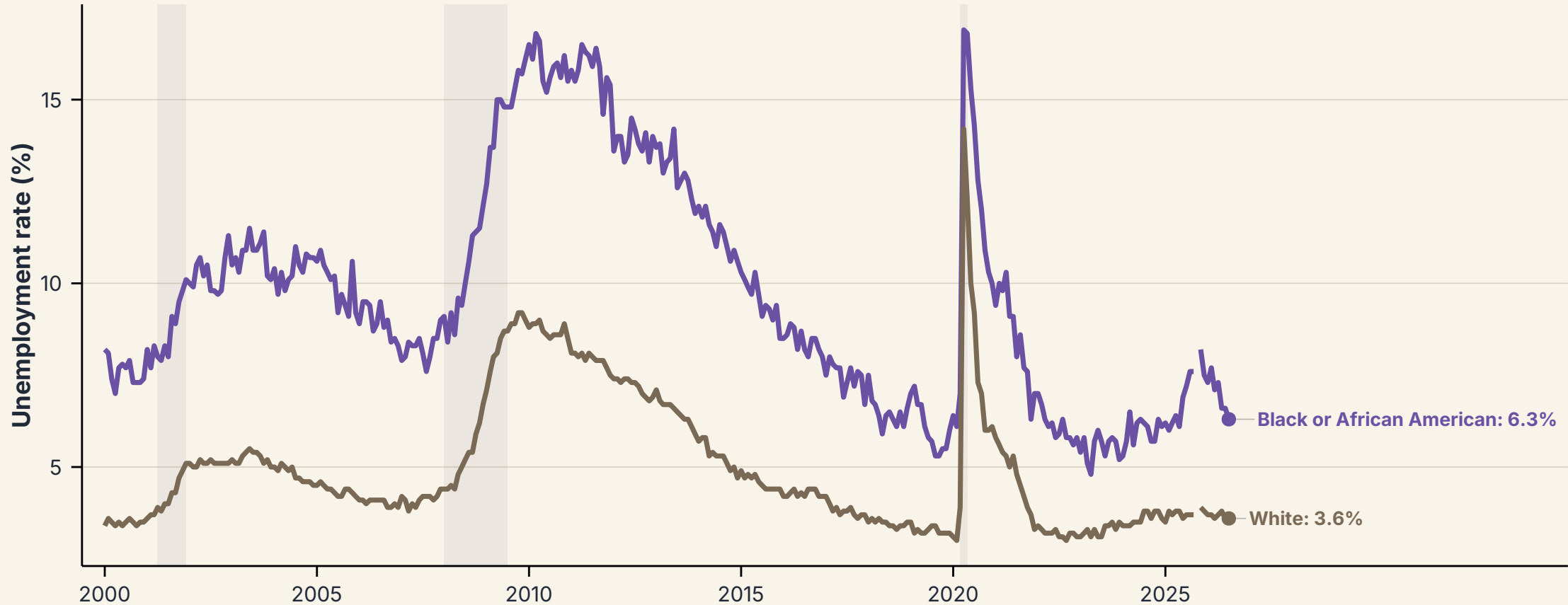


The Black-White Unemployment Gap

Latest: July 2026



Notes: Unemployment rates by race, seasonally adjusted. The Black unemployment rate runs close to double the white rate through most of this window, and in each downturn shown both rates rise - a key reason the Fed now discusses labour-market inclusiveness explicitly. Shaded bars: NBER recessions. The October 2025 US government shutdown interrupted data collection and publication for that reference month. The line breaks there rather than drawing across it.

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics via FRED (LNS14000006, LNS14000003). Retrieved 01 Sep 2026.

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