	-6
Instruments and related products ..	460.2	459.6	457.3	445.7	.6	14.5	463	461	459	2
Miscellaneous manufacturing .....	437.6	432.1	423.9	419.5	5.5	18.1	447	447	443	0
<b>NONDURABLE GOODS</b> .....	8,128	8,160	8,131	8,000	-32	128	8,255	8,266	8,244	-11
<i>Production workers</i> .....	5,994	6,033	6,015	5,915	-39	79	6,112	6,128	6,120	-16
Food and kindred products .....	1,702.4	1,708.3	1,711.9	1,699.4	-5.9	3.0	1,786	1,796	1,800	-10
Tobacco manufactures .....	76.3	76.7	80.8	71.7	-4	4.6	87	84	84	3
Textile mill products .....	984.4	986.2	985.3	976.5	-1.8	7.9	987	990	993	-3
Apparel and other textile products ..	1,416.9	1,436.5	1,425.5	1,401.9	-19.6	15.0	1,433	1,427	1,417	6
Paper and allied products .....	710.4	713.4	712.0	686.4	-3.0	24.0	716	720	719	-4
Printing and publishing .....	1,077.2	1,077.3	1,074.3	1,057.2	-1	20.0	1,078	1,079	1,078	-1
Chemicals and allied products .....	1,054.6	1,049.8	1,044.2	1,023.7	4.8	30.9	1,050	1,052	1,053	-2
Petroleum and coal products .....	184.9	183.5	166.0	183.6	1.4	1.3	187	186	169	1
Rubber and plastics products, n e c	578.9	579.1	577.7	546.2	-2	32.7	583	582	580	1
Leather and leather products .....	341.6	349.0	352.9	353.0	-7.4	-11.4	348	350	351	-2
<b>TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC UTILITIES</b> .....	4,439	4,391	4,340	4,296	48	143	4,475	4,449	4,420	26
<b>WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE</b> .....	14,391	14,225	14,126	13,910	166	481	14,537	14,536	14,475	1
<b>WHOLESALE TRADE</b> .....	3,736	3,729	3,718	3,594	7	142	3,785	3,782	3,767	3
<b>RETAIL TRADE</b> .....	10,655	10,496	10,408	10,316	159	339	10,752	10,754	10,708	-2
<b>FINANCE, INSURANCE, AND REAL ESTATE</b> .....	3,487	3,461	3,439	3,310	26	177	3,501	3,485	3,474	16
<b>SERVICES</b> .....	10,902	10,780	10,668	10,402	122	500	10,902	10,911	10,852	-9
Hotels and other lodging places ..	702.3	689.1	681.1	690.3	13.2	12.0	728	743	736	-15
Personal services .....	1,012.5	1,005.1	1,001.5	1,020.2	7.4	-7.7	1,011	1,015	1,017	-4
Medical and other health services ..	2,820.6	2,806.2	2,789.4	2,597.7	14.4	222.9	2,826	2,809	2,795	17
Educational services .....	1,121.0	1,127.6	1,120.9	1,081.1	-6.6	39.9	1,084	1,085	1,080	-1
<b>GOVERNMENT</b> .....	12,739	12,734	12,670	12,214	5	525	12,606	12,586	12,548	20
<b>FEDERAL</b> .....	2,741	2,737	2,739	2,712	4	29	2,746	2,756	2,764	-10
<b>STATE AND LOCAL</b> .....	9,998	9,997	9,931	9,502	1	496	9,860	9,830	9,784	30

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

**Table B-2: Average weekly hours of production or nonsupervisory workers<sup>1</sup> on private nonagricultural payrolls, by industry**

Industry	Apr. 1969	Mar. 1969	Feb. 1969	Apr. 1968	Change from		Seasonally adjusted			
					Mar. 1969	Apr. 1968	Apr. 1969	Mar. 1969	Feb. 1969	Change from Mar. 1969
<b>TOTAL PRIVATE</b> .....	37.5	37.6	37.2	37.3	-0.1	0.2	37.8	37.8	37.5	0.0
<b>MINING</b> .....	42.8	42.3	42.6	42.5	.5	.3	43.1	42.8	43.3	.3
<b>CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION</b> .....	37.7	37.2	36.6	37.3	.5	.4	38.2	37.8	38.3	.4
<b>MANUFACTURING</b> .....	40.4	40.7	40.0	39.8	-.3	.6	40.7	40.8	40.2	-.1
<i>Overtime hours</i> .....	3.3	3.5	3.3	2.9	-.2	.4	3.4	3.7	3.5	-.3
<b>DURABLE GOODS</b> .....	41.1	41.4	40.8	40.5	-.3	.6	41.3	41.5	41.0	-.2
<i>Overtime hours</i> .....	3.5	3.7	3.6	3.0	-.2	.5	3.6	3.9	3.9	-.3
Ordnance and accessories .....	39.9	40.3	40.1	40.6	-.4	-.7	40.2	40.5	40.3	-.3
Lumber and wood products .....	41.0	40.7	40.0	40.2	.3	.8	40.9	41.0	40.8	-.1
Furniture and fixtures .....	40.3	40.6	39.7	39.2	-.3	1.1	41.1	41.0	40.2	.1
Stone, clay, and glass products ..	41.8	41.8	41.2	41.7	0	.1	41.8	42.4	42.1	-.6
Primary metal industries .....	42.0	41.9	41.5	42.4	.1	-.4	41.9	41.8	41.6	.1
Fabricated metal products .....	41.2	41.6	40.8	40.2	-.4	1.0	41.5	41.8	41.2	-.3
Machinery, except electrical .....	42.6	43.0	42.4	41.0	-.4	1.6	42.6	42.8	42.3	-.2
Electrical equipment .....	40.2	40.6	39.8	39.1	-.4	1.1	40.6	40.7	39.8	-.1
Transportation equipment .....	40.9	41.2	41.0	40.6	-.3	.3	41.4	41.6	41.5	-.2
Instruments and related products ..	40.5	40.8	39.7	39.4	-.3	1.1	40.7	40.9	39.7	-.2
Miscellaneous manufacturing .....	39.1	39.3	37.7	38.2	-.2	.9	39.4	39.2	37.7	.2
<b>NONDURABLE GOODS</b> .....	39.4	39.7	38.9	38.8	-.3	.6	39.8	39.8	39.2	0
<i>Overtime hours</i> .....	3.1	3.2	3.0	2.7	-.1	.4	3.3	3.4	3.2	-.1
Food and kindred products .....	40.1	40.3	40.0	39.6	-.2	.5	40.9	40.9	40.7	0
Tobacco manufactures .....	35.0	35.5	36.2	34.1	-.5	.9	35.0	36.3	38.3	-1.3
Textile mill products .....	40.4	40.9	40.0	40.1	-.5	.3	40.9	41.1	40.1	-.2
Apparel and other textile products ..	35.8	36.3	35.2	34.9	-.5	.9	35.9	35.9	35.2	0
Paper and allied products .....	43.0	43.0	42.1	41.6	0	1.4	43.4	43.3	42.5	.1
Printing and publishing .....	38.0	38.3	37.7	37.6	-.3	.4	38.2	38.3	37.9	-.1
Chemicals and allied products .....	42.0	41.9	41.5	41.8	.1	.2	41.6	41.9	41.7	-.3
Petroleum and coal products .....	42.9	42.2	41.7	43.0	.7	-.1	42.6	42.6	42.5	0
Rubber and plastics products, n e c ..	41.1	41.2	40.3	39.9	-.1	1.2	41.5	41.5	40.7	0
Leather and leather products .....	36.5	37.2	35.7	36.9	-.7	-.4	37.7	37.5	35.5	.2
<b>WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE</b> .....	35.4	35.5	35.3	35.8	-.1	-.4	35.7	35.8	35.6	-.1
<b>WHOLESALE TRADE</b> .....	39.8	40.0	39.9	39.7	-.2	.1	40.0	40.1	40.1	-.1
<b>RETAIL TRADE</b> .....	33.9	34.0	33.8	34.5	-.1	-.6	34.2	34.3	34.2	-.1
<b>FINANCE, INSURANCE, AND REAL ESTATE</b> .....	37.0	37.2	37.1	36.9	-.2	.1	37.0	37.2	37.1	-.2

<sup>1</sup>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 workers<sup>1</sup> on private nonagricultural payrolls, by industry**

Industry	Average hourly earnings						Average weekly earnings					
	Apr. 1969	Mar. 1969	Feb. 1969	Apr. 1968	Change from		Apr. 1969	Mar. 1969	Feb. 1969	Apr. 1968	Change from	
					Mar. 1969	Apr. 1968					Mar. 1969	Apr. 1968
<b>TOTAL PRIVATE</b> .....	\$2.99	\$2.98	\$2.97	\$2.80	\$0.01	\$0.19	\$112.13	\$112.05	\$110.48	\$104.44	\$0.08	\$7.69
<b>MINING</b> .....	3.55	3.51	3.51	3.30	.04	.25	151.94	148.47	149.53	140.25	3.47	11.69
<b>CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION</b> .....	4.61	4.59	4.54	4.27	.02	.34	173.80	170.75	166.16	159.27	3.05	14.53
<b>MANUFACTURING</b> .....	3.14	3.13	3.12	2.97	.01	.17	126.86	127.39	124.80	118.21	-.53	8.65
<b>DURABLE GOODS</b> .....	3.33	3.32	3.31	3.15	.01	.18	136.86	137.45	135.05	127.58	-.59	9.28
Ordnance and accessories .....	3.36	3.36	3.38	3.21	0	.15	134.06	135.41	135.54	130.33	-1.35	3.73
Lumber and wood products .....	2.66	2.66	2.60	2.51	0	.15	109.66	108.26	104.00	100.90	.80	8.16
Furniture and fixtures .....	2.55	2.55	2.54	2.43	0	.12	102.77	103.53	100.84	95.26	-.76	7.51
Stone, clay, and glass products .....	3.13	3.11	3.07	2.97	.02	.16	130.83	130.00	126.48	123.85	.83	6.98
Primary metal industries .....	3.72	3.71	3.70	3.55	.01	.17	156.24	155.45	153.55	150.52	.79	5.72
Fabricated metal products .....	3.29	3.29	3.28	3.10	0	.19	135.55	136.86	133.82	124.62	-1.31	10.93
Machinery, except electrical .....	3.54	3.53	3.52	3.31	.01	.23	150.80	151.79	149.25	135.71	-.99	15.09
Electrical equipment .....	3.05	3.04	3.05	2.88	.01	.17	122.61	123.42	121.39	112.61	-.81	10.00
Transportation equipment .....	3.82	3.82	3.83	3.60	0	.22	156.24	157.38	157.03	146.16	-1.14	10.08
Instruments and related products .....	3.11	3.10	3.10	2.93	.01	.18	125.96	126.48	123.07	115.44	-.52	10.52
Miscellaneous manufacturing .....	2.61	2.61	2.61	2.49	0	.12	102.05	102.57	98.40	95.12	-.52	6.93
<b>NONDURABLE GOODS</b> .....	2.87	2.85	2.84	2.70	.02	.17	113.08	113.15	110.48	104.76	-.07	8.32
Food and kindred products .....	2.95	2.93	2.91	2.78	.02	.17	118.30	118.08	116.40	110.09	.22	8.21
Tobacco manufactures .....	2.69	2.66	2.63	2.56	.03	.13	94.15	94.43	95.21	87.30	-.28	6.85
Textile mill products .....	2.30	2.29	2.27	2.15	.01	.15	92.92	93.66	90.80	86.22	-.74	6.70
Apparel and other textile products ..	2.28	2.29	2.27	2.18	-.01	.10	81.62	83.13	79.90	76.08	-1.51	5.54
Paper and allied products .....	3.16	3.15	3.15	2.98	.01	.18	135.83	135.45	132.62	123.97	.43	11.91
Printing and publishing .....	3.64	3.64	3.61	3.41	0	.23	138.32	139.41	136.10	128.22	-1.09	10.10
Chemicals and allied products .....	3.38	3.38	3.37	3.22	0	.16	141.96	141.62	139.86	134.60	.34	7.36
Petroleum and coal products .....	4.01	3.90	3.87	3.78	.11	.23	172.03	164.58	161.38	162.54	7.45	9.49
Rubber and plastics products, n e c ..	3.03	3.00	3.01	2.84	.03	.19	124.53	123.60	121.30	113.32	.93	11.21
Leather and leather products .....	2.34	2.34	2.33	2.22	0	.12	85.41	87.05	83.18	81.92	-1.64	3.49
<b>WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE</b> .....	2.52	2.52	2.52	2.37	0	.15	89.21	89.46	88.96	84.85	-.25	4.36
<b>WHOLESALE TRADE</b> .....	3.19	3.18	3.17	3.02	.01	.17	126.96	127.20	126.48	119.89	-.24	7.07
<b>RETAIL TRADE</b> .....	2.27	2.26	2.26	2.13	.01	.14	76.95	76.84	76.39	73.49	.11	3.46
<b>FINANCE, INSURANCE, AND REAL ESTATE</b> .....	2.89	2.91	2.91	2.71	-.02	.18	106.93	108.25	107.96	100.00	-1.32	6.93.

<sup>1</sup>See footnote 1, table B-2.

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