

This latter has not been included, for the obvious reason that the expenditure varies greatly according to the size of the volume published and the number of copies printed.

State.	Designation of Bureau.	Date of Creation.	Amount of appropriation for first year of existence.	Amount of appropriation for the current year.	Increase.
United States ...	Department of Labour ...	1885	dollars. 25,000	dollars. 168,270	dollars. 143,270
Massachusetts ...	Bureau of Labour Statistics ...	1869	9,500	10,800	1,300
New Jersey ...	Bureau of Statistics of Labour and Industries	1878	5,700	7,700	2,000
Illinois ...	Bureau of Labour Statistics ...	1879	3,000	8,500	5,500
Indiana ...	Bureau of Statistics ...	1879	3,500	11,000	7,500
Michigan ...	Bureau of Labour and Industrial Statistics	1883	8,500	11,500	3,000
Missouri ...	Bureau of Labour Statistics and Inspection	1883	4,000	8,000	4,000
New York ...	Bureau of Statistics of Labour ...	1883	6,700	25,000	18,300
Connecticut ...	Bureau of Labour Statistics ...	1885	9,000	9,000	—
Kansas ...	Bureau of Labour Statistics ...	1885	3,000	4,000	1,000
Colorado ...	Bureau of Labour Statistics ...	1887	3,200	3,200	—
Maine ...	Bureau of Industrial and Labour Statistics	1887	2,500	3,500	1,000
Minnesota ...	Bureau of Labour Statistics ...	1887	3,000	6,500	3,500
Nebraska ...	Bureau of Labour and Industrial Statistics	1887	2,100	4,000	1,900
Rhode Island ...	Bureau of Industrial Statistics ..	1887	4,000	5,000	1,000
North Dakota ...	Department of Agriculture and Labour	1890	4,500	4,500	—
TOTAL ...			97,200	290,470	193,270

This table makes an interesting exhibit. The amount of money spent originally in this branch of social inquiry was a respectable sum. Nevertheless the total is now three times as large. One can hardly maintain that usefulness advances in direct ratio to increased resources. Still it may be safely assumed that enlarged subsidies would not be accorded without compensatory results. To my mind these figures express a growing public consciousness that reliable statistical investigation must replace speculation in the treatment of so-called social problems.