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Connecticut

Employment Report



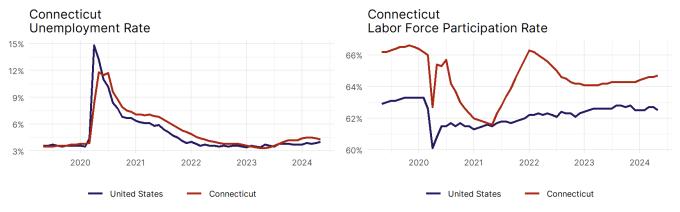
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United States Employment Snapshot

- In May, among the 50 states and the District of Columbia unemployment fell in 13, rose in 17, and remained unchanged in 21.
- The highest unemployment rate was 5.3 percent in **District of Columbia**, and the lowest was 2 percent in **North Dakota and South Dakota**. Nationally, the unemployment rate rose by 0.1 percentage point to 4 percent.
- In May, payroll jobs rose in 42 states and fell in 9. The largest payroll job percent increase was 0.9 percent in Idaho. The largest payroll job percent decline was 0.3 percent in Minnesota.

Connecticut Employment Snapshot

- In May, Connecticut added 4,700 net payroll jobs and the unemployment rate fell by 0.1 percentage point to 4.3 percent. In the prior month, Connecticut added 1,600 net payroll jobs.
- Over the past 12 months, Connecticut added 18,000 net payroll jobs and the unemployment rate rose by 1
 percentage points from 3.3 percent.
- Nationally, nonfarm payrolls **rose by 272,000 in May, or 0.2 percent.** Connecticut **is tied for 38th** in the nation for percentage gain in nonfarm payroll employment over the past 12 months.
- In May, **Connecticut's private sector added 4,200 net private payroll jobs**, and over the past 12 months it added 15,600 private payroll jobs. In the prior month, Connecticut added 700 net private payroll jobs.
- In May, employment in Connecticut rose by 5,091, and over the past 12 months it rose by 6,140.
- Connecticut's labor force participation rate rose to 64.7 percent in May from 64.6 percent and ranks 19th in the
 nation. In the past 12 months, the labor force participation rate has risen by 0.5 percentage points.



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