

Table 622. Unemployed Workers—Summary: 1990 to 2010

[In thousands (7,047 represents 7,047,000), except as indicated. For civilian noninstitutionalized population 16 years old and over. Annual averages of monthly figures. Based on the Current Population Survey; see text, Section 1 and Appendix III. For data on unemployment insurance, see Table 629]

Item	1990 ¹	2000 ¹	2005 ¹	2006 ¹	2007 ¹	2008 ¹	2009 ¹	2010 ¹
UNEMPLOYED								
Total²	7,047	5,692	7,591	7,001	7,078	8,924	14,265	14,825
16 to 19 years old	1,212	1,081	1,186	1,119	1,101	1,285	1,552	1,528
20 to 24 years old	1,299	1,022	1,335	1,234	1,241	1,545	2,207	2,329
25 to 34 years old	1,995	1,207	1,661	1,521	1,544	1,949	3,284	3,386
35 to 44 years old	1,328	1,133	1,400	1,279	1,225	1,604	2,722	2,703
45 to 54 years old	723	762	1,195	1,094	1,135	1,473	2,592	2,769
55 to 64 years old	386	355	630	595	642	803	1,487	1,660
65 years and over	105	132	184	159	190	264	421	449
Male	3,906	2,975	4,059	3,753	3,882	5,033	8,453	8,626
16 to 19 years old	667	599	667	622	623	736	898	863
20 to 24 years old	715	547	775	705	721	920	1,329	1,398
25 to 34 years old	1,092	602	844	810	856	1,119	1,988	1,993
35 to 44 years old	711	557	715	642	634	875	1,600	1,534
45 to 54 years old	413	398	624	569	591	804	1,558	1,614
55 to 64 years old	249	189	331	318	349	425	840	962
65 years and over	59	83	102	88	108	153	241	262
Female	3,140	2,717	3,531	3,247	3,196	3,891	5,811	6,199
16 to 19 years old	544	483	519	496	478	549	654	665
20 to 24 years old	584	475	560	530	520	625	878	931
25 to 34 years old	902	604	817	711	688	830	1,296	1,392
35 to 44 years old	617	577	685	637	591	730	1,121	1,169
45 to 54 years old	310	364	571	524	544	669	1,034	1,156
55 to 64 years old	137	165	299	277	293	377	647	698
65 years and over	46	50	82	71	81	111	180	187
White³	5,186	4,121	5,350	5,002	5,143	6,509	10,648	10,916
Black³	1,565	1,241	1,700	1,549	1,445	1,788	2,606	2,852
Asian^{3, 4}	(NA)	227	259	205	229	285	522	543
Hispanic⁵	876	954	1,191	1,081	1,220	1,678	2,706	2,843
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE⁶ (percent)								
Total²	5.6	4.0	5.1	4.6	4.6	5.8	9.3	9.6
16 to 19 years old	15.5	13.1	16.6	15.4	15.7	18.7	24.3	25.9
20 to 24 years old	8.8	7.2	8.8	8.2	8.2	10.2	14.7	15.5
25 to 34 years old	5.6	3.7	5.1	4.7	4.7	5.8	9.9	10.1
35 to 44 years old	4.1	3.0	3.9	3.6	3.4	4.6	7.9	8.1
45 to 54 years old	3.6	2.5	3.5	3.1	3.2	4.1	7.2	7.7
55 to 64 years old	3.3	2.5	3.3	3.0	3.1	3.7	6.6	7.1
65 years and over	3.0	3.1	3.5	2.9	3.3	4.2	6.4	6.7
Male	5.7	3.9	5.1	4.6	4.7	6.1	10.3	10.5
16 to 19 years old	16.3	14.0	18.6	16.9	17.6	21.2	27.8	28.8
20 to 24 years old	9.1	7.3	9.6	8.7	8.9	11.4	17.0	17.8
25 to 34 years old	5.5	3.4	4.7	4.5	4.7	6.1	10.9	10.9
35 to 44 years old	4.1	2.8	3.7	3.3	3.3	4.6	8.6	8.5
45 to 54 years old	3.7	2.4	3.5	3.1	3.1	4.2	8.2	8.6
55 to 64 years old	3.8	2.4	3.3	3.0	3.2	3.8	7.2	8.0
65 years and over	3.0	3.3	3.4	2.8	3.4	4.5	6.7	7.1
Female	5.5	4.1	5.1	4.6	4.5	5.4	8.1	8.6
16 to 19 years old	14.7	12.1	14.5	13.8	13.8	16.2	20.7	22.8
20 to 24 years old	8.5	7.1	7.9	7.6	7.3	8.8	12.3	13.0
25 to 34 years old	5.6	4.1	5.6	4.9	4.6	5.5	8.6	9.1
35 to 44 years old	4.2	3.3	4.1	3.9	3.6	4.5	7.1	7.7
45 to 54 years old	3.4	2.5	3.5	3.1	3.2	3.9	6.0	6.8
55 to 64 years old	2.8	2.5	3.3	2.9	3.0	3.7	6.0	6.2
65 years and over	3.1	2.7	3.5	3.0	3.1	3.9	6.1	6.2
White³	4.8	3.5	4.4	4.0	4.1	5.2	8.5	8.7
Black³	11.4	7.6	10.0	8.9	8.3	10.1	14.8	16.0
Asian^{3, 4}	(NA)	3.6	4.0	3.0	3.2	4.0	7.3	7.5
Hispanic⁵	8.2	5.7	6.0	5.2	5.6	7.6	12.1	12.5
Percent without work for—								
Fewer than 5 weeks	46.3	44.9	35.1	37.3	35.9	32.8	22.2	18.7
5 to 14 weeks	32.0	31.9	30.4	30.3	31.5	31.4	26.8	22.0
15 weeks and over...	21.6	23.2	34.5	32.4	32.5	35.7	51.0	59.3
15 to 26 weeks	11.7	11.8	14.9	14.7	15.0	16.0	19.5	16.0
27 weeks and over	10.0	11.4	19.6	17.6	17.6	19.7	31.5	43.3
Unemployment duration, average (weeks)	12.0	12.6	18.4	16.8	16.8	17.9	24.4	33.0

NA Not available. ¹ See footnote 2, Table 586. ² Includes other races not shown separately. ³ See footnote 4, Table 587.

⁴ Prior to 2004, includes Pacific Islanders. ⁵ Persons of Hispanic or Latino origin may be any race. ⁶ Unemployed as percent of civilian labor force in specified group.

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, "Employment and Earnings Online," January 2011 issue, March 2011, <<http://www.bls.gov/opub/ee/home.htm>> and <<http://www.bls.gov/cps/home.htm>>.