

Adjustments to Household Survey Population Estimates in January 2005

Household survey data beginning in January 2005 reflect updated population controls. As part of its annual review of intercensal population estimates, the U.S. Census Bureau determined that a very small downward adjustment should be made to the household survey population controls. This adjustment stems from revised estimates of net international migration and updated vital statistics information. The updated controls resulted in a decrease of 8,000 in the estimated size of the civilian noninstitutional population 16 years of age and over

for December 2004. Official population and labor force estimates for December 2004 and earlier months will not be revised.

A comparison of December 2004 data based on the old and new controls shows that the population adjustments caused small decreases in the labor force (-49,000), employment (-45,000), and unemployment (-4,000). The total unemployment rate, labor force participation rate, and employment-population ratio, however, were not affected. (See table below.)

Employment status of the population for selected labor force groups, December 2004 (2005 population adjustment effect)

(Numbers in thousands)

Employment status, sex, age, race, and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity	As originally published	Based on updated population controls	Difference ¹
TOTAL			
Civilian noninstitutional population	224,640	224,632	-8
Civilian labor force	147,877	147,828	-49
Participation rate	65.8	65.8	.0
Employed	140,278	140,233	-45
Employment-population ratio	62.4	62.4	.0
Unemployed	7,599	7,595	-4
Unemployment rate	5.1	5.1	.0
Not in labor force	76,763	76,804	42
Men, 20 years and over			
Civilian noninstitutional population	100,126	100,113	-12
Civilian labor force	75,625	75,590	-35
Participation rate	75.5	75.5	.0
Employed	71,897	71,865	-33
Employment-population ratio	71.8	71.8	.0
Unemployed	3,727	3,725	-2
Unemployment rate	4.9	4.9	.0
Not in labor force	24,501	24,524	22
Women, 20 years and over			
Civilian noninstitutional population	108,221	108,224	3
Civilian labor force	65,383	65,363	-20
Participation rate	60.4	60.4	.0
Employed	62,581	62,565	-17
Employment-population ratio	57.8	57.8	.0
Unemployed	2,802	2,799	-3
Unemployment rate	4.3	4.3	.0
Not in labor force	42,838	42,861	23

See notes at end of table.

**Employment status of the population for selected labor force groups, December 2004
(2005 population adjustment effect)—Continued**

(Numbers in thousands)

Employment status, sex, age, race, and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity	As originally published	Based on updated population controls	Difference ¹
Both sexes, 16 to 19 years			
Civilian noninstitutional population	16,293	16,295	1
Civilian labor force	6,870	6,875	5
Participation rate	42.2	42.2	.0
Employed	5,800	5,804	4
Employment-population ratio	35.6	35.6	.0
Unemployed	1,070	1,071	1
Unemployment rate	15.6	15.6	.0
Not in labor force	9,423	9,420	-4
WHITE			
Civilian noninstitutional population	183,483	183,512	29
Civilian labor force	121,257	121,229	-28
Participation rate	66.1	66.1	.0
Employed	115,978	115,952	-26
Employment-population ratio	63.2	63.2	.0
Unemployed	5,279	5,276	-2
Unemployment rate	4.4	4.4	.0
Not in labor force	62,226	62,283	57
BLACK OR AFRICAN AMERICAN			
Civilian noninstitutional population	26,273	26,271	-2
Civilian labor force	16,773	16,773	0
Participation rate	63.8	63.8	.0
Employed	15,033	15,035	2
Employment-population ratio	57.2	57.2	.0
Unemployed	1,739	1,737	-2
Unemployment rate	10.4	10.4	.0
Not in labor force	9,500	9,498	-2
ASIAN			
Civilian noninstitutional population	9,658	9,609	-50
Civilian labor force	6,394	6,364	-31
Participation rate	66.2	66.2	.0
Employed	6,130	6,101	-30
Employment-population ratio	63.5	63.5	.0
Unemployed	264	263	-1
Unemployment rate	4.1	4.1	.0
Not in labor force	3,264	3,245	-19
HISPANIC OR LATINO ETHNICITY			
Civilian noninstitutional population	28,608	28,554	-54
Civilian labor force	19,514	19,474	-40
Participation rate	68.2	68.2	.0
Employed	18,236	18,200	-36
Employment-population ratio	63.7	63.7	.0
Unemployed	1,279	1,275	-4
Unemployment rate	6.6	6.5	.0
Not in labor force	9,094	9,080	-14

¹ Differences are calculated from unrounded estimates.

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. In addition, persons whose ethnicity is identified as Hispanic or Latino may be of any race and, therefore, are classified by ethnicity as well as by race.