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Month	Year	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Unemployment Rate
January	2012	153,485	139,944	13,541	8.8
Annual Average	2011	153,617	139,869	13,747	8.9
December	2011	153,373	140,681	12,692	8.3
November	2011	153,683	141,070	12,613	8.2
October	2011	154,088	140,987	13,102	8.5
September	2011	154,022	140,502	13,520	8.8
August	2011	154,344	140,335	14,008	9.1
July	2011	154,812	140,384	14,428	9.3
June	2011	154,538	140,129	14,409	9.3
May	2011	153,449	140,028	13,421	8.7
April	2011	152,898	139,661	13,237	8.7
March	2011	153,022	138,962	14,060	9.2
February	2011	152,635	138,093	14,542	9.5
January	2011	152,536	137,599	14,937	9.8
Annual Average	2010	153,889	139,064	14,825	9.6
December	2010	153,156	139,159	13,997	9.1
November	2010	153,698	139,415	14,282	9.3
October	2010	153,652	139,749	13,903	9.0
September	2010	153,854	139,715	14,140	9.2
August	2010	154,678	139,919	14,759	9.5
July	2010	155,270	140,134	15,137	9.7
June	2010	154,767	139,882	14,885	9.6
May	2010	153,866	139,497	14,369	9.3
April	2010	153,911	139,302	14,609	9.5
March	2010	153,660	137,983	15,678	10.2
February	2010	153,194	137,203	15,991	10.4
January	2010	152,957	136,809	16,147	10.6
Annual Average	2009	154,142	139,877	14,265	9.3
December	2009	152,693	137,953	14,740	9.7
November	2009	153,539	139,132	14,407	9.4
October	2009	153,635	139,088	14,547	9.5
September	2009	153,617	139,079	14,538	9.5
August	2009	154,897	140,074	14,823	9.6
July	2009	156,255	141,055	15,201	9.7
June	2009	155,921	140,826	15,095	9.7
May	2009	154,336	140,363	13,973	9.1
April	2009	153,834	140,586	13,248	8.6
March	2009	153,728	139,833	13,895	9.0
February	2009	153,804	140,105	13,699	8.9
January	2009	153,445	140,436	13,009	8.5
Annual Average	2008	154,287	145,362	8,924	5.8
December	2008	154,349	143,350	10,999	7.1
November	2008	154,624	144,609	10,015	6.5
October	2008	155,012	145,543	9,469	6.1
September	2008	154,509	145,310	9,199	6.0
August	2008	155,387	145,909	9,479	6.1
July	2008	156,300	146,867	9,433	6.0
June	2008	155,582	146,649	8,933	5.7
May	2008	154,003	145,927	8,076	5.2
April	2008	153,208	145,921	7,287	4.8
March	2008	153,135	145,108	8,027	5.2
February	2008	152,503	144,550	7,953	5.2
January	2008	152,828	144,607	8,221	5.4
Annual Average	2007	153,124	146,047	7,078	4.6

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December	2007	153,705	146,334	7,371	4.8
November	2007	154,035	147,118	6,917	4.5
October	2007	153,516	146,743	6,773	4.4
September	2007	153,400	146,448	6,952	4.5
August	2007	153,493	146,406	7,088	4.6
July	2007	154,871	147,315	7,556	4.9
June	2007	154,252	146,958	7,295	4.7
May	2007	152,350	145,864	6,486	4.3
April	2007	151,829	145,297	6,532	4.3
March	2007	152,236	145,323	6,913	4.5
February	2007	151,879	144,479	7,400	4.9
January	2007	151,924	144,275	7,649	5.0
Annual Average	2006	151,428	144,427	7,001	4.6
December	2006	152,571	146,081	6,491	4.3
November	2006	152,590	146,014	6,576	4.3
October	2006	152,397	146,125	6,272	4.1
September	2006	151,635	145,010	6,625	4.4
August	2006	152,465	145,379	7,086	4.6
July	2006	153,208	145,606	7,602	5.0
June	2006	152,557	145,216	7,341	4.8
May	2006	150,696	144,041	6,655	4.4
April	2006	150,209	143,405	6,804	4.5
March	2006	150,027	142,772	7,255	4.8
February	2006	149,686	141,994	7,692	5.1
January	2006	149,090	141,481	7,608	5.1
Annual Average	2005	149,320	141,730	7,591	5.1
December	2005	149,874	142,918	6,956	4.6
November	2005	150,239	142,968	7,271	4.8
October	2005	150,304	143,340	6,964	4.6
September	2005	149,838	142,579	7,259	4.8
August	2005	150,469	143,142	7,327	4.9
July	2005	151,122	143,283	7,839	5.2
June	2005	150,327	142,456	7,870	5.2
May	2005	148,878	141,591	7,287	4.9
April	2005	148,274	140,939	7,335	4.9
March	2005	147,745	139,759	7,986	5.4
February	2005	147,649	139,100	8,549	5.8
January	2005	147,125	138,682	8,444	5.7
Annual Average	2004	147,401	139,252	8,149	5.5
December	2004	147,877	140,278	7,599	5.1
November	2004	148,246	140,581	7,665	5.2
October	2004	147,978	140,447	7,531	5.1
September	2004	147,186	139,641	7,545	5.1
August	2004	148,166	140,226	7,940	5.4
July	2004	149,217	140,700	8,518	5.7
June	2004	148,478	139,861	8,616	5.8
May	2004	146,659	138,867	7,792	5.3
April	2004	146,260	138,423	7,837	5.4
March	2004	146,525	137,691	8,834	6.0
February	2004	146,154	137,384	8,770	6.0
January	2004	146,068	136,924	9,144	6.3
Annual Average	2003	146,510	137,736	8,774	6.0
December	2003	146,501	138,556	7,945	5.4
November	2003	146,969	138,700	8,269	5.6

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October	2003	146,787	138,619	8,169	5.6
September	2003	146,166	137,731	8,436	5.8
August	2003	146,967	138,137	8,830	6.0
July	2003	147,822	138,503	9,319	6.3
June	2003	148,117	138,468	9,649	6.5
May	2003	146,067	137,567	8,500	5.8
April	2003	145,925	137,424	8,501	5.8
March	2003	145,801	136,783	9,018	6.2
February	2003	145,693	136,433	9,260	6.4
January	2003	145,301	135,907	9,395	6.5
Annual Average	2002	144,863	136,485	8,378	5.8
December	2002	144,807	136,599	8,209	5.7
November	2002	144,854	136,684	8,170	5.6
October	2002	145,320	137,551	7,769	5.3
September	2002	145,167	137,377	7,790	5.4
August	2002	145,565	137,295	8,271	5.7
July	2002	146,189	137,495	8,693	5.9
June	2002	145,940	137,181	8,758	6.0
May	2002	144,527	136,559	7,969	5.5
April	2002	144,158	135,903	8,255	5.7
March	2002	144,334	135,558	8,776	6.1
February	2002	144,266	135,443	8,823	6.1
January	2002	143,228	134,177	9,051	6.3
Annual Average	2001	143,734	136,933	6,801	4.7
December	2001	144,042	136,269	7,773	5.4
November	2001	143,987	136,370	7,617	5.3
October	2001	144,060	136,885	7,175	5.0
September	2001	143,601	136,835	6,766	4.7
August	2001	143,826	136,809	7,017	4.9
July	2001	145,097	138,239	6,858	4.7
June	2001	144,553	137,737	6,816	4.7
May	2001	143,023	137,121	5,901	4.1
April	2001	143,026	137,022	6,004	4.2
March	2001	143,664	137,155	6,509	4.5
February	2001	143,100	136,577	6,523	4.6
January	2001	142,828	136,181	6,647	4.7
Annual Average	2000	142,583	136,891	5,692	4.0
December	2000	143,110	137,846	5,264	3.7
November	2000	142,797	137,461	5,336	3.7
October	2000	142,685	137,532	5,153	3.6
September	2000	142,149	136,790	5,359	3.8
August	2000	143,171	137,308	5,863	4.1
July	2000	143,797	137,769	6,028	4.2
June	2000	143,874	137,915	5,959	4.1
May	2000	142,144	136,685	5,460	3.8
April	2000	142,138	136,927	5,212	3.7
March	2000	142,123	136,054	6,069	4.3
February	2000	141,775	135,490	6,284	4.4
January	2000	141,228	134,912	6,316	4.5
Annual Average	1999	139,368	133,488	5,880	4.2
December	1999	139,941	134,696	5,245	3.7
November	1999	139,895	134,515	5,380	3.8
October	1999	139,761	134,390	5,372	3.8
September	1999	139,217	133,555	5,661	4.1

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August	1999	140,090	134,264	5,826	4.2
July	1999	141,119	134,800	6,319	4.5
June	1999	140,666	134,395	6,271	4.5
May	1999	138,919	133,411	5,507	4.0
April	1999	138,240	132,552	5,688	4.1
March	1999	138,418	132,299	6,119	4.4
February	1999	138,202	131,639	6,563	4.7
January	1999	137,943	131,339	6,604	4.8
Annual Average	1998	137,673	131,463	6,210	4.5
December	1998	138,297	132,732	5,565	4.0
November	1998	138,288	132,577	5,711	4.1
October	1998	138,255	132,424	5,831	4.2
September	1998	137,903	131,864	6,039	4.4
August	1998	138,379	132,206	6,173	4.5
July	1998	139,336	132,768	6,567	4.7
June	1998	138,798	132,265	6,534	4.7
May	1998	137,240	131,476	5,764	4.2
April	1998	136,379	130,735	5,643	4.1
March	1998	136,967	130,150	6,816	5.0
February	1998	136,286	129,482	6,804	5.0
January	1998	135,951	128,882	7,069	5.2
Annual Average	1997	136,297	129,558	6,739	4.9
December	1997	136,742	130,785	5,957	4.4
November	1997	136,912	130,999	5,914	4.3
October	1997	136,665	130,671	5,995	4.4
September	1997	136,375	129,972	6,403	4.7
August	1997	137,460	130,865	6,594	4.8
July	1997	138,331	131,350	6,981	5.0
June	1997	137,557	130,463	7,094	5.2
May	1997	135,963	129,565	6,398	4.7
April	1997	135,180	128,629	6,551	4.8
March	1997	135,524	128,125	7,399	5.5
February	1997	134,535	126,887	7,647	5.7
January	1997	134,317	126,384	7,933	5.9
Annual Average	1996	133,943	126,708	7,236	5.4
December	1996	134,583	127,903	6,680	5.0
November	1996	134,973	128,157	6,816	5.0
October	1996	135,015	128,439	6,577	4.9
September	1996	134,230	127,529	6,700	5.0
August	1996	135,011	128,143	6,868	5.1
July	1996	136,272	128,579	7,693	5.6
June	1996	135,083	127,706	7,377	5.5
May	1996	133,558	126,391	7,166	5.4
April	1996	132,512	125,388	7,124	5.4
March	1996	132,692	124,992	7,700	5.8
February	1996	131,995	124,137	7,858	6.0
January	1996	131,396	123,126	8,270	6.3
Annual Average	1995	132,304	124,900	7,404	5.6
December	1995	132,008	125,136	6,872	5.2
November	1995	132,622	125,599	7,024	5.3
October	1995	132,863	125,979	6,884	5.2
September	1995	132,341	125,173	7,167	5.4
August	1995	133,383	125,926	7,457	5.6
July	1995	134,440	126,548	7,892	5.9

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June	1995	133,447	125,720	7,727	5.8
May	1995	131,739	124,554	7,185	5.5
April	1995	131,657	124,278	7,378	5.6
March	1995	131,423	123,943	7,480	5.7
February	1995	131,028	123,343	7,685	5.9
January	1995	130,698	122,597	8,101	6.2
Annual Average	1994	131,056	123,060	7,996	6.1
December	1994	131,418	124,729	6,690	5.1
November	1994	131,869	124,896	6,973	5.3
October	1994	131,879	124,724	7,155	5.4
September	1994	131,155	123,775	7,379	5.6
August	1994	132,361	124,493	7,868	5.9
July	1994	132,783	124,503	8,281	6.2
June	1994	132,115	123,864	8,251	6.2
May	1994	130,602	122,946	7,656	5.9
April	1994	129,682	121,604	8,078	6.2
March	1994	129,718	120,844	8,874	6.8
February	1994	129,764	120,503	9,262	7.1
January	1994	129,393	119,901	9,492	7.3
Annual Average	1993	129,200	120,259	8,940	6.9
December	1993	129,537	121,578	7,959	6.1
November	1993	129,662	121,568	8,094	6.2
October	1993	129,685	121,389	8,296	6.4
September	1993	128,975	120,673	8,302	6.4
August	1993	130,673	122,018	8,655	6.6
July	1993	131,574	122,352	9,223	7.0
June	1993	131,060	121,587	9,473	7.2
May	1993	128,949	120,142	8,807	6.8
April	1993	127,616	118,781	8,835	6.9
March	1993	127,829	118,350	9,478	7.4
February	1993	127,651	117,646	10,004	7.8
January	1993	127,186	117,027	10,158	8.0
Annual Average	1992	128,105	118,492	9,613	7.5
December	1992	128,035	118,990	9,045	7.1
November	1992	128,245	119,159	9,086	7.1
October	1992	127,998	119,185	8,813	6.9
September	1992	128,196	118,880	9,316	7.3
August	1992	129,676	120,070	9,605	7.4
July	1992	130,844	120,744	10,099	7.7
June	1992	130,197	119,831	10,366	8.0
May	1992	127,777	118,388	9,389	7.3
April	1992	126,911	117,776	9,135	7.2
March	1992	126,843	116,929	9,913	7.8
February	1992	126,425	116,024	10,401	8.2
January	1992	126,114	115,928	10,186	8.1
Annual Average	1991	126,346	117,718	8,628	6.8
December	1991	126,150	117,395	8,755	6.9
November	1991	126,466	117,972	8,494	6.7
October	1991	126,636	118,404	8,232	6.5
September	1991	126,426	118,156	8,270	6.5
August	1991	127,197	118,758	8,439	6.6
July	1991	128,458	119,666	8,792	6.8
June	1991	128,143	119,151	8,992	7.0
May	1991	125,863	117,428	8,435	6.7

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April	1991	125,698	117,472	8,226	6.5
March	1991	125,435	116,440	8,995	7.2
February	1991	125,061	115,941	9,121	7.3
January	1991	124,623	115,837	8,787	7.1
Annual Average	1990	125,840	118,793	7,047	5.6
December	1990	125,635	118,110	7,525	6.0
November	1990	125,858	118,463	7,396	5.9
October	1990	126,067	119,175	6,892	5.5
September	1990	125,785	118,782	7,003	5.6
August	1990	127,105	120,096	7,008	5.5
July	1990	128,019	120,882	7,137	5.6
June	1990	127,407	120,523	6,884	5.4
May	1990	125,682	119,148	6,533	5.2
April	1990	124,837	118,218	6,620	5.3
March	1990	124,838	117,986	6,852	5.5
February	1990	124,487	117,192	7,296	5.9
January	1990	124,358	116,944	7,413	6.0
Annual Average	1989	123,869	117,342	6,528	5.3
December	1989	123,998	117,698	6,300	5.1
November	1989	124,664	118,168	6,495	5.2
October	1989	124,416	118,194	6,222	5.0
September	1989	123,828	117,498	6,330	5.1
August	1989	125,444	119,092	6,352	5.1
July	1989	126,238	119,502	6,736	5.3
June	1989	125,569	118,719	6,850	5.5
May	1989	123,196	117,039	6,156	5.0
April	1989	122,576	116,347	6,229	5.1
March	1989	122,223	115,844	6,378	5.2
February	1989	121,906	115,023	6,883	5.6
January	1989	122,095	114,786	7,309	6.0
Annual Average	1988	121,669	114,968	6,701	5.5
December	1988	122,120	115,978	6,142	5.0
November	1988	122,639	116,314	6,325	5.2
October	1988	122,432	116,250	6,182	5.0
September	1988	121,842	115,474	6,368	5.2
August	1988	123,396	116,737	6,659	5.4
July	1988	123,888	117,066	6,823	5.5
June	1988	123,028	116,209	6,819	5.5
May	1988	120,775	114,222	6,553	5.4
April	1988	120,264	113,905	6,359	5.3
March	1988	119,957	112,867	7,090	5.9
February	1988	119,942	112,460	7,482	6.2
January	1988	119,742	112,139	7,603	6.3
Annual Average	1987	119,865	112,440	7,425	6.2
December	1987	120,206	113,679	6,526	5.4
November	1987	120,611	113,809	6,802	5.6
October	1987	120,744	113,898	6,845	5.7
September	1987	119,884	113,027	6,857	5.7
August	1987	121,614	114,527	7,088	5.8
July	1987	122,105	114,652	7,453	6.1
June	1987	121,153	113,498	7,655	6.3
May	1987	119,695	112,377	7,318	6.1
April	1987	118,347	111,041	7,306	6.2
March	1987	118,353	110,229	8,124	6.9

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February	1987	117,967	109,464	8,503	7.2
January	1987	117,703	109,084	8,620	7.3
Annual Average	1986	117,834	109,597	8,237	7.0
December	1986	118,049	110,588	7,461	6.3
November	1986	118,623	110,751	7,872	6.6
October	1986	118,699	110,857	7,842	6.6
September	1986	118,244	110,229	8,015	6.8
August	1986	119,471	111,515	7,955	6.7
July	1986	120,303	111,832	8,471	7.0
June	1986	119,644	110,869	8,775	7.3
May	1986	117,199	109,041	8,158	7.0
April	1986	116,317	108,201	8,115	7.0
March	1986	116,309	107,643	8,667	7.5
February	1986	115,725	106,685	9,041	7.8
January	1986	115,431	106,959	8,472	7.3
Annual Average	1985	115,461	107,150	8,312	7.2
December	1985	115,780	108,063	7,717	6.7
November	1985	116,097	108,282	7,815	6.7
October	1985	116,346	108,428	7,917	6.8
September	1985	115,850	107,867	7,984	6.9
August	1985	116,679	108,628	8,051	6.9
July	1985	117,536	108,854	8,682	7.4
June	1985	116,572	107,819	8,753	7.5
May	1985	114,890	106,880	8,011	7.0
April	1985	114,325	106,175	8,150	7.1
March	1985	114,394	105,768	8,625	7.5
February	1985	113,592	104,690	8,902	7.8
January	1985	113,475	104,344	9,131	8.0
Annual Average	1984	113,544	105,005	8,539	7.5
December	1984	114,028	106,049	7,978	7.0
November	1984	114,115	106,246	7,869	6.9
October	1984	114,250	106,262	7,989	7.0
September	1984	113,843	105,792	8,051	7.1
August	1984	115,076	106,694	8,382	7.3
July	1984	116,198	107,484	8,714	7.5
June	1984	115,393	106,812	8,582	7.4
May	1984	113,251	105,096	8,154	7.2
April	1984	112,152	103,628	8,525	7.6
March	1984	111,828	102,770	9,057	8.1
February	1984	111,368	101,961	9,407	8.4
January	1984	111,025	101,270	9,755	8.8
Annual Average	1983	111,550	100,834	10,717	9.6
December	1983	111,795	102,803	8,992	8.0
November	1983	112,147	103,018	9,129	8.1
October	1983	112,042	102,659	9,383	8.4
September	1983	112,197	102,366	9,830	8.8
August	1983	113,578	103,167	10,411	9.2
July	1983	113,980	103,273	10,707	9.4
June	1983	113,383	101,813	11,570	10.2
May	1983	110,308	99,543	10,765	9.8
April	1983	109,875	98,840	11,035	10.0
March	1983	109,873	97,994	11,879	10.8
February	1983	109,647	97,265	12,382	11.3
January	1983	109,779	97,262	12,517	11.4

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Annual Average	1982	110,204	99,526	10,678	9.7
December	1982	110,477	98,849	11,628	10.5
November	1982	110,855	99,379	11,476	10.4
October	1982	110,767	99,825	10,942	9.9
September	1982	110,546	99,851	10,695	9.7
August	1982	111,887	101,177	10,710	9.6
July	1982	112,526	101,490	11,036	9.8
June	1982	111,569	100,683	10,886	9.8
May	1982	109,914	99,957	9,957	9.1
April	1982	108,814	98,858	9,957	9.2
March	1982	108,761	98,471	10,290	9.5
February	1982	108,324	97,946	10,378	9.6
January	1982	108,014	97,831	10,183	9.4
Annual Average	1981	108,670	100,397	8,273	7.6
December	1981	108,574	99,562	9,013	8.3
November	1981	109,179	100,502	8,676	7.9
October	1981	109,244	101,028	8,216	7.5
September	1981	108,273	100,389	7,884	7.3
August	1981	110,099	102,152	7,947	7.2
July	1981	110,742	102,612	8,130	7.3
June	1981	109,904	101,419	8,485	7.7
May	1981	108,586	100,855	7,731	7.1
April	1981	107,906	100,345	7,561	7.0
March	1981	107,634	99,364	8,271	7.7
February	1981	107,015	98,401	8,614	8.0
January	1981	106,885	98,139	8,746	8.2
Annual Average	1980	106,940	99,303	7,637	7.1
December	1980	107,009	99,579	7,430	6.9
November	1980	107,532	99,850	7,682	7.1
October	1980	107,673	99,999	7,674	7.1
September	1980	106,989	99,334	7,655	7.2
August	1980	108,404	100,202	8,202	7.6
July	1980	109,268	100,665	8,603	7.9
June	1980	108,311	99,830	8,481	7.8
May	1980	106,233	98,732	7,501	7.1
April	1980	105,592	98,569	7,023	6.7
March	1980	105,510	98,527	6,983	6.6
February	1980	105,412	98,235	7,177	6.8
January	1980	105,344	98,111	7,234	6.9
Annual Average	1979	104,962	98,824	6,137	5.8
December	1979	106,040	100,013	6,027	5.7
November	1979	105,871	99,907	5,964	5.6
October	1979	106,084	100,120	5,964	5.6
September	1979	105,510	99,533	5,978	5.7
August	1979	106,489	100,174	6,315	5.9
July	1979	107,096	100,814	6,282	5.9
June	1979	106,210	99,800	6,409	6.0
May	1979	103,476	98,057	5,419	5.2
April	1979	103,198	97,478	5,720	5.5
March	1979	103,606	97,282	6,325	6.1
February	1979	103,185	96,536	6,649	6.4
January	1979	102,802	96,201	6,602	6.4
Annual Average	1978	102,251	96,048	6,202	6.1
December	1978	103,565	97,669	5,896	5.7

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November	1978	103,586	97,788	5,797	5.6
October	1978	103,474	97,851	5,624	5.4
September	1978	102,748	96,790	5,958	5.8
August	1978	103,946	97,855	6,090	5.9
July	1978	104,512	97,917	6,597	6.3
June	1978	104,010	97,530	6,481	6.2
May	1978	101,092	95,486	5,605	5.5
April	1978	100,610	94,783	5,826	5.8
March	1978	100,166	93,545	6,621	6.6
February	1978	99,641	92,755	6,886	6.9
January	1978	99,664	92,616	7,048	7.1

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics