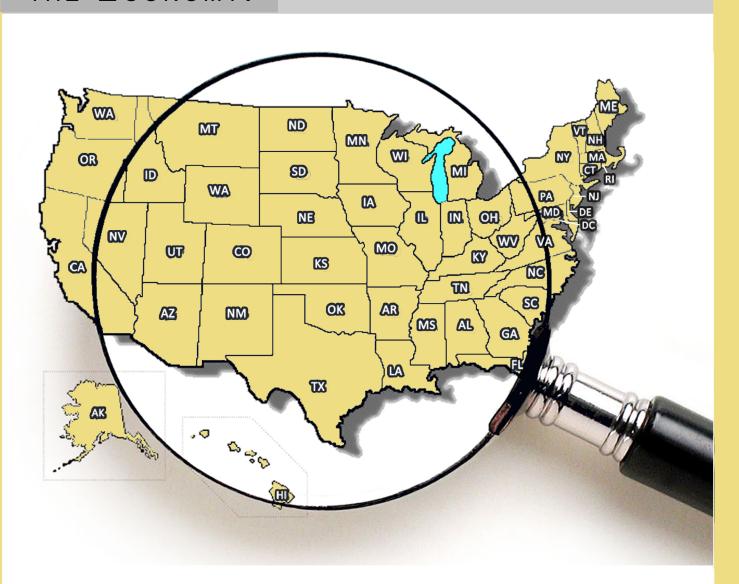
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## **Understanding the Economy: State-by-State Snapshots**

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## **Executive Summary**

This is the 20<sup>th</sup> edition of state-by-state snapshots issued by the Joint Economic Committee during the 112<sup>th</sup> Congress and includes state-level data through July 2012.

This month's report shows that two-thirds of states gained private-sector jobs in July. Nationally, private-sector job gains exceeded 150,000 for the first time since February. Retail sales increased in July by 0.8 percent. Manufacturing activity, as measured by the ISM Manufacturing Index, contracted in both June and July.

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:

- Thirty-three states and the District of Columbia added private-sector jobs in June. California (24,000) had the largest private-sector gains, followed by Virginia (20,900) and Ohio (16,300). In the past 12 months, 44 states and the District of Columbia gained private-sector jobs, with California (324,400), Texas (258,500) and New York (122,600) recording the largest gains. Only Alaska, Missouri, Mississippi, New Hampshire, Rhode Island and Wisconsin lost private-sector positions over the past 12 months. From July 2011 July 2012, North Dakota (8.6 percent), Texas (3.0 percent) and California (2.8 percent) had the largest percentage gains in private-sector employment. During this period, more than 1.9 million private-sector positions were added nationally.
- Eighteen states had statistically significant increases in the unemployment rate during July while the other 32 states and the District of Columbia didn't experience a statistically significant change. Alabama and Alaska had the largest increases, 0.5 percentage point each. In the past 12 months, 17 states and the District of Columbia reported statistically significant decreases in the unemployment rate, with Florida, Mississippi and Nevada all recording declines of -1.8 percentage points. Nevada (12.0 percent) had the highest unemployment rate in July, followed by Rhode Island (10.8 percent) and California (10.7 percent). North Dakota had the lowest unemployment rate (3.0 percent). The national unemployment rate during the month was 8.3 percent, down from 9.1 percent a year earlier.

- Manufacturing employment expanded in 27 states in July, with Michigan accounting for nearly 40 percent of the gains. Michigan added 9,100 manufacturing jobs, Texas gained 4,200 and North Carolina saw a gain of 3,400 manufacturing positions. In the past 12 months, 31 states added manufacturing positions, with the gains being concentrated in the Midwest. Illinois (22,400), Indiana (22,100) and Ohio (20,900) recorded the largest gains in the past year.
- Twenty-eight states added jobs in the professional and business services sector in July. California (15,200), Texas (8,500) and Florida (4,500) posted the largest increases. In the past year, 41 states and the District of Columbia have added professional and business services jobs, with California, New York and Texas recording the largest gains. In the last year, nearly 600,000 jobs were added in the professional and business services sector, accounting for more than 30 percent of all private-sector jobs added during this period.
- Twenty-three states and the District of Columbia added jobs in the leisure and hospitality sector during July. California (6,400), North Carolina (5,900) and Virginia (4,400) saw the largest gains. In the past 12 months, 42 states and the District of Columbia added leisure and hospitality jobs. During this period, leisure and hospitality employment increased by 293,000 positions.

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## **Economic Overview And Outlook: Alabama**

#### Jobs

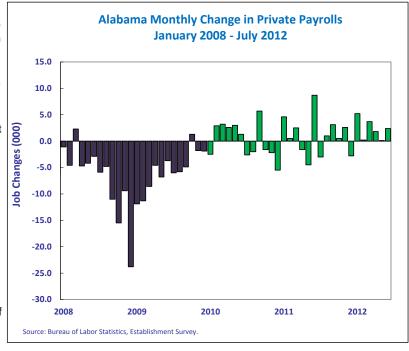
- Including July, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 29 consecutive months.
- In Alabama, private sector employment fell by 9.5 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 2.0 percent.
- In Alabama, employees in the construction, 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; 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 Alabama was 8.3 percent in July 2012, up 4.6 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 10.6 percent in December 2009.
- 180,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Alabama during July 2012.
- In Alabama, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 24,381 during July, up 7.6 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 51,448 in December 2008, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 52.6 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 1st quarter of 2012, total personal income is 0.7 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.



Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Alabama was \$30,436.70 in the 1st quarter of 2012, up from \$29,696.20 in the 1st quarter of 2010.

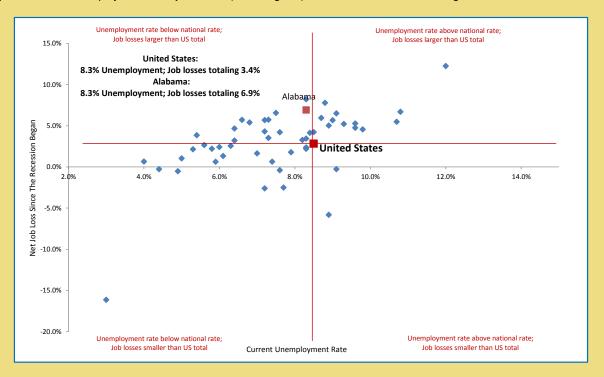
- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 16.8 percent over 17 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2011 and the first quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 0.2 percent.
- In Alabama, home prices fell by 8.8 percent over 9 quarters from their peak in the first quarter of 2009. Since the second quarter of 2011, home prices in Alabama have risen by 0.7 percent.
- As of the 2nd quarter of 2012, 2.1 percent of all mortgages, including 5.9 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Alabama.
- Housing starts in Alabama totaled 10,910 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in June 2012, a decrease of 4.0 percent from May.
- Within the South census region, which includes Alabama, sales of new single-family homes totaled 181,000 units in June 2012, a decrease of 8.6 percent from May. Sales of existing single-family homes decreased 4.4 percent to 1,520,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from May to June 2012.

<sup>\*</sup> 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.



St	ATE QUICK F.	ACTS	
		Alabama	United States
Unemployment Rates	. July 2009	10.4%	9.5%
	July 2010	9.0%	9.5%
	July 2011	9.2%	9.1%
	July 2012	8.3%	8.3%
Percent of Population Who Are Veterans	. 2011	10.3%	9.4%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	6.0%	8.3%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	11.0%	12.1%
Median Household Income	2007	\$ 44,388	\$ 52,823
(2010 \$)	2010	\$ 40,976	\$ 49,445
Poverty Rate	. 2007	14.5%	12.5%
	2010	17.3%	15.1%
No Health Insurance	2007	12.0%	15.3%
	2010	15.4%	16.3%

## **Economic Overview And Outlook: Alaska**

## **JOBS**

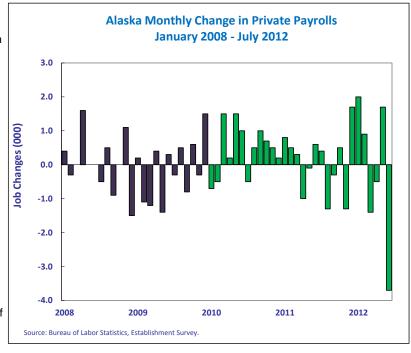
- Including July, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 29 consecutive months.
- In Alaska, private sector employment fell by 0.8 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 2.5 percent.
- In Alaska, employees in the construction, 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 7.7 percent in July 2012, up 1.5 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 8.2 percent in January 2010.
- 28,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Alaska during July 2012.
- In Alaska, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 6,156 during July, up 1.6 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 9,245 in April 2010, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 33.4 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 1st quarter of 2012, total personal income is 0.7 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.



Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Alaska was \$40,252.50 in the 1st quarter of 2012, up from \$39,697.60 in the 1st quarter of 2010.

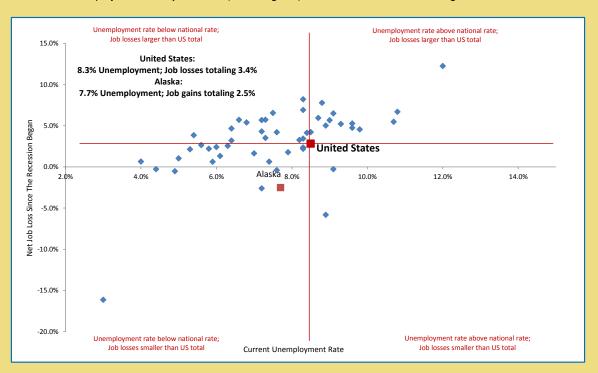
- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 16.8 percent over 17 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2011 and the first quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 0.2 percent.
- In Alaska, home prices fell by 3.0 percent over 11 quarters 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 2nd quarter of 2012, 1.2 percent of all mortgages, including 3.4 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Alaska.
- Housing starts in Alaska totaled 1,970 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in June 2012, an increase of 101.0 percent from May.
- Within the West census region, which includes Alaska, sales of new single-family homes totaled 98,000 units in June 2012, an increase of 2.1 percent from May. Sales of existing single-family homes decreased 5.8 percent to 970,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from May to June 2012.

<sup>\*</sup> 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.



STATE QUICK FACTS			
		Alaska	United States
Unemployment Rates	. July 2009	7.9%	9.5%
	July 2010	7.8%	9.5%
	July 2011	7.6%	9.1%
	July 2012	7.7%	8.3%
Percent of Population Who Are Veterans	. 2011	14.8%	9.4%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	6.1%	8.3%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	2.9%	12.1%
Median Household Income	2007	\$ 66,241	\$ 52,823
(2010 \$)	2010	\$ 58,198	\$ 49,445
Poverty Rate	. 2007	7.6%	12.5%
	2010	12.4%	15.1%
No Health Insurance	2007	18.2%	15.3%
	2010	18.0%	16.3%

## **Economic Overview And Outlook: Arizona**

#### Jobs

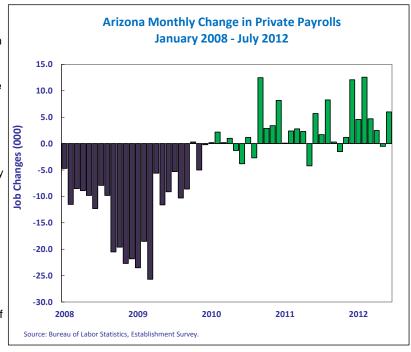
- Including July, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 29 consecutive months.
- In Arizona, private sector employment fell by 12.5 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 4.3 percent.
- In Arizona, employees in the construction, 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 8.3 percent in July 2012, up 4.2 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 10.8 percent in March 2010.
- 249,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Arizona during July 2012.
- In Arizona, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 24,060 during July, up 15.9 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 42,095 in February 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 42.8 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 1st quarter of 2012, total personal income is 0.7 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.



Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Arizona was \$31,515.20 in the 1st quarter of 2012, up from \$30,757.60 in the 1st quarter of 2010.

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 16.8 percent over 17 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2011 and the first quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 0.2 percent.
- In Arizona, home prices fell by 45.0 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 2.4 percent.
- As of the 2nd quarter of 2012, 3.2 percent of all mortgages, including 8.6 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Arizona.
- Housing starts in Arizona totaled 20,320 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in June 2012, an increase of 12.5 percent from May.
- Within the West census region, which includes Arizona, sales of new single-family homes totaled 98,000 units in June 2012, an increase of 2.1 percent from May. Sales of existing single-family homes decreased 5.8 percent to 970,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from May to June 2012.

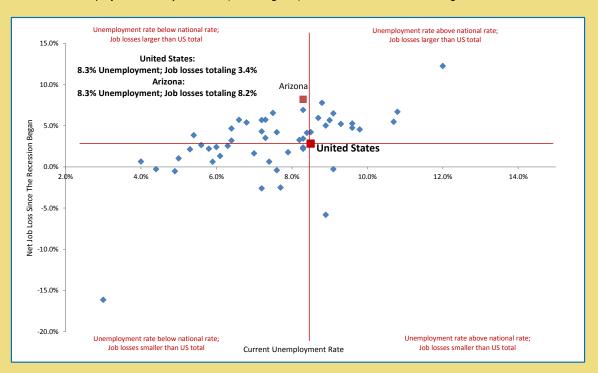
<sup>\*</sup> For Arizona-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the Arizona office: http://www.workforce.az.gov/

## How Does Arizona 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 Arizona 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 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 have unemployment rates job losses (or even gains) lower than the national average.



#### STATE QUICK FACTS **United States** Arizona 10.3% 9.5% 10.5% July 2010 9.5% July 2011 9 1% 9.6% July 2012 8.3% 8.3% Percent of Population Who Are Veterans ........... 2011 11.4% 9.4% All Veterans' Unemployment Rate ..... 2011 7.5% 8.3% Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate...... 7.6% 12.1% 2011 \$ 49.649 \$ 52.823 Median Household Income ......2007 (2010 \$)2010 \$ 47,279 \$ 49,445 14.3% 12.5% 15.1% 18.6% No Health Insurance ......2007 18.3% 15.3% 19.1% 16.3%

## **Economic Overview And Outlook: Arkansas**

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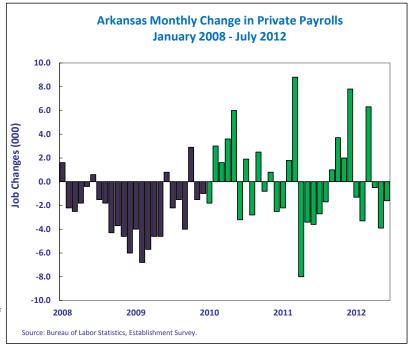
- Including July, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 29 consecutive months.
- In Arkansas, private sector employment fell by 6.1 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 1.0 percent.
- In Arkansas, employees in the manufacturing, 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; 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 Arkansas was 7.3 percent in July 2012, up 2.2 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 8.2 percent in July 2011.
- 101,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Arkansas during July 2012.
- In Arkansas, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 17,850 during July, up 2.3 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 37,251 in February 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 52.1 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 1st quarter of 2012, total personal income is 0.7 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.



Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Arkansas was \$29,797.40 in the 1st quarter of 2012, up from \$29,079.60 in the 1st quarter of 2010.

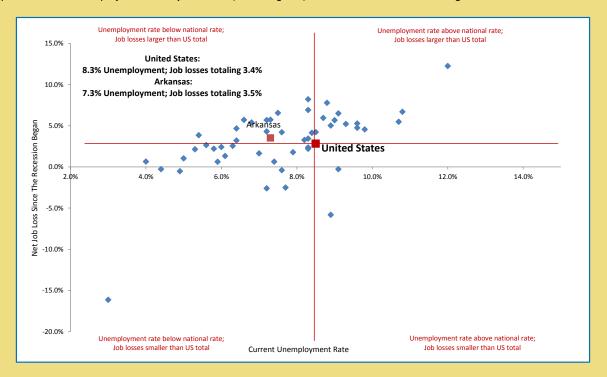
- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 16.8 percent over 17 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2011 and the first quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 0.2 percent.
- In Arkansas, home prices fell by 5.7 percent over 9 quarters from their peak in the first quarter of 2009. Since the second quarter of 2011, home prices in Arkansas have risen by 0.5 percent.
- As of the 2nd 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 5,890 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in June 2012, an increase of 1.0 percent from May.
- Within the South census region, which includes Arkansas, sales of new single-family homes totaled 181,000 units in June 2012, a decrease of 8.6 percent from May. Sales of existing single-family homes decreased 4.4 percent to 1,520,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from May to June 2012.

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

## How Does Arkansas 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 Arkansas 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 Arkansas since the start of the recession (shown along the vertical axis) measures the toll the recession took on the job supply in Arkansas.



ST	ATE QUICK F	ACTS	
		Arkansas	United States
Unemployment Rates	. July 2009	7.6%	9.5%
	July 2010	7.9%	9.5%
	July 2011	8.2%	9.1%
	July 2012	7.3%	8.3%
Percent of Population Who Are Veterans	. 2011	10.5%	9.4%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	8.5%	8.3%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	4.3%	12.1%
Median Household Income	. 2007	\$ 42,898	\$ 52,823
(2010 \$)	2010	\$ 38,571	\$ 49,445
Poverty Rate	2007	13.8%	12.5%
	2010	15.5%	15.1%
No Health Insurance	. 2007	16.1%	15.3%
	2010	18.7%	16.3%

## **Economic Overview And Outlook: California**

#### **JOBS**

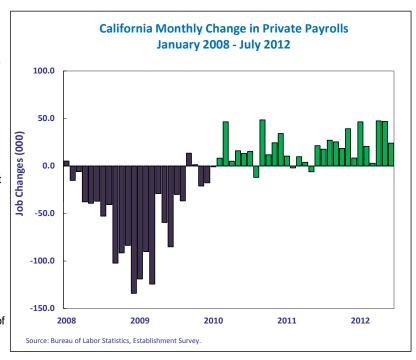
- Including July, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 29 consecutive months.
- In California, private sector employment fell by 9.8 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 5.0 percent.
- In California, employees in the construction, 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 10.7 percent in July 2012, up 4.9 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 12.4 percent in October 2010.
- 1,962,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in California during July 2012.
- In California, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 242,580 during July, down 11.1 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 344,438 in January 2010, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 29.6 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 1st quarter of 2012, total personal income is 0.7 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.



Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in California was \$38,890.80 in the 1st quarter of 2012, up from \$37,752.70 in the 1st quarter of 2010.

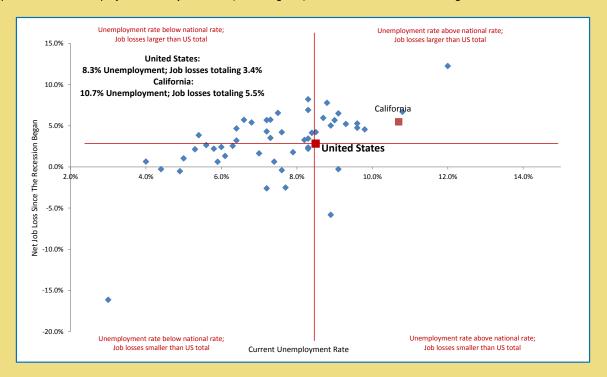
- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 16.8 percent over 17 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2011 and the first quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 0.2 percent.
- In California, home prices have fallen by 38.2 percent over 22 quarters from their peak in the third quarter of 2006.
- As of the 2nd quarter of 2012, 3.1 percent of all mortgages, including 9.6 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in California.
- Housing starts in California totaled 72,810 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in June 2012, an increase of 37.4 percent from May.
- Within the West census region, which includes California, sales of new single-family homes totaled 98,000 units in June 2012, an increase of 2.1 percent from May. Sales of existing single-family homes decreased 5.8 percent to 970,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from May to June 2012.

<sup>\*</sup> For California-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the California office: http://www.labormarketinfo.edd.ca.gov/

## How Does California 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 California 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 California since the start of the recession (shown along the vertical axis) measures the toll the recession took on the job supply in California.



ST	ATE QUICK F	ACTS	
		California	United States
Unemployment Rates	. July 2009	11.7%	9.5%
	July 2010	12.4%	9.5%
	July 2011	11.9%	9.1%
	July 2012	10.7%	8.3%
Percent of Population Who Are Veterans	. 2011	6.9%	9.4%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	11.0%	8.3%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	20.0%	12.1%
Median Household Income	. 2007	\$ 58,608	\$ 52,823
(2010 \$)	2010	\$ 54,459	\$ 49,445
Poverty Rate	. 2007	12.7%	12.5%
	2010	16.3%	15.1%
No Health Insurance	2007	18.2%	15.3%
	2010	19.4%	16.3%

## **Economic Overview And Outlook: Colorado**

#### **JOBS**

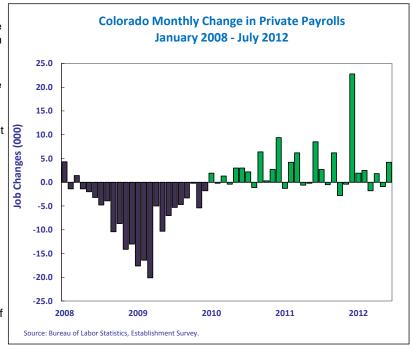
- Including July, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 29 consecutive months.
- In Colorado, private sector employment fell by 7.7 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 4.3 percent.
- In Colorado, employees in the construction, 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; 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 Colorado was 8.3 percent in July 2012, up 4.2 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 9.0 percent in November 2010.
- 227,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Colorado during July 2012.
- In Colorado, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 15,467 during July, up 2.4 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 25,007 in March 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 38.1 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 1st quarter of 2012, total personal income is 0.7 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.



Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Colorado was \$38,676.00 in the 1st quarter of 2012, up from \$37,657.50 in the 1st quarter of 2010.

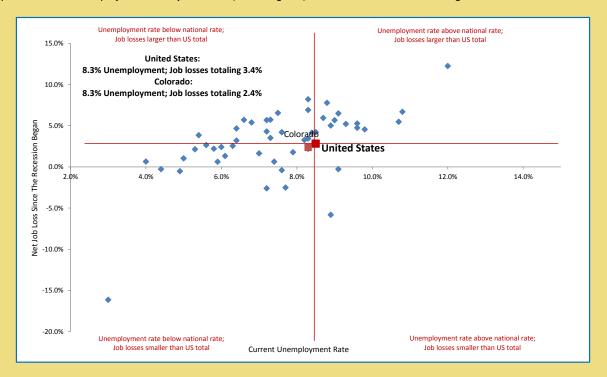
- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 16.8 percent over 17 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2011 and the first quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 0.2 percent.
- In Colorado, home prices fell by 8.6 percent over 13 quarters from their peak in the first quarter of 2008. Since the second quarter of 2011, home prices in Colorado have risen by 1.3 percent.
- As of the 2nd quarter of 2012, 1.9 percent of all mortgages, including 6.2 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Colorado.
- Housing starts in Colorado totaled 27,440 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in June 2012, an increase of 54.4 percent from May.
- Within the West census region, which includes Colorado, sales of new single-family homes totaled 98,000 units in June 2012, an increase of 2.1 percent from May. Sales of existing single-family homes decreased 5.8 percent to 970,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from May to June 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 have unemployment rates job losses (or even gains) lower than the national average.



ST	ATE QUICK FA	ACTS	
		Colorado	United States
Unemployment Rates	. July 2009	8.5%	9.5%
	July 2010	8.9%	9.5%
	July 2011	8.3%	9.1%
	July 2012	8.3%	8.3%
Percent of Population Who Are Veterans	. 2011	10.2%	9.4%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	9.5%	8.3%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	10.2%	12.1%
Median Household Income	2007	\$ 64,293	\$ 52,823
(2010 \$)	2010	\$ 60,442	\$ 49,445
Poverty Rate	. 2007	9.8%	12.5%
	2010	12.2%	15.1%
No Health Insurance	2007	16.4%	15.3%
	2010	13.0%	16.3%

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## **Economic Overview And Outlook: Connecticut**

#### **JOBS**

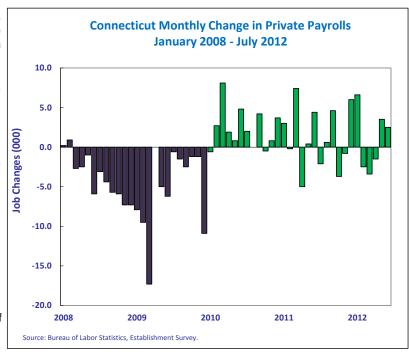
- Including July, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 29 consecutive months.
- In Connecticut, private sector employment fell by 7.5 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 3.6 percent.
- In Connecticut, employees in the construction, 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 8.5 percent in July 2012, up 3.6 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 9.4 percent in December 2010.
- 163,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Connecticut during July 2012.
- In Connecticut, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 20,367 during July, down 14.1 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 38,259 in November 2011, 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 1st quarter of 2012, total personal income is 0.7 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.



Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Connecticut was \$49,615.40 in the 1st quarter of 2012, up from \$48,034.20 in the 1st quarter of 2010.

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 16.8 percent over 17 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2011 and the first quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 0.2 percent.
- In Connecticut, home prices have fallen by 16.1 percent over 20 quarters from their peak in the first quarter of 2007.
- As of the 2nd quarter of 2012, 5.4 percent of all mortgages, including 18.5 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Connecticut.
- Housing starts in Connecticut totaled 6,910 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in June 2012, an increase of 122.9 percent from May.
- Within the Northeast census region, which includes Connecticut, sales of new single-family homes totaled 16,000 units in June 2012, a decrease of 60.0 percent from May. Sales of existing single-family homes decreased 11.8 percent to 450,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from May to June 2012.

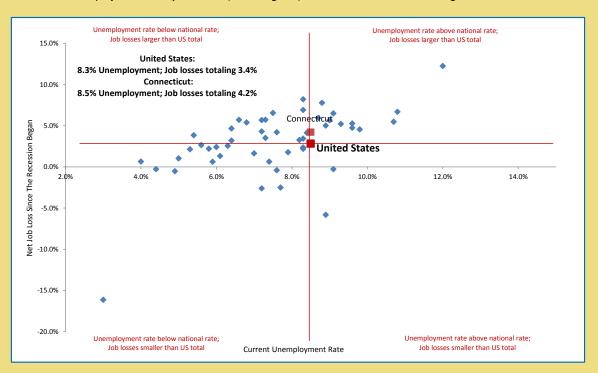
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## How Does Connecticut Compare To Other States?

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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 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 have unemployment rates job losses (or even gains) lower than the national average.



## STATE QUICK FACTS

		Co	nnecticut	United States
Unemployment Rates	July 2009		8.4%	9.5%
	July 2010		9.3%	9.5%
	July 2011		8.9%	9.1%
	July 2012		8.5%	8.3%
Percent of Population Who Are Veterans	2011		8.0%	9.4%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011		9.4%	8.3%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011		8.7%	12.1%
Median Household Income	. 2007	\$	67,448	\$ 52,823
(2010 \$)	2010	\$	66,452	\$ 49,445
Poverty Rate	2007		8.9%	12.5%
	2010		8.3%	15.1%
No Health Insurance	. 2007		9.4%	15.3%
	2010		11.0%	16.3%

## **Economic Overview And Outlook: Delaware**

#### **JOBS**

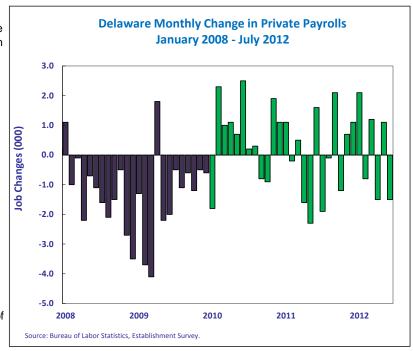
- Including July, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 29 consecutive months.
- In Delaware, private sector employment fell by 8.9 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 2.8 percent.
- In Delaware, employees in the natural 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: leisure and hospitality; education and health 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 Delaware was 6.8 percent in July 2012, up 3.0 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 8.5 percent in January 2010.
- 30,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Delaware during July 2012.
- In Delaware, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 4,484 during July, down 2.0 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 7,929 in February 2007, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 43.4 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 1st quarter of 2012, total personal income is 0.7 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.



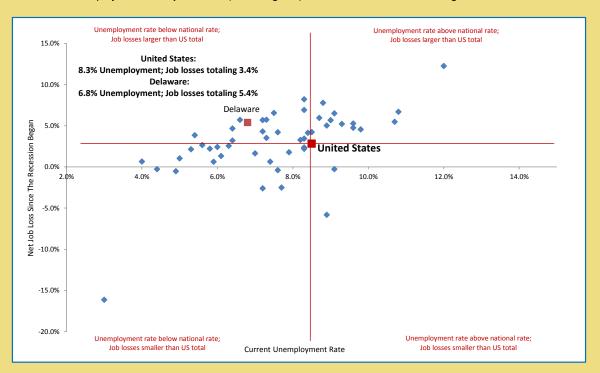
Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Delaware was \$36,585.50 in the 1st quarter of 2012, up from \$35,500.50 in the 1st quarter of 2010.

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 16.8 percent over 17 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2011 and the first quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 0.2 percent.
- In Delaware, home prices fell by 18.0 percent over 17 quarters from their peak in the second quarter of 2007. Since the third quarter of 2011, home prices in Delaware have risen by 0.3 percent.
- As of the 2nd quarter of 2012, 3.4 percent of all mortgages, including 12.1 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Delaware.
- Housing starts in Delaware totaled 4,350 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in June 2012, an increase of 46.5 percent from May.
- Within the South census region, which includes Delaware, sales of new single-family homes totaled 181,000 units in June 2012, a decrease of 8.6 percent from May. Sales of existing single-family homes decreased 4.4 percent to 1,520,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from May to June 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.



ST	ATE QUICK F	ACTS	
		Delaware	United States
Unemployment Rates	. July 2009	8.0%	9.5%
	July 2010	7.9%	9.5%
	July 2011	7.4%	9.1%
	July 2012	6.8%	8.3%
Percent of Population Who Are Veterans	. 2011	11.0%	9.4%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	7.6%	8.3%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	4.3%	12.1%
Median Household Income	. 2007	\$ 57,404	\$ 52,823
(2010 \$)	2010	\$ 55,269	\$ 49,445
Poverty Rate	2007	9.3%	12.5%
	2010	12.1%	15.1%
No Health Insurance	. 2007	11.2%	15.3%
	2010	11.3%	16.3%

## **Economic Overview And Outlook: The District Of Columbia**

#### Jobs

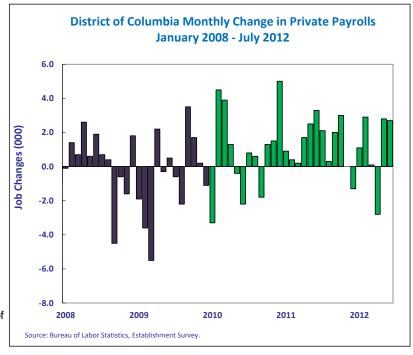
- Including July, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 29 consecutive months.
- In the District of Columbia, private sector employment fell by 1.5 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 7.9 percent.
- In the District of Columbia, 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 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 the District of Columbia was 8.9 percent in July 2012, up 3.3 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 10.5 percent in August 2011.
- 32,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in District of Columbia during July 2012.
- In the District of Columbia, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 1,635 during July, down 20.0 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 2,573 in February 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 36.5 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 1st quarter of 2012, total personal income is 0.7 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.



Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in the District of Columbia was \$63,993.20 in the 1st quarter of 2012, up from \$62,827.40 in the 1st quarter of 2010.

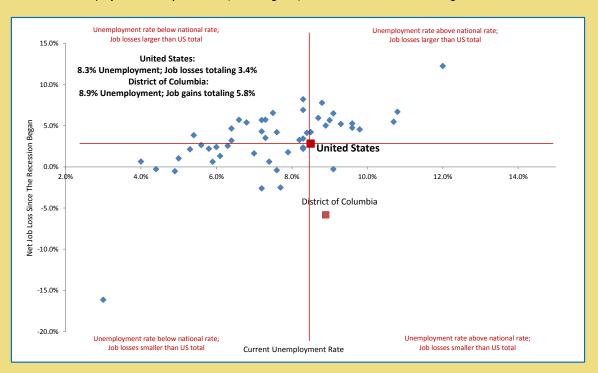
- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 16.8 percent over 17 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2011 and the first quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 0.2 percent.
- In District of Columbia, home prices fell by 11.0 percent 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 4.4 percent.
- As of the 2nd quarter of 2012, 2.9 percent of all mortgages, including 11.4 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in the District of Columbia.
- Housing starts in the District of Columbia totaled 3,580 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in June 2012, a decrease of 40.4 percent from May.
- Within the South census region, which includes the District of Columbia, sales of new single-family homes totaled 181,000 units in June 2012, a decrease of 8.6 percent from May. Sales of existing single-family homes decreased 4.4 percent to 1,520,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from May to June 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 have unemployment rates job losses (or even gains) lower than the national average.



## **DISTRICT QUICK FACTS**

		District of Columbia	United States
Unemployment Rates	July 2009	9.9%	9.5%
	July 2010	10.0%	9.5%
	July 2011	10.5%	9.1%
	July 2012	8.9%	8.3%
Percent of Population Who Are Veterans	2011	5.9%	9.4%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	10.1%	8.3%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	12.4%	12.1%
Median Household Income	2007	\$ 53,401	\$ 52,823
(2010 \$)	2010	\$ 55,528	\$ 49,445
Poverty Rate	2007	18.0%	12.5%
	2010	19.9%	15.1%
No Health Insurance	2007	9.5%	15.3%
	2010	12.5%	16.3%

## **Economic Overview And Outlook: Florida**

#### Jobs

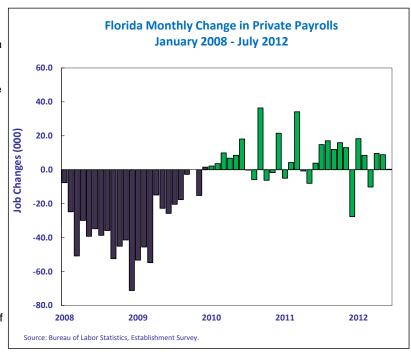
- Including July, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 29 consecutive months.
- In Florida, private sector employment fell by 10.9 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 3.3 percent.
- In Florida, employees in the construction, 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 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 Florida was 8.8 percent in July 2012, up 4.1 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 11.4 percent in February 2010.
- 816,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Florida during July 2012.
- In Florida, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 63,157 during July, down 6.9 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 121,442 in January 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 48.0 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 1st quarter of 2012, total personal income is 0.7 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.



Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Florida was \$34,447.10 in the 1st quarter of 2012, up from \$33,984.40 in the 1st quarter of 2010.

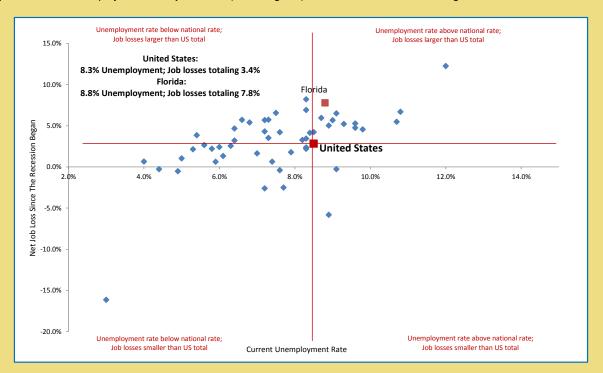
- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 16.8 percent over 17 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2011 and the first quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 0.2 percent.
- In Florida, home prices have fallen by 42.5 percent over 21 quarters from their peak in the fourth quarter of 2006.
- As of the 2nd quarter of 2012, 13.7 percent of all mortgages, including 31.0 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Florida.
- Housing starts in Florida totaled 53,990 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in June 2012, an increase of 4.2 percent from May.
- Within the South census region, which includes Florida, sales of new single-family homes totaled 181,000 units in June 2012, a decrease of 8.6 percent from May. Sales of existing single-family homes decreased 4.4 percent to 1,520,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from May to June 2012.

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

## How Does Florida 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 Florida 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 Florida since the start of the recession (shown along the vertical axis) measures the toll the recession took on the job supply in Florida.



ST	ATE QUICK F	ACTS	
		Florida	United States
Unemployment Rates	. July 2009	10.7%	9.5%
	July 2010	11.2%	9.5%
	July 2011	10.6%	9.1%
	July 2012	8.8%	8.3%
Percent of Population Who Are Veterans	. 2011	10.9%	9.4%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	9.3%	8.3%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	12.5%	12.1%
Median Household Income	. 2007	\$ 48,155	\$ 52,823
(2010 \$)	2010	\$ 44,243	\$ 49,445
Poverty Rate	2007	12.5%	12.5%
	2010	16.0%	15.1%
No Health Insurance	. 2007	20.2%	15.3%
	2010	20.8%	16.3%

## **Economic Overview And Outlook: Georgia**

#### **JOBS**

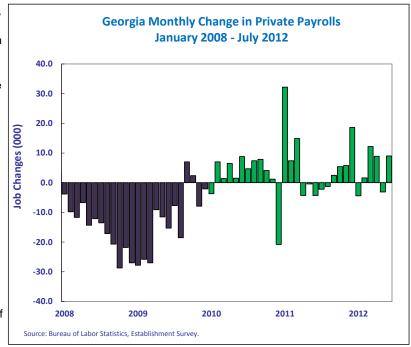
- Including July, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 29 consecutive months.
- In Georgia, private sector employment fell by 9.6 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 4.1 percent.
- In Georgia, employees in the construction, 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 9.3 percent in July 2012, up 4.2 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 10.5 percent in January 2010.
- 442,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Georgia during July 2012.
- In Georgia, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 52,530 during July, down 5.2 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 103,264 in March 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 49.1 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 1st quarter of 2012, total personal income is 0.7 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.



Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Georgia was \$31,398.80 in the 1st quarter of 2012, up from \$30,938.10 in the 1st quarter of 2010.

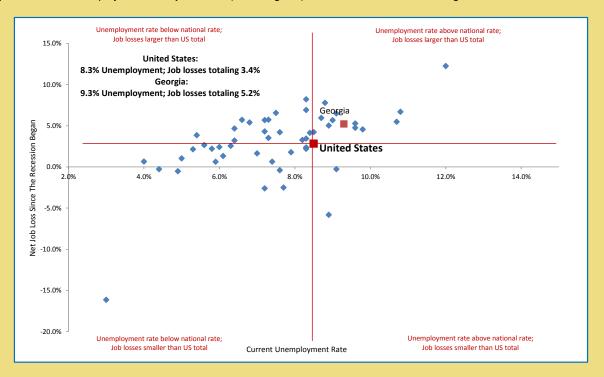
- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 16.8 percent over 17 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2011 and the first quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 0.2 percent.
- In Georgia, home prices have fallen by 21.4 percent over 16 quarters from their peak in the first quarter of 2008.
- As of the 2nd quarter of 2012, 3.0 percent of all mortgages, including 7.6 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Georgia.
- Housing starts in Georgia totaled 23,440 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in June 2012, an increase of 38.8 percent from May.
- Within the South census region, which includes Georgia, sales of new single-family homes totaled 181,000 units in June 2012, a decrease of 8.6 percent from May. Sales of existing single-family homes decreased 4.4 percent to 1,520,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from May to June 2012.

<sup>\*</sup> 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.



ST	ATE QUICK F	ACTS	
		Georgia	United States
Unemployment Rates	. July 2009	10.1%	9.5%
	July 2010	10.1%	9.5%
	July 2011	10.0%	9.1%
	July 2012	9.3%	8.3%
Percent of Population Who Are Veterans	. 2011	10.1%	9.4%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	9.0%	8.3%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	14.2%	12.1%
Median Household Income	2007	\$ 51,149	\$ 52,823
(2010 \$)	2010	\$ 44,108	\$ 49,445
Poverty Rate	. 2007	13.6%	12.5%
	2010	18.7%	15.1%
No Health Insurance	2007	17.5%	15.3%
	2010	19.4%	16.3%

## **Economic Overview And Outlook: Hawaii**

#### Jobs

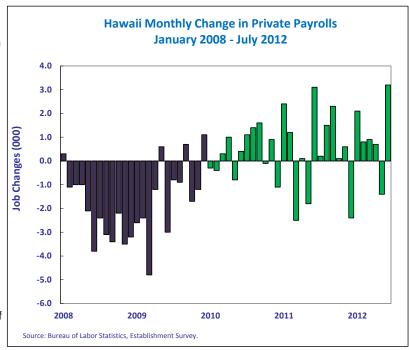
- Including July, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 29 consecutive months.
- In Hawaii, private sector employment fell by 8.5 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 3.3 percent.
- In Hawaii, employees in the natural resources, 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; 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 Hawaii was 6.4 percent in July 2012, up 3.4 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 7.1 percent in December 2009.
- 41,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Hawaii during July 2012.
- In Hawaii, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 7,775 during July, up 0.5 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 11,570 in August 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 32.8 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 1st quarter of 2012, total personal income is 0.7 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.



Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Hawaii was \$38,066.20 in the 1st quarter of 2012, up from \$37,098.50 in the 1st quarter of 2010.

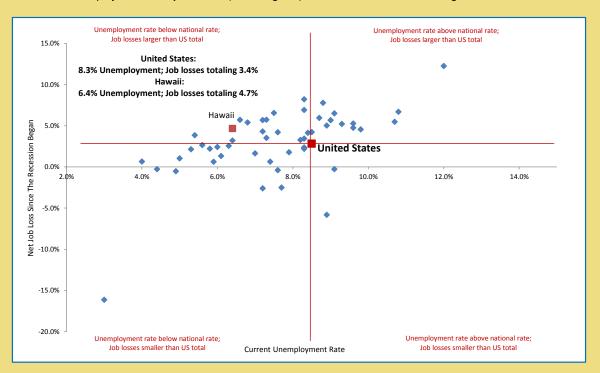
- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 16.8 percent over 17 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2011 and the first quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 0.2 percent.
- In Hawaii, home prices fell by 16.2 percent over 15 quarters from their peak in the second quarter of 2007. Since the first quarter of 2011, home prices in Hawaii have risen by 0.8 percent.
- As of the 2nd quarter of 2012, 4.7 percent of all mortgages, including 20.8 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Hawaii.
- Housing starts in Hawaii totaled 5,980 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in June 2012, an increase of 264.6 percent from May.
- Within the West census region, which includes Hawaii, sales of new single-family homes totaled 98,000 units in June 2012, an increase of 2.1 percent from May. Sales of existing single-family homes decreased 5.8 percent to 970,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from May to June 2012.

<sup>\*</sup> 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.



STATE QUICK FACTS				
		Hawaii	United States	
Unemployment Rates	. July 2009	7.1%	9.5%	
	July 2010	6.8%	9.5%	
	July 2011	6.8%	9.1%	
	July 2012	6.4%	8.3%	
Percent of Population Who Are Veterans	. 2011	11.0%	9.4%	
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	8.3%	8.3%	
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	8.5%	12.1%	
Median Household Income	. 2007	\$ 67,323	\$ 52,823	
(2010 \$)	2010	\$ 58,507	\$ 49,445	
Poverty Rate	2007	7.5%	12.5%	
	2010	12.1%	15.1%	
No Health Insurance	. 2007	7.5%	15.3%	
	2010	7.7%	16.3%	

## **Economic Overview And Outlook: Idaho**

#### Jobs

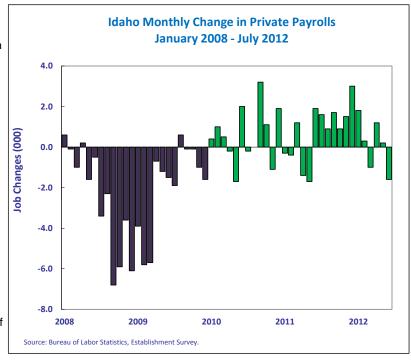
- Including July, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 29 consecutive months.
- In Idaho, private sector employment fell by 9.9 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 3.4 percent.
- In Idaho, employees in the mining, construction, 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; manufacturing; 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 Idaho was 7.5 percent in July 2012, up 4.1 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 8.9 percent in July 2011.
- 59,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Idaho during July 2012.
- In Idaho, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 10,318 during July, up 9.5 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 18,226 in September 2010, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 43.4 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 1st quarter of 2012, total personal income is 0.7 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.



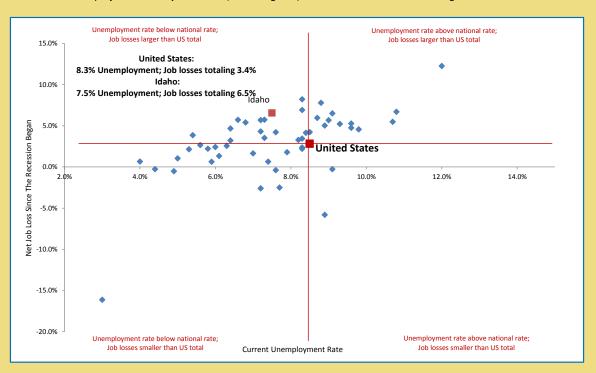
Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Idaho was \$29,263.50 in the 1st quarter of 2012, up from \$28,233.70 in the 1st quarter of 2010.

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 16.8 percent over 17 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2011 and the first quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 0.2 percent.
- In Idaho, home prices fell by 25.8 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 2.8 percent.
- As of the 2nd quarter of 2012, 2.9 percent of all mortgages, including 9.4 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Idaho.
- Housing starts in Idaho totaled 7,470 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in June 2012, an increase of 8.6 percent from May.
- Within the West census region, which includes Idaho, sales of new single-family homes totaled 98,000 units in June 2012, an increase of 2.1 percent from May. Sales of existing single-family homes decreased 5.8 percent to 970,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from May to June 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?

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 Idaho 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 Idaho since the start of the recession (shown along the vertical axis) measures the toll the recession took on the job supply in Idaho.



St	ATE QUICK F	ACTS	
		Idaho	United States
Unemployment Rates	July 2009	7.6%	9.5%
	July 2010	8.8%	9.5%
	July 2011	8.9%	9.1%
	July 2012	7.5%	8.3%
Percent of Population Who Are Veterans	. 2011	10.4%	9.4%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	7.9%	8.3%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	6.4%	12.1%
Median Household Income	2007	\$ 51,720	\$ 52,823
(2010 \$)	2010	\$ 47,014	\$ 49,445
Poverty Rate	. 2007	9.9%	12.5%
	2010	14.0%	15.1%
No Health Insurance	2007	13.9%	15.3%
	2010	19.2%	16.3%

## **Economic Overview And Outlook: Illinois**

#### Jobs

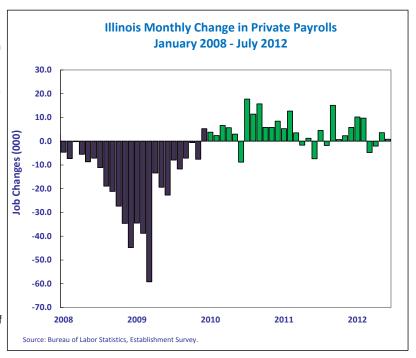
- Including July, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 29 consecutive months.
- In Illinois, private sector employment fell by 7.9 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 2.8 percent.
- In Illinois, employees in the construction, 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: mining; 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 Illinois was 8.9 percent in July 2012, up 3.4 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 11.4 percent in January 2010.
- 587,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Illinois during July 2012.
- In Illinois, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 60,366 during July, up 1.3 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 124,439 in March 2009, 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 1st quarter of 2012, total personal income is 0.7 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.



Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Illinois was \$38,702.40 in the 1st quarter of 2012, up from \$37,174.50 in the 1st quarter of 2010.

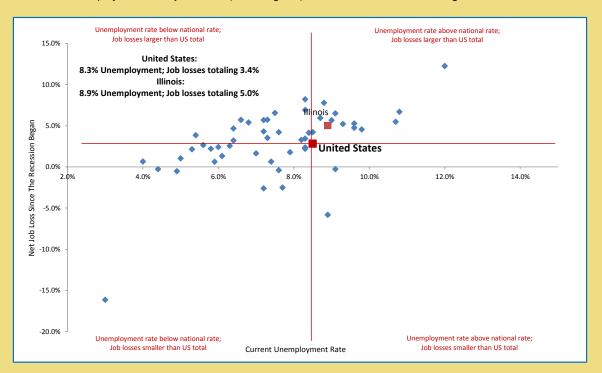
- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 16.8 percent over 17 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2011 and the first quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 0.2 percent.
- In Illinois, home prices have fallen by 17.5 percent over 20 quarters from their peak in the first quarter of 2007.
- As of the 2nd quarter of 2012, 7.1 percent of all mortgages, including 19.2 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Illinois.
- Housing starts in Illinois totaled 9,610 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in June 2012, a decrease of 6.9 percent from May.
- Within the Midwest census region, which includes Illinois, sales of new single-family homes totaled 55,000 units in June 2012, an increase of 14.6 percent from May. Sales of existing single-family homes decreased 2.0 percent to 960,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from May to June 2012.

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

## How Does Illinois 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 Illinois 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 Illinois since the start of the recession (shown along the vertical axis) measures the toll the recession took on the job supply in Illinois.



ST	ATE QUICK F	ACTS	
		Illinois	United States
Unemployment Rates	. July 2009	10.4%	9.5%
	July 2010	10.3%	9.5%
	July 2011	10.1%	9.1%
	July 2012	8.9%	8.3%
Percent of Population Who Are Veterans	. 2011	7.8%	9.4%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	8.1%	8.3%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	9.5%	12.1%
Median Household Income	2007	\$ 55,213	\$ 52,823
(2010 \$)	2010	\$ 50,761	\$ 49,445
Poverty Rate	. 2007	10.0%	12.5%
	2010	14.1%	15.1%
No Health Insurance	2007	13.4%	15.3%
	2010	14.8%	16.3%

## **Economic Overview And Outlook: Indiana**

#### **JOBS**

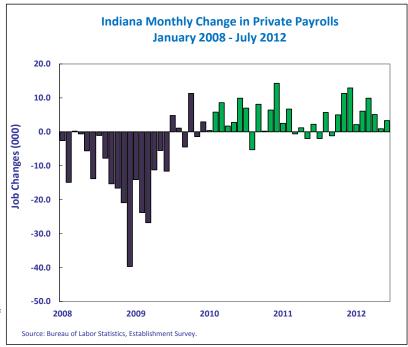
- Including July, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 29 consecutive months.
- In Indiana, private sector employment fell by 8.5 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 5.5 percent.
- In Indiana, employees in the manufacturing, 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: professional and business services; construction; 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 Indiana was 8.2 percent in July 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 July 2012.
- In Indiana, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 28,746 during July, down 2.4 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 90,339 in March 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 68.2 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 1st quarter of 2012, total personal income is 0.7 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.



Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Indiana was \$31,303.00 in the 1st quarter of 2012, up from \$30,160.60 in the 1st quarter of 2010.

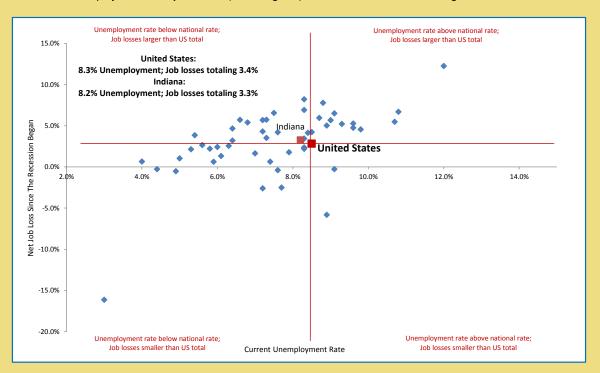
- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 16.8 percent over 17 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2011 and the first quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 0.2 percent.
- In Indiana, home prices fell by 6.2 percent over 13 quarters from their peak in the first quarter of 2008. Since the second quarter of 2011, home prices in Indiana have risen by 0.7 percent.
- As of the 2nd quarter of 2012, 4.6 percent of all mortgages, including 11.9 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Indiana.
- Housing starts in Indiana totaled 12,920 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in June 2012, an increase of 6.5 percent from May.
- Within the Midwest census region, which includes Indiana, sales of new single-family homes totaled 55,000 units in June 2012, an increase of 14.6 percent from May. Sales of existing single-family homes decreased 2.0 percent to 960,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from May to June 2012.

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

## How Does Indiana 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 Indiana 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 Indiana since the start of the recession (shown along the vertical axis) measures the toll the recession took on the job supply in Indiana.



STATE QUICK FACTS				
		Indiana	United States	
Unemployment Rates	. July 2009	10.8%	9.5%	
	July 2010	10.0%	9.5%	
	July 2011	9.2%	9.1%	
	July 2012	8.2%	8.3%	
Percent of Population Who Are Veterans	. 2011	10.5%	9.4%	
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	7.6%	8.3%	
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	15.7%	12.1%	
Median Household Income	2007	\$ 49,900	\$ 52,823	
(2010 \$)	2010	\$ 46,322	\$ 49,445	
Poverty Rate	. 2007	11.8%	12.5%	
	2010	16.3%	15.1%	
No Health Insurance	2007	11.4%	15.3%	
	2010	13.4%	16.3%	

## **Economic Overview And Outlook: Iowa**

#### Jobs

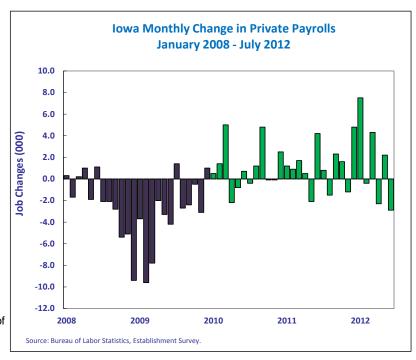
- Including July, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 29 consecutive months.
- In Iowa, private sector employment fell by 5.0 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 2.8 percent.
- In lowa, employees in the manufacturing, construction, 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 lowa 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 5.3 percent in July 2012, up 1.4 percentage point from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 6.3 percent in November 2010.
- 88,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Iowa during July 2012.
- In lowa, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 15,708 during July, up 17.2 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 40,467 in March 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 61.2 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 1st quarter of 2012, total personal income is 0.7 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.



Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Iowa was \$35,722.00 in the 1st quarter of 2012, up from \$33,601.70 in the 1st quarter of 2010.

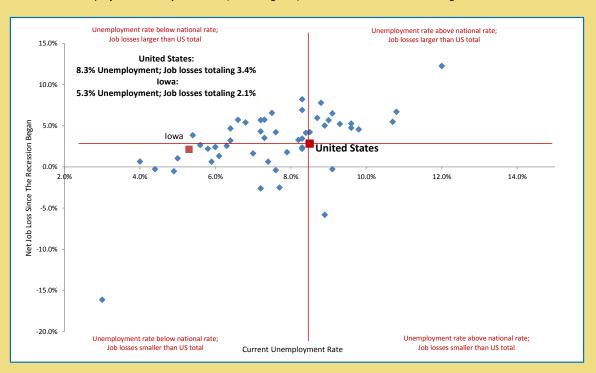
- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 16.8 percent over 17 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2011 and the first quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 0.2 percent.
- In lowa, home prices fell by 2.0 percent over 4 quarters from their peak in the first quarter of 2009. Since the first quarter of 2010, home prices in lowa have risen by 1.6 percent.
- As of the 2nd quarter of 2012, 2.7 percent of all mortgages, including 11.1 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Iowa.
- Housing starts in lowa totaled 7,560 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in June 2012, a decrease of 26.0 percent from May.
- Within the Midwest census region, which includes Iowa, sales of new single-family homes totaled 55,000 units in June 2012, an increase of 14.6 percent from May. Sales of existing single-family homes decreased 2.0 percent to 960,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from May to June 2012.

<sup>\*</sup> For lowa-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the lowa 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 lowa 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 lowa since the start of the recession (shown along the vertical axis) measures the toll the recession took on the job supply in lowa.



ST	TATE QUICK F	ACTS	
		Iowa	United States
Unemployment Rates	July 2009	6.3%	9.5%
	July 2010	6.3%	9.5%
	July 2011	6.0%	9.1%
	July 2012	5.3%	8.3%
Percent of Population Who Are Veterans	2011	10.2%	9.4%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	6.4%	8.3%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	11.8%	12.1%
Median Household Income	2007	\$ 51,430	\$ 52,823
(2010 \$)	2010	\$ 49,177	\$ 49,445
Poverty Rate	. 2007	8.9%	12.5%
	2010	10.3%	15.1%
No Health Insurance	2007	9.3%	15.3%
	2010	12.3%	16.3%

## **Economic Overview And Outlook: Kansas**

#### **JOBS**

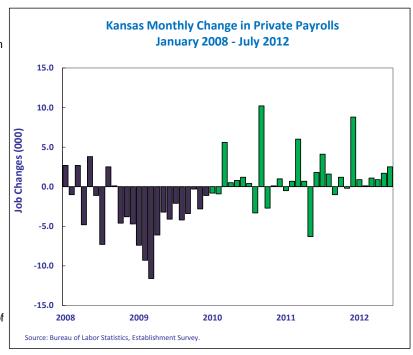
- Including July, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 29 consecutive months.
- In Kansas, private sector employment fell by 6.4 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 3.5 percent.
- In Kansas, employees in the mining, manufacturing, 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 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 Kansas was 6.3 percent in July 2012, up 2.3 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 7.6 percent in August 2009.
- 93,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Kansas during July 2012.
- In Kansas, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 12,868 during July, down 14.7 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 1st quarter of 2012, total personal income is 0.7 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.



Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Kansas was \$35,307.60 in the 1st quarter of 2012, up from \$34,514.60 in the 1st quarter of 2010.

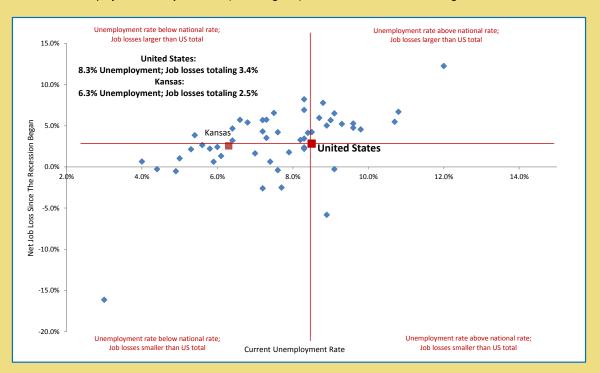
- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 16.8 percent over 17 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2011 and the first quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 0.2 percent.
- In Kansas, home prices fell by 4.3 percent over 9 quarters from their peak in the first quarter of 2009. Since the second quarter of 2011, home prices in Kansas have risen by 1.9 percent.
- As of the 2nd quarter of 2012, 2.3 percent of all mortgages, including 7.1 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Kansas.
- Housing starts in Kansas totaled 6,710 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in June 2012, an increase of 52.8 percent from May.
- Within the Midwest census region, which includes Kansas, sales of new single-family homes totaled 55,000 units in June 2012, an increase of 14.6 percent from May. Sales of existing single-family homes decreased 2.0 percent to 960,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from May to June 2012.

<sup>\*</sup> For Kansas-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the Kansas office: http://www.dol.ks.gov/lmis/lmis.html

## How Does Kansas 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 Kansas 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 Kansas since the start of the recession (shown along the vertical axis) measures the toll the recession took on the job supply in Kansas.



ST	ATE QUICK F	ACTS	
		Kansas	United States
Unemployment Rates	. July 2009	7.6%	9.5%
	July 2010	7.1%	9.5%
	July 2011	6.7%	9.1%
	July 2012	6.3%	8.3%
Percent of Population Who Are Veterans	. 2011	10.9%	9.4%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	6.1%	8.3%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	11.5%	12.1%
Median Household Income	2007	\$ 50,998	\$ 52,823
(2010 \$)	2010	\$ 46,229	\$ 49,445
Poverty Rate	. 2007	11.7%	12.5%
	2010	14.3%	15.1%
No Health Insurance	2007	12.7%	15.3%
	2010	12.7%	16.3%

# **Economic Overview And Outlook: Kentucky**

#### Jobs

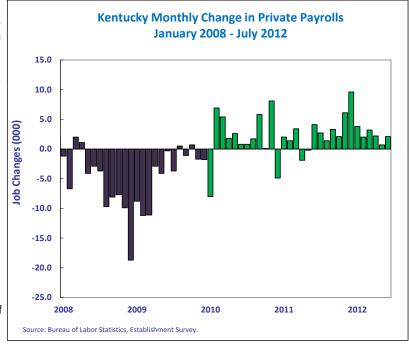
- Including July, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 29 consecutive months.
- In Kentucky, private sector employment fell by 8.0 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 5.4 percent.
- In Kentucky, employees in the manufacturing, 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; 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 Kentucky was 8.3 percent in July 2012, up 2.7 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 10.7 percent in January 2010.
- 171,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Kentucky during July 2012.
- In Kentucky, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 27,440 during July, up 32.6 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 60,225 in February 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 54.4 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 1st quarter of 2012, total personal income is 0.7 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.



Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Kentucky was \$29,722.20 in the 1st quarter of 2012, up from \$28,813.60 in the 1st quarter of 2010.

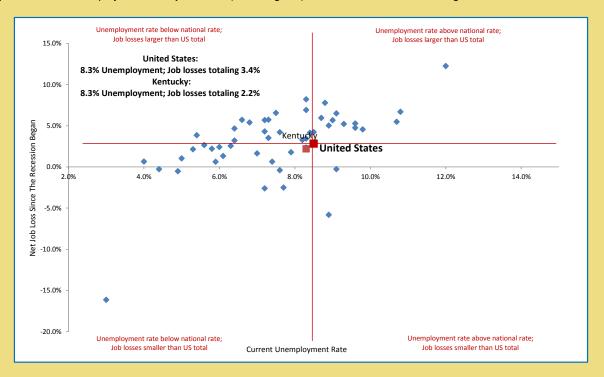
- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 16.8 percent over 17 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2011 and the first quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 0.2 percent.
- In Kentucky, home prices fell by 3.4 percent over 9 quarters from their peak in the first quarter of 2009. Since the second quarter of 2011, home prices in Kentucky have risen by 1.0 percent.
- As of the 2nd quarter of 2012, 3.8 percent of all mortgages, including 11.8 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Kentucky.
- Housing starts in Kentucky totaled 9,250 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in June 2012, an increase of 39.9 percent from May.
- Within the South census region, which includes Kentucky, sales of new single-family homes totaled 181,000 units in June 2012, a decrease of 8.6 percent from May. Sales of existing single-family homes decreased 4.4 percent to 1,520,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from May to June 2012.

<sup>\*</sup> For Kentucky-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the Kentucky office: http://www.workforcekentucky.ky.gov/

## How Does Kentucky 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 Kentucky 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 Kentucky since the start of the recession (shown along the vertical axis) measures the toll the recession took on the job supply in Kentucky.



St	ATE QUICK F	ACTS	
		Kentucky	United States
Unemployment Rates	. July 2009	10.7%	9.5%
	July 2010	10.0%	9.5%
	July 2011	9.7%	9.1%
	July 2012	8.3%	8.3%
Percent of Population Who Are Veterans	. 2011	10.0%	9.4%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	9.5%	8.3%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	7.6%	12.1%
Median Household Income	2007	\$ 41,486	\$ 52,823
(2010 \$)	2010	\$ 41,236	\$ 49,445
Poverty Rate	. 2007	15.5%	12.5%
	2010	17.7%	15.1%
No Health Insurance	2007	13.6%	15.3%
	2010	14.9%	16.3%

## **Economic Overview And Outlook: Louisiana**

#### **JOBS**

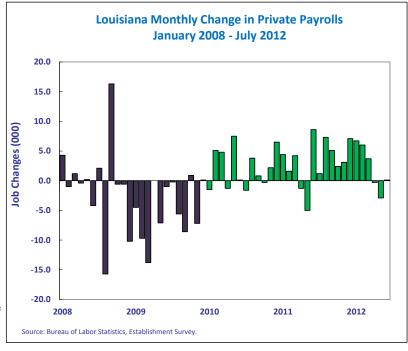
- Including July, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 29 consecutive months.
- In Louisiana, private sector employment fell by 4.2 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 5.3 percent.
- In Louisiana, employees in the information 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; 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 Louisiana was 7.6 percent in July 2012, up 3.9 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 7.9 percent in November 2010.
- 158,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Louisiana during July 2012.
- In Louisiana, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 14,454 during July, down 2.4 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 66,686 in September 2008, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 78.3 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 1st quarter of 2012, total personal income is 0.7 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.



Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Louisiana was \$33,662.20 in the 1st quarter of 2012, up from \$32,901.90 in the 1st quarter of 2010.

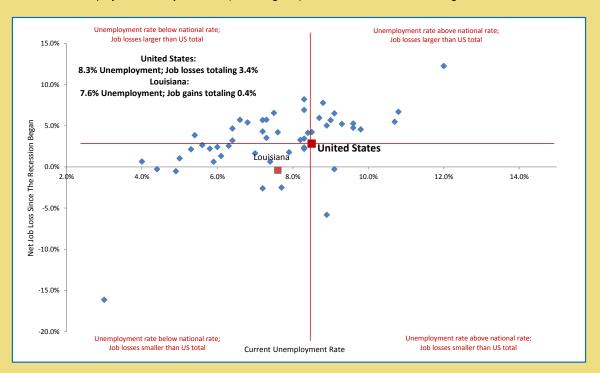
- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 16.8 percent over 17 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2011 and the first quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 0.2 percent.
- In Louisiana, home prices fell by 3.5 percent over 9 quarters from their peak in the first quarter of 2009. Since the second quarter of 2011, home prices in Louisiana have risen by 0.5 percent.
- As of the 2nd quarter of 2012, 3.4 percent of all mortgages, including 10.6 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Louisiana.
- Housing starts in Louisiana totaled 10,860 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in June 2012, an increase of 1.1 percent from May.
- Within the South census region, which includes Louisiana, sales of new single-family homes totaled 181,000 units in June 2012, a decrease of 8.6 percent from May. Sales of existing single-family homes decreased 4.4 percent to 1,520,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from May to June 2012.
  - \* For Louisiana-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the Louisiana office: http://www.laworks.net/LaborMarketInfo/LMI\_MainMenu.asp

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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 have unemployment rates job losses (or even gains) lower than the national average.



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## **Economic Overview And Outlook: Maine**

#### Jobs

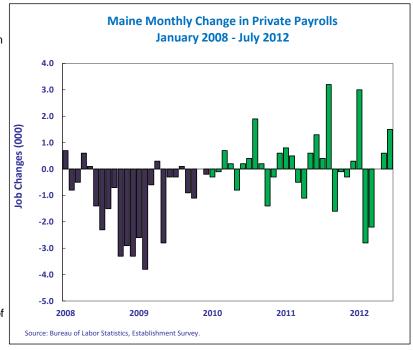
- Including July, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 29 consecutive months.
- In Maine, private sector employment fell by 5.4 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 1.1 percent.
- In Maine, employees in the mining, construction, 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: other services; mining; 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 Maine was 7.6 percent in July 2012, up 2.8 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 8.4 percent in March 2010.
- 54,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Maine during July 2012.
- In Maine, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 8,375 during July, up 12.5 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 11,134 in March 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 24.8 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 1st quarter of 2012, total personal income is 0.7 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.



Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Maine was \$33,514.90 in the 1st quarter of 2012, up from \$32,866.60 in the 1st quarter of 2010.

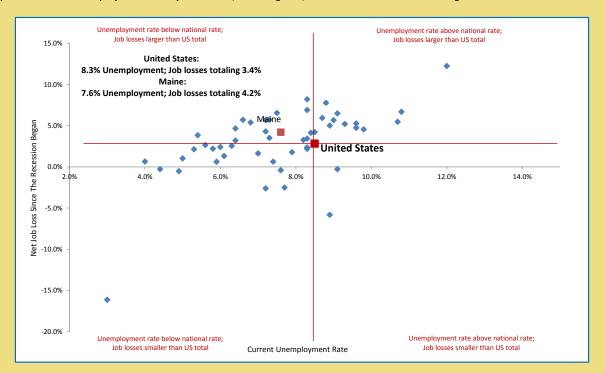
- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 16.8 percent over 17 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2011 and the first quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 0.2 percent.
- In Maine, home prices fell by 11.1 percent over 13 quarters from their peak in the first quarter of 2008. Since the second quarter of 2011, home prices in Maine have risen by 0.7 percent.
- As of the 2nd quarter of 2012, 5.7 percent of all mortgages, including 17.4 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Maine.
- Housing starts in Maine totaled 2,730 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in June 2012, an increase of 9.6 percent from May.
- Within the Northeast census region, which includes Maine, sales of new single-family homes totaled 16,000 units in June 2012, a decrease of 60.0 percent from May. Sales of existing single-family homes decreased 11.8 percent to 450,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from May to June 2012.

<sup>\*</sup> For Maine-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the Maine office: http://www.state.me.us/labor/

## How Does Maine 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 Maine 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 Maine since the start of the recession (shown along the vertical axis) measures the toll the recession took on the job supply in Maine.



ST	ATE QUICK F	ACTS	
		Maine	United States
Unemployment Rates	. July 2009	8.3%	9.5%
	July 2010	8.0%	9.5%
	July 2011	7.6%	9.1%
	July 2012	7.6%	8.3%
Percent of Population Who Are Veterans	. 2011	12.8%	9.4%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	7.5%	8.3%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	8.7%	12.1%
Median Household Income	. 2007	\$ 50,363	\$ 52,823
(2010 \$)	2010	\$ 48,133	\$ 49,445
Poverty Rate	. 2007	10.9%	12.5%
	2010	12.5%	15.1%
No Health Insurance	2007	8.8%	15.3%
	2010	9.4%	16.3%

# **Economic Overview And Outlook: Maryland**

#### **JOBS**

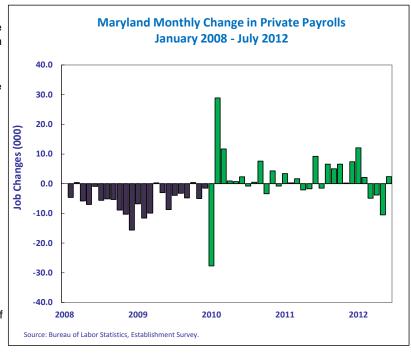
- Including July, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 29 consecutive months.
- In Maryland, private sector employment fell by 7.2 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 4.3 percent.
- In Maryland, employees in the natural 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 7.0 percent in July 2012, up 3.7 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 8.0 percent in March 2010.
- 215,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Maryland during July 2012.
- In Maryland, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 27,284 during July, down 3.6 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 38,058 in May 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 28.3 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 1st quarter of 2012, total personal income is 0.7 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.



Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Maryland was \$44,739.90 in the 1st quarter of 2012, up from \$43,624.00 in the 1st quarter of 2010.

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 16.8 percent over 17 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2011 and the first quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 0.2 percent.
- In Maryland, home prices fell by 23.1 percent over 16 quarters from their peak in the second quarter of 2007. Since the second quarter of 2011, home prices in Maryland have risen by 0.4 percent.
- As of the 2nd quarter of 2012, 4.9 percent of all mortgages, including 14.7 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Maryland.
- Housing starts in Maryland totaled 12,800 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in June 2012, an increase of 13.7 percent from May.
- Within the South census region, which includes Maryland, sales of new single-family homes totaled 181,000 units in June 2012, a decrease of 8.6 percent from May. Sales of existing single-family homes decreased 4.4 percent to 1,520,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from May to June 2012.

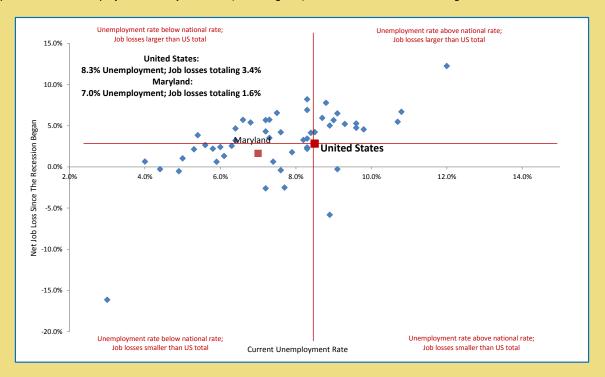
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#### STATE QUICK FACTS Maryland **United States** 7.6% 9.5% July 2010 7.8% 9.5% July 2011 7 2% 9 1% July 2012 7.0% 8.3% Percent of Population Who Are Veterans ........... 2011 9.7% 9.4% All Veterans' Unemployment Rate ..... 2011 5.9% 8.3% Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate...... 8.9% 12.1% 2011 \$ 69.014 \$ 52.823 Median Household Income ......2007 (2010 \$)2010 \$ 64,025 \$ 49,445 8.8% 12.5% 10.8% 15.1% No Health Insurance ......2007 13.7% 15.3% 13.1% 16.3%

## **Economic Overview And Outlook: Massachusetts**

#### Jobs

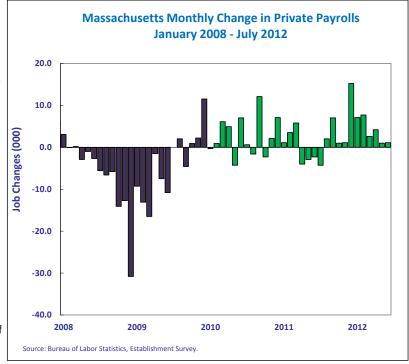
- Including July, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 29 consecutive months.
- In Massachusetts, private sector employment fell by 4.4 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 2.9 percent.
- In Massachusetts, employees in the 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; trade, transportation and utilities: 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 Massachusetts was 6.1 percent in July 2012, up 1.6 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 8.7 percent in February 2010.
- 211,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Massachusetts during July 2012.
- In Massachusetts, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 31,822 during July, down 6.5 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 1st quarter of 2012, total personal income is 0.7 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.



Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Massachusetts was \$46,958.80 in the 1st quarter of 2012, up from \$45,566.10 in the 1st quarter of 2010.

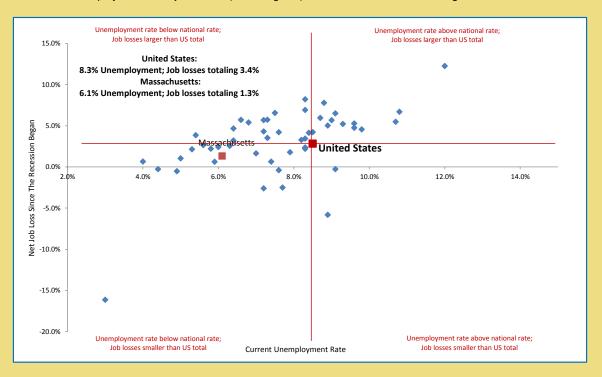
- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 16.8 percent over 17 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2011 and the first quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 0.2 percent.
- In Massachusetts, home prices fell by 15.2 percent over 21 quarters from their peak in the first quarter of 2006. Since the second quarter of 2011, home prices in Massachusetts have risen by 0.3 percent.
- As of the 2nd quarter of 2012, 3.0 percent of all mortgages, including 12.0 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Massachusetts.
- Housing starts in Massachusetts totaled 5,890 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in June 2012, a decrease of 36.5 percent from May.
- Within the Northeast census region, which includes Massachusetts, sales of new single-family homes totaled 16,000 units in June 2012, a decrease of 60.0 percent from May. Sales of existing single-family homes decreased 11.8 percent to 450,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from May to June 2012.
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## STATE QUICK FACTS

		Massachusetts	United States
Unemployment Rates	July 2009	8.4%	9.5%
	July 2010	8.2%	9.5%
	July 2011	7.4%	9.1%
	July 2012	6.1%	8.3%
Percent of Population Who Are Veterans	2011	7.9%	9.4%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	9.5%	8.3%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	7.0%	12.1%
Median Household Income	2007	\$ 61,477	\$ 52,823
(2010 \$)	2010	\$ 61,333	\$ 49,445
Poverty Rate	2007	11.2%	12.5%
	2010	10.6%	15.1%
No Health Insurance	2007	5.4%	15.3%
	2010	5.6%	16.3%

# **Economic Overview And Outlook: Michigan**

#### **JOBS**

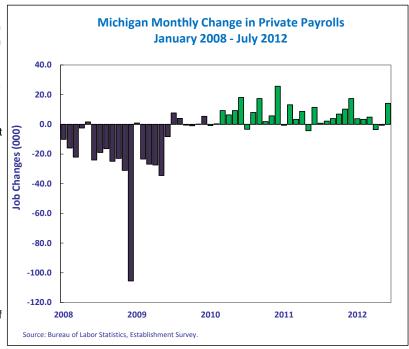
- Including July, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 29 consecutive months.
- In Michigan, private sector employment fell by 11.1 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 6.0 percent.
- In Michigan, employees in the manufacturing, 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 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 Michigan was 9.0 percent in July 2012, up 1.8 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 14.2 percent in August 2009.
- 421,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Michigan during July 2012.
- In Michigan, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 57,772 during July, down 6.1 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 171,209 in May 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 66.3 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 1st quarter of 2012, total personal income is 0.7 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.



Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Michigan was \$32,433.40 in the 1st quarter of 2012, up from \$30,605.60 in the 1st quarter of 2010.

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 16.8 percent over 17 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2011 and the first quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 0.2 percent.
- In Michigan, home prices fell by 26.8 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 1.3 percent.
- As of the 2nd quarter of 2012, 2.8 percent of all mortgages, including 6.3 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Michigan.
- Housing starts in Michigan totaled 9,270 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in June 2012, a decrease of 23.9 percent from May.
- Within the Midwest census region, which includes Michigan, sales of new single-family homes totaled 55,000 units in June 2012, an increase of 14.6 percent from May. Sales of existing single-family homes decreased 2.0 percent to 960,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from May to June 2012.

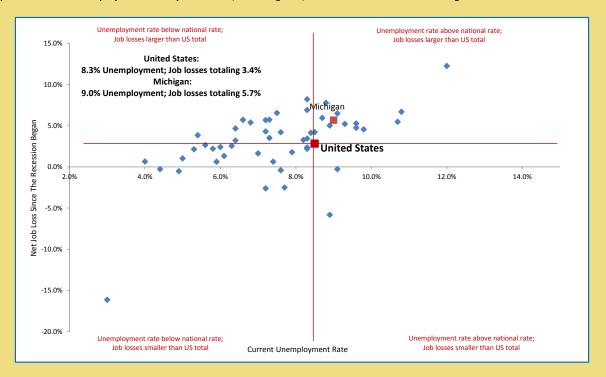
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## How Does Michigan Compare To Other States?

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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 have unemployment rates job losses (or even gains) lower than the national average.



#### STATE QUICK FACTS **United States** Michigan 14.1% 9.5% July 2010 12.6% 9.5% July 2011 10.6% 9 1% July 2012 9.0% 8.3% Percent of Population Who Are Veterans ........... 2011 8.6% 9.4% All Veterans' Unemployment Rate ..... 2011 11.3% 8.3% Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate...... 14.4% 12.1% 2011 \$ 51.916 \$ 52.823 Median Household Income ......2007 (2010 \$)2010 \$ 46,441 \$ 49,445 10.8% 12.5% 15.5% 15.1% No Health Insurance ......2007 11.6% 15.3% 13.0% 16.3%

## **Economic Overview And Outlook: Minnesota**

#### Jobs

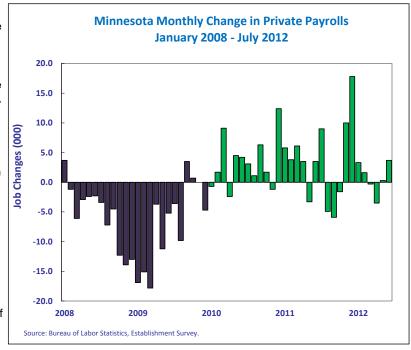
- Including July, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 29 consecutive months.
- In Minnesota, private sector employment fell by 6.4 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 4.0 percent.
- In Minnesota, employees in the mining, 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 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 Minnesota was 5.8 percent in July 2012, up 1.0 percentage point from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 8.3 percent in June 2009.
- 172,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Minnesota during July 2012.
- In Minnesota, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 23,715 during July, up 7.3 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 49,423 in July 2011, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 52.0 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 1st quarter of 2012, total personal income is 0.7 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.



Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Minnesota was \$39,275.30 in the 1st quarter of 2012, up from \$37,954.80 in the 1st quarter of 2010.

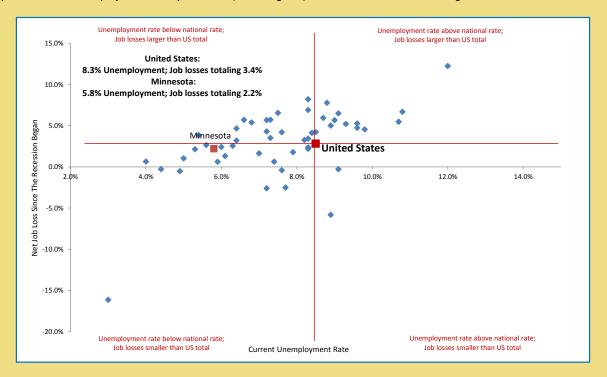
- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 16.8 percent over 17 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2011 and the first quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 0.2 percent.
- In Minnesota, home prices fell by 19.8 percent over 17 quarters from their peak in the first quarter of 2007. Since the second quarter of 2011, home prices in Minnesota have risen by 0.4 percent.
- As of the 2nd quarter of 2012, 2.3 percent of all mortgages, including 9.4 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Minnesota.
- Housing starts in Minnesota totaled 9,790 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in June 2012, an increase of 4.7 percent from May.
- Within the Midwest census region, which includes Minnesota, sales of new single-family homes totaled 55,000 units in June 2012, an increase of 14.6 percent from May. Sales of existing single-family homes decreased 2.0 percent to 960,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from May to June 2012.
  - \* For Minnesota-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the Minnesota office: http://www.positivelyminnesota.com/Data\_Publications/Data/

## How Does Minnesota 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 Minnesota 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 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 have unemployment rates job losses (or even gains) lower than the national average.



#### **United States** Minnesota 8.2% 9.5% 7.2% July 2010 9.5% July 2011 6.6% 9 1% July 2012 5.8% 8.3% Percent of Population Who Are Veterans ........... 2011 9.9% 9.4% All Veterans' Unemployment Rate ..... 2011 5.9% 8.3% Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate...... 12.1% 2011 11.7% \$ 61.051 \$ 52.823 Median Household Income ......2007 (2010 \$)2010 \$ 52,554 \$ 49,445 9.3% 12.5% 10.5% 15.1% No Health Insurance ......2007 8.3% 15.3% 9.8% 16.3%

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# **Economic Overview And Outlook: Mississippi**

#### **JOBS**

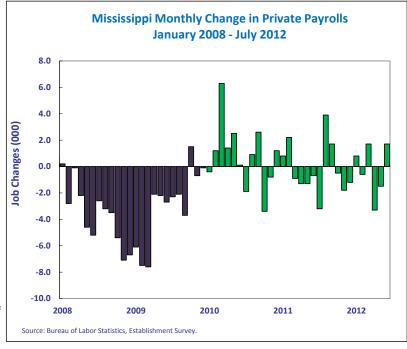
- Including July, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 29 consecutive months.
- In Mississippi, private sector employment fell by 8.7 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 0.8 percent.
- In Mississippi, employees in the manufacturing, 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 9.1 percent in July 2012, up 3.0 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 10.9 percent in September 2011.
- 121,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Mississippi during July 2012.
- In Mississippi, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 11,232 during July, down 13.1 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 25,567 in December 2008, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 56.1 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 1st quarter of 2012, total personal income is 0.7 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.



Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Mississippi was \$27,980.70 in the 1st quarter of 2012, up from \$27,498.90 in the 1st quarter of 2010.

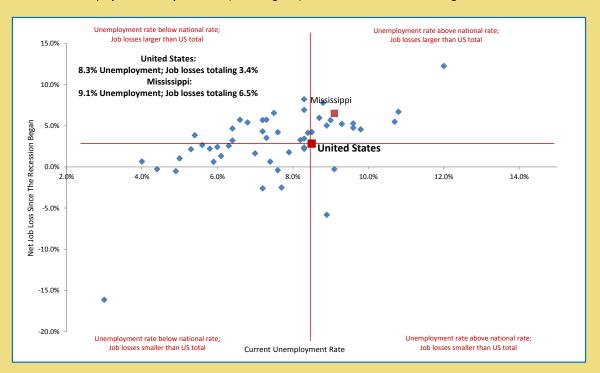
- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 16.8 percent over 17 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2011 and the first quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 0.2 percent.
- In Mississippi, home prices fell by 7.5 percent over 12 quarters from their peak in the first quarter of 2008. Since the first quarter of 2011, home prices in Mississippi have risen by 0.7 percent.
- As of the 2nd quarter of 2012, 3.4 percent of all mortgages, including 9.2 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Mississippi.
- Housing starts in Mississippi totaled 4,370 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in June 2012, a decrease of 30.7 percent from May.
- Within the South census region, which includes Mississippi, sales of new single-family homes totaled 181,000 units in June 2012, a decrease of 8.6 percent from May. Sales of existing single-family homes decreased 4.4 percent to 1,520,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from May to June 2012.
  - \* For Mississippi-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the Mississippi office: http://mdes.ms.gov/Home/LMI/LMIPublications/publicationmain.html

## How Does Mississippi 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 Mississippi 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 Mississippi since the start of the recession (shown along the vertical axis) measures the toll the recession took on the job supply in Mississippi.

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 have unemployment rates job losses (or even gains) lower than the national average.



## STATE QUICK FACTS

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		Mississippi	United States
Unemployment Rates	. July 2009	9.5%	9.5%
	July 2010	10.2%	9.5%
	July 2011	10.9%	9.1%
	July 2012	9.1%	8.3%
Percent of Population Who Are Veterans	. 2011	8.8%	9.4%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	9.7%	8.3%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	10.5%	12.1%
Median Household Income	. 2007	\$ 39,201	\$ 52,823
(2010 \$)	2010	\$ 37,985	\$ 49,445
Poverty Rate	. 2007	22.6%	12.5%
	2010	22.7%	15.1%
No Health Insurance	2007	18.8%	15.3%
	2010	21.1%	16.3%

## **Economic Overview And Outlook: Missouri**

#### **JOBS**

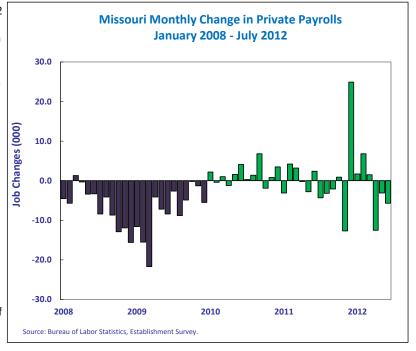
- Including July, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 29 consecutive months.
- In Missouri, private sector employment fell by 7.1 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 0.5 percent.
- In Missouri, employees in the mining, 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; mining; 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 Missouri was 7.2 percent in July 2012, up 1.9 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 9.7 percent in August 2009.
- 217,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Missouri during July 2012.
- In Missouri, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 31,252 during July, up 4.7 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 63,492 in October 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 50.8 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 1st quarter of 2012, total personal income is 0.7 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.



Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Missouri was \$33,651.10 in the 1st quarter of 2012, up from \$32,827.80 in the 1st quarter of 2010.

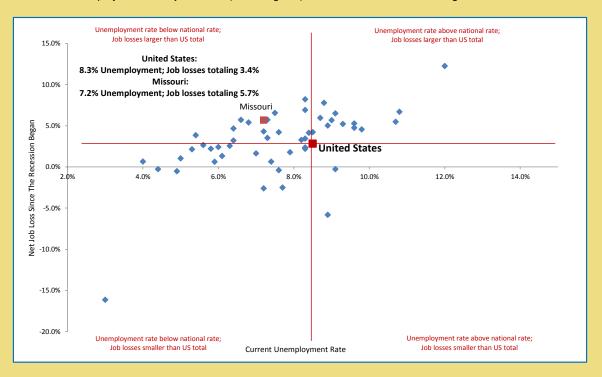
- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 16.8 percent over 17 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2011 and the first quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 0.2 percent.
- In Missouri, home prices fell by 9.3 percent over 13 quarters 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 2nd quarter of 2012, 2.0 percent of all mortgages, including 6.3 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Missouri.
- Housing starts in Missouri totaled 8,480 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in June 2012, a decrease of 6.3 percent from May.
- Within the Midwest census region, which includes Missouri, sales of new single-family homes totaled 55,000 units in June 2012, an increase of 14.6 percent from May. Sales of existing single-family homes decreased 2.0 percent to 960,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from May to June 2012.

<sup>\*</sup> For Missouri-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the Missouri office: http://www.labor.mo.gov/

## How Does Missouri 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 Missouri 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 Missouri since the start of the recession (shown along the vertical axis) measures the toll the recession took on the job supply in Missouri.



ST	ATE QUICK F	ACTS	
		Missouri	United States
Unemployment Rates	. July 2009	9.6%	9.5%
	July 2010	9.3%	9.5%
	July 2011	8.6%	9.1%
	July 2012	7.2%	8.3%
Percent of Population Who Are Veterans	. 2011	11.0%	9.4%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	7.2%	8.3%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	9.2%	12.1%
Median Household Income	2007	\$ 48,377	\$ 52,823
(2010 \$)	2010	\$ 46,184	\$ 49,445
Poverty Rate	. 2007	12.8%	12.5%
	2010	14.8%	15.1%
No Health Insurance	2007	12.6%	15.3%
	2010	14.0%	16.3%

## **Economic Overview And Outlook: Montana**

#### **JOBS**

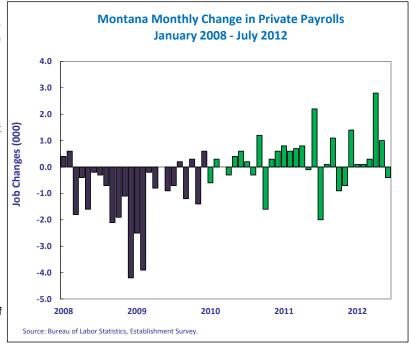
- Including July, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 29 consecutive months.
- In Montana, private sector employment fell by 6.8 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 2.8 percent.
- In Montana, employees in the construction, 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 construction.\*
- 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 6.4 percent in July 2012, up 2.7 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 7.0 percent in August 2011.
- 32,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Montana during July 2012.
- In Montana, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 6,108 during July, up 9.9 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 9,368 in March 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 34.8 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 1st quarter of 2012, total personal income is 0.7 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.



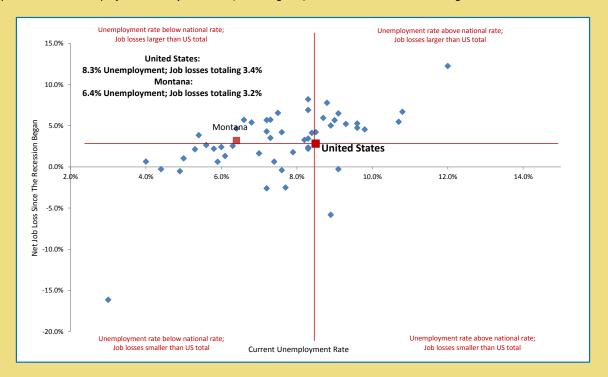
Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Montana was \$32,691.30 in the 1st quarter of 2012, up from \$31,174.20 in the 1st quarter of 2010.

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 16.8 percent over 17 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2011 and the first quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 0.2 percent.
- In Montana, home prices fell by 9.5 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 2nd quarter of 2012, 1.7 percent of all mortgages, including 9.1 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Montana.
- Housing starts in Montana totaled 2,570 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in June 2012, an increase of 40.4 percent from May.
- Within the West census region, which includes Montana, sales of new single-family homes totaled 98,000 units in June 2012, an increase of 2.1 percent from May. Sales of existing single-family homes decreased 5.8 percent to 970,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from May to June 2012.
  - \* For Montana-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the Montana office: http://www.ourfactsyourfuture.org/cgi/databrowsing/?PAGEID=4&SUBID=190

## How Does Montana 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 Montana 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 Montana since the start of the recession (shown along the vertical axis) measures the toll the recession took on the job supply in Montana.



ST	ATE QUICK F	ACTS	
		Montana	United States
Unemployment Rates	. July 2009	6.2%	9.5%
	July 2010	6.9%	9.5%
	July 2011	7.0%	9.1%
	July 2012	6.4%	8.3%
Percent of Population Who Are Veterans	. 2011	13.5%	9.4%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	7.8%	8.3%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	17.5%	12.1%
Median Household Income	. 2007	\$ 45,906	\$ 52,823
(2010 \$)	2010	\$ 41,467	\$ 49,445
Poverty Rate	2007	13.0%	12.5%
	2010	14.0%	15.1%
No Health Insurance	. 2007	15.6%	15.3%
	2010	18.1%	16.3%

## **Economic Overview And Outlook: Nebraska**

#### **JOBS**

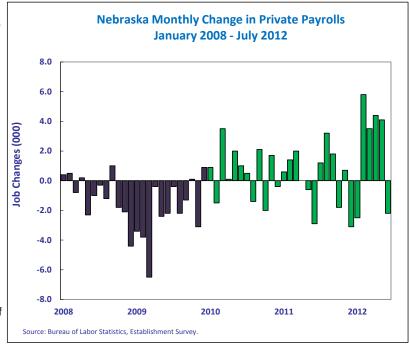
- Including July, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 29 consecutive months.
- In Nebraska, private sector employment fell by 4.4 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 2.8 percent.
- In Nebraska, employees in the manufacturing, 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; leisure and hospitality; 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 4.0 percent in July 2012, up 1.0 percentage point from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 4.9 percent in February 2010.
- 41,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Nebraska during July 2012.
- In Nebraska, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 7,791 during July, up 6.0 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 10,842 in May 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 28.1 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 1st quarter of 2012, total personal income is 0.7 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.



Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Nebraska was \$36,806.40 in the 1st quarter of 2012, up from \$34,821.60 in the 1st quarter of 2010.

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 16.8 percent over 17 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2011 and the first quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 0.2 percent.
- In Nebraska, home prices fell by 2.6 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 1.7 percent.
- As of the 2nd quarter of 2012, 1.4 percent of all mortgages, including 6.9 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Nebraska.
- Housing starts in Nebraska totaled 6,200 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in June 2012, an increase of 3.5 percent from May.
- Within the Midwest census region, which includes Nebraska, sales of new single-family homes totaled 55,000 units in June 2012, an increase of 14.6 percent from May. Sales of existing single-family homes decreased 2.0 percent to 960,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from May to June 2012.

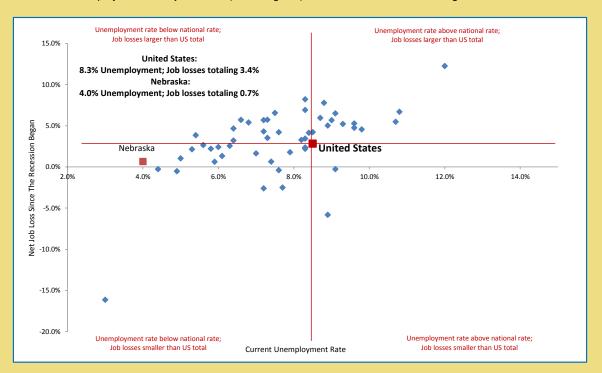
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## How Does Nebraska Compare To Other States?

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 Nebraska 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 Nebraska since the start of the recession (shown along the vertical axis) measures the toll the recession took on the job supply in Nebraska.

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 have unemployment rates job losses (or even gains) lower than the national average.



ST	ATE QUICK F	ACTS	
		Nebraska	United States
Unemployment Rates	. July 2009	4.9%	9.5%
	July 2010	4.6%	9.5%
	July 2011	4.5%	9.1%
	July 2012	4.0%	8.3%
Percent of Population Who Are Veterans	. 2011	10.1%	9.4%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	3.9%	8.3%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	11.0%	12.1%
Median Household Income	. 2007	\$ 51,709	\$ 52,823
(2010 \$)	2010	\$ 52,728	\$ 49,445
Poverty Rate	. 2007	9.9%	12.5%
	2010	10.2%	15.1%
No Health Insurance	2007	13.2%	15.3%
	2010	13.3%	16.3%

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## **Economic Overview And Outlook: Nevada**

#### Jobs

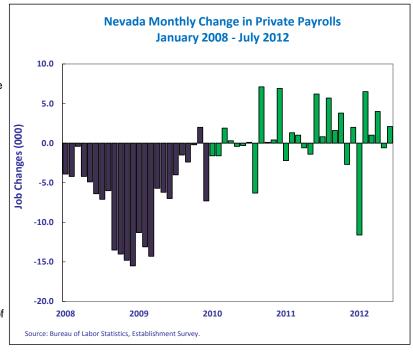
- Including July, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 29 consecutive months.
- In Nevada, private sector employment fell by 14.8 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 2.6 percent.
- In Nevada, employees in the construction, 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 12.0 percent in July 2012, up 6.8 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 14.0 percent in October 2010.
- 164,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Nevada during July 2012.
- In Nevada, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 19,788 during July, up 12.0 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 32,610 in May 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 39.3 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 1st quarter of 2012, total personal income is 0.7 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.



Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Nevada was \$33,159.20 in the 1st quarter of 2012, up from \$32,883.10 in the 1st quarter of 2010.

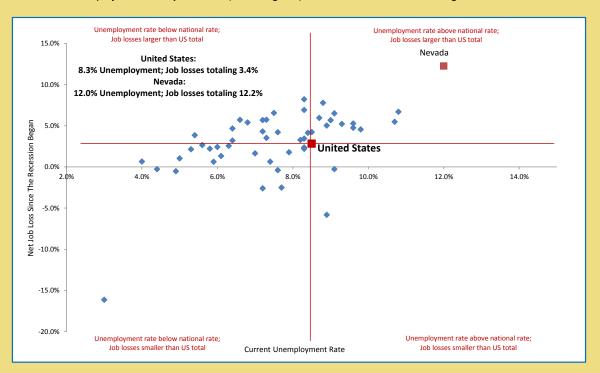
- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 16.8 percent over 17 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2011 and the first quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 0.2 percent.
- In Nevada, home prices have fallen by 54.4 percent over 22 quarters from their peak in the third quarter of 2006.
- As of the 2nd quarter of 2012, 6.1 percent of all mortgages, including 15.4 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Nevada.
- Housing starts in Nevada totaled 13,930 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in June 2012, an increase of 89.3 percent from May.
- Within the West census region, which includes Nevada, sales of new single-family homes totaled 98,000 units in June 2012, an increase of 2.1 percent from May. Sales of existing single-family homes decreased 5.8 percent to 970,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from May to June 2012.

<sup>\*</sup> 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.



ST	ATE QUICK F	ACTS	
		Nevada	United States
Unemployment Rates	. July 2009	12.0%	9.5%
	July 2010	13.8%	9.5%
	July 2011	13.8%	9.1%
	July 2012	12.0%	8.3%
Percent of Population Who Are Veterans	. 2011	11.1%	9.4%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	13.2%	8.3%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	18.9%	12.1%
Median Household Income	. 2007	\$ 56,845	\$ 52,823
(2010 \$)	2010	\$ 51,525	\$ 49,445
Poverty Rate	. 2007	9.7%	12.5%
	2010	16.4%	15.1%
No Health Insurance	2007	17.2%	15.3%
	2010	21.3%	16.3%

# **Economic Overview And Outlook: New Hampshire**

#### **JOBS**

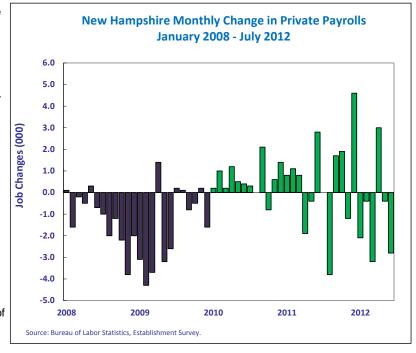
- Including July, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 29 consecutive months.
- In New Hampshire, private sector employment fell by 5.8 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 1.4 percent.
- In New Hampshire, employees in the 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; 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 New Hampshire was 5.4 percent in July 2012, up 2.0 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 6.7 percent in January 2010.
- 40,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in New Hampshire during July 2012.
- In New Hampshire, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 5,522 during July, down 10.4 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 10,653 in March 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 48.2 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 1st quarter of 2012, total personal income is 0.7 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.



Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in New Hampshire was \$40,357.40 in the 1st quarter of 2012, up from \$38,742.50 in the 1st quarter of 2010.

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 16.8 percent over 17 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2011 and the first quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 0.2 percent.
- In New Hampshire, home prices have fallen by 17.6 percent over 24 quarters from their peak in the first quarter of 2006.
- As of the 2nd quarter of 2012, 2.4 percent of all mortgages, including 8.3 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in New Hampshire.
- Housing starts in New Hampshire totaled 2,020 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in June 2012, a decrease of 19.2 percent from May.
- Within the Northeast census region, which includes New Hampshire, sales of new single-family homes totaled 16,000 units in June 2012, a decrease of 60.0 percent from May. Sales of existing single-family homes decreased 11.8 percent to 450,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from May to June 2012.

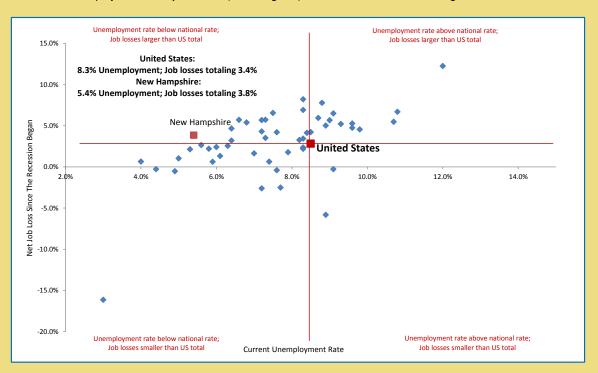
<sup>\*</sup> For New Hampshire-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the New Hampshire office: http://www.nh.gov/nhes/elmi/

## 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 have unemployment rates job losses (or even gains) lower than the national average.



## STATE QUICK FACTS

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		New Hampshire	United States
Unemployment Rates	. July 2009	6.5%	9.5%
	July 2010	6.0%	9.5%
	July 2011	5.5%	9.1%
	July 2012	5.4%	8.3%
Percent of Population Who Are Veterans	. 2011	11.4%	9.4%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	4.3%	8.3%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	8.9%	12.1%
Median Household Income	. 2007	\$ 71,060	\$ 52,823
(2010 \$)	2010	\$ 66,707	\$ 49,445
Poverty Rate	. 2007	5.8%	12.5%
	2010	6.6%	15.1%
No Health Insurance	2007	10.5%	15.3%
	2010	10.3%	16.3%

# **Economic Overview And Outlook: New Jersey**

#### **JOBS**

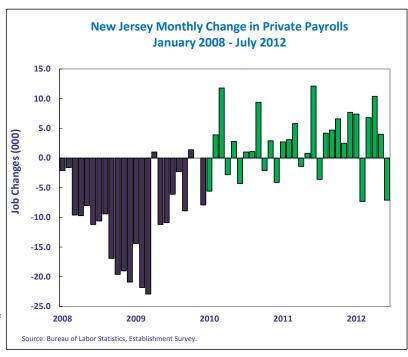
- Including July, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 29 consecutive months.
- In New Jersey, private sector employment fell by 7.2 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 2.5 percent.
- In New Jersey, employees in the construction, 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: 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 Jersey is currently at its peak of 9.8 percent in July 2012, up 5.2 percentage points from December 2007.
- 451,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in New Jersey during July 2012.
- In New Jersey, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 45,417 during July, down 15.1 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 75,943 in February 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 40.2 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 1st quarter of 2012, total personal income is 0.7 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.



Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in New Jersey was \$46,691.80 in the 1st quarter of 2012, up from \$45,729.70 in the 1st quarter of 2010.

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 16.8 percent over 17 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2011 and the first quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 0.2 percent.
- In New Jersey, home prices have fallen by 19.1 percent over 20 quarters from their peak in the first quarter of 2007.
- As of the 2nd quarter of 2012, 7.7 percent of all mortgages, including 26.7 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in New Jersey.
- Housing starts in New Jersey totaled 18,310 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in June 2012, an increase of 65.3 percent from May.
- Within the Northeast census region, which includes New Jersey, sales of new single-family homes totaled 16,000 units in June 2012, a decrease of 60.0 percent from May. Sales of existing single-family homes decreased 11.8 percent to 450,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from May to June 2012.

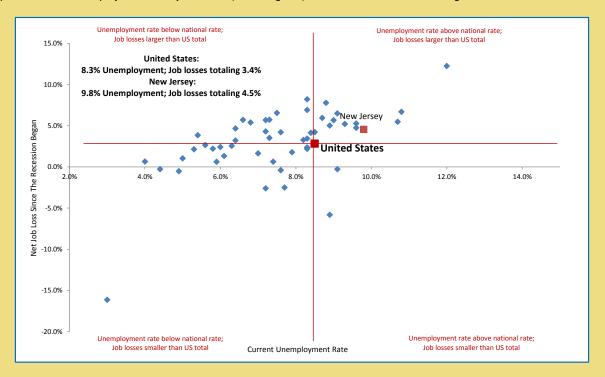
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## How Does New Jersey Compare To Other States?

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 have unemployment rates job losses (or even gains) lower than the national average.



## STATE QUICK FACTS

	New Jersey	United States
Unemployment Rates	9.3%	9.5%
July 201	9.6%	9.5%
July 201	9.4%	9.1%
July 20 <sup>2</sup>	9.8%	8.3%
Percent of Population Who Are Veterans 2011	6.5%	9.4%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate 2011	10.7%	8.3%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate 2011	7.2%	12.1%
Median Household Income2007	\$ 63,628	\$ 52,823
(2010 \$) 2010	\$ 63,540	\$ 49,445
Poverty Rate	8.7%	12.5%
2010	10.7%	15.1%
No Health Insurance2007	15.8%	15.3%
2010	15.4%	16.3%

## **Economic Overview And Outlook: New Mexico**

#### **JOBS**

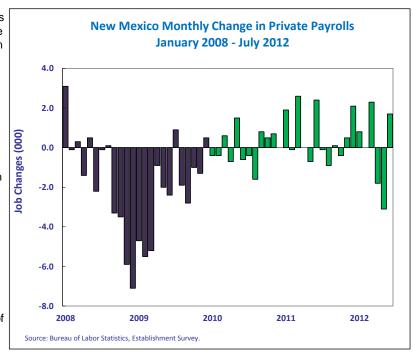
- Including July, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 29 consecutive months.
- In New Mexico, private sector employment fell by 7.1 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 1.3 percent.
- In New Mexico, employees in the construction, 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; 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 New Mexico was 6.6 percent in July 2012, up 3.0 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 8.0 percent in October 2010.
- 61,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in New Mexico during July 2012
- In New Mexico, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 7,563 during July, up 1.5 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 10,952 in February 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 30.9 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 1st quarter of 2012, total personal income is 0.7 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.



Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in New Mexico was \$30,276.70 in the 1st quarter of 2012, up from \$29,738.90 in the 1st quarter of 2010.

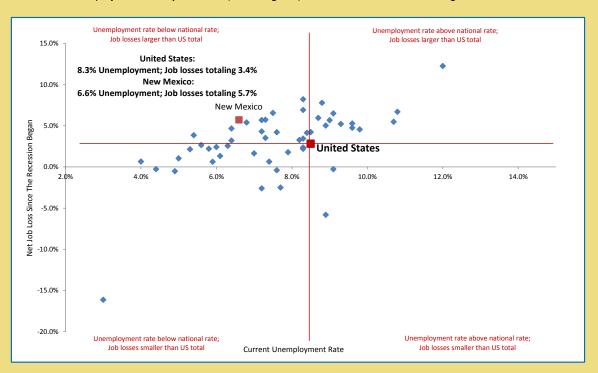
- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 16.8 percent over 17 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2011 and the first quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 0.2 percent.
- In New Mexico, home prices have fallen by 14.3 percent over 16 quarters from their peak in the first quarter of 2008.
- As of the 2nd quarter of 2012, 4.1 percent of all mortgages, including 12.3 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in New Mexico.
- Housing starts in New Mexico totaled 4,620 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in June 2012, an increase of 15.5 percent from May.
- Within the West census region, which includes New Mexico, sales of new single-family homes totaled 98,000 units in June 2012, an increase of 2.1 percent from May. Sales of existing single-family homes decreased 5.8 percent to 970,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from May to June 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 have unemployment rates job losses (or even gains) lower than the national average.



## STATE QUICK FACTS

		New Mexico	United States
Unemployment Rates	. July 2009	7.0%	9.5%
	July 2010	8.0%	9.5%
	July 2011	7.5%	9.1%
	July 2012	6.6%	8.3%
Percent of Population Who Are Veterans	. 2011	11.8%	9.4%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	8.0%	8.3%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	8.9%	12.1%
Median Household Income	2007	\$ 46,643	\$ 52,823
(2010 \$)	2010	\$ 45,098	\$ 49,445
Poverty Rate	. 2007	14.0%	12.5%
	2010	18.6%	15.1%
No Health Insurance	2007	22.5%	15.3%
	2010	21.6%	16.3%

## **Economic Overview And Outlook: New York**

### Jobs

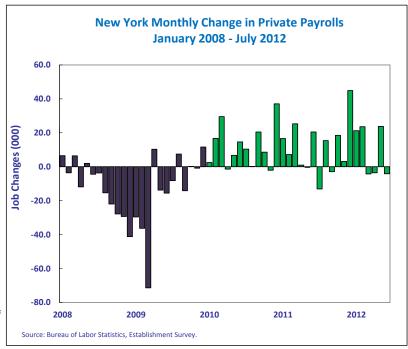
- Including July, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 29 consecutive months.
- In New York, private sector employment fell by 4.1 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 4.8 percent.
- In New York, employees in the mining, 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 is currently at its peak of 9.1 percent in July 2012, up 4.4 percentage points from December 2007.
- 870,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in New York during July 2012.
- In New York, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 120,024 during July, up 12.8 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 140,868 in March 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 14.8 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 1st quarter of 2012, total personal income is 0.7 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.



Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in New York was \$44,444.80 in the 1st quarter of 2012, up from \$43,109.60 in the 1st quarter of 2010.

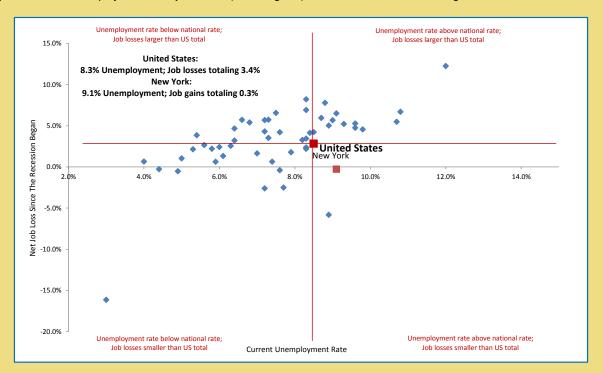
- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 16.8 percent over 17 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2011 and the first quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 0.2 percent.
- In New York, home prices have fallen by 11.8 percent over 20 quarters from their peak in the first quarter of 2007.
- As of the 2nd quarter of 2012, 6.5 percent of all mortgages, including 22.5 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in New York.
- Housing starts in New York totaled 19,350 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in June 2012, a decrease of 0.1 percent from May.
- Within the Northeast census region, which includes New York, sales of new single-family homes totaled 16,000 units in June 2012, a decrease of 60.0 percent from May. Sales of existing single-family homes decreased 11.8 percent to 450,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from May to June 2012.

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

## How Does New York 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 York 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 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.



STATE QUICK FACTS				
		New York	United States	
Unemployment Rates	. July 2009	8.7%	9.5%	
	July 2010	8.6%	9.5%	
	July 2011	8.2%	9.1%	
	July 2012	9.1%	8.3%	
Percent of Population Who Are Veterans	. 2011	6.6%	9.4%	
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	7.7%	8.3%	
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	16.7%	12.1%	
Median Household Income	2007	\$ 51,468	\$ 52,823	
(2010 \$)	2010	\$ 49,826	\$ 49,445	
Poverty Rate	. 2007	14.5%	12.5%	
	2010	16.0%	15.1%	
No Health Insurance	2007	13.2%	15.3%	
	2010	15.0%	16.3%	

## **Economic Overview And Outlook: North Carolina**

#### **JOBS**

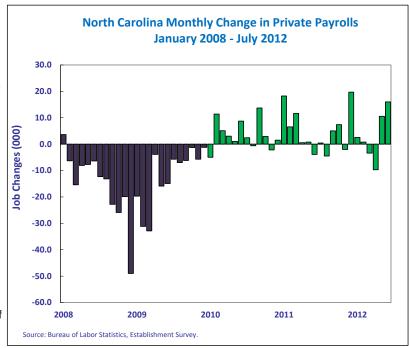
- Including July, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 29 consecutive months.
- In North Carolina, private sector employment fell by 9.6 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 3.9 percent.
- In North Carolina, employees in 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 9.6 percent in July 2012, up 4.6 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 11.4 percent in February 2010.
- 445,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in North Carolina during July 2012.
- In North Carolina, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 61,544 during July, up 8.7 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 135,178 in March 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 1st quarter of 2012, total personal income is 0.7 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.



Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in North Carolina was \$31,579.10 in the 1st quarter of 2012, up from \$31,332.10 in the 1st quarter of 2010.

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 16.8 percent over 17 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2011 and the first quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 0.2 percent.
- In North Carolina, home prices have fallen by 10.6 percent over 12 quarters from their peak in the first quarter of 2009.
- As of the 2nd quarter of 2012, 3.0 percent of all mortgages, including 9.5 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in North Carolina.
- Housing starts in North Carolina totaled 39,800 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in June 2012, a decrease of 21.2 percent from May.
- Within the South census region, which includes North Carolina, sales of new single-family homes totaled 181,000 units in June 2012, a decrease of 8.6 percent from May. Sales of existing single-family homes decreased 4.4 percent to 1,520,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from May to June 2012.

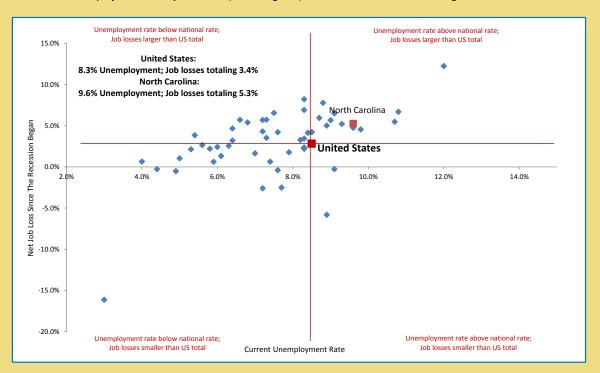
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# How Does North Carolina Compare To Other States?

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 have unemployment rates job losses (or even gains) lower than the national average.



		North Carolina	United States
Unemployment Rates	July 2009	10.7%	9.5%
	July 2010	10.8%	9.5%
	July 2011	10.7%	9.1%
	July 2012	9.6%	8.3%
Percent of Population Who Are Veterans	2011	11.0%	9.4%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	7.1%	8.3%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	8.9%	12.1%
Median Household Income	2007	\$ 45,757	\$ 52,823
(2010 \$)	2010	\$ 43,753	\$ 49,445
Poverty Rate	2007	15.5%	12.5%
	2010	17.4%	15.1%
No Health Insurance	2007	16.4%	15.3%
	2010	17.0%	16.3%

# **Economic Overview And Outlook: North Dakota**

#### Jobs

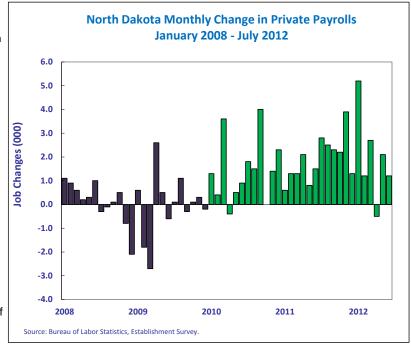
- Including July, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 29 consecutive months.
- In North Dakota, private sector employment rose by 0.8 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 17.4 percent.
- In North Dakota, employees in the 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 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 Dakota was 3.0 percent in July 2012, unchanged unchanged from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 4.2 percent in May 2009.
- 12,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in North Dakota during July 2012.
- In North Dakota, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 1,794 during July, up 4.4 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 5,761 in March 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 68.9 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 1st quarter of 2012, total personal income is 0.7 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.



Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in North Dakota was \$42,012.00 in the 1st quarter of 2012, up from \$37,272.10 in the 1st quarter of 2010.

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 16.8 percent over 17 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2011 and the first quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 0.2 percent.
- In North Dakota, home prices have risen by 0.8 percent above the previous peak set in the fourth quarter of 2011.
- As of the 2nd quarter of 2012, 1.1 percent of all mortgages, including 9.3 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in North Dakota.
- Housing starts in North Dakota totaled 5,170 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in June 2012, a decrease of 1.3 percent from May.
- Within the Midwest census region, which includes North Dakota, sales of new single-family homes totaled 55,000 units in June 2012, an increase of 14.6 percent from May. Sales of existing single-family homes decreased 2.0 percent to 960,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from May to June 2012.

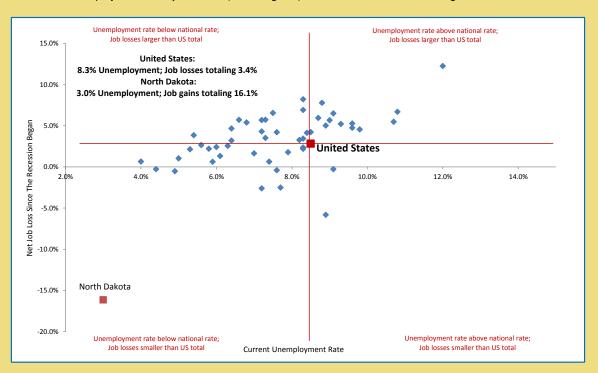
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# How Does North Dakota Compare To Other States?

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 Dakota 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 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 have unemployment rates job losses (or even gains) lower than the national average.



		North Dakota	United States
Unemployment Rates	. July 2009	4.1%	9.5%
	July 2010	3.8%	9.5%
	July 2011	3.6%	9.1%
	July 2012	3.0%	8.3%
Percent of Population Who Are Veterans	. 2011	10.6%	9.4%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	2.0%	8.3%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	2.7%	12.1%
Median Household Income	. 2007	\$ 49,639	\$ 52,823
(2010 \$)	2010	\$ 51,380	\$ 49,445
Poverty Rate	. 2007	9.3%	12.5%
	2010	12.2%	15.1%
No Health Insurance	2007	10.0%	15.3%
	2010	13.1%	16.3%

# **Economic Overview And Outlook: Ohio**

#### **JOBS**

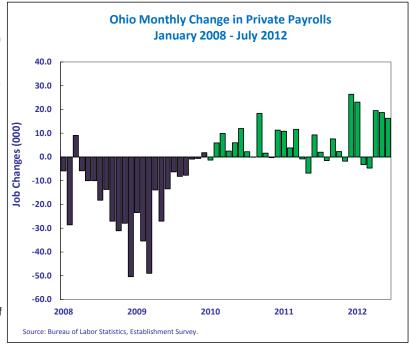
- Including July, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 29 consecutive months.
- In Ohio, private sector employment fell by 8.7 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 4.8 percent.
- In Ohio, employees in the manufacturing, construction, 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: 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 Ohio was 7.2 percent in July 2012, up 1.5 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 10.6 percent in January 2010.
- 418,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Ohio during July 2012.
- In Ohio, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 52,800 during July, up 9.0 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 122,356 in February 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 56.8 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 1st quarter of 2012, total personal income is 0.7 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.



Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Ohio was \$33,544.80 in the 1st quarter of 2012, up from \$32,094.00 in the 1st quarter of 2010.

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 16.8 percent over 17 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2011 and the first quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 0.2 percent.
- In Ohio, home prices fell by 10.3 percent over 17 quarters from their peak in the first quarter of 2007. Since the second quarter of 2011, home prices in Ohio have risen by 0.2 percent.
- As of the 2nd quarter of 2012, 4.9 percent of all mortgages, including 11.5 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Ohio.
- Housing starts in Ohio totaled 12,150 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in June 2012, a decrease of 16.4 percent from May.
- Within the Midwest census region, which includes Ohio, sales of new single-family homes totaled 55,000 units in June 2012, an increase of 14.6 percent from May. Sales of existing single-family homes decreased 2.0 percent to 960,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from May to June 2012.

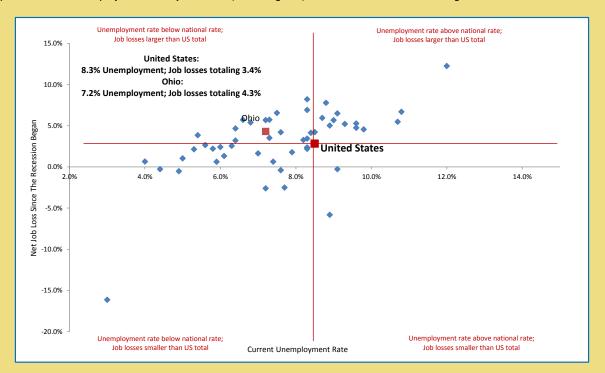
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# How Does Ohio Compare To Other States?

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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 have unemployment rates job losses (or even gains) lower than the national average.



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		Ohio	United States
Unemployment Rates	. July 2009	10.6%	9.5%
	July 2010	9.9%	9.5%
	July 2011	8.9%	9.1%
	July 2012	7.2%	8.3%
Percent of Population Who Are Veterans	. 2011	10.0%	9.4%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	10.7%	8.3%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	19.4%	12.1%
Median Household Income	. 2007	\$ 51,631	\$ 52,823
(2010 \$)	2010	\$ 46,093	\$ 49,445
Poverty Rate	2007	12.8%	12.5%
	2010	15.3%	15.1%
No Health Insurance	. 2007	11.7%	15.3%
	2010	13.7%	16.3%

# **Economic Overview And Outlook: Oklahoma**

#### **JOBS**

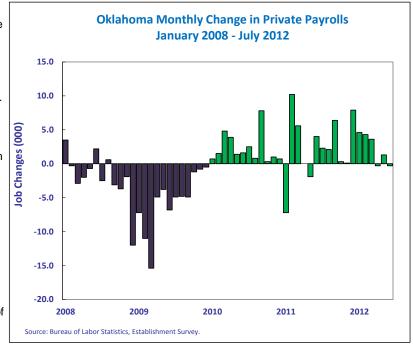
- Including July, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 29 consecutive months.
- In Oklahoma, private sector employment fell by 7.0 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 5.9 percent.
- In Oklahoma, employees in the manufacturing, 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 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 Oklahoma was 4.9 percent in July 2012, up 1.3 percentage point from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 7.2 percent in February 2010.
- 88,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Oklahoma during July 2012.
- In Oklahoma, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 11,105 during July, down 11.7 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 23,031 in April 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 51.8 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 1st quarter of 2012, total personal income is 0.7 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.



Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Oklahoma was \$32,979.20 in the 1st quarter of 2012, up from \$31,176.60 in the 1st quarter of 2010.

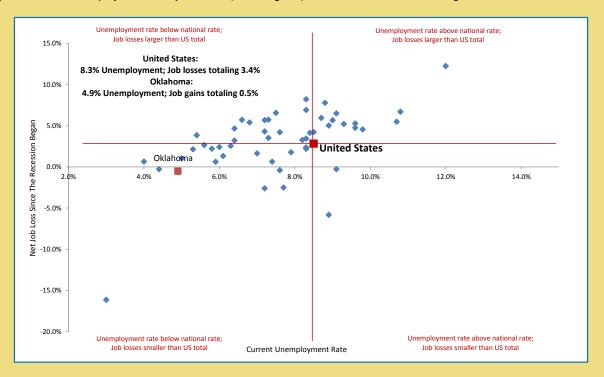
- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 16.8 percent over 17 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2011 and the first quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 0.2 percent.
- In Oklahoma, home prices fell by 3.1 percent over 10 quarters from their peak in the first quarter of 2009. Since the third quarter of 2011, home prices in Oklahoma have risen by 1.4 percent.
- As of the 2nd quarter of 2012, 3.4 percent of all mortgages, including 10.2 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Oklahoma.
- Housing starts in Oklahoma totaled 7,540 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in June 2012, a decrease of 48.4 percent from May.
- Within the South census region, which includes Oklahoma, sales of new single-family homes totaled 181,000 units in June 2012, a decrease of 8.6 percent from May. Sales of existing single-family homes decreased 4.4 percent to 1,520,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from May to June 2012.
  - \* For Oklahoma-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the Oklahoma office: http://www.ok.gov/oesc\_web/Services/Find\_Labor\_Market\_Statistics/

# How Does Oklahoma 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 Oklahoma 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 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 have unemployment rates job losses (or even gains) lower than the national average.



#### STATE QUICK FACTS Oklahoma **United States** 7.1% 9.5% July 2010 6.9% 9.5% July 2011 6.2% 9 1% July 2012 4.9% 8.3% Percent of Population Who Are Veterans ........... 2011 11.4% 9.4% All Veterans' Unemployment Rate ..... 2011 5.3% 8.3% Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate...... 8.9% 12.1% 2011 \$ 45.444 \$ 52.823 Median Household Income ......2007 (2010 \$)2010 \$ 43,400 \$ 49,445 13.4% 12.5% 16.3% 15.1% No Health Insurance ......2007 17.8% 15.3% 17.0% 16.3%

# **Economic Overview And Outlook: Oregon**

#### Jobs

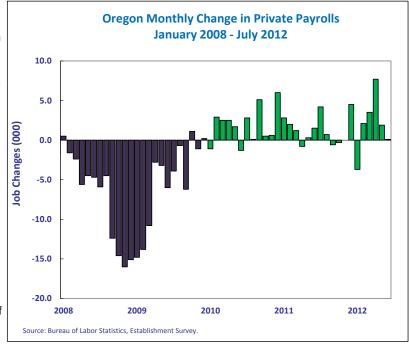
- Including July, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 29 consecutive months.
- In Oregon, private sector employment fell by 10.4 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 3.9 percent.
- In Oregon, employees in the construction, 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: 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 Oregon was 8.7 percent in July 2012, up 3.5 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 11.6 percent in June 2009.
- 173,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Oregon during July 2012.
- In Oregon, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 34,974 during July, up 9.8 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 61,646 in March 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 43.3 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 1st quarter of 2012, total personal income is 0.7 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.



Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Oregon was \$33,273.30 in the 1st quarter of 2012, up from \$32,321.10 in the 1st quarter of 2010.

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 16.8 percent over 17 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2011 and the first quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 0.2 percent.
- In Oregon, home prices have fallen by 23.8 percent over 17 quarters from their peak in the fourth quarter of 2007.
- As of the 2nd quarter of 2012, 3.9 percent of all mortgages, including 14.9 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Oregon.
- Housing starts in Oregon totaled 9,620 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in June 2012, a decrease of 15.3 percent from May.
- Within the West census region, which includes Oregon, sales of new single-family homes totaled 98,000 units in June 2012, an increase of 2.1 percent from May. Sales of existing single-family homes decreased 5.8 percent to 970,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from May to June 2012.

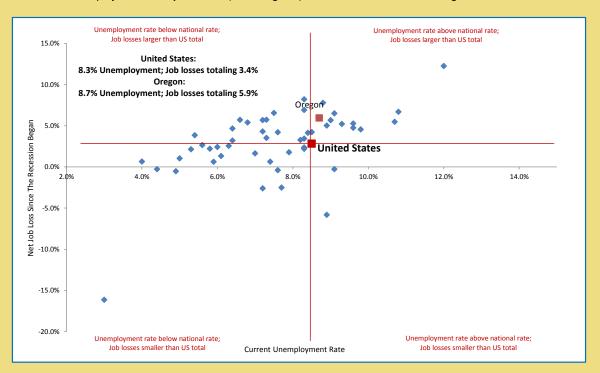
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# How Does Oregon Compare To Other States?

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 Oregon 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 Oregon since the start of the recession (shown along the vertical axis) measures the toll the recession took on the job supply in Oregon.

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 have unemployment rates job losses (or even gains) lower than the national average.



#### STATE QUICK FACTS **United States** Oregon 11.4% 9.5% July 2010 10.6% 9.5% July 2011 9.6% 9 1% July 2012 8.7% 8.3% Percent of Population Who Are Veterans ........... 2011 10.8% 9.4% All Veterans' Unemployment Rate ..... 2011 11.5% 8.3% Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate...... 24.1% 12.1% 2011 \$ 52.826 \$ 52.823 Median Household Income ......2007 (2010 \$)2010 \$ 50,526 \$ 49,445 12.8% 12.5% 14.2% 15.1% No Health Insurance ......2007 16.8% 15.3% 16.2% 16.3%

# **Economic Overview And Outlook: Pennsylvania**

#### **JOBS**

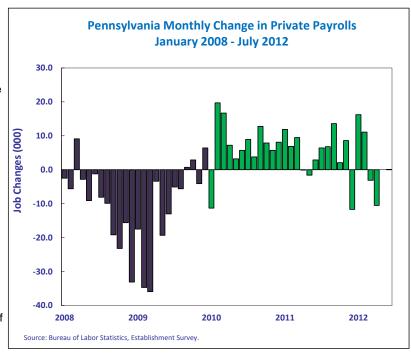
- Including July, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 29 consecutive months.
- In Pennsylvania, private sector employment fell by 5.1 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 3.5 percent.
- In Pennsylvania, employees in the 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 July 2012, up 3.3 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 8.7 percent in March 2010.
- 509,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Pennsylvania during July 2012.
- In Pennsylvania, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 102,353 during July, down 10.0 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 177,998 in May 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 42.5 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 1st quarter of 2012, total personal income is 0.7 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.



Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Pennsylvania was \$37,395.00 in the 1st quarter of 2012, up from \$36,057.40 in the 1st quarter of 2010.

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 16.8 percent over 17 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2011 and the first quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 0.2 percent.
- In Pennsylvania, home prices have fallen by 7.9 percent over 16 quarters from their peak in the first quarter of 2008.
- As of the 2nd quarter of 2012, 3.9 percent of all mortgages, including 12.7 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Pennsylvania.
- Housing starts in Pennsylvania totaled 19,960 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in June 2012, an increase of 49.7 percent from May.
- Within the Northeast census region, which includes Pennsylvania, sales of new single-family homes totaled 16,000 units in June 2012, a decrease of 60.0 percent from May. Sales of existing single-family homes decreased 11.8 percent to 450,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from May to June 2012.

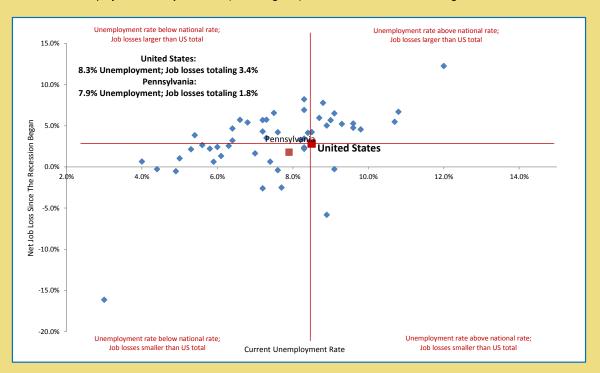
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# How Does Pennsylvania Compare To Other States?

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 Pennsylvania 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 Pennsylvania since the start of the recession (shown along the vertical axis) measures the toll the recession took on the job supply in Pennsylvania.

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 have unemployment rates job losses (or even gains) lower than the national average.



		Pennsylvania	United States
Unemployment Rates	July 2009	8.2%	9.5%
	July 2010	8.4%	9.5%
	July 2011	8.1%	9.1%
	July 2012	7.9%	8.3%
Percent of Population Who Are Veterans	2011	10.1%	9.4%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	7.3%	8.3%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	9.0%	12.1%
Median Household Income	. 2007	\$ 50,934	\$ 52,823
(2010 \$)	2010	\$ 48,460	\$ 49,445
Poverty Rate	2007	10.4%	12.5%
	2010	12.2%	15.1%
No Health Insurance	. 2007	9.5%	15.3%
	2010	11.0%	16.3%

# **Economic Overview And Outlook: Rhode Island**

#### **JOBS**

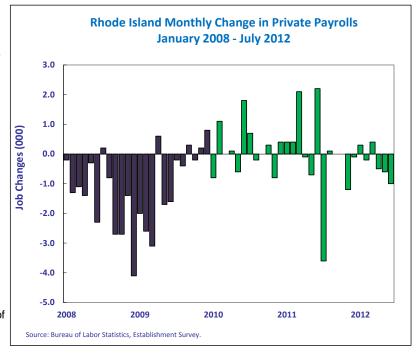
- Including July, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 29 consecutive months.
- In Rhode Island, private sector employment fell by 6.8 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 0.2 percent.
- In Rhode Island, employees in the 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: leisure and hospitality; 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 Rhode Island was 10.8 percent in July 2012, up 4.8 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 11.9 percent in January 2010.
- 60,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Rhode Island during July 2012.
- In Rhode Island, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 7,340 during January, up 0.1 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 16,652 in March 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 55.9 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 1st quarter of 2012, total personal income is 0.7 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.



Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Rhode Island was \$38,547.10 in the 1st quarter of 2012, up from \$37,146.40 in the 1st quarter of 2010.

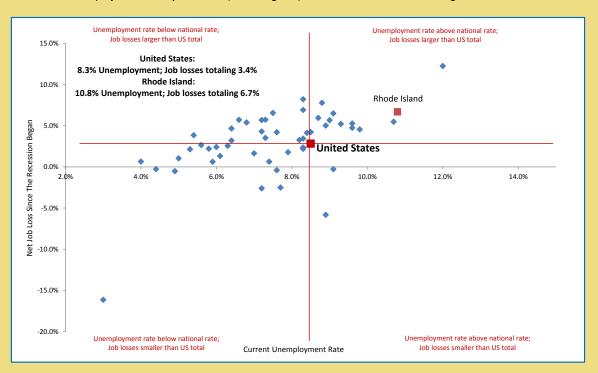
- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 16.8 percent over 17 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2011 and the first quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 0.2 percent.
- In Rhode Island, home prices have fallen by 24.2 percent over 23 quarters from their peak in the second quarter of 2006.
- As of the 2nd quarter of 2012, 3.9 percent of all mortgages, including 12.0 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Rhode Island.
- Housing starts in Rhode Island totaled 540 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in June 2012, was unchanged from May.
- Within the Northeast census region, which includes Rhode Island, sales of new single-family homes totaled 16,000 units in June 2012, a decrease of 60.0 percent from May. Sales of existing single-family homes decreased 11.8 percent to 450,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from May to June 2012.
  - \* For Rhode Island-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the Rhode Island office: http://www.dlt.ri.gov/lmi/news/lfrelease.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 have unemployment rates job losses (or even gains) lower than the national average.



		Rhode Island	United States
Unemployment Rates	. July 2009	11.1%	9.5%
	July 2010	11.6%	9.5%
	July 2011	11.4%	9.1%
	July 2012	10.8%	8.3%
Percent of Population Who Are Veterans	. 2011	8.7%	9.4%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	14.6%	8.3%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	16.8%	12.1%
Median Household Income	. 2007	\$ 57,005	\$ 52,823
(2010 \$)	2010	\$ 51,914	\$ 49,445
Poverty Rate	. 2007	9.5%	12.5%
	2010	13.6%	15.1%
No Health Insurance	2007	10.8%	15.3%
	2010	11.4%	16.3%

# **Economic Overview And Outlook: South Carolina**

#### **JOBS**

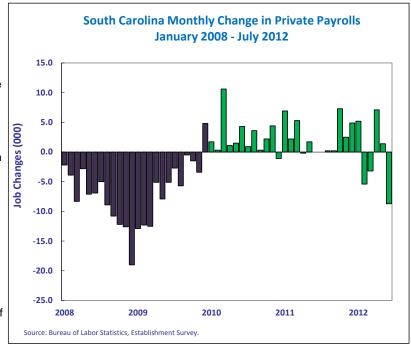
- Including July, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 29 consecutive months.
- In South Carolina, private sector employment fell by 10.1 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 3.8 percent.
- In South Carolina, employees in 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 9.6 percent in July 2012, up 4.1 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 12.0 percent in December 2009.
- 206,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in South Carolina during July 2012.
- In South Carolina, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 22,023 during July, down 10.4 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 55,022 in March 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 60.0 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 1st quarter of 2012, total personal income is 0.7 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.



Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in South Carolina was \$29,461.20 in the 1st quarter of 2012, up from \$28,879.20 in the 1st quarter of 2010.

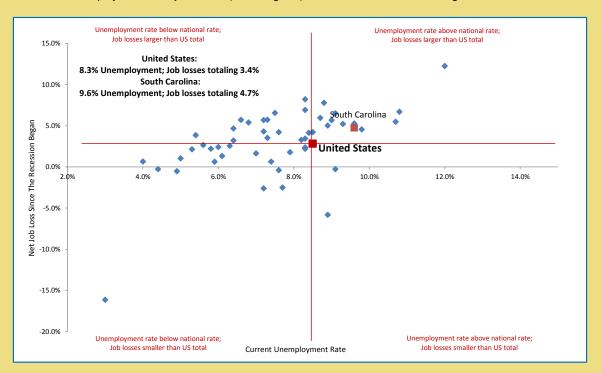
- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 16.8 percent over 17 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2011 and the first quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 0.2 percent.
- In South Carolina, home prices have fallen by 11.1 percent over 16 quarters from their peak in the first quarter of 2008.
- As of the 2nd quarter of 2012, 4.3 percent of all mortgages, including 12.5 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in South Carolina.
- Housing starts in South Carolina totaled 17,470 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in June 2012, a decrease of 23.7 percent from May.
- Within the South census region, which includes South Carolina, sales of new single-family homes totaled 181,000 units in June 2012, a decrease of 8.6 percent from May. Sales of existing single-family homes decreased 4.4 percent to 1,520,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from May to June 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 have unemployment rates job losses (or even gains) lower than the national average.



		South Carolina	United States
Unemployment Rates	. July 2009	11.8%	9.5%
	July 2010	11.0%	9.5%
	July 2011	10.5%	9.1%
	July 2012	9.6%	8.3%
Percent of Population Who Are Veterans	. 2011	10.5%	9.4%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	7.3%	8.3%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	13.2%	12.1%
Median Household Income	. 2007	\$ 46,493	\$ 52,823
(2010 \$)	2010	\$ 41,709	\$ 49,445
Poverty Rate	. 2007	14.1%	12.5%
	2010	17.0%	15.1%
No Health Insurance	2007	16.4%	15.3%
	2010	20.6%	16.3%

# **Economic Overview And Outlook: South Dakota**

#### Jobs

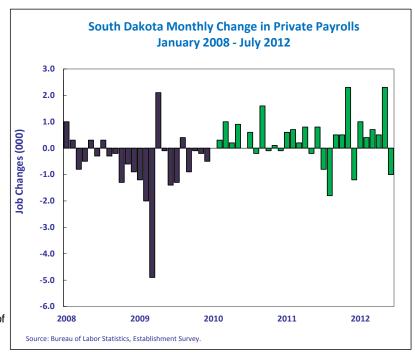
- Including July, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 29 consecutive months.
- In South Dakota, private sector employment fell by 3.9 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 3.3 percent.
- In South Dakota, employees in the 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: 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 Dakota was 4.4 percent in July 2012, up 1.7 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 5.3 percent in February 2010.
- 20,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in South Dakota during July 2012.
- In South Dakota, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 1,751 during July, up 1.4 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 3,750 in March 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 53.3 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 1st quarter of 2012, total personal income is 0.7 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.



Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in South Dakota was \$37,033.00 in the 1st quarter of 2012, up from \$34,637.00 in the 1st quarter of 2010.

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 16.8 percent over 17 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2011 and the first quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 0.2 percent.
- In South Dakota, home prices fell by 2.6 percent over 4 quarters from their peak in the first quarter of 2009. Since the first quarter of 2010, home prices in South Dakota have risen by 2.0 percent.
- As of the 2nd quarter of 2012, 1.5 percent of all mortgages, including 10.5 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in South Dakota.
- Housing starts in South Dakota totaled 4,860 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in June 2012, an increase of 62.5 percent from May.
- Within the Midwest census region, which includes South Dakota, sales of new single-family homes totaled 55,000 units in June 2012, an increase of 14.6 percent from May. Sales of existing single-family homes decreased 2.0 percent to 960,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from May to June 2012.

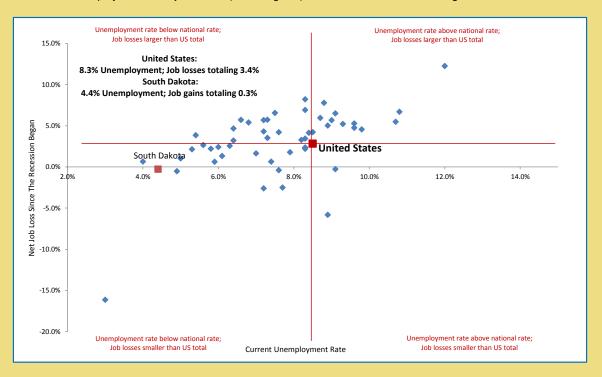
<sup>\*</sup> For South Dakota-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the South Dakota office: http://dol.sd.gov/lmic/menu\_labor\_force.aspx

# How Does South Dakota 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 Dakota 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 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 have unemployment rates job losses (or even gains) lower than the national average.



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		South Dakota	United States
Unemployment Rates	. July 2009	5.2%	9.5%
	July 2010	4.9%	9.5%
	July 2011	4.6%	9.1%
	July 2012	4.4%	8.3%
Percent of Population Who Are Veterans	. 2011	12.1%	9.4%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	4.1%	8.3%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	6.6%	12.1%
Median Household Income	2007	\$ 48,811	\$ 52,823
(2010 \$)	2010	\$ 45,669	\$ 49,445
Poverty Rate	. 2007	9.4%	12.5%
	2010	13.2%	15.1%
No Health Insurance	2007	10.1%	15.3%
	2010	13.0%	16.3%

# **Economic Overview And Outlook: Tennessee**

#### **JOBS**

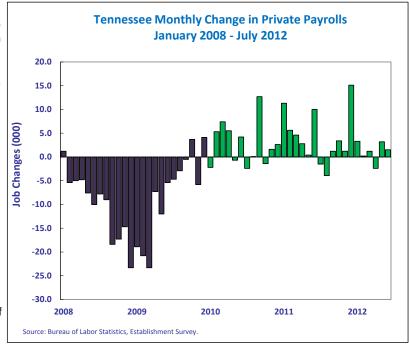
- Including July, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 29 consecutive months.
- In Tennessee, private sector employment fell by 9.2 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 4.3 percent.
- In Tennessee, employees in the natural 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 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 Tennessee was 8.4 percent in July 2012, up 3.0 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 11.0 percent in July 2009.
- 262,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Tennessee during July 2012.
- In Tennessee, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 24,864 during July, down 3.0 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 66,392 in March 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 62.5 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 1st quarter of 2012, total personal income is 0.7 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.



Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Tennessee was \$32,085.50 in the 1st quarter of 2012, up from \$31,005.90 in the 1st quarter of 2010.

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 16.8 percent over 17 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2011 and the first quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 0.2 percent.
- In Tennessee, home prices fell by 7.6 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 0.3 percent.
- As of the 2nd quarter of 2012, 2.4 percent of all mortgages, including 5.9 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Tennessee.
- Housing starts in Tennessee totaled 18,940 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in June 2012, an increase of 12.0 percent from May.
- Within the South census region, which includes Tennessee, sales of new single-family homes totaled 181,000 units in June 2012, a decrease of 8.6 percent from May. Sales of existing single-family homes decreased 4.4 percent to 1,520,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from May to June 2012.

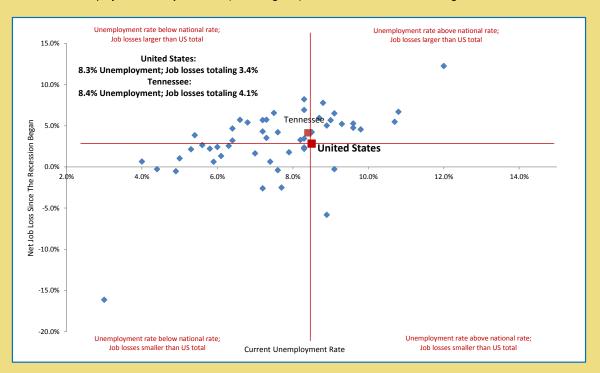
<sup>\*</sup> For Tennessee-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the Tennessee office: http://www.tn.gov/labor-wfd/lmr/

# How Does Tennessee Compare To Other States?

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 Tennessee 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 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 have unemployment rates job losses (or even gains) lower than the national average.



		Tennessee	United States
Unemployment Rates	. July 2009	11.0%	9.5%
	July 2010	9.4%	9.5%
	July 2011	9.4%	9.1%
	July 2012	8.4%	8.3%
Percent of Population Who Are Veterans	. 2011	10.6%	9.4%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	10.9%	8.3%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	17.9%	12.1%
Median Household Income	. 2007	\$ 43,319	\$ 52,823
(2010 \$)	2010	\$ 38,686	\$ 49,445
Poverty Rate	. 2007	14.8%	12.5%
	2010	16.7%	15.1%
No Health Insurance	2007	14.4%	15.3%
	2010	14.7%	16.3%

# **Economic Overview And Outlook: Texas**

#### Jobs

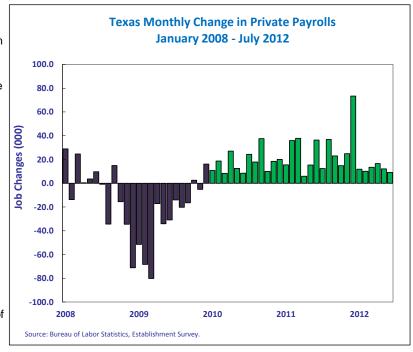
- Including July, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 29 consecutive months.
- In Texas, private sector employment fell by 4.5 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 7.2 percent.
- In Texas, employees in the construction, 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 7.2 percent in July 2012, up 2.8 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 8.2 percent in December 2010.
- 904,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Texas during July 2012.
- In Texas, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 73,505 during July, down 3.1 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 132,194 in September 2008, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 44.4 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 1st quarter of 2012, total personal income is 0.7 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.



Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Texas was \$34,631.20 in the 1st quarter of 2012, up from \$33,465.70 in the 1st quarter of 2010.

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 16.8 percent over 17 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2011 and the first quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 0.2 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 1.1 percent.
- As of the 2nd quarter of 2012, 1.9 percent of all mortgages, including 7.1 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Texas.
- Housing starts in Texas totaled 114,560 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in June 2012, a decrease of 2.3 percent from May.
- Within the South census region, which includes Texas, sales of new single-family homes totaled 181,000 units in June 2012, a decrease of 8.6 percent from May. Sales of existing single-family homes decreased 4.4 percent to 1,520,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from May to June 2012.

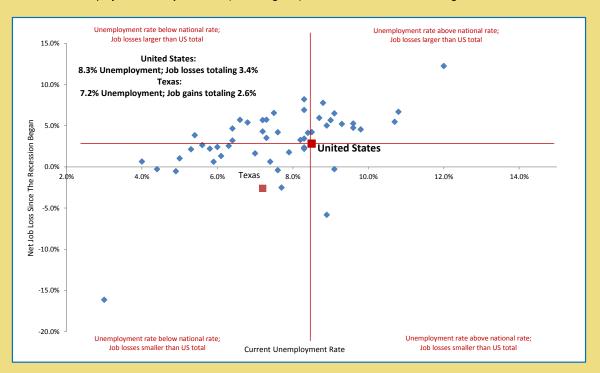
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# How Does Texas Compare To Other States?

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 Texas 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 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 have unemployment rates job losses (or even gains) lower than the national average.



ST	ATE QUICK F	ACTS	
		Texas	United States
Unemployment Rates	. July 2009	7.8%	9.5%
	July 2010	8.1%	9.5%
	July 2011	8.1%	9.1%
	July 2012	7.2%	8.3%
Percent of Population Who Are Veterans	. 2011	8.8%	9.4%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	7.2%	8.3%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	13.5%	12.1%
Median Household Income	. 2007	\$ 48,427	\$ 52,823
(2010 \$)	2010	\$ 47,464	\$ 49,445
Poverty Rate	2007	16.5%	12.5%
	2010	18.4%	15.1%
No Health Insurance	. 2007	25.2%	15.3%
	2010	24.6%	16.3%

# **Economic Overview And Outlook: Utah**

#### Jobs

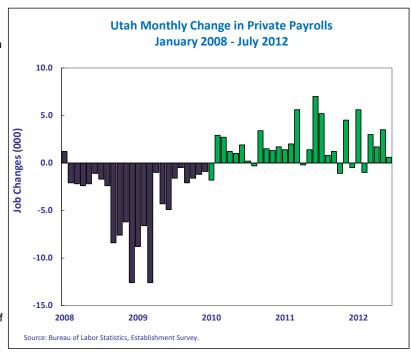
- Including July, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 29 consecutive months.
- In Utah, private sector employment fell by 9.1 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 6.1 percent.
- In Utah, employees in the construction, manufacturing, 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 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 Utah was 6.0 percent in July 2012, up 3.2 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 8.3 percent in January 2010.
- 82,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Utah during July 2012.
- In Utah, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 8,044 during June, up 0.3 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 16,442 in March 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 51.1 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 1st quarter of 2012, total personal income is 0.7 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.



Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Utah was \$29,713.40 in the 1st quarter of 2012, up from \$29,094.90 in the 1st quarter of 2010.

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 16.8 percent over 17 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2011 and the first quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 0.2 percent.
- In Utah, home prices fell by 20.9 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 2.0 percent.
- As of the 2nd quarter of 2012, 2.2 percent of all mortgages, including 8.0 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Utah.
- Housing starts in Utah totaled 14,120 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in June 2012, an increase of 26.5 percent from May.
- Within the West census region, which includes Utah, sales of new single-family homes totaled 98,000 units in June 2012, an increase of 2.1 percent from May. Sales of existing single-family homes decreased 5.8 percent to 970,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from May to June 2012.

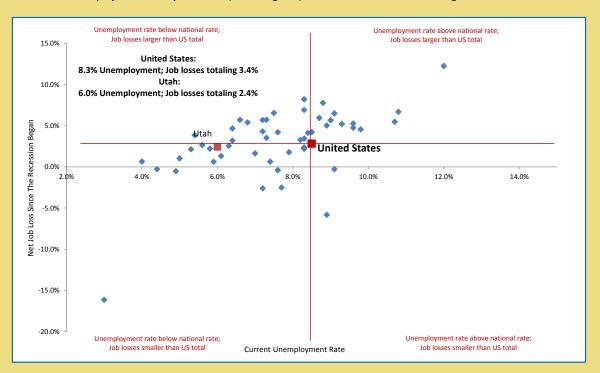
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# How Does Utah Compare To Other States?

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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 have unemployment rates job losses (or even gains) lower than the national average.



St	TATE QUICK F	ACTS	
		Utah	United States
Unemployment Rates	July 2009	7.8%	9.5%
	July 2010	8.0%	9.5%
	July 2011	6.8%	9.1%
	July 2012	6.0%	8.3%
Percent of Population Who Are Veterans	. 2011	8.4%	9.4%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	8.1%	8.3%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	12.6%	12.1%
Median Household Income	2007	\$ 56,289	\$ 52,823
(2010 \$)	2010	\$ 56,787	\$ 49,445
Poverty Rate	. 2007	9.6%	12.5%
	2010	10.0%	15.1%
No Health Insurance	2007	12.8%	15.3%
	2010	13.6%	16.3%

# **Economic Overview And Outlook: Vermont**

#### **JOBS**

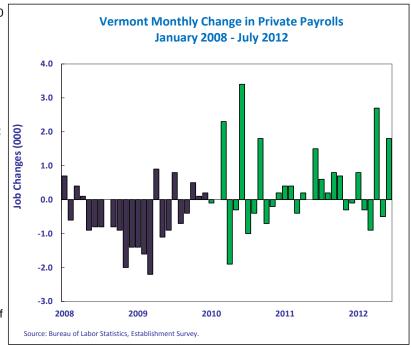
- Including July, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 29 consecutive months.
- In Vermont, private sector employment fell by 5.1 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 4.5 percent.
- In Vermont, employees in the construction, 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; 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 Vermont was 5.0 percent in July 2012, up 0.9 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 July 2012.
- In Vermont, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 4,160 during July, up 7.6 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 5,746 in March 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 27.6 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 1st quarter of 2012, total personal income is 0.7 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.



Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Vermont was \$37,260.60 in the 1st quarter of 2012, up from \$35,571.30 in the 1st quarter of 2010.

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 16.8 percent over 17 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2011 and the first quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 0.2 percent.
- In Vermont, home prices fell by 4.9 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 1.6 percent.
- As of the 2nd quarter of 2012, 3.9 percent of all mortgages, including 18.5 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Vermont.
- Housing starts in Vermont totaled 1,290 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in June 2012, a decrease of 3.0 percent from May.
- Within the Northeast census region, which includes Vermont, sales of new single-family homes totaled 16,000 units in June 2012, a decrease of 60.0 percent from May. Sales of existing single-family homes decreased 11.8 percent to 450,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from May to June 2012.

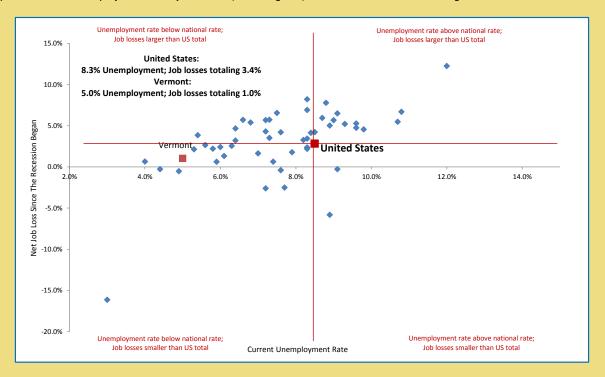
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# How Does Vermont Compare To Other States?

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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 have unemployment rates job losses (or even gains) lower than the national average.



St	ATE QUICK F	ACTS	
		Vermont	United States
Unemployment Rates	. July 2009	7.0%	9.5%
	July 2010	6.3%	9.5%
	July 2011	5.6%	9.1%
	July 2012	5.0%	8.3%
Percent of Population Who Are Veterans	. 2011	9.7%	9.4%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	4.7%	8.3%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	8.3%	12.1%
Median Household Income	2007	\$ 49,833	\$ 52,823
(2010 \$)	2010	\$ 55,942	\$ 49,445
Poverty Rate	. 2007	9.9%	12.5%
	2010	10.8%	15.1%
No Health Insurance	2007	11.2%	15.3%
	2010	9.5%	16.3%

# **Economic Overview And Outlook: Virginia**

#### Jobs

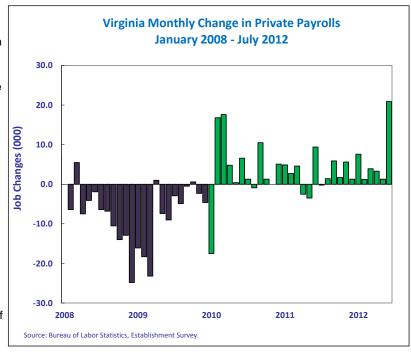
- Including July, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 29 consecutive months.
- In Virginia, private sector employment fell by 6.3 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 4.6 percent.
- In Virginia, employees in the construction, 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: mining; education and health 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 Virginia was 5.9 percent in July 2012, up 2.6 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 7.3 percent in January 2010.
- 254,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Virginia during July 2012.
- In Virginia, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 26,683 during July, down 5.2 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 53,105 in March 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 49.8 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 1st quarter of 2012, total personal income is 0.7 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.



Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Virginia was \$40,419.20 in the 1st quarter of 2012, up from \$39,380.10 in the 1st quarter of 2010.

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 16.8 percent over 17 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2011 and the first quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 0.2 percent.
- In Virginia, home prices fell by 15.1 percent over 16 quarters from their peak in the second quarter of 2007. Since the second quarter of 2011, home prices in Virginia have risen by 0.4 percent.
- As of the 2nd quarter of 2012, 1.7 percent of all mortgages, including 7.0 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Virginia.
- Housing starts in Virginia totaled 23,540 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in June 2012, a decrease of 5.7 percent from May.
- Within the South census region, which includes Virginia, sales of new single-family homes totaled 181,000 units in June 2012, a decrease of 8.6 percent from May. Sales of existing single-family homes decreased 4.4 percent to 1,520,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from May to June 2012.

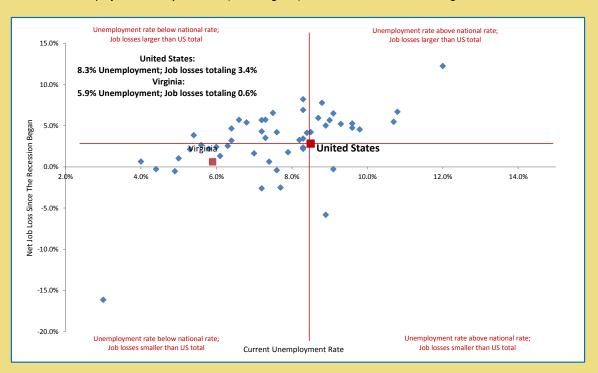
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# How Does Virginia Compare To Other States?

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 have unemployment rates job losses (or even gains) lower than the national average.



#### STATE QUICK FACTS **United States** Virginia 7.1% 9.5% July 2010 6.8% 9.5% July 2011 9 1% 6 4% July 2012 5.9% 8.3% Percent of Population Who Are Veterans ........... 2011 13.9% 9.4% All Veterans' Unemployment Rate ..... 2011 5 4% 8.3% Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate...... 12.1% 2011 6.2% \$ 62.211 \$ 52.823 Median Household Income ......2007 (2010 \$)2010 \$ 60,363 \$ 49,445 8.6% 12.5% 10.7% 15.1% No Health Insurance ......2007 14.8% 15.3% 14.1% 16.3%

# **Economic Overview And Outlook: Washington**

#### **JOBS**

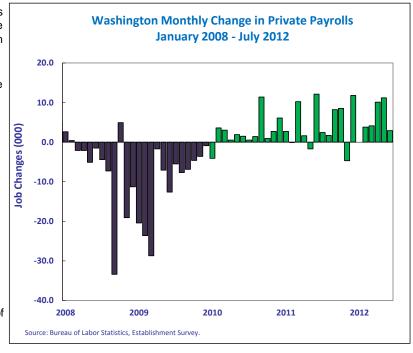
- Including July, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 29 consecutive months.
- In Washington, private sector employment fell by 8.5 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 5.3 percent.
- In Washington, employees in the mining, 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 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 Washington was 8.5 percent in July 2012, up 3.9 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 10.2 percent in March 2010.
- 298,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Washington during July 2012.
- In Washington, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 41,837 during July, down 3.7 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 70,917 in February 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 41.0 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 1st quarter of 2012, total personal income is 0.7 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.



Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Washington was \$39,224.70 in the 1st quarter of 2012, up from \$37,995.70 in the 1st quarter of 2010.

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 16.8 percent over 17 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2011 and the first quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 0.2 percent.
- In Washington, home prices have fallen by 22.8 percent over 17 quarters from their peak in the fourth quarter of 2007.
- As of the 2nd quarter of 2012, 2.7 percent of all mortgages, including 10.7 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Washington.
- Housing starts in Washington totaled 36,240 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in June 2012, an increase of 49.5 percent from May.
- Within the West census region, which includes Washington, sales of new single-family homes totaled 98,000 units in June 2012, an increase of 2.1 percent from May. Sales of existing single-family homes decreased 5.8 percent to 970,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from May to June 2012.

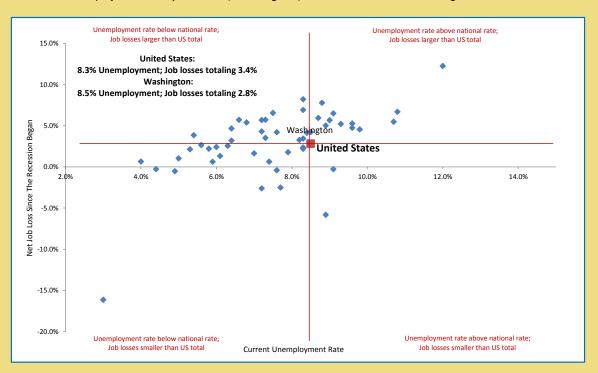
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# How Does Washington Compare To Other States?

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 have unemployment rates job losses (or even gains) lower than the national average.



	Washington	United States
Unemployment Rates July 2009	9.7%	9.5%
July 2010	9.8%	9.5%
July 2011	9.3%	9.1%
July 2012	8.5%	8.3%
Percent of Population Who Are Veterans 2011	12.5%	9.4%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate 2011	10.0%	8.3%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate 2011	13.9%	12.1%
Median Household Income2007	\$ 61,075	\$ 52,823
<b>(2010 \$)</b> 2010	\$ 56,253	\$ 49,445
Poverty Rate	10.2%	12.5%
2010	11.5%	15.1%
No Health Insurance2007	11.3%	15.3%
2010	13.8%	16.3%

# **Economic Overview And Outlook: West Virginia**

#### **JOBS**

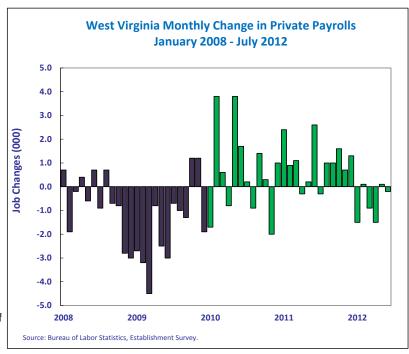
- Including July, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 29 consecutive months.
- In West Virginia, private sector employment fell by 4.8 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 3.0 percent.
- In West Virginia, employees in the 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: mining; construction; 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 West Virginia was 7.4 percent in July 2012, up 3.3 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 8.5 percent in November 2010.
- 59,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in West Virginia during July 2012.
- In West Virginia, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 8,204 during July, up 16.1 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 11,688 in April 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 1st quarter of 2012, total personal income is 0.7 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.



Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in West Virginia was \$29,654.80 in the 1st quarter of 2012, up from \$28,498.40 in the 1st quarter of 2010.

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 16.8 percent over 17 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2011 and the first quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 0.2 percent.
- In West Virginia, home prices fell by 6.2 percent over 13 quarters from their peak in the first quarter of 2008. Since the second quarter of 2011, home prices in West Virginia have risen by 1.2 percent.
- As of the 2nd quarter of 2012, 2.0 percent of all mortgages, including 6.4 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in West Virginia.
- Housing starts in West Virginia totaled 1,720 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in June 2012, a decrease of 15.7 percent from May.
- Within the South census region, which includes West Virginia, sales of new single-family homes totaled 181,000 units in June 2012, a decrease of 8.6 percent from May. Sales of existing single-family homes decreased 4.4 percent to 1,520,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from May to June 2012.

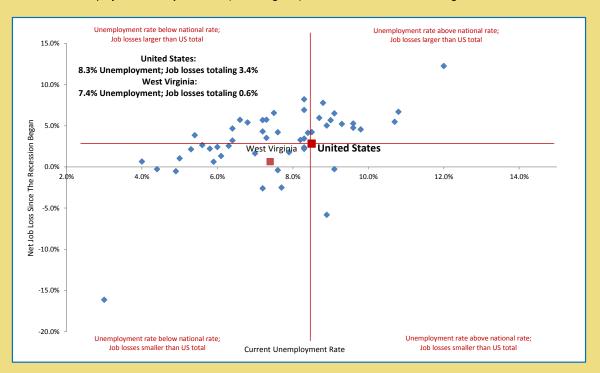
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# How Does West Virginia Compare To Other States?

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 West 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 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 have unemployment rates job losses (or even gains) lower than the national average.



		West Virginia	United States		
Unemployment Rates	. July 2009	8.2%	9.5%		
	July 2010	8.4%	9.5%		
	July 2011	8.1%	9.1%		
	July 2012	7.4%	8.3%		
Percent of Population Who Are Veterans	. 2011	11.6%	9.4%		
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	7.7%	8.3%		
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	8.9%	12.1%		
Median Household Income	2007	\$ 44,261	\$ 52,823		
(2010 \$)	2010	\$ 42,839	\$ 49,445		
Poverty Rate	. 2007	14.8%	12.5%		
	2010	16.9%	15.1%		
No Health Insurance	2007	14.1%	15.3%		
	2010	13.5%	16.3%		

# **Economic Overview And Outlook: Wisconsin**

#### **JOBS**

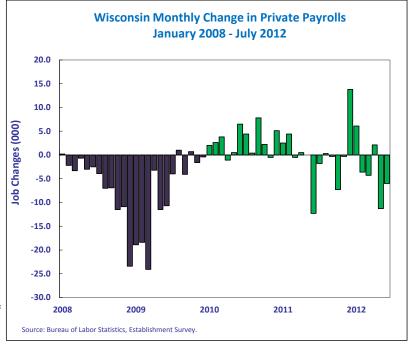
- Including July, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 29 consecutive months.
- In Wisconsin, private sector employment fell by 6.8 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 0.6 percent.
- In Wisconsin, employees in the construction, 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 7.3 percent in July 2012, up 2.8 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 9.2 percent in January 2010.
- 224,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Wisconsin during July 2012.
- In Wisconsin, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 48,956 during July, down 6.4 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 115,191 in May 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 57.5 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 1st quarter of 2012, total personal income is 0.7 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.



Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Wisconsin was \$35,021.40 in the 1st quarter of 2012, up from \$33,870.90 in the 1st quarter of 2010.

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 16.8 percent over 17 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2011 and the first quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 0.2 percent.
- In Wisconsin, home prices fell by 9.6 percent over 13 quarters from their peak in the first quarter of 2008. Since the second quarter of 2011, home prices in Wisconsin have risen by 0.4 percent.
- As of the 2nd quarter of 2012, 3.2 percent of all mortgages, including 13.4 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Wisconsin.
- Housing starts in Wisconsin totaled 8,270 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in June 2012, a decrease of 34.4 percent from May.
- Within the Midwest census region, which includes Wisconsin, sales of new single-family homes totaled 55,000 units in June 2012, an increase of 14.6 percent from May. Sales of existing single-family homes decreased 2.0 percent to 960,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from May to June 2012.

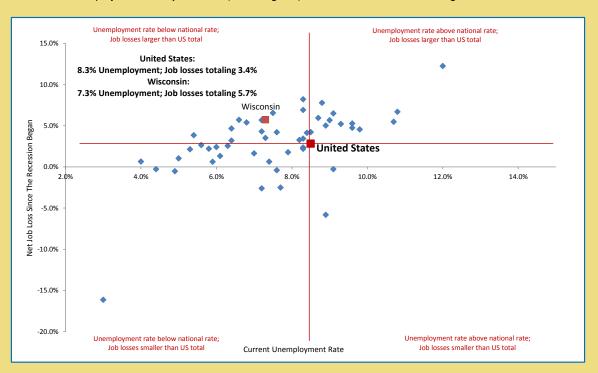
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# How Does Wisconsin Compare To Other States?

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 Wisconsin 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 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 have unemployment rates job losses (or even gains) lower than the national average.



		Wisconsin	United States
Unemployment Rates	. July 2009	9.2%	9.5%
	July 2010	8.3%	9.5%
	July 2011	7.6%	9.1%
	July 2012	7.3%	8.3%
Percent of Population Who Are Veterans	. 2011	10.1%	9.4%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	8.9%	8.3%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	9.7%	12.1%
Median Household Income	. 2007	\$ 53,921	\$ 52,823
(2010 \$)	2010	\$ 50,522	\$ 49,445
Poverty Rate	. 2007	11.0%	12.5%
	2010	9.9%	15.1%
No Health Insurance	2007	8.2%	15.3%
	2010	9.4%	16.3%

# **Economic Overview And Outlook: Wyoming**

#### Jobs

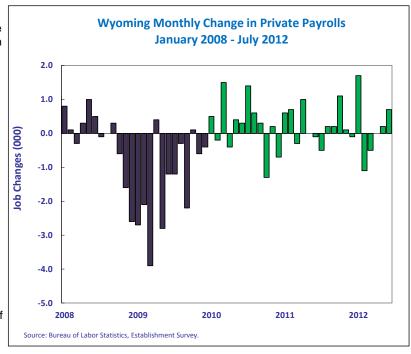
- Including July, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 29 consecutive months.
- In Wyoming, private sector employment fell by 8.2 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 2.9 percent.
- In Wyoming, employees in the construction, 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; 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 Wyoming was 5.6 percent in July 2012, up 3.0 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 7.5 percent in January 2010.
- 17,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Wyoming during July 2012.
- In Wyoming, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 2,507 during July, up 3.3 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 4,585 in March 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 45.3 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 1st quarter of 2012, total personal income is 0.7 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.



Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Wyoming was \$42,183.20 in the 1st quarter of 2012, up from \$39,579.40 in the 1st quarter of 2010.

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 16.8 percent over 17 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2011 and the first quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 0.2 percent.
- In Wyoming, home prices fell by 6.8 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 1.6 percent.
- As of the 2nd quarter of 2012, 0.8 percent of all mortgages, including 5.1 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Wyoming.
- Housing starts in Wyoming totaled 1,920 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in June 2012, an increase of 12.3 percent from May.
- Within the West census region, which includes Wyoming, sales of new single-family homes totaled 98,000 units in June 2012, an increase of 2.1 percent from May. Sales of existing single-family homes decreased 5.8 percent to 970,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from May to June 2012.

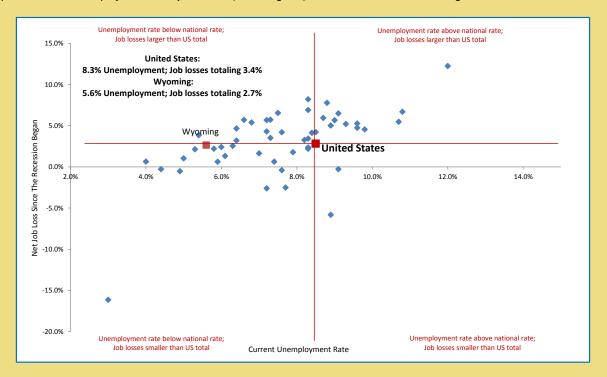
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# How Does Wyoming Compare To Other States?

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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 have unemployment rates job losses (or even gains) lower than the national average.



#### STATE QUICK FACTS Wyoming **United States** 6.8% 9.5% July 2010 7.0% 9.5% July 2011 6.0% 9 1% July 2012 5.6% 8.3% Percent of Population Who Are Veterans ........... 2011 13.6% 9.4% All Veterans' Unemployment Rate ..... 2011 4 6% 8.3% Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate...... 4.3% 12.1% 2011 \$ 51.257 \$ 52.823 Median Household Income ......2007 (2010 \$)2010 \$ 52,359 \$ 49,445 10.9% 12.5% 9.6% 15.1% No Health Insurance ......2007 13.6% 15.3% 17.3% 16.3%

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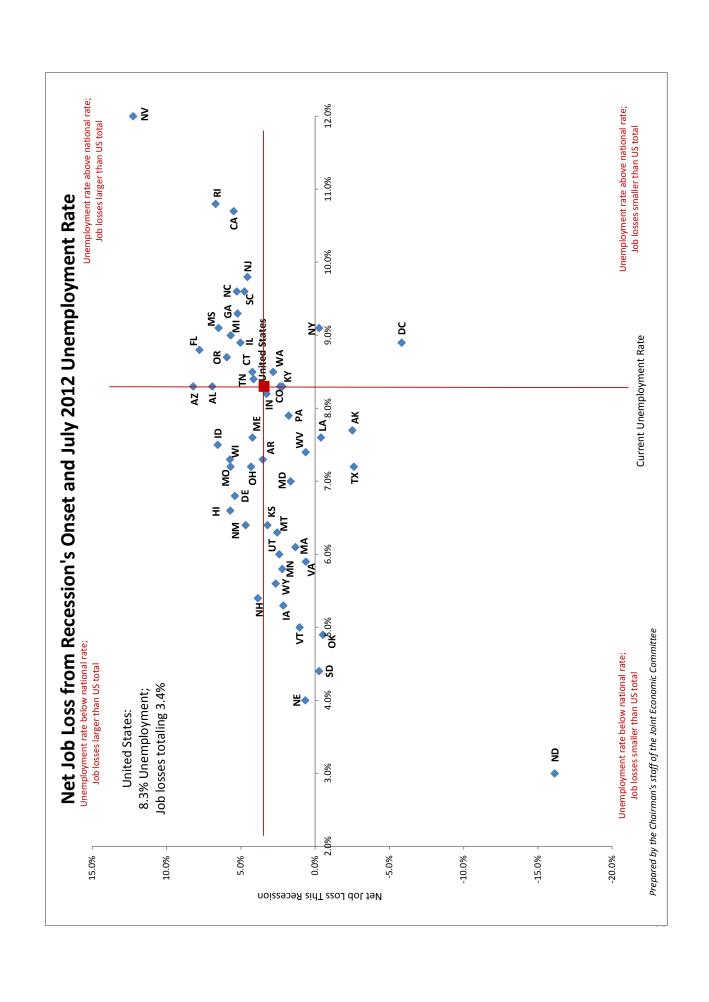
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# **EXPLANATION OF NET JOB LOSS AND UNEMPLOYMENT RATE CHART**

The chart on the following page shows a comparison of the current (July 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 experienced net job losses greater than the national average but have a current unemployment rate lower than the national average and those states located in the lower right quadrant have experienced 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 July 2009, forty-eight states saw declines in payroll employment. Only Alaska, North Dakota, and the District of Columbia saw their payrolls increase during this period. Job growth has resumed in most states in the last two years of the recovery; forty-four states and the District of Columbia experienced net job gains from July 2010 to July 2012. Five states – Louisiana, New York, Oklahoma, South Dakota, and Texas – have recovered all the jobs that were lost during the recession.



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

	Number of Veterans in the Labor Force	Overall Veterans' Unemployment Rate	Number of Post-9/11 Veterans in the Labor Force	Number of Unemployed Post-9/11 Veterans	Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate
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	4,000	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%

<sup>&</sup>quot;-" 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.

Source: Joint Economic Committee Chairman's Staff based on data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

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<u>Note</u>: Most of the data used to create each state-by-state snapshot was accessed through Haver Analytics.