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	Nonagricultural					
	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
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.

See next page for continuation of table.

AUTHENTICATED U.S. GOVERNMENT INFORMATION GPO

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	Nonagricultural					
	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.