

California Demographic Labor Force

Summary Tables - May 2017

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Employment Status of the Civilian Population by Gender	May-16	Apr-17	May-17	Over the Month Change		Over the Year Change	
				Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total							
Civilian noninstitutional population	30,645	30,891	30,898	7	0.0%	253	0.8%
Civilian labor force	18,980	19,213	19,220	7	0.0%	240	1.3%
Employed	17,909	18,200	18,215	16	0.1%	307	1.7%
Unemployed	1,072	1,014	1,005	-9	-0.8%	-67	-6.2%
Unemployment rate	5.6%	5.3%	5.2%	-0.1	-	-0.4	-
Participation rate	61.9%	62.2%	62.2%	0.0	-	0.3	-
Men, 16 years and over							
Civilian noninstitutional population	14,964	15,093	15,096	3	0.0%	133	0.9%
Civilian labor force	10,381	10,544	10,543	-1	0.0%	163	1.6%
Employed	9,818	10,005	10,011	6	0.1%	193	2.0%
Unemployed	563	539	532	-6	-1.2%	-30	-5.4%
Unemployment rate	5.4%	5.1%	5.0%	-0.1	-	-0.4	-
Participation rate	69.4%	69.9%	69.8%	-0.1	-	0.4	-
Women, 16 years and over							
Civilian noninstitutional population	15,681	15,797	15,801	4	0.0%	121	0.8%
Civilian labor force	8,600	8,670	8,677	8	0.1%	78	0.9%
Employed	8,091	8,195	8,205	10	0.1%	114	1.4%
Unemployed	509	475	473	-2	-0.5%	-36	-7.1%
Unemployment rate	5.9%	5.5%	5.4%	-0.1	-	-0.5	-
Participation rate	54.8%	54.9%	54.9%	0.0	-	0.1	-
Men, 20 years and over							
Civilian noninstitutional population	13,878	14,042	14,046	3	0.0%	168	1.2%
Civilian labor force	10,093	10,252	10,249	-3	0.0%	156	1.5%
Employed	9,588	9,781	9,785	5	0.0%	197	2.1%
Unemployed	505	471	463	-8	-1.6%	-41	-8.2%
Unemployment rate	5.0%	4.6%	4.5%	-0.1	-	-0.5	-
Participation rate	72.7%	73.0%	73.0%	0.0	-	0.2	-
Women, 20 years and over							
Civilian noninstitutional population	14,674	14,762	14,766	4	0.0%	92	0.5%
Civilian labor force	8,315	8,385	8,394	9	-0.2%	78	-1.8%
Employed	7,859	7,955	7,965	10	-0.2%	106	-2.3%
Unemployed	456	430	429	-2	-0.4%	-28	-2.2%
Unemployment rate	5.5%	5.1%	5.1%	0.0	-	-0.4	-
Participation rate	56.7%	56.8%	56.8%	0.0	-	0.2	-
Employment Status of the Civilian Population by Race/Ethnicity	May-16	Apr-17	May-17	Over the Month Change		Over the Year Change	
White				Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Civilian noninstitutional population	22,260	22,330	22,310	-20	-0.1%	51	0.2%
Civilian labor force	13,863	13,883	13,878	-5	0.0%	15	0.1%
Employed	13,095	13,141	13,148	8	0.1%	53	0.4%
Unemployed	767	742	730	-12	-1.6%	-38	-4.9%
Unemployment rate	5.5%	5.3%	5.3%	0.0	-	-0.2	-
Participation rate	62.3%	62.2%	62.2%	0.0	-	-0.1	-
Black							
Civilian noninstitutional population	1,938	1,940	1,941	1	0.1%	3	0.2%
Civilian labor force	1,159	1,169	1,172	3	0.3%	13	1.1%
Employed	1,046	1,077	1,079	3	0.2%	34	3.2%
Unemployed	113	92	92	1	0.6%	-21	-18.3%
Unemployment rate	9.8%	7.9%	7.9%	0.0	-	-1.9	-
Participation rate	59.8%	60.2%	60.4%	0.2	-	0.6	-
Hispanic							
Civilian noninstitutional population	10,551	10,751	10,773	22	0.2%	222	2.1%
Civilian labor force	6,756	6,985	7,002	17	0.2%	246	3.6%
Employed	6,287	6,538	6,561	23	0.3%	275	4.4%
Unemployed	470	446	441	-5	-1.2%	-29	-6.2%
Unemployment rate	7.0%	6.4%	6.3%	-0.1	-	-0.7	-
Participation rate	64.0%	65.0%	65.0%	0.0	-	1.0	-
NOTE: Persons whose ethnicity is identified as Hispanic or Latino may be of any race.							
NOTE: Estimates for the above race groups will not sum to totals shown because data are not presented for all races.							

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Employment Status by Age	May-16	Apr-17	May-17	Over the Month Change		Over the Year Change	
				Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Age 16-19							
Civilian noninstitutional population	2,093	2,086	2,086	0	0.0%	-7	-0.3%
Civilian labor force	572	577	578	1	0.2%	6	1.1%
Employed	461	464	465	0	0.1%	4	0.8%
Unemployed	111	113	113	0	0.4%	2	2.2%
Unemployment rate	19.4%	19.5%	19.6%	0.1	-	0.2	-
Participation rate	27.3%	27.7%	27.7%	0.0	-	0.4	-
Age 20-24							
Civilian noninstitutional population	2,931	2,815	2,815	0	0.0%	-117	-4.0%
Civilian labor force	1,915	1,865	1,873	8	0.5%	-42	-2.2%
Employed	1,729	1,711	1,721	10	0.6%	-8	-0.5%
Unemployed	185	154	152	-2	-1.1%	-34	-18.1%
Unemployment rate	9.7%	8.2%	8.1%	-0.1	-	-1.6	-
Participation rate	65.3%	66.2%	66.5%	0.3	-	1.2	-
Age 25-34							
Civilian noninstitutional population	5,467	5,634	5,641	7	0.1%	174	3.2%
Civilian labor force	4,296	4,538	4,547	9	0.2%	251	5.8%
Employed	4,047	4,296	4,309	13	0.3%	263	6.5%
Unemployed	250	242	238	-4	-1.5%	-12	-4.7%
Unemployment rate	5.8%	5.3%	5.2%	-0.1	-	-0.6	-
Participation rate	78.6%	80.5%	80.6%	0.1	-	2.0	-
Age 35-44							
Civilian noninstitutional population	5,174	5,178	5,167	-11	-0.2%	-7	-0.1%
Civilian labor force	4,128	4,125	4,120	-6	-0.1%	-9	-0.2%
Employed	3,943	3,948	3,942	-6	-0.2%	-1	0.0%
Unemployed	185	177	178	1	0.4%	-7	-4.0%
Unemployment rate	4.5%	4.3%	4.3%	0.0	-	-0.2	-
Participation rate	79.8%	79.7%	79.7%	0.1	-	-0.1	-
Age 45-54							
Civilian noninstitutional population	5,210	5,132	5,111	-21	-0.4%	-99	-1.9%
Civilian labor force	4,088	4,046	4,034	-12	-0.3%	-54	-1.3%
Employed	3,923	3,896	3,886	-10	-0.3%	-37	-0.9%
Unemployed	165	150	148	-2	-1.5%	-18	-10.7%
Unemployment rate	4.0%	3.7%	3.7%	0.0	-	-0.4	-
Participation rate	78.5%	78.8%	78.9%	0.1	-	0.5	-
Age 55-64							
Civilian noninstitutional population	4,670	4,823	4,824	1	0.0%	154	3.3%
Civilian labor force	2,978	3,027	3,030	3	0.1%	52	1.7%
Employed	2,844	2,897	2,901	3	0.1%	56	2.0%
Unemployed	134	130	130	-1	-0.6%	-4	-3.3%
Unemployment rate	4.5%	4.3%	4.3%	0.0	-	-0.2	-
Participation rate	63.8%	62.8%	62.8%	0.0	-	-1.0	-
Age 65+							
Civilian noninstitutional population	5,099	5,222	5,255	33	0.6%	156	3.1%
Civilian labor force	1,003	1,036	1,039	3	0.3%	36	3.6%
Employed	962	987	991	4	0.4%	30	3.1%
Unemployed	41.3%	48.6%	47.3%	0	-2.7%	0	14.6%
Unemployment rate	4.1%	4.7%	4.6%	-0.1	-	0.4	-
Participation rate	19.7%	19.8%	19.8%	-0.1	-	0.1	-
Employment Status by Veteran Status age 20+							
Non-Veterans							
Participation rate	65.6%	65.8%	65.9%	0.1	-	0.3	-
Unemployment rate	5.2%	4.8%	4.8%	0.0	-	-0.4	-
Veterans							
Participation rate	45.9%	46.4%	46.1%	-0.3	-	0.2	-
Unemployment rate	5.2%	5.5%	5.5%	0.0	-	0.3	-
Persons Not in the Labor Force							
Total not in the labor force	11,664	11,677	11,677	0	0.0%	13	0.1%
... but want a job	817	800	794	-6	-0.7%	-23	-2.8%
... and searched for work in previous year	329	316	318	2	0.6%	-12	-3.6%
... and available to work now	240	233	231	-2	-0.7%	-9	-3.6%
... and discouragement over job prospects ⁽¹⁾	68	66	66	0	0.3%	-1	-1.6%
Percent of NILF							
Want a job	7.0%	6.9%	6.8%	0.0	-	-0.2	-
and searched for work in previous year	2.8%	2.7%	2.7%	0.0	-	-0.1	-
and available to work now	2.1%	2.0%	2.0%	0.0	-	-0.1	-
and discouragement over job prospects	0.6%	0.6%	0.6%	0.0	-	0.0	-

(1) Includes those who did not actively look for work in the prior 4 weeks for reasons such as thinks no work available, could not find work, lacks schooling or training, employer thinks too young or old, and other types of discrimination.

Note: "NILF" is "not in the labor force."

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Unemployed Persons by Reason for Unemployment	May-16	Apr-17	May-17	Over the Month Change		Over the Year Change	
				Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total unemployed	1,072	1,014	1,005	-9	-0.8%	-67	-6.2%
Job losers and persons who completed temporary jobs	523	503	494	-9	-1.8%	-29	-5.5%
Job leavers	91	93	94	0	0.4%	3	3.2%
Reentrants	330	287	289	3	1.0%	-41	-12.4%
New entrants	128	131	128	-3	-2.0%	0	0.3%
Unemployed Person by Duration of Unemployment	May-16	Apr-17	May-17	Over the Month Change		Over the Year Change	
Total number unemployed	1,072	1,014	1,005	-9	-0.8%	-67	-6.2%
Less than 5 weeks	305	323	321	-3	-0.8%	16	5.4%
5 to 14 weeks	293	287	282	-5	-1.7%	-11	-3.8%
15 to 26 weeks	177	154	154	-1	-0.4%	-23	-13.0%
27 to 51 weeks	102	92	89	-3	-2.7%	-13	-12.4%
52 weeks and over	196	158	160	2	1.2%	-36	-18.5%
Percent of unemployed (%)							
Less than 5 weeks	28.4%	31.9%	31.9%	0.0	-	3.5	-
5 to 14 weeks	27.3%	28.3%	28.0%	-0.2	-	0.7	-
15 to 26 weeks	16.5%	15.2%	15.3%	0.1	-	-1.2	-
27 to 51 weeks	9.5%	9.0%	8.9%	-0.2	-	-0.6	-
52 weeks and over	18.3%	15.6%	15.9%	0.3	-	-2.4	-
Employment by Work Week Schedule	May-16	Apr-17	May-17	Over the Month Change		Over the Year Change	
Full time worker ⁽¹⁾	14,433	14,749	14,755	6	0.0%	322	2.2%
Part time worker ⁽²⁾	3,476	3,451	3,461	10	0.3%	-16	-0.4%
Not at work	626	682	677	-5	-0.7%	51	8.2%
Percent of employment by work week schedule							
Full time worker	80.6%	81.0%	81.0%	0.0	-	0.4	-
Part time worker	19.4%	19.0%	19.0%	0.0	-	-0.4	-
Not at work	3.5%	3.7%	3.7%	0.0	-	0.2	-
At work part time for economic reasons ⁽³⁾	969	888	863	-25	-2.8%	-106	-10.9%
Usually full time, at work part time for economic reasons	207	203	194	-9	-4.4%	-13	-6.3%
Usually part time, at work part time for economic reasons	761	684	668	-16.2	-2.4%	-93	-12.2%
Percent of at work part time for economic reasons	5.4%	4.9%	4.7%	-0.1	-	-0.7	-
Usually full time, at work part time for economic reasons	1.2%	1.1%	1.1%	0.0	-	-0.1	-
Usually part time, at work part time for economic reasons	4.2%	3.8%	3.7%	-0.1	-	-0.6	-
(1) Employed full time workers are persons who usually work 35 hours or more per week. (2) Employed part time workers are persons who usually work less than 35 hours per week. (3) At work part time for economic reasons refers to those who worked 1 to 34 hours during the reference week for an economic reason such as slack work or unfavorable business conditions, inability to find full time work, or seasonal declines in demand.							
Alternative Measures of Labor Underutilization	May-16	Apr-17	May-17	Over the Month Change		Over the Year Change	
U-1 Persons unemployed 15 weeks or longer, as a percent of the civilian labor force	2.5%	2.1%	2.1%	0.0	-	-0.4	-
U-2 Job losers and persons who completed temporary jobs, as a percent of the civilian labor force	2.8%	2.6%	2.6%	0.0	-	-0.2	-
U-3 Total unemployed, as a percent of the civilian labor force (official unemployment rate)	5.6%	5.3%	5.2%	0.0	-	-0.4	-
U-4 Total unemployed plus discouraged workers, as a percent of the civilian labor force plus discouraged workers	6.0%	5.6%	5.6%	0.0	-	-0.4	-
U-5 Total unemployed, plus discouraged workers, plus all other persons marginally attached to the labor force, as a percent of the civilian labor force plus all persons marginally attached to the labor force	6.8%	6.4%	6.4%	-0.1	-	-0.5	-
U-6 Total unemployed, plus all persons marginally attached to the labor force, plus total employed part time for economic reasons, as a percent of the civilian labor force plus all persons marginally attached to the labor force	11.9%	11.0%	10.8%	-0.2	-	-1.1	-
NOTE: Persons marginally attached to the labor force are those who currently are neither working nor looking for work but indicate that they want and are available for a job and have looked for work sometime in the past 12 months. Discouraged workers, a subset of the marginally attached, have given a job-market related reason for not currently looking for work. Persons employed part time for economic reasons are those who want and are available for full time work but have had to settle for a part time schedule. Updated population controls are introduced annually with the release of January data.							
Note: Data may not add due to rounding Source: Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, Current Population Survey, Employment Summary Tables							