

- (2) **Persons without Jobs and Seeking Work.**—This classification includes those persons who were looking for work during the survey week and did not work. Persons who were temporarily away from their jobs during the whole of the survey week seeking other work were considered as without jobs and were included in this category. In addition to those who were actively looking for work, this classification includes persons who would have looked for work, except that they were temporarily ill, were on indefinite or prolonged layoff, or believed that no work was available.

Information relating to the population 14 years of age or over not in the labour force is also collected. Persons not in the labour force include such groups as those going to school or keeping house in their own homes, persons who are permanently unable to work because of old age or other reason, and persons who are retired or voluntarily idle. Persons such as housewives, students and others who worked part time are classed as "persons with jobs" or, if looking for work, they are classed as "persons without jobs and seeking work".

The estimates derived from the labour force surveys are subject to sampling error. In general the percentage of error tends to decrease as the size of the estimate increases. The chances are about 19 out of 20 that the difference between the estimate and the figure which would have been obtained from a complete count is less than that shown below.

	<u>Size of Estimate</u>	<u>Sampling Variability</u>
50,000.....		8,000
100,000.....		11,000
500,000.....		25,000
1,000,000.....		33,000
5,000,000.....		54,000

Data in Table 2 for June 1, 1946 to 1957, are compiled from labour force surveys conducted in late May or early June of those years. The information for years before 1946 is taken from estimates based upon 1931 and 1941 Census material rearranged according to the definitional system used in the labour force surveys, the revised census data being linked with the June 1946 survey on the basis of monthly and annual employment and unemployment figures.

2.—Estimates of the Civilian Labour Force and its Main Components, June 1, 1931-57

NOTE.—Figures do not include persons in institutions and Indians on reserves. Figures for 1931-45 inclusive have been revised since the publication of the 1956 Year Book.

Year	Civilian Labour Force (14 years of age or over)								Persons not in the Labour Force (14 years of age or over)
	Civilian Population (14 years of age or over)	Persons with Jobs					Persons without Jobs and Seeking Work	Total Labour Force	
		Non-agriculture			Agriculture	Total (with jobs)			
		Paid Workers	Other ¹	Total (non-agriculture)					
'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	
1931.....	7,116	2,028	426	2,454	1,216	3,670	481	4,151	2,965
1932.....	7,240	1,848	385	2,233	1,237	3,470	741	4,211	3,029
1933.....	7,366	1,717	475	2,192	1,257	3,449	826	4,275	3,091
1934.....	7,491	1,931	499	2,430	1,277	3,707	631	4,338	3,153
1935.....	7,621	1,941	538	2,479	1,298	3,777	625	4,402	3,219
1936.....	7,748	1,994	582	2,576	1,319	3,895	571	4,466	3,282
1937.....	7,870	2,108	668	2,776	1,339	4,115	411	4,526	3,344
1938.....	7,997	2,075	632	2,707	1,359	4,066	522	4,588	3,409
1939.....	8,122	2,079	662	2,741	1,379	4,120	529	4,649	3,473
1940.....	8,140	2,197	643	2,840	1,344	4,184	423	4,607	3,533

¹ Employers, 'own account' and unpaid family workers.