

A-12. Unemployed persons by duration of unemployment, seasonally adjusted

(Numbers in thousands)

Duration	2008			2009									
	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.
NUMBER OF UNEMPLOYED													
Less than 5 weeks	3,108	3,255	3,267	3,658	3,404	3,371	3,346	3,275	3,204	3,233	3,026	2,966	3,147
5 to 14 weeks	3,055	3,141	3,398	3,519	3,969	4,041	3,982	4,321	4,066	3,557	4,120	3,910	3,717
15 weeks and over	4,109	3,964	4,517	4,634	5,264	5,715	6,211	7,002	7,833	7,880	7,816	8,380	8,834
15 to 26 weeks	1,834	1,757	1,927	1,987	2,347	2,534	2,531	3,054	3,452	2,916	2,828	2,942	3,240
27 weeks and over	2,275	2,207	2,591	2,647	2,917	3,182	3,680	3,948	4,381	4,965	4,988	5,438	5,594
Average (mean) duration, in weeks	19.8	18.9	19.7	19.8	19.8	20.1	21.4	22.5	24.5	25.1	24.9	26.2	26.9
Median duration, in weeks	10.6	10.0	10.6	10.3	11.0	11.2	12.5	14.9	17.9	15.7	15.4	17.3	18.7
PERCENT DISTRIBUTION													
Total unemployed	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Less than 5 weeks	30.3	31.4	29.2	31.0	26.9	25.7	24.7	22.4	21.2	22.0	20.2	19.4	20.0
5 to 14 weeks	29.7	30.3	30.4	29.8	31.4	30.8	29.4	29.6	26.9	24.2	27.5	25.6	23.7
15 weeks and over	40.0	38.3	40.4	39.2	41.7	43.5	45.9	48.0	51.9	53.7	52.2	54.9	56.3
15 to 26 weeks	17.9	17.0	17.2	16.8	18.6	19.3	18.7	20.9	22.9	19.9	18.9	19.3	20.6
27 weeks and over	22.1	21.3	23.2	22.4	23.1	24.2	27.2	27.0	29.0	33.8	33.3	35.6	35.6

NOTE: Updated population controls are introduced annually with the release of January data.