

## West Virginia Employment Situation Summary

### National Employment Data

- Since President Biden took office, 5,875,000 jobs have been created nationwide, an average of 588,000 created each month.
- In the month of November, the latest for which national data are available, 210,000 jobs were created, and the unemployment rate dropped to 4.2%, outperforming expectations and reaching a new pandemic-era low.
- The unemployment rate went down for adult men (4.0%), adult women (4.0%), white workers (3.7%), Asian workers (3.8%), Hispanic workers (5.2%) and Black workers (6.7%).

### State Employment Data

- Since President Biden took office, 16,600 jobs have been created in West Virginia.
- In the month of November, the latest for which state-level data are available, 600 jobs were created in West Virginia.

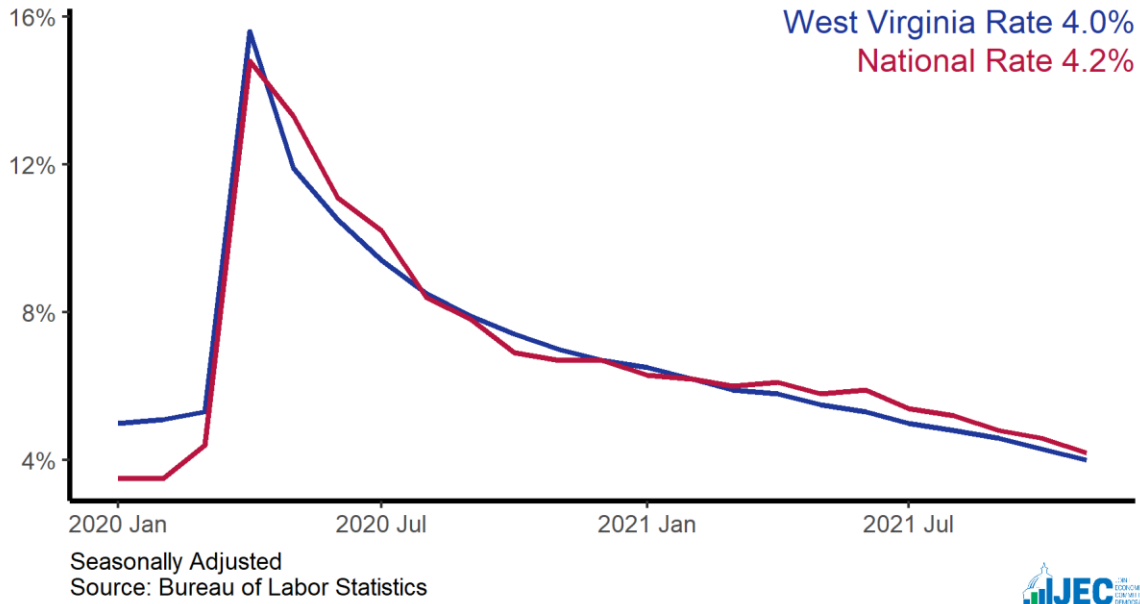
Sector	Change in Total Jobs in November	Jobs Recovered	Change in Total Jobs Since January
<b>Total Nonfarm, West Virginia</b>	<b>600</b>	<b>74%</b>	<b>16,600</b>
Retail Trade, West Virginia	600	103%	1,800
Professional and Business Services, West Virginia	500	75%	900
Manufacturing, West Virginia	400	78%	1,600
Leisure and Hospitality, West Virginia	200	84%	6,600
Construction, West Virginia	-200	77%	1,400
Government, West Virginia	-300	55%	2,500
Education and Health Services, West Virginia	-400	51%	-1,400

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.

# West Virginia Unemployment Rate

State and national unemployment rates, since January 2020



# West Virginia Jobs Recovery

Total employment since January 2020, in thousands

