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EMPLOYMENT SITUATION OF VETERANS — 2009

The **unemployment rate for veterans** who served in the military since September 2001—a group referred to as Gulf War-era II veterans—was 10.2 percent in 2009, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reported today. The jobless rate for veterans of all eras combined was 8.1 percent. About 21 percent of Gulf War-era II veterans reported having a **service-connected disability** in August 2009, compared with about 13 percent of all veterans.

This information was obtained from the Current Population Survey (CPS), a monthly sample survey of about 60,000 households that provides official statistics on employment and unemployment in the United States. Data about veterans are collected monthly in the CPS; those monthly data are the source of the 2009 annual averages presented in this release. In August 2009, a supplement to the CPS collected additional information about veterans on topics such as service-connected disability. Information from the supplement also is presented in this release. The supplement was co-sponsored by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs and by the U.S. Department of Labor's Veterans' Employment and Training Service. For more information, see the Technical Note, which provides definitions of terms used in this release.

Some highlights in this release are:

- Young male veterans (those ages 18 to 24) who served during Gulf War era II had an unemployment rate of 21.6 percent in 2009, not statistically different from the jobless rate of young male nonveterans (19.1 percent).
- Male veterans age 18 to 24 were more likely to participate in the labor force in 2009 than were their nonveteran counterparts—79.1 percent versus 69.1 percent.
- The unemployment rate for disabled veterans from all service periods was 8.2 percent in August 2009, essentially the same as the rate for nondisabled veterans (8.3 percent).
- Nearly 1 in 3 employed veterans with a service-connected disability worked in the public sector; 1 in 5 disabled veterans was employed by the federal government.
- Gulf War-era II veterans who were current or past members of the Reserve or National Guard had an unemployment rate of 10.6 percent, compared with a rate of 13.8 percent for those who had not been members.

The Veteran Population

In 2009, 22.2 million men and women in the civilian noninstitutional population ages 18 and over were veterans. (See table 1.) In the CPS, veterans are defined as men and women who have previously served on active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces and who were civilians at the time they were surveyed.

Veterans are more likely to be men and older than nonveterans. In part, this reflects the characteristics of veterans who served during World War II, the Korean War, and the Vietnam era. Veterans who served during these wartime periods account for about one-half (11.4 million) of the total veteran population. A total of 4.9 million veterans served during Gulf War era I (August 1990 to August 2001) or Gulf War era II (September 2001 forward). Another 5.9 million served outside the designated wartime periods. Because age and other demographic differences affect labor force status, the groups of veterans listed above are examined separately in the next sections.

Gulf War-era II Veterans

In 2009, about 1.9 million of the nation's veterans had served during Gulf War era II. About 18 percent of these veterans were women, compared with 3 percent of veterans from World War II, the Korean War, and the Vietnam era. Nearly two-thirds of all Gulf War-era II veterans were under the age of 35. (See tables 1 and 2.)

In 2009, a large majority (83.5 percent) of Gulf War-era II veterans participated in the labor force, and their unemployment rate was 10.2 percent. For those ages 18 to 24, the unemployment rate was 21.1 percent, twice that of Gulf War-era II veterans ages 25 to 34 (10.6 percent). In general, Gulf War-era II veterans had unemployment rates that were not statistically different from those of nonveterans of the same age group and gender.

Gulf War-era II veterans were much more likely to work in the public sector than were nonveterans—about 27 percent and 15 percent, respectively. Nearly 15 percent of employed veterans of the era worked for the federal government, compared with about 2 percent of nonveterans. (See table 4.)

Veterans of Gulf War era II and nonveterans had similar occupational profiles. About one-third of the men in both groups worked in management and professional occupations, a higher proportion than in any other major occupational group. Among women, 45 percent of Gulf War-era II veterans and 41 percent of nonveterans were employed in these occupations. (See table 3.)

Gulf War-era I Veterans

For the 2.9 million veterans who served during Gulf War era I (August 1990 to August 2001), the proportion that were men (85 percent in 2009) was similar to that of Gulf War-era II veterans. About 78 percent of the era's veterans were age 35 and over, compared with 35 percent of Gulf War-era II veterans. (See tables 1 and 2.)

The labor force participation rate of veterans from Gulf War era I was 87.7 percent in 2009, somewhat higher than the rate of Gulf War-era II veterans (83.5 percent). The unemployment rate for Gulf War-era I veterans (7.6 percent) was lower than the rate for Gulf War-era II veterans (10.2 percent). These differences in labor force participation and unemployment reflect, at least in part, the older age profile of veterans who served in Gulf War era I. In general, older workers tend to have higher participation rates and lower unemployment rates than younger workers. Unemployment rates of Gulf War-era I veterans

were similar to those of nonveterans of the same age group and gender; however, labor force participation rates were higher for female veterans than female nonveterans.

Veterans of World War II, the Korean War, and the Vietnam Era

In 2009, about 11.4 million veterans had served during World War II, the Korean War, or the Vietnam era. Nearly all of these veterans were at least 55 years old, and more than half were at least 65 years old. Virtually all (97 percent) of these veterans were men. In 2009, 38.4 percent of male veterans of these earlier wartime periods were in the labor force, and their unemployment rate was 7.6 percent. Male veterans of these wartime periods had lower labor force participation rates compared with male nonveterans in the same age categories. The unemployment rates of these veterans and nonveterans were similar, however. (See tables 1 and 2.)

Veterans of Other Service Periods

In 2009, nearly 6 million veterans had served on active duty during "other service periods," mainly between the Korean War and the Vietnam era, and between the Vietnam era and Gulf War era I. Because these veterans served between the major wartime periods, which span several decades, this group has a diverse age profile. About 40 percent of these veterans were 45 to 54 years old. Another 38 percent were 65 years and over, and 14 percent were 35 to 44 years old. (See tables 1 and 2.)

Nine in 10 veterans of other service periods were men. Among most age groups, male veterans of service periods between the designated wartime periods had labor force participation rates and unemployment rates that were similar to those of male nonveterans.

Veterans with a Service-connected Disability

In August 2009, about 2.8 million veterans, or 13 percent of the total, reported having a service-connected disability. (Some veterans did not report whether they had a service-connected disability.) Veterans with a service-connected disability are assigned a disability rating by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs. Ratings range from 0 to 100 percent, in increments of 10 percentage points, depending on the severity of the condition. About 4 in 10 disabled veterans reported a disability rating of less than 30 percent, while about 1 in 4 had a rating of 60 percent or higher. (See table 5.)

Among veterans who served in Gulf War era II, about 21 percent (413,000) reported having a service-connected disability. Of these, 80.5 percent were in the labor force, compared with 87.2 percent of nondisabled veterans from this period. The unemployment rate of disabled veterans from Gulf War era II was 11.8 percent, not statistically different from the rate for nondisabled veterans (12.7 percent).

About 18 percent (559,000) of veterans who served during Gulf War era I reported a service-connected disability. Their labor force participation rate (77.8 percent) was lower than the rate for veterans from the era who did not have a disability (92.8 percent). Unemployment rates for the disabled and nondisabled were not statistically different (9.3 and 8.1 percent, respectively).

Among the 1.4 million disabled veterans of World War II, the Korean War, and the Vietnam era, 28.8 percent were in the labor force in August 2009, compared with 37.0 percent of veterans from these periods who did not have a service-connected disability. The unemployment rate of disabled veterans from these wartime periods was 5.1 percent; for their nondisabled peers, it was 7.9 percent.

Disabled veterans from other service periods had a labor force participation rate of 51.3 percent, compared with 60.1 percent for nondisabled veterans from these periods. The unemployment rate of disabled veterans from other service periods was 6.2 percent, essentially the same as for the nondisabled—7.5 percent.

Many veterans with a service-connected disability worked in the public sector. In August 2009, 32 percent of employed disabled veterans worked in federal, state, or local government, compared with 21 percent of nondisabled veterans and 14 percent of nonveterans. About 20 percent of employed disabled veterans worked for the federal government, compared with about 8 percent of nondisabled veterans and 2 percent of nonveterans. (See table 6.)

Reserve and National Guard Membership

In both Gulf War era I and Gulf War era II, about one-third of veterans were reported to be current or past members of the Reserve or National Guard. One-half had never belonged to the Reserve or National Guard. Information on Reserve or National Guard status was not reported for the remainder. (See table 7.)

Among Gulf War-era II veterans, those who were current or past members of the Reserve or National Guard had an unemployment rate of 10.6 percent in August 2009, compared with 13.8 percent for those who had never been members. Labor force participation rates did not differ significantly by Reserve or National Guard membership for Gulf War-era II veterans. For veterans of Gulf War era I, labor force participation rates as well as unemployment rates were similar for Reserve or National Guard members and nonmembers.

Upcoming Change to the Veterans Supplement Schedule

In the previous news release on veterans (issued March 20, 2009), BLS announced that the annual releases would contain data from the veterans supplement in the even-numbered years, reflecting the biennial collection schedule for the supplement. Since that announcement, legislation was passed that mandates an annual veterans supplement. As a result, the future annual BLS news releases on veterans will feature both supplement and annual average data.

Technical Note

The data in this release were collected through the Current Population Survey (CPS). The CPS—a monthly survey of about 60,000 households conducted by the U.S. Census Bureau for the Bureau of Labor Statistics—obtains information on employment and unemployment among the nation's civilian noninstitutional population age 16 and over.

Most of the data in this release are annual averages for 2009, compiled from the results of the monthly survey. Some of the data, such as those related to service-connected disability and Reserve or National Guard status, are from special questions asked as part of the latest veterans supplement to the CPS, which was conducted in August 2009. The supplement was co-sponsored by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs and by the U.S. Department of Labor's Veterans' Employment and Training Service. Questions were asked of persons 17 years of age and older regarding their prior service in the U.S. Armed Forces. Data are tabulated for persons 18 years of age and older.

Information in this release will be made available to sensory impaired individuals upon request. Voice phone: (202) 691-5200; Federal Relay Service: (800) 877-8339.

Definitions

The definitions underlying the data in this release are as follows:

Veterans are men and women who previously served on active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces. Members of the Reserve and National Guard are counted as veterans if they had ever been called to active duty. Persons who are on active duty at the time of the survey are outside the scope of the survey and thus not in the estimates shown here, as are persons who reside in institutions, such as nursing homes and prisons.

Nonveterans are men and women who never served on active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces.

World War II, Korean War, Vietnam-era, and Gulf War-era veterans are men and women who served in the Armed Forces during these periods, regardless of where they served. Veterans who served in more than one wartime period are classified in the most recent one.

Veterans of other service periods are men and women who served in the Armed Forces at any time other than World War II, the Korean War, the Vietnam era, or the Gulf War era. Although U.S. Armed Forces were engaged in several armed conflicts during other service periods, these conflicts were more limited in scope and included a smaller proportion of the Armed Forces than the selected wartime periods. Veterans who served during one of the selected wartime periods and during another period are classified in the wartime period.

Veteran status is obtained from responses to the question, "Did you ever serve on active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces?"

Period of service is obtained from answers to the question asked of veterans, "When did you serve on active duty in the

U.S. Armed Forces?" The following service periods are identified:

- Gulf War era II — September 2001–present
- Gulf War era I — August 1990–August 2001
- Vietnam era — August 1964–April 1975
- Korean War — July 1950–January 1955
- World War II — December 1941–December 1946
- Other service periods — All other time periods

Period-of-service definitions are modified occasionally to reflect changes in law, regulations, and program needs of the survey sponsors.

Presence of service-connected disability is determined by answers to the question, "Has the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) or Department of Defense (DoD) determined that you have a service-connected disability, that is, a health condition or impairment caused or made worse by any of your military service?"

Service-connected disability rating is based on answers to the question, "What is your current service-connected disability rating?" Answers can range from 0 to 100 percent, in increments of 10 percentage points. Ratings are determined by the VA or DoD from a rating schedule published in the Code of Federal Regulations, Title 38, "Pensions, Bonuses, and Veterans' Relief," Part 4—"Schedule for Rating Disabilities." The rating schedule is "primarily a guide in the evaluation of disability resulting from all types of diseases and injuries encountered as a result of or incident to military service. The percentage ratings represent as far as can practicably be determined the average impairment in earning capacity resulting from such diseases and injuries and their residual conditions in civil occupations." Part 4 contains a listing of hundreds of possible disorders and assigns ratings of 0 through 100 percent, with instructions for rating multiple disorders.

Reserve or National Guard status is obtained from answers to two questions. Gulf War-era veterans were asked: "Was any of your active service the result of a call-up from the Reserve or National Guard?" If the answer was no, they were asked, "Have you ever been a member of the Reserve or National Guard?" A 'yes' response to either question classified persons as "Current or past member of the Reserve or National Guard." A 'no' response to the latter question classified persons as "Never a member of the Reserve or National Guard." These questions were asked only of Gulf War-era veterans.

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 will 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, the inability to obtain information for all respondents in the sample, the inability or unwillingness of respondents to provide correct information, and errors made in the collection or processing of the data.

For a full discussion of the reliability of data from the CPS and information on estimating standard errors, see the explanatory note for the household survey available online at www.bls.gov/cps/eetech_methods.pdf.

Table 1. Employment status of persons 18 years and over by veteran status, period of service, sex, race, and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity, 2009 annual averages

(Numbers in thousands)

Veteran status, period of service, sex, race, and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity	Civilian noninstitutional population	Civilian labor force						Not in labor force
		Total	Percent of population	Employed		Unemployed		
				Total	Percent of population	Total	Percent of labor force	
TOTAL								
Total, 18 years and over	226,857	151,915	67.0	138,227	60.9	13,688	9.0	74,942
Veterans	22,182	12,102	54.6	11,119	50.1	983	8.1	10,080
Gulf War era, total	4,855	4,177	86.0	3,817	78.6	360	8.6	678
Gulf War era I	2,915	2,556	87.7	2,361	81.0	195	7.6	358
Gulf War era II	1,940	1,620	83.5	1,455	75.0	165	10.2	319
WW II, Korean War, and Vietnam era	11,390	4,356	38.2	4,029	35.4	327	7.5	7,034
Other service periods	5,937	3,569	60.1	3,273	55.1	296	8.3	2,368
Nonveterans	204,676	139,813	68.3	127,108	62.1	12,706	9.1	64,862
Men								
Total, 18 years and over	109,588	81,020	73.9	72,884	66.5	8,136	10.0	28,568
Veterans	20,425	10,968	53.7	10,076	49.3	892	8.1	9,457
Gulf War era, total	4,057	3,558	87.7	3,254	80.2	305	8.6	499
Gulf War era I	2,464	2,195	89.1	2,026	82.2	169	7.7	269
Gulf War era II	1,593	1,363	85.6	1,228	77.1	136	9.9	230
WW II, Korean War, and Vietnam era	11,008	4,223	38.4	3,903	35.5	320	7.6	6,785
Other service periods	5,360	3,187	59.5	2,919	54.5	267	8.4	2,173
Nonveterans	89,163	70,052	78.6	62,807	70.4	7,245	10.3	19,111
Women								
Total, 18 years and over	117,269	70,895	60.5	65,343	55.7	5,552	7.8	46,374
Veterans	1,757	1,134	64.5	1,042	59.3	91	8.0	623
Gulf War era, total	797	618	77.5	563	70.6	55	9.0	179
Gulf War era I	451	361	80.1	335	74.4	26	7.1	90
Gulf War era II	347	257	74.2	228	65.6	30	11.5	89
WW II, Korean War, and Vietnam era	382	133	34.8	126	32.9	7	5.4	249
Other service periods	577	382	66.2	354	61.3	29	7.5	195
Nonveterans	115,512	69,761	60.4	64,301	55.7	5,461	7.8	45,751
White								
Total, 18 years and over	184,127	123,761	67.2	113,554	61.7	10,208	8.2	60,366
Veterans	19,075	10,202	53.5	9,418	49.4	784	7.7	8,873
Gulf War era, total	3,856	3,347	86.8	3,082	79.9	265	7.9	510
Gulf War era I	2,326	2,065	88.8	1,920	82.6	145	7.0	261
Gulf War era II	1,530	1,282	83.8	1,162	75.9	120	9.4	248
WW II, Korean War, and Vietnam era	10,243	3,935	38.4	3,647	35.6	288	7.3	6,308
Other service periods	4,976	2,920	58.7	2,689	54.0	231	7.9	2,056
Nonveterans	165,052	113,559	68.8	104,136	63.1	9,424	8.3	51,493
Black or African American								
Total, 18 years and over	26,812	17,432	65.0	14,923	55.7	2,509	14.4	9,380
Veterans	2,326	1,422	61.1	1,262	54.2	160	11.3	905
Gulf War era, total	747	619	82.9	541	72.5	78	12.6	128
Gulf War era I	459	382	83.2	336	73.2	46	12.0	77
Gulf War era II	288	238	82.4	205	71.2	32	13.5	51
WW II, Korean War, and Vietnam era	838	303	36.2	276	32.9	28	9.1	534
Other service periods	742	499	67.3	445	60.0	55	10.9	242
Nonveterans	24,486	16,011	65.4	13,661	55.8	2,349	14.7	8,475

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 1. Employment status of persons 18 years and over by veteran status, period of service, sex, race, and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity, 2009 annual averages—Continued

(Numbers in thousands)

Veteran status, period of service, sex, race, and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity	Civilian noninstitutional population	Civilian labor force						Not in labor force
		Total	Percent of population	Employed		Unemployed		
				Total	Percent of population	Total	Percent of labor force	
Asian								
Total, 18 years and over	10,464	7,076	67.6	6,571	62.8	505	7.1	3,388
Veterans	258	152	59.0	146	56.4	7	4.4	106
Gulf War era, total	80	66	83.0	64	79.9	2	3.8	14
Gulf War era I	41	35	85.2	34	82.9	1	2.7	6
Gulf War era II	39	32	80.6	30	76.7	2	(¹)	8
WW II, Korean War, and Vietnam era	111	36	32.7	34	30.6	2	6.4	74
Other service periods	68	50	73.6	48	70.9	2	3.7	18
Nonveterans	10,205	6,923	67.8	6,425	63.0	498	7.2	3,282
Hispanic or Latino ethnicity								
Total, 18 years and over	31,201	21,961	70.4	19,378	62.1	2,584	11.8	9,240
Veterans	1,225	804	65.7	742	60.6	62	7.7	420
Gulf War era, total	446	375	84.2	342	76.6	34	9.0	70
Gulf War era I	256	225	87.8	207	80.9	18	7.9	31
Gulf War era II	190	151	79.4	135	70.9	16	10.7	39
WW II, Korean War, and Vietnam era	452	204	45.0	188	41.5	16	7.8	249
Other service periods	327	225	69.0	213	65.2	12	5.5	101
Nonveterans	29,976	21,157	70.6	18,635	62.2	2,522	11.9	8,819

¹ Rates are not shown where base is less than 35,000.

NOTE: Veterans are men and women who served in the U.S. Armed Forces during World War II, the Korean War, the Vietnam era, the Gulf War era, and all other service periods. Nonveterans are men and women who never served in the U.S. Armed Forces. Other service periods include the periods between World War II and the Korean War,

between the Korean War and the Vietnam era, and between the Vietnam era and the Gulf War era. More detailed information appears in the Technical Note of this release. 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.

Table 2. Employment status of persons 18 years and over by veteran status, age, period of service, and sex, 2009 annual averages

(Numbers in thousands)

Veteran status, age, period of service, and sex	Civilian noninstitutional population	Civilian labor force						Not in labor force
		Total	Percent of population	Employed		Unemployed		
				Total	Percent of population	Total	Percent of labor force	
TOTAL								
VETERANS								
Total, 18 years and over	22,182	12,102	54.6	11,119	50.1	983	8.1	10,080
18 to 24 years	309	238	77.0	188	60.7	50	21.1	71
25 to 34 years	1,602	1,373	85.7	1,221	76.2	152	11.1	229
35 to 44 years	2,519	2,273	90.3	2,106	83.6	167	7.3	245
45 to 54 years	3,673	3,068	83.5	2,815	76.6	254	8.3	605
55 to 64 years	5,481	3,521	64.2	3,269	59.6	252	7.2	1,960
65 years and over	8,597	1,628	18.9	1,520	17.7	108	6.6	6,969
Gulf War era, total								
Total, 18 years and over	4,855	4,177	86.0	3,817	78.6	360	8.6	678
18 to 24 years	309	238	77.0	188	60.7	50	21.1	71
25 to 34 years	1,602	1,373	85.7	1,221	76.2	152	11.1	229
35 to 44 years	1,681	1,535	91.3	1,434	85.3	101	6.6	146
45 to 54 years	856	751	87.7	711	83.0	40	5.3	105
55 to 64 years	343	256	74.6	241	70.1	15	6.0	87
65 years and over	62	23	37.2	22	35.2	1	(¹)	39
Gulf War era I								
Total, 25 years and over	2,915	2,556	87.7	2,361	81.0	195	7.6	358
25 to 34 years	655	575	87.7	507	77.4	67	11.7	81
35 to 44 years	1,371	1,264	92.2	1,180	86.0	85	6.7	107
45 to 54 years	575	505	87.8	474	82.4	31	6.2	70
55 to 64 years	259	192	74.4	181	70.2	11	5.7	66
65 years and over	55	20	37.4	19	35.5	1	(¹)	34
Gulf War era II								
Total, 18 years and over	1,940	1,620	83.5	1,455	75.0	165	10.2	319
18 to 24 years	309	238	77.0	188	60.7	50	21.1	71
25 to 34 years	947	799	84.4	714	75.4	85	10.6	148
35 to 44 years	310	271	87.5	255	82.2	16	6.0	39
45 to 54 years	281	246	87.5	237	84.3	9	3.6	35
55 to 64 years	85	64	75.1	59	69.9	4	7.0	21
65 years and over	8	3	(¹)	3	(¹)	–	(¹)	5
WW II, Korean War, and Vietnam era								
Total, 45 years and over	11,390	4,356	38.2	4,029	35.4	327	7.5	7,034
45 to 54 years	414	309	74.7	273	65.9	36	11.7	105
55 to 64 years	4,713	2,986	63.4	2,764	58.6	223	7.5	1,727
65 years and over	6,263	1,061	16.9	993	15.9	68	6.4	5,203
Other service periods								
Total, 35 years and over	5,937	3,569	60.1	3,273	55.1	296	8.3	2,368
35 to 44 years	838	738	88.1	672	80.2	66	8.9	100
45 to 54 years	2,404	2,009	83.6	1,831	76.2	177	8.8	395
55 to 64 years	424	279	65.6	265	62.4	14	4.9	146
65 years and over	2,271	544	23.9	505	22.2	39	7.2	1,728
NONVETERANS								
Total, 18 years and over	204,676	139,813	68.3	127,108	62.1	12,706	9.1	64,862
18 to 24 years	28,315	18,896	66.7	15,762	55.7	3,133	16.6	9,419
25 to 34 years	38,678	31,925	82.5	28,793	74.4	3,131	9.8	6,753
35 to 44 years	38,401	31,965	83.2	29,410	76.6	2,555	8.0	6,436
45 to 54 years	40,694	33,139	81.4	30,798	75.7	2,341	7.1	7,555
55 to 64 years	29,192	18,986	65.0	17,749	60.8	1,237	6.5	10,205
65 years and over	29,397	4,902	16.7	4,594	15.6	308	6.3	24,494

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 2. Employment status of persons 18 years and over by veteran status, age, period of service, and sex, 2009 annual averages—Continued

(Numbers in thousands)

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		Total	Percent of population	Employed		Unemployed		
				Total	Percent of population	Total	Percent of labor force	
MEN								
VETERANS								
Total, 18 years and over	20,425	10,968	53.7	10,076	49.3	892	8.1	9,457
18 to 24 years	243	193	79.1	151	62.0	42	21.6	51
25 to 34 years	1,296	1,146	88.4	1,018	78.5	129	11.2	150
35 to 44 years	2,160	1,982	91.8	1,836	85.0	146	7.3	178
45 to 54 years	3,186	2,682	84.2	2,453	77.0	229	8.5	504
55 to 64 years	5,213	3,366	64.6	3,125	59.9	241	7.2	1,847
65 years and over	8,326	1,599	19.2	1,494	17.9	105	6.6	6,727
Gulf War era, total								
Total, 18 years and over	4,057	3,558	87.7	3,254	80.2	305	8.6	499
18 to 24 years	243	193	79.1	151	62.0	42	21.6	51
25 to 34 years	1,296	1,146	88.4	1,018	78.5	129	11.2	150
35 to 44 years	1,432	1,328	92.8	1,242	86.7	87	6.5	103
45 to 54 years	713	630	88.4	595	83.5	35	5.6	83
55 to 64 years	314	238	75.8	226	71.9	12	5.1	76
65 years and over	59	23	38.5	22	37.6	1	(¹)	36
Gulf War era I								
Total, 25 years and over	2,464	2,195	89.1	2,026	82.2	169	7.7	269
25 to 34 years	532	479	90.0	420	78.9	59	12.3	53
35 to 44 years	1,169	1,096	93.7	1,022	87.4	74	6.7	73
45 to 54 years	473	422	89.1	395	83.4	27	6.4	51
55 to 64 years	238	179	75.4	170	71.7	9	4.9	59
65 years and over	52	20	38.1	19	37.5	—	(¹)	32
Gulf War era II								
Total, 18 years and over	1,593	1,363	85.6	1,228	77.1	136	9.9	230
18 to 24 years	243	193	79.1	151	62.0	42	21.6	51
25 to 34 years	764	668	87.4	598	78.2	70	10.5	97
35 to 44 years	262	233	88.6	220	83.8	13	5.5	30
45 to 54 years	239	208	87.0	200	83.8	8	3.8	31
55 to 64 years	77	59	77.2	56	72.7	3	5.7	18
65 years and over	7	3	(¹)	3	(¹)	—	(¹)	4
WW II, Korean War, and Vietnam era								
Total, 45 years and over	11,008	4,223	38.4	3,903	35.5	320	7.6	6,785
45 to 54 years	386	292	75.7	256	66.4	36	12.3	94
55 to 64 years	4,543	2,886	63.5	2,669	58.7	217	7.5	1,658
65 years and over	6,079	1,046	17.2	979	16.1	67	6.4	5,034
Other service periods								
Total, 35 years and over	5,360	3,187	59.5	2,919	54.5	267	8.4	2,173
35 to 44 years	728	653	89.7	594	81.6	59	9.0	75
45 to 54 years	2,088	1,761	84.3	1,602	76.7	159	9.0	328
55 to 64 years	355	242	68.1	230	64.6	12	5.1	114
65 years and over	2,188	531	24.3	493	22.5	38	7.1	1,658
NONVETERANS								
Total, 18 years and over	89,163	70,052	78.6	62,807	70.4	7,245	10.3	19,111
18 to 24 years	14,136	9,770	69.1	7,901	55.9	1,869	19.1	4,366
25 to 34 years	18,870	17,064	90.4	15,206	80.6	1,859	10.9	1,806
35 to 44 years	18,039	16,536	91.7	15,082	83.6	1,455	8.8	1,503
45 to 54 years	18,547	16,320	88.0	14,990	80.8	1,331	8.2	2,227
55 to 64 years	11,487	8,366	72.8	7,766	67.6	601	7.2	3,121
65 years and over	8,084	1,994	24.7	1,863	23.0	131	6.6	6,089

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 2. Employment status of persons 18 years and over by veteran status, age, period of service, and sex, 2009 annual averages—Continued

(Numbers in thousands)

Veteran status, age, period of service, and sex	Civilian noninstitutional population	Civilian labor force						Not in labor force
		Total	Percent of population	Employed		Unemployed		
				Total	Percent of population	Total	Percent of labor force	
WOMEN								
VETERANS								
Total, 18 years and over	1,757	1,134	64.5	1,042	59.3	91	8.0	623
18 to 24 years	66	45	69.1	37	55.8	9	19.2	20
25 to 34 years	306	227	74.2	203	66.5	23	10.3	79
35 to 44 years	359	291	81.1	270	75.2	21	7.3	68
45 to 54 years	487	386	79.2	362	74.3	24	6.3	101
55 to 64 years	268	155	57.9	145	53.9	11	7.0	113
65 years and over	271	29	10.5	26	9.5	3	(¹)	242
Gulf War era, total								
Total, 18 years and over	797	618	77.5	563	70.6	55	9.0	179
18 to 24 years	66	45	69.1	37	55.8	9	19.2	20
25 to 34 years	306	227	74.2	203	66.5	23	10.3	79
35 to 44 years	250	207	82.8	192	77.1	14	6.9	43
45 to 54 years	143	121	84.2	116	80.7	5	4.2	23
55 to 64 years	29	18	(¹)	14	(¹)	3	(¹)	11
65 years and over	4	1	(¹)	—	(¹)	1	(¹)	3
Gulf War era I								
Total, 25 years and over	451	361	80.1	335	74.4	26	7.1	90
25 to 34 years	123	96	77.7	88	71.1	8	8.5	27
35 to 44 years	202	168	83.3	158	78.0	11	6.4	34
45 to 54 years	101	83	81.7	79	77.8	4	4.7	19
55 to 64 years	21	13	(¹)	11	(¹)	2	(¹)	8
65 years and over	3	1	(¹)	—	—	1	(¹)	2
Gulf War era II								
Total, 18 years and over	347	257	74.2	228	65.6	30	11.5	89
18 to 24 years	66	45	69.1	37	55.8	9	19.2	20
25 to 34 years	183	131	71.8	116	63.5	15	11.6	52
35 to 44 years	47	38	81.0	35	73.5	4	9.3	9
45 to 54 years	42	38	90.4	37	87.7	1	3.0	4
55 to 64 years	8	4	(¹)	3	(¹)	1	(¹)	4
65 years and over	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
WW II, Korean War, and Vietnam era								
Total, 45 years and over	382	133	34.8	126	32.9	7	5.4	249
45 to 54 years	28	17	(¹)	17	(¹)	—	(¹)	11
55 to 64 years	170	101	59.3	95	55.7	6	6.1	69
65 years and over	184	15	8.1	14	7.8	1	(¹)	169
Other service periods								
Total, 35 years and over	577	382	66.2	354	61.3	29	7.5	195
35 to 44 years	109	85	77.3	78	70.9	7	8.2	25
45 to 54 years	315	248	78.6	229	72.7	19	7.5	67
55 to 64 years	69	37	53.1	35	50.9	1	4.0	32
65 years and over	83	13	15.6	12	13.9	1	(¹)	70
NONVETERANS								
Total, 18 years and over	115,512	69,761	60.4	64,301	55.7	5,461	7.8	45,751
18 to 24 years	14,179	9,125	64.4	7,861	55.4	1,265	13.9	5,054
25 to 34 years	19,808	14,860	75.0	13,588	68.6	1,273	8.6	4,947
35 to 44 years	20,362	15,429	75.8	14,329	70.4	1,100	7.1	4,933
45 to 54 years	22,147	16,819	75.9	15,809	71.4	1,010	6.0	5,328
55 to 64 years	17,704	10,620	60.0	9,984	56.4	636	6.0	7,084
65 years and over	21,313	2,908	13.6	2,731	12.8	177	6.1	18,405

¹ Rates are not shown where base is less than 35,000.

NOTE: Veterans are men and women who served in the U.S. Armed Forces during World War II, the Korean War, the Vietnam era, the Gulf War era, and all other service periods. Nonveterans are men and women who never served in the U.S. Armed Forces. Other

service periods include the periods between World War II and the Korean War, between the Korean War and the Vietnam era, and between the Vietnam era and the Gulf War era. More detailed information appears in the Technical Note of this release. Dash represents or rounds to zero.

Table 3. Employed persons 18 years and over by occupation, sex, veteran status, and period of service, 2009 annual averages

(Percent distribution)

Occupation	Veterans	Gulf War era			WW II, Korean War, and Vietnam era	Other service periods	Non-veterans
		Total	Gulf War era I	Gulf War era II			
TOTAL							
Total, 18 years and over (thousands)	11,119	3,817	2,361	1,455	4,029	3,273	127,108
Percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Management, professional, and related occupations	37.6	36.5	37.8	34.5	40.2	35.5	37.7
Management, business, and financial operations occupations	18.4	15.8	16.6	14.5	21.7	17.3	15.3
Professional and related occupations	19.2	20.7	21.1	20.0	18.5	18.3	22.4
Service occupations	13.6	16.1	14.8	18.3	11.0	13.9	17.6
Sales and office occupations	17.5	16.9	16.6	17.4	18.6	16.8	24.6
Sales and related occupations	9.2	7.3	7.1	7.5	11.2	8.9	11.2
Office and administrative support occupations	8.3	9.6	9.4	9.9	7.4	7.8	13.4
Natural resources, construction, and maintenance occupations	14.6	15.4	15.5	15.2	13.4	15.3	9.1
Farming, fishing, and forestry occupations .....	.4	.2	.2	.2	.4	.4	.7
Construction and extraction occupations	7.0	6.7	7.3	5.8	7.0	7.5	5.2
Installation, maintenance, and repair occupations	7.2	8.5	8.0	9.2	6.0	7.3	3.3
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations	16.7	15.1	15.4	14.6	16.8	18.5	11.0
Production occupations	6.6	6.3	6.5	6.0	6.3	7.3	5.4
Transportation and material moving occupations	10.1	8.8	8.9	8.6	10.5	11.3	5.6
MEN							
Total, 18 years and over (thousands)	10,076	3,254	2,026	1,228	3,903	2,919	62,807
Percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Management, professional, and related occupations	36.3	34.3	35.4	32.5	39.8	33.7	34.5
Management, business, and financial operations occupations	18.4	15.6	16.3	14.6	21.9	16.8	16.6
Professional and related occupations	17.9	18.7	19.1	18.0	17.9	16.9	17.9
Service occupations	13.5	16.1	15.0	17.8	11.0	13.9	14.1
Sales and office occupations	16.5	15.1	15.0	15.3	18.2	15.7	16.9
Sales and related occupations	9.3	7.3	7.2	7.4	11.3	9.1	10.8
Office and administrative support occupations	7.1	7.8	7.8	7.9	6.9	6.6	6.1
Natural resources, construction, and maintenance occupations	16.0	17.8	17.8	17.7	13.8	16.8	17.6
Farming, fishing, and forestry occupations .....	.4	.2	.3	.2	.5	.4	1.0
Construction and extraction occupations	7.7	7.7	8.3	6.8	7.2	8.3	10.2
Installation, maintenance, and repair occupations	7.9	9.8	9.3	10.7	6.2	8.0	6.3
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations	17.8	16.7	16.9	16.6	17.2	19.9	16.9
Production occupations	7.0	7.0	7.2	6.7	6.4	7.8	7.6
Transportation and material moving occupations	10.8	9.7	9.6	9.8	10.7	12.1	9.3
WOMEN							
Total, 18 years and over (thousands)	1,042	563	335	228	126	354	64,301
Percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Management, professional, and related occupations	50.0	49.2	52.1	45.0	52.2	50.5	40.9
Management, business, and financial operations occupations	18.1	16.8	18.4	14.3	16.0	20.9	14.0
Professional and related occupations	31.9	32.5	33.7	30.7	36.2	29.6	26.8
Service occupations	14.9	16.6	13.6	21.0	9.4	14.2	21.0
Sales and office occupations	26.9	27.2	26.3	28.5	30.4	25.3	32.1
Sales and related occupations	7.6	7.3	6.9	7.9	9.5	7.4	11.5
Office and administrative support occupations	19.3	19.8	19.4	20.6	20.9	17.9	20.6
Natural resources, construction, and maintenance occupations	1.9	1.5	1.6	1.4	1.3	2.6	.9
Farming, fishing, and forestry occupations	-	-	-	-	-	.1	.3
Construction and extraction occupations .....	.8	.8	1.2	.4	.5	.9	.3
Installation, maintenance, and repair occupations	1.0	.7	.5	1.0	.8	1.6	.3
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations	6.3	5.4	6.4	4.1	6.7	7.5	5.2
Production occupations	2.5	2.1	2.1	2.1	3.4	2.9	3.3
Transportation and material moving occupations	3.8	3.4	4.3	2.0	3.3	4.6	1.9

NOTE: Veterans are men and women who served in the U.S. Armed Forces during World War II, the Korean War, the Vietnam era, the Gulf War era, and all other service periods. Nonveterans are men and women who never served in the U.S. Armed Forces. Other service periods

include the periods between World War II and the Korean War, between the Korean War and the Vietnam era, and between the Vietnam era and the Gulf War era. More detailed information appears in the Technical Note of this release. Dash represents or rounds to zero.

Table 4. Employed persons 18 years and over by industry, class of worker, sex, veteran status, and period of service, 2009 annual averages

(Percent distribution)

Industry and class of worker	Veterans	Gulf War era			WW II, Korean War, and Vietnam era	Other service periods	Non-veterans
		Total	Gulf War era I	Gulf War era II			
TOTAL							
Total, 18 years and over (in thousands)	11,119	3,817	2,361	1,455	4,029	3,273	127,108
Percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Agriculture and related industries	1.9	.7	.7	.8	3.1	1.7	1.4
Wage and salary workers .....	.7	.5	.4	.5	.8	.8	.9
Self-employed workers	1.2	.3	.3	.3	2.2	.9	.5
Nonagricultural industries	98.1	99.3	99.3	99.2	96.9	98.3	98.6
Wage and salary workers	90.9	95.8	95.2	96.7	86.0	91.0	92.1
Private industries	69.5	70.1	70.4	69.5	67.9	70.7	77.3
Mining, quarrying, and oil and gas extraction .....	.8	1.0	1.2	.7	.6	.7	.5
Construction	6.3	6.4	6.6	6.0	6.0	6.8	5.3
Manufacturing	13.1	12.0	12.7	10.9	12.8	14.6	9.7
Wholesale trade	3.1	2.7	2.8	2.5	3.4	3.1	2.6
Retail trade	8.2	7.9	7.6	8.3	8.9	7.8	10.7
Transportation and utilities	7.0	6.7	7.2	6.0	6.7	7.7	3.6
Information	2.2	2.6	2.7	2.5	1.6	2.5	2.1
Financial activities	4.5	4.5	4.9	3.8	4.5	4.6	6.4
Professional and business services	9.1	10.3	9.4	11.8	8.8	8.0	9.1
Education and health services	8.0	8.5	8.5	8.4	7.4	8.1	14.8
Leisure and hospitality	4.0	4.8	4.5	5.4	3.3	3.9	8.3
Other services	3.2	2.7	2.3	3.3	3.8	2.9	4.3
Government	21.4	25.7	24.8	27.2	18.2	20.4	14.8
Federal	8.5	11.9	10.2	14.7	5.9	7.6	2.1
State	4.4	4.7	5.1	4.1	4.3	4.2	4.6
Local	8.5	9.0	9.5	8.3	8.0	8.5	8.1
Self-employed workers	7.2	3.4	4.1	2.4	10.9	7.2	6.4
Unpaid family workers	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
MEN							
Total, 18 years and over (in thousands)	10,076	3,254	2,026	1,228	3,903	2,919	62,807
Percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Agriculture and related industries	2.0	.8	.7	.9	3.1	1.9	2.2
Wage and salary workers .....	.7	.5	.4	.5	.8	.9	1.4
Self-employed workers	1.3	.3	.3	.4	2.3	1.0	.8
Nonagricultural industries	98.0	99.2	99.3	99.1	96.9	98.1	97.8
Wage and salary workers	90.4	95.6	95.0	96.5	85.9	90.7	90.3
Private industries	70.0	70.9	71.1	70.7	68.0	71.8	79.1
Mining, quarrying, and oil and gas extraction .....	.8	1.1	1.3	.8	.6	.7	.8
Construction	6.9	7.3	7.5	6.8	6.1	7.5	9.6
Manufacturing	13.8	13.3	14.1	11.9	13.0	15.3	13.4
Wholesale trade	3.2	2.9	2.9	2.9	3.5	3.3	3.5
Retail trade	8.2	7.7	7.4	8.2	8.9	7.9	10.5
Transportation and utilities	7.5	7.5	7.9	6.9	6.8	8.4	5.6
Information	2.4	2.8	2.9	2.7	1.7	2.8	2.4
Financial activities	4.4	4.3	4.6	3.6	4.5	4.3	5.5
Professional and business services	9.2	10.5	9.7	11.9	9.0	8.2	10.1
Education and health services	6.5	6.1	6.1	6.0	6.8	6.6	6.2
Leisure and hospitality	3.9	4.7	4.3	5.3	3.3	3.9	7.8
Other services	3.2	2.8	2.3	3.6	3.8	2.8	3.9
Government	20.4	24.6	23.9	25.8	18.0	18.9	11.2
Federal	7.9	11.2	9.6	13.8	5.9	6.9	2.0
State	4.3	4.6	4.9	4.0	4.2	4.0	3.4
Local	8.3	8.9	9.3	8.1	7.9	8.1	5.8
Self-employed workers	7.6	3.6	4.3	2.6	11.0	7.4	7.5
Unpaid family workers	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 4. Employed persons 18 years and over by industry, class of worker, sex, veteran status, and period of service, 2009 annual averages—Continued

(Percent distribution)

Industry and class of worker	Veterans	Gulf War era			WW II, Korean War, and Vietnam era	Other service periods	Non-veterans
		Total	Gulf War era I	Gulf War era II			
WOMEN							
Total, 18 years and over (in thousands)	1,042	563	335	228	126	354	64,301
Percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Agriculture and related industries .....	.7	.4	.3	.6	2.4	.6	.7
Wage and salary workers .....	.3	.4	.3	.6	.8	—	.4
Self-employed workers .....	.4	—	—	—	1.6	.5	.3
Nonagricultural industries	99.3	99.6	99.7	99.4	97.6	99.4	99.3
Wage and salary workers	95.1	97.1	96.7	97.8	89.5	93.8	93.9
Private industries	63.9	65.3	66.6	63.3	64.9	61.5	75.5
Mining, quarrying, and oil and gas extraction .....	.5	.6	1.0	.1	—	.6	.1
Construction	1.2	1.3	1.0	1.7	.7	1.2	1.2
Manufacturing	6.4	4.7	4.2	5.5	8.5	8.3	6.0
Wholesale trade	1.6	1.4	2.1	.4	1.9	1.7	1.6
Retail trade	8.0	8.6	8.7	8.6	8.5	6.7	11.0
Transportation and utilities	2.4	2.2	2.8	1.3	5.2	1.9	1.7
Information	1.0	1.6	1.6	1.7	—	.5	1.8
Financial activities	5.8	5.6	6.4	4.4	3.6	6.9	7.4
Professional and business services	7.8	9.0	7.8	10.9	5.1	6.7	8.0
Education and health services	21.9	22.2	23.0	21.0	25.2	20.1	23.3
Leisure and hospitality	4.7	5.8	5.7	5.8	4.1	3.1	8.7
Other services	2.7	2.2	2.3	2.0	2.3	3.8	4.6
Government	31.2	31.9	30.1	34.6	24.6	32.3	18.4
Federal	14.4	16.3	13.9	19.9	6.6	14.1	2.3
State	6.0	5.7	6.0	5.2	7.2	6.1	5.7
Local	10.8	9.9	10.2	9.5	10.8	12.2	10.4
Self-employed workers	4.2	2.4	3.0	1.6	8.1	5.6	5.3
Unpaid family workers	—	—	—	—	—	—	.1

NOTE: Veterans are men and women who served in the U.S. Armed Forces during World War II, the Korean War, the Vietnam era, the Gulf War era, and all other service periods. Nonveterans are men and women who never served in the U.S. Armed Forces. Other service periods include the periods between World War II and the Korean War, between the Korean War and the Vietnam era, and between the Vietnam era and the Gulf War era. More detailed information appears in the Technical Note

of this release. Effective with January 2009 data, industries reflect the introduction of the 2007 Census industry classification system is derived from the 2007 North American Classification System. The self employed refer to the unincorporated self employed. The incorporated self employed are considered wage and salary workers. Dash represents or rounds to zero.

Table 5. Employment status of veterans 18 years and over by presence of service-connected disability, reported disability rating, period of service, and sex, August 2009, not seasonally adjusted

(Numbers in thousands)

Presence of disability, reported disability rating, period of service, and sex	Civilian noninsti- tutional population	Civilian labor force						Not in labor force
		Total	Percent of population	Employed		Unemployed		
				Total	Percent of population	Total	Percent of labor force	
TOTAL								
VETERANS								
Total	22,137	12,063	54.5	11,130	50.3	933	7.7	10,074
With service-connected disability	2,824	1,397	49.5	1,283	45.4	114	8.2	1,427
Less than 30 percent disability rating	1,163	682	58.6	638	54.8	45	6.5	481
30 to 50 percent disability rating	685	416	60.6	377	54.9	39	9.4	270
60 percent or higher disability rating	747	198	26.5	180	24.1	18	8.9	549
Disability rating not reported	228	101	44.4	88	38.7	13	13.0	127
Without service-connected disability	16,215	8,749	54.0	8,020	49.5	729	8.3	7,465
Presence of disability not reported	3,098	1,916	61.9	1,827	59.0	89	4.7	1,182
Gulf War era, total								
Total	4,974	4,327	87.0	3,948	79.4	379	8.8	647
With service-connected disability	972	767	78.9	687	70.7	80	10.4	205
Less than 30 percent disability rating	429	365	85.1	332	77.3	33	9.1	64
30 to 50 percent disability rating	299	255	85.4	226	75.7	29	11.4	44
60 percent or higher disability rating	187	115	61.4	105	55.8	10	9.1	72
Disability rating not reported	56	32	(¹)	25	(¹)	7	(¹)	25
Without service-connected disability	3,147	2,856	90.7	2,578	81.9	277	9.7	292
Presence of disability not reported	855	704	82.4	682	79.8	22	3.1	150
Gulf War era I								
Total	3,027	2,683	88.6	2,490	82.2	193	7.2	344
With service-connected disability	559	434	77.8	394	70.5	41	9.3	124
Less than 30 percent disability rating	285	237	83.2	219	77.0	18	7.4	48
30 to 50 percent disability rating	145	125	86.3	109	74.9	16	13.1	20
60 percent or higher disability rating	100	52	52.3	48	48.6	4	(¹)	48
Disability rating not reported	29	20	(¹)	18	(¹)	3	(¹)	9
Without service-connected disability	2,003	1,858	92.8	1,708	85.3	150	8.1	145
Presence of disability not reported	465	390	83.9	388	83.3	3	.6	75
Gulf War era II								
Total	1,947	1,644	84.5	1,459	74.9	185	11.3	302
With service-connected disability	413	333	80.5	293	71.0	39	11.8	80
Less than 30 percent disability rating	144	128	88.7	112	77.9	16	12.2	16
30 to 50 percent disability rating	154	131	84.6	118	76.3	13	9.8	24
60 percent or higher disability rating	88	63	71.7	56	64.1	7	(¹)	25
Disability rating not reported	27	11	(¹)	7	(¹)	4	(¹)	16
Without service-connected disability	1,144	997	87.2	871	76.1	127	12.7	147
Presence of disability not reported	389	314	80.7	295	75.7	19	6.2	75
WW II, Korean War, and Vietnam era								
Total	11,338	4,239	37.4	3,930	34.7	309	7.3	7,099
With service-connected disability	1,421	409	28.8	388	27.3	21	5.1	1,012
Less than 30 percent disability rating	544	209	38.5	201	37.0	8	3.8	335
30 to 50 percent disability rating	276	90	32.6	85	30.8	5	5.6	186
60 percent or higher disability rating	476	64	13.4	59	12.4	4	(¹)	412
Disability rating not reported	125	46	36.6	42	34.0	3	(¹)	79
Without service-connected disability	8,509	3,152	37.0	2,905	34.1	248	7.9	5,357
Presence of disability not reported	1,408	678	48.1	637	45.2	41	6.0	730
Other service periods								
Total	5,825	3,497	60.0	3,252	55.8	245	7.0	2,328
With service-connected disability	432	221	51.3	208	48.1	14	6.2	210
Less than 30 percent disability rating	191	108	56.7	105	54.9	3	3.1	83
30 to 50 percent disability rating	110	70	63.6	65	59.3	5	(¹)	40
60 percent or higher disability rating	84	19	23.1	17	19.8	3	(¹)	65
Disability rating not reported	47	24	(¹)	21	(¹)	3	(¹)	23
Without service-connected disability	4,558	2,741	60.1	2,537	55.7	204	7.5	1,817
Presence of disability not reported	835	534	63.9	508	60.8	26	5.0	301

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 5. Employment status of veterans 18 years and over by presence of service-connected disability, reported disability rating, period of service, and sex, August 2009, not seasonally adjusted—Continued

(Numbers in thousands)

Presence of disability, reported disability rating, period of service, and sex	Civilian noninsti- tutional population	Civilian labor force						Not in labor force
		Total	Percent of population	Employed		Unemployed		
				Total	Percent of population	Total	Percent of labor force	
MEN								
VETERANS								
Total	20,378	10,916	53.6	10,065	49.4	851	7.8	9,462
With service-connected disability	2,568	1,234	48.1	1,133	44.1	101	8.2	1,334
Less than 30 percent disability rating	1,075	621	57.8	583	54.2	38	6.2	454
30 to 50 percent disability rating	613	363	59.3	324	53.0	39	10.7	249
60 percent or higher disability rating	680	161	23.7	147	21.6	15	9.1	519
Disability rating not reported	200	88	44.1	79	39.5	9	10.2	112
Without service-connected disability	14,996	7,946	53.0	7,285	48.6	661	8.3	7,050
Presence of disability not reported	2,814	1,736	61.7	1,647	58.5	89	5.1	1,078
Gulf War era, total								
Total	4,127	3,651	88.5	3,332	80.7	319	8.7	476
With service-connected disability	806	639	79.3	572	71.0	67	10.5	167
Less than 30 percent disability rating	375	314	83.9	287	76.5	28	8.8	60
30 to 50 percent disability rating	254	224	88.1	194	76.6	29	13.0	30
60 percent or higher disability rating	149	82	55.3	75	50.3	7	9.0	67
Disability rating not reported	28	18	(¹)	15	(¹)	3	(¹)	10
Without service-connected disability	2,607	2,413	92.6	2,183	83.7	230	9.5	193
Presence of disability not reported	714	599	83.9	577	80.8	22	3.6	115
Gulf War era I								
Total	2,546	2,297	90.2	2,131	83.7	166	7.2	249
With service-connected disability	461	356	77.1	324	70.2	32	9.0	106
Less than 30 percent disability rating	248	203	81.8	191	77.0	12	5.9	45
30 to 50 percent disability rating	119	100	84.4	84	70.5	16	16.4	19
60 percent or higher disability rating	82	40	48.6	39	47.7	1	(¹)	42
Disability rating not reported	13	13	(¹)	10	(¹)	3	(¹)	—
Without service-connected disability	1,700	1,605	94.4	1,473	86.7	132	8.2	95
Presence of disability not reported	384	337	87.5	334	86.9	3	.7	48
Gulf War era II								
Total	1,581	1,354	85.7	1,201	76.0	153	11.3	227
With service-connected disability	344	283	82.2	248	72.0	35	12.4	61
Less than 30 percent disability rating	126	111	88.1	96	75.7	16	14.0	15
30 to 50 percent disability rating	135	124	91.3	111	81.9	13	10.3	12
60 percent or higher disability rating	68	43	(¹)	36	(¹)	7	(¹)	25
Disability rating not reported	15	5	(¹)	5	(¹)	—	—	10
Without service-connected disability	907	809	89.2	710	78.3	99	12.2	98
Presence of disability not reported	330	262	79.6	243	73.7	19	7.4	67
WW II, Korean War, and Vietnam era								
Total	10,952	4,115	37.6	3,817	34.9	298	7.2	6,837
With service-connected disability	1,383	399	28.8	378	27.3	21	5.2	985
Less than 30 percent disability rating	524	206	39.3	198	37.8	8	3.9	318
30 to 50 percent disability rating	264	83	31.4	78	29.5	5	6.1	181
60 percent or higher disability rating	470	64	13.6	59	12.6	4	(¹)	406
Disability rating not reported	125	46	36.6	42	34.0	3	(¹)	79
Without service-connected disability	8,222	3,056	37.2	2,820	34.3	236	7.7	5,167
Presence of disability not reported	1,346	661	49.1	620	46.1	41	6.2	685
Other service periods								
Total	5,300	3,150	59.4	2,916	55.0	235	7.4	2,149
With service-connected disability	379	197	52.0	184	48.5	13	6.7	182
Less than 30 percent disability rating	177	101	57.3	98	55.7	3	2.7	75
30 to 50 percent disability rating	94	57	60.3	52	55.3	5	(¹)	37
60 percent or higher disability rating	61	15	(¹)	12	(¹)	3	(¹)	46
Disability rating not reported	47	24	(¹)	21	(¹)	3	(¹)	23
Without service-connected disability	4,167	2,477	59.4	2,282	54.8	195	7.9	1,690
Presence of disability not reported	754	476	63.1	450	59.6	26	5.6	278

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 5. Employment status of veterans 18 years and over by presence of service-connected disability, reported disability rating, period of service, and sex, August 2009, not seasonally adjusted—Continued

(Numbers in thousands)

Presence of disability, reported disability rating, period of service, and sex	Civilian noninstitutional population	Civilian labor force						Not in labor force
		Total	Percent of population	Employed		Unemployed		
				Total	Percent of population	Total	Percent of labor force	
WOMEN								
VETERANS								
Total	1,759	1,147	65.2	1,065	60.5	82	7.1	612
With service-connected disability	256	163	63.6	149	58.3	13	8.2	93
Less than 30 percent disability rating	88	61	69.0	54	61.9	6	(¹)	27
30 to 50 percent disability rating	73	52	(¹)	52	(¹)	—	—	21
60 percent or higher disability rating	67	37	(¹)	34	(¹)	3	(¹)	30
Disability rating not reported	28	13	(¹)	9	(¹)	4	(¹)	15
Without service-connected disability	1,219	803	65.9	735	60.3	68	8.5	416
Presence of disability not reported	284	180	63.5	180	63.5	—	—	103
Gulf War era, total								
Total	847	676	79.8	616	72.7	60	8.9	171
With service-connected disability	166	128	77.3	115	69.6	13	10.0	38
Without service-connected disability	540	442	81.8	395	73.1	47	10.6	98
Presence of disability not reported	140	105	75.0	105	75.0	—	—	35
Gulf War era I								
Total	481	386	80.2	358	74.5	27	7.1	95
With service-connected disability	97	79	81.1	70	72.2	9	11.0	18
Without service-connected disability	303	253	83.6	235	77.4	19	7.4	50
Presence of disability not reported	81	54	66.4	54	66.4	—	—	27
Gulf War era II								
Total	366	290	79.3	257	70.4	33	11.2	76
With service-connected disability	69	50	(¹)	45	(¹)	4	(¹)	19
Without service-connected disability	237	189	79.6	161	67.7	28	15.0	48
Presence of disability not reported	60	52	(¹)	52	(¹)	—	—	8
WW II, Korean War, and Vietnam era								
Total	387	124	32.1	113	29.1	12	9.3	263
With service-connected disability	38	10	(¹)	10	(¹)	—	—	28
Without service-connected disability	287	97	33.7	85	29.7	12	11.9	190
Presence of disability not reported	62	17	(¹)	17	(¹)	—	—	45
Other service periods								
Total	525	347	66.0	337	64.1	10	2.9	179
With service-connected disability	53	24	(¹)	24	(¹)	1	(¹)	28
Without service-connected disability	391	264	67.5	255	65.1	10	3.6	127
Presence of disability not reported	81	58	71.3	58	71.3	—	—	23

¹ Rates not shown where the base is less than 75,000. Small estimated levels are based on a small number of survey responses and, thus, are subject to relatively large standard errors.

NOTE: Veterans are men and women who served in the U.S. Armed Forces during World War II, the Korean War, the Vietnam era, the Gulf War era, and all other service periods. Nonveterans are men and women who never served in the U.S. Armed Forces. Other service periods include the periods between

World War II and the Korean War, between the Korean War and the Vietnam era, and between the Vietnam era and the Gulf War era. A service-connected disability is a health condition or impairment caused or made worse by military service. The associated disability rating, which can range from 0 to 100 percent, is determined from a rating schedule published in the U.S. Code of Federal Regulations, "Title 38." More detailed information appears in the Technical Note of this release. Dash represents or rounds to zero.

Table 6. Employed persons 18 years and over by veteran status, presence of service-connected disability, period of service, and class of worker, August 2009, not seasonally adjusted

Veteran status, presence of disability, and period of service	Total employed (thousands)	Percent distribution by class of worker									
		Total	Agriculture and related industries	Nonagricultural industries						Self-employed and unpaid family workers	
				Total	Wage and salary workers			Total	Federal		State and local
					Private sector	Government					
Veterans, total ¹	11,130	100.0	1.9	98.1	68.5	22.3	9.0	13.3	7.3		
With service-connected disability	1,283	100.0	.8	99.2	61.1	32.3	19.9	12.4	5.8		
Without service-connected disability	8,020	100.0	2.3	97.7	68.9	21.4	7.6	13.8	7.5		
Gulf War era, total ¹	3,948	100.0	.9	99.1	68.4	27.2	12.5	14.7	3.6		
With service-connected disability	687	100.0	.4	99.6	60.9	34.6	23.2	11.4	4.1		
Without service-connected disability	2,578	100.0	.9	99.1	70.1	25.7	10.1	15.6	3.3		
Gulf War era I ¹	2,490	100.0	1.1	98.9	67.7	26.4	12.4	14.0	4.8		
With service-connected disability	394	100.0	.1	99.9	58.0	36.7	28.1	8.7	5.2		
Without service-connected disability	1,708	100.0	1.1	98.9	69.5	24.9	9.2	15.7	4.5		
Gulf War era II ¹	1,459	100.0	.5	99.5	69.5	28.4	12.6	15.8	1.5		
With service-connected disability	293	100.0	.8	99.2	64.7	31.8	16.7	15.1	2.7		
Without service-connected disability	871	100.0	.6	99.4	71.4	27.2	11.8	15.3	.9		
WW II, Korean War, and Vietnam era ¹	3,930	100.0	2.7	97.3	68.8	17.6	6.1	11.5	10.9		
With service-connected disability	388	100.0	1.4	98.6	63.5	25.5	11.2	14.4	9.6		
Without service-connected disability	2,905	100.0	3.3	96.7	68.5	17.2	5.6	11.6	10.9		
Other service periods ¹	3,252	100.0	2.2	97.8	68.4	22.0	8.3	13.7	7.4		
With service-connected disability	208	100.0	1.1	98.9	57.4	37.5	25.4	12.1	4.0		
Without service-connected disability	2,537	100.0	2.4	97.6	68.0	21.8	7.2	14.5	7.8		
Nonveterans	126,995	100.0	1.5	98.5	77.5	14.3	2.1	12.2	6.6		

¹ Includes veterans who did not report presence of disability.

NOTE: Veterans are men and women who served in the U.S. Armed Forces during World War II, the Korean War, the Vietnam era, the Gulf War era, and all other service periods. Nonveterans are men and women who never served in the U.S. Armed Forces. Other service periods include the periods between World War II and the Korean War, between the Korean War

and the Vietnam era, and between the Vietnam era and the Gulf War era. A service-connected disability is a health condition or impairment caused or made worse by military service. The associated disability rating, which can range from 0 to 100 percent, is determined from a rating schedule published in the U.S. Code of Federal Regulations, "Title 38." More detailed information appears in the Technical Note of this release.

Table 7. Employment status of Gulf War era veterans by Reserve or National Guard status, August 2009, not seasonally adjusted

(Numbers in thousands)

Period of service and Reserve or National Guard status	Civilian noninstitutional population	Civilian labor force						Not in labor force
		Total	Percent of population	Employed		Unemployed		
				Total	Percent of population	Total	Percent of labor force	
VETERANS								
Gulf War era, total								
Total	4,974	4,327	87.0	3,948	79.4	379	8.8	647
Current or past member of Reserve or National Guard	1,628	1,428	87.7	1,304	80.1	124	8.7	199
Never a member of Reserve or National Guard	2,487	2,198	88.4	1,966	79.1	232	10.5	289
Reserve or National Guard membership not reported	859	701	81.6	678	78.9	23	3.3	158
Gulf War era I								
Total	3,027	2,683	88.6	2,490	82.2	193	7.2	344
Current or past member of Reserve or National Guard	960	852	88.7	789	82.2	63	7.4	108
Never a member of Reserve or National Guard	1,588	1,435	90.3	1,308	82.4	127	8.8	153
Reserve or National Guard membership not reported	478	396	82.7	392	82.0	3	.9	83
Gulf War era II								
Total	1,947	1,644	84.5	1,459	74.9	185	11.3	302
Current or past member of Reserve or National Guard	667	576	86.3	515	77.2	61	10.6	91
Never a member of Reserve or National Guard	898	763	84.9	658	73.2	105	13.8	136
Reserve or National Guard membership not reported	381	305	80.2	286	75.1	19	6.3	75

NOTE: Veterans are men and women who served in the U.S. Armed Forces during World War II, the Korean War, the Vietnam era, the Gulf War era, and all other service periods. The Gulf War era began in August 1990 and continues to the present day. More detailed information appears in the Technical Note of this release.