

28. Unemployed persons by reason for unemployment, race, and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity

(Numbers in thousands)

Reason	White ¹		Black or African American ¹		Asian ¹		Hispanic or Latino ethnicity	
	2002	2003	2002	2003	2002	2003	2002	2003
NUMBER OF UNEMPLOYED								
Total unemployed	6,137	6,311	1,693	1,787	389	366	1,353	1,441
Job losers and persons who completed temporary jobs	3,491	3,613	840	876	202	195	736	807
On temporary layoff	921	924	148	138	34	27	216	224
Not on temporary layoff	2,570	2,689	691	738	168	169	520	583
Permanent job losers	2,029	2,085	488	530	146	144	350	393
Persons who completed temporary jobs	541	604	203	208	22	25	171	190
Job leavers	684	619	135	132	37	37	117	103
Reentrants	1,619	1,676	576	614	112	88	384	398
New entrants	342	403	142	165	39	46	117	133
PERCENT DISTRIBUTION								
Total unemployed	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Job losers and persons who completed temporary jobs	56.9	57.3	49.6	49.0	51.8	53.4	54.4	56.0
On temporary layoff	15.0	14.6	8.8	7.7	8.7	7.2	15.9	15.6
Not on temporary layoff	41.9	42.6	40.8	41.3	43.2	46.1	38.4	40.5
Job leavers	11.2	9.8	8.0	7.4	9.5	10.1	8.6	7.1
Reentrants	26.4	26.6	34.0	34.4	28.7	23.9	28.4	27.6
New entrants	5.6	6.4	8.4	9.2	10.0	12.6	8.6	9.2
UNEMPLOYED AS A PERCENT OF THE CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE								
Job losers and persons who completed temporary jobs	2.9	3.0	5.1	5.3	3.1	3.2	4.1	4.3
Job leavers6	.5	.8	.8	.6	.6	.7	.5
Reentrants	1.3	1.4	3.5	3.7	1.7	1.4	2.1	2.1
New entrants3	.3	.9	1.0	.6	.8	.7	.7

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. For more information, see the "Explanatory Notes and Estimates of Error" section of this publication.
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. Beginning in January 2003, data reflect revised population controls used in the household survey.