



**DFW
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Summary

DFW recorded a **net gain of 27,200 jobs** in June, bringing the region **53,000 jobs short of February 2020** pre-pandemic employment. **Employment** was essentially unchanged in most sectors, with another steady rise in the leisure & hospitality sector. The **leisure & hospitality** sector was **18%** above June 2020 employment locally and **21%** above June 2020 employment nationwide. Local **mining, quarrying, and oil & gas** employment was **2% lower** than in June 2020, and **construction** employment was **1% lower**.

Unemployment rates increased across the board in DFW, Texas, and nationwide to **6.0%**, **6.6%** and **6.1%**, respectively.

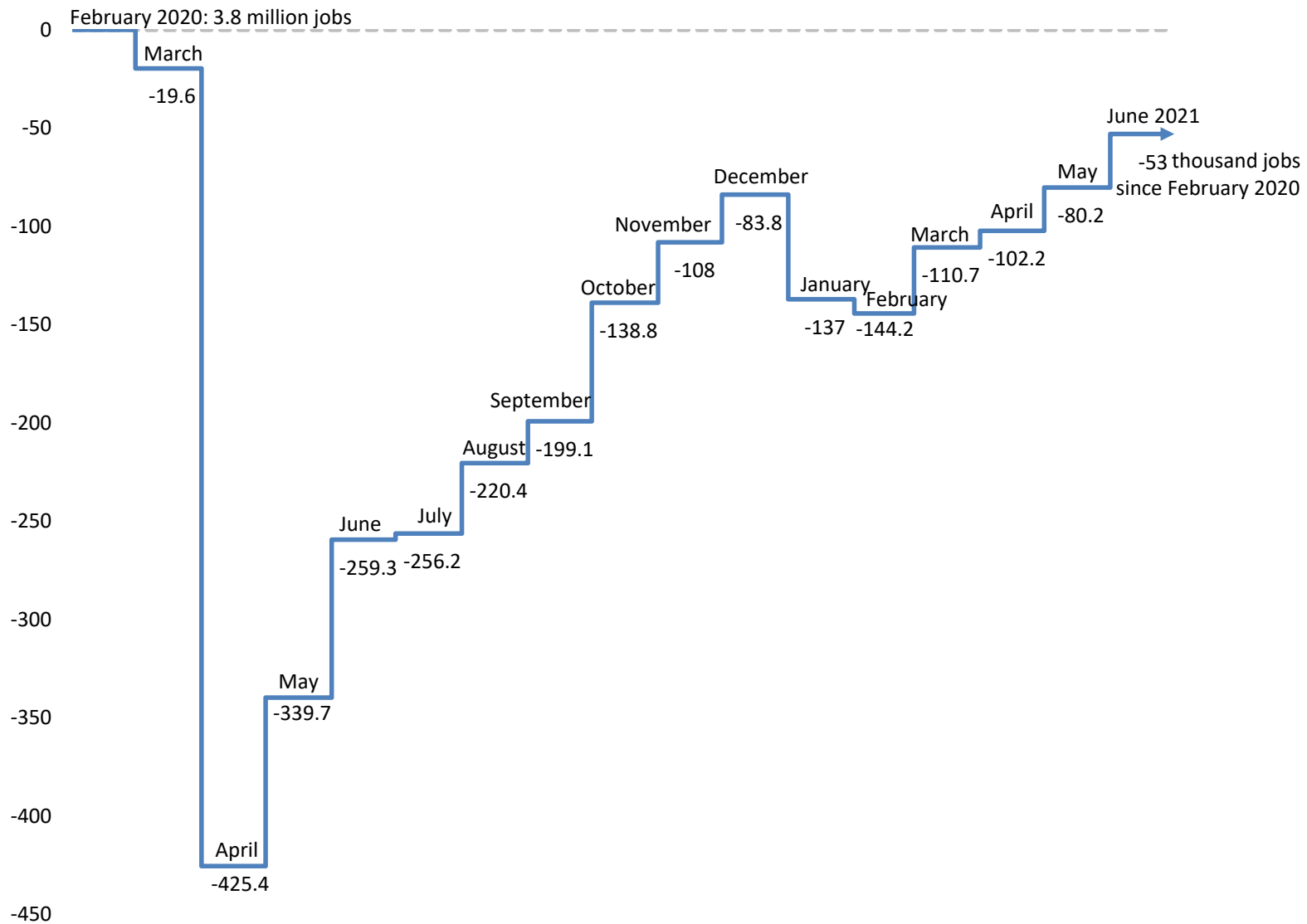
Job postings in the DFW area decreased by 1,057, virtually unchanged, between May and June 2021, though this is **35% higher than in June 2020**. The top three positions posted were once again **software developers, registered nurses, and heavy truck drivers**. DFW experienced a **decrease in job postings** for **heavy truck drivers, retail salespersons, supervisors of retail salespersons, customer service representatives, and stockers/order fillers** between May and June 2021.

See the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas' [Texas Employment Forecast](#) and [DFW Economic Indicators](#) for deeper analysis of these dynamics.



DFW Cumulative Job Change Since Before the Pandemic

Cumulative change in jobs since February 2020 (thousands)



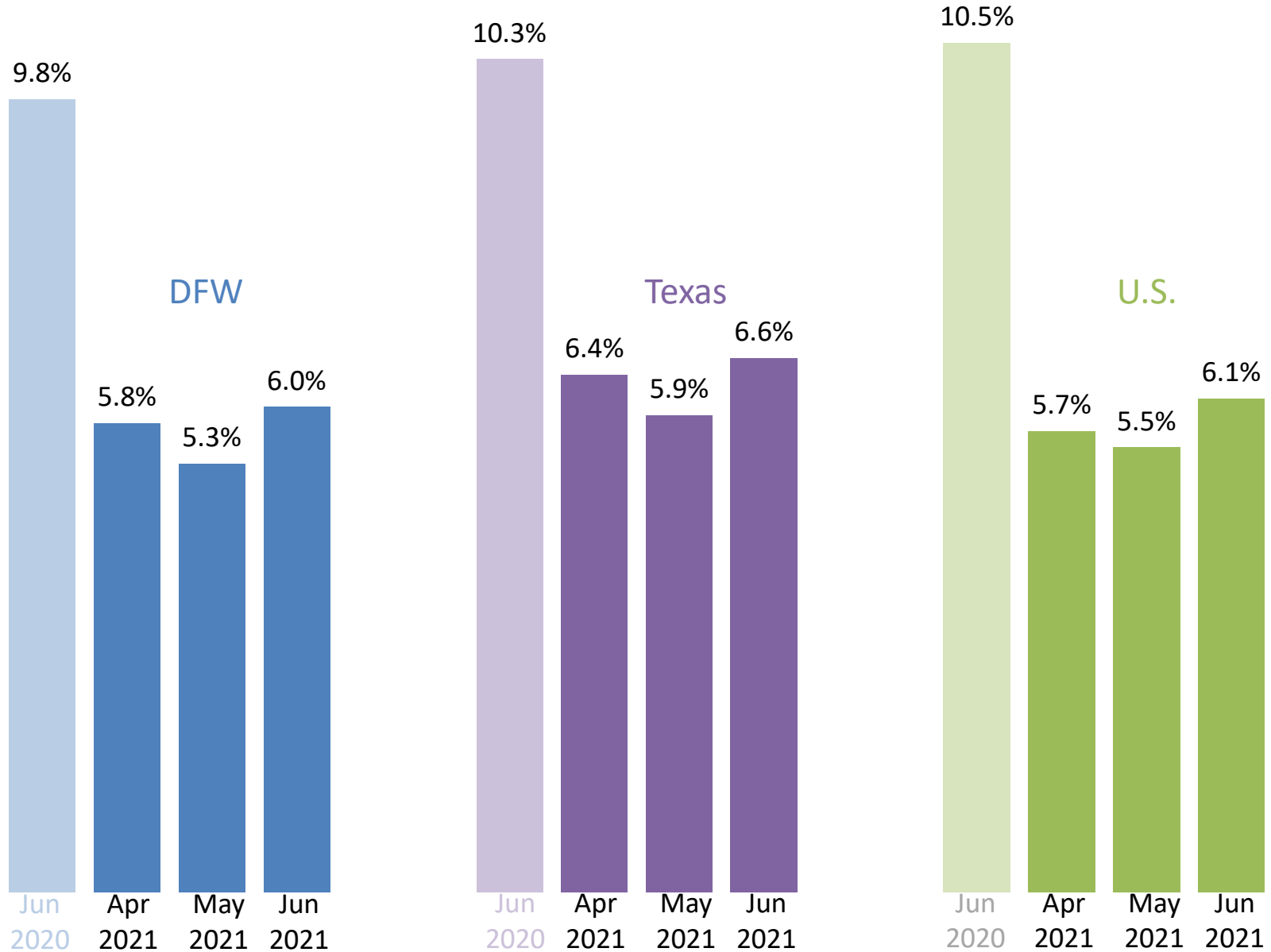
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Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics State and Area Employment, Hours, and Earnings, August 2021.



Unemployment Rates* in DFW, Texas, and U.S.



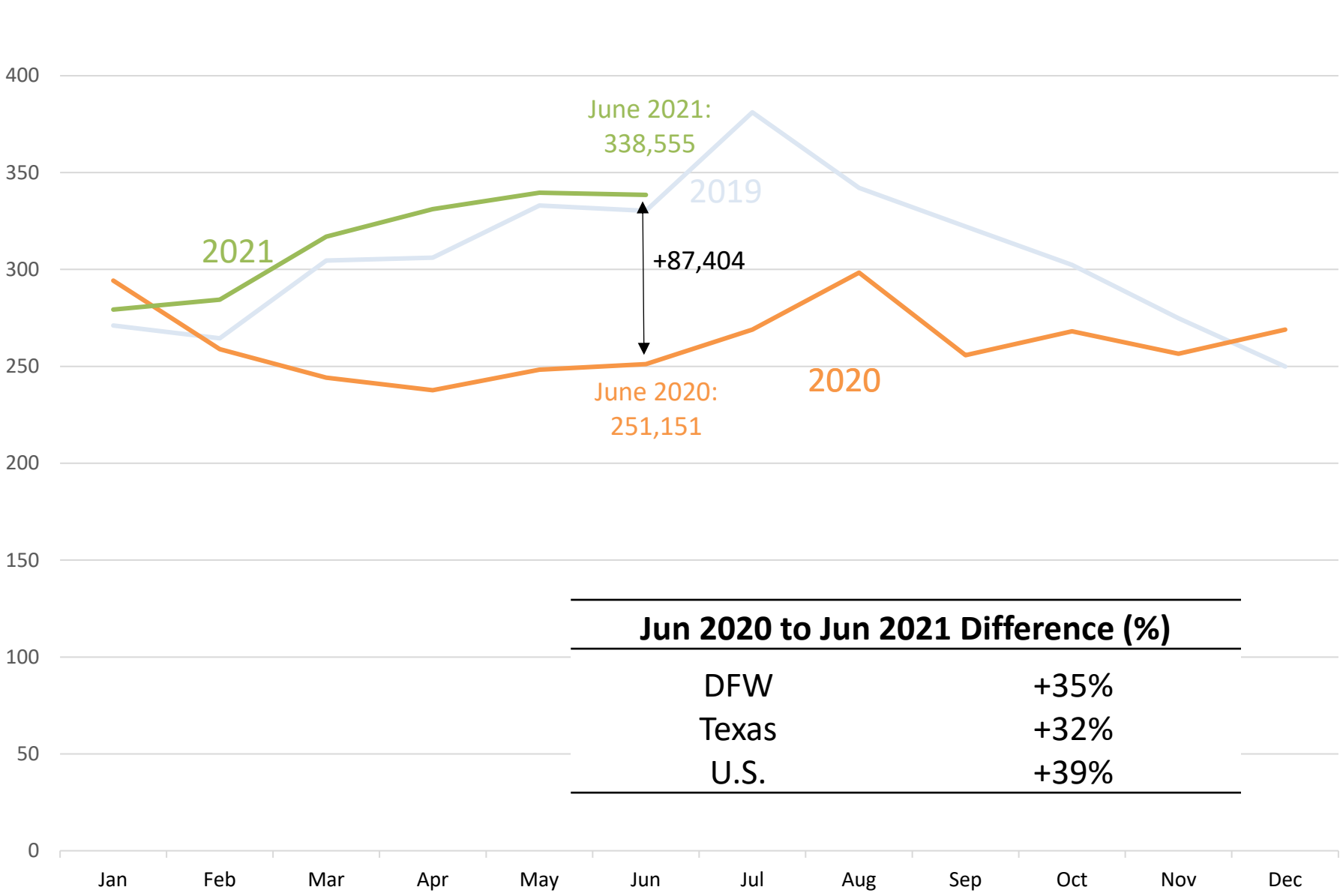
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DFW Total Job Postings: 2021 vs. 2020

Job postings, thousands



Jun 2020 to Jun 2021 Difference (%)

DFW	+35%
Texas	+32%
U.S.	+39%



Top Occupations by Job Postings in DFW

	Occupation	Median Annual Earnings	Median Advertised Salary	Median Posting Duration	June 2021 Unique Job Postings	June 2020 Unique Job Postings	Change, Jun. 2020 to Jun. 2021 (%)
1	Software developers and software quality assurance analysts and testers	\$110,114	\$114,944	29	18,910	11,506	64%
2	Registered nurses	\$76,915	\$90,880	28	15,668	8,198	91%
3	Heavy and tractor-trailer truck drivers	\$48,613	\$66,432	20	13,257	13,438	-1%
4	Computer occupations, all other	\$97,047	\$107,392	31	10,689	6,352	68%
5	Retail salespersons	\$25,731	\$31,168	35	8,305	6,467	28%
6	First-line supervisors of retail sales workers	\$42,582	\$34,176	39	8,014	7,097	13%
7	Customer service representatives	\$37,210	\$33,408	31	7,843	5,632	39%
8	Stockers and order fillers	\$30,326	\$31,104	31	5,723	3,856	48%
9	Marketing managers	\$146,858	\$104,192	33	5,709	2,987	91%
10	Accountants and auditors	\$78,307	\$75,008	33	5,156	3,660	41%
	All occupations	-	-	-	338,555	251,151	35%



Top Occupations by Job Postings in DFW

	Occupation	April 2021 Unique Job Postings	May 2021 Unique Job Postings	June 2021 Unique Job Postings	Change, May. 2021 to Jun. 2021 (%)
1	Software developers and software quality assurance analysts and testers	16,109	17,619	18,910	7%
2	Registered nurses	13,863	14,621	15,668	7%
3	Heavy and tractor-trailer truck drivers	15,334	14,169	13,257	-6%
4	Computer occupations, all other	9,283	10,054	10,689	6%
5	Retail salespersons	8,611	8,523	8,305	-3%
6	First-line supervisors of retail sales workers	8,559	8,737	8,014	-8%
7	Customer service representatives	7,641	8,002	7,843	-2%
8	Stockers and order fillers	6,323	6,139	5,723	-7%
9	Marketing managers	5,385	5,533	5,709	3%
10	Accountants and auditors	4,418	4,751	5,156	9%
	All occupations	331,138	339,612	338,555	0%



DFW Employment by Industry

Industry	June 2020 Employment	April 2021 Employment	May 2021 Employment	June 2021 Employment	Change, Jun. 2020 to Jun. 2021 (%)	Change, May. 2021 to Jun. 2021 (%)
Professional and business services	607,700	647,900	652,100	660,300	9%	1%
Wholesale and retail trade	555,800	577,900	578,800	586,900	6%	1%
Government	429,300	458,300	456,500	448,900	5%	-2%
Education and health services	438,300	450,800	451,800	446,400	2%	-1%
Leisure and hospitality	318,000	352,900	361,400	375,900	18%	4%
Financial activities	322,600	326,500	328,400	330,500	2%	1%
Manufacturing	278,100	279,800	281,300	282,000	1%	0%
Transportation and utilities	224,300	232,700	234,900	237,100	6%	1%
Construction	128,100	126,500	126,100	127,400	-1%	1%
Other services	109,800	115,800	118,900	121,600	11%	2%
Mining, quarrying, and oil and gas extraction	90,700	88,700	89,000	89,000	-2%	0%
Information	76,800	78,800	79,400	79,800	4%	1%
Total nonfarm	3,579,500	3,736,600	3,758,600	3,785,800	6%	1%

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DFW vs. U.S. Employment by Industry

Industry	DFW			U.S.		
	DFW June 2021 Employment	DFW June 2021 Employment Share (%)	DFW Employment Change, Jun. 2020 to Jun. 2021 (%)	U.S. June 2021 Employment	U.S. June 2021 Employment Share (%)	U.S. Employment Change, Jun. 2020 to Jun. 2021 (%)
Professional and business services	660,300	17%	9%	20,946,000	14%	6%
Wholesale and retail trade	586,900	16%	6%	21,015,800	14%	5%
Government	448,900	12%	5%	21,717,000	15%	2%
Education and health services	446,400	12%	2%	23,355,000	16%	4%
Leisure and hospitality	375,900	10%	18%	15,329,000	10%	21%
Financial activities	330,500	9%	2%	8,840,000	6%	2%
Manufacturing	282,000	7%	1%	12,389,000	8%	3%
Transportation and utilities	237,100	6%	6%	6,247,000	4%	7%
Construction	127,400	3%	-1%	7,592,000	5%	3%
Other services	121,600	3%	11%	5,710,000	4%	9%
Mining, quarrying, and oil and gas extraction	89,000	2%	-2%	633,000	0%	5%
Information	79,800	2%	4%	2,743,000	2%	5%
Total nonfarm	3,785,800	100%	6%	146,517,000	100%	6%

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