

**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	
	1st 2017	1st 2018	1st 2017	1st 2018	1st 2017	1st 2018	1st 2017	1st 2018	1st 2017	1st 2018
NUMBER OF UNEMPLOYED										
Total unemployed.....	7,774	6,984	5,409	4,827	1,605	1,475	340	304	1,611	1,517
Less than 5 weeks.....	2,383	2,318	1,729	1,652	407	427	94	95	546	559
5 to 14 weeks.....	2,336	2,173	1,677	1,565	450	417	99	78	496	486
15 weeks and over.....	3,054	2,492	2,003	1,610	748	631	147	131	569	472
15 to 26 weeks.....	1,205	1,018	782	695	301	220	50	47	249	219
27 weeks and over.....	1,849	1,474	1,221	915	446	411	97	84	320	253
Average (mean) duration, in weeks ¹	24.9	23.4	23.9	21.8	28.8	27.9	28.8	31.0	21.4	18.8
Median duration, in weeks.....	10.4	9.5	9.8	9.0	13.2	11.4	11.3	11.3	9.3	8.4
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.....	30.7	33.2	32.0	34.2	25.4	29.0	27.5	31.3	33.9	36.9
5 to 14 weeks.....	30.0	31.1	31.0	32.4	28.0	28.2	29.2	25.7	30.8	32.0
15 weeks and over.....	39.3	35.7	37.0	33.4	46.6	42.8	43.3	43.0	35.3	31.1
15 to 26 weeks.....	15.5	14.6	14.5	14.4	18.8	14.9	14.8	15.4	15.4	14.4
27 weeks and over.....	23.8	21.1	22.6	19.0	27.8	27.9	28.5	27.6	19.9	16.7

¹ Beginning in January 2011, this series reflects a change to the collection of data on unemployment duration. For more information, see <https://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.