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### THE EMPLOYMENT SITUATION: SEPTEMBER 1974

Widespread increases in unemployment raised the Nation's unemployment rate to 5.8 percent in September compared with 5.4 percent in August, it was reported today by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U. S. Department of Labor. Since last October, when the unemployment rate had receded to a 3-1/2-year low, the number of unemployed persons has risen by 1.2 million.

Total employment (as measured by the monthly sample survey of households) increased in September, with the rise over the past year--1.4 million--only half as large as that recorded over the preceding year.

Nonfarm payroll employment (as measured by the monthly survey of business establishments) was virtually unchanged in September at 77.1 million. The number of payroll jobs has risen by 1.2 million over the past year and has shown little change since May.

#### Unemployment

The number of persons unemployed rose by 440,000 in September to a total of 5.3 million (seasonally adjusted). Unemployment rose somewhat for men aged 25-54, but the largest increases took place among women 25 and over and teenagers, particularly among 18-19 year-old males. (See table A-6.) Declining college attendance among young men, coupled with the slower growth in jobs, contributed to rising youth unemployment.

The overall unemployment rate was 5.8 percent in September, up 1.2 percentage points from October 1973. Over this time span, each of the three major age-sex groups were substantially affected; the jobless rate for adult males rose from 3.0 to 3.9 percent, that of adult females from 4.4 to 5.7 percent, and the teenage rate from 14.0 to 16.7 percent.

More than half of the September rise in unemployment occurred among workers who had lost their last job. The number of job losers rose by 250,000 over the month

to 2.2 million. The number of jobless workers who had reentered the labor force or who were seeking their first job also increased over the month. (See table A-5.)

Among the other major labor force groups, the jobless rate for full-time workers rose from 4.8 percent in August to 5.3 percent in September, and the rate for household heads moved up from 3.1 to 3.4 percent. The unemployment rate for married men was 2.8 percent in September, compared with 2.6 percent in August.

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

Selected categories	Quarterly averages					Monthly data		
	1973		1974			July 1974	Aug. 1974	Sept. 1974
	III	IV	I	II	III			
	(Millions of persons)							
Civilian labor force .....	89.0	89.9	90.5	90.6	91.4	91.2	91.1	91.9
Total employment .....	84.8	85.7	85.8	86.0	86.3	86.3	86.2	86.5
Adult men .....	48.1	48.5	48.5	48.4	48.5	48.4	48.5	48.6
Adult women .....	29.5	29.7	29.7	30.1	30.5	30.7	30.5	30.3
Teenagers .....	7.2	7.6	7.6	7.4	7.3	7.2	7.2	7.6
Unemployment .....	4.2	4.2	4.7	4.7	5.0	4.9	4.9	5.3
	(Percent of labor force)							
Unemployment rates:								
All workers .....	4.7	4.7	5.2	5.1	5.5	5.3	5.4	5.8
Adult men .....	3.1	3.0	3.5	3.5	3.7	3.5	3.8	3.9
Adult women .....	4.8	4.7	5.1	5.0	5.4	5.2	5.2	5.7
Teenagers .....	14.3	14.3	15.3	15.1	16.1	16.2	15.3	16.7
White .....	4.2	4.2	4.7	4.7	5.0	4.8	4.8	5.3
Negro and other races .....	9.0	8.6	9.4	9.0	9.5	9.4	9.2	9.8
Household heads .....	2.7	2.8	3.0	3.1	3.2	3.0	3.1	3.4
Married men .....	2.1	2.1	2.4	2.4	2.7	2.6	2.6	2.8
Full-time workers .....	4.2	4.3	4.6	4.6	5.0	4.8	4.8	5.3
State insured .....	2.6	2.6	3.3	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.3	3.4
	(Weeks)							
Average duration of unemployment .....	9.7	9.9	9.5	9.7	9.9	10.1	10.0	9.6
	(Millions of persons)							
Nonfarm payroll employment .....	75.7	76.6	76.7	77.1	77.1p	77.0	77.1p	77.1p
Goods-producing industries .....	24.2	24.4	24.3	24.2	24.1p	24.1	24.1p	24.0p
Service-producing industries .....	51.6	52.1	52.4	52.8	53.0p	52.9	53.1p	53.1p
	(Hours of work)							
Average weekly hours:								
Total private nonfarm .....	37.1	37.0	36.8	36.7	36.7p	36.7	36.6p	36.8p
Manufacturing .....	40.7	40.6	40.4	39.9	40.1p	40.2	40.1p	40.1p
Manufacturing overtime .....	3.8	3.7	3.5	3.2	3.3p	3.4	3.3p	3.1p
	(1967=100)							
Hourly Earnings Index, private nonfarm:								
In current dollars .....	147.8	150.4	152.6	156.4	160.6p	159.3	160.6p	162.1p
In constant dollars .....	110.1	109.3	107.7	107.5	N.A.	107.6	107.0p	N.A.

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

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

The jobless rate for workers covered by State unemployment insurance programs, at 3.4 percent in September, remained at about the same level that has prevailed since early in the year but was up from 2.6 percent last October. (See table A-2.)

For white workers, the jobless rate rose from 4.8 to 5.3 percent as a result of increases among adult women and teenagers. The unemployment rate for black workers (Negro and other races) was 9.8 percent, compared with 9.2 percent in August.

Increases in joblessness were registered among both white-collar and blue-collar workers, whose rates rose to 3.5 and 6.8 percent, respectively. Among the major industry groups, there were sizeable jobless hikes among workers in construction, manufacturing, and wholesale and retail trade. At 12.4 percent, the unemployment rate of construction workers was at its highest point in 4 years.

The unemployment rate for Vietnam-era veterans 20-34 years old, at 5.2 percent in September, was about unchanged over the month and was not significantly different from the jobless rate of their nonveteran counterparts (5.7 percent). The most recently discharged veterans (those 20 to 24 years old), however, continued to experience higher unemployment than young nonveterans. Their jobless rate was 12.4 percent, compared with 8.0 percent for 20-24 year-old nonveterans. On the other hand, the unemployment rates for older veteran groups were either about the same or below those of nonveterans of the same ages. (See table A-2.)

As often happens at the time of a sharp increase in unemployment, the average duration of unemployment edged down in September. It moved from 10.0 to 9.6 weeks, as the bulk of the increase in joblessness was accounted for by workers unemployed for less than 15 weeks. (See table A-4.)

#### Civilian Labor Force and Total Employment

The civilian labor force usually declines substantially in September. This year, the actual decline was much less than expected on the basis of past experience, and the labor force increased sharply on a seasonally adjusted basis, rising by almost 800,000 to a level of 91.9 million. Teenagers accounted for 700,000 of the advance, a development which may stem in part from reduced college attendance and the consequent greater labor market participation of youth who otherwise would have been full-time students.

Since September 1973, the civilian labor force has expanded by 2.4 million. This growth was paced by adult women, who accounted for 1.2 million of the year-to-year gain, with adult males and teenagers making up 860,000 and 400,000, respectively.

Total employment rose by 350, 000 from August to September, as an unusually large increase in the number of employed teenagers more than offset a decline among adult women. Since September a year ago, the employment total was up by only 1. 4 million, exactly half the year-to-year gain registered over the previous year.

The number of nonagricultural workers employed part time for economic reasons--that is, those persons who want full-time jobs but are forced to work shorter hours due to such factors as slack work, material shortages, or the inability to find full-time work--rose by 310, 000 in September to 2. 8 million. This was the highest level in this measure of "partial unemployment" since the first half of 1961. This increase, when coupled with the rise in unemployment, led to a large upswing in the percent of labor force time lost--from 5. 8 to 6. 4 percent. (Labor force time lost is a measure of the man-hours lost by the unemployed and those working part time for economic reasons as a percent of potentially available labor force man-hours.)

NOTE ON NEW QUARTERLY PRESS RELEASE

A new press release--Labor Force Developments--will be issued quarterly beginning October 15. It will replace the section on "Quarterly Labor Force Developments" that was formerly included four times a year in this release (at the end of each calendar quarter). The new press release will continue to contain an analysis of overall labor force, employment, and unemployment trends, persons not in the labor force, persons of Spanish origin, and black-white developments. In addition, it will regularly include Vietnam-era veterans data, in lieu of the Bureau's quarterly press release for this group, and data on poverty-area residents.

### Industry Payroll Employment

Nonagricultural payroll employment, at 77.1 million in September, has remained substantially unchanged since May (seasonally adjusted). Neither the goods-producing nor the service-producing sectors showed a marked change from August to September. (See table B-1.) Employment levels in September remained high as a result of a large net reduction in strike activity (persons on strike are not counted as employed in the establishment survey).

Within the goods-producing sector, the durable goods manufacturing industries posted a small gain in September, due to the reduction in strike activity, while non-durable manufacturing employment declined slightly. Contract construction employment fell by 50,000, a reflection of considerably reduced building activity; construction jobs have declined by 255,000 since February 1974.

Employment in the service-producing industries, which has shown uncharacteristically slow growth in the past few months, was relatively unchanged in September. The only job gains took place in State and local government and finance, insurance, and real estate.

### Hours of Work

The average workweek for production or nonsupervisory workers on private nonagricultural payrolls rose 0.2 hour in September to a seasonally adjusted level of 36.8 hours. (See table B-2.) Despite this movement, however, weekly hours have been essentially stable since March. Total manufacturing hours remained at 40.1 hours, and factory overtime fell by 0.2 hour. Since September 1973, both the factory workweek and overtime hours have been reduced by 0.7 hour.

### Hourly and Weekly Earnings

Average hourly earnings of production or nonsupervisory workers on private nonagricultural payrolls rose 0.9 percent (seasonally adjusted) in September. (See table B-3.) Since September 1973, hourly earnings have advanced 8.3 percent. Because of the rise in average hours as well as the increased hourly earnings, average weekly earnings increased by 1.5 percent over the month. Weekly earnings were up 7.2 percent since September a year ago, with four-fifths of the rise taking place in the last 5 months.

Before adjustment for seasonality, average hourly earnings rose by 8 cents in September to \$4.32. (See table B-3.) Large increases in hourly earnings are typical at this time of year, because many young people leave lower-paying summer jobs. Since September 1973, hourly earnings have advanced by 33 cents. Weekly

earnings averaged \$159.41 in September, an increase of \$2.11 from August and \$10.58 from September of last year.

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 162.1 (1967=100) in September, 0.9 percent higher than in August. The Index was 8.8 percent above September a year ago. During the 12-month period ended in August, the Hourly Earnings Index in dollars of constant purchasing power declined 2.1 percent. (See table B-4.)

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					
	Sept. 1973	Aug. 1974	Sept. 1974	Sept. 1973	May 1974	June 1974	July 1974	Aug. 1974	Sept. 1974
<b>TOTAL</b>									
Total noninstitutional population <sup>1</sup>	148,782	151,135	151,367	148,782	150,507	150,710	150,922	151,135	151,367
Total labor force	91,298	94,679	93,661	91,664	92,909	93,130	93,387	93,281	94,067
Civilian noninstitutional population <sup>1</sup>	146,491	148,916	149,150	146,491	148,277	148,499	148,701	148,916	149,150
Civilian labor force	89,006	92,459	91,444	89,373	90,679	90,919	91,167	91,061	91,850
Employed	84,841	87,575	86,242	85,133	85,971	86,165	86,312	86,187	86,538
Agriculture	3,436	3,851	3,563	3,376	3,457	3,293	3,405	3,443	3,511
Nonagricultural industries	81,406	83,724	82,679	81,757	82,514	82,872	82,907	82,744	83,027
Unemployed	4,165	4,885	5,202	4,240	4,708	4,754	4,855	4,874	5,312
Unemployment rate	4.7	5.3	5.7	4.7	5.2	5.2	5.3	5.4	5.8
Not in labor force	57,484	56,456	57,706	57,118	57,598	57,580	57,534	57,855	57,300
<b>Males, 20 years and over</b>									
Total noninstitutional population <sup>1</sup>	63,047	64,064	64,181	63,047	63,804	63,886	63,973	64,064	64,181
Total labor force	51,610	52,642	52,371	51,523	52,031	52,034	52,001	52,189	52,343
Civilian noninstitutional population <sup>1</sup>	61,175	62,273	62,405	61,175	62,000	62,097	62,176	62,273	62,405
Civilian labor force	49,738	50,850	50,595	49,651	50,227	50,245	50,205	50,397	50,567
Employed	48,426	49,084	48,907	48,138	48,508	48,483	48,428	48,506	48,620
Agriculture	2,528	2,634	2,574	2,472	2,494	2,420	2,470	2,516	2,516
Nonagricultural industries	45,898	46,450	46,334	45,666	46,014	46,063	45,958	45,990	46,104
Unemployed	1,312	1,766	1,688	1,513	1,719	1,762	1,777	1,891	1,947
Unemployment rate	2.6	3.5	3.3	3.0	3.4	3.5	3.5	3.8	3.9
Not in labor force	11,437	11,423	11,810	11,524	11,773	11,852	11,971	11,876	11,838
<b>Females, 20 years and over</b>									
Civilian noninstitutional population <sup>1</sup>	69,494	70,549	70,638	69,494	70,247	70,346	70,448	70,549	70,638
Civilian labor force	31,100	31,497	32,284	30,999	31,651	31,944	32,404	32,216	32,135
Employed	29,456	29,672	30,248	29,517	30,051	30,314	30,716	30,528	30,301
Agriculture	539	570	521	500	507	469	537	495	483
Nonagricultural industries	28,917	29,102	29,728	29,017	29,544	29,845	30,179	30,033	29,818
Unemployed	1,644	1,825	2,036	1,482	1,600	1,630	1,688	1,688	1,834
Unemployment rate	5.3	5.8	6.3	4.8	5.1	5.1	5.2	5.2	5.7
Not in labor force	38,395	39,052	38,353	38,495	38,596	38,402	38,044	38,333	38,503
<b>Both sexes, 16-19 years</b>									
Civilian noninstitutional population <sup>1</sup>	15,822	16,094	16,107	15,822	16,030	16,056	16,077	16,094	16,107
Civilian labor force	8,169	10,112	8,565	8,723	8,801	8,730	8,558	8,448	9,148
Employed	6,960	8,819	7,086	7,478	7,412	7,368	7,168	7,153	7,617
Agriculture	369	646	468	404	456	398	398	432	512
Nonagricultural industries	6,591	8,172	6,618	7,074	6,956	6,964	6,770	6,721	7,105
Unemployed	1,209	1,294	1,478	1,245	1,389	1,362	1,390	1,295	1,531
Unemployment rate	14.8	12.8	17.3	14.3	15.8	15.6	16.2	15.3	16.7
Not in labor force	7,652	5,982	7,543	7,099	7,229	7,326	7,519	7,646	6,959
<b>WHITE</b>									
Civilian noninstitutional population <sup>1</sup>	129,727	131,636	131,828	129,727	131,114	131,293	131,457	131,636	131,828
Civilian labor force	78,933	81,858	81,100	79,211	80,488	80,565	80,873	80,765	81,421
Employed	75,689	77,949	76,900	75,881	76,694	76,738	76,986	76,856	77,108
Unemployed	3,244	3,909	4,200	3,330	3,794	3,827	3,887	3,909	4,313
Unemployment rate	4.1	4.8	5.2	4.2	4.7	4.8	4.8	4.8	5.3
Not in labor force	50,794	49,778	50,728	50,516	50,626	50,728	50,584	50,871	50,407
<b>NEGRO AND OTHER RACES</b>									
Civilian noninstitutional population <sup>1</sup>	16,764	17,280	17,322	16,764	17,164	17,206	17,245	17,280	17,322
Civilian labor force	10,073	10,601	10,344	10,156	10,292	10,286	10,269	10,294	10,440
Employed	9,152	9,626	9,342	9,222	9,315	9,376	9,301	9,343	9,416
Unemployed	921	975	1,002	934	977	910	968	951	1,024
Unemployment rate	9.1	9.2	9.7	9.2	9.5	8.8	9.4	9.2	9.8
Not in labor force	6,690	6,679	6,978	6,608	6,872	6,920	6,976	6,986	6,882

<sup>1</sup> 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.

c=corrected.

Table A-2. Major unemployment indicators, seasonally adjusted

Selected categories	Number of unemployed persons (in thousands)		Unemployment rates					
	Sept. 1973	Sept. 1974	Sept. 1973	May 1974	June 1974	July 1974	Aug. 1974	Sept. 1974
	Total, 16 years and over	4,240	5,312	4.7	5.2	5.2	5.3	5.4
Males, 20 years and over	1,513	1,947	3.0	3.4	3.5	3.5	3.8	3.9
Females, 20 years and over	1,482	1,834	4.8	5.1	5.1	5.2	5.2	5.7
Both sexes, 16-19 years	1,245	1,531	14.3	15.8	15.6	16.2	15.3	16.7
White, total	3,330	4,313	4.2	4.7	4.8	4.8	4.8	5.3
Males, 20 years and over	1,237	1,603	2.8	3.1	3.2	3.3	3.5	3.5
Females, 20 years and over	1,146	1,473	4.3	4.7	4.8	4.8	4.8	5.3
Both sexes, 16-19 years	947	1,237	12.2	14.0	13.9	13.9	13.3	15.2
Negro and other races, total	934	1,024	9.2	9.5	8.8	9.4	9.2	9.8
Males, 20 years and over	274	342	5.4	6.3	6.5	5.9	6.3	6.7
Females, 20 years and over	332	357	8.1	8.0	6.9	8.0	8.0	8.3
Both sexes, 16-19 years	328	325	33.7	33.5	30.3	35.3	31.4	32.4
Household heads	1,381	1,806	2.7	3.0	3.1	3.0	3.1	3.4
Married men, spouse present	829	1,106	2.1	2.2	2.6	2.6	2.6	2.8
Full-time workers	3,185	4,133	4.2	4.6	4.7	4.8	4.8	5.3
Part-time workers	1,029	1,176	7.7	8.8	8.9	8.6	8.7	8.8
Unemployed 15 weeks and over <sup>1</sup>	768	614	.9	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.1
State insured <sup>2</sup>	1,608	2,207	2.6	3.3	3.4	3.4	3.3	3.4
Labor force time lost <sup>3</sup>	--	--	5.1	5.7	5.6	5.7	5.8	6.4
<b>OCCUPATION<sup>4</sup></b>								
White-collar workers	1,225	1,536	2.9	3.2	3.1	3.3	3.1	3.5
Professional and technical	277	335	2.3	2.1	1.9	2.1	2.2	2.6
Managers and administrators, except farm	113	181	1.3	1.9	1.8	1.4	1.9	2.0
Sales workers	198	237	3.5	4.2	4.6	4.0	3.7	4.1
Clerical workers	637	783	4.2	4.6	4.4	5.0	4.4	4.9
Blue-collar workers	1,630	2,192	5.1	5.7	6.2	6.1	6.5	6.8
Craft and kindred workers	435	585	3.7	3.7	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.8
Operatives	805	1,109	5.3	6.3	6.8	6.3	7.0	7.4
Nonfarm laborers	390	498	8.1	8.8	9.6	10.7	10.7	10.1
Service workers	679	790	5.7	6.7	5.8	6.3	6.2	6.4
Farm workers	72	79	2.4	2.6	2.8	2.9	2.8	2.5
<b>INDUSTRY<sup>4</sup></b>								
Nonagricultural private wage and salary workers <sup>5</sup>	3,078	3,988	4.7	5.2	5.4	5.4	5.5	6.0
Construction	442	568	9.6	9.6	10.2	10.6	11.1	12.4
Manufacturing	908	1,264	4.2	4.7	5.2	5.1	5.4	5.8
Durable goods	519	673	4.0	4.5	4.8	4.4	4.8	5.1
Nondurable goods	389	591	4.4	5.0	5.7	6.0	6.4	6.8
Transportation and public utilities	134	166	2.8	3.0	3.2	3.4	3.6	3.4
Wholesale and retail trade	873	1,085	5.6	6.3	6.1	6.4	6.1	6.6
Finance and service industries	704	883	4.0	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.4	4.8
Government workers	414	447	3.0	3.4	2.8	3.1	2.9	3.1
Agricultural wage and salary workers	75	95	5.8	7.1	7.5	7.8	6.9	6.4
<b>VETERAN STATUS</b>								
Males, Vietnam-era veterans <sup>6</sup> :								
20 to 34 years	265	302	4.9	4.8	5.2	4.9	5.0	5.2
20 to 24 years	115	145	8.0	10.3	10.1	9.6	11.4	12.4
25 to 29 years	117	126	4.0	3.6	4.4	4.3	3.6	3.8
30 to 34 years	33	31	3.1	2.5	2.6	2.0	2.5	2.2
Males, nonveterans:								
20 to 34 years	613	786	4.7	5.6	5.4	5.5	6.3	5.7
20 to 24 years	370	490	6.6	7.9	7.5	7.8	9.2	8.0
25 to 29 years	166	164	4.2	4.8	4.6	4.0	4.3	4.2
30 to 34 years	77	132	2.2	2.6	2.8	3.5	3.8	3.5

<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> Unemployment by occupation includes all experienced unemployed persons, whereas that by industry covers only unemployed wage and salary workers.<sup>5</sup> Includes mining, not shown separately.<sup>6</sup> Vietnam-era veterans are those who served after August 4, 1964.



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Table A-3. Selected employment indicators

[In thousands]

Selected categories	Not seasonally adjusted		Seasonally adjusted					
	Sept. 1973	Sept. 1974	Sept. 1973	May 1974	June 1974	July 1974	Aug. 1974	Sept. 1974
<b>Total employed, 16 years and over</b>	84,841	86,242	85,133	85,971	86,165	86,312	86,187	86,538
Males	52,292	52,771	52,290	52,628	52,499	52,389	52,445	52,771
Females	32,549	33,470	32,843	33,343	33,666	33,923	33,742	33,767
Household heads	50,632	51,334	50,232	50,817	50,995	51,054	51,059	50,927
Married men, spouse present	39,276	39,224	38,936	39,064	38,933	38,802	38,888	38,874
Married women, spouse present	19,240	19,876	19,216	19,505	19,682	19,910	19,887	19,856
<b>OCCUPATION</b>								
White-collar workers	40,463	41,774	40,691	41,615	42,111	41,953	41,766	42,017
Professional and technical	11,900	12,519	11,895	12,248	12,482	12,601	12,572	12,519
Managers and administrators, except farm	8,748	8,763	8,653	9,145	9,172	8,932	8,681	8,668
Sales workers	5,295	5,443	5,431	5,440	5,375	5,349	5,453	5,583
Clerical workers	14,520	15,049	14,712	14,782	15,082	15,071	15,060	15,247
Blue-collar workers	30,386	30,100	30,150	30,192	29,664	30,056	29,885	29,867
Craft and kindred workers	11,450	11,566	11,396	11,623	11,380	11,621	11,569	11,508
Operatives	14,488	14,082	14,329	14,137	13,982	14,283	14,014	13,929
Nonfarm laborers	4,447	4,452	4,425	4,432	4,302	4,152	4,302	4,430
Service workers	11,009	11,291	11,290	11,129	11,466	11,370	11,644	11,567
Farm workers	2,983	3,077	2,939	3,028	2,899	2,968	2,941	3,032
<b>MAJOR INDUSTRY AND CLASS OF WORKER</b>								
<b>Agriculture:</b>								
Wage and salary workers	1,254	1,428	1,226	1,320	1,235	1,268	1,341	1,396
Self-employed workers	1,772	1,750	1,751	1,740	1,701	1,740	1,723	1,729
Unpaid family workers	410	385	407	398	387	388	380	382
<b>Nonagricultural industries:</b>								
Wage and salary workers	75,370	76,488	75,641	76,132	76,618	76,602	76,739	76,777
Private households	1,562	1,364	1,612	1,424	1,408	1,367	1,432	1,408
Government	13,533	13,875	13,615	14,065	14,175	14,168	14,017	13,959
Other	60,276	61,249	60,414	60,643	61,035	61,067	61,290	61,410
Self-employed workers	5,481	5,661	5,497	5,703	5,811	5,805	5,745	5,678
Unpaid family workers	554	530	573	495	491	463	419	548
<b>PERSONS AT WORK<sup>1</sup></b>								
Nonagricultural industries	77,255	78,297	76,936	77,679	77,833	78,050	77,846	78,034
Full-time schedules	64,681	65,358	63,954	64,537	64,669	64,750	64,688	64,647
Part time for economic reasons	2,218	2,650	2,353	2,746	2,484	2,432	2,511	2,823
Usually work full time	1,126	1,280	1,106	1,260	1,209	1,156	1,174	1,257
Usually work part time	1,092	1,370	1,247	1,486	1,275	1,276	1,337	1,566
Part time for noneconomic reasons	10,356	10,289	10,629	10,396	10,680	10,868	10,647	10,564

<sup>1</sup> 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					
	Sept. 1973	Sept. 1974	Sept. 1973	May 1974	June 1974	July 1974	Aug. 1974	Sept. 1974
Less than 5 weeks	2,447	3,006	2,158	2,520	2,370	2,471	2,493	2,651
5 to 14 weeks	1,075	1,358	1,339	1,358	1,462	1,516	1,440	1,691
15 weeks and over	643	838	768	877	939	928	949	1,000
15 to 26 weeks	379	488	476	525	571	550	564	614
27 weeks and over	264	349	292	352	368	378	385	386
Average (mean) duration, in weeks	8.7	8.9	9.4	9.5	9.8	10.1	10.0	9.6
<b>PERCENT DISTRIBUTION</b>								
Total unemployed	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Less than 5 weeks	58.8	57.8	50.6	53.0	49.7	50.3	51.1	49.6
5 to 14 weeks	25.8	26.1	31.4	28.6	30.6	30.8	29.5	31.7
15 weeks and over	15.4	16.1	18.0	18.4	19.7	18.9	19.4	18.7
15 to 26 weeks	9.1	9.4	11.2	11.0	12.0	11.2	11.6	11.5
27 weeks and over	6.3	6.7	6.8	7.4	7.7	7.7	7.9	7.2

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Table A-5. Reasons for unemployment

[Numbers in thousands]

Reason	Not seasonally adjusted		Seasonally adjusted					
	Sept. 1973	Sept. 1974	Sept. 1973	May 1974	June 1974	July 1974	Aug. 1974	Sept. 1974
<b>NUMBER OF UNEMPLOYED</b>								
Lost last job .....	1,355	1,881	1,611	1,888	1,998	2,022	1,988	2,236
Left last job .....	791	870	670	676	738	764	773	736
Reentered labor force .....	1,414	1,761	1,303	1,599	1,406	1,454	1,472	1,623
Seeking first job .....	605	690	641	643	625	675	634	731
<b>PERCENT DISTRIBUTION</b>								
Total unemployed .....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Job losers .....	32.5	36.2	38.1	39.3	41.9	41.1	40.8	42.0
Job leavers .....	19.0	16.7	15.9	14.1	15.5	15.5	15.9	13.8
Reentrants .....	33.9	33.9	30.8	33.3	29.5	29.6	30.2	30.5
New entrants .....	14.5	13.3	15.2	13.4	13.1	13.7	13.0	13.7
<b>UNEMPLOYED AS A PERCENT OF THE CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE</b>								
Job losers .....	1.5	2.1	1.9	2.1	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.4
Job leavers .....	.9	1.0	.7	.7	.8	.8	.8	.8
Reentrants .....	1.6	1.9	1.5	1.8	1.5	1.6	1.6	1.8
New entrants .....	.7	.8	.7	.7	.7	.7	.7	.8

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	Sept. 1973	May 1974	June 1974	July 1974	Aug. 1974	Sept. 1974
	Sept. 1973	Sept. 1974							
<b>Total, 16 years and over</b> .....	4,165	5,202	72.3	4.7	5.2	5.2	5.3	5.4	5.8
16 to 19 years .....	1,210	1,478	51.6	14.3	15.8	15.6	16.2	15.3	16.7
16 to 17 years .....	610	659	26.3	17.1	18.1	17.4	18.0	17.3	18.2
18 to 19 years .....	600	820	71.7	12.6	14.3	12.9	14.7	14.1	16.1
20 to 24 years .....	1,020	1,248	81.3	7.8	8.6	8.3	8.8	9.5	9.2
25 years and over .....	1,935	2,476	80.2	2.9	3.2	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.7
25 to 54 years .....	1,600	2,085	82.0	3.0	3.3	3.5	3.5	3.4	3.8
55 years and over .....	335	390	70.8	2.6	2.7	2.7	2.8	3.2	3.1
<b>Males, 16 years and over</b> .....	1,900	2,451	76.3	4.4	4.4	4.6	4.6	4.7	5.0
16 to 19 years .....	588	764	50.1	13.7	14.6	15.6	15.4	15.2	17.1
16 to 17 years .....	294	351	27.9	15.6	18.0	18.9	18.4	18.8	17.9
18 to 19 years .....	294	412	69.2	12.6	12.2	12.1	12.8	12.7	16.8
20 to 24 years .....	460	603	82.3	7.0	8.3	8.1	8.1	9.3	8.9
25 years and over .....	851	1,085	91.4	2.4	2.6	2.7	2.8	2.8	3.0
25 to 54 years .....	651	875	95.3	2.3	2.7	2.8	2.8	2.8	3.0
55 years and over .....	200	210	74.8	2.7	2.3	2.5	2.7	3.2	2.8
<b>Females, 16 years and over</b> .....	2,265	2,751	68.7	5.9	6.4	6.3	6.5	6.3	6.9
16 to 19 years .....	621	715	53.0	15.0	17.2	15.6	17.2	15.4	16.3
16 to 17 years .....	316	307	24.4	19.3	18.3	17.7	17.5	15.3	18.7
18 to 19 years .....	306	408	74.5	12.6	16.7	13.8	16.9	15.8	15.3
20 to 24 years .....	559	645	80.3	8.7	9.0	8.7	9.6	9.8	9.7
25 years and over .....	1,084	1,391	71.5	3.9	4.2	4.4	4.2	4.2	4.8
25 to 54 years .....	949	1,211	72.3	4.1	4.4	4.6	4.6	4.5	5.0
55 years and over .....	135	180	66.1	2.5	3.2	3.1	2.9	3.2	3.5

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

[In thousands]

Industry	Not seasonally adjusted				Seasonally adjusted					
	Sept. 1973	July 1974	Aug. 1974 <sup>p</sup>	Sept. 1974 <sup>p</sup>	Sept. 1973	May 1974	June 1974	July 1974	Aug. 1974 <sup>p</sup>	Sept. 1974 <sup>p</sup>
<b>TOTAL</b> .....	76,238	76,913	77,063	77,426	75,961	77,136	77,101	77,047	77,113	77,146
<b>GOODS-PRODUCING</b> .....	24,717	24,296	24,572	24,555	24,215	24,268	24,225	24,116	24,063	24,041
<b>MINING</b> .....	641	683	685	683	633	664	665	669	670	675
<b>CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION</b> .....	3,944	3,778	3,847	3,733	3,700	3,662	3,599	3,534	3,552	3,502
<b>MANUFACTURING</b> .....	20,132	19,835	20,040	20,139	19,882	19,942	19,961	19,913	19,841	19,864
<i>Production workers</i> .....	14,841	14,436	14,644	14,729	14,609	14,590	14,598	14,546	14,475	14,464
<b>DURABLE GOODS</b> .....	11,801	11,719	11,712	11,838	11,708	11,746	11,783	11,761	11,687	11,717
<i>Production workers</i> .....	8,681	8,511	8,511	8,615	8,599	8,577	8,599	8,569	8,498	8,502
Ordnance and accessories .....	191.8	193.3	194.6	195.0	190	189	191	193	194	193
Lumber and wood products .....	642.6	653.0	647.6	632.5	631	650	640	636	628	621
Furniture and fixtures .....	528.4	504.3	518.1	513.2	525	524	522	514	514	510
Stone, clay, and glass products .....	708.8	706.1	708.8	694.8	696	701	691	694	692	682
Primary metal industries .....	1,331.0	1,338.3	1,332.7	1,341.9	1,339	1,322	1,328	1,324	1,330	1,350
Fabricated metal products .....	1,467.4	1,452.2	1,457.7	1,465.5	1,456	1,458	1,462	1,470	1,459	1,454
Machinery, except electrical .....	2,066.3	2,144.7	2,152.8	2,170.8	2,073	2,139	2,161	2,149	2,170	2,177
Electrical equipment .....	2,028.1	2,021.2	1,984.5	2,027.2	2,010	2,030	2,036	2,038	1,985	2,009
Transportation equipment .....	1,881.6	1,745.5	1,737.1	1,822.2	1,850	1,764	1,778	1,773	1,750	1,764
Instruments and related products .....	503.9	528.6	530.3	527.4	503	524	531	529	528	526
Miscellaneous manufacturing .....	451.2	431.8	448.2	447.8	435	445	443	441	437	431
<b>NONDURABLE GOODS</b> .....	8,331	8,116	8,328	8,301	8,174	8,196	8,178	8,152	8,154	8,147
<i>Production workers</i> .....	6,160	5,925	6,133	6,114	6,010	6,013	5,999	5,977	5,977	5,962
Food and kindred products .....	1,840.7	1,752.0	1,851.8	1,853.4	1,719	1,747	1,725	1,713	1,723	1,731
Tobacco manufactures .....	81.7	68.1	79.4	79.3	70	76	76	77	72	68
Textile mill products .....	1,026.5	987.4	1,008.5	1,004.4	1,025	1,013	1,011	1,001	1,005	1,003
Apparel and other textile products .....	1,349.3	1,240.3	1,287.0	1,276.3	1,337	1,300	1,290	1,288	1,278	1,265
Paper and allied products .....	722.3	727.2	729.1	723.6	719	731	727	726	723	721
Printing and publishing .....	1,095.2	1,104.5	1,106.0	1,107.7	1,097	1,107	1,109	1,108	1,108	1,110
Chemicals and allied products .....	1,038.9	1,064.9	1,070.7	1,070.6	1,038	1,050	1,057	1,057	1,061	1,070
Petroleum and coal products .....	191.9	198.1	198.0	193.6	190	193	193	193	193	192
Rubber and plastics products, nec. .....	688.8	687.5	701.6	702.1	683	685	696	696	701	697
Leather and leather products .....	295.7	285.6	296.3	289.5	296	294	294	293	290	290
<b>SERVICE-PRODUCING</b> .....	51,521	52,617	52,491	52,871	51,746	52,868	52,876	52,931	53,050	53,105
<b>TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC UTILITIES</b> .....	4,671	4,704	4,695	4,688	4,629	4,664	4,653	4,648	4,653	4,646
<b>WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE</b> .....	16,367	16,632	16,589	16,631	16,388	16,594	16,602	16,665	16,663	16,651
<b>WHOLESALE TRADE</b> .....	4,127	4,247	4,255	4,226	4,111	4,211	4,215	4,205	4,217	4,209
<b>RETAIL TRADE</b> .....	12,240	12,385	12,334	12,405	12,277	12,383	12,387	12,460	12,446	12,442
<b>FINANCE, INSURANCE, AND REAL ESTATE</b> .....	4,082	4,199	4,201	4,158	4,078	4,145	4,140	4,133	4,143	4,154
<b>SERVICES</b> .....	12,982	13,537	13,538	13,429	12,995	13,329	13,365	13,376	13,431	13,442
<b>GOVERNMENT</b> .....	13,419	13,545	13,468	13,965	13,656	14,136	14,116	14,109	14,160	14,212
<b>FEDERAL</b> .....	2,608	2,721	2,712	2,695	2,613	2,698	2,684	2,691	2,693	2,700
<b>STATE AND LOCAL</b> .....	10,811	10,824	10,756	11,270	11,043	11,438	11,432	11,418	11,467	11,512

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

Industry	Not seasonally adjusted				Seasonally adjusted					
	Sept. 1973	July 1974	Aug. 1974 <sup>p</sup>	Sept. 1974 <sup>p</sup>	Sept. 1973	May 1974	June 1974	July 1974	Aug. 1974 <sup>p</sup>	Sept. 1974 <sup>p</sup>
<b>TOTAL PRIVATE</b> .....	37.3	37.1	37.1	36.9	37.2	36.8	36.7	36.7	36.6	36.8
<b>MINING</b> .....	43.0	43.1	43.1	43.0	42.9	43.2	43.2	42.9	42.9	42.9
<b>CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION</b> .....	37.9	38.0	37.8	37.9	36.7	36.9	37.1	37.1	36.6	36.7
<b>MANUFACTURING</b> .....	41.0	40.0	40.1	40.3	40.8	40.3	40.1	40.2	40.1	40.1
<i>Overtime hours</i> .....	4.1	3.3	3.4	3.4	3.8	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.3	3.1
<b>DURABLE GOODS</b> .....	41.7	40.4	40.6	40.9	41.4	40.9	40.8	40.7	40.8	40.6
<i>Overtime hours</i> .....	4.4	3.4	3.5	3.5	4.0	3.6	3.4	3.5	3.5	3.2
Ordnance and accessories .....	( <sup>2</sup> )	<sup>2</sup> 41.2	<sup>2</sup> 41.3	<sup>2</sup> 41.6	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	<sup>2</sup> 41.9	<sup>2</sup> 41.7	<sup>2</sup> 41.3	<sup>2</sup> 41.6
Lumber and wood products .....	40.9	39.6	39.9	39.5	40.7	40.1	40.1	39.7	39.7	39.3
Furniture and fixtures .....	40.2	39.0	39.3	39.3	39.7	39.4	39.4	39.4	38.8	38.8
Stone, clay, and glass products .....	42.6	41.6	41.8	41.5	42.2	41.6	41.4	41.4	41.3	41.1
Primary metal industries .....	42.8	41.5	41.6	41.7	42.7	41.6	41.6	41.6	41.7	41.6
Fabricated metal products .....	41.8	40.6	41.0	41.4	41.5	41.1	40.9	40.8	40.9	41.1
Machinery, except electrical .....	43.0	41.7	42.2	42.6	43.0	42.3	42.4	42.2	42.6	42.6
Electrical equipment .....	40.6	39.3	39.6	39.8	40.4	40.0	40.1	39.8	39.6	39.6
Transportation equipment .....	41.6	40.2	39.4	40.6	41.1	40.5	39.7	40.4	40.4	40.1
Instruments and related products .....	41.1	39.7	40.1	39.9	40.9	40.3	40.3	40.1	40.3	39.7
Miscellaneous manufacturing .....	39.1	38.5	38.7	38.9	39.1	38.9	38.9	39.0	38.5	38.9
<b>NONDURABLE GOODS</b> .....	40.0	39.4	39.4	39.4	39.8	39.4	39.3	39.3	39.1	39.2
<i>Overtime hours</i> .....	3.8	3.2	3.3	3.2	3.4	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.1	2.9
Food and kindred products .....	41.3	40.8	40.9	41.2	40.6	40.6	40.5	40.4	40.3	40.5
Tobacco manufactures .....	39.0	36.8	38.1	39.8	37.9	38.8	36.8	36.9	37.5	38.7
Textile mill products .....	41.0	39.9	39.7	39.2	40.9	40.2	40.2	40.2	39.6	39.1
Apparel and other textile products .....	35.9	35.4	35.6	35.5	35.9	35.6	34.7	35.3	35.3	35.5
Paper and allied products .....	43.1	42.2	42.2	42.1	42.8	42.3	42.4	42.2	42.0	41.8
Printing and publishing .....	38.3	37.5	37.9	37.6	38.0	37.8	37.6	37.4	37.7	37.3
Chemicals and allied products .....	42.0	41.6	41.5	41.7	42.0	41.8	41.8	41.8	41.8	41.7
Petroleum and coal products .....	43.0	42.8	42.0	43.2	42.5	42.2	42.5	42.2	41.8	42.7
Rubber and plastics products, nec .....	41.3	40.1	40.7	40.7	41.0	40.3	40.6	40.4	40.6	40.4
Leather and leather products .....	37.8	37.4	37.1	36.7	38.4	37.6	37.6	36.9	37.1	37.3
<b>TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC UTILITIES</b> .....	40.8	41.1	41.0	40.9	40.6	40.8	40.5	40.7	40.8	40.7
<b>WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE</b> .....	34.7	35.0	34.9	34.2	34.6	34.3	34.2	34.1	34.0	34.1
<b>WHOLESALE TRADE</b> .....	39.5	39.2	38.9	39.1	39.5	39.1	39.0	39.0	38.7	39.1
<b>RETAIL TRADE</b> .....	33.2	33.7	33.6	32.7	33.2	32.9	32.8	32.7	32.5	32.7
<b>FINANCE, INSURANCE, AND REAL ESTATE</b> .....	37.1	36.8	36.9	36.8	37.2	36.9	36.8	36.7	36.8	36.9
<b>SERVICES</b> .....	34.1	34.6	34.4	34.1	34.1	34.1	34.2	34.0	33.9	34.1

<sup>1</sup> 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.

<sup>2</sup> Previously published data for this series for March 1971 through May 1974 are being revised to correct processing errors; figures for subsequent months have been corrected for these errors. Revised historical data are not yet available; they are scheduled to be published in December when the routine benchmarking and seasonal adjustment will be made.  
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**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			
	Sept. 1973	July 1974	Aug. 1974 <sup>p</sup>	Sept. 1974 <sup>p</sup>	Sept. 1973	July 1974	Aug. 1974 <sup>p</sup>	Sept. 1974 <sup>p</sup>
<b>TOTAL PRIVATE</b> .....	\$3.99	\$4.21	\$4.24	\$4.32	\$148.83	\$156.19	\$157.30	\$159.41
<i>Seasonally adjusted</i> .....	3.96	4.22	4.25	4.29	147.31	154.87	155.55	157.87
<b>MINING</b> .....	4.78	5.22	5.27	5.32	205.54	224.98	227.14	228.76
<b>CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION</b> .....	<sup>2</sup> )	<sup>2</sup> 6.71	<sup>2</sup> 6.88	<sup>2</sup> 7.04	( <sup>2</sup> )	<sup>2</sup> 254.98	<sup>2</sup> 260.06	<sup>2</sup> 266.82
<b>MANUFACTURING</b> .....	4.13	4.41	4.43	4.51	169.33	176.40	177.64	181.75
<b>DURABLE GOODS</b> .....	4.39	4.67	4.71	4.81	183.06	188.67	191.23	196.73
Ordnance and accessories .....	( <sup>2</sup> )	<sup>2</sup> 4.78	<sup>2</sup> 4.82	<sup>2</sup> 4.86	( <sup>2</sup> )	<sup>2</sup> 196.94	<sup>2</sup> 199.07	<sup>2</sup> 202.18
Lumber and wood products .....	3.68	3.91	3.96	3.99	150.51	154.84	158.00	157.61
Furniture and fixtures .....	3.33	3.49	3.53	3.56	133.87	136.11	138.73	139.91
Stone, clay, and glass products .....	4.26	4.55	4.58	4.61	181.48	189.28	191.44	191.32
Primary metal industries .....	5.16	5.64	5.73	5.83	220.85	234.06	238.37	243.11
Fabricated metal products .....	4.30	4.58	4.63	4.75	179.74	185.95	189.83	196.65
Machinery, except electrical .....	4.61	4.88	4.94	5.01	198.23	203.50	208.47	213.43
Electrical equipment .....	3.91	4.15	4.14	4.22	158.75	163.10	163.94	167.96
Transportation equipment .....	5.10	5.43	5.47	5.63	212.16	218.29	215.52	228.58
Instruments and related products .....	3.93	4.18	4.21	4.24	161.52	165.95	168.82	169.18
Miscellaneous manufacturing .....	3.31	3.50	3.51	3.56	129.42	134.75	135.84	138.48
<b>NONDURABLE GOODS</b> .....	3.75	4.03	4.04	4.08	150.00	158.78	159.18	160.75
Food and kindred products .....	3.85	4.19	4.20	4.22	159.01	170.95	171.78	173.86
Tobacco manufactures .....	3.68	4.40	4.11	4.13	143.52	161.92	156.59	164.37
Textile mill products .....	3.02	3.25	3.26	3.27	123.82	129.68	129.42	128.18
Apparel and other textile products .....	2.84	3.00	3.05	3.07	101.96	106.20	108.58	108.99
Paper and allied products .....	4.26	4.52	4.57	4.60	183.61	190.74	192.85	193.66
Printing and publishing .....	4.76	4.96	4.99	5.03	182.31	186.00	189.12	189.13
Chemicals and allied products .....	4.53	4.87	4.89	4.94	190.26	202.59	202.94	206.00
Petroleum and coal products .....	5.29	5.66	5.72	5.81	227.47	242.25	240.24	250.99
Rubber and plastics products, nec .....	3.86	4.07	4.10	4.14	159.42	163.21	166.87	168.50
Leather and leather products .....	2.84	2.99	3.03	3.08	107.35	111.83	112.41	113.04
<b>TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC UTILITIES</b> .....	( <sup>2</sup> )	<sup>2</sup> 5.42	<sup>2</sup> 5.43	<sup>2</sup> 5.50	( <sup>2</sup> )	<sup>2</sup> 222.76	<sup>2</sup> 222.63	<sup>2</sup> 224.95
<b>WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE</b> .....	3.26	3.49	3.50	3.55	113.12	122.15	122.15	121.41
<b>WHOLESALE TRADE</b> .....	4.19	4.48	4.51	4.58	165.51	175.62	175.44	179.08
<b>RETAIL TRADE</b> .....	2.92	3.12	3.12	3.17	96.94	105.14	104.83	103.66
<b>FINANCE, INSURANCE, AND REAL ESTATE</b> .....	( <sup>2</sup> )	<sup>2</sup> 3.79	<sup>2</sup> 3.80	<sup>2</sup> 3.86	( <sup>2</sup> )	<sup>2</sup> 139.47	<sup>2</sup> 140.22	<sup>2</sup> 142.05
<b>SERVICES</b> .....	( <sup>2</sup> )	3.71	3.71	3.80	( <sup>2</sup> )	<sup>2</sup> 128.37	<sup>2</sup> 127.62	<sup>2</sup> 129.58

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

<sup>2</sup> Previously published data for this series for March 1971 through May 1974 are being revised to correct processing errors; figures for subsequent months have been corrected for these errors. Revised historical data are not yet available; they are scheduled to be published in December when the routine benchmarking revisions will be made.  
p=preliminary.

## ESTABLISHMENT DATA

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**Table B-4. Hourly Earnings Index for production or nonsupervisory workers in private nonfarm industries, seasonally adjusted**

[1967=100]

Industry	Sept. 1973	April 1974	May 1974	June 1974	July 1974	Aug. <sup>P</sup> 1974	Sept. <sup>P</sup> 1974	Percent change from	
								Sept. 1973 Sept. 1974	Aug. 1974- Sept. 1974
<b>TOTAL PRIVATE NONFARM:</b>									
Current dollars .....	149.0	154.5	156.1	158.5	159.3	160.6	162.1	8.8	0.9
Constant (1967) dollars .....	109.9	107.3	107.3	107.9	107.6	107.0	N.A.	(1)	(2)
<b>MINING .....</b>	149.5	158.0	159.8	162.6	164.0	165.3	165.5	10.7	.1
<b>CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION .....</b>	(3)	(3)	(3)	<sup>3</sup> 163.3	<sup>3</sup> 163.9	<sup>3</sup> 167.6	<sup>3</sup> 169.2	N.A.	1.0
<b>MANUFACTURING .....</b>	145.4	151.4	153.3	155.4	156.7	158.2	159.9	10.0	1.1
<b>TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC UTILITIES .....</b>	(3)	(3)	(3)	<sup>3</sup> 165.9	<sup>3</sup> 167.0	<sup>3</sup> 167.5	<sup>3</sup> 168.8	N.A.	.7
<b>WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE .....</b>	145.7	151.0	153.5	155.4	156.4	157.5	158.8	9.0	.9
<b>FINANCE, INSURANCE, AND REAL ESTATE .....</b>	(3)	(3)	(3)	<sup>3</sup> 148.7	<sup>3</sup> 148.1	<sup>3</sup> 149.4	<sup>3</sup> 151.9	N.A.	1.7
<b>SERVICES .....</b>	(3)	(3)	(3)	<sup>3</sup> 162.9	<sup>3</sup> 162.3	<sup>3</sup> 162.8	<sup>3</sup> 164.1	N.A.	.8

<sup>1</sup> Percent change was -2.1 from August 1973 to August 1974, the latest month available.

<sup>2</sup> Percent change was -0.5 from July 1974 to August 1974, the latest month available.

<sup>3</sup> Previously published data for this series for March 1971 through May 1974 are being revised to correct processing errors; figures for subsequent months have been corrected for these errors. Revised historical data are not yet available; they are scheduled to be published in December when the routine benchmarking and seasonal adjustment revisions will be made.

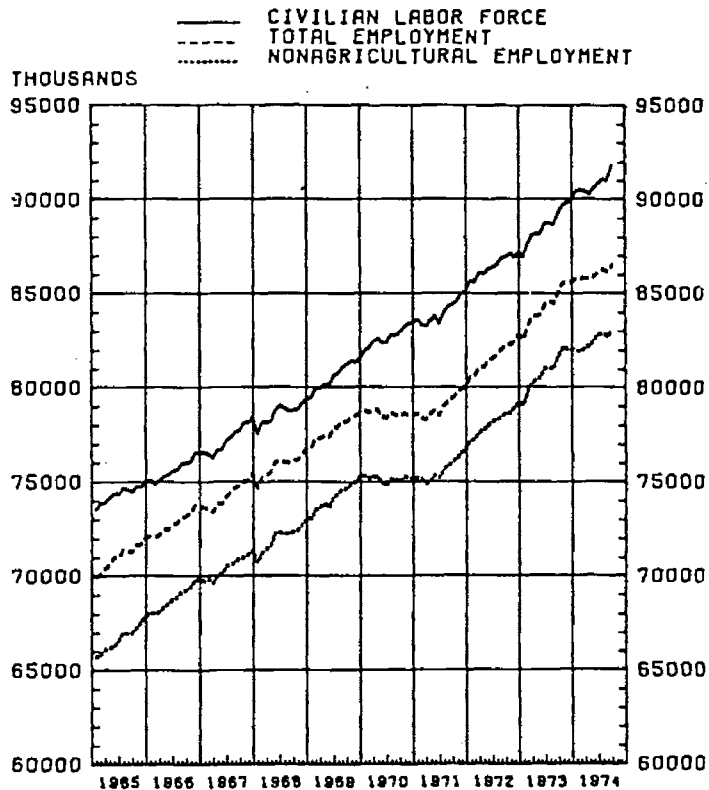
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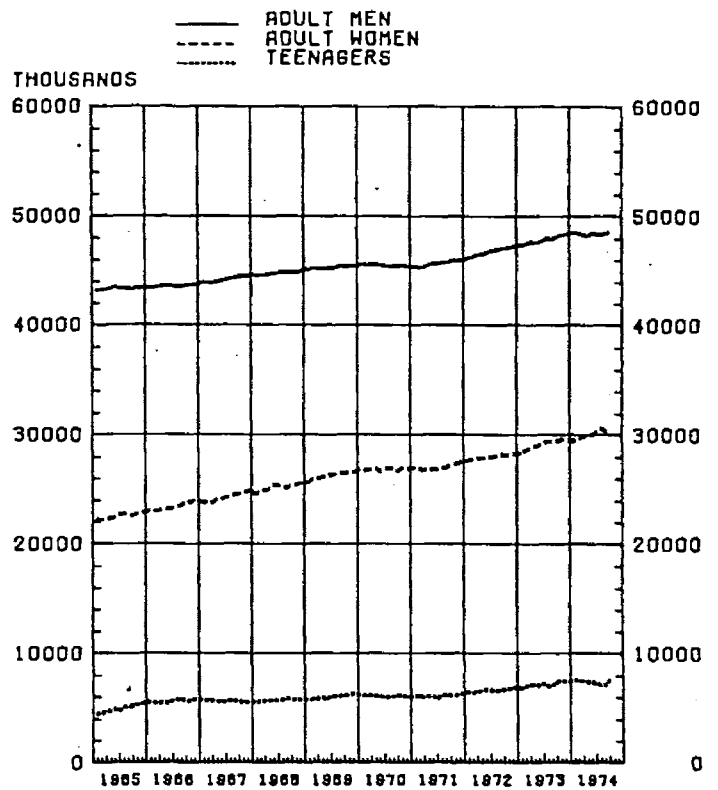
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# LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT, UNEMPLOYMENT HOUSEHOLD DATA - SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

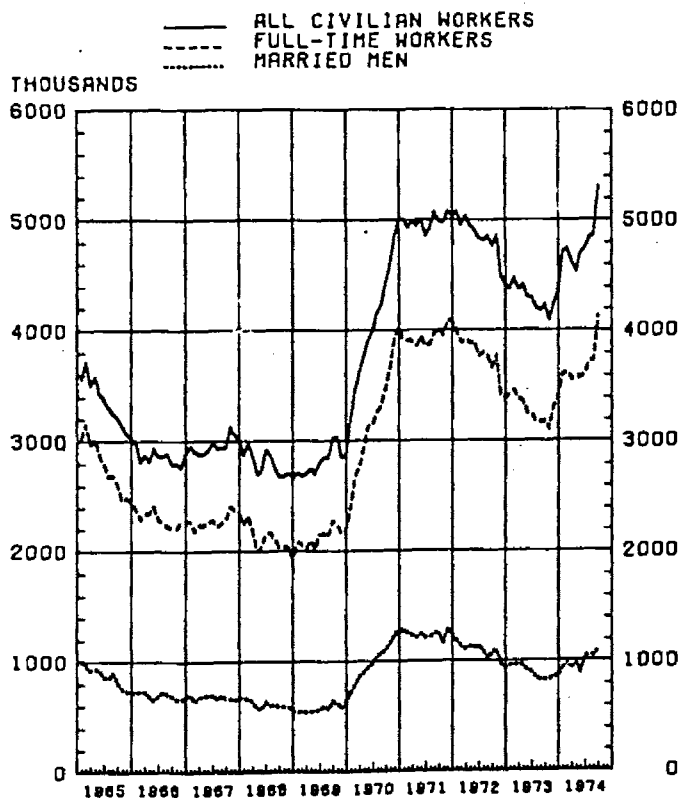
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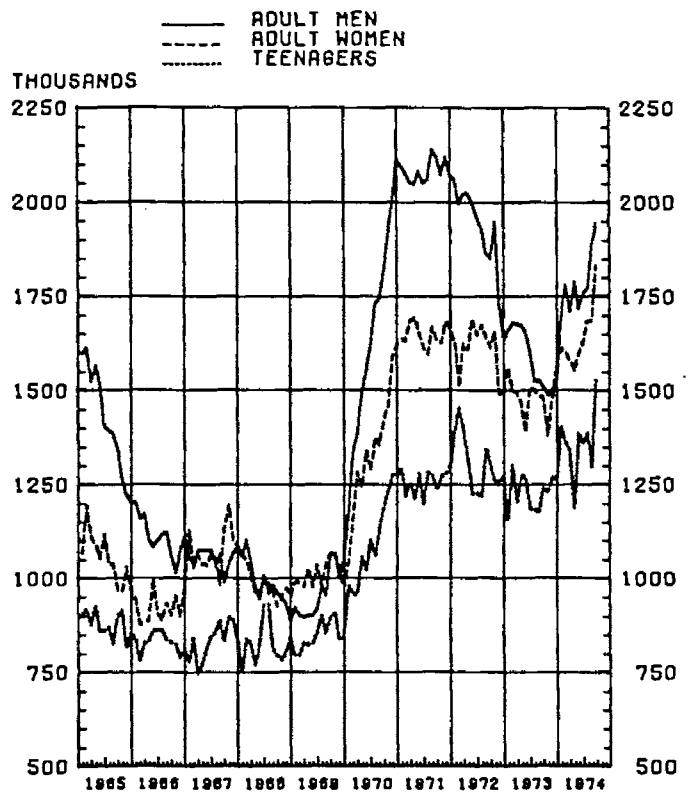
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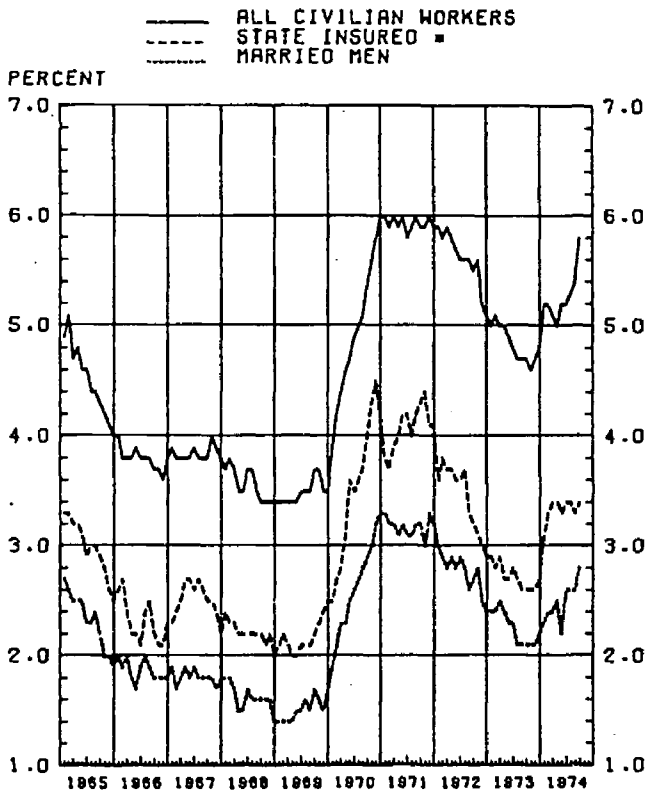


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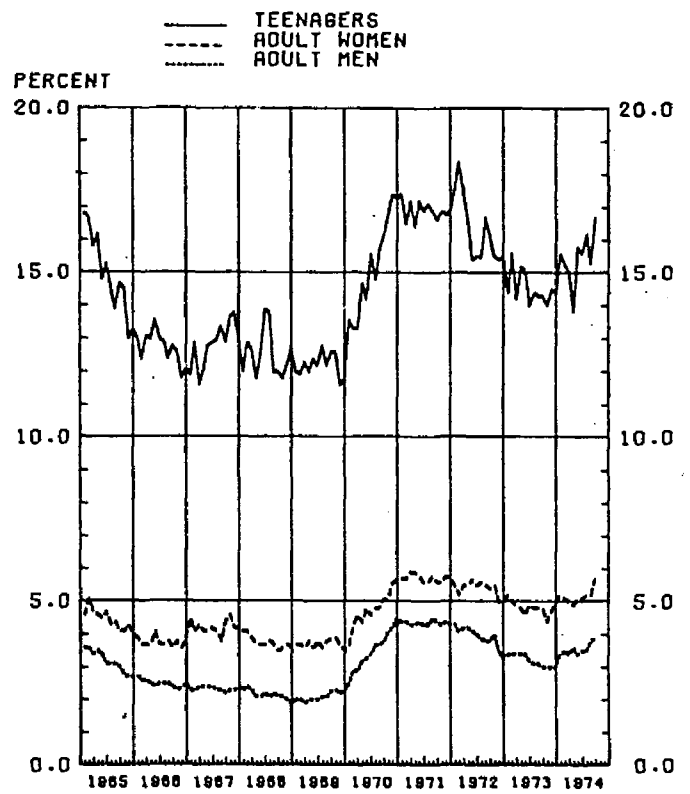


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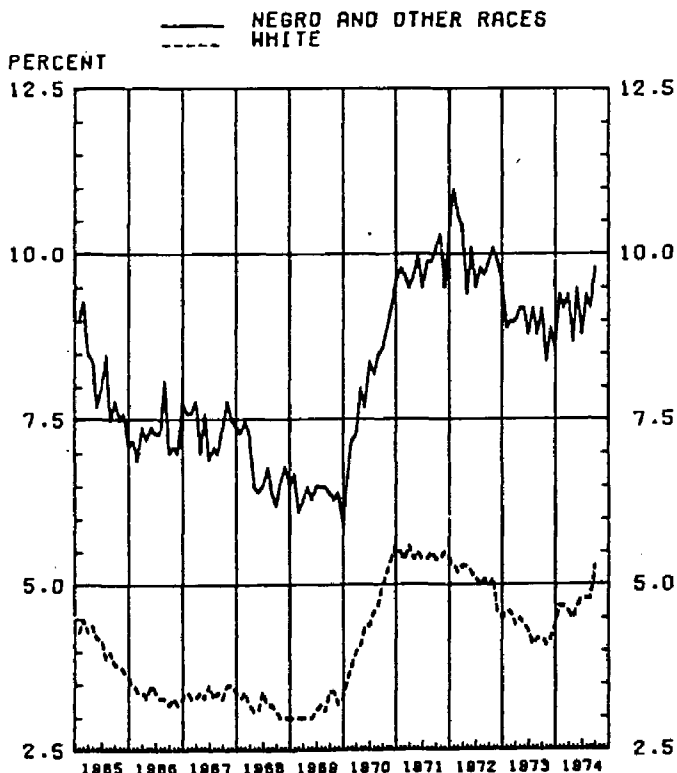
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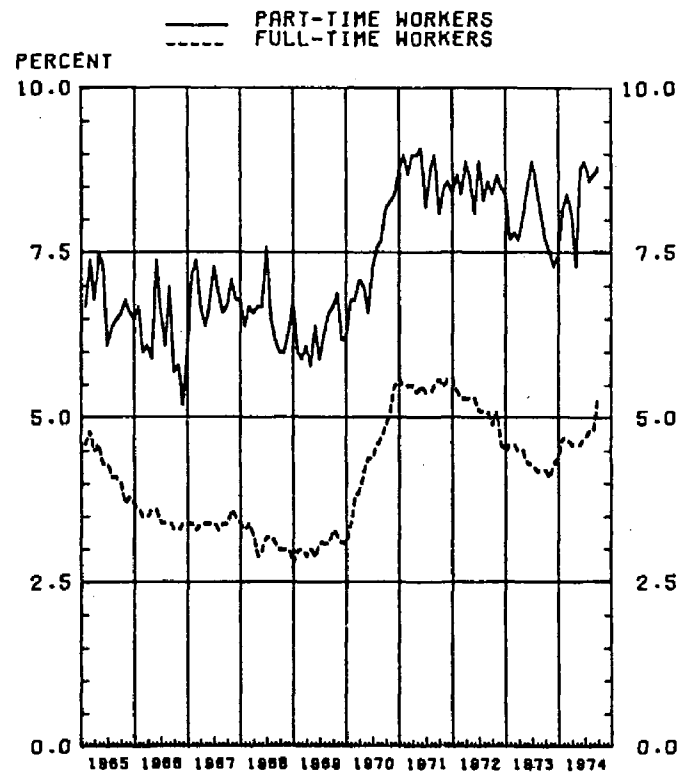
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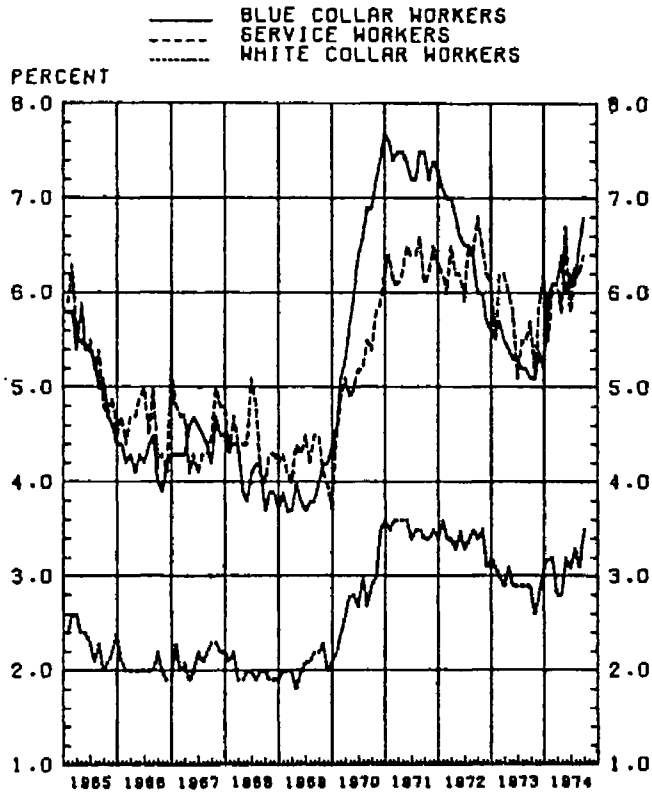


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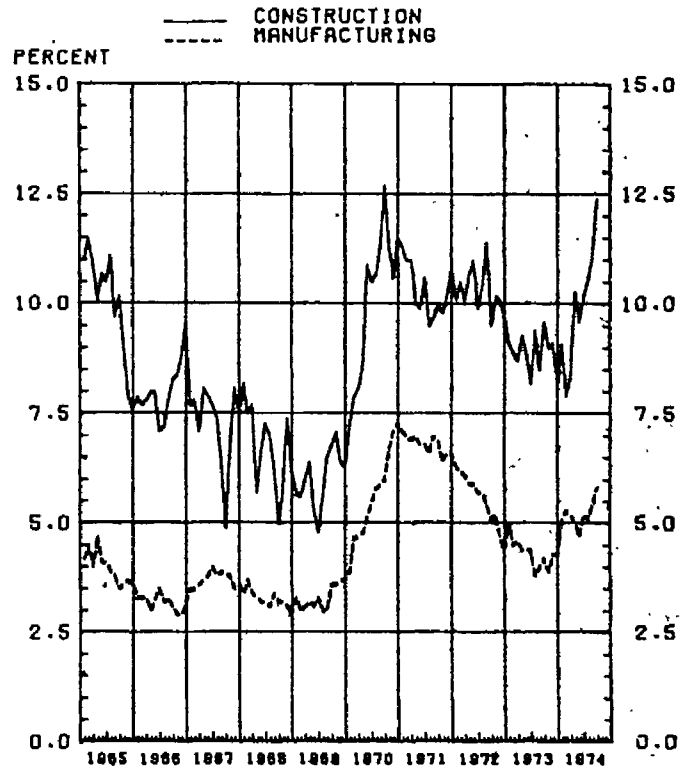


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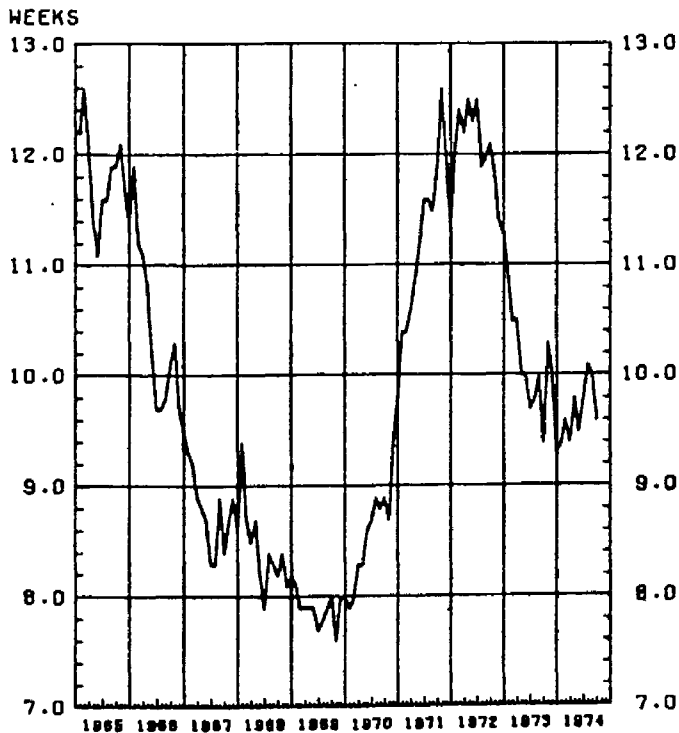
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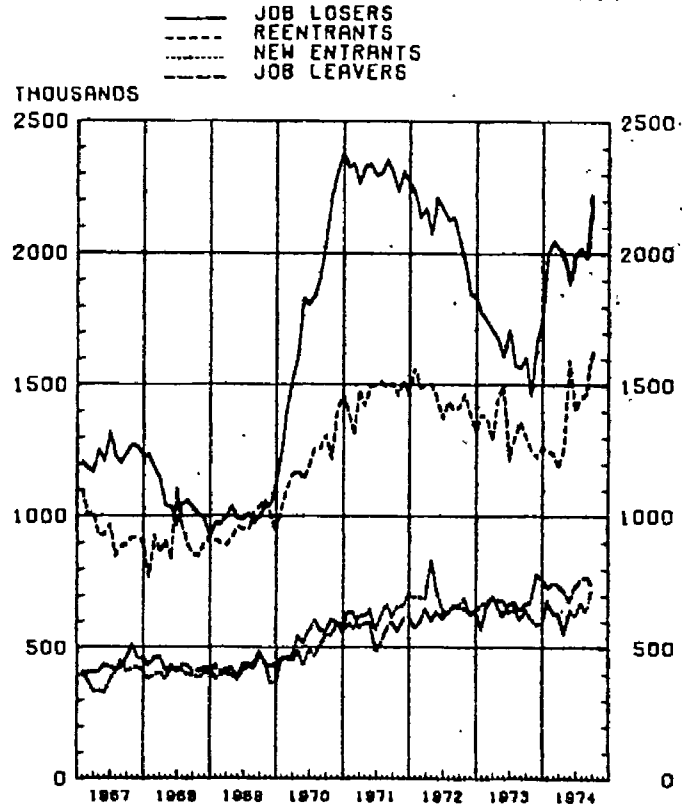
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## 11. AVERAGE DURATION OF UNEMPLOYMENT



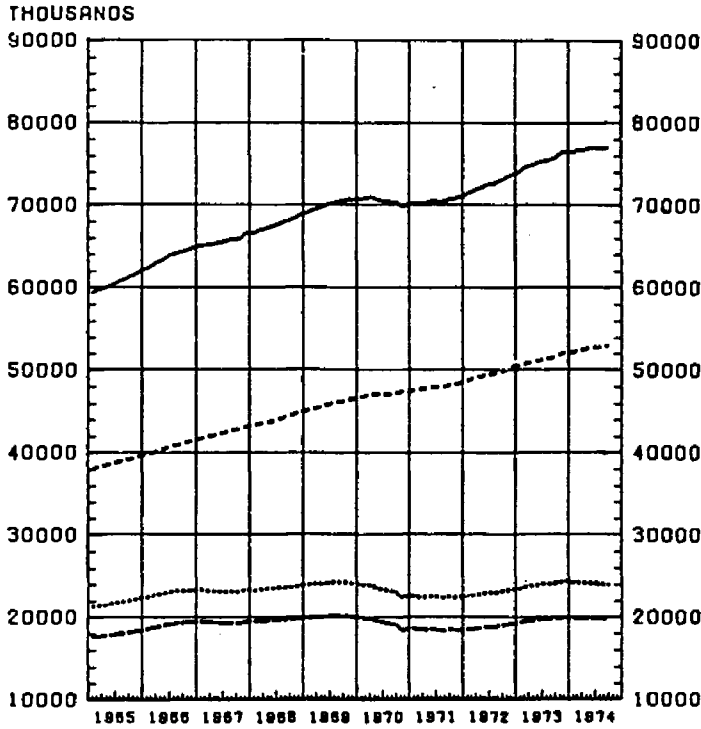
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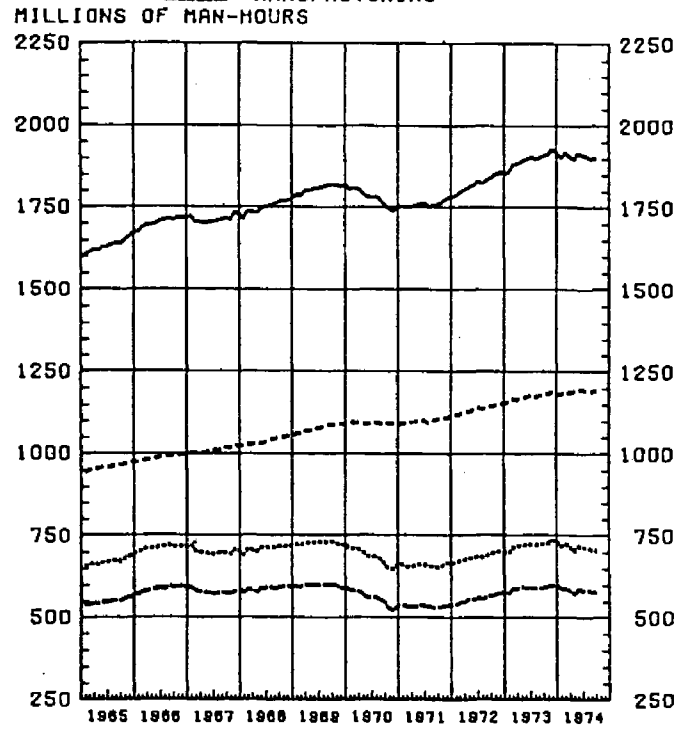
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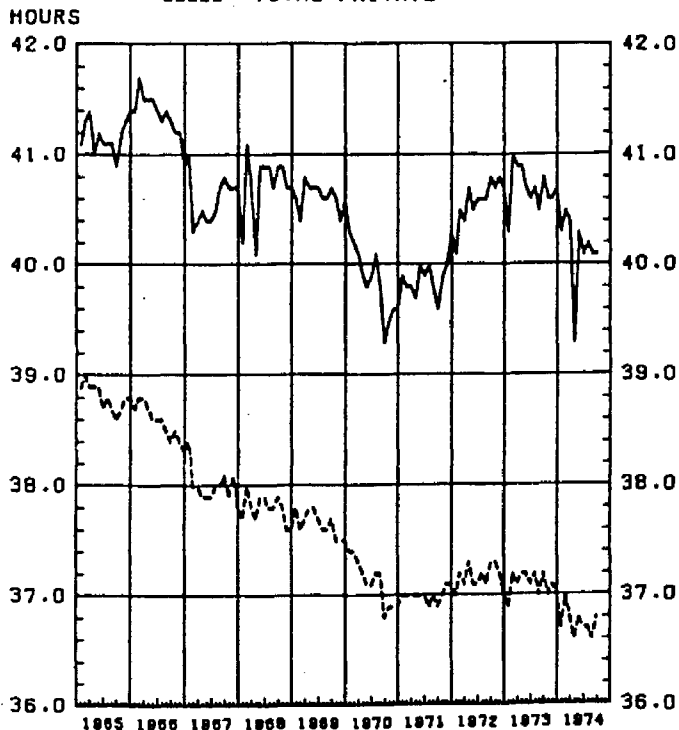
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 - - - - MANUFACTURING



## 15. AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS

——— MANUFACTURING  
 - - - - TOTAL PRIVATE



## 16. AVERAGE WEEKLY OVERTIME HOURS IN MANUFACTURING

