

Table 582. School Enrollment and Labor Force Status: 2008

[In thousands (37,569 represents 37,569,000), except percent. As of October. Civilian noninstitutional population. Based on Current Population Survey; see text, Section 1, and Appendix III]

Characteristic	Population	Civilian labor force	Employed	Unemployed		Not in labor force
				Total	Rate ¹	
Total, 16 to 24 years ²	37,569	21,931	19,020	2,911	13.3	15,637
Enrolled in school ²	21,348	8,974	7,907	1,067	11.9	12,374
Enrolled in high school	9,677	2,661	2,099	562	21.1	7,016
Male	4,991	1,272	960	311	24.5	3,720
Female	4,686	1,389	1,139	251	18.0	3,297
Enrolled in college	11,671	6,313	5,809	505	8.0	5,358
Enrolled in 2 year college	3,521	2,229	2,035	194	8.7	1,292
Enrolled in 4 year college	8,150	4,084	3,773	311	7.6	4,065
Race/ethnicity:						
White ³						
Enrolled in high school	7,274	2,153	1,729	424	19.7	5,120
Enrolled in college	9,283	5,289	4,900	389	7.4	3,994
Black ³						
Enrolled in high school	1,604	339	236	104	30.5	1,264
Enrolled in college	1,381	630	540	90	14.3	751
Asian ³						
Enrolled in high school	349	66	57	9	(⁴)	283
Enrolled in college	680	238	223	16	6.6	441
Hispanic or Latino ethnicity						
Enrolled in high school	1,804	365	238	127	34.8	1,439
Enrolled in college	1,385	775	682	93	12.0	610
Not enrolled ²						
White ³	12,485	10,244	8,971	1,273	12.4	2,242
Black ³	2,630	1,878	1,433	446	23.7	752
Asian ³	435	320	297	23	7.3	114
Hispanic or Latino ethnicity	3,531	2,684	2,279	405	15.1	848

¹ Percent unemployed of civilian labor force in each category. ² Includes other races not shown separately. ³ Data for persons in this race group only. See footnote 4, Table 575. ⁴ Data not shown where base is less than 75,000.

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics; *College Enrollment and Work Activity of High School Graduates, News*, USDL 09-0454, April 28, 2009. See also <<http://www.bls.gov/news.release/hsgec.nro.htm>>.