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## EMPLOYMENT CHARACTERISTICS OF FAMILIES — 2011

In 2011, 11.5 percent of families included an unemployed person, falling from a peak of 12.4 percent in 2010, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reported today. Of the nation's 78.4 million families, 79.8 percent had at least one employed member in 2011.

These data on employment, unemployment, and family relationships are collected as part of the Current Population Survey (CPS), a monthly sample survey of approximately 60,000 households. Families are classified either as married-couple families or as families maintained by women or men without spouses present. For further information about the CPS, see the Technical Note.

### Families and Unemployment

The number of families with at least one member unemployed decreased from 9.7 million in 2010 to 9.0 million in 2011. The proportion of families with an unemployed member also declined from a peak of 12.4 percent in 2010 to 11.5 percent in 2011. In 2011, black and Hispanic families remained more likely to have an unemployed member (18.9 and 16.3 percent, respectively) than white and Asian families (10.4 and 10.9 percent, respectively). (See table 1.)

Most families with an unemployed member also have at least one family member who is employed. Among families with an unemployed member in 2011, 67.2 percent also had an employed family member, about the same as in 2010. (See table 1.)

Among married-couple families with an unemployed member in 2011, 79.2 percent contained at least one employed family member. Among families maintained by men (no spouse present) with an unemployed member, 53.6 percent had an employed member in 2011; for families maintained by women (no spouse present), the proportion was 45.9 percent. These proportions were little changed from 2010 for the three family types. (See table 3.)

### Families and Employment

The share of families with an employed member edged down from 80.0 percent in 2010 to 79.8 percent in 2011. The likelihood of having an employed family member declined to 74.2 percent in 2011 for black families. The share for Asian families rose to 88.0 percent, while the likelihood for white and Hispanic families showed little or no change at 80.2 and 84.2 percent, respectively. (See table 1.)

In 2011, families maintained by women with no spouse present remained less likely to have an employed member (71.7 percent) than married-couple families (81.9 percent) or families maintained by men with no spouse present (80.2 percent). Both the husband and wife were employed in 47.5 percent of married-couple families in 2011. The husband was the only worker in 19.9 percent of married-couple families, and the wife was the only worker in 8.3 percent. (See table 2.)

### **Families with Children**

Forty-four percent of all families included children (sons, daughters, step-children, or adopted children) under age 18. Among the 34.3 million families with children, 87.2 percent had an employed parent in 2011, compared with 87.4 percent in 2010. The mother was employed in 65.9 percent of families maintained by women with no spouse present in 2011, down from 67.0 percent in 2010. The father was employed in 79.6 percent of families maintained by men with no spouse present in 2011, up from 75.8 percent in 2010. Among married-couple families with children, 95.8 percent had an employed parent in 2011, little changed from the prior year. The share of married-couple families where both parents worked edged up to 58.5 percent in 2011 from 58.1 percent in 2010. (See table 4.)

### **Mothers**

The labor force participation rate—the percent of the population working or looking for work—for all mothers with children under age 18 was 70.6 percent in 2011, little different from 70.8 percent in 2010. In 2011, the participation rate for married mothers with a spouse present (68.7 percent) remained lower than the rate for mothers with other marital statuses (74.6 percent). (Other marital status refers to persons who never married or are widowed, divorced, separated, or married but living apart from their spouse.) Married mothers were about as likely to be employed as mothers with other marital statuses in 2011, but their unemployment rate was substantially lower—6.0 percent, compared with 15.0 percent for mothers with other marital statuses. (See table 5.)

Mothers with younger children are less likely to be in the labor force than mothers with older children. In 2011, the labor force participation rate of mothers with children under 6 years old (63.9 percent) was lower than the rate of those whose youngest child was 6 to 17 years old (76.1 percent). The participation rate of mothers with infants under a year old was 55.8 percent. Among mothers with infants, there was little difference in the participation rate of married mothers (56.9 percent) and those with other marital statuses (53.2 percent). However, the unemployment rate for married mothers of infants, at 6.4 percent, was considerably lower than the rate for mothers with other marital statuses (24.2 percent). (See tables 5 and 6.)

# Technical Note

The estimates in this release are based on annual average data from the Current Population Survey (CPS). The CPS, which is conducted by the U.S. Census Bureau for the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS), is a monthly survey of about 60,000 eligible households that provides information on the labor force status, demographics, and other characteristics of the nation's civilian noninstitutional population age 16 and over.

The data for 2011 presented in this release are not strictly comparable with data for 2010 and earlier years because of the introduction in January 2011 of revised population controls used in the CPS. The effect of the revised population controls on the family estimates is unknown. However, the effect of the new controls on the monthly CPS estimates was to decrease the December 2010 employment level by 472,000 and the unemployment level by 32,000. The updated controls had little or no effect on unemployment rates and other ratios. Additional information is available from the BLS website at [www.bls.gov/cps/documentation.htm#pop](http://www.bls.gov/cps/documentation.htm#pop).

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## Reliability of the estimates

Statistics based on the CPS are subject to both sampling and nonsampling error. When a sample, rather than the entire population, is surveyed, there is a chance that the sample estimates may differ from the "true" population values they represent. The exact difference, or *sampling error*, varies depending on the particular sample selected, and this variability is measured by the standard error of the estimate. There is about a 90-percent chance, or level of confidence, that an estimate based on a sample will differ by no more than 1.6 standard errors from the "true" population value because of sampling error. BLS analyses are generally conducted at the 90-percent level of confidence.

The CPS data also are affected by *nonsampling error*. Nonsampling error can occur for many reasons, including the failure to sample a segment of the population, inability to obtain information for all respondents in the sample, inability or unwillingness of respondents to provide correct information, and errors made in the collection or processing of the data.

A full discussion of the reliability of data from the CPS and information on estimating standard errors is available at [www.bls.gov/cps/documentation.htm#reliability](http://www.bls.gov/cps/documentation.htm#reliability).

## Definitions

Definitions of the principal terms used in this release are presented below.

*Family.* A family is a group of two or more persons residing together who are related by birth, marriage, or adoption. The count of families is for "primary" families only, that is, the householder and all other persons related to and residing with the householder. Families are classified either as married-

couple families or as families maintained by women or men without spouses. Families include those without children as well as those with children under 18.

*Householder.* The householder is the family reference person. This is the person (or one of the persons) in whose name the housing unit is owned or rented. The relationship of other individuals in the household is defined in terms of relationship to the householder. The race or ethnicity of the family is determined by that of the householder.

*Married, spouse present; other marital status.* These terms denote the marital status of individuals at the time of interview. Married, spouse present, refers to husbands and wives living together in the same household, even though one may be temporarily absent on business, on vacation, on a visit, in a hospital, or for other reasons. Other marital status includes persons who are never-married; married, spouse absent; separated; widowed; or divorced. Separated includes persons with legal separations, those living apart with intentions of obtaining a divorce, and other people permanently or temporarily separated because of marital discord. Married, spouse absent, includes married people living apart because either the husband or wife was employed and living at a considerable distance from home, was serving away from home in the Armed Forces, had moved to another area, or had a different place of residence for any other reason except separation as defined above.

*Children.* Data on children refer to own children under age 18 that live in the household. Included are sons, daughters, step-children, and adopted children of the husband, wife, or person maintaining the family. Not included are nieces, nephews, grandchildren, other related children, and all unrelated children living in the household.

*Employed.* Employed persons are (a) all those who, during the survey reference week, did any work at all as paid employees, worked in their own business, profession, or on their own farm, or who worked 15 hours or more as unpaid workers in a family-operated enterprise; and (b) all those who did not work but had jobs or businesses from which they were temporarily absent due to illness, bad weather, vacation, child-care problems, labor disputes, or personal reasons, whether or not they were paid for the time off and whether or not they were seeking other jobs.

*Unemployed.* The unemployed are persons who had no employment during the reference week, were available for work at that time, and had made specific efforts to find employment sometime during the 4-week period ending with the reference week. Persons who were waiting to be recalled to a job from which they had been laid off need not be looking for work to be classified as unemployed.

*Civilian labor force.* The civilian labor force comprises all persons classified as employed or unemployed.

*Unemployment rate.* The unemployment rate is the number unemployed as a percent of the civilian labor force.

*Labor force participation rate.* The labor force participation rate is the labor force as a percent of the population.

**Table 1. Employment and unemployment in families by race and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity, 2010-2011 annual averages**

[Numbers in thousands]

Characteristic	2010	2011
<b>EMPLOYMENT IN FAMILIES</b>		
Total families.....	78,246	78,362
With at least one family member employed.....	62,560	62,529
As a percent of total families.....	80.0	79.8
With at least one family member employed full time <sup>1</sup> .....	56,471	56,498
With no family member employed.....	15,686	15,833
As a percent of total families.....	20.0	20.2
<b>White</b>		
Total families.....	63,551	63,635
With at least one family member employed.....	51,048	51,030
As a percent of total families.....	80.3	80.2
With at least one family member employed full time <sup>1</sup> .....	46,150	46,203
With no family member employed.....	12,502	12,605
As a percent of total families.....	19.7	19.8
<b>Black or African American</b>		
Total families.....	9,404	9,370
With at least one family member employed.....	7,030	6,954
As a percent of total families.....	74.8	74.2
With at least one family member employed full time <sup>1</sup> .....	6,222	6,105
With no family member employed.....	2,374	2,416
As a percent of total families.....	25.2	25.8
<b>Asian</b>		
Total families.....	3,531	3,559
With at least one family member employed.....	3,081	3,131
As a percent of total families.....	87.3	88.0
With at least one family member employed full time <sup>1</sup> .....	2,863	2,932
With no family member employed.....	450	427
As a percent of total families.....	12.7	12.0
<b>Hispanic or Latino ethnicity</b>		
Total families.....	10,561	10,902
With at least one family member employed.....	8,897	9,178
As a percent of total families.....	84.2	84.2
With at least one family member employed full time <sup>1</sup> .....	7,934	8,201
With no family member employed.....	1,664	1,724
As a percent of total families.....	15.8	15.8
<b>UNEMPLOYMENT IN FAMILIES</b>		
Total families.....	78,246	78,362
With at least one family member unemployed.....	9,695	9,043
As a percent of total families.....	12.4	11.5
Some family member(s) employed.....	6,566	6,079
As a percent of families with at least one family member unemployed.....	67.7	67.2
Some family member(s) employed full time <sup>1</sup> .....	5,572	5,211
As a percent of families with at least one family member unemployed.....	57.5	57.6
<b>White</b>		
Total families.....	63,551	63,635
With at least one family member unemployed.....	7,202	6,608
As a percent of total families.....	11.3	10.4
Some family member(s) employed.....	5,069	4,627
As a percent of families with at least one family member unemployed.....	70.4	70.0
Some family member(s) employed full time <sup>1</sup> .....	4,289	3,964
As a percent of families with at least one family member unemployed.....	59.6	60.0
<b>Black or African American</b>		
Total families.....	9,404	9,370
With at least one family member unemployed.....	1,807	1,767
As a percent of total families.....	19.2	18.9

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 1. Employment and unemployment in families by race and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity, 2010-2011 annual averages — Continued**

[Numbers in thousands]

Characteristic	2010	2011
Some family member(s) employed.....	1,009	985
As a percent of families with at least one family member unemployed.....	55.8	55.7
Some family member employed full time <sup>1</sup> .....	862	835
As a percent of families with at least one family member unemployed.....	47.7	47.3
<b>Asian</b>		
Total families.....	3,531	3,559
With at least one family member unemployed.....	400	389
As a percent of total families.....	11.3	10.9
Some family member(s) employed.....	308	298
As a percent of families with at least one family member unemployed.....	76.8	76.4
Some family member(s) employed full time <sup>1</sup> .....	267	270
As a percent of families with at least one family member unemployed.....	66.7	69.3
<b>Hispanic or Latino ethnicity</b>		
Total families.....	10,561	10,902
With at least one family member unemployed.....	1,841	1,781
As a percent of total families.....	17.4	16.3
Some family member(s) employed.....	1,262	1,226
As a percent of families with at least one family member unemployed.....	68.6	68.8
Some family member(s) employed full time <sup>1</sup> .....	1,060	1,030
As a percent of families with at least one family member unemployed.....	57.6	57.8

<sup>1</sup> Usually work 35 hours or more a week at all jobs.

NOTE: The race or ethnicity of the family is determined by that of the householder, the family reference person in whose name the housing unit is owned or rented. Estimates for the above race groups (white, black or African American, and Asian) do not sum to totals because data are not presented for all races. Persons whose ethnicity is identified as Hispanic or Latino may be of any race. Updated population controls are introduced annually with the release of January data.

**Table 2. Families by presence and relationship of employed members and family type, 2010-2011 annual averages**

[Numbers in thousands]

Characteristic	Number		Percent distribution	
	2010	2011	2010	2011
<b>MARRIED-COUPLE FAMILIES</b>				
Total.....	57,524	57,290	100.0	100.0
With at least one family member employed.....	47,238	46,910	82.1	81.9
Husband only.....	11,311	11,426	19.7	19.9
Wife only.....	4,937	4,764	8.6	8.3
Husband and wife.....	27,501	27,229	47.8	47.5
Other employment combinations.....	3,489	3,491	6.1	6.1
With no family member employed.....	10,286	10,379	17.9	18.1
<b>FAMILIES MAINTAINED BY WOMEN<sup>1</sup></b>				
Total.....	14,913	15,147	100.0	100.0
With at least one family member employed.....	10,715	10,867	71.9	71.7
Householder only.....	6,189	6,248	41.5	41.2
Householder and other member(s).....	2,603	2,683	17.5	17.7
Other member(s), not householder.....	1,923	1,937	12.9	12.8
With no family member employed.....	4,198	4,280	28.1	28.3
<b>FAMILIES MAINTAINED BY MEN<sup>1</sup></b>				
Total.....	5,809	5,926	100.0	100.0
With at least one family member employed.....	4,607	4,752	79.3	80.2
Householder only.....	2,215	2,399	38.1	40.5
Householder and other member(s).....	1,525	1,506	26.2	25.4
Other member(s), not householder.....	867	847	14.9	14.3
With no family member employed.....	1,202	1,174	20.7	19.8

1 No spouse present.

NOTE: Detail may not sum to totals due to rounding. Updated population controls are introduced annually with the release of January data.

**Table 3. Unemployment in families by presence and relationship of employed members and family type, 2010-2011 annual averages**  
 [Numbers in thousands]

Characteristic	Number		Percent distribution	
	2010	2011	2010	2011
<b>MARRIED-COUPLE FAMILIES</b>				
With at least one family member unemployed, total.....	6,147	5,576	100.0	100.0
<b>Employment of family members</b>				
Some family member(s) employed.....	4,884	4,413	79.4	79.2
No family member employed.....	1,263	1,162	20.6	20.8
<b>Unemployment of family members</b>				
Husband unemployed.....	2,813	2,387	45.8	42.8
Wife employed.....	1,783	1,497	29.0	26.9
Wife unemployed.....	1,697	1,610	27.6	28.9
Husband employed.....	1,455	1,350	23.7	24.2
Other family member(s) unemployed.....	1,637	1,579	26.6	28.3
<b>FAMILIES MAINTAINED BY WOMEN<sup>1</sup></b>				
With at least one family member unemployed, total.....	2,446	2,498	100.0	100.0
<b>Employment of family members</b>				
Some family member(s) employed.....	1,094	1,146	44.7	45.9
No family member employed.....	1,351	1,352	55.3	54.1
<b>Unemployment of family members</b>				
Householder unemployed.....	1,227	1,268	50.2	50.8
Other member(s) employed.....	254	275	10.4	11.0
Other family member(s) unemployed.....	1,218	1,229	49.8	49.2
<b>FAMILIES MAINTAINED BY MEN<sup>1</sup></b>				
With at least one family member unemployed, total.....	1,102	970	100.0	100.0
<b>Employment of family members</b>				
Some family member(s) employed.....	587	520	53.3	53.6
No family member employed.....	515	450	46.7	46.4
<b>Unemployment of family members</b>				
Householder unemployed.....	680	575	61.7	59.4
Other member(s) employed.....	259	231	23.5	23.8
Other family member(s) unemployed.....	422	394	38.3	40.6

<sup>1</sup> No spouse present.

NOTE: Detail may not sum to totals due to rounding. Updated population controls are introduced annually with the release of January data.

**Table 4. Families with own children: Employment status of parents by age of youngest child and family type, 2010-2011 annual averages**  
 [Numbers in thousands]

Characteristic	Number		Percent distribution	
	2010	2011	2010	2011
<b>WITH OWN CHILDREN UNDER 18 YEARS</b>				
Total families.....	34,513	34,269	100.0	100.0
Parent(s) employed.....	30,153	29,891	87.4	87.2
No parent employed.....	4,359	4,379	12.6	12.8
<b>Married-couple families</b>				
Total.....	23,804	23,334	100.0	100.0
Parent(s) employed.....	22,776	22,360	95.7	95.8
Mother employed.....	15,577	15,267	65.4	65.4
Both parents employed.....	13,822	13,649	58.1	58.5
Mother employed, not father.....	1,755	1,618	7.4	6.9
Father employed, not mother.....	7,199	7,093	30.2	30.4
Neither parent employed.....	1,028	974	4.3	4.2
<b>Families maintained by mother<sup>1</sup></b>				
Total.....	8,401	8,538	100.0	100.0
Mother employed.....	5,627	5,622	67.0	65.9
Mother not employed.....	2,774	2,916	33.0	34.1
<b>Families maintained by father<sup>1</sup></b>				
Total.....	2,308	2,397	100.0	100.0
Father employed.....	1,750	1,908	75.8	79.6
Father not employed.....	557	489	24.2	20.4
<b>WITH OWN CHILDREN 6 TO 17 YEARS, NONE YOUNGER</b>				
Total families.....	19,480	19,301	100.0	100.0
Parent(s) employed.....	17,224	17,027	88.4	88.2
No parent employed.....	2,257	2,274	11.6	11.8
<b>Married-couple families</b>				
Total.....	13,203	12,927	100.0	100.0
Parent(s) employed.....	12,650	12,388	95.8	95.8
Mother employed.....	9,333	9,118	70.7	70.5
Both parents employed.....	8,256	8,136	62.5	62.9
Mother employed, not father.....	1,076	982	8.2	7.6
Father employed, not mother.....	3,318	3,270	25.1	25.3
Neither parent employed.....	553	539	4.2	4.2
<b>Families maintained by mother<sup>1</sup></b>				
Total.....	4,987	5,043	100.0	100.0
Mother employed.....	3,594	3,575	72.1	70.9
Mother not employed.....	1,393	1,468	27.9	29.1
<b>Families maintained by father<sup>1</sup></b>				
Total.....	1,290	1,330	100.0	100.0
Father employed.....	979	1,063	75.9	79.9
Father not employed.....	311	267	24.1	20.1
<b>WITH OWN CHILDREN UNDER 6 YEARS</b>				
Total families.....	15,032	14,969	100.0	100.0
Parent(s) employed.....	12,930	12,864	86.0	85.9
No parent employed.....	2,103	2,105	14.0	14.1
<b>Married-couple families</b>				
Total.....	10,601	10,407	100.0	100.0
Parent(s) employed.....	10,125	9,972	95.5	95.8
Mother employed.....	6,244	6,149	58.9	59.1
Both parents employed.....	5,566	5,512	52.5	53.0
Mother employed, not father.....	678	636	6.4	6.1
Father employed, not mother.....	3,881	3,824	36.6	36.7
Neither parent employed.....	475	435	4.5	4.2
<b>Families maintained by mother<sup>1</sup></b>				
Total.....	3,414	3,495	100.0	100.0
Mother employed.....	2,033	2,047	59.6	58.6

See footnotes at end of table.



**Table 4. Families with own children: Employment status of parents by age of youngest child and family type, 2010-2011 annual averages — Continued**

[Numbers in thousands]

Characteristic	Number		Percent distribution	
	2010	2011	2010	2011
Mother not employed.....	1,381	1,448	40.4	41.4
<b>Families maintained by father<sup>1</sup></b>				
Total.....	1,018	1,067	100.0	100.0
Father employed.....	771	845	75.8	79.2
Father not employed.....	247	222	24.2	20.8

<sup>1</sup> No spouse present.

NOTE: Own children include sons, daughters, step-children, and adopted children. Not included are nieces, nephews, grandchildren, and other related and unrelated children. Detail may not sum to totals due to rounding. Updated population controls are introduced annually with the release of January data.

**Table 5. Employment status of the population by sex, marital status, and presence and age of own children under 18, 2010-2011 annual averages**  
 [Numbers in thousands]

Characteristic	2010			2011		
	Total	Men	Women	Total	Men	Women
<b>WITH OWN CHILDREN UNDER 18 YEARS</b>						
Civilian noninstitutional population.....	64,488	28,463	36,025	63,885	28,143	35,743
Civilian labor force.....	52,159	26,661	25,499	51,521	26,302	25,219
Participation rate.....	80.9	93.7	70.8	80.6	93.5	70.6
Employed.....	47,863	24,653	23,210	47,578	24,619	22,959
Full-time workers <sup>1</sup> .....	40,282	23,176	17,106	40,275	23,245	17,029
Part-time workers <sup>2</sup> .....	7,581	1,477	6,104	7,303	1,374	5,930
Employment-population ratio.....	74.2	86.6	64.4	74.5	87.5	64.2
Unemployed.....	4,296	2,008	2,289	3,943	1,683	2,260
Unemployment rate.....	8.2	7.5	9.0	7.7	6.4	9.0
<b>Married, spouse present</b>						
Civilian noninstitutional population.....	50,868	25,820	25,049	49,999	25,392	24,607
Civilian labor force.....	41,600	24,332	17,268	40,783	23,873	16,911
Participation rate.....	81.8	94.2	68.9	81.6	94.0	68.7
Employed.....	38,870	22,689	16,181	38,379	22,480	15,900
Full-time workers <sup>1</sup> .....	33,142	21,444	11,698	32,940	21,322	11,618
Part-time workers <sup>2</sup> .....	5,728	1,245	4,482	5,440	1,158	4,282
Employment-population ratio.....	76.4	87.9	64.6	76.8	88.5	64.6
Unemployed.....	2,730	1,643	1,087	2,404	1,393	1,011
Unemployment rate.....	6.6	6.8	6.3	5.9	5.8	6.0
<b>Other marital status<sup>3</sup></b>						
Civilian noninstitutional population.....	13,620	2,643	10,977	13,886	2,751	11,135
Civilian labor force.....	10,559	2,329	8,230	10,737	2,429	8,308
Participation rate.....	77.5	88.1	75.0	77.3	88.3	74.6
Employed.....	8,994	1,964	7,029	9,198	2,139	7,059
Full-time workers <sup>1</sup> .....	7,140	1,732	5,408	7,335	1,923	5,412
Part-time workers <sup>2</sup> .....	1,853	232	1,621	1,864	216	1,647
Employment-population ratio.....	66.0	74.3	64.0	66.2	77.8	63.4
Unemployed.....	1,566	365	1,201	1,539	290	1,249
Unemployment rate.....	14.8	15.7	14.6	14.3	11.9	15.0
<b>WITH OWN CHILDREN 6 TO 17 YEARS, NONE YOUNGER</b>						
Civilian noninstitutional population.....	35,402	15,639	19,763	35,027	15,431	19,596
Civilian labor force.....	29,625	14,515	15,110	29,193	14,289	14,904
Participation rate.....	83.7	92.8	76.5	83.3	92.6	76.1
Employed.....	27,421	13,482	13,939	27,178	13,422	13,756
Full-time workers <sup>1</sup> .....	23,239	12,725	10,514	23,186	12,735	10,450
Part-time workers <sup>2</sup> .....	4,182	757	3,425	3,992	686	3,306
Employment-population ratio.....	77.5	86.2	70.5	77.6	87.0	70.2
Unemployed.....	2,204	1,032	1,172	2,015	867	1,148
Unemployment rate.....	7.4	7.1	7.8	6.9	6.1	7.7
<b>WITH OWN CHILDREN UNDER 6 YEARS</b>						
Civilian noninstitutional population.....	29,086	12,824	16,262	28,858	12,712	16,146
Civilian labor force.....	22,534	12,146	10,388	22,328	12,013	10,315
Participation rate.....	77.5	94.7	63.9	77.4	94.5	63.9
Employed.....	20,442	11,171	9,271	20,400	11,197	9,203
Full-time workers <sup>1</sup> .....	17,043	10,451	6,592	17,089	10,510	6,579
Part-time workers <sup>2</sup> .....	3,399	720	2,679	3,311	687	2,624
Employment-population ratio.....	70.3	87.1	57.0	70.7	88.1	57.0
Unemployed.....	2,092	975	1,117	1,928	816	1,112
Unemployment rate.....	9.3	8.0	10.8	8.6	6.8	10.8
<b>WITH NO OWN CHILDREN UNDER 18 YEARS</b>						
Civilian noninstitutional population.....	173,342	86,711	86,631	175,732	88,175	87,558
Civilian labor force.....	101,729	55,324	46,405	102,096	55,673	46,423
Participation rate.....	58.7	63.8	53.6	58.1	63.1	53.0
Employed.....	91,201	48,706	42,495	92,291	49,671	42,620

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 5. Employment status of the population by sex, marital status, and presence and age of own children under 18, 2010-2011 annual averages — Continued**

[Numbers in thousands]

Characteristic	2010			2011		
	Total	Men	Women	Total	Men	Women
Full-time workers <sup>1</sup> .....	71,432	40,325	31,108	72,282	41,087	31,194
Part-time workers <sup>2</sup> .....	19,769	8,381	11,387	20,010	8,584	11,426
Employment-population ratio.....	52.6	56.2	49.1	52.5	56.3	48.7
Unemployed.....	10,528	6,618	3,910	9,805	6,002	3,803
Unemployment rate.....	10.3	12.0	8.4	9.6	10.8	8.2

1 Usually work 35 hours or more a week at all jobs.

2 Usually work less than 35 hours a week at all jobs.

3 Includes never married; married, spouse absent; divorced; separated; and widowed persons.

NOTE: Own children include sons, daughters, step-children, and adopted children. Not included are nieces, nephews, grandchildren, and other related and unrelated children. Detail may not sum to totals due to rounding. Updated population controls are introduced annually with the release of January data.

**Table 6. Employment status of mothers with own children under 3 years old by single year of age of youngest child and marital status, 2010-2011 annual averages**

[Numbers in thousands]

Characteristic	2010				2011			
	With own children under 3 years old				With own children under 3 years old			
	Total	2 years	1 year	Under 1 year	Total	2 years	1 year	Under 1 year
<b>TOTAL MOTHERS</b>								
Civilian noninstitutional population.....	9,503	2,968	3,351	3,184	9,259	2,893	3,353	3,013
Civilian labor force.....	5,770	1,908	2,062	1,800	5,613	1,848	2,083	1,682
Participation rate.....	60.7	64.3	61.5	56.5	60.6	63.9	62.1	55.8
Employed.....	5,114	1,708	1,815	1,590	4,977	1,645	1,844	1,488
Full-time workers <sup>1</sup> .....	3,570	1,200	1,243	1,128	3,486	1,169	1,296	1,021
Part-time workers <sup>2</sup> .....	1,543	509	572	462	1,492	476	548	467
Employment-population ratio.....	53.8	57.6	54.2	49.9	53.8	56.9	55.0	49.4
Unemployed.....	656	199	246	210	635	202	239	194
Unemployment rate.....	11.4	10.5	12.0	11.7	11.3	11.0	11.5	11.5
<b>Married, spouse present</b>								
Civilian noninstitutional population.....	6,642	2,055	2,344	2,243	6,488	1,999	2,381	2,109
Civilian labor force.....	3,941	1,275	1,403	1,263	3,854	1,220	1,434	1,200
Participation rate.....	59.3	62.1	59.8	56.3	59.4	61.0	60.2	56.9
Employed.....	3,670	1,195	1,301	1,174	3,603	1,138	1,342	1,123
Full-time workers <sup>1</sup> .....	2,596	841	896	859	2,594	822	967	805
Part-time workers <sup>2</sup> .....	1,074	354	405	315	1,009	316	375	318
Employment-population ratio.....	55.3	58.2	55.5	52.3	55.5	56.9	56.4	53.3
Unemployed.....	271	80	101	89	251	82	92	77
Unemployment rate.....	6.9	6.3	7.2	7.1	6.5	6.7	6.4	6.4
<b>Other marital status<sup>3</sup></b>								
Civilian noninstitutional population.....	2,862	914	1,007	941	2,771	894	973	905
Civilian labor force.....	1,828	633	659	537	1,759	628	649	482
Participation rate.....	63.9	69.2	65.5	57.0	63.5	70.3	66.8	53.2
Employed.....	1,444	514	514	416	1,375	508	502	365
Full-time workers <sup>1</sup> .....	974	359	346	269	892	347	329	216
Part-time workers <sup>2</sup> .....	470	155	168	147	483	161	173	149
Employment-population ratio.....	50.4	56.2	51.1	44.2	49.6	56.8	51.6	40.3
Unemployed.....	385	119	145	121	384	120	147	117
Unemployment rate.....	21.0	18.8	22.0	22.5	21.8	19.2	22.6	24.2

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