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## BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS

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Subject	Working class – United States - Statistics
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Brief History	The Bureau of Labor was established in the Department of the Interior by the Bureau of Labor Act (23 Stat. 60), June 27, 1884, to collect information about employment and labor. Carroll D. Wright was the first U.S. Commissioner of Labor. It became an independent (sub-Cabinet) department by the Department of Labor Act (25 Stat. 182), June 13, 1888. It was incorporated, as the Bureau of Labor, into the Department of Commerce and Labor by the Department of Commerce Act (32 Stat. 827), February 14, 1903. Finally, it was transferred to the Department of Labor in 1913 where it resides today. The most recent Commissioner of Labor Statistics was Erica Groshen, who was confirmed by the U.S. Senate on January 2, 2013, for a term that ended on January 27, 2017.
Scope and Coverage	It is engaged to collect, analyze, and disseminate essential economic information to support public and private decision-making. The Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) produces Economy at a Glance pages at the national, regional, state, and metropolitan area levels. Over 100 industry pages are available here.
Kind of Information	It provides information on a variety of categories like inflation & prices, employment & unemployment, pay & benefits, spending & time use, productivity, workplace injuries, regional resources etc. Region wise latest news releases can be found by clicking on that particular region in the given map. An example is given below:

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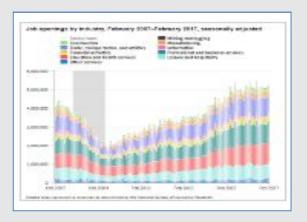
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Major occupational group	United States	Flagstaff	United States	Flagstaff	Percent difference [1]
Total, all occupations	100.0%	100.0%	\$23.23	\$19.98*	-14
Management	5.0	5.5	55.30	39.79*	-2
Business and Financial Operations	5.1	3.3*	35.48	28.78*	-19
Computer and Mathematical	2.9	1.3*	41.43	31.66*	-24
Architecture and Engineering	1.8	1.4	39.89	34.81*	-1

Subject wise and region wise data can be seen in tabular format as can be seen below:

Census data, regional economy and other related information can also be found. Data at the regional level are produced by local area unemployment statistics, consumer price index and employment cost index. Data at the State level are produced by local area unemployment statistics, state and area portion of and current employment statistics. On the other hand, data at the metropolitan area level are produced by local area unemployment statistics, the state and area portion of current employment statistics, and, for some metropolitan areas, the consumer price index.

*Workforce Statistics* section provides information relating to employment and unemployment in education and health services. Most data are obtained from employer or establishment surveys and information on industry unemployment comes from a national survey of households.

Recent articles are arranged in descending chronological order. The articles are given both in image and tabular format. Such as, private industry job openings on last business day of February'2017 shows result like:



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- ➢ Web pages can be printed directly.
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- Games and quizzes are kept for students.

	<ul><li>BLS data can be seen in videos also.</li></ul>
Arrangement Pattern	In the A-Z index, topics regarding BLS information are arranged alphabetically as follows:    A   • Absences from work (statistics)   • American Time Use Survey   • American Time Use Survey Respondents, information for   • Automotive industry (employment, earnings, and hours)   • Consumer price Index Detailed Reports   • 2017 Consumer Price Index Detailed Reports   • 2015 Consumer Price Index Detailed Reports   • 2015 Consumer Price Index Detailed Reports   • 2014 Consumer Price Index Detailed Reports
Remarks	The Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor is the principal federal agency responsible for measuring labor market activity, working conditions, and price changes in the economy. As an independent statistical agency, BLS serves its diverse user communities by providing products and services that are objective, timely, accurate, and relevant.
Comparable Tools	Labour statistics – OECD ( www.oecd.org > Statistics Directorate )
Date of Access	19 <sup>th</sup> April' 2017.