

**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 2014	4th 2015	4th 2014	4th 2015	4th 2014	4th 2015	4th 2014	4th 2015	4th 2014	4th 2015
NUMBER OF UNEMPLOYED										
Total unemployed.....	8,547	7,571	5,668	5,124	1,993	1,703	407	343	1,664	1,616
Less than 5 weeks.....	2,258	2,204	1,626	1,598	409	381	94	107	509	557
5 to 14 weeks.....	2,184	2,104	1,452	1,457	489	445	101	87	412	420
15 weeks and over.....	4,106	3,263	2,590	2,068	1,096	876	212	149	743	638
15 to 26 weeks.....	1,339	1,222	865	774	328	329	63	47	267	247
27 weeks and over.....	2,767	2,041	1,725	1,294	768	548	149	101	477	392
Average (mean) duration, in weeks ¹	33.4	28.5	31.4	27.2	38.7	32.9	40.8	32.1	30.2	24.2
Median duration, in weeks.....	13.6	11.4	12.4	10.3	18.5	15.4	16.1	11.2	12.0	9.7
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.....	26.4	29.1	28.7	31.2	20.5	22.4	23.0	31.3	30.6	34.5
5 to 14 weeks.....	25.5	27.8	25.6	28.4	24.5	26.1	24.8	25.4	24.8	26.0
15 weeks and over.....	48.0	43.1	45.7	40.4	55.0	51.5	52.2	43.4	44.7	39.5
15 to 26 weeks.....	15.7	16.1	15.3	15.1	16.5	19.3	15.6	13.8	16.0	15.3
27 weeks and over.....	32.4	27.0	30.4	25.3	38.5	32.2	36.6	29.6	28.6	24.2

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.