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VOLUNTEERING IN THE UNITED STATES, 2004

About 64.5 million people did volunteer work at least once from September 2003 to September 2004, the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor reported today. The proportion of the population who volunteered during the year held steady at 28.8 percent.

These data on volunteering were collected through a supplement to the September 2004 Current Population Survey (CPS). Volunteers are defined as persons who did unpaid work (except for expenses) through or for an organization. The CPS is a monthly survey of about 60,000 households that obtains information on employment and unemployment among the nation's civilian noninstitutional population age 16 and over. For more information about the volunteer supplement, see the Technical Note.

Volunteering Among Demographic Groups

About 64.5 million persons, or 28.8 percent of the civilian noninstitutional population age 16 and over, volunteered through or for organizations at least once from September 2003 to September 2004. One-fourth of men and about one-third of women did volunteer work in the year ended in September 2004, about the same proportions as in the prior year. Women volunteered at a higher rate than men across age groups, education levels, and other major characteristics. (See tables A and 1.)

Among the different age groups, persons age 35 to 44 were the most likely to volunteer, closely followed by 45- to 54-year olds and 55- to 64-year olds. The volunteer rates for these age groups were 34.2 percent, 32.8 percent, and 30.1 percent, respectively. Teenagers also had a relatively high volunteer rate, 29.4 percent, perhaps reflecting an emphasis on volunteer activities in schools. Volunteer rates were lowest among persons in their early twenties (20.0 percent) and among those age 65 and over (24.6 percent). Within the latter group, volunteer rates decreased as age increased.

Parents with children under age 18 were more likely to volunteer than persons without children of that age, 36.9 percent compared with 25.4 percent. Married persons volunteered at a higher rate (33.9 percent) than never married persons (23.2 percent) and persons of other marital statuses (22.9 percent).

Whites volunteered at a higher rate (30.5 percent) than did blacks (20.8 percent) and Asians (19.3 percent). Among Hispanics or Latinos, 14.5 percent volunteered.

Among employed persons, 31.2 percent had volunteered during the year ended in September 2004. By comparison, the volunteer rates of persons who were unemployed (25.6 percent) or not in the labor force

Table A. Volunteers by selected characteristics, September 2002, 2003, and 2004

(Numbers in thousands)

Characteristic	September 2002		September 2003		September 2004	
	Number	Percent of population	Number	Percent of population	Number	Percent of population
Sex						
Total, both sexes.....	59,783	27.4	63,791	28.8	64,542	28.8
Men.....	24,706	23.6	26,805	25.1	27,011	25.0
Women.....	35,076	31.0	36,987	32.2	37,530	32.4
Age						
Total, 16 years and over.....	59,783	27.4	63,791	28.8	64,542	28.8
16 to 24 years.....	7,742	21.9	8,671	24.1	8,821	24.2
25 to 34 years.....	9,574	24.8	10,337	26.5	10,046	25.8
35 to 44 years.....	14,971	34.1	15,165	34.7	14,783	34.2
45 to 54 years.....	12,477	31.3	13,302	32.7	13,584	32.8
55 to 64 years.....	7,331	27.5	8,170	29.2	8,784	30.1
65 years and over.....	7,687	22.7	8,146	23.7	8,524	24.6
Race and Hispanic or Latino Ethnicity						
White ¹	52,591	29.2	55,572	30.6	55,892	30.5
Black or African American ¹	4,896	19.1	5,145	20.0	5,435	20.8
Asian ¹	(2)	(2)	1,735	18.7	1,832	19.3
Hispanic or Latino ethnicity.....	4,059	15.5	4,364	15.7	4,102	14.5
Educational attainment ³						
Less than a high school diploma.....	2,806	10.1	2,793	9.9	2,718	9.6
High school graduates, no college ⁴	12,542	21.2	12,882	21.7	12,709	21.6
Less than a bachelor's degree ⁵	15,066	32.8	15,966	34.1	16,414	34.2
College graduates.....	21,627	43.3	23,481	45.6	23,880	45.7
Employment status						
Civilian labor force.....	42,773	29.3	45,499	30.9	45,896	30.9
Employed.....	40,742	29.5	43,138	31.2	43,886	31.2
Full time ⁶	32,210	28.3	33,599	29.6	34,237	29.6
Part time ⁷	8,532	35.4	9,539	38.4	9,649	38.5
Unemployed.....	2,031	25.1	2,361	26.7	2,010	25.6
Not in the labor force.....	17,010	23.7	18,293	24.6	18,646	24.7

¹ Beginning in 2003, persons who selected this race group only; persons who selected more than one race group are not included.

Prior to 2003, persons who reported more than one race group were included in the group they identified as their main race.

² Data for Asians were not tabulated in 2002.

³ Data refer to persons 25 years and over.

⁴ Includes high school diploma or equivalent.

⁵ Includes the categories, some college, no degree; and associate degree.

⁶ Usually work 35 hours or more a week at all jobs.

⁷ Usually work less than 35 hours a week at all jobs.

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. Due to the introduction of revised population controls in January 2003 and January 2004, estimated levels for 2003 and 2004 are not strictly comparable with each other or with those for 2002. See the Technical Note for further information.

(24.7 percent) were lower. Among the employed, part-time workers were more likely than full-time workers to have participated in volunteer activities—38.5 versus 29.6 percent.

Total Annual Hours Spent Volunteering

Volunteers spent a median of 52 hours on volunteer activities during the period from September 2003 to September 2004, unchanged from the previous two survey periods. Men spent 52 hours (median) doing volunteer work, the same as in the previous two periods. Women spent 50 hours volunteering, down from 52 hours in each of the previous periods. Median annual hours spent on volunteer activities ranged from 96 hours for volunteers age 65 and over to 36 hours for those 20 to 24 years old. (See table 2.)

Number and Type of Organizations

Most volunteers were involved with one or two organizations—69.6 and 19.2 percent, respectively. Individuals with higher educational attainment were more likely to volunteer for multiple organizations than were individuals with less education. (See table 3.)

The main organization—the organization for which the volunteer worked the most hours during the year—was most frequently either religious (34.4 percent of all volunteers) or educational/youth service related (27.0 percent). Another 12.4 percent of volunteers performed activities mainly for social or community service organizations, and 7.5 percent volunteered most of their hours for hospitals or other health organizations. (See table 4.)

Older volunteers were more likely to work mainly for religious organizations than were their younger counterparts. For example, 45.2 percent of volunteers age 65 and over performed volunteer activities mainly through or for a religious organization, compared with 28.5 percent of volunteers age 16 to 24 years. Younger individuals were more likely to volunteer through or for educational or youth service organizations.

Among volunteers with children under 18 years, 47.0 percent of mothers and 37.8 percent of fathers volunteered mainly for an educational/youth-service related organization, such as a school or sports team. Parents were more than twice as likely to volunteer for such organizations as persons with no children of that age. Conversely, volunteers with no children under 18 were considerably more likely to volunteer for some other types of organizations, such as social or community service organizations.

Volunteer Activities for Main Organization

Among the more commonly reported volunteer activities (volunteers could report more than one activity) were fundraising or selling items to raise money (29.5 percent); coaching, refereeing, tutoring, or teaching (27.8 percent); collecting, preparing, distributing, or serving food (26.4 percent); engaging in general labor (24.4 percent); and providing information, which would include being an usher, greeter, or minister (22.7 percent). (See table 5.)

Some demographic groups were more likely to engage in certain activities than were others. For example, parents of children under the age of 18 were much more likely to coach, referee, tutor, or teach than were persons with no children of that age. College graduates were more than three times as likely as people with less than a high school diploma to provide professional or management assistance.

How Volunteers Become Involved with Their Main Organization

Two in five volunteers became involved with the main organization for which they did volunteer work of their own volition; that is, they approached the organization. About 42 percent were asked to become a volunteer, most often by someone in the organization. (See table 6.)

Reasons for Not Volunteering

Among those who had volunteered at some point in the past, the most common reason given for not volunteering in the year ended September 2004 was lack of time (45.0 percent), followed by health or medical problems (14.4 percent), and family responsibilities or childcare problems (9.1 percent). Lack of time was the most common reason for persons in all age groups except those age 65 and over, who reported health or medical problems as the primary reason. (See table 7.)

Technical Note

The data in this release were collected through a supplement to the September 2004 Current Population Survey (CPS). The CPS—a monthly survey of about 60,000 households conducted by the U.S. Census Bureau for the Bureau of Labor Statistics—focuses on obtaining information on employment and unemployment among the nation’s civilian noninstitutional population age 16 and over. The purpose of this supplement to the CPS was to obtain information on the incidence of volunteering and the characteristics of volunteers in the United States.

In January 2003 and January 2004, the Census Bureau introduced significant adjustments to the population controls for the CPS as part of its annual update of population estimates. The 2003 adjustment resulted in an increase to the estimates for all population categories. This increase was partly offset by a downward adjustment in 2004. Consequently, estimated levels of volunteers for September 2003 and September 2004 are not strictly comparable with one another, or with estimated levels for September 2002. These adjustments to the levels, however, should have had only negligible effects on the volunteer rate. In addition to the population control adjustments, new questions on race and ethnicity were introduced into the CPS in January 2003. For a discussion of the changes introduced into the CPS in January 2003, see “Revisions to the Current Population Survey Effective in January 2003” in the February 2003 issue of *Employment and Earnings* and available at <http://www.bls.gov/cps/rvcps03.pdf> on the BLS Web site. For a discussion of the changes introduced in January 2004, see “Adjustments to Household Survey Population Estimates in January 2004,” in the February 2004 issue of *Employment and Earnings*, also available on the BLS Web site at <http://www.bls.gov/cps/cps04adj.pdf>.

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Reliability of the estimates

Statistics based on the CPS are subject to both sampling and nonsampling error. When a sample, rather than the entire population, is surveyed, there is a chance that the sample estimates may differ from the “true” population values they represent. The exact difference, or *sampling error*, varies depending on the particular sample selected, and this variability is measured by the standard error of the estimate. There is about a 90-percent chance, or level of confidence, that an estimate based on a sample will differ by no more than 1.6 standard errors from the “true” population value because of sampling error. BLS analyses are generally conducted at the 90-percent level of confidence.

The CPS data also are affected by *nonsampling error*. Nonsampling error can occur for many reasons, including the

failure to sample a segment of the population, inability to obtain information for all respondents in the sample, inability or unwillingness of respondents to provide correct information, and errors made in the collection or processing of the data.

For a full discussion of the reliability of data from the CPS and for information on estimating standard errors, see the “Explanatory Notes and Estimates of Error” section of *Employment and Earnings*.

Volunteer questions and concepts

In the September 2004 supplement, questions on volunteer activities were asked of all households. Efforts were made to have household members answer the volunteer questions for themselves. (Generally, one member of the household answers all the questions in the CPS.) Self response was considered important for the volunteer supplement because research indicated that self respondents could more easily answer questions on the characteristics of the volunteer activity. About 70 percent of the responses were self reports.

The survey was introduced as follows: “This month, we are interested in volunteer activities, that is, activities for which people are not paid, except perhaps expenses. We only want you to include volunteer activities that you did through or for an organization, even if you only did them once in a while.”

Following this introduction, respondents were asked the first supplement question: “Since September 1st of last year, have you done any volunteer activities through or for an organization?”

If respondents did not answer “yes” to the first question, they were asked the following question: “Sometimes people don’t think of activities they do infrequently or activities they do for children’s schools or youth organizations as volunteer activities. Since September 1st of last year, have you done any of these types of volunteer activities?”

Respondents were considered volunteers if they answered “yes” to either of these questions.

Respondents thus classified as volunteers were asked further questions about the number and type of organizations for which they volunteered, total hours spent volunteering, how they became involved with the main organization for which they volunteered, and the type of activities they performed for the main organization. Non-volunteers were asked about why they didn’t volunteer and if they had ever volunteered.

The reference period for the questions on volunteering was about 1 year, from September 1, 2003, through the survey week in September 2004. The reference period for other characteristics, such as labor force status, educational attainment, and marital status, refer to the survey reference week in September 2004. It is possible that these characteristics were different at the time volunteer activities were performed.

Definitions

Volunteers are persons who performed unpaid volunteer activities at any point from September 1, 2003, through the survey period in September 2004. The count of volunteers only includes persons who volunteered through or for an organization; the figures do not include persons who volunteered in a more informal manner. For example, a woman who teaches acting to children through a local theater would be considered a volunteer. A woman who, on her own, organizes softball games for the children in her neighborhood would not be counted as a volunteer for the purpose of this survey.

Organizations are associations, societies, or groups of people who share a common interest. Examples include churches, youth groups, and civic organizations. For the purpose of this study, organizations are classified into eight

major categories, including religious, youth, and social or community service organizations. (See table 4.)

The *main organization* is the organization for which the volunteer worked the most hours during the year. If a respondent volunteered for only one organization, it was considered the main organization, even if exact hours were not obtained.

In order to identify the type of main organization, respondents had to provide information about the organization and, for those who volunteered for more than one organization, annual hours worked for each. Some respondents did not provide the information necessary to determine the type of main organization. For these respondents, the follow-up questions on activities and how they became involved with the main organization asked them to report on the organization for which they think they spent the most time volunteering.

Table 1. Volunteers by selected characteristics, September 2004

(Numbers in thousands)

Characteristics in September 2004	Total, both sexes			Men			Women		
	Civilian noninstitutional population	Volunteers		Civilian noninstitutional population	Volunteers		Civilian noninstitutional population	Volunteers	
		Number	Percent of population		Number	Percent of population		Number	Percent of population
Age									
Total, 16 years and over	223,941	64,542	28.8	108,020	27,011	25.0	115,921	37,530	32.4
16 to 24 years	36,475	8,821	24.2	18,390	3,799	20.7	18,085	5,022	27.8
16 to 19 years	16,246	4,774	29.4	8,245	2,072	25.1	8,001	2,702	33.8
20 to 24 years	20,229	4,047	20.0	10,146	1,727	17.0	10,084	2,320	23.0
25 years and over	187,466	55,720	29.7	89,630	23,212	25.9	97,836	32,508	33.2
25 to 34 years	38,976	10,046	25.8	19,383	3,956	20.4	19,593	6,090	31.1
35 to 44 years	43,169	14,783	34.2	21,232	6,068	28.6	21,936	8,714	39.7
45 to 54 years	41,442	13,584	32.8	20,255	5,917	29.2	21,187	7,667	36.2
55 to 64 years	29,207	8,784	30.1	14,033	3,869	27.6	15,173	4,915	32.4
65 years and over	34,673	8,524	24.6	14,727	3,402	23.1	19,946	5,122	25.7
Race and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity									
White	183,022	55,892	30.5	89,252	23,687	26.5	93,770	32,205	34.3
Black or African American	26,163	5,435	20.8	11,705	1,957	16.7	14,458	3,478	24.1
Asian	9,506	1,832	19.3	4,523	765	16.9	4,983	1,067	21.4
Hispanic or Latino ethnicity	28,338	4,102	14.5	14,539	1,629	11.2	13,798	2,474	17.9
Educational attainment ¹									
Less than a high school diploma	28,181	2,718	9.6	13,721	1,063	7.7	14,460	1,654	11.4
High school graduates, no college ²	58,959	12,709	21.6	27,663	5,001	18.1	31,296	7,708	24.6
Less than a bachelor's degree ³	48,034	16,414	34.2	21,735	6,413	29.5	26,298	10,001	38.0
College graduates	52,292	23,880	45.7	26,510	10,735	40.5	25,782	13,145	51.0
Marital status									
Single, never married	60,910	14,126	23.2	32,538	6,203	19.1	28,371	7,923	27.9
Married, spouse present	119,057	40,346	33.9	60,132	18,044	30.0	58,925	22,302	37.8
Other marital status ⁴	43,974	10,070	22.9	15,350	2,764	18.0	28,625	7,306	25.5
Presence of own children under 18 years ⁵									
Without own children under 18	157,646	40,082	25.4	78,381	17,269	22.0	79,264	22,812	28.8
With own children under 18	66,295	24,460	36.9	29,639	9,742	32.9	36,657	14,718	40.2
Employment status									
Civilian labor force	148,496	45,896	30.9	79,490	21,354	26.9	69,006	24,542	35.6
Employed	140,643	43,886	31.2	75,339	20,405	27.1	65,303	23,481	36.0
Full time ⁶	115,607	34,237	29.6	67,009	17,935	26.8	48,598	16,302	33.5
Part time ⁷	25,036	9,649	38.5	8,330	2,470	29.7	16,706	7,179	43.0
Unemployed	7,853	2,010	25.6	4,151	948	22.9	3,702	1,061	28.7
Not in the labor force	75,445	18,646	24.7	28,530	5,658	19.8	46,915	12,988	27.7

¹ Data refer to persons 25 years and over.

² Includes high school diploma or equivalent.

³ Includes the categories, some college, no degree; and associate degree.

⁴ Includes divorced, separated, and widowed persons.

⁵ Own children include sons, daughters, stepchildren, and adopted children.

Not included are nieces, nephews, grandchildren, and other related and unrelated children.

⁶ Usually work 35 hours or more a week at all jobs.

⁷ Usually work less than 35 hours a week at all jobs.

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Table 2. Volunteers by annual hours of volunteer activities and selected characteristics, September 2004

Characteristics in September 2004	Total volunteers (thousands)	Percent distribution of total annual hours spent volunteering at all organizations							Median annual hours ¹
		Total	1 to 14 hour(s)	15 to 49 hours	50 to 99 hours	100 to 499 hours	500 hours and over	Not reporting annual hours	
Sex									
Total, both sexes	64,542	100.0	21.3	24.3	15.0	28.1	5.7	5.7	52
Men	27,011	100.0	19.8	24.5	15.1	28.4	6.2	6.0	52
Women	37,530	100.0	22.3	24.1	15.0	27.9	5.3	5.5	50
Age									
Total, 16 years and over	64,542	100.0	21.3	24.3	15.0	28.1	5.7	5.7	52
16 to 24 years	8,821	100.0	24.4	29.7	14.6	21.4	2.9	6.9	36
16 to 19 years	4,774	100.0	23.8	29.7	15.2	21.9	2.6	6.7	39
20 to 24 years	4,047	100.0	25.2	29.7	13.8	20.8	3.3	7.2	36
25 years and over	55,720	100.0	20.8	23.4	15.1	29.2	6.1	5.5	52
25 to 34 years	10,046	100.0	26.9	25.9	14.0	23.2	4.4	5.5	40
35 to 44 years	14,783	100.0	23.0	23.6	15.2	28.9	4.7	4.5	51
45 to 54 years	13,584	100.0	19.9	25.0	15.2	29.3	5.7	4.9	52
55 to 64 years	8,784	100.0	17.6	22.1	16.8	29.8	7.5	6.2	60
65 years and over	8,524	100.0	14.2	18.7	14.2	35.7	9.8	7.4	96
Race and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity									
White	55,892	100.0	21.2	24.5	15.3	28.2	5.6	5.3	52
Black or African American	5,435	100.0	20.7	21.4	12.1	29.1	7.7	9.0	56
Asian	1,832	100.0	25.3	24.2	15.2	23.4	3.8	8.0	40
Hispanic or Latino ethnicity	4,102	100.0	23.9	25.5	12.6	27.3	5.0	5.7	48
Educational attainment ²									
Less than a high school diploma	2,718	100.0	24.4	24.9	10.2	26.5	5.8	8.3	40
High school graduates, no college ³	12,709	100.0	22.4	23.4	14.4	26.6	6.5	6.7	50
Less than a bachelor's degree ⁴	16,414	100.0	22.3	22.8	14.6	29.4	6.1	4.8	52
College graduates	23,880	100.0	18.4	23.6	16.3	30.6	5.9	5.0	60
Marital status									
Single, never married	14,126	100.0	24.0	27.3	14.7	22.8	4.1	7.1	40
Married, spouse present	40,346	100.0	20.2	23.5	15.4	29.8	6.0	5.1	52
Other marital status ⁵	10,070	100.0	21.5	23.0	13.8	28.9	6.6	6.2	52
Presence of own children under 18 years ⁶									
Men:									
No own children under 18 years old	17,269	100.0	19.4	24.6	14.7	27.7	7.1	6.6	52
With own children under 18 years old	9,742	100.0	20.6	24.3	15.8	29.7	4.8	4.8	52
Women:									
No own children under 18 years old	22,812	100.0	21.3	24.0	14.4	28.3	5.9	6.1	52
With own children under 18 years old	14,718	100.0	23.8	24.2	15.9	27.2	4.3	4.6	48
Employment status									
Civilian labor force	45,896	100.0	22.6	25.4	15.0	26.9	4.7	5.5	48
Employed	43,886	100.0	22.6	25.3	15.0	26.9	4.7	5.5	48
Full time ⁷	34,237	100.0	23.0	25.2	15.1	26.7	4.5	5.6	48
Part time ⁸	9,649	100.0	20.9	25.9	14.9	27.7	5.4	5.2	50
Unemployed	2,010	100.0	23.5	26.4	14.4	25.5	4.7	5.6	46
Not in the labor force	18,646	100.0	17.9	21.5	15.0	31.2	8.2	6.3	64

¹ For those reporting annual hours.

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Table 3. Volunteers by number of organizations for which volunteer activities were performed and selected characteristics, September 2004

Characteristics in September 2004	Total volunteers (thousands)	Percent distribution of the number of organizations for which volunteer activities were performed						
		Total	One	Two	Three	Four	Five or more	Not reporting number of organizations
Sex								
Total, both sexes	64,542	100.0	69.6	19.2	7.0	2.4	1.5	0.3
Men	27,011	100.0	71.1	18.2	6.8	2.3	1.3	.3
Women	37,530	100.0	68.5	19.9	7.1	2.6	1.6	.3
Age								
Total, 16 years and over	64,542	100.0	69.6	19.2	7.0	2.4	1.5	.3
16 to 24 years	8,821	100.0	77.3	16.0	3.9	1.4	.8	.5
16 to 19 years	4,774	100.0	75.2	17.5	4.2	1.4	1.1	.7
20 to 24 years	4,047	100.0	79.8	14.4	3.6	1.4	.5	.3
25 years and over	55,720	100.0	68.4	19.7	7.5	2.6	1.6	.2
25 to 34 years	10,046	100.0	74.3	17.4	5.5	1.6	1.0	.2
35 to 44 years	14,783	100.0	65.5	21.2	8.4	3.1	1.5	.3
45 to 54 years	13,584	100.0	65.9	20.9	8.5	2.5	1.9	.2
55 to 64 years	8,784	100.0	68.5	18.8	7.8	3.0	1.7	.3
65 years and over	8,524	100.0	70.2	18.7	6.3	2.8	1.8	.1
Race and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity								
White	55,892	100.0	68.4	19.9	7.4	2.6	1.5	.2
Black or African American	5,435	100.0	77.2	15.4	4.0	1.5	1.4	.4
Asian	1,832	100.0	80.8	11.6	5.7	1.1	.4	.3
Hispanic or Latino ethnicity	4,102	100.0	80.8	12.6	4.6	.7	.8	.6
Educational attainment ¹								
Less than a high school diploma	2,718	100.0	88.2	8.1	2.3	.5	.8	—
High school graduates, no college ²	12,709	100.0	78.0	15.6	4.2	1.4	.6	.2
Less than a bachelor's degree ³	16,414	100.0	69.8	19.4	7.1	2.3	1.2	.2
College graduates	23,880	100.0	60.1	23.4	10.1	3.7	2.5	.3
Marital status								
Single, never married	14,126	100.0	74.4	17.1	5.3	1.6	1.2	.5
Married, spouse present	40,346	100.0	67.6	20.2	7.6	2.7	1.6	.2
Other marital status ⁴	10,070	100.0	70.9	18.1	6.8	2.4	1.5	.3
Presence of own children under 18 years ⁵								
Men:								
No own children under 18 years old	17,269	100.0	72.4	17.5	6.3	2.2	1.2	.3
With own children under 18 years old	9,742	100.0	68.7	19.5	7.6	2.4	1.6	.2
Women:								
No own children under 18 years old	22,812	100.0	70.9	18.4	6.4	2.4	1.6	.3
With own children under 18 years old	14,718	100.0	64.9	22.1	8.4	2.7	1.7	.2
Employment status								
Civilian labor force	45,896	100.0	69.1	19.4	7.2	2.5	1.5	.3
Employed	43,886	100.0	68.8	19.6	7.3	2.5	1.5	.3
Full time ⁶	34,237	100.0	69.0	19.6	7.1	2.4	1.5	.3
Part time ⁷	9,649	100.0	68.1	19.4	7.6	2.9	1.7	.2
Unemployed	2,010	100.0	75.4	15.4	6.3	1.5	1.1	.2
Not in the labor force	18,646	100.0	70.8	18.7	6.5	2.4	1.5	.2

¹ Data refer to persons 25 years and over.

² Includes high school diploma or equivalent.

³ Includes the categories, some college, no degree; and associate degree.

⁴ Includes divorced, separated, and widowed persons.

⁵ Own children include sons, daughters, stepchildren, and adopted children.

Not included are nieces, nephews, grandchildren, and other related and unrelated children.

⁶ Usually work 35 hours or more a week at all jobs.

⁷ Usually work less than 35 hours a week at all jobs.

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Table 4. Volunteers by type of main organization for which volunteer activities were performed and selected characteristics, September 2004

Characteristics in September 2004	Total volunteers (thousands)	Percent distribution of volunteers by type of main organization ¹										
		Total	Civic, political, professional, or international	Educational or youth service	Environmental or animal care	Hospital or other health	Public safety	Religious	Social or community service	Sport, hobby, cultural, or arts	Other	Not determined
Sex												
Total, both sexes	64,542	100.0	7.0	27.0	1.7	7.5	1.5	34.4	12.4	3.6	3.3	1.6
Men	27,011	100.0	9.0	24.8	1.7	5.4	2.7	33.3	12.9	4.7	3.9	1.6
Women	37,530	100.0	5.5	28.5	1.6	9.1	.7	35.2	12.1	2.9	2.9	1.6
Age												
Total, 16 years and over	64,542	100.0	7.0	27.0	1.7	7.5	1.5	34.4	12.4	3.6	3.3	1.6
16 to 24 years	8,821	100.0	5.5	32.4	1.5	8.6	1.7	28.5	13.0	3.4	3.2	2.2
16 to 19 years	4,774	100.0	4.4	34.9	1.4	6.9	1.2	31.3	11.5	3.5	2.6	2.4
20 to 24 years	4,047	100.0	6.7	29.5	1.7	10.7	2.3	25.2	14.7	3.3	4.0	1.9
25 years and over	55,720	100.0	7.2	26.1	1.7	7.4	1.5	35.3	12.4	3.7	3.3	1.5
25 to 34 years	10,046	100.0	5.5	34.1	2.4	6.4	2.2	30.4	11.1	2.8	3.8	1.4
35 to 44 years	14,783	100.0	5.3	39.8	1.4	5.5	1.4	30.5	9.0	3.4	2.4	1.4
45 to 54 years	13,584	100.0	8.1	26.0	1.5	6.9	1.4	35.3	12.3	4.2	2.9	1.3
55 to 64 years	8,784	100.0	9.3	13.2	2.0	8.9	1.5	39.6	15.0	4.3	4.2	1.9
65 years and over	8,524	100.0	8.7	6.4	1.4	10.9	1.1	45.2	16.9	3.6	4.3	1.6
Race and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity												
White	55,892	100.0	7.2	26.8	1.8	7.9	1.6	33.5	12.5	3.7	3.4	1.5
Black or African American	5,435	100.0	5.2	27.1	.2	5.0	.6	45.6	10.7	1.6	1.9	2.1
Asian	1,832	100.0	4.3	29.0	.7	6.8	.4	34.2	15.2	5.1	2.1	2.1
Hispanic or Latino ethnicity	4,102	100.0	5.4	35.2	1.1	6.3	1.1	31.8	10.6	2.7	4.3	1.5
Educational attainment ²												
Less than a high school diploma	2,718	100.0	5.5	23.9	.6	4.4	1.9	46.0	11.0	1.4	4.1	1.0
High school graduates, no college ³	12,709	100.0	6.8	23.5	1.3	7.6	2.3	38.5	12.3	3.0	3.3	1.5
Less than a bachelor's degree ⁴	16,414	100.0	6.6	27.3	1.7	7.6	1.7	34.9	12.3	3.3	3.3	1.3
College graduates	23,880	100.0	8.0	26.9	2.0	7.5	.9	32.8	12.6	4.5	3.3	1.7
Marital status												
Single, never married	14,126	100.0	6.7	28.9	2.3	8.8	1.7	27.2	14.3	4.0	4.1	2.1
Married, spouse present	40,346	100.0	6.8	27.7	1.4	6.4	1.6	37.3	11.1	3.5	2.8	1.4
Other marital status ⁵	10,070	100.0	7.8	21.3	1.7	10.5	1.0	32.7	15.1	3.7	4.4	1.6
Presence of own children under 18 years ⁶												
Men:												
No own children under 18 years old	17,269	100.0	10.1	17.5	2.1	6.8	2.8	33.8	15.3	4.8	5.1	1.7
With own children under 18 years old	9,742	100.0	7.2	37.8	1.0	3.0	2.6	32.3	8.5	4.6	1.7	1.3
Women:												
No own children under 18 years old	22,812	100.0	7.0	16.5	2.2	12.0	.8	37.5	15.3	3.4	3.4	1.8
With own children under 18 years old	14,718	100.0	3.1	47.0	.7	4.6	.5	31.6	7.2	2.0	2.1	1.2
Employment status												
Civilian labor force	45,896	100.0	7.2	28.8	1.8	7.2	1.7	32.8	12.0	3.9	3.1	1.6
Employed	43,886	100.0	7.2	28.4	1.7	7.3	1.7	33.1	11.9	4.0	3.1	1.6
Full time ⁷	34,237	100.0	7.9	27.6	1.8	7.2	2.0	32.7	12.0	4.0	3.1	1.7
Part time ⁸	9,649	100.0	4.9	31.2	1.5	7.4	.8	34.6	11.5	3.8	3.3	1.1
Unemployed	2,010	100.0	7.1	36.3	2.2	4.9	1.8	24.8	15.4	2.9	3.0	1.5
Not in the labor force	18,646	100.0	6.3	22.5	1.4	8.5	1.1	38.4	13.5	2.8	3.8	1.6

¹ Main organization is defined as the organization for which the volunteer worked the most hours during the year. See the Technical Note for more details.

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³ Includes high school diploma or equivalent.

⁴ Includes the categories, some college, no degree; and associate degree.

⁵ Includes divorced, separated, and widowed persons.

⁶ Own children include sons, daughters, stepchildren, and adopted children. Not included are nieces, nephews, grandchildren, and other related and unrelated children.

⁷ Usually work 35 hours or more a week at all jobs.

⁸ Usually work less than 35 hours a week at all jobs.

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Table 5. Volunteer activities for main organization for which activities were performed and selected characteristics, September 2004

Characteristics in September 2004	Total volunteers (thousands)	Percent distribution of volunteer activities for main organization ¹												
		Coach, referee, tutor, or teach	Provide information; be an usher, greeter, or minister	Collect, prepare, distribute, or serve food	Collect, make, or distribute clothing, crafts, or goods, other than food	Fund-raise or sell items to raise money	Provide counseling, medical care, fire/EMS or protective services	Supply transportation for people	Provide general office services	Provide professional or management assistance including serving on a board or committee	Engage in music, performance, or other artistic activities	Engage in general labor	Other	Not reporting type of activity
Sex														
Total, both sexes	64,542	27.8	22.7	26.4	15.3	29.5	8.9	12.7	14.2	18.9	12.3	24.4	14.8	1.8
Men	27,011	29.8	23.7	21.1	10.7	26.2	10.4	13.1	10.5	21.5	10.7	29.7	13.9	1.6
Women	37,530	26.3	22.0	30.3	18.7	31.8	7.9	12.5	16.8	17.0	13.5	20.5	15.5	1.8
Age														
Total, 16 years and over	64,542	27.8	22.7	26.4	15.3	29.5	8.9	12.7	14.2	18.9	12.3	24.4	14.8	1.8
16 to 24 years	8,821	30.3	20.3	23.7	14.9	25.9	7.9	7.1	11.8	5.5	16.9	29.2	14.7	2.8
16 to 19 years	4,774	29.9	20.9	26.1	16.7	26.9	6.3	5.8	11.3	4.5	18.3	31.0	13.7	3.0
20 to 24 years	4,047	30.7	19.6	20.9	12.9	24.7	9.8	8.6	12.3	6.6	15.2	27.1	15.9	2.7
25 years and over	55,720	27.4	23.1	26.9	15.4	30.0	9.1	13.6	14.5	21.0	11.6	23.6	14.8	1.6
25 to 34 years	10,046	34.1	18.3	22.9	14.8	27.6	9.5	11.7	12.1	13.0	12.6	22.2	15.9	1.9
35 to 44 years	14,783	34.6	20.6	26.5	15.3	35.1	8.2	15.7	14.4	19.7	12.3	25.6	13.5	1.4
45 to 54 years	13,584	27.7	25.0	28.5	15.7	32.0	9.8	14.6	14.6	23.6	12.1	25.8	13.2	1.6
55 to 64 years	8,784	20.9	26.8	27.4	14.9	27.6	10.6	12.5	15.3	27.0	10.4	22.9	14.8	1.3
65 years and over	8,524	13.0	26.2	29.0	16.2	23.5	7.4	12.0	16.7	22.3	9.9	19.0	18.7	1.7
Race and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity														
White	55,892	27.7	22.3	26.1	15.1	30.4	8.7	12.5	14.0	19.6	11.9	24.7	14.9	1.6
Black or African American	5,435	31.2	28.3	31.6	18.3	22.2	11.5	16.0	16.1	15.4	17.2	21.5	13.4	2.4
Asian	1,832	24.7	18.2	23.2	9.8	23.7	9.2	8.5	12.4	10.8	9.6	19.9	15.2	3.0
Hispanic or Latino ethnicity	4,102	28.2	18.8	24.5	14.6	26.5	8.8	10.8	12.2	8.0	9.1	19.0	20.2	2.0
Educational attainment ²														
Less than a high school diploma	2,718	15.5	17.9	32.0	16.3	20.5	5.1	8.3	8.7	8.4	7.3	25.1	18.5	1.5
High school graduates, no college ³	12,709	21.7	21.4	30.8	15.9	29.3	7.3	14.5	12.2	14.0	10.3	24.9	17.2	1.6
Less than a bachelor's degree ⁴	16,414	27.1	24.1	29.3	16.8	31.7	9.0	15.8	15.8	19.6	12.4	25.7	14.2	1.4
College graduates	23,880	31.9	23.9	22.5	14.1	30.3	10.5	12.3	15.6	27.1	12.3	21.3	13.6	1.7
Marital status														
Single, never married	14,126	28.2	20.2	21.7	13.8	25.6	8.6	8.0	12.4	9.9	14.9	25.7	15.8	2.5
Married, spouse present	40,346	29.4	23.7	27.7	15.6	31.0	9.0	14.4	14.6	22.4	11.9	24.8	14.1	1.5
Other marital status ⁵	10,070	20.8	22.2	27.9	16.3	28.9	8.9	12.6	14.8	17.3	10.4	20.8	16.3	1.8
Presence of own children under 18 years ⁶														
Men:														
No own children under 18 years old	17,269	23.7	24.6	21.6	10.6	24.2	10.6	11.2	10.9	21.0	11.4	29.8	15.2	1.7
With own children under 18 years old ..	9,742	40.6	22.0	20.2	10.8	29.9	10.0	16.6	9.8	22.5	9.6	29.7	11.5	1.5
Women:														
No own children under 18 years old	22,812	21.9	23.5	28.4	17.7	28.0	8.5	9.8	16.7	16.8	12.8	19.6	15.8	2.2
With own children under 18 years old ..	14,718	33.1	19.7	33.2	20.2	37.7	6.9	16.6	16.9	17.3	14.5	21.9	15.1	1.3
Employment status														
Civilian labor force	45,896	30.2	22.5	25.6	14.7	30.9	9.6	13.2	13.2	20.1	12.5	25.4	13.8	1.7
Employed	43,886	30.3	22.5	25.5	14.6	31.0	9.6	13.2	13.2	20.4	12.3	25.2	13.9	1.7
Full time ⁷	34,237	30.2	22.6	24.3	13.7	31.1	9.9	13.3	12.4	21.5	11.7	25.3	13.6	1.8
Part time ⁸	9,649	30.8	22.4	29.6	18.1	30.7	8.4	13.1	16.1	16.6	14.7	24.9	15.0	1.4
Unemployed	2,010	28.5	22.8	26.6	16.6	28.5	9.4	11.6	14.4	12.4	14.9	28.3	12.9	1.7
Not in the labor force	18,646	21.7	23.1	28.6	16.8	25.9	7.3	11.7	16.4	15.9	12.1	21.9	17.3	1.9

¹ Main organization is defined as the organization for which the volunteer worked the most hours during the year. See the Technical Note for more details.

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⁵ Includes divorced, separated, and widowed persons.

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Table 6. Volunteers by how they became involved with main organization for which volunteer activities were performed and selected characteristics, September 2004

Characteristics in September 2004	Total volunteers (thousands)	Percent distribution of how volunteers became involved with main organization ¹								
		Total	Approached the organization	Was asked by:					Other	Not reporting how became involved
				Total ²	Boss or employer	Relative, friend, or co-worker	Someone in the organization/school	Someone else		
Sex										
Total, both sexes	64,542	100.0	40.9	42.2	1.2	13.6	25.9	1.2	14.5	2.5
Men	27,011	100.0	40.6	42.9	1.2	15.2	25.0	1.3	13.9	2.6
Women	37,530	100.0	41.1	41.6	1.2	12.5	26.5	1.2	14.9	2.4
Age										
Total, 16 years and over	64,542	100.0	40.9	42.2	1.2	13.6	25.9	1.2	14.5	2.5
16 to 24 years	8,821	100.0	39.7	39.8	1.2	14.8	22.4	1.4	17.8	2.7
16 to 19 years	4,774	100.0	40.6	38.4	.1	13.7	22.6	2.0	18.4	2.7
20 to 24 years	4,047	100.0	38.6	41.6	2.5	16.2	22.1	.7	17.2	2.6
25 years and over	55,720	100.0	41.1	42.5	1.2	13.5	26.4	1.2	14.0	2.4
25 to 34 years	10,046	100.0	38.9	43.7	2.1	15.1	24.9	1.6	15.2	2.2
35 to 44 years	14,783	100.0	41.0	43.8	1.4	12.4	28.9	.8	13.0	2.2
45 to 54 years	13,584	100.0	41.7	41.5	1.2	13.3	25.8	1.0	14.3	2.4
55 to 64 years	8,784	100.0	41.1	43.0	1.0	13.8	26.4	1.7	13.2	2.7
65 years and over	8,524	100.0	42.8	40.1	.2	13.2	25.0	1.4	14.4	2.8
Race and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity										
White	55,892	100.0	41.1	42.2	1.2	13.8	25.8	1.2	14.3	2.3
Black or African American	5,435	100.0	39.7	40.9	1.2	11.8	26.6	1.1	15.7	3.8
Asian	1,832	100.0	41.9	40.6	1.5	11.7	25.8	1.6	13.7	3.8
Hispanic or Latino ethnicity	4,102	100.0	42.8	39.5	1.6	12.4	24.0	1.3	15.2	2.5
Educational attainment ³										
Less than a high school diploma	2,718	100.0	39.4	44.5	.6	13.8	27.8	2.0	13.6	2.5
High school graduates, no college ⁴	12,709	100.0	39.5	43.5	1.1	14.5	26.6	1.2	14.5	2.5
Less than a bachelor's degree ⁵	16,414	100.0	40.6	43.1	1.2	13.8	26.8	1.2	14.1	2.2
College graduates	23,880	100.0	42.4	41.3	1.4	12.7	25.9	1.2	13.6	2.6
Marital status										
Single, never married	14,126	100.0	40.2	39.5	1.2	15.1	21.6	1.6	17.4	2.9
Married, spouse present	40,346	100.0	41.1	43.4	1.2	13.0	27.9	1.1	13.3	2.3
Other marital status ⁶	10,070	100.0	41.2	40.9	1.4	14.3	23.7	1.2	15.3	2.7
Presence of own children under 18 years ⁷										
Men:										
No own children under 18 years old	17,269	100.0	40.6	41.7	1.1	16.3	22.6	1.5	14.8	2.9
With own children under 18 years old	9,742	100.0	40.6	44.9	1.4	13.1	29.3	1.0	12.3	2.2
Women:										
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With own children under 18 years old	14,718	100.0	40.2	44.2	1.1	10.1	32.0	.9	13.8	1.8
Employment status										
Civilian labor force	45,896	100.0	40.2	43.0	1.7	14.2	25.8	1.1	14.3	2.5
Employed	43,886	100.0	40.2	42.9	1.7	14.1	25.8	1.1	14.4	2.6
Full time ⁸	34,237	100.0	39.5	43.7	2.1	14.6	25.7	1.1	14.0	2.8
Part time ⁹	9,649	100.0	42.5	40.1	.5	12.3	25.9	1.2	15.5	1.8
Unemployed	2,010	100.0	40.0	43.8	.9	15.1	26.6	1.2	14.0	2.2
Not in the labor force	18,646	100.0	42.7	40.2	.2	12.3	26.0	1.6	14.8	2.3

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² Includes persons who did not specify who asked them to volunteer, not shown separately.

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Table 7. Main reason for not volunteering last year as reported by non-volunteers who had volunteered in the past by selected characteristics, September 2004

Characteristics in September 2004	Total (thousands) ¹	Percent distribution of main reason for not volunteering											
		Total	Burnout/ not enjoyable previously	Family responsi- bilities or childcare problems	Health or medical problems	Lack of time	No one asked	No longer a member of the organ- ization	Wasn't interested	Moved, lack of infor- mation, transportation, or expenses ²	No longer required/ not relevant to current life situation	Other	Not reporting reason for not volun- teering
Sex													
Total, both sexes	36,997	100.0	2.1	9.1	14.4	45.0	3.2	1.8	4.5	4.0	5.8	8.5	1.6
Men	16,214	100.0	2.5	5.5	10.9	49.9	3.8	2.0	5.5	4.4	5.5	8.5	1.6
Women	20,784	100.0	1.8	11.9	17.2	41.1	2.8	1.7	3.8	3.8	6.1	8.4	1.5
Age													
Total, 16 years and over	36,997	100.0	2.1	9.1	14.4	45.0	3.2	1.8	4.5	4.0	5.8	8.5	1.6
16 to 24 years	4,600	100.0	1.3	6.4	1.0	60.9	3.1	3.5	3.7	5.0	3.9	9.8	1.4
16 to 19 years	1,407	100.0	1.7	3.5	.8	56.9	4.5	4.7	4.7	5.5	4.4	11.2	2.1
20 to 24 years	3,194	100.0	1.1	7.6	1.1	62.7	2.4	2.9	3.3	4.8	3.6	9.2	1.1
25 years and over	32,397	100.0	2.2	9.5	16.3	42.7	3.2	1.6	4.7	3.9	6.1	8.3	1.6
25 to 34 years	6,123	100.0	1.5	13.4	2.0	59.6	3.4	1.0	2.8	5.9	2.1	6.7	1.6
35 to 44 years	6,001	100.0	1.4	12.5	4.6	55.4	3.3	1.5	3.5	4.1	5.2	7.3	1.3
45 to 54 years	7,431	100.0	2.6	8.0	8.2	50.0	3.6	2.2	4.3	3.6	7.5	8.0	2.0
55 to 64 years	5,594	100.0	2.7	8.4	14.6	41.5	3.4	2.2	6.0	3.2	8.2	8.2	1.7
65 years and over	7,248	100.0	2.7	6.1	47.7	11.3	2.5	1.0	6.6	3.0	7.1	10.8	1.2
Race and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity													
White	31,899	100.0	2.1	8.9	14.6	44.9	3.1	1.8	4.5	4.1	6.1	8.5	1.4
Black or African American	3,138	100.0	1.9	11.2	16.2	42.8	3.3	1.8	5.1	3.2	4.0	8.6	1.9
Asian	1,087	100.0	1.9	11.7	4.6	52.2	5.8	.3	3.7	4.0	3.5	8.1	4.2
Hispanic or Latino ethnicity	2,488	100.0	2.1	11.4	10.5	43.2	5.2	1.0	3.3	6.2	6.4	9.2	1.6
Educational attainment ³													
Less than a high school diploma	2,961	100.0	2.7	9.5	39.2	20.7	3.8	1.3	4.2	3.3	5.6	8.7	1.0
High school graduates, no college ⁴	9,525	100.0	2.5	9.5	20.0	35.0	3.7	1.7	5.9	3.6	8.1	8.4	1.7
Less than a bachelor's degree ⁵	9,729	100.0	2.3	9.2	14.3	44.7	3.0	1.7	4.5	4.3	5.4	8.9	1.6
College graduates	10,183	100.0	1.8	9.7	8.0	54.3	2.8	1.3	3.8	4.1	5.1	7.5	1.6
Marital status													
Single, never married	8,648	100.0	1.7	4.9	4.4	58.9	3.6	2.4	4.6	5.2	3.5	9.0	1.6
Married, spouse present	19,854	100.0	2.1	11.8	12.2	44.5	3.2	1.8	4.3	3.6	7.0	7.9	1.6
Other marital status ⁶	8,496	100.0	2.5	7.0	29.5	31.8	2.9	1.3	5.0	4.0	5.4	9.3	1.3
Presence of own children under 18 years ⁷													
Men:													
No own children under 18 years old	12,561	100.0	2.6	3.5	13.2	46.6	3.9	2.1	6.2	4.7	6.0	9.4	1.8
With own children under 18 years old	3,653	100.0	1.9	12.3	2.8	61.5	3.2	1.7	3.1	3.1	3.9	5.6	.9
Women:													
No own children under 18 years old	15,780	100.0	2.1	7.3	21.3	39.5	2.8	1.8	4.4	4.0	6.7	8.8	1.4
With own children under 18 years old	5,004	100.0	1.2	26.3	4.1	46.1	2.8	1.3	1.8	3.2	4.1	7.3	1.8
Employment status													
Civilian labor force	25,197	100.0	1.9	8.6	2.7	58.3	3.5	2.0	3.8	4.3	5.6	7.8	1.6
Employed	23,898	100.0	1.9	8.3	2.7	59.6	3.5	2.0	3.5	4.0	5.7	7.3	1.6
Full time ⁸	19,719	100.0	1.9	7.7	2.1	62.0	3.3	1.9	3.1	3.9	5.4	7.1	1.6
Part time ⁹	4,179	100.0	1.9	10.9	5.6	48.1	4.2	2.6	5.2	4.4	6.8	8.7	1.6
Unemployed	1,299	100.0	2.3	15.1	3.1	35.2	3.5	1.5	8.4	9.8	4.0	15.5	1.9
Not in the labor force	11,800	100.0	2.6	10.1	39.3	16.4	2.6	1.4	6.2	3.5	6.4	10.0	1.4

¹ Data refer to persons who did not volunteer during the survey reference period (September 2003-September 2004), but who had volunteered in the past.

² Includes the categories lack of information about opportunities, lack of transportation, lack of paid expenses, moved in the last year, and opportunities don't match interest or skills.

³ Data refer to persons 25 years and over.

⁴ Includes high school diploma or equivalent.

⁵ Includes the categories, some college, no degree; and associate degree.

⁶ Includes divorced, separated, and widowed persons.

⁷ Own children include sons, daughters, stepchildren, and adopted children. Not included

are nieces, nephews, grandchildren, and other related and unrelated children.

⁸ Usually work 35 hours or more a week at all jobs.

⁹ Usually work less than 35 hours a week at all jobs.

NOTE: Data on volunteers relate to persons who performed unpaid volunteer activities for an organization at any point from September 1, 2003, through the survey period in September 2004. 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.