**Arkansas**

**Labor Market**

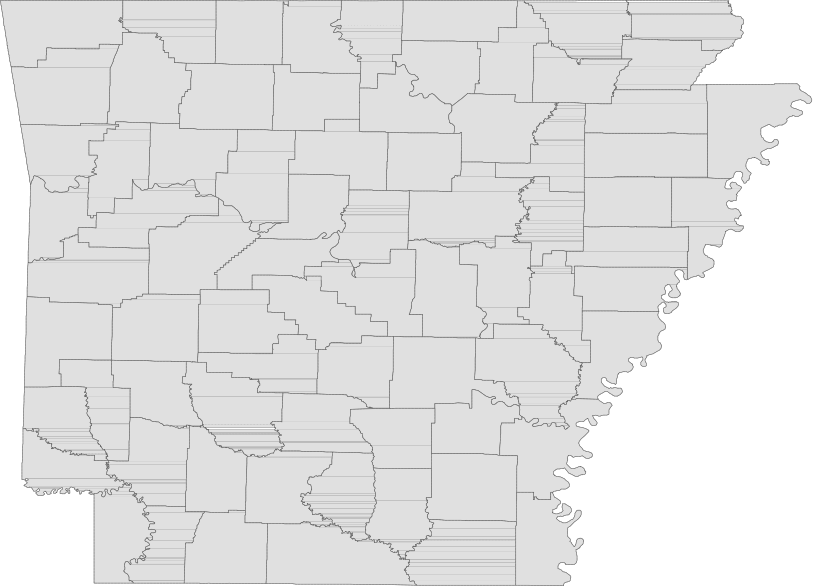
**Report**

**June 2017**



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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 month’s data is 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 2016 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 (LED)

Local Employment Dynamics (LED) is a coop-

**Total Employment**- Total number of workers who were employed 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 pre- vious four quarters.

**Separations-** Total number of workers employed by a particular business during the current quarter, but not during the subsequent quarter.

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

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

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

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.

**Local Employment Dynamics**

State of Arkansas

3rd Quarter 2015 - 3rd Quarter 2016

**Indicator 3rd Qtr 15 4th Qtr 15 1st Qtr 16 2nd Qtr 16 3rd Qtr 16**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Total Employment | 1,137,033 | 1,170,080 | 1,147,752 | 1,173,762 | 1,146,869 |
| Net Job Flows | 5,831 | -2,824 | 12,695 | 10,813 | N/A |
| Job Creation | 52,212 | 44,861 | 49,087 | 58,668 | N/A |
| New Hires | 233,501 | 212,861 | 190,434 | 237,560 | 238,233 |
| Separations | 227,722 | 215,481 | 177,658 | 266,788 | N/A |
| Turnover Rate | 9.4% | 9.3% | 9.4% | N/A | N/A |
| Avg Monthly Earnings | $3,381.00 | $3,784.00 | $3,532.00 | $3,561.00 | 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 3.4 percent between May and June. Arkansas’ civilian labor force increased

9,243, a result of 9,481 more employed and 238 fewer unemployed Arkansans. The United States’ job-

less rate rose one-tenth of a percentage point, from 4.3 percent in May to 4.4 percent in June.

BLS Program Operations Manager Susan Price said, “Employment in Arkansan increased 9,481 in June, breaking last month’s record high for the State. There are now 28,681 more employed Arkansans than in June 2016.”

Civilian Labor Force Estimates

Seasonally Adjusted Not Seasonally Adjusted

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Civilian Labor Force | **Jun 17**  1,364,533 | **May 17**  1,355,290 | **Jun 16**  1,343,919 | Civilian Labor Force | **Jun 17**  1,390,525 | **May 17**  1,364,495 | **Jun 16**  1,361,968 |
| Employment | 1,318,145 | 1,308,664 | 1,289,464 | Employment | 1,338,845 | 1,318,819 | 1,304,099 |
| Unemployment | 46,388 | 46,626 | 54,455 | Unemployment | 51,680 | 45,676 | 57,869 |
| Unemployment Rate | 3.4 | 3.4 | 4.1 | Unemployment Rate | 3.7 | 3.3 | 4.2 |
| U.S. Unemployment | 4.4 | 4.3 | 4.9 | U.S. Unemployment | 4.5 | 4.1 | 5.1 |

10.0

**Unemployment Rates (Seasonally Adjusted)**

State of Arkansas vs. United States

June: 2007 - 2017

9.0

8.0

7.0

6.0

5.0

4.0

3.0

2.0

1.0

0.0

2007 2008 2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017

State of Arkansas United States

Nonfarm Payroll Jobs

Not Seasonally Adjusted



(In Thousands)

(NAICS)

**Jun 17 May 17 Jun 16**

**OTM OT Y**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Total Nonfarm | 1251.7 | 1254.4 | 1226.0 | -2.7 | 25.7 |
| Goods Producing | 215.5 | 213.8 | 212.6 | 1.7 | 2.9 |
| Mining, Logging, and Construction | 57.7 | 56.8 | 57.7 | 0.9 | 0.0 |
| **Mining & Logging** | **6.1** | **6.0** | **6.2** | **0.1** | **-0.1** |
| **Construction** | **51.6** | **50.8** | **51.5** | **0.8** | **0.1** |
| Specialty Trade Contractors | 33.2 | 32.4 | 33.0 | 0.8 | 0.2 |
| **Manufacturing** | **157.8** | **157.0** | **154.9** | **0.8** | **2.9** |
| Durable Goods | 73.4 | 73.4 | 74.8 | 0.0 | -1.4 |
| Nondurable Goods | 84.4 | 83.6 | 80.1 | 0.8 | 4.3 |
| Service Providing | 1036.2 | 1040.6 | 1013.4 | -4.4 | 22.8 |
| **Trade, Transportation & Utilities** | **256.1** | **253.4** | **252.1** | **2.7** | **4.0** |
| Wholesale Trade | 47.7 | 47.1 | 46.4 | 0.6 | 1.3 |
| Retail Trade | 142.6 | 141.9 | 142.2 | 0.7 | 0.4 |
| Transport, Warehousing & Utilities | 65.8 | 64.4 | 63.5 | 1.4 | 2.3 |
| I**nformation** | **13.2** | **13.1** | **13.6** | **0.1** | **-0.4** |
| **Financial Activities** | **52.3** | **52.1** | **51.4** | **0.2** | **0.9** |
| Finance & Insurance | 39.0 | 38.8 | 38.0 | 0.2 | 1.0 |
| Real Estate & Rental & Leasing | 13.3 | 13.3 | 13.4 | 0.0 | -0.1 |
| **Professional & Business Services** | **147.1** | **152.0** | **140.7** | **-4.9** | **6.4** |
| Professional, Scientific & Technical | 44.0 | 43.6 | 42.0 | 0.4 | 2.0 |
| Management of Companies | 34.1 | 33.9 | 34.9 | 0.2 | -0.8 |
| Administrative & Support Services | 69.0 | 74.5 | 63.8 | -5.5 | 5.2 |
| **Educational & Health Services** | **185.2** | **186.2** | **177.8** | **-1.0** | **7.4** |
| Educational Services | 13.8 | 16.3 | 12.1 | -2.5 | 1.7 |
| Health Care & Social Assistance | 171.4 | 169.9 | 165.7 | 1.5 | 5.7 |
| Ambulatory Health Care | 57.0 | 56.2 | 53.4 | 0.8 | 3.6 |
| Social Assistance | 40.6 | 39.9 | 39.5 | 0.7 | 1.1 |
| **Leisure & Hospitality 123.0 120.2 119.2 2.8 3.8** | | | | | |
| Arts, Entertainment & Recreation | 13.2 | 12.6 | 12.9 | 0.6 | 0.3 |
| Accommodation & Food Services | 109.8 | 107.6 | 106.3 | 2.2 | 3.5 |
| Accommodation Services | 13.3 | 11.5 | 12.2 | 1.8 | 1.1 |
| Food Services | 96.5 | 96.1 | 94.1 | 0.4 | 2.4 |
| **Other Services** | **50.1** | **49.1** | **47.9** | **1.0** | **2.2** |
| **Government** | **209.2** | **214.5** | **210.7** | **-5.3** | **-1.5** |
| Federal Government | 20.4 | 20.2 | 20.4 | 0.2 | 0.0 |
| State Government | 74.6 | 78.8 | 75.1 | -4.2 | -0.5 |
| Local Government | 114.2 | 115.5 | 115.2 | -1.3 | -1.0 |

Nonfarm Payroll Job Summar y

May 2017 - June 2017

Arkansas’ nonfarm payroll jobs decreased 2,700 in June to total 1,251,700. Three major industry sectors posted declines, more than offsetting moderate gains in eight sectors. Employment in **government** fell 5,300. Typical seasonal losses were reported in state (-4,200) and local (-1,300) government, related to the end of the 2016-2017 school year. Jobs in **professional and business services** dropped 4,900. All decreases were posted in administrative and support services (-5,500), attributed in part to a decline in seasonal jobs provided by employment agencies. **Leisure and hospitality** added 2,800 jobs. Most of the gains were in accommodation and food services (+2,200). Jobs in **trade, transportation, and utilities** rose 2,700, with hiring reported across all subsectors.

June 2016 - June 2017

Since June 2016, nonfarm payroll jobs in Arkansas are up 25,700. Employment increased in eight ma- jor industry sectors, while three sectors declined. **Educational and health services** added 7,400 jobs, mostly in health care and social assistance (+5,700). Jobs in **professional and business services** rose

6,400. Gains in administrative-support services (+5,200) and professional-scientific-technical services (+2,000) more than offset the loss in management of companies (-800). **Trade, transportation, and utilities** increased 4,000, with most of the expansion in transportation-warehousing-utilities (+2,300). **Leisure and hospitality** added 3,800 jobs. Food services posted a majority of the growth (+2,400). Jobs in **manufacturing** rose 2,900, all in nondurable goods (+4,300).

84,000

**Jobs in State Government (Not Seasonally Adjusted)**

January 2015 - June 2017

82,000

80,000

78,000

76,000

74,000

72,000

70,000

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2015 2016 2017

Production Workers- Hours and Earnings

Manufacturing

**Jun 17 May 17**

**Jun 16**

Average Weekly Hours Average Hourly Earnings Average Weekly Earnings

41.0

15.87

650.67

39.6

16.01

634.00

41.5

15.87

658.61

Durable Goods and Nondurable Goods Manufacturing

Durable Goods Manufacturing Nondurable Goods Manufacturing

**Jun 17 May 17**

**Jun 16**

**Jun 17 May 17**

**Jun 16**

Average Weekly Hours Average Hourly Earnings Average Weekly Earnings

41.6

17.59

731.74

40.3

17.62

710.09

41.9

17.59

737.02

Average Weekly Hours Average Hourly Earnings Average Weekly Earnings

40.6

14.43

585.86

39.0

14.60

569.40

41.2

14.22

585.86

19.00

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

June: 2007 - 2017

17.00

15.00

13.00

11.00

9.00

7.00

5.00

2007 2008 2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017

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)



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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **Jun 17** | **May 17** | **Jun 16** | **OTM** | **OT Y** |
| Civilian Labor Force | 361,031 | 351,786 | 355,177 | 9,245 | 5,854 |
| Employment | 349,091 | 340,936 | 341,860 | 8,155 | 7,231 |
| Unemployment | 11,940 | 10,850 | 13,317 | 1,090 | -1,377 |
| Unemployment Rate | 3.3 | 3.1 | 3.7 | 0.2 | -0.4 |

Nonfarm Payroll Jobs (Not Seasonally Adjusted)



(In Thousands)

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **NAICS**  Total Nonfarm | **Jun 17**  356.5 | **May 17**  354.3 | **Jun 16**  353.7 | **OTM**  2.2 | **OT Y**  2.8 |
| Goods Producing | 37.1 | 36.8 | 37.9 | 0.3 | -0.8 |
| **Mining, Logging & Construction** | **17.1** | **16.8** | **17.6** | **0.3** | **-0.5** |
| **Manufacturing** | **20.0** | **20.0** | **20.3** | **0.0** | **-0.3** |
| Service Providing 319.4 317.5 315.8 1.9 3.6 | | | | | |
| **Trade, Transportation & Utilities** | **70.6** | **70.1** | **69.8** | **0.5** | **0.8** |
| Wholesale Trade | 15.0 | 15.0 | 15.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Retail Trade | 39.4 | 39.1 | 39.2 | 0.3 | 0.2 |
| Trans., Warehousing & Utilities | 16.2 | 16.0 | 15.6 | 0.2 | 0.6 |
| **Information** | **6.1** | **6.1** | **6.4** | **0.0** | **-0.3** |
| **Financial Activities** | **20.6** | **20.5** | **20.4** | **0.1** | **0.2** |
| **Professional & Business Services** | **45.9** | **46.7** | **46.4** | **-0.8** | **-0.5** |
| **Educational & Health Services** | **56.6** | **55.3** | **53.2** | **1.3** | **3.4** |
| **Leisure & Hospitality** | **35.2** | **33.6** | **34.6** | **1.6** | **0.6** |
| **Other Services** | **15.1** | **14.9** | **14.9** | **0.2** | **0.2** |
| **Government** | **69.3** | **70.3** | **70.1** | **-1.0** | **-0.8** |
| Federal Government | 9.7 | 9.7 | 9.6 | 0.0 | 0.1 |
| State Government | 33.9 | 34.8 | 33.7 | -0.9 | 0.2 |
| Local Government | 25.7 | 25.8 | 26.8 | -0.1 | -1.1 |

325,000

**Jobs in Service Providing Industries**

June 2014 - June 2017

320,000

315,000

310,000

305,000

300,000

295,000

Ju n '14 Dec '14 Ju n '15 Dec '15 Ju n '16 Dec '16 Ju n '17

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)



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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **Jun 17** | **May 17** | **Jun 16** | **OTM** | **OT Y** |
| Civilian Labor Force | 278,776 | 275,309 | 265,797 | 3,467 | 12,979 |
| Employment | 270,892 | 268,327 | 257,363 | 2,565 | 13,529 |
| Unemployment | 7,884 | 6,982 | 8,434 | 902 | -550 |
| Unemployment Rate | 2.8 | 2.5 | 3.2 | 0.3 | -0.4 |

Nonfarm Payroll Jobs (Not Seasonally Adjusted)



(In Thousands)

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **NAICS**  Total Nonfarm | **Jun 17**  253.9 | **May 17**  255.9 | **Jun 16**  243.7 | **OTM**  -2.0 | **OT Y**  10.2 |
| Goods Producing | 39.4 | 38.3 | 38.1 | 1.1 | 1.3 |
| **Mining, Logging & Construction** | **11.2** | **10.9** | **10.6** | **0.3** | **0.6** |
| **Manufacturing** | **28.2** | **27.4** | **27.5** | **0.8** | **0.7** |
| Service Providing 214.5 217.6 205.6 -3.1 8.9 | | | | | |
| **Trade, Transportation & Utilities** | **56.7** | **56.5** | **55.8** | **0.2** | **0.9** |
| Wholesale Trade | 12.8 | 12.7 | 12.2 | 0.1 | 0.6 |
| Retail Trade | 26.2 | 26.4 | 26.6 | -0.2 | -0.4 |
| Trans., Warehousing & Utilities | 17.7 | 17.4 | 17.0 | 0.3 | 0.7 |
| **Information** | **1.9** | **1.9** | **1.9** | **0.0** | **0.0** |
| **Financial Activities** | **8.0** | **7.9** | **7.6** | **0.1** | **0.4** |
| **Professional & Business Services** | **52.6** | **53.3** | **48.6** | **-0.7** | **4.0** |
| **Educational & Health Services** | **27.5** | **28.1** | **26.4** | **-0.6** | **1.1** |
| **Leisure & Hospitality** | **26.2** | **26.1** | **25.0** | **0.1** | **1.2** |
| **Other Services** | **7.8** | **7.8** | **7.5** | **0.0** | **0.3** |
| **Government** | **33.8** | **36.0** | **32.8** | **-2.2** | **1.0** |
| Federal Government | 2.6 | 2.6 | 2.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| State Government | 12.2 | 14.4 | 11.5 | -2.2 | 0.7 |
| Local Government | 19.0 | 19.0 | 18.7 | 0.0 | 0.3 |

280,000

**Number of Employed**

January 2015 - June 2017

60,000

**Jobs in Professional and Business Services**

June: 2007 - 2017

270,000

50,000

260,000

250,000

40,000

240,000

30,000

230,000

20,000

220,000

10,000

210,000

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2015 2016 2017

0

'97 '98 '99 '00 '01 '02 '03 '04 '05 '06 '07 '08 '09 '10 '11 '12 '13 '14 '15 '16 '17

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)



|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **Jun 17** | **May 17** | **Jun 16** | **OTM** | **OT Y** |
| Civilian Labor Force | 122,765 | 120,936 | 123,262 | 1,829 | -497 |
| Employment | 117,487 | 116,054 | 117,179 | 1,433 | 308 |
| Unemployment | 5,278 | 4,882 | 6,083 | 396 | -805 |
| Unemployment Rate | 4.3 | 4.0 | 4.9 | 0.3 | -0.6 |

Nonfarm Payroll Jobs (Not Seasonally Adjusted)



(In Thousands)

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **NAICS**  Total Nonfarm | **Jun 17**  113.6 | **May 17**  114.0 | **Jun 16**  114.5 | **OTM**  -0.4 | **OT Y**  -0.9 |
| Goods Producing | 22.9 | 22.8 | 23.8 | 0.1 | -0.9 |
| **Mining, Logging & Construction** | **5.4** | **5.3** | **5.7** | **0.1** | **-0.3** |
| **Manufacturing** | **17.5** | **17.5** | **18.1** | **0.0** | **-0.6** |
| Service Providing 90.7 91.2 90.7 -0.5 0.0 | | | | | |
| **Trade, Transportation & Utilities** | **23.2** | **23.0** | **23.7** | **0.2** | **-0.5** |
| Wholesale Trade | 4.0 | 4.0 | 3.9 | 0.0 | 0.1 |
| Retail Trade | 12.7 | 12.5 | 13.0 | 0.2 | -0.3 |
| Trans., Warehousing & Utilities | 6.5 | 6.5 | 6.8 | 0.0 | -0.3 |
| **Information** | **1.3** | **1.3** | **1.3** | **0.0** | **0.0** |
| **Financial Activities** | **3.8** | **3.8** | **3.8** | **0.0** | **0.0** |
| **Professional & Business Services** | **13.0** | **13.3** | **12.7** | **-0.3** | **0.3** |
| **Educational & Health Services** | **16.9** | **16.8** | **16.7** | **0.1** | **0.2** |
| **Leisure & Hospitality** | **10.0** | **9.9** | **10.1** | **0.1** | **-0.1** |
| **Other Services** | **4.4** | **4.3** | **4.4** | **0.1** | **0.0** |
| **Government** | **18.1** | **18.8** | **18.0** | **-0.7** | **0.1** |
| Federal Government | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| State Government | 2.9 | 3.2 | 2.9 | -0.3 | 0.0 |
| Local Government | 13.9 | 14.3 | 13.8 | -0.4 | 0.1 |

10.0

**Unemployment Rates**

June: 2007 - 2017

116,000

**Nonfarm Payroll Jobs**

January 2015 - June 2017

9.0

115,000

8.0

114,000

7.0

6.0

113,000

5.0

112,000

4.0

111,000

3.0

110,000

2.0

109,000

1.0

0.0

'07 '08 '09 '10 '11 '12 '13 '14 '15 '16 '17

108,000

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2015 2016 2017

Hot Springs MSA

The Hot Springs MSA= Garland County.

Civilian Labor Force Estimates (Not Seasonally Adjusted)



|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **Jun 17** | **May 17** | **Jun 16** | **OTM** | **OT Y** |
| Civilian Labor Force | 42,208 | 41,257 | 41,230 | 951 | 978 |
| Employment | 40,512 | 39,781 | 39,387 | 731 | 1,125 |
| Unemployment | 1,696 | 1,476 | 1,843 | 220 | -147 |
| Unemployment Rate | 4.0 | 3.6 | 4.5 | 0.4 | -0.5 |

Nonfarm Payroll Jobs (Not Seasonally Adjusted)



(In Thousands)

**NAICS**

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Jun 17** | **May 17** | **Jun 16** | **OTM** | **OT Y** |
| 38.9 | 38.9 | 38.5 | 0.0 | 0.4 |
| 4.7 | 4.6 | 4.4 | 0.1 | 0.3 |
| 34.2 | 34.3 | 34.1 | -0.1 | 0.1 |
| 4.3 | 4.5 | 4.4 | -0.2 | -0.1 |

Total Nonfarm Goods Producing Service Providing Government

44,000

**Number of Employed**

June: 1997 - 2017

42,000

40,000

38,000

36,000

34,000

32,000

30,000

'97 '98 '99 '00 '01 '02 '03 '04 '05 '06 '07 '08 '09 '10 '11 '12 '13 '14 '15 '16 '17

Jonesboro MSA

The Jonesboro MSA= Craighead & Poinsett counties.

Civilian Labor Force Estimates (Not Seasonally Adjusted)



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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **Jun 17** | **May 17** | **Jun 16** | **OTM** | **OT Y** |
| Civilian Labor Force | 65,096 | 63,824 | 62,937 | 1,272 | 2,159 |
| Employment | 62,951 | 61,977 | 60,613 | 974 | 2,338 |
| Unemployment | 2,145 | 1,847 | 2,324 | 298 | -179 |
| Unemployment Rate | 3.3 | 2.9 | 3.7 | 0.4 | -0.4 |

Nonfarm Payroll Jobs (Not Seasonally Adjusted)



(In Thousands)

**NAICS**

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Jun 17** | **May 17** | **Jun 16** | **OTM** | **OT Y** |
| 56.9 | 57.0 | 55.5 | -0.1 | 1.4 |
| 9.6 | 9.4 | 9.2 | 0.2 | 0.4 |
| 47.3 | 47.6 | 46.3 | -0.3 | 1.0 |
| 9.0 | 9.2 | 8.9 | -0.2 | 0.1 |

Total Nonfarm Goods Producing Service Providing Government

10,000

**Jobs in Goods Producing Industries**

June 2014 - June 2017

9,800

9,600

9,400

9,200

9,000

8,800

8,600

8,400

8,200

8,000

Jun '14 Dec '14 Jun '15 Dec '15 Jun '16 Dec '16 Jun '17

Pine Bluff MSA

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

Civilian Labor Force Estimates (Not Seasonally Adjusted)



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|  | **Jun 17** | **May 17** | **Jun 16** | **OTM** | **OT Y** |
| Civilian Labor Force | 36,593 | 36,087 | 36,361 | 506 | 232 |
| Employment | 34,744 | 34,486 | 34,261 | 258 | 483 |
| Unemployment | 1,849 | 1,601 | 2,100 | 248 | -251 |
| Unemployment Rate | 5.1 | 4.4 | 5.8 | 0.7 | -0.7 |

Nonfarm Payroll Jobs (Not Seasonally Adjusted)



(In Thousands)

**NAICS**

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Jun 17** | **May 17** | **Jun 16** | **OTM** | **OT Y** |
| 33.1 | 33.5 | 33.2 | -0.4 | -0.1 |
| 5.9 | 5.9 | 6.1 | 0.0 | -0.2 |
| 27.2 | 27.6 | 27.1 | -0.4 | 0.1 |
| 9.5 | 9.7 | 9.6 | -0.2 | -0.1 |

Total Nonfarm Goods Producing Service Providing Government

50,000

45,000

**Employment and Unemployment**

June: 2007 - 2017

Employment + Unemployment = Civilian Labor Force

40,000

35,000

30,000

25,000

20,000

15,000

10,000

5,000

0

'07 '08 '09 '10 '11 '12 '13 '14 '15 '16 '17

Employment Unemployment

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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|  | **Jun 17** | **May 17** | **Jun 16** | **OTM** | **OT Y** |
| Civilian Labor Force | 637,880 | 625,358 | 630,361 | 12,522 | 7,519 |
| Employment | 606,684 | 602,463 | 593,250 | 4,221 | 13,434 |
| Unemployment | 31,196 | 22,895 | 37,111 | 8,301 | -5,915 |
| Unemployment Rate | 4.9 | 3.7 | 5.9 | 1.2 | -1.0 |

Texarkana MSA

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

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|  | **Jun 17** | **May 17** | **Jun 16** | **OTM** | **OT Y** |
| Civilian Labor Force | 65,886 | 65,110 | 66,185 | 776 | -299 |
| Employment | 62,678 | 62,202 | 63,137 | 476 | -459 |
| Unemployment | 3,208 | 2,908 | 3,048 | 300 | 160 |
| Unemployment Rate | 4.9 | 4.5 | 4.6 | 0.4 | 0.3 |

70,000

**Unemployment- Memphis MSA**

June: 2007 - 2017

64000

**Number of Employed- Texarkana MSA**

January 2015 - June 2017

60,000

63000

50,000

62000

40,000

61000

30,000

60000

20,000

59000

10,000

0

'07 '08 '09 '10 '11 '12 '13 '14 '15 '16 '17

58000

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

2015 2016 2017

Micropolitan Labor Force Estimates (Not Seasonally Adjusted)



|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Micro Area** | **CLF** | **June**  **Emp** | **2017**  **Unemp** | **Rate** | **CLF** | **May**  **Emp** | **2017**  **Unemp** | **Rate** | **CLF** | **June**  **Emp** | **2016**  **Unemp** | **Rate** |
| Arkadelphia Micro | 9,552 | 9,131 | 421 | 4.4 | 9,700 | 9,346 | 354 | 3.6 | 9,320 | 8,807 | 513 | 5.5 |
| Batesville Micro | 16,857 | 16,134 | 723 | 4.3 | 16,610 | 16,027 | 583 | 3.5 | 16,305 | 15,457 | 848 | 5.2 |
| Blytheville Micro | 18,357 | 16,900 | 1,457 | 7.9 | 17,904 | 16,923 | 981 | 5.5 | 18,621 | 17,016 | 1,605 | 8.6 |
| Camden Micro | 12,618 | 12,077 | 541 | 4.3 | 12,420 | 11,910 | 510 | 4.1 | 12,572 | 11,880 | 692 | 5.5 |
| El Dorado Micro | 16,568 | 15,626 | 942 | 5.7 | 16,148 | 15,361 | 787 | 4.9 | 16,576 | 15,555 | 1,021 | 6.2 |
| Forrest City Micro | 9,071 | 8,619 | 452 | 5.0 | 8,800 | 8,428 | 372 | 4.2 | 9,074 | 8,593 | 481 | 5.3 |
| Harrison Micro | 19,909 | 19,278 | 631 | 3.2 | 19,520 | 18,916 | 604 | 3.1 | 19,983 | 19,235 | 748 | 3.7 |
| Helena-West Helena Micro | 6,802 | 6,410 | 392 | 5.8 | 6,669 | 6,332 | 337 | 5.1 | 6,877 | 6,467 | 410 | 6.0 |
| Hope Micro | 14,249 | 13,752 | 497 | 3.5 | 13,974 | 13,535 | 439 | 3.1 | 13,938 | 13,397 | 541 | 3.9 |
| Magnolia Micro | 9,303 | 8,797 | 506 | 5.4 | 9,248 | 8,820 | 428 | 4.6 | 9,406 | 8,780 | 626 | 6.7 |
| Malvern Micro | 14,603 | 14,033 | 570 | 3.9 | 14,308 | 13,829 | 479 | 3.3 | 14,333 | 13,727 | 606 | 4.2 |
| Mountain Home Micro | 16,628 | 15,942 | 686 | 4.1 | 16,519 | 15,900 | 619 | 3.7 | 16,145 | 15,456 | 689 | 4.3 |
| Paragould Micro | 20,352 | 19,566 | 786 | 3.9 | 20,004 | 19,354 | 650 | 3.2 | 20,221 | 19,287 | 934 | 4.6 |
| Russellville Micro | 38,917 | 37,212 | 1,705 | 4.4 | 38,518 | 37,113 | 1,405 | 3.6 | 38,561 | 36,554 | 2,007 | 5.2 |
| Searcy Micro | 34,626 | 33,081 | 1,545 | 4.5 | 34,430 | 32,889 | 1,541 | 4.5 | 34,497 | 32,608 | 1,889 | 5.5 |

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 Hope Micro= Hempstead & Nevada counties 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** | **2017**  **Unemp** | **Rate** | **CLF** | **May**  **Emp** | **2017**  **Unemp** | **Rate** | **CLF** | **June**  **Emp** | **2016**  **Unemp** | **Rate** |
| Bella Vista | 12,711 | 12,251 | 460 | 3.6 | 12,556 | 12,135 | 421 | 3.4 | 12,055 | 11,622 | 433 | 3.6 |
| Benton | 16,810 | 16,313 | 497 | 3.0 | 16,375 | 15,930 | 445 | 2.7 | 16,519 | 15,977 | 542 | 3.3 |
| Bentonville | 25,157 | 24,349 | 808 | 3.2 | 24,821 | 24,118 | 703 | 2.8 | 23,794 | 23,098 | 696 | 2.9 |
| Blytheville | 6,317 | 5,762 | 555 | 8.8 | 6,086 | 5,769 | 317 | 5.2 | 6,386 | 5,801 | 585 | 9.2 |
| Cabot | 12,081 | 11,699 | 382 | 3.2 | 11,757 | 11,431 | 326 | 2.8 | 11,848 | 11,446 | 402 | 3.4 |
| Conway | 34,108 | 32,960 | 1,148 | 3.4 | 33,235 | 32,188 | 1,047 | 3.2 | 33,552 | 32,266 | 1,286 | 3.8 |
| El Dorado | 7,210 | 6,764 | 446 | 6.2 | 7,042 | 6,649 | 393 | 5.6 | 7,252 | 6,733 | 519 | 7.2 |
| Fayetteville | 48,847 | 47,476 | 1,371 | 2.8 | 48,207 | 47,016 | 1,191 | 2.5 | 46,623 | 45,026 | 1,597 | 3.4 |
| Fort Smith | 41,236 | 39,800 | 1,436 | 3.5 | 40,527 | 39,194 | 1,333 | 3.3 | 40,984 | 39,428 | 1,556 | 3.8 |
| Hot Springs | 14,756 | 14,088 | 668 | 4.5 | 14,407 | 13,834 | 573 | 4.0 | 14,429 | 13,697 | 732 | 5.1 |
| Jacksonville | 12,071 | 11,571 | 500 | 4.1 | 11,767 | 11,300 | 467 | 4.0 | 11,927 | 11,335 | 592 | 5.0 |
| Jonesboro | 38,274 | 37,055 | 1,219 | 3.2 | 37,539 | 36,477 | 1,062 | 2.8 | 37,032 | 35,683 | 1,349 | 3.6 |
| Little Rock | 99,542 | 96,222 | 3,320 | 3.3 | 96,963 | 93,968 | 2,995 | 3.1 | 97,967 | 94,256 | 3,711 | 3.8 |
| North Little Rock | 30,824 | 29,672 | 1,152 | 3.7 | 29,997 | 28,977 | 1,020 | 3.4 | 30,293 | 29,065 | 1,228 | 4.1 |
| Paragould | 12,772 | 12,235 | 537 | 4.2 | 12,560 | 12,102 | 458 | 3.6 | 12,711 | 12,060 | 651 | 5.1 |
| Pine Bluff | 17,432 | 16,377 | 1,055 | 6.1 | 17,102 | 16,260 | 842 | 4.9 | 17,405 | 16,167 | 1,238 | 7.1 |
| Rogers | 35,552 | 34,592 | 960 | 2.7 | 35,094 | 34,263 | 831 | 2.4 | 33,793 | 32,815 | 978 | 2.9 |
| Russellville | 13,917 | 13,340 | 577 | 4.1 | 13,780 | 13,306 | 474 | 3.4 | 13,815 | 13,113 | 702 | 5.1 |
| Searcy | 10,662 | 10,211 | 451 | 4.2 | 10,595 | 10,151 | 444 | 4.2 | 10,563 | 10,065 | 498 | 4.7 |
| Sherwood | 16,042 | 15,559 | 483 | 3.0 | 15,627 | 15,195 | 432 | 2.8 | 15,738 | 15,241 | 497 | 3.2 |
| Springdale | 40,325 | 39,359 | 966 | 2.4 | 39,868 | 38,978 | 890 | 2.2 | 38,474 | 37,330 | 1,144 | 3.0 |
| Texarkana, AR | 14,381 | 13,669 | 712 | 5.0 | 13,999 | 13,384 | 615 | 4.4 | 14,236 | 13,579 | 657 | 4.6 |
| Van Buren | 10,659 | 10,301 | 358 | 3.4 | 10,467 | 10,146 | 321 | 3.1 | 10,617 | 10,200 | 417 | 3.9 |
| West Memphis | 11,050 | 10,487 | 563 | 5.1 | 10,832 | 10,320 | 512 | 4.7 | 10,744 | 10,137 | 607 | 5.6 |

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| **County** | **CLF** | **June**  **Emp** | **2017**  **Unemp** | **Rate** | **CLF** | **May**  **Emp** | **2017**  **Unemp** | **Rate** | **CLF** | **June**  **Emp** | **2016**  **Unemp** | **Rate** |
| Arkansas | 9,520 | 9,229 | 291 | 3.1 | 9,315 | 9,059 | 256 | 2.7 | 9,453 | 9,126 | 327 | 3.5 |
| Ashley | 8,099 | 7,642 | 457 | 5.6 | 7,939 | 7,532 | 407 | 5.1 | 8,007 | 7,503 | 504 | 6.3 |
| Baxter | 16,628 | 15,942 | 686 | 4.1 | 16,519 | 15,900 | 619 | 3.7 | 16,145 | 15,456 | 689 | 4.3 |
| Benton | 133,826 | 129,867 | 3,959 | 3.0 | 132,122 | 128,633 | 3,489 | 2.6 | 127,123 | 123,195 | 3,928 | 3.1 |
| Boone | 16,394 | 15,878 | 516 | 3.1 | 16,076 | 15,580 | 496 | 3.1 | 16,469 | 15,856 | 613 | 3.7 |
| Bradley | 4,704 | 4,503 | 201 | 4.3 | 4,616 | 4,410 | 206 | 4.5 | 4,543 | 4,265 | 278 | 6.1 |
| Calhoun | 2,478 | 2,383 | 95 | 3.8 | 2,437 | 2,351 | 86 | 3.5 | 2,469 | 2,338 | 131 | 5.3 |
| Carroll | 13,569 | 13,180 | 389 | 2.9 | 13,369 | 12,980 | 389 | 2.9 | 13,190 | 12,768 | 422 | 3.2 |
| Chicot | 3,700 | 3,485 | 215 | 5.8 | 3,626 | 3,424 | 202 | 5.6 | 3,670 | 3,430 | 240 | 6.5 |
| Clark | 9,552 | 9,131 | 421 | 4.4 | 9,700 | 9,346 | 354 | 3.6 | 9,320 | 8,807 | 513 | 5.5 |
| Clay | 6,085 | 5,818 | 267 | 4.4 | 5,969 | 5,738 | 231 | 3.9 | 6,197 | 5,848 | 349 | 5.6 |
| Cleburne | 9,671 | 9,238 | 433 | 4.5 | 9,383 | 8,967 | 416 | 4.4 | 9,808 | 9,231 | 577 | 5.9 |
| Cleveland | 3,415 | 3,262 | 153 | 4.5 | 3,374 | 3,235 | 139 | 4.1 | 3,368 | 3,205 | 163 | 4.8 |
| Columbia | 9,303 | 8,797 | 506 | 5.4 | 9,248 | 8,820 | 428 | 4.6 | 9,406 | 8,780 | 626 | 6.7 |
| Conway | 8,598 | 8,197 | 401 | 4.7 | 8,392 | 8,033 | 359 | 4.3 | 8,578 | 8,057 | 521 | 6.1 |
| Craighead | 54,406 | 52,709 | 1,697 | 3.1 | 53,357 | 51,888 | 1,469 | 2.8 | 52,632 | 50,758 | 1,874 | 3.6 |
| Crawford | 27,447 | 26,466 | 981 | 3.6 | 26,944 | 26,068 | 876 | 3.3 | 27,361 | 26,207 | 1,154 | 4.2 |
| Crittenden | 22,305 | 21,309 | 996 | 4.5 | 21,834 | 20,969 | 865 | 4.0 | 21,660 | 20,597 | 1,063 | 4.9 |
| Cross | 8,139 | 7,826 | 313 | 3.8 | 7,955 | 7,677 | 278 | 3.5 | 8,198 | 7,854 | 344 | 4.2 |
| Dallas | 3,088 | 2,946 | 142 | 4.6 | 3,020 | 2,904 | 116 | 3.8 | 2,953 | 2,790 | 163 | 5.5 |
| Desha | 5,598 | 5,318 | 280 | 5.0 | 5,466 | 5,219 | 247 | 4.5 | 5,549 | 5,248 | 301 | 5.4 |
| Drew | 8,055 | 7,640 | 415 | 5.2 | 8,057 | 7,677 | 380 | 4.7 | 7,919 | 7,435 | 484 | 6.1 |
| Faulkner | 62,175 | 60,089 | 2,086 | 3.4 | 60,598 | 58,681 | 1,917 | 3.2 | 61,340 | 58,824 | 2,516 | 4.1 |
| Franklin | 7,589 | 7,322 | 267 | 3.5 | 7,494 | 7,246 | 248 | 3.3 | 7,438 | 7,110 | 328 | 4.4 |
| Fulton | 4,977 | 4,782 | 195 | 3.9 | 4,856 | 4,674 | 182 | 3.7 | 4,899 | 4,691 | 208 | 4.2 |
| Garland | 42,208 | 40,512 | 1,696 | 4.0 | 41,257 | 39,781 | 1,476 | 3.6 | 41,230 | 39,387 | 1,843 | 4.5 |
| Grant | 8,564 | 8,288 | 276 | 3.2 | 8,349 | 8,101 | 248 | 3.0 | 8,439 | 8,118 | 321 | 3.8 |
| Greene | 20,352 | 19,566 | 786 | 3.9 | 20,004 | 19,354 | 650 | 3.2 | 20,221 | 19,287 | 934 | 4.6 |
| Hempstead | 10,403 | 10,046 | 357 | 3.4 | 10,202 | 9,888 | 314 | 3.1 | 10,177 | 9,784 | 393 | 3.9 |
| Hot Spring | 14,603 | 14,033 | 570 | 3.9 | 14,308 | 13,829 | 479 | 3.3 | 14,333 | 13,727 | 606 | 4.2 |
| Howard | 6,315 | 6,112 | 203 | 3.2 | 6,212 | 6,049 | 163 | 2.6 | 6,108 | 5,900 | 208 | 3.4 |
| Independence | 16,857 | 16,134 | 723 | 4.3 | 16,610 | 16,027 | 583 | 3.5 | 16,305 | 15,457 | 848 | 5.2 |
| Izard | 5,073 | 4,805 | 268 | 5.3 | 5,106 | 4,854 | 252 | 4.9 | 4,993 | 4,673 | 320 | 6.4 |
| Jackson | 6,212 | 5,872 | 340 | 5.5 | 6,110 | 5,806 | 304 | 5.0 | 6,240 | 5,855 | 385 | 6.2 |
| Jefferson | 29,021 | 27,495 | 1,526 | 5.3 | 28,599 | 27,298 | 1,301 | 4.5 | 28,868 | 27,142 | 1,726 | 6.0 |
| Johnson | 10,996 | 10,539 | 457 | 4.2 | 10,814 | 10,423 | 391 | 3.6 | 10,862 | 10,292 | 570 | 5.2 |
| Lafayette | 2,673 | 2,534 | 139 | 5.2 | 2,605 | 2,496 | 109 | 4.2 | 2,619 | 2,462 | 157 | 6.0 |
| Lawrence | 6,953 | 6,686 | 267 | 3.8 | 7,022 | 6,796 | 226 | 3.2 | 6,862 | 6,536 | 326 | 4.8 |
| Lee | 3,254 | 3,107 | 147 | 4.5 | 3,193 | 3,068 | 125 | 3.9 | 3,221 | 3,066 | 155 | 4.8 |
| Lincoln | 4,157 | 3,987 | 170 | 4.1 | 4,114 | 3,953 | 161 | 3.9 | 4,125 | 3,914 | 211 | 5.1 |
| Little River | 5,808 | 5,530 | 278 | 4.8 | 5,654 | 5,421 | 233 | 4.1 | 5,775 | 5,506 | 269 | 4.7 |
| Logan | 9,397 | 9,034 | 363 | 3.9 | 9,201 | 8,883 | 318 | 3.5 | 9,401 | 8,924 | 477 | 5.1 |
| Lonoke | 34,342 | 33,245 | 1,097 | 3.2 | 33,465 | 32,484 | 981 | 2.9 | 33,736 | 32,527 | 1,209 | 3.6 |
| Madison | 7,694 | 7,485 | 209 | 2.7 | 7,592 | 7,409 | 183 | 2.4 | 7,346 | 7,097 | 249 | 3.4 |
| Marion | 6,767 | 6,515 | 252 | 3.7 | 6,619 | 6,392 | 227 | 3.4 | 6,701 | 6,437 | 264 | 3.9 |
| Miller | 20,709 | 19,785 | 924 | 4.5 | 20,172 | 19,373 | 799 | 4.0 | 20,524 | 19,655 | 869 | 4.2 |

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| **County** | **CLF** | **June**  **Emp** | **2017**  **Unemp** | **Rate** | **CLF** | **May**  **Emp** | **2017**  **Unemp** | **Rate** | **CLF** | **June**  **Emp** | **2016**  **Unemp** | **Rate** |
| Mississippi | 18,357 | 16,900 | 1,457 | 7.9 | 17,904 | 16,923 | 981 | 5.5 | 18,621 | 17,016 | 1,605 | 8.6 |
| Monroe | 3,007 | 2,889 | 118 | 3.9 | 2,956 | 2,859 | 97 | 3.3 | 2,985 | 2,826 | 159 | 5.3 |
| Montgomery | 3,560 | 3,407 | 153 | 4.3 | 3,280 | 3,156 | 124 | 3.8 | 3,310 | 3,139 | 171 | 5.2 |
| Nevada | 3,846 | 3,706 | 140 | 3.6 | 3,772 | 3,647 | 125 | 3.3 | 3,761 | 3,613 | 148 | 3.9 |
| Newton | 3,515 | 3,400 | 115 | 3.3 | 3,444 | 3,336 | 108 | 3.1 | 3,514 | 3,379 | 135 | 3.8 |
| Ouachita | 10,140 | 9,694 | 446 | 4.4 | 9,983 | 9,559 | 424 | 4.2 | 10,103 | 9,542 | 561 | 5.6 |
| Perry | 4,314 | 4,146 | 168 | 3.9 | 4,212 | 4,050 | 162 | 3.8 | 4,256 | 4,049 | 207 | 4.9 |
| Phillips | 6,802 | 6,410 | 392 | 5.8 | 6,669 | 6,332 | 337 | 5.1 | 6,877 | 6,467 | 410 | 6.0 |
| Pike | 4,534 | 4,350 | 184 | 4.1 | 4,417 | 4,265 | 152 | 3.4 | 4,337 | 4,147 | 190 | 4.4 |
| Poinsett | 10,690 | 10,242 | 448 | 4.2 | 10,467 | 10,089 | 378 | 3.6 | 10,305 | 9,855 | 450 | 4.4 |
| Polk | 8,477 | 8,121 | 356 | 4.2 | 8,288 | 7,952 | 336 | 4.1 | 8,480 | 8,052 | 428 | 5.0 |
| Pope | 29,917 | 28,574 | 1,343 | 4.5 | 29,593 | 28,501 | 1,092 | 3.7 | 29,653 | 28,087 | 1,566 | 5.3 |
| Prairie | 3,849 | 3,698 | 151 | 3.9 | 3,777 | 3,639 | 138 | 3.7 | 3,710 | 3,565 | 145 | 3.9 |
| Pulaski | 193,364 | 186,812 | 6,552 | 3.4 | 188,383 | 182,436 | 5,947 | 3.2 | 190,185 | 182,995 | 7,190 | 3.8 |
| Randolph | 7,013 | 6,728 | 285 | 4.1 | 6,904 | 6,648 | 256 | 3.7 | 6,524 | 6,209 | 315 | 4.8 |
| St. Francis | 9,071 | 8,619 | 452 | 5.0 | 8,800 | 8,428 | 372 | 4.2 | 9,074 | 8,593 | 481 | 5.3 |
| Saline | 58,272 | 56,511 | 1,761 | 3.0 | 56,779 | 55,184 | 1,595 | 2.8 | 57,221 | 55,347 | 1,874 | 3.3 |
| Scott | 4,700 | 4,546 | 154 | 3.3 | 4,590 | 4,456 | 134 | 2.9 | 4,548 | 4,364 | 184 | 4.0 |
| Searcy | 3,153 | 3,019 | 134 | 4.2 | 2,997 | 2,882 | 115 | 3.8 | 3,292 | 3,151 | 141 | 4.3 |
| Sebastian | 59,255 | 57,139 | 2,116 | 3.6 | 58,204 | 56,268 | 1,936 | 3.3 | 58,869 | 56,604 | 2,265 | 3.8 |
| Sevier | 5,932 | 5,675 | 257 | 4.3 | 5,875 | 5,639 | 236 | 4.0 | 5,750 | 5,443 | 307 | 5.3 |
| Sharp | 6,384 | 6,087 | 297 | 4.7 | 6,222 | 5,944 | 278 | 4.5 | 6,229 | 5,895 | 334 | 5.4 |
| Stone | 4,986 | 4,759 | 227 | 4.6 | 4,814 | 4,602 | 212 | 4.4 | 4,869 | 4,622 | 247 | 5.1 |
| Union | 16,568 | 15,626 | 942 | 5.7 | 16,148 | 15,361 | 787 | 4.9 | 16,576 | 15,555 | 1,021 | 6.2 |
| Van Buren | 6,066 | 5,750 | 316 | 5.2 | 5,930 | 5,627 | 303 | 5.1 | 6,170 | 5,707 | 463 | 7.5 |
| Washington | 126,387 | 123,125 | 3,262 | 2.6 | 124,817 | 121,932 | 2,885 | 2.3 | 120,483 | 116,772 | 3,711 | 3.1 |
| White | 34,626 | 33,081 | 1,545 | 4.5 | 34,430 | 32,889 | 1,541 | 4.5 | 34,497 | 32,608 | 1,889 | 5.5 |
| Woodruff | 3,058 | 2,920 | 138 | 4.5 | 3,037 | 2,904 | 133 | 4.4 | 3,074 | 2,900 | 174 | 5.7 |
| Yell | 9,000 | 8,638 | 362 | 4.0 | 8,925 | 8,612 | 313 | 3.5 | 8,908 | 8,467 | 441 | 5.0 |

County Labor Force Summar y

Between May and June, unemployment rates increased in 71 of Arkansas’ 75 counties. The rate in Bradley County declined, while three counties were unchanged. Jobless rates ranged from a low of 2.6 percent in Washington County to a high of 7.9 percent in Mississippi County.

In June, thirty-three counties posted unemployment rates at or below four percent. That is down from 50 counties at or below four percent last month. For the 4th consecutive month, no county in Arkansas reported a jobless rate above eight percent.

Compared to June 2016, unemployment rates are down in 72 counties. Little River County and

Miller County both increased, while Prairie County remained the same over the year.

Benton

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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 Rate

Little River

Hempstead

Miller

Nevada

Ouachita

Calhoun

Bradley

Drew

Chicot

< or = 3.0%

3.1% - 5.0%

5.1% - 7.0%

Lafayette

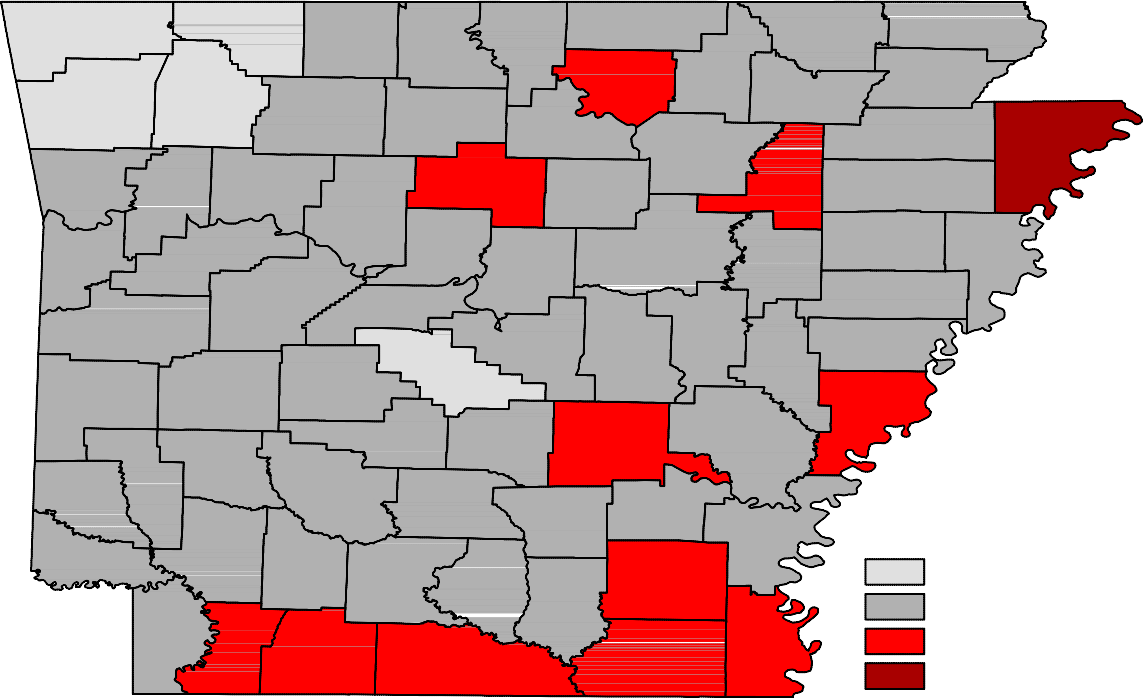
Columbia

Union

Ashley

> 7.0%

Ranked by Unemployment Rates



June 2017- Not Seasonally Adjusted



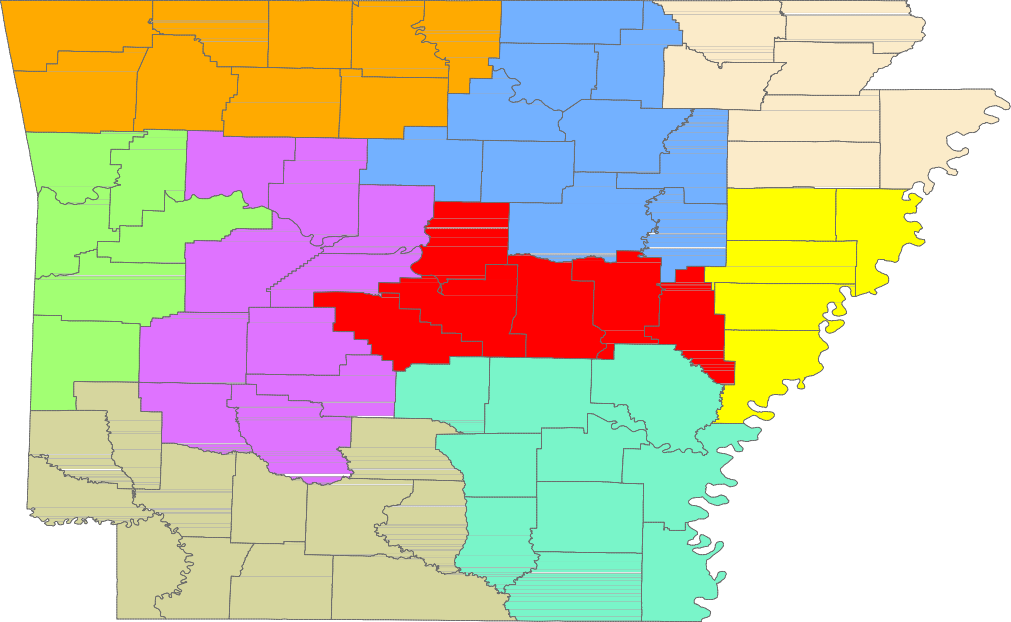
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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Rank**  1 | **County**  Washington | **Rate**  2.6 | **Rank**  25 | **County**  Greene | **Rate**  3.9 | **Rank**  49 | **County**  Crittenden | **Rate**  4.5 |
| 2 | Madison | 2.7 | 25 | Hot Spring | 3.9 | 49 | Lee | 4.5 |
| 3 | Carroll | 2.9 | 25 | Logan | 3.9 | 49 | Miller | 4.5 |
| 4 | Benton | 3.0 | 25 | Monroe | 3.9 | 49 | Pope | 4.5 |
| 4 | Saline | 3.0 | 25 | Perry | 3.9 | 49 | White | 4.5 |
| 6 | Arkansas | 3.1 | 25 | Prairie | 3.9 | 49 | Woodruff | 4.5 |
| 6 | Boone | 3.1 | 32 | Garland | 4.0 | 57 | Dallas | 4.6 |
| 6 | Craighead | 3.1 | 32 | Yell | 4.0 | 57 | Stone | 4.6 |
| 9 | Grant | 3.2 | 34 | Baxter | 4.1 | 59 | Conway | 4.7 |
| 9 | Howard | 3.2 | 34 | Lincoln | 4.1 | 59 | Sharp | 4.7 |
| 9 | Lonoke | 3.2 | 34 | Pike | 4.1 | 61 | Little River | 4.8 |
| 12 | Newton | 3.3 | 34 | Randolph | 4.1 | 62 | Desha | 5.0 |
| 12 | Scott | 3.3 | 38 | Johnson | 4.2 | 62 | St. Francis | 5.0 |
| 14 | Faulkner | 3.4 | 38 | Poinsett | 4.2 | 64 | Drew | 5.2 |
| 14 | Hempstead | 3.4 | 38 | Polk | 4.2 | 64 | Lafayette | 5.2 |
| 14 | Pulaski | 3.4 | 38 | Searcy | 4.2 | 64 | Van Buren | 5.2 |
| 17 | Franklin | 3.5 | 42 | Bradley | 4.3 | 67 | Izard | 5.3 |
| 18 | Crawford | 3.6 | 42 | Independence | 4.3 | 67 | Jefferson | 5.3 |
| 18 | Nevada | 3.6 | 42 | Montgomery | 4.3 | 69 | Columbia | 5.4 |
| 18 | Sebastian | 3.6 | 42 | Sevier | 4.3 | 70 | Jackson | 5.5 |
| 21 | Marion | 3.7 | 46 | Clark | 4.4 | 71 | Ashley | 5.6 |
| 22 | Calhoun | 3.8 | 46 | Clay | 4.4 | 72 | Union | 5.7 |
| 22 | Cross | 3.8 | 46 | Ouachita | 4.4 | 73 | Chicot | 5.8 |
| 22 | Lawrence | 3.8 | 49 | Cleburne | 4.5 | 73 | Phillips | 5.8 |
| 25 | Fulton | 3.9 | 49 | Cleveland | 4.5 | 75 | Mississippi | 7.9 |

Civilian Labor Force Estimates

LWDA Labor Force Estimates (Not Seasonally Adjusted)



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| **LWDA CLF** | | **June 2017**  **Emp Unemp** | | **Rate** | **CLF** | **May 2017**  **Emp Unemp** | | **Rate** | **CLF** | **June 2016**  **Emp Unemp** | | **Rate** |
| Central (minus LR) 255,467 247,022 8,445 3.3 248,995 241,315 7,680 3.1 251,210 241,828 9,382 3.7 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| City of Little Rock | 99,542 | 96,222 | 3,320 | 3.3 | 96,963 | 93,968 | 2,995 | 3.1 | 97,967 | 94,256 | 3,711 | 3.8 |
| Eastern | 49,571 | 47,271 | 2,300 | 4.6 | 48,451 | 46,474 | 1,977 | 4.1 | 49,030 | 46,577 | 2,453 | 5.0 |
| North Central | 97,910 | 93,428 | 4,482 | 4.6 | 96,498 | 92,294 | 4,204 | 4.4 | 97,084 | 91,639 | 5,445 | 5.6 |
| Northeast | 123,856 | 118,649 | 5,207 | 4.2 | 121,627 | 117,436 | 4,191 | 3.4 | 121,362 | 115,509 | 5,853 | 4.8 |
| Northwest | 327,933 | 318,411 | 9,522 | 2.9 | 323,555 | 315,044 | 8,511 | 2.6 | 314,263 | 304,111 | 10,152 | 3.2 |
| Southeast | 84,833 | 80,849 | 3,984 | 4.7 | 83,455 | 79,908 | 3,547 | 4.3 | 83,941 | 79,386 | 4,555 | 5.4 |
| Southwest | 97,263 | 92,834 | 4,429 | 4.6 | 95,328 | 91,508 | 3,820 | 4.0 | 96,221 | 91,368 | 4,853 | 5.0 |
| West Central | 137,282 | 131,527 | 5,755 | 4.2 | 134,898 | 129,996 | 4,902 | 3.6 | 134,787 | 128,159 | 6,628 | 4.9 |
| Western | 116,865 | 112,628 | 4,237 | 3.6 | 114,721 | 110,873 | 3,848 | 3.4 | 116,097 | 111,261 | 4,836 | 4.2 |



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Northeast

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West Central

Western

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