



NOTE: Shaded areas represent recessions. Data are seasonally adjusted. Beginning in 1994, data reflect the introduction of a major redesign of the Current Population Survey that included changes affecting the measurement of part-time workers and self-employment.

SOURCE: Bureau of Labor Statistics

Chart 3-1. Fewer than 2 in 10 employed persons work part time; fewer than 1 in 10 workers is self-employed

- In 2005, about 17 percent of all employed persons usually worked part time (less than 35 hours per week). For the vast majority of these workers, a parttime schedule was preferred.
- The pronounced upward shift in part-time employment in January 1994 was due to definitional and measurement changes associated with the redesign of the Current Population Survey.
- In 2005, about 7 percent of all workers were self-employed.