

**HOUSEHOLD DATA
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED
QUARTERLY AVERAGES**

E-18. Unemployed persons by duration of unemployment, race, and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity
[Numbers in thousands]

Duration	Total		White		Black or African American		Asian		Hispanic or Latino	
	4th 2011	4th 2012	4th 2011	4th 2012	4th 2011	4th 2012	4th 2011	4th 2012	4th 2011	4th 2012
NUMBER OF UNEMPLOYED										
Total unemployed.....	12,802	11,663	9,143	8,108	2,660	2,485	513	496	2,568	2,375
Less than 5 weeks.....	2,460	2,477	1,912	1,842	375	410	84	95	543	594
5 to 14 weeks.....	2,829	2,671	2,080	1,870	539	547	97	111	617	537
15 weeks and over.....	7,514	6,515	5,151	4,395	1,746	1,528	332	289	1,409	1,244
15 to 26 weeks.....	1,925	1,769	1,351	1,200	421	384	75	84	392	317
27 weeks and over.....	5,589	4,746	3,800	3,195	1,325	1,145	257	205	1,016	927
Average (mean) duration, in weeks ¹	40.2	39.3	38.3	38.6	45.8	42.4	49.7	42.4	36.2	38.6
Median duration, in weeks.....	21.3	19.3	19.6	18.0	27.6	24.2	27.9	20.4	18.2	17.0
PERCENT DISTRIBUTION										
Total unemployed.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Less than 5 weeks.....	19.2	21.2	20.9	22.7	14.1	16.5	16.4	19.2	21.1	25.0
5 to 14 weeks.....	22.1	22.9	22.7	23.1	20.3	22.0	18.9	22.5	24.0	22.6
15 weeks and over.....	58.7	55.9	56.3	54.2	65.6	61.5	64.7	58.3	54.9	52.4
15 to 26 weeks.....	15.0	15.2	14.8	14.8	15.8	15.4	14.6	17.0	15.3	13.4
27 weeks and over.....	43.7	40.7	41.6	39.4	49.8	46.1	50.1	41.3	39.6	39.0

¹ Beginning in January 2011, this series reflects a change to the collection of data on unemployment duration. For more information, see www.bls.gov/cps/duration.htm.

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. Persons whose ethnicity is identified as Hispanic or Latino may be of any race. Updated population controls are introduced annually with the release of January data.