**Arkansas**

**Labor Market**

**Report**

**June 2016**



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Technical Notes

The *Arkansas Labor Market* is prepared monthly in conjunction with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bu- reau of Labor Statistics (BLS). The current month’s estimates are preliminary, while previous data are subject to revision.

Estimates of nonfarm payroll jobs show the num- ber 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 manufacturing industries.

Industries are classified according to the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS). All estimates are based on a first quarter 2015 benchmark.

**Explanation of Terms and Concepts**

**Monthly Business Survey of Employers**

A monthly sample survey designed to provide industry information on nonfarm payroll jobs. Data are compiled each month from mail surveys and telephone interviews conducted by the Bureau of Labor Statistics in cooperation with Department of Workforce Services. The data are based on establishment records and include all workers, full-or part-time, who received pay during the payroll period which includes the 12th of the

month. Approximately 5,000 Arkansas business

establishments are surveyed.

**Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA)**

A term applied by the U.S. Office of Management 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 survey of the population 16 years of age and over, designed to provide data on the labor force, the employed and the unem- ployed. The survey is conducted each month by the Bureau of the Census for BLS. The information is collected by trained interviewers from a sample of about 60,000 households. The data collected are based on the activity reported for the calendar week including the 12th of the month. Approxi- mately 800 Arkansas households are represented in the sample survey.

**Civilian Labor Force**

The sum of all employed and unemployed 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 workers in a family business dur- ing 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 seeking work during the calendar week which includes the 12th of the month.

**Unemployment Rate**

The number of unemployed 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, major holidays, schedule shifts, harvest times, and the opening/closing of schools.

June Spotlight

Local Employment Dynamics

Local Employment Dynamics (LED) is a coop- erative program between state labor market information agencies and the United States Census Bureau. The program combines statistical information from the Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW) Program with existing census data to pro- duce quarterly information on employment trends. The program’s most popular output, the Quarterly Workforce Indicators (QWI), provides information on employment activi- ties such as hiring, job creation, job separa- tion and turnover.

Because of the connection to QCEW sta- tistics, data produced by the LED program is particularly detailed but is only available on a quarterly basis. QWI are not only produced at the statewide level, but are also available for each county, Metropoli- tan Statistical Area, Workforce Investment Area, and many cities (based on population). Additionally, these employment indicators are produced and published by gender, age range, race/ethnicity, education level, and industry sector. All LED program infor- mation and statistics are available at [www.](http://www/) discover.arkansas.gov.

**Total Employment**- Total number of workers who were em- ployed by the same employer in both the current and previous quarter.

**Net Job Flows**- Difference between current and previous

quarter employment at each business.

**Job Creation**- The number of new jobs created, either by new area businesses or by the expansion of existing businesses.

**New Hires**- Total number of accessions\* that were also not employed by the particular business during the previous four quarters.

**Separations-** Total number of workers employed by a particu- lar business during the current quarter, but not during the sub- sequent quarter.

**Turnover Rate**- Turnover rate = (1/2) x (accessions\* + separa- tions), divided by total employment for all full quarter mea- sures.

**Average Monthly Earnings**- Total quarterly earnings of all full-quarter employees, divided by the number of full-quarter employees, divided by three.

**Average New Hire Earnings**- Total quarterly earnings of all full-quarter new hires, divided by the number of full-quarter new hires, divided by three.

\*Accessions are the total number of workers who were em- ployed by a business during the current quarter, but not the previous quarter.

**Local Employment Dynamics**

State of Arkansas

3rd Quarter 2014 - 3rd Quarter 2015

**Indicator 3rd Qtr 14 4th Qtr 14 1st Qtr 15 2nd Qtr 15 3rd Qtr 15**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Total Employment | 1,114,850 | 1,149,548 | 1,131,147 | 1,154,761 | 1,136,672 |
| Net Job Flows | 3,602 | -505 | 10,548 | 16,097 | N/A |
| Job Creation | 48,675 | 44,841 | 47,045 | 62,895 | N/A |
| New Hires | 216,721 | 203,013 | 178,331 | 234,089 | 232,529 |
| Separations | 213,409 | 203,734 | 167,579 | 218,205 | N/A |
| Turnover Rate | 9.1% | 9.1% | 9.4% | N/A | N/A |
| Avg Monthly Earnings | $3,277.00 | $3,636.00 | $3,504.00 | $3,466.00 | N/A |
| Avg New Hire Earnings | $2,029.00 | $2,205.00 | $1,939.00 | $2,233.00 | N/A |

Civilian Labor Force Summar y

Labor force data, produced by the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics and released by the Arkansas Department of Workforce Services, show Arkansas’ seasonally adjusted unemployment rate remained stable at 3.8 percent between May and June. Arkansas’ civilian labor force declined

2,803, a result of 3,147 fewer employed and 344 more unemployed Arkansans. The United States’ job-

less rate rose two-tenths of a percentage point, from 4.7 percent in May to 4.9 percent in June.

BLS Program Operations Manager Susan Price said, “While the number of employed in Arkansas de- clined slightly in June, employment is still up 48,742 over the year. Changes in employment and unem- ployment were not enough to raise the unemployment rate this month.”

Civilian Labor Force Estimates

Seasonally Adjusted Not Seasonally Adjusted

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Civilian Labor Force | **June 16**  1,359,425 | **May 16**  1,362,228 | **June 15**  1,328,930 | Civilian Labor Force | **June 16**  1,372,077 | **May 16**  1,361,449 | **June 15**  1,349,251 |
| Employment | 1,307,136 | 1,310,283 | 1,258,394 | Employment | 1,314,127 | 1,309,389 | 1,275,622 |
| Unemployment | 52,289 | 51,945 | 70,536 | Unemployment | 57,950 | 52,060 | 73,629 |
| Unemployment Rate | 3.8 | 3.8 | 5.3 | Unemployment Rate | 4.2 | 3.8 | 5.5 |
| U.S. Unemployment | 4.9 | 4.7 | 5.3 | U.S. Unemployment | 5.1 | 4.5 | 5.5 |

10.0

**Unemployment Rates (Seasonally Adjusted)**

State of Arkansas vs. United States

June: 2006 - 2016

9.0

8.0

7.0

6.0

5.0

4.0

3.0

2.0

1.0

0.0

'06 '07 '08 '09 '10 '11 '12 '13 '14 '15 '16

State of Arkansas United States

Nonfarm Payroll Jobs

Not Seasonally Adjusted

(In Thousands)

(NAICS)

**June 16 May 16 June 15**

**OTM OT Y**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Total Nonfarm | 1230.5 | 1235.7 | 1207.3 | -5.2 | 23.2 |
| Goods Producing | 210.4 | 209.3 | 212.3 | 1.1 | -1.9 |
| Mining, Logging, and Construction | 55.9 | 55.2 | 57.4 | 0.7 | -1.5 |
| **Mining & Logging 6.6 6.5 8.0 0.1 -1.4** | | | | | |
| **Construction** | **49.3** | **48.7** | **49.4** | **0.6** | **-0.1** |
| Specialty Trade Contractors | 32.7 | 32.3 | 31.4 | 0.4 | 1.3 |
| **Manufacturing** | **154.5** | **154.1** | **154.9** | **0.4** | **-0.4** |
| Durable Goods | 73.6 | 74.4 | 76.2 | -0.8 | -2.6 |
| Nondurable Goods | 80.9 | 79.7 | 78.7 | 1.2 | 2.2 |
| Service Providing | 1020.1 | 1026.4 | 995.0 | -6.3 | 25.1 |
| **Trade, Transportation & Utilities** | **257.9** | **258.5** | **252.9** | **-0.6** | **5.0** |
| Wholesale Trade | 49.3 | 49.4 | 47.6 | -0.1 | 1.7 |
| Retail Trade | 144.6 | 145.5 | 141.1 | -0.9 | 3.5 |
| Transport, Warehousing & Utilities | 64.0 | 63.6 | 64.2 | 0.4 | -0.2 |
| I**nformation** | **14.1** | **13.9** | **13.3** | **0.2** | **0.8** |
| **Financial Activities** | **49.6** | **49.6** | **49.4** | **0.0** | **0.2** |
| Finance & Insurance | 36.5 | 36.5 | 36.3 | 0.0 | 0.2 |
| Real Estate & Rental & Leasing | 13.1 | 13.1 | 13.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| **Professional & Business Services** | **144.8** | **143.9** | **136.6** | **0.9** | **8.2** |
| Professional, Scientific & Technical | 43.0 | 42.9 | 40.7 | 0.1 | 2.3 |
| Management of Companies | 35.2 | 34.8 | 33.6 | 0.4 | 1.6 |
| Administrative & Support Services | 66.6 | 66.2 | 62.3 | 0.4 | 4.3 |
| **Educational & Health Services** | **179.1** | **181.9** | **172.2** | **-2.8** | **6.9** |
| Educational Services | 12.3 | 14.6 | 11.7 | -2.3 | 0.6 |
| Health Care & Social Assistance | 166.8 | 167.3 | 160.5 | -0.5 | 6.3 |
| Ambulatory Health Care | 52.9 | 52.6 | 51.1 | 0.3 | 1.8 |
| Social Assistance | 39.9 | 41.1 | 38.3 | -1.2 | 1.6 |
| **Leisure & Hospitality 118.2 117.5 115.8 0.7 2.4** | | | | | |
| Arts, Entertainment & Recreation | 12.8 | 12.2 | 12.6 | 0.6 | 0.2 |
| Accommodation & Food Services | 105.4 | 105.3 | 103.2 | 0.1 | 2.2 |
| Accommodation Services | 12.5 | 11.6 | 12.3 | 0.9 | 0.2 |
| Food Services | 92.9 | 93.7 | 90.9 | -0.8 | 2.0 |
| **Other Services** | **45.1** | **44.5** | **44.2** | **0.6** | **0.9** |
| **Government** | **211.3** | **216.6** | **210.6** | **-5.3** | **0.7** |
| Federal Government | 20.6 | 20.3 | 20.3 | 0.3 | 0.3 |
| State Government | 75.1 | 79.3 | 74.5 | -4.2 | 0.6 |
| Local Government | 115.6 | 117.0 | 115.8 | -1.4 | -0.2 |

Nonfarm Payroll Job Summar y

May 2016 - June 2016

Arkansas’ nonfarm payroll jobs declined 5,200 in June to total 1,230,500. Small gains occurred in seven major industry sectors, while three sectors posted losses. Jobs in **government** dropped 5,300. De- clines in both state (-4,200) and local (-1,400) government were attributed to summer closures at public schools and universities. Employment in **educational and health services** decreased 2,800. Most of the loss was seasonal, posted in educational services (-2,300). The largest increase occurred in **profes- sional and business services** (+900), with gains in all three subsectors.

June 2015 - June 2016

Compared to June 2015, nonfarm payroll employment is up 23,200. Eight major industry sectors posted growth, while jobs in three sectors declined. **Professional and business services** added 8,200 jobs. A majority of the gains were in administrative and support services (+4,300), which includes employment agencies. Jobs in **educational and health services** increased 6,900, mostly in health care and social assistance (+6,300). Employment in **trade, transportation, and utilities** rose 5,000. Growth occurred in both retail (+3,500) and wholesale (+1,700) trade. **Leisure and hospitality** added 2,400 jobs, mostly in food services (+2,000). **Mining and logging** posted the largest decline, down 1,400. Losses were attributed to layoffs and closures throughout the industry.

16,000

**Jobs in Educational Services (Not Seasonally Adjusted)**

January 2014 - June 2016

15,000

14,000

13,000

12,000

11,000

10,000

J F M A M J J A S O N D

2014 2015 2016

Production Workers- Hours and Earnings

Manufacturing

**June 16 May 16**

**June 15**

Average Weekly Hours Average Hourly Earnings Average Weekly Earnings

41.5

15.84

657.36

40.6

15.96

647.98

40.5

16.15

654.08

Durable Goods and Nondurable Goods Manufacturing

Durable Goods Manufacturing Nondurable Goods Manufacturing

**June 16 May 16**

**June 15**

**June 16 May 16**

**June 15**

Average Weekly Hours Average Hourly Earnings Average Weekly Earnings

41.9

17.59

737.02

40.8

17.71

722.57

39.8

17.60

700.48

Average Weekly Hours Average Hourly Earnings Average Weekly Earnings

41.1

14.22

584.44

40.4

14.31

578.12

41.1

14.81

608.69

18.00

**Average Hourly Earnings: Durable Goods vs. Nondurable Goods**

June: 2006 - 2016

17.00

16.00

15.00

14.00

13.00

12.00

11.00

10.00

'06 '07 '08 '09 '10 '11 '12 '13 '14 '15 '16

Durable Goods Nondurable Goods

Little Rock-Nor th 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)

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **June 16** | **May 16** | **June 15** | **OTM** | **OT Y** |
| Civilian Labor Force | 359,122 | 354,812 | 349,563 | 4,310 | 9,559 |
| Employment | 345,719 | 342,739 | 332,650 | 2,980 | 13,069 |
| Unemployment | 13,403 | 12,073 | 16,913 | 1,330 | -3,510 |
| Unemployment Rate | 3.7 | 3.4 | 4.8 | 0.3 | -1.1 |

Nonfarm Payroll Jobs (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

(In Thousands)

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **NAICS**  Total Nonfarm | **June 16**  357.3 | **May 16**  358.1 | **June 15**  349.5 | **OTM**  -0.8 | **OT Y**  7.8 |
| Goods Producing | 36.9 | 36.6 | 37.5 | 0.3 | -0.6 |
| **Mining, Logging & Construction** | **16.5** | **16.3** | **17.1** | **0.2** | **-0.6** |
| **Manufacturing** | **20.4** | **20.3** | **20.4** | **0.1** | **0.0** |
| Service Providing 320.4 321.5 312.0 -1.1 8.4 | | | | | |
| **Trade, Transportation & Utilities** | **70.8** | **70.7** | **68.7** | **0.1** | **2.1** |
| Wholesale Trade | 15.3 | 15.3 | 15.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Retail Trade | 40.6 | 40.6 | 38.8 | 0.0 | 1.8 |
| Trans., Warehousing & Utilities | 14.9 | 14.8 | 14.6 | 0.1 | 0.3 |
| **Information** | **6.3** | **6.2** | **6.3** | **0.1** | **0.0** |
| **Financial Activities** | **20.8** | **20.7** | **20.7** | **0.1** | **0.1** |
| **Professional & Business Services** | **48.8** | **48.7** | **45.5** | **0.1** | **3.3** |
| **Educational & Health Services** | **53.1** | **53.4** | **51.6** | **-0.3** | **1.5** |
| **Leisure & Hospitality** | **34.7** | **35.4** | **33.9** | **-0.7** | **0.8** |
| **Other Services** | **15.6** | **15.3** | **15.3** | **0.3** | **0.3** |
| **Government** | **70.3** | **71.1** | **70.0** | **-0.8** | **0.3** |
| Federal Government | 9.8 | 9.7 | 9.6 | 0.1 | 0.2 |
| State Government | 33.7 | 34.6 | 33.4 | -0.9 | 0.3 |
| Local Government | 26.8 | 26.8 | 27.0 | 0.0 | -0.2 |

10.0

**Unemployment Rates**

June: 2006 - 2016

50,000

**Jobs in Professional and Business Services**

June 2014 - June 2016

9.0

49,000

8.0

48,000

7.0

47,000

6.0

46,000

5.0

45,000

4.0

44,000

3.0

43,000

2.0

1.0

0.0

'06 '07 '08 '09 '10 '11 '12 '13 '14 '15 '16

42,000

41,000

Jun

'14

Sep

'14

Dec

'14

Mar

'15

Jun

'15

Sep

'15

Dec

'15

Mar

'16

Jun

'16

Fayetteville-Springdale-Rogers MSA



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

Civilian Labor Force Estimates (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **June 16** | **May 16** | **June 15** | **OTM** | **OT Y** |
| Civilian Labor Force | 266,328 | 263,569 | 255,723 | 2,759 | 10,605 |
| Employment | 257,978 | 256,186 | 245,306 | 1,792 | 12,672 |
| Unemployment | 8,350 | 7,383 | 10,417 | 967 | -2,067 |
| Unemployment Rate | 3.1 | 2.8 | 4.1 | 0.3 | -1.0 |

Nonfarm Payroll Jobs (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

(In Thousands)

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **NAICS**  Total Nonfarm | **June 16**  243.8 | **May 16**  244.8 | **June 15**  234.7 | **OTM**  -1.0 | **OT Y**  9.1 |
| Goods Producing | 36.8 | 36.2 | 36.7 | 0.6 | 0.1 |
| **Mining, Logging & Construction** | **10.4** | **10.1** | **9.6** | **0.3** | **0.8** |
| **Manufacturing** | **26.4** | **26.1** | **27.1** | **0.3** | **-0.7** |
| Service Providing 207.0 208.6 198.0 -1.6 9.0 | | | | | |
| **Trade, Transportation & Utilities** | **55.3** | **55.4** | **54.1** | **-0.1** | **1.2** |
| Wholesale Trade | 12.3 | 12.2 | 11.6 | 0.1 | 0.7 |
| Retail Trade | 26.5 | 26.8 | 26.0 | -0.3 | 0.5 |
| Trans., Warehousing & Utilities | 16.5 | 16.4 | 16.5 | 0.1 | 0.0 |
| **Information** | **2.1** | **2.0** | **2.0** | **0.1** | **0.1** |
| **Financial Activities** | **7.0** | **7.0** | **6.9** | **0.0** | **0.1** |
| **Professional & Business Services** | **51.2** | **50.9** | **47.0** | **0.3** | **4.2** |
| **Educational & Health Services** | **26.2** | **26.7** | **25.0** | **-0.5** | **1.2** |
| **Leisure & Hospitality** | **25.0** | **24.4** | **24.0** | **0.6** | **1.0** |
| **Other Services** | **7.4** | **7.3** | **7.2** | **0.1** | **0.2** |
| **Government** | **32.8** | **34.9** | **31.8** | **-2.1** | **1.0** |
| Federal Government | 2.6 | 2.6 | 2.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| State Government | 11.5 | 13.6 | 10.8 | -2.1 | 0.7 |
| Local Government | 18.7 | 18.7 | 18.4 | 0.0 | 0.3 |

250,000

**Jobs in Service Providing Industries**

June: 1996 - 2016

200,000

150,000

100,000

50,000

0

'96 '97 '98 '99 '00 '01 '02 '03 '04 '05 '06 '07 '08 '09 '10 '11 '12 '13 '14 '15 '16

For t Smith MSA

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

Civilian Labor Force Estimates (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **June 16** | **May 16** | **June 15** | **OTM** | **OT Y** |
| Civilian Labor Force | 123,083 | 121,906 | 122,779 | 1,177 | 304 |
| Employment | 116,990 | 116,302 | 115,730 | 688 | 1,260 |
| Unemployment | 6,093 | 5,604 | 7,049 | 489 | -956 |
| Unemployment Rate | 5.0 | 4.6 | 5.7 | 0.4 | -0.7 |

Nonfarm Payroll Jobs (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

(In Thousands)

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **NAICS**  Total Nonfarm | **June 16**  114.0 | **May 16**  114.6 | **June 15**  113.4 | **OTM**  -0.6 | **OT Y**  0.6 |
| Goods Producing | 23.5 | 23.7 | 23.8 | -0.2 | -0.3 |
| **Mining, Logging & Construction** | **5.8** | **5.8** | **6.1** | **0.0** | **-0.3** |
| **Manufacturing** | **17.7** | **17.9** | **17.7** | **-0.2** | **0.0** |
| Service Providing 90.5 90.9 89.6 -0.4 0.9 | | | | | |
| **Trade, Transportation & Utilities** | **24.1** | **23.8** | **23.8** | **0.3** | **0.3** |
| Wholesale Trade | 4.4 | 4.3 | 4.2 | 0.1 | 0.2 |
| Retail Trade | 13.1 | 12.9 | 12.8 | 0.2 | 0.3 |
| Trans., Warehousing & Utilities | 6.6 | 6.6 | 6.8 | 0.0 | -0.2 |
| **Information** | **1.2** | **1.2** | **1.2** | **0.0** | **0.0** |
| **Financial Activities** | **3.7** | **3.7** | **3.8** | **0.0** | **-0.1** |
| **Professional & Business Services** | **12.0** | **12.1** | **12.2** | **-0.1** | **-0.2** |
| **Educational & Health Services** | **16.8** | **16.9** | **16.5** | **-0.1** | **0.3** |
| **Leisure & Hospitality** | **9.8** | **9.6** | **9.7** | **0.2** | **0.1** |
| **Other Services** | **4.4** | **4.4** | **4.4** | **0.0** | **0.0** |
| **Government** | **18.5** | **19.2** | **18.0** | **-0.7** | **0.5** |
| Federal Government | 1.4 | 1.4 | 1.3 | 0.0 | 0.1 |
| State Government | 2.9 | 3.2 | 2.9 | -0.3 | 0.0 |
| Local Government | 14.2 | 14.6 | 13.8 | -0.4 | 0.4 |

119,000

**Number of Employed**

January 2014 - June 2016

125,000

**Nonfarm Payroll Jobs**

June: 2006 - 2016

117,000

120,000

115,000

113,000

115,000

111,000

109,000

110,000

107,000

105,000

105,000

J F M A M J J A S O N D

2014 2015 2016

100,000

'06 '07 '08 '09 '10 '11 '12 '13 '14 '15 '16

Hot Springs MSA

The Hot Springs MSA= Garland County.

Civilian Labor Force Estimates (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **June 16** | **May 16** | **June 15** | **OTM** | **OT Y** |
| Civilian Labor Force | 41,419 | 40,985 | 40,683 | 434 | 736 |
| Employment | 39,569 | 39,307 | 38,334 | 262 | 1,235 |
| Unemployment | 1,850 | 1,678 | 2,349 | 172 | -499 |
| Unemployment Rate | 4.5 | 4.1 | 5.8 | 0.4 | -1.3 |

Nonfarm Payroll Jobs (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

(In Thousands)

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **June 16** | **May 16** | **June 15** | **OTM** | **OT Y** |
| 39.2 | 38.7 | 37.8 | 0.5 | 1.4 |
| 4.5 | 4.5 | 4.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 34.7 | 34.2 | 33.3 | 0.5 | 1.4 |
| 4.5 | 4.8 | 4.4 | -0.3 | 0.1 |

**NAICS**

Total Nonfarm Goods Producing Service Providing Government

35,000

**Jobs in Service Providing Industries**

January 2014 - June 2016

34,500

34,000

33,500

33,000

32,500

32,000

31,500

J F M A M J J A S O N D

2014 2015 2016

Jonesboro MSA

The Jonesboro MSA= Craighead & Poinsett counties.

Civilian Labor Force Estimates (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **June 16** | **May 16** | **June 15** | **OTM** | **OT Y** |
| Civilian Labor Force | 63,096 | 62,475 | 61,587 | 621 | 1,509 |
| Employment | 60,767 | 60,456 | 58,449 | 311 | 2,318 |
| Unemployment | 2,329 | 2,019 | 3,138 | 310 | -809 |
| Unemployment Rate | 3.7 | 3.2 | 5.1 | 0.5 | -1.4 |

Nonfarm Payroll Jobs (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

(In Thousands)

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **June 16** | **May 16** | **June 15** | **OTM** | **OT Y** |
| 55.8 | 55.8 | 54.0 | 0.0 | 1.8 |
| 9.1 | 9.0 | 8.9 | 0.1 | 0.2 |
| 46.7 | 46.8 | 45.1 | -0.1 | 1.6 |
| 8.8 | 9.0 | 8.7 | -0.2 | 0.1 |

**NAICS**

Total Nonfarm Goods Producing Service Providing Government

9.0

**Unemployment Rates**

June: 2006 - 2016

8.0

7.0

6.0

5.0

4.0

3.0

2.0

1.0

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'06 '07 '08 '09 '10 '11 '12 '13 '14 '15 '16

Pine Bluff MSA

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

Civilian Labor Force Estimates (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

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|  | **June 16** | **May 16** | **June 15** | **OTM** | **OT Y** |
| Civilian Labor Force | 37,044 | 36,617 | 37,225 | 427 | -181 |
| Employment | 34,916 | 34,706 | 34,495 | 210 | 421 |
| Unemployment | 2,128 | 1,911 | 2,730 | 217 | -602 |
| Unemployment Rate | 5.7 | 5.2 | 7.3 | 0.5 | -1.6 |

Nonfarm Payroll Jobs (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

(In Thousands)

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **June 16** | **May 16** | **June 15** | **OTM** | **OT Y** |
| 33.6 | 33.8 | 33.8 | -0.2 | -0.2 |
| 6.0 | 6.0 | 6.3 | 0.0 | -0.3 |
| 27.6 | 27.8 | 27.5 | -0.2 | 0.1 |
| 9.5 | 9.6 | 9.6 | -0.1 | -0.1 |

**NAICS**

Total Nonfarm Goods Producing Service Providing Government

40,000

**Number of Employed**

June 2012 - June 2016

39,000

38,000

37,000

36,000

35,000

34,000

33,000

32,000

31,000

30,000

Jun '12 Dec '12 Jun '13 Dec '13 Jun '14 Dec '14 Jun '15 Dec '15 Jun '16

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.

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|  | **June 16** | **May 16** | **June 15** | **OTM** | **OT Y** |
| Civilian Labor Force | 630,469 | 620,522 | 621,896 | 9,947 | 8,573 |
| Employment | 594,325 | 592,302 | 578,783 | 2,023 | 15,542 |
| Unemployment | 36,144 | 28,220 | 43,113 | 7,924 | -6,969 |
| Unemployment Rate | 5.7 | 4.5 | 6.9 | 1.2 | -1.2 |

Texarkana MSA

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

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|  | **June 16** | **May 16** | **June 15** | **OTM** | **OT Y** |
| Civilian Labor Force | 65,692 | 65,117 | 65,300 | 575 | 392 |
| Employment | 62,723 | 62,521 | 61,909 | 202 | 814 |
| Unemployment | 2,969 | 2,596 | 3,391 | 373 | -422 |
| Unemployment Rate | 4.5 | 4.0 | 5.2 | 0.5 | -0.7 |

70,000

**Unemployment- Memphis MSA**

June: 2006 - 2016

8,000

**Unemployment- Texarkana MSA**

June: 2006 - 2016

60,000

7,000

50,000

6,000

40,000

5,000

4,000

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20,000

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'06 '07 '08 '09 '10 '11 '12 '13 '14 '15 '16

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'06 '07 '08 '09 '10 '11 '12 '13 '14 '15 '16

Micropolitan Labor Force Estimates (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Micro Area** | **CLF** | **June**  **Emp** | **2016**  **Unemp** | **Rate** | **CLF** | **May**  **Emp** | **2016**  **Unemp** | **Rate** | **CLF** | **Jun**  **Emp** | **e 2015**  **Unemp** | **Rate** |
| Arkadelphia Micro | 9,554 | 9,040 | 514 | 5.4 | 9,772 | 9,367 | 405 | 4.1 | 9,339 | 8,702 | 637 | 6.8 |
| Batesville Micro | 16,369 | 15,532 | 837 | 5.1 | 16,412 | 15,646 | 766 | 4.7 | 15,913 | 14,836 | 1,077 | 6.8 |
| Blytheville Micro | 18,014 | 16,388 | 1,626 | 9.0 | 18,085 | 16,790 | 1,295 | 7.2 | 18,634 | 16,449 | 2,185 | 11.7 |
| Camden Micro | 12,633 | 11,929 | 704 | 5.6 | 12,473 | 11,900 | 573 | 4.6 | 12,517 | 11,689 | 828 | 6.6 |
| El Dorado Micro | 17,565 | 16,539 | 1,026 | 5.8 | 17,257 | 16,388 | 869 | 5.0 | 17,095 | 15,943 | 1,152 | 6.7 |
| Forrest City Micro | 9,071 | 8,584 | 487 | 5.4 | 8,953 | 8,523 | 430 | 4.8 | 9,197 | 8,511 | 686 | 7.5 |
| Harrison Micro | 19,859 | 19,117 | 742 | 3.7 | 19,709 | 19,019 | 690 | 3.5 | 19,569 | 18,585 | 984 | 5.0 |
| Helena-West Helena Micro | 7,051 | 6,633 | 418 | 5.9 | 7,055 | 6,680 | 375 | 5.3 | 7,198 | 6,654 | 544 | 7.6 |
| Magnolia Micro | 9,651 | 9,026 | 625 | 6.5 | 9,667 | 9,124 | 543 | 5.6 | 9,669 | 8,955 | 714 | 7.4 |
| Malvern Micro | 14,585 | 13,972 | 613 | 4.2 | 14,443 | 13,908 | 535 | 3.7 | 14,420 | 13,621 | 799 | 5.5 |
| Mountain Home Micro | 16,368 | 15,686 | 682 | 4.2 | 16,416 | 15,764 | 652 | 4.0 | 16,539 | 15,610 | 929 | 5.6 |
| Paragould Micro | 20,202 | 19,269 | 933 | 4.6 | 20,109 | 19,341 | 768 | 3.8 | 20,431 | 19,292 | 1,139 | 5.6 |
| Russellville Micro | 39,249 | 37,233 | 2,016 | 5.1 | 39,429 | 37,640 | 1,789 | 4.5 | 39,090 | 36,744 | 2,346 | 6.0 |
| Searcy Micro | 35,027 | 33,141 | 1,886 | 5.4 | 35,212 | 33,384 | 1,828 | 5.2 | 34,684 | 32,314 | 2,370 | 6.8 |

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

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 Magnolia Micro= Columbia County

Malvern Micro= Hot Spring County

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

City Labor Force Statistics (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

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| **City** | **CLF** | **June**  **Emp** | **2016**  **Unemp** | **Rate** | **CLF** | **May**  **Emp** | **2016**  **Unemp** | **Rate** | **CLF** | **Jun**  **Emp** | **e 2015**  **Unemp** | **Rate** |
| Bella Vista | 12,213 | 11,796 | 417 | 3.4 | 12,116 | 11,706 | 410 | 3.4 | 11,724 | 11,198 | 526 | 4.5 |
| Benton | 16,505 | 15,954 | 551 | 3.3 | 16,313 | 15,807 | 506 | 3.1 | 16,101 | 15,333 | 768 | 4.8 |
| Bentonville | 22,853 | 22,172 | 681 | 3.0 | 22,630 | 22,002 | 628 | 2.8 | 21,881 | 21,047 | 834 | 3.8 |
| Blytheville | 6,175 | 5,595 | 580 | 9.4 | 6,201 | 5,732 | 469 | 7.6 | 6,564 | 5,616 | 948 | 14.4 |
| Cabot | 12,028 | 11,628 | 400 | 3.3 | 11,910 | 11,563 | 347 | 2.9 | 11,737 | 11,252 | 485 | 4.1 |
| Conway | 33,776 | 32,494 | 1,282 | 3.8 | 33,385 | 32,229 | 1,156 | 3.5 | 32,877 | 31,288 | 1,589 | 4.8 |
| El Dorado | 7,641 | 7,132 | 509 | 6.7 | 7,478 | 7,067 | 411 | 5.5 | 7,435 | 6,875 | 560 | 7.5 |
| Fayetteville | 46,530 | 44,980 | 1,550 | 3.3 | 45,903 | 44,645 | 1,258 | 2.7 | 44,643 | 42,709 | 1,934 | 4.3 |
| Fort Smith | 40,710 | 39,146 | 1,564 | 3.8 | 40,268 | 38,821 | 1,447 | 3.6 | 40,371 | 38,308 | 2,063 | 5.1 |
| Hot Springs | 14,504 | 13,754 | 750 | 5.2 | 14,306 | 13,663 | 643 | 4.5 | 14,246 | 13,325 | 921 | 6.5 |
| Jacksonville | 12,166 | 11,570 | 596 | 4.9 | 11,987 | 11,462 | 525 | 4.4 | 11,799 | 11,118 | 681 | 5.8 |
| Jonesboro | 36,772 | 35,431 | 1,341 | 3.6 | 36,361 | 35,210 | 1,151 | 3.2 | 35,813 | 34,004 | 1,809 | 5.1 |
| Little Rock | 99,240 | 95,523 | 3,717 | 3.7 | 97,831 | 94,632 | 3,199 | 3.3 | 96,484 | 91,792 | 4,692 | 4.9 |
| North Little Rock | 30,865 | 29,634 | 1,231 | 4.0 | 30,460 | 29,358 | 1,102 | 3.6 | 30,063 | 28,477 | 1,586 | 5.3 |
| Paragould | 12,616 | 11,997 | 619 | 4.9 | 12,543 | 12,042 | 501 | 4.0 | 12,777 | 12,012 | 765 | 6.0 |
| Pine Bluff | 17,752 | 16,504 | 1,248 | 7.0 | 17,458 | 16,372 | 1,086 | 6.2 | 17,848 | 16,255 | 1,593 | 8.9 |
| Rogers | 33,759 | 32,778 | 981 | 2.9 | 33,420 | 32,528 | 892 | 2.7 | 32,517 | 31,116 | 1,401 | 4.3 |
| Russellville | 14,021 | 13,277 | 744 | 5.3 | 14,039 | 13,403 | 636 | 4.5 | 13,926 | 13,064 | 862 | 6.2 |
| Searcy | 10,702 | 10,213 | 489 | 4.6 | 10,731 | 10,288 | 443 | 4.1 | 10,631 | 9,958 | 673 | 6.3 |
| Sherwood | 15,894 | 15,412 | 482 | 3.0 | 15,714 | 15,269 | 445 | 2.8 | 15,475 | 14,810 | 665 | 4.3 |
| Springdale | 38,815 | 37,676 | 1,139 | 2.9 | 38,453 | 37,394 | 1,059 | 2.8 | 37,138 | 35,773 | 1,365 | 3.7 |
| Texarkana, AR | 14,005 | 13,374 | 631 | 4.5 | 13,792 | 13,251 | 541 | 3.9 | 13,893 | 13,089 | 804 | 5.8 |
| Van Buren | 10,638 | 10,220 | 418 | 3.9 | 10,522 | 10,150 | 372 | 3.5 | 10,612 | 10,027 | 585 | 5.5 |
| West Memphis | 10,871 | 10,263 | 608 | 5.6 | 10,794 | 10,256 | 538 | 5.0 | 10,847 | 10,020 | 827 | 7.6 |

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| **County** | **CLF** | **June**  **Emp** | **2016**  **Unemp** | **Rate** | **CLF** | **May**  **Emp** | **2016**  **Unemp** | **Rate** | **CLF** | **June**  **Emp** | **2015**  **Unemp** | **Rate** |
| Arkansas | 9,769 | 9,436 | 333 | 3.4 | 9,742 | 9,428 | 314 | 3.2 | 9,602 | 9,192 | 410 | 4.3 |
| Ashley | 8,418 | 7,916 | 502 | 6.0 | 8,374 | 7,923 | 451 | 5.4 | 8,428 | 7,742 | 686 | 8.1 |
| Baxter | 16,368 | 15,686 | 682 | 4.2 | 16,416 | 15,764 | 652 | 4.0 | 16,539 | 15,610 | 929 | 5.6 |
| Benton | 126,609 | 122,728 | 3,881 | 3.1 | 125,345 | 121,792 | 3,553 | 2.8 | 121,498 | 116,505 | 4,993 | 4.1 |
| Boone | 16,366 | 15,758 | 608 | 3.7 | 16,228 | 15,660 | 568 | 3.5 | 16,114 | 15,290 | 824 | 5.1 |
| Bradley | 4,762 | 4,477 | 285 | 6.0 | 4,655 | 4,466 | 189 | 4.1 | 4,577 | 4,310 | 267 | 5.8 |
| Calhoun | 2,437 | 2,304 | 133 | 5.5 | 2,422 | 2,313 | 109 | 4.5 | 2,425 | 2,284 | 141 | 5.8 |
| Carroll | 13,350 | 12,931 | 419 | 3.1 | 13,327 | 12,904 | 423 | 3.2 | 12,963 | 12,404 | 559 | 4.3 |
| Chicot | 3,715 | 3,474 | 241 | 6.5 | 3,711 | 3,482 | 229 | 6.2 | 3,883 | 3,522 | 361 | 9.3 |
| Clark | 9,554 | 9,040 | 514 | 5.4 | 9,772 | 9,367 | 405 | 4.1 | 9,339 | 8,702 | 637 | 6.8 |
| Clay | 6,254 | 5,899 | 355 | 5.7 | 6,266 | 5,949 | 317 | 5.1 | 6,494 | 6,083 | 411 | 6.3 |
| Cleburne | 9,948 | 9,369 | 579 | 5.8 | 9,832 | 9,253 | 579 | 5.9 | 9,869 | 9,161 | 708 | 7.2 |
| Cleveland | 3,447 | 3,283 | 164 | 4.8 | 3,438 | 3,285 | 153 | 4.5 | 3,477 | 3,276 | 201 | 5.8 |
| Columbia | 9,651 | 9,026 | 625 | 6.5 | 9,667 | 9,124 | 543 | 5.6 | 9,669 | 8,955 | 714 | 7.4 |
| Conway | 8,886 | 8,359 | 527 | 5.9 | 8,831 | 8,303 | 528 | 6.0 | 8,767 | 8,206 | 561 | 6.4 |
| Craighead | 52,550 | 50,676 | 1,874 | 3.6 | 51,976 | 50,360 | 1,616 | 3.1 | 51,150 | 48,635 | 2,515 | 4.9 |
| Crawford | 27,422 | 26,267 | 1,155 | 4.2 | 27,138 | 26,087 | 1,051 | 3.9 | 27,294 | 25,772 | 1,522 | 5.6 |
| Crittenden | 21,871 | 20,796 | 1,075 | 4.9 | 21,718 | 20,781 | 937 | 4.3 | 21,798 | 20,304 | 1,494 | 6.9 |
| Cross | 8,178 | 7,831 | 347 | 4.2 | 8,173 | 7,838 | 335 | 4.1 | 8,378 | 7,934 | 444 | 5.3 |
| Dallas | 3,081 | 2,920 | 161 | 5.2 | 3,037 | 2,898 | 139 | 4.6 | 2,950 | 2,731 | 219 | 7.4 |
| Desha | 5,641 | 5,339 | 302 | 5.4 | 5,606 | 5,331 | 275 | 4.9 | 5,803 | 5,376 | 427 | 7.4 |
| Drew | 8,129 | 7,660 | 469 | 5.8 | 8,281 | 7,855 | 426 | 5.1 | 8,054 | 7,435 | 619 | 7.7 |
| Faulkner | 61,838 | 59,305 | 2,533 | 4.1 | 61,193 | 58,820 | 2,373 | 3.9 | 60,177 | 57,103 | 3,074 | 5.1 |
| Franklin | 7,583 | 7,249 | 334 | 4.4 | 7,579 | 7,270 | 309 | 4.1 | 7,585 | 7,160 | 425 | 5.6 |
| Fulton | 4,878 | 4,676 | 202 | 4.1 | 4,877 | 4,671 | 206 | 4.2 | 4,968 | 4,702 | 266 | 5.4 |
| Garland | 41,419 | 39,569 | 1,850 | 4.5 | 40,985 | 39,307 | 1,678 | 4.1 | 40,683 | 38,334 | 2,349 | 5.8 |
| Grant | 8,576 | 8,254 | 322 | 3.8 | 8,487 | 8,201 | 286 | 3.4 | 8,383 | 7,980 | 403 | 4.8 |
| Greene | 20,202 | 19,269 | 933 | 4.6 | 20,109 | 19,341 | 768 | 3.8 | 20,431 | 19,292 | 1,139 | 5.6 |
| Hempstead | 10,203 | 9,810 | 393 | 3.9 | 10,161 | 9,791 | 370 | 3.6 | 10,077 | 9,555 | 522 | 5.2 |
| Hot Spring | 14,585 | 13,972 | 613 | 4.2 | 14,443 | 13,908 | 535 | 3.7 | 14,420 | 13,621 | 799 | 5.5 |
| Howard | 6,271 | 6,057 | 214 | 3.4 | 6,301 | 6,103 | 198 | 3.1 | 6,227 | 5,941 | 286 | 4.6 |
| Independence | 16,369 | 15,532 | 837 | 5.1 | 16,412 | 15,646 | 766 | 4.7 | 15,913 | 14,836 | 1,077 | 6.8 |
| Izard | 5,022 | 4,710 | 312 | 6.2 | 5,116 | 4,854 | 262 | 5.1 | 4,989 | 4,646 | 343 | 6.9 |
| Jackson | 6,342 | 5,954 | 388 | 6.1 | 6,354 | 5,986 | 368 | 5.8 | 6,404 | 5,920 | 484 | 7.6 |
| Jefferson | 29,398 | 27,648 | 1,750 | 6.0 | 28,991 | 27,426 | 1,565 | 5.4 | 29,493 | 27,230 | 2,263 | 7.7 |
| Johnson | 10,631 | 10,064 | 567 | 5.3 | 10,627 | 10,116 | 511 | 4.8 | 10,712 | 9,998 | 714 | 6.7 |
| Lafayette | 2,619 | 2,463 | 156 | 6.0 | 2,622 | 2,484 | 138 | 5.3 | 2,695 | 2,467 | 228 | 8.5 |
| Lawrence | 6,982 | 6,653 | 329 | 4.7 | 7,169 | 6,890 | 279 | 3.9 | 6,998 | 6,541 | 457 | 6.5 |
| Lee | 3,197 | 3,040 | 157 | 4.9 | 3,208 | 3,071 | 137 | 4.3 | 3,335 | 3,117 | 218 | 6.5 |
| Lincoln | 4,199 | 3,985 | 214 | 5.1 | 4,188 | 3,995 | 193 | 4.6 | 4,255 | 3,989 | 266 | 6.3 |
| Little River | 5,770 | 5,510 | 260 | 4.5 | 5,685 | 5,452 | 233 | 4.1 | 5,713 | 5,386 | 327 | 5.7 |
| Logan | 9,400 | 8,926 | 474 | 5.0 | 9,344 | 8,901 | 443 | 4.7 | 9,473 | 8,866 | 607 | 6.4 |
| Lonoke | 34,172 | 32,955 | 1,217 | 3.6 | 33,837 | 32,769 | 1,068 | 3.2 | 33,393 | 31,890 | 1,503 | 4.5 |
| Madison | 7,502 | 7,251 | 251 | 3.3 | 7,506 | 7,274 | 232 | 3.1 | 7,331 | 7,036 | 295 | 4.0 |
| Marion | 6,701 | 6,432 | 269 | 4.0 | 6,652 | 6,407 | 245 | 3.7 | 6,679 | 6,320 | 359 | 5.4 |
| Miller | 20,198 | 19,364 | 834 | 4.1 | 19,928 | 19,185 | 743 | 3.7 | 20,040 | 18,951 | 1,089 | 5.4 |

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| **County** | **CLF** | **June**  **Emp** | **2016**  **Unemp** | **Rate** | **CLF** | **May**  **Emp** | **2016**  **Unemp** | **Rate** | **CLF** | **Jun**  **Emp** | **e 2015**  **Unemp** | **Rate** |
| Mississippi | 18,014 | 16,388 | 1,626 | 9.0 | 18,085 | 16,790 | 1,295 | 7.2 | 18,634 | 16,449 | 2,185 | 11.7 |
| Monroe | 3,024 | 2,860 | 164 | 5.4 | 3,020 | 2,891 | 129 | 4.3 | 3,113 | 2,933 | 180 | 5.8 |
| Montgomery | 3,655 | 3,487 | 168 | 4.6 | 3,289 | 3,137 | 152 | 4.6 | 3,834 | 3,597 | 237 | 6.2 |
| Nevada | 3,806 | 3,651 | 155 | 4.1 | 3,767 | 3,630 | 137 | 3.6 | 3,731 | 3,531 | 200 | 5.4 |
| Newton | 3,493 | 3,359 | 134 | 3.8 | 3,481 | 3,359 | 122 | 3.5 | 3,455 | 3,295 | 160 | 4.6 |
| Ouachita | 10,196 | 9,625 | 571 | 5.6 | 10,051 | 9,587 | 464 | 4.6 | 10,092 | 9,405 | 687 | 6.8 |
| Perry | 4,336 | 4,128 | 208 | 4.8 | 4,318 | 4,112 | 206 | 4.8 | 4,252 | 4,006 | 246 | 5.8 |
| Phillips | 7,051 | 6,633 | 418 | 5.9 | 7,055 | 6,680 | 375 | 5.3 | 7,198 | 6,654 | 544 | 7.6 |
| Pike | 4,356 | 4,158 | 198 | 4.5 | 4,350 | 4,171 | 179 | 4.1 | 4,322 | 4,043 | 279 | 6.5 |
| Poinsett | 10,546 | 10,091 | 455 | 4.3 | 10,499 | 10,096 | 403 | 3.8 | 10,437 | 9,814 | 623 | 6.0 |
| Polk | 8,399 | 7,978 | 421 | 5.0 | 8,395 | 7,998 | 397 | 4.7 | 8,647 | 8,093 | 554 | 6.4 |
| Pope | 30,093 | 28,525 | 1,568 | 5.2 | 30,172 | 28,794 | 1,378 | 4.6 | 29,887 | 28,066 | 1,821 | 6.1 |
| Prairie | 3,745 | 3,599 | 146 | 3.9 | 3,769 | 3,632 | 137 | 3.6 | 3,878 | 3,688 | 190 | 4.9 |
| Pulaski | 192,992 | 185,739 | 7,253 | 3.8 | 190,405 | 184,007 | 6,398 | 3.4 | 187,658 | 178,484 | 9,174 | 4.9 |
| Randolph | 6,026 | 5,714 | 312 | 5.2 | 6,072 | 5,793 | 279 | 4.6 | 6,301 | 5,835 | 466 | 7.4 |
| St. Francis | 9,071 | 8,584 | 487 | 5.4 | 8,953 | 8,523 | 430 | 4.8 | 9,197 | 8,511 | 686 | 7.5 |
| Saline | 57,208 | 55,338 | 1,870 | 3.3 | 56,572 | 54,830 | 1,742 | 3.1 | 55,700 | 53,187 | 2,513 | 4.5 |
| Scott | 4,632 | 4,448 | 184 | 4.0 | 4,612 | 4,443 | 169 | 3.7 | 4,689 | 4,426 | 263 | 5.6 |
| Searcy | 3,110 | 2,970 | 140 | 4.5 | 3,080 | 2,946 | 134 | 4.4 | 3,220 | 3,042 | 178 | 5.5 |
| Sebastian | 58,577 | 56,298 | 2,279 | 3.9 | 57,936 | 55,831 | 2,105 | 3.6 | 58,048 | 55,093 | 2,955 | 5.1 |
| Sevier | 5,781 | 5,473 | 308 | 5.3 | 5,819 | 5,547 | 272 | 4.7 | 5,741 | 5,377 | 364 | 6.3 |
| Sharp | 6,175 | 5,844 | 331 | 5.4 | 6,101 | 5,778 | 323 | 5.3 | 6,183 | 5,746 | 437 | 7.1 |
| Stone | 4,836 | 4,588 | 248 | 5.1 | 4,817 | 4,586 | 231 | 4.8 | 4,887 | 4,576 | 311 | 6.4 |
| Union | 17,565 | 16,539 | 1,026 | 5.8 | 17,257 | 16,388 | 869 | 5.0 | 17,095 | 15,943 | 1,152 | 6.7 |
| Van Buren | 6,652 | 6,190 | 462 | 6.9 | 6,596 | 6,152 | 444 | 6.7 | 6,612 | 6,160 | 452 | 6.8 |
| Washington | 121,026 | 117,361 | 3,665 | 3.0 | 119,682 | 116,487 | 3,195 | 2.7 | 115,983 | 111,435 | 4,548 | 3.9 |
| White | 35,027 | 33,141 | 1,886 | 5.4 | 35,212 | 33,384 | 1,828 | 5.2 | 34,684 | 32,314 | 2,370 | 6.8 |
| Woodruff | 3,061 | 2,884 | 177 | 5.8 | 3,103 | 2,944 | 159 | 5.1 | 3,127 | 2,931 | 196 | 6.3 |
| Yell | 9,156 | 8,708 | 448 | 4.9 | 9,257 | 8,846 | 411 | 4.4 | 9,203 | 8,678 | 525 | 5.7 |

County Labor Force Summar y

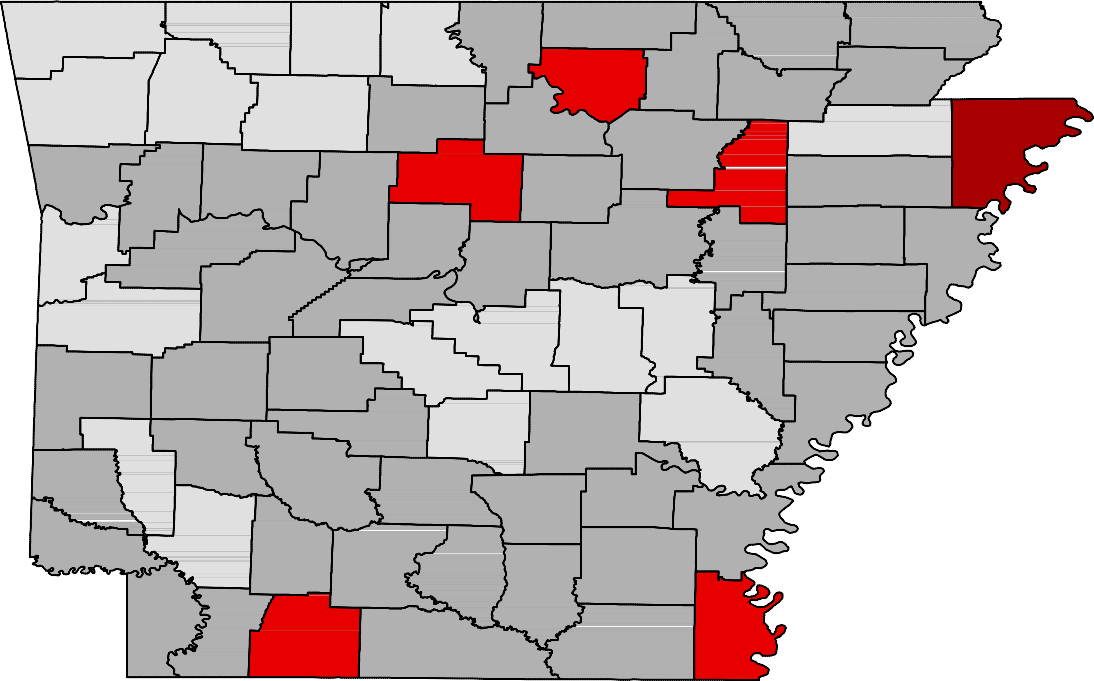
Between May and June, unemployment rates increased in 69 of Arkansas’ 75 counties. Rates declined in four counties, while remaining stable in two. Jobless rates ranged from a low of 3.0 percent in Washington County to a high of 9.0 percent in Mississippi County.

In June, eighteen counties posted unemployment rates at or below four percent. Only one coun- ty-- Mississippi County- reported a rate above eight percent, marking the first time a county job- less rate has been above eight percent in six months.

Compared to June 2015, unemployment rates are down in 73 counties. Both Bradley and Van

Buren counties posted a slight increase over the year.

County Labor Force Statistics



Benton

Washington

Carroll

Madison

Boone

Newton

Marion

Searcy

Baxter

Stone

Fulton

Izard

Sharp

Randolph

Lawrence

Clay

Greene

Craighead

Mississippi

Crawford

Franklin

Johnson

Pope

Van Buren

Cleburne

Independence

Jackson

Poinsett

Cross

Sebastian

Scott

Logan

Yell

Conway

Perry

Saline

Faulkner

Pulaski

White

Lonoke

Prairie

Woodruff

Monroe

St. Francis

Lee

Crittenden

Polk

Sevier

Montgomery

Pike

Howard

Garland

Hot Spring

Clark

Dallas

Grant

Jefferson

Lincoln

Cleveland

Arkansas

Desha

Phillips

Unemployment Rates

Little River

Hempstead

Miller

Nevada

Ouachita

Calhoun

Bradley

Drew

Chicot

< or = 4.0%

4.1% - 6.0%

6.1% - 8.0%

Lafayette

Columbia

Union

Ashley

> 8.0% [NONE]

Ranked by Unemployment Rates

June 2016- Not Seasonally Adjusted

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Rank**  1 | **County**  Washington | **Rate**  3.0 | **Rank**  23 | **County**  Hot Spring | **Rate**  4.2 | **Rank**  51 | **County**  Clark | **Rate**  5.4 |
| 2 | Benton | 3.1 | 27 | Poinsett | 4.3 | 51 | Desha | 5.4 |
| 2 | Carroll | 3.1 | 28 | Franklin | 4.4 | 51 | Monroe | 5.4 |
| 4 | Madison | 3.3 | 29 | Garland | 4.5 | 51 | St. Francis | 5.4 |
| 4 | Saline | 3.3 | 29 | Little River | 4.5 | 51 | Sharp | 5.4 |
| 6 | Arkansas | 3.4 | 29 | Pike | 4.5 | 51 | White | 5.4 |
| 6 | Howard | 3.4 | 29 | Searcy | 4.5 | 57 | Calhoun | 5.5 |
| 8 | Craighead | 3.6 | 33 | Greene | 4.6 | 58 | Ouachita | 5.6 |
| 8 | Lonoke | 3.6 | 33 | Montgomery | 4.6 | 59 | Clay | 5.7 |
| 10 | Boone | 3.7 | 35 | Lawrence | 4.7 | 60 | Cleburne | 5.8 |
| 11 | Grant | 3.8 | 36 | Cleveland | 4.8 | 60 | Drew | 5.8 |
| 11 | Newton | 3.8 | 36 | Perry | 4.8 | 60 | Union | 5.8 |
| 11 | Pulaski | 3.8 | 38 | Crittenden | 4.9 | 60 | Woodruff | 5.8 |
| 14 | Hempstead | 3.9 | 38 | Lee | 4.9 | 64 | Conway | 5.9 |
| 14 | Prairie | 3.9 | 38 | Yell | 4.9 | 64 | Phillips | 5.9 |
| 14 | Sebastian | 3.9 | 41 | Logan | 5.0 | 66 | Ashley | 6.0 |
| 17 | Marion | 4.0 | 41 | Polk | 5.0 | 66 | Bradley | 6.0 |
| 17 | Scott | 4.0 | 43 | Independence | 5.1 | 66 | Jefferson | 6.0 |
| 19 | Faulkner | 4.1 | 43 | Lincoln | 5.1 | 66 | Lafayette | 6.0 |
| 19 | Fulton | 4.1 | 43 | Stone | 5.1 | 70 | Jackson | 6.1 |
| 19 | Miller | 4.1 | 46 | Dallas | 5.2 | 71 | Izard | 6.2 |
| 19 | Nevada | 4.1 | 46 | Pope | 5.2 | 72 | Chicot | 6.5 |
| 23 | Baxter | 4.2 | 46 | Randolph | 5.2 | 72 | Columbia | 6.5 |
| 23 | Crawford | 4.2 | 49 | Johnson | 5.3 | 74 | Van Buren | 6.9 |
| 23 | Cross | 4.2 | 49 | Sevier | 5.3 | 75 | Mississippi | 9.0 |

Local Workforce Development Areas

Civilian Labor Force Estimates

LWDA Labor Force Estimates (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **LWDA CLF** | | **June 2016**  **Emp Unemp** | | **Rate** | **CLF** | **May 2016**  **Emp Unemp** | | **Rate** | **CLF** | **June 2015**  **Emp Unemp** | | **Rate** |
| Central (minus LR) 253,739 244,273 9,466 3.7 250,965 242,317 8,648 3.4 247,435 235,493 11,942 4.8 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| City of Little Rock | 99,240 | 95,523 | 3,717 | 3.7 | 97,831 | 94,632 | 3,199 | 3.3 | 96,484 | 91,792 | 4,692 | 4.9 |
| Eastern | 49,368 | 46,884 | 2,484 | 5.0 | 49,107 | 46,893 | 2,214 | 4.5 | 49,906 | 46,520 | 3,386 | 6.8 |
| North Central | 98,310 | 92,888 | 5,422 | 5.5 | 98,420 | 93,254 | 5,166 | 5.2 | 97,636 | 90,992 | 6,644 | 6.8 |
| Northeast | 120,574 | 114,690 | 5,884 | 4.9 | 120,176 | 115,219 | 4,957 | 4.1 | 120,445 | 112,649 | 7,796 | 6.5 |
| Northwest | 314,525 | 304,476 | 10,049 | 3.2 | 311,717 | 302,593 | 9,124 | 2.9 | 303,782 | 290,937 | 12,845 | 4.2 |
| Southeast | 86,054 | 81,472 | 4,582 | 5.3 | 85,473 | 81,392 | 4,081 | 4.8 | 85,955 | 80,052 | 5,903 | 6.9 |
| Southwest | 97,578 | 92,742 | 4,836 | 5.0 | 96,717 | 92,502 | 4,215 | 4.4 | 96,455 | 90,526 | 5,929 | 6.1 |
| West Central | 136,671 | 130,010 | 6,661 | 4.9 | 136,044 | 130,061 | 5,983 | 4.4 | 135,419 | 127,251 | 8,168 | 6.0 |
| Western | 116,013 | 111,166 | 4,847 | 4.2 | 115,004 | 110,530 | 4,474 | 3.9 | 115,736 | 109,410 | 6,326 | 5.5 |

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North Central

Northeast

Northwest

Southeast

Southwest

West Central

Western



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