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METROPOLITAN AREA EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT — MARCH 2016

Unemployment rates were lower in March than a year earlier in 270 of the 387 metropolitan areas, higher in 98 areas, and unchanged in 19 areas, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reported today. Ten areas had jobless rates of less than 3.0 percent and 11 areas had rates of at least 10.0 percent. Nonfarm payroll employment increased over the year in 332 metropolitan areas, decreased in 51 areas, and was unchanged in 4 areas. The national unemployment rate in March was 5.1 percent, not seasonally adjusted, down from 5.6 percent a year earlier.

Metropolitan Area Unemployment (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

Ames, Iowa, and Sioux Falls, S.D., had the lowest unemployment rates in March, 2.4 percent each. El Centro, Calif., had the highest unemployment rate, 18.6 percent. A total of 195 areas had March jobless rates below the U.S. rate of 5.1 percent, 181 areas had rates above it, and 11 areas had rates equal to that of the nation. (See table 1 and map 1.)

El Centro, Calif., and Yuma, Ariz., had the largest over-the-year unemployment rate decreases in March (-4.1 percentage points each). Three other areas had rate declines of at least 2.0 percentage points. The largest over-the-year rate increase occurred in Casper, Wyo. (+2.6 percentage points), followed by Odessa, Texas (+2.2 points).

Of the 51 metropolitan areas with a 2010 Census population of 1 million or more, Austin-Round Rock, Texas, had the lowest unemployment rate in March, 3.1 percent. Chicago-Naperville-Elgin, Ill.-Ind.-Wis., had the highest rate among the large areas, 6.6 percent. Thirty-six large areas had over-the-year unemployment rate decreases, 11 had increases, and 4 had no change. Los Angeles-Long Beach-Anaheim, Calif., and Memphis, Tenn.-Miss.-Ark., had the largest rate decreases (-1.7 percentage points each). The largest over-the-year rate increases occurred in Chicago-Naperville-Elgin, Ill.-Ind.-Wis., and Houston-The Woodlands-Sugar Land, Texas (+0.6 percentage point each).

Metropolitan Division Unemployment (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

Eleven of the most populous metropolitan areas are made up of 38 metropolitan divisions, which are essentially separately identifiable employment centers. In March, San Francisco-Redwood City-South San Francisco, Calif., and San Rafael, Calif., had the lowest unemployment rates among the divisions, 3.2 percent each. Gary, Ind., had the highest division rate, 7.5 percent. (See table 2.)

In March, 33 metropolitan divisions had over-the-year unemployment rate decreases and 5 had increases. The largest decline occurred in Los Angeles-Long Beach-Glendale, Calif. (-2.1 percentage points). The largest over-the-year rate increase occurred in Elgin, Ill. (+0.8 percentage point).

Metropolitan Area Nonfarm Employment (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

In March, 332 metropolitan areas had over-the-year increases in nonfarm payroll employment, 51 had decreases, and 4 had no change. The largest over-the-year employment increases occurred in New York-Newark-Jersey City, N.Y.-N.J.-Pa. (+193,200), Los Angeles-Long Beach-Anaheim, Calif. (+145,300), and Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington, Texas (+129,900). The largest over-the-year percentage gain in employment occurred in Ocean City, N.J. (+9.5 percent), followed by Madera, Calif. (+7.5 percent), and St. George, Utah (+6.2 percent). (See table 3 and map 2.)

The largest over-the-year decreases in employment occurred in Lafayette, La. (-9,300), Houma-Thibodaux, La. (-6,500), and Odessa, Texas (-4,100). The largest over-the-year percentage decreases in employment occurred in Casper, Wyo. (-7.2 percent), Houma-Thibodaux, La. (-6.6 percent), and Odessa, Texas (-5.3 percent).

Over the year, nonfarm employment rose in 50 of the 51 metropolitan areas with a 2010 Census population of 1 million or more and fell in Rochester, N.Y. (-0.5 percent). The largest over-the-year percentage increase in employment in these large metropolitan areas occurred in Richmond, Va. (+4.5 percent), followed by Orlando-Kissimmee-Sanford, Fla. (+4.3 percent), and Austin-Round Rock, Texas (+4.1 percent).

Metropolitan Division Nonfarm Employment (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

In March, nonfarm payroll employment increased in 37 of the 38 metropolitan divisions over the year and was unchanged in Lynn-Saugus-Marblehead, Mass. The largest over-the-year increase in employment among the metropolitan divisions occurred in New York-Jersey City-White Plains, N.Y.-N.J. (+154,800), followed by Dallas-Plano-Irving, Texas (+112,600), and Los Angeles-Long Beach-Glendale, Calif. (+97,700). (See table 4.)

The largest over-the-year percentage increase in employment among the metropolitan divisions occurred in Haverhill-Newburyport-Amesbury Town, Mass.-N.H. (+5.3 percent), followed by Dallas-Plano-Irving, Texas (+4.8 percent), and Brockton-Bridgewater-Easton, Mass. (+4.3 percent).

The Regional and State Employment and Unemployment news release for April is scheduled to be released on Friday, May 20, 2016, at 10:00 a.m. (EDT). The Metropolitan Area Employment and Unemployment news release for April is scheduled to be released on Wednesday, June 1, 2016, at 10:00 a.m. (EDT).

Technical Note

This release presents labor force and unemployment data from the Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS) program (tables 1 and 2) for 387 metropolitan statistical areas and metropolitan New England City and Town Areas (NECTAs), plus 7 areas in Puerto Rico. Estimates for 38 metropolitan and NECTA divisions also are presented. Nonfarm payroll employment estimates from the Current Employment Statistics (CES) program (tables 3 and 4) are provided for the same areas. State estimates were previously published in the news release, *Regional and State Employment and Unemployment*, and are republished in this release for ease of reference. The LAUS and CES programs are both federal-state cooperative endeavors.

Labor force and unemployment—from the LAUS program

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

Method of estimation. Estimates for states, the District of Columbia, the Los Angeles-Long Beach-Glendale metropolitan division, and New York City are produced using time-series models with real-time benchmarking to national CPS totals. Model-based estimates are also produced for the following areas and their respective balances: the Chicago-Naperville-Arlington Heights, IL Metropolitan Division; Cleveland-Elyria, OH Metropolitan Statistical Area; Detroit-Warren-Dearborn, MI Metropolitan Statistical Area; Miami-Miami Beach-Kendall, FL Metropolitan Division; and Seattle-Bellevue-Everett, WA Metropolitan Division. Modeling improves the statistical basis of the estimation for these areas and provides important tools for analysis, such as measures of errors and seasonally adjusted series. For all other substate areas in this release, estimates are prepared through indirect

estimation procedures using a building-block approach. Employment estimates, which are based largely on “place of work” estimates from the CES program, are adjusted to refer to place of residence as used in the CPS. Unemployment estimates are aggregates of persons previously employed in industries covered by state unemployment insurance (UI) laws and entrants to the labor force data from the CPS. The substate estimates of employment and unemployment, which geographically exhaust the entire state, are adjusted proportionally to ensure that they add to the independently estimated state or balance-of-state totals. A detailed description of the estimation procedures is available from BLS upon request.

Annual revisions. Labor force and unemployment data shown for the prior year reflect adjustments made at the beginning of each year, usually implemented with the issuance of January estimates. The adjusted model-based estimates typically reflect updated population data from the U.S. Census Bureau, any revisions in other input data sources, and model re-estimation. All substate estimates then are re-estimated using updated inputs and adjusted to add to the revised model-based totals. In early 2015, a new generation of time-series models was implemented, resulting in the replacement of data back to the series beginnings. At the same time, enhancements were made to the substate estimation methodology, and more timely inputs from the American Community Survey were incorporated.

Employment—from the CES program

Definitions. Employment data refer to persons on establishment payrolls who receive pay for any part of the pay period that includes the 12th of the month. Persons are counted at their place of work rather than at their place of residence; those appearing on more than one payroll are counted on each payroll. Industries are classified on the basis of their principal activity in accordance with the 2012 version of the North American Industry Classification System.

Method of estimation. CES State and Area employment data are produced using several estimation procedures. Where possible these data are produced using a “weighted link relative” estimation technique in which a ratio of current-month weighted employment to that of the previous-month weighted employment is computed from a sample of establishments reporting for both months. The estimates of employment for the current month are then obtained by multiplying these ratios by the previous month’s employment estimates. The weighted link relative technique is utilized for data series where the sample size meets certain statistical criteria.

For some employment series, the sample of establishments is very small or highly variable. In these cases, a model-based approach is used in estimation. These models

use the direct sample estimates (described above), combined with forecasts of historical (benchmarked) data to decrease volatility in estimation. Two different models (Fay-Herriot Model and Small Domain Model) are used depending on the industry level being estimated. For more detailed information about each model, refer to the BLS Handbook of Methods.

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

Seasonal adjustment. Payroll employment data are seasonally adjusted for states, metropolitan areas, and metropolitan divisions at the total nonfarm level. For states, data are seasonally adjusted at the supersector level as well. Revisions of historical data for the most recent 5 years are made once a year, coincident with annual benchmark adjustments.

Reliability of the estimates

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

Labor force and unemployment estimates. Measures of sampling error are not available for metropolitan areas or metropolitan divisions. Model-based error measures for states are available on the BLS website at www.bls.gov/lau/lastderr.htm. Measures of nonsampling error are not available for the areas contained in this release. Information on recent data revisions for states and local areas is available online at www.bls.gov/lau/launews1.htm.

Employment estimates. Measures of sampling error are available for metropolitan areas or metropolitan divisions upon request. Measures of sampling error for states down to the supersector level are available on the BLS website at www.bls.gov/sae/790stderr.htm. Measures of nonsampling error are not available for the areas contained in this release. Information on recent benchmark revisions is available online at www.bls.gov/sae/benchmark2016.pdf.

Area definitions

The substate area data published in this release reflect the delineations issued by the U.S. Office of Management and Budget on February 28, 2013. Data reflect New England City and Town Area (NECTA) definitions, rather than county-based definitions, in the six New England States. A detailed list of the geographic definitions is available online at www.bls.gov/lau/lausmsa.htm.

Additional information

Estimates of unadjusted and seasonally adjusted labor force and unemployment data for states, census regions and divisions, and seven substate areas are available in the news release *Regional and State Employment and Unemployment*. Estimates of labor force and unemployment for all states, metropolitan 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 Internet at www.bls.gov/lau/. Employment data from the CES program are available on the BLS website at www.bls.gov/sae/.

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**LABOR FORCE DATA
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED
Table 1. Civilian labor force and unemployment by state and metropolitan area**

State and area	Civilian labor force				Unemployed							
	February		March		Number				Percent of labor force			
	2015	2016	2015	2016 ^P	February		March		February		March	
					2015	2016	2015	2016 ^P	2015	2016	2015	2016 ^P
Alabama	2,131,570	2,147,743	2,135,802	2,156,616	131,615	138,234	125,880	132,872	6.2	6.4	5.9	6.2
Anniston-Oxford-Jacksonville	46,214	46,158	46,062	46,228	3,219	3,303	3,090	3,238	7.0	7.2	6.7	7.0
Auburn-Opelika	71,215	72,146	71,373	72,151	3,567	3,928	3,421	3,864	5.0	5.4	4.8	5.4
Birmingham-Hoover	529,483	534,610	527,501	533,353	29,335	31,788	27,863	30,879	5.5	5.9	5.3	5.8
Daphne-Fairhope-Foley	84,571	86,644	86,428	88,967	5,051	5,287	4,682	4,959	6.0	6.1	5.4	5.6
Decatur	68,661	68,637	68,590	68,967	4,405	4,455	4,163	4,252	6.4	6.5	6.1	6.2
Dothan	61,863	61,839	62,280	62,401	3,937	3,999	3,733	3,823	6.4	6.5	6.0	6.1
Florence-Muscle Shoals	65,699	66,296	65,950	66,631	5,013	4,867	4,698	4,544	7.6	7.3	7.1	6.8
Gadsden	42,639	43,837	42,668	43,692	2,683	2,849	2,565	2,724	6.3	6.5	6.0	6.2
Huntsville	208,339	209,774	207,614	210,307	11,711	11,870	11,205	11,437	5.6	5.7	5.4	5.4
Mobile	182,850	182,999	182,993	184,539	12,531	13,398	12,137	12,853	6.9	7.3	6.6	7.0
Montgomery	168,112	168,723	167,781	168,590	9,967	10,247	9,585	9,869	5.9	6.1	5.7	5.9
Tuscaloosa	111,058	113,413	111,354	113,487	6,060	6,853	5,938	6,698	5.5	6.0	5.3	5.9
Alaska	360,580	356,996	360,272	356,048	26,620	27,521	25,525	26,069	7.4	7.7	7.1	7.3
Anchorage	202,615	201,668	202,161	200,673	12,495	12,495	12,003	12,753	6.2	6.6	6.0	6.4
Fairbanks	45,736	44,958	45,794	45,098	2,867	2,964	2,651	2,826	6.3	6.6	5.8	6.3
Arizona	3,133,491	3,218,024	3,131,692	3,229,454	193,087	166,531	188,589	164,059	6.2	5.2	6.0	5.1
Flagstaff	71,229	72,641	71,815	72,965	4,913	4,363	4,739	4,105	6.9	6.0	6.6	5.6
Lake Havasu City-Kingman	78,938	79,589	78,991	79,953	6,845	5,619	6,546	5,448	8.7	7.1	8.3	6.8
Phoenix-Mesa-Scottsdale	2,151,350	2,218,623	2,148,746	2,225,322	115,638	100,907	113,737	100,572	5.4	4.5	5.3	4.5
Prescott	96,765	99,850	97,093	100,790	5,695	4,954	5,535	4,877	5.9	5.0	5.7	4.8
Sierra Vista-Douglas	50,273	49,510	50,388	50,282	3,933	3,196	3,821	3,170	7.8	6.5	7.6	6.3
Tucson	466,504	479,256	465,199	478,385	25,730	22,873	25,346	22,697	5.5	4.8	5.4	4.7
Yuma	89,360	89,546	90,221	91,437	16,973	13,566	16,181	12,658	19.0	15.1	17.9	13.8
Arkansas	1,315,170	1,353,789	1,319,136	1,359,339	80,002	63,908	74,931	54,674	6.1	4.7	5.7	4.0
Fayetteville-Springdale-Rogers	247,269	262,600	248,450	263,576	10,964	8,787	10,364	7,603	4.4	3.3	4.2	2.9
Fort Smith	120,181	122,336	120,360	122,827	7,417	6,292	7,090	5,636	6.2	5.1	5.9	4.6
Hot Springs	39,381	40,705	39,606	41,081	2,546	2,011	2,396	1,734	6.5	4.9	6.0	4.2
Jonesboro	59,683	62,552	59,936	62,901	3,353	2,577	3,128	2,183	5.6	4.1	5.2	3.5
Little Rock-North Little Rock-Conway	341,951	353,053	341,891	353,453	18,480	14,691	17,341	12,702	5.4	4.2	5.1	3.6
Pine Bluff	36,852	36,842	36,776	36,930	2,911	2,320	2,700	2,002	7.9	6.3	7.3	5.4
California	18,961,776	19,038,779	18,949,567	19,028,171	1,300,871	1,080,055	1,266,911	1,057,110	6.9	5.7	6.7	5.6
Bakersfield	395,715	395,140	387,351	389,425	44,481	43,300	45,493	45,183	11.2	11.0	11.7	11.6
Chico	102,090	101,649	101,872	101,395	8,204	7,261	7,974	7,288	8.0	7.1	7.8	7.2
El Centro	77,418	77,828	76,937	76,025	17,249	15,419	17,478	14,155	22.3	19.8	22.7	18.6
Fresno	443,624	444,027	444,646	446,627	52,257	46,362	52,035	47,387	11.8	10.4	11.7	10.6
Hanford-Corcoran	57,991	58,405	58,150	58,194	7,156	6,616	7,143	6,617	12.3	11.3	12.3	11.4
Los Angeles-Long Beach-Anaheim	6,642,714	6,625,958	6,624,900	6,614,976	450,040	342,405	433,477	315,216	6.8	5.2	6.5	4.8
Madera	62,537	62,488	60,433	61,408	7,335	6,178	7,436	6,425	11.7	9.9	12.3	10.5
Merced	115,080	115,527	114,980	115,463	15,964	14,462	15,528	14,442	13.9	12.5	13.5	12.5
Modesto	242,205	242,199	242,984	243,347	26,254	22,606	26,001	23,404	10.8	9.3	10.7	9.6
Napa	73,492	74,554	73,713	74,592	3,803	3,348	3,612	3,271	5.2	4.5	4.9	4.4
Oxnard-Thousand Oaks-Ventura	434,168	432,237	434,686	432,342	25,728	22,083	24,872	21,468	5.9	5.1	5.7	5.0
Redding	74,445	74,054	74,519	74,173	6,808	5,736	6,607	5,900	9.1	7.7	8.9	8.0
Riverside-San Bernardino-Ontario	1,959,281	1,973,686	1,959,850	1,974,773	136,047	113,851	133,250	113,808	6.9	5.8	6.8	5.8
Sacramento-Roseville-Arden-Arcade	1,057,328	1,061,592	1,059,173	1,061,882	67,553	56,942	65,741	57,760	6.4	5.4	6.2	5.4
Salinas	208,978	213,438	212,059	215,138	24,987	22,505	22,543	22,533	12.0	10.8	10.6	10.5
San Diego-Carlsbad	1,558,012	1,567,077	1,558,003	1,569,731	85,870	73,286	84,214	73,799	5.5	4.7	5.4	4.7
San Francisco-Oakland-Hayward	2,486,538	2,520,209	2,492,020	2,519,145	113,210	95,852	110,939	96,487	4.6	3.8	4.5	3.8
San Jose-Sunnyvale-Santa Clara	1,040,895	1,060,182	1,040,603	1,058,196	47,649	40,771	46,645	41,065	4.6	3.8	4.5	3.9
San Luis Obispo-Paso Robles-Arroyo Grande	143,671	144,376	143,967	144,464	7,224	6,218	6,960	6,172	5.0	4.3	4.8	4.3
Santa Cruz-Watsonville	143,124	143,283	144,352	144,003	14,098	12,605	13,700	12,643	9.9	8.8	9.5	8.8
Santa Maria-Santa Barbara	219,063	220,410	220,604	222,403	13,433	12,241	12,454	11,696	6.1	5.6	5.6	5.3
Santa Rosa	258,610	261,151	258,974	261,722	12,848	10,727	12,471	10,779	5.0	4.1	4.8	4.1
Stockton-Lodi	314,892	317,038	314,851	318,015	31,782	27,686	31,016	28,085	10.1	8.7	9.9	8.8
Vallejo-Fairfield	205,385	207,795	205,679	206,921	13,907	11,580	13,553	11,698	6.8	5.6	6.6	5.7
Visalia-Porterville	203,886	204,554	202,669	202,895	27,192	24,815	27,290	25,085	13.3	12.1	13.5	12.4
Yuba City	72,144	72,492	73,011	73,178	8,960	7,850	8,765	8,084	12.4	10.8	12.0	11.0
Colorado	2,819,395	2,869,557	2,815,057	2,874,645	132,489	95,252	129,458	100,838	4.7	3.3	4.6	3.5
Boulder	176,641	178,422	175,990	178,764	6,898	4,830	6,497	5,103	3.9	2.7	3.7	2.9
Colorado Springs	317,102	321,168	316,380	322,810	17,782	12,367	17,510	13,032	5.6	3.9	5.5	4.0
Denver-Aurora-Lakewood	1,495,693	1,518,725	1,491,624	1,526,056	67,126	47,301	65,424	50,162	4.5	3.1	4.4	3.3
Fort Collins	177,135	183,275	177,272	183,689	7,349	5,373	6,978	5,637	4.1	2.9	3.9	3.1
Grand Junction	72,073	72,120	72,262	72,629	4,511	3,927	4,620	4,273	6.3	5.4	6.4	5.9
Greeley	148,561	149,356	148,116	149,435	6,489	5,169	6,437	5,496	4.4	3.5	4.3	3.7
Pueblo	72,110	72,427	72,050	72,779	4,785	3,419	4,887	3,609	6.6	4.7	6.8	5.0
Connecticut	1,880,162	1,878,896	1,881,804	1,894,143	122,447	112,608	115,209	117,318	6.5	6.0	6.1	6.2
Bridgeport-Stamford-Norwalk	462,057	461,926	462,104	467,087	29,024	26,847	27,347	28,069	6.3	5.8	5.9	6.0
Danbury	105,710	106,260	105,967	107,307	5,609	5,446	5,288	5,630	5.3	5.1	5.0	5.2
Hartford-West Hartford-East Hartford	615,458	614,790	616,943	619,350	39,784	36,675	37,551	38,317	6.5	6.0	6.1	6.2
New Haven	322,143	320,396	321,786	322,041	20,601	18,855	19,410	19,747	6.4	5.9	6.0	6.1

See footnotes at end of table.

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	February		March		Number				Percent of labor force			
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					2015	2016	2015	2016 ^P	2015	2016	2015	2016 ^P
Connecticut - Continued												
Norwich-New London-Westerly	140,147	141,401	140,177	142,056	10,168	8,841	9,518	9,010	7.3	6.3	6.8	6.3
Waterbury	111,366	110,654	111,171	111,356	9,258	8,271	8,616	8,579	8.3	7.5	7.8	7.7
Delaware	459,098	474,940	462,287	480,469	24,465	22,802	23,420	21,150	5.3	4.8	5.1	4.4
Dover	76,427	78,341	77,185	79,346	4,351	3,951	4,245	3,702	5.7	5.0	5.5	4.7
Salisbury ¹	175,299	181,406	176,599	183,495	14,754	13,058	13,426	12,206	8.4	7.2	7.6	6.7
District of Columbia	386,773	394,707	384,644	393,956	29,285	27,214	27,213	24,883	7.6	6.9	7.1	6.3
Washington-Arlington-Alexandria	3,273,159	3,294,596	3,274,365	3,305,678	158,878	136,191	150,984	133,925	4.9	4.1	4.6	4.1
Florida	9,604,057	9,721,773	9,619,505	9,747,653	536,157	457,565	518,916	456,281	5.6	4.7	5.4	4.7
Cape Coral-Fort Myers	320,326	327,216	321,223	327,564	16,463	14,173	15,839	13,949	5.1	4.3	4.9	4.3
Crestview-Fort Walton Beach-Destin	115,841	116,119	118,571	118,950	5,797	4,937	5,422	4,828	5.0	4.3	4.6	4.1
Deltona-Daytona Beach-Ormond Beach	280,832	285,467	282,082	287,843	17,264	14,390	16,478	14,140	6.1	5.0	5.8	4.9
Gainesville	135,818	137,584	136,336	138,375	6,379	5,549	6,142	5,569	4.7	4.0	4.5	4.0
Homosassa Springs	47,250	47,372	47,975	47,714	3,830	3,203	3,598	3,124	8.1	6.8	7.5	6.5
Jacksonville	714,403	727,367	717,870	730,809	39,580	32,865	37,957	32,234	5.5	4.5	5.3	4.4
Lakeland-Winter Haven	277,168	280,791	278,322	282,197	17,789	14,863	16,879	14,679	6.4	5.3	6.1	5.2
Miami-Fort Lauderdale-West Palm Beach	3,006,004	3,029,126	2,993,460	3,019,337	166,465	145,510	166,023	149,121	5.5	4.8	5.5	4.9
Naples-Immokalee-Marco Island	165,457	165,325	165,531	165,774	8,248	7,258	7,838	7,129	5.0	4.4	4.7	4.3
North Port-Sarasota-Bradenton	341,410	346,033	343,782	347,335	17,570	15,207	16,890	14,977	5.1	4.4	4.9	4.3
Ocala	130,468	130,154	131,122	131,326	8,790	7,440	8,445	7,283	6.7	5.7	6.4	5.5
Orlando-Kissimmee-Sanford	1,204,759	1,234,918	1,209,122	1,241,241	64,447	54,024	61,400	53,439	5.3	4.4	5.1	4.3
Palm Bay-Melbourne-Titusville	256,870	256,267	257,022	256,344	15,961	13,362	15,213	13,203	6.2	5.2	5.9	5.2
Panama City	91,741	91,654	94,148	93,420	5,613	4,630	5,095	4,365	6.1	5.1	5.4	4.7
Pensacola-Ferry Pass-Brent	209,483	212,307	210,707	213,594	11,747	10,021	11,137	9,885	5.6	4.7	5.3	4.6
Port St. Lucie	200,069	202,747	200,943	202,971	12,072	10,338	11,416	10,098	6.0	5.1	5.7	5.0
Punta Gorda	67,632	68,219	67,726	68,572	4,122	3,578	3,967	3,495	6.1	5.2	5.9	5.1
Sebastian-Vero Beach	61,248	61,920	61,498	61,967	3,953	3,525	3,792	3,427	6.5	5.7	6.2	5.5
Sebring	35,957	36,653	35,806	36,550	2,650	2,246	2,533	2,205	7.4	6.1	7.1	6.0
Tallahassee	187,298	187,179	186,679	188,056	9,838	8,323	9,464	8,329	5.3	4.4	5.1	4.4
Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater	1,435,024	1,456,173	1,439,545	1,465,418	77,729	65,438	74,510	64,665	5.4	4.5	5.2	4.4
The Villages	28,542	28,976	28,646	29,033	2,260	1,988	2,183	1,957	7.9	6.9	7.6	6.7
Georgia	4,759,653	4,815,411	4,759,333	4,846,801	298,225	270,147	282,546	263,764	6.3	5.6	5.9	5.4
Albany	66,079	66,239	65,773	66,565	4,851	4,350	4,543	4,314	7.3	6.6	6.9	6.5
Athens-Clarke County	92,758	95,402	92,647	96,146	5,290	4,836	4,893	4,677	5.7	5.1	5.3	4.9
Atlanta-Sandy Springs-Roswell	2,825,989	2,869,071	2,823,179	2,882,551	168,833	152,318	160,376	149,517	6.0	5.3	5.7	5.2
Augusta-Richmond County	257,250	256,159	257,225	257,839	16,954	15,448	15,936	15,104	6.6	6.0	6.2	5.9
Brunswick	49,358	50,602	49,867	51,078	3,319	3,001	3,179	2,958	6.7	5.9	6.4	5.8
Columbus	125,351	124,388	125,222	124,910	9,079	8,451	8,559	8,275	7.2	6.8	6.8	6.6
Dalton	60,668	60,854	60,670	61,762	4,272	3,901	4,218	4,218	7.0	6.4	6.8	6.8
Gainesville	91,091	93,967	91,287	94,793	4,613	4,324	4,356	4,243	5.1	4.6	4.8	4.5
Hinesville	32,385	32,089	32,241	32,270	2,156	1,922	2,016	1,895	6.7	6.0	6.3	5.9
Macon	103,340	103,974	103,246	104,959	6,909	6,242	6,573	6,254	6.7	6.0	6.4	6.0
Rome	42,999	43,023	42,977	43,211	2,927	2,679	2,899	2,611	6.8	6.2	6.7	6.0
Savannah	174,529	179,222	174,859	180,159	10,438	9,467	9,846	9,184	6.0	5.3	5.6	5.1
Valdosta	63,044	62,719	63,180	63,847	4,019	3,503	3,757	3,342	6.4	5.6	5.9	5.2
Warner Robins	80,518	80,658	80,539	81,419	5,167	4,676	4,845	4,723	6.4	5.8	6.0	5.8
Hawaii	673,270	688,184	674,969	690,002	26,153	21,230	25,468	21,890	3.9	3.1	3.8	3.2
Kahului-Wailuku-Lahaina	83,009	85,517	83,680	85,956	3,448	2,863	3,429	2,923	4.2	3.3	4.1	3.4
Urban Honolulu	468,062	475,439	467,955	476,147	16,922	13,580	16,389	14,105	3.6	2.9	3.5	3.0
Idaho	785,092	798,981	787,431	801,624	38,834	36,021	37,027	33,829	4.9	4.5	4.7	4.2
Boise City	321,447	328,046	322,394	329,277	14,645	13,387	14,308	12,507	4.6	4.1	4.4	3.8
Coeur d'Alene	70,122	72,021	70,511	72,087	4,382	4,363	4,184	4,015	6.2	6.1	5.9	5.6
Idaho Falls	63,870	66,526	63,921	66,453	2,650	2,527	2,478	2,258	4.1	3.8	3.9	3.4
Lewiston	30,255	31,048	30,341	31,144	1,444	1,422	1,337	1,328	4.8	4.6	4.4	4.3
Pocatello	42,177	42,883	42,324	42,707	1,972	1,683	1,911	1,546	4.7	3.9	4.5	3.6
Illinois	6,459,564	6,574,920	6,452,137	6,619,887	418,333	458,073	387,047	446,871	6.5	7.0	6.0	6.8
Bloomington	99,489	98,772	98,979	98,263	5,018	4,186	4,525	5,892	5.0	6.3	4.6	6.0
Carbondale-Marion	60,337	60,240	60,074	60,763	3,617	4,366	3,461	4,245	6.0	7.2	5.8	7.0
Champaign-Urbana	118,777	121,291	119,308	122,725	6,374	7,492	5,773	7,143	5.4	6.2	4.8	5.8
Chicago-Naperville-Elgin	4,859,085	4,952,004	4,849,821	4,987,505	317,334	336,354	293,001	331,246	6.5	6.8	6.0	6.6
Danville	35,535	35,616	35,533	35,932	2,619	3,004	2,425	3,016	7.4	8.4	6.8	8.4
Davenport-Moline-Rock Island ¹	191,606	190,897	191,451	191,298	11,691	12,950	11,003	12,390	6.1	6.8	5.7	6.5
Decatur	49,499	49,615	49,733	49,964	3,647	4,070	3,417	3,925	7.4	8.2	6.9	7.9
Kankakee	54,474	55,691	54,493	55,881	4,049	4,474	3,750	4,302	7.4	8.0	6.9	7.7
Peoria	184,670	186,597	183,796	186,711	12,372	14,983	11,461	14,326	6.7	8.0	6.2	7.7
Rockford	165,552	170,525	164,830	170,094	11,957	13,590	11,242	13,173	7.2	8.0	6.8	7.7
Springfield	109,649	111,508	109,393	111,835	6,215	6,970	5,723	6,666	5.7	6.3	5.2	6.0
Indiana	3,226,977	3,309,986	3,229,254	3,319,627	180,807	179,886	169,205	182,287	5.6	5.4	5.2	5.5
Bloomington	77,733	78,653	77,513	78,510	4,244	4,524	4,087	4,404	5.5	5.8	5.3	5.6
Columbus	42,729	44,949	42,908	44,962	1,829	1,829	1,757	1,898	4.3	4.1	4.1	4.2
Elkhart-Goshen	102,615	103,777	103,067	103,693	4,450	4,308	4,101	4,453	4.3	4.2	4.0	4.3

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**LABOR FORCE DATA
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED**

Table 1. Civilian labor force and unemployment by state and metropolitan area — Continued

State and area	Civilian labor force				Unemployed							
	February		March		Number				Percent of labor force			
	2015	2016	2015	2016 ^p	February		March		February		March	
					2015	2016	2015	2016 ^p	2015	2016	2015	2016 ^p
Wisconsin - Continued												
Fond du Lac.....	56,896	58,035	57,075	58,024	2,887	2,850	2,730	2,503	5.1	4.9	4.8	4.3
Green Bay.....	169,769	172,181	169,008	171,239	8,772	8,842	8,367	7,976	5.2	5.1	5.0	4.7
Janesville-Beloit.....	82,932	86,124	83,077	85,771	5,178	5,088	5,077	4,571	6.2	5.9	6.1	5.3
La Crosse-Onalaska.....	77,719	78,548	77,655	78,713	3,569	3,963	3,416	3,603	4.6	5.0	4.4	4.6
Madison.....	374,449	385,833	373,508	383,220	14,799	15,060	14,457	13,899	4.0	3.9	3.9	3.6
Milwaukee-Waukesha-West Allis.....	821,841	830,534	818,182	828,738	45,909	45,424	44,490	41,793	5.6	5.5	5.4	5.0
Oshkosh-Neenah.....	91,117	93,152	90,959	92,636	4,593	4,328	4,390	3,971	5.0	4.6	4.8	4.3
Racine.....	99,692	99,604	98,540	99,234	6,542	6,613	6,342	6,019	6.6	6.6	6.4	6.1
Sheboygan.....	60,470	61,440	60,502	61,066	2,742	2,760	2,675	2,519	4.5	4.5	4.4	4.1
Wausau.....	73,458	74,646	73,466	74,390	3,619	3,693	3,448	3,343	4.9	4.9	4.7	4.5
Wyoming.....	303,743	298,674	305,469	299,015	13,234	16,849	13,685	17,111	4.4	5.6	4.5	5.7
Casper.....	44,034	41,727	44,186	41,585	1,838	3,001	2,063	3,051	4.2	7.2	4.7	7.3
Cheyenne.....	48,987	48,292	49,321	48,470	2,087	2,190	2,084	2,127	4.3	4.5	4.2	4.4
Puerto Rico.....	1,135,899	1,141,957	1,139,374	1,134,278	128,759	133,164	143,846	138,455	11.3	11.7	12.6	12.2
Aguadilla-Isabela.....	89,541	90,399	90,074	90,272	13,528	14,067	15,179	14,669	15.1	15.6	16.9	16.2
Arecibo.....	53,171	53,243	53,437	53,177	7,596	7,738	8,564	8,190	14.3	14.5	16.0	15.4
Guayama.....	22,631	22,779	22,884	22,813	4,060	3,934	4,473	4,187	17.9	17.3	19.5	18.4
Mayaguez.....	29,487	29,835	29,522	29,683	3,767	3,805	4,151	3,999	12.8	12.8	14.1	13.5
Ponce.....	99,937	100,637	100,438	99,998	14,943	16,123	16,527	16,590	15.0	16.0	16.5	16.6
San German.....	36,784	36,747	37,083	36,578	5,061	5,235	5,651	5,406	13.8	14.2	15.2	14.8
San Juan-Carolina-Caguas.....	757,330	762,477	758,573	755,646	72,063	74,643	80,765	77,521	9.5	9.8	10.6	10.3

¹ For operational reasons, these interstate areas are listed under the state that accounts for the larger share of the population, which is different from the state that contains the first principal city.

² The area boundary does not reflect the Office of Management and Budget delineation.

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NOTE: Data refer to place of residence. Data for Puerto Rico are derived from a monthly household survey similar to the Current Population Survey. Area delineations are based on Office of Management and Budget Bulletin No. 13-01, dated February 28, 2013, and are available on the BLS website at www.bls.gov/lau/lausmsa.htm. Areas in the six New England states are Metropolitan New England City and Town Areas (NECTAs), while areas in other states are county-based. Some metropolitan areas lie in two or more states. They are listed under the state containing the first principal city, unless otherwise footnoted. Estimates for the latest month are subject to revision the following month.

**ESTABLISHMENT DATA
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED**

Table 3. Employees on nonfarm payrolls by state and metropolitan area

[In thousands]

State and area	February		March		Change from March 2015 to March 2016 ^P	
	2015	2016	2015	2016 ^P	Number	Percent
Alabama.....	1,922.2	1,945.3	1,931.6	1,955.5	23.9	1.2
Anniston-Oxford-Jacksonville.....	45.9	46.2	45.9	46.2	0.3	0.7
Auburn-Opelika.....	60.5	61.5	60.8	61.5	0.7	1.2
Birmingham-Hoover.....	509.4	515.3	510.7	516.0	5.3	1.0
Daphne-Fairhope-Foley.....	66.7	69.1	69.0	71.8	2.8	4.1
Decatur.....	53.2	53.5	53.4	53.7	0.3	0.6
Dothan.....	56.8	57.0	57.0	57.5	0.5	0.9
Florence-Muscle Shoals.....	55.3	56.1	55.6	56.8	1.2	2.2
Gadsden.....	36.7	37.8	37.0	37.9	0.9	2.4
Huntsville.....	217.0	219.7	217.1	221.2	4.1	1.9
Mobile.....	175.5	175.7	176.1	178.2	2.1	1.2
Montgomery.....	167.8	169.2	168.6	169.8	1.2	0.7
Tuscaloosa.....	103.4	105.6	103.8	106.0	2.2	2.1
Alaska.....	325.6	326.1	328.1	327.1	-1.0	-0.3
Anchorage.....	176.7	176.9	177.3	177.3	0.0	0.0
Fairbanks.....	37.1	36.5	37.3	36.9	-0.4	-1.1
Arizona.....	2,620.9	2,700.4	2,628.3	2,712.6	84.3	3.2
Flagstaff.....	63.8	65.2	64.6	65.5	0.9	1.4
Lake Havasu City-Kingman.....	46.8	47.5	47.0	48.0	1.0	2.1
Phoenix-Mesa-Scottsdale.....	1,897.8	1,963.3	1,903.1	1,973.0	69.9	3.7
Prescott.....	60.2	62.6	60.6	63.3	2.7	4.5
Sierra Vista-Douglas.....	34.4	33.8	34.6	34.1	-0.5	-1.4
Tucson.....	369.5	381.0	369.9	381.3	11.4	3.1
Yuma.....	54.7	55.1	54.7	55.1	0.4	0.7
Arkansas.....	1,193.3	1,219.3	1,195.0	1,223.9	28.9	2.4
Fayetteville-Springdale-Rogers.....	230.4	241.6	231.2	242.2	11.0	4.8
Fort Smith.....	112.5	112.9	112.6	113.7	1.1	1.0
Hot Springs.....	37.0	37.7	37.3	38.2	0.9	2.4
Jonesboro.....	53.1	55.2	53.2	55.6	2.4	4.5
Little Rock-North Little Rock-Conway.....	345.9	352.1	346.3	353.1	6.8	2.0
Pine Bluff.....	33.9	33.6	33.9	33.7	-0.2	-0.6
California.....	15,770.9	16,226.2	15,860.2	16,298.6	438.4	2.8
Bakersfield.....	256.6	260.0	257.9	262.0	4.1	1.6
Chico.....	76.7	77.7	76.8	77.8	1.0	1.3
El Centro.....	50.5	52.9	51.1	53.2	2.1	4.1
Fresno.....	317.2	327.6	320.1	331.2	11.1	3.5
Hanford-Corcoran.....	37.6	38.4	37.4	38.3	0.9	2.4
Los Angeles-Long Beach-Anaheim.....	5,743.7	5,890.9	5,767.2	5,912.5	145.3	2.5
Madera.....	34.7	37.4	34.8	37.4	2.6	7.5
Merced.....	61.8	63.9	62.4	64.5	2.1	3.4
Modesto.....	161.9	167.1	163.3	168.5	5.2	3.2
Napa.....	68.3	71.2	68.9	71.4	2.5	3.6
Oxnard-Thousand Oaks-Ventura.....	293.3	296.5	293.8	297.5	3.7	1.3
Redding.....	61.7	63.0	62.1	63.3	1.2	1.9
Riverside-San Bernardino-Ontario.....	1,325.0	1,369.6	1,332.3	1,377.7	45.4	3.4
Sacramento--Roseville--Arden-Arcade.....	898.8	923.3	905.0	927.1	22.1	2.4
Salinas.....	128.9	134.4	129.3	134.2	4.9	3.8
San Diego-Carlsbad.....	1,360.6	1,397.6	1,367.2	1,406.9	39.7	2.9
San Francisco-Oakland-Hayward.....	2,209.2	2,285.2	2,224.4	2,295.5	71.1	3.2
San Jose-Sunnyvale-Santa Clara.....	1,020.6	1,060.3	1,025.3	1,063.8	38.5	3.8
San Luis Obispo-Paso Robles-Arroyo Grande.....	112.6	116.0	113.7	116.6	2.9	2.6
Santa Cruz-Watsonville.....	96.1	98.4	97.0	99.1	2.1	2.2
Santa Maria-Santa Barbara.....	178.3	182.8	178.9	184.1	5.2	2.9
Santa Rosa.....	192.4	199.0	193.5	200.6	7.1	3.7
Stockton-Lodi.....	212.7	220.7	213.4	222.1	8.7	4.1
Vallejo-Fairfield.....	129.0	134.3	130.0	134.1	4.1	3.2
Visalia-Porterville.....	116.2	120.3	117.1	120.7	3.6	3.1
Yuba City.....	39.2	41.2	40.0	41.3	1.3	3.3
Colorado.....	2,499.1	2,569.8	2,509.4	2,581.4	72.0	2.9

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**ESTABLISHMENT DATA
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED**

Table 3. Employees on nonfarm payrolls by state and metropolitan area — Continued

[In thousands]

State and area	February		March		Change from March 2015 to March 2016 ^P	
	2015	2016	2015	2016 ^P	Number	Percent
Colorado - Continued						
Boulder.....	177.9	181.2	178.5	181.9	3.4	1.9
Colorado Springs.....	264.4	272.4	265.6	274.2	8.6	3.2
Denver-Aurora-Lakewood.....	1,364.5	1,403.5	1,369.9	1,412.7	42.8	3.1
Fort Collins.....	150.2	156.6	151.2	157.8	6.6	4.4
Grand Junction.....	60.7	61.0	61.0	61.2	0.2	0.3
Greeley.....	101.6	100.4	101.1	100.9	-0.2	-0.2
Pueblo.....	59.9	61.0	59.9	61.5	1.6	2.7
Connecticut.....	1,641.9	1,656.6	1,648.8	1,664.8	16.0	1.0
Bridgeport-Stamford-Norwalk.....	399.1	400.0	400.6	404.5	3.9	1.0
Danbury.....	76.7	77.2	77.3	77.8	0.5	0.6
Hartford-West Hartford-East Hartford.....	560.5	565.6	562.9	567.8	4.9	0.9
New Haven.....	276.1	277.0	275.9	276.8	0.9	0.3
Norwich-New London-Westerly.....	123.1	126.9	123.6	127.3	3.7	3.0
Waterbury.....	65.4	66.2	65.6	66.3	0.7	1.1
Delaware.....	434.5	446.1	439.2	450.8	11.6	2.6
Dover.....	66.6	68.2	67.4	69.0	1.6	2.4
Salisbury ¹	141.4	148.6	143.5	150.9	7.4	5.2
District of Columbia.....	759.8	770.9	762.2	773.3	11.1	1.5
Washington-Arlington-Alexandria.....	3,111.7	3,179.6	3,119.9	3,206.5	86.6	2.8
Florida.....	8,013.6	8,271.3	8,064.7	8,312.9	248.2	3.1
Cape Coral-Fort Myers.....	246.6	255.8	247.6	256.1	8.5	3.4
Crestview-Fort Walton Beach-Destin.....	102.7	104.2	105.9	107.2	1.3	1.2
Deltona-Daytona Beach-Ormond Beach.....	186.7	193.2	188.3	195.1	6.8	3.6
Gainesville.....	133.9	137.7	134.5	138.5	4.0	3.0
Homosassa Springs.....	32.2	32.9	32.8	33.2	0.4	1.2
Jacksonville.....	637.5	660.3	642.1	664.7	22.6	3.5
Lakeland-Winter Haven.....	205.9	212.6	207.4	213.7	6.3	3.0
Miami-Fort Lauderdale-West Palm Beach.....	2,487.0	2,556.1	2,498.3	2,562.9	64.6	2.6
Naples-Immokalee-Marco Island.....	137.9	139.7	138.3	140.4	2.1	1.5
North Port-Sarasota-Bradenton.....	281.4	289.3	284.4	290.7	6.3	2.2
Ocala.....	96.9	98.4	97.6	99.4	1.8	1.8
Orlando-Kissimmee-Sanford.....	1,135.9	1,184.5	1,143.1	1,192.3	49.2	4.3
Palm Bay-Melbourne-Titusville.....	200.9	203.4	201.6	203.8	2.2	1.1
Panama City.....	79.8	80.9	82.9	83.1	0.2	0.2
Pensacola-Ferry Pass-Brent.....	164.0	168.6	165.5	170.1	4.6	2.8
Port St. Lucie.....	136.4	140.7	137.6	141.1	3.5	2.5
Punta Gorda.....	45.9	46.9	46.2	47.1	0.9	1.9
Sebastian-Vero Beach.....	48.7	50.0	49.0	50.4	1.4	2.9
Sebring.....	24.6	25.8	24.8	25.9	1.1	4.4
Tallahassee.....	174.2	176.0	173.9	177.3	3.4	2.0
Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater.....	1,234.3	1,272.8	1,241.8	1,283.6	41.8	3.4
The Villages.....	26.2	27.0	26.4	27.0	0.6	2.3
Georgia.....	4,188.1	4,312.3	4,208.8	4,339.6	130.8	3.1
Albany.....	60.9	61.9	60.9	61.7	0.8	1.3
Athens-Clarke County.....	89.4	93.5	89.7	93.7	4.0	4.5
Atlanta-Sandy Springs-Roswell.....	2,534.0	2,611.2	2,545.5	2,622.5	77.0	3.0
Augusta-Richmond County.....	226.4	227.2	227.7	229.0	1.3	0.6
Brunswick.....	40.7	42.4	41.3	42.6	1.3	3.1
Columbus.....	120.6	121.1	121.4	121.7	0.3	0.2
Dalton.....	66.8	67.9	67.2	68.6	1.4	2.1
Gainesville.....	81.3	85.4	81.9	85.9	4.0	4.9
Hinesville.....	19.8	19.7	19.8	19.7	-0.1	-0.5
Macon.....	100.6	102.8	101.1	103.5	2.4	2.4
Rome.....	39.7	40.3	40.0	40.6	0.6	1.5
Savannah.....	167.6	174.9	169.0	176.1	7.1	4.2
Valdosta.....	54.6	55.3	55.1	56.0	0.9	1.6
Warner Robins.....	69.3	70.5	69.9	70.8	0.9	1.3
Hawaii.....	633.4	647.8	637.0	654.2	17.2	2.7

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Table 3. Employees on nonfarm payrolls by state and metropolitan area — Continued

[In thousands]

State and area	February		March		Change from March 2015 to March 2016 ^P	
	2015	2016	2015	2016 ^P	Number	Percent
Hawaii - Continued						
Kahului-Wailuku-Lahaina.....	72.3	74.3	72.8	75.3	2.5	3.4
Urban Honolulu.....	466.9	475.2	469.3	479.1	9.8	2.1
Idaho.....	652.6	677.6	659.9	682.8	22.9	3.5
Boise City.....	285.0	292.9	288.2	296.3	8.1	2.8
Coeur d'Alene.....	56.0	57.9	56.8	58.7	1.9	3.3
Idaho Falls.....	59.8	62.8	60.6	63.5	2.9	4.8
Lewiston.....	27.1	27.4	27.5	28.0	0.5	1.8
Pocatello.....	34.9	36.0	35.3	36.0	0.7	2.0
Illinois.....	5,819.9	5,888.7	5,853.2	5,932.3	79.1	1.4
Bloomington.....	95.3	93.4	95.4	93.2	-2.2	-2.3
Carbondale-Marion.....	56.9	56.1	57.0	56.9	-0.1	-0.2
Champaign-Urbana.....	107.8	109.5	108.9	111.1	2.2	2.0
Chicago-Naperville-Elgin.....	4,465.0	4,542.2	4,493.5	4,574.9	81.4	1.8
Danville.....	29.2	28.9	29.5	29.3	-0.2	-0.7
Davenport-Moline-Rock Island ¹	179.9	178.3	180.8	179.6	-1.2	-0.7
Decatur.....	50.2	49.9	50.6	50.5	-0.1	-0.2
Kankakee.....	43.8	44.7	44.2	44.9	0.7	1.6
Peoria.....	175.6	175.4	176.2	176.0	-0.2	-0.1
Rockford.....	147.6	151.2	148.2	151.8	3.6	2.4
Springfield.....	110.0	111.6	110.6	112.5	1.9	1.7
Indiana.....	2,973.2	3,017.8	2,995.9	3,030.6	34.7	1.2
Bloomington.....	76.4	75.6	76.4	75.8	-0.6	-0.8
Columbus.....	50.4	52.5	50.8	52.5	1.7	3.3
Elkhart-Goshen.....	124.6	124.2	125.9	124.3	-1.6	-1.3
Evansville.....	155.3	154.0	155.9	155.0	-0.9	-0.6
Fort Wayne.....	211.7	218.2	213.0	219.1	6.1	2.9
Indianapolis-Carmel-Anderson.....	989.9	1,012.3	999.5	1,013.5	14.0	1.4
Kokomo.....	39.8	40.3	39.8	40.4	0.6	1.5
Lafayette-West Lafayette.....	101.5	102.7	101.2	102.3	1.1	1.1
Michigan City-La Porte.....	40.7	40.6	40.9	40.9	0.0	0.0
Muncie.....	50.7	51.6	50.8	51.7	0.9	1.8
South Bend-Mishawaka.....	135.5	139.2	136.2	140.0	3.8	2.8
Terre Haute.....	69.7	70.2	70.4	70.6	0.2	0.3
Iowa.....	1,532.1	1,549.3	1,542.3	1,558.4	16.1	1.0
Ames.....	53.4	53.9	53.2	53.6	0.4	0.8
Cedar Rapids.....	141.3	141.7	142.1	142.9	0.8	0.6
Des Moines-West Des Moines.....	341.0	344.2	342.4	344.3	1.9	0.6
Dubuque.....	58.2	59.5	59.0	60.1	1.1	1.9
Iowa City.....	97.5	98.9	98.3	99.4	1.1	1.1
Sioux City.....	86.1	87.0	86.5	87.5	1.0	1.2
Waterloo-Cedar Falls.....	91.1	89.9	91.5	90.6	-0.9	-1.0
Kansas.....	1,387.8	1,382.2	1,393.1	1,391.5	-1.6	-0.1
Lawrence.....	53.5	53.3	53.5	53.6	0.1	0.2
Manhattan.....	44.4	45.8	44.5	46.9	2.4	5.4
Topeka.....	109.9	109.1	109.9	109.7	-0.2	-0.2
Wichita.....	294.2	294.4	294.2	296.4	2.2	0.7
Kentucky.....	1,843.9	1,872.7	1,853.5	1,892.2	38.7	2.1
Bowling Green.....	70.9	72.3	70.9	72.9	2.0	2.8
Elizabethtown-Fort Knox.....	54.1	56.0	54.3	56.7	2.4	4.4
Lexington-Fayette.....	263.9	269.3	265.4	270.6	5.2	2.0
Louisville/Jefferson County.....	627.3	640.7	631.5	650.9	19.4	3.1
Owensboro.....	52.3	53.5	52.4	53.4	1.0	1.9
Louisiana.....	1,987.9	1,966.4	1,989.1	1,973.6	-15.5	-0.8
Alexandria.....	63.8	64.0	63.8	64.1	0.3	0.5
Baton Rouge.....	401.1	407.8	401.9	412.2	10.3	2.6
Hammond.....	43.4	43.1	43.6	43.3	-0.3	-0.7
Houma-Thibodaux.....	99.3	92.5	98.7	92.2	-6.5	-6.6
Lafayette.....	217.7	208.2	217.7	208.4	-9.3	-4.3

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Table 3. Employees on nonfarm payrolls by state and metropolitan area — Continued

[In thousands]

State and area	February		March		Change from March 2015 to March 2016 ^P	
	2015	2016	2015	2016 ^P	Number	Percent
Louisiana - Continued						
Lake Charles.....	100.9	103.8	101.5	104.6	3.1	3.1
Monroe.....	78.3	79.1	78.5	79.2	0.7	0.9
New Orleans-Metairie.....	571.1	570.1	572.3	573.3	1.0	0.2
Shreveport-Bossier City.....	184.1	181.6	183.8	182.0	-1.8	-1.0
Maine.....						
Bangor.....	585.4	592.4	588.2	594.3	6.1	1.0
Lewiston-Auburn.....	65.3	64.9	65.2	65.1	-0.1	-0.2
Portland-South Portland.....	49.1	50.3	49.5	50.0	0.5	1.0
Portland-South Portland.....	189.0	191.5	189.8	192.3	2.5	1.3
Maryland.....						
Baltimore-Columbia-Towson.....	2,596.9	2,638.3	2,613.6	2,677.8	64.2	2.5
California-Lexington Park.....	1,335.7	1,358.0	1,343.6	1,379.1	35.5	2.6
Cumberland.....	44.2	44.6	44.4	44.8	0.4	0.9
Hagerstown-Martinsburg.....	39.2	38.4	39.4	38.7	-0.7	-1.8
Hagerstown-Martinsburg.....	102.5	102.1	103.1	103.4	0.3	0.3
Massachusetts.....						
Barnstable Town.....	3,389.7	3,457.3	3,420.0	3,480.4	60.4	1.8
Boston-Cambridge-Nashua.....	91.5	95.2	92.8	96.6	3.8	4.1
Leominster-Gardner.....	2,578.8	2,625.6	2,602.2	2,644.9	42.7	1.6
New Bedford.....	49.5	50.2	49.8	50.9	1.1	2.2
Pittsfield.....	64.4	65.7	65.1	66.2	1.1	1.7
Springfield.....	40.3	41.2	40.4	41.4	1.0	2.5
Springfield.....	321.9	322.7	323.8	325.7	1.9	0.6
Worcester.....	273.4	276.7	275.3	278.6	3.3	1.2
Michigan.....						
Ann Arbor.....	4,158.0	4,249.2	4,174.0	4,266.5	92.5	2.2
Battle Creek.....	211.8	219.7	212.7	221.8	9.1	4.3
Bay City.....	57.8	58.4	58.1	58.7	0.6	1.0
Bay City.....	35.8	36.1	35.9	36.0	0.1	0.3
Detroit-Warren-Dearborn.....	1,897.0	1,937.2	1,905.0	1,946.6	41.6	2.2
Flint.....	136.9	137.8	137.6	138.4	0.8	0.6
Grand Rapids-Wyoming.....	516.1	528.6	518.7	531.9	13.2	2.5
Jackson.....	55.1	54.0	55.4	54.4	-1.0	-1.8
Kalamazoo-Portage.....	140.6	144.5	140.8	145.1	4.3	3.1
Lansing-East Lansing.....	224.3	228.2	223.9	228.6	4.7	2.1
Midland.....	37.4	37.3	37.4	37.4	0.0	0.0
Monroe.....	41.2	42.7	41.9	43.1	1.2	2.9
Muskegon.....	62.5	63.5	63.0	64.0	1.0	1.6
Niles-Benton Harbor.....	59.4	60.6	60.0	61.1	1.1	1.8
Saginaw.....	85.8	87.9	86.1	88.8	2.7	3.1
Minnesota.....						
Duluth.....	2,785.3	2,827.1	2,792.3	2,828.6	36.3	1.3
Mankato-North Mankato.....	133.3	130.6	133.2	130.6	-2.6	-2.0
Minneapolis-St. Paul-Bloomington.....	55.4	56.1	55.4	56.1	0.7	1.3
Rochester.....	1,883.0	1,916.6	1,887.5	1,921.3	33.8	1.8
St. Cloud.....	112.7	115.1	113.3	115.8	2.5	2.2
St. Cloud.....	105.1	107.8	105.7	107.6	1.9	1.8
Mississippi.....						
Gulfport-Biloxi-Pascagoula.....	1,123.3	1,138.3	1,125.3	1,144.2	18.9	1.7
Hattiesburg.....	152.0	152.8	153.7	154.1	0.4	0.3
Jackson.....	62.1	63.7	62.3	63.7	1.4	2.2
Jackson.....	273.0	276.8	273.1	278.6	5.5	2.0
Missouri.....						
Cape Girardeau.....	2,735.5	2,759.5	2,754.0	2,784.5	30.5	1.1
Columbia.....	43.9	44.3	44.0	44.6	0.6	1.4
Jefferson City.....	97.0	99.8	97.8	100.3	2.5	2.6
Joplin.....	74.7	75.7	75.4	76.3	0.9	1.2
Kansas City.....	79.8	80.1	80.0	80.6	0.6	0.8
St. Joseph.....	1,021.6	1,037.3	1,029.9	1,043.5	13.6	1.3
St. Louis ²	62.0	62.4	62.7	62.8	0.1	0.2
Springfield.....	1,314.6	1,335.1	1,321.1	1,343.9	22.8	1.7
Springfield.....	204.0	209.2	204.9	211.0	6.1	3.0
Montana.....						
Billings.....	448.8	451.2	452.6	454.7	2.1	0.5
Great Falls.....	82.2	83.4	82.8	83.9	1.1	1.3
Great Falls.....	35.6	35.4	35.8	35.6	-0.2	-0.6

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Table 3. Employees on nonfarm payrolls by state and metropolitan area — Continued

[In thousands]

State and area	February		March		Change from March 2015 to March 2016 ^P	
	2015	2016	2015	2016 ^P	Number	Percent
Montana - Continued						
Missoula.....	57.6	58.1	58.2	58.6	0.4	0.7
Nebraska.....	985.9	998.5	993.2	1,008.0	14.8	1.5
Grand Island.....	41.4	41.7	41.6	42.1	0.5	1.2
Lincoln.....	182.5	185.5	183.6	187.1	3.5	1.9
Omaha-Council Bluffs.....	481.2	487.2	484.4	491.7	7.3	1.5
Nevada.....	1,234.1	1,266.7	1,242.7	1,277.6	34.9	2.8
Carson City.....	27.8	27.5	28.0	27.9	-0.1	-0.4
Las Vegas-Henderson-Paradise.....	901.1	925.0	908.7	932.1	23.4	2.6
Reno.....	204.8	212.7	206.0	215.0	9.0	4.4
New Hampshire.....	641.0	654.3	644.2	655.5	11.3	1.8
Dover-Durham.....	52.0	52.5	52.6	52.8	0.2	0.4
Manchester.....	106.3	109.2	106.8	109.5	2.7	2.5
Portsmouth.....	83.5	87.8	84.0	88.9	4.9	5.8
New Jersey.....	3,906.4	3,973.4	3,938.8	4,010.9	72.1	1.8
Atlantic City-Hammonton.....	125.1	124.8	125.6	125.9	0.3	0.2
Ocean City.....	33.0	35.8	33.8	37.0	3.2	9.5
Trenton.....	254.3	261.6	254.5	261.9	7.4	2.9
Vineland-Bridgeton.....	56.2	56.6	56.4	57.5	1.1	2.0
New Mexico.....	821.8	821.8	823.5	826.5	3.0	0.4
Albuquerque.....	376.3	379.9	376.9	382.8	5.9	1.6
Farmington.....	52.0	51.0	51.9	51.0	-0.9	-1.7
Las Cruces.....	71.1	71.4	71.5	72.0	0.5	0.7
Santa Fe.....	61.1	62.5	61.4	62.5	1.1	1.8
New York.....	9,060.8	9,187.9	9,106.8	9,248.3	141.5	1.6
Albany-Schenectady-Troy.....	453.0	452.3	453.6	453.3	-0.3	-0.1
Binghamton.....	102.1	102.1	102.2	102.8	0.6	0.6
Buffalo-Cheektowaga-Niagara Falls.....	544.1	547.3	545.8	549.3	3.5	0.6
Elmira.....	38.0	37.9	38.3	37.8	-0.5	-1.3
Glens Falls.....	52.6	53.2	52.8	53.2	0.4	0.8
Ithaca.....	71.7	72.1	71.7	72.1	0.4	0.6
Kingston.....	59.0	60.2	59.4	60.6	1.2	2.0
New York-Newark-Jersey City.....	9,114.6	9,294.6	9,182.4	9,375.6	193.2	2.1
Rochester.....	520.5	515.7	521.6	519.1	-2.5	-0.5
Syracuse.....	313.8	314.3	313.9	314.9	1.0	0.3
Utica-Rome.....	123.8	125.4	124.5	125.3	0.8	0.6
Watertown-Fort Drum.....	40.5	41.6	40.8	41.6	0.8	2.0
North Carolina.....	4,165.0	4,253.7	4,183.8	4,292.5	108.7	2.6
Asheville.....	177.5	183.2	178.4	183.7	5.3	3.0
Burlington.....	59.0	59.3	59.3	59.8	0.5	0.8
Charlotte-Concord-Gastonia.....	1,085.2	1,107.9	1,091.2	1,121.2	30.0	2.7
Durham-Chapel Hill.....	295.2	297.7	294.3	300.5	6.2	2.1
Fayetteville.....	126.3	128.1	127.0	129.0	2.0	1.6
Goldsboro.....	41.6	42.3	41.7	42.6	0.9	2.2
Greensboro-High Point.....	350.4	355.7	351.2	357.9	6.7	1.9
Greenville.....	78.2	77.8	78.3	78.4	0.1	0.1
Hickory-Lenoir-Morganton.....	145.5	146.3	146.0	147.2	1.2	0.8
Jacksonville.....	48.8	48.4	49.1	48.8	-0.3	-0.6
New Bern.....	43.2	44.1	43.5	44.8	1.3	3.0
Raleigh.....	567.2	587.7	570.2	592.2	22.0	3.9
Rocky Mount.....	56.1	56.7	56.7	56.5	-0.2	-0.4
Wilmington.....	116.0	117.4	116.9	118.3	1.4	1.2
Winston-Salem.....	254.3	257.4	255.2	258.8	3.6	1.4
North Dakota.....	455.2	433.6	453.6	435.0	-18.6	-4.1
Bismarck.....	72.8	73.6	73.2	73.6	0.4	0.5
Fargo.....	136.4	138.8	136.6	139.1	2.5	1.8
Grand Forks.....	56.7	56.8	56.6	57.0	0.4	0.7
Ohio.....	5,295.5	5,375.8	5,322.3	5,419.4	97.1	1.8

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Table 3. Employees on nonfarm payrolls by state and metropolitan area — Continued

[In thousands]

State and area	February		March		Change from March 2015 to March 2016 ^P	
	2015	2016	2015	2016 ^P	Number	Percent
Ohio - Continued						
Akron.....	333.5	339.8	334.8	341.5	6.7	2.0
Canton-Massillon.....	169.2	169.8	169.7	170.4	0.7	0.4
Cincinnati.....	1,032.1	1,050.6	1,041.7	1,063.1	21.4	2.1
Cleveland-Elyria.....	1,022.1	1,030.0	1,024.5	1,037.9	13.4	1.3
Columbus.....	1,016.9	1,039.7	1,019.7	1,047.4	27.7	2.7
Dayton.....	371.9	380.7	373.5	381.8	8.3	2.2
Lima.....	51.4	53.1	51.6	53.4	1.8	3.5
Mansfield.....	51.8	51.4	51.8	51.7	-0.1	-0.2
Springfield.....	50.3	50.2	50.2	50.6	0.4	0.8
Toledo.....	298.5	304.9	299.6	306.9	7.3	2.4
Weirton-Steubenville ¹	42.5	42.4	42.7	42.8	0.1	0.2
Youngstown-Warren-Boardman.....	221.8	221.3	223.0	222.6	-0.4	-0.2
Oklahoma.....	1,663.6	1,656.9	1,665.6	1,660.9	-4.7	-0.3
Lawton.....	46.2	46.0	46.1	46.1	0.0	0.0
Oklahoma City.....	626.0	631.1	627.2	633.8	6.6	1.1
Tulsa.....	443.9	442.0	444.7	443.2	-1.5	-0.3
Oregon.....	1,740.9	1,799.8	1,750.7	1,810.2	59.5	3.4
Albany.....	41.3	41.6	41.6	42.0	0.4	1.0
Bend-Redmond.....	70.1	74.6	70.9	75.2	4.3	6.1
Corvallis.....	40.9	41.3	41.4	41.7	0.3	0.7
Eugene.....	149.4	153.3	150.3	153.8	3.5	2.3
Grants Pass.....	24.2	24.8	24.5	24.9	0.4	1.6
Medford.....	79.7	81.9	79.8	81.9	2.1	2.6
Portland-Vancouver-Hillsboro.....	1,091.6	1,126.6	1,096.8	1,132.1	35.3	3.2
Salem.....	152.5	157.1	153.3	157.6	4.3	2.8
Pennsylvania.....	5,737.0	5,792.0	5,761.0	5,833.4	72.4	1.3
Allentown-Bethlehem-Easton.....	349.0	351.7	351.1	353.8	2.7	0.8
Altoona.....	59.9	60.5	60.1	61.1	1.0	1.7
Bloomsburg-Berwick.....	41.6	42.4	41.8	42.4	0.6	1.4
Chambersburg-Waynesboro.....	59.9	61.2	59.7	61.4	1.7	2.8
East Stroudsburg.....	55.2	56.2	54.9	56.1	1.2	2.2
Erie.....	128.5	126.3	128.9	126.9	-2.0	-1.6
Gettysburg.....	34.2	34.1	34.1	34.8	0.7	2.1
Harrisburg-Carlisle.....	326.8	332.5	327.5	333.8	6.3	1.9
Johnstown.....	56.4	55.9	56.6	56.4	-0.2	-0.4
Lancaster.....	239.0	242.7	240.9	243.6	2.7	1.1
Lebanon.....	50.2	50.7	50.3	51.2	0.9	1.8
Philadelphia-Camden-Wilmington.....	2,766.9	2,828.2	2,782.2	2,853.9	71.7	2.6
Pittsburgh.....	1,139.8	1,141.0	1,145.8	1,148.0	2.2	0.2
Reading.....	173.4	176.2	173.7	176.3	2.6	1.5
Scranton--Wilkes-Barre--Hazleton.....	253.1	254.8	254.9	257.6	2.7	1.1
State College.....	76.5	77.5	76.7	78.0	1.3	1.7
Williamsport.....	55.8	54.2	55.5	54.5	-1.0	-1.8
York-Hanover.....	177.7	181.5	178.6	183.3	4.7	2.6
Rhode Island.....	468.5	476.4	472.4	482.0	9.6	2.0
Providence-Warwick.....	556.2	566.2	561.0	572.6	11.6	2.1
South Carolina.....	1,960.2	2,007.2	1,979.1	2,035.0	55.9	2.8
Charleston-North Charleston.....	325.5	333.7	328.9	337.2	8.3	2.5
Columbia.....	379.7	387.8	380.8	393.2	12.4	3.3
Florence.....	85.1	86.6	86.2	87.7	1.5	1.7
Greenville-Anderson-Mauldin.....	393.1	402.7	395.2	406.6	11.4	2.9
Hilton Head Island-Bluffton-Beaufort.....	71.7	74.3	73.0	75.7	2.7	3.7
Myrtle Beach-Conway-North Myrtle Beach.....	144.4	149.6	150.1	154.9	4.8	3.2
Spartanburg.....	139.6	144.6	140.4	145.8	5.4	3.8
Sumter.....	38.6	39.4	38.7	39.9	1.2	3.1
South Dakota.....	416.2	421.1	419.5	423.3	3.8	0.9
Rapid City.....	63.6	63.1	64.1	63.7	-0.4	-0.6
Sioux Falls.....	145.9	151.7	147.2	152.0	4.8	3.3

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Table 3. Employees on nonfarm payrolls by state and metropolitan area — Continued

[In thousands]

State and area	February		March		Change from March 2015 to March 2016 ^P	
	2015	2016	2015	2016 ^P	Number	Percent
Tennessee.....	2,831.7	2,924.0	2,845.6	2,937.2	91.6	3.2
Chattanooga.....	240.5	248.9	241.6	249.2	7.6	3.1
Clarksville.....	87.4	89.0	87.5	89.8	2.3	2.6
Cleveland.....	45.4	47.0	45.2	47.1	1.9	4.2
Jackson.....	64.8	66.2	65.5	66.9	1.4	2.1
Johnson City.....	77.6	78.5	77.7	79.0	1.3	1.7
Kingsport-Bristol-Bristol.....	119.3	121.8	119.5	122.4	2.9	2.4
Knoxville.....	378.2	390.2	380.0	391.8	11.8	3.1
Memphis.....	617.5	628.6	618.3	629.1	10.8	1.7
Morristown.....	44.0	45.3	44.5	45.8	1.3	2.9
Nashville-Davidson--Murfreesboro--Franklin.....	890.7	923.5	895.4	928.8	33.4	3.7
Texas.....	11,720.2	11,899.4	11,741.3	11,923.1	181.8	1.5
Abilene.....	68.2	68.8	68.2	68.7	0.5	0.7
Amarillo.....	117.5	118.7	117.4	119.5	2.1	1.8
Austin-Round Rock.....	938.2	978.4	944.6	983.3	38.7	4.1
Beaumont-Port Arthur.....	167.5	167.6	166.7	166.9	0.2	0.1
Brownsville-Harlingen.....	137.5	140.9	139.0	142.8	3.8	2.7
College Station-Bryan.....	107.8	112.8	108.6	113.3	4.7	4.3
Corpus Christi.....	192.6	197.0	193.6	198.0	4.4	2.3
Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington.....	3,331.0	3,451.4	3,336.7	3,466.6	129.9	3.9
El Paso.....	298.2	307.4	298.9	308.0	9.1	3.0
Houston-The Woodlands-Sugar Land.....	2,974.6	2,983.2	2,980.1	2,987.8	7.7	0.3
Killeen-Temple.....	135.7	140.3	136.4	140.9	4.5	3.3
Laredo.....	100.1	102.5	100.5	102.4	1.9	1.9
Longview.....	102.4	100.2	101.4	100.1	-1.3	-1.3
Lubbock.....	138.4	142.3	139.1	143.5	4.4	3.2
McAllen-Edinburg-Mission.....	247.2	253.3	248.2	255.1	6.9	2.8
Midland.....	95.4	90.4	94.1	90.4	-3.7	-3.9
Odessa.....	78.7	73.6	77.9	73.8	-4.1	-5.3
San Angelo.....	49.1	49.5	49.2	49.8	0.6	1.2
San Antonio-New Braunfels.....	966.9	992.9	970.7	998.4	27.7	2.9
Sherman-Denison.....	45.5	46.4	45.3	46.8	1.5	3.3
Texarkana.....	59.3	60.6	59.4	60.7	1.3	2.2
Tyler.....	99.0	101.9	99.4	102.4	3.0	3.0
Victoria.....	45.0	44.7	45.0	44.8	-0.2	-0.4
Waco.....	113.6	115.9	113.4	116.3	2.9	2.6
Wichita Falls.....	58.5	58.1	58.3	58.5	0.2	0.3
Utah.....	1,350.4	1,395.6	1,361.0	1,405.4	44.4	3.3
Logan.....	57.5	59.8	58.0	60.0	2.0	3.4
Ogden-Clearfield.....	234.0	246.0	235.6	247.5	11.9	5.1
Provo-Orem.....	219.5	231.7	221.7	234.2	12.5	5.6
St. George.....	55.2	59.0	56.1	59.6	3.5	6.2
Salt Lake City.....	663.6	682.7	668.3	685.8	17.5	2.6
Vermont.....	311.1	317.3	310.5	315.5	5.0	1.6
Burlington-South Burlington.....	122.6	125.8	122.4	124.8	2.4	2.0
Virginia.....	3,766.5	3,861.4	3,780.0	3,888.5	108.5	2.9
Blacksburg-Christiansburg-Radford.....	77.3	78.0	76.9	77.9	1.0	1.3
Charlottesville.....	111.2	115.4	111.3	115.7	4.4	4.0
Harrisonburg.....	64.8	65.2	64.5	65.0	0.5	0.8
Lynchburg.....	101.5	102.2	101.7	102.7	1.0	1.0
Richmond.....	634.1	662.5	636.7	665.1	28.4	4.5
Roanoke.....	158.5	161.3	159.1	162.0	2.9	1.8
Staunton-Waynesboro.....	48.5	48.2	48.9	48.6	-0.3	-0.6
Virginia Beach-Norfolk-Newport News.....	748.7	753.0	752.3	763.1	10.8	1.4
Winchester.....	59.4	62.1	59.9	62.7	2.8	4.7
Washington.....	3,084.2	3,183.1	3,106.5	3,203.9	97.4	3.1
Bellingham.....	86.2	87.8	86.9	88.9	2.0	2.3
Bremerton-Silverdale.....	85.6	88.2	86.6	88.5	1.9	2.2
Kennewick-Richland.....	103.9	107.6	105.2	108.8	3.6	3.4
Longview.....	38.3	39.3	38.7	39.7	1.0	2.6

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Table 3. Employees on nonfarm payrolls by state and metropolitan area — Continued

[In thousands]

State and area	February		March		Change from March 2015 to March 2016 ^P	
	2015	2016	2015	2016 ^P	Number	Percent
Washington - Continued						
Mount Vernon-Anacortes.....	46.7	47.9	47.3	48.3	1.0	2.1
Olympia-Tumwater.....	107.5	110.7	108.1	111.2	3.1	2.9
Seattle-Tacoma-Bellevue.....	1,851.5	1,913.1	1,863.0	1,923.7	60.7	3.3
Spokane-Spokane Valley.....	231.2	235.2	232.9	236.7	3.8	1.6
Walla Walla.....	26.9	27.2	27.3	27.5	0.2	0.7
Wenatchee.....	40.7	41.3	41.2	42.1	0.9	2.2
Yakima.....	79.7	81.7	80.6	82.6	2.0	2.5
West Virginia.....	755.6	746.2	759.9	753.4	-6.5	-0.9
Beckley.....	46.5	45.4	46.3	45.7	-0.6	-1.3
Charleston.....	122.2	120.3	123.1	121.5	-1.6	-1.3
Huntington-Ashland.....	138.8	139.1	139.6	140.8	1.2	0.9
Morgantown.....	70.7	71.7	71.5	72.6	1.1	1.5
Parkersburg-Vienna.....	41.8	41.5	41.9	41.8	-0.1	-0.2
Wheeling.....	67.2	66.8	67.6	67.4	-0.2	-0.3
Wisconsin.....	2,824.4	2,868.4	2,837.8	2,882.3	44.5	1.6
Appleton.....	119.5	121.8	120.4	122.6	2.2	1.8
Eau Claire.....	83.8	84.6	84.5	84.6	0.1	0.1
Fond du Lac.....	47.0	47.6	47.6	48.2	0.6	1.3
Green Bay.....	169.6	171.1	170.2	171.6	1.4	0.8
Janesville-Beloit.....	65.1	67.4	65.6	67.9	2.3	3.5
La Crosse-Onalaska.....	76.7	76.6	77.1	77.6	0.5	0.6
Madison.....	381.7	391.4	383.0	391.5	8.5	2.2
Milwaukee-Waukesha-West Allis.....	839.1	844.0	842.3	849.1	6.8	0.8
Oshkosh-Neenah.....	92.6	94.5	93.5	94.7	1.2	1.3
Racine.....	75.7	74.9	75.2	75.1	-0.1	-0.1
Sheboygan.....	59.0	60.0	60.0	59.8	-0.2	-0.3
Wausau.....	70.7	71.4	71.4	71.9	0.5	0.7
Wyoming.....	286.1	276.9	286.9	277.4	-9.5	-3.3
Casper.....	43.3	39.8	43.1	40.0	-3.1	-7.2
Cheyenne.....	46.5	46.2	46.7	46.8	0.1	0.2
Puerto Rico.....	902.1	893.4	908.6	895.9	-12.7	-1.4
Aguadilla-Isabela.....	51.0	51.2	51.2	51.5	0.3	0.6
Arecibo.....	33.4	33.1	33.5	33.2	-0.3	-0.9
Guayama.....	15.3	15.5	15.5	15.5	0.0	0.0
Mayaguez.....	34.2	34.4	34.3	34.6	0.3	0.9
Ponce.....	72.7	71.4	73.1	71.5	-1.6	-2.2
San German.....	20.6	20.1	20.8	20.1	-0.7	-3.4
San Juan-Carolina-Caguas.....	652.7	646.3	658.1	648.2	-9.9	-1.5
Virgin Islands.....	38.0	37.6	38.3	37.8	-0.5	-1.3

¹ For operational reasons, these interstate areas are listed under the state that accounts for the larger share of the population, which is different from the state that contains the first principal city.

² Area boundary does not reflect the official OMB delineation.

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**ESTABLISHMENT DATA
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Table 4. Employees on nonfarm payrolls by state, selected metropolitan area, and metropolitan division¹
[In thousands]

State, area, and division	February		March		Change from March 2015 to March 2016 ^p	
	2015	2016	2015	2016 ^p	Number	Percent
California.....	15,770.9	16,226.2	15,860.2	16,298.6	438.4	2.8
Los Angeles-Long Beach-Anaheim.....	5,743.7	5,890.9	5,767.2	5,912.5	145.3	2.5
Anaheim-Santa Ana-Irvine.....	1,518.8	1,562.0	1,523.2	1,570.8	47.6	3.1
Los Angeles-Long Beach-Glendale.....	4,224.9	4,328.9	4,244.0	4,341.7	97.7	2.3
San Francisco-Oakland-Hayward.....	2,209.2	2,285.2	2,224.4	2,295.5	71.1	3.2
Oakland-Hayward-Berkeley.....	1,073.6	1,103.9	1,082.2	1,108.2	26.0	2.4
San Francisco-Redwood City-South San Francisco.....	1,025.5	1,067.1	1,031.4	1,072.4	41.0	4.0
San Rafael.....	110.1	114.2	110.8	114.9	4.1	3.7
District of Columbia.....	759.8	770.9	762.2	773.3	11.1	1.5
Washington-Arlington-Alexandria ²	3,111.7	3,179.6	3,119.9	3,206.5	86.6	2.8
Silver Spring-Frederick-Rockville ³	574.1	581.8	576.1	592.2	16.1	2.8
Washington-Arlington-Alexandria ²	2,537.6	2,597.8	2,543.8	2,614.3	70.5	2.8
Florida.....	8,013.6	8,271.3	8,064.7	8,312.9	248.2	3.1
Miami-Fort Lauderdale-West Palm Beach.....	2,487.0	2,556.1	2,498.3	2,562.9	64.6	2.6
Fort Lauderdale-Pompano Beach-Deerfield Beach.....	790.6	821.3	792.8	820.1	27.3	3.4
Miami-Miami Beach-Kendall.....	1,114.2	1,134.4	1,120.1	1,143.3	23.2	2.1
West Palm Beach-Boca Raton-Delray Beach.....	582.2	600.4	585.4	599.5	14.1	2.4
Illinois.....	5,819.9	5,888.7	5,853.2	5,932.3	79.1	1.4
Chicago-Naperville-Elgin ²	4,465.0	4,542.2	4,493.5	4,574.9	81.4	1.8
Chicago-Naperville-Arlington Heights.....	3,561.4	3,623.4	3,582.3	3,647.8	65.5	1.8
Elgin.....	246.1	250.9	248.0	253.6	5.6	2.3
Gary ³	269.2	271.2	271.7	272.1	0.4	0.1
Lake County-Kenosha County ²	388.3	396.7	391.5	401.4	9.9	2.5
Massachusetts.....	3,389.7	3,457.3	3,420.0	3,480.4	60.4	1.8
Boston-Cambridge-Nashua ²	2,578.8	2,625.6	2,602.2	2,644.9	42.7	1.6
Boston-Cambridge-Newton.....	1,728.7	1,760.2	1,744.5	1,773.7	29.2	1.7
Brockton-Bridgewater-Easton.....	78.2	82.2	79.0	82.4	3.4	4.3
Framingham.....	167.6	169.4	169.9	170.9	1.0	0.6
Haverhill-Newburyport-Amesbury Town ²	62.0	65.0	62.8	66.1	3.3	5.3
Lawrence-Methuen Town-Salem ²	79.6	81.9	79.9	82.3	2.4	3.0
Lowell-Billerica-Chelmsford ²	145.3	147.0	145.9	146.7	0.8	0.5
Lynn-Saugus-Marblehead.....	43.6	43.5	43.8	43.8	0.0	0.0
Nashua ²	122.8	123.5	123.9	124.5	0.6	0.5
Peabody-Salem-Beverly.....	94.3	94.8	95.2	95.7	0.5	0.5
Taunton-Middleborough-Norton.....	56.7	58.1	57.3	58.8	1.5	2.6
Michigan.....	4,158.0	4,249.2	4,174.0	4,266.5	92.5	2.2
Detroit-Warren-Dearborn.....	1,897.0	1,937.2	1,905.0	1,946.6	41.6	2.2
Detroit-Dearborn-Livonia.....	724.3	735.1	727.9	738.3	10.4	1.4
Warren-Troy-Farmington Hills.....	1,172.7	1,202.1	1,177.1	1,208.3	31.2	2.7
New York.....	9,060.8	9,187.9	9,106.8	9,248.3	141.5	1.6
New York-Newark-Jersey City ²	9,114.6	9,294.6	9,182.4	9,375.6	193.2	2.1
Dutchess County-Putnam County.....	140.6	142.7	142.0	144.5	2.5	1.8
Nassau County-Suffolk County.....	1,260.8	1,276.5	1,273.4	1,298.4	25.0	2.0
Newark ³	1,165.1	1,177.5	1,173.4	1,184.3	10.9	0.9
New York-Jersey City-White Plains ²	6,548.1	6,697.9	6,593.6	6,748.4	154.8	2.3
Pennsylvania.....	5,737.0	5,792.0	5,761.0	5,833.4	72.4	1.3
Philadelphia-Camden-Wilmington ²	2,766.9	2,828.2	2,782.2	2,853.9	71.7	2.6
Camden ³	504.7	521.2	509.0	526.5	17.5	3.4
Montgomery County-Bucks County-Chester County.....	1,007.5	1,025.2	1,013.8	1,036.5	22.7	2.2
Philadelphia.....	907.4	925.6	909.0	930.8	21.8	2.4
Wilmington ³	347.3	356.2	350.4	360.1	9.7	2.8
Texas.....	11,720.2	11,899.4	11,741.3	11,923.1	181.8	1.5
Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington.....	3,331.0	3,451.4	3,336.7	3,466.6	129.9	3.9
Dallas-Plano-Irving.....	2,347.9	2,455.9	2,352.6	2,465.2	112.6	4.8
Fort Worth-Arlington.....	983.1	995.5	984.1	1,001.4	17.3	1.8
Washington.....	3,084.2	3,183.1	3,106.5	3,203.9	97.4	3.1
Seattle-Tacoma-Bellevue.....	1,851.5	1,913.1	1,863.0	1,923.7	60.7	3.3
Seattle-Bellevue-Everett.....	1,560.7	1,612.4	1,570.1	1,621.4	51.3	3.3
Tacoma-Lakewood.....	290.8	300.7	292.9	302.3	9.4	3.2

¹ These 11 areas contain all of the 38 metropolitan divisions.

² Part of the area (or division) is in one or more adjacent states.

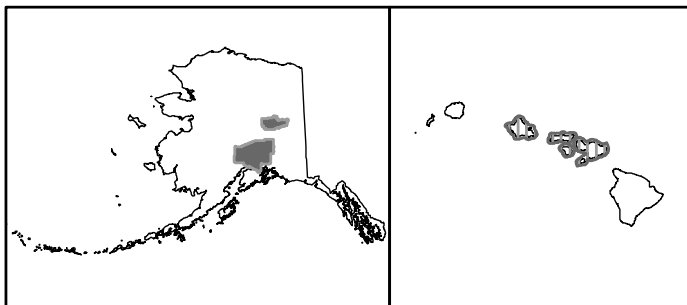
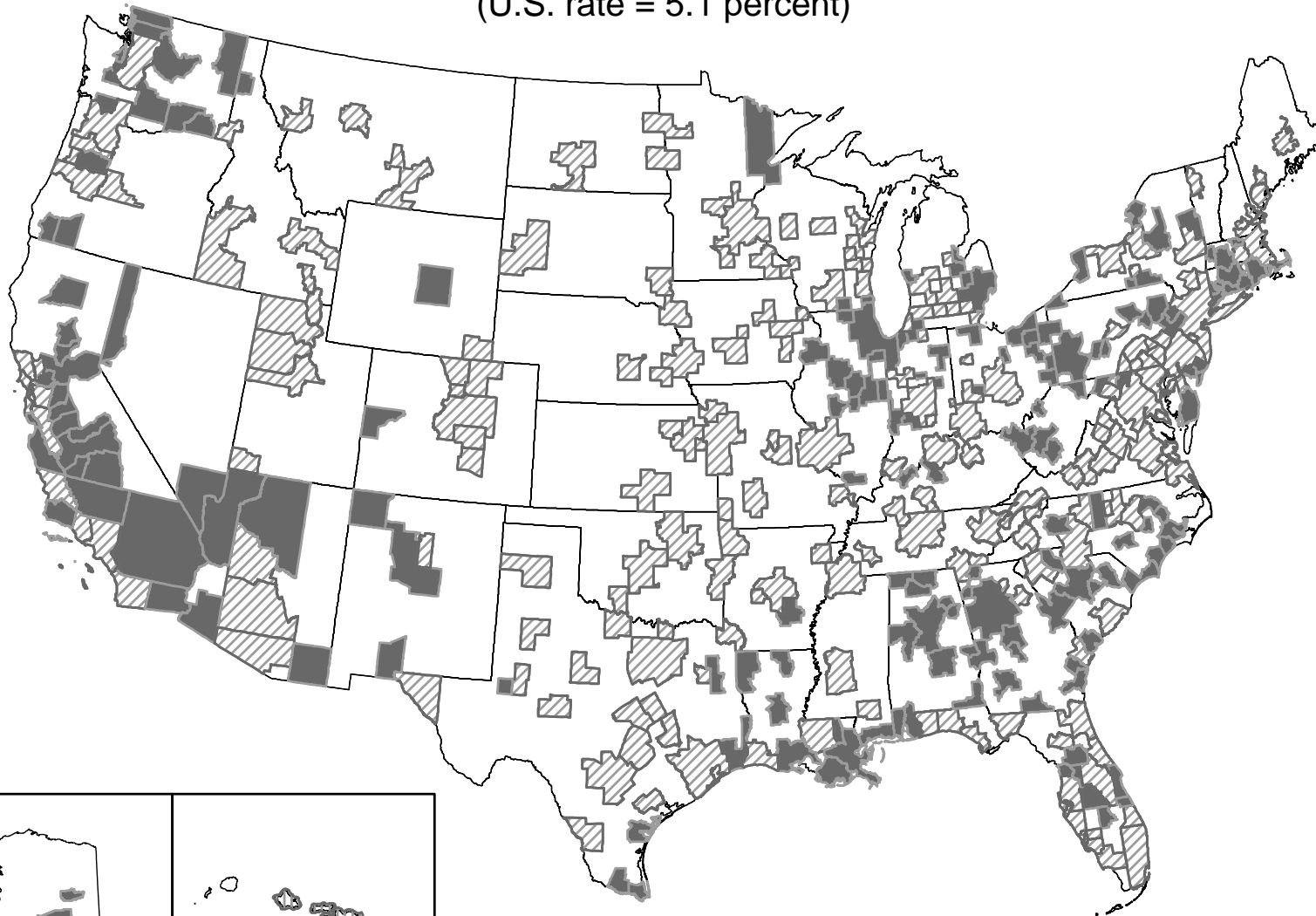
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Map 1. Unemployment rates for metropolitan areas, not seasonally adjusted, March 2016

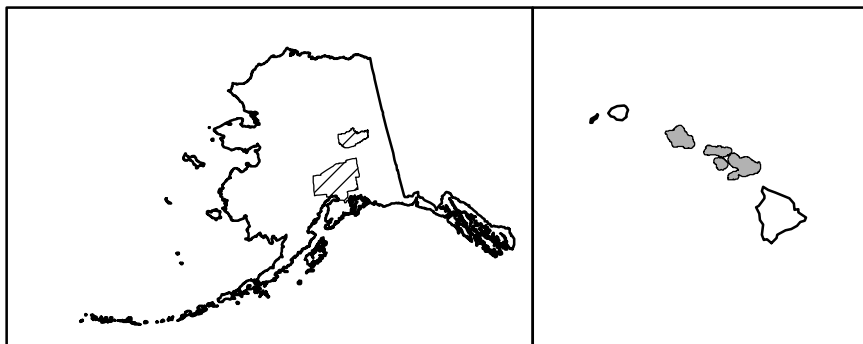
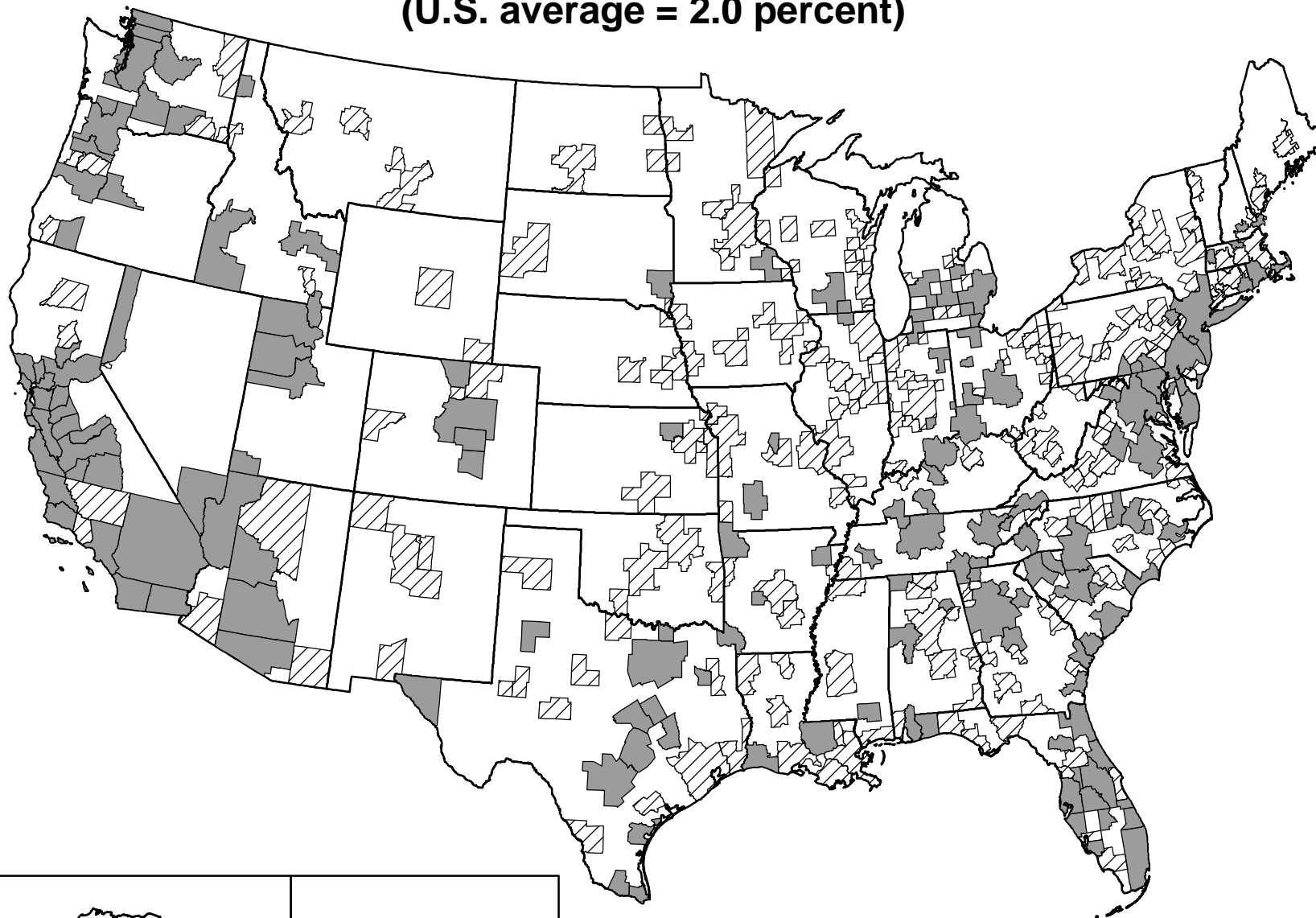
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Note: Map includes data for 387 metropolitan areas based on Office of Management and Budget Bulletin No. 13-01. Areas in the six New England states are Metropolitan New England City and Town areas (NECTAs), while areas in other states are county-based.

■ Above U.S. average
▨ U.S. average or below

**Map 2. Over-the-year percentage change in employment, by metropolitan area,
not seasonally adjusted, March 2016
(U.S. average = 2.0 percent)**



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-  Above U.S. average
-  U.S. average or below