

The answer is B - 10%

<u>Employment status, sex, and age</u>	<u>2015</u>
Civilian noninstitutional population	250,461,000
Ave labor force participation rate (1984-08)	<u>x 66.2%</u>
Expected employment (66.2%)	165,805,182
Actual employment	149,194,000

$$\text{Actual/Expected (66.2\%)} = 149,194,000/165,805,182 = 89.98\%$$

$$\text{Unemployment equal (1- 0.8998)} = 10.02\%$$

Bureau of Labor Statistics

Labor Force Statistics from the Current Population Survey
Original Data Value

Series Id: LNU01300000Q
 Not Seasonally Adjusted
 Series title: (Unadj-Not Seasonally Adjusted) Labor Force Participation Rate
 Labor force status: Civilian labor force participation rate
 Type of data: Percent or rate
 Age: 16 years and over
 Years: 1984 to 2015

Year	Qtr1	Qtr2	Qtr3	Qtr4	Annual	
1984	63.4	64.5	65.1	64.4	64.4	
1985	64.1	64.8	65.4	64.9	64.8	
1986	64.4	65.3	66.0	65.3	65.3	
1987	64.8	65.6	66.2	65.7	65.6	
1988	65.2	65.8	66.6	66.1	65.9	
1989	65.7	66.5	67.1	66.5	66.5	
1990	66.2	66.7	67.1	66.3	66.6	
1991	65.7	66.4	66.6	66.0	66.2	
1992	65.8	66.6	67.1	66.2	66.4	
1993	65.7	66.9	66.9	66.3	66.5	
1994	66.1	66.6	67.0	66.7	66.6	
1995	66.2	66.7	67.1	66.5	66.6	
1996	66.1	66.8	67.3	66.9	66.8	
1997	66.6	67.2	67.6	67.1	67.1	
1998	66.7	67.1	67.4	67.1	67.1	
1999	66.8	67.1	67.4	67.0	67.1	
2000	67.0	67.2	67.2	66.9	67.1	
2001	66.9	66.8	66.9	66.6	66.8	
2002	66.4	66.7	66.8	66.3	66.6	
2003	66.1	66.4	66.4	66.0	66.2	
2004	65.8	66.0	66.3	66.0	66.0	
2005	65.5	66.1	66.5	66.1	66.1	
2006	65.7	66.2	66.5	66.3	66.2	
2007	65.9	66.0	66.3	66.0	66.1	
2008	65.6	66.1	66.4	65.9	66.0	66.2 = Average labor force participation rate (1984 thru 2008)
2009	65.4	65.7	65.6	64.8	65.4	
2010	64.7	64.9	64.9	64.3	64.7	
2011	63.9	64.2	64.4	63.9	64.1	
2012	63.5	63.8	63.9	63.6	63.7	
2013	63.2	63.5	63.5	62.8	63.3	
2014	62.7	63.0	63.1	62.7	62.9	
2015	62.5	62.9			62.7	63.8 = Average labor force participation rate (2009 thru 2015) 65.7 = Average labor force participation rate (1985 thru 2015)

**HOUSEHOLD DATA
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED
QUARTERLY AVERAGES**

E-11. Employment status of the civilian noninstitutional population by sex, age, and race
[Numbers in thousands]

Employment status, sex, and age	Total		White		Black or African American		Asian	
	2nd 2014	2nd 2015	2nd 2014	2nd 2015	2nd 2014	2nd 2015	2nd 2014	2nd 2015
TOTAL								
Civilian noninstitutional population.....	247,625	250,461	195,312	196,678	30,788	31,327	13,806	14,374
Civilian labor force.....	155,894	157,519	123,448	123,901	18,795	19,455	8,761	9,102
Participation rate.....	63.0	62.9	63.2	63.0	61.0	62.1	63.5	63.3
Employed.....	146,423	149,194	116,983	118,232	16,728	17,589	8,291	8,734
Unemployed.....	9,472	8,325	6,465	5,669	2,066	1,865	470	369
Unemployment rate.....	6.1	5.3	5.2	4.6	11.0	9.6	5.4	4.0
Not in labor force.....	91,731	92,942	71,864	72,777	11,993	11,872	5,046	5,272
Men, 16 years and over								
Civilian noninstitutional population.....	119,583	120,930	95,415	96,050	13,969	14,238	6,435	6,729
Civilian labor force.....	82,892	83,946	66,747	67,264	8,861	9,220	4,673	4,815
Participation rate.....	69.3	69.4	70.0	70.0	63.4	64.8	72.6	71.5
Employed.....	77,749	79,457	63,191	64,162	7,812	8,278	4,389	4,607
Unemployed.....	5,144	4,489	3,557	3,103	1,049	943	284	207
Unemployment rate.....	6.2	5.3	5.3	4.6	11.8	10.2	6.1	4.3
Not in labor force.....	36,691	36,984	28,668	28,785	5,109	5,018	1,762	1,914
Men, 20 years and over								
Civilian noninstitutional population.....	111,128	112,501	89,089	89,766	12,720	13,002	6,026	6,313
Civilian labor force.....	80,017	80,949	64,465	64,856	8,527	8,888	4,572	4,722
Participation rate.....	72.0	72.0	72.4	72.3	67.0	68.4	75.9	74.8
Employed.....	75,512	77,067	61,379	62,195	7,596	8,049	4,301	4,534
Unemployed.....	4,505	3,882	3,086	2,661	931	839	271	188
Unemployment rate.....	5.6	4.8	4.8	4.1	10.9	9.4	5.9	4.0
Not in labor force.....	31,111	31,553	24,624	24,909	4,193	4,113	1,454	1,591
Women, 16 years and over								
Civilian noninstitutional population.....	128,042	129,531	99,896	100,628	16,818	17,089	7,371	7,645
Civilian labor force.....	73,002	73,572	56,700	56,636	9,934	10,234	4,087	4,288
Participation rate.....	57.0	56.8	56.8	56.3	59.1	59.9	55.5	56.1
Employed.....	68,674	69,737	53,792	54,071	8,916	9,312	3,901	4,126
Unemployed.....	4,328	3,836	2,908	2,566	1,018	922	186	161
Unemployment rate.....	5.9	5.2	5.1	4.5	10.2	9.0	4.6	3.8
Not in labor force.....	55,040	55,959	43,196	43,992	6,885	6,855	3,284	3,357
Women, 20 years and over								
Civilian noninstitutional population.....	119,853	121,344	93,837	94,587	15,554	15,834	6,936	7,202
Civilian labor force.....	70,057	70,607	54,384	54,340	9,564	9,832	3,996	4,192
Participation rate.....	58.5	58.2	58.0	57.4	61.5	62.1	57.6	58.2
Employed.....	66,290	67,267	51,850	52,088	8,670	9,037	3,828	4,049
Unemployed.....	3,767	3,340	2,534	2,252	894	795	169	143
Unemployment rate.....	5.4	4.7	4.7	4.1	9.3	8.1	4.2	3.4
Not in labor force.....	49,797	50,738	39,453	40,248	5,990	6,003	2,940	3,010
Both sexes, 16 to 19 years								
Civilian noninstitutional population.....	16,644	16,616	12,386	12,325	2,513	2,491	845	859
Civilian labor force.....	5,821	5,964	4,599	4,705	703	734	193	188
Participation rate.....	35.0	35.9	37.1	38.2	28.0	29.5	22.8	21.9
Employed.....	4,621	4,860	3,754	3,949	462	503	162	151
Unemployed.....	1,200	1,103	845	756	241	231	31	38
Unemployment rate.....	20.6	18.5	18.4	16.1	34.3	31.5	16.0	20.1
Not in labor force.....	10,823	10,652	7,787	7,620	1,810	1,756	652	671

NOTE: Estimates for the above race groups (white, black or African American, and Asian) do not sum to totals because data are not presented for all races. Updated population controls are introduced annually with the release of January data.