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## **Delaware**

**Employment Report** 



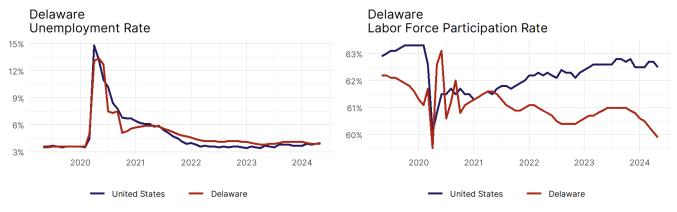
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## **United States** Employment Snapshot

- 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**.

## **Delaware** Employment Snapshot

- In May, **Delaware lost 800 net payroll jobs** and the **unemployment rate remained unchanged at 3.9 percent**. In the prior month, Delaware added 1,700 net payroll jobs.
- Over the past 12 months, Delaware added 5,900 net payroll jobs and the unemployment rate rose by 0.1
  percentage point from 3.8 percent.
- Nationally, nonfarm payrolls **rose by 272,000 in May, or 0.2 percent.** Delaware **is tied for 34th** in the nation for percentage gain in nonfarm payroll employment over the past 12 months.
- In May, **Delaware's private sector lost 500 net private payroll jobs**, and over the past 12 months it added 3,600 private payroll jobs. In the prior month, Delaware added 1,600 net private payroll jobs.
- In May, employment in Delaware fell by 809, and over the past 12 months it fell by 613.
- **Delaware's labor force participation rate fell to 59.9 percent** in May from 60.1 percent and **ranks 39th** in the nation. In the past 12 months, the labor force participation rate has fallen by 1 percentage point.



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