

The Current Employment Statistics (CES) program is a monthly survey conducted by the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS). It is a federal and state cooperative program that provides employment, hours, and earnings estimates based on payroll records of business establishments.



DATA COLLECTED

- Employment data refer to persons on establishments payrolls who receive pay for any part of the pay period that includes the 12th of the month.
- Persons are counted at their place of work rather than at their place of residence those appearing on more than one payroll are counted on each payroll.
- The **Current Employment Statistics (CES)** program produces earnings, but not wage data. CES average earnings are a measure of gross payrolls divided by total hours paid during the pay period that includes the 12th day of the month.
- CES data is subject to annual revision, and is offered with and without seasonal adjustments.



DATA AVAILABLE

Monthly nonfarm payroll estimates by industry, including:

- Employment total
- Production of non-supervisory employees (depending on industry)
- Average hourly earnings (constant dollar and current dollar)
- Average weekly earnings
- Indices of aggregate hours and payrolls
- Diffusion indices