

TABLE B-41.—Civilian employment/population ratio by demographic characteristic, 1954–97  
 [Percent;<sup>1</sup> monthly data seasonally adjusted]

Year or month	All civilian workers	White						Black and other or black							
		Total	Males			Females			Total	Males			Females		
			Total	16–19 years	20 years and over	Total	16–19 years	20 years and over		Total	16–19 years	20 years and over	Total	16–19 years	20 years and over
Black and other															
1954	55.5	55.2	81.5	49.9	84.0	31.4	36.4	31.1	58.0	76.5	52.4	79.2	41.9	24.7	43.7
1955	56.7	56.5	82.2	52.0	84.7	33.0	37.0	32.7	58.7	77.6	52.7	80.4	42.2	26.4	43.9
1956	57.5	57.3	82.7	54.1	85.0	34.2	38.9	33.8	59.5	78.4	52.2	81.3	43.0	28.0	44.7
1957	57.1	56.8	81.8	52.4	84.1	34.2	38.2	33.9	59.3	77.2	48.0	80.5	43.7	26.5	45.5
1958	55.4	55.3	79.2	47.6	81.8	33.6	35.0	33.5	56.7	72.5	42.0	76.0	42.8	22.8	45.0
1959	56.0	55.9	79.9	48.1	82.8	34.0	34.8	34.0	57.5	73.8	41.4	77.6	43.2	20.3	45.7
1960	56.1	55.9	79.4	48.1	82.4	34.6	35.1	34.5	57.9	74.1	43.8	77.9	43.6	24.8	45.8
1961	55.4	55.3	78.2	45.9	81.4	34.5	34.6	34.5	56.2	71.7	41.0	75.5	42.6	23.2	44.8
1962	55.5	55.4	78.4	46.4	81.5	34.7	34.8	34.7	56.3	72.0	41.7	75.7	42.7	23.1	44.9
1963	55.4	55.3	77.7	44.7	81.1	35.0	32.9	35.2	56.2	71.8	37.4	76.2	42.7	21.3	45.2
1964	55.7	55.5	77.8	45.0	81.3	35.5	32.2	35.8	57.0	72.9	37.8	77.7	43.4	21.8	46.1
1965	56.2	56.0	77.9	47.1	81.5	36.2	33.7	36.5	57.8	73.7	39.4	78.7	44.1	20.2	47.3
1966	56.9	56.8	78.3	50.1	81.7	37.5	37.5	37.5	58.4	74.0	40.5	79.2	45.1	23.1	48.2
1967	57.3	57.2	78.4	50.2	81.7	38.3	37.7	38.3	58.2	73.8	38.8	79.4	45.0	24.8	47.9
1968	57.5	57.4	78.3	50.3	81.6	38.9	37.8	39.1	58.0	73.3	38.7	78.9	45.2	24.7	48.2
1969	58.0	58.0	78.2	51.1	81.4	40.1	39.5	40.1	58.1	72.8	39.0	78.4	45.9	25.1	48.9
1970	57.4	57.5	76.8	49.6	80.1	40.3	39.5	40.4	56.8	70.9	35.5	76.8	44.9	22.4	48.2
1971	56.6	56.8	75.7	49.2	79.0	39.9	38.6	40.1	54.9	68.1	31.8	74.2	43.9	20.2	47.3
1972	57.0	57.4	76.0	51.5	79.0	40.7	41.3	40.6	54.1	67.3	32.4	73.2	43.3	19.9	46.7
Black															
1972	57.0	57.4	76.0	51.5	79.0	40.7	41.3	40.6	53.7	66.8	31.6	73.0	43.0	19.2	46.5
1973	57.8	58.2	76.5	54.3	79.2	41.8	43.6	41.6	54.5	67.5	32.8	73.7	43.8	22.0	47.2
1974	57.8	58.3	75.9	54.4	78.6	42.4	44.3	42.2	53.5	65.8	31.4	71.9	43.5	20.9	46.9
1975	56.1	56.7	73.0	50.6	75.7	42.0	42.5	41.9	50.1	60.6	26.3	66.5	41.6	20.2	44.9
1976	56.8	57.5	73.4	51.5	76.0	43.2	44.2	43.1	50.8	60.6	25.8	66.8	42.8	19.2	46.4
1977	57.9	58.6	74.1	54.4	76.5	44.5	45.9	44.4	51.4	61.4	26.4	67.5	43.3	18.5	47.0
1978	59.3	60.0	75.0	56.3	77.2	46.3	48.5	46.1	53.6	63.3	28.5	69.1	45.8	22.1	49.3
1979	59.9	60.6	75.1	55.7	77.3	47.5	49.4	47.3	53.8	63.4	28.7	69.1	46.0	22.4	49.3
1980	59.2	60.0	73.4	53.4	75.6	47.8	47.9	47.8	52.3	60.4	27.0	65.8	45.7	21.0	49.1
1981	59.0	60.0	72.8	51.3	75.1	48.3	46.2	48.5	51.3	59.1	24.6	64.5	45.1	19.7	48.5
1982	57.8	58.8	70.6	47.0	73.0	48.1	44.6	48.4	49.4	56.0	20.3	61.4	44.2	17.7	47.5
1983	57.9	58.9	70.4	47.4	72.6	48.5	44.5	48.9	49.5	56.3	20.4	61.6	44.1	17.0	47.4
1984	59.5	60.5	72.1	49.1	74.3	49.8	47.0	50.0	52.3	59.2	23.9	64.1	46.7	20.1	49.8
1985	60.1	61.0	72.3	49.9	74.3	50.7	47.1	51.0	53.4	60.0	26.3	64.6	48.1	23.1	50.9
1986	60.7	61.5	72.3	49.6	74.3	51.7	47.9	52.0	54.1	60.6	26.5	65.1	48.8	23.8	51.6
1987	61.5	62.3	72.7	49.9	74.7	52.8	49.0	53.1	55.6	62.0	28.5	66.4	50.3	25.8	53.0
1988	62.3	63.1	73.2	51.7	75.1	53.8	50.2	54.0	56.3	62.7	29.4	67.1	51.2	25.8	53.9
1989	63.0	63.8	73.7	52.6	75.4	54.6	50.5	54.9	56.9	62.8	30.4	67.0	52.0	27.1	54.6
1990	62.8	63.7	73.3	51.0	75.1	54.7	48.3	55.2	56.7	62.6	27.7	67.1	51.9	25.8	54.7
1991	61.7	62.6	71.6	47.2	73.5	54.2	45.9	54.8	55.4	61.3	23.8	65.9	50.6	21.5	53.6
1992	61.5	62.4	71.1	46.4	73.1	54.2	44.2	54.9	54.9	59.9	23.6	64.3	50.8	22.1	53.6
1993	61.7	62.7	71.4	46.6	73.3	54.6	45.7	55.2	55.0	60.0	23.6	64.3	50.9	21.6	53.8
1994	62.5	63.5	71.8	48.3	73.6	55.8	47.5	56.4	56.1	60.8	25.4	65.0	52.3	24.5	55.0
1995	62.9	63.8	72.0	49.4	73.8	56.1	48.1	56.7	57.1	61.7	25.2	66.1	53.4	26.1	56.1
1996	63.2	64.1	72.3	48.2	74.2	56.3	47.6	57.0	57.4	61.1	24.9	65.5	54.4	27.1	57.1
1997	63.8	64.6	72.7	48.1	74.7	57.0	47.2	57.8	58.2	61.4	23.7	66.1	55.6	28.5	58.4
1996: Jan	62.7	63.6	71.9	48.6	73.8	55.8	47.0	56.4	57.2	61.1	24.6	65.6	54.1	27.4	56.8
Feb	63.0	63.9	72.2	49.0	74.1	56.1	47.6	56.8	57.0	60.8	25.4	65.2	53.8	24.9	56.7
Mar	63.0	63.9	72.1	48.0	74.0	56.3	47.3	56.9	57.1	60.9	26.1	65.1	54.1	27.6	56.7
Apr	63.0	63.9	72.1	48.9	74.0	56.1	46.5	56.8	57.1	60.8	27.3	64.9	54.1	27.7	56.8
May	63.1	63.9	72.2	49.0	74.0	56.2	47.3	56.8	57.7	61.5	28.8	65.5	54.6	28.8	57.2
June	63.2	64.0	72.4	49.0	74.2	56.2	47.2	56.8	57.3	60.8	24.3	65.3	54.4	28.0	57.1
July	63.2	64.1	72.4	48.3	74.3	56.3	47.7	56.9	57.6	61.2	24.3	65.8	54.7	27.1	57.5
Aug	63.2	64.1	72.3	46.3	74.4	56.3	46.7	57.0	57.6	61.8	24.5	66.4	54.3	24.9	57.3
Sept	63.3	64.3	72.4	48.7	74.3	56.7	49.0	57.2	57.0	60.5	23.9	65.1	54.2	26.8	57.0
Oct	63.5	64.3	72.5	48.4	74.5	56.7	48.9	57.2	57.5	61.0	24.6	65.5	54.8	27.2	57.6
Nov	63.4	64.3	72.3	47.1	74.3	56.8	48.6	57.3	57.6	61.0	22.0	65.8	54.8	26.9	57.7
Dec	63.4	64.3	72.5	47.9	74.5	56.7	47.6	57.3	57.5	61.1	23.3	65.7	54.7	28.1	57.4
1997: Jan	63.5	64.4	72.5	47.4	74.5	56.8	47.3	57.5	57.6	60.8	23.4	65.5	55.0	29.3	57.6
Feb	63.5	64.4	72.5	47.7	74.6	56.8	47.2	57.5	57.5	60.8	26.5	65.0	54.8	28.4	57.5
Mar	63.7	64.6	72.7	48.0	74.7	56.9	47.3	57.6	57.8	60.6	22.6	65.4	55.6	32.2	58.0
Apr	63.8	64.7	72.8	47.8	74.8	57.0	48.6	57.6	58.0	60.9	23.3	65.7	55.5	28.4	58.3
May	63.8	64.7	72.9	49.0	74.8	57.0	47.2	57.8	57.8	61.1	24.6	65.7	55.0	25.0	58.1
June	63.7	64.6	72.6	46.8	74.7	57.1	47.5	57.8	57.7	61.1	22.5	65.9	54.9	26.8	57.8
July	63.8	64.6	72.6	47.2	74.7	57.1	47.5	57.8	58.5	61.7	22.8	66.5	55.9	28.4	58.7
Aug	63.8	64.6	72.5	46.8	74.6	57.0	46.5	57.8	59.2	62.8	24.2	67.5	56.3	29.0	59.1
Sept	63.7	64.5	72.5	47.7	74.5	57.0	46.4	57.8	58.9	61.9	22.5	66.8	56.4	29.0	59.2
Oct	63.8	64.6	72.5	48.7	74.4	57.1	46.3	57.9	58.3	61.8	25.9	66.3	55.5	28.0	58.3
Nov	64.0	64.9	73.0	50.6	74.9	57.1	46.9	57.8	58.5	61.9	23.8	66.5	55.8	28.4	58.6
Dec	64.1	64.9	72.8	50.0	74.7	57.4	47.6	58.1	58.5	61.1	22.9	65.8	56.4	29.2	59.2

<sup>1</sup> Civilian employment as percent of civilian noninstitutional population in group specified.

Note.—Data relate to persons 16 years of age and over.

See footnote 5 and Note, Table B-35.

Source: Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.