

Washington Employment Situation Summary

National Employment Data

- The U.S. economy added 339,000 jobs in May, and the United States has seen 28 consecutive months of job growth under President Biden.
- Since President Biden came into office, the United States has added 13.1 million jobs, and at 3.7%, the unemployment remains near historic lows.
- In May, the unemployment rate was 5.6% for Black workers, 4.0% for Hispanic workers, 3.3% for white workers, 2.9% for Asian workers, and 5.1% (not seasonally adjusted) for American Indian and Alaska Native workers.

State Employment Data

- Since President Biden took office, 369,500 jobs have been created in Washington.
- In the month of May, 2,900 jobs were created in Washington.

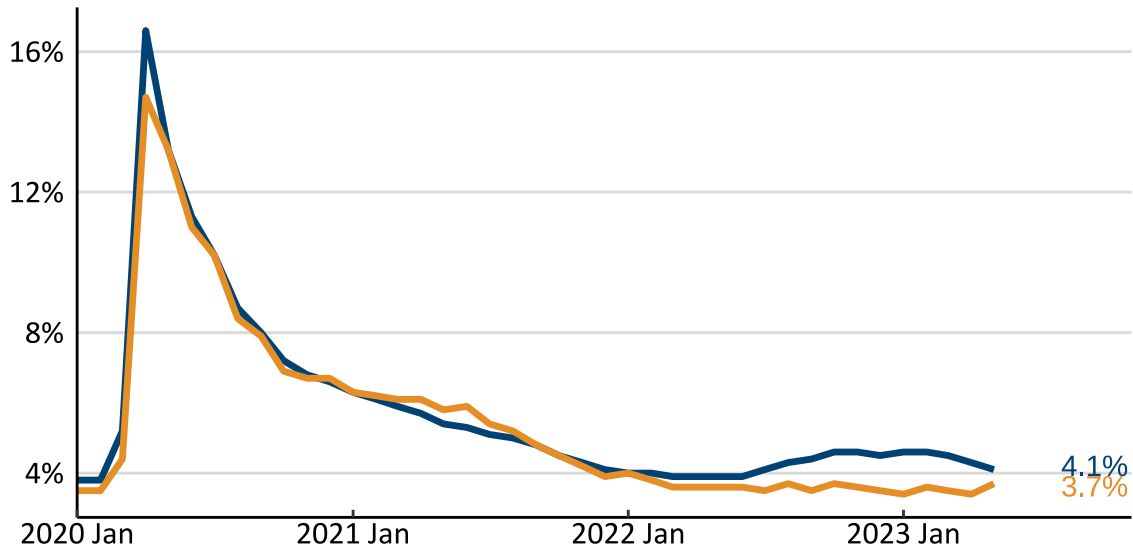
Sector	Change in Total Jobs in May	Jobs Recovered	Change in Total Jobs Since January 2021
Total Nonfarm	2,900	127%	369,500
Education and Health Services	4,200	169%	46,400
Manufacturing	2,300	57%	18,800
Retail Trade	1,100	107%	3,900
Construction	700	141%	18,200
Government	-600	67%	31,600
Professional and Business Services	-2,100	308%	73,000
Leisure and Hospitality	-2,300	94%	110,300

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

Note: Positive change reflects net job creation. "Recovered" refers to the share of jobs recovered since the pandemic low point as a share of jobs lost during the pandemic. Jobs lost during the pandemic are measured as the difference between the number of jobs in the industry in February 2020 and the number at the "low point" of the pandemic—the month with the fewest people employed in a given industry. The month of the low point varies by industry.

Washington Unemployment Rate

State and national unemployment rates, since January 2020



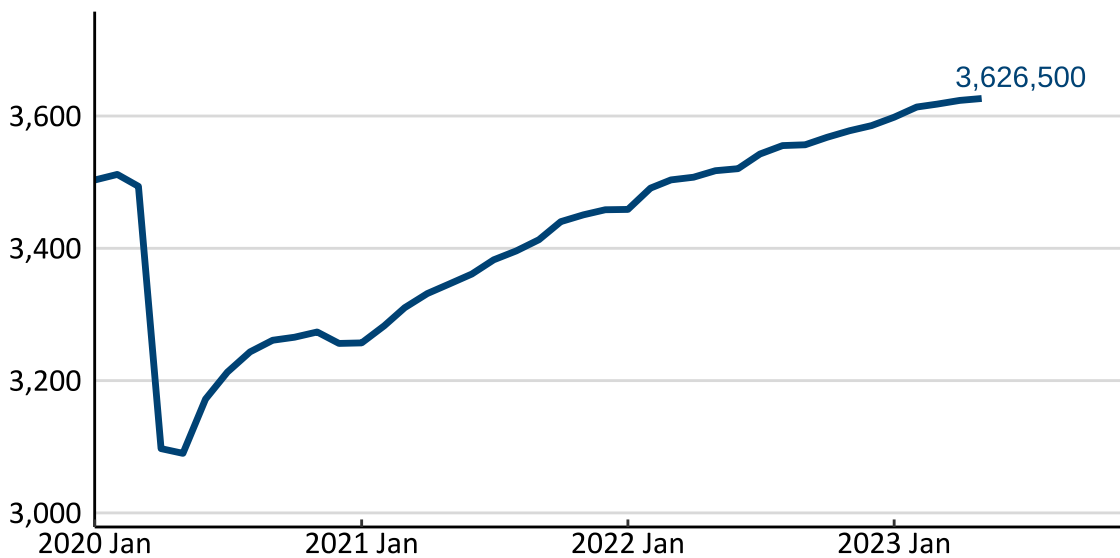
Seasonally Adjusted

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics



Washington Jobs Recovery

Total employment since January 2020, in thousands



Nonfarm Payroll Employment, Seasonally Adjusted

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

