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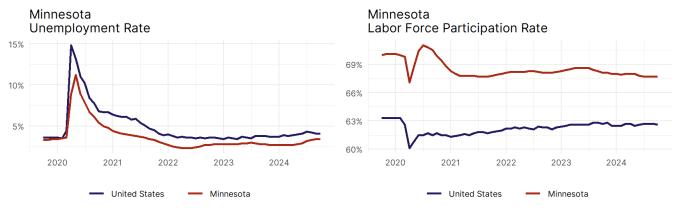
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United States Employment Snapshot

- 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**.

Minnesota Employment Snapshot

- In October, Minnesota lost 1,000 net payroll jobs and the unemployment rate remained unchanged at 3.4 percent. In the prior month, Minnesota added 7,400 net payroll jobs.
- Over the past 12 months, Minnesota added 34,600 net payroll jobs and the unemployment rate rose by 0.6 percentage points from 2.8 percent.
- Nationally, nonfarm payrolls **rose by 12,000 in October, or 0 percent.** Minnesota **is tied for 30th** in the nation for percentage gain in nonfarm payroll employment over the past 12 months.
- In October, **Minnesota's private sector lost 300 net private payroll jobs**, and over the past 12 months it added 16,200 private payroll jobs. In the prior month, Minnesota added 3,600 net private payroll jobs.
- In October, employment in Minnesota rose by 2,750, and over the past 12 months it fell by 19,588.
- Minnesota's labor force participation rate remained steady at 67.7 percent in October and ranks 6th in the nation. In the past 12 months, the labor force participation rate has fallen by 0.4 percentage points.



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