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**BUSH ECONOMIC RECORD:
ONLY ADMINISTRATION IN 70 YEARS WITH
DECLINE IN PRIVATE SECTOR JOBS**

Dear Colleague:

I want to call your attention to the attached chart, prepared by the Joint Economic Committee (JEC) Democrats, showing that the Bush Administration is the first since Herbert Hoover's to have a decline in private sector job growth. As the chart shows, private sector job growth has declined on average by 1.2 percent annually during the Bush Administration.

All of the JEC Democrats' "Bush Economic Record" charts can be viewed at <http://jec.senate.gov/democrats/ber.htm>. The charts in the series are downloadable for use on the floor or in newsletters and they are updated as new data become available.

These charts are a stunning illustration of how significantly the economic health of the nation has deteriorated since President Bush took office, and how the Administration's economic record is – by many measures – far worse than any other president in the post-World War II era.

Please take the time to view the charts and to understand how poorly the economy has performed on the Bush watch. If you have questions about these charts, please talk to me or have your staff contact JEC economist Chad Stone at Chad.Stone@jec1.senate.gov or 202-224-0372.

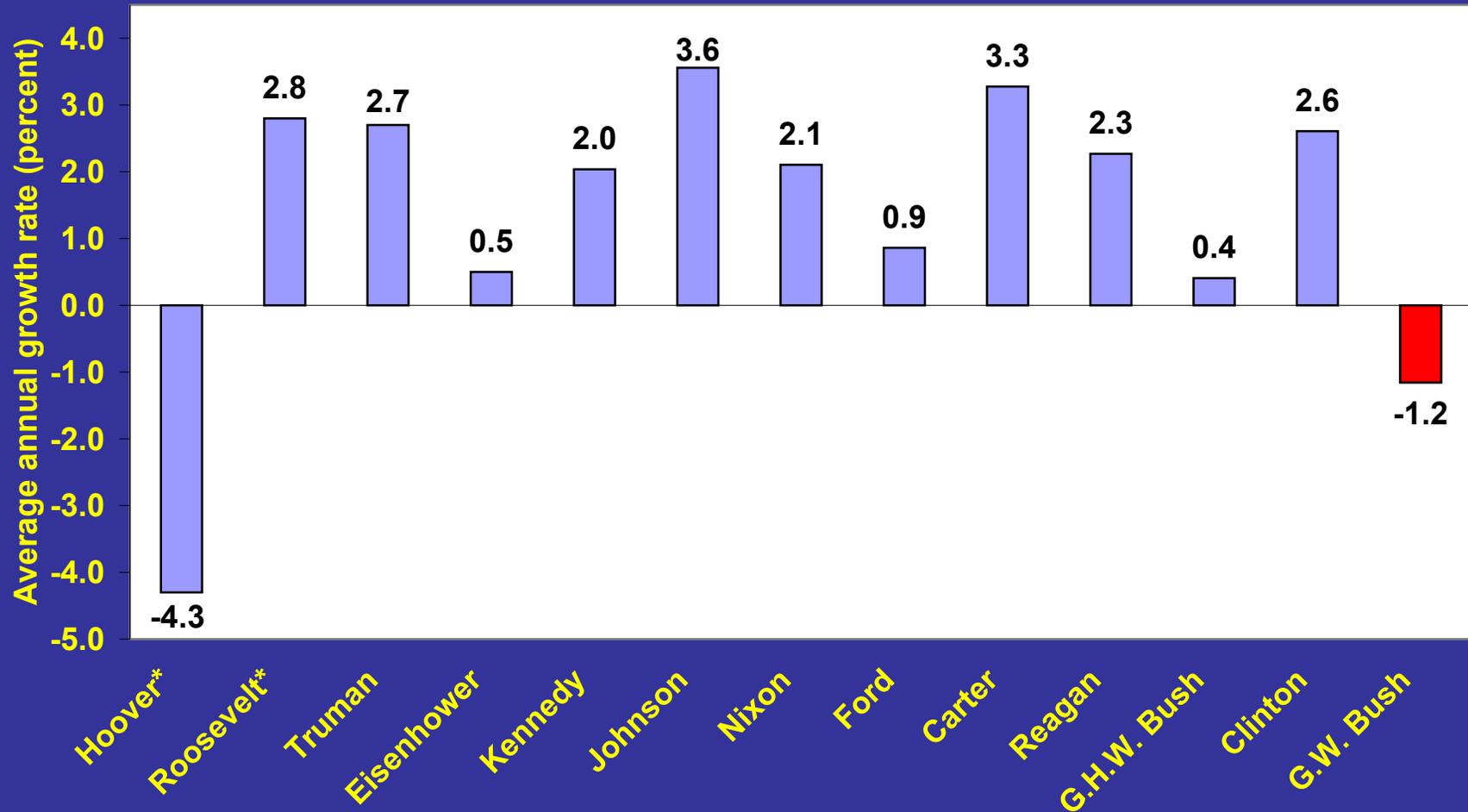
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Bush Economic Record

Only Administration in 70 Years with Decline in Private Sector Jobs

Change in Private Nonfarm Employment



Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor.