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### THE EMPLOYMENT SITUATION: AUGUST 1975

Unemployment held steady in August and employment increased substantially, it was reported today by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U. S. Department of Labor. The unemployment rate remained at the July level of 8.4 percent, after declining from the second quarter recession peak of 8.9 percent. Although there was no change in overall joblessness, there was a marked improvement among adult workers.

Total employment--as measured by the monthly survey of households--rose by 275,000 in August, following a much larger advance in July. After declining by 2.6 million from last September to a low of 83.8 million in March, employment has risen by 1.5 million in the ensuing 5-month period. Total nonagricultural employment accounted for 1.3 million of this increase.

Total nonagricultural payroll employment--as measured by the monthly survey of establishments--rose by more than half a million in August. This large expansion, coupled with an upward revision in the June and July estimates, yields an increase of 665,000 from March to August and results in a narrowing of the recent differences in employment trends between the household and establishment surveys. While trends in the two surveys are generally closer than those currently prevailing, there have been a number of instances in the past when there were similar divergences, though they have always been shortlived.

#### Unemployment

The number of persons unemployed totaled 7.8 million in August, seasonally adjusted, unchanged from July but down 410,000 from the peak level reached in the second quarter. The rate of unemployment was unchanged at 8.4 percent. Just 12 months earlier, when the very sharp downturn in the economy began, the rate had been 5.4 percent.

Although overall joblessness was unchanged in August, there were significant offsetting movements among the major labor force groups. The jobless rate for adult men, who had been hit particularly hard during the recent downturn, dropped from 7.0 to 6.6 percent. Although the rate for adult women was little changed over the month at 7.7 percent, it has declined sharply from the second quarter average of 8.5 percent. In

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

Selected categories	Quarterly averages					Monthly data		
	1974			1975		June 1975	July 1975	Aug. 1975
	II	III	IV	I	II			
	(Millions of persons)							
Civilian labor force .....	90.6	91.4	91.8	91.8	92.5	92.3	92.9	93.1
Total employment .....	86.0	86.4	85.7	84.1	84.3	84.4	85.1	85.4
Adult men .....	48.5	48.5	48.3	47.3	47.2	47.2	47.5	47.7
Adult women .....	30.1	30.5	30.1	29.8	30.1	30.3	30.6	30.7
Teenagers .....	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.0	7.0	6.9	7.0	7.0
Unemployment .....	4.7	5.0	6.1	7.0	8.2	7.9	7.8	7.8
	(Percent of labor force)							
Unemployment rates:								
All workers .....	5.1	5.5	6.6	8.3	8.9	8.6	8.4	8.4
Adult men .....	3.5	3.7	4.8	6.3	7.1	7.0	7.0	6.6
Adult women .....	5.1	5.4	6.5	8.2	8.5	8.1	7.9	7.7
Teenagers .....	15.1	16.1	17.5	20.5	20.5	19.2	19.1	21.1
White .....	4.6	5.0	5.9	7.6	8.2	7.9	7.9	7.6
Negro and other races .....	9.1	9.6	11.7	13.7	14.3	13.7	13.0	14.0
Household heads .....	3.0	3.2	4.1	5.5	6.1	6.1	6.0	5.5
Married men .....	2.4	2.7	3.3	4.8	5.7	5.7	5.4	5.0
Full-time workers .....	4.6	5.0	6.2	7.9	8.5	8.2	8.1	8.2
State insured .....	3.3	3.4	4.3	6.0	6.9	6.9 <sup>r</sup>	6.2	5.9
	(Weeks)							
Average duration of unemployment .....	9.7	9.9	9.9	11.3	13.9	15.4	15.4	15.7
	(Millions of persons)							
Nonfarm payroll employment .....	78.3	78.7	78.3	76.8	76.4	76.3	76.5 <sup>p</sup>	77.0 <sup>p</sup>
Goods-producing industries .....	24.9	24.8	24.1	22.7	22.3	22.2	22.2 <sup>p</sup>	22.4 <sup>p</sup>
Service-producing industries .....	53.5	53.9	54.2	54.0	54.1	54.1	54.4 <sup>p</sup>	54.6 <sup>p</sup>
	(Hours of work)							
Average weekly hours:								
Total private nonfarm .....	36.7	36.7	36.4	36.0	36.0	36.0	36.1 <sup>p</sup>	36.3 <sup>p</sup>
Manufacturing .....	39.9	40.1	39.7	38.9	39.1	39.1	39.5 <sup>p</sup>	39.8 <sup>p</sup>
Manufacturing overtime .....	3.2	3.4	2.9	2.3	2.4	2.4	2.6 <sup>p</sup>	2.7 <sup>p</sup>
	(1967=100)							
Hourly Earnings Index, private nonfarm:								
In current dollars .....	156.2	160.3	164.1	167.3	170.2	171.9	172.6 <sup>p</sup>	174.0 <sup>p</sup>
In constant dollars .....	107.4	107.0	106.4	106.5 <sup>r</sup>	106.7	107.1	106.3 <sup>p</sup>	N.A.

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

contrast, the jobless rate for teenagers, which had dropped from a second quarter average of 20.5 percent to 19.1 percent in July, rose to 21.1 percent in August. (See tables A and A-2.)

The improvement in the job situation for adult men was also reflected in reduced unemployment among household heads (both male and female), married men, blue-collar workers, and factory workers. The decline for household heads was particularly sharp--from 6.0 to 5.5 percent. The jobless rate for blue-collar workers receded to 11.5 percent in August, after attaining a second quarter peak of 12.9 percent; nearly all of this decline occurred among skilled craft workers. In a similar vein, the factory jobless rate, which had dropped sharply in July from a second quarter high of 12.2 percent, moved down further in August to 10.5 percent. (See table A-2.)

The stability in unemployment also masked divergent movements in black and white joblessness. The unemployment rate for white workers continued its gradual descent from the spring quarter peak of 8.2 percent, reaching 7.6 percent in August. In contrast, the rate for black (Negro and other races) workers rose a full percentage point to 14.0 percent, closely approximating the second quarter average. This increase was primarily among black women, whose rate rose from 10.8 percent in July to 12.6 percent.

The unemployment rate for workers covered by State unemployment insurance programs continued to move down from the high of 7.0 percent attained in May, reaching 5.9 percent in August. The number claiming regular State U. I. benefits was 3.9 million, seasonally adjusted, but the total number of unemployment insurance claimants is much larger when the 2.7 million persons claiming benefits under various special programs, including the Federal extended benefits programs, are taken into account.

The number of persons unemployed 15 weeks or longer decreased by 160,000 in August to 2.8 million, marking the first real decline in long-term joblessness since unemployment began to rise in late 1973. Despite this decrease, the average (mean) duration of unemployment, at 15.7 weeks, was up slightly from the 15.4-weeks average registered in both June and July. The August level exceeded the year-earlier average by nearly 6 weeks. (See table A-4.)

In line with the improving job situation of adult workers, the number of unemployed who had lost their last job declined by 300,000 in August to 4.3 million. Since May, unemployment stemming from job loss has dropped by 600,000. Counterbalancing this over-the-month reduction in job loss were substantial increases among workers who were either seeking their first job or reentering the job market, a reflection of the increased joblessness among teenagers. (See table A-5.)

#### Total Employment and Civilian Labor Force

Total employment increased for the fifth straight month, rising by 275,000 to 85.4 million, seasonally adjusted. After declining sharply in late 1974 and 1975, employment has increased by 1.5 million since reaching a recession low in March. The August gain in employment occurred largely among adult men, household heads, and workers employed in blue-collar occupations.

The civilian labor force, at 93.1 million in August, was up by 230,000, following an increase of more than half a million in July. Over the past year, the labor force has expanded by 1.9 million, a markedly slower growth pace than in the 2 previous years. Although fluctuating somewhat during the past year, the rate of labor force participation, at 61.4 percent in both July and August, was up slightly from a year earlier.

#### Industry Payroll Employment

Total nonagricultural payroll employment rose by 530,000 to 77.0 million (seasonally adjusted) in August. (See table B-1.) This sizeable employment gain followed an increase of 215,000 in July (as revised) and marks a substantial turnaround from the steep decline that began last fall. With the exception of mining, over-the-month employment gains were registered in all of the major industry divisions, as increases occurred in nearly three-quarters of the 172 industries in the BLS diffusion index (table B-6).

The largest employment increase among the major industry divisions occurred in manufacturing, where employment rose by 210,000. This gain was widespread throughout the durable and nondurable industries. Within durable goods, large increases took place in electrical equipment (35,000), primary metals (30,000), and fabricated metals and furniture (20,000 each), with lesser increases posted in most of the other industries.

In nondurables, notable employment increases were registered in textiles (30,000) and paper and allied products (15,000).

Employment in contract construction rose by 45,000 in August, as a result of the settlement of several large strikes. Over the past year, employment in this industry has dropped by over 570,000.

The service-producing sector, which was not nearly as buffeted by the recession, posted strong employment gains, highlighted by healthy pickups in services (100,000), State and local government (70,000), and retail trade (65,000). With a total August increase of 270,000, the service-producing sector provided 675,000 more jobs than it had a year earlier, while the goods-producing sector lost nearly 2.4 million, more than 1.8 million in manufacturing alone.

#### Hours

The average workweek for all production or nonsupervisory workers on nonfarm payrolls rose two-tenths of an hour in August to 36.3 hours, seasonally adjusted. (See table B-2.) Average weekly hours had also edged up in July, after holding steady for 3 consecutive months. However, the workweek remained 0.4 hour below the year-earlier level.

Much of the over-the-month gain in the workweek stemmed from a 0.3-hour pickup in manufacturing; this followed an 0.4-hour increase in the previous month. The August level was a full hour above the recession low of 38.8 hours reached in February and March but was still 1.1 hours below the pre-recession peak of early 1973. Factory overtime edged up 0.1 hour to 2.7 hours in August, a continuation of the small gains posted since April.

As a result of the big expansion in employment and the gain in the workweek, the index of aggregate hours of private nonfarm production or nonsupervisory employees rose 1.5 percent in August to 107.3 (1967=100). (See table B-5.) Factory worker-hours rose by an even larger amount--2.8 percent--to 89.5. This increase brought aggregate factory hours to a level 4.2 percent above their March 1975 low but still 14.4 percent below the December 1973 peak.

### Hourly and Weekly Earnings

Average hourly earnings of production or nonsupervisory workers on private nonagricultural payrolls rose 0.7 percent in August and 6.8 percent from a year ago (seasonally adjusted). Average weekly earnings increased 1.2 percent over the month. Since August 1974, weekly earnings have risen by 5.6 percent.

Before adjustment for seasonality, average hourly earnings rose 3 cents in August to \$4.55 and were up 29 cents from a year ago. Average weekly earnings were \$166.99, an increase of \$2.01 over the month and \$8.94 from last August. (See table B-3.)

### 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 174.0 (1967=100) in August, 0.8 percent higher than in July. The index was 8.6 percent above August a year ago. During the 12-month period ended in July, the Hourly Earnings Index in dollars of constant purchasing power declined 0.8 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 <sup>1</sup>			Seasonally adjusted					
	Aug. 1974	July 1975	Aug. 1975	Aug. 1974	Apr. 1975	May 1975	June 1975	July 1975	Aug. 1975
<b>TOTAL</b>									
Total noninstitutional population <sup>1</sup>	151,135	153,585	153,824	151,135	152,840	153,051	153,278	153,585	153,824
Total labor force	94,679	97,046	96,493	93,419	94,457	95,121	94,518	95,102	95,331
Participation rate	62.6	63.2	62.7	61.8	61.8	62.1	61.7	61.9	62.0
Civilian noninstitutional population <sup>1</sup>	148,916	151,399	151,639	148,916	150,645	150,870	151,100	151,399	151,639
Civilian labor force	92,459	94,859	94,308	91,199	92,262	92,940	92,340	92,916	93,146
Participation rate	62.1	62.7	62.2	61.2	61.2	61.6	61.1	61.4	61.4
Employed	87,575	86,650	86,612	86,274	84,086	84,402	84,444	85,078	85,352
Agriculture	3,851	4,090	3,886	3,451	3,238	3,512	3,304	3,450	3,468
Nonagricultural industries	83,724	82,560	82,726	82,823	80,848	80,890	81,140	81,628	81,884
Unemployed	4,885	8,209	7,696	4,925	8,176	8,538	7,896	7,838	7,794
Unemployment rate	5.3	8.7	8.2	5.4	8.9	9.2	8.6	8.4	8.4
Not in labor force	56,456	56,540	57,331	57,717	58,383	57,930	58,760	58,483	58,493
<b>Males, 20 years and over</b>									
Total noninstitutional population <sup>1</sup>	64,064	65,128	65,234	64,064	64,812	64,901	65,000	65,128	65,234
Total labor force	52,642	53,157	53,121	52,208	52,414	52,788	52,439	52,795	52,794
Participation rate	82.2	81.6	81.4	81.5	80.9	81.3	80.7	81.1	80.9
Civilian noninstitutional population <sup>1</sup>	62,273	63,403	63,498	62,405	63,080	63,180	63,282	63,403	63,498
Civilian labor force	50,850	51,432	51,385	50,535	50,683	51,067	50,721	51,070	51,058
Participation rate	81.7	81.1	80.9	81.0	80.3	80.8	80.2	80.5	80.4
Employed	49,084	48,061	48,250	48,515	47,123	47,333	47,661	47,999	47,682
Agriculture	2,634	2,591	2,579	2,516	2,399	2,457	2,394	2,435	2,463
Nonagricultural industries	46,450	45,470	45,671	45,999	44,724	44,876	45,267	45,564	45,219
Unemployed	1,766	3,371	3,136	1,901	3,560	3,734	3,555	3,571	3,376
Unemployment rate	3.5	6.6	6.1	3.8	7.0	7.3	7.0	7.0	6.6
Not in labor force	11,423	11,971	12,113	11,857	12,397	12,113	12,561	12,333	12,440
<b>Females, 20 years and over</b>									
Civilian noninstitutional population <sup>1</sup>	70,549	71,729	71,839	70,549	71,358	71,463	71,574	71,729	71,839
Civilian labor force	31,497	32,350	32,663	32,152	32,845	32,835	33,023	33,173	33,239
Participation rate	44.6	45.1	45.5	45.6	46.0	45.9	46.1	46.2	46.3
Employed	29,672	29,688	29,925	30,452	30,007	29,998	30,332	30,563	30,690
Agriculture	570	675	628	497	453	537	480	529	548
Nonagricultural industries	29,102	29,013	29,298	29,955	29,554	29,461	29,852	30,034	30,142
Unemployed	1,825	2,662	2,738	1,700	2,838	2,837	2,691	2,610	2,549
Unemployment rate	5.8	8.2	8.4	5.3	8.6	8.6	8.1	7.9	7.7
Not in labor force	39,052	39,379	39,176	38,397	38,513	38,628	38,551	38,556	38,600
<b>Both sexes, 16-19 years</b>									
Civilian noninstitutional population <sup>1</sup>	16,094	16,267	16,302	16,094	16,207	16,226	16,244	16,267	16,302
Civilian labor force	10,112	11,078	10,259	8,631	8,734	9,038	8,596	8,673	8,849
Participation rate	62.8	68.1	63.8	53.6	53.9	55.7	52.9	53.3	54.3
Employed	8,819	8,901	8,437	7,307	6,956	7,071	6,946	7,016	6,980
Agriculture	646	824	680	438	386	518	430	486	457
Nonagricultural industries	8,172	8,077	7,757	6,869	6,570	6,553	6,516	6,530	6,523
Unemployed	1,294	2,176	1,823	1,324	1,778	1,967	1,650	1,657	1,869
Unemployment rate	12.8	19.6	17.8	15.3	20.4	21.8	19.2	19.1	21.1
Not in labor force	5,982	5,189	6,042	7,463	7,473	7,188	7,648	7,594	7,453
<b>WHITE</b>									
Civilian noninstitutional population <sup>1</sup>	131,636	133,579	133,760	131,636	133,039	133,217	133,402	133,579	133,760
Civilian labor force	81,858	83,889	83,417	80,796	81,825	82,428	81,908	82,436	82,476
Participation rate	62.2	62.8	62.4	61.4	61.5	61.9	61.4	61.7	61.7
Employed	77,949	77,270	77,217	76,850	75,193	75,387	75,451	75,925	76,182
Unemployed	3,909	6,619	6,201	3,946	6,632	7,041	6,457	6,511	6,294
Unemployment rate	4.8	7.9	7.4	4.9	8.1	8.5	7.9	7.9	7.6
Not in labor force	49,778	49,690	50,343	50,840	51,214	50,789	51,494	51,143	51,284
<b>NEGRO AND OTHER RACES</b>									
Civilian noninstitutional population <sup>1</sup>	17,280	17,820	17,879	17,280	17,606	17,652	17,698	17,820	17,879
Civilian labor force	10,601	10,970	10,891	10,313	10,401	10,494	10,469	10,468	10,623
Participation rate	61.3	61.6	60.9	59.7	59.4	59.4	59.2	59.4	59.4
Employed	9,626	9,380	9,325	9,347	8,886	8,953	9,034	9,103	9,134
Unemployed	975	1,590	1,495	966	1,515	1,541	1,435	1,365	1,489
Unemployment rate	9.2	14.5	13.7	9.4	14.6	14.7	13.7	13.0	14.0
Not in labor force	6,679	6,850	6,988	6,967	7,205	7,158	7,229	7,352	7,256

<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.

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Table A-2. Major unemployment indicators, seasonally adjusted

Selected categories	Number of unemployed persons (in thousands)		Unemployment rates					
	Aug. 1974	Aug. 1975	Aug. 1974	Apr. 1975	May 1975	June 1975	July 1975	Aug. 1975
Total, 16 years and over	4,925	7,794	5.4	8.9	9.2	8.6	8.4	8.4
Males, 20 years and over	1,901	3,376	3.8	7.0	7.3	7.0	7.0	6.6
Females, 20 years and over	1,700	2,549	5.3	8.6	8.6	8.1	7.9	7.7
Both sexes, 16-19 years	1,324	1,869	15.3	20.4	21.8	19.2	19.1	21.1
Whites, total	3,946	6,294	4.9	8.1	8.5	7.9	7.9	7.6
Males, 20 years and over	1,579	2,797	3.5	6.4	6.8	6.4	6.6	6.1
Females, 20 years and over	1,346	1,988	4.8	8.2	8.2	7.6	7.4	6.9
Both sexes, 16-19 years	1,021	1,509	13.3	17.8	19.5	17.6	17.6	19.1
Negro and other races, total	966	1,489	9.4	14.6	14.7	13.7	13.0	14.0
Males, 20 years and over	328	589	6.4	12.6	12.0	11.9	11.4	11.1
Females, 20 years and over	347	553	8.2	11.2	12.2	11.7	10.8	12.6
Both sexes, 16-19 years	291	347	31.7	40.2	39.9	33.2	33.5	37.4
Household heads	1,663	2,953	3.2	6.0	6.3	6.1	6.0	5.5
Married man, spouse present	1,069	2,007	2.7	5.6	5.8	5.7	5.4	5.0
Full-time workers	3,762	6,208	4.8	8.6	8.8	8.2	8.1	8.2
Part-time workers	1,122	1,513	8.5	10.4	11.1	10.3	10.0	10.7
Unemployed 15 weeks and over <sup>1</sup>	940	2,842	1.0	2.6	2.8	3.1	3.2	3.1
State insured <sup>2</sup>	2,145	3,923	3.3	6.8	7.0	6.9 <sup>r</sup>	6.2	5.9
Labor force time lost <sup>3</sup>	--	--	5.8	9.7	9.9	8.9	8.8	8.6
OCCUPATION <sup>4</sup>								
White-collar workers	1,362	2,035	3.2	4.7	5.4	4.8	4.8	4.6
Professional and technical	280	389	2.2	3.4	3.6	3.2	3.6	2.9
Managers and administrators, except farm	172	273	1.9	3.3	3.5	3.0	2.9	3.0
Sales workers	209	344	3.7	5.8	5.9	6.0	4.9	5.9
Clerical workers	701	1,029	4.4	6.2	7.8	6.7	6.8	6.4
Blue-collar workers	2,102	3,661	6.6	13.0	13.0	12.6	12.1	11.5
Craft and kindred workers	520	996	4.3	9.0	9.3	9.4	9.6	8.2
Operatives	1,073	1,875	7.1	14.9	14.4	14.0	12.9	12.7
Nonfarm laborers	509	790	10.5	17.2	17.7	16.0	15.9	16.2
Service workers	773	1,199	6.3	8.2	8.7	8.5	8.3	9.3
Farm workers	83	119	2.7	4.0	3.7	3.3	2.6	3.8
INDUSTRY <sup>4</sup>								
Nonagricultural private wage and salary workers <sup>5</sup>	3,728	6,124	5.6	9.8	10.1	9.6	9.2	9.1
Construction	502	907	11.3	19.3	21.8	21.0	20.8	19.9
Manufacturing	1,204	2,211	5.5	12.2	12.3	12.0	11.1	10.5
Durable goods	643	1,396	4.9	12.8	12.7	12.9	11.5	11.3
Nondurable goods	561	815	6.4	11.4	11.6	10.7	10.4	9.5
Transportation and public utilities	172	273	3.5	6.6	6.7	5.8	5.6	5.7
Wholesale and retail trade	1,008	1,528	6.2	9.1	8.9	8.3	8.3	8.9
Finance and service industries	823	1,156	4.5	6.6	7.2	6.6	6.3	6.1
Government workers	414	615	2.9	3.8	4.9	3.9	4.3	4.0
Agricultural wage and salary workers	101	161	7.0	12.6	9.4	10.5	8.4	10.5
VETERAN STATUS								
Males, Vietnam-era veterans <sup>6</sup> :								
20 to 34 years	287	550	4.9	9.9	9.4	9.7	9.6	9.0
20 to 24 years	133	176	11.0	22.8	21.2	19.9	17.6	17.5
25 to 29 years	119	267	3.6	7.3	7.1	8.1	8.6	8.2
30 to 34 years	35	107	2.6	6.8	6.9	6.7	6.6	5.9
Males, nonveterans:								
20 to 34 years	828	1,377	6.1	10.4	10.7	10.0	10.5	9.6
20 to 24 years	517	864	8.7	14.5	14.7	12.9	14.4	13.6
25 to 29 years	173	339	4.4	6.9	8.5	9.4	8.6	8.0
30 to 34 years	138	174	3.7	7.2	5.9	5.9	5.9	4.7

<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> Men-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					
	Aug. 1974	Aug. 1975	Aug. 1974	Apr. 1975	May 1975	June 1975	July 1975	Aug. 1975
<b>Total employed, 18 years and over</b>	87,575	86,612	86,274	84,086	84,402	84,444	85,078	85,352
Males	54,043	52,915	52,522	50,873	51,172	50,861	51,287	51,448
Females	33,532	33,696	33,752	33,213	33,230	33,583	33,791	33,904
Household heads	51,059	50,524	51,057	49,796	49,924	49,903	50,241	50,524
Married men, spouse present	39,121	38,238	38,919	37,813	37,853	37,743	37,920	38,048
Married women, spouse present	19,191	19,023	19,860	19,376	19,317	19,478	19,692	19,693
<b>OCCUPATION</b>								
White-collar workers	41,394	42,224	41,746	42,098	42,127	42,528	42,499	42,593
Professional and technical	11,931	12,418	12,513	12,616	12,780	12,727	13,026	13,030
Managers and administrators, except farm	8,872	9,107	8,708	8,725	8,864	9,039	8,710	8,937
Sales workers	5,486	5,563	5,459	5,526	5,510	5,652	5,585	5,535
Clerical workers	15,105	15,136	15,066	15,231	14,973	15,110	15,178	15,091
Blue-collar workers	31,159	29,239	29,905	27,724	27,772	27,618	27,815	28,070
Craft and kindred workers	11,905	11,445	11,553	10,857	10,860	10,852	11,014	11,112
Operatives	14,364	13,176	14,022	12,855	12,733	12,586	12,662	12,867
Nonfarm laborers	4,891	4,619	4,330	4,012	4,179	4,180	4,139	4,091
Service workers	11,706	11,784	11,595	11,385	11,383	11,589	11,681	11,670
Farm workers	3,316	3,364	2,974	2,803	3,062	2,908	3,027	3,006
<b>MAJOR INDUSTRY AND CLASS OF WORKER</b>								
Agriculture:								
Wage and salary workers	1,565	1,602	1,336	1,156	1,344	1,230	1,357	1,368
Self-employed workers	1,806	1,769	1,723	1,735	1,762	1,730	1,714	1,688
Unpaid family workers	480	515	373	358	463	381	410	400
Nonagricultural industries:								
Wage and salary workers	77,520	76,554	76,707	74,759	74,768	75,114	75,350	75,826
Private households	1,413	1,375	1,418	1,315	1,411	1,472	1,353	1,379
Government	13,442	14,164	14,030	14,512	14,440	14,558	14,744	14,785
Other	62,665	61,015	61,259	58,932	58,917	59,084	59,253	59,662
Self-employed workers	5,768	5,687	5,749	5,648	5,569	5,659	5,689	5,670
Unpaid family workers	435	486	412	469	508	401	401	460
<b>PERSONS AT WORK<sup>1</sup></b>								
Nonagricultural industries	73,135	71,939	77,851	76,371	76,098	76,288	75,305	76,505
Full-time schedules	62,424	60,319	64,639	61,943	61,917	61,853	61,138	62,442
Part time for economic reasons	3,194	3,895	2,557	3,884	3,877	3,354	3,179	3,106
Usually work full time	1,323	1,535	1,180	1,883	1,764	1,530	1,486	1,369
Usually work part time	1,871	2,360	1,377	2,001	2,113	1,824	1,693	1,737
Part time for noneconomic reasons	7,517	7,725	10,655	10,544	10,304	11,081	10,988	10,957

<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					
	Aug. 1974	Aug. 1975	Aug. 1974	Apr. 1975	May 1975	June 1975	July 1975	Aug. 1975
Less than 5 weeks	2,500	2,668	2,506	2,897	3,134	2,692	2,823	2,676
5 to 14 weeks	1,564	2,548	1,449	2,695	2,620	2,498	2,120	2,361
15 weeks and over	820	2,481	940	2,403	2,643	2,887	2,998	2,842
15 to 26 weeks	435	998	560	1,452	1,568	1,561	1,604	1,383
27 weeks and over	386	1,482	380	951	1,075	1,326	1,394	1,459
Average (mean) duration, in weeks	9.6	15.2	9.9	12.9	13.4	15.4	15.4	15.7
<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	51.2	34.7	51.2	36.2	37.3	33.3	35.5	34.0
5 to 14 weeks	32.0	33.1	29.6	33.7	31.2	30.9	26.7	30.0
15 weeks and over	16.8	32.2	19.2	30.1	31.5	35.7	37.8	36.1
15 to 26 weeks	8.9	13.0	11.4	18.2	18.7	19.3	20.2	17.6
27 weeks and over	7.9	19.3	7.8	11.9	12.8	16.4	17.6	18.5

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Table A-5. Reasons for unemployment

[Numbers in thousands]

Reason	Not seasonally adjusted		Seasonally adjusted					
	Aug. 1974	Aug. 1975	Aug. 1974	Apr. 1975	May 1974	June 1975	July 1974	Aug. 1975
<b>NUMBER OF UNEMPLOYED</b>								
Lost last job .....	1,877	4,016	1,993	4,657	4,863	4,808	4,567	4,263
Left last job .....	843	848	772	806	869	779	826	777
Reentered labor force .....	1,462	1,877	1,463	1,916	2,114	1,846	1,771	1,879
Seeking first job .....	703	955	645	766	848	670	648	876
<b>PERCENT DISTRIBUTION</b>								
Total unemployed .....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Job losers .....	38.4	52.2	40.9	57.2	55.9	59.3	58.5	54.7
Job leavers .....	17.3	11.1	15.8	9.9	10.0	9.6	10.6	10.0
Reentrants .....	29.9	24.4	30.0	23.5	24.3	22.8	22.7	24.1
New entrants .....	14.4	12.4	13.2	9.4	9.8	8.3	8.3	11.2
<b>UNEMPLOYED AS A PERCENT OF THE CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE</b>								
Job losers .....	2.0	4.3	2.2	5.0	5.2	5.2	4.9	4.6
Job leavers .....	.9	.9	.8	.9	.9	.8	.9	.8
Reentrants .....	1.6	2.0	1.6	2.1	2.3	2.0	1.9	2.0
New entrants .....	.8	1.0	.7	.8	.9	.7	.7	.9

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	Aug. 1974	Apr. 1975	May 1975	June 1975	July 1975	Aug. 1975
	Aug. 1974	Aug. 1975							
Total, 16 years and over	4,885	7,696	82.3	5.4	8.9	9.2	8.6	8.4	8.4
16 to 19 years	1,294	1,823	64.9	15.3	20.4	21.8	19.2	19.1	21.1
16 to 17 years	607	820	44.5	17.3	21.5	22.8	20.3	19.9	23.1
18 to 19 years	687	1,002	81.6	13.9	19.7	21.2	18.2	18.4	19.5
20 to 24 years	1,282	1,836	89.2	9.4	14.6	14.8	12.8	13.6	13.1
25 years and over	2,310	4,037	87.0	3.4	6.3	6.4	6.6	6.2	5.8
25 to 54 years	1,892	3,429	88.6	3.5	6.7	6.9	7.0	6.6	6.2
55 years and over	417	608	78.0	3.1	5.1	4.9	4.9	4.8	4.5
Males, 16 years and over	2,441	4,102	88.1	4.8	8.3	8.5	8.1	8.1	7.9
16 to 19 years	675	967	68.7	15.4	21.7	21.2	20.6	19.9	21.7
16 to 17 years	353	439	47.6	18.8	22.8	22.7	21.5	21.0	23.5
18 to 19 years	322	528	86.2	12.4	21.3	19.9	19.4	19.0	19.8
20 to 24 years	627	1,002	93.4	9.2	15.8	15.6	14.0	14.8	14.2
25 years and over	1,139	2,133	94.4	2.9	5.6	5.8	5.9	5.7	5.3
25 to 54 years	888	1,782	96.7	2.8	5.9	6.2	6.3	6.0	5.6
55 years and over	251	351	82.6	3.0	4.9	4.8	4.7	4.6	4.3
Females, 16 years and over	2,443	3,594	75.7	6.4	9.7	10.2	9.2	9.0	9.1
16 to 19 years	618	856	60.7	15.3	18.7	22.4	17.6	18.2	20.5
16 to 17 years	253	381	41.2	15.3	19.8	22.9	18.7	18.6	22.5
18 to 19 years	365	475	76.4	15.6	17.8	22.6	16.8	17.8	19.3
20 to 24 years	655	833	84.2	9.6	13.3	13.9	11.4	12.1	11.7
25 years and over	1,170	1,904	78.7	4.2	7.5	7.5	7.6	7.0	6.6
25 to 54 years	1,004	1,647	79.8	4.5	8.1	8.0	8.1	7.5	7.1
55 years and over	166	258	71.3	3.2	5.4	5.1	5.2	5.1	4.9

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

(In thousands)

Industry	Not seasonally adjusted				Seasonally adjusted					
	Aug. 1974	June 1975	July 1975 P	Aug. 1975 P	Aug. 1974	Apr. 1975	May 1975	June 1975	July 1975 P	Aug. 1975 P
<b>TOTAL</b> .....	78,561	77,117	76,305	76,881	78,661	76,349	76,428	76,291	76,507	77,035
<b>GOODS-PRODUCING</b> .....	25,264	22,535	22,324	22,909	24,753	22,268	22,300	22,208	22,157	22,413
<b>MINING</b> .....	690	726	728	729	676	703	710	710	714	714
<b>CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION</b> .....	4,286	3,583	3,621	3,713	3,965	3,475	3,472	3,416	3,390	3,435
<b>MANUFACTURING</b> .....	20,288	18,226	17,975	18,467	20,112	18,090	18,118	18,082	18,053	18,264
<i>Production workers</i> .....	14,826	12,974	12,742	13,235	14,675	12,826	12,870	12,855	12,837	13,059
<b>DURABLE GOODS</b> .....	11,910	10,579	10,371	10,582	11,899	10,554	10,525	10,480	10,409	10,540
<i>Production workers</i> .....	8,642	7,465	7,272	7,498	8,640	7,426	7,409	7,377	7,314	7,466
Ordnance and accessories .....	183.0	178.6	175.0	173.4	183	182	182	179	175	173
Lumber and wood products .....	657.7	581.1	586.0	594.7	637	544	557	564	572	576
Furniture and fixtures .....	536.6	449.1	441.2	472.5	533	445	448	447	450	469
Stone, clay, and glass products .....	710.7	618.3	615.2	632.9	694	608	608	604	605	618
Primary metal industries .....	1,340.6	1,158.2	1,128.2	1,149.3	1,339	1,177	1,156	1,139	1,118	1,148
Fabricated metal products .....	1,500.6	1,310.7	1,270.3	1,303.8	1,504	1,310	1,303	1,300	1,286	1,306
Machinery, except electrical .....	2,199.6	2,031.3	1,984.3	1,988.1	2,217	2,073	2,042	2,015	1,992	2,004
Electrical equipment .....	2,000.4	1,717.4	1,688.1	1,733.5	2,004	1,730	1,721	1,714	1,702	1,737
Transportation equipment .....	1,781.0	1,638.3	1,596.8	1,626.9	1,803	1,594	1,618	1,627	1,613	1,615
Instruments and related products .....	537.0	493.3	490.1	489.6	534	495	491	491	491	487
Miscellaneous manufacturing .....	462.5	402.8	390.1	417.0	451	396	399	400	405	407
<b>NONDURABLE GOODS</b> .....	8,378	7,647	7,604	7,885	8,213	7,536	7,593	7,602	7,644	7,724
<i>Production workers</i> .....	6,184	5,509	5,470	5,737	6,035	5,400	5,461	5,478	5,523	5,593
Food and kindred products .....	1,838.5	1,670.4	1,717.1	1,816.1	1,713	1,669	1,673	1,675	1,683	1,693
Tobacco manufactures .....	83.8	67.9	70.2	80.8	77	75	75	75	77	74
Textile mill products .....	1,013.7	914.7	894.2	937.4	1,011	877	897	905	907	935
Apparel and other textile products .....	1,348.9	1,220.5	1,179.8	1,240.0	1,341	1,181	1,197	1,208	1,230	1,233
Paper and allied products .....	715.2	639.5	636.2	656.6	710	633	635	632	637	651
Printing and publishing .....	1,111.4	1,064.2	1,059.7	1,063.3	1,115	1,078	1,074	1,068	1,063	1,066
Chemicals and allied products .....	1,076.4	1,014.0	1,011.2	1,020.6	1,069	1,007	1,008	1,005	1,003	1,014
Petroleum and coal products .....	200.4	196.3	199.8	199.1	195	189	191	192	195	194
Rubber and plastics products, nec. ....	697.1	588.7	581.7	600.5	696	575	582	583	588	599
Leather and leather products .....	292.1	265.6	254.3	270.2	286	252	256	259	261	265
<b>SERVICE-PRODUCING</b> .....	53,297	54,582	53,981	53,972	53,908	54,081	54,128	54,083	54,350	54,622
<b>TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC UTILITIES</b> .....	4,734	4,532	4,515	4,516	4,701	4,511	4,495	4,474	4,470	4,480
<b>WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE</b> .....	17,058	16,944	16,877	16,907	17,140	16,794	16,820	16,868	16,919	16,988
<b>WHOLESALE TRADE</b> .....	4,306	4,215	4,225	4,231	4,272	4,213	4,208	4,190	4,191	4,197
<b>RETAIL TRADE</b> .....	12,752	12,729	12,652	12,676	12,868	12,581	12,612	12,678	12,728	12,791
<b>FINANCE, INSURANCE, AND REAL ESTATE</b> .....	4,222	4,200	4,213	4,213	4,168	4,163	4,161	4,154	4,151	4,159
<b>SERVICES</b> .....	13,668	13,945	13,980	14,026	13,573	13,754	13,759	13,752	13,828	13,929
<b>GOVERNMENT</b> .....	13,615	14,961	14,396	14,310	14,326	14,859	14,893	14,835	14,982	15,066
<b>FEDERAL</b> .....	2,759	2,771	2,800	2,781	2,740	2,729	2,730	2,730	2,750	2,762
<b>STATE AND LOCAL</b> .....	10,856	12,190	11,596	11,529	11,586	12,130	12,163	12,105	12,232	12,304

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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					
	Aug. 1974	June 1975	July 1975 <sup>p</sup>	Aug. 1975 <sup>p</sup>	Aug. 1974	Apr. 1975	May 1975	June 1975	July 1975 <sup>p</sup>	Aug. 1975 <sup>p</sup>
<b>TOTAL PRIVATE</b> .....	37.1	36.3	36.5	36.7	36.7	36.0	36.0	36.0	36.1	36.3
<b>MINING</b> .....	43.1	42.7	42.0	40.5	42.9	41.2	42.6	42.3	41.8	40.3
<b>CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION</b> .....	37.6	36.4	37.3	37.8	36.4	36.7	36.9	35.7	36.3	36.6
<b>MANUFACTURING</b> .....	40.1	39.4	39.3	39.7	40.2	39.1	39.0	39.1	39.5	39.8
<i>Overtime hours</i> .....	3.5	2.5	2.5	2.8	3.4	2.3	2.4	2.4	2.6	2.7
<b>DURABLE GOODS</b> .....	40.6	39.9	39.5	40.1	40.9	39.7	39.4	39.6	39.8	40.4
<i>Overtime hours</i> .....	3.6	2.4	2.3	2.7	3.6	2.4	2.2	2.3	2.4	2.7
Ordnance and accessories .....	41.3	41.6	39.9	41.2	41.3	41.3	41.1	41.6	40.3	41.2
Lumber and wood products .....	40.1	39.8	39.1	40.0	39.9	38.8	38.9	39.2	39.2	39.8
Furniture and fixtures .....	39.4	38.0	37.3	39.0	38.9	37.2	37.5	37.7	37.7	38.5
Stone, clay, and glass products .....	41.8	40.7	40.8	41.0	41.3	40.3	40.2	40.3	40.6	40.6
Primary metal industries .....	41.5	39.7	39.5	40.6	41.8	39.6	39.3	39.5	39.6	40.8
Fabricated metal products .....	41.0	39.9	39.4	39.9	41.0	39.7	39.4	39.5	39.6	39.9
Machinery, except electrical .....	42.2	40.5	40.1	40.5	42.7	40.9	40.4	40.4	40.5	41.0
Electrical equipment .....	39.6	39.4	38.9	39.4	39.6	39.4	39.1	39.3	39.5	39.4
Transportation equipment .....	39.5	40.4	40.7	40.5	40.7	40.4	39.5	39.8	40.7	41.7
Instruments and related products .....	40.1	39.4	39.1	39.2	40.4	39.1	39.2	39.4	39.5	39.5
Miscellaneous manufacturing .....	38.8	38.5	37.8	38.4	38.7	38.2	38.2	38.5	38.2	38.3
<b>NONDURABLE GOODS</b> .....	39.4	38.8	38.9	39.3	39.2	38.0	38.3	38.7	38.8	39.1
<i>Overtime hours</i> .....	3.3	2.7	2.7	3.0	3.1	2.2	2.5	2.7	2.7	2.9
Food and kindred products .....	41.0	40.1	40.4	40.6	40.4	39.9	39.9	40.0	40.1	40.0
Tobacco manufactures .....	38.1	39.6	34.2	36.9	37.6	38.4	36.9	39.4	34.4	36.4
Textile mill products .....	39.6	39.6	39.3	40.4	39.5	37.8	38.9	39.2	39.6	40.3
Apparel and other textile products .....	35.6	35.2	35.4	35.7	35.3	34.3	34.4	35.1	35.3	35.4
Paper and allied products .....	42.3	41.6	41.7	42.3	42.1	40.4	40.9	41.5	41.7	42.1
Printing and publishing .....	38.0	36.8	36.7	37.3	37.8	36.8	36.7	36.7	36.7	37.2
Chemicals and allied products .....	41.5	40.9	40.8	41.1	41.8	40.3	40.6	40.8	41.0	41.3
Petroleum and coal products .....	42.0	41.4	41.8	39.5	41.9	40.9	41.4	41.2	41.2	39.4
Rubber and plastics products, nec .....	40.7	39.8	39.8	40.4	40.7	39.1	39.5	39.6	40.1	40.4
Leather and leather products .....	37.2	38.2	38.2	38.1	37.2	36.5	36.6	37.6	37.7	38.1
<b>TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC UTILITIES</b> .....	40.8	39.7	39.9	40.1	40.5	39.9	39.3	39.4	39.5	39.8
<b>WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE</b> .....	34.9	34.1	34.6	34.6	34.1	33.7	33.9	33.8	33.7	33.8
<b>WHOLESALE TRADE</b> .....	38.9	38.6	38.7	38.7	38.7	38.6	38.6	38.5	38.5	38.5
<b>RETAIL TRADE</b> .....	33.6	32.8	33.3	33.4	32.6	32.2	32.5	32.4	32.2	32.4
<b>FINANCE, INSURANCE, AND REAL ESTATE</b> .....	36.9	36.5	36.4	36.4	36.8	36.2	36.4	36.5	36.3	36.3
<b>SERVICES</b> .....	34.6	34.1	34.3	34.4	34.1	33.9	34.0	34.0	33.7	33.9

<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.  
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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			
	Aug. 1974	June 1975	July 1975 <sup>P</sup>	Aug. 1975 <sup>P</sup>	Aug. 1974	June 1975	July 1975 <sup>P</sup>	Aug. 1975 <sup>P</sup>
<b>TOTAL PRIVATE</b> .....	\$4.26	\$4.50	\$4.52	\$4.55	\$158.05	\$163.35	\$164.98	\$166.99
<i>Seasonally adjusted</i> .....	4.27	4.50	4.53	4.56	156.71	162.00	163.53	165.53
<b>MINING</b> .....	5.27	5.86	5.87	5.88	227.14	250.22	246.54	238.14
<b>CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION</b> .....	6.86	7.18	7.22	7.34	257.94	261.35	269.31	277.45
<b>MANUFACTURING</b> .....	4.44	4.76	4.79	4.82	178.04	187.54	188.25	191.35
<b>DURABLE GOODS</b> .....	4.72	5.09	5.11	5.17	191.63	203.09	201.85	207.32
Ordnance and accessories .....	4.73	5.19	5.20	5.26	195.35	215.90	207.48	216.71
Lumber and wood products .....	4.01	4.24	4.29	4.34	160.80	168.75	167.74	173.60
Furniture and fixtures .....	3.53	3.72	3.72	3.75	139.08	141.36	138.76	146.25
Stone, clay, and glass products .....	4.60	4.87	4.93	4.93	192.28	198.21	201.14	202.13
Primary metal industries .....	5.72	6.07	6.09	6.30	237.38	240.98	240.56	255.78
Fabricated metal products .....	4.66	5.02	5.03	5.09	191.06	200.30	198.18	203.09
Machinery, except electrical .....	4.95	5.31	5.33	5.38	208.89	215.06	213.73	217.89
Electrical equipment .....	4.16	4.57	4.59	4.64	164.74	180.06	178.55	182.82
Transportation equipment .....	5.47	5.95	5.99	6.05	216.07	240.38	243.79	245.03
Instruments and related products .....	4.23	4.52	4.55	4.57	169.62	178.09	177.91	179.14
Miscellaneous manufacturing .....	3.52	3.78	3.78	3.80	136.58	145.53	142.88	145.92
<b>NONDURABLE GOODS</b> .....	4.04	4.31	4.36	4.35	159.18	167.23	169.60	170.96
Food and kindred products .....	4.17	4.53	4.54	4.53	170.97	181.65	183.42	183.92
Tobacco manufactures .....	4.13	4.90	4.69	4.38	157.35	194.04	160.40	161.62
Textile mill products .....	3.27	3.33	3.34	3.37	129.49	131.87	131.26	136.15
Apparel and other textile products .....	3.05	3.16	3.16	3.17	108.58	111.23	111.86	113.17
Paper and allied products .....	4.58	4.95	5.03	5.07	193.73	205.92	209.75	214.46
Printing and publishing .....	3.01	3.34	3.37	3.39	190.38	196.51	197.08	201.05
Chemicals and allied products .....	4.91	5.34	5.41	5.43	203.77	218.41	220.73	223.17
Petroleum and coal products .....	5.72	6.41	6.54	6.56	240.24	265.37	273.37	259.12
Rubber and plastics products, nec .....	4.09	4.32	4.42	4.38	166.46	171.94	175.92	176.95
Leather and leather products .....	3.04	3.21	3.21	3.21	113.09	122.62	122.62	122.30
<b>TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC UTILITIES</b> .....	5.42	5.82	5.89	6.00	221.14	231.05	235.01	240.60
<b>WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE</b> .....	3.50	3.74	3.74	3.74	122.15	127.53	129.40	129.40
<b>WHOLESALE TRADE</b> .....	4.53	4.86	4.88	4.91	176.22	187.60	188.86	190.02
<b>RETAIL TRADE</b> .....	3.12	3.33	3.34	3.33	104.83	109.22	111.22	111.22
<b>FINANCE, INSURANCE, AND REAL ESTATE</b> .....	3.82	4.15	4.13	4.14	140.96	151.48	150.33	150.70
<b>SERVICES</b> .....	3.73	4.00	4.00	4.00	129.06	136.40	137.20	137.60

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

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**Table B-4. Hourly earnings index for production or nonsupervisory workers<sup>1</sup> on private nonagricultural payrolls, by industry division, seasonally adjusted**

[1967=100]

Industry	Aug. 1974	Mar. 1975	Apr. 1975	May 1975	June 1975	July <sup>P</sup> 1975	Aug. <sup>P</sup> 1975	Percent change from	
								Aug. 1974 - Aug. 1975	July 1975 - Aug. 1975
<b>TOTAL PRIVATE NONFARM:</b>									
Current dollars	160.2	168.8	168.8	170.0	171.9	172.6	174.0	8.6	0.8
Constant (1967) dollars	107.0	107.0	106.3	106.8	107.1	106.3	N.A.	(2)	(3)
<b>MINING</b>	165.7	178.6	178.2	180.9	182.6	183.5	185.0	11.7	.8
<b>CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION</b>	166.8	173.6	173.0	173.0	176.0	176.8	178.7	7.1	1.1
<b>MANUFACTURING</b>	158.0	167.6	168.0	169.2	170.8	171.8	173.1	9.6	.8
<b>TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC UTILITIES</b>	167.1	176.5	176.5	178.6	180.6	181.7	184.4	10.4	1.5
<b>WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE</b>	157.2	164.6	164.6	166.4	167.7	168.3	169.0	7.5	.4
<b>FINANCE, INSURANCE, AND REAL ESTATE</b>	149.8	159.6	158.4	160.0	162.9	161.4	162.6	8.5	.7
<b>SERVICES</b>	163.4	171.8	171.7	172.5	174.3	174.4	175.4	7.4	.6

<sup>1</sup> See footnote 1, table B-2.<sup>2</sup> Percent change was -0.8 from July 1974 to July 1975, the latest month available.<sup>3</sup> Percent change was -0.8 from June 1975 to July 1975, the latest month available.

N.A. = not available.

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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.

**Table B-5. Indexes of aggregate weekly man-hours of production or nonsupervisory workers<sup>1</sup> on private nonagricultural payrolls, by industry, seasonally adjusted**

[1967 = 100]

Industry division and group	1974					1975							
	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July <sup>P</sup>	Aug. <sup>P</sup>
<b>TOTAL</b>	113.4	113.4	113.0	111.2	109.7	108.7	106.7	105.5	105.6	106.0	105.8	105.7	107.3
<b>GOODS-PRODUCING</b>	103.8	103.7	103.0	99.4	96.5	94.1	90.0	88.0	88.9	89.2	88.8	89.1	91.3
<b>MINING</b>	109.9	112.3	114.0	95.8	100.9	113.3	113.5	112.1	109.5	114.9	113.6	112.9	108.7
<b>CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION</b>	115.6	115.2	116.5	114.4	113.1	111.9	103.4	94.9	99.4	100.3	95.4	96.1	98.5
<b>MANUFACTURING</b>	101.6	101.3	100.3	96.9	93.4	90.3	86.9	85.9	86.3	86.4	86.8	87.1	89.5
<b>DURABLE GOODS</b>	102.5	102.5	101.7	98.1	94.4	91.0	86.9	85.8	85.7	84.8	84.8	84.5	87.3
Ordnance and accessories	47.7	49.1	49.0	49.0	49.5	49.3	48.2	48.2	48.3	48.1	47.5	44.9	43.7
Furniture and fixtures	103.4	99.9	95.8	90.6	87.8	84.1	83.0	81.9	83.7	86.3	87.7	89.0	91.3
Lumber and wood products	112.3	111.0	107.4	100.6	96.1	89.2	86.3	85.4	87.7	89.4	89.7	90.4	97.2
Stone, clay, and glass products	110.6	108.8	107.7	105.2	101.7	98.1	93.9	91.0	92.4	92.4	92.2	93.3	95.9
Primary metal industries	102.6	104.6	105.0	102.3	97.7	94.0	89.5	86.1	83.1	80.9	80.0	78.3	83.9
Fabricated metal products	108.1	107.8	105.8	101.9	98.4	93.4	90.1	88.9	88.6	87.4	87.5	86.3	89.0
Machinery, except electrical	109.2	109.9	109.7	108.5	106.0	103.3	99.3	96.6	95.1	91.9	90.4	89.0	91.7
Electrical equipment and supplies	100.8	102.5	101.2	96.3	92.3	89.6	84.6	83.7	82.9	81.8	81.9	81.7	84.4
Transportation equipment	91.1	90.5	92.0	87.0	81.9	78.4	73.1	75.6	78.3	78.3	79.6	80.6	82.6
Instruments and related products	115.8	114.2	113.0	111.3	108.9	106.8	102.1	100.0	100.0	98.9	99.4	99.3	98.9
Miscellaneous manufacturing, Ind.	103.0	101.3	98.7	94.6	90.2	88.5	86.0	85.1	85.9	86.5	87.4	88.2	89.3
<b>NONDURABLE GOODS</b>	100.2	99.5	98.2	95.0	92.0	89.3	86.8	86.1	87.1	88.7	89.7	90.8	92.6
Food and kindred products	97.3	97.9	97.4	95.6	94.7	93.0	92.4	93.4	92.9	93.6	93.7	94.6	95.1
Tobacco manufactures	84.5	82.5	83.1	81.4	83.4	86.4	85.8	86.5	83.6	80.3	84.4	77.3	79.2
Textile mill products	100.4	98.8	93.7	89.5	83.9	78.7	76.9	78.0	82.2	87.1	88.5	89.8	94.4
Apparel and other textile products	91.7	91.3	90.3	85.9	81.3	78.8	76.1	75.3	77.9	79.3	81.8	84.0	84.2
Paper and allied products	102.5	101.8	99.3	96.8	94.4	92.0	88.0	85.8	85.0	86.5	87.4	88.9	91.2
Printing and publishing	100.2	99.1	99.1	96.9	96.4	96.6	94.5	92.9	92.1	91.4	90.8	90.2	92.0
Chemicals and allied products	106.0	105.5	105.1	103.3	100.3	97.1	95.4	93.2	92.2	93.5	93.7	94.3	96.6
Petroleum and coal products	105.4	106.1	108.0	107.0	106.4	100.5	97.7	101.7	98.7	101.6	102.8	103.6	99.1
Rubber and plastics products, nec	135.8	134.1	134.6	125.3	118.6	114.7	105.1	101.3	103.8	106.3	107.5	109.6	113.4
Leather and leather products	78.6	76.6	75.7	74.8	71.9	68.7	65.8	64.2	67.4	68.8	71.7	72.5	74.6
<b>SERVICE-PRODUCING</b>	120.0	120.2	119.9	119.4	118.9	118.9	118.2	117.7	117.2	117.5	117.5	117.2	118.3
<b>TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC UTILITIES</b>	109.3	108.4	108.9	107.5	107.1	105.9	103.9	102.6	102.5	100.6	100.4	100.5	101.5
<b>WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE</b>	116.7	116.8	116.3	115.4	114.2	113.8	113.4	113.3	112.8	113.7	113.8	113.7	114.5
WHOLESALE TRADE	115.2	115.8	115.4	114.9	114.5	114.0	113.0	112.2	112.5	112.3	111.5	111.6	111.6
RETAIL TRADE	117.2	117.2	116.6	115.6	114.1	113.7	113.5	113.7	112.9	114.2	114.6	114.4	115.6
<b>FINANCE, INSURANCE, AND REAL ESTATE</b>	123.7	124.3	123.8	123.0	123.7	124.2	123.2	121.8	120.4	121.1	121.4	120.5	120.9
<b>SERVICES</b>	128.3	129.0	128.7	129.2	129.3	130.2	129.9	129.5	129.0	129.5	129.3	128.9	130.5

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

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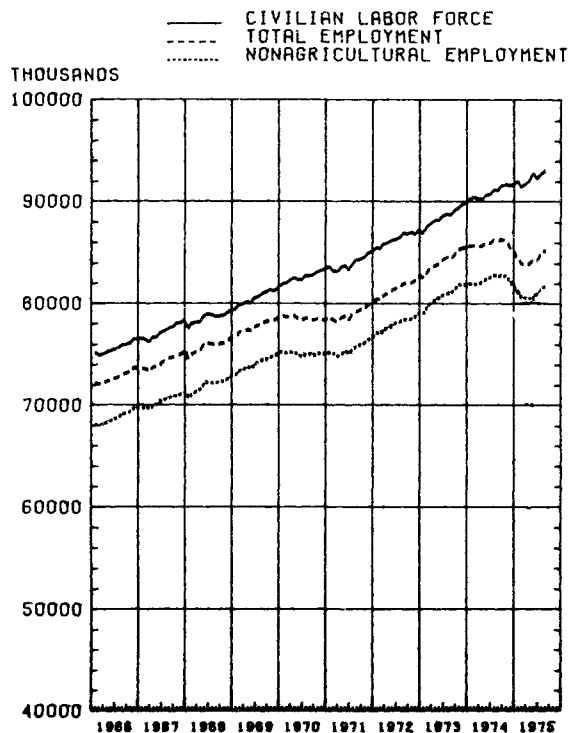
Table B-6. Indexes of diffusion: Percent of industries in which employment<sup>1</sup> increased

Year and month	Over 1-month span	Over 3-month span	Over 6-month span	Over 12-month span
<b>1972</b>				
January .....	68.6	71.2	78.8	77.3
February .....	70.6	80.5	82.0	81.7
March .....	75.0	80.8	84.9	79.7
April .....	76.2	84.0	79.7	82.3
May .....	75.6	82.8	81.1	84.3
June .....	77.6	74.4	82.6	84.3
July .....	45.6	74.4	84.6	83.7
August .....	73.0	74.4	82.0	84.0
September .....	74.7	82.0	80.2	85.2
October .....	82.6	83.4	82.8	83.1
November .....	73.5	79.4	82.3	82.0
December .....	75.3	80.5	84.6	84.3
<b>1973</b>				
January .....	73.8	82.0	82.3	80.5
February .....	73.3	81.1	77.9	83.1
March .....	76.2	79.4	80.8	84.9
April .....	66.9	77.0	75.9	85.8
May .....	57.8	73.5	76.5	86.3
June .....	72.1	66.6	74.7	84.0
July .....	59.9	73.0	73.8	79.1
August .....	66.6	68.6	74.7	74.4
September .....	59.6	74.7	71.8	68.9
October .....	75.9	78.2	72.1	64.5
November .....	77.3	72.4	68.3	65.1
December .....	58.7	68.6	62.5	61.6
<b>1974</b>				
January .....	62.5	54.9	55.8	61.6
February .....	47.1	50.9	50.9	59.0
March .....	48.0	44.8	50.0	54.9
April .....	54.1	51.7	49.4	48.0
May .....	55.5	56.4	50.0	40.7
June .....	58.7	52.0	50.6	30.5
July .....	48.8	46.8	39.5	25.9
August .....	52.3	42.2	34.3	22.4
September .....	38.1	43.6	27.3	20.1
October .....	40.4	29.1	20.3	18.6
November .....	19.2	20.9	18.0	16.3
December .....	19.8	13.7	14.2	13.4
<b>1975</b>				
January .....	17.7	13.7	13.7	16.3p
February .....	16.6	14.0	12.8	16.3p
March .....	26.2	19.8	16.9	
April .....	42.2	35.2	32.0p	
May .....	54.1	43.9	46.8p	
June .....	43.0	50.0p		
July .....	54.9p	58.1p		
August .....	72.4p			
September .....				
October .....				
November .....				
December .....				

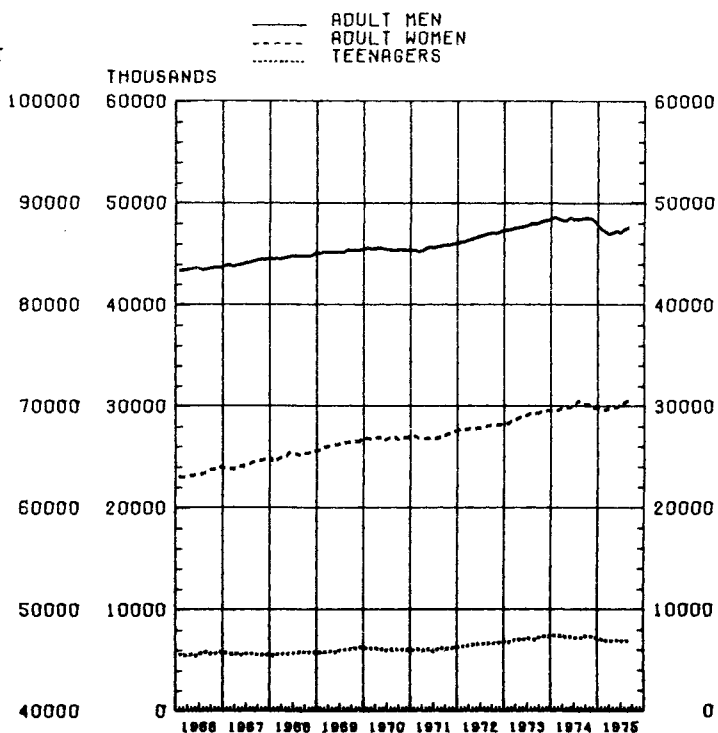
<sup>1</sup> Number of employees, seasonally adjusted, on payrolls of 172 private, nonagricultural industries.  
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# LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT, UNEMPLOYMENT HOUSEHOLD DATA - SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

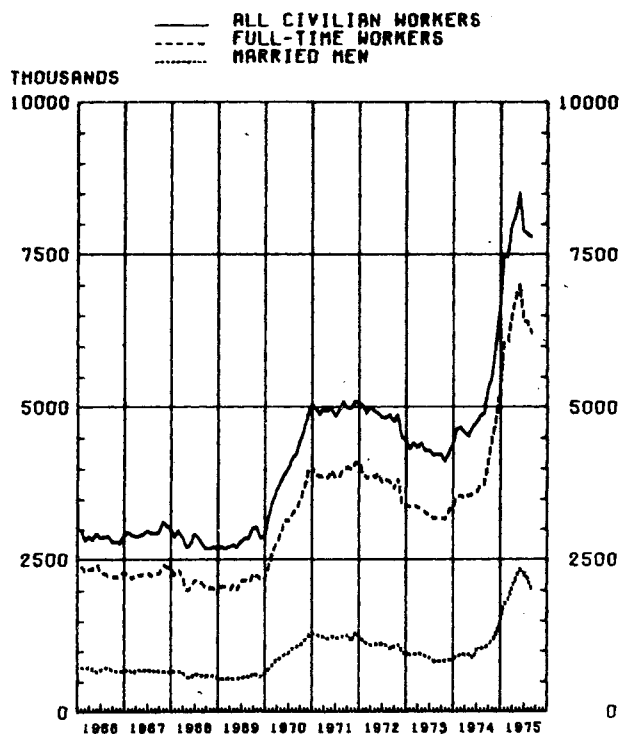
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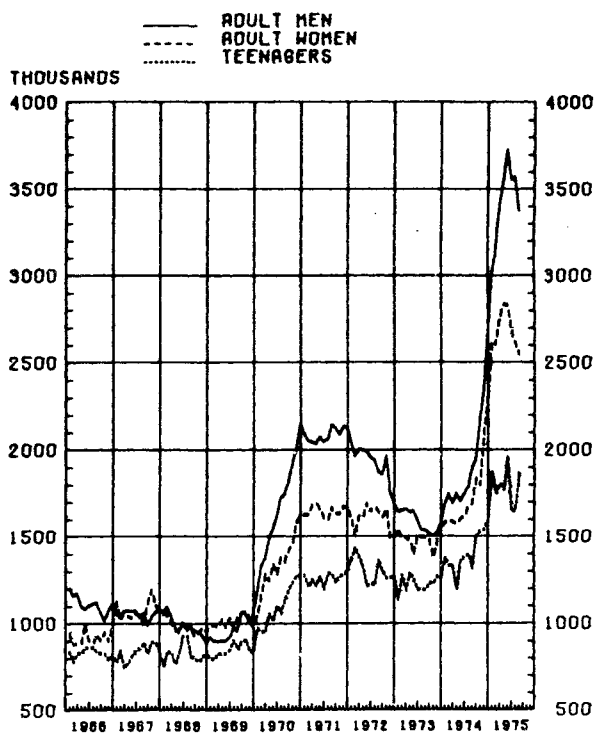
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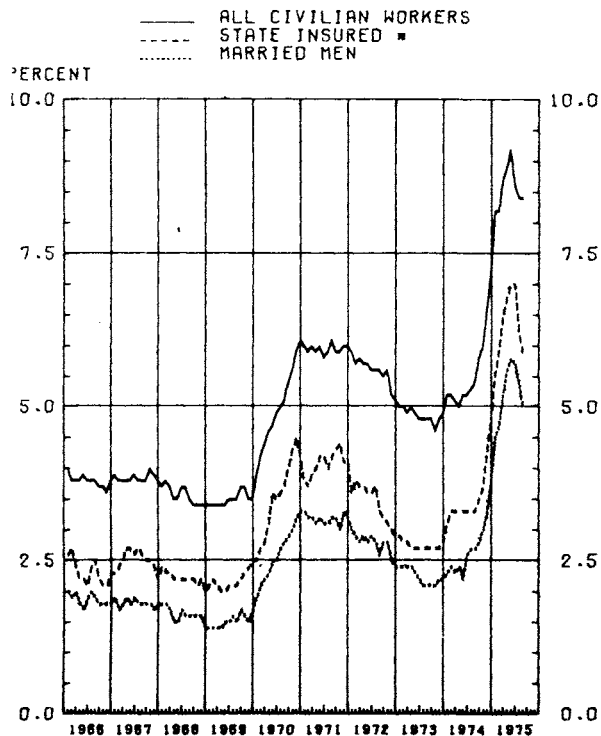


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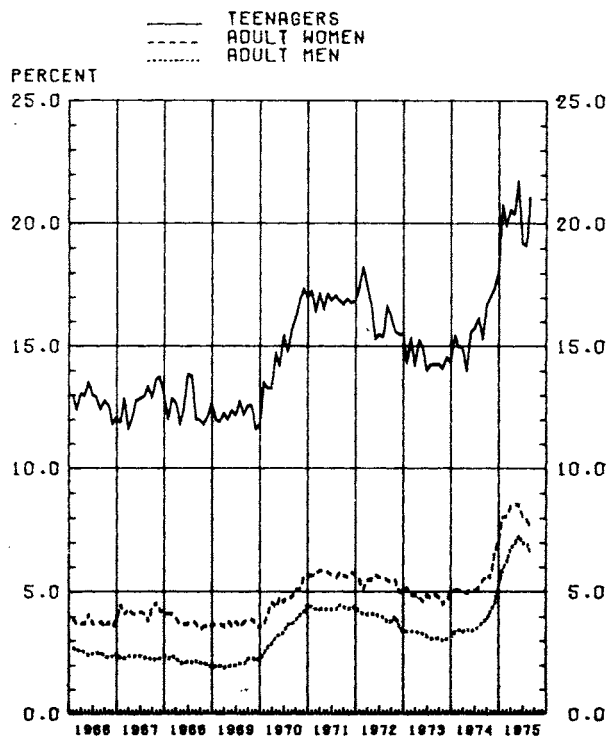


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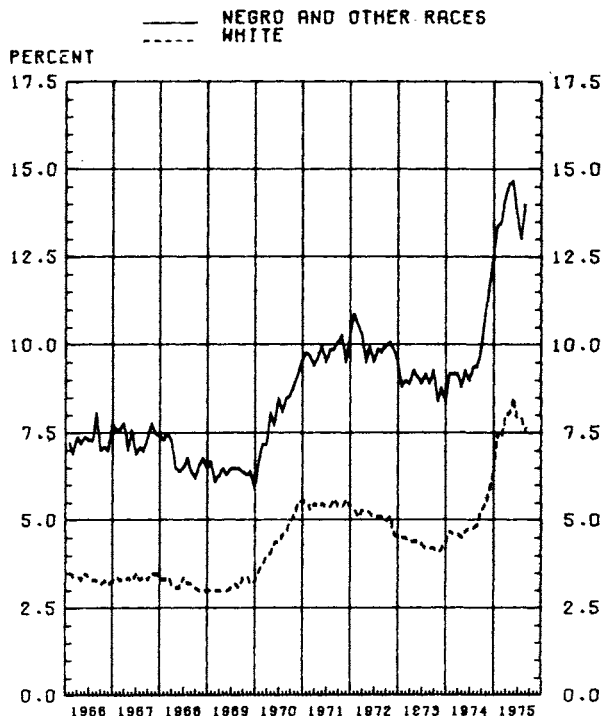
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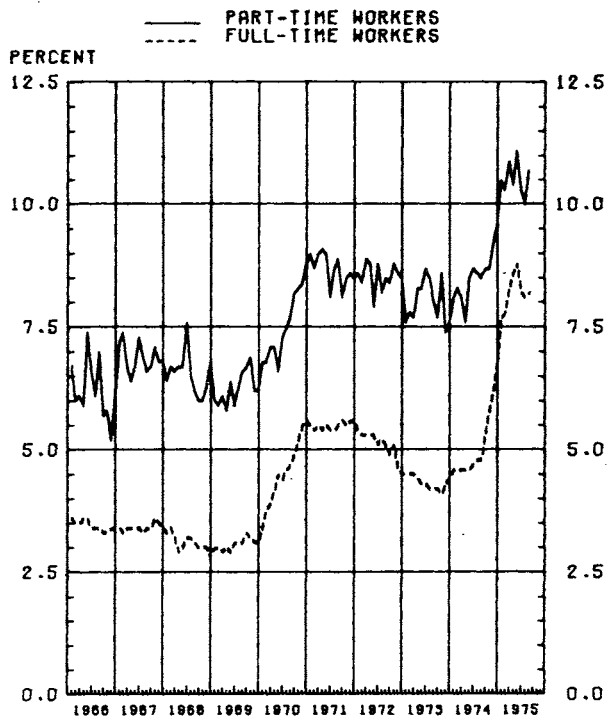
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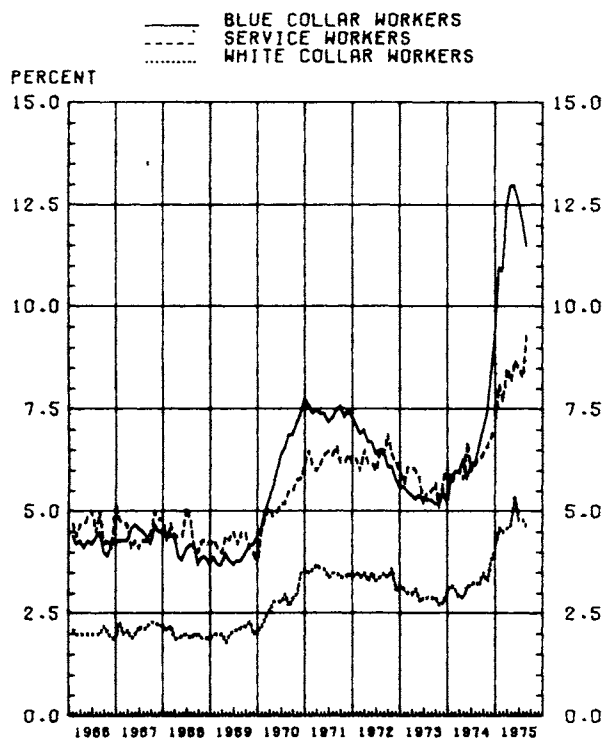
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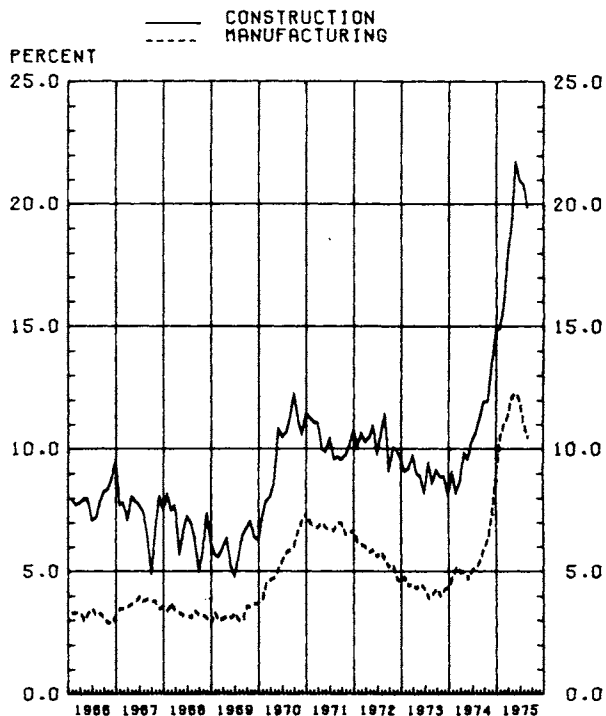
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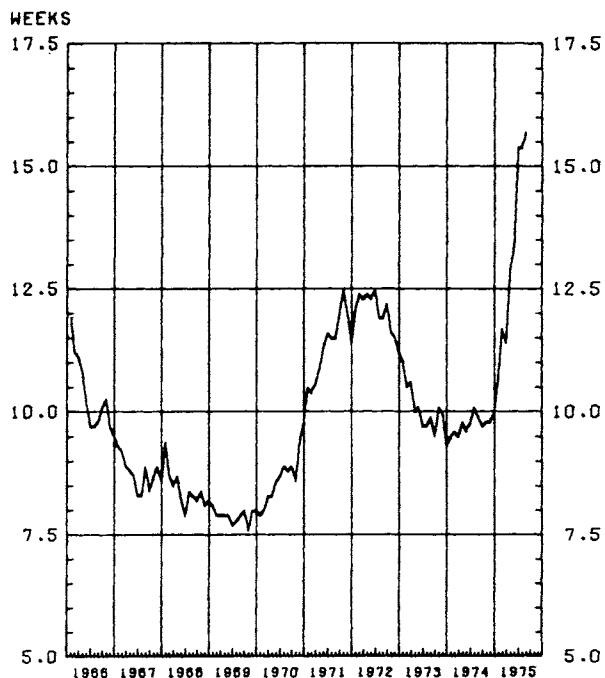
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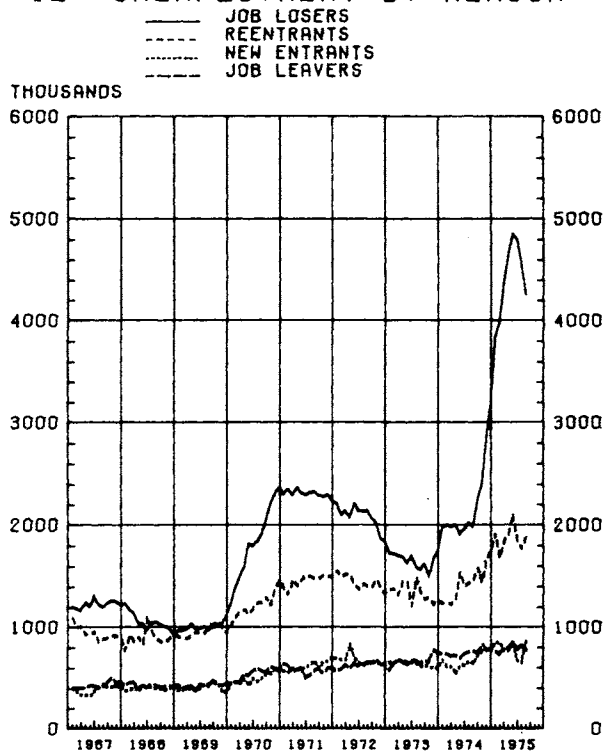
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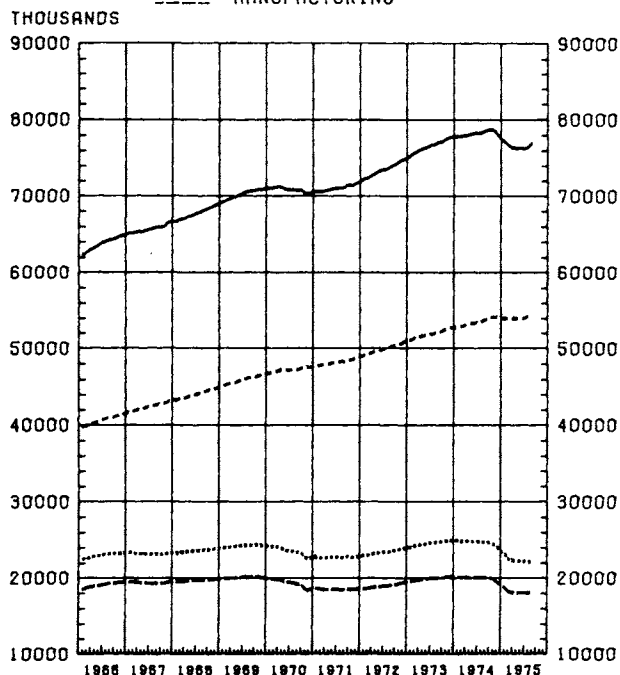
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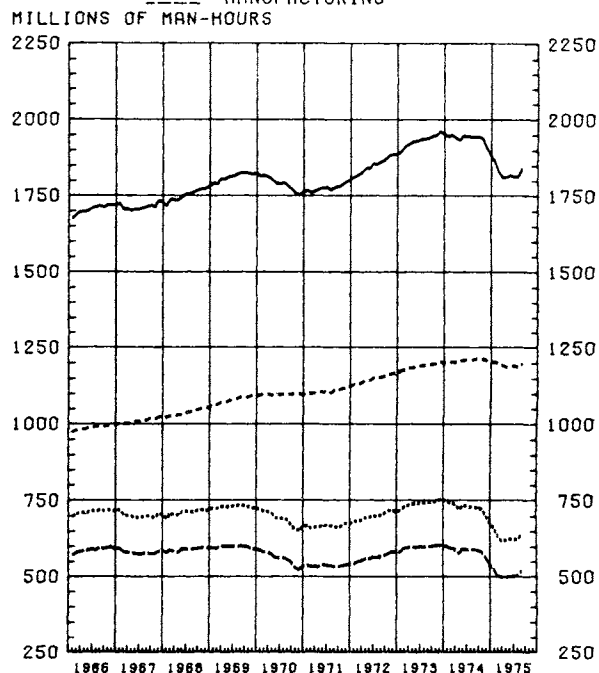
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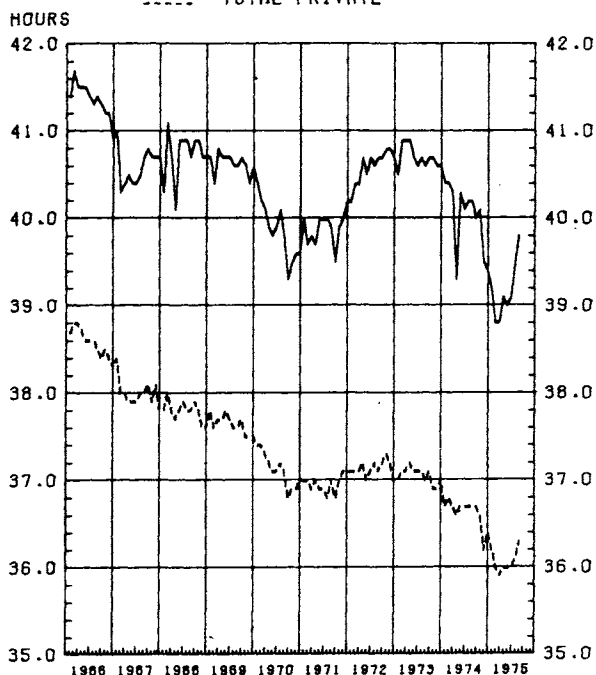
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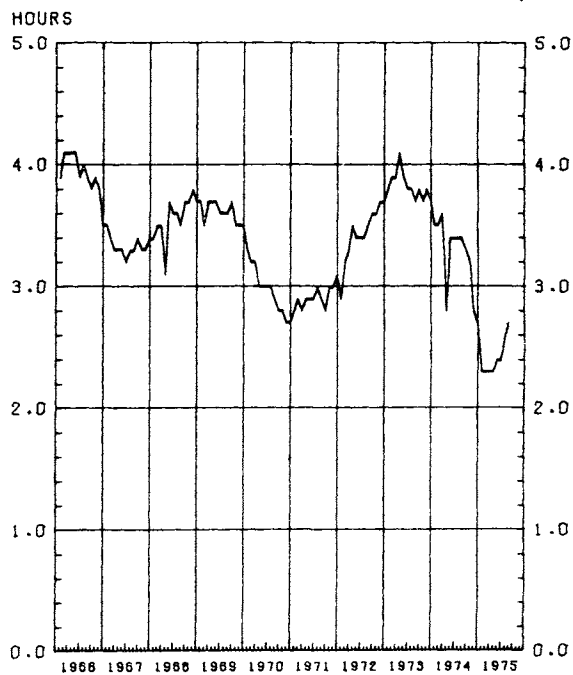


## 15. AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS

— 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.