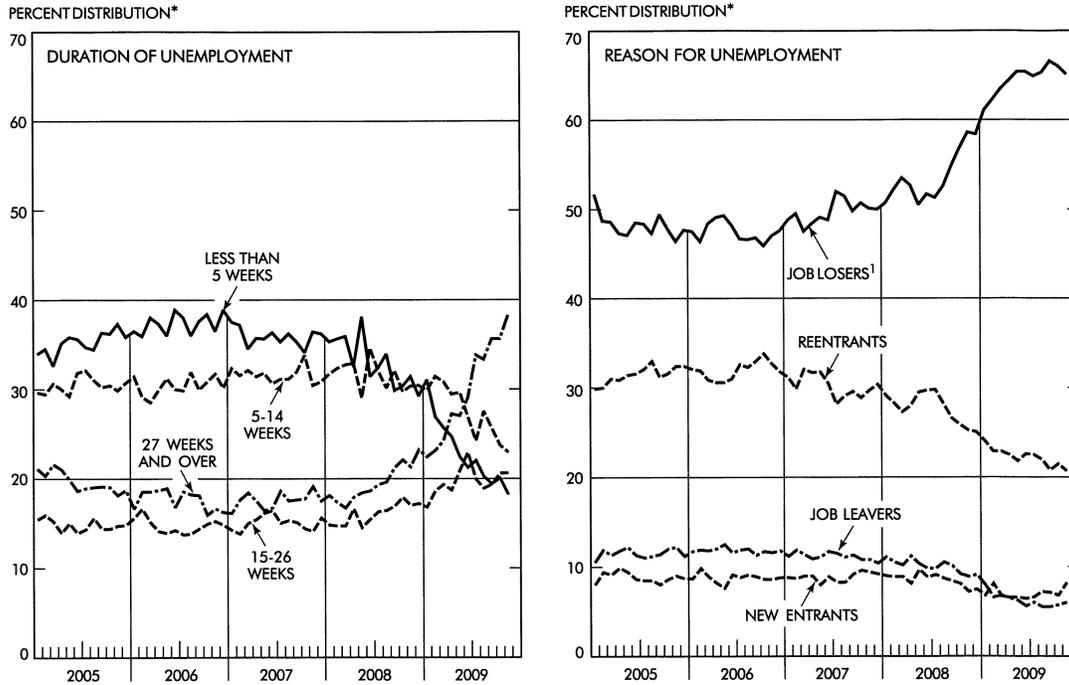


SELECTED MEASURES OF UNEMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE PROGRAMS

In November, the percentages of the unemployed who had been out of work for less than 5 weeks and 5–14 weeks fell, the percentage for 15–26 weeks was unchanged, while the percentage for 27 weeks and over rose. The mean duration of unemployment rose to 28.5 weeks and the median duration rose to 20.1 weeks.



*SEASONALLY ADJUSTED
¹BEGINNING JANUARY 1994, JOB LOSERS AND PERSONS WHO COMPLETED TEMPORARY JOBS.
 SOURCE: DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

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[Monthly data seasonally adjusted, except as noted]

Period	Un-employment (thousands)	Duration of unemployment				Reason for unemployment: percent distribution		Reason for unemployment: percent distribution				State programs		Insured unemployment, all regular programs (unadjusted) ²
		Percent distribution				Number of weeks		Job losers ¹	Job leavers	Reentrants	New entrants	Insured unemployment	Initial claims	
		Less than 5 weeks	5–14 weeks	15–26 weeks	27 weeks and over	Average (mean)	Median							
Weekly average, thousands														
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	5,692	44.9	31.9	11.8	11.4	12.6	5.9	44.2	13.7	34.5	7.6	2,110	301	2,141
2001	6,801	42.0	32.3	14.0	11.8	13.1	6.8	51.1	12.3	29.9	6.8	2,974	404	3,007
2002	8,378	34.5	30.8	16.3	18.3	16.6	9.1	55.0	10.3	28.3	6.4	3,585	407	3,619
2003	8,774	31.7	29.8	16.4	22.1	19.2	10.1	55.1	9.3	28.2	7.3	3,531	404	3,569
2004	8,149	33.1	29.2	15.9	21.8	19.6	9.8	51.5	10.5	29.5	8.4	2,950	345	2,995
2005	7,591	35.1	30.4	14.9	19.6	18.4	8.9	48.3	11.5	31.4	8.8	2,661	328	2,706
2006	7,001	37.3	30.3	14.7	17.6	16.8	8.3	47.4	11.8	32.0	8.8	2,476	313	2,518
2007	7,078	35.9	31.5	15.0	17.6	16.8	8.5	49.7	11.2	30.3	8.9	2,572	324	2,610
2008	8,924	32.8	31.4	16.0	19.7	17.9	9.4	53.7	10.0	27.7	8.6	3,306	424	3,343
2008: Nov	10,476	31.4	30.3	17.0	21.3	18.9	10.0	58.6	8.9	25.3	7.2	4,125	520	3,819
2008: Dec	11,108	29.2	30.4	17.2	23.2	19.7	10.6	58.4	9.1	25.1	7.5	4,430	537	4,771
2009: Jan	11,616	31.0	29.8	16.8	22.4	19.8	10.3	61.1	8.0	24.1	6.8	4,670	573	5,382
2009: Feb	12,467	26.9	31.4	18.6	23.1	19.8	11.0	62.3	6.6	22.9	8.1	5,085	637	6,098
2009: Mar	13,161	25.7	30.8	19.3	24.2	20.1	11.2	63.5	6.8	22.9	6.7	5,686	658	6,922
2009: Apr	13,724	24.7	29.4	18.7	27.2	21.4	12.5	64.4	6.5	22.5	6.6	6,297	630	7,074
2009: May	14,511	22.4	29.6	20.9	27.0	22.5	14.9	65.4	6.2	21.8	6.6	6,747	631	7,623
2009: June	14,729	21.2	26.9	22.9	29.0	24.5	17.9	65.4	5.6	22.6	6.4	6,732	612	7,628
2009: July	14,462	22.0	24.2	19.9	33.8	25.1	15.7	64.9	6.0	22.5	6.6	6,274	558	7,447
2009: Aug	14,928	20.2	27.5	18.9	33.3	24.9	15.4	65.3	5.5	22.0	7.2	6,190	572	7,316
2009: Sept	15,142	19.4	25.6	19.3	35.6	26.2	17.3	66.6	5.5	20.8	7.1	6,130	545	7,211
2009: Oct	15,700	20.0	23.7	20.6	35.6	26.9	18.7	66.0	5.7	21.5	6.8	5,817	524	6,662
2009: Nov	15,375	18.2	22.9	20.6	38.3	28.5	20.1	65.1	6.0	20.7	8.2	5,481	481	6,442

¹ Beginning January 1994, job losers and persons who completed temporary jobs.

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

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).