

**Table 27. Working poor: Poverty status of people in the labor force for 27 weeks or more by age, sex, race, and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity, 2008**

(Numbers in thousands)

Age and sex	Total					Below poverty level				
	Total	White	Black or African American	Asian	Hispanic or Latino ethnicity	Total	White	Black or African American	Asian	Hispanic or Latino ethnicity
Total, 16 years and older.....	147,838	120,660	16,817	6,772	21,005	8,883	6,321	1,844	349	2,604
16 to 19 years.....	4,079	3,357	494	73	654	518	365	110	16	117
20 to 24 years.....	13,311	10,688	1,680	453	2,415	1,525	1,094	303	38	368
25 to 34 years.....	32,349	25,626	4,121	1,627	6,172	2,555	1,753	614	72	858
35 to 44 years.....	33,689	26,892	4,120	1,852	5,539	1,953	1,389	398	99	716
45 to 54 years.....	35,633	29,385	3,906	1,654	3,941	1,462	1,053	291	75	366
55 to 64 years.....	22,349	19,088	2,000	891	1,849	738	558	111	45	156
65 years and older.....	6,428	5,624	495	221	434	132	109	16	3	22
Women, 16 years and older.....	68,558	54,752	9,000	3,151	8,412	4,464	2,990	1,146	154	1,020
16 to 19 years.....	2,013	1,655	260	27	301	286	201	64	7	59
20 to 24 years.....	6,269	4,968	868	216	996	831	584	185	23	147
25 to 34 years.....	14,495	11,104	2,186	768	2,225	1,326	813	422	33	319
35 to 44 years.....	15,286	11,877	2,198	831	2,176	899	583	246	36	258
45 to 54 years.....	17,015	13,763	2,129	801	1,731	712	496	163	35	170
55 to 64 years.....	10,644	8,942	1,099	424	797	340	256	54	20	61
65 years and older.....	2,836	2,441	261	84	186	70	59	11	–	6
Men, 16 years and older.....	79,280	65,908	7,817	3,621	12,593	4,418	3,331	698	195	1,585
16 to 19 years.....	2,066	1,701	235	46	353	232	164	46	9	59
20 to 24 years.....	7,042	5,720	813	238	1,419	694	510	118	15	221
25 to 34 years.....	17,854	14,522	1,935	859	3,947	1,229	941	192	39	539
35 to 44 years.....	18,403	15,014	1,922	1,021	3,363	1,053	807	152	63	458
45 to 54 years.....	18,618	15,622	1,777	853	2,210	750	557	128	40	196
55 to 64 years.....	11,705	10,147	901	467	1,053	398	302	57	25	95
65 years and older.....	3,593	3,182	234	137	248	61	50	5	3	16

**Table 27. Working poor: Poverty status of people in the labor force for 27 weeks or more by age, sex, race, and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity, 2008—Continued**

Age and sex	Rate <sup>1</sup>				
	Total	White	Black or African American	Asian	Hispanic or Latino ethnicity
Total, 16 years and older.....	6.0	5.2	11.0	5.1	12.4
16 to 19 years.....	12.7	10.9	22.3	21.4	17.9
20 to 24 years.....	11.5	10.2	18.1	8.4	15.2
25 to 34 years.....	7.9	6.8	14.9	4.4	13.9
35 to 44 years.....	5.8	5.2	9.7	5.4	12.9
45 to 54 years.....	4.1	3.6	7.5	4.5	9.3
55 to 64 years.....	3.3	2.9	5.5	5.1	8.5
65 years and older.....	2.0	1.9	3.2	1.3	5.1
Women, 16 years and older.....	6.5	5.5	12.7	4.9	12.1
16 to 19 years.....	14.2	12.1	24.8	( <sup>2</sup> )	19.4
20 to 24 years.....	13.3	11.7	21.4	10.8	14.7
25 to 34 years.....	9.1	7.3	19.3	4.3	14.3
35 to 44 years.....	5.9	4.9	11.2	4.3	11.9
45 to 54 years.....	4.2	3.6	7.7	4.3	9.8
55 to 64 years.....	3.2	2.9	4.9	4.8	7.7
65 years and older.....	2.5	2.4	4.3	.2	3.2
Men, 16 years and older.....	5.6	5.1	8.9	5.4	12.6
16 to 19 years.....	11.2	9.6	19.7	( <sup>2</sup> )	16.7
20 to 24 years.....	9.8	8.9	14.5	6.3	15.6
25 to 34 years.....	6.9	6.5	9.9	4.6	13.7
35 to 44 years.....	5.7	5.4	7.9	6.2	13.6
45 to 54 years.....	4.0	3.6	7.2	4.7	8.9
55 to 64 years.....	3.4	3.0	6.3	5.4	9.0
65 years and older.....	1.7	1.6	1.9	2.0	6.5

<sup>1</sup> Number below the poverty level as a percent of the total in the labor force for 27 weeks or more.

<sup>2</sup> Data not shown where labor force base is less than 80,000.

NOTE: These data, collected in the Annual Social and Economic Supplement, reflect the earnings and work experience of the entire year. 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. People whose ethnicity is identified as Hispanic or Latino may be of any race.

SOURCE: 2009 Annual Social and Economic Supplement, Current Population Survey, U.S. Department of Labor, U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.