

Table 20. **Employed persons by full- and part-time status and sex, 1970-2005 annual averages**

(Numbers in thousands)

Year	Total, both sexes				
	Total employed	Usually full time ¹	Usually part time ²	Percent usually full time	Percent usually part time
1970.....	78,678	66,753	11,925	84.8	15.2
1971.....	79,367	66,973	12,393	84.4	15.6
1972 ³	82,153	69,214	12,939	84.3	15.7
1973 ³	85,064	71,803	13,262	84.4	15.6
1974.....	86,794	73,093	13,701	84.2	15.8
1975.....	85,846	71,586	14,260	83.4	16.6
1976.....	88,752	73,964	14,788	83.3	16.7
1977.....	92,017	76,625	15,391	83.3	16.7
1978 ³	96,048	80,193	15,855	83.5	16.5
1979.....	98,824	82,654	16,171	83.6	16.4
1980.....	99,303	82,562	16,740	83.1	16.9
1981.....	100,397	83,243	17,154	82.9	17.1
1982.....	99,526	81,421	18,106	81.8	18.2
1983.....	100,834	82,322	18,511	81.6	18.4
1984.....	105,005	86,544	18,462	82.4	17.6
1985.....	107,150	88,534	18,615	82.6	17.4
1986 ³	109,597	90,529	19,069	82.6	17.4
1987.....	112,440	92,957	19,483	82.7	17.3
1988.....	114,968	95,214	19,754	82.8	17.2
1989.....	117,342	97,369	19,973	83.0	17.0
1990 ³	118,793	98,666	20,128	83.1	16.9
1991.....	117,718	97,190	20,528	82.6	17.4
1992.....	118,492	97,664	20,828	82.4	17.6
1993.....	120,259	99,114	21,145	82.4	17.6
1994 ³	123,060	99,772	23,288	81.1	18.9
1995.....	124,900	101,679	23,220	81.4	18.6
1996.....	126,708	103,537	23,170	81.7	18.3
1997 ³	129,558	106,334	23,224	82.1	17.9
1998 ³	131,463	108,202	23,261	82.3	17.7
1999 ³	133,488	110,302	23,186	82.6	17.4
2000 ³	136,891	113,846	23,044	83.2	16.8
2001.....	136,933	113,573	23,361	82.9	17.1
2002.....	136,485	112,700	23,785	82.6	17.4
2003 ³	137,736	113,324	24,412	82.3	17.7
2004 ³	139,252	114,518	24,734	82.2	17.8
2005 ³	141,730	117,016	24,714	82.6	17.4

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 20. Employed persons by full- and part-time status and sex, 1970-2005 annual averages—Continued

(Numbers in thousands)

Year	Women				
	Total employed	Usually full time ¹	Usually part time ²	Percent usually full time	Percent usually part time
1970.....	29,688	21,929	7,758	73.9	26.1
1971.....	29,976	21,950	8,026	73.2	26.8
1972 ³	31,257	22,842	8,416	73.1	26.9
1973 ³	32,715	23,960	8,756	73.2	26.8
1974.....	33,769	24,714	9,055	73.2	26.8
1975.....	33,989	24,598	9,391	72.4	27.6
1976.....	35,615	25,814	9,799	72.5	27.5
1977.....	37,289	27,076	10,213	72.6	27.4
1978 ³	39,569	28,912	10,658	73.1	26.9
1979.....	41,217	30,227	10,990	73.3	26.7
1980.....	42,117	30,845	11,270	73.2	26.8
1981.....	43,000	31,337	11,664	72.9	27.1
1982.....	43,256	31,086	12,170	71.9	28.1
1983.....	44,047	31,679	12,367	71.9	28.1
1984.....	45,915	33,473	12,441	72.9	27.1
1985.....	47,259	34,672	12,587	73.4	26.6
1986 ³	48,706	35,845	12,862	73.6	26.4
1987.....	50,334	37,210	13,124	73.9	26.1
1988.....	51,696	38,398	13,298	74.3	25.7
1989.....	53,027	39,484	13,544	74.5	25.5
1990 ³	53,689	40,165	13,524	74.8	25.2
1991.....	53,496	39,783	13,713	74.4	25.6
1992.....	54,052	40,301	13,751	74.6	25.4
1993.....	54,910	40,991	13,919	74.7	25.3
1994 ³	56,610	40,940	15,670	72.3	27.7
1995.....	57,523	41,743	15,779	72.6	27.4
1996.....	58,501	42,776	15,725	73.1	26.9
1997 ³	59,873	44,076	15,797	73.6	26.4
1998 ³	60,771	45,014	15,757	74.1	25.9
1999 ³	62,042	46,372	15,670	74.7	25.3
2000 ³	63,586	47,916	15,670	75.4	24.6
2001.....	63,737	47,950	15,788	75.2	24.8
2002.....	63,582	47,494	16,088	74.7	25.3
2003 ³	64,404	47,946	16,459	74.4	25.6
2004 ³	64,728	48,073	16,654	74.3	25.7
2005 ³	65,757	49,158	16,598	74.8	25.2

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 20. **Employed persons by full- and part-time status and sex, 1970-2005 annual averages—Continued**

(Numbers in thousands)

Year	Men				
	Total employed	Usually full time ¹	Usually part time ²	Percent usually full time	Percent usually part time
1970.....	48,990	44,825	4,166	91.5	8.5
1971.....	49,390	45,023	4,367	91.2	8.8
1972 ³	50,896	46,373	4,523	91.1	8.9
1973 ³	52,349	47,843	4,507	91.4	8.6
1974.....	53,024	48,378	4,646	91.2	8.8
1975.....	51,857	46,988	4,870	90.6	9.4
1976.....	53,138	48,150	4,988	90.6	9.4
1977.....	54,728	49,551	5,178	90.5	9.5
1978 ³	56,479	51,281	5,198	90.8	9.2
1979.....	57,607	52,427	5,180	91.0	9.0
1980.....	57,186	51,717	5,471	90.4	9.6
1981.....	57,397	51,906	5,492	90.4	9.6
1982.....	56,271	50,334	5,937	89.4	10.6
1983.....	56,787	50,643	6,145	89.2	10.8
1984.....	59,091	53,070	6,020	89.8	10.2
1985.....	59,891	53,862	6,028	89.9	10.1
1986 ³	60,892	54,685	6,207	89.8	10.2
1987.....	62,107	55,746	6,360	89.8	10.2
1988.....	63,273	56,816	6,457	89.8	10.2
1989.....	64,315	57,885	6,430	90.0	10.0
1990 ³	65,104	58,501	6,604	89.9	10.1
1991.....	64,223	57,407	6,815	89.4	10.6
1992.....	64,440	57,363	7,077	89.0	11.0
1993.....	65,349	58,123	7,226	88.9	11.1
1994 ³	66,450	58,832	7,617	88.5	11.5
1995.....	67,377	59,936	7,441	89.0	11.0
1996.....	68,207	60,762	7,445	89.1	10.9
1997 ³	69,685	62,258	7,427	89.3	10.7
1998 ³	70,693	63,189	7,504	89.4	10.6
1999 ³	71,446	63,930	7,516	89.5	10.5
2000 ³	73,305	65,930	7,375	89.9	10.1
2001.....	73,196	65,623	7,573	89.7	10.3
2002.....	72,903	65,205	7,697	89.4	10.6
2003 ³	73,332	65,379	7,953	89.2	10.8
2004 ³	74,524	66,444	8,080	89.2	10.8
2005 ³	75,973	67,858	8,115	89.3	10.7

¹ Prior to 1994, total includes persons who usually work part time but who worked 35 or more hours during the reference week; for 1994 and later years, such persons were included in the part-time total. In all years, the total includes those who usually work full time but who worked less than 35 hours during the reference week for noneconomic reasons, such as illness or holiday, and those absent from work for the entire reference week who usually work full time. These groups are not shown separately.

² For all years, total includes those who usually work less than 35 hours a week but who were absent from work for the

entire reference week and for 1994 and later years, those who worked 35 or more hours during the reference week. These groups are not shown separately.

³ The comparability of historical labor force data has been affected at various times by methodological and conceptual changes in the Current Population Survey (CPS). For an explanation, see the Explanatory Notes and Estimates of Error section of Employment and Earnings, a monthly BLS periodical.

SOURCE: Current Population Survey, U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics