

EMPLOYMENT IN APPALACHIA

Use *The Appalachian Region: A Data Overview from the 2012-2016 American Community Survey*—also known as the Chartbook—to discover more about employment in Appalachia. Authored by the Population Reference Bureau with the Appalachian Regional Commission, the Chartbook features data on income, employment, education, and other indicators at the regional, subregional, state, and county levels, and examines data change over recent years to show trends.

LABOR FORCE PARTICIPATION

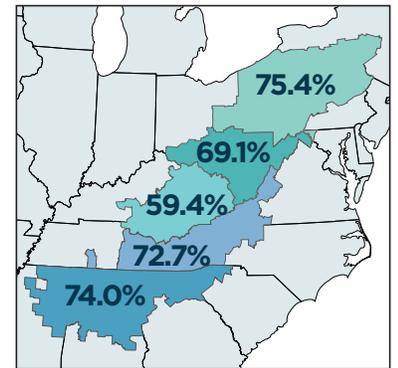


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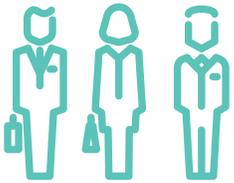
of **Appalachia's** working-age adults (ages 25-64) participate in the civilian labor force. The **U.S.** rate is **77.4%**.

LABOR FORCE PARTICIPATION BY SUBREGION

Labor force participation is highest in **Northern and Southern Appalachia**.



UNEMPLOYMENT RATE



6.1%

of **Appalachia's** working-age adults in the civilian labor force are unemployed. This is **equal to** the **U.S. rate**.

UNEMPLOYMENT RATE BY SUBREGION

The unemployment rate for working-age adults is **lowest** in **Northern Appalachia** and **highest** in **Central Appalachia**.

Northern Appalachia 5.6%

South Central Appalachia 6.2%

Southern Appalachia 6.2%

North Central Appalachia 6.3%

Central Appalachia 8.0%

EMPLOYMENT LOCATION



31.5% of **Appalachian workers** age 16+ work outside the county they live in, compared with **27.6%** of **U.S. workers**.