

March 2010 – Changes to 2010 Nonfarm Employment Series

Detailed below are the March 2010 changes to the monthly nonfarm employment series. These changes became effective with the release of the January 2010 nonfarm data on March 12, 2010.

Preliminary and revised estimates for nonfarm employment series will continue to be published monthly. Changes include the removal of certain published series from the statewide and five of the eight metropolitan statistical areas (MSAs). The MSAs with changes are listed below with the industries that were dropped from the series.

Statewide:

- General Medical and Surgical Hospitals
- Casinos (except Casino Hotels)

Baton Rouge:

- Resin, Synthetic Rubber & Artificial & Synthetic Fibers & Fibers & Filaments

Houma:

- Support Activities for Water Transportation

Monroe:

- General Medical and Surgical Hospitals

New Orleans:

- Petroleum and Coal Products
- Health and Personal Care Stores
- Transportation and Warehousing

Shreveport:

- General Medical and Surgical Hospitals

Beginning with the January 2010 estimates, the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) will begin publishing seasonally adjusted estimates at the nonfarm level for all MSAs with the exception of the Lake Charles MSA. Additionally, All Employees Hours and Earnings data is now available for ten statewide series as well as the total private level for each MSA.

To access these data types begin on the BLS Web page for State and Area Employment <http://www.bls.gov/sae/home.htm> and scroll to the blue section called “On This Page” and select SAE Databases. Then select Employment Hours, and Earnings – State and Metro Area (Current Employment Statistics – CES) and One-Screen Data.