

## Puerto Rico Employment Situation Summary

#### National Employment Data

- The U.S. economy added 253,000 jobs in April, and the United States has seen 27 consecutive months of job growth under President Biden.
- Since President Biden came into office, the United States has added 12.7 million jobs, and at 3.4%, the unemployment remains near 50-year lows.
- In April, the unemployment rate was a record-low 4.7% for Black workers, 4.4% for Hispanic workers, 3.1% for white workers, 2.8% for Asian workers, and 7.5% (not seasonally adjusted) for American Indian and Alaska Native workers

#### State Employment Data

- Since President Biden took office, 99,500 jobs have been created in Puerto Rico.
- In the month of April, 4,800 jobs were created in Puerto Rico.

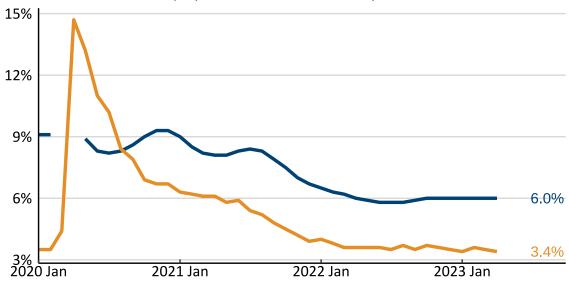
Sector	Change in Total Jobs in April	Jobs Recovered	Change in Total Jobs Since January 2021
Total Nonfarm	4,800	160%	99,500
Professional and Business Services	2,700	235%	22,700
Construction	800	215%	8,000
Leisure and Hospitality	700	139%	22,500
Education and Health Services	400	146%	12,500
Retail Trade	300	123%	8,600
Government	100	107%	2,700
Manufacturing	-300	193%	7,300

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.

# **Puerto Rico Unemployment Rate**

State and national unemployment rates, since January 2020

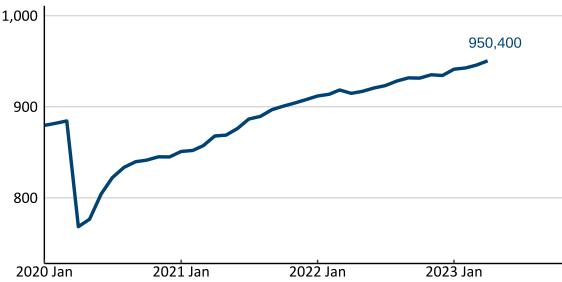


Seasonally Adjusted, Spring 2020 Data Unavaliable Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

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### **Puerto Rico Jobs Recovery**

Total employment since January 2020, in thousands



Nonfarm Payroll Employment, Seasonally Adjusted

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics