

**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			
	June 2015	June 2016	16 to 24 years		25 to 54 years		55 years and over		Men		Women	
			June 2015	June 2016	June 2015	June 2016	June 2015	June 2016	June 2015	June 2016	June 2015	June 2016
Total not in the labor force.....	92,380	93,262	15,682	15,703	24,215	23,838	52,482	53,721	36,571	36,638	55,809	56,625
Do not want a job now ¹	85,819	87,162	13,344	13,608	21,599	21,374	50,875	52,180	33,562	33,874	52,257	53,288
Want a job ¹	6,561	6,101	2,338	2,096	2,616	2,464	1,607	1,541	3,009	2,764	3,552	3,336
Did not search for work in previous year.....	3,883	3,538	1,423	1,181	1,414	1,276	1,046	1,082	1,755	1,541	2,128	1,997
Searched for work in previous year, but not in past 4 weeks ²	2,678	2,562	915	915	1,202	1,188	561	459	1,254	1,223	1,424	1,340
Not available to work now.....	764	784	386	342	326	357	52	85	356	326	408	458
Marginally attached (available to work now) ³	1,914	1,779	530	573	876	831	509	375	898	897	1,016	882
Discouraged over job prospects ⁴	653	502	170	132	320	232	163	139	384	294	269	208
Reasons other than discouragement.....	1,261	1,277	360	441	555	600	346	236	514	603	747	674
Family responsibilities.....	222	204	28	28	126	139	68	37	54	66	168	138
In school or training.....	216	218	142	189	71	29	3	0	88	126	128	92
Ill health or disability.....	189	110	9	15	67	41	112	54	75	67	114	43
Other ⁵	635	745	181	209	292	391	162	144	297	343	338	402

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.