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THE EMPLOYMENT SITUATION: MARCH 1996

Employment increased in March, and the unemployment rate was essentially unchanged at 5.6 percent, the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor reported today. Nonfarm payroll employment rose by 140,000 over the month, led by a gain in the services industry. Factory employment continued to decline, but part of the drop in March reflected strike-related shutdowns in automobile manufacturing.

Unemployment (Household Survey Data)

Both the number of unemployed persons, 7.5 million in March, and the unemployment rate, 5.6 percent, were about the same as in February. The jobless rate has remained within a narrow range (5.4 to 5.8 percent) since late 1994. Among the major worker groups, the jobless rate for blacks rose to 11.1 percent, while the rates for adult men (5.0 percent), adult women (4.8 percent), teenagers (17.5 percent), whites (4.8 percent), and Hispanics (10.0 percent), showed little or no change in March. (See tables A-1 and A-2.)

The number of persons unemployed for 27 weeks or more increased to 1.3 million. This was about the same level as a year earlier. (See table A-5.)

Total Employment and the Labor Force (Household Survey Data)

Total employment increased by 488,000, to 126.2 million in March. Gains since December have totaled 1.2 million. The employment-population ratio--the proportion of the population age 16 years and over that was employed--edged up to 63.1 percent over the month. (See table A-1.)

The number of multiple jobholders was 7.9 million (not seasonally adjusted) in March. These workers made up 6.3 percent of the total number of employed persons. (See table A-9.)

The civilian labor force rose by 637,000 in March to a seasonally adjusted level of 133.7 million. The labor force participation rate rose 0.3 percentage point to 66.9 percent, the same as a year earlier. (See table A-1.)

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

Category	Quarterly averages		Monthly data			Feb. - Mar. change
	1995	1996	1996			
	IV	I	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	
HOUSEHOLD DATA						
Labor force status						
Civilian labor force..	132,432	133,192	132,903	133,018	133,655	637
Employment.....	125,096	125,680	125,226	125,663	126,151	488
Unemployment.....	7,336	7,512	7,677	7,355	7,504	149
Not in labor force....	66,920	66,584	66,730	66,754	66,266	-488
Unemployment rates						
All workers.....	5.5	5.6	5.8	5.5	5.6	0.1
Adult men.....	4.7	4.9	4.9	4.9	5.0	.1
Adult women.....	4.8	4.9	5.1	4.8	4.8	.0
Teenagers.....	17.6	17.4	18.2	16.6	17.5	.9
White.....	4.9	4.9	5.0	4.9	4.8	-.1
Black.....	9.9	10.7	10.6	10.3	11.1	.8
Hispanic origin.....	9.3	9.7	9.2	9.7	10.0	.3
ESTABLISHMENT DATA						
Employment						
Nonfarm employment....	117,190	p117,674	117,211	p117,835	p117,975	p140
Goods-producing 1/..	24,155	p24,189	24,116	p24,262	p24,190	p-72
Construction.....	5,293	p5,386	5,314	p5,428	p5,415	p-13
Manufacturing.....	18,293	p18,232	18,235	p18,262	p18,200	p-62
Service-producing 1/	93,034	p93,484	93,095	p93,573	p93,785	p212
Retail trade.....	20,956	p21,018	20,933	p21,049	p21,071	p22
Services.....	33,170	p33,451	33,232	p33,495	p33,626	p131
Government.....	19,314	p19,323	19,291	p19,327	p19,352	p25
Hours of work 2/						
Total private.....	34.4	p34.3	33.8	p34.6	p34.5	p-0.1
Manufacturing.....	41.4	p41.0	39.9	p41.6	p41.4	p-.2
Overtime.....	4.4	p4.3	4.2	p4.5	p4.2	p-.3
Earnings2/						
Avg. hourly earnings, total private.....	\$11.59	p\$11.66	\$11.65	p\$11.65	p\$11.68	p\$0.03
Avg. weekly earnings, total private.....	399.19	p399.94	393.77	p403.09	p402.96	p-.13

1/ Includes other industries, not shown separately.

p=preliminary.

2/ Data relate to private production or nonsupervisory workers.

N.A.= not available.

Persons Not in the Labor Force (Household Survey Data)

About 1.6 million persons (not seasonally adjusted) were marginally attached to the labor force in March, little different from the year-earlier level. These are people who 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 451,000 in March, virtually unchanged from the year-earlier level. (See table A-9.)

Industry Payroll Employment (Establishment Survey Data)

Nonfarm payroll employment rose by 140,000 in March to 118.0 million. This increase reflected continued strength within the service-producing sector. Declines occurred in goods-producing industries, in part because about 35,000 auto manufacturing workers were off payrolls for the entire survey reference period due to strike-related shutdowns. Overall, monthly job gains during the first quarter averaged 206,000, well ahead of the pace registered during the last three quarters of 1995. (See table B-1.)

Factory employment continued its downward trend, declining by 62,000 in March. A large part of the decline was in motor vehicles and equipment, reflecting temporary plant shutdowns that followed a strike by 3,000 auto parts manufacturing workers. The total number of workers affected by the strike was much larger, but most worked a part of the reference week and, thus, were counted as employed in the payroll survey. There was a further employment decline in the apparel industry, and electronic and electrical equipment also registered a loss.

Construction employment, which rose markedly in February, had a slight drop in March, after seasonal adjustment. Hiring in construction was slower than normal for this time of the year in the West and South, following strong growth during the winter months. Mining employment rose for the second straight month, with most of the increase in oil and gas extraction.

The services industry added 131,000 jobs over the month, about in line with the strong average gain of the first 2 months of this year. Job gains were widespread within this industry in March. Employment in health services rose by 30,000 over the month. Sizable over-the-month increases also occurred in amusements and recreation, hotels, motion pictures, and engineering and management services. Within business services, employment in computer services continued its strong growth trend, while the number of jobs in help supply services, which has had sporadic growth over the past year, declined by 8,000 in March.

In retail trade, employment in automobile dealerships and service stations rose by 11,000; there also was a job gain in department stores, after seasonal adjustment. In contrast, employment declined by 33,000 in eating and drinking establishments, where job growth has slowed over the past year. Employment in wholesale trade increased by 15,000, mostly in the distribution of durable goods.

In the finance industry, continued employment declines in banks and savings institutions partially offset job gains in mortgage banking and in security and commodity brokerages. Employment in the transportation industry increased by 12,000 in March, with trucking and local transit contributing most of the growth. Within government, local education employment rose by 21,000.

Weekly Hours (Establishment Survey Data)

The average workweek for production or nonsupervisory workers on private nonfarm payrolls fell by 0.1 hour to 34.5 hours in March, seasonally adjusted. The factory workweek decreased 0.2 hour to 41.4 hours, and factory overtime was down by 0.3 hour to 4.2 hours. Both declines were largely a consequence of the strike and related auto plant shutdowns. (See table B-2.)

The index of aggregate weekly hours of private production or nonsupervisory workers on nonfarm payrolls was unchanged at 134.5 (1982=100) in March. The manufacturing index fell by 0.9 percent to 104.7 as the auto manufacturing index fell by nearly 11 percent. (See table B-5.)

Hourly and Weekly Earnings (Establishment Survey Data)

Average hourly earnings of private production or nonsupervisory workers on nonfarm payrolls were up by 3 cents in March, after seasonal adjustment. Average weekly earnings were about unchanged. Over the year, average hourly earnings increased by 3.0 percent and average weekly earnings by 2.7 percent. (See table B-3.)

The Employment Situation for April 1996 is scheduled to be released on Friday, May 3, at 8:30 A.M. (EDT).

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.)

HOUSEHOLD DATA

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 ^{1/}					
	Mar.	Feb.	Mar.	Mar.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.
	1995	1996	1996	1995	1995	1995	1996	1996	1996
TOTAL									
Civilian noninstitutional population.....	198,007	199,773	199,921	198,007	199,355	199,508	199,634	199,773	199,921
Civilian labor force.....	131,423	131,995	132,692	132,391	132,471	132,352	132,903	133,018	133,655
Participation rate.....	66.4	66.1	66.4	66.9	66.4	66.3	66.6	66.6	66.9
Employed.....	123,943	124,137	124,992	125,106	125,062	124,981	125,226	125,663	126,151
Employment-population ratio.....	62.6	62.1	62.5	63.2	62.7	62.6	62.7	62.9	63.1
Agriculture.....	3,366	3,102	3,243	3,636	3,323	3,325	3,529	3,519	3,487
Nonagricultural industries.....	120,577	121,035	121,750	121,470	121,739	121,656	121,698	122,143	122,664
Unemployed.....	7,480	7,858	7,700	7,285	7,409	7,371	7,677	7,355	7,504
Unemployment rate.....	5.7	6.0	5.8	5.5	5.6	5.6	5.8	5.5	5.6
Not in labor force.....	66,584	67,777	67,229	65,616	66,884	67,156	66,730	66,754	66,266
Men, 16 years and over									
Civilian noninstitutional population.....	94,879	95,786	95,864	94,879	95,580	95,661	95,713	95,786	95,864
Civilian labor force.....	70,961	71,011	71,444	71,581	71,208	71,182	71,593	71,743	72,030
Participation rate.....	74.8	74.1	74.5	75.4	74.5	74.4	74.8	74.9	75.1
Employed.....	66,758	66,481	66,961	67,681	67,177	67,162	67,501	67,764	67,856
Employment-population ratio.....	70.4	69.4	69.9	71.3	70.3	70.2	70.5	70.7	70.8
Unemployed.....	4,204	4,529	4,483	3,900	4,031	4,020	4,092	3,979	4,174
Unemployment rate.....	5.9	6.4	6.3	5.4	5.7	5.6	5.7	5.5	5.8
Men, 20 years and over									
Civilian noninstitutional population.....	87,622	88,296	88,366	87,622	88,046	88,172	88,223	88,296	88,366
Civilian labor force.....	67,312	67,355	67,753	67,563	67,171	67,133	67,563	67,719	67,980
Participation rate.....	76.8	76.3	76.7	77.1	76.3	76.1	76.6	76.7	76.9
Employed.....	63,763	63,521	64,005	64,367	63,901	63,879	64,246	64,425	64,594
Employment-population ratio.....	72.8	71.9	72.4	73.5	72.6	72.4	72.8	73.0	73.1
Agriculture.....	2,313	2,160	2,249	2,481	2,259	2,252	2,399	2,382	2,403
Nonagricultural industries.....	61,450	61,361	61,755	61,886	61,642	61,627	61,848	62,044	62,191
Unemployed.....	3,550	3,834	3,749	3,196	3,270	3,254	3,317	3,294	3,386
Unemployment rate.....	5.3	5.7	5.5	4.7	4.9	4.8	4.9	4.9	5.0
Women, 16 years and over									
Civilian noninstitutional population.....	103,128	103,986	104,058	103,128	103,775	103,847	103,921	103,986	104,058
Civilian labor force.....	60,462	60,985	61,248	60,810	61,263	61,170	61,310	61,275	61,625
Participation rate.....	58.6	58.6	58.9	59.0	58.9	58.9	59.0	58.9	59.2
Employed.....	57,185	57,656	58,031	57,425	57,885	57,819	57,725	57,899	58,294
Employment-population ratio.....	55.5	55.4	55.8	55.7	55.8	55.7	55.5	55.7	56.0
Unemployed.....	3,277	3,329	3,217	3,385	3,378	3,351	3,585	3,376	3,331
Unemployment rate.....	5.4	5.5	5.3	5.6	5.5	5.5	5.8	5.5	5.4
Women, 20 years and over									
Civilian noninstitutional population.....	96,037	96,757	96,798	96,037	96,555	96,633	96,717	96,757	96,798
Civilian labor force.....	56,971	57,579	57,811	57,028	57,502	57,426	57,591	57,570	57,903
Participation rate.....	59.3	59.5	59.7	59.4	59.6	59.4	59.5	59.5	59.8
Employed.....	54,221	54,805	55,109	54,226	54,752	54,715	54,642	54,790	55,146
Employment-population ratio.....	56.5	56.6	56.9	56.5	56.7	56.6	56.5	56.6	57.0
Agriculture.....	839	759	807	881	806	816	857	851	844
Nonagricultural industries.....	53,383	54,046	54,303	53,345	53,946	53,899	53,785	53,938	54,303
Unemployed.....	2,749	2,774	2,701	2,802	2,750	2,711	2,949	2,780	2,757
Unemployment rate.....	4.8	4.8	4.7	4.9	4.8	4.7	5.1	4.8	4.8
Both sexes, 16 to 19 years									
Civilian noninstitutional population.....	14,348	14,719	14,757	14,348	14,754	14,703	14,694	14,719	14,757
Civilian labor force.....	7,140	7,061	7,128	7,800	7,798	7,793	7,749	7,729	7,772
Participation rate.....	49.8	48.0	48.3	54.4	52.9	53.0	52.7	52.5	52.7
Employed.....	5,959	5,811	5,879	6,513	6,409	6,387	6,338	6,448	6,411
Employment-population ratio.....	41.5	39.5	39.8	45.4	43.4	43.4	43.1	43.8	43.4
Agriculture.....	214	183	187	274	258	257	273	286	240
Nonagricultural industries.....	5,744	5,627	5,692	6,239	6,151	6,130	6,065	6,161	6,171
Unemployed.....	1,182	1,250	1,250	1,287	1,389	1,406	1,412	1,282	1,362
Unemployment rate.....	16.5	17.7	17.5	16.5	17.8	18.0	18.2	16.6	17.5

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

HOUSEHOLD DATA

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			Seasonally adjusted ^{1/}					
	Mar. 1995	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995	Nov. 1995	Dec. 1995	Jan. 1996	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996
	WHITE								
Civilian noninstitutional population.....	166,521	167,757	167,853	166,521	167,441	167,545	167,669	167,757	167,853
Civilian labor force.....	111,250	111,876	112,246	111,948	112,023	111,987	112,198	112,747	112,970
Participation rate.....	66.8	66.7	66.9	67.2	66.9	66.8	66.9	67.2	67.3
Employed.....	105,609	105,887	106,495	106,589	106,451	106,445	106,576	107,244	107,497
Employment-population ratio.....	63.4	63.1	63.4	64.0	63.6	63.5	63.6	63.9	64.0
Unemployed.....	5,641	5,989	5,751	5,359	5,572	5,542	5,623	5,502	5,473
Unemployment rate.....	5.1	5.4	5.1	4.8	5.0	4.9	5.0	4.9	4.8
Men, 20 years and over									
Civilian labor force.....	57,631	57,855	58,106	57,838	57,679	57,693	57,894	58,162	58,309
Participation rate.....	77.1	76.9	77.2	77.4	76.8	76.8	77.0	77.3	77.5
Employed.....	54,838	54,846	55,237	55,396	55,150	55,206	55,438	55,688	55,795
Employment-population ratio.....	73.4	73.0	73.4	74.1	73.4	73.5	73.7	74.0	74.1
Unemployed.....	2,793	2,947	2,869	2,442	2,529	2,487	2,456	2,475	2,514
Unemployment rate.....	4.8	5.1	4.9	4.2	4.4	4.3	4.2	4.3	4.3
Women, 20 years and over									
Civilian labor force.....	47,490	47,922	48,056	47,528	47,832	47,772	47,727	47,968	48,136
Participation rate.....	59.0	59.3	59.4	59.1	59.2	59.1	59.0	59.3	59.5
Employed.....	45,515	45,846	46,095	45,524	45,796	45,722	45,604	45,892	46,141
Employment-population ratio.....	56.6	56.7	57.0	56.6	56.7	56.6	56.4	56.8	57.0
Unemployed.....	1,974	2,076	1,961	2,004	2,036	2,050	2,123	2,076	1,995
Unemployment rate.....	4.2	4.3	4.1	4.2	4.3	4.3	4.4	4.3	4.1
Both sexes, 16 to 19 years									
Civilian labor force.....	6,129	6,098	6,084	6,582	6,512	6,522	6,577	6,616	6,525
Participation rate.....	53.8	52.3	52.0	57.8	56.3	56.2	56.6	56.8	55.8
Employed.....	5,255	5,133	5,163	5,669	5,505	5,517	5,533	5,665	5,561
Employment-population ratio.....	46.2	44.0	44.2	49.8	47.6	47.5	47.6	48.6	47.6
Unemployed.....	874	965	921	913	1,007	1,005	1,044	951	964
Unemployment rate.....	14.3	15.8	15.1	13.9	15.5	15.4	15.9	14.4	14.8
Men.....	15.9	17.2	17.0	15.0	16.4	16.0	16.6	15.2	16.0
Women.....	12.5	14.3	13.1	12.7	14.5	14.7	15.1	13.4	13.4
BLACK									
Civilian noninstitutional population.....	23,142	23,455	23,485	23,142	23,389	23,419	23,424	23,455	23,485
Civilian labor force.....	14,660	14,632	14,899	14,798	15,006	14,959	14,993	14,827	15,030
Participation rate.....	63.3	62.4	63.4	63.9	64.2	63.9	64.0	63.2	64.0
Employed.....	13,219	13,116	13,282	13,310	13,558	13,436	13,409	13,302	13,358
Employment-population ratio.....	57.1	55.9	56.6	57.5	58.0	57.4	57.2	56.7	56.9
Unemployed.....	1,440	1,516	1,617	1,488	1,448	1,523	1,584	1,525	1,673
Unemployment rate.....	9.8	10.4	10.9	10.1	9.6	10.2	10.6	10.3	11.1
Men, 20 years and over									
Civilian labor force.....	6,800	6,713	6,785	6,806	6,664	6,683	6,748	6,775	6,790
Participation rate.....	73.5	71.7	72.3	73.5	71.8	71.5	72.2	72.3	72.4
Employed.....	6,234	5,992	6,049	6,244	6,108	6,062	6,141	6,089	6,049
Employment-population ratio.....	67.3	64.0	64.5	67.5	65.8	64.9	65.7	65.0	64.5
Unemployed.....	566	721	735	562	556	621	607	686	741
Unemployment rate.....	8.3	10.7	10.8	8.3	8.3	9.3	9.0	10.1	10.9
Women, 20 years and over									
Civilian labor force.....	7,115	7,181	7,288	7,122	7,366	7,317	7,343	7,193	7,287
Participation rate.....	61.2	61.0	61.8	61.2	62.7	62.2	62.4	61.1	61.8
Employed.....	6,488	6,616	6,680	6,484	6,789	6,751	6,678	6,630	6,674
Employment-population ratio.....	55.8	56.2	56.7	55.7	57.8	57.4	56.8	56.3	56.6
Unemployed.....	627	565	608	638	577	566	665	563	613
Unemployment rate.....	8.8	7.9	8.3	9.0	7.8	7.7	9.1	7.8	8.4
Both sexes, 16 to 19 years									
Civilian labor force.....	744	738	827	870	976	959	902	860	954
Participation rate.....	33.1	31.9	35.6	38.7	41.2	41.4	39.1	37.2	41.1
Employed.....	497	507	553	582	661	623	590	583	635
Employment-population ratio.....	22.1	21.9	23.8	25.9	27.9	26.9	25.6	25.2	27.4
Unemployed.....	247	230	274	288	315	336	312	276	319
Unemployment rate.....	33.2	31.2	33.1	33.1	32.3	35.0	34.6	32.1	33.5
Men.....	33.5	31.0	38.0	33.9	33.7	39.0	39.1	30.6	38.2
Women.....	32.9	31.4	28.2	32.4	30.8	31.4	30.4	33.6	28.4
HISPANIC ORIGIN									
Civilian noninstitutional population.....	18,458	18,977	19,025	18,458	18,845	18,889	18,929	18,977	19,025
Civilian labor force.....	12,067	12,503	12,524	12,099	12,374	12,391	12,655	12,666	12,571
Participation rate.....	65.4	65.9	65.8	65.6	65.7	65.6	66.9	66.7	66.1
Employed.....	10,925	11,203	11,229	10,990	11,227	11,237	11,493	11,432	11,308
Employment-population ratio.....	59.2	59.0	59.0	59.5	59.6	59.5	60.7	60.2	59.4
Unemployed.....	1,143	1,299	1,295	1,109	1,147	1,154	1,162	1,234	1,262
Unemployment rate.....	9.5	10.4	10.3	9.2	9.3	9.3	9.2	9.7	10.0

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.

Table A-3. Selected employment indicators

(In thousands)

Category	Not seasonally adjusted			Seasonally adjusted					
	Mar.	Feb.	Mar.	Mar.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.
	1995	1996	1996	1995	1995	1995	1996	1996	1996
CHARACTERISTIC									
Total employed, 16 years and over.....	123,943	124,137	124,992	125,106	125,062	124,981	125,226	125,663	126,151
Married men, spouse present.....	41,879	41,958	42,051	42,025	42,081	42,058	42,171	42,339	42,178
Married women, spouse present.....	32,232	32,197	32,277	31,999	32,153	32,072	32,078	32,101	32,053
Women who maintain families.....	7,163	7,310	7,457	7,113	7,274	7,304	7,294	7,295	7,397
OCCUPATION									
Managerial and professional specialty.....	34,985	35,957	36,186	34,949	35,730	35,712	35,682	35,866	36,149
Technical, sales, and administrative support....	37,259	37,141	37,631	37,412	37,291	36,999	37,057	37,328	37,782
Service occupations.....	17,048	16,744	16,831	16,944	16,947	16,964	16,755	16,727	16,714
Precision production, craft, and repair.....	13,382	13,331	13,277	13,767	13,344	13,445	13,615	13,786	13,618
Operators, fabricators, and laborers.....	17,901	17,763	17,804	18,164	18,213	18,264	18,257	18,147	18,058
Farming, forestry, and fishing.....	3,368	3,201	3,263	3,757	3,590	3,599	3,760	3,744	3,622
CLASS OF WORKER									
Agriculture:									
Wage and salary workers.....	1,762	1,655	1,719	1,917	1,750	1,755	1,964	1,954	1,859
Self-employed workers.....	1,553	1,418	1,484	1,648	1,514	1,521	1,547	1,531	1,572
Unpaid family workers.....	50	30	40	52	34	46	48	34	41
Nonagricultural industries:									
Wage and salary workers.....	111,666	112,062	112,648	112,448	112,722	112,618	112,568	113,165	113,461
Government.....	18,928	18,369	18,419	18,531	18,288	18,237	18,044	18,259	18,005
Private industries.....	92,738	93,693	94,229	93,917	94,434	94,381	94,524	94,906	95,456
Private households.....	1,017	874	917	1,001	980	975	931	873	901
Other industries.....	91,721	92,819	93,312	92,916	93,454	93,406	93,593	94,032	94,555
Self-employed workers.....	8,777	8,863	8,992	8,873	8,853	8,877	8,913	8,953	9,092
Unpaid family workers.....	135	110	109	125	105	106	85	116	102
PERSONS AT WORK PART TIME									
All industries:									
Part time for economic reasons.....	4,566	4,597	4,569	4,490	4,435	4,447	4,091	4,502	4,479
Slack work or business conditions.....	2,478	2,766	2,630	2,406	2,526	2,537	2,250	2,533	2,548
Could only find part-time work.....	1,862	1,542	1,626	1,850	1,648	1,615	1,509	1,621	1,596
Part time for noneconomic reasons.....	18,403	18,386	18,524	17,777	17,452	17,405	17,198	17,493	17,915
Nonagricultural industries:									
Part time for economic reasons.....	4,417	4,351	4,358	4,292	4,283	4,306	3,842	4,274	4,223
Slack work or business conditions.....	2,373	2,595	2,491	2,277	2,419	2,440	2,114	2,382	2,386
Could only find part-time work.....	1,831	1,530	1,608	1,797	1,622	1,583	1,472	1,607	1,561
Part time for noneconomic reasons.....	17,739	17,846	17,870	17,114	16,852	16,804	16,520	16,884	17,266

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.

Table A-4. Selected unemployment indicators, seasonally adjusted

Category	Number of unemployed persons (in thousands)			Unemployment rates ^{1/}					
	Mar. 1995	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995	Nov. 1995	Dec. 1995	Jan. 1996	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996
CHARACTERISTIC									
Total, 16 years and over.....	7,285	7,355	7,504	5.5	5.6	5.6	5.8	5.5	5.6
Men, 20 years and over.....	3,196	3,294	3,386	4.7	4.9	4.8	4.9	4.9	5.0
Women, 20 years and over.....	2,802	2,780	2,757	4.9	4.8	4.7	5.1	4.8	4.8
Both sexes, 16 to 19 years.....	1,287	1,282	1,362	16.5	17.8	18.0	18.2	16.6	17.5
Married men, spouse present.....	1,395	1,306	1,361	3.2	3.3	3.2	3.3	3.0	3.1
Married women, spouse present.....	1,289	1,268	1,165	3.9	3.8	3.8	4.0	3.8	3.5
Women who maintain families.....	611	594	615	7.9	7.7	6.8	8.2	7.5	7.7
Full-time workers.....	5,834	5,853	6,014	5.4	5.5	5.5	5.7	5.4	5.5
Part-time workers.....	1,465	1,516	1,499	5.9	5.9	5.9	6.0	6.2	6.0
2/ OCCUPATION									
Managerial and professional specialty.....	890	834	869	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.4	2.3	2.3
Technical, sales, and administrative support...	1,726	1,763	1,739	4.4	4.2	4.4	4.6	4.5	4.4
Precision production, craft, and repair.....	808	858	843	5.5	6.5	5.8	5.3	5.9	5.8
Operators, fabricators, and laborers.....	1,525	1,631	1,693	7.7	8.3	8.4	8.3	8.2	8.6
Farming, forestry, and fishing.....	327	314	309	8.0	7.8	7.7	8.4	7.7	7.9
INDUSTRY									
Nonagricultural private wage and salary workers	5,568	5,701	5,855	5.6	5.8	5.8	5.8	5.7	5.8
Goods-producing industries.....	1,706	1,819	1,843	6.1	6.7	6.5	6.3	6.4	6.5
Mining.....	37	40	40	5.5	7.0	8.1	5.2	6.5	6.8
Construction.....	713	750	683	10.9	12.0	11.5	10.7	11.2	10.0
Manufacturing.....	956	1,029	1,120	4.6	5.0	5.0	5.0	4.9	5.3
Durable goods.....	514	652	638	4.3	4.5	4.4	4.4	5.3	5.1
Nondurable goods.....	442	377	482	5.0	5.8	5.8	5.7	4.4	5.7
Service-producing industries.....	3,862	3,882	4,011	5.4	5.4	5.5	5.6	5.4	5.5
Transportation and public utilities.....	319	272	293	4.5	4.2	4.6	3.7	3.8	4.2
Wholesale and retail trade.....	1,640	1,634	1,782	6.4	6.3	6.4	6.8	6.3	6.9
Finance, insurance, and real estate.....	247	164	189	3.3	3.0	3.2	2.9	2.2	2.5
Services.....	1,656	1,812	1,747	5.3	5.5	5.5	5.7	5.7	5.4
Government workers.....	555	564	515	2.9	2.9	2.8	2.8	3.0	2.8
Agricultural wage and salary workers.....	220	235	223	10.3	12.0	12.6	10.5	10.7	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.

Table A-5. Duration of unemployment

(Numbers in thousands)

Duration	Not seasonally adjusted			Seasonally adjusted					
	Mar. 1995	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995	Nov. 1995	Dec. 1995	Jan. 1996	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996
NUMBER OF UNEMPLOYED									
Less than 5 weeks.....	2,278	2,578	2,303	2,586	2,767	2,717	2,784	2,793	2,623
5 to 14 weeks.....	2,569	2,796	2,578	2,295	2,383	2,431	2,413	2,280	2,298
15 weeks and over.....	2,633	2,485	2,819	2,309	2,305	2,322	2,370	2,307	2,479
15 to 26 weeks.....	1,199	1,237	1,398	977	1,057	1,085	1,118	1,126	1,164
27 weeks and over.....	1,434	1,247	1,421	1,332	1,248	1,237	1,252	1,181	1,316
Average (mean) duration, in weeks.....	18.2	16.3	18.2	17.3	16.3	16.2	16.0	16.6	17.3
Median duration, in weeks.....	9.8	8.3	9.8	8.2	8.0	8.1	8.3	8.0	8.3
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.....	30.5	32.8	29.9	36.0	37.1	36.4	36.8	37.8	35.4
5 to 14 weeks.....	34.3	35.6	33.5	31.9	32.0	32.5	31.9	30.9	31.1
15 weeks and over.....	35.2	31.6	36.6	32.1	30.9	31.1	31.3	31.3	33.5
15 to 26 weeks.....	16.0	15.7	18.2	13.6	14.2	14.5	14.8	15.3	15.7
27 weeks and over.....	19.2	15.9	18.5	18.5	16.7	16.6	16.5	16.0	17.8

HOUSEHOLD DATA

Table A-6. Reason for unemployment

(Numbers in thousands)

Reason	Not seasonally adjusted			Seasonally adjusted					
	Mar. 1995	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995	Nov. 1995	Dec. 1995	Jan. 1996	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996
NUMBER OF UNEMPLOYED									
Job losers and persons who completed temporary jobs.....	3,718	4,099	3,849	3,420	3,485	3,484	3,606	3,595	3,564
On temporary layoff.....	1,267	1,458	1,266	1,027	1,049	1,012	1,132	1,032	1,027
Not on temporary layoff.....	2,451	2,641	2,583	2,393	2,436	2,472	2,474	2,564	2,537
Permanent job losers.....	1,765	1,883	1,925	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)
Persons who completed temporary jobs.....	686	758	658	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)
Job leavers.....	819	776	806	796	857	881	869	747	782
Reentrants.....	2,435	2,465	2,534	2,477	2,504	2,466	2,458	2,517	2,588
New entrants.....	509	519	511	595	585	603	641	613	591
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.....	49.7	52.2	50.0	46.9	46.9	46.9	47.6	48.1	47.4
On temporary layoff.....	16.9	18.6	16.4	14.1	14.1	13.6	14.9	13.8	13.6
Not on temporary layoff.....	32.8	33.6	33.6	32.8	32.8	33.3	32.7	34.3	33.7
Job leavers.....	10.9	9.9	10.5	10.9	11.5	11.9	11.5	10.0	10.4
Reentrants.....	32.6	31.4	32.9	34.0	33.7	33.2	32.5	33.7	34.4
New entrants.....	6.8	6.6	6.6	8.2	7.9	8.1	8.5	8.2	7.9
UNEMPLOYED AS A PERCENT OF THE CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE									
Job losers and persons who completed temporary jobs.....	2.8	3.1	2.9	2.6	2.6	2.6	2.7	2.7	2.7
Job leavers.....	.6	.6	.6	.6	.6	.7	.7	.6	.6
Reentrants.....	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.8	1.9	1.9
New entrants.....	.4	.4	.4	.4	.4	.5	.5	.5	.4

1/ Not available.

Table A-7. Range of alternative measures of labor underutilization

(Percent)

Measure	Not seasonally adjusted			Seasonally adjusted					
	Mar. 1995	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995	Nov. 1995	Dec. 1995	Jan. 1996	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996
	U-1 Persons unemployed 15 weeks or longer, as a percent of the civilian labor force.....	2.0	1.9	2.1	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.....	2.8	3.1	2.9	2.6	2.6	2.6	2.7	2.7	2.7
U-3 Total unemployed, as a percent of the civilian labor force (official unemployment rate).....	5.7	6.0	5.8	5.5	5.6	5.6	5.8	5.5	5.6
U-4 Total unemployed plus discouraged workers, as a percent of the civilian labor force plus discouraged workers.....	6.0	6.3	6.1	(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.....	6.9	7.2	6.9	(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.....	10.3	10.7	10.3	(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.

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

Age and sex	Number of unemployed persons (in thousands)			Unemployment rates ^{1/}					
	Mar. 1995	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995	Nov. 1995	Dec. 1995	Jan. 1996	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996
Total, 16 years and over.....	7,285	7,355	7,504	5.5	5.6	5.6	5.8	5.5	5.6
16 to 24 years.....	2,575	2,616	2,659	11.8	12.1	12.5	13.0	12.4	12.4
16 to 19 years.....	1,287	1,282	1,362	16.5	17.8	18.0	18.2	16.6	17.5
16 to 17 years.....	642	642	637	19.8	20.1	20.9	20.5	20.0	19.4
18 to 19 years.....	645	645	722	14.2	16.1	16.1	16.9	14.3	16.1
20 to 24 years.....	1,288	1,334	1,298	9.2	8.8	9.2	10.0	9.9	9.5
25 years and over.....	4,734	4,762	4,865	4.3	4.4	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.3
25 to 54 years.....	4,153	4,212	4,233	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.5	4.4	4.4
55 years and over.....	566	573	611	3.6	3.7	3.6	3.5	3.6	3.8
Men, 16 years and over.....	3,900	3,979	4,174	5.4	5.7	5.6	5.7	5.5	5.8
16 to 24 years.....	1,369	1,464	1,508	11.9	12.8	13.0	12.9	13.1	13.4
16 to 19 years.....	704	685	787	17.5	18.9	18.9	19.2	17.0	19.4
16 to 17 years.....	340	363	362	20.5	21.7	21.7	22.3	21.7	21.4
18 to 19 years.....	363	328	426	15.4	17.0	16.9	17.4	13.9	18.0
20 to 24 years.....	665	779	720	8.9	9.4	9.6	9.3	10.9	10.0
25 years and over.....	2,524	2,544	2,661	4.2	4.4	4.3	4.2	4.2	4.4
25 to 54 years.....	2,191	2,259	2,330	4.3	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.5
55 years and over.....	322	305	315	3.7	3.7	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5
Women, 16 years and over.....	3,385	3,376	3,331	5.6	5.5	5.5	5.8	5.5	5.4
16 to 24 years.....	1,206	1,152	1,152	11.8	11.4	11.9	13.1	11.5	11.4
16 to 19 years.....	583	597	574	15.4	16.7	17.1	17.1	16.1	15.4
16 to 17 years.....	302	279	275	19.2	18.5	20.1	18.7	18.1	17.3
18 to 19 years.....	282	317	296	12.8	15.1	15.1	16.2	14.7	14.0
20 to 24 years.....	623	555	577	9.6	8.2	8.8	10.8	8.8	9.1
25 years and over.....	2,210	2,219	2,205	4.4	4.3	4.3	4.4	4.3	4.3
25 to 54 years.....	1,962	1,953	1,903	4.5	4.4	4.4	4.6	4.4	4.3
55 years and over.....	244	268	296	3.5	3.8	3.7	3.4	3.8	4.2

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

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

(In thousands)

Category	Total		Men		Women	
	Mar. 1995	Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995	Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995	Mar. 1996
NOT IN THE LABOR FORCE						
Total not in the labor force.....	66,584	67,229	23,918	24,419	42,666	42,810
Persons who currently want a job.....	5,715	5,400	2,362	2,233	3,352	3,167
Searched for work and available to work now1/.....	1,732	1,584	821	752	911	832
Reason not currently looking:						
Discouragement over job prospects2/.....	454	451	245	261	209	190
Reasons other than discouragement3/.....	1,278	1,132	576	491	702	641
MULTIPLE JOBHOLDERS						
Total multiple jobholders4/.....	7,610	7,905	3,999	4,117	3,611	3,788
Percent of total employed.....	6.1	6.3	6.0	6.1	6.3	6.5
Primary job full time, secondary job part time.....	4,405	4,687	2,577	2,724	1,828	1,963
Primary and secondary jobs both part time.....	1,767	1,751	516	505	1,251	1,246
Primary and secondary jobs both full time.....	234	214	175	160	59	54
Hours vary on primary or secondary job.....	1,161	1,213	709	702	452	511

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					
	Mar. 1995	Jan. 1996	Feb. 1996p/	Mar. 1996p/	Mar. 1995	Nov. 1995	Dec. 1995	Jan. 1996	Feb. 1996p/	Mar. 1996p/
Total.....	115,307	115,417	116,376	117,052	116,302	117,212	117,357	117,211	117,835	117,975
Total private.....	95,664	96,182	96,741	97,301	97,054	97,912	98,029	97,920	98,508	98,623
Goods producing.....	23,803	23,528	23,591	23,647	24,370	24,134	24,173	24,116	24,262	24,190
Mining.....	575	557	557	560	589	567	569	567	572	575
Metal mining.....	50.3	50.8	50.5	50.9	51	51	51	51	51	52
Coal mining.....	108.5	102.6	103.1	102.9	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)
Oil and gas extraction.....	315.3	306.0	304.7	304.7	323	306	308	307	310	312
Nonmetallic minerals, except fuels.....	100.7	97.2	98.6	101.7	106	105	106	106	107	107
Construction.....	4,823	4,852	4,884	4,983	5,256	5,295	5,297	5,314	5,428	5,415
General building contractors.....	1,177.8	1,170.1	1,165.7	1,174.0	1,258	1,234	1,233	1,234	1,251	1,246
Heavy construction, except building.....	650.9	606.1	624.3	664.4	747	739	736	729	755	762
Special trade contractors.....	2,994.4	3,076.2	3,093.8	3,144.2	3,251	3,322	3,328	3,351	3,422	3,407
Manufacturing.....	18,405	18,119	18,150	18,104	18,525	18,272	18,307	18,235	18,262	18,200
Production workers.....	12,736	12,484	12,514	12,477	12,832	12,616	12,650	12,580	12,606	12,545
Durable goods.....	10,591	10,535	10,556	10,523	10,633	10,553	10,607	10,581	10,602	10,555
Production workers.....	7,265	7,203	7,222	7,197	7,297	7,211	7,267	7,237	7,255	7,214
Lumber and wood products.....	751.6	734.4	734.5	733.1	767	753	756	749	746	744
Furniture and fixtures.....	506.9	493.8	492.3	491.5	509	495	497	494	493	492
Stone, clay, and glass products.....	532.3	514.6	518.9	526.5	547	539	537	534	539	540
Primary metal industries.....	716.0	714.8	712.9	710.1	718	714	714	715	714	712
Blast furnaces and basic steel products.....	239.4	238.0	236.8	235.6	240	239	239	238	238	237
Fabricated metal products.....	1,433.0	1,436.3	1,436.5	1,436.2	1,439	1,433	1,438	1,441	1,442	1,439
Industrial machinery and equipment.....	2,033.5	2,066.4	2,067.4	2,069.9	2,029	2,061	2,067	2,066	2,065	2,066
Computer and office equipment.....	336.1	344.5	343.5	344.2	336	344	345	345	344	346
Electronic and other electrical equipment.....	1,610.8	1,642.9	1,647.7	1,640.6	1,614	1,637	1,643	1,645	1,651	1,644
Electronic components and accessories.....	567.4	607.5	612.2	607.9	569	599	604	608	613	609
Transportation equipment.....	1,766.6	1,707.8	1,718.5	1,685.6	1,767	1,691	1,724	1,706	1,720	1,686
Motor vehicles and equipment.....	936.0	911.9	921.8	887.9	937	920	927	919	921	888
Aircraft and parts.....	455.1	439.4	439.1	440.0	455	409	437	439	440	440
Instruments and related products.....	847.1	837.4	837.6	838.5	847	836	837	838	838	839
Miscellaneous manufacturing.....	392.8	386.6	389.4	390.8	396	394	394	393	394	393
Nondurable goods.....	7,814	7,584	7,594	7,581	7,892	7,719	7,700	7,654	7,660	7,645
Production workers.....	5,471	5,281	5,292	5,280	5,535	5,405	5,383	5,343	5,351	5,331
Food and kindred products.....	1,639.3	1,629.4	1,630.6	1,627.0	1,690	1,679	1,681	1,671	1,676	1,676
Tobacco products.....	37.9	40.3	39.7	37.7	39	38	38	38	39	39
Textile mill products.....	666.6	626.8	631.3	630.0	670	643	638	631	634	632
Apparel and other textile products.....	941.3	843.1	852.8	843.9	946	877	868	854	858	846
Paper and allied products.....	687.2	677.9	675.1	672.9	691	682	682	681	678	677
Printing and publishing.....	1,559.7	1,544.0	1,541.8	1,544.5	1,561	1,552	1,550	1,544	1,543	1,545
Chemicals and allied products.....	1,048.3	1,031.7	1,031.9	1,032.9	1,053	1,039	1,035	1,036	1,035	1,036
Petroleum and coal products.....	144.0	135.0	133.9	134.0	148	139	139	139	138	137
Rubber and misc. plastics products.....	978.6	955.7	956.7	957.0	982	966	966	959	958	956
Leather and leather products.....	110.9	100.2	100.5	100.6	112	104	103	101	101	101
Service producing.....	91,504	91,889	92,785	93,405	91,932	93,078	93,184	93,095	93,573	93,785
Transportation and public utilities.....	6,109	6,170	6,178	6,199	6,175	6,240	6,231	6,231	6,246	6,256
Transportation.....	3,862	3,920	3,933	3,955	3,914	3,973	3,968	3,969	3,988	4,000
Railroad transportation.....	238.4	230.4	232.4	233.9	242	236	237	235	236	237
Local and interurban passenger transit.....	446.5	477.7	485.5	491.4	433	462	466	467	473	478
Trucking and warehousing.....	1,826.1	1,838.8	1,840.0	1,851.7	1,877	1,895	1,883	1,882	1,891	1,899
Water transportation.....	158.6	146.1	145.1	145.0	164	157	154	153	151	149
Transportation by air.....	755.2	787.0	788.6	791.1	760	780	786	789	793	795
Pipelines, except natural gas.....	16.7	15.6	15.5	15.5	17	16	16	16	16	16
Transportation services.....	420.1	424.7	425.9	426.8	421	427	426	427	428	426
Communications and public utilities.....	2,247	2,250	2,245	2,244	2,261	2,267	2,263	2,262	2,258	2,256
Communications.....	1,342.5	1,360.8	1,360.1	1,361.1	1,351	1,367	1,363	1,368	1,367	1,368
Electric, gas, and sanitary services.....	904.5	889.1	885.1	882.9	910	900	900	894	891	888
Wholesale trade.....	6,243	6,350	6,362	6,395	6,287	6,373	6,395	6,401	6,421	6,436
Durable goods.....	3,628	3,711	3,721	3,742	3,643	3,708	3,720	3,730	3,743	3,753
Nondurable goods.....	2,615	2,639	2,641	2,653	2,644	2,665	2,675	2,671	2,678	2,683

See footnotes at end of table.

Table B-1. Employees on nonfarm payrolls by industry--Continued

(In thousands)

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Industry	Not seasonally adjusted				Seasonally adjusted					
	Mar. 1995	Jan. 1996	Feb. 1996p/	Mar. 1996p/	Mar. 1995	Nov. 1995	Dec. 1995	Jan. 1996	Feb. 1996p/	Mar. 1996p/
Retail trade.....	20,300	20,613	20,551	20,634	20,760	20,989	20,981	20,933	21,049	21,071
Building materials and garden supplies....	818.7	823.4	817.6	836.9	849	860	865	869	863	867
General merchandise stores.....	2,423.4	2,554.4	2,451.5	2,443.8	2,530	2,553	2,517	2,499	2,525	2,548
Department stores.....	2,114.2	2,243.2	2,154.5	2,146.6	2,207	2,239	2,207	2,193	2,217	2,241
Food stores.....	3,288.5	3,378.2	3,360.2	3,359.9	3,332	3,394	3,400	3,395	3,398	3,404
Automotive dealers and service stations...	2,177.7	2,225.2	2,235.9	2,255.4	2,202	2,237	2,250	2,255	2,265	2,276
New and used car dealers.....	993.2	1,014.5	1,021.0	1,030.1	998	1,013	1,018	1,021	1,026	1,034
Apparel and accessory stores.....	1,074.6	1,080.9	1,039.3	1,038.8	1,110	1,086	1,071	1,073	1,070	1,072
Furniture and home furnishings stores....	935.0	983.2	979.7	981.8	943	966	967	975	984	989
Eating and drinking places.....	7,033.1	6,943.3	7,054.2	7,131.8	7,191	7,262	7,279	7,248	7,310	7,277
Miscellaneous retail establishments.....	2,548.7	2,624.5	2,612.9	2,585.2	2,603	2,631	2,632	2,619	2,634	2,638
Finance, insurance, and real estate.....	6,890	6,946	6,969	7,003	6,938	6,991	7,001	7,007	7,035	7,044
Finance.....	3,304	3,343	3,354	3,366	3,313	3,337	3,342	3,354	3,366	3,371
Depository institutions.....	2,058.0	2,046.4	2,042.4	2,042.3	2,066	2,051	2,047	2,051	2,051	2,048
Commercial banks.....	1,491.0	1,488.5	1,484.9	1,484.0	1,499	1,492	1,492	1,493	1,492	1,490
Savings institutions.....	288.7	271.5	271.2	271.1	289	276	273	272	272	271
Nondepository institutions.....	477.7	512.2	519.1	525.3	475	503	509	513	519	523
Mortgage bankers and brokers.....	223.7	244.1	247.9	250.5	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Security and commodity brokers.....	528.6	534.4	536.2	538.8	532	533	535	537	539	541
Holding and other investment offices....	239.9	250.4	256.4	259.6	240	250	251	253	257	259
Insurance.....	2,237	2,255	2,257	2,265	2,238	2,252	2,256	2,259	2,262	2,265
Insurance carriers.....	1,536.2	1,542.8	1,543.9	1,548.1	1,536	1,542	1,544	1,546	1,547	1,548
Insurance agents, brokers, and service..	700.8	711.9	713.1	716.7	702	710	712	713	715	717
Real estate.....	1,349	1,348	1,358	1,372	1,387	1,402	1,403	1,394	1,407	1,408
Services3/.....	32,319	32,575	33,090	33,423	32,524	33,185	33,248	33,232	33,495	33,626
Agricultural services.....	521.9	505.2	511.7	543.6	584	593	599	601	614	609
Hotels and other lodging places.....	1,553	1,538	1,554	1,579	1,616	1,630	1,629	1,629	1,635	1,646
Personal services.....	1,219	1,196	1,230	1,227	1,158	1,139	1,140	1,149	1,165	1,163
Business services.....	6,445	6,621	6,739	6,807	6,570	6,769	6,803	6,783	6,905	6,924
Services to buildings.....	863	876	892	896	871	890	896	890	906	904
Personnel supply services.....	2,303	2,310	2,381	2,430	2,399	2,450	2,459	2,442	2,530	2,521
Help supply services.....	2,038	2,041	2,103	2,147	2,138	2,168	2,175	2,160	2,242	2,234
Computer and data processing services...	1,021	1,104	1,116	1,125	1,017	1,089	1,101	1,101	1,112	1,120
Auto repair, services, and parking.....	1,012	1,044	1,060	1,076	1,014	1,043	1,053	1,057	1,068	1,077
Miscellaneous repair services.....	340	340	343	347	344	342	347	344	347	350
Motion pictures.....	576	584	586	598	577	593	584	589	585	595
Amusement and recreation services.....	1,331	1,267	1,306	1,375	1,434	1,500	1,469	1,456	1,465	1,487
Health services.....	9,179	9,379	9,416	9,456	9,197	9,386	9,403	9,408	9,445	9,475
Offices and clinics of medical doctors..	1,571	1,607	1,613	1,617	1,576	1,609	1,616	1,614	1,620	1,620
Nursing and personal care facilities....	1,676	1,711	1,717	1,724	1,679	1,713	1,716	1,716	1,720	1,727
Hospitals.....	3,798	3,834	3,840	3,847	3,802	3,833	3,838	3,838	3,847	3,850
Home health care services.....	596	619	625	631	599	626	630	625	629	632
Legal services.....	928	927	929	932	933	930	932	931	934	937
Educational services.....	1,980	1,856	2,018	2,035	1,863	1,890	1,898	1,888	1,906	1,916
Social services.....	2,268	2,285	2,309	2,328	2,264	2,293	2,298	2,296	2,309	2,317
Child day care services.....	534	532	539	546	519	525	527	525	528	531
Residential care.....	628	641	645	648	629	640	642	644	647	650
Museums and botanical and zoological gardens.....	76	76	76	79	81	83	83	83	84	84
Membership organizations.....	2,047	2,026	2,043	2,051	2,059	2,060	2,063	2,061	2,063	2,066
Engineering and management services.....	2,671	2,760	2,798	2,820	2,658	2,762	2,774	2,785	2,798	2,808
Engineering and architectural services..	787	804	804	811	795	813	816	813	816	819
Management and public relations.....	770	829	837	840	773	835	841	843	844	843
Services, nec.....	40.7	40.9	40.8	40.5	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)
Government.....	19,643	19,235	19,635	19,751	19,248	19,300	19,328	19,291	19,327	19,352
Federal.....	2,822	2,761	2,766	2,764	2,828	2,800	2,799	2,780	2,777	2,772
Federal, except Postal Service.....	1,988.4	1,906.6	1,914.2	1,910.5	1,992	1,946	1,942	1,928	1,924	1,916
State.....	4,736	4,519	4,696	4,722	4,613	4,599	4,591	4,577	4,597	4,596
Education.....	2,045.1	1,869.5	2,040.1	2,064.9	1,904	1,919	1,915	1,904	1,923	1,923
Other State government.....	2,690.4	2,649.0	2,655.5	2,656.8	2,709	2,680	2,676	2,673	2,674	2,673
Local.....	12,085	11,955	12,173	12,265	11,807	11,901	11,938	11,934	11,953	11,984
Education.....	6,975.4	6,827.1	7,024.2	7,085.8	6,599	6,670	6,683	6,674	6,683	6,704
Other local government.....	5,109.1	5,128.2	5,148.9	5,179.4	5,208	5,231	5,255	5,260	5,270	5,280

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					
	Mar. 1995	Jan. 1996	Feb. 1996p/	Mar. 1996p/	Mar. 1995	Nov. 1995	Dec. 1995	Jan. 1996	Feb. 1996p/	Mar. 1996p/
Total private.....	34.3	33.5	34.2	34.2	34.6	34.4	34.3	33.8	34.6	34.5
Goods producing.....	41.0	39.2	40.6	40.6	41.3	40.9	40.6	39.6	41.3	40.8
Mining.....	44.0	43.8	45.2	45.4	44.6	44.3	44.6	43.9	45.7	46.0
Construction.....	38.1	36.6	38.1	37.8	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Manufacturing.....	41.7	39.8	41.2	41.2	42.0	41.5	41.2	39.9	41.6	41.4
Overtime hours.....	4.4	4.0	4.2	4.1	4.7	4.4	4.3	4.2	4.5	4.2
Durable goods.....	42.6	40.8	42.1	41.9	42.8	42.4	41.9	40.9	42.4	42.0
Overtime hours.....	4.9	4.3	4.5	4.3	5.1	4.7	4.6	4.5	4.7	4.4
Lumber and wood products.....	40.4	38.6	39.8	40.2	40.7	40.6	40.0	39.0	40.6	40.5
Furniture and fixtures.....	39.4	35.8	38.6	38.9	39.8	39.7	39.5	35.9	39.4	39.3
Stone, clay, and glass products.....	42.5	40.9	42.4	42.6	43.4	42.9	42.8	42.0	43.7	43.3
Primary metal industries.....	44.4	43.3	44.0	43.7	44.5	44.0	43.7	43.2	44.1	43.7
Blast furnaces and basic steel products	44.7	44.3	44.5	44.5	45.1	44.7	44.3	44.5	44.9	44.7
Fabricated metal products.....	42.5	40.9	42.0	41.9	42.8	42.3	42.1	40.9	42.2	42.1
Industrial machinery and equipment.....	43.9	42.2	43.4	43.4	43.9	43.5	43.0	42.0	43.4	43.2
Electronic and other electrical equipment	41.5	40.3	41.5	41.5	41.8	41.7	41.1	40.1	41.8	41.7
Transportation equipment.....	44.5	42.2	43.2	41.8	44.5	43.9	42.8	42.3	43.3	41.6
Motor vehicles and equipment.....	45.9	43.3	44.0	41.4	45.8	45.0	44.4	43.5	43.9	40.9
Instruments and related products.....	41.7	40.4	41.9	41.8	41.7	41.5	41.2	40.2	42.0	41.7
Miscellaneous manufacturing.....	39.9	37.5	39.2	39.9	39.9	39.7	39.4	37.8	39.6	39.9
Nondurable goods.....	40.5	38.5	40.1	40.3	40.9	40.4	40.2	38.7	40.6	40.6
Overtime hours.....	3.9	3.6	3.8	3.8	4.2	4.0	3.9	3.8	4.2	4.0
Food and kindred products.....	40.6	39.3	40.3	40.6	41.3	40.7	40.6	39.7	41.1	41.3
Tobacco products.....	38.1	36.0	38.9	39.9	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Textile mill products.....	41.2	36.1	40.2	40.8	41.8	40.6	40.2	36.2	40.8	41.1
Apparel and other textile products.....	37.3	33.3	36.8	36.9	37.6	36.6	36.8	33.5	37.1	37.0
Paper and allied products.....	43.1	41.7	42.8	42.8	43.7	43.2	42.9	41.7	43.2	43.2
Printing and publishing.....	38.4	36.7	37.9	38.1	38.4	38.2	37.8	37.1	38.2	38.1
Chemicals and allied products.....	43.3	42.5	43.2	43.1	43.4	43.2	43.2	42.5	43.4	43.1
Petroleum and coal products.....	43.4	43.1	42.9	43.2	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Rubber and misc. plastics products.....	41.8	40.3	41.2	41.2	42.0	41.5	41.4	40.2	41.4	41.3
Leather and leather products.....	38.1	34.6	37.2	38.0	38.4	37.7	37.6	34.7	37.6	38.3
Service producing.....	32.4	31.9	32.4	32.5	32.7	32.7	32.6	32.2	32.7	32.8
Transportation and public utilities.....	39.1	38.5	39.4	39.4	39.5	39.5	39.6	38.9	39.8	39.8
Wholesale trade.....	38.0	37.6	38.0	38.1	38.2	38.2	38.1	37.8	38.2	38.3
Retail trade.....	28.3	27.6	28.3	28.5	28.8	28.8	28.7	28.3	29.0	29.0
Finance, insurance, and real estate.....	35.5	35.5	35.7	35.7	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Services.....	32.2	31.8	32.2	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.

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			
	Mar. 1995	Jan. 1996	Feb. 1996p/	Mar. 1996p/	Mar. 1995	Jan. 1996	Feb. 1996p/	Mar. 1996p/
Total private.....	\$11.36	\$11.72	\$11.69	\$11.69	\$389.65	\$392.62	\$399.80	\$399.80
Seasonally adjusted.....	11.34	11.65	11.65	11.68	392.36	393.77	403.09	402.96
Goods producing.....	12.86	13.25	13.17	13.14	527.26	519.40	534.70	533.48
Mining.....	15.24	15.66	15.62	15.55	670.56	685.91	706.02	705.97
Construction.....	14.84	15.19	15.09	15.08	565.40	555.95	574.93	570.02
Manufacturing.....	12.25	12.64	12.56	12.52	510.83	503.07	517.47	515.82
Durable goods.....	12.83	13.13	13.09	13.00	546.56	535.70	551.09	544.70
Lumber and wood products.....	9.95	10.28	10.24	10.28	401.98	396.81	407.55	413.26
Furniture and fixtures.....	9.67	10.00	9.94	9.98	381.00	358.00	383.68	388.22
Stone, clay, and glass products.....	12.25	12.59	12.53	12.58	520.63	514.93	531.27	535.91
Primary metal industries.....	14.41	14.82	14.70	14.80	639.80	641.71	646.80	646.76
Blast furnaces and basic steel products	17.03	17.67	17.58	17.85	761.24	782.78	782.31	794.33
Fabricated metal products.....	12.05	12.35	12.29	12.29	512.13	505.12	516.18	514.95
Industrial machinery and equipment.....	13.15	13.42	13.40	13.39	577.29	566.32	581.56	581.13
Electronic and other electrical equipment	11.54	11.92	11.83	11.86	478.91	480.38	490.95	492.19
Transportation equipment.....	16.66	16.82	16.92	16.48	741.37	709.80	730.94	688.86
Motor vehicles and equipment.....	17.23	17.36	17.44	16.80	790.86	751.69	767.36	695.52
Instruments and related products.....	12.63	13.01	12.95	13.02	526.67	525.60	542.61	544.24
Miscellaneous manufacturing.....	9.90	10.27	10.22	10.17	395.01	385.13	400.62	405.78
Nondurable goods.....	11.45	11.94	11.81	11.84	463.73	459.69	473.58	477.15
Food and kindred products.....	10.87	11.10	11.05	11.11	441.32	436.23	445.32	451.07
Tobacco products.....	20.44	18.73	18.49	19.34	778.76	674.28	719.26	771.67
Textile mill products.....	9.30	9.57	9.55	9.54	383.16	345.48	383.91	389.23
Apparel and other textile products.....	7.51	7.85	7.79	7.78	280.12	261.41	286.67	287.08
Paper and allied products.....	14.03	14.60	14.45	14.49	604.69	608.82	618.46	620.17
Printing and publishing.....	12.26	12.46	12.45	12.52	470.78	457.28	471.86	477.01
Chemicals and allied products.....	15.43	16.13	16.01	16.03	668.12	685.53	691.63	690.89
Petroleum and coal products.....	19.38	19.41	19.53	19.61	841.09	836.57	837.84	847.15
Rubber and misc. plastics products.....	10.80	11.14	11.14	11.15	451.44	448.94	458.97	459.38
Leather and leather products.....	8.13	8.55	8.46	8.47	309.75	295.83	314.71	321.86
Service producing.....	10.84	11.21	11.20	11.21	351.22	357.60	362.88	364.33
Transportation and public utilities.....	14.06	14.43	14.42	14.39	549.75	555.56	568.15	566.97
Wholesale trade.....	12.25	12.62	12.60	12.61	465.50	474.51	478.80	480.44
Retail trade.....	7.63	7.91	7.85	7.90	215.93	218.32	222.16	225.15
Finance, insurance, and real estate.....	12.21	12.63	12.72	12.76	433.46	448.37	454.10	455.53
Services.....	11.36	11.75	11.74	11.74	365.79	373.65	378.03	378.03

1/ See footnote 1, table B-2.

p = preliminary.

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Table B-4. Average hourly earnings of production or nonsupervisory workers on private nonfarm

payrolls by industry, seasonally adjusted

Industry	Mar. 1995	Nov. 1995	Dec. 1995	Jan. 1996	Feb. 1996p/	Mar. 1996p/	Percent change from: Feb. 1996- Mar. 1996
Total private:							
Current dollars.....	\$11.34	\$11.58	\$11.61	\$11.65	\$11.65	\$11.68	0.3
Constant (1982) dollars ^{2/}	7.39	7.43	7.44	7.43	7.42	N.A.	(3)
Goods producing.....	12.91	13.16	13.16	13.31	13.26	13.21	-.4
Mining.....	15.15	15.44	15.55	15.49	15.48	15.47	-.1
Construction.....	14.90	15.17	15.09	15.28	15.17	15.16	-.1
Manufacturing.....	12.25	12.47	12.49	12.61	12.56	12.52	-.3
Excluding overtime ^{4/}	11.61	11.84	11.87	12.00	11.94	11.91	-.3
Service producing.....	10.79	11.04	11.09	11.10	11.10	11.16	.5
Transportation and public utilities	14.05	14.41	14.39	14.37	14.38	14.39	.1
Wholesale trade.....	12.27	12.50	12.57	12.56	12.56	12.64	.6
Retail trade.....	7.61	7.78	7.82	7.86	7.82	7.88	.8
Finance, insurance, and real estate	12.16	12.51	12.53	12.52	12.62	12.71	.7
Services.....	11.30	11.55	11.61	11.61	11.64	11.68	.3

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 -.1 percent from January 1996 to February 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					
	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Mar.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.
	1995	1996	1996p/	1996p/	1995	1995	1995	1996	1996p/	1996p/
Total private.....	129.2	126.7	130.3	131.2	132.5	133.3	132.9	130.7	134.5	134.5
Goods_producing.....	107.4	101.2	105.3	105.5	111.7	109.3	108.6	105.7	111.1	109.2
Mining.....	52.1	50.9	52.7	53.2	54.5	52.3	53.1	52.2	55.1	55.5
Construction.....	126.7	121.6	127.5	129.9	143.8	144.0	142.2	142.4	153.0	147.0
Manufacturing.....	107.1	100.2	104.1	103.7	108.6	105.7	105.1	101.3	105.7	104.7
Durable goods.....	107.9	102.6	106.0	105.2	108.9	106.7	106.3	103.1	107.2	105.6
Lumber and wood products.....	131.9	122.7	126.5	127.8	136.2	132.7	131.5	126.0	131.4	131.1
Furniture and fixtures.....	124.3	109.7	118.0	118.8	126.1	122.0	122.0	110.3	120.8	120.2
Stone, clay, and glass products.....	105.5	97.8	102.6	105.0	111.0	108.4	107.9	105.1	110.7	109.7
Primary metal industries.....	93.7	91.3	92.5	91.6	94.0	92.4	91.9	90.9	92.8	91.6
Blast furnaces and basic steel products..	73.3	72.4	72.3	72.0	74.5	73.0	72.4	72.7	73.4	72.6
Fabricated metal products.....	113.7	109.3	112.2	111.9	115.2	112.8	112.6	109.6	113.2	112.9
Industrial machinery and equipment.....	103.5	101.1	104.0	104.0	103.1	103.8	103.0	100.5	103.6	102.8
Electronic and other electrical equipment..	107.3	105.0	108.5	107.9	108.2	108.4	106.9	104.4	109.4	108.4
Transportation equipment.....	121.9	112.2	115.9	109.4	121.6	113.8	114.9	112.3	116.0	108.6
Motor vehicles and equipment.....	162.8	150.5	155.3	140.4	162.5	156.2	156.6	153.1	154.7	138.4
Instruments and related products.....	74.5	71.6	74.2	74.8	74.3	73.6	73.1	71.2	74.3	74.3
Miscellaneous manufacturing.....	104.6	95.9	101.4	103.1	105.1	103.9	103.5	98.9	103.6	103.6
Nondurable goods.....	105.9	97.0	101.4	101.7	108.2	104.3	103.5	98.7	103.7	103.4
Food and kindred products.....	109.3	105.7	108.6	109.1	115.6	113.5	113.4	110.2	114.5	115.0
Tobacco products.....	54.0	55.9	59.0	56.7	58.1	58.4	55.2	52.2	59.7	61.2
Textile mill products.....	96.4	78.9	89.0	90.4	98.3	91.6	89.9	79.7	90.9	91.4
Apparel and other textile products.....	86.0	67.5	75.7	75.1	87.1	77.6	77.1	68.8	76.8	75.3
Paper and allied products.....	109.4	104.4	106.7	106.4	111.9	108.9	108.1	105.1	108.5	108.0
Printing and publishing.....	126.7	119.2	122.8	124.1	126.6	125.3	123.6	120.6	124.2	123.7
Chemicals and allied products.....	102.5	100.2	101.6	101.2	102.9	103.1	102.6	100.9	102.5	101.4
Petroleum and coal products.....	76.3	70.4	69.7	70.3	79.9	73.6	73.6	74.3	72.9	72.3
Rubber and misc. plastics products.....	144.3	135.3	138.3	138.4	145.5	141.4	140.5	135.5	138.9	138.6
Leather and leather products.....	51.1	41.4	44.7	45.6	51.9	47.5	46.2	41.6	45.6	45.9
Service_producing.....	138.9	138.1	141.5	142.8	141.8	144.0	143.8	141.9	145.0	145.8
Transportation and public utilities.....	122.2	121.6	125.0	125.4	125.0	126.5	126.9	124.5	128.1	128.4
Wholesale trade.....	117.6	118.2	119.6	120.4	119.2	120.7	120.8	120.0	121.5	122.1
Retail trade.....	124.1	122.6	125.4	126.9	129.5	130.5	130.0	128.0	131.9	132.2
Finance, insurance, and real estate.....	122.8	123.9	125.2	125.7	124.0	125.8	125.8	123.8	126.4	127.2
Services.....	165.3	164.1	169.0	170.8	167.4	170.8	170.6	168.6	171.6	172.9

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 industries ^{1/}												
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.....	48.6	p/63.3	p/55.3									
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	56.3
1996.....	p/59.0	p/59.3										
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	53.7	p/57.6	p/61.2
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	53.8	p/56.2	p/55.1			
1996.....												
Manufacturing payrolls, 139 industries ^{1/}												
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.....	43.2	p/49.3	p/42.8									
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	39.9
1996.....	p/39.6	p/39.6										
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	35.6	p/35.3	p/38.8
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	28.1	p/30.2	p/26.3			
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.