

Table 578. Civilian Labor Force—Percent Distribution by Sex and Age: 1980 to 2008

[106,940 represents 106,940,000. Civilian noninstitutional population 16 years old and over. Annual averages of monthly figures. Based on Current Population Survey; see text, Section 1, and Appendix III]

Year and sex	Civilian labor force (1,000)	Percent distribution						
		16 to 19 years	20 to 24 years	25 to 34 years	35 to 44 years	45 to 54 years	55 to 64 years	65 years and over
Total: 1980	106,940	8.8	14.9	27.3	19.1	15.8	11.2	2.9
1990 ¹	125,840	6.2	11.7	28.6	25.5	16.1	9.2	2.7
2000 ¹	142,583	5.8	10.0	23.0	26.3	21.8	10.1	3.0
2005 ¹	149,320	4.8	10.1	21.7	24.1	23.0	12.7	3.5
2008 ¹	154,287	4.4	9.8	21.6	22.7	23.3	14.0	4.0
Male: 1980	61,453	8.1	14.0	27.6	19.3	16.1	11.8	3.1
1990 ¹	69,011	5.9	11.4	28.8	25.3	16.1	9.6	2.9
2000 ¹	76,280	5.6	9.9	23.4	26.3	21.3	10.2	3.3
2005 ¹	80,033	4.5	10.1	22.3	24.4	22.6	12.6	3.7
2008 ¹	82,520	4.2	9.8	22.2	23.0	22.9	13.7	4.2
Female: 1980	45,487	9.6	16.1	26.9	19.0	15.4	10.4	2.6
1990 ¹	56,829	6.5	12.0	28.3	25.8	16.1	8.7	2.6
2000 ¹	66,303	6.0	10.2	22.5	26.4	22.3	9.9	2.7
2005 ¹	69,288	5.2	10.2	20.9	23.9	23.6	12.9	3.3
2008 ¹	71,767	4.7	9.9	20.9	22.4	23.8	14.3	3.9

¹ See footnote 2, Table 574.

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, "Employment and Earnings Online," January 2009; <<http://www.bls.gov/opub/ee/home.htm>> and <<http://www.bls.gov/cps/home.htm>>.