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THE EMPLOYMENT SITUATION: FEBRUARY 1996

Nonfarm payroll employment increased by 705,000 in February, and the unemployment rate decreased to 5.5 percent, the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor reported today. The jump in payroll jobs follows a decline of 188,000 in January, which largely reflected the severe weather conditions in the eastern part of the country. The jobless rate has hovered within a relatively narrow range since late 1994.

Unemployment (Household Survey Data)

The unemployment rate fell 0.3 percentage point to 5.5 percent in February, and the number of unemployed persons decreased by 322,000 to 7.4 million. Each had risen by a similar magnitude in January, as revised. The unemployment rate has fluctuated between 5.4 and 5.8 percent since the last quarter of 1994. In February, the jobless rate for adult women decreased by 0.3 percentage point to 4.8 percent; the rate for teenagers dropped 1.6 percentage points to 16.6 percent. The unemployment rates for the other major worker groups--adult men (4.9 percent), whites (4.9 percent), blacks (10.3 percent), and Hispanics (9.7 percent)--showed little or no change over the month. (See tables A-1 and A-2.)

Total Employment and the Labor Force (Household Survey Data)

Total employment increased by 437,000 in February, to 125.7 million. The proportion of the working-age population that was employed (the employment-population ratio) edged up to 62.9 percent; however, the measure was slightly lower than a year earlier. The number of persons working part time for economic reasons increased by 411,000 in February, reversing a decline of similar magnitude in the previous month. (See tables A-1 and A-3.)

The number of persons who held more than one job in February was 7.9 million (not seasonally adjusted). These multiple jobholders made up 6.3 percent of all employed persons, the same as a year earlier. (See table A-9.)

All seasonally adjusted household data have been revised to incorporate updated seasonal adjustment factors, which reflect the 1995 experience. Also, unadjusted household data series have been revised for 1990-93 to reflect 1990 census-based population controls, adjusted for the estimated undercount. As a result, seasonally adjusted data back to 1990 are subject to revision. The January 1995-January 1996 unemployment rates, as originally published and as revised, appear on page 5, along with additional information on the revisions.

In addition, as announced last fall, this release resumes publication of a range of alternative measures of labor underutilization (table A-7).

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

Category	Quarterly averages		Monthly data			Jan. - Feb. change
	1995		1995	1996		
	III	IV	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	
HOUSEHOLD DATA	Labor force status					
Civilian labor force..	132,380	132,432	132,352	132,903	133,018	115
Employment.....	124,909	125,096	124,981	125,226	125,663	437
Unemployment.....	7,471	7,336	7,371	7,677	7,355	-322
Not in labor force....	66,427	66,920	67,156	66,730	66,754	24
	Unemployment rates					
All workers.....	5.6	5.5	5.6	5.8	5.5	-0.3
Adult men.....	4.8	4.7	4.8	4.9	4.9	.0
Adult women.....	5.0	4.8	4.7	5.1	4.8	-.3
Teenagers.....	17.7	17.6	18.0	18.2	16.6	-1.6
White.....	4.9	4.9	4.9	5.0	4.9	-.1
Black.....	10.9	9.9	10.2	10.6	10.3	-.3
Hispanic origin.....	9.2	9.3	9.3	9.2	9.7	.5
ESTABLISHMENT DATA	Employment					
Nonfarm employment....	116,782	117,190	117,357	p117,169	p117,874	p705
Goods-producing 1/..	24,159	24,155	24,173	p24,114	p24,267	p153
Construction.....	5,240	5,293	5,297	p5,314	p5,435	p121
Manufacturing.....	18,344	18,293	18,307	p18,232	p18,258	p26
Service-producing 1/	92,622	93,034	93,184	p93,055	p93,607	p552
Retail trade.....	20,862	20,956	20,981	p20,921	p21,087	p166
Services.....	32,951	33,170	33,248	p33,204	p33,491	p287
Government.....	19,316	19,314	19,328	p19,299	p19,341	p42
	Hours of work 2/					
Total private.....	34.5	34.4	34.3	p33.7	p34.5	p0.8
Manufacturing.....	41.5	41.4	41.2	p39.9	p41.6	p1.7
Overtime.....	4.4	4.4	4.3	p4.1	p4.5	p.4
	Earnings 2/					
Avg. hourly earnings, total private.....	\$11.51	\$11.59	\$11.61	p\$11.66	p\$11.65	p-\$0.01
Avg. weekly earnings, total private.....	396.98	399.19	398.22	p392.94	p401.93	p8.99

1/ Includes other industries, not shown separately.  
p=preliminary.  
2/ Data relate to private production or nonsupervisory workers.  
N.A.= not available.  
NOTE: Household data have been revised based on experience through December 1995.

The size of the civilian labor force was about unchanged in February, at 133.0 million, seasonally adjusted. The labor force participation rate held at 66.6 percent and has shown no clear trend since last spring.

#### Persons Not in the Labor Force (Household Survey Data)

About 1.8 million persons (not seasonally adjusted) were marginally attached to the labor force in February--that is, they wanted and were available for work but had stopped looking for jobs sometime in the prior 12 months. The number of discouraged workers--persons who had stopped looking for work specifically because they believed no jobs were available to them--was 455,000 in February. Both figures were close to their levels of a year earlier. (See table A-9.)

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

Total nonfarm payroll employment rose by 705,000 in February, rebounding strongly from weather-related declines in January. Services, retail trade, and construction all experienced particularly large employment increases. Most other industries also exhibited strong growth following depressed January levels. Overall, job growth during the first 2 months of 1996 averaged 259,000 per month. (See table B-1.)

The services industry added 287,000 jobs in February, following weather-related reductions in the prior month. Business services, which dipped by 31,000 in January, accounted for the largest share of the February increase (126,000). Within business services, employment in help supply services increased by 79,000, after showing no net growth since last September. The number of jobs in building services rose by 24,000 over the month, partly due to the return of 13,000 strikers. Computer services added 14,000 jobs in February, continuing its upward trend. Employment in health services rose by 46,000, in line with its recent trend when combined with January's small gain. Amusement and recreation, social, and educational services showed significant gains in February, due in part to the improved weather conditions.

Retail trade employment rose by 166,000, rebounding sharply from job losses in the prior 2 months. Eating and drinking places, which were particularly affected by the January blizzard, added 62,000 workers over the month. Job gains also were robust in department stores (59,000), partly the result of a weather-related rebound. Automobile dealerships and service stations employment continued to expand, and miscellaneous retail establishments added 24,000 jobs, thereby regaining January's losses. After registering a very small increase in January, employment in wholesale trade rose by 16,000, about its average for 1995.

Construction employment was up by 121,000 in February, seasonally adjusted. Improved weather conditions contributed to this gain, but the industry also has shown underlying strength. Mining employment rose by 6,000 over the month, with 3,000 of this increase in oil and gas extraction.

Manufacturing employment was up 26,000 in February, reflecting the return of employees from weather-related cutbacks. Despite this increase, factory employment was still down by 49,000 since December and 267,000 since its recent peak of March 1995. Auto manufacturers brought back only part of the workforce that was laid off in January due to high inventories. In contrast, the electronic components industry continued its growth trend.

Employment in the transportation industry rose by 23,000 in February, with trucking and warehousing and local transit contributing most of the growth. The finance industry added 9,000 jobs over the month.

Government employment rose by 42,000 in February. This increase was mostly in state and local education, where some nonsalaried employees had been off payrolls in January due to the snowstorm. Federal government employment continued to fall.

#### Weekly Hours (Establishment Survey Data)

The average workweek for production or nonsupervisory workers on private nonfarm payrolls rose sharply in February--0.8 hour--to 34.5 hours, seasonally adjusted, rebounding from the impact of the extreme weather last month. The weather's influence was particularly evident in manufacturing; the factory workweek declined by 1.3 hours in January and increased by 1.7 hours in February. Factory overtime was up by 0.4 hour to 4.5 hours. (See table B-2.)

The index of aggregate weekly hours of private production or nonsupervisory workers on nonfarm payrolls rose by 3.2 percent to 134.5 (1982=100) in February, reflecting a large rebound in both employment and hours. The manufacturing index increased by 4.4 percent to 105.8. (See table B-5.)

#### Hourly and Weekly Earnings (Establishment Survey Data)

Average hourly earnings of private production or nonsupervisory workers on nonfarm payrolls edged down by 1 cent in February, after seasonal adjustment, following a 5-cent rise in January. Average weekly earnings rose by 2.3 percent because of the workweek increase. Over the year, average hourly earnings increased by 2.9 percent and average weekly earnings by 2.6 percent. (See table B-3.)

The Employment Situation for March 1996 is scheduled to be released on Friday, April 5, at 8:30 A.M. (EST).

Revised Household Survey Data

Recent shutdowns and the weather-related closing of many federal agencies, including BLS, delayed the annual revisions in the seasonally adjusted household survey series. These revisions are being introduced with the publication of February 1996 data, 2 months later than usual. In addition, unadjusted series for 1990-93 have been revised to incorporate 1990 census-based population controls, adjusted for the estimated undercount. Thus, seasonally adjusted data for January 1990-January 1996 are subject to revision.

Table B summarizes the effects of the revisions on the overall unemployment rate since January 1995. Rates were revised in only 2 months, each by 0.1 percentage point. Revised seasonally adjusted data for major labor force series, also since January 1995, appear in table C.

The March 1996 issue of Employment and Earnings will contain the new seasonal adjustment factors for major series for the January-June 1996 period. The publication also will contain a description of the 1990-93 population revisions, the current seasonal adjustment methodology, and revised data for the most recent 13 months for all regularly published tables containing seasonally adjusted household survey data. Revised monthly data for the January 1990-January 1996 revision period for several labor force series also will be published in the March 1996 issue. Microcomputer diskettes of historical seasonally adjusted monthly data may be purchased from BLS; contact Gloria P. Green on 202-606-6373. Historical seasonally adjusted monthly data also are available on the INTERNET. INTERNET users can access these data from the <ftp://stats.bls.gov/pub/special.requests/lf> directory.

Table B. Seasonally adjusted unemployment rates and change due to revision, January 1995-January 1996

Month and year	As first computed	As revised	Change
1995: January.	5.7	5.7	.0
February.....	5.4	5.4	.0
March.....	5.5	5.5	.0
April.....	5.8	5.7	-0.1
May.....	5.7	5.6	-.1
June.....	5.6	5.6	.0
July.....	5.7	5.7	.0
August.....	5.6	5.6	.0
September.....	5.6	5.6	.0
October.....	5.5	5.5	.0
November.....	5.6	5.6	.0
December.....	5.6	5.6	.0
1996: January.	5.8	5.8	.0

New Seasonal Adjustment Procedures for  
Establishment-Based Series

BLS plans to implement improved seasonal adjustment procedures for the nonfarm payroll employment, hours, and earnings series effective with the release of annual benchmark revisions and May 1996 preliminary estimates on June 7, 1996. The new seasonal adjustment procedures identify and control for the effects of varying time intervals between surveys (also known as the 4-vs. 5-week effect) and are based on X-12 ARIMA software newly developed by the Bureau of the Census. Historical data series from January 1988 forward will be revised to incorporate the new methodology. Further information on this planned change is available upon request. (Contact Patricia Getz at 202-606-6521.)

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

Employment status,  sex, and age	1995												1996
	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.
TOTAL													
Civilian noninstitutional population1/	197753	197886	198007	198148	198286	198453	198615	198801	199005	199192	199355	199508	199634
Civilian labor force.....	132170	132078	132391	132529	132058	131962	132342	132298	132501	132473	132471	132352	132903
Participation rate.....	66.8	66.7	66.9	66.9	66.6	66.5	66.6	66.5	66.6	66.5	66.4	66.3	66.6
Employed.....	124671	124881	125106	124973	124598	124566	124832	124859	125036	125244	125062	124981	125226
Employment-population ratio.....	63.0	63.1	63.2	63.1	62.8	62.8	62.9	62.8	62.8	62.9	62.7	62.6	62.7
Unemployed.....	7,499	7,197	7,285	7,556	7,460	7,396	7,510	7,439	7,465	7,229	7,409	7,371	7,677
Unemployment rate.....	5.7	5.4	5.5	5.7	5.6	5.6	5.7	5.6	5.6	5.5	5.6	5.6	5.8
Men, 20 years and over													
Civilian noninstitutional population1/	87,528	87,572	87,622	87,664	87,691	87,750	87,818	87,905	87,940	88,027	88,046	88,172	88,223
Civilian labor force.....	67,593	67,451	67,563	67,479	67,283	67,281	67,264	67,218	67,286	67,193	67,171	67,133	67,563
Participation rate.....	77.2	77.0	77.1	77.0	76.7	76.7	76.6	76.5	76.5	76.3	76.3	76.1	76.6
Employed.....	64,190	64,355	64,367	64,196	63,951	64,039	64,031	63,982	64,023	64,146	63,901	63,879	64,246
Employment-population ratio.....	73.3	73.5	73.5	73.2	72.9	73.0	72.9	72.8	72.8	72.9	72.6	72.4	72.8
Agriculture.....	2,397	2,463	2,481	2,371	2,241	2,331	2,321	2,297	2,296	2,351	2,259	2,252	2,399
Nonagricultural industries....	61,793	61,892	61,886	61,825	61,710	61,708	61,710	61,685	61,727	61,795	61,642	61,627	61,848
Unemployed.....	3,403	3,096	3,196	3,283	3,332	3,242	3,233	3,236	3,263	3,047	3,270	3,254	3,317
Unemployment rate.....	5.0	4.6	4.7	4.9	5.0	4.8	4.8	4.8	4.8	4.5	4.9	4.8	4.9
Women, 20 years and over													
Civilian noninstitutional population1/	95,961	96,020	96,037	96,099	96,141	96,204	96,265	96,327	96,409	96,487	96,555	96,633	96,717
Civilian labor force.....	56,913	56,965	57,028	57,273	57,027	56,896	57,315	57,291	57,387	57,516	57,502	57,426	57,591
Participation rate.....	59.3	59.3	59.4	59.6	59.3	59.1	59.5	59.5	59.5	59.6	59.6	59.4	59.5
Employed.....	54,109	54,177	54,226	54,339	54,243	54,059	54,422	54,458	54,568	54,661	54,752	54,715	54,642
Employment-population ratio.....	56.4	56.4	56.5	56.5	56.4	56.2	56.5	56.5	56.6	56.7	56.7	56.6	56.5
Agriculture.....	873	879	881	874	835	813	801	811	778	816	806	816	857
Nonagricultural industries....	53,236	53,298	53,345	53,465	53,408	53,246	53,621	53,647	53,790	53,845	53,946	53,899	53,785
Unemployed.....	2,804	2,788	2,802	2,934	2,784	2,837	2,893	2,833	2,819	2,855	2,750	2,711	2,949
Unemployment rate.....	4.9	4.9	4.9	5.1	4.9	5.0	5.0	4.9	4.9	5.0	4.8	4.7	5.1
Both sexes, 16 to 19 years													
Civilian noninstitutional population1/	14,263	14,294	14,348	14,385	14,454	14,498	14,531	14,569	14,657	14,678	14,754	14,703	14,694
Civilian labor force.....	7,664	7,662	7,800	7,777	7,748	7,785	7,763	7,789	7,828	7,764	7,798	7,793	7,749
Participation rate.....	53.7	53.6	54.4	54.1	53.6	53.7	53.4	53.5	53.4	52.9	52.9	53.0	52.7
Employed.....	6,372	6,349	6,513	6,438	6,404	6,468	6,379	6,419	6,445	6,437	6,409	6,387	6,338
Employment-population ratio.....	44.7	44.4	45.4	44.8	44.3	44.6	43.9	44.1	44.0	43.9	43.4	43.4	43.1
Agriculture.....	287	254	274	283	284	291	287	268	261	267	258	257	273
Nonagricultural industries....	6,085	6,095	6,239	6,155	6,120	6,177	6,092	6,151	6,184	6,170	6,151	6,130	6,065
Unemployed.....	1,292	1,313	1,287	1,339	1,344	1,317	1,384	1,370	1,383	1,327	1,389	1,406	1,412
Unemployment rate.....	16.9	17.1	16.5	17.2	17.3	16.9	17.8	17.6	17.7	17.1	17.8	18.0	18.2

1/ The population figures are not adjusted for seasonal variation.  
NOTE: Seasonally adjusted data have been revised based on the experience through December 1995.

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Table A-1. Employment 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>					
	Feb.	Jan.	Feb.	Feb.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.
	1995	1996	1996	1995	1995	1995	1995	1996	1996
TOTAL									
Civilian noninstitutional population.....	197,886	199,634	199,773	197,886	199,192	199,355	199,508	199,634	199,773
Civilian labor force.....	131,028	131,396	131,995	132,078	132,473	132,471	132,352	132,903	133,018
Participation rate.....	66.2	65.8	66.1	66.7	66.5	66.4	66.3	66.6	66.6
Employed.....	123,343	123,126	124,137	124,881	125,244	125,062	124,981	125,226	125,663
Employment-population ratio.....	62.3	61.7	62.1	63.1	62.9	62.7	62.6	62.7	62.9
Agriculture.....	3,171	3,068	3,102	3,596	3,434	3,323	3,325	3,529	3,519
Nonagricultural industries.....	120,172	120,058	121,035	121,285	121,810	121,739	121,656	121,698	122,143
Unemployed.....	7,685	8,270	7,858	7,197	7,229	7,409	7,371	7,677	7,355
Unemployment rate.....	5.9	6.3	6.0	5.4	5.5	5.6	5.6	5.8	5.5
Not in labor force.....	66,857	68,238	67,777	65,808	66,719	66,884	67,156	66,730	66,754
Men, 16 years and over									
Civilian noninstitutional population.....	94,818	95,713	95,786	94,818	95,492	95,580	95,661	95,713	95,786
Civilian labor force.....	70,691	70,612	71,011	71,444	71,238	71,208	71,182	71,593	71,743
Participation rate.....	74.6	73.8	74.1	75.3	74.6	74.5	74.4	74.8	74.9
Employed.....	66,333	66,006	66,481	67,612	67,416	67,177	67,162	67,501	67,764
Employment-population ratio.....	70.0	69.0	69.4	71.3	70.6	70.3	70.2	70.5	70.7
Unemployed.....	4,358	4,605	4,529	3,832	3,822	4,031	4,020	4,092	3,979
Unemployment rate.....	6.2	6.5	6.4	5.4	5.4	5.7	5.6	5.7	5.5
Men, 20 years and over									
Civilian noninstitutional population.....	87,572	88,223	88,296	87,572	88,027	88,046	88,172	88,223	88,296
Civilian labor force.....	67,060	66,990	67,355	67,451	67,193	67,171	67,133	67,563	67,719
Participation rate.....	76.6	75.9	76.3	77.0	76.3	76.3	76.1	76.6	76.7
Employed.....	63,445	63,129	63,521	64,355	64,146	63,901	63,879	64,246	64,425
Employment-population ratio.....	72.4	71.6	71.9	73.5	72.9	72.6	72.4	72.8	73.0
Agriculture.....	2,224	2,147	2,160	2,463	2,351	2,259	2,252	2,399	2,382
Nonagricultural industries.....	61,222	60,982	61,361	61,892	61,795	61,642	61,627	61,848	62,044
Unemployed.....	3,615	3,861	3,834	3,096	3,047	3,270	3,254	3,317	3,294
Unemployment rate.....	5.4	5.8	5.7	4.6	4.5	4.9	4.8	4.9	4.9
Women, 16 years and over									
Civilian noninstitutional population.....	103,068	103,921	103,986	103,068	103,700	103,775	103,847	103,921	103,986
Civilian labor force.....	60,337	60,784	60,985	60,634	61,235	61,263	61,170	61,310	61,275
Participation rate.....	58.5	58.5	58.6	58.8	59.1	59.0	58.9	59.0	58.9
Employed.....	57,011	57,119	57,656	57,269	57,828	57,885	57,819	57,725	57,899
Employment-population ratio.....	55.3	55.0	55.4	55.6	55.8	55.8	55.7	55.5	55.7
Unemployed.....	3,327	3,665	3,329	3,365	3,407	3,378	3,351	3,585	3,376
Unemployment rate.....	5.5	6.0	5.5	5.5	5.6	5.5	5.5	5.8	5.5
Women, 20 years and over									
Civilian noninstitutional population.....	96,020	96,717	96,757	96,020	96,487	96,555	96,633	96,717	96,757
Civilian labor force.....	56,952	57,352	57,579	56,965	57,516	57,502	57,426	57,591	57,570
Participation rate.....	59.3	59.3	59.5	59.3	59.6	59.6	59.4	59.5	59.5
Employed.....	54,165	54,264	54,805	54,177	54,661	54,752	54,715	54,642	54,790
Employment-population ratio.....	56.4	56.1	56.6	56.4	56.7	56.7	56.6	56.5	56.6
Agriculture.....	782	748	759	879	816	806	816	857	851
Nonagricultural industries.....	53,382	53,516	54,046	53,298	53,845	53,946	53,899	53,785	53,938
Unemployed.....	2,787	3,088	2,774	2,788	2,855	2,750	2,711	2,949	2,780
Unemployment rate.....	4.9	5.4	4.8	4.9	5.0	4.8	4.7	5.1	4.8
Both sexes, 16 to 19 years									
Civilian noninstitutional population.....	14,294	14,694	14,719	14,294	14,678	14,754	14,703	14,694	14,719
Civilian labor force.....	7,016	7,054	7,061	7,662	7,764	7,798	7,793	7,749	7,729
Participation rate.....	49.1	48.0	48.0	53.6	52.9	52.9	53.0	52.7	52.5
Employed.....	5,734	5,733	5,811	6,349	6,437	6,409	6,387	6,338	6,448
Employment-population ratio.....	40.1	39.0	39.5	44.4	43.9	43.4	43.4	43.1	43.8
Agriculture.....	166	173	183	254	267	258	257	273	286
Nonagricultural industries.....	5,568	5,560	5,627	6,095	6,170	6,151	6,130	6,065	6,161
Unemployed.....	1,283	1,322	1,250	1,313	1,327	1,389	1,406	1,412	1,282
Unemployment rate.....	18.3	18.7	17.7	17.1	17.1	17.8	18.0	18.2	16.6

1/ The population figures are not adjusted for seasonal variation; therefore, identical numbers appear in the unadjusted and seasonally adjusted columns.  
NOTE: Seasonally adjusted data have been revised based on the experience through December 1995.

Table A-2. 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			1/ Seasonally adjusted					
	Feb. 1995	Jan. 1996	Feb. 1996	Feb. 1995	Oct. 1995	Nov. 1995	Dec. 1995	Jan. 1996	Feb. 1996
WHITE									
Civilian noninstitutional population.....	166,444	167,669	167,757	166,444	167,327	167,441	167,545	167,669	167,757
Civilian labor force.....	110,915	111,180	111,876	111,816	112,147	112,023	111,987	112,198	112,747
Participation rate.....	66.6	66.3	66.7	67.2	67.0	66.9	66.8	66.9	67.2
Employed.....	105,142	104,900	105,887	106,527	106,761	106,451	106,445	106,576	107,244
Employment-population ratio.....	63.2	62.6	63.1	64.0	63.8	63.6	63.5	63.6	63.9
Unemployed.....	5,774	6,280	5,989	5,289	5,386	5,572	5,542	5,623	5,502
Unemployment rate.....	5.2	5.6	5.4	4.7	4.8	5.0	4.9	5.0	4.9
Men, 20 years and over									
Civilian labor force.....	57,455	57,593	57,855	57,789	57,717	57,679	57,693	57,894	58,162
Participation rate.....	76.9	76.6	76.9	77.4	76.9	76.8	76.8	77.0	77.3
Employed.....	54,490	54,606	54,908	55,419	55,383	55,150	55,206	55,438	55,688
Employment-population ratio.....	73.1	72.6	73.0	74.2	73.8	73.4	73.5	73.7	74.0
Unemployed.....	2,835	2,987	2,947	2,370	2,334	2,529	2,487	2,456	2,475
Unemployment rate.....	4.9	5.2	5.1	4.1	4.0	4.4	4.3	4.2	4.3
Women, 20 years and over									
Civilian labor force.....	47,479	47,546	47,922	47,535	47,909	47,832	47,772	47,727	47,968
Participation rate.....	59.1	58.8	59.3	59.1	59.4	59.2	59.1	59.0	59.3
Employed.....	45,490	45,285	45,846	45,551	45,820	45,796	45,722	45,604	45,892
Employment-population ratio.....	56.6	56.0	56.7	56.7	56.8	56.7	56.6	56.4	56.8
Unemployed.....	1,989	2,261	2,076	1,984	2,089	2,036	2,050	2,123	2,076
Unemployment rate.....	4.2	4.8	4.3	4.2	4.4	4.3	4.3	4.4	4.3
Both sexes, 16 to 19 years									
Civilian labor force.....	5,982	6,041	6,098	6,492	6,521	6,512	6,522	6,577	6,616
Participation rate.....	52.6	52.0	52.3	57.1	56.5	56.3	56.2	56.6	56.8
Employed.....	5,032	5,008	5,133	5,557	5,558	5,505	5,517	5,533	5,665
Employment-population ratio.....	44.3	43.1	44.0	48.9	48.1	47.6	47.5	47.6	48.6
Unemployed.....	950	1,033	965	935	963	1,007	1,005	1,044	951
Unemployment rate.....	15.9	17.1	15.8	14.4	14.8	15.5	15.4	15.9	14.4
Men.....	17.7	18.7	17.2	15.7	16.8	16.4	16.0	16.6	15.2
Women.....	13.9	15.3	14.3	13.0	12.5	14.5	14.7	15.1	13.4
BLACK									
Civilian noninstitutional population.....	23,117	23,424	23,455	23,117	23,357	23,389	23,419	23,424	23,455
Civilian labor force.....	14,622	14,752	14,632	14,841	14,856	15,006	14,959	14,993	14,827
Participation rate.....	63.3	63.0	62.4	64.2	63.6	64.2	63.9	64.0	63.2
Employed.....	13,108	13,152	13,116	13,307	13,370	13,558	13,436	13,409	13,302
Employment-population ratio.....	56.7	56.1	55.9	57.6	57.2	58.0	57.4	57.2	56.7
Unemployed.....	1,514	1,600	1,516	1,534	1,486	1,448	1,523	1,584	1,525
Unemployment rate.....	10.4	10.8	10.4	10.3	10.0	9.6	10.2	10.6	10.3
Men, 20 years and over									
Civilian labor force.....	6,742	6,657	6,713	6,817	6,676	6,664	6,683	6,748	6,775
Participation rate.....	72.9	71.2	71.7	73.7	71.7	71.8	71.5	72.2	72.3
Employed.....	6,140	5,969	5,992	6,245	6,125	6,108	6,062	6,141	6,089
Employment-population ratio.....	66.4	63.8	64.0	67.5	65.7	65.8	64.9	65.7	65.0
Unemployed.....	602	689	721	572	551	556	621	607	686
Unemployment rate.....	8.9	10.3	10.7	8.4	8.3	8.3	9.3	9.0	10.1
Women, 20 years and over									
Civilian labor force.....	7,113	7,315	7,181	7,137	7,259	7,366	7,317	7,343	7,193
Participation rate.....	61.2	62.2	61.0	61.4	61.9	62.7	62.2	62.4	61.1
Employed.....	6,475	6,651	6,616	6,497	6,637	6,789	6,751	6,678	6,630
Employment-population ratio.....	55.7	56.5	56.2	55.9	56.6	57.8	57.4	56.8	56.3
Unemployed.....	638	664	565	640	622	577	566	665	563
Unemployment rate.....	9.0	9.1	7.9	9.0	8.6	7.8	7.7	9.1	7.8
Both sexes, 16 to 19 years									
Civilian labor force.....	768	780	738	887	921	976	959	902	860
Participation rate.....	34.2	33.8	31.9	39.5	39.9	41.2	41.4	39.1	37.2
Employed.....	493	532	507	565	608	661	623	590	583
Employment-population ratio.....	22.0	23.1	21.9	25.2	26.3	27.9	26.9	25.6	25.2
Unemployed.....	275	248	230	322	313	315	336	312	276
Unemployment rate.....	35.8	31.8	31.2	36.3	34.0	32.3	35.0	34.6	32.1
Men.....	40.2	37.3	31.0	38.9	35.3	33.7	39.0	39.1	30.6
Women.....	31.3	27.1	31.4	33.5	32.7	30.8	31.4	30.4	33.6
HISPANIC ORIGIN									
Civilian noninstitutional population.....	18,413	18,929	18,977	18,413	18,800	18,845	18,889	18,929	18,977
Civilian labor force.....	11,944	12,393	12,503	12,101	12,410	12,374	12,391	12,655	12,666
Participation rate.....	64.9	65.5	65.9	65.7	66.0	65.7	65.6	66.9	66.7
Employed.....	10,779	11,102	11,203	11,001	11,251	11,227	11,237	11,493	11,432
Employment-population ratio.....	58.5	58.7	59.0	59.7	59.8	59.6	59.5	60.7	60.2
Unemployed.....	1,165	1,291	1,299	1,100	1,159	1,147	1,154	1,162	1,234
Unemployment rate.....	9.8	10.4	10.4	9.1	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.2	9.7

1/ The population figures are not adjusted for seasonal variation; therefore, identical numbers appear in the unadjusted and seasonally adjusted columns.  
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 1995.



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

Category	Not seasonally adjusted			Seasonally adjusted					
	Feb.	Jan.	Feb.	Feb.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.
	1995	1996	1996	1995	1995	1995	1995	1996	1996
CHARACTERISTIC									
Total employed, 16 years and over.....	123,343	123,126	124,137	124,881	125,244	125,062	124,981	125,226	125,663
Married men, spouse present.....	41,726	41,580	41,958	42,114	42,281	42,081	42,058	42,171	42,339
Married women, spouse present.....	31,988	31,854	32,197	31,906	32,185	32,153	32,072	32,078	32,101
Women who maintain families.....	7,095	7,214	7,310	7,081	7,089	7,274	7,304	7,294	7,295
OCCUPATION									
Managerial and professional specialty.....	34,982	35,614	35,957	34,888	35,758	35,730	35,712	35,682	35,866
Technical, sales, and administrative support....	37,275	36,761	37,141	37,411	37,337	37,291	36,999	37,057	37,328
Service occupations.....	16,940	16,487	16,744	16,935	16,994	16,947	16,964	16,755	16,727
Precision production, craft, and repair.....	13,160	13,302	13,331	13,634	13,459	13,344	13,445	13,615	13,786
Operators, fabricators, and laborers.....	17,763	17,755	17,763	18,160	18,034	18,213	18,264	18,257	18,147
Farming, forestry, and fishing.....	3,222	3,207	3,201	3,777	3,692	3,590	3,599	3,760	3,744
CLASS OF WORKER									
Agriculture:									
Wage and salary workers.....	1,614	1,609	1,655	1,917	1,806	1,750	1,755	1,964	1,954
Self-employed workers.....	1,534	1,420	1,418	1,663	1,543	1,514	1,521	1,547	1,531
Unpaid family workers.....	24	40	30	27	49	34	46	48	34
Nonagricultural industries:									
Wage and salary workers.....	111,245	111,267	112,062	112,292	112,777	112,722	112,618	112,568	113,165
Government.....	18,596	18,044	18,369	18,484	18,244	18,288	18,237	18,044	18,259
Private industries.....	92,649	93,223	93,693	93,808	94,533	94,434	94,381	94,524	94,906
Private households.....	1,002	874	874	1,004	973	980	975	931	873
Other industries.....	91,647	92,349	92,819	92,804	93,560	93,454	93,406	93,593	94,032
Self-employed workers.....	8,814	8,708	8,863	8,896	8,913	8,853	8,877	8,913	8,953
Unpaid family workers.....	112	83	110	118	102	105	106	85	116
PERSONS AT WORK PART TIME									
All industries:									
Part time for economic reasons.....	4,567	4,320	4,597	4,468	4,433	4,435	4,447	4,091	4,502
Slack work or business conditions.....	2,633	2,580	2,766	2,400	2,520	2,526	2,537	2,250	2,533
Could only find part-time work.....	1,656	1,466	1,542	1,741	1,652	1,648	1,615	1,509	1,621
Part time for noneconomic reasons.....	18,763	17,542	18,386	17,910	17,678	17,452	17,405	17,198	17,493
Nonagricultural industries:									
Part time for economic reasons.....	4,304	4,103	4,351	4,225	4,274	4,283	4,306	3,842	4,274
Slack work or business conditions.....	2,471	2,427	2,595	2,255	2,426	2,419	2,440	2,114	2,382
Could only find part-time work.....	1,606	1,444	1,530	1,688	1,610	1,622	1,583	1,472	1,607
Part time for noneconomic reasons.....	18,164	16,933	17,846	17,240	17,054	16,852	16,804	16,520	16,884

NOTE: Persons at work excludes employed persons who were absent from their jobs during the entire reference week for reasons such as vacation, illness, or industrial dispute. Part time for noneconomic reasons excludes persons who usually work full time but worked only 1 to 34 hours during the reference week for reasons such as holidays, illness, and bad weather. Seasonally adjusted data have been revised based on the experience through December 1995.

Table A-4. Selected unemployment indicators, seasonally adjusted

Category	Number of unemployed persons (in thousands)			Unemployment rates1/					
	Feb. 1995	Jan. 1996	Feb. 1996	Feb. 1995	Oct. 1995	Nov. 1995	Dec. 1995	Jan. 1996	Feb. 1996
CHARACTERISTIC									
Total, 16 years and over.....	7,197	7,677	7,355	5.4	5.5	5.6	5.6	5.8	5.5
Men, 20 years and over.....	3,096	3,317	3,294	4.6	4.5	4.9	4.8	4.9	4.9
Women, 20 years and over.....	2,788	2,949	2,780	4.9	5.0	4.8	4.7	5.1	4.8
Both sexes, 16 to 19 years.....	1,313	1,412	1,282	17.1	17.1	17.8	18.0	18.2	16.6
Married men, spouse present.....	1,351	1,429	1,306	3.1	3.2	3.3	3.2	3.3	3.0
Married women, spouse present.....	1,247	1,336	1,268	3.8	3.9	3.8	3.8	4.0	3.8
Women who maintain families.....	643	651	594	8.3	7.9	7.7	6.8	8.2	7.5
Full-time workers.....	5,713	6,116	5,853	5.3	5.4	5.5	5.5	5.7	5.4
Part-time workers.....	1,490	1,472	1,516	6.0	5.9	5.9	5.9	6.0	6.2
2/									
OCCUPATION									
Managerial and professional specialty.....	812	896	834	2.3	2.4	2.5	2.5	2.4	2.3
Technical, sales, and administrative support...	1,723	1,777	1,763	4.4	4.5	4.2	4.4	4.6	4.5
Precision production, craft, and repair.....	802	766	858	5.6	6.1	6.5	5.8	5.3	5.9
Operators, fabricators, and laborers.....	1,567	1,656	1,631	7.9	8.1	8.3	8.4	8.3	8.2
Farming, forestry, and fishing.....	308	347	314	7.5	8.3	7.8	7.7	8.4	7.7
INDUSTRY									
Nonagricultural private wage and salary workers	5,560	5,842	5,701	5.6	5.7	5.8	5.8	5.8	5.7
Goods-producing industries.....	1,677	1,790	1,819	6.0	6.5	6.7	6.5	6.3	6.4
Mining.....	35	32	40	5.0	8.7	7.0	8.1	5.2	6.5
Construction.....	682	704	750	10.7	11.7	12.0	11.5	10.7	11.2
Manufacturing.....	960	1,054	1,029	4.6	4.8	5.0	5.0	5.0	4.9
Durable goods.....	507	554	652	4.2	4.3	4.5	4.4	4.4	5.3
Nondurable goods.....	453	500	377	5.2	5.6	5.8	5.8	5.7	4.4
Service-producing industries.....	3,883	4,051	3,882	5.4	5.5	5.4	5.5	5.6	5.4
Transportation and public utilities.....	328	260	272	4.5	4.3	4.2	4.6	3.7	3.8
Wholesale and retail trade.....	1,665	1,759	1,634	6.5	6.3	6.3	6.4	6.8	6.3
Finance, insurance, and real estate.....	256	204	164	3.4	3.3	3.0	3.2	2.9	2.2
Services.....	1,634	1,828	1,812	5.3	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.7	5.7
Government workers.....	555	514	564	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.8	2.8	3.0
Agricultural wage and salary workers.....	208	231	235	9.8	12.2	12.0	12.6	10.5	10.7

1/ Unemployment as a percent of the civilian labor force.  
2/ Seasonally adjusted unemployment data for service occupations are not available because the seasonal component, which is small relative to the trend-cycle and irregular components, cannot be separated with sufficient precision.  
NOTE: Data have been revised based on the experience through December 1995.

Table A-5. Duration of unemployment

(Numbers in thousands)

Duration	Not seasonally adjusted			Seasonally adjusted					
	Feb. 1995	Jan. 1996	Feb. 1996	Feb. 1995	Oct. 1995	Nov. 1995	Dec. 1995	Jan. 1996	Feb. 1996
NUMBER OF UNEMPLOYED									
Less than 5 weeks.....	2,431	3,301	2,578	2,628	2,744	2,767	2,717	2,784	2,793
5 to 14 weeks.....	2,717	2,485	2,796	2,207	2,348	2,383	2,431	2,413	2,280
15 weeks and over.....	2,537	2,483	2,485	2,342	2,281	2,305	2,322	2,370	2,307
15 to 26 weeks.....	1,257	1,215	1,237	1,132	1,010	1,057	1,085	1,118	1,126
27 weeks and over.....	1,280	1,268	1,247	1,210	1,271	1,248	1,237	1,252	1,181
Average (mean) duration, in weeks.....	16.9	15.5	16.3	17.1	16.2	16.3	16.2	16.0	16.6
Median duration, in weeks.....	8.6	7.9	8.3	8.2	8.1	8.0	8.1	8.3	8.0
PERCENT DISTRIBUTION									
Total unemployed.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Less than 5 weeks.....	31.6	39.9	32.8	36.6	37.2	37.1	36.4	36.8	37.8
5 to 14 weeks.....	35.4	30.1	35.6	30.8	31.8	32.0	32.5	31.9	30.9
15 weeks and over.....	33.0	30.0	31.6	32.6	30.9	30.9	31.1	31.3	31.3
15 to 26 weeks.....	16.4	14.7	15.7	15.8	13.7	14.2	14.5	14.8	15.3
27 weeks and over.....	16.7	15.3	15.9	16.9	17.2	16.7	16.6	16.5	16.0

NOTE: Seasonally adjusted data have been revised based on the experience through December 1995.

Table A-6. Reason for unemployment

(Numbers in thousands)

Reason	Not seasonally adjusted			Seasonally adjusted					
	Feb.	Jan.	Feb.	Feb.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.
	1995	1996	1996	1995	1995	1995	1995	1996	1996
NUMBER OF UNEMPLOYED									
Job losers and persons who completed temporary jobs.....	3,923	4,425	4,099	3,427	3,457	3,485	3,484	3,606	3,595
On temporary layoff.....	1,426	1,728	1,458	1,016	1,018	1,049	1,012	1,132	1,032
Not on temporary layoff.....	2,497	2,697	2,641	2,411	2,439	2,436	2,472	2,474	2,564
Permanent job losers.....	1,731	1,853	1,883	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)
Persons who completed temporary jobs.....	766	844	758	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)
Job leavers.....	817	803	776	780	762	857	881	869	747
Reentrants.....	2,459	2,503	2,465	2,514	2,506	2,504	2,466	2,458	2,517
New entrants.....	486	540	519	585	559	585	603	641	613
PERCENT DISTRIBUTION									
Total unemployed.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Job losers and persons who completed temporary jobs.....	51.1	53.5	52.2	46.9	47.5	46.9	46.9	47.6	48.1
On temporary layoff.....	18.6	20.9	18.6	13.9	14.0	14.1	13.6	14.9	13.8
Not on temporary layoff.....	32.5	32.6	33.6	33.0	33.5	32.8	33.3	32.7	34.3
Job leavers.....	10.6	9.7	9.9	10.7	10.5	11.5	11.9	11.5	10.0
Reentrants.....	32.0	30.3	31.4	34.4	34.4	33.7	33.2	32.5	33.7
New entrants.....	6.3	6.5	6.6	8.0	7.7	7.9	8.1	8.5	8.2
UNEMPLOYED AS A PERCENT OF THE									
CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE									
Job losers and persons who completed temporary jobs.....	3.0	3.4	3.1	2.6	2.6	2.6	2.6	2.7	2.7
Job leavers.....	.6	.6	.6	.6	.6	.6	.7	.7	.6
Reentrants.....	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.8	1.9
New entrants.....	.4	.4	.4	.4	.4	.4	.5	.5	.5

1/ Not available.  
NOTE: Seasonally adjusted data have been revised based on the experience through December 1995.

Table A-7. Range of alternative measures of labor underutilization  
(Percent)

Measure	Not seasonally adjusted			Seasonally adjusted					
	Feb. 1995	Jan. 1996	Feb. 1996	Feb. 1995	Oct. 1995	Nov. 1995	Dec. 1995	Jan. 1996	Feb. 1996
U-1 Persons unemployed 15 weeks or longer, as a percent of the civilian labor force.....	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.8	1.7	1.7	1.8	1.8	1.7
U-2 Job losers and persons who completed temporary jobs, as a percent of the civilian labor force.....	3.0	3.4	3.1	2.6	2.6	2.6	2.6	2.7	2.7
U-3 Total unemployed, as a percent of the civilian labor force (official unemployment rate)	5.9	6.3	6.0	5.4	5.5	5.6	5.6	5.8	5.5
U-4 Total unemployed plus discouraged workers, as a percent of the civilian labor force plus discouraged workers.....	6.2	6.6	6.3	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)
U-5 Total unemployed, plus discouraged workers, plus all other marginally attached workers, as a percent of the civilian labor force plus all marginally attached workers.....	7.1	7.5	7.2	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)
U-6 Total unemployed, plus all marginally attached workers, plus total employed part time for economic reasons, as a percent of the civilian labor force plus all marginally attached workers.....	10.5	10.8	10.7	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)

1/ Not available.

NOTE: This range of alternative measures of labor underutilization replaces the U1-U7 range published in table A-7 of this release prior to 1994. Marginally attached workers are persons who currently are neither working nor looking for work but indicate that they want and are available for a job and have looked for work sometime in the recent past. Discouraged workers, a subset of the marginally attached, have given a job-market related reason for not currently looking for a job. Persons employed part time for economic reasons are those who want and are available for full-time work but have had to settle for a part-time schedule. For further information, see "BLS introduces new range of alternative unemployment measures," in the October 1995 issue of the Monthly Labor Review. Seasonally adjusted data have been revised based on the experience through December 1995.

Table A-8. Unemployed persons by age and sex, seasonally adjusted

Age and sex	Number of unemployed persons (in thousands)			Unemployment rates1/					
	Feb. 1995	Jan. 1996	Feb. 1996	Feb. 1995	Oct. 1995	Nov. 1995	Dec. 1995	Jan. 1996	Feb. 1996
Total, 16 years and over.....	7,197	7,677	7,355	5.4	5.5	5.6	5.6	5.8	5.5
16 to 24 years.....	2,518	2,750	2,616	11.7	12.2	12.1	12.5	13.0	12.4
16 to 19 years.....	1,313	1,412	1,282	17.1	17.1	17.8	18.0	18.2	16.6
16 to 17 years.....	647	649	642	20.1	20.4	20.1	20.9	20.5	20.0
18 to 19 years.....	676	767	645	15.1	15.1	16.1	16.1	16.9	14.3
20 to 24 years.....	1,205	1,339	1,334	8.6	9.4	8.8	9.2	10.0	9.9
25 years and over.....	4,687	4,825	4,762	4.2	4.2	4.4	4.3	4.3	4.3
25 to 54 years.....	4,162	4,311	4,212	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.5	4.4
55 years and over.....	546	550	573	3.5	3.5	3.7	3.6	3.5	3.6
Men, 16 years and over.....	3,832	4,092	3,979	5.4	5.4	5.7	5.6	5.7	5.5
16 to 24 years.....	1,373	1,446	1,464	12.0	12.9	12.8	13.0	12.9	13.1
16 to 19 years.....	736	776	685	18.4	19.2	18.9	18.9	19.2	17.0
16 to 17 years.....	355	361	363	21.3	21.5	21.7	21.7	22.3	21.7
18 to 19 years.....	386	415	328	16.5	17.4	17.0	16.9	17.4	13.9
20 to 24 years.....	637	670	779	8.5	9.3	9.4	9.6	9.3	10.9
25 years and over.....	2,472	2,548	2,544	4.1	4.0	4.4	4.3	4.2	4.2
25 to 54 years.....	2,180	2,279	2,259	4.2	4.1	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4
55 years and over.....	314	310	305	3.6	3.4	3.7	3.5	3.5	3.5
Women, 16 years and over.....	3,365	3,585	3,376	5.5	5.6	5.5	5.5	5.8	5.5
16 to 24 years.....	1,145	1,304	1,152	11.3	11.5	11.4	11.9	13.1	11.5
16 to 19 years.....	577	636	597	15.7	14.8	16.7	17.1	17.1	16.1
16 to 17 years.....	292	288	279	18.9	19.2	18.5	20.1	18.7	18.1
18 to 19 years.....	290	352	317	13.6	12.6	15.1	15.1	16.2	14.7
20 to 24 years.....	568	668	555	8.8	9.5	8.2	8.8	10.8	8.8
25 years and over.....	2,215	2,277	2,219	4.4	4.4	4.3	4.3	4.4	4.3
25 to 54 years.....	1,982	2,033	1,953	4.5	4.6	4.4	4.4	4.6	4.4
55 years and over.....	232	240	268	3.3	3.7	3.8	3.7	3.4	3.8

1/ Unemployment as a percent of the civilian labor force.  
NOTE: Data have been revised based on the experience through December 1995.

Table A-9. Persons not in the labor force and multiple jobholders by sex, not seasonally adjusted  
(In thousands)

Category	Total		Men		Women	
	Feb. 1995	Feb. 1996	Feb. 1995	Feb. 1996	Feb. 1995	Feb. 1996
NOT IN THE LABOR FORCE						
Total not in the labor force.....	66,857	67,777	24,127	24,775	42,730	43,002
Persons who currently want a job.....	5,852	5,836	2,401	2,284	3,451	3,551
Searched for work and available to work now1/.....	1,721	1,838	802	826	919	1,012
Reason not currently looking:						
Discouragement over job prospects2/.....	439	455	257	253	182	202
Reasons other than discouragement3/.....	1,282	1,383	545	573	737	811
MULTIPLE JOBHOLDERS						
Total multiple jobholders4/.....	7,740	7,861	4,123	4,150	3,617	3,711
Percent of total employed.....	6.3	6.3	6.2	6.2	6.3	6.4
Primary job full time, secondary job part time.....	4,536	4,415	2,697	2,612	1,839	1,803
Primary and secondary jobs both part time.....	1,667	1,730	504	522	1,164	1,207
Primary and secondary jobs both full time.....	233	226	154	160	78	67
Hours vary on primary or secondary job.....	1,252	1,456	742	831	509	625

1/ Data refer to persons who have searched for work during the prior 12 months and were available to take a job during the reference week.

2/ Includes thinks no work available, could not find work, lacks schooling or training, employer thinks too young or old, and other types of discrimination.

3/ Includes those who did not actively look for work in the prior 4 weeks for such reasons as child-care and transportation problems, as well as a small number for which reason for nonparticipation was not determined.

4/ Includes persons who work part time on their primary job and full time on their secondary job(s), not shown separately.

Table B-1. Employees on nonfarm payrolls by industry  
(In thousands)

Industry	Not seasonally adjusted				Seasonally adjusted					
	Feb. 1995	Dec. 1995	Jan. 1996p/ 1996p/	Feb. 1996p/ 1996p/	Feb. 1995	Oct. 1995	Nov. 1995	Dec. 1995	Jan. 1996p/ 1996p/	Feb. 1996p/ 1996p/
Total.....	114,645	118,157	115,376	116,411	116,123	117,000	117,212	117,357	117,169	117,874
Total private.....	95,104	98,481	96,133	96,763	96,882	97,685	97,912	98,029	97,870	98,533
Goods_producing.....	23,643	24,090	23,527	23,593	24,324	24,159	24,134	24,173	24,114	24,267
Mining.....	572	569	558	558	588	571	567	569	568	574
Metal mining.....	49.8	50.8	50.7	50.8	51	51	51	51	51	52
Coal mining.....	108.3	103.8	102.9	103.2	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)
Oil and gas extraction.....	317.3	311.2	307.0	305.5	323	309	306	308	308	311
Nonmetallic minerals, except fuels.....	96.6	103.0	97.4	98.7	105	105	105	106	106	107
Construction.....	4,677	5,206	4,853	4,889	5,213	5,287	5,295	5,297	5,314	5,435
General building contractors.....	1,161.6	1,228.9	1,169.7	1,163.7	1,250	1,230	1,234	1,233	1,234	1,249
Heavy construction, except building.....	611.3	695.5	605.0	625.1	740	749	739	736	727	756
Special trade contractors.....	2,904.5	3,281.5	3,078.4	3,100.6	3,223	3,308	3,322	3,328	3,353	3,430
Manufacturing.....	18,394	18,315	18,116	18,146	18,523	18,301	18,272	18,307	18,232	18,258
Production workers.....	12,721	12,654	12,486	12,512	12,833	12,634	12,616	12,650	12,581	12,603
Durable goods.....	10,568	10,627	10,532	10,550	10,622	10,565	10,553	10,607	10,579	10,597
Production workers.....	7,242	7,283	7,203	7,219	7,288	7,220	7,211	7,267	7,237	7,253
Lumber and wood products.....	751.1	754.5	734.3	735.4	766	755	753	756	749	747
Furniture and fixtures.....	507.0	499.0	494.7	491.6	509	494	495	497	495	493
Stone, clay, and glass products.....	523.8	531.4	515.7	519.5	545	538	539	537	536	539
Primary metal industries.....	715.6	716.5	713.5	712.0	718	711	714	714	714	713
Blast furnaces and basic steel products..	239.0	240.0	237.5	236.6	240	238	239	239	237	237
Fabricated metal products.....	1,429.1	1,442.2	1,434.1	1,433.9	1,435	1,433	1,433	1,438	1,438	1,440
Industrial machinery and equipment.....	2,026.5	2,067.0	2,067.1	2,068.5	2,025	2,055	2,061	2,067	2,067	2,066
Computer and office equipment.....	338.9	344.6	344.6	343.7	340	344	344	345	345	344
Electronic and other electrical equipment..	1,610.3	1,649.3	1,643.6	1,646.7	1,613	1,635	1,637	1,643	1,645	1,650
Electronic components and accessories...	564.8	605.3	607.2	610.3	565	596	599	604	607	612
Transportation equipment.....	1,765.0	1,735.8	1,706.9	1,716.8	1,766	1,713	1,691	1,724	1,705	1,719
Motor vehicles and equipment.....	933.4	937.7	910.0	920.5	934	933	920	927	917	920
Aircraft and parts.....	456.6	439.5	439.4	438.0	457	413	409	437	439	438
Instruments and related products.....	849.0	837.8	836.8	836.8	849	840	836	837	838	837
Miscellaneous manufacturing.....	390.9	393.6	385.7	388.7	396	391	394	394	392	393
Nondurable goods.....	7,826	7,688	7,584	7,596	7,901	7,736	7,719	7,700	7,653	7,661
Production workers.....	5,479	5,371	5,283	5,293	5,545	5,414	5,405	5,383	5,344	5,350
Food and kindred products.....	1,642.3	1,664.6	1,630.6	1,632.4	1,689	1,683	1,679	1,681	1,672	1,678
Tobacco products.....	41.3	40.9	40.3	39.4	40	39	38	38	38	38
Textile mill products.....	668.1	637.8	624.7	630.9	671	643	643	638	628	633
Apparel and other textile products.....	944.8	865.8	845.3	853.6	951	884	877	868	856	859
Paper and allied products.....	687.9	681.5	677.2	674.8	692	684	682	682	680	678
Printing and publishing.....	1,558.4	1,559.0	1,543.6	1,540.3	1,561	1,550	1,552	1,550	1,544	1,542
Chemicals and allied products.....	1,050.0	1,034.0	1,031.6	1,032.7	1,054	1,041	1,039	1,035	1,036	1,036
Petroleum and coal products.....	142.9	137.1	134.6	134.0	148	141	139	139	139	138
Rubber and misc. plastics products.....	979.1	964.6	956.0	957.1	983	965	966	966	959	958
Leather and leather products.....	110.8	102.9	100.5	100.3	112	106	104	103	101	101
Service_producing.....	91,002	94,067	91,849	92,818	91,799	92,841	93,078	93,184	93,055	93,607
Transportation and public utilities.....	6,081	6,298	6,172	6,178	6,156	6,217	6,240	6,231	6,230	6,246
Transportation.....	3,839	4,037	3,921	3,937	3,900	3,947	3,973	3,968	3,969	3,992
Railroad transportation.....	237.2	235.7	232.9	230.4	242	236	236	237	237	234
Local and interurban passenger transit..	442.4	482.8	476.3	486.8	431	457	462	466	466	474
Trucking and warehousing.....	1,817.9	1,938.0	1,844.7	1,847.7	1,871	1,882	1,895	1,883	1,888	1,899
Water transportation.....	157.7	150.6	146.0	145.8	165	155	157	154	152	152
Transportation by air.....	751.2	788.8	780.7	783.9	756	774	780	786	783	788
Pipelines, except natural gas.....	16.8	15.9	15.6	15.5	17	16	16	16	16	16
Transportation services.....	415.5	425.5	424.7	427.3	418	427	427	426	427	429
Communications and public utilities.....	2,242	2,261	2,251	2,241	2,256	2,270	2,267	2,263	2,261	2,254
Communications.....	1,336.0	1,364.3	1,361.6	1,356.3	1,343	1,367	1,367	1,363	1,368	1,363
Electric, gas, and sanitary services....	906.4	896.4	888.9	884.8	913	903	900	900	893	891
Wholesale trade.....	6,217	6,392	6,347	6,355	6,275	6,359	6,373	6,395	6,398	6,414
Durable goods.....	3,608	3,720	3,710	3,717	3,631	3,697	3,708	3,720	3,729	3,739
Nondurable goods.....	2,609	2,672	2,637	2,638	2,644	2,662	2,665	2,675	2,669	2,675

See footnotes at end of table.

Table B-1. Employees on nonfarm payrolls by industry

(In thousands)

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Industry	Not seasonally adjusted				Seasonally adjusted					
	Feb. 1995	Dec. 1995	Jan. 1996p/	Feb. 1996p/	Feb. 1995	Oct. 1995	Nov. 1995	Dec. 1995	Jan. 1996p/	Feb. 1996p/
Retail trade.....	20,288	21,577	20,601	20,588	20,794	20,897	20,989	20,981	20,921	21,087
Building materials and garden supplies....	805.7	853.8	822.8	813.2	851	853	860	865	868	859
General merchandise stores.....	2,472.0	2,796.5	2,550.1	2,481.3	2,545	2,556	2,553	2,517	2,495	2,555
Department stores.....	2,159.9	2,450.1	2,238.4	2,184.4	2,223	2,245	2,239	2,207	2,188	2,247
Food stores.....	3,293.3	3,457.4	3,378.7	3,362.8	3,328	3,372	3,394	3,400	3,396	3,400
Automotive dealers and service stations...	2,160.3	2,236.1	2,224.0	2,237.2	2,191	2,231	2,237	2,250	2,253	2,267
New and used car dealers.....	989.3	1,014.5	1,014.7	1,022.4	996	1,008	1,013	1,018	1,021	1,028
Apparel and accessory stores.....	1,084.3	1,172.9	1,084.6	1,048.4	1,118	1,074	1,086	1,071	1,077	1,080
Furniture and home furnishings stores....	931.7	1,006.6	982.5	979.4	936	962	966	967	975	983
Eating and drinking places.....	6,959.3	7,242.8	6,938.9	7,049.0	7,221	7,236	7,262	7,279	7,243	7,305
Miscellaneous retail establishments.....	2,581.3	2,811.3	2,619.3	2,616.5	2,604	2,613	2,631	2,632	2,614	2,638
Finance, insurance, and real estate.....	6,860	6,987	6,941	6,963	6,929	6,977	6,991	7,001	7,003	7,028
Finance.....	3,298	3,343	3,340	3,350	3,312	3,325	3,337	3,342	3,352	3,361
Depository institutions.....	2,056.5	2,049.5	2,046.9	2,042.0	2,066	2,048	2,051	2,047	2,051	2,050
Commercial banks.....	1,489.0	1,491.5	1,489.5	1,485.9	1,497	1,489	1,492	1,492	1,494	1,493
Savings institutions.....	290.4	273.5	271.3	269.8	291	277	276	273	272	270
Nondepository institutions.....	475.3	507.8	509.6	516.7	475	497	503	509	511	517
Mortgage bankers and brokers.....	223.8	240.8	243.3	247.0	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Security and commodity brokers.....	528.5	534.0	534.4	536.8	532	532	533	535	537	539
Holding and other investment offices....	238.0	251.2	249.5	254.9	239	248	250	251	253	255
Insurance.....	2,228	2,254	2,254	2,257	2,233	2,253	2,252	2,256	2,258	2,262
Insurance carriers.....	1,530.9	1,542.0	1,541.7	1,543.1	1,534	1,543	1,542	1,544	1,545	1,546
Insurance agents, brokers, and service..	697.2	711.5	712.0	714.0	699	710	710	712	713	716
Real estate.....	1,334	1,390	1,347	1,356	1,384	1,399	1,402	1,403	1,393	1,405
Services3/.....	32,015	33,137	32,545	33,086	32,404	33,076	33,185	33,248	33,204	33,491
Agricultural services.....	483.8	549.9	504.6	508.1	580	593	593	599	601	609
Hotels and other lodging places.....	1,532	1,565	1,538	1,556	1,614	1,621	1,630	1,629	1,629	1,638
Personal services.....	1,222	1,128	1,196	1,233	1,160	1,138	1,139	1,140	1,149	1,169
Business services.....	6,385	6,871	6,610	6,733	6,555	6,752	6,769	6,803	6,772	6,898
Services to buildings.....	855	893	875	899	870	889	890	896	889	913
Personnel supply services.....	2,279	2,518	2,298	2,364	2,427	2,446	2,450	2,459	2,430	2,512
Help supply services.....	2,015	2,228	2,030	2,090	2,152	2,170	2,168	2,175	2,149	2,228
Computer and data processing services...	1,010	1,103	1,102	1,117	1,006	1,081	1,089	1,101	1,099	1,113
Auto repair, services, and parking.....	1,002	1,047	1,045	1,061	1,010	1,039	1,043	1,053	1,058	1,068
Miscellaneous repair services.....	338	345	340	344	342	341	342	347	344	348
Motion pictures.....	565	589	586	588	566	596	593	584	591	588
Amusement and recreation services.....	1,258	1,322	1,264	1,307	1,398	1,485	1,500	1,469	1,453	1,467
Health services.....	9,143	9,412	9,377	9,424	9,168	9,349	9,386	9,403	9,406	9,452
Offices and clinics of medical doctors..	1,564	1,617	1,607	1,616	1,570	1,600	1,609	1,616	1,613	1,623
Nursing and personal care facilities....	1,671	1,718	1,713	1,720	1,676	1,706	1,713	1,716	1,718	1,724
Hospitals.....	3,790	3,838	3,835	3,845	3,796	3,832	3,833	3,838	3,839	3,853
Home health care services.....	592	630	618	624	596	622	626	630	625	629
Legal services.....	926	930	927	926	932	930	930	932	931	931
Educational services.....	1,974	2,002	1,848	2,014	1,864	1,892	1,890	1,898	1,880	1,902
Social services.....	2,250	2,309	2,285	2,311	2,254	2,291	2,293	2,298	2,296	2,311
Child day care services.....	528	541	532	540	517	525	525	527	525	529
Residential care.....	623	642	641	645	626	640	640	642	644	647
Museums and botanical and zoological gardens.....	73	80	76	75	81	82	83	83	84	83
Membership organizations.....	2,040	2,051	2,025	2,044	2,060	2,052	2,060	2,063	2,060	2,065
Engineering and management services.....	2,650	2,763	2,753	2,790	2,648	2,743	2,762	2,774	2,778	2,790
Engineering and architectural services..	784	812	802	802	795	810	813	816	811	813
Management and public relations.....	758	837	825	832	762	826	835	841	839	839
Services, nec.....	40.8	41.9	40.9	40.9	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)
Government.....	19,541	19,676	19,243	19,648	19,241	19,315	19,300	19,328	19,299	19,341
Federal.....	2,823	2,819	2,768	2,772	2,831	2,801	2,800	2,799	2,788	2,783
Federal, except Postal Service.....	1,990.8	1,924.3	1,914.1	1,920.1	1,997	1,952	1,946	1,942	1,935	1,930
State.....	4,706	4,680	4,522	4,698	4,610	4,600	4,599	4,591	4,580	4,599
Education.....	2,018.9	2,030.2	1,872.9	2,041.4	1,901	1,917	1,919	1,915	1,907	1,924
Other State government.....	2,687.0	2,649.7	2,649.3	2,656.2	2,709	2,683	2,680	2,676	2,673	2,675
Local.....	12,012	12,177	11,953	12,178	11,800	11,914	11,901	11,938	11,931	11,959
Education.....	6,924.9	7,017.2	6,824.3	7,030.7	6,591	6,663	6,670	6,683	6,671	6,690
Other local government.....	5,086.7	5,160.1	5,128.2	5,147.4	5,209	5,251	5,231	5,255	5,260	5,269

1/ These series are not published seasonally adjusted because the seasonal component, which is small relative to the trend-cycle and irregular components, cannot be separated with sufficient precision.  
2/ This series is not suitable for seasonal adjustment

because it has very little irregular movement. Thus, the not seasonally adjusted series can be used for analysis of cyclical and long-term trends.  
3/ Includes other industries, not shown separately.  
p = preliminary.

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

Industry	Not seasonally adjusted				Seasonally adjusted					
	Feb. 1995	Dec. 1995	Jan. 1996p/	Feb. 1996p/	Feb. 1995	Oct. 1995	Nov. 1995	Dec. 1995	Jan. 1996p/	Feb. 1996p/
Total private.....	34.2	34.5	33.4	34.1	34.6	34.6	34.4	34.3	33.7	34.5
Goods_producing.....	40.7	41.1	39.0	40.4	41.4	41.0	40.9	40.6	39.4	41.0
Mining.....	44.4	44.9	43.6	45.1	44.9	45.0	44.3	44.6	43.7	45.6
Construction.....	36.9	38.0	35.8	37.1	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Manufacturing.....	41.7	42.0	39.8	41.2	42.1	41.5	41.5	41.2	39.9	41.6
Overtime hours.....	4.5	4.6	4.0	4.2	4.8	4.4	4.4	4.3	4.1	4.5
Durable goods.....	42.6	42.8	40.8	42.1	43.0	42.4	42.4	41.9	40.9	42.4
Overtime hours.....	4.9	5.1	4.3	4.5	5.2	4.7	4.7	4.6	4.5	4.7
Lumber and wood products.....	40.0	40.4	38.6	39.8	40.9	40.9	40.6	40.0	39.0	40.6
Furniture and fixtures.....	39.7	40.7	35.7	38.6	40.5	39.5	39.7	39.5	35.8	39.4
Stone, clay, and glass products.....	41.9	42.6	40.9	42.4	43.3	43.1	42.9	42.8	42.0	43.7
Primary metal industries.....	44.6	44.4	43.2	44.0	44.8	43.9	44.0	43.7	43.1	44.1
Blast furnaces and basic steel products	45.0	44.7	44.3	44.4	45.4	44.4	44.7	44.3	44.5	44.8
Fabricated metal products.....	42.7	43.2	40.9	41.9	43.1	42.3	42.3	42.1	40.9	42.1
Industrial machinery and equipment.....	44.0	44.0	42.2	43.4	44.0	43.1	43.5	43.0	42.0	43.4
Electronic and other electrical equipment	41.5	42.2	40.3	41.5	41.9	42.1	41.7	41.1	40.1	41.8
Transportation equipment.....	44.4	43.8	42.4	43.5	44.7	43.6	43.9	42.8	42.5	43.6
Motor vehicles and equipment.....	45.9	45.4	43.3	44.1	46.1	44.7	45.0	44.4	43.5	44.0
Instruments and related products.....	41.5	42.1	40.4	41.9	41.7	41.4	41.5	41.2	40.2	42.0
Miscellaneous manufacturing.....	39.8	40.0	37.4	39.3	40.2	39.8	39.7	39.4	37.7	39.7
Nondurable goods.....	40.5	40.8	38.4	40.1	41.0	40.3	40.4	40.2	38.6	40.6
Overtime hours.....	3.9	4.1	3.5	3.8	4.3	3.9	4.0	3.9	3.7	4.2
Food and kindred products.....	40.5	41.3	39.2	40.3	41.3	40.9	40.7	40.6	39.6	41.1
Tobacco products.....	38.6	39.1	35.8	39.5	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Textile mill products.....	41.2	40.6	36.0	40.3	41.9	40.4	40.6	40.2	36.1	40.9
Apparel and other textile products.....	37.3	37.2	33.1	36.7	37.7	36.6	36.6	36.8	33.3	37.0
Paper and allied products.....	43.3	43.7	41.7	42.7	43.9	42.8	43.2	42.9	41.7	43.1
Printing and publishing.....	38.1	38.4	36.6	37.7	38.5	38.0	38.2	37.8	37.0	38.0
Chemicals and allied products.....	43.2	44.0	42.7	43.6	43.4	43.2	43.2	43.2	42.7	43.8
Petroleum and coal products.....	44.4	43.2	42.9	42.4	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Rubber and misc. plastics products.....	42.0	42.1	40.3	41.2	42.3	41.5	41.5	41.4	40.2	41.4
Leather and leather products.....	38.0	38.1	35.0	37.7	38.4	38.1	37.7	37.6	35.1	38.1
Service_producing.....	32.4	32.7	31.9	32.5	32.7	32.9	32.7	32.6	32.2	32.8
Transportation and public utilities.....	39.3	39.6	38.4	39.4	39.7	39.5	39.5	39.6	38.8	39.8
Wholesale trade.....	38.1	38.2	37.7	38.1	38.4	38.4	38.2	38.1	37.9	38.3
Retail trade.....	28.1	29.1	27.5	28.4	28.8	28.9	28.8	28.7	28.2	29.1
Finance, insurance, and real estate.....	35.7	35.7	35.5	35.8	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Services.....	32.3	32.3	31.8	32.2	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)

1/ Data relate to production workers in mining and manufacturing; construction workers in construction; and 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 nonfarm payrolls.

2/ These series are not published seasonally adjusted since the seasonal component, which is small relative to the trend-cycle and irregular components, 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 nonfarm payrolls by industry

Industry	Average hourly earnings				Average weekly earnings			
	Feb. 1995	Dec. 1995	Jan. 1996p/	Feb. 1996p/	Feb. 1995	Dec. 1995	Jan. 1996p/	Feb. 1996p/
Total private.....	\$11.36	\$11.63	\$11.73	\$11.69	\$388.51	\$401.24	\$391.78	\$398.63
Seasonally adjusted.....	11.32	11.61	11.66	11.65	391.67	398.22	392.94	401.93
Goods_producing.....	12.82	13.20	13.27	13.20	521.77	542.52	517.53	533.28
Mining.....	15.26	15.57	15.66	15.67	677.54	699.09	682.78	706.72
Construction.....	14.82	15.09	15.28	15.20	546.86	573.42	547.02	563.92
Manufacturing.....	12.24	12.58	12.66	12.58	510.41	528.36	503.87	518.30
Durable goods.....	12.83	13.09	13.14	13.11	546.56	560.25	536.11	551.93
Lumber and wood products.....	9.94	10.29	10.28	10.24	397.60	415.72	396.81	407.55
Furniture and fixtures.....	9.66	9.99	10.01	9.96	383.50	406.59	357.36	384.46
Stone, clay, and glass products.....	12.23	12.52	12.62	12.58	512.44	533.35	516.16	533.39
Primary metal industries.....	14.43	14.67	14.81	14.72	643.58	651.35	639.79	647.68
Blast furnaces and basic steel products	17.09	17.36	17.67	17.56	769.05	775.99	782.78	779.66
Fabricated metal products.....	12.03	12.39	12.37	12.31	513.68	535.25	505.93	515.79
Industrial machinery and equipment.....	13.15	13.45	13.44	13.42	578.60	591.80	567.17	582.43
Electronic and other electrical equipment	11.53	11.91	11.93	11.85	478.50	502.60	480.78	491.78
Transportation equipment.....	16.71	16.80	16.83	16.92	741.92	735.84	713.59	736.02
Motor vehicles and equipment.....	17.26	17.48	17.34	17.45	792.23	793.59	750.82	769.55
Instruments and related products.....	12.63	12.91	13.00	12.96	524.15	543.51	525.20	543.02
Miscellaneous manufacturing.....	9.94	10.24	10.27	10.20	395.61	409.60	384.10	400.86
Nondurable goods.....	11.43	11.86	11.95	11.83	462.92	483.89	458.88	474.38
Food and kindred products.....	10.83	11.18	11.10	11.04	438.62	461.73	435.12	444.91
Tobacco products.....	19.67	18.10	18.96	18.82	759.26	707.71	678.77	743.39
Textile mill products.....	9.31	9.57	9.56	9.53	383.57	388.54	344.16	384.06
Apparel and other textile products.....	7.48	7.81	7.86	7.81	279.00	290.53	260.17	286.63
Paper and allied products.....	14.02	14.52	14.61	14.49	607.07	634.52	609.24	618.72
Printing and publishing.....	12.24	12.47	12.47	12.48	466.34	478.85	456.40	470.50
Chemicals and allied products.....	15.42	16.09	16.16	16.05	666.14	707.96	690.03	699.78
Petroleum and coal products.....	19.55	19.45	19.39	19.27	868.02	840.24	831.83	817.05
Rubber and misc. plastics products.....	10.76	11.16	11.16	11.19	451.92	469.84	449.75	461.03
Leather and leather products.....	8.14	8.37	8.54	8.39	309.32	318.90	298.90	316.30
Service_producing.....	10.86	11.10	11.22	11.19	351.86	362.97	357.92	363.68
Transportation and public utilities.....	14.04	14.43	14.47	14.44	551.77	571.43	555.65	568.94
Wholesale trade.....	12.28	12.58	12.61	12.56	467.87	480.56	475.40	478.54
Retail trade.....	7.63	7.81	7.91	7.83	214.40	227.27	217.53	222.37
Finance, insurance, and real estate.....	12.19	12.57	12.63	12.70	435.18	448.75	448.37	454.66
Services.....	11.38	11.69	11.76	11.74	367.57	377.59	373.97	378.03

1/ See footnote 1, table B-2. p = preliminary.

Table B-4. Average hourly earnings of production or nonsupervisory workers on private nonfarm payrolls by industry, seasonally adjusted

Industry	Feb. 1995	Oct. 1995	Nov. 1995	Dec. 1995	Jan. 1996p/	Feb. 1996p/	Percent change from: Jan. 1996- Feb. 1996
Total private:							
Current dollars.....	\$11.32	\$11.59	\$11.58	\$11.61	\$11.66	\$11.65	-0.1
Constant (1982) dollars2/.....	7.40	7.44	7.43	7.44	7.44	N.A.	(3)
Goods_producing.....	12.89	13.14	13.16	13.16	13.33	13.29	-.3
Mining.....	15.12	15.50	15.44	15.55	15.49	15.53	.3
Construction.....	14.88	15.14	15.17	15.09	15.37	15.28	-.6
Manufacturing.....	12.24	12.45	12.47	12.49	12.63	12.58	-.4
Excluding overtime4/.....	11.60	11.84	11.84	11.87	12.01	11.95	-.5
Service_producing.....	10.76	11.06	11.04	11.09	11.11	11.09	-.2
Transportation and public utilities	14.00	14.44	14.41	14.39	14.41	14.40	-.1
Wholesale trade.....	12.24	12.53	12.50	12.57	12.55	12.52	-.2
Retail trade.....	7.60	7.76	7.78	7.82	7.86	7.80	-.8
Finance, insurance, and real estate	12.09	12.56	12.51	12.53	12.52	12.60	.6
Services.....	11.28	11.56	11.55	11.61	11.62	11.64	.2

1/ See footnote 1, table B-2.  
2/ The Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W) is used to deflate this series.  
3/ Change was .0 percent from December 1995 to January 1996, the latest month available.  
4/ Derived by assuming that overtime hours are paid at the rate of time and one-half.  
N.A. = not available.  
p/ = preliminary.

Table B-5. Indexes of aggregate weekly hours of production or nonsupervisory workers on private nonfarm payrolls by industry (1982=100)

Industry	Not seasonally adjusted				Seasonally adjusted					
	Feb. 1995	Dec. 1995	Jan. 1996p/ 1996p/	Feb. 1996p/ 1996p/	Feb. 1995	Oct. 1995	Nov. 1995	Dec. 1995	Jan. 1996p/ 1996p/	Feb. 1996p/ 1996p/
Total private.....	128.0	134.3	126.4	130.2	132.4	133.8	133.3	132.9	130.3	134.5
Goods_producing.....	105.8	109.5	100.8	104.8	111.7	109.7	109.3	108.6	105.1	110.4
Mining.....	52.4	53.5	50.9	52.6	54.7	53.7	52.3	53.1	52.1	55.0
Construction.....	118.0	138.0	119.0	124.4	142.1	145.4	144.0	142.2	139.2	148.9
Manufacturing.....	106.9	107.1	100.2	104.1	109.0	105.7	105.7	105.1	101.3	105.8
Durable goods.....	107.5	108.7	102.6	106.0	109.2	106.7	106.7	106.3	103.2	107.3
Lumber and wood products.....	130.8	132.3	122.7	126.6	136.9	134.1	132.7	131.5	126.0	131.6
Furniture and fixtures.....	125.5	126.1	109.7	117.9	128.6	121.1	122.0	122.0	110.0	120.5
Stone, clay, and glass products.....	101.8	106.0	98.1	102.7	110.4	108.9	108.4	107.9	105.4	110.7
Primary metal industries.....	94.0	93.6	90.9	92.2	94.4	91.7	92.4	91.9	90.5	92.4
Blast furnaces and basic steel products..	73.7	73.5	72.1	72.0	74.6	72.1	73.0	72.4	72.3	72.8
Fabricated metal products.....	113.8	116.1	109.0	111.6	115.6	112.7	112.8	112.6	109.4	112.7
Industrial machinery and equipment.....	103.2	105.5	101.0	103.9	102.9	102.5	103.8	103.0	100.5	103.5
Electronic and other electrical equipment..	107.4	110.5	105.0	108.5	108.9	109.0	108.4	106.9	104.5	109.6
Transportation equipment.....	121.1	118.4	112.7	116.5	121.8	115.0	113.8	114.9	112.9	116.8
Motor vehicles and equipment.....	161.7	162.2	150.3	155.1	162.6	157.7	156.2	156.6	152.8	154.6
Instruments and related products.....	74.1	74.9	71.6	74.6	74.5	73.8	73.6	73.1	71.2	74.7
Miscellaneous manufacturing.....	103.6	104.5	95.5	101.0	106.4	103.4	103.9	103.5	98.3	103.5
Nondurable goods.....	106.1	104.8	97.0	101.4	108.7	104.3	104.3	103.5	98.6	103.7
Food and kindred products.....	109.5	113.7	105.5	108.4	115.5	114.0	113.5	113.4	110.0	114.5
Tobacco products.....	60.8	61.4	55.7	59.5	60.9	55.6	58.4	55.2	51.9	58.6
Textile mill products.....	96.7	90.9	78.7	89.3	98.9	91.0	91.6	89.9	79.2	91.1
Apparel and other textile products.....	86.5	77.8	67.3	75.5	88.0	78.5	77.6	77.1	68.7	76.6
Paper and allied products.....	110.0	110.1	104.3	106.7	112.4	108.3	108.9	108.1	104.9	108.4
Printing and publishing.....	125.4	126.7	119.2	122.0	126.9	124.2	125.3	123.6	120.4	123.2
Chemicals and allied products.....	102.1	104.2	100.7	102.6	102.8	103.3	103.1	102.6	101.2	103.4
Petroleum and coal products.....	77.2	71.5	69.9	69.1	81.4	75.6	73.6	73.6	73.9	72.9
Rubber and misc. plastics products.....	145.3	142.9	135.3	138.4	146.9	141.0	141.4	140.5	135.5	138.9
Leather and leather products.....	50.9	47.0	41.9	45.3	51.9	48.6	47.5	46.2	42.1	46.2
Service_producing.....	138.0	145.4	137.9	141.6	141.6	144.6	144.0	143.8	141.7	145.3
Transportation and public utilities.....	122.1	128.4	121.5	125.7	125.0	126.0	126.5	126.9	124.3	128.7
Wholesale trade.....	117.1	121.2	118.2	119.8	119.5	121.2	120.7	120.8	120.2	121.7
Retail trade.....	123.2	136.0	122.3	125.8	129.6	130.6	130.5	130.0	127.4	132.5
Finance, insurance, and real estate.....	123.0	125.7	124.0	125.2	124.0	128.4	125.8	125.8	123.8	126.7
Services.....	163.9	169.9	163.9	168.7	166.6	171.7	170.8	170.6	168.4	171.5

1/ See footnote 1, table B-2.

p = preliminary.

Table B-6. Diffusion indexes of employment change, seasonally adjusted  
(Percent)

TIME SPAN	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Private nonfarm payrolls, 356 industries1/												
Over 1-month span:												
1992.....	42.3	45.2	50.1	57.3	53.7	48.2	53.5	49.6	53.4	57.0	52.2	58.1
1993.....	57.6	61.5	51.4	58.3	61.4	55.1	57.7	56.3	61.4	59.7	61.1	60.7
1994.....	60.0	63.3	65.9	62.4	58.0	63.8	60.5	61.5	60.7	61.1	65.3	61.1
1995.....	60.3	61.7	57.6	51.3	46.2	55.3	48.5	54.9	50.6	53.7	57.9	57.2
1996.....	p/47.1	p/60.8										
Over 3-month span:												
1992.....	40.2	42.6	50.7	56.3	56.3	54.6	50.6	51.3	52.5	54.9	58.7	59.1
1993.....	64.0	61.2	61.8	58.8	61.4	61.8	59.3	61.8	62.6	66.7	65.7	63.6
1994.....	68.8	70.9	69.8	67.1	66.0	66.0	68.4	68.3	67.8	67.3	68.1	67.4
1995.....	66.4	64.9	57.9	49.3	50.6	47.9	52.8	50.3	52.5	54.4	57.6	p/55.1
1996.....	p/57.4											
Over 6-month span:												
1992.....	43.4	46.2	46.3	50.8	55.1	55.3	52.7	52.2	56.7	55.9	63.6	63.2
1993.....	63.2	63.8	62.8	64.2	60.8	63.9	64.5	64.7	66.2	67.3	70.8	70.8
1994.....	71.2	70.2	70.5	69.5	69.8	69.1	70.5	70.9	69.0	69.0	67.4	67.0
1995.....	65.9	58.8	56.3	52.2	49.2	49.6	50.3	56.0	53.2	p/53.5	p/57.3	
1996.....												
Over 12-month span:												
1992.....	47.2	42.3	42.7	44.1	48.0	52.5	55.8	60.7	59.7	61.4	62.9	62.9
1993.....	64.9	63.9	64.0	65.4	67.0	67.6	67.6	67.0	70.2	69.4	68.8	69.4
1994.....	68.4	70.8	71.9	70.2	69.5	69.7	70.4	70.8	70.4	70.2	66.0	64.0
1995.....	63.1	60.8	58.1	58.3	56.6	55.9	p/54.1	p/55.6				
1996.....												
Manufacturing payrolls, 139 industries1/												
Over 1-month span:												
1992.....	37.1	40.3	46.0	57.2	48.2	46.0	56.1	42.8	50.7	47.5	51.4	52.5
1993.....	52.2	57.9	52.9	44.2	51.4	46.0	50.7	48.6	56.1	54.7	56.5	54.3
1994.....	59.4	61.2	59.4	56.5	55.0	59.0	54.0	56.5	53.2	59.4	59.0	57.6
1995.....	56.8	54.7	49.6	44.2	36.7	41.7	39.6	46.8	40.3	50.4	43.9	48.6
1996.....	p/42.8	p/47.5										
Over 3-month span:												
1992.....	29.9	36.0	45.0	51.4	52.2	54.3	45.3	50.7	43.9	49.6	51.4	53.6
1993.....	60.8	60.4	57.2	46.4	46.4	50.7	49.6	54.3	53.2	60.1	56.1	57.6
1994.....	65.1	66.5	64.4	59.0	58.6	58.3	61.5	59.0	61.5	60.4	64.0	62.2
1995.....	61.5	56.1	47.1	35.6	32.4	28.8	32.7	33.1	41.0	39.6	44.2	p/39.2
1996.....	p/38.1											
Over 6-month span:												
1992.....	33.5	36.0	39.6	47.5	51.8	52.5	47.5	48.9	52.5	47.1	57.9	58.3
1993.....	57.6	56.5	56.1	55.0	49.3	52.2	55.4	57.9	56.8	57.6	65.1	62.9
1994.....	61.9	62.9	64.4	61.5	60.8	59.0	62.2	62.6	61.5	64.0	61.5	61.5
1995.....	57.2	47.1	40.3	32.7	26.6	25.9	29.9	32.7	33.5	p/35.6	p/35.6	
1996.....												
Over 12-month span:												
1992.....	42.4	36.7	36.3	36.0	39.6	45.7	50.0	55.8	57.9	56.8	58.3	56.5
1993.....	56.8	57.9	55.8	58.6	57.2	57.6	58.6	59.0	61.2	60.4	60.1	59.4
1994.....	58.3	59.7	61.9	61.5	61.5	61.5	61.9	63.3	61.5	59.7	56.5	49.6
1995.....	46.8	43.2	40.6	37.1	34.9	33.5	p/28.8	p/28.8				
1996.....												

1/ Based on seasonally adjusted data for 1-, 3-, and 6-month spans and unadjusted data for the 12-month span. Data are centered within the span.  
p = preliminary.  
NOTE: Figures are the percent of industries with

employment increasing plus one-half of the industries with unchanged employment, where 50 percent indicates an equal balance between industries with increasing and decreasing employment.