

Table 30. Labor force status of 2009 high school graduates and 2008–09 high school dropouts 16 to 24 years old by school enrollment and sex, October 2009

(Numbers in thousands)

Characteristic	Civilian noninstitutional population	Civilian labor force						Not in labor force
		Total	Percent of population	Employed		Unemployed		
				Total	Percent of population	Total	Percent of labor force	
Total, 2009 high school graduates¹....	2,937	1,482	50.5	1,062	36.1	421	28.4	1,455
Women.....	1,531	758	49.5	549	35.8	210	27.7	772
Men.....	1,407	724	51.5	513	36.5	211	29.1	683
Enrolled in college.....	2,058	867	42.1	662	32.1	205	23.7	1,192
Percent of total 2009 graduates.....	70.1	58.5	-	62.3	-	48.7	-	81.9
Women.....	1,130	488	43.2	367	32.5	121	24.8	642
Percent of female 2009 graduates...	73.8	64.4	-	66.8	-	57.6	-	83.2
Men.....	928	379	40.8	294	31.7	84	22.2	550
Percent of male 2009 graduates.....	66.0	52.3	-	57.3	-	39.8	-	80.5
Not enrolled in college.....	879	616	70.0	400	45.5	216	35.0	263
Percent of total 2009 graduates.....	29.9	41.6	-	37.7	-	51.3	-	18.1
Women.....	401	270	67.4	181	45.2	89	32.9	130
Percent of female 2009 graduates...	26.2	35.6	-	33.0	-	42.4	-	16.8
Men.....	478	345	72.2	219	45.7	127	36.7	133
Percent of male 2009 graduates.....	34.0	47.7	-	42.7	-	60.2	-	19.5
Total, 2008–09 high school dropouts²..	383	186	48.5	83	21.8	103	55.1	198
Women.....	179	61	34.2	27	15.2	34	(³)	117
Men.....	205	125	60.9	56	27.5	69	54.9	80

¹ Data refer to persons who graduated from high school in January through October 2009.

² Data refer to persons who dropped out of school between October 2008 and October 2009.

³ Data not shown where base is less than 75,000.

NOTE: Because of rounding, sums of individual items may not equal totals.

SOURCE: October 2009 School Enrollment Supplement to the Current Population Survey, U.S. Department of Labor, U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.