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Unemployment rose sharply in September, while employment was about unchanged, the U.S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics reported today. The overall unemployment rate rose from 3.5 percent in August to 4.0 percent in September.

Over the year, unemployment has risen by 350,000, reflecting an increase of 150,000 for adult women and 100,000 each for adult men and teenagers. Four-fifths of the increase was among new entrants and re-entrants into the labor force. Unemployment among workers who had lost their last jobs was unchanged over the year, while the number leaving their last jobs rose by about 80,000.

Nonfarm payroll employment increased in September in line with seasonal expectations and, after seasonal adjustment, was about unchanged from August. Since March, employment gains have slowed down substantially, averaging 100,000 per month in contrast to an average monthly gain of 250,000 in the September 1968-March 1969 period.

Unemployment

The actual number of unemployed persons totaled about 3 million in September. Unemployment normally declines sharply between August and September, but this September it failed to drop. After adjustment for seasonal changes, unemployment was up 365,000 over the month, with two-fifths of the increase among workers in the 20 to 24 age group, mainly men.

The overall unemployment rate, at 4.0 percent in September, was the highest since October 1967. After averaging 3.3 percent in the first quarter of 1969, the unemployment rate has risen to 3.5 percent in the second and to 3.7 percent in the third quarter.

Jobless rates moved up for most groups of workers over the month. The unemployment rate for adult men rose from 2.1 percent in August to 2.4 percent in September, while the rate for married men edged up from 1.5 to 1.7 percent. Both rates were up from their all-time recorded lows reached this past winter.

The jobless rate for adult women was 4.2 percent in September, up from 3.8 percent, and at its highest point since October 1967. The rate for teenagers, at 13.2 percent, was not significantly changed from August. Jobless rates for both groups have edged up since the first quarter of this year.

Nearly all of the September increase in unemployment occurred among white workers, as their rate moved up from 3.2 to 3.6 percent. The jobless rate for Negro workers, at 6.8 percent, was not significantly changed from August.

The unemployment rate for all full-time workers rose from 3.1 to 3.4 percent over the month. There was no change in the rate for part-time workers.

The blue-collar rate moved up from 3.8 to 4.4 percent in September and reflected increased joblessness in all three blue-collar occupational groups--craftsmen, operatives, and nonfarm laborers. In the manufacturing industry, the unemployment rate rose from 2.9 to 3.7 percent, partially reflecting the delayed effect of July's earlier-than-usual model changeover in autos. The unemployment rate for construction workers, at 7.6 percent, was unchanged in September, after rising steadily since June.

The unemployment rate for workers covered by State unemployment insurance programs, which relates primarily to adult experienced workers, moved up from 2.1 to 2.2 percent in September and was unchanged from a year ago.

Industry Employment

Total nonfarm payroll employment was 70.8 million in September, an increase of 300,000 over the August level. After seasonal adjustment, payroll employment was unchanged over the month but would have shown a modest increase except for the effect of the early auto model changeover. Declines in manufacturing, contract construction, and retail trade were countered by increases in services and finance, insurance, and real estate.

The pace of payroll employment growth has slackened substantially in the past several months. In the third quarter 1969, payroll employment rose by 300,000 (seasonally adjusted) from the previous quarter, compared with increases of 550,000 in the second quarter and 800,000 in the first quarter.

Over the month, manufacturing employment fell by 55,000 (seasonally adjusted) to 20.3 million, as a substantial decline in transportation equipment (105,000) wiped out small but widespread gains elsewhere in the durable goods sector. The drop in transportation equipment reflected the artificially large seasonally-adjusted employment increases in August which resulted from an earlier-than-usual automobile model changeover. Employment in transportation equipment was 40,000 higher in September than in June, before the model changeover began. The largest over-the-month gains in durable goods occurred in the primary metals (10,000) and machinery (20,000) industries.

Employment in nondurable goods manufacturing industries was unchanged over the month. A 14,000 increase (seasonally adjusted) in the food and kindred products industry was countered by small employment losses in other nondurable industries.

A small decline in contract construction (10,000) occurred despite the return to payrolls of 50,000 workers who had been on strike in the previous month. Although employment in construction (seasonally adjusted) has declined steadily since June, it was still up by 110,000 over the year.

Seasonally-adjusted employment gains were reported in services (60,000) and in finance, insurance, and real estate (15,000). The increase in services was the largest since the early months of this year and was a marked departure from the slow growth of the March-July period. In the finance industries, about half of the increase resulted from the recall of workers on strike.

Employment in government was unchanged in September on a seasonally adjusted basis, as a 10,000 drop in Federal government employment was offset by an equal increase in State and local government. After substantial gains earlier this year, State and local government employment has edged down in recent months and in September was 45,000 below the peak level reached in June.

Hours and Earnings

The workweek for all rank-and-file workers on private nonfarm payrolls averaged 37.8 hours in September (seasonally adjusted); this marked the seventh consecutive month at this level. Increases in weekly hours in contract construction and manufacturing offset declines in mining, trade, and finance, insurance, and real estate.

In manufacturing, the average workweek edged up 0.1 hour between August and September to 40.7 hours (seasonally adjusted). The September workweek, however, was 0.2 hour below the 1969 peak (March) and 1.3 hour below last September.

Factory overtime fell by 0.2 hour to 3.5 hours (seasonally adjusted) in September with declines in both durable and nondurable goods. With the exception of February 1969 and April 1968, when hours were affected by unusual circumstances, factory overtime was at its lowest level since December 1967.

Average hourly earnings for production and nonsupervisory workers rose by 5 cents in September to \$3.10. Hourly earnings usually rise substantially in September, as many of the young people returning to school leave jobs with low hourly rates. Over the year, hourly earnings were up 20 cents (6.9 percent).

The rise in hourly earnings boosted average weekly earnings of rank-and-file workers to \$117.80, an increase of \$1.29. Over-the-month gains were greatest in manufacturing (\$2.19) and contract construction (\$4.50). Compared to a year ago, average weekly earnings were up by \$7.31 (6.6 percent).

Labor Force and Employment

The civilian labor force declined less than it usually does at this time of year, reflecting, in part, the effects of an early survey week. After seasonal adjustment, the labor force totaled 81.4 million, up 300,000 from August; the increase was mostly among teenagers. After showing little or no change in the spring, the labor force has increased by 925,000 since June.

Total employment, at 78.1 million (seasonally adjusted), was virtually unchanged over the month. Agricultural employment, however, fell by 175,000 on a seasonally adjusted basis. Over the year, agricultural

employment was down by 200,000, while total nonagricultural employment rose by 2.1 million.

The number of persons who want full-time jobs in nonagricultural industries but are employed part time for economic reasons remained at 2.0 million (seasonally adjusted) in September, following a sharp rise in August. The September level was 375,000 above the 1969 low registered in January.

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.

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

(In thousands)

Employment status, age, and sex	Sept. 1969	Aug. 1969	Sept. 1968	Seasonally adjusted				
				Sept. 1969	Aug. 1969	July 1969	June 1969	May 1969
Total								
Total labor force	84,527	86,046	82,137	84,902	84,584	84,277	83,957	83,593
Civilian labor force	80,984	82,516	78,546	81,359	81,054	80,756	80,433	80,071
Employed	78,026	79,646	75,939	78,127	78,187	77,874	77,671	77,265
Agriculture	3,629	3,977	3,836	3,458	3,634	3,551	3,705	3,805
Nonagricultural industries	74,397	75,669	72,103	74,669	74,553	74,323	73,966	73,460
On part time for economic reasons	1,887	2,323	1,661	1,982	2,001	1,795	1,874	1,688
Usually work full time	1,089	1,088	972	1,091	1,065	881	1,030	862
Usually work part time	798	1,235	689	891	936	914	844	826
Unemployed	2,958	2,869	2,606	3,232	2,867	2,882	2,762	2,806
Men, 20 years and over								
Civilian labor force	46,620	46,981	45,940	46,568	46,507	46,322	46,206	46,171
Employed	45,706	46,096	45,125	45,442	45,551	45,293	45,260	45,227
Agriculture	2,663	2,766	2,809	2,570	2,693	2,646	2,676	2,731
Nonagricultural industries	43,043	43,329	42,316	42,872	42,858	42,647	42,584	42,496
Unemployed	914	886	816	1,126	956	1,029	946	944
Women, 20 years and over								
Civilian labor force	27,711	26,909	26,427	27,686	27,677	27,511	27,262	27,049
Employed	26,509	25,790	25,377	26,519	26,622	26,505	26,251	26,046
Agriculture	605	658	651	511	578	540	617	627
Nonagricultural industries	25,904	25,132	24,726	26,008	26,044	25,965	25,634	25,419
Unemployed	1,202	1,119	1,050	1,167	1,055	1,006	1,011	1,003
Both sexes, 16-19 years								
Civilian labor force	6,653	8,625	6,179	7,105	6,870	6,923	6,965	6,851
Employed	5,811	7,761	5,438	6,166	6,014	6,076	6,160	5,992
Agriculture	362	552	376	377	363	365	412	447
Nonagricultural industries	5,449	7,208	5,062	5,789	5,651	5,711	5,748	5,545
Unemployed	842	865	741	939	856	847	805	859

Table A-2: Full- and part-time status of the civilian labor force by sex and age

(Numbers in thousands)

Full- and part-time employment status, sex, and age	Sept. 1969	Sept. 1968	Seasonally adjusted					
			Sept. 1969	Aug. 1969	July 1969	June 1969	May 1969	Apr. 1969
Full time								
Total, 16 years and over:								
Civilian labor force	70,350	68,365	70,271	70,108	69,818	69,434	69,177	69,389
Employed	66,206	66,526	67,914	67,948	67,653	67,269	67,042	67,167
Unemployed	2,075	1,838	2,357	2,160	2,165	2,165	2,136	2,222
Unemployment rate	2.9	2.7	3.4	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.2
Men, 20 years and over:								
Civilian labor force	44,657	44,061	44,470	44,306	44,201	44,129	44,090	44,093
Employed	42,995	43,340	43,481	43,472	43,303	43,255	43,246	43,251
Unemployed	785	721	989	834	898	874	844	842
Unemployment rate	1.8	1.6	2.2	1.9	2.0	2.0	1.9	1.9
Women, 20 years and over:								
Civilian labor force	22,098	20,984	21,852	21,992	21,781	21,558	21,489	21,562
Employed	20,319	20,229	20,992	21,125	20,984	20,722	20,681	20,710
Unemployed	894	755	860	867	797	836	808	852
Unemployment rate	4.0	3.6	3.9	3.9	3.7	3.9	3.8	4.0
Part time								
Total, 16 years and over:								
Civilian labor force	10,634	10,181	11,066	10,978	10,885	10,914	10,764	10,984
Employed	9,751	9,413	10,296	10,236	10,185	10,342	10,078	10,323
Unemployed	883	768	770	742	700	572	686	661
Unemployment rate	8.3	7.5	7.0	6.8	6.4	5.2	6.4	6.0

NOTE: Persons on part-time schedules for economic reasons are included in the full-time employed category; unemployed persons are allocated by whether seeking full- or part-time work.

Table A-3: Major unemployment indicators

(Persons 16 years and over)

Selected categories	Thousands of persons unemployed		Seasonally adjusted rates of unemployment					
	Sept. 1969	Sept. 1968	Sept. 1969	Aug. 1969	July 1969	June 1969	May 1969	Sept. 1968
Total (all civilian workers)	2,958	2,606	4.0	3.5	3.6	3.4	3.5	3.6
Men, 20 years and over	914	816	2.4	2.1	2.2	2.0	2.0	2.2
Women, 20 years and over	1,202	1,050	4.2	3.8	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.9
Both sexes, 16-19 years	842	741	13.2	12.5	12.2	11.6	12.5	12.5
White	2,400	2,083	3.6	3.2	3.2	3.0	3.1	3.2
Negro and other races	558	523	6.8	6.5	6.4	7.0	6.5	6.6
Married men	514	470	1.7	1.5	1.6	1.5	1.5	1.6
Full-time workers	2,075	1,838	3.4	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1
Part-time workers	883	768	7.0	6.8	6.4	5.2	6.4	6.3
Unemployed 15 weeks and over ¹	324	310	.5	.5	.5	.5	.5	.5
State insured ²	848	805	2.2	2.1	2.2	2.1	2.0	2.2
Labor force time lost ³	--	--	4.4	4.1	4.1	3.9	3.5	4.0
Occupation⁴								
White-collar workers	932	827	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.1	1.9	2.0
Professional and managerial	279	240	1.3	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2
Clerical workers	516	464	3.3	3.3	3.2	3.0	2.8	3.1
Sales workers	137	123	2.8	2.9	3.3	2.9	2.6	2.5
Blue-collar workers	1,064	935	4.4	3.8	3.8	3.7	3.8	4.1
Craftsmen and foremen	175	155	2.6	2.2	1.9	1.9	2.4	2.4
Operatives	646	569	4.8	4.1	4.2	4.3	4.0	4.5
Nonfarm laborers	243	211	7.7	6.9	7.5	5.9	6.4	6.9
Service workers	463	412	4.9	4.5	4.3	4.5	4.2	4.4
Farm workers	55	67	2.0	2.0	2.9	2.0	1.7	2.3
Industry⁴								
Nonagricultural private wage and salary workers ⁵	2,116	1,841	4.0	3.6	3.6	3.5	3.5	3.6
Construction	182	127	7.6	7.4	5.7	5.0	5.5	5.7
Manufacturing	730	631	3.7	2.9	3.2	3.3	3.1	3.3
Durable goods	379	352	3.3	2.3	3.2	3.3	2.9	3.1
Nondurable goods	351	279	4.4	3.8	3.2	3.3	3.4	3.6
Transportation and public utilities	92	107	2.0	2.0	1.9	1.9	2.8	2.6
Wholesale and retail trade	538	446	4.7	4.4	4.1	4.2	3.9	4.0
Finance and service industries	564	513	3.5	3.5	3.7	3.2	3.4	3.3
Government wage and salary workers	285	280	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.8	1.7	2.0
Agricultural wage and salary workers	67	75	7.4	7.0	9.1	5.5	4.9	7.6

¹Unemployment rate calculated as a percent of civilian labor force.²Insured unemployment under State programs—unemployment rate calculated as a percent of average covered employment.³Man-hours lost by the unemployed and persons on part time for economic reasons as a percent of potentially available labor force man-hours.⁴Unemployment by occupation includes all experienced unemployed persons, whereas that by industry covers only unemployed wage and salary workers.⁵Includes mining, not shown separately.

Table A-4: Unemployed persons 16 years and over by duration of unemployment

(In thousands)

Duration of unemployment	Sept. 1969	Aug. 1969	Sept. 1968	Seasonally adjusted				
				Sept. 1969	Aug. 1969	July 1969	June 1969	May 1969
Less than 5 weeks	1,863	1,600	1,672	1,818	1,636	1,677	1,591	1,777
5 to 14 weeks	771	957	625	1,000	861	830	813	629
15 weeks and over	324	313	310	389	382	419	383	409
15 to 26 weeks	191	181	193	233	244	244	258	278
27 weeks and over	133	131	118	156	138	175	125	131

**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		Negro and other races	
	Sept. 1969	Sept. 1968	Sept. 1969	Sept. 1968	Sept. 1969	Sept. 1968	Sept. 1969	Sept. 1968	Sept. 1969	Sept. 1968	Sept. 1969	Sept. 1968
UNEMPLOYMENT LEVEL												
Total unemployed, in thousands	2,958	2,606	914	816	1,202	1,050	842	741	2,400	2,083	558	523
Lost last job	823	841	440	446	288	280	95	115	692	683	131	157
Left last job	586	497	209	157	237	220	140	119	475	401	111	95
Reentered labor force	1,105	903	235	189	596	474	274	239	889	723	216	180
Never worked before	445	366	30	23	81	75	334	267	344	275	100	91
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	27.8	32.2	48.1	54.6	24.0	26.7	11.3	15.5	28.8	32.8	23.4	30.1
Left last job	19.8	19.1	22.9	19.3	19.7	21.0	16.6	16.1	19.8	19.3	19.9	18.2
Reentered labor force	37.4	34.7	25.7	23.2	49.6	45.2	32.5	32.3	37.0	34.7	38.7	34.4
Never worked before	15.0	14.0	3.3	2.9	6.7	7.2	39.6	36.1	14.3	13.2	18.0	17.3
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE												
Total unemployment rate	3.7	3.3	2.0	1.8	4.3	4.0	12.7	12.0	3.3	3.0	6.2	6.0
Job-loser rate ¹	1.0	1.1	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.4	1.9	1.0	1.0	1.4	1.9
Job-leaver rate ¹	.7	.6	.4	.3	.9	.8	2.1	1.9	.7	.6	1.2	1.1
Reentrant rate ¹	1.4	1.1	.5	.4	2.2	1.8	4.1	3.9	1.2	1.0	2.4	2.1
New entrant rate ¹	.5	.5	.1	.1	.3	.3	5.0	4.3	.5	.4	1.1	1.0

¹Unemployment 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					
	Sept. 1969	Aug. 1969		Sept. 1969	Sept. 1969	Aug. 1969	July 1969	June 1969	May 1969
	Sept. 1969	Aug. 1969	Sept. 1969	Sept. 1969	Aug. 1969	July 1969	June 1969	May 1969	Sept. 1968
Total, 16 years and over	2,958	2,869	70.1	4.0	3.5	3.6	3.4	3.5	3.6
16 to 19 years	842	865	47.0	13.2	12.5	12.2	11.6	12.5	12.5
16 and 17 years	430	455	22.6	16.7	16.1	14.7	13.4	13.8	14.4
18 and 19 years	412	410	72.6	10.8	9.9	10.4	10.0	11.8	11.2
20 to 24 years	625	566	80.6	6.7	5.4	5.9	5.3	5.4	5.9
25 years and over	1,491	1,439	78.8	2.5	2.3	2.3	2.2	2.2	2.3
25 to 54 years	1,202	1,160	80.9	2.5	2.4	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3
55 years and over	288	279	70.5	2.3	2.0	2.1	2.0	1.7	2.1
Males, 16 years and over	1,321	1,293	71.9	3.2	2.7	3.0	2.7	2.7	2.8
16 to 19 years	407	407	40.5	12.1	11.1	12.0	10.4	11.0	10.9
16 and 17 years	227	251	17.6	15.0	15.7	14.7	12.7	13.9	12.9
18 and 19 years	180	156	70.0	9.6	7.6	10.0	8.3	8.8	9.3
20 to 24 years	282	237	77.3	6.3	4.5	5.5	4.8	4.8	5.2
25 years and over	632	648	89.7	1.9	1.7	1.8	1.6	1.7	1.8
25 to 54 years	474	478	95.6	1.8	1.7	1.7	1.6	1.8	1.7
55 years and over	157	170	72.6	2.0	2.0	2.0	1.8	1.6	2.1
Females, 16 years and over	1,638	1,577	68.7	5.3	4.9	4.6	4.7	4.8	4.9
16 to 19 years	435	458	53.1	14.6	14.1	12.5	12.9	14.5	14.4
16 and 17 years	204	204	27.9	19.2	16.7	14.8	14.3	13.5	16.6
18 and 19 years	231	254	75.3	12.1	12.3	10.8	11.9	15.2	13.3
20 to 24 years	343	328	83.4	7.1	6.4	6.3	5.9	6.1	6.8
25 years and over	859	791	70.8	3.5	3.3	3.2	3.3	3.1	3.1
25 to 54 years	728	682	71.2	3.7	3.6	3.5	3.6	3.4	3.5
55 years and over	131	109	67.9	2.7	2.1	2.3	2.3	1.8	2.1

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

Industry	(in thousands)									
	Sept. 1969	Aug. 1969	July 1969	Sept. 1968	Change from		Seasonally adjusted			
					Aug. 1969	Sept. 1968	Sept. 1969	Aug. 1969	July 1969	Change from Aug. 1969
TOTAL	70,826	70,516	70,347	68,610	310	2,216	70,398	70,405	70,247	-7
MINING	634	646	645	629	-12	5	626	630	629	-4
CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION	3,631	3,697	3,681	3,519	-66	112	3,390	3,401	3,434	-11
MANUFACTURING	20,518	20,446	20,114	20,045	72	473	20,290	20,345	20,164	-55
<i>Production workers</i>	15,080	14,994	14,665	14,758	86	322	14,849	14,943	14,772	-94
DURABLE GOODS	12,078	11,982	11,874	11,695	96	383	12,027	12,086	11,912	-59
<i>Production workers</i>	8,797	8,703	8,600	8,518	94	279	8,742	8,834	8,668	-92
Ordnance and accessories	325.9	325.4	331.7	347.8	.5	-21.9	325	327	332	-2
Lumber and wood products	608.9	619.2	616.3	608.7	-10.3	.2	599	599	600	0
Furniture and fixtures	501.2	497.9	485.0	482.1	3.3	19.1	497	493	491	4
Stone, clay, and glass products ..	675.0	678.5	676.2	658.8	-3.5	16.2	660	658	658	2
Primary metal industries	1,359.3	1,367.3	1,366.7	1,290.5	-8.0	68.8	1,372	1,360	1,348	12
Fabricated metal products	1,480.8	1,465.9	1,441.7	1,404.9	14.9	75.9	1,476	1,469	1,456	7
Machinery, except electrical	2,013.8	1,999.6	2,009.3	1,950.2	14.2	63.6	2,024	2,006	2,007	18
Electrical equipment	2,088.5	2,072.3	2,047.7	1,991.9	16.2	96.6	2,080	2,074	2,070	6
Transportation equipment	2,085.4	2,022.8	1,991.0	2,045.2	62.6	40.2	2,075	2,182	2,032	-107
Instruments and related products ..	474.8	475.9	470.9	462.1	-1.1	12.7	474	474	471	0
Miscellaneous manufacturing	464.5	457.5	437.5	452.5	7.0	12.0	445	444	447	1
NONDURABLE GOODS	8,440	8,464	8,240	8,350	-24	90	8,263	8,259	8,252	4
<i>Production workers</i>	6,283	6,291	6,065	6,240	-8	43	6,107	6,109	6,104	-2
Food and kindred products	1,944.7	1,934.8	1,827.6	1,910.2	9.9	34.5	1,814	1,800	1,787	14
Tobacco manufactures	97.0	91.5	71.9	99.0	5.5	-2.0	83	85	81	-2
Textile mill products	983.3	988.7	980.7	1,000.2	-5.4	-16.9	977	980	988	-3
Apparel and other textile products	1,429.6	1,435.3	1,375.8	1,429.7	-5.7	-.1	1,414	1,415	1,423	-1
Paper and allied products	722.0	727.0	719.8	700.2	-5.0	21.8	718	718	716	0
Printing and publishing	1,090.8	1,090.8	1,085.4	1,064.1	0	26.7	1,092	1,089	1,084	3
Chemicals and allied products	1,051.3	1,064.6	1,064.5	1,032.0	-13.3	19.3	1,050	1,052	1,054	-2
Petroleum and coal products	193.9	195.9	196.3	189.6	-2.0	4.3	190	190	191	0
Rubber and plastics products, n e c	585.0	585.5	576.1	568.1	-.5	16.9	582	585	585	-3
Leather and leather products	342.5	350.2	341.4	356.9	-7.7	-14.4	343	345	343	-2
TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC UTILITIES	4,527	4,531	4,528	4,381	-.4	146	4,478	4,482	4,483	-4
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	14,672	14,651	14,662	14,184	21	488	14,686	14,693	14,671	-7
WHOLESALE TRADE	3,801	3,820	3,818	3,664	-19	137	3,782	3,775	3,773	7
RETAIL TRADE	10,871	10,831	10,844	10,520	40	351	10,904	10,918	10,898	-14
FINANCE, INSURANCE, AND REAL ESTATE	3,606	3,643	3,629	3,424	-37	182	3,595	3,582	3,568	13
SERVICES	11,201	11,239	11,266	10,667	-38	534	11,167	11,106	11,067	61
Hotels and other lodging places ..	745.8	823.2	829.2	736.8	-77.4	9.0	723	702	706	21
Personal services	1,015.8	1,021.6	1,036.0	1,024.9	-5.8	-9.1	1,020	1,025	1,030	-5
Medical and other health services ..	2,881.8	2,888.6	2,889.3	2,675.9	-6.8	205.9	2,885	2,871	2,861	14
Educational services	1,079.4	947.2	967.2	1,024.2	132.2	55.2	1,119	1,090	1,099	29
GOVERNMENT	12,037	11,663	11,822	11,761	374	276	12,166	12,166	12,231	0
FEDERAL	2,726	2,804	2,841	2,705	-78	21	2,742	2,752	2,777	-10
STATE AND LOCAL	9,311	8,859	8,981	9,056	452	255	9,424	9,414	9,454	10

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	Sept. 1969	Aug. 1969	July 1969	Sept. 1968	Change from		Seasonally adjusted			
					Aug. 1969	Sept. 1968	Sept. 1969	Aug. 1969	July 1969	Change from Aug. 1969
TOTAL PRIVATE	38.0	38.2	38.1	38.1	-0.2	-0.1	37.8	37.8	37.8	0
MINING	43.2	43.6	43.1	43.2	-.4	0	42.9	43.1	42.6	-0.2
CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION	39.4	39.2	38.8	38.7	.2	.7	38.2	37.9	37.5	.3
MANUFACTURING	40.9	40.6	40.5	41.2	.3	-.3	40.7	40.6	40.7	.1
<i>Overtime hours</i>	3.8	3.7	3.5	4.0	.1	-.2	3.5	3.7	3.6	-.2
DURABLE GOODS	41.6	41.1	40.9	41.8	.5	-.2	41.4	41.3	41.2	.1
<i>Overtime hours</i>	4.0	3.8	3.6	4.2	.2	-.2	3.7	3.8	3.8	-.1
Ordnance and accessories	40.9	40.3	39.8	41.9	.6	-1.0	40.7	40.5	40.2	.2
Lumber and wood products	40.5	40.4	39.7	41.3	.1	-.8	40.2	40.0	39.7	.2
Furniture and fixtures	40.6	40.9	39.7	41.4	-.3	-.8	40.0	40.4	40.1	-.4
Stone, clay, and glass products ..	42.7	42.5	41.9	42.6	.2	.1	42.2	42.0	41.7	.2
Primary metal industries	42.0	41.9	41.6	41.3	.1	.7	42.1	42.1	41.5	0
Fabricated metal products	41.9	41.5	41.2	42.5	.4	-.6	41.3	41.4	41.6	-.1
Machinery, except electrical	42.3	41.9	41.8	42.3	.4	0	42.3	42.5	42.2	-.2
Electrical equipment	40.6	40.3	39.8	40.9	.3	-.3	40.4	40.4	40.3	0
Transportation equipment	42.0	40.5	41.6	42.8	1.5	-.8	41.5	41.2	42.3	.3
Instruments and related products ..	41.2	40.8	40.5	40.8	.4	.4	41.0	41.0	40.9	0
Miscellaneous manufacturing	39.2	39.0	38.4	39.8	.2	-.6	39.0	38.9	39.1	.1
NONDURABLE GOODS	40.0	39.9	39.8	40.3	.1	-.3	39.7	39.6	39.7	.1
<i>Overtime hours</i>	3.6	3.5	3.4	3.8	.1	-.2	3.2	3.4	3.4	-.2
Food and kindred products	42.1	41.3	41.2	41.6	.8	.5	41.3	40.9	40.6	.4
Tobacco manufactures	38.4	37.5	37.7	39.7	.9	-1.3	37.0	37.2	38.2	-.2
Textile mill products	40.9	40.9	40.7	41.6	0	-.7	40.7	40.8	41.2	-.1
Apparel and other textile products ..	35.9	36.4	35.9	36.4	-.5	-.5	35.9	36.0	36.0	-.1
Paper and allied products	43.1	43.0	43.0	43.6	.1	-.5	42.7	42.8	43.0	-.1
Printing and publishing	38.6	38.6	38.4	38.8	0	-.2	38.3	38.4	38.5	-.1
Chemicals and allied products	41.6	41.6	41.7	42.0	0	-.4	41.5	41.8	41.9	-.3
Petroleum and coal products	43.3	42.8	43.6	43.1	.5	.2	42.7	42.7	42.9	0
Rubber and plastics products, n e c ..	41.4	41.0	40.8	42.1	.4	-.7	40.9	40.9	41.2	0
Leather and leather products	36.9	37.1	37.4	37.8	-.2	-.9	37.2	36.8	37.0	.4
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	35.6	36.6	36.5	36.1	-1.0	-.5	35.6	35.8	35.7	-.2
WHOLESALE TRADE	40.4	40.5	40.3	40.2	-.1	.2	40.4	40.3	40.0	.1
RETAIL TRADE	34.1	35.3	35.2	34.7	-1.2	-.6	34.1	34.3	34.2	-.2
FINANCE, INSURANCE, AND REAL ESTATE	36.8	37.0	37.1	37.0	-.2	-.2	36.9	37.0	37.0	-.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					
	Sept. 1969	Aug. 1969	July 1969	Sept. 1968	Change from		Sept. 1969	Aug. 1969	July 1969	Sept. 1968	Change from	
					Aug. 1969	Sept. 1968					Aug. 1969	Sept. 1968
TOTAL PRIVATE	\$3.10	\$3.05	\$3.04	\$2.90	\$0.05	\$0.20	\$117.80	\$116.51	\$115.82	\$110.49	\$1.29	\$7.31
MINING	3.64	3.60	3.58	3.39	.04	.25	157.25	156.96	154.30	146.45	.29	10.80
CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION	4.88	4.79	4.74	4.49	.09	.39	192.27	187.77	183.91	173.76	4.50	18.51
MANUFACTURING	3.23	3.20	3.19	3.04	.03	.19	132.11	129.92	129.20	125.25	2.19	6.86
DURABLE GOODS	3.42	3.39	3.37	3.23	.03	.19	142.27	139.33	137.83	135.01	2.94	7.26
Ordnance and accessories	3.53	3.51	3.44	3.29	.02	.24	144.38	141.45	136.91	137.85	2.93	6.53
Lumber and wood products	2.80	2.78	2.74	2.64	.02	.16	113.40	112.31	108.78	109.03	1.09	4.37
Furniture and fixtures	2.66	2.64	2.62	2.52	.02	.14	108.00	107.98	104.01	104.33	.02	3.67
Stone, clay, and glass products ..	3.24	3.21	3.18	3.05	.03	.19	138.35	136.43	133.24	129.93	1.92	8.42
Primary metal industries	3.85	3.84	3.79	3.60	.01	.25	161.70	160.90	157.66	148.68	.80	13.02
Fabricated metal products	3.37	3.33	3.32	3.21	.04	.16	141.20	138.20	136.78	136.43	3.00	4.77
Machinery, except electrical	3.60	3.57	3.55	3.39	.03	.21	152.28	149.58	148.39	143.40	2.70	8.88
Electrical equipment	3.12	3.10	3.09	2.95	.02	.17	126.67	124.93	122.98	120.66	1.74	6.01
Transportation equipment	3.95	3.93	3.91	3.74	.02	.21	165.90	159.17	162.66	160.07	6.73	5.83
Instruments and related products ..	3.19	3.17	3.14	3.02	.02	.17	131.43	129.34	127.17	123.22	2.09	8.21
Miscellaneous manufacturing	2.65	2.63	2.64	2.51	.02	.14	103.88	102.57	101.38	99.90	1.31	3.98
NONDURABLE GOODS	2.94	2.92	2.92	2.78	.02	.16	117.60	116.51	116.22	112.03	1.09	5.57
Food and kindred products	2.95	2.93	2.97	2.80	.02	.15	124.20	121.01	122.36	116.48	3.19	7.72
Tobacco manufactures	2.50	2.51	2.77	2.38	-.01	.12	96.00	94.13	104.43	94.49	1.87	1.51
Textile mill products	2.40	2.38	2.35	2.26	.02	.14	98.16	97.34	95.65	94.02	.82	4.14
Apparel and other textile products ..	2.34	2.31	2.29	2.26	.03	.08	84.01	84.08	82.21	82.26	-.07	1.75
Paper and allied products	3.30	3.28	3.26	3.11	.02	.19	142.23	141.04	140.18	135.60	1.19	6.63
Printing and publishing	3.75	3.70	3.68	3.54	.05	.21	144.75	142.82	141.31	137.35	1.93	7.40
Chemicals and allied products	3.51	3.49	3.49	3.30	.02	.21	146.02	145.18	145.53	138.60	.84	7.42
Petroleum and coal products	4.09	4.01	4.04	3.77	.08	.32	177.10	171.63	176.14	162.49	5.47	14.61
Rubber and plastics products, n e c ..	3.14	3.09	3.09	2.98	.05	.16	130.00	126.69	126.07	125.46	3.31	4.54
Leather and leather products	2.38	2.35	2.34	2.26	.03	.12	87.82	87.19	87.52	85.43	.63	2.39
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	2.59	2.55	2.55	2.44	.04	.15	92.20	93.33	93.08	88.08	-1.13	4.12
WHOLESALE TRADE	3.28	3.24	3.23	3.09	.04	.19	132.51	131.22	130.17	124.22	1.29	8.29
RETAIL TRADE	2.32	2.30	2.30	2.19	.02	.13	79.11	81.19	80.96	75.99	-2.08	3.12
FINANCE, INSURANCE, AND REAL ESTATE	2.92	2.92	2.91	2.79	0	.13	107.46	108.04	107.96	103.23	-.58	4.23

¹ See footnote 1, table B-2.

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