Table 24. Percent distribution of employed persons by age, sex, and contingent and noncontingent status, February 2001

(Numbers in thousands)

Age and sex	Total employed	Contingent workers ¹			Noncontingent
		Estimate 1	Estimate 2	Estimate 3	workers ¹
Total, 16 years and over	134,605	1.7	2.2	4.0	96.0
16 to 19 years	6,597	6.3	6.7	9.1	91.0
20 to 24 years	13,259	4.6	4.9	7.9	92.1
25 to 34 years	30,079	1.8	2.3	4.0	96.0
35 to 44 years	36,740	0.9	1.5	3.0	97.0
45 to 54 years	29,946	0.8	1.3	2.8	97.2
55 to 64 years	13,955	0.8	1.2	2.8	97.2
65 years and over	4,029	1.2	1.7	4.9	95.1
Women, 16 years and over	63,229	1.8	2.4	4.2	95.8
16 to 19 years	3,277	7.5	7.9	10.7	89.3
20 to 24 years	6,481	4.6	5.0	7.9	92.1
25 to 34 years	13,844	1.5	2.3	4.0	96.0
35 to 44 years	17,071	1.1	1.7	3.2	96.8
45 to 54 years	14,379	0.9	1.4	2.9	97.1
55 to 64 years	6,506	0.9	1.3	3.2	96.9
65 years and over	1,671	1.1	1.7	5.9	94.1
Men, 16 years and over	71,376	1.6	2.1	3.8	96.2
16 to 19 years	3,320	5.1	5.6	7.4	92.6
20 to 24 years	6,778	4.7	4.7	7.8	92.2
25 to 34 years	16,235	2.0	2.3	4.1	95.9
35 to 44 years	19,668	0.8	1.3	2.7	97.3
45 to 54 years	15,567	0.7	1.3	2.7	97.3
55 to 64 years	7,449	0.8	1.1	2.5	97.5
65 years and over	2,358	1.2	1.7	4.2	95.8

¹ Contingent workers are those who do not have an implicit or explicit contract for ongoing employment. Persons who do not expect to continue in their jobs for personal reasons, such as retirement or returning to school, are not considered contingent workers, provided that they would have the option of continuing in the job were it not for these personal reasons. Estimate 1 includes wage and salary workers who expect their jobs will last for an additional year or less and who had worked at their jobs for 1 year or less. Estimate 2 includes wage and salary workers, the self-employed, and independent contractors who expect their employment to

last for an additional year or less and who had worked at their jobs (or been self-employed) for 1 year or less. Estimate 3 includes all workers who do not expect their jobs to last. This is the broadest definition of contingency, and estimates 1 and 2 of contingency are included in estimate 3. Noncontingent workers are those workers who do not fall into any of the three definitions of contingency.

SOURCE: Contingent and alternative work arrangements supplement to the Current Population Survey, February 2001, U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics