

Families and Unemployment

In 2007, 4.9 million families had at least one member who was unemployed, unchanged from 2006. The proportion of black families with an unemployed member was 10.8 percent in 2007, about twice the proportion among white (5.6 percent) and Asian (5.4 percent) families. Among Hispanic families, 8.5 percent had an unemployed member. The proportions of white and Asian families with an unemployed member showed little or no change from 2006. The proportion of black families with an unemployed member edged down in 2007, while the percentage of Hispanic families with an unemployed member in 2007 edged up over the year. (See table 1.)

Among families with an unemployed member in 2007, 71.2 percent also had at least one employed member, up from 69.6 percent in 2006. Among married-couple families with unemployment in 2007, 82.8 percent had an employed member, little changed over the year. For families maintained by women (no spouse present) with an unemployed member, the proportion that also contained an employed member rose from 47.3 percent in 2006 to 50.5 percent in 2007. For families maintained by men (no spouse present), the proportion was 60.7 percent in 2007, little changed from the prior year. (See tables 1 and 3.)

Families and Employment

In 2007, the proportion of families with at least one employed member (82.6 percent) was little changed from the prior year. There was little or no change in the proportion of families with employed members among white (82.7 percent), Asian (89.6 percent), and Hispanic (87.6 percent) families.

Among black families, the proportion with employed members edged up in 2007 to 78.9 percent. (See table 1.)

Among married-couple families, 83.7 percent had an employed member in 2007, about the same as in 2006. For families maintained by women, the proportion with an employed member increased from 76.0 percent in 2006 to 76.9 percent in 2007. In families maintained by men, the proportion was up slightly to 85.7 percent. (See table 2.)

In 2007, the proportion of married-couple families in which only the husband worked was unchanged at 19.8 percent. The proportion of married-couple families in which only the wife worked was little changed in 2007 (6.6 percent), as was the proportion of married-couple families that were dual-worker families (51.7 percent). (See table 2.)

Families with Children

Nearly half of all families include children (sons, daughters, step-children, and adopted children) under age 18. In 2007, 90.7 percent of the 35.9 million families with children under 18 had at least one employed parent; this proportion was little changed from 2006. In 2007, the mother was employed in 72.8 percent of families maintained by women, slightly higher than in the prior year. For families maintained by men, the father was employed in 85.2 percent of those families, up from 83.5 percent in 2006. Among married-couple families, the proportion that had an employed parent was unchanged in 2007 at 97.3 percent. The proportion of married-couple families in which both parents were employed was little changed at 62.2 percent. (See table 4.)

Mothers

The labor force participation rate—the percent of the population that was working or looking for work—for all mothers with children under 18 was 71.0 percent in 2007, essentially unchanged from the prior year. The participation rate remained below the recent peak of 72.3 percent in 2000. The participation rate of married mothers in 2007, at 68.8 percent, was little changed from 2006. The proportion of unmarried mothers—those who were widowed, divorced, separated, or never married—who were in the labor force in 2007 was 76.5 percent, essentially unchanged from the prior year. (See table 5.)

In 2007, the unemployment rate for all mothers with children under 18 was 4.6 percent. The jobless rate for married mothers was 3.0 percent, and the rate for unmarried mothers was 8.0 percent. These rates were little changed from the prior year. (See table 5.)

Of the 3.3 million mothers with children under a year old, 55.1 percent were in the labor force in 2007, little changed from 2006. The labor force participation rate for unmarried mothers with children under a year old in 2007 was 56.5 percent, little changed from 2006. The participation rate for married mothers with children under a year old, at 54.6 percent in 2007, also was little changed from a year earlier. The unemployment rate for all mothers of children under age 1 continued to trend down to 6.7 percent in 2007. (See table 6.)

Table 1. Employment and unemployment in families by race and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity, 2006-07 annual averages

(Numbers in thousands)

| Characteristic | 2006 | 2007 |
|--|--------|--------|
| TOTAL | | |
| Total families | 77,017 | 77,894 |
| With employed member(s) | 63,492 | 64,330 |
| As percent of total families | 82.4 | 82.6 |
| Some usually work full time ¹ | 58,918 | 59,616 |
| With no employed member | 13,525 | 13,564 |
| As percent of total families | 17.6 | 17.4 |
| With unemployed member(s) | 4,913 | 4,914 |
| As percent of total families | 6.4 | 6.3 |
| Some member(s) employed | 3,419 | 3,497 |
| As percent of families with unemployed member(s) | 69.6 | 71.2 |
| Some usually work full time ¹ | 3,049 | 3,096 |
| As percent of families with unemployed member(s) | 62.1 | 63.0 |
| White | | |
| Total families | 62,977 | 63,667 |
| With employed member(s) | 52,054 | 52,669 |
| As percent of total families | 82.7 | 82.7 |
| Some usually work full time ¹ | 48,395 | 48,879 |
| With no employed member | 10,923 | 10,997 |
| As percent of total families | 17.3 | 17.3 |
| With unemployed member(s) | 3,556 | 3,587 |
| As percent of total families | 5.6 | 5.6 |
| Some member(s) employed | 2,582 | 2,653 |
| As percent of families with unemployed member(s) | 72.6 | 73.9 |
| Some usually work full time ¹ | 2,306 | 2,350 |
| As percent of families with unemployed member(s) | 64.8 | 65.5 |
| Black or African American | | |
| Total families | 9,058 | 9,184 |
| With employed member(s) | 7,078 | 7,249 |
| As percent of total families | 78.1 | 78.9 |
| Some usually work full time ¹ | 6,437 | 6,608 |
| With no employed member | 1,980 | 1,935 |
| As percent of total families | 21.9 | 21.1 |
| With unemployed member(s) | 1,036 | 990 |
| As percent of total families | 11.4 | 10.8 |
| Some member(s) employed | 596 | 591 |
| As percent of families with unemployed member(s) | 57.6 | 59.7 |
| Some usually work full time ¹ | 526 | 519 |
| As percent of families with unemployed member(s) | 50.8 | 52.4 |
| Asian | | |
| Total families | 3,251 | 3,320 |
| With employed member(s) | 2,924 | 2,974 |
| As percent of total families | 89.9 | 89.6 |
| Some usually work full time ¹ | 2,772 | 2,818 |
| With no employed member | 327 | 347 |
| As percent of total families | 10.1 | 10.4 |
| With unemployed member(s) | 171 | 179 |
| As percent of total families | 5.2 | 5.4 |
| Some member(s) employed | 137 | 144 |
| As percent of families with unemployed member(s) | 80.4 | 80.5 |
| Some usually work full time ¹ | 123 | 133 |
| As percent of families with unemployed member(s) | 72.2 | 74.4 |

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 1. Employment and unemployment in families by race and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity, 2006-07 annual averages—Continued

(Numbers in thousands)

| Characteristic | 2006 | 2007 |
|--|-------|--------|
| Hispanic or Latino ethnicity | | |
| Total families | 9,905 | 10,332 |
| With employed member(s) | 8,641 | 9,048 |
| As percent of total families | 87.2 | 87.6 |
| Some usually work full time ¹ | 8,129 | 8,492 |
| With no employed member | 1,264 | 1,285 |
| As percent of total families | 12.8 | 12.4 |
| With unemployed member(s) | 793 | 876 |
| As percent of total families | 8.0 | 8.5 |
| Some member(s) employed | 544 | 619 |
| As percent of families with unemployed member(s) | 68.6 | 70.6 |
| Some usually work full time ¹ | 491 | 554 |
| As percent of families with unemployed member(s) | 61.9 | 63.2 |

¹ Usually work 35 hours or more a week at all jobs.

NOTE: The race or ethnicity of the family is determined by that of the householder. 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. Persons whose ethnicity is identified as Hispanic or Latino may be of any race. Updated population controls are introduced annually with the release of January data.

Table 2. Families by presence and relationship of employed members and family type, 2006-07 annual averages

(Numbers in thousands)

| Characteristic | Number | | Percent distribution | |
|--|--------|--------|----------------------|-------|
| | 2006 | 2007 | 2006 | 2007 |
| MARRIED-COUPLE FAMILIES | | | | |
| Total | 57,509 | 58,145 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Member(s) employed, total | 48,196 | 48,676 | 83.8 | 83.7 |
| Husband only | 11,399 | 11,509 | 19.8 | 19.8 |
| Wife only | 3,754 | 3,858 | 6.5 | 6.6 |
| Husband and wife | 29,799 | 30,055 | 51.8 | 51.7 |
| Other employment combinations | 3,244 | 3,254 | 5.6 | 5.6 |
| No member(s) employed | 9,313 | 9,469 | 16.2 | 16.3 |
| FAMILIES MAINTAINED BY WOMEN ¹ | | | | |
| Total | 14,208 | 14,423 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Member(s) employed, total | 10,796 | 11,087 | 76.0 | 76.9 |
| Householder only | 6,103 | 6,307 | 43.0 | 43.7 |
| Householder and other member(s) | 2,955 | 2,994 | 20.8 | 20.8 |
| Other member(s), not householder | 1,738 | 1,785 | 12.2 | 12.4 |
| No member(s) employed | 3,412 | 3,336 | 24.0 | 23.1 |
| FAMILIES MAINTAINED BY MEN ¹ | | | | |
| Total | 5,300 | 5,327 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Member(s) employed, total | 4,500 | 4,568 | 84.9 | 85.7 |
| Householder only | 2,089 | 2,170 | 39.4 | 40.7 |
| Householder and other member(s) | 1,715 | 1,696 | 32.4 | 31.8 |
| Other member(s), not householder | 696 | 701 | 13.1 | 13.2 |
| No member(s) employed | 800 | 759 | 15.1 | 14.3 |

¹ No spouse present.

NOTE: Detail may not sum to totals due to rounding. Updated population controls are introduced annually with the release of January data.

Table 3. Unemployment in families by presence and relationship of employed members and family type, 2006-07 annual averages

(Numbers in thousands)

| Characteristic | Number | | Percent distribution | |
|--|--------|-------|----------------------|-------|
| | 2006 | 2007 | 2006 | 2007 |
| MARRIED-COUPLE FAMILIES | | | | |
| With unemployed member(s), total | 2,968 | 2,978 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| No member employed | 526 | 512 | 17.7 | 17.2 |
| Some member(s) employed | 2,442 | 2,467 | 82.3 | 82.8 |
| Husband unemployed | 1,061 | 1,110 | 35.7 | 37.3 |
| Wife employed | 679 | 725 | 22.9 | 24.3 |
| Wife unemployed | 898 | 902 | 30.3 | 30.3 |
| Husband employed | 772 | 783 | 26.0 | 26.3 |
| Other family member unemployed | 1,010 | 966 | 34.0 | 32.4 |
| FAMILIES MAINTAINED BY WOMEN ¹ | | | | |
| With unemployed member(s), total | 1,429 | 1,416 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| No member employed | 753 | 701 | 52.7 | 49.5 |
| Some member(s) employed | 675 | 714 | 47.3 | 50.5 |
| Householder unemployed | 688 | 650 | 48.2 | 45.9 |
| Other member(s) employed | 132 | 144 | 9.3 | 10.2 |
| Other member(s) unemployed | 740 | 766 | 51.8 | 54.1 |
| FAMILIES MAINTAINED BY MEN ¹ | | | | |
| With unemployed member(s), total | 516 | 520 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| No member employed | 215 | 205 | 41.7 | 39.3 |
| Some member(s) employed | 301 | 316 | 58.3 | 60.7 |
| Householder unemployed | 284 | 294 | 55.0 | 56.6 |
| Other member(s) employed | 118 | 137 | 22.8 | 26.3 |
| Other member(s) unemployed | 232 | 226 | 45.0 | 43.4 |

¹ No spouse present.

NOTE: Detail may not sum to totals due to rounding. Updated population controls are introduced annually with the release of January data.

Table 4. Families with own children: Employment status of parents by age of youngest child and family type, 2006-07 annual averages

(Numbers in thousands)

| Characteristic | Number | | Percent distribution | |
|--|--------|--------|----------------------|-------|
| | 2006 | 2007 | 2006 | 2007 |
| WITH OWN CHILDREN UNDER 18 YEARS | | | | |
| Total | 35,605 | 35,856 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Parent(s) employed | 32,216 | 32,538 | 90.5 | 90.7 |
| No parent employed | 3,388 | 3,318 | 9.5 | 9.3 |
| Married-couple families | 25,022 | 25,125 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Parent(s) employed | 24,344 | 24,459 | 97.3 | 97.3 |
| Mother employed | 16,721 | 16,855 | 66.8 | 67.1 |
| Both parents employed | 15,516 | 15,627 | 62.0 | 62.2 |
| Mother employed, not father | 1,205 | 1,228 | 4.8 | 4.9 |
| Father employed, not mother | 7,623 | 7,604 | 30.5 | 30.3 |
| Neither parent employed | 678 | 666 | 2.7 | 2.7 |
| Families maintained by women ¹ | 8,407 | 8,554 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Mother employed | 6,054 | 6,224 | 72.0 | 72.8 |
| Mother not employed | 2,352 | 2,330 | 28.0 | 27.2 |
| Families maintained by men ¹ | 2,176 | 2,177 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Father employed | 1,818 | 1,855 | 83.5 | 85.2 |
| Father not employed | 359 | 322 | 16.5 | 14.8 |
| WITH OWN CHILDREN 6 TO 17 YEARS, NONE YOUNGER | | | | |
| Total | 20,283 | 20,361 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Parent(s) employed | 18,446 | 18,619 | 90.9 | 91.4 |
| No parent employed | 1,837 | 1,742 | 9.1 | 8.6 |
| Married-couple families | 13,752 | 13,823 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Parent(s) employed | 13,356 | 13,435 | 97.1 | 97.2 |
| Mother employed | 10,016 | 10,126 | 72.8 | 73.3 |
| Both parents employed | 9,245 | 9,341 | 67.2 | 67.6 |
| Mother employed, not father | 771 | 785 | 5.6 | 5.7 |
| Father employed, not mother | 3,339 | 3,309 | 24.3 | 23.9 |
| Neither parent employed | 396 | 388 | 2.9 | 2.8 |
| Families maintained by women ¹ | 5,195 | 5,224 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Mother employed | 3,976 | 4,070 | 76.5 | 77.9 |
| Mother not employed | 1,219 | 1,155 | 23.5 | 22.1 |
| Families maintained by men ¹ | 1,336 | 1,314 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Father employed | 1,114 | 1,115 | 83.4 | 84.9 |
| Father not employed | 222 | 199 | 16.6 | 15.1 |

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 4. Families with own children: Employment status of parents by age of youngest child and family type, 2006-07 annual averages—Continued

(Numbers in thousands)

| Characteristic | Number | | Percent distribution | |
|---|--------|--------|----------------------|-------|
| | 2006 | 2007 | 2006 | 2007 |
| WITH OWN CHILDREN UNDER 6 YEARS | | | | |
| Total | 15,322 | 15,495 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Parent(s) employed | 13,770 | 13,918 | 89.9 | 89.8 |
| No parent employed | 1,551 | 1,576 | 10.1 | 10.2 |
| Married-couple families | 11,270 | 11,302 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Parent(s) employed | 10,989 | 11,024 | 97.5 | 97.5 |
| Mother employed | 6,705 | 6,729 | 59.5 | 59.5 |
| Both parents employed | 6,271 | 6,287 | 55.6 | 55.6 |
| Mother employed, not father | 434 | 442 | 3.8 | 3.9 |
| Father employed, not mother | 4,284 | 4,295 | 38.0 | 38.0 |
| Neither parent employed | 281 | 278 | 2.5 | 2.5 |
| Families maintained by women ¹ | 3,212 | 3,329 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Mother employed | 2,078 | 2,154 | 64.7 | 64.7 |
| Mother not employed | 1,133 | 1,175 | 35.3 | 35.3 |
| Families maintained by men ¹ | 840 | 863 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Father employed | 704 | 740 | 83.8 | 85.7 |
| Father not employed | 136 | 123 | 16.2 | 14.3 |

¹ No spouse present.

NOTE: Own children include sons, daughters, step-children, and adopted children. Not included are nieces, nephews, grandchildren,

and other related and unrelated children. Data may not sum to totals due to rounding. Updated population controls are introduced annually with the release of January data.

Table 5. Employment status of the population by sex, marital status, and presence and age of own children under 18, 2006-07 annual averages

(Numbers in thousands)

| Characteristic | 2006 | | | 2007 | | |
|--|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| | Total | Men | Women | Total | Men | Women |
| WITH OWN CHILDREN UNDER 18 YEARS | | | | | | |
| Civilian noninstitutional population | 65,941 | 29,449 | 36,492 | 66,801 | 29,684 | 37,117 |
| Civilian labor force | 53,590 | 27,730 | 25,861 | 54,370 | 28,002 | 26,368 |
| Participation rate | 81.3 | 94.2 | 70.9 | 81.4 | 94.3 | 71.0 |
| Employed | 51,561 | 26,948 | 24,614 | 52,373 | 27,216 | 25,157 |
| Employment-population ratio | 78.2 | 91.5 | 67.4 | 78.4 | 91.7 | 67.8 |
| Full-time workers ¹ | 44,634 | 26,033 | 18,601 | 45,336 | 26,282 | 19,053 |
| Part-time workers ² | 6,927 | 914 | 6,013 | 7,037 | 933 | 6,104 |
| Unemployed | 2,029 | 782 | 1,247 | 1,998 | 786 | 1,211 |
| Unemployment rate | 3.8 | 2.8 | 4.8 | 3.7 | 2.8 | 4.6 |
| Married, spouse present | | | | | | |
| Civilian noninstitutional population | 52,930 | 26,908 | 26,022 | 53,432 | 27,205 | 26,227 |
| Civilian labor force | 43,336 | 25,494 | 17,842 | 43,824 | 25,784 | 18,041 |
| Participation rate | 81.9 | 94.7 | 68.6 | 82.0 | 94.8 | 68.8 |
| Employed | 42,134 | 24,854 | 17,280 | 42,625 | 25,134 | 17,492 |
| Employment-population ratio | 79.6 | 92.4 | 66.4 | 79.8 | 92.4 | 66.7 |
| Full-time workers ¹ | 36,649 | 24,074 | 12,575 | 37,120 | 24,332 | 12,788 |
| Part-time workers ² | 5,485 | 780 | 4,705 | 5,505 | 802 | 4,704 |
| Unemployed | 1,202 | 640 | 562 | 1,199 | 650 | 549 |
| Unemployment rate | 2.8 | 2.5 | 3.1 | 2.7 | 2.5 | 3.0 |
| Other marital status ³ | | | | | | |
| Civilian noninstitutional population | 13,010 | 2,541 | 10,470 | 13,369 | 2,479 | 10,890 |
| Civilian labor force | 10,255 | 2,236 | 8,019 | 10,546 | 2,219 | 8,328 |
| Participation rate | 78.8 | 88.0 | 76.6 | 78.9 | 89.5 | 76.5 |
| Employed | 9,427 | 2,094 | 7,333 | 9,747 | 2,082 | 7,665 |
| Employment-population ratio | 72.5 | 82.4 | 70.0 | 72.9 | 84.0 | 70.4 |
| Full-time workers ¹ | 7,985 | 1,960 | 6,026 | 8,216 | 1,950 | 6,266 |
| Part-time workers ² | 1,442 | 134 | 1,308 | 1,531 | 132 | 1,400 |
| Unemployed | 827 | 142 | 686 | 799 | 137 | 662 |
| Unemployment rate | 8.1 | 6.3 | 8.5 | 7.6 | 6.2 | 8.0 |
| WITH OWN CHILDREN 6 TO 17 YEARS, NONE YOUNGER | | | | | | |
| Civilian noninstitutional population | 36,530 | 16,212 | 20,318 | 36,983 | 16,384 | 20,599 |
| Civilian labor force | 30,675 | 15,091 | 15,585 | 31,179 | 15,269 | 15,910 |
| Participation rate | 84.0 | 93.1 | 76.7 | 84.3 | 93.2 | 77.2 |
| Employed | 29,643 | 14,690 | 14,952 | 30,176 | 14,866 | 15,310 |
| Employment-population ratio | 81.1 | 90.6 | 73.6 | 81.6 | 90.7 | 74.3 |
| Full-time workers ¹ | 25,835 | 14,206 | 11,629 | 26,288 | 14,378 | 11,910 |
| Part-time workers ² | 3,808 | 485 | 3,323 | 3,888 | 488 | 3,400 |
| Unemployed | 1,032 | 400 | 632 | 1,003 | 403 | 600 |
| Unemployment rate | 3.4 | 2.7 | 4.1 | 3.2 | 2.6 | 3.8 |
| WITH OWN CHILDREN UNDER 6 YEARS | | | | | | |
| Civilian noninstitutional population | 29,411 | 13,237 | 16,174 | 29,818 | 13,299 | 16,518 |
| Civilian labor force | 22,915 | 12,639 | 10,276 | 23,192 | 12,733 | 10,458 |
| Participation rate | 77.9 | 95.5 | 63.5 | 77.8 | 95.7 | 63.3 |
| Employed | 21,919 | 12,257 | 9,661 | 22,197 | 12,350 | 9,847 |
| Employment-population ratio | 74.5 | 92.6 | 59.7 | 74.4 | 92.9 | 59.6 |
| Full-time workers ¹ | 18,800 | 11,828 | 6,972 | 19,048 | 11,904 | 7,143 |
| Part-time workers ² | 3,119 | 430 | 2,689 | 3,149 | 446 | 2,704 |
| Unemployed | 997 | 382 | 615 | 995 | 383 | 611 |
| Unemployment rate | 4.3 | 3.0 | 6.0 | 4.3 | 3.0 | 5.8 |

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 5. Employment status of the population by sex, marital status, and presence and age of own children under 18, 2006-07 annual averages — Continued

(Numbers in thousands)

| Characteristic | 2006 | | | 2007 | | |
|--|---------|--------|--------|---------|--------|--------|
| | Total | Men | Women | Total | Men | Women |
| WITH NO OWN CHILDREN UNDER 18 YEARS | | | | | | |
| Civilian noninstitutional population | 162,874 | 81,156 | 81,718 | 165,066 | 82,489 | 82,577 |
| Civilian labor force | 97,837 | 53,525 | 44,312 | 98,754 | 54,134 | 44,620 |
| Participation rate | 60.1 | 66.0 | 54.2 | 59.8 | 65.6 | 54.0 |
| Employed | 92,866 | 50,554 | 42,312 | 93,674 | 51,039 | 42,635 |
| Employment-population ratio | 57.0 | 62.3 | 51.8 | 56.7 | 61.9 | 51.6 |
| Full-time workers ¹ | 75,054 | 43,274 | 31,780 | 75,755 | 43,752 | 32,003 |
| Part-time workers ² | 17,812 | 7,280 | 10,532 | 17,919 | 7,286 | 10,632 |
| Unemployed | 4,971 | 2,971 | 2,000 | 5,080 | 3,095 | 1,984 |
| Unemployment rate | 5.1 | 5.6 | 4.5 | 5.1 | 5.7 | 4.4 |

¹ Usually work 35 hours or more a week at all jobs.

² Usually work less than 35 hours a week at all jobs.

³ Includes never married, divorced, separated, and widowed persons.

NOTE: 2006 estimates for total and for men differ from those published in the "Employment Characteristics of Families in 2006" news release (USDL

07-0673) due to a change in the weights for the estimates of married men. Own children include sons, daughters, step-children, and adopted children. Not included are nieces, nephews, grandchildren, and other related and unrelated children. Data may not sum to totals due to rounding. Updated population controls are introduced annually with the release of January data.

Table 6. Employment status of mothers with own children under 3 years old by single year of age of youngest child and marital status, 2006-07 annual averages

(Numbers in thousands)

| Characteristic | Civilian noninstitutional population | Civilian labor force | | | | | | | |
|---|--------------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|----------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------|------------------------|
| | | Total | Percent of population | Employed | | | | Unemployed | |
| | | | | Total | Percent of population | Full-time workers ¹ | Part-time workers ² | Number | Percent of labor force |
| 2006 | | | | | | | | | |
| TOTAL MOTHERS | | | | | | | | | |
| With own children under 3 years old | 9,431 | 5,675 | 60.2 | 5,315 | 56.4 | 3,751 | 1,564 | 360 | 6.3 |
| 2 years | 2,864 | 1,847 | 64.5 | 1,746 | 61.0 | 1,280 | 466 | 101 | 5.5 |
| 1 year | 3,318 | 2,006 | 60.5 | 1,883 | 56.7 | 1,305 | 577 | 123 | 6.1 |
| Under 1 year | 3,248 | 1,822 | 56.1 | 1,686 | 51.9 | 1,166 | 520 | 136 | 7.4 |
| Married, spouse present | | | | | | | | | |
| With own children under 3 years old | 6,998 | 4,076 | 58.2 | 3,933 | 56.2 | 2,756 | 1,177 | 143 | 3.5 |
| 2 years | 2,114 | 1,305 | 61.7 | 1,265 | 59.8 | 910 | 354 | 40 | 3.1 |
| 1 year | 2,494 | 1,456 | 58.4 | 1,404 | 56.3 | 962 | 442 | 52 | 3.6 |
| Under 1 year | 2,390 | 1,315 | 55.0 | 1,264 | 52.9 | 883 | 381 | 51 | 3.9 |
| Other marital status ³ | | | | | | | | | |
| With own children under 3 years old | 2,433 | 1,600 | 65.7 | 1,382 | 56.8 | 996 | 386 | 217 | 13.6 |
| 2 years | 750 | 543 | 72.3 | 481 | 64.2 | 369 | 112 | 61 | 11.3 |
| 1 year | 824 | 550 | 66.7 | 479 | 58.1 | 344 | 135 | 71 | 13.0 |
| Under 1 year | 859 | 507 | 59.0 | 422 | 49.2 | 283 | 139 | 85 | 16.7 |
| 2007 | | | | | | | | | |
| TOTAL MOTHERS | | | | | | | | | |
| With own children under 3 years old | 9,659 | 5,721 | 59.2 | 5,354 | 55.4 | 3,783 | 1,571 | 367 | 6.4 |
| 2 years | 2,812 | 1,808 | 64.3 | 1,694 | 60.2 | 1,225 | 469 | 114 | 6.3 |
| 1 year | 3,501 | 2,068 | 59.1 | 1,938 | 55.4 | 1,350 | 589 | 130 | 6.3 |
| Under 1 year | 3,346 | 1,845 | 55.1 | 1,721 | 51.4 | 1,208 | 513 | 123 | 6.7 |
| Married, spouse present | | | | | | | | | |
| With own children under 3 years old | 7,018 | 4,027 | 57.4 | 3,888 | 55.4 | 2,730 | 1,157 | 140 | 3.5 |
| 2 years | 2,076 | 1,281 | 61.7 | 1,230 | 59.2 | 881 | 349 | 51 | 4.0 |
| 1 year | 2,536 | 1,433 | 56.5 | 1,388 | 54.7 | 954 | 434 | 46 | 3.2 |
| Under 1 year | 2,406 | 1,313 | 54.6 | 1,270 | 52.8 | 896 | 374 | 43 | 3.3 |
| Other marital status ³ | | | | | | | | | |
| With own children under 3 years old | 2,641 | 1,694 | 64.1 | 1,466 | 55.5 | 1,052 | 414 | 227 | 13.4 |
| 2 years | 736 | 528 | 71.6 | 464 | 63.1 | 344 | 120 | 63 | 12.0 |
| 1 year | 965 | 635 | 65.8 | 551 | 57.1 | 396 | 155 | 84 | 13.2 |
| Under 1 year | 940 | 531 | 56.5 | 451 | 48.0 | 312 | 139 | 80 | 15.1 |

¹ Usually work 35 hours or more a week at all jobs.

² Usually work less than 35 hours a week at all jobs.

³ Includes never married, divorced, separated, and widowed persons.

NOTE: Own children include sons, daughters, step-children, and adopted children.

Not included are nieces, nephews, grandchildren, and other related and unrelated children. Data may not sum to totals due to rounding. Updated population controls are introduced annually with the release of January data.