

Number of Employed Latinos Increased

U.S. Employers Added 178,000 Jobs in November



Professional Services Continue Strong Growth

For the third month in a row, professional services topped the list as the industry creating the highest number of jobs. Accounting added the most, with 18,000 new workers, which is significant for Latinos, as they have the highest representation of any racial or ethnic group in this occupation.

The Employment Situation for Latino Workers in November 2016

The U.S. Department of Labor [reported](#) today that employers added 178,000 jobs in November, up from October's addition of 142,000. Employment growth this year averages 180,000 per month, fewer than 2015's average of 229,000. The U.S. unemployment rate decreased from 4.9% to 4.6%, likely due to modest job growth and to 446,000 people dropping out of the labor force since October. While the Latino unemployment rate remains high at 5.7%, job growth in professional services, construction, and ambulatory health care increased the number of employed Latino workers by 64,000 from October 2016.

Indicators	Latinos, November 2016
Employed • Working people over the age of 16, including those temporarily absent from their jobs	25.4 million
Unemployed • Those who are available to work, try to find a job, or expect to be called back from a layoff but are not working	1.5 million
Civilian Labor Force • The sum of employed and unemployed people	26.9 million
Not in the Labor Force • People over the age of 16 classified as neither employed nor unemployed	14.1 million
Unemployment Rate • Share of the labor force that is unemployed	5.7%
Labor Force Participation Rate • Share of the population over the age of 16 that is in the labor force	65.7%
Employment-Population Ratio • Share of the population over the age of 16 that is working	61.9%

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, "Employment Status of the Hispanic or Latino Population by Sex and Age," *Current Population Survey*, <http://www.bls.gov/news.release/empsit.t03.htm> (accessed December 2, 2016), Table A-3.