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VOLUNTEERING IN THE UNITED STATES, 2005

About 65.4 million people volunteered through or for an organization at least once between September 2004 and September 2005, the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor reported today. The proportion of the population who volunteered was 28.8 percent, the same as in each of the prior 2 years.

These data on volunteering were collected through a supplement to the September 2005 Current Population Survey (CPS). Volunteers are defined as persons who did unpaid work (except for expenses) through or for an organization. The CPS is a monthly survey of about 60,000 households that obtains information on employment and unemployment among the nation's civilian noninstitutional population age 16 and over. For more information about the volunteer supplement, see the Technical Note.

Volunteering Among Demographic Groups

One-fourth of men and about one-third of women did volunteer work in the year ended in September 2005, about the same proportions as in the 2 prior years. Women volunteered at a higher rate than men across age groups, educational levels, and other major characteristics. (See tables A and 1.)

By age, persons age 35 to 44 were the most likely to volunteer (34.5 percent), closely followed by 45- to 54-year olds (32.7 percent). Teenagers also had a relatively high volunteer rate, 30.4 percent, perhaps reflecting an emphasis on volunteer activities in schools. Volunteer rates were lowest among persons in their early twenties (19.5 percent) and among those age 65 and over (24.8 percent). Within the latter group, volunteer rates decreased as age increased.

Whites volunteered at a higher rate (30.4 percent) than did blacks (22.1 percent) and Asians (20.7 percent). Among Hispanics or Latinos, 15.4 percent volunteered.

Married persons volunteered at a higher rate (34.1 percent) than never-married persons (23.0 percent) and persons of other marital statuses (23.1 percent). Parents with children under age 18 were more likely to volunteer than persons without children of that age, 37.0 percent compared with 25.5 percent.

Among employed persons, 31.3 percent had volunteered during the year ended in September 2005. By comparison, the volunteer rates of persons who were unemployed (26.4 percent) or not in the labor force (24.4 percent) were lower. Among the employed, part-time workers were more likely than full-time workers to have participated in volunteer activities—38.2 versus 29.8 percent.

Table A. Volunteers by selected characteristics, September 2002–05

(Numbers in thousands)

Characteristic	September 2002		September 2003		September 2004		September 2005	
	Number	Percent of population	Number	Percent of population	Number	Percent of population	Number	Percent of population
Sex								
Total, both sexes.....	59,783	27.4	63,791	28.8	64,542	28.8	65,357	28.8
Men.....	24,706	23.6	26,805	25.1	27,011	25.0	27,370	25.0
Women.....	35,076	31.0	36,987	32.2	37,530	32.4	37,987	32.4
Age								
Total, 16 years and over.....	59,783	27.4	63,791	28.8	64,542	28.8	65,357	28.8
16 to 24 years.....	7,742	21.9	8,671	24.1	8,821	24.2	8,955	24.4
25 to 34 years.....	9,574	24.8	10,337	26.5	10,046	25.8	9,881	25.3
35 to 44 years.....	14,971	34.1	15,165	34.7	14,783	34.2	14,809	34.5
45 to 54 years.....	12,477	31.3	13,302	32.7	13,584	32.8	13,826	32.7
55 to 64 years.....	7,331	27.5	8,170	29.2	8,784	30.1	9,173	30.2
65 years and over.....	7,687	22.7	8,146	23.7	8,524	24.6	8,712	24.8
Race and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity								
White ¹	52,591	29.2	55,572	30.6	55,892	30.5	56,170	30.4
Black or African American ¹	4,896	19.1	5,145	20.0	5,435	20.8	5,879	22.1
Asian ¹	(2)	(2)	1,735	18.7	1,832	19.3	2,055	20.7
Hispanic or Latino ethnicity.....	4,059	15.5	4,364	15.7	4,102	14.5	4,511	15.4
Educational attainment ³								
Less than a high school diploma.....	2,806	10.1	2,793	9.9	2,718	9.6	2,837	10.0
High school graduates, no college ⁴	12,542	21.2	12,882	21.7	12,709	21.6	12,594	21.2
Less than a bachelor's degree ⁵	15,066	32.8	15,966	34.1	16,414	34.2	16,452	33.7
College graduates.....	21,627	43.3	23,481	45.6	23,880	45.7	24,517	45.8
Employment status								
Civilian labor force.....	42,773	29.3	45,499	30.9	45,896	30.9	46,872	31.1
Employed.....	40,742	29.5	43,138	31.2	43,886	31.2	44,894	31.3
Full time ⁶	32,210	28.3	33,599	29.6	34,237	29.6	35,225	29.8
Part time ⁷	8,532	35.4	9,539	38.4	9,649	38.5	9,669	38.2
Unemployed.....	2,031	25.1	2,361	26.7	2,010	25.6	1,978	26.4
Not in the labor force.....	17,010	23.7	18,293	24.6	18,646	24.7	18,485	24.4

¹ Beginning in 2003, persons who selected this race group only; persons who selected more than one race group are not included. Prior to 2003, persons who reported more than one race group were included in the group they identified as the main race.

² Data for Asians were not tabulated in 2002.

³ Data refer to persons 25 years and over.

⁴ Includes high school diploma or equivalent.

⁵ Includes the categories, some college, no degree; and associate degree.

⁶ Usually work 35 hours or more a week at all jobs.

⁷ Usually work less than 35 hours a week at all jobs.

NOTE: Estimates for the above race groups (white, black or African American, and Asian) do not sum to totals because data are not presented for all races. In addition, persons whose ethnicity is identified as Hispanic or Latino may be of any race and, therefore, are classified by ethnicity as well as by race. Due to the introduction of revised population controls in January 2003, 2004, and 2005, estimated levels for 2003, 2004, and 2005 are not strictly comparable with each other or with those for 2002. See the Technical Note for further information.

Total Annual Hours Spent Volunteering

Volunteers spent a median of 50 hours on volunteer activities during the period from September 2004 to September 2005. This was down slightly from the level in the three previous surveys. Men spent 52 hours volunteering and women spent 50 hours. Median annual hours spent on volunteer activities ranged from a high of 96 hours for volunteers age 65 and over to a low of 36 hours for those 16 to 19 and 25 to 34 years old. (See table 2.)

Number and Type of Organizations

Most volunteers were involved with one or two organizations—69.6 and 18.9 percent, respectively. Individuals with higher educational attainment were more likely to volunteer for multiple organizations than were individuals with less education. Parents also were more likely to volunteer for more than one organization than persons with no own children under 18. (See table 3.)

The main organization—the organization for which the volunteer worked the most hours during the year—was most frequently either religious (34.8 percent of all volunteers) or educational/youth service related (26.2 percent). Another 13.4 percent of volunteers performed activities mainly for social or community service organizations. (See table 4.)

Older volunteers were more likely to work mainly for religious organizations than were their younger counterparts. For example, 45.0 percent of volunteers age 65 and over performed volunteer activities mainly through or for a religious organization, compared with 27.5 percent of volunteers age 16 to 24 years. Younger individuals were more likely to volunteer through or for educational or youth service organizations.

Among volunteers with children under 18 years old, 45.2 percent of mothers and 36.1 percent of fathers volunteered mainly for an educational/youth service-related organization, such as a school or sports team. Parents were more than twice as likely to volunteer for such organizations as persons with no children of that age—51.5 and 21.6 percent, respectively. Conversely, volunteers with no children under 18 were considerably more likely to volunteer for some other types of organizations, such as hospitals or other health organizations and social or community service organizations.

Volunteer Activities for Main Organization

Volunteers were able to report more than one activity that they had performed for their main organization. Fundraising was the most commonly reported activity (29.7 percent), followed by collecting, preparing, distributing, or serving food (26.3 percent), engaging in general labor or supplying transportation to people (22.5 percent), and tutoring or teaching (21.3 percent). (See table 5.)

Educational attainment influenced the types of activities volunteers performed. People with higher levels of educational attainment were more likely to provide professional or management assistance, tutor or teach, mentor youth, coach, referee, or supervise sports teams, or provide counseling, medical care, fire/EMS, or protective services. They were less likely to collect, prepare, distribute, or serve food, or be an usher, greeter, or minister.

Parents were considerably more likely than those without children to engage in several types of volunteer activities—fundraising, tutoring or teaching, mentoring youth, and coaching, refereeing, or supervising sports teams. This may be because parents often volunteer for organizations in which their children are involved.

How Volunteers Became Involved with Main Organization

Two in five volunteers became involved with the main organization for which they did volunteer work on their own initiative; that is, they approached the organization. A slightly larger proportion, almost 43 percent, was asked to volunteer, most often by someone in the organization. (See table 6.)

Reasons for Not Volunteering

Among those who had volunteered at some point in the past, the most common reason given for not volunteering in the year ended September 2005 was lack of time (45.6 percent), followed by health or medical problems (15.2 percent), and family responsibilities or childcare problems (9.3 percent). Lack of time was the most common reason for persons in all age groups except those age 65 and over, who reported health or medical problems as the primary reason. (See table 7.)

Technical Note

The data in this release were collected through a supplement to the September 2005 Current Population Survey (CPS). The CPS—a monthly survey of about 60,000 households conducted by the U.S. Census Bureau for the Bureau of Labor Statistics—focuses on obtaining information on employment and unemployment among the nation’s civilian noninstitutional population age 16 and over. The purpose of this supplement to the CPS was to obtain information on the incidence of volunteering and the characteristics of volunteers in the United States.

In January 2003, 2004, and 2005, the Census Bureau introduced adjustments to the population controls for the CPS as part of its annual update of population estimates. The 2003 adjustment resulted in an increase to the estimates for all population categories. This increase was partly offset by downward adjustments in 2004 and 2005. Consequently, estimated levels of volunteers for September 2003, 2004, and 2005 are not strictly comparable with one another, or with estimated levels for September 2002. These adjustments to the levels, however, should have had only negligible effects on the volunteer rates. In addition to the population control adjustments, new questions on race and ethnicity were introduced into the CPS in January 2003. For a discussion of the changes introduced into the CPS in January 2003, see “Revisions to the Current Population Survey Effective in January 2003,” in the February 2003 issue of *Employment and Earnings*, available at <http://www.bls.gov/cps/rvcp03.pdf> on the BLS Web site. For a discussion of the changes introduced in January 2004, see “Adjustments to Household Survey Population Estimates in January 2004,” in the February 2004 issue of *Employment and Earnings*, available on the BLS Web site at <http://www.bls.gov/cps/cps04adj.pdf>. For a discussion of the changes introduced in January 2005, see “Adjustments to Household Survey Population Estimates in January 2005,” in the February 2005 issue of *Employment and Earnings*, available on the BLS Web site at <http://www.bls.gov/cps/cps05adj.pdf>.

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Reliability of the estimates

Statistics based on the CPS are subject to both sampling and nonsampling error. When a sample, rather than the entire population, is surveyed, there is a chance that the sample estimates may differ from the “true” population values they represent. The exact difference, or *sampling error*, varies depending on the particular sample selected, and this variability is measured by the standard error of the estimate. There is about a 90-percent chance, or level of confidence, that an estimate based on a sample will differ by no more than 1.6 standard errors from the “true” population value because of sampling error. BLS

analyses are generally conducted at the 90-percent level of confidence.

The CPS data also are affected by *nonsampling error*. Nonsampling error can occur for many reasons, including the failure to sample a segment of the population, inability to obtain information for all respondents in the sample, inability or unwillingness of respondents to provide correct information, and errors made in the collection or processing of the data.

For a full discussion of the reliability of data from the CPS and for information on estimating standard errors, see the “Explanatory Notes and Estimates of Error” section of *Employment and Earnings*.

Volunteer questions and concepts

In the September 2005 supplement, questions on volunteer activities were asked of all households. Efforts were made to have household members answer the volunteer questions for themselves. (Generally, one member of the household answers all the questions in the CPS on behalf of the entire household.) Self-response was considered important for the volunteer supplement because research indicated that self-respondents could more easily answer questions on the characteristics of the volunteer activity. About 70 percent of the responses were self-reports.

The survey was introduced as follows: “This month, we are interested in volunteer activities, that is, activities for which people are not paid, except perhaps expenses. We only want you to include volunteer activities that you did through or for an organization, even if you only did them once in a while.”

Following this introduction, respondents were asked the first supplement question: “Since September 1st of last year, have you done any volunteer activities through or for an organization?”

If respondents did not answer “yes” to the first question, they were asked the following question: “Sometimes people don’t think of activities they do infrequently or activities they do for children’s schools or youth organizations as volunteer activities. Since September 1st of last year, have you done any of these types of volunteer activities?”

Respondents were considered volunteers if they answered “yes” to either of these questions.

Respondents thus classified as volunteers were asked further questions about the number and type of organizations for which they volunteered, total hours spent volunteering, how they became involved with the main organization for which they volunteered, and the type of activities they performed for the main organization. Non-volunteers were asked about why they didn’t volunteer and if they had ever volunteered.

The reference period for the questions on volunteering was about 1 year, from September 1, 2004, through the survey

week in September 2005. The reference period for other characteristics, such as labor force status, educational attainment, and marital status, refer to the survey reference week in September 2005. It is possible that these characteristics were different at the time volunteer activities were performed.

Definitions

Volunteers are persons who performed unpaid volunteer activities at any point from September 1, 2004, through the survey period in September 2005. The count of volunteers only includes persons who volunteered through or for an organization; the figures do not include persons who volunteered in a more informal manner. For example, a woman who taught acting to children through a local theater would be considered a volunteer. However, a woman who, on her own, organized softball games for the children in her neighborhood would not be counted as a volunteer for the purpose of this survey.

Organizations are associations, societies, or groups of people who share a common interest. Examples include churches, youth groups, and civic organizations. For the purpose of this study, organizations are grouped into eight major categories, including religious, youth, and social or community service organizations. (See table 4.)

One new organization category, immigrant/refugee assistance, was added to the questionnaire as a possible response this year. Responses that were collected in this category may have been distributed over at least six of the

major organization categories in previous years. For this reason, the addition of the new response category created a break in the comparability of organizations between 2005 and prior years. Because few people reported volunteering for immigrant/refugee assistance organizations and because the group was not a definite subset of any of the major organization categories, those persons who did report that they volunteered for immigrant/refugee assistance organizations were placed in the "other" group.

The *main organization* is the organization for which the volunteer worked the most hours during the year. If a respondent volunteered for only one organization, it was considered the main organization, even if exact hours were not obtained.

In order to identify the type of main organization, respondents had to provide information about the organization and, for those who volunteered for more than one organization, annual hours worked for each. Some respondents did not provide the information necessary to determine the type of main organization. For these respondents, the follow-up questions on activities and how they became involved with the main organization asked them to report on the organization for which they think they spent the most time volunteering.

Activities are the specific tasks the volunteer did for an organization. Examples include tutoring, fundraising, and serving food. The activity categories were modified this year; thus, the data on activities are not directly comparable with those for prior years.

Table 1. Volunteers by selected characteristics, September 2005

(Numbers in thousands)

Characteristics in September 2005	Total, both sexes			Men			Women		
	Civilian noninstitutional population	Volunteers		Civilian noninstitutional population	Volunteers		Civilian noninstitutional population	Volunteers	
		Number	Percent of population		Number	Percent of population		Number	Percent of population
Age									
Total, 16 years and over	226,693	65,357	28.8	109,475	27,370	25.0	117,218	37,987	32.4
16 to 24 years	36,735	8,955	24.4	18,532	3,858	20.8	18,202	5,097	28.0
16 to 19 years	16,443	5,000	30.4	8,339	2,282	27.4	8,104	2,718	33.5
20 to 24 years	20,291	3,956	19.5	10,193	1,576	15.5	10,098	2,380	23.6
25 years and over	189,958	56,401	29.7	90,943	23,512	25.9	99,015	32,889	33.2
25 to 34 years	39,118	9,881	25.3	19,479	3,949	20.3	19,639	5,931	30.2
35 to 44 years	42,968	14,809	34.5	21,165	6,105	28.8	21,803	8,704	39.9
45 to 54 years	42,316	13,826	32.7	20,701	5,999	29.0	21,615	7,828	36.2
55 to 64 years	30,410	9,173	30.2	14,622	3,999	27.3	15,788	5,174	32.8
65 years and over	35,146	8,712	24.8	14,975	3,460	23.1	20,170	5,252	26.0
Race and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity									
White	184,851	56,170	30.4	90,248	23,726	26.3	94,602	32,444	34.3
Black or African American	26,618	5,879	22.1	11,933	2,226	18.7	14,685	3,654	24.9
Asian	9,946	2,055	20.7	4,729	845	17.9	5,217	1,210	23.2
Hispanic or Latino ethnicity	29,361	4,511	15.4	15,083	1,839	12.2	14,278	2,671	18.7
Educational attainment ¹									
Less than a high school diploma	28,256	2,837	10.0	13,868	1,156	8.3	14,388	1,682	11.7
High school graduates, no college ²	59,345	12,594	21.2	28,278	5,072	17.9	31,066	7,522	24.2
Less than a bachelor's degree ³	48,861	16,452	33.7	22,276	6,382	28.6	26,584	10,071	37.9
College graduates	53,497	24,517	45.8	26,520	10,903	41.1	26,977	13,615	50.5
Marital status									
Single, never married	62,938	14,445	23.0	33,387	6,249	18.7	29,551	8,196	27.7
Married, spouse present	119,128	40,611	34.1	60,337	18,292	30.3	58,792	22,318	38.0
Other marital status ⁴	44,626	10,301	23.1	15,752	2,829	18.0	28,875	7,472	25.9
Presence of own children under 18 years ⁵									
Without own children under 18	160,998	41,058	25.5	80,229	17,618	22.0	80,769	23,439	29.0
With own children under 18	65,695	24,299	37.0	29,246	9,752	33.3	36,449	14,547	39.9
Employment status									
Civilian labor force	150,863	46,872	31.1	80,780	21,684	26.8	70,084	25,188	35.9
Employed	143,381	44,894	31.3	76,999	20,947	27.2	66,383	23,947	36.1
Full time ⁶	118,059	35,225	29.8	68,594	18,385	26.8	49,465	16,840	34.0
Part time ⁷	25,323	9,669	38.2	8,405	2,562	30.5	16,918	7,107	42.0
Unemployed	7,482	1,978	26.4	3,781	737	19.5	3,701	1,241	33.5
Not in the labor force	75,830	18,485	24.4	28,695	5,686	19.8	47,134	12,799	27.2

¹ Data refer to persons 25 years and over.

² Includes high school diploma or equivalent.

³ Includes the categories, some college, no degree; and associate degree.

⁴ Includes divorced, separated, and widowed persons.

⁵ Own children include sons, daughters, stepchildren, and adopted children.

Not included are nieces, nephews, grandchildren, and other related and unrelated children.

⁶ Usually work 35 hours or more a week at all jobs.

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NOTE: Data on volunteers relate to persons who performed unpaid volunteer activities for an organization at any point from September 1, 2004, through the survey period in September 2005. Estimates for the above race groups (white, black or African American, and Asian) do not sum to totals because data are not presented for all races. In addition, persons whose ethnicity is identified as Hispanic or Latino may be of any race and, therefore, are classified by ethnicity as well as by race.

Table 2. Volunteers by annual hours of volunteer activities and selected characteristics, September 2005

Characteristics in September 2005	Total volunteers (thousands)	Percent distribution of total annual hours spent volunteering at all organizations							Median annual hours ¹
		Total	1 to 14 hour(s)	15 to 49 hours	50 to 99 hours	100 to 499 hours	500 hours and over	Not reporting annual hours	
Sex									
Total, both sexes	65,357	100.0	21.5	25.0	14.8	27.8	5.2	5.8	50
Men	27,370	100.0	20.6	25.1	14.7	28.3	5.6	5.7	52
Women	37,987	100.0	22.0	25.0	14.8	27.4	4.9	5.9	50
Age									
Total, 16 years and over	65,357	100.0	21.5	25.0	14.8	27.8	5.2	5.8	50
16 to 24 years	8,955	100.0	24.5	28.0	14.2	22.6	3.2	7.6	36
16 to 19 years	5,000	100.0	24.1	30.7	13.8	21.7	2.4	7.3	36
20 to 24 years	3,956	100.0	24.9	24.5	14.8	23.7	4.1	7.9	40
25 years and over	56,401	100.0	21.0	24.6	14.9	28.6	5.5	5.5	52
25 to 34 years	9,881	100.0	26.4	27.7	13.5	23.5	4.2	4.7	36
35 to 44 years	14,809	100.0	22.9	25.4	15.9	27.0	4.4	4.4	48
45 to 54 years	13,826	100.0	21.2	25.3	15.4	27.5	5.0	5.5	50
55 to 64 years	9,173	100.0	19.0	23.3	14.8	30.1	6.6	6.3	56
65 years and over	8,712	100.0	13.4	19.8	13.8	37.0	8.6	7.4	96
Race and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity									
White	56,170	100.0	21.3	25.3	15.0	27.9	5.0	5.3	50
Black or African American	5,879	100.0	20.6	22.7	13.2	26.4	7.1	9.9	52
Asian	2,055	100.0	27.9	22.8	12.5	26.9	3.6	6.3	40
Hispanic or Latino ethnicity	4,511	100.0	25.4	25.1	13.5	24.9	4.7	6.5	40
Educational attainment ²									
Less than a high school diploma	2,837	100.0	22.8	23.9	12.1	27.2	5.7	8.3	48
High school graduates, no college ³	12,594	100.0	23.4	23.6	14.1	26.4	5.3	7.2	48
Less than a bachelor's degree ⁴	16,452	100.0	21.3	25.2	15.0	27.8	5.5	5.2	50
College graduates	24,517	100.0	19.3	24.8	15.5	30.4	5.6	4.5	55
Marital status									
Single, never married	14,445	100.0	24.3	27.3	14.0	22.7	4.0	7.6	40
Married, spouse present	40,611	100.0	20.5	24.3	14.9	29.6	5.5	5.1	52
Other marital status ⁵	10,301	100.0	21.2	24.7	15.2	27.4	5.5	6.0	52
Presence of own children under 18 years ⁶									
Men:									
No own children under 18 years old	17,618	100.0	20.0	25.0	14.6	28.0	6.0	6.4	52
With own children under 18 years old	9,752	100.0	21.8	25.3	15.0	28.8	4.8	4.4	50
Women:									
No own children under 18 years old	23,439	100.0	22.1	24.2	14.1	27.5	5.2	6.9	50
With own children under 18 years old	14,547	100.0	22.0	26.2	16.0	27.2	4.5	4.1	48
Employment status									
Civilian labor force	46,872	100.0	22.8	26.2	15.1	26.2	4.4	5.3	48
Employed	44,894	100.0	22.8	26.2	14.9	26.4	4.4	5.3	48
Full time ⁷	35,225	100.0	23.3	26.4	15.0	25.7	4.2	5.4	45
Part time ⁸	9,669	100.0	20.6	25.7	14.9	29.0	4.8	5.0	51
Unemployed	1,978	100.0	24.2	26.3	17.7	20.9	5.8	5.0	42
Not in the labor force	18,485	100.0	18.0	22.1	14.0	31.7	7.1	7.1	62

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Table 3. Volunteers by number of organizations for which volunteer activities were performed and selected characteristics, September 2005

Characteristics in September 2005	Total volunteers (thousands)	Percent distribution of the number of organizations for which volunteer activities were performed						
		Total	One	Two	Three	Four	Five or more	Not reporting number of organizations
Sex								
Total, both sexes	65,357	100.0	69.6	18.9	7.0	2.4	1.7	0.3
Men	27,370	100.0	71.7	17.9	6.3	2.0	1.6	.3
Women	37,987	100.0	68.1	19.6	7.4	2.7	1.8	.3
Age								
Total, 16 years and over	65,357	100.0	69.6	18.9	7.0	2.4	1.7	.3
16 to 24 years	8,955	100.0	77.3	15.1	4.1	1.7	1.2	.6
16 to 19 years	5,000	100.0	74.0	16.9	5.1	1.9	1.4	.7
20 to 24 years	3,956	100.0	81.5	13.0	2.8	1.3	1.0	.5
25 years and over	56,401	100.0	68.4	19.5	7.4	2.6	1.8	.2
25 to 34 years	9,881	100.0	74.9	16.9	5.2	1.7	1.1	.2
35 to 44 years	14,809	100.0	65.9	21.2	8.0	2.8	2.0	.2
45 to 54 years	13,826	100.0	66.7	19.9	8.0	3.0	2.2	.2
55 to 64 years	9,173	100.0	67.5	18.8	8.6	2.9	2.0	.2
65 years and over	8,712	100.0	69.2	19.7	6.8	2.1	1.7	.5
Race and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity								
White	56,170	100.0	68.3	19.7	7.3	2.6	1.9	.3
Black or African American	5,879	100.0	77.9	13.9	5.2	1.4	1.2	.4
Asian	2,055	100.0	79.3	14.7	3.9	.9	.4	.8
Hispanic or Latino ethnicity	4,511	100.0	82.3	11.8	3.8	1.1	.5	.4
Educational attainment ¹								
Less than a high school diploma	2,837	100.0	88.1	8.6	2.4	.5	.3	.1
High school graduates, no college ²	12,594	100.0	78.3	15.3	4.0	1.3	.8	.2
Less than a bachelor's degree ³	16,452	100.0	70.3	18.8	7.2	2.1	1.4	.3
College graduates	24,517	100.0	59.8	23.4	9.9	3.8	2.8	.3
Marital status								
Single, never married	14,445	100.0	75.1	16.3	4.8	1.9	1.4	.6
Married, spouse present	40,611	100.0	67.5	20.1	7.5	2.7	1.9	.2
Other marital status ⁴	10,301	100.0	70.7	17.7	7.8	2.1	1.5	.2
Presence of own children under 18 years ⁵								
Men:								
No own children under 18 years old	17,618	100.0	73.3	16.8	5.9	2.0	1.6	.4
With own children under 18 years old	9,752	100.0	69.0	19.9	7.1	2.0	1.8	.1
Women:								
No own children under 18 years old	23,439	100.0	70.2	18.6	6.8	2.5	1.6	.4
With own children under 18 years old	14,547	100.0	64.8	21.3	8.4	3.2	2.2	.2
Employment status								
Civilian labor force	46,872	100.0	69.2	19.1	7.2	2.5	1.8	.2
Employed	44,894	100.0	69.0	19.3	7.1	2.5	1.8	.2
Full time ⁶	35,225	100.0	69.4	19.1	7.0	2.5	1.8	.2
Part time ⁷	9,669	100.0	67.7	19.9	7.6	2.6	1.9	.3
Unemployed	1,978	100.0	73.4	15.1	8.1	1.5	1.6	.2
Not in the labor force	18,485	100.0	70.8	18.5	6.4	2.3	1.5	.5

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² Includes high school diploma or equivalent.

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Not included are nieces, nephews, grandchildren, and other related and unrelated children.

⁶ Usually work 35 hours or more a week at all jobs.

⁷ Usually work less than 35 hours a week at all jobs.

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Table 4. Volunteers by type of main organization for which volunteer activities were performed and selected characteristics, September 2005

Characteristics in September 2005	Total volunteers (thousands)	Percent distribution of volunteers by type of main organization ¹										
		Total	Civic, political, professional, or international	Educational or youth service	Environmental or animal care	Hospital or other health	Public safety	Religious	Social or community service	Sport, hobby, cultural, or arts	Other	Not determined
Sex												
Total, both sexes	65,357	100.0	6.4	26.2	1.8	7.7	1.3	34.8	13.4	3.3	3.5	1.7
Men	27,370	100.0	8.2	24.4	1.8	5.5	2.4	34.0	14.2	4.1	3.8	1.6
Women	37,987	100.0	5.0	27.6	1.8	9.2	.5	35.4	12.8	2.7	3.3	1.7
Age												
Total, 16 years and over	65,357	100.0	6.4	26.2	1.8	7.7	1.3	34.8	13.4	3.3	3.5	1.7
16 to 24 years	8,955	100.0	4.2	32.4	2.5	8.2	1.5	27.5	14.9	2.8	3.6	2.3
16 to 19 years	5,000	100.0	3.4	36.5	2.1	7.6	1.0	27.7	13.6	2.8	2.9	2.5
20 to 24 years	3,956	100.0	5.3	27.3	2.9	9.0	2.3	27.3	16.6	2.7	4.5	2.1
25 years and over	56,401	100.0	6.7	25.2	1.7	7.6	1.2	36.0	13.2	3.4	3.5	1.5
25 to 34 years	9,881	100.0	6.8	33.6	2.1	6.6	1.7	29.1	13.1	3.0	3.1	1.0
35 to 44 years	14,809	100.0	4.8	37.9	1.3	5.8	1.1	31.2	10.5	3.0	3.1	1.3
45 to 54 years	13,826	100.0	6.8	25.6	2.1	7.7	1.3	36.8	11.4	3.6	3.1	1.7
55 to 64 years	9,173	100.0	8.0	13.5	2.1	8.9	1.4	41.2	15.5	3.8	4.0	1.7
65 years and over	8,712	100.0	8.2	6.2	.9	10.1	.8	45.0	18.0	3.7	4.7	2.3
Race and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity												
White	56,170	100.0	6.5	26.3	2.0	8.0	1.4	33.8	13.5	3.4	3.6	1.5
Black or African American	5,879	100.0	5.2	23.8	.5	4.8	.5	45.5	12.3	2.0	2.9	2.5
Asian	2,055	100.0	6.0	28.6	.5	8.8	.5	33.6	13.3	3.8	2.5	2.4
Hispanic or Latino ethnicity	4,511	100.0	5.8	31.9	.9	5.7	1.0	37.1	9.5	2.3	3.9	1.9
Educational attainment ²												
Less than a high school diploma	2,837	100.0	5.2	20.9	.4	5.7	1.5	45.5	13.5	1.2	5.0	1.0
High school graduates, no college ³	12,594	100.0	6.3	23.7	1.3	7.9	2.1	38.9	12.2	2.9	3.3	1.4
Less than a bachelor's degree ⁴	16,452	100.0	6.5	26.1	1.8	7.9	1.3	35.8	12.6	3.3	3.4	1.3
College graduates	24,517	100.0	7.3	26.0	2.0	7.4	.7	33.5	13.9	3.9	3.5	1.8
Marital status												
Single, never married	14,445	100.0	6.1	29.3	2.7	8.5	1.6	26.1	15.4	3.6	4.1	2.5
Married, spouse present	40,611	100.0	6.2	26.8	1.4	6.7	1.3	38.1	12.1	3.1	2.9	1.4
Other marital status ⁵	10,301	100.0	7.2	19.8	2.0	10.3	.8	34.0	15.7	3.6	5.1	1.6
Presence of own children under 18 years ⁶												
Men:												
No own children under 18 years old	17,618	100.0	9.6	17.9	2.1	6.5	2.7	34.3	16.2	4.3	4.5	1.9
With own children under 18 years old	9,752	100.0	5.8	36.1	1.1	3.7	1.8	33.4	10.6	3.9	2.6	1.0
Women:												
No own children under 18 years old	23,439	100.0	6.2	16.6	2.4	11.7	.6	37.3	15.8	3.2	4.1	2.1
With own children under 18 years old	14,547	100.0	3.2	45.2	.8	5.2	.3	32.4	8.0	1.9	2.0	1.0
Employment status												
Civilian labor force	46,872	100.0	6.6	27.7	1.9	7.5	1.5	33.5	13.1	3.4	3.4	1.5
Employed	44,894	100.0	6.7	27.4	1.9	7.6	1.5	33.6	12.9	3.4	3.4	1.6
Full time ⁷	35,225	100.0	7.2	26.5	1.9	7.6	1.7	33.4	13.2	3.5	3.5	1.6
Part time ⁸	9,669	100.0	4.8	30.5	2.0	7.6	1.0	34.6	11.9	2.9	3.1	1.5
Unemployed	1,978	100.0	4.4	34.0	1.5	5.8	1.6	29.3	16.7	2.5	3.4	.8
Not in the labor force	18,485	100.0	5.9	22.6	1.5	8.0	.6	38.2	14.2	3.1	3.9	2.0

¹ Main organization is defined as the organization for which the volunteer worked the most hours during the year. See the Technical Note for more details.

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³ Includes high school diploma or equivalent.

⁴ Includes the categories, some college, no degree; and associate degree.

⁵ Includes divorced, separated, and widowed persons.

⁶ Own children include sons, daughters, stepchildren, and adopted children. Not included are nieces, nephews, grandchildren, and other related and unrelated children.

⁷ Usually work 35 hours or more a week at all jobs.

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Table 5. Volunteer activities for main organization for which activities were performed and selected characteristics, September 2005

Characteristics in September 2005	Total volunteers (thousands)	Percent distribution of volunteer activities for main organization ¹												
		Coach, referee, or supervise sports teams	Tutor or teach	Mentor youth	Be an usher, greeter, or minister	Collect, prepare, distribute, or serve food	Collect, make, or distribute clothing, crafts, or goods other than food	Fundraise or sell items to raise money	Provide counseling, medical care, fire/EMS, or protective services	Provide general office services	Provide professional or management assistance, including serving on a board or committee	Engage in music, performance, or other artistic activities	Engage in general labor; supply transportation to people	Other
Sex														
Total, both sexes	65,357	8.9	21.3	17.6	13.1	26.3	16.2	29.7	7.4	12.8	17.7	11.5	22.5	15.3
Men	27,370	14.5	18.6	17.9	15.1	21.1	12.0	26.7	8.5	9.1	19.8	9.9	27.7	14.4
Women	37,987	4.8	23.2	17.4	11.7	30.0	19.3	32.0	6.6	15.4	16.1	12.6	18.8	16.0
Age														
Total, 16 years and over	65,357	8.9	21.3	17.6	13.1	26.3	16.2	29.7	7.4	12.8	17.7	11.5	22.5	15.3
16 to 24 years	8,955	11.6	22.0	22.1	9.4	23.5	14.5	26.7	6.2	9.2	6.1	15.7	21.6	15.3
16 to 19 years	5,000	12.0	21.4	20.2	10.0	25.2	14.5	29.3	3.9	9.5	4.4	16.3	23.2	14.9
20 to 24 years	3,956	11.1	22.8	24.6	8.7	21.4	14.5	23.3	9.1	8.8	8.1	14.9	19.7	15.8
25 years and over	56,401	8.4	21.2	16.9	13.7	26.7	16.5	30.2	7.6	13.4	19.5	10.8	22.7	15.3
25 to 34 years	9,881	11.6	24.0	20.5	9.5	23.4	15.7	29.7	7.9	10.8	12.8	12.5	22.2	15.4
35 to 44 years	14,809	13.0	24.6	20.9	11.0	25.5	16.4	32.9	6.6	13.2	18.9	11.3	23.1	14.0
45 to 54 years	13,826	9.1	21.4	18.0	15.0	27.3	15.7	32.6	8.3	13.0	21.6	10.3	24.4	14.5
55 to 64 years	9,173	3.4	19.4	13.9	17.1	28.5	16.7	30.1	8.7	14.4	23.8	10.7	22.9	14.3
65 years and over	8,712	1.5	13.6	7.3	17.7	29.9	18.6	22.9	6.8	15.9	20.6	8.7	19.6	19.9
Race and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity														
White	56,170	8.9	20.8	17.0	12.9	25.9	16.0	30.6	7.2	12.9	18.5	11.0	22.9	15.7
Black or African American	5,879	9.2	24.4	24.2	17.7	29.7	18.8	23.5	10.1	12.9	13.2	14.3	19.0	12.6
Asian	2,055	5.6	21.0	13.5	9.1	24.6	13.2	24.7	5.5	10.0	10.4	12.0	19.9	15.3
Hispanic or Latino ethnicity	4,511	9.6	20.7	14.6	12.1	24.1	15.5	24.1	6.7	9.7	9.1	8.8	18.4	18.5
Educational attainment ²														
Less than a high school diploma	2,837	4.3	13.3	8.7	14.3	32.9	16.3	22.2	5.4	6.6	6.9	6.4	23.3	19.0
High school graduates, no college ³	12,594	8.2	16.6	14.3	14.2	30.3	16.3	30.8	5.5	12.1	13.3	9.4	23.6	17.0
Less than a bachelor's degree ⁴	16,452	8.6	20.4	18.1	14.1	27.9	17.5	31.0	7.5	14.5	17.6	11.7	24.9	15.6
College graduates	24,517	8.9	24.9	18.4	13.2	23.4	15.9	30.4	9.0	14.0	25.5	11.4	20.6	13.9
Marital status														
Single, never married	14,445	9.8	20.5	19.2	10.5	23.0	14.4	26.6	7.8	10.6	9.8	13.8	21.2	15.3
Married, spouse present	40,611	9.4	22.7	17.8	14.3	26.9	16.4	31.4	7.2	13.1	20.9	11.0	23.6	14.8
Other marital status ⁵	10,301	5.3	16.6	14.5	12.3	28.4	18.1	27.8	7.8	14.7	16.2	10.2	20.2	17.6
Presence of own children under 18 years ⁶														
Men:														
No own children under 18 years old	17,618	9.0	16.9	15.4	16.2	21.5	12.1	25.4	8.7	9.7	19.3	10.1	27.2	15.7
With own children under 18 years old ..	9,752	24.5	21.5	22.5	13.1	20.4	11.7	28.9	8.3	8.1	20.9	9.6	28.5	12.0
Women:														
No own children under 18 years old	23,439	3.5	20.0	14.4	13.0	29.4	19.1	28.6	7.4	15.6	16.0	12.3	18.0	16.1
With own children under 18 years old ..	14,547	6.9	28.4	22.0	9.6	31.0	19.6	37.4	5.4	15.2	16.4	13.0	20.1	15.9
Employment status														
Civilian labor force	46,872	10.5	21.8	19.4	13.0	25.4	15.7	31.3	8.2	11.9	18.8	11.5	23.6	14.2
Employed	44,894	10.6	21.8	19.4	13.1	25.1	15.6	31.5	8.3	11.8	19.1	11.3	23.6	14.2
Full time ⁷	35,225	11.4	20.9	19.2	13.4	24.4	14.9	31.7	8.5	11.5	20.0	10.9	23.4	13.7
Part time ⁸	9,669	7.7	25.3	19.8	12.1	27.5	17.9	30.9	7.4	13.1	16.0	13.0	24.0	15.7
Unemployed	1,978	8.3	20.9	19.9	10.2	31.2	18.7	27.0	6.7	14.4	11.4	14.3	23.6	14.6
Not in the labor force	18,485	4.7	20.0	13.1	13.4	28.7	17.5	25.8	5.5	15.0	14.9	11.4	20.0	18.3

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Table 6. Volunteers by how they became involved with main organization for which volunteer activities were performed and selected characteristics, September 2005

Characteristics in September 2005	Total volunteers (thousands)	Percent distribution of how volunteers became involved with main organization ¹								
		Total	Approached the organization	Was asked by:					Other	Not reporting how became involved
				Total ²	Boss or employer	Relative, friend, or co-worker	Someone in the organization/school	Someone else		
Sex										
Total, both sexes	65,357	100.0	40.3	42.8	1.5	14.1	25.9	1.2	14.5	2.4
Men	27,370	100.0	39.1	43.8	1.5	15.4	25.6	1.1	14.5	2.6
Women	37,987	100.0	41.1	42.1	1.4	13.2	26.1	1.3	14.5	2.2
Age										
Total, 16 years and over	65,357	100.0	40.3	42.8	1.5	14.1	25.9	1.2	14.5	2.4
16 to 24 years	8,955	100.0	39.6	40.6	1.3	16.5	21.1	1.6	16.7	3.1
16 to 19 years	5,000	100.0	40.0	40.0	.5	14.8	23.1	1.4	16.7	3.3
20 to 24 years	3,956	100.0	39.0	41.5	2.3	18.7	18.4	1.8	16.7	2.9
25 years and over	56,401	100.0	40.4	43.2	1.5	13.7	26.7	1.1	14.2	2.2
25 to 34 years	9,881	100.0	39.4	44.9	2.6	15.3	25.5	1.4	13.8	1.9
35 to 44 years	14,809	100.0	40.2	43.3	1.5	13.3	27.5	.9	14.5	2.0
45 to 54 years	13,826	100.0	40.2	43.7	1.6	12.8	28.0	1.0	13.9	2.2
55 to 64 years	9,173	100.0	40.6	42.4	1.2	14.1	25.8	1.1	14.5	2.6
65 years and over	8,712	100.0	42.1	41.0	.4	13.7	25.2	1.6	14.2	2.7
Race and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity										
White	56,170	100.0	40.3	43.5	1.5	14.4	26.3	1.2	14.2	2.1
Black or African American	5,879	100.0	38.2	39.4	1.5	13.0	23.6	1.3	17.9	4.4
Asian	2,055	100.0	47.0	34.0	1.6	10.8	20.5	.9	14.4	4.6
Hispanic or Latino ethnicity	4,511	100.0	40.2	43.7	1.9	14.9	24.7	1.8	13.7	2.4
Educational attainment ³										
Less than a high school diploma	2,837	100.0	40.1	45.0	.7	15.6	26.6	1.8	12.4	2.5
High school graduates, no college ⁴	12,594	100.0	39.1	44.3	1.3	15.0	26.7	1.2	14.5	2.1
Less than a bachelor's degree ⁵	16,452	100.0	39.6	43.3	1.5	14.1	26.2	1.2	14.9	2.1
College graduates	24,517	100.0	41.7	42.3	1.7	12.6	26.9	.9	13.7	2.4
Marital status										
Single, never married	14,445	100.0	39.7	40.4	1.6	16.6	20.4	1.6	16.4	3.5
Married, spouse present	40,611	100.0	40.6	43.8	1.3	13.0	28.3	1.0	13.7	1.9
Other marital status ⁶	10,301	100.0	40.1	42.5	1.9	15.1	23.9	1.5	14.9	2.5
Presence of own children under 18 years ⁷										
Men:										
No own children under 18 years old	17,618	100.0	38.8	43.3	1.5	16.8	23.5	1.2	14.8	3.1
With own children under 18 years old	9,752	100.0	39.7	44.8	1.4	13.0	29.3	.8	13.9	1.6
Women:										
No own children under 18 years old	23,439	100.0	42.0	40.3	1.7	14.8	22.3	1.4	15.0	2.7
With own children under 18 years old	14,547	100.0	39.7	45.0	1.1	10.5	32.2	1.1	13.8	1.4
Employment status										
Civilian labor force	46,872	100.0	39.5	43.8	1.9	14.6	26.0	1.1	14.5	2.2
Employed	44,894	100.0	39.6	43.7	2.0	14.5	26.0	1.0	14.5	2.2
Full time ⁸	35,225	100.0	39.0	44.1	2.3	15.0	25.7	.9	14.6	2.3
Part time ⁹	9,669	100.0	41.8	42.3	.8	12.7	27.3	1.4	14.0	1.9
Unemployed	1,978	100.0	38.6	44.2	.4	15.8	25.7	2.0	15.6	1.6
Not in the labor force	18,485	100.0	42.3	40.5	.3	13.0	25.6	1.5	14.5	2.8

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Table 7. Main reason for not volunteering last year as reported by non-volunteers who had volunteered in the past by selected characteristics, September 2005

Characteristics in September 2005	Total (thousands) ¹	Percent distribution of main reason for not volunteering											
		Total	Burnout/ not enjoyable previously	Family responsi- bilities or childcare problems	Health or medical problems	Lack of time	No one asked	No longer a member of the organ- ization	Wasn't interested	Moved, lack of infor- mation, transportation, or expenses ²	No longer required/ not relevant to current life situation	Other	Not reporting reason for not volun- teering
Sex													
Total, both sexes	37,677	100.0	2.0	9.3	15.2	45.6	2.9	1.9	3.9	3.9	4.9	9.0	1.3
Men	16,640	100.0	2.0	5.4	11.5	50.9	3.5	2.0	4.8	3.8	4.9	9.8	1.3
Women	21,037	100.0	2.0	12.4	18.1	41.3	2.5	1.8	3.3	3.9	4.9	8.4	1.4
Age													
Total, 16 years and over	37,677	100.0	2.0	9.3	15.2	45.6	2.9	1.9	3.9	3.9	4.9	9.0	1.3
16 to 24 years	4,569	100.0	.7	4.5	.8	64.5	3.1	2.1	4.5	5.8	2.2	9.6	2.0
16 to 19 years	1,345	100.0	1.5	3.2	.7	57.5	4.6	3.4	6.2	7.9	3.2	9.2	2.7
20 to 24 years	3,224	100.0	.4	5.1	.8	67.5	2.5	1.6	3.7	4.9	1.8	9.8	1.8
25 years and over	33,108	100.0	2.2	10.0	17.2	42.9	2.9	1.8	3.8	3.6	5.3	8.9	1.3
25 to 34 years	6,020	100.0	1.1	14.3	2.2	59.0	2.8	1.5	2.6	4.7	1.9	8.4	1.4
35 to 44 years	6,236	100.0	1.9	12.7	5.2	57.0	3.3	2.0	2.4	3.2	4.3	7.2	.8
45 to 54 years	7,163	100.0	1.8	8.2	9.8	52.4	3.0	2.2	3.1	3.9	6.3	7.7	1.5
55 to 64 years	5,992	100.0	3.0	9.5	15.8	40.0	2.9	2.3	5.5	3.3	6.6	9.6	1.5
65 years and over	7,696	100.0	3.1	6.5	46.5	12.4	2.5	1.3	5.4	3.1	6.7	11.5	1.1
Race and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity													
White	32,446	100.0	2.0	9.2	15.4	45.5	2.9	1.8	4.0	3.7	5.2	9.1	1.3
Black or African American	3,199	100.0	3.0	10.1	16.9	42.1	3.5	2.1	4.2	4.4	2.9	8.6	2.3
Asian	1,157	100.0	.6	11.4	7.6	57.3	1.5	1.5	1.6	5.1	3.4	8.4	1.7
Hispanic or Latino ethnicity	2,704	100.0	1.6	11.0	9.8	47.6	4.4	3.2	3.6	5.9	3.9	7.5	1.4
Educational attainment ³													
Less than a high school diploma	2,975	100.0	1.6	9.5	39.7	20.3	3.5	1.9	3.2	4.0	5.3	9.7	1.3
High school graduates, no college ⁴	9,677	100.0	2.6	9.4	21.9	35.1	3.4	2.5	4.4	3.3	7.1	9.2	1.1
Less than a bachelor's degree ⁵	10,087	100.0	2.5	10.1	15.0	45.0	3.1	1.7	4.2	3.8	4.9	8.5	1.2
College graduates	10,369	100.0	1.8	10.6	8.5	54.7	2.1	1.4	3.1	3.6	3.9	8.9	1.4
Marital status													
Single, never married	8,896	100.0	1.4	5.0	5.4	60.1	3.6	1.8	4.6	4.9	2.4	8.8	2.1
Married, spouse present	20,010	100.0	1.9	11.9	13.2	45.1	2.8	2.0	3.9	3.2	6.1	8.7	1.2
Other marital status ⁶	8,772	100.0	2.9	7.9	29.7	31.7	2.7	1.6	3.3	4.5	4.6	10.1	.9
Presence of own children under 18 years ⁷													
Men:													
No own children under 18 years old	13,095	100.0	2.2	3.5	13.6	48.2	3.7	1.9	5.5	4.1	5.4	10.4	1.4
With own children under 18 years old	3,545	100.0	1.5	12.3	3.8	61.0	2.6	2.4	2.0	2.7	3.1	7.5	1.0
Women:													
No own children under 18 years old	15,941	100.0	2.3	7.6	22.5	40.0	2.5	1.8	3.7	4.2	5.3	8.8	1.4
With own children under 18 years old	5,097	100.0	1.2	27.4	4.4	45.3	2.4	1.8	1.8	3.2	3.7	7.4	1.3
Employment status													
Civilian labor force	25,258	100.0	1.9	8.7	3.3	59.6	3.0	1.9	3.4	3.6	4.6	8.5	1.4
Employed	24,016	100.0	2.0	8.5	3.2	60.7	2.9	1.9	3.3	3.4	4.6	8.3	1.4
Full time ⁸	19,761	100.0	1.8	7.9	2.5	63.6	2.8	1.9	2.8	3.4	4.5	7.7	1.2
Part time ⁹	4,254	100.0	2.7	11.7	6.4	47.2	3.4	1.7	5.4	3.6	4.9	11.0	2.0
Unemployed	1,242	100.0	1.1	11.6	4.8	38.7	5.4	3.8	6.0	8.2	5.3	13.8	1.3
Not in the labor force	12,420	100.0	2.3	10.6	39.5	17.0	2.7	1.7	5.0	4.4	5.5	10.1	1.3

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