

**Table 1****Labor force participation and unemployment of U.S. civilian population and LSDR population: 2015–19**

(Percent)

Population	Labor force participation		Unemployment	
	CPS	LSDR <sup>a</sup>	CPS	LSDR <sup>a</sup>
General age range <sup>b</sup>				
2015	76.71	95.80	4.32	1.56
2017	77.41	94.17	3.62	1.70
2019	78.20	91.68	2.97	1.43
Older age range <sup>c</sup>				
2015	63.93	90.32	3.77	1.85
2017	64.52	84.73	3.10	2.54
2019	65.35	76.91	2.57	2.03

CPS = Current Population Survey; LSDR = Survey of Doctorate Recipients longitudinal panel.

<sup>a</sup> The LSDR target population consists of approximately 856,000 U.S.-trained research doctorate holders in science, engineering, or health fields who earned their doctorates before 2014 and were 65 years of age or younger in 2015.

<sup>b</sup> General age range is 25–64 years for the CPS and all ages for the LSDR.

<sup>c</sup> Older age range is 55–64 years for the CPS and 56–65 years in 2015 for the LSDR.

**Note(s):**

Labor force and unemployment statistics of U.S. civilian population are CPS 2015, 2017, and 2019 annual average employment status tables are available at <https://www.bls.gov/charts/employment-situation/civilian-labor-force-participation-rate.htm> and at <https://www.bls.gov/charts/employment-situation/civilian-unemployment.htm>. CPS definitions for U.S. civilian population and labor force are detailed at <https://www.bls.gov/cps/definitions.htm#population>.

**Source(s):**

National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics, Survey of Doctorate Recipients longitudinal panel 2015–25 (LSDR 2015–19 data file).