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Nonfarm private employment decreased 491,000 from March to April 2009 on a seasonally adjusted basis, according to the *ADP National Employment Report*[®]. The estimated change of employment from February to March was revised by 34,000, from a decline of 742,000 to a decline of 708,000.

April's *ADP Report* estimates nonfarm private employment in the service-providing sector fell by 229,000. Employment in the goods-producing sector declined 262,000, with employment in the manufacturing sector dropping 159,000, its thirty-eighth consecutive monthly decline.

Large businesses, defined as those with 500 or more workers, saw employment decline by 77,000, while medium-size businesses with between 50 and 499 workers declined 231,000. Employment among small-size businesses, defined as those with fewer than 50 workers, declined 183,000. The employment declines among medium- and small-size businesses indicate that the recession continues to spread beyond manufacturing and housing-related activities to almost every area of the economy.

In April, construction employment dropped 95,000. This was its twenty-seventh consecutive monthly decline, and brings the total decline in construction jobs since the peak in January 2007 to 1,261,000. April's decline, however, was the smallest since November of 2008.

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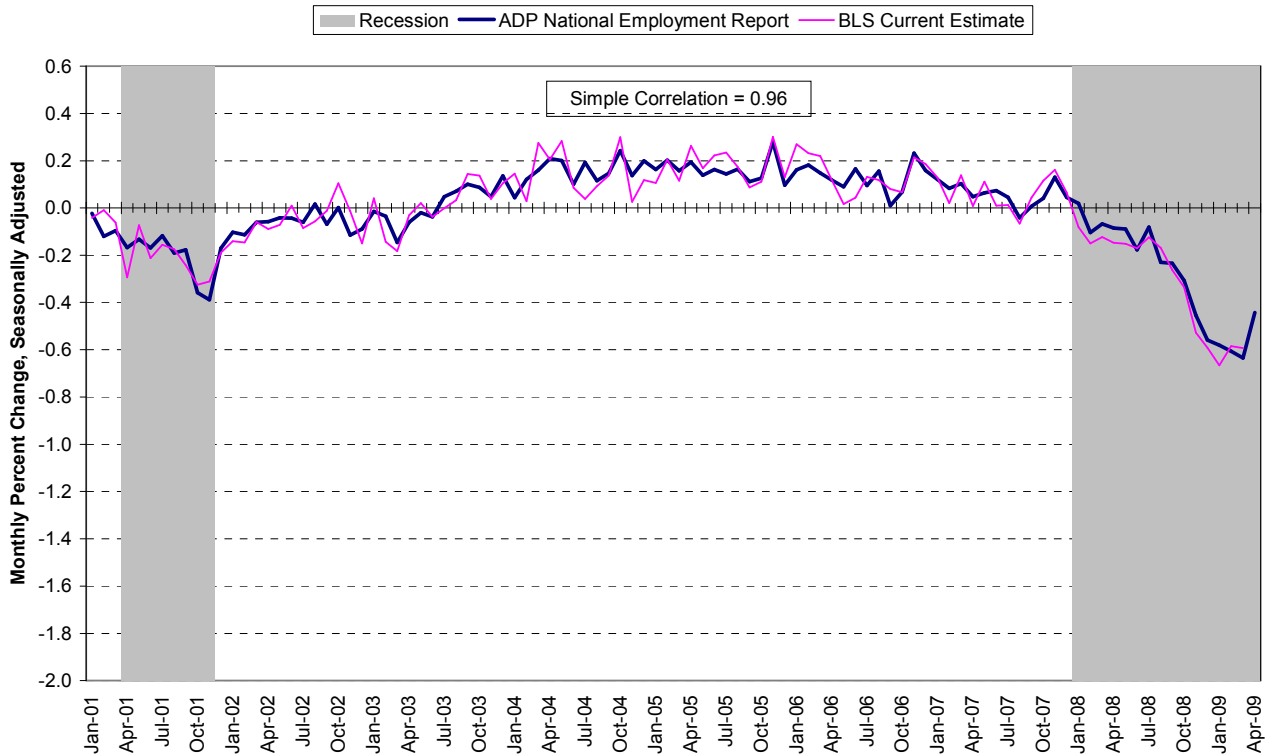
Table 1. Employees on nonfarm private payrolls by selected industry sector and size
(In thousands)

Industry / Size of Payroll	Seasonally Adjusted						Change from: Mar. 2009 - Apr. 2009p
	Nov. 2008	Dec. 2008	Jan. 2009	Feb. 2009	Mar. 2009p	Apr. 2009p	
Total nonfarm private	113,472	112,838	112,183	111,502	110,794	110,303	-491
Small (1-49).....	50,060	49,808	49,576	49,317	49,044	48,861	-183
Medium (50-499).....	44,549	44,267	43,967	43,666	43,353	43,122	-231
Large (> 499).....	18,863	18,763	18,640	18,519	18,397	18,320	-77
Goods-producing	20,822	20,562	20,272	19,937	19,613	19,351	-262
Small (1-49).....	7,527	7,436	7,347	7,230	7,117	7,026	-91
Medium (50-499).....	9,198	9,071	8,927	8,776	8,626	8,501	-125
Large (> 499).....	4,097	4,055	3,998	3,931	3,870	3,824	-46
Service-providing	92,650	92,276	91,911	91,565	91,181	90,952	-229
Small (1-49).....	42,533	42,372	42,229	42,087	41,927	41,835	-92
Medium (50-499).....	35,351	35,196	35,040	34,890	34,727	34,621	-106
Large (> 499).....	14,766	14,708	14,642	14,588	14,527	14,496	-31
Addendum:							
Manufacturing.....	13,031	12,878	12,686	12,473	12,277	12,118	-159

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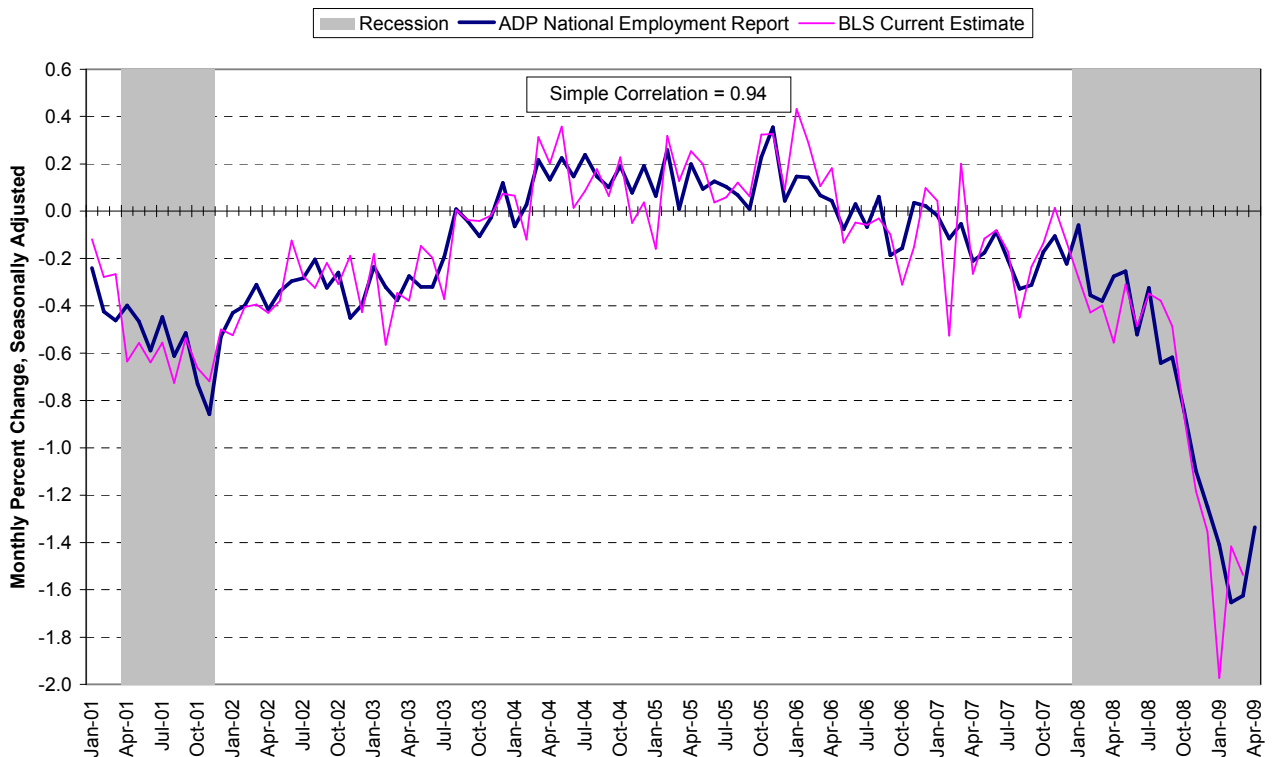
The matched sample used to develop the *ADP National Employment Report* was derived from ADP data which, during the last six months of 2008, averaged approximately 400,000 payrolls representing nearly 24 million U.S. employees. This approximately represents the size of the matched sample used this month.

Chart 1. Growth of Nonfarm Private Employment, All Industries



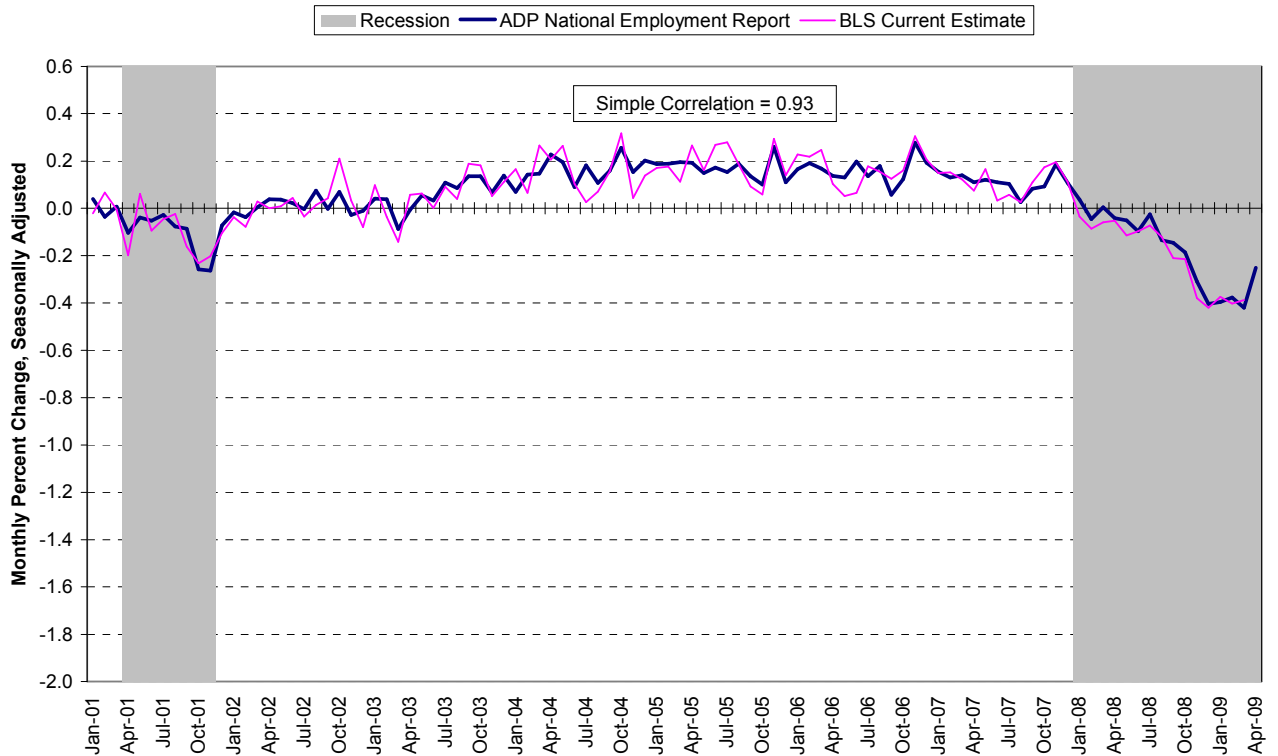
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Chart 2. Growth of Nonfarm Private Employment, Goods-Producing Industries



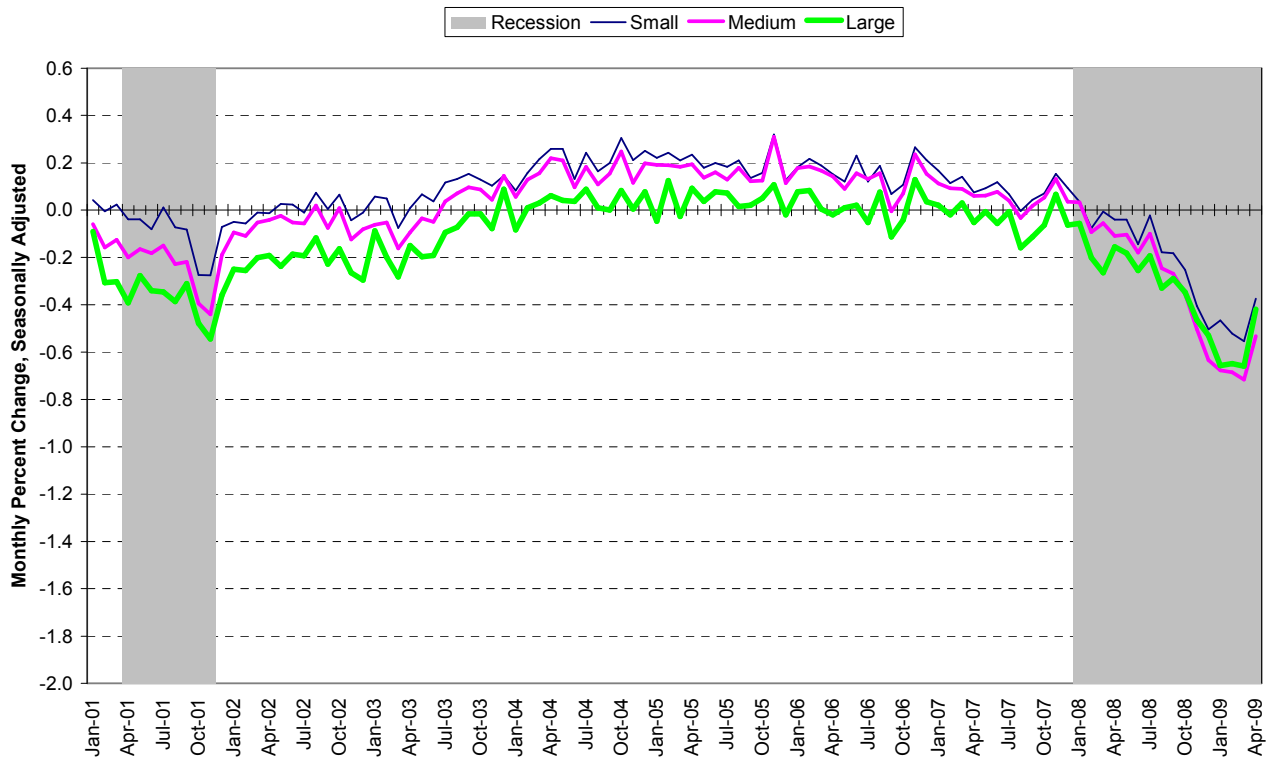
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Chart 3. Growth of Nonfarm Private Employment, Service-Providing Industries



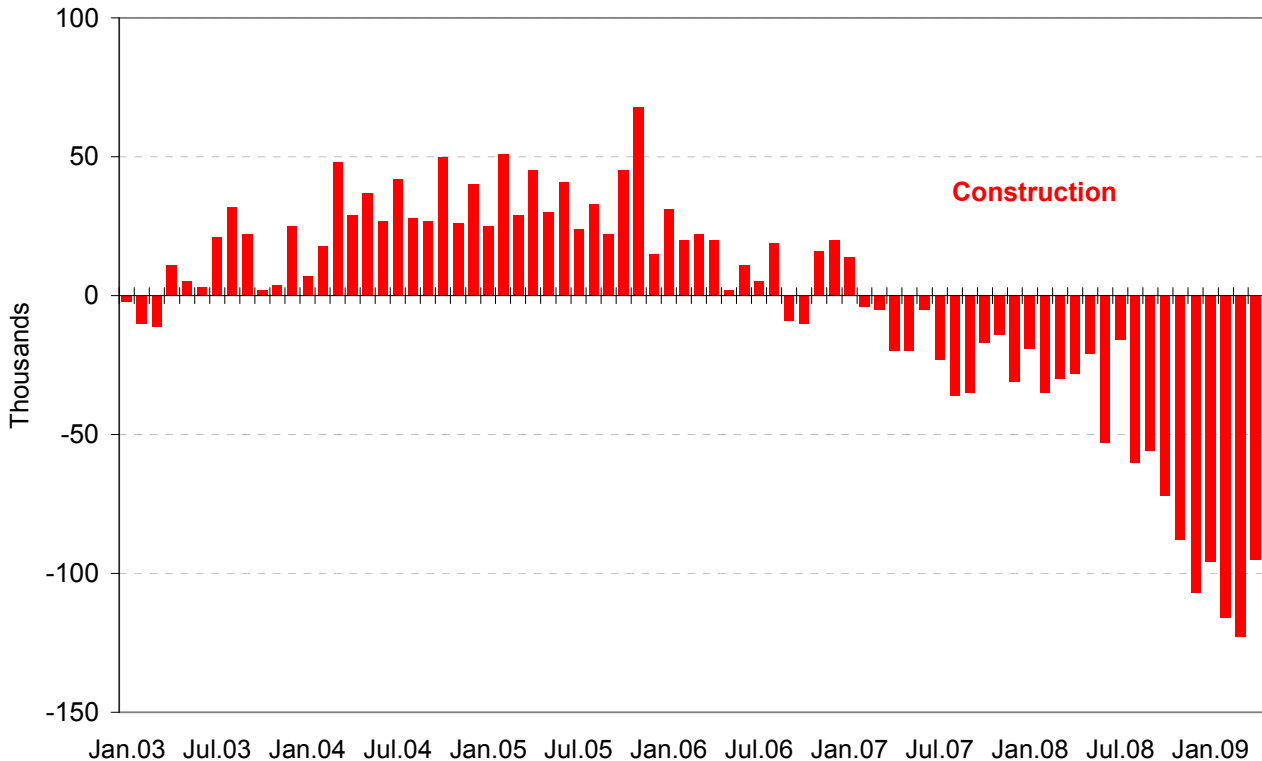
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Chart 4. Growth of Nonfarm Private Employment, by Size of Payroll



Source: Automatic Data Processing, Inc., Macroeconomic Advisers, LLC.

Chart 5. Monthly Changes of Employment in Construction and Financial Activities



Source: Automatic Data Processing, Inc., Macroeconomic Advisers, LLC

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The *ADP National Employment Report*, sponsored by ADP[®], was developed and is maintained by Macroeconomic Advisers, LLC. It is a measure of employment derived from an anonymous subset of roughly 500,000 U.S. business clients. During the last six months of 2008, this subset represented approximately 400,000 U.S. business clients representing nearly 24 million U.S. employees working in all private industrial sectors. The data is collected for pay periods that can be interpolated to include the week of the 12th of each month, and processed with statistical methodologies similar to those used by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics to compute employment from its monthly survey of establishments. Due to this processing, this subset is modified to make it indicative of national employment levels; therefore, the resulting employment changes computed for the *ADP National Employment Report* are not representative of changes in ADP’s total base of U.S. business clients.

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