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REGIONAL AND STATE EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT — MARCH 2012

Regional and state unemployment rates were little changed in March. Thirty states recorded unemployment rate decreases, 8 states posted rate increases, and 12 states and the District of Columbia had no change, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reported today. Forty-nine states and the District of Columbia registered unemployment rate decreases from a year earlier, while New York experienced an increase. The national jobless rate was little changed from February at 8.2 percent but was 0.7 percentage point lower than in March 2011.

In March 2012, nonfarm payroll employment increased in 29 states and the District of Columbia, decreased in 20 states, and was unchanged in Alabama. The largest over-the-month increase in employment occurred in New York (+19,100), followed by California (+18,200) and Arizona (+13,500). The largest over-the-month decrease in employment occurred in Ohio (-9,500), followed by New Jersey (-8,600) and Wisconsin (-4,500). Arizona experienced the largest over-the-month percentage increase in employment (+0.6 percent), followed by the District of Columbia and Nebraska (+0.5 percent each). Maine experienced the largest over-the-month percentage decline in employment (-0.5 percent), followed by Wyoming (-0.3 percent). Over the year, nonfarm employment increased in 45 states and the District of Columbia, decreased in 4 states, and was unchanged in Alabama. The largest over-the-year percentage increase occurred in North Dakota (+6.5 percent). The largest over-the-year percentage decrease in employment occurred in Wisconsin (-0.9 percent).

Regional Unemployment (Seasonally Adjusted)

The West continued to record the highest regional unemployment rate in March, 9.6 percent, while the Midwest again reported the lowest rate, 7.4 percent. Over the month, only the South experienced a statistically significant unemployment rate change (-0.2 percentage point). Over the year, the South registered the largest of three measurable rate changes (-1.1 percentage points), followed by the Midwest (-1.0 point) and West (-0.9 point). (See table 1.)

Among the nine geographic divisions, the Pacific continued to report the highest jobless rate, 10.2 percent in March. The West North Central again registered the lowest rate, 5.9 percent. Two divisions experienced statistically significant unemployment rate changes over the month: the East North Central and South Atlantic (-0.2 percentage point each). Eight divisions had measurable unemployment rate

changes from a year earlier, all of which were decreases. The largest of these occurred in the East South Central (-1.5 percentage points).

State Unemployment (Seasonally Adjusted)

Nevada continued to record the highest unemployment rate among the states, 12.0 percent in March. Rhode Island and California posted the next highest rates, 11.1 and 11.0 percent, respectively. North Dakota again registered the lowest jobless rate, 3.0 percent, followed by Nebraska, 4.0 percent. In total, 23 states reported jobless rates significantly lower than the U.S. figure of 8.2 percent, 7 states and the District of Columbia had measurably higher rates, and 20 states had rates that were not appreciably different from that of the nation. (See tables A and 3 and chart 1.)

Mississippi and Oklahoma experienced the largest over-the-month unemployment rate declines in March (-0.6 percentage point each). Five other states also had statistically significant rate decreases: Florida and Massachusetts (-0.4 percentage point each), Nevada (-0.3 point), North Carolina (-0.2 point), and Vermont (-0.1 point). The remaining 43 states and the District of Columbia recorded jobless rates that were not measurably different from those of a month earlier, though some had changes that were at least as large numerically as the significant changes.

Alabama and Michigan registered the largest jobless rate decreases from March 2011 (-2.0 percentage points each). Sixteen additional states reported smaller but also statistically significant declines over the year. The remaining 32 states and the District of Columbia recorded unemployment rates that were not appreciably different from those of a year earlier. (See table B.)

Nonfarm Payroll Employment (Seasonally Adjusted)

In March 2012, four states and the district recorded statistically significant over-the-month changes in employment, all of which were increases. The largest statistically significant job gains occurred in New York (+19,100), Arizona (+13,500), and Massachusetts (+8,700). (See tables C and 5.)

Over the year, 27 states and the district experienced statistically significant increases in employment. The largest increase occurred in Texas (+245,700), followed by California (+181,000) and New York (+155,300). Wisconsin was the only state to show a statistically significant decrease (-23,900). (See table D and chart 2.)

The Metropolitan Area Employment and Unemployment news release for March is scheduled to be released on Wednesday, May 2, 2012, at 10:00 a.m. (EDT). The Regional and State Employment and Unemployment news release for April is scheduled to be released on Friday, May 18, 2012, at 10:00 a.m. (EDT).

Table A. States with unemployment rates significantly different from that of the U.S., March 2012, seasonally adjusted

State	Rate ^p
United States ¹	8.2
Alaska	7.0
California	11.0
Delaware	6.9
District of Columbia	9.8
Florida	9.0
Georgia	9.0
Hawaii	6.4
Iowa	5.2
Kansas	6.2
Maine	7.2
Maryland	6.6
Massachusetts	6.5
Minnesota	5.8
Montana	6.2
Nebraska	4.0
Nevada	12.0
New Hampshire	5.2
New Jersey	9.0
North Carolina	9.7
North Dakota	3.0
Oklahoma	5.4
Pennsylvania	7.5
Rhode Island	11.1
South Dakota	4.3
Texas	7.0
Utah	5.8
Vermont	4.8
Virginia	5.6
West Virginia	6.9
Wisconsin	6.8
Wyoming	5.3

¹ Data are not preliminary.

^p = preliminary.

Table B. States with statistically significant unemployment rate changes from March 2011 to March 2012, seasonally adjusted

State	Rate		Over-the-year change ^p
	March 2011	March 2012 ^p	
Alabama	9.3	7.3	-2.0
California	11.9	11.0	-.9
Connecticut	9.1	7.7	-1.4
Florida	10.7	9.0	-1.7
Georgia	9.8	9.0	-.8
Michigan	10.5	8.5	-2.0
Minnesota	6.6	5.8	-.8
Missouri	8.7	7.4	-1.3
Nevada	13.6	12.0	-1.6
Ohio	8.8	7.5	-1.3
South Carolina	10.4	8.9	-1.5
South Dakota	4.9	4.3	-.6
Tennessee	9.4	7.9	-1.5
Texas	8.0	7.0	-1.0
Utah	7.1	5.8	-1.3
Vermont	5.8	4.8	-1.0
Washington	9.4	8.3	-1.1
Wisconsin	7.6	6.8	-.8

^p = preliminary.

Table C. States with statistically significant employment changes from February 2012 to March 2012, seasonally adjusted

State	February 2012	March 2012 ^p	Over-the-month change ^p
Arizona	2,435,300	2,448,800	13,500
District of Columbia	734,600	738,600	4,000
Massachusetts	3,232,900	3,241,600	8,700
Nebraska	942,500	947,100	4,600
New York	8,785,600	8,804,700	19,100

^p = preliminary.

Table D. States with statistically significant employment changes from March 2011 to March 2012, seasonally adjusted

State	March 2011	March 2012 ^p	Over-the-year change ^p
Arizona	2,399,000	2,448,800	49,800
California	14,056,300	14,237,300	181,000
Colorado	2,244,700	2,290,500	45,800
District of Columbia	725,500	738,600	13,100
Florida	7,238,900	7,328,700	89,800
Georgia	3,877,000	3,908,800	31,800
Idaho	606,700	615,700	9,000
Indiana	2,830,800	2,867,000	36,200
Kansas	1,331,000	1,352,500	21,500
Kentucky	1,787,700	1,821,900	34,200
Louisiana	1,908,100	1,952,100	44,000
Maryland	2,538,600	2,588,200	49,600
Massachusetts	3,211,300	3,241,600	30,300
Michigan	3,925,500	3,982,000	56,500
Minnesota	2,673,200	2,704,700	31,500
New Jersey	3,843,500	3,881,800	38,300
New York	8,649,400	8,804,700	155,300
North Carolina	3,920,100	3,958,900	38,800
North Dakota	387,900	413,300	25,400
Ohio	5,077,400	5,137,000	59,600
Oklahoma	1,542,500	1,580,100	37,600
Pennsylvania	5,682,700	5,728,400	45,700
Tennessee	2,647,300	2,691,300	44,000
Texas	10,496,000	10,741,700	245,700
Utah	1,197,200	1,226,200	29,000
Virginia	3,674,900	3,712,900	38,000
Washington	2,806,100	2,850,100	44,000
West Virginia	751,500	761,300	9,800
Wisconsin	2,754,500	2,730,600	-23,900

^p = preliminary.

Technical Note

This release presents labor force and unemployment data for census regions and divisions, states, and selected substate areas from the Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS) program (tables 1 to 4). Also presented are nonfarm payroll employment estimates by state and major industry sector from the Current Employment Statistics (CES) program (tables 5 and 6). The LAUS and CES programs are both federal-state cooperative endeavors.

Labor force and unemployment—from the LAUS program

Definitions. The labor force and unemployment data are based on the same concepts and definitions as those used for the official national estimates obtained from the Current Population Survey (CPS), a sample survey of households that is conducted for the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) by the U.S. Census Bureau. The LAUS program measures employment and unemployment on a place-of-residence basis. The universe for each is the civilian noninstitutional population 16 years of age and over. *Employed* persons are those who did any work at all for pay or profit in the reference week (the week including the 12th of the month) or worked 15 hours or more without pay in a family business or farm, plus those not working who had a job from which they were temporarily absent, whether or not paid, for such reasons as labor-management dispute, illness, or vacation. *Unemployed* persons are those who were not employed during the reference week (based on the definition above), had actively looked for a job sometime in the 4-week period ending with the reference week, and were currently available for work; persons on layoff expecting recall need not be looking for work to be counted as unemployed. The *labor force* is the sum of employed and unemployed persons. The *unemployment rate* is the number of unemployed as a percent of the labor force.

Method of estimation. Estimates for 48 of the 50 states, the District of Columbia, the Los Angeles-Long Beach-Glendale metropolitan division, New York City, and the balances of California and New York State are produced using estimating equations based on regression techniques. This method, which underwent substantial enhancement at the beginning of 2005, utilizes data from several sources, including the CPS, the CES, and state unemployment insurance (UI) programs. Estimates for the state of California are derived by summing the estimates for the Los Angeles-Long Beach-Glendale metropolitan division and the balance of California. Similarly, estimates for New York State are derived by summing the estimates for New York City and the balance of New York State. Estimates for all nine census divisions and the five additional substate areas contained in this release (the Cleveland-Elyria-Mentor and Detroit-Warren-Livonia metropolitan areas and the Chicago-Joliet-Naperville, Miami-Miami Beach-Kendall, and Seattle-Bellevue-Everett metropolitan divisions) and their respective

balances of state are based on a similar regression approach that does not incorporate CES or UI data. Estimates for census regions are obtained by summing the model-based estimates for the component divisions and then calculating the unemployment rate. Each month, census division estimates are controlled to national totals; state estimates are then controlled to their respective division totals. Substate and balance-of-state estimates for the five areas noted above are controlled to their respective state totals. Estimates for Puerto Rico are derived from a monthly household survey similar to the CPS. A detailed description of the estimation procedures is available from BLS upon request.

Annual revisions. Labor force and unemployment data for prior years reflect adjustments made at the end of each year. The adjusted estimates reflect updated population data from the U.S. Census Bureau, any revisions in the other data sources, and model reestimation. In most years, historical data for the most recent five years (both seasonally adjusted and not seasonally adjusted) are revised near the beginning of each calendar year, prior to the release of January estimates.

Seasonal adjustment. The LAUS program introduced smoothed seasonally adjusted (SSA) estimates in January 2010. These are seasonally adjusted data that have incorporated a long-run trend smoothing procedure, resulting in estimates that are less volatile than those previously produced. The estimates are smoothed using a Henderson Trend Filter (H13). The H13 uses a filtering procedure, based on moving averages, to remove the irregular fluctuations from the seasonally adjusted series, leaving the trend. The same process is used on both historical and current year estimates. For more information about the smoothing technique, see the BLS Web site at www.bls.gov/lau/lassaqa.htm.

Area definitions. The substate area data published in this release reflect the standards and definitions established by the U.S. Office of Management and Budget on December 1, 2009. A detailed list of the geographic definitions is available on the Internet at www.bls.gov/lau/lausmsa.htm.

Employment—from the CES program

Definitions. Employment data refer to persons on establishment payrolls who receive pay for any part of the pay period that includes the 12th of the month. Persons are counted at their place of work rather than at their place of residence; those appearing on more than one payroll are counted on each payroll. Industries are classified on the basis of their principal activity in accordance with the 2007 version of the North American Industry Classification System.

Method of estimation. The employment data are estimated using a “link relative” technique in which a ratio (link relative) of current-month employment to that of the previous month is computed from a sample of establishments

reporting for both months. The estimates of employment for the current month are obtained by multiplying the estimates for the previous month by these ratios. Small-domain models are used as the official estimators for the approximately 39 percent of CES published series which have insufficient sample for direct sample-based estimates.

Annual revisions. Employment estimates are adjusted annually to a complete count of jobs, called benchmarks, derived principally from tax reports that are submitted by employers who are covered under state unemployment insurance (UI) laws. The benchmark information is used to adjust the monthly estimates between the new benchmark and the preceding one and also to establish the level of employment for the new benchmark month. Thus, the benchmarking process establishes the level of employment, and the sample is used to measure the month-to-month changes in the level for the subsequent months.

Seasonal adjustment. Payroll employment data are seasonally adjusted at the statewide supersector level. In some states, the seasonally adjusted payroll employment total is computed by aggregating the independently adjusted supersector series. In other states, the seasonally adjusted payroll employment total is independently adjusted. Revisions of historical data for the most recent 5 years are made once a year, coincident with annual benchmark adjustments.

Caution on aggregating state data. State estimation procedures are designed to produce accurate data for each individual state. BLS independently develops a national employment series; state estimates are not forced to sum to national totals. Because each state series is subject to larger sampling and nonsampling errors than the national series, summing them cumulates individual state level errors and can cause significant distortions at an aggregate level. Due to these statistical limitations, BLS does not compile a "sum-of-states" employment series, and cautions users that such a series is subject to a relatively large and volatile error structure.

Reliability of the estimates

The estimates presented in this release are based on sample surveys, administrative data, and modeling and, thus, are subject to sampling and other types of errors. Sampling error is a measure of sampling variability—that is, variation that occurs by chance because a sample rather than the entire population is surveyed. Survey data also are subject to nonsampling errors, such as those which can be introduced into the data collection and processing operations. Estimates not directly derived from sample surveys are subject to additional errors resulting from the specific estimation processes used. The sums of individual items may not always equal the totals shown in the same tables because of rounding. Unemployment rates are computed from unrounded data and thus may differ slightly from rates computed using the rounded data displayed in the tables.

Use of error measures. In 2005, the LAUS program introduced several improvements to its methodology. Among these were the development of model-based error measures for the monthly estimates and the estimates of over-the-month changes. The introductory section of this release preserves the long-time practice of highlighting the direction of the movements in regional and state unemployment rates and state nonfarm payroll employment regardless of their statistical significance. The remainder of the analysis in the release takes statistical significance into consideration.

Labor force and unemployment estimates. Model-based error measures for seasonally adjusted and not seasonally adjusted data and for over-the-month and over-the-year changes are available online at www.bls.gov/lau/lastderr.htm. BLS uses a 90-percent confidence level in determining whether changes in LAUS unemployment rates are statistically significant. The average magnitude of the current year over-the-month change in a state unemployment rate that is required for statistical significance at the 90-percent confidence level is just over 0.2 percentage point; the average amount of the current over-the-year change in a state rate for significance is about 0.9 point. More details can be found on the Web site. Measures of nonsampling error are not available, but additional information on the subject is provided in *Employment and Earnings Online* at www.bls.gov/opub/ee/home.htm.

Employment estimates. Measures of sampling error for state CES data at the total nonfarm and supersector level and for metropolitan area CES data at the total nonfarm level are available online at www.bls.gov/sae/790stderr.htm. BLS uses a 90-percent confidence level in determining whether changes in CES employment levels are statistically significant. Information on recent benchmark revisions for states is available on the Internet at www.bls.gov/sae/.

Additional information

More complete information on the technical procedures used to develop these estimates and additional data appear in *Employment and Earnings Online*.

Estimates of labor force and unemployment from the LAUS program, as well as nonfarm employment from the CES program, for 380 metropolitan areas and metropolitan New England City and Town Areas (NECTAs) are available in the news release, *Metropolitan Area Employment and Unemployment*. Estimates of labor force, employment, and unemployment for approximately 7,300 subnational areas are available on the Internet at www.bls.gov/lau/. Employment data from the CES program for states and metropolitan areas are available on the Internet at www.bls.gov/sae/.

Information in this release will be made available to sensory impaired individuals upon request. Voice phone: (202) 691-5200; Federal Relay Service: (800) 877-8339.

Table 1. Civilian labor force and unemployment by census region and division, seasonally adjusted ¹

(Numbers in thousands)

Census region and division	Civilian labor force				Unemployed							
					Number				Percent of labor force			
	March 2011	Jan. 2012	Feb. 2012	March 2012	March 2011	Jan. 2012	Feb. 2012	March 2012	March 2011	Jan. 2012	Feb. 2012	March 2012
Northeast	28,218.6	28,215.5	28,232.2	28,253.5	2,303.7	2,241.3	2,254.3	2,246.1	8.2	7.9	8.0	7.9
New England	7,753.5	7,746.7	7,749.3	7,742.0	614.4	554.3	552.6	543.2	7.9	7.2	7.1	7.0
Middle Atlantic	20,465.1	20,468.8	20,482.9	20,511.5	1,689.3	1,687.0	1,701.7	1,702.8	8.3	8.2	8.3	8.3
South	56,067.6	56,341.3	56,349.8	56,347.6	4,977.1	4,592.6	4,500.1	4,403.1	8.9	8.2	8.0	7.8
South Atlantic	29,691.3	29,891.8	29,916.8	29,910.2	2,770.1	2,583.7	2,532.1	2,474.1	9.3	8.6	8.5	8.3
East South Central	8,748.6	8,709.1	8,683.0	8,655.1	841.9	740.9	720.5	701.2	9.6	8.5	8.3	8.1
West South Central	17,627.7	17,740.4	17,750.0	17,782.3	1,365.1	1,268.1	1,247.4	1,227.8	7.7	7.1	7.0	6.9
Midwest	34,317.5	34,322.3	34,336.0	34,339.9	2,870.7	2,626.7	2,578.0	2,532.7	8.4	7.7	7.5	7.4
East North Central	23,287.2	23,271.8	23,300.3	23,316.0	2,125.3	1,975.4	1,928.3	1,882.4	9.1	8.5	8.3	8.1
West North Central	11,030.3	11,050.5	11,035.6	11,023.9	745.4	651.3	649.7	650.3	6.8	5.9	5.9	5.9
West	35,894.6	35,933.5	35,951.2	35,995.4	3,771.8	3,459.7	3,439.8	3,447.3	10.5	9.6	9.6	9.6
Mountain	11,018.7	10,962.8	10,966.2	10,977.0	1,000.4	903.3	893.6	888.1	9.1	8.2	8.1	8.1
Pacific	24,875.9	24,970.7	24,985.0	25,018.4	2,771.4	2,556.5	2,546.1	2,559.2	11.1	10.2	10.2	10.2

¹ Census region estimates are derived by summing the census division model-based estimates.

NOTE: Data refer to place of residence. The states (including the District of Columbia) that compose the various census divisions are: New England: Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, and Vermont; Middle Atlantic: New Jersey, New York, and Pennsylvania; South Atlantic: Delaware, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Maryland, North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia, and West Virginia; East South Central: Alabama, Kentucky, Mississippi, and

Tennessee; West South Central: Arkansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, and Texas; East North Central: Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio, and Wisconsin; West North Central: Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, and South Dakota; Mountain: Arizona, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Utah, and Wyoming; and Pacific: Alaska, California, Hawaii, Oregon, and Washington. Estimates for the current year are subject to revision early in the following calendar year.

Table 2. Civilian labor force and unemployment by census region and division, not seasonally adjusted ¹

(Numbers in thousands)

Census region and division	Civilian labor force				Unemployed							
					Number				Percent of labor force			
	February		March		February		March		February		March	
	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012
Northeast	28,042.8	28,107.8	28,067.8	28,122.0	2,475.5	2,438.0	2,365.2	2,304.8	8.8	8.7	8.4	8.2
New England	7,686.8	7,690.7	7,706.7	7,678.8	662.7	600.3	635.7	557.6	8.6	7.8	8.2	7.3
Middle Atlantic	20,356.0	20,417.2	20,361.1	20,443.1	1,812.8	1,837.7	1,729.4	1,747.2	8.9	9.0	8.5	8.5
South	55,608.0	56,005.3	55,857.0	56,108.6	5,111.7	4,592.9	4,925.2	4,340.4	9.2	8.2	8.8	7.7
South Atlantic	29,444.4	29,758.3	29,592.9	29,770.6	2,837.0	2,574.6	2,735.0	2,426.6	9.6	8.7	9.2	8.2
East South Central	8,671.6	8,595.4	8,699.8	8,589.1	882.7	752.9	842.1	703.7	10.2	8.8	9.7	8.2
West South Central	17,492.0	17,651.6	17,564.3	17,748.9	1,392.0	1,265.4	1,348.1	1,210.1	8.0	7.2	7.7	6.8
Midwest	34,035.6	34,111.3	34,134.1	34,139.2	3,099.5	2,787.7	2,998.4	2,666.6	9.1	8.2	8.8	7.8
East North Central	23,092.2	23,175.8	23,153.7	23,180.6	2,284.8	2,059.5	2,211.1	1,962.5	9.9	8.9	9.5	8.5
West North Central	10,943.4	10,935.5	10,980.4	10,958.6	814.7	728.2	787.3	704.1	7.4	6.7	7.2	6.4
West	35,769.1	35,889.4	35,804.5	35,946.4	3,932.4	3,611.7	3,851.6	3,591.9	11.0	10.1	10.8	10.0
Mountain	10,966.6	10,937.4	10,966.8	10,937.6	1,041.0	929.3	1,010.2	907.5	9.5	8.5	9.2	8.3
Pacific	24,802.5	24,952.0	24,837.7	25,008.8	2,891.4	2,682.4	2,841.4	2,684.4	11.7	10.8	11.4	10.7

¹ Census region estimates are derived by summing the census division model-based estimates.

NOTE: Data refer to place of residence. The composition of the regions

and divisions is described in table 1. Estimates for the current year are subject to revision early in the following calendar year.

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Table 3. Civilian labor force and unemployment by state and selected area, seasonally adjusted

(Numbers in thousands)

State and area	Civilian labor force				Unemployed							
					Number				Percent of labor force			
	March 2011	Jan. 2012	Feb. 2012	March 2012 ^P	March 2011	Jan. 2012	Feb. 2012	March 2012 ^P	March 2011	Jan. 2012	Feb. 2012	March 2012 ^P
Alabama	2,202.6	2,160.1	2,149.8	2,141.9	203.8	167.6	161.8	157.4	9.3	7.8	7.5	7.3
Alaska	366.6	367.9	367.2	367.4	27.8	26.5	25.8	25.7	7.6	7.2	7.0	7.0
Arizona	3,052.9	3,005.9	3,005.9	3,009.4	294.0	262.6	260.4	257.8	9.6	8.7	8.7	8.6
Arkansas	1,370.1	1,383.0	1,386.0	1,389.6	110.0	105.7	105.3	103.4	8.0	7.6	7.6	7.4
California	18,358.4	18,462.4	18,467.8	18,488.0	2,179.2	2,019.5	2,012.4	2,031.4	11.9	10.9	10.9	11.0
Los Angeles-Long Beach-Glendale ¹	4,931.4	4,921.0	4,920.0	4,910.6	603.6	578.4	579.3	580.7	12.2	11.8	11.8	11.8
Colorado	2,723.1	2,730.2	2,731.1	2,735.2	230.6	213.2	212.6	213.5	8.5	7.8	7.8	7.8
Connecticut	1,921.3	1,916.0	1,914.5	1,913.0	174.0	152.5	148.6	148.0	9.1	8.0	7.8	7.7
Delaware	438.5	440.5	439.8	440.0	32.0	30.9	30.5	30.3	7.3	7.0	6.9	6.9
District of Columbia	345.5	346.6	347.8	348.6	34.5	34.4	34.3	34.2	10.0	9.9	9.8	9.8
Florida	9,226.2	9,298.7	9,297.2	9,282.3	985.0	895.4	870.5	835.7	10.7	9.6	9.4	9.0
Miami-Miami Beach-Kendall ¹	1,265.7	1,284.6	1,297.2	1,305.6	155.6	131.8	134.0	130.2	12.3	10.3	10.3	10.0
Georgia	4,719.6	4,743.5	4,750.8	4,759.2	464.0	436.8	431.0	426.8	9.8	9.2	9.1	9.0
Hawaii	661.3	660.8	659.5	658.7	43.4	43.0	42.2	42.3	6.6	6.5	6.4	6.4
Idaho	769.0	775.5	777.2	779.1	67.0	62.9	62.5	61.9	8.7	8.1	8.0	7.9
Illinois	6,552.5	6,580.0	6,589.0	6,589.3	612.7	620.1	598.4	581.2	9.3	9.4	9.1	8.8
Chicago-Joliet-Naperville ¹	4,036.8	4,074.4	4,070.0	4,069.9	377.6	388.2	364.0	353.0	9.4	9.5	8.9	8.7
Indiana	3,175.2	3,210.7	3,213.1	3,211.2	278.7	279.1	269.9	263.0	8.8	8.7	8.4	8.2
Iowa	1,667.3	1,666.5	1,664.0	1,662.8	99.2	90.1	88.2	87.0	5.9	5.4	5.3	5.2
Kansas	1,505.0	1,510.2	1,507.9	1,504.5	102.1	92.4	91.9	92.8	6.8	6.1	6.1	6.2
Kentucky	2,069.7	2,066.6	2,066.1	2,065.5	200.4	182.2	179.6	177.3	9.7	8.8	8.7	8.6
Louisiana	2,067.9	2,057.9	2,060.5	2,064.6	155.8	141.9	144.3	147.1	7.5	6.9	7.0	7.1
Maine	703.3	708.7	709.4	710.0	54.6	49.6	50.1	51.3	7.8	7.0	7.1	7.2
Maryland	3,070.7	3,079.1	3,083.7	3,087.9	218.1	199.9	201.9	203.9	7.1	6.5	6.5	6.6
Massachusetts	3,462.9	3,456.3	3,458.2	3,453.6	260.9	237.2	238.0	226.1	7.5	6.9	6.9	6.5
Michigan	4,673.2	4,633.0	4,646.9	4,656.3	492.6	417.2	409.0	397.0	10.5	9.0	8.8	8.5
Detroit-Warren-Livonia ²	2,022.0	2,005.0	2,008.4	2,004.6	236.5	201.6	197.1	189.2	11.7	10.1	9.8	9.4
Minnesota	2,977.7	2,976.1	2,974.1	2,974.3	196.5	165.6	170.0	172.7	6.6	5.6	5.7	5.8
Mississippi	1,339.6	1,349.0	1,343.8	1,337.1	140.6	134.7	128.5	120.9	10.5	10.0	9.6	9.0
Missouri	3,049.2	3,041.9	3,032.1	3,023.5	266.4	229.0	224.9	224.1	8.7	7.5	7.4	7.4
Montana	503.3	506.5	506.5	506.4	34.4	32.8	31.6	31.2	6.8	6.5	6.2	6.2
Nebraska	1,001.3	1,015.7	1,014.0	1,012.1	44.8	41.2	41.1	40.4	4.5	4.1	4.1	4.0
Nevada	1,387.5	1,377.5	1,370.8	1,364.9	188.3	174.5	168.1	163.5	13.6	12.7	12.3	12.0
New Hampshire	737.7	742.1	742.6	742.9	39.8	38.2	38.3	38.4	5.4	5.1	5.2	5.2
New Jersey	4,549.3	4,572.9	4,575.9	4,573.7	422.4	411.9	414.0	412.7	9.3	9.0	9.0	9.0
New Mexico	930.0	928.5	932.0	933.6	70.1	64.6	66.8	66.9	7.5	7.0	7.2	7.2
New York	9,516.2	9,513.5	9,520.7	9,528.9	763.0	787.9	804.7	811.5	8.0	8.3	8.5	8.5
New York City	3,943.4	3,959.3	3,959.2	3,959.8	345.2	367.5	379.2	386.1	8.8	9.3	9.6	9.7
North Carolina	4,646.0	4,683.1	4,687.7	4,679.8	481.6	475.5	463.7	451.7	10.4	10.2	9.9	9.7
North Dakota	380.2	389.7	390.0	389.9	13.0	12.3	12.0	11.8	3.4	3.2	3.1	3.0
Ohio	5,819.5	5,788.9	5,795.0	5,804.8	510.9	447.2	443.1	438.0	8.8	7.7	7.6	7.5
Cleveland-Elyria-Mentor ²	1,078.7	1,087.6	1,085.7	1,088.7	82.6	78.9	78.2	76.5	7.7	7.3	7.2	7.0
Oklahoma	1,765.6	1,785.0	1,787.5	1,787.1	104.8	109.1	106.8	96.7	5.9	6.1	6.0	5.4
Oregon	1,992.8	1,992.8	1,992.1	1,991.3	190.5	175.8	174.3	172.2	9.6	8.8	8.7	8.6
Pennsylvania	6,402.7	6,382.8	6,390.1	6,406.0	506.8	486.3	484.1	478.9	7.9	7.6	7.6	7.5
Rhode Island	564.5	560.1	559.0	558.2	63.2	61.3	61.7	62.1	11.2	10.9	11.0	11.1
South Carolina	2,155.7	2,152.1	2,158.4	2,157.6	224.0	200.9	197.4	193.0	10.4	9.3	9.1	8.9
South Dakota	446.2	449.4	449.3	448.8	22.0	19.0	19.2	19.4	4.9	4.2	4.3	4.3
Tennessee	3,134.3	3,134.7	3,123.4	3,109.4	295.5	257.5	250.8	244.5	9.4	8.2	8.0	7.9
Texas	12,423.7	12,518.6	12,517.7	12,539.6	993.8	912.1	891.4	881.2	8.0	7.3	7.1	7.0
Utah	1,345.9	1,330.8	1,334.4	1,341.0	96.1	76.1	76.4	78.1	7.1	5.7	5.7	5.8
Vermont	359.8	360.6	360.7	359.9	20.7	18.2	17.8	17.1	5.8	5.1	4.9	4.8
Virginia	4,286.8	4,342.0	4,343.1	4,341.3	265.1	253.5	249.6	244.5	6.2	5.8	5.7	5.6
Washington	3,487.5	3,492.5	3,498.1	3,502.3	327.2	293.0	289.9	289.4	9.4	8.4	8.3	8.3
Seattle-Bellevue-Everett ¹	1,483.1	1,495.3	1,489.7	1,485.9	129.2	113.0	110.8	108.5	8.7	7.6	7.4	7.3
West Virginia	800.1	802.7	803.7	804.1	63.9	59.6	57.5	55.4	8.0	7.4	7.2	6.9
Wisconsin	3,070.3	3,054.6	3,059.4	3,064.2	232.2	210.1	209.9	207.5	7.6	6.9	6.9	6.8
Wyoming	303.7	306.7	307.2	307.1	18.4	16.8	16.4	16.3	6.1	5.5	5.4	5.3
Puerto Rico	1,270.4	1,290.9	1,291.4	1,285.5	206.4	195.2	194.1	193.4	16.2	15.1	15.0	15.0

¹ Metropolitan division.

² Metropolitan statistical area.

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LABOR FORCE DATA
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

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Table 4. Civilian labor force and unemployment by state and selected area, not seasonally adjusted

(Numbers in thousands)

State and area	Civilian labor force				Unemployed							
					Number				Percent of labor force			
	February		March		February		March		February		March	
	2011	2012	2011	2012 ^P	2011	2012	2011	2012 ^P	2011	2012	2011	2012 ^P
Alabama	2,183.9	2,127.8	2,188.5	2,130.1	210.4	167.1	198.1	155.9	9.6	7.9	9.1	7.3
Alaska	363.0	363.4	363.6	365.1	31.6	28.8	30.3	28.8	8.7	7.9	8.3	7.9
Arizona	3,048.3	3,009.0	3,046.8	3,010.0	295.6	261.8	288.2	253.9	9.7	8.7	9.5	8.4
Arkansas	1,359.4	1,376.3	1,366.1	1,386.2	119.5	114.9	111.7	103.1	8.8	8.3	8.2	7.4
California	18,316.3	18,450.5	18,337.7	18,500.7	2,249.5	2,100.5	2,221.9	2,121.5	12.3	11.4	12.1	11.5
Los Angeles-Long Beach-Glendale ¹	4,929.4	4,926.2	4,919.9	4,898.8	607.7	592.8	597.2	580.6	12.3	12.0	12.1	11.9
Colorado	2,704.0	2,716.2	2,704.3	2,720.7	243.8	222.9	236.8	223.3	9.0	8.2	8.8	8.2
Connecticut	1,903.1	1,897.5	1,910.4	1,898.7	185.0	155.2	176.5	153.8	9.7	8.2	9.2	8.1
Delaware	436.1	437.2	437.7	440.6	34.6	32.7	32.4	31.3	7.9	7.5	7.4	7.1
District of Columbia	344.9	347.2	344.6	347.8	33.9	34.3	35.0	34.3	9.8	9.9	10.1	9.9
Florida	9,143.7	9,228.9	9,195.6	9,233.7	979.9	842.2	962.0	792.6	10.7	9.1	10.5	8.6
Miami-Miami Beach-Kendall ¹	1,243.1	1,294.4	1,242.1	1,287.8	141.3	125.8	145.9	115.7	11.4	9.7	11.7	9.0
Georgia	4,698.1	4,747.9	4,712.3	4,761.1	473.2	437.9	455.5	422.9	10.1	9.2	9.7	8.9
Hawaii	659.5	657.0	662.6	659.0	43.2	41.2	42.5	42.4	6.6	6.3	6.4	6.4
Idaho	763.4	774.2	765.1	775.5	74.3	69.9	72.4	66.9	9.7	9.0	9.5	8.6
Illinois	6,498.2	6,565.8	6,521.4	6,549.6	643.2	615.6	624.5	589.3	9.9	9.4	9.6	9.0
Chicago-Joliet-Naperville ¹	4,020.2	4,067.6	4,030.7	4,066.8	384.3	361.8	379.9	365.2	9.6	8.9	9.4	9.0
Indiana	3,140.0	3,183.9	3,155.2	3,185.6	299.8	280.9	288.3	274.7	9.5	8.8	9.1	8.6
Iowa	1,658.4	1,651.1	1,661.3	1,655.9	110.4	98.8	107.3	95.0	6.7	6.0	6.5	5.7
Kansas	1,498.5	1,498.3	1,500.0	1,495.6	107.9	98.5	106.1	98.9	7.2	6.6	7.1	6.6
Kentucky	2,050.2	2,049.1	2,059.6	2,056.2	219.6	196.4	206.1	184.7	10.7	9.6	10.0	9.0
Louisiana	2,037.8	2,034.0	2,051.6	2,053.1	153.0	144.1	150.0	144.6	7.5	7.1	7.3	7.0
Maine	693.1	699.8	694.9	701.2	61.6	57.7	59.3	58.1	8.9	8.2	8.5	8.3
Maryland	3,041.5	3,067.5	3,061.1	3,081.6	229.4	218.7	217.5	207.7	7.5	7.1	7.1	6.7
Massachusetts	3,437.5	3,438.6	3,447.4	3,427.9	281.4	257.6	270.4	220.4	8.2	7.5	7.8	6.4
Michigan	4,636.9	4,628.5	4,654.5	4,632.0	522.5	434.8	523.1	417.5	11.3	9.4	11.2	9.0
Detroit-Warren-Livonia ²	2,007.3	1,997.0	2,015.5	1,988.4	245.4	203.0	244.1	190.3	12.2	10.2	12.1	9.6
Minnesota	2,948.1	2,947.8	2,962.6	2,960.1	216.8	196.1	213.5	193.4	7.4	6.7	7.2	6.5
Mississippi	1,331.9	1,332.1	1,332.8	1,324.9	144.1	127.2	139.0	115.0	10.8	9.5	10.4	8.7
Missouri	3,032.9	3,006.9	3,039.4	3,011.1	290.2	251.6	273.3	238.7	9.6	8.4	9.0	7.9
Montana	497.3	501.6	500.8	503.0	38.8	34.4	37.9	35.0	7.8	6.9	7.6	7.0
Nebraska	992.7	1,005.8	998.9	1,007.2	49.2	46.4	47.3	41.9	5.0	4.6	4.7	4.2
Nevada	1,387.0	1,366.7	1,385.7	1,359.9	191.6	166.1	187.5	162.5	13.8	12.2	13.5	11.9
New Hampshire	733.8	739.4	735.0	739.9	44.3	42.9	41.5	41.1	6.0	5.8	5.6	5.6
New Jersey	4,530.1	4,567.5	4,539.4	4,560.5	448.1	444.0	433.6	424.5	9.9	9.7	9.6	9.3
New Mexico	926.6	933.3	923.8	925.6	73.2	73.2	69.3	64.8	7.9	7.8	7.5	7.0
New York	9,480.1	9,501.8	9,471.1	9,503.1	818.7	872.8	773.2	829.2	8.6	9.2	8.2	8.7
New York City	3,948.6	3,968.1	3,947.5	3,970.3	357.7	402.1	341.4	388.7	9.1	10.1	8.6	9.8
North Carolina	4,601.8	4,655.2	4,632.8	4,642.4	500.4	471.9	479.8	445.0	10.9	10.1	10.4	9.6
North Dakota	373.4	383.6	375.6	384.6	15.6	14.9	15.5	14.5	4.2	3.9	4.1	3.8
Ohio	5,762.0	5,746.8	5,769.8	5,764.4	555.0	487.2	520.3	451.3	9.6	8.5	9.0	7.8
Cleveland-Elyria-Mentor ²	1,069.3	1,075.9	1,068.7	1,085.5	91.5	86.7	83.7	76.6	8.6	8.1	7.8	7.1
Oklahoma	1,751.8	1,777.5	1,755.8	1,777.5	114.7	112.7	104.2	86.0	6.5	6.3	5.9	4.8
Oregon	1,979.9	1,980.2	1,987.4	1,982.6	209.1	191.4	203.1	183.3	10.6	9.7	10.2	9.2
Pennsylvania	6,345.8	6,347.9	6,350.6	6,379.5	546.0	520.9	522.6	493.4	8.6	8.2	8.2	7.7
Rhode Island	561.1	556.1	559.9	553.8	67.5	67.2	65.1	65.2	12.0	12.1	11.6	11.8
South Carolina	2,131.5	2,153.2	2,140.4	2,141.0	231.7	205.9	215.9	186.4	10.9	9.6	10.1	8.7
South Dakota	439.4	442.0	442.6	444.1	24.7	22.0	24.3	21.7	5.6	5.0	5.5	4.9
Tennessee	3,105.6	3,086.4	3,119.0	3,077.9	308.5	262.2	298.8	248.2	9.9	8.5	9.6	8.1
Texas	12,343.1	12,463.7	12,390.8	12,532.1	1,004.8	893.8	982.3	876.4	8.1	7.2	7.9	7.0
Utah	1,339.6	1,332.3	1,337.5	1,338.3	103.1	82.9	97.9	83.0	7.7	6.2	7.3	6.2
Vermont	358.2	359.2	359.0	357.4	23.0	19.8	22.8	19.0	6.4	5.5	6.4	5.3
Virginia	4,254.1	4,322.4	4,277.9	4,328.4	280.8	265.7	268.5	247.5	6.6	6.1	6.3	5.7
Washington	3,483.8	3,501.0	3,486.4	3,501.3	358.0	320.5	343.6	308.4	10.3	9.2	9.9	8.8
Seattle-Bellevue-Everett ¹	1,489.4	1,492.5	1,489.5	1,495.2	138.6	118.9	131.0	111.1	9.3	8.0	8.8	7.4
West Virginia	792.7	798.7	790.5	794.1	73.3	65.4	68.5	58.9	9.3	8.2	8.7	7.4
Wisconsin	3,055.1	3,050.8	3,052.8	3,049.1	264.3	241.0	254.9	229.6	8.6	7.9	8.3	7.5
Wyoming	300.1	304.2	302.6	304.7	20.6	18.1	20.2	18.1	6.9	5.9	6.7	5.9
Puerto Rico	1,269.1	1,285.6	1,270.8	1,273.2	202.5	191.2	213.6	190.2	16.0	14.9	16.8	14.9

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ESTABLISHMENT DATA
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

Table 5. Employees on nonfarm payrolls by state and selected industry sector, seasonally adjusted
[In thousands]

State	Total ¹				Construction				Manufacturing			
	Mar. 2011	Jan. 2012	Feb. 2012	Mar. 2012 ^p	Mar. 2011	Jan. 2012	Feb. 2012	Mar. 2012 ^p	Mar. 2011	Jan. 2012	Feb. 2012	Mar. 2012 ^p
Alabama ²	1,869.7	1,865.2	1,869.7	1,869.7	81.8	73.8	74.8	73.3	—	—	—	—
Alaska	329.4	328.6	330.7	331.7	15.8	15.2	14.8	14.2	13.6	11.9	12.4	13.1
Arizona	2,399.0	2,427.9	2,435.3	2,448.8	110.8	114.8	113.4	117.2	149.4	150.2	150.8	150.8
Arkansas	1,161.7	1,167.0	1,168.0	1,166.1	47.0	48.6	48.8	46.7	160.4	156.4	156.2	156.2
California	14,056.3	14,180.5	14,219.1	14,237.3	554.7	567.4	568.1	565.5	1,246.3	1,243.8	1,247.5	1,245.3
Colorado	2,244.7	2,284.2	2,287.9	2,290.5	112.6	118.1	116.8	116.9	128.3	130.3	130.9	132.1
Connecticut	1,621.7	1,628.9	1,634.9	1,632.2	51.4	52.0	53.1	51.8	166.7	166.3	166.2	165.6
Delaware ³	418.4	418.2	420.6	419.7	20.2	19.1	19.3	19.0	25.7	25.3	25.7	25.7
District of Columbia ^{2, 3}	725.5	733.1	734.6	738.6	11.5	12.5	13.1	13.3	—	—	—	—
Florida	7,238.9	7,297.8	7,317.9	7,328.7	334.8	320.8	322.4	321.3	310.8	314.5	314.6	314.1
Georgia	3,877.0	3,913.4	3,905.7	3,908.8	148.6	145.8	141.7	139.8	348.6	353.0	352.1	354.7
Hawaii ³	593.4	595.0	595.9	597.0	28.4	27.6	28.3	28.0	13.2	13.1	12.9	12.9
Idaho	606.7	614.1	615.3	615.7	30.0	31.2	31.2	30.0	54.7	56.8	57.1	56.7
Illinois	5,666.3	5,679.9	5,688.9	5,698.0	200.6	189.7	196.1	191.1	572.1	579.6	582.2	587.4
Indiana	2,830.8	2,861.7	2,864.0	2,867.0	118.1	126.7	124.2	124.7	462.1	474.7	476.9	480.3
Iowa	1,477.2	1,484.8	1,492.1	1,490.5	61.2	64.1	65.4	66.7	205.3	215.2	215.1	217.5
Kansas	1,331.0	1,356.0	1,350.8	1,352.5	53.7	56.0	55.9	55.4	160.0	162.7	163.2	163.8
Kentucky	1,787.7	1,813.4	1,818.7	1,821.9	68.2	69.0	70.0	69.4	210.8	216.0	214.6	213.3
Louisiana	1,908.1	1,943.2	1,950.0	1,952.1	122.7	120.2	123.0	121.2	138.7	140.4	140.2	142.2
Maine	593.7	595.7	597.7	595.0	25.0	25.0	25.1	24.6	51.1	50.7	50.1	50.2
Maryland ³	2,538.6	2,577.1	2,586.7	2,588.2	144.3	149.7	151.9	150.7	113.8	111.5	111.3	110.5
Massachusetts	3,211.3	3,225.7	3,232.9	3,241.6	108.3	106.9	107.8	107.1	253.8	255.1	255.2	255.5
Michigan	3,925.5	3,980.0	3,981.5	3,982.0	124.9	122.7	123.4	124.8	497.8	527.7	522.4	527.8
Minnesota	2,673.2	2,699.1	2,704.9	2,704.7	90.8	95.2	96.2	95.7	298.9	304.5	304.1	303.1
Mississippi	1,093.0	1,088.4	1,090.4	1,089.5	50.0	48.0	48.9	47.9	135.7	134.7	134.6	135.5
Missouri	2,654.8	2,654.3	2,655.2	2,660.0	103.5	102.0	100.2	102.6	245.6	252.0	251.1	254.8
Montana	427.2	425.9	426.0	425.8	22.0	22.9	23.1	23.4	16.9	17.2	17.2	17.1
Nebraska ³	943.7	944.5	942.5	947.1	41.9	41.8	40.9	41.1	92.9	94.0	93.2	94.2
Nevada	1,122.0	1,133.5	1,121.5	1,126.5	54.2	54.3	49.9	49.0	38.3	37.7	37.5	37.6
New Hampshire	627.4	632.4	628.8	627.8	22.4	23.4	23.3	23.2	66.6	66.4	66.0	66.5
New Jersey	3,843.5	3,883.4	3,890.4	3,881.8	127.8	129.2	130.6	127.4	255.2	255.2	254.5	253.0
New Mexico	800.6	801.6	804.3	805.3	43.0	42.2	42.1	40.6	29.0	28.6	28.7	29.0
New York	8,649.4	8,761.0	8,785.6	8,804.7	306.0	301.2	304.1	305.7	457.6	457.5	458.3	458.4
North Carolina	3,920.1	3,954.1	3,960.2	3,958.9	175.3	176.8	175.7	172.8	434.0	437.4	436.3	437.0
North Dakota	387.9	407.7	413.0	413.3	22.6	25.9	26.5	26.2	23.5	24.6	24.8	24.9
Ohio	5,077.4	5,119.3	5,146.5	5,137.0	173.7	177.0	181.1	174.1	634.2	647.2	648.9	653.5
Oklahoma	1,542.5	1,572.3	1,577.8	1,580.1	68.1	67.5	67.3	65.3	127.4	134.3	135.8	136.5
Oregon	1,618.5	1,623.6	1,620.4	1,620.1	68.2	70.3	68.5	68.5	167.8	165.4	165.1	164.9
Pennsylvania	5,682.7	5,700.9	5,720.6	5,728.4	220.2	230.4	229.7	226.7	564.0	568.0	568.4	570.5
Rhode Island	459.9	457.9	458.3	457.7	15.6	15.6	15.2	15.1	40.7	41.0	41.0	41.0
South Carolina	1,828.4	1,845.8	1,855.3	1,852.7	77.4	74.9	76.0	75.4	213.7	221.8	223.0	222.4
South Dakota ³	406.3	406.9	407.5	407.6	21.0	21.6	20.8	20.9	38.5	39.3	39.6	39.4
Tennessee ³	2,647.3	2,687.4	2,693.0	2,691.3	106.8	115.8	115.2	114.9	303.2	307.2	307.9	309.3
Texas	10,496.0	10,710.9	10,730.8	10,741.7	560.0	563.2	568.8	564.9	826.7	846.5	847.5	850.4
Utah	1,197.2	1,222.1	1,226.1	1,226.2	64.6	67.2	68.1	67.7	112.9	116.7	117.3	118.2
Vermont	299.4	300.8	301.8	302.0	13.6	14.1	14.2	14.0	30.8	30.8	31.1	31.2
Virginia	3,674.9	3,703.3	3,713.3	3,712.9	180.5	180.9	179.8	180.9	230.6	226.9	228.8	228.8
Washington	2,806.1	2,848.4	2,844.9	2,850.1	136.4	140.0	140.3	140.0	264.6	277.6	277.9	279.1
West Virginia	751.5	763.9	762.1	761.3	32.2	34.3	34.4	34.7	49.6	48.7	48.8	49.0
Wisconsin	2,754.5	2,725.0	2,735.1	2,730.6	93.7	90.2	92.4	87.9	441.3	446.0	446.8	448.8
Wyoming	285.0	286.7	288.6	287.8	21.0	20.8	21.0	21.0	9.0	9.0	8.9	8.9
Puerto Rico ³	922.9	923.3	925.1	919.3	31.6	33.9	33.1	33.1	85.3	82.4	83.2	82.6
Virgin Islands ²	44.6	43.9	43.3	43.1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

1 Includes mining and logging, information, and other services (except public administration), not shown separately.

2 Missing series (denoted by "-") 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.

3 Mining and logging is combined with construction.

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**ESTABLISHMENT DATA
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED**

Table 5. Employees on nonfarm payrolls by state and selected industry sector, seasonally adjusted-Continued
[In thousands]

State	Trade, transportation, and utilities				Financial activities				Professional and business services			
	Mar. 2011	Jan. 2012	Feb. 2012	Mar. 2012 ^p	Mar. 2011	Jan. 2012	Feb. 2012	Mar. 2012 ^p	Mar. 2011	Jan. 2012	Feb. 2012	Mar. 2012 ^p
Alabama.....	363.1	366.3	365.3	365.0	92.0	92.7	92.7	93.0	213.4	214.3	216.5	216.6
Alaska.....	63.3	62.7	63.1	63.1	14.9	14.9	15.1	15.0	26.8	27.4	28.3	28.7
Arizona.....	470.8	475.0	473.5	474.0	165.9	166.7	166.2	168.1	344.8	352.0	355.4	356.4
Arkansas.....	235.6	239.1	237.4	237.3	48.5	47.4	47.4	47.3	118.8	116.9	116.7	115.0
California.....	2,647.9	2,701.4	2,695.5	2,698.7	761.2	763.4	764.9	767.9	2,119.2	2,180.5	2,183.5	2,185.5
Colorado.....	399.9	405.5	406.4	406.0	143.7	143.7	142.7	143.2	335.5	349.3	349.7	348.9
Connecticut.....	292.5	297.6	299.7	297.4	135.7	132.0	131.9	132.3	193.3	194.8	196.1	196.7
Delaware.....	75.5	76.0	75.7	75.8	42.7	42.9	42.9	43.0	55.3	55.7	56.7	55.3
District of Columbia.....	27.4	27.2	27.4	27.8	26.7	27.0	26.9	26.8	148.7	151.2	150.8	151.5
Florida.....	1,481.6	1,514.7	1,511.3	1,512.0	482.1	486.0	487.6	487.9	1,040.8	1,058.1	1,064.8	1,067.1
Georgia.....	821.9	830.3	830.4	829.3	209.4	209.1	207.2	207.5	541.2	562.9	565.4	567.7
Hawaii.....	111.0	110.9	111.3	112.1	26.7	27.6	27.6	27.1	74.7	76.3	75.5	75.7
Idaho.....	121.6	124.8	125.2	124.1	29.5	28.7	28.3	28.6	75.3	76.4	76.1	76.7
Illinois.....	1,139.5	1,139.8	1,136.1	1,133.8	363.2	363.6	364.8	363.7	825.1	845.6	847.6	855.7
Indiana.....	549.1	554.4	549.0	549.6	132.2	128.8	128.3	129.6	287.6	296.0	295.1	292.6
Iowa.....	301.3	303.1	303.9	301.4	100.3	100.2	100.4	100.8	123.9	121.7	122.3	121.7
Kansas.....	252.9	254.0	254.5	252.6	71.6	72.3	71.9	72.6	147.9	159.0	160.7	160.9
Kentucky.....	364.7	368.1	367.1	369.0	84.8	83.0	82.7	83.6	184.2	198.9	201.9	202.4
Louisiana.....	373.3	380.5	381.0	380.1	94.3	97.1	97.0	97.1	195.3	201.4	202.1	201.0
Maine.....	116.9	119.3	120.8	119.2	31.6	31.6	31.6	31.6	57.0	56.1	56.3	57.0
Maryland.....	442.5	444.6	441.4	444.1	143.2	141.9	143.0	142.4	394.0	401.2	407.1	410.5
Massachusetts.....	548.1	553.9	556.0	558.8	206.4	204.8	203.9	203.6	470.4	482.1	482.5	487.4
Michigan.....	718.0	724.9	722.3	718.7	193.4	196.9	195.6	194.7	548.2	564.8	570.9	565.9
Minnesota.....	493.1	495.9	495.1	497.6	174.2	174.4	174.3	174.3	325.2	343.6	339.6	339.3
Mississippi.....	215.4	213.7	213.3	212.0	44.7	44.8	44.7	44.8	94.0	92.8	93.3	93.6
Missouri.....	514.7	511.8	510.4	509.1	161.0	157.2	158.6	158.3	329.7	335.7	336.6	340.7
Montana.....	85.7	87.2	86.3	85.7	21.1	20.8	20.9	20.9	40.4	41.9	42.0	42.1
Nebraska.....	196.6	195.9	195.3	194.7	69.6	69.2	68.4	68.2	101.9	102.7	103.1	103.9
Nevada.....	211.4	214.1	211.2	211.6	52.4	51.8	50.9	51.1	138.1	140.7	136.8	139.8
New Hampshire.....	133.8	133.7	133.6	132.5	34.5	34.7	34.3	34.3	65.7	66.0	66.8	66.2
New Jersey.....	814.8	826.0	822.4	822.5	250.6	252.9	254.3	252.9	598.4	599.7	602.3	598.3
New Mexico.....	132.5	134.1	134.1	133.5	32.4	33.0	32.1	32.5	99.6	97.4	96.3	96.8
New York.....	1,481.8	1,496.9	1,498.4	1,499.9	679.1	693.5	691.9	692.6	1,123.4	1,169.1	1,180.0	1,184.5
North Carolina.....	723.9	734.8	734.3	735.3	203.6	203.4	203.4	205.0	509.0	515.1	517.0	515.7
North Dakota.....	84.0	90.4	91.3	90.6	20.9	21.2	21.7	21.4	29.0	31.8	32.5	33.3
Ohio.....	952.3	966.8	972.3	978.6	279.3	278.3	277.3	277.8	646.2	648.7	651.7	651.3
Oklahoma.....	280.5	287.4	286.5	287.1	79.3	80.6	81.1	80.9	172.4	174.3	175.5	178.7
Oregon.....	311.8	316.5	315.3	316.3	92.5	92.5	92.0	91.8	186.8	185.9	185.4	184.6
Pennsylvania.....	1,092.1	1,096.5	1,096.3	1,100.3	308.9	310.7	311.1	312.8	710.8	708.0	715.7	715.7
Rhode Island.....	73.2	73.1	73.0	72.9	30.7	30.4	30.2	30.5	54.1	54.5	55.0	54.1
South Carolina.....	348.6	355.0	352.4	353.2	95.9	95.8	94.1	95.2	227.2	230.9	234.5	233.4
South Dakota.....	81.4	82.5	82.4	82.4	28.3	27.5	28.1	28.0	28.3	28.9	29.2	30.3
Tennessee.....	559.6	558.3	558.1	557.1	135.3	136.5	135.7	135.7	317.8	331.0	332.5	328.5
Texas.....	2,088.5	2,143.3	2,147.4	2,143.4	635.7	648.6	650.1	652.1	1,322.9	1,375.1	1,373.5	1,373.9
Utah.....	230.9	234.4	235.0	234.7	67.8	70.1	70.7	71.0	157.2	162.1	162.4	163.2
Vermont.....	56.3	57.3	57.3	56.7	12.1	11.9	11.9	12.1	24.4	25.7	26.4	26.0
Virginia.....	627.5	633.3	634.0	630.6	180.3	186.1	188.5	188.6	664.5	667.3	669.1	663.4
Washington.....	521.7	534.0	535.5	535.9	137.7	136.3	135.5	136.5	335.8	342.0	340.4	340.9
West Virginia.....	135.4	135.4	134.9	133.7	27.8	27.0	26.8	27.2	62.1	63.3	63.4	64.4
Wisconsin.....	509.5	510.6	508.7	505.6	159.6	156.2	156.4	155.5	284.3	282.0	283.8	281.7
Wyoming.....	52.2	53.4	53.7	53.3	10.7	10.7	10.8	10.7	17.4	17.6	18.4	18.4
Puerto Rico.....	174.4	162.6	163.1	161.7	43.7	43.8	43.8	43.6	106.1	101.7	105.8	104.0
Virgin Islands ¹	8.3	8.7	8.7	8.7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

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ESTABLISHMENT DATA
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

Table 5. Employees on nonfarm payrolls by state and selected industry sector, seasonally adjusted-Continued
[In thousands]

State	Education and health services				Leisure and hospitality				Government			
	Mar. 2011	Jan. 2012	Feb. 2012	Mar. 2012 ^p	Mar. 2011	Jan. 2012	Feb. 2012	Mar. 2012 ^p	Mar. 2011	Jan. 2012	Feb. 2012	Mar. 2012 ^p
Alabama.....	215.8	218.2	218.7	218.2	168.2	171.2	173.1	173.9	384.9	373.9	373.2	373.9
Alaska.....	44.0	45.6	45.6	45.6	32.6	33.1	32.8	32.8	84.9	84.6	84.7	85.4
Arizona.....	352.0	358.3	360.7	361.5	257.8	262.7	264.9	268.0	410.9	411.1	413.9	415.7
Arkansas.....	166.1	170.1	169.9	170.9	98.8	101.0	101.3	103.3	217.4	218.8	221.1	220.2
California.....	1,822.9	1,853.6	1,861.0	1,874.1	1,525.7	1,543.2	1,544.2	1,558.0	2,430.2	2,389.5	2,381.6	2,384.2
Colorado.....	271.0	276.6	277.8	278.9	269.7	277.8	277.8	279.3	392.8	390.4	392.2	392.2
Connecticut.....	312.5	318.3	321.2	321.2	136.0	138.5	138.0	137.9	241.0	236.4	235.8	236.2
Delaware.....	66.1	67.5	67.7	67.6	44.0	42.1	42.5	43.4	63.4	64.3	64.6	64.7
District of Columbia.....	112.4	118.3	119.0	119.6	60.8	62.7	63.2	64.1	251.5	245.3	245.7	247.0
Florida.....	1,093.1	1,112.9	1,118.1	1,117.9	946.5	958.1	963.2	969.8	1,102.2	1,086.6	1,088.4	1,090.2
Georgia.....	497.3	503.9	504.5	505.2	380.9	381.9	379.8	381.5	667.9	669.6	666.3	667.4
Hawaii.....	75.5	74.7	75.7	75.9	102.5	105.7	106.7	107.8	125.4	125.8	124.6	124.3
Idaho.....	85.9	87.7	88.3	89.1	58.2	58.7	59.5	60.2	117.7	115.5	114.9	115.1
Illinois.....	846.5	851.4	852.8	851.3	520.4	523.3	525.1	530.6	839.4	830.8	829.6	829.8
Indiana.....	427.1	423.4	428.9	428.9	277.5	282.1	285.7	288.2	426.4	424.8	425.0	422.7
Iowa.....	215.2	214.7	217.3	217.3	131.3	129.9	131.9	130.6	251.9	248.3	248.3	247.0
Kansas.....	183.0	184.3	183.7	185.6	114.2	117.0	116.8	118.7	259.0	261.8	255.7	255.4
Kentucky.....	253.8	259.2	259.7	260.3	169.5	173.1	175.3	177.1	332.1	327.2	328.7	328.2
Louisiana.....	286.3	299.8	299.1	299.9	197.9	200.8	202.1	203.2	358.6	361.3	362.1	361.6
Maine.....	118.9	121.1	123.4	122.3	60.0	59.0	58.9	59.0	102.5	102.3	101.3	101.0
Maryland.....	405.3	416.1	422.6	421.5	233.8	237.4	238.9	241.9	505.5	512.6	510.1	507.4
Massachusetts.....	671.5	671.7	671.3	673.8	311.9	312.5	317.9	317.3	435.7	431.5	431.6	431.4
Michigan.....	616.2	623.6	629.2	628.9	378.7	376.2	376.6	380.1	620.6	614.8	612.5	611.8
Minnesota.....	465.9	474.1	479.2	479.4	237.2	228.6	229.4	230.6	413.6	405.3	407.8	406.0
Mississippi.....	133.8	137.7	137.6	136.7	118.8	115.3	115.9	116.5	245.6	246.3	247.5	247.5
Missouri.....	414.5	419.5	421.9	422.9	270.5	268.1	269.0	264.1	439.9	433.3	432.5	433.2
Montana.....	64.1	64.6	64.8	64.9	56.2	54.8	54.9	54.8	89.0	85.1	85.1	85.2
Nebraska.....	136.9	137.7	137.7	138.7	81.7	80.5	80.7	83.5	168.6	168.9	169.4	169.2
Nevada.....	103.6	103.7	102.4	102.8	314.7	322.9	324.2	325.4	151.3	146.4	146.0	146.3
New Hampshire.....	113.2	114.5	112.9	113.2	63.0	64.2	64.0	63.8	93.4	93.9	92.4	92.3
New Jersey.....	603.9	625.2	629.1	627.3	334.5	335.6	338.8	337.8	620.5	621.0	620.6	623.6
New Mexico.....	121.6	125.0	127.4	127.4	83.5	83.2	83.5	85.7	196.8	195.3	195.3	195.3
New York.....	1,723.6	1,753.8	1,754.1	1,766.7	759.3	781.4	786.2	784.4	1,487.0	1,486.3	1,489.7	1,487.3
North Carolina.....	544.7	553.9	556.8	556.2	399.4	400.9	402.9	404.2	701.1	700.1	703.7	702.7
North Dakota.....	56.1	57.5	58.1	58.0	35.0	35.4	35.9	36.5	79.4	78.5	78.6	78.2
Ohio.....	847.0	859.5	867.5	863.2	479.5	478.3	478.4	473.2	768.4	762.0	766.1	764.9
Oklahoma.....	204.4	208.6	209.3	209.0	141.6	142.3	143.3	143.1	335.4	338.4	339.3	338.8
Oregon.....	233.2	238.8	238.2	237.4	165.0	165.4	166.6	167.2	297.3	291.7	292.2	291.4
Pennsylvania.....	1,149.4	1,155.4	1,165.8	1,165.4	510.8	515.6	515.0	522.0	751.2	732.9	736.4	733.9
Rhode Island.....	103.0	103.6	103.6	103.4	49.6	47.6	48.6	48.9	60.8	60.1	60.2	59.8
South Carolina.....	216.5	215.8	220.4	217.7	209.6	214.5	213.4	213.2	341.0	336.5	340.8	342.1
South Dakota.....	65.0	65.9	66.5	66.4	43.2	41.5	40.9	41.1	78.5	78.0	77.6	77.8
Tennessee.....	382.2	387.0	389.2	388.4	265.3	266.9	267.7	270.0	431.3	438.1	440.4	441.4
Texas.....	1,407.1	1,449.9	1,451.7	1,454.6	1,034.5	1,080.6	1,078.4	1,084.4	1,836.5	1,770.6	1,778.7	1,781.6
Utah.....	157.2	161.5	162.4	161.2	112.7	112.7	113.4	112.1	219.7	220.7	219.1	220.5
Vermont.....	59.6	60.9	60.9	60.8	32.8	32.8	32.4	33.0	54.0	52.2	52.4	52.8
Virginia.....	463.8	473.3	475.3	477.6	347.3	348.9	351.3	356.8	709.3	714.0	716.4	715.4
Washington.....	379.9	388.3	388.8	388.7	268.0	276.8	277.4	278.3	545.5	537.7	534.2	536.6
West Virginia.....	122.3	124.3	125.3	125.6	72.9	75.4	75.1	74.5	151.7	155.2	154.9	153.9
Wisconsin.....	408.5	412.7	415.9	415.6	251.7	246.7	246.5	250.0	418.9	397.3	401.3	401.1
Wyoming ¹	—	—	—	—	32.5	32.1	32.0	31.6	72.9	73.0	73.2	73.4
Puerto Rico.....	114.6	117.1	116.7	114.6	70.8	73.1	72.4	72.5	260.3	271.3	269.2	269.5
Virgin Islands ¹	—	—	—	—	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	12.9	12.2	11.9	11.8

¹ Missing series (denoted by '-') 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

NOTE: Data are counts of jobs by place of work. Estimates are currently estimated from 2011 benchmark levels. Estimates subsequent to the current benchmarks are preliminary and will be revised when new information becomes available.

ESTABLISHMENT DATA
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

Table 6. Employees on nonfarm payrolls by state and selected industry sector, not seasonally adjusted
[In thousands]

State	Total				Mining and logging				Construction			
	February		March		February		March		February		March	
	2011	2012	2011	2012 ^p	2011	2012	2011	2012 ^p	2011	2012	2011	2012 ^p
Alabama.....	1,853.3	1,856.0	1,865.6	1,868.2	12.1	12.5	12.1	12.3	79.2	71.6	81.1	72.9
Alaska.....	314.4	317.1	316.8	319.4	15.2	16.0	15.3	16.1	12.5	11.5	12.8	11.3
Arizona.....	2,398.5	2,439.5	2,411.4	2,458.4	11.4	11.5	11.5	11.6	106.4	110.6	107.9	114.4
Arkansas.....	1,146.5	1,155.7	1,160.6	1,166.6	10.6	10.6	10.7	10.9	43.6	45.3	45.5	45.8
California.....	13,947.0	14,151.0	14,008.5	14,226.0	27.0	27.6	26.9	27.6	535.1	542.7	534.3	546.7
Colorado.....	2,213.4	2,260.6	2,229.1	2,277.0	25.9	27.9	26.3	28.1	102.7	107.4	105.3	109.5
Connecticut.....	1,597.9	1,610.1	1,600.4	1,611.8	0.5	0.4	0.5	0.4	45.3	45.5	46.0	45.2
Delaware ¹	407.9	409.1	411.8	413.1	—	—	—	—	18.6	18.0	19.3	18.1
District of Columbia ¹	716.2	731.3	720.6	735.5	—	—	—	—	11.1	12.6	11.2	12.9
Florida.....	7,246.4	7,339.3	7,293.4	7,380.4	5.7	5.6	5.7	5.6	330.3	315.1	332.6	314.1
Georgia.....	3,838.6	3,881.0	3,859.3	3,894.9	9.1	8.7	9.0	8.7	143.6	137.7	146.3	135.9
Hawaii ¹	592.2	596.5	595.9	600.4	—	—	—	—	28.0	27.7	28.1	27.7
Idaho.....	592.5	600.8	595.2	606.1	3.4	3.4	3.3	3.2	25.6	26.3	26.2	26.2
Illinois.....	5,545.6	5,577.9	5,589.8	5,627.7	8.8	9.3	9.0	9.5	167.7	161.9	177.2	168.8
Indiana.....	2,771.6	2,819.5	2,807.1	2,849.7	6.4	6.5	6.6	6.6	102.2	109.9	108.0	115.6
Iowa.....	1,449.9	1,467.0	1,460.8	1,476.8	1.8	1.9	1.8	2.0	49.6	55.0	52.1	58.0
Kansas.....	1,315.0	1,333.9	1,324.6	1,344.7	8.3	8.8	8.5	8.9	46.8	49.6	49.9	51.4
Kentucky.....	1,754.2	1,789.8	1,771.6	1,811.5	22.1	21.7	22.3	21.8	60.7	62.1	63.7	64.4
Louisiana.....	1,895.3	1,944.8	1,908.0	1,955.3	52.0	55.9	52.2	57.0	119.5	120.6	121.9	120.2
Maine.....	574.2	577.0	575.4	577.1	2.6	2.9	2.6	2.8	21.3	21.1	21.4	21.0
Maryland ¹	2,488.2	2,537.6	2,514.7	2,561.4	—	—	—	—	137.2	142.9	139.5	144.1
Massachusetts.....	3,149.0	3,161.6	3,164.3	3,184.4	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	94.0	91.8	95.8	93.9
Michigan.....	3,846.5	3,908.4	3,874.2	3,930.7	6.7	6.8	6.7	6.8	104.9	101.9	107.4	105.5
Minnesota.....	2,614.5	2,642.5	2,623.9	2,653.3	6.2	6.3	6.1	6.3	72.7	75.8	74.5	77.6
Mississippi.....	1,082.4	1,084.1	1,092.9	1,090.2	8.8	9.2	9.0	9.3	47.2	46.5	49.1	47.4
Missouri.....	2,602.8	2,611.3	2,636.9	2,642.7	3.8	4.1	4.2	4.3	90.5	89.1	96.9	95.2
Montana.....	413.9	413.5	417.6	417.2	7.5	7.7	7.6	7.6	17.8	19.1	18.5	20.4
Nebraska ¹	926.2	929.6	933.4	936.1	—	—	—	—	36.4	36.7	38.3	38.0
Nevada.....	1,108.8	1,113.9	1,113.8	1,122.6	13.0	15.3	13.2	15.6	52.1	47.2	50.2	47.4
New Hampshire.....	615.7	617.9	617.7	618.0	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	19.1	20.4	19.7	20.6
New Jersey.....	3,763.8	3,816.5	3,793.4	3,834.8	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	112.4	115.4	118.3	117.1
New Mexico.....	795.7	800.9	800.4	804.4	20.0	22.5	20.2	22.5	40.5	39.4	41.9	38.7
New York.....	8,515.8	8,640.8	8,560.1	8,708.2	4.4	4.3	4.5	4.5	270.7	265.4	278.9	272.8
North Carolina.....	3,871.0	3,910.9	3,901.0	3,944.0	5.6	5.4	5.6	5.5	167.2	166.9	170.7	169.5
North Dakota.....	379.5	405.8	382.9	408.1	14.0	19.4	14.5	20.3	18.1	22.3	18.9	22.4
Ohio.....	4,977.9	5,047.2	5,011.7	5,079.1	10.8	11.3	11.1	11.4	147.9	152.1	154.2	155.8
Oklahoma.....	1,515.7	1,563.3	1,539.2	1,575.8	47.8	55.3	48.6	55.7	63.7	64.7	66.8	64.1
Oregon.....	1,596.6	1,603.1	1,603.4	1,608.8	6.5	6.5	6.4	6.5	62.9	63.5	63.6	63.6
Pennsylvania.....	5,589.7	5,641.9	5,632.6	5,683.4	30.2	36.1	30.8	37.3	192.5	204.8	203.5	208.5
Rhode Island.....	448.9	447.9	451.8	450.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	13.0	12.8	13.4	13.2
South Carolina.....	1,798.8	1,828.0	1,819.1	1,845.1	3.9	3.8	4.0	3.8	75.6	74.1	76.7	74.3
South Dakota ¹	394.4	396.4	396.8	398.4	—	—	—	—	16.9	16.8	17.4	17.4
Tennessee ¹	2,609.1	2,652.6	2,631.5	2,674.5	—	—	—	—	99.8	109.6	103.1	112.2
Texas.....	10,390.7	10,648.9	10,486.7	10,723.8	220.9	257.3	223.9	260.7	549.4	558.0	557.6	561.6
Utah.....	1,182.2	1,211.7	1,190.7	1,218.1	10.9	12.0	11.1	12.0	58.8	61.4	60.0	62.8
Vermont.....	299.2	302.2	297.9	301.0	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	11.1	11.4	11.0	11.3
Virginia.....	3,620.8	3,661.9	3,647.4	3,694.1	10.6	10.7	10.7	10.9	171.9	172.5	174.5	175.0
Washington.....	2,769.3	2,810.8	2,781.4	2,826.0	5.7	5.4	5.7	5.4	127.5	130.0	129.0	132.4
West Virginia.....	735.8	748.8	744.6	754.8	32.0	32.6	32.2	32.6	27.7	29.9	29.2	31.2
Wisconsin.....	2,688.9	2,668.4	2,705.0	2,675.0	2.5	2.4	2.6	2.5	76.8	72.5	79.5	70.8
Wyoming.....	275.6	279.8	278.0	280.4	26.2	27.6	26.3	27.1	17.8	18.1	18.3	18.5
Puerto Rico ¹	917.3	920.7	921.4	917.5	—	—	—	—	31.3	33.4	31.7	33.5
Virgin Islands ¹	45.1	43.6	45.3	43.5	—	—	—	—	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0

1 Mining and logging is combined with construction.

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ESTABLISHMENT DATA
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

Table 6. Employees on nonfarm payrolls by state and selected industry sector, not seasonally adjusted-Continued
 [In thousands]

State	Manufacturing				Trade, transportation, and utilities				Information			
	February		March		February		March		February		March	
	2011	2012	2011	2012 ^p	2011	2012	2011	2012 ^p	2011	2012	2011	2012 ^p
Alabama.....	235.0	239.1	235.8	239.0	358.8	361.6	360.7	364.2	23.4	22.6	23.2	22.5
Alaska.....	12.3	11.4	12.8	12.0	58.9	59.7	59.8	60.1	6.3	6.3	6.4	6.3
Arizona.....	148.4	150.2	148.7	150.5	467.5	472.2	468.9	473.9	36.3	36.6	36.4	36.8
Arkansas.....	159.7	154.5	160.3	155.3	231.3	232.0	233.9	235.3	15.0	14.2	14.9	14.2
California.....	1,232.2	1,237.9	1,235.8	1,238.7	2,615.8	2,663.3	2,614.3	2,668.5	429.7	460.8	431.1	447.4
Colorado.....	126.3	129.8	127.2	131.1	392.6	398.7	393.8	400.3	72.2	69.8	71.8	69.6
Connecticut.....	165.4	164.7	165.8	164.4	287.0	293.1	287.2	293.3	31.5	31.9	31.5	31.7
Delaware.....	25.3	25.1	25.4	25.3	73.4	73.3	73.7	74.1	5.8	5.7	5.8	5.7
District of Columbia.....	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.0	27.1	27.0	27.1	27.4	18.5	18.3	18.6	18.5
Florida.....	309.6	314.0	310.1	314.6	1,475.2	1,507.0	1,480.1	1,511.7	134.9	133.8	134.8	133.7
Georgia.....	347.7	351.3	348.4	354.3	809.8	822.6	812.4	823.1	98.1	96.8	98.0	95.3
Hawaii.....	13.2	12.8	13.2	12.8	110.3	111.3	110.5	112.2	9.4	8.0	10.2	7.9
Idaho.....	53.5	56.2	53.8	56.0	118.3	121.6	118.9	122.1	9.3	9.4	9.3	9.4
Illinois.....	566.1	577.9	568.9	583.8	1,116.8	1,111.0	1,122.2	1,119.0	99.9	98.0	100.1	100.0
Indiana.....	453.8	472.9	458.2	477.8	536.2	537.1	539.5	544.5	34.2	34.1	34.4	34.1
Iowa.....	202.0	212.4	203.6	215.6	294.2	297.7	296.3	297.4	28.4	27.5	28.3	27.7
Kansas.....	158.7	162.3	159.3	163.1	250.5	249.7	249.8	249.5	28.7	26.8	28.7	26.3
Kentucky.....	210.3	213.2	210.7	212.9	356.9	361.4	360.0	367.1	26.9	26.0	26.8	26.3
Louisiana.....	137.3	139.3	137.9	140.7	368.9	378.3	370.7	380.5	23.5	24.5	25.1	24.5
Maine.....	49.9	48.9	50.1	49.2	112.3	115.2	111.5	114.1	8.3	7.9	8.3	7.7
Maryland.....	112.6	110.1	113.0	109.9	432.1	431.7	434.9	436.9	41.9	42.8	42.1	42.4
Massachusetts.....	250.9	253.6	251.7	253.8	535.3	542.5	535.3	546.1	83.4	82.5	83.8	82.5
Michigan.....	492.1	516.1	494.9	521.0	698.7	704.4	700.6	704.9	53.5	53.4	53.4	53.0
Minnesota.....	292.3	298.9	293.0	299.2	480.9	484.6	482.3	486.5	53.3	54.1	53.1	54.2
Mississippi.....	134.3	134.3	135.3	135.4	212.2	211.4	214.2	211.8	12.0	11.5	12.0	11.6
Missouri.....	243.5	248.5	244.8	252.1	503.5	499.3	507.9	502.8	58.3	58.2	58.2	57.1
Montana.....	16.3	16.8	16.4	16.7	83.6	83.8	83.7	83.9	7.2	7.3	7.2	7.3
Nebraska.....	91.9	92.7	92.4	93.7	192.7	191.7	193.8	192.1	16.9	17.0	16.8	17.0
Nevada.....	37.6	37.2	37.9	37.3	207.5	207.7	208.0	209.1	12.3	13.0	12.4	13.0
New Hampshire.....	65.8	65.3	66.1	65.8	130.3	129.4	130.5	129.1	10.9	11.0	11.0	11.0
New Jersey.....	253.1	251.1	253.6	249.6	797.8	806.5	800.5	809.7	75.3	67.6	75.4	68.7
New Mexico.....	28.8	28.7	29.0	29.0	131.0	132.1	131.3	132.0	13.4	14.1	13.6	13.8
New York.....	451.6	450.9	453.0	452.7	1,449.8	1,465.2	1,452.3	1,473.4	252.2	246.6	253.7	250.3
North Carolina.....	430.4	432.7	431.7	434.8	709.9	719.0	715.0	726.9	67.9	68.3	67.9	68.7
North Dakota.....	22.9	24.5	23.1	24.7	82.2	89.5	82.6	89.2	7.1	7.5	7.1	7.5
Ohio.....	625.5	644.2	628.7	648.7	931.3	950.9	934.4	961.8	75.8	77.7	75.3	77.0
Oklahoma.....	125.6	135.0	126.8	136.0	274.2	282.6	278.4	285.8	24.1	23.6	24.0	23.5
Oregon.....	163.5	162.2	164.5	162.7	305.1	309.8	305.4	311.2	32.0	32.9	32.3	32.8
Pennsylvania.....	556.2	560.5	559.1	565.3	1,073.5	1,078.0	1,076.6	1,086.1	90.6	88.4	90.7	87.8
Rhode Island.....	40.3	40.9	40.4	41.0	71.7	71.2	71.9	71.3	9.8	10.6	10.0	10.5
South Carolina.....	211.5	220.9	213.5	221.5	342.5	347.6	345.0	351.4	25.7	26.8	25.9	26.7
South Dakota.....	37.7	38.9	38.0	38.9	79.3	80.7	79.6	80.7	6.4	6.2	6.4	6.1
Tennessee.....	300.8	304.5	301.8	308.0	550.2	546.9	553.9	551.0	44.1	44.6	44.1	44.0
Texas.....	820.0	843.5	824.3	847.2	2,055.5	2,116.6	2,072.0	2,128.4	194.2	192.9	194.6	195.5
Utah.....	111.5	116.2	111.8	117.0	226.5	231.1	227.8	231.6	29.2	30.3	29.2	30.2
Vermont.....	30.7	30.7	30.3	30.5	55.3	56.1	54.9	55.3	5.3	4.9	5.2	4.9
Virginia.....	227.8	226.8	228.9	228.0	614.5	621.6	616.8	624.3	74.5	73.6	74.6	73.8
Washington.....	259.7	274.3	260.9	275.3	510.0	524.0	512.3	526.1	103.4	102.5	103.1	102.2
West Virginia.....	48.7	48.4	49.2	48.9	132.5	132.3	133.2	131.9	10.4	10.4	10.4	10.3
Wisconsin.....	433.2	439.0	435.2	441.1	495.6	495.4	497.8	494.4	46.6	45.8	46.4	46.0
Wyoming.....	8.7	8.8	8.6	8.8	50.7	52.3	51.0	52.1	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.9
Puerto Rico.....	85.0	82.9	85.1	82.5	172.8	162.9	173.3	160.0	18.2	18.7	18.1	18.5
Virgin Islands.....	2.2	2.1	2.2	2.1	8.5	8.7	8.5	8.7	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8

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ESTABLISHMENT DATA
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

Table 6. Employees on nonfarm payrolls by state and selected industry sector, not seasonally adjusted-Continued
[In thousands]

State	Financial activities				Professional and business services				Education and health services			
	February		March		February		March		February		March	
	2011	2012	2011	2012 ^p	2011	2012	2011	2012 ^p	2011	2012	2011	2012 ^p
Alabama.....	91.5	92.2	91.6	92.8	211.1	214.2	211.9	215.1	214.3	219.5	215.7	218.9
Alaska.....	14.4	14.7	14.5	14.7	26.0	27.1	25.9	27.4	43.9	45.9	44.0	45.9
Arizona.....	165.2	166.6	165.9	168.2	343.4	350.5	345.3	352.1	351.7	361.3	352.6	361.9
Arkansas.....	48.0	47.0	48.2	46.9	116.9	116.3	118.7	115.7	165.3	170.3	166.7	171.4
California.....	760.1	763.7	761.0	766.5	2,095.9	2,177.3	2,104.1	2,184.1	1,829.2	1,877.9	1,838.7	1,898.3
Colorado.....	143.4	142.2	143.5	142.9	328.6	340.4	329.5	342.4	270.0	278.0	271.4	279.0
Connecticut.....	135.2	131.4	135.3	132.0	189.8	190.7	189.6	192.5	313.0	323.5	312.7	321.7
Delaware.....	42.4	42.6	42.3	42.8	54.4	55.0	54.3	54.6	65.6	67.8	66.2	68.0
District of Columbia.....	26.5	26.7	26.6	26.6	147.4	149.4	148.4	150.3	113.6	123.5	114.1	123.1
Florida.....	478.8	485.4	481.4	486.9	1,038.6	1,064.0	1,045.9	1,070.5	1,095.6	1,127.7	1,098.0	1,130.6
Georgia.....	207.8	205.8	207.9	205.4	531.7	559.9	535.5	564.4	497.1	505.5	496.9	504.8
Hawaii.....	26.6	27.5	26.7	27.1	74.3	75.3	75.0	76.1	75.8	75.5	75.9	76.0
Idaho.....	29.2	28.0	29.2	28.2	72.5	73.0	72.9	74.3	86.2	88.2	86.2	89.2
Illinois.....	360.7	362.4	360.5	361.8	798.4	820.4	804.5	834.4	844.0	857.1	848.9	856.4
Indiana.....	130.9	127.0	131.3	128.4	276.2	286.6	282.2	289.6	425.9	431.4	430.2	433.1
Iowa.....	100.4	100.4	100.3	100.8	121.7	118.6	121.5	118.7	218.0	220.6	219.1	220.9
Kansas.....	70.9	71.5	71.0	71.9	144.5	156.1	146.0	157.7	183.2	184.4	183.2	186.1
Kentucky.....	84.4	82.6	84.6	83.5	178.8	197.0	181.0	200.2	252.7	259.9	253.4	260.7
Louisiana.....	94.0	96.7	94.0	97.2	194.7	201.2	194.8	201.6	285.2	301.5	287.0	301.6
Maine.....	31.2	31.1	31.3	31.1	55.2	53.9	55.3	54.8	119.3	123.7	119.6	122.7
Maryland.....	142.0	141.9	142.2	141.5	384.3	398.2	388.7	403.7	404.9	422.4	406.3	423.4
Massachusetts.....	204.6	200.9	204.6	201.4	459.9	468.1	459.9	474.9	676.1	677.0	680.4	679.8
Michigan.....	190.9	194.4	191.5	193.3	533.4	558.2	540.0	560.1	615.1	628.9	618.0	631.0
Minnesota.....	172.9	173.8	172.9	173.9	315.1	329.4	316.9	329.4	466.4	477.4	466.7	480.3
Mississippi.....	44.4	44.5	44.5	44.6	92.8	92.8	94.2	93.3	134.2	138.4	134.4	137.8
Missouri.....	160.1	157.4	160.3	157.2	322.9	330.8	327.7	338.7	413.4	423.2	414.6	423.3
Montana.....	20.7	20.8	20.8	20.8	38.8	40.3	39.3	40.6	64.2	64.9	64.3	65.1
Nebraska.....	69.2	68.1	69.4	67.8	99.7	101.5	100.3	101.5	136.8	138.3	136.9	139.4
Nevada.....	52.1	50.9	52.1	51.0	137.0	137.2	137.4	139.2	103.2	102.9	103.8	103.6
New Hampshire.....	34.2	34.1	34.2	34.1	64.1	65.4	63.9	64.4	113.3	113.5	113.8	113.4
New Jersey.....	248.1	252.4	248.6	252.3	580.8	584.9	586.8	589.1	603.1	628.6	607.0	629.4
New Mexico.....	32.4	32.1	32.4	32.5	101.0	96.3	99.6	96.8	121.0	127.4	121.6	127.4
New York.....	673.3	686.1	674.6	688.6	1,096.8	1,151.5	1,105.2	1,163.4	1,744.4	1,774.3	1,750.8	1,791.3
North Carolina.....	201.8	201.2	202.1	203.2	500.2	508.4	503.6	510.5	544.6	556.6	544.8	556.9
North Dakota.....	20.8	21.6	20.8	21.2	28.1	32.0	28.6	32.7	56.0	58.0	56.0	58.0
Ohio.....	277.5	275.2	277.4	275.7	628.1	635.2	634.3	639.2	849.7	869.2	850.6	867.3
Oklahoma.....	78.5	80.5	79.1	80.6	167.8	172.0	171.0	176.0	202.4	209.2	204.3	209.1
Oregon.....	91.7	91.2	91.4	91.3	182.1	182.1	183.8	182.6	234.6	240.2	235.8	239.5
Pennsylvania.....	306.9	309.3	307.2	311.1	692.7	701.0	699.1	707.1	1,159.1	1,180.4	1,161.3	1,181.3
Rhode Island.....	30.6	30.1	30.6	30.3	51.8	52.5	52.2	51.8	103.9	105.1	104.7	105.5
South Carolina.....	94.9	93.9	95.1	94.9	222.0	227.5	225.1	230.1	216.2	220.0	216.7	219.1
South Dakota.....	28.3	27.8	28.3	27.7	27.6	28.7	27.8	29.5	64.7	66.4	65.0	66.6
Tennessee.....	134.7	134.2	134.7	134.4	311.2	324.3	315.4	323.9	379.9	389.2	380.7	389.9
Texas.....	631.4	645.2	634.3	647.1	1,301.9	1,354.7	1,318.0	1,363.0	1,396.7	1,449.0	1,405.2	1,457.1
Utah.....	67.6	70.5	67.7	70.6	153.2	159.4	155.0	160.6	158.8	163.6	159.0	163.0
Vermont.....	12.0	11.8	12.0	12.0	23.2	25.2	23.4	25.2	59.6	61.2	59.8	61.0
Virginia.....	178.6	186.1	179.0	187.5	655.3	657.3	659.5	658.8	464.2	478.9	465.9	482.6
Washington.....	136.6	134.6	136.7	135.9	329.4	335.8	331.9	337.7	380.9	392.5	382.6	392.2
West Virginia.....	27.6	26.7	27.6	27.1	61.1	62.8	61.6	63.9	121.5	125.0	122.3	125.9
Wisconsin.....	157.9	154.6	158.3	154.6	274.7	274.3	277.6	273.0	407.5	416.1	408.4	416.0
Wyoming.....	10.6	10.6	10.6	10.6	16.4	17.0	16.6	17.2	26.8	26.7	27.0	26.3
Puerto Rico.....	43.7	43.7	43.7	43.5	105.2	105.9	106.0	103.9	114.4	116.3	116.2	117.4
Virgin Islands.....	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.4	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.7	2.8	2.6	2.7	2.6

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ESTABLISHMENT DATA
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

Table 6. Employees on nonfarm payrolls by state and selected industry sector, not seasonally adjusted-Continued
[In thousands]

State	Leisure and hospitality				Other services				Government			
	February		March		February		March		February		March	
	2011	2012	2011	2012 ^p	2011	2012	2011	2012 ^p	2011	2012	2011	2012 ^p
Alabama.....	162.3	167.1	166.5	171.8	78.9	80.5	79.2	81.5	386.7	375.1	387.8	377.2
Alaska.....	28.0	28.3	28.6	28.8	11.1	10.7	11.2	10.9	85.8	85.5	85.5	85.9
Arizona.....	256.5	266.0	263.0	273.7	89.0	88.1	89.2	88.8	422.7	425.9	422.0	426.5
Arkansas.....	94.0	97.6	97.3	102.5	42.6	43.8	43.2	44.0	219.5	224.1	221.2	224.6
California.....	1,491.1	1,516.1	1,506.6	1,540.4	485.3	479.5	486.5	482.9	2,445.6	2,404.2	2,469.2	2,424.9
Colorado.....	264.1	275.8	269.4	280.4	91.7	94.8	92.5	94.8	395.9	395.8	398.4	398.9
Connecticut.....	125.7	128.6	127.2	130.6	59.4	59.3	59.5	59.5	245.1	241.0	245.1	240.5
Delaware.....	39.2	38.0	40.4	39.4	19.5	19.2	19.5	19.3	63.7	64.4	64.9	65.8
District of Columbia.....	58.5	61.7	60.1	63.2	66.1	68.6	66.6	69.0	246.4	242.5	246.8	243.5
Florida.....	946.5	967.4	973.0	990.0	306.9	305.9	309.1	309.0	1,124.3	1,113.4	1,122.7	1,113.7
Georgia.....	366.0	367.6	375.2	376.4	152.8	151.4	152.8	150.3	674.9	673.7	676.9	676.3
Hawaii.....	101.9	106.8	102.9	108.2	25.8	25.3	25.7	25.3	126.9	126.3	127.7	127.1
Idaho.....	55.2	57.3	55.7	58.8	20.6	21.0	20.5	21.5	118.7	116.4	119.2	117.2
Illinois.....	487.5	495.3	500.0	509.1	245.5	244.2	247.4	243.7	850.2	840.4	851.1	841.2
Indiana.....	261.1	270.2	268.7	277.9	107.5	108.2	109.1	108.1	437.2	435.6	438.9	434.0
Iowa.....	122.2	123.1	124.9	125.3	56.1	57.0	56.4	57.8	255.5	252.8	256.5	252.6
Kansas.....	108.5	111.8	111.4	115.0	51.5	52.5	51.6	52.2	263.4	260.4	265.2	262.6
Kentucky.....	158.8	166.2	164.2	172.8	69.5	69.8	70.2	70.3	333.1	329.9	334.7	331.5
Louisiana.....	195.0	200.9	198.9	204.5	63.4	62.1	63.7	63.8	361.8	363.8	361.8	363.7
Maine.....	49.5	49.0	50.3	50.3	19.3	19.2	19.4	19.1	105.3	104.1	105.6	104.3
Maryland.....	212.1	218.3	220.4	227.0	112.9	115.3	113.5	115.8	508.2	514.0	514.1	516.7
Massachusetts.....	282.8	285.1	288.7	290.3	115.8	118.9	117.5	119.6	445.3	440.3	445.7	441.2
Michigan.....	350.7	350.6	357.9	358.1	164.3	165.9	165.5	168.3	636.2	627.8	638.3	628.7
Minnesota.....	220.4	210.0	223.8	214.3	113.0	116.3	113.6	117.4	421.3	415.9	421.0	414.2
Mississippi.....	115.4	113.0	118.1	115.6	33.6	33.8	33.8	34.2	247.5	248.7	248.3	249.2
Missouri.....	248.2	249.1	260.1	255.0	110.8	110.4	112.1	112.1	447.8	441.2	450.1	444.9
Montana.....	52.1	51.5	53.3	52.6	16.5	16.0	16.7	16.1	89.2	85.3	89.8	86.1
Nebraska.....	76.8	76.6	79.0	79.7	36.3	36.6	36.7	36.2	169.5	170.4	169.8	170.7
Nevada.....	307.6	320.5	312.4	323.8	31.8	33.4	32.0	33.8	154.6	148.6	154.4	148.8
New Hampshire.....	58.1	59.6	58.0	59.6	22.2	22.6	22.5	22.8	96.9	95.8	97.2	96.4
New Jersey.....	305.2	312.6	311.7	316.6	158.0	165.1	159.3	165.8	628.8	631.1	631.0	635.3
New Mexico.....	82.0	83.5	83.5	85.7	27.2	27.4	27.4	27.2	198.4	197.4	199.9	198.8
New York.....	709.8	735.9	719.9	745.3	365.3	364.7	367.1	367.0	1,497.5	1,495.9	1,500.1	1,498.9
North Carolina.....	375.0	381.3	385.9	391.7	153.8	154.1	154.6	154.7	714.6	717.0	719.1	721.6
North Dakota.....	33.5	34.4	34.2	35.5	15.4	15.9	15.6	15.7	81.4	80.7	81.5	80.9
Ohio.....	444.6	445.3	455.6	451.5	207.3	211.2	208.2	211.7	779.4	774.9	781.9	779.0
Oklahoma.....	134.5	138.4	140.4	140.8	59.4	59.3	60.1	60.1	337.7	342.7	339.7	344.1
Oregon.....	158.3	159.8	159.9	162.1	56.3	57.5	56.5	58.5	303.6	297.4	303.8	298.0
Pennsylvania.....	471.0	478.9	484.1	493.2	248.5	251.5	250.2	252.5	768.5	753.0	770.0	753.2
Rhode Island.....	44.6	43.3	45.0	44.7	21.7	20.3	21.7	20.7	61.4	61.0	61.8	60.8
South Carolina.....	195.0	199.3	203.7	207.7	67.9	69.2	68.6	69.3	343.6	344.9	344.8	346.3
South Dakota.....	39.2	37.1	39.8	37.7	15.3	15.7	15.4	15.0	79.0	78.1	79.1	78.8
Tennessee.....	251.5	253.7	259.0	263.0	100.4	99.7	101.2	100.7	436.5	445.9	437.6	447.4
Texas.....	996.8	1,048.5	1,028.7	1,076.9	359.2	376.1	363.0	376.0	1,864.7	1,807.1	1,865.1	1,810.3
Utah.....	111.2	111.4	113.0	112.2	33.3	33.9	33.4	34.1	221.2	221.9	222.7	224.0
Vermont.....	35.2	35.7	34.5	35.1	9.7	9.5	9.7	9.6	56.4	55.0	56.4	55.4
Virginia.....	323.5	328.7	333.0	342.8	184.0	184.2	185.2	185.7	715.9	721.5	719.3	724.7
Washington.....	257.0	265.5	259.5	269.2	106.0	103.8	106.3	104.7	553.1	542.4	553.4	544.9
West Virginia.....	69.0	71.6	70.8	72.5	54.3	54.3	54.6	54.3	151.0	154.8	153.5	156.2
Wisconsin.....	232.4	226.6	235.0	232.0	135.1	133.6	136.1	134.4	426.6	408.1	428.1	410.2
Wyoming.....	29.8	28.9	30.2	28.9	11.4	12.1	11.5	12.4	73.4	73.9	74.1	74.6
Puerto Rico.....	71.0	72.2	71.0	72.4	17.7	19.0	17.8	19.1	258.0	265.7	258.5	266.7
Virgin Islands.....	7.6	7.6	7.7	7.6	2.4	1.9	2.5	1.9	12.7	11.8	12.8	11.7

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Chart 1. Unemployment rates by state, seasonally adjusted March 2012

(U.S. rate = 8.2 percent)



Chart 2. Percentage change in nonfarm employment by state, seasonally adjusted, March 2011 – March 2012

