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### THE EMPLOYMENT SITUATION: OCTOBER 1975

Unemployment rose in October and total employment remained about unchanged, while nonagricultural employment continued to increase, it was reported today by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U. S. Department of Labor.

The unemployment rate returned to the June level of 8.6 percent, after holding at or near 8.4 percent during the interim months. Most of the increased joblessness over the month resulted from persons reentering the labor force following a period of labor market inactivity. October witnessed the first decline in the number of unemployed seeking jobs for 6 months or more and in the average duration of joblessness since unemployment peaked in the second quarter.

Total employment--as measured by the monthly survey of households--was unchanged for the second straight month after having risen markedly between March and August. The series on nonagricultural payroll employment--as measured by the monthly survey of establishments--increased for the fourth straight month, boosting the job total by more than 1.1 million since the June low.

#### Unemployment

The number of unemployed persons rose by 230,000 in October to 8.0 million (seasonally adjusted), after having turned down in the third quarter. This increase, combined with an unchanged level of employment, pushed the unemployment rate up three-tenths of a percentage point to 8.6 percent. The October jobless rate remained below the second quarter peak of 8.9 percent. The increase in unemployment was concentrated among persons reentering the labor force after a period of absence. (See tables A-2 and A-5.)

The unemployment situation among major labor force groups as a whole--adult men, adult women, and teenagers--was little changed in October. The only demographic group

to show a notable increase was adult white women, whose unemployment rate moved upward 0.6 percentage point over the month to 7.4 percent--a turnabout from the downward trend that had been established over the prior several months. There were also small jobless rate increases for household heads (to 5.9 percent) and full-time workers (to 8.6 percent).

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

Selected categories	Quarterly averages					Monthly data		
	1974		1975			Aug. 1975	Sept. 1975	Oct. 1975
	III	IV	I	II	III			
	(Millions of persons)							
Civilian labor force .....	91.4	91.8	91.8	92.5	93.1	93.1	93.2	93.4
Total employment .....	86.4	85.7	84.1	84.3	85.3	85.4	85.4	85.4
Adult men .....	48.5	48.3	47.3	47.2	47.6	47.7	47.6	47.7
Adult women .....	30.5	30.1	29.8	30.1	30.6	30.7	30.6	30.7
Teenagers .....	7.4	7.4	7.0	7.0	7.1	7.0	7.2	7.1
Unemployment .....	5.0	6.1	7.0	8.2	7.8	7.8	7.8	8.0
	(Percent of labor force)							
Unemployment rates:								
All workers .....	5.5	6.6	8.3	8.9	8.4	8.4	8.3	8.6
Adult men .....	3.7	4.8	6.3	7.1	6.9	6.6	7.0	7.1
Adult women .....	5.4	6.5	8.2	8.5	7.7	7.7	7.5	7.8
Teenagers .....	16.1	17.5	20.5	20.5	19.8	21.1	19.3	19.9
White .....	5.0	5.9	7.6	8.2	7.7	7.6	7.6	7.9
Negro and other races .....	9.6	11.7	13.7	14.3	13.8	14.0	14.3	14.2
Household heads .....	3.2	4.1	5.5	6.1	5.7	5.5	5.7	5.9
Married men .....	2.7	3.3	4.8	5.7	5.2	5.0	5.3	5.2
Full-time workers .....	5.0	6.2	7.9	8.5	8.1 <sup>c</sup>	7.9	8.2	8.6
State insured .....	3.4	4.3	6.0	6.9	5.9	5.8	5.8	5.7
	(Weeks)							
Average duration of unemployment .....	9.9	9.9	11.3	13.9	15.8	15.7	16.2	15.4
	(Millions of persons)							
Nonfarm payroll employment .....	78.7	78.3	76.9	76.4	77.0 <sup>P</sup>	77.0	77.3 <sup>P</sup>	77.5 <sup>P</sup>
Goods-producing industries .....	24.8	24.1	22.8	22.3	22.4 <sup>P</sup>	22.4	22.6 <sup>P</sup>	22.7 <sup>P</sup>
Service-producing industries .....	54.0	54.2	54.1	54.1	54.6 <sup>P</sup>	54.6	54.7 <sup>P</sup>	54.8 <sup>P</sup>
	(Hours of work)							
Average weekly hours:								
Total private nonfarm .....	36.6	36.3	36.1	35.9	36.1 <sup>P</sup>	36.2	36.1 <sup>P</sup>	36.2 <sup>P</sup>
Manufacturing .....	40.1	39.6	39.0	39.1	39.6 <sup>P</sup>	39.7	39.8 <sup>P</sup>	39.8 <sup>P</sup>
Manufacturing overtime .....	3.3	2.9	2.4	2.4	2.7 <sup>P</sup>	2.8	2.8 <sup>P</sup>	2.7 <sup>P</sup>
	(1967=100)							
Hourly Earnings Index, private nonfarm:								
In current dollars .....	160.6	164.3	167.7	170.7	174.3 <sup>P</sup>	174.6	175.1 <sup>P</sup>	176.8 <sup>P</sup>
In constant dollars .....	107.2	106.5	106.7	107.1	107.1 <sup>P</sup>	107.4	107.2 <sup>P</sup>	N.A.

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

While most occupational and industry sectors showed little or no unemployment change in October, there was a rise among clerical workers and persons in the finance and service industries--sectors which traditionally have provided a large proportion of the jobs held by women. However, unemployment rates of manufacturing and construction workers continued to descend from the record highs reached in May.

There were contrasting movements among black (Negro and other races) and white labor force groups. The unemployment rate for blacks held steady in October at 14.2 percent, approximating its second quarter peak. The jobless rate for whites, however, which had been gradually declining from its high of 8.2 percent in the second quarter, rose from 7.6 to 7.9 percent over the month.

The unemployment rate for workers covered by regular State unemployment insurance programs, at 5.7 percent in October, continued its downward trend from the May high of 7.0 percent. (See table A-2.) There were 3.8 million persons (seasonally adjusted) claiming regular State U. I. benefits. The number of persons claiming benefits under various special programs, including the Federal extended benefits programs, declined from 2.5 to 2.4 million (not seasonally adjusted) over the month.

The average (mean) duration of unemployment dropped from 16.2 to 15.4 weeks in October, the first decline since it began its dramatic lengthening at the beginning of this year. There was a sharp drop in the number of persons unemployed 15 weeks or longer, particularly those who were unemployed 27 weeks or more. Countering this decrease in long-term unemployment was a jump in the number of persons unemployed for less than 5 weeks.

#### Total Employment and Civilian Labor Force

Total employment, at 85.4 million (seasonally adjusted), held steady for the second consecutive month. There were offsetting movements, however, as agricultural employment declined by 125,000, while nonagricultural employment continued to rise. (See table A-1.) Employment increases had totaled 1.5 million between March and August, a substantial gain for a 5-month period, but the overall level in October remained nearly a million below the peak registered in September 1974.

The civilian labor force rose by 250,000 in October to 93.4 million (seasonally adjusted). This increase was consistent with the growth in the population, as the civilian labor force participation rate remained unchanged at 61.4 percent. Over the past year, labor force growth was held to 1.4 million persons, considerably below year-to-year gains of 2 million or more prior to the recession.

#### Industry Payroll Employment

Total nonagricultural payroll employment increased for the fourth straight month in October, rising by 220,000 to 77.5 million (seasonally adjusted). Since the recession low in June, payroll employment has grown by more than 1.1 million. Employment gains occurred in 63 percent of the 172 industries in the BLS diffusion index, compared with approximately 75 percent in the prior 2 months. (See tables B-1 and B-6.)

In manufacturing, employment rose by 110,000, with nearly all of the increase taking place in the nondurable goods sector. This was in contrast to the previous 2 months' experience, when additions to employment were more heavily concentrated in the durable goods industries. Within the nondurable goods group, the apparel, food, and textile industries posted the largest gains. Electrical equipment was the only industry in the durables sector to register a sizeable gain. In addition to the manufacturing increase, there was a gain of 20,000 jobs in mining.

Employment in contract construction declined by 30,000 in October after having stabilized somewhat since June. Employment in this industry has receded by 730,000 from its alltime peak reached in early 1974.

In the service-producing sector, substantial increases took place in both services and State and local government (50,000 and 60,000, respectively). Much of the latter increase resulted from the settlement of several teachers' strikes, which returned approximately 35,000 persons to the employment rolls.

#### Hours

The average workweek for all production or nonsupervisory workers on nonfarm payrolls edged up 0.1 hour in October to 36.2 hours (seasonally adjusted), the same as the August level. Average weekly hours remained 0.3 hour below the year-earlier figure, however. (See table B-2.)

The average length of the manufacturing workweek was unchanged from September's level of 39.8 hours. Although a full hour above the low reached in February, the factory workweek remained 1.2 hours below the pre-recession high (February 1973). Factory overtime declined slightly in October to 2.7 hours, after being 2.8 hours in the previous 2 months.

The index of aggregate hours of private nonfarm production or nonsupervisory employees increased for the fourth consecutive month, advancing 0.4 percent to 108.4 (1967=100). The index of factory worker hours rose by 0.8 percent to 91.0, continuing the uptrend from the March low of 86.4. (See table B-5.)

#### Hourly and Weekly Earnings

Average hourly earnings of production or nonsupervisory workers on private nonagricultural payrolls rose 2 cents to \$4.62 (seasonally adjusted), an increase of 0.4 percent since September and 6.5 percent over the last 12 months. Average weekly earnings increased 0.7 percent in October to \$167.24 and have risen 5.6 percent since last October.

Before adjustment for seasonality, average hourly earnings increased 1 cent to \$4.65. Since October 1974, hourly earnings have increased 28 cents. Weekly earnings averaged \$168.33 in October, little different from the September level but \$8.82 above October a year ago. (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 176.8 (1967=100) in October, 0.9 percent higher than in September. The index was 8.2 percent above October a year ago. During the 12-month period ended in September, the Hourly Earnings Index in dollars of constant purchasing power rose 0.2 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					
	Oct. 1974	Sept. 1975	Oct. 1975	Oct. 1974	June 1975	July 1975	Aug. 1975	Sept. 1975	Oct. 1975
<b>TOTAL</b>									
Total noninstitutional population <sup>1</sup>	151,593	154,052	154,256	151,593	153,278	153,585	153,824	154,052	154,256
Total labor force	94,105	94,965	95,431	94,057	94,518	95,102	95,331	95,361	95,607
Participation rate	62.1	61.6	61.9	62.0	61.7	61.9	62.0	61.9	62.0
Civilian noninstitutional population <sup>1</sup>	149,380	151,882	152,092	149,380	151,100	151,399	151,639	151,882	152,092
Civilian labor force	91,891	92,795	93,267	91,844	92,340	92,916	93,146	93,191	93,443
Participation rate	61.5	61.1	61.3	61.5	61.1	61.4	61.4	61.4	61.4
Employed	86,847	85,274	86,023	86,304	84,444	85,078	85,352	85,418	85,441
Agriculture	3,536	3,626	3,524	3,440	3,304	3,450	3,468	3,546	3,422
Nonagricultural industries	83,312	81,647	82,499	82,864	81,140	81,628	81,884	81,872	82,019
Unemployed	5,044	7,522	7,244	5,540	7,896	7,838	7,794	7,773	8,002
Unemployment rate	5.5	8.1	7.8	6.0	8.6	8.4	8.4	8.3	8.6
Not in labor force	57,489	59,087	58,825	57,536	58,760	58,483	58,493	58,691	58,649
<b>Males, 20 years and over</b>									
Total noninstitutional population <sup>1</sup>	64,279	65,353	65,444	64,279	65,000	65,128	65,234	65,353	65,444
Total labor force	52,491	52,754	52,711	52,554	52,439	52,795	52,794	52,936	53,018
Participation rate	81.7	80.7	80.5	81.8	80.7	81.1	80.9	81.0	81.0
Civilian noninstitutional population <sup>1</sup>	62,506	63,629	63,725	62,506	63,282	63,403	63,498	63,629	63,725
Civilian labor force	50,718	51,030	50,992	50,781	50,721	51,070	51,058	51,213	51,299
Participation rate	81.1	80.2	80.0	81.2	80.2	80.5	80.4	80.5 <sup>c</sup>	80.5
Employed	48,898	47,938	47,983	48,584	47,166	47,499	47,682	47,638	47,666
Agriculture	2,570	2,557	2,514	2,477	2,394	2,435	2,463	2,483	2,422
Nonagricultural industries	46,328	45,381	45,470	46,107	44,772	45,064	45,219	45,155	45,244
Unemployed	1,820	3,092	3,008	2,197	3,555	3,571	3,376	3,575	3,633
Unemployment rate	3.6	6.1	5.9	4.3	7.0	7.0	6.6	7.0	7.1
Not in labor force	11,788	12,599	12,733	11,725	12,561	12,333	12,440	12,416	12,426
<b>Females, 20 years and over</b>									
Civilian noninstitutional population <sup>1</sup>	70,749	71,926	72,029	70,749	71,574	71,729	71,839	71,926	72,029
Civilian labor force	32,581	33,349	33,857	32,039	33,023	33,173	33,239	33,108	33,288
Participation rate	46.1	46.4	47.0	45.3	46.1	46.2	46.3	46.0	46.2
Employed	30,757	30,593	31,224	30,237	30,332	30,563	30,690	30,618	30,685
Agriculture	546	573	599	494	480	529	548	538	542
Nonagricultural industries	30,211	30,020	30,625	29,743	29,852	30,034	30,142	30,080	30,143
Unemployed	1,824	2,756	2,634	1,802	2,691	2,610	2,549	2,490	2,603
Unemployment rate	5.6	8.3	7.8	5.6	8.1	7.9	7.7	7.5	7.8
Not in labor force	38,169	38,577	38,172	38,710	38,551	38,556	38,600	38,818	38,741
<b>Both sexes, 16-19 years</b>									
Civilian noninstitutional population <sup>1</sup>	16,124	16,327	16,338	16,124	16,244	16,267	16,302	16,327	16,338
Civilian labor force	8,593	8,416	8,418	9,024	8,596	8,673	8,849	8,870	8,856
Participation rate	53.3	51.5	51.5	56.0	52.9	53.3	54.3	54.3	54.2
Employed	7,193	6,742	6,816	7,483	6,946	7,016	6,980	7,162	7,090
Agriculture	420	496	412	469	430	486	457	525	458
Nonagricultural industries	6,773	6,246	6,405	7,014	6,516	6,530	6,523	6,637	6,632
Unemployed	1,400	1,674	1,602	1,541	1,650	1,657	1,869	1,708	1,766
Unemployment rate	16.3	19.9	19.0	17.1	19.2	19.1	21.1	19.3	19.9
Not in labor force	7,532	7,911	7,920	7,100	7,648	7,594	7,453	7,457	7,482
<b>WHITE</b>									
Civilian noninstitutional population <sup>1</sup>	132,013	133,954	134,121	132,013	133,402	133,579	133,760	133,954	134,121
Civilian labor force	81,441	82,169	82,627	81,439	81,908	82,476	83,476	82,584	82,836
Participation rate	61.7	61.3	61.6	61.7	61.4	61.7	61.7	61.7	61.8
Employed	77,446	76,144	76,768	76,997	75,451	75,925	76,182	76,270	76,281
Unemployed	3,995	6,025	5,858	4,442	6,457	6,511	6,294	6,314	6,555
Unemployment rate	4.9	7.3	7.1	5.5	7.9	7.9	7.6	7.6	7.9
Not in labor force	50,573	51,785	51,494	50,574	51,494	51,143	51,284	51,370	51,285
<b>NEGRO AND OTHER RACES</b>									
Civilian noninstitutional population <sup>1</sup>	17,367	17,929	17,971	17,367	17,698	17,820	17,879	17,929	17,971
Civilian labor force	10,451	10,627	10,640	10,461	10,469	10,468	10,623	10,746	10,678
Participation rate	60.2	59.3	59.2	60.2	59.2	58.7	59.4	59.9	59.4
Employed	9,402	9,130	9,255	9,316	9,034	9,103	9,134	9,205	9,167
Unemployed	1,049	1,497	1,385	1,145	1,435	1,365	1,489	1,541	1,511
Unemployment rate	10.0	14.1	13.0	10.9	13.7	13.0	14.0	14.3	14.2
Not in labor force	6,916	7,302	7,331	6,906	7,229	7,352	7,256	7,183	7,293

<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					
	Oct. 1974	Oct. 1975	Oct. 1974	June 1975	July 1975	Aug. 1975	Sept. 1975	Oct. 1975
Total, 16 years and over .....	5,540	8,002	6.0	8.6	8.4	8.4	8.3	8.6
Males, 20 years and over .....	2,197	3,633	4.3	7.0	7.0	6.6	7.0	7.1
Females, 20 years and over .....	1,802	2,603	5.6	8.1	7.9	7.7	7.5	7.8
Both sexes, 16-19 years .....	1,541	1,766	17.1	19.2	19.1	21.1	19.3	19.9
White, total .....	4,442	6,555	5.5	7.9	7.9	7.6	7.6	7.9
Males, 20 years and over .....	1,807	3,016	4.0	6.4	6.6	6.1	6.5	6.5
Females, 20 years and over .....	1,445	2,134	5.2	7.6	7.4	6.9	6.8	7.4
Both sexes, 16-19 years .....	1,190	1,405	14.8	17.6	17.6	19.1	17.4	17.8
Negro and other races, total .....	1,145	1,511	10.9	13.7	13.0	14.0	14.3	14.2
Males, 20 years and over .....	392	617	7.6	11.9	11.4	11.1	12.1	11.7
Females, 20 years and over .....	408	540	9.5	11.7	10.8	12.6	12.1	12.2
Both sexes, 16-19 years .....	345	354	34.5	33.2	33.5	37.4	37.2	37.0
Household heads .....	1,961	3,173	3.7	6.1	6.0	5.5	5.7	5.9
Married men, spouse present .....	1,199	2,071	3.0	5.7	5.4	5.0	5.3	5.2
Full-time workers .....	4,537	6,859	5.8	8.2	8.1	7.9 <sup>c</sup>	8.2	8.6
Part-time workers .....	1,148	1,371	8.7	10.3	10.0	10.7	9.6	10.1
Unemployed 15 weeks and over <sup>1</sup> .....	1,016	2,578	1.1	3.1	3.2	3.1	3.1	2.8
State insured <sup>2</sup> .....	2,385	3,784	3.6	6.9	6.2	5.8	5.8	5.7
Labor force time lost <sup>3</sup> .....	--	--	6.6	8.9	8.8	8.6	9.0	9.4
<b>OCCUPATION<sup>4</sup></b>								
White-collar workers .....	1,439	2,145	3.3	4.8	4.8	4.6	4.7	4.8
Professional and technical .....	290	411	2.3	3.2	3.6	2.9	3.3	3.1
Managers and administrators, except farm .....	165	258	1.8	3.0	2.9	3.0	3.4	2.8
Sales workers .....	261	345	4.5	6.0	4.9	5.9	5.6	5.9
Clerical workers .....	723	1,131	4.5	6.7	6.8	6.4	6.3	7.0
Blue-collar workers .....	2,369	3,579	7.4	12.6	12.1	11.5	11.5	11.2
Craft and kindred workers .....	612	1,020	5.0	9.4	9.6	8.2	8.6	8.4
Operatives .....	1,213	1,768	8.1	14.0	12.9	12.7	12.7	12.0
Nonfarm laborers .....	544	791	10.8	16.0	15.9	16.2	15.2	16.2
Service workers .....	825	1,188	6.6	8.5	8.3	9.3	8.7	9.1
Farm workers .....	78	112	2.6	3.3	2.6	3.8	3.4	3.6
<b>INDUSTRY<sup>4</sup></b>								
Nonagricultural private wage and salary workers <sup>5</sup> .....	4,135	6,149	6.2	9.6	9.2	9.1	9.1	9.1
Construction .....	559	810	12.0	21.0	20.8	19.9	19.2	17.9
Manufacturing .....	1,392	2,151	6.4	12.0	11.1	10.5	10.6	10.2
Durable goods .....	803	1,312	6.1	12.9	11.5	11.3	11.3	10.5
Nondurable goods .....	589	839	6.9	10.7	10.4	9.5	9.4	9.8
Transportation and public utilities .....	166	271	3.4	5.8	5.6	5.7	5.8	5.4
Wholesale and retail trade .....	1,121	1,535	6.8	8.3	8.3	8.9	8.7	8.8
Finance and service industries .....	880	1,367	4.8	6.6	6.3	6.1	6.3	7.1
Government workers .....	438	643	3.0	3.9	4.3	4.0	4.2	4.3
Agricultural wage and salary workers .....	119	156	7.9	10.5	8.4	10.5	9.9	10.6
<b>VETERAN STATUS</b>								
Males, Vietnam-era veterans <sup>6</sup> :								
20 to 34 years .....	337	576	5.7	9.7	9.6	9.0	9.2	9.3
20 to 24 years .....	145	219	12.1	19.9	17.6	17.5	20.0	22.0
25 to 29 years .....	158	257	4.8	8.1	8.6	8.2	7.3	7.9
30 to 34 years .....	34	100	2.4	6.7	6.6	5.9	6.5	5.3
Males, nonveterans:								
20 to 34 years .....	942	1,443	6.8	10.0	10.5	9.6	10.5	9.9
20 to 24 years .....	552	878	8.9	12.9	14.4	13.6	14.3	13.6
25 to 29 years .....	245	355	6.2	9.4	8.6	8.0	8.5	8.1
30 to 34 years .....	145	210	3.9	5.9	5.9	4.7	6.2	5.6

<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> Aggregate hours lost by the unemployed and persons on part time for economic reasons as a percent of potentially available labor force 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.<sup>c</sup> corrected.

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Table A-3. Selected employment indicators

[In thousands]

Selected categories	Not seasonally adjusted		Seasonally adjusted					
	Oct. 1974	Oct. 1975	Oct. 1974	June 1975	July 1975	Aug. 1975	Sept. 1975	Oct. 1975
<b>Total employed, 16 years and over</b>	86,847	86,023	86,304	84,444	85,078	85,352	85,418	85,441
Males	52,796	51,632	52,674	50,861	51,287	51,448	51,490	51,496
Females	34,051	34,392	33,630	33,583	33,791	33,904	33,928	33,945
Household heads	51,458	50,866	50,957	49,903	50,241	50,524	50,373	50,362
Married men, spouse present	39,277	38,342	38,887	37,743	37,920	38,048	37,967	38,038
Married women, spouse present	20,296	20,359	19,813	19,478	19,692	19,693	19,849	19,882
<b>OCCUPATION</b>								
White-collar workers	42,215	42,697	41,914	42,528	42,499	42,593	42,504	42,381
Professional and technical	12,634	13,037	12,327	12,727	13,026	13,030	12,813	12,719
Managers and administrators, except farm	8,943	9,067	8,883	9,039	8,710	8,937	9,160	9,004
Sales workers	5,502	5,562	5,490	5,652	5,585	5,535	5,519	5,551
Clerical workers	15,137	15,031	15,214	15,110	15,178	15,091	15,012	15,107
Blue-collar workers	29,972	28,449	29,800	27,618	27,815	28,070	28,053	28,287
Craft and kindred workers	11,532	11,184	11,538	10,852	11,014	11,112	10,927	11,184
Operatives	13,978	13,196	13,779	12,586	12,662	12,867	12,960	13,014
Nonfarm laborers	4,462	4,069	4,483	4,180	4,139	4,091	4,166	4,089
Service workers	11,612	11,813	11,609	11,589	11,681	11,670	11,776	11,813
Farm workers	3,048	3,064	2,974	2,908	3,027	3,006	3,081	2,990
<b>MAJOR INDUSTRY AND CLASS OF WORKER</b>								
<b>Agriculture:</b>								
Wage and salary workers	1,412	1,352	1,378	1,230	1,357	1,368	1,393	1,319
Self-employed workers	1,728	1,726	1,703	1,730	1,714	1,688	1,761	1,700
Unpaid family workers	395	447	374	381	410	400	415	424
<b>Nonagricultural industries:</b>								
Wage and salary workers	77,054	76,437	76,764	75,114	75,350	75,826	75,822	76,157
Private households	1,399	1,393	1,370	1,472	1,353	1,379	1,325	1,364
Government	14,195	14,612	13,997	14,558	14,744	14,785	14,481	14,410
Other	61,460	60,432	61,397	59,084	59,253	59,662	60,016	60,383
Self-employed workers	5,779	5,591	5,735	5,659	5,689	5,670	5,634	5,547
Unpaid family workers	479	470	482	401	401	460	485	474
<b>PERSONS AT WORK <sup>1</sup></b>								
Nonagricultural industries	79,383	78,680	77,768	76,288	75,305	76,505	76,943	77,109
Full-time schedules	65,392	64,174	64,306	61,853	61,138	62,442	63,044	63,101
Part time for economic reasons	2,651	3,015	2,929	3,354	3,179	3,106	3,233	3,339
Usually work full time	1,283	1,341	1,377	1,530	1,486	1,369	1,332	1,439
Usually work part time	1,368	1,674	1,552	1,824	1,693	1,737	1,901	1,900
Part time for noneconomic reasons	11,340	11,491	10,533	11,081	10,988	10,957	10,666	10,669

<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					
	Oct. 1974	Oct. 1975	Oct. 1974	June 1975	July 1975	Aug. 1975	Sept. 1975	Oct. 1975
Less than 5 weeks	2,560	2,800	2,765	2,692	2,823	2,676	2,790	3,024
5 to 14 weeks	1,582	2,154	1,754	2,498	2,120	2,361	2,430	2,388
15 weeks and over	902	2,289	1,016	2,887	2,998	2,842	2,856	2,578
15 to 26 weeks	556	1,005	640	1,561	1,604	1,383	1,242	1,185
27 weeks and over	347	1,284	376	1,326	1,394	1,459	1,614	1,393
Average (mean) duration, in weeks	9.5	14.9	9.8	15.4	15.4	15.7	16.2	15.4
<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	50.8	38.7	50.0	33.3	35.5	34.0	34.5	37.8
5 to 14 weeks	31.4	29.7	31.7	30.9	26.7	30.0	30.1	29.9
15 weeks and over	17.9	31.6	18.4	35.7	37.8	36.1	35.4	32.3
15 to 26 weeks	11.0	13.9	11.6	19.3	20.2	17.6	15.4	14.8
27 weeks and over	6.9	17.7	6.8	16.4	17.6	18.5	20.0	17.4



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Table A-5. Reasons for unemployment

[Numbers in thousands]

Reason	Not seasonally adjusted		Seasonally adjusted					
	Oct. 1974	Oct. 1975	Oct. 1974	June 1975	July 1975	Aug. 1975	Sept. 1975	Oct. 1975
<b>NUMBER OF UNEMPLOYED</b>								
Lost last job .....	1,960	3,617	2,418	4,808	4,567	4,263	4,576	4,460
Left last job .....	877	874	834	779	826	777	814	832
Reentered labor force .....	1,485	1,942	1,450	1,846	1,771	1,879	1,786	1,896
Seeking first job .....	722	811	770	670	648	876	819	865
<b>PERCENT DISTRIBUTION</b>								
Total unemployed .....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Job losers .....	38.8	49.9	44.2	59.3	58.5	54.7	57.2	55.4
Job leavers .....	17.4	12.1	15.2	9.6	10.6	10.0	10.2	10.3
Reentrants .....	29.4	26.8	26.5	22.8	22.7	24.1	22.3	23.5
New entrants .....	14.3	11.2	14.1	8.3	8.3	11.2	10.2	10.7
<b>UNEMPLOYED AS A PERCENT OF THE CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE</b>								
Job losers .....	2.1	3.9	2.6	5.2	4.9	4.6	4.9	4.8
Job leavers .....	1.0	.9	.9	.8	.9	.8	.9	.9
Reentrants .....	1.6	2.1	1.6	2.0	1.9	2.0	1.9	2.0
New entrants .....	.8	.9	.8	.7	.7	.9	.9	.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	Oct. 1974	June 1975	July 1975	Aug. 1975	Sept. 1975	Oct. 1975
	Oct. 1974	Oct. 1975							
<b>Total, 16 years and over</b> .....	5,044	7,244	79.0	6.0	8.6	8.4	8.4	8.3	8.6
16 to 19 years .....	1,400	1,602	51.9	17.1	19.2	19.1	21.1	19.3	19.9
16 to 17 years .....	659	744	29.0	18.8	20.3	19.9	23.1	21.9	22.2
18 to 19 years .....	741	858	71.8	15.7	18.2	18.4	19.5	18.0	18.3
20 to 24 years .....	1,110	1,670	85.4	9.4	12.8	13.6	13.1	13.6	14.0
25 years and over .....	2,535	3,973	87.2	4.0	6.6	6.2	5.8	6.0	6.2
25 to 54 years .....	2,127	3,336	88.6	4.2	7.0	6.6	6.2	6.3	6.5
55 years and over .....	408	637	80.1	3.1	4.9	4.8	4.5	4.6	4.9
<b>Males, 16 years and over</b> .....	2,521	3,837	83.7	5.4	8.1	8.1	7.9	8.0	8.2
16 to 19 years .....	701	829	54.8	16.5	20.6	19.9	21.7	19.4	20.0
16 to 17 years .....	333	382	29.6	17.9	21.5	21.0	23.5	22.4	21.6
18 to 19 years .....	368	447	76.3	15.2	19.4	19.0	19.8	18.2	18.5
20 to 24 years .....	579	912	88.2	9.4	14.0	14.8	14.2	15.3	14.7
25 years and over .....	1,242	2,096	93.3	3.4	5.9	5.7	5.3	5.6	5.8
25 to 54 years .....	1,014	1,728	95.2	3.6	6.3	6.0	5.6	5.9	6.0
55 years and over .....	227	368	84.2	2.7	4.7	4.6	4.3	4.6	4.6
<b>Females, 16 years and over</b> .....	2,523	3,406	73.7	7.0	9.2	9.0	9.1	8.8	9.1
16 to 19 years .....	699	773	48.8	17.8	17.6	18.2	20.5	19.1	19.9
16 to 17 years .....	325	362	28.5	20.0	18.7	18.6	22.5	21.3	22.8
18 to 19 years .....	373	411	66.7	16.2	16.8	17.8	19.3	17.8	18.0
20 to 24 years .....	531	757	82.2	9.5	11.4	12.1	11.7	11.7	13.1
25 years and over .....	1,293	1,876	80.5	4.9	7.6	7.0	6.6	6.6	6.9
25 to 54 years .....	1,112	1,607	81.6	5.2	8.1	7.5	7.1	7.0	7.2
55 years and over .....	181	269	74.3	3.7	5.2	5.1	4.9	4.5	5.3

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

(In thousands)

Industry	Not seasonally adjusted				Seasonally adjusted					
	Oct. 1974	Aug. 1975	Sept. 1975 <sup>p</sup>	Oct. 1975 <sup>p</sup>	Oct. 1974	June 1975	July 1975	Aug. 1975	Sept. 1975 <sup>p</sup>	Oct. 1975 <sup>p</sup>
<b>TOTAL</b> .....	79,465	76,900	77,582	78,130	78,790	76,343	76,679	77,023	77,275	77,492
<b>GOODS-PRODUCING</b> .....	25,012	22,901	23,087	23,077	24,572	22,233	22,222	22,418	22,575	22,675
<b>MINING</b> .....	718	763	755	759	728	741	743	749	749	770
<b>CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION</b> .....	4,120	3,688	3,641	3,604	3,872	3,392	3,395	3,415	3,416	3,387
<b>MANUFACTURING</b> .....	20,174	18,450	18,691	18,714	19,972	18,100	18,084	18,254	18,410	18,518
<i>Production workers</i> .....	14,709	13,180	13,431	13,449	14,515	12,849	12,840	13,011	13,160	13,265
<b>DURABLE GOODS</b> .....	11,966	10,592	10,773	10,767	11,870	10,527	10,465	10,563	10,650	10,676
<i>Production workers</i> .....	8,960	7,468	7,653	7,647	8,599	7,404	7,348	7,450	7,534	7,565
Ordnance and accessories .....	178.7	167.4	166.7	165.6	178	173	172	167	165	164
Lumber and wood products .....	608.0	583.9	580.4	580.1	600	552	557	563	568	573
Furniture and fixtures .....	512.5	457.4	465.8	468.5	507	437	441	452	463	463
Stone, clay, and glass products .....	687.2	624.9	624.9	624.7	678	605	604	610	613	616
Primary metal industries .....	1,347.4	1,147.8	1,169.3	1,156.0	1,353	1,149	1,334	1,148	1,169	1,161
Fabricated metal products .....	1,509.6	1,332.0	1,354.3	1,360.4	1,492	1,317	1,298	1,331	1,340	1,344
Machinery, except electrical .....	2,245.2	2,000.6	2,028.1	2,026.6	2,257	2,035	2,017	2,103	2,034	2,037
Electrical equipment .....	2,025.4	1,740.3	1,774.3	1,791.7	2,009	1,723	1,712	1,747	1,758	1,777
Transportation equipment .....	1,868.9	1,636.8	1,694.1	1,673.2	1,836	1,657	1,645	1,645	1,643	1,644
Instruments and related products .....	522.7	483.8	487.4	490.2	521	481	482	481	485	488
Miscellaneous manufacturing .....	460.5	417.0	427.3	429.5	439	398	403	406	412	409
<b>NONDURABLE GOODS</b> .....	8,208	7,858	7,918	7,947	8,102	7,573	7,619	7,691	7,760	7,842
<i>Production workers</i> .....	6,019	5,712	5,778	5,802	5,916	5,445	5,492	5,561	5,626	5,700
Food and kindred products .....	1,772.3	1,804.1	1,808.7	1,775.9	1,704	1,671	1,668	1,688	1,689	1,708
Tobacco manufactures .....	88.9	85.1	88.4	88.2	79	75	79	78	79	79
Textile mill products .....	962.5	923.4	937.1	952.5	964	891	897	918	938	954
Apparel and other textile products .....	1,345.1	1,255.1	1,278.0	1,303.1	1,327	1,215	1,245	1,245	1,260	1,285
Paper and allied products .....	697.8	644.9	649.8	655.2	694	627	633	639	649	652
Printing and publishing .....	1,116.8	1,069.5	1,071.7	1,075.6	1,114	1,073	1,068	1,072	1,074	1,072
Chemicals and allied products .....	1,067.7	1,015.8	1,014.3	1,014.1	1,067	1,000	999	1,008	1,010	1,013
Petroleum and coal products .....	200.7	204.6	203.5	203.2	199	197	199	199	200	202
Rubber and plastics products, nec. ....	686.0	592.4	603.5	612.1	683	572	575	588	598	609
Leather and leather products .....	270.3	262.6	263.0	267.0	271	252	256	256	263	268
<b>SERVICE-PRODUCING</b> .....	54,453	53,999	54,495	55,053	54,218	54,110	54,457	54,605	54,700	54,817
<b>TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC UTILITIES</b> .....	4,714	4,493	4,502	4,501	4,686	4,469	4,464	4,466	4,466	4,474
<b>WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE</b> .....	17,249	16,959	17,081	17,125	17,154	16,877	16,984	17,016	17,042	17,032
<b>WHOLESALE TRADE</b> .....	4,276	4,192	4,193	4,211	4,246	4,153	4,161	4,159	4,180	4,182
<b>RETAIL TRADE</b> .....	12,973	12,767	12,888	12,914	12,908	12,724	12,823	12,857	12,862	12,850
<b>FINANCE, INSURANCE, AND REAL ESTATE</b> .....	4,220	4,273	4,240	4,239	4,228	4,202	4,203	4,218	4,236	4,247
<b>SERVICES</b> .....	13,825	14,162	14,126	14,202	13,797	13,871	13,990	14,050	14,126	14,174
<b>GOVERNMENT</b> .....	14,445	14,112	14,546	14,986	14,353	14,691	14,816	14,855	14,830	14,890
<b>FEDERAL</b> .....	2,721	2,775	2,746	2,738	2,745	2,738	2,745	2,756	2,765	2,763
<b>STATE AND LOCAL</b> .....	11,724	11,337	11,800	12,248	11,608	11,953	12,071	12,099	12,065	12,127

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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					
	Oct. 1974	Aug. 1975	Sept. 1975 <sup>P</sup>	Oct. 1975 <sup>P</sup>	Oct. 1974	June 1975	July 1975	Aug. 1975	Sept. 1975 <sup>P</sup>	Oct. 1975 <sup>P</sup>
<b>TOTAL PRIVATE</b> .....	36.5	36.6	36.3	36.2	36.5	36.0	36.0	36.2	36.1	36.2
<b>MINING</b> .....	43.8	42.0	42.5	43.0	43.4	42.2	42.1	41.8	42.2	42.6
<b>CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION</b> .....	38.0	37.8	37.5	37.4	37.1	35.7	36.2	36.7	36.6	36.5
<b>MANUFACTURING</b> .....	40.1	39.7	40.2	39.9	40.0	39.3	39.4	39.7	39.8	39.8
<i>Overtime hours</i> .....	3.3	2.9	3.1	2.9	3.1	2.4	2.6	2.8	2.8	2.7
<b>DURABLE GOODS</b> .....	40.9	39.9	40.5	40.2	40.7	39.6	39.8	40.2	40.2	40.0
<i>Overtime hours</i> .....	3.5	2.7	3.0	2.8	3.3	2.3	2.5	2.7	2.7	2.6
Ordnance and accessories .....	41.3	41.0	41.9	41.5	41.4	41.6	40.1	41.2	41.9	41.6
Lumber and wood products .....	39.1	39.8	39.9	39.7	38.9	39.0	39.1	39.5	39.5	39.5
Furniture and fixtures .....	39.0	38.8	39.3	39.3	38.6	37.6	37.8	38.3	38.8	38.9
Stone, clay, and glass products .....	41.7	41.1	41.3	41.2	41.3	40.3	40.6	40.7	40.9	40.8
Primary metal industries .....	41.7	39.6	40.4	39.9	41.9	39.6	39.7	39.9	40.0	40.1
Fabricated metal products .....	41.0	40.0	40.6	40.4	40.9	39.5	39.5	40.0	40.3	40.3
Machinery, except electrical .....	42.5	40.4	40.9	40.7	42.5	40.4	40.5	40.8	40.7	40.7
Electrical equipment .....	39.9	39.5	39.9	39.8	39.7	39.3	39.5	39.6	39.6	39.6
Transportation equipment .....	40.9	40.0	41.1	40.9	40.5	40.0	40.7	41.2	40.7	40.5
Instruments and related products .....	40.0	39.3	40.1	39.9	39.9	39.4	39.7	39.5	39.8	39.8
Miscellaneous manufacturing .....	38.6	38.3	38.8	38.8	38.4	38.3	38.1	38.2	38.7	38.6
<b>NONDURABLE GOODS</b> .....	39.0	39.5	39.8	39.5	38.9	38.7	38.8	39.3	39.4	39.4
<i>Overtime hours</i> .....	3.0	3.1	3.3	3.1	2.8	2.6	2.8	2.9	2.9	2.9
Food and kindred products .....	40.3	41.3	41.5	40.6	40.3	39.9	40.1	40.7	40.8	40.6
Tobacco manufactures .....	38.7	38.2	38.9	38.1	37.3	39.8	35.4	37.6	38.1	36.7
Textile mill products .....	38.4	40.6	41.1	41.0	38.4	39.2	39.6	40.4	40.9	41.0
Apparel and other textile products .....	35.4	35.9	36.1	36.2	35.3	35.2	35.2	35.5	35.9	36.1
Paper and allied products .....	41.9	42.4	42.5	42.4	41.8	41.5	41.6	42.1	42.2	42.3
Printing and publishing .....	37.7	37.2	37.4	37.0	37.6	36.7	36.7	37.1	37.0	36.9
Chemicals and allied products .....	41.3	40.9	41.3	41.3	41.3	40.7	40.9	41.1	41.3	41.3
Petroleum and coal products .....	43.0	41.0	42.1	41.7	42.6	41.2	41.3	41.0	41.5	41.3
Rubber and plastics products, nec .....	40.8	40.1	40.7	40.4	40.7	39.6	40.0	40.1	40.3	40.3
Leather and leather products .....	36.6	38.2	38.2	38.6	36.9	37.5	37.8	38.0	38.4	38.9
<b>TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC UTILITIES</b> .....	40.3	39.9	39.9	39.7	40.1	39.5	39.4	39.5	39.7	39.5
<b>WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE</b> .....	33.7	34.6	33.7	33.5	33.9	33.8	33.6	33.8	33.6	33.7
<b>WHOLESALE TRADE</b> .....	38.7	38.7	38.6	38.6	38.7	38.4	38.5	38.6	38.5	38.6
<b>RETAIL TRADE</b> .....	32.2	33.4	32.2	32.0	32.4	32.4	32.2	32.3	32.1	32.2
<b>FINANCE, INSURANCE, AND REAL ESTATE</b> .....	36.6	36.4	36.2	36.4	36.6	36.5	36.3	36.3	36.3	36.4
<b>SERVICES</b> .....	33.7	34.3	33.7	33.6	33.8	33.9	33.7	33.8	33.6	33.7

<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			
	Oct. 1974	Aug. 1975	Sept. 1975 <sup>p</sup>	Oct. 1975 <sup>p</sup>	Oct. 1974	Aug. 1975	Sept. 1975 <sup>p</sup>	Oct. 1975 <sup>p</sup>
<b>TOTAL PRIVATE</b> .....	\$4.37	\$4.56	\$4.64	\$4.65	\$159.51	\$166.90	\$168.43	\$168.33
<i>Seasonally adjusted</i> .....	4.34	4.57	4.60	4.62	158.41	165.43	166.06	167.24
<b>MINING</b> .....	5.38	5.92	6.02	6.00	235.64	248.64	255.85	258.00
<b>CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION</b> .....	6.99	7.27	7.39	7.48	265.62	274.81	277.13	279.75
<b>MANUFACTURING</b> .....	4.57	4.82	4.89	4.91	183.26	191.35	196.58	195.91
<b>DURABLE GOODS</b> .....	4.88	5.16	5.24	5.27	199.59	205.88	212.22	211.85
Ordnance and accessories .....	4.82	5.28	5.43	5.46	199.07	216.48	227.52	226.59
Lumber and wood products .....	4.02	4.39	4.41	4.40	157.18	174.72	175.96	174.68
Furniture and fixtures .....	3.59	3.78	3.80	3.82	140.01	146.66	149.34	150.13
Stone, clay, and glass products .....	4.66	4.96	5.00	5.01	194.32	203.86	206.50	206.41
Primary metal industries .....	5.82	6.29	6.39	6.42	242.69	249.08	258.16	256.16
Fabricated metal products .....	4.76	5.10	5.16	5.18	195.16	204.00	209.50	209.27
Machinery, except electrical .....	5.09	5.39	5.46	5.51	216.33	217.76	223.31	224.26
Electrical equipment .....	4.31	4.60	4.67	4.67	171.97	181.70	186.33	185.87
Transportation equipment .....	5.78	6.01	6.15	6.28	236.40	240.40	252.77	256.85
Instruments and related products .....	4.31	4.57	4.61	4.61	172.40	179.60	184.86	183.94
Miscellaneous manufacturing .....	3.54	3.79	3.81	3.83	136.64	145.16	147.83	148.60
<b>NONDURABLE GOODS</b> .....	4.11	4.36	4.41	4.42	160.29	172.22	175.52	174.59
Food and kindred products .....	4.26	4.58	4.61	4.65	171.68	189.15	191.32	188.79
Tobacco manufactures .....	4.06	4.32	4.27	4.22	157.12	165.02	166.10	160.78
Textile mill products .....	3.26	3.38	3.48	3.53	125.18	137.23	143.03	144.73
Apparel and other textile products .....	3.10	3.16	3.22	3.23	109.74	113.44	116.24	116.93
Paper and allied products .....	4.66	5.10	5.10	5.13	195.25	216.24	216.75	217.51
Printing and publishing .....	5.09	5.45	5.49	5.52	191.89	202.74	205.33	204.24
Chemicals and allied products .....	5.01	5.44	5.48	5.50	206.91	222.50	226.32	227.15
Petroleum and coal products .....	5.78	6.55	6.59	6.55	248.54	268.55	277.44	273.14
Rubber and plastics products, nec .....	4.15	4.39	4.42	4.42	169.32	176.04	179.89	178.57
Leather and leather products .....	3.07	3.21	3.26	3.25	112.36	122.62	124.53	125.45
<b>TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC UTILITIES</b> .....	5.62	6.05	6.11	6.08	226.49	241.40	243.79	241.38
<b>WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE</b> .....	3.57	3.76	3.80	3.82	120.31	130.10	128.06	127.97
<b>WHOLESALE TRADE</b> .....	4.63	4.93	4.95	4.98	179.18	190.79	191.07	192.23
<b>RETAIL TRADE</b> .....	3.18	3.35	3.39	3.41	102.40	111.89	109.16	109.12
<b>FINANCE, INSURANCE, AND REAL ESTATE</b> .....	3.90	4.15	4.17	4.19	142.74	151.06	150.95	152.52
<b>SERVICES</b> .....	3.86	4.03	4.13	4.15	130.08	138.23	139.18	139.44

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

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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	Oct. 1974	May 1975	June 1975	July 1975	Aug. 1975	Sept. P 1975	Oct. P 1975	Percent change from	
								Oct. 1974- Oct. 1975	Sept. 1975- Oct. 1975
<b>TOTAL PRIVATE NONFARM:</b>									
Current dollars .....	163.3	170.6	172.2	173.1	174.6	175.1	176.8	8.2	0.9
Constant (1967) dollars .....	106.8	107.1	107.3	106.6	107.4	107.2	N.A.	(2)	(3)
<b>MINING</b> .....	168.8	180.7	182.8	184.0	186.2	187.1	188.6	11.8	.8
<b>CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION</b> .....	167.3	173.4	175.9	177.4	176.7	176.6	178.9	7.0	1.3
<b>MANUFACTURING</b> .....	161.3	169.7	171.0	172.2	173.3	174.5	176.3	9.3	1.0
<b>TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC UTILITIES</b> .....	172.4	179.3	181.1	182.4	186.2	186.4	186.3	8.1	(4)
<b>WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE</b> .....	159.6	166.4	167.5	168.3	170.5	170.5	171.9	7.7	.8
<b>FINANCE, INSURANCE, AND REAL ESTATE</b> .....	152.9	160.4	163.1	161.5	163.0	163.0	164.3	7.4	.8
<b>SERVICES</b> .....	167.0	173.5	175.5	175.8	177.1	177.5	179.5	7.5	1.1

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

<sup>2</sup> Percent change was 0.2 from September 1974 to September 1975, the latest month available.

<sup>3</sup> Percent change was -0.2 from August 1975 to September 1975, the latest month available.

<sup>4</sup> Less than 0.05 percent. N.A. = not available. p=preliminary.

NOTE: All series are in current dollars except where indicated. The index excludes effects of two types of changes that are unrelated to underlying wage-rate developments: Fluctuations in overtime premiums in manufacturing (the only sector for which overtime data are available) and the effects of changes in the proportion of workers in high-wage and low-wage industries.

**Table B-5. Indexes of aggregate weekly 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									
	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept. <sup>P</sup>	Oct. <sup>P</sup>
<b>TOTAL</b> .....	112.9	111.3	109.9	108.9	107.0	105.9	106.0	106.3	106.0	106.4	107.6	108.0	108.4
<b>GOODS-PRODUCING</b> .....	102.7	99.2	96.7	94.5	90.7	88.4	89.2	89.4	88.9	89.3	91.2	92.3	92.8
<b>MINING</b> .....	119.9	99.7	106.0	117.4	116.7	115.9	113.7	119.4	118.4	118.8	118.6	119.7	123.4
<b>CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION</b> .....	114.9	112.9	112.1	111.0	104.1	94.5	99.0	99.3	94.9	96.2	98.3	98.0	96.6
<b>MANUFACTURING</b> .....	100.0	96.8	93.6	90.8	87.4	86.4	86.6	86.6	86.8	87.1	89.0	90.3	91.0
<b>DURABLE GOODS</b> .....	101.7	98.3	94.9	91.8	87.9	86.6	86.5	85.4	85.2	84.9	86.7	87.8	88.1
Ordnance and accessories .....	48.4	48.4	48.8	48.3	48.3	47.7	47.7	47.5	46.9	44.7	43.7	43.3	42.9
Lumber and wood products .....	94.7	89.6	87.1	83.8	82.3	81.6	82.5	84.4	85.8	86.7	88.8	89.9	90.7
Furniture and fixtures .....	105.3	98.9	94.9	88.0	85.1	83.9	85.8	87.7	87.2	88.7	92.6	97.1	96.9
Stone, clay, and glass products .....	107.2	105.2	102.3	98.5	94.1	91.2	92.6	92.6	92.4	93.1	94.5	95.6	95.7
Primary metal industries .....	104.0	101.9	98.0	94.8	90.6	87.3	84.1	82.1	80.8	80.0	81.7	83.8	83.4
Fabricated metal products .....	106.2	102.8	99.6	94.9	92.1	90.2	90.1	89.0	88.5	86.7	90.9	92.3	92.6
Machinery, except electrical .....	110.7	108.6	106.3	104.0	100.8	98.3	96.6	93.1	91.3	90.4	91.0	91.9	92.1
Electrical equipment and supplies .....	100.9	96.6	92.8	90.2	85.3	84.3	83.3	81.9	81.8	81.6	84.3	85.1	86.7
Transportation equipment .....	93.1	88.7	84.0	81.1	75.1	77.3	80.4	80.2	81.4	82.0	82.9	81.9	82.0
Instruments and related products .....	110.6	108.9	106.6	105.0	100.7	98.3	98.2	97.1	97.0	98.1	97.2	99.7	100.4
Miscellaneous manufacturing, Ind. ....	98.4	94.6	91.1	89.4	87.3	85.6	86.0	86.5	87.0	87.7	89.0	91.7	90.8
<b>NONDURABLE GOODS</b> .....	97.5	94.5	91.7	89.3	86.7	86.0	86.7	88.2	89.1	90.2	92.4	94.0	95.3
Food and kindred products .....	96.2	94.8	93.9	92.8	92.5	92.6	92.4	92.9	93.1	93.4	96.1	96.4	97.5
Tobacco manufactures .....	86.4	83.8	86.1	88.2	86.9	86.7	83.4	80.3	86.7	80.8	85.8	88.3	83.8
Textile mill products .....	92.6	88.4	83.3	78.0	75.8	77.2	80.8	85.7	87.0	88.5	93.0	96.5	98.5
Apparel and other textile products .....	90.3	86.3	82.2	80.1	76.9	76.5	78.5	79.8	82.4	84.6	85.3	87.5	89.6
Paper and allied products .....	98.4	95.7	93.9	91.0	87.4	85.3	84.5	85.7	86.4	87.6	89.6	91.3	92.2
Printing and publishing .....	99.1	97.5	97.0	96.7	94.9	93.9	92.6	92.0	91.2	90.9	92.4	92.1	91.7
Chemicals and allied products .....	104.0	102.4	99.3	96.6	95.0	92.4	91.4	92.7	92.6	93.0	94.5	95.8	96.3
Petroleum and coal products .....	110.6	109.6	108.7	102.8	100.2	104.0	101.4	104.4	105.3	107.2	107.3	109.5	108.9
Rubber and plastics products, nec .....	132.8	123.0	117.4	113.8	104.2	100.4	102.1	105.1	105.1	106.9	110.6	113.4	115.8
Leather and leather products .....	73.5	73.0	70.3	67.8	64.4	63.0	65.8	66.8	69.6	71.4	72.1	74.9	77.5
<b>SERVICE-PRODUCING</b> .....	120.0	119.6	119.1	118.9	118.4	118.1	117.6	118.0	117.8	118.3	119.0	118.9	119.2
<b>TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC UTILITIES</b> .....	107.7	106.8	106.2	105.0	103.5	102.1	102.3	100.3	100.6	100.3	100.5	101.0	100.6
<b>WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE</b> .....	116.3	115.7	114.7	114.3	113.7	113.9	113.4	113.9	113.7	114.6	115.2	114.8	115.1
<b>WHOLESALE TRADE</b> .....	114.3	113.8	113.3	113.0	112.1	111.6	111.5	111.4	110.3	110.8	111.0	111.3	111.6
<b>RETAIL TRADE</b> .....	117.0	116.4	115.2	114.7	114.2	114.8	114.0	114.8	115.0	116.0	116.8	116.2	116.4
<b>FINANCE, INSURANCE, AND REAL ESTATE</b> .....	125.0	125.1	125.1	125.2	124.5	123.6	122.1	122.9	123.2	122.3	122.9	123.4	123.8
<b>SERVICES</b> .....	129.1	129.3	129.3	129.9	129.9	129.6	129.3	130.3	129.9	130.4	131.4	131.3	131.9

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

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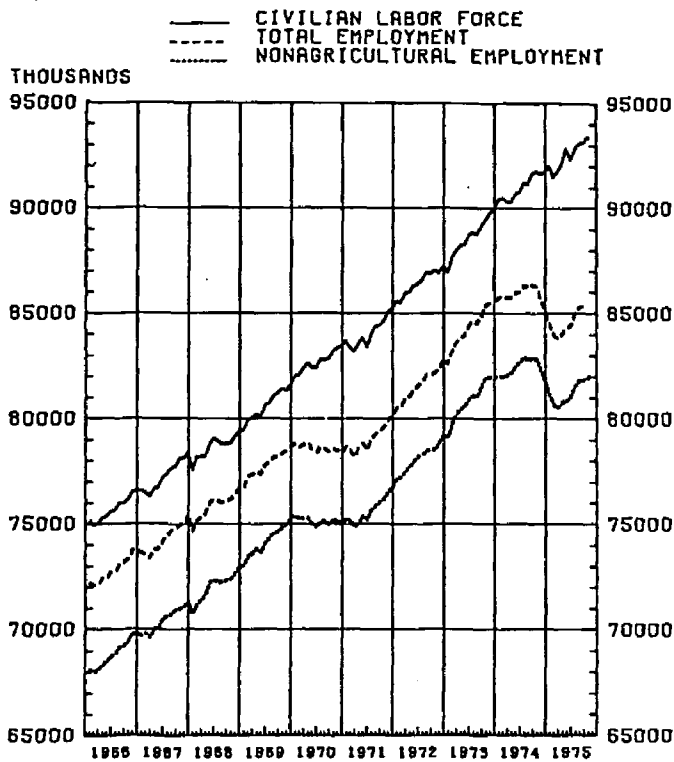
Table B-6. Indexes of diffusion: Percent of industries in which employment<sup>1</sup> increased

Year and month	Over 1-month span	Over 3-month span	Over 6-month span	Over 12-month span
1972				
January .....	69.5	76.2	81.7	77.3
February .....	73.5	82.8	83.1	81.1
March .....	75.0	80.2	85.2	78.8
April .....	71.8	82.0	78.5	82.3
May .....	76.2	77.6	79.9	84.6
June .....	70.6	70.3	79.9	84.3
July .....	48.0	70.6	83.1	84.0
August .....	67.7	70.6	81.7	84.0
September .....	73.0	80.8	80.2	85.2
October .....	79.9	83.4	83.7	82.8
November .....	73.3	79.1	82.0	80.8
December .....	75.9	82.0	84.0	83.1
1973				
January .....	76.7	84.0	81.7	81.1
February .....	75.0	83.7	79.4	80.8
March .....	73.8	76.2	79.4	82.6
April .....	62.5	71.5	74.7	81.4
May .....	59.9	70.3	72.1	79.7
June .....	68.0	63.1	66.6	78.5
July .....	55.8	66.9	72.1	75.6
August .....	63.1	64.8	72.7	73.5
September .....	61.6	74.7	73.0	69.2
October .....	72.7	75.9	75.6	66.0
November .....	75.0	76.5	70.3	66.6
December .....	66.6	70.1	66.0	64.2
1974				
January .....	59.3	62.8	60.8	63.4
February .....	52.6	53.8	55.2	59.6
March .....	46.5	48.0	49.7	55.2
April .....	47.1	48.3	48.5	50.3
May .....	55.2	51.7	49.7	40.1
June .....	53.2	52.6	45.6	28.2
July .....	52.3	45.1	37.2	27.0
August .....	45.9	39.2	31.1	22.4
September .....	36.0	40.4	23.3	20.9
October .....	37.8	28.8	17.7	18.6
November .....	20.1	21.5	17.2	16.6
December .....	18.6	13.4	13.1	14.0
1975				
January .....	18.6	12.5	13.4	16.6
February .....	16.6	13.7	13.1	17.4
March .....	25.0	19.2	16.3	17.7p
April .....	40.4	35.8	27.9	19.2p
May .....	53.8	40.4	40.1	
June .....	40.4	48.5	59.9p	
July .....	55.2	55.8	67.7p	
August .....	73.5	78.5p		
September .....	75.6p	77.9p		
October .....	62.8p			
November .....				
December .....				

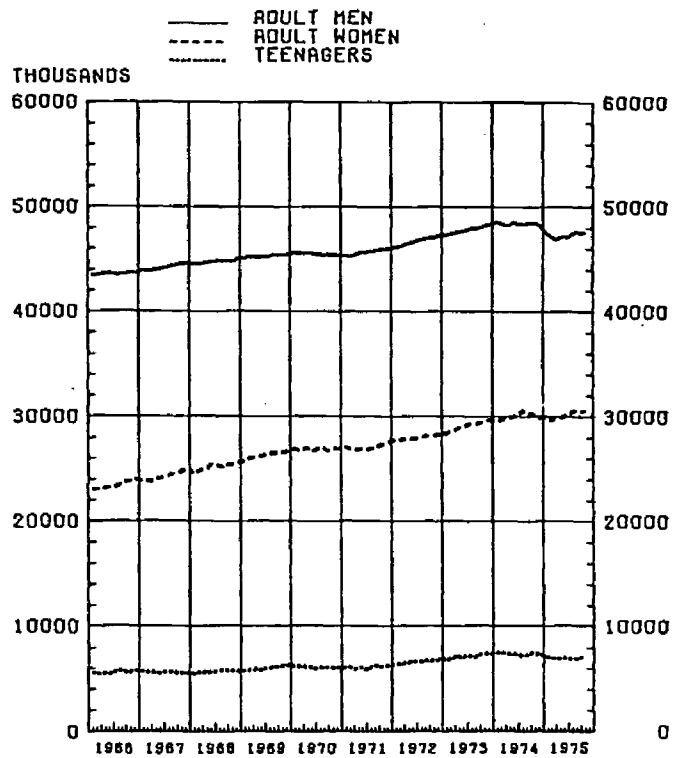
<sup>1</sup> Number of employees, seasonally adjusted, on payrolls of 172 private nonagricultural industries.  
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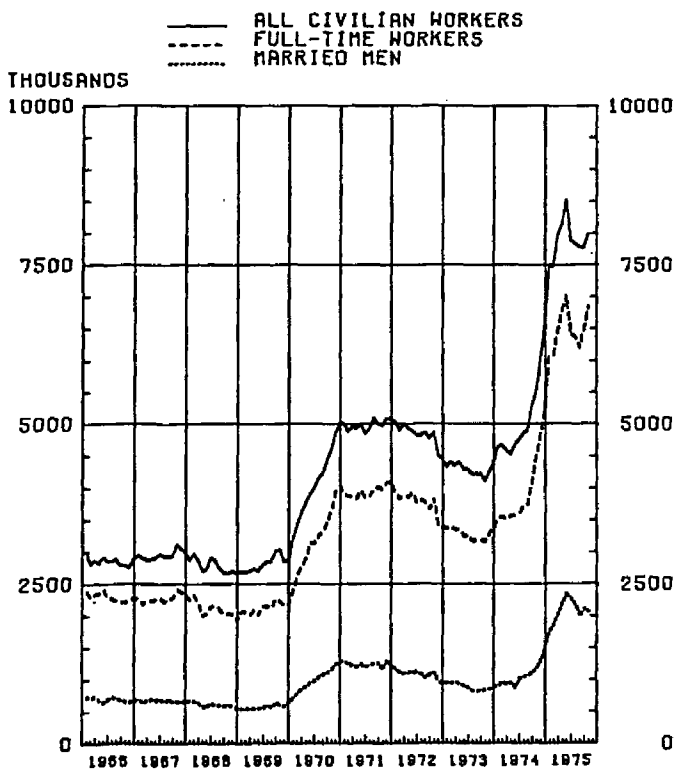
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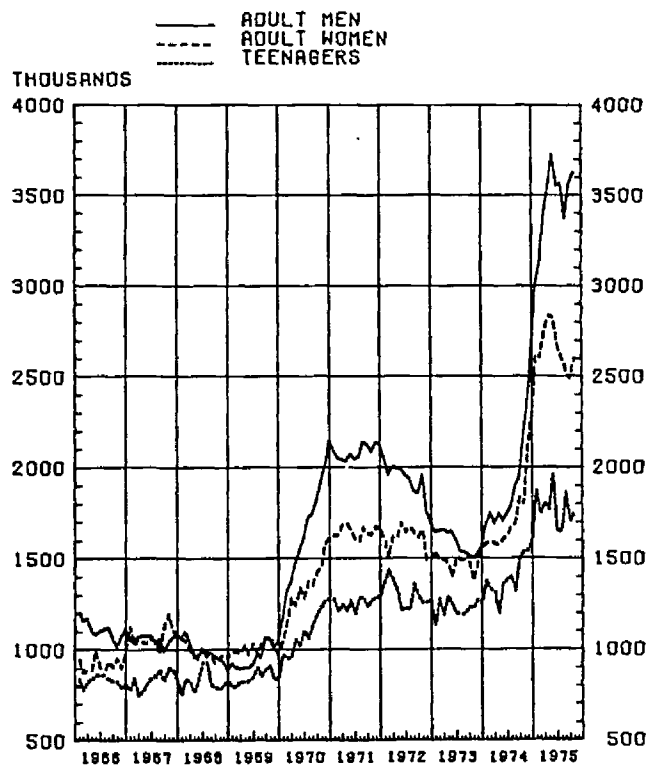
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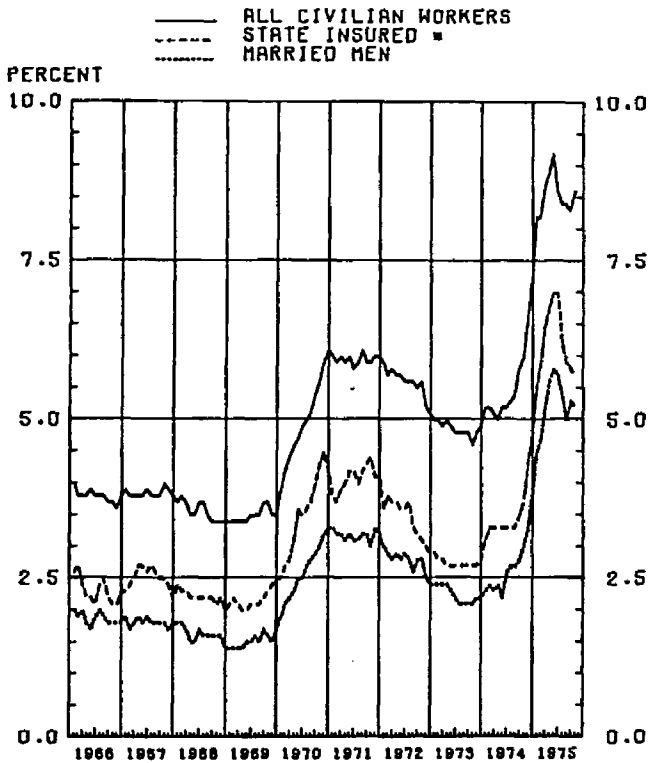


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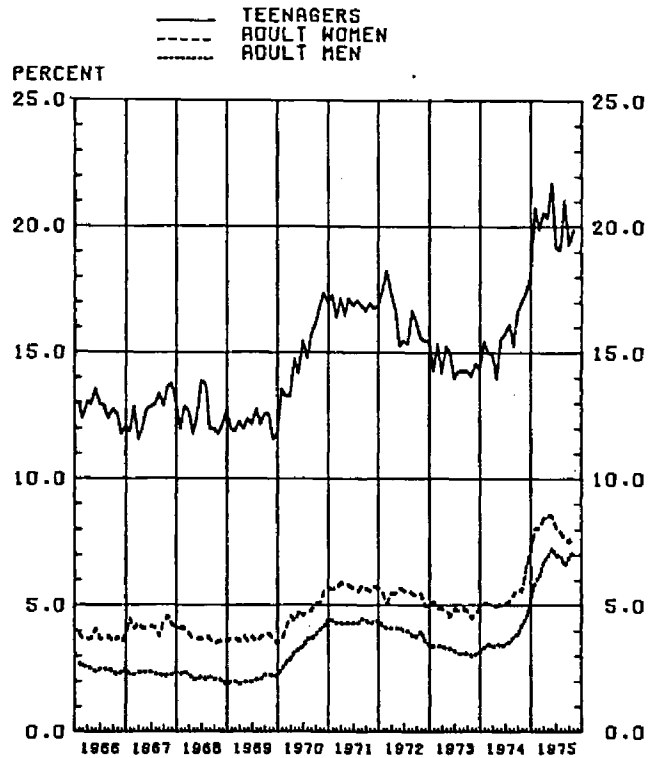


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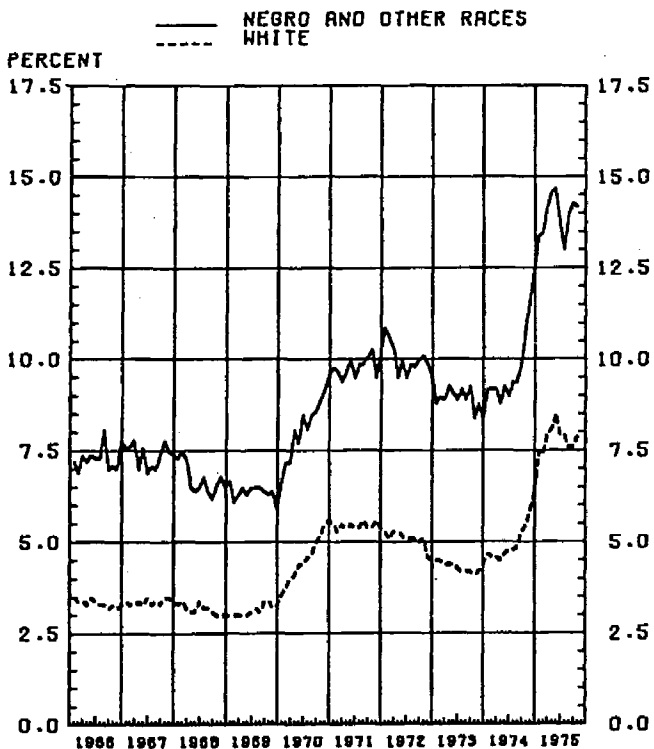
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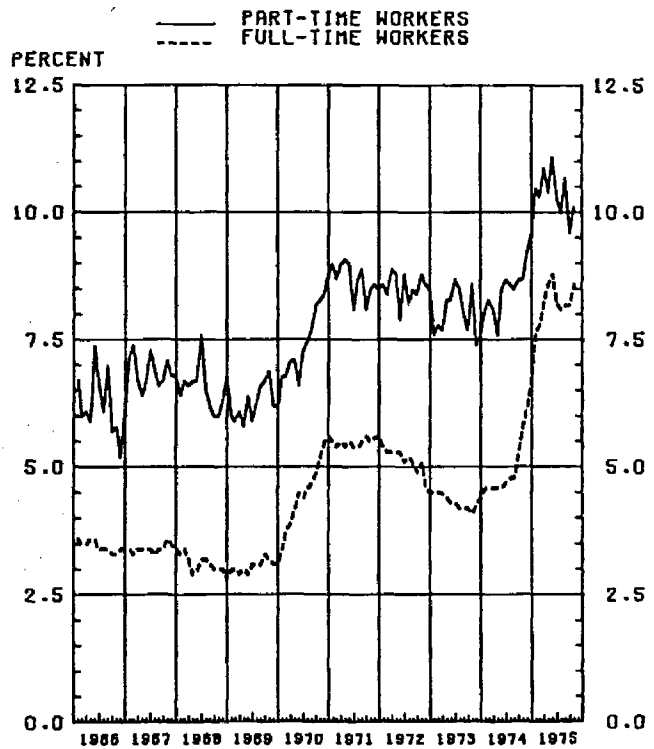
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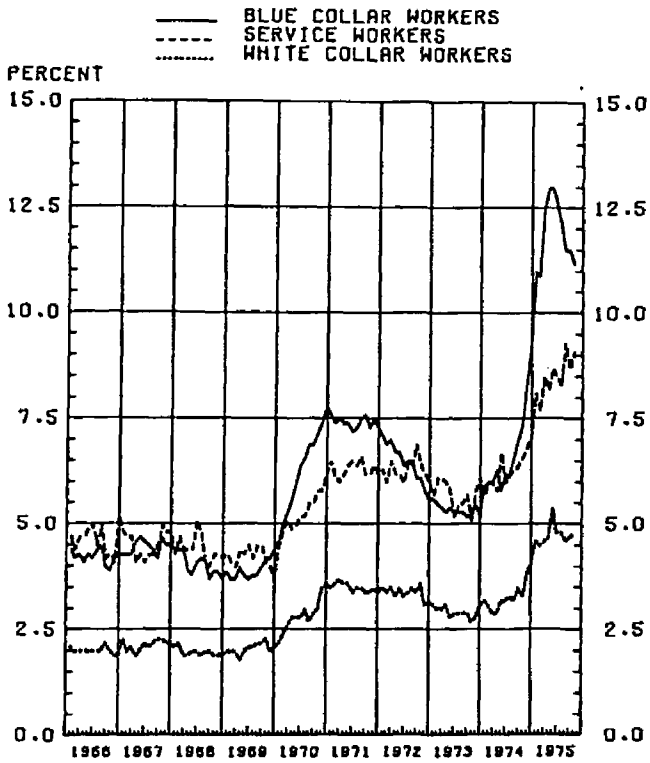


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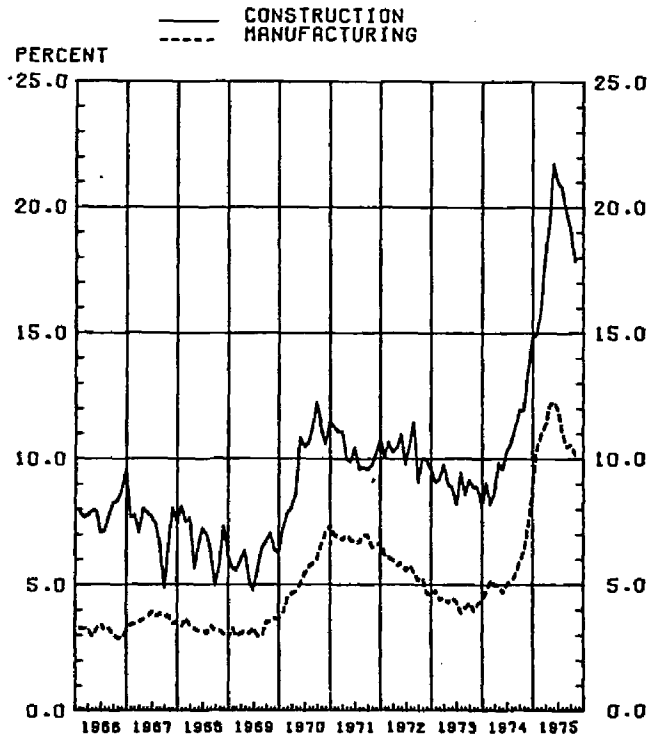


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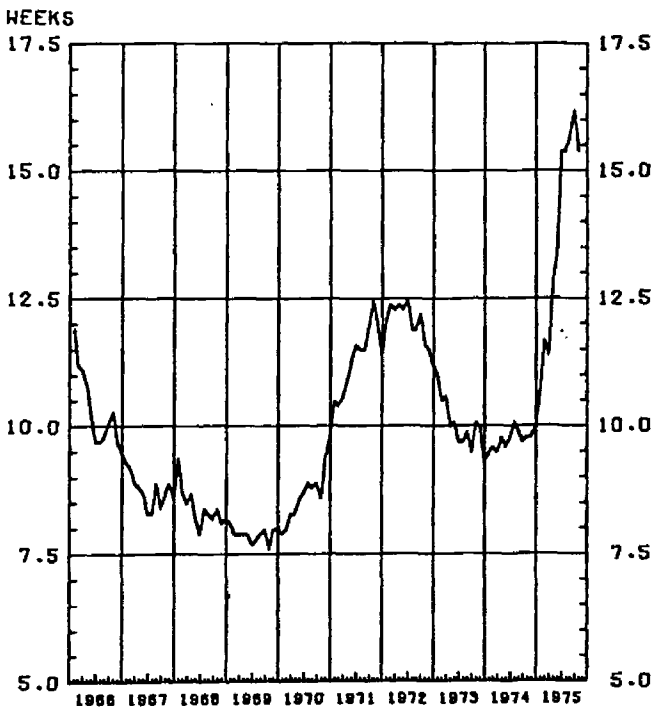
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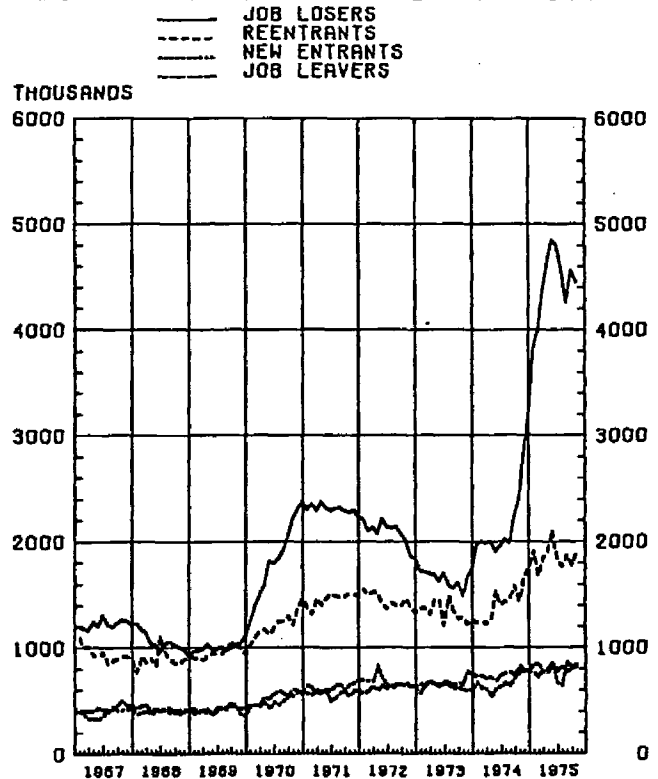
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## 11. AVERAGE DURATION OF UNEMPLOYMENT



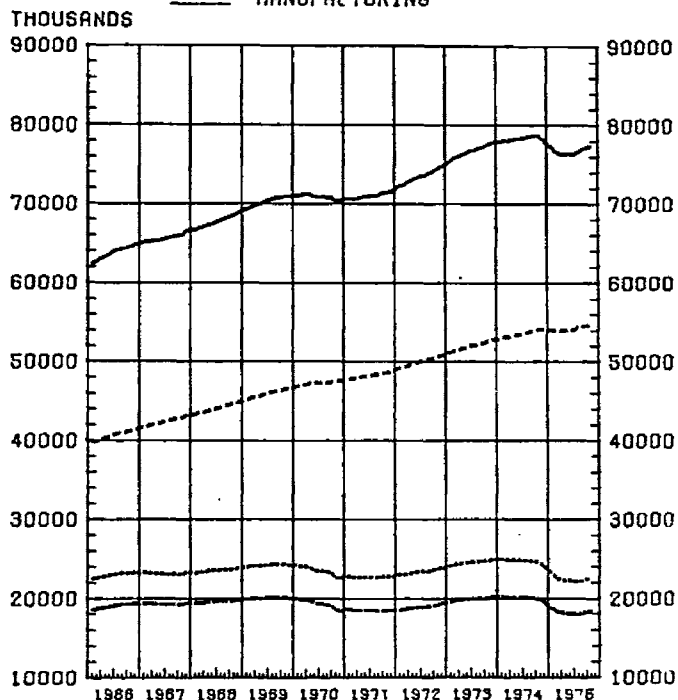
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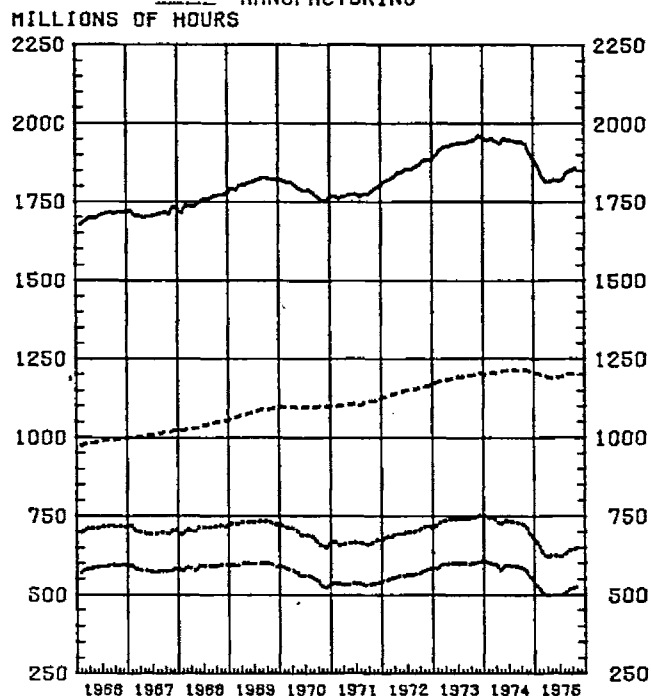
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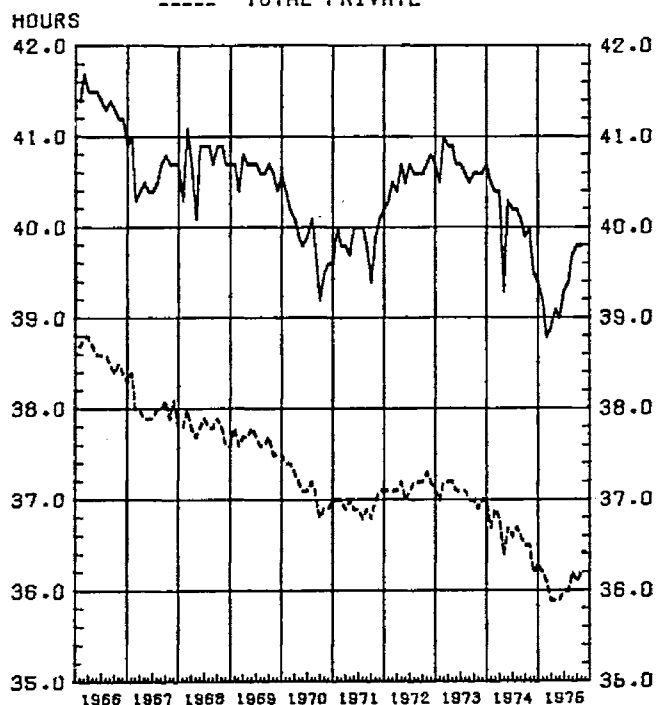
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 - - - - GOODS-PRODUCING  
 ——— MANUFACTURING

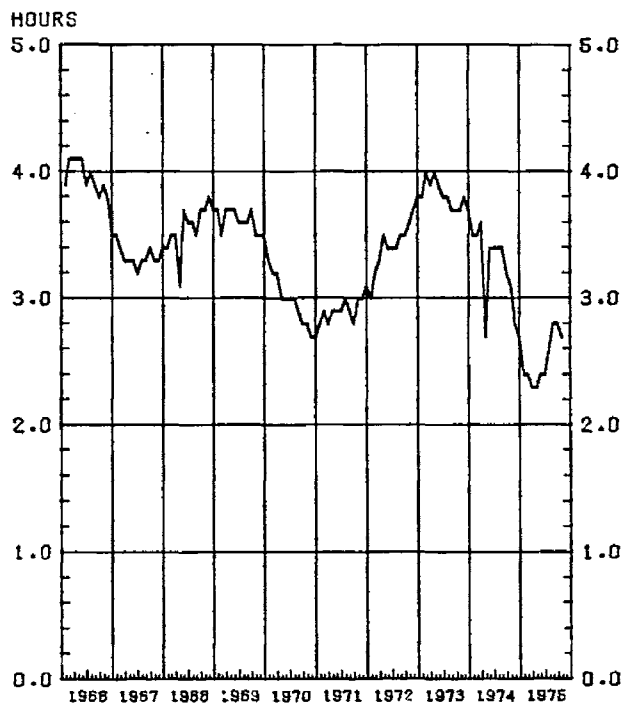


## 15. AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS

——— MANUFACTURING  
 - - - - TOTAL PRIVATE



## 16. AVERAGE WEEKLY OVERTIME HOURS IN MANUFACTURING



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