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**Symbols Used in Tables**

- Represents zero or rounds to zero.
  - X Not applicable.
  - B Base is less than 200,000.
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# Disability, Functional Limitation, and Health Insurance Coverage: 1984/85

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## INTRODUCTION

The third wave supplement to the 1984 panel of the Survey of Income and Program Participation (SIPP) conducted during the May-August 1984 period, contained a set of questions on disability status. A major purpose of the questions was to allow researchers and policy makers to learn more about the relationship between disability and program participation, but the data also have a more general interest in that they show the extent of disablement among the noninstitutional population and show how the characteristics of the disabled differ from those of the nondisabled.

The determination of disability status in a household survey is dependent upon the definition of disability that is used and on the question wording and other design features of the particular survey. The disability questions that were asked in the third wave of the 1984 SIPP are reproduced in appendix D. The SIPP disability questions can be divided into four groups. The first group asked about the ability of persons 15 years and over to perform a set of sensory and physical activities including (1) seeing, (2) hearing, (3) speaking, (4) lifting or carrying, (5) walking, (6) using stairs, (7) getting around outside, (8) getting around inside, and (9) getting into and out of bed. Except for the activity of speaking, persons with a difficulty performing the activity were asked whether they could perform the activity at all. The second group of disability questions were asked of persons 16 to 72 years of age and concerned the ability to work at a job or business. The third group was addressed to persons 15 years old and over and asked whether the help of another person was required for the activities of (1) doing light housework, (2) preparing meals, (3) taking care of personal needs (dressing, eating, and personal hygiene), and (4) getting around (outside the home, inside the home, or in and out of bed). The fourth group of questions was addressed to children under 18 years of age and asked if the child had (1) a long-lasting physical condition that limited his or her ability to walk, run, or play, or (2) a long-lasting mental or emotional problem that limited his or her ability to learn or do regular schoolwork.

Most of the material in this report concerns measures of disability status, but information is also presented on health insurance coverage status. Text table I shows information for the fourth quarter of 1985, and detailed table 10 shows information for eight quarters beginning with the first quarter of 1984.

## LIMITATIONS IN SPECIFIED FUNCTIONAL ACTIVITIES

Table A shows the number and percentage of persons 15 years of age and over who were limited in their ability to perform specific functional activities. The number who experienced difficulty in seeing words and letters in ordinary newsprint (even when wearing glasses or contact lenses) was 12.8 million, or 7.1 percent of the total universe of 181 million persons. The number with a severe limitation (not able to see words and letters at all) was 1.7 million, or 0.9 percent of the population. Persons 65 years of age and over were much more likely than younger persons to have difficulty seeing. Among the older group, 21.7 percent had difficulty and 4.5 percent were unable to see words and letters. The comparable figures for persons 15 to 64 years of age were 4.6 and 0.3 percent, respectively.

Approximately 7.7 million persons 15 years and over had difficulty hearing what was said in a normal conversation and 0.5 million were completely unable to hear such a conversation. Among those with a hearing problem, 4.0 million were 65 and over. The rate of hearing impairment was 2.4 percent among the younger group and 15.2 percent among the older group. (The rate among all persons 15 and over was 4.3 percent.)

The number of persons with a problem having his or her speech understood was 2.5 million, or 1.4 percent of the population 15 and over.

Approximately 19.2 million persons had difficulty walking a quarter of a mile, and 18.1 million had difficulty walking up a flight of stairs without resting. The number who were unable to walk a quarter of a mile was 8.0 million and 5.2 million could not walk up a flight of stairs on their own. Older persons were more likely than younger persons to have difficulty with or be prevented from performing these activities. The proportion of persons 65 and over who were unable to walk a quarter of a mile was 18.5 percent, and 12.8 percent were unable to walk up a flight of stairs.

A relatively large number of persons had difficulty with the task of lifting or carrying something as heavy as a full bag of groceries. About 18.2 million persons had difficulty lifting or carrying, and 7.8 million were unable to perform the task. The proportion of elderly persons unable to perform the task was 16.9 percent.

The final three functional activities asked about were getting around outside the house, getting around inside the house,

**Table A. Limitations in Specific Functional Activities**

(Persons 15 years and over. Numbers in thousands)

| Activity                           | Total,<br>15 years<br>and over | 15 to 64<br>years | 65 years<br>and over |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------|----------------------|
| Total.....                         | 180,987                        | 154,565           | 26,422               |
| <b>SEEING</b>                      |                                |                   |                      |
| With a limitation:                 |                                |                   |                      |
| Number.....                        | 12,802                         | 7,061             | 5,742                |
| Percent.....                       | 7.1                            | 4.6               | 21.7                 |
| With a severe limitation:          |                                |                   |                      |
| Number.....                        | 1,686                          | 491               | 1,196                |
| Percent.....                       | 0.9                            | 0.3               | 4.5                  |
| <b>HEARING</b>                     |                                |                   |                      |
| With a limitation:                 |                                |                   |                      |
| Number.....                        | 7,694                          | 3,677             | 4,017                |
| Percent.....                       | 4.3                            | 2.4               | 15.2                 |
| With a severe limitation:          |                                |                   |                      |
| Number.....                        | 481                            | 297               | 184                  |
| Percent.....                       | 0.3                            | 0.2               | 0.7                  |
| <b>SPEECH</b>                      |                                |                   |                      |
| With a limitation:                 |                                |                   |                      |
| Number.....                        | 2,510                          | 1,586             | 923                  |
| Percent.....                       | 1.4                            | 1.0               | 3.5                  |
| <b>LIFTING OR CARRYING</b>         |                                |                   |                      |
| With a limitation:                 |                                |                   |                      |
| Number.....                        | 18,208                         | 9,286             | 8,922                |
| Percent.....                       | 10.1                           | 6.0               | 33.8                 |
| With a severe limitation:          |                                |                   |                      |
| Number.....                        | 7,843                          | 3,383             | 4,460                |
| Percent.....                       | 4.3                            | 2.2               | 16.9                 |
| <b>WALKING</b>                     |                                |                   |                      |
| With a limitation:                 |                                |                   |                      |
| Number.....                        | 19,207                         | 9,272             | 9,935                |
| Percent.....                       | 10.6                           | 6.0               | 37.6                 |
| With a severe limitation:          |                                |                   |                      |
| Number.....                        | 7,959                          | 3,072             | 4,887                |
| Percent.....                       | 4.4                            | 2.0               | 18.5                 |
| <b>USING STAIRS</b>                |                                |                   |                      |
| With a limitation:                 |                                |                   |                      |
| Number.....                        | 18,063                         | 8,833             | 9,230                |
| Percent.....                       | 10.0                           | 5.7               | 34.9                 |
| With a severe limitation:          |                                |                   |                      |
| Number.....                        | 5,191                          | 1,814             | 3,376                |
| Percent.....                       | 2.9                            | 1.2               | 12.8                 |
| <b>GETTING AROUND OUTSIDE</b>      |                                |                   |                      |
| With a limitation:                 |                                |                   |                      |
| Number.....                        | 5,998                          | 2,038             | 3,960                |
| Percent.....                       | 3.3                            | 1.3               | 15.0                 |
| With a severe limitation:          |                                |                   |                      |
| Number.....                        | 3,601                          | 1,091             | 2,510                |
| Percent.....                       | 2.0                            | 0.7               | 9.5                  |
| <b>GETTING AROUND INSIDE</b>       |                                |                   |                      |
| With a limitation:                 |                                |                   |                      |
| Number.....                        | 2,528                          | 867               | 1,661                |
| Percent.....                       | 1.4                            | 0.6               | 6.3                  |
| With a severe limitation:          |                                |                   |                      |
| Number.....                        | 1,229                          | 413               | 816                  |
| Percent.....                       | 0.7                            | 0.3               | 3.1                  |
| <b>GETTING INTO AND OUT OF BED</b> |                                |                   |                      |
| With a limitation:                 |                                |                   |                      |
| Number.....                        | 2,057                          | 735               | 1,322                |
| Percent.....                       | 1.1                            | 0.5               | 5.0                  |
| With a severe limitation:          |                                |                   |                      |
| Number.....                        | 1,208                          | 509               | 699                  |
| Percent.....                       | 0.7                            | 0.3               | 2.6                  |

and getting into and out of bed. Approximately 6 million persons had difficulty getting around outside the house and 3.6 million were unable to get around outside the house without the help of another person. Approximately 2.5 million persons had difficulty getting around inside the house and 2.1 million had difficulty getting into and out of bed. The number of persons who were unable to get around inside their home without the help of another person was 1.2 million, and about the same number were unable to get into or out of bed without the help of another person. Among the elderly, 9.5 percent needed the help of another person to get around outside the home, and 3.1 percent needed help to get around inside the home. The comparable rates for persons under 65 years of age were 0.7 percent and 0.3 percent, respectively.

### FUNCTIONAL LIMITATION STATUS BY SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS

Tables B and C show a summary measure of functional limitation status by selected characteristics. Persons were considered to have a functional limitation if they had difficulty performing one or more of the specific activities discussed above. They were considered to have a severe functional limitation if they were unable to perform one or more of the activities or if they needed the help of another person in order to perform one or more of the activities.

There were 37.3 million persons 15 years of age or older with a functional limitation and 13.5 million persons in this age group had a severe limitation.

Of those with a limitation, 21.8 million were under 65 years of age and 15.5 million were 65 and over. Of the 13.5 million with a severe limitation, 6.0 million were under 65, and 7.5 million were 65 and over. Females made up 59 percent of the population 65 years and over, and the difference between the sexes in age distribution contributed to the fact that females were more likely than males to have a functional limitation. The proportion of females with a functional limitation was 23.3 percent, and 9.4 percent had a severe limitation; the comparable rates for males were 17.7 percent and 5.4 percent. Females 65 years of age and over made up 8.6 percent of the population in general, but they made up 26.0 percent of those with a functional limitation and 38.4 percent of those with a severe limitation.

The rate of limitation among Blacks was higher than the rate among Whites or Hispanics.<sup>1</sup> The rate was 24.9 percent among Blacks, 20.2 percent among Whites, and 19.2 percent among persons of Spanish origin (the latter two rates were not statistically different). Among the elderly, 75.0 percent of Blacks had a limitation, compared with 58.6 percent of Hispanics and 56.9 percent of Whites (the White and Hispanic rates were not statistically different).

The data in table C show the relationship between functional limitation status by detailed age categories and other selected characteristics. The functional limitation rate increased with age, from 5.2 percent for persons 15 to 24 years, to

<sup>1</sup>The terms "Hispanic" and "Spanish origin" are used interchangeably.

**Table B. Functional Limitation Status, by Sex, Age, Race, and Spanish Origin**

(Persons 15 years and over. Numbers in thousands)

| Sex and age               | All races | White   | Black  | Spanish origin <sup>1</sup> |
|---------------------------|-----------|---------|--------|-----------------------------|
| <b>BOTH SEXES</b>         |           |         |        |                             |
| Total, 15 and over....    | 180,987   | 156,009 | 20,018 | 9,394                       |
| With a limitation:        |           |         |        |                             |
| Number.....               | 37,304    | 31,568  | 4,975  | 1,808                       |
| Percent.....              | 20.6      | 20.2    | 24.9   | 19.2                        |
| With a severe limitation: |           |         |        |                             |
| Number.....               | 13,537    | 11,394  | 1,907  | 710                         |
| Percent.....              | 7.5       | 7.3     | 9.5    | 7.6                         |
| Total, 15 to 64 years...  | 154,565   | 32,087  | 17,838 | 8,710                       |
| With a limitation:        |           |         |        |                             |
| Number.....               | 21,839    | 17,951  | 3,340  | 1,407                       |
| Percent.....              | 14.1      | 13.6    | 18.7   | 16.2                        |
| With a severe limitation: |           |         |        |                             |
| Number.....               | 5,998     | 4,844   | 1,003  | 466                         |
| Percent.....              | 3.9       | 3.7     | 5.6    | 5.4                         |
| Total, 65 and over.....   | 26,422    | 23,921  | 2,181  | 684                         |
| With a limitation:        |           |         |        |                             |
| Number.....               | 15,465    | 13,617  | 1,635  | 401                         |
| Percent.....              | 58.5      | 56.9    | 75.0   | 58.6                        |
| With a severe limitation: |           |         |        |                             |
| Number.....               | 7,539     | 6,550   | 905    | 244                         |
| Percent.....              | 28.5      | 27.4    | 41.5   | 35.7                        |
| <b>MALE</b>               |           |         |        |                             |
| Total, 15 and over....    | 86,336    | 74,832  | 9,042  | 4,522                       |
| With a limitation:        |           |         |        |                             |
| Number.....               | 15,260    | 13,129  | 1,841  | 666                         |
| Percent.....              | 17.7      | 17.5    | 20.4   | 14.7                        |
| With a severe limitation: |           |         |        |                             |
| Number.....               | 4,662     | 3,988   | 608    | 240                         |
| Percent.....              | 5.4       | 5.3     | 6.7    | 5.3                         |
| Total, 15 to 64 years...  | 75,551    | 65,075  | 8,183  | 4,210                       |
| With a limitation:        |           |         |        |                             |
| Number.....               | 9,487     | 8,056   | 1,248  | 534                         |
| Percent.....              | 12.6      | 12.4    | 15.3   | 12.7                        |
| With a severe limitation: |           |         |        |                             |
| Number.....               | 2,315     | 1,923   | 351    | 177                         |
| Percent.....              | 3.1       | 3.0     | 4.3    | 4.2                         |
| Total, 65 and over.....   | 10,785    | 9,757   | 859    | 312                         |
| With a limitation:        |           |         |        |                             |
| Number.....               | 5,773     | 5,073   | 593    | 131                         |
| Percent.....              | 53.5      | 52.0    | 69.0   | 42.0                        |
| With a severe limitation: |           |         |        |                             |
| Number.....               | 2,347     | 2,066   | 258    | 63                          |
| Percent.....              | 21.8      | 21.2    | 30.0   | 20.2                        |
| <b>FEMALE</b>             |           |         |        |                             |
| Total, 15 and over....    | 94,651    | 81,176  | 10,976 | 4,872                       |
| With a limitation:        |           |         |        |                             |
| Number.....               | 22,044    | 18,439  | 3,134  | 1,143                       |
| Percent.....              | 23.3      | 22.7    | 28.6   | 23.5                        |
| With a severe limitation: |           |         |        |                             |
| Number.....               | 8,874     | 7,406   | 1,299  | 470                         |
| Percent.....              | 9.4       | 9.1     | 11.8   | 9.6                         |
| Total, 15 to 64 years...  | 79,014    | 67,012  | 9,655  | 4,500                       |
| With a limitation:        |           |         |        |                             |
| Number.....               | 12,352    | 9,895   | 2,092  | 873                         |
| Percent.....              | 15.6      | 14.8    | 21.7   | 19.4                        |
| With a severe limitation: |           |         |        |                             |
| Number.....               | 3,682     | 2,922   | 652    | 289                         |
| Percent.....              | 4.7       | 4.4     | 6.8    | 6.4                         |
| Total, 65 and over.....   | 15,637    | 14,165  | 1,321  | 372                         |
| With a limitation:        |           |         |        |                             |
| Number.....               | 9,692     | 8,544   | 1,042  | 270                         |
| Percent.....              | 62.0      | 60.3    | 78.9   | 72.6                        |
| With a severe limitation: |           |         |        |                             |
| Number.....               | 5,192     | 4,484   | 647    | 18.1                        |
| Percent.....              | 33.2      | 31.7    | 49.0   | 48.7                        |

<sup>1</sup>Persons of Spanish origin may be of any race.

34.2 percent for persons 55 to 64 years of age, 45.4 percent for those 65 to 69, 55.3 percent for those 70 to 74, and 72.5 percent for those 75 years of age and over. The rate of severe limitation also increased sharply with age, doubling between the 65-to-69 category and the category 75 years and over (from 18.8 percent to 41.2 percent). Persons 75 years of age and over made up 5.6 percent of the total population 15 years of age and older, 19.7 percent of those with a functional limitation, and 30.8 percent of those with a severe functional limitation.

Persons living alone were more likely than married persons to have a functional limitation. Among those living alone, 37.9 percent had a limitation and 16.7 percent had a severe limitation. The comparable rates for married persons were 20.0 percent and 6.4 percent. Of the 13.5 million persons with a severe functional limitation, 3.5 million, or 26 percent, lived alone.

Persons receiving program benefits were much more likely than the general population to have a functional limitation. Among those receiving Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC) or general assistance, about 46 percent had a functional limitation and 23 percent had a limitation that was severe. Approximately the same proportions were recorded for those covered by Medicaid. Supplemental Security Income (SSI) is the low income assistance program for the elderly and disabled, and 77 percent of the recipients had a functional limitation and 48 percent had a severe limitation. Persons receiving food stamps and those living in public or subsidized housing had similar levels of limitation: 37 percent had a functional limitation and 17 percent had a severe limitation.

There was an inverse relationship between the level of household income and functional limitation status. Among persons with monthly household incomes below \$600, 40 percent had a functional limitation and 18 percent had a severe limitation; the comparable figures for those in households with monthly incomes of \$3,000 and over were 11 percent and 3 percent, respectively. Among the general population 15 and over, 27 percent lived in households with incomes less than \$1,200 a month. Among those with a severe functional limitation, 55 percent lived in such households.

Approximately 10 percent of the labor force under age 65 had a functional limitation, but only 1.5 percent had a severe limitation. Among persons 15 to 64 years of age, 74 percent were in the labor force. The labor force participation rate was 53 percent among those with a functional limitation and 29 percent among those with a severe limitation.

Persons with a functional limitation were less likely than the general population to be covered by private health insurance. The general rate of private health insurance coverage for persons 15 to 64 years of age was approximately 79 percent; the coverage rate was 66 percent among those with a functional limitation and 57 percent among those with a severe limitation. Among the 7.5 million persons 65 years of age and over with a severe functional limitation, 4.6 million had private health insurance coverage and 2.9 million did not.

As was the case for income, there was an inverse relationship between years of schooling and functional limitation status. Among those persons under 65 years of age, the pro-

Table C. Functional Limitation Status, by Selected Characteristics

(Persons 15 years and over. Numbers in thousands)

| Characteristic                           | Total   | With a functional limitation |         |        |         |
|--|---------|------------------------------|---------|--------|---------|
|  |         | Total                        |         | Severe |         |
|  |         | Number                       | Percent | Number | Percent |
| Total.....                               | 180,987 | 37,304                       | 20.6    | 13,537 | 7.5     |
| <b>AGE</b>                               |         |                              |         |        |         |
| 15 to 24 years.....                      | 39,297  | 2,054                        | 5.2     | 346    | 0.9     |
| 25 to 34 years.....                      | 40,464  | 3,049                        | 7.5     | 596    | 1.5     |
| 35 to 44 years.....                      | 30,480  | 4,074                        | 13.4    | 890    | 2.9     |
| 45 to 54 years.....                      | 22,264  | 5,110                        | 23.0    | 1,431  | 6.4     |
| 55 to 64 years.....                      | 22,060  | 7,552                        | 34.2    | 2,734  | 12.4    |
| 65 years and over.....                   | 26,422  | 15,465                       | 58.5    | 7,539  | 28.5    |
| 65 to 69 years.....                      | 8,928   | 4,052                        | 45.4    | 1,682  | 18.8    |
| 70 to 74 years.....                      | 7,378   | 4,078                        | 55.3    | 1,691  | 22.9    |
| 75 years and over.....                   | 10,116  | 7,335                        | 72.5    | 4,166  | 41.2    |
| <b>FAMILY RELATIONSHIP</b>               |         |                              |         |        |         |
| Married, spouse present.....             | 102,836 | 20,614                       | 20.0    | 6,612  | 6.4     |
| Other family member.....                 | 49,403  | 7,545                        | 15.3    | 2,988  | 6.0     |
| Not a family member.....                 | 28,749  | 9,145                        | 31.8    | 3,937  | 13.7    |
| Lives alone.....                         | 21,113  | 8,000                        | 37.9    | 3,520  | 16.7    |
| <b>PROGRAM PARTICIPATION</b>             |         |                              |         |        |         |
| Received -                               |         |                              |         |        |         |
| Cash assistance                          |         |                              |         |        |         |
| other than SSI.....                      | 10,037  | 4,594                        | 45.8    | 2,342  | 23.3    |
| SSI.....                                 | 3,473   | 2,683                        | 77.3    | 1,674  | 48.2    |
| Food stamps.....                         | 10,867  | 3,994                        | 36.8    | 1,776  | 16.3    |
| Medicaid coverage.....                   | 10,610  | 4,788                        | 45.1    | 2,527  | 23.8    |
| Public or subsidized housing.....        | 5,932   | 2,243                        | 37.8    | 1,019  | 17.2    |
| VA payments.....                         | 3,460   | 1,979                        | 57.2    | 974    | 28.2    |
| Social Security.....                     | 32,832  | 18,543                       | 56.5    | 9,051  | 27.6    |
| Medicare coverage.....                   | 27,948  | 16,932                       | 60.6    | 8,549  | 30.6    |
| <b>MONTHLY HOUSEHOLD INCOME</b>          |         |                              |         |        |         |
| Under \$600.....                         | 20,690  | 8,262                        | 39.9    | 3,746  | 18.1    |
| \$600 to \$1,199.....                    | 27,866  | 8,944                        | 32.1    | 3,731  | 13.4    |
| \$1,200 to \$1,999.....                  | 38,648  | 8,211                        | 21.2    | 2,826  | 7.3     |
| \$2,000 to \$2,999.....                  | 40,999  | 6,249                        | 15.2    | 1,804  | 4.4     |
| \$3,000 and over.....                    | 52,784  | 5,639                        | 10.7    | 1,430  | 2.7     |
| <b>LABOR FORCE STATUS</b>                |         |                              |         |        |         |
| Persons 15 to 64 years.....              |         |                              |         |        |         |
| In the labor force.....                  | 114,745 | 11,624                       | 10.1    | 1,750  | 1.5     |
| Not in the labor force.....              | 39,820  | 10,215                       | 25.7    | 4,247  | 10.7    |
| <b>PRIVATE HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE</b> |         |                              |         |        |         |
| Persons 15 to 64 years.....              |         |                              |         |        |         |
| Covered.....                             | 121,337 | 14,430                       | 11.9    | 3,435  | 2.8     |
| Not covered.....                         | 33,228  | 7,409                        | 22.3    | 2,563  | 7.7     |
| Persons 65 years and over.....           |         |                              |         |        |         |
| Covered.....                             | 19,221  | 10,401                       | 54.1    | 4,607  | 24.0    |
| Not covered.....                         | 7,202   | 5,064                        | 70.3    | 2,932  | 40.7    |
| <b>EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT</b>            |         |                              |         |        |         |
| Persons 15 to 64 years.....              |         |                              |         |        |         |
| Not a high school graduate.....          | 41,614  | 9,764                        | 23.5    | 3,332  | 8.0     |
| High school graduate.....                | 112,951 | 12,075                       | 10.7    | 2,666  | 2.4     |
| Persons 65 years and over.....           |         |                              |         |        |         |
| Not a high school graduate.....          | 14,389  | 9,871                        | 68.6    | 5,271  | 36.6    |
| High school graduate.....                | 12,034  | 5,594                        | 46.5    | 2,268  | 18.8    |

**Table D. Work Disability Status, by Age, Sex, Race, and Spanish Origin**

(Persons 16 to 72 years. Numbers in thousands)

| Age, sex, race and Spanish origin    | Total   | With a work disability |         |                        |         |
|--------------------------------------|---------|------------------------|---------|------------------------|---------|
|                                      |         | Total                  |         | Prevented from working |         |
|                                      |         | Number                 | Percent | Number                 | Percent |
| <b>PERSONS 16 TO 64 YEARS OF AGE</b> |         |                        |         |                        |         |
| Both sexes.....                      | 150,968 | 18,248                 | 12.1    | 8,006                  | 5.3     |
| White.....                           | 129,085 | 15,106                 | 11.7    | 6,240                  | 4.8     |
| Black.....                           | 17,373  | 2,746                  | 15.8    | 1,596                  | 9.2     |
| Spanish origin <sup>1</sup> .....    | 8,419   | 908                    | 10.8    | 578                    | 6.9     |
| Males.....                           | 73,686  | 8,631                  | 11.7    | 3,269                  | 4.4     |
| White.....                           | 63,522  | 7,291                  | 11.5    | 2,567                  | 4.0     |
| Black.....                           | 7,941   | 1,195                  | 15.0    | 655                    | 8.2     |
| Spanish origin <sup>1</sup> .....    | 4,020   | 397                    | 9.9     | 213                    | 5.3     |
| Females.....                         | 77,282  | 9,616                  | 12.4    | 4,738                  | 6.1     |
| White.....                           | 65,563  | 7,815                  | 11.9    | 3,673                  | 5.6     |
| Black.....                           | 9,432   | 1,551                  | 16.4    | 941                    | 10.0    |
| Spanish origin <sup>1</sup> .....    | 4,399   | 511                    | 11.6    | 365                    | 8.3     |
| <b>PERSONS 65 TO 72 YEARS OF AGE</b> |         |                        |         |                        |         |
| Both sexes.....                      | 13,421  | 5,266                  | 37.8    | 3,954                  | 28.4    |
| White.....                           | 12,122  | 4,546                  | 37.5    | 3,350                  | 27.6    |
| Black.....                           | 1,102   | 638                    | 57.9    | 540                    | 49.0    |
| Spanish origin <sup>1</sup> .....    | 348     | 148                    | 42.5    | 127                    | 36.5    |
| Males.....                           | 5,962   | 2,431                  | 40.8    | 1,708                  | 28.6    |
| White.....                           | 5,415   | 2,146                  | 39.6    | 1,486                  | 27.4    |
| Black.....                           | 448     | 259                    | 57.8    | 201                    | 44.9    |
| Spanish origin <sup>1</sup> .....    | 201     | 92                     | 45.8    | 72                     | 35.8    |
| Females.....                         | 7,459   | 2,836                  | 38.0    | 2,246                  | 30.1    |
| White.....                           | 6,707   | 2,399                  | 35.8    | 1,864                  | 27.8    |
| Black.....                           | 653     | 379                    | 58.0    | 340                    | 52.1    |
| Spanish origin <sup>1</sup> .....    | 147     | 55                     | (B)     | 55                     | (B)     |

<sup>1</sup>Persons of Spanish origin may be of any race.

B Base less than 200,000.

portion with a severe functional limitation was 8 percent for those who were not high school graduates and 2 percent for those who were graduates. Among those 65 and over, 37 percent of nongraduates and 19 percent of graduates had a severe limitation.

## WORK DISABILITY STATUS

Among the 151 million persons 16 to 64 years of age, 18.2 million, or 12.1 percent had a work disability (a condition that limited the kind or amount of work they could do). Approximately 8 million (5.3 percent) were prevented from working by their disability. Blacks had higher work disability rates than Whites or Hispanics. The work disability rate was 15.8 percent among Blacks and 9.2 percent were prevented from working; for Whites, the comparable rates were 11.7 percent and 4.8 percent, respectively. Among Hispanics, 10.8 percent had a work disability (a proportion not statistically different than the figure for Whites), and 6.9 percent were prevented

from working. Females were more likely to be prevented from working than males. Of the 8 million persons under 65 years who were prevented from working, 3.3 million were males and 4.7 million were females.

The relevance of a work disability concept decreases for persons in age groups that have low labor force participation rates, but there is general interest in the labor force characteristics of older persons. Among the 13.4 million persons 65 to 72 years of age, 5.3 million had a work disability and 4.0 million were prevented from working.

Table E shows a cross-classification of work disability status by functional limitation status. Persons may have a condition that limits the kind or amount of work they can do but the condition may not cause a limitation in the specific functional activities that were asked about in the third wave supplement. Likewise, persons with a functional limitation may or may not consider themselves to have a work disability depending upon such factors as training and education, work history, job requirements, and employer accommodations. The relationship

**Table E. Work Disability Status, by Functional Limitation Status**

(Persons 16 to 64 years. Numbers in thousands)

| Characteristic                  | Total   | With a work disability |         |                        |         |
|---------------------------------|---------|------------------------|---------|------------------------|---------|
|                                 |         | Total                  |         | Prevented from working |         |
|                                 |         | Number                 | Percent | Number                 | Percent |
| <b>ALL LABOR FORCE STATUSES</b> |         |                        |         |                        |         |
| Both sexes, 16 to 64 years..... | 150,970 | 18,247                 | 12.1    | 8,006                  | 5.3     |
| With a functional limitation:   |         |                        |         |                        |         |
| Severe.....                     | 5,987   | 5,022                  | 83.9    | 3,626                  | 60.6    |
| Not severe.....                 | 15,668  | 6,818                  | 43.5    | 2,875                  | 18.3    |
| No functional limitation.....   | 129,313 | 6,405                  | 5.0     | 1,506                  | 1.2     |
| Males, 16 to 64 years.....      | 73,687  | 8,631                  | 11.7    | 3,268                  | 4.4     |
| With a functional limitation:   |         |                        |         |                        |         |
| Severe.....                     | 2,316   | 2,041                  | 88.1    | 1,478                  | 63.8    |
| Not severe.....                 | 7,082   | 3,089                  | 43.6    | 1,137                  | 16.1    |
| No functional limitation.....   | 64,288  | 3,501                  | 5.4     | 654                    | 1.0     |
| Females, 16 to 64 years.....    | 77,283  | 9,616                  | 12.4    | 4,738                  | 6.1     |
| With a functional limitation:   |         |                        |         |                        |         |
| Severe.....                     | 3,671   | 2,981                  | 81.2    | 2,148                  | 58.5    |
| Not severe.....                 | 8,586   | 3,729                  | 43.4    | 1,738                  | 20.2    |
| No functional limitation.....   | 65,025  | 2,904                  | 4.5     | 852                    | 1.3     |
| <b>WITH A JOB OR BUSINESS</b>   |         |                        |         |                        |         |
| Both sexes, 16 to 64 years..... | 105,612 | 7,161                  | 6.8     | (X)                    | (X)     |
| With a functional limitation:   |         |                        |         |                        |         |
| Severe.....                     | 1,533   | 971                    | 63.3    | (X)                    | (X)     |
| Not severe.....                 | 8,858   | 2,676                  | 30.2    | (X)                    | (X)     |
| No functional limitation.....   | 95,221  | 3,511                  | 3.7     | (X)                    | (X)     |
| Males, 16 to 64 years.....      | 59,660  | 4,233                  | 7.1     | (X)                    | (X)     |
| With a functional limitation:   |         |                        |         |                        |         |
| Severe.....                     | 666     | 446                    | 67.0    | (X)                    | (X)     |
| Not severe.....                 | 4,970   | 1,555                  | 31.3    | (X)                    | (X)     |
| No functional limitation.....   | 54,025  | 2,231                  | 4.1     | (X)                    | (X)     |
| Females, 16 to 64 years.....    | 45,952  | 2,928                  | 6.4     | (X)                    | (X)     |
| With a functional limitation:   |         |                        |         |                        |         |
| Severe.....                     | 867     | 525                    | 60.6    | (X)                    | (X)     |
| Not severe.....                 | 3,888   | 1,121                  | 28.8    | (X)                    | (X)     |
| No functional limitation.....   | 41,196  | 1,280                  | 3.1     | (X)                    | (X)     |

X Not applicable.

between work disability status and functional limitation status for the 151 million persons 16 to 64 years of age is summarized below:

With a severe functional limitation:

  With a work disability . . . . . 5.0 million  
  No work disability . . . . . 1.0 million

With a nonsevere functional limitation:

  With a work disability . . . . . 6.8 million  
  No work disability . . . . . 8.9 million

No functional limitation:

  With a work disability . . . . . 6.4 million  
  No work disability . . . . . 122.9 million

Of the 105.6 million persons 16 to 64 years of age with a job or business, about 7 million had a work disability. Approximately the same number had no work disability but did have a functional limitation.

## NEED FOR PERSONAL ASSISTANCE

Approximately 7.7 million persons needed the assistance of another person for activities such as getting around inside or outside the home, doing housework or preparing meals, and taking care of personal needs. Of those persons who needed help, 21 percent were 65 to 74 years of age, and 37 percent were 75 and over. There were 4.8 million females and 2.9 million males who required help. The number of persons needing personal assistance to get around inside or outside the home was 3.7 million; in addition, 6.0 million persons needed help with housework, 4.3 million needed help with meal preparation, and 2.5 million needed help with personal care activities.

Of the 7.7 million persons who needed personal assistance, 3.5 million lived with a spouse, 1.7 million lived alone, and 2.5 million had other living arrangements. Persons needing help tended to have lower household incomes than the general

**Table F. Number of Persons Needing Personal Assistance With Selected Activities**

(Persons 15 years and over. Numbers in thousands)

| Characteristic                        | Total   | Needs personal assistance with— |                |           |                  |               |
|---------------------------------------|---------|---------------------------------|----------------|-----------|------------------|---------------|
|                                       |         | One or more activities          | Getting around | Housework | Meal preparation | Personal care |
| Total.....                            | 180,987 | 7,706                           | 3,743          | 5,965     | 4,302            | 2,509         |
| <b>AGE</b>                            |         |                                 |                |           |                  |               |
| Under 65 years.....                   | 154,565 | 3,256                           | 1,174          | 2,392     | 1,644            | 1,050         |
| 65 to 74 years.....                   | 16,306  | 1,611                           | 811            | 1,299     | 861              | 432           |
| 75 years and over.....                | 10,116  | 2,839                           | 1,758          | 2,273     | 1,796            | 1,027         |
| <b>SEX BY AGE</b>                     |         |                                 |                |           |                  |               |
| Males.....                            | 86,336  | 2,872                           | 1,182          | 2,187     | 1,848            | 1,036         |
| Under 65 years.....                   | 75,551  | 1,435                           | 508            | 985       | 798              | 547           |
| 65 to 74 years.....                   | 7,073   | 567                             | 247            | 473       | 409              | 194           |
| 75 years and over.....                | 3,712   | 870                             | 427            | 729       | 640              | 295           |
| Females.....                          | 94,651  | 4,834                           | 2,560          | 3,778     | 2,454            | 1,473         |
| Under 65 years.....                   | 79,014  | 1,820                           | 666            | 1,407     | 846              | 503           |
| 65 to 74 years.....                   | 9,233   | 1,045                           | 563            | 827       | 452              | 238           |
| 75 years and over.....                | 6,404   | 1,969                           | 1,331          | 1,544     | 1,156            | 733           |
| <b>RACE AND SPANISH ORIGIN BY AGE</b> |         |                                 |                |           |                  |               |
| White.....                            | 156,009 | 6,427                           | 3,097          | 4,913     | 3,503            | 2,062         |
| Under 65 years.....                   | 132,087 | 2,595                           | 873            | 1,850     | 1,230            | 812           |
| 65 to 74 years.....                   | 14,698  | 1,325                           | 652            | 1,057     | 701              | 360           |
| 75 years and over.....                | 9,223   | 2,507                           | 1,571          | 2,006     | 1,572            | 890           |
| Black.....                            | 20,018  | 1,138                           | 576            | 927       | 709              | 398           |
| Under 65 years.....                   | 17,838  | 583                             | 268            | 478       | 366              | 212           |
| 65 to 74 years.....                   | 1,382   | 258                             | 142            | 218       | 143              | 64            |
| 75 years and over.....                | 799     | 296                             | 167            | 231       | 200              | 122           |
| Spanish origin <sup>1</sup> .....     | 9,394   | 395                             | 191            | 265       | 215              | 134           |
| Under 65 years.....                   | 8,710   | 252                             | 98             | 169       | 129              | 98            |
| 65 to 74 years.....                   | 430     | 58                              | 33             | 43        | 30               | 9             |
| 75 years and over.....                | 255     | 85                              | 60             | 52        | 56               | 26            |
| <b>LIVING ARRANGEMENT</b>             |         |                                 |                |           |                  |               |
| Lives alone.....                      | 21,113  | 1,702                           | 901            | 1,319     | 664              | 382           |
| Lives with spouse.....                | 102,836 | 3,497                           | 1,580          | 2,786     | 1,947            | 1,162         |
| Spouse only.....                      | 37,642  | 2,165                           | 1,009          | 1,784     | 1,244            | 705           |
| Spouse and others.....                | 65,194  | 1,332                           | 572            | 1,002     | 703              | 457           |
| Other arrangements.....               | 57,039  | 2,507                           | 1,261          | 1,860     | 1,691            | 966           |
| Related to householder.....           | 49,403  | 2,180                           | 1,072          | 1,613     | 1,468            | 847           |
| Not related.....                      | 7,636   | 327                             | 190            | 248       | 222              | 119           |
| <b>MONTHLY HOUSEHOLD INCOME</b>       |         |                                 |                |           |                  |               |
| Under \$600.....                      | 20,690  | 1,884                           | 976            | 1,426     | 881              | 516           |
| \$600 to \$1,199.....                 | 27,866  | 2,135                           | 1,128          | 1,771     | 1,286            | 687           |
| \$1,200 to \$1,999.....               | 38,648  | 1,677                           | 742            | 1,342     | 944              | 530           |
| \$2,000 to \$2,999.....               | 40,999  | 1,036                           | 410            | 722       | 622              | 380           |
| \$3,000 and over.....                 | 52,784  | 974                             | 487            | 705       | 570              | 396           |
| <b>FUNCTIONAL LIMITATION STATUS</b>   |         |                                 |                |           |                  |               |
| With a limitation.....                | 37,304  | 7,227                           | 3,743          | 5,769     | 4,088            | 2,331         |
| Severe.....                           | 13,537  | 6,055                           | 3,743          | 4,844     | 3,490            | 2,113         |
| Not severe.....                       | 23,767  | 1,172                           | (X)            | 925       | 598              | 218           |
| No limitation.....                    | 143,683 | 479                             | (X)            | 196       | 214              | 178           |

<sup>1</sup> Persons of Spanish origin may be of any race.

X Not applicable.

population 15 years of age and over. Among the general population, 27 percent lived in households with a monthly income below \$1,200. Among those needing assistance, 52 percent lived in such households.

Most persons needing assistance also had a severe functional limitation. Of those needing assistance, 6.1 million had a severe limitation, 1.2 million had a limitation that was not

severe, and 0.5 million had no functional limitation. The last figure may reflect the fact that the functional assessment section did not ask about activities directly related to mental or emotional disabilities.

Table G shows the percentage of persons in various population subgroups that needed the help of another person. Among all persons 15 and over, 4.3 percent needed help with

**Table G. Percentage of Persons Needing Personal Assistance With Selected Activities**

(Persons 15 years and over)

| Characteristics                   | One or more activities | Getting around | Housework | Meal preparation | Personal care |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------|----------------|-----------|------------------|---------------|
| Total.....                        | 4.3                    | 2.1            | 3.3       | 2.4              | 1.4           |
| AGE                               |                        |                |           |                  |               |
| Under 65 years.....               | 2.1                    | 0.8            | 1.5       | 1.1              | 0.7           |
| 65 to 74 years.....               | 9.9                    | 5.0            | 8.0       | 5.3              | 2.6           |
| 75 years and over.....            | 28.1                   | 17.4           | 22.5      | 17.8             | 10.2          |
| SEX BY AGE                        |                        |                |           |                  |               |
| Males.....                        | 3.3                    | 1.4            | 2.5       | 2.1              | 1.2           |
| Under 65 years.....               | 1.9                    | 0.7            | 1.3       | 1.1              | 0.7           |
| 65 to 74 years.....               | 8.0                    | 3.5            | 6.7       | 5.8              | 2.7           |
| 75 years and over.....            | 23.4                   | 11.5           | 19.6      | 17.2             | 7.9           |
| Females.....                      | 5.1                    | 2.7            | 4.0       | 2.6              | 1.6           |
| Under 65 years.....               | 2.3                    | 0.8            | 1.8       | 1.1              | 0.6           |
| 65 to 74 years.....               | 11.3                   | 6.1            | 9.0       | 4.9              | 2.6           |
| 75 years and over.....            | 30.7                   | 20.8           | 24.1      | 18.1             | 11.4          |
| RACE AND SPANISH ORIGIN BY AGE    |                        |                |           |                  |               |
| White.....                        | 4.1                    | 2.0            | 3.1       | 2.2              | 1.3           |
| Under 65 years.....               | 2.0                    | 0.7            | 1.4       | 0.9              | 0.6           |
| 65 to 74 years.....               | 9.0                    | 4.4            | 7.2       | 4.8              | 2.4           |
| 75 years and over.....            | 27.2                   | 17.0           | 21.7      | 17.0             | 9.6           |
| Black.....                        | 5.7                    | 2.9            | 4.6       | 3.5              | 2.0           |
| Under 65 years.....               | 3.3                    | 1.5            | 2.7       | 2.1              | 1.2           |
| 65 to 74 years.....               | 18.7                   | 10.3           | 15.8      | 10.3             | 4.6           |
| 75 years and over.....            | 37.0                   | 20.9           | 28.9      | 25.0             | 15.3          |
| Spanish origin <sup>1</sup> ..... | 4.2                    | 2.0            | 2.8       | 2.3              | 1.4           |
| Under 65 years.....               | 2.9                    | 1.1            | 1.9       | 1.5              | 1.1           |
| 65 to 74 years.....               | 13.5                   | 7.7            | 10.0      | 7.0              | 2.1           |
| 75 years and over.....            | 33.3                   | 23.5           | 20.4      | 22.0             | 10.2          |
| LIVING ARRANGEMENT                |                        |                |           |                  |               |
| Lives alone.....                  | 8.1                    | 4.3            | 6.2       | 3.1              | 1.8           |
| Lives with spouse.....            | 3.4                    | 1.5            | 2.7       | 1.9              | 1.1           |
| Spouse only.....                  | 5.8                    | 2.7            | 4.7       | 3.3              | 1.9           |
| Spouse and others.....            | 2.0                    | 0.9            | 1.5       | 1.1              | 0.7           |
| Other arrangements.....           | 4.4                    | 2.2            | 3.3       | 3.0              | 1.7           |
| Related to householder.....       | 4.4                    | 2.2            | 3.3       | 3.0              | 1.7           |
| Not related.....                  | 4.3                    | 2.5            | 3.2       | 2.9              | 1.6           |
| MONTHLY HOUSEHOLD INCOME          |                        |                |           |                  |               |
| Under \$600.....                  | 9.1                    | 4.7            | 6.9       | 4.3              | 2.5           |
| \$600 to \$1,199.....             | 7.7                    | 4.0            | 6.4       | 4.6              | 2.5           |
| \$1,200 to \$1,999.....           | 4.3                    | 1.9            | 3.5       | 2.4              | 1.4           |
| \$2,000 to \$2,999.....           | 2.5                    | 1.0            | 1.8       | 1.5              | 0.9           |
| \$3,000 and over.....             | 1.8                    | 0.9            | 1.3       | 1.1              | 0.8           |
| FUNCTIONAL LIMITATION STATUS      |                        |                |           |                  |               |
| With a limitation.....            | 19.4                   | 10.0           | 15.5      | 11.0             | 6.2           |
| Severe.....                       | 44.7                   | 27.7           | 35.8      | 25.8             | 15.6          |
| Not severe.....                   | 4.9                    | (X)            | 3.9       | 2.5              | 0.9           |
| No limitation.....                | 0.3                    | (X)            | 0.1       | 0.1              | 0.1           |

<sup>1</sup>Persons of Spanish origin may be of any race.

X Not applicable.

one or more activities, 2.1 percent needed help with getting around inside or outside the home, 3.3 percent needed help with housework, 2.4 percent needed help with meal preparation, and 1.4 percent needed help with personal care activities.

Among those under 65 years of age, the proportion needing assistance was 2.1 percent. The proportion was 9.9 percent

for persons 65 to 74 and 28.1 percent for persons 75 and over. Females were more likely than males to require help; 5.1 percent versus 3.3 percent. Black persons were more likely to require help than White or Hispanic persons. The proportions needing assistance with one or more activities were 5.7 percent for Blacks, 4.1 percent for Whites, and 4.2 percent

for Hispanics (the latter two figures were not statistically different).

Persons who lived alone were more likely to need help (8.1 percent) than those who lived with a spouse (3.4 percent) or had other arrangements (4.4 percent). Among those persons in households with monthly incomes below \$600, 9.1 percent needed assistance; the figure was 1.8 percent for persons in households with incomes of \$3,000 or more.

Approximately 45 percent of all persons with a severe functional limitation needed the help of another person; 36 percent needed help with housework, 28 percent needed help with getting around, about the same proportion needed help with meal preparation, and 16 percent needed help with personal care activities.

## DISABILITY STATUS OF CHILDREN

Children (persons under 18 years) were identified as disabled if they had either (a) a long-lasting condition that limited their ability to walk, run, or play, or, (b) a long-lasting mental or emotional problem that limited their ability to learn or to do regular school work. Table H shows that of 62.4 million children, 1.9 million (3.1 percent) had a physical, mental, or emotional disability. Of all disabled children, 1.6 million were White, 0.3 million were Black, and 0.1 million were Hispanic.

Disabled children were more likely to live in households with very low incomes (less than \$600 a month) than nondisabled children. About 19 percent of disabled children and 13 percent of nondisabled children lived in such households. Disabled children were also more likely than nondisabled children to live in a family with a female householder, no spouse present (32 versus 22 percent) and to be covered by Medicaid (22 percent versus 13 percent).

## HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE STATUS

As of the fourth quarter of 1985, 204.2 million persons, or 87 percent of the population, were covered by private or government health insurance; 31.3 million were not covered. (See table I.) Whites were more likely to be covered than Blacks, and Blacks were more likely to be covered than persons of Spanish origin. The rates of coverage among the three groups were 88 percent, 81 percent, and 73 percent, respectively.

The proportion of persons covered by private health insurance was 77 percent. Young people, Blacks, and Hispanics were less likely than the general population to be covered by private health insurance. The rate of private coverage was 71 percent for persons under 25 years of age and only about 55 percent for Blacks or Hispanics.

**Table H. Disability Status of Children**

(Children under 18 years. Numbers in thousands)

| Characteristic   | Total  | With a physical, mental or emotional disability |         | Percent distribution |                    |
|--|--------|---|---------|----------------------|--------------------|
|  |        | Number  | Percent | With a limitation    | With no limitation |
| Total.....   | 62,445 | 1,916   | 3.1     | 100.0                | 100.0              |
| SEX  |        |   |         |                      |                    |
| Male.....  | 31,898 | 1,075   | 3.4     | 56.1                 | 50.9               |
| Female.....  | 30,547 | 842   | 2.8     | 43.9                 | 49.1               |
| RACE AND SPANISH ORIGIN                                    |        |   |         |                      |                    |
| White.....   | 50,765 | 1,560   | 3.1     | 81.4                 | 81.3               |
| Black.....   | 9,496  | 319   | 3.4     | 16.6                 | 15.2               |
| Spanish origin <sup>1</sup> .....                          | 4,943  | 101   | 2.0     | 5.3                  | 8.0                |
| MONTHLY HOUSEHOLD INCOME                                   |        |   |         |                      |                    |
| Under \$600.....   | 8,069  | 366   | 4.5     | 19.1                 | 12.7               |
| \$600 to \$1,199.....                                      | 9,177  | 336   | 3.7     | 17.5                 | 14.6               |
| \$1,200 to \$1,999.....                                    | 13,628 | 329   | 2.4     | 17.2                 | 22.0               |
| \$2,000 to \$2,999.....                                    | 15,035 | 460   | 3.1     | 24.0                 | 24.1               |
| \$3,000 and over.....                                      | 16,537 | 426   | 2.6     | 22.2                 | 26.6               |
| LIVING ARRANGEMENT   |        |   |         |                      |                    |
| In married-couple family.....                              | 47,225 | 1,237   | 2.6     | 64.6                 | 76.0               |
| In family with female householder, no husband present..... | 13,755 | 618   | 4.5     | 32.3                 | 21.7               |
| HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE                                  |        |   |         |                      |                    |
| Covered by private health insurance.....                   | 44,110 | 1,277   | 2.9     | 66.6                 | 70.8               |
| Covered by Medicaid.....                                   | 8,004  | 426   | 5.3     | 22.2                 | 12.5               |

<sup>1</sup> Persons of Spanish origin may be of any race.

About 63 percent of the population was covered by employment-related health insurance (insurance obtained by the person or a relative through a current or past employer). The coverage rate for this type of insurance was relatively low for persons 16 to 24 (55 percent) and for persons 65 and over

(32 percent). The proportion of persons covered by employment-related health insurance was 65 percent among Whites, 46 percent among Blacks, and 49 percent among Hispanics.

**Table I. Health Insurance Coverage Status: Fourth Quarter 1985**

| Characteristic                    | Total<br>(thous.) | Percent covered by<br>health insurance |         |  | Not covered by<br>health insurance |         |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------|--|---------|--|------------------------------------|---------|
|                                   |                   | Total                                  | Private | Related<br>to<br>employment <sup>2</sup> | Number<br>(thous.)                 | Percent |
| Total.....                        | 235,520           | 86.7                                   | 76.5    | 62.5                                     | 31,285                             | 13.3    |
| <b>AGE</b>                        |                   |  |         |  |                                    |         |
| Less than 16 years.....           | 55,612            | 84.5                                   | 70.8    | 62.2                                     | 8,616                              | 15.5    |
| 16 to 24 years.....               | 34,596            | 78.6                                   | 70.7    | 55.0                                     | 7,389                              | 21.4    |
| 25 to 34 years.....               | 41,363            | 83.6                                   | 77.5    | 70.5                                     | 6,786                              | 16.4    |
| 35 to 44 years.....               | 32,133            | 89.1                                   | 83.4    | 76.0                                     | 3,514                              | 10.9    |
| 45 to 54 years.....               | 22,459            | 89.9                                   | 84.2    | 73.8                                     | 2,273                              | 10.1    |
| 55 to 64 years.....               | 22,135            | 88.5                                   | 81.3    | 66.1                                     | 2,553                              | 11.5    |
| 65 years and over.....            | 27,222            | 99.4                                   | 75.3    | 31.9                                     | 154                                | 0.6     |
| <b>RACE AND SPANISH ORIGIN</b>    |                   |  |         |  |                                    |         |
| White.....                        | 200,083           | 87.6                                   | 79.6    | 64.9                                     | 24,840                             | 12.4    |
| Black.....                        | 28,496            | 80.7                                   | 55.7    | 46.2                                     | 5,501                              | 19.3    |
| Spanish origin <sup>1</sup> ..... | 14,175            | 73.0                                   | 55.2    | 49.3                                     | 3,822                              | 27.0    |

<sup>1</sup>Persons of Spanish origin may be of any race.

<sup>2</sup>Current or past employment of self or relative.