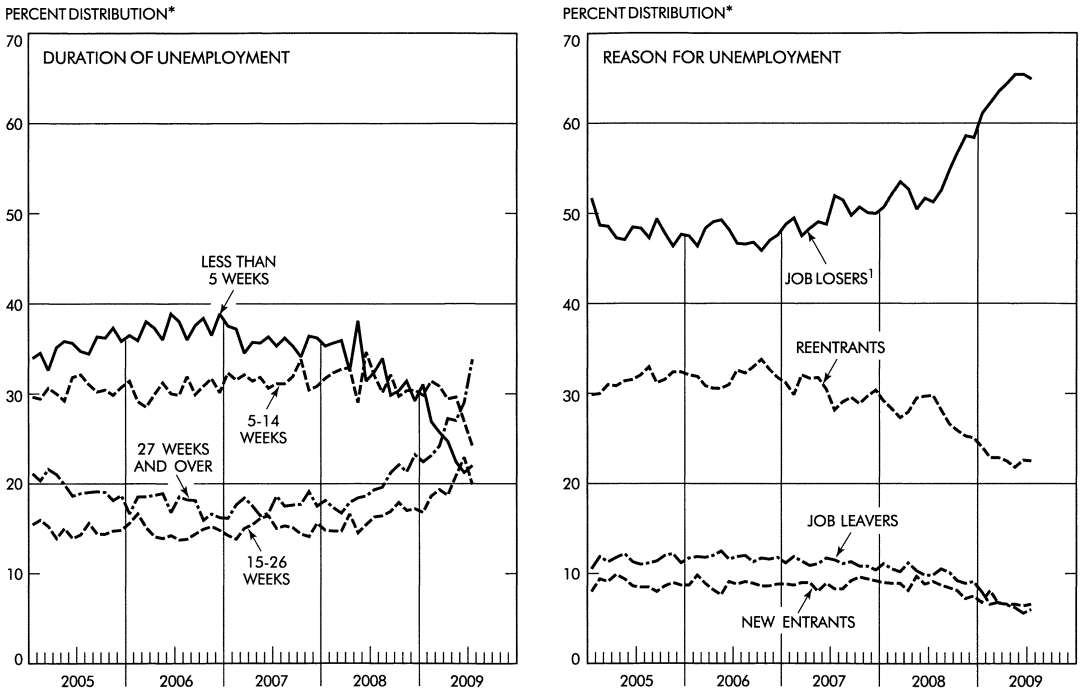
SELECTED MEASURES OF UNEMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE PROGRAMS

In July, the percentages of the unemployed who had been out of work for less than 5 weeks and for 27 weeks and over rose; the percentages for 5–14 weeks and for 15–26 weeks fell. The mean duration of unemployment rose to 25.1 weeks and the median duration fell to 15.7 weeks.



*SEASONALLY ADJUSTED
[1]BEGINNING JANUARY 1994, JOB LOSERS AND PERSONS WHO COMPLETED TEMPORARY JOBS.
SOURCE: DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

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[Monthly data seasonally adjusted, except as noted]

Period	Unemployment (thousands)	Duration of unemployment: Percent distribution: Less than 5 weeks	5–14 weeks	15–26 weeks	27 weeks and over	Duration of unemployment: Number of weeks: Average (mean)	Median	Reason for unemployment: percent distribution: Job losers [1]	Job leavers	Reentrants	New entrants	State programs: Insured unemployment	Initial claims	Insured unemployment, all regular programs (unadjusted) [2]
												Weekly average, thousands		
1999	5,880	43.7	31.2	12.8	12.3	13.4	6.4	44.6	13.3	34.1	8.0	2,188	298	2,219
2000	5,692	44.9	31.9	11.8	11.4	12.6	5.9	44.2	13.7	34.5	7.6	2,110	301	2,141
2001	6,801	42.0	32.3	14.0	11.8	13.1	6.8	51.1	12.3	29.9	6.8	2,974	404	3,007
2002	8,378	34.5	30.8	16.3	18.3	16.6	9.1	55.0	10.3	28.3	6.4	3,585	407	3,619
2003	8,774	31.7	29.8	16.4	22.1	19.2	10.1	55.1	9.3	28.2	7.3	3,531	404	3,569
2004	8,149	33.1	29.2	15.9	21.8	19.6	9.8	51.5	10.5	29.5	8.4	2,950	345	2,995
2005	7,591	35.1	30.4	14.9	19.6	18.4	8.9	48.3	11.5	31.4	8.8	2,661	328	2,706
2006	7,001	37.3	30.3	14.7	17.6	16.8	8.3	47.4	11.8	32.0	8.8	2,476	313	2,518
2007	7,078	35.9	31.5	15.0	17.6	16.8	8.5	49.7	11.2	30.3	8.9	2,572	324	2,610
2008	8,924	32.8	31.4	16.0	19.7	17.9	9.4	53.7	10.0	27.7	8.6	3,306	424	3,343
2008: July	8,910	32.4	32.0	16.3	19.3	17.3	9.8	51.3	9.8	29.8	9.1	3,276	412	3,006
Aug	9,550	33.9	30.1	16.4	19.6	17.6	9.3	52.6	10.5	28.2	8.7	3,460	441	3,179
Sept	9,592	29.8	32.1	16.9	21.2	18.7	10.3	54.9	10.1	26.6	8.4	3,620	471	3,164
Oct	10,221	30.3	29.7	17.9	22.1	19.8	10.6	56.8	9.2	25.9	8.1	3,821	480	2,980
Nov	10,476	31.4	30.3	17.0	21.3	18.9	10.0	58.6	8.9	25.3	7.2	4,125	520	3,819
Dec	11,108	29.2	30.4	17.2	23.2	19.7	10.6	58.4	9.1	25.1	7.5	4,430	537	4,778
2009: Jan	11,616	31.0	29.8	16.8	22.4	19.8	10.3	61.1	8.0	24.1	6.8	4,670	573	r5,375
Feb	12,467	26.9	31.4	18.6	23.1	19.8	11.0	62.3	6.6	22.9	8.1	5,085	637	r6,098
Mar	13,161	25.7	30.8	19.3	24.2	20.1	11.2	63.5	6.8	22.9	6.7	5,686	658	6,925
Apr	13,724	24.7	29.4	18.7	27.2	21.4	12.5	64.4	6.5	22.5	6.6	6,297	630	6,046
May	14,511	22.4	29.6	20.9	27.0	22.5	14.9	65.4	6.2	21.8	6.6	6,747	631	6,245
June	14,729	21.2	26.9	22.9	29.0	24.5	17.9	65.4	5.6	22.6	6.4	6,732	r612	.....
July	14,462	22.0	24.2	19.9	33.8	25.1	15.7	64.9	6.0	22.5	6.6	.....	p557	.....

[1] Beginning January 1994, job losers and persons who completed temporary jobs.

[2] Includes State (50 States, District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and Virgin Islands), ex-servicemen (UCX), and Federal (UCFE). Also includes Federal and State extended benefit programs. Does not include Railroad (RR) program, Federal supplemental compensation or Emergency Unemployment Compensation programs.

NOTE.—Data relate to persons age 16 years and over (except for insured unemployment and initial claims).

Source: Department of Labor (Bureau of Labor Statistics and Employment and Training Administration).

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