

Documentation for Employment_08_09

These data file contains data on 5412 workers who were survey in the April 2008 Current Population Survey and reported that they were employed. The data file contains their employment status in April 2009, one year later, along with some additional variables.

Variable Name	Description
<i>Variables from the 2009 Survey</i>	
<i>employed</i>	indicator =1 if employed in 2009
<i>unemployed</i>	indicator =1 if unemployed in 2009
<i>Variables from the 2008 Survey</i>	
<i>age</i>	age
<i>female</i>	indicator =1 if female
<i>married</i>	indicator =1 if
<i>race</i>	= 1 if self-identified race = white (only) = 2 if self-identified race = black (only) = 3 if self-identified race was not white (only) or black (only)
<i>union</i>	indicator =1 if a member of a union
<i>ne states</i>	indicator =1 if from a northeastern state
<i>so states</i>	indicator =1 if from a southern state
<i>ce states</i>	indicator =1 if from a central state
<i>we states</i>	indicator =1 if from a western state
<i>private</i>	indicator =1 if employed in a private firm
<i>government</i>	indicator =1 if employed by the government
<i>self</i>	indicator =1 if self-employed
<i>educ lths</i>	indicator =1 if highest level of education is less than a high school graduate
<i>educ hs</i>	indicator =1 if highest level of education is a high school graduate
<i>educ somecol</i>	indicator =1 if highest level of education is some college
<i>educ aa</i>	indicator =1 if highest level of education is AA degree
<i>educ ba</i>	indicator =1 if highest level of education is BA or BS degree
<i>educ adv</i>	indicator =1 if highest level of education is advanced degree
<i>earnwke</i>	average weekly earnings