

Table 2. Work Stoppages Involving 10,000 or More Workers, Selected Periods

Period	Stoppages involving 10,000 or more workers				
	Number	Workers involved		Man-days idle	
		Number (thousands)	Percent of total for period	Number (thousands) ¹	Percent of total for period
1935-39 average	11	365	32.4	5,290	31.2
1947-49 average	18	1,270	53.4	23,800	59.9
1945	42	1,350	38.9	19,300	50.7
1946	31	2,920	63.6	66,400	57.2
1947	15	1,030	47.5	17,700	51.2
1948	20	870	44.5	18,900	55.3
1949	18	1,920	63.2	34,900	69.0
1950	22	738	30.7	21,700	56.0
1951	19	457	20.6	5,680	24.8
1952	35	1,690	47.8	36,900	62.6
1953	28	650	27.1	7,270	25.7
1954	18	437	28.5	7,520	33.3
1955	26	1,210	45.6	12,300	43.4
1956	12	758	39.9	19,600	59.1
1957	13	283	20.4	3,050	18.5
1958	21	823	40.0	10,600	44.2
1959	20	845	45.0	50,800	73.7
1960	17	384	29.2	7,140	37.4

¹ Includes idleness in stoppages beginning in earlier years.

Table 3. Work Stoppages by Month, 1959-60

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Month	Number of stoppages		Workers involved in stoppages			Man-days idle during month	
	Beginning in month	In effect during month	Beginning in month (thousands)	In effect during month		Number (thousands)	Percent of estimated total working time
				Number (thousands)	Percent of total employed		
1959							
January -----	217	378	76	168	0.39	1,800	0.20
February -----	206	347	74	130	.31	1,360	.16
March -----	305	462	103	159	.37	1,270	.13
April -----	406	593	149	233	.54	2,380	.25
May -----	442	688	167	294	.67	3,010	.33
June -----	460	722	183	330	.74	2,890	.29
July -----	420	681	668	787	1.78	9,230	.95
August -----	380	636	161	757	1.71	13,400	1.44
September -----	322	624	109	781	1.76	13,800	1.48
October -----	277	548	125	775	1.75	14,100	1.45
November -----	161	402	41	652	1.47	4,300	.48
December -----	112	285	23	101	.22	1,430	.14
1960							
January -----	191	313	71	131	.30	1,110	.13
February -----	242	373	65	128	.29	1,280	.14
March -----	270	430	85	130	.30	1,550	.15
April -----	352	535	150	222	.50	1,930	.21
May -----	367	574	156	236	.53	2,110	.23
June -----	400	629	214	314	.70	2,950	.30
July -----	319	530	125	233	.52	2,140	.24
August -----	361	554	134	221	.49	1,700	.16
September -----	271	500	131	209	.46	1,650	.17
October -----	258	432	106	146	.33	1,500	.16
November -----	192	368	53	85	.19	732	.08
December -----	110	250	28	53	.12	458	.05

Table 4. Major Issues Involved in Work Stoppages, 1960

Major issues	Stoppages beginning in 1960				Man-days idle during 1960 (all stoppages)	
	Number	Percent of total	Workers involved		Number	Percent of total
			Number	Percent of total		
All issues -----	3,333	100.0	1,320,000	100.0	19,100,000	100.0
Wages, hours, and supplementary benefits -----	1,592	47.8	568,000	43.1	10,500,000	55.2
Wage increase -----	1,059	31.8	341,000	25.9	7,510,000	39.3
Wage decrease -----	12	.4	1,410	.1	26,400	.1
Wage increase, hour decrease -----	26	.8	12,700	1.0	187,000	1.0
Wage decrease, hour increase -----	2	.1	100	(¹)	1,250	(¹)
Wage increase, pension and/or social insurance benefits -----	195	5.9	119,000	9.0	1,800,000	9.4
Pension and/or social insurance benefits -----	33	1.0	8,690	.7	101,000	.5
Other ² -----	265	8.0	84,700	6.4	911,000	4.8
Union organization, wages, hours, and supplementary benefits -----	299	9.0	199,000	15.1	4,150,000	21.7
Recognition, wages, and/or hours -----	188	5.6	17,200	1.3	280,000	1.5
Strengthening bargaining position, wages, and/or hours -----	3	.1	230	(¹)	5,440	(¹)
Union security, wages, and/or hours -----	106	3.2	181,000	13.8	3,860,000	20.2
Discrimination, wages, and/or hours -----	1	(¹)	250	(¹)	7,000	(¹)
Other -----	1	(¹)	10	(¹)	540	(¹)
Union organization -----	239	7.2	46,600	3.5	733,000	3.8
Recognition -----	150	4.5	29,700	2.3	175,000	.9
Strengthening bargaining position -----	14	.4	4,850	.4	275,000	1.4
Union security -----	61	1.8	10,600	.8	268,000	1.4
Discrimination -----	3	.1	450	(¹)	660	(¹)
Other -----	11	.3	1,020	.1	15,100	.1
Other working conditions -----	800	24.0	463,000	35.2	3,460,000	18.1
Job security -----	361	10.8	202,000	15.3	1,930,000	10.1
Shop conditions and policies -----	380	11.4	213,000	16.1	1,110,000	5.8
Workload -----	48	1.4	45,200	3.4	375,000	2.0
Other -----	11	.3	3,750	.3	48,400	.3
Interunion or intraunion matters -----	310	9.3	31,100	2.4	140,000	.7
Sympathy -----	34	1.0	5,820	.4	15,800	.1
Union rivalry ³ -----	21	.6	1,400	.1	12,400	.1
Jurisdiction ⁴ -----	253	7.6	23,900	1.8	112,000	.6
Union administration ⁵ -----	2	.1	50	(¹)	110	(¹)
Not reported -----	93	2.8	9,450	.7	77,200	.4

¹ Less than 0.05 percent.² Issues such as retroactivity, holidays, vacations, job classification, piece rates, incentive standards, or other related matters unaccompanied by proposals to effect general changes in wage rates are included in this category. Slightly more than a third of the stoppages in this group occurred over piece rates or incentive standards.³ Includes disputes between unions of different affiliation, such as those between unions affiliated with AFL-CIO and nonaffiliates.⁴ Includes disputes between unions of the same affiliation.⁵ Includes disputes within a union over the administration of union affairs or regulations.

NOTE: Because of rounding, sums of individual items may not equal totals.

Table 5. Work Stoppages by Industry Group, 1960

Industry group	Stoppages beginning in 1960		Man-days idle during 1960 (all stoppages)	
	Number	Workers involved	Number	Percent of estimated total working time
All industries -----	¹ 3,333	1,320,000	19,100,000	0.17
Manufacturing -----	¹ 1,598	707,000	11,200,000	0.27
Primary metal industries -----	158	94,300	1,880,000	0.62
Fabricated metal products, except ordnance, machinery, and transportation equipment -----	195	44,200	579,000	.21
Ordnance and accessories -----	3	9,540	136,000	.36
Electrical machinery, equipment, and supplies -----	102	96,600	1,260,000	.38
Machinery, except electrical -----	144	68,500	1,240,000	.30
Transportation equipment -----	122	189,000	3,550,000	.85
Lumber and wood products, except furniture -----	39	4,970	103,000	.06
Furniture and fixtures -----	81	13,400	183,000	.18
Stone, clay, and glass products -----	98	18,200	228,000	.16
Textile mill products -----	30	4,770	34,000	.01
Apparel and other finished products made from fabrics and similar materials -----	87	12,100	134,000	.04
Leather and leather products -----	32	5,730	64,100	.07
Food and kindred products -----	184	65,700	651,000	.17
Tobacco manufactures -----	2	2,150	11,300	.05
Paper and allied products -----	52	8,900	136,000	.09
Printing, publishing, and allied industries -----	38	4,920	186,000	.08
Chemicals and allied products -----	91	21,600	314,000	.14
Petroleum refining and related industries -----	12	2,360	79,800	.14
Rubber and miscellaneous plastics products -----	53	29,600	261,000	.40
Professional, scientific, and controlling instruments; photographic and optical goods; watches and clocks -----	29	6,370	94,800	.11
Miscellaneous manufacturing industries -----	54	4,650	74,400	.06
Nonmanufacturing -----	¹ 1,740	610,000	7,900,000	² .11
Agriculture, forestry, and fisheries -----	81	7,600	160,000	(³)
Mining -----	154	48,500	700,000	0.41
Contract construction -----	773	269,000	4,470,000	.63
Wholesale and retail trade -----	290	32,600	451,000	.02
Finance, insurance, and real estate -----	6	6,030	7,160	(³)
Transportation, communication, electric, gas, and sanitary services -----	266	200,000	1,750,000	.18
Services -----	138	17,600	304,000	(³)
Government -----	36	28,600	58,400	(³)

¹ Stoppages extending into 2 or more industry groups have been counted in each industry group affected; workers involved and man-days idle were allocated to the respective groups.

² Excludes government.

³ Not available.

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