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EMPLOYMENT SITUATION OF VETERANS: 2007

In 2007, the unemployment rate among veterans who served in the U.S. Armed Forces since September 2001 was 6.1 percent, the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) of the U.S. Department of Labor reported today. About 17 percent of these veterans, also called Gulf War-era II veterans, had a service-connected disability in August 2007. The jobless rate for veterans of all eras combined was 3.8 percent in 2007. About 12 percent of all veterans had a service-connected disability in August 2007.

This information on veterans was obtained from the Current Population Survey (CPS), a monthly sample survey of about 60,000 households that provides official statistics on employment and unemployment in the United States. Data about veterans are collected monthly in the CPS; those monthly data are the source of the 2007 annual averages presented in this release. In August 2007, a supplement to the CPS collected additional information about veterans on topics such as service-connected disability. Information from the supplement also is presented in this release. The supplement was co-sponsored by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs and the Veterans' Employment and Training Service, an agency of the U.S. Department of Labor. For more information, see the box note on page 4 and the technical note, which provides definitions of terms, including periods of service, used in this release. Other findings from the 2007 annual averages and August 2007 supplement include:

- Young male veterans (those ages 18 to 24) who served during Gulf War era II had an unemployment rate of 11.2 percent in 2007, not statistically different from the jobless rate of young male nonveterans (10.5 percent). Young male veterans were more likely to be in the labor force than their nonveteran counterparts.
- Gulf War-era II veterans who were current or past members of the Reserve or National Guard had an unemployment rate of 2.6 percent, compared with a rate of 8.1 percent for those who had not been members.
- The unemployment rate for disabled veterans was 3.4 percent in August 2007, essentially the same as the rate for nondisabled veterans (3.5 percent).
- One-third of employed veterans with a service-connected disability worked in the public sector; 16 percent were employed by the federal government.

The Veteran Population

In the CPS, veterans are defined as men and women who have previously served on active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces and who were civilians at the time they were surveyed. In 2007, 22.6 million men and women in the civilian noninstitutional population ages 18 and over were veterans. The veteran population differs from the nonveteran population in several ways. Veterans are more likely to be men, white, and older than nonveterans. In part, this reflects the characteristics of veterans who served during World War II, the Korean War, and the Vietnam era. Veterans who served during these wars account for about one-half (12.3 million) of the total veteran population. A total of 4.3 million veterans served during Gulf War era I (August 1990 to August 2001) or Gulf War era II (September 2001 forward). Another 6.0 million served outside the designated wartime periods. (See table 1.) Because age and other demographic differences affect employment and unemployment status, the groups of veterans listed above are examined separately in the next sections.

Gulf War-era II Veterans

About 1.5 million veterans served during Gulf War era II. As with all period-of-service groups, men accounted for the vast majority (84 percent) of Gulf War-era II veterans. However, the proportion of veterans who were women was much higher among veterans who served in Gulf War era II (16 percent) than among those who served in earlier periods. In 2007, about two-thirds of all Gulf War-era II veterans were under the age of 35. (See tables 1 and 2.)

In 2007, a large majority (86.5 percent) of Gulf War-era II veterans participated in the labor force, and their unemployment rate was 6.1 percent. For those ages 18 to 24, the unemployment rate was 12.0 percent, twice that of Gulf War-era II veterans ages 25 to 34 (6.0 percent). Among men ages 18 to 24, the unemployment rate of Gulf War-era II veterans (11.2 percent) was about the same as the rate of nonveterans (10.5 percent). In general, Gulf War-era II veterans had unemployment rates that were not statistically different from those of nonveterans of the same age and gender.

Nearly one-third of employed male veterans of Gulf War era II worked in management, professional, and related occupations, about the same proportion as male nonveterans. Sales and office occupations; natural resources, construction, and maintenance occupations; and production, transportation, and material moving occupations each accounted for about 18 percent of employed male veterans and nonveterans. (See table 3.)

Among female veterans of Gulf War era II, nearly 40 percent were employed in management and professional occupations, with another 33 percent working in sales and office jobs. These proportions were virtually the same as those for female nonveterans.

Gulf War-era I Veterans

For the 2.9 million veterans who served during Gulf War era I (August 1990 to August 2001), the proportion that were men was similar to that of Gulf War-era II veterans. In 2007, about two-thirds of Gulf War-era I veterans were ages 35 and over, compared with one-third of those from Gulf War era II.

Nearly 90 percent of veterans from Gulf War era I were in the labor force in 2007, somewhat higher than the rate of Gulf War-era II veterans. The unemployment rate for Gulf War-era I veterans (3.5 percent) was lower than the rate for Gulf War-era II veterans (6.1 percent). These differences in labor force participation and unemployment rates probably reflect the older age distribution of veterans who served in Gulf

War era I. Labor force participation rates and unemployment rates of Gulf War-era I veterans were similar to those of nonveterans of the same age and gender.

Veterans of Earlier Service Periods

In 2007, there were about 12 million veterans who had served during World War II, the Korean War, or the Vietnam era. Nearly all of these veterans were at least 55 years old, and one-half were at least 65 years old. About 97 percent of these veterans were men.

About 40 percent of male veterans of these earlier wartime periods were in the labor force in 2007, and their unemployment rate was 3.4 percent. As with nonveterans, the labor force participation rates for these veterans decreased with age; the rate for veterans ages 45 to 54 was 78.9 percent, while the rate for those ages 65 and over was 14.8 percent. In contrast, the unemployment rates for these veterans were similar across the age groups.

Male veterans of these wartime periods (World War II, the Korean War, and the Vietnam era) had lower labor force participation rates than male nonveterans in the same age categories. The unemployment rates of these veterans and nonveterans were about the same, however.

Six million veterans served on active duty during “other service periods,” mainly between the Korean War and the Vietnam era, and between the Vietnam era and Gulf War era I. (See table 1.) Because these veterans served between the major wartime periods, which span several decades, this group has a diverse age profile. About 37 percent of these veterans were at least 65 years old. Another 34 percent were between ages 45 and 54, and 21 percent were ages 35 to 44. Ninety-one percent were men.

Among most age groups, male veterans of service periods between the designated wartime periods had labor force participation rates and unemployment rates similar to those of male nonveterans.

Disabled Veterans

In August 2007, about 2.6 million veterans, or 12 percent of the total, reported having a service-connected disability. (Some veterans did not report whether they had a service-connected disability.) Veterans with a service-connected disability are assigned a disability rating by the Department of Veterans Affairs. Ratings range from 0 to 100 percent, in increments of 10 percentage points, depending on the severity of the condition. About 40 percent of disabled veterans reported a disability rating of less than 30 percent, while 25 percent had a rating of 60 percent or higher. (See table 5.)

Among veterans who served in Gulf War era II, about 17 percent (260,000) reported having a service-connected disability, one-fifth of whom had a rating of 60 percent or more. Of Gulf War-era II veterans with a disability, 87.8 percent were in the labor force, about the same as the rate for nondisabled veterans from this period. The unemployment rate of disabled veterans from Gulf War eras I and II combined was 2.0 percent, while the rate for nondisabled veterans was 4.4 percent; in statistical terms, these rates are not significantly different.

Thirty percent of disabled veterans of World War II, the Korean War, and the Vietnam era were in the labor force in August 2007, compared with 40.5 percent of veterans from these periods who did not have a service-connected disability. The unemployment rate of disabled veterans of these earlier wartime periods was 5.4 percent; for their nondisabled peers, it was 3.3 percent. (See table 5.)

Disabled veterans who were on active duty during other (non-wartime) service periods had a 58.0 percent labor force participation rate, essentially the same as the rate for nondisabled veterans from these

periods (59.9 percent). The unemployment rate of disabled veterans from other service periods was 3.2 percent; for the nondisabled, it was 2.8 percent.

About 33 percent of disabled veterans were employed in federal, state, or local government, compared with 18 percent of nondisabled veterans and 14 percent of nonveterans. About 16 percent of employed disabled veterans worked for the federal government. This compared with 7 percent of nondisabled veterans and 2 percent of nonveterans. (See table 6.)

Reserve and National Guard Membership

The August 2007 supplement collected information about Gulf War-era veterans' membership in the Reserve or National Guard. Among Gulf War-era II veterans, about 38 percent were reported to be current or past members of the Reserve or National Guard; the proportion for Gulf War-era I veterans was 32 percent. About half of both Gulf War-era II and Gulf War-era I veterans had never belonged to the Reserve or National Guard. Information on Reserve or National Guard status was not reported for a substantial proportion of both groups.

For Gulf War-era II veterans, those who were current or past members of the Reserve or National Guard had an unemployment rate of 2.6 percent, compared with a rate of 8.1 percent for those who had never been members. Labor force participation rates did not differ significantly by Reserve or National Guard membership for Gulf War-era II veterans. For veterans of Gulf War era I, both labor force participation rates and unemployment rates were similar regardless of Reserve or National Guard membership. (See table 7.)

Changes in the News Releases on Veterans

Since 1985, BLS has issued news releases biennially that focused on the results from the Current Population Survey (CPS) veterans supplements. This is the first news release in the series to combine annual average and supplement data from the CPS. This release is also the first to contain detailed information on veterans who served in the Armed Forces since September 2001, also referred to as Gulf War-era II veterans.

BLS plans to issue alternating news releases on veterans. In odd-numbered years, the release will include only the annual average data for the previous year. In even-numbered years, that is, the years following the biennial veterans supplements, the news release will include both annual average and supplement data.

Technical Note

The estimates in this release are obtained from the Current Population Survey (CPS), which provides basic information on the labor force, employment, and unemployment. The survey is conducted monthly for the Bureau of Labor Statistics by the U.S. Census Bureau from a scientifically selected national sample of about 60,000 households.

Most of the data in this release are annual averages for 2007, compiled from the results of the monthly survey. Some of the data, such as those related to service-connected disability and Reserve or National Guard status, are from special questions asked as part of the latest biennial veterans supplement to the CPS, which was conducted in August 2007. The supplement was co-sponsored by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs and by the U.S. Department of Labor's Veterans' Employment and Training Service. Questions were asked of persons 17 years of age and older regarding their prior service in the U.S. Armed Forces. Data are tabulated for persons 18 years of age and older.

Information in this release will be made available to sensory impaired individuals upon request. Voice phone: (202) 691-5200; TDD message referral phone number: 1-800-877-8339.

Definitions

The definitions underlying the data in this release are as follows:

Veterans are men and women who previously served on active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces. Members of the Reserve and National Guard are counted as veterans if they had ever been called to active duty. Persons who are on active duty at the time of the survey are outside the scope of the survey and thus not in the estimates shown here, as are persons who reside in institutions, such as nursing homes and prisons.

Nonveterans are men and women who never served on active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces.

World War II, Korean War, Vietnam-era, and Gulf War-era veterans are men and women who served in the Armed Forces during these periods, regardless of where they served. Veterans who served in more than one wartime period are classified in the most recent one.

Veterans of other service periods are men and women who served in the Armed Forces at any time other than World War II, the Korean War, the Vietnam era, or the Gulf War era. Although U.S. Armed Forces were engaged in several armed conflicts during other service periods, these conflicts were more limited in scope and included a smaller proportion of the Armed Forces than the selected wartime periods. Veterans who served during one of the selected wartime periods and during another period are classified in the wartime period.

Veteran status is obtained from responses to the question, "Did you ever serve on active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces?"

Period of service is obtained from answers to the question asked of veterans, "When did you serve on active duty in the

U.S. Armed Forces?" The following service periods are identified:

Gulf War era II — September 2001–present
 Gulf War era I — August 1990–August 2001
 May 1975–July 1990
 Vietnam era — August 1964–April 1975
 February 1955–July 1964
 Korean War — July 1950–January 1955
 January 1947–June 1950
 World War II — December 1941–December 1946
 November 1941 or earlier

Period-of-service definitions are modified occasionally to reflect changes in law, regulations, and program needs of the survey sponsors.

Presence of service-connected disability is provided by answers to the question, "Has the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) or Department of Defense (DoD) determined that you have a service-connected disability, that is, a health condition or impairment caused or made worse by any of your military service?"

Service-connected disability rating is based on answers to the question, "What is your current service-connected disability rating?" Answers can range from 0 to 100 percent, in increments of 10 percentage points. Ratings are determined by the VA or DoD from a rating schedule published in the Code of Federal Regulations, Title 38, "Pensions, Bonuses, and Veterans' Relief," Part 4—"Schedule for Rating Disabilities." The rating schedule is "primarily a guide in the evaluation of disability resulting from all types of diseases and injuries encountered as a result of or incident to military service. The percentage ratings represent, as far as can practicably be determined, the average impairment in earning capacity resulting from such diseases and injuries and their residual conditions in civil occupations." Part 4 contains a listing of hundreds of possible disorders and assigns ratings of 0 through 100 percent in steps of 10 percent for each, with instructions for rating multiple disorders.

Reserve or National Guard status is obtained from answers to two questions. Gulf War-era veterans were asked: "Was any of your active service the result of a call-up from the Reserve or National Guard?" If the answer was no, they were asked, "Have you ever been a member of the Reserve or National Guard?" A 'yes' response to either question classified persons as "Current or past member of the Reserve or National Guard." A 'no' response to the latter question classified persons as "Never a member of the Reserve or National Guard." These questions were asked only of Gulf War-era veterans.

Reliability of the estimates

Statistics based on the CPS are subject to both sampling and nonsampling error. When a sample, rather than the entire population, is surveyed, there is a chance that the sample

estimates will differ from the "true" population values they represent. The exact difference, or *sampling error*, varies depending on the particular sample selected, and this variability is measured by the standard error of the estimate. There is about a 90-percent chance, or level of confidence, that an estimate based on a sample will differ by no more than 1.6 standard errors from the "true" population value because of sampling error. BLS analyses are generally conducted at the 90-percent level of confidence.

The CPS data also are affected by *nonsampling error*.

Nonsampling error can occur for many reasons, including the failure to sample a segment of the population, the inability to obtain information for all respondents in the sample, the inability or unwillingness of respondents to provide correct information, and errors made in the collection or processing of the data.

For a full discussion of the reliability of data from the CPS and information on estimating standard errors, see the explanatory note for the household survey online at http://www.bls.gov/cps/eetech_methods.pdf.

Table 1. Employment status of persons 18 years and over by veteran status, period of service, sex, race, and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity, 2007 annual averages

(Numbers in thousands)

Veteran status, period of service, sex, race, and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity	Civilian noninstitutional population	Civilian labor force						Not in labor force
		Total	Percent of population	Employed		Unemployed		
				Total	Percent of population	Total	Percent of labor force	
TOTAL								
Total, 18 years and over	222,645	150,354	67.5	143,761	64.6	6,593	4.4	72,292
Veterans	22,633	12,502	55.2	12,029	53.2	473	3.8	10,130
Gulf War era, total	4,330	3,818	88.2	3,651	84.3	167	4.4	511
Gulf War era I	2,877	2,561	89.0	2,471	85.9	90	3.5	316
Gulf War era II	1,453	1,257	86.5	1,180	81.2	77	6.1	196
WW II, Korean War, and Vietnam era	12,262	4,941	40.3	4,772	38.9	168	3.4	7,321
Other service periods	6,042	3,743	62.0	3,606	59.7	137	3.7	2,298
Nonveterans	200,013	137,851	68.9	131,731	65.9	6,120	4.4	62,161
Men								
Total, 18 years and over	107,515	80,783	75.1	77,164	71.8	3,619	4.5	26,732
Veterans	20,952	11,418	54.5	10,997	52.5	421	3.7	9,533
Gulf War era, total	3,630	3,280	90.4	3,143	86.6	137	4.2	350
Gulf War era I	2,415	2,199	91.0	2,123	87.9	76	3.5	217
Gulf War era II	1,214	1,081	89.0	1,020	84.0	61	5.6	133
WW II, Korean War, and Vietnam era	11,843	4,797	40.5	4,633	39.1	165	3.4	7,046
Other service periods	5,479	3,341	61.0	3,222	58.8	120	3.6	2,138
Nonveterans	86,563	69,364	80.1	66,166	76.4	3,198	4.6	17,199
Women								
Total, 18 years and over	115,130	69,571	60.4	66,597	57.8	2,974	4.3	45,559
Veterans	1,681	1,084	64.5	1,032	61.4	52	4.8	597
Gulf War era, total	700	539	77.0	508	72.6	30	5.6	161
Gulf War era I	461	362	78.6	348	75.5	14	3.9	99
Gulf War era II	239	176	73.9	160	67.2	16	9.1	62
WW II, Korean War, and Vietnam era	419	143	34.2	140	33.4	4	2.6	275
Other service periods	562	402	71.5	384	68.3	18	4.4	160
Nonveterans	113,449	68,487	60.4	65,565	57.8	2,922	4.3	44,962
White								
Total, 18 years and over	181,228	122,609	67.7	117,827	65.0	4,782	3.9	58,618
Veterans	19,428	10,465	53.9	10,104	52.0	361	3.5	8,963
Gulf War era, total	3,317	2,947	88.9	2,835	85.5	112	3.8	370
Gulf War era I	2,212	1,989	89.9	1,932	87.3	56	2.8	224
Gulf War era II	1,105	958	86.8	903	81.8	55	5.8	146
WW II, Korean War, and Vietnam era	11,023	4,449	40.4	4,301	39.0	148	3.3	6,574
Other service periods	5,089	3,069	60.3	2,967	58.3	102	3.3	2,020
Nonveterans	161,800	112,144	69.3	107,724	66.6	4,421	3.9	49,655
Black or African American								
Total, 18 years and over	26,026	17,230	66.2	15,882	61.0	1,349	7.8	8,796
Veterans	2,427	1,545	63.6	1,454	59.9	90	5.8	882
Gulf War era, total	768	656	85.5	614	80.0	42	6.5	111
Gulf War era I	510	439	86.0	411	80.6	27	6.2	71
Gulf War era II	257	217	84.5	202	78.6	15	6.9	40
WW II, Korean War, and Vietnam era	915	352	38.5	336	36.7	16	4.5	563
Other service periods	744	536	72.1	504	67.7	32	6.0	208
Nonveterans	23,600	15,686	66.5	14,427	61.1	1,258	8.0	7,914

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 1. Employment status of persons 18 years and over by veteran status, period of service, sex, race, and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity, 2007 annual averages—Continued

(Numbers in thousands)

Veteran status, period of service, sex, race, and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity	Civilian noninstitutional population	Civilian labor force						Not in labor force
		Total	Percent of population	Employed		Unemployed		
				Total	Percent of population	Total	Percent of labor force	
Asian								
Total, 18 years and over	10,262	6,983	68.0	6,762	65.9	220	3.2	3,279
Veterans	259	161	62.2	155	59.9	6	3.7	98
Gulf War era, total	94	84	89.1	79	84.0	5	5.7	10
Gulf War era I	59	51	87.6	50	86.1	1	1.7	7
Gulf War era II	36	33	91.5	29	80.4	4	(¹)	3
WW II, Korean War, and Vietnam era	102	35	34.6	35	34.0	1	1.8	67
Other service periods	63	42	66.9	41	66.0	1	1.3	21
Nonveterans	10,002	6,821	68.2	6,607	66.1	214	3.1	3,181
Hispanic or Latino ethnicity								
Total, 18 years and over	29,756	21,185	71.2	20,047	67.4	1,138	5.4	8,571
Veterans	1,151	778	67.6	749	65.0	29	3.8	373
Gulf War era, total	376	334	88.8	319	84.9	15	4.4	42
Gulf War era I	228	206	90.5	198	86.7	9	4.1	22
Gulf War era II	148	127	86.3	121	82.0	6	4.9	20
WW II, Korean War, and Vietnam era	467	223	47.8	217	46.5	6	2.9	244
Other service periods	309	221	71.5	213	68.9	8	3.6	88
Nonveterans	28,605	20,407	71.3	19,299	67.5	1,108	5.4	8,198

¹ Ratios are not shown where the denominator is less than 35,000. Small estimated levels are based on a small number of survey responses and, thus, are subject to relatively large standard errors.

NOTE: Veterans are men and women who served in the U.S. Armed Forces during World War II, the Korean War, the Vietnam era, the Gulf War era, and all other service periods. Nonveterans are men and women who never served in the U.S. Armed Forces. Other service

periods include the periods between World War II and the Korean War, between the Korean War and the Vietnam era, and between the Vietnam era and the Gulf War era. More detailed information appears in the Technical Note of this release. 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.

Table 2. Employment status of persons 18 years and over by veteran status, age, period of service, and sex, 2007 annual averages

(Numbers in thousands)

Veteran status, age, period of service, and sex	Civilian noninstitutional population	Civilian labor force						Not in labor force
		Total	Percent of population	Employed		Unemployed		
				Total	Percent of population	Total	Percent of labor force	
TOTAL								
VETERANS								
Total, 18 years and over	22,633	12,502	55.2	12,029	53.2	473	3.8	10,130
18 to 24 years	329	264	80.3	233	70.9	31	11.7	65
25 to 34 years	1,561	1,404	89.9	1,329	85.2	75	5.3	157
35 to 44 years	2,722	2,475	90.9	2,391	87.8	83	3.4	247
45 to 54 years	3,618	3,047	84.2	2,947	81.4	100	3.3	571
55 to 64 years	5,833	3,825	65.6	3,693	63.3	132	3.5	2,008
65 years and over	8,570	1,488	17.4	1,436	16.8	52	3.5	7,082
Gulf War era, total								
Total, 18 years and over	4,330	3,818	88.2	3,651	84.3	167	4.4	511
18 to 24 years	329	264	80.3	233	70.9	31	11.7	65
25 to 34 years	1,561	1,404	89.9	1,329	85.2	75	5.3	157
35 to 44 years	1,446	1,327	91.8	1,288	89.1	39	2.9	119
45 to 54 years	690	621	89.9	606	87.7	15	2.4	70
55 to 64 years	262	188	71.9	181	69.2	7	3.8	74
65 years and over	43	15	34.2	14	33.5	—	—	28
Gulf War era I								
Total, 18 years and over	2,877	2,561	89.0	2,471	85.9	90	3.5	316
18 to 24 years	11	9	(¹)	9	(¹)	—	—	2
25 to 34 years	932	848	91.0	807	86.5	41	4.8	84
35 to 44 years	1,181	1,084	91.8	1,052	89.1	32	3.0	97
45 to 54 years	509	457	89.7	445	87.4	12	2.5	53
55 to 64 years	205	150	73.1	145	70.8	5	3.2	55
65 years and over	38	13	35.1	13	34.3	—	—	25
Gulf War era II								
Total, 18 years and over	1,453	1,257	86.5	1,180	81.2	77	6.1	196
18 to 24 years	317	255	80.3	224	70.7	31	12.0	63
25 to 34 years	628	556	88.5	522	83.1	34	6.0	72
35 to 44 years	265	243	91.7	236	89.2	7	2.8	22
45 to 54 years	181	164	90.6	161	88.7	3	2.1	17
55 to 64 years	57	39	67.5	36	63.4	2	6.2	19
65 years and over	5	1	(¹)	1	(¹)	—	—	3
WW II, Korean War, and Vietnam era ²								
Total, 45 years and over	12,262	4,941	40.3	4,772	38.9	168	3.4	7,321
45 to 54 years	851	666	78.3	646	75.9	20	3.0	185
55 to 64 years	5,116	3,359	65.7	3,241	63.4	118	3.5	1,757
65 years and over	6,295	916	14.6	886	14.1	30	3.3	5,379
Other service periods								
Total, 25 years and over	6,042	3,743	62.0	3,606	59.7	137	3.7	2,298
25 to 34 years	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
35 to 44 years	1,277	1,148	89.9	1,104	86.4	44	3.9	129
45 to 54 years	2,077	1,760	84.7	1,695	81.6	65	3.7	317
55 to 64 years	456	278	61.1	271	59.5	7	2.6	177
65 years and over	2,232	557	25.0	536	24.0	21	3.7	1,675
NONVETERANS								
Total, 18 years and over	200,013	137,851	68.9	131,731	65.9	6,120	4.4	62,161
18 to 24 years	27,859	19,182	68.9	17,356	62.3	1,827	9.5	8,677
25 to 34 years	38,191	31,726	83.1	30,257	79.2	1,469	4.6	6,465
35 to 44 years	39,679	33,052	83.3	31,910	80.4	1,141	3.5	6,627
45 to 54 years	39,927	32,652	81.8	31,616	79.2	1,036	3.2	7,275
55 to 64 years	26,700	16,925	63.4	16,416	61.5	510	3.0	9,775
65 years and over	27,657	4,315	15.6	4,178	15.1	137	3.2	23,342

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 2. Employment status of persons 18 years and over by veteran status, age, period of service, and sex, 2007 annual averages—Continued

(Numbers in thousands)

Veteran status, age, period of service, and sex	Civilian noninstitutional population	Civilian labor force						Not in labor force
		Total	Percent of population	Employed		Unemployed		
				Total	Percent of population	Total	Percent of labor force	
MEN								
VETERANS								
Total, 18 years and over	20,952	11,418	54.5	10,997	52.5	421	3.7	9,533
18 to 24 years	270	227	84.1	202	74.9	25	10.9	43
25 to 34 years	1,272	1,179	92.7	1,120	88.0	59	5.0	93
35 to 44 years	2,311	2,145	92.8	2,072	89.7	72	3.4	166
45 to 54 years	3,194	2,716	85.0	2,631	82.4	85	3.1	478
55 to 64 years	5,615	3,691	65.7	3,562	63.4	129	3.5	1,924
65 years and over	8,290	1,461	17.6	1,410	17.0	51	3.5	6,829
Gulf War era, total								
Total, 18 years and over	3,630	3,280	90.4	3,143	86.6	137	4.2	350
18 to 24 years	270	227	84.1	202	74.9	25	10.9	43
25 to 34 years	1,272	1,179	92.7	1,120	88.0	59	5.0	93
35 to 44 years	1,215	1,145	94.2	1,110	91.3	35	3.0	71
45 to 54 years	596	543	91.2	532	89.3	12	2.1	52
55 to 64 years	237	172	72.6	166	69.8	7	3.9	65
65 years and over	39	13	34.1	13	33.2	—	—	26
Gulf War era I								
Total, 18 years and over	2,415	2,199	91.0	2,123	87.9	76	3.5	217
18 to 24 years	9	8	(¹)	8	(¹)	—	—	1
25 to 34 years	760	712	93.6	680	89.4	32	4.5	48
35 to 44 years	997	939	94.2	910	91.2	30	3.2	58
45 to 54 years	427	389	91.1	379	88.8	10	2.5	38
55 to 64 years	187	138	74.1	134	71.8	4	3.1	48
65 years and over	35	12	34.4	12	33.5	—	—	23
Gulf War era II								
Total, 18 years and over	1,214	1,081	89.0	1,020	84.0	61	5.6	133
18 to 24 years	261	219	83.8	194	74.4	25	11.2	42
25 to 34 years	512	467	91.2	440	85.9	27	5.8	45
35 to 44 years	218	206	94.2	201	91.9	5	2.5	13
45 to 54 years	169	155	91.6	153	90.4	2	1.3	14
55 to 64 years	50	34	67.2	32	62.5	2	(¹)	17
65 years and over	4	1	(¹)	1	(¹)	—	—	3
WW II, Korean War, and Vietnam era ²								
Total, 45 years and over	11,843	4,797	40.5	4,633	39.1	165	3.4	7,046
45 to 54 years	790	623	78.9	604	76.5	20	3.1	166
55 to 64 years	4,968	3,271	65.8	3,156	63.5	115	3.5	1,697
65 years and over	6,085	903	14.8	873	14.4	30	3.3	5,182
Other service periods								
Total, 25 years and over	5,479	3,341	61.0	3,222	58.8	120	3.6	2,138
25 to 34 years	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
35 to 44 years	1,096	1,000	91.3	962	87.8	38	3.8	96
45 to 54 years	1,809	1,549	85.7	1,495	82.7	54	3.5	260
55 to 64 years	410	248	60.5	240	58.7	7	2.9	162
65 years and over	2,165	545	25.2	524	24.2	21	3.8	1,620
NONVETERANS								
Total, 18 years and over	86,563	69,364	80.1	66,166	76.4	3,198	4.6	17,199
18 to 24 years	13,981	10,055	71.9	8,998	64.4	1,057	10.5	3,926
25 to 34 years	18,586	17,129	92.2	16,332	87.9	797	4.7	1,457
35 to 44 years	18,599	17,155	92.2	16,594	89.2	561	3.3	1,444
45 to 54 years	18,119	16,086	88.8	15,579	86.0	507	3.2	2,034
55 to 64 years	10,043	7,214	71.8	6,994	69.6	220	3.0	2,829
65 years and over	7,234	1,726	23.9	1,670	23.1	56	3.3	5,508

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 2. Employment status of persons 18 years and over by veteran status, age, period of service, and sex, 2007 annual averages—Continued

(Numbers in thousands)

Veteran status, age, period of service, and sex	Civilian noninstitutional population	Civilian labor force						Not in labor force
		Total	Percent of population	Employed		Unemployed		
				Total	Percent of population	Total	Percent of labor force	
WOMEN								
VETERANS								
Total, 18 years and over	1,681	1,084	64.5	1,032	61.4	52	4.8	597
18 to 24 years	59	37	63.0	31	52.7	6	16.3	22
25 to 34 years	288	225	78.0	209	72.5	16	7.1	63
35 to 44 years	411	330	80.3	319	77.6	11	3.3	81
45 to 54 years	424	331	78.0	316	74.5	15	4.4	93
55 to 64 years	218	135	61.6	131	60.1	3	2.5	84
65 years and over	280	27	9.5	26	9.2	1	(¹)	254
Gulf War era, total								
Total, 18 years and over	700	539	77.0	508	72.6	30	5.6	161
18 to 24 years	59	37	63.0	31	52.7	6	16.3	22
25 to 34 years	288	225	78.0	209	72.5	16	7.1	63
35 to 44 years	230	182	79.1	178	77.2	4	2.5	48
45 to 54 years	95	77	81.7	74	78.2	3	4.4	17
55 to 64 years	25	16	(¹)	15	(¹)	—	—	9
65 years and over	3	1	(¹)	1	(¹)	—	—	2
Gulf War era I								
Total, 18 years and over	461	362	78.6	348	75.5	14	3.9	99
18 to 24 years	2	1	(¹)	1	(¹)	—	—	1
25 to 34 years	172	136	79.1	127	73.7	9	6.8	36
35 to 44 years	184	145	78.8	142	77.4	3	1.8	39
45 to 54 years	82	68	82.4	66	80.1	2	2.9	14
55 to 64 years	18	11	(¹)	11	(¹)	—	—	7
65 years and over	3	1	(¹)	1	(¹)	—	—	2
Gulf War era II								
Total, 18 years and over	239	176	73.9	160	67.2	16	9.1	62
18 to 24 years	56	36	63.9	30	53.2	6	16.8	20
25 to 34 years	117	89	76.4	82	70.7	7	7.6	27
35 to 44 years	46	37	80.2	35	76.3	2	4.9	9
45 to 54 years	12	9	(¹)	8	(¹)	1	(¹)	3
55 to 64 years	7	5	(¹)	5	(¹)	—	—	2
65 years and over	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
WW II, Korean War, and Vietnam era ²								
Total, 45 years and over	419	143	34.2	140	33.4	4	2.6	275
45 to 54 years	62	43	69.5	43	69.1	—	—	19
55 to 64 years	147	88	59.5	85	57.7	3	3.1	60
65 years and over	210	13	6.1	12	5.7	1	(¹)	197
Other service periods								
Total, 25 years and over	562	402	71.5	384	68.3	18	4.4	160
25 to 34 years	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
35 to 44 years	181	148	81.8	142	78.2	7	4.4	33
45 to 54 years	268	211	78.6	200	74.5	11	5.2	57
55 to 64 years	46	31	66.5	31	66.2	—	—	15
65 years and over	67	13	18.6	12	18.5	—	—	55
NONVETERANS								
Total, 18 years and over	113,449	68,487	60.4	65,565	57.8	2,922	4.3	44,962
18 to 24 years	13,878	9,128	65.8	8,357	60.2	770	8.4	4,750
25 to 34 years	19,605	14,597	74.5	13,924	71.0	672	4.6	5,008
35 to 44 years	21,080	15,897	75.4	15,317	72.7	580	3.7	5,183
45 to 54 years	21,807	16,566	76.0	16,037	73.5	529	3.2	5,241
55 to 64 years	16,657	9,711	58.3	9,422	56.6	290	3.0	6,946
65 years and over	20,423	2,589	12.7	2,508	12.3	81	3.1	17,834

¹ Ratios are not shown where the denominator is less than 35,000. Small estimated levels are based on a small number of survey responses and, thus, are subject to relatively large standard errors.

² Because of the aging of the population, there are no longer any veterans of these eras under 45 years of age.

NOTE: Veterans are men and women who served in the U.S. Armed Forces during World War II, the Korean War, the Vietnam era,

the Gulf War era, and all other service periods. Nonveterans are men and women who never served in the U.S. Armed Forces. Other service periods include the periods between World War II and the Korean War, between the Korean War and the Vietnam era, and between the Vietnam era and the Gulf War era. More detailed information appears in the Technical Note of this release. Dash represents or rounds to zero.

Table 3. Employed persons 18 years and over by occupation, sex, veteran status, and period of service, 2007 annual averages

(Percent distribution)

Occupation	Veterans	Gulf War era			WW II, Korean War, and Vietnam era	Other service periods	Non-veterans
		Total	Gulf War era I	Gulf War era II			
TOTAL							
Total, 18 years and over (thousands)	12,029	3,651	2,471	1,180	4,772	3,606	131,731
Percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Management, professional, and related occupations	35.5	35.0	36.3	32.3	37.5	33.3	36.0
Management, business, and financial operations occupations	17.3	15.1	15.9	13.5	19.7	16.4	14.8
Professional and related occupations	18.2	19.9	20.4	18.8	17.8	16.9	21.2
Service occupations	12.0	14.7	13.9	16.2	10.0	11.9	16.4
Sales and office occupations	18.4	18.0	17.1	19.8	18.8	18.2	25.2
Sales and related occupations	10.0	8.2	8.2	8.0	11.6	9.9	11.3
Office and administrative support occupations	8.3	9.8	8.9	11.7	7.2	8.3	13.9
Natural resources, construction, and maintenance occupations	16.1	16.2	16.3	15.9	15.3	17.2	10.4
Farming, fishing, and forestry occupations .....	.5	.3	.2	.4	.6	.4	.6
Construction and extraction occupations	8.0	7.7	7.4	8.1	7.9	8.6	6.5
Installation, maintenance, and repair occupations	7.7	8.2	8.7	7.4	6.8	8.2	3.3
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations	18.0	16.2	16.3	15.9	18.4	19.4	12.0
Production occupations	7.6	7.1	7.3	6.6	7.5	8.3	6.4
Transportation and material moving occupations	10.4	9.1	9.0	9.2	10.9	11.2	5.6
MEN							
Total, 18 years and over (thousands)	10,997	3,143	2,123	1,020	4,633	3,222	66,166
Percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Management, professional, and related occupations	34.6	33.2	34.1	31.2	37.2	32.3	32.9
Management, business, and financial operations occupations	17.5	15.0	15.4	14.3	19.9	16.4	15.8
Professional and related occupations	17.1	18.1	18.7	16.9	17.2	15.9	17.1
Service occupations	11.7	14.2	13.6	15.5	10.0	11.6	12.9
Sales and office occupations	17.1	16.2	15.4	17.7	18.4	16.3	16.8
Sales and related occupations	10.1	8.3	8.5	7.8	11.6	9.8	10.8
Office and administrative support occupations	7.0	7.9	7.0	9.9	6.8	6.5	6.0
Natural resources, construction, and maintenance occupations	17.5	18.5	18.7	18.0	15.7	19.1	19.7
Farming, fishing, and forestry occupations .....	.5	.3	.2	.4	.6	.5	1.0
Construction and extraction occupations	8.7	8.8	8.6	9.3	8.1	9.5	12.5
Installation, maintenance, and repair occupations	8.3	9.4	9.9	8.3	7.0	9.1	6.2
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations	19.1	18.0	18.1	17.6	18.8	20.8	17.7
Production occupations	8.0	7.8	8.1	7.2	7.6	8.7	8.5
Transportation and material moving occupations	11.2	10.1	10.0	10.3	11.2	12.1	9.2
WOMEN							
Total, 18 years and over (thousands)	1,032	508	348	160	140	384	65,565
Percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Management, professional, and related occupations	44.7	46.3	49.5	39.5	47.7	41.5	39.2
Management, business, and financial operations occupations	15.5	15.6	18.7	8.7	12.9	16.3	13.8
Professional and related occupations	29.3	30.8	30.8	30.8	34.8	25.2	25.4
Service occupations	15.7	17.7	16.2	20.9	11.0	14.9	19.9
Sales and office occupations	31.5	29.2	27.6	32.8	32.3	34.3	33.7
Sales and related occupations	9.3	7.7	6.9	9.4	10.3	11.0	11.9
Office and administrative support occupations	22.2	21.5	20.7	23.4	22.0	23.3	21.8
Natural resources, construction, and maintenance occupations	1.9	1.7	1.5	2.0	3.4	1.6	1.0
Farming, fishing, and forestry occupations .....	.1	.1	.2	—	—	—	.3
Construction and extraction occupations .....	.9	.5	.4	.6	2.8	.8	.4
Installation, maintenance, and repair occupations .....	.9	1.1	.9	1.4	.7	.8	.3
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations	6.1	5.1	5.2	4.9	5.6	7.7	6.2
Production occupations	3.5	2.7	2.7	2.6	3.2	4.7	4.2
Transportation and material moving occupations	2.6	2.4	2.5	2.3	2.4	3.0	2.0

NOTE: Veterans are men and women who served in the U.S. Armed Forces during World War II, the Korean War, the Vietnam era, the Gulf War era, and all other service periods. Nonveterans are men and women who never served in the U.S. Armed Forces. Other service periods

include the periods between World War II and the Korean War, between the Korean War and the Vietnam era, and between the Vietnam era and the Gulf War era. More detailed information appears in the Technical Note of this release. Dash represents or rounds to zero.

Table 4. Employed persons 18 years and over by industry, class of worker, sex, veteran status, and period of service, 2007 annual averages

(Percent distribution)

Industry and class of worker	Veterans	Gulf War era			WW II, Korean War, and Vietnam era	Other service periods	Non-veterans
		Total	Gulf War era I	Gulf War era II			
TOTAL							
Total, 18 years and over (in thousands)	12,029	3,651	2,471	1,180	4,772	3,606	131,731
Percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Agriculture and related industries	1.9	.5	.4	.7	3.2	1.7	1.4
Wage and salary workers .....	.7	.4	.3	.5	1.0	.7	.8
Self-employed workers	1.2	.2	.1	.2	2.2	1.0	.5
Nonagricultural industries	98.1	99.5	99.6	99.3	96.8	98.3	98.6
Wage and salary workers	89.9	95.7	94.9	97.4	85.4	89.8	92.1
Private industries	70.7	72.9	73.0	72.7	68.3	71.6	77.9
Mining .....	.7	.9	.7	1.3	.7	.6	.5
Construction	7.0	7.2	7.3	7.0	6.4	7.5	6.5
Manufacturing	13.9	12.8	13.6	11.1	14.1	14.6	10.7
Wholesale trade	3.6	3.4	3.8	2.6	3.9	3.4	2.8
Retail trade	8.6	8.3	7.2	10.5	8.8	8.6	10.6
Transportation and utilities	7.0	6.9	7.6	5.4	6.7	7.6	3.7
Information	2.4	2.8	2.9	2.8	2.0	2.4	2.2
Financial activities	5.1	4.8	5.0	4.5	5.2	5.2	6.7
Professional and business services	9.3	11.0	10.2	12.6	8.3	9.0	9.1
Education and health services	6.8	7.7	8.0	6.9	6.0	6.8	13.5
Leisure and hospitality	3.2	4.0	3.6	4.7	2.8	2.9	7.5
Other services	3.2	3.2	3.1	3.4	3.3	3.0	4.1
Government	19.2	22.8	21.9	24.7	17.1	18.1	14.2
Federal	7.6	10.3	9.3	12.5	6.0	7.0	1.9
State	4.6	5.2	5.1	5.5	4.3	4.2	4.4
Local	7.0	7.3	7.6	6.7	6.8	6.9	7.9
Self-employed workers	8.1	3.7	4.6	1.8	11.3	8.4	6.5
Unpaid family workers .....	.1	-	-	-	.1	.1	.1
MEN							
Total, 18 years and over (in thousands)	10,997	3,143	2,123	1,020	4,633	3,222	66,166
Percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Agriculture and related industries	2.1	.6	.5	.9	3.3	1.8	2.0
Wage and salary workers .....	.8	.4	.3	.6	1.0	.8	1.3
Self-employed workers	1.3	.2	.1	.3	2.2	1.0	.7
Nonagricultural industries	97.9	99.4	99.5	99.1	96.7	98.2	98.0
Wage and salary workers	89.4	95.7	94.9	97.3	85.2	89.3	90.5
Private industries	71.1	74.0	74.3	73.4	68.3	72.1	79.9
Mining .....	.8	1.0	.8	1.5	.8	.7	.8
Construction	7.5	8.1	8.2	7.9	6.5	8.3	11.6
Manufacturing	14.5	13.9	14.9	11.8	14.4	15.3	14.4
Wholesale trade	3.8	3.8	4.2	2.9	4.0	3.5	3.8
Retail trade	8.6	8.3	7.4	10.4	8.8	8.5	10.1
Transportation and utilities	7.4	7.6	8.5	5.8	6.8	8.2	5.4
Information	2.4	2.9	3.0	2.6	2.0	2.4	2.5
Financial activities	4.9	4.6	4.7	4.4	5.2	4.8	5.4
Professional and business services	9.4	11.2	10.3	13.2	8.3	9.2	9.7
Education and health services	5.5	5.7	5.9	5.3	5.5	5.3	5.6
Leisure and hospitality	3.0	3.6	3.3	4.3	2.8	2.8	6.9
Other services	3.2	3.3	3.2	3.3	3.3	3.0	3.7
Government	18.4	21.7	20.6	23.9	16.9	17.2	10.6
Federal	7.2	9.9	8.8	12.1	5.9	6.5	1.8
State	4.3	4.7	4.6	5.1	4.2	4.1	3.3
Local	6.8	7.1	7.3	6.6	6.7	6.6	5.5
Self-employed workers	8.5	3.7	4.6	1.7	11.4	8.9	7.5
Unpaid family workers	-	-	-	-	.1	-	-

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 4. Employed persons 18 years and over by industry, class of worker, sex, veteran status, and period of service, 2007 annual averages—Continued

(Percent distribution)

Industry and class of worker	Veterans	Gulf War era			WW II, Korean War, and Vietnam era	Other service periods	Non-veterans
		Total	Gulf War era I	Gulf War era II			
WOMEN							
Total, 18 years and over (in thousands)	1,032	508	348	160	140	384	65,565
Percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Agriculture and related industries .....	.6	.2	.3	—	.7	1.1	.7
Wage and salary workers .....	.2	.1	.2	—	.2	.2	.4
Self-employed workers .....	.5	.1	.1	—	.5	1.0	.3
Nonagricultural industries	99.4	99.8	99.7	100.0	99.3	98.9	99.3
Wage and salary workers	94.6	95.8	94.7	98.0	92.6	93.8	93.7
Private industries	66.9	65.9	64.9	68.1	67.4	68.1	75.9
Mining	—	—	—	—	—	.1	.1
Construction	1.7	2.0	2.3	1.3	2.5	1.0	1.4
Manufacturing	6.6	5.9	5.7	6.3	4.7	8.3	7.1
Wholesale trade	1.5	1.0	1.1	.7	1.3	2.3	1.8
Retail trade	9.0	8.0	6.5	11.1	10.3	9.8	11.0
Transportation and utilities	2.5	2.3	2.0	3.0	1.8	3.0	1.9
Information	2.4	2.4	1.8	3.7	2.9	2.1	1.9
Financial activities	7.2	6.2	6.6	5.3	5.9	9.0	8.0
Professional and business services	8.8	9.7	10.1	8.8	8.6	7.6	8.5
Education and health services	20.1	20.0	21.2	17.3	23.7	19.0	21.5
Leisure and hospitality	4.6	5.9	5.5	6.9	2.7	3.6	8.1
Other services	2.5	2.6	2.1	3.7	2.7	2.2	4.5
Government	27.7	29.8	29.8	29.9	25.3	25.7	17.8
Federal	12.0	13.1	12.3	14.9	8.9	11.6	2.1
State	6.8	8.1	8.2	7.8	7.7	4.8	5.5
Local	8.9	8.6	9.3	7.2	8.7	9.3	10.3
Self-employed workers	4.6	4.0	4.9	2.0	6.7	4.6	5.5
Unpaid family workers .....	.2	.1	.1	—	—	.5	.1

NOTE: Veterans are men and women who served in the U.S. Armed Forces during World War II, the Korean War, the Vietnam era, the Gulf War era, and all other service periods. Nonveterans are men and women who never served in the U.S. Armed Forces. Other service periods

include the periods between World War II and the Korean War, between the Korean War and the Vietnam era, and between the Vietnam era and the Gulf War era. More detailed information appears in the Technical Note of this release. Dash represents or rounds to zero.

Table 5. Employment status of veterans 18 years and over by presence of service-connected disability, reported disability rating, period of service, and sex, August 2007, not seasonally adjusted

(Numbers in thousands)

Presence of disability, reported disability rating, period of service, and sex	Civilian noninsti- tutional population	Civilian labor force						Not in labor force
		Total	Percent of population	Employed		Unemployed		
				Total	Percent of population	Total	Percent of labor force	
TOTAL								
VETERANS								
Total	22,620	12,424	54.9	12,014	53.1	410	3.3	10,196
With service-connected disability	2,647	1,276	48.2	1,232	46.5	44	3.4	1,371
Less than 30 percent disability rating	1,109	669	60.3	648	58.5	20	3.0	440
30 to 50 percent disability rating	634	322	50.9	310	48.9	12	3.8	312
60 percent or higher disability rating	665	181	27.2	171	25.7	10	5.8	484
Disability rating not reported	240	104	43.3	103	42.9	1	1.0	136
Without service-connected disability	16,730	9,155	54.7	8,838	52.8	317	3.5	7,574
Presence of disability not reported	3,243	1,993	61.4	1,944	59.9	49	2.4	1,250
Gulf War era, total								
Total	4,419	3,895	88.2	3,754	85.0	141	3.6	524
With service-connected disability	711	581	81.8	569	80.1	12	2.0	130
Less than 30 percent disability rating	306	280	91.6	273	89.2	7	2.6	26
30 to 50 percent disability rating	225	187	82.9	184	81.9	2	1.2	38
60 percent or higher disability rating	136	75	55.2	73	53.5	2	3.2	61
Disability rating not reported	44	40	(¹)	40	(¹)	-	-	5
Without service-connected disability	2,962	2,688	90.7	2,569	86.7	119	4.4	275
Presence of disability not reported	746	626	84.0	616	82.6	10	1.6	120
Gulf War era I								
Total	2,933	2,598	88.6	2,519	85.9	79	3.0	335
With service-connected disability	451	353	78.3	343	76.1	10	2.8	98
Less than 30 percent disability rating	195	176	90.0	169	86.3	7	4.1	20
30 to 50 percent disability rating	153	123	80.3	122	79.7	1	.8	30
60 percent or higher disability rating	85	37	43.4	35	41.2	2	-	48
Disability rating not reported	17	17	(¹)	17	(¹)	-	-	-
Without service-connected disability	1,975	1,815	91.9	1,755	88.9	60	3.3	160
Presence of disability not reported	507	430	84.8	421	83.0	9	2.1	77
Gulf War era II								
Total	1,486	1,297	87.3	1,236	83.1	62	4.8	189
With service-connected disability	260	228	87.8	227	87.1	2	.8	32
Less than 30 percent disability rating	110	104	94.4	104	94.4	-	-	6
30 to 50 percent disability rating	72	64	(¹)	62	(¹)	1	(¹)	8
60 percent or higher disability rating	51	38	(¹)	38	(¹)	1	(¹)	13
Disability rating not reported	27	23	(¹)	23	(¹)	-	(¹)	5
Without service-connected disability	988	873	88.4	814	82.4	59	6.7	115
Presence of disability not reported	239	196	82.2	195	81.7	1	.6	42
WW II, Korean War, and Vietnam era								
Total	12,254	4,913	40.1	4,755	38.8	158	3.2	7,342
With service-connected disability	1,529	458	30.0	434	28.4	25	5.4	1,071
Less than 30 percent disability rating	592	228	38.5	217	36.7	11	4.7	364
30 to 50 percent disability rating	333	99	29.9	94	28.3	5	5.1	233
60 percent or higher disability rating	441	77	17.4	69	15.6	8	10.2	364
Disability rating not reported	163	54	33.4	53	32.7	1	(¹)	109
Without service-connected disability	9,147	3,701	40.5	3,579	39.1	122	3.3	5,446
Presence of disability not reported	1,579	754	47.7	742	47.0	12	1.5	825
Other service periods								
Total	5,947	3,616	60.8	3,505	58.9	111	3.1	2,331
With service-connected disability	408	237	58.0	229	56.2	8	3.2	171
Less than 30 percent disability rating	211	161	76.2	158	75.1	2	1.5	50
30 to 50 percent disability rating	76	36	47.9	32	41.5	5	(¹)	40
60 percent or higher disability rating	88	29	33.4	29	33.2	-	-	59
Disability rating not reported	33	10	(¹)	10	(¹)	-	-	23
Without service-connected disability	4,621	2,767	59.9	2,690	58.2	76	2.8	1,854
Presence of disability not reported	919	613	66.7	586	63.8	27	4.4	306

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 5. Employment status of veterans 18 years and over by presence of service-connected disability, reported disability rating, period of service, and sex, August 2007, not seasonally adjusted—Continued

(Numbers in thousands)

Presence of disability, reported disability rating, period of service, and sex	Civilian noninsti- tutional population	Civilian labor force						Not in labor force
		Total	Percent of population	Employed		Unemployed		
				Total	Percent of population	Total	Percent of labor force	
MEN								
VETERANS								
Total	20,939	11,304	54.0	10,963	52.4	341	3.0	9,635
With service-connected disability	2,473	1,168	47.2	1,129	45.7	39	3.3	1,305
Less than 30 percent disability rating	1,050	625	59.5	604	57.6	20	3.2	425
30 to 50 percent disability rating	569	282	49.6	274	48.3	7	2.6	287
60 percent or higher disability rating	624	167	26.8	157	25.1	10	6.3	456
Disability rating not reported	231	95	41.1	94	40.6	1	1.1	136
Without service-connected disability	15,518	8,330	53.7	8,068	52.0	262	3.1	7,188
Presence of disability not reported	2,948	1,806	61.3	1,765	59.9	41	2.3	1,142
Gulf War era, total								
Total	3,674	3,306	90.0	3,202	87.2	104	3.2	368
With service-connected disability	608	514	84.5	502	82.5	12	2.3	94
Less than 30 percent disability rating	277	261	94.2	253	91.6	7	2.7	16
30 to 50 percent disability rating	194	160	82.4	158	81.2	2	1.4	34
60 percent or higher disability rating	102	63	61.3	60	58.9	2	(¹)	40
Disability rating not reported	35	30	(¹)	30	(¹)	—	—	5
Without service-connected disability	2,463	2,285	92.8	2,202	89.4	83	3.6	178
Presence of disability not reported	603	508	84.2	498	82.7	9	1.9	95
Gulf War era I								
Total	2,441	2,197	90.0	2,135	87.4	63	2.8	244
With service-connected disability	383	315	82.1	305	79.5	10	3.2	69
Less than 30 percent disability rating	177	164	92.7	157	88.7	7	4.4	13
30 to 50 percent disability rating	132	104	78.6	103	77.9	1	.9	28
60 percent or higher disability rating	59	32	(¹)	30	(¹)	2	(¹)	27
Disability rating not reported	15	15	(¹)	15	(¹)	—	—	—
Without service-connected disability	1,648	1,533	93.0	1,489	90.4	44	2.9	115
Presence of disability not reported	410	350	85.3	341	83.1	9	2.5	60
Gulf War era II								
Total	1,233	1,109	89.9	1,067	86.6	42	3.7	124
With service-connected disability	225	199	88.6	197	87.8	2	1.0	26
Less than 30 percent disability rating	99	96	96.9	96	96.9	—	—	3
30 to 50 percent disability rating	62	56	(¹)	55	(¹)	1	(¹)	6
60 percent or higher disability rating	43	31	(¹)	31	(¹)	1	(¹)	12
Disability rating not reported	20	16	(¹)	16	(¹)	—	—	5
Without service-connected disability	816	752	92.2	713	87.4	39	5.2	64
Presence of disability not reported	193	158	82.0	158	81.7	1	.3	35
WW II, Korean War, and Vietnam era								
Total	11,830	4,762	40.3	4,611	39.0	152	3.2	7,068
With service-connected disability	1,501	446	29.7	421	28.1	25	5.5	1,055
Less than 30 percent disability rating	579	217	37.4	206	35.6	11	4.9	363
30 to 50 percent disability rating	320	99	30.9	94	29.3	5	5.1	221
60 percent or higher disability rating	438	76	17.3	68	15.6	8	10.3	362
Disability rating not reported	163	54	33.4	53	32.7	1	(¹)	109
Without service-connected disability	8,831	3,582	40.6	3,466	39.3	116	3.2	5,249
Presence of disability not reported	1,499	734	49.0	723	48.2	12	1.6	765
Other service periods								
Total	5,435	3,236	59.5	3,150	58.0	85	2.6	2,199
With service-connected disability	364	209	57.3	206	56.6	3	1.3	156
Less than 30 percent disability rating	194	147	76.0	145	74.8	2	1.6	46
30 to 50 percent disability rating	55	23	(¹)	23	(¹)	—	—	32
60 percent or higher disability rating	83	28	34.2	28	33.9	—	—	55
Disability rating not reported	33	10	(¹)	10	(¹)	—	—	23
Without service-connected disability	4,224	2,463	58.3	2,400	56.8	63	2.6	1,761
Presence of disability not reported	846	564	66.6	544	64.3	20	3.5	282

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 5. Employment status of veterans 18 years and over by presence of service-connected disability, reported disability rating, period of service, and sex, August 2007, not seasonally adjusted—Continued

(Numbers in thousands)

Presence of disability, reported disability rating, period of service, and sex	Civilian noninsti- tutional population	Civilian labor force						Not in labor force
		Total	Percent of population	Employed		Unemployed		
				Total	Percent of population	Total	Percent of labor force	
WOMEN								
VETERANS								
Total	1,681	1,120	66.6	1,052	62.6	68	6.1	561
With service-connected disability	174	108	61.8	103	59.0	5	4.5	67
Less than 30 percent disability rating	59	44	(¹)	44	(¹)	—	—	15
30 to 50 percent disability rating	65	41	(¹)	36	(¹)	5	(¹)	25
60 percent or higher disability rating	41	14	(¹)	14	(¹)	—	—	27
Disability rating not reported	9	9	(¹)	9	(¹)	—	—	—
Without service-connected disability	1,212	825	68.1	770	63.6	55	6.7	386
Presence of disability not reported	295	187	63.3	179	60.6	8	4.3	108
Gulf War era, total								
Total	745	589	79.1	552	74.2	37	6.2	156
With service-connected disability	103	68	65.8	68	65.8	—	—	35
Without service-connected disability	499	403	80.7	367	73.5	36	8.9	96
Presence of disability not reported	143	118	82.9	118	82.5	1	.5	24
Gulf War era I								
Total	492	401	81.5	384	78.2	17	4.1	91
With service-connected disability	67	38	(¹)	38	(¹)	—	—	29
Without service-connected disability	327	282	86.3	266	81.2	17	5.9	45
Presence of disability not reported	97	81	82.8	81	82.8	—	—	17
Gulf War era II								
Total	253	188	74.4	168	66.4	20	10.7	65
With service-connected disability	36	29	(¹)	29	(¹)	—	—	6
Without service-connected disability	172	121	70.3	101	58.9	19	16.1	51
Presence of disability not reported	46	38	(¹)	37	(¹)	1	(¹)	8
WW II, Korean War, and Vietnam era								
Total	424	150	35.5	144	34.0	6	4.0	274
With service-connected disability	28	12	(¹)	12	(¹)	—	—	16
Without service-connected disability	316	119	37.6	113	35.6	6	5.1	197
Presence of disability not reported	80	19	24.4	19	24.4	—	—	60
Other service periods								
Total	512	380	74.2	355	69.3	25	6.7	132
With service-connected disability	43	28	(¹)	23	(¹)	5	(¹)	16
Without service-connected disability	396	304	76.6	291	73.3	13	4.3	93
Presence of disability not reported	73	49	(¹)	42	(¹)	7	(¹)	24

¹ Ratios are not shown where the denominator is less than 75,000. Small estimated levels are based on a small number of survey responses and, thus, are subject to relatively large standard errors.

NOTE: Veterans are men and women who served in the U.S. Armed Forces during World War II, the Korean War, the Vietnam era, the Gulf War era, and all other service periods. Nonveterans are men and women who never served in the U.S. Armed Forces. Other service periods include the periods between

World War II and the Korean War, between the Korean War and the Vietnam era, and between the Vietnam era and the Gulf War era. A service-connected disability is a health condition or impairment caused or made worse by military service. The associated disability rating, which can range from 0 to 100 percent, is determined from a rating schedule published in the U.S. Code of Federal Regulations, "Title 38." More detailed information appears in the Technical Note of this release. Dash represents or rounds to zero.

Table 6. Employed persons 18 years and over by veteran status, presence of service-connected disability, period of service, and class of worker, August 2007, not seasonally adjusted

Veteran status, presence of disability, and period of service	Total employed (thousands)	Percent distribution by class of worker								
		Total	Agriculture and related industries	Nonagricultural industries						Self-employed and unpaid family workers
				Total	Private sector	Wage and salary workers				
						Total	Federal	State and local		
Veterans, total ¹	12,014	100.0	1.9	98.1	70.3	19.8	7.8	12.0	7.9	
With service-connected disability	1,232	100.0	1.9	98.1	58.2	33.1	16.3	16.9	6.8	
Without service-connected disability	8,838	100.0	2.3	97.7	71.4	18.3	6.8	11.5	8.0	
Gulf War era, total ¹	3,754	100.0	.7	99.3	74.3	21.3	9.4	11.9	3.7	
With service-connected disability	569	100.0	—	100.0	61.6	34.2	19.9	14.3	4.1	
Without service-connected disability	2,569	100.0	1.0	99.0	76.7	18.9	7.2	11.7	3.4	
Gulf War era I ¹	2,519	100.0	.5	99.5	74.4	20.1	8.9	11.2	5.0	
With service-connected disability	343	100.0	—	100.0	62.3	32.0	21.3	10.7	5.7	
Without service-connected disability	1,755	100.0	.7	99.3	76.8	17.9	6.2	11.7	4.6	
Gulf War era II ¹	1,236	100.0	1.0	99.0	74.2	23.8	10.6	13.2	1.0	
With service-connected disability	227	100.0	—	100.0	60.6	37.7	17.8	19.8	1.7	
Without service-connected disability	814	100.0	1.5	98.5	76.5	20.9	9.4	11.5	1.0	
WW II, Korean War, and Vietnam era ¹	4,755	100.0	3.2	96.8	66.9	18.8	6.5	12.3	11.1	
With service-connected disability	434	100.0	3.8	96.2	49.2	37.2	12.1	25.1	9.7	
Without service-connected disability	3,579	100.0	3.7	96.3	67.7	17.2	5.8	11.4	11.4	
Other service periods ¹	3,505	100.0	1.5	98.5	70.8	19.6	7.9	11.7	8.1	
With service-connected disability	229	100.0	2.9	97.1	66.6	22.6	15.1	7.5	7.9	
Without service-connected disability	2,690	100.0	1.6	98.4	71.2	19.2	7.7	11.5	8.0	
Nonveterans	131,850	100.0	1.3	98.7	78.2	13.9	1.9	11.9	6.7	

¹ Includes veterans who did not report presence of disability.

NOTE: Veterans are men and women who served in the U.S. Armed Forces during World War II, the Korean War, the Vietnam era, the Gulf War era, and all other service periods. Nonveterans are men and women who never served in the U.S. Armed Forces. Other service periods include the periods between World War II and the Korean War, between the Korean War and the Vietnam era, and between the Vietnam era and the Gulf War era. A

service-connected disability is a health condition or impairment caused or made worse by military service. The associated disability rating, which can range from 0 to 100 percent, is determined from a rating schedule published in the U.S. Code of Federal Regulations, "Title 38." More detailed information appears in the Technical Note of this release. Dash represents or rounds to zero.

Table 7. Employment status of Gulf War era veterans by Reserve or National Guard status, August 2007, not seasonally adjusted

(Numbers in thousands)

	Civilian noninstitutional population	Civilian labor force						Not in labor force
		Total	Percent of population	Employed		Unemployed		
				Total	Percent of population	Total	Percent of labor force	
Gulf War era, total								
Total	4,419	3,895	88.2	3,754	85.0	141	3.6	524
Current or past member of Reserve or National Guard	1,513	1,355	89.5	1,317	87.1	38	2.8	158
Never a member of Reserve or National Guard	2,135	1,896	88.8	1,803	84.5	93	4.9	239
Reserve or National Guard membership not reported	771	644	83.6	634	82.3	10	1.6	127
Gulf War era I								
Total	2,933	2,598	88.6	2,519	85.9	79	3.0	335
Current or past member of Reserve or National Guard	944	844	89.3	819	86.7	24	2.9	101
Never a member of Reserve or National Guard	1,458	1,311	89.9	1,265	86.8	46	3.5	147
Reserve or National Guard membership not reported	530	443	83.6	435	82.0	9	2.0	87
Gulf War era II								
Total	1,486	1,297	87.3	1,236	83.1	62	4.8	189
Current or past member of Reserve or National Guard	569	511	89.9	498	87.6	13	2.6	57
Never a member of Reserve or National Guard	677	586	86.5	538	79.5	47	8.1	92
Reserve or National Guard membership not reported	240	201	83.5	199	83.0	1	.6	40

NOTE: Veterans are men and women who served in the U.S. Armed Forces during World War II, the Korean War, the Vietnam era, the Gulf War era, and all other service periods. The Gulf War era began in August 1990 and continues to the present day. More detailed information appears in the Technical Note of this release.