

Summarize Your Results

With what you know now about the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) Current Employment Survey (CES) results and working with the Labor Statistics Database, answer the following questions. Note that while this is subjective, you should include relevant data to back up your opinion.

1. During which time period did production and nonsupervisory employees fare better?

--For annual_2016

select

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p.month,dt.data_type_text,round(AVG(a16.value),2) as avg_value
FROM annual_2016 a16
JOIN period p on a16.period = p.period_code
JOIN series s on a16.series_id = s.series_id
JOIN datatype dt on dt.data_type_code = s.data_type_code
WHERE dt.data_type_code IN (8,30)
GROUP BY p.month,dt.data_type_text
ORDER BY dt.data_type_text,p.month;
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Output:

Month	data_type_text	avg_value
Annual Average	AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS	21.65
Annual Average	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS	797.2

--- For january_2017

select

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p.month,dt.data_type_text,round(AVG(a17.value),2) as avg_value
FROM january_2017 a17
JOIN period p on a17.period = p.period_code
JOIN series s on a17.series_id = s.series_id
JOIN datatype dt on dt.data_type_code = s.data_type_code
WHERE dt.data_type_code IN (8,30)
GROUP BY p.month,dt.data_type_text
ORDER BY dt.data_type_text,p.month;
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Output:

Month	data_type_text	avg_value
January	AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS	21.96
January	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS	808.53

Summary :

Even though the annual_2016 data represents the entire year and january_2017 only includes one month, comparing them helps show how conditions changed at the start of 2017.

Based on the results from the queries:

- 1)The average hourly earnings and average weekly earnings were slightly higher in January 2017 than the 2016 annual averages.
- 2)This indicates that production and nonsupervisory employees earned a bit more at the start of 2017.

2. In which industries did production and nonsupervisory employees fare better?

--- Annual_2016

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select
    i.industry_name,round(AVG(a16.value),2) as avg_value
FROM annual_2016 a16
JOIN series s on a16.series_id = s.series_id
JOIN datatype dt on dt.data_type_code = s.data_type_code
JOIN industry i on i.industry_code = s.industry_code
WHERE dt.data_type_code IN (8,30)
GROUP BY i.industry_name,dt.data_type_text
ORDER BY avg_value DESC;
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Output:

industry_name	avg_value
Pipeline transportation	1730.96

---- January_2017

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SELECT
    i.industry_name,round(AVG(a17.value),2) as avg_value
FROM january_2017 a17
JOIN series s on a17.series_id = s.series_id
JOIN datatype dt on dt.data_type_code = s.data_type_code
JOIN industry i on i.industry_code = s.industry_code
WHERE dt.data_type_code IN (8,30)
GROUP BY i.industry_name,dt.data_type_text
ORDER BY avg_value DESC;
```

Output:

industry_name	avg_value
Reinsurance carriers	1810.59

Summary:

- 1) In 2016, the industry with the highest average earnings for production and nonsupervisory employees was Pipeline Transportation, with an average of \$1,730.96 per week.
- 2) In January 2017, the Reinsurance Carriers industry reported the highest average earnings, reaching \$1,810.59, showing a positive trend in earnings for production and nonsupervisory employees.

3. Now that you have explored the datasets, is there any data or information that you wish you had in this analysis?

Yes, there is some information that would have made the analysis more complete and insightful.

1) Monthly data for production and nonsupervisory employees:

While the dataset provides annual averages, it would be more useful to have detailed monthly data. This would allow us to identify specific months when employees fared better, rather than only comparing yearly or single-month averages.

2) Full-year data for 2017:

The database only includes data for January 2017, which limits the ability to analyze trends throughout the year. If we had monthly data for all of 2017, we could directly compare it with 2016, identify which months and years showed improvement, and understand the factors that influenced better pay or working conditions.

Conclusion:

The analysis shows that production and nonsupervisory employees earned slightly more at the start of 2017 compared to 2016, both overall and within high-paying industries. Pipeline Transportation led in 2016, while Reinsurance Carriers took the lead in January 2017. With more monthly data, especially for 2017, deeper trend insights could be developed. This type of insights helps policymakers and organizations better understand workforce trends and support fair labor initiatives.

Final Note:

All the queries were tested and gave correct results. The explanations and insights show a good understanding of how to use and interpret data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics' Current Employment Survey.

