

	Mar. 2016	Apr. 2016	May 2016	Jun. 2016	Jul. 2016	Aug. 2016
<b>Unemployment Rate</b>	<b>5.0%</b>	<b>5.0%</b>	<b>4.7%</b>	<b>4.9%</b>	<b>4.9%</b>	<b>4.9%</b>
Unemployed Americans (In millions)	8.0	7.9	7.4	7.8	7.8	7.9
<b>U-6 Total Unemployment Rate</b> <i>Includes part time and marginally attached workers</i>	<b>9.8%</b>	<b>9.7%</b>	<b>9.7%</b>	<b>9.6%</b>	<b>9.7%</b>	<b>9.7%</b>
U-6 Total Unemployed Americans (In millions) <i>Includes part time and marginally attached workers</i>	15.8	15.7	15.5	15.6	15.4	15.6
<b>Labor Force Participation Rate</b>	<b>63.0%</b>	<b>62.8%</b>	<b>62.6%</b>	<b>62.7%</b>	<b>62.8%</b>	<b>62.8%</b>
Civilian Labor Force (In millions) <i>Number of people in the Workforce</i>	159.3	158.9	158.5	158.9	159.3	159.5
<b>Unemployment Rate Under Historic Labor Force Participation norm of 66%</b>	<b>9.3%</b>	<b>9.6%</b>	<b>9.6%</b>	<b>9.7%</b>	<b>9.5%</b>	<b>9.5%</b>

Total Unemployment Rate - as measured by the BLS, U-6 designation - all persons marginally attached to the labor force, plus total employed part time for economic reasons and marginally attached to the labor force.

Labor Force Participation Rate is the percentage of the total work-ready population participating in the work force. (Working, looking for a job, etc) This figure had held between 66 and 67 percent from 1989 until 2009.

The economy has hovered since August, 2013 at the lowest percentage of Americans participating in the labor force since the late 1970s.