

**Table 598. Employment Status of Women by Marital Status and Presence and Age of Children: 1970 to 2009**

[As of March (7.0 represents 7,000,000). Annual Social and Economic Supplement (ASEC) includes Civilian noninstitutionalized population, 16 years old and over. Based on the Current Population Survey; see text, Section 1 and Appendix III]

Item	Total			With any children								
				Total			Children 6 to 17 years only			Children under 6 years		
	Single	Married <sup>1</sup>	Other <sup>2</sup>	Single	Married <sup>1</sup>	Other <sup>2</sup>	Single	Married <sup>1</sup>	Other <sup>2</sup>	Single	Married <sup>1</sup>	Other <sup>2</sup>
<b>IN LABOR FORCE (mil.)</b>												
1970.....	7.0	18.4	5.9	(NA)	10.2	1.9	(NA)	6.3	1.3	(NA)	3.9	0.6
1980.....	11.2	24.9	8.8	0.6	13.7	3.6	0.2	8.4	2.6	0.3	5.2	1.0
1990.....	14.0	31.0	11.2	1.5	16.5	4.2	0.6	9.3	3.0	0.9	7.2	1.2
2000.....	17.8	35.0	13.2	3.1	18.2	4.5	1.2	10.8	3.4	1.8	7.3	1.1
2005 <sup>3</sup> .....	18.6	35.7	14.3	3.4	18.0	4.6	1.4	10.8	3.4	1.9	7.2	1.2
2008 <sup>3</sup> .....	19.9	37.1	14.6	3.5	17.9	4.5	1.5	10.6	3.3	2.0	7.3	1.2
2009 <sup>3</sup> .....	19.8	37.5	14.5	3.7	18.0	4.5	1.5	10.8	3.3	2.1	7.2	1.1
<b>PARTICIPATION RATE<sup>4</sup></b>												
1970.....	53.0	40.8	39.1	(NA)	39.7	60.7	(NA)	49.2	66.9	(NA)	30.3	52.2
1980.....	61.5	50.1	44.0	52.0	54.1	69.4	67.6	61.7	74.6	44.1	45.1	60.3
1990.....	66.4	58.2	46.8	55.2	66.3	74.2	69.7	73.6	79.7	48.7	58.9	63.6
2000.....	68.6	62.0	50.2	73.9	70.6	82.7	79.7	77.2	84.9	70.5	62.8	76.6
2005 <sup>3</sup> .....	65.1	60.2	49.8	72.9	68.1	79.8	79.7	75.0	82.2	68.5	59.8	73.5
2008 <sup>3</sup> .....	64.6	61.7	49.5	71.0	69.4	79.4	78.7	76.2	81.5	66.0	61.6	73.9
2009 <sup>3</sup> .....	63.7	61.7	49.0	72.0	69.8	79.2	78.9	76.7	83.0	67.8	61.6	69.8
<b>EMPLOYMENT (mil.)</b>												
1970.....	6.5	17.5	5.6	(NA)	9.6	1.8	(NA)	6.0	1.2	(NA)	3.6	0.6
1980.....	10.1	23.6	8.2	0.4	12.8	3.3	0.2	8.1	2.4	0.2	4.8	0.9
1990.....	12.9	29.9	10.5	1.2	15.8	3.8	0.5	8.9	2.7	0.7	6.9	1.1
2000.....	16.4	34.0	12.7	2.7	17.6	4.3	1.1	10.6	3.2	1.6	7.1	1.1
2005 <sup>3</sup> .....	17.0	34.6	13.5	2.9	17.4	4.3	1.3	10.4	3.2	1.6	7.0	1.1
2008 <sup>3</sup> .....	18.4	35.9	13.8	3.1	17.3	4.3	1.4	10.3	3.2	1.7	7.0	1.1
2009 <sup>3</sup> .....	17.7	35.5	13.2	3.1	17.0	4.0	1.4	10.2	3.0	1.8	6.8	1.0
<b>UNEMPLOYMENT RATE<sup>5</sup></b>												
1970.....	7.1	4.8	4.8	(NA)	6.0	7.2	(NA)	4.8	5.9	(NA)	7.9	9.8
1980.....	10.3	5.3	6.4	23.2	5.9	9.2	15.6	4.4	7.9	29.2	8.3	12.8
1990.....	8.2	3.5	5.7	18.4	4.2	8.5	14.5	3.8	7.7	20.8	4.8	10.2
2000.....	7.3	2.7	4.3	11.0	2.9	5.1	8.7	2.6	4.8	12.6	3.5	5.9
2005 <sup>3</sup> .....	8.9	3.0	5.3	15.1	3.1	6.9	10.9	2.9	5.8	18.2	3.4	9.8
2008 <sup>3</sup> .....	7.6	3.1	5.4	11.5	3.4	6.0	8.3	3.1	5.3	14.0	3.9	8.0
2009 <sup>3</sup> .....	10.5	5.3	8.9	15.4	5.4	11.2	11.9	5.1	9.9	17.9	5.9	15.1

NA Not available. <sup>1</sup> Husband present. <sup>2</sup> Widowed, divorced, or separated (including married, spouse absent). <sup>3</sup> See footnote 2, Table 584. <sup>4</sup> Percent of women in each specific category in the labor force. <sup>5</sup> Unemployed as a percent of civilian labor force in specified group.

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

**Table 599. Labor Force Participation Rates for Wives, Husband Present, by Age of Own Youngest Child: 1990 to 2008**

[As of March. Annual Social and Economic Supplement (ASEC) includes Civilian noninstitutionalized population, 16 years old and over, and military personnel who live in households with at least one other civilian adult. Armed Forces includes only those Armed Forces members living on or off post with their families; all other members of the Armed Forces are excluded. Data refer to persons in primary families. Based on Current Population Survey; see text, Section 1 and Appendix III]

Presence and age of child	1990 2000 <sup>1</sup> 2005 <sup>1</sup> 2007				2008 <sup>1</sup>				
					Total	White <sup>2</sup>	Black <sup>2</sup>	Asian <sup>2,3</sup>	Hispanic <sup>4</sup>
<b>Wives, total</b> .....	<b>58.3</b>	<b>62.2</b>	<b>60.4</b>	<b>61.8</b>	<b>61.9</b>	<b>61.4</b>	<b>67.5</b>	<b>63.0</b>	<b>55.0</b>
No children under 18 years.....	51.1	54.8	54.1	55.7	56.1	55.6	59.2	58.9	52.2
With children under 18 years.....	66.5	70.9	68.3	69.4	69.7	69.2	77.3	66.6	56.6
Under 6 years, total.....	59.1	63.1	60.3	61.6	62.0	61.4	70.2	59.3	48.0
Under 3 years.....	55.9	59.4	57.3	58.8	59.1	59.0	61.9	57.9	44.6
1 year or under.....	53.9	58.4	55.8	57.8	58.9	58.9	61.2	57.8	43.7
2 years.....	60.9	61.9	60.8	61.4	59.5	59.1	63.9	58.3	46.4
3 to 5 years.....	64.1	68.6	64.8	65.6	66.3	65.1	81.0	61.0	52.6
3 years.....	63.0	66.0	62.7	64.4	65.3	63.5	84.6	63.9	52.8
4 years.....	65.0	69.6	64.9	63.4	66.5	65.2	82.1	59.9	50.2
5 years.....	64.4	70.7	67.5	69.4	67.2	66.8	75.9	58.5	55.5
6 to 13 years.....	73.1	76.0	73.2	74.5	74.8	74.4	82.5	69.9	65.9
14 to 17 years.....	75.0	80.8	79.6	79.8	79.2	78.9	82.2	79.5	66.1

<sup>1</sup> See footnote 2, Table 584. <sup>2</sup> Beginning 2003, for persons in this race group only. See footnote 4, Table 585. <sup>3</sup> Excludes Pacific Islanders. <sup>4</sup> Persons of Hispanic or Latino origin may be any race.

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