

# Labor Market Indicators

TABLE B–22. Civilian labor force, 1929–2024  
[Monthly data seasonally adjusted, except as noted]

Year or month	Civilian noninstitutional population <sup>1</sup>	Civilian labor force					Not in labor force	Civilian labor force participation rate <sup>2</sup>	Civilian employment/population ratio <sup>3</sup>	Unemployment rate, civilian workers <sup>4</sup>				
		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				
1930 .....		49,820	45,480	10,340	35,140	4,340				8.7				
1931 .....		50,420	42,400	10,290	32,110	8,020				15.9				
1932 .....		51,000	38,940	10,170	28,770	12,060				23.6				
1933 .....		51,590	38,760	10,090	28,670	12,830				24.9				
1934 .....		52,230	40,890	9,900	30,990	11,340				21.7				
1935 .....		52,870	42,260	10,110	32,150	10,610				20.1				
1936 .....		53,440	44,410	10,000	34,410	9,030				16.9				
1937 .....		54,000	46,300	9,820	36,480	7,700				14.3				
1938 .....		54,610	44,220	9,690	34,530	10,390				19.0				
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	5,660	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 .....	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 .....	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 .....	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 .....	144,126	87,034	82,153	3,484	78,669	4,882	57,091	60.4	57.0	4.6				
1973 .....	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 .....	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	57.9	9.7				
1983 .....	174,215	111,550	100,834	3,383	97,450	10,717	62,665	64.0	57.8	9.6				
1984 .....	176,383	113,544	105,005											

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Thousands of persons 16 years of age and over							Percent							
1990 .....	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 .....	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 .....	203,133	136,297	129,558	3,399	126,159	6,739	66,837	67.1	63.8	4.9				
1998 .....	205,220	137,673	131,463	3,378	128,085	6,210	67,547	67.1	64.1	4.5				
1999 .....	207,753	139,368	133,488	3,281	130,207	5,885	68,385	67.1	64.3	4.2				
2000 <sup>5</sup> .....	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				
2004 .....	223,357	147,401	139,252	2,232	137,020	8,149	75,956	66.0	62.3	5.5				
2005 .....	226,082	149,320	141,730	2,197	139,532	7,591	76,762	66.0	62.7	5.1				
2006 .....	228,815	151,428	144,427	2,206	142,221	7,001	77,387	66.2	63.1	4.6				
2007 .....	231,867	153,124	146,047	2,095	143,952	7,078	78,743	66.0	63.0	4.6				
2008 .....	233,788	154,287	145,362	2,168	143,194	8,924	79,501	66.0	62.2	5.8				
2009 .....	235,801	154,142	139,877	2,103	137,775	14,265	81,659	65.4	59.3	9.3				
2010 .....	237,830	153,889	139,064	2,206	136,858	14,825	83,941	64.7	58.5	9.6				
2011 .....	239,618	153,617	139,869	2,254	137,615	13,747	86,001	64.1	58.4	8.9				
2012 .....	243,284	154,975	142,469	2,186	140,283	12,506	88,310	63.7	58.6	8.1				
2013 .....	245,679	155,389	143,929	2,130	141,799	11,460	90,290	63.2	58.6	7.4				
2014 .....	247,947	155,922	146,305	2,237	144,068	9,617	92,025	62.9	59.0	6.2				
2015 .....	250,801	157,130	148,834	2,422	146,411	8,296	93,671	62.7	59.3	5.3				
2016 .....	253,538	159,187	151,436	2,460	148,976	7,751	94,351	62.8	59.7	4.9				
2017 .....	255,079	160,320	153,337	2,454	150,883	6,982	94,759	62.9	60.1	4.4				
2018 .....	257,791	162,075	155,761	2,425	153,336	6,314	95,716	62.9	60.4	3.9				
2019 .....	259,175	163,539	157,538	2,425	155,113	6,001	95,636	63.1	60.8	3.7				
2020 .....	260,329	160,742	147,795	2,349	145,446	12,947	99,587	61.7	56.8	8.1				
2021 .....	261,445	161,204	152,581	2,291	150,290	8,623	100,241	61.7	58.4	5.3				
2022 .....	263,973	164,287	158,291	2,290	156,001	5,996	99,686	62.2	60.0	3.6				
2023 .....	266,942	167,116	161,037	2,264	158,772	6,080	99,826	62.6	60.3	3.6				
2023: Jan .....	265,962	165,871	160,152	2,249	157,663	5,719	100,090	62.4	60.2	3.4				
Feb .....	266,112	166,263	160,301	2,343	157,797	5,962	99,849	62.5	60.2	3.6				
Mar .....	266,272	166,690	160,824	2,223	158,332	5,866	99,582	62.6	60.4	3.5				
Apr .....	266,443	166,678	160,962	2,295	158,615	5,715	99,766	62.6	60.4	3.4				
May .....	266,618	166,823	160,707	2,293	158,491	6,117	99,795	62.6	60.3	3.7				
June .....	266,801	167,000	161,004	2,299	158,886	5,997	99,801	62.6	60.3	3.6				
July .....	267,002	167,113	161,209	2,251	159,089	5,904	99,889	62.6	60.4	3.5				
Aug .....	267,213	167,840	161,500	2,279	159,275	6,340	99,374	62.8	60.4	3.8				
Sept .....	267,428	167,897	161,550	2,286	159,306	6,347	99,531	62.8	60.4	3.8				
Oct .....	267,642	167,723	161,280	2,201	159,166	6,443	99,919	62.7	60.3	3.8				
Nov .....	267,822	168,127	161,866	2,262	159,578	6,262	99,695	62.8	60.4	3.7				
Dec .....	267,991	167,451	161,183	2,205	158,993	6,268	100,540	62.5	60.1	3.7				
2024: Jan .....	267,540	167,276	161,152	2,184	158,735	6,124	100,265	62.5	60.2	3.7				
Feb .....	267,711	167,426	160,968	2,201	158,601	6,458	100,285	62.5	60.1	3.9				
Mar .....	267,884	167,895	161,466	2,217	158,970	6,429	99,989	62.7	60.3	3.8				
Apr .....	268,066	167,982	161,491	2,246	159,161	6,492	100,083	62.7	60.2	3.9				
May .....	268,248	167,732	161,083	2,221	158,919	6,649	100,516	62.5	60.1	4.0				
June .....	268,438	168,009	161,199	2,379	158,984	6,811	100,429	62.6	60.1	4.1				
July .....	268,644	168,429	161,266	2,273	159,100	7,163	100,215	62.7	60.0	4.3				
Aug .....	268,856	168,549	161,434	2,327	159									