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Workforce Services





The *Arkansas Labor Market* is prepared monthly in conjunction with the U.S. Depart- ment of Labor, Bu- reau of Labor Statis- tics (BLS). The current month’s estimates are preliminary, while pre- vious month’s data is subject to revision.

Estimates of nonfarm payroll jobs show the number of jobs by industry and reflect employment by place of work. Hours and earnings estimates are based on payroll and worker-hour data col- lected for production workers in manufactur- ing industries.

Industries are classi- fied according to the North American In- dustry Classification System (NAICS). All estimates are based on a first quarter 2022 benchmark.

#### Explanation of Terms and Concepts

**Monthly Business Survey of Employers**

A monthly sample sur- vey designed to pro- vide industry infor- mation on nonfarm payroll jobs. Data are compiled each month from mail surveys and telephone interviews conducted by the Bu- reau of Labor Statistics in cooperation with Department of Work- force Services. The data are based on establish- ment records and in- clude all workers, full- or part-time, who re- ceived pay during the payroll period which includes the 12th of the month. Approximately

5,000 Arkansas busi- ness establishments are surveyed.

#### Metropolitan Statistical Areas

A term applied by the

U.S. Office of Manage- ment and Budget to counties that have one or more central cities and that meet specified criteria of population density, commuting patterns and social and economic integration.

#### Current Population

**Survey (CPS)**

A monthly sample sur- vey of the population 16 years of age and over, designed to pro- vide data on the labor force, the employed and the unemployed. The survey is conduct- ed each month by the Bureau of the Census for BLS. The informa- tion is collected by trained interviewers from a sample of about 60,000 households. The data collected are based on the activity reported for the cal- endar week including the 12th of the month. Approximately 1,000 Arkansas households are represented in the sample survey.

#### Civilian Labor Force

The sum of all em- ployed and unem- ployed persons 16 years of age or older. Members of the Armed Forces are excluded.

#### Employment

An estimate of the number of persons who worked any time

for pay or profit or worked 15 hours or more as unpaid work- ers in a family business during the calendar week which includes the 12th of the month. Also included are those who, although not working, had some job attachment and were not looking for work, and persons involved in labor management disputes.

#### Unemployment

An estimate of the number of persons who did not have a job, but were available for work and actively seek- ing work during the calendar week which includes the 12th of the month.

#### Unemployment Rate

The number of unem- ployed as a percentage of the civilian labor force. Unemployment rates are calculated from unrounded data.

#### Seasonal Adjustment

A statistical technique applied to monthly data to eliminate changes that normally occur during the year due to seasonal events such as weather, ma- jor holidays, schedule shifts, harvest times, and the opening/clos- ing of schools.

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**June Spotlight**

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# Alternative Measures of Labor Underutilization

In addition to the unemployment rate, the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) also calculates five additional es- timates based on various definitions of ‘unemployment’. These are known as Alternative Measures of Labor Underutilization and are referred to as U1-U6, with U-3 as the official unemployment rate. These measures are calculated using data from the Current Population Survey (CPS), a monthly survey conducted by the U.S. Census Bureau. Approximately 1,000 Arkansas households are in the survey each month.

Alternative Measures of Labor Underutilization are available at the statewide level and are produced quarterly. Estimates are calculated using a four quar- ter moving average. The most recent data available

**Alternative Measures of Labor Underutilization**

State of Arkansas

3rd Quarter 2022 - 2nd Quarter 2023 (Average)

**U-1 U-2 U-3 U-4 U-5 U-6**

0.9% 1.4% 3.3% 3.4% 4.1% 6.0%

is for 2nd Quarter 2023.

The following definitions are used to calculate each measure of Labor Underutilization:

* 1. **Measure:** Persons unemployed for 15 weeks or longer, as a percent of the civilian labor force.
  2. **Measure:** Job losers and persons who completed temporary jobs, as a percent of the civilian labor force. **U-3 Measure:** Total number of unemployed persons, as a percent of the civilian labor force (this is the definition used for the official unemployment rate).
  3. **Measure:** Total number of unemployed and discouraged workers, as a percent of the civilian labor force plus discouraged workers.
  4. **Measure:** Total number of unemployed, discouraged workers, and all other marginally attached workers, as a percent of the civilian labor force plus marginally attached workers.
  5. **Measure:** Total number of unemployed, discouraged workers, marginally attached workers, and those em- ployed part-time for economic reasons (not by choice), as a percent of the civilian labor force plus marginally attached workers.

#### Alternative Measures of Labor Underutilization

State of Arkansas

Three-Year Comparison of 2nd Quarter

10.0%

9.0%



8.0%

7.0%

6.0%

5.0%

4.0%

3.0%

2.0%

1.0%

0.0%

U-4 U-5 U-6 2nd Q 2021 2nd Q 2022 2nd Q 2023



**State of Arkansas**

**June**

# Civilian Labor Force Summary

The Arkansas Division of Workforce Services, in conjunction with the Bureau of Labor Statistics, an- nounced Arkansas’ seasonally adjusted unemployment rate decreased one-tenth of a percentage point, from 2.7% in May to 2.6% in June. This sets another record low unemployment rate for the State. At 3.6%, the United States’ jobless rate also declined one-tenth of a percentage point over the month.

In June, the civilian labor force in Arkansas increased by 2,903, breaking last month’s record high. Em- ployment rose by 4,221 to a new high of 1,347,866, while unemployment decreased to a new low of 35,815. Arkansas’ unemployment rate declined to 2.6% as the labor force participation rate inched up to 57.6%.

Compared to June 2022, there are 21,415 more employed and 8,562 fewer unemployed Arkansans. The unemployment rate is down six-tenths of a percentage point over the year and the labor force partici- pation rate is now just one-tenth of a percentage point lower than last June.

### Civilian Labor Force Estimates

Seasonally Adjusted

Not Seasonally Adjusted

Employment 1,347,866 1,343,645 1,326,451 Employment 1,362,367 1,349,823 1,335,009

Unemployment 35,815 37,133 44,377 Unemployment 42,586 34,576 51,956

Unemployment Rate 2.6% 2.7% 3.2% Unemployment Rate 3.0% 2.5% 3.7%

LF Participation Rate 57.6% 57.5% 57.7% LF Participation Rate 58.5% 57.7% 58.3%

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **Jun 23** | **May 23** | **Jun 22** |  | **Jun 23** | **May 23** | **Jun 22** |
| Civilian Labor Force | 1,383,681 | 1,380,778 | 1,370,828 | Civilian Labor Force | 1,404,953 | 1,384,399 | 1,386,965 |

#### Employment (Seasonally Adjusted)

January 2021 - June 2023

1,360,000

1,340,000

1,320,000

1,300,000

1,280,000

1,260,000

1,240,000

1,220,000

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2021 2022 2023

**State of Arkansas**

**June**

# Nonfarm Payroll Jobs

**Not Seasonally Adjusted**

(In Thousands)

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **(NAICS)** | **Jun 23** | **May 22** | **Jun 22** | **OTM** | **OTY** |
| Total Nonfarm | 1366.6 | 1368.4 | 1324.6 | -1.8 | 42.0 |
| Goods Producing | 235.1 | 232.1 | 225.6 | 3.0 | 9.5 |
| Mining, Logging, & Construction | 69.3 | 67.5 | 62.9 | 1.8 | 6.4 |
| **Mining & Logging** | **4.9** | **5.0** | **5.2** | **-0.1** | **-0.3** |
| **Construction** | **64.4** | **62.5** | **57.7** | **1.9** | **6.7** |
| Specialty Trade Contractors | 39.5 | 38.6 | 36.3 | 0.9 | 3.2 |
| **Manufacturing** | **165.8** | **164.6** | **162.7** | **1.2** | **3.1** |
| Durable Goods | 81.2 | 80.1 | 79.2 | 1.1 | 2.0 |
| Nondurable Goods | 84.6 | 84.5 | 83.5 | 0.1 | 1.1 |
| Service Providing | 1131.5 | 1136.3 | 1099.0 | -4.8 | 32.5 |
| **Trade, Transportation & Utilities** | **273.8** | **272.8** | **266.3** | **1.0** | **7.5** |
| Wholesale Trade | 54.6 | 53.7 | 50.4 | 0.9 | 4.2 |
| Retail Trade | 143.7 | 143.2 | 142.9 | 0.5 | 0.8 |
| Transport, Warehousing & Utilities | 75.5 | 75.9 | 73.0 | -0.4 | 2.5 |
| **Information** | **12.3** | **12.4** | **12.8** | **-0.1** | **-0.5** |
| **Financial Activities** | **71.6** | **70.9** | **70.6** | **0.7** | **1.0** |
| Finance & Insurance | 56.8 | 56.3 | 55.8 | 0.5 | 1.0 |
| Real Estate & Rental & Leasing | 14.8 | 14.6 | 14.8 | 0.2 | 0.0 |
| **Professional & Business Services** | **150.5** | **153.2** | **153.2** | **-2.7** | **-2.7** |
| Professional, Scientific & Technical | 48.7 | 49.3 | 47.3 | -0.6 | 1.4 |
| Management of Companies | 39.1 | 40.1 | 37.7 | -1.0 | 1.4 |
| Administrative & Support Services | 62.7 | 63.8 | 68.2 | -1.1 | -5.5 |
| **Private Education & Health Services** | **206.0** | **204.6** | **194.9** | **1.4** | **11.1** |
| Private Educational Services | 16.9 | 18.4 | 14.3 | -1.5 | 2.6 |
| Health Care & Social Assistance | 189.1 | 186.2 | 180.6 | 2.9 | 8.5 |
| Ambulatory Health Care | 66.2 | 65.8 | 62.4 | 0.4 | 3.8 |
| Social Assistance | 39.2 | 37.8 | 36.9 | 1.4 | 2.3 |
| **Leisure & Hospitality** | **136.9** | **135.1** | **125.0** | **1.8** | **11.9** |
| Arts, Entertainment & Recreation | 18.0 | 16.4 | 14.6 | 1.6 | 3.4 |
| Accommodation & Food Services | 118.9 | 118.7 | 110.4 | 0.2 | 8.5 |
| Accommodation Services | 12.4 | 12.0 | 11.9 | 0.4 | 0.5 |
| Food Services | 106.5 | 106.7 | 98.5 | -0.2 | 8.0 |
| **Other Services** | **74.4** | **74.4** | **71.8** | **0.0** | **2.6** |
| **Government** | **206.0** | **212.9** | **204.4** | **-6.9** | **1.6** |
| Federal Government | 21.1 | 21.0 | 20.5 | 0.1 | 0.6 |
| State Government | 72.7 | 77.7 | 72.7 | -5.0 | 0.0 |
| State Gov, Educational Services | 26.6 | 31.5 | 26.4 | -4.9 | 0.2 |
| State Gov, Excluding Education | 46.1 | 46.2 | 46.3 | -0.1 | -0.2 |
| Local Government | 112.2 | 114.2 | 111.2 | -2.0 | 1.0 |
| Local Gov, Educational Services | 66.8 | 70.1 | 66.3 | -3.3 | 0.5 |
| Local Gov, Excluding Education | 45.4 | 44.1 | 44.9 | 1.3 | 0.5 |

**State of Arkansas**

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# Nonfarm Payroll Jobs

#### Monthly Job Gains/Losses by Major Industry Sector

May 2023 - June 2023 (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

Construction

Leisure & Hospitality Private Ed & Health

1,900

Manufacturing

Trade-Transport-Utilities Financial Activities

1,800

1,400

1,200

1,000

700

Other Services

0

Mining & Logging

Information

-100

-100

Professional & Business

-2,700

Government-6,900

-8,000 -6,000 -4,000 -2,000

0

2,000

4,000

#### Annual Job Gains/Losses by Major Industry Sector

June 2022 - June 2023 (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

Leisure & Hospitality

Private Ed & Health

**11,900**

**11,100**

Trade-Transport-Utilities

Construction

**7,500**

**6,700**

Manufacturing

Other Services Government Financial Activities

**3,100**

**2,600**

**1,600**

**1,000**

Mining & Logging

Information

**-300**

**-500**

Professional & Business **-2,700**

-5,000 -2,500 0 2,500 5,000 7,500 10,000 12,500 15,000

**State of Arkansas**

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# Production Workers- Hours and Earnings

### Manufacturing

**Jun 23**

Average Weekly Hours 38.1

Average Hourly Earnings $21.26

Average Weekly Earnings $810.01

**May 23**

38.7

$21.65

$837.86

**Jun 22**

38.8

$19.99

$775.61

**Durable Goods and Nondurable Goods Manufacturing**

Durable Goods Manufacturing

Nondurable Goods Manufacturing

Average Weekly Hours Average Hourly Earnings Average Weekly Earnings

**Jun 23**

41.6

**May 23**

43.4

$24.23

$974.27 $1,051.58

$23.42

**Jun 22**

40.2

$21.63

$869.53

**Jun 23**

Average Weekly Hours 34.8

Average Hourly Earnings $18.86

Average Weekly Earnings $656.33

**May 23**

34.3

$18.65

$639.70

**Jun 22**

37.5

$18.38

$689.25

#### Average Weekly Earnings for Production Workers - Durable Goods vs Nondurable Goods

June: 2013 - 2023

$1,200.00

$1,000.00

$800.00

$600.00

$400.00

$200.00

$0.00

2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020 2021 2022 2023

Durable Goods Nondurable Goods

**Metropolitan Statistical Areas**

**June**

# Little Rock-North Little Rock-Conway MSA

The Little Rock-North Little Rock-Conway MSA = Faulkner, Grant, Lonoke, Perry, Pulaski, & Saline counties.

### Civilian Labor Force Estimates (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **Jun 23** | **May 23** | **Jun 22** | **OTM** | **OTY** |
| **Civilian Labor Force** | 372,582 | 364,746 | 364,562 | 7,836 | 8,020 |
| **Employment** | 362,382 | 356,179 | 351,602 | 6,203 | 10,780 |
| **Unemployment** | 10,200 | 8,567 | 12,960 | 1,633 | -2,760 |
| **Unemployment Rate** | 2.7% | 2.3% | 3.6% | 0.4% | -0.9% |

**Nonfarm Payroll Jobs (Not Seasonally Adjusted)**

(In Thousands)

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **NAICS Jun 23** | **May 23** | **Jun 22** | **OTM** | **OTY** |
| **Total Nonfarm** 389.7 | 386.9 | 373.8 | 2.8 | 15.9 |
| **Goods Producing** 40.7 | 40.1 | 38.4 | 0.6 | 2.3 |
| **Mining, Logging & Construction 20.6** | **20.1** | **18.9** | **0.5** | **1.7** |
| **Manufacturing 20.1** | **20.0** | **19.5** | **0.1** | **0.6** |
| **Service Providing** 349.0 | 346.8 | 335.4 | 2.2 | 13.6 |
| **Trade, Transportation & Utilities 78.6** | **77.6** | **76.1** | **1.0** | **2.5** |
| **Wholesale Trade** 18.3 | 18.2 | 16.8 | 0.1 | 1.5 |
| **Retail Trade** 39.1 | 38.3 | 38.5 | 0.8 | 0.6 |
| **Trans., Warehousing & Utilities** 21.2 | 21.1 | 20.8 | 0.1 | 0.4 |
| **Information 5.7** | **5.7** | **5.6** | **0.0** | **0.1** |
| **Financial Activities 24.9** | **24.7** | **24.5** | **0.2** | **0.4** |
| **Professional & Business Services 48.2** | **48.5** | **47.9** | **-0.3** | **0.3** |
| **Private Education & Health Services 64.9** | **63.8** | **59.9** | **1.1** | **5.0** |
| **Leisure & Hospitality 38.8** | **37.8** | **34.3** | **1.0** | **4.5** |
| **Other Services 19.7** | **19.6** | **19.0** | **0.1** | **0.7** |
| **Government 68.2** | **69.1** | **68.1** | **-0.9** | **0.1** |
| **Federal Government** 10.0 | 10.0 | 9.8 | 0.0 | 0.2 |
| **State Government** 32.8 | 33.7 | 33.2 | -0.9 | -0.4 |
| **Local Government** 25.4 | 25.4 | 25.1 | 0.0 | 0.3 |

35,000

#### Unemployment

June 2020 - June 2023

70,000

#### Jobs in Private Education & Health Services

June: 2013 - 2023

30,000

65,000

60,000

25,000

20,000

55,000

50,000

15,000

45,000

10,000

40,000

5,000

Jun '20 Dec '20 Jun '21 Dec '21 Jun '22 Dec '22 Jun '23

35,000

'13 '14 '15 '16 '17 '18 '19 '20 '21 '22 '23

**Metropolitan Statistical Areas**

**June**

# Fayetteville-Springdale-Rogers MSA

The Fayetteville-Springdale-Rogers MSA = Benton, Madison, & Washington counties in Arkansas and McDonald county in Missouri.

### Civilian Labor Force Estimates (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **Jun 23** | **May 23** | **Jun 22** | **OTM** | **OTY** |
| **Civilian Labor Force** | 316,183 | 314,872 | 305,345 | 1,311 | 10,838 |
| **Employment** | 308,909 | 308,959 | 296,857 | -50 | 12,052 |
| **Unemployment** | 7,274 | 5,913 | 8,488 | 1,361 | -1,214 |
| **Unemployment Rate** | 2.3% | 1.9% | 2.8% | 0.4% | -0.5% |

**Nonfarm Payroll Jobs (Not Seasonally Adjusted)**

(In Thousands)

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **NAICS Jun 23** | **May 23** | **Jun 22** | **OTM** | **OTY** |
| **Total Nonfarm** 305.6 | 309.0 | 290.7 | -3.4 | 14.9 |
| **Goods Producing** 48.8 | 48.5 | 46.4 | 0.3 | 2.4 |
| **Mining, Logging & Construction 16.5** | **16.2** | **14.7** | **0.3** | **1.8** |
| **Manufacturing 32.3** | **32.3** | **31.7** | **0.0** | **0.6** |
| **Service Providing** 256.8 | 260.5 | 244.3 | -3.7 | 12.5 |
| **Trade, Transportation & Utilities 63.9** | **63.8** | **60.3** | **0.1** | **3.6** |
| **Wholesale Trade** 14.5 | 14.3 | 13.2 | 0.2 | 1.3 |
| **Retail Trade** 28.7 | 29.0 | 28.5 | -0.3 | 0.2 |
| **Trans., Warehousing & Utilities** 20.7 | 20.5 | 18.6 | 0.2 | 2.1 |
| **Information 2.3** | **2.3** | **2.4** | **0.0** | **-0.1** |
| **Financial Activities 10.4** | **10.2** | **10.1** | **0.2** | **0.3** |
| **Professional & Business Services 57.6** | **59.5** | **57.5** | **-1.9** | **0.1** |
| **Private Education & Health Services 34.7** | **34.4** | **32.4** | **0.3** | **2.3** |
| **Leisure & Hospitality 31.8** | **31.3** | **28.7** | **0.5** | **3.1** |
| **Other Services 16.0** | **15.9** | **15.0** | **0.1** | **1.0** |
| **Government 40.1** | **43.1** | **37.9** | **-3.0** | **2.2** |
| **Federal Government** 3.1 | 3.1 | 2.8 | 0.0 | 0.3 |
| **State Government** 16.6 | 19.7 | 15.4 | -3.1 | 1.2 |
| **Local Government** 20.4 | 20.3 | 19.7 | 0.1 | 0.7 |

350,000

#### Employment

June: 2003 - 2023

320,000

#### Nonfarm Payroll Jobs

June 2020 - June 2023

300,000

300,000

280,000

250,000

260,000

200,000

240,000

150,000

220,000

100,000

'03

'05

'07

'09

'11

'13

'15

'17

'19

'21

'23

200,000

Jun '20 Dec '20 Jun '21 Dec '21 Jun '22 Dec '22 Jun '23

**Metropolitan Statistical Areas**

**June**

# Fort Smith MSA

The Fort Smith MSA = Crawford & Sebastian counties in Arkansas & LeFlore & Sequoyah counties in Oklahoma.

### Civilian Labor Force Estimates (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **Jun 23** | **May 23** | **Jun 22** | **OTM** | **OTY** |
| **Civilian Labor Force** | 121,123 | 119,441 | 119,879 | 1,682 | 1,244 |
| **Employment** | 117,051 | 116,219 | 115,395 | 832 | 1,656 |
| **Unemployment** | 4,072 | 3,222 | 4,484 | 850 | -412 |
| **Unemployment Rate** | 3.4% | 2.7% | 3.7% | 0.7% | -0.3% |

**Nonfarm Payroll Jobs (Not Seasonally Adjusted)**

(In Thousands)

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **NAICS Jun 23** | **May 23** | **Jun 22** | **OTM** | **OTY** |
| **Total Nonfarm** 115.5 | 116.0 | 113.7 | -0.5 | 1.8 |
| **Goods Producing** 24.3 | 24.3 | 23.7 | 0.0 | 0.6 |
| **Mining, Logging & Construction 5.5** | **5.5** | **5.2** | **0.0** | **0.3** |
| **Manufacturing 18.8** | **18.8** | **18.5** | **0.0** | **0.3** |
| **Service Providing** 91.2 | 91.7 | 90.0 | -0.5 | 1.2 |
| **Trade, Transportation & Utilities 24.4** | **24.5** | **24.1** | **-0.1** | **0.3** |
| **Wholesale Trade** 5.0 | 5.0 | 4.7 | 0.0 | 0.3 |
| **Retail Trade** 12.9 | 13.0 | 13.1 | -0.1 | -0.2 |
| **Trans., Warehousing & Utilities** 6.5 | 6.5 | 6.3 | 0.0 | 0.2 |
| **Information 1.4** | **1.4** | **1.4** | **0.0** | **0.0** |
| **Financial Activities 4.2** | **4.2** | **4.2** | **0.0** | **0.0** |
| **Professional & Business Services 10.9** | **11.2** | **12.0** | **-0.3** | **-1.1** |
| **Private Education & Health Services 18.2** | **18.1** | **17.5** | **0.1** | **0.7** |
| **Leisure & Hospitality 10.6** | **10.4** | **9.9** | **0.2** | **0.7** |
| **Other Services 3.7** | **3.6** | **3.6** | **0.1** | **0.1** |
| **Government 17.8** | **18.3** | **17.3** | **-0.5** | **0.5** |
| **Federal Government** 1.4 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| **State Government** 2.2 | 2.4 | 2.3 | -0.2 | -0.1 |
| **Local Government** 14.2 | 14.6 | 13.7 | -0.4 | 0.5 |

#### Annual Job Gains/Losses by Major Industry Sector

June 2022 vs June 2023

Leisure & Hospitality

700

500

300

300

300

100

0

0

Private Ed & Health

700

Government

Manufacturing

Mining-Logging-Construct

Trade-Transport-Utilities

Other Services

Information

Financial Activities

Professional & Business -1,100

-1,200 -1,000 -800 -600 -400 -200 0 200 400 600 800

**Metropolitan Statistical Areas**

**June**

# Hot Springs MSA

The Hot Springs MSA = Garland County.

### Civilian Labor Force Estimates (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **Jun 23** | **May 23** | **Jun 22** | **OTM** | **OTY** |
| **Civilian Labor Force** | 42,773 | 41,993 | 43,092 | 780 | -319 |
| **Employment** | 41,301 | 40,782 | 41,260 | 519 | 41 |
| **Unemployment** | 1,472 | 1,211 | 1,832 | 261 | -360 |
| **Unemployment Rate** | 3.4% | 2.9% | 4.3% | 0.5% | -0.9% |

**Nonfarm Payroll Jobs (Not Seasonally Adjusted)**

(In Thousands)

**NAICS**

**Total Nonfarm Goods Producing Service Providing Government**

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Jun 23** | **May 23** | **Jun 22** | **OTM** | **OTY** |
| 41.7 | 41.8 | 41.2 | -0.1 | 0.5 |
| 4.8 | 4.7 | 4.6 | 0.1 | 0.2 |
| 36.9 | 37.1 | 36.6 | -0.2 | 0.3 |
| 3.9 | 4.2 | 4.2 | -0.3 | -0.3 |

43,000

#### Nonfarm Payroll Jobs

January 2021 - June 2023

42,000

41,000

40,000

39,000

38,000

37,000

36,000

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2021 2022 2023

**Metropolitan Statistical Areas**

**June**

# Jonesboro MSA

The Jonesboro MSA = Craighead & Poinsett counties.

### Civilian Labor Force Estimates (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **Jun 23** | **May 23** | **Jun 22** | **OTM** | **OTY** |
| **Civilian Labor Force** | 69,566 | 68,527 | 68,408 | 1,039 | 1,158 |
| **Employment** | 67,749 | 67,044 | 66,133 | 705 | 1,616 |
| **Unemployment** | 1,817 | 1,483 | 2,275 | 334 | -458 |
| **Unemployment Rate** | 2.6% | 2.2% | 3.3% | 0.4% | -0.7% |

**Nonfarm Payroll Jobs (Not Seasonally Adjusted)**

(In Thousands)

**NAICS**

**Total Nonfarm Goods Producing Service Providing Government**

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Jun 23** | **May 23** | **Jun 22** | **OTM** | **OTY** |
| 65.0 | 65.2 | 63.1 | -0.2 | 1.9 |
| 12.4 | 12.3 | 12.0 | 0.1 | 0.4 |
| 52.6 | 52.9 | 51.1 | -0.3 | 1.5 |
| 9.0 | 9.3 | 8.6 | -0.3 | 0.4 |

6,000

#### Unemployment

June: 2003 - 2023

5,000

4,000

3,000

2,000

1,000

0

'03 '05 '07 '09 '11 '13 '15 '17 '19 '21 '23

**Metropolitan Statistical Areas**

**June**

# Pine Bluff MSA

The Pine Bluff MSA = Cleveland, Jefferson, & Lincoln counties.

### Civilian Labor Force Estimates (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **Jun 23** | **May 23** | **Jun 22** | **OTM** | **OTY** |
| **Civilian Labor Force** | 32,873 | 32,311 | 32,989 | 562 | -116 |
| **Employment** | 31,561 | 31,191 | 31,249 | 370 | 312 |
| **Unemployment** | 1,312 | 1,120 | 1,740 | 192 | -428 |
| **Unemployment Rate** | 4.0% | 3.5% | 5.3% | 0.5% | -1.3% |

**Nonfarm Payroll Jobs (Not Seasonally Adjusted)**

(In Thousands)

**NAICS**

**Total Nonfarm Goods Producing Service Providing Government**

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Jun 23** | **May 23** | **Jun 22** | **OTM** | **OTY** |
| 31.9 | 31.8 | 31.3 | 0.1 | 0.6 |
| 5.7 | 5.5 | 5.3 | 0.2 | 0.4 |
| 26.2 | 26.3 | 26.0 | -0.1 | 0.2 |
| 8.6 | 8.7 | 8.6 | -0.1 | 0.0 |

32,500

#### Nonfarm Payroll Jobs

June 2020 - June 2023

32,000

31,500

31,000

30,500

30,000

29,500

29,000

Jun '20 Dec '20 Jun '21 Dec '21 Jun '22 Dec '22 Jun '23

**Metropolitan Statistical Areas**

**June**

# Out-of-State MSA

### Civilian Labor Force Estimates (Not Seasonally Adjusted) Memphis, TN-MS-AR MSA

The Memphis, TN-MS-AR MSA = Fayette, Shelby, & Tipton counties in Tennessee; Benton, Desoto, Marshall, Tate, & Tunica counties in Mississippi; & Crittenden County in Arkansas.

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **Jun 23** | **May 23** | **Jun 22** | **OTM** | **OTY** |
| **Civilian Labor Force** | 631,780 | 625,059 | 638,889 | 6,721 | -7,109 |
| **Employment** | 602,875 | 601,365 | 607,920 | 1,510 | -5,045 |
| **Unemployment** | 28,905 | 23,694 | 30,969 | 5,211 | -2,064 |
| **Unemployment Rate** | 4.6% | 3.8% | 4.8% | 0.8% | -0.2% |

**Texarkana MSA**

The Texarkana MSA= Bowie County in Texas & Little River & Miller counties in Arkansas.

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **Jun 23** | **May 23** | **Jun 22** | **OTM** | **OTY** |
| **Civilian Labor Force** | 63,379 | 62,775 | 63,507 | 604 | -128 |
| **Employment** | 60,830 | 60,379 | 60,567 | 451 | 263 |
| **Unemployment** | 2,549 | 2,396 | 2,940 | 153 | -391 |
| **Unemployment Rate** | 4.0% | 3.8% | 4.6% | 0.2% | -0.6% |

620,000

#### Memphis MSA - Employment

June 2020 - June 2023

10.0%

#### Texarkana MSA - Unemployment Rates

June: 2013 - 2023

610,000

9.0%

600,000

8.0%

7.0%

590,000

580,000

570,000

560,000

6.0%

5.0%

4.0%

3.0%

550,000

2.0%

540,000

1.0%

530,000

Jun '20 Dec '20 Jun '21 Dec '21 Jun '22 Dec '22 Jun '23

0.0%

'13

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**Micropolitan Statistical Areas**

**June**

# Civilian Labor Force Estimates

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Arkadelphia Micro | 8,426 | 8,014 | 412 | 4.9 | 8,520 | 8,215 | 305 | 3.6 | 8,486 | 7,998 | 488 | 5.8 |
| Batesville Micro | 17,108 | 16,489 | 619 | 3.6 | 16,943 | 16,512 | 431 | 2.5 | 16,886 | 16,221 | 665 | 3.9 |
| Blytheville Micro | 16,794 | 15,903 | 891 | 5.3 | 16,466 | 15,762 | 704 | 4.3 | 16,591 | 15,594 | 997 | 6.0 |
| Camden Micro | 12,245 | 11,850 | 395 | 3.2 | 12,102 | 11,750 | 352 | 2.9 | 12,318 | 11,823 | 495 | 4.0 |
| El Dorado Micro | 14,958 | 14,325 | 633 | 4.2 | 14,694 | 14,166 | 528 | 3.6 | 15,171 | 14,396 | 775 | 5.1 |
| Forrest City Micro | 7,733 | 7,404 | 329 | 4.3 | 7,607 | 7,317 | 290 | 3.8 | 7,781 | 7,387 | 394 | 5.1 |
| Harrison Micro | 19,552 | 18,987 | 565 | 2.9 | 19,246 | 18,790 | 456 | 2.4 | 19,541 | 18,897 | 644 | 3.3 |
| Helena-West Helena Micro | 5,480 | 5,181 | 299 | 5.5 | 5,440 | 5,176 | 264 | 4.9 | 5,593 | 5,242 | 351 | 6.3 |
| Hope Micro | 13,044 | 12,603 | 441 | 3.4 | 12,801 | 12,485 | 316 | 2.5 | 13,050 | 12,542 | 508 | 3.9 |
| Magnolia Micro | 8,702 | 8,347 | 355 | 4.1 | 8,827 | 8,519 | 308 | 3.5 | 8,864 | 8,425 | 439 | 5.0 |
| Malvern Micro | 14,193 | 13,724 | 469 | 3.3 | 13,935 | 13,563 | 372 | 2.7 | 14,139 | 13,558 | 581 | 4.1 |
| Mountain Home Micro | 16,813 | 16,253 | 560 | 3.3 | 16,598 | 16,149 | 449 | 2.7 | 17,210 | 16,520 | 690 | 4.0 |
| Paragould Micro | 20,246 | 19,628 | 618 | 3.1 | 19,950 | 19,428 | 522 | 2.6 | 20,070 | 19,338 | 732 | 3.6 |
| Russellville Micro | 35,790 | 34,400 | 1,390 | 3.9 | 35,651 | 34,612 | 1,039 | 2.9 | 35,703 | 34,066 | 1,637 | 4.6 |
| Searcy Micro | 34,831 | 33,692 | 1,139 | 3.3 | 34,481 | 33,542 | 939 | 2.7 | 34,897 | 33,508 | 1,389 | 4.0 |

Arkadelphia Micro = Clark County Batesville Micro = Independence County Blytheville Micro = Mississippi County

**Micro Area**

**CLF**

**June 2023**

**Emp Unemp Rate**

Not Seasonally Adjusted

**May 2023**

**CLF**

**Emp Unemp Rate**

**June 2022**

**CLF Emp Unemp Rate**

Camden Micro = Calhoun & Ouachita counties El Dorado Micro = Union County

Forrest City Micro = St. Francis County Harrison Micro = Boone & Newton counties Helena-West Helena Micro = Phillips County Hope Micro = Hempstead & Nevada counties Magnolia Micro = Columbia County

### City Labor Force Statistics

**City**

**CLF**

**June 2023**

**Emp Unemp Rate**

Not Seasonally Adjusted

**May 2023**

**CLF**

**Emp Unemp Rate**

**June 2022**

**CLF Emp Unemp Rate**

Malvern Micro = Hot Spring County Mountain Home Micro = Baxter County Paragould Micro = Greene County Russellville Micro = Pope & Yell counties Searcy Micro = White County

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Bella Vista | 13,585 | 13,190 | 395 | 2.9 | 13,499 | 13,192 | 307 | 2.3 | 13,147 | 12,674 | 473 | 3.6 |
| Benton | 18,596 | 18,092 | 504 | 2.7 | 18,184 | 17,785 | 399 | 2.2 | 18,189 | 17,570 | 619 | 3.4 |
| Bentonville | 32,957 | 32,255 | 702 | 2.1 | 32,835 | 32,261 | 574 | 1.7 | 31,826 | 30,994 | 832 | 2.6 |
| Blytheville | 5,710 | 5,323 | 387 | 6.8 | 5,540 | 5,276 | 264 | 4.8 | 5,602 | 5,220 | 382 | 6.8 |
| Cabot | 12,520 | 12,216 | 304 | 2.4 | 12,267 | 11,993 | 274 | 2.2 | 12,195 | 11,801 | 394 | 3.2 |
| Conway | 36,069 | 35,102 | 967 | 2.7 | 35,322 | 34,492 | 830 | 2.3 | 35,226 | 34,056 | 1,170 | 3.3 |
| El Dorado | 6,444 | 6,165 | 279 | 4.3 | 6,333 | 6,096 | 237 | 3.7 | 6,577 | 6,195 | 382 | 5.8 |
| Fayetteville | 53,826 | 52,586 | 1,240 | 2.3 | 53,629 | 52,584 | 1,045 | 1.9 | 52,094 | 50,554 | 1,540 | 3.0 |
| Fort Smith | 39,336 | 37,988 | 1,348 | 3.4 | 38,703 | 37,772 | 931 | 2.4 | 39,125 | 37,749 | 1,376 | 3.5 |
| Hot Springs | 15,873 | 15,284 | 589 | 3.7 | 15,569 | 15,092 | 477 | 3.1 | 16,061 | 15,268 | 793 | 4.9 |
| Jacksonville | 12,052 | 11,673 | 379 | 3.1 | 11,804 | 11,477 | 327 | 2.8 | 11,840 | 11,335 | 505 | 4.3 |
| Jonesboro | 41,914 | 40,822 | 1,092 | 2.6 | 41,311 | 40,414 | 897 | 2.2 | 41,235 | 39,906 | 1,329 | 3.2 |
| Little Rock | 100,878 | 97,972 | 2,906 | 2.9 | 98,787 | 96,324 | 2,463 | 2.5 | 98,919 | 95,134 | 3,785 | 3.8 |
| North Little Rock | 31,085 | 30,127 | 958 | 3.1 | 30,450 | 29,620 | 830 | 2.7 | 30,512 | 29,254 | 1,258 | 4.1 |
| Paragould | 12,881 | 12,474 | 407 | 3.2 | 12,692 | 12,347 | 345 | 2.7 | 12,785 | 12,290 | 495 | 3.9 |
| Pine Bluff | 15,381 | 14,664 | 717 | 4.7 | 15,124 | 14,507 | 617 | 4.1 | 15,497 | 14,556 | 941 | 6.1 |
| Rogers | 40,447 | 39,571 | 876 | 2.2 | 40,310 | 39,578 | 732 | 1.8 | 39,019 | 38,024 | 995 | 2.6 |
| Russellville | 12,864 | 12,380 | 484 | 3.8 | 12,862 | 12,471 | 391 | 3.0 | 12,876 | 12,297 | 579 | 4.5 |
| Searcy | 10,519 | 10,174 | 345 | 3.3 | 10,418 | 10,129 | 289 | 2.8 | 10,551 | 10,119 | 432 | 4.1 |
| Sherwood | 16,870 | 16,442 | 428 | 2.5 | 16,541 | 16,165 | 376 | 2.3 | 16,490 | 15,965 | 525 | 3.2 |
| Springdale | 42,901 | 41,996 | 905 | 2.1 | 42,749 | 41,996 | 753 | 1.8 | 41,406 | 40,371 | 1,035 | 2.5 |
| Texarkana, AR | 13,146 | 12,652 | 494 | 3.8 | 12,860 | 12,470 | 390 | 3.0 | 13,207 | 12,587 | 620 | 4.7 |
| Van Buren | 10,550 | 10,162 | 388 | 3.7 | 10,324 | 10,097 | 227 | 2.2 | 10,456 | 10,070 | 386 | 3.7 |
| West Memphis | 10,244 | 9,792 | 452 | 4.4 | 10,044 | 9,664 | 380 | 3.8 | 10,277 | 9,739 | 538 | 5.2 |

## **County Labor Force Statistics**

**June**

# Civilian Labor Force Estimates

Not Seasonally Adjusted

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  |  | **June 2023** | |  |  | **May 2023** | |  |  | **June 2022** | |  |
| **County** | **CLF** | **Emp Unemp** | | **Rate** | **CLF** | **Emp Unemp** | | **Rate** | **CLF** | **Emp Unemp** | | **Rate** |
| Arkansas | 9,350 | 9,126 | 224 | 2.4 | 9,086 | 8,902 | 184 | 2.0 | 9,597 | 9,260 | 337 | 3.5 |
| Ashley | 6,646 | 6,301 | 345 | 5.2 | 6,559 | 6,265 | 294 | 4.5 | 6,922 | 6,535 | 387 | 5.6 |
| Baxter | 16,813 | 16,253 | 560 | 3.3 | 16,598 | 16,149 | 449 | 2.7 | 17,210 | 16,520 | 690 | 4.0 |
| Benton | 157,527 | 153,886 | 3,641 | 2.3 | 156,883 | 153,915 | 2,968 | 1.9 | 152,153 | 147,869 | 4,284 | 2.8 |
| Boone | 16,277 | 15,811 | 466 | 2.9 | 16,033 | 15,656 | 377 | 2.4 | 16,290 | 15,755 | 535 | 3.3 |
| Bradley | 4,073 | 3,903 | 170 | 4.2 | 3,978 | 3,822 | 156 | 3.9 | 4,140 | 3,929 | 211 | 5.1 |
| Calhoun | 2,411 | 2,349 | 62 | 2.6 | 2,374 | 2,323 | 51 | 2.1 | 2,403 | 2,320 | 83 | 3.5 |
| Carroll | 12,845 | 12,516 | 329 | 2.6 | 12,401 | 12,128 | 273 | 2.2 | 13,068 | 12,673 | 395 | 3.0 |
| Chicot | 3,008 | 2,850 | 158 | 5.3 | 2,924 | 2,800 | 124 | 4.2 | 3,004 | 2,800 | 204 | 6.8 |
| Clark | 8,426 | 8,014 | 412 | 4.9 | 8,520 | 8,215 | 305 | 3.6 | 8,486 | 7,998 | 488 | 5.8 |
| Clay | 5,564 | 5,360 | 204 | 3.7 | 5,450 | 5,291 | 159 | 2.9 | 5,517 | 5,269 | 248 | 4.5 |
| Cleburne | 9,250 | 8,918 | 332 | 3.6 | 8,966 | 8,694 | 272 | 3.0 | 9,338 | 8,915 | 423 | 4.5 |
| Cleveland | 3,139 | 3,038 | 101 | 3.2 | 3,071 | 2,993 | 78 | 2.5 | 3,124 | 2,983 | 141 | 4.5 |
| Columbia | 8,702 | 8,347 | 355 | 4.1 | 8,827 | 8,519 | 308 | 3.5 | 8,864 | 8,425 | 439 | 5.0 |
| Conway | 8,550 | 8,256 | 294 | 3.4 | 8,371 | 8,132 | 239 | 2.9 | 8,701 | 8,339 | 362 | 4.2 |
| Craighead | 59,310 | 57,805 | 1,505 | 2.5 | 58,465 | 57,228 | 1,237 | 2.1 | 58,391 | 56,508 | 1,883 | 3.2 |
| Crawford | 26,890 | 26,007 | 883 | 3.3 | 26,474 | 25,842 | 632 | 2.4 | 26,766 | 25,773 | 993 | 3.7 |
| Crittenden | 20,873 | 20,066 | 807 | 3.9 | 20,454 | 19,804 | 650 | 3.2 | 20,914 | 19,958 | 956 | 4.6 |
| Cross | 7,020 | 6,804 | 216 | 3.1 | 6,876 | 6,701 | 175 | 2.5 | 7,121 | 6,833 | 288 | 4.0 |
| Dallas | 2,689 | 2,592 | 97 | 3.6 | 2,661 | 2,578 | 83 | 3.1 | 2,743 | 2,620 | 123 | 4.5 |
| Desha | 4,974 | 4,771 | 203 | 4.1 | 4,857 | 4,684 | 173 | 3.6 | 5,000 | 4,728 | 272 | 5.4 |
| Drew | 7,306 | 7,025 | 281 | 3.8 | 7,278 | 7,040 | 238 | 3.3 | 7,237 | 6,878 | 359 | 5.0 |
| Faulkner | 65,502 | 63,758 | 1,744 | 2.7 | 64,129 | 62,650 | 1,479 | 2.3 | 63,973 | 61,859 | 2,114 | 3.3 |
| Franklin | 7,614 | 7,392 | 222 | 2.9 | 7,469 | 7,286 | 183 | 2.5 | 7,577 | 7,284 | 293 | 3.9 |
| Fulton | 5,174 | 5,001 | 173 | 3.3 | 5,037 | 4,903 | 134 | 2.7 | 5,231 | 5,025 | 206 | 3.9 |
| Garland | 42,773 | 41,301 | 1,472 | 3.4 | 41,993 | 40,782 | 1,211 | 2.9 | 43,092 | 41,260 | 1,832 | 4.3 |
| Grant | 8,775 | 8,537 | 238 | 2.7 | 8,573 | 8,387 | 186 | 2.2 | 8,548 | 8,241 | 307 | 3.6 |
| Greene | 20,246 | 19,628 | 618 | 3.1 | 19,950 | 19,428 | 522 | 2.6 | 20,070 | 19,338 | 732 | 3.6 |
| Hempstead | 9,535 | 9,228 | 307 | 3.2 | 9,367 | 9,139 | 228 | 2.4 | 9,518 | 9,167 | 351 | 3.7 |
| Hot Spring | 14,193 | 13,724 | 469 | 3.3 | 13,935 | 13,563 | 372 | 2.7 | 14,139 | 13,558 | 581 | 4.1 |
| Howard | 5,397 | 5,217 | 180 | 3.3 | 5,279 | 5,141 | 138 | 2.6 | 5,558 | 5,351 | 207 | 3.7 |
| Independence | 17,108 | 16,489 | 619 | 3.6 | 16,943 | 16,512 | 431 | 2.5 | 16,886 | 16,221 | 665 | 3.9 |
| Izard | 4,439 | 4,204 | 235 | 5.3 | 4,455 | 4,281 | 174 | 3.9 | 4,495 | 4,235 | 260 | 5.8 |
| Jackson | 5,562 | 5,311 | 251 | 4.5 | 5,441 | 5,222 | 219 | 4.0 | 5,567 | 5,278 | 289 | 5.2 |
| Jefferson | 25,984 | 24,903 | 1,081 | 4.2 | 25,566 | 24,637 | 929 | 3.6 | 26,131 | 24,720 | 1,411 | 5.4 |
| Johnson | 10,185 | 9,792 | 393 | 3.9 | 10,071 | 9,771 | 300 | 3.0 | 10,240 | 9,754 | 486 | 4.7 |
| Lafayette | 2,321 | 2,219 | 102 | 4.4 | 2,302 | 2,217 | 85 | 3.7 | 2,328 | 2,199 | 129 | 5.5 |
| Lawrence | 6,815 | 6,597 | 218 | 3.2 | 6,913 | 6,744 | 169 | 2.4 | 6,683 | 6,406 | 277 | 4.1 |
| Lee | 2,690 | 2,563 | 127 | 4.7 | 2,628 | 2,519 | 109 | 4.1 | 2,568 | 2,439 | 129 | 5.0 |
| Lincoln | 3,750 | 3,620 | 130 | 3.5 | 3,674 | 3,561 | 113 | 3.1 | 3,734 | 3,546 | 188 | 5.0 |
| Little River | 5,306 | 5,139 | 167 | 3.1 | 5,206 | 5,071 | 135 | 2.6 | 5,326 | 5,107 | 219 | 4.1 |
| Logan | 8,447 | 8,127 | 320 | 3.8 | 8,252 | 7,996 | 256 | 3.1 | 8,465 | 8,089 | 376 | 4.4 |
| Lonoke | 35,526 | 34,629 | 897 | 2.5 | 34,747 | 33,999 | 748 | 2.2 | 34,592 | 33,454 | 1,138 | 3.3 |
| Madison | 8,076 | 7,880 | 196 | 2.4 | 7,987 | 7,834 | 153 | 1.9 | 7,712 | 7,480 | 232 | 3.0 |
| Marion | 6,402 | 6,156 | 246 | 3.8 | 6,233 | 6,052 | 181 | 2.9 | 6,566 | 6,304 | 262 | 4.0 |
| Miller | 19,173 | 18,494 | 679 | 3.5 | 18,781 | 18,229 | 552 | 2.9 | 19,229 | 18,400 | 829 | 4.3 |

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**County Labor Force Statistics**

**June**

# Civilian Labor Force Estimates

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|  |  | **June 2023** | |  |  | **May 2023** | |  |  | **June 2022** | |  |
| **County** | **CLF** | **Emp Unemp** | | **Rate** | **CLF** | **Emp Unemp** | | **Rate** | **CLF** | **Emp Unemp** | | **Rate** |
| Mississippi | 16,794 | 15,903 | 891 | 5.3 | 16,466 | 15,762 | 704 | 4.3 | 16,591 | 15,594 | 997 | 6.0 |
| Monroe | 2,567 | 2,475 | 92 | 3.6 | 2,487 | 2,412 | 75 | 3.0 | 2,547 | 2,426 | 121 | 4.8 |
| Montgomery | 3,076 | 2,941 | 135 | 4.4 | 2,901 | 2,791 | 110 | 3.8 | 2,973 | 2,823 | 150 | 5.0 |
| Nevada | 3,509 | 3,375 | 134 | 3.8 | 3,434 | 3,346 | 88 | 2.6 | 3,532 | 3,375 | 157 | 4.4 |
| Newton | 3,275 | 3,176 | 99 | 3.0 | 3,213 | 3,134 | 79 | 2.5 | 3,251 | 3,142 | 109 | 3.4 |
| Ouachita | 9,834 | 9,501 | 333 | 3.4 | 9,728 | 9,427 | 301 | 3.1 | 9,915 | 9,503 | 412 | 4.2 |
| Perry | 4,369 | 4,229 | 140 | 3.2 | 4,260 | 4,147 | 113 | 2.7 | 4,267 | 4,090 | 177 | 4.1 |
| Phillips | 5,480 | 5,181 | 299 | 5.5 | 5,440 | 5,176 | 264 | 4.9 | 5,593 | 5,242 | 351 | 6.3 |
| Pike | 4,152 | 4,012 | 140 | 3.4 | 4,029 | 3,925 | 104 | 2.6 | 4,248 | 4,067 | 181 | 4.3 |
| Poinsett | 10,256 | 9,944 | 312 | 3.0 | 10,062 | 9,816 | 246 | 2.4 | 10,017 | 9,625 | 392 | 3.9 |
| Polk | 7,984 | 7,726 | 258 | 3.2 | 7,850 | 7,641 | 209 | 2.7 | 7,934 | 7,613 | 321 | 4.0 |
| Pope | 27,827 | 26,731 | 1,096 | 3.9 | 27,735 | 26,926 | 809 | 2.9 | 27,824 | 26,551 | 1,273 | 4.6 |
| Prairie | 3,653 | 3,549 | 104 | 2.8 | 3,576 | 3,494 | 82 | 2.3 | 3,559 | 3,435 | 124 | 3.5 |
| Pulaski | 196,066 | 190,482 | 5,584 | 2.8 | 192,020 | 187,278 | 4,742 | 2.5 | 192,234 | 184,964 | 7,270 | 3.8 |
| Randolph | 7,351 | 7,098 | 253 | 3.4 | 7,242 | 7,054 | 188 | 2.6 | 7,298 | 7,009 | 289 | 4.0 |
| St. Francis | 7,733 | 7,404 | 329 | 4.3 | 7,607 | 7,317 | 290 | 3.8 | 7,781 | 7,387 | 394 | 5.1 |
| Saline | 62,344 | 60,747 | 1,597 | 2.6 | 61,017 | 59,718 | 1,299 | 2.1 | 60,948 | 58,994 | 1,954 | 3.2 |
| Scott | 4,399 | 4,272 | 127 | 2.9 | 4,281 | 4,179 | 102 | 2.4 | 4,213 | 4,066 | 147 | 3.5 |
| Searcy | 3,010 | 2,889 | 121 | 4.0 | 2,886 | 2,790 | 96 | 3.3 | 3,128 | 2,988 | 140 | 4.5 |
| Sebastian | 56,545 | 54,724 | 1,821 | 3.2 | 55,749 | 54,412 | 1,337 | 2.4 | 56,375 | 54,380 | 1,995 | 3.5 |
| Sevier | 5,520 | 5,321 | 199 | 3.6 | 5,406 | 5,250 | 156 | 2.9 | 5,492 | 5,252 | 240 | 4.4 |
| Sharp | 6,036 | 5,808 | 228 | 3.8 | 5,973 | 5,789 | 184 | 3.1 | 6,045 | 5,754 | 291 | 4.8 |
| Stone | 4,626 | 4,448 | 178 | 3.8 | 4,493 | 4,351 | 142 | 3.2 | 4,656 | 4,428 | 228 | 4.9 |
| Union | 14,958 | 14,325 | 633 | 4.2 | 14,694 | 14,166 | 528 | 3.6 | 15,171 | 14,396 | 775 | 5.1 |
| Van Buren | 6,210 | 5,989 | 221 | 3.6 | 6,059 | 5,877 | 182 | 3.0 | 6,172 | 5,874 | 298 | 4.8 |
| Washington | 139,044 | 136,031 | 3,013 | 2.2 | 138,486 | 136,026 | 2,460 | 1.8 | 134,471 | 130,773 | 3,698 | 2.8 |
| White | 34,831 | 33,692 | 1,139 | 3.3 | 34,481 | 33,542 | 939 | 2.7 | 34,897 | 33,508 | 1,389 | 4.0 |
| Woodruff | 2,909 | 2,822 | 87 | 3.0 | 2,869 | 2,786 | 83 | 2.9 | 2,742 | 2,634 | 108 | 3.9 |
| Yell | 7,963 | 7,669 | 294 | 3.7 | 7,916 | 7,686 | 230 | 2.9 | 7,879 | 7,515 | 364 | 4.6 |

# County Labor Force Summary

Not Seasonally Adjusted

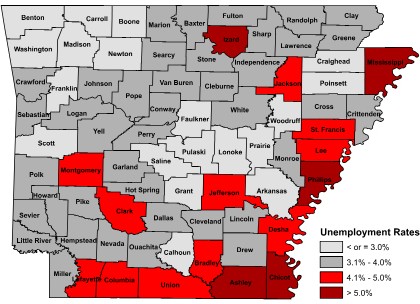
Between May and June, unemployment rates increased in all 75 Arkansas counties. Rates ranged from a low of 2.2% in Washington County to a high of 5.5% in Phillips County.

In June, nineteen counties posted a jobless rate at or below 3%. That is down sharply from 50 counties at or below three percent last month. For the fifth month in a row, no county in Arkansas reported a rate at or above seven percent.

Compared to June 2022, unemployment rates are down in all 75 Arkansas counties. Rate declines ranged from as little as a two-tenths of a percentage point decrease in Marion County to as large as a one and five-tenths of a percentage point drop in Chicot and Lincoln counties. The average jobless rate decline over-the-year was a decrease of eight-tenths of a percentage point.

**County Unemployment Rates**

**June**



# Ranked by Unemployment Rates

June 2023 (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

**Rank County**

1 Washington

2 Benton

3 Arkansas

3 Madison

5 Craighead

5 Lonoke

7 Calhoun

7 Carroll

7 Saline

10 Faulkner

10 Grant

12 Prairie

12 Pulaski

14 Boone

14 Franklin

14 Scott

17 Newton

17 Poinsett

17 Woodruff

20 Cross

20 Greene

20 Little River

23 Cleveland

23 Hempstead

23 Lawrence

**Rate**

2.2

2.3

2.4

2.4

2.5

2.5

2.6

2.6

2.6

2.7

2.7

2.8

2.8

2.9

2.9

2.9

3.0

3.0

3.0

3.1

3.1

3.1

3.2

3.2

3.2

**Rank County Rate**

23 Perry 3.2

23 Polk 3.2

23 Sebastian 3.2

29 Baxter 3.3

29 Crawford 3.3

29 Fulton 3.3

29 Hot Spring 3.3

29 Howard 3.3

29 White 3.3

35 Conway 3.4

35 Garland 3.4

35 Ouachita 3.4

35 Pike 3.4

35 Randolph 3.4

40 Lincoln 3.5

40 Miller 3.5

42 Cleburne 3.6

42 Dallas 3.6

42 Independence 3.6

42 Monroe 3.6

42 Sevier 3.6

42 Van Buren 3.6

48 Clay 3.7

48 Yell 3.7

50 Drew 3.8

**Rank County**

50 Logan

50 Marion

50 Nevada

50 Sharp

50 Stone

56 Crittenden

56 Johnson

56 Pope

59 Searcy

60 Columbia

60 Desha

62 Bradley

62 Jefferson

62 Union

65 St. Francis

66 Lafayette

66 Montgomery

68 Jackson

69 Lee

70 Clark

71 Ashley

72 Chicot

72 Izard

72 Mississippi

75 Phillips

**Rate**

3.8

3.8

3.8

3.8

3.8

3.9

3.9

3.9

4.0

4.1

4.1

4.2

4.2

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5.2

5.3

5.3

5.3

5.5

## **Local Workforce Development Areas**

**June**

**Civilian Labor Force Estimates**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | | **June 2023** | |  |  | **May 2023** | |  |  | **June 2022** | | |
| **LWDA** | **CLF** | **Emp Unemp** | | **Rate** | **CLF** | **Emp Unemp** | | **Rate** | **CLF** | **Emp Unemp Rate** | | |
| Central (minus LR) 264,780 | | 257,668 | 7,112 | 2.7 | 259,189 | 253,227 | 5,962 | 2.3 | 258,934 | 249,998 | 8,936 | 3.5 |
| City of Little Rock 100,878 | | 97,972 | 2,906 | 2.9 | 98,787 | 96,324 | 2,463 | 2.5 | 98,919 | 95,134 | 3,785 | 3.8 |
| Eastern 43,796 | | 42,018 | 1,778 | 4.1 | 43,005 | 41,517 | 1,488 | 3.5 | 43,977 | 41,859 | 2,118 | 4.8 |
| North Central 96,145 | | 92,682 | 3,463 | 3.6 | 94,717 | 91,957 | 2,760 | 2.9 | 96,029 | 91,872 | 4,157 | 4.3 |
| Northeast 126,336 | | 122,335 | 4,001 | 3.2 | 124,548 | 121,323 | 3,225 | 2.6 | 124,567 | 119,749 | 4,818 | 3.9 |
| Northwest 363,269 | | 354,598 | 8,671 | 2.4 | 360,720 | 353,684 | 7,036 | 2.0 | 353,849 | 343,504 | 10,345 | 2.9 |
| Southeast 77,005 | | 74,074 | 2,931 | 3.8 | 75,566 | 73,091 | 2,475 | 3.3 | 77,437 | 73,620 | 3,817 | 4.9 |
| Southwest 89,355 | | 86,107 | 3,248 | 3.6 | 88,059 | 85,406 | 2,653 | 3.0 | 90,079 | 86,115 | 3,964 | 4.4 |
| West Central 131,514  Western 111,879 | | 126,669  108,248 | 4,845  3,631 | 3.7  3.2 | 129,731  110,075 | 125,938  107,356 | 3,793  2,719 | 2.9  2.5 | 131,849  111,330 | 125,955  107,205 | 5,894  4,125 | 4.5  3.7 |
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