

Table 579. Marital Status of Women in the Civilian Labor Force: 1970 to 2005

[31,543 represents 31,543,000. Civilian noninstitutional population 16 years and over. Annual averages of monthly figures. Based on the Current Population Survey; see text, Section 1, and Appendix III]

Year	Female civilian labor force (1,000)				Female participation rate ³			
	Total	Single	Married ¹	Other ²	Total	Single	Married ¹	Other ²
1970	31,543	7,265	18,475	5,804	43.3	56.8	40.5	40.3
1975	37,475	9,125	21,484	6,866	46.3	59.8	44.3	40.1
1980	45,487	11,865	24,980	8,643	51.5	64.4	49.8	43.6
1985	51,050	13,163	27,894	9,993	54.5	66.6	53.8	45.1
1988	54,742	14,194	29,921	10,627	56.6	67.7	56.7	46.2
1989	56,030	14,377	30,548	11,104	57.4	68.0	57.8	47.0
1990 ⁴	56,829	14,612	30,901	11,315	57.5	66.7	58.4	47.2
1991	57,178	14,681	31,112	11,385	57.4	66.2	58.5	46.8
1992	58,141	14,872	31,700	11,570	57.8	66.2	59.3	47.1
1993	58,795	15,031	31,980	11,784	57.9	66.2	59.4	47.2
1994 ⁴	60,239	15,333	32,888	12,018	58.8	66.7	60.7	47.5
1995	60,944	15,467	33,359	12,118	58.9	66.8	61.0	47.4
1996	61,857	15,842	33,618	12,397	59.3	67.1	61.2	48.1
1997 ⁴	63,036	16,492	33,802	12,742	59.8	67.9	61.6	48.6
1998 ⁴	63,714	17,087	33,857	12,771	59.8	68.5	61.2	48.8
1999 ⁴	64,855	17,575	34,372	12,909	60.0	68.7	61.2	49.1
2000 ⁴	66,303	17,849	35,146	13,308	59.9	68.9	61.1	49.0
2001	66,848	18,021	35,236	13,592	59.8	68.1	61.2	49.0
2002	67,363	18,203	35,477	13,683	59.6	67.4	61.0	49.2
2003 ⁴	68,272	18,397	36,046	13,828	59.5	66.2	61.0	49.6
2004 ⁴	68,421	18,616	35,845	13,961	59.2	65.9	60.5	49.6
2005 ⁴	69,288	19,183	35,941	14,163	59.3	66.0	60.7	49.4

¹ Husband present. ² Widowed, divorced, or separated. ³ See footnote 3, Table 575 for definition of participation rate.

⁴ See footnote 2, Table 569.

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, Bulletin 2307; and unpublished data.