

7. Employment status of the civilian noninstitutional population 25 years and over by educational attainment, sex, race, and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity

(Numbers in thousands)

| Sex, race, and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity | Less than a high school diploma | | High school graduates, no college | | Some college or associate degree | | | | | | Bachelor's degree and higher ¹ | |
|---|---------------------------------|--------|-----------------------------------|--------|----------------------------------|--------|-------------------------|--------|------------------|--------|---|--------|
| | 2002 | 2003 | 2002 | 2003 | Total | | Some college, no degree | | Associate degree | | 2002 | 2003 |
| | | | | | 2002 | 2003 | 2002 | 2003 | 2002 | 2003 | | |
| TOTAL | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Civilian noninstitutional population ... | 28,382 | 28,155 | 58,861 | 59,480 | 45,968 | 46,741 | 30,890 | 31,370 | 15,078 | 15,371 | 49,017 | 50,894 |
| Civilian labor force | 12,599 | 12,646 | 37,764 | 37,926 | 33,616 | 34,049 | 21,990 | 22,260 | 11,626 | 11,788 | 38,518 | 39,791 |
| Percent of population | 44.4 | 44.9 | 64.2 | 63.8 | 73.1 | 72.8 | 71.2 | 71.0 | 77.1 | 76.7 | 78.6 | 78.2 |
| Employed | 11,535 | 11,537 | 35,779 | 35,857 | 32,094 | 32,420 | 20,928 | 21,107 | 11,166 | 11,313 | 37,395 | 38,570 |
| Employment-population ratio | 40.6 | 41.0 | 60.8 | 60.3 | 69.8 | 69.4 | 67.7 | 67.3 | 74.1 | 73.6 | 76.3 | 75.8 |
| Unemployed | 1,064 | 1,109 | 1,985 | 2,069 | 1,523 | 1,629 | 1,062 | 1,153 | 460 | 476 | 1,123 | 1,221 |
| Unemployment rate | 8.4 | 8.8 | 5.3 | 5.5 | 4.5 | 4.8 | 4.8 | 5.2 | 4.0 | 4.0 | 2.9 | 3.1 |
| Men | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Civilian noninstitutional population ... | 13,700 | 13,745 | 27,156 | 27,525 | 20,963 | 21,314 | 14,493 | 14,732 | 6,470 | 6,582 | 24,994 | 25,811 |
| Civilian labor force | 7,833 | 7,937 | 20,241 | 20,361 | 16,802 | 16,952 | 11,346 | 11,479 | 5,456 | 5,474 | 20,985 | 21,466 |
| Percent of population | 57.2 | 57.7 | 74.5 | 74.0 | 80.2 | 79.5 | 78.3 | 77.9 | 84.3 | 83.2 | 84.0 | 83.2 |
| Employed | 7,220 | 7,290 | 19,154 | 19,200 | 16,032 | 16,089 | 10,811 | 10,858 | 5,221 | 5,231 | 20,350 | 20,770 |
| Employment-population ratio | 52.7 | 53.0 | 70.5 | 69.8 | 76.5 | 75.5 | 74.6 | 73.7 | 80.7 | 79.5 | 81.4 | 80.5 |
| Unemployed | 613 | 648 | 1,087 | 1,161 | 770 | 863 | 536 | 621 | 235 | 242 | 635 | 696 |
| Unemployment rate | 7.8 | 8.2 | 5.4 | 5.7 | 4.6 | 5.1 | 4.7 | 5.4 | 4.3 | 4.4 | 3.0 | 3.2 |
| Women | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Civilian noninstitutional population ... | 14,682 | 14,410 | 31,704 | 31,955 | 25,005 | 25,427 | 16,397 | 16,638 | 8,608 | 8,789 | 24,024 | 25,084 |
| Civilian labor force | 4,766 | 4,709 | 17,523 | 17,566 | 16,814 | 17,096 | 10,644 | 10,782 | 6,171 | 6,315 | 17,533 | 18,324 |
| Percent of population | 32.5 | 32.7 | 55.3 | 55.0 | 67.2 | 67.2 | 64.9 | 64.8 | 71.7 | 71.8 | 73.0 | 73.1 |
| Employed | 4,315 | 4,248 | 16,624 | 16,657 | 16,062 | 16,331 | 10,117 | 10,249 | 5,945 | 6,081 | 17,045 | 17,800 |
| Employment-population ratio | 29.4 | 29.5 | 52.4 | 52.1 | 64.2 | 64.2 | 61.7 | 61.6 | 69.1 | 69.2 | 71.0 | 71.0 |
| Unemployed | 451 | 461 | 898 | 908 | 752 | 766 | 527 | 532 | 226 | 234 | 488 | 525 |
| Unemployment rate | 9.5 | 9.8 | 5.1 | 5.2 | 4.5 | 4.5 | 4.9 | 4.9 | 3.7 | 3.7 | 2.8 | 2.9 |
| White ² | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Civilian noninstitutional population ... | 22,610 | 22,407 | 49,360 | 49,464 | 38,349 | 38,623 | 25,648 | 25,759 | 12,701 | 12,863 | 41,508 | 42,735 |
| Civilian labor force | 10,162 | 10,236 | 31,290 | 31,135 | 27,786 | 27,869 | 17,995 | 18,037 | 9,790 | 9,832 | 32,473 | 33,268 |
| Percent of population | 44.9 | 45.7 | 63.4 | 62.9 | 72.5 | 72.2 | 70.2 | 70.0 | 77.1 | 76.4 | 78.2 | 77.8 |
| Employed | 9,394 | 9,437 | 29,836 | 29,645 | 26,650 | 26,703 | 17,209 | 17,227 | 9,440 | 9,476 | 31,597 | 32,335 |
| Employment-population ratio | 41.5 | 42.1 | 60.4 | 59.9 | 69.5 | 69.1 | 67.1 | 66.9 | 74.3 | 73.7 | 76.1 | 75.7 |
| Unemployed | 769 | 800 | 1,454 | 1,490 | 1,136 | 1,166 | 786 | 809 | 350 | 357 | 876 | 933 |
| Unemployment rate | 7.6 | 7.8 | 4.6 | 4.8 | 4.1 | 4.2 | 4.4 | 4.5 | 3.6 | 3.6 | 2.7 | 2.8 |
| Black or African American ² | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Civilian noninstitutional population ... | 4,238 | 4,015 | 7,141 | 7,230 | 5,582 | 5,612 | 3,954 | 3,986 | 1,628 | 1,626 | 3,421 | 3,675 |
| Civilian labor force | 1,728 | 1,597 | 4,883 | 4,924 | 4,342 | 4,319 | 3,055 | 3,041 | 1,288 | 1,278 | 2,833 | 3,023 |
| Percent of population | 40.8 | 39.8 | 68.4 | 68.1 | 77.8 | 77.0 | 77.2 | 76.3 | 79.1 | 78.6 | 82.8 | 82.3 |
| Employed | 1,498 | 1,376 | 4,453 | 4,465 | 4,053 | 3,979 | 2,843 | 2,780 | 1,210 | 1,199 | 2,715 | 2,887 |
| Employment-population ratio | 35.3 | 34.3 | 62.4 | 61.8 | 72.6 | 70.9 | 71.9 | 69.7 | 74.4 | 73.7 | 79.4 | 78.6 |
| Unemployed | 231 | 222 | 430 | 459 | 289 | 340 | 212 | 261 | 77 | 79 | 118 | 137 |
| Unemployment rate | 13.3 | 13.9 | 8.8 | 9.3 | 6.7 | 7.9 | 6.9 | 8.6 | 6.0 | 6.2 | 4.2 | 4.5 |
| Asian ² | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Civilian noninstitutional population ... | 1,035 | 1,020 | 1,718 | 1,622 | 1,504 | 1,307 | 922 | 794 | 583 | 513 | 3,839 | 3,816 |
| Civilian labor force | 474 | 472 | 1,138 | 1,054 | 1,108 | 940 | 686 | 562 | 422 | 378 | 3,006 | 2,954 |
| Percent of population | 45.8 | 46.3 | 66.2 | 65.0 | 73.7 | 71.9 | 74.4 | 70.8 | 72.5 | 73.6 | 78.3 | 77.4 |
| Employed | 434 | 427 | 1,078 | 995 | 1,041 | 884 | 642 | 526 | 398 | 358 | 2,889 | 2,825 |
| Employment-population ratio | 41.9 | 41.9 | 62.7 | 61.4 | 69.2 | 67.7 | 69.7 | 66.3 | 68.4 | 69.8 | 75.3 | 74.0 |
| Unemployed | 40 | 45 | 60 | 59 | 67 | 55 | 43 | 36 | 24 | 19 | 117 | 129 |
| Unemployment rate | 8.4 | 9.5 | 5.3 | 5.6 | 6.1 | 5.9 | 6.3 | 6.4 | 5.7 | 5.2 | 3.9 | 4.4 |
| Hispanic or Latino ethnicity | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Civilian noninstitutional population ... | 8,386 | 8,969 | 5,622 | 5,994 | 3,569 | 3,915 | 2,498 | 2,725 | 1,072 | 1,190 | 2,371 | 2,597 |
| Civilian labor force | 5,141 | 5,524 | 4,167 | 4,430 | 2,880 | 3,101 | 2,014 | 2,162 | 866 | 939 | 1,973 | 2,126 |
| Percent of population | 61.3 | 61.6 | 74.1 | 73.9 | 80.7 | 79.2 | 80.6 | 79.4 | 80.8 | 78.9 | 83.2 | 81.8 |
| Employed | 4,744 | 5,073 | 3,921 | 4,169 | 2,723 | 2,925 | 1,900 | 2,037 | 823 | 889 | 1,906 | 2,039 |
| Employment-population ratio | 56.6 | 56.6 | 69.7 | 69.5 | 76.3 | 74.7 | 76.1 | 74.7 | 76.8 | 74.7 | 80.4 | 78.5 |
| Unemployed | 397 | 451 | 247 | 261 | 157 | 176 | 114 | 126 | 43 | 50 | 67 | 87 |
| Unemployment rate | 7.7 | 8.2 | 5.9 | 5.9 | 5.4 | 5.7 | 5.7 | 5.8 | 4.9 | 5.3 | 3.4 | 4.1 |

¹ Includes persons with bachelor's, master's, professional, and doctoral degree.

² Beginning in 2003, persons who selected this race group only; persons who selected more than one race group are not included. Prior to 2003, persons who reported more than one race group were included in the group they identified as the main race. For more information, see the "Explanatory Notes and Estimates of Error" section of this publication.

NOTE: 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. In addition, persons whose ethnicity is identified as Hispanic or Latino may be of any race and, therefore, are classified by ethnicity as well as by race. Beginning in January 2003, data reflect revised population controls used in the household survey.