TABLE B–40.—*Civilian unemployment rate, 1950–99*

[Percent;[1] monthly data seasonally adjusted]

Year or month	All civilian workers	Males			Females			Both sexes 16–19 years	White	Black and other	Black	Experienced wage and salary workers	Married men, spouse present[2]	Women who maintain families
		Total	16–19 years	20 years and over	Total	16–19 years	20 years and over							
1950	5.3	5.1	12.7	4.7	5.7	11.4	5.1	12.2	4.9	9.0	.....	6.0	4.6	.....
1951	3.3	2.8	8.1	2.5	4.4	8.3	4.0	8.2	3.1	5.3	.....	3.7	1.5	.....
1952	3.0	2.8	8.9	2.4	3.6	8.0	3.2	8.5	2.8	5.4	.....	3.4	1.4	.....
1953	2.9	2.8	7.9	2.5	3.3	7.2	2.9	7.6	2.7	4.5	.....	3.2	1.7	.....
1954	5.5	5.3	13.5	4.9	6.0	11.4	5.5	12.6	5.0	9.9	.....	6.2	4.0	.....
1955	4.4	4.2	11.6	3.8	4.9	10.2	4.4	11.0	3.9	8.7	.....	4.8	2.6	.....
1956	4.1	3.8	11.1	3.4	4.8	11.2	4.2	11.1	3.6	8.3	.....	4.4	2.3	.....
1957	4.3	4.1	12.4	3.6	4.7	10.6	4.1	11.6	3.8	7.9	.....	4.6	2.8	.....
1958	6.8	6.8	17.1	6.2	6.8	14.3	6.1	15.9	6.1	12.6	.....	7.3	5.1	.....
1959	5.5	5.2	15.3	4.7	5.9	13.5	5.2	14.6	4.8	10.7	.....	5.7	3.6	.....
1960	5.5	5.4	15.3	4.7	5.9	13.9	5.1	14.7	5.0	10.2	.....	5.7	3.7	.....
1961	6.7	6.4	17.1	5.7	7.2	16.3	6.3	16.8	6.0	12.4	.....	6.8	4.6	.....
1962	5.5	5.2	14.7	4.6	6.2	14.6	5.4	14.7	4.9	10.9	.....	5.6	3.6	.....
1963	5.7	5.2	17.2	4.5	6.5	17.2	5.4	17.2	5.0	10.8	.....	5.6	3.4	.....
1964	5.2	4.6	15.8	3.9	6.2	16.6	5.2	16.2	4.6	9.6	.....	5.0	2.8	.....
1965	4.5	4.0	14.1	3.2	5.5	15.7	4.5	14.8	4.1	8.1	.....	4.3	2.4	.....
1966	3.8	3.2	11.7	2.5	4.8	14.1	3.8	12.8	3.4	7.3	.....	3.5	1.9	.....
1967	3.8	3.1	12.3	2.3	5.2	13.5	4.2	12.9	3.4	7.4	.....	3.6	1.8	4.9
1968	3.6	2.9	11.6	2.2	4.8	14.0	3.8	12.7	3.2	6.7	.....	3.4	1.6	4.4
1969	3.5	2.8	11.4	2.1	4.7	13.3	3.7	12.2	3.1	6.4	.....	3.3	1.5	4.4
1970	4.9	4.4	15.0	3.5	5.9	15.6	4.8	15.3	4.5	8.2	.....	4.8	2.6	5.4
1971	5.9	5.3	16.6	4.4	6.9	17.2	5.7	16.9	5.4	9.9	.....	5.7	3.2	7.3
1972	5.6	5.0	15.9	4.0	6.6	16.7	5.4	16.2	5.1	10.0	10.4	5.3	2.8	7.2
1973	4.9	4.2	13.9	3.3	6.0	15.3	4.9	14.5	4.3	9.0	9.4	4.5	2.3	7.1
1974	5.6	4.9	15.6	3.8	6.7	16.6	5.5	16.0	5.0	9.9	10.5	5.3	2.7	7.0
1975	8.5	7.9	20.1	6.8	9.3	19.7	8.0	19.9	7.8	13.8	14.8	8.2	5.1	10.0
1976	7.7	7.1	19.2	5.9	8.6	18.7	7.4	19.0	7.0	13.1	14.0	7.3	4.2	10.1
1977	7.1	6.3	17.3	5.2	8.2	18.3	7.0	17.8	6.2	13.1	14.0	6.6	3.6	9.4
1978	6.1	5.3	15.8	4.3	7.2	17.1	6.0	16.4	5.2	11.9	12.8	5.6	2.8	8.5
1979	5.8	5.1	15.9	4.2	6.8	16.4	5.7	16.1	5.1	11.3	12.3	5.5	2.8	8.3
1980	7.1	6.9	18.3	5.9	7.4	17.2	6.4	17.8	6.3	13.1	14.3	6.9	4.2	9.2
1981	7.6	7.4	20.1	6.3	7.9	19.0	6.8	19.6	6.7	14.2	15.6	7.3	4.3	10.4
1982	9.7	9.9	24.4	8.8	9.4	21.9	8.3	23.2	8.6	17.3	18.9	9.3	6.5	11.7
1983	9.6	9.9	23.3	8.9	9.2	21.3	8.1	22.4	8.4	17.8	19.5	9.2	6.5	12.2
1984	7.5	7.4	19.6	6.6	7.6	18.0	6.8	18.9	6.5	14.4	15.9	7.1	4.6	10.3
1985	7.2	7.0	19.5	6.2	7.4	17.6	6.6	18.6	6.2	13.7	15.1	6.8	4.3	10.4
1986	7.0	6.9	19.0	6.1	7.1	17.6	6.2	18.3	6.0	13.1	14.5	6.6	4.4	9.8
1987	6.2	6.2	17.8	5.4	6.2	15.9	5.4	16.9	5.3	11.6	13.0	5.8	3.9	9.2
1988	5.5	5.5	16.0	4.8	5.6	14.4	4.9	15.3	4.7	10.4	11.7	5.2	3.3	8.1
1989	5.3	5.2	15.9	4.5	5.4	14.0	4.7	15.0	4.5	10.0	11.4	5.0	3.0	8.1
1990	5.6	5.7	16.3	5.0	5.5	14.7	4.9	15.5	4.8	10.1	11.4	5.3	3.4	8.3
1991	6.8	7.2	19.8	6.4	6.4	17.5	5.7	18.7	6.1	11.1	12.5	6.6	4.4	9.3
1992	7.5	7.9	21.5	7.1	7.0	18.6	6.3	20.1	6.6	12.7	14.2	7.2	5.1	10.0
1993	6.9	7.2	20.4	6.4	6.6	17.5	5.9	19.0	6.1	11.7	13.0	6.6	4.4	9.7
1994	6.1	6.2	19.0	5.4	6.0	16.2	5.4	17.6	5.3	10.5	11.5	5.9	3.7	8.9
1995	5.6	5.6	18.4	4.8	5.6	16.1	4.9	17.3	4.9	9.6	10.4	5.4	3.3	8.0
1996	5.4	5.4	18.1	4.6	5.4	15.2	4.8	16.7	4.7	9.3	10.5	5.2	3.0	8.2
1997	4.9	4.9	16.9	4.2	5.0	15.0	4.4	16.0	4.2	8.8	10.0	4.7	2.7	8.1
1998	4.5	4.4	16.2	3.7	4.6	12.9	4.1	14.6	3.9	7.8	8.9	4.3	2.4	7.2
1999	4.2	4.1	14.7	3.5	4.3	13.2	3.8	13.9	3.7	7.0	8.0	4.0	2.2	6.4
1998: Jan	4.7	4.5	15.8	3.8	4.8	11.8	4.4	13.8	4.0	8.2	9.5	4.5	2.5	7.7
Feb	4.6	4.5	16.9	3.8	4.8	12.3	4.2	14.7	4.0	8.1	9.3	4.4	2.5	7.5
Mar	4.7	4.7	16.3	3.9	4.8	13.3	4.2	14.8	4.1	8.1	9.2	4.5	2.5	7.5
Apr	4.3	4.2	14.2	3.6	4.6	12.7	4.0	13.5	3.7	7.7	9.1	4.1	2.2	7.5
May	4.4	4.3	16.4	3.6	4.5	12.9	4.0	14.7	3.8	7.7	9.0	4.3	2.3	7.5
June	4.5	4.4	16.0	3.7	4.6	13.7	4.0	14.9	3.9	7.7	8.7	4.3	2.3	7.0
July	4.5	4.5	16.3	3.8	4.5	12.7	3.9	14.6	3.8	8.1	9.4	4.3	2.3	6.9
Aug	4.5	4.4	16.1	3.7	4.6	13.6	4.0	14.9	3.9	7.6	8.9	4.4	2.3	6.8
Sept	4.5	4.5	17.1	3.7	4.5	12.6	4.0	14.9	3.9	7.8	8.9	4.4	2.3	7.5
Oct	4.5	4.3	16.7	3.6	4.7	14.5	4.0	15.6	3.9	7.6	8.5	4.3	2.3	6.9
Nov	4.4	4.2	16.1	3.5	4.6	13.3	4.0	14.8	3.8	7.5	8.6	4.2	2.3	6.9
Dec	4.4	4.3	16.0	3.6	4.4	11.8	3.9	14.0	3.8	7.0	7.8	4.1	2.3	6.3
1999: Jan	4.3	4.2	16.4	3.5	4.4	13.7	3.8	15.1	3.8	6.9	7.8	4.1	2.3	6.3
Feb	4.4	4.3	14.9	3.7	4.4	13.4	3.8	14.2	3.8	7.3	8.2	4.1	2.4	6.5
Mar	4.2	4.0	15.0	3.3	4.5	13.4	3.9	14.2	3.6	7.2	8.0	4.1	2.1	6.6
Apr	4.3	4.1	14.8	3.5	4.6	13.4	4.0	14.1	3.8	7.0	7.8	4.2	2.3	7.1
May	4.2	4.2	13.9	3.6	4.2	12.2	3.7	13.1	3.7	6.8	7.6	4.1	2.3	6.0
June	4.3	4.1	14.3	3.5	4.4	13.0	3.8	13.6	3.8	6.7	7.6	4.1	2.2	6.5
July	4.3	4.1	13.8	3.5	4.4	12.6	3.9	13.2	3.7	7.2	8.6	4.1	2.3	6.4
Aug	4.2	4.1	13.9	3.5	4.3	13.2	3.7	13.5	3.7	6.8	7.8	4.0	2.3	6.3
Sept	4.2	4.0	14.6	3.4	4.3	14.7	3.7	14.6	3.6	7.2	8.3	4.0	2.2	6.4
Oct	4.1	4.1	14.2	3.5	4.2	13.4	3.5	13.8	3.5	7.2	8.3	3.9	2.2	6.0
Nov	4.1	4.0	14.9	3.3	4.2	13.0	3.6	14.0	3.5	7.1	8.0	3.9	2.1	6.0
Dec	4.1	4.0	15.2	3.3	4.1	12.2	3.6	13.8	3.5	7.0	7.9	3.9	2.2	6.2

[1] Unemployed as percent of civilian labor force in group specified.
[2] Data for 1950 are for March; data for 1951–54 are for April.

Note.—Data relate to persons 16 years of age and over.
See footnote 5 and Note, Table B–33.

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