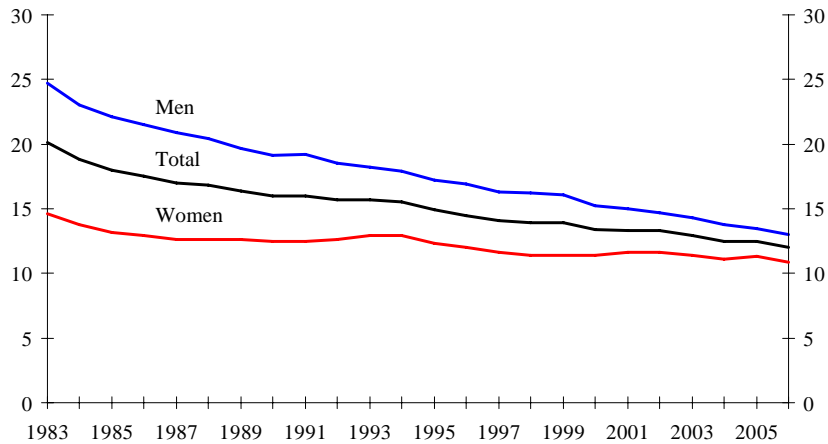


Chart 3-11. Union membership has declined over time

Percent of employed wage and salary workers



SOURCE: Bureau of Labor Statistics

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- In 2006, 12 percent of wage and salary workers were union members, down from 20.1 percent in 1983 (the first year for which comparable data are available).
- Nearly 4 in 10 government workers were union members in 2006, compared with fewer than 1 in 10 private-sector employees.
- Men are more likely than women to be union members; however, the disparity has narrowed over time. The difference in union membership among men and women reflects, in part, differences in occupation and industry.