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Unemployment declined in August, and nonfarm payroll employment continued to increase, the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor reported today. The nation's jobless rate fell from 5.4 to 5.1 percent. The number of jobs on nonfarm payrolls rose by 250,000 in August; private sector employment increased by 173,000. Average hourly earnings were up by 6 cents over the month.

Unemployment (Household Survey Data)

Both the number of unemployed persons and the unemployment rate fell in August. The number of persons who were unemployed, at 6.8 million, was 467,000 below July's level. The unemployment rate, at 5.1 percent, was 0.3 percentage point lower than in July. The August decline in unemployment occurred primarily among workers 20 to 24 years old, whose jobless rate fell from 9.7 to 8.3 percent, and among those 55 years and over, whose rate declined from 3.8 to 3.1 percent. (See tables A-1 and A-8.)

Among the unemployed, both the number of persons who had been looking for work for less than 5 weeks and the number who had been looking from 5 to 14 weeks fell in August. Unemployment among persons who had lost their job also declined substantially over the month. (See tables A-5 and A-6.)

Total Employment and the Labor Force (Household Survey Data)

Total employment was about unchanged in August at 127.1 million. At 63.3 percent, the proportion of the population 16 years and over with jobs (the employment-population ratio) also was little different from the July figure. Over the past year, total employment has increased by 2.2 million and the employment-population ratio has risen by half a percentage point. The civilian labor force edged down in August to 133.9 million, after expanding by a half million in July. (See table A-1.)

The number of persons who held more than one job in August was 7.5 million (not seasonally adjusted). These multiple jobholders comprised 5.9 percent of the total employed. (See table A-9.)

Persons Not in the Labor Force (Household Survey Data)

About 1.4 million persons (not seasonally adjusted) were marginally attached to the labor force in August--that is, they wanted and were available for work but had stopped looking for jobs sometime in the prior 12 months. Of this total, discouraged workers--those who were no longer looking specifically because they believed no jobs were available for them--numbered 415,000. (See table A-9.)

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

Category	Quarterly averages		Monthly data			July-Aug. change
	1996		1996			
	I	II	June	July	Aug.	
HOUSEHOLD DATA	Labor force status					
Civilian labor force..	133,192	133,647	133,669	134,181	133,885	-296
Employment.....	125,680	126,389	126,610	126,884	127,055	171
Unemployment.....	7,512	7,258	7,060	7,297	6,830	-467
Not in labor force....	66,584	66,633	66,790	66,460	66,962	502
	Unemployment rates					
All workers.....	5.6	5.4	5.3	5.4	5.1	-0.3
Adult men.....	4.9	4.7	4.6	4.7	4.2	-.5
Adult women.....	4.9	4.8	4.6	4.9	4.6	-.3
Teenagers.....	17.4	16.3	15.9	16.4	17.2	.8
White.....	4.9	4.7	4.6	4.7	4.4	-.3
Black.....	10.7	10.3	10.1	10.5	10.5	.0
Hispanic origin.....	9.7	9.2	8.8	9.0	8.7	-.3
ESTABLISHMENT DATA	Employment					
Nonfarm employment....	118,462	119,272	119,554	p119,782	p120,032	p250
Goods-producing 1/..	24,187	24,249	24,275	p24,266	p24,295	p29
Construction.....	5,308	5,380	5,403	p5,426	p5,432	p6
Manufacturing.....	18,308	18,294	18,297	p18,270	p18,295	p25
Service-producing 1/	94,275	95,024	95,279	p95,516	p95,737	p221
Retail trade.....	21,317	21,499	21,575	p21,663	p21,684	p21
Services.....	33,877	34,257	34,383	p34,457	p34,538	p81
Government.....	19,365	19,435	19,451	p19,490	p19,567	p77
	Hours of work 2/					
Total private.....	34.3	34.4	34.7	p34.3	p34.4	p0.1
Manufacturing.....	40.9	41.7	41.8	p41.6	p41.7	p.1
Overtime.....	4.2	4.6	4.6	p4.4	p4.4	p.0
	Earnings 2/					
Avg. hourly earnings, total private.....	\$11.65	\$11.76	\$11.83	p\$11.81	p\$11.87	p\$0.06
Avg. weekly earnings, total private.....	399.22	404.56	410.50	p405.08	p408.33	p3.25

1/ Includes other industries, not shown separately.
 2/ Data relate to private production or nonsupervisory workers.
 p=preliminary.

Industry Payroll Employment (Establishment Survey Data)

Nonfarm payroll employment rose by 250,000 in August to 120.0 million, seasonally adjusted, about in line with the average monthly gain so far this year. Employment in services rose by 81,000 in August, following a gain of 74,000 in July. During the first half of 1996, services added an average of 120,000 jobs per month. The recent slowdown was in part related to weakness in health services. Job growth in health services has averaged just 8,000 per month since May, following an average monthly gain of 29,000 jobs during the first 5 months of the year. Services employment in August also was held down by a decline of 16,000 jobs in private educational services. This decline followed large gains in June and July. In August, strong job growth continued in business services, particularly help supply and computer services, and in engineering and management services. (See table B-1.)

Government employment rose by 77,000 in August. Nearly two-thirds of the gain took place in local education, which has had three consecutive large employment increases, after seasonal adjustment. The magnitude of the seasonal swings in local education employment, the yearly variation in the timing of school openings and closings, and the recent movement toward more year-round education, all make precise seasonal adjustment of the job count for local education difficult during the summer and autumn. Federal government employment continued to decline in August; since its most recent peak in May 1992, job losses have totaled 236,000.

Both finance and real estate continued to add jobs in August. Transportation and public utilities employment rose by 15,000 over the month, although there were unusual movements in some of the transportation components. Trucking lost 7,000 jobs, while air transportation had a large increase of 9,000. Communications also continued its strong growth pattern, adding 7,000 jobs.

Retail trade gained just 21,000 jobs in August, after having added an average of 80,000 jobs per month over the April-July period. Employment growth in department and food stores was particularly strong, and most other retail industries added workers as well. These increases, however, were partly offset by a decline of 28,000 in eating and drinking places, which followed a gain of 70,000 over the prior 2 months. Wholesale trade added only 7,000 jobs over the month, continuing the trend toward slower growth that began in March.

Manufacturing employment increased by 25,000 in August, offsetting a decline of similar magnitude in July. The largest over-the-month increase was in motor vehicle and equipment manufacturing, where workers returned from unusually widespread July vacation shutdowns. Continued gains in fabricated metals and aircraft were nearly offset by losses in electronic equipment. Within nondurables, job growth continued in rubber and miscellaneous plastics. Apparel experienced a large decline in August, and has lost nearly 10 percent of its jobs over the past year. Elsewhere in the goods-producing sector, employment in construction was little changed in August, after rising by 203,000 during the first 7 months of the year.

Weekly Hours (Establishment Survey Data)

The average workweek for production or nonsupervisory workers on private nonfarm payrolls inched up 0.1 hour in August to 34.4 hours, seasonally adjusted. The manufacturing workweek also edged up 0.1 hour to 41.7 hours, and factory overtime was unchanged at 4.4 hours. (See table B-2.)

The index of aggregate weekly hours of private production or nonsupervisory workers on nonfarm payrolls rose 0.6 percent, on a seasonally adjusted basis, to 136.9 (1982=100) in August. The manufacturing index edged up 0.4 percent to 106.2. (See table B-5.)

Hourly and Weekly Earnings (Establishment Survey Data)

Average hourly earnings of private production or nonsupervisory workers on nonfarm payrolls rose 6 cents in August to \$11.87, seasonally adjusted. Average weekly earnings increased by 0.8 percent to \$408.33. Over the past year, both average hourly earnings and average weekly earnings have risen by 3.6 percent. (See table B-3.)

The Employment Situation for September 1996 is scheduled to be released on Friday, October 4, at 8:30 A.M. (EDT).

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/}					
	Aug. 1995	July 1996	Aug. 1996	Aug. 1995	Apr. 1996	May 1996	June 1996	July 1996	Aug. 1996
TOTAL									
Civilian noninstitutional population.....	198,801	200,641	200,847	198,801	200,101	200,278	200,459	200,641	200,847
Civilian labor force.....	133,383	136,272	135,011	132,298	133,361	133,910	133,669	134,181	133,885
Participation rate.....	67.1	67.9	67.2	66.5	66.6	66.9	66.7	66.9	66.7
Employed.....	125,926	128,579	128,143	124,859	126,095	126,462	126,610	126,884	127,055
Employment-population ratio.....	63.3	64.1	63.8	62.8	63.0	63.1	63.2	63.2	63.3
Agriculture.....	3,697	3,862	3,706	3,376	3,368	3,491	3,382	3,502	3,421
Nonagricultural industries.....	122,229	124,717	124,437	121,483	122,726	122,971	123,228	123,382	123,635
Unemployed.....	7,457	7,693	6,868	7,439	7,266	7,448	7,060	7,297	6,830
Unemployment rate.....	5.6	5.6	5.1	5.6	5.4	5.6	5.3	5.4	5.1
Not in labor force.....	65,418	64,369	65,836	66,503	66,741	66,368	66,790	66,460	66,962
Men, 16 years and over									
Civilian noninstitutional population.....	95,287	96,230	96,335	95,287	95,955	96,048	96,140	96,230	96,335
Civilian labor force.....	72,133	73,801	72,888	71,259	71,935	72,241	72,121	72,375	71,973
Participation rate.....	75.7	76.7	75.7	74.8	75.0	75.2	75.0	75.2	74.7
Employed.....	68,326	69,819	69,533	67,248	67,933	68,278	68,283	68,400	68,442
Employment-population ratio.....	71.7	72.6	72.2	70.6	70.8	71.1	71.0	71.1	71.0
Unemployed.....	3,807	3,982	3,355	4,011	4,002	3,964	3,837	3,975	3,531
Unemployment rate.....	5.3	5.4	4.6	5.6	5.6	5.5	5.3	5.5	4.9
Men, 20 years and over									
Civilian noninstitutional population.....	87,905	88,614	88,650	87,905	88,440	88,530	88,570	88,614	88,650
Civilian labor force.....	67,446	68,639	68,390	67,218	67,821	68,064	68,118	68,274	68,114
Participation rate.....	76.7	77.5	77.1	76.5	76.7	76.9	76.9	77.0	76.8
Employed.....	64,394	65,618	65,725	63,982	64,555	64,818	64,962	65,094	65,286
Employment-population ratio.....	73.3	74.0	74.1	72.8	73.0	73.2	73.3	73.5	73.6
Agriculture.....	2,441	2,529	2,477	2,297	2,292	2,337	2,292	2,381	2,352
Nonagricultural industries.....	61,953	63,090	63,248	61,685	62,263	62,480	62,669	62,713	62,933
Unemployed.....	3,052	3,020	2,665	3,236	3,266	3,246	3,157	3,179	2,829
Unemployment rate.....	4.5	4.4	3.9	4.8	4.8	4.8	4.6	4.7	4.2
Women, 16 years and over									
Civilian noninstitutional population.....	103,514	104,411	104,512	103,514	104,146	104,230	104,319	104,411	104,512
Civilian labor force.....	61,250	62,471	62,123	61,039	61,426	61,669	61,548	61,806	61,912
Participation rate.....	59.2	59.8	59.4	59.0	59.0	59.2	59.0	59.2	59.2
Employed.....	57,600	58,760	58,610	57,611	58,161	58,184	58,326	58,484	58,613
Employment-population ratio.....	55.6	56.3	56.1	55.7	55.8	55.8	55.9	56.0	56.1
Unemployed.....	3,650	3,711	3,514	3,428	3,264	3,485	3,222	3,322	3,299
Unemployment rate.....	6.0	5.9	5.7	5.6	5.3	5.7	5.2	5.4	5.3
Women, 20 years and over									
Civilian noninstitutional population.....	96,327	97,064	97,146	96,327	96,857	96,925	96,999	97,064	97,146
Civilian labor force.....	57,065	57,933	57,992	57,291	57,763	57,915	57,893	58,102	58,225
Participation rate.....	59.2	59.7	59.7	59.5	59.6	59.8	59.7	59.9	59.9
Employed.....	53,963	54,880	55,026	54,458	55,060	55,014	55,211	55,266	55,522
Employment-population ratio.....	56.0	56.5	56.6	56.5	56.8	56.8	56.9	56.9	57.2
Agriculture.....	865	913	880	811	813	831	842	863	829
Nonagricultural industries.....	53,098	53,968	54,146	53,647	54,247	54,183	54,369	54,403	54,693
Unemployed.....	3,102	3,052	2,966	2,833	2,704	2,901	2,682	2,837	2,704
Unemployment rate.....	5.4	5.3	5.1	4.9	4.7	5.0	4.6	4.9	4.6
Both sexes, 16 to 19 years									
Civilian noninstitutional population.....	14,569	14,963	15,051	14,569	14,805	14,823	14,890	14,963	15,051
Civilian labor force.....	8,872	9,701	8,629	7,789	7,776	7,932	7,658	7,805	7,545
Participation rate.....	60.9	64.8	57.3	53.5	52.5	53.5	51.4	52.2	50.1
Employed.....	7,569	8,080	7,392	6,419	6,480	6,630	6,437	6,524	6,248
Employment-population ratio.....	52.0	54.0	49.1	44.1	43.8	44.7	43.2	43.6	41.5
Agriculture.....	390	420	349	268	263	323	248	258	240
Nonagricultural industries.....	7,179	7,660	7,043	6,151	6,217	6,308	6,189	6,266	6,008
Unemployed.....	1,303	1,620	1,237	1,370	1,296	1,301	1,221	1,280	1,297
Unemployment rate.....	14.7	16.7	14.3	17.6	16.7	16.4	15.9	16.4	17.2

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/}					
	Aug. 1995	July 1996	Aug. 1996	Aug. 1995	Apr. 1996	May 1996	June 1996	July 1996	Aug. 1996
WHITE									
Civilian noninstitutional population.....	167,058	168,345	168,489	167,058	167,973	168,098	168,222	168,345	168,489
Civilian labor force.....	112,815	114,808	113,713	111,939	112,613	113,109	112,941	113,076	112,832
Participation rate.....	67.5	68.2	67.5	67.0	67.0	67.3	67.1	67.2	67.0
Employed.....	107,479	109,338	108,801	106,512	107,319	107,612	107,757	107,772	107,828
Employment-population ratio.....	64.3	64.9	64.6	63.8	63.9	64.0	64.1	64.0	64.0
Unemployed.....	5,336	5,470	4,912	5,427	5,294	5,497	5,184	5,304	5,004
Unemployment rate.....	4.7	4.8	4.3	4.8	4.7	4.9	4.6	4.7	4.4
Men, 20 years and over									
Civilian labor force.....	57,800	58,789	58,553	57,614	58,202	58,340	58,426	58,456	58,354
Participation rate.....	77.1	77.9	77.5	76.9	77.3	77.4	77.5	77.5	77.3
Employed.....	55,567	56,584	56,568	55,171	55,778	55,914	56,047	56,079	56,174
Employment-population ratio.....	74.2	75.0	74.9	73.6	74.1	74.2	74.3	74.3	74.4
Unemployed.....	2,234	2,205	1,985	2,443	2,424	2,426	2,379	2,376	2,179
Unemployment rate.....	3.9	3.8	3.4	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.1	4.1	3.7
Women, 20 years and over									
Civilian labor force.....	47,632	47,926	47,960	47,790	47,884	48,103	47,956	47,981	48,124
Participation rate.....	59.1	59.1	59.1	59.3	59.2	59.4	59.2	59.2	59.3
Employed.....	45,366	45,779	45,847	45,741	45,937	45,976	46,063	46,009	46,217
Employment-population ratio.....	56.3	56.5	56.5	56.7	56.8	56.8	56.9	56.8	57.0
Unemployed.....	2,266	2,148	2,113	2,049	1,947	2,128	1,894	1,972	1,907
Unemployment rate.....	4.8	4.5	4.4	4.3	4.1	4.4	3.9	4.1	4.0
Both sexes, 16 to 19 years									
Civilian labor force.....	7,383	8,092	7,200	6,535	6,527	6,666	6,558	6,639	6,354
Participation rate.....	64.2	68.3	60.6	56.8	55.7	56.6	55.5	56.0	53.5
Employed.....	6,546	6,975	6,387	5,600	5,604	5,723	5,647	5,684	5,437
Employment-population ratio.....	56.9	58.9	53.7	48.7	47.8	48.6	47.8	48.0	45.7
Unemployed.....	836	1,117	813	935	923	943	911	955	917
Unemployment rate.....	11.3	13.8	11.3	14.3	14.1	14.1	13.9	14.4	14.4
Men.....	12.3	15.1	12.1	15.7	15.2	15.2	14.7	16.6	15.6
Women.....	10.2	12.3	10.5	12.8	12.9	12.9	13.0	12.0	13.2
BLACK									
Civilian noninstitutional population.....	23,284	23,611	23,650	23,284	23,519	23,549	23,579	23,611	23,650
Civilian labor force.....	14,910	15,590	15,470	14,781	14,971	15,149	14,955	15,279	15,361
Participation rate.....	64.0	66.0	65.4	63.5	63.7	64.3	63.4	64.7	65.0
Employed.....	13,230	13,785	13,792	13,159	13,399	13,599	13,451	13,671	13,750
Employment-population ratio.....	56.8	58.4	58.3	56.5	57.0	57.7	57.0	57.9	58.1
Unemployed.....	1,680	1,805	1,677	1,622	1,573	1,551	1,504	1,609	1,611
Unemployment rate.....	11.3	11.6	10.8	11.0	10.5	10.2	10.1	10.5	10.5
Men, 20 years and over									
Civilian labor force.....	6,704	6,876	6,888	6,696	6,696	6,786	6,728	6,867	6,890
Participation rate.....	72.0	73.0	73.2	71.9	71.3	72.2	71.5	72.9	73.2
Employed.....	6,081	6,233	6,320	6,080	6,055	6,136	6,110	6,233	6,326
Employment-population ratio.....	65.3	66.2	67.1	65.3	64.5	65.3	64.9	66.2	67.2
Unemployed.....	623	643	568	616	641	650	617	634	564
Unemployment rate.....	9.3	9.3	8.2	9.2	9.6	9.6	9.2	9.2	8.2
Women, 20 years and over									
Civilian labor force.....	7,112	7,469	7,478	7,138	7,300	7,373	7,373	7,504	7,511
Participation rate.....	60.8	63.1	63.1	61.0	61.9	62.4	62.4	63.4	63.4
Employed.....	6,449	6,741	6,749	6,511	6,687	6,758	6,743	6,830	6,824
Employment-population ratio.....	55.1	57.0	57.0	55.7	56.7	57.2	57.0	57.7	57.6
Unemployed.....	663	727	728	627	613	615	630	674	687
Unemployment rate.....	9.3	9.7	9.7	8.8	8.4	8.3	8.5	9.0	9.1
Both sexes, 16 to 19 years									
Civilian labor force.....	1,094	1,245	1,104	947	976	990	854	908	960
Participation rate.....	48.0	52.8	46.2	41.6	41.9	42.3	36.4	38.5	40.2
Employed.....	700	810	723	568	657	705	598	607	599
Employment-population ratio.....	30.7	34.4	30.3	24.9	28.2	30.1	25.4	25.8	25.1
Unemployed.....	394	435	381	379	319	286	256	301	361
Unemployment rate.....	36.0	34.9	34.5	40.0	32.7	28.9	30.0	33.1	37.6
Men.....	39.6	41.9	36.4	43.0	34.1	27.4	35.3	43.3	38.6
Women.....	32.1	26.6	32.4	37.0	31.3	30.2	25.0	20.9	36.5
HISPANIC ORIGIN									
Civilian noninstitutional population.....	18,702	19,238	19,292	18,702	19,080	19,131	19,184	19,238	19,292
Civilian labor force.....	12,453	12,893	12,989	12,355	12,511	12,514	12,576	12,641	12,877
Participation rate.....	66.6	67.0	67.3	66.1	65.6	65.4	65.6	65.7	66.7
Employed.....	11,270	11,707	11,844	11,173	11,294	11,365	11,472	11,500	11,750
Employment-population ratio.....	60.3	60.9	61.4	59.7	59.2	59.4	59.8	59.8	60.9
Unemployed.....	1,183	1,186	1,145	1,182	1,217	1,149	1,104	1,141	1,127
Unemployment rate.....	9.5	9.2	8.8	9.6	9.7	9.2	8.8	9.0	8.7

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.

HOUSEHOLD DATA

Table A-3. Selected employment indicators

(In thousands)

Category	Not seasonally adjusted			Seasonally adjusted					
	Aug. 1995	July 1996	Aug. 1996	Aug. 1995	Apr. 1996	May 1996	June 1996	July 1996	Aug. 1996
CHARACTERISTIC									
Total employed, 16 years and over.....	125,926	128,579	128,143	124,859	126,095	126,462	126,610	126,884	127,055
Married men, spouse present.....	42,060	42,521	42,622	42,086	42,067	42,406	42,587	42,478	42,622
Married women, spouse present.....	31,614	32,157	32,209	32,153	31,868	32,330	32,649	32,713	32,732
Women who maintain families.....	7,202	7,157	7,276	7,205	7,389	7,314	7,360	7,230	7,291
OCCUPATION									
Managerial and professional specialty.....	35,313	36,181	36,265	35,614	36,115	36,257	36,696	36,361	36,520
Technical, sales, and administrative support....	37,510	38,210	37,971	37,431	37,638	37,681	37,683	37,795	37,858
Service occupations.....	17,144	17,801	17,571	16,959	16,939	17,312	17,215	17,418	17,397
Precision production, craft, and repair.....	13,722	13,721	14,029	13,387	13,595	13,439	13,572	13,439	13,701
Operators, fabricators, and laborers.....	18,195	18,540	18,344	17,879	18,124	18,282	18,137	18,392	18,075
Farming, forestry, and fishing.....	4,041	4,126	3,962	3,577	3,545	3,560	3,472	3,594	3,500
CLASS OF WORKER									
Agriculture:									
Wage and salary workers.....	1,983	2,109	1,991	1,779	1,862	2,026	1,900	1,863	1,802
Self-employed workers.....	1,660	1,686	1,635	1,550	1,484	1,456	1,457	1,564	1,528
Unpaid family workers.....	54	66	79	45	52	46	35	52	65
Nonagricultural industries:									
Wage and salary workers.....	113,145	115,495	115,358	112,448	113,527	114,032	114,130	114,294	114,634
Government.....	17,758	17,781	17,737	18,314	18,290	18,256	18,329	18,294	18,286
Private industries.....	95,387	97,714	97,620	94,134	95,237	95,776	95,801	96,000	96,348
Private households.....	970	985	1,030	933	844	918	812	935	1,009
Other industries.....	94,417	96,729	96,590	93,201	94,393	94,858	94,989	95,065	95,339
Self-employed workers.....	8,975	9,088	8,956	8,883	9,081	8,878	9,073	8,998	8,876
Unpaid family workers.....	109	134	124	106	101	124	136	130	121
PERSONS AT WORK PART TIME									
All industries:									
Part time for economic reasons.....	4,553	4,646	4,407	4,467	4,525	4,277	4,301	4,366	4,354
Slack work or business conditions.....	2,462	2,553	2,388	2,546	2,594	2,216	2,322	2,589	2,477
Could only find part-time work.....	1,658	1,755	1,615	1,634	1,571	1,719	1,569	1,494	1,610
Part time for noneconomic reasons.....	15,070	15,551	15,459	17,894	17,487	17,620	18,211	17,814	18,229
Nonagricultural industries:									
Part time for economic reasons.....	4,316	4,441	4,218	4,291	4,287	4,068	4,146	4,159	4,205
Slack work or business conditions.....	2,311	2,437	2,242	2,414	2,476	2,092	2,215	2,457	2,350
Could only find part-time work.....	1,614	1,701	1,586	1,610	1,534	1,663	1,542	1,479	1,600
Part time for noneconomic reasons.....	14,468	14,910	14,866	17,251	16,994	17,038	17,623	17,157	17,613

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 rates1/					
	Aug. 1995	July 1996	Aug. 1996	Aug. 1995	Apr. 1996	May 1996	June 1996	July 1996	Aug. 1996
CHARACTERISTIC									
Total, 16 years and over.....	7,439	7,297	6,830	5.6	5.4	5.6	5.3	5.4	5.1
Men, 20 years and over.....	3,236	3,179	2,829	4.8	4.8	4.8	4.6	4.7	4.2
Women, 20 years and over.....	2,833	2,837	2,704	4.9	4.7	5.0	4.6	4.9	4.6
Both sexes, 16 to 19 years.....	1,370	1,280	1,297	17.6	16.7	16.4	15.9	16.4	17.2
Married men, spouse present.....	1,433	1,309	1,258	3.3	3.0	2.9	3.0	3.0	2.9
Married women, spouse present.....	1,341	1,194	1,085	4.0	3.7	3.8	3.6	3.5	3.2
Women who maintain families.....	560	721	704	7.2	6.8	8.7	7.6	9.1	8.8
Full-time workers.....	5,962	5,825	5,363	5.5	5.4	5.5	5.2	5.3	4.9
Part-time workers.....	1,487	1,505	1,476	6.0	5.8	5.9	5.6	6.1	5.9
OCCUPATION2/									
Managerial and professional specialty.....	924	922	786	2.5	2.3	2.3	2.4	2.5	2.1
Technical, sales, and administrative support...	1,704	1,842	1,685	4.4	4.4	4.7	4.1	4.6	4.3
Precision production, craft, and repair.....	920	776	754	6.4	5.5	5.3	5.2	5.5	5.2
Operators, fabricators, and laborers.....	1,636	1,545	1,534	8.4	8.0	8.3	7.9	7.7	7.8
Farming, forestry, and fishing.....	259	242	216	6.8	8.0	9.1	7.7	6.3	5.8
INDUSTRY									
Nonagricultural private wage and salary workers	5,820	5,635	5,418	5.8	5.7	5.7	5.5	5.5	5.3
Goods-producing industries.....	1,817	1,646	1,582	6.5	6.1	6.2	6.1	5.9	5.6
Mining.....	27	16	25	4.4	4.4	2.1	4.7	2.8	4.4
Construction.....	762	661	575	12.0	10.2	10.0	9.5	10.1	8.8
Manufacturing.....	1,028	970	981	4.9	4.8	5.1	5.1	4.6	4.7
Durable goods.....	511	514	464	4.2	4.8	4.8	4.6	4.2	3.8
Nondurable goods.....	517	455	517	5.9	4.8	5.5	5.7	5.3	6.0
Service-producing industries.....	4,003	3,989	3,836	5.6	5.5	5.6	5.2	5.4	5.2
Transportation and public utilities.....	310	308	303	4.4	4.2	4.2	4.5	4.3	4.2
Wholesale and retail trade.....	1,677	1,690	1,664	6.5	6.6	6.6	6.4	6.3	6.3
Finance, insurance, and real estate.....	240	211	177	3.3	2.3	2.5	2.6	2.8	2.4
Services.....	1,776	1,781	1,692	5.6	5.6	5.7	5.1	5.5	5.2
Government workers.....	556	606	500	2.9	2.9	3.3	2.7	3.2	2.7
Agricultural wage and salary workers.....	170	175	144	8.7	10.9	10.0	9.2	8.6	7.4

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.

HOUSEHOLD DATA

Table A-5. Duration of unemployment

(Numbers in thousands)

Duration	Not seasonally adjusted			Seasonally adjusted					
	Aug. 1995	July 1996	Aug. 1996	Aug. 1995	Apr. 1996	May 1996	June 1996	July 1996	Aug. 1996
NUMBER OF UNEMPLOYED									
Less than 5 weeks.....	2,578	2,941	2,364	2,715	2,412	2,815	2,485	2,701	2,486
5 to 14 weeks.....	2,668	2,540	2,402	2,373	2,337	2,334	2,160	2,322	2,129
15 weeks and over.....	2,211	2,212	2,102	2,371	2,388	2,336	2,435	2,319	2,248
15 to 26 weeks.....	975	822	835	1,129	1,106	1,020	1,116	958	978
27 weeks and over.....	1,237	1,391	1,268	1,242	1,282	1,317	1,319	1,361	1,270
Average (mean) duration, in weeks.....	16.2	16.1	17.3	16.3	17.4	16.8	17.6	16.8	17.4
Median duration, in weeks.....	8.4	7.7	8.6	8.4	8.8	8.3	8.1	8.6	8.5
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.....	34.6	38.2	34.4	36.4	33.8	37.6	35.1	36.8	36.2
5 to 14 weeks.....	35.8	33.0	35.0	31.8	32.7	31.2	30.5	31.6	31.0
15 weeks and over.....	29.7	28.8	30.6	31.8	33.5	31.2	34.4	31.6	32.8
15 to 26 weeks.....	13.1	10.7	12.2	15.1	15.5	13.6	15.8	13.1	14.3
27 weeks and over.....	16.6	18.1	18.5	16.7	18.0	17.6	18.6	18.5	18.5

HOUSEHOLD DATA

Table A-6. Reason for unemployment

(Numbers in thousands)

Reason	Not seasonally adjusted			Seasonally adjusted					
	Aug.	July	Aug.	Aug.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.
	1995	1996	1996	1995	1996	1996	1996	1996	1996
NUMBER OF UNEMPLOYED									
Job losers and persons who completed temporary jobs.....	3,331	3,323	2,932	3,455	3,625	3,388	3,431	3,343	3,054
On temporary layoff.....	910	974	777	1,032	1,116	1,154	990	953	889
Not on temporary layoff.....	2,420	2,349	2,155	2,423	2,509	2,234	2,441	2,391	2,165
Permanent job losers.....	1,697	1,686	1,459	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)
Persons who completed temporary jobs.....	724	663	696	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)
Job leavers.....	896	772	808	865	702	661	676	749	773
Reentrants.....	2,620	2,716	2,556	2,525	2,379	2,784	2,419	2,529	2,448
New entrants.....	609	882	573	581	550	532	528	623	548
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.....	44.7	43.2	42.7	46.5	50.0	46.0	48.6	46.1	44.8
On temporary layoff.....	12.2	12.7	11.3	13.9	15.4	15.7	14.0	13.1	13.0
Not on temporary layoff.....	32.5	30.5	31.4	32.6	34.6	30.3	34.6	33.0	31.7
Job leavers.....	12.0	10.0	11.8	11.6	9.7	9.0	9.6	10.3	11.3
Reentrants.....	35.1	35.3	37.2	34.0	32.8	37.8	34.3	34.9	35.9
New entrants.....	8.2	11.5	8.3	7.8	7.6	7.2	7.5	8.6	8.0
UNEMPLOYED AS A PERCENT OF THE CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE									
Job losers and persons who completed temporary jobs.....	2.5	2.4	2.2	2.6	2.7	2.5	2.6	2.5	2.3
Job leavers.....	.7	.6	.6	.7	.5	.5	.5	.6	.6
Reentrants.....	2.0	2.0	1.9	1.9	1.8	2.1	1.8	1.9	1.8
New entrants.....	.5	.6	.4	.4	.4	.4	.4	.5	.4

1/ Not available.

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

Measure	Not seasonally adjusted			Seasonally adjusted					
	Aug. 1995	July 1996	Aug. 1996	Aug. 1995	Apr. 1996	May 1996	June 1996	July 1996	Aug. 1996
U-1 Persons unemployed 15 weeks or longer, as a percent of the civilian labor force.....	1.7	1.6	1.6	1.8	1.8	1.7	1.8	1.7	1.7
U-2 Job losers and persons who completed temporary jobs, as a percent of the civilian labor force.....	2.5	2.4	2.2	2.6	2.7	2.5	2.6	2.5	2.3
U-3 Total unemployed, as a percent of the civilian labor force (official unemployment rate).....	5.6	5.6	5.1	5.6	5.4	5.6	5.3	5.4	5.1
U-4 Total unemployed plus discouraged workers, as a percent of the civilian labor force plus discouraged workers.....	5.9	5.9	5.4	(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.....	6.6	6.7	6.1	(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.....	10.0	10.0	9.3	(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/}					
	Aug. 1995	July 1996	Aug. 1996	Aug. 1995	Apr. 1996	May 1996	June 1996	July 1996	Aug. 1996
Total, 16 years and over.....	7,439	7,297	6,830	5.6	5.4	5.6	5.3	5.4	5.1
16 to 24 years.....	2,658	2,563	2,380	12.4	11.8	12.2	11.7	12.2	11.5
16 to 19 years.....	1,370	1,280	1,297	17.6	16.7	16.4	15.9	16.4	17.2
16 to 17 years.....	663	637	602	20.7	18.7	19.4	19.0	19.4	19.1
18 to 19 years.....	701	640	698	15.3	15.3	14.2	13.4	14.1	16.0
20 to 24 years.....	1,288	1,283	1,083	9.5	9.0	9.7	9.3	9.7	8.3
25 years and over.....	4,784	4,720	4,459	4.3	4.2	4.3	4.1	4.2	3.9
25 to 54 years.....	4,181	4,105	3,945	4.4	4.3	4.4	4.2	4.2	4.1
55 years and over.....	582	607	493	3.7	3.3	3.6	3.6	3.8	3.1
Men, 16 years and over.....	4,011	3,975	3,531	5.6	5.6	5.5	5.3	5.5	4.9
16 to 24 years.....	1,489	1,492	1,237	13.1	12.8	12.9	12.4	13.3	11.5
16 to 19 years.....	775	795	702	19.2	17.9	17.2	17.0	19.4	18.2
16 to 17 years.....	366	408	341	22.2	21.2	20.0	20.5	24.2	22.0
18 to 19 years.....	404	389	362	16.9	16.1	15.4	14.2	16.1	15.9
20 to 24 years.....	714	696	535	9.8	9.9	10.4	9.7	9.8	7.7
25 years and over.....	2,526	2,466	2,307	4.2	4.2	4.1	4.0	4.0	3.8
25 to 54 years.....	2,196	2,115	2,005	4.3	4.4	4.2	4.1	4.1	3.8
55 years and over.....	315	345	291	3.7	3.0	3.3	3.5	3.8	3.2
Women, 16 years and over.....	3,428	3,322	3,299	5.6	5.3	5.7	5.2	5.4	5.3
16 to 24 years.....	1,169	1,071	1,144	11.6	10.7	11.4	11.0	10.9	11.6
16 to 19 years.....	595	485	595	15.9	15.3	15.6	14.8	13.1	16.2
16 to 17 years.....	297	229	260	19.2	16.1	18.8	17.5	14.4	16.3
18 to 19 years.....	297	251	336	13.5	14.4	12.9	12.5	11.8	16.0
20 to 24 years.....	574	586	548	9.1	8.1	8.8	8.7	9.5	8.9
25 years and over.....	2,258	2,254	2,153	4.4	4.2	4.5	4.1	4.3	4.1
25 to 54 years.....	1,985	1,989	1,940	4.5	4.2	4.6	4.2	4.4	4.3
55 years and over.....	267	262	202	3.8	3.6	3.9	3.6	3.7	2.9

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	
	Aug. 1995	Aug. 1996	Aug. 1995	Aug. 1996	Aug. 1995	Aug. 1996
NOT IN THE LABOR FORCE						
Total not in the labor force.....	65,418	65,836	23,155	23,447	42,264	42,389
Persons who currently want a job.....	5,718	5,666	2,127	2,118	3,592	3,547
Searched for work and available to work now1/.....	1,510	1,436	673	687	837	749
Reason not currently looking:						
Discouragement over job prospects2/.....	410	415	241	256	169	159
Reasons other than discouragement3/.....	1,101	1,021	433	432	668	590
MULTIPLE JOBHOLDERS						
Total multiple jobholders4/.....	7,565	7,525	4,189	4,089	3,376	3,436
Percent of total employed.....	6.0	5.9	6.1	5.9	5.9	5.9
Primary job full time, secondary job part time.....	4,390	4,252	2,655	2,528	1,736	1,724
Primary and secondary jobs both part time.....	1,626	1,514	575	513	1,051	1,001
Primary and secondary jobs both full time.....	278	245	195	192	83	53
Hours vary on primary or secondary job.....	1,222	1,477	743	848	479	630

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					
	Aug. 1995	June 1996	July 1996p/ 1996p/	Aug. 1996p/ 1996p/	Aug. 1995	Apr. 1996	May 1996	June 1996	July 1996p/ 1996p/	Aug. 1996p/ 1996p/
Total.....	117,206	120,578	119,539	119,750	117,499	118,928	119,335	119,554	119,782	120,032
Total private.....	99,082	101,066	101,143	101,496	98,130	99,531	99,877	100,103	100,292	100,465
Goods_producing.....	24,629	24,585	24,549	24,757	24,179	24,209	24,262	24,275	24,266	24,295
Mining.....	587	578	580	579	576	573	576	575	570	568
Metal mining.....	52.1	53.0	53.0	53.2	51	51	52	52	52	52
Coal mining.....	105.4	100.6	100.5	97.5	105	101	101	101	100	97
Oil and gas extraction.....	319.5	313.2	314.2	315.1	314	314	316	314	310	311
Nonmetallic minerals, except fuels.....	109.9	111.6	112.5	113.3	106	107	107	108	108	108
Construction.....	5,494	5,626	5,743	5,776	5,164	5,353	5,384	5,403	5,426	5,432
General building contractors.....	1,256.0	1,269.2	1,287.2	1,291.6	1,194	1,227	1,229	1,233	1,230	1,229
Heavy construction, except building.....	822.8	823.9	835.3	842.6	752	765	764	768	768	770
Special trade contractors.....	3,415.1	3,532.4	3,620.1	3,642.2	3,218	3,361	3,391	3,402	3,428	3,433
Manufacturing.....	18,548	18,381	18,226	18,402	18,439	18,283	18,302	18,297	18,270	18,295
Production workers.....	12,853	12,702	12,541	12,720	12,765	12,623	12,632	12,635	12,615	12,631
Durable goods.....	10,657	10,747	10,632	10,714	10,653	10,654	10,679	10,695	10,682	10,714
Production workers.....	7,291	7,373	7,253	7,328	7,300	7,290	7,302	7,327	7,318	7,339
Lumber and wood products.....	773.3	774.0	774.7	780.4	761	761	762	766	764	767
Furniture and fixtures.....	505.7	501.9	491.9	501.8	507	498	500	500	500	501
Stone, clay, and glass products.....	548.0	547.8	544.6	548.3	536	534	537	536	535	536
Primary metal industries.....	707.6	709.3	694.8	703.3	709	704	705	708	700	703
Blast furnaces and basic steel products.....	241.0	239.4	238.3	238.4	241	238	239	239	237	237
Fabricated metal products.....	1,436.9	1,457.2	1,439.8	1,456.3	1,438	1,440	1,443	1,450	1,453	1,458
Industrial machinery and equipment.....	2,057.6	2,098.7	2,082.4	2,080.8	2,067	2,086	2,087	2,088	2,087	2,089
Computer and office equipment.....	351.2	360.9	359.9	359.6	351	358	360	359	357	359
Electronic and other electrical equipment.....	1,623.6	1,655.6	1,648.2	1,649.9	1,625	1,650	1,652	1,651	1,658	1,652
Electronic components and accessories...	587.0	616.2	615.9	615.4	586	615	615	614	616	615
Transportation equipment.....	1,778.5	1,778.5	1,744.6	1,773.1	1,787	1,763	1,773	1,775	1,769	1,791
Motor vehicles and equipment.....	968.4	973.0	934.9	960.2	972	958	965	967	955	979
Aircraft and parts.....	445.7	445.7	450.6	454.4	449	447	449	446	454	457
Instruments and related products.....	836.3	836.5	831.6	834.1	835	832	834	835	831	833
Miscellaneous manufacturing.....	389.6	387.8	378.9	385.6	388	386	386	386	385	384
Nondurable goods.....	7,891	7,634	7,594	7,688	7,786	7,629	7,623	7,602	7,588	7,581
Production workers.....	5,562	5,329	5,288	5,392	5,465	5,333	5,330	5,308	5,297	5,292
Food and kindred products.....	1,759.3	1,647.3	1,676.3	1,726.0	1,676	1,666	1,664	1,647	1,640	1,644
Tobacco products.....	44.1	37.7	37.3	40.0	43	41	41	41	41	39
Textile mill products.....	663.8	641.6	630.9	637.6	662	636	637	637	637	634
Apparel and other textile products.....	926.9	856.6	828.1	840.0	922	859	853	847	848	835
Paper and allied products.....	696.3	681.6	677.2	680.1	692	677	679	676	673	674
Printing and publishing.....	1,539.3	1,527.8	1,525.4	1,524.2	1,541	1,527	1,525	1,528	1,527	1,525
Chemicals and allied products.....	1,038.1	1,026.9	1,025.1	1,027.9	1,031	1,024	1,025	1,020	1,019	1,022
Petroleum and coal products.....	146.6	142.3	142.2	142.7	143	139	139	140	139	139
Rubber and misc. plastics products.....	971.6	974.4	959.2	972.5	972	962	963	969	967	974
Leather and leather products.....	105.3	97.3	92.0	96.9	104	98	97	97	97	95
Service_producing.....	92,577	95,993	94,990	94,993	93,320	94,719	95,073	95,279	95,516	95,737
Transportation and public utilities.....	6,170	6,364	6,324	6,335	6,187	6,294	6,311	6,327	6,333	6,348
Transportation.....	3,904	4,070	4,026	4,034	3,936	4,015	4,028	4,043	4,051	4,062
Railroad transportation.....	239.2	231.8	233.0	232.4	238	233	232	231	230	230
Local and interurban passenger transit..	366.5	452.8	393.8	394.4	432	442	450	453	459	465
Trucking and warehousing.....	1,894.8	1,905.1	1,907.0	1,907.3	1,872	1,882	1,891	1,890	1,887	1,880
Water transportation.....	180.0	177.3	181.7	179.5	175	173	167	171	172	173
Transportation by air.....	794.2	846.6	853.4	861.4	789	837	837	844	847	856
Pipelines, except natural gas.....	14.9	14.2	14.3	14.2	15	14	14	14	14	14
Transportation services.....	414.4	441.7	442.8	445.2	415	434	437	440	442	444
Communications and public utilities.....	2,266	2,294	2,298	2,301	2,251	2,279	2,283	2,284	2,282	2,286
Communications.....	1,345.2	1,391.5	1,397.1	1,403.3	1,339	1,378	1,384	1,388	1,391	1,398
Electric, gas, and sanitary services....	920.9	902.8	900.8	897.5	912	901	899	896	891	888
Wholesale trade.....	6,472	6,622	6,630	6,628	6,437	6,550	6,567	6,576	6,586	6,593
Durable goods.....	3,767	3,883	3,885	3,881	3,752	3,844	3,850	3,858	3,861	3,866
Nondurable goods.....	2,705	2,739	2,745	2,747	2,685	2,706	2,717	2,718	2,725	2,727

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					
	Aug. 1995	June 1996	July 1996p/	Aug. 1996p/	Aug. 1995	Apr. 1996	May 1996	June 1996	July 1996p/	Aug. 1996p/
Retail trade.....	21,388	21,774	21,786	21,870	21,225	21,422	21,499	21,575	21,663	21,684
Building materials and garden supplies....	890.8	959.5	954.3	948.2	871	896	907	917	922	925
General merchandise stores.....	2,638.9	2,660.3	2,676.8	2,702.3	2,679	2,679	2,728	2,726	2,733	2,745
Department stores.....	2,314.9	2,349.2	2,365.2	2,390.1	2,349	2,358	2,409	2,408	2,415	2,430
Food stores.....	3,390.6	3,445.9	3,451.9	3,460.4	3,377	3,401	3,416	3,422	3,431	3,445
Automotive dealers and service stations...	2,220.8	2,294.8	2,312.1	2,319.5	2,193	2,253	2,259	2,272	2,285	2,294
New and used car dealers.....	1,000.9	1,033.0	1,038.4	1,041.7	996	1,025	1,027	1,030	1,033	1,037
Apparel and accessory stores.....	1,127.0	1,091.1	1,092.0	1,098.5	1,126	1,098	1,100	1,101	1,101	1,098
Furniture and home furnishings stores....	936.5	962.8	971.2	976.6	947	957	963	972	982	986
Eating and drinking places.....	7,569.4	7,719.3	7,688.5	7,707.1	7,378	7,469	7,454	7,485	7,524	7,496
Miscellaneous retail establishments.....	2,613.6	2,640.1	2,638.7	2,657.5	2,654	2,669	2,672	2,680	2,685	2,695
Finance, insurance, and real estate.....	6,906	7,032	7,073	7,085	6,833	6,942	6,964	6,967	6,987	7,007
Finance.....	3,252	3,337	3,354	3,364	3,235	3,303	3,315	3,319	3,329	3,344
Depository institutions.....	2,032.6	2,041.2	2,046.9	2,049.3	2,020	2,023	2,026	2,029	2,031	2,032
Commercial banks.....	1,474.9	1,479.2	1,485.2	1,487.1	1,464	1,467	1,469	1,470	1,471	1,474
Savings institutions.....	272.4	268.0	266.7	265.7	271	266	267	267	265	264
Nondepository institutions.....	466.1	511.3	514.4	519.5	466	505	507	509	513	519
Mortgage bankers and brokers.....	207.3	231.6	232.5	235.1	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)
Security and commodity brokers.....	525.6	543.1	548.3	550.7	522	534	538	541	543	548
Holding and other investment offices....	227.5	241.6	244.0	244.9	227	241	244	240	242	245
Insurance.....	2,248	2,266	2,272	2,269	2,241	2,256	2,261	2,259	2,261	2,261
Insurance carriers.....	1,547.6	1,555.4	1,560.7	1,559.7	1,543	1,549	1,552	1,551	1,553	1,554
Insurance agents, brokers, and service..	700.0	710.4	711.5	709.1	698	707	709	708	708	707
Real estate.....	1,406	1,429	1,447	1,452	1,357	1,383	1,388	1,389	1,397	1,402
Services2/.....	33,517	34,689	34,781	34,821	33,269	34,114	34,274	34,383	34,457	34,538
Agricultural services.....	633.1	686.2	685.1	676.2	580	606	605	615	618	619
Hotels and other lodging places.....	1,791	1,799	1,828	1,829	1,662	1,673	1,681	1,704	1,689	1,684
Personal services.....	1,125	1,148	1,135	1,139	1,166	1,179	1,177	1,175	1,176	1,182
Business services.....	6,909	7,199	7,246	7,354	6,831	7,085	7,152	7,189	7,228	7,275
Services to buildings.....	895	903	899	901	886	900	903	895	893	891
Personnel supply services.....	2,541	2,636	2,674	2,758	2,477	2,569	2,622	2,648	2,670	2,697
Help supply services.....	2,250	2,337	2,374	2,449	2,190	2,272	2,322	2,353	2,370	2,393
Computer and data processing services...	1,097	1,195	1,206	1,219	1,098	1,169	1,184	1,195	1,206	1,218
Auto repair, services, and parking.....	1,032	1,096	1,106	1,112	1,025	1,072	1,078	1,085	1,097	1,105
Miscellaneous repair services.....	361	369	369	369	356	363	364	366	365	365
Motion pictures.....	501	531	537	542	491	517	525	526	531	526
Amusement and recreation services.....	1,684	1,737	1,775	1,768	1,451	1,517	1,516	1,504	1,514	1,518
Health services.....	9,317	9,587	9,604	9,609	9,291	9,520	9,555	9,566	9,571	9,580
Offices and clinics of medical doctors..	1,619	1,678	1,684	1,688	1,611	1,659	1,668	1,674	1,678	1,678
Nursing and personal care facilities....	1,705	1,746	1,753	1,756	1,698	1,733	1,740	1,744	1,748	1,749
Hospitals.....	3,796	3,857	3,862	3,855	3,788	3,844	3,851	3,847	3,846	3,846
Home health care services.....	636	660	656	654	637	658	658	657	655	654
Legal services.....	929	944	946	940	922	926	929	929	932	934
Educational services.....	1,694	1,822	1,754	1,716	1,976	1,994	1,987	2,001	2,016	2,000
Social services.....	2,305	2,390	2,381	2,371	2,336	2,385	2,395	2,396	2,403	2,410
Child day care services.....	517	555	515	517	568	569	571	570	568	571
Residential care.....	648	671	675	676	643	661	663	665	669	670
Museums and botanical and zoological gardens.....	87	92	93	91	81	84	85	85	85	85
Membership organizations.....	2,175	2,182	2,211	2,183	2,141	2,137	2,147	2,148	2,146	2,148
Engineering and management services.....	2,781	2,914	2,917	2,928	2,769	2,863	2,885	2,901	2,893	2,914
Engineering and architectural services..	829	857	858	862	816	834	838	848	844	847
Management and public relations.....	839	909	913	921	833	892	897	901	903	914
Services, nec.....	44.7	46.1	46.2	46.9	(3)	(3)	(3)	(3)	(3)	(3)
Government.....	18,124	19,512	18,396	18,254	19,369	19,397	19,458	19,451	19,490	19,567
Federal.....	2,839	2,783	2,777	2,767	2,822	2,777	2,776	2,756	2,753	2,748
Federal, except Postal Service.....	1,998.2	1,931.1	1,926.9	1,916.9	1,977	1,920	1,918	1,906	1,898	1,894
State.....	4,380	4,509	4,412	4,401	4,638	4,645	4,655	4,654	4,665	4,672
Education.....	1,639.3	1,786.9	1,677.5	1,681.7	1,935	1,956	1,963	1,968	1,984	1,981
Other State government.....	2,741.0	2,721.9	2,734.4	2,719.1	2,703	2,689	2,692	2,686	2,681	2,691
Local.....	10,905	12,220	11,207	11,086	11,909	11,975	12,027	12,041	12,072	12,147
Education.....	5,443.7	6,752.4	5,614.6	5,564.6	6,664	6,682	6,690	6,724	6,777	6,825
Other local government.....	5,461.0	5,467.2	5,591.9	5,521.4	5,245	5,293	5,337	5,317	5,295	5,322

1/ This series is not suitable for seasonal adjustment because it has very little seasonal and irregular movement. Thus, the not seasonally adjusted series can be used for analysis of cyclical and long-term trends.

2/ Includes other industries, not shown separately.

3/ This series is 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.

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					
	Aug. 1995	June 1996	July 1996p/ 1996p/	Aug. 1996p/ 1996p/	Aug. 1995	Apr. 1996	May 1996	June 1996	July 1996p/ 1996p/	Aug. 1996p/ 1996p/
Total private.....	34.8	34.9	34.6	34.8	34.4	34.3	34.2	34.7	34.3	34.4
Goods_producing.....	41.2	41.4	40.9	41.3	40.9	41.0	40.9	41.2	41.0	41.0
Mining.....	44.7	46.0	44.7	45.0	44.4	45.0	45.2	45.8	44.8	44.5
Construction.....	39.8	39.6	39.8	39.8	38.7	38.9	38.1	38.7	38.7	38.7
Manufacturing.....	41.5	41.9	41.1	41.8	41.5	41.5	41.7	41.8	41.6	41.7
Overtime hours.....	4.5	4.5	4.3	4.7	4.3	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.4	4.4
Durable goods.....	42.3	42.7	41.7	42.5	42.3	42.4	42.5	42.6	42.3	42.5
Overtime hours.....	4.7	4.9	4.4	4.9	4.6	4.9	5.1	5.0	4.7	4.7
Lumber and wood products.....	41.1	41.6	40.8	41.4	40.6	40.7	41.0	41.2	41.2	40.9
Furniture and fixtures.....	40.1	39.5	39.2	40.0	39.7	39.2	39.7	39.5	39.7	39.5
Stone, clay, and glass products.....	43.7	44.1	43.5	44.2	43.1	43.4	43.2	43.5	43.2	43.4
Primary metal industries.....	43.4	44.3	43.5	43.9	43.7	43.9	44.3	44.1	43.9	44.3
Blast furnaces and basic steel products	43.8	44.5	44.3	43.7	43.9	44.1	44.4	44.5	44.2	43.9
Fabricated metal products.....	42.2	42.7	41.6	42.6	42.2	42.3	42.6	42.6	42.4	42.5
Industrial machinery and equipment.....	43.0	43.3	42.4	42.6	43.5	43.1	43.2	43.3	42.9	42.9
Electronic and other electrical equipment	41.4	41.6	40.5	41.4	41.6	41.0	41.3	41.6	41.2	41.5
Transportation equipment.....	43.5	44.5	42.7	44.2	43.6	44.6	44.5	44.4	44.0	44.6
Motor vehicles and equipment.....	44.3	45.7	43.3	45.2	44.5	46.1	46.5	45.7	45.4	46.1
Instruments and related products.....	41.2	42.0	41.0	41.6	41.5	41.4	41.6	41.9	41.4	41.8
Miscellaneous manufacturing.....	39.9	39.7	38.9	40.0	39.9	39.6	39.9	39.8	39.7	39.9
Nondurable goods.....	40.6	40.8	40.3	40.9	40.4	40.4	40.6	40.7	40.5	40.5
Overtime hours.....	4.2	4.1	4.1	4.4	4.0	4.2	4.0	4.2	4.1	4.0
Food and kindred products.....	41.7	40.9	40.9	41.6	41.2	41.0	41.1	41.1	40.7	40.7
Tobacco products.....	40.4	41.1	38.7	39.9	40.0	40.4	39.4	39.4	39.3	39.6
Textile mill products.....	41.0	41.4	40.2	41.2	40.7	40.3	40.6	41.0	40.8	40.8
Apparel and other textile products.....	37.0	37.9	36.8	37.5	36.8	36.5	37.2	37.6	37.1	37.3
Paper and allied products.....	42.7	43.4	43.1	43.1	42.9	43.4	43.4	43.5	43.3	43.0
Printing and publishing.....	38.2	37.9	37.9	38.4	38.1	38.1	38.3	38.1	38.2	38.2
Chemicals and allied products.....	42.8	43.4	43.0	43.1	43.1	42.9	43.2	43.4	43.3	43.5
Petroleum and coal products.....	43.2	44.7	44.5	44.3	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Rubber and misc. plastics products.....	41.1	41.7	40.8	41.6	41.3	41.5	41.4	41.5	41.6	41.5
Leather and leather products.....	38.6	39.1	37.9	38.7	38.2	37.6	38.3	38.5	38.5	38.6
Service_producing.....	33.0	33.2	32.9	33.0	32.6	32.5	32.5	33.0	32.5	32.7
Transportation and public utilities.....	39.8	40.1	39.6	39.9	39.4	39.4	39.2	40.0	39.2	39.5
Wholesale trade.....	38.3	38.8	38.1	38.3	38.2	38.1	38.1	38.7	38.0	38.2
Retail trade.....	29.5	29.4	29.5	29.5	28.7	28.6	28.8	29.0	28.7	28.8
Finance, insurance, and real estate.....	35.7	36.5	35.6	35.7	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Services.....	32.7	32.8	32.5	32.7	(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 because 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			
	Aug. 1995	June 1996	July 1996p/	Aug. 1996p/	Aug. 1995	June 1996	July 1996p/	Aug. 1996p/
Total private.....	\$11.37	\$11.76	\$11.74	\$11.77	\$395.68	\$410.42	\$406.20	\$409.60
Seasonally adjusted.....	11.46	11.83	11.81	11.87	394.22	410.50	405.08	408.33
Goods_producing.....	13.10	13.44	13.55	13.58	539.72	556.42	554.20	560.85
Mining.....	15.29	15.57	15.54	15.47	683.46	716.22	694.64	696.15
Construction.....	15.20	15.32	15.49	15.54	604.96	606.67	616.50	618.49
Manufacturing.....	12.35	12.75	12.80	12.84	512.53	534.23	526.08	536.71
Durable goods.....	12.92	13.32	13.36	13.46	546.52	568.76	557.11	572.05
Lumber and wood products.....	10.20	10.45	10.47	10.51	419.22	434.72	427.18	435.11
Furniture and fixtures.....	9.89	10.11	10.12	10.15	396.59	399.35	396.70	406.00
Stone, clay, and glass products.....	12.47	12.81	12.93	12.93	544.94	564.92	562.46	571.51
Primary metal industries.....	14.63	14.92	15.12	15.14	634.94	660.96	657.72	664.65
Blast furnaces and basic steel products	17.43	17.69	18.02	18.11	763.43	787.21	798.29	791.41
Fabricated metal products.....	12.10	12.49	12.48	12.60	510.62	533.32	519.17	536.76
Industrial machinery and equipment.....	13.24	13.52	13.57	13.65	569.32	585.42	575.37	581.49
Electronic and other electrical equipment	11.73	12.16	12.24	12.25	485.62	505.86	495.72	507.15
Transportation equipment.....	16.67	17.26	17.33	17.61	725.15	768.07	739.99	778.36
Motor vehicles and equipment.....	17.20	17.91	18.00	18.37	761.96	818.49	779.40	830.32
Instruments and related products.....	12.70	13.09	13.20	13.22	523.24	549.78	541.20	549.95
Miscellaneous manufacturing.....	9.99	10.35	10.40	10.45	398.60	410.90	404.56	418.00
Nondurable goods.....	11.56	11.93	12.02	11.97	469.34	486.74	484.41	489.57
Food and kindred products.....	10.90	11.24	11.27	11.17	454.53	459.72	460.94	464.67
Tobacco products.....	18.56	21.52	21.13	19.66	749.82	884.47	817.73	784.43
Textile mill products.....	9.44	9.67	9.67	9.69	387.04	400.34	388.73	399.23
Apparel and other textile products.....	7.68	7.98	7.95	7.99	284.16	302.44	292.56	299.63
Paper and allied products.....	14.20	14.64	14.81	14.76	606.34	635.38	638.31	636.16
Printing and publishing.....	12.36	12.53	12.64	12.70	472.15	474.89	479.06	487.68
Chemicals and allied products.....	15.57	16.15	16.18	16.24	666.40	700.91	695.74	699.94
Petroleum and coal products.....	19.14	18.86	19.01	18.85	826.85	843.04	845.95	835.06
Rubber and misc. plastics products.....	10.93	11.16	11.25	11.26	449.22	465.37	459.00	468.42
Leather and leather products.....	8.14	8.48	8.42	8.62	314.20	331.57	319.12	333.59
Service_producing.....	10.78	11.20	11.14	11.16	355.74	371.84	366.51	368.28
Transportation and public utilities.....	14.24	14.47	14.55	14.56	566.75	580.25	576.18	580.94
Wholesale trade.....	12.40	12.85	12.80	12.81	474.92	498.58	487.68	490.62
Retail trade.....	7.65	7.97	7.94	7.96	225.68	234.32	234.23	234.82
Finance, insurance, and real estate.....	12.28	12.76	12.69	12.70	438.40	465.74	451.76	453.39
Services.....	11.22	11.67	11.61	11.63	366.89	382.78	377.33	380.30

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	Aug. 1995	Apr. 1996	May 1996	June 1996	July 1996p/	Aug. 1996p/	Percent change from: July 1996- Aug. 1996
Total private:							
Current dollars.....	\$11.46	\$11.72	\$11.73	\$11.83	\$11.81	\$11.87	0.5
Constant (1982) dollars2/.....	7.39	7.40	7.38	7.44	7.41	N.A.	(3)
Goods_producing.....	13.10	13.40	13.38	13.45	13.49	13.59	.7
Mining.....	15.43	15.44	15.46	15.59	15.59	15.60	.1
Construction.....	15.14	15.28	15.31	15.40	15.47	15.48	.1
Manufacturing.....	12.42	12.74	12.72	12.77	12.80	12.93	1.0
Excluding overtime4/.....	11.79	12.09	12.06	12.12	12.16	12.28	1.0
Service_producing.....	10.91	11.15	11.18	11.29	11.25	11.30	.4
Transportation and public utilities	14.27	14.49	14.50	14.56	14.56	14.62	.4
Wholesale trade.....	12.46	12.71	12.71	12.91	12.81	12.87	.5
Retail trade.....	7.72	7.90	7.93	8.00	7.98	8.02	.5
Finance, insurance, and real estate	12.37	12.64	12.76	12.86	12.77	12.83	.5
Services.....	11.40	11.65	11.69	11.79	11.77	11.81	.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 -.4 percent from June 1996 to July 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					
	Aug. 1995	June 1996	July 1996p/	Aug. 1996p/	Aug. 1995	Apr. 1996	May 1996	June 1996	July 1996p/	Aug. 1996p/
Total private.....	136.5	139.9	138.6	140.0	133.4	135.2	135.4	137.7	136.1	136.9
Goods_producing.....	113.0	113.3	111.4	114.1	109.7	109.9	110.0	110.7	110.1	110.5
Mining.....	55.1	56.6	55.1	55.5	53.4	54.6	55.2	55.9	54.1	53.7
Construction.....	155.8	158.1	163.0	163.8	140.3	146.7	144.3	147.0	147.6	147.8
Manufacturing.....	107.6	107.3	103.9	107.2	106.9	105.7	106.2	106.5	105.8	106.2
Durable goods.....	107.5	109.9	105.5	108.6	107.8	107.7	108.4	108.9	108.1	108.9
Lumber and wood products.....	138.4	140.4	137.4	140.8	134.2	134.5	135.9	137.2	137.0	136.2
Furniture and fixtures.....	125.8	123.3	119.4	124.9	125.1	121.1	124.2	122.6	123.9	123.2
Stone, clay, and glass products.....	112.7	114.2	111.5	114.3	108.4	109.1	108.6	109.7	108.6	109.4
Primary metal industries.....	90.1	93.0	88.9	91.0	91.3	91.0	92.0	92.3	90.7	92.0
Blast furnaces and basic steel products..	72.3	73.8	72.9	71.8	72.5	72.4	73.3	73.5	72.2	71.7
Fabricated metal products.....	113.0	116.3	111.4	115.6	113.1	113.5	114.5	115.3	115.1	115.8
Industrial machinery and equipment.....	101.6	104.4	101.1	101.4	103.7	103.4	103.7	103.9	102.9	103.2
Electronic and other electrical equipment..	106.7	108.7	105.0	107.1	107.6	107.0	107.8	108.3	107.9	108.0
Transportation equipment.....	120.1	124.6	116.0	122.8	121.4	122.9	122.5	123.8	122.1	125.5
Motor vehicles and equipment.....	161.8	170.3	153.3	164.8	163.4	168.0	171.7	169.6	165.2	171.3
Instruments and related products.....	73.0	74.4	71.5	73.3	73.5	72.9	73.6	74.0	72.6	73.5
Miscellaneous manufacturing.....	103.2	102.5	97.2	102.2	102.9	101.4	102.1	102.3	101.3	101.0
Nondurable goods.....	107.8	103.8	101.8	105.3	105.6	102.9	103.3	103.3	102.6	102.5
Food and kindred products.....	123.2	111.8	114.4	120.9	114.3	113.7	114.2	112.6	111.1	111.2
Tobacco products.....	67.9	57.8	52.6	60.9	63.4	64.0	60.5	62.5	60.3	56.9
Textile mill products.....	95.5	93.2	88.8	92.5	94.5	90.1	90.9	91.6	91.2	91.0
Apparel and other textile products.....	83.1	78.2	72.9	75.8	82.4	75.5	76.4	76.7	75.9	74.9
Paper and allied products.....	110.2	109.3	107.7	108.8	109.6	108.5	108.5	108.4	107.5	107.3
Printing and publishing.....	124.6	121.9	121.4	123.4	124.4	122.7	123.2	122.7	122.8	122.8
Chemicals and allied products.....	101.9	101.2	99.6	100.3	102.0	100.1	100.4	100.6	100.0	100.4
Petroleum and coal products.....	78.5	78.9	78.6	78.9	77.1	72.8	72.9	76.7	76.3	77.3
Rubber and misc. plastics products.....	140.8	142.9	136.8	142.3	141.4	139.8	140.1	141.0	141.3	142.1
Leather and leather products.....	49.2	45.2	40.4	44.4	48.1	43.9	44.1	44.4	43.2	43.3
Service_producing.....	147.0	151.9	150.9	151.6	144.1	146.6	146.8	149.8	147.7	148.8
Transportation and public utilities.....	125.9	131.3	128.9	129.9	124.8	127.6	127.2	130.1	127.6	128.8
Wholesale trade.....	123.3	127.3	125.4	125.8	122.1	123.7	124.0	126.1	123.9	124.5
Retail trade.....	136.5	138.7	139.1	139.6	131.9	132.7	134.0	135.4	134.6	135.1
Finance, insurance, and real estate.....	124.5	129.9	127.4	127.9	123.2	124.6	124.3	128.9	125.4	126.4
Services.....	174.1	180.8	179.8	180.9	170.8	175.1	174.7	178.7	176.3	178.0

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.....	43.7	43.7	50.0	57.3	55.5	50.1	52.2	49.0	52.1	56.3	53.2	57.4
1993.....	60.0	60.8	51.3	58.6	61.7	55.2	57.7	57.0	61.8	59.7	61.8	59.6
1994.....	58.8	62.1	66.0	64.2	60.3	63.5	61.5	62.1	60.8	61.5	63.1	63.9
1995.....	63.2	59.3	54.9	54.6	51.4	55.1	54.1	57.4	51.8	54.8	56.3	59.4
1996.....	52.4	63.2	60.0	52.4	62.2	57.4	p/55.2	p/58.3				
Over 3-month span:												
1992.....	39.7	41.9	49.7	57.0	58.4	55.8	50.6	50.1	52.8	54.4	57.6	61.2
1993.....	63.8	61.2	61.1	59.8	63.1	62.9	59.7	63.1	64.5	67.1	64.6	63.5
1994.....	67.1	69.5	70.4	68.7	66.4	66.0	68.5	69.5	65.3	65.6	68.0	67.8
1995.....	66.6	63.2	56.9	53.4	54.2	52.9	56.6	53.8	54.2	54.6	58.3	57.0
1996.....	60.7	61.8	61.2	60.0	61.0	p/63.2	p/60.4					
Over 6-month span:												
1992.....	43.3	46.8	47.5	52.5	54.9	56.7	53.8	52.2	55.5	57.6	63.9	61.9
1993.....	63.3	65.2	63.8	64.2	62.4	65.9	65.7	63.9	66.3	67.3	70.6	69.5
1994.....	70.8	71.6	69.0	69.8	69.5	69.5	69.2	69.0	69.2	68.5	69.1	66.6
1995.....	66.3	60.8	58.7	54.4	53.5	54.1	53.1	56.3	55.9	54.1	56.2	61.8
1996.....	60.3	62.9	63.8	p/63.8	p/63.5							
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	69.5	69.2	70.1
1994.....	70.2	71.6	71.8	71.8	72.1	71.8	71.5	72.1	70.1	69.4	65.7	65.0
1995.....	62.6	60.8	60.1	61.2	58.1	57.7	54.5	58.7	58.6	57.3	59.4	59.8
1996.....	p/60.3	p/62.6										
	Manufacturing payrolls, 139 industries1/											
Over 1-month span:												
1992.....	37.4	39.9	43.9	56.8	50.0	48.9	52.2	44.6	47.5	47.8	51.4	54.7
1993.....	52.5	56.5	50.7	45.7	54.0	45.7	49.3	49.3	59.4	53.2	53.6	55.0
1994.....	56.5	60.1	59.7	58.6	53.2	57.9	57.6	53.6	55.8	54.7	57.2	59.4
1995.....	56.8	55.0	46.0	45.3	39.2	40.3	45.0	45.0	42.4	45.3	46.4	47.5
1996.....	42.1	48.2	48.2	39.6	53.2	49.6	p/44.6	p/51.1				
Over 3-month span:												
1992.....	29.9	33.5	43.9	49.6	55.4	53.2	46.8	47.8	45.7	47.5	51.1	54.7
1993.....	60.8	58.3	53.2	47.8	48.9	54.0	50.4	58.3	57.6	59.7	54.7	57.6
1994.....	63.7	64.4	66.2	60.8	56.1	56.8	60.8	58.6	54.0	56.1	60.1	60.8
1995.....	60.4	51.8	43.5	34.9	33.1	32.0	33.1	35.6	38.8	39.6	40.6	38.8
1996.....	38.8	39.9	37.8	43.2	45.3	p/48.2	p/45.0					
Over 6-month span:												
1992.....	32.4	34.9	39.9	46.8	52.2	54.3	48.2	47.8	51.1	51.1	56.8	56.5
1993.....	56.5	59.0	56.8	55.4	50.7	57.9	59.4	56.5	57.6	58.6	64.4	60.8
1994.....	62.2	64.4	60.4	61.5	59.0	56.8	56.5	57.2	60.1	55.8	59.7	55.8
1995.....	55.4	45.0	38.5	33.5	27.7	28.8	28.8	30.6	33.5	33.1	34.2	38.8
1996.....	32.0	37.4	37.1	p/38.5	p/43.9							
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	59.7	60.1	57.6
1994.....	57.9	58.6	60.8	60.8	60.8	63.3	59.4	60.1	57.2	55.8	49.6	47.5
1995.....	42.1	40.3	39.9	40.6	34.5	31.7	25.9	28.8	28.1	24.1	27.0	29.1
1996.....	p/32.4	p/34.9										

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.