

A-15. Employment status of the civilian noninstitutional population by race, Hispanic or Latino ethnicity, sex, and age

(Numbers in thousands)

Employment status, race, and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity	Total		Men, 20 years and over		Women, 20 years and over		Both sexes, 16 to 19 years	
	Sept. 2007	Sept. 2008	Sept. 2007	Sept. 2008	Sept. 2007	Sept. 2008	Sept. 2007	Sept. 2008
TOTAL								
Civilian noninstitutional population	232,461	234,360	103,847	104,741	111,590	112,518	17,024	17,101
Civilian labor force	153,400	154,509	78,667	79,307	68,026	68,635	6,707	6,567
Percent of population	66.0	65.9	75.8	75.7	61.0	61.0	39.4	38.4
Employed	146,448	145,310	75,628	74,844	65,170	65,149	5,649	5,317
Unemployed	6,952	9,199	3,039	4,463	2,855	3,486	1,058	1,250
Unemployment rate	4.5	6.0	3.9	5.6	4.2	5.1	15.8	19.0
Not in labor force	79,061	79,851	25,180	25,434	43,564	43,883	10,317	10,534
White								
Civilian noninstitutional population	188,644	189,916	85,621	86,254	89,956	90,566	13,067	13,097
Civilian labor force	125,191	125,853	65,220	65,645	54,350	54,809	5,621	5,399
Percent of population	66.4	66.3	76.2	76.1	60.4	60.5	43.0	41.2
Employed	120,103	119,294	62,928	62,400	52,342	52,421	4,833	4,473
Unemployed	5,089	6,559	2,292	3,245	2,008	2,388	788	926
Unemployment rate	4.1	5.2	3.5	4.9	3.7	4.4	14.0	17.2
Not in labor force	63,453	64,063	20,402	20,609	35,606	35,757	7,446	7,698
Black or African American								
Civilian noninstitutional population	27,584	27,939	11,100	11,238	13,831	14,018	2,652	2,683
Civilian labor force	17,527	17,756	7,932	8,021	8,905	9,003	689	732
Percent of population	63.5	63.6	71.5	71.4	64.4	64.2	26.0	27.3
Employed	16,142	15,767	7,384	7,126	8,268	8,122	491	519
Unemployed	1,384	1,989	549	895	637	881	198	213
Unemployment rate	7.9	11.2	6.9	11.2	7.2	9.8	28.8	29.1
Not in labor force	10,057	10,183	3,167	3,217	4,927	5,015	1,963	1,951
Asian								
Civilian noninstitutional population	10,698	10,820	4,738	4,811	5,307	5,370	653	639
Civilian labor force	6,997	7,179	3,675	3,806	3,160	3,214	162	160
Percent of population	65.4	66.4	77.6	79.1	59.6	59.8	24.8	25.1
Employed	6,776	6,904	3,586	3,632	3,052	3,131	138	141
Unemployed	222	276	89	173	108	83	24	19
Unemployment rate	3.2	3.8	2.4	4.6	3.4	2.6	15.1	12.1
Not in labor force	3,700	3,640	1,063	1,005	2,146	2,156	491	479
Hispanic or Latino ethnicity								
Civilian noninstitutional population	31,617	32,369	14,760	15,078	13,887	14,222	2,970	3,068
Civilian labor force	21,759	22,160	12,424	12,773	8,242	8,298	1,093	1,089
Percent of population	68.8	68.5	84.2	84.7	59.3	58.3	36.8	35.5
Employed	20,546	20,470	11,850	11,892	7,796	7,760	901	818
Unemployed	1,213	1,691	574	881	446	538	193	271
Unemployment rate	5.6	7.6	4.6	6.9	5.4	6.5	17.6	24.9
Not in labor force	9,857	10,209	2,336	2,305	5,645	5,924	1,877	1,980

NOTE: Estimates for the above race groups (white, black or African American, and Asian) do not sum to totals because data are not presented for all races. Persons whose ethnicity is identified as Hispanic or Latino may be of any race. Updated population controls are introduced annually with the release of January data.