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| | | Workers who could work at home | | | | | | | | |
|--|----------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|------|--------|------|--|
| | | Total (in thou- sands) | | Workers who did work at home | | | | | | |
| | Total workers (in | | Percent of total workers | Total (in thou- sands) | Percent of total workers | Percent distribution by whether at-home work was for pay | | | | |
| Characteristic | thousands) | | | | | Total | Paid | Unpaid | Both | |
| Age | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total, 15 years and over | 144,295 | 41,571 | 28.8 | 35,724 | 24.8 | 100.0 | 66.8 | 21.4 | 11.8 | |
| 15 to 24 years | 21,296 | 1,429 | 6.7 | 1,122 | 5.3 | S | S | S | | |
| 25 to 34 years | 33,682 | 10,566 | 31.4 | 8,595 | 25.5 | 100.0 | 68.9 | 19.0 | 12.1 | |
| 35 to 44 years | 30,159 | 10,923 | 36.2 | 9,766 | 32.4 | 100.0 | 67.5 | 19.9 | 12.6 | |
| 45 to 54 years | 29,484 | 9,576 | 32.5 | 8,417 | 28.5 | 100.0 | 65.0 | 22.8 | 12.2 | |
| 55 to 64 years | 22,514 | 7,253 | 32.2 | 6,237 | 27.7 | 100.0 | 67.6 | 22.6 | 9.8 | |
| 65 years and over | 7,160 | 1,823 | 25.5 | 1,587 | 22.2 | 100.0 | 54.9 | 35.0 | 10.1 | |
| Sex | <u> </u> | , | | , | | | | | | |
| Men | 74,830 | 21,849 | 29.2 | 18,726 | 25.0 | 100.0 | 67.3 | 20.7 | 12.0 | |
| Women | 69,465 | 19,722 | 28.4 | 16,998 | 24.5 | | | 22.2 | 11.6 | |
| Race(±) | 33,133 | | | = 0,000 | | | | | | |
| White | 115,129 | 34,390 | 29.9 | 29,460 | 25.6 | 100.0 | 66.7 | 20.9 | 12.4 | |
| Black or African American | 17,924 | 3,522 | 19.7 | 3,158 | 17.6 | | | 25.3 | 7.9 | |
| Asian | 7,849 | 2,902 | 37.0 | 2,486 | 31.7 | 100.0 | | 18.6 | 9.4 | |
| | 7,049 | 2,302 | 37.0 | 2,700 | 31.7 | 100.0 | /1.9 | 10.0 | 9.7 | |
| Hispanic or Latino ethnicity(2) | 24 275 | 2.061 | 16.2 | 2.107 | 12.1 | 100.0 | 62.7 | 27.5 | 0.0 | |
| Hispanic or Latino ethnicity | 24,375 | | 16.2 | 3,197 | 13.1 | 100.0 | | 27.5 | 8.8 | |
| Non-Hispanic or Latino | 119,920 | 37,610 | 31.4 | 32,526 | 27.1 | 100.0 | 67.1 | 20.8 | 12.1 | |
| Educational attainment (25 years and over) | 4.742 | 200 | | 0.15 | | | | | | |
| Less than a high school diploma | 6,743 | | 4.2 | 215 | 3.2 | | | S | 9 | |
| High school graduates, no college | 31,425 | 3,956 | 12.6 | 2,900 | 9.2 | 100.0 | 77.7 | 18.9 | 3.4 | |
| Some college or associate degree | 29,407 | 7,118 | 24.2 | 5,729 | 19.5 | | 70.3 | 18.9 | 10.8 | |
| Bachelor's degree and higher | 55,424 | 28,788 | 51.9 | 25,758 | 46.5 | 100.0 | 64.8 | 22.4 | 12.8 | |
| Parent of a household child | | | | | | | | | | |
| Parent of a household child under 18 years | 47,693 | , | 34.5 | 14,506 | 30.4 | | | | 11.7 | |
| Parent of a child 13 to 17 years (none younger) | 10,003 | 3,315 | 33.1 | 3,031 | 30.3 | | 67.3 | 22.6 | 10.2 | |
| Parent of a child under 13 years | 37,690 | · | 34.9 | 11,475 | 30.4 | | 67.6 | 20.3 | 12.1 | |
| Not a parent of a household child under 18 years | 96,602 | 25,094 | 26.0 | 21,218 | 22.0 | 100.0 | 66.2 | 21.9 | 11.9 | |
| Occupation | | | | | | | | | | |
| Management, business, and financial operations | 22,754 | 13,679 | 60.1 | 11,664 | 51.3 | 100.0 | 67.4 | 20.3 | 12.3 | |
| Professional and related | 40,284 | 17,108 | 42.5 | 15,294 | 38.0 | 100.0 | 64.3 | 23.5 | 12.2 | |
| Services | 23,548 | 1,468 | 6.2 | 1,201 | 5.1 | 100.0 | 70.4 | 25.1 | 4.6 | |
| Sales and related | 11,290 | 3,205 | 28.4 | 2,813 | 24.9 | 100.0 | 62.9 | 21.1 | 16.0 | |
| Office and administrative support | 18,967 | 4,602 | 24.3 | 3,525 | 18.6 | 100.0 | 77.5 | 14.6 | 7.9 | |
| Farming, fishing, and forestry | S | S | S | S | S | S | S | S | 9 | |
| Construction and extraction | 5,853 | 469 | 8.0 | 381 | 6.5 | S | S | S | 9 | |
| Installation, maintenance, and repair | 4,053 | 390 | 9.6 | 300 | 7.4 | S | S | S | 9 | |
| Production | 8,560 | 374 | 4.4 | 320 | 3.7 | S | S | S | 9 | |
| Transportation and material moving | 7,859 | 234 | 3.0 | 202 | 2.6 | S | S | S | 9 | |
| Industry | | | | | | | | | | |
| Agriculture, forestry, fishing, and hunting | 1,634 | 182 | 11.1 | 170 | 10.4 | S | S | S | 9 | |
| Mining, quarrying, and oil and gas extraction | S | S | S | S | S | | S | S | 9 | |
| Construction | 6,860 | 1,177 | 17.2 | 989 | 14.4 | 100.0 | 58.7 | 27.2 | 14.1 | |
| Manufacturing | 16,185 | 4,905 | 30.3 | 4,166 | 25.7 | 100.0 | 72.8 | 16.4 | 10.9 | |
| Wholesale and retail trade | 18,030 | 2,975 | 16.5 | 2,511 | 13.9 | | 71.3 | 16.7 | 12.0 | |
| Transportation and utilities | 7,357 | 1,033 | 14.0 | 922 | 12.5 | 100.0 | 62.9 | 25.0 | 12.0 | |
| Information | 2,685 | 1,432 | 53.3 | 1,212 | 45.1 | 100.0 | 75.0 | 12.7 | 12.3 | |
| Financial activities | 10,370 | 5,949 | 57.4 | 4,838 | 46.7 | 100.0 | 70.0 | | 14.5 | |
| Professional and business services | 16,778 | 8,955 | 53.4 | 7,957 | 47.4 | | 81.1 | 8.6 | 10.2 | |
| Education and health services | 37,294 | | 25.9 | 8,823 | 23.7 | 100.0 | 49.6 | | | |

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| | Total workers (in thousands) | | | Workers who did work at home | | | | | |
| Characteristic | | Total (in thou- sands) | Percent of total workers | Total (in thou- sands) | Percent of total workers | Percent distribution by whether at-home work was for pay | | | |
| | | | | | | Total | Paid | Unpaid | Both |
| Leisure and hospitality | 13,450 | 1,179 | 8.8 | 913 | 6.8 | S | S | S | S |
| Other services | 5,475 | 1,518 | 27.7 | 1,236 | 22.6 | 100.0 | 66.2 | 24.3 | 9.5 |
| Public administration | 7,552 | 2,253 | 29.8 | 1,650 | 21.8 | 100.0 | 67.2 | 17.0 | 15.8 |
| Class of worker | | | | | | | | | |
| Private sector | 118,872 | 34,884 | 29.3 | 29,983 | 25.2 | 100.0 | 70.9 | 18.3 | 10.8 |
| Private, for profit | 107,072 | 30,638 | 28.6 | 26,229 | 24.5 | 100.0 | 71.7 | 17.2 | 11.1 |
| Private, not for profit | 11,800 | 4,247 | 36.0 | 3,754 | 31.8 | 100.0 | 65.4 | 26.3 | 8.3 |
| Public sector | 25,423 | 6,687 | 26.3 | 5,741 | 22.6 | 100.0 | 45.2 | 37.7 | 17.2 |
| Federal government | 4,595 | 1,444 | 31.4 | 1,128 | 24.5 | 100.0 | 78.1 | 14.1 | 7.9 |
| State government | 8,807 | 3,155 | 35.8 | 2,792 | 31.7 | 100.0 | 42.1 | 38.6 | 19.3 |
| Local government | 12,022 | 2,087 | 17.4 | 1,822 | 15.2 | 100.0 | 29.6 | 50.8 | 19.6 |
| Full- and part-time status (single jobholders only)(3) | | | | | | | | | |
| Full-time workers | 106,369 | 34,678 | 32.6 | 29,627 | 27.9 | 100.0 | 65.3 | 21.9 | 12.9 |
| Part-time workers | 25,882 | 3,540 | 13.7 | 3,082 | 11.9 | 100.0 | 72.9 | 22.0 | 5.2 |
| Usual weekly earnings of full-time wage and salary workers (single jobholders only) | | | | · | | | | | |
| Earnings less than or equal to the 25th percentile | 25,200 | 2,314 | 9.2 | 1,656 | 6.6 | 100.0 | 60.9 | 33.0 | 6.1 |
| Earnings from 25th to 50th percentiles | 26,521 | 5,337 | 20.1 | 4,119 | 15.5 | 100.0 | 63.7 | 27.6 | 8.7 |
| Earnings from 50th to 75th percentiles | 27,193 | 10,148 | 37.3 | 8,609 | 31.7 | 100.0 | 66.9 | 20.2 | 12.9 |
| Earnings greater than the 75th percentile | 27,454 | 16,879 | 61.5 | 15,242 | 55.5 | 100.0 | 65.2 | 20.0 | 14.7 |
| Work schedule flexibility(4) | | | | | | | | | |
| Had flexible schedule | 81,533 | 34,243 | 42.0 | 29,753 | 36.5 | 100.0 | 71.1 | 16.0 | 12.9 |
| Did not have flexible schedule | 62,762 | 7,328 | 11.7 | 5,971 | 9.5 | 100.0 | 45.2 | 48.5 | 6.3 |

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