

Table 604. Unemployed Workers—Summary: 1980 to 2006

[In thousands (7,637 represents 7,637,000), except as indicated. Civilian noninstitutional population 16 years old and over. Annual averages of monthly figures. Based on the Current Population Survey; see text Section 1, and Appendix III. For data on unemployment insurance, see Table 539]

Age, sex, race, Hispanic origin	1980	1990 ¹	1995	2000 ¹	2003 ¹	2004 ¹	2005 ¹	2006 ¹
UNEMPLOYED								
Total²	7,637	7,047	7,404	5,692	8,774	8,149	7,591	7,001
16 to 19 years old	1,669	1,212	1,346	1,081	1,251	1,208	1,186	1,119
20 to 24 years old	1,835	1,299	1,244	1,022	1,495	1,431	1,335	1,234
25 to 44 years old	2,964	3,323	3,390	2,340	3,775	3,362	3,061	2,800
45 to 64 years old	1,075	1,109	1,269	1,117	2,069	1,970	1,825	1,689
65 years and over	94	105	153	132	183	179	184	159
Male	4,267	3,906	3,983	2,975	4,906	4,456	4,059	3,753
16 to 19 years old	913	667	744	599	697	664	667	622
20 to 24 years old	1,076	715	673	547	841	811	775	705
25 to 44 years old	1,619	1,803	1,776	1,159	2,085	1,819	1,559	1,452
45 to 64 years old	600	662	697	587	1,176	1,057	955	887
65 years and over	58	59	94	83	107	104	102	88
Female	3,370	3,140	3,421	2,717	3,868	3,694	3,531	3,247
16 to 19 years old	755	544	602	483	554	543	519	496
20 to 24 years old	760	584	571	475	654	619	560	530
25 to 44 years old	1,345	1,519	1,615	1,181	1,690	1,543	1,502	1,348
45 to 64 years old	473	447	574	529	894	914	870	801
65 years and over	36	46	60	50	76	75	82	71
White³	5,884	5,186	5,459	4,121	6,311	5,847	5,350	5,002
16 to 19 years old	1,291	903	952	795	909	890	845	794
20 to 24 years old	1,364	899	866	682	1,012	959	878	832
Black³	1,553	1,565	1,538	1,241	1,787	1,729	1,700	1,549
16 to 19 years old	343	268	325	230	255	241	267	253
20 to 24 years old	426	349	311	281	375	353	358	318
Asian^{3,4}	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	227	366	277	259	205
16 to 19 years old	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	40	31	20	20	22
20 to 24 years old	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	41	47	46	35	28
Hispanic⁵	620	876	1,140	954	1,441	1,342	1,191	1,081
16 to 19 years old	145	161	205	194	192	203	191	170
20 to 24 years old	138	167	209	190	273	255	227	194
Full-time workers	6,269	5,677	5,909	4,538	7,361	6,762	6,175	5,675
Part-time workers	1,369	1,369	1,495	1,154	1,413	1,388	1,415	1,326
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (percent)⁶								
Total²	7.1	5.6	5.6	4.0	6.0	5.5	5.1	4.6
16 to 19 years old	17.8	15.5	17.3	13.1	17.5	17.0	16.6	15.4
20 to 24 years old	11.5	8.8	9.1	7.2	10.0	9.4	8.8	8.2
25 to 44 years old	6.0	4.9	4.8	3.3	5.5	4.9	4.5	4.1
45 to 64 years old	3.7	3.5	3.4	2.5	4.1	3.8	3.4	3.1
65 years and over	3.1	3.0	4.0	3.1	3.8	3.6	3.5	2.9
Male	6.9	5.7	5.6	3.9	6.3	5.6	5.1	4.6
16 to 19 years old	18.3	16.3	18.4	14.0	19.3	18.4	18.6	16.9
20 to 24 years old	12.5	9.1	9.2	7.3	10.6	10.1	9.6	8.7
25 to 44 years old	5.6	4.8	4.7	3.1	5.6	4.9	4.2	3.9
45 to 64 years old	3.5	3.7	3.5	2.4	4.4	3.9	3.4	3.1
65 years and over	3.1	3.0	4.3	3.3	4.0	3.7	3.4	2.8
Female	7.4	5.5	5.6	4.1	5.7	5.4	5.1	4.6
16 to 19 years old	17.2	14.7	16.1	12.1	15.6	15.5	14.5	13.8
20 to 24 years old	10.4	8.5	9.0	7.1	9.3	8.7	7.9	7.6
25 to 44 years old	6.4	4.9	5.0	3.6	5.4	5.0	4.8	4.3
45 to 64 years old	4.0	3.2	3.3	2.5	3.7	3.7	3.4	3.1
65 years and over	3.1	3.1	3.7	2.7	3.6	3.4	3.5	3.0
White³	6.3	4.8	4.9	3.5	5.2	4.8	4.4	4.0
16 to 19 years old	15.5	13.5	14.5	11.4	15.2	15.0	14.2	13.2
20 to 24 years old	9.9	7.3	7.7	5.9	8.4	7.9	7.2	6.9
Black³	14.3	11.4	10.4	7.6	10.8	10.4	10.0	8.9
16 to 19 years old	38.5	30.9	35.7	24.5	33.0	31.7	33.3	29.1
20 to 24 years old	23.6	19.9	17.7	15.0	19.8	18.4	18.3	16.2
Asian^{3,4}	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	3.6	6.0	4.4	4.0	3.0
16 to 19 years old	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	14.2	17.5	11.5	12.4	14.0
20 to 24 years old	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	6.9	9.0	8.6	6.5	5.6
Hispanic⁵	10.1	8.2	9.3	5.7	7.7	7.0	6.0	5.2
16 to 19 years old	22.5	19.5	24.1	16.6	20.0	20.4	18.4	15.9
20 to 24 years old	12.1	9.1	11.5	7.5	10.2	9.3	8.6	7.2
Experienced workers ⁷	6.9	5.3	5.4	3.8	5.8	5.3	4.8	(NA)
Women maintaining families	9.2	8.3	8.0	5.9	8.5	8.0	7.8	(NA)
Married men, wife present	4.2	3.4	3.3	2.0	3.8	3.1	2.8	2.4
Percent without work for—								
Fewer than 5 weeks	43.2	46.3	36.5	44.9	31.7	33.1	35.1	37.3
5 to 10 weeks	23.4	23.5	22.0	23.0	19.8	19.6	20.7	20.9
11 to 14 weeks	9.0	8.5	9.6	8.9	10.0	9.7	9.7	9.4
15 to 26 weeks	13.8	11.7	14.6	11.8	16.4	15.9	14.9	14.7
27 weeks and over	10.7	10.0	17.3	11.4	22.1	21.8	19.6	17.6
Unemployment duration, average (weeks)	11.9	12.0	16.6	12.6	19.2	19.6	18.4	16.8

NA Not available. ¹ See footnote 2, Table 569. ² Includes other races, not shown separately. ³ Includes other ages, not shown separately. Also beginning 2003, for this race group only. See footnote 3, Table 570. ⁴ Prior to 2003, includes Pacific Islanders. ⁵ Persons of Hispanic or Latino origin may be of any race. Also includes ages not shown separately. ⁶ Unemployed as percent of civilian labor force in specified group. ⁷ Wage and salary workers.