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REGIONAL AND STATE EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT: AUGUST 2005

Regional and state unemployment rates were generally little changed in August. Overall, 30 states and the District of Columbia registered over-the-month unemployment rate decreases, 17 states had increases, and 3 states had no change, the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor reported today. Only six of the rate decreases and none of the increases exceeded 0.3 percentage point. Over the year, jobless rates were lower in 34 states and the District of Columbia, higher in 14 states, and unchanged in 2 states. In August, the national unemployment rate, at 4.9 percent, was little changed from July, but down by 0.5 percentage point over the year.

Nonfarm payroll employment increased in 33 states and the District of Columbia in August and decreased in 17 states. California experienced the largest employment gain (+17,200), followed by Georgia and Missouri (+15,500 each), Arizona (+9,400), Florida (+8,600), and Michigan (+8,300). Missouri posted the largest over-the-month percentage increase in employment (+0.6 percent), followed by Arizona, Georgia, Hawaii, New Hampshire, South Carolina, and South Dakota (+0.4 percent each) and Maine and Oregon (+0.3 percent each). The largest employment decreases occurred in Maryland (-9,200), Indiana (-8,800), Massachusetts (-5,100), North Carolina (-4,800), Ohio (-4,000), and Iowa (-2,500). The largest over-the-month percentage losses in employment were reported in Maryland (-0.4 percent), Indiana (-0.3 percent), and Alaska, Iowa, Massachusetts, Montana, and West Virginia (-0.2 percent each).

Regional Unemployment (Seasonally Adjusted)

In August, the Northeast and South again recorded the lowest unemployment rates, 4.7 and 4.8 percent, respectively. The Midwest continued to report the highest jobless rate, 5.3 percent, while the unemployment rate in the West was 5.1 percent. No region posted a statistically significant change in its unemployment rate from July. In contrast, all four regions registered significant unemployment rates decreases over the year: the West (-0.6 percentage point), Midwest and Northeast (-0.5 point each), and South (-0.4 point). (See table 1.)

Hurricane Katrina

Hurricane Katrina struck Florida and the Gulf Coast after the August survey reference period, and therefore did not affect the August employment and unemployment estimates presented in this release.

Among the nine geographic divisions, the lowest unemployment rates in August were reported in the West North Central, 4.2 percent, and South Atlantic, 4.5 percent. The highest jobless rate continued to be posted in the East North Central, 5.8 percent. The Mountain division was the only one to register a statistically significant unemployment rate change (-0.3 percentage point) from July. From August 2004, the largest declines were experienced by the West North Central (-0.9 percentage point), Pacific (-0.8 point), Middle Atlantic (-0.7 point), and West South Central (-0.6 point) divisions. The Mountain and South Atlantic divisions also reported statistically significant over-the-year rate decreases. No division had a jobless rate increase over the year.

State Unemployment (Seasonally Adjusted)

In August, Hawaii again reported the lowest state unemployment rate, 2.6 percent. The next lowest rates were recorded in North Dakota, 3.4 percent, and New Hampshire and Vermont, 3.5 percent each. Seven other states registered unemployment rates below 4.0 percent. Two states reported the lowest unemployment rates in their series in August—Florida, 3.6 percent, and Idaho, 3.8 percent. (All state series begin in 1976.) Mississippi posted the highest state jobless rate, 6.8 percent, followed closely by Michigan and Oregon, 6.7 percent each, and Alaska, 6.6 percent. Overall, 17 states had unemployment rates that were significantly below the U.S. rate in August, 8 states and the District of Columbia recorded measurably higher rates, and 25 states had rates that statistically were little different from that of the nation. (See tables A and 3 and chart 1.)

Eight states registered over-the-month jobless rate decreases that were statistically significant in August. Missouri reported the largest decrease (-1.0 percentage point), followed by New Mexico (-0.7 point) and Kentucky and Massachusetts (-0.5 point each). No state had a significant unemployment rate increase from July. Forty-two states and the District of Columbia reported jobless rates in August that were not appreciably different from those of a month earlier.

Over the year, Alabama experienced the largest unemployment rate decrease in August (-1.8 percentage points), followed by Missouri (-1.3 points) and Florida (-1.0 point). Eighteen additional states recorded statistically significant over-the-year jobless rate declines. The District of Columbia also reported a measurable jobless rate decrease from a year ago (-2.0 percentage points). Three states posted statistically significant unemployment rate increases from August 2004: Connecticut (+0.6 percentage point) and Georgia and South Dakota (+0.3 point each). (See table B.) Twenty-six states recorded jobless rates that were not appreciably different from those of August 2004, even though in some cases the changes were as large numerically as in states that recorded statistically significant changes.

Nonfarm Payroll Employment (Seasonally Adjusted)

Between July and August, the measured changes in employment were statistically significant in three states. All registered gains in employment: Missouri (+15,500), Arizona (+9,400), and Hawaii (+2,300). (See tables C and 5.)

Over the year, the measured changes in employment were statistically significant in 33 states and the District of Columbia. All had gains in employment except for Michigan, which reported a loss of 48,700 jobs. The largest gains were registered in Florida (+252,600), California (+223,300), Texas (+127,800), and Arizona (+98,800). Four states and the District of Columbia experienced statistically significant

employment gains that were less than 15,000: New Hampshire (+14,300), the District of Columbia (+11,300), Montana (+9,900), Delaware (+8,300), and Wyoming (+7,200). (See table D.)

The Metropolitan Area Employment and Unemployment release for August is scheduled to be issued on September 28. The Regional and State Employment and Unemployment release for September is scheduled to be issued on October 21.

Use of Error Measures in the Regional and State News Release

With the release of data for January 2005, the Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS) program introduced several improvements to its methodology. Among these was the development of model-based error measures for the monthly estimates and the estimates of over-the-month changes. These error measures allow data users and the Bureau of Labor Statistics to consider statistical significance when analyzing and describing the LAUS data. Error measures for the nonfarm payroll employment data had been available prior to January 2005, although they were not used in the analysis of those data in this release.

The introductory section of this release preserves the long-time practice of highlighting the direction of the movements in state unemployment rates and state nonfarm payroll employment regardless of their statistical significance. The remainder of the analysis in the release takes the statistical significance of monthly and annual changes into consideration.

Table A. States with unemployment rates significantly different from that of the U.S., August 2005, seasonally adjusted

State	August 2005 ^p
United States	4.9
Alabama	3.8
Alaska	6.6
Delaware	4.0
District of Columbia	6.4
Florida	3.6
Hawaii	2.6
Idaho	3.8
Illinois	5.8
Iowa	4.3
Maryland	4.4
Michigan	6.7
Minnesota	3.7
Mississippi.....	6.8
Nebraska	3.9
Nevada	4.1
New Hampshire	3.5
New Jersey	4.2
North Dakota	3.4
Ohio	5.9
Oregon.....	6.7
South Carolina	6.2
South Dakota	3.8
Vermont	3.5
Virginia	3.7
Washington	5.8
Wyoming.....	4.0

p = preliminary.

Table B. States with statistically significant unemployment rate changes from August 2004 to August 2005, seasonally adjusted

State	August 2004	August 2005 ^p	Over-the-year rate change ^p
Alabama	5.6	3.8	-1.8
Alaska	7.5	6.6	-.9
Arkansas	5.7	5.1	-.6
California	6.1	5.2	-.9
Colorado	5.5	5.0	-.5
Connecticut	4.8	5.4	.6
District of Columbia	8.4	6.4	-2.0
Florida	4.6	3.6	-1.0
Georgia	4.8	5.1	.3
Hawaii	3.1	2.6	-.5
Idaho	4.7	3.8	-.9
Iowa	4.9	4.3	-.6
Kansas	5.4	5.1	-.3
Massachusetts	5.0	4.2	-.8
Minnesota	4.6	3.7	-.9
Missouri	^c 5.9	^c 4.6	-1.3
Nevada	4.2	4.1	-.1
New Jersey	4.8	4.2	-.6
New York	5.6	4.7	-.9
Oregon	7.5	6.7	-.8
Pennsylvania	5.6	5.0	-.6
South Carolina	6.9	6.2	-.7
South Dakota	3.5	3.8	.3
Texas	6.0	5.1	-.9
Utah	5.2	4.4	-.8

p = preliminary.

c = corrected.

Table C. States with statistically significant employment changes from July 2005 to August 2005, seasonally adjusted

State	July 2005	August 2005 ^p	Over-the-month change ^p
Arizona	2,478,000	2,487,400	9,400
Hawaii	600,300	602,600	2,300
Missouri	2,729,400	2,744,900	15,500

p = preliminary.

Table D. States with statistically significant employment changes from August 2004 to August 2005, seasonally adjusted

State	August 2004	August 2005 ^p	Over-the-year change ^p
Alabama	1,908,200	1,934,000	25,800
Arizona	2,388,600	2,487,400	98,800
California	14,585,500	14,808,800	223,300
Colorado	2,180,200	2,233,100	52,900
Connecticut	1,652,100	1,671,800	19,700
Delaware	424,600	432,900	8,300
District of Columbia ...	672,000	683,300	11,300
Florida	7,527,200	7,779,800	252,600
Hawaii	584,400	602,600	18,200
Idaho	589,600	613,500	23,900
Illinois	5,809,500	5,867,100	57,600
Iowa	1,457,300	1,476,500	19,200
Kentucky	1,796,700	1,820,700	24,000
Maryland	2,524,800	2,569,500	44,700
Massachusetts	3,179,700	3,209,200	29,500
Michigan	4,399,200	4,350,500	-48,700
Minnesota	2,686,600	2,727,100	40,500
Missouri	2,692,300	2,744,900	52,600
Montana	412,100	422,000	9,900
Nevada	1,158,800	1,231,100	72,300
New Hampshire	628,800	643,100	14,300
New Jersey	4,008,600	4,057,400	48,800
New Mexico	791,200	807,000	15,800
New York	8,454,000	8,534,600	80,600
North Carolina	3,856,500	3,892,200	35,700
Oklahoma	1,471,300	1,498,900	27,600
Oregon	1,600,800	1,655,900	55,100
Pennsylvania	5,640,600	5,711,600	71,000
Tennessee	2,697,100	2,724,200	27,100
Texas	9,492,300	9,620,100	127,800
Utah	1,108,100	1,147,700	39,600
Virginia	3,594,400	3,649,100	54,700
Washington	2,701,300	2,774,700	73,400
Wyoming	254,800	262,000	7,200

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 1-4). Also presented are nonfarm payroll employment estimates by state and major industry 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 labor force includes both the employed and the unemployed. 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 have 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 did not work at all (in the reference week), have actively looked for a job (sometime in the 4-week period ending with the reference week), and are currently available for work; persons on layoff expecting recall need not be looking for work to be counted as unemployed.

Method of estimation. Estimates for all census divisions, states, the District of Columbia, the Los Angeles-Long Beach-Glendale metropolitan division, and New York City 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) data. Estimates for the six other areas contained in this release use a different regression approach. A detailed description of the estimation procedures is available from BLS upon request. Estimates for census regions are obtained by summing the model-based estimates for the component divisions and then calculating the unemployment rate.

Annual revisions. Labor force and unemployment data shown for the prior year reflect adjustments made at the end of each year, usually implemented with January estimates. The adjusted estimates reflect updated population data from the U.S. Census Bureau, any revisions in the other data sources, and model reestimation.

Seasonal adjustment. Seasonal adjustment of census division, state, and substate area model employment and unemployment levels is performed within the modeling

procedure. The model estimation is based on the classical approach to seasonal adjustment, in which the series is decomposed into trend, seasonal, irregular, and survey error. This directly yields seasonally adjusted estimates for employment and unemployment levels with reliability measures. Labor force levels and unemployment rates are calculated from these two estimates. Additionally, measures for the state of California are derived by summing the seasonally adjusted estimates for the Los Angeles-Long Beach-Glendale metropolitan division and the balance of California, and the estimates for the State of New York are the sum of the estimates for New York City and the balance of New York. Labor force estimates for census regions are calculated as the sum of the levels of the component divisions, and the unemployment rate is then calculated. In most years, historical data for the most recent 5 years are revised near the beginning of each calendar year, usually coincident with the release of January estimates.

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 February 18, 2004. A detailed list of the geographic definitions is available on the Web at <http://www.bls.gov/lau/laumsa.htm> and also is published annually in the May issue of *Employment and Earnings*.

Employment—from the CES program

Definitions. Employment data refer to persons on establishment payrolls who receive pay for any part of the pay period which 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 2002 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.

Annual revisions. Employment estimates are adjusted annually to a complete count of jobs, called benchmarks, derived principally from tax reports which 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 survey, 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. With respect to the LAUS program, unemployment rates are computed from unrounded data rather than from data that may be displayed in the tables; differences, however, are generally insignificant.

Labor force and unemployment estimates. Model-based error measures for both seasonally adjusted and not seasonally adjusted data, and for over-the-month change, are available on the BLS Web site at <http://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 over-the-month change in a state unemployment rate that is required in order to be statistically significant at the 90-percent confidence level is slightly more than +/- 0.3 percentage 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 the BLS monthly periodical, *Employment and Earnings*.

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 on the BLS Web site at <http://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 BLS Web site at <http://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*, which is available by subscription from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, DC 20402 (telephone 202-512-1800), and from the BLS Handbook of Methods, Bulletin 2490, August 1997.

Estimates of labor force and unemployment, as well as nonfarm employment from the CES program, for over 370 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 all states, metropolitan areas, labor market areas, counties, cities with a population of 25,000 or more, and other areas used in the administration of various federal economic assistance programs are available on the BLS Web site at <http://www.bls.gov/lau/>. Employment data from the CES program are available at <http://www.bls.gov/sae/>.

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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			
	August 2004	June 2005	July 2005	August 2005	August 2004	June 2005	July 2005	August 2005	August 2004	June 2005	July 2005	August 2005
Northeast	27,573.5	27,599.5	27,695.0	27,660.4	1,441.5	1,296.2	1,345.3	1,290.4	5.2	4.7	4.9	4.7
New England	7,526.0	7,529.0	7,547.4	7,555.1	359.1	349.3	358.7	344.4	4.8	4.6	4.8	4.6
Middle Atlantic	20,047.5	20,070.6	20,147.6	20,105.3	1,082.4	947.0	986.6	946.1	5.4	4.7	4.9	4.7
South	51,819.3	52,533.3	52,673.9	52,865.1	2,695.9	2,574.8	2,556.6	2,526.2	5.2	4.9	4.9	4.8
South Atlantic	27,336.4	27,862.1	27,964.9	28,051.2	1,312.9	1,281.5	1,292.1	1,255.4	4.8	4.6	4.6	4.5
East South Central	8,365.7	8,341.4	8,336.4	8,375.2	463.3	481.6	447.1	434.3	5.5	5.8	5.4	5.2
West South Central	16,117.2	16,329.8	16,372.6	16,438.8	919.8	811.8	817.4	836.4	5.7	5.0	5.0	5.1
Midwest	34,488.2	34,493.2	34,485.5	34,532.2	1,989.5	1,887.1	1,886.0	1,834.7	5.8	5.5	5.5	5.3
East North Central	23,616.2	23,650.7	23,624.1	23,718.0	1,435.8	1,395.5	1,392.3	1,375.8	6.1	5.9	5.9	5.8
West North Central	10,872.0	10,842.5	10,861.3	10,814.2	553.7	491.6	493.7	458.8	5.1	4.5	4.5	4.2
West	33,682.5	34,188.5	34,206.1	34,336.1	1,930.9	1,760.2	1,772.1	1,750.7	5.7	5.1	5.2	5.1
Mountain	10,082.2	10,279.5	10,273.0	10,283.7	499.2	474.4	501.3	472.7	5.0	4.6	4.9	4.6
Pacific	23,600.3	23,909.1	23,933.0	24,052.4	1,431.7	1,285.7	1,270.8	1,278.0	6.1	5.4	5.3	5.3

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.

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			
	July		August		July		August		July		August	
	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005
Northeast	28,027.2	28,212.8	27,830.7	28,002.2	1,538.3	1,401.3	1,394.5	1,250.7	5.5	5.0	5.0	4.5
New England	7,657.1	7,688.2	7,614.6	7,668.0	380.7	368.5	347.0	333.8	5.0	4.8	4.6	4.4
Middle Atlantic	20,370.1	20,524.5	20,216.1	20,334.1	1,157.6	1,032.8	1,047.5	916.8	5.7	5.0	5.2	4.5
South	52,328.4	53,343.2	51,918.2	53,133.4	2,874.5	2,685.6	2,742.3	2,585.5	5.5	5.0	5.3	4.9
South Atlantic	27,609.9	28,331.6	27,425.4	28,229.5	1,396.8	1,353.0	1,348.2	1,296.6	5.1	4.8	4.9	4.6
East South Central	8,463.5	8,454.2	8,373.3	8,410.7	483.9	465.8	470.3	442.1	5.7	5.5	5.6	5.3
West South Central	16,255.1	16,557.4	16,119.5	16,493.1	993.8	866.8	923.7	846.8	6.1	5.2	5.7	5.1
Midwest	34,963.6	35,048.7	34,636.5	34,783.0	2,071.1	1,936.6	1,906.2	1,758.7	5.9	5.5	5.5	5.1
East North Central	23,961.6	24,013.7	23,733.5	23,909.2	1,518.7	1,442.8	1,375.4	1,323.4	6.3	6.0	5.8	5.5
West North Central	11,002.0	11,035.0	10,903.1	10,873.8	552.4	493.8	530.8	435.3	5.0	4.5	4.9	4.0
West	33,899.6	34,516.9	33,781.8	34,550.7	2,032.2	1,815.1	1,896.9	1,732.6	6.0	5.3	5.6	5.0
Mountain	10,139.3	10,368.2	10,117.2	10,348.2	513.5	506.1	494.0	469.1	5.1	4.9	4.9	4.5
Pacific	23,760.4	24,148.7	23,664.6	24,202.5	1,518.8	1,309.0	1,402.9	1,263.5	6.4	5.4	5.9	5.2

¹ Census region estimates are derived by summing the Census division model-based estimates. The composition of the regions and

divisions is described in table 1.

NOTE: Data refer to place of residence.

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

(Numbers in thousands)

State and area	Civilian labor force				Unemployed							
					Number				Percent of labor force			
	August 2004	June 2005	July 2005	August 2005P	August 2004	June 2005	July 2005	August 2005P	August 2004	June 2005	July 2005	August 2005P
Alabama	2,152.3	2,131.5	2,130.8	2,144.4	120.1	94.6	85.3	81.9	5.6	4.4	4.0	3.8
Alaska	332.9	340.4	340.7	341.4	24.8	21.6	22.3	22.5	7.5	6.3	6.5	6.6
Arizona	2,782.7	2,821.9	2,828.2	2,837.6	136.1	124.3	137.7	129.8	4.9	4.4	4.9	4.6
Arkansas	1,311.3	1,343.5	1,353.9	1,354.2	74.3	65.0	65.7	68.4	5.7	4.8	4.9	5.1
California	17,572.3	17,811.2	17,800.1	17,886.9	1,067.0	965.9	917.7	930.3	6.1	5.4	5.2	5.2
Los Angeles-Long Beach-Glendale ¹	4,803.1	4,900.4	4,872.4	4,873.3	306.1	273.8	250.9	231.1	6.4	5.6	5.1	4.7
Colorado	2,529.5	2,549.4	2,535.6	2,532.5	138.9	126.7	133.3	127.1	5.5	5.0	5.3	5.0
Connecticut	1,797.0	1,800.5	1,802.0	1,813.8	86.5	92.0	92.7	97.3	4.8	5.1	5.1	5.4
Delaware	423.2	431.5	433.7	435.5	17.4	17.7	17.9	17.4	4.1	4.1	4.1	4.0
District of Columbia	298.2	298.4	299.4	299.8	25.0	22.3	20.2	19.1	8.4	7.5	6.7	6.4
Florida	8,412.3	8,643.8	8,677.6	8,700.9	390.8	343.0	336.9	310.4	4.6	4.0	3.9	3.6
Miami-Miami Beach-Kendall ¹	1,109.7	1,137.4	1,143.6	1,140.9	61.1	50.2	55.3	49.6	5.5	4.4	4.8	4.4
Georgia	4,404.9	4,481.2	4,503.7	4,515.1	209.5	235.2	237.7	230.3	4.8	5.2	5.3	5.1
Hawaii	616.6	630.3	634.2	636.5	19.2	16.9	17.2	16.8	3.1	2.7	2.7	2.6
Idaho	705.6	734.6	736.9	735.8	32.9	29.0	30.7	27.7	4.7	3.9	4.2	3.8
Illinois	6,401.2	6,442.9	6,430.8	6,472.8	394.3	387.2	386.6	372.7	6.2	6.0	6.0	5.8
Chicago-Naperville-Joliet ¹	3,990.1	3,992.7	3,977.7	3,991.4	245.2	259.0	259.9	241.8	6.1	6.5	6.5	6.1
Indiana	3,168.5	3,187.4	3,188.0	3,196.6	165.2	163.3	171.9	171.0	5.2	5.1	5.4	5.4
Iowa	1,624.9	1,638.3	1,650.7	1,645.8	79.4	75.5	75.4	70.6	4.9	4.6	4.6	4.3
Kansas	1,465.9	1,463.1	1,468.7	1,460.8	79.8	75.7	77.4	74.1	5.4	5.2	5.3	5.1
Kentucky	1,972.1	1,989.1	1,996.0	1,991.8	101.1	114.3	118.6	106.8	5.1	5.7	5.9	5.4
Louisiana	2,054.8	2,113.4	2,102.1	2,121.2	112.2	114.9	116.8	122.6	5.5	5.4	5.6	5.8
New Orleans-Metairie-Kenner ²	613.1	621.0	627.5	637.7	27.1	31.1	30.7	34.9	4.4	5.0	4.9	5.5
Maine	701.2	707.0	710.4	712.4	32.6	33.0	35.2	35.5	4.7	4.7	4.9	5.0
Maryland	2,884.2	2,932.1	2,930.4	2,951.7	124.8	124.6	127.5	130.3	4.3	4.2	4.3	4.4
Massachusetts	3,391.4	3,367.4	3,376.8	3,365.4	168.9	158.2	159.3	142.5	5.0	4.7	4.7	4.2
Michigan	5,078.5	5,087.1	5,099.5	5,105.5	359.2	345.1	356.5	344.5	7.1	6.8	7.0	6.7
Detroit-Warren-Livonia ²	2,208.6	2,196.4	2,193.3	2,220.3	161.0	162.1	162.1	160.0	7.3	7.4	7.4	7.2
Minnesota	2,956.5	2,957.1	2,948.1	2,942.9	137.4	110.2	106.4	109.0	4.6	3.7	3.6	3.7
Mississippi	1,333.0	1,343.6	1,340.3	1,347.2	86.7	94.9	86.7	92.1	6.5	7.1	6.5	6.8
Missouri	3,036.6	3,017.3	3,026.7	3,007.7	178.2	162.2	169.3	138.1	5.9	5.4	5.6	4.6
Montana	483.9	492.9	491.2	492.4	21.3	21.7	21.4	22.0	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.5
Nebraska	987.2	982.0	984.5	978.7	37.5	37.2	39.5	38.4	3.8	3.8	4.0	3.9
Nevada	1,180.1	1,216.1	1,213.9	1,221.3	50.1	48.2	50.4	49.6	4.2	4.0	4.2	4.1
New Hampshire	723.8	733.7	734.8	740.2	26.4	26.0	26.3	26.1	3.7	3.5	3.6	3.5
New Jersey	4,395.7	4,415.3	4,434.8	4,441.8	208.8	177.7	181.3	187.0	4.8	4.0	4.1	4.2
New Mexico	912.6	939.8	940.0	938.3	51.6	53.9	56.2	49.8	5.7	5.7	6.0	5.3
New York	9,361.1	9,366.7	9,396.3	9,362.4	527.6	459.2	477.7	443.5	5.6	4.9	5.1	4.7
New York City	3,718.9	3,706.2	3,717.6	3,698.7	252.5	203.0	210.4	189.8	6.8	5.5	5.7	5.1
North Carolina	4,267.7	4,308.5	4,342.0	4,338.4	229.9	229.8	246.4	242.8	5.4	5.3	5.7	5.6
North Dakota	354.8	354.2	354.0	354.1	12.2	12.2	12.4	11.9	3.4	3.4	3.5	3.4
Ohio	5,888.9	5,898.8	5,881.3	5,912.8	363.1	362.9	337.1	350.8	6.2	6.2	5.7	5.9
Cleveland-Elyria-Mentor ²	1,097.6	1,096.3	1,089.2	1,077.3	64.4	65.1	63.3	61.5	5.9	5.9	5.8	5.7
Oklahoma	1,708.3	1,721.9	1,723.6	1,736.4	78.4	74.8	75.2	75.9	4.6	4.3	4.4	4.4
Oregon	1,857.8	1,864.1	1,866.6	1,868.0	138.8	121.1	122.9	124.6	7.5	6.5	6.6	6.7
Pennsylvania	6,282.8	6,286.7	6,312.9	6,289.4	352.9	313.9	325.1	312.5	5.6	5.0	5.1	5.0
Rhode Island	561.9	569.0	570.8	573.7	28.6	27.3	29.2	29.5	5.1	4.8	5.1	5.2
South Carolina	2,051.3	2,062.0	2,066.1	2,071.9	141.3	129.9	125.6	129.3	6.9	6.3	6.1	6.2
South Dakota	428.5	429.1	430.5	429.5	15.0	16.3	17.0	16.4	3.5	3.8	3.9	3.8
Tennessee	2,892.4	2,878.4	2,871.1	2,891.9	154.9	173.3	156.7	153.8	5.4	6.0	5.5	5.3
Texas	11,052.4	11,165.7	11,187.9	11,222.6	666.8	571.2	563.6	569.1	6.0	5.1	5.0	5.1
Utah	1,206.0	1,236.3	1,240.1	1,242.9	63.0	57.2	57.7	55.2	5.2	4.6	4.7	4.4
Vermont	353.5	351.9	352.2	352.5	12.7	12.1	12.7	12.2	3.6	3.4	3.6	3.5
Virginia	3,823.4	3,911.2	3,918.1	3,933.0	142.6	143.2	136.5	144.6	3.7	3.7	3.5	3.7
Washington	3,235.2	3,281.6	3,284.5	3,311.7	196.4	180.9	185.2	192.2	6.1	5.5	5.6	5.8
Seattle-Bellevue-Everett ¹	1,333.3	1,346.1	1,354.5	1,368.6	67.8	63.2	65.2	65.6	5.1	4.7	4.8	4.8
West Virginia	789.0	788.9	793.8	796.8	42.5	37.8	44.1	43.8	5.4	4.8	5.6	5.5
Wisconsin	3,071.6	3,038.2	3,031.4	3,028.3	149.2	139.3	143.2	139.0	4.9	4.6	4.7	4.6
Wyoming	283.1	286.1	286.8	285.0	11.6	10.7	11.8	11.4	4.1	3.7	4.1	4.0
Puerto Rico	1,383.0	1,426.9	1,422.8	1,431.0	145.3	163.9	168.3	151.5	10.5	11.5	11.8	10.6

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² Metropolitan statistical area.

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04-03, dated February 18, 2004, and are available at <http://www.bls.gov/lau/lausmsa.htm> and in the May issue of *Employment and Earnings*. Estimates for the latest month are revised the following month, and at least 3 years of estimates are subject to revision at the end of the year, to incorporate updated inputs and reestimation.

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			
	July		August		July		August		July		August	
	2004	2005	2004	2005P	2004	2005	2004	2005P	2004	2005	2004	2005P
Alabama	2,168.4	2,153.0	2,159.7	2,155.1	126.8	92.1	129.2	90.5	5.8	4.3	6.0	4.2
Alaska	341.5	351.0	337.7	347.5	22.5	20.3	21.9	19.8	6.6	5.8	6.5	5.7
Arizona	2,781.9	2,839.3	2,779.0	2,842.5	145.7	146.2	142.1	138.0	5.2	5.1	5.1	4.9
Arkansas	1,327.4	1,379.4	1,315.0	1,363.0	80.6	71.5	69.8	65.7	6.1	5.2	5.3	4.8
California	17,667.7	17,946.1	17,613.2	18,008.3	1,153.0	974.0	1,044.7	923.6	6.5	5.4	5.9	5.1
Los Angeles-Long Beach-Glendale ¹	4,833.7	4,906.2	4,804.3	4,893.0	345.0	280.1	316.9	244.0	7.1	5.7	6.6	5.0
Colorado	2,546.9	2,564.6	2,547.2	2,556.7	137.1	132.6	131.7	122.1	5.4	5.2	5.2	4.8
Connecticut	1,836.8	1,844.4	1,818.5	1,840.7	97.2	100.5	86.7	97.5	5.3	5.4	4.8	5.3
Delaware	427.2	439.4	424.9	439.1	18.5	19.0	18.2	18.3	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.2
District of Columbia	307.3	308.4	300.6	303.5	28.5	19.9	24.4	18.5	9.3	6.5	8.1	6.1
Florida	8,466.2	8,758.1	8,436.4	8,759.1	420.7	356.8	415.6	333.8	5.0	4.1	4.9	3.8
Miami-Miami Beach-Kendall ¹	1,118.6	1,155.0	1,115.2	1,154.2	65.0	58.0	63.1	53.4	5.8	5.0	5.7	4.6
Georgia	4,413.2	4,536.3	4,398.3	4,527.4	221.6	252.8	215.1	235.8	5.0	5.6	4.9	5.2
Hawaii	620.5	642.2	615.6	638.0	21.0	19.2	19.6	17.2	3.4	3.0	3.2	2.7
Idaho	712.0	746.5	708.6	740.8	30.1	27.7	29.8	25.2	4.2	3.7	4.2	3.4
Illinois	6,488.6	6,528.8	6,417.9	6,507.4	414.8	399.6	390.1	368.1	6.4	6.1	6.1	5.7
Chicago-Naperville-Joliet ¹	4,048.5	4,039.2	3,990.6	3,997.0	263.9	268.3	240.9	237.3	6.5	6.6	6.0	5.9
Indiana	3,218.8	3,236.2	3,180.8	3,217.7	169.9	168.6	162.1	168.0	5.3	5.2	5.1	5.2
Iowa	1,639.8	1,671.3	1,625.1	1,647.6	73.5	67.5	75.7	65.2	4.5	4.0	4.7	4.0
Kansas	1,488.4	1,495.0	1,466.3	1,460.7	87.3	81.8	82.3	74.0	5.9	5.5	5.6	5.1
Kentucky	2,000.3	2,024.8	1,977.3	1,998.7	105.0	119.6	96.4	101.6	5.2	5.9	4.9	5.1
Louisiana	2,094.3	2,144.5	2,059.6	2,134.1	132.5	131.8	115.8	128.4	6.3	6.1	5.6	6.0
New Orleans-Metairie-Kenner ²	622.1	641.8	603.7	633.7	31.9	36.0	27.0	36.9	5.1	5.6	4.5	5.8
Maine	717.3	730.3	715.8	729.4	30.1	33.2	27.3	30.2	4.2	4.5	3.8	4.1
Maryland	2,935.7	2,992.1	2,895.8	2,978.9	130.7	132.8	121.9	129.1	4.5	4.4	4.2	4.3
Massachusetts	3,439.7	3,429.8	3,425.0	3,409.3	183.7	166.5	168.1	140.5	5.3	4.9	4.9	4.1
Michigan	5,157.4	5,185.5	5,106.4	5,148.0	405.3	393.6	339.0	323.6	7.9	7.6	6.6	6.3
Detroit-Warren-Livonia ²	2,233.5	2,231.5	2,224.5	2,247.1	175.6	181.5	161.4	158.3	7.9	8.1	7.3	7.0
Minnesota	2,992.8	2,987.2	2,979.4	2,967.1	135.2	101.0	130.0	99.6	4.5	3.4	4.4	3.4
Mississippi	1,351.1	1,361.7	1,330.9	1,347.7	90.2	91.7	87.5	94.1	6.7	6.7	6.6	7.0
Missouri	3,075.2	3,070.8	3,043.6	3,016.2	189.4	173.4	181.3	134.4	6.2	5.6	6.0	4.5
Montana	494.3	501.8	491.3	501.2	19.0	19.0	17.9	19.2	3.8	3.8	3.7	3.8
Nebraska	1,002.6	1,002.5	989.5	981.6	40.0	41.6	35.7	35.8	4.0	4.1	3.6	3.6
Nevada	1,183.9	1,221.6	1,179.9	1,224.8	52.3	52.0	48.1	48.7	4.4	4.3	4.1	4.0
New Hampshire	735.9	748.2	731.4	750.4	27.5	25.7	26.3	25.8	3.7	3.4	3.6	3.4
New Jersey	4,460.9	4,512.4	4,417.5	4,479.3	237.4	202.7	199.7	181.7	5.3	4.5	4.5	4.1
New Mexico	922.3	952.2	912.9	940.7	55.5	59.9	50.7	49.1	6.0	6.3	5.6	5.2
New York	9,528.9	9,585.1	9,455.3	9,486.2	559.4	494.8	509.5	433.0	5.9	5.2	5.4	4.6
New York City	3,764.2	3,766.8	3,729.7	3,721.6	278.3	224.3	251.4	191.9	7.4	6.0	6.7	5.2
North Carolina	4,305.1	4,400.4	4,276.2	4,362.7	242.1	258.5	226.0	240.1	5.6	5.9	5.3	5.5
North Dakota	364.9	366.5	364.5	364.3	12.0	12.0	11.6	11.1	3.3	3.3	3.2	3.1
Ohio	5,981.3	5,981.2	5,935.3	5,978.1	378.1	340.3	343.6	333.5	6.3	5.7	5.8	5.6
Cleveland-Elyria-Mentor ²	1,126.3	1,115.9	1,117.7	1,096.2	67.4	64.5	64.6	60.6	6.0	5.8	5.8	5.5
Oklahoma	1,722.2	1,742.7	1,699.9	1,735.9	78.3	73.2	73.9	72.7	4.5	4.2	4.3	4.2
Oregon	1,874.9	1,888.7	1,871.3	1,888.8	135.0	119.8	132.0	119.6	7.2	6.3	7.1	6.3
Pennsylvania	6,380.2	6,427.0	6,343.3	6,368.6	360.7	335.4	338.3	302.1	5.7	5.2	5.3	4.7
Rhode Island	569.4	578.1	566.7	580.8	30.5	30.9	28.0	29.5	5.4	5.3	4.9	5.1
South Carolina	2,080.4	2,104.7	2,063.3	2,092.4	147.1	131.1	143.9	132.8	7.1	6.2	7.0	6.3
South Dakota	438.2	441.7	434.6	436.3	15.0	16.6	14.2	15.2	3.4	3.8	3.3	3.5
Tennessee	2,943.7	2,914.7	2,905.4	2,909.2	161.9	162.4	157.2	155.9	5.5	5.6	5.4	5.4
Texas	11,111.2	11,290.9	11,044.9	11,260.1	702.4	590.3	664.2	580.0	6.3	5.2	6.0	5.2
Utah	1,210.7	1,249.5	1,212.6	1,253.2	64.1	58.3	64.3	57.4	5.3	4.7	5.3	4.6
Vermont	358.0	357.4	357.2	357.3	11.7	11.7	10.8	10.2	3.3	3.3	3.0	2.9
Virginia	3,871.2	3,982.0	3,838.3	3,963.7	146.9	139.9	143.4	146.8	3.8	3.5	3.7	3.7
Washington	3,255.7	3,320.8	3,226.8	3,319.9	187.3	175.6	184.7	183.3	5.8	5.3	5.7	5.5
Seattle-Bellevue-Everett ¹	1,331.4	1,362.2	1,323.0	1,367.5	65.5	63.3	61.4	61.9	4.9	4.6	4.6	4.5
West Virginia	803.4	810.2	791.5	802.6	40.6	42.1	39.8	41.4	5.0	5.2	5.0	5.2
Wisconsin	3,115.6	3,082.1	3,093.0	3,058.1	150.6	140.7	140.5	130.2	4.8	4.6	4.5	4.3
Wyoming	287.3	292.7	285.8	288.3	9.7	10.3	9.4	9.4	3.4	3.5	3.3	3.3
Puerto Rico	1,361.5	1,421.3	1,382.1	1,428.4	136.7	169.6	157.8	160.3	10.0	11.9	11.4	11.2

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

(In thousands)

State	Total ¹				Construction				Manufacturing			
	Aug. 2004	June 2005	July 2005	Aug. 2005P	Aug. 2004	June 2005	July 2005	Aug. 2005P	Aug. 2004	June 2005	July 2005	Aug. 2005P
Alabama	1,908.2	1,936.3	1,935.1	1,934.0	102.5	105.1	104.8	105.1	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Alaska	304.4	310.2	310.2	309.7	17.7	18.2	18.5	18.4	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Arizona	2,388.6	2,462.7	2,478.0	2,487.4	192.1	211.7	214.3	215.2	175.7	176.0	175.8	176.1
Arkansas	1,160.4	1,172.2	1,175.1	1,174.3	51.5	53.1	52.8	53.1	204.1	202.2	202.9	202.8
California	14,585.5	14,753.5	14,791.6	14,808.8	854.8	899.9	910.8	915.7	1,538.5	1,533.6	1,539.5	1,538.0
Colorado	2,180.2	2,225.6	2,228.5	2,233.1	150.2	159.8	160.1	162.8	155.2	153.7	153.0	153.7
Connecticut	1,652.1	1,670.3	1,670.2	1,671.8	66.1	71.1	71.1	71.2	197.3	197.9	197.3	196.7
Delaware ³	424.6	431.6	432.1	432.9	26.6	27.9	27.4	27.6	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
District of Columbia ³	672.0	683.1	681.7	683.3	12.0	12.3	12.4	12.1	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Florida	7,527.2	7,724.0	7,771.2	7,779.8	495.7	519.1	522.7	524.7	390.3	392.7	394.9	393.9
Georgia	3,898.7	3,903.6	3,923.2	3,938.7	198.4	199.1	201.5	201.6	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Hawaii ³	584.4	596.5	600.3	602.6	29.4	32.1	32.6	32.5	15.5	15.2	15.2	15.4
Idaho	589.6	612.4	613.4	613.5	39.9	45.7	46.2	46.3	61.8	63.2	63.2	62.3
Illinois	5,809.5	5,859.4	5,863.1	5,867.1	263.7	269.1	268.2	267.2	697.2	691.6	691.8	693.2
Indiana	2,930.4	2,970.2	2,968.6	2,959.8	147.3	153.6	153.6	153.2	572.4	571.4	573.3	570.2
Iowa	1,457.3	1,476.6	1,479.0	1,476.5	68.0	68.6	68.2	67.9	222.6	227.0	227.5	226.8
Kansas	1,327.4	1,345.1	1,341.0	1,339.1	63.7	65.7	65.9	67.0	176.8	178.5	178.0	177.5
Kentucky	1,796.7	1,821.2	1,817.3	1,820.7	82.7	87.2	86.9	86.8	264.6	265.4	259.6	265.5
Louisiana	1,921.3	1,933.6	1,930.1	1,933.0	114.0	118.5	116.9	116.9	151.3	150.8	149.4	148.6
Maine	614.5	618.5	618.6	620.7	30.8	31.7	31.6	31.6	63.0	61.8	62.2	61.8
Maryland ³	2,524.8	2,573.9	2,578.7	2,569.5	178.6	180.2	180.1	179.8	143.2	139.1	138.7	138.1
Massachusetts	3,179.7	3,205.9	3,214.3	3,209.2	138.7	143.5	142.8	143.5	315.0	312.3	314.9	314.5
Michigan	4,399.2	4,363.9	4,342.2	4,350.5	190.2	189.0	186.9	186.6	696.9	670.5	660.4	665.3
Minnesota	2,686.6	2,717.6	2,724.4	2,727.1	126.0	128.3	128.4	128.9	342.7	348.2	347.6	345.6
Mississippi	1,123.3	1,136.5	1,136.1	1,137.2	49.4	50.4	50.4	50.7	179.9	179.3	180.1	179.5
Missouri	2,692.3	2,728.7	2,729.4	2,744.9	137.6	139.6	136.6	137.2	313.0	315.2	310.0	315.6
Montana	412.1	421.3	422.7	422.0	25.0	25.8	26.0	26.0	19.2	19.4	19.5	19.4
Nebraska ³	926.5	935.3	935.1	934.5	48.2	48.9	48.9	48.6	100.6	99.7	100.1	100.7
Nevada	1,158.8	1,224.8	1,232.4	1,231.1	120.2	134.8	136.2	136.4	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
New Hampshire	628.8	637.6	640.7	643.1	29.8	30.7	31.0	31.2	80.7	80.8	81.9	81.9
New Jersey	4,008.6	4,056.9	4,055.6	4,057.4	166.4	166.1	165.7	166.6	337.8	329.2	329.9	327.2
New Mexico	791.2	806.1	806.1	807.0	50.4	53.7	54.4	54.2	35.6	36.1	35.9	35.4
New York	8,454.0	8,526.4	8,527.6	8,534.6	317.9	322.8	322.4	322.5	595.0	578.8	581.0	578.0
North Carolina	3,856.5	3,890.2	3,897.0	3,892.2	219.1	225.7	224.7	226.2	581.3	578.3	575.8	573.6
North Dakota	338.8	343.1	342.4	342.2	17.2	17.5	17.7	17.7	25.6	25.8	25.8	26.0
Ohio	5,426.8	5,425.9	5,437.4	5,433.4	234.5	235.7	234.0	234.8	825.0	819.9	824.7	820.2
Oklahoma	1,471.3	1,495.5	1,496.6	1,498.9	61.7	63.3	63.0	63.5	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Oregon	1,600.8	1,642.1	1,650.6	1,655.9	82.2	89.7	90.3	92.4	200.8	205.4	207.0	205.1
Pennsylvania	5,640.6	5,703.7	5,706.9	5,711.6	247.0	256.0	255.7	256.2	692.2	683.0	681.8	679.3
Rhode Island	489.4	495.2	496.4	495.8	20.6	21.2	21.2	21.5	56.9	55.1	55.1	54.8
South Carolina	1,834.0	1,832.1	1,827.9	1,834.9	112.8	110.9	110.9	110.7	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
South Dakota	385.1	390.6	390.7	392.2	19.8	21.3	21.4	21.3	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Tennessee	2,697.1	2,722.8	2,719.1	2,724.2	116.8	119.6	119.4	119.0	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Texas	9,492.3	9,589.0	9,613.2	9,620.1	538.7	549.5	551.3	554.0	890.5	887.3	891.7	890.7
Utah	1,108.1	1,142.9	1,146.7	1,147.7	73.6	79.5	80.5	81.7	115.5	117.5	117.5	117.6
Vermont	303.4	308.5	308.2	308.8	16.7	18.0	17.9	17.7	37.2	37.6	37.5	37.4
Virginia	3,594.4	3,637.6	3,646.0	3,649.1	231.1	239.7	243.2	243.6	299.0	298.5	299.8	298.4
Washington	2,701.3	2,758.4	2,771.9	2,774.7	164.3	173.3	175.3	175.6	262.9	267.6	268.0	267.6
West Virginia	736.6	746.8	743.7	742.5	34.6	37.8	37.7	37.1	62.8	63.4	62.3	62.0
Wisconsin	2,815.3	2,823.5	2,830.6	2,831.2	126.8	133.6	132.5	133.5	503.1	503.1	504.0	500.6
Wyoming	254.8	261.3	262.3	262.0	18.6	20.4	20.8	20.7	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)

See footnotes at end of table.

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			
	Aug. 2004	June 2005	July 2005	Aug. 2005P	Aug. 2004	June 2005	July 2005	Aug. 2005P	Aug. 2004	June 2005	July 2005	Aug. 2005P
Alabama	376.3	383.0	383.2	384.0	96.5	96.0	95.8	95.8	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Alaska	62.1	63.4	63.8	63.4	14.6	15.0	14.8	14.8	23.2	23.6	23.5	23.2
Arizona	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	164.9	168.9	170.3	171.4	338.9	347.4	351.5	351.7
Arkansas	241.8	243.0	243.6	243.4	51.1	52.1	52.1	51.8	107.7	108.8	108.8	107.6
California	2,763.8	2,768.3	2,778.7	2,786.1	907.7	917.2	919.9	922.0	2,113.7	2,147.2	2,152.8	2,154.4
Colorado	408.2	411.6	412.6	412.3	155.1	158.2	158.5	158.6	299.9	309.1	310.3	310.9
Connecticut	308.7	314.0	316.2	317.3	140.6	141.2	141.1	141.2	198.0	197.8	199.9	199.2
Delaware ³	80.8	82.1	82.2	82.2	44.9	44.7	45.0	45.0	61.8	63.9	63.0	62.6
District of Columbia ³	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	143.4	147.7	147.3	147.2
Florida	1,500.4	1,532.1	1,535.6	1,533.7	503.0	514.4	517.3	517.2	1,295.0	1,361.4	1,366.1	1,374.6
Georgia	830.7	824.5	828.0	831.6	218.3	220.8	221.9	221.6	510.9	516.3	520.9	524.5
Hawaii ³	112.5	117.1	117.3	117.9	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Idaho	118.1	121.2	122.1	122.0	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	73.6	77.9	78.8	78.5
Illinois	1,180.6	1,187.4	1,185.2	1,182.8	399.6	403.6	403.2	404.1	797.7	828.1	826.7	828.9
Indiana	578.2	583.4	582.5	582.7	140.0	142.5	142.6	143.0	268.5	271.4	271.9	272.3
Iowa	306.4	308.2	309.1	307.7	97.2	99.2	99.9	100.0	107.4	107.4	108.5	107.6
Kansas	261.8	260.3	261.1	259.8	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Kentucky	372.0	374.2	375.1	377.0	87.5	85.8	86.0	85.4	162.4	168.2	167.6	169.3
Louisiana	379.3	383.5	385.9	389.2	103.0	104.4	104.5	104.1	184.3	186.6	183.7	183.8
Maine	125.8	126.6	126.5	126.8	34.9	34.2	34.6	34.6	49.6	49.7	49.9	49.7
Maryland ³	467.4	473.8	473.5	473.3	155.3	158.6	159.5	159.8	373.5	392.2	392.3	388.9
Massachusetts	573.4	575.8	575.9	576.1	220.1	220.7	220.6	220.2	449.3	459.3	460.1	459.2
Michigan	810.5	813.8	807.9	807.8	217.7	218.1	218.7	218.8	589.2	576.3	582.3	581.5
Minnesota	523.1	526.0	528.2	527.9	175.4	180.9	178.9	178.9	305.4	309.8	308.3	311.0
Mississippi	219.8	223.2	223.3	223.3	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Missouri	533.5	535.8	536.8	538.2	163.4	167.7	168.6	169.4	301.6	307.4	304.4	307.0
Montana	86.0	87.6	87.5	87.6	21.2	21.7	21.6	21.6	33.6	34.7	35.2	35.0
Nebraska ³	197.0	199.8	198.9	199.1	63.0	64.2	64.2	64.2	94.6	96.5	97.9	97.6
Nevada	203.3	212.3	211.7	211.4	61.9	65.5	66.1	65.8	133.5	146.1	146.7	146.0
New Hampshire	140.8	142.9	144.0	144.1	37.7	38.5	38.4	38.4	57.1	57.0	57.0	56.8
New Jersey	874.7	892.0	889.5	889.8	278.6	282.0	281.6	281.8	582.7	587.3	588.2	588.2
New Mexico	137.7	138.4	138.4	138.4	34.6	35.2	35.4	35.3	90.8	91.8	91.9	92.4
New York	1,489.1	1,495.8	1,495.5	1,494.6	703.7	709.0	712.7	716.2	1,055.3	1,077.5	1,077.9	1,083.7
North Carolina	724.1	730.0	732.1	729.9	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	432.3	444.7	448.9	448.4
North Dakota	72.7	73.9	74.0	73.6	18.5	18.7	18.5	18.7	24.3	24.8	25.0	24.8
Ohio	1,039.0	1,031.5	1,033.3	1,033.3	311.9	312.5	313.4	313.3	630.9	644.5	643.6	643.7
Oklahoma	274.2	277.0	277.4	277.9	84.2	86.1	86.3	86.0	162.1	167.3	166.3	168.0
Oregon	321.5	330.2	331.1	331.5	97.0	98.5	99.0	98.4	178.0	181.6	182.4	184.0
Pennsylvania	1,122.6	1,129.3	1,127.9	1,130.3	335.9	336.9	336.7	337.4	632.9	649.8	651.0	651.2
Rhode Island	79.7	79.5	79.1	79.0	34.2	35.4	35.5	35.5	54.3	55.4	55.3	55.6
South Carolina	353.5	355.3	357.3	358.3	94.2	93.5	94.3	94.8	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
South Dakota	77.3	79.2	78.8	79.1	27.9	28.5	28.5	28.5	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Tennessee	582.9	593.5	592.7	594.3	141.8	143.2	143.7	143.9	302.7	303.2	304.9	304.3
Texas	1,948.3	1,963.0	1,968.2	1,972.7	595.3	601.0	601.5	602.3	1,094.8	1,104.9	1,106.8	1,108.2
Utah	219.6	225.7	225.6	225.0	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	137.8	146.3	147.4	146.1
Vermont	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	21.2	22.0	21.9	22.1
Virginia	647.1	658.2	657.5	661.7	189.7	193.4	191.9	191.4	582.1	588.4	589.6	589.7
Washington	520.6	530.4	533.3	535.4	151.3	153.3	153.6	153.2	304.0	314.6	316.6	317.4
West Virginia	137.2	138.3	138.4	138.1	30.5	29.9	29.8	29.9	58.1	58.4	58.6	59.0
Wisconsin	540.4	537.7	541.6	540.9	157.7	158.4	158.3	158.2	251.1	253.5	254.0	256.5
Wyoming	49.1	50.1	50.4	50.3	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	15.4	15.8	16.1	15.8

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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			
	Aug. 2004	June 2005	July 2005	Aug. 2005P	Aug. 2004	June 2005	July 2005	Aug. 2005P	Aug. 2004	June 2005	July 2005	Aug. 2005P
Alabama	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	160.7	162.5	162.4	163.2	362.7	363.8	362.3	359.4
Alaska	34.4	35.9	35.8	35.9	30.7	30.4	31.4	31.5	80.9	81.1	80.2	80.8
Arizona	261.1	273.1	271.5	275.4	243.0	250.8	252.2	253.5	403.6	405.6	410.2	410.5
Arkansas	142.9	146.4	146.6	147.1	90.9	92.5	93.2	93.3	201.5	204.5	205.9	206.1
California	1,565.0	1,587.9	1,584.9	1,587.0	1,445.5	1,475.7	1,480.6	1,485.9	2,388.2	2,392.5	2,400.3	2,400.3
Colorado	218.9	224.9	226.0	225.7	251.7	257.9	257.6	258.5	358.0	368.8	369.3	369.0
Connecticut	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	127.6	131.6	131.4	131.0	243.0	242.2	242.1	244.5
Delaware ³	51.7	53.4	53.6	53.3	40.0	41.7	41.6	41.9	58.4	59.4	59.7	61.0
District of Columbia ³	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	50.8	53.9	53.6	54.0	230.4	230.4	231.5	234.8
Florida	920.7	950.6	953.1	953.8	855.8	881.9	890.6	891.5	1,071.9	1,068.1	1,087.5	1,091.1
Georgia	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	358.9	362.8	364.5	367.5	642.2	645.0	647.8	650.0
Hawaii ³	67.4	69.2	69.6	69.5	104.1	106.9	107.4	107.4	120.5	120.2	120.1	121.3
Idaho	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	55.6	57.3	56.8	57.4	114.5	115.1	113.8	114.5
Illinois	728.2	734.1	736.0	738.2	507.2	522.4	522.2	524.4	848.5	839.1	844.8	844.8
Indiana	366.0	383.0	382.0	380.2	274.7	282.8	283.1	281.0	426.0	424.4	424.4	420.6
Iowa	191.4	193.8	194.4	194.2	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	244.8	245.3	243.5	244.8
Kansas	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	110.7	113.1	112.6	112.8	252.4	256.9	252.3	250.5
Kentucky	231.8	234.4	235.7	234.7	160.3	166.1	165.5	165.9	308.2	310.8	312.0	307.0
Louisiana	255.5	253.7	260.3	256.1	204.1	207.3	204.9	207.6	385.2	381.5	379.6	381.9
Maine	111.5	113.3	113.3	113.9	59.1	60.3	59.7	59.9	105.3	105.6	106.0	107.5
Maryland ³	349.2	356.2	357.1	357.3	224.5	237.5	237.0	238.3	467.8	468.1	468.4	466.7
Massachusetts	583.7	586.3	588.4	588.1	290.4	297.7	300.2	298.1	405.4	409.1	407.6	406.6
Michigan	553.8	558.1	560.0	557.9	405.0	406.7	404.4	406.0	680.9	678.5	668.7	673.6
Minnesota	379.7	388.6	390.5	391.2	236.2	239.2	240.7	242.1	413.9	414.8	419.8	419.6
Mississippi	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	125.1	125.9	125.3	125.4	241.1	246.0	244.8	245.7
Missouri	358.7	370.2	367.5	370.4	266.2	274.9	277.6	278.0	430.9	428.2	438.3	438.5
Montana	54.2	55.5	55.8	55.5	54.0	55.2	56.0	56.4	86.4	88.3	88.1	87.4
Nebraska ³	128.8	128.7	128.9	128.1	77.3	80.5	81.0	80.8	160.9	160.9	159.3	159.2
Nevada	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	315.2	330.8	331.6	331.6	137.8	143.1	144.0	142.6
New Hampshire	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	65.1	66.7	67.1	67.7	88.4	90.3	90.3	90.4
New Jersey	548.4	562.0	561.1	560.0	329.3	340.2	340.7	343.3	636.7	640.5	641.5	642.4
New Mexico	102.8	105.1	105.0	105.3	81.9	84.4	84.4	84.1	198.1	201.2	200.2	201.3
New York	1,523.0	1,545.0	1,545.8	1,548.2	664.4	676.9	680.6	680.2	1,478.1	1,488.5	1,478.9	1,479.6
North Carolina	453.2	461.6	462.5	464.0	342.4	347.3	346.1	347.5	663.2	662.8	663.4	656.9
North Dakota	48.9	49.7	49.6	49.7	31.6	31.7	32.1	31.8	74.0	75.2	72.0	74.0
Ohio	746.2	754.3	753.8	755.3	499.9	501.0	501.6	499.7	805.0	795.3	800.1	801.1
Oklahoma	178.0	182.8	182.2	183.3	128.2	128.5	129.5	127.9	304.2	311.2	311.6	312.3
Oregon	194.4	198.9	202.4	203.5	157.2	159.9	161.4	163.0	269.5	273.9	272.7	273.7
Pennsylvania	997.9	1,016.8	1,017.7	1,018.1	477.0	486.6	487.8	490.6	740.4	749.7	752.6	753.4
Rhode Island	93.1	95.7	95.6	95.8	50.2	52.0	52.6	52.4	65.9	66.3	66.2	65.9
South Carolina	183.5	187.5	188.7	188.8	202.4	206.4	206.6	206.8	333.4	334.3	328.2	334.8
South Dakota	56.8	56.8	57.0	57.2	41.1	42.2	42.1	42.1	73.7	75.7	75.1	74.8
Tennessee	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	254.6	254.7	255.7	257.3	412.6	414.4	413.2	414.3
Texas	1,145.0	1,169.3	1,171.3	1,173.0	885.7	894.6	897.4	898.1	1,657.3	1,673.4	1,670.8	1,672.4
Utah	124.1	127.4	127.1	128.0	102.4	105.7	106.1	105.4	199.8	201.8	202.4	204.3
Vermont	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	52.5	52.3	52.8	52.8
Virginia	381.6	385.4	388.2	387.4	319.4	323.4	322.4	324.9	651.8	657.0	659.2	659.3
Washington	319.6	329.1	329.8	329.9	254.6	260.1	260.7	260.2	522.5	525.8	529.2	529.4
West Virginia	111.1	111.9	111.6	111.6	67.6	69.3	68.9	68.4	143.6	144.6	143.0	143.3
Wisconsin	378.0	382.4	381.6	382.2	254.4	254.6	255.9	257.9	413.5	411.7	413.1	412.1
Wyoming	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	31.2	31.6	31.4	31.7	64.7	64.9	65.3	65.1

¹ Includes natural resources and mining, information, and other services, except public administration, not shown separately.

² 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.

³ Natural resources and mining is combined with construction.
P = preliminary.

NOTE: Data are counts of jobs by place of work. Estimates are currently projected from 2004 benchmark levels. Estimates subsequent to the current benchmarks are provisional and will be revised when new information becomes available.

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

(In thousands)

State	Total				Natural resources and mining				Construction				Manufacturing			
	July		August		July		August		July		August		July		August	
	2004	2005	2004	2005 ^P	2004	2005	2004	2005 ^P	2004	2005	2004	2005 ^P	2004	2005	2004	2005 ^P
Alabama	1,903.7	1,923.9	1,905.3	1,925.3	12.7	12.6	12.7	12.6	104.5	105.6	103.3	105.8	291.7	297.1	292.3	296.7
Alaska	326.7	331.3	325.4	330.0	10.5	10.8	10.7	10.9	21.3	22.0	21.5	22.5	21.2	21.7	18.4	19.0
Arizona	2,321.4	2,420.3	2,358.8	2,456.3	8.5	8.3	8.5	8.3	191.9	215.2	193.9	216.9	176.9	176.2	176.1	176.5
Arkansas	1,149.9	1,161.8	1,157.3	1,168.4	7.1	7.5	7.3	7.7	53.6	54.4	53.7	54.8	204.7	203.2	204.6	203.1
California	14,515.4	14,735.4	14,535.8	14,747.9	23.9	23.7	24.0	24.0	870.9	929.4	880.8	943.5	1,551.1	1,548.1	1,556.7	1,557.4
Colorado	2,188.7	2,234.4	2,195.3	2,240.6	15.0	16.8	15.4	17.0	158.3	167.9	158.2	169.9	156.1	153.4	156.3	153.5
Connecticut	1,644.4	1,664.9	1,642.6	1,662.3	.8	.8	.8	.8	69.7	75.0	70.3	75.4	196.7	196.4	196.7	196.3
Delaware	427.8	436.4	427.5	435.0	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	27.4	28.5	27.5	28.5	35.1	33.3	34.9	33.2
District of Columbia ..	678.0	689.3	674.7	686.4	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	12.6	12.7	12.4	12.5	2.5	2.6	2.5	2.6
Florida	7,409.9	7,654.9	7,496.8	7,748.6	7.1	6.5	7.1	6.5	496.2	524.9	498.8	528.0	389.0	392.8	388.5	392.1
Georgia	3,882.7	3,906.7	3,917.3	3,948.2	12.3	12.1	12.3	12.0	202.3	205.1	201.8	204.6	445.4	439.9	446.8	444.9
Hawaii	577.7	594.7	579.2	596.0	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	29.9	32.8	30.0	32.5	15.5	15.3	15.5	15.4
Idaho	593.8	616.7	596.3	618.4	4.5	4.8	4.6	4.9	43.0	49.5	43.5	50.0	62.4	63.6	62.6	63.2
Illinois	5,847.2	5,885.4	5,845.5	5,887.0	9.5	9.4	9.5	9.4	284.8	284.9	283.6	285.1	698.7	691.9	699.5	693.7
Indiana	2,910.1	2,934.8	2,924.0	2,944.7	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.1	158.4	160.8	156.5	160.7	568.8	570.9	577.5	573.9
Iowa	1,450.0	1,466.6	1,448.2	1,465.7	2.3	2.3	2.2	2.3	75.1	74.9	74.7	74.6	226.0	229.1	223.8	228.0
Kansas	1,315.7	1,328.0	1,312.0	1,323.7	7.3	8.2	7.5	8.1	68.0	70.5	67.1	70.5	178.0	178.7	177.6	178.3
Kentucky	1,782.1	1,804.1	1,799.0	1,818.2	19.7	20.7	19.7	20.7	86.9	90.1	86.1	89.7	256.2	257.9	265.3	265.6
Louisiana	1,909.9	1,917.9	1,912.2	1,918.3	44.6	44.5	44.8	45.1	116.1	116.6	114.6	116.9	151.7	149.9	151.8	148.9
Maine	624.6	628.5	626.7	630.3	2.7	2.8	2.8	2.8	33.4	34.3	33.4	34.3	62.9	61.3	64.3	62.5
Maryland	2,538.7	2,598.1	2,545.6	2,592.0	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	183.3	184.9	184.0	184.9	144.1	138.9	143.9	138.5
Massachusetts	3,194.1	3,213.0	3,180.1	3,200.2	2.0	2.1	2.0	2.1	147.8	150.5	148.0	151.2	314.5	312.6	314.4	313.9
Michigan	4,330.9	4,300.4	4,370.5	4,321.2	8.6	8.7	8.5	8.8	209.9	205.4	206.9	203.4	668.4	652.7	701.0	669.2
Minnesota	2,687.4	2,727.9	2,688.8	2,729.5	6.3	6.6	6.4	6.6	140.5	143.7	142.2	145.1	346.1	350.7	348.2	351.1
Mississippi	1,114.0	1,130.4	1,123.7	1,135.8	9.0	8.9	9.0	9.1	50.0	51.6	50.3	51.4	178.4	179.9	179.7	179.3
Missouri	2,669.3	2,698.5	2,679.1	2,712.2	5.0	5.4	5.0	5.5	145.4	145.7	144.6	145.1	303.9	307.1	314.3	316.6
Montana	419.0	425.9	418.5	426.6	7.6	8.1	7.6	8.2	27.6	28.2	27.7	28.4	19.5	19.8	19.5	19.8
Nebraska	925.1	933.3	925.3	931.2	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	52.2	52.7	51.6	52.0	101.1	100.6	101.0	100.8
Nevada	1,154.3	1,227.8	1,159.6	1,231.8	9.9	10.6	10.0	10.6	121.7	138.0	123.2	139.4	46.5	47.9	46.7	48.2
New Hampshire	630.8	643.8	630.6	645.0	1.0	1.1	1.0	1.1	31.9	33.1	31.7	33.2	80.1	81.2	80.7	81.9
New Jersey	4,026.0	4,076.9	4,009.9	4,058.1	1.7	1.6	1.7	1.6	172.6	172.8	173.5	173.8	339.2	328.9	337.9	327.2
New Mexico	788.0	804.3	791.1	807.7	15.1	16.5	15.4	16.7	52.5	56.0	52.1	56.1	36.3	36.4	36.8	37.0
New York	8,444.2	8,529.2	8,422.4	8,506.0	6.1	6.5	6.2	6.5	335.2	340.8	338.6	344.3	592.4	579.8	597.4	580.8
North Carolina	3,793.0	3,848.7	3,851.7	3,888.2	7.0	6.4	6.9	6.4	221.0	228.7	222.4	229.6	581.6	574.7	582.0	574.2
North Dakota	334.1	337.8	335.6	338.8	3.7	4.2	3.8	4.2	20.4	20.7	20.1	20.7	25.4	25.8	25.4	25.8
Ohio	5,413.6	5,428.1	5,421.4	5,428.8	12.1	12.0	11.9	11.8	250.4	249.8	250.3	250.6	822.3	821.1	828.2	823.4
Oklahoma	1,457.9	1,483.7	1,464.1	1,488.8	31.5	32.6	31.5	32.5	64.2	65.1	63.7	65.2	142.7	141.6	142.8	141.6
Oregon	1,594.0	1,644.2	1,597.4	1,651.1	10.1	10.6	10.2	10.6	87.2	94.1	88.0	97.4	205.2	211.4	206.2	210.5
Pennsylvania	5,625.1	5,688.5	5,613.6	5,688.5	19.6	19.0	19.5	19.0	264.2	271.2	263.8	272.4	696.3	684.7	696.5	683.9
Rhode Island	487.3	493.1	489.6	495.9	.2	.2	.2	.2	22.3	22.8	22.2	23.0	55.1	52.2	57.1	54.9
South Carolina	1,816.3	1,812.7	1,833.5	1,834.9	5.1	3.9	4.4	3.9	115.3	112.9	114.7	112.7	268.4	263.9	269.7	263.1
South Dakota	387.7	394.4	390.1	396.8	.9	.9	.9	.9	22.5	24.0	22.5	23.9	39.7	40.5	39.4	40.3
Tennessee	2,688.2	2,710.0	2,699.1	2,726.3	4.1	4.1	4.1	4.1	120.9	123.1	120.4	122.6	412.2	411.1	412.5	412.0
Texas	9,437.1	9,554.6	9,476.2	9,592.2	154.3	157.5	155.0	158.5	547.2	558.3	547.4	560.8	893.8	893.0	894.0	892.5
Utah	1,097.6	1,135.7	1,103.7	1,143.2	7.3	7.8	7.3	7.9	77.3	84.3	78.0	86.5	115.9	117.8	116.1	118.4
Vermont	298.4	303.2	298.5	303.6	1.0	1.1	1.0	1.1	18.6	19.7	18.6	19.6	37.3	37.7	37.5	37.7
Virginia	3,591.0	3,640.0	3,588.1	3,638.5	10.3	10.3	10.3	10.3	238.5	249.1	238.0	249.3	299.6	297.6	299.2	298.8
Washington	2,709.4	2,777.4	2,704.6	2,776.6	9.2	9.3	9.3	9.3	171.3	181.9	174.3	185.7	267.2	270.9	267.1	272.2
West Virginia	738.5	745.7	739.2	744.6	24.2	25.4	24.2	25.6	36.8	39.5	37.0	39.2	63.1	62.7	63.1	62.4
Wisconsin	2,824.2	2,846.6	2,832.7	2,849.4	4.2	3.9	4.2	3.9	138.9	145.3	139.0	145.7	508.7	510.1	512.1	509.8
Wyoming	263.1	270.2	262.6	268.9	20.6	22.7	20.9	22.8	21.1	22.4	20.9	22.6	9.6	9.8	9.6	9.8
Puerto Rico	1,039.4	1,022.1	1,031.2	1,022.6	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	67.6	64.8	67.9	63.9	117.3	116.0	117.2	115.1

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Table 6. Employees on nonfarm payrolls by state and selected industry sector, not seasonally adjusted—Continued

(In thousands)

State	Trade, transportation, and utilities				Information				Financial activities				Professional and business services			
	July		August		July		August		July		August		July		August	
	2004	2005	2004	2005 ^P	2004	2005	2004	2005 ^P	2004	2005	2004	2005 ^P	2004	2005	2004	2005 ^P
	Alabama	376.5	382.0	376.0	382.3	31.6	30.9	31.3	30.8	97.5	96.4	97.3	96.3	201.1	206.9	201.9
Alaska	67.1	68.2	67.0	67.9	6.9	7.0	6.9	7.0	14.9	15.3	15.3	15.4	24.8	24.9	24.8	24.8
Arizona	455.9	479.4	457.8	480.4	48.3	45.9	47.5	45.8	163.8	169.4	164.1	170.6	335.9	349.3	338.4	351.1
Arkansas	241.8	243.3	242.1	243.2	20.2	20.1	20.2	20.0	51.4	52.4	51.5	52.3	108.6	109.2	109.4	109.8
California	2,750.4	2,771.8	2,758.1	2,780.0	477.4	491.0	481.4	487.0	907.2	921.8	910.4	923.3	2,110.3	2,158.2	2,126.7	2,164.5
Colorado	408.9	413.7	409.6	414.3	81.2	76.5	81.0	76.3	155.7	159.6	155.8	160.0	306.5	316.1	307.2	317.6
Connecticut	304.7	312.4	303.1	310.8	39.3	39.4	39.3	39.4	142.2	142.3	142.1	142.5	199.5	200.4	200.2	200.8
Delaware	81.4	83.0	81.1	82.6	7.0	7.0	7.0	6.9	45.6	45.6	45.7	45.5	61.6	63.4	62.0	63.1
District of Columbia ..	27.7	28.0	27.4	27.9	23.8	23.8	23.8	23.4	30.7	31.4	30.6	31.1	144.9	149.0	144.1	147.7
Florida	1,483.7	1,521.0	1,488.1	1,521.3	166.7	168.2	168.1	167.8	504.3	519.3	504.0	518.3	1,298.5	1,365.1	1,291.9	1,371.0
Georgia	828.9	822.0	830.6	828.6	119.1	118.0	118.6	117.3	220.2	222.9	220.3	223.3	516.6	523.1	517.8	529.1
Hawaii	111.8	117.1	112.4	117.6	11.1	10.5	11.0	10.6	28.9	29.4	28.8	29.4	70.5	73.9	71.2	74.3
Idaho	119.0	122.9	119.1	123.1	10.2	11.0	10.3	10.9	28.2	29.8	28.3	29.8	75.3	79.8	76.1	80.5
Illinois	1,176.7	1,183.2	1,178.6	1,182.9	121.1	117.1	120.4	116.9	403.2	406.0	403.4	405.4	811.7	833.6	814.8	838.9
Indiana	579.5	581.3	580.2	581.4	41.4	41.2	41.1	41.0	141.8	143.3	141.9	143.6	271.8	274.4	273.9	276.7
Iowa	308.3	310.3	308.5	309.9	33.8	34.2	33.3	33.8	98.0	100.5	98.0	100.7	109.3	108.8	109.2	108.8
Kansas	262.0	261.2	262.2	260.3	42.1	40.6	41.6	40.2	70.5	71.7	70.6	71.8	128.4	135.1	129.0	136.0
Kentucky	370.5	373.9	372.7	376.1	29.1	28.2	29.0	28.2	88.2	86.1	88.3	85.7	161.8	168.1	164.4	170.6
Louisiana	378.6	384.0	379.2	388.1	28.9	28.2	28.8	28.7	103.3	104.6	103.5	104.3	183.5	182.8	184.2	182.8
Maine	128.9	129.8	129.4	130.3	11.8	12.0	11.7	11.8	35.4	35.1	35.4	35.1	51.1	51.0	51.1	51.0
Maryland	465.9	475.6	466.3	474.7	50.6	51.1	50.8	51.1	156.8	160.8	157.1	160.9	378.7	395.0	379.2	392.6
Massachusetts	573.1	574.9	571.5	573.9	86.7	84.6	86.8	84.5	222.7	222.6	222.7	222.8	455.8	465.9	456.1	465.7
Michigan	812.8	809.0	813.6	810.9	68.6	65.0	68.3	64.9	220.3	221.1	220.2	221.2	586.6	580.4	597.8	590.0
Minnesota	524.1	529.7	525.0	529.6	60.2	59.3	59.5	58.8	177.4	180.3	176.5	180.0	306.9	311.1	309.0	314.7
Mississippi	219.5	221.9	220.1	222.3	14.6	14.5	14.4	14.4	46.3	46.8	46.3	46.8	82.7	86.3	82.7	86.1
Missouri	532.2	536.6	531.0	536.2	64.0	64.5	63.3	64.8	165.1	169.1	165.6	169.7	302.8	305.9	303.8	309.9
Montana	87.4	88.5	87.1	88.7	8.0	8.0	8.1	8.0	21.6	21.8	21.5	21.7	34.7	35.9	34.9	36.0
Nebraska	196.1	198.7	197.0	198.3	21.6	21.7	21.5	21.9	63.4	64.9	63.4	64.7	95.2	97.1	95.8	97.3
Nevada	204.4	212.3	204.9	213.1	14.8	14.4	14.6	14.3	62.0	65.9	62.2	66.1	132.3	144.8	134.4	147.0
New Hampshire	140.3	143.7	141.2	144.5	12.4	12.9	12.5	12.9	38.0	38.8	38.2	38.9	57.8	57.5	58.0	57.7
New Jersey	869.9	887.8	872.0	886.7	98.6	96.4	98.3	96.6	281.4	284.5	281.2	284.4	589.4	594.6	589.7	595.2
New Mexico	137.4	138.2	137.8	138.8	14.6	14.6	14.7	14.5	34.9	35.7	34.8	35.6	91.2	93.0	91.5	93.2
New York	1,477.6	1,484.4	1,479.1	1,484.4	269.0	269.6	270.8	269.4	712.1	720.4	711.4	721.5	1,063.9	1,088.0	1,064.8	1,091.7
North Carolina	726.7	733.3	726.0	731.8	72.1	71.3	71.4	71.2	194.3	196.8	193.6	196.7	428.8	447.6	435.5	451.7
North Dakota	72.9	74.0	72.7	73.5	7.8	7.7	7.8	7.7	18.6	18.6	18.6	18.8	24.6	25.2	24.6	25.1
Ohio	1,038.4	1,032.3	1,040.3	1,034.5	93.7	92.4	93.2	92.5	314.3	316.0	314.9	316.2	632.1	648.5	637.3	650.1
Oklahoma	273.7	277.7	273.9	277.1	31.4	31.8	31.0	31.7	84.7	86.6	85.0	86.3	163.8	168.7	164.4	169.6
Oregon	321.9	331.9	323.5	333.3	33.3	35.0	33.2	34.9	98.1	100.0	98.4	99.8	180.7	185.8	181.6	187.8
Pennsylvania	1,111.7	1,120.2	1,112.4	1,123.4	113.1	109.8	112.4	109.1	340.2	340.2	339.2	340.6	640.3	657.3	641.9	660.0
Rhode Island	79.3	78.8	79.3	78.7	10.9	11.0	10.8	11.0	34.5	35.7	34.4	35.8	54.1	55.8	55.4	56.4
South Carolina	354.2	358.3	353.7	358.5	26.2	27.5	26.1	27.0	95.0	95.5	94.7	95.3	194.6	187.3	194.1	189.4
South Dakota	78.0	79.5	78.5	80.3	6.8	6.7	6.8	6.7	28.1	28.8	28.1	28.8	24.3	24.1	24.7	24.5
Tennessee	585.0	591.5	582.1	593.5	49.1	47.6	48.9	47.5	142.2	144.3	142.5	144.6	302.2	304.0	304.4	305.9
Texas	1,940.0	1,964.1	1,953.0	1,974.1	225.9	229.9	225.0	229.2	598.2	605.2	599.2	605.9	1,100.4	1,114.2	1,105.4	1,117.7
Utah	219.1	225.2	220.1	225.9	30.1	31.0	30.2	31.1	65.2	66.7	65.2	66.7	139.2	147.7	140.4	149.0
Vermont	59.0	59.2	58.7	59.5	6.4	6.2	6.4	6.2	13.5	13.9	13.5	13.9	21.8	22.4	21.8	22.7
Virginia	645.7	657.4	647.2	661.4	101.1	101.0	100.5	100.0	192.1	193.7	192.0	193.2	584.1	595.5	588.2	597.9
Washington	522.6	537.4	524.3	539.9	93.0	95.1	93.1	95.8	152.9	154.7	153.2	155.0	307.0	319.0	310.0	321.9
West Virginia	137.2	139.0	137.7	138.7	12.0	12.2	12.0	12.2	30.8	30.0	30.6	30.2	58.7	58.9	58.8	59.0
Wisconsin	539.9	542.3	543.2	543.8	49.7	50.1	50.2	50.2	158.7	159.7	158.8	159.3	256.2	260.2	257.6	263.1
Wyoming	51.0	51.9	50.7	51.8	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	10.6	10.9	10.7	10.8	16.3	16.8	16.5	16.5
Puerto Rico	180.8	177.5	181.4	177.5	23.7	23.3	23.4	22.9	46.2	46.5	46.0	46.6	103.1	100.2	102.6	101.4

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Table 6. Employees on nonfarm payrolls by state and selected industry sector, not seasonally adjusted—Continued

(In thousands)

State	Education and health services				Leisure and hospitality				Other services				Government			
	July		August		July		August		July		August		July		August	
	2004	2005	2004	2005 ^P	2004	2005	2004	2005 ^P	2004	2005	2004	2005 ^P	2004	2005	2004	2005 ^P
Alabama	191.4	195.5	192.3	196.4	165.0	166.4	165.3	166.6	82.1	81.8	81.8	81.5	349.6	348.7	351.1	348.1
Alaska	34.6	36.1	34.4	36.1	36.9	37.6	37.2	37.6	11.8	11.4	11.9	11.6	76.7	76.3	77.3	77.2
Arizona	255.3	269.7	260.6	275.0	236.4	246.8	237.5	247.9	89.7	91.1	89.8	92.1	358.8	369.0	384.6	391.7
Arkansas	140.3	144.1	141.4	145.6	94.3	95.5	94.6	95.7	41.8	41.7	41.6	41.5	186.1	190.4	190.9	194.7
California	1,538.5	1,561.1	1,536.0	1,559.7	1,475.5	1,508.7	1,477.3	1,513.1	504.5	510.1	503.2	508.9	2,305.7	2,311.5	2,281.2	2,286.5
Colorado	217.0	223.8	218.2	224.1	263.6	267.7	264.6	268.7	87.9	89.6	87.9	89.6	338.5	349.3	341.1	349.6
Connecticut	264.5	267.6	261.5	265.2	137.9	140.2	136.6	138.6	64.3	65.2	63.8	64.4	224.8	225.2	228.2	228.1
Delaware	51.1	52.9	51.1	52.7	44.1	45.5	44.1	45.8	18.9	19.4	18.9	18.7	55.6	57.8	55.2	58.0
District of Columbia ..	88.8	87.8	88.2	88.1	50.9	54.2	50.4	53.6	59.4	60.4	59.1	60.3	236.7	239.4	236.2	239.2
Florida	908.0	942.4	914.2	947.3	842.9	878.7	844.1	879.2	320.1	328.2	319.1	324.9	993.4	1,007.8	1,072.9	1,092.2
Georgia	403.5	411.1	407.3	415.1	365.7	374.4	368.2	376.5	158.4	156.6	157.6	156.3	610.3	621.5	636.0	640.5
Hawaii	67.1	69.3	66.6	68.5	104.4	107.4	104.8	107.6	24.3	24.7	24.3	24.6	114.2	114.3	114.6	115.5
Idaho	64.3	67.2	64.5	67.7	59.6	60.6	60.1	61.5	18.8	19.2	18.9	19.4	108.5	108.3	108.3	107.4
Illinois	721.7	730.7	722.5	731.2	531.0	543.8	531.0	544.9	268.0	266.3	266.4	265.7	820.8	818.5	815.8	812.9
Indiana	360.4	370.4	356.6	368.4	285.8	290.9	287.5	291.5	111.2	112.1	110.9	111.8	383.7	382.2	390.6	388.6
Iowa	182.3	184.8	182.4	184.7	134.3	140.3	136.2	142.3	57.1	57.7	56.8	57.3	223.5	223.7	223.1	223.3
Kansas	160.1	161.3	160.0	161.2	114.0	115.7	114.1	116.2	53.4	54.3	53.1	54.0	231.9	230.7	229.2	227.1
Kentucky	230.1	233.5	231.0	233.5	166.6	171.5	167.1	171.4	78.9	80.1	78.8	80.1	294.1	294.0	296.6	296.6
Louisiana	248.4	256.0	252.2	253.2	207.1	207.6	207.6	209.6	72.0	72.2	72.1	71.0	375.7	371.5	373.4	369.7
Maine	110.2	112.2	110.2	112.5	74.6	75.8	75.0	76.0	20.6	20.7	20.5	20.4	93.0	93.5	92.9	93.6
Maryland	347.0	354.5	347.0	352.7	241.7	257.1	242.2	257.3	116.0	120.0	114.9	119.0	454.6	460.2	460.2	460.3
Massachusetts	569.0	573.9	565.6	570.7	320.5	326.0	317.9	323.0	120.1	118.9	118.7	117.8	381.9	381.0	376.4	374.6
Michigan	543.2	550.1	544.4	548.4	429.9	431.1	429.2	430.9	180.7	181.8	180.4	181.4	601.9	595.1	600.2	592.1
Minnesota	373.2	384.0	372.1	383.4	251.1	255.1	252.2	258.4	118.6	116.8	119.0	117.2	383.0	390.6	378.7	384.6
Mississippi	115.8	119.1	117.4	120.0	128.3	127.6	128.7	127.8	37.7	37.8	37.5	37.2	231.7	236.0	237.6	241.4
Missouri	357.4	362.5	356.9	364.5	282.4	284.2	281.8	285.0	120.5	122.1	120.1	121.9	390.6	395.4	392.7	393.0
Montana	53.2	54.6	53.2	54.6	60.4	61.9	60.7	62.5	17.0	17.1	17.1	17.2	82.0	82.0	81.1	81.5
Nebraska	126.5	126.7	126.7	126.7	80.6	84.1	80.8	83.6	35.0	34.8	34.7	34.4	153.4	152.0	152.8	151.5
Nevada	79.8	84.8	79.9	84.9	317.0	333.7	317.6	334.1	36.1	40.0	36.7	40.0	129.8	135.4	129.4	134.1
New Hampshire	94.0	96.7	93.2	96.7	74.4	77.2	74.7	77.7	21.4	20.5	21.1	20.4	79.5	81.1	78.3	80.0
New Jersey	544.5	557.6	541.3	553.0	361.4	373.0	358.3	372.4	157.2	163.2	156.4	162.3	610.1	616.5	599.6	604.9
New Mexico	98.7	101.3	99.8	102.2	85.4	87.2	85.3	87.4	31.3	31.5	31.0	31.2	190.6	193.9	191.9	195.0
New York	1,479.2	1,509.3	1,471.5	1,501.8	709.4	724.8	707.4	722.7	352.6	358.1	351.2	356.7	1,446.7	1,447.5	1,424.0	1,426.2
North Carolina	444.0	456.3	448.0	459.1	364.3	368.1	361.2	366.2	171.8	175.5	172.3	174.9	581.4	590.0	632.4	626.4
North Dakota	48.9	49.7	48.8	49.6	32.3	32.9	32.5	32.7	15.2	14.8	15.2	14.8	64.3	64.2	66.1	65.9
Ohio	731.0	739.6	730.8	739.7	527.1	529.7	529.2	530.0	230.2	229.1	229.1	227.5	762.0	757.6	756.2	752.5
Oklahoma	176.7	179.7	177.4	181.9	131.3	132.7	131.9	132.4	74.0	75.2	73.7	74.7	283.9	292.0	288.8	295.8
Oregon	188.4	196.8	187.8	196.6	162.3	167.9	164.3	170.1	57.7	59.0	57.4	59.2	249.1	251.7	246.8	250.9
Pennsylvania	977.0	997.0	970.7	993.6	507.6	519.7	511.3	522.0	268.3	271.7	266.8	270.5	686.8	697.7	679.1	694.0
Rhode Island	89.2	92.6	89.0	92.4	56.0	57.7	55.8	57.7	23.9	24.1	23.7	24.2	61.8	62.2	61.7	61.6
South Carolina	179.2	183.6	180.0	185.2	210.6	215.7	207.7	212.2	69.5	67.3	68.2	66.3	298.2	296.8	319.9	321.3
South Dakota	56.0	56.3	56.0	56.4	45.3	46.5	46.8	47.9	16.6	16.5	16.6	16.6	69.7	70.6	69.7	70.5
Tennessee	317.2	323.6	318.5	324.9	263.1	266.0	264.3	267.2	102.2	103.1	101.8	102.7	390.0	391.6	399.6	401.3
Texas	1,136.4	1,163.1	1,144.2	1,170.5	906.5	919.6	906.8	919.0	364.1	368.1	362.3	367.4	1,570.3	1,581.6	1,583.9	1,596.6
Utah	119.7	124.3	120.6	125.3	104.5	107.5	105.1	107.8	34.0	34.6	33.9	34.5	185.3	188.8	186.8	190.1
Vermont	52.4	53.8	52.0	53.4	34.9	35.0	35.4	35.5	10.3	10.4	10.3	10.4	43.2	43.8	43.3	43.6
Virginia	364.3	371.0	364.9	370.4	342.1	346.9	340.6	346.3	183.3	183.2	181.9	182.9	629.9	634.3	625.3	628.0
Washington	313.8	323.8	313.6	324.0	266.0	271.5	267.2	273.3	102.1	103.7	101.9	104.0	504.3	510.1	490.6	495.5
West Virginia	109.4	110.6	109.6	110.1	71.0	71.6	71.1	71.7	55.3	55.8	55.0	55.5	140.0	140.0	140.1	140.0
Wisconsin	373.7	378.7	374.3	378.5	272.5	275.7	275.8	279.6	137.3	136.7	136.1	135.5	384.4	383.9	381.4	380.0
Wyoming	21.5	22.1	21.7	22.3	37.1	38.0	36.8	37.2	10.0	10.1	10.1	10.0	60.9	61.1	60.3	60.7
Puerto Rico	94.2	93.2	94.9	93.0	71.4	70.0	71.9	70.1	21.0	22.9	21.0	23.0	314.1	307.7	304.9	309.1

¹ Natural resources and mining is combined with construction.

P = preliminary.

NOTE: Data are counts of jobs by place of work. Estimates are currently projected

from 2004 benchmark levels. Estimates subsequent to the current benchmarks are provisional and will be revised when new information becomes available.

Chart 1. Unemployment rates by state, seasonally adjusted August 2005

(U.S. rate = 4.9 percent)

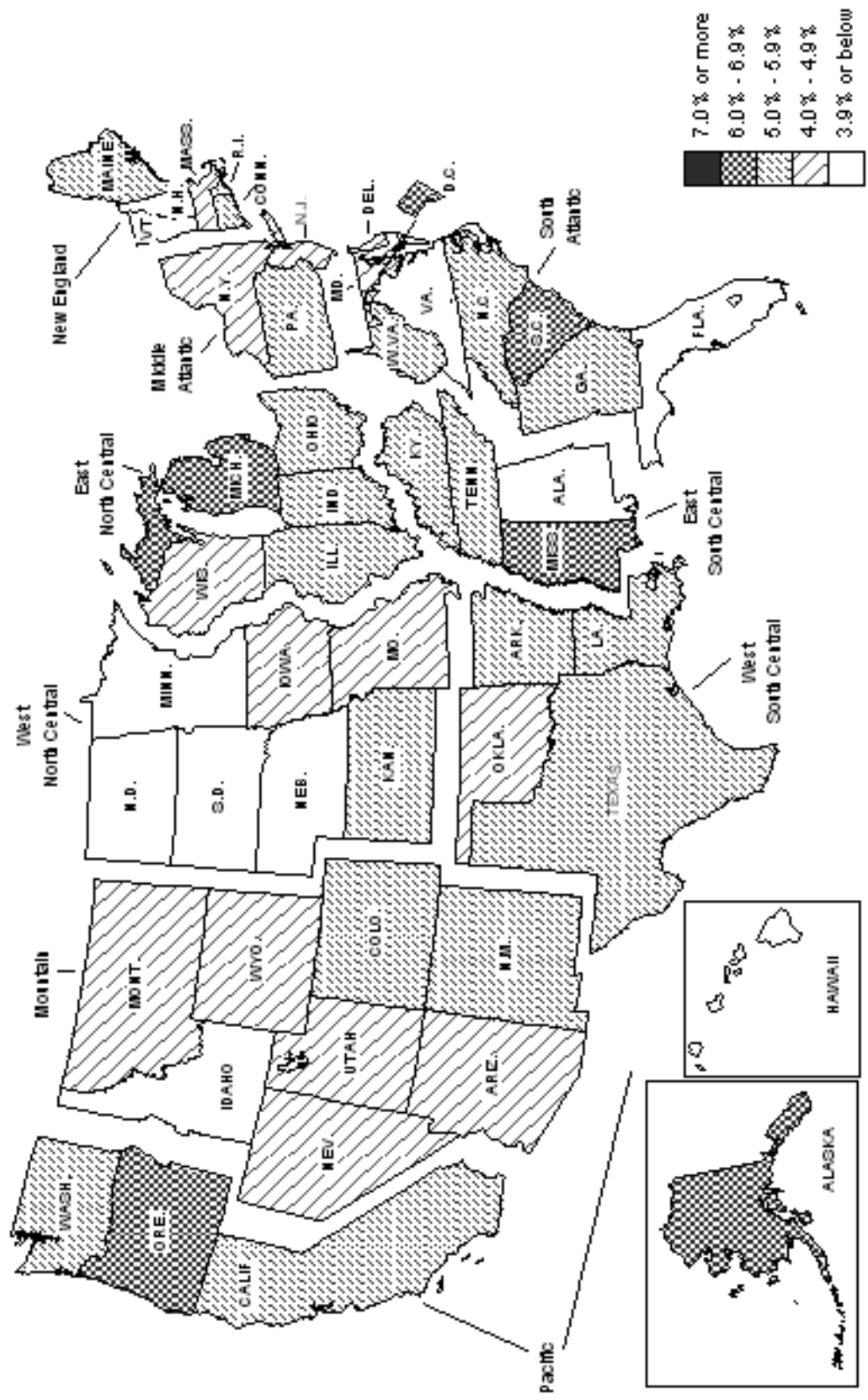


Chart 2. Percentage change in nonfarm employment by state, seasonally adjusted, August 2004 – August 2005

