

**Americans Still Not Confident In U.S. Job Market:** A recent Gallup [poll](#) found that the percentage of the U.S. that said now is a good time to find a quality job fell to 38% in July, a three point decline from June (41%). In January 2015, 45% of Americans said it was a good time to find a quality job.

Many key demographic groups hold a negative view of the job market. More than half of men (53%) and women (60%) said it is a bad time to find a job. Only half of Millennials (51%) think it is a good time to find a job, compared to 56% of those aged 30 to 49, 64% of those aged 50 to 64 and 62% of those over 65 years old who said it is a bad time to do so. Additionally, 61% of those who are unemployed said it is a bad time to find a quality job. Almost half of Democrats or those who lean Democrat, agreed with 65% of Republicans or those who lean Republicans who said that it is a bad time to find a quality job.

According to the most recent Employment Situation [report](#) from the Bureau of Labor Statistics, the U-6 unemployment rate was 10.5% in June of 2015. This number includes those who are marginally attached to the labor force or who are working part-time for economic reasons as well as those officially out of working. On top of this, 14,955,000 Americans are not in the labor force today, more than before the recession started. The lack of confidence in the job market is not surprising when you look past the headlines.

