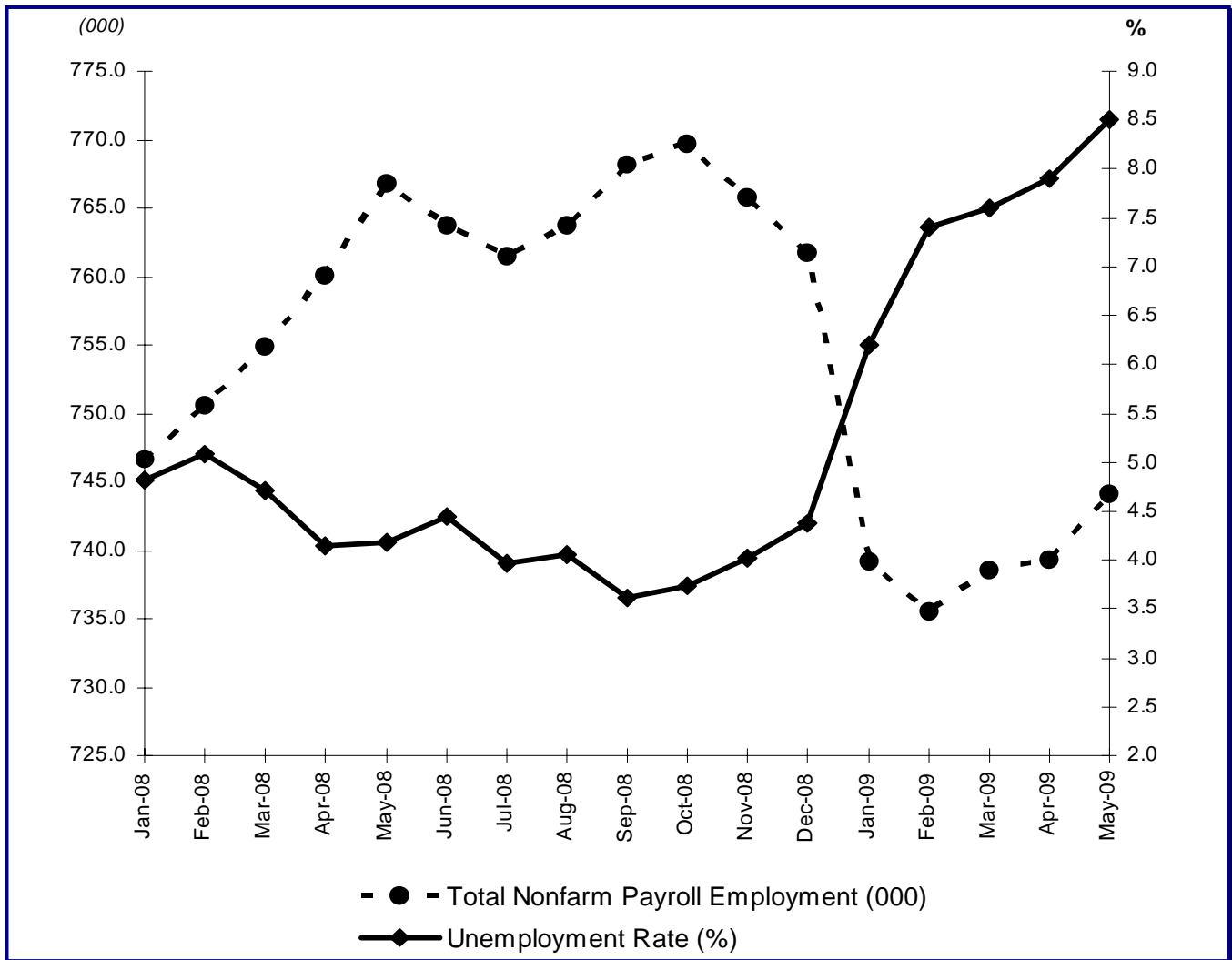


West Virginia Economic Summary

A REVIEW OF ECONOMIC ACTIVITY
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Reversal of Fortune



While the unemployment rate and total nonfarm payroll employment are not in direct correlation (the unemployment rate is resident-based and the total nonfarm payroll employment is establishment-based) one can see that growth in state employment contributes to lower unemployment rates. The recession has turned this pattern on its head, with plummeting state employment contributing to soaring unemployment rates.

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The year 2008 saw unprecedented economic growth in West Virginia. Total nonfarm payroll employment was at an all-time high, and while the civilian labor force was down a bit from its peak the year before, the unemployment rate set a record low in September of 3.6 percent. But the specter of the recession was poised to strike, bringing with it economic difficulties not seen in over a decade. Economically, the years 2008 and 2009 would become polar opposites. The reversal of fortune had begun.

It should be noted that total nonfarm payroll employment and the unemployment rate are not intrinsically connected. Total nonfarm payroll employment is an establishment-based number, while the civilian labor force, total employment, and total unemployment are resident-based. Yet it is perfectly logical to assume that higher nonfarm payroll employment will result in lower unemployment rates. And West Virginia saw record-setting nonfarm payroll employment numbers and unemployment rates in 2008. The third and fourth quarters of 2008 brought an especially healthy economic climate to the state. October saw the highest total nonfarm payroll employment on record at nearly 770,000, while September set a record for the lowest unemployment rate on record for the state at 3.6 percent.

Certain industry sectors produced astounding numbers in 2008. During the fourth quarter of that year, the mining and logging sector saw employment numbers reach levels not seen since the early 1990's. Construction also posted high levels of employment, continuing a trend that had begun several years before. Employment in manufacturing continued its downward crawl, but still maintained an employment level of over 56,000.

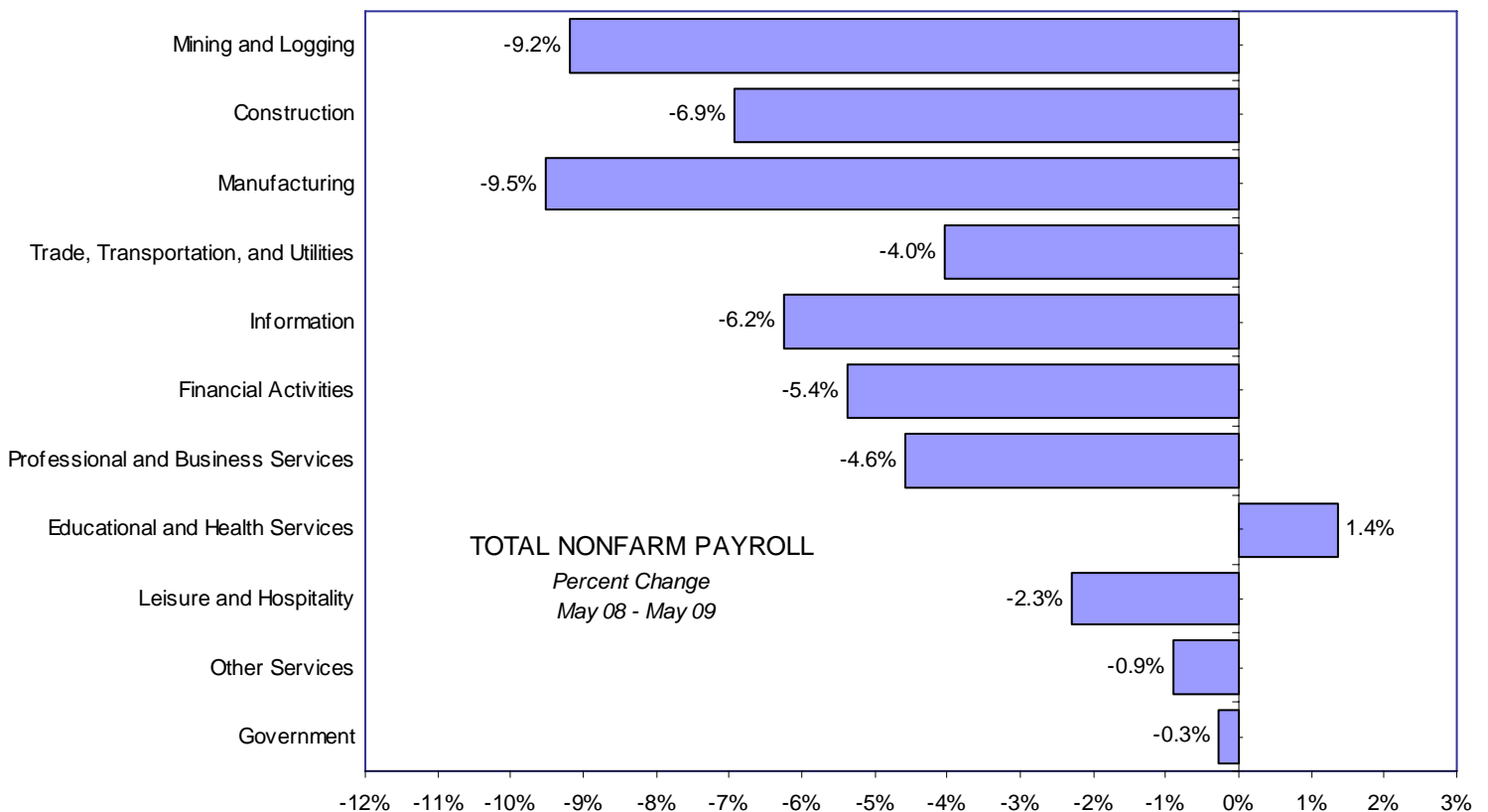
The service-providing industries proved a mixed bag as well. While employment in trade, transportation, and utilities maintained high levels, these numbers were never able to reach highs achieved in 2006 and 2007. Employment in professional and business services exhibited this same behavior, maintaining high levels but never able to reach highs recorded in previous years. On the other hand, the educational and health services sector recorded its employment high in November at 119,300. Employment in leisure and hospitality also set a record in 2008, reaching a peak of nearly 76,000 in August. These new records and high levels of employment would prove cold comfort as 2009 dawned.

January 2009 brought more snow to West Virginia than many residents had seen in years. Accompanying this harsh weather were layoffs, both seasonal and permanent. Total unemployment jumped 14,000 and the associated unemployment rate climbed to 6.2 percent, the highest rate in four years. This was just the beginning. Through May, total nonfarm payroll employment languished below 740,000, having reached a record of nearly 770,000 the previous autumn. Few industries were spared. Both manufacturing and trade saw massive layoffs and closures. The month of May saw manufacturing employment fall to 51,400, the lowest on record, while retail trade produced lows not recorded since 2003.

Total unemployment continued its climb, reflecting that West Virginians working both inside and outside the state were experiencing the recession full force. The unemployment rate climbed steadily, and by May had reached 8.5 percent, the highest unemployment rate for the state since 1997. Total unemployment climbed to nearly 68,000, almost twice the May 2008 total, the highest level of unemployment in the state since February 1996.

At the time of the writing of this article there is no indication that the unemployment rate will begin a drop soon. While layoffs and the filing of unemployment claims have slowed, the state is still reeling from the effects of a recession. Amidst this bad news, are there any bright spots?

While total nonfarm payroll employment has declined 34,200 between its peak in October 2008 to its lowest point so far this year in February, this loss is in no way comparable to the devastating blow the state suffered between 1979 and 1983 when 76,300 jobs disappeared. It was not until 1994 that nonfarm payroll employment was able to return to a 1979 level. At that time, West Virginia's economy contained large numbers of mining and manufacturing jobs which have since evaporated. Today, our economy is much more reliant on service-providing industries than goods-producing jobs and it is inconceivable that nonfarm payroll employment will take years to recover.



AT A GLANCE

Payroll Employment

Total nonfarm payroll employment rose 4,800 over the month of May 2009 to a level of 744,100. The goods-producing sector added 1,200 jobs, where a substantial gain of 2,200 in construction overpowered losses of 900 in mining and logging and 100 in manufacturing. The service-providing sector added 3,600 jobs, with gains of 2,500 in leisure and hospitality, 600 in government, 600 in other services, 400 in trade, transportation, and utilities, and 300 in educational and health services. Employment losses included 600 in professional and business services and 200 in financial activities. Information employment was unchanged over the month.

Since May 2008, total nonfarm payroll employment has plummeted 22,700. The goods-producing sector has plunged 10,900, with losses of 5,400 in manufacturing, 2,800 in mining and logging, and 2,700 in construction. The service-providing sector has fallen 11,800, with losses of 5,700 in trade, transportation, and utilities, 2,800 in professional and business services, 1,700 in leisure and hospitality, 1,600 in financial activities, 700 in information, 500 in other services, and 400 in government. Educational and health services added 1,600 jobs over the year.

Unemployment

The number of unemployed state residents climbed 4,900 to 67,700 in May. The corresponding unemployment rate rose six-tenths of a percentage point to 8.5 percent of the civilian labor force. Total unemployment has risen 33,800 since May 2008, when the rate was 4.2 percent and 33,900 were jobless. The state's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate jumped nine-tenths of a percentage point to 8.6 percent, while the national rate climbed one-half of a percentage point to 9.4 percent.

Hours and Earnings

Earnings for private sector production and nonsupervisory workers averaged \$15.63 in May, unchanged from the previous month. Hourly earnings were up 43 cents over the year. Average weekly earnings rose \$3.13 in May 2009 to \$539.24, and increased \$14.84 from the previous May. Average weekly hours were up over the month but unchanged over the year.

AVERAGE HOURS AND EARNINGS

	Avg. Weekly Earnings			Avg. Weekly Hours			Avg. Hourly Earnings		
	May 2009	Apr 2009	May 2008	May 2009	Apr 2009	May 2008	May 2009	Apr 2009	May 2008
PRIVATE SECTOR	\$539.24	\$536.11	\$524.40	34.5	34.3	34.5	\$15.63	\$15.63	\$15.20
Goods Producing	891.23	883.65	849.58	42.5	42.3	42.1	20.97	20.89	20.18
Mining and Logging	1,096.99	1,102.05	1,044.34	46.9	47.4	47.6	23.39	23.25	21.94
Construction	900.22	865.10	801.33	41.2	40.2	39.3	21.85	21.52	20.39
Manufacturing	769.16	772.19	783.87	41.0	40.9	41.3	18.76	18.88	18.98
Durable Goods	747.94	742.10	755.55	41.3	41.0	41.4	18.11	18.10	18.25
Nondurable Goods	807.17	819.71	837.56	40.5	40.6	41.3	19.93	20.19	20.28
Private Service-Providing	457.80	454.57	442.71	32.7	32.4	32.6	14.00	14.03	13.58
Trade, Transportation, & Utilities	472.50	466.41	478.55	35.0	34.6	35.9	13.50	13.48	13.33
Wholesale Trade	694.04	695.02	688.92	39.3	39.4	40.1	17.66	17.64	17.18
Retail Trade	345.35	341.00	358.07	31.8	31.4	32.7	10.86	10.86	10.95
Financial Activities	463.75	456.63	434.45	34.2	33.9	33.6	13.56	13.47	12.93
Finance & Insurance	489.26	481.25	449.44	35.3	35.0	34.1	13.86	13.75	13.18
Real Estate & Rental & Leasing	388.10	381.25	395.28	30.9	30.5	32.4	12.56	12.50	12.20
Professional & Business Services	578.68	579.57	550.72	36.1	35.6	34.9	16.03	16.28	15.78
Health Care									
Health Care & Social Assistance	541.46	539.79	518.15	33.3	33.3	33.3	16.26	16.21	15.56
Leisure & Hospitality									
Accommodation & Food Service	237.05	228.65	201.96	27.5	26.9	26.4	8.62	8.50	7.65

LABOR FORCE AND NONFARM PAYROLL EMPLOYMENT

	<i>Prelim. May 2009</i>	<i>Revised Apr 2009</i>	<i>Revised May 2008</i>	<i>Change From: Apr May 2009 2008</i>	
LABOR FORCE STATISTICS					
Civilian Labor Force	796.0	793.0	813.2	3.0	-17.2
Total Employment	728.3	730.2	779.3	-1.9	-51.0
Total Unemployment	67.7	62.8	33.9	4.9	33.8
Unemployment Rate	8.5	7.9	4.2	xx	xx
NONFARM PAYROLL EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY					
TOTAL NONFARM PAYROLL	744.1	739.3	766.8	4.8	-22.7
PRIVATE SECTOR	594.3	590.1	616.6	4.2	-22.3
GOODS-PRODUCING	115.4	114.2	126.3	1.2	-10.9
Mining and Logging	27.7	28.6	30.5	-0.9	-2.8
Construction	36.3	34.1	39.0	2.2	-2.7
Manufacturing	51.4	51.5	56.8	-0.1	-5.4
Durable Goods	31.8	31.4	35.6	0.4	-3.8
Nondurable Goods	19.6	20.1	21.2	-0.5	-1.6
SERVICE-PROVIDING	628.7	625.1	640.5	3.6	-11.8
Private Service-Providing	478.9	475.9	490.3	3.0	-11.4
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	135.7	135.3	141.4	0.4	-5.7
Wholesale Trade	23.3	23.4	24.8	-0.1	-1.5
Retail Trade	85.8	85.3	89.3	0.5	-3.5
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	26.6	26.6	27.3	0.0	-0.7
Information	10.5	10.5	11.2	0.0	-0.7
Financial Activities	28.2	28.4	29.8	-0.2	-1.6
Finance and Insurance	21.0	21.3	22.3	-0.3	-1.3
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	7.2	7.1	7.5	0.1	-0.3
Professional and Business Services	58.3	58.9	61.1	-0.6	-2.8
Professional, Scientific and Technical Service	23.9	24.2	24.6	-0.3	-0.7
Management of Companies and Enterprises	5.1	5.0	5.0	0.1	0.1
Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation	29.3	29.7	31.5	-0.4	-2.2
Educational and Health Services	118.1	117.8	116.5	0.3	1.6
Educational Services	10.2	10.3	10.7	-0.1	-0.5
Health Care and Social Assistance	107.9	107.5	105.8	0.4	2.1
Leisure and Hospitality	72.4	69.9	74.1	2.5	-1.7
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	9.0	8.1	9.3	0.9	-0.3
Accommodation and Food Service	63.4	61.8	64.8	1.6	-1.4
Other Services	55.7	55.1	56.2	0.6	-0.5
Government	149.8	149.2	150.2	0.6	-0.4
Federal Government	23.3	23.4	22.9	-0.1	0.4
State Government	48.0	47.8	48.9	0.2	-0.9
Local Government	78.5	78.0	78.4	0.5	0.1
Labor-Management Dispute Status	0.0	0.0	0.0	xx	xx

March 2008 benchmark
Data in thousands

	May 2008	June 2008	July 2008	Aug 2008	Sept 2008	Oct 2008	Nov 2008	Dec 2008	Jan 2009	Feb 2009	Mar 2009	Apr 2009	May 2009
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LABOR FORCE STATISTICS - Seasonally adjusted

Civilian Labor Force	807.3	806.4	804.8	804.2	804.8	804.4	804.3	805.5	798.5	794.1	792.7	795.0	794.8
Employment	772.3	771.7	771.2	770.7	770.4	770.0	769.8	769.6	756.8	746.5	739.1	734.0	726.3
Unemployment	35.1	34.7	33.6	33.4	34.5	34.4	34.6	35.9	41.8	47.6	53.5	61.0	68.5
Unemployment Rate	4.3	4.3	4.2	4.2	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.5	5.2	6.0	6.8	7.7	8.6

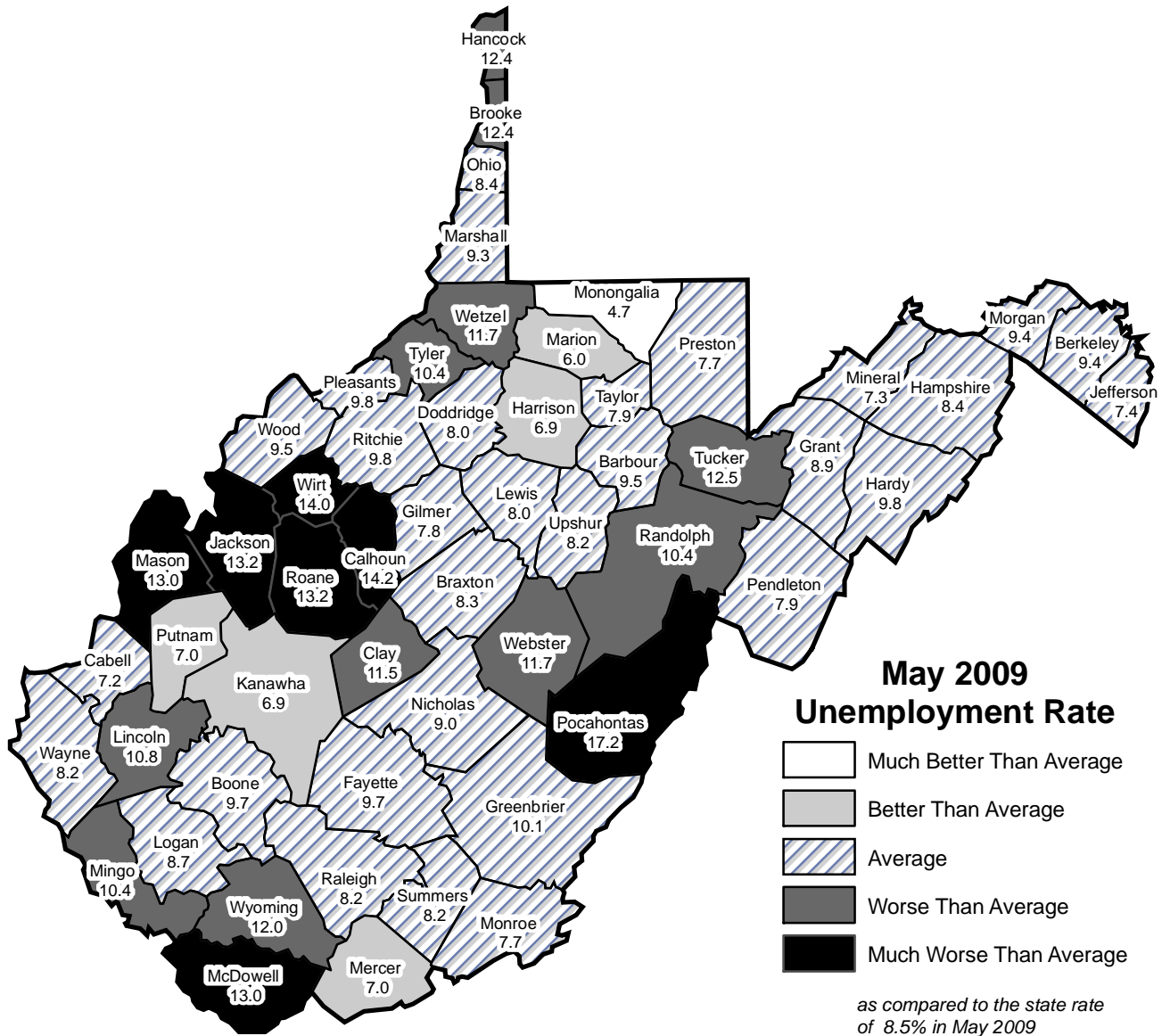
NONFARM PAYROLL EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY - Seasonally Adjusted

TOTAL NONFARM PAYROLL	762.2	758.4	762.9	763.1	763.7	762.9	759.2	757.4	755.4	748.8	744.2	738.8	738.0
PRIVATE SECTOR	614.6	613.5	616.0	616.0	616.1	615.1	611.7	610.2	609.1	602.5	598.1	591.9	591.1
GOODS-PRODUCING	125.4	125.2	126.2	126.9	127.2	126.2	124.9	124.6	123.9	121.9	119.4	114.9	114.3
Mining & Logging	30.5	30.7	31.0	31.5	31.7	31.8	31.8	31.9	31.8	31.6	31.1	28.8	27.7
Construction	38.1	37.9	38.9	39.3	39.7	38.7	38.0	37.9	37.8	37.0	36.0	34.4	35.2
Manufacturing	56.8	56.6	56.3	56.1	55.8	55.7	55.1	54.8	54.3	53.3	52.3	51.7	51.4
Nondurable Goods	21.2	21.1	21.0	20.9	20.8	21.1	21.0	21.0	20.9	20.2	20.1	20.2	19.6
SERVICE-PROVIDING	636.8	633.2	636.7	636.2	636.5	636.7	634.3	632.8	631.5	626.9	624.8	623.9	623.7
Private Service-Providing	489.2	488.3	489.8	489.1	488.9	488.9	486.8	485.6	485.2	480.6	478.7	477.0	476.8
Trade, Transportation, & Utilities	141.9	142.1	142.5	142.2	142.0	141.3	140.1	139.9	140.0	138.5	137.6	136.5	135.7
Wholesale Trade	24.8	24.8	24.8	24.8	24.8	24.8	25.0	25.1	24.8	24.0	23.6	23.3	23.1
Retail Trade	89.9	90.0	90.1	89.9	89.7	89.1	87.9	87.5	88.1	87.5	87.2	86.5	86.0
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities	27.2	27.3	27.6	27.5	27.5	27.4	27.2	27.3	27.1	27.0	26.8	26.7	26.6
Financial Activities	29.8	29.7	29.6	29.6	29.6	29.7	29.4	29.5	29.1	28.7	28.5	28.3	28.1
Real Estate & Rental & Leasing	7.5	7.4	7.4	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.4	7.5	7.4	7.3	7.1	7.0	7.1
Professional & Business Services	61.0	60.7	60.8	60.5	60.4	60.3	60.0	60.0	59.9	58.7	58.4	58.5	57.9
Professional, Scientific & Technical Services	24.8	24.7	24.7	24.8	24.8	24.7	24.8	24.8	24.5	24.0	24.0	24.0	24.1
Administrative & Support & Waste Management	31.3	31.1	31.0	30.8	30.7	30.7	30.2	30.3	30.2	29.5	29.2	29.5	28.7
Educational & Health Service	116.4	116.8	117.1	117.2	117.4	117.8	117.7	117.1	117.6	116.8	117.2	117.7	117.9
Educational Services	10.4	10.5	10.5	10.4	10.5	10.4	10.3	10.0	10.3	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.9
Health Care & Social Assistance	106.0	106.3	106.6	106.8	106.9	107.4	107.4	107.1	107.3	107.1	107.5	108.0	108.0
Leisure & Hospitality	72.9	72.0	72.7	72.5	72.7	73.0	72.9	72.5	72.2	72.0	71.5	70.5	71.4
Arts, Entertainment, & Recreation	8.9	8.7	8.8	8.9	8.9	9.4	9.3	9.1	9.1	8.9	8.7	8.5	8.5
Accommodation & Food Service	64.0	63.3	63.9	63.6	63.8	63.6	63.6	63.4	63.1	63.1	62.8	62.0	62.9
Other Services	56.0	55.8	55.9	55.9	55.7	55.8	55.7	55.7	55.7	55.3	55.0	55.0	55.3
Government	147.6	144.9	146.9	147.1	147.6	147.8	147.5	147.2	146.3	146.3	146.1	146.9	146.9
Federal Government	22.9	22.8	23.0	23.1	23.1	23.3	23.0	23.1	23.4	23.3	23.2	23.4	23.3
State Government	47.5	44.3	46.7	46.5	47.0	46.8	46.8	46.9	46.4	46.1	45.9	46.2	46.3
Local Government	77.2	77.8	77.2	77.5	77.5	77.7	77.7	77.2	76.5	76.9	77.0	77.3	77.3

METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS NONFARM PAYROLL EMPLOYMENT Seasonally Adjusted

Charleston	151.2	151.4	152.2	152.3	152.5	152.9	152.8	152.1	151.9	150.9	149.6	149.4	149.3
Huntington	119.3	118.7	119.4	119.9	119.6	119.7	119.2	118.6	119.1	118.6	118.4	117.6	118.3
Morgantown	63.0	62.4	62.7	62.5	63.4	64.4	63.7	63.0	62.9	63.1	63.2	62.3	62.4
Parkersburg	72.8	73.0	72.8	72.5	72.5	72.6	72.4	72.6	72.6	72.2	72.2	71.5	71.4
Wheeling	68.1	68.2	68.5	68.5	68.3	68.2	68.2	68.2	68.4	68.1	68.0	67.5	67.4

March 2008 benchmark
Data in thousands



The state unemployment rate climbed six-tenths of a percentage point to 8.5 percent in May 2009. The majority of counties reported increasing unemployment rates as well. The number of counties recording an unemployment rate considered much worse than average when compared to the state rate was unchanged in May. This group included Mason (13.0), McDowell (13.0), Roane (13.2), Jackson (13.2), Wirt (14.0), Calhoun (14.2), and Pocahontas (17.2).

The number of counties recording an unemployment rate considered better than average when compared to the state rate declined slightly. This group included Mercer (7.0), Putnam (7.0), Harrison (6.9), Kanawha (6.9), and Marion (6.0). Once again, Monongalia (4.7) was the sole county recording an unemployment rate considered much better than average when compared to the state rate.

Labor Force Data by County

	Civilian Labor Force			Total Employment			Total Unemployment			Rate		
	May 2009	Apr 2009	May 2008	May 2009	Apr 2009	May 2008	May 2009	Apr 2009	May 2008	May 2009	Apr 2009	May 2008
Barbour	6,680	6,840	6,870	6,050	6,250	6,550	640	590	320	9.5	8.6	4.7
Berkeley	44,760	44,460	46,190	40,550	40,620	44,010	4,210	3,850	2,180	9.4	8.7	4.7
Boone	9,420	9,360	9,440	8,510	8,550	9,070	910	810	380	9.7	8.7	4.0
Braxton	5,780	5,830	5,930	5,300	5,290	5,670	480	550	260	8.3	9.4	4.4
Brooke	11,060	11,020	11,210	9,690	9,760	10,610	1,380	1,260	600	12.4	11.4	5.4
Cabell	44,200	43,960	45,270	41,010	41,150	43,550	3,200	2,820	1,720	7.2	6.4	3.8
Calhoun	2,830	2,830	2,780	2,430	2,440	2,630	400	390	160	14.2	13.7	5.6
Clay	3,470	3,460	3,470	3,070	3,090	3,280	400	370	190	11.5	10.7	5.5
Doddridge	2,780	2,780	2,860	2,550	2,560	2,730	220	220	130	8.0	7.9	4.5
Fayette	17,620	17,340	18,190	15,920	15,900	17,400	1,700	1,440	790	9.7	8.3	4.3
Gilmer	3,080	3,040	3,180	2,840	2,830	3,070	240	210	110	7.8	6.8	3.5
Grant	5,120	5,130	5,180	4,670	4,710	4,940	450	420	240	8.9	8.1	4.6
Greenbrier	14,860	14,880	15,200	13,350	13,220	14,480	1,510	1,660	720	10.1	11.1	4.7
Hampshire	9,110	9,110	9,530	8,340	8,350	9,170	770	760	360	8.4	8.3	3.8
Hancock	14,590	14,580	14,800	12,780	12,880	14,000	1,810	1,700	800	12.4	11.7	5.4
Hardy	6,610	6,620	6,820	5,960	6,010	6,540	650	600	280	9.8	9.1	4.1
Harrison	30,070	30,020	31,120	28,010	28,100	29,970	2,070	1,920	1,150	6.9	6.4	3.7
Jackson	11,720	11,650	12,050	10,180	10,220	11,460	1,540	1,430	580	13.2	12.3	4.8
Jefferson	24,200	24,030	25,020	22,410	22,410	24,090	1,800	1,620	930	7.4	6.7	3.7
Kanawha	89,670	89,430	92,120	83,440	83,840	88,940	6,230	5,590	3,180	6.9	6.3	3.5
Lewis	7,370	7,310	7,400	6,780	6,810	7,110	590	510	290	8.0	6.9	3.9
Lincoln	8,030	8,060	8,010	7,160	7,190	7,630	870	860	380	10.8	10.7	4.7
Logan	13,470	13,300	13,080	12,300	12,290	12,550	1,170	1,010	530	8.7	7.6	4.1
McDowell	7,610	7,520	7,230	6,620	6,600	6,810	990	920	420	13.0	12.3	5.8
Marion	25,650	25,560	26,640	24,110	24,190	25,720	1,540	1,370	920	6.0	5.4	3.5
Marshall	14,660	14,680	14,870	13,300	13,360	14,190	1,370	1,320	670	9.3	9.0	4.5
Mason	10,110	10,050	10,150	8,790	8,830	9,470	1,320	1,220	680	13.0	12.1	6.7
Mercer	24,940	24,810	25,200	23,190	23,190	24,230	1,750	1,620	970	7.0	6.5	3.8
Mineral	13,110	13,050	13,560	12,160	12,190	12,990	960	850	570	7.3	6.5	4.2
Mingo	8,810	8,730	8,970	7,890	8,010	8,600	920	720	370	10.4	8.2	4.1
Monongalia	47,380	47,080	49,260	45,150	45,140	47,920	2,230	1,930	1,350	4.7	4.1	2.7
Monroe	5,770	5,820	5,840	5,320	5,370	5,600	440	450	250	7.7	7.8	4.2
Morgan	6,850	6,840	7,120	6,210	6,220	6,740	650	630	380	9.4	9.1	5.4
Nicholas	10,660	10,620	10,730	9,700	9,730	10,260	960	900	470	9.0	8.4	4.4
Ohio	20,830	20,770	21,200	19,070	19,160	20,360	1,750	1,610	840	8.4	7.8	4.0
Pendleton	3,610	3,600	3,710	3,320	3,330	3,550	290	270	160	7.9	7.4	4.2
Pleasants	3,090	3,120	3,150	2,780	2,790	2,990	300	320	160	9.8	10.3	5.1
Pocahontas	3,490	3,450	3,400	2,880	2,790	3,070	600	650	330	17.2	19.0	9.7
Preston	15,150	15,090	15,380	13,980	13,970	14,830	1,170	1,120	550	7.7	7.4	3.5
Putnam	26,870	26,900	27,530	24,970	25,090	26,620	1,890	1,810	910	7.0	6.7	3.3
Raleigh	31,990	31,750	32,910	29,380	29,440	31,630	2,620	2,310	1,280	8.2	7.3	3.9
Randolph	12,360	12,370	12,810	11,070	11,130	12,090	1,290	1,240	720	10.4	10.0	5.6
Ritchie	4,460	4,510	4,570	4,020	4,070	4,330	440	440	240	9.8	9.8	5.1
Roane	5,630	5,640	5,530	4,890	4,910	5,200	740	730	330	13.2	13.0	6.0
Summers	4,580	4,500	4,680	4,210	4,140	4,470	370	370	210	8.2	8.1	4.5
Taylor	6,820	6,790	7,020	6,280	6,300	6,720	540	490	290	7.9	7.2	4.2
Tucker	2,880	2,840	2,810	2,520	2,470	2,650	360	360	170	12.5	12.8	6.0
Tyler	3,570	3,560	3,600	3,190	3,180	3,410	370	380	190	10.4	10.6	5.3
Upshur	10,540	10,690	10,750	9,680	9,710	10,300	860	980	450	8.2	9.1	4.2
Wayne	17,270	17,190	17,650	15,840	15,900	16,830	1,420	1,290	820	8.2	7.5	4.7
Webster	3,330	3,330	3,340	2,940	2,930	3,140	390	390	200	11.7	11.8	6.0
Wetzel	6,420	6,270	6,240	5,670	5,520	5,850	750	760	380	11.7	12.1	6.1
Wirt	2,540	2,530	2,490	2,190	2,190	2,350	360	330	150	14.0	13.1	5.9
Wood	40,480	40,330	41,180	36,610	36,750	39,300	3,860	3,580	1,880	9.5	8.9	4.6
Wyoming	8,030	7,990	7,970	7,070	7,150	7,610	960	840	360	12.0	10.5	4.6
Statewide	796,000	793,000	813,200	728,300	730,200	779,300	67,700	62,800	33,900	8.5	7.9	4.2

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Nonfarm Payroll Employment by County

	Total Nonfarm Payroll			Goods-Producing			Service-Providing		
	May	Apr	May	May	Apr	May	May	Apr	May
	2009	2009	2008	2009	2009	2008	2009	2009	2008
Barbour	3,920	4,080	4,070	600	600	600	3,320	3,480	3,470
Berkeley	29,400	29,220	30,580	3,020	2,930	3,580	26,380	26,290	27,000
Boone	9,230	9,270	9,040	4,020	4,140	4,190	5,210	5,130	4,840
Braxton	4,460	4,410	4,530	740	700	790	3,720	3,710	3,730
Brooke	9,070	9,360	9,290	1,950	2,250	2,380	7,120	7,110	6,910
Cabell	55,450	55,350	56,120	7,460	7,490	7,930	47,990	47,870	48,190
Calhoun	1,570	1,560	1,620	360	360	420	1,210	1,200	1,210
Clay	2,020	2,060	2,250	420	420	630	1,590	1,630	1,620
Doddridge	1,360	1,360	1,340	200	200	200	1,160	1,160	1,140
Fayette	13,200	13,020	13,830	1,950	1,960	2,000	11,250	11,070	11,830
Gilmer	2,380	2,360	2,450	500	490	530	1,890	1,870	1,920
Grant	4,290	4,330	4,280	1,330	1,370	1,320	2,960	2,960	2,960
Greenbrier	13,910	13,650	14,390	1,610	1,590	1,790	12,310	12,060	12,600
Hampshire	4,430	4,400	4,500	450	430	510	3,970	3,970	4,000
Hancock	12,190	12,130	12,670	3,000	2,990	3,040	9,190	9,140	9,620
Hardy	6,100	6,120	6,420	3,100	3,120	3,330	3,000	2,990	3,100
Harrison	34,840	34,620	35,230	4,590	4,500	4,860	30,250	30,120	30,380
Jackson	8,450	8,430	9,250	1,920	1,920	2,740	6,530	6,500	6,510
Jefferson	14,860	14,690	15,240	1,680	1,640	1,740	13,180	13,050	13,490
Kanawha	114,350	113,920	115,520	12,050	11,660	12,140	102,300	102,270	103,390
Lewis	6,500	6,490	6,440	1,080	1,110	1,120	5,430	5,370	5,320
Lincoln	3,600	3,590	3,540	830	830	790	2,770	2,760	2,760
Logan	12,870	12,730	12,280	2,880	2,890	2,650	9,990	9,840	9,620
McDowell	6,880	6,790	6,660	1,790	1,780	1,600	5,090	5,010	5,070
Marion	22,450	22,350	22,730	3,960	3,930	4,440	18,490	18,420	18,290
Marshall	11,380	11,340	11,470	2,940	2,920	3,080	8,440	8,420	8,390
Mason	7,140	7,140	7,110	970	930	860	6,160	6,210	6,250
Mercer	23,930	23,790	23,920	2,300	2,300	2,340	21,630	21,490	21,580
Mineral	8,480	8,430	8,190	2,400	2,400	2,220	6,070	6,030	5,970
Mingo	8,930	9,040	9,400	3,190	3,250	3,810	5,740	5,790	5,590
Monongalia	56,050	55,590	55,870	6,200	6,120	6,280	49,860	49,470	49,590
Monroe	2,540	2,550	2,500	620	620	640	1,920	1,940	1,860
Morgan	3,180	3,170	3,200	430	430	480	2,750	2,740	2,720
Nicholas	9,430	9,410	9,430	2,170	2,190	2,180	7,260	7,210	7,260
Ohio	31,550	31,460	32,110	2,490	2,450	2,550	29,060	29,010	29,560
Pendleton	1,900	1,900	1,960	160	160	190	1,740	1,740	1,780
Pleasants	3,250	3,170	3,350	840	840	980	2,410	2,330	2,370
Pocahontas	3,140	3,020	3,190	490	490	530	2,650	2,540	2,670
Preston	7,450	7,370	7,940	1,320	1,320	1,890	6,130	6,050	6,060
Putnam	20,690	20,690	21,510	4,760	4,790	5,420	15,930	15,900	16,100
Raleigh	33,100	32,900	33,810	4,610	4,660	4,540	28,490	28,240	29,270
Randolph	12,240	12,260	12,770	2,080	2,060	2,440	10,160	10,190	10,320
Ritchie	3,430	3,460	3,510	1,500	1,510	1,520	1,930	1,950	2,000
Roane	3,550	3,550	3,560	710	690	760	2,840	2,860	2,800
Summers	2,720	2,650	2,740	140	140	150	2,580	2,510	2,590
Taylor	3,000	2,980	3,230	190	180	400	2,810	2,800	2,830
Tucker	2,740	2,660	2,710	400	380	450	2,330	2,280	2,260
Tyler	2,650	2,660	2,740	810	810	780	1,850	1,850	1,960
Upshur	9,040	9,000	9,140	2,180	2,200	2,340	6,860	6,800	6,800
Wayne	10,540	10,470	10,330	1,970	1,960	1,920	8,570	8,500	8,410
Webster	2,550	2,530	2,620	740	750	730	1,810	1,790	1,890
Wetzel	5,350	5,110	5,160	780	540	490	4,570	4,570	4,670
Wirt	930	910	870	210	210	180	720	710	700
Wood	41,880	41,980	42,290	6,180	6,150	6,240	35,700	35,830	36,050
Wyoming	5,480	5,520	5,630	1,270	1,350	1,400	4,210	4,170	4,230
Statewide	744,100	739,300	766,800	115,400	114,200	126,300	628,700	625,100	640,500

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Population and Per Capita Income by County

	<u>2000 Census</u>	<u>Population Estimated July 1, 2008</u>	<u>Change from 2000 to July 1, 2008 Estimate</u>		<u>Per capita Personal Income 2006</u>
			<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>	
Barbour	15,557	15,600	43	0.3	\$22,653
Berkeley	75,905	102,044	26,139	34.4	28,085
Boone	25,535	24,977	-558	-2.2	23,495
Braxton	14,702	14,700	-2	0.0	20,293
Brooke	25,447	23,520	-1,927	-7.6	26,997
Cabell	96,785	94,631	-2,154	-2.2	29,580
Calhoun	7,582	7,212	-370	-4.9	19,753
Clay	10,330	10,075	-255	-2.5	18,110
Doddridge	7,403	7,201	-202	-2.7	20,737
Fayette	47,579	46,341	-1,238	-2.6	23,930
Gilmer	7,160	6,873	-287	-4.0	23,665
Grant	11,299	12,047	748	6.6	25,150
Greenbrier	34,453	34,567	114	0.3	27,465
Hampshire	20,202	22,574	2,372	11.7	22,320
Hancock	32,667	30,008	-2,659	-8.1	27,770
Hardy	12,669	13,591	922	7.3	23,626
Harrison	68,651	68,853	202	0.3	31,333
Jackson	28,000	28,157	157	0.6	24,424
Jefferson	42,190	51,615	9,425	22.3	33,990
Kanawha	200,076	191,018	-9,058	-4.5	36,879
Lewis	16,919	17,281	362	2.1	25,604
Lincoln	22,108	22,386	278	1.3	20,445
Logan	37,710	35,525	-2,185	-5.8	27,302
McDowell	27,329	22,707	-4,622	-16.9	19,898
Marion	56,598	56,496	-102	-0.2	28,738
Marshall	35,519	32,766	-2,753	-7.8	27,458
Mason	25,959	25,678	-281	-1.1	23,825
Mercer	62,980	61,500	-1,480	-2.3	27,231
Mineral	27,078	26,795	-283	-1.0	25,795
Mingo	28,253	26,352	-1,901	-6.7	25,150
Monongalia	81,867	88,221	6,354	7.8	31,742
Monroe	13,194	13,739	545	4.1	22,131
Morgan	14,943	16,325	1,382	9.2	32,510
Nicholas	26,562	26,137	-425	-1.6	24,432
Ohio	47,433	44,106	-3,327	-7.0	34,901
Pendleton	8,196	7,582	-614	-7.5	26,081
Pleasants	7,514	7,150	-364	-4.8	28,215
Pocahontas	9,131	8,472	-659	-7.2	25,926
Preston	29,334	30,285	951	3.2	25,020
Putnam	51,586	55,488	3,902	7.6	31,674
Raleigh	79,220	79,357	137	0.2	28,828
Randolph	28,262	28,264	2	0.0	27,671
Ritchie	10,343	10,308	-35	-0.3	25,207
Roane	15,443	15,169	-274	-1.8	21,163
Summers	14,388	13,017	-1,371	-9.5	20,383
Taylor	16,089	16,158	69	0.4	22,780
Tucker	7,321	6,877	-444	-6.1	25,416
Tyler	9,592	8,841	-751	-7.8	22,061
Upshur	23,404	23,582	178	0.8	23,223
Wayne	42,903	41,082	-1,821	-4.2	23,412
Webster	9,719	9,394	-325	-3.3	20,298
Wetzel	17,693	16,329	-1,364	-7.7	26,039
Wirt	5,873	5,757	-116	-2.0	18,717
Wood	87,982	86,204	-1,778	-2.0	28,900
Wyoming	25,708	23,534	-2,174	-8.5	23,462
West Virginia	1,808,345	1814468	6,123	0.3	\$28,206
United States	281,424,602	304,059,724	22,635,122	8.0	\$36,714

Metropolitan Statistical Areas

Charleston Metropolitan Statistical Area

Demographics:

Area:	Boone, Clay, Kanawha, Lincoln and Putnam counties in West Virginia
Total Population July 1, 2008:	303,944
Population 16 years and Over (based on 2000 census):	248,410
Per capita Personal Income 2006:	\$33,010

Labor Force:

<i>In thousands, not seasonally adjusted</i>	May 2009	Apr 2009	May 2008
Civilian Labor Force	137.5	137.2	140.6
Total Employment	127.2	127.8	135.5
Total Unemployment	10.3	9.4	5.0
Unemployment Rate	7.5	6.9	3.6

Nonfarm Payroll Employment:

	May 2009	Apr 2009	May 2008
Total Nonfarm	150.1	149.6	151.8
Total Private	122.2	121.7	124.1
Goods Producing	22.1	21.8	23.1
Natural Resources, Mining & Construction	16.3	16.0	16.9
Manufacturing	5.8	5.8	6.2
Durable Goods	3.0	3.0	3.3
Nondurable Goods	2.8	2.8	2.9
Service-Providing	128.0	127.8	128.7
Private Service-Providing	100.1	99.9	101.0
Trade, Transportation, & Utilities	28.3	28.2	28.7
Wholesale Trade	5.8	5.8	5.9
Retail Trade	15.8	15.7	16.0
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities	6.7	6.7	6.8
Information	2.7	2.7	2.8
Financial Activities	8.0	8.0	8.1
Professional & Business Services	14.4	14.4	15.4
Educational & Health Service	22.8	22.8	21.6
Leisure & Hospitality	12.1	12.1	12.6
Other Services	11.8	11.7	11.8
Government	27.9	27.9	27.7
Federal Government	2.7	2.7	2.7
State Government	11.8	11.8	11.7
Local Government	13.4	13.4	13.3
Labor-Management Dispute Status	0.0	0.0	0.0

Huntington-Ashland Metropolitan Statistical Area

Demographics:

Area:	Cabell and Wayne counties in West Virginia; Lawrence County in Ohio; Greenup and Boyd counties in Kentucky
Total Population July 1, 2008:	284,234
Population 16 years and Over (based on 2000 census):	232,229
Per capita Personal Income 2006:	\$27,145

Labor Force:

<i>In thousands, not seasonally adjusted</i>	May 2009	Apr 2009	May 2008
Civilian Labor Force	132.4	131.4	132.3
Total Employment	121.7	121.6	125.9
Total Unemployment	10.6	9.7	6.5
Unemployment Rate	8.0	7.4	4.9

Nonfarm Payroll Employment:

	May 2009	Apr 2009	May 2008
Total Nonfarm	118.7	118.1	119.5
Total Private	97.9	97.3	99.3
Goods Producing	16.5	16.4	17.3
Manufacturing	8.6	8.7	9.9
Service-Providing	102.2	101.7	102.2
Private Service-Providing	81.4	80.9	82.0
Retail Trade	15.3	15.2	15.8
Professional & Business Services	9.9	9.9	10.3
Educational & Health Service	24.1	24.1	23.3
Leisure & Hospitality	11.1	10.8	11.5
Government	20.8	20.8	20.2
Federal Government	3.2	3.2	2.9
State Government	5.8	5.8	5.6
Local Government	11.8	11.8	11.7
Labor-Management Dispute Status	0.0	0.0	0.0

Morgantown Metropolitan Statistical Area

Demographics:

Area: Monongalia and Preston counties in West Virginia
 Total Population July 1, 2008: 118,506
 Population 16 years and Over
 (based on 2000 census): 92,050
 Per capita Personal Income 2006: \$30,011

Labor Force Data:

<i>In thousands, not seasonally adjusted</i>	May 2009	Apr 2009	May 2008
Civilian Labor Force	62.5	62.2	64.6
Total Employment	59.1	59.1	62.8
Total Unemployment	3.4	3.1	1.9
Unemployment Rate	5.4	4.9	2.9

Nonfarm Payroll Employment:

<i>*In Thousands</i>	May 2009	Apr 2009	May 2008
Total Nonfarm	63.5	63.0	63.9
Total Private	45.2	44.9	45.3
Goods Producing	7.5	7.4	8.2
Manufacturing	3.9	3.9	4.2
Service-Providing	56.0	55.6	55.7
Private Service-Providing	37.7	37.5	37.1
Retail Trade	6.7	6.7	6.6
Professional & Business Services	4.5	4.5	4.5
Educational & Health Service	12.6	12.5	12.2
Leisure & Hospitality	6.9	6.7	6.2
Government	18.3	18.1	18.6
Federal Government	1.9	1.9	1.9
State Government	12.0	11.9	12.5
Local Government	4.4	4.3	4.2
Labor-Management Dispute Status	0.0	0.0	0.0

Parkersburg-Marietta Metropolitan Statistical Area

Demographics:

Area: Pleasants, Wirt, Wood counties in West Virginia
 Washington County in Ohio
 Total Population July 1, 2008: 160,678
 Population 16 years and Over
 (based on 2000 census): 130,971
 Per capita Personal Income 2006: \$28,285

Labor Force Data:

<i>In thousands, not seasonally adjusted</i>	May 2009	Apr 2009	May 2008
Civilian Labor Force	79.5	79.4	79.8
Total Employment	71.9	72.0	76.0
Total Unemployment	7.5	7.4	3.7
Unemployment Rate	9.5	9.3	4.7

Nonfarm Payroll Employment:

<i>*In Thousands</i>	May 2009	Apr 2009	May 2008
Total Nonfarm	72.1	71.8	73.4
Total Private	60.8	60.6	62.3
Goods Producing	12.8	12.8	13.6
Manufacturing	7.9	7.9	8.4
Service-Providing	59.3	59.0	59.8
Private Service-Providing	48.0	47.8	48.7
Educational and Health Service	12.7	12.7	12.6
Government	11.3	11.2	11.1
Federal Government	2.5	2.5	2.5
State Government	1.7	1.7	1.6
Local Government	7.1	7.0	7.0
Labor-Management Dispute Status	0.0	0.0	0.0

Wheeling Metropolitan Statistical Area

Demographics:

Area: Marshall and Ohio counties in West Virginia
 Belmont County in Ohio
 Total Population July 1, 2008: 144,847
 Population 16 years and Over
 (based on 2000 census): 123,919
 Per capita Personal Income 2006: \$29,253

Labor Force Data:

<i>In thousands, not seasonally adjusted</i>	May 2009	Apr 2009	May 2008
Civilian Labor Force	68.5	68.6	69.0
Total Employment	62.6	62.7	65.7
Total Unemployment	5.9	5.9	3.3
Unemployment Rate	8.6	8.6	4.8

Nonfarm Payroll Employment:

<i>*In Thousands</i>	May 2009	Apr 2009	May 2008
Total Nonfarm	67.6	67.4	68.4
Total Private	57.0	56.8	57.8
Goods Producing	8.8	8.6	9.4
Manufacturing	3.9	3.9	4.2
Service-Providing	58.8	58.8	59.0
Private Service-Providing	48.2	48.2	48.4
Educational & Health Service	13.1	13.1	13.1
Government	10.6	10.6	10.6
Federal Government	0.7	0.7	0.7
State Government	2.3	2.4	2.3
Local Government	7.6	7.5	7.6
Labor-Management Dispute Status	0.0	0.0	0.0

Statistical Areas

Micropolitan Statistical Areas	<i>Prelim May 2009</i>	<i>Rev Apr 2009</i>	<i>Rev May 2008</i>
Beckley-Oak Hill CSA			
Civilian Labor Force	49.6	49.1	51.1
Total Employment	45.3	45.3	49.0
Total Unemployment	4.3	3.7	2.1
Unemployment Rate	8.7	7.6	4.0
Beckley MCSA <i>Raleigh County, WV</i>			
Civilian Labor Force	32.0	31.7	32.9
Total Employment	29.4	29.4	31.6
Total Unemployment	2.6	2.3	1.3
Unemployment Rate	8.2	7.3	3.9
Oak Hill MCSA <i>Fayette County, WV</i>			
Civilian Labor Force	17.6	17.3	18.2
Total Employment	15.9	15.9	17.4
Total Unemployment	1.7	1.4	0.8
Unemployment Rate	9.7	8.3	4.3
Bluefield MCSA <i>Mercer County, WV and Tazewell County, VA</i>			
Civilian Labor Force	46.6	46.4	46.1
Total Employment	43.1	43.1	44.2
Total Unemployment	3.5	3.3	1.9
Unemployment Rate	7.5	7.1	4.0
Fairmont-Clarksburg CSA			
Civilian Labor Force	65.3	65.2	67.6
Total Employment	60.9	61.2	65.1
Total Unemployment	4.4	4.0	2.5
Unemployment Rate	6.7	6.1	3.7
Fairmont MCSA <i>Marion County, WV</i>			
Civilian Labor Force	25.7	25.6	26.6
Total Employment	24.1	24.2	25.7
Total Unemployment	1.5	1.4	0.9
Unemployment Rate	6.0	5.4	3.5
Clarksburg MCSA <i>Doddridge, Harrison and Taylor Counties, WV</i>			
Civilian Labor Force	39.7	39.6	41.0
Total Employment	36.8	37.0	39.4
Total Unemployment	2.8	2.6	1.6
Unemployment Rate	7.1	6.6	3.8
Point Pleasant MCSA <i>Mason County, WV and Gallia County, OH</i>			
Civilian Labor Force	24.2	24.1	24.3
Total Employment	21.6	21.6	22.8
Total Unemployment	2.6	2.5	1.5
Unemployment Rate	10.7	10.5	6.3

The areas listed are the names of the labor market areas composed of the indicated counties.

Data are for the labor market areas, not the cities proper.

Labor market areas have been redefined in accordance with the 2000 Census data.

Data in thousands.

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MSA Metropolitan Statistical Area
 CSA Combined Micropolitan Statistical Area
 MCSA Micropolitan Statistical Area

Metropolitan Statistical Areas that include West Virginia Counties	<i>Prelim May 2009</i>	<i>Rev Apr 2009</i>	<i>Rev May 2008</i>
Steubenville-Weirton MSA			
Civilian Labor Force	58.8	58.7	58.8
Total Employment	51.6	51.8	55.4
Total Unemployment	7.2	6.9	3.5
Unemployment Rate	12.3	11.8	5.9
Cumberland MSA			
Civilian Labor Force	48.3	48.4	49.0
Total Employment	44.5	44.6	46.7
Total Unemployment	3.8	3.8	2.3
Unemployment Rate	7.9	7.8	4.8
Washington DC-Alexandria-Arlington			
Civilian Labor Force	3,008.1	3,001.9	3,035.6
Total Employment	2,822.3	2,831.7	2,930.5
Total Unemployment	185.8	170.2	105.1
Unemployment Rate	6.2	5.7	3.5
Hagerstown-Martinsburg MSA			
Civilian Labor Force	119.8	119.3	121.7
Total Employment	108.0	108.2	115.6
Total Unemployment	11.7	11.1	6.0
Unemployment Rate	9.8	9.3	5.0
Winchester MSA			
Civilian Labor Force	64.2	64.0	65.1
Total Employment	59.0	58.9	62.6
Total Unemployment	5.3	5.1	2.5
Unemployment Rate	8.2	8.0	3.9

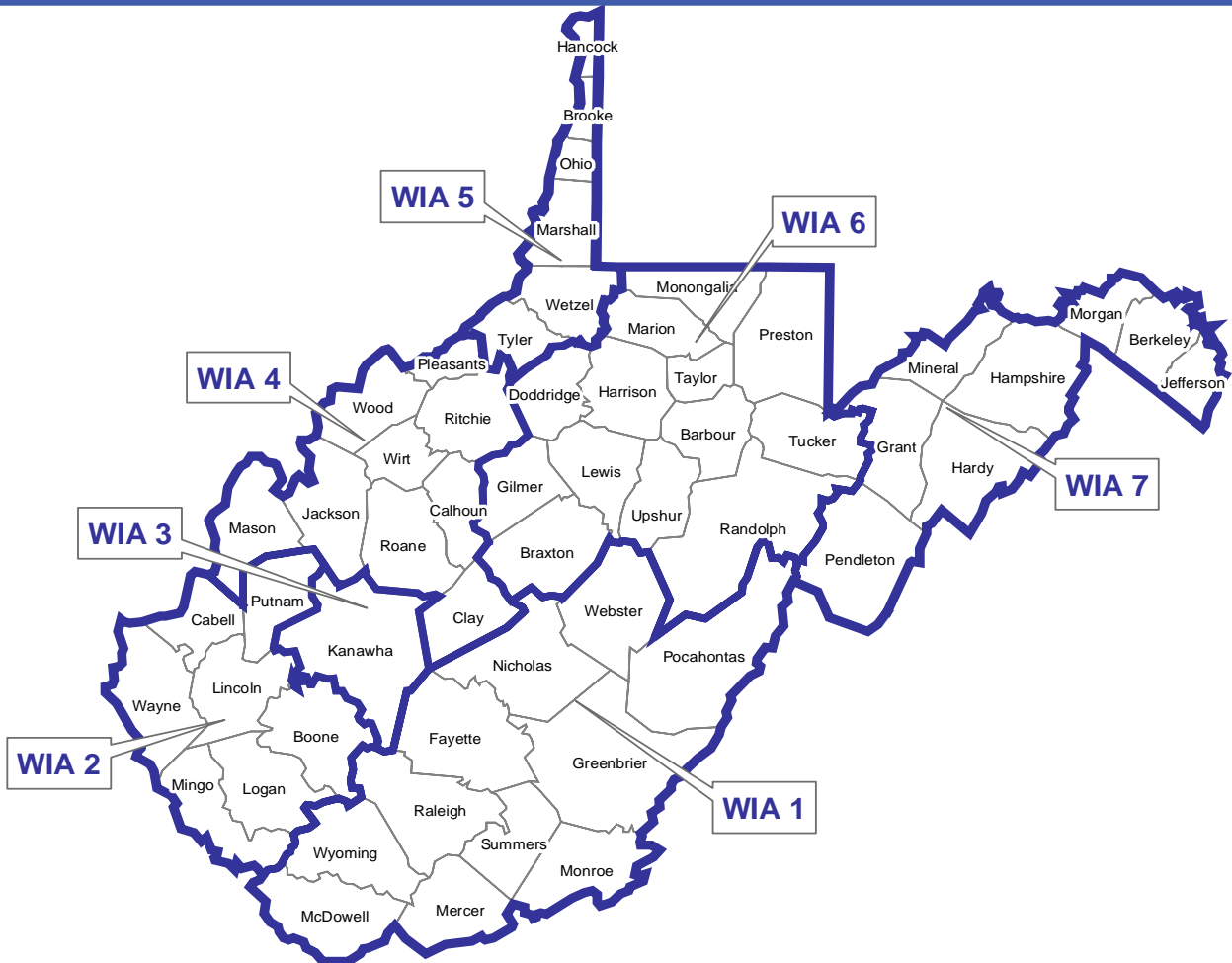
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Workforce Investment Area 1

May 2009

Over the Month:

- Total nonfarm payroll employment up 1,100
- Goods-producing sector down 100
- Service-providing sector up 1,200
- Total unemployment up 700
- Unemployment rate up four-tenths of a percentage point to 9.2 percent

Over the Year:

- Total nonfarm payroll employment down 1,800
- Goods-producing sector down 200
- Service-providing sector down 1,600
- Total unemployment up 6,300
- Unemployment rate up four and eight-tenths percentage points from 4.4 percent

Labor Force Data

	May 2009	Apr 2009	May 2008
Civilian Labor Force	132.9	132.0	134.7
Employment	120.6	120.5	128.7
Unemployment	12.3	11.6	6.0
Unemployment Rate	9.2	8.8	4.4

Nonfarm Payroll Employment

	May 2009	Apr 2009	May 2008
Total Nonfarm Payroll	116.9	115.8	118.7
Total Private	92.4	91.7	94.3
Goods-Producing	17.7	17.8	17.9
Mining & Logging	7.3	7.5	7.2
Construction	4.5	4.4	4.6
Manufacturing	5.9	5.9	6.1
Service-Providing	99.2	98.0	100.8
Private Service-Providing	74.7	73.9	76.4
Trade, Transportation, & Utilities	23.3	23.1	23.7
Wholesale Trade	3.5	3.5	3.5
Retail Trade	16.0	15.9	16.3
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities	3.8	3.8	3.9
Information	1.3	1.3	1.4
Financial Activities	3.8	3.8	3.8
Professional & Business Services	6.9	6.8	7.0
Educational & Health Services	17.5	17.5	17.3
Leisure & Hospitality	11.8	11.3	13.0
Other Services	10.1	10.0	10.2
Government	24.5	24.2	24.4
Federal	3.1	3.0	3.0
State	6.1	5.9	6.1
Local	15.3	15.3	15.3
Labor-Management Dispute Status	0.0	0.0	0.0

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Workforce Investment Area 2

May 2009

Over the Month:

- Total nonfarm payroll employment up 200
- Goods-producing sector down 200
- Service-providing sector up 400
- Total unemployment up 1,100
- Unemployment rate up eight-tenths of a percentage point to 8.1 percent

Over the Year:

- Total nonfarm payroll employment down 900
- Goods-producing sector down 1,600
- Service-providing sector up 700
- Total unemployment up 5,300
- Unemployment rate up four and two-tenths percentage points from 3.9 percent

	May 2009	Apr 2009	May 2008
Labor Force Data			
Civilian Labor Force	128.1	127.5	130.0
Employment	117.7	118.2	124.8
Unemployment	10.4	9.3	5.1
Unemployment Rate	8.1	7.3	3.9
Nonfarm Payroll Employment			
Total Nonfarm Payroll	121.3	121.1	122.2
Total Private	100.3	100.2	102.0
Goods-Producing	25.1	25.3	26.7
Mining & Logging	9.6	9.7	9.6
Construction	6.8	6.9	8.0
Manufacturing	8.7	8.7	9.1
Service-Providing	96.2	95.8	95.5
Private Service-Providing	75.1	74.8	75.3
Trade, Transportation, & Utilities	24.1	23.9	24.2
Wholesale Trade	4.7	4.6	4.6
Retail Trade	13.9	13.7	13.9
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities	5.6	5.6	5.7
Information	1.6	1.6	1.6
Financial Activities	3.7	3.8	3.9
Professional & Business Services	10.0	10.1	10.5
Educational & Health Services	17.7	17.5	17.1
Leisure & Hospitality	10.3	10.1	10.3
Other Services	7.7	7.7	7.7
Government	21.1	21.0	20.2
Federal	3.0	2.9	2.7
State	6.0	5.9	5.8
Local	12.1	12.2	11.7
Labor-Management Dispute Status	0.0	0.0	0.0

Workforce Investment Area 3

May 2009

Over the Month:

- Total nonfarm payroll employment up 400
- Goods-producing sector up 300
- Service-providing sector unchanged
- Total unemployment up 600
- Unemployment rate up six-tenths of a percentage point to 6.9 percent

Over the Year:

- Total nonfarm payroll employment down 1,200
- Goods-producing sector down 100
- Service-providing sector down 1,100
- Total unemployment up 3,000
- Unemployment rate up three and four-tenths percentage points from 3.5 percent

	May 2009	Apr 2009	May 2008
Labor Force Data			
Civilian Labor Force	89.7	89.4	92.1
Employment	83.4	83.8	88.9
Unemployment	6.2	5.6	3.2
Unemployment Rate	6.9	6.3	3.5
Nonfarm Payroll Employment			
Total Nonfarm Payroll	114.3	113.9	115.5
Total Private	92.1	91.7	93.5
Goods-Producing	12.0	11.7	12.1
Mining & Logging	3.0	3.1	3.1
Construction	5.4	4.9	5.2
Manufacturing	3.6	3.6	3.9
Service-Providing	102.3	102.3	103.4
Private Service-Providing	80.1	80.0	81.3
Trade, Transportation, & Utilities	20.4	20.4	20.9
Wholesale Trade	4.0	3.9	4.2
Retail Trade	12.2	12.3	12.5
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities	4.2	4.2	4.2
Information	2.2	2.2	2.3
Financial Activities	6.8	6.8	6.9
Professional & Business Services	11.8	11.7	12.9
Educational & Health Services	19.8	19.8	18.7
Leisure & Hospitality	9.9	9.9	10.3
Other Services	9.3	9.3	9.4
Government	22.2	22.2	22.0
Federal	2.4	2.3	2.4
State	11.1	11.2	11.0
Local	8.7	8.7	8.6
Labor-Management Dispute Status	0.0	0.0	0.0

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Workforce Investment Area 4

May 2009

Over the Month:

- Total nonfarm payroll employment unchanged
- Goods-producing sector up 100
- Service-providing sector down 100
- Total unemployment up 600
- Unemployment rate up six-tenths of a percentage point to 11.1 percent

Over the Year:

- Total nonfarm payroll employment down 1,600
- Goods-producing sector down 1,200
- Service-providing sector down 400
- Total unemployment up 5,000
- Unemployment rate up six percentage points from 5.1 percent

	May 2009	Apr 2009	May 2008
Labor Force Data			
Civilian Labor Force	84.3	84.1	85.4
Employment	75.0	75.3	81.0
Unemployment	9.4	8.8	4.4
Unemployment Rate	11.1	10.5	5.1
Nonfarm Payroll Employment			
Total Nonfarm Payroll	72.2	72.2	73.8
Total Private	58.8	58.7	60.7
Goods-Producing	13.1	13.0	14.3
Mining & Logging	1.8	1.8	2.0
Construction	3.9	3.8	3.9
Manufacturing	7.5	7.4	8.4
Service-Providing	59.1	59.2	59.5
Private Service-Providing	45.7	45.7	46.4
Trade, Transportation, & Utilities	15.2	15.2	15.4
Wholesale Trade	1.6	1.7	1.7
Retail Trade	10.1	10.0	10.3
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities	3.5	3.5	3.4
Information	1.1	1.1	1.1
Financial Activities	3.0	3.0	3.0
Professional & Business Services	3.4	3.5	3.9
Educational & Health Services	10.8	10.8	10.7
Leisure & Hospitality	6.9	6.8	6.7
Other Services	5.2	5.3	5.5
Government	13.5	13.5	13.1
Federal	2.5	2.6	2.6
State	2.5	2.5	2.4
Local	8.4	8.5	8.1
Labor-Management Dispute Status	0.0	0.0	0.0

Workforce Investment Area 5

May 2009

Over the Month:

- Total nonfarm payroll employment up 100
- Goods-producing sector up 100
- Service-providing sector up 100
- Total unemployment up 400
- Unemployment rate up one-half of a percentage point to 10.4 percent

Over the Year:

- Total nonfarm payroll employment down 1,200
- Goods-producing sector down 300
- Service-providing sector down 900
- Total unemployment up 3,900
- Unemployment rate up five and six-tenths percentage points from 4.8 percent

	May 2009	Apr 2009	May 2008
Labor Force Data			
Civilian Labor Force	71.1	70.9	71.9
Employment	63.7	63.9	68.4
Unemployment	7.4	7.0	3.5
Unemployment Rate	10.4	9.9	4.8
Nonfarm Payroll Employment			
Total Nonfarm Payroll	72.2	72.1	73.4
Total Private	61.5	61.3	62.7
Goods-Producing	12.0	11.9	12.3
Mining & Logging	1.3	1.3	1.4
Construction	2.5	2.2	2.2
Manufacturing	8.1	8.4	8.7
Service-Providing	60.2	60.1	61.1
Private Service-Providing	49.5	49.4	50.4
Trade, Transportation, & Utilities	11.2	11.2	11.4
Wholesale Trade	2.0	2.1	2.2
Retail Trade	7.4	7.3	7.6
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities	1.8	1.8	1.7
Information	0.6	0.6	0.6
Financial Activities	2.7	2.7	2.9
Professional & Business Services	5.6	5.5	5.8
Educational & Health Services	13.3	13.2	12.9
Leisure & Hospitality	9.3	9.2	9.9
Other Services	6.9	6.9	6.9
Government	10.7	10.7	10.7
Federal	0.7	0.7	0.7
State	2.0	2.1	1.9
Local	8.0	8.0	8.1
Labor-Management Dispute Status	0.0	0.0	0.0

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Workforce Investment Area 6

May 2009

Over the Month:

- Total nonfarm payroll employment up 900
- Goods-producing sector up 200
- Service-providing sector up 700
- Total unemployment up 700
- Unemployment rate up four-tenths of a percentage point to 6.9 percent

Over the Year:

- Total nonfarm payroll employment down 2,000
- Goods-producing sector down 2,300
- Service-providing sector up 300
- Total unemployment up 5,500
- Unemployment rate up three and two-tenths percentage points from 3.7 percent

Labor Force Data	May 2009	Apr 2009	May 2008
Civilian Labor Force	176.5	176.2	182.0
Employment	164.3	164.8	175.3
Unemployment	12.2	11.5	6.7
Unemployment Rate	6.9	6.5	3.7
Nonfarm Payroll Employment			
Total Nonfarm Payroll	166.4	165.5	168.4
Total Private	125.0	124.3	126.9
Goods-Producing	24.0	23.8	26.3
Mining & Logging	5.2	5.3	5.8
Construction	8.1	7.7	8.7
Manufacturing	10.7	10.7	11.9
Service-Providing	142.4	141.7	142.1
Private Service-Providing	101.0	100.5	100.6
Trade, Transportation, & Utilities	28.5	28.3	28.7
Wholesale Trade	3.7	3.7	4.0
Retail Trade	19.4	19.2	19.4
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities	5.4	5.4	5.3
Information	1.9	1.9	2.0
Financial Activities	4.8	4.8	4.9
Professional & Business Services	11.3	11.3	11.3
Educational & Health Services	27.8	27.9	27.4
Leisure & Hospitality	16.0	15.6	15.1
Other Services	10.7	10.7	11.1
Government	41.4	41.2	41.5
Federal	7.0	7.0	6.8
State	17.8	17.8	18.3
Local	16.6	16.5	16.4
Labor-Management Dispute Status	0.0	0.0	0.0

Workforce Investment Area 7

May 2009

Over the Month:

- Total nonfarm payroll employment up 400
- Goods-producing sector up 100
- Service-providing sector up 300
- Total unemployment up 800
- Unemployment rate up six-tenths of a percentage point to 8.6 percent

Over the Year:

- Total nonfarm payroll employment down 1,800
- Goods-producing sector down 800
- Service-providing sector down 900
- Total unemployment up 4,700
- Unemployment rate up four and three-tenths percentage points from 4.3 percent

Labor Force Data	May 2009	Apr 2009	May 2008
Civilian Labor Force	113.4	112.8	117.1
Employment	103.6	103.9	112.0
Unemployment	9.8	9.0	5.1
Unemployment Rate	8.6	8.0	4.3
Nonfarm Payroll Employment			
Total Nonfarm Payroll	72.6	72.2	74.4
Total Private	54.0	53.7	56.1
Goods-Producing	12.6	12.5	13.4
Mining & Logging	0.7	0.7	0.7
Construction	3.4	3.3	4.0
Manufacturing	8.5	8.5	8.7
Service-Providing	60.1	59.8	61.0
Private Service-Providing	41.4	41.2	42.8
Trade, Transportation, & Utilities	12.4	12.4	12.9
Wholesale Trade	1.5	1.6	1.7
Retail Trade	8.6	8.6	9.0
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities	2.2	2.2	2.2
Information	1.9	1.9	2.1
Financial Activities	2.5	2.5	2.6
Professional & Business Services	4.2	4.2	4.3
Educational & Health Services	8.1	8.1	8.0
Leisure & Hospitality	8.1	8.0	8.5
Other Services	4.2	4.2	4.3
Government	18.7	18.6	18.2
Federal	4.9	4.8	4.7
State	3.3	3.3	3.3
Local	10.5	10.4	10.2
Labor-Management Dispute Status	0.0	0.0	0.0

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Occupational Profile

Medical and Public Health Social Workers are projected to have a strong job outlook through 2016. Expected job openings will average approximately 44 per year, 22 of which will be new job growth. The average annual growth rate is projected to be 1.93% per year, just over three times the growth rate for all occupations combined (.61%). Education and training for medical and public health social workers typically requires a bachelor's degree and in many circumstances requires a graduate degree.

"Hospitals continue to limit the length of patient stays, so the demand for social workers in hospitals will grow more slowly than in other areas. But hospitals are releasing patients earlier than in the past, so social worker employment in home health care services is growing. However, the expanding senior population is an even larger factor. Employment opportunities for social workers with backgrounds in gerontology should be good in the growing numbers of assisted-living and senior-living communities. The expanding senior population also will spur demand for social workers in nursing homes, long-term care facilities, and hospices. However, in these settings other types of workers are often being given tasks that were previously done by social workers"

Table 1 - Growth

Area	Annual Openings	Growth Rate
WIA 1	6	1.75%
WIA 2	7	2.09%
WIA 3	10	1.95%
WIA 4	3	0.87%
WIA 5	3	1.73%
WIA 6	8	2.10%
WIA 7	4	2.28%

Table 2 - Wage History

	This Occupation *		Compared to all Occupations *		Difference
2008	\$18.58	3.0%	\$12.74	2.6%	\$5.84
2007	\$18.03	3.5%	\$12.41	3.2%	\$5.62
2006	\$17.42	4.0%	\$12.02	3.1%	\$5.40
2005	\$16.75	2.8%	\$11.65	2.4%	\$5.10
2004	\$16.28	3.1%	\$11.37	2.7%	\$4.91
2003	\$15.78	3.0%	\$11.07	3.0%	\$4.71
2002	\$15.31	2.3%	\$10.74	2.5%	\$4.57
2001	\$14.96		\$10.47		\$4.49

* %Change

Table 3 - Top Employing Industries

	Employment	%
Education & Health Services	720	96.0%
Professional & Business Services	20	2.6%
Other Services	10	1.3%

Table 4 - Best Paying Industries

	Employment	Median Wage
Professional & Business Services	20	\$18.75
Education & Health Services	720	\$18.69
Public Administration		\$12.94
Other Services	10	\$10.78

Table 5 - Top Areas by This Occupation

Highest Employment			Highest Pay		
Area	Median Wage	Employment	Area	Median Wage	Employment
WIA 6	\$18.90	190	WIA 4	\$21.26	70
WIA 2	\$17.64	120	WIA 3	\$19.37	70
WIA 1	\$17.26	100	WIA 6	\$18.90	190
WIA 5	\$17.96	80	WIA 7	\$18.28	60
WIA 3	\$19.37	70	WIA 5	\$17.96	80
WIA 4	\$21.26	70	WIA 2	\$17.64	120
WIA 7	\$18.28	60	WIA 1	\$17.26	100

State Economic Indicators

Trends in the Labor Market

	May 2009	Apr 2009	May 2008
Average Weekly Hours in Manufacturing, Unadjusted	41.0	40.9	41.3
Total Production Worker Hours in Manufacturing (000), Weekly, Unadjusted	1,685	1,693	1,912
Average Weekly Earnings in Manufacturing, Unadjusted	\$769.16	\$772.19	\$783.87
Coal Production (tons)	11,115,612	12,353,798	13,897,738

Unemployment Compensation Selected Claims Activities

	May 2009	Apr 2009	May 2008
Initial Claims	9,752	11,781	4,910
Weeks Claimed	135,862	123,807	54,357
Benefits Paid	\$31,340,479	\$27,868,737	\$10,440,864
Weeks Compensated	116,776	105,349	44,646
Average Weekly Payment	\$268.38	\$264.54	\$233.86
Trust Fund Balance	\$190,049,647	\$160,011,130	\$259,482,045
Insured Unemployment Rate			
Unadjusted	4.4	4.4	1.8
Seasonally Adjusted	4.9	4.2	2.2

Labor Force Data by States

State*	May 2009		Apr 2009		State*	May 2009		Apr 2009	
	Rate	Rank	Rate	Rank		Rate	Rank	Rate	Rank
Alabama	9.8	15	9.0	17	Montana	6.3	44	6.0	44
Alaska	8.4	23	7.9	24	Nebraska	4.4	50	4.5	49
Arizona	8.2	25	7.7	28	Nevada	11.3	6	10.6	7
Arkansas	7.0	39	6.5	39	New Hampshire	6.5	42	6.3	41
California	11.5	5	11.1	4	New Jersey	8.8	21	8.4	20
Colorado	7.6	33	7.4	31	New Mexico	6.5	42	5.8	45
Connecticut	8.0	31	7.9	24	New York	8.2	25	7.7	28
Delaware	8.1	30	7.4	31	North Carolina	11.1	7	10.7	6
District of Columbia	10.7	9	9.9	9	North Dakota	4.4	50	4.1	51
Florida	10.2	13	9.7	13	Ohio	10.8	8	10.2	8
Georgia	9.7	16	9.2	15	Oklahoma	6.3	44	6.2	42
Hawaii	7.4	34	6.9	35	Oregon	12.4	2	11.8	2
Idaho	7.8	32	7.0	34	Pennsylvania	8.2	25	7.8	27
Illinois	10.1	14	9.4	14	Rhode Island	12.1	3	11.1	4
Indiana	10.6	11	9.9	9	South Carolina	12.1	3	11.4	3
Iowa	5.8	46	5.1	47	South Dakota	5.0	48	4.8	48
Kansas	7.0	39	6.5	39	Tennessee	10.7	9	9.9	9
Kentucky	10.6	11	9.9	9	Texas	7.1	37	6.6	38
Louisiana	6.6	41	6.2	42	Utah	5.4	47	5.2	46
Maine	8.3	24	7.9	24	Vermont	7.3	35	7.3	33
Maryland	7.2	36	6.8	36	Virginia	7.1	37	6.8	36
Massachusetts	8.2	25	8.0	22	Washington	9.4	18	9.0	17
Michigan	14.1	1	12.9	1	West Virginia	8.6	22	7.7	28
Minnesota	8.2	25	8.0	22	Wisconsin	8.9	20	8.6	19
Mississippi	9.6	17	9.1	16	Wyoming	5.0	48	4.5	49
Missouri	9.0	19	8.1	21	United States	9.4	xx	8.9	xx

Seasonally adjusted data. In thousands.

*Includes District of Columbia

Selected National Data

	May 2009	Apr 2009	May 2008
Civilian Unemployment Rate			
Unadjusted	9.1	8.6	5.2
Seasonally Adjusted	9.4	8.9	5.5
Consumer Price Index, All Urban Consumers			
Unadjusted			
1982-84 Base	213.9	213.2	216.6
1967 Base	640.6	638.8	648.9
Producer Price Index, Finished Goods			
Unadjusted, 1982 Base	170.8	169.9	179.6
Average Hours and Earnings of Private Sector Production & Nonsupervisory Workers, Unadjusted			
Average Weekly Earnings	\$609.84	\$607.78	\$602.78
Average Weekly Hours	33.0	32.8	33.6
Average Hourly Earnings	\$18.48	\$18.53	\$17.94

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