

Estimates of Rural and Urban Employment and Unemployment, Early 2009 (in millions)

Group/sector	Labor force	Unemployed	Employed	Rate (percent)
Urban <i>hukou</i> formal employment	214	9.15 + 1.0 <sup>a</sup>	204	4.7
Urban <i>hukou</i> informal employment	85		85 <sup>b</sup>	
Rural migrant labor	140	23	117	16.4
Workers in TVEs <sup>c</sup>	85		85 <sup>b</sup>	
	Totals			
<b>Urban (non-agricultural)</b>	<b>514</b>	<b>33.15</b>	<b>481</b>	<b>6.4</b>
Workers in agriculture	256	29–81	175–227	11.3–31.6
<b>National</b>	<b>770</b>	<b>62–114</b>	<b>658–708</b>	<b>8.1–14.8</b>

<sup>a</sup>Refers to unemployed college graduates from 2008.

<sup>b</sup>Assuming no unemployment in this group.

<sup>c</sup>The jobs of a small number of workers employed in TVEs are in villages.

Source: [Cai, Fang and Kam Wing Chan, 2009. "Global Recession and Unemployment in China," \*Eurasian Geography and Economics\*, 50 \(5\), pp.513-531](#)