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## THE EMPLOYMENT SITUATION: DECEMBER 1986

Employment continued to rise in December and unemployment declined, the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor reported today. The overall unemployment rate was 6.6 percent and the civilian worker rate was 6.7 percent; both were down two-tenths of a percentage point from the revised figures for the prior 2 months.

Nonagricultural payroll employment--as measured by the monthly survey of establishments--rose by 270,000 in December while civilian employment--as measured by the monthly survey of households--was up by 205,000. Both employment series showed growth in excess of 2 million during 1986.

### Unemployment (Household Survey Data)

The number of unemployed persons declined by 295,000 in December, after adjustment for seasonality, to 7.9 million. After holding steady for 2 months, the civilian jobless rate fell 0.2 percentage point to 6.7 percent. With the exception of December, the unemployment rate fluctuated within two-tenths of the annual average of 7.0 percent throughout 1986. (See table A-2.)

December unemployment rates for adult men (6.0 percent), adult women (5.9 percent), teenagers (17.3 percent), whites (5.8 percent), and blacks (13.7 percent) were slightly below those of the previous month. However, the jobless rate for Hispanics rose to 10.5 percent, offsetting a decline in November. During 1986, jobless rates for adult women, teenagers, whites, and blacks declined, whereas those for adult men and Hispanics showed little or no improvement. (See tables A-2 and A-3.)

The bulk of the December decline in unemployment took place among the medium-term jobless--those out of work 5 to 14 weeks. The mean and median duration of unemployment were about unchanged at 15.0 and 7.1 weeks,

This release incorporates annual revisions in seasonally adjusted unemployment and other labor force series derived from the household survey. The 1986 overall and civilian worker unemployment rates as first computed and as revised, plus additional information on the revisions, appear on page 5.

respectively. Both measures have changed little over the past year. (See table A-7.)

Civilian Employment and the Labor Force (Household Survey Data)

Civilian employment, at 110.6 million, rose by 205,000 in December. Over the year, total employment advanced by 2.2 million, with adult women

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

Category	Quarterly averages		Monthly data			Nov.- Dec. change
	1986		1986			
	III	IV	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	
HOUSEHOLD DATA	Thousands of persons					
Labor force <u>1</u> /.....	119,866	120,308	120,163	120,426	120,336	-90
Total employment <u>1</u> /..	111,675	112,170	111,941	112,183	112,387	204
Civilian labor force...	118,171	118,558	118,414	118,675	118,586	-89
Civilian employment..	109,980	110,420	110,192	110,432	110,637	205
Unemployment.....	8,191	8,138	8,222	8,243	7,949	-294
Not in labor force.....	62,664	62,807	62,772	62,688	62,961	273
Discouraged workers..	1,150	1,127	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
	Percent of labor force					
Unemployment rates:						
All workers <u>1</u> /.....	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.6	-0.2
All civilian workers.	6.9	6.9	6.9	6.9	6.7	-.2
Adult men.....	6.1	6.1	6.2	6.2	6.0	-.2
Adult women.....	6.1	6.0	6.1	6.1	5.9	-.2
Teenagers.....	18.1	17.8	17.7	18.2	17.3	-.9
White.....	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	5.8	-.2
Black.....	14.5	14.1	14.3	14.2	13.7	-.5
Hispanic origin....	10.8	10.2	10.4	9.6	10.5	.9
ESTABLISHMENT DATA	Thousands of jobs					
Nonfarm employment.....	100,316	p101,075	100,826	p101,065	p101,334	p269
Goods-producing.....	24,872	p24,897	24,865	p24,895	p24,932	p37
Service-producing....	75,444	p76,178	75,961	p76,170	p76,402	p232
	Hours of work					
Average weekly hours:						
Total private.....	34.7	p34.7	34.7	p34.8	p34.6	p-0.2
Manufacturing.....	40.7	p40.8	40.7	p40.8	p40.9	p.1
Overtime.....	3.5	p3.5	3.5	p3.5	p3.6	p.1

1/ Includes the resident Armed Forces.

N.A.=not available.

p=preliminary.

NOTE: Household data have been revised based on the experience through December 1986.

accounting for 55 percent of the increase. (All yearly comparisons are adjusted for changes in the underlying population estimates introduced in January 1986.)

The civilian labor force was about unchanged at 118.6 million in December, after seasonal adjustment. Over the past year, the labor force rose by 1.9 million. (See table A-2.)

#### Discouraged Workers (Household Survey Data)

In the fourth quarter of 1986, there were 1.1 million discouraged workers--persons who wanted to work but did not look for jobs because they believed that they could not find any. Their number has been essentially unchanged for more than a year. Seventy-five percent of the discouraged workers cited job-market conditions as their reason for not looking, while the remainder cited personal factors. Blacks continued to make up a disproportionately large share (26 percent) of all discouraged workers. (See table A-14.)

#### Industry Payroll Employment (Establishment Survey Data)

Total nonagricultural payroll employment rose by 270,000 in December, seasonally adjusted, to a level of 101.3 million. For the second month in a row, increases occurred in about three-fifths of the 185 industries in the BLS index of diffusion. (See tables B-1 and B-6.)

The service-producing sector accounted for almost all of the over-the-month job growth, as it has for most months over the past year. The services industry itself posted another large monthly increase--140,000. This industry has accounted for 44 percent of the 2.4 million over-the-year expansion in payroll jobs, largely because of the rapid growth in its business and health services components. Employment also rose over the month in finance, insurance, and real estate. Over the past year, this rapidly growing industry has added 370,000 jobs, a 6 percent increase. Employment in transportation and public utilities, wholesale trade, retail trade, and government were all little changed over the month, after seasonal adjustment.

In the goods-producing sector, manufacturing employment edged up for the third month in a row in December. Since September, manufacturing employment has increased by 85,000, regaining almost half the jobs lost in the first 9 months of the year. Employment in construction was little changed, continuing the recent pattern. In mining, there was a further, although small, job decline in the oil and gas extraction industry, following 2 months of relatively stable employment.

#### Weekly Hours (Establishment Survey Data)

Average weekly hours of production or nonsupervisory workers on private nonagricultural payrolls were 34.6, down 0.2 hour, after seasonal adjustment. In manufacturing, however, both the average workweek and overtime hours edged up by a tenth of an hour. (See table B-2.)

The index of aggregate weekly hours of production or nonsupervisory workers on private nonagricultural payrolls declined by 0.3 percent to 119.0 (1977=100), after seasonal adjustment. The factory index rose by 0.4 percent to 93.6. (See table B-5.)

Hourly and Weekly Earnings (Establishment Survey Data)

Average hourly earnings were about unchanged in December, and average weekly earnings declined 0.7 percent, seasonally adjusted. Prior to seasonal adjustment, average hourly earnings slipped 1 cent to \$8.85, while average weekly earnings increased by \$1.43 to \$308.87. Over the past year, average hourly earnings have risen by 14 cents, and average weekly earnings were up \$2.28. (See table B-3.)

The Hourly Earnings Index (Establishment Survey Data)

The Hourly Earnings Index (HEI) was 170.8 (1977=100) in December, seasonally adjusted, a decrease of 0.1 percent from November. For the 12 months ended in December, the increase was 1.8 percent. The HEI excludes the effects of two types of changes unrelated to underlying wage rate movements--fluctuations in manufacturing overtime and interindustry employment shifts. In dollars of constant purchasing power, the HEI increased 1.5 percent during the 12-month period ended in November. (See table B-4.)

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The Employment Situation for January 1987 will be released on Friday, February 6, at 8:30 A.M. (EST).

Revisions of Seasonally Adjusted Household Survey Data

At the end of each calendar year, the BLS routinely revises the seasonally adjusted labor force series derived from the Current Population Survey (household survey) to incorporate the experience of that year. As a result of the recalculation of the seasonal factors, seasonally adjusted data for the most recent 5 years are subject to revision. (Establishment data are similarly revised concurrent with annual benchmark adjustments about mid-year.)

Table B summarizes the effects of the revisions on the overall and civilian worker unemployment rates in 1986. The 1986 annual averages, 6.9 percent for all workers and 7.0 percent for civilian workers, are, of course, not affected by seasonal adjustment revisions. Table C presents revised seasonally adjusted data for major civilian labor force series for December 1985 through December 1986.

The January 1987 issue of Employment and Earnings will contain the new seasonal adjustment factors that will be used to calculate the civilian labor force and other major series for January-June of 1987, a description of the current seasonal adjustment methodology, and revised data for the most recent 13 months or calendar quarters for all regularly published tables containing seasonally adjusted household survey data. Revised monthly data for the entire 1982-86 revision period for 425 labor force series will be published in the February 1987 issue. Historical seasonally adjusted data (monthly and quarterly) may be purchased from the Bureau. (Contact Gloria P. Green, (202) 523-1959.)

**Table B. Seasonally adjusted unemployment rates in 1986 and change due to revision**

Month	As first computed		As revised		Change due to revision	
	Overall	Civilian	Overall	Civilian	Overall	Civilian
January.....	6.6	6.7	6.7	6.8	0.1	0.1
February.....	7.2	7.3	7.1	7.2	-.1	-.1
March.....	7.1	7.2	7.0	7.2	-.1	0
April.....	7.0	7.1	7.0	7.1	0	0
May.....	7.2	7.3	7.1	7.2	-.1	-.1
June.....	7.0	7.1	7.0	7.1	0	0
July.....	6.8	6.9	6.9	7.0	.1	.1
August.....	6.7	6.8	6.7	6.8	0	0
September.....	6.9	7.0	6.9	7.0	0	0
October.....	6.9	7.0	6.8	6.9	-.1	-.1
November.....	6.9	7.0	6.8	6.9	-.1	-.1
December.....	*6.5	*6.6	6.6	6.7	.1	.1

\* Not published.

Table C. Employment status of the civilian noninstitutional population by sex and age, seasonally adjusted  
(Numbers in thousands)

Employment status, sex, and age	1985	1986											
	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
<b>TOTAL</b>													
Civilian noninstitutional population1/.....	179,112	179,670	179,821	179,985	180,148	180,311	180,503	180,682	180,828	180,997	181,186	181,363	181,547
Civilian labor force.....	116,333	116,794	117,042	117,187	117,292	117,587	118,005	118,117	118,124	118,272	118,414	118,675	118,586
Percent of population	64.9	65.0	65.1	65.1	65.1	65.2	65.4	65.4	65.3	65.3	65.4	65.4	65.3
Employed.....	108,149	108,892	108,557	108,807	108,969	109,165	109,613	109,887	110,067	109,987	110,192	110,432	110,637
Employment-population ratio2/.....	60.4	60.6	60.4	60.5	60.5	60.5	60.7	60.8	60.9	60.8	60.8	60.9	60.9
Unemployed.....	8,184	7,902	8,485	8,380	8,323	8,422	8,392	8,230	8,057	8,285	8,222	8,243	7,949
Unemployment rate....	7.0	6.8	7.2	7.2	7.1	7.2	7.1	7.0	6.8	7.0	6.9	6.9	6.7
<b>Men, 20 years and over</b>													
Civilian noninstitutional population1/.....	77,651	78,101	78,171	78,236	78,309	78,387	78,484	78,586	78,634	78,722	78,802	78,874	78,973
Civilian labor force.....	60,545	61,143	61,092	61,177	61,080	61,158	61,330	61,355	61,219	61,412	61,409	61,703	61,826
Percent of population	78.0	78.3	78.2	78.2	78.0	78.0	78.1	78.1	77.9	78.0	77.9	78.2	78.3
Employed.....	56,928	57,599	57,296	57,388	57,392	57,338	57,522	57,544	57,585	57,607	57,595	57,883	58,101
Employment-population ratio2/.....	73.3	73.7	73.3	73.4	73.3	73.1	73.3	73.2	73.2	73.2	73.1	73.4	73.6
Agriculture.....	2,280	2,340	2,261	2,389	2,319	2,279	2,309	2,275	2,185	2,286	2,297	2,303	2,289
Nonagricultural industries.....	54,648	55,259	55,035	54,999	55,073	55,059	55,213	55,269	55,400	55,321	55,298	55,580	55,812
Unemployed.....	3,617	3,544	3,796	3,789	3,688	3,820	3,808	3,811	3,634	3,805	3,814	3,820	3,725
Unemployment rate....	6.0	5.8	6.2	6.2	6.0	6.2	6.2	6.2	5.9	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.0
Not in labor force.....	17,106	16,958	17,079	17,059	17,229	17,229	17,154	17,231	17,415	17,310	17,393	17,171	17,147
<b>Women, 20 years and over</b>													
Civilian noninstitutional population1/.....	86,988	87,112	87,185	87,263	87,355	87,444	87,547	87,629	87,689	87,779	87,856	87,933	88,016
Civilian labor force.....	47,916	47,897	48,009	48,065	48,181	48,433	48,739	48,879	48,950	48,920	49,014	49,043	48,923
Percent of population	55.1	55.0	55.1	55.1	55.2	55.4	55.7	55.8	55.8	55.7	55.8	55.8	55.6
Employed.....	44,843	44,952	44,820	44,934	45,094	45,335	45,657	45,869	45,956	45,905	46,020	46,067	46,058
Employment-population ratio2/.....	51.6	51.6	51.4	51.5	51.6	51.8	52.2	52.3	52.4	52.3	52.4	52.4	52.3
Agriculture.....	594	677	591	589	585	604	583	607	622	614	612	675	621
Nonagricultural industries.....	44,249	44,275	44,229	44,345	44,509	44,731	45,074	45,262	45,334	45,291	45,408	45,392	45,437
Unemployed.....	3,073	2,945	3,189	3,131	3,087	3,098	3,082	3,010	2,994	3,015	2,994	2,976	2,865
Unemployment rate....	6.4	6.1	6.6	6.5	6.4	6.4	6.3	6.2	6.1	6.2	6.1	6.1	5.9
Not in labor force.....	39,072	39,215	39,176	39,198	39,174	39,011	38,808	38,750	38,739	38,859	38,842	38,890	39,093
<b>Both sexes, 16 to 19 years</b>													
Civilian noninstitutional population1/.....	14,474	14,458	14,465	14,485	14,484	14,480	14,472	14,467	14,505	14,496	14,527	14,557	14,558
Civilian labor force.....	7,872	7,754	7,941	7,945	8,031	7,996	7,936	7,883	7,955	7,940	7,991	7,929	7,837
Percent of population	54.4	53.6	54.9	54.9	55.4	55.2	54.8	54.5	54.8	54.8	55.0	54.5	53.8
Employed.....	6,378	6,341	6,441	6,485	6,483	6,492	6,434	6,474	6,526	6,475	6,577	6,482	6,478
Employment-population ratio2/.....	44.1	43.9	44.5	44.8	44.8	44.8	44.5	44.8	45.0	44.7	45.3	44.5	44.5
Agriculture.....	277	263	253	274	295	268	272	242	250	242	253	237	251
Nonagricultural industries.....	6,101	6,078	6,188	6,211	6,188	6,224	6,162	6,232	6,276	6,233	6,324	6,245	6,227
Unemployed.....	1,494	1,413	1,500	1,460	1,548	1,504	1,502	1,409	1,429	1,465	1,414	1,447	1,359
Unemployment rate....	19.0	18.2	18.9	18.4	19.3	18.8	18.9	17.9	18.0	18.5	17.7	18.2	17.3
Not in labor force.....	6,602	6,704	6,524	6,540	6,453	6,484	6,536	6,584	6,550	6,556	6,536	6,628	6,721

1/ The population figures are not adjusted for seasonal variation.

2/ Civilian employment as a percent of the civilian noninstitutional population.

NOTE: Data have been revised based on the experience through December 1986.

# 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 59,500 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 information is collected from payroll records by BLS in cooperation with State agencies. The sample includes 250,000 establishments employing over 38 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 12th, 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. Members of the Armed Forces stationed in the United States are also included in the employed total.

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. Persons laid off from their former jobs and awaiting recall and those expecting to report to a job within 30 days need not be looking for work to be counted as unemployed.

The *labor force* equals the sum of the number employed and the number unemployed. The *unemployment rate* is the percentage of unemployed people in the labor force (civilian plus the resident Armed Forces). Table A-5 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 U-1 and the most comprehensive yields U-7. The overall unemployment rate is U-5a, while U-5b represents the same measure with a civilian labor force base.

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, private household workers, and members of the resident Armed Forces;

- 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 the 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 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 labor force is the sum of eight seasonally adjusted civilian employment components, plus the resident Armed Forces total (not adjusted for seasonality), and four seasonally adjusted unemployment components; the total for unemployment is the sum of the four unemployment components; and the overall unemployment rate is derived by dividing the resulting estimate of total unemployment by the estimate of the 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. At the time the first half year's factors are calculated (upon availability of data for December), historical data for the previous 5-year period are subject to revision. 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 approximately 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 approximately 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 approximately 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 328,000; for total unemployment it is 220,000; 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 approximately 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 .26 percentage point; for teenagers, it is 1.25 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 \$4.50 per issue or \$31.00 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 B through J 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 M, O, P, and Q of that publication.



## HOUSEHOLD DATA

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Table A-1. Employment status of the population, including Armed Forces in the United States, by sex

(Numbers in thousands)

Employment status and sex	Not seasonally adjusted			Seasonally adjusted <sup>1</sup>					
	Dec. 1985	Nov. 1986	Dec. 1986	Dec. 1985	Aug. 1986	Sept. 1986	Oct. 1986	Nov. 1986	Dec. 1986
<b>TOTAL</b>									
Noninstitutional population <sup>2</sup> .....	180,810	183,114	183,297	180,810	182,525	182,713	182,935	183,114	183,297
Labor force <sup>3</sup> .....	117,478	120,374	119,799	118,031	119,821	119,988	120,163	120,426	120,336
Participation rate <sup>3</sup> .....	65.0	65.7	65.4	65.3	65.6	65.7	65.7	65.8	65.7
Total employed <sup>2</sup> .....	109,761	112,502	112,338	109,847	111,764	111,703	111,941	112,183	112,387
Employment-population ratio <sup>4</sup> .....	60.7	61.4	61.3	60.8	61.2	61.1	61.2	61.3	61.3
Resident Armed Forces .....	1,698	1,751	1,750	1,698	1,697	1,716	1,749	1,751	1,750
Civilian employed .....	108,063	110,751	110,588	108,149	110,067	109,987	110,192	110,432	110,637
Agriculture .....	2,809	3,078	2,826	3,151	3,057	3,142	3,162	3,215	3,161
Nonagricultural industries .....	105,254	107,673	107,762	104,998	107,010	106,845	107,030	107,217	107,476
Unemployed .....	7,717	7,872	7,461	8,184	8,057	8,285	8,222	8,243	7,949
Unemployment rate <sup>5</sup> .....	6.6	6.5	6.2	6.9	6.7	6.9	6.8	6.8	6.6
Not in labor force .....	63,332	62,740	63,498	62,779	62,704	62,725	62,772	62,688	62,961
<b>Men, 18 years and over</b>									
Noninstitutional population <sup>2</sup> .....	86,459	87,773	87,868	86,459	87,460	87,556	87,682	87,773	87,868
Labor force <sup>3</sup> .....	65,698	67,108	66,950	66,173	66,911	67,128	67,130	67,407	67,425
Participation rate <sup>3</sup> .....	76.0	76.5	76.2	76.5	76.5	76.7	76.6	76.8	76.7
Total employed <sup>2</sup> .....	61,324	62,747	62,568	61,762	62,483	62,528	62,565	62,833	62,986
Employment-population ratio <sup>4</sup> .....	70.9	71.5	71.2	71.4	71.4	71.4	71.4	71.6	71.7
Resident Armed Forces .....	1,549	1,592	1,593	1,549	1,541	1,560	1,590	1,592	1,593
Civilian employed .....	59,775	61,155	60,975	60,213	60,942	60,968	60,975	61,241	61,393
Unemployed .....	4,374	4,360	4,382	4,411	4,428	4,600	4,565	4,574	4,439
Unemployment rate <sup>5</sup> .....	6.7	6.5	6.5	6.7	6.6	6.9	6.8	6.8	6.6
<b>Women, 18 years and over</b>									
Noninstitutional population <sup>2</sup> .....	94,351	95,341	95,429	94,351	95,065	95,156	95,253	95,341	95,429
Labor force <sup>3</sup> .....	51,780	53,267	52,849	51,858	52,910	52,860	53,033	53,019	52,911
Participation rate <sup>3</sup> .....	54.9	55.9	55.4	55.0	55.7	55.6	55.7	55.6	55.4
Total employed <sup>2</sup> .....	48,437	49,754	49,770	48,085	49,281	49,175	49,376	49,350	49,401
Employment-population ratio <sup>4</sup> .....	51.3	52.2	52.2	51.0	51.8	51.7	51.8	51.8	51.8
Resident Armed Forces .....	149	159	157	149	156	156	159	159	157
Civilian employed .....	48,288	49,595	49,613	47,936	49,125	49,019	49,217	49,191	49,244
Unemployed .....	3,344	3,512	3,079	3,773	3,629	3,685	3,657	3,669	3,510
Unemployment rate <sup>5</sup> .....	6.5	6.6	5.8	7.3	6.9	7.0	6.9	6.9	6.6

<sup>1</sup> The population and Armed Forces figures are not adjusted for seasonal variation; therefore, identical numbers appear in the unadjusted and seasonally adjusted columns.

<sup>2</sup> Includes members of the Armed Forces stationed in the United States.

<sup>3</sup> Labor force as a percent of the noninstitutional population.

<sup>4</sup> Total employment as a percent of the noninstitutional population.

<sup>5</sup> Unemployment as a percent of the labor force (including the resident Armed Forces).

NOTE: Seasonally adjusted data have been revised based on the experience through December 1986.

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Table A-2. Employment<sup>1</sup> status of the civilian population by sex and age

(Numbers in thousands)

Employment status, sex, and age	Not seasonally adjusted			Seasonally adjusted <sup>1</sup>					
	Dec. 1985	Nov. 1986	Dec. 1986	Dec. 1985	Aug. 1986	Sept. 1986	Oct. 1986	Nov. 1986	Dec. 1986
<b>TOTAL</b>									
Civilian noninstitutional population .....	179,112	181,363	181,547	179,112	180,828	180,997	181,186	181,363	181,547
Civilian labor force .....	115,780	118,623	118,049	116,333	118,124	118,272	118,414	118,675	118,586
Participation rate .....	64.6	65.4	65.0	64.9	65.3	65.3	65.4	65.4	65.3
Employed .....	108,063	110,751	110,588	108,149	110,067	109,987	110,192	110,432	110,637
Employment-population ratio <sup>2</sup> .....	60.3	61.1	60.9	60.4	60.9	60.8	60.8	60.9	60.9
Unemployed .....	7,717	7,872	7,461	8,184	8,057	8,285	8,222	8,243	7,949
Unemployment rate .....	6.7	6.6	6.3	7.0	6.8	7.0	6.9	6.9	6.7
<b>Men, 20 years and over</b>									
Civilian noninstitutional population .....	77,651	78,874	78,973	77,651	78,634	78,722	78,802	78,874	78,973
Civilian labor force .....	60,379	61,654	61,665	60,545	61,219	61,412	61,409	61,703	61,926
Participation rate .....	77.8	78.2	78.1	78.0	77.9	78.0	77.9	78.2	78.3
Employed .....	56,767	58,019	57,959	56,928	57,585	57,607	57,595	57,883	58,101
Employment-population ratio <sup>2</sup> .....	73.1	73.6	73.4	73.3	73.2	73.2	73.1	73.4	73.6
Agriculture .....	2,115	2,263	2,128	2,280	2,185	2,286	2,297	2,303	2,289
Nonagricultural industries .....	54,652	55,755	55,831	54,648	55,400	55,321	55,298	55,580	55,812
Unemployed .....	3,612	3,636	3,706	3,617	3,634	3,805	3,814	3,820	3,725
Unemployment rate .....	6.0	5.9	6.0	6.0	5.9	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.0
<b>Women, 20 years and over</b>									
Civilian noninstitutional population .....	86,988	87,933	88,016	86,988	87,689	87,779	87,856	87,933	88,016
Civilian labor force .....	48,030	49,458	49,057	47,916	48,950	48,920	49,014	49,043	48,923
Participation rate .....	55.2	56.2	55.7	55.1	55.8	55.7	55.8	55.8	55.6
Employed .....	45,274	46,597	46,512	44,843	45,956	45,905	46,020	46,067	46,058
Employment-population ratio <sup>2</sup> .....	52.0	53.0	52.8	51.6	52.4	52.3	52.4	52.4	52.3
Agriculture .....	521	640	545	594	622	614	612	675	621
Nonagricultural industries .....	44,752	45,958	45,966	44,249	45,334	45,291	45,408	45,392	45,437
Unemployed .....	2,757	2,860	2,546	3,073	2,994	3,015	2,994	2,976	2,865
Unemployment rate .....	5.7	5.8	5.2	6.4	6.1	6.2	6.1	6.1	5.9
<b>Both sexes, 16 to 19 years</b>									
Civilian noninstitutional population .....	14,474	14,557	14,558	14,474	14,505	14,496	14,527	14,557	14,558
Civilian labor force .....	7,370	7,511	7,327	7,872	7,955	7,940	7,991	7,929	7,837
Participation rate .....	50.9	51.6	50.3	54.4	54.8	54.8	55.0	54.5	53.8
Employed .....	6,022	6,135	6,117	6,378	6,526	6,475	6,577	6,482	6,478
Employment-population ratio <sup>2</sup> .....	41.6	42.1	42.0	44.1	45.0	44.7	45.3	44.5	44.5
Agriculture .....	172	174	153	277	250	242	253	237	251
Nonagricultural industries .....	5,850	5,960	5,964	6,101	6,276	6,233	6,324	6,245	6,227
Unemployed .....	1,349	1,376	1,209	1,494	1,429	1,465	1,414	1,447	1,359
Unemployment rate .....	18.3	18.3	16.5	19.0	18.0	18.5	17.7	18.2	17.3

<sup>1</sup> The population figures are not adjusted for seasonal variation; therefore, identical numbers appear in the unadjusted and seasonally adjusted columns.

<sup>2</sup> Civilian employment as a percent of the civilian noninstitutional population.

NOTE: Seasonally adjusted data have been revised based on the experience through December 1986.

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Table A-3. Employment status of the civilian population by race, sex, age, and Hispanic origin

(Numbers in thousands)

Employment status, race, sex, age, and Hispanic origin	Not seasonally adjusted			Seasonally adjusted <sup>1</sup>					
	Dec. 1985	Nov. 1986	Dec. 1986	Dec. 1985	Aug. 1986	Sept. 1986	Oct. 1986	Nov. 1986	Dec. 1986
<b>WHITE</b>									
Civilian noninstitutional population	154,327	155,979	156,111	154,327	155,604	155,723	155,856	155,979	156,111
Civilian labor force	100,090	102,455	101,983	100,617	102,122	102,158	102,297	102,455	102,503
Participation rate	64.9	65.7	65.3	65.2	65.6	65.6	65.6	65.7	65.7
Employed	94,385	96,555	96,388	94,549	96,177	96,000	96,147	96,281	96,533
Employment-population ratio <sup>2</sup>	61.2	61.9	61.7	61.3	61.8	61.6	61.7	61.7	61.8
Unemployed	5,704	5,899	5,596	6,068	5,945	6,158	6,150	6,174	5,970
Unemployment rate	5.7	5.8	5.5	6.0	5.8	6.0	6.0	6.0	5.8
<b>Men, 20 years and over</b>									
Civilian labor force	52,902	53,930	53,970	53,106	53,583	53,727	53,757	54,015	54,172
Participation rate	78.1	78.5	78.5	78.4	78.2	78.4	78.3	78.7	78.8
Employed	50,169	51,163	51,094	50,374	50,877	50,845	50,845	51,089	51,286
Employment-population ratio <sup>2</sup>	74.1	74.5	74.3	74.4	74.3	74.2	74.1	74.4	74.6
Unemployed	2,733	2,768	2,876	2,732	2,706	2,882	2,912	2,926	2,886
Unemployment rate	5.2	5.1	5.3	5.1	5.1	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.3
<b>Women, 20 years and over</b>									
Civilian labor force	40,789	41,951	41,619	40,699	41,640	41,547	41,598	41,540	41,514
Participation rate	54.6	55.6	55.2	54.5	55.4	55.2	55.2	55.1	55.0
Employed	38,795	39,893	39,808	38,453	39,466	39,365	39,431	39,399	39,456
Employment-population ratio <sup>2</sup>	51.9	52.9	52.8	51.4	52.5	52.3	52.3	52.3	52.3
Unemployed	1,994	2,058	1,812	2,246	2,174	2,182	2,167	2,141	2,058
Unemployment rate	4.9	4.9	4.4	5.5	5.2	5.3	5.2	5.2	5.0
<b>Both sexes, 16 to 19 years</b>									
Civilian labor force	6,399	6,573	6,394	6,812	6,899	6,884	6,942	6,900	6,817
Participation rate	53.9	55.2	53.8	57.4	58.1	57.9	58.4	58.0	57.3
Employed	5,422	5,500	5,486	5,722	5,834	5,790	5,871	5,793	5,791
Employment-population ratio <sup>2</sup>	45.7	46.2	46.1	48.2	49.1	48.7	49.4	48.7	48.7
Unemployed	977	1,073	908	1,090	1,065	1,094	1,071	1,107	1,026
Unemployment rate	15.3	16.3	14.2	16.0	15.4	15.9	15.4	16.0	15.1
Men	17.1	16.8	16.1	16.4	16.6	16.6	15.7	16.3	15.5
Women	13.3	15.8	12.3	15.6	14.2	15.1	15.2	15.7	14.6
<b>BLACK</b>									
Civilian noninstitutional population	19,819	20,120	20,152	19,819	20,028	20,056	20,089	20,120	20,152
Civilian labor force	12,445	12,695	12,598	12,559	12,553	12,652	12,720	12,719	12,707
Participation rate	62.8	63.1	62.5	63.4	62.7	63.1	63.3	63.2	63.1
Employed	10,681	10,946	10,980	10,679	10,716	10,799	10,895	10,910	10,968
Employment-population ratio <sup>2</sup>	53.9	54.4	54.5	53.9	53.5	53.8	54.2	54.2	54.4
Unemployed	1,764	1,749	1,618	1,880	1,837	1,853	1,825	1,809	1,739
Unemployment rate	14.2	13.8	12.8	15.0	14.6	14.6	14.3	14.2	13.7
<b>Men, 20 years and over</b>									
Civilian labor force	5,796	5,951	5,932	5,813	5,885	5,906	5,932	5,934	5,947
Participation rate	74.2	74.8	74.3	74.4	74.2	74.4	74.6	74.5	74.5
Employed	5,044	5,209	5,249	5,044	5,110	5,116	5,153	5,171	5,244
Employment-population ratio <sup>2</sup>	64.6	65.4	65.8	64.6	64.5	64.5	64.8	65.0	65.7
Unemployed	752	742	683	769	775	790	779	763	703
Unemployment rate	13.0	12.5	11.5	13.2	13.2	13.4	13.1	12.9	11.8
<b>Women, 20 years and over</b>									
Civilian labor force	5,835	5,977	5,908	5,842	5,841	5,872	5,909	5,943	5,907
Participation rate	59.2	59.7	58.9	59.2	58.6	58.8	59.1	59.3	58.9
Employed	5,169	5,238	5,251	5,108	5,112	5,145	5,178	5,200	5,182
Employment-population ratio <sup>2</sup>	52.4	52.3	52.4	51.8	51.3	51.5	51.8	51.9	51.7
Unemployed	667	738	657	734	729	727	731	743	725
Unemployment rate	11.4	12.4	11.1	12.6	12.5	12.4	12.4	12.5	12.3
<b>Both sexes, 16 to 19 years</b>									
Civilian labor force	814	767	758	904	827	874	879	842	853
Participation rate	37.9	35.8	35.4	42.1	38.8	40.9	41.1	39.3	39.8
Employed	469	499	480	527	494	538	564	539	542
Employment-population ratio <sup>2</sup>	21.8	23.3	22.4	24.5	23.1	25.2	26.3	25.1	25.3
Unemployed	345	269	279	377	333	336	315	303	311
Unemployment rate	42.4	35.0	36.8	41.7	40.3	38.4	35.8	36.0	36.5
Men	43.4	35.6	38.3	40.9	38.8	38.6	37.8	35.0	36.1
Women	41.2	34.5	35.2	42.7	41.9	38.3	33.8	37.0	36.9
<b>HISPANIC ORIGIN</b>									
Civilian noninstitutional population	12,111	12,505	12,540	12,111	12,397	12,432	12,469	12,505	12,540
Civilian labor force	7,694	8,253	8,235	7,777	8,130	8,179	8,200	8,226	8,320
Participation rate	63.5	66.0	65.7	64.2	65.6	65.8	65.8	65.8	66.3
Employed	6,923	7,476	7,406	6,964	7,248	7,286	7,345	7,437	7,446
Employment-population ratio <sup>2</sup>	57.2	59.8	59.1	57.5	58.5	58.6	58.9	59.5	59.4
Unemployed	772	777	829	813	882	893	855	789	874
Unemployment rate	10.0	9.4	10.1	10.5	10.8	10.9	10.4	9.6	10.5

<sup>1</sup> The population figures are not adjusted for seasonal variation; therefore, identical numbers appear in the unadjusted and seasonally adjusted columns.

<sup>2</sup> Civilian employment as a percent of the civilian noninstitutional population.

NOTE: Detail for the above race and Hispanic-origin groups will not sum to totals because data for the "other races" group are not presented and Hispanics are included in both the white and black population groups. Seasonally adjusted data have been revised based on the experience through December 1986.

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Table A-4. Selected employment indicators

(Numbers in thousands)

Category	Not seasonally adjusted			Seasonally adjusted					
	Dec. 1985	Nov. 1986	Dec. 1986	Dec. 1985	Aug. 1986	Sep. 1986	Oct. 1986	Nov. 1986	Dec. 1986
<b>CHARACTERISTIC</b>									
Civilian employed, 16 years and over .....	108,063	110,751	110,588	108,149	110,067	109,987	110,192	110,432	110,637
Married men, spouse present .....	39,194	40,099	40,055	39,254	39,735	39,691	39,780	39,952	40,093
Married women, spouse present .....	27,242	27,954	27,895	26,777	27,388	27,249	27,323	27,333	27,400
Women who maintain families .....	5,659	5,965	5,965	5,697	5,832	5,926	6,016	6,041	6,005
<b>MAJOR INDUSTRY AND CLASS OF WORKER</b>									
<b>Agriculture:</b>									
Wage and salary workers .....	1,336	1,489	1,417	1,545	1,509	1,521	1,562	1,582	1,621
Self-employed workers .....	1,341	1,410	1,292	1,447	1,387	1,460	1,451	1,425	1,400
Unpaid family workers .....	131	179	117	168	174	159	164	198	152
<b>Nonagricultural Industries:</b>									
Wage and salary workers .....	97,160	99,127	99,430	96,912	98,586	98,692	98,846	98,869	99,164
Government .....	16,315	16,602	16,588	16,177	16,446	16,333	16,264	16,457	16,443
Private industries .....	80,844	82,526	82,842	80,735	82,140	82,359	82,582	82,412	82,721
Private households .....	1,122	1,145	1,167	1,141	1,247	1,229	1,216	1,183	1,189
Other industries .....	79,722	81,381	81,675	79,594	80,893	81,130	81,366	81,229	81,532
Self-employed workers .....	7,837	8,292	8,088	7,817	7,956	7,939	7,993	8,179	8,056
Unpaid family workers .....	257	254	243	254	271	275	265	252	239
<b>PERSONS AT WORK PART TIME<sup>1</sup></b>									
<b>All Industries:</b>									
Part time for economic reasons .....	5,402	5,414	5,494	5,505	5,471	5,544	5,740	5,563	5,596
Slack work .....	2,424	2,563	2,506	2,365	2,417	2,472	2,481	2,510	2,444
Could only find part-time work .....	2,718	2,546	2,758	2,838	2,741	2,772	2,826	2,714	2,867
Voluntary part time .....	14,587	15,185	14,805	13,640	13,981	13,922	14,178	14,021	13,877
<b>Nonagricultural Industries:</b>									
Part time for economic reasons .....	5,172	5,176	5,226	5,292	5,269	5,303	5,450	5,319	5,342
Slack work .....	2,256	2,409	2,313	2,233	2,283	2,314	2,314	2,366	2,286
Could only find part-time work .....	2,655	2,478	2,689	2,740	2,678	2,710	2,739	2,626	2,765
Voluntary part time .....	14,204	14,759	14,449	13,196	13,606	13,520	13,736	13,567	13,455

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

NOTE: Seasonally adjusted data have been revised based on the experience through December 1986.

Table A-5. Range of unemployment measures based on varying definitions of unemployment and the labor force, seasonally adjusted

(Percent)

Measure	Quarterly averages					Monthly data		
	1985		1986			1986		
	IV	I	II	III	IV	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
U-1 Persons unemployed 15 weeks or longer as a percent of the civilian labor force .....	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.8	1.8	1.9	1.8
U-2 Job losers as a percent of the civilian labor force .....	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.4	3.3	3.4	3.3	3.3
U-3 Unemployed persons 25 years and over as a percent of the civilian labor force .....	5.4	5.5	5.5	5.4	5.4	5.5	5.5	5.2
U-4 Unemployed full-time jobseekers as a percent of the full-time civilian labor force .....	6.7	6.7	6.8	6.6	6.5	6.6	6.6	6.3
U-5a Total unemployed as a percent of the labor force, including the resident Armed Forces .....	7.0	7.0	7.0	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.6
U-5b Total unemployed as a percent of the civilian labor force .....	7.1	7.1	7.1	6.9	6.9	6.9	6.9	6.7
U-6 Total full-time jobseekers plus ½ part-time jobseekers plus ½ total on part time for economic reasons as a percent of the civilian labor force less ½ of the part-time labor force .....	9.5	9.4	9.6	9.3	9.2	9.4	9.3	9.1
U-7 Total full-time jobseekers plus ½ part-time jobseekers plus ½ total on part time for economic reasons plus discouraged workers as a percent of the civilian labor force plus discouraged workers less ½ of the part-time labor force .....	10.4	10.4	10.5	10.2	10.2	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.

N.A. = not available.

NOTE: Data have been revised based on the experience through December 1986.

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Table A-6. Selected unemployment indicators, seasonally adjusted

Category	Number of unemployed persons (in thousands)			Unemployment rates <sup>1</sup>					
	Dec. 1985	Nov. 1986	Dec. 1986	Dec. 1985	Aug. 1986	Sept. 1986	Oct. 1986	Nov. 1986	Dec. 1986
<b>CHARACTERISTIC</b>									
Total, 16 years and over .....	8,184	8,243	7,949	7.0	6.8	7.0	6.9	6.9	6.7
Men, 16 years and over .....	4,411	4,574	4,439	6.8	6.8	7.0	7.0	6.9	6.7
Men, 20 years and over .....	3,617	3,820	3,725	6.0	5.9	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.0
Women, 16 years and over .....	3,773	3,669	3,510	7.3	6.9	7.0	6.9	6.9	6.7
Women, 20 years and over .....	3,073	2,976	2,865	6.4	6.1	6.2	6.1	6.1	5.9
Both sexes, 16 to 19 years .....	1,494	1,447	1,359	19.0	18.0	18.5	17.7	18.2	17.3
Married men, spouse present .....	1,766	1,862	1,822	4.3	4.2	4.3	4.6	4.5	4.3
Married women, spouse present .....	1,514	1,429	1,378	5.4	5.1	5.1	5.0	5.0	4.8
Women who maintain families .....	606	650	656	9.6	10.1	9.8	8.9	9.7	9.8
Full-time workers .....	6,668	6,673	6,465	6.7	6.4	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.3
Part-time workers .....	1,498	1,538	1,459	9.1	9.3	9.3	9.2	9.1	8.8
Labor force time lost <sup>2</sup> .....	--	--	--	7.9	7.7	7.9	7.8	7.7	7.6
<b>INDUSTRY</b>									
Nonagricultural private wage and salary workers .....	6,098	6,190	5,989	7.0	6.9	7.0	7.0	7.0	6.8
Mining .....	103	136	133	10.2	16.6	13.9	14.5	14.5	14.1
Construction .....	764	955	834	12.6	12.4	12.9	13.8	15.1	13.7
Manufacturing .....	1,603	1,541	1,504	7.3	6.9	7.0	7.3	7.1	6.9
Durable goods .....	965	860	841	7.3	6.8	6.5	7.2	6.6	6.4
Nondurable goods .....	638	681	663	7.3	6.9	7.7	7.3	7.9	7.7
Transportation and public utilities .....	320	272	290	5.1	4.8	4.7	5.2	4.4	4.6
Wholesale and retail trade .....	1,712	1,621	1,632	7.7	7.5	7.6	7.4	7.2	7.2
Finance and service industries .....	1,596	1,665	1,596	5.4	5.6	5.6	5.4	5.4	5.1
Government workers .....	652	611	569	3.9	3.3	3.5	3.7	3.6	3.3
Agricultural wage and salary workers .....	185	177	211	10.7	13.3	12.9	11.9	10.1	11.5

<sup>1</sup> Unemployment as a percent of the civilian labor force.

reasons as a percent of potentially available labor force hours.

<sup>2</sup> Aggregate hours lost by the unemployed and persons on part time for economic

NOTE: Data have been revised based on the experience through December 1986.

Table A-7. Duration of unemployment

(Numbers in thousands)

Weeks of unemployment	Not seasonally adjusted			Seasonally adjusted					
	Dec. 1985	Nov. 1986	Dec. 1986	Dec. 1985	Aug. 1986	Sept. 1986	Oct. 1986	Nov. 1986	Dec. 1986
<b>DURATION</b>									
Less than 5 weeks .....	3,053	3,281	2,972	3,417	3,436	3,415	3,418	3,382	3,355
5 to 14 weeks .....	2,577	2,597	2,443	2,507	2,407	2,524	2,563	2,613	2,389
15 weeks and over .....	2,088	1,994	2,046	2,209	2,272	2,373	2,168	2,217	2,171
15 to 26 weeks .....	943	914	954	1,005	1,068	1,110	950	1,045	1,023
27 weeks and over .....	1,145	1,080	1,092	1,204	1,204	1,263	1,218	1,172	1,148
Average (mean) duration, in weeks .....	15.5	15.0	15.4	15.2	15.6	15.5	15.2	14.8	15.0
Median duration, in weeks .....	7.2	6.8	7.5	6.8	7.1	7.1	7.0	7.0	7.1
<b>PERCENT DISTRIBUTION</b>									
Total unemployed .....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Less than 5 weeks .....	39.6	41.7	39.8	42.0	42.3	41.1	41.9	41.2	42.4
5 to 14 weeks .....	33.4	33.0	32.7	30.8	29.7	30.4	31.5	31.8	30.2
15 weeks and over .....	27.1	25.3	27.4	27.2	28.0	28.5	26.6	27.0	27.4
15 to 26 weeks .....	12.2	11.6	12.8	12.4	13.2	13.4	11.7	12.7	12.9
27 weeks and over .....	14.8	13.7	14.6	14.8	14.8	15.2	14.9	14.3	14.5

NOTE: Seasonally adjusted data have been revised based on the experience through December 1986.

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Table A-8. Reason for unemployment

(Numbers in thousands)

Reason	Not seasonally adjusted			Seasonally adjusted					
	Dec. 1985	Nov. 1986	Dec. 1986	Dec. 1985	Aug. 1986	Sept. 1986	Oct. 1986	Nov. 1986	Dec. 1986
<b>NUMBER OF UNEMPLOYED</b>									
Job losers .....	4,063	3,773	3,936	3,996	3,824	4,044	3,984	3,947	3,890
On layoff .....	1,190	986	1,126	1,135	1,017	1,029	1,072	1,073	1,078
Other job losers .....	2,873	2,787	2,810	2,861	2,807	3,015	2,912	2,874	2,812
Job leavers .....	813	1,090	929	902	990	1,041	1,027	1,056	1,036
Reentrants .....	2,010	2,035	1,795	2,251	2,199	2,145	2,190	2,119	2,019
New entrants .....	832	975	801	1,042	1,014	1,038	972	1,076	1,015
<b>PERCENT DISTRIBUTION</b>									
Total unemployed .....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Job losers .....	52.6	47.9	52.8	48.8	47.6	48.9	48.7	48.1	48.9
On layoff .....	15.4	12.5	15.1	13.9	12.7	12.4	13.1	13.1	13.5
Other job losers .....	37.2	35.4	37.7	34.9	35.0	36.5	35.6	35.1	35.3
Job leavers .....	10.5	13.8	12.5	11.0	12.3	12.6	12.6	12.9	13.0
Reentrants .....	26.0	25.8	24.1	27.5	27.4	25.9	26.8	25.8	25.4
New entrants .....	10.8	12.4	10.7	12.7	12.6	12.6	11.9	13.1	12.8
<b>UNEMPLOYED AS A PERCENT OF THE CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE</b>									
Job losers .....	3.5	3.1	3.4	3.4	3.2	3.4	3.4	3.3	3.3
Job leavers .....	.7	.9	.8	.8	.8	.9	.9	.9	.9
Reentrants .....	1.7	1.7	1.5	1.9	1.9	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.7
New entrants .....	.7	.8	.7	.9	.9	.9	.8	.9	.9

NOTE: Seasonally adjusted data have been revised based on the experience through December 1986.

Table A-9. Unemployed persons by sex and age, seasonally adjusted

Sex and age	Number of unemployed persons (in thousands)			Unemployment rates <sup>1</sup>					
	Dec. 1985	Nov. 1986	Dec. 1986	Dec. 1985	Aug. 1986	Sept. 1986	Oct. 1986	Nov. 1986	Dec. 1986
Total, 16 years and over .....	8,184	8,243	7,949	7.0	6.8	7.0	6.9	6.9	6.7
16 to 24 years .....	3,159	3,005	2,986	13.4	12.9	13.6	13.0	12.9	12.9
16 to 19 years .....	1,494	1,447	1,359	19.0	18.0	18.5	17.7	18.2	17.3
16 to 17 years .....	668	686	629	21.2	19.8	20.0	19.3	20.6	18.8
18 to 19 years .....	833	768	737	17.6	16.8	17.2	16.5	16.7	16.3
20 to 24 years .....	1,665	1,558	1,627	10.7	10.3	11.1	10.5	10.2	10.7
25 years and over .....	5,034	5,230	4,961	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.5	5.5	5.2
25 to 54 years .....	4,417	4,630	4,422	5.7	5.7	5.6	5.7	5.8	5.5
55 years and over .....	585	571	527	3.9	3.7	4.0	4.1	3.8	3.5
Men, 16 years and over .....	4,411	4,574	4,439	6.8	6.8	7.0	7.0	6.9	6.7
16 to 24 years .....	1,675	1,635	1,623	13.6	13.3	14.3	13.2	13.4	13.4
16 to 19 years .....	794	754	714	19.5	19.1	19.1	18.2	18.3	17.8
16 to 17 years .....	362	366	325	21.8	20.9	21.0	19.8	21.3	19.1
18 to 19 years .....	437	388	395	18.0	18.0	17.5	17.0	16.2	17.0
20 to 24 years .....	881	881	909	10.7	10.3	11.9	10.7	10.9	11.3
25 years and over .....	2,730	2,931	2,809	5.2	5.3	5.4	5.5	5.5	5.2
25 to 54 years .....	2,383	2,568	2,462	5.5	5.6	5.5	5.7	5.7	5.5
55 years and over .....	346	361	351	3.9	4.1	4.2	4.4	4.1	4.0
Women, 16 years and over .....	3,773	3,669	3,510	7.3	6.9	7.0	6.9	6.9	6.7
16 to 24 years .....	1,484	1,370	1,363	13.2	12.4	12.8	12.7	12.4	12.4
16 to 19 years .....	700	693	645	18.5	16.7	17.7	17.2	18.2	16.8
16 to 17 years .....	306	320	304	20.5	18.7	18.8	18.6	19.8	18.4
18 to 19 years .....	396	380	342	17.2	15.4	16.9	16.0	17.2	15.7
20 to 24 years .....	784	677	718	10.6	10.2	10.2	10.3	9.4	10.0
25 years and over .....	2,304	2,299	2,152	5.7	5.4	5.5	5.4	5.5	5.2
25 to 54 years .....	2,034	2,062	1,960	5.9	5.8	5.8	5.7	5.8	5.5
55 years and over .....	239	210	176	3.9	3.3	3.6	3.6	3.4	2.9

<sup>1</sup> Unemployment as a percent of the civilian labor force.

NOTE: Data have been revised based on the experience through December 1986.

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Table A-10. Employment status of black and other workers

(Numbers in thousands)

Employment status	Not seasonally adjusted			Seasonally adjusted <sup>1</sup>					
	Dec. 1985	Nov. 1986	Dec. 1986	Dec. 1985	Aug. 1986	Sept. 1986	Oct. 1986	Nov. 1986	Dec. 1986
Civilian noninstitutional population .....	24,785	25,385	25,436	24,785	25,224	25,274	25,330	25,385	25,436
Civilian labor force .....	15,690	16,169	16,065	15,786	15,957	16,072	16,148	16,192	16,157
Participation rate .....	63.3	63.7	63.2	63.7	63.3	63.6	63.8	63.8	63.5
Employed .....	13,677	14,195	14,200	13,655	13,861	13,964	14,097	14,137	14,170
Employment-population ratio <sup>2</sup> .....	55.2	55.9	55.8	55.1	55.0	55.3	55.7	55.7	55.7
Unemployed .....	2,013	1,973	1,865	2,131	2,096	2,108	2,051	2,055	1,987
Unemployment rate .....	12.8	12.2	11.6	13.5	13.1	13.1	12.7	12.7	12.3
Not in labor force .....	9,095	9,216	9,371	8,999	9,267	9,202	9,182	9,193	9,279

<sup>1</sup> The population figures are not adjusted for seasonal variation; therefore, identical numbers appear in the unadjusted and seasonally adjusted columns.

<sup>2</sup> Civilian employment as a percent of the civilian noninstitutional population.

NOTE: Seasonally adjusted data have been revised based on the experience through December 1986.

Table A-11. Occupational status of the employed and unemployed, not seasonally adjusted

(Numbers in thousands)

Occupation	Civilian employed		Unemployed		Unemployment rate	
	Dec. 1985	Dec. 1986	Dec. 1985	Dec. 1986	Dec. 1985	Dec. 1986
Total, 16 years and over <sup>1</sup> .....	108,063	110,588	7,717	7,461	6.7	6.3
Managerial and professional specialty .....	26,231	27,325	548	584	2.0	2.1
Executive, administrative, and managerial .....	12,287	12,869	293	287	2.3	2.2
Professional specialty .....	13,943	14,457	255	297	1.8	2.0
Technical, sales, and administrative support .....	33,997	35,016	1,496	1,421	4.2	3.9
Technicians and related support .....	3,366	3,330	106	107	3.1	3.1
Sales occupations .....	13,036	13,853	645	586	4.7	4.1
Administrative support, including clerical .....	17,595	17,833	745	728	4.1	3.9
Service occupations .....	14,787	14,886	1,450	1,302	8.9	8.0
Private household .....	955	990	72	68	7.0	6.5
Protective service .....	1,800	1,872	100	116	5.3	5.8
Service, except private household and protective .....	12,031	12,024	1,278	1,117	9.6	8.5
Precision production, craft, and repair .....	13,176	13,449	1,022	963	7.2	6.7
Mechanics and repairers .....	4,383	4,282	245	236	5.3	5.2
Construction trades .....	4,826	4,925	519	482	9.7	8.9
Other precision production, craft, and repair .....	3,967	4,242	258	246	6.1	5.5
Operators, fabricators, and laborers .....	16,987	17,020	2,023	2,063	10.6	10.8
Machine operators, assemblers, and inspectors .....	7,933	7,689	907	876	10.3	10.2
Transportation and material moving occupations .....	4,479	4,652	448	446	9.1	8.8
Handlers, equipment cleaners, helpers, and laborers .....	4,575	4,679	669	741	12.8	13.7
Construction laborers .....	648	658	174	208	21.2	24.1
Other handlers, equipment cleaners, helpers, and laborers .....	3,927	4,021	495	533	11.2	11.7
Farming, forestry, and fishing .....	2,886	2,892	301	288	9.4	9.1

<sup>1</sup> Persons with no previous work experience and those whose last job was in the Armed Forces are included in the unemployed total.

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Table A-12. Employment status of male Vietnam-era veterans and nonveterans by age, not seasonally adjusted

(Numbers in thousands)

Veteran status and age	Civilian noninstitutional population		Civilian labor force							
			Total		Employed		Unemployed			
							Number		Percent of labor force	
	Dec. 1985	Dec. 1986	Dec. 1985	Dec. 1986	Dec. 1985	Dec. 1986	Dec. 1985	Dec. 1986	Dec. 1985	Dec. 1986
<b>VIETNAM-ERA VETERANS</b>										
Total, 30 years and over .....	7,675	7,792	7,158	7,256	6,768	6,901	390	355	5.4	4.9
30 to 44 years .....	6,426	6,314	6,179	6,043	5,835	5,721	344	322	5.6	5.3
30 to 34 years .....	1,293	1,045	1,241	990	1,138	911	103	79	8.3	8.0
35 to 39 years .....	3,181	2,857	3,074	2,746	2,900	2,602	174	144	5.7	5.2
40 to 44 years .....	1,952	2,412	1,864	2,307	1,797	2,208	67	99	3.6	4.3
45 years and over .....	1,249	1,478	979	1,213	933	1,180	46	33	4.7	2.7
<b>NONVETERANS</b>										
Total, 30 to 44 years .....	17,707	18,886	16,713	17,841	15,808	16,901	905	940	5.4	5.3
30 to 34 years .....	8,063	8,653	7,664	8,220	7,234	7,759	430	461	5.6	5.6
35 to 39 years .....	5,303	5,946	4,985	5,609	4,718	5,307	267	302	5.4	5.4
40 to 44 years .....	4,341	4,287	4,064	4,012	3,856	3,835	208	177	5.1	4.4

NOTE: Male Vietnam-era veterans are men who served in the Armed Forces between August 5, 1964 and May 7, 1975. Nonveterans are men who have never served in the Arm-

ed Forces; published data are limited to those 30 to 44 years of age, the group that most closely corresponds to the bulk of the Vietnam-era veteran population.



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Table A-13. Employment status of the civilian population for eleven large States

(Numbers in thousands)

State and employment status	Not seasonally adjusted <sup>1</sup>			Seasonally adjusted <sup>2</sup>					
	Dec. 1985	Nov. 1986	Dec. 1986	Dec. 1985	Aug. 1986	Sept. 1986	Oct. 1986	Nov. 1986	Dec. 1986
<b>California</b>									
Civilian noninstitutional population .....	19,771	20,155	20,191	19,771	20,047	20,081	20,119	20,155	20,191
Civilian labor force .....	12,923	13,465	13,308	12,951	13,334	13,430	13,424	13,476	13,368
Employed .....	12,113	12,585	12,470	12,086	12,451	12,570	12,537	12,558	12,467
Unemployed .....	810	880	838	865	883	860	887	918	901
Unemployment rate .....	6.3	6.5	6.3	6.7	6.6	6.4	6.6	6.8	6.7
<b>Florida</b>									
Civilian noninstitutional population .....	9,017	9,244	9,266	9,017	9,181	9,202	9,223	9,244	9,266
Civilian labor force .....	5,391	5,694	5,710	5,380	5,613	5,540	5,656	5,708	5,704
Employed .....	5,091	5,375	5,446	5,081	5,277	5,204	5,348	5,387	5,437
Unemployed .....	300	319	263	299	336	336	308	321	267
Unemployment rate .....	5.6	5.6	4.6	5.6	6.0	6.1	5.4	5.6	4.7
<b>Illinois</b>									
Civilian noninstitutional population .....	8,658	8,683	8,686	8,658	8,675	8,677	8,680	8,683	8,686
Civilian labor force .....	5,659	5,644	5,626	5,685	5,732	5,760	5,695	5,639	5,646
Employed .....	5,187	5,251	5,235	5,187	5,266	5,283	5,270	5,222	5,231
Unemployed .....	472	392	391	498	466	477	425	417	415
Unemployment rate .....	8.3	6.9	7.0	8.8	8.1	8.3	7.5	7.4	7.4
<b>Massachusetts</b>									
Civilian noninstitutional population .....	4,566	4,599	4,603	4,566	4,590	4,593	4,596	4,599	4,603
Civilian labor force .....	3,061	3,079	3,085	3,060	3,119	3,083	3,069	3,059	3,084
Employed .....	2,943	2,967	2,989	2,936	2,998	2,955	2,950	2,930	2,983
Unemployed .....	118	112	96	124	121	128	119	129	101
Unemployment rate .....	3.9	3.6	3.1	4.1	3.9	4.2	3.9	4.2	3.3
<b>Michigan</b>									
Civilian noninstitutional population .....	6,821	6,871	6,877	6,821	6,857	6,861	6,866	6,871	6,877
Civilian labor force .....	4,355	4,463	4,470	4,417	4,348	4,369	4,440	4,479	4,508
Employed .....	4,026	4,104	4,130	4,072	3,992	3,978	4,058	4,101	4,151
Unemployed .....	329	359	340	345	356	391	382	378	357
Unemployment rate .....	7.6	8.0	7.6	7.8	8.2	8.9	8.6	8.4	7.9
<b>New Jersey</b>									
Civilian noninstitutional population .....	5,916	5,965	5,970	5,916	5,951	5,955	5,960	5,965	5,970
Civilian labor force .....	3,845	3,902	3,866	3,886	3,927	3,936	3,896	3,933	3,905
Employed .....	3,637	3,743	3,714	3,661	3,744	3,750	3,680	3,760	3,738
Unemployed .....	208	159	152	225	183	186	216	173	167
Unemployment rate .....	5.4	4.1	3.9	5.8	4.7	4.7	5.5	4.4	4.3
<b>New York</b>									
Civilian noninstitutional population .....	13,705	13,749	13,754	13,705	13,735	13,739	13,744	13,749	13,754
Civilian labor force .....	8,448	8,407	8,458	8,477	8,366	8,449	8,388	8,370	8,456
Employed .....	7,949	7,957	7,998	7,934	7,867	7,937	7,919	7,890	7,949
Unemployed .....	500	450	460	543	499	512	469	480	507
Unemployment rate .....	5.9	5.3	5.4	6.4	6.0	6.1	5.6	5.7	6.0
<b>North Carolina</b>									
Civilian noninstitutional population .....	4,692	4,770	4,777	4,692	4,748	4,755	4,762	4,770	4,777
Civilian labor force .....	3,191	3,194	3,209	3,215	3,194	3,195	3,196	3,189	3,220
Employed .....	3,057	3,021	3,054	3,067	3,028	3,021	3,035	3,017	3,047
Unemployed .....	134	173	155	148	166	174	161	172	173
Unemployment rate .....	4.2	5.4	4.8	4.6	5.2	5.4	5.0	5.4	5.4
<b>Ohio</b>									
Civilian noninstitutional population .....	8,080	8,108	8,111	8,080	8,099	8,101	8,105	8,108	8,111
Civilian labor force .....	5,156	5,279	5,256	5,186	5,161	5,158	5,204	5,266	5,290
Employed .....	4,721	4,891	4,839	4,749	4,740	4,720	4,803	4,887	4,872
Unemployed .....	436	388	418	437	421	438	401	379	418
Unemployment rate .....	8.5	7.3	7.9	8.4	8.2	8.5	7.7	7.2	7.9
<b>Pennsylvania</b>									
Civilian noninstitutional population .....	9,191	9,186	9,187	9,191	9,186	9,186	9,186	9,186	9,187
Civilian labor force .....	5,545	5,561	5,439	5,536	5,652	5,633	5,559	5,497	5,459
Employed .....	5,139	5,229	5,182	5,104	5,277	5,242	5,206	5,149	5,180
Unemployed .....	405	332	256	432	375	391	353	348	279
Unemployment rate .....	7.3	6.0	4.7	7.8	6.6	6.9	6.4	6.3	5.1
<b>Texas</b>									
Civilian noninstitutional population .....	11,806	11,980	11,996	11,806	11,931	11,946	11,963	11,980	11,996
Civilian labor force .....	7,994	8,215	8,254	8,049	8,068	8,130	8,241	8,245	8,303
Employed .....	7,489	7,489	7,535	7,489	7,328	7,400	7,460	7,461	7,507
Unemployed .....	505	726	719	560	740	730	781	784	796
Unemployment rate .....	6.3	8.8	8.7	7.0	9.2	9.0	9.5	9.5	9.6

<sup>1</sup> These are the official Bureau of Labor Statistics' estimates used in the administration of Federal fund allocation programs.

<sup>2</sup> The population figures are not adjusted for seasonal variation; therefore, identical numbers appear in the unadjusted and the seasonally adjusted columns.

NOTE: Revised seasonal factors are not yet available for State data. The seasonally adjusted series will be revised for the release of January data on February 6.

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Table A-14. Persons not in labor force by reason, sex, and race, quarterly averages

(In thousands)

Reason, sex, and race	Not seasonally adjusted		Seasonally adjusted				
	1985	1986	1985		1986		
	IV	IV	IV	I	II	III	IV
<b>TOTAL</b>							
Total not in labor force .....	62,867	62,908	62,754	62,817	62,693	62,664	62,807
Do not want a job now .....	57,019	57,219	56,744	57,193	56,838	56,865	57,013
Current activity:							
Going to school .....	8,048	8,075	6,316	6,249	6,513	6,189	6,330
Ill, disabled .....	3,816	3,773	3,969	4,189	4,040	4,087	3,928
Keeping house .....	26,738	25,907	26,839	26,796	26,487	26,176	26,000
Retired .....	14,970	15,781	15,234	15,133	15,326	15,885	16,069
Other .....	3,447	3,683	4,386	4,826	4,471	4,528	4,686
Want a job now .....	5,847	5,690	5,961	5,789	5,882	5,980	5,808
Reason not looking:							
School attendance .....	1,432	1,378	1,483	1,416	1,379	1,578	1,427
Ill health, disability .....	930	817	854	835	898	903	746
Home responsibilities .....	1,283	1,277	1,360	1,365	1,311	1,203	1,347
Think cannot get a job .....	1,149	1,120	1,158	1,107	1,119	1,150	1,127
Job-market factors <sup>1</sup> .....	744	794	792	765	761	736	851
Personal factors <sup>2</sup> .....	406	326	365	343	358	414	277
Other reasons <sup>3</sup> .....	1,053	1,097	1,107	1,065	1,175	1,145	1,160
<b>Men</b>							
Total not in labor force .....	20,470	20,773	20,155	20,225	20,347	20,460	20,454
Do not want a job now .....	18,529	18,807	18,143	18,350	18,441	18,382	18,454
Want a job now .....	1,942	1,965	1,995	1,940	1,948	2,087	2,026
Reason not looking:							
School attendance .....	679	647	709	726	667	824	680
Ill health, disability .....	436	396	401	364	471	438	359
Think cannot get a job .....	474	483	492	438	392	425	497
Other reasons <sup>3</sup> .....	352	440	393	412	418	399	490
<b>Women</b>							
Total not in labor force .....	42,396	42,136	42,598	42,593	42,346	42,204	42,354
Do not want a job now .....	38,490	38,411	38,601	38,843	38,396	38,482	38,559
Want a job now .....	3,906	3,724	3,966	3,849	3,933	3,893	3,782
Reason not looking:							
School attendance .....	753	731	774	690	711	754	747
Ill health, disability .....	494	421	453	471	426	465	387
Home responsibilities .....	1,283	1,277	1,360	1,365	1,311	1,203	1,347
Think cannot get a job .....	675	637	666	669	727	725	630
Other reasons .....	700	658	713	653	757	746	670
<b>White</b>							
Total not in labor force .....	53,778	53,668	53,668	53,767	53,674	53,511	53,564
Do not want a job now .....	49,528	49,575	49,317	49,506	49,387	49,208	49,367
Want a job now .....	4,251	4,094	4,382	4,265	4,352	4,298	4,217
Reason not looking:							
School attendance .....	1,007	937	1,052	994	975	1,065	975
Ill health, disability .....	652	583	604	625	618	625	536
Home responsibilities .....	971	940	1,009	1,020	1,032	898	975
Think cannot get a job .....	745	772	808	749	741	780	817
Other reasons .....	855	862	910	876	985	931	914
<b>Black</b>							
Total not in labor force .....	7,367	7,449	7,317	7,274	7,238	7,423	7,405
Do not want a job now .....	5,973	6,056	5,930	5,947	5,937	6,027	6,020
Want a job now .....	1,394	1,393	1,397	1,353	1,299	1,425	1,423
Reason not looking:							
School attendance .....	351	380	348	386	333	460	381
Ill health, disability .....	259	209	235	211	220	248	192
Home responsibilities .....	260	281	295	287	270	263	318
Think cannot get a job .....	357	302	345	321	296	275	291
Other reasons .....	167	221	174	147	180	179	241

<sup>1</sup> Job market factors include "could not find job" and "thinks no job available."<sup>2</sup> Personal factors include "employers think too young or old," "lacks education or training," and

"other personal handicap."

<sup>3</sup> Includes small number of men not looking for work because of home responsibilities.

NOTE: Seasonally adjusted data have been revised based on the experience through December 1986.

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Table B-1. Employees on nonagricultural payrolls by industry

(In thousands)

Industry	Not seasonally adjusted				Seasonally adjusted					
	Dec. 1985	Oct. 1986	Nov. 1986	Dec. 1986	Dec. 1985	Aug. 1986	Sept. 1986	Oct. 1986	Nov. 1986	Dec. 1986
<b>Total</b> .....	99,546	101,595	101,874	101,991	98,910	100,283	100,560	100,826	101,065	101,334
<b>Total private</b> .....	82,686	84,554	84,661	84,810	82,281	83,655	83,786	83,956	84,168	84,384
<b>Goods-producing</b> .....	24,894	25,256	25,106	24,854	24,977	24,888	24,858	24,865	24,895	24,932
<b>Mining</b> .....	901	747	747	738	901	753	743	746	743	738
Oil and gas extraction .....	569.7	422.7	424.4	421.7	560	431	422	423	421	414
<b>Construction</b> .....	4,721	5,271	5,143	4,934	4,787	5,012	5,010	5,001	4,993	5,004
General building contractors .....	1,278.0	1,360.7	1,337.3	1,287.2	1,287	1,306	1,301	1,302	1,305	1,296
<b>Manufacturing</b> .....	19,272	19,238	19,216	19,182	19,289	19,123	19,105	19,118	19,159	19,190
Production workers .....	13,085	13,089	13,079	13,057	13,100	12,971	12,960	12,974	13,022	13,065
<b>Durable goods</b> .....	11,457	11,312	11,310	11,299	11,461	11,302	11,271	11,266	11,283	11,298
Production workers .....	7,592	7,478	7,484	7,481	7,595	7,458	7,438	7,435	7,456	7,479
Lumber and wood products .....	696.5	750.3	741.6	735.8	710	729	734	737	742	749
Furniture and fixtures .....	498.8	503.3	505.2	506.1	494	499	500	500	500	501
Stone, clay, and glass products .....	585.4	601.6	595.3	586.0	593	592	594	590	590	593
Primary metal industries .....	796.6	743.2	745.4	747.2	803	751	749	749	752	753
Blast furnaces and basic steel products .....	299.5	266.3	265.1	267.5	303	272	270	272	271	271
Fabricated metal products .....	1,459.2	1,439.0	1,437.2	1,434.6	1,456	1,429	1,433	1,429	1,429	1,430
Machinery, except electrical .....	2,136.5	2,037.2	2,031.7	2,033.7	2,133	2,072	2,044	2,039	2,036	2,032
Electrical and electronic equipment .....	2,184.0	2,169.5	2,166.7	2,163.9	2,182	2,168	2,162	2,167	2,165	2,162
Transportation equipment .....	2,008.9	1,982.8	2,003.1	2,012.3	1,998	1,985	1,979	1,979	1,995	1,998
Motor vehicles and equipment .....	881.2	829.0	842.3	846.2	872	839	834	824	837	835
Instruments and related products .....	725.6	711.8	710.0	711.4	725	713	713	713	709	711
Miscellaneous manufacturing .....	365.5	373.4	373.3	367.9	367	364	363	363	365	369
<b>Nondurable goods</b> .....	7,815	7,926	7,906	7,883	7,828	7,821	7,834	7,852	7,876	7,892
Production workers .....	5,493	5,611	5,595	5,576	5,505	5,513	5,522	5,539	5,566	5,586
Food and kindred products .....	1,612.4	1,691.5	1,666.8	1,641.5	1,623	1,642	1,644	1,644	1,654	1,651
Tobacco manufactures .....	67.0	64.4	62.4	61.0	64	59	60	59	61	58
Textile mill products .....	702.3	716.6	719.5	720.2	702	711	709	711	717	719
Apparel and other textile products .....	1,124.4	1,123.2	1,119.8	1,119.6	1,130	1,108	1,110	1,113	1,113	1,124
Paper and allied products .....	685.5	694.4	695.5	697.8	686	685	691	694	695	698
Printing and publishing .....	1,465.6	1,489.7	1,498.6	1,504.5	1,457	1,481	1,485	1,491	1,493	1,496
Chemicals and allied products .....	1,032.9	1,022.4	1,020.7	1,020.1	1,035	1,026	1,025	1,023	1,023	1,022
Petroleum and coal products .....	167.4	161.7	159.8	157.6	169	163	162	161	160	160
Rubber and miscellaneous plastics products .....	793.7	807.8	808.4	809.0	798	794	797	805	809	813
Leather and leather products .....	164.0	153.8	154.0	151.2	164	152	151	151	151	151
<b>Service-producing</b> .....	74,652	76,339	76,768	77,137	73,933	75,395	75,702	75,961	76,170	76,402
<b>Transportation and public utilities</b> .....	5,307	5,366	5,373	5,389	5,277	5,255	5,316	5,316	5,348	5,358
Transportation .....	3,076	3,144	3,140	3,158	3,046	3,063	3,088	3,094	3,115	3,127
Communication and public utilities .....	2,231	2,222	2,233	2,231	2,231	2,192	2,228	2,222	2,233	2,231
<b>Wholesale trade</b> .....	5,815	5,888	5,881	5,862	5,809	5,863	5,859	5,864	5,864	5,855
Durable goods .....	3,459	3,492	3,495	3,487	3,460	3,485	3,485	3,489	3,492	3,487
Nondurable goods .....	2,356	2,396	2,386	2,375	2,349	2,378	2,374	2,375	2,372	2,368
<b>Retail trade</b> .....	18,201	18,197	18,441	18,787	17,622	18,030	18,065	18,143	18,186	18,187
General merchandise stores .....	2,615.9	2,390.4	2,510.2	2,629.6	2,317	2,359	2,362	2,379	2,359	2,331
Food stores .....	2,907.8	2,971.7	3,004.7	3,040.0	2,870	2,951	2,952	2,963	2,969	2,977
Automotive dealers and service stations .....	1,908.9	1,974.5	1,970.5	1,967.9	1,922	1,962	1,970	1,973	1,976	1,982
Eating and drinking places .....	5,749.6	5,987.7	5,956.6	5,992.9	5,801	5,923	5,948	5,982	6,005	6,047
<b>Finance, insurance, and real estate</b> .....	6,080	6,395	6,416	6,450	6,095	6,364	6,388	6,409	6,431	6,466
Finance .....	3,051	3,202	3,215	3,234	3,053	3,192	3,202	3,212	3,221	3,237
Insurance .....	1,866	1,967	1,978	1,988	1,868	1,952	1,962	1,971	1,980	1,990
Real estate .....	1,163	1,226	1,223	1,228	1,174	1,220	1,224	1,226	1,230	1,239
<b>Services</b> .....	22,389	23,452	23,444	23,468	22,501	23,255	23,300	23,359	23,444	23,586
Business services .....	4,651.5	4,957.2	4,966.6	4,989.5	4,631	4,848	4,883	4,908	4,927	4,970
Health services .....	6,410.5	6,677.1	6,682.9	6,713.0	6,424	6,634	6,649	6,677	6,690	6,726
<b>Government</b> .....	16,860	17,041	17,213	17,181	16,629	16,628	16,774	16,870	16,897	16,950
Federal .....	2,902	2,876	2,879	2,889	2,913	2,875	2,901	2,896	2,899	2,901
State .....	3,974	4,050	4,084	4,065	3,904	3,919	3,932	3,959	3,969	3,993
Local .....	9,984	10,115	10,250	10,227	9,812	9,834	9,941	10,015	10,029	10,056

p = preliminary.

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

Industry	Not seasonally adjusted				Seasonally adjusted					
	Dec. 1985	Oct. 1986	Nov. 1986 p	Dec. 1986 p	Dec. 1985	Aug. 1986	Sept. 1986	Oct. 1986	Nov. 1986 p	Dec. 1986 p
Total private .....	35.2	34.7	34.7	34.9	34.9	34.8	34.7	34.7	34.8	34.6
Mining .....	43.8	42.2	41.7	42.2	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Construction .....	36.9	38.0	36.6	37.0	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Manufacturing .....	41.7	40.8	41.0	41.7	40.9	40.8	40.8	40.7	40.8	40.9
Overtime hours .....	3.8	3.5	3.6	3.9	3.6	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.6
Durable goods .....	42.5	41.3	41.6	42.4	41.6	41.4	41.4	41.3	41.4	41.4
Overtime hours .....	4.1	3.6	3.7	4.1	3.7	3.5	3.6	3.6	3.6	3.7
Lumber and wood products .....	40.2	40.5	40.3	40.5	40.2	40.2	40.1	40.3	40.7	40.4
Furniture and fixtures .....	41.1	40.4	40.1	41.0	39.9	39.9	40.0	39.8	39.7	39.7
Stone, clay, and glass products .....	41.7	42.7	41.9	42.1	41.8	42.5	42.5	42.3	41.9	42.2
Primary metal industries .....	42.6	41.9	42.4	43.5	42.1	41.9	42.0	42.3	42.4	43.0
Blast furnaces and basic steel products .....	42.0	41.5	42.1	43.7	41.9	41.5	41.6	42.3	42.5	43.7
Fabricated metal products .....	42.6	41.3	41.5	42.3	41.6	41.2	41.5	41.2	41.4	41.3
Machinery, except electrical .....	42.9	41.5	41.9	42.8	41.7	41.7	41.7	41.6	41.7	41.6
Electrical and electronic equipment .....	42.2	40.9	41.3	42.0	41.1	41.2	41.2	40.9	40.9	40.9
Transportation equipment .....	44.2	42.0	42.5	43.6	43.0	42.6	42.6	42.1	42.3	42.3
Motor vehicles and equipment .....	45.3	42.1	42.5	44.0	44.0	42.8	42.7	42.1	42.5	42.6
Instruments and related products .....	42.6	40.9	41.5	42.6	41.6	41.0	40.7	41.1	41.2	41.6
Miscellaneous manufacturing .....	40.7	39.8	40.2	40.7	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Nondurable goods .....	40.5	40.0	40.3	40.7	40.0	40.0	39.9	39.9	40.1	40.1
Overtime hours .....	3.5	3.5	3.6	3.6	3.4	3.4	3.3	3.4	3.5	3.5
Food and kindred products .....	40.7	40.0	40.1	40.5	40.1	40.3	39.7	39.8	39.9	39.9
Tobacco manufactures .....	38.1	39.1	38.4	38.2	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Textile mill products .....	41.5	41.7	42.0	42.3	41.0	41.4	41.6	41.5	41.6	41.8
Apparel and other textile products .....	37.1	36.9	37.2	37.5	36.8	36.5	36.7	36.7	36.9	37.1
Paper and allied products .....	44.3	43.1	43.4	44.0	43.5	43.5	43.0	43.0	43.2	43.2
Printing and publishing .....	38.8	38.1	38.3	38.7	38.1	38.0	38.0	38.0	38.0	38.0
Chemicals and allied products .....	42.5	41.9	42.7	43.0	42.0	42.1	42.0	42.2	42.6	42.5
Petroleum and coal products .....	43.7	43.8	43.8	43.9	43.6	44.3	43.4	43.7	43.7	43.8
Rubber and miscellaneous plastics products .....	42.0	41.4	41.7	42.2	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Leather and leather products .....	37.9	36.8	37.1	37.9	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Transportation and public utilities .....	39.7	39.1	39.3	39.2	39.5	39.1	38.9	39.1	39.3	39.0
Wholesale trade .....	38.6	38.4	38.4	38.4	38.4	38.4	38.2	38.4	38.3	38.2
Retail trade .....	29.8	29.0	29.0	29.4	29.2	29.2	29.2	29.1	29.2	28.8
Finance, insurance, and real estate .....	36.7	36.6	36.8	36.5	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Services .....	32.5	32.4	32.4	32.4	32.5	32.4	32.3	32.4	32.5	32.4

<sup>1</sup> 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 employees on private nonagricultural payrolls.

<sup>2</sup> This series is not published seasonally adjusted since the seasonal component is small relative to the trend-cycle and/or irregular components and consequently cannot be separated with sufficient precision.  
p = preliminary.

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

Industry	Average hourly earnings				Average weekly earnings			
	Dec. 1985	Oct. 1986	Nov. 1986 p	Dec. 1986 p	Dec. 1985	Oct. 1986	Nov. 1986 p	Dec. 1986 p
<b>Total private</b> .....	\$8.71	\$8.81	\$8.86	\$8.85	\$306.59	\$305.71	\$307.44	\$308.87
Seasonally adjusted .....	8.70	8.80	8.85	8.84	303.63	305.36	307.98	305.86
<b>Mining</b> .....	12.27	12.51	12.57	12.64	537.43	527.92	524.17	533.41
<b>Construction</b> .....	12.47	12.62	12.59	12.71	460.14	479.56	460.79	470.27
<b>Manufacturing</b> .....	9.74	9.72	9.77	9.86	406.16	396.58	400.57	411.16
<b>Durable goods</b> .....	10.34	10.28	10.33	10.44	439.45	424.56	429.73	442.66
Lumber and wood products .....	8.35	8.37	8.39	8.41	335.67	338.99	338.12	340.61
Furniture and fixtures .....	7.38	7.50	7.51	7.60	303.32	303.00	301.15	311.60
Stone, clay, and glass products .....	9.95	10.10	10.12	10.15	414.92	431.27	424.03	427.32
Primary metal industries .....	11.84	11.84	11.88	11.98	504.38	496.10	503.71	521.13
Blast furnaces and basic steel products .....	13.44	13.78	13.77	13.92	564.48	571.87	579.72	608.30
Fabricated metal products .....	9.91	9.86	9.93	10.03	422.17	407.22	412.10	424.27
Machinery, except electrical .....	10.55	10.56	10.59	10.68	452.60	438.24	443.72	457.10
Electrical and electronic equipment .....	9.68	9.72	9.74	9.87	408.50	397.55	402.26	414.54
Transportation equipment .....	13.06	12.87	12.91	13.05	577.25	540.54	548.68	568.98
Motor vehicles and equipment .....	13.81	13.49	13.51	13.70	625.59	567.93	574.18	602.80
Instruments and related products .....	9.39	9.54	9.61	9.69	400.01	390.19	398.82	412.79
Miscellaneous manufacturing .....	7.48	7.60	7.63	7.71	304.44	302.48	306.73	313.80
<b>Nondurable goods</b> .....	8.87	8.95	9.00	9.05	359.24	358.00	362.70	368.34
Food and kindred products .....	8.71	8.68	8.78	8.85	354.50	347.20	352.08	358.43
Tobacco manufactures .....	11.78	12.10	12.62	13.04	448.82	473.11	484.61	498.13
Textile mill products .....	6.83	7.04	7.07	7.12	283.45	293.57	296.94	301.18
Apparel and other textile products .....	5.80	5.82	5.83	5.86	215.18	214.76	216.88	219.75
Paper and allied products .....	11.07	11.20	11.18	11.24	490.40	482.72	485.21	494.56
Printing and publishing .....	9.92	10.08	10.11	10.12	384.90	384.05	387.21	391.64
Chemicals and allied products .....	11.85	12.08	12.14	12.19	503.63	506.15	518.38	524.17
Petroleum and coal products .....	14.24	14.18	14.33	14.45	622.29	621.08	627.65	634.36
Rubber and miscellaneous plastics products .....	8.73	8.76	8.80	8.84	366.66	362.66	366.96	373.05
Leather and leather products .....	5.83	5.92	5.99	5.95	220.96	217.86	222.23	225.51
<b>Transportation and public utilities</b> .....	11.61	11.68	11.77	11.76	460.92	456.69	462.56	460.99
<b>Wholesale trade</b> .....	9.33	9.35	9.54	9.54	360.14	359.04	366.34	366.34
<b>Retail trade</b> .....	5.99	6.04	6.06	6.02	178.50	175.16	175.74	176.99
<b>Finance, insurance, and real estate</b> .....	8.15	8.38	8.56	8.52	299.11	306.71	315.01	310.98
<b>Services</b> .....	8.12	8.22	8.32	8.31	263.90	266.33	269.57	269.24

1 See footnote 1, table B-2.

p = preliminary.

Table B-4. Hourly Earnings Index for production or nonsupervisory workers' on private nonagricultural payrolls by industry

(1977 = 100)

Industry	Not seasonally adjusted					Seasonally adjusted						
	Dec. 1985	Oct. 1986	Nov. 1986 p	Dec. 1986 p	Percent change from: Dec. 1985- Dec. 1986	Dec. 1985	Aug. 1986	Sept. 1986	Oct. 1986	Nov. 1986 p	Dec. 1986 p	Percent change from: Nov. 1986- Dec. 1986
<b>Total private nonfarm:</b>												
Current dollars .....	168.2	170.0	171.0	171.2	1.8	167.7	169.3	169.6	170.0	170.9	170.8	-0.1
Constant (1977) dollars .....	94.4	94.9	95.4	N.A.	(2)	94.0	95.1	95.0	95.1	95.4	N.A.	(3)
<b>Mining</b> .....	181.7	181.4	182.5	182.8	.6	(4)	(4)	(4)	(4)	(4)	(4)	(4)
<b>Construction</b> .....	151.7	154.0	153.3	154.3	1.7	151.2	151.3	151.2	152.6	153.9	153.8	-.1
<b>Manufacturing</b> .....	171.3	172.6	173.1	174.0	1.6	171.0	172.9	172.8	173.1	173.1	173.7	.3
<b>Transportation and public utilities</b> .....	170.1	171.3	172.4	172.6	1.5	169.1	170.1	170.8	170.9	171.4	171.6	.1
<b>Wholesale trade</b> .....	172.2	172.6	175.8	175.7	2.1	(4)	(4)	(4)	(4)	(4)	(4)	(4)
<b>Retail trade</b> .....	157.0	158.7	158.9	158.1	.7	157.5	158.5	159.1	159.1	159.3	158.5	-.5
<b>Finance, insurance, and real estate</b> .....	176.2	180.7	184.0	183.3	4.0	(4)	(4)	(4)	(4)	(4)	(4)	(4)
<b>Services</b> .....	172.8	175.5	177.2	177.1	2.5	171.6	174.3	174.4	175.3	176.7	175.9	-.4

1 See footnote 1, table B-2.

2 Percent change is 1.5 percent from November 1985 to November 1986, the latest month available.

3 Percent change is 0.3 percent from October 1986 to November 1986, the latest month available.

4 These series are not seasonally adjusted since the seasonal component is small relative to the trend-cycle and/or irregular components and consequently cannot be separated with sufficient precision.

N.A. Data not available.

p = preliminary.

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Table B-5. Indexes of aggregate weekly hours of production or nonsupervisory workers' on private nonagricultural payrolls by industry

(1977 = 100)

Industry	Not seasonally adjusted				Seasonally adjusted					
	Dec. 1985	Oct. 1986	Nov. 1986 P	Dec. 1986 P	Dec. 1985	Aug. 1986	Sept. 1986	Oct. 1986	Nov. 1986 P	Dec. 1986 P
Total	118.5	119.7	119.8	120.7	116.8	118.4	<sup>c</sup> 118.3	118.6	119.3	119.0
Goods-producing	100.3	101.0	99.9	100.1	99.3	98.9	98.7	98.5	98.9	99.2
Mining	104.3	82.7	82.0	81.6	102.8	83.0	81.2	82.1	81.5	80.3
Construction	123.4	143.9	134.4	129.1	126.4	134.0	134.2	133.0	132.1	132.7
Manufacturing	95.6	93.6	94.1	95.4	94.0	92.9	92.7	92.6	93.2	93.6
Durable goods	94.7	90.7	91.4	93.1	92.7	90.7	90.5	90.1	90.6	91.0
Lumber and wood products	95.8	104.0	102.0	101.7	97.8	99.9	100.5	101.4	103.1	103.3
Furniture and fixtures	109.9	109.5	109.4	111.8	105.5	107.1	107.6	107.3	106.8	106.8
Stone, clay, and glass products	85.0	90.3	87.7	86.3	86.5	88.1	88.3	87.3	86.5	87.9
Primary metal industries	67.7	61.1	62.1	64.0	67.6	61.9	61.8	62.2	62.7	63.8
Blast furnaces and basic steel products	55.4	47.6	47.7	50.2	56.3	49.0	48.4	49.7	49.5	50.9
Fabricated metal products	93.6	89.5	90.1	91.7	91.2	88.5	89.4	88.6	89.1	89.3
Machinery, except electrical	93.1	84.9	85.4	87.5	90.3	87.5	85.8	85.3	85.2	84.9
Electrical and electronic equipment	107.3	102.8	103.9	105.7	104.4	103.2	102.9	102.3	102.6	102.7
Transportation equipment	102.8	94.8	97.4	100.5	99.0	95.9	95.9	94.9	96.4	96.4
Motor vehicles and equipment	96.2	82.8	85.2	88.8	92.8	84.8	84.4	82.1	84.6	84.5
Instruments and related products	109.0	103.3	105.2	108.4	106.3	104.5	103.5	104.2	104.2	105.8
Miscellaneous manufacturing	82.1	83.9	84.7	84.5	81.3	80.1	79.9	79.9	81.3	83.3
Nondurable goods	97.0	97.8	98.2	98.8	95.8	96.1	96.0	96.3	97.1	97.6
Food and kindred products	98.8	103.5	102.0	100.9	98.2	100.1	98.9	99.0	100.4	100.2
Tobacco manufactures	89.6	89.4	85.1	81.2	84.5	72.2	76.6	77.5	78.9	75.9
Textile mill products	78.7	81.0	81.9	82.7	77.7	79.6	79.6	79.9	80.9	81.6
Apparel and other textile products	87.4	87.2	87.6	88.3	87.2	85.0	85.6	85.9	86.4	87.8
Paper and allied products	103.7	102.2	103.2	105.5	101.8	101.6	101.2	102.0	102.7	103.7
Printing and publishing	129.7	130.0	131.6	134.0	126.3	128.6	128.9	129.7	129.7	130.5
Chemicals and allied products	94.7	92.9	94.4	94.9	93.9	94.0	93.4	93.7	94.6	94.2
Petroleum and coal products	79.8	80.6	79.6	79.5	80.8	81.3	78.9	79.4	79.4	80.4
Rubber and miscellaneous plastics products	113.1	114.2	115.1	116.4	111.6	112.6	113.4	113.5	114.8	114.9
Leather and leather products	64.0	58.0	58.6	58.7	63.3	56.9	56.6	56.8	56.9	58.1
Service-producing	128.6	130.1	130.8	132.0	126.5	129.2	129.2	129.7	130.5	129.9
Transportation and public utilities	109.4	108.3	109.3	109.5	108.1	105.7	<sup>c</sup> 106.6	107.3	108.6	108.3
Wholesale trade	120.1	120.8	120.4	120.0	119.1	120.2	119.3	119.8	119.6	119.0
Retail trade	123.2	119.7	121.5	125.4	116.5	119.3	119.6	119.7	120.3	118.6
Finance, insurance, and real estate	133.4	139.3	140.6	140.3	133.5	139.1	138.7	139.7	141.5	140.2
Services	141.5	147.4	147.3	147.4	142.3	146.4	146.0	146.8	147.9	148.2

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

p = preliminary.

C = corrected.

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

Time span	Year	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Over 1-month span	1984.....	67.8	72.7	67.6	67.6	62.4	65.4	62.2	55.9	50.5	63.0	53.5	57.0
	1985.....	52.4	47.8	53.8	49.2	51.6	47.0	56.2	56.8	50.8	61.9	57.6	59.5
	1986.....	59.7	53.5	45.1	54.1	49.2	46.2	54.6	54.3	54.9	55.1	p61.1	p62.4
Over 3-month span	1984.....	76.5	75.1	75.9	71.4	71.6	68.1	63.2	58.1	56.8	53.5	58.1	53.0
	1985.....	51.1	49.7	46.2	46.2	45.1	51.4	49.7	51.1	55.1	55.9	61.4	60.5
	1986.....	58.1	54.3	51.1	49.7	48.4	44.9	47.3	54.1	54.9	p60.3	p65.1	
Over 6-month span	1984.....	78.1	76.5	77.0	75.1	69.2	65.1	63.2	59.2	58.6	53.2	49.7	54.9
	1985.....	49.2	47.8	43.0	45.9	44.3	44.3	48.9	50.8	54.1	57.0	57.0	55.9
	1986.....	53.8	53.8	47.6	45.9	45.9	48.6	49.7	p54.9	p60.5			
Over 12-month span	1984.....	81.1	78.1	72.2	72.2	68.9	67.8	65.7	62.7	59.7	54.6	51.4	48.6
	1985.....	46.2	45.7	46.8	43.8	44.9	47.3	47.6	48.9	47.3	49.5	48.9	48.6
	1986.....	50.3	51.1	52.2	52.4	p53.2	p53.5						

<sup>1</sup> Number of employees, seasonally adjusted for 1, 3, and 6 month spans, on payrolls of 185 private nonagricultural industries. Data for the 12-month span are unadjusted.  
p = preliminary.

NOTE: Figures are the percent of industries with employment rising. (Half of the unchanged components are counted as rising.) Data are centered within the spans.