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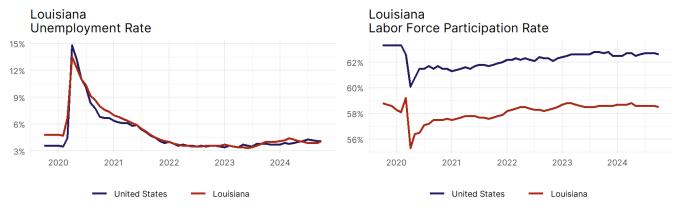
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United States Employment Snapshot

- In October, among the 50 states and the District of Columbia unemployment fell in 8, rose in 22, and remained unchanged in 21.
- The highest unemployment rate was 5.7 percent in **District of Columbia and Nevada**, and the lowest was 1.9 percent in **South Dakota**. Nationally, the unemployment rate remained unchanged in October.
- In October, **payroll jobs rose in 21 states and fell in 30.** The largest payroll job percent increase was 0.4 percent in **Idaho**. The largest payroll job percent decline was 1 percent in **Washington**.

Louisiana Employment Snapshot

- In October, Louisiana added 7,700 net payroll jobs and the unemployment rate rose by 0.2 percentage point to 4.1 percent. In the prior month, Louisiana lost 3,200 net payroll jobs.
- Over the past 12 months, Louisiana added 9,500 net payroll jobs and the unemployment rate rose by 0.1
 percentage point from 4 percent.
- Nationally, nonfarm payrolls **rose by 12,000 in October, or 0 percent.** Louisiana **is tied for 47th** in the nation for percentage gain in nonfarm payroll employment over the past 12 months.
- In October, **Louisiana's private sector added 7,100 net private payroll jobs**, and over the past 12 months it added 3,900 private payroll jobs. In the prior month, Louisiana lost 4,600 net private payroll jobs.
- In October, employment in Louisiana fell by 5,813, and over the past 12 months it fell by 6,413.
- Louisiana's labor force participation rate fell to 58.5 percent in October from 58.6 percent and ranks 43rd in the nation. In the past 12 months, the labor force participation rate has fallen by 0.1 percentage points.



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