

**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			
	July 2013	July 2014	16 to 24 years		25 to 54 years		55 years and over		Men		Women	
			July 2013	July 2014	July 2013	July 2014	July 2013	July 2014	July 2013	July 2014	July 2013	July 2014
Total not in the labor force.....	88,560	90,451	15,355	15,298	23,628	24,073	49,577	51,081	34,630	35,503	53,930	54,947
Do not want a job now ¹	81,698	83,827	13,134	13,213	20,803	21,221	47,761	49,393	31,517	32,653	50,181	51,175
Want a job ¹	6,862	6,624	2,222	2,084	2,825	2,852	1,815	1,687	3,113	2,851	3,749	3,773
Did not search for work in previous year.....	3,804	3,752	1,227	1,156	1,394	1,509	1,183	1,088	1,636	1,522	2,168	2,231
Searched for work in previous year, but not in past 4 weeks ²	3,058	2,871	995	929	1,431	1,343	632	600	1,477	1,329	1,581	1,542
Not available to work now.....	644	693	226	238	325	358	93	97	217	260	426	434
Marginally attached (available to work now) ³	2,414	2,178	769	691	1,106	984	539	503	1,260	1,069	1,154	1,108
Discouraged over job prospects ⁴	988	741	284	208	482	287	222	245	572	444	416	297
Reasons other than discouragement.....	1,426	1,437	485	482	623	697	318	257	688	626	738	811
Family responsibilities.....	210	244	51	36	102	151	57	57	61	57	149	187
In school or training.....	194	201	152	116	40	84	3	0	99	116	95	85
Ill health or disability.....	122	154	18	19	57	74	47	61	74	59	48	95
Other ⁵	899	839	265	311	424	388	210	139	454	395	445	444

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.