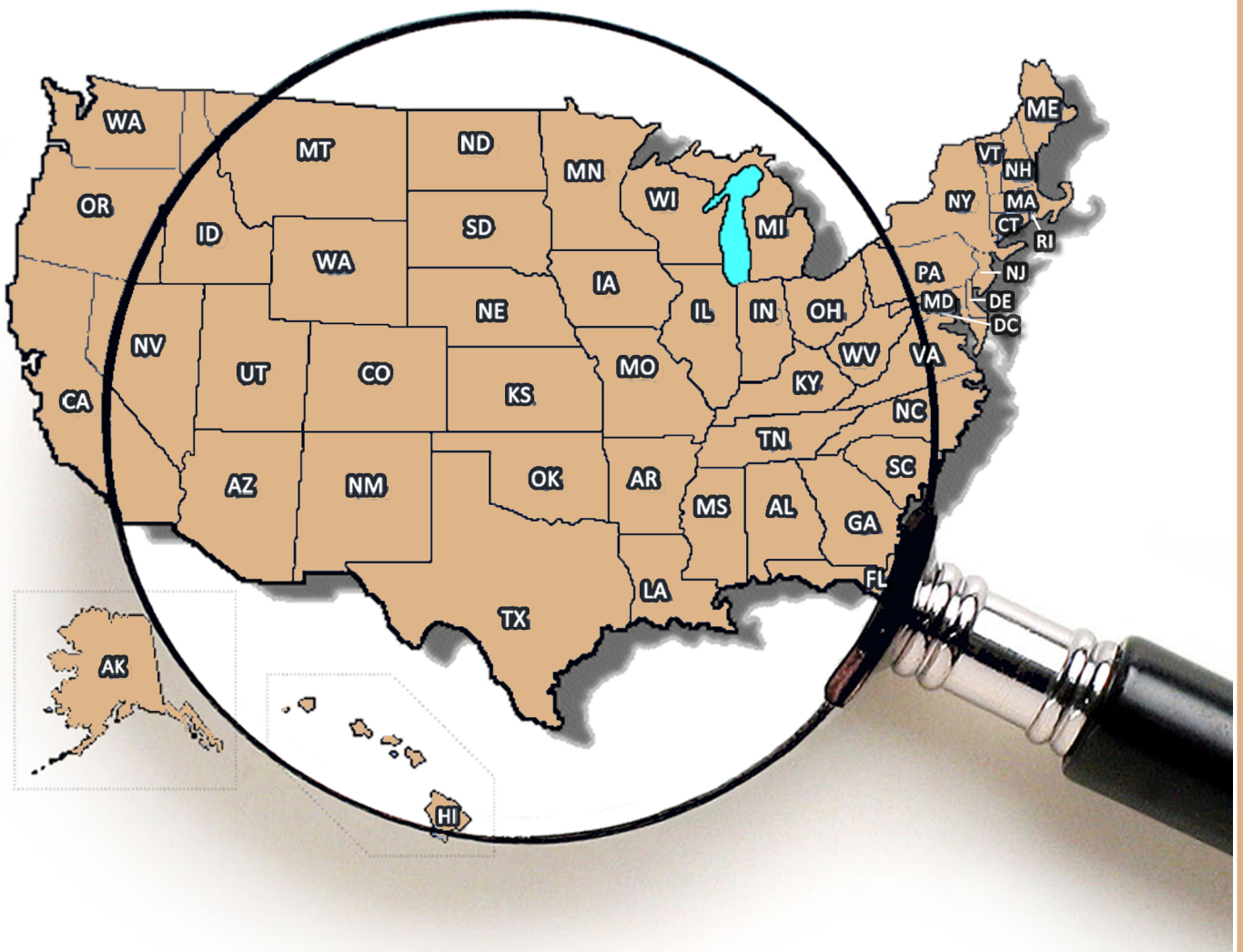


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## Executive Summary

This is the 1st edition of state-by-state snapshots issued by the Joint Economic Committee Democratic staff during the 113th Congress and includes state-level data through December 2012.

This month's report shows that one-half of the states and the District of Columbia gained private-sector jobs in December. Nationally, private-sector job gains totaled 168,000 during the month. Retail sales increased by 0.5 percent during December, following a 0.4 percent gain in November. Manufacturing activity, as measured by the ISM Manufacturing Index, expanded in December after contracting in November. According to the Federal Reserve, manufacturing output increased by 0.8 percent during the month, following a 1.3 percent increase in November.

Against this backdrop, this report highlights progress at the state level in creating private-sector jobs and reducing unemployment and tracks the employment changes in key sectors, including manufacturing and professional and business services.

Report highlights include:

- Twenty-five states and the District of Columbia added private-sector jobs in December. New York (34,300) and New Jersey (30,900) had the largest private-sector gains, as the two states rebounded from superstorm Sandy, which hit in late October. In the past 12 months, 47 states and the District of Columbia gained private-sector jobs, with California and Texas recording the largest gains, each adding 257,400 positions. New York recorded the next largest gain – 123,200 private-sector jobs. Only Maine, West Virginia and Wyoming lost private-sector positions during the last year. From December 2011 to December 2012, North Dakota (4.8 percent), Utah (3.7 percent) and Texas (2.9 percent) had the largest percentage gains in private-sector employment. During this period, just over 1.9 million private-sector positions were added nationally.
- Five states had statistically significant decreases in their unemployment rate during December. Nevada (-0.6 percentage point) had the largest decline, followed by Alabama (-0.4 percentage point), Connecticut (-0.3 percentage point), Idaho (-0.2 percentage point) and Vermont (-0.1 percentage point). In the past 12 months, 19 states and the District of Columbia reported statistically significant decreases in the unemployment rate, with Nevada (-2.8 percentage points), Florida (-1.9 percentage points) and Mississippi (-1.8 percentage point) recording the largest declines. Nevada and Rhode Island (10.2 percent each) had the highest unemployment rate in December. North Dakota again had the lowest unemployment rate (3.2 percent). The national unemployment rate during the month was 7.8 percent, down from 8.5 percent a year earlier.

- Manufacturing employment expanded in 26 states in December. Missouri added 3,900 manufacturing jobs, and New Jersey and Texas each saw a gain of 3,000 positions. In the past 12 months, 31 states added manufacturing positions, with the largest gains in the Midwest. Indiana (17,500), Michigan (17,000), Illinois (16,500) and Ohio (15,300) recorded the biggest gains in the past year. Overall, 180,000 manufacturing positions have been added across the country in the last 12 months.
- Twenty-five states and the District of Columbia added jobs in the professional and business services sector in December. Texas (13,300), Georgia (6,100) and New York (5,600) posted the largest increases. In the past year, 39 states have added professional and business services jobs, with New York, California and Texas recording the largest gains. During this period, 472,000 jobs were added in the professional and business services sector.
- Twenty-nine states added jobs in the leisure and hospitality sector during December. New York (9,200), Georgia (5,900) and Virginia (5,200) saw the largest gains. In the past 12 months, 46 states added leisure and hospitality jobs. During this time, leisure and hospitality employment increased by 320,000 positions.

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## Economic Overview And Outlook: Alabama

### JOBS

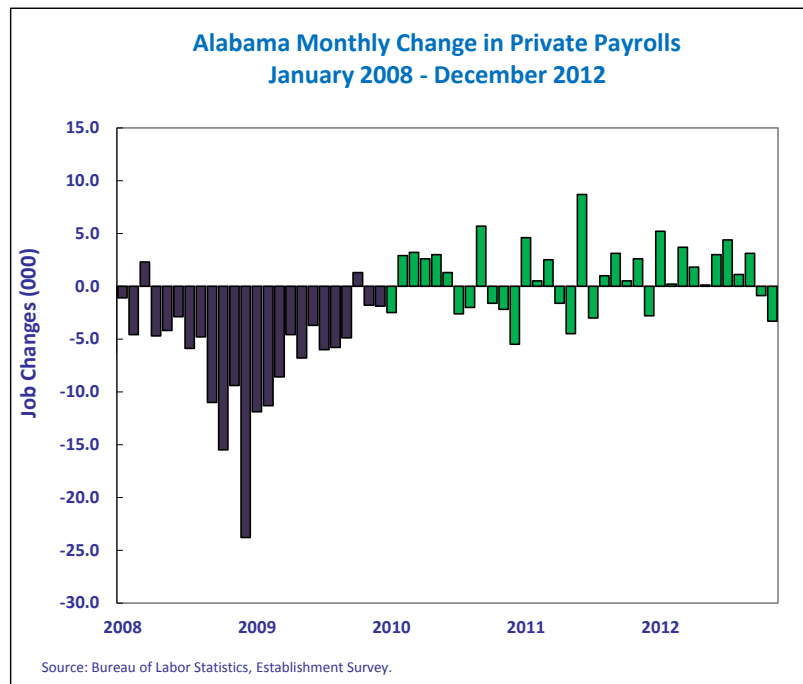
- Including December, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 34 consecutive months.
- In Alabama, private sector employment fell by 9.5 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 2.4 percent.
- In Alabama, employees in the construction, information services, and professional and business services sectors faced the largest job losses (as a percent of employment within an industry) over the recession. Since the beginning of 2010, the following sectors in Alabama have experienced the greatest employment increases: professional and business services; education and health services; and mining.\*
- As the economy continues its emergence from the Great Recession, service-providing industries are projected to add the most jobs between 2010 and 2020. The largest gains over this period are expected to occur in the healthcare and social assistance, professional and business services, and retail trade sectors. Job gains in the goods-producing sector of the economy will be led by the construction and mining industries while the number of manufacturing jobs is expected to fall.

### EMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Alabama was 7.1 percent in December 2012, up 3.4 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 10.6 percent in December 2009.
- 153,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Alabama during December 2012.
- In Alabama, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 21,579 during December, down 6.1 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 51,448 in December 2008, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 58.1 percent.

### EARNINGS

- Between the start of the recession in the 4th quarter of 2007 and the 3rd quarter of 2009, inflation-adjusted total personal income in the United States declined 4.6 percent. Most recently, in the 3rd quarter of 2012, total personal income is 1.8 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.



- Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Alabama was \$30,898.60 in the 3rd quarter of 2012, up from \$30,616.90 in the 3rd quarter of 2010.

### HOUSING

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 17.5 percent over 21 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2012 and the third quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 1.2 percent.
- In Alabama, home prices fell by 9.1 percent over 9 quarters from their peak in the first quarter of 2009. Since the second quarter of 2011, home prices in Alabama have risen by 0.6 percent.
- As of the 3rd quarter of 2012, 1.9 percent of all mortgages, including 5.6 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Alabama.
- Housing starts in Alabama totaled 12,560 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in November 2012, an increase of 26.7 percent from October.
- Within the South census region, which includes Alabama, sales of new single-family homes totaled 218,000 units in November 2012, an increase of 21.1 percent from October. Sales of existing single-family homes increased 6.1 percent to 1,750,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from October to November 2012.

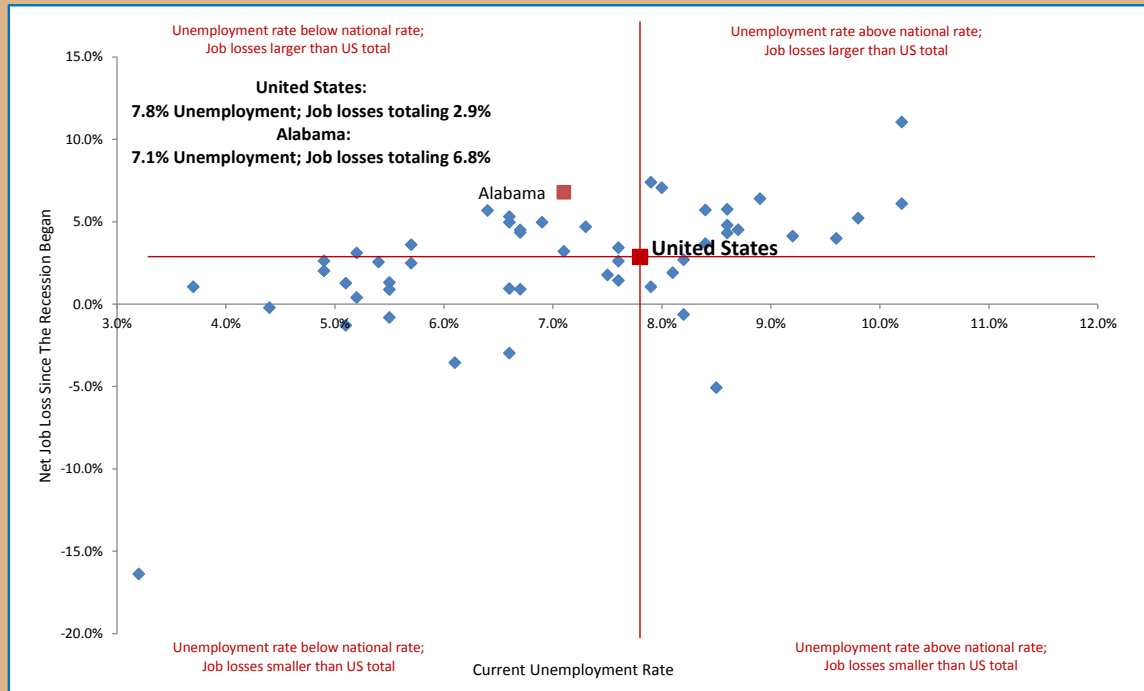
\* For Alabama-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the Alabama office: <http://www2.dir.state.al.us/>

## How Does Alabama Compare To Other States?

Workers across the country were hard hit during the Great Recession. Although labor markets in many states have started recovering, employment in most states still remains below pre-recession levels. The chart below allows you to compare Alabama to other states using two metrics.

The current unemployment rate (measured along the horizontal axis) serves as a gauge of current labor market conditions faced by residents, while the proportion of jobs lost within Alabama since the start of the recession (shown along the vertical axis) measures the toll the recession took on the job supply in Alabama.

States falling in the upper right quadrant have lost a disproportionate share of jobs, relative to the total United States, and have unemployment rates higher than the national unemployment rate. States falling in the lower left quadrant are experiencing lower unemployment rates and smaller job losses than the national average.



### STATE QUICK FACTS

		Alabama	United States
<b>Unemployment Rates</b> .....	December 2009	10.6%	9.9%
	December 2010	9.3%	9.3%
	December 2011	8.0%	8.5%
	December 2012	7.1%	7.8%
<b>Percent of Population Who Are Veterans</b> .....	2011	10.3%	9.4%
<b>All Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	6.0%	8.3%
<b>Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	11.0%	12.1%
<b>Median Household Income</b> .....	2007	\$ 45,789	\$ 54,489
	(2011 \$) 2011	\$ 42,590	\$ 50,054
<b>Poverty Rate</b> .....	2007	14.5%	12.5%
	2011	15.4%	15.0%
<b>No Health Insurance</b> .....	2007	11.7%	14.7%
	2011	13.0%	15.7%



## Economic Overview And Outlook: Alaska

### JOBS

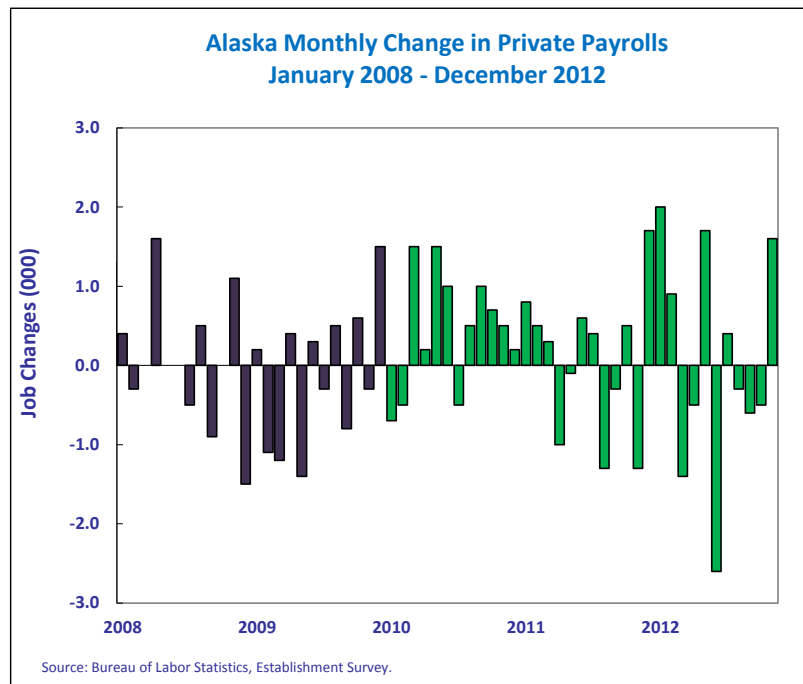
- Including December, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 34 consecutive months.
- In Alaska, private sector employment fell by 0.8 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 3.2 percent.
- In Alaska, employees in the construction, manufacturing, and information services sectors faced the largest job losses (as a percent of employment within an industry) over the recession. Since the beginning of 2010, the following sectors in Alaska have experienced the greatest employment increases: mining; education and health services; and professional and business services.\*
- As the economy continues its emergence from the Great Recession, service-providing industries are projected to add the most jobs between 2010 and 2020. The largest gains over this period are expected to occur in the healthcare and social assistance, professional and business services, and retail trade sectors. Job gains in the goods-producing sector of the economy will be led by the construction and mining industries while the number of manufacturing jobs is expected to fall.

### EMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Alaska was 6.6 percent in December 2012, up 0.4 percentage point from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 8.2 percent in January 2010.
- 24,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Alaska during December 2012.
- In Alaska, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 7,743 during December, up 12.5 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 9,245 in April 2010, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 16.2 percent.

### EARNINGS

- Between the start of the recession in the 4th quarter of 2007 and the 3rd quarter of 2009, inflation-adjusted total personal income in the United States declined 4.6 percent. Most recently, in the 3rd quarter of 2012, total personal income is 1.8 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.



- Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Alaska was \$40,034.20 in the 3rd quarter of 2012, up from \$39,470.10 in the 3rd quarter of 2010.

### HOUSING

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 17.5 percent over 21 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2012 and the third quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 1.2 percent.
- In Alaska, home prices fell by 3.1 percent over 11 quarters from their peak in the second quarter of 2007. Since the first quarter of 2010, home prices in Alaska have risen by 2.9 percent.
- As of the 3rd quarter of 2012, 1.2 percent of all mortgages, including 3.2 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Alaska.
- Housing starts in Alaska totaled 830 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in November 2012, a decrease of 38.5 percent from October.
- Within the West census region, which includes Alaska, sales of new single-family homes totaled 83,000 units in November 2012, a decrease of 17.8 percent from October. Sales of existing single-family homes increased 1.9 percent to 1,070,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from October to November 2012.

\* For Alaska-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the Alaska office: <http://almis.labor.state.ak.us/>

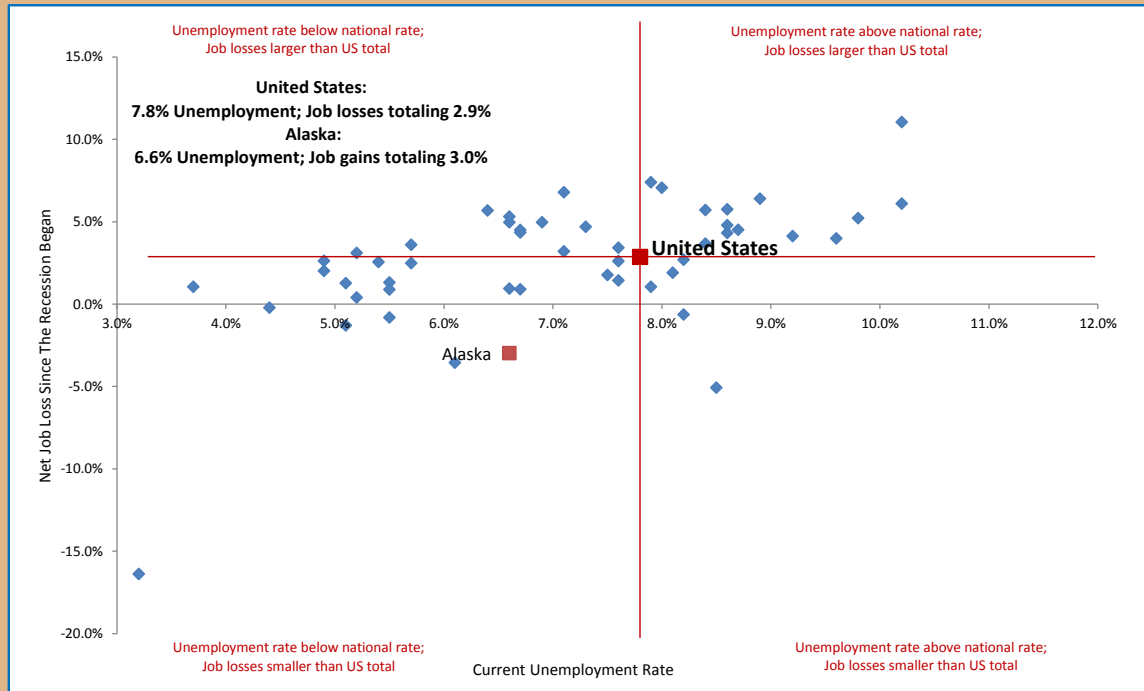


## How Does Alaska Compare To Other States?

Workers across the country were hard hit during the Great Recession. Although labor markets in many states have started recovering, employment in most states still remains below pre-recession levels. The chart below allows you to compare Alaska to other states using two metrics.

The current unemployment rate (measured along the horizontal axis) serves as a gauge of current labor market conditions faced by residents, while the proportion of jobs lost within Alaska since the start of the recession (shown along the vertical axis) measures the toll the recession took on the job supply in Alaska.

States falling in the upper right quadrant have lost a disproportionate share of jobs, relative to the total United States, and have unemployment rates higher than the national unemployment rate. States falling in the lower left quadrant are experiencing lower unemployment rates and smaller job losses than the national average.



### STATE QUICK FACTS

		<b>Alaska</b>	<b>United States</b>
<b>Unemployment Rates</b> .....	December 2009	8.2%	9.9%
	December 2010	7.9%	9.3%
	December 2011	7.4%	8.5%
	December 2012	6.6%	7.8%
<b>Percent of Population Who Are Veterans</b> .....	2011	14.8%	9.4%
<b>All Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	6.1%	8.3%
<b>Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	2.9%	12.1%
<b>Median Household Income</b> .....	2007	\$ 68,330	\$ 54,489
	(2011 \$) 2011	\$ 57,431	\$ 50,054
<b>Poverty Rate</b> .....	2007	7.6%	12.5%
	2011	11.7%	15.0%
<b>No Health Insurance</b> .....	2007	17.6%	14.7%
	2011	18.2%	15.7%



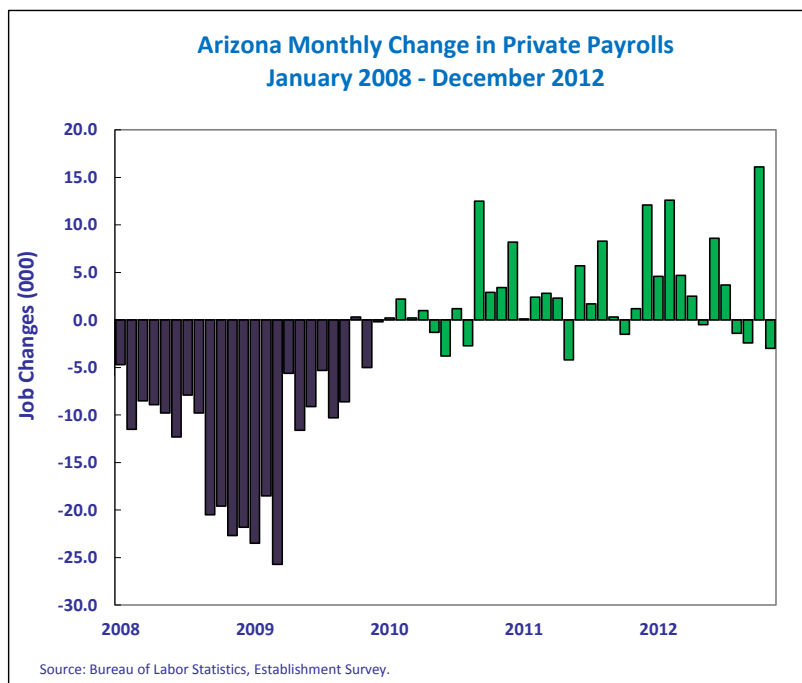
## Economic Overview And Outlook: Arizona

### JOBS

- Including December, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 34 consecutive months.
- In Arizona, private sector employment fell by 12.5 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 5.1 percent.
- In Arizona, employees in the construction, mining, and manufacturing sectors faced the largest job losses (as a percent of employment within an industry) over the recession. Since the beginning of 2010, the following sectors in Arizona have experienced the greatest employment increases: mining; education and health services; and leisure and hospitality.\*
- As the economy continues its emergence from the Great Recession, service-providing industries are projected to add the most jobs between 2010 and 2020. The largest gains over this period are expected to occur in the healthcare and social assistance, professional and business services, and retail trade sectors. Job gains in the goods-producing sector of the economy will be led by the construction and mining industries while the number of manufacturing jobs is expected to fall.

### EMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Arizona was 7.9 percent in December 2012, up 3.8 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 10.8 percent in March 2010.
- 238,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Arizona during December 2012.
- In Arizona, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 20,037 during December, down 7.6 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 42,095 in February 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 52.4 percent.



### EARNINGS

- Between the start of the recession in the 4th quarter of 2007 and the 3rd quarter of 2009, inflation-adjusted total personal income in the United States declined 4.6 percent. Most recently, in the 3rd quarter of 2012, total personal income is 1.8 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.
- Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Arizona was \$31,112.50 in the 3rd quarter of 2012, up from \$30,465.90 in the 3rd quarter of 2010.

### HOUSING

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 17.5 percent over 21 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2012 and the third quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 1.2 percent.
- In Arizona, home prices fell by 45.3 percent over 18 quarters from their peak in the fourth quarter of 2006. Since the second quarter of 2011, home prices in Arizona have risen by 7.4 percent.
- As of the 3rd quarter of 2012, 2.5 percent of all mortgages, including 6.2 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Arizona.
- Housing starts in Arizona totaled 18,050 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in November 2012, a decrease of 24.9 percent from October.
- Within the West census region, which includes Arizona, sales of new single-family homes totaled 83,000 units in November 2012, a decrease of 17.8 percent from October. Sales of existing single-family homes increased 1.9 percent to 1,070,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from October to November 2012.

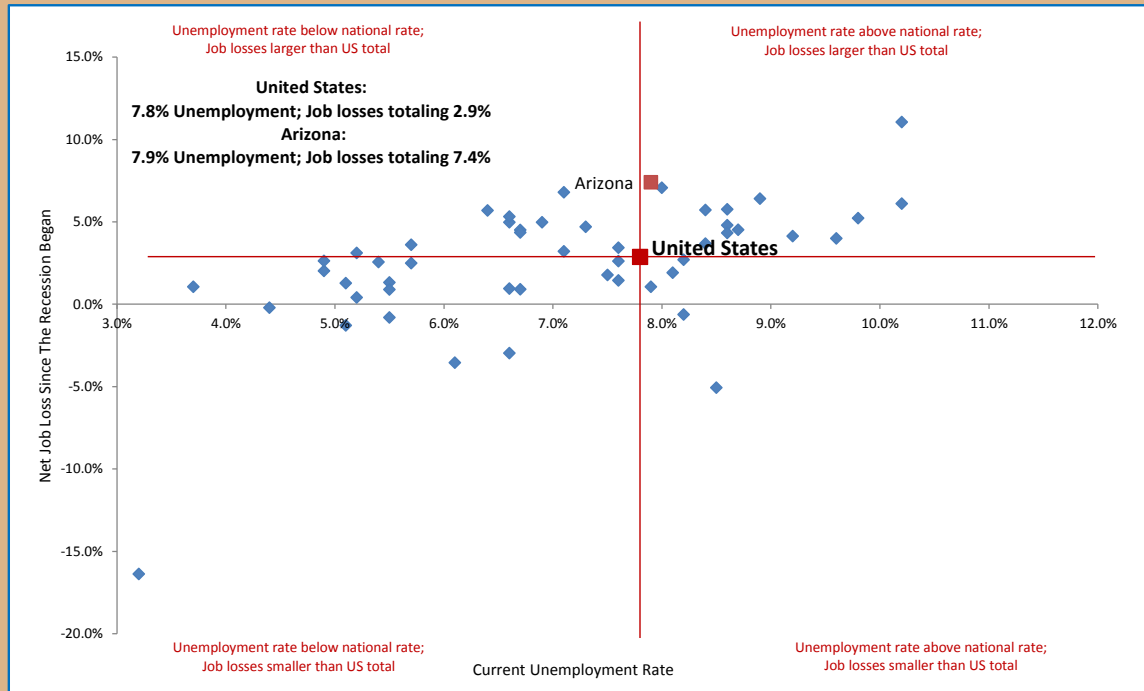
\* For Arizona-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the Arizona office: <http://www.workforce.az.gov/>

## How Does Arizona Compare To Other States?

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The current unemployment rate (measured along the horizontal axis) serves as a gauge of current labor market conditions faced by residents, while the proportion of jobs lost within Arizona since the start of the recession (shown along the vertical axis) measures the toll the recession took on the job supply in Arizona.

States falling in the upper right quadrant have lost a disproportionate share of jobs, relative to the total United States, and have unemployment rates higher than the national unemployment rate. States falling in the lower left quadrant are experiencing lower unemployment rates and smaller job losses than the national average.



### STATE QUICK FACTS

		Arizona	United States
<b>Unemployment Rates</b> .....	December 2009	10.8%	9.9%
	December 2010	10.0%	9.3%
	December 2011	9.0%	8.5%
	December 2012	7.9%	7.8%
<b>Percent of Population Who Are Veterans</b> .....	2011	11.4%	9.4%
<b>All Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	7.5%	8.3%
<b>Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	7.6%	12.1%
<b>Median Household Income</b> .....	2007	\$ 51,215	\$ 54,489
	(2011 \$)	2011	\$ 48,621
<b>Poverty Rate</b> .....	2007	14.3%	12.5%
	2011	17.2%	15.0%
<b>No Health Insurance</b> .....	2007	17.8%	14.7%
	2011	17.3%	15.7%

## Economic Overview And Outlook: Arkansas

### JOBS

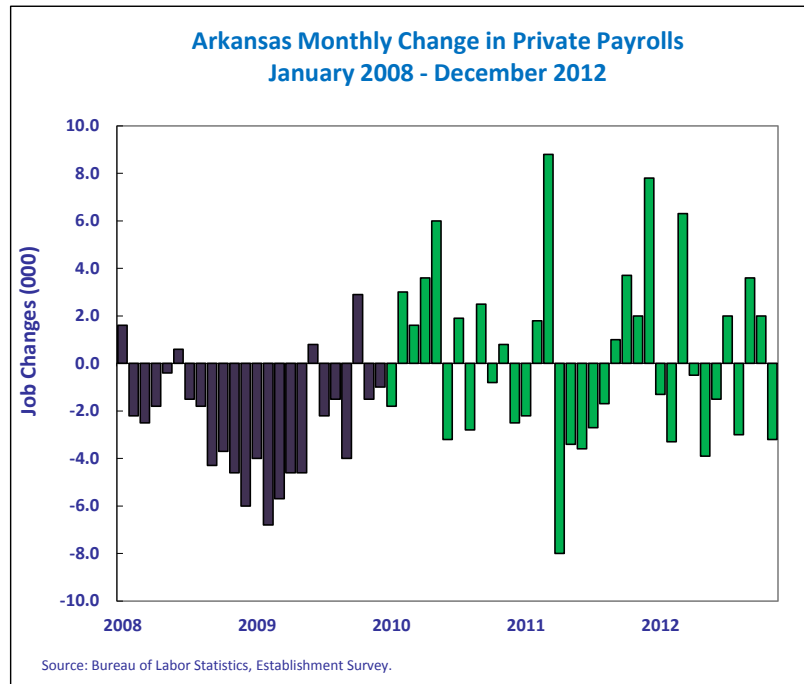
- Including December, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 34 consecutive months.
- In Arkansas, private sector employment fell by 6.1 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 1.2 percent.
- In Arkansas, employees in the manufacturing, construction, and information services sectors faced the largest job losses (as a percent of employment within an industry) over the recession. Since the beginning of 2010, the following sectors in Arkansas have experienced the greatest employment increases: mining; leisure and hospitality; and education and health services.\*
- As the economy continues its emergence from the Great Recession, service-providing industries are projected to add the most jobs between 2010 and 2020. The largest gains over this period are expected to occur in the healthcare and social assistance, professional and business services, and retail trade sectors. Job gains in the goods-producing sector of the economy will be led by the construction and mining industries while the number of manufacturing jobs is expected to fall.

### EMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Arkansas was 7.1 percent in December 2012, up 2.0 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 8.2 percent in July 2011.
- 96,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Arkansas during December 2012.
- In Arkansas, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 15,313 during December, down 1.5 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 37,251 in February 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 58.9 percent.

### EARNINGS

- Between the start of the recession in the 4th quarter of 2007 and the 3rd quarter of 2009, inflation-adjusted total personal income in the United States declined 4.6 percent. Most recently, in the 3rd quarter of 2012, total personal income is 1.8 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.



- Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Arkansas was \$30,070.20 in the 3rd quarter of 2012, up from \$29,343.70 in the 3rd quarter of 2010.

### HOUSING

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 17.5 percent over 21 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2012 and the third quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 1.2 percent.
- In Arkansas, home prices fell by 5.9 percent over 9 quarters from their peak in the first quarter of 2009. Since the second quarter of 2011, home prices in Arkansas have risen by 1.0 percent.
- As of the 3rd quarter of 2012, 2.2 percent of all mortgages, including 7.3 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Arkansas.
- Housing starts in Arkansas totaled 5,640 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in November 2012, a decrease of 13.1 percent from October.
- Within the South census region, which includes Arkansas, sales of new single-family homes totaled 218,000 units in November 2012, an increase of 21.1 percent from October. Sales of existing single-family homes increased 6.1 percent to 1,750,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from October to November 2012.

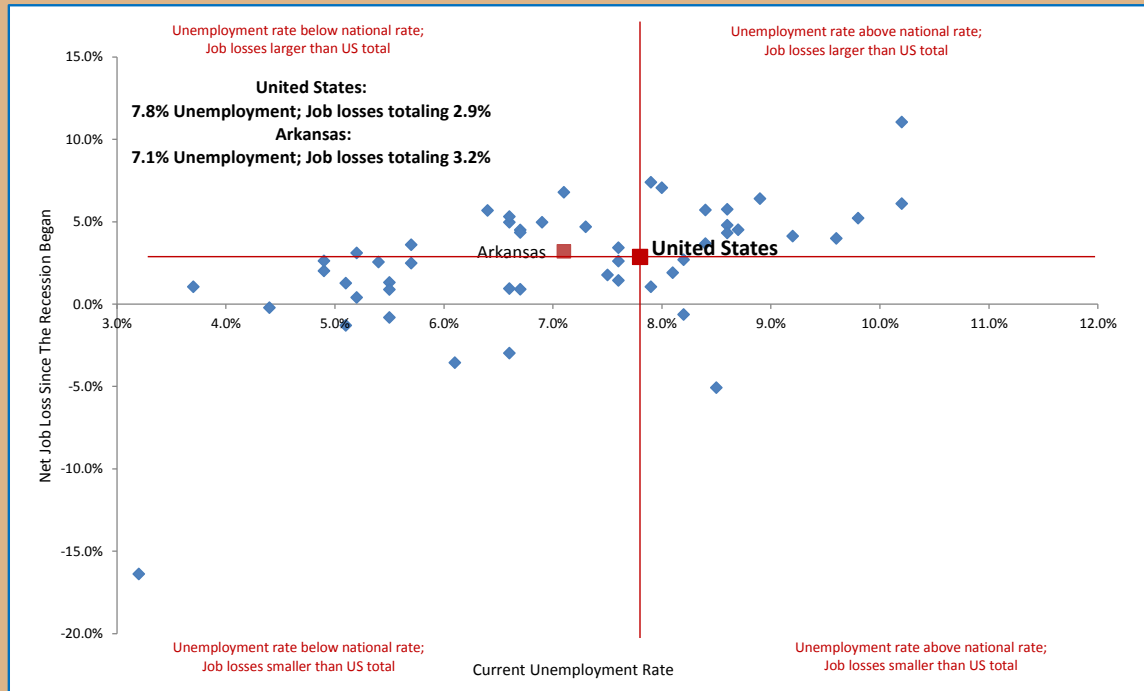
\* For Arkansas-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the Arkansas office: <http://www.discoverarkansas.net/>

## How Does Arkansas Compare To Other States?

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The current unemployment rate (measured along the horizontal axis) serves as a gauge of current labor market conditions faced by residents, while the proportion of jobs lost within Arkansas since the start of the recession (shown along the vertical axis) measures the toll the recession took on the job supply in Arkansas.

States falling in the upper right quadrant have lost a disproportionate share of jobs, relative to the total United States, and have unemployment rates higher than the national unemployment rate. States falling in the lower left quadrant are experiencing lower unemployment rates and smaller job losses than the national average.



### STATE QUICK FACTS

		Arkansas	United States
<b>Unemployment Rates</b> .....	December 2009	7.9%	9.9%
	December 2010	8.1%	9.3%
	December 2011	7.8%	8.5%
	December 2012	7.1%	7.8%
<b>Percent of Population Who Are Veterans</b> .....	2011	10.5%	9.4%
<b>All Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	8.5%	8.3%
<b>Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	4.3%	12.1%
<b>Median Household Income</b> .....	2007	\$ 44,252	\$ 54,489
	(2011 \$)	2011	\$ 41,302
<b>Poverty Rate</b> .....	2007	13.8%	12.5%
	2011	18.7%	15.0%
<b>No Health Insurance</b> .....	2007	15.7%	14.7%
	2011	17.5%	15.7%



## Economic Overview And Outlook: California

### JOBS

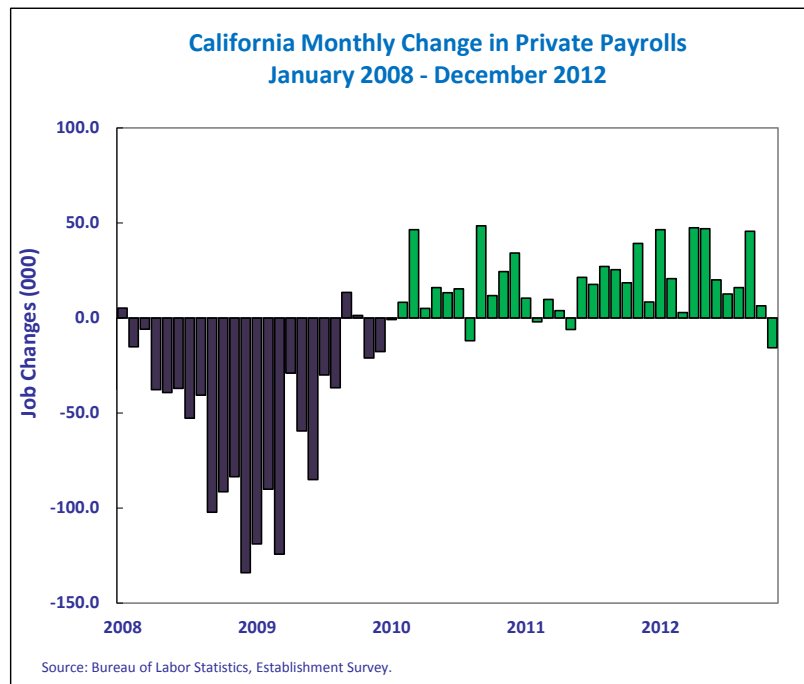
- Including December, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 34 consecutive months.
- In California, private sector employment fell by 9.8 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 5.6 percent.
- In California, employees in the construction, manufacturing, and financial activities sectors faced the largest job losses (as a percent of employment within an industry) over the recession. Since the beginning of 2010, the following sectors in California have experienced the greatest employment increases: mining; professional and business services; and leisure and hospitality.\*
- As the economy continues its emergence from the Great Recession, service-providing industries are projected to add the most jobs between 2010 and 2020. The largest gains over this period are expected to occur in the healthcare and social assistance, professional and business services, and retail trade sectors. Job gains in the goods-producing sector of the economy will be led by the construction and mining industries while the number of manufacturing jobs is expected to fall.

### EMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in California was 9.8 percent in December 2012, up 4.0 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 12.4 percent in October 2010.
- 1,805,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in California during December 2012.
- In California, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 236,389 during December, down 0.1 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 344,438 in January 2010, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 31.4 percent.

### EARNINGS

- Between the start of the recession in the 4th quarter of 2007 and the 3rd quarter of 2009, inflation-adjusted total personal income in the United States declined 4.6 percent. Most recently, in the 3rd quarter of 2012, total personal income is 1.8 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.



- Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in California was \$38,656.90 in the 3rd quarter of 2012, up from \$37,708.80 in the 3rd quarter of 2010.

### HOUSING

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 17.5 percent over 21 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2012 and the third quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 1.2 percent.
- In California, home prices fell by 38.9 percent over 22 quarters from their peak in the third quarter of 2006. Since the first quarter of 2012, home prices in California have risen by 2.1 percent.
- As of the 3rd quarter of 2012, 2.6 percent of all mortgages, including 7.5 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in California.
- Housing starts in California totaled 49,030 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in November 2012, a decrease of 25.1 percent from October.
- Within the West census region, which includes California, sales of new single-family homes totaled 83,000 units in November 2012, a decrease of 17.8 percent from October. Sales of existing single-family homes increased 1.9 percent to 1,070,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from October to November 2012.

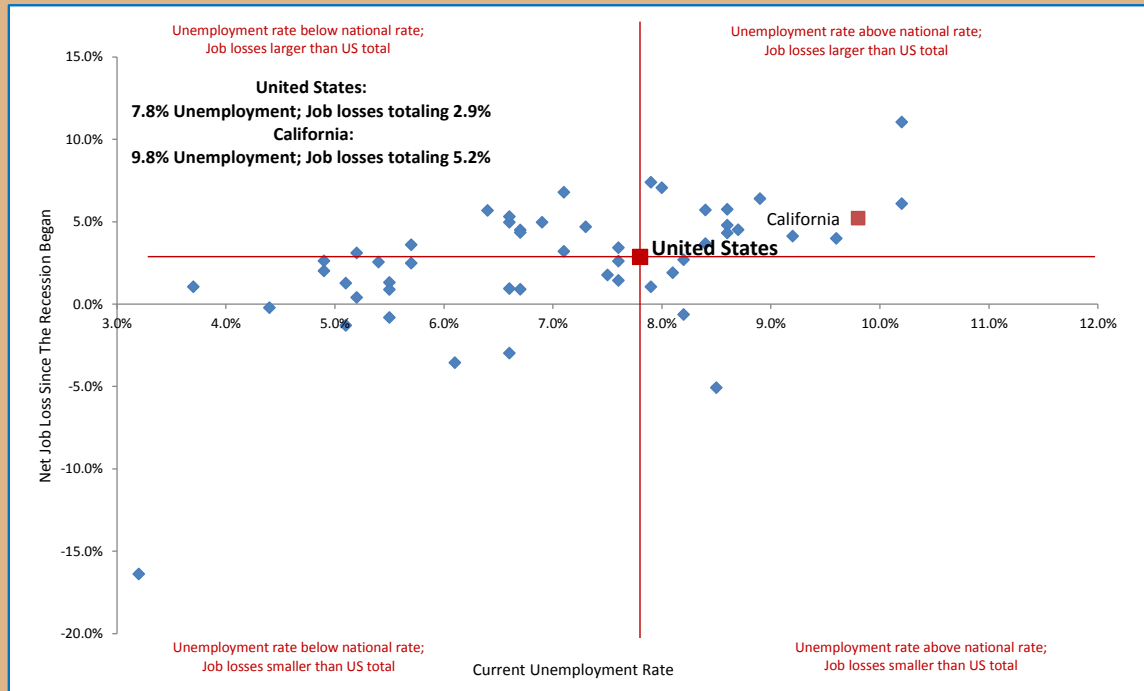
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### STATE QUICK FACTS

		California	United States
<b>Unemployment Rates</b> .....	December 2009	12.3%	9.9%
	December 2010	12.2%	9.3%
	December 2011	11.2%	8.5%
	December 2012	9.8%	7.8%
<b>Percent of Population Who Are Veterans</b> .....	2011	6.9%	9.4%
<b>All Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	11.0%	8.3%
<b>Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	20.0%	12.1%
<b>Median Household Income</b> .....	2007	\$ 60,456	\$ 54,489
	(2011 \$) 2011	\$ 53,367	\$ 50,054
<b>Poverty Rate</b> .....	2007	12.7%	12.5%
	2011	16.9%	15.0%
<b>No Health Insurance</b> .....	2007	17.5%	14.7%
	2011	19.7%	15.7%



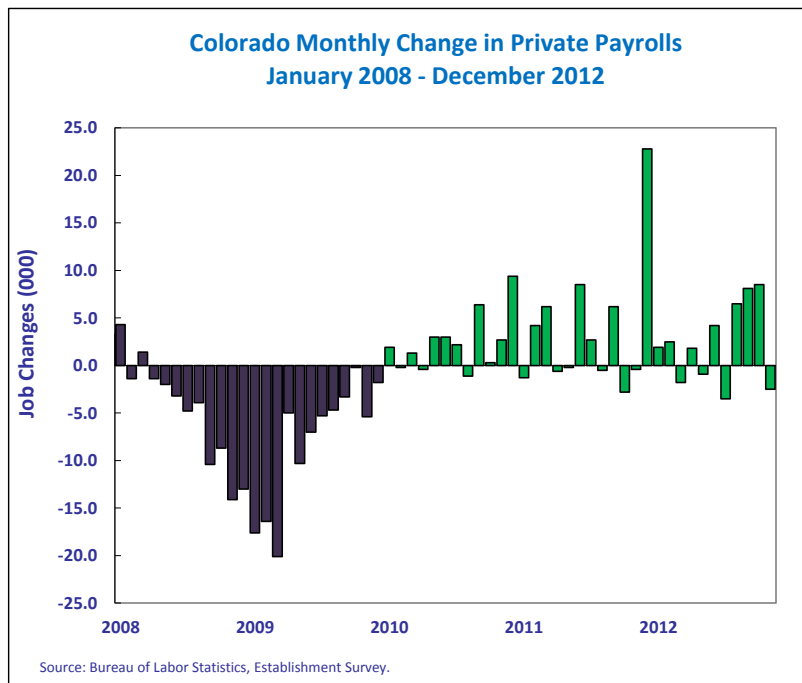
## Economic Overview And Outlook: Colorado

### JOBS

- Including December, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 34 consecutive months.
- In Colorado, private sector employment fell by 7.7 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 5.3 percent.
- In Colorado, employees in the construction, manufacturing, and mining sectors faced the largest job losses (as a percent of employment within an industry) over the recession. Since the beginning of 2010, the following sectors in Colorado have experienced the greatest employment increases: mining; education and health services; and leisure and hospitality.\*
- As the economy continues its emergence from the Great Recession, service-providing industries are projected to add the most jobs between 2010 and 2020. The largest gains over this period are expected to occur in the healthcare and social assistance, professional and business services, and retail trade sectors. Job gains in the goods-producing sector of the economy will be led by the construction and mining industries while the number of manufacturing jobs is expected to fall.

### EMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Colorado was 7.6 percent in December 2012, up 3.5 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 9.0 percent in November 2010.
- 208,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Colorado during December 2012.
- In Colorado, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 14,029 during December, down 7.1 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 25,007 in March 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 43.9 percent.



### EARNINGS

- Between the start of the recession in the 4th quarter of 2007 and the 3rd quarter of 2009, inflation-adjusted total personal income in the United States declined 4.6 percent. Most recently, in the 3rd quarter of 2012, total personal income is 1.8 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.

- Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Colorado was \$38,954.40 in the 3rd quarter of 2012, up from \$37,943.10 in the 3rd quarter of 2010.

### HOUSING

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 17.5 percent over 21 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2012 and the third quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 1.2 percent.
- In Colorado, home prices fell by 8.9 percent over 13 quarters from their peak in the first quarter of 2008. Since the second quarter of 2011, home prices in Colorado have risen by 3.2 percent.
- As of the 3rd quarter of 2012, 1.7 percent of all mortgages, including 5.2 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Colorado.
- Housing starts in Colorado totaled 25,130 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in November 2012, an increase of 12.0 percent from October.
- Within the West census region, which includes Colorado, sales of new single-family homes totaled 83,000 units in November 2012, a decrease of 17.8 percent from October. Sales of existing single-family homes increased 1.9 percent to 1,070,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from October to November 2012.

\* For Colorado-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the Colorado office:  
<http://lmigateway.coworkforce.com/lmigateway/gsipub/index.asp?docid=363>

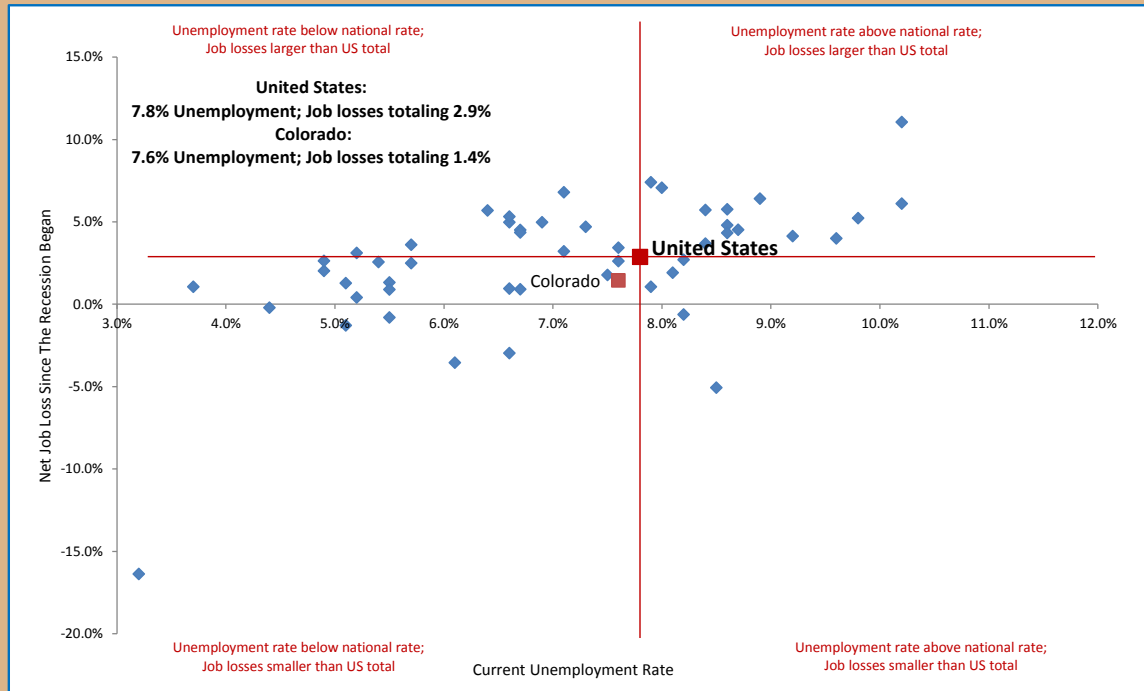


## How Does Colorado Compare To Other States?

Workers across the country were hard hit during the Great Recession. Although labor markets in many states have started recovering, employment in most states still remains below pre-recession levels. The chart below allows you to compare Colorado to other states using two metrics.

The current unemployment rate (measured along the horizontal axis) serves as a gauge of current labor market conditions faced by residents, while the proportion of jobs lost within Colorado since the start of the recession (shown along the vertical axis) measures the toll the recession took on the job supply in Colorado.

States falling in the upper right quadrant have lost a disproportionate share of jobs, relative to the total United States, and have unemployment rates higher than the national unemployment rate. States falling in the lower left quadrant are experiencing lower unemployment rates and smaller job losses than the national average.



### STATE QUICK FACTS

		Colorado	United States
<b>Unemployment Rates</b> .....	December 2009	8.6%	9.9%
	December 2010	8.9%	9.3%
	December 2011	7.9%	8.5%
	December 2012	7.6%	7.8%
<b>Percent of Population Who Are Veterans</b> .....	2011	10.2%	9.4%
<b>All Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	9.5%	8.3%
<b>Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	10.2%	12.1%
<b>Median Household Income</b> .....	2007	\$ 66,321	\$ 54,489
	(2011 \$) 2011	\$ 58,629	\$ 50,054
<b>Poverty Rate</b> .....	2007	9.8%	12.5%
	2011	13.2%	15.0%
<b>No Health Insurance</b> .....	2007	16.0%	14.7%
	2011	15.7%	15.7%

## Economic Overview And Outlook: Connecticut

### JOBS

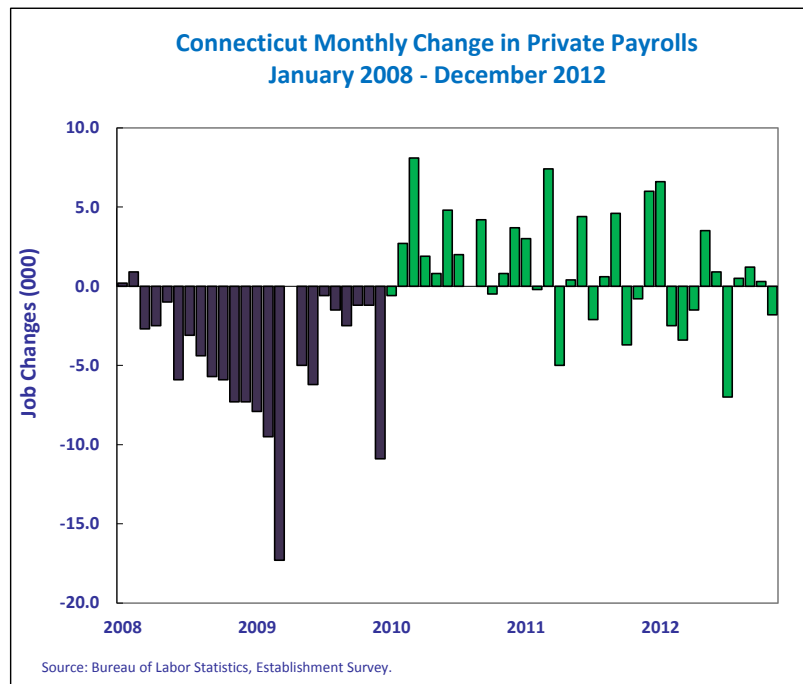
- Including December, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 34 consecutive months.
- In Connecticut, private sector employment fell by 7.5 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 3.0 percent.
- In Connecticut, employees in the construction, professional and business services, and manufacturing sectors faced the largest job losses (as a percent of employment within an industry) over the recession. Since the beginning of 2010, the following sectors in Connecticut have experienced the greatest employment increases: education and health services; leisure and hospitality; and professional and business services.\*
- As the economy continues its emergence from the Great Recession, service-providing industries are projected to add the most jobs between 2010 and 2020. The largest gains over this period are expected to occur in the healthcare and social assistance, professional and business services, and retail trade sectors. Job gains in the goods-producing sector of the economy will be led by the construction and mining industries while the number of manufacturing jobs is expected to fall.

### EMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Connecticut was 8.6 percent in December 2012, up 3.7 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 9.4 percent in December 2010.
- 160,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Connecticut during December 2012.
- In Connecticut, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 22,100 during December, down 33.0 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 38,259 in November 2011, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 42.2 percent.

### EARNINGS

- Between the start of the recession in the 4th quarter of 2007 and the 3rd quarter of 2009, inflation-adjusted total personal income in the United States declined 4.6 percent. Most recently, in the 3rd quarter of 2012, total personal income is 1.8 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.



- Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Connecticut was \$50,769.90 in the 3rd quarter of 2012, up from \$50,182.80 in the 3rd quarter of 2010.

### HOUSING

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 17.5 percent over 21 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2012 and the third quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 1.2 percent.
- In Connecticut, home prices fell by 17.5 percent over 21 quarters from their peak in the first quarter of 2007. Since the second quarter of 2012, home prices in Connecticut have risen by 0.2 percent.
- As of the 3rd quarter of 2012, 5.4 percent of all mortgages, including 17.2 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Connecticut.
- Housing starts in Connecticut totaled 4,440 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in November 2012, a decrease of 25.9 percent from October.
- Within the Northeast census region, which includes Connecticut, sales of new single-family homes totaled 27,000 units in November 2012, an increase of 12.5 percent from October. Sales of existing single-family homes increased 8.5 percent to 510,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from October to November 2012.

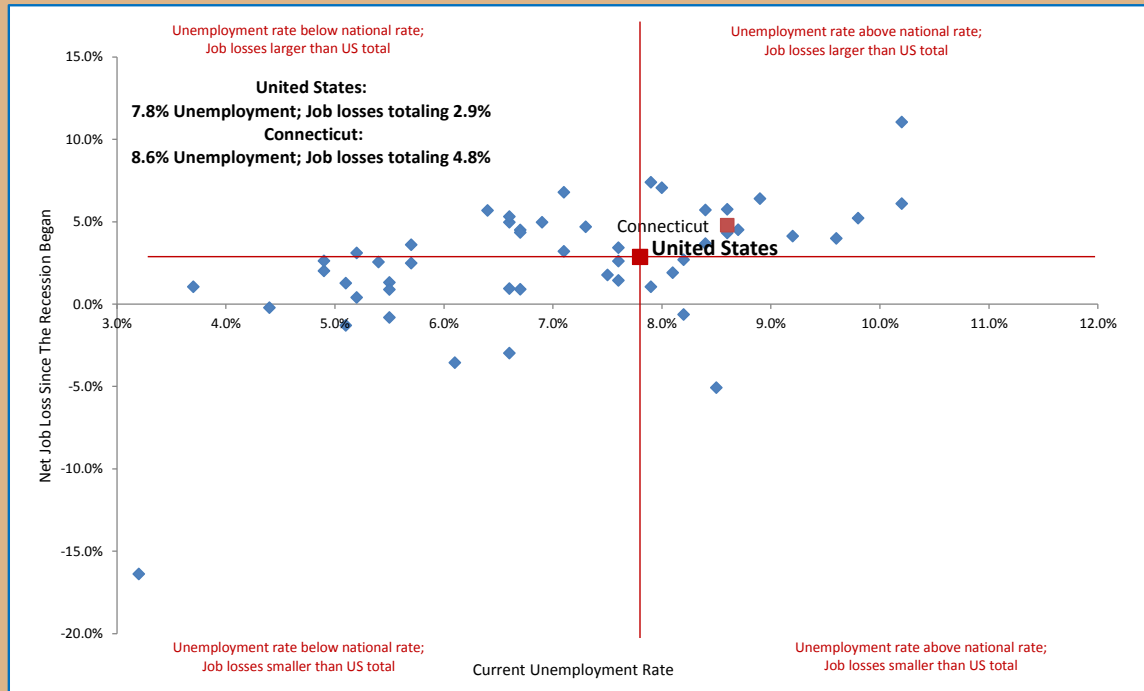
\* For Connecticut-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the Connecticut office: <http://www1.ctdol.state.ct.us/lmi/>

## How Does Connecticut Compare To Other States?

Workers across the country were hard hit during the Great Recession. Although labor markets in many states have started recovering, employment in most states still remains below pre-recession levels. The chart below allows you to compare Connecticut to other states using two metrics.

The current unemployment rate (measured along the horizontal axis) serves as a gauge of current labor market conditions faced by residents, while the proportion of jobs lost within Connecticut since the start of the recession (shown along the vertical axis) measures the toll the recession took on the job supply in Connecticut.

States falling in the upper right quadrant have lost a disproportionate share of jobs, relative to the total United States, and have unemployment rates higher than the national unemployment rate. States falling in the lower left quadrant are experiencing lower unemployment rates and smaller job losses than the national average.



### STATE QUICK FACTS

		Connecticut	United States
<b>Unemployment Rates</b> .....	December 2009	9.0%	9.9%
	December 2010	9.4%	9.3%
	December 2011	8.1%	8.5%
	December 2012	8.6%	7.8%
<b>Percent of Population Who Are Veterans</b> .....	2011	8.0%	9.4%
<b>All Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	9.4%	8.3%
<b>Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	8.7%	12.1%
<b>Median Household Income</b> .....	2007	\$ 69,576	\$ 54,489
	(2011 \$)	2011	\$ 65,415
<b>Poverty Rate</b> .....	2007	8.9%	12.5%
	2011	10.1%	15.0%
<b>No Health Insurance</b> .....	2007	8.6%	14.7%
	2011	8.6%	15.7%



## Economic Overview And Outlook: Delaware

### JOBS

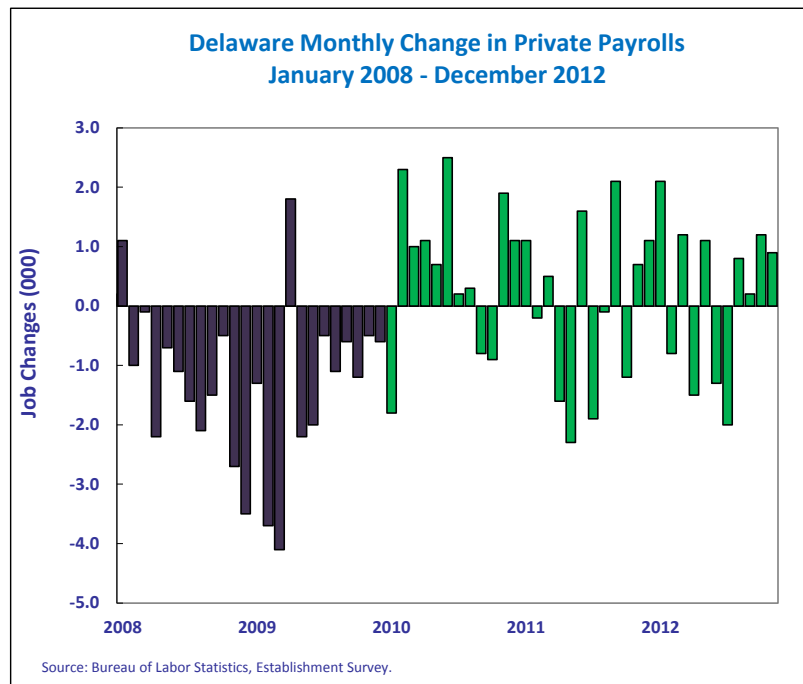
- Including December, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 34 consecutive months.
- In Delaware, private sector employment fell by 8.9 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 3.2 percent.
- In Delaware, employees in the natural resources, mining, construction, trade, transportation and utilities, and professional and business services sectors faced the largest job losses (as a percent of employment within an industry) over the recession. Since the beginning of 2010, the following sectors in Delaware have experienced the greatest employment increases: education and health services; leisure and hospitality; and trade, transportation and utilities.\*
- As the economy continues its emergence from the Great Recession, service-providing industries are projected to add the most jobs between 2010 and 2020. The largest gains over this period are expected to occur in the healthcare and social assistance, professional and business services, and retail trade sectors. Job gains in the goods-producing sector of the economy will be led by the construction and mining industries while the number of manufacturing jobs is expected to fall.

### EMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Delaware was 6.9 percent in December 2012, up 3.1 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 8.5 percent in January 2010.
- 31,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Delaware during December 2012.
- In Delaware, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 3,848 during December, down 29.7 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 7,929 in February 2007, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 51.5 percent.

### EARNINGS

- Between the start of the recession in the 4th quarter of 2007 and the 3rd quarter of 2009, inflation-adjusted total personal income in the United States declined 4.6 percent. Most recently, in the 3rd quarter of 2012, total personal income is 1.8 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.



- Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Delaware was \$36,464.00 in the 3rd quarter of 2012, up from \$35,685.70 in the 3rd quarter of 2010.

### HOUSING

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 17.5 percent over 21 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2012 and the third quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 1.2 percent.
- In Delaware, home prices fell by 19.7 percent over 20 quarters from their peak in the second quarter of 2007. Since the second quarter of 2012, home prices in Delaware have risen by 0.6 percent.
- As of the 3rd quarter of 2012, 3.4 percent of all mortgages, including 11.7 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Delaware.
- Housing starts in Delaware totaled 4,240 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in November 2012, an increase of 7.3 percent from October.
- Within the South census region, which includes Delaware, sales of new single-family homes totaled 218,000 units in November 2012, an increase of 21.1 percent from October. Sales of existing single-family homes increased 6.1 percent to 1,750,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from October to November 2012.

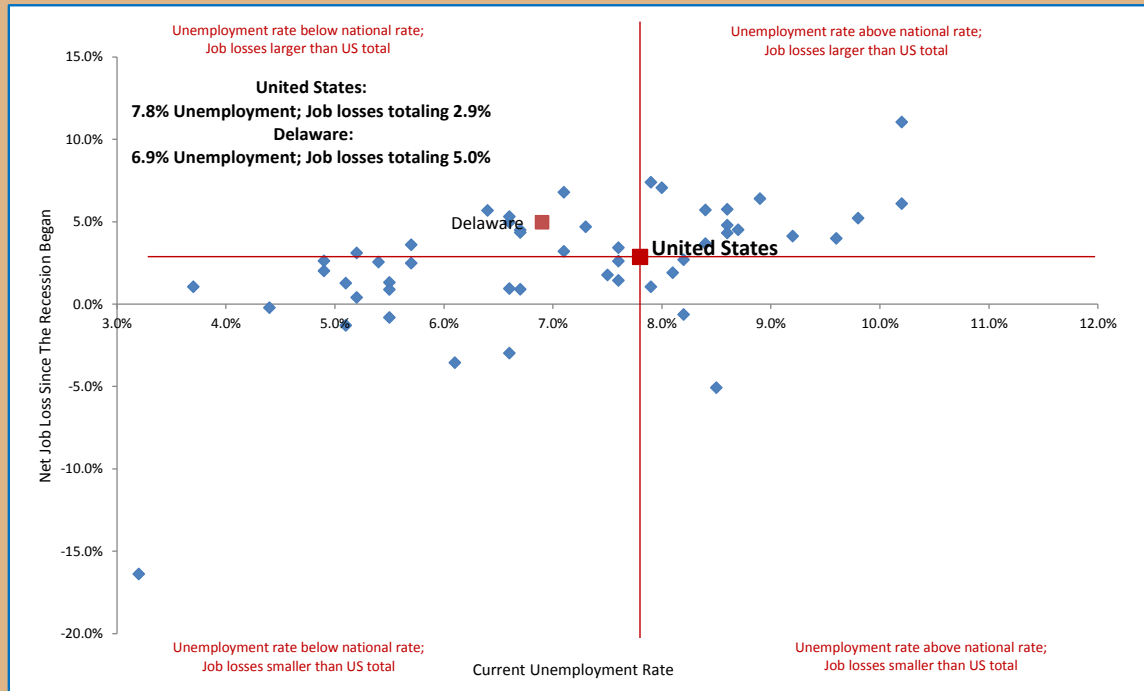
\* For Delaware-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the Delaware office:  
<http://www.delawareworks.com/oolmi/Information/Publications.aspx>

## How Does Delaware Compare To Other States?

Workers across the country were hard hit during the Great Recession. Although labor markets in many states have started recovering, employment in most states still remains below pre-recession levels. The chart below allows you to compare Delaware to other states using two metrics.

The current unemployment rate (measured along the horizontal axis) serves as a gauge of current labor market conditions faced by residents, while the proportion of jobs lost within Delaware since the start of the recession (shown along the vertical axis) measures the toll the recession took on the job supply in Delaware.

States falling in the upper right quadrant have lost a disproportionate share of jobs, relative to the total United States, and have unemployment rates higher than the national unemployment rate. States falling in the lower left quadrant are experiencing lower unemployment rates and smaller job losses than the national average.



### STATE QUICK FACTS

		Delaware	United States
<b>Unemployment Rates</b> .....	December 2009	8.4%	9.9%
	December 2010	7.7%	9.3%
	December 2011	7.2%	8.5%
	December 2012	6.9%	7.8%
<b>Percent of Population Who Are Veterans</b> .....	2011	11.0%	9.4%
<b>All Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	7.6%	8.3%
<b>Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	4.3%	12.1%
<b>Median Household Income</b> .....	2007	\$ 59,214	\$ 54,489
	(2011 \$) 2011	\$ 54,660	\$ 50,054
<b>Poverty Rate</b> .....	2007	9.3%	12.5%
	2011	13.7%	15.0%
<b>No Health Insurance</b> .....	2007	10.6%	14.7%
	2011	10.0%	15.7%



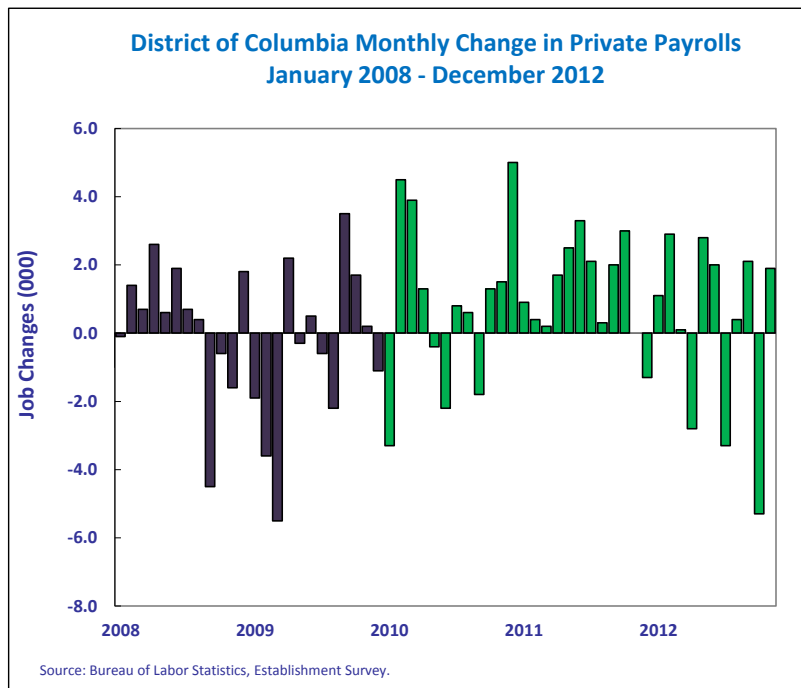
## Economic Overview And Outlook: The District Of Columbia

### JOBS

- Including December, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 34 consecutive months.
- In the District of Columbia, private sector employment fell by 1.5 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 6.9 percent.
- In the District of Columbia, employees in the information services, financial activities, and natural resources, mining, construction sectors faced the largest job losses (as a percent of employment within an industry) over the recession. Since the beginning of 2010, the following sectors in the District of Columbia have experienced the greatest employment increases: natural resources, mining, and construction; education and health services; and other services.\*
- As the economy continues its emergence from the Great Recession, service-providing industries are projected to add the most jobs between 2010 and 2020. The largest gains over this period are expected to occur in the healthcare and social assistance, professional and business services, and retail trade sectors. Job gains in the goods-producing sector of the economy will be led by the construction and mining industries while the number of manufacturing jobs is expected to fall.

### EMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in the District of Columbia was 8.5 percent in December 2012, up 2.9 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 10.5 percent in August 2011.
- 31,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in District of Columbia during December 2012.
- In the District of Columbia, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 1,916 during October, down 5.0 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 2,573 in February 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 25.5 percent.



### EARNINGS

- Between the start of the recession in the 4th quarter of 2007 and the 3rd quarter of 2009, inflation-adjusted total personal income in the United States declined 4.6 percent. Most recently, in the 3rd quarter of 2012, total personal income is 1.8 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.
- Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in the District of Columbia was \$64,091.10 in the 3rd quarter of 2012, down from \$64,242.50 in the 3rd quarter of 2010.

### HOUSING

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 17.5 percent over 21 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2012 and the third quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 1.2 percent.
- In District of Columbia, home prices fell by 11.4 percent over 10 quarters from their peak in the first quarter of 2007. Since the third quarter of 2009, home prices in District of Columbia have risen by 6.6 percent.
- As of the 3rd quarter of 2012, 2.7 percent of all mortgages, including 9.5 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in the District of Columbia.
- Housing starts in the District of Columbia totaled 8,470 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in November 2012, an increase of 71.8 percent from October.
- Within the South census region, which includes the District of Columbia, sales of new single-family homes totaled 218,000 units in November 2012, an increase of 21.1 percent from October. Sales of existing single-family homes increased 6.1 percent to 1,750,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from October to November 2012.

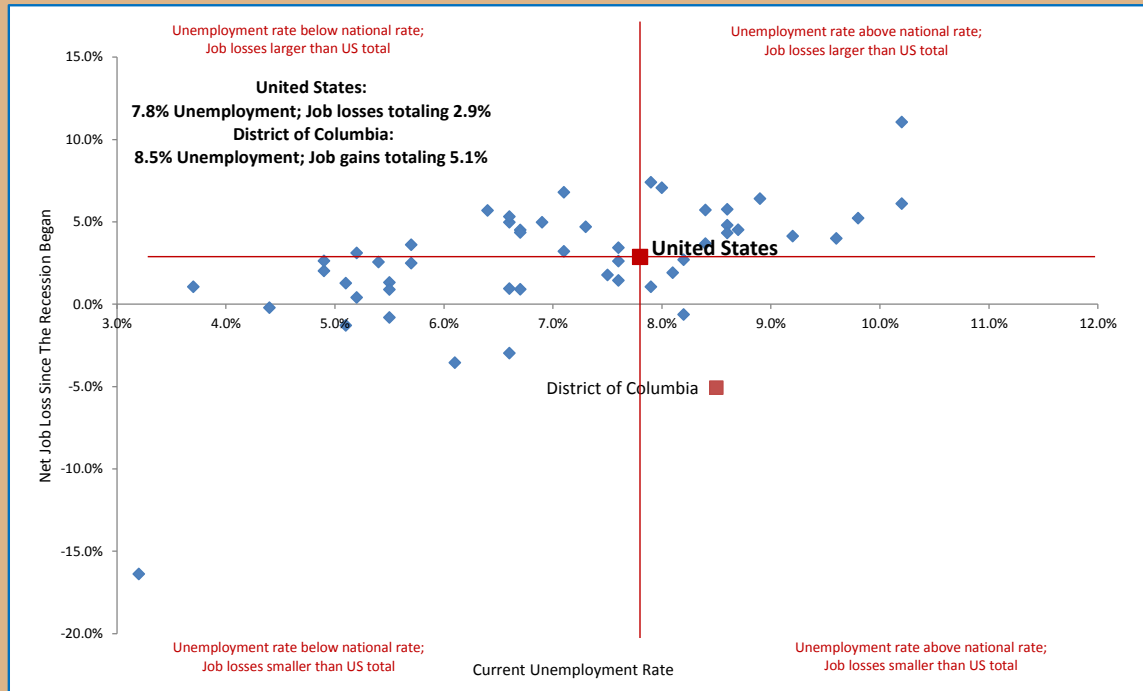
\* For District of Columbia-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the District of Columbia office:  
<http://www.does.dc.gov/does/cwp/view,a,1233,q,538030.asp>

## How Does The District Of Columbia Compare To The States?

Workers across the country were hard hit during the Great Recession. Although labor markets in many states have started recovering, employment in most states still remains below pre-recession levels. The chart below allows you to compare the District of Columbia to the states using two metrics.

The current unemployment rate (measured along the horizontal axis) serves as a gauge of current labor market conditions faced by residents, while the proportion of jobs lost within the District of Columbia since the start of the recession (shown along the vertical axis) measures the toll the recession took on the job supply in the District of Columbia.

States falling in the upper right quadrant have lost a disproportionate share of jobs, relative to the total United States, and have unemployment rates higher than the national unemployment rate. States falling in the lower left quadrant are experiencing lower unemployment rates and smaller job losses than the national average.



### DISTRICT QUICK FACTS

		District of Columbia	United States
<b>Unemployment Rates</b> .....	December 2009	10.5%	9.9%
	December 2010	10.1%	9.3%
	December 2011	10.1%	8.5%
	December 2012	8.5%	7.8%
<b>Percent of Population Who Are Veterans</b> .....	2011	5.9%	9.4%
<b>All Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	10.1%	8.3%
<b>Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	12.4%	12.1%
<b>Median Household Income</b> .....	2007	\$ 55,086	\$ 54,489
	(2011 \$)	2011	\$ 55,251
<b>Poverty Rate</b> .....	2007	18.0%	12.5%
	2011	19.9%	15.0%
<b>No Health Insurance</b> .....	2007	9.3%	14.7%
	2011	8.4%	15.7%



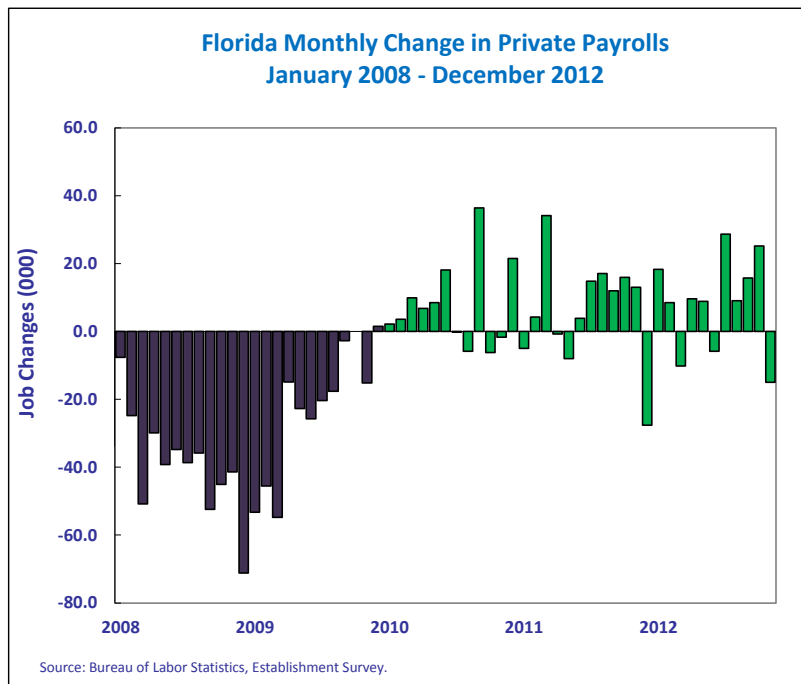
## Economic Overview And Outlook: Florida

### JOBS

- Including December, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 34 consecutive months.
- In Florida, private sector employment fell by 10.9 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 4.3 percent.
- In Florida, employees in the construction, manufacturing, and professional and business services sectors faced the largest job losses (as a percent of employment within an industry) over the recession. Since the beginning of 2010, the following sectors in Florida have experienced the greatest employment increases: professional and business services; leisure and hospitality; and trade, transportation and utilities.\*
- As the economy continues its emergence from the Great Recession, service-providing industries are projected to add the most jobs between 2010 and 2020. The largest gains over this period are expected to occur in the healthcare and social assistance, professional and business services, and retail trade sectors. Job gains in the goods-producing sector of the economy will be led by the construction and mining industries while the number of manufacturing jobs is expected to fall.

### EMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Florida was 8.0 percent in December 2012, up 3.3 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 11.4 percent in February 2010.
- 749,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Florida during December 2012.
- In Florida, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 64,839 during November, up 6.1 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 121,442 in January 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 46.6 percent.



### EARNINGS

- Between the start of the recession in the 4th quarter of 2007 and the 3rd quarter of 2009, inflation-adjusted total personal income in the United States declined 4.6 percent. Most recently, in the 3rd quarter of 2012, total personal income is 1.8 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.
- Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Florida was \$34,695.00 in the 3rd quarter of 2012, down from \$34,757.20 in the 3rd quarter of 2010.

### HOUSING

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 17.5 percent over 21 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2012 and the third quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 1.2 percent.
- In Florida, home prices fell by 43.5 percent over 22 quarters from their peak in the fourth quarter of 2006. Since the second quarter of 2012, home prices in Florida have risen by 2.0 percent.
- As of the 3rd quarter of 2012, 13.0 percent of all mortgages, including 27.4 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Florida.
- Housing starts in Florida totaled 74,410 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in November 2012, an increase of 14.6 percent from October.
- Within the South census region, which includes Florida, sales of new single-family homes totaled 218,000 units in November 2012, an increase of 21.1 percent from October. Sales of existing single-family homes increased 6.1 percent to 1,750,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from October to November 2012.

\* For Florida-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the Florida office: <http://www.labormarketinfo.com/>

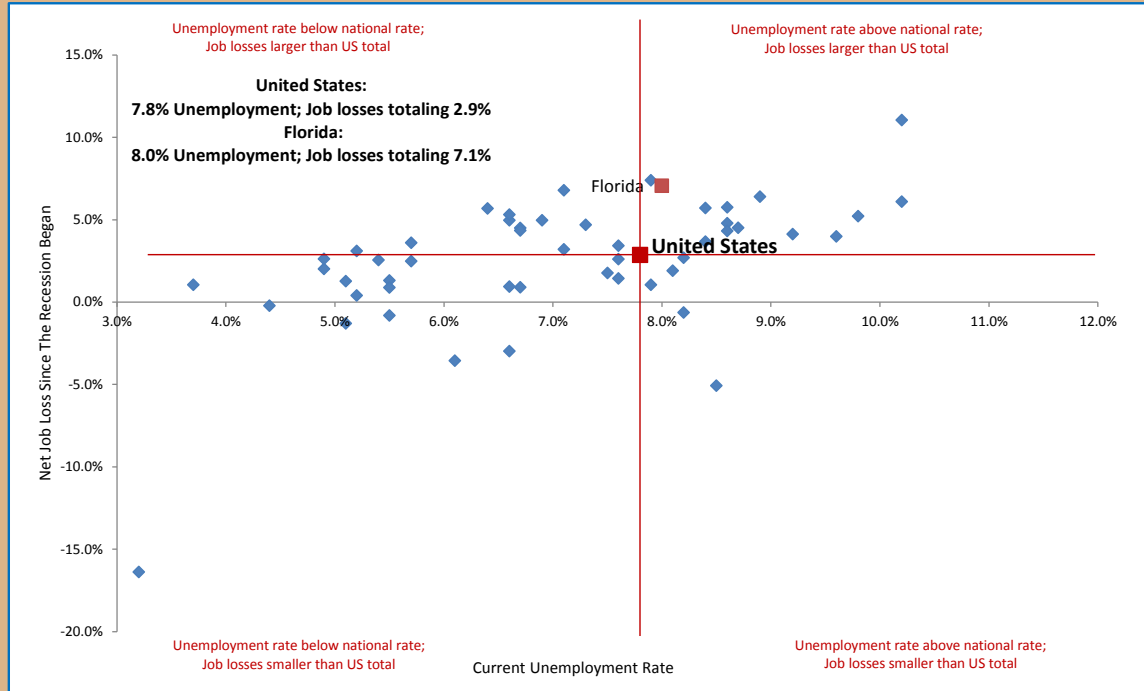


## How Does Florida Compare To Other States?

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The current unemployment rate (measured along the horizontal axis) serves as a gauge of current labor market conditions faced by residents, while the proportion of jobs lost within Florida since the start of the recession (shown along the vertical axis) measures the toll the recession took on the job supply in Florida.

States falling in the upper right quadrant have lost a disproportionate share of jobs, relative to the total United States, and have unemployment rates higher than the national unemployment rate. States falling in the lower left quadrant are experiencing lower unemployment rates and smaller job losses than the national average.



### STATE QUICK FACTS

		<b>Florida</b>	<b>United States</b>
<b>Unemployment Rates</b> .....	December 2009	11.3%	9.9%
	December 2010	11.1%	9.3%
	December 2011	9.9%	8.5%
	December 2012	8.0%	7.8%
<b>Percent of Population Who Are Veterans</b> .....	2011	10.9%	9.4%
<b>All Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	9.3%	8.3%
<b>Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	12.5%	12.1%
<b>Median Household Income</b> .....	2007	\$ 49,674	\$ 54,489
	(2011 \$) 2011	\$ 45,105	\$ 50,054
<b>Poverty Rate</b> .....	2007	12.5%	12.5%
	2011	14.9%	15.0%
<b>No Health Insurance</b> .....	2007	19.8%	14.7%
	2011	19.8%	15.7%



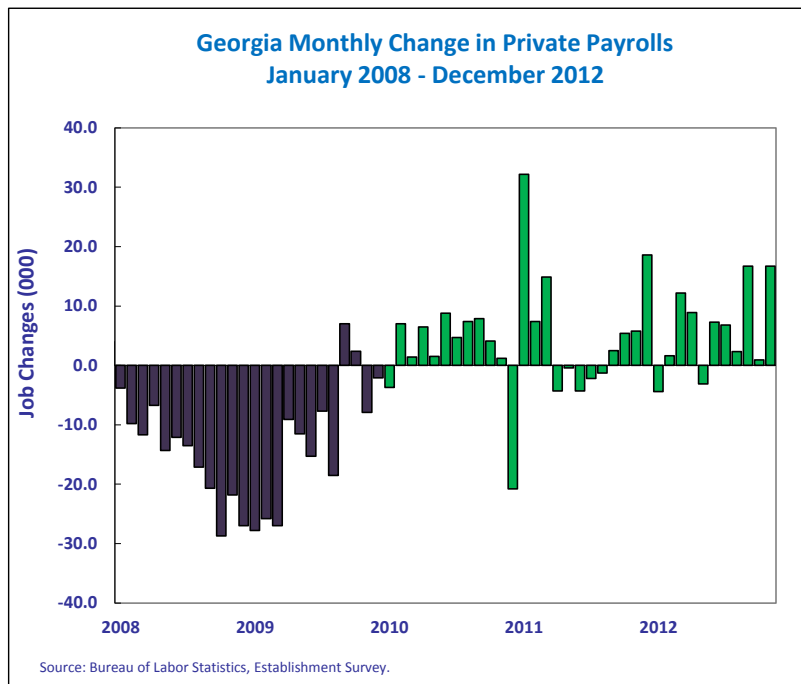
## Economic Overview And Outlook: Georgia

### JOBS

- Including December, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 34 consecutive months.
- In Georgia, private sector employment fell by 9.6 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 5.4 percent.
- In Georgia, employees in the construction, manufacturing, and professional and business services sectors faced the largest job losses (as a percent of employment within an industry) over the recession. Since the beginning of 2010, the following sectors in Georgia have experienced the greatest employment increases: professional and business services; education and health services; and trade, transportation and utilities.\*
- As the economy continues its emergence from the Great Recession, service-providing industries are projected to add the most jobs between 2010 and 2020. The largest gains over this period are expected to occur in the healthcare and social assistance, professional and business services, and retail trade sectors. Job gains in the goods-producing sector of the economy will be led by the construction and mining industries while the number of manufacturing jobs is expected to fall.

### EMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Georgia was 8.6 percent in December 2012, up 3.5 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 10.5 percent in January 2010.
- 414,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Georgia during December 2012.
- In Georgia, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 45,068 during December, down 2.8 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 103,264 in March 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 56.4 percent.



### EARNINGS

- Between the start of the recession in the 4th quarter of 2007 and the 3rd quarter of 2009, inflation-adjusted total personal income in the United States declined 4.6 percent. Most recently, in the 3rd quarter of 2012, total personal income is 1.8 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.
- Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Georgia was \$31,761.80 in the 3rd quarter of 2012, up from \$31,138.00 in the 3rd quarter of 2010.

### HOUSING

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 17.5 percent over 21 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2012 and the third quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 1.2 percent.
- In Georgia, home prices fell by 23.0 percent over 17 quarters from their peak in the first quarter of 2008. Since the second quarter of 2012, home prices in Georgia have risen by 1.0 percent.
- As of the 3rd quarter of 2012, 2.8 percent of all mortgages, including 7.0 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Georgia.
- Housing starts in Georgia totaled 18,940 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in November 2012, a decrease of 35.8 percent from October.
- Within the South census region, which includes Georgia, sales of new single-family homes totaled 218,000 units in November 2012, an increase of 21.1 percent from October. Sales of existing single-family homes increased 6.1 percent to 1,750,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from October to November 2012.

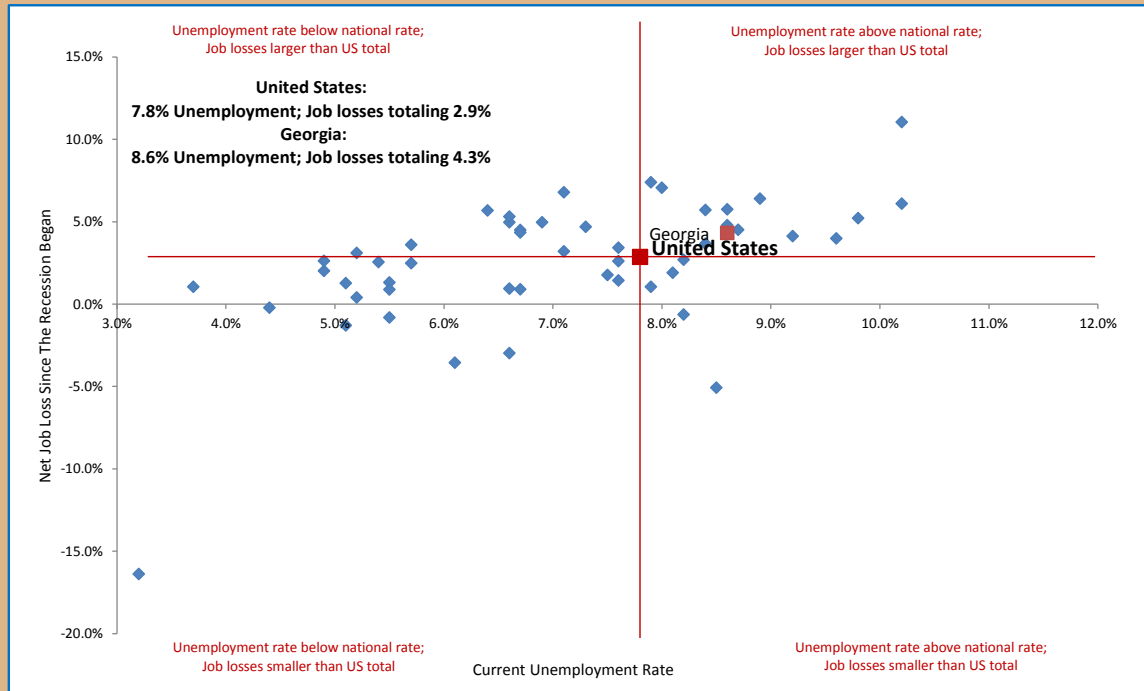
\* For Georgia-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the Georgia office: <http://explorer.dol.state.ga.us/>

## How Does Georgia Compare To Other States?

Workers across the country were hard hit during the Great Recession. Although labor markets in many states have started recovering, employment in most states still remains below pre-recession levels. The chart below allows you to compare Georgia to other states using two metrics.

The current unemployment rate (measured along the horizontal axis) serves as a gauge of current labor market conditions faced by residents, while the proportion of jobs lost within Georgia since the start of the recession (shown along the vertical axis) measures the toll the recession took on the job supply in Georgia.

States falling in the upper right quadrant have lost a disproportionate share of jobs, relative to the total United States, and have unemployment rates higher than the national unemployment rate. States falling in the lower left quadrant are experiencing lower unemployment rates and smaller job losses than the national average.



### STATE QUICK FACTS

		Georgia	United States
<b>Unemployment Rates</b> .....	December 2009	10.5%	9.9%
	December 2010	10.2%	9.3%
	December 2011	9.4%	8.5%
	December 2012	8.6%	7.8%
<b>Percent of Population Who Are Veterans</b> .....	2011	10.1%	9.4%
<b>All Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	9.0%	8.3%
<b>Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	14.2%	12.1%
<b>Median Household Income</b> .....	2007	\$ 52,762	\$ 54,489
	(2011 \$)	2011	\$ 45,973
<b>Poverty Rate</b> .....	2007	13.6%	12.5%
	2011	18.4%	15.0%
<b>No Health Insurance</b> .....	2007	17.2%	14.7%
	2011	19.2%	15.7%



## Economic Overview And Outlook: Hawaii

### JOBS

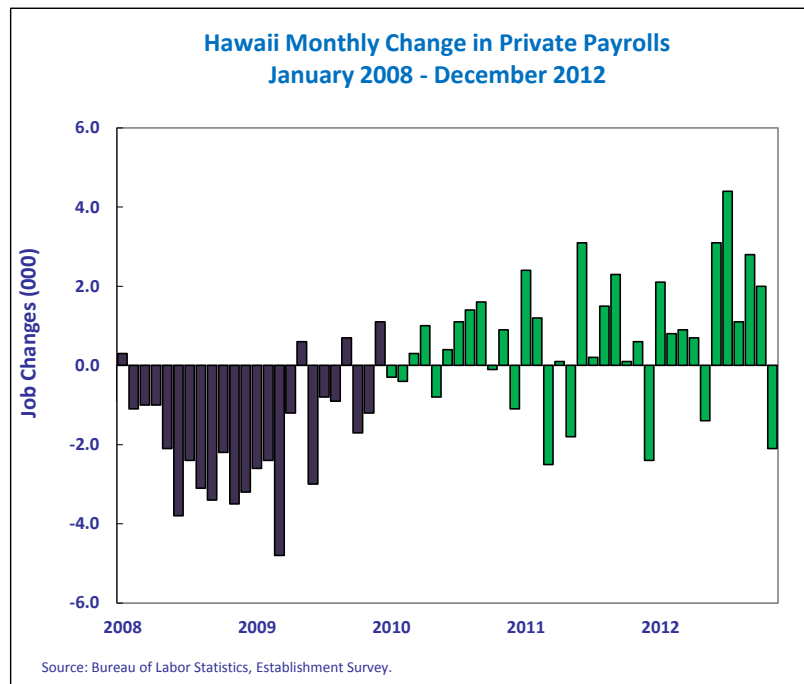
- Including December, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 34 consecutive months.
- In Hawaii, private sector employment fell by 8.5 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 5.1 percent.
- In Hawaii, employees in the natural resources, mining, construction, trade, transportation and utilities, and manufacturing sectors faced the largest job losses (as a percent of employment within an industry) over the recession. Since the beginning of 2010, the following sectors in Hawaii have experienced the greatest employment increases: leisure and hospitality; trade, transportation and utilities; and professional and business services.\*
- As the economy continues its emergence from the Great Recession, service-providing industries are projected to add the most jobs between 2010 and 2020. The largest gains over this period are expected to occur in the healthcare and social assistance, professional and business services, and retail trade sectors. Job gains in the goods-producing sector of the economy will be led by the construction and mining industries while the number of manufacturing jobs is expected to fall.

### EMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Hawaii was 5.2 percent in December 2012, up 2.2 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 7.1 percent in December 2009.
- 34,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Hawaii during December 2012.
- In Hawaii, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 7,215 during December, up 2.0 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 11,570 in August 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 37.6 percent.

### EARNINGS

- Between the start of the recession in the 4th quarter of 2007 and the 3rd quarter of 2009, inflation-adjusted total personal income in the United States declined 4.6 percent. Most recently, in the 3rd quarter of 2012, total personal income is 1.8 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.



- Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Hawaii was \$38,184.50 in the 3rd quarter of 2012, up from \$36,987.20 in the 3rd quarter of 2010.

### HOUSING

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 17.5 percent over 21 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2012 and the third quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 1.2 percent.
- In Hawaii, home prices fell by 16.9 percent over 16 quarters from their peak in the second quarter of 2007. Since the second quarter of 2011, home prices in Hawaii have risen by 1.7 percent.
- As of the 3rd quarter of 2012, 4.7 percent of all mortgages, including 19.4 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Hawaii.
- Housing starts in Hawaii totaled 1,940 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in November 2012, a decrease of 67.5 percent from October.
- Within the West census region, which includes Hawaii, sales of new single-family homes totaled 83,000 units in November 2012, a decrease of 17.8 percent from October. Sales of existing single-family homes increased 1.9 percent to 1,070,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from October to November 2012.

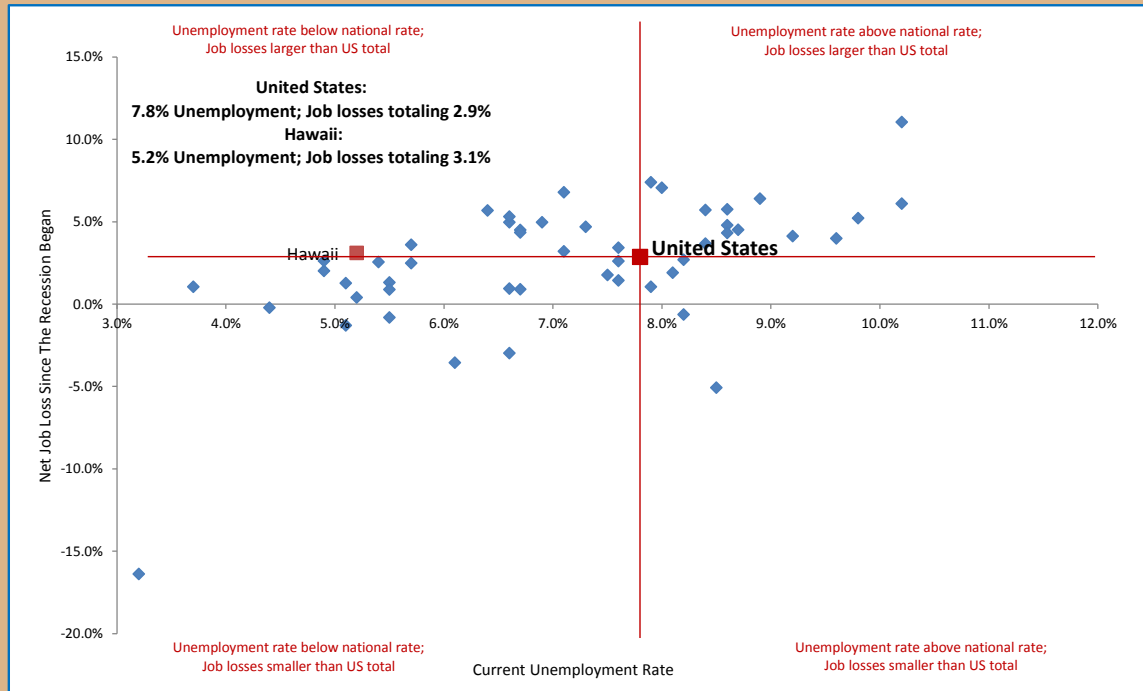
\* For Hawaii-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the Hawaii office: <http://hawaii.gov/labor/>

## How Does Hawaii Compare To Other States?

Workers across the country were hard hit during the Great Recession. Although labor markets in many states have started recovering, employment in most states still remains below pre-recession levels. The chart below allows you to compare Hawaii to other states using two metrics.

The current unemployment rate (measured along the horizontal axis) serves as a gauge of current labor market conditions faced by residents, while the proportion of jobs lost within Hawaii since the start of the recession (shown along the vertical axis) measures the toll the recession took on the job supply in Hawaii.

States falling in the upper right quadrant have lost a disproportionate share of jobs, relative to the total United States, and have unemployment rates higher than the national unemployment rate. States falling in the lower left quadrant are experiencing lower unemployment rates and smaller job losses than the national average.



### STATE QUICK FACTS

		Hawaii	United States
<b>Unemployment Rates</b> .....	December 2009	7.1%	9.9%
	December 2010	6.7%	9.3%
	December 2011	6.6%	8.5%
	December 2012	5.2%	7.8%
<b>Percent of Population Who Are Veterans</b> .....	2011	11.0%	9.4%
<b>All Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	8.3%	8.3%
<b>Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	8.5%	12.1%
<b>Median Household Income</b> .....	2007	\$ 69,447	\$ 54,489
	(2011 \$)	2011	\$ 59,047
<b>Poverty Rate</b> .....	2007	7.5%	12.5%
	2011	12.1%	15.0%
<b>No Health Insurance</b> .....	2007	6.9%	14.7%
	2011	7.8%	15.7%



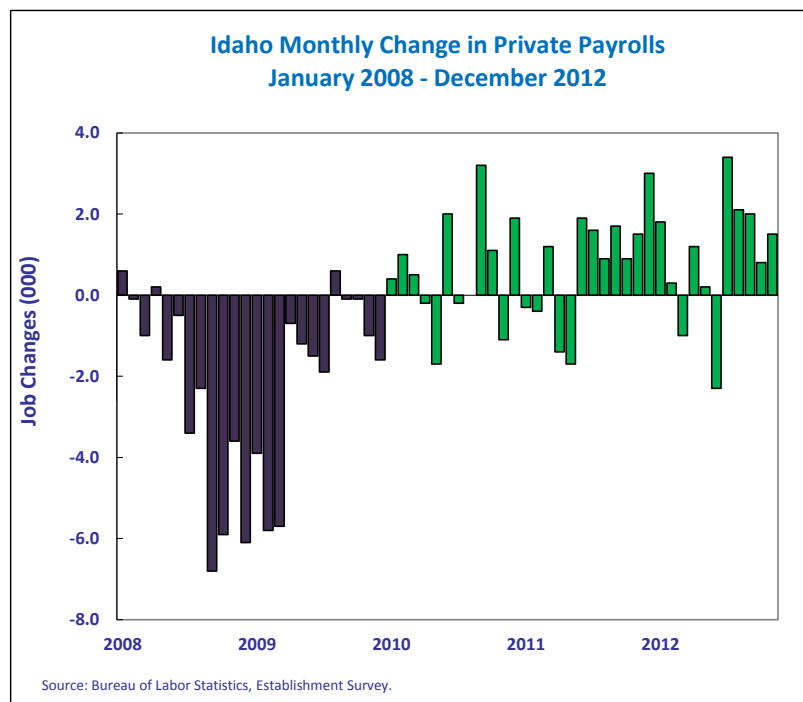
## Economic Overview And Outlook: Idaho

### JOBS

- Including December, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 34 consecutive months.
- In Idaho, private sector employment fell by 9.9 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 5.3 percent.
- In Idaho, employees in the mining, construction, and manufacturing sectors faced the largest job losses (as a percent of employment within an industry) over the recession. Since the beginning of 2010, the following sectors in Idaho have experienced the greatest employment increases: mining; education and health services; and manufacturing.\*
- As the economy continues its emergence from the Great Recession, service-providing industries are projected to add the most jobs between 2010 and 2020. The largest gains over this period are expected to occur in the healthcare and social assistance, professional and business services, and retail trade sectors. Job gains in the goods-producing sector of the economy will be led by the construction and mining industries while the number of manufacturing jobs is expected to fall.

### EMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Idaho was 6.6 percent in December 2012, up 3.2 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 8.9 percent in July 2011.
- 51,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Idaho during December 2012.
- In Idaho, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 9,749 during December, down 6.9 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 18,226 in September 2010, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 46.5 percent.



### EARNINGS

- Between the start of the recession in the 4th quarter of 2007 and the 3rd quarter of 2009, inflation-adjusted total personal income in the United States declined 4.6 percent. Most recently, in the 3rd quarter of 2012, total personal income is 1.8 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.
- Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Idaho was \$29,071.20 in the 3rd quarter of 2012, up from \$28,481.30 in the 3rd quarter of 2010.

### HOUSING

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 17.5 percent over 21 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2012 and the third quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 1.2 percent.
- In Idaho, home prices fell by 26.3 percent over 13 quarters from their peak in the first quarter of 2008. Since the second quarter of 2011, home prices in Idaho have risen by 3.9 percent.
- As of the 3rd quarter of 2012, 2.8 percent of all mortgages, including 8.6 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Idaho.
- Housing starts in Idaho totaled 6,690 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in November 2012, a decrease of 3.0 percent from October.
- Within the West census region, which includes Idaho, sales of new single-family homes totaled 83,000 units in November 2012, a decrease of 17.8 percent from October. Sales of existing single-family homes increased 1.9 percent to 1,070,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from October to November 2012.

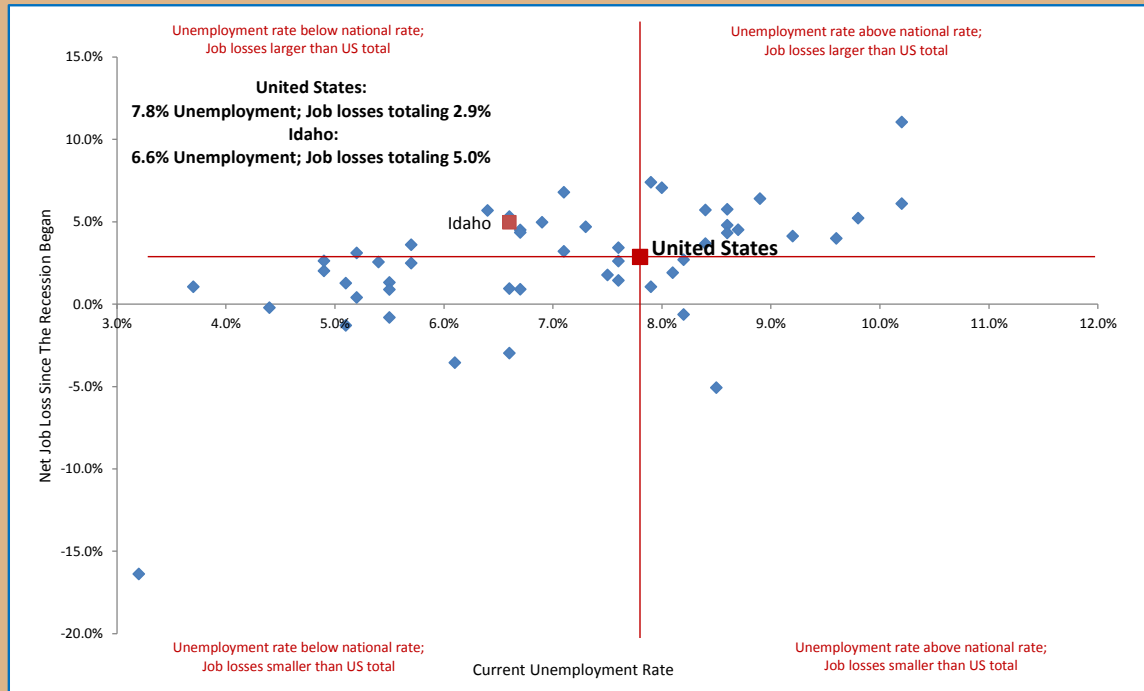
\* For Idaho-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the Idaho office:  
<http://labor.idaho.gov/dnn/Default.aspx?tabid=696&AspxAutoDetectCookieSupport=1>

## How Does Idaho Compare To Other States?

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The current unemployment rate (measured along the horizontal axis) serves as a gauge of current labor market conditions faced by residents, while the proportion of jobs lost within Idaho since the start of the recession (shown along the vertical axis) measures the toll the recession took on the job supply in Idaho.

States falling in the upper right quadrant have lost a disproportionate share of jobs, relative to the total United States, and have unemployment rates higher than the national unemployment rate. States falling in the lower left quadrant are experiencing lower unemployment rates and smaller job losses than the national average.



### STATE QUICK FACTS

		<b>Idaho</b>	<b>United States</b>
<b>Unemployment Rates</b> .....	December 2009	8.4%	9.9%
	December 2010	8.9%	9.3%
	December 2011	8.3%	8.5%
	December 2012	6.6%	7.8%
<b>Percent of Population Who Are Veterans</b> .....	2011	10.4%	9.4%
<b>All Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	7.9%	8.3%
<b>Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	6.4%	12.1%
<b>Median Household Income</b> .....	2007	\$ 53,351	\$ 54,489
	(2011 \$) 2011	\$ 47,459	\$ 50,054
<b>Poverty Rate</b> .....	2007	9.9%	12.5%
	2011	15.7%	15.0%
<b>No Health Insurance</b> .....	2007	13.6%	14.7%
	2011	16.9%	15.7%



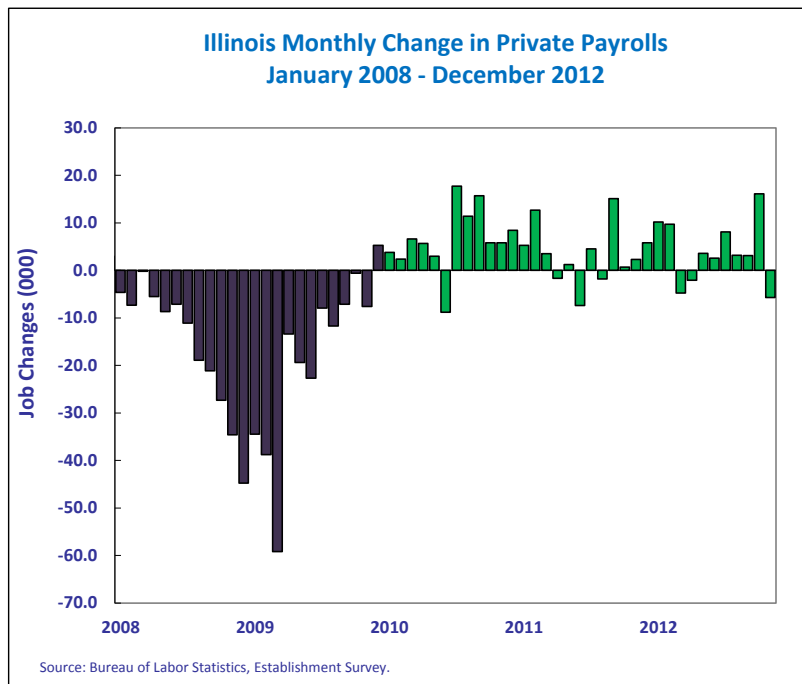
## Economic Overview And Outlook: Illinois

### JOBS

- Including December, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 34 consecutive months.
- In Illinois, private sector employment fell by 7.9 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 3.3 percent.
- In Illinois, employees in the construction, manufacturing, and professional and business services sectors faced the largest job losses (as a percent of employment within an industry) over the recession. Since the beginning of 2010, the following sectors in Illinois have experienced the greatest employment increases: professional and business services; mining; and manufacturing.\*
- As the economy continues its emergence from the Great Recession, service-providing industries are projected to add the most jobs between 2010 and 2020. The largest gains over this period are expected to occur in the healthcare and social assistance, professional and business services, and retail trade sectors. Job gains in the goods-producing sector of the economy will be led by the construction and mining industries while the number of manufacturing jobs is expected to fall.

### EMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Illinois was 8.7 percent in December 2012, up 3.2 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 11.4 percent in January 2010.
- 577,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Illinois during December 2012.
- In Illinois, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 65,223 during December, down 3.2 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 124,439 in March 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 47.6 percent.



### EARNINGS

- Between the start of the recession in the 4th quarter of 2007 and the 3rd quarter of 2009, inflation-adjusted total personal income in the United States declined 4.6 percent. Most recently, in the 3rd quarter of 2012, total personal income is 1.8 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.
- Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Illinois was \$38,751.30 in the 3rd quarter of 2012, up from \$38,081.20 in the 3rd quarter of 2010.

### HOUSING

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 17.5 percent over 21 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2012 and the third quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 1.2 percent.
- In Illinois, home prices fell by 19.5 percent over 21 quarters from their peak in the first quarter of 2007. Since the second quarter of 2012, home prices in Illinois have risen by 1.2 percent.
- As of the 3rd quarter of 2012, 6.8 percent of all mortgages, including 17.5 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Illinois.
- Housing starts in Illinois totaled 19,030 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in November 2012, an increase of 29.1 percent from October.
- Within the Midwest census region, which includes Illinois, sales of new single-family homes totaled 49,000 units in November 2012, a decrease of 12.5 percent from October. Sales of existing single-family homes increased 6.7 percent to 1,110,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from October to November 2012.

\* For Illinois-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the Illinois office: <http://lmi.ides.state.il.us/pressreleases.htm>

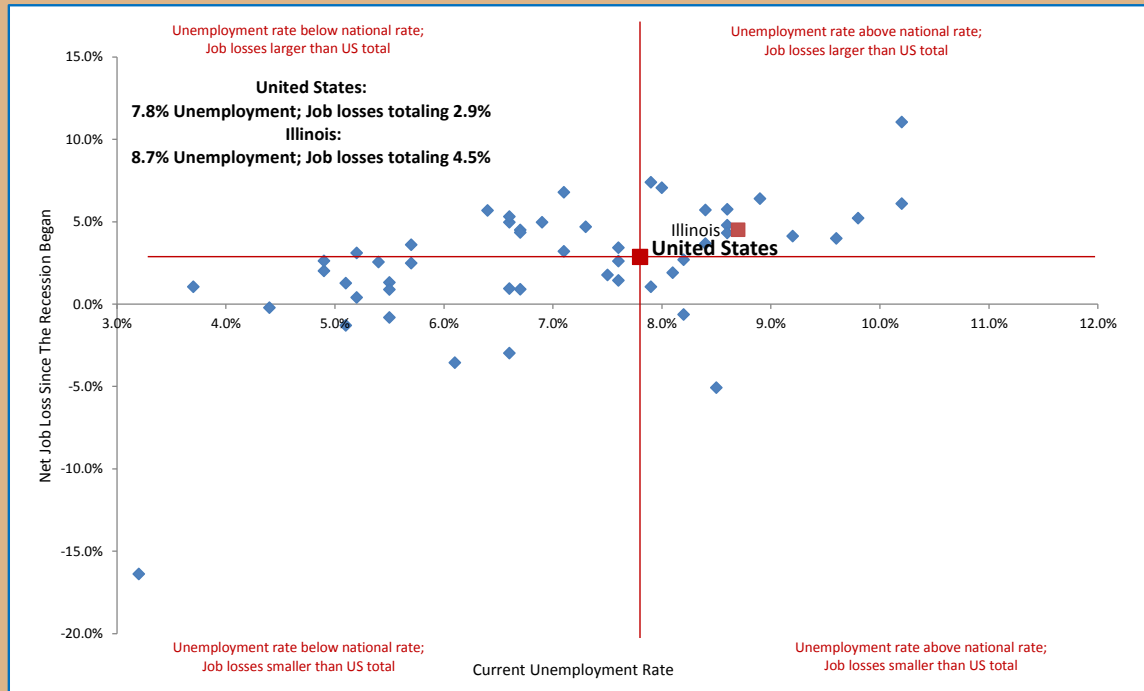


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States falling in the upper right quadrant have lost a disproportionate share of jobs, relative to the total United States, and have unemployment rates higher than the national unemployment rate. States falling in the lower left quadrant are experiencing lower unemployment rates and smaller job losses than the national average.



### STATE QUICK FACTS

		Illinois	United States
<b>Unemployment Rates</b> .....	December 2009	11.3%	9.9%
	December 2010	9.5%	9.3%
	December 2011	9.7%	8.5%
	December 2012	8.7%	7.8%
<b>Percent of Population Who Are Veterans</b> .....	2011	7.8%	9.4%
<b>All Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	8.1%	8.3%
<b>Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	9.5%	12.1%
<b>Median Household Income</b> .....	2007	\$ 56,955	\$ 54,489
	(2011 \$) 2011	\$ 50,637	\$ 50,054
<b>Poverty Rate</b> .....	2007	10.0%	12.5%
	2011	14.2%	15.0%
<b>No Health Insurance</b> .....	2007	13.0%	14.7%
	2011	14.7%	15.7%

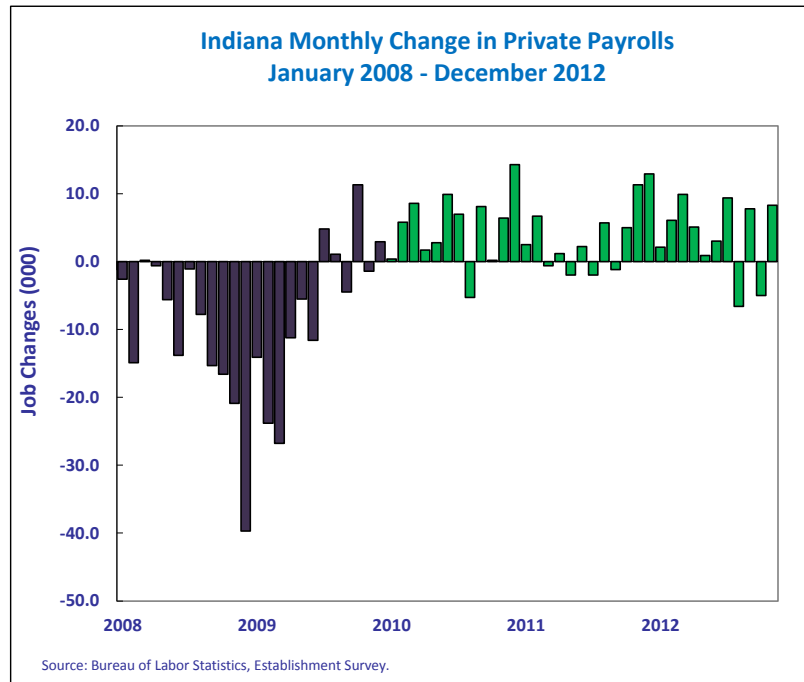
## Economic Overview And Outlook: Indiana

### JOBS

- Including December, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 34 consecutive months.
- In Indiana, private sector employment fell by 8.5 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 6.1 percent.
- In Indiana, employees in the manufacturing, construction, and professional and business services sectors faced the largest job losses (as a percent of employment within an industry) over the recession. Since the beginning of 2010, the following sectors in Indiana have experienced the greatest employment increases: construction; manufacturing; and professional and business services.\*
- As the economy continues its emergence from the Great Recession, service-providing industries are projected to add the most jobs between 2010 and 2020. The largest gains over this period are expected to occur in the healthcare and social assistance, professional and business services, and retail trade sectors. Job gains in the goods-producing sector of the economy will be led by the construction and mining industries while the number of manufacturing jobs is expected to fall.

### EMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Indiana was 8.2 percent in December 2012, up 3.6 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 10.8 percent in July 2009.
- 260,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Indiana during December 2012.
- In Indiana, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 26,263 during December, down 6.1 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 90,339 in March 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 70.9 percent.



### EARNINGS

- Between the start of the recession in the 4th quarter of 2007 and the 3rd quarter of 2009, inflation-adjusted total personal income in the United States declined 4.6 percent. Most recently, in the 3rd quarter of 2012, total personal income is 1.8 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.

- Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Indiana was \$32,085.20 in the 3rd quarter of 2012, up from \$30,795.00 in the 3rd quarter of 2010.

### HOUSING

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 17.5 percent over 21 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2012 and the third quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 1.2 percent.
- In Indiana, home prices fell by 6.5 percent over 13 quarters from their peak in the first quarter of 2008. Since the second quarter of 2011, home prices in Indiana have risen by 1.6 percent.
- As of the 3rd quarter of 2012, 4.5 percent of all mortgages, including 11.4 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Indiana.
- Housing starts in Indiana totaled 18,140 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in November 2012, an increase of 31.4 percent from October.
- Within the Midwest census region, which includes Indiana, sales of new single-family homes totaled 49,000 units in November 2012, a decrease of 12.5 percent from October. Sales of existing single-family homes increased 6.7 percent to 1,110,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from October to November 2012.

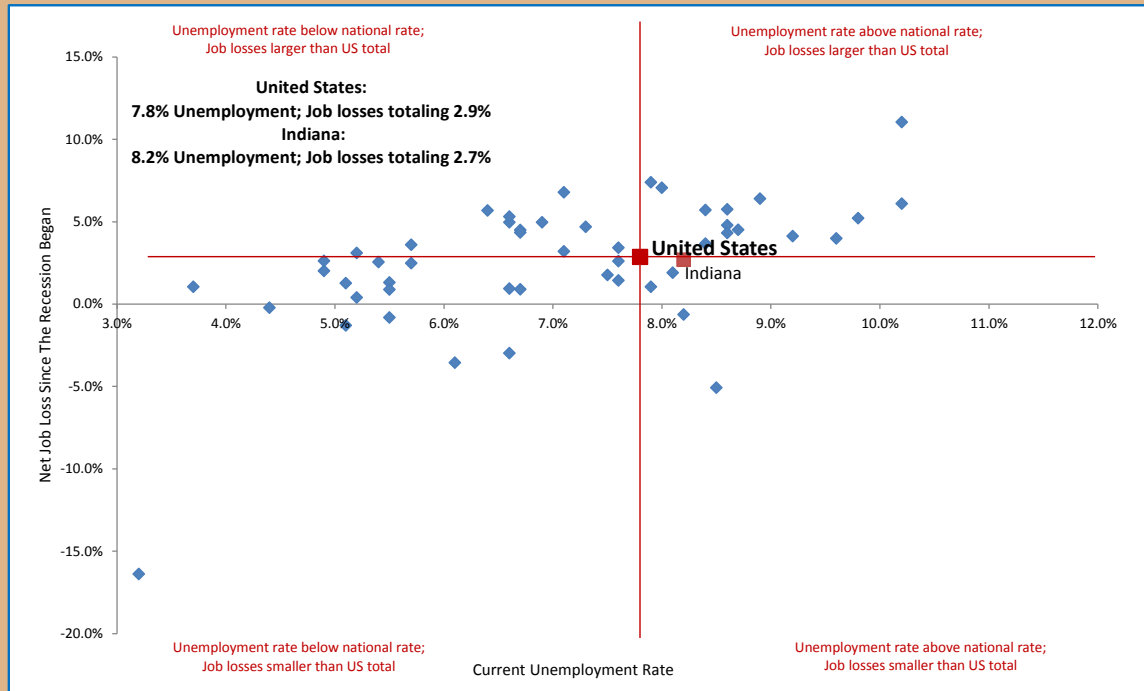
\* For Indiana-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the Indiana office: <http://www.hoosierdata.in.gov/>

## How Does Indiana Compare To Other States?

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The current unemployment rate (measured along the horizontal axis) serves as a gauge of current labor market conditions faced by residents, while the proportion of jobs lost within Indiana since the start of the recession (shown along the vertical axis) measures the toll the recession took on the job supply in Indiana.

States falling in the upper right quadrant have lost a disproportionate share of jobs, relative to the total United States, and have unemployment rates higher than the national unemployment rate. States falling in the lower left quadrant are experiencing lower unemployment rates and smaller job losses than the national average.



### STATE QUICK FACTS

		Indiana	United States
<b>Unemployment Rates</b> .....	December 2009	10.6%	9.9%
	December 2010	9.3%	9.3%
	December 2011	8.9%	8.5%
	December 2012	8.2%	7.8%
<b>Percent of Population Who Are Veterans</b> .....	2011	10.5%	9.4%
<b>All Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	7.6%	8.3%
<b>Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	15.7%	12.1%
<b>Median Household Income</b> .....	2007	\$ 51,474	\$ 54,489
	(2011 \$) 2011	\$ 44,445	\$ 50,054
<b>Poverty Rate</b> .....	2007	11.8%	12.5%
	2011	15.6%	15.0%
<b>No Health Insurance</b> .....	2007	11.0%	14.7%
	2011	12.0%	15.7%



## Economic Overview And Outlook: Iowa

### JOBS

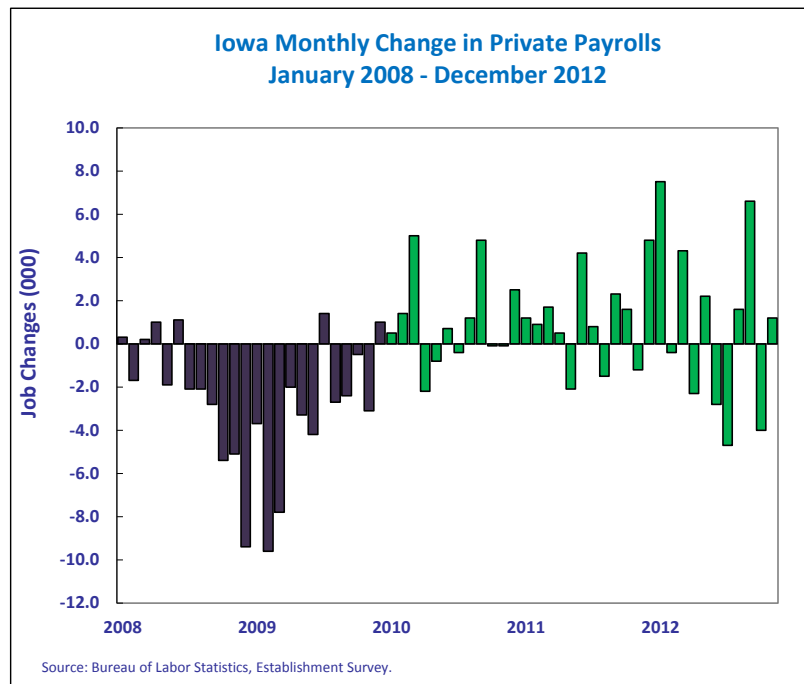
- Including December, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 34 consecutive months.
- In Iowa, private sector employment fell by 5.0 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 2.8 percent.
- In Iowa, employees in the manufacturing, construction, and information services sectors faced the largest job losses (as a percent of employment within an industry) over the recession. Since the beginning of 2010, the following sectors in Iowa have experienced the greatest employment increases: manufacturing; construction; and professional and business services.\*
- As the economy continues its emergence from the Great Recession, service-providing industries are projected to add the most jobs between 2010 and 2020. The largest gains over this period are expected to occur in the healthcare and social assistance, professional and business services, and retail trade sectors. Job gains in the goods-producing sector of the economy will be led by the construction and mining industries while the number of manufacturing jobs is expected to fall.

### EMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Iowa was 4.9 percent in December 2012, up 1.0 percentage point from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 6.3 percent in November 2010.
- 80,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Iowa during December 2012.
- In Iowa, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 14,462 during December, down 10.9 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 40,467 in March 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 64.3 percent.

### EARNINGS

- Between the start of the recession in the 4th quarter of 2007 and the 3rd quarter of 2009, inflation-adjusted total personal income in the United States declined 4.6 percent. Most recently, in the 3rd quarter of 2012, total personal income is 1.8 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.



- Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Iowa was \$36,558.80 in the 3rd quarter of 2012, up from \$34,249.40 in the 3rd quarter of 2010.

### HOUSING

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 17.5 percent over 21 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2012 and the third quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 1.2 percent.
- In Iowa, home prices have risen by 0.3 percent from the previous peak set in the first quarter of 2009.
- As of the 3rd quarter of 2012, 2.6 percent of all mortgages, including 10.7 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Iowa.
- Housing starts in Iowa totaled 11,900 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in November 2012, an increase of 4.4 percent from October.
- Within the Midwest census region, which includes Iowa, sales of new single-family homes totaled 49,000 units in November 2012, a decrease of 12.5 percent from October. Sales of existing single-family homes increased 6.7 percent to 1,110,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from October to November 2012.

\* For Iowa-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the Iowa office: <http://www.iowaworkforce.org/>

## How Does Iowa Compare To Other States?

Workers across the country were hard hit during the Great Recession. Although labor markets in many states have started recovering, employment in most states still remains below pre-recession levels. The chart below allows you to compare Iowa to other states using two metrics.

The current unemployment rate (measured along the horizontal axis) serves as a gauge of current labor market conditions faced by residents, while the proportion of jobs lost within Iowa since the start of the recession (shown along the vertical axis) measures the toll the recession took on the job supply in Iowa.

States falling in the upper right quadrant have lost a disproportionate share of jobs, relative to the total United States, and have unemployment rates higher than the national unemployment rate. States falling in the lower left quadrant are experiencing lower unemployment rates and smaller job losses than the national average.



### STATE QUICK FACTS

		Iowa	United States
<b>Unemployment Rates</b> .....	December 2009	6.3%	9.9%
	December 2010	6.2%	9.3%
	December 2011	5.6%	8.5%
	December 2012	4.9%	7.8%
<b>Percent of Population Who Are Veterans</b> .....	2011	10.2%	9.4%
<b>All Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	6.4%	8.3%
<b>Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	11.8%	12.1%
<b>Median Household Income</b> .....	2007	\$ 53,052	\$ 54,489
	(2011 \$)	2011	\$ 50,219
<b>Poverty Rate</b> .....	2007	8.9%	12.5%
	2011	10.4%	15.0%
<b>No Health Insurance</b> .....	2007	8.8%	14.7%
	2011	10.0%	15.7%

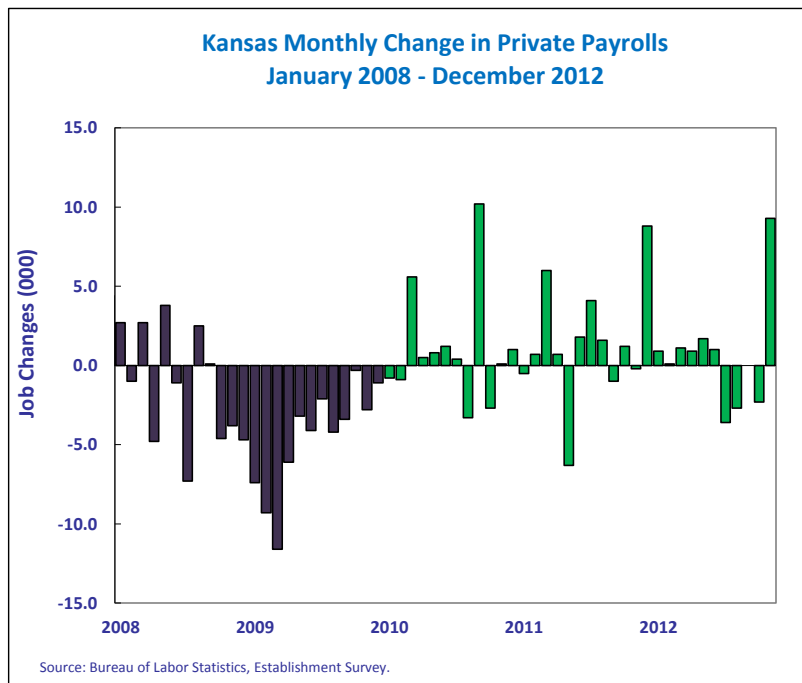
## Economic Overview And Outlook: Kansas

### JOBS

- Including December, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 34 consecutive months.
- In Kansas, private sector employment fell by 6.4 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 3.4 percent.
- In Kansas, employees in the mining, manufacturing, and information services sectors faced the largest job losses (as a percent of employment within an industry) over the recession. Since the beginning of 2010, the following sectors in Kansas have experienced the greatest employment increases: professional and business services; mining; and manufacturing.\*
- As the economy continues its emergence from the Great Recession, service-providing industries are projected to add the most jobs between 2010 and 2020. The largest gains over this period are expected to occur in the healthcare and social assistance, professional and business services, and retail trade sectors. Job gains in the goods-producing sector of the economy will be led by the construction and mining industries while the number of manufacturing jobs is expected to fall.

### EMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Kansas was 5.4 percent in December 2012, up 1.4 percentage point from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 7.6 percent in August 2009.
- 80,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Kansas during December 2012.
- In Kansas, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 12,882 during December, up 3.4 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 29,611 in April 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 56.5 percent.



### EARNINGS

- Between the start of the recession in the 4th quarter of 2007 and the 3rd quarter of 2009, inflation-adjusted total personal income in the United States declined 4.6 percent. Most recently, in the 3rd quarter of 2012, total personal income is 1.8 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.

- Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Kansas was \$35,902.60 in the 3rd quarter of 2012, up from \$34,877.80 in the 3rd quarter of 2010.

### HOUSING

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 17.5 percent over 21 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2012 and the third quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 1.2 percent.
- In Kansas, home prices fell by 4.3 percent over 13 quarters from their peak in the first quarter of 2008. Since the second quarter of 2011, home prices in Kansas have risen by 1.8 percent.
- As of the 3rd quarter of 2012, 2.2 percent of all mortgages, including 6.6 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Kansas.
- Housing starts in Kansas totaled 7,130 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in November 2012, a decrease of 13.7 percent from October.
- Within the Midwest census region, which includes Kansas, sales of new single-family homes totaled 49,000 units in November 2012, a decrease of 12.5 percent from October. Sales of existing single-family homes increased 6.7 percent to 1,110,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from October to November 2012.

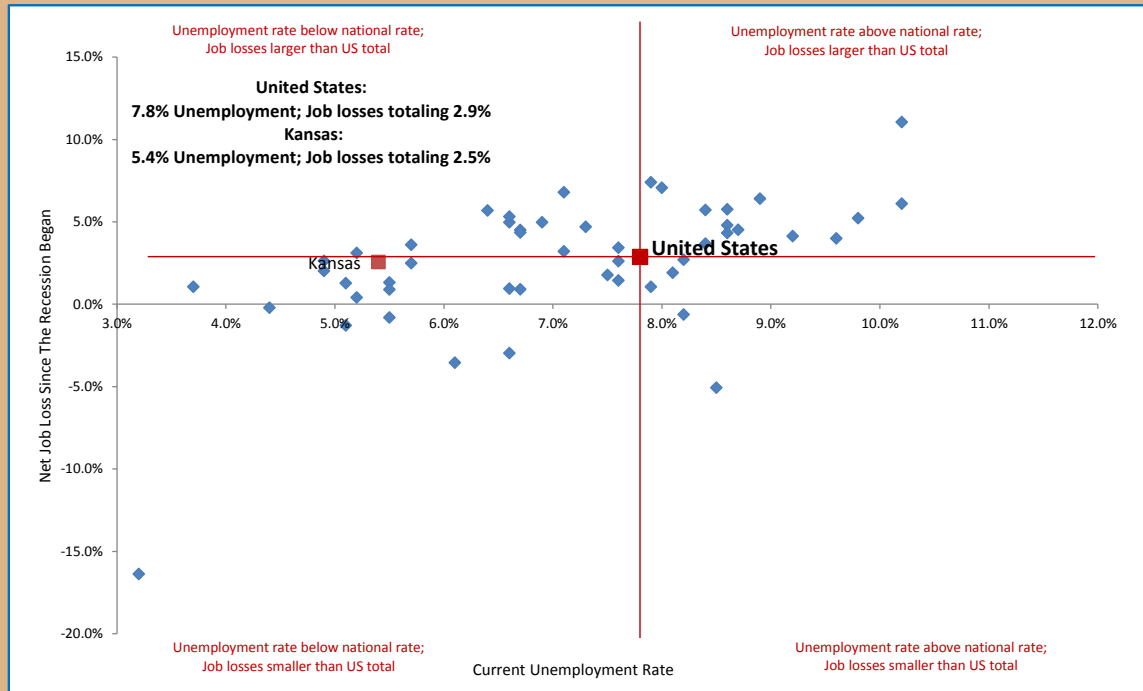
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The current unemployment rate (measured along the horizontal axis) serves as a gauge of current labor market conditions faced by residents, while the proportion of jobs lost within Kansas since the start of the recession (shown along the vertical axis) measures the toll the recession took on the job supply in Kansas.

States falling in the upper right quadrant have lost a disproportionate share of jobs, relative to the total United States, and have unemployment rates higher than the national unemployment rate. States falling in the lower left quadrant are experiencing lower unemployment rates and smaller job losses than the national average.



### STATE QUICK FACTS

		Kansas	United States
<b>Unemployment Rates</b> .....	December 2009	7.3%	9.9%
	December 2010	7.0%	9.3%
	December 2011	6.4%	8.5%
	December 2012	5.4%	7.8%
<b>Percent of Population Who Are Veterans</b> .....	2011	10.9%	9.4%
<b>All Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	6.1%	8.3%
<b>Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	11.5%	12.1%
<b>Median Household Income</b> .....	2007	\$ 52,606	\$ 54,489
	(2011 \$)	2011	\$ 46,147
<b>Poverty Rate</b> .....	2007	11.7%	12.5%
	2011	14.3%	15.0%
<b>No Health Insurance</b> .....	2007	12.4%	14.7%
	2011	13.5%	15.7%



## Economic Overview And Outlook: Kentucky

### JOBS

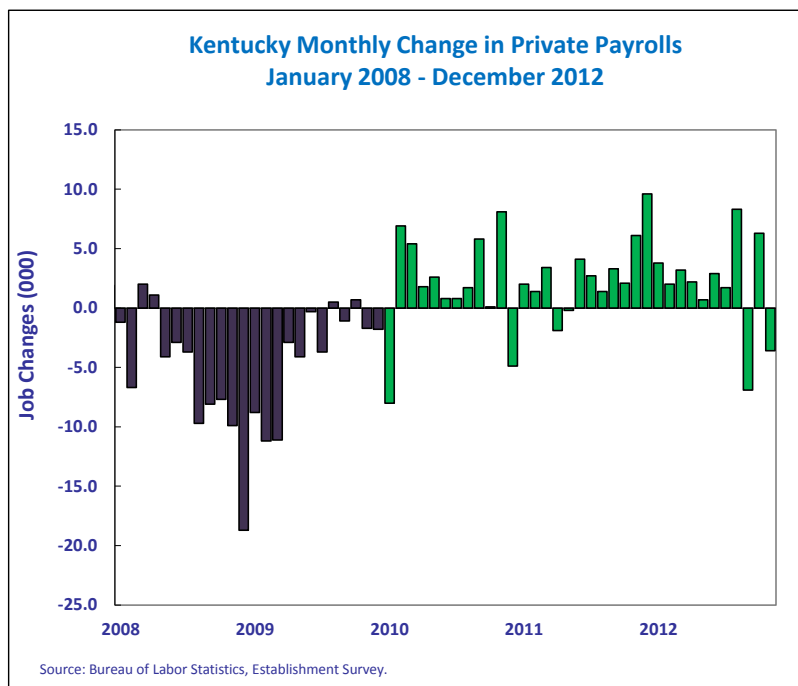
- Including December, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 34 consecutive months.
- In Kentucky, private sector employment fell by 8.0 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 5.9 percent.
- In Kentucky, employees in the manufacturing, construction, and information services sectors faced the largest job losses (as a percent of employment within an industry) over the recession. Since the beginning of 2010, the following sectors in Kentucky have experienced the greatest employment increases: professional and business services; leisure and hospitality; and trade, transportation and utilities.\*
- As the economy continues its emergence from the Great Recession, service-providing industries are projected to add the most jobs between 2010 and 2020. The largest gains over this period are expected to occur in the healthcare and social assistance, professional and business services, and retail trade sectors. Job gains in the goods-producing sector of the economy will be led by the construction and mining industries while the number of manufacturing jobs is expected to fall.

### EMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Kentucky was 8.1 percent in December 2012, up 2.5 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 10.7 percent in January 2010.
- 170,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Kentucky during December 2012.
- In Kentucky, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 21,461 during December, down 4.7 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 60,225 in February 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 64.4 percent.

### EARNINGS

- Between the start of the recession in the 4th quarter of 2007 and the 3rd quarter of 2009, inflation-adjusted total personal income in the United States declined 4.6 percent. Most recently, in the 3rd quarter of 2012, total personal income is 1.8 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.



- Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Kentucky was \$30,226.70 in the 3rd quarter of 2012, up from \$29,382.20 in the 3rd quarter of 2010.

### HOUSING

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 17.5 percent over 21 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2012 and the third quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 1.2 percent.
- In Kentucky, home prices fell by 3.7 percent over 9 quarters from their peak in the first quarter of 2009. Since the second quarter of 2011, home prices in Kentucky have risen by 1.6 percent.
- As of the 3rd quarter of 2012, 3.5 percent of all mortgages, including 11.4 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Kentucky.
- Housing starts in Kentucky totaled 7,080 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in November 2012, a decrease of 15.1 percent from October.
- Within the South census region, which includes Kentucky, sales of new single-family homes totaled 218,000 units in November 2012, an increase of 21.1 percent from October. Sales of existing single-family homes increased 6.1 percent to 1,750,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from October to November 2012.

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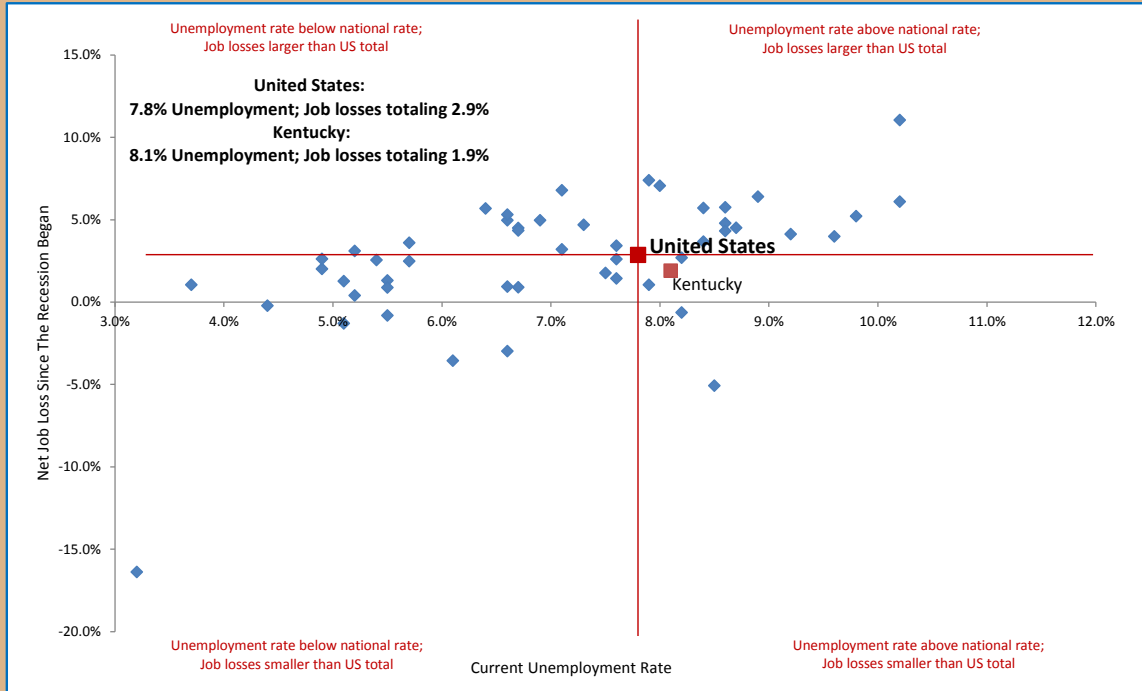


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States falling in the upper right quadrant have lost a disproportionate share of jobs, relative to the total United States, and have unemployment rates higher than the national unemployment rate. States falling in the lower left quadrant are experiencing lower unemployment rates and smaller job losses than the national average.



### STATE QUICK FACTS

		Kentucky	United States
<b>Unemployment Rates</b> .....	December 2009	10.7%	9.9%
	December 2010	10.0%	9.3%
	December 2011	9.0%	8.5%
	December 2012	8.1%	7.8%
<b>Percent of Population Who Are Veterans</b> .....	2011	10.0%	9.4%
<b>All Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	9.5%	8.3%
<b>Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	7.6%	12.1%
<b>Median Household Income</b> .....	2007	\$ 42,795	\$ 54,489
	(2011 \$)	2011	\$ 39,856
<b>Poverty Rate</b> .....	2007	15.5%	12.5%
	2011	16.0%	15.0%
<b>No Health Insurance</b> .....	2007	13.4%	14.7%
	2011	14.4%	15.7%



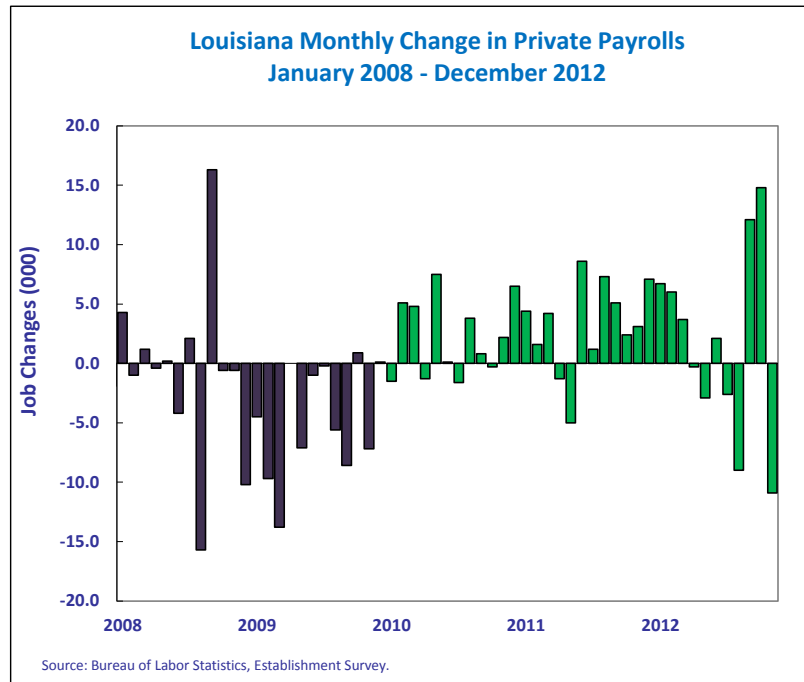
## Economic Overview And Outlook: Louisiana

### JOBS

- Including December, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 34 consecutive months.
- In Louisiana, private sector employment fell by 4.2 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 5.7 percent.
- In Louisiana, employees in the information services, manufacturing, and professional and business services sectors faced the largest job losses (as a percent of employment within an industry) over the recession. Since the beginning of 2010, the following sectors in Louisiana have experienced the greatest employment increases: mining; leisure and hospitality; and education and health services.\*
- As the economy continues its emergence from the Great Recession, service-providing industries are projected to add the most jobs between 2010 and 2020. The largest gains over this period are expected to occur in the healthcare and social assistance, professional and business services, and retail trade sectors. Job gains in the goods-producing sector of the economy will be led by the construction and mining industries while the number of manufacturing jobs is expected to fall.

### EMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Louisiana was 5.5 percent in December 2012, up 1.8 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 7.9 percent in November 2010.
- 115,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Louisiana during December 2012.
- In Louisiana, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 14,055 during December, up 4.9 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 66,686 in September 2008, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 78.9 percent.



### EARNINGS

- Between the start of the recession in the 4th quarter of 2007 and the 3rd quarter of 2009, inflation-adjusted total personal income in the United States declined 4.6 percent. Most recently, in the 3rd quarter of 2012, total personal income is 1.8 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.
- Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Louisiana was \$34,123.80 in the 3rd quarter of 2012, up from \$33,666.60 in the 3rd quarter of 2010.

### HOUSING

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 17.5 percent over 21 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2012 and the third quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 1.2 percent.
- In Louisiana, home prices fell by 3.6 percent over 9 quarters from their peak in the first quarter of 2009. Since the second quarter of 2011, home prices in Louisiana have risen by 2.7 percent.
- As of the 3rd quarter of 2012, 3.2 percent of all mortgages, including 10.1 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Louisiana.
- Housing starts in Louisiana totaled 15,970 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in November 2012, an increase of 2.4 percent from October.
- Within the South census region, which includes Louisiana, sales of new single-family homes totaled 218,000 units in November 2012, an increase of 21.1 percent from October. Sales of existing single-family homes increased 6.1 percent to 1,750,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from October to November 2012.

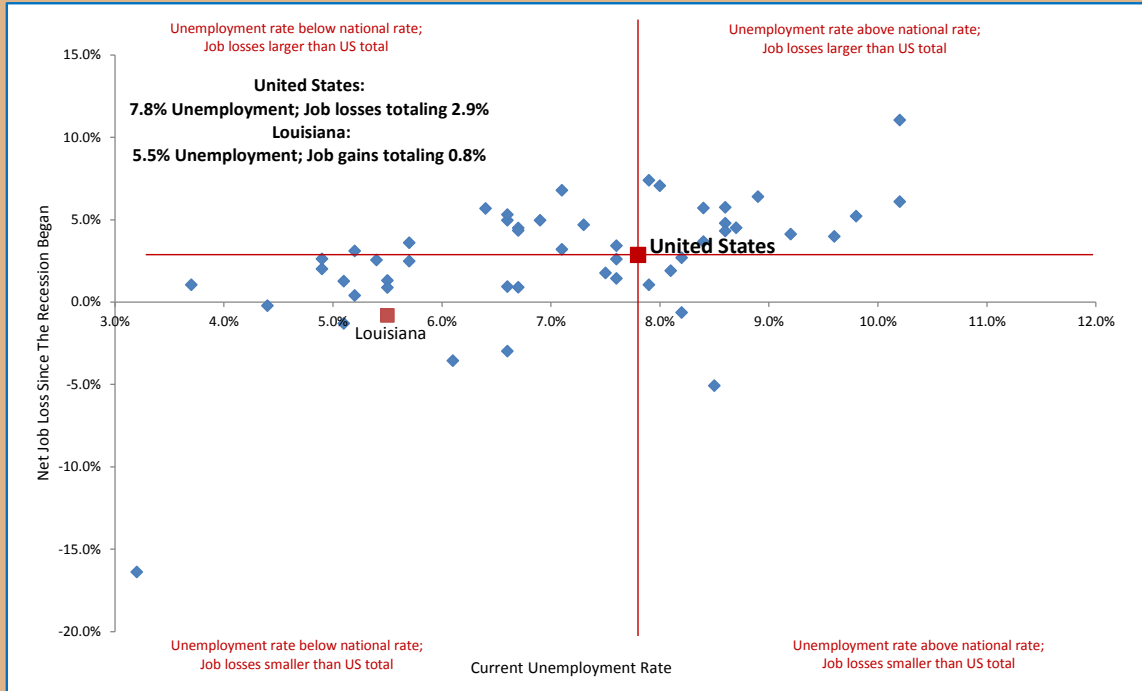
\* For Louisiana-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the Louisiana office:  
[http://www.laworks.net/LaborMarketInfo/LMI\\_MainMenu.asp](http://www.laworks.net/LaborMarketInfo/LMI_MainMenu.asp)

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### STATE QUICK FACTS

		Louisiana	United States
<b>Unemployment Rates</b> .....	December 2009	6.9%	9.9%
	December 2010	7.8%	9.3%
	December 2011	7.0%	8.5%
	December 2012	5.5%	7.8%
<b>Percent of Population Who Are Veterans</b> .....	2011	9.4%	9.4%
<b>All Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	4.2%	8.3%
<b>Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	10.3%	12.1%
<b>Median Household Income</b> .....	2007	\$ 44,813	\$ 54,489
	(2011 \$)	2011	\$ 40,658
<b>Poverty Rate</b> .....	2007	16.1%	12.5%
	2011	21.1%	15.0%
<b>No Health Insurance</b> .....	2007	18.0%	14.7%
	2011	20.8%	15.7%



## Economic Overview And Outlook: Maine

### JOBS

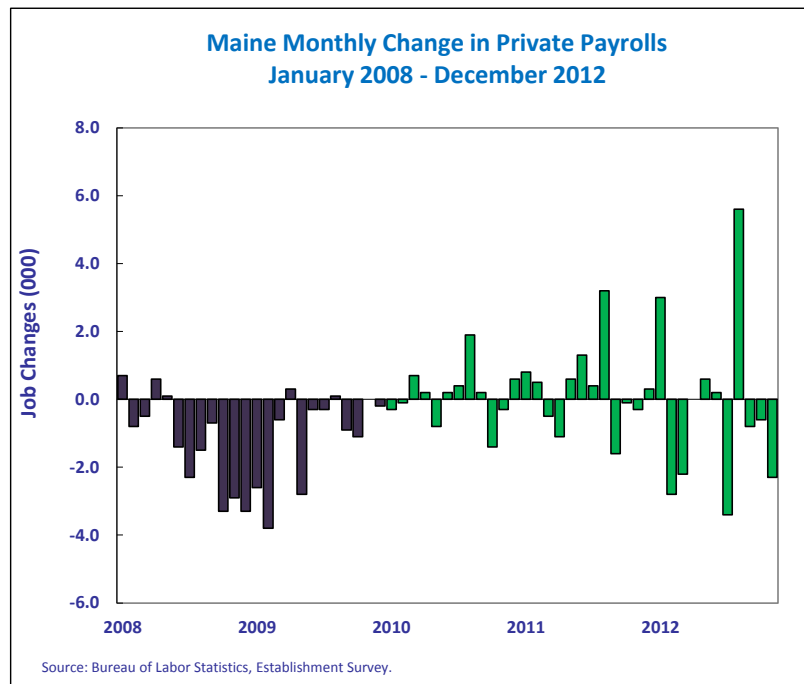
- Including December, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 34 consecutive months.
- In Maine, private sector employment fell by 5.4 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 0.5 percent.
- In Maine, employees in the mining, construction, and manufacturing sectors faced the largest job losses (as a percent of employment within an industry) over the recession. Since the beginning of 2010, the following sectors in Maine have experienced the greatest employment increases: mining; education and health services; and professional and business services.\*
- As the economy continues its emergence from the Great Recession, service-providing industries are projected to add the most jobs between 2010 and 2020. The largest gains over this period are expected to occur in the healthcare and social assistance, professional and business services, and retail trade sectors. Job gains in the goods-producing sector of the economy will be led by the construction and mining industries while the number of manufacturing jobs is expected to fall.

### EMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Maine was 7.3 percent in December 2012, up 2.5 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 8.4 percent in March 2010.
- 51,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Maine during December 2012.
- In Maine, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 6,839 during December, down 15.5 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 11,134 in March 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 38.6 percent.

### EARNINGS

- Between the start of the recession in the 4th quarter of 2007 and the 3rd quarter of 2009, inflation-adjusted total personal income in the United States declined 4.6 percent. Most recently, in the 3rd quarter of 2012, total personal income is 1.8 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.



- Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Maine was \$34,308.90 in the 3rd quarter of 2012, up from \$33,162.70 in the 3rd quarter of 2010.

### HOUSING

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 17.5 percent over 21 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2012 and the third quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 1.2 percent.
- In Maine, home prices fell by 12.3 percent over 17 quarters from their peak in the first quarter of 2008. Since the second quarter of 2012, home prices in Maine have risen by 0.6 percent.
- As of the 3rd quarter of 2012, 5.8 percent of all mortgages, including 16.9 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Maine.
- Housing starts in Maine totaled 2,960 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in November 2012, an increase of 43.7 percent from October.
- Within the Northeast census region, which includes Maine, sales of new single-family homes totaled 27,000 units in November 2012, an increase of 12.5 percent from October. Sales of existing single-family homes increased 8.5 percent to 510,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from October to November 2012.

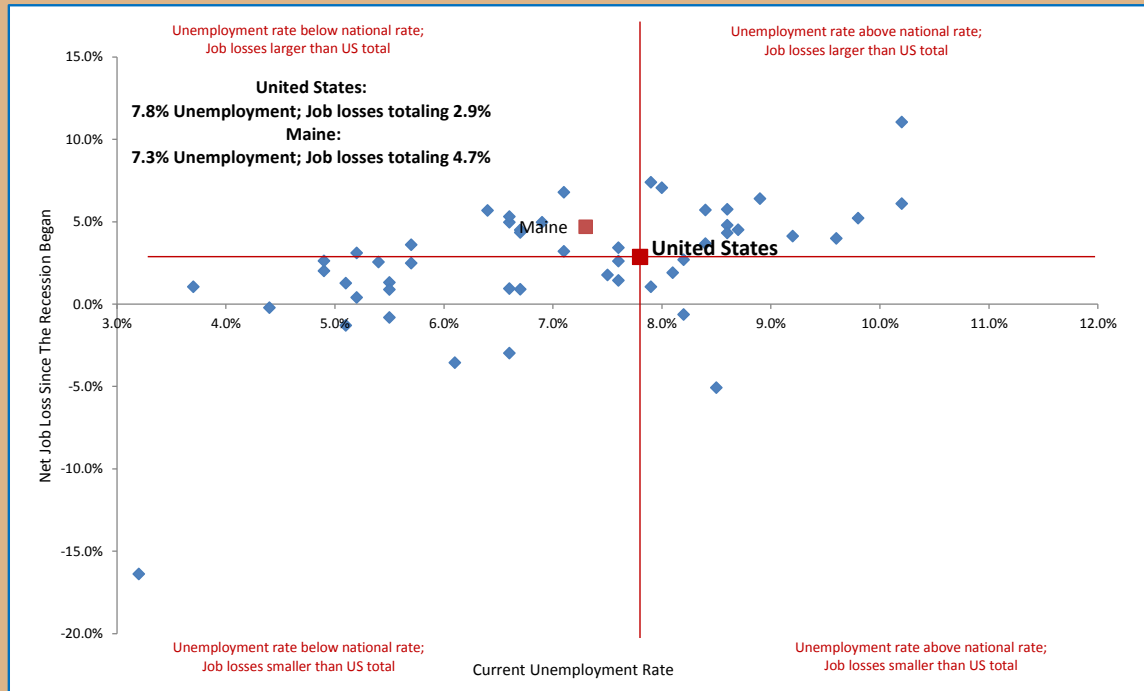
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### STATE QUICK FACTS

		Maine	United States
<b>Unemployment Rates</b> .....	December 2009	8.4%	9.9%
	December 2010	8.0%	9.3%
	December 2011	7.0%	8.5%
	December 2012	7.3%	7.8%
<b>Percent of Population Who Are Veterans</b> .....	2011	12.8%	9.4%
<b>All Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	7.5%	8.3%
<b>Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	8.7%	12.1%
<b>Median Household Income</b> .....	2007	\$ 51,952	\$ 54,489
	(2011 \$)	2011	\$ 49,693
<b>Poverty Rate</b> .....	2007	10.9%	12.5%
	2011	13.4%	15.0%
<b>No Health Insurance</b> .....	2007	8.5%	14.7%
	2011	10.0%	15.7%



## Economic Overview And Outlook: Maryland

### JOBS

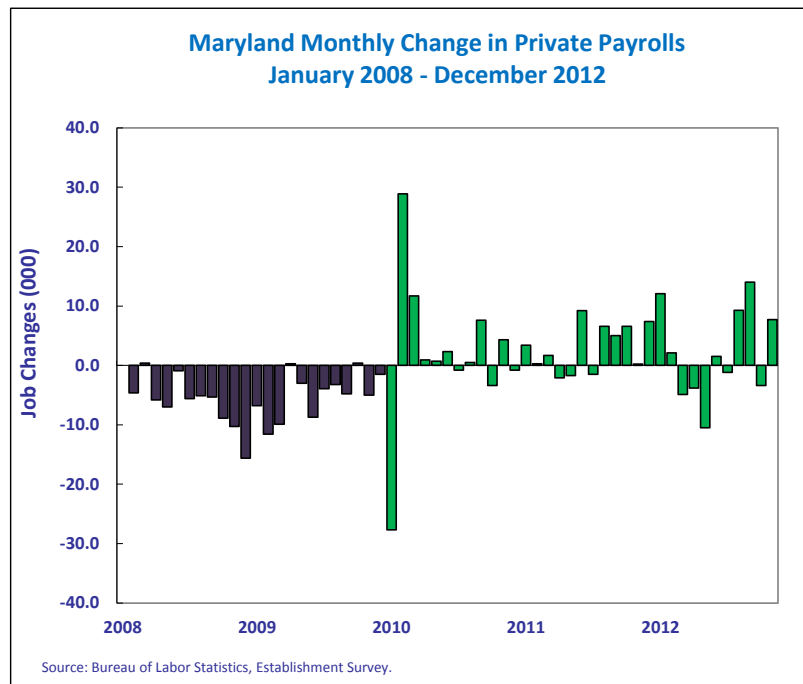
- Including December, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 34 consecutive months.
- In Maryland, private sector employment fell by 7.2 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 5.6 percent.
- In Maryland, employees in the natural resources, mining, construction, information services, and manufacturing sectors faced the largest job losses (as a percent of employment within an industry) over the recession. Since the beginning of 2010, the following sectors in Maryland have experienced the greatest employment increases: professional and business services; education and health services; and leisure and hospitality.\*
- As the economy continues its emergence from the Great Recession, service-providing industries are projected to add the most jobs between 2010 and 2020. The largest gains over this period are expected to occur in the healthcare and social assistance, professional and business services, and retail trade sectors. Job gains in the goods-producing sector of the economy will be led by the construction and mining industries while the number of manufacturing jobs is expected to fall.

### EMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Maryland was 6.6 percent in December 2012, up 3.3 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 8.0 percent in March 2010.
- 207,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Maryland during December 2012.
- In Maryland, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 24,713 during December, down 13.0 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 38,058 in May 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 35.1 percent.

### EARNINGS

- Between the start of the recession in the 4th quarter of 2007 and the 3rd quarter of 2009, inflation-adjusted total personal income in the United States declined 4.6 percent. Most recently, in the 3rd quarter of 2012, total personal income is 1.8 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.



- Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Maryland was \$44,733.20 in the 3rd quarter of 2012, up from \$43,849.00 in the 3rd quarter of 2010.

### HOUSING

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 17.5 percent over 21 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2012 and the third quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 1.2 percent.
- In Maryland, home prices fell by 24.1 percent over 20 quarters from their peak in the second quarter of 2007. Since the second quarter of 2012, home prices in Maryland have risen by 1.2 percent.
- As of the 3rd quarter of 2012, 4.9 percent of all mortgages, including 14.2 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Maryland.
- Housing starts in Maryland totaled 19,070 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in November 2012, an increase of 44.0 percent from October.
- Within the South census region, which includes Maryland, sales of new single-family homes totaled 218,000 units in November 2012, an increase of 21.1 percent from October. Sales of existing single-family homes increased 6.1 percent to 1,750,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from October to November 2012.

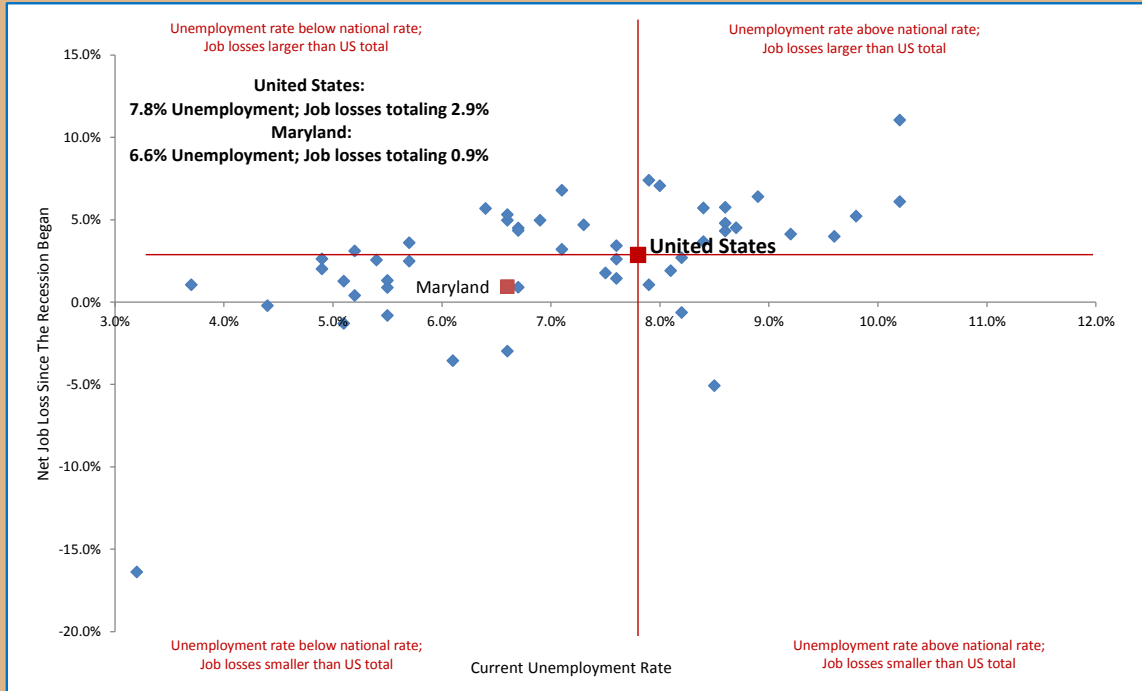
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### STATE QUICK FACTS

		Maryland	United States
<b>Unemployment Rates</b> .....	December 2009	8.0%	9.9%
	December 2010	7.5%	9.3%
	December 2011	6.6%	8.5%
	December 2012	6.6%	7.8%
<b>Percent of Population Who Are Veterans</b> .....	2011	9.7%	9.4%
<b>All Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	5.9%	8.3%
<b>Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	8.9%	12.1%
<b>Median Household Income</b> .....	2007	\$ 71,191	\$ 54,489
	(2011 \$) 2011	\$ 68,876	\$ 50,054
<b>Poverty Rate</b> .....	2007	8.8%	12.5%
	2011	9.3%	15.0%
<b>No Health Insurance</b> .....	2007	12.7%	14.7%
	2011	13.8%	15.7%



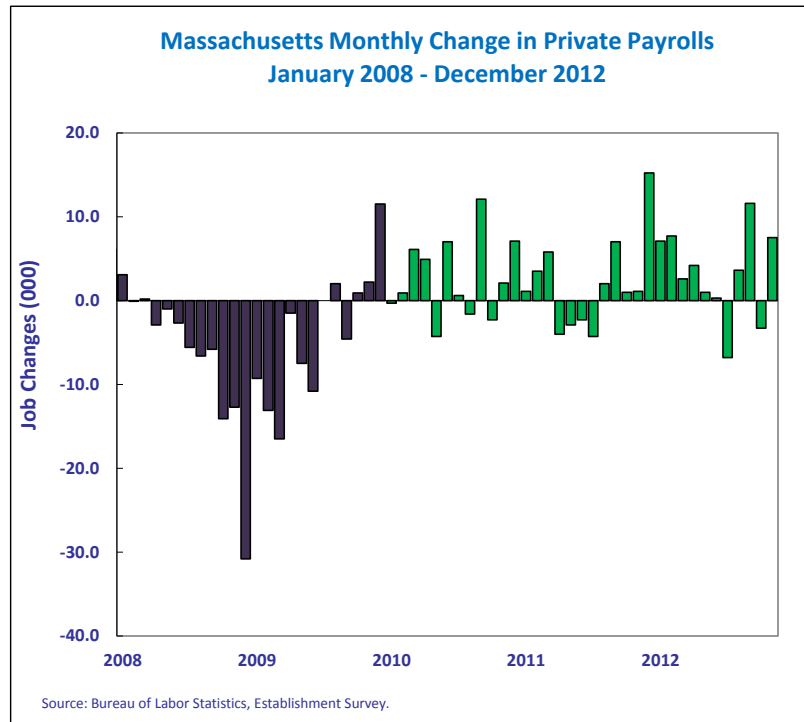
## Economic Overview And Outlook: Massachusetts

### JOBS

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- In Massachusetts, private sector employment fell by 4.4 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 3.3 percent.
- In Massachusetts, employees in the construction, mining, and manufacturing sectors faced the largest job losses (as a percent of employment within an industry) over the recession. Since the beginning of 2010, the following sectors in Massachusetts have experienced the greatest employment increases: professional and business services; leisure and hospitality; and other services.\*
- As the economy continues its emergence from the Great Recession, service-providing industries are projected to add the most jobs between 2010 and 2020. The largest gains over this period are expected to occur in the healthcare and social assistance, professional and business services, and retail trade sectors. Job gains in the goods-producing sector of the economy will be led by the construction and mining industries while the number of manufacturing jobs is expected to fall.

### EMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Massachusetts was 6.7 percent in December 2012, up 2.2 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 8.7 percent in February 2010.
- 234,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Massachusetts during December 2012.
- In Massachusetts, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 31,860 during October, down 3.3 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 58,320 in March 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 45.4 percent.



### EARNINGS

- Between the start of the recession in the 4th quarter of 2007 and the 3rd quarter of 2009, inflation-adjusted total personal income in the United States declined 4.6 percent. Most recently, in the 3rd quarter of 2012, total personal income is 1.8 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.

- Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Massachusetts was \$47,061.00 in the 3rd quarter of 2012, up from \$46,311.40 in the 3rd quarter of 2010.

### HOUSING

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 17.5 percent over 21 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2012 and the third quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 1.2 percent.
- In Massachusetts, home prices fell by 15.9 percent over 25 quarters from their peak in the first quarter of 2006. Since the second quarter of 2012, home prices in Massachusetts have risen by 0.6 percent.
- As of the 3rd quarter of 2012, 2.9 percent of all mortgages, including 10.7 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Massachusetts.
- Housing starts in Massachusetts totaled 11,640 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in November 2012, an increase of 49.6 percent from October.
- Within the Northeast census region, which includes Massachusetts, sales of new single-family homes totaled 27,000 units in November 2012, an increase of 12.5 percent from October. Sales of existing single-family homes increased 8.5 percent to 510,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from October to November 2012.

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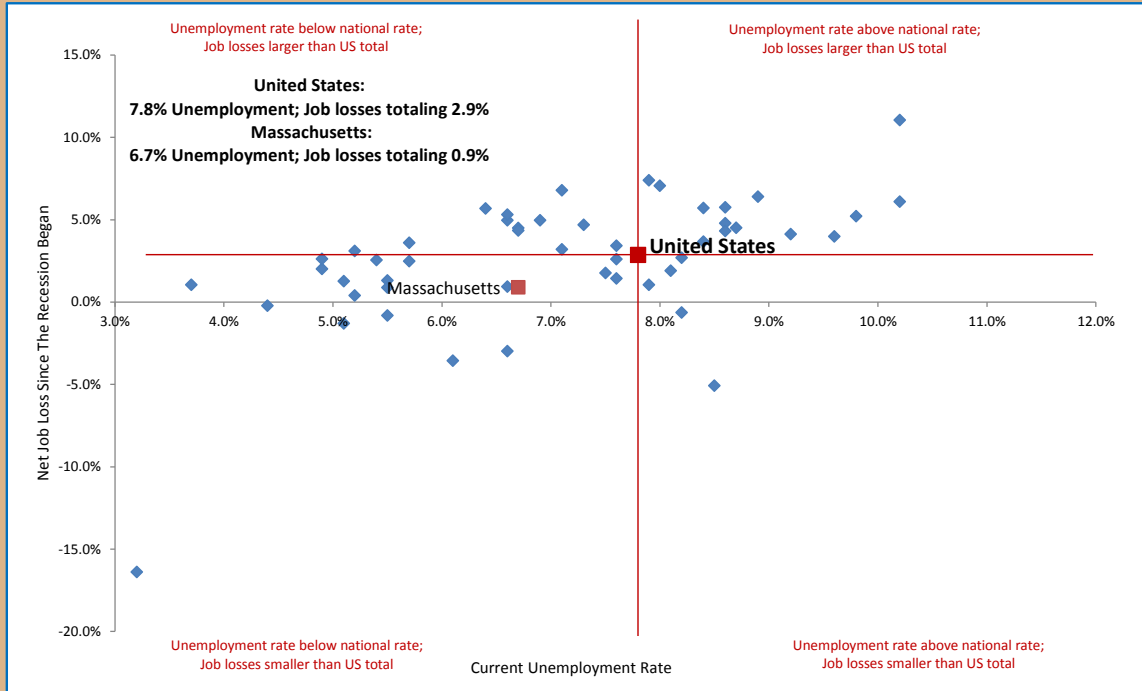


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### STATE QUICK FACTS

		Massachusetts	United States
<b>Unemployment Rates</b> .....	December 2009	8.7%	9.9%
	December 2010	7.9%	9.3%
	December 2011	6.9%	8.5%
	December 2012	6.7%	7.8%
<b>Percent of Population Who Are Veterans</b> .....	2011	7.9%	9.4%
<b>All Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	9.5%	8.3%
<b>Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	7.0%	12.1%
<b>Median Household Income</b> .....	2007	\$ 63,417	\$ 54,489
	(2011 \$)	2011	\$ 63,313
<b>Poverty Rate</b> .....	2007	11.2%	12.5%
	2011	10.6%	15.0%
<b>No Health Insurance</b> .....	2007	4.9%	14.7%
	2011	3.4%	15.7%



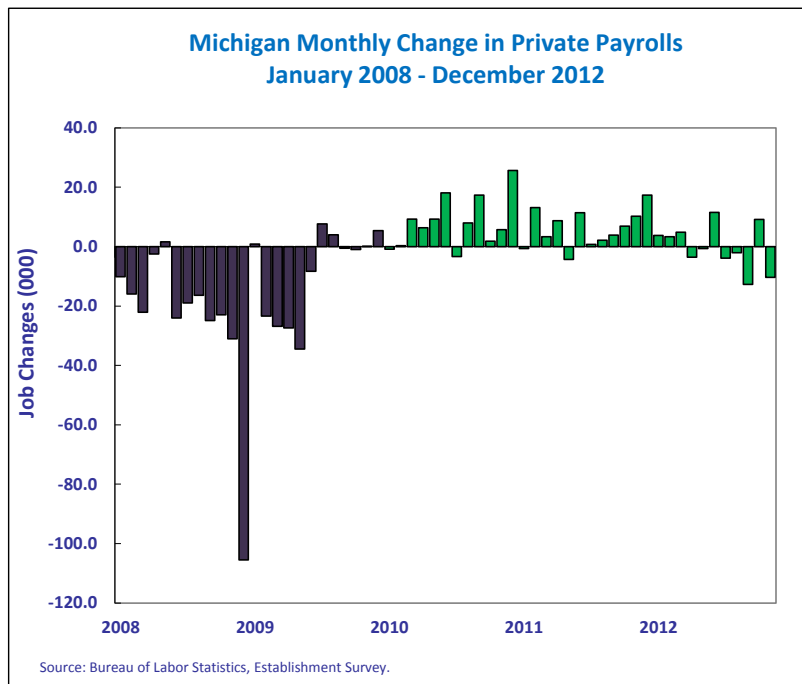
## Economic Overview And Outlook: Michigan

### JOBS

- Including December, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 34 consecutive months.
- In Michigan, private sector employment fell by 11.1 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 5.3 percent.
- In Michigan, employees in the manufacturing, construction, and professional and business services sectors faced the largest job losses (as a percent of employment within an industry) over the recession. Since the beginning of 2010, the following sectors in Michigan have experienced the greatest employment increases: manufacturing; professional and business services; and financial activities.\*
- As the economy continues its emergence from the Great Recession, service-providing industries are projected to add the most jobs between 2010 and 2020. The largest gains over this period are expected to occur in the healthcare and social assistance, professional and business services, and retail trade sectors. Job gains in the goods-producing sector of the economy will be led by the construction and mining industries while the number of manufacturing jobs is expected to fall.

### EMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Michigan was 8.9 percent in December 2012, up 1.7 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 14.2 percent in August 2009.
- 413,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Michigan during December 2012.
- In Michigan, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 60,639 during December, down 1.7 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 171,209 in May 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 64.6 percent.



### EARNINGS

- Between the start of the recession in the 4th quarter of 2007 and the 3rd quarter of 2009, inflation-adjusted total personal income in the United States declined 4.6 percent. Most recently, in the 3rd quarter of 2012, total personal income is 1.8 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.
- Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Michigan was \$32,391.00 in the 3rd quarter of 2012, up from \$31,215.10 in the 3rd quarter of 2010.

### HOUSING

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 17.5 percent over 21 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2012 and the third quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 1.2 percent.
- In Michigan, home prices fell by 27.4 percent over 23 quarters from their peak in the third quarter of 2005. Since the second quarter of 2011, home prices in Michigan have risen by 2.2 percent.
- As of the 3rd quarter of 2012, 2.5 percent of all mortgages, including 5.4 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Michigan.
- Housing starts in Michigan totaled 14,130 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in November 2012, an increase of 7.2 percent from October.
- Within the Midwest census region, which includes Michigan, sales of new single-family homes totaled 49,000 units in November 2012, a decrease of 12.5 percent from October. Sales of existing single-family homes increased 6.7 percent to 1,110,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from October to November 2012.

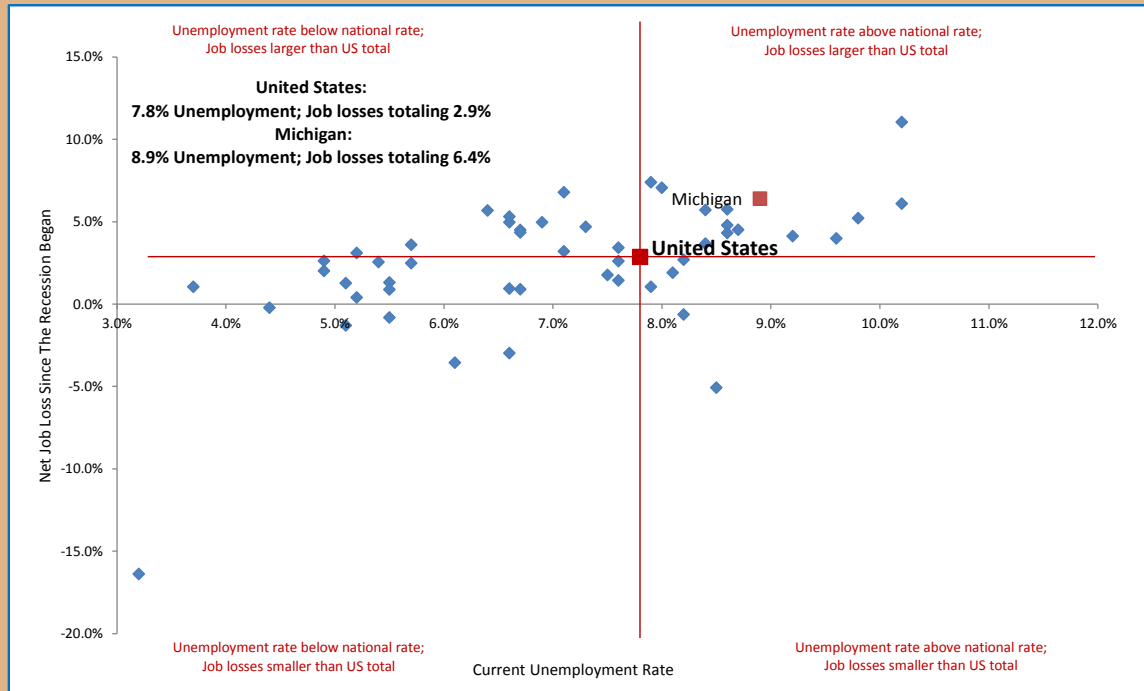
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## How Does Michigan Compare To Other States?

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The current unemployment rate (measured along the horizontal axis) serves as a gauge of current labor market conditions faced by residents, while the proportion of jobs lost within Michigan since the start of the recession (shown along the vertical axis) measures the toll the recession took on the job supply in Michigan.

States falling in the upper right quadrant have lost a disproportionate share of jobs, relative to the total United States, and have unemployment rates higher than the national unemployment rate. States falling in the lower left quadrant are experiencing lower unemployment rates and smaller job losses than the national average.



### STATE QUICK FACTS

		Michigan	United States
<b>Unemployment Rates</b> .....	December 2009	13.9%	9.9%
	December 2010	11.2%	9.3%
	December 2011	9.3%	8.5%
	December 2012	8.9%	7.8%
<b>Percent of Population Who Are Veterans</b> .....	2011	8.6%	9.4%
<b>All Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	11.3%	8.3%
<b>Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	14.4%	12.1%
<b>Median Household Income</b> .....	2007	\$ 53,553	\$ 54,489
	(2011 \$)	2011	\$ 48,879
<b>Poverty Rate</b> .....	2007	10.8%	12.5%
	2011	15.0%	15.0%
<b>No Health Insurance</b> .....	2007	10.8%	14.7%
	2011	12.5%	15.7%



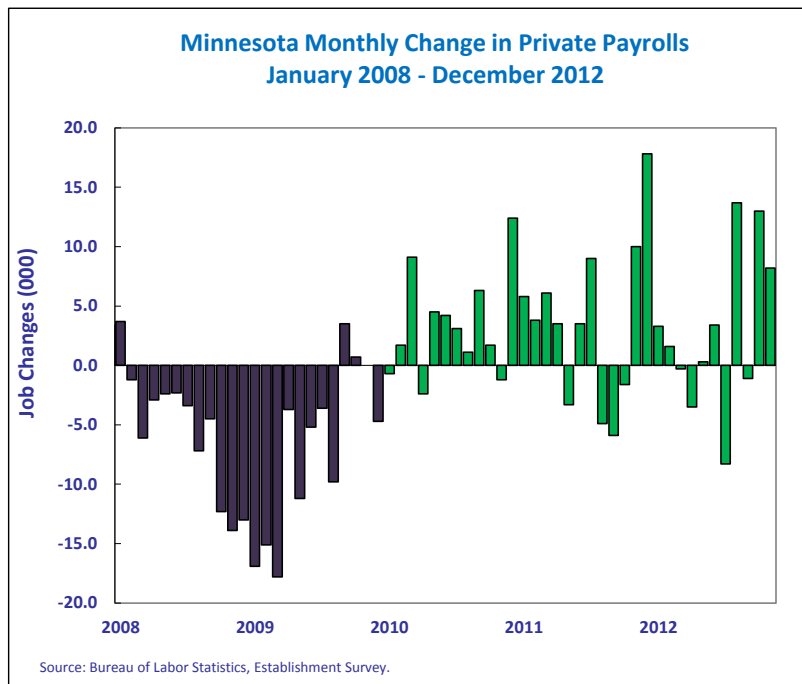
## Economic Overview And Outlook: Minnesota

### JOBS

- Including December, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 34 consecutive months.
- In Minnesota, private sector employment fell by 6.4 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 5.2 percent.
- In Minnesota, employees in the mining, construction, and manufacturing sectors faced the largest job losses (as a percent of employment within an industry) over the recession. Since the beginning of 2010, the following sectors in Minnesota have experienced the greatest employment increases: mining; professional and business services; and education and health services.\*
- As the economy continues its emergence from the Great Recession, service-providing industries are projected to add the most jobs between 2010 and 2020. The largest gains over this period are expected to occur in the healthcare and social assistance, professional and business services, and retail trade sectors. Job gains in the goods-producing sector of the economy will be led by the construction and mining industries while the number of manufacturing jobs is expected to fall.

### EMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Minnesota was 5.5 percent in December 2012, up 0.7 percentage point from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 8.3 percent in June 2009.
- 165,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Minnesota during December 2012.
- In Minnesota, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 24,434 during December, down 5.0 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 49,423 in July 2011, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 50.6 percent.



### EARNINGS

- Between the start of the recession in the 4th quarter of 2007 and the 3rd quarter of 2009, inflation-adjusted total personal income in the United States declined 4.6 percent. Most recently, in the 3rd quarter of 2012, total personal income is 1.8 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.
- Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Minnesota was \$39,727.10 in the 3rd quarter of 2012, up from \$38,533.40 in the 3rd quarter of 2010.

### HOUSING

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 17.5 percent over 21 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2012 and the third quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 1.2 percent.
- In Minnesota, home prices fell by 20.6 percent over 21 quarters from their peak in the first quarter of 2007. Since the second quarter of 2012, home prices in Minnesota have risen by 1.7 percent.
- As of the 3rd quarter of 2012, 2.1 percent of all mortgages, including 7.8 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Minnesota.
- Housing starts in Minnesota totaled 16,540 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in November 2012, a decrease of 17.1 percent from October.
- Within the Midwest census region, which includes Minnesota, sales of new single-family homes totaled 49,000 units in November 2012, a decrease of 12.5 percent from October. Sales of existing single-family homes increased 6.7 percent to 1,110,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from October to November 2012.

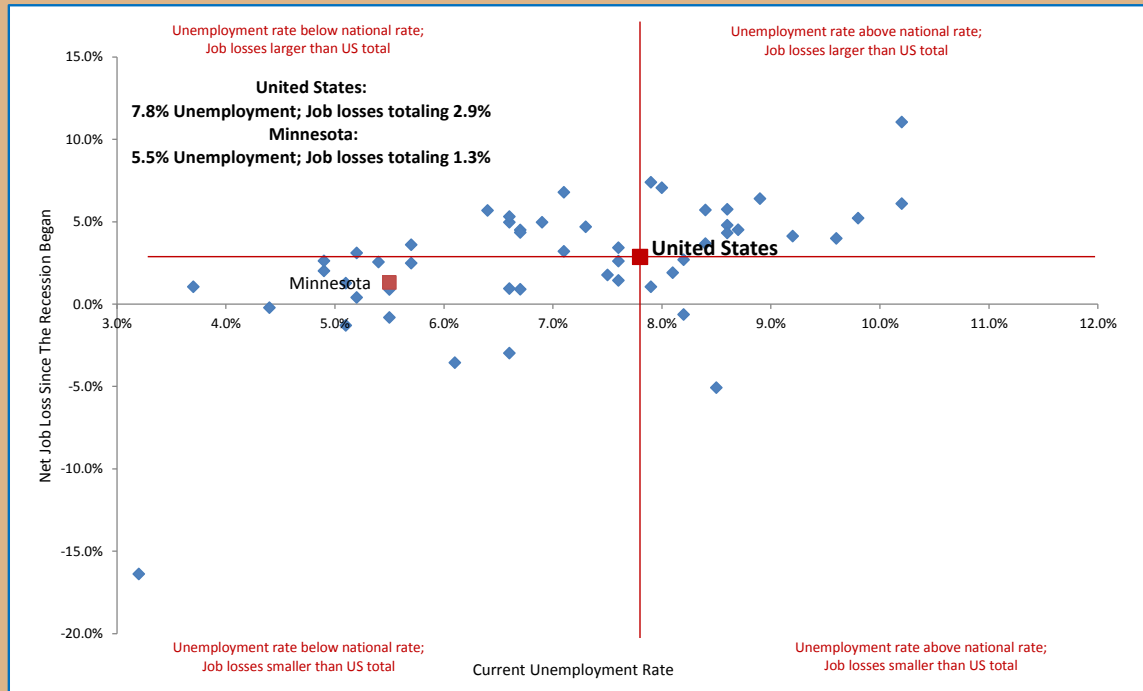
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[http://www.positivelyminnesota.com/Data\\_Publications/Data/](http://www.positivelyminnesota.com/Data_Publications/Data/)

## How Does Minnesota Compare To Other States?

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The current unemployment rate (measured along the horizontal axis) serves as a gauge of current labor market conditions faced by residents, while the proportion of jobs lost within Minnesota since the start of the recession (shown along the vertical axis) measures the toll the recession took on the job supply in Minnesota.

States falling in the upper right quadrant have lost a disproportionate share of jobs, relative to the total United States, and have unemployment rates higher than the national unemployment rate. States falling in the lower left quadrant are experiencing lower unemployment rates and smaller job losses than the national average.



### STATE QUICK FACTS

		Minnesota	United States
<b>Unemployment Rates</b> .....	December 2009	7.7%	9.9%
	December 2010	7.0%	9.3%
	December 2011	5.7%	8.5%
	December 2012	5.5%	7.8%
<b>Percent of Population Who Are Veterans</b> .....	2011	9.9%	9.4%
<b>All Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	5.9%	8.3%
<b>Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	11.7%	12.1%
<b>Median Household Income</b> .....	2007	\$ 62,977	\$ 54,489
	(2011 \$)	2011	\$ 57,820
<b>Poverty Rate</b> .....	2007	9.3%	12.5%
	2011	10.0%	15.0%
<b>No Health Insurance</b> .....	2007	8.0%	14.7%
	2011	9.2%	15.7%



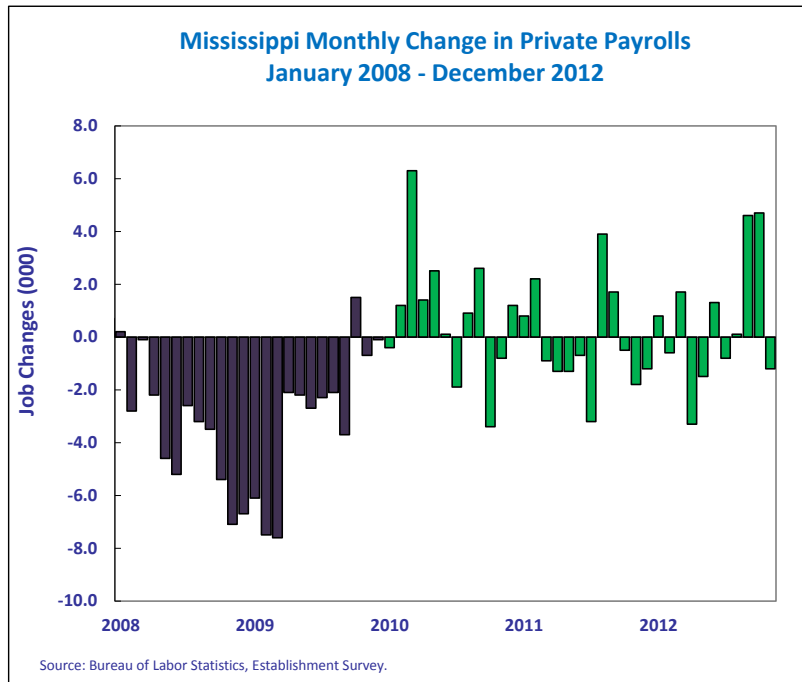
## Economic Overview And Outlook: Mississippi

### JOBS

- Including December, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 34 consecutive months.
- In Mississippi, private sector employment fell by 8.7 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 1.6 percent.
- In Mississippi, employees in the manufacturing, construction, and mining sectors faced the largest job losses (as a percent of employment within an industry) over the recession. Since the beginning of 2010, the following sectors in Mississippi have experienced the greatest employment increases: mining; professional and business services; and education and health services.\*
- As the economy continues its emergence from the Great Recession, service-providing industries are projected to add the most jobs between 2010 and 2020. The largest gains over this period are expected to occur in the healthcare and social assistance, professional and business services, and retail trade sectors. Job gains in the goods-producing sector of the economy will be led by the construction and mining industries while the number of manufacturing jobs is expected to fall.

### EMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Mississippi was 8.6 percent in December 2012, up 2.5 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 10.9 percent in September 2011.
- 115,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Mississippi during December 2012.
- In Mississippi, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 11,288 during December, down 9.7 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 25,567 in December 2008, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 55.8 percent.



### EARNINGS

- Between the start of the recession in the 4th quarter of 2007 and the 3rd quarter of 2009, inflation-adjusted total personal income in the United States declined 4.6 percent. Most recently, in the 3rd quarter of 2012, total personal income is 1.8 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.
- Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Mississippi was \$28,580.60 in the 3rd quarter of 2012, up from \$27,922.20 in the 3rd quarter of 2010.

### HOUSING

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 17.5 percent over 21 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2012 and the third quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 1.2 percent.
- In Mississippi, home prices fell by 7.9 percent over 12 quarters from their peak in the first quarter of 2008. Since the first quarter of 2011, home prices in Mississippi have risen by 1.1 percent.
- As of the 3rd quarter of 2012, 2.9 percent of all mortgages, including 7.9 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Mississippi.
- Housing starts in Mississippi totaled 4,510 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in November 2012, a decrease of 11.2 percent from October.
- Within the South census region, which includes Mississippi, sales of new single-family homes totaled 218,000 units in November 2012, an increase of 21.1 percent from October. Sales of existing single-family homes increased 6.1 percent to 1,750,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from October to November 2012.

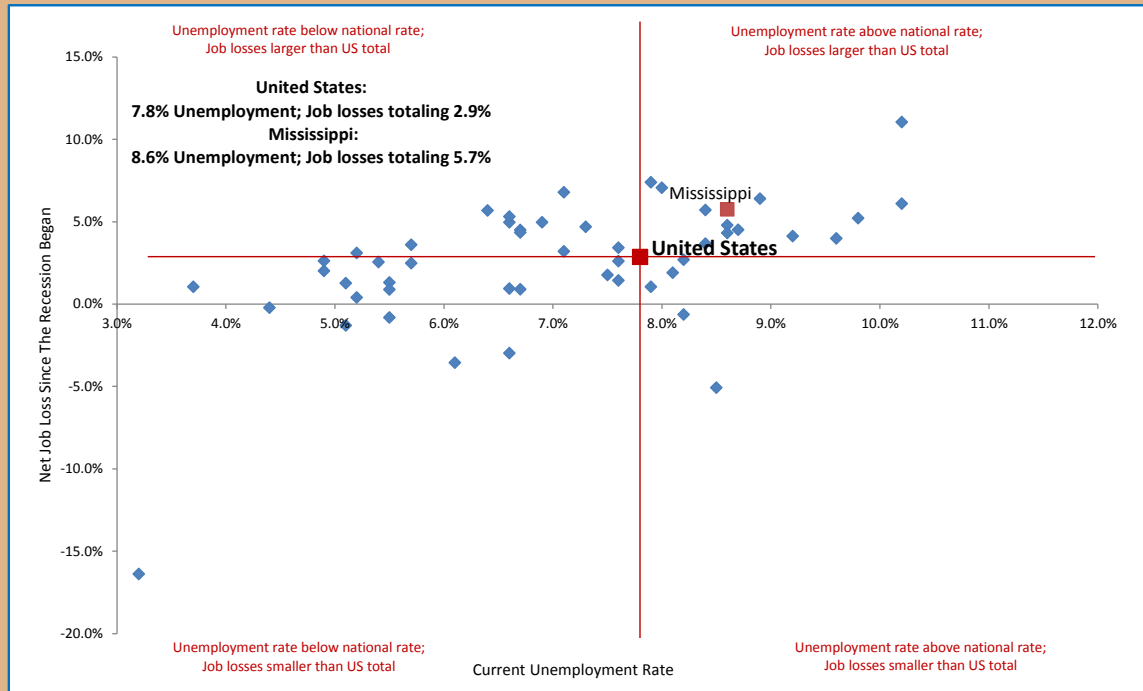
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States falling in the upper right quadrant have lost a disproportionate share of jobs, relative to the total United States, and have unemployment rates higher than the national unemployment rate. States falling in the lower left quadrant are experiencing lower unemployment rates and smaller job losses than the national average.



### STATE QUICK FACTS

		Mississippi	United States
<b>Unemployment Rates</b> .....	December 2009	10.8%	9.9%
	December 2010	10.5%	9.3%
	December 2011	10.4%	8.5%
	December 2012	8.6%	7.8%
<b>Percent of Population Who Are Veterans</b> .....	2011	8.8%	9.4%
<b>All Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	9.7%	8.3%
<b>Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	10.5%	12.1%
<b>Median Household Income</b> .....	2007	\$ 40,438	\$ 54,489
	(2011 \$) 2011	\$ 41,090	\$ 50,054
<b>Poverty Rate</b> .....	2007	22.6%	12.5%
	2011	17.4%	15.0%
<b>No Health Insurance</b> .....	2007	18.4%	14.7%
	2011	16.2%	15.7%



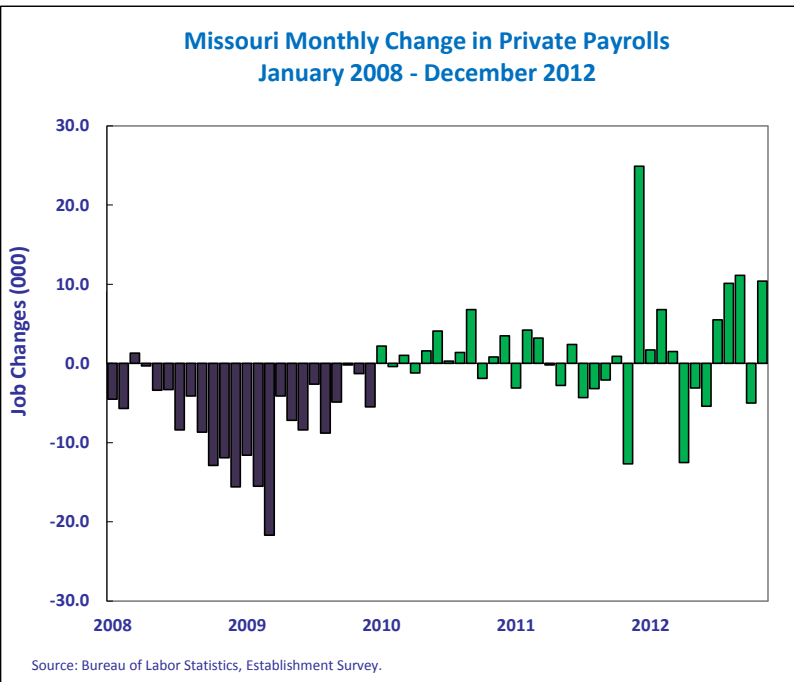
## Economic Overview And Outlook: Missouri

### JOBS

- Including December, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 34 consecutive months.
- In Missouri, private sector employment fell by 7.1 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 2.0 percent.
- In Missouri, employees in the mining, construction, and manufacturing sectors faced the largest job losses (as a percent of employment within an industry) over the recession. Since the beginning of 2010, the following sectors in Missouri have experienced the greatest employment increases: professional and business services; education and health services; and mining.\*
- As the economy continues its emergence from the Great Recession, service-providing industries are projected to add the most jobs between 2010 and 2020. The largest gains over this period are expected to occur in the healthcare and social assistance, professional and business services, and retail trade sectors. Job gains in the goods-producing sector of the economy will be led by the construction and mining industries while the number of manufacturing jobs is expected to fall.

### EMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Missouri was 6.7 percent in December 2012, up 1.4 percentage point from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 9.7 percent in August 2009.
- 201,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Missouri during December 2012.
- In Missouri, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 33,793 during December, up 13.5 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 63,492 in October 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 46.8 percent.



### EARNINGS

- Between the start of the recession in the 4th quarter of 2007 and the 3rd quarter of 2009, inflation-adjusted total personal income in the United States declined 4.6 percent. Most recently, in the 3rd quarter of 2012, total personal income is 1.8 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.
- Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Missouri was \$33,537.00 in the 3rd quarter of 2012, up from \$32,852.00 in the 3rd quarter of 2010.

### HOUSING

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 17.5 percent over 21 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2012 and the third quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 1.2 percent.
- In Missouri, home prices fell by 9.8 percent over 13 quarters from their peak in the first quarter of 2008. Since the second quarter of 2011, home prices in Missouri have risen by 1.1 percent.
- As of the 3rd quarter of 2012, 1.8 percent of all mortgages, including 5.6 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Missouri.
- Housing starts in Missouri totaled 13,580 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in November 2012, a decrease of 31.5 percent from October.
- Within the Midwest census region, which includes Missouri, sales of new single-family homes totaled 49,000 units in November 2012, a decrease of 12.5 percent from October. Sales of existing single-family homes increased 6.7 percent to 1,110,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from October to November 2012.

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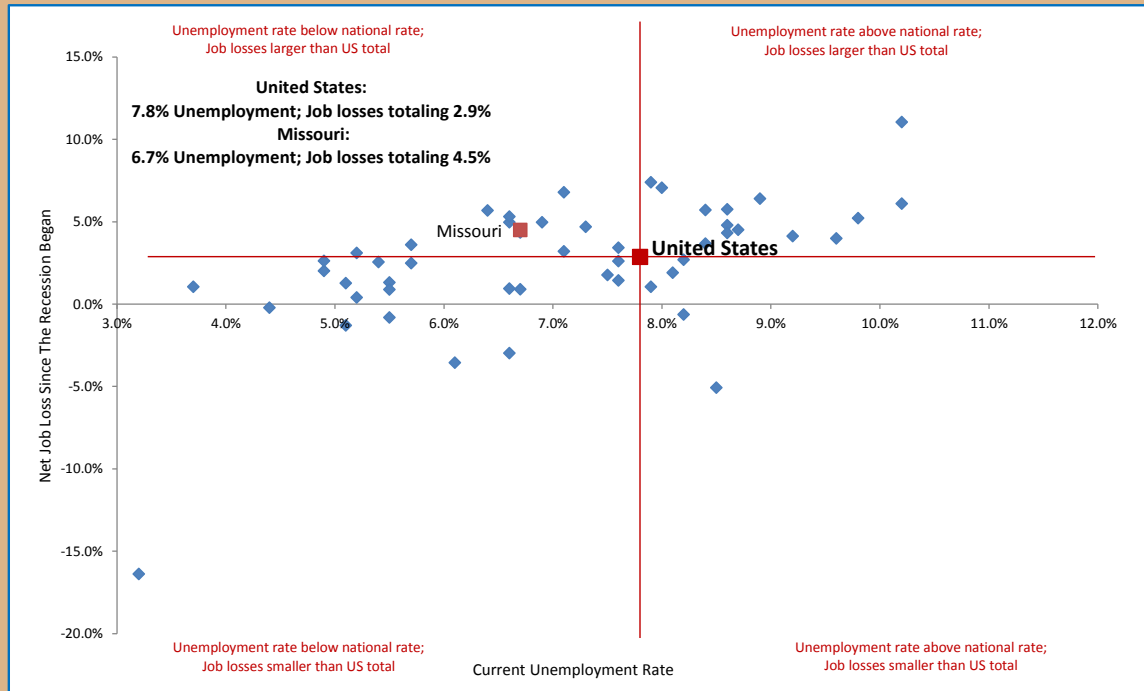


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States falling in the upper right quadrant have lost a disproportionate share of jobs, relative to the total United States, and have unemployment rates higher than the national unemployment rate. States falling in the lower left quadrant are experiencing lower unemployment rates and smaller job losses than the national average.



### STATE QUICK FACTS

		Missouri	United States
<b>Unemployment Rates</b> .....	December 2009	9.5%	9.9%
	December 2010	9.2%	9.3%
	December 2011	8.0%	8.5%
	December 2012	6.7%	7.8%
<b>Percent of Population Who Are Veterans</b> .....	2011	11.0%	9.4%
<b>All Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	7.2%	8.3%
<b>Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	9.2%	12.1%
<b>Median Household Income</b> .....	2007	\$ 49,903	\$ 54,489
	(2011 \$)	2011	\$ 45,774
<b>Poverty Rate</b> .....	2007	22.6%	12.5%
	2011	17.4%	15.0%
<b>No Health Insurance</b> .....	2007	12.2%	14.7%
	2011	14.9%	15.7%



## Economic Overview And Outlook: Montana

### JOBS

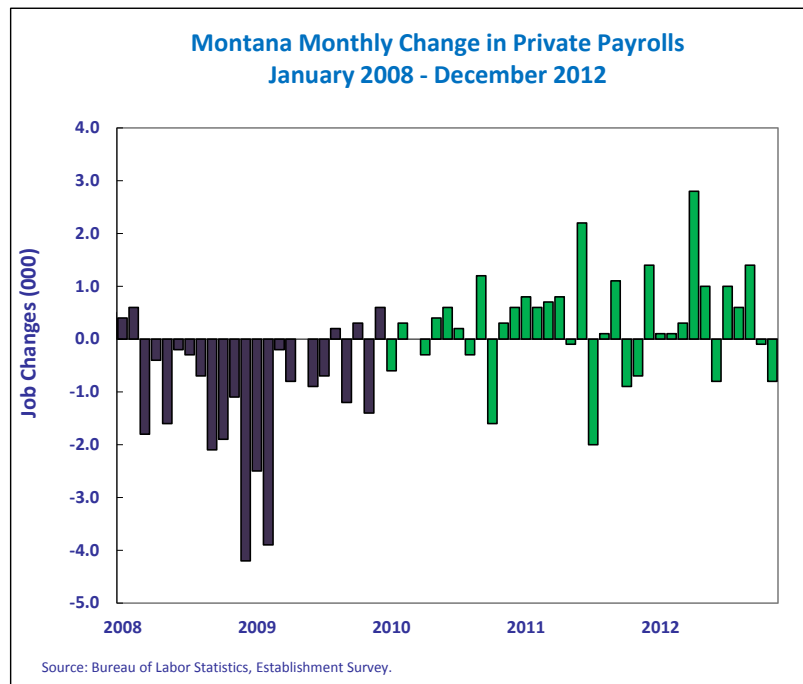
- Including December, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 34 consecutive months.
- In Montana, private sector employment fell by 6.8 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 3.3 percent.
- In Montana, employees in the construction, mining, and manufacturing sectors faced the largest job losses (as a percent of employment within an industry) over the recession. Since the beginning of 2010, the following sectors in Montana have experienced the greatest employment increases: mining; professional and business services; and education and health services.\*
- As the economy continues its emergence from the Great Recession, service-providing industries are projected to add the most jobs between 2010 and 2020. The largest gains over this period are expected to occur in the healthcare and social assistance, professional and business services, and retail trade sectors. Job gains in the goods-producing sector of the economy will be led by the construction and mining industries while the number of manufacturing jobs is expected to fall.

### EMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Montana was 5.7 percent in December 2012, up 2.0 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 7.0 percent in August 2011.
- 29,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Montana during December 2012.
- In Montana, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 6,031 during December, up 6.6 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 9,368 in March 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 35.6 percent.

### EARNINGS

- Between the start of the recession in the 4th quarter of 2007 and the 3rd quarter of 2009, inflation-adjusted total personal income in the United States declined 4.6 percent. Most recently, in the 3rd quarter of 2012, total personal income is 1.8 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.



- Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Montana was \$32,390.60 in the 3rd quarter of 2012, up from \$31,031.80 in the 3rd quarter of 2010.

### HOUSING

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 17.5 percent over 21 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2012 and the third quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 1.2 percent.
- In Montana, home prices fell by 9.4 percent over 13 quarters from their peak in the first quarter of 2008. Since the second quarter of 2011, home prices in Montana have risen by 1.8 percent.
- As of the 3rd quarter of 2012, 1.5 percent of all mortgages, including 8.7 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Montana.
- Housing starts in Montana totaled 3,010 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in November 2012, a decrease of 24.9 percent from October.
- Within the West census region, which includes Montana, sales of new single-family homes totaled 83,000 units in November 2012, a decrease of 17.8 percent from October. Sales of existing single-family homes increased 1.9 percent to 1,070,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from October to November 2012.

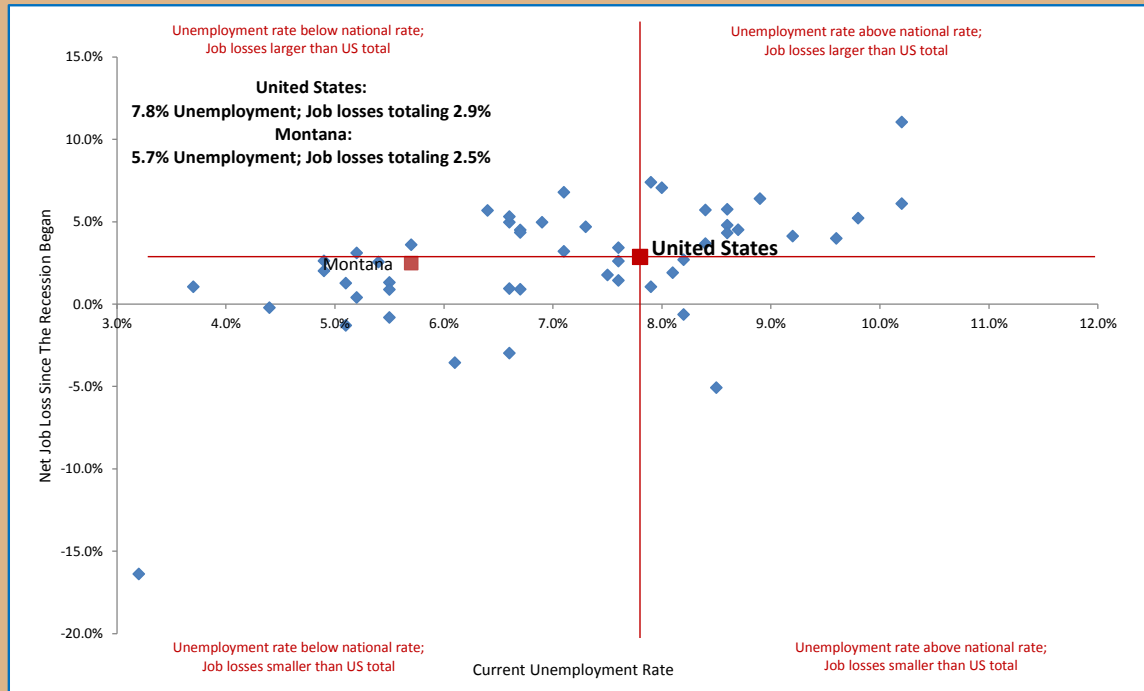
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The current unemployment rate (measured along the horizontal axis) serves as a gauge of current labor market conditions faced by residents, while the proportion of jobs lost within Montana since the start of the recession (shown along the vertical axis) measures the toll the recession took on the job supply in Montana.

States falling in the upper right quadrant have lost a disproportionate share of jobs, relative to the total United States, and have unemployment rates higher than the national unemployment rate. States falling in the lower left quadrant are experiencing lower unemployment rates and smaller job losses than the national average.



### STATE QUICK FACTS

		Montana	United States
<b>Unemployment Rates</b> .....	December 2009	6.7%	9.9%
	December 2010	7.0%	9.3%
	December 2011	6.6%	8.5%
	December 2012	5.7%	7.8%
<b>Percent of Population Who Are Veterans</b> .....	2011	13.5%	9.4%
<b>All Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	7.8%	8.3%
<b>Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	17.5%	12.1%
<b>Median Household Income</b> .....	2007	\$ 47,354	\$ 54,489
	(2011 \$)	2011	\$ 40,277
<b>Poverty Rate</b> .....	2007	13.0%	12.5%
	2011	16.5%	15.0%
<b>No Health Insurance</b> .....	2007	15.0%	14.7%
	2011	18.3%	15.7%



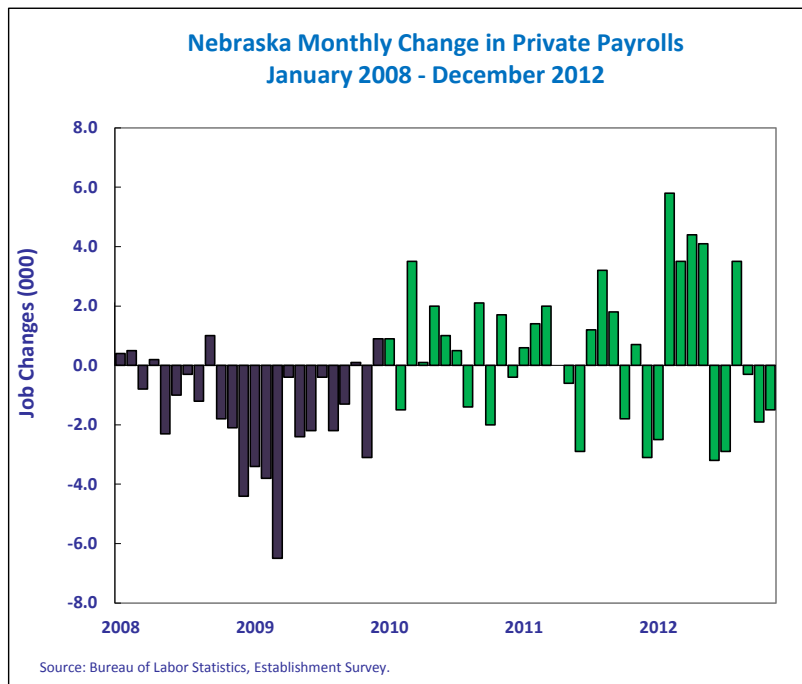
## Economic Overview And Outlook: Nebraska

### JOBS

- Including December, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 34 consecutive months.
- In Nebraska, private sector employment fell by 4.4 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 2.2 percent.
- In Nebraska, employees in the manufacturing, information services, and natural resources, mining, construction sectors faced the largest job losses (as a percent of employment within an industry) over the recession. Since the beginning of 2010, the following sectors in Nebraska have experienced the greatest employment increases: professional and business services; education and health services; and manufacturing.\*
- As the economy continues its emergence from the Great Recession, service-providing industries are projected to add the most jobs between 2010 and 2020. The largest gains over this period are expected to occur in the healthcare and social assistance, professional and business services, and retail trade sectors. Job gains in the goods-producing sector of the economy will be led by the construction and mining industries while the number of manufacturing jobs is expected to fall.

### EMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Nebraska was 3.7 percent in December 2012, up 0.7 percentage point from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 4.9 percent in February 2010.
- 39,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Nebraska during December 2012.
- In Nebraska, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 7,607 during December, up 0.1 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 10,842 in May 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 29.8 percent.



### EARNINGS

- Between the start of the recession in the 4th quarter of 2007 and the 3rd quarter of 2009, inflation-adjusted total personal income in the United States declined 4.6 percent. Most recently, in the 3rd quarter of 2012, total personal income is 1.8 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.
- Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Nebraska was \$37,523.40 in the 3rd quarter of 2012, up from \$35,743.20 in the 3rd quarter of 2010.

### HOUSING

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 17.5 percent over 21 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2012 and the third quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 1.2 percent.
- In Nebraska, home prices fell by 2.7 percent over 8 quarters from their peak in the first quarter of 2008. Since the first quarter of 2010, home prices in Nebraska have risen by 2.3 percent.
- As of the 3rd quarter of 2012, 1.3 percent of all mortgages, including 3.9 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Nebraska.
- Housing starts in Nebraska totaled 10,000 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in November 2012, an increase of 69.5 percent from October.
- Within the Midwest census region, which includes Nebraska, sales of new single-family homes totaled 49,000 units in November 2012, a decrease of 12.5 percent from October. Sales of existing single-family homes increased 6.7 percent to 1,110,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from October to November 2012.

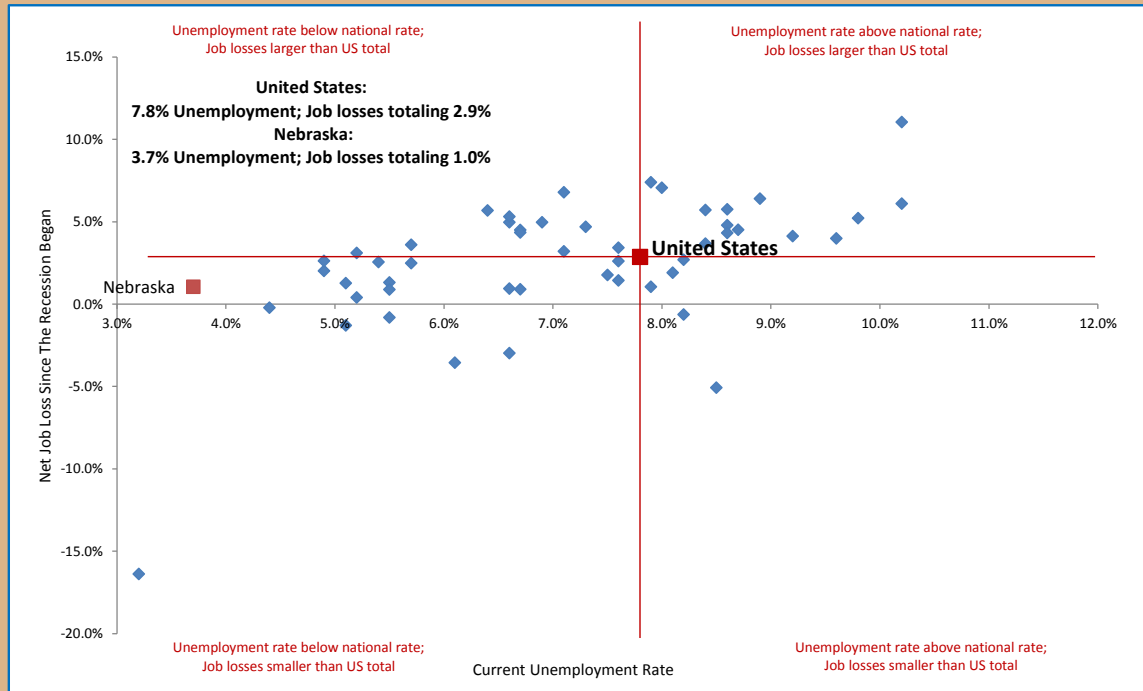
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## How Does Nebraska Compare To Other States?

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States falling in the upper right quadrant have lost a disproportionate share of jobs, relative to the total United States, and have unemployment rates higher than the national unemployment rate. States falling in the lower left quadrant are experiencing lower unemployment rates and smaller job losses than the national average.



### STATE QUICK FACTS

		Nebraska	United States
<b>Unemployment Rates</b> .....	December 2009	4.9%	9.9%
	December 2010	4.5%	9.3%
	December 2011	4.2%	8.5%
	December 2012	3.7%	7.8%
<b>Percent of Population Who Are Veterans</b> .....	2011	10.1%	9.4%
<b>All Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	3.9%	8.3%
<b>Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	11.0%	12.1%
<b>Median Household Income</b> .....	2007	\$ 53,340	\$ 54,489
	(2011 \$)	2011	\$ 55,616
<b>Poverty Rate</b> .....	2007	9.9%	12.5%
	2011	10.2%	15.0%
<b>No Health Insurance</b> .....	2007	13.0%	14.7%
	2011	12.3%	15.7%



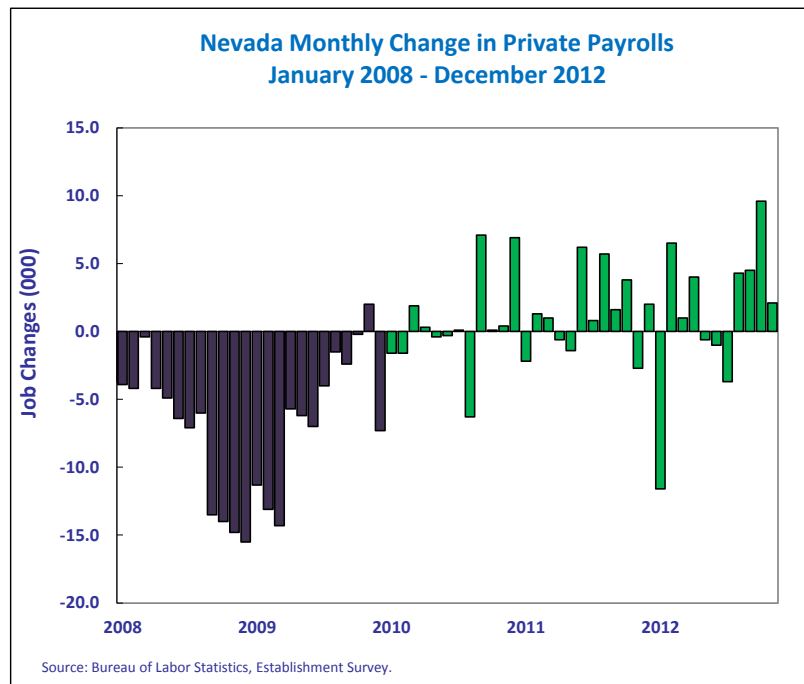
## Economic Overview And Outlook: Nevada

### JOBS

- Including December, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 34 consecutive months.
- In Nevada, private sector employment fell by 14.8 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 4.0 percent.
- In Nevada, employees in the construction, manufacturing, and professional and business services sectors faced the largest job losses (as a percent of employment within an industry) over the recession. Since the beginning of 2010, the following sectors in Nevada have experienced the greatest employment increases: mining; education and health services; and leisure and hospitality.\*
- As the economy continues its emergence from the Great Recession, service-providing industries are projected to add the most jobs between 2010 and 2020. The largest gains over this period are expected to occur in the healthcare and social assistance, professional and business services, and retail trade sectors. Job gains in the goods-producing sector of the economy will be led by the construction and mining industries while the number of manufacturing jobs is expected to fall.

### EMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Nevada was 10.2 percent in December 2012, up 5.0 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 14.0 percent in October 2010.
- 139,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Nevada during December 2012.
- In Nevada, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 17,926 during December, down 6.5 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 32,610 in May 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 45.0 percent.



### EARNINGS

- Between the start of the recession in the 4th quarter of 2007 and the 3rd quarter of 2009, inflation-adjusted total personal income in the United States declined 4.6 percent. Most recently, in the 3rd quarter of 2012, total personal income is 1.8 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.
- Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Nevada was \$32,326.00 in the 3rd quarter of 2012, down from \$32,339.90 in the 3rd quarter of 2010.

### HOUSING

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 17.5 percent over 21 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2012 and the third quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 1.2 percent.
- In Nevada, home prices fell by 55.0 percent over 23 quarters from their peak in the third quarter of 2006. Since the second quarter of 2012, home prices in Nevada have risen by 1.2 percent.
- As of the 3rd quarter of 2012, 5.9 percent of all mortgages, including 13.3 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Nevada.
- Housing starts in Nevada totaled 8,860 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in November 2012, a decrease of 7.1 percent from October.
- Within the West census region, which includes Nevada, sales of new single-family homes totaled 83,000 units in November 2012, a decrease of 17.8 percent from October. Sales of existing single-family homes increased 1.9 percent to 1,070,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from October to November 2012.

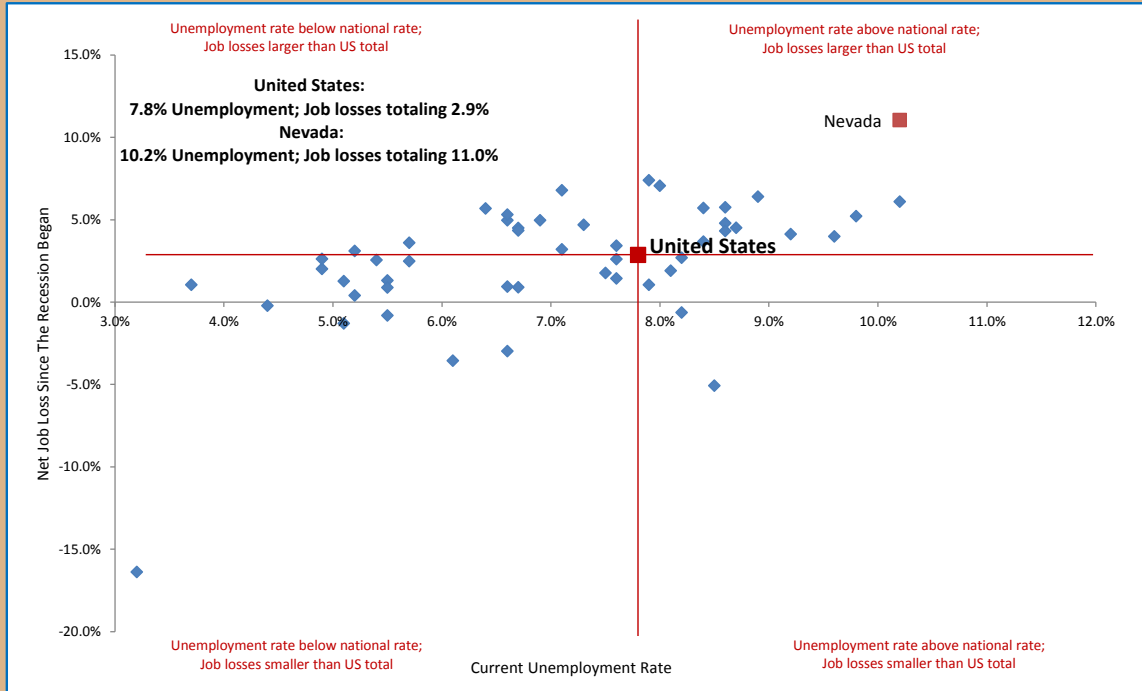
\* For Nevada-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the Nevada office: <http://www.nevadaworkforce.com/>

## How Does Nevada Compare To Other States?

Workers across the country were hard hit during the Great Recession. Although labor markets in many states have started recovering, employment in most states still remains below pre-recession levels. The chart below allows you to compare Nevada to other states using two metrics.

The current unemployment rate (measured along the horizontal axis) serves as a gauge of current labor market conditions faced by residents, while the proportion of jobs lost within Nevada since the start of the recession (shown along the vertical axis) measures the toll the recession took on the job supply in Nevada.

States falling in the upper right quadrant have lost a disproportionate share of jobs, relative to the total United States, and have unemployment rates higher than the national unemployment rate. States falling in the lower left quadrant are experiencing lower unemployment rates and smaller job losses than the national average.



### STATE QUICK FACTS

		Nevada	United States
<b>Unemployment Rates</b> .....	December 2009	13.2%	9.9%
	December 2010	13.9%	9.3%
	December 2011	13.0%	8.5%
	December 2012	10.2%	7.8%
<b>Percent of Population Who Are Veterans</b> .....	2011	11.1%	9.4%
<b>All Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	13.2%	8.3%
<b>Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	18.9%	12.1%
<b>Median Household Income</b> .....	2007	\$ 58,638	\$ 54,489
	(2011 \$)	2011	\$ 47,043
<b>Poverty Rate</b> .....	2007	9.7%	12.5%
	2011	15.5%	15.0%
<b>No Health Insurance</b> .....	2007	16.9%	14.7%
	2011	22.6%	15.7%



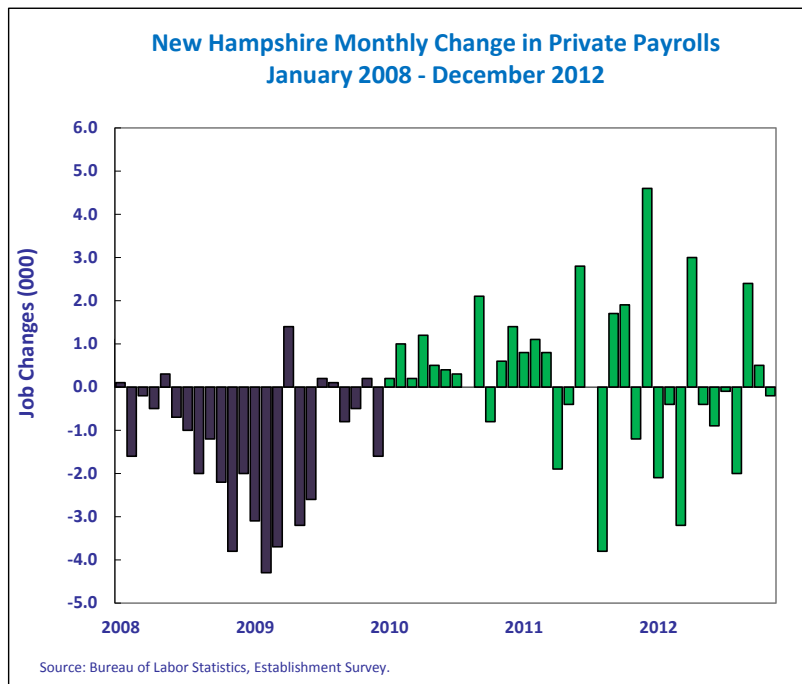
## Economic Overview And Outlook: New Hampshire

### JOBS

- Including December, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 34 consecutive months.
- In New Hampshire, private sector employment fell by 5.8 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 1.9 percent.
- In New Hampshire, employees in the construction, manufacturing, and professional and business services sectors faced the largest job losses (as a percent of employment within an industry) over the recession. Since the beginning of 2010, the following sectors in New Hampshire have experienced the greatest employment increases: other services; professional and business services; and leisure and hospitality.\*
- As the economy continues its emergence from the Great Recession, service-providing industries are projected to add the most jobs between 2010 and 2020. The largest gains over this period are expected to occur in the healthcare and social assistance, professional and business services, and retail trade sectors. Job gains in the goods-producing sector of the economy will be led by the construction and mining industries while the number of manufacturing jobs is expected to fall.

### EMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in New Hampshire was 5.7 percent in December 2012, up 2.3 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 6.7 percent in January 2010.
- 42,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in New Hampshire during December 2012.
- In New Hampshire, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 5,471 during December, down 4.1 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 10,653 in March 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 48.6 percent.



### EARNINGS

- Between the start of the recession in the 4th quarter of 2007 and the 3rd quarter of 2009, inflation-adjusted total personal income in the United States declined 4.6 percent. Most recently, in the 3rd quarter of 2012, total personal income is 1.8 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.
- Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in New Hampshire was \$40,680.80 in the 3rd quarter of 2012, up from \$39,822.50 in the 3rd quarter of 2010.

### HOUSING

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 17.5 percent over 21 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2012 and the third quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 1.2 percent.
- In New Hampshire, home prices fell by 18.9 percent over 25 quarters from their peak in the first quarter of 2006. Since the second quarter of 2012, home prices in New Hampshire have risen by 0.6 percent.
- As of the 3rd quarter of 2012, 2.3 percent of all mortgages, including 7.6 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in New Hampshire.
- Housing starts in New Hampshire totaled 2,410 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in November 2012, an increase of 5.7 percent from October.
- Within the Northeast census region, which includes New Hampshire, sales of new single-family homes totaled 27,000 units in November 2012, an increase of 12.5 percent from October. Sales of existing single-family homes increased 8.5 percent to 510,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from October to November 2012.

\* For New Hampshire-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the New Hampshire office: <http://www.nh.gov/nhes/elmi/>

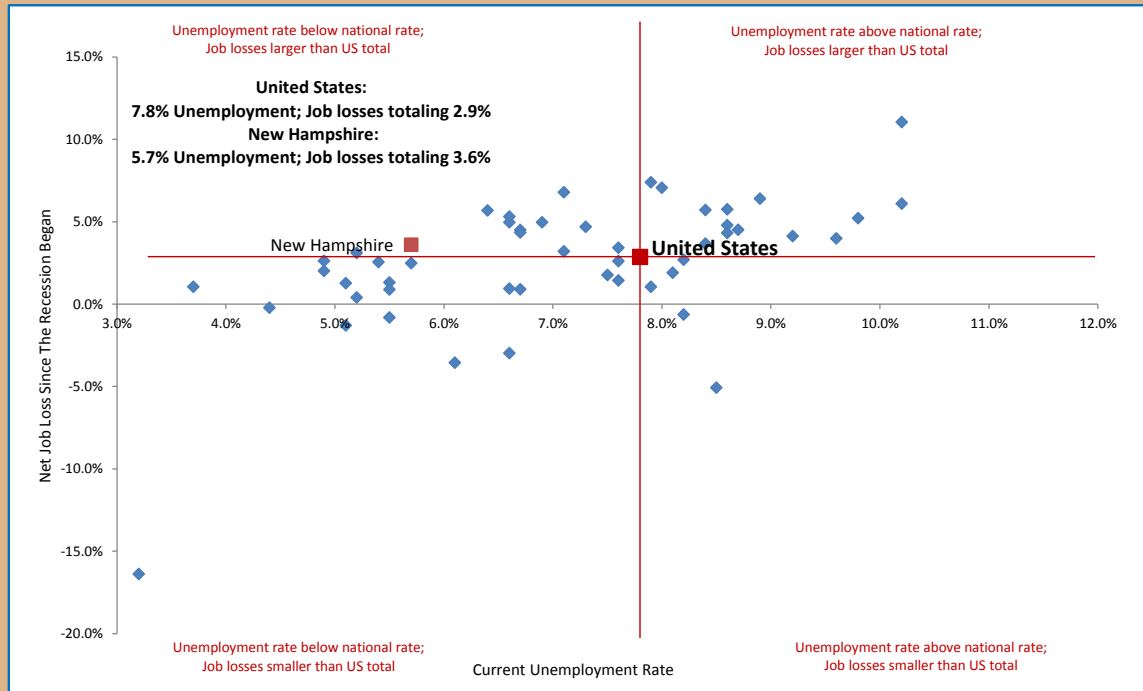


## How Does New Hampshire Compare To Other States?

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The current unemployment rate (measured along the horizontal axis) serves as a gauge of current labor market conditions faced by residents, while the proportion of jobs lost within New Hampshire since the start of the recession (shown along the vertical axis) measures the toll the recession took on the job supply in New Hampshire.

States falling in the upper right quadrant have lost a disproportionate share of jobs, relative to the total United States, and have unemployment rates higher than the national unemployment rate. States falling in the lower left quadrant are experiencing lower unemployment rates and smaller job losses than the national average.



### STATE QUICK FACTS

		New Hampshire	United States
<b>Unemployment Rates</b> .....	December 2009	6.7%	9.9%
	December 2010	5.7%	9.3%
	December 2011	5.2%	8.5%
	December 2012	5.7%	7.8%
<b>Percent of Population Who Are Veterans</b> .....	2011	11.4%	9.4%
<b>All Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	4.3%	8.3%
<b>Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	8.9%	12.1%
<b>Median Household Income</b> .....	2007	\$ 73,302	\$ 54,489
	(2011 \$)	2011	\$ 65,880
<b>Poverty Rate</b> .....	2007	5.8%	12.5%
	2011	7.6%	15.0%
<b>No Health Insurance</b> .....	2007	9.9%	14.7%
	2011	12.5%	15.7%



## Economic Overview And Outlook: New Jersey

### JOBS

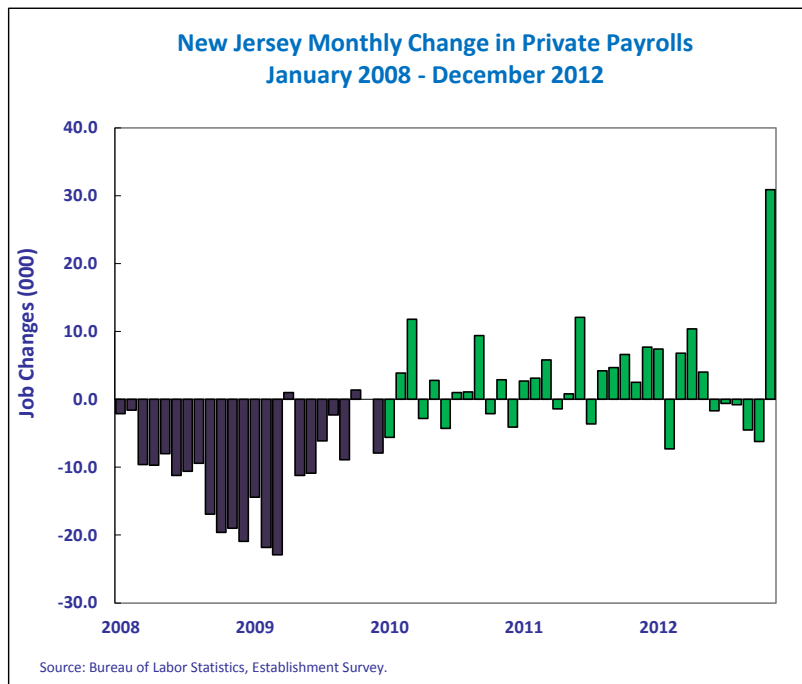
- Including December, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 34 consecutive months.
- In New Jersey, private sector employment fell by 7.2 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 3.2 percent.
- In New Jersey, employees in the construction, manufacturing, and mining sectors faced the largest job losses (as a percent of employment within an industry) over the recession. Since the beginning of 2010, the following sectors in New Jersey have experienced the greatest employment increases: professional and business services; other services; and education and health services.\*
- As the economy continues its emergence from the Great Recession, service-providing industries are projected to add the most jobs between 2010 and 2020. The largest gains over this period are expected to occur in the healthcare and social assistance, professional and business services, and retail trade sectors. Job gains in the goods-producing sector of the economy will be led by the construction and mining industries while the number of manufacturing jobs is expected to fall.

### EMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in New Jersey was 9.6 percent in December 2012, up 5.0 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 9.9 percent in August 2012.
- 444,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in New Jersey during December 2012.
- In New Jersey, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 58,778 during December, down 61.4 percent from the previous month, when initial claims for unemployment benefits spiked in large part due to the effects of Hurricane Sandy.

### EARNINGS

- Between the start of the recession in the 4th quarter of 2007 and the 3rd quarter of 2009, inflation-adjusted total personal income in the United States declined 4.6 percent. Most recently, in the 3rd quarter of 2012, total personal income is 1.8 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.



- Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in New Jersey was \$46,195.40 in the 3rd quarter of 2012, up from \$45,452.10 in the 3rd quarter of 2010.

### HOUSING

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 17.5 percent over 21 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2012 and the third quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 1.2 percent.
- In New Jersey, home prices fell by 20.7 percent over 21 quarters from their peak in the first quarter of 2007. Since the second quarter of 2012, home prices in New Jersey have risen by 0.5 percent.
- As of the 3rd quarter of 2012, 8.9 percent of all mortgages, including 27.3 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in New Jersey.
- Housing starts in New Jersey totaled 13,970 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in November 2012, a decrease of 15.9 percent from October.
- Within the Northeast census region, which includes New Jersey, sales of new single-family homes totaled 27,000 units in November 2012, an increase of 12.5 percent from October. Sales of existing single-family homes increased 8.5 percent to 510,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from October to November 2012.

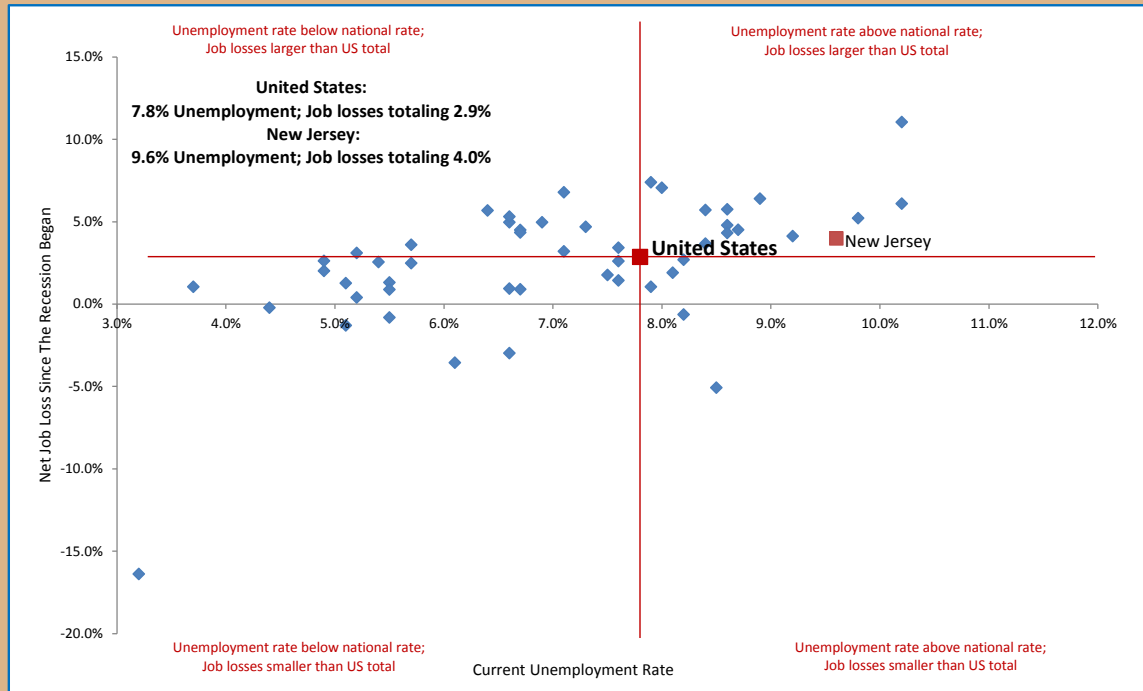
\* For New Jersey-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the New Jersey office: [http://lwd.dol.state.nj.us/labor/lpa/LMI\\_index.html](http://lwd.dol.state.nj.us/labor/lpa/LMI_index.html)

## How Does New Jersey Compare To Other States?

Workers across the country were hard hit during the Great Recession. Although labor markets in many states have started recovering, employment in most states still remains below pre-recession levels. The chart below allows you to compare New Jersey to other states using two metrics.

The current unemployment rate (measured along the horizontal axis) serves as a gauge of current labor market conditions faced by residents, while the proportion of jobs lost within New Jersey since the start of the recession (shown along the vertical axis) measures the toll the recession took on the job supply in New Jersey.

States falling in the upper right quadrant have lost a disproportionate share of jobs, relative to the total United States, and have unemployment rates higher than the national unemployment rate. States falling in the lower left quadrant are experiencing lower unemployment rates and smaller job losses than the national average.



### STATE QUICK FACTS

		<b>New Jersey</b>	<b>United States</b>
<b>Unemployment Rates</b> .....	December 2009	9.7%	9.9%
	December 2010	9.4%	9.3%
	December 2011	9.1%	8.5%
	December 2012	9.6%	7.8%
<b>Percent of Population Who Are Veterans</b> .....	2011	6.5%	9.4%
<b>All Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	10.7%	8.3%
<b>Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	7.2%	12.1%
<b>Median Household Income</b> .....	2007	\$ 65,635	\$ 54,489
	(2011 \$) 2011	\$ 62,338	\$ 50,054
<b>Poverty Rate</b> .....	2007	5.8%	12.5%
	2011	7.6%	15.0%
<b>No Health Insurance</b> .....	2007	14.6%	14.7%
	2011	15.4%	15.7%

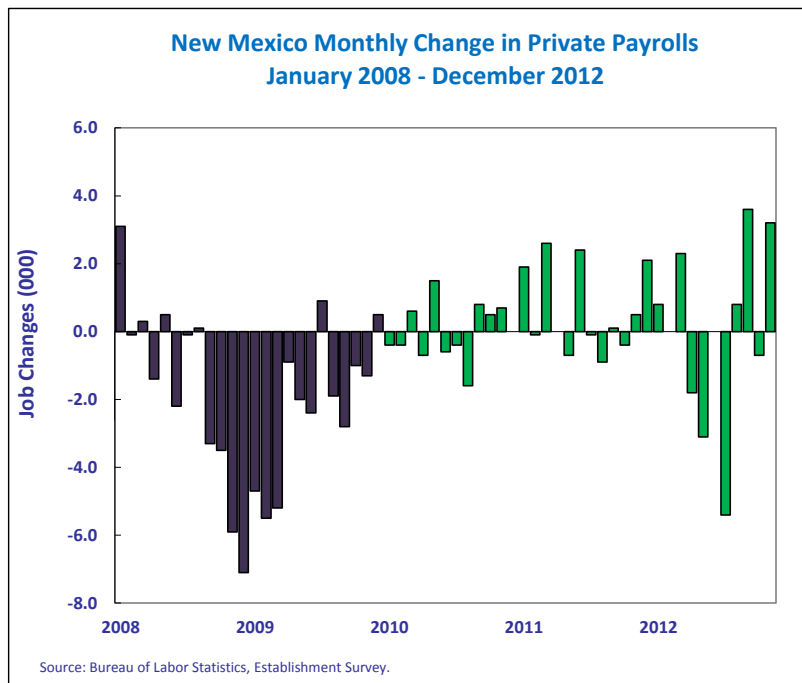
## Economic Overview And Outlook: New Mexico

### JOBS

- Including December, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 34 consecutive months.
- In New Mexico, private sector employment fell by 7.1 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 1.2 percent.
- In New Mexico, employees in the construction, manufacturing, and mining sectors faced the largest job losses (as a percent of employment within an industry) over the recession. Since the beginning of 2010, the following sectors in New Mexico have experienced the greatest employment increases: mining; leisure and hospitality; and education and health services.\*
- As the economy continues its emergence from the Great Recession, service-providing industries are projected to add the most jobs between 2010 and 2020. The largest gains over this period are expected to occur in the healthcare and social assistance, professional and business services, and retail trade sectors. Job gains in the goods-producing sector of the economy will be led by the construction and mining industries while the number of manufacturing jobs is expected to fall.

### EMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in New Mexico was 6.4 percent in December 2012, up 2.8 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 8.0 percent in October 2010.
- 60,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in New Mexico during December 2012.
- In New Mexico, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 7,038 during December, up 2.4 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 10,952 in February 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 35.7 percent.



### EARNINGS

- Between the start of the recession in the 4th quarter of 2007 and the 3rd quarter of 2009, inflation-adjusted total personal income in the United States declined 4.6 percent. Most recently, in the 3rd quarter of 2012, total personal income is 1.8 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.
- Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in New Mexico was \$30,182.10 in the 3rd quarter of 2012, up from \$29,698.10 in the 3rd quarter of 2010.

### HOUSING

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 17.5 percent over 21 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2012 and the third quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 1.2 percent.
- In New Mexico, home prices fell by 15.5 percent over 17 quarters from their peak in the first quarter of 2008. Since the second quarter of 2012, home prices in New Mexico have risen by 1.2 percent.
- As of the 3rd quarter of 2012, 4.0 percent of all mortgages, including 11.4 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in New Mexico.
- Housing starts in New Mexico totaled 4,020 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in November 2012, a decrease of 23.9 percent from October.
- Within the West census region, which includes New Mexico, sales of new single-family homes totaled 83,000 units in November 2012, a decrease of 17.8 percent from October. Sales of existing single-family homes increased 1.9 percent to 1,070,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from October to November 2012.

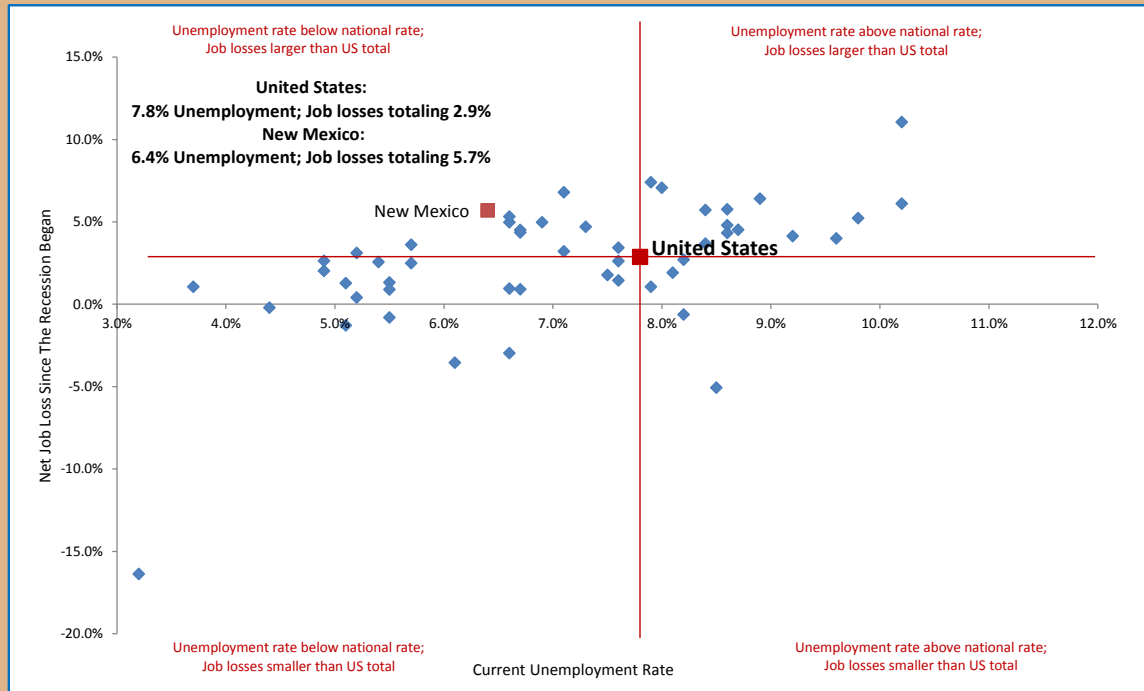
\* For New Mexico-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the New Mexico office: <http://www.dws.state.nm.us/dws-lmi.html>

## How Does New Mexico Compare To Other States?

Workers across the country were hard hit during the Great Recession. Although labor markets in many states have started recovering, employment in most states still remains below pre-recession levels. The chart below allows you to compare New Mexico to other states using two metrics.

The current unemployment rate (measured along the horizontal axis) serves as a gauge of current labor market conditions faced by residents, while the proportion of jobs lost within New Mexico since the start of the recession (shown along the vertical axis) measures the toll the recession took on the job supply in New Mexico.

States falling in the upper right quadrant have lost a disproportionate share of jobs, relative to the total United States, and have unemployment rates higher than the national unemployment rate. States falling in the lower left quadrant are experiencing lower unemployment rates and smaller job losses than the national average.



### STATE QUICK FACTS

		New Mexico	United States
<b>Unemployment Rates</b> .....	December 2009	7.8%	9.9%
	December 2010	7.8%	9.3%
	December 2011	7.0%	8.5%
	December 2012	6.4%	7.8%
<b>Percent of Population Who Are Veterans</b> .....	2011	11.8%	9.4%
<b>All Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	8.0%	8.3%
<b>Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	8.9%	12.1%
<b>Median Household Income</b> .....	2007	\$ 48,114	\$ 54,489
	(2011 \$)	2011	\$ 41,982
<b>Poverty Rate</b> .....	2007	5.8%	12.5%
	2011	7.6%	15.0%
<b>No Health Insurance</b> .....	2007	21.8%	14.7%
	2011	19.6%	15.7%



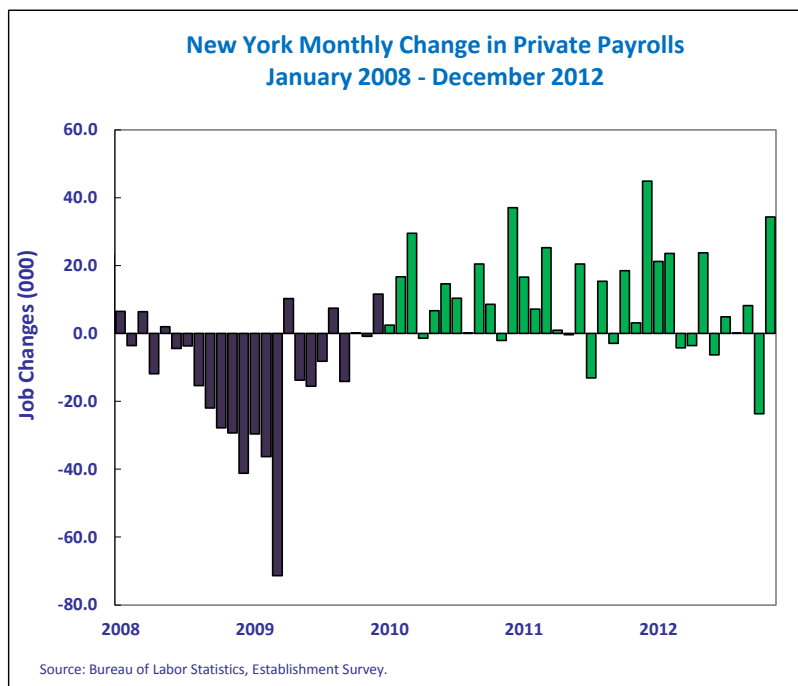
## Economic Overview And Outlook: New York

### JOBS

- Including December, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 34 consecutive months.
- In New York, private sector employment fell by 4.1 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 5.1 percent.
- In New York, employees in the mining, manufacturing, and construction sectors faced the largest job losses (as a percent of employment within an industry) over the recession. Since the beginning of 2010, the following sectors in New York have experienced the greatest employment increases: professional and business services; leisure and hospitality; and education and health services.\*
- As the economy continues its emergence from the Great Recession, service-providing industries are projected to add the most jobs between 2010 and 2020. The largest gains over this period are expected to occur in the healthcare and social assistance, professional and business services, and retail trade sectors. Job gains in the goods-producing sector of the economy will be led by the construction and mining industries while the number of manufacturing jobs is expected to fall.

### EMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in New York was 8.2 percent in December 2012, up 3.5 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 9.1 percent in August 2012.
- 787,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in New York during December 2012.
- In New York, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 122,658 during December, down 26.0 percent from the previous month, when initial claims for unemployment benefits spiked in large part due to the effects of Hurricane Sandy.



### EARNINGS

- Between the start of the recession in the 4th quarter of 2007 and the 3rd quarter of 2009, inflation-adjusted total personal income in the United States declined 4.6 percent. Most recently, in the 3rd quarter of 2012, total personal income is 1.8 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.

- Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in New York was \$44,692.30 in the 3rd quarter of 2012, up from \$44,404.50 in the 3rd quarter of 2010.

### HOUSING

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 17.5 percent over 21 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2012 and the third quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 1.2 percent.
- In New York, home prices fell by 13.0 percent over 21 quarters from their peak in the first quarter of 2007. Since the second quarter of 2012, home prices in New York have risen by 0.3 percent.
- As of the 3rd quarter of 2012, 6.5 percent of all mortgages, including 21.4 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in New York.
- Housing starts in New York totaled 20,420 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in November 2012, a decrease of 15.7 percent from October.
- Within the Northeast census region, which includes New York, sales of new single-family homes totaled 27,000 units in November 2012, an increase of 12.5 percent from October. Sales of existing single-family homes increased 8.5 percent to 510,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from October to November 2012.

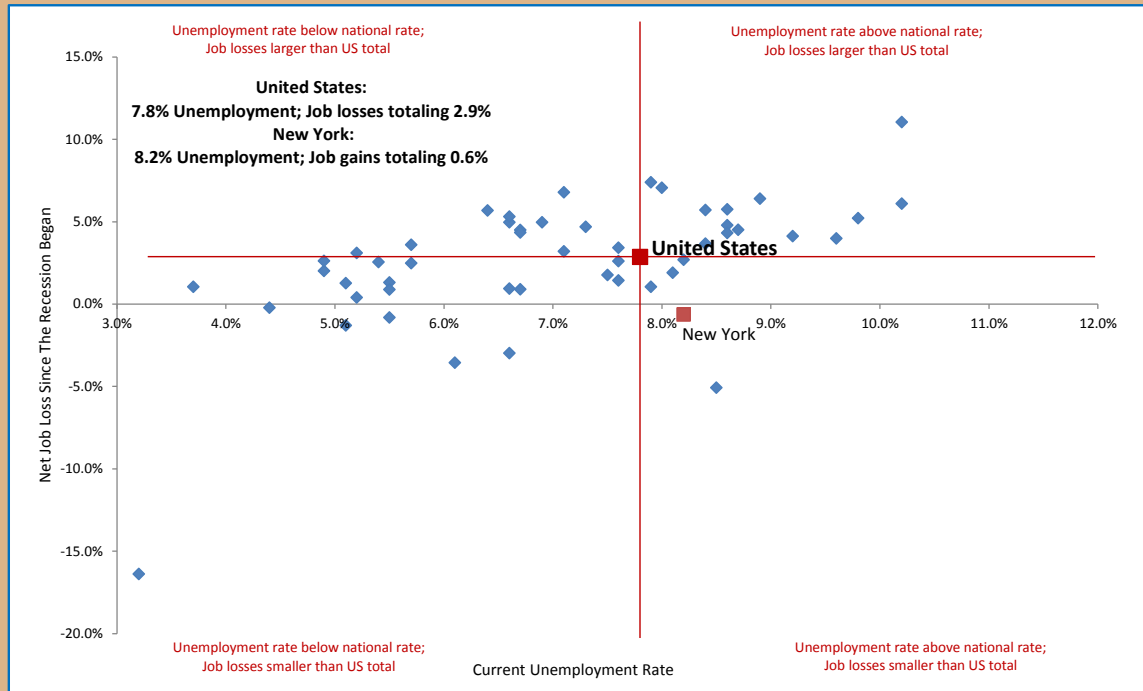
\* For New York-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the New York office: <http://www.labor.state.ny.us/stats/index.shtml>

## How Does New York Compare To Other States?

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The current unemployment rate (measured along the horizontal axis) serves as a gauge of current labor market conditions faced by residents, while the proportion of jobs lost within New York since the start of the recession (shown along the vertical axis) measures the toll the recession took on the job supply in New York.

States falling in the upper right quadrant have lost a disproportionate share of jobs, relative to the total United States, and have unemployment rates higher than the national unemployment rate. States falling in the lower left quadrant are experiencing lower unemployment rates and smaller job losses than the national average.



### STATE QUICK FACTS

		New York	United States
<b>Unemployment Rates</b> .....	December 2009	8.8%	9.9%
	December 2010	8.3%	9.3%
	December 2011	8.2%	8.5%
	December 2012	8.2%	7.8%
<b>Percent of Population Who Are Veterans</b> .....	2011	6.6%	9.4%
<b>All Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	7.7%	8.3%
<b>Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	16.7%	12.1%
<b>Median Household Income</b> .....	2007	\$ 53,091	\$ 54,489
	(2011 \$) 2011	\$ 50,636	\$ 50,054
<b>Poverty Rate</b> .....	2007	5.8%	12.5%
	2011	7.6%	15.0%
<b>No Health Insurance</b> .....	2007	12.3%	14.7%
	2011	12.2%	15.7%



## Economic Overview And Outlook: North Carolina

### JOBS

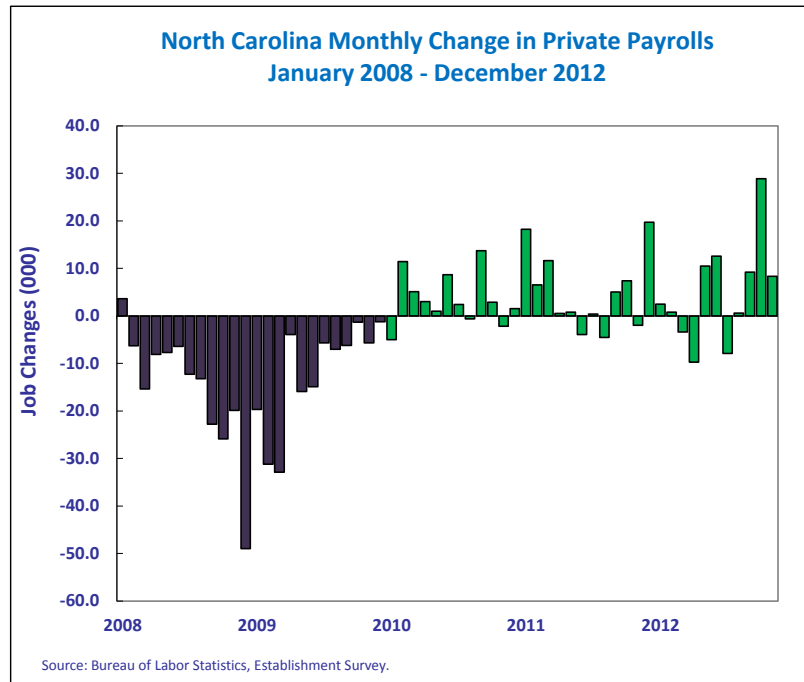
- Including December, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 34 consecutive months.
- In North Carolina, private sector employment fell by 9.6 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 5.1 percent.
- In North Carolina, employees in the construction, manufacturing, and mining sectors faced the largest job losses (as a percent of employment within an industry) over the recession. Since the beginning of 2010, the following sectors in North Carolina have experienced the greatest employment increases: professional and business services; leisure and hospitality; and trade, transportation and utilities.\*
- As the economy continues its emergence from the Great Recession, service-providing industries are projected to add the most jobs between 2010 and 2020. The largest gains over this period are expected to occur in the healthcare and social assistance, professional and business services, and retail trade sectors. Job gains in the goods-producing sector of the economy will be led by the construction and mining industries while the number of manufacturing jobs is expected to fall.

### EMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in North Carolina was 9.2 percent in December 2012, up 4.2 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 11.4 percent in February 2010.
- 439,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in North Carolina during December 2012.
- In North Carolina, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 54,267 during December, down 3.9 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 135,178 in March 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 59.9 percent.

### EARNINGS

- Between the start of the recession in the 4th quarter of 2007 and the 3rd quarter of 2009, inflation-adjusted total personal income in the United States declined 4.6 percent. Most recently, in the 3rd quarter of 2012, total personal income is 1.8 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.



- Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in North Carolina was \$31,712.00 in the 3rd quarter of 2012, up from \$31,130.20 in the 3rd quarter of 2010.

### HOUSING

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 17.5 percent over 21 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2012 and the third quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 1.2 percent.
- In North Carolina, home prices fell by 11.9 percent over 17 quarters from their peak in the first quarter of 2008. Since the second quarter of 2012, home prices in North Carolina have risen by 0.9 percent.
- As of the 3rd quarter of 2012, 2.8 percent of all mortgages, including 8.9 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in North Carolina.
- Housing starts in North Carolina totaled 59,740 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in November 2012, a decrease of 0.6 percent from October.
- Within the South census region, which includes North Carolina, sales of new single-family homes totaled 218,000 units in November 2012, an increase of 21.1 percent from October. Sales of existing single-family homes increased 6.1 percent to 1,750,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from October to November 2012.

\* For North Carolina-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the North Carolina office: <http://www.ncesc1.com/lmi/default.asp>

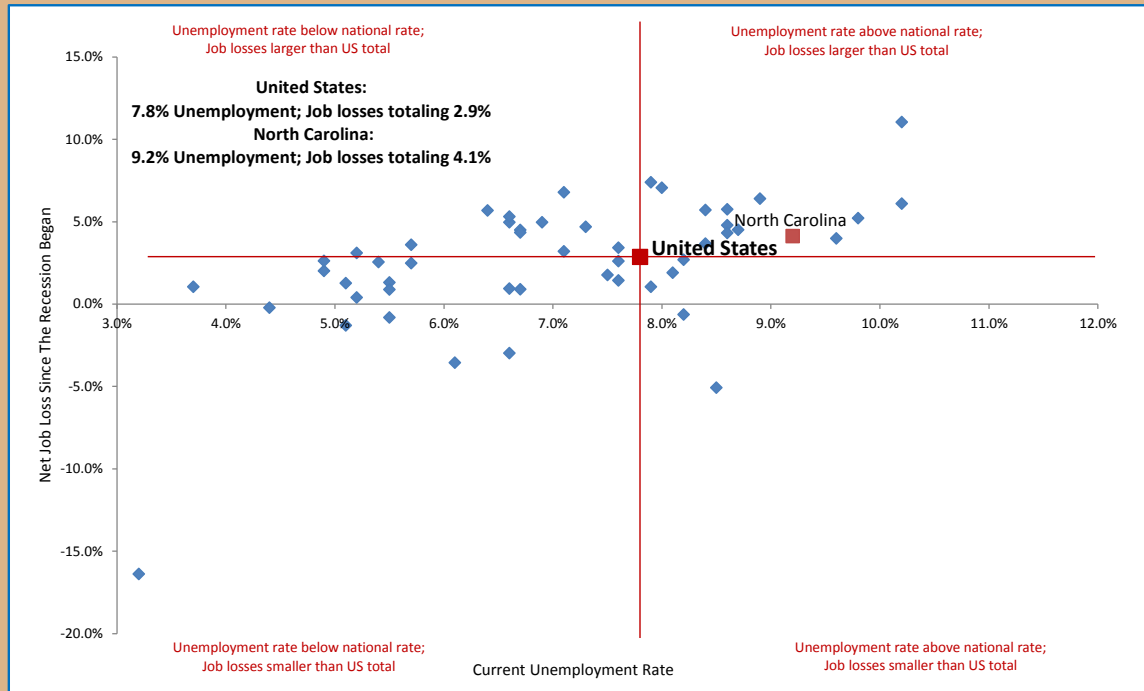


## How Does North Carolina Compare To Other States?

Workers across the country were hard hit during the Great Recession. Although labor markets in many states have started recovering, employment in most states still remains below pre-recession levels. The chart below allows you to compare North Carolina to other states using two metrics.

The current unemployment rate (measured along the horizontal axis) serves as a gauge of current labor market conditions faced by residents, while the proportion of jobs lost within North Carolina since the start of the recession (shown along the vertical axis) measures the toll the recession took on the job supply in North Carolina.

States falling in the upper right quadrant have lost a disproportionate share of jobs, relative to the total United States, and have unemployment rates higher than the national unemployment rate. States falling in the lower left quadrant are experiencing lower unemployment rates and smaller job losses than the national average.



### STATE QUICK FACTS

		North Carolina	United States
<b>Unemployment Rates</b> .....	December 2009	11.2%	9.9%
	December 2010	10.6%	9.3%
	December 2011	10.4%	8.5%
	December 2012	9.2%	7.8%
<b>Percent of Population Who Are Veterans</b> .....	2011	11.0%	9.4%
<b>All Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	7.1%	8.3%
<b>Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	8.9%	12.1%
<b>Median Household Income</b> .....	2007	\$ 47,200	\$ 54,489
	(2011 \$)	2011	\$ 45,206
<b>Poverty Rate</b> .....	2007	15.5%	12.5%
	2011	15.4%	15.0%
<b>No Health Insurance</b> .....	2007	16.2%	14.7%
	2011	16.3%	15.7%



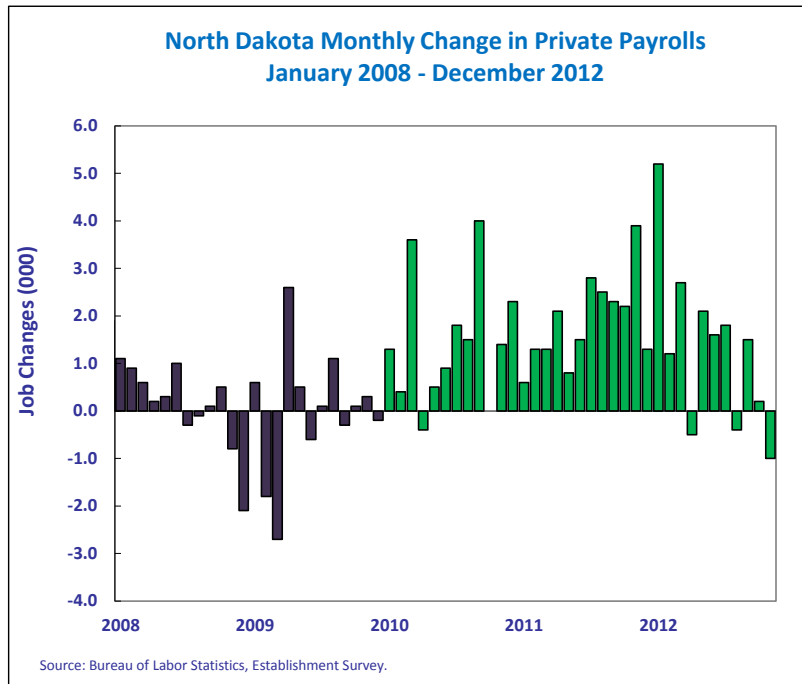
## Economic Overview And Outlook: North Dakota

### JOBS

- Including December, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 34 consecutive months.
- In North Dakota, private sector employment rose by 0.8 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 18.2 percent.
- In North Dakota, employees in the manufacturing, professional and business services, and information services sectors faced the largest job losses (as a percent of employment within an industry) over the recession. Since the beginning of 2010, the following sectors in North Dakota have experienced the greatest employment increases: mining; construction; and professional and business services.\*
- As the economy continues its emergence from the Great Recession, service-providing industries are projected to add the most jobs between 2010 and 2020. The largest gains over this period are expected to occur in the healthcare and social assistance, professional and business services, and retail trade sectors. Job gains in the goods-producing sector of the economy will be led by the construction and mining industries while the number of manufacturing jobs is expected to fall.

### EMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in North Dakota was 3.2 percent in December 2012, up 0.2 percentage point from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 4.2 percent in May 2009.
- 13,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in North Dakota during December 2012.
- In North Dakota, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 2,556 during December, down 3.0 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 5,761 in March 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 55.6 percent.



### EARNINGS

- Between the start of the recession in the 4th quarter of 2007 and the 3rd quarter of 2009, inflation-adjusted total personal income in the United States declined 4.6 percent. Most recently, in the 3rd quarter of 2012, total personal income is 1.8 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.

- Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in North Dakota was \$43,855.70 in the 3rd quarter of 2012, up from \$38,498.40 in the 3rd quarter of 2010.

### HOUSING

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 17.5 percent over 21 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2012 and the third quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 1.2 percent.
- In North Dakota, home prices have risen by 1.2 percent from the previous peak set in the second quarter of 2012.
- As of the 3rd quarter of 2012, 1.0 percent of all mortgages, including 8.0 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in North Dakota.
- Housing starts in North Dakota totaled 4,600 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in November 2012, a decrease of 52.1 percent from October.
- Within the Midwest census region, which includes North Dakota, sales of new single-family homes totaled 49,000 units in November 2012, a decrease of 12.5 percent from October. Sales of existing single-family homes increased 6.7 percent to 1,110,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from October to November 2012.

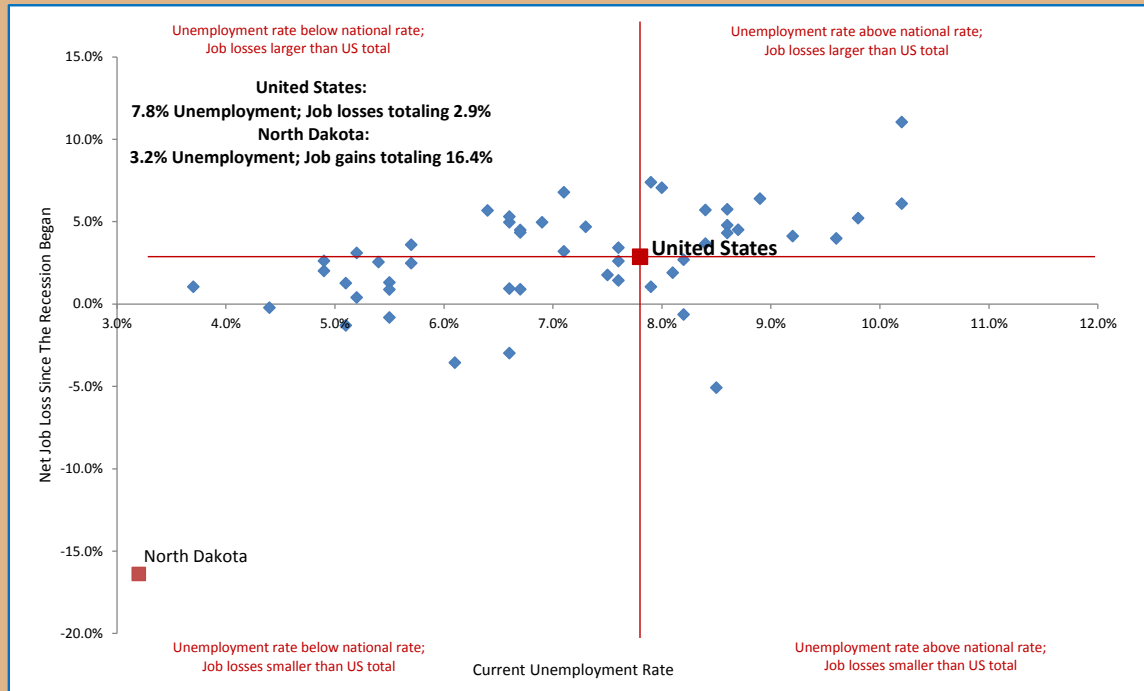
\* For North Dakota-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the North Dakota office: <http://www.jobsnd.com/>

## How Does North Dakota Compare To Other States?

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The current unemployment rate (measured along the horizontal axis) serves as a gauge of current labor market conditions faced by residents, while the proportion of jobs lost within North Dakota since the start of the recession (shown along the vertical axis) measures the toll the recession took on the job supply in North Dakota.

States falling in the upper right quadrant have lost a disproportionate share of jobs, relative to the total United States, and have unemployment rates higher than the national unemployment rate. States falling in the lower left quadrant are experiencing lower unemployment rates and smaller job losses than the national average.



### STATE QUICK FACTS

		North Dakota	United States
<b>Unemployment Rates</b> .....	December 2009	4.1%	9.9%
	December 2010	3.6%	9.3%
	December 2011	3.3%	8.5%
	December 2012	3.2%	7.8%
<b>Percent of Population Who Are Veterans</b> .....	2011	10.6%	9.4%
<b>All Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	2.0%	8.3%
<b>Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	2.7%	12.1%
<b>Median Household Income</b> .....	2007	\$ 51,205	\$ 54,489
	(2011 \$)	2011	\$ 56,361
<b>Poverty Rate</b> .....	2007	9.3%	12.5%
	2011	9.9%	15.0%
<b>No Health Insurance</b> .....	2007	9.5%	14.7%
	2011	9.1%	15.7%



## Economic Overview And Outlook: Ohio

### JOBS

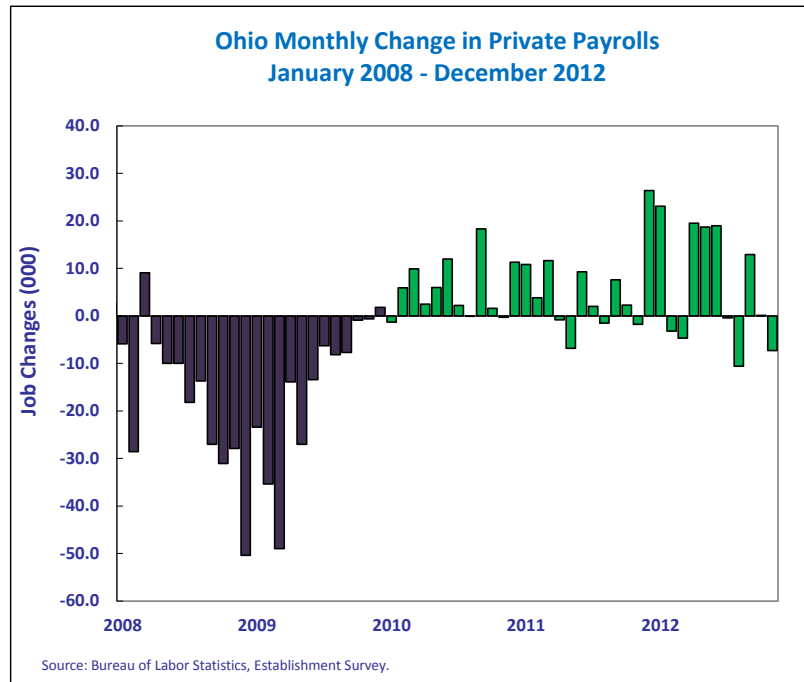
- Including December, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 34 consecutive months.
- In Ohio, private sector employment fell by 8.7 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 4.7 percent.
- In Ohio, employees in the manufacturing, construction, and professional and business services sectors faced the largest job losses (as a percent of employment within an industry) over the recession. Since the beginning of 2010, the following sectors in Ohio have experienced the greatest employment increases: professional and business services; manufacturing; and education and health services.\*
- As the economy continues its emergence from the Great Recession, service-providing industries are projected to add the most jobs between 2010 and 2020. The largest gains over this period are expected to occur in the healthcare and social assistance, professional and business services, and retail trade sectors. Job gains in the goods-producing sector of the economy will be led by the construction and mining industries while the number of manufacturing jobs is expected to fall.

### EMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Ohio was 6.7 percent in December 2012, up 1.0 percentage point from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 10.6 percent in January 2010.
- 388,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Ohio during December 2012.
- In Ohio, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 55,729 during December, up 7.4 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 122,356 in February 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 54.5 percent.

### EARNINGS

- Between the start of the recession in the 4th quarter of 2007 and the 3rd quarter of 2009, inflation-adjusted total personal income in the United States declined 4.6 percent. Most recently, in the 3rd quarter of 2012, total personal income is 1.8 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.



- Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Ohio was \$34,128.50 in the 3rd quarter of 2012, up from \$32,536.50 in the 3rd quarter of 2010.

### HOUSING

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 17.5 percent over 21 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2012 and the third quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 1.2 percent.
- In Ohio, home prices fell by 11.0 percent over 21 quarters from their peak in the first quarter of 2007. Since the second quarter of 2012, home prices in Ohio have risen by 1.0 percent.
- As of the 3rd quarter of 2012, 4.6 percent of all mortgages, including 11.1 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Ohio.
- Housing starts in Ohio totaled 23,540 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in November 2012, an increase of 43.6 percent from October.
- Within the Midwest census region, which includes Ohio, sales of new single-family homes totaled 49,000 units in November 2012, a decrease of 12.5 percent from October. Sales of existing single-family homes increased 6.7 percent to 1,110,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from October to November 2012.

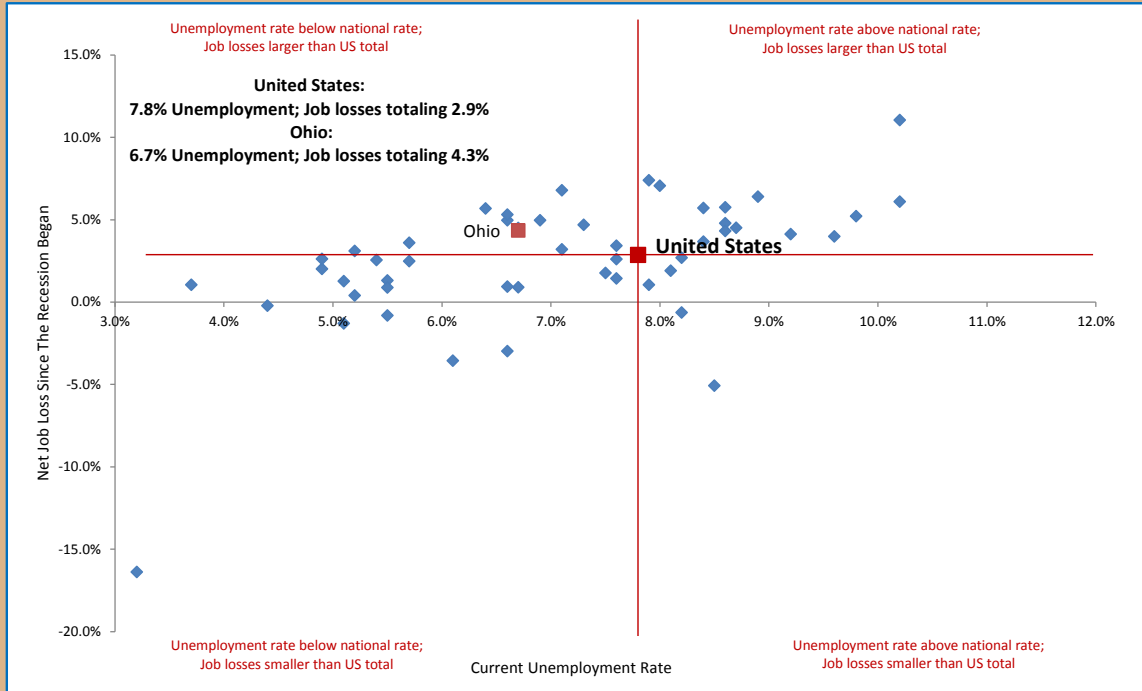
\* For Ohio-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the Ohio office: <http://lmi.state.oh.us/data.htm>

## How Does Ohio Compare To Other States?

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The current unemployment rate (measured along the horizontal axis) serves as a gauge of current labor market conditions faced by residents, while the proportion of jobs lost within Ohio since the start of the recession (shown along the vertical axis) measures the toll the recession took on the job supply in Ohio.

States falling in the upper right quadrant have lost a disproportionate share of jobs, relative to the total United States, and have unemployment rates higher than the national unemployment rate. States falling in the lower left quadrant are experiencing lower unemployment rates and smaller job losses than the national average.



### STATE QUICK FACTS

		Ohio	United States
<b>Unemployment Rates</b> .....	December 2009	10.6%	9.9%
	December 2010	9.2%	9.3%
	December 2011	7.9%	8.5%
	December 2012	6.7%	7.8%
<b>Percent of Population Who Are Veterans</b> .....	2011	10.0%	9.4%
<b>All Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	10.7%	8.3%
<b>Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	19.4%	12.1%
<b>Median Household Income</b> .....	2007	\$ 53,259	\$ 54,489
	(2011 \$) 2011	\$ 44,648	\$ 50,054
<b>Poverty Rate</b> .....	2007	12.8%	12.5%
	2011	15.1%	15.0%
<b>No Health Insurance</b> .....	2007	11.1%	14.7%
	2011	13.7%	15.7%



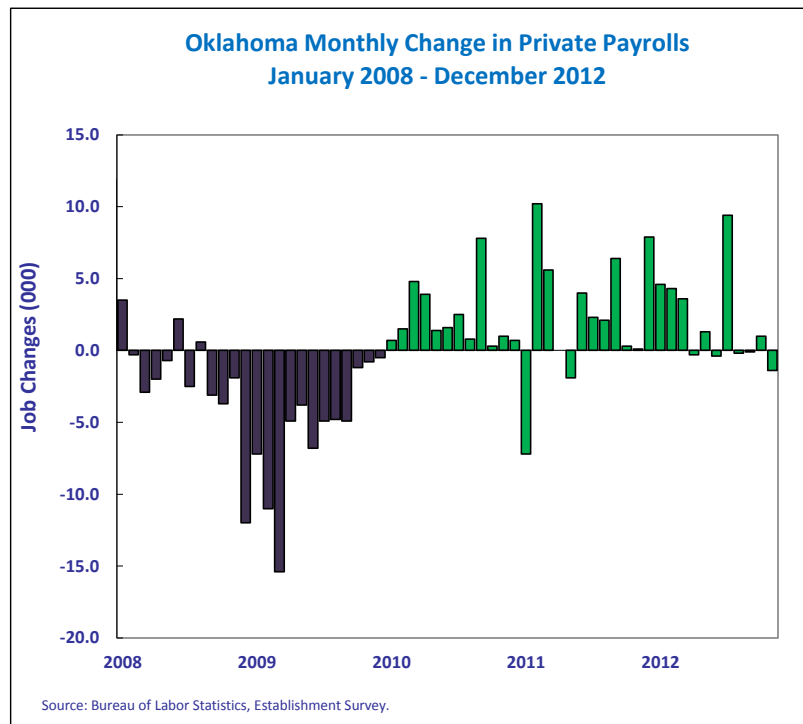
## Economic Overview And Outlook: Oklahoma

### JOBS

- Including December, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 34 consecutive months.
- In Oklahoma, private sector employment fell by 7.0 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 6.6 percent.
- In Oklahoma, employees in the manufacturing, mining, and professional and business services sectors faced the largest job losses (as a percent of employment within an industry) over the recession. Since the beginning of 2010, the following sectors in Oklahoma have experienced the greatest employment increases: mining; manufacturing; and leisure and hospitality.\*
- As the economy continues its emergence from the Great Recession, service-providing industries are projected to add the most jobs between 2010 and 2020. The largest gains over this period are expected to occur in the healthcare and social assistance, professional and business services, and retail trade sectors. Job gains in the goods-producing sector of the economy will be led by the construction and mining industries while the number of manufacturing jobs is expected to fall.

### EMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Oklahoma was 5.1 percent in December 2012, up 1.5 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 7.2 percent in February 2010.
- 93,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Oklahoma during December 2012.
- In Oklahoma, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 10,777 during November, up 4.3 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 23,031 in April 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 53.2 percent.



### EARNINGS

- Between the start of the recession in the 4th quarter of 2007 and the 3rd quarter of 2009, inflation-adjusted total personal income in the United States declined 4.6 percent. Most recently, in the 3rd quarter of 2012, total personal income is 1.8 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.
- Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Oklahoma was \$33,492.90 in the 3rd quarter of 2012, up from \$32,231.70 in the 3rd quarter of 2010.

### HOUSING

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 17.5 percent over 21 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2012 and the third quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 1.2 percent.
- In Oklahoma, home prices fell by 3.1 percent over 10 quarters from their peak in the first quarter of 2009. Since the third quarter of 2011, home prices in Oklahoma have risen by 2.0 percent.
- As of the 3rd quarter of 2012, 3.4 percent of all mortgages, including 10.1 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Oklahoma.
- Housing starts in Oklahoma totaled 12,950 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in November 2012, an increase of 9.4 percent from October.
- Within the South census region, which includes Oklahoma, sales of new single-family homes totaled 218,000 units in November 2012, an increase of 21.1 percent from October. Sales of existing single-family homes increased 6.1 percent to 1,750,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from October to November 2012.

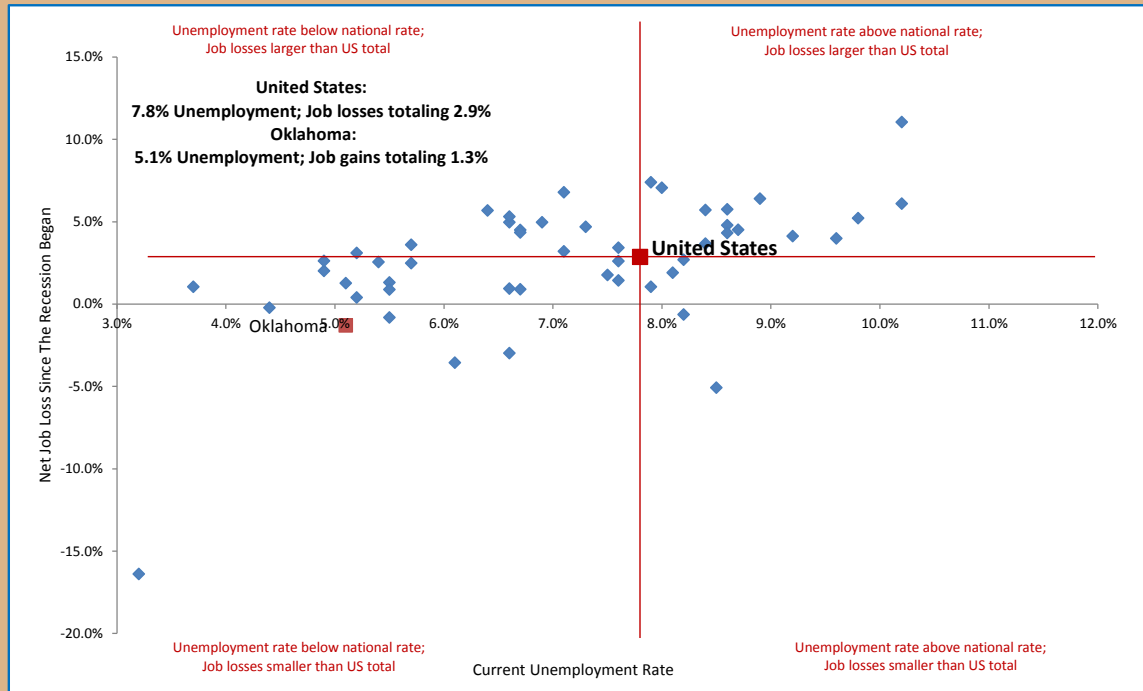
\* For Oklahoma-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the Oklahoma office:  
[http://www.ok.gov/oesc\\_web/Services/Find\\_Labor\\_Market\\_Statistics/](http://www.ok.gov/oesc_web/Services/Find_Labor_Market_Statistics/)

## How Does Oklahoma Compare To Other States?

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The current unemployment rate (measured along the horizontal axis) serves as a gauge of current labor market conditions faced by residents, while the proportion of jobs lost within Oklahoma since the start of the recession (shown along the vertical axis) measures the toll the recession took on the job supply in Oklahoma.

States falling in the upper right quadrant have lost a disproportionate share of jobs, relative to the total United States, and have unemployment rates higher than the national unemployment rate. States falling in the lower left quadrant are experiencing lower unemployment rates and smaller job losses than the national average.



### STATE QUICK FACTS

		Oklahoma	United States
<b>Unemployment Rates</b> .....	December 2009	7.2%	9.9%
	December 2010	6.4%	9.3%
	December 2011	6.3%	8.5%
	December 2012	5.1%	7.8%
<b>Percent of Population Who Are Veterans</b> .....	2011	11.4%	9.4%
<b>All Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	5.3%	8.3%
<b>Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	8.9%	12.1%
<b>Median Household Income</b> .....	2007	\$ 46,878	\$ 54,489
	(2011 \$)	2011	\$ 48,455
<b>Poverty Rate</b> .....	2007	13.4%	12.5%
	2011	13.9%	15.0%
<b>No Health Insurance</b> .....	2007	17.6%	14.7%
	2011	16.9%	15.7%

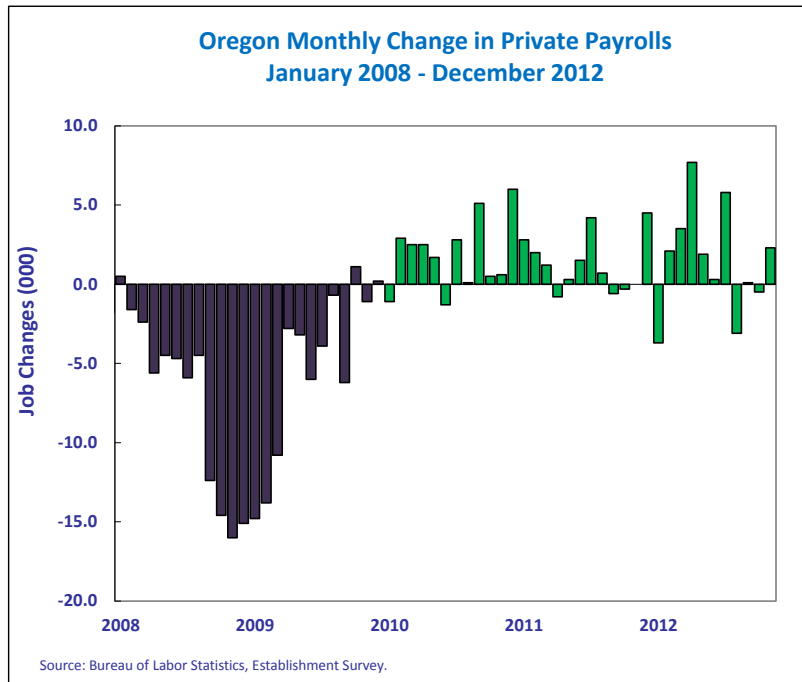
## Economic Overview And Outlook: Oregon

### JOBS

- Including December, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 34 consecutive months.
- In Oregon, private sector employment fell by 10.4 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 4.3 percent.
- In Oregon, employees in the construction, mining, and manufacturing sectors faced the largest job losses (as a percent of employment within an industry) over the recession. Since the beginning of 2010, the following sectors in Oregon have experienced the greatest employment increases: education and health services; professional and business services; and trade, transportation and utilities.\*
- As the economy continues its emergence from the Great Recession, service-providing industries are projected to add the most jobs between 2010 and 2020. The largest gains over this period are expected to occur in the healthcare and social assistance, professional and business services, and retail trade sectors. Job gains in the goods-producing sector of the economy will be led by the construction and mining industries while the number of manufacturing jobs is expected to fall.

### EMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Oregon was 8.4 percent in December 2012, up 3.2 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 11.6 percent in June 2009.
- 164,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Oregon during December 2012.
- In Oregon, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 33,626 during December, up 1.1 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 61,646 in March 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 45.5 percent.



### EARNINGS

- Between the start of the recession in the 4th quarter of 2007 and the 3rd quarter of 2009, inflation-adjusted total personal income in the United States declined 4.6 percent. Most recently, in the 3rd quarter of 2012, total personal income is 1.8 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.
- Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Oregon was \$33,485.10 in the 3rd quarter of 2012, up from \$32,444.60 in the 3rd quarter of 2010.

### HOUSING

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 17.5 percent over 21 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2012 and the third quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 1.2 percent.
- In Oregon, home prices fell by 24.7 percent over 20 quarters from their peak in the second quarter of 2007. Since the second quarter of 2012, home prices in Oregon have risen by 1.9 percent.
- As of the 3rd quarter of 2012, 3.8 percent of all mortgages, including 14.3 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Oregon.
- Housing starts in Oregon totaled 8,800 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in November 2012, a decrease of 44.0 percent from October.
- Within the West census region, which includes Oregon, sales of new single-family homes totaled 83,000 units in November 2012, a decrease of 17.8 percent from October. Sales of existing single-family homes increased 1.9 percent to 1,070,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from October to November 2012.

\* For Oregon-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the Oregon office: <http://www.qualityinfo.org/olmisj/OlmisZine>

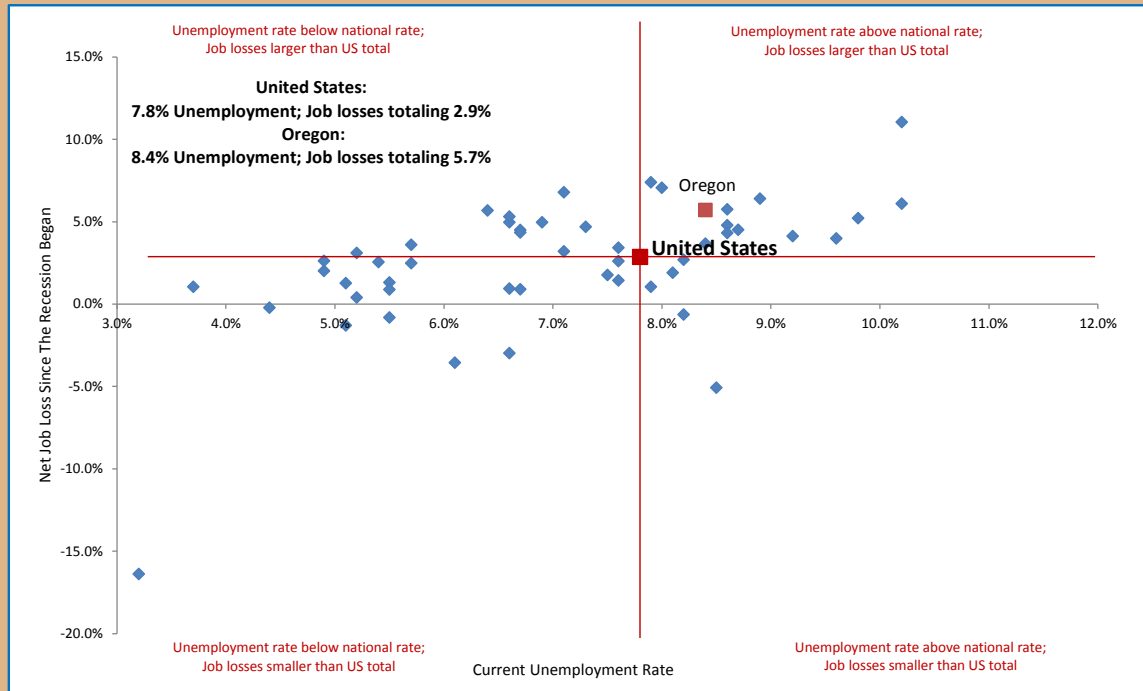


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States falling in the upper right quadrant have lost a disproportionate share of jobs, relative to the total United States, and have unemployment rates higher than the national unemployment rate. States falling in the lower left quadrant are experiencing lower unemployment rates and smaller job losses than the national average.



### STATE QUICK FACTS

		Oregon	United States
<b>Unemployment Rates</b> .....	December 2009	10.9%	9.9%
	December 2010	10.1%	9.3%
	December 2011	9.0%	8.5%
	December 2012	8.4%	7.8%
<b>Percent of Population Who Are Veterans</b> .....	2011	10.8%	9.4%
<b>All Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	11.5%	8.3%
<b>Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	24.1%	12.1%
<b>Median Household Income</b> .....	2007	\$ 54,492	\$ 54,489
	(2011 \$) 2011	\$ 51,526	\$ 50,054
<b>Poverty Rate</b> .....	2007	12.8%	12.5%
	2011	14.4%	15.0%
<b>No Health Insurance</b> .....	2007	16.2%	14.7%
	2011	13.8%	15.7%



## Economic Overview And Outlook: Pennsylvania

### JOBS

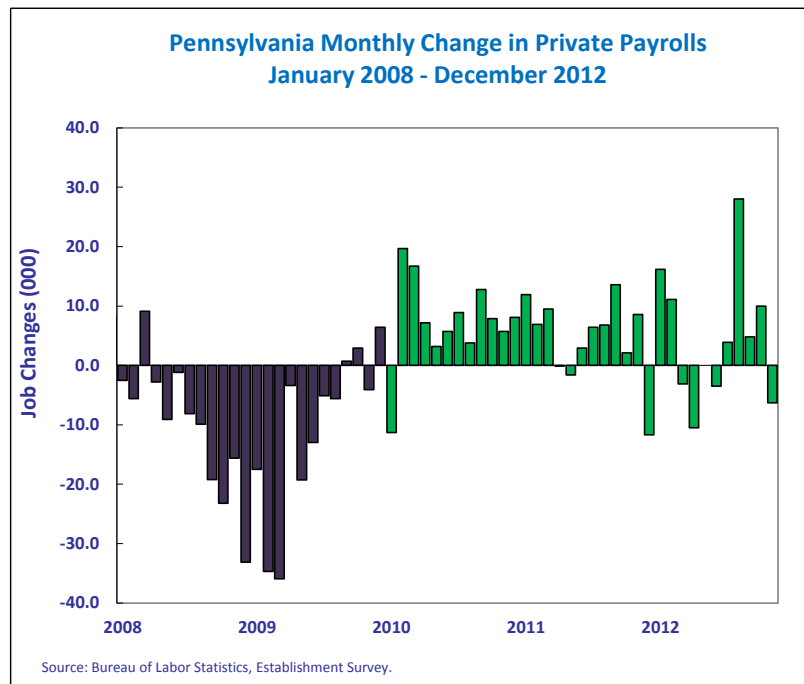
- Including December, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 34 consecutive months.
- In Pennsylvania, private sector employment fell by 5.1 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 4.3 percent.
- In Pennsylvania, employees in the construction, manufacturing, and information services sectors faced the largest job losses (as a percent of employment within an industry) over the recession. Since the beginning of 2010, the following sectors in Pennsylvania have experienced the greatest employment increases: mining; professional and business services; and leisure and hospitality.\*
- As the economy continues its emergence from the Great Recession, service-providing industries are projected to add the most jobs between 2010 and 2020. The largest gains over this period are expected to occur in the healthcare and social assistance, professional and business services, and retail trade sectors. Job gains in the goods-producing sector of the economy will be led by the construction and mining industries while the number of manufacturing jobs is expected to fall.

### EMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Pennsylvania was 7.9 percent in December 2012, up 3.3 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 8.7 percent in March 2010.
- 517,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Pennsylvania during December 2012.
- In Pennsylvania, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 104,009 during December, down 24.1 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 177,998 in May 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 41.6 percent.

### EARNINGS

- Between the start of the recession in the 4th quarter of 2007 and the 3rd quarter of 2009, inflation-adjusted total personal income in the United States declined 4.6 percent. Most recently, in the 3rd quarter of 2012, total personal income is 1.8 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.



- Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Pennsylvania was \$37,572.20 in the 3rd quarter of 2012, up from \$36,622.40 in the 3rd quarter of 2010.

### HOUSING

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 17.5 percent over 21 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2012 and the third quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 1.2 percent.
- In Pennsylvania, home prices fell by 8.6 percent over 17 quarters from their peak in the first quarter of 2008. Since the second quarter of 2012, home prices in Pennsylvania have risen by 0.4 percent.
- As of the 3rd quarter of 2012, 3.8 percent of all mortgages, including 12.5 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Pennsylvania.
- Housing starts in Pennsylvania totaled 15,400 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in November 2012, a decrease of 2.1 percent from October.
- Within the Northeast census region, which includes Pennsylvania, sales of new single-family homes totaled 27,000 units in November 2012, an increase of 12.5 percent from October. Sales of existing single-family homes increased 8.5 percent to 510,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from October to November 2012.

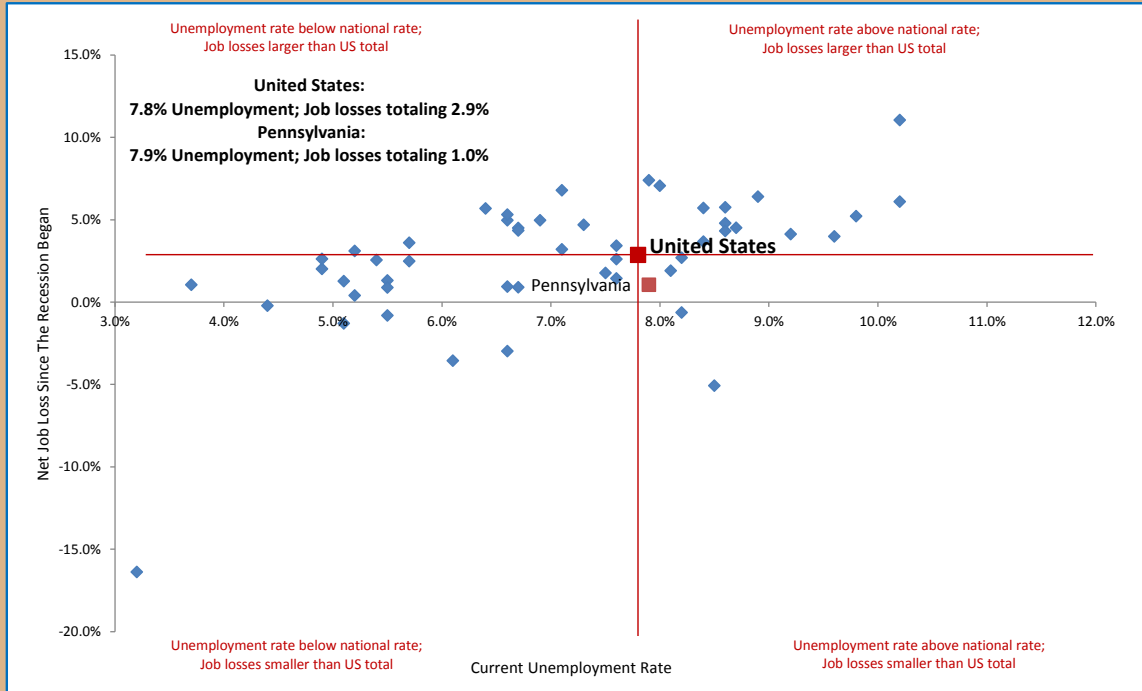
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### STATE QUICK FACTS

		Pennsylvania	United States
<b>Unemployment Rates</b> .....	December 2009	8.6%	9.9%
	December 2010	8.1%	9.3%
	December 2011	7.7%	8.5%
	December 2012	7.9%	7.8%
<b>Percent of Population Who Are Veterans</b> .....	2011	10.1%	9.4%
<b>All Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	7.3%	8.3%
<b>Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	9.0%	12.1%
<b>Median Household Income</b> .....	2007	\$ 52,541	\$ 54,489
	(2011 \$)	2011	\$ 49,910
<b>Poverty Rate</b> .....	2007	10.4%	12.5%
	2011	12.6%	15.0%
<b>No Health Insurance</b> .....	2007	9.1%	14.7%
	2011	10.8%	15.7%



## Economic Overview And Outlook: Rhode Island

### JOBS

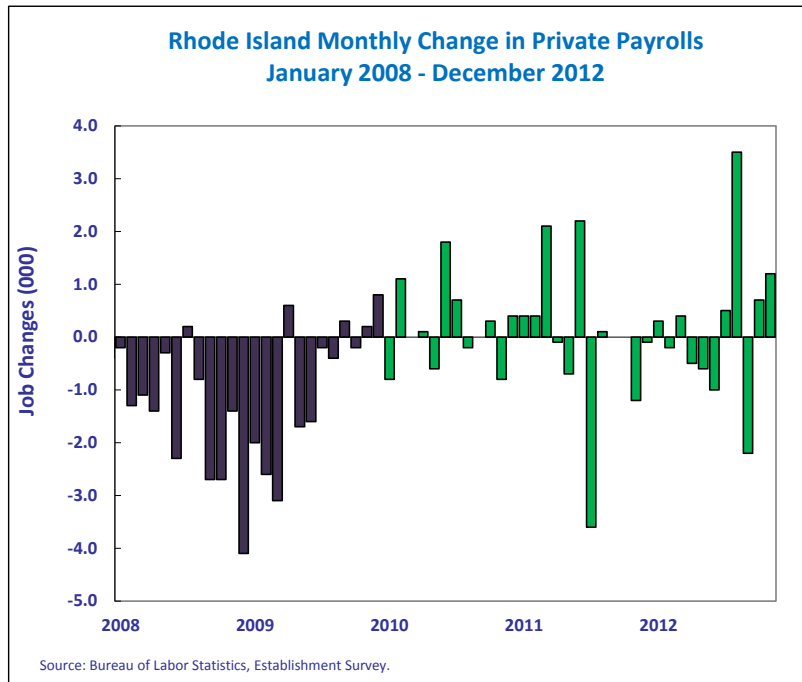
- Including December, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 34 consecutive months.
- In Rhode Island, private sector employment fell by 6.8 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 1.1 percent.
- In Rhode Island, employees in the construction, manufacturing, and trade, transportation and utilities sectors faced the largest job losses (as a percent of employment within an industry) over the recession. Since the beginning of 2010, the following sectors in Rhode Island have experienced the greatest employment increases: professional and business services; education and health services; and leisure and hospitality.\*
- As the economy continues its emergence from the Great Recession, service-providing industries are projected to add the most jobs between 2010 and 2020. The largest gains over this period are expected to occur in the healthcare and social assistance, professional and business services, and retail trade sectors. Job gains in the goods-producing sector of the economy will be led by the construction and mining industries while the number of manufacturing jobs is expected to fall.

### EMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Rhode Island was 10.2 percent in December 2012, up 4.2 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 11.9 percent in January 2010.
- 58,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Rhode Island during December 2012.
- In Rhode Island, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 6,826 during December, down 19.0 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 16,652 in March 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 59.0 percent.

### EARNINGS

- Between the start of the recession in the 4th quarter of 2007 and the 3rd quarter of 2009, inflation-adjusted total personal income in the United States declined 4.6 percent. Most recently, in the 3rd quarter of 2012, total personal income is 1.8 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.



- Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Rhode Island was \$38,770.30 in the 3rd quarter of 2012, up from \$37,991.50 in the 3rd quarter of 2010.

### HOUSING

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 17.5 percent over 21 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2012 and the third quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 1.2 percent.
- In Rhode Island, home prices fell by 26.4 percent over 24 quarters from their peak in the second quarter of 2006. Since the second quarter of 2012, home prices in Rhode Island have risen by 0.6 percent.
- As of the 3rd quarter of 2012, 4.0 percent of all mortgages, including 10.8 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Rhode Island.
- Housing starts in Rhode Island totaled 900 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in November 2012, an increase of 38.5 percent from October.
- Within the Northeast census region, which includes Rhode Island, sales of new single-family homes totaled 27,000 units in November 2012, an increase of 12.5 percent from October. Sales of existing single-family homes increased 8.5 percent to 510,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from October to November 2012.

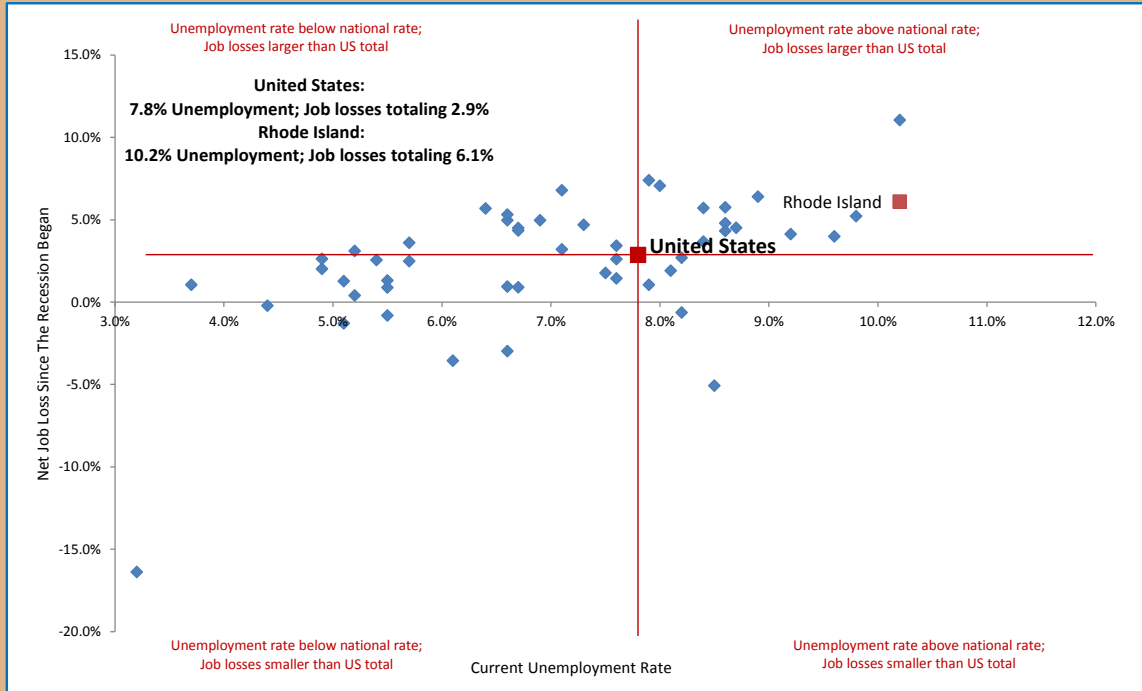
\* For Rhode Island-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the Rhode Island office: <http://www.dlt.ri.gov/lmi/news/lrelease.htm>

## How Does Rhode Island Compare To Other States?

Workers across the country were hard hit during the Great Recession. Although labor markets in many states have started recovering, employment in most states still remains below pre-recession levels. The chart below allows you to compare Rhode Island to other states using two metrics.

The current unemployment rate (measured along the horizontal axis) serves as a gauge of current labor market conditions faced by residents, while the proportion of jobs lost within Rhode Island since the start of the recession (shown along the vertical axis) measures the toll the recession took on the job supply in Rhode Island.

States falling in the upper right quadrant have lost a disproportionate share of jobs, relative to the total United States, and have unemployment rates higher than the national unemployment rate. States falling in the lower left quadrant are experiencing lower unemployment rates and smaller job losses than the national average.



### STATE QUICK FACTS

		Rhode Island	United States
<b>Unemployment Rates</b> .....	December 2009	11.8%	9.9%
	December 2010	11.5%	9.3%
	December 2011	11.0%	8.5%
	December 2012	10.2%	7.8%
<b>Percent of Population Who Are Veterans</b> .....	2011	8.7%	9.4%
<b>All Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	14.6%	8.3%
<b>Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	16.8%	12.1%
<b>Median Household Income</b> .....	2007	\$ 58,803	\$ 54,489
	(2011 \$)	2011	\$ 49,033
<b>Poverty Rate</b> .....	2007	9.5%	12.5%
	2011	13.4%	15.0%
<b>No Health Insurance</b> .....	2007	10.5%	14.7%
	2011	12.0%	15.7%



## Economic Overview And Outlook: South Carolina

### JOBS

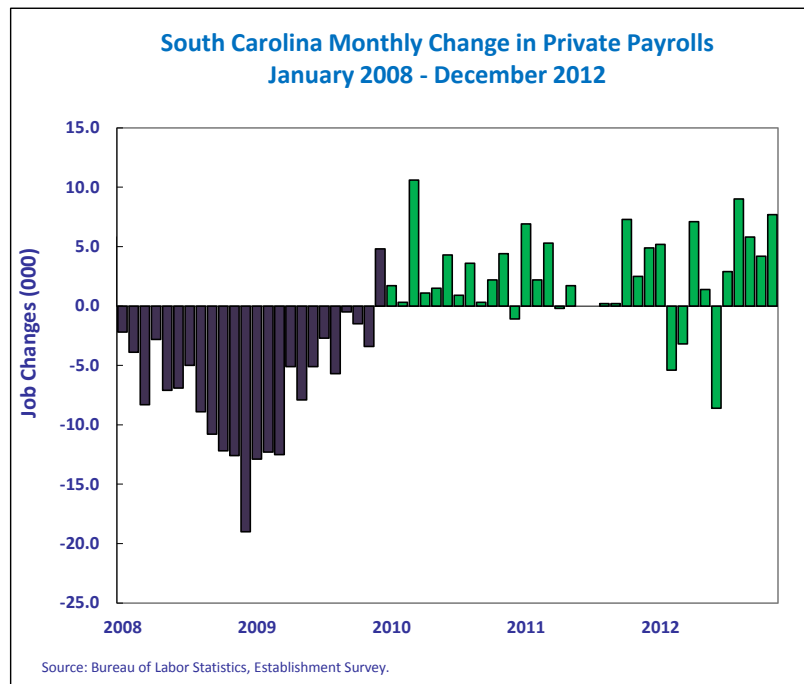
- Including December, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 34 consecutive months.
- In South Carolina, private sector employment fell by 10.1 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 5.9 percent.
- In South Carolina, employees in the construction, manufacturing, and professional and business services sectors faced the largest job losses (as a percent of employment within an industry) over the recession. Since the beginning of 2010, the following sectors in South Carolina have experienced the greatest employment increases: professional and business services; manufacturing; and education and health services.\*
- As the economy continues its emergence from the Great Recession, service-providing industries are projected to add the most jobs between 2010 and 2020. The largest gains over this period are expected to occur in the healthcare and social assistance, professional and business services, and retail trade sectors. Job gains in the goods-producing sector of the economy will be led by the construction and mining industries while the number of manufacturing jobs is expected to fall.

### EMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in South Carolina was 8.4 percent in December 2012, up 2.9 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 12.0 percent in December 2009.
- 180,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in South Carolina during December 2012.
- In South Carolina, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 20,321 during December, down 15.7 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 55,022 in March 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 63.1 percent.

### EARNINGS

- Between the start of the recession in the 4th quarter of 2007 and the 3rd quarter of 2009, inflation-adjusted total personal income in the United States declined 4.6 percent. Most recently, in the 3rd quarter of 2012, total personal income is 1.8 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.



- Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in South Carolina was \$29,555.90 in the 3rd quarter of 2012, up from \$29,085.30 in the 3rd quarter of 2010.

### HOUSING

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 17.5 percent over 21 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2012 and the third quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 1.2 percent.
- In South Carolina, home prices fell by 12.0 percent over 17 quarters from their peak in the first quarter of 2008. Since the second quarter of 2012, home prices in South Carolina have risen by 0.7 percent.
- As of the 3rd quarter of 2012, 4.1 percent of all mortgages, including 11.6 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in South Carolina.
- Housing starts in South Carolina totaled 20,950 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in November 2012, an increase of 4.9 percent from October.
- Within the South census region, which includes South Carolina, sales of new single-family homes totaled 218,000 units in November 2012, an increase of 21.1 percent from October. Sales of existing single-family homes increased 6.1 percent to 1,750,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from October to November 2012.

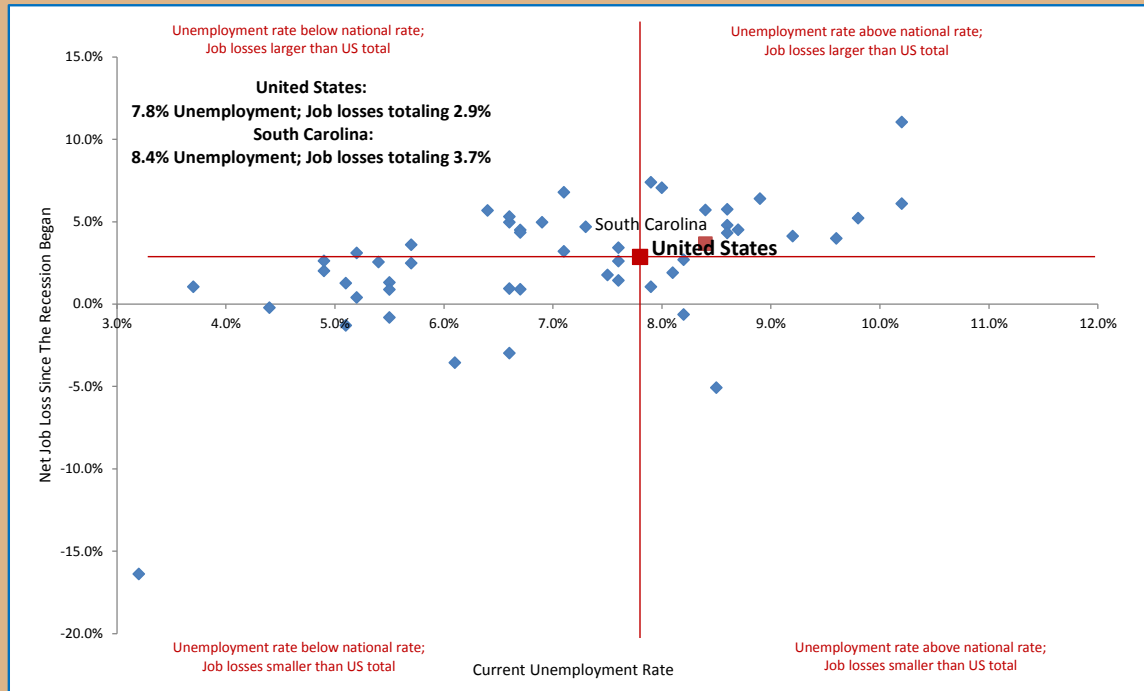
\* For South Carolina-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the South Carolina office: <http://www.sces.org/lmi/news/news.asp>

## How Does South Carolina Compare To Other States?

Workers across the country were hard hit during the Great Recession. Although labor markets in many states have started recovering, employment in most states still remains below pre-recession levels. The chart below allows you to compare South Carolina to other states using two metrics.

The current unemployment rate (measured along the horizontal axis) serves as a gauge of current labor market conditions faced by residents, while the proportion of jobs lost within South Carolina since the start of the recession (shown along the vertical axis) measures the toll the recession took on the job supply in South Carolina.

States falling in the upper right quadrant have lost a disproportionate share of jobs, relative to the total United States, and have unemployment rates higher than the national unemployment rate. States falling in the lower left quadrant are experiencing lower unemployment rates and smaller job losses than the national average.



### STATE QUICK FACTS

		South Carolina	United States
<b>Unemployment Rates</b> .....	December 2009	12.0%	9.9%
	December 2010	10.7%	9.3%
	December 2011	9.6%	8.5%
	December 2012	8.4%	7.8%
<b>Percent of Population Who Are Veterans</b> .....	2011	10.5%	9.4%
<b>All Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	7.3%	8.3%
<b>Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	13.2%	12.1%
<b>Median Household Income</b> .....	2007	\$ 47,959	\$ 54,489
	(2011 \$) 2011	\$ 40,084	\$ 50,054
<b>Poverty Rate</b> .....	2007	14.1%	12.5%
	2011	19.0%	15.0%
<b>No Health Insurance</b> .....	2007	15.9%	14.7%
	2011	19.0%	15.7%



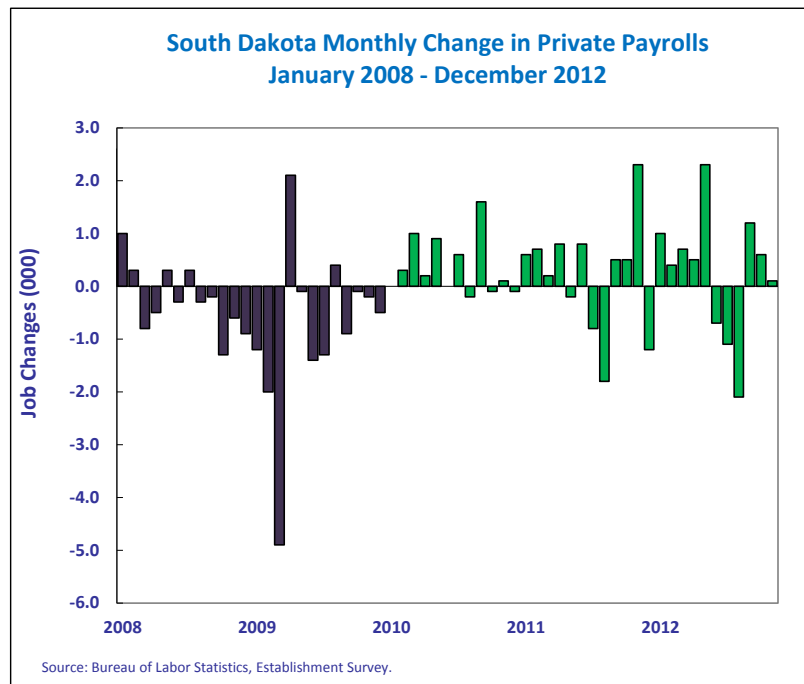
## Economic Overview And Outlook: South Dakota

### JOBS

- Including December, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 34 consecutive months.
- In South Dakota, private sector employment fell by 3.9 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 3.0 percent.
- In South Dakota, employees in the manufacturing, natural resources, mining, construction, and information services sectors faced the largest job losses (as a percent of employment within an industry) over the recession. Since the beginning of 2010, the following sectors in South Dakota have experienced the greatest employment increases: manufacturing; professional and business services; and education and health services.\*
- As the economy continues its emergence from the Great Recession, service-providing industries are projected to add the most jobs between 2010 and 2020. The largest gains over this period are expected to occur in the healthcare and social assistance, professional and business services, and retail trade sectors. Job gains in the goods-producing sector of the economy will be led by the construction and mining industries while the number of manufacturing jobs is expected to fall.

### EMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in South Dakota was 4.4 percent in December 2012, up 1.7 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 5.3 percent in February 2010.
- 19,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in South Dakota during December 2012.
- In South Dakota, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 1,736 during December, up 9.3 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 3,750 in March 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 53.7 percent.



### EARNINGS

- Between the start of the recession in the 4th quarter of 2007 and the 3rd quarter of 2009, inflation-adjusted total personal income in the United States declined 4.6 percent. Most recently, in the 3rd quarter of 2012, total personal income is 1.8 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.
- Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in South Dakota was \$37,847.80 in the 3rd quarter of 2012, up from \$36,036.60 in the 3rd quarter of 2010.

### HOUSING

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 17.5 percent over 21 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2012 and the third quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 1.2 percent.
- In South Dakota, home prices have risen by 0.3 percent from the previous peak set in the first quarter of 2009.
- As of the 3rd quarter of 2012, 1.4 percent of all mortgages, including 9.7 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in South Dakota.
- Housing starts in South Dakota totaled 4,860 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in November 2012, a decrease of 8.0 percent from October.
- Within the Midwest census region, which includes South Dakota, sales of new single-family homes totaled 49,000 units in November 2012, a decrease of 12.5 percent from October. Sales of existing single-family homes increased 6.7 percent to 1,110,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from October to November 2012.

\* For South Dakota-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the South Dakota office: [http://dol.sd.gov/lmic/menu\\_labor\\_force.aspx](http://dol.sd.gov/lmic/menu_labor_force.aspx)

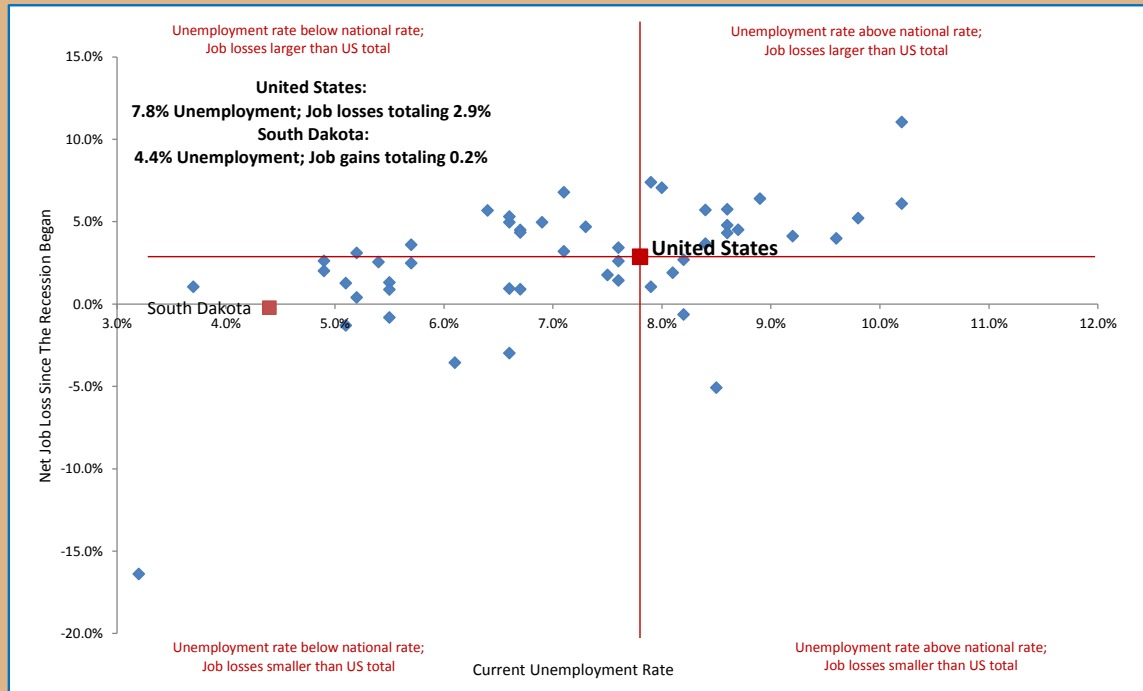


## How Does South Dakota Compare To Other States?

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The current unemployment rate (measured along the horizontal axis) serves as a gauge of current labor market conditions faced by residents, while the proportion of jobs lost within South Dakota since the start of the recession (shown along the vertical axis) measures the toll the recession took on the job supply in South Dakota.

States falling in the upper right quadrant have lost a disproportionate share of jobs, relative to the total United States, and have unemployment rates higher than the national unemployment rate. States falling in the lower left quadrant are experiencing lower unemployment rates and smaller job losses than the national average.



### STATE QUICK FACTS

		South Dakota	United States
<b>Unemployment Rates</b> .....	December 2009	5.3%	9.9%
	December 2010	5.0%	9.3%
	December 2011	4.3%	8.5%
	December 2012	4.4%	7.8%
<b>Percent of Population Who Are Veterans</b> .....	2011	12.1%	9.4%
<b>All Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	4.1%	8.3%
<b>Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	6.6%	12.1%
<b>Median Household Income</b> .....	2007	\$ 50,351	\$ 54,489
	(2011 \$)	2011	\$ 47,223
<b>Poverty Rate</b> .....	2007	9.4%	12.5%
	2011	14.5%	15.0%
<b>No Health Insurance</b> .....	2007	9.9%	14.7%
	2011	13.0%	15.7%



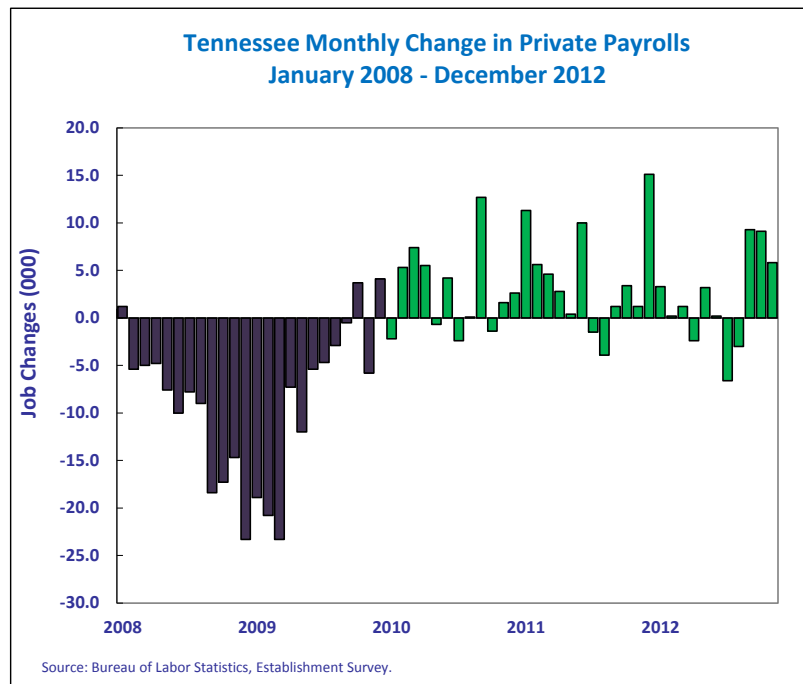
## Economic Overview And Outlook: Tennessee

### JOBS

- Including December, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 34 consecutive months.
- In Tennessee, private sector employment fell by 9.2 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 4.9 percent.
- In Tennessee, employees in the natural resources, mining, construction, manufacturing, and professional and business services sectors faced the largest job losses (as a percent of employment within an industry) over the recession. Since the beginning of 2010, the following sectors in Tennessee have experienced the greatest employment increases: natural resources, mining, and construction; professional and business services; and manufacturing.\*
- As the economy continues its emergence from the Great Recession, service-providing industries are projected to add the most jobs between 2010 and 2020. The largest gains over this period are expected to occur in the healthcare and social assistance, professional and business services, and retail trade sectors. Job gains in the goods-producing sector of the economy will be led by the construction and mining industries while the number of manufacturing jobs is expected to fall.

### EMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Tennessee was 7.6 percent in December 2012, up 2.2 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 11.0 percent in July 2009.
- 236,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Tennessee during December 2012.
- In Tennessee, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 24,432 during December, down 5.5 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 66,392 in March 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 63.2 percent.



### EARNINGS

- Between the start of the recession in the 4th quarter of 2007 and the 3rd quarter of 2009, inflation-adjusted total personal income in the United States declined 4.6 percent. Most recently, in the 3rd quarter of 2012, total personal income is 1.8 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.
- Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Tennessee was \$32,526.30 in the 3rd quarter of 2012, up from \$31,716.90 in the 3rd quarter of 2010.

### HOUSING

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 17.5 percent over 21 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2012 and the third quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 1.2 percent.
- In Tennessee, home prices fell by 8.2 percent over 13 quarters from their peak in the first quarter of 2008. Since the second quarter of 2011, home prices in Tennessee have risen by 1.2 percent.
- As of the 3rd quarter of 2012, 2.1 percent of all mortgages, including 5.5 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Tennessee.
- Housing starts in Tennessee totaled 19,880 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in November 2012, a decrease of 1.5 percent from October.
- Within the South census region, which includes Tennessee, sales of new single-family homes totaled 218,000 units in November 2012, an increase of 21.1 percent from October. Sales of existing single-family homes increased 6.1 percent to 1,750,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from October to November 2012.

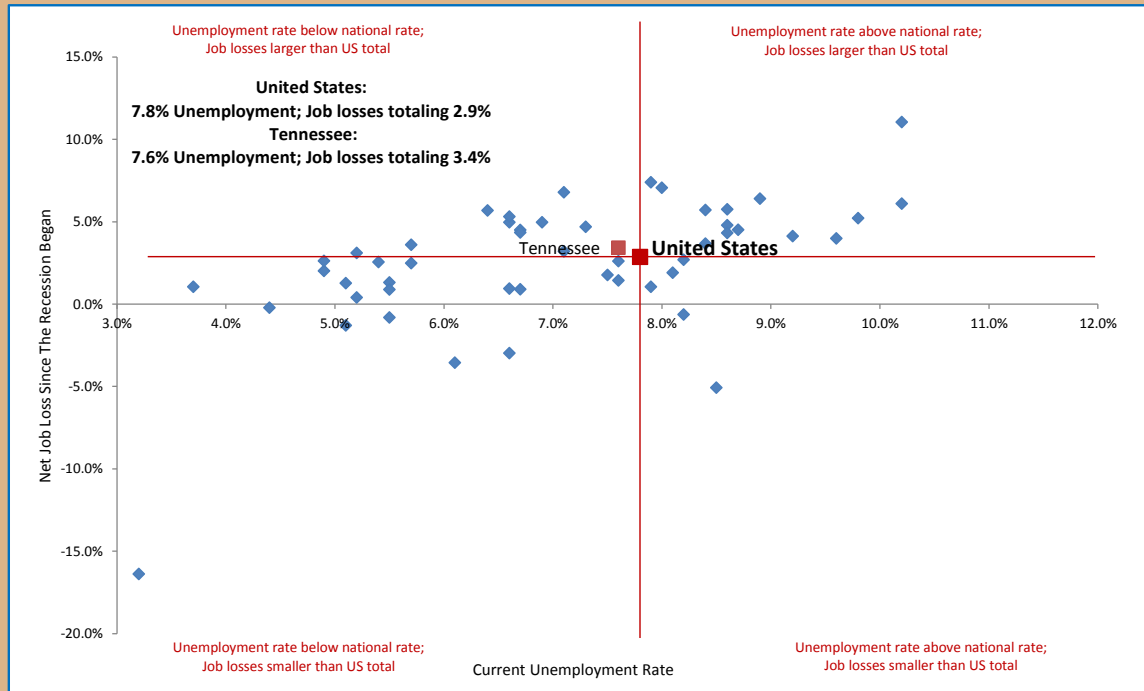
\* For Tennessee-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the Tennessee office: <http://www.tn.gov/labor-wfd/lmr/>

## How Does Tennessee Compare To Other States?

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The current unemployment rate (measured along the horizontal axis) serves as a gauge of current labor market conditions faced by residents, while the proportion of jobs lost within Tennessee since the start of the recession (shown along the vertical axis) measures the toll the recession took on the job supply in Tennessee.

States falling in the upper right quadrant have lost a disproportionate share of jobs, relative to the total United States, and have unemployment rates higher than the national unemployment rate. States falling in the lower left quadrant are experiencing lower unemployment rates and smaller job losses than the national average.



### STATE QUICK FACTS

		Tennessee	United States
<b>Unemployment Rates</b> .....	December 2009	10.5%	9.9%
	December 2010	9.6%	9.3%
	December 2011	8.5%	8.5%
	December 2012	7.6%	7.8%
<b>Percent of Population Who Are Veterans</b> .....	2011	10.6%	9.4%
<b>All Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	10.9%	8.3%
<b>Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	17.9%	12.1%
<b>Median Household Income</b> .....	2007	\$ 44,685	\$ 54,489
	(2011 \$) 2011	\$ 42,279	\$ 50,054
<b>Poverty Rate</b> .....	2007	14.8%	12.5%
	2011	16.3%	15.0%
<b>No Health Insurance</b> .....	2007	14.0%	14.7%
	2011	13.3%	15.7%



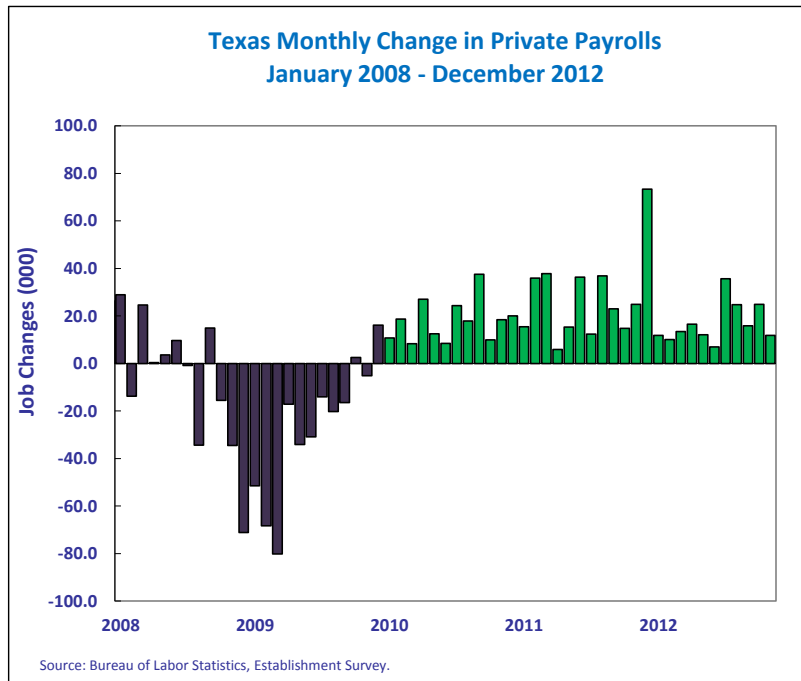
## Economic Overview And Outlook: Texas

### JOBS

- Including December, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 34 consecutive months.
- In Texas, private sector employment fell by 4.5 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 8.6 percent.
- In Texas, employees in the construction, manufacturing, and mining sectors faced the largest job losses (as a percent of employment within an industry) over the recession. Since the beginning of 2010, the following sectors in Texas have experienced the greatest employment increases: mining; professional and business services; and leisure and hospitality.\*
- As the economy continues its emergence from the Great Recession, service-providing industries are projected to add the most jobs between 2010 and 2020. The largest gains over this period are expected to occur in the healthcare and social assistance, professional and business services, and retail trade sectors. Job gains in the goods-producing sector of the economy will be led by the construction and mining industries while the number of manufacturing jobs is expected to fall.

### EMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Texas was 6.1 percent in December 2012, up 1.7 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 8.2 percent in December 2010.
- 771,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Texas during December 2012.
- In Texas, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 72,551 during December, down 6.1 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 132,194 in September 2008, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 45.1 percent.



### EARNINGS

- Between the start of the recession in the 4th quarter of 2007 and the 3rd quarter of 2009, inflation-adjusted total personal income in the United States declined 4.6 percent. Most recently, in the 3rd quarter of 2012, total personal income is 1.8 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.
- Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Texas was \$35,535.20 in the 3rd quarter of 2012, up from \$34,655.70 in the 3rd quarter of 2010.

### HOUSING

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 17.5 percent over 21 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2012 and the third quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 1.2 percent.
- In Texas, home prices fell by 3.8 percent over 9 quarters from their peak in the first quarter of 2009. Since the second quarter of 2011, home prices in Texas have risen by 2.7 percent.
- As of the 3rd quarter of 2012, 1.7 percent of all mortgages, including 6.4 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Texas.
- Housing starts in Texas totaled 136,960 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in November 2012, a decrease of 4.6 percent from October.
- Within the South census region, which includes Texas, sales of new single-family homes totaled 218,000 units in November 2012, an increase of 21.1 percent from October. Sales of existing single-family homes increased 6.1 percent to 1,750,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from October to November 2012.

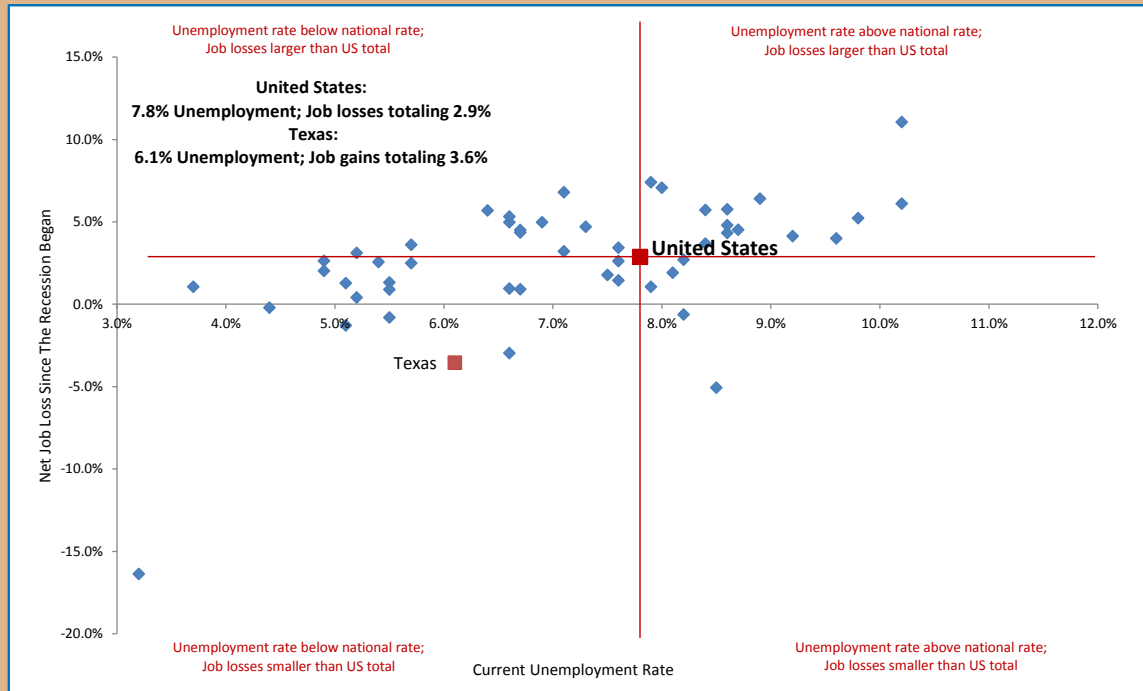
\* For Texas-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the Texas office: <http://www.tracer2.com/?PAGEID=133>

## How Does Texas Compare To Other States?

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The current unemployment rate (measured along the horizontal axis) serves as a gauge of current labor market conditions faced by residents, while the proportion of jobs lost within Texas since the start of the recession (shown along the vertical axis) measures the toll the recession took on the job supply in Texas.

States falling in the upper right quadrant have lost a disproportionate share of jobs, relative to the total United States, and have unemployment rates higher than the national unemployment rate. States falling in the lower left quadrant are experiencing lower unemployment rates and smaller job losses than the national average.



### STATE QUICK FACTS

		<b>Texas</b>	<b>United States</b>
<b>Unemployment Rates</b> .....	December 2009	8.2%	9.9%
	December 2010	8.2%	9.3%
	December 2011	7.4%	8.5%
	December 2012	6.1%	7.8%
<b>Percent of Population Who Are Veterans</b> .....	2011	8.8%	9.4%
<b>All Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	7.2%	8.3%
<b>Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	13.5%	12.1%
<b>Median Household Income</b> .....	2007	\$ 49,955	\$ 54,489
	(2011 \$) 2011	\$ 49,047	\$ 50,054
<b>Poverty Rate</b> .....	2007	16.5%	12.5%
	2011	17.4%	15.0%
<b>No Health Insurance</b> .....	2007	24.7%	14.7%
	2011	23.8%	15.7%



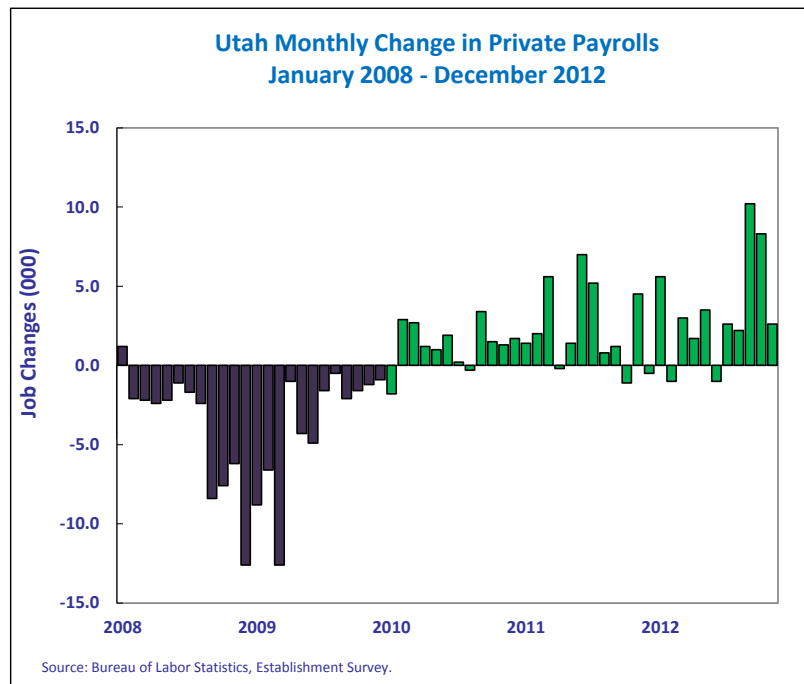
## Economic Overview And Outlook: Utah

### JOBS

- Including December, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 34 consecutive months.
- In Utah, private sector employment fell by 9.1 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 8.6 percent.
- In Utah, employees in the construction, manufacturing, and professional and business services sectors faced the largest job losses (as a percent of employment within an industry) over the recession. Since the beginning of 2010, the following sectors in Utah have experienced the greatest employment increases: mining; professional and business services; and leisure and hospitality.\*
- As the economy continues its emergence from the Great Recession, service-providing industries are projected to add the most jobs between 2010 and 2020. The largest gains over this period are expected to occur in the healthcare and social assistance, professional and business services, and retail trade sectors. Job gains in the goods-producing sector of the economy will be led by the construction and mining industries while the number of manufacturing jobs is expected to fall.

### EMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Utah was 5.2 percent in December 2012, up 2.4 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 8.3 percent in January 2010.
- 71,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Utah during December 2012.
- In Utah, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 6,296 during December, down 24.4 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 16,442 in March 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 61.7 percent.



### EARNINGS

- Between the start of the recession in the 4th quarter of 2007 and the 3rd quarter of 2009, inflation-adjusted total personal income in the United States declined 4.6 percent. Most recently, in the 3rd quarter of 2012, total personal income is 1.8 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.
- Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Utah was \$29,792.90 in the 3rd quarter of 2012, up from \$28,893.20 in the 3rd quarter of 2010.

### HOUSING

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 17.5 percent over 21 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2012 and the third quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 1.2 percent.
- In Utah, home prices fell by 21.4 percent over 14 quarters from their peak in the fourth quarter of 2007. Since the second quarter of 2011, home prices in Utah have risen by 3.4 percent.
- As of the 3rd quarter of 2012, 1.9 percent of all mortgages, including 6.3 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Utah.
- Housing starts in Utah totaled 17,770 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in November 2012, an increase of 11.3 percent from October.
- Within the West census region, which includes Utah, sales of new single-family homes totaled 83,000 units in November 2012, a decrease of 17.8 percent from October. Sales of existing single-family homes increased 1.9 percent to 1,070,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from October to November 2012.

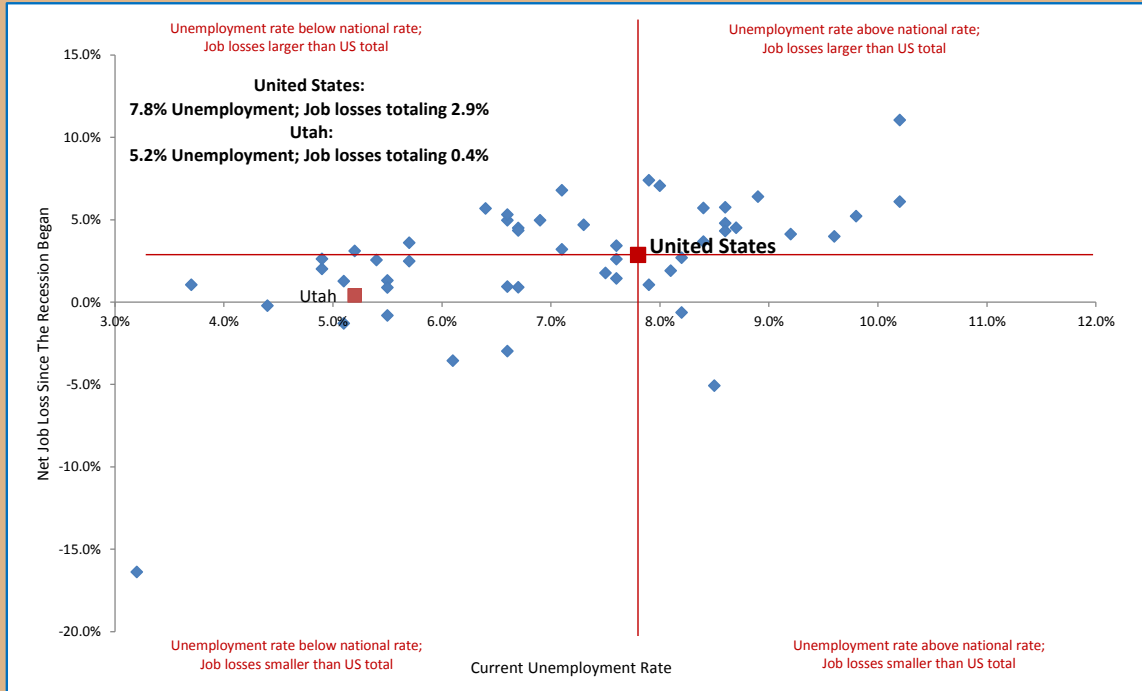
\* For Utah-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the Utah office: <http://jobs.utah.gov/opencms/wi/pubs/une/>

## How Does Utah Compare To Other States?

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The current unemployment rate (measured along the horizontal axis) serves as a gauge of current labor market conditions faced by residents, while the proportion of jobs lost within Utah since the start of the recession (shown along the vertical axis) measures the toll the recession took on the job supply in Utah.

States falling in the upper right quadrant have lost a disproportionate share of jobs, relative to the total United States, and have unemployment rates higher than the national unemployment rate. States falling in the lower left quadrant are experiencing lower unemployment rates and smaller job losses than the national average.



### STATE QUICK FACTS

		Utah	United States
<b>Unemployment Rates</b> .....	December 2009	8.2%	9.9%
	December 2010	7.6%	9.3%
	December 2011	5.8%	8.5%
	December 2012	5.2%	7.8%
<b>Percent of Population Who Are Veterans</b> .....	2011	8.4%	9.4%
<b>All Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	8.1%	8.3%
<b>Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	12.6%	12.1%
<b>Median Household Income</b> .....	2007	\$ 58,064	\$ 54,489
	(2011 \$)	2011	\$ 55,493
<b>Poverty Rate</b> .....	2007	9.6%	12.5%
	2011	11.0%	15.0%
<b>No Health Insurance</b> .....	2007	12.2%	14.7%
	2011	14.6%	15.7%

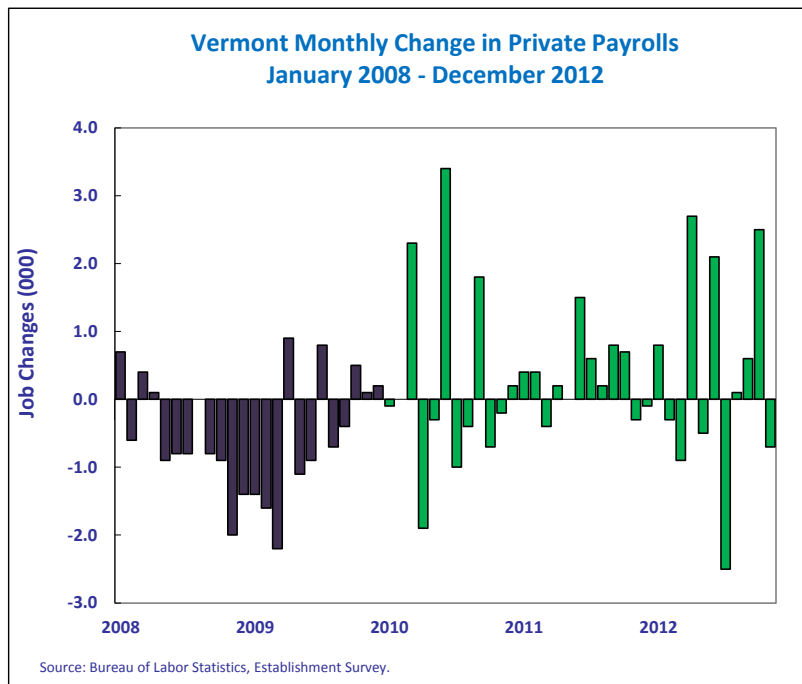
## Economic Overview And Outlook: Vermont

### JOBS

- Including December, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 34 consecutive months.
- In Vermont, private sector employment fell by 5.1 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 4.6 percent.
- In Vermont, employees in the construction, manufacturing, and trade, transportation and utilities sectors faced the largest job losses (as a percent of employment within an industry) over the recession. Since the beginning of 2010, the following sectors in Vermont have experienced the greatest employment increases: professional and business services; education and health services; and leisure and hospitality.\*
- As the economy continues its emergence from the Great Recession, service-providing industries are projected to add the most jobs between 2010 and 2020. The largest gains over this period are expected to occur in the healthcare and social assistance, professional and business services, and retail trade sectors. Job gains in the goods-producing sector of the economy will be led by the construction and mining industries while the number of manufacturing jobs is expected to fall.

### EMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Vermont was 5.1 percent in December 2012, up 1.0 percentage point from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 7.2 percent in June 2009.
- 18,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Vermont during December 2012.
- In Vermont, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 3,753 during December, up 1.7 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 5,746 in March 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 34.7 percent.



### EARNINGS

- Between the start of the recession in the 4th quarter of 2007 and the 3rd quarter of 2009, inflation-adjusted total personal income in the United States declined 4.6 percent. Most recently, in the 3rd quarter of 2012, total personal income is 1.8 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.

- Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Vermont was \$37,437.70 in the 3rd quarter of 2012, up from \$35,997.60 in the 3rd quarter of 2010.

### HOUSING

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 17.5 percent over 21 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2012 and the third quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 1.2 percent.
- In Vermont, home prices fell by 5.2 percent over 13 quarters from their peak in the first quarter of 2008. Since the second quarter of 2011, home prices in Vermont have risen by 1.1 percent.
- As of the 3rd quarter of 2012, 4.0 percent of all mortgages, including 18.6 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Vermont.
- Housing starts in Vermont totaled 850 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in November 2012, a decrease of 49.4 percent from October.
- Within the Northeast census region, which includes Vermont, sales of new single-family homes totaled 27,000 units in November 2012, an increase of 12.5 percent from October. Sales of existing single-family homes increased 8.5 percent to 510,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from October to November 2012.

\* For Vermont-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the Vermont office: <http://www.vtlni.info/>

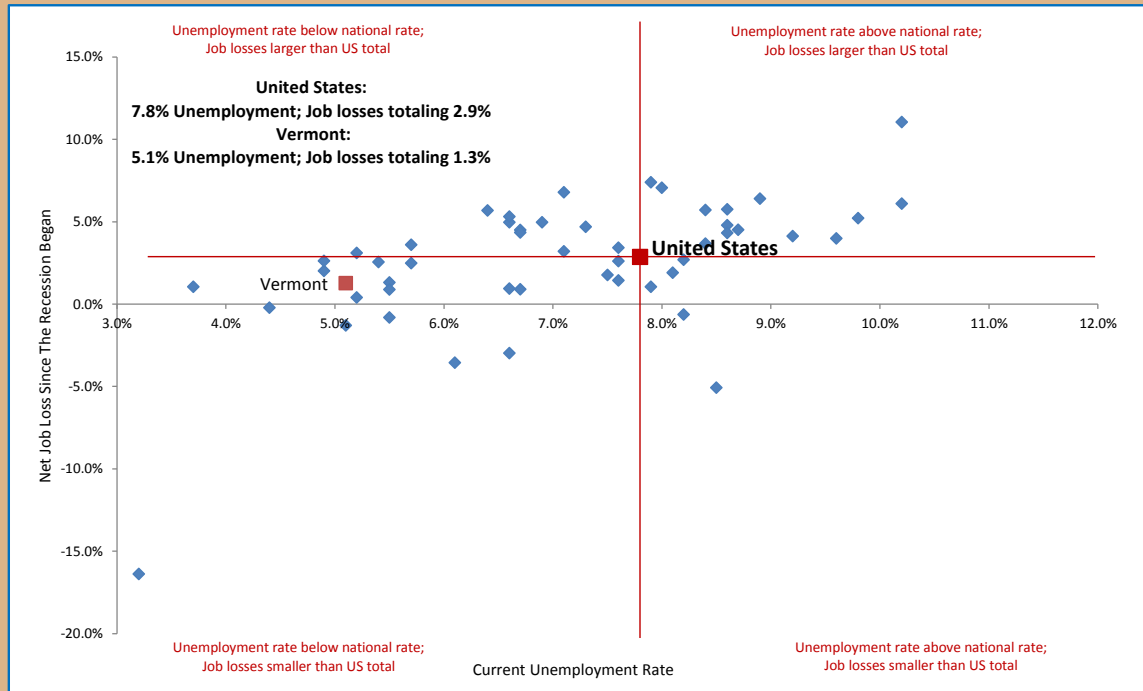


## How Does Vermont Compare To Other States?

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The current unemployment rate (measured along the horizontal axis) serves as a gauge of current labor market conditions faced by residents, while the proportion of jobs lost within Vermont since the start of the recession (shown along the vertical axis) measures the toll the recession took on the job supply in Vermont.

States falling in the upper right quadrant have lost a disproportionate share of jobs, relative to the total United States, and have unemployment rates higher than the national unemployment rate. States falling in the lower left quadrant are experiencing lower unemployment rates and smaller job losses than the national average.



### STATE QUICK FACTS

		Vermont	United States
<b>Unemployment Rates</b> .....	December 2009	6.7%	9.9%
	December 2010	6.1%	9.3%
	December 2011	5.2%	8.5%
	December 2012	5.1%	7.8%
<b>Percent of Population Who Are Veterans</b> .....	2011	9.7%	9.4%
<b>All Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	4.7%	8.3%
<b>Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	8.3%	12.1%
<b>Median Household Income</b> .....	2007	\$ 51,405	\$ 54,489
	(2011 \$)	2011	\$ 51,862
<b>Poverty Rate</b> .....	2007	9.9%	12.5%
	2011	11.6%	15.0%
<b>No Health Insurance</b> .....	2007	10.1%	14.7%
	2011	8.6%	15.7%



## Economic Overview And Outlook: Virginia

### JOBS

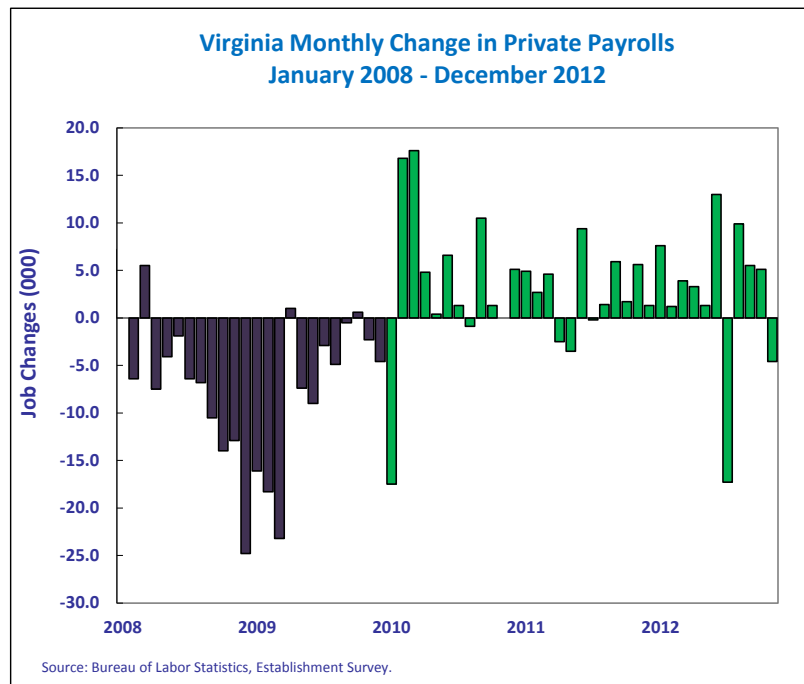
- Including December, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 34 consecutive months.
- In Virginia, private sector employment fell by 6.3 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 4.3 percent.
- In Virginia, employees in the construction, manufacturing, and information services sectors faced the largest job losses (as a percent of employment within an industry) over the recession. Since the beginning of 2010, the following sectors in Virginia have experienced the greatest employment increases: education and health services; financial activities; and leisure and hospitality.\*
- As the economy continues its emergence from the Great Recession, service-providing industries are projected to add the most jobs between 2010 and 2020. The largest gains over this period are expected to occur in the healthcare and social assistance, professional and business services, and retail trade sectors. Job gains in the goods-producing sector of the economy will be led by the construction and mining industries while the number of manufacturing jobs is expected to fall.

### EMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Virginia was 5.5 percent in December 2012, up 2.2 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 7.3 percent in January 2010.
- 238,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Virginia during December 2012.
- In Virginia, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 23,725 during December, down 8.2 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 53,105 in March 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 55.3 percent.

### EARNINGS

- Between the start of the recession in the 4th quarter of 2007 and the 3rd quarter of 2009, inflation-adjusted total personal income in the United States declined 4.6 percent. Most recently, in the 3rd quarter of 2012, total personal income is 1.8 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.



- Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Virginia was \$40,522.10 in the 3rd quarter of 2012, up from \$39,877.80 in the 3rd quarter of 2010.

### HOUSING

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 17.5 percent over 21 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2012 and the third quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 1.2 percent.
- In Virginia, home prices fell by 15.8 percent over 20 quarters from their peak in the second quarter of 2007. Since the second quarter of 2012, home prices in Virginia have risen by 1.0 percent.
- As of the 3rd quarter of 2012, 1.7 percent of all mortgages, including 6.5 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Virginia.
- Housing starts in Virginia totaled 34,790 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in November 2012, an increase of 40.5 percent from October.
- Within the South census region, which includes Virginia, sales of new single-family homes totaled 218,000 units in November 2012, an increase of 21.1 percent from October. Sales of existing single-family homes increased 6.1 percent to 1,750,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from October to November 2012.

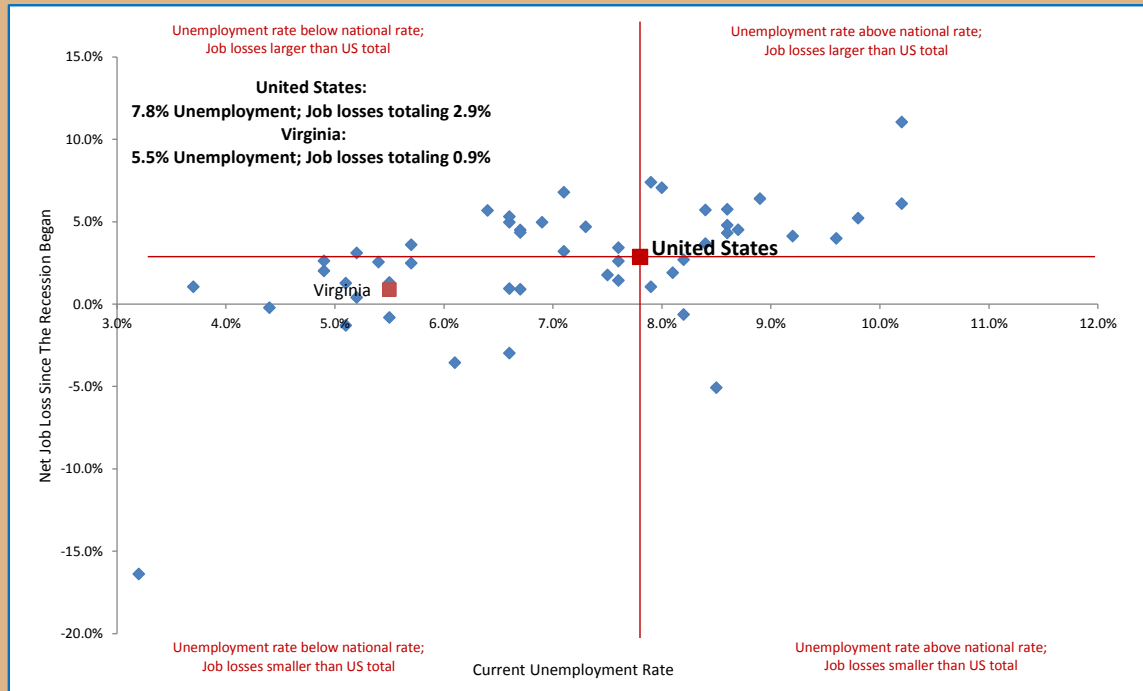
\* For Virginia-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the Virginia office: <http://www.vawc.virginia.gov/analyzer/default.asp>

## How Does Virginia Compare To Other States?

Workers across the country were hard hit during the Great Recession. Although labor markets in many states have started recovering, employment in most states still remains below pre-recession levels. The chart below allows you to compare Virginia to other states using two metrics.

The current unemployment rate (measured along the horizontal axis) serves as a gauge of current labor market conditions faced by residents, while the proportion of jobs lost within Virginia since the start of the recession (shown along the vertical axis) measures the toll the recession took on the job supply in Virginia.

States falling in the upper right quadrant have lost a disproportionate share of jobs, relative to the total United States, and have unemployment rates higher than the national unemployment rate. States falling in the lower left quadrant are experiencing lower unemployment rates and smaller job losses than the national average.



### STATE QUICK FACTS

		Virginia	United States
<b>Unemployment Rates</b> .....	December 2009	7.2%	9.9%
	December 2010	6.5%	9.3%
	December 2011	6.1%	8.5%
	December 2012	5.5%	7.8%
<b>Percent of Population Who Are Veterans</b> .....	2011	13.9%	9.4%
<b>All Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	5.4%	8.3%
<b>Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	6.2%	12.1%
<b>Median Household Income</b> .....	2007	\$ 64,174	\$ 54,489
	(2011 \$)	2011	\$ 62,616
<b>Poverty Rate</b> .....	2007	8.6%	12.5%
	2011	11.4%	15.0%
<b>No Health Insurance</b> .....	2007	14.2%	14.7%
	2011	13.4%	15.7%



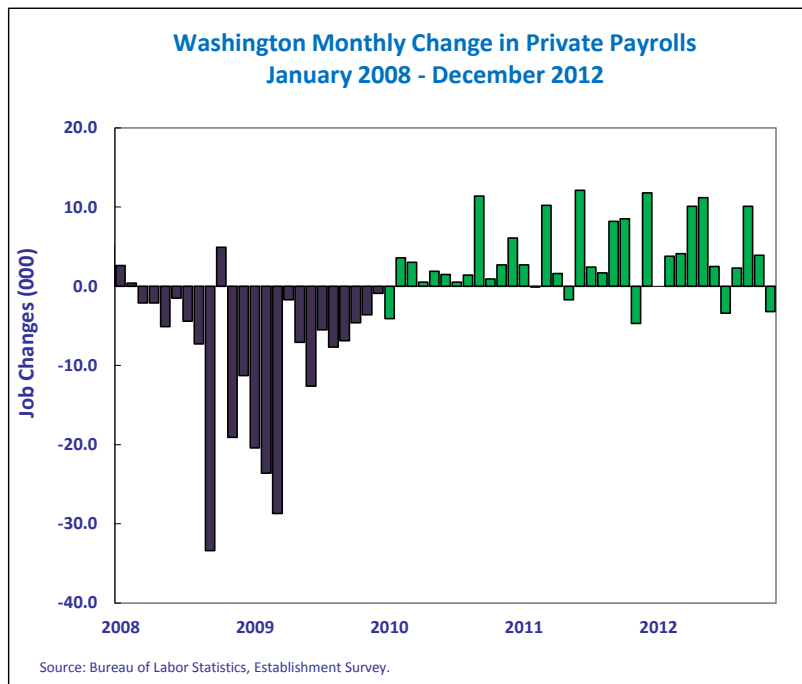
## Economic Overview And Outlook: Washington

### JOBS

- Including December, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 34 consecutive months.
- In Washington, private sector employment fell by 8.5 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 5.7 percent.
- In Washington, employees in the mining, construction, and manufacturing sectors faced the largest job losses (as a percent of employment within an industry) over the recession. Since the beginning of 2010, the following sectors in Washington have experienced the greatest employment increases: manufacturing; professional and business services; and leisure and hospitality.\*
- As the economy continues its emergence from the Great Recession, service-providing industries are projected to add the most jobs between 2010 and 2020. The largest gains over this period are expected to occur in the healthcare and social assistance, professional and business services, and retail trade sectors. Job gains in the goods-producing sector of the economy will be led by the construction and mining industries while the number of manufacturing jobs is expected to fall.

### EMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Washington was 7.6 percent in December 2012, up 3.0 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 10.2 percent in March 2010.
- 262,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Washington during December 2012.
- In Washington, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 38,511 during December, down 9.5 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 70,917 in February 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 45.7 percent.



### EARNINGS

- Between the start of the recession in the 4th quarter of 2007 and the 3rd quarter of 2009, inflation-adjusted total personal income in the United States declined 4.6 percent. Most recently, in the 3rd quarter of 2012, total personal income is 1.8 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.
- Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Washington was \$39,053.30 in the 3rd quarter of 2012, up from \$37,815.30 in the 3rd quarter of 2010.

### HOUSING

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 17.5 percent over 21 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2012 and the third quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 1.2 percent.
- In Washington, home prices fell by 24.0 percent over 18 quarters from their peak in the fourth quarter of 2007. Since the second quarter of 2012, home prices in Washington have risen by 1.8 percent.
- As of the 3rd quarter of 2012, 2.9 percent of all mortgages, including 9.8 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Washington.
- Housing starts in Washington totaled 26,470 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in November 2012, a decrease of 22.9 percent from October.
- Within the West census region, which includes Washington, sales of new single-family homes totaled 83,000 units in November 2012, a decrease of 17.8 percent from October. Sales of existing single-family homes increased 1.9 percent to 1,070,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from October to November 2012.

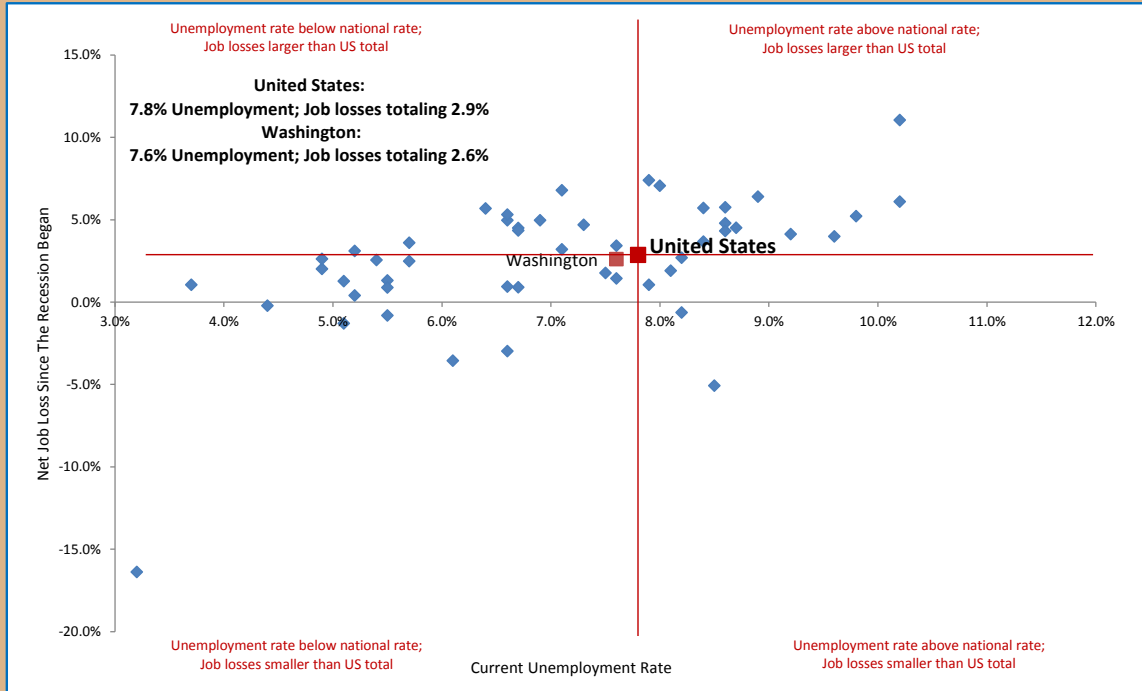
\* For Washington-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the Washington office: <http://www.workforceexplorer.com/>

## How Does Washington Compare To Other States?

Workers across the country were hard hit during the Great Recession. Although labor markets in many states have started recovering, employment in most states still remains below pre-recession levels. The chart below allows you to compare Washington to other states using two metrics.

The current unemployment rate (measured along the horizontal axis) serves as a gauge of current labor market conditions faced by residents, while the proportion of jobs lost within Washington since the start of the recession (shown along the vertical axis) measures the toll the recession took on the job supply in Washington.

States falling in the upper right quadrant have lost a disproportionate share of jobs, relative to the total United States, and have unemployment rates higher than the national unemployment rate. States falling in the lower left quadrant are experiencing lower unemployment rates and smaller job losses than the national average.



### STATE QUICK FACTS

		Washington	United States
<b>Unemployment Rates</b> .....	December 2009	10.2%	9.9%
	December 2010	9.7%	9.3%
	December 2011	8.6%	8.5%
	December 2012	7.6%	7.8%
<b>Percent of Population Who Are Veterans</b> .....	2011	12.5%	9.4%
<b>All Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	10.0%	8.3%
<b>Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	13.9%	12.1%
<b>Median Household Income</b> .....	2007	\$ 63,001	\$ 54,489
	(2011 \$) 2011	\$ 56,850	\$ 50,054
<b>Poverty Rate</b> .....	2007	10.2%	12.5%
	2011	12.5%	15.0%
<b>No Health Insurance</b> .....	2007	11.0%	14.7%
	2011	14.5%	15.7%



## Economic Overview And Outlook: West Virginia

### JOBS

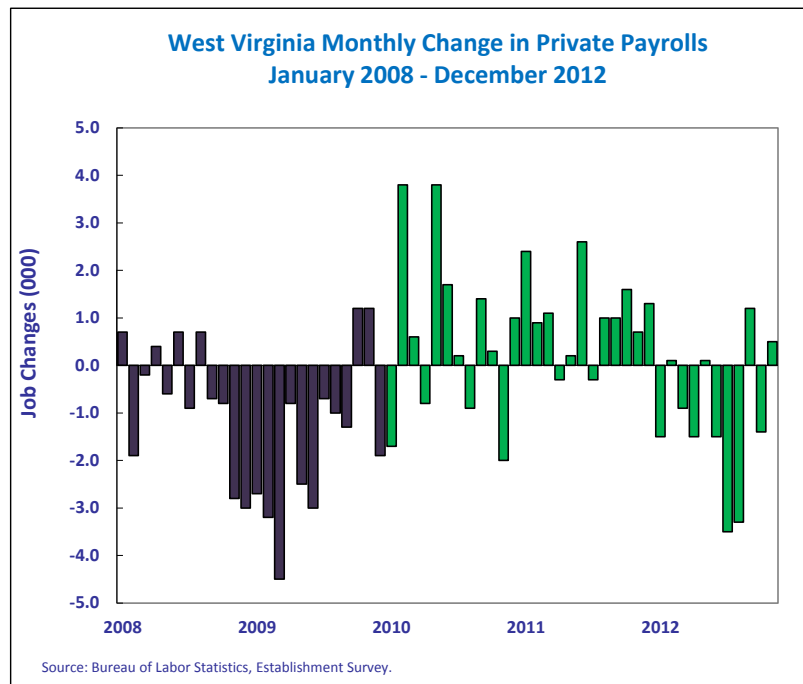
- Including December, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 34 consecutive months.
- In West Virginia, private sector employment fell by 4.8 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 1.6 percent.
- In West Virginia, employees in the manufacturing, construction, and trade, transportation and utilities sectors faced the largest job losses (as a percent of employment within an industry) over the recession. Since the beginning of 2010, the following sectors in West Virginia have experienced the greatest employment increases: education and health services; leisure and hospitality; and professional and business services.\*
- As the economy continues its emergence from the Great Recession, service-providing industries are projected to add the most jobs between 2010 and 2020. The largest gains over this period are expected to occur in the healthcare and social assistance, professional and business services, and retail trade sectors. Job gains in the goods-producing sector of the economy will be led by the construction and mining industries while the number of manufacturing jobs is expected to fall.

### EMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in West Virginia was 7.5 percent in December 2012, up 3.4 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 8.5 percent in November 2010.
- 60,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in West Virginia during December 2012.
- In West Virginia, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 6,142 during December, down 46.4 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 11,688 in April 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 47.5 percent.

### EARNINGS

- Between the start of the recession in the 4th quarter of 2007 and the 3rd quarter of 2009, inflation-adjusted total personal income in the United States declined 4.6 percent. Most recently, in the 3rd quarter of 2012, total personal income is 1.8 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.



- Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in West Virginia was \$29,861.00 in the 3rd quarter of 2012, up from \$28,845.20 in the 3rd quarter of 2010.

### HOUSING

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 17.5 percent over 21 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2012 and the third quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 1.2 percent.
- In West Virginia, home prices fell by 6.3 percent over 12 quarters from their peak in the second quarter of 2008. Since the second quarter of 2011, home prices in West Virginia have risen by 2.5 percent.
- As of the 3rd quarter of 2012, 1.8 percent of all mortgages, including 5.5 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in West Virginia.
- Housing starts in West Virginia totaled 1,850 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in November 2012, a decrease of 28.6 percent from October.
- Within the South census region, which includes West Virginia, sales of new single-family homes totaled 218,000 units in November 2012, an increase of 21.1 percent from October. Sales of existing single-family homes increased 6.1 percent to 1,750,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from October to November 2012.

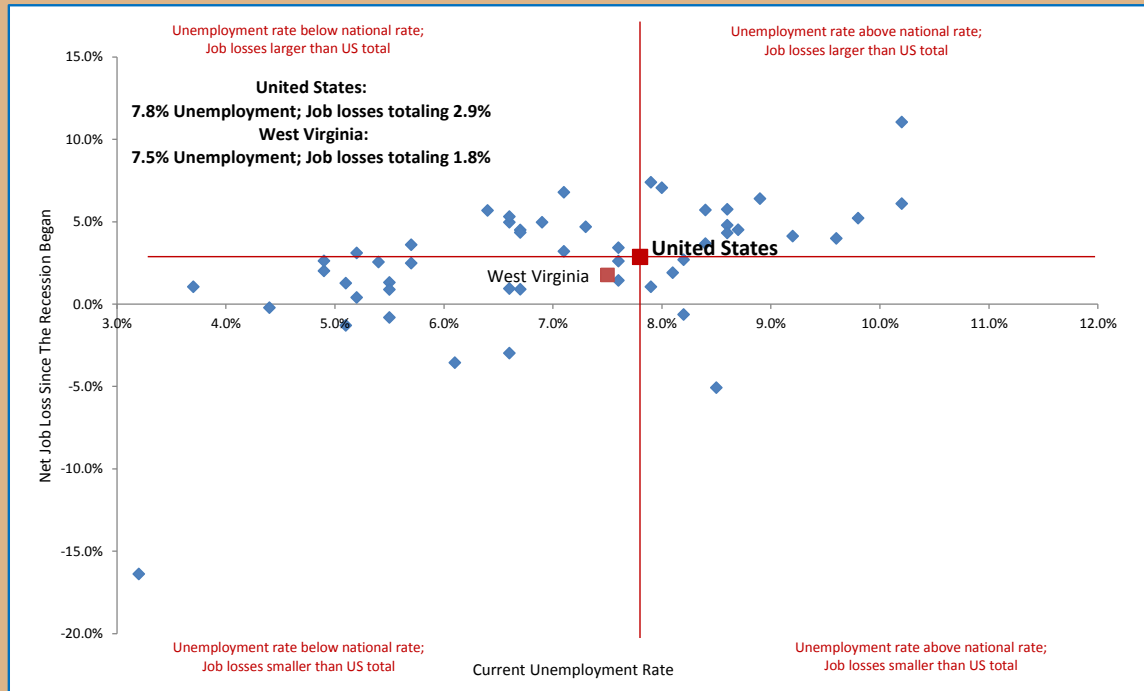
\* For West Virginia-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the West Virginia office: <http://www.workforcewv.org/lmi/>

## How Does West Virginia Compare To Other States?

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The current unemployment rate (measured along the horizontal axis) serves as a gauge of current labor market conditions faced by residents, while the proportion of jobs lost within West Virginia since the start of the recession (shown along the vertical axis) measures the toll the recession took on the job supply in West Virginia.

States falling in the upper right quadrant have lost a disproportionate share of jobs, relative to the total United States, and have unemployment rates higher than the national unemployment rate. States falling in the lower left quadrant are experiencing lower unemployment rates and smaller job losses than the national average.



### STATE QUICK FACTS

		West Virginia	United States
<b>Unemployment Rates</b> .....	December 2009	8.5%	9.9%
	December 2010	8.4%	9.3%
	December 2011	7.8%	8.5%
	December 2012	7.5%	7.8%
<b>Percent of Population Who Are Veterans</b> .....	2011	11.6%	9.4%
<b>All Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	7.7%	8.3%
<b>Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	8.9%	12.1%
<b>Median Household Income</b> .....	2007	\$ 45,657	\$ 54,489
	(2011 \$)	2011	\$ 41,821
<b>Poverty Rate</b> .....	2007	14.8%	12.5%
	2011	17.5%	15.0%
<b>No Health Insurance</b> .....	2007	13.7%	14.7%
	2011	14.9%	15.7%



## Economic Overview And Outlook: Wisconsin

### JOBS

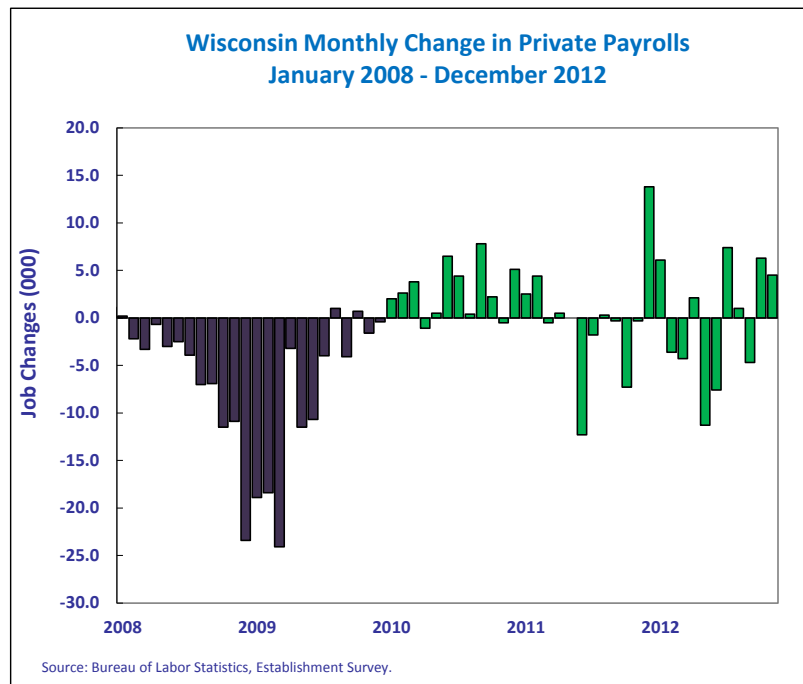
- Including December, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 34 consecutive months.
- In Wisconsin, private sector employment fell by 6.8 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 1.2 percent.
- In Wisconsin, employees in the construction, mining, and manufacturing sectors faced the largest job losses (as a percent of employment within an industry) over the recession. Since the beginning of 2010, the following sectors in Wisconsin have experienced the greatest employment increases: professional and business services; manufacturing; and education and health services.\*
- As the economy continues its emergence from the Great Recession, service-providing industries are projected to add the most jobs between 2010 and 2020. The largest gains over this period are expected to occur in the healthcare and social assistance, professional and business services, and retail trade sectors. Job gains in the goods-producing sector of the economy will be led by the construction and mining industries while the number of manufacturing jobs is expected to fall.

### EMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Wisconsin was 6.6 percent in December 2012, up 2.1 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 9.2 percent in January 2010.
- 202,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Wisconsin during December 2012.
- In Wisconsin, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 49,831 during December, down 8.2 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 115,191 in May 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 56.7 percent.

### EARNINGS

- Between the start of the recession in the 4th quarter of 2007 and the 3rd quarter of 2009, inflation-adjusted total personal income in the United States declined 4.6 percent. Most recently, in the 3rd quarter of 2012, total personal income is 1.8 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.



- Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Wisconsin was \$35,146.90 in the 3rd quarter of 2012, up from \$34,397.20 in the 3rd quarter of 2010.

### HOUSING

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 17.5 percent over 21 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2012 and the third quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 1.2 percent.
- In Wisconsin, home prices fell by 10.3 percent over 17 quarters from their peak in the first quarter of 2008. Since the second quarter of 2012, home prices in Wisconsin have risen by 0.9 percent.
- As of the 3rd quarter of 2012, 3.2 percent of all mortgages, including 12.4 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Wisconsin.
- Housing starts in Wisconsin totaled 14,540 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in November 2012, a decrease of 0.8 percent from October.
- Within the Midwest census region, which includes Wisconsin, sales of new single-family homes totaled 49,000 units in November 2012, a decrease of 12.5 percent from October. Sales of existing single-family homes increased 6.7 percent to 1,110,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from October to November 2012.

\* For Wisconsin-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the Wisconsin office: <http://www.dwd.state.wi.us/oea/>

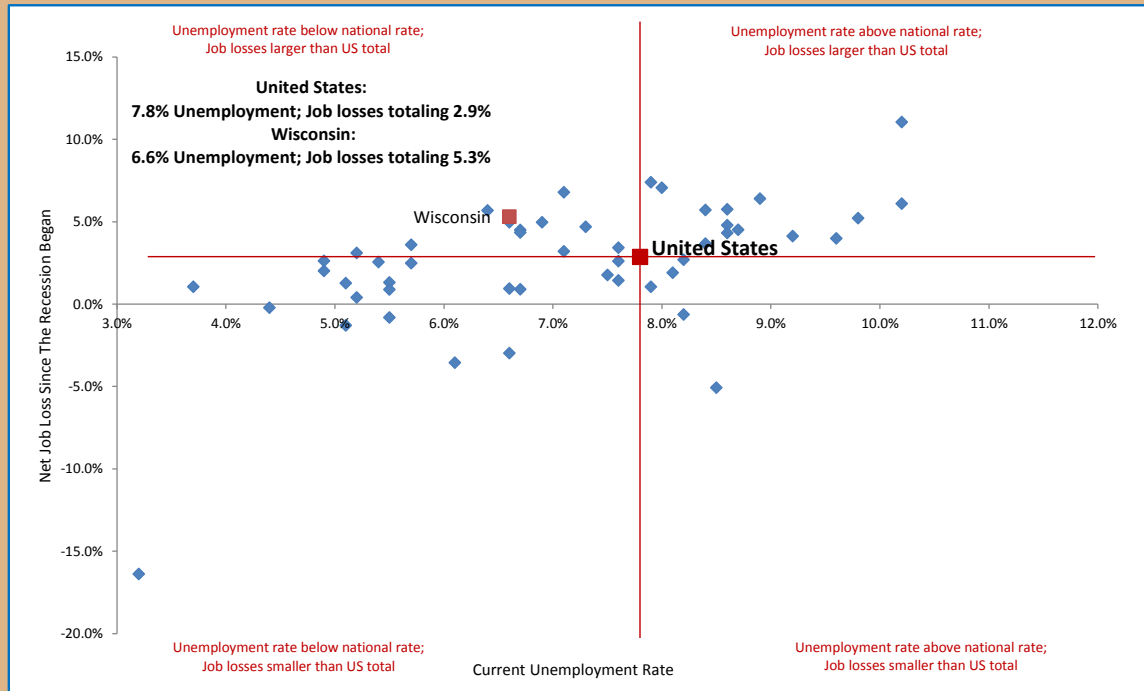


## How Does Wisconsin Compare To Other States?

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The current unemployment rate (measured along the horizontal axis) serves as a gauge of current labor market conditions faced by residents, while the proportion of jobs lost within Wisconsin since the start of the recession (shown along the vertical axis) measures the toll the recession took on the job supply in Wisconsin.

States falling in the upper right quadrant have lost a disproportionate share of jobs, relative to the total United States, and have unemployment rates higher than the national unemployment rate. States falling in the lower left quadrant are experiencing lower unemployment rates and smaller job losses than the national average.



### STATE QUICK FACTS

		Wisconsin	United States
<b>Unemployment Rates</b> .....	December 2009	9.1%	9.9%
	December 2010	7.8%	9.3%
	December 2011	7.0%	8.5%
	December 2012	6.6%	7.8%
<b>Percent of Population Who Are Veterans</b> .....	2011	10.1%	9.4%
<b>All Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	8.9%	8.3%
<b>Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	9.7%	12.1%
<b>Median Household Income</b> .....	2007	\$ 55,622	\$ 54,489
	(2011 \$)	2011	\$ 52,058
<b>Poverty Rate</b> .....	2007	11.0%	12.5%
	2011	13.1%	15.0%
<b>No Health Insurance</b> .....	2007	8.0%	14.7%
	2011	10.4%	15.7%

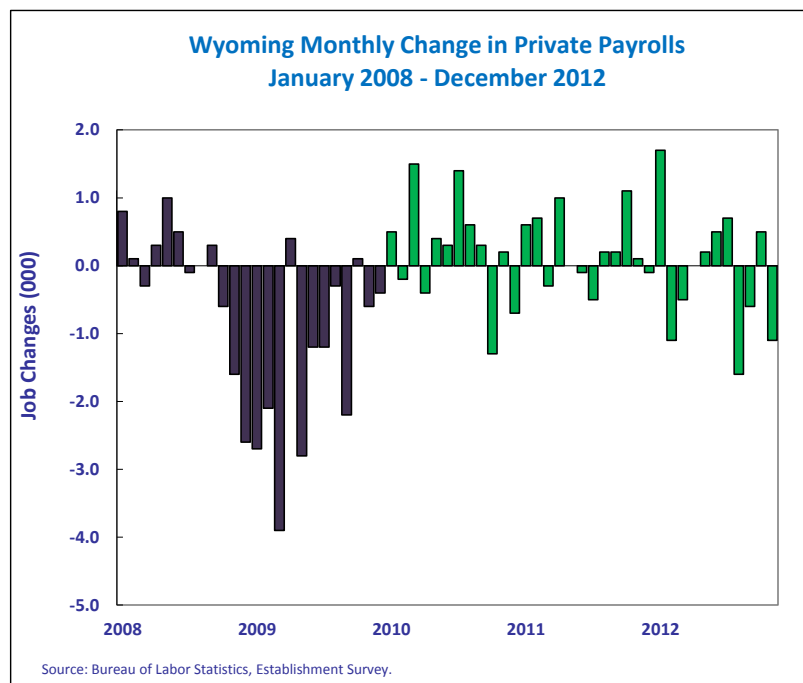
## Economic Overview And Outlook: Wyoming

### JOBS

- Including December, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 34 consecutive months.
- In Wyoming, private sector employment fell by 8.2 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 1.8 percent.
- In Wyoming, employees in the construction, manufacturing, and mining sectors faced the largest job losses (as a percent of employment within an industry) over the recession. Since the beginning of 2010, the following sectors in Wyoming have experienced the greatest employment increases: mining; trade, transportation and utilities; and government.\*
- As the economy continues its emergence from the Great Recession, service-providing industries are projected to add the most jobs between 2010 and 2020. The largest gains over this period are expected to occur in the healthcare and social assistance, professional and business services, and retail trade sectors. Job gains in the goods-producing sector of the economy will be led by the construction and mining industries while the number of manufacturing jobs is expected to fall.

### EMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Wyoming was 4.9 percent in December 2012, up 2.3 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 7.5 percent in January 2010.
- 15,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Wyoming during December 2012.
- In Wyoming, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 2,443 during December, up 10.0 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 4,585 in March 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 46.7 percent.



### EARNINGS

- Between the start of the recession in the 4th quarter of 2007 and the 3rd quarter of 2009, inflation-adjusted total personal income in the United States declined 4.6 percent. Most recently, in the 3rd quarter of 2012, total personal income is 1.8 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.
- Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Wyoming was \$42,592.40 in the 3rd quarter of 2012, up from \$41,325.20 in the 3rd quarter of 2010.

### HOUSING

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 17.5 percent over 21 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2012 and the third quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 1.2 percent.
- In Wyoming, home prices fell by 7.1 percent over 12 quarters from their peak in the second quarter of 2008. Since the second quarter of 2011, home prices in Wyoming have risen by 2.9 percent.
- As of the 3rd quarter of 2012, 0.8 percent of all mortgages, including 4.4 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Wyoming.
- Housing starts in Wyoming totaled 1,400 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in November 2012, a decrease of 31.7 percent from October.
- Within the West census region, which includes Wyoming, sales of new single-family homes totaled 83,000 units in November 2012, a decrease of 17.8 percent from October. Sales of existing single-family homes increased 1.9 percent to 1,070,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from October to November 2012.

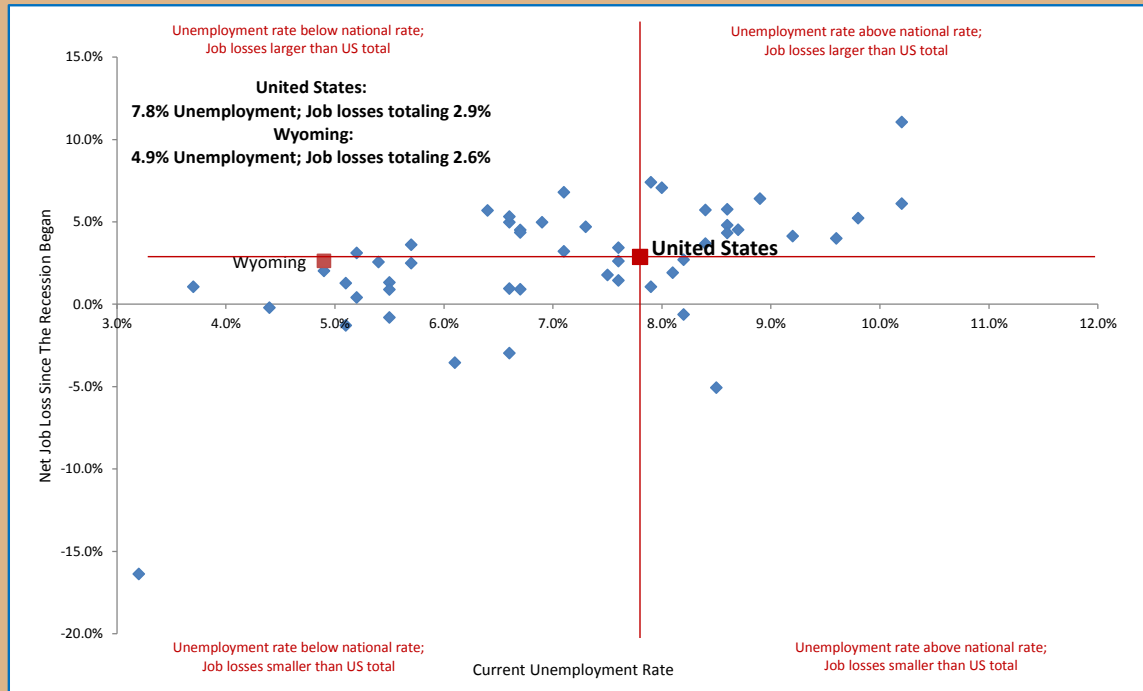
\* For Wyoming-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the Wyoming office: <http://wydoe.state.wy.us/lmi/bls.htm>

## How Does Wyoming Compare To Other States?

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The current unemployment rate (measured along the horizontal axis) serves as a gauge of current labor market conditions faced by residents, while the proportion of jobs lost within Wyoming since the start of the recession (shown along the vertical axis) measures the toll the recession took on the job supply in Wyoming.

States falling in the upper right quadrant have lost a disproportionate share of jobs, relative to the total United States, and have unemployment rates higher than the national unemployment rate. States falling in the lower left quadrant are experiencing lower unemployment rates and smaller job losses than the national average.



### STATE QUICK FACTS

		Wyoming	United States
<b>Unemployment Rates</b> .....	December 2009	7.5%	9.9%
	December 2010	6.4%	9.3%
	December 2011	5.6%	8.5%
	December 2012	4.9%	7.8%
<b>Percent of Population Who Are Veterans</b> .....	2011	13.6%	9.4%
<b>All Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	4.6%	8.3%
<b>Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	4.3%	12.1%
<b>Median Household Income</b> .....	2007	\$ 52,874	\$ 54,489
	(2011 \$)	2011	\$ 54,509
<b>Poverty Rate</b> .....	2007	10.9%	12.5%
	2011	10.7%	15.0%
<b>No Health Insurance</b> .....	2007	13.2%	14.7%
	2011	17.8%	15.7%

### EXPLANATION OF NET JOB LOSS AND UNEMPLOYMENT RATE CHART

The chart on the following page shows a comparison of the current (December 2012) unemployment rate and cumulative nonfarm job losses (as a percent of total employment) in each state and the District of Columbia versus the national average. States that appear in the upper right quadrant are experiencing unemployment rates higher than the national average and cumulative job losses greater than the national average. States in the lower left quadrant are experiencing lower unemployment rates and smaller job losses than the national average.

Meanwhile, states in the upper left quadrant are experiencing net job losses greater than the national average but have a current unemployment rate lower than the national average, and states located in the lower right quadrant are experiencing job losses below the national average even as their unemployment rate remains above the national average.

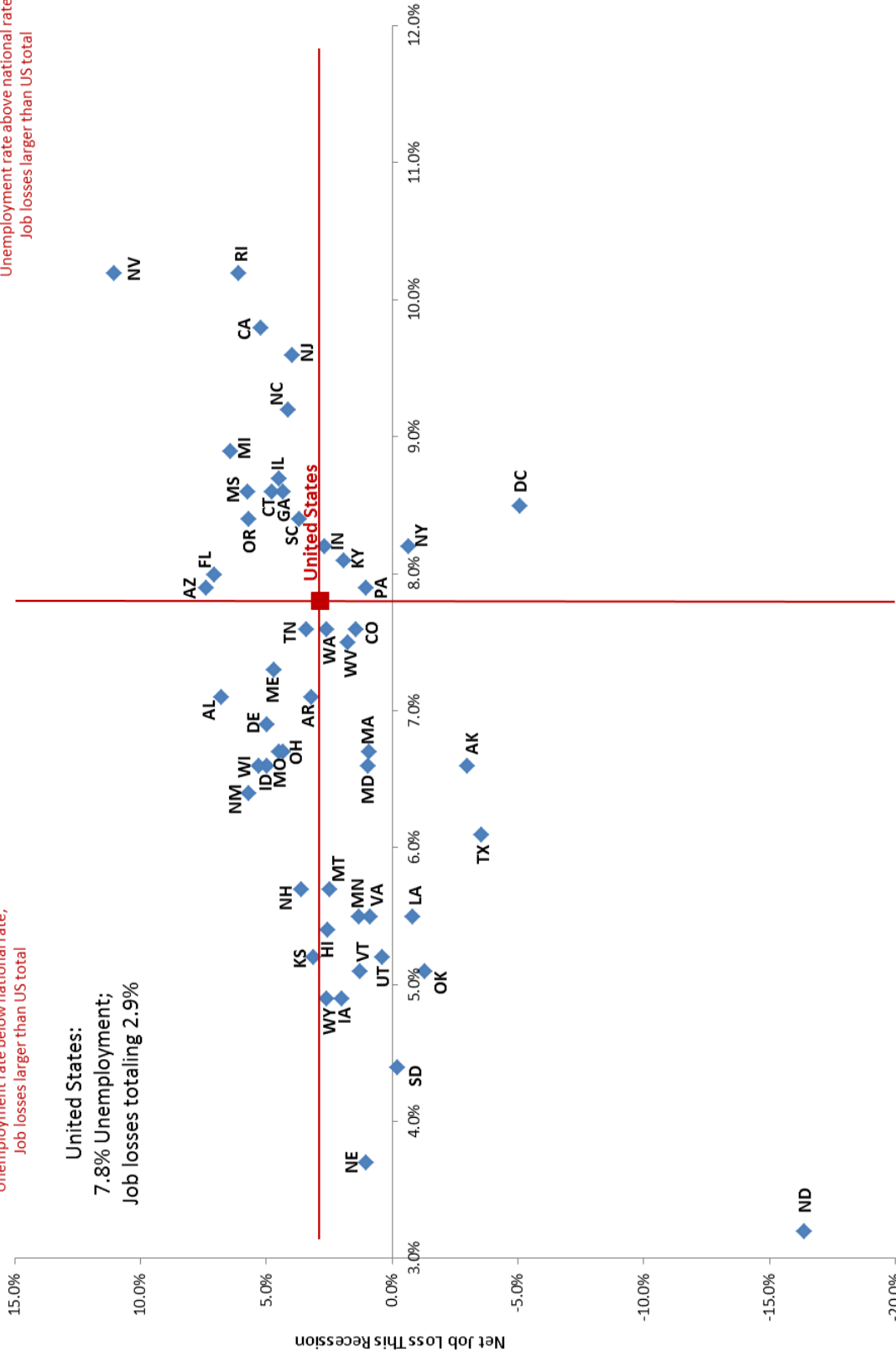
Most states experienced significant job losses during the recession. Between December 2007 and June 2009, forty-eight states and the District of Columbia saw declines in payroll employment. Only Alaska and North Dakota saw their payrolls increase during this period. Job growth has resumed in most states in the last two and a half years of the recovery; forty-five states and the District of Columbia experienced net job gains from July 2010 to December 2012. Five states – Louisiana, New York, Oklahoma, South Dakota, and Texas – and the District of Columbia have recovered all the jobs that were lost during the recession.

# Net Job Loss from Recession's Onset and December 2012 Unemployment Rate

Unemployment rate above national rate;  
Job losses larger than US total

Unemployment rate below national rate;  
Job losses smaller than US total

United States:  
7.8% Unemployment;  
Job losses totaling 2.9%



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Current Unemployment Rate

Prepared by the Democratic Staff of the Joint Economic Committee

**Post-9/11 and Total Veterans' Unemployment Rates by State  
2011 Annual Averages**

	<b>Number of Veterans in the Labor Force</b>	<b>Overall Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b>	<b>Number of Post-9/11 Veterans in the Labor Force</b>	<b>Number of Unemployed Post-9/11 Veterans</b>	<b>Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b>
United States	11,320,000	8.3%	1,937,000	234,000	12.1%
Alabama	180,000	6.0%	35,000	4,000	11.0%
Alaska	50,000	6.1%	14,000	-	2.9%
Arizona	280,000	7.5%	61,000	5,000	7.6%
Arkansas	99,000	8.5%	25,000	1,000	4.3%
California	980,000	11.0%	160,000	32,000	20.0%
Colorado	226,000	9.5%	39,000	4,000	10.2%
Connecticut	111,000	9.4%	14,000	1,000	8.7%
Delaware	38,000	7.6%	6,000	-	4.3%
District of Columbia	14,000	10.1%	3,000	-	12.4%
Florida	741,000	9.3%	164,000	21,000	12.5%
Georgia	439,000	9.0%	80,000	11,000	14.2%
Hawaii	54,000	8.3%	12,000	1,000	8.5%
Idaho	59,000	7.9%	8,000	1,000	6.4%
Illinois	410,000	8.1%	64,000	6,000	9.5%
Indiana	272,000	7.6%	39,000	6,000	15.7%
Iowa	127,000	6.4%	19,000	2,000	11.8%
Kansas	134,000	6.1%	29,000	3,000	11.5%
Kentucky	160,000	9.5%	25,000	2,000	7.6%
Louisiana	145,000	4.2%	33,000	3,000	10.3%
Maine	68,000	7.5%	9,000	1,000	8.7%
Maryland	238,000	5.9%	48,000	4,000	8.9%
Massachusetts	193,000	9.5%	22,000	2,000	7.0%
Michigan	271,000	11.3%	40,000	6,000	14.4%
Minnesota	199,000	5.9%	25,000	3,000	11.7%
Mississippi	95,000	9.7%	18,000	2,000	10.5%
Missouri	258,000	7.2%	34,000	3,000	9.2%
Montana	48,000	7.8%	6,000	1,000	17.5%
Nebraska	81,000	3.9%	14,000	2,000	11.0%
Nevada	109,000	13.2%	17,000	3,000	18.9%
New Hampshire	66,000	4.3%	7,000	1,000	8.9%
New Jersey	209,000	10.7%	26,000	2,000	7.2%
New Mexico	87,000	8.0%	18,000	2,000	8.9%
New York	479,000	7.7%	66,000	11,000	16.7%
North Carolina	433,000	7.1%	95,000	8,000	8.9%
North Dakota	32,000	2.0%	6,000	-	2.7%
Ohio	438,000	10.7%	50,000	10,000	19.4%
Oklahoma	168,000	5.3%	35,000	3,000	8.9%
Oregon	158,000	11.5%	13,000	3,000	24.1%
Pennsylvania	487,000	7.3%	54,000	5,000	9.0%
Rhode Island	35,000	14.6%	6,000	1,000	16.8%
South Carolina	185,000	7.3%	24,000	3,000	13.2%
South Dakota	45,000	4.1%	7,000	-	6.6%
Tennessee	283,000	10.9%	47,000	8,000	17.9%
Texas	922,000	7.2%	166,000	22,000	13.5%
Utah	83,000	8.1%	16,000	2,000	12.6%
Vermont	27,000	4.7%	3,000	-	8.3%
Virginia	430,000	5.4%	117,000	7,000	6.2%
Washington	339,000	10.0%	69,000	10,000	13.9%
West Virginia	76,000	7.7%	16,000	1,000	8.9%
Wisconsin	223,000	8.9%	27,000	3,000	9.7%
Wyoming	35,000	4.6%	7,000	-	4.3%

"-" indicates number rounds to 0.

Note: These estimates are reported without margins of error, which may be large due to the small veterans' population in many states and make it difficult to compare unemployment rates across states and over time.

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Note: Most of the data used to create each state-by-state snapshot were accessed through Haver Analytics. This report includes data available as of January 18, 2013.