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Technical Notes

The *Arkansas Labor Market* is prepared monthly in conjunction with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS). The current month's estimates are preliminary, while previous month's data is subject to revision.

Estimates of nonfarm payroll jobs show the number of jobs by industry and reflect employment by place of work. Hours and earnings estimates are based on payroll and worker-hour data collected for production workers in manufacturing industries.

Industries are classified according to the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS). All estimates are based on a first quarter 2023 benchmark.

Explanation of Terms and Concepts

Monthly Business

Survey of Employers

A monthly sample survey designed to provide industry information on nonfarm payroll jobs. Data are compiled each month from mail surveys and telephone interviews conducted by the Bureau of Labor Statistics in cooperation with Department of Workforce Services. The data are based on establishment records and include all workers, full- or part-time, who received pay during the payroll period which includes the 12th of the month. Approximately

5,000 Arkansas business establishments are surveyed.

Metropolitan

Statistical Areas

A term applied by the U.S. Office of Management and Budget to counties that have one or more central cities and that meet specified criteria of population density, commuting patterns and social and economic integration.

Current Population

Survey (CPS)

A monthly sample survey of the population 16 years of age and over, designed to provide data on the labor force, the employed and the unemployed. The survey is conducted each month by the Bureau of the Census for BLS. The information is collected by trained interviewers from a sample of about 60,000 households. The data collected are based on the activity reported for the calendar week including the 12th of the month. Approximately 1,000 Arkansas households are represented in the sample survey.

Civilian Labor Force

The sum of all employed and unemployed persons 16 years of age or older. Members of the Armed Forces are excluded.

Employment

An estimate of the number of persons who worked any time

for pay or profit or worked 15 hours or more as unpaid workers in a family business during the calendar week which includes the 12th of the month. Also included are those who, although not working, had some job attachment and were not looking for work, and persons involved in labor management disputes.

Unemployment

An estimate of the number of persons who did not have a job, but were available for work and actively seeking work during the calendar week which includes the 12th of the month.

Unemployment

Rate

The number of unemployed as a percentage of the civilian labor force. Unemployment rates are calculated from unrounded data.

Seasonal

Adjustment

A statistical technique applied to monthly data to eliminate changes that normally occur during the year due to seasonal events such as weather, major holidays, schedule shifts, harvest times, and the opening/closing of schools.



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State of Arkansas

Civilian Labor Force Summary

The Arkansas Division of Workforce Services, Workforce Policy and Innovation, in conjunction with the Bureau of Labor Statistics, announced Arkansas' seasonally adjusted unemployment rate decreased one-tenth of a percentage point, from 3.4% in May to 3.3% in June. At 4.1%, the United States' jobless rate increased one-tenth of a percentage point in June.

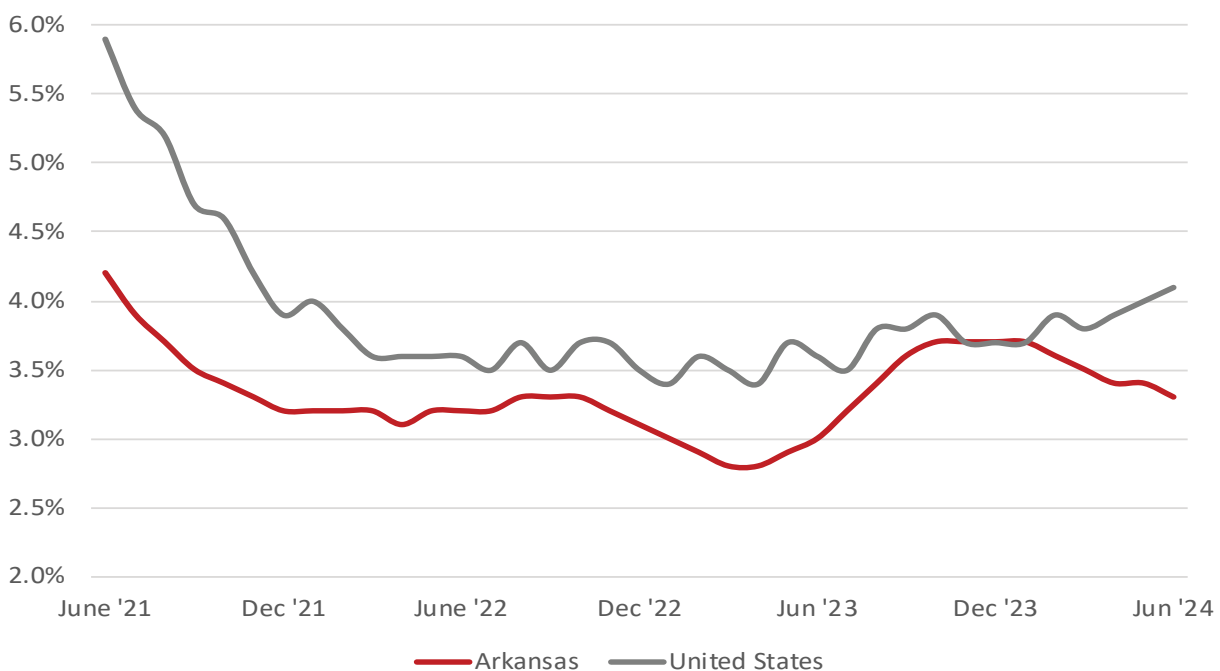
Arkansas' civilian labor force increased by 5,206 in June, pushing the labor force participation rate up to 57.7%. There are 5,628 more employed Arkansans compared to last month, as employment and the civilian labor force continue to be at record high levels for a 4th consecutive month.

Compared to June 2023, the number of employed in Arkansas is up 13,496. There are 4,542 more unemployed Arkansans actively seeking work and the civilian labor force is up 18,038, both contributing to an unemployment rate increase of three-tenths of a percentage point over the year. Arkansas' labor force participation rate is up one-tenth of a percentage point.

Civilian Labor Force Estimates

	Seasonally Adjusted			Not Seasonally Adjusted		
	Jun 24	May 24	Jun 23	Jun 24	May 24	Jun 23
Civilian Labor Force	1,396,376	1,391,170	1,378,338	Civilian Labor Force	1,428,178	1,400,538
Employment	1,349,861	1,344,233	1,336,365	Employment	1,375,342	1,354,848
Unemployment	46,515	46,937	41,973	Unemployment	52,836	45,690
Unemployment Rate	3.3%	3.4%	3.0%	Unemployment Rate	3.7%	3.3%
LF Participation Rate	57.7%	57.6%	57.6%	LF Participation Rate	59.0%	58.2%

Unemployment Rates - Arkansas vs United States (Seasonally Adjusted)
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State of Arkansas Nonfarm Payroll Jobs

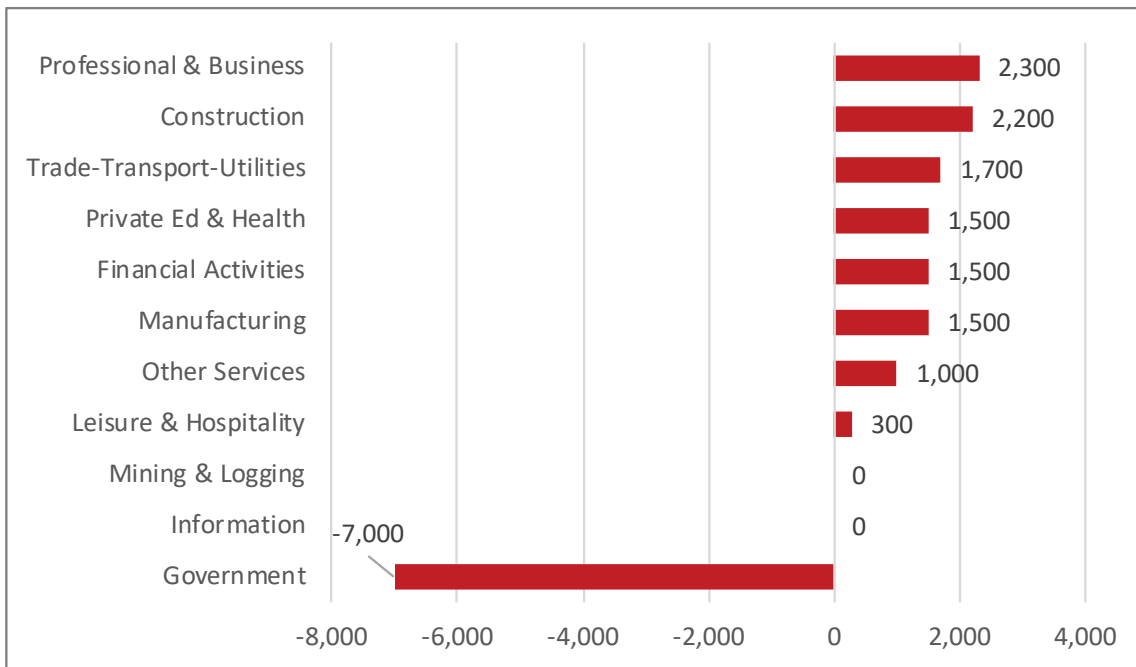
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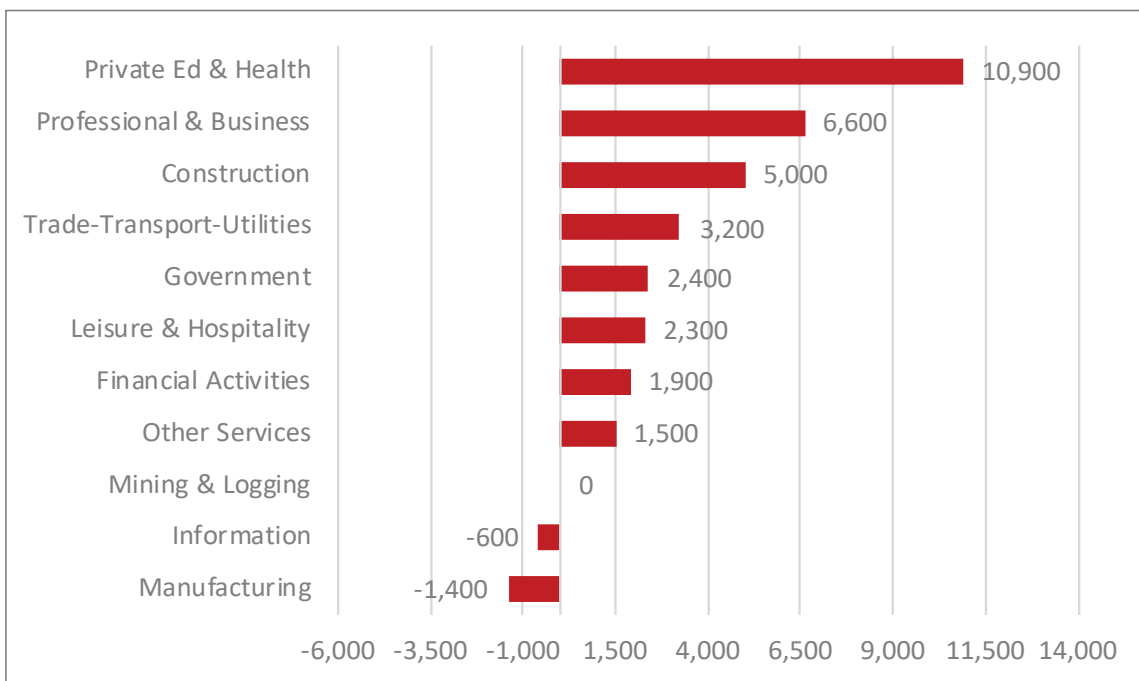
(NAICS)	<u>Jun 24</u>	<u>May 24</u>	<u>Jun 23</u>	<u>OTM</u>	<u>QTY</u>
Total Nonfarm	1381.4	1376.4	1349.6	5.0	31.8
Goods Producing	237.3	233.6	233.7	3.7	3.6
Mining, Logging, & Construction	74.9	72.7	69.9	2.2	5.0
Mining & Logging	5.3	5.3	5.3	0.0	0.0
Construction	69.6	67.4	64.6	2.2	5.0
Specialty Trade Contractors	44.6	42.4	40.4	2.2	4.2
Manufacturing	162.4	160.9	163.8	1.5	-1.4
Durable Goods	77.4	77.2	79.0	0.2	-1.6
Nondurable Goods	85.0	83.7	84.8	1.3	0.2
Service Providing	1144.1	1142.8	1115.9	1.3	28.2
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	270.2	268.5	267.0	1.7	3.2
Wholesale Trade	51.1	50.7	52.8	0.4	-1.7
Retail Trade	145.6	146.2	142.5	-0.6	3.1
Transport, Warehousing & Utilities	73.5	71.6	71.7	1.9	1.8
Information	12.3	12.3	12.9	0.0	-0.6
Financial Activities	72.1	70.6	70.2	1.5	1.9
Finance & Insurance	56.8	55.6	55.0	1.2	1.8
Real Estate & Rental & Leasing	15.3	15.0	15.2	0.3	0.1
Professional & Business Services	162.0	159.7	155.4	2.3	6.6
Professional, Scientific & Technical	51.3	50.0	50.3	1.3	1.0
Management of Companies	38.9	38.1	38.5	0.8	0.4
Administrative & Support Services	71.8	71.6	66.6	0.2	5.2
Private Education & Health Services	215.6	214.1	204.7	1.5	10.9
Private Educational Services	17.3	18.5	15.6	-1.2	1.7
Health Care & Social Assistance	198.3	195.6	189.1	2.7	9.2
Ambulatory Health Care	70.2	69.4	65.6	0.8	4.6
Social Assistance	39.8	39.5	38.8	0.3	1.0
Leisure & Hospitality	133.0	132.7	130.7	0.3	2.3
Arts, Entertainment & Recreation	14.8	14.5	15.2	0.3	-0.4
Accommodation & Food Services	118.2	118.2	115.5	0.0	2.7
Accommodation Services	12.1	11.8	12.2	0.3	-0.1
Food Services	106.1	106.4	103.3	-0.3	2.8
Other Services	69.5	68.5	68.0	1.0	1.5
Government	209.4	216.4	207.0	-7.0	2.4
Federal Government	21.8	21.8	21.3	0.0	0.5
State Government	72.8	77.7	72.7	-4.9	0.1
State Gov, Educational Services	26.7	31.6	26.6	-4.9	0.1
State Gov, Excluding Education	46.1	46.1	46.1	0.0	0.0
Local Government	114.8	116.9	113.0	-2.1	1.8
Local Gov, Educational Services	68.1	71.5	67.1	-3.4	1.0
Local Gov, Excluding Education	46.7	45.4	45.9	1.3	0.8

State of Arkansas Nonfarm Payroll Jobs

Monthly Job Gains/Losses by Major Industry Sector
May 2024 - June 2024 (Not Seasonally Adjusted)



Annual Job Gains/Losses by Major Industry Sector
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State of Arkansas Production Workers- Hours and Earnings

Manufacturing

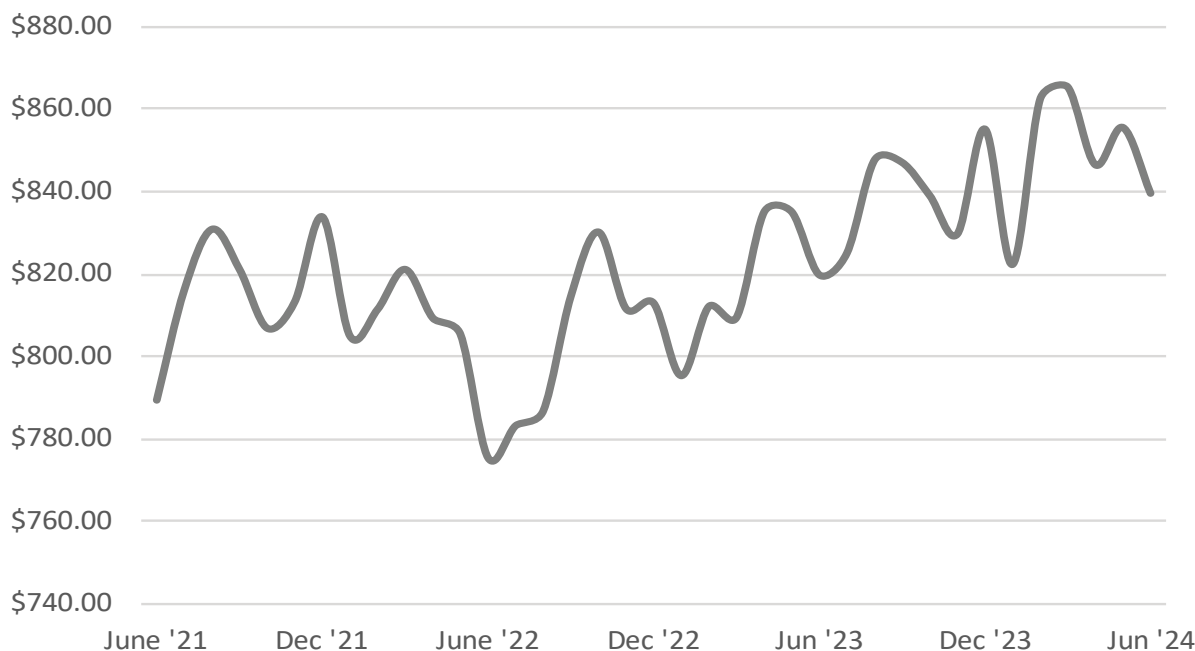
	<u>Jun 24</u>	<u>May 24</u>	<u>Jun 23</u>
Average Weekly Hours	38.4	37.9	38.3
Average Hourly Earnings	\$21.86	\$22.57	\$21.40
Average Weekly Earnings	\$839.42	\$855.40	\$819.62

Durable Goods and Nondurable Goods Manufacturing

	Durable Goods Manufacturing			Nondurable Goods Manufacturing		
	<u>Jun 24</u>	<u>May 24</u>	<u>Jun 23</u>	<u>Jun 24</u>	<u>May 24</u>	<u>Jun 23</u>
Average Weekly Hours	40.9	40.8	42.3	36.2	35.3	34.8
Average Hourly Earnings	\$24.20	\$25.27	\$23.70	\$19.49	\$19.76	\$18.86
Average Weekly Earnings	\$989.78	\$1,031.02	\$1,002.51	\$705.54	\$697.53	\$656.33

Average Weekly Earnings in Manufacturing

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Metropolitan Statistical Areas

Little Rock-North Little Rock-Conway MSA

The Little Rock-North Little Rock-Conway MSA = Faulkner, Grant, Lonoke, Perry, Pulaski, & Saline counties.

Civilian Labor Force Estimates (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

	<u>Jun 24</u>	<u>May 24</u>	<u>Jun 23</u>	<u>OTM</u>	<u>QTY</u>
Civilian Labor Force	383,599	375,189	369,202	8,410	14,397
Employment	370,420	363,612	357,564	6,808	12,856
Unemployment	13,179	11,577	11,638	1,602	1,541
Unemployment Rate	3.4%	3.1%	3.2%	0.3%	0.2%

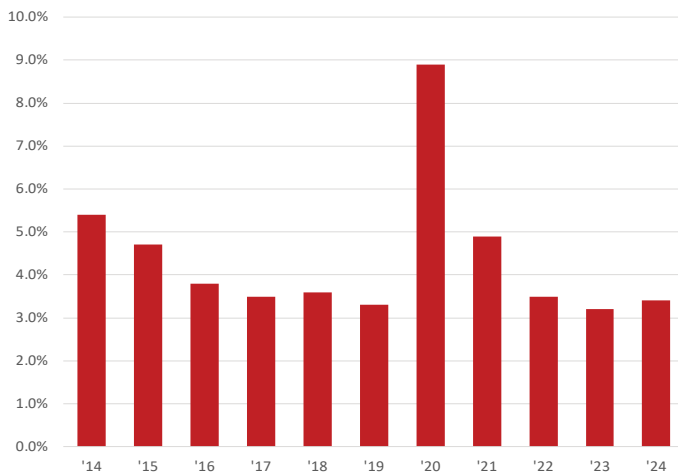
Nonfarm Payroll Jobs (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

(In Thousands)

<u>NAICS</u>	<u>Jun 24</u>	<u>May 24</u>	<u>Jun 23</u>	<u>OTM</u>	<u>QTY</u>
Total Nonfarm	401.3	398.4	388.3	2.9	13.0
Goods Producing	43.2	42.6	41.3	0.6	1.9
Mining, Logging & Construction	22.7	22.2	21.3	0.5	1.4
Manufacturing	20.5	20.4	20.0	0.1	0.5
Service Providing	358.1	355.8	347.0	2.3	11.1
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	78.7	78.2	77.6	0.5	1.1
Wholesale Trade	17.7	17.6	17.6	0.1	0.1
Retail Trade	39.1	39.2	38.7	-0.1	0.4
Trans., Warehousing & Utilities	21.9	21.4	21.3	0.5	0.6
Information	5.3	5.3	5.6	0.0	-0.3
Financial Activities	28.1	27.7	27.9	0.4	0.2
Professional & Business Services	51.5	50.6	48.4	0.9	3.1
Private Education & Health Services	67.5	66.5	63.3	1.0	4.2
Leisure & Hospitality	36.2	36.2	35.5	0.0	0.7
Other Services	20.1	19.8	19.7	0.3	0.4
Government	70.7	71.5	69.0	-0.8	1.7
Federal Government	10.7	10.7	10.3	0.0	0.4
State Government	32.9	33.8	32.8	-0.9	0.1
Local Government	27.1	27.0	25.9	0.1	1.2

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Jobs in Private Education & Health Services

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Metropolitan Statistical Areas Fayetteville-Springdale-Rogers MSA

The Fayetteville-Springdale-Rogers MSA = Benton, Madison, & Washington counties in Arkansas and McDonald county in Missouri.

Civilian Labor Force Estimates (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

	Jun 24	May 24	Jun 23	OTM	QTY
Civilian Labor Force	324,648	319,709	312,927	4,939	11,721
Employment	315,456	311,822	304,747	3,634	10,709
Unemployment	9,192	7,887	8,180	1,305	1,012
Unemployment Rate	2.8%	2.5%	2.6%	0.3%	0.2%

Nonfarm Payroll Jobs (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

(In Thousands)

NAICS	Jun 24	May 24	Jun 23	OTM	QTY
Total Nonfarm	314.8	314.8	304.7	0.0	10.1
Goods Producing	49.4	48.6	47.8	0.8	1.6
Mining, Logging & Construction	18.2	17.7	17.0	0.5	1.2
Manufacturing	31.2	30.9	30.8	0.3	0.4
Service Providing	265.4	266.2	256.9	-0.8	8.5
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	63.2	63.0	62.5	0.2	0.7
Wholesale Trade	13.9	13.9	14.2	0.0	-0.3
Retail Trade	30.0	30.0	28.8	0.0	1.2
Trans., Warehousing & Utilities	19.3	19.1	19.5	0.2	-0.2
Information	2.3	2.3	2.4	0.0	-0.1
Financial Activities	12.6	12.4	12.4	0.2	0.2
Professional & Business Services	60.5	59.6	59.2	0.9	1.3
Private Education & Health Services	37.5	37.1	34.9	0.4	2.6
Leisure & Hospitality	33.3	32.7	31.8	0.6	1.5
Other Services	14.0	13.9	13.6	0.1	0.4
Government	42.0	45.2	40.1	-3.2	1.9
Federal Government	3.2	3.2	3.1	0.0	0.1
State Government	17.9	21.2	16.6	-3.3	1.3
Local Government	20.9	20.8	20.4	0.1	0.5

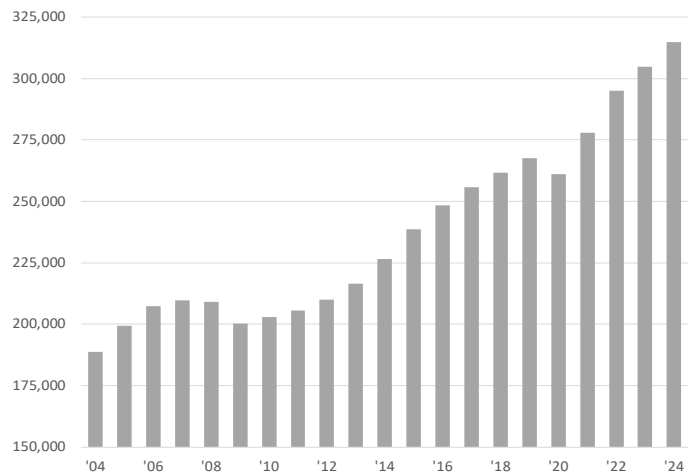
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Metropolitan Statistical Areas

Fort Smith MSA

The Fort Smith MSA = Crawford & Sebastian counties in Arkansas & LeFlore & Sequoyah counties in Oklahoma.

Civilian Labor Force Estimates (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

	<u>Jun 24</u>	<u>May 24</u>	<u>Jun 23</u>	<u>OTM</u>	<u>OTY</u>
Civilian Labor Force	124,079	121,805	121,297	2,274	2,782
Employment	119,212	117,430	116,695	1,782	2,517
Unemployment	4,867	4,375	4,602	492	265
Unemployment Rate	3.9%	3.6%	3.8%	0.3%	0.1%

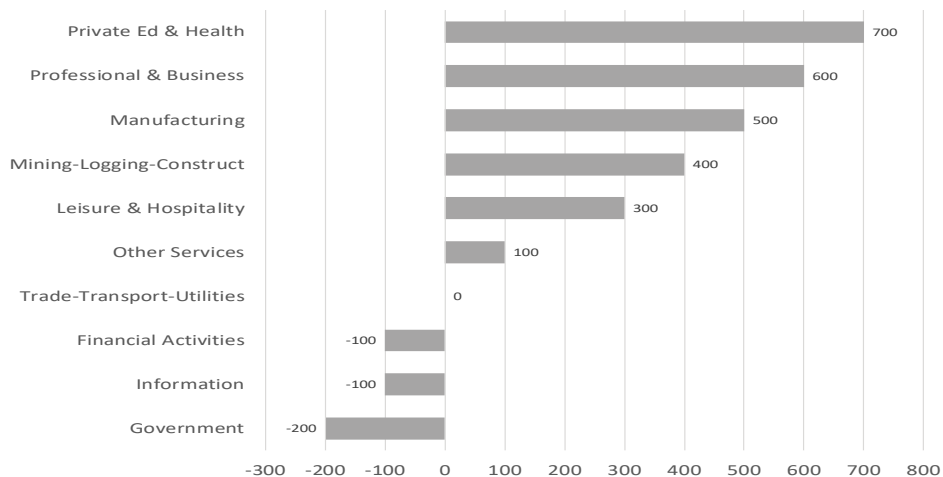
Nonfarm Payroll Jobs (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

(In Thousands)

<u>NAICS</u>	<u>Jun 24</u>	<u>May 24</u>	<u>Jun 23</u>	<u>OTM</u>	<u>OTY</u>
Total Nonfarm	118.5	118.5	116.3	0.0	2.2
Goods Producing	25.8	25.5	24.9	0.3	0.9
Mining, Logging & Construction	6.3	6.3	5.9	0.0	0.4
Manufacturing	19.5	19.2	19.0	0.3	0.5
Service Providing	92.7	93.0	91.4	-0.3	1.3
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	24.1	24.2	24.1	-0.1	0.0
Wholesale Trade	4.5	4.5	4.6	0.0	-0.1
Retail Trade	13.0	13.2	13.0	-0.2	0.0
Trans., Warehousing & Utilities	6.6	6.5	6.5	0.1	0.1
Information	1.4	1.4	1.5	0.0	-0.1
Financial Activities	4.8	4.8	4.9	0.0	-0.1
Professional & Business Services	12.0	11.9	11.4	0.1	0.6
Private Education & Health Services	19.3	19.1	18.6	0.2	0.7
Leisure & Hospitality	10.7	10.6	10.4	0.1	0.3
Other Services	4.1	4.0	4.0	0.1	0.1
Government	16.3	17.0	16.5	-0.7	-0.2
Federal Government	1.4	1.4	1.4	0.0	0.0
State Government	2.0	2.3	2.2	-0.3	-0.2
Local Government	12.9	13.3	12.9	-0.4	0.0

Over-the-Year Job Change by Industry Sector

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Metropolitan Statistical Areas

Hot Springs MSA

The Hot Springs MSA = Garland County.

Civilian Labor Force Estimates (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

	<u>Jun 24</u>	<u>May 24</u>	<u>Jun 23</u>	<u>OTM</u>	<u>OTY</u>
Civilian Labor Force	42,391	41,399	42,026	992	365
Employment	40,637	39,932	40,352	705	285
Unemployment	1,754	1,467	1,674	287	80
Unemployment Rate	4.1%	3.5%	4.0%	0.6%	0.1%

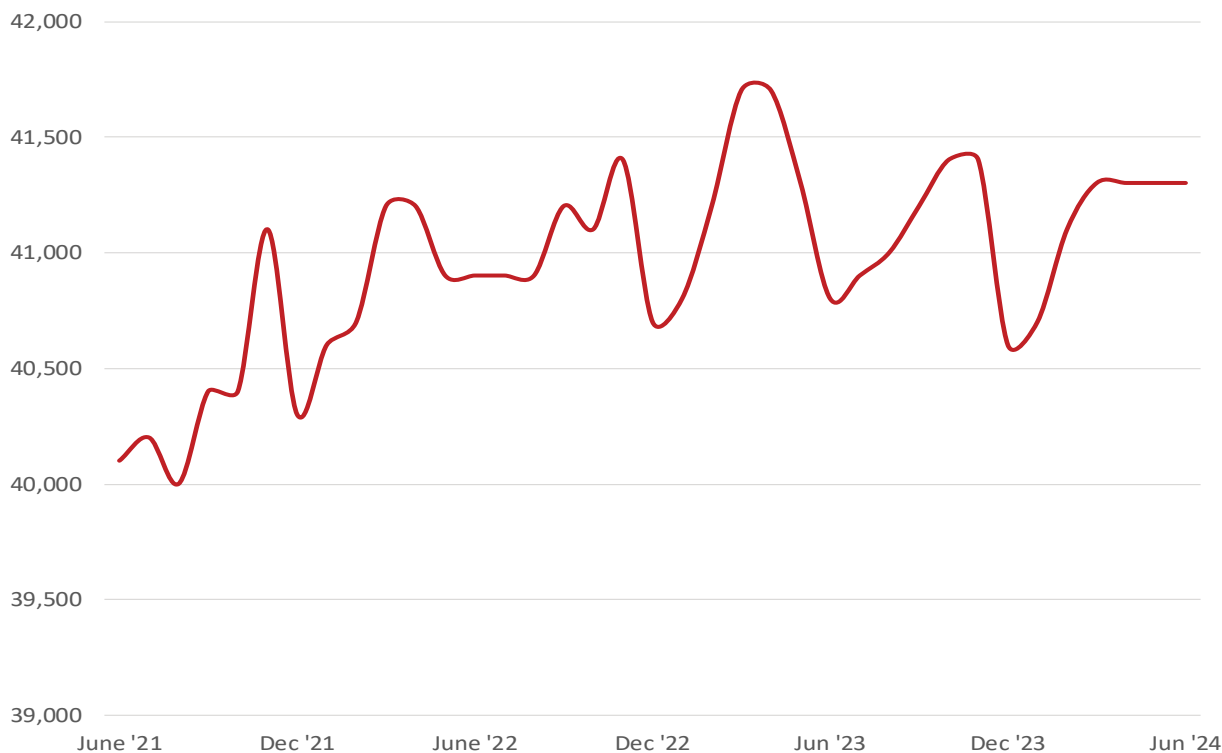
Nonfarm Payroll Jobs (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

(In Thousands)

<u>NAICS</u>	<u>Jun 24</u>	<u>May 24</u>	<u>Jun 23</u>	<u>OTM</u>	<u>OTY</u>
Total Nonfarm	41.3	41.3	41.3	0.0	0.0
Goods Producing	4.5	4.4	4.5	0.1	0.0
Service Providing	36.8	36.9	36.8	-0.1	0.0
Government	4.3	4.6	4.3	-0.3	0.0

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Jonesboro MSA

The Jonesboro MSA = Craighead & Poinsett counties.

Civilian Labor Force Estimates (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

	<u>Jun 24</u>	<u>May 24</u>	<u>Jun 23</u>	<u>OTM</u>	<u>OTY</u>
Civilian Labor Force	69,988	68,316	67,880	1,672	2,108
Employment	67,658	66,319	65,817	1,339	1,841
Unemployment	2,330	1,997	2,063	333	267
Unemployment Rate	3.3%	2.9%	3.0%	0.4%	0.3%

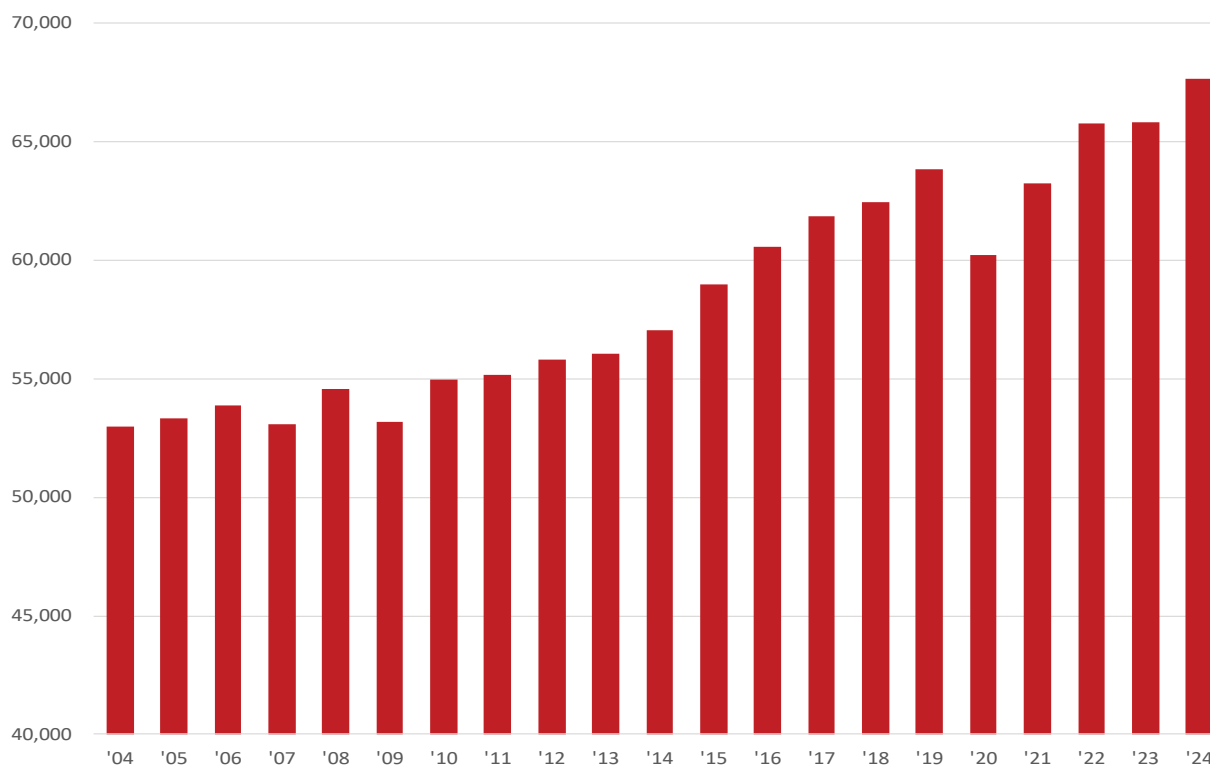
Nonfarm Payroll Jobs (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

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<u>NAICS</u>	<u>Jun 24</u>	<u>May 24</u>	<u>Jun 23</u>	<u>OTM</u>	<u>OTY</u>
Total Nonfarm	65.3	64.9	63.8	0.4	1.5
Goods Producing	11.8	11.5	11.7	0.3	0.1
Service Providing	53.5	53.4	52.1	0.1	1.4
Government	9.0	9.2	8.9	-0.2	0.1

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Pine Bluff MSA

The Pine Bluff MSA = Cleveland, Jefferson, & Lincoln counties.

Civilian Labor Force Estimates (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

	<u>Jun 24</u>	<u>May 24</u>	<u>Jun 23</u>	<u>OTM</u>	<u>QTY</u>
Civilian Labor Force	32,843	32,086	32,560	757	283
Employment	31,181	30,639	31,060	542	121
Unemployment	1,662	1,447	1,500	215	162
Unemployment Rate	5.1%	4.5%	4.6%	0.6%	0.5%

Nonfarm Payroll Jobs (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

(In Thousands)

<u>NAICS</u>	<u>Jun 24</u>	<u>May 24</u>	<u>Jun 23</u>	<u>OTM</u>	<u>QTY</u>
Total Nonfarm	31.5	31.4	31.6	0.1	-0.1
Goods Producing	5.4	5.3	5.5	0.1	-0.1
Service Providing	26.1	26.1	26.1	0.0	0.0
Government	8.4	8.5	8.7	-0.1	-0.3

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Out-of-State MSA

Civilian Labor Force Estimates (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

Memphis, TN-MS-AR MSA

The Memphis, TN-MS-AR MSA = Fayette, Shelby, & Tipton counties in Tennessee; Benton, Desoto, Marshall, Tate, & Tunica counties in Mississippi; & Crittenden County in Arkansas.

	<u>Jun 24</u>	<u>May 24</u>	<u>Jun 23</u>	<u>OTM</u>	<u>QTY</u>
Civilian Labor Force	622,526	620,054	630,277	-2,472	-7,751
Employment	593,535	598,246	601,528	-4,711	-7,993
Unemployment	28,991	21,808	28,749	7,183	242
Unemployment Rate	4.7%	3.5%	4.6%	1.2%	0.1%

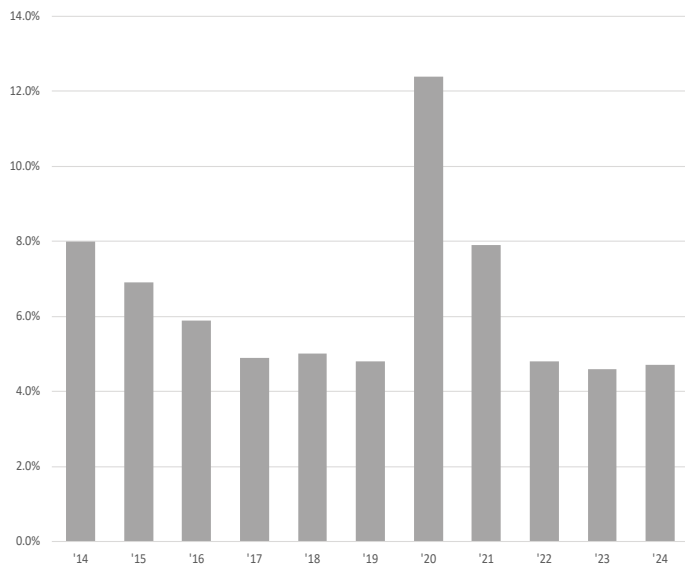
Texarkana MSA

The Texarkana MSA= Bowie County in Texas & Little River & Miller counties in Arkansas.

	<u>Jun 24</u>	<u>May 24</u>	<u>Jun 23</u>	<u>OTM</u>	<u>QTY</u>
Civilian Labor Force	63,576	62,390	63,078	1,186	498
Employment	60,693	59,942	60,415	751	278
Unemployment	2,883	2,448	2,663	435	220
Unemployment Rate	4.5%	3.9%	4.2%	0.6%	0.3%

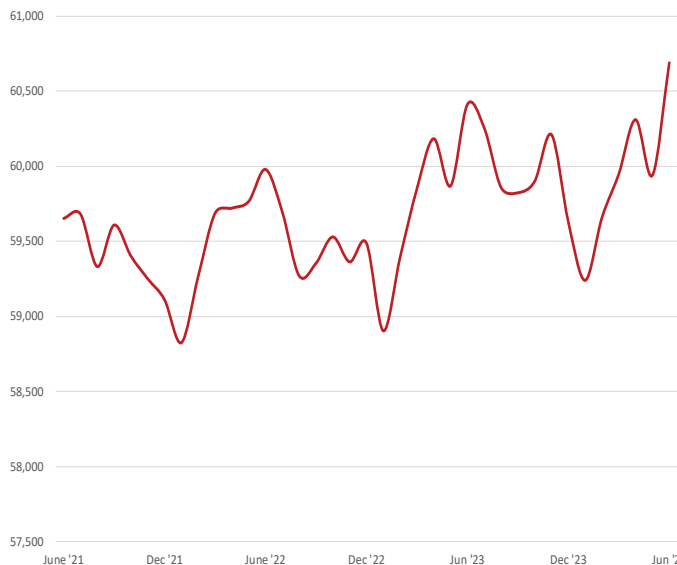
Memphis MSA - Unemployment Rates

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Texarkana MSA - Employment

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Micropolitan Statistical Areas Civilian Labor Force Estimates

Not Seasonally Adjusted

Micro Area	June 2024				May 2024				June 2023			
	CLF	Emp	Unemp	Rate	CLF	Emp	Unemp	Rate	CLF	Emp	Unemp	Rate
Arkadelphia Micro	8,569	8,113	456	5.3	8,667	8,273	394	4.5	8,445	7,981	464	5.5
Batesville Micro	17,161	16,559	602	3.5	17,006	16,509	497	2.9	17,054	16,359	695	4.1
Blytheville Micro	17,534	16,557	977	5.6	17,164	16,327	837	4.9	17,117	16,097	1,020	6.0
Camden Micro	12,216	11,705	511	4.2	12,036	11,573	463	3.8	12,189	11,742	447	3.7
El Dorado Micro	14,907	14,066	841	5.6	14,632	13,882	750	5.1	14,956	14,236	720	4.8
Forrest City Micro	7,639	7,175	464	6.1	7,470	7,076	394	5.3	7,581	7,208	373	4.9
Harrison Micro	19,436	18,705	731	3.8	19,105	18,478	627	3.3	19,230	18,588	642	3.3
Helena-West Helena Micro	5,240	4,920	320	6.1	5,151	4,865	286	5.6	5,382	5,036	346	6.4
Hope Micro	12,367	11,848	519	4.2	12,116	11,691	425	3.5	12,856	12,360	496	3.9
Magnolia Micro	8,788	8,380	408	4.6	8,917	8,552	365	4.1	8,654	8,250	404	4.7
Malvern Micro	13,995	13,403	592	4.2	13,678	13,196	482	3.5	13,919	13,386	533	3.8
Mountain Home Micro	17,382	16,646	736	4.2	17,073	16,449	624	3.7	17,267	16,641	626	3.6
Paragould Micro	20,443	19,653	790	3.9	20,040	19,348	692	3.5	20,066	19,367	699	3.5
Russellville Micro	37,145	35,527	1,618	4.4	36,909	35,582	1,327	3.6	36,968	35,410	1,558	4.2
Searcy Micro	34,834	33,441	1,393	4.0	34,355	33,147	1,208	3.5	34,081	32,797	1,284	3.8

Arkadelphia Micro = Clark County

Batesville Micro = Independence County

Blytheville Micro = Mississippi County

Camden Micro = Calhoun & Ouachita counties

El Dorado Micro = Union County

Forrest City Micro = St. Francis County

Harrison Micro = Boone & Newton counties

Helena-West Helena Micro = Phillips County

Hope Micro = Hempstead & Nevada counties

Magnolia Micro = Columbia County

Malvern Micro = Hot Spring County

Mountain Home Micro = Baxter County

Paragould Micro = Greene County

Russellville Micro = Pope & Yell counties

Searcy Micro = White County

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	CLF	Emp	Unemp	Rate	CLF	Emp	Unemp	Rate	CLF	Emp	Unemp	Rate
Bella Vista	13,971	13,477	494	3.5	13,746	13,323	423	3.1	13,461	13,011	450	3.3
Benton	19,102	18,490	612	3.2	18,665	18,156	509	2.7	18,424	17,851	573	3.1
Bentonville	33,890	32,959	931	2.7	33,353	32,581	772	2.3	32,607	31,819	788	2.4
Blytheville	5,950	5,542	408	6.9	5,773	5,465	308	5.3	5,829	5,388	441	7.6
Cabot	12,879	12,495	384	3.0	12,579	12,243	336	2.7	12,399	12,053	346	2.8
Conway	37,051	35,877	1,174	3.2	36,231	35,201	1,030	2.8	35,736	34,635	1,101	3.1
El Dorado	6,461	6,053	408	6.3	6,380	5,974	406	6.4	6,452	6,126	326	5.1
Fayetteville	55,259	53,726	1,533	2.8	54,382	53,090	1,292	2.4	53,294	51,877	1,417	2.7
Fort Smith	40,207	38,730	1,477	3.7	39,476	38,176	1,300	3.3	39,339	37,806	1,533	3.9
Hot Springs	15,772	15,038	734	4.7	15,420	14,777	643	4.2	15,604	14,932	672	4.3
Jacksonville	12,447	11,931	516	4.1	12,145	11,718	427	3.5	11,961	11,518	443	3.7
Jonesboro	42,163	40,750	1,413	3.4	41,203	39,970	1,233	3.0	40,898	39,652	1,246	3.0
Little Rock	104,008	100,135	3,873	3.7	101,842	98,345	3,497	3.4	99,993	96,669	3,324	3.3
North Little Rock	32,056	30,792	1,264	3.9	31,412	30,242	1,170	3.7	30,843	29,726	1,117	3.6
Paragould	13,007	12,490	517	4.0	12,758	12,296	462	3.6	12,770	12,308	462	3.6
Pine Bluff	15,367	14,473	894	5.8	15,050	14,247	803	5.3	15,264	14,429	835	5.5
Rogers	41,480	40,435	1,045	2.5	40,899	39,971	928	2.3	40,024	39,037	987	2.5
Russellville	13,341	12,783	558	4.2	13,280	12,823	457	3.4	13,297	12,752	545	4.1
Searcy	10,528	10,099	429	4.1	10,362	10,010	352	3.4	10,293	9,904	389	3.8
Sherwood	17,379	16,805	574	3.3	17,005	16,504	501	2.9	16,703	16,223	480	2.9
Springdale	44,085	42,907	1,178	2.7	43,445	42,400	1,045	2.4	42,452	41,430	1,022	2.4
Texarkana, AR	13,118	12,538	580	4.4	12,782	12,268	514	4.0	13,041	12,475	566	4.3
Van Buren	10,744	10,365	379	3.5	10,545	10,208	337	3.2	10,550	10,112	438	4.2
West Memphis	10,077	9,523	554	5.5	9,932	9,463	469	4.7	10,128	9,622	506	5.0

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Arkansas	9,257	8,971	286	3.1	9,013	8,767	246	2.7	9,228	8,978	250	2.7
Ashley	6,776	6,367	409	6.0	6,656	6,283	373	5.6	6,658	6,266	392	5.9
Baxter	17,382	16,646	736	4.2	17,073	16,449	624	3.7	17,267	16,641	626	3.6
Benton	161,786	157,244	4,542	2.8	159,347	155,440	3,907	2.5	155,926	151,808	4,118	2.6
Boone	16,172	15,569	603	3.7	15,911	15,395	516	3.2	16,007	15,477	530	3.3
Bradley	4,218	4,039	179	4.2	4,106	3,939	167	4.1	4,111	3,919	192	4.7
Calhoun	2,419	2,328	91	3.8	2,370	2,291	79	3.3	2,397	2,328	69	2.9
Carroll	12,655	12,207	448	3.5	12,181	11,786	395	3.2	12,747	12,375	372	2.9
Chicot	2,935	2,751	184	6.3	2,850	2,687	163	5.7	2,900	2,725	175	6.0
Clark	8,569	8,113	456	5.3	8,667	8,273	394	4.5	8,445	7,981	464	5.5
Clay	5,493	5,246	247	4.5	5,362	5,139	223	4.2	5,496	5,270	226	4.1
Cleburne	9,459	9,040	419	4.4	9,124	8,774	350	3.8	9,222	8,854	368	4.0
Cleveland	3,145	3,011	134	4.3	3,050	2,943	107	3.5	3,104	2,992	112	3.6
Columbia	8,788	8,380	408	4.6	8,917	8,552	365	4.1	8,654	8,250	404	4.7
Conway	8,581	8,226	355	4.1	8,368	8,078	290	3.5	8,535	8,203	332	3.9
Craighead	59,617	57,703	1,914	3.2	58,247	56,599	1,648	2.8	57,863	56,149	1,714	3.0
Crawford	27,551	26,527	1,024	3.7	27,027	26,125	902	3.3	26,872	25,879	993	3.7
Crittenden	20,512	19,515	997	4.9	20,235	19,391	844	4.2	20,637	19,717	920	4.5
Cross	7,197	6,909	288	4.0	7,023	6,779	244	3.5	6,986	6,742	244	3.5
Dallas	2,693	2,576	117	4.3	2,652	2,546	106	4.0	2,723	2,616	107	3.9
Desha	5,028	4,730	298	5.9	4,896	4,616	280	5.7	4,964	4,737	227	4.6
Drew	7,706	7,361	345	4.5	7,648	7,344	304	4.0	7,489	7,175	314	4.2
Faulkner	67,300	65,167	2,133	3.2	65,779	63,939	1,840	2.8	64,885	62,910	1,975	3.0
Franklin	7,711	7,430	281	3.6	7,522	7,285	237	3.2	7,554	7,307	247	3.3
Fulton	4,737	4,532	205	4.3	4,563	4,403	160	3.5	4,665	4,471	194	4.2
Garland	42,391	40,637	1,754	4.1	41,399	39,932	1,467	3.5	42,026	40,352	1,674	4.0
Grant	9,029	8,736	293	3.2	8,807	8,571	236	2.7	8,699	8,424	275	3.2
Greene	20,443	19,653	790	3.9	20,040	19,348	692	3.5	20,066	19,367	699	3.5
Hempstead	9,053	8,684	369	4.1	8,875	8,564	311	3.5	9,398	9,052	346	3.7
Hot Spring	13,995	13,403	592	4.2	13,678	13,196	482	3.5	13,919	13,386	533	3.8
Howard	5,351	5,146	205	3.8	5,211	5,044	167	3.2	5,376	5,173	203	3.8
Independence	17,161	16,559	602	3.5	17,006	16,509	497	2.9	17,054	16,359	695	4.1
Izard	4,661	4,409	252	5.4	4,619	4,414	205	4.4	4,600	4,334	266	5.8
Jackson	5,536	5,281	255	4.6	5,394	5,166	228	4.2	5,500	5,215	285	5.2
Jefferson	25,908	24,580	1,328	5.1	25,365	24,195	1,170	4.6	25,746	24,505	1,241	4.8
Johnson	9,930	9,374	556	5.6	9,851	9,331	520	5.3	10,093	9,656	437	4.3
Lafayette	2,193	2,070	123	5.6	2,155	2,052	103	4.8	2,241	2,122	119	5.3
Lawrence	6,841	6,564	277	4.0	6,864	6,629	235	3.4	6,711	6,469	242	3.6
Lee	2,568	2,432	136	5.3	2,501	2,383	118	4.7	2,597	2,454	143	5.5
Lincoln	3,790	3,590	200	5.3	3,671	3,501	170	4.6	3,710	3,563	147	4.0
Little River	5,313	5,094	219	4.1	5,196	4,994	202	3.9	5,254	5,066	188	3.6
Logan	8,516	8,150	366	4.3	8,279	7,967	312	3.8	8,494	8,135	359	4.2
Lonoke	36,558	35,420	1,138	3.1	35,706	34,706	1,000	2.8	35,184	34,168	1,016	2.9
Madison	8,323	8,066	257	3.1	8,127	7,907	220	2.7	7,999	7,774	225	2.8
Marion	6,140	5,846	294	4.8	5,944	5,708	236	4.0	6,207	5,932	275	4.4
Miller	19,126	18,328	798	4.2	18,637	17,933	704	3.8	19,006	18,235	771	4.1

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	CLF	Emp	Unemp	Rate	CLF	Emp	Unemp	Rate	CLF	Emp	Unemp	Rate
Mississippi	17,534	16,557	977	5.6	17,164	16,327	837	4.9	17,117	16,097	1,020	6.0
Monroe	2,565	2,435	130	5.1	2,468	2,370	98	4.0	2,550	2,448	102	4.0
Montgomery	3,254	3,093	161	4.9	3,033	2,901	132	4.4	3,108	2,956	152	4.9
Nevada	3,314	3,164	150	4.5	3,241	3,127	114	3.5	3,458	3,308	150	4.3
Newton	3,264	3,136	128	3.9	3,194	3,083	111	3.5	3,223	3,111	112	3.5
Ouachita	9,797	9,377	420	4.3	9,666	9,282	384	4.0	9,792	9,414	378	3.9
Perry	4,504	4,324	180	4.0	4,376	4,227	149	3.4	4,332	4,174	158	3.6
Phillips	5,240	4,920	320	6.1	5,151	4,865	286	5.6	5,382	5,036	346	6.4
Pike	4,247	4,065	182	4.3	4,087	3,930	157	3.8	4,175	4,019	156	3.7
Poinsett	10,371	9,955	416	4.0	10,069	9,720	349	3.5	10,017	9,668	349	3.5
Polk	7,905	7,550	355	4.5	7,751	7,420	331	4.3	7,941	7,648	293	3.7
Pope	28,854	27,600	1,254	4.3	28,720	27,686	1,034	3.6	28,762	27,534	1,228	4.3
Prairie	3,701	3,579	122	3.3	3,600	3,493	107	3.0	3,583	3,467	116	3.2
Pulaski	202,112	194,688	7,424	3.7	197,856	191,207	6,649	3.4	194,346	187,948	6,398	3.3
Randolph	7,220	6,900	320	4.4	7,105	6,843	262	3.7	7,126	6,841	285	4.0
St. Francis	7,639	7,175	464	6.1	7,470	7,076	394	5.3	7,581	7,208	373	4.9
Saline	64,096	62,085	2,011	3.1	62,665	60,962	1,703	2.7	61,756	59,940	1,816	2.9
Scott	4,563	4,401	162	3.6	4,417	4,280	137	3.1	4,490	4,348	142	3.2
Searcy	3,059	2,919	140	4.6	2,914	2,799	115	3.9	3,097	2,962	135	4.4
Sebastian	57,890	55,793	2,097	3.6	56,834	54,994	1,840	3.2	56,526	54,461	2,065	3.7
Sevier	5,678	5,442	236	4.2	5,549	5,348	201	3.6	5,504	5,283	221	4.0
Sharp	6,212	5,930	282	4.5	6,130	5,887	243	4.0	6,017	5,761	256	4.3
Stone	4,802	4,593	209	4.4	4,640	4,460	180	3.9	4,542	4,343	199	4.4
Union	14,907	14,066	841	5.6	14,632	13,882	750	5.1	14,956	14,236	720	4.8
Van Buren	6,142	5,867	275	4.5	5,947	5,710	237	4.0	6,142	5,894	248	4.0
Washington	142,788	138,980	3,808	2.7	140,586	137,334	3,252	2.3	137,618	134,195	3,423	2.5
White	34,834	33,441	1,393	4.0	34,355	33,147	1,208	3.5	34,081	32,797	1,284	3.8
Woodruff	2,885	2,774	111	3.8	2,821	2,725	96	3.4	2,861	2,763	98	3.4
Yell	8,291	7,927	364	4.4	8,189	7,896	293	3.6	8,206	7,876	330	4.0

County Labor Force Summary

Between May and June, unemployment rates increased in all 75 Arkansas counties. Rates in June ranged from a low of 2.7% in Washington County to a high of 6.3% in Chicot County. Over-the-month increases ranged from as little as one-tenth of a percentage point increase in Bradley County to as much as a one and one-tenth of a percentage point jump in Monroe County.

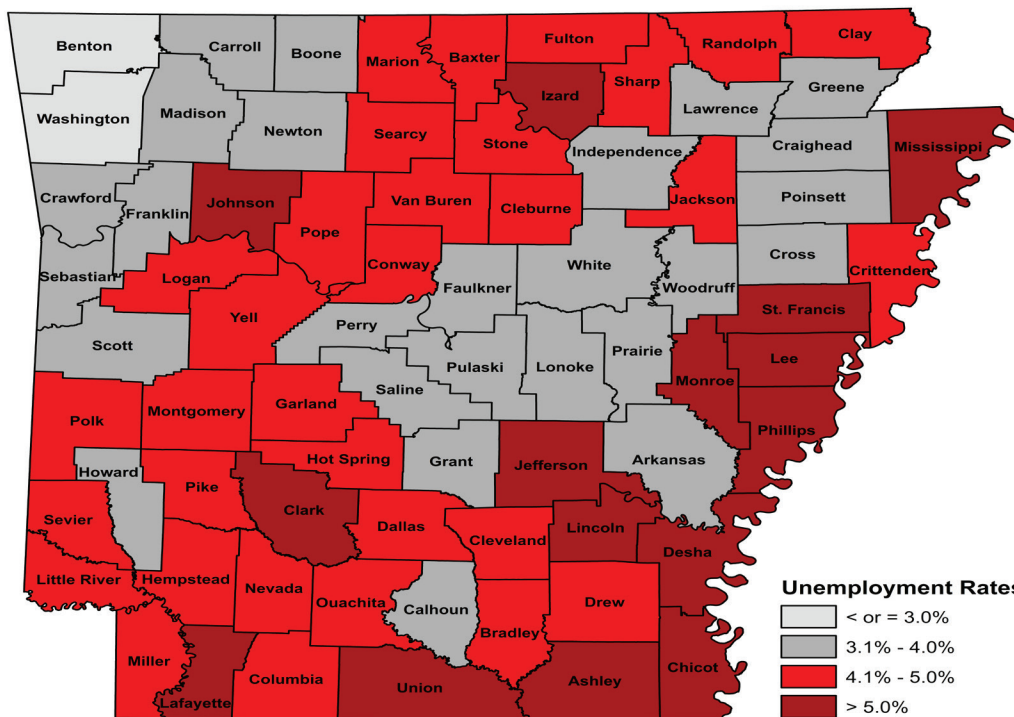
In June, two counties posted an unemployment rate at or below 3%. That is down from 11 counties at or below 3% last month. For the 5th consecutive month, no county reported a jobless rate above seven percent.

Compared to June 2023, jobless rates are up in 59 Arkansas counties. Rates declined in ten counties while remaining stable in six counties. Jackson and Independence counties posted the largest annual jobless rate decline, both down six-tenths of a percentage point over the year.

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County Unemployment Rates



Ranked by Unemployment Rates

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Rank	County	Rate	Rank	County	Rate	Rank	County	Rate
1	Washington	2.7	24	Perry	4.0	49	Nevada	4.5
2	Benton	2.8	24	Poinsett	4.0	49	Polk	4.5
3	Arkansas	3.1	24	White	4.0	49	Sharp	4.5
3	Lonoke	3.1	29	Conway	4.1	49	Van Buren	4.5
3	Madison	3.1	29	Garland	4.1	55	Columbia	4.6
3	Saline	3.1	29	Hempstead	4.1	55	Jackson	4.6
7	Craighead	3.2	29	Little River	4.1	55	Searcy	4.6
7	Faulkner	3.2	33	Baxter	4.2	58	Marion	4.8
7	Grant	3.2	33	Bradley	4.2	59	Crittenden	4.9
10	Prairie	3.3	33	Hot Spring	4.2	59	Montgomery	4.9
11	Carroll	3.5	33	Miller	4.2	61	Jefferson	5.1
11	Independence	3.5	33	Sevier	4.2	61	Monroe	5.1
13	Franklin	3.6	38	Cleveland	4.3	63	Clark	5.3
13	Scott	3.6	38	Dallas	4.3	63	Lee	5.3
13	Sebastian	3.6	38	Fulton	4.3	63	Lincoln	5.3
16	Boone	3.7	38	Logan	4.3	66	Izard	5.4
16	Crawford	3.7	38	Ouachita	4.3	67	Johnson	5.6
16	Pulaski	3.7	38	Pike	4.3	67	Lafayette	5.6
19	Calhoun	3.8	38	Pope	4.3	67	Mississippi	5.6
19	Howard	3.8	45	Cleburne	4.4	67	Union	5.6
19	Woodruff	3.8	45	Randolph	4.4	71	Desha	5.9
22	Greene	3.9	45	Stone	4.4	72	Ashley	6.0
22	Newton	3.9	45	Yell	4.4	73	Phillips	6.1
24	Cross	4.0	49	Clay	4.5	73	St. Francis	6.1
24	Lawrence	4.0	49	Drew	4.5	75	Chicot	6.3

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LWDA	June 2024				May 2024				June 2023			
	CLF	Emp	Unemp	Rate	CLF	Emp	Unemp	Rate	CLF	Emp	Unemp	Rate
Central (minus LR)	272,324	263,239	9,085	3.3	266,232	258,332	7,900	3.0	262,311	254,212	8,099	3.1
City of Little Rock	104,008	100,135	3,873	3.7	101,842	98,345	3,497	3.4	99,993	96,669	3,324	3.3
Eastern	43,156	40,951	2,205	5.1	42,380	40,494	1,886	4.5	43,183	41,157	2,026	4.7
North Central	96,429	92,426	4,003	4.2	94,599	91,195	3,404	3.6	94,684	90,791	3,893	4.1
Northeast	127,519	122,578	4,941	3.9	124,851	120,605	4,246	3.4	124,396	119,861	4,535	3.6
Northwest	371,569	360,613	10,956	2.9	365,277	355,901	9,376	2.6	360,091	350,275	9,816	2.7
Southeast	77,792	74,136	3,656	4.7	76,062	72,846	3,216	4.2	76,609	73,284	3,325	4.3
Southwest	88,632	84,655	3,977	4.5	87,101	83,615	3,486	4.0	88,759	85,083	3,676	4.1
West Central	132,616	126,762	5,854	4.4	130,368	125,450	4,918	3.8	131,601	126,137	5,464	4.2
Western	114,136	109,851	4,285	3.8	111,830	108,071	3,759	3.4	111,877	107,778	4,099	3.7

