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### HOUSEHOLD DATA

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[Percent]

Measure	Not seasonally adjusted			Seasonally adjusted					
	Dec. 2011	Nov. 2012	Dec. 2012	Dec. 2011	Aug. 2012	Sept. 2012	Oct. 2012	Nov. 2012	Dec. 2012
U-1 Persons unemployed 15 weeks or longer, as a percent of the civilian labor force	4.8	4.2	4.2	4.9	4.4	4.3	4.4	4.3	4.3
U-2 Job losers and persons who completed temporary jobs, as a percent of the civilian labor force	5.0	3.9	4.3	4.9	4.5	4.2	4.2	4.1	4.1
U-3 Total unemployed, as a percent of the civilian labor force (official unemployment rate)	8.3	7.4	7.6	8.5	8.1	7.8	7.9	7.8	7.8
U-4 Total unemployed plus discouraged workers, as a percent of the civilian labor force plus discouraged workers	8.8	7.9	8.3	9.0	8.6	8.3	8.4	8.3	8.5
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	9.8	8.8	9.2	10.0	9.6	9.3	9.3	9.2	9.4
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	15.2	13.9	14.4	15.2	14.7	14.7	14.5	14.4	14.4

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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