

Table 17.5—GOVERNMENT EMPLOYMENT AND POPULATION: 1962–1996

Year	Government employment							Population	
	Federal ¹				State and local governments ² (thousands)	All government units (thousands)	Federal Executive Branch civilian as a percent of all governmental units	Total United States ³ (thousands)	Federal Executive Branch civilian employment per 1,000 population
	Executive branch civilians (thousands)	Uniformed military personnel (thousands)	Legislative and judicial branch personnel (thousands)	Total Federal personnel (thousands)					
1962	2,485	2,840	30	5,354	6,549	11,903	20.9	186,538	13.3
1963 ⁴	2,498	2,732	30	5,260	6,868	12,128	20.6	189,242	13.2
1964 ⁴	2,470	2,719	31	5,220	7,248	12,468	19.8	191,889	12.9
1965	2,496	2,687	32	5,215	7,696	12,911	19.3	194,303	12.8
1966	2,726	3,129	33	5,888	8,221	14,109	19.3	196,560	13.9
1967	2,968	3,413	34	6,416	8,673	15,089	19.7	198,712	14.9
1968	3,020	3,584	35	6,639	9,102	15,741	19.2	200,706	15.0
1969 ⁵	3,040	3,499	36	6,575	9,437	16,012	19.0	202,677	15.0
1970 ⁶	2,944	3,104	38	6,085	9,822	15,907	18.5	205,052	14.4
1971 ⁶	2,883	2,752	40	5,675	10,184	15,859	18.2	207,661	13.9
1972	2,823	2,360	42	5,225	10,649	15,874	17.8	209,896	13.4
1973	2,781	2,289	44	5,113	11,069	16,182	17.2	211,909	13.1
1974	2,847	2,198	46	5,091	11,446	16,537	17.2	213,854	13.3
1975	2,848	2,164	49	5,061	11,937	16,998	16.8	215,973	13.2
1976	2,833	2,119	50	5,002	12,138	17,140	16.5	218,035	13.0
1977 ⁷	2,840	2,112	53	5,005	12,400	17,405	16.3	220,239	12.9
1978	2,875	2,099	55	5,028	12,920	17,948	16.0	222,585	12.9
1979	2,823	2,063	53	4,939	13,174	18,113	15.6	225,055	12.5
1980 ⁶	2,821	2,090	55	4,965	13,375	18,340	15.4	227,726	12.4
1981 ⁶	2,806	2,122	54	4,982	13,259	18,241	15.4	229,966	12.2
1982	2,770	2,147	55	4,972	13,098	18,070	15.3	232,188	11.9
1983	2,820	2,163	56	5,039	13,096	18,135	15.6	234,307	12.0
1984	2,854	2,178	56	5,088	13,216	18,304	15.6	236,348	12.1
1985	3,008	2,190	58	5,256	13,519	18,775	16.0	238,466	12.6
1986	2,966	2,206	55	5,228	13,794	19,022	15.6	240,651	12.3
1987	3,030	2,213	58	5,301	14,067	19,368	15.6	242,804	12.5
1988	3,054	2,176	59	5,289	14,415	19,704	15.5	245,021	12.5
1989	3,064	2,168	60	5,292	14,791	20,083	15.3	247,342	12.4
1990 ⁶	3,067	2,106	61	5,234	15,219	20,453	15.0	249,913	12.3
1991 ⁶	3,048	2,040	64	5,152	15,436	20,588	14.8	252,650	12.1
1992	3,017	1,848	66	4,931	15,675	20,606	14.6	255,419	11.8
1993	2,947	1,744	66	4,758	15,926	20,684	14.2	258,137	11.4
1994	2,908	1,648	63	4,620	16,258	20,878	13.9	260,660	11.2
1995	2,858	1,555	62	4,475	16,489	20,964	13.6	263,034	10.9
1996	2,786	1,507	61	4,354	16,669	21,023	13.3	265,253	10.5

¹ Covers total end-of-year civilian employment of full-time permanent, temporary, part-time, and intermittent employees. Executive branch includes the Postal Service, and, beginning in 1970, includes various disadvantaged youth and worker-trainee programs.

² From the Current Employment Statistics program, Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor.

³ Population estimates appear in the U.S. Bureau of the Census, Statistical Abstract of the United States: 1996

⁴ Excludes 7,411 project employees in 1963 and 406 project employees in 1964 for the public works acceleration program.

⁵ On Jan. 1, 1969, 42,000 civilian technicians of the Army and Air Force National Guard converted by law from State to Federal employment status. They are included in the Federal employment figures in this table starting with 1969.

⁶ Includes temporary employees for the decennial census.

⁷ Data for 1961 through 1976 are as of June 30; starting in 1977, data are as of September 30.