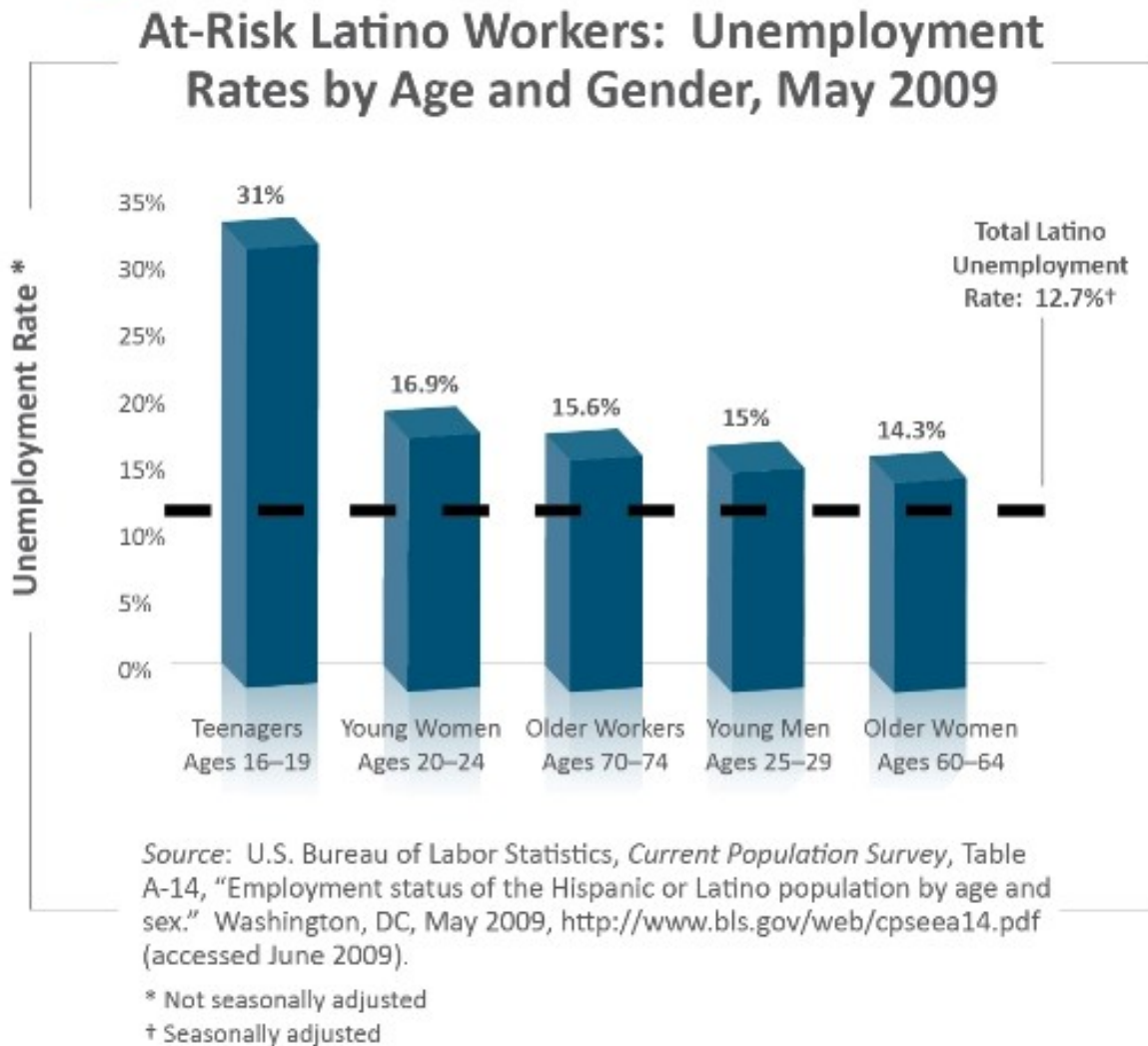


Latino Employment Status, May 2009

While the rate of job loss slowed for the country as a whole in May, Latino workers saw little indication that the recession is letting up. Compared to a national unemployment rate of 9.4%, the rate for Latinos was 12.7%¹. Certain subgroups of Latino workers face alarmingly high unemployment rates, as shown in Figure 1.

Figure 1



¹ U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, The Employment Situation: May 2009. Washington, DC, 2009, <http://www.bls.gov/news.release/emp/sit.nr0.htm> (accessed June 2009).