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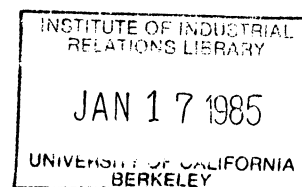
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One of the lasting products of the WPA was the development of the procedures and concepts upon which our current labor force statistics rest. The basic surveys began shortly prior to American entry into World War II and essentially complete data series exist beginning in 1947 and 1948. These data series provide the basis for the bulk of analyses of American productivity growth. This paper constructs continuous data series extending back at least to 1900 and in many cases to 1889. From the perspective of the entire twentieth century, recent productivity trends seem much less worrisome. In particular post-1965 productivity growth appears very similar to that in 1900-1929 when labor market conditions were similar in terms of the growth of new, relatively unskilled entrants.

The new estimates of labor force, employment, and productivity are presented first in Section I. Most of the details are presented in footnotes to the data tables, but an overview of the strengths and weaknesses of the series is necessary before advancing hypotheses on recent productivity trends. Trends in labor, employment, and productivity growth are examined in Section II. The results are summarized and future research proposed in the concluding Section III.

I. The Historical Estimates

The guiding principle used in constructing the estimates reported here was to create long series directly linked to current, publicly available, and maintained series. The series can be divided into two types: The first, described in Part A of this section, deals with the labor force and employment, both civilian and total, by age and sex; supplementary estimates of private employment by age and sex are also reported. The second type, reported in Part B, comprises data on total and average weekly hours and on output as measured by both real gross national product and real gross private product.

A. Labor Force and Employment

Estimates have been developed for labor force and employment, both total and civilian, by sex and age group. Given the assumptions required to fill in numerous missing data points (primarily between the pre-World-War-II census years) the age breakdown is limited to under 25 ("young") and over 24 ("old"). These data are believed in general to accurately reflect both broad trends and major cyclical movements, but an exception must be made for years affected by World War I and World War II. In particular the age-sex breakdowns may be misleading for 1917-1918 and 1941-1946 as detailed below.

To obtain reasonably consistent labor force estimates for 1890-1980, it was necessary to work back and forth between available data on the total and civilian labor force and the military. We started with the basic Bureau of Labor Statistics data set on both labor force concepts for 1947-1979 as contained in Bureau of Labor Statistics (1980, pp. 5-9, 10-12).

Much more detailed breakdowns by age are available in that data set, but age cells were combined to obtain the data for 16-24 and 25 and over reported in Tables 1 and 2. The values for 1980 were completed from current sources as noted. The differences between the two series imply the age-sex breakdown of the armed forces for 1947-1980 (Table 5) which can be added to civilian employment (Table 4) to obtain total employment (Table 3). For 1929-1946 we use the B.L.S. data on total and civilian employment with the addition of the Emergency Workers reported in Darby (1976); Lebergott's data are used for the same series for 1890-1928. The difference between these two series gives us our data for total armed forces. Civilian labor force before 1947 is obtained similarly from the B.L.S. and Lebergott sources with total labor force from the B.L.S. data for 1929-1946 and from the sum of civilian labor force and armed forces for 1890-1928. It should be noted that age eligibility for the labor force data increased from 14 to 16 in 1947.

Thus we have complete age-sex breakdowns after 1946 and complete data on the aggregate concepts before 1947. Total labor force age-sex shares were computed from annual 1940-1946 and (Durand's) census data for 1890, 1900, 1920, and 1930. Linear interpolations were used to fill in the shares for the missing years. These shares were then used to complete the age-sex breakdown in Table 1.

Before 1947 we assumed that the armed forces were all male and that the share of young males was equal to the 1947-1979 average. This will cause significant problems in the sex distribution only during 1942-1946.¹ We suspect but cannot show that there may be some significant errors in the male age distribution during 1898, 1917-1919, and 1940-1946, but otherwise

the armed forces were so small relative to the labor force that we believe this approximation will serve to permit us to form reasonable age-sex breakdowns of the civilian labor force by subtraction from the total labor force.

Total employment is broken down by age and sex by using the previously computed total labor force shares. This implicitly assumes the same distribution of unemployment by age and sex as of employment. While not an entirely satisfactory assumption, it is more acceptable in this earlier period with relatively ineffective or nonexistent minimum wage laws than it would be in the post-war period. Civilian employment by age and sex for 1890-1946 is again derived by subtraction of the corresponding armed forces data.

In conclusion, the data in Tables 1 through 5 appear to be reasonably consistent for 1890-1980, but the age-sex breakdowns are only best estimates. These estimates would seem quite adequate to support statements concerning longer term trends, but must be used with caution for short period analysis, before 1947, and particularly during war years.

Estimates of private employment were also obtained by subtracting from civilian employment total civilian government employment. No age-sex breakdown of the latter was available so we simply assumed that the private and government age-sex proportions were identical. This introduces another source of error into the data in Table 7 which applies to the whole period 1900-1980.

B. Hours, Output, and Productivity

Six distinct concepts of hours are reported in Table 8. One distinction is between hours worked and hours paid for. Since 1965 average

hours worked by employed civilians is taken from the Current Population Survey data. Before that Kendrick's data was used. These average hours are applied to the data for civilian and total employment to obtain estimates of total hours worked.² Kendrick data for total private hours worked is used before 1966 while the total hours paid data after 1965 are adjusted for movements in average hours worked relative to those paid for. All early data are adjusted for a sharp break in reporting practices which occurred in 1934 as explained in note a to Table 8.³

Total hours paid of all persons in the private business sector is the standard hours concept in productivity studies. The current series is extended back to 1909 by BLS establishment data and before that by Kendrick data. The average hours paid for production and nonsupervisory employees is extended back to 1909 by use of the ratio of hours paid to hours worked. Before then only average hours worked was available. While these methods should provide reasonably consistent series for analysis of productivity trends, they are obviously far from perfect.

It was straightforward to obtain continuous gross national product and gross private product series from 1889 to 1980. These were used to obtain four measures of productivity corresponding to the four measures of total hours. The first two, which divide GNP by total hours worked in the total and civilian economy, respectively, are subject to the usual criticisms of the difficulties in measuring government output. As a result the indexes of GPP to measures of total private hours are more attractive for many problems. As mentioned before the ratio of GPP to total hours paid has been a standard yardstick in the productivity literature, but the index

based on total hours worked in the private economy also has its attractions. The former is biased by movements in hours paid versus hours worked while the latter is biased by movements in average private versus civilian hours worked. There seems to be no a priori basis for knowing which source of measurement error would be more important.

II. Trends in Labor, Employment, and Productivity Growth

The discussion in this section is limited to 1900-1978.⁴ We first note that labor force and employment growth is divided into three distinct eras by 1929 when the national origin quotas first became effective and by 1965 when these quotas were replaced by much looser limits and the postwar baby boom began to enter the labor market.⁵ Growth rates for five measures of the labor force and employment are reported in Table 10 for the whole period, the three main subperiods, and relevant sub-sub-periods. By any measure the 1929-1965 subperiod is one of considerably slower growth than either 1900-1929 or 1965-1978, and this is especially true for private employment which is the measure of greatest interest in analyzing productivity trends. Although many analysts have analyzed postwar productivity growth in terms of 1948-1965, 1965-1973, and 1973-1978, such finer divisions of the major subperiods would not be suggested by anything in the labor growth data. We note that most of the above average growth in the 1900-1929 period seems to be related to the period of massive immigration prior to America's entry in World War I.

The growth in average hours reported in Table 11 appears extremely stable by comparison, especially so for the civilian average hours worked measure. There has, however, been a small increase in the rate of decline in the two average hours paid measures in the 1965-1978 period.⁶ The pattern of growth of average hours within the 1900-1929 cannot be known with any great degree of confidence. The relatively stable rates of decline reported for AHW and AHPN appear most nearly correct while the variation in the implied growth of AHP appears to be an artifact of divergences between our early estimates of private employment and those used by our source for

total private hours.⁷ Certainly the dominant factor determining the variation in the growth of total hours across various subperiods is the variation in the previously reported measures of employment.

Four measures of total hours are analyzed in Table 12. Using the standard private hours paid concept for example, we note that average growth was nearly 1 percentage point lower during 1929-1965 than during 1900-1929 and 1965-1978. Since GPP growth falls during the middle period by only about $\frac{1}{2}$ percentage point, the corresponding measure of productivity growth is about $\frac{1}{2}$ percentage point higher in the middle period than in 1900-1929 and 1965-1978 (see Table 13). Similar statements could be made about the alternative measures of total hours and their corresponding productivity measures.

Note, however, the sharp contrast between the stability of the labor force and hours growth within the 1929-1965 and 1965-1978 periods and the variation in gross product and hence productivity measures.⁸ Across the major subperiods, the variation in growth of hours is much greater than output, but just the opposite is true within these subperiods. This fact leads us to some conclusions about recent fluctuations in productivity growth and the type of approach needed to explain them.

III. Conclusions and Implications for Future Research

A historical perspective suggests that separate explanations are required to understand on the one hand secular effects on productivity growth associated with secular movements in hours growth and on the other hand movements in output and productivity growth within periods of stable growth in total hours. We see that in secular terms post-1965 productivity growth has been very similar to that in the 1900-1929 period when growth in total hours was also similar. One hypothesis which would explain the higher secular productivity growth in 1929-1965 is that the slowdown in growth in total hours is overstated in efficiency units because of the importance as a source of growth in total hours of immigrants in 1900-1929 and immigrants and young people in the post-1965 period.

Separate forces appear to be determining the movements within the periods of stable total-hours growth. For example, slower productivity growth in 1929-1948 than in 1948-1965 may be due to very slow capital accumulation during 1929-1948 followed by rapid postwar recovery in the capital-labor ratio. In future research, the author will investigate the extent to which more rapid growth in 1965-1973 versus post 1973 can be attributed on the one hand to the OPEC shock and on the other to over-reporting of 1973 real income due to general price controls.⁹

In conclusion, a historical perspective suggests that recent movements in productivity growth are neither unprecedented nor cause for precipitant policy response. Indeed apparently reasonable hypotheses would not associate these recent variations with any substantial secular slowdown in total or labor productivity growth.

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¹That is, male civilian employment will be overstated and female civilian employment understated by the number of women in the armed forces. At peak strength (May 31, 1945) this amounted to 266,256 women of whom 14,458 (approximately half nurses) were still in uniform on June 30, 1946. [U.S. Department of Defense (1980, p. 112)]. The Women's Reserve of the U.S. Naval Reserve was established on June 30, 1942. Before that and with isolated exceptions the only women who were full members of the armed forces were some 13,000 total (peak strength 11,275) Yeomen (F) enlisted by the Navy during World War I. The Army Nurse Corps (established 1901) and Navy Nurse Corps (1908) were not granted full military status until 1944. Members of the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps (established May 16, 1942) were not in the Army. The Women's Army Corps (July 1, 1943) brought women into the Army, but not all WAACs elected to become WACs. [Godson (1981), Treadwell (1953), U.S. Naval Military Personnel Command (1979).] It appears to be a major research project to develop a consistent series on female members of the armed forces and that effort is left to the future.

²Note that this assumes the military average hours are the same as civilians.

³It is clear that a large number of firms ceased to report lunch and other break time as hours worked or paid from 1934 on. For details, see Darby (1976, pp. 9-11).

⁴In large part these limits were suggested by a larger analysis of productivity trends of which the current paper is a start. The year 1900 is the start of the century, the beginning of the private employment data, and a year of roughly normal (5%) unemployment. The year 1978 is another year of normal (6%) unemployment if allowance is made for intervening changes in age-sex composition. It is of course convenient and therefore popular to measure trends between such "normal" years so that no adjustments need be made to allow for cyclical factors.

⁵Sanford M. Jacoby has observed that the decrease in immigration around 1929 started with the 1925 imposition of an aggregate quota which applied through 1929 and that the Great Depression and World War II were other important factors limiting movement into the United States.

⁶The reason is not known for the difference between the household survey data on average hours worked per employed person and the establishment data on average hours paid for per production on other nonsupervisory employees. It might reflect increased moonlighting (higher hours per person but less hours per employee). The growth in average private hours paid per person employed in the private sector is computed as the growth rate of the ratio of total private hours paid for (all employees, private business sector, establishment data) to private employment. The deceleration

in this AHP measure is less than in the AHPN measure either due to increased moonlighting or less negative growth in average supervisory hours. The remaining 0.2% discrepancy between the growth rates of the AHW and AHP measures could be attributed to shifts in the government/private employment mix and to less negative growth in average hours worked per government employee, but data is lacking to demonstrate this. Another possibility is a yet unidentified change in reporting procedures for the establishment data -- such a change occurred in 1934 with the introduction of the N.I.R.A. codes and minimum wages, but the hours data were adjusted for that.

⁷Kendrick (1961, pp. 306-307) used a private persons-engaged definition instead of our private employment. His definition had average annual growth rates of 1.84%, 2.36%, and 1.21%, for 1900-1929, 1900-1916, and 1916-1929, respectively. Thus, while growth over the longer period 1900-1929 is nearly identical to that in our estimates (1.77%); he records more variable growth within the period. This certainly suggests that the pre-1929 data should be used cautiously in making comparisons over shorter periods.

⁸The 1900-1929 period is not considered here for reasons discussed in note 7 above.

⁹Darby (1982) presents substantial evidence that the effects of the oil shocks of 1973-1974 and 1979-1980 are statistically insignificant in equations which allow for reporting biases due to price controls.

TABLE 1
Total Labor Force by Sex and Age
1890-1980

| Year | Total ^a TLF | Males | | | Females | | |
|------|---------------------------|---|---|--------------------------|---|---|--------------------------|
| | | Total ^a TLF _{M.} | Young ^a TLF _{MY} | Old TLF _{MO} | Total ^a TLF _{F.} | Young ^a TLF _{FY} | Old TLF _{FO} |
| 1889 | | | | | | | |
| 1890 | 23487.0 | 19502.4 | 5199.1 | 14303.2 | 3984.6 | 2067.6 | 1917.0 |
| 1891 | 24072.9 | 19961.9 | 5330.3 | 14631.5 | 4111.0 | 2117.1 | 1993.9 |
| 1892 | 24658.6 | 20420.0 | 5461.6 | 14958.4 | 4238.6 | 2166.4 | 2072.2 |
| 1893 | 25244.9 | 20877.1 | 5593.1 | 15284.1 | 4367.7 | 2215.7 | 2152.0 |
| 1894 | 25831.0 | 21332.9 | 5724.6 | 15608.4 | 4498.1 | 2264.9 | 2233.2 |
| 1895 | 26416.7 | 21787.0 | 5856.0 | 15931.0 | 4629.7 | 2313.9 | 2315.7 |
| 1896 | 27001.6 | 22239.1 | 5987.4 | 16251.7 | 4762.5 | 2362.8 | 2399.6 |
| 1897 | 27587.4 | 22690.7 | 6119.1 | 16571.6 | 4896.7 | 2411.7 | 2485.1 |
| 1898 | 28173.4 | 23141.1 | 6250.8 | 16890.3 | 5032.3 | 2460.4 | 2571.9 |
| 1899 | 28758.9 | 23589.7 | 6382.6 | 17207.2 | 5169.1 | 2509.0 | 2660.1 |
| 1900 | 29344.7 | 24037.4 | 6514.4 | 17522.9 | 5307.3 | 2557.6 | 2749.7 |
| 1901 | 30135.4 | 24649.8 | 6618.3 | 18031.4 | 5485.6 | 2623.3 | 2862.3 |
| 1902 | 30901.4 | 25240.1 | 6713.1 | 18527.1 | 5661.2 | 2686.7 | 2974.6 |
| 1903 | 31716.9 | 25869.1 | 6814.8 | 19054.3 | 5847.8 | 2754.2 | 3093.6 |
| 1904 | 32483.0 | 26455.9 | 6902.2 | 19553.7 | 6027.1 | 2817.3 | 3209.8 |
| 1905 | 33368.4 | 27138.0 | 7011.0 | 20127.0 | 6230.5 | 2890.5 | 3340.0 |
| 1906 | 34308.3 | 27862.2 | 7126.9 | 20735.3 | 6446.1 | 2968.3 | 3477.9 |
| 1907 | 35311.2 | 28635.3 | 7251.3 | 21384.0 | 6675.9 | 3051.3 | 3624.7 |
| 1908 | 36077.6 | 29214.5 | 7322.9 | 21891.6 | 6863.1 | 3113.6 | 3749.4 |
| 1909 | 36917.6 | 29851.5 | 7405.6 | 22445.9 | 7066.1 | 3182.2 | 3883.9 |
| 1910 | 37942.2 | 30635.5 | 7520.9 | 23114.6 | 7306.6 | 3266.5 | 4040.2 |
| 1911 | 38738.1 | 31232.8 | 7586.6 | 23646.2 | 7505.3 | 3330.9 | 4174.4 |
| 1912 | 39209.6 | 31567.0 | 7585.7 | 23981.3 | 7642.6 | 3367.2 | 4275.3 |
| 1913 | 39982.8 | 32142.7 | 7640.2 | 24502.5 | 7840.1 | 3429.4 | 4410.7 |
| 1914 | 40736.8 | 32701.1 | 7687.5 | 25013.7 | 8035.6 | 3489.7 | 4545.9 |
| 1915 | 40953.0 | 32826.8 | 7630.9 | 25195.9 | 8126.3 | 3503.9 | 4622.4 |
| 1916 | 41430.6 | 33161.0 | 7621.4 | 25539.6 | 8269.5 | 3540.3 | 4729.2 |
| 1917 | 41950.0 | 33527.6 | 7617.2 | 25910.4 | 8422.4 | 3580.2 | 4842.1 |
| 1918 | 43226.6 | 34497.3 | 7746.2 | 26751.1 | 8729.3 | 3684.6 | 5044.7 |
| 1919 | 42462.3 | 33837.6 | 7508.3 | 26329.3 | 8624.7 | 3614.9 | 5009.8 |
| 1920 | 42956.7 | 34181.3 | 7493.6 | 26687.7 | 8775.4 | 3652.4 | 5123.0 |
| 1921 | 43596.5 | 34624.9 | 7538.3 | 27086.6 | 8971.6 | 3695.5 | 5276.1 |
| 1922 | 44039.9 | 34910.9 | 7547.4 | 27363.5 | 9129.0 | 3721.6 | 5407.4 |
| 1923 | 44994.0 | 35599.6 | 7641.8 | 27957.8 | 9394.4 | 3790.5 | 5603.9 |
| 1924 | 45821.0 | 36185.1 | 7712.0 | 28473.1 | 9635.9 | 3848.2 | 5787.7 |
| 1925 | 46535.2 | 36679.2 | 7760.8 | 28918.4 | 9855.9 | 3896.0 | 5959.9 |
| 1926 | 47244.7 | 37167.5 | 7806.6 | 29360.9 | 10077.2 | 3943.1 | 6134.1 |
| 1927 | 48016.0 | 37702.2 | 7860.4 | 29841.8 | 10313.8 | 3995.0 | 6318.8 |
| 1928 | 48770.8 | 38221.6 | 7909.1 | 30312.5 | 10549.2 | 4045.1 | 6504.1 |
| 1929 | 49440.0 | 38671.8 | 7941.8 | 30730.0 | 10768.2 | 4087.7 | 6680.5 |
| 1930 | 50080.0 | 39097.2 | 7967.7 | 31129.4 | 10982.8 | 4127.6 | 6855.3 |
| 1931 | 50680.0 | 39397.8 | 8049.1 | 31348.6 | 11282.2 | 4174.9 | 7107.3 |
| 1932 | 51250.0 | 39671.3 | 8125.5 | 31545.8 | 11578.7 | 4219.7 | 7359.1 |
| 1933 | 51840.0 | 39956.4 | 8204.6 | 31751.7 | 11883.6 | 4266.0 | 7617.6 |
| 1934 | 52490.0 | 40283.7 | 8293.0 | 31990.7 | 12206.3 | 4317.3 | 7889.0 |
| 1935 | 53140.0 | 40606.6 | 8380.9 | 32225.7 | 12533.4 | 4368.5 | 8164.9 |
| 1936 | 53740.0 | 40887.2 | 8460.7 | 32426.5 | 12852.8 | 4415.6 | 8437.2 |
| 1937 | 54320.0 | 41148.7 | 8536.9 | 32611.8 | 13171.3 | 4460.9 | 8710.4 |
| 1938 | 54950.0 | 41444.1 | 8620.7 | 32823.4 | 13505.9 | 4510.3 | 8995.6 |
| 1939 | 55600.0 | 41750.3 | 8707.2 | 33043.0 | 13849.7 | 4561.4 | 9288.4 |
| 1940 | 56180.0 | 41999.8 | 8782.5 | 33217.3 | 14180.2 | 4606.6 | 9573.6 |
| 1941 | 57530.0 | 42938.2 | 9349.1 | 33589.1 | 14591.8 | 4824.1 | 9767.7 |
| 1942 | 60380.0 | 44236.6 | 9768.1 | 34468.5 | 16143.4 | 5284.4 | 10859.0 |
| 1943 | 64560.0 | 45793.9 | 10653.7 | 35140.3 | 18766.1 | 6089.2 | 12676.8 |
| 1944 | 66040.0 | 46731.9 | 10963.5 | 35768.3 | 19308.1 | 6213.7 | 13094.5 |
| 1945 | 65300.0 | 46265.3 | 10316.2 | 35949.0 | 19034.7 | 5947.1 | 13087.6 |
| 1946 | 60970.0 | 44007.6 | 8561.8 | 35445.8 | 16962.4 | 5006.1 | 11956.3 |
| 1947 | 60941.0 | 44258.0 | 8147.0 | 36109.0 | 16683.0 | 4560.0 | 12123.0 |
| 1948 | 62080.0 | 44729.0 | 8119.0 | 36611.0 | 17351.0 | 4556.0 | 12796.0 |
| 1949 | 62903.0 | 45097.0 | 8097.0 | 36998.0 | 17806.0 | 4475.0 | 13333.0 |
| 1950 | 63858.0 | 45446.0 | 8045.0 | 37401.0 | 18412.0 | 4395.0 | 14018.0 |
| 1951 | 65117.0 | 46063.0 | 8132.0 | 37930.0 | 19054.0 | 4433.0 | 14621.0 |
| 1952 | 65730.0 | 46416.0 | 8035.0 | 38381.0 | 19314.0 | 4277.0 | 15038.0 |
| 1953 | 66560.0 | 47131.0 | 7861.0 | 39273.0 | 19429.0 | 4160.0 | 15266.0 |
| 1954 | 66993.0 | 47275.0 | 7685.0 | 39593.0 | 19718.0 | 4129.0 | 15593.0 |
| 1955 | 68072.0 | 47488.0 | 7663.0 | 39825.0 | 20584.0 | 4187.0 | 16395.0 |

TABLE 1 (Continued)

| Year | TLF | TLF _{M.} | TLF _{MY} | TLF _{MO} | TLF _{F.} | TLF _{FY} | TLF _{FO} |
|------|----------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| 1956 | 69409.0 | 47914.0 | 7761.0 | 40157.0 | 21495.0 | 4335.0 | 17159.0 |
| 1957 | 69729.0 | 47964.0 | 7766.0 | 40198.0 | 21765.0 | 4319.0 | 17446.0 |
| 1958 | 70275.0 | 48126.0 | 7800.0 | 40325.0 | 22149.0 | 4348.0 | 17802.0 |
| 1959 | 70921.0 | 48405.0 | 8029.0 | 40375.0 | 22516.0 | 4386.0 | 18130.0 |
| 1960 | 72142.0 | 48870.0 | 8273.0 | 40596.0 | 23272.0 | 4652.0 | 18621.0 |
| 1961 | 73031.0 | 49193.0 | 8416.0 | 40779.0 | 23838.0 | 4856.0 | 18981.0 |
| 1962 | 73442.0 | 49395.0 | 8524.0 | 40871.0 | 24047.0 | 4966.0 | 19082.0 |
| 1963 | 74571.0 | 49835.0 | 8877.0 | 40961.0 | 24736.0 | 5208.0 | 19527.0 |
| 1964 | 75830.0 | 50387.0 | 9279.0 | 41106.0 | 25443.0 | 5541.0 | 19900.0 |
| 1965 | 77178.0 | 50946.0 | 9757.0 | 41187.0 | 26232.0 | 5894.0 | 20337.0 |
| 1966 | 78893.0 | 51560.0 | 10262.0 | 41299.0 | 27333.0 | 6481.0 | 20852.0 |
| 1967 | 80793.0 | 52398.0 | 10760.0 | 41640.0 | 28395.0 | 6878.0 | 21519.0 |
| 1968 | 82272.0 | 53030.0 | 10983.0 | 42046.0 | 29242.0 | 7199.0 | 22042.0 |
| 1969 | 84240.0 | 53688.0 | 11370.0 | 42316.0 | 30551.0 | 7724.0 | 22827.0 |
| 1970 | 85903.0 | 54343.0 | 11773.0 | 42570.0 | 31560.0 | 8143.0 | 23417.0 |
| 1971 | 86929.0 | 54797.0 | 12097.0 | 42700.0 | 32132.0 | 8391.0 | 23741.0 |
| 1972 | 88991.0 | 55671.0 | 12586.0 | 43085.0 | 33320.0 | 8913.0 | 24407.0 |
| 1973 | 91040.0 | 56479.0 | 13060.0 | 43419.0 | 34561.0 | 9427.0 | 25134.0 |
| 1974 | 93240.0 | 57349.0 | 13294.0 | 44055.0 | 35892.0 | 9872.0 | 26020.0 |
| 1975 | 94793.0 | 57706.0 | 13313.0 | 44393.0 | 37087.0 | 10175.0 | 26912.0 |
| 1976 | 96917.0 | 58397.0 | 13599.0 | 44798.0 | 38520.0 | 10498.0 | 28022.0 |
| 1977 | 99534.0 | 59467.0 | 13938.0 | 45529.0 | 40067.0 | 10905.0 | 29162.0 |
| 1978 | 102537.0 | 60535.0 | 14194.0 | 46341.0 | 42002.0 | 11408.0 | 30594.0 |
| 1979 | 104996.0 | 61466.0 | 14292.0 | 47174.0 | 43531.0 | 11604.0 | 31927.0 |
| 1980 | 106821.0 | 62088.0 | 14213.0 | 47875.0 | 44733.0 | 11528.0 | 33205.0 |

Units: Thousands of persons.

Sources: All Series

1947-1979: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (1980), Tables 1 and 2, pp. 5-9, with age cells combined.

1980: Employment and Earnings, January 1981, 28 (no. 1): 162, 164-165, Tables 1, 3, with age cells combined.

TLF only

1929-1946: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis (1973), Series A108 [BLS], pp. 200-201.

1890-1928: Civilian Labor Force (CLF) from Table 2 below + Armed Forces (AF) from Table 5 below.

Other Series

1890-1946: Product of TLF and corresponding shares from Table 6 below.

Notes: a. Age-eligibility for inclusion in the labor force was 14 or older for 1890-1946 and 16 or older for 1947-1980.

TABLE 2
Civilian Labor Force by Sex and Age
1890-1980

| Year | Total ^a CLF | Males | | | Females | | |
|------|---------------------------|---|---|--------------------------|---|---|--------------------------|
| | | Total ^a CLF _{M.} | Young ^a CLF _{MY} | Old CLF _{MO} | Total ^a CLF _{F.} | Young ^a CLF _{FY} | Old CLF _{FO} |
| 1889 | | | | | | | |
| 1890 | 23450.5 | 19465.9 | 5177.2 | 14288.7 | 3984.6 | 2067.6 | 1917.0 |
| 1891 | 24037.5 | 19926.5 | 5309.1 | 14617.5 | 4111.0 | 2117.1 | 1993.9 |
| 1892 | 24622.4 | 20383.8 | 5439.8 | 14944.0 | 4238.6 | 2166.4 | 2072.2 |
| 1893 | 25208.4 | 20840.7 | 5571.1 | 15269.6 | 4367.7 | 2215.7 | 2152.0 |
| 1894 | 25791.3 | 21293.2 | 5700.6 | 15592.5 | 4498.1 | 2264.9 | 2233.2 |
| 1895 | 26377.2 | 21747.5 | 5832.3 | 15915.2 | 4629.7 | 2313.9 | 2315.7 |
| 1896 | 26962.1 | 22199.7 | 5963.7 | 16236.0 | 4762.5 | 2362.8 | 2399.6 |
| 1897 | 27546.0 | 22649.3 | 6094.1 | 16555.2 | 4896.7 | 2411.7 | 2485.1 |
| 1898 | 27934.3 | 22902.0 | 6106.8 | 16795.1 | 5032.3 | 2460.4 | 2571.9 |
| 1899 | 28660.3 | 23491.2 | 6323.2 | 17168.0 | 5169.1 | 2509.0 | 2660.1 |
| 1900 | 29221.5 | 23914.2 | 6440.3 | 17473.9 | 5307.3 | 2557.6 | 2749.7 |
| 1901 | 30021.7 | 24536.1 | 6549.8 | 17986.2 | 5485.6 | 2623.3 | 2862.3 |
| 1902 | 30795.0 | 25133.8 | 6649.0 | 18484.8 | 5661.2 | 2686.7 | 2974.6 |
| 1903 | 31612.7 | 25764.9 | 6752.1 | 19012.8 | 5847.8 | 2754.2 | 3093.6 |
| 1904 | 32377.8 | 26350.8 | 6838.9 | 19511.9 | 6027.1 | 2817.3 | 3209.8 |
| 1905 | 33261.4 | 27031.0 | 6946.6 | 20084.4 | 6230.5 | 2890.5 | 3340.0 |
| 1906 | 34201.6 | 27755.5 | 7062.7 | 20692.8 | 6446.1 | 2968.3 | 3477.9 |
| 1907 | 35201.5 | 28525.6 | 7185.2 | 21340.4 | 6675.9 | 3051.3 | 3624.7 |
| 1908 | 35956.4 | 29093.3 | 7249.9 | 21843.4 | 6863.1 | 3113.6 | 3749.4 |
| 1909 | 36785.4 | 29719.3 | 7326.0 | 22393.3 | 7066.1 | 3182.2 | 3883.9 |
| 1910 | 37802.8 | 30496.2 | 7437.0 | 23059.2 | 7306.6 | 3266.5 | 4040.2 |
| 1911 | 38594.7 | 31089.4 | 7500.3 | 23589.2 | 7505.3 | 3330.9 | 4174.4 |
| 1912 | 39062.2 | 31419.7 | 7497.0 | 23922.7 | 7642.6 | 3367.2 | 4275.3 |
| 1913 | 39827.4 | 31987.3 | 7546.7 | 24440.6 | 7840.1 | 3429.4 | 4410.7 |
| 1914 | 40575.0 | 32539.4 | 7590.1 | 24949.3 | 8035.6 | 3489.7 | 4545.9 |
| 1915 | 40779.9 | 32653.7 | 7526.7 | 25127.0 | 8126.3 | 3503.9 | 4622.4 |
| 1916 | 41250.6 | 32981.0 | 7513.0 | 25468.0 | 8269.5 | 3540.3 | 4729.2 |
| 1917 | 41215.6 | 32793.2 | 7174.9 | 25618.2 | 8422.4 | 3580.2 | 4842.1 |
| 1918 | 40240.3 | 31511.0 | 5948.0 | 25563.0 | 8729.3 | 3684.6 | 5044.7 |
| 1919 | 40878.8 | 32254.1 | 6554.8 | 25699.3 | 8624.7 | 3614.9 | 5009.8 |
| 1920 | 42571.8 | 33796.4 | 7261.8 | 26534.6 | 8775.4 | 3652.4 | 5123.0 |
| 1921 | 43229.8 | 34258.2 | 7317.5 | 26940.7 | 8971.6 | 3695.5 | 5276.1 |
| 1922 | 43762.2 | 34633.3 | 7380.2 | 27253.0 | 9129.0 | 3721.6 | 5407.4 |
| 1923 | 44738.5 | 35344.1 | 7488.0 | 27856.1 | 9394.4 | 3790.5 | 5603.9 |
| 1924 | 45553.1 | 35917.2 | 7550.7 | 28366.5 | 9635.9 | 3848.2 | 5787.7 |
| 1925 | 46514.9 | 36658.9 | 7748.6 | 28910.4 | 9855.9 | 3896.0 | 5959.9 |
| 1926 | 46988.6 | 36911.4 | 7652.4 | 29259.0 | 10077.2 | 3943.1 | 6134.1 |
| 1927 | 47756.8 | 37443.0 | 7704.3 | 29738.6 | 10313.8 | 3995.0 | 6318.8 |
| 1928 | 48508.6 | 37959.4 | 7751.2 | 30208.1 | 10549.2 | 4045.1 | 6504.1 |
| 1929 | 49180.0 | 38411.8 | 7785.2 | 30626.5 | 10768.2 | 4087.7 | 6680.5 |
| 1930 | 49820.0 | 38837.2 | 7811.2 | 31025.9 | 10982.8 | 4127.6 | 6855.3 |
| 1931 | 50420.0 | 39137.8 | 7892.6 | 31245.2 | 11282.2 | 4174.9 | 7107.3 |
| 1932 | 51000.0 | 39421.3 | 7974.9 | 31446.3 | 11578.7 | 4219.7 | 7359.1 |
| 1933 | 51590.0 | 39706.4 | 8054.1 | 31652.3 | 11883.6 | 4266.0 | 7617.6 |
| 1934 | 52230.0 | 40023.7 | 8136.4 | 31887.2 | 12206.3 | 4317.3 | 7889.0 |
| 1935 | 52870.0 | 40336.6 | 8218.3 | 32118.2 | 12533.4 | 4368.5 | 8164.9 |
| 1936 | 53440.0 | 40587.2 | 8280.0 | 32307.2 | 12852.8 | 4415.6 | 8437.2 |
| 1937 | 54000.0 | 40828.7 | 8344.2 | 32484.5 | 13171.3 | 4460.9 | 8710.4 |
| 1938 | 54610.0 | 41104.1 | 8416.0 | 32688.1 | 13505.9 | 4510.3 | 8995.6 |
| 1939 | 55230.0 | 41380.3 | 8484.5 | 32895.8 | 13849.7 | 4561.4 | 9288.4 |
| 1940 | 55640.0 | 41459.8 | 8457.3 | 33002.5 | 14180.2 | 4606.6 | 9573.6 |
| 1941 | 55910.0 | 41318.2 | 8373.6 | 32944.5 | 14591.8 | 4824.1 | 9767.7 |
| 1942 | 56410.0 | 40266.6 | 7377.6 | 32889.1 | 16143.4 | 5284.4 | 10859.0 |
| 1943 | 55540.0 | 36773.9 | 5222.4 | 31551.6 | 18766.1 | 6089.2 | 12676.8 |
| 1944 | 54630.0 | 35321.9 | 4093.1 | 31228.8 | 19308.1 | 6213.7 | 13094.5 |
| 1945 | 53860.0 | 34825.3 | 3427.7 | 31397.6 | 19034.7 | 5947.1 | 13087.6 |
| 1946 | 57520.0 | 40557.6 | 6484.4 | 34073.2 | 16962.4 | 5006.1 | 11956.3 |
| 1947 | 59350.0 | 42686.0 | 7117.0 | 35569.0 | 16664.0 | 4551.0 | 12114.0 |
| 1948 | 60621.0 | 43286.0 | 7274.0 | 36013.0 | 17335.0 | 4554.0 | 12783.0 |
| 1949 | 61286.0 | 43498.0 | 7158.0 | 36342.0 | 17788.0 | 4470.0 | 13319.0 |
| 1950 | 62208.0 | 43819.0 | 7136.0 | 36685.0 | 18389.0 | 4387.0 | 14003.0 |
| 1951 | 62017.0 | 43001.0 | 6281.0 | 36720.0 | 19016.0 | 4416.0 | 14601.0 |
| 1952 | 62138.0 | 42869.0 | 5649.0 | 37221.0 | 19269.0 | 4254.0 | 15016.0 |
| 1953 | 63015.0 | 43633.0 | 5373.0 | 38261.0 | 19382.0 | 4134.0 | 15245.0 |
| 1954 | 63643.0 | 43965.0 | 5349.0 | 38618.0 | 19678.0 | 4106.0 | 15573.0 |
| 1955 | 65023.0 | 44475.0 | 5590.0 | 38887.0 | 20548.0 | 4169.0 | 16381.0 |

TABLE 2 (Continued)

| Year | CLF | CLF _M | CLF _{MY} | CLF _{MO} | CLF _F | CLF _{FY} | CLF _{FO} |
|------|----------|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| 1956 | 66552.0 | 45091.0 | 5919.0 | 39173.0 | 21461.0 | 4318.0 | 17143.0 |
| 1957 | 66929.0 | 45197.0 | 6043.0 | 39155.0 | 21732.0 | 4302.0 | 17430.0 |
| 1958 | 67639.0 | 45521.0 | 6199.0 | 39321.0 | 22118.0 | 4332.0 | 17786.0 |
| 1959 | 68369.0 | 45886.0 | 6538.0 | 39349.0 | 22483.0 | 4369.0 | 18116.0 |
| 1960 | 69628.0 | 46388.0 | 6909.0 | 39480.0 | 23240.0 | 4635.0 | 18605.0 |
| 1961 | 70459.0 | 46653.0 | 7048.0 | 39605.0 | 23806.0 | 4839.0 | 18966.0 |
| 1962 | 70614.0 | 46600.0 | 7048.0 | 39552.0 | 24014.0 | 4949.0 | 19067.0 |
| 1963 | 71833.0 | 47129.0 | 7421.0 | 39707.0 | 24704.0 | 5190.0 | 19514.0 |
| 1964 | 73091.0 | 47679.0 | 7828.0 | 39849.0 | 25412.0 | 5524.0 | 19887.0 |
| 1965 | 74455.0 | 48255.0 | 8291.0 | 39962.0 | 26200.0 | 5877.0 | 20324.0 |
| 1966 | 75770.0 | 48471.0 | 8504.0 | 39967.0 | 27299.0 | 6462.0 | 20837.0 |
| 1967 | 77347.0 | 48987.0 | 8677.0 | 40312.0 | 28360.0 | 6854.0 | 21509.0 |
| 1968 | 78737.0 | 49533.0 | 8751.0 | 40777.0 | 29204.0 | 7173.0 | 22031.0 |
| 1969 | 80734.0 | 50221.0 | 9153.0 | 41071.0 | 30513.0 | 7697.0 | 22815.0 |
| 1970 | 82715.0 | 51195.0 | 9714.0 | 41480.0 | 31520.0 | 8115.0 | 23405.0 |
| 1971 | 84113.0 | 52021.0 | 10355.0 | 41667.0 | 32091.0 | 8363.0 | 23728.0 |
| 1972 | 86542.0 | 53265.0 | 11152.0 | 42113.0 | 33277.0 | 8881.0 | 24397.0 |
| 1973 | 88714.0 | 54203.0 | 11745.0 | 42460.0 | 34510.0 | 9389.0 | 25121.0 |
| 1974 | 91011.0 | 55186.0 | 12075.0 | 43111.0 | 35825.0 | 9821.0 | 26004.0 |
| 1975 | 92613.0 | 55615.0 | 12158.0 | 43456.0 | 36998.0 | 10108.0 | 26891.0 |
| 1976 | 94773.0 | 56359.0 | 12498.0 | 43861.0 | 38414.0 | 10418.0 | 27995.0 |
| 1977 | 97401.0 | 57449.0 | 12862.0 | 44586.0 | 39952.0 | 10823.0 | 29129.0 |
| 1978 | 100420.0 | 58542.0 | 13141.0 | 45402.0 | 41878.0 | 11322.0 | 30556.0 |
| 1979 | 102908.0 | 59517.0 | 13270.0 | 46248.0 | 43391.0 | 11510.0 | 31881.0 |
| 1980 | 104719.0 | 60145.0 | 13199.0 | 46946.0 | 44574.0 | 11424.0 | 33150.0 |

Units: Thousands of persons.

Sources: All Series

1947-1979: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (1980), Tables 1 and 3, pp. 5-6, 10-12, with age cells combined.
 1980: Employment and Earnings, January 1981, 28 (no. 1): 162, 164-165, Tables 1, 3, with age cells combined.

CLF only

1929-1946: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis (1973), Series A110 [BLS], pp. 200-201.
 1890-1928: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis (1973), Series A109 [Lebergott], pp. 200-201, linked by 1929 ratio splice.

Other Series

1890-1946: Difference between corresponding data for total labor force and armed forces from Tables 1 above and 5 below.

Notes: a. Age-eligibility for inclusion in the labor force was 14 or older for 1890-1946 and 16 or older for 1947-1980.

TABLE 3
Total Employment by Sex and Age
1890-1980

| Year | Total | Males | | | Females | | |
|------|---------|--------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| | | Total TE _M | Young TE _{MY} | Old TE _{MO} | Total TE _F | Young TE _{FY} | Old TE _{FO} |
| 1889 | 22577.9 | 18747.5 | 4997.9 | 13749.6 | 3830.4 | 1987.6 | 1842.8 |
| 1890 | 22792.2 | 18900.0 | 5046.8 | 13853.2 | 3892.3 | 2004.4 | 1887.8 |
| 1891 | 23932.1 | 19818.4 | 5300.7 | 14517.6 | 4113.8 | 2102.6 | 2011.2 |
| 1892 | 22321.3 | 18459.4 | 4945.3 | 13514.0 | 3861.9 | 1959.1 | 1902.8 |
| 1893 | 21102.0 | 17427.4 | 4676.5 | 12750.9 | 3674.6 | 1850.3 | 1824.3 |
| 1894 | 22824.2 | 18824.1 | 5059.7 | 13764.5 | 4000.1 | 1999.3 | 2000.8 |
| 1895 | 23129.3 | 19049.8 | 5128.8 | 13921.0 | 4079.5 | 2024.0 | 2055.5 |
| 1896 | 23604.4 | 19414.6 | 5235.6 | 14179.0 | 4189.7 | 2063.5 | 2126.3 |
| 1897 | 24746.3 | 20326.1 | 5490.5 | 14835.7 | 4420.2 | 2161.1 | 2259.0 |
| 1898 | 26911.7 | 22074.6 | 5972.6 | 16102.0 | 4837.1 | 2347.9 | 2489.2 |
| 1899 | 27909.3 | 22861.6 | 6195.8 | 16665.8 | 5047.7 | 2432.5 | 2615.2 |
| 1900 | 28922.4 | 23657.6 | 6351.9 | 17305.7 | 5264.8 | 2517.7 | 2747.1 |
| 1901 | 29800.5 | 24340.9 | 6473.9 | 17867.0 | 5459.6 | 2591.0 | 2868.6 |
| 1902 | 30506.5 | 24881.8 | 6554.7 | 18327.1 | 5624.6 | 2649.1 | 2975.5 |
| 1903 | 30771.3 | 25061.8 | 6538.5 | 18523.3 | 5709.5 | 2668.8 | 3040.7 |
| 1904 | 31977.2 | 26006.5 | 6718.7 | 19287.8 | 5970.7 | 2770.0 | 3200.7 |
| 1905 | 33749.8 | 27408.6 | 7010.9 | 20397.7 | 6341.2 | 2919.9 | 3421.3 |
| 1906 | 34371.3 | 27873.1 | 7058.3 | 20814.8 | 6498.2 | 2970.0 | 3528.2 |
| 1907 | 33246.9 | 26922.3 | 6748.3 | 20174.0 | 6324.6 | 2869.3 | 3455.2 |
| 1908 | 35073.2 | 28360.1 | 7035.6 | 21324.5 | 6713.1 | 3023.2 | 3689.8 |
| 1909 | 35762.6 | 28875.7 | 7088.9 | 21786.8 | 6886.9 | 3078.8 | 3808.1 |
| 1910 | 36180.1 | 29170.4 | 7085.6 | 22084.8 | 7009.7 | 3110.9 | 3898.7 |
| 1911 | 37434.3 | 30137.8 | 7242.3 | 22895.5 | 7296.5 | 3214.8 | 4081.7 |
| 1912 | 38299.0 | 30789.1 | 7318.5 | 23470.6 | 7509.9 | 3285.0 | 4225.0 |
| 1913 | 37560.1 | 30151.0 | 7088.0 | 23063.1 | 7409.0 | 3217.6 | 4191.4 |
| 1914 | 37511.6 | 30069.2 | 6989.7 | 23078.6 | 7443.4 | 3209.4 | 4234.0 |
| 1915 | 39364.7 | 31507.5 | 7241.3 | 24266.1 | 7857.2 | 3363.8 | 4493.4 |
| 1916 | 40085.1 | 32037.1 | 7278.6 | 24758.6 | 8047.9 | 3421.1 | 4626.9 |
| 1917 | 42713.2 | 34087.6 | 7654.2 | 26433.4 | 8625.6 | 3640.8 | 4984.8 |
| 1918 | 41939.2 | 33420.8 | 7415.8 | 26005.0 | 8518.4 | 3570.4 | 4948.0 |
| 1919 | 40800.3 | 32465.4 | 7117.4 | 25348.0 | 8334.9 | 3469.1 | 4865.8 |
| 1920 | 38569.0 | 30632.0 | 6669.0 | 23963.0 | 7937.0 | 3269.3 | 4667.7 |
| 1921 | 41135.3 | 32608.4 | 7049.6 | 25558.8 | 8526.9 | 3476.1 | 5050.8 |
| 1922 | 43956.1 | 34778.5 | 7465.6 | 27312.9 | 9177.7 | 3703.0 | 5474.6 |
| 1923 | 43607.8 | 34437.3 | 7339.5 | 27097.8 | 9170.4 | 3662.3 | 5508.1 |
| 1924 | 45082.6 | 35534.3 | 7518.5 | 28015.7 | 9548.3 | 3774.4 | 5773.9 |
| 1925 | 46464.6 | 36553.8 | 7677.7 | 28876.1 | 9910.8 | 3878.0 | 6032.8 |
| 1926 | 46496.6 | 36509.1 | 7611.7 | 28897.5 | 9987.5 | 3863.6 | 6118.9 |
| 1927 | 46774.9 | 36657.4 | 7585.4 | 29071.9 | 10117.5 | 3879.5 | 6238.0 |
| 1928 | 47890.0 | 37459.4 | 7692.8 | 29766.5 | 10430.6 | 3959.5 | 6471.1 |
| 1929 | 45760.0 | 35724.6 | 7280.4 | 28444.1 | 10035.4 | 3771.5 | 6263.9 |
| 1930 | 42959.0 | 33395.6 | 6822.9 | 26572.7 | 9563.4 | 3538.8 | 6024.5 |
| 1931 | 39782.0 | 30794.2 | 6307.3 | 24486.9 | 8987.8 | 3275.4 | 5712.4 |
| 1932 | 41205.0 | 31759.3 | 6521.4 | 25237.9 | 9445.7 | 3390.9 | 6054.8 |
| 1933 | 44124.0 | 33863.1 | 6971.2 | 26891.9 | 10260.9 | 3629.2 | 6631.7 |
| 1934 | 45617.0 | 34858.0 | 7194.4 | 27663.5 | 10759.0 | 3750.1 | 7009.0 |
| 1935 | 48454.0 | 36865.5 | 7628.4 | 29237.0 | 11588.5 | 3981.2 | 7607.3 |
| 1936 | 49383.0 | 37408.8 | 7761.0 | 29647.8 | 11974.2 | 4055.5 | 7918.7 |
| 1937 | 48151.0 | 36316.2 | 7554.0 | 28762.1 | 11834.8 | 3952.3 | 7882.6 |
| 1938 | 49375.0 | 37075.9 | 7732.4 | 29343.5 | 12299.1 | 4050.7 | 8248.5 |
| 1939 | 50890.0 | 38045.0 | 7955.5 | 30089.5 | 12845.0 | 4172.8 | 8672.2 |
| 1940 | 54179.0 | 40437.1 | 8804.6 | 31632.6 | 13741.9 | 4543.1 | 9198.8 |
| 1941 | 58634.0 | 42957.4 | 9485.6 | 33471.8 | 15676.6 | 5131.6 | 10545.0 |
| 1942 | 63575.0 | 45095.3 | 10491.2 | 34604.1 | 18479.7 | 5996.3 | 12483.4 |
| 1943 | 65370.0 | 46257.8 | 10852.3 | 35405.5 | 19112.2 | 6150.6 | 12961.6 |
| 1944 | 64260.0 | 45528.4 | 10151.9 | 35376.5 | 18731.6 | 5852.4 | 12879.2 |
| 1945 | 58700.0 | 42369.1 | 8243.0 | 34126.1 | 16330.9 | 4819.7 | 11511.1 |
| 1946 | 58630.0 | 42567.0 | 7486.0 | 35078.0 | 16064.0 | 4291.0 | 11771.0 |
| 1947 | 59803.0 | 43168.0 | 7540.0 | 35631.0 | 16633.0 | 4272.0 | 12361.0 |
| 1948 | 59266.0 | 42524.0 | 7259.0 | 35262.0 | 16741.0 | 4056.0 | 12697.0 |
| 1949 | 60570.0 | 43205.0 | 7350.0 | 35855.0 | 17363.0 | 4016.0 | 13347.0 |
| 1950 | 63062.0 | 44842.0 | 7787.0 | 37056.0 | 18219.0 | 4169.0 | 14049.0 |
| 1951 | 63846.0 | 45229.0 | 7674.0 | 37556.0 | 18613.0 | 4024.0 | 14590.0 |
| 1952 | 64726.0 | 45928.0 | 7525.0 | 38406.0 | 18796.0 | 3934.0 | 14861.0 |
| 1953 | 63460.0 | 44929.0 | 7045.0 | 37885.0 | 18530.0 | 3760.0 | 14772.0 |
| 1954 | 65220.0 | 45634.0 | 7142.0 | 38492.0 | 19587.0 | 3863.0 | 15719.0 |

TABLE 3 (Continued)

| Year | TE | TE _M | TE _{MY} | TE _{MO} | TE _F | TE _{FY} | TE _{FO} |
|------|---------|-----------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------|------------------|
| 1954 | 66659.0 | 46202.0 | 7252.0 | 38954.0 | 20453.0 | 3971.0 | 16482.0 |
| 1957 | 66871.0 | 46124.0 | 7183.0 | 38939.0 | 20747.0 | 3975.0 | 16771.0 |
| 1958 | 65672.0 | 45028.0 | 6906.0 | 38121.0 | 20644.0 | 3863.0 | 16782.0 |
| 1959 | 67182.0 | 45985.0 | 7286.0 | 38697.0 | 21197.0 | 3930.0 | 17264.0 |
| 1960 | 68292.0 | 46386.0 | 7478.0 | 38905.0 | 21906.0 | 4152.0 | 17754.0 |
| 1961 | 68318.0 | 46196.0 | 7480.0 | 38718.0 | 22122.0 | 4243.0 | 17877.0 |
| 1962 | 69530.0 | 46972.0 | 7736.0 | 39235.0 | 22558.0 | 4398.0 | 18160.0 |
| 1963 | 70500.0 | 47363.0 | 7980.0 | 39389.0 | 23137.0 | 4564.0 | 18574.0 |
| 1964 | 72044.0 | 48182.0 | 8408.0 | 39773.0 | 23862.0 | 4880.0 | 18993.0 |
| 1965 | 73811.0 | 49031.0 | 8967.0 | 40064.0 | 24780.0 | 5254.0 | 19525.0 |
| 1966 | 76018.0 | 50008.0 | 9609.0 | 40401.0 | 26010.0 | 5852.0 | 20158.0 |
| 1967 | 77818.0 | 50890.0 | 10078.0 | 40816.0 | 26928.0 | 6211.0 | 20719.0 |
| 1968 | 79455.0 | 51611.0 | 10299.0 | 41316.0 | 27845.0 | 6501.0 | 21342.0 |
| 1969 | 81408.0 | 52285.0 | 10659.0 | 41621.0 | 29122.0 | 7020.0 | 22102.0 |
| 1970 | 81815.0 | 52108.0 | 10696.0 | 41413.0 | 29707.0 | 7251.0 | 22456.0 |
| 1971 | 81936.0 | 52021.0 | 10771.0 | 41248.0 | 29916.0 | 7338.0 | 22577.0 |
| 1972 | 84151.0 | 53036.0 | 11260.0 | 41776.0 | 31115.0 | 7822.0 | 23292.0 |
| 1973 | 86735.0 | 54239.0 | 11898.0 | 42339.0 | 32497.0 | 8377.0 | 24121.0 |
| 1974 | 88164.0 | 54682.0 | 11915.0 | 42767.0 | 33484.0 | 8661.0 | 24823.0 |
| 1975 | 86963.0 | 53321.0 | 11298.0 | 42024.0 | 33642.0 | 8609.0 | 25031.0 |
| 1976 | 89629.0 | 54429.0 | 11747.0 | 42681.0 | 35201.0 | 8979.0 | 26223.0 |
| 1977 | 92679.0 | 55879.0 | 12231.0 | 43650.0 | 36800.0 | 9392.0 | 27409.0 |
| 1978 | 96490.0 | 57484.0 | 12662.0 | 44822.0 | 39006.0 | 9956.0 | 29050.0 |
| 1979 | 99033.0 | 58448.0 | 12792.0 | 45655.0 | 40586.0 | 10200.0 | 30386.0 |
| 1980 | 99372.0 | 57931.0 | 12284.0 | 45647.0 | 41442.0 | 10051.0 | 31391.0 |

Units: Thousands of persons.

Sources: All Series

1947-1980: Sum of corresponding concepts for civilian employment and armed forces in Tables 4 and 5 below.

TE only

1929-1946: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis (1973), Series A77 [BLS], pp. 194-195, plus Emergency Workers for 1930-1943 from Darby (1976), p. 7.

1890-1928: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis (1973), Series A76 [Lebergott], pp. 194-195, linked by 1929 ratio splice.

Other Series

1890-1946: Product of corresponding total labor force shares and TE.

TABLE 4
Civilian Employment by Sex and Age
1890-1980

| Year | Total CE | Males | | | Females | | |
|------|-------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| | | Total CE _M | Young CE _{MY} | Old CE _{MO} | Total CE _F | Young CE _{FY} | Old CE _{FO} |
| 1890 | 22541.5 | 18711.1 | 4976.0 | 13735.1 | 3830.4 | 1987.6 | 1842.8 |
| 1891 | 22756.9 | 18864.6 | 5025.5 | 13839.1 | 3892.3 | 2034.4 | 1887.8 |
| 1892 | 23895.9 | 19782.2 | 5278.9 | 14503.2 | 4113.8 | 2132.6 | 2011.2 |
| 1893 | 22284.8 | 18422.9 | 4923.4 | 13499.5 | 3861.9 | 1959.1 | 1972.8 |
| 1894 | 21062.3 | 17387.7 | 4652.6 | 12735.0 | 3674.6 | 1850.3 | 1824.3 |
| 1895 | 22784.7 | 18784.6 | 5035.9 | 13748.7 | 4000.1 | 1999.3 | 2000.8 |
| 1896 | 23089.8 | 19010.4 | 5105.0 | 13905.3 | 4079.5 | 2024.0 | 2055.5 |
| 1897 | 23563.0 | 19373.2 | 5211.7 | 14162.6 | 4189.7 | 2063.5 | 2126.3 |
| 1898 | 24507.2 | 20087.0 | 5346.5 | 14740.5 | 4420.2 | 2161.1 | 2259.0 |
| 1899 | 26813.1 | 21976.0 | 5913.2 | 16062.7 | 4837.1 | 2347.9 | 2489.2 |
| 1900 | 27786.1 | 22738.4 | 6121.6 | 16616.8 | 5047.7 | 2432.5 | 2615.2 |
| 1901 | 28808.7 | 23543.9 | 6283.5 | 17260.4 | 5264.8 | 2517.7 | 2747.1 |
| 1902 | 29694.1 | 24234.6 | 6409.9 | 17824.7 | 5459.6 | 2591.7 | 2868.6 |
| 1903 | 30432.3 | 24777.7 | 6492.0 | 18285.7 | 5624.6 | 2649.1 | 2975.5 |
| 1904 | 30666.2 | 24956.7 | 6475.2 | 18481.5 | 5709.5 | 2668.8 | 3040.7 |
| 1905 | 31870.2 | 25899.5 | 6654.3 | 19245.2 | 5970.7 | 2770.0 | 3200.7 |
| 1906 | 33643.1 | 27301.9 | 6946.6 | 20355.3 | 6341.2 | 2919.9 | 3421.3 |
| 1907 | 34261.6 | 27763.4 | 6992.2 | 20771.2 | 6498.2 | 2970.0 | 3528.2 |
| 1908 | 33125.7 | 26801.1 | 6675.3 | 20125.8 | 6324.6 | 2869.3 | 3455.2 |
| 1909 | 34947.9 | 28227.8 | 6956.0 | 21271.6 | 6713.1 | 3023.2 | 3689.8 |
| 1910 | 35623.3 | 28736.4 | 7005.0 | 21731.4 | 6886.9 | 3078.8 | 3808.1 |
| 1911 | 36036.6 | 29327.0 | 6999.3 | 22027.7 | 7009.7 | 3110.9 | 3898.7 |
| 1912 | 37287.0 | 29990.5 | 7153.5 | 22836.9 | 7296.5 | 3214.8 | 4081.7 |
| 1913 | 38143.6 | 30633.7 | 7224.9 | 23408.8 | 7509.9 | 3285.0 | 4225.0 |
| 1914 | 37393.3 | 29989.3 | 6990.6 | 22998.7 | 7409.0 | 3217.6 | 4191.4 |
| 1915 | 37333.5 | 29895.1 | 6885.4 | 23009.7 | 7443.4 | 3209.4 | 4234.0 |
| 1916 | 39184.7 | 31327.5 | 7133.0 | 24194.5 | 7857.2 | 3363.8 | 4493.4 |
| 1917 | 39357.6 | 31302.7 | 6836.3 | 24466.4 | 8047.9 | 3421.1 | 4626.9 |
| 1918 | 39726.9 | 31101.3 | 5856.0 | 25245.2 | 8625.6 | 3640.8 | 4984.8 |
| 1919 | 40355.7 | 31837.2 | 6462.3 | 25375.0 | 8518.4 | 3570.4 | 4948.0 |
| 1920 | 40415.5 | 32080.6 | 6885.7 | 25194.9 | 8334.9 | 3469.1 | 4865.8 |
| 1921 | 38202.3 | 30265.3 | 6448.2 | 23817.1 | 7937.0 | 3269.3 | 4667.7 |
| 1922 | 40857.7 | 32330.8 | 6882.4 | 25448.3 | 8526.9 | 3476.1 | 5050.8 |
| 1923 | 43707.6 | 34523.0 | 7311.7 | 27211.2 | 9177.7 | 3703.0 | 5474.6 |
| 1924 | 43339.8 | 34169.4 | 7178.2 | 26991.2 | 9170.4 | 3662.3 | 5508.1 |
| 1925 | 45062.3 | 35514.0 | 7506.3 | 28007.7 | 9548.3 | 3774.4 | 5773.9 |
| 1926 | 46208.5 | 36297.7 | 7523.5 | 28774.2 | 9910.8 | 3878.0 | 6032.8 |
| 1927 | 46237.4 | 36249.9 | 7455.6 | 28794.3 | 9987.5 | 3868.6 | 6118.9 |
| 1928 | 46512.6 | 36395.1 | 7427.5 | 28967.6 | 10117.5 | 3879.5 | 6238.0 |
| 1929 | 47630.0 | 37199.4 | 7536.2 | 29663.1 | 10430.6 | 3959.5 | 6471.1 |
| 1930 | 45507.0 | 35464.6 | 7123.9 | 28340.7 | 10335.4 | 3771.5 | 6263.9 |
| 1931 | 42699.0 | 33135.6 | 6666.3 | 26469.3 | 9563.4 | 3538.8 | 6024.5 |
| 1932 | 39532.0 | 30544.2 | 6156.7 | 24387.5 | 8987.8 | 3275.4 | 5712.4 |
| 1933 | 40955.0 | 31509.3 | 6370.9 | 25138.4 | 9445.7 | 3390.9 | 6054.8 |
| 1934 | 43864.0 | 33603.1 | 6814.6 | 26788.5 | 10260.9 | 3629.2 | 6631.7 |
| 1935 | 45347.0 | 34588.0 | 7031.9 | 27556.1 | 10759.0 | 3750.1 | 7009.0 |
| 1936 | 48154.0 | 36565.5 | 7447.8 | 29117.6 | 11588.5 | 3981.2 | 7607.3 |
| 1937 | 49063.0 | 37088.8 | 7568.3 | 29520.5 | 11974.2 | 4055.5 | 7918.7 |
| 1938 | 47811.0 | 35976.2 | 7349.3 | 28626.8 | 11834.8 | 3952.3 | 7882.6 |
| 1939 | 49005.0 | 36705.9 | 7509.6 | 29196.3 | 12299.1 | 4050.7 | 8248.5 |
| 1940 | 50350.0 | 37505.0 | 7630.4 | 29874.7 | 12845.0 | 4172.8 | 8672.2 |
| 1941 | 52559.0 | 38817.1 | 7829.1 | 30988.0 | 13741.9 | 4543.1 | 9198.8 |
| 1942 | 54664.0 | 38987.4 | 7095.1 | 31892.3 | 15676.6 | 5131.6 | 10545.0 |
| 1943 | 54555.0 | 36075.3 | 5059.8 | 31015.5 | 18479.7 | 5996.3 | 12483.4 |
| 1944 | 53960.0 | 34847.8 | 3981.8 | 30865.9 | 19112.2 | 6150.6 | 12961.6 |
| 1945 | 52820.0 | 34088.4 | 3263.4 | 30825.0 | 18731.6 | 5852.4 | 12879.2 |
| 1946 | 55250.0 | 38919.1 | 6165.6 | 32753.5 | 16330.9 | 4819.7 | 11511.1 |
| 1947 | 57038.0 | 40995.0 | 6456.0 | 34538.0 | 16045.0 | 4282.0 | 11762.0 |
| 1948 | 58343.0 | 41725.0 | 6695.0 | 35033.0 | 16617.0 | 4270.0 | 12348.0 |
| 1949 | 57651.0 | 40925.0 | 6320.0 | 34606.0 | 16723.0 | 4051.0 | 12683.0 |
| 1950 | 58918.0 | 41578.0 | 6441.0 | 35139.0 | 17340.0 | 4008.0 | 13332.0 |
| 1951 | 59961.0 | 41780.0 | 5936.0 | 35846.0 | 18181.0 | 4152.0 | 14029.0 |
| 1952 | 60250.0 | 41682.0 | 5288.0 | 36396.0 | 18568.0 | 4301.0 | 14568.0 |
| 1953 | 61179.0 | 42430.0 | 5037.0 | 37394.0 | 18749.0 | 3908.0 | 14840.0 |
| 1954 | 60109.0 | 41619.0 | 4709.0 | 36910.0 | 18490.0 | 3737.0 | 14752.0 |
| 1955 | 62170.0 | 42621.0 | 5069.0 | 37554.0 | 19551.0 | 3845.0 | 15705.0 |

TABLE 4 (Continued)

| Year | CE | CE _M | CE _{MY} | CE _{MO} | CE _F | CE _{FF} | CE _{FO} |
|------|---------|-----------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------|------------------|
| 1956 | 63799.0 | 43379.0 | 5410.0 | 37970.0 | 20419.0 | 3954.0 | 16466.0 |
| 1957 | 64071.0 | 43357.0 | 5460.0 | 37896.0 | 20714.0 | 3958.0 | 16755.0 |
| 1958 | 63036.0 | 42423.0 | 5305.0 | 37117.0 | 20613.0 | 3847.0 | 16766.0 |
| 1959 | 64630.0 | 43466.0 | 5795.0 | 37671.0 | 21164.0 | 3913.0 | 17250.0 |
| 1960 | 65778.0 | 43904.0 | 6114.0 | 37789.0 | 21874.0 | 4135.0 | 17738.0 |
| 1961 | 65746.0 | 43656.0 | 6112.0 | 37544.0 | 22090.0 | 4226.0 | 17862.0 |
| 1962 | 66702.0 | 44177.0 | 6260.0 | 37916.0 | 22525.0 | 4381.0 | 18145.0 |
| 1963 | 67762.0 | 44657.0 | 6524.0 | 38135.0 | 23105.0 | 4546.0 | 18561.0 |
| 1964 | 69305.0 | 45474.0 | 6957.0 | 38516.0 | 23831.0 | 4863.0 | 18970.0 |
| 1965 | 71068.0 | 46340.0 | 7501.0 | 38839.0 | 24748.0 | 5237.0 | 19512.0 |
| 1966 | 72895.0 | 46919.0 | 7851.0 | 39069.0 | 25976.0 | 5833.0 | 20143.0 |
| 1967 | 74372.0 | 47479.0 | 7995.0 | 39488.0 | 26893.0 | 6187.0 | 20709.0 |
| 1968 | 75920.0 | 48114.0 | 8067.0 | 40047.0 | 27807.0 | 6475.0 | 21331.0 |
| 1969 | 77902.0 | 48818.0 | 8442.0 | 40376.0 | 29084.0 | 6993.0 | 22090.0 |
| 1970 | 78627.0 | 48960.0 | 8637.0 | 40323.0 | 29667.0 | 7223.0 | 22444.0 |
| 1971 | 79120.0 | 49245.0 | 9029.0 | 40215.0 | 29875.0 | 7310.0 | 22564.0 |
| 1972 | 81702.0 | 50630.0 | 9826.0 | 40804.0 | 31072.0 | 7790.0 | 23282.0 |
| 1973 | 84409.0 | 51963.0 | 10583.0 | 41380.0 | 32446.0 | 8339.0 | 24108.0 |
| 1974 | 85935.0 | 52519.0 | 10696.0 | 41623.0 | 33417.0 | 8610.0 | 24807.0 |
| 1975 | 84783.0 | 51230.0 | 10143.0 | 41087.0 | 33553.0 | 8542.0 | 25010.0 |
| 1976 | 87485.0 | 52391.0 | 10646.0 | 41744.0 | 35095.0 | 8899.0 | 26196.0 |
| 1977 | 90546.0 | 53861.0 | 11155.0 | 42707.0 | 36685.0 | 9310.0 | 27376.0 |
| 1978 | 94373.0 | 55491.0 | 11609.0 | 43883.0 | 38882.0 | 9670.0 | 29012.0 |
| 1979 | 96945.0 | 56499.0 | 11770.0 | 44729.0 | 40446.0 | 10106.0 | 30340.0 |
| 1980 | 97270.0 | 55988.0 | 11270.0 | 44718.0 | 41283.0 | 9947.0 | 31336.0 |

Units: Thousands of persons.

Sources: All Series

1947-1979: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (1980), Table 18, pp. 40-44, with age cells combined and misprint for 1959 20-to-34-years females corrected from 4,846 to 3,846.

1980: Employment and Earnings, January 1981, 28 (no. 1): 162, 164-165, with age cells combined.

CE only

1929-1946: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis (1973), Series A79 [BLS], pp. 194-195 plus Emergency Workers for 1930-1943 from Darby (1976), p. 7.

1890-1928: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis (1973), Series A78 [Lebergott], pp. 194-195, linked by 1929 ratio splice.

Other Series

1890-1946: Difference between corresponding data for total employment and armed forces in Tables 3 above and 5 below.

TABLE 5
Armed Forces by Sex and Age
1890-1980

| Year | Total AF | Males | | | Females | | |
|------|-------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| | | Total AF _{M.} | Young AF _{MY} | Old AF _{MY} | Total AF _{F.} | Young AF _{FY} | Old AF _{FO} |
| 1889 | . | . | . | . | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 1890 | 36.4 | 36.4 | 21.9 | 14.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 1891 | 35.4 | 35.4 | 21.3 | 14.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 1892 | 36.2 | 36.2 | 21.8 | 14.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 1893 | 36.5 | 36.5 | 22.0 | 14.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 1894 | 39.8 | 39.8 | 23.9 | 15.8 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 1895 | 39.5 | 39.5 | 23.8 | 15.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 1896 | 39.4 | 39.4 | 23.7 | 15.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 1897 | 41.4 | 41.4 | 24.9 | 16.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 1898 | 239.1 | 239.1 | 144.0 | 95.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 1899 | 98.6 | 98.6 | 59.4 | 39.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 1900 | 123.2 | 123.2 | 74.2 | 49.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 1901 | 113.7 | 113.7 | 68.5 | 45.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 1902 | 106.3 | 106.3 | 64.0 | 42.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 1903 | 104.2 | 104.2 | 62.7 | 41.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 1904 | 105.2 | 105.2 | 63.3 | 41.8 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 1905 | 107.0 | 107.0 | 64.4 | 42.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 1906 | 106.7 | 106.7 | 64.3 | 42.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 1907 | 109.7 | 109.7 | 66.1 | 43.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 1908 | 121.2 | 121.2 | 73.0 | 48.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 1909 | 132.3 | 132.3 | 79.6 | 52.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 1910 | 139.4 | 139.4 | 83.9 | 55.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 1911 | 143.4 | 143.4 | 86.4 | 57.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 1912 | 147.3 | 147.3 | 88.7 | 58.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 1913 | 155.4 | 155.4 | 93.6 | 61.8 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 1914 | 161.7 | 161.7 | 97.4 | 64.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 1915 | 173.1 | 173.1 | 104.2 | 68.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 1916 | 180.0 | 180.0 | 108.4 | 71.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 1917 | 734.4 | 734.4 | 442.2 | 292.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 1918 | 2986.3 | 2986.3 | 1798.2 | 1188.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 1919 | 1583.5 | 1583.5 | 953.5 | 630.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 1920 | 384.9 | 384.9 | 231.8 | 153.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 1921 | 366.7 | 366.7 | 220.8 | 145.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 1922 | 277.6 | 277.6 | 167.2 | 110.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 1923 | 255.5 | 255.5 | 153.9 | 101.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 1924 | 267.9 | 267.9 | 161.3 | 106.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 1925 | 20.3 | 20.3 | 12.2 | 8.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 1926 | 256.1 | 256.1 | 154.2 | 101.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 1927 | 259.2 | 259.2 | 156.1 | 103.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 1928 | 262.2 | 262.2 | 157.9 | 104.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 1929 | 260.0 | 260.0 | 156.6 | 103.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 1930 | 260.0 | 260.0 | 156.6 | 103.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 1931 | 260.0 | 260.0 | 156.6 | 103.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 1932 | 250.0 | 250.0 | 150.5 | 99.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 1933 | 250.0 | 250.0 | 150.5 | 99.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 1934 | 260.0 | 260.0 | 156.6 | 103.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 1935 | 270.0 | 270.0 | 162.6 | 107.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 1936 | 300.0 | 300.0 | 180.6 | 119.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 1937 | 320.0 | 320.0 | 192.7 | 127.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 1938 | 340.0 | 340.0 | 204.7 | 135.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 1939 | 370.0 | 370.0 | 222.8 | 147.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 1940 | 540.0 | 540.0 | 325.2 | 214.8 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 1941 | 1620.0 | 1620.0 | 975.5 | 644.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 1942 | 3970.0 | 3970.0 | 2390.5 | 1579.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 1943 | 9020.0 | 9020.0 | 5431.3 | 3588.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 1944 | 11410.0 | 11410.0 | 6870.5 | 4539.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 1945 | 11440.0 | 11440.0 | 6888.5 | 4551.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 1946 | 3450.0 | 3450.0 | 2077.4 | 1372.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 1947 | 1591.0 | 1572.0 | 1030.0 | 540.0 | 19.0 | 9.0 | 9.0 |
| 1948 | 1459.0 | 1443.0 | 845.0 | 598.0 | 16.0 | 2.0 | 13.0 |
| 1949 | 1617.0 | 1599.0 | 939.0 | 656.0 | 18.0 | 5.0 | 14.0 |
| 1950 | 1650.0 | 1627.0 | 909.0 | 716.0 | 23.0 | 8.0 | 15.0 |
| 1951 | 3100.0 | 3062.0 | 1851.0 | 1210.0 | 38.0 | 17.0 | 20.0 |
| 1952 | 3592.0 | 3547.0 | 2386.0 | 1160.0 | 45.0 | 23.0 | 22.0 |
| 1953 | 3545.0 | 3498.0 | 2488.0 | 1012.0 | 47.0 | 26.0 | 21.0 |
| 1954 | 3350.0 | 3310.0 | 2336.0 | 975.0 | 40.0 | 23.0 | 20.0 |
| 1955 | 3049.0 | 3013.0 | 2073.0 | 938.0 | 36.0 | 18.0 | 14.0 |

TABLE 5 (Continued)

| Year | AF | AF _M | AF _{MY} | AF _{MY} | AF _F | AF _{FY} | AF _{FO} |
|------|--------|-----------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------|------------------|
| 1956 | 2857.0 | 2823.0 | 1842.0 | 984.0 | 34.0 | 17.0 | 16.0 |
| 1957 | 2800.0 | 2767.0 | 1723.0 | 1043.0 | 33.0 | 17.0 | 16.0 |
| 1958 | 2636.0 | 2605.0 | 1601.0 | 1004.0 | 31.0 | 16.0 | 16.0 |
| 1959 | 2552.0 | 2519.0 | 1491.0 | 1026.0 | 33.0 | 17.0 | 14.0 |
| 1960 | 2514.0 | 2482.0 | 1364.0 | 1116.0 | 32.0 | 17.0 | 16.0 |
| 1961 | 2572.0 | 2540.0 | 1368.0 | 1174.0 | 32.0 | 17.0 | 15.0 |
| 1962 | 2828.0 | 2795.0 | 1476.0 | 1319.0 | 33.0 | 17.0 | 15.0 |
| 1963 | 2738.0 | 2706.0 | 1456.0 | 1254.0 | 32.0 | 18.0 | 13.0 |
| 1964 | 2739.0 | 2708.0 | 1451.0 | 1257.0 | 31.0 | 17.0 | 13.0 |
| 1965 | 2723.0 | 2691.0 | 1466.0 | 1225.0 | 32.0 | 17.0 | 13.0 |
| 1966 | 3123.0 | 3089.0 | 1758.0 | 1332.0 | 34.0 | 19.0 | 15.0 |
| 1967 | 3446.0 | 3411.0 | 2083.0 | 1328.0 | 35.0 | 24.0 | 10.0 |
| 1968 | 3535.0 | 3497.0 | 2232.0 | 1269.0 | 38.0 | 26.0 | 11.0 |
| 1969 | 3506.0 | 3467.0 | 2217.0 | 1245.0 | 38.0 | 27.0 | 12.0 |
| 1970 | 3188.0 | 3148.0 | 2059.0 | 1090.0 | 40.0 | 28.0 | 12.0 |
| 1971 | 2816.0 | 2776.0 | 1742.0 | 1033.0 | 41.0 | 28.0 | 13.0 |
| 1972 | 2449.0 | 2406.0 | 1434.0 | 972.0 | 43.0 | 32.0 | 10.0 |
| 1973 | 2326.0 | 2276.0 | 1315.0 | 959.0 | 51.0 | 38.0 | 13.0 |
| 1974 | 2229.0 | 2163.0 | 1219.0 | 944.0 | 67.0 | 51.0 | 16.0 |
| 1975 | 2180.0 | 2091.0 | 1155.0 | 937.0 | 89.0 | 67.0 | 21.0 |
| 1976 | 2144.0 | 2038.0 | 1101.0 | 937.0 | 106.0 | 80.0 | 27.0 |
| 1977 | 2133.0 | 2018.0 | 1076.0 | 943.0 | 115.0 | 82.0 | 33.0 |
| 1978 | 2117.0 | 1993.0 | 1053.0 | 939.0 | 124.0 | 86.0 | 38.0 |
| 1979 | 2088.0 | 1949.0 | 1022.0 | 926.0 | 140.0 | 94.0 | 46.0 |
| 1980 | 2102.0 | 1943.0 | 1014.0 | 929.0 | 159.0 | 104.0 | 55.0 |

Units: Thousands of Persons.

Sources: All Series

1947-1980: Difference between corresponding concepts for total labor force and civilian labor force in Tables 1 and 2 above.

AF only

1890-1946: Difference between Total Employment (TE) and Civilian Employment (CE) in Tables 3 and 4 above.

Other Series

1890-1946: Females, normally negligible in absolute number, assumed 0; warning: obvious bias in war years. Computed σ_{MY} as the ratio of the means of AF_{MY} and AF_M for 1947-1979. Then $AF_{MY} = \sigma_{MY} AF$ and $AF_{MO} = (1 - \sigma_{MY}) AF$.

TABLE 6
Total Labor Force Shares by Sex and Age
1890-1946

| Year | Males | | | Females | | |
|------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------|
| | Total TLFS _{M.} | Young TLFS _{MY} | Old TLFS _{MO} | Total TLFS _{F.} | Young TLFS _{FY} | Old TLFS _{FO} |
| 1889 | | | | | | |
| 1890 | 0.830349 | 0.221362 | 0.608986 | 0.169651 | 0.088032 | 0.081620 |
| 1891 | 0.829228 | 0.221425 | 0.607802 | 0.170772 | 0.087944 | 0.082828 |
| 1892 | 0.828107 | 0.221489 | 0.606617 | 0.171893 | 0.087857 | 0.084037 |
| 1893 | 0.826986 | 0.221552 | 0.605433 | 0.173014 | 0.087769 | 0.085245 |
| 1894 | 0.825865 | 0.221616 | 0.604248 | 0.174135 | 0.087682 | 0.086454 |
| 1895 | 0.824744 | 0.221679 | 0.603064 | 0.175256 | 0.087594 | 0.087662 |
| 1896 | 0.823623 | 0.221743 | 0.601880 | 0.176377 | 0.087507 | 0.088871 |
| 1897 | 0.822502 | 0.221806 | 0.600695 | 0.177498 | 0.087419 | 0.090079 |
| 1898 | 0.821381 | 0.221870 | 0.599511 | 0.178619 | 0.087331 | 0.091288 |
| 1899 | 0.820260 | 0.221933 | 0.598326 | 0.179740 | 0.087244 | 0.092496 |
| 1900 | 0.819139 | 0.221997 | 0.597142 | 0.180861 | 0.087156 | 0.093705 |
| 1901 | 0.817968 | 0.219619 | 0.598348 | 0.182032 | 0.087050 | 0.094983 |
| 1902 | 0.816797 | 0.217242 | 0.599555 | 0.183203 | 0.086943 | 0.096260 |
| 1903 | 0.815625 | 0.214864 | 0.600761 | 0.184375 | 0.086837 | 0.097538 |
| 1904 | 0.814454 | 0.212487 | 0.601968 | 0.185546 | 0.086730 | 0.098816 |
| 1905 | 0.813283 | 0.210109 | 0.603174 | 0.186717 | 0.086624 | 0.100093 |
| 1906 | 0.812112 | 0.207731 | 0.604380 | 0.187888 | 0.086517 | 0.101371 |
| 1907 | 0.810941 | 0.205354 | 0.605587 | 0.189059 | 0.086411 | 0.102649 |
| 1908 | 0.809769 | 0.202976 | 0.606793 | 0.190231 | 0.086304 | 0.103926 |
| 1909 | 0.808598 | 0.200599 | 0.608000 | 0.191402 | 0.086197 | 0.105204 |
| 1910 | 0.807427 | 0.198221 | 0.609206 | 0.192573 | 0.086091 | 0.106482 |
| 1911 | 0.806256 | 0.195843 | 0.610412 | 0.193744 | 0.085984 | 0.107760 |
| 1912 | 0.805085 | 0.193466 | 0.611619 | 0.194915 | 0.085878 | 0.109037 |
| 1913 | 0.803913 | 0.191088 | 0.612825 | 0.196087 | 0.085771 | 0.110315 |
| 1914 | 0.802742 | 0.188711 | 0.614032 | 0.197258 | 0.085665 | 0.111593 |
| 1915 | 0.801571 | 0.186333 | 0.615238 | 0.198429 | 0.085558 | 0.112870 |
| 1916 | 0.800400 | 0.183955 | 0.616444 | 0.199600 | 0.085452 | 0.114148 |
| 1917 | 0.799229 | 0.181578 | 0.617651 | 0.200771 | 0.085345 | 0.115426 |
| 1918 | 0.798057 | 0.179200 | 0.618857 | 0.201943 | 0.085239 | 0.116704 |
| 1919 | 0.796886 | 0.176823 | 0.620064 | 0.203114 | 0.085132 | 0.117981 |
| 1920 | 0.795715 | 0.174445 | 0.621270 | 0.204285 | 0.085026 | 0.119259 |
| 1921 | 0.794543 | 0.172910 | 0.621302 | 0.205457 | 0.084919 | 0.120537 |
| 1922 | 0.793372 | 0.171376 | 0.621335 | 0.206629 | 0.084812 | 0.121815 |
| 1923 | 0.792201 | 0.169841 | 0.621367 | 0.207801 | 0.084705 | 0.123093 |
| 1924 | 0.789707 | 0.168307 | 0.621399 | 0.210293 | 0.083983 | 0.126310 |
| 1925 | 0.788204 | 0.166772 | 0.621431 | 0.211795 | 0.083722 | 0.128073 |
| 1926 | 0.786702 | 0.165238 | 0.621464 | 0.213298 | 0.083462 | 0.129836 |
| 1927 | 0.785200 | 0.163703 | 0.621496 | 0.214800 | 0.083201 | 0.131599 |
| 1928 | 0.783698 | 0.162169 | 0.621528 | 0.216302 | 0.082940 | 0.133361 |
| 1929 | 0.782196 | 0.160634 | 0.621561 | 0.217804 | 0.082680 | 0.135124 |
| 1930 | 0.780694 | 0.159100 | 0.621593 | 0.219306 | 0.082419 | 0.136887 |
| 1931 | 0.777384 | 0.158823 | 0.618560 | 0.222616 | 0.082377 | 0.140239 |
| 1932 | 0.774074 | 0.158546 | 0.615528 | 0.225926 | 0.082335 | 0.143592 |
| 1933 | 0.770764 | 0.158268 | 0.612495 | 0.229236 | 0.082292 | 0.146944 |
| 1934 | 0.767454 | 0.157991 | 0.609462 | 0.232546 | 0.082250 | 0.150296 |
| 1935 | 0.764144 | 0.157714 | 0.606429 | 0.235856 | 0.082208 | 0.153648 |
| 1936 | 0.760834 | 0.157437 | 0.603397 | 0.239166 | 0.082166 | 0.157001 |
| 1937 | 0.757524 | 0.157160 | 0.600364 | 0.242476 | 0.082123 | 0.160353 |
| 1938 | 0.754214 | 0.156882 | 0.597331 | 0.245786 | 0.082081 | 0.163705 |
| 1939 | 0.750904 | 0.156605 | 0.594299 | 0.249096 | 0.082039 | 0.167058 |
| 1940 | 0.747594 | 0.156328 | 0.591266 | 0.252406 | 0.081996 | 0.170410 |
| 1941 | 0.746362 | 0.162509 | 0.583853 | 0.253638 | 0.083853 | 0.169785 |
| 1942 | 0.732637 | 0.161777 | 0.570860 | 0.267363 | 0.087519 | 0.179844 |
| 1943 | 0.709324 | 0.165020 | 0.544304 | 0.290676 | 0.094319 | 0.196357 |
| 1944 | 0.707630 | 0.166013 | 0.541616 | 0.292370 | 0.094089 | 0.198281 |
| 1945 | 0.708503 | 0.157982 | 0.550521 | 0.291497 | 0.091074 | 0.200423 |
| 1946 | 0.721791 | 0.140426 | 0.581365 | 0.278209 | 0.082108 | 0.196101 |

Sources: 1940-1946: Computed from data in U.S. Bureau of the Census (1975), Series D29-41, pp. 131-132, with age cells combined and corrections of obvious fourth or fifth digit errors in total male labor force for 1941, total female labor force for 1941, 1942, and 1945, and total labor force in 1946.

1890, 1900,
1920, 1930: Computed from decennial census data reported in U.S. Bureau of the Census (1975), Series D29-41, pp. 131-132.

Other years: Linear interpolations between values above.

TABLE 7
Estimated Private Employment by Sex and Age
1900-1980

| Year | Total PE | Males | | | Females | | |
|------|-------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| | | Total PE _{M.} | Young PE _{MY} | Old PE _{MO} | Total PE _{F.} | Young PE _{FY} | Old PE _{FO} |
| 1899 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . |
| 1890 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . |
| 1891 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . |
| 1892 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . |
| 1893 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . |
| 1894 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . |
| 1895 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . |
| 1896 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . |
| 1897 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . |
| 1898 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . |
| 1899 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . |
| 1900 | 26692.1 | 21843.2 | 5880.6 | 15962.6 | 4849.0 | 2336.7 | 2512.3 |
| 1901 | 27679.7 | 22621.2 | 6037.2 | 16584.0 | 5058.5 | 2419.0 | 2639.5 |
| 1902 | 28503.1 | 23262.6 | 6152.8 | 17109.8 | 5240.6 | 2437.0 | 2753.5 |
| 1903 | 29173.3 | 23776.1 | 6229.6 | 17546.5 | 5397.2 | 2542.0 | 2855.3 |
| 1904 | 29363.2 | 23917.4 | 6205.5 | 17711.9 | 5471.7 | 2557.7 | 2914.1 |
| 1905 | 30535.2 | 24814.6 | 6375.5 | 18439.1 | 5720.6 | 2653.9 | 3066.6 |
| 1906 | 32257.1 | 26177.2 | 6660.5 | 19516.7 | 6080.0 | 2799.6 | 3280.3 |
| 1907 | 32813.6 | 26590.0 | 6696.7 | 19893.3 | 6223.6 | 2844.5 | 3379.1 |
| 1908 | 31613.7 | 25581.8 | 6371.6 | 19210.2 | 6036.9 | 2738.8 | 3298.0 |
| 1909 | 33376.9 | 26964.3 | 6644.6 | 20319.7 | 6412.6 | 2887.9 | 3524.7 |
| 1910 | 33993.3 | 27421.5 | 6684.5 | 20737.0 | 6571.8 | 2938.0 | 3633.8 |
| 1911 | 34364.6 | 27680.2 | 6674.5 | 21005.7 | 6684.4 | 2966.6 | 3717.9 |
| 1912 | 35570.0 | 28609.5 | 6824.1 | 21785.3 | 6960.5 | 3066.7 | 3893.8 |
| 1913 | 36386.6 | 29222.6 | 6892.1 | 22330.5 | 7164.0 | 3133.6 | 4030.3 |
| 1914 | 35583.3 | 28538.7 | 6652.4 | 21886.2 | 7050.6 | 3061.9 | 3988.7 |
| 1915 | 35477.5 | 28405.1 | 6542.3 | 21862.9 | 7072.4 | 3049.5 | 4022.9 |
| 1916 | 37268.7 | 29795.7 | 6784.2 | 23011.5 | 7473.0 | 3199.3 | 4273.7 |
| 1917 | 37350.6 | 29711.7 | 6488.9 | 23222.9 | 7638.9 | 3247.2 | 4391.7 |
| 1918 | 37265.9 | 29174.6 | 5493.3 | 23681.4 | 8091.3 | 3415.3 | 4676.0 |
| 1919 | 37906.7 | 29905.2 | 6070.1 | 23835.1 | 8001.5 | 3353.7 | 4647.8 |
| 1920 | 38044.5 | 30198.5 | 6481.7 | 23716.8 | 7845.9 | 3265.6 | 4580.4 |
| 1921 | 35805.3 | 28366.3 | 6043.6 | 22322.7 | 7439.0 | 3064.2 | 4374.8 |
| 1922 | 38402.7 | 30388.1 | 6468.9 | 23919.2 | 8014.5 | 3267.2 | 4747.3 |
| 1923 | 41176.6 | 32529.0 | 6889.4 | 25639.6 | 8647.6 | 3489.2 | 5156.4 |
| 1924 | 40703.8 | 32091.2 | 6741.6 | 25349.6 | 8612.7 | 3439.6 | 5173.1 |
| 1925 | 42297.3 | 33334.9 | 7045.7 | 26289.1 | 8962.4 | 3542.8 | 5419.6 |
| 1926 | 43355.5 | 34056.6 | 7059.0 | 26997.6 | 9298.9 | 3638.6 | 5660.3 |
| 1927 | 43292.4 | 33941.1 | 6980.7 | 26960.3 | 9351.3 | 3622.2 | 5729.2 |
| 1928 | 43419.6 | 33974.9 | 6933.6 | 27041.3 | 9444.7 | 3621.5 | 5823.1 |
| 1929 | 44565.0 | 34805.6 | 7051.3 | 27754.3 | 9759.4 | 3704.7 | 6054.7 |
| 1930 | 42332.0 | 32995.3 | 6627.9 | 26367.4 | 9336.7 | 3508.9 | 5827.8 |
| 1931 | 39136.0 | 30370.6 | 6110.0 | 24260.6 | 8765.4 | 3243.5 | 5521.8 |
| 1932 | 35715.0 | 27595.0 | 5562.3 | 22032.7 | 8120.0 | 2959.2 | 5160.8 |
| 1933 | 35594.0 | 27384.8 | 5537.0 | 21847.8 | 8209.2 | 2947.0 | 5262.2 |
| 1934 | 37591.0 | 28797.5 | 5840.1 | 22957.4 | 8793.5 | 3110.2 | 5683.3 |
| 1935 | 38779.0 | 29578.3 | 6013.4 | 23564.9 | 9200.7 | 3206.9 | 5993.8 |
| 1936 | 40742.0 | 30937.2 | 6301.4 | 24635.8 | 9804.8 | 3368.4 | 6436.4 |
| 1937 | 42544.0 | 32160.8 | 6562.7 | 25598.1 | 10383.2 | 3516.6 | 6866.6 |
| 1938 | 40337.0 | 30352.2 | 6200.4 | 24151.8 | 9984.8 | 3334.4 | 6650.3 |
| 1939 | 41755.0 | 31275.5 | 6398.6 | 24876.9 | 10479.5 | 3451.4 | 7028.2 |
| 1940 | 43318.0 | 32267.0 | 6564.7 | 25702.3 | 11051.0 | 3590.0 | 7461.0 |
| 1941 | 45690.0 | 33744.1 | 6805.9 | 26938.2 | 11945.9 | 3949.3 | 7996.6 |
| 1942 | 48267.0 | 34425.0 | 6264.8 | 28160.2 | 13842.0 | 4531.1 | 9311.0 |
| 1943 | 48390.0 | 31998.6 | 4488.0 | 27510.5 | 16391.4 | 5313.7 | 11072.7 |
| 1944 | 47917.0 | 30945.1 | 3535.9 | 27409.2 | 16971.9 | 5461.8 | 11510.1 |
| 1945 | 46876.0 | 30252.3 | 2896.2 | 27356.2 | 16623.7 | 5193.8 | 11429.8 |
| 1946 | 49655.0 | 34977.9 | 5541.2 | 29436.7 | 14677.1 | 4331.7 | 10345.4 |
| 1947 | 51564.0 | 37060.7 | 5836.4 | 31223.3 | 14505.1 | 3871.1 | 10633.2 |
| 1948 | 52693.0 | 37684.3 | 6046.6 | 31640.4 | 15007.8 | 3856.5 | 11152.2 |
| 1949 | 51795.0 | 36768.0 | 5678.0 | 31090.8 | 15024.3 | 3639.5 | 11394.7 |
| 1950 | 52892.0 | 37325.5 | 5782.2 | 31545.1 | 15566.5 | 3598.1 | 11968.4 |
| 1951 | 53572.0 | 37328.2 | 5303.5 | 32026.5 | 16243.8 | 3709.6 | 12534.2 |
| 1952 | 53641.0 | 37109.8 | 4707.9 | 32403.6 | 16531.2 | 3562.1 | 12970.0 |
| 1953 | 54534.0 | 37821.4 | 4489.9 | 33332.4 | 16712.6 | 3483.5 | 13228.1 |
| 1954 | 53358.0 | 36944.7 | 4180.1 | 32764.5 | 16413.3 | 3317.3 | 13095.2 |
| 1955 | 55256.0 | 37881.1 | 4505.3 | 33377.6 | 17376.7 | 3417.4 | 13956.4 |

TABLE 7 (Continued)

| Year | PE | PE _{M.} | PE _{MY} | PE _{MO} | PE _{F.} | PE _{FY} | PE _{FO} |
|------|---------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| 1956 | 56521.0 | 38430.5 | 4792.8 | 33638.5 | 18089.7 | 3502.9 | 14587.6 |
| 1957 | 56455.7 | 38203.2 | 4811.0 | 33391.4 | 18251.8 | 3487.5 | 14763.4 |
| 1958 | 55197.0 | 37147.4 | 4645.3 | 32501.2 | 18049.6 | 3368.6 | 14681.0 |
| 1959 | 56547.7 | 38029.9 | 5070.2 | 32959.6 | 18517.1 | 3423.6 | 15092.6 |
| 1960 | 57425.0 | 38328.7 | 5337.6 | 32990.3 | 19096.3 | 3609.9 | 15485.5 |
| 1961 | 57152.0 | 37949.5 | 5313.1 | 32636.4 | 19202.5 | 3673.6 | 15527.2 |
| 1962 | 57812.0 | 38289.1 | 5425.7 | 32862.6 | 19522.9 | 3797.1 | 15726.6 |
| 1963 | 59537.7 | 38577.5 | 5635.8 | 32943.4 | 19959.5 | 3927.1 | 16034.1 |
| 1964 | 59709.0 | 39177.7 | 5993.7 | 33183.1 | 20531.3 | 4189.7 | 16343.4 |
| 1965 | 61014.0 | 39773.1 | 6438.0 | 33335.1 | 21240.9 | 4494.9 | 16746.9 |
| 1966 | 62111.0 | 39977.9 | 6689.5 | 33289.2 | 22133.1 | 4970.1 | 17163.1 |
| 1967 | 62981.0 | 40207.0 | 6770.5 | 33439.9 | 22774.0 | 5239.4 | 17537.2 |
| 1968 | 64081.0 | 40611.1 | 6809.0 | 33602.1 | 23470.8 | 5465.3 | 18004.6 |
| 1969 | 65707.0 | 41175.9 | 7120.5 | 34055.4 | 24531.1 | 5898.3 | 18632.0 |
| 1970 | 66073.0 | 41142.8 | 7258.0 | 33884.8 | 24930.2 | 6069.7 | 18860.5 |
| 1971 | 66239.0 | 41227.7 | 7559.0 | 33667.9 | 25011.3 | 6119.9 | 18890.5 |
| 1972 | 68368.0 | 42367.0 | 8222.4 | 34144.7 | 26001.0 | 6518.6 | 19482.3 |
| 1973 | 70677.0 | 43509.4 | 8861.3 | 34648.1 | 27167.6 | 6962.4 | 20186.0 |
| 1974 | 71765.0 | 43859.0 | 8932.3 | 34926.7 | 27906.8 | 7190.3 | 20716.5 |
| 1975 | 70097.0 | 42356.0 | 8386.0 | 33970.0 | 27741.0 | 7062.4 | 20677.8 |
| 1976 | 72614.0 | 43485.4 | 8836.4 | 34648.2 | 29129.4 | 7386.3 | 21743.1 |
| 1977 | 75419.0 | 44862.8 | 9291.4 | 35572.2 | 30556.2 | 7754.6 | 22802.4 |
| 1978 | 79701.0 | 46275.9 | 9681.2 | 36595.6 | 32425.1 | 8230.9 | 24194.1 |
| 1979 | 80998.0 | 47205.2 | 9833.9 | 37371.3 | 33792.8 | 8443.6 | 25349.2 |
| 1980 | 81021.0 | 46635.2 | 9387.3 | 37247.8 | 34386.7 | 8285.3 | 26101.3 |

Units: Thousands of persons.

Sources: PE only

1930-1980: Civilian employment (CE) from Table 4 above minus total [federal, state, and local] civilian government employment from Employment and Earnings, July 1981, p. 37. For 1930-1943, Emergency Workers from Darby (1976), p. 7, were also subtracted.

1900-1929: CE minus civilian government employees from Lebergott (1964), Table A-S, p. 514. [Lebergott's data for 1930-1955 match those in our source exactly.]

Other Series

1900-1980: PE/CE times the corresponding civilian employment data from Table 4 above.

TABLE 8
Average and Total Hours Data
1889-1980

| Year | Hours Worked | | | | Private Hours Paid For | |
|------|------------------|---------------|----------------|-------|------------------------|-------|
| | Average Civilian | Total Private | Total Civilian | Total | Average Nonsup. | Total |
| | AHW | THWP | THWC | THWT | AHPN | THP |
| 1889 | 49.6 | 45.8 | . | . | 47.2 | 41.3 |
| 1890 | 49.8 | 47.4 | 37.4 | 35.8 | 47.3 | 42.8 |
| 1891 | 49.8 | 48.6 | 37.7 | 36.1 | 47.3 | 43.9 |
| 1892 | 50.0 | 50.3 | 39.8 | 38.0 | 47.5 | 45.4 |
| 1893 | 49.6 | 49.7 | 36.8 | 35.2 | 47.2 | 44.9 |
| 1894 | 48.9 | 47.9 | 34.3 | 32.8 | 46.5 | 43.2 |
| 1895 | 49.3 | 50.9 | 37.4 | 35.8 | 46.9 | 46.0 |
| 1896 | 49.1 | 50.9 | 37.7 | 36.1 | 46.6 | 46.0 |
| 1897 | 49.1 | 52.5 | 36.5 | 36.9 | 46.7 | 47.4 |
| 1898 | 49.1 | 52.8 | 40.0 | 38.6 | 46.6 | 47.6 |
| 1899 | 49.5 | 56.6 | 44.2 | 42.4 | 47.1 | 51.1 |
| 1900 | 49.3 | 57.2 | 45.6 | 43.8 | 46.9 | 51.7 |
| 1901 | 49.4 | 59.7 | 47.4 | 45.5 | 47.0 | 53.9 |
| 1902 | 49.4 | 62.4 | 48.8 | 46.9 | 47.0 | 56.3 |
| 1903 | 49.4 | 64.1 | 50.0 | 48.0 | 47.0 | 57.9 |
| 1904 | 48.9 | 63.2 | 49.9 | 47.8 | 46.5 | 57.0 |
| 1905 | 49.1 | 66.3 | 52.0 | 49.9 | 46.6 | 59.8 |
| 1906 | 49.1 | 69.0 | 54.9 | 52.7 | 46.6 | 62.2 |
| 1907 | 49.1 | 70.5 | 55.9 | 53.6 | 46.6 | 63.6 |
| 1908 | 48.1 | 67.4 | 53.1 | 50.9 | 45.8 | 63.8 |
| 1909 | 48.2 | 71.2 | 56.1 | 53.8 | 45.8 | 64.2 |
| 1910 | 48.3 | 73.0 | 57.3 | 55.0 | 45.9 | 65.8 |
| 1911 | 48.5 | 74.4 | 58.2 | 55.8 | 46.1 | 67.1 |
| 1912 | 48.6 | 76.7 | 60.3 | 57.9 | 46.2 | 69.2 |
| 1913 | 48.3 | 77.3 | 61.3 | 58.9 | 45.8 | 69.6 |
| 1914 | 47.9 | 75.8 | 59.7 | 57.3 | 45.6 | 68.4 |
| 1915 | 47.4 | 75.2 | 58.9 | 56.5 | 45.1 | 67.9 |
| 1916 | 47.7 | 80.6 | 62.2 | 59.7 | 45.2 | 72.5 |
| 1917 | 47.8 | 82.3 | 62.5 | 60.9 | 45.3 | 74.1 |
| 1918 | 47.3 | 81.6 | 62.5 | 64.3 | 44.9 | 73.6 |
| 1919 | 45.8 | 79.0 | 61.5 | 61.1 | 43.5 | 71.2 |
| 1920 | 46.2 | 80.0 | 62.1 | 59.9 | 43.9 | 72.2 |
| 1921 | 44.0 | 72.1 | 55.9 | 53.9 | 41.8 | 65.1 |
| 1922 | 44.8 | 77.5 | 60.9 | 58.6 | 42.5 | 69.8 |
| 1923 | 45.4 | 83.6 | 66.1 | 63.5 | 43.1 | 75.2 |
| 1924 | 45.2 | 81.7 | 65.1 | 62.6 | 42.8 | 73.6 |
| 1925 | 45.5 | 84.6 | 68.3 | 65.3 | 43.2 | 76.2 |
| 1926 | 45.7 | 87.6 | 70.3 | 67.6 | 43.3 | 78.8 |
| 1927 | 45.4 | 87.1 | 69.9 | 67.2 | 43.0 | 78.2 |
| 1928 | 45.4 | 87.8 | 70.3 | 67.6 | 43.0 | 79.0 |
| 1929 | 45.2 | 89.6 | 71.6 | 68.8 | 42.7 | 80.4 |
| 1930 | 44.2 | 83.4 | 67.0 | 64.4 | 41.9 | 75.0 |
| 1931 | 43.5 | 76.5 | 61.8 | 59.4 | 41.3 | 69.0 |
| 1932 | 42.0 | 67.8 | 55.3 | 53.2 | 40.0 | 61.3 |
| 1933 | 41.7 | 67.0 | 56.9 | 54.7 | 39.8 | 60.7 |
| 1934 | 42.2 | 72.0 | 61.6 | 59.3 | 40.1 | 64.9 |
| 1935 | 43.1 | 75.9 | 65.1 | 62.6 | 40.9 | 68.4 |
| 1936 | 44.2 | 81.6 | 70.9 | 68.2 | 41.9 | 73.4 |
| 1937 | 45.1 | 86.7 | 73.6 | 70.8 | 42.7 | 78.0 |
| 1938 | 43.6 | 79.2 | 69.4 | 66.8 | 41.4 | 71.3 |
| 1939 | 44.3 | 83.3 | 72.3 | 69.6 | 42.0 | 74.9 |
| 1940 | 44.4 | 87.3 | 74.5 | 71.9 | 42.0 | 78.4 |
| 1941 | 45.0 | 94.7 | 78.6 | 77.5 | 42.4 | 84.8 |
| 1942 | 46.1 | 102.1 | 83.8 | 85.9 | 43.4 | 91.3 |
| 1943 | 47.2 | 105.8 | 85.7 | 95.4 | 44.4 | 94.6 |
| 1944 | 47.6 | 104.4 | 85.5 | 98.9 | 44.8 | 93.3 |
| 1945 | 46.3 | 98.7 | 81.3 | 94.6 | 43.5 | 88.2 |
| 1946 | 44.0 | 99.7 | 81.0 | 82.2 | 41.3 | 88.8 |
| 1947 | 43.0 | 101.8 | 81.7 | 80.2 | 40.3 | 90.5 |
| 1948 | 42.5 | 102.6 | 82.6 | 80.9 | 40.0 | 91.1 |
| 1949 | 42.3 | 98.8 | 81.2 | 79.8 | 39.4 | 88.1 |
| 1950 | 41.9 | 100.5 | 82.2 | 80.8 | 39.8 | 89.1 |
| 1951 | 41.7 | 104.0 | 83.2 | 83.7 | 39.9 | 91.7 |
| 1952 | 41.7 | 104.7 | 83.6 | 84.7 | 39.9 | 91.8 |
| 1953 | 41.2 | 104.9 | 83.9 | 84.8 | 39.6 | 92.8 |
| 1954 | 40.8 | 100.6 | 81.6 | 82.4 | 39.1 | 89.7 |
| 1955 | 41.2 | 104.1 | 85.3 | 85.5 | 39.6 | 93.1 |

TABLE 8 (Continued)

| Year | AHW | THWP | THWC | THWT | AHPN | THP |
|------|------|-------|-------|-------|------|-------|
| 1956 | 41.0 | 105.6 | 87.1 | 86.9 | 39.3 | 94.5 |
| 1957 | 40.4 | 104.2 | 86.1 | 85.9 | 38.8 | 93.1 |
| 1958 | 40.0 | 100.0 | 83.9 | 83.5 | 38.5 | 88.9 |
| 1959 | 40.4 | 103.3 | 86.9 | 86.3 | 39.0 | 92.4 |
| 1960 | 40.5 | 104.5 | 88.7 | 88.0 | 38.6 | 92.6 |
| 1961 | 40.2 | 102.8 | 88.0 | 87.3 | 38.6 | 91.2 |
| 1962 | 40.3 | 104.8 | 89.5 | 89.1 | 38.7 | 92.7 |
| 1963 | 40.3 | 105.6 | 90.9 | 90.4 | 38.8 | 93.2 |
| 1964 | 40.3 | 107.7 | 93.0 | 92.3 | 38.7 | 94.8 |
| 1965 | 40.5 | 111.1 | 95.8 | 95.1 | 38.8 | 97.8 |
| 1966 | 40.4 | 113.9 | 98.0 | 97.7 | 38.6 | 100.0 |
| 1967 | 40.4 | 115.7 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 38.0 | 100.0 |
| 1968 | 40.1 | 117.4 | 101.3 | 101.3 | 37.8 | 101.7 |
| 1969 | 39.9 | 120.2 | 103.5 | 103.3 | 37.7 | 104.4 |
| 1970 | 39.1 | 117.7 | 102.3 | 101.8 | 37.1 | 102.6 |
| 1971 | 39.3 | 118.2 | 103.5 | 102.4 | 36.9 | 102.0 |
| 1972 | 39.4 | 121.8 | 107.1 | 105.5 | 37.0 | 105.1 |
| 1973 | 39.3 | 126.6 | 110.4 | 108.4 | 36.9 | 109.2 |
| 1974 | 39.0 | 127.4 | 111.5 | 109.4 | 36.5 | 109.6 |
| 1975 | 38.7 | 122.6 | 109.2 | 107.0 | 36.1 | 105.1 |
| 1976 | 38.7 | 126.2 | 112.7 | 110.3 | 36.1 | 108.2 |
| 1977 | 38.8 | 132.1 | 116.9 | 114.4 | 36.0 | 112.6 |
| 1978 | 39.0 | 140.0 | 122.5 | 119.7 | 35.8 | 118.1 |
| 1979 | 38.9 | 145.1 | 125.5 | 122.5 | 35.6 | 122.0 |
| 1980 | 38.5 | . | 124.6 | 121.7 | 35.3 | . |

Sources: THP only

- 1947-1979: Index (1967 = 100) of hours of all persons in private business sector [primarily BLS establishment data] from Economic Report of the President, 1981, Table B-38, p. 276.
- 1934-1946: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis (1973), Series A69 [BLS establishment data], pp. 192-193, linked by 1947 ratio splice.
- 1909-1933: Same series as for 1934-1946 adjusted for change in reporting as described in note a below.
- 1889-1908: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis (1973), Series A68 [NBER, Kendrick], pp. 192-193 linked by 1909 ratio splice.^b

AHW only

- 1971-1980: "Average hours, total at work, all industries" [Current Population Survey data] from Employment and Earnings, January issues, 1972-1981, in tables titled "Persons at work by hours of work and industry" or like in section of "Household Data, Annual Averages."
- 1965-1970: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis (1973), Series B6 [BLS Current Population Survey data], pp. 212-213.
- 1934-1964: Average weekly hours worked in the civilian economy from U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis (1973), Series B5 [NBER, Kendrick], pp. 212-213, linked by 1965 ratio splice.
- 1889-1933: Same series as for 1934-1964 adjusted for change in reporting as described in note a below.

AHPN only

- 1947-1980: Average weekly hours paid for in private nonagricultural establishments, production and nonsupervisory workers [BLS establishment data] from Economic Report of the President, 1981, Table B-36, p. 274.

TABLE 8 (Continued)

Sources:

- 1909-1946: Calculated as AHW times the ratio of Series A69 to Series A68 from U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis (1973), pp. 192-193, and linked by 1947 ratio splice. These series are described under THP above and THWP below, respectively.
- 1889-1908: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis (1973), Series B5 [NBER, Kendrick], pp. 212-213, linked by 1909 ratio splice.^b

THWP only

- 1934-1965: Index (1958 = 100) of total private man hours from U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis (1973), Series A68 [NBER, Kendrick], pp. 192-193.
- 1889-1933: Same series as for 1934-1965 adjusted for change in reporting as described in note a below.
- 1966-1979: Calculated as (THP • AHW)/AHPN, described above, and linked by a 1965 ratio splice.^c

THWC only

- 1890-1980: Index (1967 = 100) calculated as AHW • CE/30046.288 where CE is civilian employment from Table 4.

THWT only

- 1890-1980: Index (1967 = 100) calculated as AHW • TE/31438.472 where TE is total employment from Table 3.

Notes: a. As shown in Darby (1976, pp. 9-11), the introduction of the N.I.R.A. and minimum wage laws in 1934 induced a major change in reporting practices so that pre-1934 hours data is not comparable to post-1933 data. An adjustment for the reporting change is made in each series by multiplying the pre-1934 data by 0.9158726 (i.e., by allowing for an 8.4% downshift in reported hours in 1934 and thereafter). The adjustment factor is based on the regression:

$$\Delta \log AWH = -0.00216 - 0.00051 t + 0.1967 \Delta \log (RGNP) \\ (0.007635)(0.001051) \quad (0.044956) \\ -0.2830 \quad -0.4896 \quad 4.3755$$

$$+ 0.0037 \Delta \log (RGNP_{-1}) - 0.087878 D34 \\ (0.042749) \quad (0.012370) \\ 0.0867 \quad -7.1041$$

$$R^2 = 0.8998, S.E.E. = 0.01114, D-W = 2.0743, \text{ period} = 1929 \text{ to } 1941$$

where AWH is the unadjusted Kendrick series used for AHW, t is a time index, RGNP is real gross national product in 1958 dollars, and D34 is a dummy variable equal to 1 in 1934 and 0 otherwise. The coefficient -0.087878 of D34 is very significant and reasonably precisely estimated; the shift in reporting is computed as $e^{-0.087878} = 0.9158726$.

- b. The Kendrick data are for hours worked, but he (1961, p. 261) reports that the difference from hours paid for is not important until about 1940. In fact from 1909-1939, the Kendrick index for total hours increased by a total of 7.207% versus 6.831% for the BLS index, a difference of only 0.01% per annum.
- c. To extend the (1958 = 100) index of total hours worked in the private economy, extend AHW, AHPN, and THP from the published sources and use the formula $THWP = \frac{AHW}{AHPN} \cdot THP \cdot 1.0883082$.

TABLE 9
Output and Productivity Measures

| Year | Real GNP | | Productivity Measures (1967 = 100) | | | |
|------|----------|---------|------------------------------------|----------|-----------------|---------|
| | Total | Private | Total Economy | | Private Economy | |
| | GNP | GPP | GNP/THWT | GNP/THWC | GPP/THWT | GPP/THP |
| 1839 | 74.5 | 66.0 | . | . | 18.9 | 18.1 |
| 1890 | 80.0 | 71.2 | 22.1 | 21.2 | 19.6 | 18.8 |
| 1891 | 83.6 | 74.4 | 22.9 | 21.9 | 20.0 | 19.2 |
| 1892 | 91.7 | 81.7 | 23.8 | 22.8 | 21.3 | 20.4 |
| 1893 | 87.3 | 77.6 | 24.5 | 23.5 | 20.4 | 19.6 |
| 1894 | 84.8 | 75.1 | 25.6 | 24.5 | 20.5 | 19.7 |
| 1895 | 95.0 | 84.5 | 26.2 | 25.1 | 21.7 | 20.8 |
| 1896 | 93.0 | 82.6 | 25.5 | 24.4 | 21.2 | 20.3 |
| 1897 | 101.8 | 90.8 | 27.3 | 26.1 | 22.7 | 21.7 |
| 1898 | 104.1 | 92.3 | 26.7 | 25.7 | 22.9 | 21.9 |
| 1899 | 113.5 | 101.0 | 26.5 | 25.4 | 23.4 | 22.4 |
| 1900 | 116.7 | 103.7 | 26.4 | 25.3 | 23.7 | 22.7 |
| 1901 | 130.1 | 115.8 | 28.3 | 27.1 | 25.4 | 24.3 |
| 1902 | 131.3 | 116.9 | 27.7 | 26.6 | 24.5 | 23.5 |
| 1903 | 137.8 | 122.7 | 28.4 | 27.2 | 25.1 | 24.0 |
| 1904 | 136.1 | 121.0 | 28.1 | 27.0 | 25.1 | 24.0 |
| 1905 | 146.2 | 130.0 | 29.0 | 27.8 | 25.7 | 24.6 |
| 1906 | 163.2 | 145.4 | 30.6 | 29.4 | 27.6 | 26.4 |
| 1907 | 165.7 | 147.6 | 30.6 | 29.3 | 27.4 | 26.2 |
| 1908 | 152.1 | 134.7 | 29.5 | 28.3 | 26.2 | 25.1 |
| 1909 | 177.3 | 151.6 | 32.6 | 31.3 | 27.9 | 26.7 |
| 1910 | 192.3 | 153.0 | 32.8 | 31.5 | 27.4 | 26.3 |
| 1911 | 197.0 | 158.0 | 33.1 | 31.8 | 27.8 | 26.6 |
| 1912 | 197.6 | 165.5 | 33.8 | 32.4 | 28.3 | 27.1 |
| 1913 | 199.4 | 172.1 | 33.5 | 32.2 | 29.1 | 28.0 |
| 1914 | 190.6 | 158.0 | 32.9 | 31.6 | 27.3 | 26.1 |
| 1915 | 189.0 | 162.3 | 33.0 | 31.7 | 28.3 | 27.1 |
| 1916 | 203.8 | 185.7 | 33.8 | 32.4 | 30.2 | 29.0 |
| 1917 | 215.2 | 178.4 | 33.3 | 32.4 | 28.4 | 27.2 |
| 1918 | 230.4 | 185.8 | 35.5 | 36.4 | 29.8 | 28.6 |
| 1919 | 222.2 | 193.4 | 36.0 | 35.7 | 32.0 | 30.7 |
| 1920 | 212.5 | 195.2 | 35.1 | 33.8 | 31.9 | 30.6 |
| 1921 | 194.0 | 190.7 | 35.6 | 34.3 | 34.6 | 33.2 |
| 1922 | 224.6 | 201.9 | 37.9 | 36.5 | 34.1 | 32.7 |
| 1923 | 251.8 | 229.8 | 39.2 | 37.7 | 36.0 | 34.6 |
| 1924 | 251.2 | 236.6 | 39.6 | 38.1 | 37.9 | 36.4 |
| 1925 | 272.3 | 242.1 | 41.2 | 39.4 | 37.5 | 36.0 |
| 1926 | 288.4 | 258.3 | 42.2 | 40.6 | 39.6 | 37.1 |
| 1927 | 289.2 | 260.5 | 42.4 | 40.8 | 39.2 | 37.7 |
| 1928 | 289.7 | 263.4 | 42.4 | 40.7 | 39.3 | 37.8 |
| 1929 | 309.0 | 279.7 | 44.4 | 42.7 | 40.9 | 39.4 |
| 1930 | 278.5 | 249.2 | 42.8 | 41.1 | 39.1 | 37.6 |
| 1931 | 257.0 | 228.3 | 42.8 | 41.1 | 39.1 | 37.4 |
| 1932 | 218.9 | 191.9 | 40.7 | 39.2 | 37.1 | 35.4 |
| 1933 | 214.8 | 186.8 | 38.8 | 37.3 | 36.5 | 34.8 |
| 1934 | 234.2 | 202.6 | 39.1 | 37.6 | 36.8 | 35.3 |
| 1935 | 257.3 | 223.3 | 40.6 | 39.1 | 38.5 | 36.9 |
| 1936 | 292.9 | 253.6 | 42.5 | 40.8 | 40.7 | 39.1 |
| 1937 | 308.4 | 270.0 | 43.1 | 41.4 | 40.8 | 39.2 |
| 1938 | 292.8 | 252.9 | 43.3 | 41.7 | 41.8 | 40.1 |
| 1939 | 317.8 | 276.5 | 45.1 | 43.4 | 43.5 | 41.8 |
| 1940 | 344.8 | 301.2 | 47.4 | 45.8 | 45.2 | 43.5 |
| 1941 | 400.2 | 346.7 | 51.1 | 50.3 | 47.9 | 46.3 |
| 1942 | 452.0 | 377.0 | 52.0 | 53.3 | 48.3 | 46.7 |
| 1943 | 511.6 | 399.7 | 53.0 | 59.1 | 49.5 | 47.8 |
| 1944 | 548.4 | 420.4 | 54.8 | 63.4 | 52.7 | 51.0 |
| 1945 | 539.1 | 413.9 | 56.4 | 65.5 | 54.9 | 53.1 |
| 1946 | 474.4 | 403.1 | 57.0 | 57.9 | 52.9 | 51.4 |
| 1947 | 470.3 | 412.3 | 58.0 | 56.9 | 53.0 | 51.6 |
| 1948 | 489.6 | 431.5 | 59.8 | 58.6 | 55.1 | 53.6 |
| 1949 | 492.1 | 429.8 | 61.0 | 59.9 | 57.0 | 55.2 |
| 1950 | 534.8 | 470.0 | 65.5 | 64.3 | 61.2 | 59.7 |
| 1951 | 579.3 | 500.4 | 68.5 | 68.8 | 63.0 | 61.7 |
| 1952 | 600.8 | 515.3 | 70.1 | 71.0 | 64.4 | 63.5 |
| 1953 | 623.5 | 538.5 | 72.7 | 73.5 | 67.2 | 65.7 |
| 1954 | 616.0 | 531.8 | 73.9 | 74.6 | 69.2 | 67.1 |
| 1955 | 657.5 | 572.9 | 76.0 | 76.2 | 72.1 | 69.6 |

TABLE 9 (Continued)

| Year | GNP | GPP | GNP/THWT | GNP/THWC | GPP/THWP | GPP/THP |
|------|--------|--------|----------|----------|----------|---------|
| 1950 | 671.5 | 584.8 | 76.4 | 76.3 | 72.5 | 73.7 |
| 1957 | 683.8 | 594.7 | 78.7 | 78.5 | 74.7 | 72.3 |
| 1958 | 683.9 | 590.6 | 80.6 | 80.2 | 77.3 | 75.2 |
| 1959 | 721.7 | 629.5 | 82.7 | 82.1 | 79.8 | 77.1 |
| 1960 | 737.2 | 641.9 | 82.9 | 82.2 | 80.4 | 78.4 |
| 1961 | 756.6 | 657.8 | 85.6 | 85.1 | 83.8 | 81.6 |
| 1962 | 803.3 | 697.8 | 88.8 | 86.5 | 87.2 | 85.2 |
| 1963 | 832.5 | 727.3 | 91.1 | 90.6 | 90.2 | 88.3 |
| 1964 | 876.4 | 767.5 | 93.8 | 93.2 | 93.3 | 91.6 |
| 1965 | 929.3 | 816.6 | 96.6 | 95.9 | 96.2 | 94.5 |
| 1966 | 984.8 | 864.0 | 99.7 | 99.3 | 99.3 | 97.8 |
| 1967 | 1011.4 | 883.7 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| 1968 | 1058.1 | 925.6 | 103.2 | 103.3 | 103.2 | 103.0 |
| 1969 | 1087.6 | 952.0 | 104.1 | 104.0 | 103.7 | 103.2 |
| 1970 | 1085.6 | 949.5 | 105.5 | 104.9 | 105.6 | 104.7 |
| 1971 | 1122.4 | 985.7 | 108.3 | 107.2 | 109.2 | 109.4 |
| 1972 | 1185.9 | 1048.1 | 111.2 | 109.4 | 112.7 | 112.8 |
| 1973 | 1255.0 | 1115.9 | 114.4 | 112.4 | 115.4 | 115.6 |
| 1974 | 1248.0 | 1105.6 | 112.8 | 110.6 | 113.6 | 114.2 |
| 1975 | 1233.8 | 1089.0 | 114.0 | 111.7 | 116.3 | 117.2 |
| 1976 | 1330.4 | 1154.1 | 116.5 | 114.1 | 119.7 | 120.7 |
| 1977 | 1371.6 | 1223.3 | 118.6 | 116.0 | 121.3 | 122.9 |
| 1978 | 1436.9 | 1285.0 | 118.7 | 116.0 | 120.2 | 123.1 |
| 1979 | 1483.0 | 1329.1 | 119.7 | 116.8 | 120.0 | 123.3 |
| 1980 | 1480.7 | 1325.4 | 120.3 | 117.5 | . | . |

Sources: GNP only

1947-1980: Gross National product in billions of 1972 dollars, Series GNP72 from Citibank Economic Database.

1889-1946: Bureau of the Census (1975), Series F3 [GNP in billions of 1958 dollars] linked by 1947 ratio splice.

GPP only

1947-1980: Gross private product in billions of 1972 dollars, Series GP72 from Citibank Economic Database.

1929-1946: Bureau of the Census (1975), Series F40 [GPP in billions of 1958 dollars], linked by 1947 ratio splice.

1889-1928: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis (1973), Series A13 [Gross private domestic product in billions of 1958 dollars -- NBER, Kendrick], linked by 1929 ratio splice.

Other Series

1889-1980: Ratio of indicated series from this table and Table 8 all divided by 0.01 * (1967 value) to obtain index with 1967 = 100 [divisors used are 0.101137 for GNP/THWT, 0.101137 for GNP/THWC, 0.0763757 for GPP/THWP, and 0.088370 for GPP/THP].

TABLE 10
Average Annual Growth Rates for Labor Force and Employment
1900-1978

| Period | Labor Force | | Employment | | |
|-----------|--------------|-----------------|-------------|----------------|---------------|
| | Total TLF | Civilian CLF | Total TE | Civilian CE | Private PE |
| 1900-1978 | 1.60% | 1.58% | 1.59% | 1.57% | 1.39% |
| 1900-1929 | 1.80% | 1.80% | 1.86% | 1.86% | 1.77% |
| 1900-1916 | 2.16% | 2.15% | 2.15% | 2.15% | 2.09% |
| 1916-1929 | 1.34% | 1.35% | 1.51% | 1.50% | 1.38% |
| 1929-1965 | 1.24% | 1.15% | 1.20% | 1.11% | 0.87% |
| 1929-1948 | 1.20% | 1.10% | 1.17% | 1.07% | 0.88% |
| 1948-1965 | 1.28% | 1.21% | 1.24% | 1.16% | 0.86% |
| 1965-1978 | 2.19% | 2.30% | 2.06% | 2.18% | 1.96% |
| 1965-1973 | 2.06% | 2.19% | 2.02% | 2.15% | 1.84% |
| 1973-1978 | 2.38% | 2.48% | 2.13% | 2.23% | 2.15% |

Units: Continuously compounded rates in percent per annum computed from the first to the last year of the period.

TABLE 11
Average Annual Growth Rates of Average Hours
1900-1978

| Period | Average Hours | | |
|-----------|-----------------------------|---|--|
| | Civilian (Worked) AHP | Private (Paid For) ^a AHP | Private-Nonsupervisory (Paid For) AHPN |
| 1900-1978 | -0.30% | -0.33% | -0.35% |
| 1900-1929 | -0.30% | -0.25% | -0.32% |
| 1900-1916 | -0.21% | +0.02% | -0.23% |
| 1916-1929 | -0.41% | -0.58% | -0.44% |
| 1929-1965 | -0.30% | -0.32% | -0.27% |
| 1929-1948 | -0.32% | -0.22% | -0.34% |
| 1948-1965 | -0.29% | -0.44% | -0.18% |
| 1965-1978 | -0.29% | -0.51% | -0.62% |
| 1965-1973 | -0.38% | -0.46% | -0.63% |
| 1973-1978 | -0.15% | -0.58% | -0.61% |

Units: Continuously compounded rates in percent per annum computed from the first to the last year of the period.

Note: a. Computed as the difference in the growth rates of total private hours paid for and private employment.

TABLE 12

Average Annual Growth Rates of Total Hours and Product
1900-1978

| Period | Total Hours | | | Gross Product | | |
|-----------|------------------------|--|--------------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------|-----------------|
| | Private Paid THP | Private Worked ^a THWP | Total ^b Worked THWT | Civilian Worked THWC | Private GPP | National GNP |
| 1900-1978 | 1.06% | 1.15% | 1.29% | 1.27% | 3.23% | 3.22% |
| 1900-1929 | 1.52% | 1.54% | 1.56% | 1.55% | 3.42% | 3.36% |
| 1900-1916 | 2.11% | 2.14% | 1.94% | 1.94% | 3.64% | 3.48% |
| 1916-1929 | 0.80% | 0.81% | 1.09% | 1.08% | 3.15% | 3.20% |
| 1929-1965 | 0.55% | 0.60% | 0.90% | 0.81% | 2.98% | 3.06% |
| 1929-1948 | 0.66% | 0.71% | 0.85% | 0.75% | 2.28% | 2.42% |
| 1948-1965 | 0.42% | 0.47% | 0.95% | 0.88% | 3.75% | 3.77% |
| 1965-1978 | 1.45% | 1.78% | 1.77% | 1.89% | 3.49% | 3.35% |
| 1965-1973 | 1.38% | 1.63% | 1.64% | 1.77% | 3.90% | 3.76% |
| 1973-1978 | 1.57% | 2.02% | 1.98% | 2.08% | 2.82% | 2.71% |

Units: Continuously compounded rates in percent per annum computed from the first to the last year of the period.

Notes: a. This series is an index based on the average hours worked (AHW) in the civilian economy and private employment.

b. This series is an index based on the average hours worked (AHW) in the civilian economy and total employment.

TABLE 13
Average Annual Growth Rates of Productivity Measures
1900-1978

| Period | Private Product Measures | | | GNP Measures | |
|-----------|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|--|
| | Private Hours Paid GPP/THP | Private Hours Worked GPP/THWP | Total Hours GNP 'THWT | Civilian Hours GNP/THWC | |
| 1900-1978 | 2.17% | 2.08% | 1.93% | 1.95% | |
| 1900-1929 | 1.90% | 1.88% | 1.80% | 1.80% | |
| 1900-1916 | 1.53% | 1.51% | 1.54% | 1.55% | |
| 1916-1929 | 2.36% | 2.33% | 2.10% | 2.12% | |
| 1929-1965 | 2.43% | 2.38% | 2.16% | 2.25% | |
| 1929-1948 | 1.62% | 1.57% | 1.57% | 1.67% | |
| 1948-1965 | 3.33% | 3.28% | 2.82% | 2.89% | |
| 1965-1978 | 2.04% | 1.71% | 1.58% | 1.46% | |
| 1965-1973 | 2.53% | 2.27% | 2.11% | 1.98% | |
| 1973-1978 | 1.26% | 0.80% | 0.73% | 0.63% | |

Units: Continuously compounded rates in percent per annum computed from the first to the last year of the period.