(16 /154)*100 =10.4%

1M
Discouraged workers start looking for work

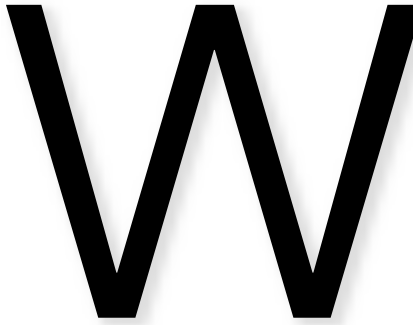
Employed
138M

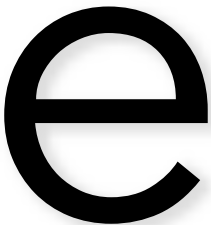
New Labor Force = 138 + 16 = 154

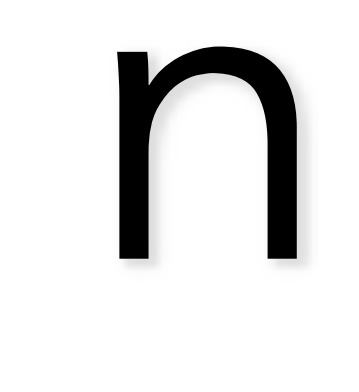
Unemployed
16M

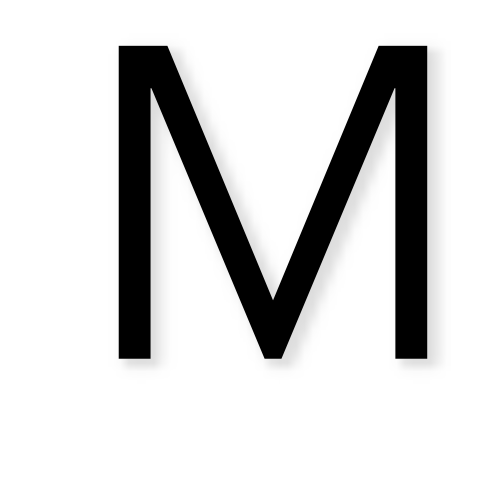
Unemployed
15M

1M Discouraged workers are now counted as Unemployed





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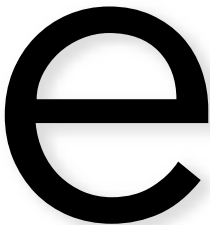

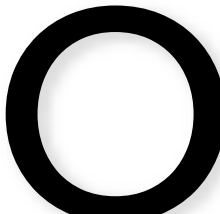

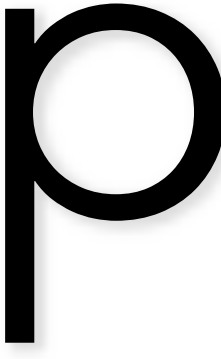

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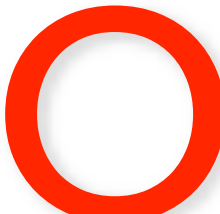

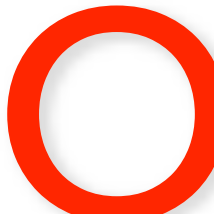

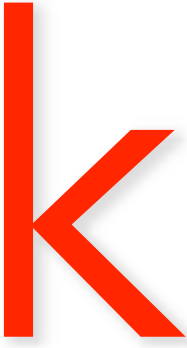

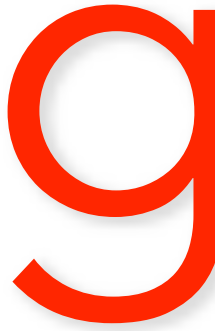

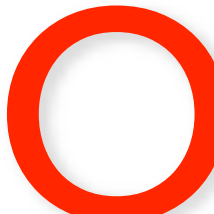

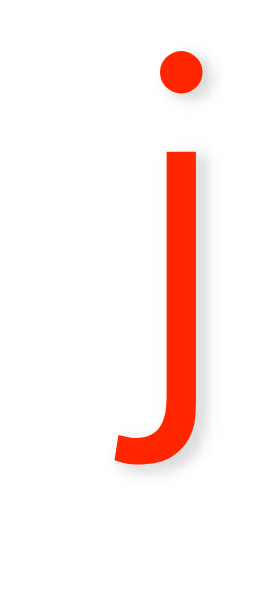

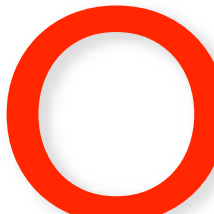

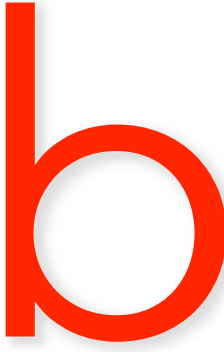

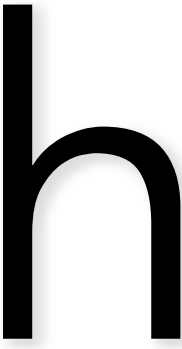

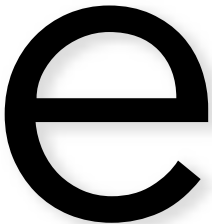

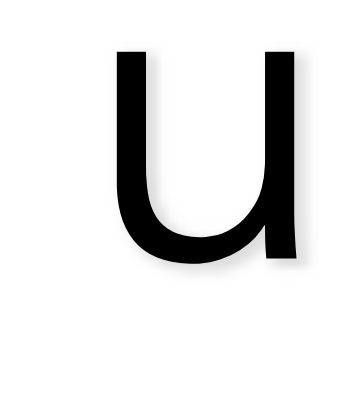

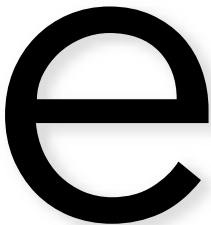

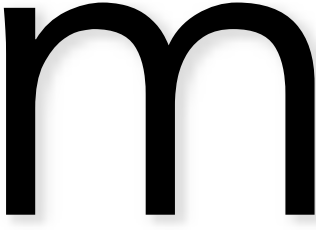

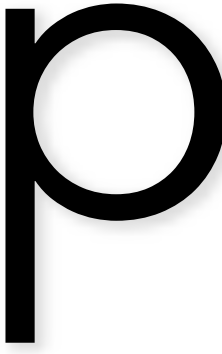

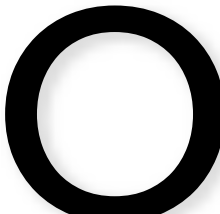

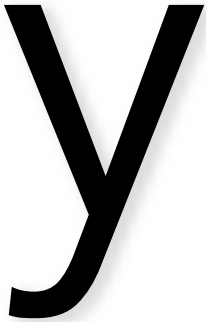

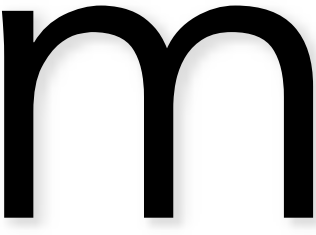

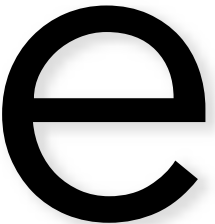

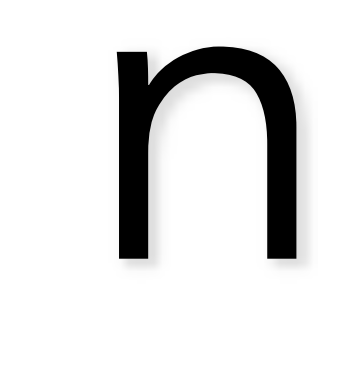

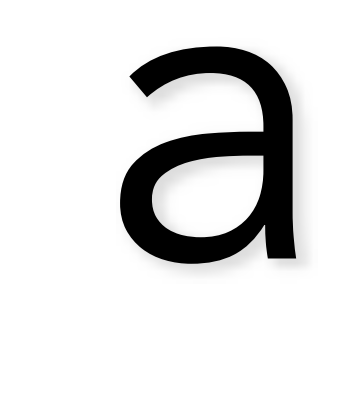
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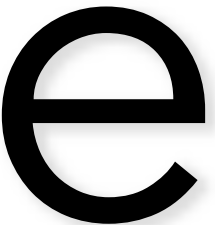
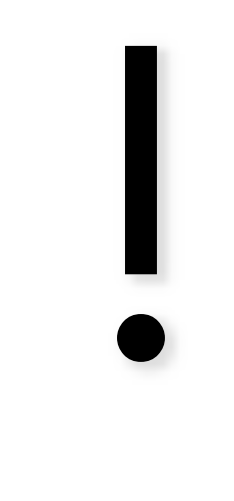




New $U_r \equiv$

Labor Force = 138 + 15 = 153

$$U_r =$$

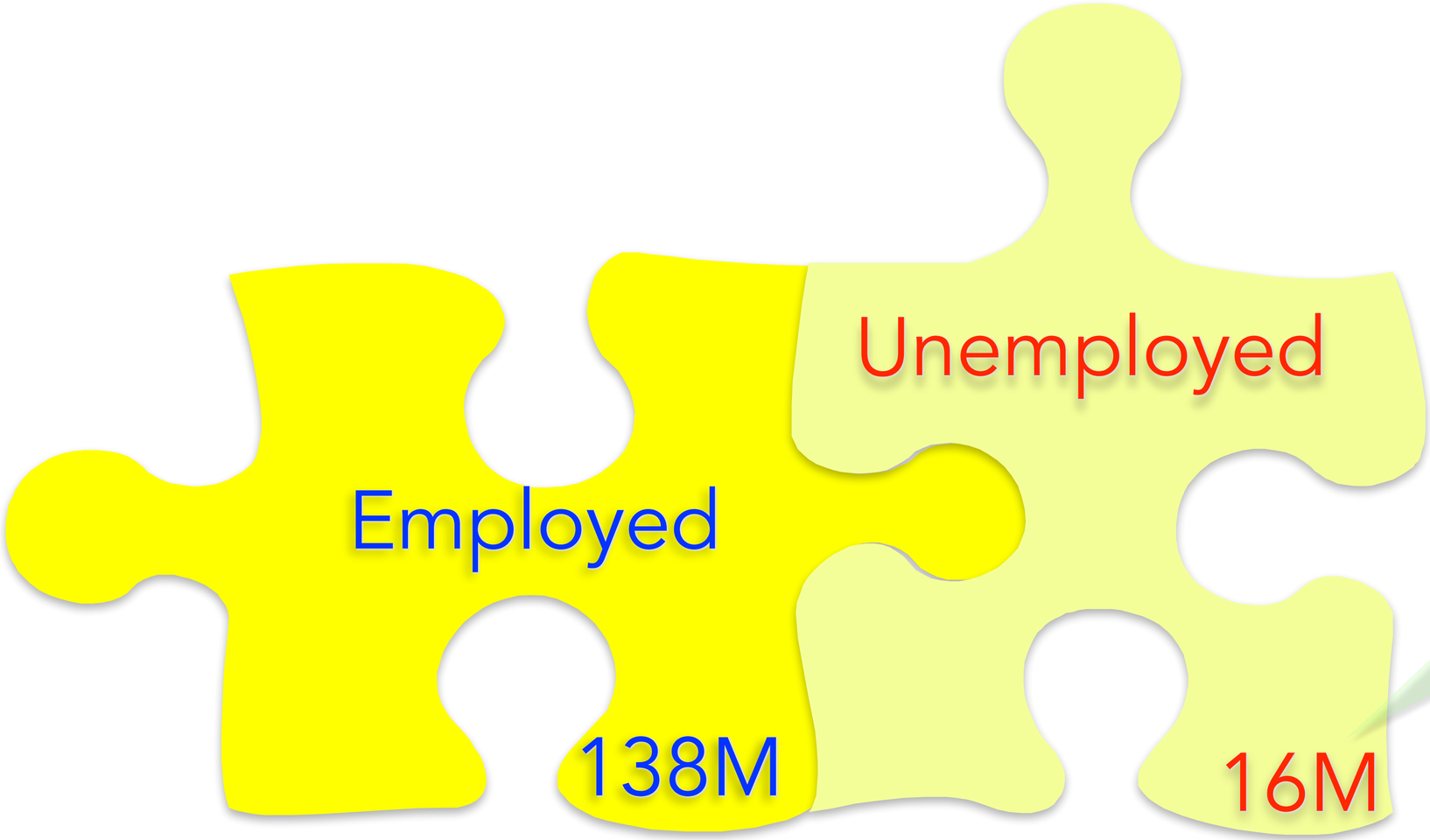
(15/153)*100 = 9.8%

Labor Force = 138 + 15 = 153

New Labor Force = 138 + 16 = 154

U_r = (15/153)*100 = 9.8%

New U_r = (16 /154)*100 = 10.4%



1M Discouraged workers are now counted as Unemployed

1M Discouraged workers start looking for work

When 1M people start looking for a job, the unemployment rate rise!

Unemployment rate

3.7%

Updated Jan 2024

Total unemployed people

6.1M

Updated Jan 2024

Unemployment insurance claims

2.3M

Updated Feb 24, 2024

Unemployment rate