

TABLE 4.—Major is

Major issues	V
	Number
All issues -----	5,091
Wages, hours, and fringe benefits ² ----	2,825
Wage increase -----	1,798
Wage decrease -----	23
Wage increase, hour decrease -----	89
Wage increase, pension and/or social insurance benefits -----	277
Pension and/or social insurance benefits -----	48
Other ³ -----	590
Union organization wages, hours, and fringe benefits ² -----	202
Recognition, wages and/or hours ----	119
Strengthening bargaining position, wages and/or hours -----	26
Closed or union shop, wages and/or hours -----	57
Union organization -----	543
Recognition -----	361
Strengthening bargaining position ----	38
Closed or union shop -----	89
Discrimination -----	10
Other -----	45
Other working conditions -----	1,135
Job security -----	502
Shop conditions and policies -----	540
Workload -----	77
Other ⁵ -----	16
Interunion or intraunion matters -----	275
Sympathy -----	64
Union rivalry or factionalism ⁶ -----	49
Jurisdiction -----	158
Union regulations -----	3
Other -----	1
Not reported -----	111

¹ The sum of the individual items may not agree with the figures in this and subsequent tables.

² "Fringe benefits" has been added to the definition of no change from previous years in definition or content.

³ Includes stoppages in which the major issue was work rates, and related matters.

⁴ Less than a tenth of 1 percent.

⁵ This group includes protest strikes against

Issues involved in work stoppages, 1953

Work stoppages beginning in 1953				Man-days idle during 1953 (all stoppages)	
	Percent of total ¹	Workers involved			
		Number ¹	Percent of total ¹	Number ¹	Percent of total ¹
	100.0	2,400,000	100.0	28,300,000	100.0
	55.5	1,460,000	60.8	21,800,000	77.1
	35.3	836,000	34.8	14,500,000	51.5
	.5	9,250	.4	133,000	.5
	1.7	78,200	3.3	1,060,000	3.7
	5.4	177,000	7.4	2,540,000	9.0
	.9	52,600	2.2	234,000	.8
	11.6	307,000	12.8	3,280,000	11.6
	4.0	45,200	1.9	1,250,000	4.4
	2.3	12,000	.5	317,000	1.1
	.5	17,100	.7	505,000	1.8
	1.1	16,100	.7	424,000	1.5
	10.7	117,000	4.9	935,000	3.3
	7.1	30,500	1.3	520,000	1.8
	.7	6,500	.3	90,100	.3
	1.7	16,700	.7	195,000	.7
	.2	920	(⁴)	10,800	(⁴)
	.9	62,500	2.6	120,000	.4
	22.3	638,000	26.6	3,560,000	12.6
	9.9	235,000	9.8	1,730,000	6.1
	10.6	326,000	13.6	1,300,000	4.6
	1.5	53,500	2.2	493,000	1.7
	.3	23,600	1.0	35,800	.1
	5.4	130,000	5.4	684,000	2.4
	1.3	19,700	.8	107,000	.4
	1.0	50,800	2.1	234,000	.8
	3.1	56,600	2.4	327,000	1.2
	.1	900	(⁴)	11,000	(⁴)
	(⁴)	1,500	.1	4,500	(⁴)
	2.2	13,200	.6	45,900	.2

not equal the totals for the group because of rounding the individual

title only to indicate inclusion of nonwage benefits. There has been

content of these groups.

issue was retroactivity, holidays, vacations, job classification, piece-

action or lack of action by Government agencies

TABLE 5.—Work stoppage

Industry group	
All industries	
MANUFACTURING	
Primary metal industries	
Fabricated metal products (except ordnance, machinery, and transportation equipment)	
Ordnance and accessories	
Electrical machinery, equipment, and supplies	
Machinery (except electrical)	
Transportation equipment	
Lumber and wood products (except furniture)	
Furniture and fixtures	
Stone, clay, and glass products	
Textile mill products	
Apparel and other finished products made from fabrics and similar materials	
Leather and leather products	
Food and kindred products	
Tobacco manufactures	
Paper and allied products	
Printing, publishing, and allied industries	
Chemicals and allied products	
Products of petroleum and coal	
Rubber products	
Professional, scientific, and controlling instruments; photographic and optical goods; watches and clocks	
Miscellaneous manufacturing industries	
NONMANUFACTURING	
Agriculture, forestry, and fishing	
Mining	
Construction	
Trade	
Finance, insurance, and real estate	
Transportation, communication, and other public utilities	
Services—personal, business, and other	
Government—administration, protection, and sanitation ⁵	

¹ See footnote 3, table 1.

² See footnotes 4 and 5, table 1.

³ The sum of the figures in this column exceeds industry groups have been counted in this column in each were divided among the respective groups.

⁴ Not available.

⁵ Municipally operated utilities are included under

Stoppages by industry group, 1953

Stoppages beginning in 1953		Man-days idle during 1953 (all stoppages)	
Number	Workers involved ¹	Number	Percent of estimated working time of all workers ²
5,091	2,400,000	28,300,000	0.26
2,612	1,320,000	15,600,000	0.36
312	202,000	1,510,000	.45
291	102,000	1,690,000	.57
23	21,400	164,000	.32
137	76,600	1,620,000	.53
286	126,000	2,150,000	.50
179	300,000	2,730,000	.55
125	19,800	512,000	.26
134	25,100	269,000	.28
128	19,400	316,000	.23
88	26,600	593,000	.19
193	35,600	296,000	.09
48	11,900	99,100	.10
213	98,400	1,210,000	.30
4	480	20,800	.08
45	15,400	222,000	.16
44	21,300	245,000	.12
107	36,500	825,000	.43
19	2,610	105,000	.16
102	141,000	493,000	.71
41	11,400	246,000	.29
105	21,000	280,000	.22
2,479	1,090,000	12,700,000	.19
14	8,140	113,000	(⁴)
460	156,000	846,000	.40
1,039	574,000	8,000,000	1.22
408	71,200	1,050,000	.04
13	950	21,600	(⁴)
372	256,000	2,380,000	.22
145	14,400	202,000	(⁴)
30	6,280	53,400	(⁴)

5,091 because a few stoppages extending into two or more industry group affected; workers involved and man-days idle

"Transportation, communication, and other public utilities".