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THE EMPLOYMENT SITUATION: MAY 1974

Unemployment rose in May, but employment also increased, it was announced today by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U. S. Department of Labor. Primarily because of a rise in joblessness among teenagers, the Nation's unemployment rate edged up to 5.2 percent from 5.0 percent in April. The jobless rate has been in the 5.0-5.2 percent range since January, after rising from last October's low of 4.6 percent.

Total employment (as measured by the monthly sample survey of households) was 86.0 million in May, up slightly from the 85.8 million plateau at which it had held since January.

Nonagricultural payroll employment (as measured by the monthly survey of business establishments) rose by 180,000, with the entire gain occurring in service-producing industries. There was also a rebound in the workweek and a sizeable increase in average hourly earnings.

Unemployment

The number of persons unemployed in May totaled 4.7 million (seasonally adjusted), up 170,000 from the previous month. This was a return to the levels of the first 2 months of the year. The unemployment rate of 5.2 percent was above the April level but continued between 5.0 and 5.2 percent for the fifth consecutive month.

Teenagers accounted for most of the May rise in total joblessness; their unemployment rate, which had dropped the previous month, increased from 13.8 to 15.8 percent. Except for April, the teenage jobless rate has held between 15 and 16 percent since January (table A-2).

Jobless rates for most adult worker groups, on the other hand, remained either unchanged or declined marginally in May. There was some improvement among married men, whose unemployment rate declined from 2.5 to 2.2 percent over the month; this was mirrored by a drop in the rate for all men 25 years and over (table A-6). The rates for men 20 years and over (3.4 percent), women

20 years and over (5.1 percent), and household heads (3.0 percent) did not show statistically significant movements over the month.

The jobless rate for full-time workers, at 4.6 percent in May, has been virtually unchanged since January. In contrast, the part-time worker rate rose substantially in May, from 7.3 to 8.8 percent, due largely to the increase in teenage joblessness. Increased youth unemployment also affected the unemployment rates of

Table A. Highlights of the employment situation (seasonally adjusted data)

Selected categories	Quarterly averages					Monthly data		
	1973				1974	March 1974	April 1974	May 1974
	I	II	III	IV	I			
	(Millions of persons)							
Civilian labor force	87.6	88.5	89.0	89.9	90.5	90.5	90.3	90.7
Total employment	83.2	84.1	84.8	85.7	85.8	85.9	85.8	86.0
Adult men	47.5	47.7	48.1	48.5	48.5	48.4	48.3	48.5
Adult women	28.6	29.2	29.5	29.7	29.7	29.9	30.1	30.1
Teenagers	7.1	7.2	7.2	7.5	7.6	7.6	7.4	7.4
Unemployment	4.4	4.3	4.2	4.2	4.7	4.6	4.5	4.7
	(Percent of labor force)							
Unemployment rates:								
All workers	5.0	4.9	4.7	4.7	5.2	5.1	5.0	5.2
Adult men	3.4	3.3	3.1	3.0	3.5	3.4	3.6	3.4
Adult women	5.0	4.8	4.8	4.7	5.1	5.0	4.9	5.1
Teenagers	14.7	14.7	14.3	14.3	15.3	15.0	13.8	15.8
White	4.5	4.4	4.2	4.2	4.7	4.6	4.5	4.7
Negro and other races	9.0	9.0	9.0	8.6	9.4	9.4	8.7	9.5
Household heads	3.0	2.9	2.7	2.8	3.0	3.0	3.1	3.0
Married men	2.4	2.3	2.1	2.1	2.4	2.4	2.5	2.2
Full-time workers	4.6	4.3	4.2	4.3	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.6
State insured	2.9r	2.7	2.6r	2.6r	3.3r	3.4r	3.4r	3.3
	(Weeks)							
Average duration of unemployment	10.6	9.9	9.7	9.9	9.5	9.4	9.8	9.5
	(Millions of persons)							
Nonfarm payroll employment	74.6	75.3	75.7	76.6	76.7	76.8	76.9p	77.1p
Goods-producing industries	23.7	24.0	24.2	24.4	24.3	24.2	24.2p	24.2p
Service-producing industries	50.9	51.3	51.6	52.1	52.4	52.6	52.7p	52.9p
	(Hours of work)							
Average weekly hours:								
Total private nonfarm	37.1	37.2	37.1	37.0	36.8	36.8	36.6p	36.8p
Manufacturing	40.7	40.7	40.7	40.6	40.4	40.4	39.4p	40.3p
Manufacturing overtime	3.8	3.9	3.8	3.7	3.5	3.6	2.9p	3.5p
	(1967=100)							
Hourly Earnings Index, private nonfarm:								
In current dollars	142.7	145.0	147.8	150.4	152.6	153.5	154.5p	155.9p
In constant dollars	110.7	110.3	110.1	109.3	107.8	107.2	107.3p	N.A.

p= preliminary.
N.A.= not available.
r=revised.

SOURCE: Tables A-1, A-3, A-4, B-1, B-2, and B-4.

white and Negro workers, which rose to 4.7 and 9.5 percent, respectively. At 33.5 percent, the unemployment rate for Negro youth continued to be more than twice the white teenage rate.

The unemployment rate for Vietnam-era veterans 20 to 34 years old, at 4.8 percent in May, was not materially different from the rates of the first 4 months of 1974 or of a year ago. The rate for the more recently discharged veterans (20-24) was 10.3 percent, remaining much higher than that for young nonveterans (7.9 percent), who have greater civilian job market experience. For older veterans (those 25-34), jobless rates have been at or below the rates for their nonveteran counterparts.

Among the major industries, one of the few significant changes in the jobless situation was a decline in the rate for durable goods workers to 4.5 percent in May from the 5-percent plateau at which it had held in the previous 4 months. Among the major occupational groups, there was a decline in the jobless rate for blue-collar workers, a group that had been most adversely affected by energy shortages. This decline however, was more than offset by increases among clerical, sales, and service workers.

The jobless rate for workers covered by State unemployment insurance programs edged down from 3.4 percent in April (as revised) to 3.3 percent but remained well above the year-earlier rate of 2.7 percent.

A decline in the number of job losers was not sufficient to offset an increase among unemployed reentrants to the labor force (table A-5). The proportion of the total unemployed who had lost their last job dropped below 40 percent for the first time since last November.

Civilian Labor Force and Total Employment

The number of persons in the civilian labor force rose by 370,000 in May, registering the first increase since January and bringing it to a level of 90.7 million; the gain was paced by adult men and teenagers. (See table A-1.) For adult men, this increase reversed a downward trend evident since January, whereas the teenage advance represented a rebound from a substantial drop the previous month (which may have stemmed from the fact that this year, for the first time in many years, the April survey week immediately preceded Easter, when many youth were on spring vacations).

Total employment in May--at 86.0 million, seasonally adjusted--rose slightly after having shown little growth during the winter and early spring. Since

May a year ago, total employment has expanded by 2.0 million. The April-to-May change in employment was attributable to gains among men and persons working in blue-collar occupations, a marked reversal of recent trends.

The number of persons working part time because of economic reasons (those working part time but wanting full-time jobs) increased substantially in May (360,000) to 2.7 million, bringing to a halt a 2-month decline.

Industry Payroll Employment

Nonagricultural payroll employment rose by 180,000 in May to 77.1 million, seasonally adjusted. The entire expansion took place in the service-producing industries, but increased strike activity in contract construction and manufacturing may have forestalled advances in these industries. The largest over-the-month gains occurred in services and State and local government. (See table B-1.)

Since May 1973, service-producing industries have accounted for 1.6 million of the 1.8-million increase in total payroll employment. However, goods-producing employment had risen substantially through the end of last year and then dropped by nearly a quarter of a million in the ensuing months of energy shortages.

Hours of Work

The average workweek of production or nonsupervisory workers on private nonagricultural payrolls increased by 0.2 hour in May, returning to the March level of 36.8 hours (seasonally adjusted). Manufacturing paced this recovery, with the workweek increasing 0.9 hour and overtime 0.6 hour. (See table B-2.) These gains support the view that the timing of the reference week in April (the week before Easter) was the major contributing factor in that month's declines. Over the past year, average weekly hours have decreased 0.4 hour, both among all production or nonsupervisory workers and those in manufacturing. Overtime hours in manufacturing were also down 0.4 hour from the May 1973 level.

Hourly and Weekly Earnings

Average hourly earnings of production or nonsupervisory workers on nonfarm payrolls rose 1.5 percent in May (seasonally adjusted). Since May 1973, hourly earnings have advanced by 7.5 percent. Average weekly earnings also increased sharply in May--by 2.0 percent--reflecting both the large increase in hourly earnings and the rebound in the workweek. Since May a year ago, weekly earnings have risen by 6.4 percent.

Before adjustment for seasonality, average hourly earnings rose 7 cents in May to \$4.14 (table B-3). Since May 1973, hourly earnings were up by 29 cents.

Weekly earnings averaged \$151.52 in May, an increase of \$3.78 from April and \$9.07 from May a year ago.

The unusually large increase in average hourly earnings during May reflected several contemporaneous events. Large cost-of-living increases became effective in some industries, including steel. In addition, the Federal minimum wage law was amended effective May 1, expanding its coverage and raising the level for already covered workers. A third factor leading to the rise was the rebound in factory overtime.

The Hourly Earnings Index

The Hourly Earnings Index--earnings adjusted for overtime in manufacturing, seasonality, and the effects of changes in the proportion of workers in high-wage and low-wage industries--was 155.9 (1967=100) in May, 0.9 percent higher than in April. (See table B-4.) The Index was 7.7 percent above May a year ago. All industry divisions recorded gains over the past 12 months, ranging from 6.5 percent in finance, insurance and real estate to 9.5 percent in mining. During the 12-month period ended in April, the Hourly Earnings Index in dollars of constant purchasing power declined 2.9 percent.

This release presents and analyzes statistics from two major surveys. Data on labor force, total employment, and unemployment are derived from the sample survey of households conducted and tabulated by the Bureau of the Census for the Bureau of Labor Statistics. Statistics on payroll employment, hours, and earnings are collected by State agencies from payroll records of employers and are tabulated by the Bureau of Labor Statistics. Unless otherwise indicated, data for both series relate to the week of the specified month containing the 12th day. A description of the two surveys appears in the BLS publication *Employment and Earnings*.

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Table A-1. Employment status of the noninstitutional population

[Numbers in thousands]

Employment status	Not seasonally adjusted			Seasonally adjusted					
	May 1973	April 1974	May 1974	May 1973	Jan. 1974	Feb. 1974	March 1974	April 1974	May 1974
TOTAL									
Total noninstitutional population ¹	147,940	150,283	150,507	147,940	149,656	149,857	150,066	150,283	150,507
Total labor force	89,891	91,736	92,158	90,597	92,801	92,814	92,747	92,556	92,909
Civilian noninstitutional population ¹	145,607	148,040	148,277	145,607	147,398	147,599	147,816	148,040	148,277
Civilian labor force	87,557	89,493	89,929	88,263	90,543	90,556	90,496	90,313	90,679
Employed	83,758	85,192	85,785	83,950	85,811	85,803	85,863	85,775	85,971
Agriculture	3,467	3,437	3,604	3,320	3,794	3,852	3,699	3,511	3,457
Nonagricultural industries	80,291	81,756	82,181	80,630	82,017	81,951	82,164	82,264	82,514
Unemployed	3,799	4,301	4,144	4,313	4,732	4,753	4,633	4,538	4,708
Unemployment rate	4.3	4.8	4.6	4.9	5.2	5.2	5.1	5.0	5.2
Not in labor force	58,050	58,547	58,349	57,343	56,855	57,043	57,320	57,727	57,598
Males, 20 years and over									
Total noninstitutional population ¹	62,706	63,712	63,804	62,706	63,455	63,536	63,622	63,712	63,804
Total labor force	51,112	51,738	51,931	51,237	52,197	52,139	51,912	51,880	52,031
Civilian noninstitutional population ¹	60,795	61,897	62,000	60,795	61,628	61,709	61,801	61,897	62,000
Civilian labor force	49,210	49,924	50,127	49,325	50,371	50,312	50,091	50,065	50,227
Employed	47,680	48,104	48,539	47,668	48,660	48,529	48,379	48,272	48,508
Agriculture	2,524	2,508	2,571	2,447	2,687	2,708	2,646	2,493	2,494
Nonagricultural industries	45,156	45,596	45,968	45,221	45,973	45,821	45,733	45,779	46,014
Unemployed	1,531	1,820	1,588	1,657	1,711	1,783	1,712	1,793	1,719
Unemployment rate	3.1	3.6	3.2	3.4	3.4	3.5	3.4	3.6	3.4
Not in labor force	11,585	11,973	11,873	11,470	11,258	11,397	11,710	11,832	11,773
Females, 20 years and over									
Civilian noninstitutional population ¹	69,096	70,139	70,247	69,096	69,840	69,937	70,035	70,139	70,247
Civilian labor force	30,532	31,611	31,622	30,536	31,133	31,329	31,498	31,612	31,651
Employed	29,249	30,159	30,149	29,145	29,519	29,722	29,916	30,057	30,051
Agriculture	576	494	575	508	628	641	613	539	507
Nonagricultural industries	28,673	29,666	29,574	28,637	28,891	29,081	29,303	29,518	29,544
Unemployed	1,282	1,452	1,474	1,391	1,614	1,607	1,582	1,555	1,600
Unemployment rate	4.2	4.6	4.7	4.9	5.2	5.1	5.0	4.9	5.1
Not in labor force	38,565	38,528	38,625	38,560	38,707	38,608	38,537	38,527	38,596
Both sexes, 16-19 years									
Civilian noninstitutional population ¹	15,715	16,004	16,030	15,715	15,930	15,952	15,981	16,004	16,030
Civilian labor force	7,815	7,958	8,180	8,402	9,039	8,915	8,907	8,636	8,801
Employed	6,829	6,929	7,098	7,137	7,632	7,552	7,568	7,446	7,412
Agriculture	367	435	459	365	479	503	440	479	456
Nonagricultural industries	6,462	6,494	6,639	6,772	7,153	7,049	7,128	6,967	6,956
Unemployed	986	1,029	1,082	1,265	1,407	1,363	1,339	1,190	1,389
Unemployment rate	12.6	12.9	13.2	15.1	15.6	15.3	15.0	13.8	15.8
Not in labor force	7,900	8,046	7,850	7,313	6,891	7,037	7,074	7,368	7,229
WHITE									
Civilian noninstitutional population ¹	128,984	130,922	131,114	128,984	130,393	130,555	130,739	130,922	131,114
Civilian labor force	77,758	79,415	79,797	78,402	80,089	80,122	80,163	80,100	80,488
Employed	74,749	75,950	76,488	74,952	76,328	76,354	76,498	76,464	76,694
Unemployed	3,009	3,465	3,309	3,450	3,761	3,768	3,665	3,636	3,794
Unemployment rate	3.9	4.4	4.1	4.4	4.7	4.7	4.6	4.5	4.7
Not in labor force	51,225	51,507	51,316	50,582	50,304	50,433	50,576	50,822	51,626
NEGRO AND OTHER RACES									
Civilian noninstitutional population ¹	16,623	17,118	17,164	16,623	17,005	17,044	17,077	17,118	17,164
Civilian labor force	9,799	10,078	10,132	9,937	10,499	10,340	10,289	10,168	10,292
Employed	9,009	9,242	9,297	9,023	9,513	9,390	9,323	9,285	9,315
Unemployed	790	835	834	914	986	950	966	883	977
Unemployment rate	8.1	8.3	8.2	9.2	9.4	9.2	9.4	8.7	9.5
Not in labor force	6,824	7,041	7,032	6,686	6,506	6,704	6,788	6,950	6,872

¹ Seasonal variations are not present in the population figures; therefore, identical numbers appear in the unadjusted and seasonally adjusted columns.

NOTE: Data relate to the noninstitutional population 16 years of age and over. Total noninstitutional population and total labor force include persons in the Armed Forces.

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Table A-2. Major unemployment indicators, seasonally adjusted

Selected categories	Number of unemployed persons (In thousands)		Unemployment rates					
	May 1973	May 1974	May 1973	Jan. 1974	Feb. 1974	March 1974	April 1974	May 1974
Total, 16 years and over	4,313	4,708	4.9	5.2	5.2	5.1	5.0	5.2
Males, 20 years and over	1,657	1,719	3.4	3.4	3.5	3.4	3.6	3.4
Females, 20 years and over	1,391	1,600	4.6	5.2	5.1	5.0	4.9	5.1
Both sexes, 16-19 years	1,265	1,389	15.1	15.6	15.3	15.0	13.8	15.8
White, total	3,450	3,794	4.4	4.7	4.7	4.6	4.5	4.7
Males, 20 years and over	1,338	1,395	3.0	3.1	3.2	3.0	3.2	3.1
Females, 20 years and over	1,101	1,295	4.1	4.7	4.7	4.7	4.6	4.7
Both sexes, 16-19 years	1,011	1,104	13.4	13.7	13.3	12.8	11.9	14.0
Negro and other races, total	914	977	9.2	9.4	9.2	9.4	8.7	9.5
Males, 20 years and over	319	324	6.3	5.8	6.6	6.8	6.5	6.3
Females, 20 years and over	318	336	7.9	9.1	7.9	7.0	6.8	8.0
Both sexes, 16-19 years	277	317	30.8	29.1	29.2	33.8	30.3	33.5
Household heads	1,458	1,560	2.9	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.1	3.0
Married men, spouse present	919	894	2.3	2.3	2.4	2.4	2.5	2.2
Full-time workers	3,254	3,577	4.3	4.7	4.7	4.6	4.6	4.6
Part-time workers	1,087	1,148	8.5	8.2	8.4	8.1	7.3	8.8
Unemployed 15 weeks and over ¹	818	877	.9	.8	.9	.9	.9	1.0
State insured ²	1,611r	2,116	2.7	3.1r	3.3r	3.4r	3.4r	3.3
Labor force time lost ³	--	--	5.2	5.7	5.7	5.6	5.7	5.7
OCCUPATION⁴								
White-collar workers	1,195	1,387	2.9	3.2	3.2	2.8	2.8	3.2
Professional and technical	245	269	2.1	2.5	2.0	1.9	2.2	2.1
Managers and administrators, except farm	130	176	1.5	1.7	1.8	1.5	1.6	1.9
Sales workers	201	237	3.6	4.0	4.2	3.8	3.3	4.2
Clerical workers	619	705	4.1	4.5	4.5	4.0	3.9	4.6
Blue-collar workers	1,690	1,933	5.3	6.0	6.1	6.1	6.4	6.0
Craft and kindred workers	439	441	3.7	3.8	3.9	3.6	3.9	3.7
Operatives	847	956	5.6	7.0	6.8	7.2	7.1	6.3
Nonfarm laborers	404	430	8.6	8.4	9.3	9.0	10.4	8.8
Service workers	679	798	5.8	5.5	6.1	6.1	5.8	6.7
Farm workers	100	82	3.3	1.9	2.1	2.8	2.7	2.6
INDUSTRY⁴								
Nonagricultural private wage and salary workers ⁵	3,106	3,417	4.8	5.3	5.4	5.1	5.3	5.2
Construction	400	432	8.9	9.1	7.9	8.4	10.3	9.6
Manufacturing	942	1,020	4.4	5.1	5.3	5.2	5.0	4.7
Durable goods	500	575	4.0	5.0	5.1	5.0	5.0	4.5
Nondurable goods	442	445	5.1	5.3	5.7	5.5	5.1	5.0
Transportation and public utilities	138	148	3.0	2.9	3.1	2.8c	3.0	3.0
Wholesale and retail trade	884	1,021	5.6	6.1	6.0	5.8	5.9	6.3
Finance and service industries	726	772	4.2	4.5	4.9	4.4	4.3	4.3
Government workers	380	499	2.7	2.5	2.8	2.8	2.9	3.4
Agricultural wage and salary workers	117	101	8.8	6.3	6.7	7.8	8.2	7.1
VETERAN STATUS								
Males, Vietnam-era veterans ⁶ :								
20 to 34 years	273	278	5.2	5.2	5.0	5.1	5.1	4.8
20 to 24 years	138	129	8.9	10.6	10.0	9.0	9.2	10.3
25 to 29 years	114	117	4.1	3.6	3.8	4.3	4.5	3.6
30 to 34 years	21	32	2.2	3.1	2.7	2.8	2.8	2.5
Males, nonveterans:								
20 to 34 years	676	760	5.2	5.2	5.4	5.5	5.8	5.6
20 to 24 years	404	481	7.3	7.2	7.9	7.8	7.6	7.9
25 to 29 years	179	184	4.6	4.0	4.1	4.3	4.9	4.8
30 to 34 years	93	95	2.7	3.2	2.8	3.2	3.7	2.6

¹ Unemployment-rate calculated as a percent of civilian labor force.² Insured unemployment under State programs; unemployment rate calculated as a percent of average covered employment.³ Man-hours lost by the unemployed and persons on part time for economic reasons as a percent of potentially available labor force man-hours.⁴ Unemployment by occupation includes all experienced unemployed persons, whereas that by industry covers only unemployed wage and salary workers.⁵ Includes mining, not shown separately.⁶ Vietnam-era veterans are those who served after August 4, 1964.

r=revised

c=corrected

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Table A-3. Selected employment indicators

[In thousands]

Selected categories	Not seasonally adjusted		Seasonally adjusted					
	May 1973	May 1974	May 1973	Jan. 1974	Feb. 1974	March 1974	April 1974	May 1974
Total employed, 16 years and over	83,758	85,785	83,950	85,811	85,803	85,863	85,775	85,971
Males	51,470	52,519	51,597	52,910	52,716	52,556	52,370	52,628
Females	32,288	33,267	32,353	32,901	33,087	33,307	33,405	33,343
Household heads	49,578	50,919	49,468	50,807	50,825	50,706	50,738	50,817
Married men, spouse present	38,817	39,064	38,814	39,394	39,268	39,025	38,975	39,064
Married women, spouse present	19,252	19,564	19,200	19,147	19,224	19,349	19,497	19,505
OCCUPATION								
White-collar workers	39,909	41,462	40,066	41,399	41,375	41,743	41,601	41,615
Professional and technical	11,600	12,297	11,555	12,068	12,350	12,260	12,274	12,248
Managers and administrators, except farm	8,564	9,136	8,573	9,186	9,031	8,938	9,009	9,145
Sales workers	5,360	5,364	5,435	5,386	5,408	5,462	5,443	5,440
Clerical workers	14,385	14,664	14,503	14,759	14,586	15,083	14,875	14,782
Blue-collar workers	29,656	29,933	29,914	30,212	29,760	29,773	29,722	30,192
Craft and kindred workers	11,300	11,530	11,388	11,444	11,337	11,603	11,534	11,623
Operatives	14,067	13,953	14,255	14,187	13,990	13,711	13,973	14,137
Nonfarm laborers	4,289	4,450	4,271	4,581	4,433	4,459	4,215	4,432
Service workers	11,151	11,235	11,049	11,098	11,177	11,136	11,212	11,129
Farm workers	3,042	3,155	2,924	3,326	3,380	3,204	3,128	3,028
MAJOR INDUSTRY AND CLASS OF WORKER								
Agriculture:								
Wage and salary workers	1,242	1,360	1,206	1,493	1,469	1,440	1,299	1,320
Self-employed workers	1,788	1,778	1,750	1,887	1,919	1,828	1,767	1,740
Unpaid family workers	437	466	374	392	429	408	456	398
Nonagricultural industries:								
Wage and salary workers	74,145	75,839	74,638	75,984	76,031	76,231	76,054	76,132
Private households	1,525	1,433	1,515	1,438	1,505	1,403	1,434	1,424
Government	13,641	14,163	13,549	13,590	13,844	14,028	14,036	14,065
Other	58,980	60,243	59,574	60,956	60,682	60,800	60,584	60,643
Self-employed workers	5,573	5,823	5,457	5,399	5,458	5,362	5,636	5,703
Unpaid family workers	572	519	545	466	461	520	498	495
PERSONS AT WORK ¹								
Nonagricultural industries	77,109	78,736	76,016	76,801	77,164	76,993	75,696	77,679
Full-time schedules	63,761	64,795	63,508	63,847	63,911	63,984	63,378	64,537
Part time for economic reasons	1,980	2,412	2,254	2,586	2,754	2,540	2,390	2,746
Usually work full time	949	1,147	1,043	1,213	1,381	1,249	1,078	1,260
Usually work part time	1,031	1,265	1,211	1,373	1,373	1,291	1,312	1,486
Part time for noneconomic reasons	11,368	11,529	10,254	10,368	10,499	10,469	9,928	10,396

¹ Excludes persons "with a job but not at work" during the survey period for such reasons as vacation, illness, or industrial disputes.

Table A-4. Duration of unemployment

[Numbers in thousands]

Weeks of unemployment	Not seasonally adjusted		Seasonally adjusted					
	May 1973	May 1974	May 1973	Jan. 1974	Feb. 1974	March 1974	April 1974	May 1974
Less than 5 weeks	1,871	2,094	2,251	2,466	2,427	2,464	2,269	2,520
5 to 14 weeks	1,024	1,080	1,287	1,437	1,426	1,388	1,467	1,358
15 weeks and over	904	970	818	768	830	815	857	877
15 to 26 weeks	531	593	470	440	505	503	528	525
27 weeks and over	373	377	348	328	325	312	329	352
Average (mean) duration, in weeks	11.2	10.6	10.0	9.4	9.6	9.4	9.8	9.5
PERCENT DISTRIBUTION								
Total unemployed	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Less than 5 weeks	49.2	50.5	51.7	52.8	51.8	52.8	49.4	53.0
5 to 14 weeks	27.0	26.1	29.5	30.8	30.5	29.7	31.9	28.6
15 weeks and over	23.8	23.4	18.8	16.4	17.7	17.5	18.7	18.4
15 to 26 weeks	14.0	14.3	10.8	9.4	10.8	10.8	11.5	11.0
27 weeks and over	9.8	9.1	8.0	7.0	6.9	6.7	7.2	7.4

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Table A-5. Reasons for unemployment

[Numbers in thousands]

Reason	Not seasonally adjusted		Seasonally adjusted					
	May 1973	May 1974	May 1973	Jan. 1974	Feb. 1974	March 1974	April 1974	May 1974
NUMBER OF UNEMPLOYED								
Lost last job	1,472	1,726	1,610	2,006	2,052	2,022	2,007	1,888
Left last job	520	566	621	731	750	739	720	676
Reentered labor force	1,236	1,313	1,505	1,252	1,240	1,186	1,263	1,599
Seeking first job	571	538	682	682	630	632	549	643
PERCENT DISTRIBUTION								
Total unemployed	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Job losers	38.7	41.7	35.7	42.9	43.9	44.2	44.2	39.3
Job leavers	13.7	13.7	13.5	15.6	16.1	16.1	15.9	14.1
Reentrants	32.5	31.7	33.7	26.8	26.5	25.9	27.8	33.3
New entrants	15.0	13.0	17.1	14.6	13.5	13.8	12.1	13.4
UNEMPLOYED AS A PERCENT OF THE CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE								
Job losers	1.7	1.9	1.8	2.2	2.3	2.2	2.2	2.1
Job leavers6	.6	.7	.8	.8	.8	.8	.7
Reentrants	1.4	1.5	1.7	1.4	1.4	1.3	1.4	1.8
New entrants7	.6	.8	.8	.7	.7	.6	.7

Table A-6. Unemployment by sex and age

Sex and age	Not seasonally adjusted			Seasonally adjusted unemployment rates					
	Thousands of persons		Percent looking for full-time work	May 1973	Jan. 1974	Feb. 1974	March 1974	April 1974	May 1974
	May 1973	May 1974							
Total, 16 years and over	3,799	4,144	80.5	4.9	5.2	5.2	5.1	5.0	5.2
16 to 19 years	986	1,082	62.1	15.1	15.6	15.3	15.0	13.8	15.8
16 to 17 years	496	510	41.8	18.1	19.4	17.9	18.4	15.7	18.1
18 to 19 years	490	572	80.2	13.0	13.3	12.9	12.7	12.5	14.3
20 to 24 years	919	1,043	88.9	7.9	8.5	8.6	8.1	8.1	8.6
25 years and over	1,893	2,019	85.9	3.1	3.2	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.2
25 to 54 years	1,557	1,661	88.3	3.2	3.4	3.5	3.4	3.6	3.3
55 years and over	337	359	74.7	2.5	2.8	2.9	2.7	2.6	2.7
Males, 16 years and over	2,052	2,147	85.5	4.3	4.4	4.5	4.4	4.5	4.4
16 to 19 years	521	559	62.6	14.3	14.1	14.6	14.4	14.0	14.6
16 to 17 years	275	281	43.4	17.8	18.8	18.0	17.6	16.3	18.0
18 to 19 years	246	278	82.4	11.8	11.2	11.6	12.1	12.4	12.2
20 to 24 years	490	552	91.1	7.7	7.9	8.3	7.9	7.8	8.3
25 years and over	1,040	1,037	94.7	2.6	2.7	2.8	2.7	2.9	2.6
25 to 54 years	821	839	98.6	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7	3.0	2.7
55 years and over	219	197	78.7	2.6	2.6	2.9	2.4	2.3	2.3
Females, 16 years and over	1,747	1,996	75.1	5.8	6.6	6.4	6.2	5.9	6.4
16 to 19 years	465	523	61.6	15.9	17.3	16.2	15.8	13.5	17.2
16 to 17 years	221	229	40.2	18.6	20.1	17.8	19.3	14.9	18.3
18 to 19 years	244	294	78.2	14.4	15.6	14.4	13.4	12.6	16.7
20 to 24 years	429	492	86.4	8.2	9.3	9.0	8.4	8.4	9.0
25 years and over	853	982	76.7	3.8	4.2	4.3	4.2	4.1	4.2
25 to 54 years	736	821	78.0	4.1	4.6	4.8	4.5	4.4	4.4
55 years and over	117	160	70.0	2.3	3.1	2.9	3.4	3.0	3.2

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

[in thousands]

Industry	Not seasonally adjusted				Seasonally adjusted					
	May 1973	March 1974	April 1974p	May 1974p	May 1973	Jan. 1974	Feb. 1974	March 1974	April 1974p	May 1974p
TOTAL	75,404	76,117	76,695	77,199	75,321	76,526	76,813	76,804	76,928	77,110
GOODS-PRODUCING	23,891	23,773	23,943	24,103	24,010	24,296	24,317	24,231	24,224	24,224
MINING	608	642	651	660	608	654	656	655	657	660
CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION	3,616	3,405	3,524	3,636	3,620	3,636	3,757	3,725	3,656	3,640
MANUFACTURING	19,667	19,726	19,768	19,807	19,782	20,006	19,904	19,851	19,911	19,924
<i>Production workers</i>	14,457	14,405	14,456	14,481	14,551	14,682	14,563	14,516	14,585	14,585
DURABLE GOODS	11,575	11,610	11,688	11,691	11,602	11,774	11,683	11,644	11,725	11,717
<i>Production workers</i>	8,514	8,459	8,543	8,536	8,528	8,624	8,524	8,489	8,574	8,555
Ordnance and accessories	191.2	191.2	198.7	190.6	193	192	191	193	192	192
Lumber and wood products	624.9	634.6	638.8	641.9	629	645	647	648	653	646
Furniture and fixtures	516.8	519.0	517.6	515.0	523	527	523	522	523	521
Stone, clay, and glass products	692.3	687.9	692.7	698.7	692	704	702	703	698	699
Primary metal industries	1,310.3	1,323.5	1,329.0	1,329.0	1,299	1,343	1,331	1,316	1,318	1,317
Fabricated metal products	1,448.3	1,443.1	1,447.3	1,443.6	1,456	1,466	1,454	1,449	1,456	1,451
Machinery, except electrical	2,022.7	2,146.8	2,145.6	2,137.5	2,021	2,133	2,123	2,134	2,135	2,135
Electrical equipment	1,970.0	2,022.5	2,023.8	2,012.7	1,984	2,051	2,043	2,033	2,036	2,027
Transportation equipment	1,876.7	1,689.7	1,745.5	1,758.7	1,877	1,753	1,706	1,681	1,746	1,759
Instruments and related products	488.4	519.2	522.1	522.1	490	516	521	521	524	524
Miscellaneous manufacturing	433.0	432.7	435.8	441.1	438	444	442	444	444	446
NONDURABLE GOODS	8,092	8,116	8,080	8,116	8,180	8,232	8,221	8,207	8,186	8,207
<i>Production workers</i>	5,943	5,946	5,913	5,945	6,023	6,058	6,039	6,027	6,011	6,030
Food and kindred products	1,673.4	1,686.4	1,669.2	1,690.7	1,736	1,754	1,755	1,764	1,750	1,754
Tobacco manufactures	67.6	70.6	69.9	69.7	76	76	76	77	78	78
Textile mill products	1,020.2	1,017.7	1,013.9	1,009.7	1,022	1,029	1,025	1,019	1,016	1,012
Apparel and other textile products	1,350.7	1,302.7	1,294.9	1,293.6	1,351	1,315	1,309	1,294	1,297	1,294
Paper and allied products	711.3	724.7	725.9	724.5	719	729	729	730	730	733
Printing and publishing	1,091.9	1,104.5	1,101.2	1,104.4	1,095	1,106	1,109	1,105	1,102	1,108
Chemicals and allied products	1,022.8	1,045.7	1,045.1	1,048.2	1,025	1,046	1,045	1,048	1,045	1,050
Petroleum and coal products	181.7	187.1	188.6	191.3	182	193	192	190	191	191
Rubber and plastics products, nec.	673.9	683.7	678.9	688.7	676	693	690	686	682	691
Leather and leather products	298.2	292.5	292.2	295.3	298	291	291	294	295	296
SERVICE-PRODUCING	51,513	52,344	52,752	53,096	51,311	52,230	52,496	52,573	52,704	52,886
TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC UTILITIES	4,593	4,634	4,630	4,667	4,593	4,684	4,691	4,676	4,663	4,667
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	16,200	16,187	16,422	16,522	16,256	16,417	16,472	16,487	16,542	16,581
WHOLESALE TRADE	4,014	4,148	4,155	4,180	4,046	4,184	4,192	4,190	4,201	4,214
RETAIL TRADE	12,186	12,039	12,267	12,342	12,210	12,233	12,280	12,297	12,341	12,367
FINANCE, INSURANCE, AND REAL ESTATE	4,040	4,102	4,123	4,147	4,044	4,109	4,124	4,127	4,135	4,151
SERVICES	12,865	13,147	13,287	13,418	12,776	13,136	13,215	13,240	13,260	13,325
GOVERNMENT	13,815	14,274	14,290	14,342	13,642	13,884	13,944	14,043	14,104	14,162
FEDERAL	2,638	2,667	2,684	2,692	2,641	2,651	2,670	2,675	2,681	2,695
STATE AND LOCAL	11,177	11,607	11,606	11,650	11,001	11,233	11,324	11,368	11,423	11,467

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

Industry	Not seasonally adjusted				Seasonally adjusted					
	May 1973	March 1974	April 1974p	May 1974p	May 1973	Jan. 1974	Feb. 1974	March 1974	April 1974p	May 1974p
TOTAL PRIVATE	37.0	36.6	36.3	36.6	37.2	36.7	37.0	36.8	36.6	36.8
MINING	42.4	42.4	42.4	42.9	42.5	42.6	43.4	42.9	42.4	43.0
CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION	37.5	36.7	36.1	36.9	37.5	36.2	37.7	37.1	36.3	36.9
MANUFACTURING	40.7	40.3	39.2	40.3	40.7	40.3	40.5	40.4	39.4	40.3
<i>Overtime hours</i>	3.8	3.4	2.7	3.4	3.9	3.4	3.5	3.6	2.9	3.5
DURABLE GOODS	41.6	40.9	39.6	41.0	41.6	40.8	41.1	40.9	39.8	41.0
<i>Overtime hours</i>	4.1	3.6	2.7	3.6	4.2	3.5	3.6	3.7	2.9	3.7
Ordnance and accessories	41.9	42.9	41.5	42.5	41.9	41.9	42.1	42.7	41.5	42.5
Lumber and wood products	41.0	40.2	40.1	40.7	40.7	40.4	40.6	40.3	40.1	40.4
Furniture and fixtures	39.8	39.2	38.4	39.0	40.1	39.8	39.7	39.5	38.9	39.3
Stone, clay, and glass products	42.4	41.5	41.0	41.5	42.3	41.6	41.9	41.7	41.1	41.4
Primary metal industries	42.1	41.7	41.5	41.9	41.9	41.8	41.4	41.5	41.2	41.7
Fabricated metal products	41.7	41.1	39.4	41.3	41.6	41.0	41.2	41.3	39.7	41.2
Machinery, except electrical	42.6	42.7	40.7	42.5	42.6	42.3	42.5	42.4	40.8	42.5
Electrical equipment	40.5	39.9	38.8	40.1	40.6	39.6	40.2	39.9	39.1	40.2
Transportation equipment	42.3	40.3	38.1	40.5	42.1	40.0	40.6	40.3	39.0	40.3
Instruments and related products	40.6	40.5	39.3	40.5	40.7	40.6	40.8	40.5	39.4	40.6
Miscellaneous manufacturing	39.0	38.9	37.7	38.9	39.1	38.3	39.0	38.9	37.7	39.0
NONDURABLE GOODS	39.5	39.3	38.5	39.3	39.6	39.6	39.6	39.5	38.8	39.4
<i>Overtime hours</i>	3.3	3.1	2.6	3.1	3.4	3.4	3.3	3.3	2.8	3.2
Food and kindred products	40.2	39.9	39.2	40.5	40.4	40.8	40.8	40.4	39.8	40.7
Tobacco manufactures	37.6	36.4	37.4	37.1	37.9	39.5	38.8	37.7	38.6	37.4
Textile mill products	40.7	40.3	38.9	40.1	40.9	40.6	40.7	40.4	39.2	40.3
Apparel and other textile products ..	35.9	35.6	34.5	35.5	36.0	35.2	35.6	35.5	34.6	35.6
Paper and allied products	42.6	42.3	41.5	42.3	42.8	42.8	42.5	42.6	41.7	42.5
Printing and publishing	37.9	37.6	36.9	37.5	38.0	37.7	37.7	37.6	37.1	37.6
Chemicals and allied products	42.0	41.8	42.1	41.5	42.0	41.8	42.0	41.8	41.9	41.5
Petroleum and coal products	42.3	42.2	42.8	42.6	42.1	42.5	42.6	42.8	42.7	42.4
Rubber and plastics products, nec ..	40.8	40.6	39.2	40.1	40.8	40.6	40.9	40.8	39.4	40.1
Leather and leather products	38.1	37.8	36.6	38.1	37.9	37.2	37.8	38.1	37.3	37.9
TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC UTILITIES	40.7	40.1	40.6	40.4	41.0	40.8	40.4	40.3	41.1	40.7
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	34.5	34.0	34.1	34.0	34.8	34.3	34.4	34.3	34.5	34.3
WHOLESALE TRADE	39.5	38.8	38.6	38.8	39.7	39.1	38.9	38.9	38.8	39.0
RETAIL TRADE	33.0	32.4	32.7	32.5	33.4	32.8	33.0	32.9	33.1	32.9
FINANCE, INSURANCE, AND REAL ESTATE	36.9	36.9	36.8	36.8	37.0	36.9	37.0	36.9	36.8	36.9
SERVICES	33.9	33.9	33.8	33.8	34.2	34.0	34.1	34.0	33.9	34.1

¹ Data relate to production workers in mining and manufacturing; to construction workers in contract construction; and to nonsupervisory workers in transportation and public utilities; wholesale and retail trade; finance, insurance, and real estate; and services. These groups account for approximately four-fifths of the total employment on private nonagricultural payrolls. p=preliminary.

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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			
	May 1973	March 1974	April 1974p	May 1974p	May 1973	March 1974	April 1974p	May 1974p
TOTAL PRIVATE	\$3.85	\$4.06	\$4.07	\$4.14	\$142.45	\$148.60	\$147.74	\$151.52
<i>Seasonally adjusted</i>	3.85	4.07	4.08	4.14	143.22	149.78	149.33	152.35
MINING	4.61	4.99	5.07	5.08	195.46	211.58	214.97	217.93
CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION	6.34	6.75	6.78	6.81	237.75	247.73	244.76	251.29
MANUFACTURING	4.02	4.24	4.24	4.32	163.61	170.87	166.21	174.10
DURABLE GOODS	4.28	4.50	4.50	4.60	178.05	184.05	178.20	188.60
Ordnance and accessories	4.23	4.53	4.53	4.61	177.24	194.34	188.00	195.93
Lumber and wood products	3.54	3.74	3.76	3.80	145.14	150.35	150.78	154.66
Furniture and fixtures	3.24	3.41	3.42	3.48	128.95	133.67	131.32	135.72
Stone, clay, and glass products	4.14	4.33	4.38	4.44	175.54	179.70	179.58	184.26
Primary metal industries	4.95	5.30	5.38	5.50	208.40	221.01	223.27	230.45
Fabricated metal products	4.21	4.43	4.40	4.52	175.56	182.07	173.36	186.68
Machinery, except electrical	4.50	4.78	4.73	4.85	191.70	204.11	192.51	206.13
Electrical equipment	3.81	3.99	3.99	4.07	154.31	159.20	154.81	163.21
Transportation equipment	5.00	5.27	5.25	5.41	211.50	212.38	200.03	219.11
Instruments and related products	3.86	4.06	4.05	4.10	156.72	164.43	159.17	166.05
Miscellaneous manufacturing	3.26	3.43	3.43	3.47	127.14	133.43	129.31	134.98
NONDURABLE GOODS	3.64	3.85	3.86	3.91	143.78	151.31	148.61	153.66
Food and kindred products	3.82	4.05	4.07	4.12	153.56	161.60	159.54	166.86
Tobacco manufactures	3.84	4.01	4.11	4.20	144.38	145.96	153.71	155.82
Textile mill products	2.90	3.07	3.04	3.10	118.03	123.72	118.26	124.31
Apparel and other textile products	2.74	2.87	2.89	2.95	98.37	102.17	99.71	104.73
Paper and allied products	4.12	4.33	4.35	4.38	175.51	183.16	180.53	185.27
Printing and publishing	4.67	4.85	4.84	4.92	176.99	182.36	178.60	184.50
Chemicals and allied products	4.42	4.65	4.69	4.70	185.64	194.37	197.45	195.05
Petroleum and coal products	5.22	5.42	5.54	5.49	220.81	228.72	237.11	233.87
Rubber and plastics products, nec	3.71	3.93	3.86	3.92	151.37	159.56	151.31	157.19
Leather and leather products	2.80	2.94	2.95	3.01	106.68	111.13	107.97	114.68
TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC UTILITIES	4.96	5.23	5.28	5.31	201.87	209.72	214.37	214.52
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	3.17	3.38	3.38	3.43	109.37	114.92	115.26	116.62
WHOLESALE TRADE	4.09	4.33	4.37	4.40	161.56	168.00	168.68	170.72
RETAIL TRADE	2.84	3.01	3.01	3.07	93.72	97.52	98.43	99.78
FINANCE, INSURANCE, AND REAL ESTATE	3.57	3.75	3.76	3.78	131.73	138.38	138.37	139.10
SERVICES	3.32	3.54	3.56	3.60	112.55	120.01	120.33	121.68

¹ See footnote 1, table B-2.
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Table B-4. Hourly Earnings Index for production or nonsupervisory workers in private nonfarm industries, seasonally adjusted

[1967=100]

Industry	May 1973	Dec. 1973	Jan. 1974	Feb. 1974	March 1974	April 1974 ^p	May 1974 ^p	Percent change from	
								May 1973- May 1974	April 1974- May 1974
TOTAL PRIVATE NONFARM:									
Current dollars	144.7	151.3	151.7	152.5	153.5	154.5	155.9	7.7	0.9
Constant (1967) dollars	110.1	109.2	108.4	107.6	107.2	107.3	NA	<u>1</u> / ³	<u>2</u> / ³
MINING	144.8	152.1	154.2	154.8	156.1	157.7	158.6	9.5	.6
CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION	153.7	161.2	160.5	162.5	163.6	164.6	164.6	7.1	<u>3</u> / ³
MANUFACTURING	141.8	147.9	148.5	149.3	150.1	151.4	153.2	8.0	1.2
TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC UTILITIES	153.5	160.2	161.1	162.2	163.0	164.4	164.7	7.3	.2
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	141.7	147.9	148.8	149.1	150.4	150.9	153.1	8.0	1.5
FINANCE, INSURANCE, AND REAL ESTATE	138.5	145.5	145.2	145.2	145.5	146.9	147.5	6.5	.4
SERVICES	144.7	151.3	152.1	152.9	153.8	155.2	156.5	8.1	.9

¹ Percent change was -2.9 from April 1973 to April 1974, the latest month available.² Percent change was 0.1 from March 1974 to April 1974, the latest month available.³ Less than 0.05 percent.

N.A.= not available.

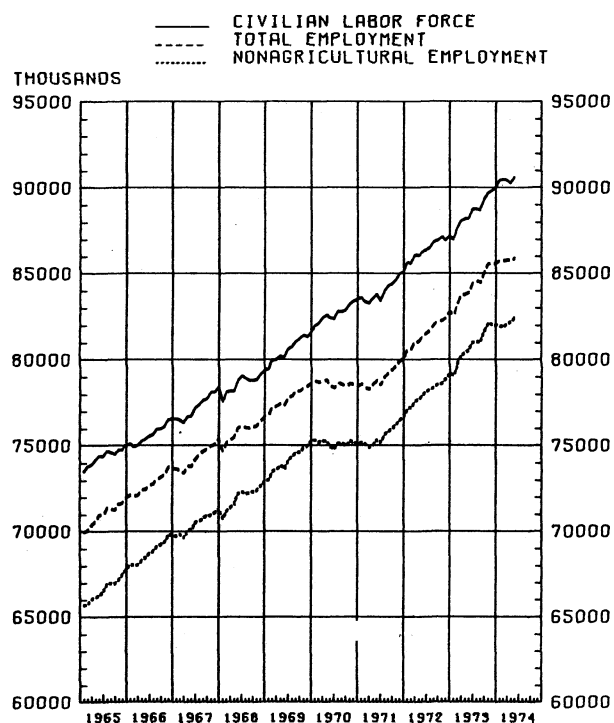
p=preliminary.

NOTE: All series are in current dollars except where indicated. The index excludes effects of two types of changes that are unrelated to underlying wage-rate developments: Fluctuations in overtime premiums in manufacturing (the only sector for which overtime data are available) and the effects of changes in the proportion of workers in high-wage and low-wage industries. The seasonal adjustment eliminates the effect of changes that normally occur at the same time and in about the same magnitude each year.

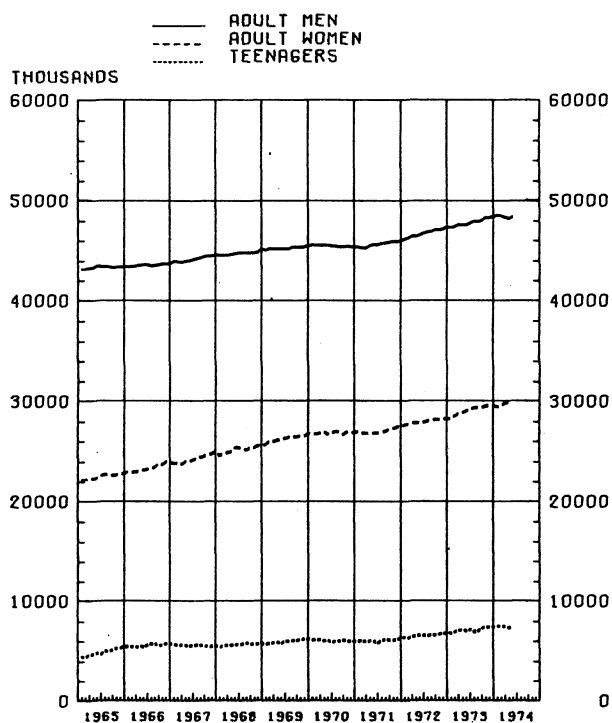
The constant dollars hourly earnings index series may have been revised, reflecting the calculation of new seasonal adjustment factors for the Consumer Price Index. The revised historical series will be published in the June 1974 issue of *Employment and Earnings*.

LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT, UNEMPLOYMENT HOUSEHOLD DATA - SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

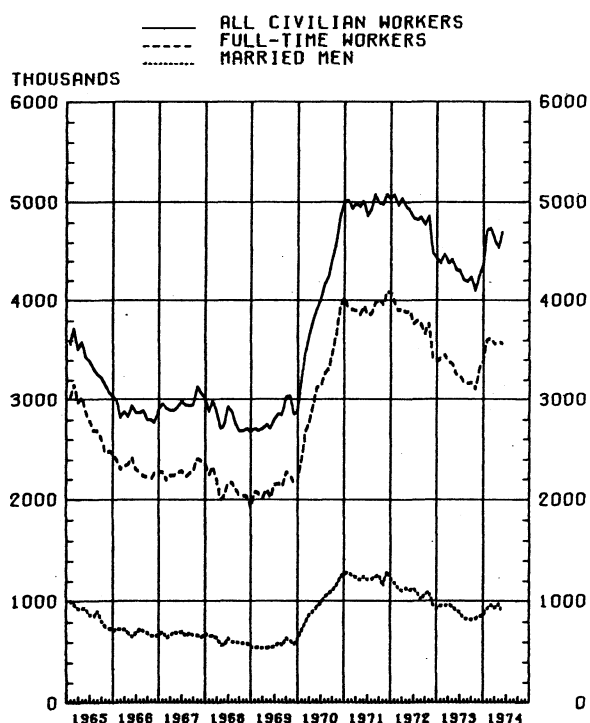
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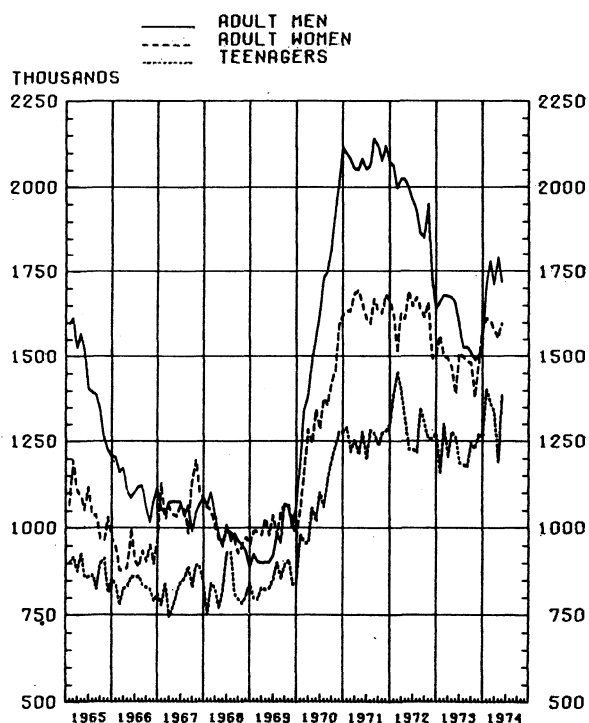
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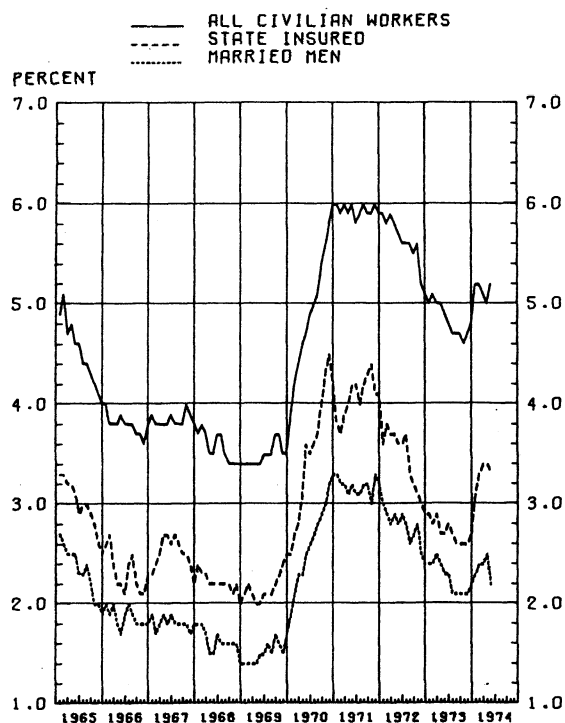


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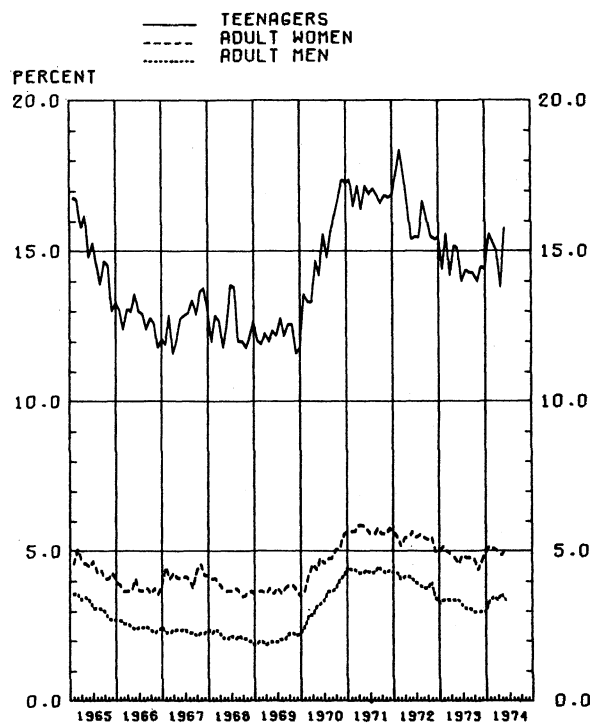


UNEMPLOYMENT RATES HOUSEHOLD DATA - SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

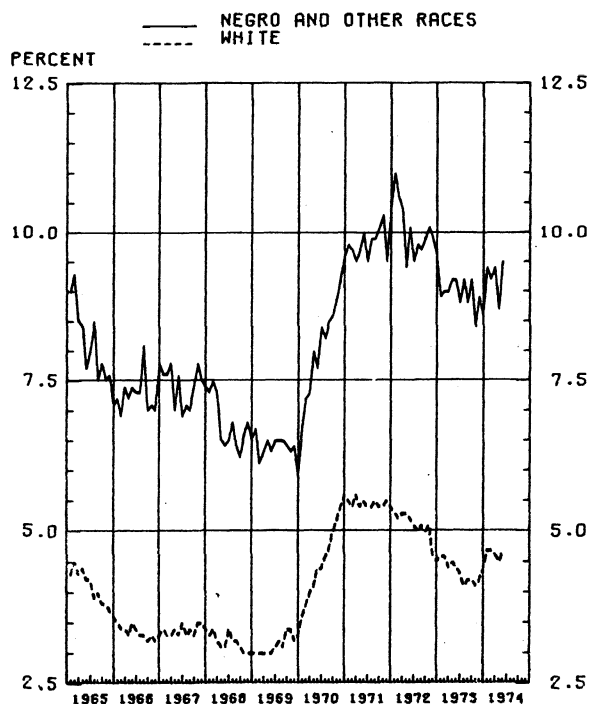
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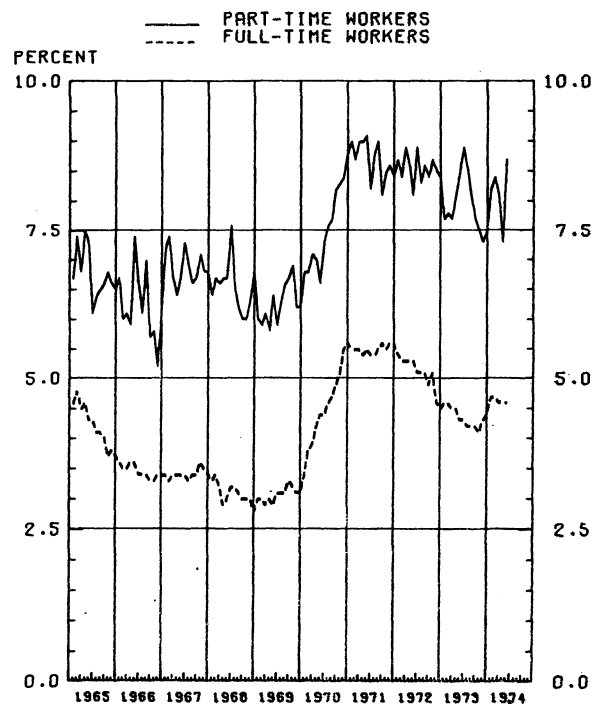
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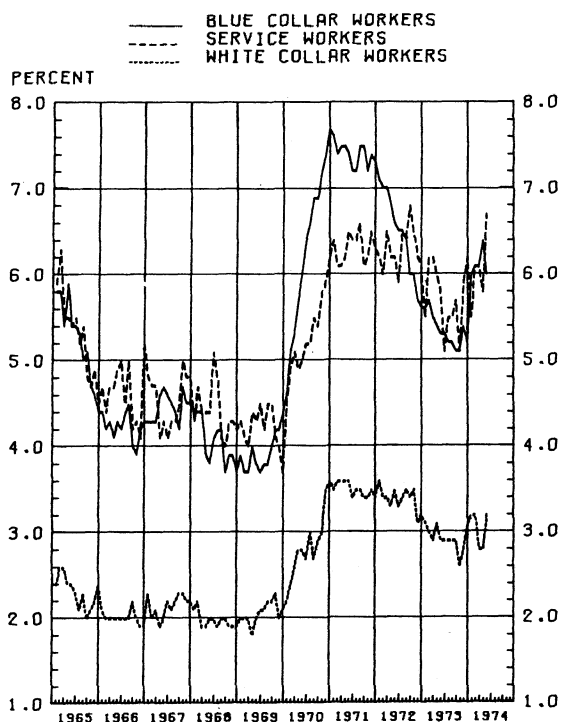
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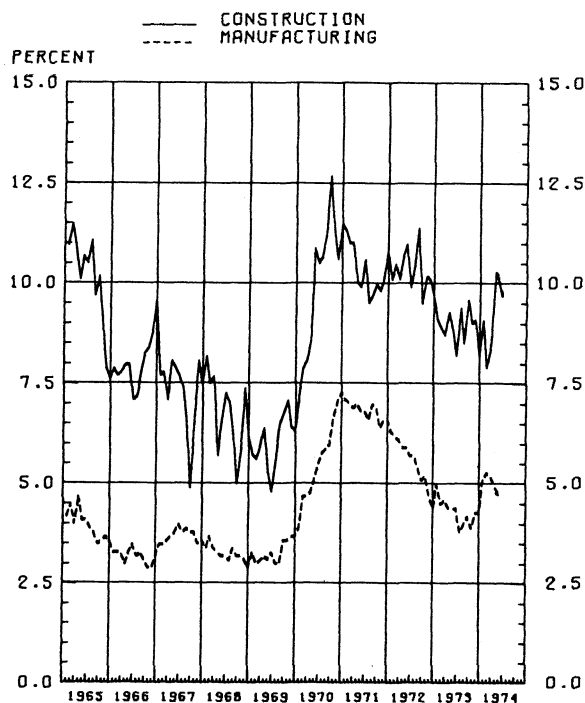
* State insured unemployment rate pertains to the week including the 12th of the month and represents the insured unemployed under State programs as a percent of average covered employment. The figures are derived from administrative records of unemployment insurance systems.

UNEMPLOYMENT HOUSEHOLD DATA - SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

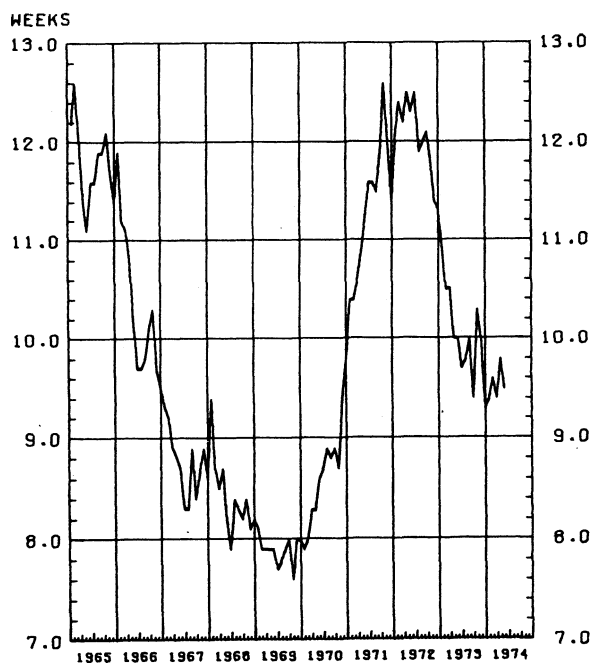
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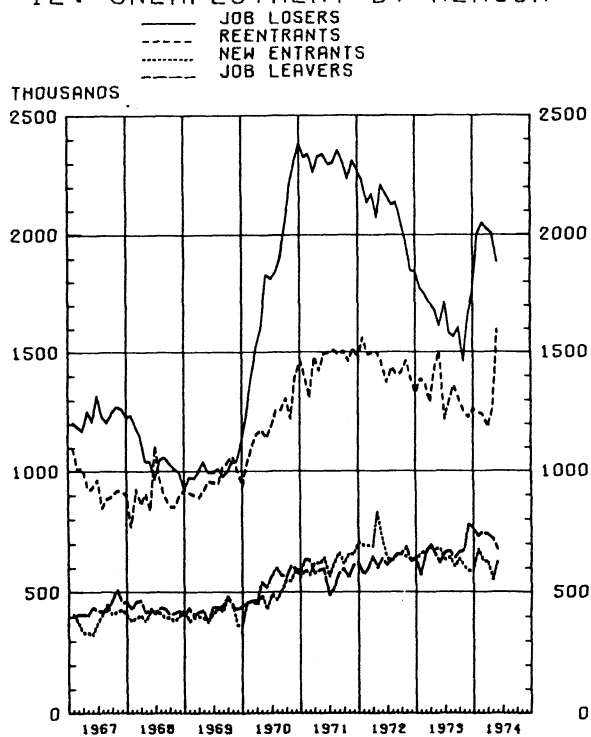
10. UNEMPLOYMENT RATES



11. AVERAGE DURATION
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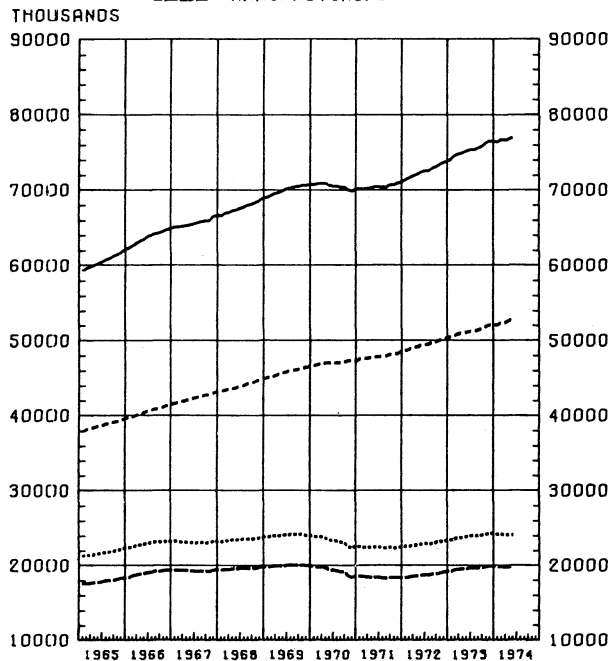
12. UNEMPLOYMENT BY REASON



NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT AND HOURS ESTABLISHMENT DATA - SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

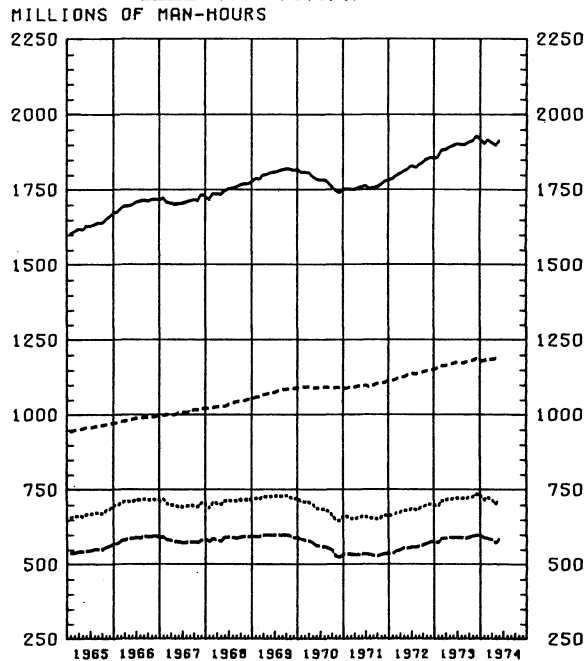
13. EMPLOYMENT

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- - - MANUFACTURING



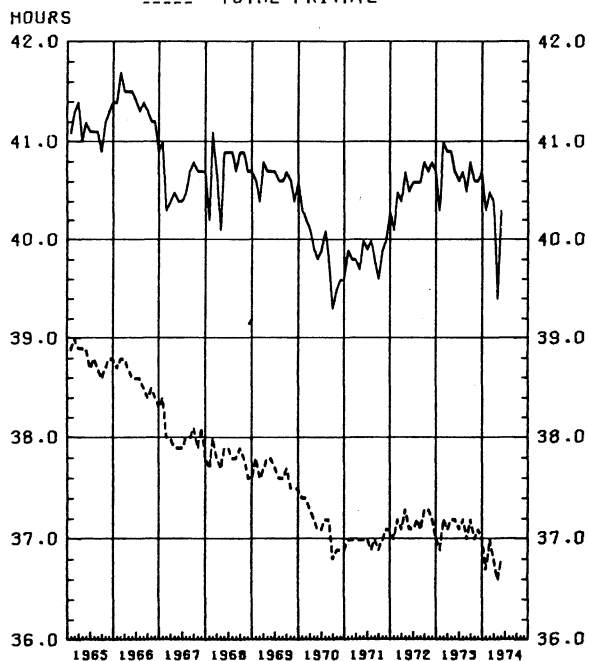
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— TOTAL PRIVATE NONAGRICULTURAL
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- - - MANUFACTURING

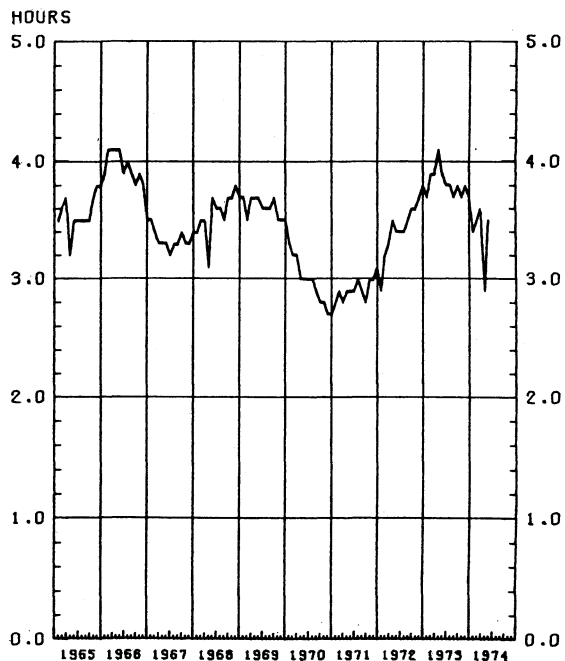


15. AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS

— MANUFACTURING
- - - TOTAL PRIVATE



16. AVERAGE WEEKLY OVERTIME HOURS IN MANUFACTURING



NOTE: Charts 14 and 15 relate to production or nonsupervisory workers; chart 16 relates to production workers. Data for the 2 most recent months are preliminary in charts 13-16.