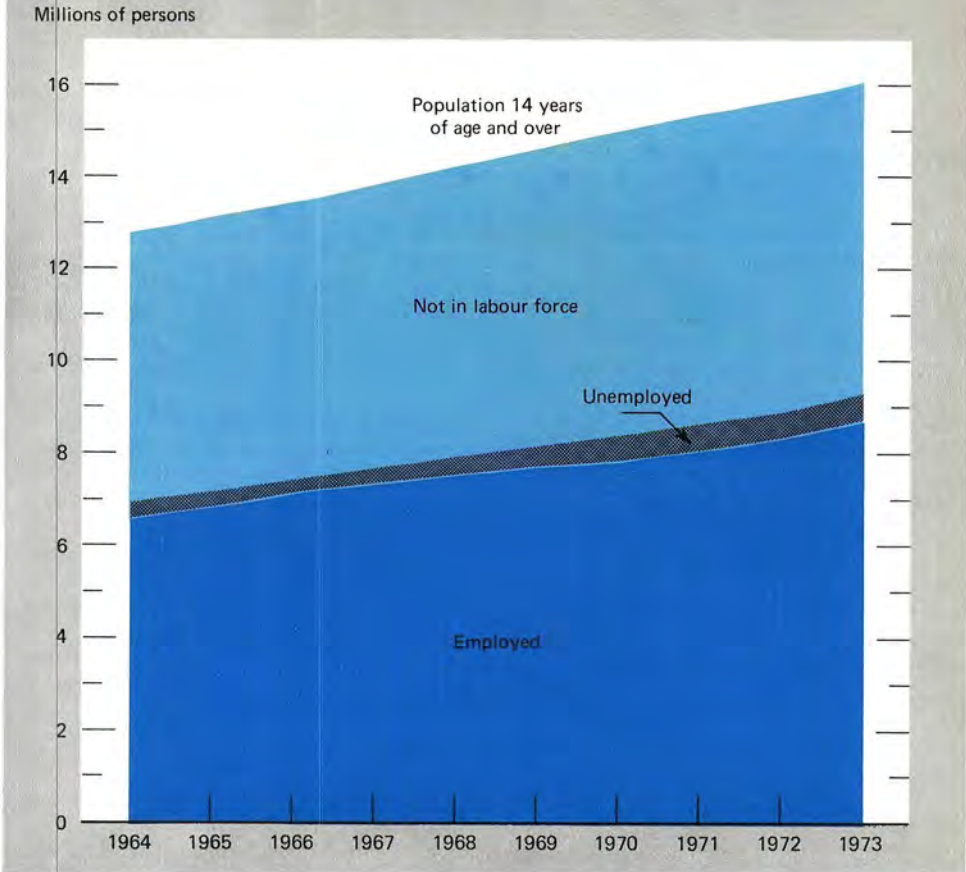


Estimates of the civilian labour force
and its main components, 1964-73
(figures not adjusted for seasonality)



or profit; did any work which contributed to the running of a farm or business operated by a related member of the household; or had a job but were not at work because of bad weather, illness, industrial dispute or vacation, or because they were taking time off for other reasons. People who had jobs but did not work during the reference week and who also looked for work are included in the unemployed as people without work and seeking work.

The unemployed are all those who, through the reference week, were without work and seeking work, i.e. did not work during the reference week and were looking for work, or would have been looking for work except that they were temporarily ill, were on indefinite or prolonged lay-off, or believed no suitable work was available in the community; were temporarily laid off for the full week, i.e. were waiting to be called back to a job from which they had been laid off for less than 30 days.

Those not in the labour force include all civilians 14 years of age and over (exclusive of the institutional population) who are not classified as employed or unemployed. This category includes people going to school, keeping house, too old or otherwise unable to work, and voluntarily idle or retired. Housewives, students and others who worked part-time are classified as employed or, if they looked for work, as unemployed.

Because they are based on a sample of households, estimates derived from the labour force survey are subject to sampling error. In the design and processing of the survey, extensive efforts are made to minimize the sampling error; in general, the percentage of error tends