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THE EMPLOYMENT SITUATION: JULY 1976

Both unemployment and employment rose in July, as the labor force expanded sharply, it was reported today by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U. S. Department of Labor. The unemployment rate increased for the second straight month, moving from 7.3 percent in May to 7.8 percent in July.

Total employment--as measured by the monthly survey of households--rose by more than 400,000 to a new high of 87.9 million. This continued the comparatively brisk pace of employment growth that has totaled 3.8 million since the March 1975 recession low.

Nonagricultural payroll employment--as measured by the monthly survey of establishments--rose by 220,000 in July and probably would have risen even more except for increased strike activity during the month. Payroll jobs were up by 2.8 million from the June 1975 low for this series.

Unemployment

The number of unemployed persons increased by 280,000 in July, following a similar rise in the prior month. This brought the jobless total to 7.4 million. The rate of unemployment for all workers was 7.8 percent, up from 7.5 percent in June and 7.3 percent in May. (See tables A-1.)

Most of the July increase was among adult women, whose unemployment level was up by 180,000. This brought their rate of unemployment to 7.6 percent from 7.1 percent in June. Adult male joblessness showed little change in July after rising in the preceding month. At 6.1 percent, their unemployment rate was at its highest point since last December. By contrast, the incidence of unemployment among teenagers has remained stable for several months. (See table A-2.)

The unemployment rate for white workers rose in July to 7.1 percent, with increases among both adult men and women. Among black workers, the only sizeable change was a

decrease for teenagers, whose rate declined in July from 40.3 to 34.1 percent. The overall jobless rate of 12.9 percent for black workers has shown little change thus far in 1976.

Unemployment among household heads increased for the second month in a row, to 5.4 percent, with most of the July rise occurring among female heads. There were no substantial movements in unemployment among the major occupations and industries during July, but jobless rates were generally higher than in the prior month.

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

Selected categories	Quarterly averages					Monthly data		
	1975			1976		1976		
	II	III	IV	I	II	May	June	July
	(Thousands of persons)							
Civilian labor force	92,531	93,134	93,153	93,553	94,546	94,557	94,643	95,333
Total employment	84,443	85,138	85,241	86,402	87,532	87,697	87,500	87,907
Adult men	47,286	47,551	47,540	47,998	48,504	48,596	48,391	48,535
Adult women	30,129	30,537	30,665	31,234	31,677	31,664	31,845	31,958
Teenagers	7,029	7,050	7,036	7,169	7,351	7,437	7,264	7,414
Unemployment	8,087	7,997	7,912	7,151	7,014	6,860	7,143	7,426
	(Percent of labor force)							
Unemployment rates:								
All workers	8.7	8.6	8.5	7.6	7.4	7.3	7.5	7.8
Adult men	7.0	7.0	7.0	5.7	5.7	5.6	6.0	6.1
Adult women	8.4	7.9	7.9	7.4	7.1	6.8	7.1	7.6
Teenagers	20.2	20.2	19.5	19.4	18.7	18.5	18.4	18.1
White	8.0	7.9	7.8	6.9	6.7	6.6	6.8	7.1
Black and other	14.1	14.1	14.0	13.1	12.8	12.2	13.3	12.9
Household heads	6.0	5.9	5.9	5.0	4.9	4.8	5.1	5.4
Married men	5.5	5.4	5.1	4.1	4.1	4.0	4.4	4.5
Full-time workers	8.4	8.3	8.2	7.1	7.0	6.8	7.4	7.3
	(Weeks)							
Average duration of unemployment	13.8	15.6	16.5	16.3	15.8	15.0	16.9	15.8
	(Thousands of persons)							
Nonfarm payroll employment	76,438	77,004	77,642	78,392	78,929 ^p	78,923	78,900 ^p	79,121 ^p
Goods-producing industries	22,300	22,414	22,690	22,943	23,113 ^p	23,123	23,073 ^p	23,081 ^p
Service-producing industries	54,138	54,590	54,952	55,450	55,815 ^p	55,800	55,827 ^p	56,040 ^p
	(Hours of work)							
Average weekly hours:								
Total private nonfarm	35.9	36.1	36.3	36.4	36.1 ^p	36.2	36.1 ^p	36.2 ^p
Manufacturing	39.1	39.6	40.0	40.3	39.9 ^p	40.2	40.2 ^p	40.1 ^p
Manufacturing overtime	2.4	2.7	2.9	3.1	2.9 ^p	3.2	3.1 ^p	3.1 ^p
	(1967=100)							
Hourly Earnings Index, private nonfarm:								
In current dollars	170.7	174.3	177.8	180.6	183.5 ^p	183.7	184.5 ^p	185.6 ^p
In constant dollars	107.0	107.1	107.5	107.9	108.4 ^p	108.5	108.5 ^p	N.A.

^p= preliminary.

N.A.=not available.

Following erratic movements in May and June, the average duration of unemployment was 15.8 weeks in July, about equal to the levels which prevailed during March and April. While the number unemployed less than 5 weeks rose, there was a decline among the very long-term unemployed, those out of work 27 weeks or more. (See table A-4.)

Total Employment and the Labor Force

There was a strong increase in employment in July, following a small decline in the previous month. The 410,000 rise brought the total to 87.9 million, 3.8 million above the March 1975 trough. Most of the increase over the month was among adult men, whose employment had declined in June. Their employment level was up 260,000 to 52.5 million, about the same level as in April and May. Although the July change was small, women's employment continued on a generally upward course. (See table A-1.)

The civilian labor force grew substantially in July, as the numbers of adult men, adult women, and teenagers all increased. At 95.3 million, the civilian labor force was nearly 700,000 above June's level and 2.3 million larger than a year earlier. As a result of this growth, the civilian labor force participation rate for all workers rose to a new high in July of 61.9 percent.

Industry Payroll Employment

Nonagricultural payroll employment increased by 220,000 in July to 79.1 million, seasonally adjusted, after having been about unchanged since April. The payroll job count has grown by nearly 2.8 million since its June 1975 recession low. Over-the-month employment gains occurred in 60 percent of the industries that comprise the BLS diffusion index of nonagricultural payroll employment. (See tables B-1 and B-6.)

The largest over-the-month advance occurred in State and local government, where 90,000 employees were added to payrolls. This followed 3 months of little or no growth. Employment gains also took place in retail trade (60,000) and services (45,000). There would have been an even greater increase in the latter industry were it not for a strike among hospital workers.

Employment in manufacturing was unchanged in July, as generally small movements in durables and nondurables tended to offset each other. Since the July low of last year, factory employment has risen by 850,000, with two-thirds of the growth occurring in the

durable goods industries.

At 3.4 million, the job count in contract construction was unchanged from July a year ago and was some 700,000 below the peak attained in early 1974.

Hours

The average workweek for all production or nonsupervisory workers on private nonfarm payrolls was 36.2 hours in July, seasonally adjusted, remaining in the narrow 36.1-36.2 hour range that has held since March. (See table B-2.) The workweek was slightly above the recession low but had been as high as 36.5 hours last winter.

The manufacturing workweek edged down 0.1 hour to 40.1 hours in July, while overtime hours held steady at 3.1 hours. These indicators, however, were 1.3 and 0.8 hours, respectively, above early 1975 recession lows.

The index of aggregate hours of private nonagricultural production or nonsupervisory employees was unchanged over the month at 110.5 (1967=100) in July. It has shown relatively little change since January, after rising fairly steadily from its 1975 low point. The manufacturing index was down slightly over the month to 93.8, also little different from the first of the year. (See table B-5.)

Hourly and Weekly Earnings

Average hourly earnings of production or nonsupervisory workers on private nonagricultural payrolls rose 0.4 percent from the June level (seasonally adjusted) and 7.0 percent over the last 12 months. Average weekly earnings advanced 0.7 percent over the month and 7.6 percent from last July.

Before adjustment for seasonality, average hourly earnings were \$4.85, up 1 cent from June. Since July 1975, they have increased by 32 cents. Weekly earnings averaged \$177.51 in July, up \$1.33 from June and \$12.62 over the year. (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 185.6 (1967=100) in July, 0.6 percent higher than in June. The index was 7.3 percent above July a year ago. During the 12-month period ended in June, the Hourly Earnings Index in dollars of constant purchasing power rose 1.1 percent. (See table B-4.)

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

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Table A-1. Employment status of the noninstitutional population

(Numbers in thousands)

Employment status	Not seasonally adjusted			Seasonally adjusted					
	July 1975	June 1976	July 1976	July 1975	Mar. 1976	Apr. 1976	May 1976	June 1976	July 1976
TOTAL									
Total noninstitutional population ¹	153,585	155,925	156,142	153,585	155,325	155,516	155,711	155,925	156,142
Total labor force	97,046	98,251	99,325	95,249	95,866	96,583	96,699	96,780	97,473
Participation rate	63.2	63.0	63.6	62.0	61.7	62.1	62.1	62.1	62.4
Civilian noninstitutional population ¹	151,399	153,788	154,002	151,399	153,178	153,371	153,570	153,788	154,002
Civilian labor force	94,859	96,114	97,185	93,063	93,719	94,439	94,557	94,643	95,333
Participation rate	62.7	62.5	63.1	61.5	61.2	61.6	61.6	61.5	61.9
Employed	86,650	88,460	89,608	84,967	86,692	87,399	87,697	87,500	87,907
Agriculture	4,090	3,780	3,931	3,439	3,179	3,417	3,329	3,294	3,341
Nonagricultural industries	82,560	84,680	85,677	81,528	83,513	83,982	84,368	84,206	84,566
Unemployed	8,209	7,655	7,577	8,096	7,027	7,040	6,860	7,143	7,426
Unemployment rate	8.7	8.0	7.8	8.7	7.5	7.5	7.3	7.5	7.8
Not in labor force	56,540	57,674	56,817	58,336	59,459	58,932	59,013	59,145	58,669
Males, 20 years and over									
Total noninstitutional population ¹	65,128	66,182	66,279	65,128	65,920	66,002	66,087	66,182	66,279
Total labor force	53,157	53,541	53,760	52,848	52,623	53,010	53,144	53,144	53,387
Participation rate	81.6	80.9	81.1	81.1	79.8	80.3	80.4	80.3	80.5
Civilian noninstitutional population ¹	63,403	64,492	64,586	63,403	64,230	64,311	64,398	64,492	64,586
Civilian labor force	51,432	51,851	52,068	51,123	50,934	51,319	51,455	51,454	51,694
Participation rate	81.1	80.4	80.6	80.6	79.3	79.8	79.9	79.8	80.0
Employed	48,061	48,871	49,143	47,481	48,081	48,524	48,596	48,391	48,535
Agriculture	2,591	2,588	2,596	2,443	2,301	2,405	2,427	2,430	2,449
Nonagricultural industries	45,470	46,283	46,547	45,038	45,780	46,119	46,169	45,961	46,086
Unemployed	3,371	2,980	2,925	3,642	2,853	2,795	2,859	3,063	3,159
Unemployment rate	6.6	5.7	5.6	7.1	5.6	5.4	5.6	6.0	6.1
Not in labor force	11,971	12,641	12,518	12,280	13,296	12,992	12,943	13,038	12,892
Females, 20 years and over									
Civilian noninstitutional population ¹	71,729	72,857	72,966	71,729	72,561	72,653	72,753	72,857	72,966
Civilian labor force	32,350	33,857	33,769	33,097	33,865	34,019	33,972	34,290	34,583
Participation rate	45.1	46.5	46.3	46.1	46.7	46.8	46.7	47.1	47.4
Employed	29,688	31,429	31,126	30,453	31,398	31,523	31,664	31,845	31,958
Agriculture	675	596	632	521	442	540	473	479	488
Nonagricultural industries	29,013	30,833	30,494	29,932	30,956	30,983	31,191	31,366	31,470
Unemployed	2,662	2,428	2,643	2,644	2,467	2,496	2,308	2,445	2,625
Unemployment rate	8.2	7.2	7.8	8.0	7.3	7.3	6.8	7.1	7.6
Not in labor force	39,379	39,000	39,196	38,632	38,696	38,634	38,781	38,567	38,383
Both sexes, 16-19 years									
Civilian noninstitutional population ¹	16,267	16,439	16,450	16,267	16,387	16,407	16,419	16,439	16,450
Civilian labor force	11,078	10,407	11,348	8,843	8,920	9,101	9,130	8,899	9,056
Participation rate	68.1	63.3	69.0	54.4	54.4	55.5	55.6	54.1	55.1
Employed	8,901	8,160	9,339	7,033	7,213	7,352	7,437	7,264	7,414
Agriculture	824	596	704	475	436	472	429	385	404
Nonagricultural industries	8,077	7,564	8,635	6,558	6,777	6,880	7,008	6,879	7,010
Unemployed	2,176	2,247	2,008	1,810	1,707	1,749	1,693	1,635	1,642
Unemployment rate	19.6	21.6	17.7	20.5	19.1	19.2	18.5	18.4	18.1
Not in labor force	5,189	6,032	5,102	7,424	7,467	7,306	7,289	7,540	7,394
WHITE									
Civilian noninstitutional population ¹	133,579	135,473	135,643	133,579	134,987	135,141	135,296	135,473	135,643
Civilian labor force	83,889	85,005	85,850	82,520	82,961	83,451	83,642	83,805	84,359
Participation rate	62.8	62.7	63.3	61.8	61.5	61.8	61.8	61.9	62.2
Employed	77,270	78,987	79,856	75,831	77,282	77,867	78,087	78,120	78,341
Unemployed	6,619	6,018	5,993	6,689	5,679	5,584	5,555	5,685	6,018
Unemployment rate	7.9	7.1	7.0	8.1	6.8	6.7	6.6	6.8	7.1
Not in labor force	49,690	50,468	49,793	51,059	52,026	51,690	51,654	51,668	51,284
BLACK AND OTHER									
Civilian noninstitutional population ¹	17,820	18,315	18,359	17,820	18,191	18,230	18,273	18,315	18,359
Civilian labor force	10,970	11,110	11,335	10,503	10,748	10,901	10,838	10,826	10,867
Participation rate	61.6	60.7	61.7	58.9	59.1	59.8	59.3	59.1	59.2
Employed	9,380	9,473	9,752	9,093	9,407	9,489	9,511	9,382	9,466
Unemployed	1,590	1,637	1,584	1,410	1,341	1,412	1,327	1,444	1,401
Unemployment rate	14.5	14.7	14.0	13.4	12.5	13.0	12.2	13.3	12.9
Not in labor force	6,850	7,206	7,024	7,317	7,443	7,329	7,435	7,489	7,492

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

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Table A-2. Major unemployment indicators, seasonally adjusted

Selected categories	Number of unemployed persons (In thousands)		Unemployment rates					
	July 1975	July 1976	July 1975	Mar. 1976	Apr. 1976	May 1976	June 1976	July 1976
	Total, 16 years and over	8,096	7,426	8.7	7.5	7.5	7.3	7.5
Males, 20 years and over	3,642	3,159	7.1	5.6	5.4	5.6	6.0	6.1
Females, 20 years and over	2,644	2,625	8.0	7.3	7.3	6.8	7.1	7.6
Both sexes, 16-19 years	1,810	1,642	20.5	19.1	19.2	18.5	18.4	18.1
White, total	6,689	6,018	8.1	6.8	6.7	6.6	6.8	7.1
Males, 20 years and over	3,057	2,622	6.7	5.1	4.9	5.1	5.4	5.7
Females, 20 years and over	2,155	2,069	7.5	6.8	6.7	6.3	6.5	6.9
Both sexes, 16-19 years	1,477	1,327	18.6	17.2	16.6	16.3	16.1	16.3
Black and other, total	1,410	1,401	13.4	12.5	13.0	12.2	13.3	12.9
Males, 20 years and over	608	553	11.6	10.3	10.0	9.2	10.7	10.3
Females, 20 years and over	474	538	11.0	10.1	10.9	10.4	11.3	11.7
Both sexes, 16-19 years	328	310	35.3	35.9	39.2	38.5	40.3	34.1
Household heads, total	3,261	2,911	6.1	5.0	4.8	4.8	5.1	5.4
Males	2,621	2,231	5.8	4.5	4.5	4.4	4.8	4.9
With relatives	2,193	1,813	5.4	4.0	3.9	4.0	4.3	4.5
Without relatives	428	418	9.5	8.8	9.3	8.1	8.9	8.6
Females	640	659	7.8	7.3	6.9	6.3	6.7	7.7
With relatives	410	414	10.3	9.4	9.3	8.6	9.2	10.0
Without relatives	230	245	5.4	5.4	4.7	4.1	4.4	5.5
Married men, spouse present	2,206	1,786	5.5	4.1	3.9	4.0	4.4	4.5
Full-time workers	6,693	5,902	8.5	7.0	7.0	6.8	7.4	7.3
Part-time workers	1,396	1,537	9.9	10.3	10.7	10.2	9.0	10.7
Unemployed 15 weeks and over ¹	2,954	2,317	3.2	2.4	2.2	2.1	2.3	2.4
Labor force time lost ²	--	--	8.9	8.2	8.2	8.1	7.7	7.9
OCCUPATION³								
White-collar workers	2,144	2,193	4.8	4.6	4.8	4.6	4.4	4.8
Professional and technical	468	431	3.5	3.5	3.4	3.2	2.9	3.1
Managers and administrators, except farm	266	329	3.0	2.9	2.8	3.2	3.1	3.5
Sales workers	301	309	5.1	5.0	4.9	4.8	5.1	5.4
Clerical workers	1,109	1,124	6.8	6.3	7.0	6.4	6.1	6.7
Blue-collar workers	3,887	3,098	12.3	9.1	9.0	9.0	9.3	9.6
Craft and kindred workers	1,132	907	9.3	6.7	7.0	6.2	7.3	7.4
Operatives	1,969	1,527	13.4	9.8	9.3	9.5	9.8	10.1
Nonfarm laborers	786	664	16.0	12.9	13.2	14.0	12.7	13.2
Service workers	1,073	1,125	8.4	8.6	8.1	8.1	8.6	8.5
Farm workers	92	136	3.0	5.0	4.8	5.0	4.1	4.5
INDUSTRY³								
Nonagricultural private wage and salary workers ⁴	6,298	5,509	9.4	7.7	7.6	7.6	7.8	8.0
Construction	919	790	20.4	16.0	15.3	14.1	17.0	17.7
Manufacturing	2,400	1,656	11.5	7.3	7.6	7.3	7.6	7.8
Durable goods	1,494	929	12.1	7.4	7.7	7.4	7.5	7.3
Nondurable goods	906	727	10.6	7.1	7.6	7.3	7.7	8.4
Transportation and public utilities	268	245	5.6	4.5	4.1	5.3	5.2	5.2
Wholesale and retail trade	1,429	1,499	8.4	8.7	8.3	8.1	8.2	8.5
Finance and service industries	1,235	1,271	6.5	6.1	6.2	6.4	6.3	6.4
Government workers	635	712	4.1	4.5	5.0	4.8	4.2	4.5
Agricultural wage and salary workers	137	184	9.3	11.8	11.6	13.1	10.9	12.4
VETERAN STATUS								
Males, Vietnam-era veterans ⁵ :								
20 to 34 years	587	531	9.7	7.0	6.7	7.3	8.8	8.4
20 to 24 years	185	190	18.3	15.6	14.7	14.7	19.6	20.0
25 to 29 years	280	210	8.5	6.6	6.2	6.6	7.9	6.8
30 to 34 years	122	131	6.8	3.8	3.7	5.1	5.5	5.7
Males, nonveterans:								
20 to 34 years	1,520	1,323	10.6	8.3	7.9	7.9	7.8	8.7
20 to 24 years	923	729	14.4	11.8	10.8	10.9	10.5	10.9
25 to 29 years	370	403	8.8	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.4	8.3
30 to 34 years	227	191	6.1	4.9	5.0	4.8	4.9	5.3

¹ Unemployment rate calculated as a percent of civilian labor force.² Aggregate hours lost by the unemployed and persons on part time for economic reasons as a percent of potentially available labor force hours.³ Unemployment by occupation includes all experienced unemployed persons, whereas that by industry covers only unemployed wage and salary workers.⁴ Includes mining, not shown separately.⁵ Vietnam-era veterans are those who served between August 5, 1964, and April 30, 1975.

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Table A-3. Selected employment indicators

[in thousands]

Selected categories	Not seasonally adjusted		Seasonally adjusted					
	July 1975	July 1976	July 1975	Mar. 1976	Apr. 1976	May 1976	June 1976	July 1976
Total employed, 16 years and over	86,650	89,608	84,967	86,692	87,399	87,697	87,500	87,907
Males	53,000	54,264	51,280	51,944	52,490	52,554	52,243	52,501
Females	33,650	35,344	33,687	34,748	34,909	35,143	35,257	35,406
Household heads	50,291	51,156	50,191	50,789	51,165	51,200	51,163	51,054
Married men, spouse present	38,072	38,261	37,946	38,087	38,205	38,215	38,090	38,147
Married women, spouse present	18,845	19,624	19,584	20,001	20,073	20,280	20,337	20,399
OCCUPATION								
White-collar workers	42,110	43,179	42,405	43,458	43,433	43,792	43,763	43,481
Professional and technical	12,362	12,712	12,937	13,204	13,004	13,262	13,439	13,297
Managers and administrators, except farm	8,841	9,298	8,725	9,300	9,387	9,200	9,257	9,179
Sales workers	5,607	5,473	5,567	5,398	5,488	5,562	5,512	5,435
Clerical workers	15,299	15,695	15,176	15,556	15,554	15,768	15,555	15,570
Blue-collar workers	29,100	30,634	27,802	28,545	29,110	29,115	29,166	29,279
Craft and kindred workers	11,410	11,816	10,977	11,030	11,161	11,268	11,238	11,372
Operatives	12,827	13,679	12,684	13,191	13,508	13,514	13,690	13,530
Nonfarm laborers	4,863	5,139	4,141	4,324	4,441	4,333	4,238	4,377
Service workers	11,881	12,416	11,661	11,781	11,858	11,981	12,028	12,185
Farm workers	3,560	3,379	3,023	2,712	2,922	2,833	2,802	2,878
MAJOR INDUSTRY AND CLASS OF WORKER								
Agriculture:								
Wage and salary workers	1,718	1,665	1,342	1,317	1,388	1,286	1,299	1,301
Self-employed workers	1,829	1,805	1,717	1,568	1,641	1,672	1,670	1,695
Unpaid family workers	543	461	400	284	394	359	341	340
Nonagricultural industries:								
Wage and salary workers	76,330	79,425	75,343	77,376	77,834	78,134	78,098	78,390
Private households	1,367	1,453	1,350	1,308	1,351	1,294	1,415	1,436
Government	14,228	14,478	14,723	14,980	14,796	14,850	14,894	14,988
Other	60,735	63,494	59,270	61,088	61,687	61,990	61,789	61,966
Self-employed workers	5,803	5,807	5,645	5,594	5,608	5,778	5,657	5,649
Unpaid family workers	427	445	415	444	463	460	451	432
PERSONS AT WORK ¹								
Nonagricultural industries	70,508	74,347	75,187	78,167	77,413	79,056	79,497	79,189
Full-time schedules	58,203	62,257	61,035	64,328	63,708	64,947	64,860	65,259
Part time for economic reasons	4,053	3,803	3,277	3,266	3,248	3,382	3,080	3,012
Usually work full time	1,443	1,191	1,526	1,230	1,342	1,457	1,307	1,259
Usually work part time	2,610	2,612	1,751	2,036	1,906	1,925	1,773	1,753
Part time for noneconomic reasons	8,252	8,287	10,875	10,573	10,457	10,727	11,557	10,918

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

Table A-4. Duration of unemployment

[Numbers in thousands]

Weeks of unemployment	Not seasonally adjusted		Seasonally adjusted					
	July 1975	July 1976	July 1975	Mar. 1976	Apr. 1976	May 1976	June 1976	July 1976
Less than 5 weeks	2,981	3,066	2,868	2,609	2,979	2,855	2,618	2,951
5 to 14 weeks	2,536	2,401	2,141	1,905	1,883	1,947	2,261	2,028
15 weeks and over	2,692	2,111	2,954	2,294	2,035	1,998	2,215	2,317
15 to 26 weeks	1,220	805	1,600	903	669	830	914	1,116
27 weeks and over	1,472	1,306	1,354	1,391	1,366	1,168	1,301	1,201
Average (mean) duration, in weeks	14.2	14.9	15.1	15.8	15.7	15.0	16.9	15.8
PERCENT DISTRIBUTION								
Total unemployed	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Less than 5 weeks	36.3	40.5	36.0	38.3	43.2	42.0	36.9	40.4
5 to 14 weeks	30.9	31.7	26.9	28.0	27.3	28.6	31.9	27.8
15 weeks and over	32.8	27.9	37.1	33.7	29.5	29.4	31.2	31.8
15 to 26 weeks	14.9	10.6	20.1	13.3	9.7	12.2	12.9	15.3
27 weeks and over	17.9	17.2	17.0	20.4	19.8	17.2	18.3	16.5

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Table A-5. Reasons for unemployment

[Numbers in thousands]

Reason	Not seasonally adjusted		Seasonally adjusted					
	July 1975	July 1976	July 1975	Mar. 1976	Apr. 1976	May 1976	June 1976	July 1976
NUMBER OF UNEMPLOYED								
Lost last job	4,302	3,505	4,715	3,502	3,499	3,461	3,623	3,843
Left last job	845	1,000	815	760	831	881	882	964
Reentered labor force	1,895	1,945	1,808	1,857	1,833	1,781	1,795	1,856
Seeking first job	1,168	1,128	835	853	894	856	805	795
PERCENT DISTRIBUTION								
Total unemployed	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Job losers	52.4	46.3	57.7	50.2	49.6	49.6	51.0	51.5
Job leavers	10.3	13.2	10.0	10.9	11.8	12.6	12.4	12.9
Reentrants	23.1	25.7	22.1	26.6	26.0	25.5	25.3	24.9
New entrants	14.2	14.9	10.2	12.2	12.7	12.3	11.3	10.7
UNEMPLOYED AS A PERCENT OF THE CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE								
Job losers	4.5	3.6	5.1	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.8	4.0
Job leavers9	1.0	.9	.8	.9	.9	.9	1.0
Reentrants	2.0	2.0	1.9	2.0	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9
New entrants	1.2	1.2	.9	.9	.9	.9	.9	.8

Table A-6. Unemployment by sex and age

Sex and age	Not seasonally adjusted			Seasonally adjusted unemployment rates					
	Thousands of persons		Percent looking for full-time work	July 1975	Mar. 1976	Apr. 1976	May 1976	June 1976	July 1976
	July 1975	July 1976							
Total, 16 years and over	8,209	7,577	82.4	8.7	7.5	7.5	7.3	7.5	7.8
16 to 19 years	2,176	2,008	67.2	20.5	19.1	19.2	18.5	18.4	18.1
16 to 17 years	1,026	1,028	54.3	21.5	20.0	20.8	21.9	21.5	20.8
18 to 19 years	1,150	981	80.7	19.4	18.6	18.2	16.4	15.6	15.9
20 to 24 years	1,942	1,656	90.2	13.7	12.1	11.8	11.1	11.4	11.2
25 years and over	4,090	3,912	87.0	6.3	5.1	5.1	5.0	5.5	5.9
25 to 54 years	3,461	3,287	89.2	6.7	5.2	5.3	5.3	5.7	6.1
55 years and over	629	625	75.0	4.8	4.8	4.6	4.2	4.7	4.8
Males, 16 years and over	4,579	4,014	86.6	8.3	6.8	6.7	6.8	7.0	7.2
16 to 19 years	1,208	1,089	67.7	21.1	19.3	20.1	19.4	18.5	18.4
16 to 17 years	600	575	55.7	22.4	20.8	21.5	23.1	21.3	21.0
18 to 19 years	608	514	81.1	19.8	18.4	19.1	16.9	15.9	16.4
20 to 24 years	1,112	917	93.1	14.9	12.0	11.2	11.3	11.7	11.9
25 years and over	2,259	2,008	93.8	5.8	4.5	4.5	4.4	5.0	5.1
25 to 54 years	1,899	1,684	96.2	6.1	4.3	4.6	4.5	5.1	5.4
55 years and over	359	323	81.7	4.5	5.0	4.4	4.4	4.8	4.2
Females, 16 years and over	3,631	3,563	77.7	9.3	8.6	8.5	8.0	8.3	8.7
16 to 19 years	969	920	66.6	19.7	18.9	18.1	17.5	18.2	17.8
16 to 17 years	427	453	52.5	20.3	19.1	19.9	20.5	21.6	20.7
18 to 19 years	542	467	80.3	18.8	18.8	17.1	15.9	15.3	15.3
20 to 24 years	831	739	86.5	12.2	12.2	12.6	10.8	11.0	10.4
25 years and over	1,831	1,904	79.7	7.1	6.2	6.1	6.0	6.3	7.1
25 to 54 years	1,562	1,602	82.0	7.5	6.5	6.5	6.4	6.7	7.3
55 years and over	269	302	67.9	5.2	4.5	4.9	4.0	4.5	5.8

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

[In thousands]

Industry	Not seasonally adjusted				Seasonally adjusted					
	July 1975	May 1976	June 1976 ^P	July 1976 ^P	July 1975	Mar. 1976	Apr. 1976	May 1976	June 1976 ^P	July 1976 ^P
TOTAL	76 439	79 115	79 760	78 817	76 679	78 630	78 963	78 923	78 900	79 121
GOODS-PRODUCING	22,370	23,033	23,415	23,179	22,222	23,013	23,144	23,123	23,073	23,081
MINING	758	775	796	806	743	770	772	773	780	790
CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION	3,605	3,386	3,516	3,568	3,395	3,366	3,399	3,386	3,355	3,360
MANUFACTURING	18,007	18,872	19,103	18,805	18,084	18,877	18,973	18,964	18,938	18,931
<i>Production workers</i>	12,744	13,571	13,764	13,452	12,840	13,577	13,668	13,656	13,620	13,599
DURABLE GOODS	10,425	11,034	11,165	10,938	10,465	10,937	11,000	11,046	11,050	11,024
<i>Production workers</i>	7,301	7,890	7,998	7,761	7,348	7,795	7,858	7,900	7,894	7,858
Ordnance and accessories	172.0	157.9	157.4	155.9	172	161	161	161	158	156
Lumber and wood products	573.9	600.1	624.1	623.5	557	596	597	600	603	605
Furniture and fixtures	432.7	490.9	494.6	481.5	441	487	492	495	491	491
Stone, clay, and glass products	615.1	628.0	640.7	641.8	604	616	624	626	627	630
Primary metal industries	1,138.3	1,194.5	1,214.9	1,205.8	1,134	1,173	1,181	1,187	1,197	1,201
Fabricated metal products	1,286.2	1,385.1	1,401.0	1,364.1	1,298	1,381	1,389	1,391	1,389	1,376
Machinery, except electrical	2,005.0	2,063.7	2,079.1	2,056.4	2,017	2,049	2,054	2,064	2,063	2,069
Electrical equipment	1,702.0	1,822.3	1,841.7	1,808.0	1,712	1,818	1,828	1,833	1,833	1,819
Transportation equipment	1,623.2	1,755.2	1,762.3	1,676.2	1,645	1,726	1,739	1,748	1,748	1,743
Instruments and related products	481.3	510.6	517.2	510.6	482	505	510	512	514	512
Miscellaneous manufacturing	395.5	425.6	431.5	414.1	403	425	425	429	427	422
NONDURABLE GOODS	7,582	7,838	7,938	7,867	7,619	7,940	7,973	7,918	7,888	7,907
<i>Production workers</i>	5,443	5,681	5,766	5,691	5,492	5,782	5,810	5,756	5,726	5,741
Food and kindred products	1,703.4	1,652.0	1,698.4	1,752.0	1,668	1,695	1,707	1,712	1,707	1,716
Tobacco manufactures	72.0	67.7	67.8	70.6	79	75	75	75	75	77
Textile mill products	884.7	971.9	979.8	967.9	897	964	972	973	967	982
Apparel and other textile products	1,191.4	1,318.8	1,329.6	1,255.9	1,245	1,322	1,317	1,315	1,314	1,312
Paper and allied products	632.9	672.3	680.0	671.3	633	671	674	678	672	671
Printing and publishing	1,065.2	1,076.1	1,075.7	1,067.0	1,068	1,075	1,077	1,079	1,074	1,070
Chemicals and allied products	1,006.8	1,028.0	1,038.0	1,038.9	999	1,030	1,033	1,031	1,029	1,031
Petroleum and coal products	204.6	202.8	205.6	207.3	199	204	204	203	202	202
Rubber and plastics products, nec..	571.0	568.7	580.1	569.0	575	627	634	573	573	573
Leather and leather products	249.8	280.0	283.0	267.0	256	277	280	279	275	273
SERVICE-PRODUCING	54,069	56,082	56,345	55,638	54,457	55,617	55,819	55,800	55,827	56,040
TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC UTILITIES	4,504	4,494	4,541	4,536	4,464	4,498	4,510	4,498	4,487	4,496
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE ..	16,936	17,405	17,544	17,468	16,984	17,386	17,444	17,439	17,452	17,518
WHOLESALE TRADE	4,190	4,228	4,280	4,290	4,161	4,236	4,255	4,262	4,254	4,260
RETAIL TRADE	12,746	13,177	13,264	13,178	12,823	13,150	13,189	13,177	13,198	13,258
FINANCE, INSURANCE, AND REAL ESTATE	4,266	4,278	4,347	4,370	4,203	4,276	4,293	4,278	4,300	4,305
SERVICES	14,144	14,616	14,745	14,734	13,990	14,422	14,498	14,514	14,527	14,574
GOVERNMENT	14,219	15,289	15,168	14,530	14,816	15,035	15,074	15,071	15,061	15,147
FEDERAL	2,800	2,735	2,758	2,773	2,745	2,732	2,730	2,727	2,725	2,719
STATE AND LOCAL	11,419	12,554	12,410	11,757	12,071	12,303	12,344	12,344	12,336	12,428

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

Industry	Not seasonally adjusted				Seasonally adjusted					
	July 1975	May 1976	June 1976 ^P	July 1976 ^P	July 1975	Mar. 1976	Apr. 1976	May 1976	June 1976 ^P	July 1976 ^P
TOTAL PRIVATE	36.4	36.1	36.4	36.6	36.0	36.2	36.1	36.2	36.1	36.2
MINING	42.3	42.5	42.7	42.6	42.1	42.8	42.6	42.5	42.2	42.4
CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION	37.3	37.2	37.9	37.7	36.2	35.9	37.5	37.2	37.1	36.6
MANUFACTURING	39.2	40.2	40.4	39.9	39.4	40.2	39.4	40.2	40.2	40.1
<i>Overtime hours</i>	2.5	3.1	3.2	3.0	2.6	3.2	2.5	3.2	3.1	3.1
DURABLE GOODS	39.5	40.9	41.0	40.3	39.8	40.6	39.7	40.9	40.7	40.6
<i>Overtime hours</i>	2.4	3.3	3.3	3.1	2.5	3.1	2.5	3.3	3.2	3.2
Ordnance and accessories	39.7	40.7	41.2	40.7	40.1	40.8	39.6	40.8	41.1	41.1
Lumber and wood products	39.0	40.4	40.7	39.3	39.1	39.9	40.0	40.1	39.9	39.4
Furniture and fixtures	37.5	38.6	38.9	38.5	37.8	39.0	38.4	38.9	38.5	38.8
Stone, clay, and glass products	40.8	41.5	41.7	41.5	40.6	40.7	41.0	41.3	41.2	41.3
Primary metal industries	39.5	40.9	41.4	41.2	39.7	40.5	40.4	40.9	41.2	41.4
Fabricated metal products	39.3	41.0	41.2	40.4	39.5	40.9	39.6	40.9	40.8	40.6
Machinery, except electrical	39.9	41.0	41.2	40.8	40.5	41.0	40.2	41.1	41.1	41.4
Electrical equipment	38.9	40.2	40.2	39.4	39.5	40.1	39.2	40.2	40.0	40.0
Transportation equipment	40.7	42.5	42.6	41.1	40.7	42.1	40.6	42.2	42.2	41.1
Instruments and related products	39.2	40.7	40.6	40.4	39.7	40.5	39.6	40.8	40.6	40.9
Miscellaneous manufacturing	37.8	38.7	38.7	38.2	38.1	38.8	38.0	38.7	38.6	38.5
NONDURABLE GOODS	38.9	39.4	39.5	39.3	38.8	39.5	38.7	39.5	39.3	39.2
<i>Overtime hours</i>	2.8	3.0	3.0	3.0	2.8	3.2	2.6	3.1	2.9	3.0
Food and kindred products	40.5	40.0	40.4	40.6	40.1	40.2	40.0	40.2	40.2	40.2
Tobacco manufactures	34.7	38.1	38.4	34.1	35.4	39.3	39.0	38.4	38.6	34.8
Textile mill products	39.4	40.5	40.7	40.2	39.6	40.7	39.0	40.7	40.3	40.4
Apparel and other textile products ..	35.3	35.8	36.0	35.5	35.2	36.2	34.9	35.9	36.0	35.4
Paper and allied products	41.6	42.5	42.7	42.3	41.6	42.5	41.8	42.8	42.6	42.3
Printing and publishing	36.7	37.5	37.5	37.6	36.7	37.4	37.1	37.5	37.4	37.6
Chemicals and allied products	40.8	41.6	41.5	41.5	40.9	41.5	41.5	41.6	41.3	41.6
Petroleum and coal products	41.8	42.2	42.4	42.6	41.3	42.4	42.2	42.2	42.1	42.1
Rubber and plastics products, nec ..	39.6	40.5	40.6	40.1	40.0	41.0	39.4	40.7	40.4	40.5
Leather and leather products	38.2	38.4	37.9	37.5	37.8	38.6	37.5	38.1	37.2	37.1
TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC UTILITIES	39.9	39.5	39.7	40.1	39.4	39.9	40.0	39.6	39.5	39.6
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	34.5	33.5	33.9	34.5	33.6	33.7	33.9	33.8	33.6	33.6
WHOLESALE TRADE	38.7	38.8	38.9	39.0	38.5	38.7	38.9	38.9	38.7	38.8
RETAIL TRADE	33.3	31.9	32.4	33.1	32.2	32.2	32.5	32.3	32.0	32.0
FINANCE, INSURANCE, AND REAL ESTATE	36.4	36.7	36.5	36.7	36.3	36.5	36.6	36.8	36.5	36.6
SERVICES	34.3	33.4	33.6	34.0	33.7	33.5	33.5	33.7	33.4	33.4

¹ Data relate to production workers in mining and manufacturing; to construction workers in contract construction; and to nonsupervisory workers in transportation and public utilities; wholesale and retail trade; finance, insurance, and real estate; and services. These groups account for approximately four-fifths of the total employment on private nonagricultural payrolls.
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Table B-3. Average hourly and weekly earnings of production or nonsupervisory workers¹ on private nonagricultural payrolls, by industry

Industry	Average hourly earnings				Average weekly earnings			
	July 1975	May 1976	June 1976 ^P	July 1976 ^P	July 1975	May 1976	June 1976 ^P	July 1976 ^P
TOTAL PRIVATE	\$4.53	\$4.82	\$4.84	\$4.85	\$164.89	\$174.00	\$176.18	\$177.51
<i>Seasonally adjusted</i>	4.54	4.83	4.84	4.86	163.44	174.85	174.72	175.93
MINING	5.88	6.35	6.32	6.36	248.72	269.88	269.86	270.94
CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION	7.24	7.61	7.61	7.67	270.05	283.09	288.42	289.16
MANUFACTURING	4.81	5.12	5.15	5.17	188.55	205.82	208.06	206.28
DURABLE GOODS	5.13	5.49	5.52	5.52	202.64	224.54	226.32	222.46
Ordnance and accessories	5.22	5.64	5.63	5.67	207.23	229.55	231.96	230.77
Lumber and wood products	4.31	4.61	4.75	4.71	168.09	186.24	193.33	185.10
Furniture and fixtures	3.74	3.93	3.95	3.95	140.25	151.70	153.66	152.08
Stone, clay, and glass products	4.93	5.26	5.29	5.34	201.14	218.29	220.59	221.61
Primary metal industries	6.11	6.73	6.77	6.77	241.35	275.26	280.28	278.92
Fabricated metal products	5.04	5.40	5.43	5.40	198.07	221.40	223.72	218.16
Machinery, except electrical	5.33	5.69	5.71	5.74	212.67	233.29	235.25	234.19
Electrical equipment	4.61	4.82	4.83	4.88	179.33	193.76	194.17	192.27
Transportation equipment	6.00	6.48	6.52	6.47	244.20	275.40	277.75	265.92
Instruments and related products	4.56	4.81	4.82	4.87	178.75	195.77	195.69	196.75
Miscellaneous manufacturing	3.79	3.99	3.99	3.99	143.26	154.41	154.41	152.42
NONDURABLE GOODS	4.36	4.59	4.62	4.68	169.60	180.85	182.49	183.92
Food and kindred products	4.55	4.90	4.93	4.96	184.28	196.00	199.17	201.38
Tobacco manufactures	4.62	5.13	5.23	5.07	160.31	195.45	200.83	172.89
Textile mill products	3.34	3.57	3.59	3.69	131.60	144.59	146.11	148.34
Apparel and other textile products	3.16	3.38	3.40	3.36	111.55	121.00	122.40	119.28
Paper and allied products	5.05	5.31	5.38	5.48	210.08	225.68	229.73	231.80
Printing and publishing	5.41	5.66	5.65	5.67	198.55	212.25	211.88	213.19
Chemicals and allied products	5.42	5.79	5.83	5.91	221.14	240.86	241.95	245.27
Petroleum and coal products	6.51	7.11	7.12	7.15	272.12	300.04	301.89	304.59
Rubber and plastics products, nec	4.42	4.36	4.37	4.40	175.03	176.58	177.42	176.44
Leather and leather products	3.22	3.42	3.43	3.41	123.00	131.33	130.00	127.88
TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC UTILITIES	5.89	6.39	6.44	6.44	235.01	252.41	255.67	258.24
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	3.73	3.95	3.95	3.99	128.69	132.33	133.91	137.66
WHOLESALE TRADE	4.88	5.15	5.14	5.16	188.86	199.82	199.95	201.24
RETAIL TRADE	3.33	3.52	3.53	3.58	110.89	112.29	114.37	118.50
FINANCE, INSURANCE, AND REAL ESTATE	4.13	4.36	4.34	4.40	150.33	160.01	158.41	161.48
SERVICES	4.03	4.34	4.32	4.31	138.23	144.96	145.15	146.54

¹ See footnote 1, table B-2.
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Table B-4. Hourly earnings index for production or nonsupervisory workers¹ on private nonagricultural payrolls, by industry division, seasonally adjusted

[1967=100]

Industry	July 1975	Feb. 1976	Mar. 1976	Apr. 1976	May 1976	June P 1976	July P 1976	Percent change from	
								July 1975- July 1976	June 1976- July 1976
TOTAL PRIVATE NONFARM:									
Current dollars	173.1	180.8	181.4	182.2	183.7	184.5	185.6	7.3	0.6
Constant (1967) dollars	106.7	108.1	108.2	108.3	108.5	108.5	N.A.	(2)	(3)
MINING	184.0	193.6	194.8	195.9	197.6	197.8	198.4	7.8	.3
CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION	177.4	180.1	183.4	183.2	185.1	186.3	187.6	5.7	.7
MANUFACTURING	172.2	179.8	180.7	181.8	182.4	183.5	184.7	7.3	.7
TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC UTILITIES	182.0	194.1	194.8	195.5	198.5	200.0	199.2	9.5	-.4
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	168.3	174.4	174.9	175.7	177.3	177.3	179.8	6.8	1.4
FINANCE, INSURANCE, AND REAL ESTATE	161.5	168.3	168.3	169.0	170.4	170.2	172.2	6.6	1.2
SERVICES	175.8	185.4	185.2	186.5	188.2	188.7	188.6	7.3	-.1

¹ See footnote 1, table B-2.

² Percent change was 1.1 from June 1975 to June 1976, the latest month available.

³ Percent change was -0.1 from May 1976 to June 1976, the latest month available.

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 workers¹ on private nonagricultural payrolls, by industry, seasonally adjusted

[1967 = 100]

Industry division and group	1975						1976						
	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June ^P	July ^P
TOTAL	106.2	107.4	107.9	108.4	108.8	109.3	110.3	110.5	110.2	110.7	111.2	110.5	110.5
GOODS-PRODUCING	89.3	91.2	92.4	92.7	92.9	94.3	95.5	95.2	94.8	94.5	96.0	95.4	95.0
MINING	118.8	118.6	119.9	125.0	124.7	125.7	125.2	124.4	124.8	124.9	124.4	125.0	127.5
CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION	96.2	98.3	98.6	97.3	97.7	98.8	100.3	98.8	93.4	98.8	97.8	96.7	95.9
MANUFACTURING	87.1	89.0	90.3	90.8	90.9	92.5	93.7	93.6	94.0	92.7	94.7	94.2	93.8
DURABLE GOODS	84.9	86.7	87.7	87.8	88.1	90.0	91.3	91.3	92.0	91.0	93.6	93.4	92.7
Ordnance and accessories	44.7	43.7	43.0	42.9	40.8	41.5	41.6	40.9	41.0	40.3	41.0	40.7	40.2
Lumber and wood products	86.7	88.8	90.1	92.1	90.8	93.4	97.0	96.4	95.2	95.8	96.4	96.2	95.3
Furniture and fixtures	88.7	92.6	97.4	97.9	99.2	101.0	101.5	103.1	102.8	102.5	104.8	102.5	103.0
Stone, clay, and glass products	93.1	94.5	95.7	95.7	96.2	97.1	97.6	96.7	95.7	98.0	99.1	99.1	99.9
Primary metal industries	80.0	81.7	83.5	81.9	82.3	83.6	84.1	84.9	85.3	85.8	87.4	88.9	89.9
Fabricated metal products	86.7	90.9	92.0	92.8	92.7	94.6	95.7	96.6	97.3	95.0	98.3	97.8	96.0
Machinery, except electrical	90.4	91.0	91.8	91.9	92.0	92.5	93.4	93.2	93.3	91.6	94.3	94.0	94.3
Electrical equipment and supplies	81.6	84.3	84.9	85.8	85.5	87.5	89.0	89.2	90.3	89.2	91.9	91.5	90.3
Transportation equipment	82.0	82.9	82.2	81.5	83.1	87.3	89.0	88.2	90.8	88.5	92.3	92.3	89.3
Instruments and related products	98.1	97.2	99.4	100.8	101.7	103.4	105.0	105.2	106.3	105.7	109.9	109.4	110.9
Miscellaneous manufacturing, Ind.	87.7	89.0	91.4	91.3	90.8	91.7	94.4	94.3	95.1	92.9	95.7	94.9	92.9
NONDURABLE GOODS	90.2	92.4	94.1	95.1	95.0	96.2	97.1	96.9	96.9	95.3	96.2	95.4	95.3
Food and kindred products	93.4	96.1	96.9	96.5	95.1	95.4	96.9	97.3	95.5	95.9	96.7	96.3	96.9
Tobacco manufactures	80.8	85.8	88.1	85.6	93.4	87.4	90.6	88.8	85.6	84.9	83.6	82.7	79.4
Textile mill products	88.5	93.0	96.4	98.1	98.0	99.1	99.7	99.0	98.6	95.2	99.5	97.7	99.6
Apparel and other textile products	84.6	85.3	87.8	90.0	90.1	92.1	93.1	91.8	92.6	88.9	91.2	91.4	89.6
Paper and allied products	87.6	89.6	91.3	92.0	92.6	94.7	95.2	95.8	95.9	95.0	97.9	96.5	95.4
Printing and publishing	90.9	92.4	91.9	91.8	92.4	93.5	93.4	92.5	92.7	92.1	93.4	92.5	92.7
Chemicals and allied products	93.0	94.5	96.1	97.4	97.6	98.1	98.5	99.4	99.1	99.5	99.5	98.5	99.2
Petroleum and coal products	107.2	107.3	108.9	110.2	111.6	111.1	113.8	114.4	114.4	114.8	113.9	112.8	111.9
Rubber and plastics products, nec	106.9	110.6	113.0	114.7	113.5	116.2	118.8	119.3	121.8	118.5	107.8	106.8	107.0
Leather and leather products	71.4	72.1	74.9	77.2	77.2	78.1	79.3	78.9	79.9	78.3	79.2	76.4	75.5
SERVICE-PRODUCING	118.0	118.7	118.7	119.3	119.8	119.7	120.6	121.0	120.9	121.9	121.7	120.9	121.3
TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC UTILITIES	100.3	100.5	101.1	101.2	101.5	101.7	101.5	102.7	102.5	102.9	101.4	101.0	101.4
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	114.0	114.6	114.6	115.1	115.2	115.5	116.8	116.8	116.8	118.2	117.7	116.8	117.3
WHOLESALE TRADE	110.8	111.0	111.3	112.0	111.5	112.3	113.4	113.6	113.2	114.3	114.5	113.7	114.2
RETAIL TRADE	115.2	115.9	115.8	116.2	116.6	116.6	118.1	118.0	118.1	119.7	118.9	117.9	118.5
FINANCE, INSURANCE, AND REAL ESTATE	122.3	122.9	123.5	123.7	125.1	124.5	125.1	125.8	125.5	126.1	126.2	126.0	126.5
SERVICES	130.4	131.4	131.1	132.0	133.1	132.3	133.3	133.9	133.7	134.3	135.3	134.2	134.3

¹ See footnote 1, table B-2.

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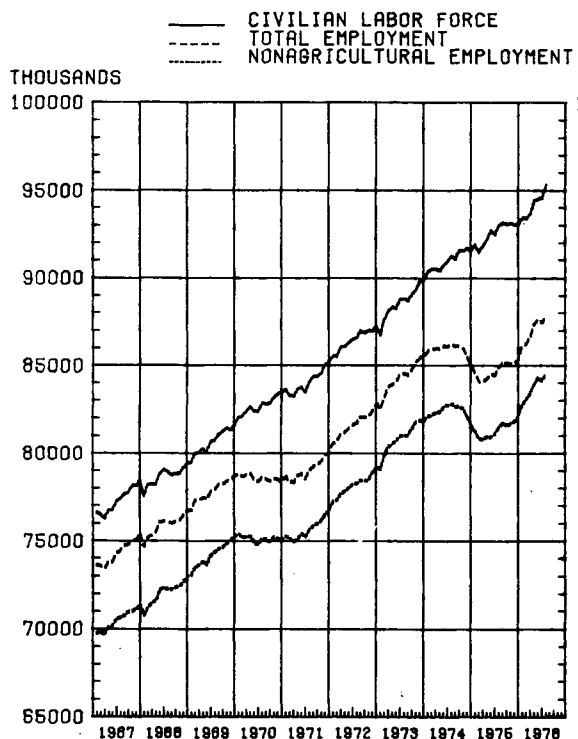
Table B-6. Indexes of diffusion: Percent of industries in which employment¹ increased

Year and month	Over 1-month span	Over 3-month span	Over 6-month span	Over 12-month span
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	17.4
April	40.4	35.8	27.9	20.9
May	53.8	40.4	40.1	25.9
June	40.4	48.5	60.8	40.4
July	55.2	55.8	67.4	50.3
August	73.5	80.2	67.4	62.5
September	81.7	81.4	76.5	71.2
October	64.8	70.3	79.4	75.9
November	54.7	68.9	82.0	79.1
December	66.6	72.7	75.6	80.5p
1976				
January	75.0	78.8	80.2	79.9p
February	70.1	81.7	77.9	
March	70.9	78.8	74.1p	
April	75.3	77.3	70.3p	
May	66.3	65.7p		
June	42.4p	55.5p		
July	58.7p			
August				
September				
October				
November				
December				

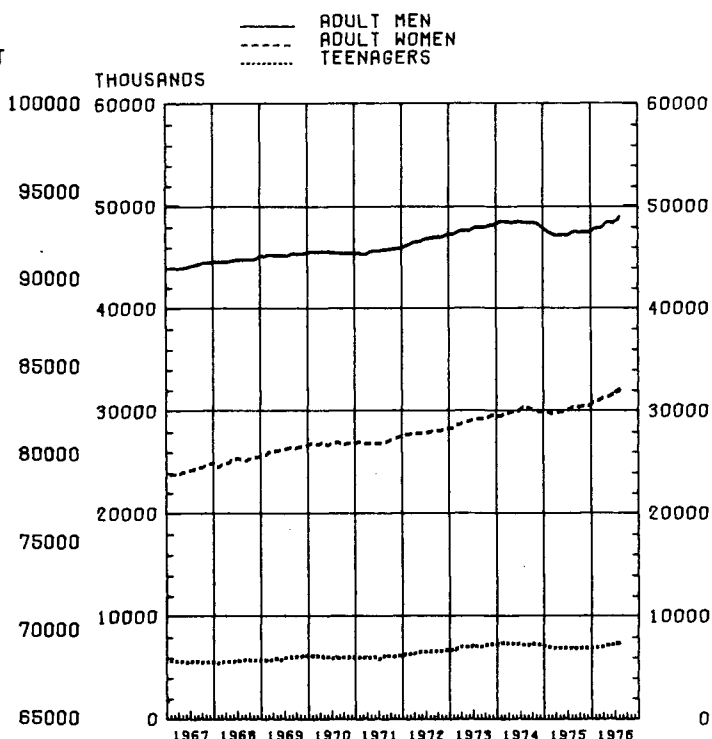
¹ Number of employees, seasonally adjusted, on payrolls of 172 private nonagricultural industries.
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LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT, UNEMPLOYMENT HOUSEHOLD DATA - SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

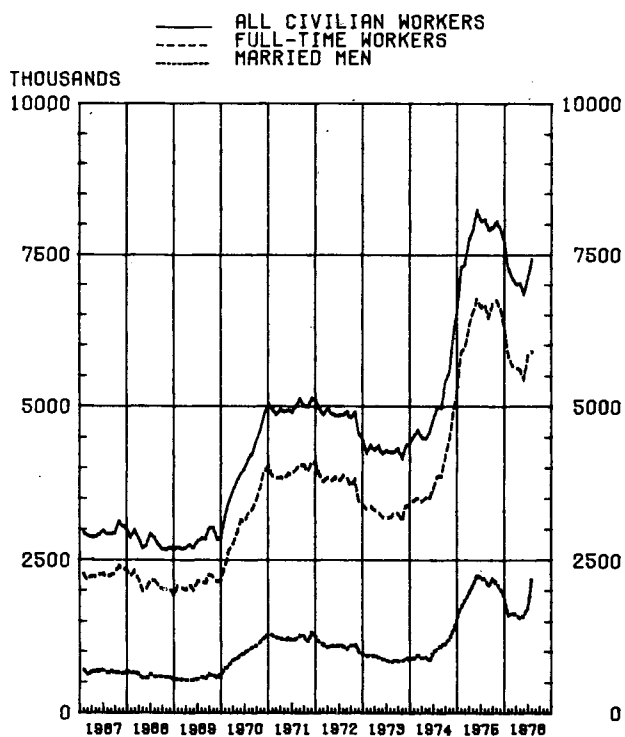
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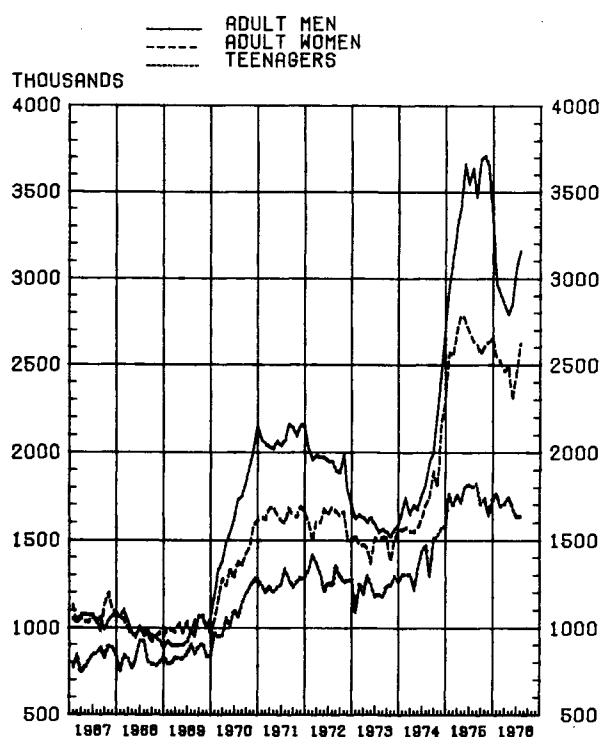
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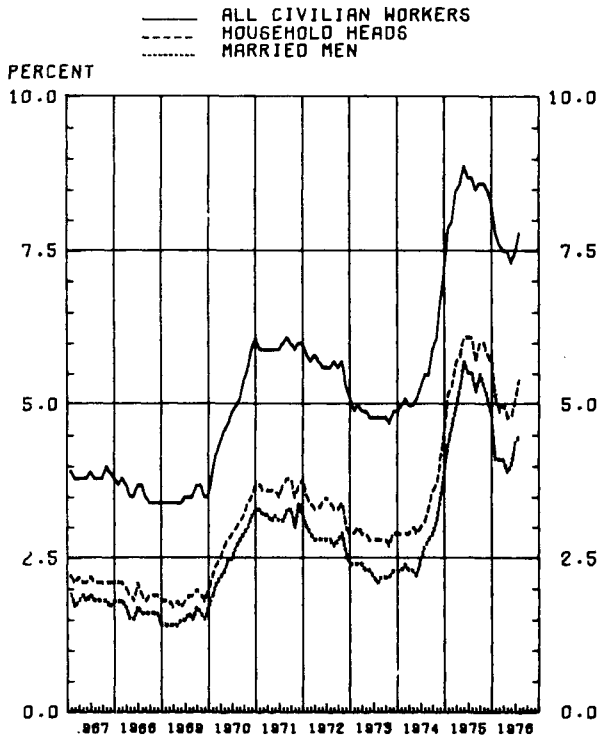


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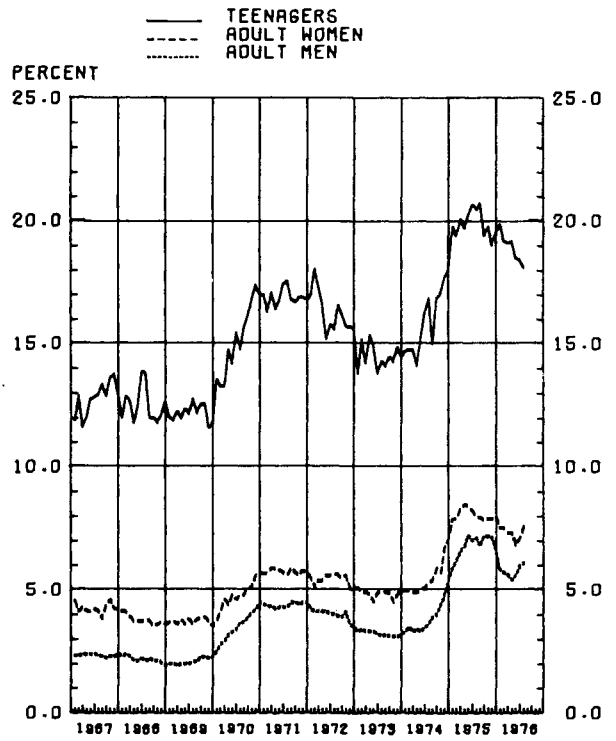


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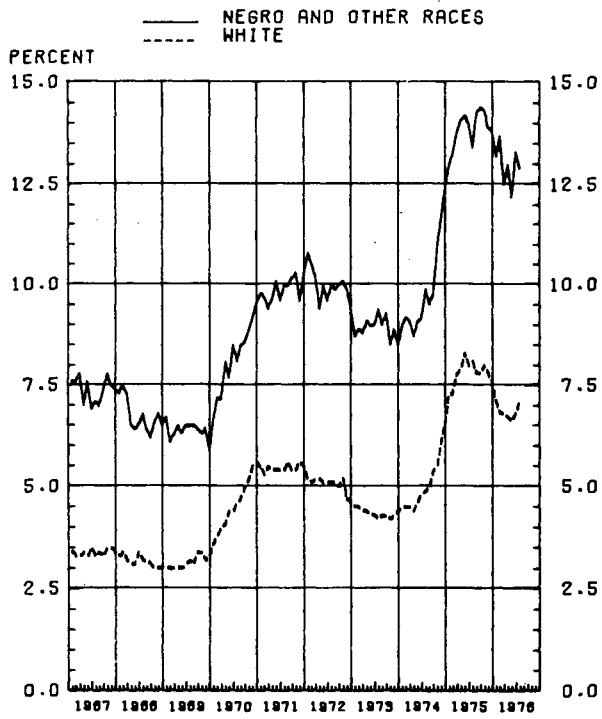
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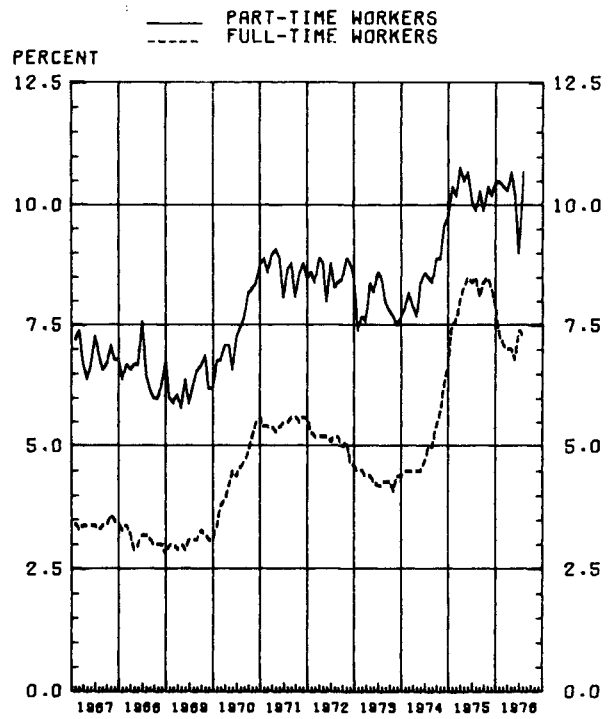
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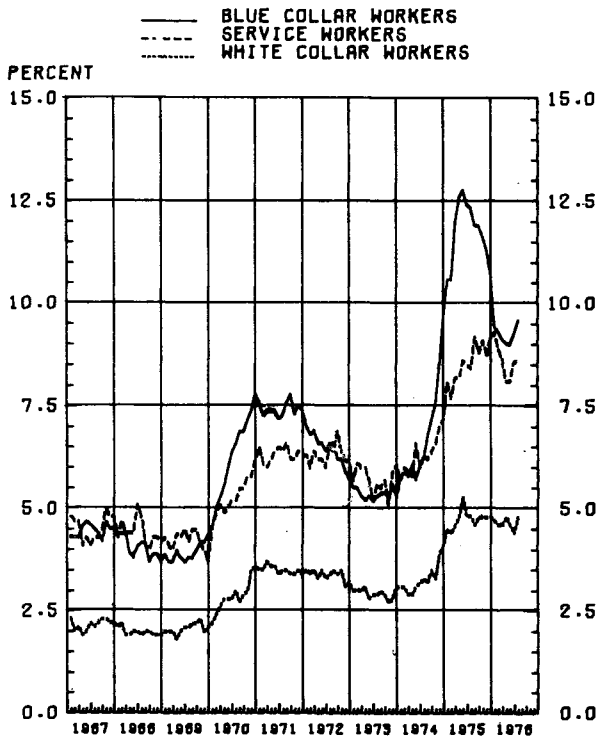


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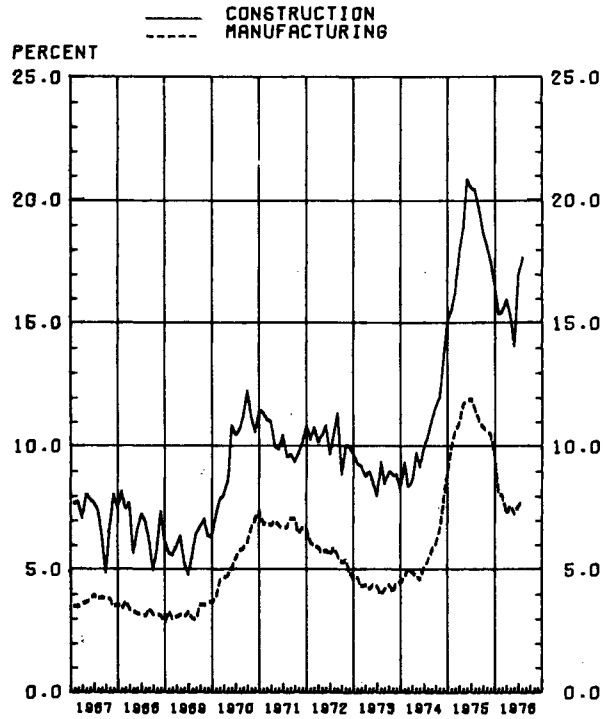


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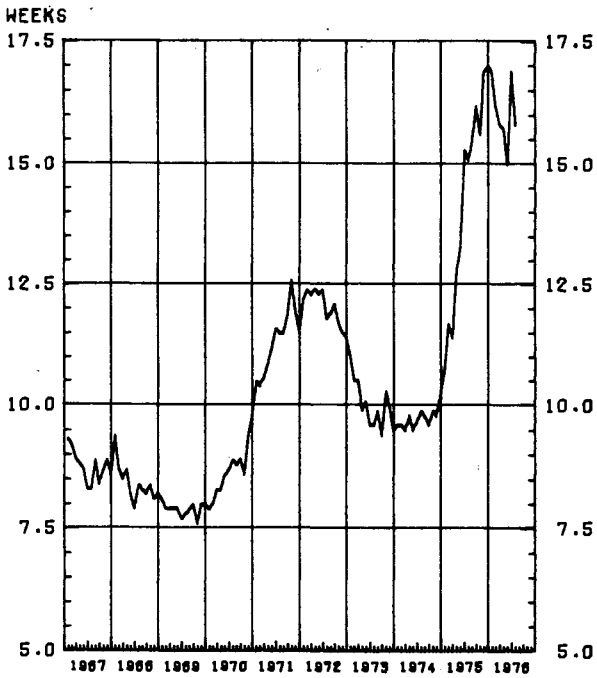
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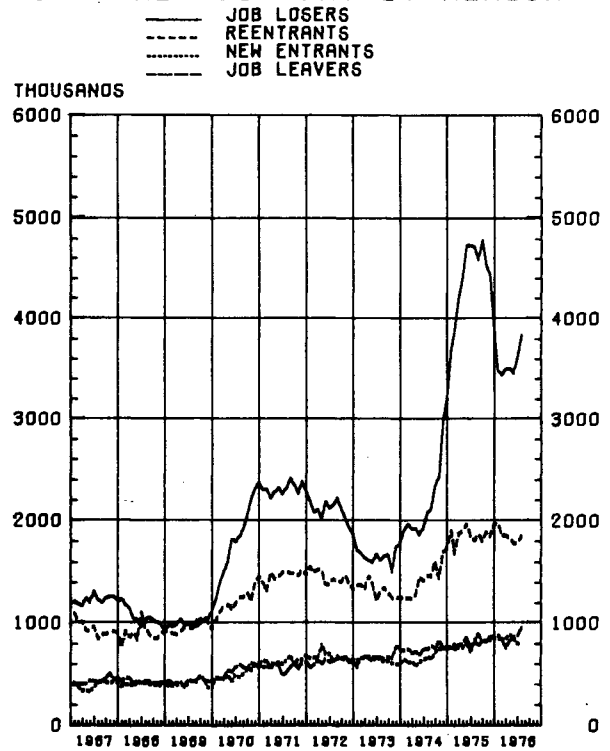
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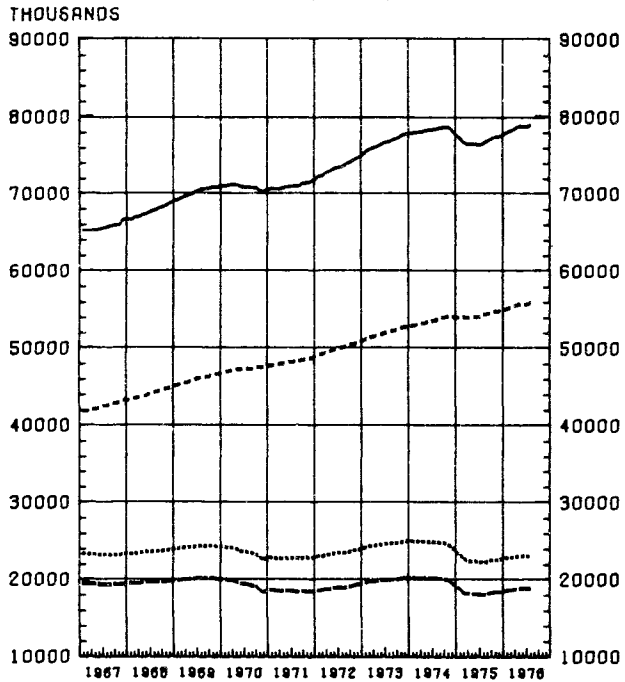
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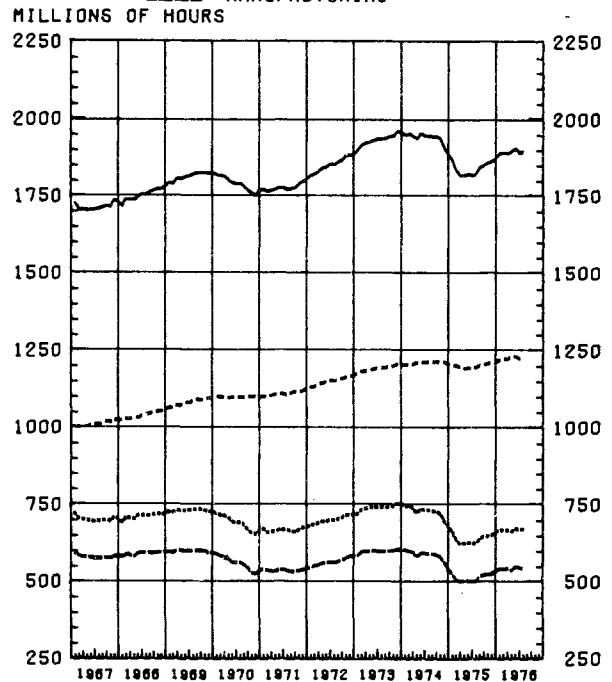
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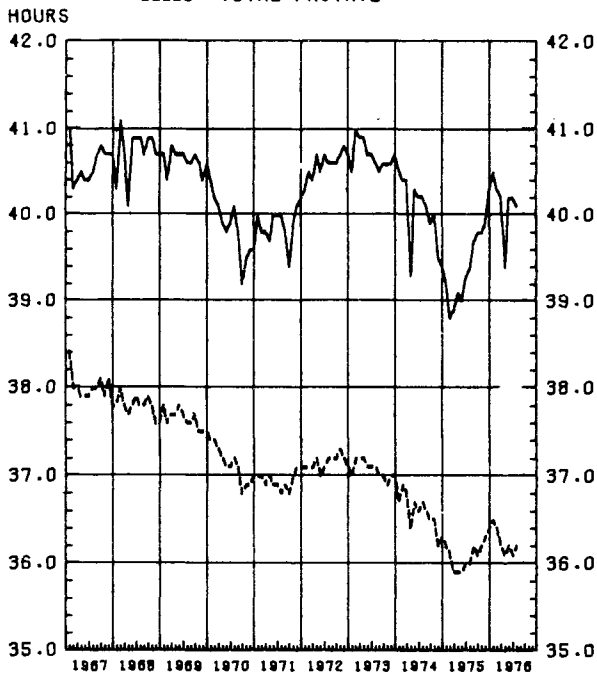
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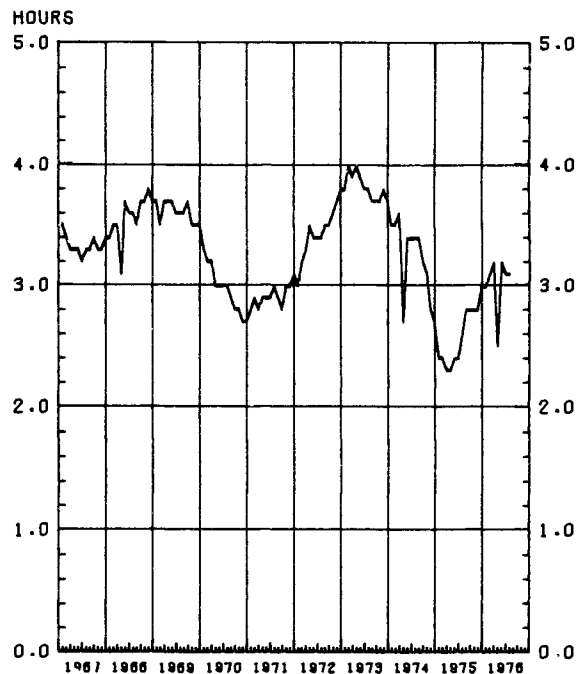


15. AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS

— 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.