

CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE DATA FOR MISSOURI AND ITS METROPOLITAN AREAS (WITH U.S. COMPARISON)

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED			CHANGE TO DECEMBER 2017 FROM			NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED			CHANGE TO DECEMBER 2017 FROM		
CURRENT MONTH DECEMBER 2017	PREVIOUS MONTH NOVEMBER 2017	YEAR AGO DECEMBER 2016	PREVIOUS MONTH	YEAR AGO	YEAR AGO %	CURRENT MONTH DECEMBER 2017	PREVIOUS MONTH NOVEMBER 2017	YEAR AGO DECEMBER 2016	PREVIOUS MONTH	YEAR AGO	YEAR AGO %

U.S. (numbers in thousands)

CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE	160,597	160,533	159,736	64	861	0.5	159,880	160,466	158,968	-586	912	0.6
Total Employment	154,021	153,917	152,233	104	1,788	1.2	153,602	154,180	151,798	-578	1,804	1.2
Unemployment	6,576	6,616	7,502	-40	-926	-12.3	6,278	6,286	7,170	-8	-892	-12.4
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.1	4.1	4.7	0.0	-0.6		3.9	3.9	4.5	0.0	-0.6	

Missouri

CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE	3,028,178	3,044,603	3,102,945	-16,425	-74,767	-2.4	2,985,425	3,021,468	3,081,307	-36,043	-95,882	-3.1
Total Employment	2,923,490	2,941,618	2,965,400	-18,128	-41,910	-1.4	2,885,019	2,925,998	2,960,244	-40,979	-75,225	-2.5
Unemployment	104,688	102,985	137,545	1,703	-32,857	-23.9	100,406	95,470	121,063	4,936	-20,657	-17.1
Unemployment Rate (%)	3.5	3.4	4.4	0.1	-0.9		3.4	3.2	3.9	0.2	-0.5	

Cape Girardeau MSA

CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE	44,527	44,808	48,723	-281	-4,196	-8.6	44,534	44,821	48,835	-287	-4,301	-8.8
Total Employment	42,759	43,131	46,436	-372	-3,677	-7.9	42,938	43,319	46,747	-381	-3,809	-8.1
Unemployment	1,768	1,677	2,287	91	-519	-22.7	1,596	1,502	2,088	94	-492	-23.6
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.0	3.7	4.7	0.3	-0.7		3.6	3.4	4.3	0.2	-0.7	

Columbia MSA

CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE	97,646	98,147	99,251	-501	-1,605	-1.6	98,016	99,378	99,871	-1,362	-1,855	-1.9
Total Employment	95,093	95,706	96,081	-613	-988	-1.0	95,825	97,147	97,195	-1,322	-1,370	-1.4
Unemployment	2,553	2,441	3,170	112	-617	-19.5	2,191	2,231	2,676	-40	-485	-18.1
Unemployment Rate (%)	2.6	2.5	3.2	0.1	-0.6		2.2	2.2	2.7	0.0	-0.5	

Jefferson City MSA

CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE	73,205	74,030	76,136	-825	-2,931	-3.8	72,046	73,547	75,254	-1,501	-3,208	-4.3
Total Employment	70,890	71,807	73,421	-917	-2,531	-3.4	70,038	71,611	72,866	-1,573	-2,828	-3.9
Unemployment	2,315	2,223	2,715	92	-400	-14.7	2,008	1,936	2,388	72	-380	-15.9

Unemployment Rate (%)	3.2	3.0	3.6	0.2	-0.4		2.8	2.6	3.2	0.2	-0.4	
<u>Joplin MSA</u>												
CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE	84,569	85,140	85,808	-571	-1,239	-1.4	84,236	85,121	85,824	-885	-1,588	-1.9
Total Employment	81,764	82,456	82,098	-692	-334	-0.4	81,815	82,701	82,526	-886	-711	-0.9
Unemployment	2,805	2,684	3,710	121	-905	-24.4	2,421	2,420	3,298	1	-877	-26.6
Unemployment Rate (%)	3.3	3.2	4.3	0.1	-1.0		2.9	2.8	3.8	0.1	-0.9	
<u>Kansas City MSA</u>												
CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE	1,119,545	1,127,269	1,134,748	-7,724	-15,203	-1.3	1,106,777	1,117,448	1,126,141	-10,671	-19,364	-1.7
Total Employment	1,078,140	1,086,085	1,086,631	-7,945	-8,491	-0.8	1,070,423	1,081,391	1,083,512	-10,968	-13,089	-1.2
Unemployment	41,405	41,184	48,117	221	-6,712	-13.9	36,354	36,057	42,629	297	-6,275	-14.7
Unemployment Rate (%)	3.7	3.7	4.2	0.0	-0.5		3.3	3.2	3.8	0.1	-0.5	
<u>St. Joseph MSA</u>												
CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE	63,503	63,787	66,012	-284	-2,509	-3.8	63,006	63,416	65,807	-410	-2,801	-4.3
Total Employment	61,384	61,702	63,304	-318	-1,920	-3.0	61,141	61,591	63,348	-450	-2,207	-3.5
Unemployment	2,119	2,085	2,708	34	-589	-21.8	1,865	1,825	2,459	40	-594	-24.2
Unemployment Rate (%)	3.3	3.3	4.1	0.0	-0.8		3.0	2.9	3.7	0.1	-0.7	
<u>St. Louis MSA</u>												
CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE	1,445,400	1,455,032	1,479,097	-9,632	-33,697	-2.3	1,436,378	1,451,637	1,467,304	-15,259	-30,926	-2.1
Total Employment	1,391,194	1,402,523	1,415,269	-11,329	-24,075	-1.7	1,387,051	1,402,923	1,408,371	-15,872	-21,320	-1.5
Unemployment	54,206	52,509	63,828	1,697	-9,622	-15.1	49,327	48,714	58,933	613	-9,606	-16.3
Unemployment Rate (%)	3.8	3.6	4.3	0.2	-0.5		3.4	3.4	4.0	0.0	-0.6	
<u>Springfield MSA</u>												
CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE	229,809	230,906	234,465	-1,097	-4,656	-2.0	228,639	229,786	233,914	-1,147	-5,275	-2.3
Total Employment	222,586	223,963	225,364	-1,377	-2,778	-1.2	222,292	223,513	225,796	-1,221	-3,504	-1.6
Unemployment	7,223	6,943	9,101	280	-1,878	-20.6	6,347	6,273	8,118	74	-1,771	-21.8
Unemployment Rate (%)	3.1	3.0	3.9	0.1	-0.8		2.8	2.7	3.5	0.1	-0.7	

MISSOURI CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE DATA

LABOR FORCE			CHANGE TO DECEMBER 2017 FROM		
CURRENT MONTH DECEMBER 2017	PREVIOUS MONTH NOVEMBER 2017	YEAR AGO DECEMBER 2016	PREVIOUS MONTH	YEAR AGO	YEAR AGO %

Seasonally Adjusted

CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE	3,028,178	3,044,603	3,102,945	-16,425	-74,767	-2.4
Total Employment	2,923,490	2,941,618	2,965,400	-18,128	-41,910	-1.4
Unemployment	104,688	102,985	137,545	1,703	-32,857	-23.9
Unemployment Rate (%)	3.5	3.4	4.4	0.1	-0.9	

Not Seasonally Adjusted

CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE	2,985,425	3,021,468	3,081,307	-36,043	-95,882	-3.1
Total Employment	2,885,019	2,925,998	2,960,244	-40,979	-75,225	-2.5
Unemployment	100,406	95,470	121,063	4,936	-20,657	-17.1
Unemployment Rate (%)	3.4	3.2	3.9	0.2	-0.5	

NONFARM PAYROLL EMPLOYMENT IN MISSOURI AND ITS METROPOLITAN AREAS

EMPLOYMENT (JOBS)			CHANGE TO DECEMBER 2017 FROM		
CURRENT MONTH DECEMBER 2017	PREVIOUS MONTH NOVEMBER 2017	YEAR AGO DECEMBER 2016	PREVIOUS MONTH	YEAR AGO	YEAR AGO %

MISSOURI (Seasonally Adjusted)

TOTAL NONFARM	2,894,500	2,896,100	2,871,700	-1,600	22,800	0.8
TOTAL PRIVATE	2,461,200	2,461,500	2,435,800	-300	25,400	1.0
GOODS-PRODUCING	388,300	388,400	389,700	-100	-1,400	-0.4
MINING, LOGGING & CONSTRUCTION	118,600	120,300	127,200	-1,700	-8,600	-6.8
MINING & LOGGING	4,400	4,300	4,200	100	200	4.8
CONSTRUCTION	114,200	116,000	123,000	-1,800	-8,800	-7.2
MANUFACTURING	269,700	268,100	262,500	1,600	7,200	2.7
Durable Goods	164,400	162,500	158,600	1,900	5,800	3.7
Nondurable Goods	105,300	105,600	103,900	-300	1,400	1.3
SERVICE-PROVIDING	2,506,200	2,507,700	2,482,000	-1,500	24,200	1.0
PRIVATE SERVICE-PROVIDING	2,072,900	2,073,100	2,046,100	-200	26,800	1.3
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION & UTILITIES	546,300	548,100	550,500	-1,800	-4,200	-0.8
Wholesale Trade	120,100	120,000	121,100	100	-1,000	-0.8
Retail Trade	317,600	319,600	319,000	-2,000	-1,400	-0.4
Transportation, Warehousing, Utilities	108,600	108,500	110,400	100	-1,800	-1.6
INFORMATION	50,700	50,800	52,600	-100	-1,900	-3.6
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	175,400	174,300	170,200	1,100	5,200	3.1
Real Estate & rental/leasing	36,500	36,900	35,900	-400	600	1.7
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SVCS	398,000	398,500	385,000	-500	13,000	3.4
Professional, Scientific & Technical Svcs	162,000	163,500	155,300	-1,500	6,700	4.3
Management of Companies	66,600	66,200	65,500	400	1,100	1.7
Administrative and Support Services	169,400	168,800	164,200	600	5,200	3.2
EDUCATIONAL & HEALTH SERVICE	467,600	469,400	464,000	-1,800	3,600	0.8
Educational Services	56,400	55,800	57,700	600	-1,300	-2.3
Health Care & Social Assistance	411,200	413,600	406,300	-2,400	4,900	1.2
LEISURE & HOSPITALITY	317,800	314,400	307,100	3,400	10,700	3.5
Arts, Entertainment & Recreation	42,900	42,600	44,600	300	-1,700	-3.8
Accommodation & Food Services	274,900	271,800	262,500	3,100	12,400	4.7
OTHER SERVICES	117,100	117,600	116,700	-500	400	0.3
GOVERNMENT	433,300	434,600	435,900	-1,300	-2,600	-0.6
Federal	54,200	55,500	55,700	-1,300	-1,500	-2.7
State	104,800	104,900	103,300	-100	1,500	1.5
Local	274,300	274,200	276,900	100	-2,600	-0.9



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MISSOURI (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

TOTAL NONFARM	2,909,400	2,919,100	2,881,000	-9,700	28,400	1.0
TOTAL PRIVATE	2,465,800	2,473,700	2,434,700	-7,900	31,100	1.3
GOODS-PRODUCING	388,300	390,200	388,100	-1,900	200	0.1
MINING, LOGGING & CONSTRUCTION	118,400	122,400	125,700	-4,000	-7,300	-5.8
MINING & LOGGING	4,400	4,400	4,200	0	200	4.8
CONSTRUCTION	114,000	118,000	121,500	-4,000	-7,500	-6.2
Construction of Buildings	26,900	27,200	27,000	-300	-100	-0.4
Specialty Trade Contractors	75,900	77,600	80,300	-1,700	-4,400	-5.5
MANUFACTURING	269,900	267,800	262,400	2,100	7,500	2.9
Durable Goods	164,400	162,300	158,700	2,100	5,700	3.6
Fabricated Metal Products Mfg	29,700	29,500	29,200	200	500	1.7
Machinery Manufacturing	26,100	26,000	25,700	100	400	1.6
Computer/Electronic Mfg	10,300	10,200	10,100	100	200	2.0
Electric Equip, Appliance Mfg	10,000	10,000	10,200	0	-200	-2.0
Transportation Equipment Mfg	49,300	48,800	45,600	500	3,700	8.1
Motor Vehicle Manufacturing	16,300	16,400	13,100	-100	3,200	24.4
Furniture/Related Products Mfg	6,700	6,700	6,700	0	0	0.0
Nondurable Goods	105,500	105,500	103,700	0	1,800	1.7
Food Manufacturing	39,400	39,300	39,300	100	100	0.3
SERVICE-PROVIDING	2,521,100	2,528,900	2,492,900	-7,800	28,200	1.1
PRIVATE SERVICE-PROVIDING	2,077,500	2,083,500	2,046,600	-6,000	30,900	1.5
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION & UTILITIES	558,400	558,400	560,600	0	-2,200	-0.4
Wholesale Trade	120,400	120,100	120,500	300	-100	-0.1
Merchant wholslrs durable gds	59,900	60,000	57,900	-100	2,000	3.5
Merchant wholslrs nondur gds	35,900	35,400	36,100	500	-200	-0.6
Wholesale electronic mkts, agents/brokers	24,600	24,700	26,500	-100	-1,900	-7.2
Retail Trade	326,700	327,800	327,200	-1,100	-500	-0.2
Motor vehicle/parts dealers	42,000	42,000	41,800	0	200	0.5
Food & beverage stores	50,700	50,400	50,700	300	0	0.0
Gasoline stations	30,700	30,800	29,300	-100	1,400	4.8
General merchandise stores	71,700	71,700	73,500	0	-1,800	-2.4
Transportation, Warehsng, Utils	111,300	110,500	112,900	800	-1,600	-1.4
Utilities	11,600	11,500	11,700	100	-100	-0.9
Electric power gen/transmsn	7,900	7,900	7,900	0	0	0.0
Transportation & warehousing	99,700	99,000	101,200	700	-1,500	-1.5
Truck transportation	37,900	37,700	38,400	200	-500	-1.3
Warehousing & storage	15,100	15,300	15,300	-200	-200	-1.3

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MISSOURI (Not Seasonally Adjusted) - continued

INFORMATION	50,700	51,200	53,100	-500	-2,400	-4.5
Telecommunications	18,900	18,900	19,400	0	-500	-2.6
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	174,900	174,000	169,700	900	5,200	3.1
Finance & insurance	138,600	137,300	134,000	1,300	4,600	3.4
Credit intermediation & relat	60,500	59,800	58,300	700	2,200	3.8
Insurance carriers & related	58,600	58,400	57,000	200	1,600	2.8
Real Estate & rental/leasing	36,300	36,700	35,700	-400	600	1.7
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SVCS	399,500	401,200	385,200	-1,700	14,300	3.7
Professional/scientific/technl	162,800	163,600	156,000	-800	6,800	4.4
Legal services	21,400	21,300	20,900	100	500	2.4
Accounting/tax prep/bookkeep	21,600	21,400	20,500	200	1,100	5.4
Computer systems design & rel	40,100	40,400	38,800	-300	1,300	3.4
Management of Companies	66,500	66,200	65,000	300	1,500	2.3
Administrative/Support/Waste	170,200	171,400	164,200	-1,200	6,000	3.7
Administrative & supprt svcs	160,700	162,000	156,700	-1,300	4,000	2.6
Employment Services	63,300	64,000	61,400	-700	1,900	3.1
EDUCATIONAL & HEALTH SERVICE	470,300	474,100	465,300	-3,800	5,000	1.1
Educational services	58,300	59,700	58,600	-1,400	-300	-0.5
Colleges/univs/prof schools	30,500	31,400	29,100	-900	1,400	4.8
Health care & social assistnc	412,000	414,400	406,700	-2,400	5,300	1.3
Offices of physicians	43,200	42,700	40,900	500	2,300	5.6
Hospitals	128,100	127,600	127,400	500	700	0.5
Nursing/rsidentl care facils	75,000	74,900	75,300	100	-300	-0.4
Social assistance	92,500	95,700	86,600	-3,200	5,900	6.8
LEISURE & HOSPITALITY	306,600	307,600	296,000	-1,000	10,600	3.6
Arts, entertainment, recreatn	38,700	39,900	39,900	-1,200	-1,200	-3.0
Amusement/gambling/recreat	26,000	27,100	26,600	-1,100	-600	-2.3
Accommodation & food services	267,900	267,700	256,100	200	11,800	4.6
Accommodation	29,700	30,900	29,700	-1,200	0	0.0
Food svcs & drinking places	238,200	236,800	226,400	1,400	11,800	5.2
OTHER SERVICES	117,100	117,000	116,700	100	400	0.3
Repair and maintenance	25,900	26,300	25,900	-400	0	0.0
Personal & laundry services	27,600	26,800	25,300	800	2,300	9.1
GOVERNMENT	443,600	445,400	446,300	-1,800	-2,700	-0.6
FEDERAL	53,900	54,400	55,400	-500	-1,500	-2.7
STATE	107,700	108,000	106,100	-300	1,600	1.5
LOCAL	282,000	283,000	284,800	-1,000	-2,800	-1.0

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CAPE GIRARDEAU MSA (Seasonally Adjusted)

TOTAL NONFARM	41,700	41,800	44,200	-100	-2,500	-5.7
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CAPE GIRARDEAU MSA (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

TOTAL NONFARM	42,400	42,300	44,800	100	-2,400	-5.4
TOTAL PRIVATE	38,300	38,200	38,300	100	0	0.0
GOODS-PRODUCING	6,200	6,200	6,200	0	0	0.0
SERVICE-PROVIDING	36,200	36,100	38,600	100	-2,400	-6.2
PRIVATE SERVICE-PROVIDING	32,100	32,000	32,100	100	0	0.0
GOVERNMENT	4,100	4,100	6,500	0	-2,400	-36.9

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COLUMBIA MSA (Seasonally Adjusted)

TOTAL NONFARM	101,300	101,200	99,300	100	2,000	2.0
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COLUMBIA MSA (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

TOTAL NONFARM	103,400	103,700	101,400	-300	2,000	2.0
TOTAL PRIVATE	73,000	73,200	70,600	-200	2,400	3.4
GOODS-PRODUCING	7,900	7,800	7,400	100	500	6.8
SERVICE-PROVIDING	95,500	95,900	94,000	-400	1,500	1.6
PRIVATE SERVICE-PROVIDING	65,100	65,400	63,200	-300	1,900	3.0
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION & UTILITIES	16,000	16,000	16,400	0	-400	-2.4
Retail Trade	11,900	11,900	11,900	0	0	0.0
GOVERNMENT	30,400	30,500	30,800	-100	-400	-1.3
FEDERAL	2,500	2,500	2,500	0	0	0.0
STATE	21,400	21,400	21,900	0	-500	-2.3
LOCAL	6,500	6,600	6,400	-100	100	1.6

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JEFFERSON CITY MSA (Seasonally Adjusted)

TOTAL NONFARM	76,600	76,800	76,900	-200	-300	-0.4
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JEFFERSON CITY MSA (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

TOTAL NONFARM	76,900	77,600	77,300	-700	-400	-0.5
TOTAL PRIVATE	52,300	52,800	51,400	-500	900	1.8
GOODS-PRODUCING	10,600	10,700	9,800	-100	800	8.2
SERVICE-PROVIDING	66,300	66,900	67,500	-600	-1,200	-1.8
PRIVATE SERVICE-PROVIDING	41,700	42,100	41,600	-400	100	0.2
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION & UTILITIES	14,300	14,300	14,700	0	-400	-2.7
Retail Trade	9,100	9,100	9,400	0	-300	-3.2
GOVERNMENT	24,600	24,800	25,900	-200	-1,300	-5.0
FEDERAL	800	800	800	0	0	0.0
STATE	18,000	18,200	19,300	-200	-1,300	-6.7
LOCAL	5,800	5,800	5,800	0	0	0.0

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JOPLIN MSA (Seasonally Adjusted)

TOTAL NONFARM	82,400	82,200	80,100	200	2,300	2.9
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JOPLIN MSA (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

TOTAL NONFARM	83,500	83,400	81,100	100	2,400	3.0
TOTAL PRIVATE	71,600	71,500	70,600	100	1,000	1.4
GOODS-PRODUCING	15,400	15,400	15,100	0	300	2.0
MANUFACTURING	12,700	12,600	12,300	100	400	3.3
Nondurable Goods	5,900	5,900	5,900	0	0	0.0
Food Manufacturing	3,700	3,700	3,700	0	0	0.0
SERVICE-PROVIDING	68,100	68,000	66,000	100	2,100	3.2
PRIVATE SERVICE-PROVIDING	56,200	56,100	55,500	100	700	1.3
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION & UTILITIES	22,500	22,400	21,100	100	1,400	6.6
Retail Trade	11,500	11,500	11,000	0	500	4.5
General merchandise stores	3,400	3,300	3,300	100	100	3.0
EDUCATIONAL & HEALTH SERVICE	12,900	13,000	12,800	-100	100	0.8
Health care & social assistnc	12,600	12,600	12,400	0	200	1.6
GOVERNMENT	11,900	11,900	10,500	0	1,400	13.3
FEDERAL	400	400	400	0	0	0.0
STATE	1,500	1,400	1,700	100	-200	-11.8
LOCAL	10,000	10,100	8,400	-100	1,600	19.0

EMPLOYMENT (JOBS)			CHANGE TO DECEMBER 2017 FROM		
CURRENT MONTH DECEMBER 2017	PREVIOUS MONTH NOVEMBER 2017	YEAR AGO DECEMBER 2016	PREVIOUS MONTH	YEAR AGO	YEAR AGO %

KANSAS CITY MSA (Seasonally Adjusted)

TOTAL NONFARM	1,088,100	1,088,300	1,078,700	-200	9,400	0.9
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KANSAS CITY MSA (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

TOTAL NONFARM	1,093,100	1,094,400	1,083,700	-1,300	9,400	0.9
TOTAL PRIVATE	943,700	943,300	934,500	400	9,200	1.0
GOODS-PRODUCING	122,400	122,900	126,300	-500	-3,900	-3.1
MINING, LOGGING & CONSTRUCTION	46,200	47,100	48,300	-900	-2,100	-4.3
MANUFACTURING	76,200	75,800	78,000	400	-1,800	-2.3
SERVICE-PROVIDING	970,700	971,500	957,400	-800	13,300	1.4
PRIVATE SERVICE-PROVIDING	821,300	820,400	808,200	900	13,100	1.6
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION & UTILITIES	218,900	217,300	216,300	1,600	2,600	1.2
Wholesale Trade	53,500	53,100	51,300	400	2,200	4.3
Retail Trade	114,700	114,300	114,900	400	-200	-0.2
General merchandise stores	24,500	24,300	24,900	200	-400	-1.6
Transportation,Warehnsng,Utils	50,700	49,900	50,100	800	600	1.2
INFORMATION	18,000	18,000	19,000	0	-1,000	-5.3
Telecommunications	6,600	6,700	7,000	-100	-400	-5.7
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	80,400	81,200	80,200	-800	200	0.2
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SVCS	202,300	202,900	194,000	-600	8,300	4.3
Professional/scientific/technl	97,500	97,800	94,700	-300	2,800	3.0
Management of Companies	27,600	27,300	26,500	300	1,100	4.2
Administrative/Support/Waste	77,200	77,800	72,800	-600	4,400	6.0
EDUCATIONAL & HEALTH SERVICE	153,600	153,300	151,700	300	1,900	1.3
Health care & social assistnc	134,200	134,100	132,000	100	2,200	1.7
Hospitals	42,200	42,000	41,100	200	1,100	2.7
LEISURE & HOSPITALITY	105,000	104,600	104,300	400	700	0.7
Accommodation & food services	90,700	90,600	90,200	100	500	0.6
Food svcs & drinking places	81,200	80,900	80,400	300	800	1.0
OTHER SERVICES	43,100	43,100	42,700	0	400	0.9
GOVERNMENT	149,400	151,100	149,200	-1,700	200	0.1
FEDERAL	25,900	26,300	26,900	-400	-1,000	-3.7
STATE	15,500	15,300	15,600	200	-100	-0.6
LOCAL	108,000	109,500	106,700	-1,500	1,300	1.2

EMPLOYMENT (JOBS)			CHANGE TO DECEMBER 2017 FROM		
CURRENT MONTH DECEMBER 2017	PREVIOUS MONTH NOVEMBER 2017	YEAR AGO DECEMBER 2016	PREVIOUS MONTH	YEAR AGO	YEAR AGO %

ST. JOSEPH MSA (Seasonally Adjusted)

TOTAL NONFARM	63,400	63,000	63,700	400	-300	-0.5
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ST. JOSEPH MSA (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

TOTAL NONFARM	64,100	63,700	64,400	400	-300	-0.5
TOTAL PRIVATE	53,200	53,000	52,700	200	500	0.9
GOODS-PRODUCING	14,200	14,100	13,400	100	800	6.0
SERVICE-PROVIDING	49,900	49,600	51,000	300	-1,100	-2.2
PRIVATE SERVICE-PROVIDING	39,000	38,900	39,300	100	-300	-0.8
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION & UTILITIES	10,700	10,800	11,300	-100	-600	-5.3
GOVERNMENT	10,900	10,700	11,700	200	-800	-6.8
FEDERAL	600	600	600	0	0	0.0
STATE	6,100	6,200	6,000	-100	100	1.7
LOCAL	4,200	3,900	5,100	300	-900	-17.6

EMPLOYMENT (JOBS)			CHANGE TO DECEMBER 2017 FROM		
CURRENT MONTH DECEMBER 2017	PREVIOUS MONTH NOVEMBER 2017	YEAR AGO DECEMBER 2016	PREVIOUS MONTH	YEAR AGO	YEAR AGO %

ST. LOUIS MSA (Seasonally Adjusted)

TOTAL NONFARM	1,383,900	1,390,000	1,374,100	-6,100	9,800	0.7
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ST. LOUIS MSA (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

TOTAL NONFARM	1,390,800	1,399,000	1,374,200	-8,200	16,600	1.2
TOTAL PRIVATE	1,232,300	1,240,400	1,211,100	-8,100	21,200	1.8
GOODS-PRODUCING	184,100	185,400	178,800	-1,300	5,300	3.0
MINING, LOGGING & CONSTRUCTION	66,200	68,300	64,300	-2,100	1,900	3.0
MANUFACTURING	117,900	117,100	114,500	800	3,400	3.0
Durable Goods	72,900	72,100	69,800	800	3,100	4.4
Primary Metal Mfg	6,300	6,300	6,300	0	0	0.0
Transportation Equipment Mfg	23,100	23,100	22,900	0	200	0.9
Nondurable Goods	45,000	45,000	44,700	0	300	0.7
SERVICE-PROVIDING	1,206,700	1,213,600	1,195,400	-6,900	11,300	0.9
PRIVATE SERVICE-PROVIDING	1,048,200	1,055,000	1,032,300	-6,800	15,900	1.5
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION & UTILITIES	259,500	259,900	260,500	-400	-1,000	-0.4
Wholesale Trade	61,200	61,300	61,500	-100	-300	-0.5
Merchant wholslrs durable gds	29,900	29,900	29,700	0	200	0.7
Merchant wholslrs nondur gds	17,700	17,500	17,700	200	0	0.0
Retail Trade	148,800	149,800	147,800	-1,000	1,000	0.7
Food & beverage stores	23,300	23,200	23,300	100	0	0.0
Health & personal care stores	11,000	10,800	10,900	200	100	0.9
Clothing & accessories store	11,100	11,000	11,700	100	-600	-5.1
General merchandise stores	33,800	33,400	33,500	400	300	0.9
Transportation,Warehnsng,Utils	49,500	48,800	51,200	700	-1,700	-3.3
INFORMATION	28,400	28,500	29,000	-100	-600	-2.1
Telecommunications	11,300	11,400	11,900	-100	-600	-5.0
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	87,900	88,900	87,000	-1,000	900	1.0
Credit intermediation & relat	29,400	29,300	28,400	100	1,000	3.5
Depository credit intermedia	20,600	20,500	20,300	100	300	1.5
Insurance carriers & related	25,000	25,300	25,600	-300	-600	-2.3
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SVCS	216,800	218,700	211,900	-1,900	4,900	2.3
Professional/scientific/technl	84,300	85,100	83,000	-800	1,300	1.6
Scientific R&D	5,700	5,800	5,800	-100	-100	-1.7
Management of Companies	44,000	43,900	41,400	100	2,600	6.3
Administrative/Support/Waste	88,500	89,700	87,500	-1,200	1,000	1.1
Employment Services	36,600	36,400	33,200	200	3,400	10.2
Travel arrangement/reserva	2,000	1,900	2,000	100	0	0.0
Svc to bldgs & dwellings	20,400	21,300	20,300	-900	100	0.5
EDUCATIONAL & HEALTH SERVICE	257,300	259,700	251,700	-2,400	5,600	2.2
Educational services	41,400	42,000	40,300	-600	1,100	2.7
Health care & social assistnc	215,900	217,700	211,400	-1,800	4,500	2.1
Hospitals	75,400	75,300	74,500	100	900	1.2
Nursing/rsidentl care facils	34,000	34,000	33,700	0	300	0.9
Social assistance	45,900	47,400	42,600	-1,500	3,300	7.7
LEISURE & HOSPITALITY	149,000	150,200	143,400	-1,200	5,600	3.9
Arts, Entertainment & Recreation	21,000	21,900	20,700	-900	300	1.4
Amusement/gambling/recreation	14,700	15,300	14,600	-600	100	0.7
Accommodation & food services	128,000	128,300	122,700	-300	5,300	4.3
Food svcs & drinking places	117,600	117,600	110,900	0	6,700	6.0
OTHER SERVICES	49,300	49,100	48,800	200	500	1.0
GOVERNMENT	158,500	158,600	163,100	-100	-4,600	-2.8
FEDERAL	25,400	25,300	26,000	100	-600	-2.3
STATE	12,500	12,600	13,200	-100	-700	-5.3
LOCAL	120,600	120,700	123,900	-100	-3,300	-2.7

EMPLOYMENT (JOBS)			CHANGE TO DECEMBER 2017 FROM		
CURRENT MONTH DECEMBER 2017	PREVIOUS MONTH NOVEMBER 2017	YEAR AGO DECEMBER 2016	PREVIOUS MONTH	YEAR AGO	YEAR AGO %

SPRINGFIELD MSA (Seasonally Adjusted)

TOTAL NONFARM	216,100	215,200	212,100	900	4,000	1.9
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SPRINGFIELD MSA (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

TOTAL NONFARM	218,700	218,100	214,700	600	4,000	1.9
TOTAL PRIVATE	187,100	186,200	183,800	900	3,300	1.8
GOODS-PRODUCING	24,400	24,300	23,400	100	1,000	4.3
MINING, LOGGING & CONSTRUCTION	9,200	9,200	8,600	0	600	7.0
MANUFACTURING	15,200	15,100	14,800	100	400	2.7
SERVICE-PROVIDING	194,300	193,800	191,300	500	3,000	1.6
PRIVATE SERVICE-PROVIDING	162,700	161,900	160,400	800	2,300	1.4
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION & UTILITIES	49,300	48,500	49,200	800	100	0.2
Wholesale Trade	11,100	11,000	10,800	100	300	2.8
Retail Trade	26,800	26,200	27,100	600	-300	-1.1
General merchandise stores	6,400	6,300	6,500	100	-100	-1.5
Transportation, Warehsng, Utils	11,400	11,300	11,300	100	100	0.9
INFORMATION	3,600	3,700	3,600	-100	0	0.0
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	12,100	12,000	11,900	100	200	1.7
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SVCS	25,200	25,100	25,100	100	100	0.4
EDUCATIONAL & HEALTH SERVICE	39,800	40,100	39,700	-300	100	0.3
Health care & social assistnc	36,300	36,600	35,100	-300	1,200	3.4
LEISURE & HOSPITALITY	23,500	23,300	21,800	200	1,700	7.8
Accommodation & food services	20,100	20,100	19,300	0	800	4.1
OTHER SERVICES	9,200	9,200	9,100	0	100	1.1
GOVERNMENT	31,600	31,900	30,900	-300	700	2.3
FEDERAL	2,300	2,400	2,500	-100	-200	-8.0
STATE	9,300	9,400	8,200	-100	1,100	13.4
LOCAL	20,000	20,100	20,200	-100	-200	-1.0

AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS AND EARNINGS* OF ALL EMPLOYEES ON PRIVATE NONFARM PAYROLLS (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)

AREA	INDUSTRY	CURRENT MONTH - DECEMBER 2017				PREVIOUS MONTH - NOVEMBER 2017				YEAR AGO - DECEMBER 2016			
		All Employees	Average Weekly Hours	Average Hourly Earnings	Average Weekly Earnings	All Employees	Average Weekly Hours	Average Hourly Earnings	Average Weekly Earnings	All Employees	Average Weekly Hours	Average Hourly Earnings	Average Weekly Earnings
MISSOURI	TOTAL PRIVATE	2,465,800	33.2	\$24.11	\$800.45	2,473,700	33.2	\$24.32	\$807.42	2,434,700	33.0	\$23.24	\$766.92
	GOODS-PRODUCING	388,300	40.0	\$27.96	\$1,118.40	390,200	39.6	\$28.01	\$1,109.20	388,100	39.2	\$27.21	\$1,066.63
	CONSTRUCTION	114,000	35.4	\$29.45	\$1,042.53	118,000	35.8	\$29.28	\$1,048.22	121,500	36.9	\$29.03	\$1,071.21
	MANUFACTURING	269,900	42.3	\$27.50	\$1,163.25	267,800	41.6	\$27.59	\$1,147.74	262,400	40.5	\$26.19	\$1,060.70
	PRIVATE SERVICE-PROVIDING	2,077,500	31.9	\$23.21	\$740.40	2,083,500	32.0	\$23.46	\$750.72	2,046,600	31.8	\$22.31	\$709.46
	TRADE, TRANSPORTATION & UTILS	558,400	32.6	\$21.81	\$711.01	558,400	32.9	\$21.82	\$717.88	560,600	33.2	\$20.75	\$688.90
	FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	174,900	35.5	\$31.41	\$1,115.06	174,000	35.4	\$30.88	\$1,093.15	169,700	34.7	\$29.12	\$1,010.46
	PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SVCS	399,500	34.2	\$29.05	\$993.51	401,200	34.3	\$28.84	\$989.21	385,200	35.5	\$27.76	\$985.48
	EDUCATIONAL & HEALTH SERVICES	470,300	32.5	\$19.32	\$627.90	474,100	32.8	\$19.42	\$636.98	465,300	32.7	\$19.87	\$649.75
	LEISURE & HOSPITALITY	306,600	24.6	\$14.49	\$356.45	307,600	24.5	\$14.35	\$351.58	296,000	23.2	\$13.90	\$322.48
CAPE GIRARDEAU MSA	TOTAL PRIVATE	38,300	32.8	\$21.60	\$708.48	38,200	33.3	\$21.95	\$730.94	38,300	32.4	\$20.68	\$670.03
COLUMBIA MSA	TOTAL PRIVATE	73,000	31.6	\$21.52	\$680.03	73,200	33.2	\$21.78	\$723.10	70,600	30.9	\$20.53	\$634.38
JEFFERSON CITY MSA	TOTAL PRIVATE	52,300	31.6	\$22.92	\$724.27	52,800	31.8	\$22.14	\$704.05	51,400	32.4	\$22.10	\$716.04
JOPLIN MSA	TOTAL PRIVATE	71,600	33.9	\$18.85	\$639.02	71,500	33.7	\$18.90	\$636.93	70,600	34.1	\$18.65	\$635.97
KANSAS CITY MSA	TOTAL PRIVATE	943,700	34.6	\$27.37	\$947.00	943,300	34.5	\$27.39	\$944.96	934,500	33.4	\$25.68	\$857.71
ST. JOSEPH MSA	TOTAL PRIVATE	53,200	36.8	\$21.00	\$772.80	53,000	36.4	\$21.13	\$769.13	52,700	35.9	\$21.50	\$771.85
ST. LOUIS MSA	TOTAL PRIVATE	1,232,300	33.5	\$26.48	\$887.08	1,240,400	33.7	\$25.93	\$873.84	1,211,100	33.9	\$26.34	\$892.93
SPRINGFIELD MSA	TOTAL PRIVATE	187,100	33.5	\$21.35	\$715.23	186,200	32.9	\$21.33	\$701.76	183,800	33.8	\$20.12	\$680.06
KANSAS CITY MSA (Missouri part)	TOTAL PRIVATE	519,700	34.2	\$26.91	\$920.32	520,500	33.7	\$27.34	\$921.36	519,200	33.0	\$24.99	\$824.67

* Hours and earnings estimates are produced for all employees in the private sector, for production employees in Manufacturing and Mining and logging, for construction workers in Construction, and for nonsupervisory workers in private, service-providing industries. The estimates are derived from reports of gross payrolls and corresponding paid hours. The payroll for employees covered by the CES survey is reported before deductions of any kind, such as unemployment insurance, withholding and social security taxes, health plans, union dues, or retirement plans. Included in the payroll reports is pay for overtime, vacations, holidays and sick leave paid directly by the firm. Bonuses, commissions, and other types of non-wage cash payments are excluded unless they are earned and paid regularly (at least once a month). Employee benefits paid by the employer, as well as payments in kind, are excluded.

Total hours during the pay period include all hours worked (including overtime hours), and hours paid for holidays, vacations, and sick leave. Total hours differ from the concept of scheduled hours worked. Estimates of average weekly hours reflect effects of numerous factors such as unpaid absenteeism, labor turnover, part-time work, strikes, and fluctuations in work schedules for economic reasons. Overtime hours in Manufacturing are collected where overtime premiums were paid if hours were in excess of the number of straight time hours in a workday or workweek.

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AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS AND EARNINGS OF PRODUCTION AND NONSUPERVISORY EMPLOYEES ON PRIVATE NONFARM PAYROLLS (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)

AREA	INDUSTRY	CURRENT MONTH - DECEMBER 2017				PREVIOUS MONTH - NOVEMBER 2017				YEAR AGO - DECEMBER 2016			
		All Production/ Nonsupervisory Employees	Average Weekly Hours	Average Hourly Earnings	Average Weekly Earnings	All Production/ Nonsupervisory Employees	Average Weekly Hours	Average Hourly Earnings	Average Weekly Earnings	All Production/ Nonsupervisory Employees	Average Weekly Hours	Average Hourly Earnings	Average Weekly Earnings
MISSOURI	CONSTRUCTION	87,200	36.5	\$28.03	\$1,023.10	91,000	36.8	\$28.19	\$1,037.39	95,000	37.3	\$27.71	\$1,033.58
	Construction of Buildings	19,400	35.3	\$29.43	\$1,038.88	19,500	37.9	\$29.13	\$1,104.03	17,800	38.3	\$28.76	\$1,101.51
	Specialty Trade Contractors	59,000	37.3	\$28.20	\$1,051.86	60,500	36.9	\$28.56	\$1,053.86	65,900	36.7	\$27.77	\$1,019.16
	MANUFACTURING	185,200	42.5	\$22.47	\$954.98	184,500	42.6	\$23.10	\$984.06	177,700	41.0	\$20.66	\$847.06
	Durable Goods	104,400	43.2	\$22.73	\$981.94	103,100	43.3	\$22.52	\$975.12	99,300	43.4	\$21.61	\$937.87
	Nondurable Goods	80,800	41.6	\$22.13	\$920.61	81,400	41.6	\$23.87	\$992.99	78,400	38.0	\$19.29	\$733.02
	TRADE, TRANSPORTATION & UTILITIES												
	Wholesale Trade	96,600	38.2	\$23.95	\$914.89	96,900	38.6	\$23.10	\$891.66	98,700	36.9	\$21.38	\$788.92
	Merchant wholesalers durable goods	49,800	40.5	\$22.67	\$918.14	50,500	40.5	\$22.79	\$923.00	47,900	38.2	\$21.63	\$826.27
	Retail Trade	285,600	29.7	\$14.44	\$428.87	286,700	29.2	\$14.64	\$427.49	276,800	28.0	\$14.18	\$397.04
	INFORMATION	40,400	37.2	\$24.91	\$926.65	40,700	37.8	\$23.09	\$872.80	42,900	33.4	\$22.20	\$741.48
	FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	141,400				140,700				135,400			
	ST. LOUIS MSA	MINING, LOGGING, & CONSTRUCTION	50,400	37.5	\$30.55	\$1,145.63	52,900	36.8	\$29.76	\$1,095.17	49,200	37.1	\$33.27
MANUFACTURING		71,800	42.6	\$24.59	\$1,047.53	71,700	42.1	\$24.38	\$1,026.40	68,300	41.8	\$23.65	\$988.57
Durable Goods		41,200	45.1	\$25.45	\$1,147.80	41,000	44.7	\$25.53	\$1,141.19	37,100	43.9	\$25.62	\$1,124.72
Nondurable Goods		30,600	39.2	\$23.26	\$911.79	30,700	38.7	\$22.64	\$876.17	31,200	39.2	\$21.02	\$823.98
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION & UTILITIES		220,200	32.8	\$19.01	\$623.53	221,500	32.4	\$18.57	\$601.67	219,700	31.5	\$17.29	\$544.64
Wholesale Trade		48,300	38.4	\$23.88	\$916.99	48,800	38.3	\$22.78	\$872.47	51,100	36.5	\$19.77	\$721.61
Merchant wholesalers durable goods		24,400	39.3	\$22.13	\$869.71	24,800	38.8	\$23.14	\$897.83	24,400	36.4	\$21.65	\$788.06
Retail Trade		129,400	29.2	\$14.37	\$419.60	130,200	28.6	\$14.67	\$419.56	123,300	28.0	\$13.65	\$382.20
Transportation, Warehousing, Utilities		42,500	37.5	\$24.33	\$912.38	42,500	37.4	\$22.76	\$851.22	45,200	35.2	\$22.27	\$783.90
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES		69,900	36.0	\$25.01	\$900.36	71,100	37.6	\$25.02	\$940.75	70,700	35.2	\$25.08	\$882.82
SPRINGFIELD MSA	Retail Trade	24,100	32.1	\$12.98	\$416.66	23,600	31.7	\$14.21	\$450.46	24,000	33.6	\$14.60	\$490.56
KANSAS CITY MSA (Missouri part)	TRADE, TRANSPORTATION & UTILITIES	97,500	31.7	\$19.81	\$627.98	97,500	31.5	\$20.48	\$645.12	96,700	31.6	\$20.99	\$663.28
	Wholesale Trade	21,300	37.4	\$22.92	\$857.21	21,300	36.9	\$23.64	\$872.32	20,500	38.7	\$25.76	\$996.91
	Retail Trade	56,200	30.4	\$15.30	\$465.12	56,500	29.9	\$15.51	\$463.75	56,800	29.1	\$15.33	\$446.10

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CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE DATA - DECEMBER 2017

AREA	CURRENT MONTH - DECEMBER 2017				PREVIOUS MONTH - NOVEMBER 2017				YEAR AGO - DECEMBER 2016			
	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYMENT	UNEMPLOYMENT		LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYMENT	UNEMPLOYMENT		LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYMENT	UNEMPLOYMENT	
			Number	Rate			Number	Rate			Number	Rate
U.S. (000 - not seasonally adjusted)	159,880	153,602	6,278	3.9	160,466	154,180	6,286	3.9	158,968	151,798	7,170	4.5
MISSOURI (not seasonally adjusted)	2,985,425	2,885,019	100,406	3.4	3,021,468	2,925,998	95,470	3.2	3,081,307	2,960,244	121,063	3.9
METROPOLITAN AREAS												
CAPE GIRARDEAU	44,534	42,938	1,596	3.6	44,821	43,319	1,502	3.4	48,835	46,747	2,088	4.3
CAPE GIRARDEAU (MO PT)	42,387	40,960	1,427	3.4	42,669	41,349	1,320	3.1	46,535	44,644	1,891	4.1
Bollinger	5,066	4,856	210	4.1	5,127	4,934	193	3.8	5,558	5,276	282	5.1
Cape Girardeau	37,321	36,104	1,217	3.3	37,542	36,415	1,127	3.0	40,977	39,368	1,609	3.9
COLUMBIA MSA (Boone Co.)	98,016	95,825	2,191	2.2	99,378	97,147	2,231	2.2	99,871	97,195	2,676	2.7
JEFFERSON CITY MSA	72,046	70,038	2,008	2.8	73,547	71,611	1,936	2.6	75,254	72,866	2,388	3.2
Callaway	20,609	19,984	625	3.0	21,025	20,431	594	2.8	21,519	20,788	731	3.4
Cole	37,584	36,603	981	2.6	38,289	37,335	954	2.5	39,270	38,083	1,187	3.0
Moniteau	7,023	6,792	231	3.3	7,221	7,007	214	3.0	7,342	7,063	279	3.8
Osage	6,830	6,659	171	2.5	7,012	6,838	174	2.5	7,123	6,932	191	2.7
JOPLIN MSA	84,236	81,815	2,421	2.9	85,121	82,701	2,420	2.8	85,824	82,526	3,298	3.8
Jasper	56,606	54,995	1,611	2.8	57,138	55,537	1,601	2.8	57,669	55,457	2,212	3.8
Newton	27,630	26,820	810	2.9	27,983	27,164	819	2.9	28,155	27,069	1,086	3.9
KANSAS CITY MSA	1,106,777	1,070,423	36,354	3.3	1,117,448	1,081,391	36,057	3.2	1,126,141	1,083,512	42,629	3.8
KANSAS CITY MSA (MO PT)	646,104	623,260	22,844	3.5	651,963	630,546	21,417	3.3	667,886	641,573	26,313	3.9
Bates	7,941	7,629	312	3.9	8,078	7,788	290	3.6	8,254	7,872	382	4.6
Caldwell	4,318	4,176	142	3.3	4,398	4,270	128	2.9	4,490	4,310	180	4.0
Cass	53,090	51,408	1,682	3.2	53,622	52,052	1,570	2.9	54,848	52,940	1,908	3.5
Clay	130,456	126,606	3,850	3.0	131,752	128,078	3,674	2.8	134,661	130,283	4,378	3.3
Clinton	10,838	10,460	378	3.5	10,974	10,640	334	3.0	11,163	10,770	393	3.5
Jackson	356,834	342,791	14,043	3.9	359,530	346,441	13,089	3.6	369,095	352,869	16,226	4.4
Lafayette	16,916	16,342	574	3.4	17,161	16,642	519	3.0	17,457	16,825	632	3.6
Platte	54,738	53,277	1,461	2.7	55,360	53,918	1,442	2.6	56,561	54,820	1,741	3.1
Ray	10,973	10,571	402	3.7	11,088	10,717	371	3.3	11,357	10,884	473	4.2
ST. JOSEPH MSA	63,006	61,141	1,865	3.0	63,416	61,591	1,825	2.9	65,807	63,348	2,459	3.7
ST. JOSEPH MSA (MO PT)	58,803	57,067	1,736	3.0	59,171	57,485	1,686	2.8	61,580	59,271	2,309	3.7
Andrew	9,486	9,242	244	2.6	9,572	9,324	248	2.6	9,941	9,609	332	3.3
Buchanan	44,494	43,156	1,338	3.0	44,699	43,412	1,287	2.9	46,584	44,812	1,772	3.8
DeKalb	4,823	4,669	154	3.2	4,900	4,749	151	3.1	5,055	4,850	205	4.1
ST. LOUIS MSA	1,436,378	1,387,051	49,327	3.4	1,451,637	1,402,923	48,714	3.4	1,467,304	1,408,371	58,933	4.0
ST. LOUIS MSA (MO PT)	1,094,930	1,060,133	34,797	3.2	1,108,542	1,075,087	33,455	3.0	1,123,255	1,082,701	40,554	3.6
Franklin	50,857	49,276	1,581	3.1	51,699	50,029	1,670	3.2	52,234	50,348	1,886	3.6
Jefferson	114,416	110,712	3,704	3.2	115,596	112,149	3,447	3.0	117,470	113,127	4,343	3.7
Lincoln	26,160	25,250	910	3.5	26,506	25,672	834	3.1	26,816	25,797	1,019	3.8
St. Charles	212,573	206,869	5,704	2.7	215,470	209,998	5,472	2.5	217,736	211,145	6,591	3.0
St. Louis Co.	519,563	503,317	16,246	3.1	525,874	510,209	15,665	3.0	533,040	514,091	18,949	3.6
Warren	16,804	16,313	491	2.9	17,054	16,578	476	2.8	17,251	16,670	581	3.4
St. Louis City	154,557	148,396	6,161	4.0	156,343	150,452	5,891	3.8	158,708	151,523	7,185	4.5
SPRINGFIELD MSA	228,639	222,292	6,347	2.8	229,786	223,513	6,273	2.7	233,914	225,796	8,118	3.5
Christian	42,819	41,643	1,176	2.7	42,904	41,806	1,098	2.6	43,785	42,320	1,465	3.3
Dallas	6,865	6,574	291	4.2	6,953	6,661	292	4.2	7,064	6,691	373	5.3
Greene	148,462	144,599	3,863	2.6	149,111	145,286	3,825	2.6	151,678	146,758	4,920	3.2
Polk	14,059	13,573	486	3.5	14,187	13,693	494	3.5	14,432	13,846	586	4.1
Webster	16,434	15,903	531	3.2	16,631	16,067	564	3.4	16,955	16,181	774	4.6
FAYETTEVILLE MSA (MO PT - McDonald Co)	10,500	10,178	322	3.1	10,738	10,406	332	3.1	10,712	10,328	384	3.6

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<u>MICROPOLITAN AREAS</u>												
BRANSON	38,682	36,915	1,767	4.6	39,778	38,292	1,486	3.7	38,893	36,730	2,163	5.6
Stone	13,085	12,483	602	4.6	13,433	12,934	499	3.7	13,212	12,449	763	5.8
Taney	25,597	24,432	1,165	4.6	26,345	25,358	987	3.7	25,681	24,281	1,400	5.5
FARMINGTON (St. Francois Co.)	25,758	24,694	1,064	4.1	25,882	24,923	959	3.7	26,097	24,842	1,255	4.8
FT. LEONARD WOOD (Pulaski Co.)	13,920	13,347	573	4.1	14,095	13,535	560	4.0	14,433	13,745	688	4.8
HANNIBAL	19,523	18,912	611	3.1	19,929	19,361	568	2.9	20,229	19,476	753	3.7
Marion	14,103	13,656	447	3.2	14,388	13,967	421	2.9	14,617	14,060	557	3.8
Ralls	5,420	5,256	164	3.0	5,541	5,394	147	2.7	5,612	5,416	196	3.5
KENNETT (Dunklin Co.)	11,751	11,070	681	5.8	12,007	11,390	617	5.1	12,810	11,806	1,004	7.8
KIRKSVILLE	11,741	11,307	434	3.7	12,021	11,586	435	3.6	12,248	11,643	605	4.9
Adair	9,921	9,569	352	3.5	10,154	9,785	369	3.6	10,346	9,849	497	4.8
Schuyler	1,820	1,738	82	4.5	1,867	1,801	66	3.5	1,902	1,794	108	5.7
LEBANON (Laclede Co.)	15,693	14,941	752	4.8	16,025	15,187	838	5.2	15,743	14,923	820	5.2
MARSHALL (Saline Co.)	10,167	9,826	341	3.4	10,373	10,060	313	3.0	10,758	10,323	435	4.0
MARYVILLE (Nodaway Co.)	10,140	9,843	297	2.9	10,391	10,092	299	2.9	10,744	10,337	407	3.8
MEXICO (Audrain Co.)	10,824	10,447	377	3.5	10,966	10,615	351	3.2	11,180	10,785	395	3.5
MOBERLY (Randolph Co.)	9,956	9,540	416	4.2	10,001	9,629	372	3.7	10,498	10,025	473	4.5
POPLAR BLUFF (Butler Co.)	17,666	16,918	748	4.2	17,653	16,979	674	3.8	18,865	17,954	911	4.8
ROLLA (Phelps Co.)	18,894	18,249	645	3.4	19,122	18,489	633	3.3	19,405	18,642	763	3.9
SEDALIA (Pettis Co.)	19,975	19,197	778	3.9	20,233	19,480	753	3.7	20,785	19,901	884	4.3
SIKESTON (Scott Co.)	18,940	18,171	769	4.1	19,170	18,448	722	3.8	19,930	18,878	1,052	5.3
WARRENSBURG (Johnson Co.)	22,658	21,811	847	3.7	23,164	22,256	908	3.9	23,293	22,294	999	4.3
WEST PLAINS (Howell Co.)	14,978	14,359	619	4.1	15,068	14,475	593	3.9	16,003	15,087	916	5.7
FT MADISON-KEOKUK IA-MO(MO PT - Clark Co.)	3,086	2,926	160	5.2	3,149	3,011	138	4.4	3,346	3,105	241	7.2
QUINCY IL-MO (MO PT - Lewis Co.)	4,893	4,744	149	3.0	4,985	4,844	141	2.8	5,128	4,921	207	4.0
<u>COMBINED STATISTICAL AREAS (CSAs)</u>												
Cape Girardeau-Sikeston CSA ¹	63,474	61,109	2,365	3.7	63,991	61,767	2,224	3.5	68,765	65,625	3,140	4.6
Columbia-Moberly-Mexico CSA ²	118,796	115,812	2,984	2.5	120,345	117,391	2,954	2.5	121,549	118,005	3,544	2.9
Joplin-Miami CSA ³	98,743	95,746	2,997	3.0	99,720	96,734	2,986	3.0	100,107	96,110	3,997	4.0
Kansas City-Overland Park- KC KS CSA ⁴	1,278,920	1,237,517	41,403	3.2	1,292,339	1,250,912	41,427	3.2	1,302,477	1,253,355	49,122	3.8
St. Louis-St. Charles-Farmington CSA ⁵	1,479,423	1,428,195	51,228	3.5	1,494,798	1,444,283	50,515	3.4	1,511,017	1,449,747	61,270	4.1
Springfield-Branson CSA ⁶	267,321	259,207	8,114	3.0	269,564	261,805	7,759	2.9	272,807	262,526	10,281	3.8
<u>SINGLE COUNTY LMAs</u>												
Atchison	2,666	2,599	67	2.5	2,771	2,699	72	2.6	2,764	2,650	114	4.1
Barry	14,615	14,138	477	3.3	14,933	14,492	441	3.0	14,806	14,211	595	4.0
Barton	4,859	4,703	156	3.2	4,972	4,813	159	3.2	5,195	4,934	261	5.0
Benton	6,954	6,595	359	5.2	7,017	6,698	319	4.5	7,258	6,835	423	5.8
Camden	17,467	16,493	974	5.6	17,684	16,911	773	4.4	18,283	17,177	1,106	6.0
Carroll	4,498	4,325	173	3.8	4,624	4,466	158	3.4	4,731	4,514	217	4.6
Carter	2,357	2,223	134	5.7	2,368	2,245	123	5.2	2,462	2,323	139	5.6
Cedar	5,455	5,257	198	3.6	5,554	5,364	190	3.4	5,724	5,454	270	4.7
Chariton	3,704	3,580	124	3.3	3,788	3,672	116	3.1	3,799	3,660	139	3.7
Cooper	7,187	6,955	232	3.2	7,322	7,099	223	3.0	7,417	7,112	305	4.1
Crawford	10,292	9,823	469	4.6	10,389	9,980	409	3.9	10,733	10,218	515	4.8
Dade	3,472	3,372	100	2.9	3,557	3,462	95	2.7	3,578	3,439	139	3.9

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Daviess	3,866	3,757	109	2.8	3,990	3,897	93	2.3	4,094	3,954	140	3.4
Dent	5,858	5,629	229	3.9	5,956	5,736	220	3.7	6,169	5,859	310	5.0
Douglas	4,856	4,668	188	3.9	4,913	4,720	193	3.9	5,109	4,816	293	5.7
Gasconade	7,480	7,214	266	3.6	7,687	7,385	302	3.9	7,728	7,392	336	4.3
Gentry	3,423	3,344	79	2.3	3,517	3,434	83	2.4	3,533	3,422	111	3.1
Grundy	4,614	4,472	142	3.1	4,713	4,572	141	3.0	4,891	4,686	205	4.2
Harrison	3,761	3,637	124	3.3	3,854	3,748	106	2.8	3,965	3,806	159	4.0
Henry	9,382	9,046	336	3.6	9,473	9,163	310	3.3	9,763	9,323	440	4.5
Hickory	3,523	3,381	142	4.0	3,586	3,437	149	4.2	3,627	3,445	182	5.0
Holt	2,573	2,505	68	2.6	2,632	2,576	56	2.1	2,653	2,579	74	2.8
Howard	4,937	4,776	161	3.3	5,002	4,849	153	3.1	5,098	4,904	194	3.8
Iron	3,396	3,174	222	6.5	3,407	3,222	185	5.4	3,636	3,408	228	6.3
Knox	1,876	1,821	55	2.9	1,921	1,874	47	2.4	1,974	1,908	66	3.3
Lawrence	17,167	16,602	565	3.3	17,456	16,919	537	3.1	17,681	17,035	646	3.7
Linn	5,088	4,770	318	6.3	5,180	4,891	289	5.6	5,185	4,850	335	6.5
Livingston	7,035	6,839	196	2.8	7,115	6,934	181	2.5	7,243	7,013	230	3.2
Macon	7,297	7,053	244	3.3	7,369	7,149	220	3.0	7,589	7,265	324	4.3
Madison	5,183	4,967	216	4.2	5,236	5,034	202	3.9	5,415	5,148	267	4.9
Maries	3,734	3,600	134	3.6	3,827	3,680	147	3.8	3,900	3,732	168	4.3
Mercer	1,858	1,797	61	3.3	1,942	1,885	57	2.9	1,887	1,802	85	4.5
Miller	11,521	10,963	558	4.8	11,624	11,174	450	3.9	11,856	11,218	638	5.4
Mississippi	5,740	5,501	239	4.2	5,855	5,629	226	3.9	6,105	5,747	358	5.9
Monroe	3,832	3,674	158	4.1	3,889	3,753	136	3.5	4,118	3,953	165	4.0
Montgomery	5,386	5,206	180	3.3	5,481	5,318	163	3.0	5,676	5,465	211	3.7
Morgan	7,508	7,125	383	5.1	7,581	7,261	320	4.2	7,903	7,445	458	5.8
New Madrid	7,571	7,160	411	5.4	7,728	7,342	386	5.0	8,047	7,341	706	8.8
Oregon	3,848	3,701	147	3.8	3,940	3,796	144	3.7	4,103	3,881	222	5.4
Ozark	3,391	3,175	216	6.4	3,458	3,303	155	4.5	3,621	3,305	316	8.7
Pemiscot	6,174	5,748	426	6.9	6,273	5,883	390	6.2	6,971	6,416	555	8.0
Perry	9,695	9,454	241	2.5	9,790	9,555	235	2.4	10,190	9,897	293	2.9
Pike	7,708	7,456	252	3.3	7,803	7,575	228	2.9	8,091	7,767	324	4.0
Putnam	2,260	2,182	78	3.5	2,343	2,272	71	3.0	2,403	2,289	114	4.7
Reynolds	2,900	2,794	106	3.7	2,955	2,854	101	3.4	2,557	2,406	151	5.9
Ripley	4,952	4,709	243	4.9	4,999	4,777	222	4.4	5,318	4,982	336	6.3
St. Clair	3,658	3,486	172	4.7	3,706	3,555	151	4.1	3,930	3,700	230	5.9
Ste. Genevieve	8,706	8,432	274	3.1	8,837	8,586	251	2.8	8,981	8,620	361	4.0
Scotland	2,282	2,219	63	2.8	2,350	2,287	63	2.7	2,445	2,339	106	4.3
Shannon	3,014	2,824	190	6.3	3,068	2,904	164	5.3	3,239	2,986	253	7.8
Shelby	2,939	2,838	101	3.4	3,005	2,927	78	2.6	3,044	2,928	116	3.8
Stoddard	12,568	11,953	615	4.9	12,824	12,276	548	4.3	13,290	12,473	817	6.1
Sullivan	2,643	2,545	98	3.7	2,691	2,602	89	3.3	2,728	2,592	136	5.0
Texas	8,969	8,549	420	4.7	9,132	8,737	395	4.3	9,243	8,723	520	5.6
Vernon	9,227	8,909	318	3.4	9,423	9,125	298	3.2	9,555	9,171	384	4.0
Washington	9,888	9,404	484	4.9	9,964	9,543	421	4.2	10,378	9,775	603	5.8
Wayne	5,295	5,047	248	4.7	5,348	5,128	220	4.1	5,655	5,373	282	5.0
Worth	1,103	1,080	23	2.1	1,151	1,126	25	2.2	1,186	1,157	29	2.4
Wright	7,311	6,984	327	4.5	7,558	7,204	354	4.7	7,561	7,105	456	6.0

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Arnold	11,415	11,051	364	3.2	11,520	11,194	326	2.8	11,695	11,292	403	3.4
Ballwin	16,754	16,333	421	2.5	16,955	16,557	398	2.3	17,137	16,683	454	2.6
Belton	11,352	10,948	404	3.6	11,462	11,085	377	3.3	11,696	11,274	422	3.6
Blue Springs	30,191	29,193	998	3.3	30,432	29,503	929	3.1	31,151	30,051	1,100	3.5
Cape Girardeau	18,345	17,729	616	3.4	18,495	17,882	613	3.3	20,146	19,332	814	4.0
Chesterfield	24,446	23,854	592	2.4	24,780	24,180	600	2.4	25,036	24,364	672	2.7
Columbia	66,752	65,262	1,490	2.2	67,711	66,163	1,548	2.3	68,037	66,196	1,841	2.7
Ferguson	9,641	9,205	436	4.5	9,749	9,331	418	4.3	9,918	9,402	516	5.2
Florissant	27,702	26,769	933	3.4	28,048	27,136	912	3.3	28,463	27,342	1,121	3.9
Gladstone	14,481	13,988	493	3.4	14,610	14,151	459	3.1	14,967	14,394	573	3.8
Grandview	13,260	12,712	548	4.1	13,361	12,847	514	3.8	13,701	13,086	615	4.5
Hazelwood	13,583	13,104	479	3.5	13,736	13,284	452	3.3	13,980	13,385	595	4.3
Independence	57,685	55,220	2,465	4.3	58,034	55,808	2,226	3.8	59,697	56,843	2,854	4.8
Jefferson City	20,084	19,504	580	2.9	20,466	19,894	572	2.8	20,963	20,292	671	3.2
Joplin	25,478	24,763	715	2.8	25,739	25,016	723	2.8	25,940	24,973	967	3.7
Kansas City	251,717	242,156	9,561	3.8	253,806	244,834	8,972	3.5	260,038	249,238	10,800	4.2
Kirkwood	15,522	15,172	350	2.3	15,730	15,380	350	2.2	15,924	15,497	427	2.7
Lee's Summit	53,579	52,169	1,410	2.6	54,116	52,727	1,389	2.6	55,484	53,703	1,781	3.2
Liberty	15,856	15,418	438	2.8	16,030	15,598	432	2.7	16,428	15,866	562	3.4
Maryland Heights	15,922	15,487	435	2.7	16,098	15,699	399	2.5	16,343	15,818	525	3.2
Nixa	11,022	10,744	278	2.5	11,040	10,786	254	2.3	11,273	10,918	355	3.1
O'Fallon	46,748	45,560	1,188	2.5	47,406	46,249	1,157	2.4	47,915	46,501	1,414	3.0
Raymore	10,883	10,572	311	2.9	10,987	10,704	283	2.6	11,238	10,887	351	3.1
Raytown	15,261	14,591	670	4.4	15,424	14,746	678	4.4	15,742	15,020	722	4.6
St. Charles	37,337	36,235	1,102	3.0	37,857	36,783	1,074	2.8	38,240	36,984	1,256	3.3
St. Joseph	37,467	36,337	1,130	3.0	37,632	36,553	1,079	2.9	39,291	37,731	1,560	4.0
St. Peters	33,185	32,334	851	2.6	33,643	32,823	820	2.4	33,970	33,003	967	2.8
Sedalia	9,989	9,535	454	4.5	10,102	9,676	426	4.2	10,354	9,885	469	4.5
Springfield	85,822	83,583	2,239	2.6	86,240	83,980	2,260	2.6	87,854	84,831	3,023	3.4
University City	18,448	17,916	532	2.9	18,707	18,161	546	2.9	18,965	18,300	665	3.5
Warrensburg	8,834	8,536	298	3.4	9,068	8,710	358	3.9	9,095	8,725	370	4.1
Webster Groves	12,506	12,216	290	2.3	12,679	12,384	295	2.3	12,820	12,478	342	2.7
Wentzville	18,821	18,335	486	2.6	19,083	18,612	471	2.5	19,283	18,714	569	3.0
Wildwood	18,754	18,287	467	2.5	19,002	18,537	465	2.4	19,200	18,678	522	2.7

* Approximate

1 The CapeGirardeau-Sikeston CSA consists of the Cape Girardeau MSA plus the Sikeston Micropolitan Area.

2 The Columbia-Moberly-Mexico CSA consists of the Columbia MSA plus the Moberly and Mexico Micropolitan Areas

3 The Joplin-Miami CSA consists of the Joplin MSA plus the Miami OK Micropolitan Area

4 The Kansas City-Overland Park-Kansas City CSA consists of the Kansas City MSA plus the St. Joseph (MO) and Lawrence (KS) MSA's plus the Warrensburg (MO), Atchison (KS) and Ottawa (KS) Microp

5 The St. Louis-St. Charles-Farmington CSA consists of the St. Louis MSA plus the Farmington (MO) and Centralia (IL) Micropolitan Areas.

6 The Springfield-Branson CSA consists of the Springfield MSA plus the Branson Micropolitan Area