Table 28. Percent distribution of employed persons by age, sex, and alternative work arrangements, February 2005

Age and sex	Total employed (in thousands)	Total	Percent of workers with alternative arrangements <sup>1</sup>				
			Independent contractors	On-call workers	Temporary help agency workers	Workers provided by contract firms	Workers with traditional arrangements
Total, 16 years and over	138,952	100.0	7.4	1.8	0.9	0.6	89.1
16 to 19 years	5,510	100.0	1.6	2.4	.6	.1	94.3
20 to 24 years	13,114	100.0	2.7	2.7	1.5	.7	91.9
25 to 34 years	30,103	100.0	5.0	1.8	1.2	.7	91.1
35 to 44 years	34,481	100.0	8.0	1.7	.7	.6	88.9
45 to 54 years	32,947	100.0	8.5	1.3	.6	.6	89.0
55 to 64 years	17,980	100.0	10.8	1.5	.8	.6	86.2
65 years and over	4,817	100.0	18.3	3.6	.7	.4	76.8
Women, 16 years and over	65,006	100.0	5.6	1.9	1.0	.4	91.0
16 to 19 years	2,931	100.0	1.9	1.8	.3	-	95.7
20 to 24 years	6,186	100.0	2.6	2.5	1.5	.4	92.5
25 to 34 years	13,480	100.0	3.8	1.8	1.3	.5	92.6
35 to 44 years	15,958	100.0	5.8	2.0	.8	.4	91.0
45 to 54 years	15,754	100.0	6.6	1.3	.8	.3	90.9
55 to 64 years	8,495	100.0	7.7	1.9	1.0	.5	88.8
65 years and over	2,202	100.0	13.3	3.8	.8	.7	81.1
Men, 16 years and over	73,946	100.0	9.1	1.7	.8	.8	87.5
16 to 19 years	2,579	100.0	1.2	3.2	.9	.3	92.6
20 to 24 years	6,928	100.0	2.8	2.9	1.5	.9	91.4
25 to 34 years	16,624	100.0	6.1	1.8	1.1	.8	89.9
35 to 44 years	18,523	100.0	9.8	1.4	.6	.8	87.1
45 to 54 years	17,193	100.0	10.3	1.2	.4	.8	87.3
55 to 64 years	9,485	100.0	13.6	1.1	.5	.7	83.9
65 years and over	2,615	100.0	22.5	3.5	.6	.1	73.3

¹ Independent contractors are workers who were identified as independent contractors, independent consultants, or freelance workers, whether they were self-employed or wage and salary workers. On-call workers are workers who are called to work only as needed, although they can be scheduled to work for several days or weeks in a row. Temporary help agency workers are workers who were paid by a temporary help agency, whether or not their job was temporary. Workers provided by contract firms are workers who are employed by a company that provides them or their services to others under contract and who are usually assigned to only one customer and usually work at the customer's worksite.

NOTE: Workers with traditional arrangements are those who do not fall into any of the "alternative arrangements" categories. Detail may not sum to totals because the total employed includes day laborers (an alternative arrangement, not shown separately) and a small number of workers who were both "on call" and "provided by contract firms." Dash represents zero.

SOURCE: Contingent and alternative work arrangements supplement to the Current Population Survey, February 2005, U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics