

# U.S. Economy Added 312,000 Jobs In December 2018

## ONE-MONTH CHANGE IN EMPLOYMENT <sup>1</sup>

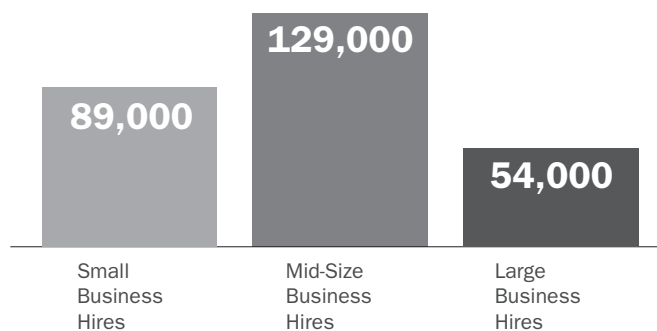
October, 2018	250,000
November, 2018	155,000
<sup>1</sup> December, 2018	312,000

## ONE-MONTH CHANGE IN EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY <sup>1</sup>

Industry	People Employed November, 2018	People Employed December, 2018	Gain or Loss
Mining, logging	754,000	758,000	4,000
Construction	7,314,000	7,352,000	38,000
Manufacturing	12,810,000	12,842,000	32,000
Wholesale	6,022,400	6,030,800	8,400
Retail	15,928,900	15,952,700	23,800
Transportation	5,423,800	5,426,000	2,200
Utilities	553,400	553,900	500
Information, media	2,761,000	2,760,000	-1,000
Finance, real estate	8,615,000	8,621,000	6,000
Professional	21,217,000	21,260,000	43,000
Health, education	23,815,000	23,897,000	82,000
Leisure, hospitality	16,458,000	16,513,000	55,000
Services, miscellaneous	5,884,000	5,892,000	8,000
<sup>B1</sup> Government	22,394,000	22,405,000	11,000

## DECEMBER 2018, HIRES BY BUSINESS SIZE <sup>2</sup>

(ADP PAYROLL SURVEY)



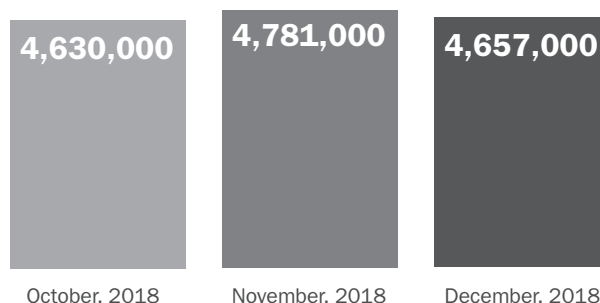
# 156,945,000 People Were Employed In December, 2018

October, 2018	156,582,000
November, 2018	156,803,000
<b>December, 2018</b>	<b>156,945,000</b>

## ONE-YEAR CHANGE IN EMPLOYMENT BY OCCUPATION <sup>1</sup>

Occupation	People Employed December, 2017	People Employed December, 2018	Gain or Loss
Management	25,760,000	26,450,000	690,000
Professional	36,361,000	37,192,000	831,000
Service	25,826,000	26,271,000	445,000
Sales	15,985,000	16,217,000	232,000
Office, administrative	17,649,000	17,500,000	-149,000
Farming, fishing, forestry	1,107,000	1,148,000	41,000
Construction, extraction	8,198,000	8,390,000	192,000
Installation, maintenance, repair	4,994,000	4,901,000	-93,000
Production	8,546,000	8,689,000	143,000
Transportation, material moving	9,177,000	9,722,000	545,000

## PEOPLE WORKING PART TIME FOR ECONOMIC REASONS <sup>1</sup>



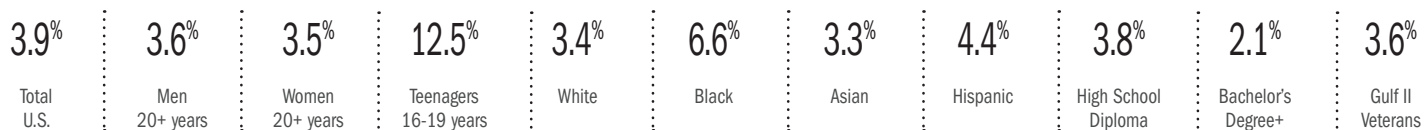
## ONE-YEAR CHANGE IN HOURS AND WAGES <sup>1</sup>

	December, 2017	December, 2018
Average workweek	34.5 hours	34.5 hours
Average overtime in manufacturing	3.5 hours	3.6 hours
Average hourly earnings	\$26.64	\$27.48
Average weekly earnings	\$919.08	\$948.06

# 6,294,000 People Were Unemployed In December, 2018

October, 2018	6,112,000
November, 2018	6,018,000
<sup>A</sup> December, 2018	6,294,000

## DECEMBER 2018, UNEMPLOYMENT RATES <sup>1</sup>

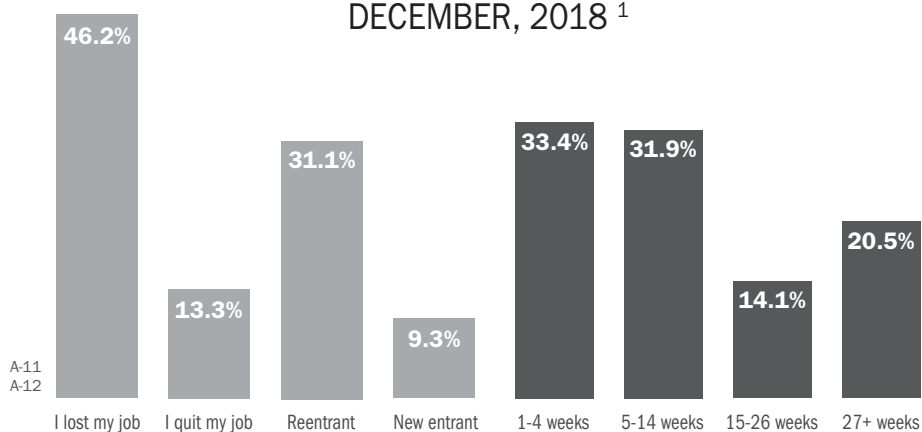


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## UNEMPLOYMENT BY OCCUPATION <sup>1</sup>

	People Unemployed December, 2018	Unemployment Rate
Management	582,000	2.2
Professional	786,000	2.1
Service	1,301,000	4.7
Sales	602,000	3.6
Office, administrative	642,000	3.5
Farming, fishing, forestry	143,000	11.1
Construction, extraction	539,000	6.0
Installation, maintenance, repair	175,000	3.4
Production	298,000	3.3
<sup>A-13</sup> Transportation, material moving	448,000	4.4

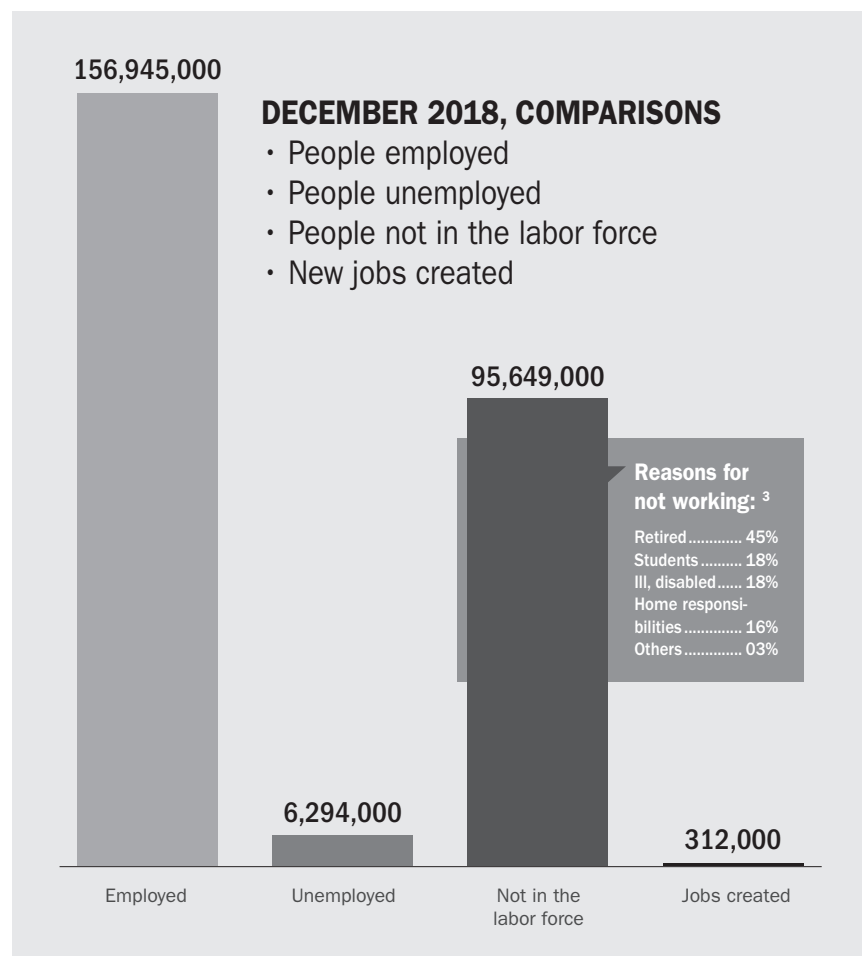
## REASON FOR JOB LOSS & LENGTH OF UNEMPLOYMENT DECEMBER, 2018 <sup>1</sup>



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# 95,649,000 People, Age 16 Years And Older, Were Not In The Labor Force In December, 2018

October, 2018	95,821,000
November, 2018	95,886,000
<b>December, 2018</b>	<b>95,649,000</b>



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1 <http://www.bls.gov/news.release/empsit.nr0.htm>

2 <http://www.adpemploymentreport.com/2018/December/NER/NER-December-2018.aspx>

3 <https://www.bls.gov/opub/btn/volume-4/people-who-are-not-in-the-labor-force-why-arent-they-working.htm>