

Iowa 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, 69,200 jobs have been created in Iowa.
- In the month of April, 300 jobs were lost in Iowa.

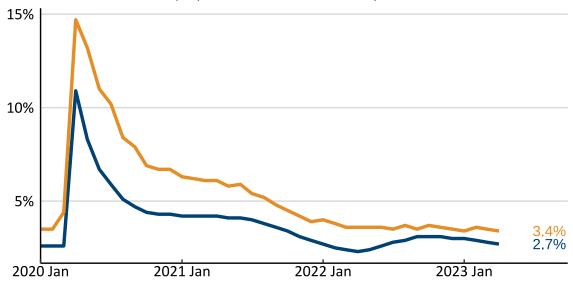
Sector	Change in Total Jobs in April	Jobs Recovered	Change in Total Jobs Since January 2021
Total Nonfarm	-300	102%	69,200
Manufacturing	1,400	133%	10,900
Education and Health Services	800	100%	9,800
Retail Trade	800	112%	3,900
Government	600	90%	10,700
Construction	-400	196%	6,500
Leisure and Hospitality	-900	92%	19,000
Professional and Business Services	-1,600	148%	5,100

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.

Iowa Unemployment Rate

State and national unemployment rates, since January 2020



Seasonally Adjusted

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics



Iowa Jobs Recovery

Total employment since January 2020, in thousands



Nonfarm Payroll Employment, Seasonally Adjusted

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics