

U.S. Real Unemployment Rate: August 2019 – November 2019
(includes 2.363 mm farm workers and a lagging estimate of self-employed workers of 8.856 mm)
(figures in millions)

This monthly Summary compares (i) the **BLS Unemployment Rate** (i.e., BLS Unemployed Workers divided by the BLS Civilian Labor Force) with (ii) the **Real Unemployment Rate** (i.e., Real Unemployed Workers divided by the Adjusted Civilian Labor Force, each as defined).

	TRAILING THREE MONTHS			
	<u>AUGUST '19</u>	<u>SEPTEMBER '19</u>	<u>OCTOBER '19</u>	<u>NOVEMBER '19</u>
A. BLS Civilian Labor Force ⁽¹⁾	163.992	164.039	164.364	164.404
BLS Unemployed Workers ⁽²⁾	6.044	5.769	5.855	5.811
BLS Unemployment Rate ⁽³⁾	3.70%	3.50%	3.60%	3.50%
<u>Memo:</u>				
<i>(i) average weeks unemployed</i>	22.1	22.0	21.8	20.2
<i>(ii) median weeks unemployed</i>	8.9	9.4	9.3	9.4
<i>(iii) workers unemployed 27 weeks and longer</i>	1.243	1.314	1.264	1.224
B. Adjusted Civilian Labor Force ⁽⁴⁾	165.556	165.338	165.689	165.650
BLS Unemployed Workers ⁽²⁾	6.044	5.769	5.855	5.811
Part-time-of-necessity workers	4.381	4.350	4.438	4.322
Discouraged workers	0.467	0.321	0.341	0.325
Other marginally attached workers ⁽⁵⁾	<u>1.097</u>	<u>0.978</u>	<u>0.984</u>	<u>0.921</u>
Real Unemployed Workers	11.989	11.418	11.618	11.379
Real Unemployment Rate ⁽⁶⁾	7.24%	6.91%	7.01%	6.87%

(1): Includes part-time-of-necessity workers, farm workers and a lagging estimate of self-employed workers.

(2): Does not include part-time-of-necessity, discouraged or other marginally attached workers.

(3): BLS Unemployed Workers divided by BLS Civilian Labor Force.

(4): BLS Civilian Labor Force plus discouraged and other marginally attached workers.

(5): Overall marginally attached workers minus discouraged workers.

(6): Real Unemployed Workers divided by Adjusted Civilian Labor Force.