

A-31. Unemployed persons by industry, class of worker, and sex

Industry and class of worker	Thousands of persons		Unemployment rates					
	Total		Total		Men		Women	
	Aug. 2007	Aug. 2008	Aug. 2007	Aug. 2008	Aug. 2007	Aug. 2008	Aug. 2007	Aug. 2008
Total, 16 years and over	7,088	9,479	4.6	6.1	4.3	5.8	5.0	6.4
Nonagricultural private wage and salary workers	5,377	7,359	4.5	6.1	4.2	5.9	4.9	6.4
Mining	33	17	4.6	1.9	4.6	2.2	4.1	—
Construction	558	814	5.3	8.2	5.4	8.4	4.7	5.9
Manufacturing	596	960	3.6	5.7	3.1	4.8	4.7	7.9
Durable goods	341	631	3.3	5.9	3.0	5.3	4.3	7.8
Nonmetallic mineral products	15	33	2.7	5.8	2.0	4.7	5.1	11.1
Primary and fabricated metal products	34	96	1.8	5.0	1.6	5.0	2.7	5.1
Machinery manufacturing	43	75	3.2	5.5	2.9	4.1	4.1	10.9
Computer and electronic products	44	70	3.0	4.8	2.6	2.1	3.8	9.8
Electrical equipment and appliances	8	31	1.6	6.0	—	7.3	5.5	3.2
Transportation equipment	87	152	4.0	6.3	3.8	5.9	4.7	8.0
Wood products	34	36	6.1	7.1	5.9	7.5	6.8	5.6
Furniture and fixtures	29	31	4.7	5.3	4.1	6.9	6.7	1.5
Miscellaneous manufacturing	48	107	3.9	7.8	4.1	7.2	3.5	8.8
Nondurable goods	255	329	4.1	5.4	3.5	4.0	5.2	8.0
Food manufacturing	47	97	2.8	5.7	2.6	4.1	3.1	8.5
Beverage and tobacco products	4	13	1.7	5.0	.8	4.0	(¹)	(¹)
Textile, apparel, and leather	47	57	5.8	7.7	5.4	7.6	6.1	7.9
Paper and printing	65	39	5.6	3.5	3.7	1.4	9.9	7.7
Petroleum and coal products	2	7	1.2	4.3	1.4	3.1	—	(¹)
Chemicals	38	45	2.9	3.2	3.0	2.3	2.9	4.5
Plastics and rubber products	52	71	6.3	11.1	5.5	8.8	8.0	16.4
Wholesale and retail trade	1,028	1,366	5.1	6.6	4.2	5.7	6.1	7.8
Wholesale trade	152	196	3.5	4.9	2.4	3.9	5.9	7.3
Retail trade	876	1,170	5.5	7.1	4.9	6.3	6.1	7.8
Transportation and utilities	205	309	3.4	5.2	3.4	4.7	3.4	7.1
Transportation and warehousing	194	273	3.8	5.4	3.7	4.9	4.0	7.2
Utilities	11	36	1.2	3.9	1.5	3.3	—	6.1
Information ²	140	144	4.1	4.2	3.7	3.9	4.7	4.7
Publishing, except Internet	28	23	3.2	2.9	.8	2.7	5.8	3.2
Motion picture and sound recording industries	47	51	11.8	11.1	14.2	9.7	7.7	13.5
Broadcasting, except Internet	31	29	5.1	4.7	4.8	6.2	5.6	1.9
Telecommunications	27	40	2.2	3.1	2.2	1.7	2.2	5.1
Internet service providers and data processing services	6	2	3.6	1.3	—	2.0	(¹)	—
Other information services	—	—	(¹)	—	—	—	(¹)	—
Financial activities	371	409	3.7	4.2	3.1	4.2	4.2	4.1
Finance and insurance	238	287	3.3	3.9	2.4	4.2	3.9	3.8
Finance	166	219	3.5	4.5	2.8	4.7	4.0	4.4
Insurance	72	68	2.9	2.8	1.5	3.0	3.6	2.7
Real estate and rental and leasing	133	122	4.9	4.8	4.4	4.2	5.5	5.6
Real estate	106	96	4.8	4.7	4.2	3.7	5.3	5.8
Rental and leasing services	27	26	5.5	5.2	5.1	5.5	6.2	4.3
Professional and business services	683	961	4.9	6.9	4.1	6.3	5.8	7.8
Professional and technical services	238	329	3.0	4.0	2.3	3.4	3.8	4.9
Management, administrative, and waste services ²	445	633	7.4	10.9	6.5	10.0	8.8	12.3
Administrative and support services	429	602	7.8	11.2	6.7	10.2	9.3	12.7
Waste management and remediation services	16	27	4.6	7.5	5.3	8.3	—	—
Education and health services	648	844	3.4	4.3	2.7	3.6	3.6	4.5
Educational services	169	269	4.9	7.3	4.8	7.2	4.9	7.4
Health care and social assistance	479	575	3.0	3.6	1.8	2.2	3.3	3.9
Hospitals	104	88	1.9	1.6	2.1	2.1	1.9	1.4
Health services, except hospitals	237	353	2.9	4.4	1.4	2.4	3.3	4.8
Social assistance	138	134	6.0	5.7	3.0	1.5	6.6	6.4

See footnotes at end of table.

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Leisure and hospitality	877	1,122	7.1	8.7	7.1	8.2	7.1	9.1
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	133	183	5.7	7.2	6.6	5.5	4.6	9.3
Accommodation and food services	744	939	7.4	9.0	7.2	9.0	7.6	9.0
Accommodation	99	113	6.1	6.7	4.6	10.7	7.6	3.4
Food services and drinking places	645	826	7.7	9.4	7.7	8.6	7.6	10.1
Other services	239	412	3.8	6.3	3.4	7.0	4.3	5.6
Other services, except private households	183	293	3.4	5.2	3.3	6.3	3.6	3.9
Repair and maintenance	78	125	4.7	6.9	4.7	7.1	4.6	5.3
Personal and laundry services	60	83	3.2	4.7	2.8	4.9	3.4	4.6
Membership associations and organizations	46	85	2.5	4.1	1.1	5.6	3.7	3.0
Private households	55	119	6.3	13.0	(¹)	27.7	6.3	11.1
Agricultural and related private wage and salary workers	54	111	4.7	7.6	2.8	6.7	11.7	10.7
Government workers	695	721	3.2	3.3	2.7	2.5	3.7	4.0
Self-employed and unpaid family workers	315	378	2.9	3.5	3.3	3.5	2.2	3.5
No previous work experience	647	909	—	—	—	—	—	—

¹ Data not shown where base is less than 75,000.

² Includes other industries, not shown separately.

NOTE: Updated population controls are introduced annually with the release

of January data. Dash indicates no data or data that do not meet publication criteria.