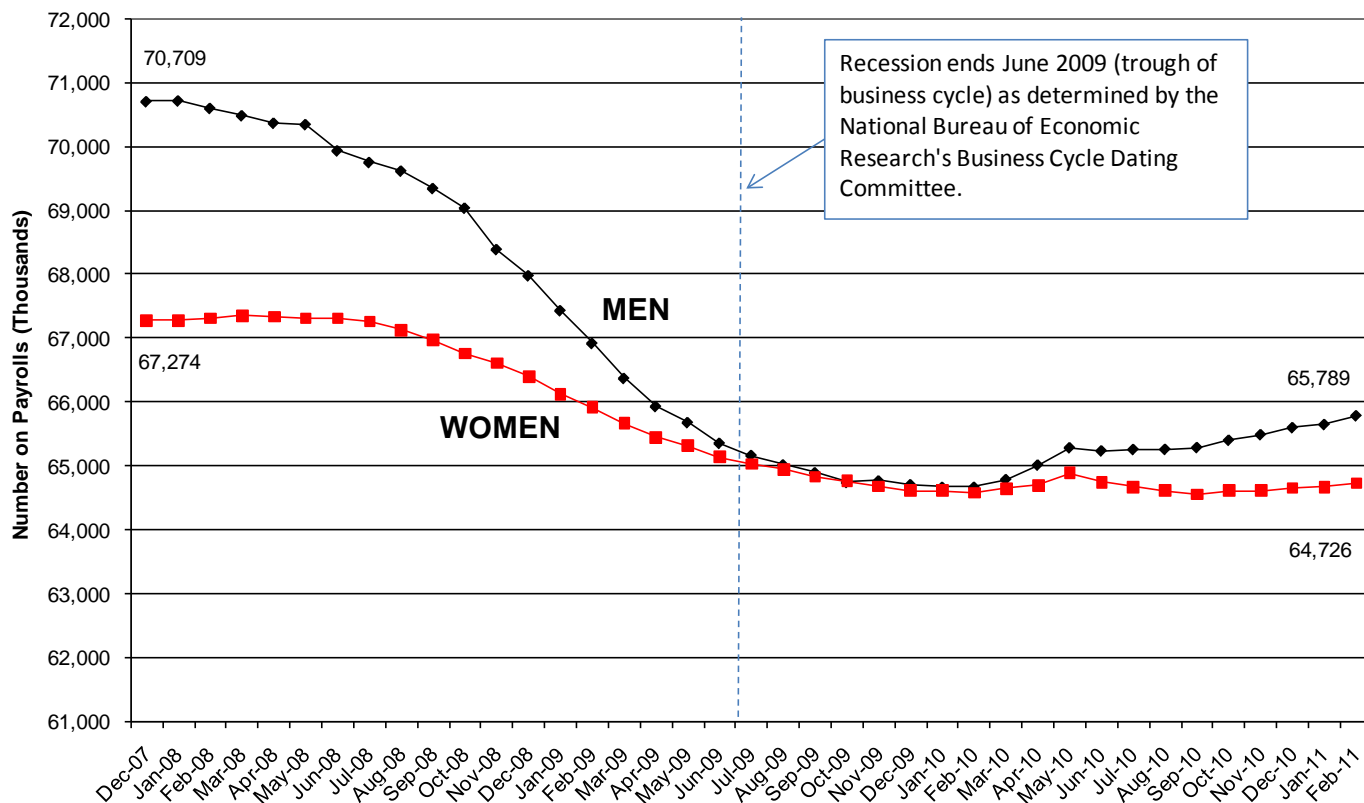


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Monthly Number of Women and Men on Payrolls (Seasonally Adjusted), December 2007 – February 2011



Source: US Department of Labor Bureau of Labor Statistics, Current Employment Statistics (March 4, 2011)

While men lost more jobs than women in the Great Recession (December 2007 – June 2009), they are gaining more jobs in the subsequent recovery. According to the establishment payroll data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics, men lost six million jobs between December 2007 and January 2010 (the trough of men's employment); from January 2010 to February 2011, 19 percent (1.1 million) of the jobs men lost were regained. Women lost 2.7 million jobs between December 2007 and September 2010 (the trough for women's employment); only 6 percent (173,000) of the jobs women lost were regained as of February 2011. In part, the poor performance of the labor market for women reflects recent job losses in the public sector (IWPR # Q001 *Women and Men in the Public Sector*).