

Labor force share and unemployment rate by age category, 1980q1-2007q4

	1980q1	1990q3	2001q1	2007q4	Percentage-point change 1980q1 to 2007q4
Share of labor force					
<i>Age 16-19</i>	8.9%	6.1%	5.7%	4.6%	-4.4
<i>20-24</i>	14.9	11.7	10.1	9.9	-5.0
<i>25-34</i>	27.1	28.5	22.6	21.6	-5.5
<i>35-44</i>	19.0	25.6	26.2	23.0	4.1
<i>45-54</i>	15.9	16.1	22.1	23.4	7.5
<i>55 and over</i>	14.2	11.9	13.3	17.5	3.4
<i>All</i>	100%	100%	100%	100%	--
Unemployment rate					
<i>Age 16-19</i>	16.5%	15.9%	13.8%	16.4%	-0.1
<i>20-24</i>	10.1	8.9	7.4	8.6	-1.5
<i>25-34</i>	5.9	5.7	4.0	4.8	-1.1
<i>35-44</i>	4.0	4.3	3.1	3.6	-0.4
<i>45-54</i>	3.5	3.4	2.8	3.4	-0.1
<i>55 and over</i>	3.0	3.2	2.7	3.1	0.1
<i>All</i>	6.3%	5.7%	4.2%	4.8%	-1.5

Table 4.1 from: Mishel, Lawrence, Jared Bernstein, and Heidi Shierholz, *The State of Working America* 2008/2009. An Economic Policy Institute Book. Ithaca, N.Y.: ILR Press, an imprint of Cornell University Press, 2009.

