

## U.S Economy Grows for 81 Consecutive Months

Latino Unemployment Dips as More Workers Are Employed



### Health Care Jobs Grow by 37,000

The health care industry continues its two-month trend of largest growth in June 2017, particularly in ambulatory health care services and hospitals. Employment of health care occupations is projected to grow by 19% from 2014 to 2024, and is primarily due to the needs of an aging U.S. population.

### The Employment Situation for Latino Workers in June 2017

The Department of Labor reported today that employers added 222,000 jobs in June, 50,000 more than what economists predicted. The U.S. economy has added jobs for 80 consecutive months, and June's job report is the 81st month of gains. While the national unemployment increased slightly from 4.3% to 4.4%, this is mainly due to more people looking for work, which is a sign of confidence in the labor market. The Latino unemployment rate dipped from 5.2% in May 2017 to 4.8% in June, a rate not seen since the Winter of 2006. This could be largely attributed to the fact that the number of employed Latino workers increased by 91,000 from May 2017 to June.

Indicators	Latinos, June 2017
<b>Employed</b> • Working people over the age of 16, including those temporarily absent from their jobs	26 million
<b>Unemployed</b> • Those who are available to work, make an effort to find a job, or expect to be called back from a layoff but are not working	1.3 million
<b>Civilian Labor Force</b> • The sum of employed and unemployed people	27.3 million
<b>Not in the Labor Force</b> • People over the age of 16 classified as neither employed nor unemployed	14 million
<b>Unemployment Rate</b> • Share of the labor force that is unemployed	4.8%
<b>Labor Force Participation Rate</b> • Share of the population over the age of 16 that is in the labor force	66%
<b>Employment-Population Ratio</b> • Share of the population over the age of 16 that is working	62.9%

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, "Employment Status of the Hispanic or Latino Population by Sex and Age," *Current Population Survey*, <http://www.bls.gov/news.release/empstat.t03.htm> (accessed July 7, 2017), Table A-3