Job Losers

Out of Labor Force (33.4%)
- Persons under 16 years old,
- Have no job, are not looking for work,
- Military,
- Family Responsibilities,
- Physical or Mental Disability,
- Inmates of Prison,
- Homeless

Do Not Want a Job Now

Want a Job Now

Discouraged Workers
- Want a job, have looked for work in past 12 months, are available, but feel that no jobs are available

Did Not Look Last Year
- Retired,
- Disability,
- Family Responsibilities,
- Attending School, keeps them from participating in the Labor Force

New Entrants
- No prior work experience

Reentrants
- Previously worked but were out of the labor force prior to beginning their work search

Voluntary Part Time
Noneconomic Reasons
- Does not want to work full time, or not available for F.T.,
  Child care problems, personal obligations, school or training

Involuntary Part Time
Economic Reasons
- Wants & available for F.T.
  Can't find full time work, seasonal declines in demand, slack work, unfavorable business conditions

Temporary Job Losers
- Given a return to work date or expect to return in 6 months

Permanent Job Losers
- Employment ended involuntarily and began looking for work

Job Leavers
- Employment ended voluntarily and began looking for work

Unemployed
- No work for pay/profit during reference week,
  Actively looked for work in prior 4 weeks,
  Available for work

Unemployed (33.4%)

Employed
- Any work at all for pay during the Reference Week,
- At least 15 hours of unpaid work in family business,
- Temporary Absence for vacation, illness, labor dispute, bad weather, child care, personal reasons, etc.

Civilian Labor Force (65.6%)

Civilian Non-Institutional Population, 16 +
(excludes military and institutionalized persons)

Nationally, the labor force statistics are derived from the Current Population Survey (CPS), which is conducted by the Bureau of Census for the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS). This monthly survey is based on a selected sample of the working-age population 16 years of age and over. The national CPS sample currently consists of approximately 60,000 households; there are 1,300 in Rhode Island. Each household in the sample represents about 1,600 households throughout the United States.