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## **Tennessee**

**Employment Update** 



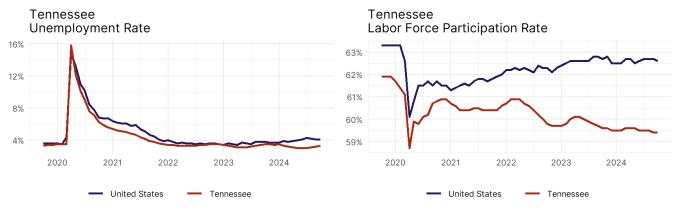
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## **United States** Employment Snapshot

- 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**.

## **Tennessee** Employment Snapshot

- In October, Tennessee added 2,600 net payroll jobs and the unemployment rate rose by 0.1 percentage point to
   3.3 percent. In the prior month, Tennessee added 4,900 net payroll jobs.
- Over the past 12 months, Tennessee added 45,200 net payroll jobs and the unemployment rate fell by 0.2
  percentage points from 3.5 percent.
- Nationally, nonfarm payrolls **rose by 12,000 in October, or 0 percent.** Tennessee **is tied for 23rd** in the nation for percentage gain in nonfarm payroll employment over the past 12 months.
- In October, **Tennessee's private sector added 1,300 net private payroll jobs**, and over the past 12 months it added 40,300 private payroll jobs. In the prior month, Tennessee added 3,600 net private payroll jobs.
- In October, employment in Tennessee fell by 2,161, and over the past 12 months it rose by 35,513.
- Tennessee's labor force participation rate remained steady at 59.4 percent in October and ranks 41st in the nation. In the past 12 months, the labor force participation rate has fallen by 0.2 percentage points.



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