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HOUSEHOLD DATA

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[Percent]

		Not seasonally adjusted			Seasonally adjusted				
Measure	July 2011	June 2012	July 2012	July 2011	Mar. 2012	Apr. 2012	May 2012	June 2012	July 2012
U-1 Persons unemployed 15 weeks or longer, as a percent of the civilian labor force	5.2	4.5	4.3	5.3	4.6	4.5	4.6	4.6	4.5
U-2 Job losers and persons who completed temporary jobs, as a percent of the civilian labor force	5.2	4.4	4.6	5.3	4.5	4.4	4.5	4.6	4.6
U-3 Total unemployed, as a percent of the civilian labor force (official unemployment rate)	9.3	8.4	8.6	9.1	8.2	8.1	8.2	8.2	8.3
U-4 Total unemployed plus discouraged workers, as a percent of the civilian labor force plus discouraged workers	10.0	8.9	9.1	9.7	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.8
U-5 Total unemployed, plus discouraged workers, plus all other persons marginally attached to the labor force, as a percent of the civilian labor force plus all persons marginally attached to the labor force	10.9	9.9	10.0	10.7	9.6	9.5	9.6	9.7	9.7
U-6 Total unemployed, plus all persons marginally attached to the labor force, plus total employed part time for economic reasons, as a percent of the civilian labor force plus all persons marginally attached to the labor force	16.3	15.1	15.2	16.1	14.5	14.5	14.8	14.9	15.0

NOTE: Persons marginally attached to the labor force are those who currently are neither working nor looking for work but indicate that they want and are available for a job and have looked for work sometime in the past 12 months. Discouraged workers, a subset of the marginally attached, have given a job-market related reason for not currently looking for work. Persons employed part time for economic reasons are those who want and are available for full-time work but have had to settle for a part-time schedule. Updated population controls are introduced annually with the release of January data.

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