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A profile of contingent workers

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Contingent workers were more likely to be female, black, young, enrolled in school, and employed in services and construction industries than were noncontingent workers; more than 10 percent were teachers. This article profiles contingent workers using data collected through a special supplement to the February 1995 Current Population Survey (CPS). This supplement provides the first comprehensive measurement of contingent workers using carefully constructed definitions.

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