

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

¹ Includes idleness in stoppages beginning in earlier years.

TABLE 3. WORK STOPPAGES BY MONTH, 1957-58

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 working time of all workers
				Number (thousands)	Percent of total employed		
1957							
January	240	341	57	73	0.16	618	0.06
February	229	361	59	121	.27	925	.10
March	276	402	77	107	.24	802	.09
April	389	522	165	203	.45	1,610	.16
May	446	634	179	243	.54	1,990	.20
June	388	577	154	238	.52	2,050	.23
July	415	603	129	228	.50	2,480	.25
August	370	601	136	226	.49	1,690	.17
September	335	518	243	279	.61	1,730	.19
October	293	471	95	159	.35	1,410	.13
November	184	340	63	109	.24	765	.08
December	108	220	31	54	.12	404	.04
1958							
January	208	307	83	98	.23	595	.06
February	159	262	36	52	.12	404	.05
March	195	309	159	182	.43	1,240	.14
April	293	411	82	122	.29	1,100	.12
May	360	519	156	200	.48	1,940	.22
June	374	552	156	247	.58	1,850	.21
July	399	596	159	238	.56	2,160	.23
August	403	638	162	288	.67	2,160	.24
September	471	712	324	414	.96	2,400	.26
October	391	637	463	531	1.23	5,420	.55
November	305	497	224	296	.68	2,210	.27
December	136	357	58	169	.39	2,430	.25

TABLE 4. MAJOR ISSUES INVOLVED IN WORK STOPPAGES, 1958

Major issues	Stoppages beginning in 1958				Man-days idle during 1958 (all stoppages)	
	Number	Percent of total	Workers involved		Number	Percent of total
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All issues	3,694	100.0	2,060,000	100.0	23,900,000	100.0
Wages, hours, and supplementary benefits	1,875	50.8	1,380,000	67.2	18,300,000	76.7
Wage increase	1,204	32.6	979,000	47.5	11,800,000	49.5
Wage decrease	27	.7	6,230	.3	77,100	.3
Wage increase, hour decrease	42	1.1	29,800	1.4	200,000	.8
Wage increase, pension, and/or social insurance benefits	290	7.9	199,000	9.6	3,700,000	15.5
Pension and/or social insurance benefits	21	.6	9,150	.4	188,000	.8
Other ¹	291	7.9	162,000	7.9	2,330,000	9.7
Union organization, wages, hours, and supplementary benefits	221	6.0	33,300	1.6	1,260,000	5.3
Recognition, wage, and/or hours	153	4.1	8,170	.4	284,000	1.2
Strengthening bargaining position, wages, and/or hours	25	.7	18,400	.9	782,000	3.3
Union security, wages, and/or hours	43	1.2	6,790	.3	194,000	.8
Discrimination, wages, and/or hours	-	-	-	-	² 1,080	(³)
Union organization	362	9.8	39,600	1.9	639,000	2.7
Recognition	252	6.8	13,300	.6	286,000	1.2
Strengthening bargaining position	24	.6	11,800	.6	228,000	1.0
Union security	69	1.9	11,400	.6	98,500	.4
Discrimination	8	.2	290	(³)	14,300	.1
Other	9	.2	2,790	.1	11,800	(³)
Other working conditions	876	23.7	558,000	27.1	3,430,000	14.4
Job security	434	11.7	254,000	12.3	1,990,000	8.3
Shop conditions and policies	358	9.7	258,000	12.5	1,120,000	4.7
Workload	81	2.2	43,200	2.1	295,000	1.2
Other	3	.1	2,840	.1	27,300	.1
Interunion or intraunion matters	321	8.7	42,100	2.0	218,000	.9
Sympathy	59	1.6	16,200	.8	84,500	.4
Union rivalry ⁴	24	.6	1,470	.1	20,600	.1
Jurisdiction ⁵	232	6.3	22,400	1.1	105,000	.4
Union administration ⁶	3	.1	1,540	.1	6,300	(³)
Other	3	.1	440	(³)	890	(³)
Not reported	39	1.1	3,190	.2	15,500	.1

¹ 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 less than a third of the stoppages in this group occurred over piece rates or incentive standards.

² Idleness in 1958 resulting from stoppage that began in 1957.

³ Less than 0.05 percent.

⁴ Includes disputes between unions of different affiliation such as those between unions affiliated with the AFL-CIO and nonaffiliates.

⁵ Includes disputes between unions of the same affiliation.

⁶ 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, 1958

Industry group	Stoppages beginning in 1958		Man-days idle during 1958 (all stoppages)	
	Number	Workers involved	Number	Percent of estimated working time of all workers
All industries -----	¹ 3,694	2,060,000	23,900,000	0.22
Manufacturing -----	¹ 1,955	1,490,000	15,400,000	0.39
Primary metal industries -----	167	102,000	711,000	.25
Fabricated metal products, except ordnance, machinery, and transportation equipment -----	256	147,000	1,220,000	.46
Ordnance and accessories -----	12	12,800	94,700	.29
Electrical machinery, equipment, and supplies -----	93	102,000	1,030,000	.36
Machinery, except electrical -----	223	152,000	2,760,000	.72
Transportation equipment -----	210	551,000	4,310,000	1.06
Lumber and wood products, except furniture -----	69	18,200	282,000	.18
Furniture and fixtures -----	74	13,800	254,000	.28
Stone, clay, and glass products -----	117	44,900	1,200,000	.91
Textile mill products -----	51	6,370	111,000	.05
Apparel and other finished products made from fabrics and similar materials -----	126	152,000	1,100,000	.37
Leather and leather products -----	41	7,720	78,900	.09
Food and kindred products -----	176	60,600	661,000	.18
Tobacco manufactures -----	4	270	2,170	(²)
Paper and allied products -----	60	18,100	252,000	.18
Printing, publishing, and allied industries -----	46	22,300	324,000	.15
Chemicals and allied products -----	100	20,300	318,000	.15
Petroleum refining and related industries -----	16	8,090	141,000	.23
Rubber and miscellaneous plastics products -----	58	23,800	147,000	.24
Professional, scientific, and controlling instruments; photographic and optical goods; watches and clocks -----	27	14,300	233,000	.29
Miscellaneous manufacturing industries -----	58	8,330	141,000	.12
Nonmanufacturing -----	¹ 1,739	574,000	8,520,000	³ .12
Agriculture, forestry, and fisheries -----	6	4,010	14,300	(⁴)
Mining -----	168	38,600	302,000	.16
Contract construction -----	844	326,000	4,790,000	.71
Wholesale and retail trade -----	358	57,000	942,000	.03
Finance, insurance, and real estate -----	8	600	4,560	(⁴)
Transportation, communication, electric, gas, and sanitary services -----	242	132,000	2,270,000	.23
Services -----	102	14,100	196,000	(⁴)
Government -----	15	1,720	7,510	(⁴)

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 Less than 0.005 percent.

³ Excludes government.

⁴ Not available.

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