

[Related BLS programs](#) | [Related articles](#)

ABSTRACT

[October 1996, Vol. 118, No. 10](#)

Workers in alternative employment arrangements

Sharon R. Cohany

Economist, Office of Employment and Unemployment Statistics, Bureau of Labor Statistics

Workers in four selected alternative employment arrangements—independent contractors, temporary help agency workers, contract company workers, and on-call workers—differ from traditional employees, as well as from one another. This article discusses the survey findings on four groups of workers considered to be in "alternative" arrangements: independent contractors, temporary help agency workers, employees of contract companies, and on-call workers.

▶ [Read excerpt](#) ▶ [Download full text in PDF](#) (118K)

Related BLS programs

[Labor Force Statistics from the Current Population Survey](#)

Related *Monthly Labor Review* articles

[Flexible labor: restructuring the American work force.](#) August 1997.

[A profile of contingent workers.](#) October 1996.

[Contingent and alternative work arrangements, defined.](#) October 1996.

[Earnings and benefits of contingent and noncontingent workers.](#) October 1996.

[Earnings and benefits of workers in alternative work arrangements.](#) October 1996.

[Entry into and consequences of nonstandard work arrangements.](#) October 1996.

[Into contingent and alternative employment: by choice?](#) October 1996.

Within *Monthly Labor Review Online*:

[Welcome](#) | [Current Issue](#) | [Index](#) | [Subscribe](#) | [Archives](#)

Exit *Monthly Labor Review Online*:

[BLS Home](#) | [Publications & Research Papers](#)