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THE EMPLOYMENT SITUATION: MARCH 1990

Unemployment was about unchanged in March, the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor reported today. The overall jobless rate was 5.1 percent and the civilian worker rate was 5.2 percent. These rates have changed very little in the last year and a half.

After showing marked strength in January and February, private sector employment, as reported by the survey of business establishments, showed no growth in March. Government employment was buoyed by hiring for the decennial census. The household survey did register a gain in March, but growth as measured by that survey has lagged far behind that from the payroll survey for some time.

## Unermployment (Household Survey Data)

The number of unemployed persons was little changed in March at 6.5 million, seasonally adjusted, and the unemployment rate was about unchanged at 5.2 percent. The jobless rates for all major worker groups-whites ( 4.5 percent), blacks ( 10.6 percent), Hispanics ( 7.7 percent), adult men ( 4.5 percent), adult women ( 4.7 percent), and teenagers ( 14.4 percent)-were also about unchanged in March. (See tables A-2 and A-3.)

There were 1.3 million persons in March who had been jobless for 15 weeks or longer, representing 20 percent of the unemployed total. The median duration was a comparatively low 5.1 weeks, meaning that half of the unemployed had been looking for work for less than this time and half for longer. (See table A-7.)

## Civilian Enplovment and the Labor Force (Household Survev Data)

Total civilian employment rose slightly in March to 118.3 million, seasonally adjusted, and the employment-population ratio, at 63.1 percent, equaled the all-time high reached last June. Over the past year, total employment increased by only 1.2 million (versus 2.5 million, as measured by the survey of businessés). (See table A-2.)

The civilian labor force ( 124.8 million) edged up over the month, while the labor force participation rate ( 66.6 percent) was about unchanged. Over the year, the labor force rose by nearly 1.6 million. (See table A-2.)

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


## Discouraged Workers (Household Survey Data)

At a seasonally adjusted level of 750,000 in the first quarter, the number of discouraged workers--persons who report they want to work but are not looking for jobs because they believe they could not find any-was slightly lower than in the fourth quarter of 1989. Over the year, the number of discouraged workers has declined by about 100,000 to the lowest level since 1979. About two-thirds of the total cited job-market conditions for not seeking work, while the remainder cited personal factors (such as age or lack of education). Blacks and women make up a disproportionately large share of all discouraged workers. (See table A14.)

## Industry Payroll Employment (Establishment Survey Data)

Total nonfarm employment was about unchanged in March, after seasonal adjustment, at a level of 110.3 million. This followed umusually large job gains in January and February. (See table B-1.)

In the goods-producing sector, construction employment fell by 65,000, after seasonal adjustment. This followed very sizable employment increases (seasonally adjusted) in the first 2 months of this year, when mild weather allowed builders to retain more workers than usual through the winter months.

Manufacturing employment declined by 30,000, seasonally adjusted. continuing the pattern of weakness that has characterized the industry over the past year. Small declines were widespread, although auto employment, which had declined markedly in the second half of 1989, held steady in March. Overall, manufacturing has lost nearly 250,000 jobs since reaching a post-recession high in March 1989, with most of the weakness occurring in the major metal and metal-using industries within durable goods.

In the service-producing sector, government employment advanced by 75,000 in March, primarily reflecting the hiring of workers to assist in conducting the 1990 census. The services industry added 50,000 jobs, mostly in health services. The overall services increase, which was much smaller than average for the industry, followed 2 months of strong job growth. Small job gains (about 10,000 each) also occurred in wholesale trade and in the insurance component of the finance, insurance, and real estate industry. Retail trade employment declined for the second straight month, falling by 25,000 in March; despite a large increase in January, job growth in this industry thus far in 1990 is well below last year's pace. Finally, growth was held down in transportation and public utilities because of a bus strike.

## Weekly Hours (Establishment Survey Data)

The average workweek for production or nonsupervisory workers on private nonfarm payrolls was unchanged in March at 34.6 hours, seasonally adjusted. The manufacturing workweek was also unchanged, at 40.7 hours, while factory overtime edged up 0.1 hour to 3.7 hours. (See table B-2.)

The index of aggregate weekly hours of private production or nonsupervisory workers was unchanged in March at 130.1 (1977=100), after seasonal adjustment. The index for manufacturing edged down over the month to 94.2. (See table B-5.)

## Hourly and Weekly Earnings (Establishment Survey Data)

Both average hourly and weekly earnings of private production or nonsupervisory workers rose by 0.4 percent in March, after seasonal adjustment. Prior to seasonal adjustment, average hourly earnings rose 2 cents to $\$ 9.93$ and average weekly earnings increased $\$ 1.68$ to $\$ 341.59$. Over the year, both average hourly and weekly earnings increased by 3.9 percent. (See tables B-3 and B-4.)

The Employment Situation for April 1990 will be released on Friday, May 4, at 8:30 A.M. (EDT).

## 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 abour 60,000 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 information is collected from payroll records by bls in cooperation with State agencies. The sample includes over 300,000 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 12 th 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 resuits between a survey of a sample and a census of the entire population. Each of these factors is explained below.

## Coverage, definitions, and differences <br> 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-S 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 yieids $\mathrm{U}-1$ and the most comprehensive yields $\mathrm{U}-7$. The overall unemployment rate is $\mathrm{U}-5 \mathrm{a}$, while $\mathrm{U}-5 \mathrm{~b}$ represents the same measure with a civilian labor force base.

Unlike the househoid 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 targer 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 oniy 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. For the establishment survey, updated factors for seasonal adjustment are calculated for 6 months; along with the introduction of new benchmarks, which are discussed at the end of the next section, and again with the release of data for October. In both surveys, revisions to data published over the previous 5 years are made once a year.

## Sampling variability

Statistics based on the househoid 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 complere 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 358.000; for total unemployment it is 224.000: 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 redaced 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 .25 percentage point; for teenagers, it is 1.29 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, al.S 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 $\$ 8.50$ per issue or $\$ 25.00$ 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 $\mathrm{M}, \mathrm{O}, \mathrm{P}$, and Q of that publication.

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 adusted |  |  | Seasonally adjusted |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Mar. 1989 | Feb. 1990 | Mar. 1990 | Mar. <br> 1989 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Nov. } \\ & 1989 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Dec. } \\ & 1989 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{Jan} . \\ & 1990 \end{aligned}$ | Feb. 1990 | Mar. 1990 |
| TOTAL |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Noninstitutional population | 187,581 | 189,090 | 189.198 | 187.581 | 188.721 | 188.865 | 188.990 | 189,090 | 189.198 |
| Labor force ............ | 123.907 | 125.120 | 125.458 | 124.929 | 126,192 | 126,246 | 126,094 | 126.308 | 126,498 |
| Participation rate | 66.1 | 66.2 | 66.3 | 66.6 | 66.9 | 66.8 | 66.7 | 66.8 | 66.9 |
| Total employed | 117,528 | 117.986 | 118,762 | 118,731 | 119,540 | 119.588 | 119.560 | 119.713 | 120.003 |
| Employment-population ratio | 62.7 | 62.4 | 62.8 | 63.3 | 63.3 | 63.3 | 63.3 | 63.3 | 83.4 |
| Resident Armed Forces | 1.684 | 1,678 | 1.669 | 1,684 | 1.704 | 1,700 | 1,697 | 1,678 | 1,669 |
| Civilian employed | 115.844 | 116,308 | 117,093 | 117.047 | 117,836 | 117.888 | 117,863 | 118,035 | 118,334 |
| Agriculture ................................................................... | 2.934 | 2.693 | 2,938 | 3.185 | 3,160 | 3.197 | 3,134 | 3,079 | 3.200 |
| Nonagneultural industries .............................................. | 112.911 | 1 13.615 | 114.155 | 113.862 | 114,676 | 114.691 | 114.728 | 114.957 | 115.133 |
| Unemployed ...... | 6.378 | 7.134 | 6,697 | 6.198 | 6,652 | 6,658 | 6,535 | 6,594 | 6,495 |
| Unemployment rate | 5.1 | 5.7 | 5.3 | 5.0 | 5.3 | 5.3 | 5.2 | 5.2 | 5.1 |
| Not in labor force ................................................................. | 63,674 | 63,970 | 63.740 | 62.652 | 62.529 | 62.619 | 62.896 | 62.782 | 62,700 |
| Men, 16 years and over |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Noninstitutional population .................................................... | 90.032 | 90,822 | 90,874 | 90,032 | 90.606 | 90.678 | 90.772 | 90,822 | 90.874 |
| Labor force ......................................................................... | 68,472 | 68,885 | 69,080 | 69,100 | 69,635 | 69,725 | 69,539 | 69,639 | 69,712 |
| Participation rate ..................................................... | 76.1 | 75.8 | 76.0 | 76.8 | 76.9 | 76.9 | 76.6 | 76.7 | 76.7 |
| Total employed .... | 64,875 | 64.799 | 65.232 | 65.814 | 68.011 | 66.143 | 65.943 | 66.108 | 66.208 |
| Employment-population ratio' ......................................... | 72.1 | 71.3 | 71.8 | 73.1 | . 72.9 | 72.9 | 72.6 | 72.8 | 72.9 |
| Resident Armed Forces .................................................... | 1.521 | 1.506 | 1,497 | 1,521 | 1,529 | 1,525 | 1,523 | 1.506 | 1.497 |
| Civilian employed ............................................................ | 63.354 | 63.293 | 63.735 | 64.293 | 64,482 | 64.618 | 64,420 | 64,602 | 64.711 |
| Unemployed ...................................................................... | 3.597 | 4,087 | 3.847 | 3.286 | 3.624 | 3.582 | 3,597 | 3,530 | 3,505 |
| Unemployment rale .................... | 5.3 | 5.9 | 5.6 | 4.8 ! | 5.2 | 5.1 | 5.2 | 5.1 | 5.0 |
| Women, 16 years and over |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Noninstitutional population .................................................... | 97.550 | 98,268 | 98,324 | 97.550! | 98,115 | 98.187 | 98,218 | 98,268 | 98,324 |
| Labor force | 55.435 | 56,235 | 56.379 | 55.829 | 56,557 | 56.521 | 56.555 | 56,669 | 56,785 |
| Participation rate ....................................................... | 56.8 | 57.2 | 57.3 | 57.2 | 57.6 | 57.6 | 57.6 | 57.7 | 57.8 |
| Total employed ................................................................. | 52,654 | 53,188 | 53,529 | 52.917 | 53,529 | 53.445 | 53.617 | 53.605 | 53.795 |
| Employment-population ratio | 54.0 | 54.1 | 54.4 | 54.2! | 54.6 | 54.4 | 54.6 | 54.5 | 54.7 |
| Resident Armed Forces | 163 | 172 | 172 | 163 | 175 | 175 | 174 | 172 | 172 |
| Civilian employed. | 52.491 | 53.016 | 53,357 | 52,754 | 53.354 | 53,270 | 53.443 | 53.433 | 53.623 |
| Unemployed ...................................................................... | 2.781 | 3.047 | 2.849 | 2.912 | 3.028 | 3.076 | 2.938 | 3,064 | 2,990 |
| Unemployment rate ...................................................... | 5.0 | 5.4 | 5.1 ! | 5.2 | 5.4 | 5.4 | 5.2 | 5.4 | 5.3 |

The population and Armed Forces figures are not adjusted for seasonal vanation; therefore. identical numbers appear in the unadjusted and seasonally adjusted columns.

Includes members of the Armed Forces stationed in the United States.

Labor force as a percent of the noninstitutional population.
Total employment as a percent of the noninstitutional population. Unemployment as a percent of the labor force (including the resident Armed Forces).

Table A-2. Employmont status of the clvilian population by sox and age
(Numbers in thousands)

| Employment status, sex, and age | Not seasonally adjusted |  |  | Soasonally adjuated |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Mar. 1989 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Feb. } \\ & 1990 \end{aligned}$ | Mar. <br> 1890 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar. } \\ & 1989 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Nov. } \\ & 1989 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Dec. } \\ & 1989 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Jan. } \\ & 1990 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Feb. } \\ & 1990 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar. } \\ & 1990 \end{aligned}$ |
| TOTAL |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Civilian noninstitutional population .............................................. | 185,897 | 187.412 | 187,529 | 185, 897 | 187,017 | 187,165 | 187,293 | 187,412 | 187.529 |
| Civilian labor force ............................................................... | 122,223 | 123,442 | 123,789 | 123,245 | 124,488 | 124,546 | 124.397 | 124,630 | 124.829 |
| Participation rate ........................................................... | 65.7 | 65.9 | 66.0 | 66.3 | 66.6 | 66.5 | 66.4 | 66.5 | 66.6 |
| Employed ........................................................................ | 115,844 | 116,308 | 117,093 | 117.047 | 117,836 | 117.888 | 117,863 | 118.035 | 118.334 |
| Empioyment-population ratio ......................................... | 62.3 | 62.9 | 62.4 | 63.0 | 63.0 | 63.0 | 82.9 | 63.0 | 63.1 |
| Unemployed ..................................................................... | 6,378 | 7.134 | 6.697 | 6.198 | 6,652 | 6.658 | 6,535 | 6,594 | 6,495 |
| Unemployment rate ...................................................... | 5.2 | 5.8 | 5.4 | 5.0 | 5.3 | 5.3 | 5.3 | 5.3 | 5.2 |
| Men, 20 years and over |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Civilian noninstitutional population ........................................... | 81,333 | 82.248 | 82,378 | 81,333 | 81,968 | 82.055 | 82.168 | 82.248 | 82.378 |
| Civilian labor force | 63,210 | 63.760 | 63,932 | 63.468 | 63,967 | 64,071 | 63.958 | 84,101 | 64,183 |
| Participation rate . | 77.7 | 77.5 | 77.6 | 78.0 | 78.0 | 78.1 | 77.8 | 77.9 | 77.9 |
| Employed... | 60,191 | 60,286 | 60,654 | 60,783 | 61,033 | 61,154 | 60.976 | 61,172 | 61.270 |
| Employment-population ratio | 74.0 | 73.3 | 73.6 | 74.7 | 74.5 | 74.5 | 74.2 | 74.4 | 74.4 |
| Agnculture ........................ | 2.166 | 2,015 | 2,125 | 2,309 | 2,292 | 2.293 | 2.269 | 2.254 | 2,268 |
| Nonagricultural industries ............. | 58,025 | 58,270 | 58,530 | 58,474 | 58.741 | 58,861 | 58,706 | 58.918 | 59,002 |
| Unemployed ........ | 3,019 | 3.474 | 3,277 | 2.685 | 2.934 | 2,917 | 2,983 | 2,929 | 2,913 |
| Unemployment rate ....................................................... | 4.8 | 5.4 | 5.1 | 4.2 | 4.6 | 4.6 | 4.7 | 4.6 | 4.5 |
| Women, 20 years and over |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Civilian nonınstitutional population ........................................... | 90,242 | 91.157 | 91,237 | 90,242 | 90.952 | 91.042 | 91.091 | 91.157 | 91,237 |
| Civilian labor lorce $\qquad$ Participation rate $\qquad$ | 51,803 | 52.689 | 52.723 | 51,876 | 52.541 | 52,586 | 52,686 | 52,814 | 52.800 |
|  | 57.4 | 57.8 | 57.8 | 57.5 | 57.8 | 57.8 | 57.8 | 57.9 | 57.9 |
| Employed ......................................................................... | 49,462 | 50,129 | 50,343 | 49,467 | 50.043 | 50,048 | 50,255 | 50,287 | 50,344 |
| Employment-population ratio ......................................... | 54.8 | 55.0 | 55.2 | 54.8 | 55.0 | 55.0 | 55.2 | 55.2 | 55.2 |
| Agnculture ...................................................................... | 594 | 524 | 598 | 647 | 624 | 618 | 594 | 582 | 648 |
| Nonagncultural industries ................................................ | 48,868 | 49,605 | 49,746 | 48.820 | 49,419 | 49,430 | 49,661 | 49,704 | 49,696 |
| Unemployed ..................................................................... | 2,341 | 2.560 | 2,380 | 2.409 | 2,498 | 2.538 | 2,431 | 2,527 | 2.456 |
| Unemployment rate .............................. | 4.5 | 4.9 | 4.5 | 4.6 | 4.8 | 4.8 | 4.6 | 4.8 | 4.7 |
| Both sexes, 16 to 19 years |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Civilian noninstitutional population ......................................... | 14,323 | 14,008 | 13,914 | 14,323 | 14.097 | 14,067 | 14,034 | 14.008 | 13.914 |
| Civilian labor force ............................................................... | 7,210 | 6.993 | 7.135 | 7.901 | 7,980 | 7,889 | 7.752 | 7.715 | 7.846 |
| Participation rate ........................................................... | 50.3 | 49.9 | 51.3 | 55.2 | 56.6 | 56.1 | 55.2 | 55.1 | 56.4 |
| Employed ........................................................................ | 6.192 | 5,893 | 6,095 | 6.797 | 6,760 | 6,686 | 6.631 | 6.577 | 6,720 |
| Employment-population ratio ....................................... | 43.2 | 42.1 | 43.8 | 47.5 | 48.0 | 47.5 | 47.3 | 47.0 | 48.3 |
| Agriculture ...................................................................... | 174 | 154 | 216 | 229 | 244 | 286 | 270 | 243 | 285 |
| Nonagricultural industries ...............................................\| | 6.018 | 5.740 | 5,879 | 6.568 | 6.516 | 6,400 | 6.361 | 6,334 | 6.435 |
| Unemployed ..................................................................... | 1.018 | 1,100 | 1,040 : | 1.104 | 1,220 | 1,203 | 1.121 | 1.138 | 1,126 |
| Unemployment rate ........................................................ | 14.1 | 15.7 | 14.6 | 14.0 | 15.3 | 15.2 | 14.5 | 14.8 | 14.4 |

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

Civilian employment as a percent of the civilian noninstitutional population.

Table A-3. Employment status of the civilian population by race, sex, age, and Hlspanic origin
(Numbers in thousands)

| Employment status, race, sex, age, and Hispanic ongin | Not seasonally adjusted |  |  | Seasonally adjusted |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Mar. <br> 1989 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Feb. } \\ & 1990 \end{aligned}$ | Mar. <br> 1990 | Mar. <br> 1989 | Nov. <br> 1989 | Dec. <br> 1989 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Jan. } \\ & 1990 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Feb. } \\ & 1990 \end{aligned}$ | Mar. <br> 1990 |
| WHITE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Civilian noninstitutional population | 159,020 ! | 160,007 | 160.076 | 159,020 | 159,736 | 159,832 | 159,938 | 160.007 | 160.076 |
| Civilian labor force .................... | 105.100 | 106.113 | 106.292 | 105.926 | 106.834 | 106,896 | 106.884 | 107.080 | 107,061 |
| Participation rate | 66.1 | 66.3 | 66.4 | 66.6 | 66.9 | 66.9 | 66.8 | 66.9 | 66.9 |
| Employed | 100,435 | 100,689 | 101,273 | 101,413 | 101.991 | 102,032 | 102,074 | 102.117 | 102,206 |
| Employment-population ratio | 63.2 | 62.9 | 63.3 | 63.8 | 63.8 | 63.8 | 63.8 | 63.8 | 63.8 |
| Unemployed .....................................................................\| | 4,664 | 5,425 | 5,018 | 4.513 | 4,843 | 4,864 | 4,811 | 4,962 | 4,856 |
| Unemployment rate ......................................................... | 4.4 | 5.1 | 4.7 | 4.3 | 4.5 | 4.6 | 4.5 | 4.6 | 4.5 |
| Men, 20 years and over |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Civilian labor force ............................................................... | 55,070 | 55,554 | 55,633 | 55.308 | 55,676 | 55.747 | 55.771 | 55,815 | 55.828 |
| Participation rate ............................................................. | 78.2 | 78.1 | 78.1 | 78.5 | 78.5 | 78.5 | 78.4 | 78.4 | 78.4 |
| Employed ......................................................................... | 52,800 | 52,851 | 53,111 | 53.300 | 53.482 | 53,580 | 53.560 | 53,547 | 53,593 |
| Employment-population ratio .......................................... | 75.0 | 74.3 | 74.6 | 75.7 | 75.4 | 75.5 | 75.3 | 75.2 | 75.2 |
| Unemployed .....................................................................) | 2.270 | 2.703 | 2,521 | 2.008 | 2.194 | 2,167 | 2.211 | 2,268 | 2.235 |
| Unemployment rate ........................................................' | 4.1 | 4.9 | 4.5 | 3.6 | 3.9 | 3.9 | 4.0 | 4.1 | 4.0 |
| Women, 20 years and over |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Civilian labor force ............................................................... | 43.767 | 44,513 | 44,512 | 43.797 | 44.360 | 44,469 | 44.475 | 44.615 | 44.523 |
| Participation rate .............................................................) | 56.9 | 57.4 | 57.3 | 56.9 | 57.3 | 57.4 | 57.4 | 57.5 | 57.4 |
| Employed .........................................................................: | 42.115 | 42.654 | 42.808 | 42.102 | 42.586 | 42.641 | 42.718 | 42.782 | 42.765 |
| Employment-population ratio .......................................... | 54.7 | 55.0 | 55.1 | 54.7 | 55.0 | 55.0 | 55.1 | 55.2 | 55.1 |
| Unemployed ..................................................................... | 1.652 ; | 1.860 | 1.705 | 1,695 | 1.774 | 1,828 | 1,757 | 1,833 | 1,758 |
| Unemployment rate ......................................................... | 3.8 | 4.2 | 3.8 | 3.9 | 4.0 | 4.1 | 4.0 | 4.1 | 3.9 |
| Both sexes, 16 to 19 years |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Civilian labor force ............................................................... | 6,262 | 6.046 | 6,146 | 6,821 | 6,798 | 6,680 | 6,639 | 6,650 | 6,710 |
| Participation rate ......................................................... | 53.9 | 53.7 | 54.8 | 58.7 | 59.7 | 58.9 | 58.7 | 59.0 | 59.8 |
| Employed .......................................................................... | 5,520 | 5.184 | 5.354 | 6,011 | 5,923 | 5.811 | 5,796 | 5.788 | 5,847 |
| Employment-population ratio ..........................................i | 47.5 | 46.0 | 47.7 | 51.7 | 52.0 | 51.2 | 51.3 | 51.4 | 52.1 |
| Unemployed ......................................................................- | 742 | 862 | 792 | 810 | 875 | 869 | 843 | 862 | 863 |
| Unemployment rate ......................................................... | 11.9 | 14.3 | 12.9 | 11.9 | 12.9 | 13.0 | 12.7 | 13.0 | 12.9 |
| Men | 13.8 | 15.1 | 13.8 | 13.0 | 14.3 | 14.0 | 12.9 | 12.7 | 13.0 |
| Women | 9.8 | 13.3 | 12.0 | 10.7 | 11.3 | 11.9 | 12.4 | 13.2 | 12.7 |
| BLACK |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Civilian noninstitutional population | 20,930 | 21.188 | 21,211 | 20,930 | 21,136 | 21,164 | 21.163 | 21,188 | 21.211 |
| Civilian labor force | 13,243 | 13,292 | 13,393 | 13.429 | 13.576 | 13.522 | 13,510 | 13,437 | 13,581 |
| Participation rate .............................................................. | 63.3 | 62.7 | 63.1 | 64.2 | 64.2 | 63.9 | 63.8 | 63.4 | 64.0 |
| Employed ........................................................................... | 11.761 | 11,798 | 11,954 | 11.952 | 11,954 | 11.920 | 11.978 | 12,030 | 12,148 |
| Employment-population ratio .......................................... | 56.2 | 55.7 | 56.4 | 57.1 | 56.6 | 56.3 | 56.6 | 56.8 | 57.3 |
| Unemployed ...................................................................... | 1,483 | 1,494 | 1.440 | 1.477 | 1.622 | 1,602 | 1.532 | 1.407 | 1,433 |
| Unemployment rate ......................................................... | 11.2 | 11.2 | 10.7 | 11.0 | 11.9 | 11.8 | 11.3 | 10.5 | 10.6 |
| Men, 20 years and over |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Civilian labor force ............................................................... | 6,187 | 6.132 | 6.193 | 6.219 | 6.247 | 6.244 | 6.189 | 6.172 | 6,227 |
| Partcipation rate | 74.3 | 72.8 | 73.1 | 74.7 | 74.2 | 74.0 | 73.5 | 73.3 | 73.6 |
| Employed ......................................................................... | 5,541 | 5.474 | 5.558 | 5.611 | 5.587 | 5.569 | 5.496 | 5,603 | 5,631 |
| Employment-population ratio .......................................... | 66.6 | 65.0 | 65.7 | 67.4 | 66.4 | 66.0 | 65.2 | 66.6 | 66.5 |
| Unemployed ..................................................................... | 646 | 658 | 635 | 608 | 660 | 675 | 693 | 569 | 596 |
| Unemployment rate ........................................................ | 10.4 | 10.7 | 10.3 | 9.8 | 10.6 | 10.8 | 11.2 | 9.2 | 9.6 |
| Women, 20 years and over |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Civilian labor force ............................................................... | 6,281 | 6.417 | 6,413 | 6,325 | 6.373 | 6,311 | 6,393 | 6,423 | 6.456 |
| Participation ra'e ............................................................. | 60.2 | 60.7 | 60.5 | 60.6 | 60.4 | 59.7 | 60.5 | 60.7 | 60.9 |
| Employed ......................................................................... | 5.699 | 5.792 | 5,837 | 5.735 | 5.722 | 5.681 | 5,802 | 5,821 | 5.872 |
| Employment-population ratio .......................................... | 54.6 | 54.7 | 55.1 | 55.0 | 54.2 | 53.8 | 54.9 | 55.0 | 55.4 |
| Unemployed ..................................................................... | 582 | 625 | 576 | 590 | 651 | 630 | 591 | 602 | 584 |
| Unemployment rate ........................................................ | 9.3 | 9.7 | 9.0 | 9.3 | 10.2 | 10.0 | 9.2 | 9.4 | 9.0 |
| Both sexes, 16 to 19 years |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Civilian labor force ............................................................... | 775 | 744 | 787 | 885 | 956 | 967 | 928 | 842 | 898 |
| Partucipation rate .............................................................. | 35.6 | 34.0 | 36.6 | 40.7 | 44.0 | 44.6 | 42.8 | 38.5 | 41.7 |
| Employed ......................................................................... | 521 | 532 | 559 | 606 | 645 | 670 | 680 | 606 | 645 |
| Employment-population ratio .......................................... | 24.0 | 24.3 | 26.0 | 27.9 | 29.7 | 30.9 | 31.3 | 27.7 | 30.0 |
| Unemployed ..................................................................... | 255 | 211 | 228 | 279 | 311 | 297 | 248 | 236 | 253 |
| Unemployment rate ......................................................... | 32.8 | 28.4 | 29.0 | 31.5 | 32.5 | 30.7 | 26.7 | 28.0 | 28.2 |
| Men .............................................................................. | 29.3 | 31.2 | 30.5 | 29.0 | 32.3 | 30.1 | 29.2 | 28.5 | 30.0 |
| Women ........................................................................ | 36.4 | 25.5 | 27.5 | 34.3 | 32.7 | 31.4 | 24.0 | 27.5 | 26.2 |

See tootnotes at end of table.

Tabie A-3. Employment status of the elvilian population by race, sex, age, and Hiapanle origin-Continuad
(Numbers in thousands)

|  | Not seazorally adjusted |  |  |  | Stasonally adusted |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Hispanic origin | Mar. <br> 1989 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Feb. } \\ & 1990 \end{aligned}$ | Mar. $1990$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar. } \\ & 1989 \end{aligned}$ | Nov. 1989 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Doc. } \\ & 1880 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Jan. } \\ & 1980 \end{aligned}$ | Fab. 1980 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar. } \\ & 1980 \end{aligned}$ |


| HISPANIC ORIQIN |
| :---: | :---: |

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

Civilian employment as a percent of the civilian noninstitutional
population.
NOTE: Datail for the above race and Hisparic-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.

Table A-4. Selected employment indicators
(In thousands)

| Category | Not stasonally adjusted |  |  | Seasonally adjusted |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Mar. 1989 | Feb. 1990 | Mar. <br> 1980 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar. } \\ & 1989 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Nov. } \\ & 1989 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Dec. } \\ & 1989 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Jan. } \\ & 1990 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Feb. } \\ & 1990 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar. } \\ & 1990 \end{aligned}$ |
| CHARACTERISTIC |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Civilian employed, 16 years and over ....................................... | . 115.844 | 116,308 | 117.093 | 117,047 | 117.836 | 117,888 | 117,863 | 118,035 | 118,334 |
| Married men, spouse present ............................................... | - 40.754 | 40,768 | 40,784 | 40,976 | 40,886 | 41.041 | 40.982 | 41.347 | 40,989 |
| Married women. spouse present ........................................... | - 29,628 | 29,615 | 29.796 | 29.485 | 29,767 | 29,695 | 29,897 | 29,704 | 29,618 |
| Women who maintain families .............................................. | . 6,275 | 6,384 | 6.297 | 6,267 | 6,351 | 6,349 | 6,215 | 6,378 | 6.291 |
| MAJOR INDUSTRY AND CLASS OF WORKER |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Agriculture: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Wage and salary workers ................................................... | 1,517 | 1.363 | 1.489 | 1.651 | 1,687 | 1,677 | 1,634 | 1.578 | 1,620 |
| Self-employed workers ....................................................... | 1.298 | 1,253 | 1.349 | 1.403 | 1,373 | 1.369 | 1.354 , | 1,375 | 1.457 |
| Unpaid family workers ....................................................... | 119 | 77 | 100 | 137 | 122 | 125 | 107 | 118 | 115 |
| Nonagricultural industries: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Wage and salary workers ................................................... | 104.143 | 104,930 | 105.230 | 104.948 | 105.960 | 105.643 | 105.747 | 106, 117 | 106.029 |
| Government .................................................................. | 17.625 | 17.906 | 17.972 | 17.376 | 17.681 | 17.728 | 17,626 | 17,607 | 17.724 |
| Private industries ............................................................ | 86,518 | 87.024 | 87.258 | 87.572 | 88,279 | 87.915 | 88,121 | 88.510 | 88.306 |
| Private housenolds | 1.084 | 956 | 950 | 1.149 | 1,051 | 1.077 | 1.035 | 1.021 | 1.003 |
| Other industries ............................................................ | 85.434 | 86.068 | 86,308 ' | 86,423 | 87.228 | 86.836 | 87,086 | 87,489 | 87,302 |
| Sell-employed workers ..................................................... | 8.420 | 8.404 | 8,640 | 8.631 | 8.528 | 8,653 : | 8.733 | 8.628 | 8.852 |
| Unpaid lamily workers ....................................................... | 347 | 282 | 284 | 319 | 264 | 251 : | 256 | 313 | 261 |
| PERSONS AT WORK PART TIME' |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All incustries: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Part time for economic reasons .......................................... | 4.784 | 4,897 | 4,814 | 4.978 | 4.803 | 4,802, | 4.983 | 4.887 | 5.004 |
| Slack work ...................................................................... | 2.306 | 2.551 | 2.503 | 2.283 | 2.297 | 2.277 | 2.402 | 2,307 | 2.476 |
| Could only find part-time work .......................................... | 2.204 | 2.036 | 1.980 | 2.368 | 2.162 | 2.106 | 2.255 | 2.211 | 2.127 |
| Voluntary pan time ............................................................ | 16,510 | 16,196 | 16,469 | 15.510 | 15,254 | 15,388 | 14.931 | 15,381 : | 15.484 |
| Nonagricutural industnes: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Part tume for economic reasons .......................................... | 4,572 | 4,712 | 4,605 | 4,720 | 4.552 | 4.554 | 4,729 | 4.703 | 4,747 |
| Slack work ..................................................................... | 2.148 | 2.404 | 2.355 | 2.095 | 2.132 | 2.111 | 2.240 | 2.183 | 2.293 |
| Could only find part-time work .......................................... | 2.155 | 2.010 | 1.931 | 2.290 | 2.097 | 2.051 | 2.172 | 2.173 | 2.050 |
| Voluntary part time ............................................................ | 16.095 | 15,804 | 15,993 | 15.074 | 14,805 | 14,983 | 14.515 | 14.924 | 14,975 |

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

Table. A-5. Range of unemployment metasures based on verying detinitions of unemployment and the labor force, seasonally adjusted
(Percent)

N.A. $=$ not available.

## Table A-6. Selected unemployment indicators, seasonally adjusted

| Category | Number of unemployed persons (in thousands) |  |  | Unemployment rates |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Mar. 1989 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Feb. } \\ & 1990 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar. } \\ & 1990 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar. } \\ & 1989 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Nov. } \\ & 1989 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Dec. } \\ & 1989 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Jan. } \\ & 1990 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Feb. } \\ & 1990 \end{aligned}$ | Mar. 1990 |
| CHARACTERISTIC |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total, 16 years and over ........................................................ | 6,198 : | 6,594 | 6,495! | 5.0 | 5.3 | 5.3 | 5.3 | 5.3 | 5.2 |
| Men, 16 years and over ...................................................... | 3,286 | 3.530 | 3.505 | 4.9 | 5.3 | 5.3 | 5.3 | 5.2 | 5.1 |
| Men. 20 years and over ......................................................: | 2.685 | 2.929 | 2,913! | 4.2 | 4.6 | 4.6 | 4.7 | 4.6 | 4.5 |
| Women, 16 years and over .................................................. | 2.912 | 3,064 | 2.990 | 5.2 | 5.4 | 5.5 | 5.2 | 5.4 | 5.3 |
| Women, 20 years and over ................................................. | 2.409 : | 2.527 | $2.456 i$ | 4.6 | 4.8 | 4.8 | 4.6 | 4.8 | 4.7 |
| Both sexes, 16 to 19 years ................................................. | 1.104 | 1,138 | 1,126i | 14.0 | 15.3 | 15.2 | 14.5 | 14.8 | 14.4 |
| Marned men. spouse present .............................................. | 1.221 | 1.296 | 1.334: | 2.9 | 3.1 | 3.0 | 3.4 | 3.0 | 3.2 |
| Married women. spouse present .......................................... | 1,082 | 1.173 | 1.114i | 3.5 | 3.8 | 3.9 | 3.7 | 3.8 | 3.6 |
| Women who maintain families ............................................. | 541 | 518 | 574: | 7.9 | 8.2 | 8.1 | 7.5 | 7.5 | 8.4 |
| Full-time workers ................................................................. | 5,038 | 5.238 | 5.185: | 4.8 | 5.0 | 5.0 | 5.0 | 4.9 | 4.9 |
| Part-time workers ............................................................... | 1,158 | 1,345 | 1,307 ${ }^{\prime}$ | 6.4 | 7.4 | 7.5 | 7.0 | 7.4 | 7.2 |
| Labor force time lost ........................................................... | - | - | --. | 5.9 | 5.9 | 6.0 | 6.0 | 5.9 | 5.9 |
| INDUSTRY |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Nonagricuilural private wage and salary workers .................. | 4,751 | 5,126 | 5.130! | 5.1 | 5.4 | 5.4 | 5.5 | 5.5 | 5.5 |
| Goods-producing industries .............................................. | 1,749 | 1.938 | 1,922.' | 6.0 | 6.3 | 6.5 | 6.7 | 6.6 | 6.6 |
| Mining ........................................................................... | 51 | 36 | 45! | 7.0 | 6.2 | 4.4 | 6.8 | 4.8 | 5.9 |
| Construction ................................................................... | 621 | 599 | $667{ }^{\prime}$ | 9.6 | 9.8 | 9.8 | 9.3 | 8.9 | 10.0 |
| Manulacturing ................................................................ | 1.077 | 1.303 | 1,211 | 4.8 | 5.4 | 5.6 | 5.9 | 5.9 | 5.5 |
| Ourable goods ............................................................ | 606 | 722 | 694. | 4.6 | 5.4 | 5.4 | 5.8 | 5.5 | 5.3 |
| Nondurable goods ...................................................... | 471 | 581 | 5171 | 5.1 | 5.3 | 5.9 | 5.9 | 6.4 | 5.9 |
| Service-producing industries .............................................. | 3.002 | 3.189 | 3,208 | 4.8 | 5.0 | 4.9 | 5.0 | 5.0 | 5.0 |
| Transportation and public utitities .................................... | 254 | 259 | 217 | 3.9 | 3.6 | 3.4 | 4.3 | 4.0 | 3.4 |
| Wholesale and retail trade .............................................. | 1.326 | 1.453 | 1,462 | 5.7 | 6.4 | 6.3 | 6.2 | 6.0 | 6.2 |
| Finance and service industries ....................................... | 1.422 | 1.477 | 1.528 | 4.3 | 4.3 | 4.2 | 4.3 | 4.4 | 4.5 |
| Government workers .......................................................... | 474 | 443 | 412 | 2.7 | 2.7 | 2.6 | 2.4 | 2.5 | 2.3 |
| Agncultural wage and salary workers ................................... | 162 | 161 | 183 | 8.9 | 12.1 | 9.7 | 9.2 | 9.3 | 10.1 |

Table A.7. Duration of unemployment
(Numbers in thousands)

| Weeks of unemployment | Not seasonally adusted |  |  | Stasonally sduated |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Mar. 1989 | Feb. <br> 1990 | Mar. <br> 1990 | Mar. $1989$ | Nov. 1989 | Dac. <br> 1989 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Jan. } \\ & 1990 \end{aligned}$ | Feb. 1990 | Mar. 1990 |
| DURATION |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Less than 5 weeks ................................................................. | 2.756 | 3.067 | 2.859 | 3.072 | 3.258 | 3.302 | 3.119 | 3.159 | 3.194 |
| 5 to 14 weaks ...................................................................... | 2.072 | 2.555 | 2.289 | 1,849 | 1.991 | 2.013 | 2.012 | 2.079 | 2.044 |
| 15 weeks and over ................................................................. | 1.550 | 1.511 | 1.549 | 1,335 | 1.422 | 1,362 | 1.430 | 1,389 | 1,333 |
| 15 to 26 weeks .................................................................. | 851 | 845 | 885 | 672 . | 765 | 730 | 777 | 731 | 702 |
| 27 weeks and over ............................................................ | 699 | 666 | 664 | 663 : | 657 | 632 | 653 : | 638 | 631 |
| Average (mean) duration, in weeks ........................................ | 12.9 | 11.7 | 12.5 | 12.4 | 11.6 | 11.5 | 12.1 | 11.7 | 12.0 |
| Median duration, in weeks ..................................................... | 6.8 | 5.9 | 6.3 | 5.5 | 4.8 | 4.8 | 5.1 | 5.4 | 5.1 |
| PERCENT OISTRIBUTION |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total unemployed .................................................................. | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 : | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Less than 5 weeks ............................................................. | 43.2 | 43.0 | 42.7 | 49.1 | 48.8 | 49.5 | 47.5 | 47.8 | 48.6 |
| 5 to 14 weeks ...................................................................: | 32.5 | 35.8 | 34.2 | 29.6 | 29.8 | 30.1 | 30.7 | 31.5 | 31.1 |
| 15 weeks and over ............................................................. | 24.3 | 21.2 | 23.1 | 21.3 | 21.3 | 20.4 | 21.8 | 20.7 | 20.3 |
| 15 to 26 weeks ............................................................... | 13.3 | 11.8 | 13.2 | 10.7 | 11.5 | 10.9 | 11.8 | 11.1 | 10.7 |
| 27 weeks and over ........................................................... | 11.0 | 9.3 | 9.9 | 10.6 | 9.8 | 9.5 | 9.9 | 9.7 | 9.6 |

Table A-8. Reason for unempioyment
(Numbers in thousands)

| Reasons | Not sensonally adjusted |  |  | Seasonally adjusted |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Mar. 1989 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Feb. } \\ & 1990 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar. } \\ & 1990 \end{aligned}$ | Mar. 1989 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Nov. } \\ & 1989 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Dec. } \\ & 1989 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Jan. } \\ & 1990 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Feb. } \\ & 1990 \end{aligned}$ | Mar. 1990 |
| NUMBER OF UNEMPLOYED |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Job losers ............................................................................. | 3.176 | 3.646 | 3.378 | 2.852 | 3.092 | 3,097 | 3.183 | 3.103 | 3.038 |
| On layoff .............................................................................. | 996 | 1.282 | 1.165 | 806 | 969 | 957 | 1.033 | 964 | 941 |
| Other job losers ................................................................... | 2.180 | 2.365 | 2.212 | 2,046 | 2.123 | 2.140 | 2.150 | 2,139 | 2.097 |
| Job leavers .......................................................................... | 850 | 1,030 | 955 | 902 | 1.049 | 1.055 | 1,016 | 1,006 | 1.014 |
| Reentrants ............................................................................ | 1.721 | 1.837 | 1.798 | 1.774 | 1,845 | 1,853 | 1.730 | 1,805 | 1,859 |
| New entrants ......................................................................... | 631 | 619 | 565 | 713 | 695 | 686 | 640 | 680 | . 644 |
| PERCENT OISTRIBUTION |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total unemployed .................................................................. | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Job losers ............................................................................ | 49.8 | 51.1 | 50.4 | 45.7 | 46.3 | 46.3 | 48.5 | 47.1 | 46.3 |
| On layotf ........................................................................... | 15.6 | 18.0 | 17.4 | 12.9 | 14.5 | 14.3 | 15.7 | 14.6 | 14.4 |
| Other jod losers ................................................................ | 34.2 | 33.2 | 33.0 | 32.8 | 31.8 | 32.0 | 32.7 | 32.4 | 32.0 |
| Job leavers ......................................................................... | 13.3 | 14.4 | 14.3 | 14.5 | 15.7 | 15.8 | 15.5 | 15.3 | 15.5 |
| Reentrants .......................................................................... | 27.0 | 25.8 | 26.9 | 28.4 | 27.6 | 27.7 | 26.3 | 27.4 | 28.4 |
| New entrants ...................................................................... | 9.9 | 8.7 | 8.4 | 11.4 | 10.4 | 10.3 | 9.7 | 10.3 | 9.8 |
| UNEMPLOYED AS A PERCENT OF THE CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Job losers ............................................................................. | 2.6 | 3.0 | 2.7 | 2.3 | 2.5 | 2.5 | 2.6 | 2.5 | 2.4 |
| Job leavers ........................................................................... | . 7 | . 8 | . 8 | . 7 | . 8 | . 8 | . 8 | . 8 | . 8 |
| Reentrants ............................................................................ | 1.4 | 1.5 | 1.5 | 1.4 | 1.5 | 1.5 | 1.4 | 1.4 | 1.5 |
| New entrants ........................................................................... | . 5 | . 5 | . 5 | . 6 | . 6 | . 6 | . 5 | . 5 | . 5 |

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


Unemployment as a percent of the civilian labor force.

Tabie A-10. Employment status of black and other workers
(Numbers in thousands)

| Employment status | Not seasonally adjusted |  |  | Seastonally adjusted |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar. } \\ & 1989 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Feb. } \\ & 1990 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar. } \\ & 1990 \end{aligned}$ | Mar. 1989 | Nov. 1989 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Dec. } \\ & 1989 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Jan. } \\ & 1990 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Feb. } \\ & 1990 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar. } \\ & 1990 \end{aligned}$ |
| Civilian nonınsututional population | 26.877 | 27.405 | 27.453 | 26.877 | 27.280 | 27.332 | 27.355 | 27.405 | 27.453 |
| Civtian labor force .................... | 17.123 | 17.329 | 17.498 | 17.345 | 17.686 | 17,648 | 17.602 | 17.545 | 17.727 |
| Parıcıpation rate | 63.7 | 63.2 | 63.7 | 64.5 | 64.8 | 64.6 | 64.3 | 64.0 | 64.6 |
| Employed | 15.409 | 15,620 | 15.820 | 15,639 | 15.86t | 15.841 | 15.827 | 15,927 | 16,061 |
| Employment-population ratio | 57.3 | 57.0 | 57.6 | 58.2 | 58.1 | 58.0 | 57.9 | 58.1 | 58.5 |
| Unemployed .......................... | 1.714 | 1.709 | 1.678 | 1,706 | 1.825 | 1,807 | 1.775 | 1,618 | 1,667 |
| Unemployment rate | 10.0 | 9.9 | 9.6 | 9.8 | 10.3 | 10.2 | 10.1 | 9.2 | 9.4 |
| Not in labor force ............ | 9.754 | 10.076 | 9.955 | 9.532 | 9.594 | 9.684 | 9.753 | 9,860 | 9.726 |

The population figures are not adjusted for seasonal vanation; therefore identical numbers appear in the unadjusted and seasonally adjusted columns.

Civilian employment as a percent of the eivilian noninstitutional population.

Tabie A-11. Occupational status of the empioyed and unemployed, not seteonally adjusted
(Numbers in thousands)

| Occupation | Civilian employed |  | Unemployed |  | Uniernployment rate |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Mar. 1989 | Mar. $1990$ | Mar. <br> 1989 | Mar. 1990 | Mar. 1989 | Mar. <br> 1990 |
| Total. 16 years and over ........................................................................................... | 115.844 | 117.093 | 6,378 | 6.697 | 5.2 | 5.4 |
| Managerial and prolessional specialty ........................................................................... | 30.520 | 30.746 | 561 | 574 | 1.8 | 1.8 |
| Executive, administrative. and managenal | 14.804 | 14.743 | 345 | 325 | 2.3 | 2.2 |
| Prolessional specialty ............................... | 15.717 | 16,003 | 217 | 250 | 1.4 | 1.5 |
| Technical, sales, and administrative support .................................................................. | 35.402 | 37.033 | 1,409 | 1.455 | 3.8 | 3.8 |
| Technicians and related support ................................................................................. | 3,633 | 3.905 | 56 | 99 | 1.5 | 2.5 |
| Sales occupations .................................................................................................... | 13.682 | 14.310 | 643 | 667 | 4.5 | 4.5 |
| Administrative support, including clerical .............................................................. | 18.087 | 18.818 | 710 | 689 | 3.8 | 3.5 |
| Service occupatuons ..................................................................................................... | 15.403 | 15.461 | 969 | 1.056 | 5.9 | 6.4 |
| Private household .......................................................................................................: | 873 | 754 | 43 | 49 | 4.7 | 6.1 |
| Protective service | 1.933 | 2,032 | 61 | 65 | 3.1 | 3.1 |
| Service, except private household and protective ........................................................ | 12.597 | 12.694 | 865 | 942 | 6.4 | 6.9 |
| Precision production, craft, and repair .............................................................................. | 13.573 | 13,503 | 883 | 864 | 6.1 | 6.0 |
| Mechanics and repairers ............................................................................................ | 4.597 | 4,398 | 191 | 156 | 4.0 | 3.4 |
| Construction trades .................................................................................................... | 4.643 | 4.980 | 498 | 521 | 9.3 | 9.5 |
| Other precision production. craft. and repair ................................................................. | 4.133 | 4,125 | 194 | 188 | 4.5 | 4.4 |
| Operators, fabricators, and laborers ............................................................................... | 17.949 | 17.327 | 1.632 | 1.827 | 8.3 | 9.5 |
| Machine operators, assemblers, and inspectors ............................................................ | 8.428 | 7,789 | 655 | 752 | 7.2 | 8.8 |
| Transportation and material moving occupations ........................................................., | 4,768 | 4,760 | 354 | 372 | 6.9 | 7.3 |
| Handlers, equipment cleaners, helpers, and laborers .................................................... | 4,754 | 4.778 | 622 | 703 | 11.6 | 12.8 |
| Construction laborers ................................................................................................. | 707 | 707 | 195 | 183 | 21.6 | 20.6 |
| Other handlers, equipment cleaners, helpers, and laborers ........................................... | 4.046 | 4.071 | 428 | 519 | 9.6 | 11.3 |
| Farming, forestry, and fishing ......................................................................................... | 2.996 | 3.003 | 258 | 254 | 7.9 | 7.8 |

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

Table A-12. Employment status of male Vietnam-era vaterans and nonveterans by age, not seasonaily adjusted
(Numbers in thousands)


Tablé A-13. Employment status of the civillan population for eleven large States
(Numbers in thousands)


See lootnotes at end of table.

Table A-13. Employment stetus of the efvilian population for eleven large Statec-Continued
(Numbers in thousands)

| State and employment atatus | Not seasonally adusted |  |  | Seasonally adjusted |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar. } \\ & 1989 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Feb, } \\ & 1990 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mer. } \\ & 1980 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar. } \\ & 1989 \end{aligned}$ | Nov. 1989 | Dec. 1989 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Jan. } \\ & 1990 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Feb. } \\ & 1990 \end{aligned}$ | Mar. 1990 |
| Pennsyivania |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Civilian noninstitutional population ............................. | 9,380 | 9,379 | 9,380 | 9,360 | 9,378 | 9,377 | 9,378 | 9,379 | 9.380 |
| Civilian labor force ................................................ | 5,862 | 5,883 | 5.815 | 5.952 | 5.910 | 5,880 | 5,875 | 5,986 | 6,004 |
| Employed .........................................................: | 5.617 | 5.510 | 5.599 | 5.715 | 5.598 | 5.575 | 5,568 | 5.623 | 5.694 |
| Unemployed ...................................................... | 246 | 373 | 316 | 237 | 312 | 305 | 307 | 343 | 310 |
| Unemployment rate ........................................... | 4.2 | 8.3 | 5.3 | 4.0 | 5.3 | 5.2 | 5.2 | 5.7 | 5.2 |
| Texas |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Civilian noninstitutional population ............................ | 12,170 | 12,312 | 12,323 | 12,170 | 12,276 | 12,288 | 12,300 | 12,312 | 12,323 |
| Civilian labor force ................................................ | 8.288 | 8,375 | 8,346 | 8.385 | 8.450 | 8.423 | 8.440 | 8.494 | 8.447 |
| Employed ......................................................... | 7.755 | 7,788 | 7.874 | 7.857 | 7,854 | 7.866 | 7,999 | 7.949 | 7.977 |
| Unemployed ...................................................... | 531 | 588 | 473 | 528 | 596 | 557 | 441 | 545 | 470 |
| Unemployment rate ............................................... | 6.4 | 7.0 | 5.7 | 8.3 | 7.1 | 8.6 | 5.2 | 8.4 | 5.6 |

These are the official Bureau of Labor Statistics' estimates used in the administration of Federal fund altocation programs.

The population figures are not adjusted for seasonal variation; therelore.
identical numbers appear in the unadiusted and the seasonally adjusted columns.

Table A-14. Persons not in the labor force by reason, sex, and race, quarterty averages
(In thousands)


Includes small number of men not looking for work because of "home responsibilities."

NOTE: Detall may not add to not-in-labor force totals because of the weighting procedures.

| Induatry | Mot seasonally adjusted |  |  |  | Seasonally adjusted |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Mars | ${ }_{1990}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Fab. } \\ & 1990_{\mathrm{g}} \end{aligned}$ | $\left\{\begin{array}{l} \operatorname{Mar}{ }_{1} \\ 1990_{\mathrm{E}} \end{array}\right.$ | Mars | Nov9 | Dec. 1989 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { den } \\ & 1990 \text {, } \end{aligned}$ | Fab. 1990 E | Mar. <br> $1990 \mathrm{~g} /$ |
| rotal | 107,017 | 108,3721 | 108.8781 | 1309.4791 | 107.888 | 109,4321 | 109.5701 | 109,931 | 110.287 | 120.313 |
| Total prive | 89,052! | 90.4291 | 90.5871 | 91.0181 | 90.291 | 91.622 | 91,6991 | 91.975 | 92.2891 | 92,240 |
| Coedu-producing industr | 25,095 | 24.9431 | 24.996 | 25.038 | 25,646 | 25,609 | 25,532 | 25,518 | 25.6821 | 25.586 |
| Hining............. | $\begin{array}{r} 7021 \\ 390.51 \end{array}$ | 7331 <br> 416.9 | 7331 916.61 | $\begin{array}{r} 7351 \\ 414.51 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 714 \\ 397 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 7371 \\ 4141 \end{array}$ | 7391 4161 | $\begin{array}{r} 7451 \\ 417! \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 7491 \\ & 422! \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 748 \\ & 421 \end{aligned}$ |
| Construct: | 1,48737 | 1.4.9791 | 1. 419391 | 4.9901 $1,3 i 8.61$ | 5,2521 1,3801 | 5,355 1,391 | 5,3041 | 5,4181 1,425 | 5,4821 1,435 | 5,418 |
| Manufactur | 19,556 | 19,231 | 19,3241 | 19.3131 | 19.6801 | 19,517 | 19,4891 | 19.3551 | 19,451! |  |
| Production | 13, 348 | 23.0181 | 13.116 | 13.110 | 13,442 | 13,276 | 13,262 | 13.128 | 13.2191 | 13,192 |
| Durnebla goe Product | 11.550 | 11,2371 | 11,3419 | 17.358 7 | 11.604 7.74 | 11,4391 | 11,409 ${ }^{13} 5$ | 11,2871 | 11,3971 | 11, 380 |
| Lumber and wood produc | 755.01 | 746.01 | 741.91 | 743.11 | 7771 | 765 | 7651 | 7701 | 7651 | 763 |
| Furniture and fixture | 534.8 | 523.81 | 522.41 | 521.81 | 5351 | 525 | 5231 | 522. | 5221 | 522 |
| Stone, elay and olasz products. . . . . . . . . . | 592.2 | 581.01 | 579.31 | 586.21 | 6071 | 602 | 6001 | 601 | 5021 | 600 763 |
| Primary aetal industriatio | 789.6 276.4 | 765.21 269.8 | 767.61 267.91 | 764.91 265.51 | 7881 2761 | 712 269 | 777 | 7641 | 768 269 | 763 266 |
| Fsbricated metal product | 1.451.3 | 1.404.31 | 1.414 .41 | 1.413 .61 | 1.4571 | 1.4301 | 1.4261 | 1,4071 | 1.4191 | 1.418 |
| Machinery, excopt elactrica | 2,147. | 2.145 .3 | 2.143.8 | 2,138.51 | 2.1431 | 2.1461 | 2.1451 | 2,1431 | 2.1401 | 2.134 |
| Elaetrical and clectrenic | 2.051.71 | 1.993. 21 | 1.986.71 | 1.986 .81 | 2,0601 | 2.012 | 1.9921 | 1.9891 | 1.9911 | 1.995 |
| Transportation oquipment. ${ }_{\text {Mot }}$ | 2,066.6\| | 1.918.18 71 | 2.021.31 | 2.021 .31 821.51 | 2.0711 8691 |  | 2.0221 8251 | 1,9201 | 2,019 | 2.021 822 |
| Instruments ond releted pr | 774.01 | 774.81 | 774.1 | 773.21 | 7761 | 778 | 7741 | 7761 | 7761 | 8774 |
| Miseallaneous manufaeturin | 387.91 | 385.71 | 389.01 | 388.31 | 3901 | 389 | 3911 | 395 | 395 | 390 |
| Nondursble goode Production wo | 8.0061 5.6381 | 7,994 5,604 | 7,9831 | 7,9751 | 8,0761 5.693 | 8.0781 5.682 | 8,0801 5.6851 | 8.0681 5.6721 | 8.0541 5.6561 | 8.040 5.639 |
| Food and $k$ | 2,598.6 | $\begin{array}{r} 1.629 .4 \\ 53.4! \end{array}$ | 1,619.81 | 1.611.01 | 1.655 56 | 1.6731 511 | 1.6761 51 | 1.676 | 1.6751 | 1.668 98 |
| Textile mill produc | 727.2 | 715.51 | 712.4 | 710.11 | 7291 | 7211 | 7191 | 718 | 7141 | 712 |
| Apparel and other textila | 1.102.31 | 1.064.01 | 1, 065.01 | 1, 061.01 | 1.1011 | 1.0841 | 1.0811 | 1.0731 | 1.0641 | 1.058 |
| Paper and olliod products |  | 693.41 | 693.11 | , 692.61 | 6971 | ${ }^{6} 697$ | 6971 | 6971 | 6981 | ${ }^{6} 696$ |
| Printing and publishing.... | 1.599.4 | 1,622.81 $1,097$. | 1,624.41 | 1,628.21 $1.100 .3 \mid$ | 1.6001 1,088 | 1,617 1,098 | 1.621 1.1031 | 1.6241 1.1041 | 1.624 1.1061 | 1.627 1.104 |
| Petroleum and coal productz | 158.11 | 159.51 | 160.41 | +161.91 | ${ }^{161} 1$ | 1,69 164 | 1.1631 | 1.1631 | 1651 1 | 1.165 |
| Rubber and misc. plastics peod | 845.51 142 | 323.81 134.8 | 821.01 | 825.31 135. | 8451 | 8351 | 8321 | 8261 | 821 | 824 |
| Leather and leathar producte. | 142.4 | 134.8 | 135.41 | 135.21 | 144 | 138 | 1371 | 1361 | 136 | 136 |
| Service-producing indur | 81.922 | 85,4291 | 83,8821 | 84,441 | 82,2421 | 83.8631 | 84,058 | 84.4131 | 84.605 | 84.727 |
| Transportation and putlic uti Transportation. | 5.607 3.404 | 5,7841 3,5801 | 5,7881 | 5.8081 3.6061 | 5.6661 3.4521 | 5.7531 3.592 | 5.8341 3,6131 | 5,8501 3.6351 | 5,8631 3,6481 | 5.866 5,653 |
| Communication and pubile utilities | 2.2031 | 2,2041 | 2,2021 | 2.202 | 2,2141 | 2.161 | 2,2211 | 2,2151 | 2,215 | 2,213 |
| Wholesel tra Durable goo | 6.154 3.658 | 6.2821 3.7351 | 6.2751 3.7351 | 6.3021 3.7481 | 6.1971 3.6761 | 6.3001 3.7371 | 6.311 | 6.3321 3.7541 | 6.3321 3.751 | 6.343 3.763 |
| Durable goods. <br> Nondurable goed | 3,658 | 3,73511 | 3.7351 2.5401 | 3.748 2.534 | 3.676 2,521 | 3,7371 2,5631 | 3.7461 2.5651 | 3.7541 2.5781 | 3.7581 2.5731 | 3.763 2.580 |
| Retail trade | 19.059 | 19,5251 | 19,278 1 | 19,3311 | 19.488 | 19.744 | 19.718 | 19,822 | 19,793 | 19.766 |
| Generth marchand | 2,398.0 | 2. 558.61 | 2.394 .51 | 2,370.01 | 2.4901 | 2.4921 | 2.4701 | 2,491 | 2.4661 | 2.459 |
| Food stores. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 3.184.3 |  | 3,326.51 | 3.321.a1 | 3.2231 | 3.334 | 3.3411 | 3.361 | 3.3601 | 3.362 |
| Automotive deaiers and service steti | 2.129.4 | 2.144.41 | 2.140 .51 6.195 .6 | 2.145.01 | 2, 6.351 | 2.1691 | 2,1631 | 2.170 | 2.1711 | 2.167 |
| Eating and drinkinn : Escete | 6.164 .2 | 6.148 .51 | 6.195.6 | 6,311.51 | 6.3221 | 6,417 | 6.4321 | 6,4591 | 6.4671 | 6.480 |
| Fingnes, insurance, and rasi ast | 6.7231 | 6.8341 | 6.8491 | 6.8731 | 6,7741 | 6,871 | 6.885 | 6,896 | 6.914 | 6.922 |
| Finance. | 3.306 | 3,3461 | 3,3541 | 3.3551 | 3,316 | 3.357 | 3.3601 | 3,353 | 3.364 | 3.362 |
| Insurance. Rasal istat | 2,115 | 2.1481 1.3401 | 2,1331 1,342 | 2.1621 1.3561 | 2,1171 1,342 | 2.1381 1.3761 | 2,1441 | 2,152 | 2. 2155 | 2.164 |
| Ral estat |  |  |  |  | 1,3411 | 1.376 | 1.3811 | 1.391 | 1,395 | 1.396 |
| Sorvicos........ | 26.4141 | 5.78.061 | 5. 27.4011 | 27.646 | 26.520 | 27.3451 | 27.4191 | 27,537 | 27.706 | 27,757 |
| Businuse service Hoslth serviess | 7,678.21 | 5,783.21 | 5.801.6 | 5.842 .8 8.019 .1 | 5.7361 7.4881 | 5.8521 7.839 | 5.8521 | 5.8851 7.934 | 5.9021 7.981 | 5.908 8.027 |
| Gavarnmen | 17.9651 | 17.9431 | 18.291 | 18,4611 | 17.5971 | 17.8301 | 17,871 |  |  |  |
| Federsi | $\begin{array}{r} 2.9761 \\ 2.97 \end{array}$ | 2.980 | $\begin{array}{r} 10,691 \\ 3,991 \end{array}$ | 3.0621 | 2.9821 | 2,9821 | 2,974 | 17,956 2,998 | 17,998 | 18,073 |
| state. | 4,2131 10,776 | 4.1401 10.8231 | 6.2811 11.019 | 4.3001 | 4.1021 10.515 | 4.1621 | 4.156 | - 4.178 | 4.189 | 4,187 |
| local | 10.776 | 10.823 | 11,0191 | 11.0991 | 10.5151 | 10.6861 | 10,741 | 10.780 | 10.803 | 10.828 |

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Note on temporary eantus workers
The hinng of temporary workers for the 1990 decennal census atiects current levels of Foderal governmemt employmert and higher aggregates. Estumates of these workers are 22.000, 27.000, and 85.000 in January, February, and March 1990, respectively. Preluninary estrnates in this table that incucde these workers may be subfect to larger than normal revisions.

employnes on private nonagricultural meyrolis.

Table B-3. Average hourly and weakly earnings of production or nonsupervisory workersl/ on private nonagricultural payrolls by industry

| Industry | Average hourly earnings |  |  |  | Average weekly earnings |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Mar. } \\ 1989 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Jan. } \\ & 1990 \end{aligned}$ | Feb. <br> $1990 \mathrm{~g} /$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar. } \\ & 1990^{\prime}{ }^{2} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar } \\ & 1989 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Jan. } \\ & 1990 \end{aligned}$ | Feb. 1990 g | Mar. $1990 \mathrm{p}^{\prime}$ |
| Total privete | $\$ 9.56$ | \$9.88 | \$9.91 | \$9.93 | \$328.86 | \$537.90 | $\$ 339.91$ |  |
| Seasonelly adjust | 9.54 | 9.85 | 9.88 | 9.92 | $331.04$ | $339.14$ | $341.85$ | $343.23$ |
| Mining. | 13.15 | 13.31 | 13.31 | 13.38 | 552.301 | 580.32 | 574.99 | 574.00 |
| Construction | 13.26 | 13.42 | 13.42 | 13.46 | 495.921 | 504.59 | 499.22 | 510.13 |
| Manufacturing | 10.41 | 10.59 | 10.66 | 10.73 | 426.811 | 429.95 | 430.66 | 435.64 |
| Durable goods. | 10.93 | 11.05 | 11.17 | 11.24 | 455.781 | 455.26 | 457.97 | 464.21 |
| Lumber and wood oroducts | 8.68 | 9.00 | 8.97 | 9.04 | 345.461 | 359.10 | 353.42 | 361.60 |
| Furniture and fixtures. | 8.13 | 8.45 | 8.40 | 8.43 | 321.951 | 332.93 | 327.60 | 327.93 |
| Stone, clay, and glass pr | 10.62 | 10.87 | 10.85 | 10.95 | 444.981 | 448.93 | 443.77 | 454.43 |
|  | 12.27 | 12.50 14.44 | 12.61 | 12.63 14.57 | 533.751 621.721 | 532.50 623.81 | 533.40 625.05 | 539.30 629.42 |
| Fabriceted metal products. | 10.47 | 10.56 | 10.65 | 10.72 | 436.601 | 435.07 | 437.72 | 444.88 |
| Machinery, except eiectrical | 11.25 | 11.51 | 11.52 | 11.60 | 479.251 | 485.72 | 484.99 | 488.36 |
| Electrical and electronic equ | 10.30 | 10.50 | 10.53 | 10.53 | 417.151 | 430.50 | 429.62 | 429.62 |
| Transportation equipment. . | 13.65 | 13.57 | 13.90 14. | 14.04 14 | 591.051 | 563.16 | 576.85 | 592.49 |
| Motor vahicles and equipmen | 14.28 10.17 | 13.76 10.53 | 14.35 10.55 | 14.64 10.56 | 631.181 419.001 | 561.41 | 591.22 | 625.13 434.02 |
| Instruments and related prod | 10.17 8.23 | 10.53 8.59 | 10.55 8.59 | 10.56 8.64 | 419.001 324.261 | 432.78 | 432.55 336.73 | 434.02 340.42 |
| Nondurable geods | 9.66 | 9.95 | 9.95 | 10.02 | 385.431 | 396.01 |  | 397.79 |
| Food and kindred prod | 9.35 | 9.47 | 9.49 | 9.57 | 372.271 | 381.64 | 376.75 | 381.84 |
| Tobacco manufactures | 15.34 | 15.48 | 15.68 | 16.40 | 556.841 | 582.05 | 591.14 | 628.12 |
| Textile mill product | 7.59 | 7.92 | 7.92 | 7.95 | 311.191 | 318.38 | 315.22 | 317.21 |
| Apparel and other textile | 6.34 | 6.41 | 6.46 | 6.53 | 233.951 | 233.32 | 235.14 | 237.69 |
| Paper and allied products. | 11.84 | 12.13 | 12.11 | 12.14 | 509.121 | 525.23 | 517.10 | 519.59 |
| Printing and publishin | 10.79 | 11.09 | 11.09 | 11.12 | 408.941 | 415.88 | 416.98 | 420.34 |
| Chemicals and allied produ | 12.91 | 13.31 | 13.21 | 13.28 | 546.091 | 568.34 | 556.14 | 563.07 |
| Petroleum and coal products. | 15.46 9.33 | 15.89 9.59 | 15.93 | 16.09 | 667.871 | 699.16 | 700.92 | 716.01 |
| Rubber and mise. plasties or Leather and leather products | 9.33 6.54 | 9.59 6.80 | 9.60 6.82 | 9.68 6.82 | 387.201 244.601 | 394.15 252.96 | 392.64 254.39 | 398.82 255.75 |
| Transportation and public utiliti | 12.46 | 12.80 | 12.82 | 12.82 | 488.451 | 496.64 | 499.98 | 499.98 |
| Wholesale trade | 10.21 | 10.61 | 10.65 | 10.67 | 386.961 | 401.06 | 401.51 | 404.39 |
| Retail tra | 6.48 | 6.74 | 6.73 | 6.73 | 184.68 1 | 189.39 | 190.46 | 191.81 |
| Finance, insurance, and raal estate | 9.43 | 9.82 | 9.91 | 9.91 | 337.591 | 350.57 | 354.78 | 352.80 |
| Services | 9.29 | 9.73 | 9.75 | 9.76 | 301.001 | 315.25 | 316.88 | 317.20 |

if See footnate 1, table E-2.

Table B-4. Average hourly earnings of production or nonsupervisory workersl/ on private nonagricultursl payrolls by industry, sassonally adjusted


| Industry | Hot seasonally adjusted |  |  |  | Seasonally adjusted |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { iMar } \\ & 11989 \end{aligned}$ | $\left\{\begin{array}{l} \operatorname{Jan}, \\ 1990 \end{array}\right.$ | $1 F \mathrm{Fb}_{0_{\mathrm{R}}}$ | Mar. <br> $1990 \mathrm{e} /$ | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{Mar} \\ & 1989 \end{aligned}$ | \| Hov | $\begin{aligned} & \text { \| Dec. } \\ & 1989 \end{aligned}$ | ¡jan. | Feb. <br> 1990 g | Mar. $1990 \mathrm{~g} /$ |
| Total private | 1124.71 | 125.81 | 126.1 | 127.2 | 127.61 | 1129.1 | 128.8 | 129.51 | 130.1 | 130.1 |
| Goods-producing industr | 99.81 | 98.21 | 97.9 | 98.9 | 102.91 | 102.51 | 1101.1 | 102.21 | 102.8 | 102.1 |
| Mining | 78.5 | 85.7 | 84.6 | 84.2 | 81.11 | 86.21 | 85.31 | 87.1 | 87.8 | 86.9 |
| Constructio | 125.1 | 129.6 | 127.0 | 130.7 | 140.31 | 145.81 | 139.51 | 149.51 | 150.5 | 146.2 |
| Manufacturing | 95.91 | 92.7 | 93.0 | 93.5 | 96.71 | 94.81 | 94.5 | 93.7 | 94.3 | 94.2 |
| Durable goods. | 94.41 | 89.7 | 90.6 | 91.3 | 94.91 | 91.91 | 91.6 | 90.31 | 91.7 | 91.7 |
| Lumbar and wood | 101.51 | 99.8 | 98.2 | 99.7 | 105.31 | 103.91 | 1103.2 | 105.11 | 102.7 | 103.2 |
| Furniture and fixtur | 113.6 | 109.9 | 108.5 | 108.1 | 114.31 | 110.21 | 109.11 | 110.5 | 110.0 | 108.6 |
| Stone, clay, and glass pror | 87.51 | 64.21 | 83.0 | 85.5 | 90.51 | 90.01 | 87.7 | 89.61 | 89.2 | 88.4 |
|  | 69.1 53.8 | 65.11 51.11 | 64.9 50.4 | 65.3 50.2 | 68.9 53.6 | 65.61 50.81 | 65.61 51.1 | 64.81 51.31 | 64.9 50.8 | 64.9 |
| Fabricated metel products....... | 91.71 | 86.61 | 87.3 | 88.1 | 92.51 | 89.1 | 88.51 | 86.71 | 88.0 | 88.6 |
| Machinery, except electrical | 94.21 | 93.2 | 92.9 | 92.5 | 93.4 | 92.7 | 92.41 | 92.7 | 92.9 | 91.8 |
| Electrical and olectronic equi | 98.11 | 96.4 | 95.5 | 95.9 | 98.8 | 96.61 | 95.01 | 95.7 | 96.4 | 96.9 |
| Transportation equipment... | 1101.91 | 86.0 | 93.9 | 95.3 | 1101.5 | 92.71 | 95.01 | 85.7 | 93.4 | 94.6 |
| Motor vehicles and equipmant | 92.51 | 66.51 | 80.2 | 83.2 | 191.7 | 82.31 | 82.41 | 67.0 | 80.2 | 82.0 |
| Instruments and related prod | $115 . \frac{1}{2}$ | 115.31 | 114.9 85.3 | 115.4 85.5 | \|115.0| | 115.21 | 114.4 86.31 | 115.2 | 115.0 87.6 | 115.0 86.2 |
| Miscellanoous manufactur | 65.2 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 87 |  |  |
| Nondurable goods | 98.1 | 97.21 | 96.4 | 96.7 | 99.51 | 99.21 | 98.71 | 98.8 | 98.2 | 98.0 |
| Food and kindred prod | 97.4 | 100.91 | 98.6 | 98.5 | 1102.91 | 105.51 | 105.01 | 105.11 | 104.5 | 104.3 |
| Tobacco manufactures | 67.4 | 71.31 | 68.4 | 64.6 | 69.61 | 66.91 | 66.21 | 69.01 | 68.9 | 66.2 |
| Toxtile mill products | 80.71 | 77.31 | 76.3 | 76.1 | 81.01 | 78.81 | 78.11 | 78.31 | 77.0 | 76.6 |
| Apparel and other textile | 85.71 | 81.01 | 81.3 | 80.7 | 85.41 | 83.61 | 82.41 | 82.51 | 81.5 | 80.4 |
| Paper and allied products | 1101.01 | 101.91 | 100.3 | 100.5 | 1102.31 | 102.81 | 102.11 | 102.51 | 101.8 | 101.9 |
| Printing and publishing | 1138.71 | 138.8 | 139.7 | 140.7 | 1138.51 | 139.31 | 138.81 | 140.0 | 140.5 | 140.1 |
| Chemicals and allied oroduct | 1100.11 | 101.71 | 100.9 | 101.6 | 1200.41 | 101.51 | 102.81 | 102.6 | 101.4 | 101.8 |
| Petroleum and cool products | 178.41 | 80.81 114.61 | 81.6 113.9 | 83.4 115.6 | 182.21 | 85.31 | 85.61 115.31 | 83.9 114.5 | 85.7 214.1 | 87.0 115.0 |
| Rubber and mistif plastics prod. | 120.6 | 114.6 | 52.0 | 175.6 | 56.1) | 53.8 | 52.11 | 52.41 | 214.3 | 53.3 |
| Service-producing industries | 1138.5 | 141.11 | 141.7 | 142.8 | [141.21 | 143.9 | 144.1 | 144.61 | 145.2 | 145.6 |
| Transportation and public utilities | 114.31 | 117.11 | 117.8 | 118.3 | 1216.21 | 117.3 | 119.8 | 119.41 | 120.3 | 120.2 |
| Wholesale trade | 124.6 | 126.7 | 126.3 | 127.1 | 126.4 | 128.31 | 128.1 | 128.7 | 128.6 | 129.0 |
| Retail trade | 122.1 | 123.7 | 122.8 | 123.9 | 126.91 | 128.31 | 127.61 | 128.6 | 128.8 | 128.6 |
| Finance. insurance, and real estate. | 140.31 | 142.9 | 143.7 | 143.6 | 141.81 | 143.8 | 144.11 | 144.31 | 145.1 | 145.4 |
| Services | 165.51 | 168.91 | 171.3 | 173.0 | 167.31 | 172.01 | 172.41 | 172.71 | 174.0 | 174.9 |

Table B-6. Diffusion indexes of employment ohange, stasonally adjusted
(Parcent)



[^0]employment increasing plus one- half of the employment increasing plus one- helf of the
50 percent indicates an aqual balanca
betwaen industries with ineremsing and
decreasing emplayment.


[^0]:    1. Based on semsonaliy adjusted data for 1*, 3-, and $6-$ month spans and uniedjusted datis far the
    and 6-month spatis and uniadjusted detzifor the
    p=preliminary.
