



## U.S. Employment Changes 2014-2015

U.S. employment figures continue to be on the top of a lot of people's minds as the memory of the Great Recession lurks in the back of our minds. Both employment and unemployment have continued to show strength as we pass the five year mark of our current economic expansion. The table below from the Bureau of Labor Statistics compares both employment and unemployment by key occupations at March, 2015 compared to March 2014.

### HOUSEHOLD DATA

**Table A-13. Employed and unemployed persons by occupation, not seasonally adjusted**

[Numbers in thousands]

Occupation	Employed		Unemployed		Unemployment rates	
	Mar. 2014	Mar. 2015	Mar. 2014	Mar. 2015	Mar. 2014	Mar. 2015
<a href="#">Total, 16 years and over(1)</a>	145,090	147,635	10,537	8,682	6.8	5.6
<b>Management, professional, and related occupations</b>	56,036	57,805	1,890	1,398	3.3	2.4
<b>Management, business, and financial operations occupations</b>	23,020	23,955	827	638	3.5	2.6
<b>Professional and related occupations</b>	33,016	33,850	1,063	760	3.1	2.2
<b>Service occupations</b>	25,294	25,010	2,190	1,782	8	6.6
<b>Sales and office occupations</b>	33,745	33,927	2,343	2,000	6.5	5.6
<b>Sales and related occupations</b>	15,901	15,949	1,163	976	6.8	5.8
<b>Office and administrative support occupations</b>	17,844	17,977	1,180	1,024	6.2	5.4
<b>Natural resources, construction, and maintenance occupations</b>	13,005	13,437	1,438	1,366	10	9.2
<b>Farming, fishing, and forestry occupations</b>	910	999	210	186	18.7	15.7
<b>Construction and extraction occupations</b>	7,370	7,439	981	922	11.8	11
<b>Installation, maintenance, and repair occupations</b>	4,726	5,000	247	259	5	4.9
<b>Production occupations</b>	8,135	8,631	698	593	7.9	6.4
<b>Transportation and material moving occupations</b>	8,874	8,825	903	779	9.2	8.1

#### Footnotes

(1) Persons with no previous work experience and persons whose last job was in the U.S. Armed Forces are included in the unemployed total.

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