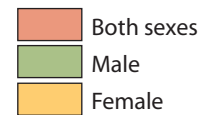


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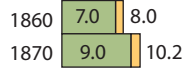
Labor Force for the Population 16 Years and Over by Sex for the United States: 1860 to 2010

(Data are for the civilian noninstitutionalized population)

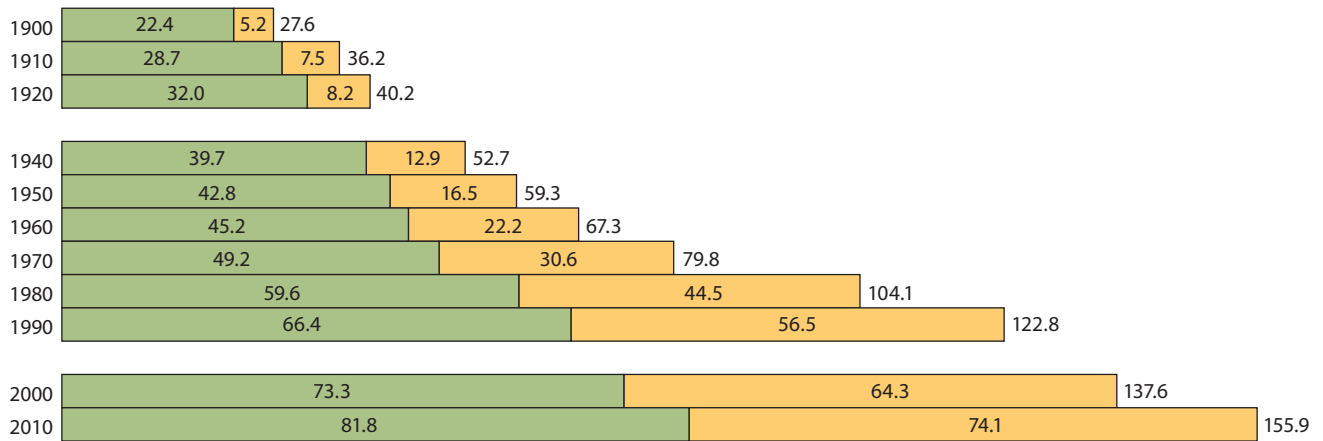
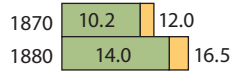
NUMBER (in millions)



White



Total



Numbers not shown on figure:

White Female	Total Female
1860 1.0	1870 1.8
1870 1.2	1880 2.5

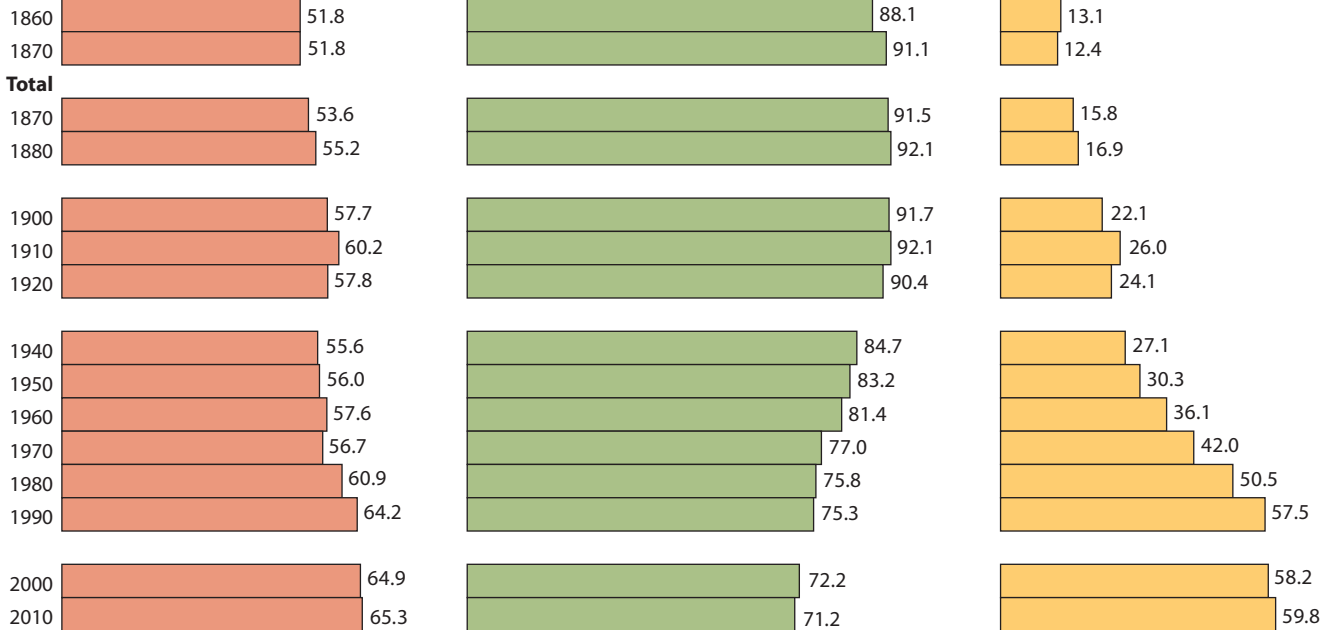
PARTICIPATION RATE (percentage of population 16 years and over)

Total (both sexes)

Male

Female

White



Sources: Matthew Sobek (2006b), tables on labor force, in *Historical Statistics of the United States: Millennium Edition*, Vol. 2, pp. 2-77 to 2-82; and U.S. Census Bureau, decennial census publications and for 2010, the American Community Survey (ACS). See www.demographicchartbook.com, References.

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