Table B–109. Civilian unemployment rate, and hourly compensation, major industrial countries, 1984–2010

[Quarterly data seasonally adjusted]

Year or quarter	United States	Canada	Japan	France	Germany [1]	Italy	United Kingdom
	Civilian unemployment rate (Percent) [2]						
1984	7.5	10.9	2.8	8.9	7.1	5.9	11.8
1985	7.2	10.1	[3]2.5	9.5	7.2	6.0	11.4
1986	7.0	9.2	2.7	9.5	6.6	[3]7.5	11.4
1987	6.2	8.4	2.6	9.6	6.3	7.9	10.5
1988	5.5	7.4	2.4	9.3	6.3	7.9	8.6
1989	5.3	7.1	2.2	8.6	5.7	7.8	7.3
1990	[3]5.6	7.7	2.0	8.3	5.0	7.0	7.1
1991	6.8	9.8	2.0	8.5	[3]5.6	[3]6.9	8.9
1992	7.5	10.6	2.1	9.4	6.7	7.3	10.0
1993	6.9	10.8	2.4	10.5	8.0	[3]9.8	10.4
1994	[3]6.1	[3]9.6	2.6	10.9	8.5	10.7	9.5
1995	5.6	8.6	2.9	10.3	8.2	11.3	8.7
1996	5.4	8.8	3.1	10.8	9.0	11.3	8.1
1997	4.9	8.4	3.1	10.9	9.9	11.4	7.0
1998	4.5	7.7	3.8	10.4	9.3	11.5	6.3
1999	4.2	7.0	4.2	10.0	[3]8.5	11.0	6.0
2000	4.0	6.1	4.4	8.5	7.8	10.2	5.5
2001	4.7	6.5	4.5	7.7	7.9	9.2	5.1
2002	5.8	7.0	4.9	7.9	8.6	8.7	5.2
2003	6.0	6.9	4.6	8.4	9.3	8.5	5.0
2004	5.5	6.4	4.2	8.8	10.3	8.1	4.8
2005	5.1	6.0	3.8	8.8	[3]11.2	7.8	4.9
2006	4.6	5.5	3.6	8.7	10.4	6.9	5.5
2007	4.6	5.3	3.6	7.9	8.7	6.2	5.4
2008	5.8	5.3	3.7	7.4	7.5	6.8	5.7
2009	9.3	7.3	4.8	9.1	7.8	7.9	7.7
2010	9.6						
2009: I	8.2	6.9	4.2	8.6	7.5	7.4	7.1
II	9.3	7.5	4.8	9.1	7.9	7.6	7.8
III	9.7	7.6	5.1	9.1	7.9	8.1	7.9
IV	10.0	7.5	4.9	9.5	7.8	8.4	7.8
2010: I	9.7	7.4	4.6	9.5	7.7	8.5	8.0
II	9.6	7.1	4.9	9.2	7.4	8.5	7.8
III	9.6	7.1	4.8	9.3	7.2	8.3	7.8
IV	9.6						
	Manufacturing hourly compensation in U.S. dollars (Index, 2002=100) [4]						
1984	48.9	64.7	31.6	37.8	32.1	43.4	30.8
1985	51.4	64.6	32.7	39.9	32.8	44.8	32.7
1986	53.8	64.6	48.2	54.2	46.3	61.2	40.3
1987	55.6	69.3	57.8	65.1	58.4	75.9	49.9
1988	57.5	78.1	66.8	68.0	62.2	81.2	57.9
1989	59.3	85.0	65.7	66.9	61.1	85.0	56.9
1990	62.1	91.9	66.8	81.9	76.4	104.8	69.3
1991	65.8	100.2	76.6	83.7	79.1	110.1	77.2
1992	68.9	99.5	84.3	93.8	92.0	118.0	77.1
1993	70.5	94.3	98.9	91.6	92.2	96.3	68.5
1994	72.2	91.6	109.5	97.0	98.4	99.1	71.7
1995	73.4	93.4	123.1	111.1	117.4	103.7	75.2
1996	74.6	95.4	107.3	110.3	117.0	115.5	74.2
1997	76.5	96.3	99.7	99.5	103.4	109.5	81.3
1998	81.2	94.5	94.4	99.3	103.4	105.5	88.6
1999	84.8	96.4	108.6	98.2	101.4	103.3	91.8
2000	91.3	99.5	113.9	89.6	92.4	91.9	91.0
2001	94.8	98.1	102.3	89.3	92.4	92.0	90.6
2002	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
2003	108.0	116.6	105.7	122.5	122.4	124.2	114.2
2004	108.9	130.3	114.3	138.8	135.2	141.2	133.8
2005	112.5	146.2	113.2	144.0	137.1	145.9	140.7
2006	114.7	162.3	106.1	151.0	144.0	150.4	150.3
2007	118.5	177.6	103.1	168.9	158.8	168.8	168.9
2008	123.2	179.3	119.7	186.4	175.0	187.4	159.6
2009	129.6	167.1	130.7	179.5	173.9	186.8	138.5

[1] Prior to 1991 data are for West Germany only.

[2] Civilian unemployment rates, approximating U.S. concepts. Quarterly data for Germany should be viewed as less precise indicators of unemployment under U.S. concepts than the annual data.

[3] There are breaks in the series for Canada (1994), Germany (1991, 1999, and 2005), Italy (1986, 1991, and 1993), Japan (1985), and United States (1990 and 1994). For details, see *International Comparisons of Annual Labor Force Statistics, Adjusted to U.S. Concepts, 10 Countries, 1970–2009*, June 2, 2010, Appendix B, at http://www.bls.gov/fls/flscomparelf/notes.htm#country_notes.

[4] Hourly compensation in manufacturing, U.S. dollar basis; data relate to all employed persons (employees and self-employed workers). For details on manufacturing hourly compensation, see *International Comparisons of Manufacturing Productivity and Unit Labor Cost Trends, 2009*, December 21, 2010.

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