

Second Straight Month of Strong Job Growth

U.S. Employers Add 255,000 Jobs in July



Professional Services Add Most Jobs in July

The professional and business service industry added 70,000 jobs in July. Within the industry, the professional and technical service sector added 37,000 new jobs. This sector includes occupations such as engineers, web developers, and architects. As of 2015, there were 8,600 Latinos employed in this sector, accounting for fewer than 1% of all workers employed in this space.

The Employment Situation for Latino Workers in July 2016

The U.S. Department of Labor [reported today](#) that U.S. employers added 255,000 jobs in July, well above many economists' estimation of 180,000 jobs. While the national unemployment rate remained at 4.9%, the unemployment rate for Latinos decreased from 5.8% in June to 5.4% in July. The positive trend in Latino unemployment was likely influenced by the continued job growth within the leisure and hospitality industry, where an additional 45,000 jobs were added in July. Latinos are disproportionately represented in the leisure and hospitality industry; they account for 16% of the total workforce, but make up 24.9% of all workers employed in this industry.

Indicators	Latinos, July 2016
Employed • Working people over the age of 16, including those temporarily absent from their jobs	25.3 million
Unemployed • 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	1.4 million
Civilian Labor Force • The sum of employed and unemployed people	26.7 million
Not in the Labor Force • People over the age of 16 classified as neither employed nor unemployed	13.9 million
Unemployment Rate • Share of the labor force that is unemployed	5.4%
Labor Force Participation Rate • Share of the population over the age of 16 that is in the labor force	65.8%
Employment-Population Ratio • Share of the population over the age of 16 that is working	62.2%

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/empsit.t03.htm> (accessed August 5, 2016), Table A-3.