

28. Unemployed persons by reason for unemployment, race, and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity

(Numbers in thousands)

Reason	White		Black or African American		Asian		Hispanic or Latino ethnicity	
	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008
NUMBER OF UNEMPLOYED								
Total unemployed	5,143	6,509	1,445	1,788	229	285	1,220	1,678
Job losers and persons who completed temporary jobs	2,667	3,576	637	904	95	139	635	936
On temporary layoff	805	969	122	141	16	19	184	257
Not on temporary layoff	1,861	2,607	515	763	79	120	451	679
Permanent job losers	1,328	1,947	337	538	56	96	276	440
Persons who completed temporary jobs	533	660	178	225	23	25	175	240
Job leavers	595	677	139	147	25	33	111	144
Reentrants	1,474	1,737	500	559	79	80	346	433
New entrants	407	519	169	177	29	33	127	164
PERCENT DISTRIBUTION								
Total unemployed	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Job losers and persons who completed temporary jobs	51.8	54.9	44.1	50.6	41.6	48.9	52.1	55.8
On temporary layoff	15.7	14.9	8.4	7.9	7.1	6.6	15.1	15.3
Not on temporary layoff	36.2	40.1	35.6	42.7	34.6	42.3	37.0	40.5
Job leavers	11.6	10.4	9.6	8.2	10.9	11.7	9.1	8.6
Reentrants	28.7	26.7	34.6	31.2	34.7	27.9	28.4	25.8
New entrants	7.9	8.0	11.7	9.9	12.7	11.4	10.4	9.8
UNEMPLOYED AS A PERCENT OF THE CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE								
Job losers and persons who completed temporary jobs	2.1	2.8	3.6	5.1	1.3	1.9	2.9	4.3
Job leavers5	.5	.8	.8	.4	.5	.5	.7
Reentrants	1.2	1.4	2.9	3.1	1.1	1.1	1.6	2.0
New entrants3	.4	1.0	1.0	.4	.5	.6	.7

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.