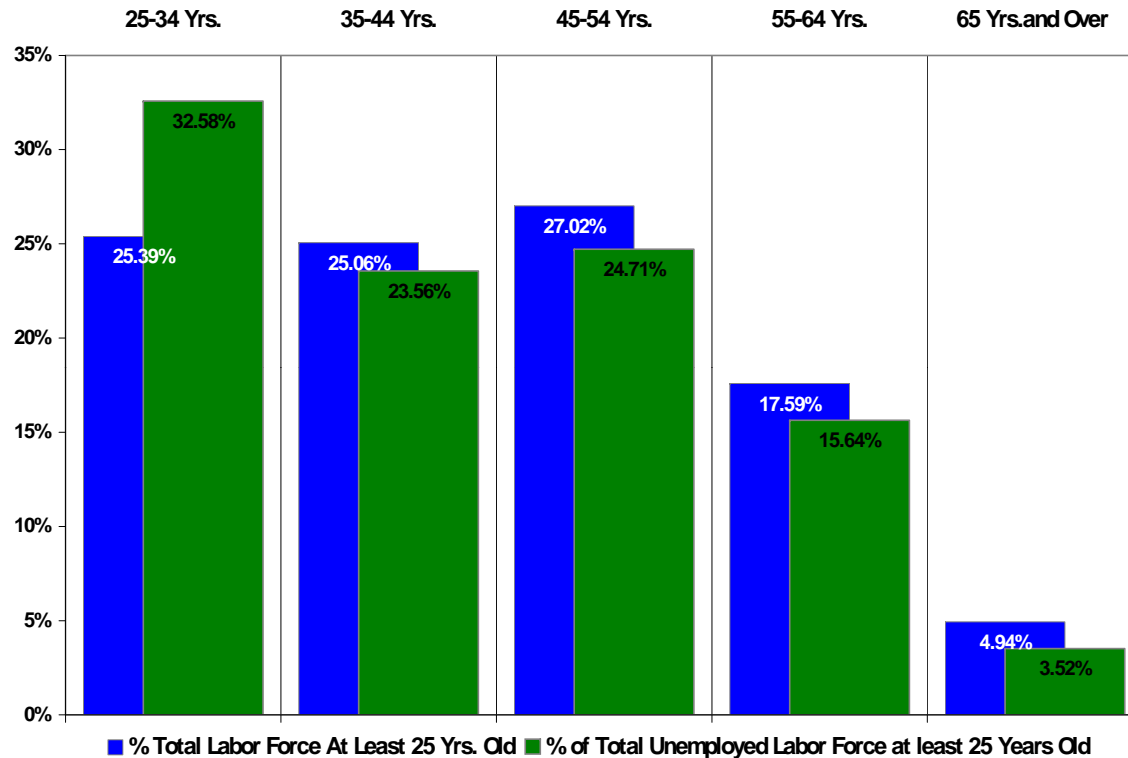


Deconstructing Unemployment Part I: Disparity Between Age Groups in Labor Force and Unemployment



	25-34 Yrs.	35-44 Yrs.	45-54 Yrs.	55-64 Yrs.	65 Yrs. & Up
% of Labor Force-to-% Unemployed	1.28	0.94	0.91	0.89	0.71

A %LF to %U Ratio of 1 indicates that an age group's contribution to unemployment is proportional to its contribution to the overall labor force. A ratio above 1 means that an age group is contributing more to unemployment relative to its contribution to the labor force; and a ratio below 1 indicates that an age group is contributing less to unemployment relative to its contribution to the labor force.

- While the 25-34 age group accounts for 24% of the total labor force at least 25 years of age, 32% of unemployed workers above the age of 25 are between 25-34 years old.
- Conversely, while workers aged 65 and over account for close to 5% of the total labor force, they account for only 3.5% of total unemployed workers above the age of 25.