

U.S. LABOR MARKET STATISTICS: 1970-2025

(thousands)

Year	Total Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Unemployment Rate
1970	82,771	78,678	4,093	4.9%
1975	93,775	85,846	7,929	8.5%
1980	106,940	99,303	7,637	7.1%
1985	115,461	107,150	8,312	7.2%
1990	125,840	118,793	7,047	5.6%
1995	132,304	124,900	7,404	5.6%
2000	142,583	136,891	5,692	4.0%
2001	143,734	136,933	6,801	4.7%
2002	144,863	136,485	8,378	5.8%
2003	146,510	137,736	8,774	6.0%
2004	147,401	139,252	8,149	5.5%
2005	149,320	141,730	7,591	5.1%
2006	151,428	144,427	7,001	4.6%
2007	153,124	146,047	7,077	4.6%
2008	154,287	145,362	8,925	5.8%
2009	154,142	139,877	14,265	9.3%
2010	153,889	139,064	14,825	9.6%
2011	153,617	139,869	13,748	8.9%
2012	154,975	142,469	12,506	8.1%
2013	155,389	143,929	11,460	7.4%
2014	155,922	146,305	9,617	6.2%
2015	157,130	148,834	8,296	5.3%
2016	159,187	151,436	7,751	4.9%
2017	160,320	153,337	6,983	4.4%
2018	162,075	155,761	6,314	3.9%
2019	163,539	157,538	6,001	3.7%
2020	160,742	147,795	12,947	8.1%
2021	161,204	152,581	8,623	5.3%
2022	164,287	158,291	5,996	3.6%
2023	167,116	161,037	6,079	3.6%
2024	168,106	161,346	6,760	4.0%
2025	170,807	163,493	7,314	4.3%

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Monthly: *				
2023				
January	165,943	160,173	5,770	3.5%
February	166,443	160,457	5,986	3.6%
March	166,707	160,848	5,859	3.5%
April	166,674	160,927	5,747	3.4%
May	166,896	160,812	6,084	3.6%
June	166,958	160,973	5,985	3.6%
July	167,169	161,246	5,923	3.5%
August	167,760	161,485	6,275	3.7%
September	167,725	161,451	6,274	3.7%
October	167,661	161,198	6,463	3.9%
November	168,090	161,863	6,227	3.7%
December	167,388	161,058	6,330	3.8%

2024				
January	167,308	161,133	6,175	3.7%
February	167,569	161,083	6,486	3.9%
March	167,983	161,462	6,521	3.9%
April	167,923	161,438	6,485	3.9%
May	167,807	161,180	6,627	3.9%
June	168,034	161,152	6,882	4.1%
July	168,395	161,297	7,098	4.2%
August	168,492	161,429	7,063	4.2%
September	168,662	161,813	6,849	4.1%
October	168,395	161,444	6,951	4.1%
November	168,248	161,159	7,089	4.2%
December	168,506	161,586	6,920	4.1%

2025				
January	170,696	163,831	6,865	4.0%
February	170,441	163,338	7,103	4.2%
March	170,641	163,509	7,132	4.2%
April	171,054	163,898	7,156	4.2%
May	170,492	163,244	7,248	4.3%
June	170,380	163,327	7,053	4.1%
July	170,412	163,140	7,272	4.3%
August	170,750	163,370	7,380	4.3%
September	171,261	163,656	7,605	4.4%
October	NA	NA	NA	NA
November	171,541	163,760	7,781	4.5%
December	171,495	163,992	7,503	4.4%

* Seasonally Adjusted

Source: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

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