

Maine Employment Situation Summary

National Employment Data

- Since President Biden took office, 4,817,000 jobs have been created nationwide, an average of 602,000 created each month.
- In the month of September, the latest for which national data are available, 194,000 jobs were created, and the unemployment rate dropped to 4.8%, outperforming expectations and reaching a new pandemic-era low.
- The unemployment rate went down for adult men (4.7%), adult women (4.2%), white workers (4.2%) and Black workers (7.9%). The unemployment rate among Asian workers (4.2%) and Hispanic workers (6.3%) remained stable.

State Employment Data

- Since President Biden took office, 8,900 jobs have been created in Maine.
- In the month of September, the latest for which state-level data are available, 3,000 jobs were lost in Maine.

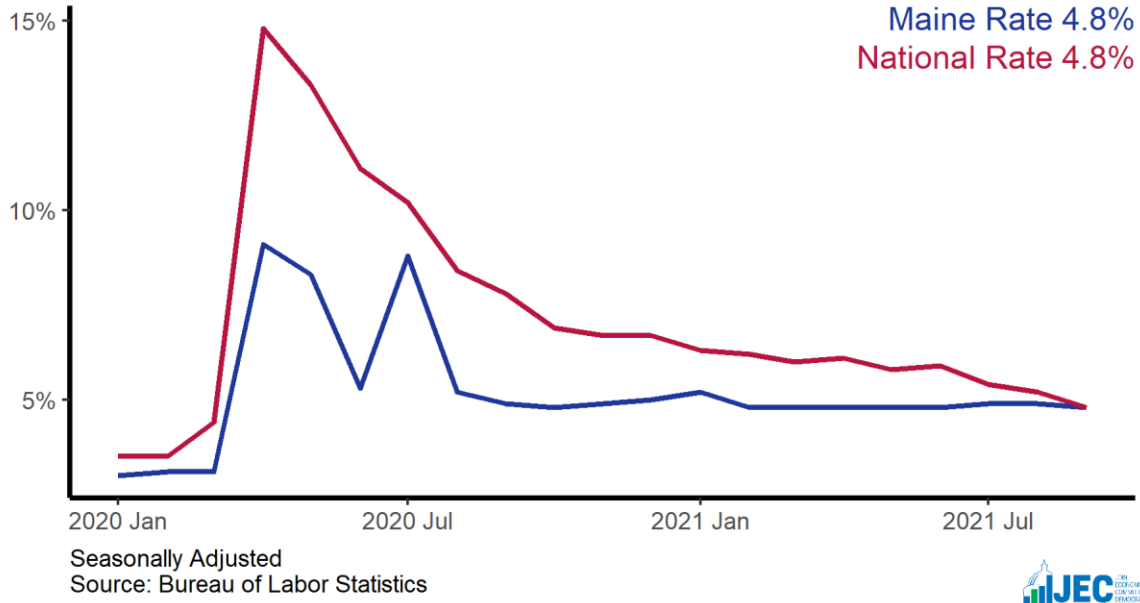
Sector	Change in Total Jobs in September	Jobs Recovered	Change in Total Jobs Since January
Total Nonfarm, Maine	-3,000	70%	8,900
Construction, Maine	600	78%	-400
Retail Trade, Maine	-100	92%	1,400
Professional and Business Services, Maine	-500	98%	900
Leisure and Hospitality, Maine	-500	62%	2,500
Government, Maine	-500	36%	400
Manufacturing, Maine	-600	88%	200
Education and Health Services, Maine	-1,100	70%	1,300

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.

Maine Unemployment Rate

State and national unemployment rates, since January 2020



Maine Jobs Recovery

Total employment since January 2020, in thousands

