

Table 567. Civilian Population—Employment Status: 1970 to 2007

[In thousands (137,085 represents 137,085,000), except as indicated. Annual averages of monthly figures. Civilian noninstitutional population 16 years old and over. Based on Current Population Survey; see text, Section 1, and Appendix III]

Year	Civilian noninstitutional population	Civilian labor force						Not in labor force	
		Total	Percent of population	Employed	Employment/population ratio ¹	Unemployed		Number	Percent of population
						Number	Percent of labor force		
1970	137,085	82,771	60.4	78,678	57.4	4,093	4.9	54,315	39.6
1980	167,745	106,940	63.8	99,303	59.2	7,637	7.1	60,806	36.2
1985	178,206	115,461	64.8	107,150	60.1	8,312	7.2	62,744	35.2
1990 ²	189,164	125,840	66.5	118,793	62.8	7,047	5.6	63,324	33.5
1991	190,925	126,346	66.2	117,718	61.7	8,628	6.8	64,578	33.8
1992	192,805	128,105	66.4	118,492	61.5	9,613	7.5	64,700	33.6
1993	194,838	129,200	66.3	120,259	61.7	8,940	6.9	65,638	33.7
1994 ²	196,814	131,056	66.6	123,060	62.5	7,996	6.1	65,758	33.4
1995	198,584	132,304	66.6	124,900	62.9	7,404	5.6	66,280	33.4
1996	200,591	133,943	66.8	126,708	63.2	7,236	5.4	66,647	33.2
1997 ²	203,133	136,297	67.1	129,558	63.8	6,739	4.9	66,837	32.9
1998 ²	205,220	137,673	67.1	131,463	64.1	6,210	4.5	67,547	32.9
1999 ²	207,753	139,368	67.1	133,488	64.3	5,880	4.2	68,385	32.9
2000 ²	212,577	142,583	67.1	136,891	64.4	5,692	4.0	69,994	32.9
2001	215,092	143,734	66.8	136,933	63.7	6,801	4.7	71,359	33.2
2002	217,570	144,863	66.6	136,485	62.7	8,378	5.8	72,707	33.4
2003 ²	221,168	146,510	66.2	137,736	62.3	8,774	6.0	74,658	33.8
2004 ²	223,357	147,401	66.0	139,252	62.3	8,149	5.5	75,956	34.0
2005 ²	226,082	149,320	66.0	141,730	62.7	7,591	5.1	76,762	34.0
2006 ²	228,815	151,428	66.2	144,427	63.1	7,001	4.6	77,387	33.8
2007 ²	231,867	153,124	66.0	146,047	63.0	7,078	4.6	78,743	34.0

¹ Civilian employed as a percent of the civilian noninstitutional population. ² Data not strictly comparable with data for earlier years. See text, this section, and February 1994, March 1996, February 1997–99, and February 2003–08 issues of *Employment and Earnings*.

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, "Employment and Earnings Online" January 2008 issue. See Internet site <<http://www.bls.gov/opub/ee/home.htm>> and <<http://www.bls.gov/cps/home.htm>>.