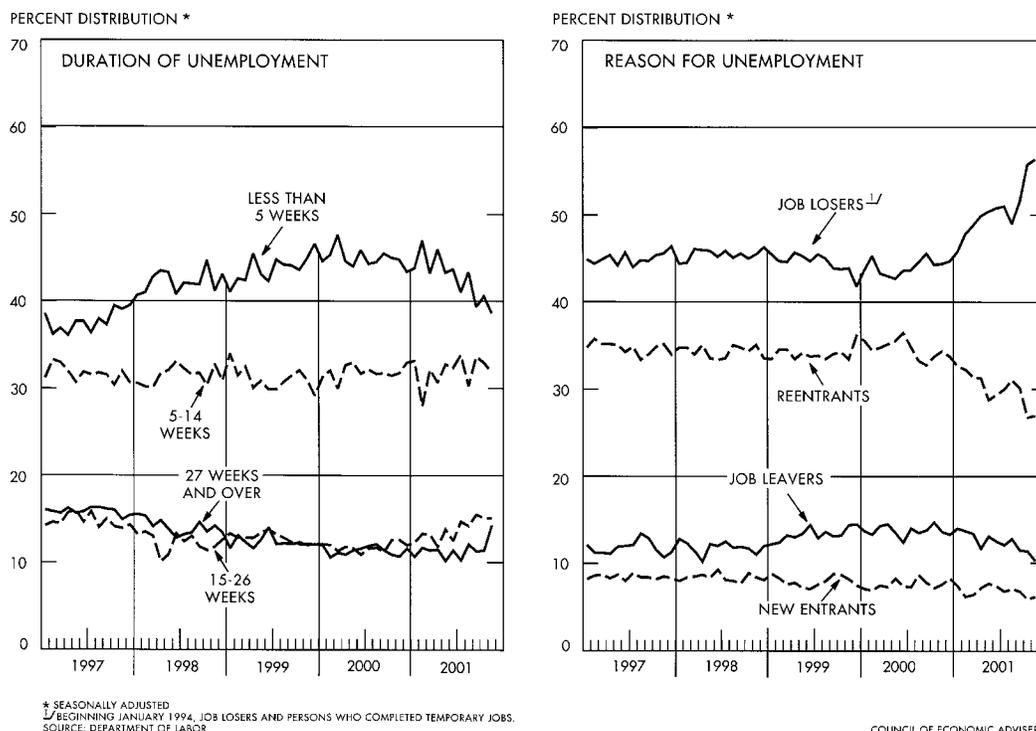


## SELECTED MEASURES OF UNEMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE PROGRAMS

In November, the percentages of the unemployed who had been out of work for less than 5 weeks and for 5-14 weeks fell, the percentage for 27 weeks and over rose, and the percentage for 15-26 weeks was unchanged. The mean duration of unemployment rose to 14.5 weeks and the median duration rose to 7.7 weeks.



[Monthly data seasonally adjusted, except as noted]

Period	Un-employment (thousands)	Duration of unemployment				Number of weeks		Reason for unemployment: percent distribution				State programs		Insured unemployment, all regular programs (unadjusted) <sup>2</sup>
		Percent distribution				Average (mean)	Median	Job losers <sup>1</sup>	Job leavers	Reentrants	New entrants	Insured unemployment	Initial claims	
		Less than 5 weeks	5-14 weeks	15-26 weeks	27 weeks and over									
Weekly average, thousands														
1991 .....	8,628	40.3	32.4	14.4	12.9	13.7	6.8	54.4	11.6	24.8	9.2	3,342	447	3,406
1992 .....	9,613	35.1	29.4	15.1	20.3	17.7	8.7	56.1	10.4	23.8	9.7	3,245	408	3,348
1993 .....	8,940	36.5	28.9	14.5	20.1	18.0	8.3	54.2	10.9	24.6	10.3	2,751	341	2,845
1994 <sup>3</sup> .....	7,996	34.1	30.1	15.5	20.3	18.8	9.2	47.7	9.9	34.8	7.6	2,670	340	2,739
1995 .....	7,404	36.5	31.6	14.6	17.3	16.6	8.3	46.9	11.1	34.1	7.8	2,572	357	2,633
1996 .....	7,236	36.4	31.6	14.6	17.4	16.7	8.3	46.6	10.7	34.7	8.0	2,595	356	2,650
1997 .....	6,739	37.7	31.7	14.8	15.8	15.8	8.0	45.1	11.8	34.7	8.4	2,323	323	2,366
1998 .....	6,210	42.2	31.4	12.3	14.1	14.5	6.7	45.5	11.8	34.3	8.4	2,222	321	2,257
1999 .....	5,880	43.7	31.2	12.8	12.3	13.4	6.4	44.6	13.3	34.1	8.0	2,188	298	2,219
2000 .....	5,655	45.0	31.9	11.8	11.4	12.6	5.9	44.1	13.7	34.6	7.6	2,110	301	2,142
2000: Nov .....	5,658	44.8	31.8	12.6	10.7	12.4	6.1	44.4	13.6	34.4	7.6	2,277	344	1,943
2000: Dec .....	5,653	43.4	33.0	12.0	11.6	12.6	6.1	44.7	13.3	33.8	8.3	2,365	355	2,385
2001: Jan .....	5,956	43.8	33.2	12.3	10.7	12.6	5.9	45.8	14.0	32.7	7.4	2,350	330	3,108
2001: Feb .....	5,936	47.0	28.0	13.3	11.7	12.9	6.0	47.8	13.7	32.3	6.2	2,414	355	3,050
2001: Mar .....	6,088	43.2	32.2	13.2	11.4	13.0	6.5	48.8	13.4	31.4	6.4	2,505	378	2,829
2001: Apr .....	6,402	46.0	30.7	11.8	11.5	12.6	5.8	49.9	11.7	31.3	7.2	2,636	405	2,966
2001: May .....	6,169	43.3	32.8	13.8	10.2	12.2	6.5	50.4	13.1	28.8	7.7	2,825	409	2,534
2001: June .....	6,422	43.7	32.4	12.5	11.4	13.0	6.2	50.8	12.5	29.4	7.4	2,995	410	2,644
2001: July .....	6,395	41.1	33.9	14.7	10.3	12.5	6.7	51.0	12.1	30.0	6.8	3,058	395	3,171
2001: Aug .....	6,957	43.4	30.3	14.2	12.1	13.3	6.5	49.0	12.8	31.1	7.1	3,188	398	2,727
2001: Sept .....	7,009	39.4	33.7	15.5	11.3	13.1	7.4	51.5	11.5	30.2	6.8	3,345	455	2,853
2001: Oct .....	7,741	40.6	33.0	15.1	11.4	13.0	7.4	55.8	11.4	26.8	5.9	3,676	r 490	3,025
2001: Nov .....	8,160	38.7	31.9	15.1	14.3	14.5	7.7	56.4	10.3	27.0	6.2	.....	p 460	.....

<sup>1</sup> Beginning January 1994, job losers and persons who completed temporary jobs.

<sup>2</sup> Includes State (50 States, District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and Virgin Islands), ex-servicemen (UCX), and Federal (UCFE). Railroad (RR) programs included through 1993. Also includes Federal and State extended benefit programs. Does not include Federal supplemental compensation or Emergency Unemployment Compensation programs.

<sup>3</sup> Data beginning January 1994 are not directly comparable with data for earlier periods.

NOTE.—Data relate to persons age 16 years and over (except for insured unemployment and initial claims).

Source: Department of Labor (Bureau of Labor Statistics and Employment and Training Administration).