

**HOUSEHOLD DATA
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED**

A-38. Persons not in the labor force by desire and availability for work, age, and sex

[In thousands]

Category	Total		Age						Sex			
	Mar. 2013	Mar. 2014	16 to 24 years		25 to 54 years		55 years and over		Men		Women	
			Mar. 2013	Mar. 2014	Mar. 2013	Mar. 2014	Mar. 2013	Mar. 2014	Mar. 2013	Mar. 2014	Mar. 2013	Mar. 2014
Total not in the labor force.....	90,483	91,630	18,325	17,820	23,640	23,414	48,519	50,396	36,071	36,809	54,412	54,822
Do not want a job now ¹	84,084	85,739	16,315	15,966	20,841	20,939	46,929	48,834	33,027	33,967	51,057	51,772
Want a job ¹	6,399	5,891	2,010	1,854	2,799	2,475	1,590	1,562	3,044	2,841	3,354	3,050
Did not search for work in previous year.....	3,417	3,108	994	942	1,404	1,180	1,019	986	1,518	1,456	1,899	1,653
Searched for work in previous year, but not in past 4 weeks ²	2,982	2,783	1,016	912	1,395	1,295	571	576	1,526	1,386	1,456	1,397
Not available to work now.....	656	615	271	269	293	243	92	104	272	241	384	374
Marginally attached (available to work now) ³	2,326	2,168	745	643	1,102	1,052	479	473	1,255	1,145	1,072	1,024
Discouraged over job prospects ⁴	803	698	188	172	394	344	222	182	512	430	291	269
Reasons other than discouragement.....	1,523	1,470	557	472	708	708	258	290	742	715	781	755
Family responsibilities.....	175	223	23	39	123	131	29	53	56	72	119	152
In school or training.....	381	261	305	217	71	38	5	6	226	145	155	116
Ill health or disability.....	148	196	12	11	77	110	58	74	60	78	88	117
Other ⁵	819	790	216	204	437	429	165	157	401	420	418	370

¹ Includes some persons who are not asked if they want a job.

² Persons who had a job in the prior 12 months must have searched since the end of that job.

³ Persons "marginally attached to the labor force" are those who want a job, have searched for work during the prior 12 months, and were available to take a job during the reference week, but had not looked for work in the past 4 weeks.

⁴ Discouraged workers are persons marginally attached to the labor force who did not actively look for work in the prior 4 weeks for reasons such as thinks no work available, could not find work, lacks schooling or training, employer thinks too young or old, and other types of discrimination.

⁵ Includes those who did not actively look for work in the prior 4 weeks for such reasons as child-care and transportation problems, as well as a small number for which reason for nonparticipation was not ascertained.

NOTE: Updated population controls are introduced annually with the release of January data.