

TABLE B-33.—*Civilian population and labor force, 1929-99*

(Monthly data seasonally adjusted, except as noted)

Year or month	Civilian noninstitutional population ¹	Civilian labor force					Not in labor force	Civilian labor force participation rate ²	Civilian employment/population ratio ³	Unemployment rate, civilian workers ⁴		
		Total	Employment		Unemployment							
			Total	Agricultural		Non-agricultural						
Thousands of persons 14 years of age and over											Percent	
1929		49,180	47,630	10,450	37,180	1,550				3.2		
1933		51,590	38,760	10,090	28,670	12,830				24.9		
1939		55,230	45,750	9,610	36,140	9,480				17.2		
1940	99,840	55,640	47,520	9,540	37,980	8,120	44,200	55.7	47.6	14.6		
1941	99,900	55,910	50,350	9,100	41,250	5,560	43,990	56.0	50.4	9.9		
1942	98,640	56,410	53,750	9,250	44,500	2,660	42,230	57.2	54.5	4.7		
1943	94,640	55,540	54,470	9,080	45,390	1,070	39,100	58.7	57.6	1.9		
1944	93,220	54,630	53,960	8,950	45,010	670	38,590	58.6	57.9	1.2		
1945	94,090	53,860	52,820	8,580	44,240	1,040	40,230	57.2	56.1	1.9		
1946	103,070	57,520	55,250	8,320	46,930	2,270	45,550	55.8	53.6	3.9		
1947	106,018	60,168	57,812	8,256	49,557	2,356	45,850	56.8	54.5	3.9		
Thousands of persons 16 years of age and over												
1947	101,827	59,350	57,038	7,890	49,148	2,311	42,477	58.3	56.0	3.9		
1948	103,068	60,621	58,343	7,629	50,714	2,276	42,447	58.8	56.6	3.8		
1949	103,994	61,286	57,651	7,658	49,993	3,637	42,708	58.9	55.4	5.9		
1950	104,995	62,208	58,918	7,160	51,758	3,288	42,787	59.2	56.1	5.3		
1951	104,621	62,017	59,961	6,726	53,235	2,055	42,604	59.2	57.3	3.3		
1952	105,231	62,138	60,250	6,500	53,749	1,883	43,093	59.0	57.3	3.0		
1953 ^s	107,056	63,015	61,179	6,260	54,919	1,834	44,041	58.9	57.1	2.9		
1954	108,321	63,643	60,109	6,205	53,904	3,532	44,678	58.8	55.5	5.5		
1955	109,683	65,023	62,170	6,450	55,722	2,852	44,660	59.3	56.7	4.4		
1956	110,954	66,552	63,799	6,283	57,514	2,750	44,402	60.0	57.5	4.1		
1957	112,265	66,929	64,071	5,947	58,123	2,859	45,336	59.6	57.1	4.3		
1958	113,727	67,639	63,036	5,586	57,450	4,602	46,088	59.5	55.4	6.8		
1959	115,329	68,369	64,630	5,565	59,065	3,740	46,960	59.3	56.0	5.5		
1960 ^s	117,245	69,628	65,778	5,458	60,318	3,852	47,617	59.4	56.1	5.5		
1961	118,771	70,459	65,746	5,200	60,546	4,714	48,312	59.3	55.4	6.7		
1962 ^s	120,153	70,614	66,702	4,944	61,759	3,911	49,539	58.8	55.5	5.5		
1963	122,416	71,833	67,762	4,687	63,076	4,070	50,583	58.7	55.4	5.7		
1964	124,485	73,091	69,305	4,523	64,782	3,786	51,394	58.7	55.7	5.2		
1965	126,513	74,455	71,088	4,361	66,726	3,366	52,058	58.9	56.2	4.5		
1966	128,058	75,770	72,895	3,979	68,915	2,875	52,288	59.2	56.9	3.8		
1967	129,874	77,347	74,372	3,844	70,527	2,975	52,527	59.6	57.3	3.8		
1968	132,028	78,737	75,920	3,817	72,103	2,817	53,291	59.6	57.5	3.6		
1969	134,335	80,734	77,902	3,606	74,296	2,832	53,602	60.1	58.0	3.5		
1970	137,085	82,771	78,678	3,463	75,215	4,093	54,315	60.4	57.4	4.9		
1971	140,216	84,382	79,367	3,394	75,972	5,016	55,834	60.2	56.6	5.9		
1972 ^s	144,126	87,034	82,153	3,484	78,669	4,882	57,091	60.4	57.0	5.6		
1973 ^s	147,096	89,429	85,064	3,470	81,594	4,365	57,667	60.8	57.8	4.9		
1974	150,120	91,949	86,794	3,515	83,279	5,156	58,171	61.3	57.8	5.6		
1975	153,153	93,775	88,846	3,408	85,428	7,929	59,377	61.2	56.1	8.5		
1976	156,150	96,158	88,752	3,331	85,421	7,406	59,991	61.6	56.8	7.7		
1977	159,033	99,009	92,017	3,283	88,734	6,991	60,025	62.3	57.9	7.1		
1978 ^s	161,910	102,251	96,048	3,387	92,661	6,202	59,659	63.2	59.3	6.1		
1979	164,863	104,962	98,824	3,347	95,477	6,137	59,900	63.7	59.9	5.8		
1980	167,745	106,940	99,303	3,364	95,938	7,637	60,806	63.8	59.2	7.1		
1981	170,130	108,670	100,397	3,368	97,030	8,273	61,460	63.9	59.0	7.6		
1982	172,271	110,204	99,526	3,401	96,125	10,678	62,067	64.0	57.8	9.7		
1983	174,215	111,550	100,834	3,383	97,450	10,717	62,665	64.0	57.9	9.6		
1984	176,383	113,544	105,005	3,321	101,685	8,539	62,839	64.4	59.5	7.5		
1985	178,206	115,461	107,150	3,179	103,971	8,312	62,744	64.8	60.1	7.2		
1986 ^s	180,587	117,834	109,597	3,163	106,434	8,237	62,752	65.3	60.7	7.0		
1987	182,753	119,865	112,440	3,208	109,232	7,425	62,888	65.6	61.5	6.2		
1988	184,613	121,669	114,968	3,169	111,800	6,701	62,944	65.9	62.3	5.5		
1989	186,393	123,869	117,342	3,199	114,142	6,528	62,523	66.5	63.0	5.3		
1990 ^s	189,164	125,840	118,793	3,223	115,570	7,047	63,324	66.5	62.8	5.6		
1991	190,925	126,346	117,718	3,269	114,449	8,628	64,578	66.2	61.7	6.8		
1992	192,805	128,105	118,492	3,247	115,245	9,613	64,700	66.4	61.5	7.5		
1993	194,838	129,200	120,259	3,115	117,144	8,940	65,638	66.3	61.7	6.9		
1994 ^s	196,814	131,056	123,060	3,409	119,651	7,996	65,758	66.6	62.5	6.1		
1995	198,584	132,304	124,900	3,440	121,460	7,404	66,280	66.6	62.9	5.6		
1996	200,591	133,943	126,708	3,443	123,264	7,236	66,647	66.8	63.2	5.4		
1997 ^s	203,133	136,297	129,558	3,399	126,159	6,739	66,837	67.1	63.8	4.9		
1998 ^s	205,220	137,673	131,463	3,378	128,085	6,210	67,547	67.1	64.1	4.5		
1999 ^s	207,753	139,368	133,488	3,281	130,207	5,880	68,385	67.1	64.3	4.2		

¹ Not seasonally adjusted.² Civilian labor force as percent of civilian noninstitutional population.³ Civilian employment as percent of civilian noninstitutional population.⁴ Unemployed as percent of civilian labor force.

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TABLE B-33.—*Civilian population and labor force, 1929-99—Continued*
(Monthly data seasonally adjusted, except as noted)

Year or month	Civilian noninstitutional population ¹	Civilian labor force					Not in labor force	Civilian labor force participation rate ²	Civilian employment/population ratio ³	Unemployment rate, civilian workers ⁴
		Total	Employment		Unemployment					
			Total	Agricultural		Non-agricultural				
Thousands of persons 16 years of age and over								Percent		
1996: Jan	199,634	132,668	125,152	3,486	121,666	7,516	66,966	66.5	62.7	5.7
Feb	199,773	133,002	125,672	3,555	122,117	7,330	66,771	66.6	62.9	5.5
Mar	199,921	133,198	125,875	3,490	122,385	7,323	66,723	66.6	63.0	5.5
Apr	200,101	133,403	126,002	3,396	122,606	7,401	66,698	66.7	63.0	5.5
May	200,278	133,674	126,229	3,476	122,753	7,445	66,604	66.7	63.0	5.6
June	200,459	133,690	126,598	3,418	123,180	7,092	66,769	66.7	63.2	5.3
July	200,641	134,265	126,942	3,434	123,508	7,323	66,376	66.9	63.3	5.5
Aug	200,847	134,043	127,172	3,402	123,770	6,871	66,804	66.7	63.3	5.1
Sept	201,061	134,486	127,513	3,448	124,065	6,973	66,575	66.9	63.4	5.2
Oct	201,273	134,881	127,863	3,465	124,398	7,018	66,392	67.0	63.5	5.2
Nov	201,463	134,953	127,732	3,353	124,379	7,221	66,510	67.0	63.4	5.4
Dec	201,636	135,071	127,831	3,431	124,400	7,240	66,565	67.0	63.4	5.4
1997: Jan ⁵	202,285	135,576	128,387	3,459	124,928	7,189	66,709	67.0	63.5	5.3
Feb	202,389	135,496	128,350	3,358	124,992	7,146	66,893	66.9	63.4	5.3
Mar	202,513	135,958	128,922	3,422	125,500	7,036	66,555	67.1	63.7	5.2
Apr	202,674	136,043	129,191	3,468	125,723	6,852	66,631	67.1	63.7	5.0
May	202,832	136,061	129,383	3,434	125,949	6,678	66,771	67.1	63.8	4.9
June	203,000	136,218	129,417	3,398	126,019	6,801	66,782	67.1	63.8	5.0
July	203,166	136,421	129,812	3,421	126,391	6,609	66,745	67.1	63.9	4.8
Aug	203,364	136,590	129,987	3,359	126,628	6,603	66,774	67.2	63.9	4.8
Sept	203,570	136,612	129,982	3,400	126,582	6,630	66,958	67.1	63.9	4.9
Oct	203,767	136,547	130,121	3,309	126,812	6,426	67,220	67.0	63.9	4.7
Nov	203,941	136,860	130,577	3,375	127,202	6,283	67,081	67.1	64.0	4.6
Dec	204,098	137,097	130,646	3,395	127,251	6,451	67,001	67.2	64.0	4.7
1998: Jan ⁵	204,238	137,225	130,819	3,334	127,485	6,406	67,013	67.2	64.1	4.7
Feb	204,400	137,263	130,911	3,354	127,557	6,352	67,137	67.2	64.0	4.6
Mar	204,547	137,333	130,854	3,180	127,674	6,479	67,214	67.1	64.0	4.7
Apr	204,731	137,216	131,255	3,341	127,914	5,961	67,515	67.0	64.1	4.3
May	204,899	137,329	131,278	3,347	127,931	6,051	67,570	67.0	64.1	4.4
June	205,085	137,449	131,234	3,345	127,889	6,215	67,636	67.0	64.0	4.5
July	205,270	137,476	131,274	3,408	127,866	6,202	67,794	67.0	64.0	4.5
Aug	205,479	137,565	131,381	3,498	127,883	6,184	67,914	66.9	63.9	4.5
Sept	205,699	138,156	131,922	3,499	128,423	6,234	67,543	67.2	64.1	4.5
Oct	205,919	138,189	131,950	3,585	128,365	6,239	67,730	67.1	64.1	4.5
Nov	206,104	138,230	132,156	3,340	128,816	6,074	67,874	67.1	64.1	4.4
Dec	206,270	138,545	132,517	3,241	129,276	6,028	67,725	67.2	64.2	4.4
1999: Jan ⁵	206,719	139,232	133,225	3,297	129,928	6,007	67,487	67.4	64.4	4.3
Feb	206,873	139,137	133,029	3,328	129,701	6,108	67,736	67.3	64.3	4.4
Mar	207,036	138,804	132,976	3,290	129,686	5,828	68,232	67.0	64.2	4.2
Apr	207,236	139,086	133,054	3,341	129,713	6,032	68,150	67.1	64.2	4.3
May	207,427	139,013	133,190	3,290	129,900	5,823	68,414	67.0	64.2	4.2
June	207,632	139,332	133,398	3,330	130,068	5,934	68,300	67.1	64.2	4.3
July	207,828	139,336	133,399	3,278	130,121	5,937	68,492	67.0	64.2	4.3
Aug	208,038	139,372	133,530	3,234	130,296	5,842	68,666	67.0	64.2	4.2
Sept	208,265	139,475	133,650	3,179	130,471	5,825	68,790	67.0	64.2	4.2
Oct	208,483	139,697	133,940	3,238	130,702	5,757	68,786	67.0	64.2	4.1
Nov	208,666	139,834	134,098	3,310	130,788	5,736	68,832	67.0	64.3	4.1
Dec	208,832	140,108	134,420	3,279	131,141	5,688	68,724	67.1	64.4	4.1

⁵ Not strictly comparable with earlier data due to population adjustments as follows: Beginning 1953, introduction of 1950 census data added about 600,000 to population and 350,000 to labor force, total employment, and agricultural employment. Beginning 1960, inclusion of Alaska and Hawaii added about 500,000 to population, 300,000 to labor force, and 240,000 to nonagricultural employment. Beginning 1962, introduction of 1960 census data reduced population by about 50,000 and labor force and employment by 200,000. Beginning 1972, introduction of 1970 census data added about 800,000 to civilian noninstitutional population and 333,000 to labor force and employment. A subsequent adjustment based on 1970 census in March 1973 added 60,000 to labor force and to employment. Beginning 1978, changes in sampling and estimation procedures introduced into the household survey added about 250,000 to labor force and to employment. Unemployment levels and rates were not significantly affected. Beginning 1986, the introduction of revised population controls added about 400,000 to the civilian population and labor force and 350,000 to civilian employment. Unemployment levels and rates were not significantly affected.

Beginning 1990, the introduction of 1990 census-based population controls, adjusted for the estimated undercount, added about 1.1 million to the civilian population and labor force, 880,000 to civilian employment, and 175,000 to unemployment. The overall unemployment rate rose by about 0.1 percentage point.

Beginning 1994, data are not strictly comparable with earlier data because of the introduction of a major redesign of the Current Population Survey and collection methodology.

Beginning 1997, 1998, and 1999 data are not strictly comparable due to the introduction of revised population controls. See February issues *Employment and Earnings* for details on the effects. Also, for 1998, data reflect the introduction of a new composite estimation procedure for the Current Population Survey.

Note.—Labor force data in Tables B-33 through B-42 are based on household interviews and relate to the calendar week including the 12th of the month. For definitions of terms, area samples used, historical comparability of the data, comparability with other series, etc., see "Employment and Earnings."

Source: Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

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1942	98,640	56,410	53,750	9,250	44,500	2,660	42,230	57.2	54.5	4.7
1943	94,640	55,540	54,470	9,080	45,390	1,070	39,100	58.7	57.6	1.9
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1945	94,090	53,860	52,820	8,580	44,240	1,040	40,230	57.2	56.1	1.9
1946	103,070	57,520	55,250	8,320	46,930	2,270	45,550	55.8	53.6	3.9
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1951	104,621	62,017	59,961	6,726	53,235	2,055	42,604	59.2	57.3	3.3
1952	105,231	62,138	60,250	6,500	53,749	1,883	43,093	59.0	57.3	3.0
1953 ⁵	107,056	63,015	61,179	6,260	54,919	1,834	44,041	58.9	57.1	2.9
1954	108,321	63,643	60,109	6,205	53,904	3,532	44,678	58.8	55.5	5.5
1955	109,683	65,023	62,170	6,450	55,722	2,852	44,660	59.3	56.7	4.4
1956	110,954	66,552	63,799	6,283	57,514	2,750	44,402	60.0	57.5	4.1
1957	112,265	66,929	64,071	5,947	58,123	2,859	45,336	59.6	57.1	4.3
1958	113,727	67,639	63,036	5,586	57,450	4,602	46,088	59.5	55.4	6.8
1959	115,329	68,369	64,630	5,565	59,065	3,740	46,960	59.3	56.0	5.5
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1961	118,771	70,459	65,746	5,200	60,546	4,714	48,312	59.3	55.4	6.7
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1963	122,416	71,833	67,762	4,687	63,076	4,070	50,583	58.7	55.4	5.7
1964	124,485	73,091	69,305	4,523	64,782	3,786	51,394	58.7	55.7	5.2
1965	126,513	74,455	71,088	4,361	66,726	3,366	52,058	58.9	56.2	4.5
1966	128,058	75,770	72,895	3,979	68,915	2,875	52,288	59.2	56.9	3.8
1967	129,874	77,347	74,372	3,844	70,527	2,975	52,527	59.6	57.3	3.8
1968	132,028	78,737	75,920	3,817	72,103	2,817	53,291	59.6	57.5	3.6
1969	134,335	80,734	77,902	3,606	74,296	2,832	53,602	60.1	58.0	3.5
1970	137,085	82,771	78,678	3,463	75,215	4,093	54,315	60.4	57.4	4.9
1971	140,216	84,382	79,367	3,394	75,972	5,016	55,834	60.2	56.6	5.9
1972 ⁵	144,126	87,034	82,153	3,484	78,669	4,882	57,091	60.4	57.0	5.6
1973 ⁵	147,096	89,429	85,064	3,470	81,594	4,365	57,667	60.8	57.8	4.9
1974	150,120	91,949	86,794	3,515	83,279	5,156	58,171	61.3	57.8	5.6
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1978 ⁵	161,910	102,251	96,048	3,387	92,661	6,202	59,659	63.2	59.3	6.1
1979	164,863	104,962	98,824	3,347	95,477	6,137	59,900	63.7	59.9	5.8
1980	167,745	106,940	99,303	3,364	95,938	7,637	60,806	63.8	59.2	7.1
1981	170,130	108,670	100,397	3,368	97,030	8,273	61,460	63.9	59.0	7.6
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1983	174,215	111,550	100,834	3,383	97,450	10,717	62,665	64.0	57.9	9.6
1984	176,383	113,544	105,005	3,321	101,685	8,539	62,839	64.4	59.5	7.5
1985	178,206	115,461	107,150	3,179	103,971	8,312	62,744	64.8	60.1	7.2
1986 ⁵	180,587	117,834	109,597	3,163	106,434	8,237	62,752	65.3	60.7	7.0
1987	182,753	119,865	112,440	3,208	109,232	7,425	62,888	65.6	61.5	6.2
1988	184,613	121,669	114,968	3,169	111,800	6,701	62,944	65.9	62.3	5.5
1989	186,393	123,869	117,342	3,199	114,142	6,528	62,523	66.5	63.0	5.3
1990 ⁵	189,164	125,840	118,793	3,223	115,570	7,047	63,324	66.5	62.8	5.6
1991	190,925	126,346	117,718	3,269	114,449	8,628	64,578	66.2	61.7	6.8
1992	192,805	128,105	118,492	3,247	115,245	9,613	64,700	66.4	61.5	7.5
1993	194,838	129,200	120,259	3,115	117,144	8,940	65,638	66.3	61.7	6.9
1994 ⁵	196,814	131,056	123,060	3,409	119,651	7,996	65,758	66.6	62.5	6.1
1995	198,584	132,304	124,900	3,440	121,460	7,404	66,280	66.6	62.9	5.6
1996	200,591	133,943	126,708	3,443	123,264	7,236	66,647	66.8	63.2	5.4
1997 ⁵	203,133	136,297	129,558	3,399	126,159	6,739	66,837	67.1	63.8	4.9
1998 ⁵	205,220	137,673	131,463	3,378	128,085	6,210	67,547	67.1	64.1	4.5
1999 ⁵	207,753	139,368	133,488	3,281	130,207	5,880	68,385	67.1	64.3	4.2

¹ Not seasonally adjusted.

² Civilian labor force as percent of civilian noninstitutional population.

³ Civilian employment as percent of civilian noninstitutional population.

⁴ Unemployed as percent of civilian labor force.

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TABLE B-35.—*Civilian population and labor force, 1929–2000—Continued*
 [Monthly data seasonally adjusted, except as noted]

Year or month	Civilian noninstitutional population ¹	Civilian labor force					Not in labor force	Civilian labor force participation rate ²	Civilian employment/population ratio ³	Unemployment rate, civilian workers ⁴
		Total	Employment			Unemployment				
			Total	Agricultural	Non-agricultural					
Thousands of persons 16 years of age and over										
Percent										
1997: Jan ⁵	202,285	135,576	128,387	3,459	124,928	7,189	66,709	67.0	63.5	5.3
Feb	202,389	135,496	128,350	3,358	124,992	7,146	66,893	66.9	63.4	5.3
Mar	202,513	135,958	128,922	3,422	125,500	7,036	66,555	67.1	63.7	5.2
Apr	202,674	136,043	129,191	3,468	125,723	6,852	66,631	67.1	63.7	5.0
May	202,832	136,061	129,383	3,434	125,949	6,678	66,771	67.1	63.8	4.9
June	203,000	136,218	129,417	3,398	126,019	6,801	66,782	67.1	63.8	5.0
July	203,166	136,421	129,812	3,421	126,391	6,609	66,745	67.1	63.9	4.8
Aug	203,364	136,590	129,987	3,359	126,628	6,603	66,774	67.2	63.9	4.8
Sept	203,570	136,612	129,982	3,400	126,582	6,630	66,958	67.1	63.9	4.9
Oct	203,767	136,547	130,121	3,309	126,812	6,426	67,220	67.0	63.9	4.7
Nov	203,941	136,860	130,577	3,375	127,202	6,283	67,081	67.1	64.0	4.6
Dec	204,098	137,097	130,646	3,395	127,251	6,451	67,001	67.2	64.0	4.7
1998: Jan ⁵	204,238	137,225	130,819	3,334	127,485	6,406	67,013	67.2	64.1	4.7
Feb	204,400	137,263	130,911	3,354	127,557	6,352	67,137	67.2	64.0	4.6
Mar	204,547	137,333	130,854	3,180	127,674	6,479	67,214	67.1	64.0	4.7
Apr	204,731	137,216	131,255	3,341	127,914	5,961	67,515	67.0	64.1	4.3
May	204,899	137,329	131,278	3,347	127,931	6,051	67,570	67.0	64.1	4.4
June	205,085	137,449	131,234	3,345	127,889	6,215	67,636	67.0	64.0	4.5
July	205,270	137,476	131,274	3,408	127,866	6,202	67,794	67.0	64.0	4.5
Aug	205,479	137,565	131,381	3,498	127,883	6,184	67,914	66.9	63.9	4.5
Sept	205,699	138,156	131,922	3,499	128,423	6,234	67,543	67.2	64.1	4.5
Oct	205,919	138,189	131,950	3,585	128,365	6,239	67,730	67.1	64.1	4.5
Nov	206,104	138,230	132,156	3,340	128,816	6,074	67,874	67.1	64.1	4.4
Dec	206,270	138,545	132,517	3,241	129,276	6,028	67,725	67.2	64.2	4.4
1999: Jan ⁵	206,719	139,232	133,225	3,297	129,928	6,007	67,487	67.4	64.4	4.3
Feb	206,873	139,137	133,029	3,328	129,701	6,108	67,736	67.3	64.3	4.4
Mar	207,036	138,804	132,976	3,290	129,686	5,828	68,232	67.0	64.2	4.2
Apr	207,236	139,086	133,054	3,341	129,713	6,032	68,150	67.1	64.2	4.3
May	207,427	139,013	133,190	3,290	129,900	5,823	68,414	67.0	64.2	4.2
June	207,632	139,332	133,398	3,330	130,068	5,934	68,300	67.1	64.2	4.3
July	207,828	139,336	133,399	3,278	130,121	5,937	68,492	67.0	64.2	4.3
Aug	208,038	139,372	133,530	3,234	130,296	5,842	68,666	67.0	64.2	4.2
Sept	208,265	139,475	133,650	3,179	130,471	5,825	68,790	67.0	64.2	4.2
Oct	208,483	139,697	133,940	3,238	130,702	5,757	68,786	67.0	64.2	4.1
Nov	208,666	139,834	134,098	3,310	130,788	5,736	68,832	67.0	64.3	4.1
Dec	208,832	140,108	134,420	3,279	131,141	5,688	68,724	67.1	64.4	4.1
2000: Jan ⁵	208,782	140,910	135,221	3,371	131,850	5,689	67,872	67.5	64.8	4.0
Feb	208,907	141,165	135,362	3,408	131,954	5,804	67,742	67.6	64.8	4.1
Mar	209,053	140,867	135,159	3,359	131,801	5,708	68,187	67.4	64.7	4.1
Apr	209,216	141,230	135,706	3,355	132,351	5,524	67,986	67.5	64.9	3.9
May	209,371	140,489	134,715	3,298	131,417	5,774	68,882	67.1	64.3	4.1
June	209,543	140,762	135,179	3,321	131,858	5,583	68,781	67.2	64.5	4.0
July	209,727	140,399	134,749	3,299	131,450	5,650	69,329	66.9	64.2	4.0
Aug	209,935	140,742	134,912	3,344	131,569	5,829	69,193	67.0	64.3	4.1
Sept	210,161	140,639	135,161	3,340	131,821	5,477	69,522	66.9	64.3	3.9
Oct	210,378	140,918	135,422	3,233	132,188	5,496	69,460	67.0	64.4	3.9
Nov	210,577	141,052	135,373	3,154	132,219	5,679	69,525	67.0	64.3	4.0

⁵ Not strictly comparable with earlier data due to population adjustments as follows: Beginning 1953, introduction of 1950 census data added about 600,000 to population and 350,000 to labor force, total employment, and agricultural employment. Beginning 1960, inclusion of Alaska and Hawaii added about 500,000 to population, 300,000 to labor force, and 240,000 to nonagricultural employment. Beginning 1962, introduction of 1960 census data reduced population by about 50,000 and labor force and employment by 200,000. Beginning 1972, introduction of 1970 census data added about 800,000 to civilian noninstitutional population and 333,000 to labor force and employment. A subsequent adjustment based on 1970 census in March 1973 added 60,000 to labor force and to employment. Beginning 1978, changes in sampling and estimation procedures introduced into the household survey added about 250,000 to labor force and to employment. Unemployment levels and rates were not significantly affected. Beginning 1986, the introduction of revised population controls added about 400,000 to the civilian population and labor force and 350,000 to civilian employment. Unemployment levels and rates were not significantly affected.

Beginning 1990, the introduction of 1990 census-based population controls, adjusted for the estimated undercount, added about 1.1 million to the civilian population and labor force, 880,000 to civilian employment, and 175,000 to unemployment. The overall unemployment rate rose by about 0.1 percentage point.

Beginning 1994, data are not strictly comparable with earlier data because of the introduction of a major redesign of the Current Population Survey and collection methodology.

Beginning 1997, 1998, 1999, and 2000 data are not strictly comparable due to the introduction of revised population controls. See February issues *Employment and Earnings* for details on the effects. Also, for 1998, data reflect the introduction of a new composite estimation procedure for the Current Population Survey.

Note.—Labor force data in Tables B-35 through B-44 are based on household interviews and relate to the calendar week including the 12th of the month. For definitions of terms, area samples used, historical comparability of the data, comparability with other series, etc., see "Employment and Earnings."

Source: Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

TABLE B-35.—*Civilian population and labor force, 1929–2001*

[Monthly data seasonally adjusted, except as noted]

Year or month	Civilian noninstitutional population ¹	Civilian labor force					Not in labor force	Civilian labor force participation rate ²	Civilian employment/population ratio ³	Unemployment rate, civilian workers ⁴
		Total	Employment		Unemployment					
			Total	Agricultural		Non-agricultural				
Thousands of persons 14 years of age and over								Percent		
1929	.....	49,180	47,630	10,450	37,180	1,550	.....	.....	.....	3.2
1933	.....	51,590	38,760	10,090	28,670	12,830	.....	.....	.....	24.9
1939	.....	55,230	45,750	9,610	36,140	9,480	.....	.....	.....	17.2
1940	98,840	55,640	47,520	9,540	37,980	8,120	44,200	55.7	47.6	14.6
1941	99,900	55,910	50,350	9,100	41,250	5,560	43,990	56.0	50.4	9.9
1942	98,640	56,410	53,750	9,250	44,500	2,660	42,230	57.2	54.5	4.7
1943	94,640	55,540	54,470	9,080	45,390	1,070	39,100	58.7	57.6	1.9
1944	93,220	54,630	53,960	8,950	45,010	670	38,590	58.6	57.9	1.2
1945	94,090	53,860	52,820	8,580	44,240	1,040	40,230	57.2	56.1	1.9
1946	103,070	57,520	55,250	8,320	46,930	2,270	45,550	55.8	53.6	3.9
1947	106,018	60,168	57,812	8,256	49,557	2,356	45,850	56.8	54.5	3.9
Thousands of persons 16 years of age and over										
1947	101,827	59,350	57,038	7,890	49,148	2,311	42,477	58.3	56.0	3.9
1948	103,068	60,621	58,343	7,629	50,714	2,276	42,447	58.8	56.6	3.8
1949	103,994	61,286	57,651	7,658	49,993	3,637	42,708	58.9	55.4	5.9
1950	104,995	62,208	58,918	7,160	51,758	3,288	42,787	59.2	56.1	5.3
1951	104,621	62,017	59,961	6,726	53,235	2,055	42,604	59.2	57.3	3.3
1952	105,231	62,138	60,250	6,500	53,749	1,883	43,093	59.0	57.3	3.0
1953 ⁵	107,056	63,015	61,179	6,260	54,919	1,834	44,041	58.9	57.1	2.9
1954	108,321	63,643	60,109	6,205	53,904	3,532	44,678	58.8	55.5	5.5
1955	109,683	65,023	62,170	6,450	55,722	2,852	44,660	59.3	56.7	4.4
1956	110,954	66,552	63,799	6,283	57,514	2,750	44,402	60.0	57.5	4.1
1957	112,265	66,929	64,071	5,947	58,123	2,859	45,336	59.6	57.1	4.3
1958	113,727	67,639	63,036	5,586	57,450	4,602	46,088	59.5	55.4	6.8
1959	115,329	68,369	64,630	5,565	59,065	3,740	46,960	59.3	56.0	5.5
1960 ⁵	117,245	69,628	65,778	5,458	60,318	3,852	47,617	59.4	56.1	5.5
1961	118,771	70,459	65,746	5,200	60,546	4,714	48,312	59.3	55.4	6.7
1962 ⁵	120,153	70,614	66,702	4,944	61,759	3,911	49,539	58.8	55.5	5.5
1963	122,416	71,833	67,762	4,687	63,076	4,070	50,583	58.7	55.4	5.7
1964	124,485	73,091	69,305	4,523	64,782	3,786	51,394	58.7	55.7	5.2
1965	126,513	74,455	71,088	4,361	66,726	3,366	52,058	58.9	56.2	4.5
1966	128,058	75,770	72,895	3,979	68,915	2,875	52,288	59.2	56.9	3.8
1967	129,874	77,347	74,372	3,844	70,527	2,975	52,527	59.6	57.3	3.8
1968	132,028	78,737	75,920	3,817	72,103	2,817	53,291	59.6	57.5	3.6
1969	134,335	80,734	77,902	3,606	74,296	2,832	53,602	60.1	58.0	3.5
1970	137,085	82,771	78,678	3,463	75,215	4,093	54,315	60.4	57.4	4.9
1971	140,216	84,382	79,367	3,394	75,972	5,016	55,834	60.2	56.6	5.9
1972 ⁵	144,126	87,034	82,153	3,484	78,669	4,882	57,091	60.4	57.0	5.6
1973 ⁵	147,096	89,429	85,064	3,470	81,594	4,365	57,667	60.8	57.8	4.9
1974	150,120	91,949	86,794	3,515	83,279	5,156	58,171	61.3	57.8	5.6
1975	153,153	93,775	85,846	3,408	82,438	7,929	59,377	61.2	56.1	8.5
1976	156,150	96,158	88,752	3,331	85,421	7,406	59,991	61.6	56.8	7.7
1977	159,033	99,009	92,017	3,283	88,734	6,991	60,025	62.3	57.9	7.1
1978 ⁵	161,910	102,251	96,048	3,387	92,661	6,202	59,659	63.2	59.3	6.1
1979	164,863	104,962	98,824	3,347	95,477	6,137	59,900	63.7	59.9	5.8
1980	167,745	106,940	99,303	3,364	95,938	7,637	60,806	63.8	59.2	7.1
1981	170,130	108,070	100,397	3,368	97,030	8,273	61,460	63.9	59.0	7.6
1982	172,271	110,204	99,526	3,401	96,125	10,678	62,067	64.0	57.8	9.7
1983	174,215	111,550	100,834	3,383	97,450	10,717	62,665	64.0	57.9	9.6
1984	176,383	113,544	105,005	3,321	101,685	8,539	62,839	64.4	59.5	7.5
1985	178,206	115,461	107,150	3,179	103,971	8,312	62,744	64.8	60.1	7.2
1986 ⁵	180,587	117,834	109,597	3,163	106,434	8,237	62,752	65.3	60.7	7.0
1987	182,753	119,865	112,440	3,208	109,232	7,425	62,888	65.6	61.5	6.2
1988	184,613	121,669	114,968	3,169	111,800	6,701	62,944	65.9	62.3	5.5
1989	186,393	123,869	117,342	3,199	114,142	6,528	62,523	66.5	63.0	5.3
1990 ⁵	189,164	125,840	118,793	3,223	115,570	7,047	63,324	66.5	62.8	5.6
1991	190,925	126,346	117,718	3,269	114,449	8,628	64,578	66.2	61.7	6.8
1992	192,805	128,105	118,492	3,247	115,245	9,613	64,700	66.4	61.5	7.5
1993	194,838	129,200	120,259	3,115	117,144	8,940	65,638	66.3	61.7	6.9
1994 ⁵	196,814	131,056	123,060	3,409	119,651	7,996	65,758	66.6	62.5	6.1
1995	198,584	132,304	124,900	3,440	121,460	7,404	66,280	66.6	62.9	5.6
1996	200,591	133,943	126,708	3,443	123,264	7,236	66,647	66.8	63.2	5.4
1997 ⁵	203,133	136,297	129,558	3,399	126,159	6,739	66,837	67.1	63.8	4.9
1998 ⁵	205,220	137,673	131,463	3,378	128,085	6,210	67,547	67.1	64.1	4.5
1999 ⁵	207,753	139,368	133,488	3,281	130,207	5,880	68,385	67.1	64.3	4.2
2000 ⁵	209,699	140,863	135,208	3,305	131,903	5,655	68,836	67.2	64.5	4.0
2001 ⁵	211,864	141,815	135,073	3,144	131,929	6,742	70,050	66.9	63.8	4.0

¹ Not seasonally adjusted.² Civilian labor force as percent of civilian noninstitutional population.³ Civilian employment as percent of civilian noninstitutional population.⁴ Unemployed as percent of civilian labor force.

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TABLE B-35.—*Civilian population and labor force, 1929–2001—Continued*

[Monthly data seasonally adjusted, except as noted]

Year or month	Civilian noninstitutional population ¹	Civilian labor force					Not in labor force	Civilian labor force participation rate ²	Civilian employment/population ratio ³	Unemployment rate, civilian workers ⁴
		Total	Employment			Unemployment				
			Total	Agricultural	Non-agricultural					
		Thousands of persons 16 years of age and over						Percent		
1998:Jan ⁵	204,238	137,016	130,652	3,322	127,330	6,364	67,222	67.1	64.0	4.6
Feb	204,400	137,092	130,804	3,342	127,462	6,288	67,308	67.1	64.0	4.6
Mar	204,547	137,240	130,807	3,173	127,634	6,433	67,307	67.1	63.9	4.7
Apr	204,731	137,161	131,177	3,334	127,843	5,984	67,570	67.0	64.1	4.4
May	204,899	137,434	131,405	3,348	128,057	6,029	67,465	67.1	64.1	4.4
June	205,085	137,453	131,237	3,365	127,872	6,216	67,632	67.0	64.0	4.5
July	205,270	137,565	131,293	3,415	127,878	6,272	67,705	67.0	64.0	4.6
Aug	205,479	137,606	131,421	3,494	127,927	6,185	67,873	67.0	64.0	4.5
Sept	205,699	138,249	131,965	3,477	128,488	6,284	67,450	67.2	64.2	4.5
Oct	205,919	138,309	132,036	3,582	128,454	6,273	67,610	67.2	64.1	4.5
Nov	206,104	138,387	132,293	3,363	128,930	6,094	67,717	67.1	64.2	4.4
Dec	206,270	138,624	132,577	3,249	129,328	6,047	67,646	67.2	64.3	4.4
1999:Jan ⁵	206,719	138,912	132,959	3,278	129,681	5,953	67,807	67.2	64.3	4.3
Feb	206,873	138,869	132,845	3,309	129,536	6,024	68,004	67.1	64.2	4.3
Mar	207,036	138,679	132,899	3,276	129,623	5,780	68,357	67.0	64.2	4.2
Apr	207,236	138,982	132,928	3,331	129,597	6,054	68,254	67.1	64.1	4.4
May	207,427	139,180	133,371	3,294	130,077	5,809	68,247	67.1	64.3	4.2
June	207,632	139,358	133,415	3,361	130,054	5,943	68,274	67.1	64.3	4.3
July	207,828	139,466	133,434	3,293	130,141	6,032	68,362	67.1	64.2	4.3
Aug	208,038	139,455	133,616	3,229	130,387	5,839	68,583	67.0	64.2	4.2
Sept	208,265	139,600	133,694	3,152	130,542	5,906	68,665	67.0	64.2	4.2
Oct	208,483	139,858	134,065	3,239	130,826	5,793	68,625	67.1	64.3	4.1
Nov	208,666	140,038	134,299	3,345	130,954	5,739	68,628	67.1	64.4	4.1
Dec	208,832	140,213	134,513	3,287	131,226	5,700	68,619	67.1	64.4	4.1
2000:Jan ⁵	208,782	140,500	134,881	3,352	131,529	5,619	68,282	67.3	64.6	4.0
Feb	208,907	140,750	135,049	3,375	131,674	5,701	68,157	67.4	64.6	4.1
Mar	209,053	140,718	135,055	3,339	131,716	5,663	68,335	67.3	64.6	4.0
Apr	209,216	141,080	135,549	3,336	132,213	5,531	68,136	67.4	64.8	3.9
May	209,371	140,715	134,954	3,296	131,658	5,761	68,656	67.2	64.5	4.1
June	209,543	140,837	135,235	3,361	131,874	5,602	68,706	67.2	64.5	4.0
July	209,727	140,507	134,777	3,321	131,456	5,730	69,220	67.0	64.3	4.1
Aug	209,935	140,831	135,016	3,339	131,677	5,815	69,104	67.1	64.3	4.1
Sept	210,161	140,752	135,167	3,310	131,857	5,585	69,409	67.0	64.3	4.0
Oct	210,378	141,013	135,485	3,223	132,262	5,528	69,365	67.0	64.4	3.9
Nov	210,577	141,215	135,573	3,202	132,371	5,642	69,362	67.1	64.4	4.0
Dec	210,743	141,544	135,888	3,230	132,658	5,656	69,199	67.2	64.5	4.0
2001:Jan ⁵	210,889	141,757	135,870	3,169	132,701	5,887	69,132	67.2	64.4	4.2
Feb	211,026	141,622	135,734	3,133	132,601	5,888	69,404	67.1	64.3	4.2
Mar	211,171	141,869	135,808	3,163	132,645	6,061	69,302	67.2	64.3	4.3
Apr	211,348	141,734	135,424	3,167	132,257	6,310	69,614	67.1	64.1	4.5
May	211,525	141,445	135,235	3,193	132,042	6,210	70,080	66.9	63.9	4.4
June	211,725	141,468	135,003	3,044	131,959	6,465	70,257	66.8	63.8	4.6
July	211,921	141,651	135,106	3,055	132,051	6,545	70,270	66.8	63.8	4.6
Aug	212,135	141,380	134,408	3,126	131,282	6,972	70,755	66.6	63.4	4.9
Sept	212,357	142,068	135,004	3,181	131,823	7,064	70,289	66.9	63.6	5.0
Oct	212,581	142,280	134,615	3,203	131,412	7,665	70,301	66.9	63.3	5.4
Nov	212,767	142,279	134,253	3,154	131,099	8,026	70,488	66.9	63.1	5.6
Dec	212,927	142,314	134,055	3,246	130,809	8,259	70,613	66.8	63.0	5.8

⁵ Not strictly comparable with earlier data due to population adjustments as follows: Beginning 1953, introduction of 1950 census data added about 600,000 to population and 350,000 to labor force, total employment, and agricultural employment. Beginning 1960, inclusion of Alaska and Hawaii added about 500,000 to population, 300,000 to labor force, and 240,000 to nonagricultural employment. Beginning 1962, introduction of 1960 census data reduced population by about 50,000 and labor force and employment by 200,000. Beginning 1972, introduction of 1970 census data added about 800,000 to civilian noninstitutional population and 333,000 to labor force and employment. A subsequent adjustment based on 1970 census in March 1973 added 60,000 to labor force and to employment. Beginning 1978, changes in sampling and estimation procedures introduced into the household survey added about 250,000 to labor force and to employment. Unemployment levels and rates were not significantly affected. Beginning 1986, the introduction of revised population controls added about 400,000 to the civilian population and labor force and 350,000 to civilian employment. Unemployment levels and rates were not significantly affected.

Beginning 1990, the introduction of 1990 census-based population controls, adjusted for the estimated undercount, added about 1.1 million to the civilian population and labor force, 880,000 to civilian employment, and 175,000 to unemployment. The overall unemployment rate rose by about 0.1 percentage point.

Beginning 1994, data are not strictly comparable with earlier data because of the introduction of a major redesign of the Current Population Survey and collection methodology.

Beginning 1997, 1998, 1999 and 2000 data are not strictly comparable due to the introduction of revised population controls. See February issues *Employment and Earnings* for details on the effects. Also, for 1998, data reflect the introduction of a new composite estimation procedure for the Current Population Survey.

Beginning 2001, data reflect minor revisions to population controls. See *The Employment Situation* release of February 2, 2001.

Note.—Labor force data in Tables B-35 through B-44 are based on household interviews and relate to the calendar week including the 12th of the month. For definitions of terms, area samples used, historical comparability of the data, comparability with other series, etc., see "Employment and Earnings."

Source: Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

TABLE B-35.—*Civilian population and labor force, 1929–2002*
 [Monthly data seasonally adjusted, except as noted]

Year or month	Civilian noninstitutional population ¹	Civilian labor force						Civilian labor force participation rate ²	Civilian employment/population ratio ³	Unemployment rate, civilian workers ⁴	
		Total	Employment			Unemployment	Not in labor force				
			Total	Agricultural	Non-agricultural						
		Thousands of persons 14 years of age and over							Percent		
1929		49,180	47,630	10,450	37,180	1,550				3.2	
1933		51,590	38,760	10,090	28,670	12,830				24.9	
1939		55,230	45,750	9,610	36,140	9,480				17.2	
1940	99,840	55,640	47,520	9,540	37,980	8,120	44,200	55.7	47.6	14.6	
1941	99,900	55,910	50,350	9,100	41,250	5,560	43,990	56.0	50.4	9.9	
1942	98,640	56,410	53,750	9,250	44,500	2,660	42,230	57.2	54.5	4.7	
1943	94,640	55,540	54,470	9,080	45,390	1,070	39,100	58.7	57.6	1.9	
1944	93,220	54,630	53,960	8,950	45,010	670	38,590	58.6	57.9	1.2	
1945	94,090	53,860	52,820	8,580	44,240	1,040	40,230	57.2	56.1	1.9	
1946	103,070	57,520	55,250	8,320	46,930	2,270	45,550	55.8	53.6	3.9	
1947	106,018	60,168	57,812	8,256	49,557	2,356	45,850	56.8	54.5	3.9	
		Thousands of persons 16 years of age and over									
1947	101,827	59,350	57,038	7,890	49,148	2,311	42,477	58.3	56.0	3.9	
1948	103,068	60,621	58,343	7,629	50,714	2,276	42,447	58.8	56.6	3.8	
1949	103,994	61,286	57,651	7,658	49,993	3,637	42,708	58.9	55.4	5.9	
1950	104,995	62,208	58,918	7,160	51,758	3,288	42,787	59.2	56.1	5.3	
1951	104,621	62,017	59,961	6,726	53,235	2,055	42,604	59.2	57.3	3.3	
1952	105,231	62,138	60,250	6,500	53,749	1,883	43,093	59.0	57.3	3.0	
1953 ⁵	107,056	63,015	61,179	6,260	54,919	1,834	44,041	58.9	57.1	2.9	
1954	108,321	63,643	60,109	6,205	53,904	3,532	44,678	58.8	55.5	5.5	
1955	109,683	65,023	62,170	6,450	55,722	2,852	44,660	59.3	56.7	4.4	
1956	110,954	66,552	63,799	6,283	57,514	2,750	44,402	60.0	57.5	4.1	
1957	112,265	66,929	64,071	5,947	58,123	2,859	45,336	59.6	57.1	4.3	
1958	113,727	67,639	63,036	5,586	57,450	4,602	46,088	59.5	55.4	6.8	
1959	115,329	68,369	64,630	5,565	59,065	3,740	46,960	59.3	56.0	5.5	
1960 ⁵	117,245	69,628	65,778	5,458	60,318	3,852	47,617	59.4	56.1	5.5	
1961	118,771	70,459	65,746	5,200	60,546	4,714	48,312	59.3	55.4	6.7	
1962 ⁵	120,153	70,614	66,702	4,944	61,759	3,911	49,539	58.8	55.5	5.5	
1963	122,416	71,833	67,762	4,687	63,076	4,070	50,583	58.7	55.4	5.7	
1964	124,485	73,091	69,305	4,523	64,782	3,786	51,394	58.7	55.7	5.2	
1965	126,513	74,455	71,088	4,361	66,726	3,366	52,058	58.9	56.2	4.5	
1966	128,058	75,770	72,895	3,979	68,915	2,875	52,288	59.2	56.9	3.8	
1967	129,874	77,347	74,372	3,844	70,527	2,975	52,527	59.6	57.3	3.8	
1968	132,028	78,737	75,920	3,817	72,103	2,817	53,291	59.6	57.5	3.6	
1969	134,335	80,734	77,902	3,606	74,296	2,832	53,602	60.1	58.0	3.5	
1970	137,085	82,771	78,678	3,463	75,215	4,093	54,315	60.4	57.4	4.9	
1971	140,216	84,382	79,367	3,394	75,972	5,016	55,834	60.2	56.6	5.9	
1972 ⁵	144,126	87,034	82,153	3,484	78,669	4,882	57,091	60.4	57.0	5.6	
1973 ⁵	147,096	89,429	85,064	3,470	81,594	4,365	57,667	60.8	57.8	4.9	
1974	150,120	91,949	86,794	3,515	83,279	5,156	58,171	61.3	57.8	5.6	
1975	153,153	93,775	85,846	3,408	82,438	7,929	59,377	61.2	56.1	8.5	
1976	156,150	96,158	88,752	3,331	85,421	7,406	59,991	61.6	56.8	7.7	
1977	159,033	99,009	92,017	3,283	88,734	6,991	60,025	62.3	57.9	7.1	
1978 ⁵	161,910	102,251	96,048	3,387	92,661	6,202	59,659	63.2	59.3	6.1	
1979	164,863	104,962	98,824	3,347	95,477	6,137	59,900	63.7	59.9	5.8	
1980	167,745	106,940	99,303	3,364	95,938	7,637	60,806	63.8	59.2	7.1	
1981	170,130	108,670	100,397	3,368	97,030	8,273	61,460	63.9	59.0	7.6	
1982	172,271	110,204	99,526	3,401	96,125	10,678	62,067	64.0	57.8	9.7	
1983	174,215	111,550	100,834	3,383	97,450	10,717	62,665	64.0	57.9	9.6	
1984	176,383	113,544	105,005	3,321	101,685	8,539	62,839	64.4	59.5	7.5	
1985	178,206	115,461	107,150	3,179	103,971	8,312	62,744	64.8	60.1	7.2	
1986 ⁵	180,587	117,834	109,597	3,163	106,434	8,237	62,752	65.3	60.7	7.0	
1987	182,753	119,865	112,440	3,208	109,232	7,425	62,888	65.6	61.5	6.2	
1988	184,613	121,669	114,968	3,169	111,800	6,701	62,944	65.9	62.3	5.5	
1989	186,393	123,869	117,342	3,199	114,142	6,528	62,523	66.5	63.0	5.3	

¹ Not seasonally adjusted.
² Civilian labor force as percent of civilian noninstitutional population.
³ Civilian employment as percent of civilian noninstitutional population.
⁴ Unemployed as percent of civilian labor force.

See next page for continuation of table.

TABLE B-35.—*Civilian population and labor force, 1929–2002—Continued*
 [Monthly data seasonally adjusted, except as noted]

Year or month	Civilian noninstitutional population ¹	Civilian labor force					Not in labor force	Civilian labor force participation rate ²	Civilian employment/population ratio ³	Unemployment rate, civilian workers ⁴
		Total	Employment			Unemployment				
			Total	Agricultural	Non-agricultural					
Thousands of persons 16 years of age and over								Percent		
1990 ⁵	189,164	125,840	118,793	3,223	115,570	7,047	63,324	66.5	62.8	5.6
1991	190,925	126,346	117,718	3,269	114,449	8,628	64,578	66.2	61.7	6.8
1992	192,805	128,105	118,492	3,247	115,245	9,613	64,700	66.4	61.5	7.5
1993	194,838	129,200	120,259	3,115	117,144	8,940	65,638	66.3	61.7	6.9
1994 ⁵	196,814	131,056	123,060	3,409	119,651	7,996	65,758	66.6	62.5	6.1
1995	198,584	132,304	124,900	3,440	121,460	7,404	66,280	66.6	62.9	5.6
1996	200,591	133,943	126,708	3,443	123,264	7,236	66,647	66.8	63.2	5.4
1997 ⁵	203,133	136,297	129,558	3,399	126,159	6,739	66,837	67.1	63.8	4.9
1998 ⁵	205,220	137,673	131,463	3,378	128,085	6,210	67,547	67.1	64.1	4.5
1999 ⁵	207,753	139,368	133,488	3,281	130,207	5,880	68,385	67.1	64.3	4.2
2000 ⁵	209,699	140,863	135,208	3,305	131,903	5,655	68,836	67.2	64.5	4.0
2001 ⁵	211,864	141,815	135,073	3,144	131,929	6,742	70,050	66.9	63.8	4.8
2002	213,977	142,535	134,269	3,248	131,020	8,266	71,442	66.6	62.7	5.8
1999: Jan ⁵	206,719	138,912	132,959	3,278	129,681	5,953	67,807	67.2	64.3	4.3
Feb	206,873	138,869	132,845	3,309	129,536	6,024	68,004	67.1	64.2	4.3
Mar	207,036	138,679	132,899	3,276	129,623	5,780	68,357	67.0	64.2	4.2
Apr	207,236	138,982	132,928	3,331	129,597	6,054	68,254	67.1	64.1	4.4
May	207,427	139,180	133,371	3,294	130,077	5,809	68,247	67.1	64.3	4.2
June	207,632	139,358	133,415	3,361	130,054	5,943	68,274	67.1	64.3	4.3
July	207,828	139,466	133,434	3,293	130,141	6,032	68,362	67.1	64.2	4.3
Aug	208,038	139,455	133,616	3,229	130,387	5,839	68,583	67.0	64.2	4.2
Sept	208,265	139,600	133,694	3,152	130,542	5,906	68,665	67.0	64.2	4.2
Oct	208,483	139,858	134,065	3,239	130,826	5,793	68,625	67.1	64.3	4.1
Nov	208,666	140,038	134,299	3,345	130,954	5,739	68,628	67.1	64.4	4.1
Dec	208,832	140,213	134,513	3,287	131,226	5,700	68,619	67.1	64.4	4.1
2000: Jan ⁵	208,782	140,500	134,881	3,352	131,529	5,619	68,282	67.3	64.6	4.0
Feb	208,907	140,750	135,049	3,375	131,674	5,701	68,157	67.4	64.6	4.0
Mar	209,053	140,718	135,055	3,339	131,716	5,663	68,335	67.3	64.6	4.0
Apr	209,216	141,080	135,549	3,336	132,213	5,531	68,136	67.4	64.8	3.9
May	209,371	140,715	134,954	3,296	131,658	5,761	68,656	67.2	64.5	4.1
June	209,543	140,837	135,235	3,361	131,874	5,602	68,706	67.2	64.5	4.0
July	209,727	140,507	134,777	3,321	131,456	5,730	69,220	67.0	64.3	4.1
Aug	209,935	140,831	135,016	3,339	131,677	5,815	69,104	67.1	64.3	4.1
Sept	210,161	140,752	135,167	3,310	131,857	5,585	69,409	67.0	64.3	4.0
Oct	210,378	141,013	135,485	3,223	132,262	5,528	69,365	67.0	64.4	3.9
Nov	210,577	141,215	135,573	3,202	132,371	5,642	69,362	67.1	64.4	4.0
Dec	210,743	141,544	135,888	3,230	132,658	5,656	69,199	67.2	64.5	4.0
2001: Jan ⁵	210,889	141,757	135,870	3,169	132,701	5,887	69,132	67.2	64.4	4.2
Feb	211,026	141,622	135,734	3,133	132,601	5,888	69,404	67.1	64.3	4.2
Mar	211,171	141,869	135,808	3,163	132,645	6,061	69,302	67.2	64.3	4.3
Apr	211,348	141,734	135,424	3,167	132,257	6,310	69,614	67.1	64.1	4.5
May	211,525	141,445	135,235	3,193	132,042	6,210	70,080	66.9	63.9	4.4
June	211,725	141,468	135,003	3,044	131,959	6,465	70,257	66.8	63.8	4.6
July	211,921	141,651	135,106	3,055	132,051	6,545	70,270	66.8	63.8	4.6
Aug	212,135	141,380	134,408	3,126	131,282	6,972	70,755	66.6	63.4	4.9
Sept	212,357	142,068	135,004	3,181	131,823	7,064	70,289	66.9	63.6	5.0
Oct	212,581	142,280	134,615	3,203	131,412	7,665	70,301	66.9	63.3	5.4
Nov	212,767	142,279	134,253	3,154	131,099	8,026	70,488	66.9	63.1	5.6
Dec	212,927	142,314	134,055	3,246	130,809	8,259	70,613	66.8	63.0	5.8
2002: Jan	213,089	141,390	133,468	3,273	130,195	7,922	71,699	66.4	62.6	5.6
Feb	213,206	142,211	134,319	3,246	131,073	7,891	70,995	66.7	63.0	5.5
Mar	213,334	142,005	133,894	3,126	130,768	8,111	71,329	66.6	62.8	5.7
Apr	213,492	142,570	133,976	3,154	130,823	8,594	70,922	66.8	62.8	6.0
May	213,658	142,769	134,417	3,097	131,320	8,351	70,889	66.8	62.9	5.8
June	213,842	142,476	134,053	3,110	130,942	8,424	71,366	66.6	62.7	5.9
July	214,023	142,390	134,045	3,282	130,763	8,345	71,633	66.5	62.6	5.9
Aug	214,225	142,616	134,474	3,188	131,286	8,142	71,609	66.6	62.8	5.7
Sept	214,429	143,277	135,185	3,298	131,887	8,092	71,152	66.8	63.0	5.6
Oct	214,643	143,123	134,914	3,525	131,389	8,209	71,519	66.7	62.9	5.7
Nov	214,819	142,733	134,225	3,357	130,867	8,508	72,087	66.4	62.5	6.0
Dec	214,968	142,542	133,952	3,311	130,640	8,590	72,425	66.3	62.3	6.0

⁵ Not strictly comparable with earlier data due to population adjustments or other changes. See *Employment and Earnings* for details on breaks in series.

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Source: Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

TABLE B-35.—*Civilian population and labor force, 1929–2003*
[Monthly data seasonally adjusted, except as noted]

Year or month	Civilian noninstitutional population ¹	Civilian labor force						Civilian labor force participation rate ²	Civilian employment/population ratio ³	Unemployment rate, civilian workers ⁴	
		Total	Employment			Unemployment	Not in labor force				
			Total	Agricultural	Non-agricultural						
		Thousands of persons 14 years of age and over							Percent		
1929		49,180	47,630	10,450	37,180	1,550				32.9	
1933		51,590	38,760	10,090	28,670	12,830				24.9	
1939		55,230	45,750	9,610	36,140	9,480				17.2	
1940	99,840	55,640	47,520	9,540	37,980	8,120	44,200	55.7	47.6	14.6	
1941	99,900	55,910	50,350	9,100	41,250	5,560	43,990	56.0	50.4	9.9	
1942	98,640	56,410	53,750	9,250	44,500	2,660	42,230	57.2	54.5	4.7	
1943	94,640	55,540	54,470	9,080	45,390	1,070	39,100	58.7	57.6	1.9	
1944	93,220	54,630	53,960	8,950	45,010	670	38,590	58.6	57.9	1.2	
1945	94,090	53,860	52,820	8,580	44,240	1,040	40,230	57.2	56.1	1.9	
1946	103,070	57,520	55,250	8,320	46,930	2,270	45,550	55.8	53.6	3.9	
1947	106,018	60,168	57,812	8,256	49,557	2,356	45,850	56.8	54.5	3.9	
		Thousands of persons 16 years of age and over									
1947	101,827	59,350	57,038	7,890	49,148	2,311	42,477	58.3	56.0	3.9	
1948	103,068	60,621	58,343	7,629	50,714	2,276	42,447	58.8	56.6	3.8	
1949	103,994	61,286	57,651	7,658	49,993	3,637	42,708	58.9	55.4	5.9	
1950	104,995	62,208	58,918	7,160	51,758	3,288	42,787	59.2	56.1	5.3	
1951	104,621	62,017	59,961	6,726	53,235	2,055	42,604	59.2	57.3	3.3	
1952	105,231	62,138	60,250	6,500	53,749	1,883	43,093	59.0	57.3	3.0	
1953 ⁵	107,056	63,015	61,179	6,260	54,919	1,834	44,041	58.9	57.1	2.9	
1954	108,321	63,643	60,109	6,205	53,904	3,532	44,678	58.8	55.5	5.5	
1955	109,683	65,023	62,170	6,450	55,722	2,852	44,660	59.3	56.7	4.4	
1956	110,954	66,552	63,799	6,283	57,514	2,750	44,402	60.0	57.5	4.1	
1957	112,265	66,929	64,071	5,947	58,123	2,859	45,336	59.6	57.1	4.3	
1958	113,727	67,639	63,036	5,586	57,450	4,602	46,088	59.5	55.4	6.8	
1959	115,329	68,369	64,630	5,565	59,065	3,740	46,960	59.3	56.0	5.5	
1960 ⁵	117,245	69,628	65,778	5,458	60,318	3,852	47,617	59.4	56.1	5.5	
1961	118,771	70,459	65,746	5,200	60,546	4,714	48,312	59.3	55.4	6.7	
1962 ⁵	120,153	70,614	66,702	4,944	61,759	3,911	49,539	58.8	55.5	5.5	
1963	122,416	71,833	67,762	4,687	63,076	4,070	50,583	58.7	55.4	5.7	
1964	124,485	73,091	69,305	4,523	64,782	3,786	51,394	58.7	55.7	5.2	
1965	126,513	74,455	71,088	4,361	66,726	3,366	52,058	58.9	56.2	4.5	
1966	128,058	75,770	72,895	3,979	68,915	2,875	52,288	59.2	56.9	3.8	
1967	129,874	77,347	74,372	3,844	70,527	2,975	52,527	59.6	57.3	3.8	
1968	132,028	78,737	75,920	3,817	72,103	2,817	53,291	59.6	57.5	3.6	
1969	134,335	80,734	77,902	3,606	74,296	2,832	53,602	60.1	58.0	3.5	
1970	137,085	82,771	78,678	3,463	75,215	4,093	54,315	60.4	57.4	4.9	
1971	140,216	84,382	79,367	3,394	75,972	5,016	55,834	60.2	56.6	5.9	
1972 ⁵	144,126	87,034	82,153	3,484	78,669	4,882	57,091	60.4	57.0	5.6	
1973 ⁵	147,096	89,429	85,064	3,470	81,594	4,365	57,667	60.8	57.8	4.9	
1974	150,120	91,949	86,794	3,515	83,279	5,156	58,171	61.3	57.8	5.6	
1975	153,153	93,775	85,846	3,408	82,438	7,929	59,377	61.2	56.1	8.5	
1976	156,150	96,158	88,752	3,331	85,421	7,406	59,991	61.6	56.8	7.7	
1977	159,033	99,009	92,017	3,283	88,734	6,991	60,025	62.3	57.9	7.1	
1978 ⁵	161,910	102,251	96,048	3,387	92,661	6,202	59,659	63.2	59.3	6.1	
1979	164,863	104,962	98,824	3,347	95,477	6,137	59,900	63.7	59.9	5.8	
1980	167,745	106,940	99,303	3,364	95,938	7,637	60,806	63.8	59.2	7.1	
1981	170,130	108,670	100,397	3,368	97,030	8,273	61,460	63.9	59.0	7.6	
1982	172,271	110,204	99,526	3,401	96,125	10,678	62,067	64.0	57.8	9.7	
1983	174,215	111,550	100,834	3,383	97,450	10,717	62,665	64.0	57.9	9.6	
1984	176,383	113,544	105,005	3,321	101,685	8,539	62,839	64.4	59.5	7.5	
1985	178,206	115,461	107,150	3,179	103,971	8,312	62,744	64.8	60.1	7.2	
1986 ⁵	180,587	117,834	109,597	3,163	106,434	8,237	62,752	65.3	60.7	7.0	
1987	182,753	119,865	112,440	3,208	109,232	7,425	62,888	65.6	61.5	6.2	
1988	184,613	121,669	114,968	3,169	111,800	6,701	62,944	65.9	62.3	5.5	
1989	186,393	123,869	117,342	3,199	114,142	6,528	62,523	66.5	63.0	5.3	
1990 ⁵	189,164	125,840	118,793	3,223	115,570	7,047	63,324	66.5	62.8	5.6	
1991	190,925	126,346	117,718	3,269	114,449	8,628	64,578	66.2	61.7	6.8	
1992	192,805	128,105	118,492	3,247	115,245	9,613	64,700	66.4	61.5	7.5	
1993	194,838	129,200	120,259	3,115	117,144	8,940	65,638	66.3	61.7	6.9	
1994 ⁵	196,814	131,056	123,060	3,409	119,651	7,996	65,758	66.6	62.5	6.1	
1995	198,584	132,304	124,900	3,440	121,460	7,404	66,280	66.6	62.9	5.6	
1996	200,591	133,943	126,708	3,443	123,264	7,236	66,647	66.8	63.2	5.4	
1997 ⁵	203,133	136,297	129,558	3,399	126,159	6,739	66,837	67.1	63.8	4.9	
1998 ⁵	205,220	137,673	131,463	3,378	128,085	6,210	67,547	67.1	64.1	4.5	
1999 ⁵	207,753	139,368	133,488	3,281	130,207	5,880	68,385	67.1	64.3	4.2	

¹ Not seasonally adjusted.
² Civilian labor force as percent of civilian noninstitutional population.
³ Civilian employment as percent of civilian noninstitutional population.
⁴ Unemployed as percent of civilian labor force.

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TABLE B-35.—*Civilian population and labor force, 1929–2003—Continued*
 [Monthly data seasonally adjusted, except as noted]

Year or month	Civilian noninstitutional population ¹	Civilian labor force					Not in labor force	Civilian labor force participation rate ²	Civilian employment/population ratio ³	Unemployment rate, civilian workers ⁴
		Total	Employment			Unemployment				
			Total	Agricultural	Non-agricultural					
Thousands of persons 16 years of age and over								Percent		
2000 ^{5 6}	212,577	142,583	136,891	2,464	134,427	5,692	69,994	67.1	64.4	4.0
2001	215,092	143,734	136,933	2,299	134,635	6,801	71,359	66.8	63.7	4.7
2002	217,570	144,863	136,485	2,311	134,174	8,378	72,707	66.6	62.7	5.8
2003	221,168	146,510	137,736	2,275	135,461	8,774	74,658	66.2	62.3	6.0
2000: Jan ^{5 6}	211,410	142,258	136,561	2,611	133,912	5,698	69,151	67.3	64.6	4.0
Feb	211,576	142,452	136,599	2,728	133,901	5,853	69,125	67.3	64.6	4.1
Mar	211,772	142,398	136,668	2,578	134,004	5,730	69,374	67.2	64.5	4.0
Apr	212,018	142,747	137,264	2,505	134,778	5,483	69,271	67.3	64.7	3.8
May	212,242	142,369	136,611	2,481	134,118	5,758	69,873	67.1	64.4	4.0
June	212,466	142,571	136,923	2,446	134,515	5,648	69,895	67.1	64.4	4.0
July	212,677	142,265	136,516	2,401	134,217	5,749	70,412	66.9	64.2	4.0
Aug	212,916	142,562	136,701	2,437	134,309	5,861	70,354	67.0	64.2	4.1
Sept	213,163	142,539	136,908	2,388	134,483	5,631	70,624	66.9	64.2	4.0
Oct	213,405	142,663	137,124	2,316	134,820	5,540	70,741	66.9	64.3	3.9
Nov	213,540	142,959	137,316	2,342	134,942	5,643	70,582	66.9	64.3	3.9
Dec	213,736	143,273	137,632	2,389	135,205	5,641	70,463	67.0	64.4	3.9
2001: Jan	213,888	143,787	137,790	2,349	135,407	5,997	70,101	67.2	64.4	4.2
Feb	214,110	143,652	137,581	2,359	135,249	6,072	70,458	67.1	64.3	4.2
Mar	214,305	143,873	137,738	2,340	135,320	6,136	70,432	67.1	64.3	4.3
Apr	214,525	143,549	137,275	2,335	134,989	6,274	70,976	66.9	64.0	4.4
May	214,732	143,290	137,063	2,357	134,699	6,227	71,442	66.7	63.8	4.3
June	214,950	143,323	136,842	2,092	134,725	6,481	71,627	66.7	63.7	4.5
July	215,180	143,674	137,091	2,297	134,859	6,583	71,505	66.8	63.7	4.6
Aug	215,420	143,372	136,314	2,314	133,967	7,057	72,048	66.6	63.3	4.9
Sept	215,665	144,020	136,869	2,327	134,565	7,151	71,646	66.8	63.5	5.0
Oct	215,903	144,171	136,447	2,315	134,141	7,723	71,732	66.8	63.2	5.4
Nov	216,117	144,254	136,234	2,228	134,011	8,020	71,863	66.7	63.0	5.6
Dec	216,315	144,369	136,078	2,289	133,770	8,291	71,946	66.7	62.9	5.7
2002: Jan	216,506	143,842	135,715	2,360	133,359	8,126	72,664	66.4	62.7	5.6
Feb	216,663	144,546	136,362	2,373	134,046	8,184	72,117	66.7	62.9	5.7
Mar	216,823	144,384	136,106	2,348	133,710	8,278	72,440	66.6	62.8	5.7
Apr	217,006	144,675	136,096	2,375	133,782	8,578	72,331	66.7	62.7	5.9
May	217,198	144,902	136,505	2,270	134,236	8,397	72,296	66.7	62.8	5.8
June	217,407	144,738	136,353	2,191	134,087	8,384	72,670	66.6	62.7	5.8
July	217,630	144,879	136,478	2,341	134,094	8,400	72,751	66.6	62.7	5.8
Aug	217,866	145,146	136,811	2,146	134,639	8,335	72,720	66.6	62.8	5.7
Sept	218,107	145,606	137,337	2,288	135,127	8,269	72,500	66.8	63.0	5.7
Oct	218,340	145,442	137,079	2,421	134,666	8,363	72,898	66.6	62.8	5.7
Nov	218,548	145,109	136,545	2,296	134,269	8,565	73,439	66.4	62.5	5.9
Dec	218,741	145,157	136,459	2,345	134,098	8,698	73,584	66.4	62.4	6.0
2003: Jan ⁵	219,897	145,875	137,447	2,301	135,176	8,428	74,022	66.3	62.5	5.8
Feb ⁵	220,114	145,898	137,318	2,205	135,166	8,581	74,216	66.3	62.4	5.9
Mar	220,317	145,818	137,300	2,235	135,054	8,519	74,499	66.2	62.3	5.8
Apr	220,540	146,377	137,578	2,162	135,486	8,799	74,163	66.4	62.4	6.0
May	220,768	146,462	137,505	2,194	135,311	8,957	74,306	66.3	62.3	6.1
June	221,014	146,917	137,673	2,229	135,348	9,245	74,097	66.5	62.3	6.3
July	221,252	146,652	137,604	2,217	135,240	9,048	74,600	66.3	62.2	6.2
Aug	221,507	146,622	137,693	2,327	135,282	8,929	74,884	66.2	62.2	6.1
Sept	221,779	146,610	137,644	2,341	135,401	8,966	75,168	66.1	62.1	6.1
Oct	222,039	146,892	138,095	2,410	135,722	8,797	75,147	66.2	62.2	6.0
Nov	222,279	147,187	138,533	2,418	136,172	8,653	75,093	66.2	62.3	5.9
Dec	222,509	146,878	138,479	2,245	136,180	8,398	75,631	66.0	62.2	5.7

⁵ Not strictly comparable with earlier data due to population adjustments or other changes. See *Employment and Earnings* for details on breaks in series.

⁶ Beginning in 2000, data for agricultural employment are for agricultural and related industries; data for this series and for non-agricultural employment are not strictly comparable with data for earlier years. Because of independent seasonal adjustment for these two series, monthly data will not add to total civilian employment.

Note.—Labor force data in Tables B-35 through B-44 are based on household interviews and relate to the calendar week including the 12th of the month. For definitions of terms, area samples used, historical comparability of the data, comparability with other series, etc., see *Employment and Earnings*.

Source: Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.