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GALLUP SURVEY ON UNEMPLOYMENT

According to a recent Gallup poll, unemployment is perceived to be one of the major problems faced by the nation. More than one quarter of all households in the country have one or more adults who are looking for work but have been unable to find it. This figure has been steadily increasing over the last few years.

The Gallup survey was conducted in 100 statistically selected cities and town all over the country. The survey findings show that the majority of the unemployed comprise of the younger population. Nearly 60% of the urban unemployed were under 30 years of age, 7% were between 30-40 years and 5% were over 40. Nearly 30% of the unemployed did not disclose their age. Perhaps a majority of them would also be in the younger age groups.

The Gallup survey probed the urban unemployed population about when they had lost their past job. The findings show that nearly half 48%, of the unemployed had never done a job, while nearly one third, 35%, gave no specific answer revealing that they faced casual unemployment. The remaining had lost their job over the period of last five years and were unable to find a substitute employment.

According to the Gallup survey unemployment hits people of all kinds of education attainments. Nearly 25% of the urban unemployed are illiterate or educated up to the primary level. Another 30% fall between middle and high school level. 25% have had some college education while more than 6% of the unemployed have a post graduate degree or high level professional education.