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## the employment situation: march 1981

Unemployment was unchanged in March, while the two major employment series showed different developments, the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor reported today. The :lation's unemployment rate was 7.3 percent, the same as it had been in February but down from $1980^{\prime} \mathrm{s}$ high of 7.6 percent.

The series on total employment--derived from the monthly survey of households--showed an increase of nearly 500,000 in March to 98.4 million. In contrast, the series on nonfarm payroll employment--derived from the monthly survey of establishments-was unchanged over the month at 91.6 mililion. Since last summer, however, both series have recorded sizeable fncreases in employment.

## Unemployment

The Nation's unemployment rate was 7.3 percent in March, and the number of unemployed workers was 7.8 million. Both measures have been about unchanged since December (after adjustment for seasonality). Unemployment rates for most major worker groups have also been relatively stable for the past several months. March rates were 7.1 percent for full-tlme workers, 5.9 percent for adult men, 6.6 percent for adult women, 19.1 percent for teenagers, 6.5 percent for whites, and 13.7 percent for black and other workers. (See tables $A-1$ and $A-2$.)

The number of persons on layoff, plus those permanently separated from their fobs (job losers), at 3.8 milition in March, was little changed from the previous 2 months. The number of job losers was down more than half a million since last summer but was still more than 800,000 higher than in March 1980. (See table A-7.)

There was little change in the average duration of unemployment in March. Since December, however, there has been a siight decrease in the number of persons unemployed for 15 weeks or longer. (See table A-6.)

## Total Enployment and the Labor Force

Both total employment and the civilian labor force increased by about half a million, advancing to 98.4 million and 106.2 million, respectively. Adult men accounted for over 70 percent of the over-the-month change in both of these serles. (See table A-1.)

Table A. Major indicators of labor market activity, seasonally adjusted


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Since July, total employment has increased by about 1.4 million. The number of employed adult men and women each rose by about 800,000 . The number of employed teenagers dropped by 200,000 over this period, reflecting, in part, a decline in their population.

The civilian labor force increased by 2.1 million over the past year. Adult women, whose labor force participation rate reached an all-time high of 52.1 percent in March, accounted for about two-thirds of this growth.

## Discouraged Workers

The number of discouraged workers in the first quarter of 1981 was 1.1 million, slightly above the level of the previous quarter and $165,000 \mathrm{higher}$ than a year earlier. (Discouraged workers are persons who report that they want to work but are not looking for fobs because they belleve they cannot find any.) Women accounted for most of the over-the-year increase. Almost 80 percent of discouraged workers cited fob-market factors as the reason for their discouragement; the remainder cited personal reasons. (See table A-11.)

## Industry Payroll Enployment

The number of employees on nonagricultural payrolls was unchanged in March at 91.6 million. The total number of payroll jobs had advanced by 1.8 million from July through February, recouping employment losses which occurred in early 1980; however, not all industry divisions have fully recovered from the 1980 recession effects. (See table B-1.)

Manufacturing employment remained at 20.4 million in March. Although the number of factory jobs has risen substantially since July, employment in the industry was still three-quarters of a million below its June 1979 pre-recession high.

Employment in construction and mining was unchanged over the month at 4.5 and 1.1 million, respectively. The number of construction jobs was still about 230,000 below the January 1980 peak. By contrast, employment in mining, which had increased fairly steadily during 1980, was about 85,000 above the year-earlier level.

In the service-producing sector, oniy State and local government--down by 55,000--showed any substantial movement over the month. This was about offset by small gains in trade and services. Employment in the service-producing sector rose steadily over the past year and was about 1 million above its March 1980 level, but only trade, services, and finance, insurance, and real estate contributed to the growth.

## Hours of Work

Pollowing a decline of 0.2 hour in February, the average workweek of production or nonaupervisory workers on private nonfarm payrolls edged up 0.1 hour in March to 35.4 hours. The manufacturing workweek was also up a tenth of hour, following a large deciine in February. At 40.0 hours, the factory workweek was at about the same level as at the end of 1980. Manufacturing overtime, at 2.9 hours, was unchanged over the month. (See table B-2.)

Reflecting the gain in weekiy hours, the index of aggregate weekly hours of production or nonsupervisory workers on private nonfarm payrolls increased 0.2 percent in March to 126.5 (1967-100). The manufacturing index rose 0.4 percent over the month, offsetting some of the February decline; the index was 6.2 percent higher than last July's low but still 3.5 percent below its year-earlier level. (See table B-5.)

## Hourly and Weekly Earnings

Average hourly earnings of production or nonsupervisory workers on private nonagricultural payrolls rose 0.7 percent over the month (seasonally adjusted). Average weekly earnings were up 1.0 percent from February. Before adjustment for seasonality, average hourly earnings increased 4 cents in March to $\$ 7.10$, 59 cents above the year-earlifer level. Average weekly earnings were $\$ 249.92$, up $\$ 2.82$ over the month and $\$ 20.77$ since March 1980. (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 268.5 (1967-100) in March, 0.8 percent higher than in February. The Index was 9.5 percent above March a year ago. In dollars of constant purchasing power, the Index decreased 1.4 percent during the 12 month period ended in February. (See table B-4.)

Chart 1. Civillan labor force and employment (Seasonally adjusted)


Chart 2. Unemployment rate--all civilian workers


Chart 3. CIvilian labor force participation rate and total employment-population ratio (Seosonally adjusted)


## Explanatory Note

This news release presents statistics from two major surveys, the Current Population Survey (household survey) and the Current Employment Statistics Survey (establishment survey). The household survey provides the information on the labor force, total employment, and unemployment that appears in the A tables, marked HOUSEHOLD DATA. It is a sample survey of about 65,000 households that is conducted by the Bureau of the Census with most of the findings analyzed and published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS).

The establishment survey provides the information on the employment, hours, and earnings of workers on nonagricultural payrolls that appears in the B tables, marked ESTABLISHMENT DATA. This informationis collected from payroll records by BLS in cooperation with State agencies. The sample includes approximately 166,000 establishments :employing about 35 million people.

For both surveys, the data for a given month are actually collected for and relate to a particular week. In the household survey, unless otherwise indicated, it is the calendar week that contains the 12th day of the month, which is called the survey week. In the establishment survey, the reference week is the pay period including the 12 th , which may or may not correspond directly to the calendar week.

The data in this release are affected by a number of technical factors, including definitions, survey differences, seasonal adjustments, and the inevitable variance in results between a survey of a sample and a census of the entire population. Each of these factors is explained below.

## Coverage, definitions and differences between surveys

The sample households in the household survey are selected so as to reflect the entire civilian noninstitutional population 16 years of age and older. Each person in a household is classified as employed, unemployed, or not in the labor force. Those who hold more than one job are classified according to the job at which they worked the most hours.
People are classified as employed if they did any work at all as paid civilians; worked in their own business or profession or on their own farm; or worked 15 hours or more in an enterprise operated by a member of their family, whether they were paid or not. People are also counted as employed if they were on unpaid leave because of illness, bad weather, disputes between labor and management, or personal reasons.

People are classified as unemployed, regardless of their eligibility for unemployment benefits or public assistance, if they meet all of the following criteria: They had no employment during the survey week; they were available for work at that time; and they made specific efforts to find employment sometime during the prior 4 weeks. Also included among the unemployed are persons not looking for work because they were laid off
and waiting to be recalled and those expecting to report to a job within 30 days.

The civilian labor force equals the sum of the number employed and the number unemployed. The unemployment rate is the percentage of unemployed people in the civilian labor force. Table A-4 presents a special grouping of seven measures of unemployment based on varying definitions of unemployment and the labor force. The definitions are provided in the table. The most restrictive definition yields $\mathrm{U}-1$, and the most comprehensive yields U-7. The official unemployment rate is U-5.

Unlike the household survey, the establishment survey only counts wage and salary employees whose names appear on the payroll records of nonagricultural firms. As a result, there are many differences between the two surveys, among which are the following:
.-.-The household survey, although based on a smaller sample, reflects a larger segment of the population; the establishment survey excludes agriculture, the self-employed, unpaid family workers, and private household workers;
.-.--The household survey includes people on unpaid leave among the employed; the establishment survey does not;
----The household survey is limited to those 16 years of age and older; the establishment survey is not limited by age;
----The household survey has no duplication of individuals, because each individual is counted only once; in the establishment survey, employees working at more than one job or otherwise appearing on more than one payroll would be counted separately for each appearance.

Other differences between the two surveys are described in "Comparing Employment Estimates from Household and Payroll Surveys," which may be obtained from the BLS upon request.

## Seasonal adjustment

Over a course of a year, the size of the Nation's labor force and the levels of employment and unemployment undergo sharp fluctuations due to such seasonal events as changes in weather, reduced or expanded production, harvests, major holidays, and the opening and closing of schools. For example, the labor force increases by a large number each June, when schools close and many young people enter the job market. The effect of such seasonal variation can be very large; over the course of a year, for example, seasonality may account for as much as 95 percent of the month-to-month changes in unemployment.

Because these seasonal events follow a more or less regular pattern each year, their influence on statistical trends can be eliminated by adjusting the statistics from month to month. These adjustments make nonseasonal developments, such as declines in economic activity or
increases in the participation of women in the labor force, easier to spot. To return to the school's-out example, the large number of people entering the labor force each June is likely to obscure any other changes that have taken place since May, making it difficult to determine if the level of economic activity has risen or declined. However, because the effect of students finishing school in previous years is known, the statistics for the current year can be adjusted to allow for a comparable change. Insofar as the seasonal adjustment is made correctly, the adjusted figure provides a more useful tool with which to analyze changes in economic activity.

Measures of civilian labor force, employment, and unemployment contain components such as age and sex. Statistics for all employees, production workers, average weekly hours, and average hourly earnings include components based on the employer's industry. All these statistics can be seasonally adjusted either by adjusting the total or by adjusting each of the components and combining them. The second procedure usually yields more accurate information and is therefore followed by BLS. For example, the seasonally adjusted figure for the civilian labor force is the sum of eight seasonally adjusted employment components and four seasonally adjusted unemployment components; the total for unemployment is the sum of the four unemployment components; and the official unemployment rate is derived by dividing the resulting estimate of total unemployment by the estimate of the civilian labor force.

The numerical factors used to make the seasonal adjustments are recalculated regularly. For the household survey, the factors are calculated for the January-June period and again for the July-December period. The January revision is applied to data that have been published over the previous 5 years. For the establishment survey, updated factors for seasonal adjustment are calculated only once a year, along with the introduction of new benchmarks which are discussed at the end of the next section.

## Sampling variability

Statistics based on the household and establishment surveys are subject to sampling error, that is, the estimate of the number of people employed and the other estimates drawn from these surveys probably differ from the figures that would be obtained from a complete census, even if the same questionnaires and procedures were used. In the household survey, the amount of the differences can be expressed in terms of standard errors. The numerical value of a standard error depends upon the size of the sample, the results of the survey, and other factors. However, the numerical value is always such that the chances are 68 out of 100 that an estimate based on the sample will differ by no more than the standard error from the results of a complete census. The chances are 90 out of 100 that an estimate based on the sample will differ by no more than 1.6 times the
standard error from the results of a complete census. At the 90 -percent level of confidence--the confidence limits used by BLS in its analyses--the error for the monthly change in total employment is on the order of plus or minus 279,000; for total unemployment it is 194,000 ; and, for the overall unemployment rate, it is 0.19 percentage point. These figures do not mean that the sample results are off by these magnitudes but, rather, that the chances are 90 out of 100 that the "true" level or rate would not be expected to differ from the estimates by more than these amounts.
Sampling errors for monthly surveys are reduced when the data are cumulated for several months, such as quarterly or annually. Also, as a general rule, the smaller the estimate, the larger the sampling error. Therefore, relatively speaking, the estimate of the size of the labor force is subject to less error than is the estimate of the number unemployed. And, among the unemployed, the sampling error for the jobless rate of adult men, for example, is much smaller than is the error for the jobless rate of teenagers. Specifically, the error on monthly change in the jobless rate for men is .24 percentage point; for teenagers, it is 1.06 percentage points.

In the establishment survey, estimates for the 2 most current months are based on incomplete returns; for this reason, these estimates are labeled preliminary in the tables. When all the returns in the sample have been received, the estimates are revised. In other words, data for the month of September are published in preliminary form in October and November and in final form in December. To remove errors that build up over time, a comprehensive count of the employed is conducted each year. The results of this survey are used to establish new benchmarks-comprehensive counts of employment-against which month-to-month changes can be measured. The new benchmarks also incorporate changes in the classification of industries and allow for the formation of new establishments.

## Additional statistics and other information

In order to provide a broad view of the Nation's employment situation, BLS regularly publishes a wide variety of data in this news release. More comprehensive statistics are contained in Employment and Earnings, published each month by BLS. It is available for $\$ 2.75$ per issue or $\$ 22.00$ per year from the U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20204. A check or money order made out to the Superintendent of Documents must accompany all orders.

Employment and Earnings also provides approximations of the standard errors for the household survey data published in this release. For unemployment and other labor force categories, the standard errors appear in tables A through 1 of its "Explanatory Notes." Measures of the reliability of the data drawn from the establishment survey and the actual amounts of revision due to benchmark adjustments are provided in tables $L$ through $Q$ of that publication.

Table A.1. Employment status of the population by sex and age

| Employment, tratur, wex, and map | Nor memonely adjued |  |  | Semomally edjured |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { MAR. } \\ & 1980 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { FEB. } \\ & 1981 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { MAR } \\ & 1981 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { MAR。 } \\ & 1980 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NOV. } \\ & 1980 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{DEC}, \\ & 1980 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { JAN. } \\ & 1981 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { FEB } \\ & 198 i \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { MAR } \\ & 198 i \end{aligned}$ |
| total |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Toual noninstitutional population ${ }^{\text {a }}$. | 165.506 | 167,747 | 167.902 | 165.506 | 167.201 | 167,396 | 167,585 | 167.747 | 167.902 |
| Armed Forces ' . . . . . | 2.090 | 2.121 | 2.128 | 2.090 | 2.119 | 2.124 | 2.125 | 2,121 | 2,128 |
| Civilian noniinstitutional population ${ }^{1}$ | 163.416 | 165.627 | 165.774 | 163.416 | 165,082 | 165,272 | 165,450 | 165.627 | 165.774 |
| Civilian Isbor forces | 103,351 | 104,803 | 105.405 | 104.171 | 105.285 | 105.067 | 105.543 | 105,691 | 104.177 |
| Participotion rate. | 63.2 | 63.3 | 63.6 | 63.7 | 63.8 | 63.5 | 63.8 | 63.8 | 64.0 |
| Employed | 96,546 | 96,383 | 97.318 | 97.628 | 97.339 | 97.282 | 97.696 | 97.927 | 98.412 |
| Employment-population ratio ${ }^{\mathbf{2}}$ | 58.3 | 57.5 | 58.0 | 29.0 | 58.2 | 58.1 | 58.3 | 58.4 | 58.6 |
| Agriculture. . | 2,962 | 2,773 | 2,905 | 3.337 | 3.340 | 3.394 | 3.403 | 3,281 | 3,276 |
| Nonepricutural industrios | 93.584 | $\bigcirc$ | 74.413 | 94.291 | 93.599 | 93.888 | 94.294 | 94.646 | 95.136 |
| Unemployed. | 6,805 | 8,425 | 8.087 | 6.543 | 7.946 | 7.785 | 7.847 | 7.754 | 7.764 |
| Unemplovment rate. | 6.6 | 8.0 | 7.7 | 6.3 | 7.5 | 7.4 | 7.4 | 7.3 | 7.3 |
| Not in isbor force | 60.065 | 60.819 | 60.368 | 59.245 | 59.797 | t0. 205 | 59.917 | 5¢, 546 | 55.598 |
| Men, 16 yemen end ovor |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Totad noninatitutional population ${ }^{2}$. | 79.295 | 80,346 | 80,415 | 79.295 | 80.091 | 80.183 | 80.272 | 80.346 | 80.415 |
| Armed Forces' . | 1.934 | 1.950 | 1,954 | 1.534 | 1,954 | 1.959 | 1,954 | 1.950 | 1.954 |
| Civilien nonintitutiond population ${ }^{1}$ | 77.361 | 78,396 | 78,461 | 77.361 | 78.137 | 78.224 | 78.318 | 78,394 | 78.461 |
| Civilison labor fores. | 59.383 | 59.726 | 60,101 | 59.989 | 60.388 | 60,254 | 60,366 | 60.338 | 60.628 |
| Perticipation ratu. | 76.8 | 76.2 | 76.6 | 77.5 | 77.3 | 77.0 | 77.1 | 77.0 | 77.3 |
| Employed. | 55,484 | 54.764 | 55.379 | 56.489 | 55.897 | 55.920 | 56.012 | 56,045 | 56.383 |
| Employment-population ratio ${ }^{2}$ | 70.0 | 68.2 | 68.9 | 71.2 | 69.8 | 69.7 | 69.8 | 6 c .8 | 70.1 |
| Unemployed. | 3.898 | 4.962 | 4.722 | 3.500 | 4.4¢1 | 4. 334 | 4.353 | 4.293 | $4 \cdot 275$ |
| Unemployment rate. | 6.6 | 8.3 | 7.9 | 2.8 | 7.4 | 7.2 | 7.? | 7.1 | 7.0 |
| Man, 20 yewrs and owr |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total noninstiutional population ${ }^{1}$ | 70.896 | 72,070 | 72.155 | 70,896 | 71.768 | 71.875 | 71.983 | 72.070 | 72.155 |
| Armod forces'. | 1,657 | 1.657 | 1.673 | 1.657 | 1.673 | 1,677 | 1,660 | 1,657 | 1.673 |
| Civition noninstitutional population ${ }^{1}$ | 69.238 | 70.413 | 70,481 | 69.238 | 70.095 | 70.198 | 70,323 | 70.413 | 70.491 |
| Civilimen Iabor force | 54,766 | 55.343 | 55,692 | 54,966 | 55.539 | 55.470 | 55,443 | 55,445 | 55.816 |
| Parricipation rate. | 79.1 | 78.6 | 79.0 | 79.4 | 79.2 | 79.0 | 78.8 | 78.7 | 79.2 |
| Employed . . . . . . . . . . . . . ${ }^{2}$ | 51,624 | 51,392 | 51.898 | 52,230 | 52.007 | 52.045 | 52,091 | 52,134 | 52.511 |
| Employment-population ratio ${ }^{2}$ | 72.8 | 71.3 | 71.9 | 73.7 | 72.5 | 72.4 | 72.4 | 72.3 | 72.8 |
| Agriculcure. | 2,217 | 2.097 | 2.135 | 2,386 | 2.372 | 2,331 | 2.378 | 2.289 | 2,296 |
| Norsepreatuard industries. | 49,407 | 49.296 | 49.763 | 49.844 | 49,635 | 49,714 | 49,713 | 49.844 | 50.215 |
| Unemotorea. . | 3, 141 | 3,951 | 3.794 | 2.736 | 3.532 | 3,425 | 3,352 | 3,312 | 3.305 |
| Unemplorment rate. | 5.7 | 7.1 | 6.8 | 5.0 | 6.4 | 6.2 | 6.0 | 8.0 | 5.9 |
| Wormen, 16 yours and ower |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Totel noninstixutional population ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 86.211 | 87.402 | 87.487 | 86.211 | 87.110 | 87,213 | 87.313 | 87.402 | 87.487 |
| Armod Forces ${ }^{\text {1 }}$. . . . . . | 157 | 170 | 174 | 157 | 165 | 165 | 171 | 170 | 174 |
| Civilisn noninstitutionel population ${ }^{1}$ | 86.054 | 87.231 | 87.313 | 86.054 | 86,945 | 87,048 | 87,142 | 87.231 | 97. 313 |
| Civilion Iabor force . | 43,568 | 45,082 | 45.304 | 44.182 | 44.897 | 44.813 | 45.178 | 45,343 | 45.549 |
| Pavticipation rate. | 51.1 | 51.7 | 51.9 | 51.3 | 51.6 | 51.5 | 51.8 | 52.0 | 52.2 |
| Emploved | 41,062 | 41.619 | 41,940 | 41,139 | 41,442 | 41.362 | 41.684 | 41.882 | 42.020 |
| Employment-population ratio ${ }^{2}$ | 47.6 | 47.6 | 47.9 | 47.7 | 47.6 | 47.4 | 47.7 | 47.9 | 48.0 |
| Unemployed. . . . | 2,906 | 3,463 | 3.365 | 3.043 | 3.455 | 3.451 | 3.493 | 3.461 | 3.519 |
| Unemployment rato. | 6.6 | 7.7 | 7.4 | 6.9 | 7.7 | 7.7 | 7.7 | 7.6 | 7.7 |
| Women, 20 yers and owr |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total noninstiustional population ${ }^{2}$. | 78,005 | 79.315 | 79.415 | 78,005 | 78.979 | 79,097 | 75.212 | 79.315 | 7e.415 |
| Afmed Forcess ${ }^{1}$. | 129 | 140 | 145 | 129 | 137 | 137 | 141 | 140 | 145 |
| Civilian noninstitutional population ${ }^{1}$ | 77.876 | 79.175 | 79.271 | 77.876 | 78.842 | 78,959 | 79,071 | 75.175 | 79,271 |
| Civiliem Iabor force | 39.989 | 41,199 | 41,411 | 39,845 | 40.629 | 40.570 | 40.942 | 41.090 | 41.293 |
| Posticipation rate. | 51.4 | 52.0 | 52.2 | 51.2 | 51.5 | 51.4 | 51.8 | 51.9 | 52.1 |
| Employed ....... | 37.755 | 38,444 | 38.762 | 37.550 | 37,907 | 37.820 | 38.191 | 39.410 | 38.567 |
| Emplovment-population ratio ${ }^{2}$ | 48.4 | 48.5 | 48.8 | 48.1 | 48.0 | 47.8 | 48.2 | 48.4 | 48.6 |
| Agriculture. | 471 | 461 | 497 | 577 | 574 | $6 \in 5$ | 621 | 615 | 606 |
| Nonsericultural industries. | 37.283 | 37.983 | 38.265 | 36.973 | 37,335 | 37,155 | 37.570 | 37.794 | 37.961 |
| Unemployed. | 2. 235 | 2.755 | 2.649 | 2. 295 | 2.720 | 2.750 | 2.750 | 2.680 | 2.725 |
| Unemployment rate. | 5.6 | 6.7 | 6.4 | 5.8 | 6.7 | 6.8 | 6.7 | 6.5 | 6.6 |
| Soth moxe, 10-19 yeme |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total noninatitutions propulation ${ }^{1}$ | 16.606 | 16.362 | 16.331 | 16.606 | 16.454 | 16,424 | 16.393 | 16.362 | 16,331 |
| Armed Forces ${ }^{1}$. | 304 | 323 | 310 | 304 | 309 | 310 | 324 | 1323 | 16.310 |
| Civiltan noninstitutionel population ${ }^{2}$ | 16,302 | 16,039 | 16.022 | 16.302 | 16.145 | 16.114 | 16.069 | 16.039 | 18.022 |
| Civilien labor force | 8.596 | 8,265 | 8.303 | 9.360 | 9.117 | 9.027 | 9.158 | 9.146 | 9.068 |
| Participation rasa | 52.7 | 51.5 | 51.8 | 57.4 | 56.5 | 56.0 | 57.0 | 57.0 | 56.6 |
| Employed | 7.167 | 6,546 | 6,659 | 7.848 | 7,423 | 7.417 | 7,414 | 7.394 | 7.334 |
| Employmant.popultaion ratio ${ }^{2}$ | 43.2 | 40.0 | 40.8 | 47.3 | 45.1 | 45.2 | 45.2 | 45.1 | 44.9 |
| Agriculture. | 274 | 215 | 273 | 374 | 394 | 398 | 404 | 376 | 374 |
| Nonagricultural industries. | 6,893 | 6,331 | 6.385 | 7.474 | 7.029 | 7,019 | 7.010 | 7.008 | 6,960 |
| Unmpmicred. | 1.429 | 1.719 | 1.644 | 1,512 | 1.694 | 1.610 | 1,744 | 1.762 | 1.734 |
| Unemployment rate. | 16.6 | 20.8 | 19.8 | 16.2 | 18.6 | 17.8 | 19.0 | 19.3 | 19.1 |

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Table A-2. Employment status of the population by race, sex, and age

| Employment itatus, reos, max, and age | Not memonally adjustad |  |  | Secsoinaliy adinuted |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { MAR, } \\ & 1980 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { FEB. } \\ & 1981 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { HAR. } \\ & 1981 \end{aligned}$ | MAR. $1980$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NOV. } \\ & 1980 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { DEC. } \\ & 1980 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1 \Delta N . \\ & 1981 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { FER. } \\ & 1981 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { MAR. } \\ & 1981 \end{aligned}$ |
| White |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total noninstitutional population ${ }^{1}$ | 144,730 | 146.403 | 146.515 | 144,730 | 145.995 | 146.140 | 146.284 | 146.403 | 146.515 |
| Armed Forces ${ }^{1}$. | 1,615 | 1,629 | 1.633 | 1.615 | 1.636 | 1,640 | 1.633 | 1,629 | 1.633 |
| Civilian noninstitutional population ${ }^{1}$ | 143.115 | 144,774 | 144.882 | 143,115 | 144.359 | 144,500 | 144.651 | 144,774 | 144.882 |
| Civilian labor force . . . | 91.204 | 92,366 | 92,814 | 91.802 | 92,562 | 92,383 | 92.832 | 93.035 | 93.313 |
| Participation rate. | 63.7 | 63.8 | 64.1 | 64.1 | 64.1 | 63.9 | 64.2 | 64.3 | 64.4 |
| Employed | 85,845 | 85,661 | 86.454 | 86.723 | 86.409 | 86.377 | 86.620 | 86.940 | 87.291 |
| Employment-population ratlo ${ }^{2}$ | 59.3 | 58.5 | 59.0 | 59.9 | 59.2 | 59.1 | 59.2 | 59.4 | 59.6 |
| Unemployed. . . . . . . . . . . . | 5,358 | 6,704 | 6.360 | 5,079 | 6.153 | 6.006 | 6.213 | 6.095 | 6.022 |
| Unemployment rate | 5.9 | 7.3 | 6.9 | 5.5 | 6.6 | 6.5 | 6.7 | 6.6 | 6.5 |
| Man, 20 yeers and over |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Civilian lator force | 48.888 | 49.372 | 49.632 | 49.049 | 49.481 | 49,449 | 49.426 | 40.420 | 49.695 |
| Participation hate. | 75.7 | 79.3 | 79.6 | 75.9 | 79.8 | 79.6 | 79.4 | 79.3 | 79.7 |
| Employed | 46.359 | 46.149 | 46.560 | 46.856 | 46.584 | 46,728 | 46.704 | 46.757 | 47,030 |
| Employment-population ratio ${ }^{2}$ | 74.0 | 72.6 | 73.2 | 74.8 | 73.7 | 73.7 | 73.6 | 73.6 | 73.9 |
| Unemployed. . . . . . . . . . . . . | 2.529 | 3.223 | 3.072 | 2.153 | 2,797 | 2.721 | 2.722 | 2.664 | 2.664 |
| Unomployment rate. | 5.2 | 6.5 | 6.2 | 4.5 | 5.7 | 5.5 | 5.5 | 5.4 | 5.4 |
| Women, 20 years and ovor |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Civilian labor force . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 34,592 | 35,566 | 35.740 | 34.382 | 34.972 | 34.910 | 35.313 | 35.423 | 35.529 |
| Participation rate. | 50.9 | 51.3 | 51.7 | 50.6 | 50.9 | 50.7 | 51.2 | 51.3 | 51.4 |
| Employod. . . . . | 32,900 | 33,488 | 33.774 | 32.673 | 32.944 | 32.858 | 33.180 | 33.421 | 33.539 |
| Employment population ratio ${ }^{2}$ | 48.3 | 48.5 | 48.8 | 48.0 | 47.9 | 47.7 | 48.1 | 48.4 | 48.5 |
| Unemployed. . . . . . | 1.692 | 2,078 | 1.966 | 1.709 | 2.028 | 2.052 | 2.133 | 2.002 | 1.990 |
| Unemployment rate | 4.9 | 5.8 | 5.5 | 5.0 | 5.8 | 5.9 | 6.0 | 5.7 | 5.6 |
| Both mxen, 18-19 years |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Civilian labor force. | 7.723 | 7,428 | 7.442 | 8.371 | 8,109 | 8.024 | 8.093 | 8.191 | 8.089 |
| Participation rate. | 56.1 | 55.1 | 55.3 | to. 9 | 59.7 | 59.2 | 59.9 | 60.7 | 60.1 |
| Employed | 6.587 | 6.024 | 6.120 | 7.194 | 6.781 | 6.761 | 6.735 | 6.762 | 6.721 |
| Employment-population ratio ${ }^{2}$ | 47.1 | 43.9 | 44.7 | 51.5 | 49.1 | 49.2 | 48.9 | 49.2 | 49.1 |
| Unemployed. | 1,137 | 1,404 | 1,322 | 1.177 | 1.328 | 1,233 | 1.358 | 1.420 | 1.368 |
| Unemployment rate | 14.7 | 18.7 | 17.8 | 14.1 | 16.4 | 15.4 | 16.8 | 17.4 | 16.9 |
| Men | 14.7 | 21.0 | 19.5 | 13.5 | 17.7 | 16.4 | 17.9 | 18.2 | 18.0 |
| Women | 14.8 | 16.6 | 15.8 | 14.7 | 14.9 | 14.2 | 15.5 | 16.6 | 15.7 |
| black and other |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total noninstitutional population ${ }^{1}$ | 20.777 | 21.344 | 21.387 | 20.777 | 21.208 | 21.255 | 21.301 | 21.344 | 21.387 |
| Armed Forces ${ }^{1}$. . . . . . . . | 476 | 491 | 495 | 476 | 483 | 484 | 492 | 491 | 495 |
| Civilian noninstitutional population ${ }^{1}$ | 20.301 | 20.853 | 20.892 | 20.301 | 20.723 | 20,771 | 20.809 | 20,853 | 20.892 |
| Civilian lator force ...... | 12,147 | 12.442 | 12,591 | 12.320 | 12,706 | 12,668 | 12.684 | 12,598 | 12.765 |
| Participation rate. | 59.8 | 59.7 | 60.3 | 60.7 | 61.3 | 61.0 | 61.0 | 60.4 | 61.1 |
| Employed | 10.701 | 10.722 | 10.865 | 10.856 | 10,922 | 10.895 | 11.051 | 10.942 | 11.020 |
| Employment-population ratio ${ }^{2}$ | 51.5 | 50.2 | 50.8 | 52.3 | 51.5 | 51.3 | 51.9 | 51.3 | 51.5 |
| Unemoloved. . . . . . . | 1,446 | 1,721 | 1,727 | 1,464 | 1,784 | 1.773 | 1.634 | 1.655 | 1.745 |
| Unamployment rate. | 11.9 | 13.3 | 13.7 | 11.9 | 14.0 | 14.0 | 12.9 | 13.1 | 13.7 |
| Man, 20 Yenrt and over |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Civitian labor force . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 5.877 | 5.971 | 6.063 | 5.898 | 6.042 | 6.015 | 5.996 | 6.007 | 5.072 |
| Pintripationiate. | 74.5 | 73.5 | 74.4 | 74.8 | 74.9 | 74.4 | 73.9 | 73.9 | 74.6 |
| Employed . . . . . . . . . . | 5.265 | 5.243 | 5.338 | 5.340 | 5,315 | 5,315 | 5,367 | 5,355 | 5.414 |
| Employment population retio ${ }^{2}$ | 63.8 | 61.7 | 62.6 | 84.7 | 63.0 | 82.8 | 63.3 | 63.0 | 63.5 |
| Unemployed. | 612 | 728 | 722 | 558 | 727 | 700 | 628 | 651 | 658 |
| Urimployment rite. | 10.4 | 12.? | 11.9 | 9.5 | 12.0 | 11.6 | 10.5 | 10.8 | 10.8 |
| Women, 20 yours and ovor |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Civilian lebor force | 5,357 | 5,633 | 5.671 | 5.424 | 5.652 | 5,654 | 5.638 |  | 5.708 |
| Participation rate. | 54.7 | 55.4 | 55.6 | 55.0 | 56.0 | 55.9 | 55.6 | 55.5 | 56.0 |
| Employed | 4.855 | 4.956 | 4.988 | 4.854 | 4,965 | 4,956 | 5.016 | 4.976 | 4.988 |
| Employment-population ratio ${ }^{2}$ | 49.0 | 48.6 | 48.7 | 49.0 | 49.0 | 48.8 | 49.3 | 48.7 | 48.7 |
| Unemployed. . | 542 | 677 | 683 | 570 | 687 | 698 | 621 | 669 | 720 |
| Unemploymant rate. | 10.0 | 12.0 | 12.0 | 10.5 | 12.2 | 12.3 | 11.0 | 11.9 | 12.6 |
| Sorth mexs, 18-19 yoars |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Civitian iabor force . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 873 | 838 | 861 | 998 | 1.012 | 999 | 1.051 | 946 | 985 |
| Participation rate. | 34.3 | 32.8 | 33.6 | 39.2 | 39.5 | 39.0 | 41.2 | 37.1 | 38.5 |
| Employed | 581 | 522 | 539 | 662 | 642 | 624 | 667 | 611 | 618 |
| Empioyment-population retio ${ }^{2}$ | 22.1 | 19.8 | 20.5 | 25.2 | 24.4 | 23.7 | 25.3 | 23.2 | 23.5 |
| Unemployed. | 292 | 315 | 322 | 330 | 370 | 375 | 384 | 335 | 367 |
| Unemployment rate. | 33.5 | 27.6 | 37.4 | 33.7 | 36.6 | 37.5 | 36.5 | 35.4 | 37.3 |
| men . | 32.3 | 40.8 | 34.5 | 31.1 | 35.9 | 38.8 | 39.2 | 35.5 | 33.5 |
| Nomen | 34.7 | 33.8 | 40.5 | 36.4 | 27.4 | 36.1 | 33.3 | 35.3 | 41.4 |

Table A-3. Selected employment indicators
(In thousands)

| Catupory | Not memonally dijumed |  | Seasonally adjusted |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { MAR. } \\ & 1980 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { MAR. } \\ & 1981 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { MAR. } \\ & 1980 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { nov. } \\ & 1980 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { OEC. } \\ & 1980 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { JAN. } \\ & 1981 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { FEB. } \\ & 1981 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { MAR } \\ & 198 i \end{aligned}$ |
| Characteristic |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total employed, 18 yeary and over | 96.546 | 97.318 | 97.628 | 97.339 | 97.282 | 97.696 | 97.927 | 98.412 |
| Married men, spouse provent. | 38.396 | 38.058 | 38,706 | 38,167 | 38.231 | 38,182 | 38,113 | 38,365 |
| Married women, spouse prasent | 23.295 | 23.631 | 23.171 | 23.065 | 23.063 | 23.352 | 23.356 | 23.513 |
| Wormen who maintain families | 4.623 | 4.839 | 4,658 | 4.707 | 4.716 | 4.787 | 4.852 | 4.878 |
| OCCUPATION |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| White-collar workers | 50.604 | 52.044 | 50.336 | 51,148 | 51.065 | 51.594 | 51.698 | 51.746 |
| Professional and technical. | 15.736 | 16.175 | 15.408 | 15.863 | 15.810 | 15.965 | 15.813 | 15.827 |
| Managers and administrators. except farm | 10.744 | 11.542 | 10.765 | 11.016 | 11,009 | 11.363 | 11.488 | 11.565 |
| Sales workers | 6.052 | 6.139 | 6.132 | 6.155 | 6.175 | 6.265 | 6.271 | 0.220 |
| Clerical workers | 18.073 | 18.189 | 18.031 | 18.114 | 18.071 | 18.001 | 18.125 | 18.135 |
| Blue-collar workers | 30,580 | 29.647 | 31.568 | 30.550 | 30.373 | 30.338 | 30.446 | 30.594 |
| Craft and kindred workers. | 12,358 | 12.227 | 12.740 | 12.424 | 12,337 | 12.306 | 12,386 | 12.605 |
| Operatives, except transport | 10,442 | 10.077 | 10,556 | 10.247 | 10.194 | 10.331 | 10.390 | 10.189 |
| Transport equipment operatives. | 3,505 | 3.319 | 3.551 | 3,429 | 3.402 | 3,322 | 3.361 | 3,363 |
| Nonfarm laborers | 4,276 | 4,024 | 4.721 | 4,450 | 4.440 | 4.380 | 4.309 | 4.437 |
| Service workers. | 12.930 | 13,223 | 12.982 | 12.888 | 12.982 | 12,946 | 13.070 | 13.279 |
| Farm workers | 2,432 | 2.404 | 2,718 | 2,729 | 2.804 | 2,737 | 2.662 | 2.679 |
| MAJOR INDUSTRY AND CLASS OF WORKER |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Agriculture: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Wage and salary workers. | 1. 253 | 1.176 | 1.429 | 1.417 | 1.411 | 1.465 | 1.336 | 1.338 |
| Selfemploved workers. | 1.486 | 1,491 | 1.612 | 1.612 | 1.655 | 1.615 | 1.610 | 1.615 |
| Unpaid family workers. | 223 | 237 | 295 | 324 | 305 | 284 | 325 | 312 |
| Nonagricultural industries: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Wage and salary workers. | 86,359 | 87.132 | 87.110 | 86.643 | 86.513 | 87.125 | 87.236 | 87.870 |
| Government. . . . . . | 15.809 | 15.889 | 15,605 | 15.651 | 15.853 | 15.738 | 15.589 | 15.685 |
| Private industries. | 70.549 | 71.243 | 71.505 | 70.992 | 70.860 | 71.387 | 71.647 | 72.185 |
| Private households. | 1.067 | 1.155 | 1.140 | 1.148 | 1.110 | 1,197 | 1.176 | 1.235 |
| Other industries | 69.482 | 70.088 | 70.365 | 69.844 | 69.750 | 70.190 | 70.471 | 70.949 |
| Self-employed workers. | 6.791 | 6.882 | 6.807 | 6.943 | 6.973 | 6.839 | 6.923 | 6.896 |
| Unpaid family workers . | 434 | 399 | 385 | 405 | 396 | 422 | 371 | 354 |
| PERSONS AT WORK ${ }^{1}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Nonegricultural industries. | 89,536 | 90,581 | 88,505 | 88.694 | 88,468 | 89.499 | 89.441 | 89.583 |
| Full-time schedules . . | 72.749 | 73.021 | 72.618 | 72.265 | 72,131 | 72.807 | 72.945 | 72.875 |
| Pert time for economic remont | 3.313 | 4.018 | 3.470 | 4.176 | 4,218 | 4.474 | 4.145 | 4.227 |
| Usually work full time. | 1.460 | 1.610 | 1.481 | 1.620 | 1,647 | 1,698 | 1,622 | 1.638 |
| Usually work pert time. . . . . . | 1.853 | 2,408 | 1.989 | 2,556 | 2,571 | 2,776 | 2,523 | 2.589 |
| Part time for noneconomic resens. | 13.474 | 13.542 | 12.417 | 12.253 | 12.119 | 12,218 | 12.351 | 12.481 |

1 Excludet pertom "with a job but not at work" during the survey period for auch reasons a
vacation, illnem, or industrial disputes.
Table A.4. Range of unemployment measures based on varying definitions of unemployment and the labor force, seasonally adjusted

| Mensuret | Oumertarly averagem |  |  |  |  | Montily deta <br> 1981 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1980 |  |  |  | $\begin{gathered} 1981 \\ 1 \end{gathered}$ |  |  |  |
|  | 1 | II | I I I | IV |  | JAN. | FEB. | M AR. |
| U. 1 Persons unemployed 15 weeks or longer as a percent of the civilian labor force. | 1.3 | 1.6 | 2.0 | 2.2 | 2.1 | 2.2 | 2.1 | 2.1 |
| U-2 Job lowers as a percent of the civllien labor force | 2.9 | 3.9 | 4.1 | 4.0 | 3.7 | 3.6 | 3.7 | 3.6 |
| U. 3 Unemploved pertons 25 yenrs and over an a percent of the civilion labor force 25 vears and over. | 4.3 | 5.2 | 5.5 | 5.4 | 5.2 | 5.3 | 5.1 | 5.2 |
| U4 Unemploved full-time ioberekers $\mathrm{s}_{\text {a }}$ percent of the full-time lebor force. | 5.8 | 7.0 | 7.3 | 7.3 | 7.1 | 7.1 | 7.1 | 7.1 |
| U5 Total unemployed is a percent of the civilian labor force (official measure) | 6.2 | 7.3 | 7.5 | 7.5 | 7.4 | 7.4 | 7.3 | 7.3 |
| U-6 Total full-time jobseekers plus $1 / 2$ part-time jobseekers plus $1 / 2$ total on part time for economic reasons as a percent of the civilian labor force less $1 / 2$ of the part-time labor force ...... . . | 7.9 | ¢. 2 | 9.6 | 9.6 | 9.4 | 9.6 | 9.4 | 9.4 |
| U.7 Total full-time jobseakers plun $1 / 2$ pert-time jobseekers plut $1 / 2$ toral on part time for economic ressons plus discouraged workers as a percent of the civilian labor force plus discouraged workers low $1 / 2$ of the pert-time labor force. | 8.8 | 10.1 | 10.5 | 10.5 | 10.5 | N. A. | N.A. | N.A. |

N.A. = not available.

Table A-5. Major unemployment Indicators, seasonally adjusted


1 Aggrogete hourn lost by the unemployed and persons on part time for cconomic revons at a per
industry covers only unemployed wage and sulimy workers.
cent of potentially available labor force hours. Includes mining, not thown mperataly.
2 Unemployment by occupation includes all experianced unemployed persons, wherem that by

Table A-6. Duration of unemployment
(Numbers in thousands)

| Weeks of unemployment | Not memonelty mijuntad |  | Samonally edjunted |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { MAR. } \\ & 1980 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { MAR } \\ & 1981 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { MAR. } \\ & 1980 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NOV. } \\ & 1980 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { DEC. } \\ & 1980 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { JAN. } \\ & 1981 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { FEB. } \\ & 1981 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { MAR } \\ & 1981 \end{aligned}$ |
| DURATION |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Less then 5 wooks | 2.725 | 2.904 | 3.005 | 3.108 | 3.115 | 3.259 | 3.203 | 3.209 |
| 5 to 14 weoks. | 2.429 | 2.585 | 2.207 | 2.524 | 2.217 | 2.264 | 2. 324 | 2.356 |
| 15 weeks and over | 1.651 | 2.597 | 1.391 | 2.329 | 2.378 | 2,358 | 2.25Q | 2.192 |
| 15 27 to 26 weeks and . . . | 989 | 1.285 | 796 | 1.213 | 1.231 | 1.079 | 992 | 1.013 |
| 27 weeks and over. | 662 | 1.312 | 595 | 1.116 | 1.147 | 1.279 | 1.257 | $1.179$ |
| Average (meen) duration, in weeks | 11.9 | 15.2 | 11.0 | 13.6 | 13.5 | 14.4 | 14.4 | 14.0 |
| Medisn duration, in weeks. | 7.5 | 9.0 | 5.9 | 7.7 | 7.3 | 7.4 | 6.9 | 7.0 |
| PERCENT DIStRibution |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total unemployed. . | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Less than 5 woeks | 40.0 | 35.9 | 45.5 | 39.0 | 40.4 | 41.3 | 41.2 | 41.4 |
| 5 to 14 woeks. | 35.7 | 32.0 | 33.4 | 31.7 | 28.8 | 28.7 | 29.9 | 30.4 |
| 16 woeks and over. | 24.3 | 32.1 | 21.1. | 29.3 | 30.8 | 29.9 | 28.9 | 28.3 |
| 15 to 26 weoks . | 14.5 | 15.9 | 12.1 | 15.2 | 16.0 | 13.7 | 12.8 | 13.1 |
| 27 woekx and over. | 9.7 | 16.2 | 9.0 | 14.0 | 14.9 | 16.2 | 16.2 | 15.2 |

Table A-7. Reason for unemployment

| (Numbers in thousands) |
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Table A.8. Unemployment by sex and age, seasonally adjusted

| Sax and ese | Number of unemployed pertor: (in thoumento) |  | Unemployment reate |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | MAR. <br> 1980 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { MAR. } \\ & 1981 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { MAR. } \\ & 1980 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NOV } \\ & 1980 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { DEC. } \\ & 1980 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { JAN. } \\ & 1981 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { FEB. } \\ & 1981 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { MAR } \\ & 198 i \end{aligned}$ |
| Total, 18 years and over. | 6.543 | 7.764 | 6.3 | 7.5 | 7.4 | 7.4 | 7.3 | 7.3 |
| 16 to 24 yaum. | 3,026 | 3,544 | 12.3 | 14.5 | 14.0 | 14.5 | 14.6 | 14.4 |
| 16 to 19 years. | 1.512 | 1.734 | 16.2 | 18.6 | 17.8 | 19.0 | 19.3 | 19.1 |
| 16 to 17 yame. | 685 | 789 | 17.7 | 21.4 | 10.0 | 21.0 | 21.4 | 21.3 |
| 18 to 19 yenss. | 827 | 946 | 15.1 | 16.5 | 16.4 | 17.5 | 17.9 | 17.7 |
| 20 to 24 years. | 1,514 | 1.810 | 9.9 | 12.1 | 11.7 | 11.9 | 11.8 | 11.7 |
| 25 yoers and ovar | 3.522 | 4.233 | 4.4 | 5.4 | 5.3 | 5.3 | 5.1 | 5.2 |
| 25 to 54 yeers. | 3.109 | 3.683 | 4.8 | 5.9 | 5.8 | 5.7 | 5.5 | 5.5 |
| 55 yoers and ower | 419 | 552 | 2.8 | 3.3 | 3.5 | 3.5 | 3.6 | 3.7 |
| Men, 16 yeors and ower. | 3.500 | 4,245 | 5.8 | 7.4 | 7.2 | 7.2 | 7.1 | 7.0 |
| 18 to 24 years. . | 1.651 | 2,025 | 12.4 | 15.6 | 14.9 | 15.6 | 15.4 | 15.4 |
| 16 to 18 yours. | 764 | 940 | 15.2 | 19.8 | 19.0 | 20.3 | 20.1 | 19.5 |
| 18 to 17 yemer. | 353 | 414 | 16.5 | 22.3 | 20.5 | 23.0 | 22.1 | 21.1 |
| 18 to 19 years. | 417 | 532 | 14.5 | 17.8 | 17.8 | 18.5 | 18.7 | 18.6 |
| 20 to 24 y yens. . | 887 | 1.085 | 10.7 | 13.2 | 12.5 | 12.8 | 12.7 | 13.0 |
| 26 yeurs and over | 1,857 | 2.235 | 4.0 | 5.1 | 4.9 | 4.9 | 4.8 | 4.7 |
| 25 to 54 yours. . . | 1.601 | 1,942 | 4.3 | 5.6 | 5.4 | 5.2 | 5.2 | 5.1 |
| 56 years and over | 256 | 293 | 2.8 | 3.3 | 3.3 | 3.4 | 3.4 | 3.2 |
| Women, 18 yoart and over. . |  |  |  | 7.7 | 7.7 | 7.7 | 7.6 | 7.7 |
| 16 to 24 yours. | 1.375 | 1.520 | 12.2 | 13.2 | 13.0 | 13.3 | 13.6 | 13.3 |
| 16 to 19 yanm. | 748 | 794 | 17.2 | 17.2 | 16.5 | 17.5 | 18.4 | 18.7 |
| 18 to 17 y yans. . . | 332 | 375 | 19.2 | 20.3 | 19.3 | 18.7 | 20.5 | 21.6 |
| 18 to 19 yeers. . | 410 | 414 | 15.8 | 15.1 | 14.8 | 16.4 | 17.0 | 16.5 |
| 20 to 24 yeert. | 627 | 726 | 9.0 | 10.8 | 10.8 | 10.8 | 10.8 | 10.1 |
| 25 yours end over | $1,665$ | $1,998$ | 5.1 | 5.8 | 5.9 | 5.8 | 5.6 | 5.9 |
| 25 to 54 yeers. | 1.508 | 1.741 | 5.5 | 6.2 | 6.3 | 6.3 | 5.9 | 6.2 |
| 55 yeers and over . . . | 163. | 259 | 2.9 | 3.4 | 3.9 | 3.6 | 3.9 | 4.5 |

Table A-9. Employment status of the black and Hispanic-origin population


1 Data relate to black workers only. in the 1970 census, thay constituted about 69 percent of the "black and other" population group.
${ }^{2}$ Data on persors of Hispenic athnicity are collected indeopndently of racial dats. in the 1970 census, approximately 96 percent of their population was white.

Table A-10. Employment status of male Vietnam-era veterans and nonveterans by age, not seasonally adjusted

| (Numbers in thousands) |
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Table A-11. Persons not in labor force by reason, sex, and race, quarterly averages


[^0]Tebte A-12. Employment status of the noninstiturtional population for the ten largest States


1 The population figuren are not edjusted for sawond vaistions; therefore, identical numbers
eppoer in the unadjustad and the semondily adjustod columns.
-These are the official Burem of Lebor Statistici' estimaters used in the administration of
Fideral fund aliocation programs.

Table B-t. Employees on nonagricultural payrolls by industry

| Industry | Not masonally adjusted |  |  |  | Sessonally adjusted |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Mar. } \\ 1980 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Jan. } \\ & 1981 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Feb. p } \\ & 198 i^{p} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mari } \\ & 1981 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar. } \\ & 1980 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Nov. } \\ & 1980 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Dec. } \\ & 1980 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Jan. } \\ & 1981 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Feb. } \\ & 198 i^{p} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar. } \\ & 1981^{\circ} \end{aligned}$ |
| TOTAL | 90,316 | 90,082 | 90,236 | 90,759 | 91,144 | 90,961 | 91,125 | 91,481 | 91; 644 | 91,645 |
| GOODS-PRODUCING | 25,939 | 25,304 | 25,206 | 25,438 | 26,476 | 25,811 | 25,892 | 26,041 | 25,987 | 25,978 |
| MINING | 996 | 1,069 | 1,072 | 1,079 | 1,009 | 1,054 | 1,072 | 1,086 | 1,094 | 1,093 |
| CONST RUCTION | 4,150 | 4,080 | 3,987 | 4,131 | 4,529 | 4,475 | 4,508 | 4,610 | 4,520 | 4,516 |
| MANUFACTURING | 20,793 | 20,155 | 20,147 | 20,222 | 20,938 | 20,282 | 20,312 | 20,345 | 20,373 | 20,369 |
| Production workers | 14,727 | 14,049 | 14,045 | 14,129 | 14,850 | 14,179 | 14,195 | 14,221 | 14,238 | 14,255 |
| DURABLE GOODS | 12,647 | 12,110 | 12,078 | 12,136 | 12,707 | 12,146 | 12,160 | 12,188 | 12,193 | 12,197 |
| Production workers | 8,909 | 8,342 | 8,314 | 8,377 | 8,961 | 8,381 | 8,386 | 8,410 | 8,408 | 8,427 |
| Lumber and wood products | 716.9 | 668.1 | 667.7 | 670.5 | 737 | 683 | 688 | 693 | 692 | 690 |
| Furniture and fixtures ...... | 494.1 679.0 | 475.0 637.4 | 477.0 632.4 | 478.2 641.5 | 494 700 | 469 | 472 660 | 475 663 | 477 | 478 |
| Stone, clay, and glass products | 1,203.7 | 1,125.5 | 632.4 1.125 .1 | 641.5 $1,127.5$ | 1,209 | 1,6619 | 660 1,133 | 663 1,133 | 661 1,133 | 662 1,133 |
| Primary metal industries ... | 1,703.8 | 1,598.6 | 1,596.7 | 1,605.5 | 1,711 | 1,606 | 1,608 | 1,608 | 1,610 | 1,612 |
| Mechinery, except electrical | 2,539.9 | 2,491.3 | 2,500.3 | 2,504.5 | 2,530 | 2,475 | 2,480 | 2,484 | 2,493 | 2,495 |
| Electric and electronic equipment | 2,167.7 | 2,140.1 | 2,140.9 | 2,146.6 | 2,176 | 2,120 | 2,135 | 2,147 | 2,152 | 2,155 |
| Transportation equipment . . . . . . | 2,005.6 | 1,872.0 | 1,833.4 | 1,854.7 | 2,006 | 1,901 | 1,868 | 1,866 | 1,858 | 1,857 |
| Instruments and related products | 703.6 | 700.6 | 699.1 | 698.1 | 705 | 701 | 701 | 702 | 701 | 700 |
| Miscellaneous manufacturing . . . | 432.9 | 401.5 | 405.5 | 408.9 | 439 | 411 | 415 | 417 | 416 | 415 |
| NONDURABLE GOODS | 8,146 | 8,045 | 8,069 | 8,086 | 8,231 | 8,136 | 8,152 | 8,157 | 8,180 | 8,172 |
| Production morkers | 5,818 | 5,707 | 5,731 | 5,752 | 5,889 | 5,798 | 5,809 | 5,811 | 5,830 | 5,828 |
| Food and kindred products | $1,641.1$ 64.4 | $1,625.0$ 72.0 | $1,616.9$ 70.2 | $1,612.2$ 67.9 | 1,704 68 | 1,686 71 | 1,684 70 | 1,680 70 | 1,684 71 | 1,674 71 |
| Tobseco manufacturers . | 886.9 | 852.5 | 853.5 | 855.2 | 888 | 856 | 857 | 858 | 857 | 857 |
| Apperel and other textile products | 1,318.4 | 1,266.2 | 1,284.7 | 1,293.6 | 1,316 | 1,291 | 1,291 | 1,289 | 1,292 | 1,291 |
| Paper and allied products. | 701.8 | 687.9 | 688.2 | 688.6 | + 708 | 1. 692 | 1, 693 | , 694 | 1, 696 | 695 |
| Printing and publishing | 1,272.1 | 1,281.7 | 1,288.0 | 1,290.8 | 1,274 | 1,278 | 1,284 | 1,284 | 1,291 | 1,293 |
| Chemicals and allied products | 1,118.1 | 1,106.3 | 1,109.3 | 1.112.9 | 1,123 | 1,108 | 1,112 | 1,115 | 1,118 | 1,117 |
| Petroleum and coel products | 153.1 | 207.6 | 206.6 | 208.7 | 157 | 209 | - 210 | 213 | 213 | 214 |
| Rubber and misc. plastics products | 746.5 | 708.9 | 710.9 | 715.0 | 749 | 705 | 711 | 713 | 716 | 718 |
| Leather and leather products | 243.4 | 237.1 | 240.3 | 241.3 | 244 | 240 | 240 | 241 | 242 | 242 |
| SERVICE-PRODUCING | 64,377 | 64,778 | 65,030 | 65,321 | 64,668 | 65,150 | 65,233 | 65,440 | 65,657 | 65,667 |
| TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC UTILITIES | 5,143 | 5,075 | 5,080 | 5,096 | 5,202 | 5,132 | 5,137 | 5,142 | 5,147 | 5,153 |
| WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE | 20,226 | 20,555 | 20,397 | 20,478 | 20,610 | 20,660 | 20,638 | 20,762 | 20,886 | 20,915 |
| WHOLESALE TRADE | 5,269 | 5,278 | 5,277 | 5,300 | 5,301 | 5,297 | 5,302 | 5,315 | 5,330 | 5,332 |
| RETAIL TRADE . | 14,957 | 15,277 | 15,120 | 15,178 | 15,309 | 15,363 | 15,336 | 15,447 | 15,556 | 15,583 |
| FINANCE, INSURANCE, AND REAL ESTATE | 5,085 | 5,226 | 5,232 | 5,247 | 5,115 | 5,225 | 5,245 | 5,268 | 5,274 | 5,279 |
| SERVICES | 17,478 | 17,788 | 17,953 | 18,107 | 17,580 | 17,969 | 18,068 | 18,133 | 18,189 | 18,216 |
| GOVERNMENT | 16,445 | 16,134 | 16,368 | 16,393 | 16,161 | 16,164 | 16,145 | 16,135 | 16,161 | 16,104 |
| FEDERAL | 2,869 | 2;773 | 2,767 | 2,769 | 2,886 | 2,790 | 2,789 | 2,801 | 2,787 | 2,786 |
| STATE AND LOCAL | 13,576 | 13,361 | 13,601 | 13,624 | 13,275 | 13,374 | 13,356 | 13,334 | 13,374 | 13,318 |

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

| Industry | Not sensonally adjusted |  |  |  | Semonally adjusted |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar. } \\ & 1980 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Jan. } \\ & 1981 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Feb. } \\ & 1981^{\circ} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Marip } \\ & 198 i p \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar. } \\ & 1980 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Nov. } \\ & 1980 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Dec. } \\ & 1980 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Jan. } \\ & \text { 1981 } \end{aligned}$ | Feb. $1981^{\text {D }}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Mar. } \\ 198 i \end{gathered}$ |
| TOTAL PRIVATE | 35.2 | 35.1 | 35.0 | 35.2 | 35.4 | 35.4 | 35.4 | 35.5 | 35.3 | 35.4 |
| MINING | 43.4 | 43.5 | 43.2 | 42.5 | $\left(^{2}\right)$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | $\left({ }^{2}\right)$ | $\left.{ }^{2}\right)$ | $\left({ }^{2}\right)$ | $\left(^{2}\right)$ |
| CONSTRUCTION | 36.2 | 36.4 | 35.0 | 37.2 | 36.6 | 37.2 | 37.1 | 38.5 | 36.3 | 37.6 |
| MANUFACTURING | 39.8 | 39.9 | 39.5 | 40.0 | 39.8 | 39.9 | 40.1 | 40.4 | 39.9 | 40.0 |
| Overime hours | 3.0 | 2.9 | 2.8 | 2.8 | 3.1 | 2.9 | 3.1 | 3.1 | 2.9. | 2.9 |
| DURABLE GOODS | 40.3 | 40.4 | 39.9 | 40.6 | 40.3 | 40.5 | 40.6 | 40.9 | 40.2 | 40.6 |
| Overtime hours | 3.1 | 2.9 | 2.8 | 2.9 | 3.2 | 3.0 | 3.2 | 3.1 | 2.9 | 3.0 |
| Lumber and wood products | 38.3 | 38.8 | 38.4 | 39.1 | 38.7 | 39.3 | 39.4 | 40.1 | 38.9 | 39.5 |
| Furniture and fixtures | 38.5 | 38.1 | 38.3 | 39.0 | 38.5 | 38.0 | 38.6 | 38.9 | 38.9 | 39.0 |
| Stone, clay, and glass products | 40.7 | 40.4 | 39.7 | 40.8 | 40.9 | 41.1 | 41.3 | 41.6 | 40.7 | 41.0 |
| Primary metal industries .... | 40.7 | 41.1 | 40.7 | 41.3 | 40.7 | 40.9 | 41.4 | 41.2 | 40.8 | 41.3 |
| Fabnicated metal products | 40.6 | 40.4 | 40.1 | 40.5 | 40.7 | 40.6 | 40.6 | 40.7 | 40.5 | 40.6 |
| Machinery, except electrical | 41.5 | 41.2 | 40.8 | 41.3 | 41.3 | 41.0 | 41.0 | 41.3 | 40.8 | 41.1 |
| Electric and electronic equipment | 40.0 | 40.1 | 39.6 | 39.9 | 40.0 | 40.0 | 40.2 | 40.4 | 39.7 | 39.9 |
| Transportation equipment | 40.4 | 40.9 | 40.0 | 41.2 | 40.4 | 41.4 | 41.3 | 41.9 | 40.4 | 41.2 |
| Instruments and related products | 40.6 | 40.6 | 40.5 | 40.9 | 40.4 | 40.5 | 40.5 | 41.0 | 40.6 | 40.7 |
| Misceilaneous manufacturing . | 38.8 | 38.6 | 38.4 | 38,9 | 38.6 | 38.6 | 39.0 | 39.0 | 38.8 | 38.7 |
| nondurable goods | 38.9 | 39.1 | 38.9 | 39.1 | 39.0 | 39.0 | 39.3 | 39.7 | 39.3 | 39.2 |
| Overtime hours | 2.9 | 2.9 | 2.8 | 2.8 | 3.0 | 2.9 | 3.0 | 3.1 | 3.0 | 2.9 |
| Food and kindred products | 39.0 | 40.0 | 39.4 | 39.2 | 39.3 | 39.8 | 39.8 | 40.3 | 40.0 | 39.6 |
| Tobacco manufacturers ... | 37.7 | 38.5 | 38.7 | 37.6 | 37.7 | 38.9 | 37.2 | 39.7 |  | 37.6 |
| Textile mill products | 40.9 | 39.9 | 39.9 | 40.0 | 40.8 | 40.0 | 40.3 | 40.5 | 40.2 | 39.9 |
| Apparel and other textile products | 35.4 | 35.2 | 35.2 | 35.9 | 35.3 | 35.0 | 35.6 | 36.0 | 35.7 | 35.8 |
| Paper and allied products. | 42.4 | 42.8 | 42.4 | 42.5 | 42.6 | 42.6 | 43.0 | 43.1 | 42.9 | 42.8 |
| Printing and publishing | 37.2 | 37.1 | 37.0 | 37.2 | 37.2 | 36.8 | 37.4 | 37.7 | 37.4 | 37.2 |
| Chemicals and allied products | 41.7 | 41.5 | 41.5 | 41.6 | 41.8 | 41.7 | 41.7 | 41.8 | 41.8 | 41.6 |
| Petroleum and coal products | 39.4 | 42.6 | 42.6 | 43.4 | 39.7 | 43.2 | 43.2 | 43.4 | 43.6 | 43.7 |
| Rubber and misc. plastics products | 40.0 | 40.9 | 40.2 | 40.6 | 39.9 | 40.8 | 40.9 | 41.3 | 40.2 | 40.5 |
| Leather and leather products ..... | 36.4 | 36.6 | 36.6 | 36.8 | 36.9 | 36.2 | 36.6 | 37.1 | 37.0 | 37.3 |
| TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC UTILITIES | 39.5 | 39.4 | 39.5 | 39.5 | $\left.{ }^{2}\right)$ | $\left({ }^{2}\right)$ | $\left(^{2}\right)$ | $\left(^{2}\right)$ | ${ }^{2}$ ) | $\left.{ }^{2}\right)$ |
| WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE | 32.0 | 31.7 | 31.7 | 31.9 | 32.3 | 32.2 | 32.1 | 32.3 | 32.2 | 32.2 |
| WHOLESALE TRADE | 38.4 | 38.5 | 38.3 | 38.5 | 38.5 | 38.6 | 38.7 | 38.8 | 38.7 | 38.6 |
| RETAIL TRADE ... | - 29.9 | 29.5 | 29.6 | 29.8 | 30.3 | 30.2 | 30.0 | 30.2 | 30.2 | 30.2 |
| FINANCE, INSURANCE, AND REAL ESTATE | 36.3 | 36.3 | 36.4 | 36.3 | (2) | - ${ }^{2}$ ). | - ${ }^{2}$ ) | - ${ }^{2}$ ) | $\xrightarrow{(2)}$ | ( ${ }^{2}$ ), |
| SERVICES | 32.5 | 32.5 | 32.6 | 32.6 | 32.7 | 32.7 | 32.6 | 32.7 | 32.8 | 32.8 |

' Data relate to production workers in mining and manufacturing; to construction workers in 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.

This series is not seasonally adjusted since the seasonal component is small relative to the trend-cycle andior irregular components and consequently cannot be separated with sufficient precision.
$\mathrm{p}=$ preliminary.

Table B-3. Average hourly and weekly earnings of production or nonsupervisory workers on private nonagricultural payrolls by industry

| Industry | Average hourly oernings |  |  |  | Average weekly earnings |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar. } \\ & 1980 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Jan. } \\ & 1981 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Feb. p } \\ & 1981^{p} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar } \\ & 1981 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar. } \\ & 1980 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Jan. } \\ & \text { 1981 } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Feb } \\ & 1981 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar. } \\ & 1981 \end{aligned}$ |
| TOTAL. PRIVATE | \$6.51 | \$ 7.03 | \$ 7.06 | \$7.10 | \$229.15 | \$246.75 | \$247.10 | \$249.92 |
| Seasonally adjusted | 6.51 | 7.02 | 7.05 | 7.10 | 230.45 | 249.21 | 248.87 | 251.34 |
| MINING | 8.95 | 9.78 | 9.86 | 9.88 | 388.43 | 425.43 | 425.95 | 419.90 |
| CONSTRUCTION | 9.68 | 10.43 | 10.40 | 10.40 | 350.42 | 379.65 | 364.00 | 386.88 |
| MANUFACTURING | 7.06 | 7.73 | 7.74 | 7.79 | 280.99 | 308.43 | 305.73 | 311.60 |
| DURABLE GOODS | 7.54 | 8.25 | 8.26 | 8.32 | 303.86 | 333.30 | 329.57 | 337.79 |
| Lumber and wood products | 6.35 | 6.82 | 6.84 | 6.83 | 243.21 | 264.62 | 262.66 | 267.05 |
| Furniture and fixtures | 5.37 | 5.70 | 5.73 | 5.76 | 206.75 | 217.17 | 219.46 | 224.64 |
| Stone, clay, and glass products | 7.27 | 7.87 | 7.90 | 7.95 | 295.89 | 317.95 | 313.63 | 324.36 |
| Primary metal industries. | 9.45 | 10.36 | 10.53 | 10.60 | 384.62 | 425.80 | 428.57 | 437.78 |
| Fabricated metal products | 7.24 | 7.87 | 7.89 | 7.97 | 293.94 | 317.95 | 316.39 | 322.79 |
| Machinery, except electrical | 7.76 | 8.59 | 8.62 | 8.66 | 322.04 | 353.91 | 351.70 | 357.66 |
| Electric and electronic equipment | 6.78 | 7.42 | 7.46 | 7.48 | 271.20 | 297.54 | 295.42 | 298.45 |
| Transportation equipment | 9.04 | 9.98 | 9.92 | 10.04 | 365.22 | 408.18 | 396.80 | 413.65 |
| Instruments and related products | 6.63 | 7.19 | 7.21 | 7.25 | 269.18 | 291.91 | 292.01 | 296.53 |
| Miscellaneous manufacturing | 5.34 | 5.81 | 5.80 | 5.81 | 207.19 | 224.27 | 222.72 | 226.01 |
| NONDURABLE GOODS | 6.30 | 6.94 | 6.95 | 6.98 | 245.07 | 271.35 | 270.36 | 272.92 |
| Food and kindred products | 6.68 | 7.21 | 7.24 | 7.27 | 260.52 | 288.40 | 285.26 | 284.98 |
| Tobacco manufacturers. | 7.57 | 8.42 | 8.48 | 8.49 | 285.39 | 324.17 | 328.18 | 319.22 |
| Textile mill products. . | 4.92 | 5.34 | 5.34 | 5.34 | 201.23 | 213.07 | 213.07 | 213.60 |
| Apparel and other textile products | 4.49 | 4.89 | 4.87 | 4.94 | 158.95 | 172.13 | 171.42 | 177.35 |
| Paper and allied products | 7.55 | 8.27 | 8.27 | 8.31 | 320.12 | 353.96 | 350.65 | 353.18 |
| Printing and publishing | 7.34 | 7.92 | 7.97 | 8.02 | 273.05 | 293.83 | 294.89 | 298.34 |
| Chemicals and allied products. | 8.05 | 8.73 | 8.77 | 8.80 | 335.69 | 362.30 | 363.96 | 366.08 |
| Petroleum and coal products | 9.29 | 11.06 | 11.33 | 11.33 | 366.03 | 471.16 | 482.66 | 491.72 |
| Rubber and misc. plastics products | 6.27 | 6.96 | 6.95 | 6.99 | 250.80 | 284.66 | 279.39 | 283.79 |
| Leather and leather products | 4.51 | 4.85 | 4.87 | 4.89 | 164.16 | 177.51 | 178.24 | 179.95 |
| TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC UTILITIES | 8.62 | 9.35 | 9.44 | 9.41 | 340.49 | 368.39 | 372.88 | 371.70 |
| WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE. | 5.40 | 5.80 | 5.83 | 5.85 | 172.80 | 183.86 | 184.81 | 186.62 |
| WHOLESALE TRADE RETAIL TRADE $\qquad$ | $\begin{aligned} & 6.83 \\ & 4.81 \end{aligned}$ | 7.33 5.18 | 7.38 5.20 | 7.44 5.20 | 262.27 143.82 | 282.21 152.81 | 282.65 153.92 | $286.44$ |
| FINANCE, INSURANCE, AND REAL ESTATE | 5.68 | 6.10 | 6.20 | 6.22 | 206.18 | 221.43 | 225.68 | 225.79 |
| SERVICES | 5.75 | 6.22 | 6.27 | 6.30 | 186.88 | 202.15 | 204.40 | 205.38 |

[^1]Table B-4. Hourly earnings index for production or nonsupervisory workers ${ }^{1}$ on private nonagricultural payrolls by industry division, seasonally adjusted

| Industry | $\begin{aligned} & \text { MAR } \\ & 1980 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { OCT. } \\ & 1980 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Nov. } \\ & 1980 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{DEC} \\ & 1980 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { JAN. } \\ & 1981 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { FEB } ; ~ \\ & 1981 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { MAR: } P \\ & 198 i \end{aligned}$ | Percent chenge from- |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | MAR. 1980- $\text { MAR. } 1981$ | FEB. 1981 <br> MAR. 1981 |
| TOTAL PRIVATE NONFARM: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Current dollers | 245.2 | 257.9 | 260.9 | 261.9 | 264.4 | 266.3 | 268.5 | 9.5 | 0.8 |
| Constant (1967) dollars | 102.1 | 101.4 | 101.5 | 100.8 | 101.0 | 100.8 | N.A. | (2) | (3) |
| MINING ...... | 280.9 | 294.4 | 298.7 | 302.3 | 306.6 | 308.9 | 311.0 | 10.7 | . 7 |
| CONSTRUCTION | 232.2 | 241.6 | 243.0 | 245.3 | 247.8 | 247.8 | 249.2 | 7.3 | .6 |
| MANUFACTURING | 250.2 | 266.6 | 268.9 | 270.4 | 272.6 | 274.4 | 276.5 | 10.5 | . 8 |
| TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC UTILITIES | 265.9 | 280.2 | 283.4 | 284.1 | 285.9 | 288.8 | 290.7 | 9.3 | . 6 |
| WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE | 237.8 | 247.7 | 250.9 | 250.9 | 254.6 | 256.4 | 258.7 | 8.8 | . 9 |
| FINANCE, INSURANCE, AND REAL ESTATE | 225.7 | 234.8 | 239.3 | 238.0 | 240.2 | 243.8 | 246.8 | 9.3 | 1.3 |
| SERVICES | 242.7 | 254.2 | 258.5 | 259.4 | 261.3 | 263.6 | 265.8 | 9.5 | . 8 |

1 SEE FOOTNOTE 1, TABLE B-2.
2 PERCENT CHANGE WAS -1.4 FROM FEBRUARY 1980 TO FEBRUARY 1981, THE LATEST MONTH AVAILABLE.
3 PERCENT CHANGE WAS -. 2 from JANUARY 1981 TO FEBRUARY 1981, the Latest month available.

## N. A. = not available.

$\mathrm{p}=\mathrm{preliminary}$.
NOTE: All series are in current dollars except where indicated. The index excludes effects of two types of chariges that are unrelated to underlying wage-rate developments: Fluctuations in overtime premiums in manufacturing (the onty sector tor which overtime dota 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,' on private nonagricultural payrolls. by industry, seasonally adjusted

| Industry division and group | 1980 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1981 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Mar. | Apr. | May | June | July | Aug . | Sept. | Oct. | Nov. | Dec. | Jan. | Feb.p | Mar. ${ }^{\text {P }}$ |
| TOTAL PAIVATE | 126.0 | 124.8 | 123.4 | 122.5 | 121.9 | 123.0 | 123.7 | 124.5 | 125.2 | 125.5 | 126.8 | 126.2 | 126.5 |
| GOODS-PRODUCING | 107.3 | 105.2 | 102.2 | 100.3 | 98.5 | 100.0 | 101.5 | 102.3 | 103.7 | 104.4 | 106.4 | 103.9 | 104.8 |
| MINING | 162.9 | 161.7 | 163.2 | 166.4 | 158.7 | 162.4 | 166.7 | 168.0 | 170.4. | 175.6 | 175.4 | 175.1 | 172.9 |
| CONSTRUCTION | 126.9 | 124.7 | 124.3 | 123.7 | 120.6 | 120.5 | 124.7 | 124.5 | 126.0 | 126.8 | 135.3 | 124.6 | 128.6 |
| MANUFACTURING | 101.8 | 99.8 | 96.1 | 93.8 | 92.5 | 94.2 | 95.2 | 96.1 | 97.4 | 98.0 | 98.9 | 97.8 | 98.2 |
| DURABLE GOODS | 105.0 | 101.6 | 96.6 | 94.0 | 92.4 | 94.1 | 95.5 | 96.6 | 98.5 | 98.9 | 99.8 | 98.2 | 99.2 |
| Lumber and wood products | 106.5 | 95.3 | 90.4 | 89.6 | 91.5 | 95.3 | 96.8 | 97.0 | 99.4 | 100.7 | 103.0 | 99.6 | 100.6 |
| Furniture and fixtures | 106.9 | 106.1 | 99.0 | 94.6 | 91.0 | 94.8 | 98.4 | 99.0 | 99.5 | 101.9 | 103.2 | 104.0 | 104.0 |
| Stone, clay, and glass products | 108.0 | 103.5 | 99.4 | 96.7 | 95.1 | 96.5 | 99.3 | 99.5 | 101.0 | 101.3 | 102.4 | 99.8 85.5 | 100.7 |
| Primary metai industries. | 91.8 104.6 | 89.9 | 82.4 95 | 77.4 | 73.4 89.9 | 75.4 92.3 | 77.7 | 80.5 95.1 | 84.3 96.5 | 86.6 96.7 | 86.3 96.8 | 85.5 96.4 | 86.4 |
| Fabricated metal products | 104.6 | 102.1 | 95.3 | 92.5 | 89.9 108.8 | 92.3 | 94.5 | 95.1 | 96.5 | 96.7 | 96.8 112.8 | 96.4 | 97.1 |
| Machinery, except electrical | 116.9 | 116.1 | 114.1 | 110.8 | 108.8 | 108.6 | 110.1 | 110.2 | 111.0 | 110.8 | 112.1 | 111.2 | 112.6 |
| Electric and electronic equipment | 109.4 | 108.1 | 103.8 | 100.1 | 98.5 | 99.8 | 100.5 | 102.1 | 103.3 | 104.8 | 105.9 | 104.4 | 105.1 |
| Transportation equipment . . . . . | 93.0 | 85.0 | 79.1 | 79.6 | 79.8 | 82.4 | 82.5 | 84.7 | 88.2 | 85.7 | 87.1 | 83.4 | 85.3 |
| Instruments and related products | 128.7 | 128.4 | 126.0 | 125.1 | 123.8 | 124.1 | 123.8 | 124.2 | 125.7 | 126.0 | 127.2 | 125.1 | 125.7 |
| Miscellaneous manufacturing industry | 96.9 | 95.8 | 91.6 | 88.5 | 89.0 | 88.5 | 88.9 | 87.6 | 88.2 | 90.3 | 90.9 | 89.9 | 89.9 |
| NONDURABLE GOODS | 97.3 | 97.2 | 95.4 | 93.5 | 92.5 | 94.3 | 94.7 | 95.4 | 95.8 | 96.7 | 97.6 | 97.1 | 96.8 |
| Food and kindred products | 94.6 | 94.4 | 95.1 | 93.2 | 93.9 | 94.8 | 93.2 | 93.7 | 94.6 | 94.4 | 95.4 | 95.0 | 93.4 |
| Tobacco manufacturers . | 70.2 | 72.4 | 73.8 | 72.1 | 73.0 | 68.1 | 71.1 | 74.9 | 75.1 | 70.5 | 75.3 | 76.7 | 72.6 |
| Textite mill products. . | 91.0 | 89.4 | 86.4 | 82.2 | 80.5 | 83.3 | 84.5 | 85.3 | 85.6 | 86.4 | 86.7 | 86.1 | 85.4 |
| Apparel and other textile products | 89.2 | 89.3 | 87.2 | 86.7 | 86.1 | 87.2 | 87.3 | 87.5 | 86.7 | 88.1 | 89.0 | 88.5 | 88.6 |
| Paper and allied products. | 101.6 | 100.4 | 96.7 | 94.7 | 93.6 | 95.0 | 96.5 | 97.3 | 98.6 | 99.9 | 100.3 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Printing and publishing | 105.1 | 104.8 | 103.6 | 103.1 | 102.9 | 103.8 | 103.8 | 104.1 | 103.8 | 106.2 | 106.9 | 106.7 | 106.7 |
| Chemicals and allied products | 108.0 | 107.4 | 106.0 | 104.4 | 102.1 | 102.4 | 103.9 | 104.1 | 105.5 | 105.7 | 106.5 | 106.8 | 106.3 |
| Petroleum and coal products | 71.4 | 91.6 | 113.8 | 113.3 | 113.9 | 114.8 | 116.1 | 117.2 | 117.5 | 118.4 | 120.7 138.8 | 122.1 | 122.4 137.3 |
| Rubber and misc. plastics products | 141.4 | 139.9 | 128.5 | 123.6 | 119.2 | 127.5 | 130.1 | 132.8 | 135.1 | 137.0 | 138.8 | 135.6 | 137.3 |
| Leather and leather products | 65.6 | 66.0 | 63.6 | 63.3 | 59.5 | 63.9 | 63.7 | 64.2 | 63.7 | 64.1 | 65.3 | 65.4 | 66.0 |
| SERVICE-PRODUCING | 139.0 | 138.3 . | 138.1 | 137.9 | 138.2 | 139.0 | 139.2 | 139.9 | 140.2 | 140.2 | 140.9 | 141.6 | 141.6 |
| TRANSPORTATION ANO PUBLIC UTILITIES | 113.9 | 113.5 | 112.6 | 112.6 | 112.8 | 112.6 | 112.7 | 113.5 | 112.8 | 113.8 | 111.9 | 112.3 | 112.3 |
| WhOLESALE AND RETAIL trade | 131.8 | 130.4 | 130.3 | 129.1 | 128.9 | 130.4 | 130.9 | 131.4 | 131.6 | 130.9 | 132.3 | 133.0 | 133.0 |
| WhOLESALE TRADE | 134.5 | 134.1 | 133.7 | 130.8 | 131.0 | 131.9 | 133.3 | 133.6 | 134.0 | 134.5 | 135.0 | 134.9 | 134.7 |
| RETAIL TRADE | 130.7 | 128.9 | 129.0 | 128.5 | 128.0 | 129.8 | 130.0 | 130.6 | 130.6 | 129.4 | 131.3 | 132.3 | 132.4 |
| FINANCE, INSURANCE, AND REAL ESTATE $\qquad$ | 149.6 | 149.4 | 149.7 | 151.2 | 151.1 | 151.8 | 151.1 | 152.4 | 152.6 | 153.2 | 153.7 | 154.2 | 153.8 |
| SERVICES | 157.6 | 157.6 | 157.4 | 157.8 | 159.1 | 159.4 | 159.3 | 160.0 | 161.2 | 161.4 | 162.4 | 163.4 | 163.5 |

Table B-6. Indexes of diffusion: Percent of industries in which employment ${ }^{1}$ increased

| Year and month | Over 1 -month span | Over 3-menth span | Over 6-month span | Over 12 -month span |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1978 |  |  |  |  |
| January............. | 68.6 | 80.8 | 82.3 | 79.7 |
| February............. | 68.6 | 77.3 | 82.8 | 82.3 |
| March................ | 71.8 | 80.2 | 79.9 | 81.1 |
| Aprit........... | 69.8 | 74.7 | 74.7 | 84.6 |
| May..... | 61.9 | 73.0 | 75.3 | 83.7 |
| June................. | 64.2 | 66.6 | 74.7 | 82.6 |
| July............ | 61.0 | 68.0 | 73.3 | 81.1 |
| August. .... | 67.7 | 70.1 | 77.6 | 79.9 |
| September............ | 67.2 | 74.1 | 80.5 | 79.1 |
| October... | 68.0 | 78.2 | 82.0 | 74.1 |
| November. | 75.3 | 81.1 | 79.1 | 76.7 |
| December............ | 74.7 | 81.7 | 78.2 | 74.4 |
| 1979 |  |  |  |  |
| January............. | 66.9 | 75.9 | 74.7 | 73.3 |
| February.. | 66.3 | 70.3 | 71.8 | 70.6 |
| March............... | 62.2 | 64.0 | 64.0 | 69.2 |
| April..... | 49.7 | 60.2 | 60.5 | 67.7 |
| May...... | 58.1 | 54.7 | 53.8 | 63.4 |
| June..... | 57.8 | 59.9 | 51.5 | 58.4 |
| July.... . | 57.0 | 53.8 | 58.1 | 59.6 |
| August... | 54.4 | 52.0 | 55.5 | 54.9 |
| September............ | 52.9 | 57.6 | 55.2 | 50.6 |
| October.. | 65.1 | 61.9 | 59.3 | 46.5 |
| November... | 55.2 | 61.9 | 63.1 | 39.5 37.8 |
| December... | 53.5 | 57.3 | 56.4 | 37.8 |
| 1980 |  |  |  |  |
| January.... | 60.2 | 57.6 | 45.3 | 33.4 |
| February... | 54.9 | 52.6 | 36.9 | 33.1 |
| March...... | 45.9 | 39.2 | 32.3 | 35.2 |
| April.... | 34.6 | 29.1 | 24.7 | 33.1 |
| May...... | 28.8 | 25.0 | 26.7 | 35.5 |
| june.................. | 30.2 | 23.8 | 25.6 | 35.8 |
| July............ | 36.3 | 34.9 | 32.3 | 33.4 |
| August.... | 62.8 | 54.4 | 46.8 | 34.0 p |
| September............ | 62.8 | 68.9 | 68.6 | 36.9p |
| October. | 64.0 | 74.1 | 78.8 |  |
| November. | 66.9 | 71.2 | $76.5 p$ |  |
| December... | 64.0 | 73.0 | 74.1p |  |
| 1981 |  |  |  |  |
| January.. | 64.5 | 67.7p |  |  |
| February.. | 57.8 p | 62.8p |  |  |
| March..... | 51.5p |  |  |  |
| April............... |  |  |  |  |
| May..... . . . . . . . . . . |  |  |  |  |
| June................. |  |  |  |  |
| July............. |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| October........... |  |  |  |  |
| November......... December |  |  |  |  |

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[^0]:    Job marker factors include "cauld not find job" and "uinks no job avelucio." or trinin
    Porsonal factors include "employers think too young or old," "qecks educition or trining" and 3 Includes small number of men not looking for work beceuse of home rewponalbilitien

[^1]:    See footnote 1, table B-2.

