

Region, Division, and State Labor Force Participation Rates with Confidence Intervals, Their Relationships to the U.S. Rate, and Over-the-Month Rate Changes with Significance Indicators, August 2008, Seasonally Adjusted

Area	Labor Force Participation Rate	90% Confidence Interval	Higher/Lower than National Rate at 90% Confidence	Over-the-Month Rate Change	
				Difference	Significant at 90% Confidence
Regions					
Northeast	65.3	64.7 - 65.9	L	0.2	NO
Midwest	67.8	67.2 - 68.4	H	-0.1	NO
South	64.8	64.4 - 65.2	L	0.0	NO
West	66.5	66.0 - 67.0		0.0	NO
Divisions					
New England	67.7	66.8 - 68.6	H	-0.1	NO
Middle Atlantic	64.4	63.7 - 65.1	L	0.2	NO
East North Central	66.7	66.0 - 67.5		-0.1	NO
West North Central	70.3	69.5 - 71.0	H	0.0	NO
South Atlantic	65.8	65.2 - 66.4		-0.2	NO
East South Central	61.6	60.6 - 62.7	L	-0.1	NO
West South Central	64.7	64.0 - 65.5	L	0.2	YES
Mountain	67.7	66.9 - 68.5	H	-0.1	NO
Pacific	66.0	65.4 - 66.6		0.0	NO
States					
Alabama	60.5	58.5 - 62.5	L	-0.1	NO
Alaska	71.3	69.3 - 73.3	H	0.4	NO
Arizona	63.5	61.9 - 65.2	L	0.1	NO
Arkansas	62.9	61.3 - 64.4	L	0.0	NO
California	65.6	65.0 - 66.3		-0.1	NO
Colorado	72.2	70.5 - 73.9	H	-0.6	YES
Connecticut	69.0	67.5 - 70.4	H	0.0	NO
Delaware	65.9	64.6 - 67.2		0.0	NO
District of Columbia	69.2	67.4 - 71.0	H	0.5	NO
Florida	64.1	63.1 - 65.1	L	-0.2	NO
Georgia	67.8	66.7 - 68.9	H	-0.3	YES
Hawaii	66.3	64.9 - 67.8		-0.1	NO
Idaho	66.2	64.5 - 67.9		0.1	NO
Illinois	67.8	66.6 - 69.0	H	-0.3	NO
Indiana	66.4	64.7 - 68.1		0.2	NO
Iowa	72.2	70.8 - 73.5	H	0.2	NO
Kansas	70.4	69.0 - 71.7	H	0.2	NO
Kentucky	61.7	60.2 - 63.3	L	0.0	NO

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States -- continued					
Louisiana	62.5	60.6 - 64.5	L	1.1	YES
Maine	66.7	65.3 - 68.2		-0.1	NO
Maryland	69.1	68.0 - 70.2	H	-0.2	NO
Massachusetts	66.4	65.1 - 67.8		-0.1	NO
Michigan	63.2	61.9 - 64.5	L	-0.2	NO
Minnesota	72.2	70.9 - 73.6	H	0.0	NO
Mississippi	60.7	58.8 - 62.6	L	-0.2	NO
Missouri	65.9	64.2 - 67.6		-0.3	NO
Montana	66.3	64.7 - 67.8		0.0	NO
Nebraska	73.3	71.9 - 74.6	H	0.3	NO
Nevada	70.1	68.8 - 71.4	H	0.1	NO
New Hampshire	70.8	69.6 - 71.9	H	0.0	NO
New Jersey	66.5	65.3 - 67.8		0.2	NO
New Mexico	62.8	61.6 - 64.1	L	0.2	NO
New York	62.9	62.1 - 63.8	L	0.1	NO
North Carolina	64.8	63.6 - 66.0	L	-0.6	YES
North Dakota	74.3	72.5 - 76.2	H	-0.1	NO
Ohio	67.3	66.3 - 68.3	H	0.1	NO
Oklahoma	63.1	61.5 - 64.6	L	0.3	NO
Oregon	65.3	64.1 - 66.6		0.0	NO
Pennsylvania	65.1	64.1 - 66.2		0.3	NO
Rhode Island	68.2	66.7 - 69.8	H	-0.3	NO
South Carolina	63.0	61.8 - 64.3	L	0.0	NO
South Dakota	72.5	71.2 - 73.9	H	0.1	NO
Tennessee	62.8	61.4 - 64.2	L	-0.2	NO
Texas	65.5	64.7 - 66.4		0.1	NO
Utah	71.3	69.6 - 73.1	H	-0.3	NO
Vermont	69.6	68.1 - 71.0	H	-0.3	NO
Virginia	69.6	68.7 - 70.6	H	-0.2	NO
Washington	68.0	66.6 - 69.3	H	0.4	NO
West Virginia	55.4	53.5 - 57.3	L	-0.2	NO
Wisconsin	69.9	68.3 - 71.5	H	0.1	NO
Wyoming	70.9	69.3 - 72.6	H	0.1	NO

NOTE: Rates shown are a percentage of the civilian noninstitutional population ages 16 and older. Data refer to place of residence.

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