

Labor Market Report

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The *Arkansas Labor Market* is prepared monthly in conjunction with the U.S. Depart- ment of Labor, Bureau 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 number of jobs by industry and reflect employment by place of work. Hours and earnings estimates are based on payroll and worker-hour data collected 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 2018 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 Work- force Services. The data are based on es- tablishment 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 Man- agement and Budget to counties that have one or more central cities and that meet specified criteria of population density, com- muting patterns and social and economic integration.

**Current Population Survey (CPS)**

A monthly sample survey of the popula- tion 16 years of age and over, designed to provide data on the labor force, the employed and the unemployed. 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. Approximately 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 during the calendar week which includes the 12th of the month. Also included are those who, although not work- ing, 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 oc- cur during the year due to seasonal events such as weather, major holidays, schedule shifts, harvest times, and the opening/clos- ing of schools.



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## Januar y Spotlight

**Upcoming in 2019**

**2019 Arkansas Publication Schedule**

**Reference Month**

**State Press Release**

**MSA’s & Counties\***

\*Date when Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs) and county labor force statistics will be available on Discover Arkansas.

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| January | 03/11/19 | 03/15/19 |
| February | 03/22/19 | 04/03/19 |
| March | 04/19/19 | 05/01/19 |
| April | 05/17/19 | 05/29/19 |
| May | 06/21/19 | 07/03/19 |
| June | 07/19/19 | 08/01/19 |
| July | 08/16/19 | 08/28/19 |
| August | 09/20/19 | 10/02/19 |
| September | 10/18/19 | 10/30/19 |
| October | 11/19/19 | 11/27/19 |
| November | 12/20/19 | 01/03/20 |
| December | 01/24/20 | 02/05/20 |

**Changes Affecting Data**

### Arkansas Civilian Labor Force:

In accordance with guidelines from the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Arkansas’ Civilian Labor Force (CLF) estimates have undergone annual processing. The purpose of annual pro- cessing is to incorporate more complete and accurate information into the estimation process.

All levels of data—State, counties, Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs), Micropolitan Statistical Areas, Local Workforce Development Areas, and cities—have been revised from January 2010 through Decem- ber 2018. All newly revised Statewide and sub-state CLF data is now available at [www.discover.arkansas.](http://www.discover.arkansas/) gov.

### Arkansas Nonfarm Payroll Jobs:

In accordance with the same guidelines, the Current Employment Statistics program also re-estimated the Nonfarm Payroll Job series to include more comprehensive and precise information into the calcu- lations. Statewide estimates were revised back to the beginning of the current series in January 1976. MSA estimates were also revised back to the start of the series, which dates back to January 1990. All revised Nonfarm Payroll Jobs data are available on the Discover Arkansas website.

## State of Arkansas

**Civilian Labor Force Summary**

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 3.7 percent between December 2018 and January 2019. The December 2018 rate was revised up from 3.6 percent to 3.7 percent. Arkansas’ civilian labor force increased 2,154, a result of 1,334 more employed and 820 additional unemployed Arkansans. The United States’ jobless rate rose one-tenth of a percentage point, from 3.9 percent in December 2018 to 4.0 percent in January 2019.

BLS Program Operations Manager Susan Price said, “Employment in Arkansas is up 4,696 compared to January 2018. Additionally, the annual revision shows that there were more employed Arkansans in the second half of 2018 than originally estimated.”

**Civilian Labor Force Estimates**

Seasonally Adjusted

Not Seasonally Adjusted

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| Civilian Labor Force | **Jan 19**  1,355,245 | **Dec 18**  1,353,091 | **Jan 18**  1,351,032 | Civilian Labor Force | **Jan 19**  1,337,090 | **Dec 18**  1,344,510 | **Jan 18**  1,327,167 |
| Employment | 1,304,727 | 1,303,393 | 1,300,031 | Employment | 1,277,555 | 1,295,892 | 1,269,989 |
| Unemployment | 50,518 | 49,698 | 51,001 | Unemployment | 59,535 | 48,618 | 57,178 |
| Unemployment Rate | 3.7 | 3.7 | 3.8 | Unemployment Rate | 4.5 | 3.6 | 4.3 |
| U.S. Unemployment | 4.0 | 3.9 | 4.1 | U.S. Unemployment | 4.4 | 3.7 | 4.5 |

1,320,000

**Number of Employed (Seasonally Adjusted)**

January: 2009 - 2019

1,300,000

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1,280,000

1,260,000

1,240,000

1,220,000

1,200,000

1,180,000

1,160,000

1,140,000

2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019

## State of Arkansas

**Nonfarm Payroll Jobs**

**Not Seasonally Adjusted**

(In Thousands)

**(NAICS)**

**Jan 19**

**Dec 18**

**Jan 18**

**OTM**

**OT Y**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Total Nonfarm** | 1254.1 | 1273.3 | 1242.8 | -19.2 | 11.3 |
| **Goods Producing** | 217.7 | 219.6 | 213.2 | -1.9 | 4.5 |
| **Mining, Logging, and Construction** | 55.7 | 56.0 | 54.3 | -0.3 | 1.4 |
| **Mining & Logging** | **5.8** | **5.8** | **5.8** | **0.0** | **0.0** |
| **Construction** | **49.9** | **50.2** | **48.5** | **-0.3** | **1.4** |
| **Specialty Trade Contractors** | 31.5 | 31.7 | 30.4 | -0.2 | 1.1 |
| **Manufacturing** | **162.0** | **163.6** | **158.9** | **-1.6** | **3.1** |
| **Durable Goods** | 79.0 | 78.9 | 75.3 | 0.1 | 3.7 |
| **Nondurable Goods** | 83.0 | 84.7 | 83.6 | -1.7 | -0.6 |
| **Service Providing** | 1036.4 | 1053.7 | 1029.6 | -17.3 | 6.8 |
| **Trade, Transportation & Utilities** | **251.1** | **256.5** | **249.1** | **-5.4** | **2.0** |
| **Wholesale Trade** | 48.3 | 48.6 | 46.7 | -0.3 | 1.6 |
| **Retail Trade** | 137.2 | 141.0 | 138.6 | -3.8 | -1.4 |
| **Transport, Warehousing & Utilities** | 65.6 | 66.9 | 63.8 | -1.3 | 1.8 |
| **Information** | **11.0** | **11.2** | **11.4** | **-0.2** | **-0.4** |
| **Financial Activities** | **61.1** | **61.1** | **59.8** | **0.0** | **1.3** |
| **Finance & Insurance** | 47.6 | 47.4 | 46.4 | 0.2 | 1.2 |
| **Real Estate & Rental & Leasing** | 13.5 | 13.7 | 13.4 | -0.2 | 0.1 |
| **Professional & Business Services** | **142.5** | **144.5** | **142.8** | **-2.0** | **-0.3** |
| **Professional, Scientific & Technical** | 44.5 | 44.3 | 43.5 | 0.2 | 1.0 |
| **Management of Companies** | 35.0 | 35.1 | 34.9 | -0.1 | 0.1 |
| **Administrative & Support Services** | 63.0 | 65.1 | 64.4 | -2.1 | -1.4 |
| **Educational & Health Services** | **190.6** | **192.9** | **189.7** | **-2.3** | **0.9** |
| **Educational Services** | 15.0 | 15.8 | 15.6 | -0.8 | -0.6 |
| **Health Care & Social Assistance** | 175.6 | 177.1 | 174.1 | -1.5 | 1.5 |
| **Ambulatory Health Care** | 58.5 | 59.4 | 57.2 | -0.9 | 1.3 |
| **Social Assistance** | 40.1 | 40.5 | 39.6 | -0.4 | 0.5 |
| **Leisure & Hospitality** | **114.2** | **117.3** | **112.6** | **-3.1** | **1.6** |
| **Arts, Entertainment & Recreation** | 9.6 | 9.7 | 9.8 | -0.1 | -0.2 |
| **Accommodation & Food Services** | 104.6 | 107.6 | 102.8 | -3.0 | 1.8 |
| **Accommodation Services** | 10.4 | 10.9 | 10.4 | -0.5 | 0.0 |
| **Food Services** | 94.2 | 96.7 | 92.4 | -2.5 | 1.8 |
| **Other Services** | **53.8** | **53.5** | **52.7** | **0.3** | **1.1** |
| **Government** | **212.1** | **216.7** | **211.5** | **-4.6** | **0.6** |
| **Federal Government** | 19.8 | 20.4 | 20.0 | -0.6 | -0.2 |
| **State Government** | 76.7 | 79.4 | 76.9 | -2.7 | -0.2 |
| **Local Government** | 115.6 | 116.9 | 114.6 | -1.3 | 1.0 |

## State of Arkansas

**Nonfarm Payroll Job Summary**

**December 2018 - Januar y 2019**

Nonfarm payroll jobs in Arkansas declined 19,200 in January to total 1,254,100. Eight major industry sectors posted job losses, most of which were seasonal. The largest decrease occurred in **trade-trans- portation-utilities** (-5,400). A majority of the contraction was in retail trade (-3,800), marking the end of temporary holiday hiring. **Government** employment was down 4,600, related to public schools and universities closing for winter break. Jobs in **leisure and hospitality** declined 3,100. Most of the loss was reported in food services (-2,500), due in part to the temporary shutdown of food service contrac- tors at colleges. Employment in **educational and health services** decreased 2,300, with losses in both in health care and social assistance (-1,500) and educational services (-800).

**Januar y 2018 - Januar y 2019**

Compared to January 2018, Arkansas’ nonfarm payroll employment is up 11,300. Growth was reported in eight major industry sectors, while two sectors had minor declines. **Manufacturing** added 3,100 jobs, all in durable goods manufacturing (+3,700). Employment in **trade, transportation, and utili- ties** increased 2,000. Expansions in transportation-warehousing-utilities (+1,800) and wholesale trade (+1,600) were offset by losses in retail trade (-1,400). Jobs in **leisure and hospitality** rose 1,600, all in food services (+1,800). **Construction** added 1,400 jobs, mostly in specialty trade contractors (+1,100). Notable gains were also posted in **financial activities** (+1,300) and in **other services** (+1,100).

166,000

**Jobs in Manufacturing (Not Seasonally Adjusted)**

January 2014 - January 2019

164,000

162,000

160,000

158,000

156,000

154,000

152,000

150,000

148,000

146,000

Jan '14 July '14 Jan '15 July '15 Jan '16 July '16 Jan '17 July '17 Jan '18 July '18 Jan '19

## State of Arkansas

**Production Workers- Hours and Earnings**

**Manufacturing**

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **Jan 19** | **Dec 18** | **Jan 18** |
| Average Weekly Hours | 41.2 | 41.7 | 41.5 |
| Average Hourly Earnings | 18.44 | 18.39 | 16.27 |
| Average Weekly Earnings | 759.73 | 766.86 | 675.21 |

**Durable Goods and Nondurable Goods Manufacturing**

Durable Goods Manufacturing

Nondurable Goods Manufacturing

**Jan 19 Dec 18**

**Jan 18**

Average Weekly Hours 40.3 39.4

Average Hourly Earnings 16.42 15.77

Average Weekly Earnings 661.73 621.34

41.2

14.96

616.35

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|  | **Jan 19** | **Dec 18** | **Jan 18** |
| Average Weekly Hours | 42.2 | 44.4 | 41.7 |
| Average Hourly Earnings | 20.61 | 21.05 | 17.84 |
| Average Weekly Earnings | 869.74 | 934.62 | 743.93 |

$900.00

**Average Weekly Earnings of Production Workers - Durable Goods Manufacturing**

January: 2009 - 2019

$850.00

$800.00

$750.00

$700.00

$650.00

$600.00

$550.00

$500.00

$450.00

$400.00

2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019

## Metropolitan Statistical Areas

**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)**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **Jan 19** | **Dec 18** | **Jan 18** | **OTM** | **OT Y** |
| **Civilian Labor Force** | 350,489 | 352,310 | 348,050 | -1,821 | 2,439 |
| **Employment** | 336,682 | 340,771 | 334,793 | -4,089 | 1,889 |
| **Unemployment** | 13,807 | 11,539 | 13,257 | 2,268 | 550 |
| **Unemployment Rate** | 3.9 | 3.3 | 3.8 | 0.6 | 0.1 |

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

(In Thousands)

327.5

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| **NAICS**  **Total Nonfarm** | **Jan 19**  358.3 | **Dec 18**  365.0 | **Jan 18**  355.4 | **OTM**  -6.7 | **OT Y**  2.9 |
| **Goods Producing** | 37.4 | 37.5 | 36.7 | -0.1 | 0.7 |
| **Mining, Logging & Construction** | **16.4** | **16.4** | **16.4** | **0.0** | **0.0** |
| **Manufacturing**  **Service Providing** | **21.0**  320.9 | **21.1** | **20.3** | **-0.1** | **0.7** |
| **Trade, Transportation & Utilities** | **70.6** | **72.2** | **69.7** | -6.6  **-1.6** | 2.2  **0.9** |
| **Wholesale Trade** | 15.9 | 16.0 | 15.7 | -0.1 | 0.2 |
| **Retail Trade** | 38.8 | 40.0 | 38.7 | -1.2 | 0.1 |
| **Trans., Warehousing & Utilities** | 15.9 | 16.2 | 15.3 | -0.3 | 0.6 |
| **Information** | **4.2** | **4.2** | **4.4** | **0.0** | **-0.2** |
| **Financial Activities** | **21.4** | **21.5** | **20.8** | **-0.1** | **0.6** |
| **Professional & Business Services** | **48.3** | **49.5** | **48.5** | **-1.2** | **-0.2** |
| **Educational & Health Services** | **55.9** | **57.4** | **56.3** | **-1.5** | **-0.4** |
| **Leisure & Hospitality** | **33.9** | **35.1** | **33.3** | **-1.2** | **0.6** |
| **Other Services** | **15.7** | **15.7** | **15.3** | **0.0** | **0.4** |
| **Government** | **70.9** | **71.9** | **70.4** | **-1.0** | **0.5** |
| **Federal Government** | 9.6 | 9.9 | 9.6 | -0.3 | 0.0 |
| **State Government** | 35.3 | 35.8 | 35.0 | -0.5 | 0.3 |
| **Local Government** | 26.0 | 26.2 | 25.8 | -0.2 | 0.2 |

318.7

**Population in the Civilian Labor Force**

January 2017 - January 2019

370,000

**Jobs in Service Providing Industries**

January: 1999 - 2019

340,000

365,000

320,000

360,000

300,000

355,000

280,000

350,000

260,000

345,000

240,000

340,000

220,000

335,000

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200,000

## Metropolitan Statistical Areas

**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)**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **Jan 19** | **Dec 18** | **Jan 18** | **OTM** | **OT Y** |
| **Civilian Labor Force** | 271,054 | 273,049 | 268,003 | -1,995 | 3,051 |
| **Employment** | 262,323 | 265,770 | 259,564 | -3,447 | 2,759 |
| **Unemployment** | 8,731 | 7,279 | 8,439 | 1,452 | 292 |
| **Unemployment Rate** | 3.2 | 2.7 | 3.1 | 0.5 | 0.1 |

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

(In Thousands)

219.0

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| **NAICS**  **Total Nonfarm** | **Jan 19**  256.0 | **Dec 18**  260.7 | **Jan 18**  252.4 | **OTM**  -4.7 | **OT Y**  3.6 |
| **Goods Producing** | 41.5 | 41.7 | 40.6 | -0.2 | 0.9 |
| **Mining, Logging & Construction** | **11.5** | **11.7** | **11.2** | **-0.2** | **0.3** |
| **Manufacturing**  **Service Providing** | **30.0**  214.5 | **30.0** | **29.4** | **0.0** | **0.6** |
| **Trade, Transportation & Utilities** | **56.1** | **57.0** | **55.3** | -4.5  **-0.9** | 2.7  **0.8** |
| **Wholesale Trade** | 12.3 | 12.3 | 12.1 | 0.0 | 0.2 |
| **Retail Trade** | 26.0 | 26.8 | 26.4 | -0.8 | -0.4 |
| **Trans., Warehousing & Utilities** | 17.8 | 17.9 | 16.8 | -0.1 | 1.0 |
| **Information** | **2.1** | **2.1** | **2.0** | **0.0** | **0.1** |
| **Financial Activities** | **8.2** | **8.3** | **8.0** | **-0.1** | **0.2** |
| **Professional & Business Services** | **49.8** | **50.1** | **49.2** | **-0.3** | **0.6** |
| **Educational & Health Services** | **29.5** | **29.7** | **28.9** | **-0.2** | **0.6** |
| **Leisure & Hospitality** | **23.6** | **24.7** | **24.8** | **-1.1** | **-1.2** |
| **Other Services** | **9.3** | **9.3** | **9.0** | **0.0** | **0.3** |
| **Government** | **35.9** | **37.8** | **34.6** | **-1.9** | **1.3** |
| **Federal Government** | 2.6 | 2.6 | 2.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| **State Government** | 14.2 | 15.7 | 13.2 | -1.5 | 1.0 |
| **Local Government** | 19.1 | 19.5 | 18.8 | -0.4 | 0.3 |

211.8

**Number of Employed**

January: 1999 - 2019

280,000

**Nonfarm Payroll Jobs**

January 2017 - January 2019

265,000

260,000

260,000

240,000

220,000

255,000

200,000

250,000

180,000

160,000

245,000

140,000

240,000

120,000

235,000

100,000

'99 '01 '03 '05 '07 '09 '11 '13 '15 '17 '19

Jan '17

July '17

Jan '18

July '18

Jan '19

## Metropolitan Statistical Areas

**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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|  | **Jan 19** | **Dec 18** | **Jan 18** | **OTM** | **OT Y** |
| **Civilian Labor Force** | 117,611 | 118,086 | 118,800 | -475 | -1,189 |
| **Employment** | 112,481 | 113,788 | 113,351 | -1,307 | -870 |
| **Unemployment** | 5,130 | 4,298 | 5,449 | 832 | -319 |
| **Unemployment Rate** | 4.4 | 3.6 | 4.6 | 0.8 | -0.2 |

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

(In Thousands)

91.1

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| **NAICS**  **Total Nonfarm** | **Jan 19**  112.3 | **Dec 18**  114.2 | **Jan 18**  112.5 | **OTM**  -1.9 | **OT Y**  -0.2 |
| **Goods Producing** | 22.9 | 23.1 | 22.9 | -0.2 | 0.0 |
| **Mining, Logging & Construction** | **5.1** | **5.2** | **5.1** | **-0.1** | **0.0** |
| **Manufacturing**  **Service Providing** | **17.8**  89.4 | **17.9** | **17.8** | **-0.1** | **0.0** |
| **Trade, Transportation & Utilities** | **23.2** | **23.5** | **23.2** | -1.7  **-0.3** | -0.2  **0.0** |
| **Wholesale Trade** | 4.2 | 4.2 | 4.1 | 0.0 | 0.1 |
| **Retail Trade** | 12.4 | 12.6 | 12.5 | -0.2 | -0.1 |
| **Trans., Warehousing & Utilities** | 6.6 | 6.7 | 6.6 | -0.1 | 0.0 |
| **Information** | **1.1** | **1.1** | **1.2** | **0.0** | **-0.1** |
| **Financial Activities** | **4.0** | **4.0** | **3.9** | **0.0** | **0.1** |
| **Professional & Business Services** | **12.5** | **13.0** | **12.6** | **-0.5** | **-0.1** |
| **Educational & Health Services** | **17.0** | **17.1** | **16.8** | **-0.1** | **0.2** |
| **Leisure & Hospitality** | **9.1** | **9.3** | **9.1** | **-0.2** | **0.0** |
| **Other Services** | **4.5** | **4.5** | **4.4** | **0.0** | **0.1** |
| **Government** | **18.0** | **18.6** | **18.4** | **-0.6** | **-0.4** |
| **Federal Government** | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| **State Government** | 2.7 | 3.2 | 2.8 | -0.5 | -0.1 |
| **Local Government** | 14.0 | 14.1 | 14.3 | -0.1 | -0.3 |

89.6

**Unemployment Rates**

January 2018 - January 2019

5.0

**Jobs in Educational and Health Services**

January: 2009 - 2019

17,500

4.5

17,000

16,500

4.0

16,000

3.5

15,500

3.0

15,000

2.5

14,500

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

14,000

'09 '10 '11 '12 '13 '14 '15 '16 '17 '18 '19

## Metropolitan Statistical Areas

**Hot Springs MSA**

The Hot Springs MSA = Garland County.

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

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **Jan 19** | **Dec 18** | **Jan 18** | **OTM** | **OT Y** |
| **Civilian Labor Force** | 40,640 | 40,005 | 40,106 | 635 | 534 |
| **Employment** | 38,696 | 38,413 | 38,236 | 283 | 460 |
| **Unemployment** | 1,944 | 1,592 | 1,870 | 352 | 74 |
| **Unemployment Rate** | 4.8 | 4.0 | 4.7 | 0.8 | 0.1 |

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

(In Thousands)

**NAICS**

**Total Nonfarm Goods Producing Service Providing Government**

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Jan 19** | **Dec 18** | **Jan 18** | **OTM** | **OT Y** |
| 38.9 | 38.8 | 38.2 | 0.1 | 0.7 |
| 4.4 | 4.5 | 4.3 | -0.1 | 0.1 |
| 34.5 | 34.3 | 33.9 | 0.2 | 0.6 |
| 4.5 | 4.6 | 4.5 | -0.1 | 0.0 |

45,000

**Civilian Labor Force**

January: 1999 - 2019

Employment + Unemployment = Civilian Labor Force

40,000

35,000

30,000

25,000

20,000

15,000

10,000

5,000

0

'99 '01 '03 '05 '07 '09 '11 '13 '15 '17 '19

Employment Unemployment

## Metropolitan Statistical Areas

**Jonesboro MSA**

The Jonesboro MSA = Craighead & Poinsett counties.

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

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **Jan 19** | **Dec 18** | **Jan 18** | **OTM** | **OT Y** |
| **Civilian Labor Force** | 63,582 | 64,122 | 63,114 | -540 | 468 |
| **Employment** | 61,215 | 62,175 | 60,728 | -960 | 487 |
| **Unemployment** | 2,367 | 1,947 | 2,386 | 420 | -19 |
| **Unemployment Rate** | 3.7 | 3.0 | 3.8 | 0.7 | -0.1 |

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

(In Thousands)

**NAICS**

**Total Nonfarm Goods Producing Service Providing Government**

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Jan 19** | **Dec 18** | **Jan 18** | **OTM** | **OT Y** |
| 58.0 | 59.1 | 57.5 | -1.1 | 0.5 |
| 9.9 | 9.9 | 9.7 | 0.0 | 0.2 |
| 48.1 | 49.2 | 47.8 | -1.1 | 0.3 |
| 9.0 | 9.1 | 9.2 | -0.1 | -0.2 |

60,000

**Nonfarm Payroll Jobs**

January 2014 - January 2019

58,000

56,000

54,000

52,000

50,000

48,000

46,000

Jan '14 July '14 Jan '15 July '15 Jan '16 July '16 Jan '17 July '17 Jan '18 July '18 Jan '19

## Metropolitan Statistical Areas

**Pine Bluff MSA**

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

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

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **Jan 19** | **Dec 18** | **Jan 18** | **OTM** | **OT Y** |
| **Civilian Labor Force** | 34,931 | 35,221 | 34,776 | -290 | 155 |
| **Employment** | 32,756 | 33,430 | 32,846 | -674 | -90 |
| **Unemployment** | 2,175 | 1,791 | 1,930 | 384 | 245 |
| **Unemployment Rate** | 6.2 | 5.1 | 5.5 | 1.1 | 0.7 |

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

(In Thousands)

**NAICS**

**Total Nonfarm Goods Producing Service Providing Government**

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Jan 19** | **Dec 18** | **Jan 18** | **OTM** | **OT Y** |
| 32.7 | 33.6 | 32.7 | -0.9 | 0.0 |
| 5.9 | 6.1 | 6.0 | -0.2 | -0.1 |
| 26.8 | 27.5 | 26.7 | -0.7 | 0.1 |
| 9.0 | 9.3 | 9.0 | -0.3 | 0.0 |

32,000

**Jobs in Service Providing Industries**

January: 2009 - 2019

30,000

28,000

26,000

24,000

22,000

20,000

2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019

## Metropolitan Statistical Areas

**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.

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **Jan 19** | **Dec 18** | **Jan 18** | **OTM** | **OT Y** |
| **Civilian Labor Force** | 634,776 | 638,849 | 626,017 | -4,073 | 8,759 |
| **Employment** | 607,295 | 615,344 | 598,070 | -8,049 | 9,225 |
| **Unemployment** | 27,481 | 23,505 | 27,947 | 3,976 | -466 |
| **Unemployment Rate** | 4.3 | 3.7 | 4.5 | 0.6 | -0.2 |

### Texarkana MSA

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

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **Jan 19** | **Dec 18** | **Jan 18** | **OTM** | **OT Y** |
| **Civilian Labor Force** | 64,984 | 65,165 | 63,885 | -181 | 1,099 |
| **Employment** | 61,362 | 62,063 | 60,805 | -701 | 557 |
| **Unemployment** | 3,622 | 3,102 | 3,080 | 520 | 542 |
| **Unemployment Rate** | 5.6 | 4.8 | 4.8 | 0.8 | 0.8 |

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| **Memphis CLF - Unemployment Rates** |  | **Texarkana MSA - Number of Employed** |
| January: 2009 - 2019  12.0 | 63,500 | January 2016 - January 2019 |

63,000

10.0

62,500

62,000

8.0

61,500

6.0

61,000

60,500

4.0

60,000

59,500

2.0

'09 '10 '11 '12 '13 '14 '15 '16 '17 '18 '19

59,000

Jan '16 July '16 Jan '17 July '17 Jan '18 July '18 Jan '19

## Micropolitan Statistical Areas and Cities

**Civilian Labor Force Estimates**

**Micropolitan Labor Force Estimates**

**Not Seasonally Adjusted**

**Micro Area**

**January 2019**

**CLF Emp Unemp Rate**

**December 2018**

**CLF Emp Unemp Rate**

**January 2018**

**CLF Emp Unemp Rate**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Arkadelphia Micro | 9,599 | 9,166 | 433 | 4.5 | 9,877 | 9,539 | 338 | 3.4 | 9,294 | 8,889 | 405 | 4.4 |
| Batesville Micro | 16,359 | 15,579 | 780 | 4.8 | 16,306 | 15,660 | 646 | 4.0 | 16,032 | 15,266 | 766 | 4.8 |
| Blytheville Micro | 16,952 | 15,946 | 1,006 | 5.9 | 17,479 | 16,622 | 857 | 4.9 | 17,155 | 16,087 | 1,068 | 6.2 |
| Camden Micro | 12,481 | 11,669 | 812 | 6.5 | 12,127 | 11,603 | 524 | 4.3 | 11,939 | 11,329 | 610 | 5.1 |
| El Dorado Micro | 15,840 | 14,893 | 947 | 6.0 | 15,806 | 15,020 | 786 | 5.0 | 15,891 | 14,913 | 978 | 6.2 |
| Forrest City Micro | 8,256 | 7,716 | 540 | 6.5 | 8,262 | 7,821 | 441 | 5.3 | 8,235 | 7,714 | 521 | 6.3 |
| Harrison Micro | 19,090 | 18,301 | 789 | 4.1 | 18,958 | 18,310 | 648 | 3.4 | 18,972 | 18,126 | 846 | 4.5 |
| Helena-West Helena Micro | 6,573 | 6,102 | 471 | 7.2 | 6,547 | 6,179 | 368 | 5.6 | 6,646 | 6,143 | 503 | 7.6 |
| Hope Micro | 13,439 | 12,830 | 609 | 4.5 | 13,566 | 13,073 | 493 | 3.6 | 13,323 | 12,808 | 515 | 3.9 |
| Magnolia Micro | 9,050 | 8,573 | 477 | 5.3 | 8,899 | 8,501 | 398 | 4.5 | 9,008 | 8,521 | 487 | 5.4 |
| Malvern Micro | 13,879 | 13,278 | 601 | 4.3 | 13,909 | 13,419 | 490 | 3.5 | 13,812 | 13,222 | 590 | 4.3 |
| Mountain Home Micro | 16,256 | 15,394 | 862 | 5.3 | 16,555 | 15,839 | 716 | 4.3 | 16,125 | 15,305 | 820 | 5.1 |
| Paragould Micro | 19,713 | 18,863 | 850 | 4.3 | 19,509 | 18,821 | 688 | 3.5 | 19,467 | 18,643 | 824 | 4.2 |
| Russellville Micro | 37,131 | 35,088 | 2,043 | 5.5 | 37,473 | 35,857 | 1,616 | 4.3 | 36,989 | 35,043 | 1,946 | 5.3 |
| Searcy Micro | 33,577 | 31,640 | 1,937 | 5.8 | 33,839 | 32,323 | 1,516 | 4.5 | 33,550 | 31,763 | 1,787 | 5.3 |

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

**City Labor Force Statistics**

Malvern Micro = Hot Spring County

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



**City**

**CLF**

**January 2019**

**Emp Unemp**

**Not Seasonally Adjusted**

**December 2018**

**Rate**

**CLF**

**Emp Unemp Rate**

**January 2018**

**CLF Emp Unemp Rate**

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|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Bella Vista | 12,152 | 11,537 | 615 | 5.1 | 12,186 | 11,687 | 499 | 4.1 | 11,965 | 11,410 | 555 | 4.6 |
| Benton | 16,967 | 16,341 | 626 | 3.7 | 17,051 | 16,531 | 520 | 3.0 | 16,874 | 16,254 | 620 | 3.7 |
| Bentonville | 25,687 | 24,946 | 741 | 2.9 | 25,906 | 25,271 | 635 | 2.5 | 25,445 | 24,672 | 773 | 3.0 |
| Blytheville | 5,726 | 5,393 | 333 | 5.8 | 5,917 | 5,622 | 295 | 5.0 | 5,806 | 5,441 | 365 | 6.3 |
| Cabot | 11,797 | 11,359 | 438 | 3.7 | 11,884 | 11,529 | 355 | 3.0 | 11,678 | 11,282 | 396 | 3.4 |
| Conway | 33,088 | 31,860 | 1,228 | 3.7 | 33,298 | 32,257 | 1,041 | 3.1 | 32,912 | 31,688 | 1,224 | 3.7 |
| El Dorado | 6,884 | 6,434 | 450 | 6.5 | 6,875 | 6,489 | 386 | 5.6 | 6,914 | 6,442 | 472 | 6.8 |
| Fayetteville | 46,677 | 45,180 | 1,497 | 3.2 | 46,989 | 45,769 | 1,220 | 2.6 | 46,023 | 44,700 | 1,323 | 2.9 |
| Fort Smith | 38,921 | 37,359 | 1,562 | 4.0 | 39,169 | 37,797 | 1,372 | 3.5 | 39,116 | 37,509 | 1,607 | 4.1 |
| Hot Springs | 14,515 | 13,730 | 785 | 5.4 | 14,258 | 13,630 | 628 | 4.4 | 14,316 | 13,567 | 749 | 5.2 |
| Jacksonville | 11,552 | 11,022 | 530 | 4.6 | 11,629 | 11,149 | 480 | 4.1 | 11,504 | 10,962 | 542 | 4.7 |
| Jonesboro | 37,577 | 36,228 | 1,349 | 3.6 | 37,892 | 36,761 | 1,131 | 3.0 | 37,285 | 35,954 | 1,331 | 3.6 |
| Little Rock | 96,196 | 92,357 | 3,839 | 4.0 | 96,706 | 93,421 | 3,285 | 3.4 | 95,463 | 91,852 | 3,611 | 3.8 |
| North Little Rock | 29,417 | 28,139 | 1,278 | 4.3 | 29,570 | 28,463 | 1,107 | 3.7 | 29,249 | 27,985 | 1,264 | 4.3 |
| Paragould | 12,404 | 11,814 | 590 | 4.8 | 12,270 | 11,788 | 482 | 3.9 | 12,223 | 11,676 | 547 | 4.5 |
| Pine Bluff | 16,476 | 15,340 | 1,136 | 6.9 | 16,637 | 15,632 | 1,005 | 6.0 | 16,430 | 15,391 | 1,039 | 6.3 |
| Rogers | 34,757 | 33,646 | 1,111 | 3.2 | 34,992 | 34,084 | 908 | 2.6 | 34,292 | 33,276 | 1,016 | 3.0 |
| Russellville | 13,280 | 12,641 | 639 | 4.8 | 13,387 | 12,898 | 489 | 3.7 | 13,217 | 12,634 | 583 | 4.4 |
| Searcy | 10,169 | 9,671 | 498 | 4.9 | 10,289 | 9,880 | 409 | 4.0 | 10,139 | 9,709 | 430 | 4.2 |
| Sherwood | 15,765 | 15,163 | 602 | 3.8 | 15,805 | 15,338 | 467 | 3.0 | 15,668 | 15,080 | 588 | 3.8 |
| Springdale | 38,317 | 37,201 | 1,116 | 2.9 | 38,650 | 37,685 | 965 | 2.5 | 37,935 | 36,805 | 1,130 | 3.0 |
| Texarkana, AR | 13,531 | 12,741 | 790 | 5.8 | 13,591 | 12,921 | 670 | 4.9 | 13,341 | 12,662 | 679 | 5.1 |
| Van Buren | 10,245 | 9,842 | 403 | 3.9 | 10,333 | 9,972 | 361 | 3.5 | 10,278 | 9,872 | 406 | 4.0 |
| West Memphis | 10,541 | 9,955 | 586 | 5.6 | 10,627 | 10,159 | 468 | 4.4 | 10,361 | 9,780 | 581 | 5.6 |

## County Labor Force Statistics

**Civilian Labor Force Estimates**

**Not Seasonally Adjusted**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **County CLF** | | **January 2019**  **Emp Unemp** | | **Rate** | **CLF** | **December 2018**  **Emp Unemp** | | **Rate** | **CLF** | **January 2018 Emp Unemp** | | **Rate** |
| Arkansas | 8,958 | 8,562 | 396 | 4.4 | 9,086 | 8,776 | 310 | 3.4 | 8,841 | 8,443 | 398 | 4.5 |
| Ashley | 7,866 | 7,346 | 520 | 6.6 | 7,692 | 7,263 | 429 | 5.6 | 7,627 | 7,112 | 515 | 6.8 |
| Baxter | 16,256 | 15,394 | 862 | 5.3 | 16,555 | 15,839 | 716 | 4.3 | 16,125 | 15,305 | 820 | 5.1 |
| Benton | 132,573 | 128,096 | 4,477 | 3.4 | 133,505 | 129,763 | 3,742 | 2.8 | 131,117 | 126,688 | 4,429 | 3.4 |
| Boone | 15,771 | 15,144 | 627 | 4.0 | 15,658 | 15,135 | 523 | 3.3 | 15,694 | 14,997 | 697 | 4.4 |
| Bradley | 4,491 | 4,241 | 250 | 5.6 | 4,539 | 4,333 | 206 | 4.5 | 4,219 | 4,011 | 208 | 4.9 |
| Calhoun | 2,459 | 2,314 | 145 | 5.9 | 2,406 | 2,318 | 88 | 3.7 | 2,354 | 2,244 | 110 | 4.7 |
| Carroll | 12,098 | 11,449 | 649 | 5.4 | 12,426 | 12,010 | 416 | 3.3 | 12,178 | 11,567 | 611 | 5.0 |
| Chicot | 3,274 | 2,985 | 289 | 8.8 | 3,293 | 3,062 | 231 | 7.0 | 3,368 | 3,074 | 294 | 8.7 |
| Clark | 9,599 | 9,166 | 433 | 4.5 | 9,877 | 9,539 | 338 | 3.4 | 9,294 | 8,889 | 405 | 4.4 |
| Clay | 5,675 | 5,285 | 390 | 6.9 | 5,817 | 5,534 | 283 | 4.9 | 5,764 | 5,439 | 325 | 5.6 |
| Cleburne | 8,902 | 8,373 | 529 | 5.9 | 9,099 | 8,693 | 406 | 4.5 | 8,971 | 8,439 | 532 | 5.9 |
| Cleveland | 3,253 | 3,087 | 166 | 5.1 | 3,292 | 3,166 | 126 | 3.8 | 3,230 | 3,089 | 141 | 4.4 |
| Columbia | 9,050 | 8,573 | 477 | 5.3 | 8,899 | 8,501 | 398 | 4.5 | 9,008 | 8,521 | 487 | 5.4 |
| Conway | 8,066 | 7,634 | 432 | 5.4 | 8,183 | 7,831 | 352 | 4.3 | 8,086 | 7,674 | 412 | 5.1 |
| Craighead | 53,447 | 51,531 | 1,916 | 3.6 | 53,876 | 52,289 | 1,587 | 2.9 | 53,034 | 51,141 | 1,893 | 3.6 |
| Crawford | 26,441 | 25,347 | 1,094 | 4.1 | 26,607 | 25,680 | 927 | 3.5 | 26,514 | 25,424 | 1,090 | 4.1 |
| Crittenden | 21,358 | 20,295 | 1,063 | 5.0 | 21,566 | 20,711 | 855 | 4.0 | 20,963 | 19,938 | 1,025 | 4.9 |
| Cross | 7,230 | 6,828 | 402 | 5.6 | 7,385 | 7,042 | 343 | 4.6 | 7,428 | 7,045 | 383 | 5.2 |
| Dallas | 2,852 | 2,686 | 166 | 5.8 | 2,853 | 2,741 | 112 | 3.9 | 2,807 | 2,664 | 143 | 5.1 |
| Desha | 5,337 | 5,039 | 298 | 5.6 | 5,473 | 5,225 | 248 | 4.5 | 5,351 | 5,052 | 299 | 5.6 |
| Drew | 7,867 | 7,365 | 502 | 6.4 | 7,977 | 7,581 | 396 | 5.0 | 7,658 | 7,192 | 466 | 6.1 |
| Faulkner | 60,695 | 58,368 | 2,327 | 3.8 | 61,049 | 59,095 | 1,954 | 3.2 | 60,340 | 58,053 | 2,287 | 3.8 |
| Franklin | 7,291 | 6,991 | 300 | 4.1 | 7,355 | 7,111 | 244 | 3.3 | 7,319 | 7,026 | 293 | 4.0 |
| Fulton | 4,864 | 4,596 | 268 | 5.5 | 4,772 | 4,567 | 205 | 4.3 | 4,718 | 4,474 | 244 | 5.2 |
| Garland | 40,640 | 38,696 | 1,944 | 4.8 | 40,005 | 38,413 | 1,592 | 4.0 | 40,106 | 38,236 | 1,870 | 4.7 |
| Grant | 8,243 | 7,916 | 327 | 4.0 | 8,288 | 8,032 | 256 | 3.1 | 8,146 | 7,855 | 291 | 3.6 |
| Greene | 19,713 | 18,863 | 850 | 4.3 | 19,509 | 18,821 | 688 | 3.5 | 19,467 | 18,643 | 824 | 4.2 |
| Hempstead | 9,859 | 9,400 | 459 | 4.7 | 9,961 | 9,586 | 375 | 3.8 | 9,757 | 9,377 | 380 | 3.9 |
| Hot Spring | 13,879 | 13,278 | 601 | 4.3 | 13,909 | 13,419 | 490 | 3.5 | 13,812 | 13,222 | 590 | 4.3 |
| Howard | 5,834 | 5,599 | 235 | 4.0 | 5,832 | 5,625 | 207 | 3.5 | 5,913 | 5,708 | 205 | 3.5 |
| Independence | 16,359 | 15,579 | 780 | 4.8 | 16,306 | 15,660 | 646 | 4.0 | 16,032 | 15,266 | 766 | 4.8 |
| Izard | 4,933 | 4,573 | 360 | 7.3 | 4,898 | 4,607 | 291 | 5.9 | 4,738 | 4,410 | 328 | 6.9 |
| Jackson | 5,748 | 5,289 | 459 | 8.0 | 5,829 | 5,438 | 391 | 6.7 | 5,713 | 5,281 | 432 | 7.6 |
| Jefferson | 27,713 | 25,909 | 1,804 | 6.5 | 27,903 | 26,402 | 1,501 | 5.4 | 27,585 | 25,994 | 1,591 | 5.8 |
| Johnson | 10,397 | 9,824 | 573 | 5.5 | 10,499 | 10,055 | 444 | 4.2 | 10,517 | 9,953 | 564 | 5.4 |
| Lafayette | 2,497 | 2,353 | 144 | 5.8 | 2,526 | 2,397 | 129 | 5.1 | 2,491 | 2,342 | 149 | 6.0 |
| Lawrence | 6,885 | 6,543 | 342 | 5.0 | 6,923 | 6,647 | 276 | 4.0 | 6,830 | 6,496 | 334 | 4.9 |
| Lee | 2,864 | 2,693 | 171 | 6.0 | 2,904 | 2,778 | 126 | 4.3 | 2,867 | 2,695 | 172 | 6.0 |
| Lincoln | 3,965 | 3,760 | 205 | 5.2 | 4,026 | 3,862 | 164 | 4.1 | 3,961 | 3,763 | 198 | 5.0 |
| Little River | 5,457 | 5,136 | 321 | 5.9 | 5,483 | 5,206 | 277 | 5.1 | 5,383 | 5,095 | 288 | 5.4 |
| Logan | 8,642 | 8,210 | 432 | 5.0 | 8,725 | 8,379 | 346 | 4.0 | 8,646 | 8,257 | 389 | 4.5 |
| Lonoke | 33,412 | 32,151 | 1,261 | 3.8 | 33,669 | 32,631 | 1,038 | 3.1 | 33,176 | 31,932 | 1,244 | 3.7 |
| Madison | 7,300 | 7,056 | 244 | 3.3 | 7,417 | 7,217 | 200 | 2.7 | 7,220 | 6,963 | 257 | 3.6 |
| Marion | 6,347 | 6,002 | 345 | 5.4 | 6,437 | 6,155 | 282 | 4.4 | 6,422 | 6,094 | 328 | 5.1 |
| Miller | 19,600 | 18,531 | 1,069 | 5.5 | 19,671 | 18,793 | 878 | 4.5 | 19,382 | 18,415 | 967 | 5.0 |

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## County Labor Force Statistics

**Civilian Labor Force Estimates**

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**Not Seasonally Adjusted**

**County**

**January 2019**

**CLF Emp Unemp Rate**

**December 2018**

**CLF Emp Unemp Rate**

**January 2018**

**CLF Emp Unemp Rate**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Mississippi | 16,952 | 15,946 | 1,006 | 5.9 | 17,479 | 16,622 | 857 | 4.9 | 17,155 | 16,087 | 1,068 | 6.2 |
| Monroe | 2,743 | 2,604 | 139 | 5.1 | 2,686 | 2,571 | 115 | 4.3 | 2,737 | 2,596 | 141 | 5.2 |
| Montgomery | 2,951 | 2,764 | 187 | 6.3 | 3,006 | 2,863 | 143 | 4.8 | 2,919 | 2,740 | 179 | 6.1 |
| Nevada | 3,580 | 3,430 | 150 | 4.2 | 3,605 | 3,487 | 118 | 3.3 | 3,566 | 3,431 | 135 | 3.8 |
| Newton | 3,319 | 3,157 | 162 | 4.9 | 3,300 | 3,175 | 125 | 3.8 | 3,278 | 3,129 | 149 | 4.5 |
| Ouachita | 10,022 | 9,355 | 667 | 6.7 | 9,721 | 9,285 | 436 | 4.5 | 9,585 | 9,085 | 500 | 5.2 |
| Perry | 4,219 | 3,991 | 228 | 5.4 | 4,243 | 4,054 | 189 | 4.5 | 4,176 | 3,968 | 208 | 5.0 |
| Phillips | 6,573 | 6,102 | 471 | 7.2 | 6,547 | 6,179 | 368 | 5.6 | 6,646 | 6,143 | 503 | 7.6 |
| Pike | 4,264 | 4,051 | 213 | 5.0 | 4,241 | 4,078 | 163 | 3.8 | 4,155 | 3,937 | 218 | 5.2 |
| Poinsett | 10,135 | 9,684 | 451 | 4.4 | 10,246 | 9,886 | 360 | 3.5 | 10,080 | 9,587 | 493 | 4.9 |
| Polk | 7,987 | 7,567 | 420 | 5.3 | 7,983 | 7,658 | 325 | 4.1 | 7,943 | 7,543 | 400 | 5.0 |
| Pope | 28,704 | 27,124 | 1,580 | 5.5 | 28,943 | 27,676 | 1,267 | 4.4 | 28,637 | 27,109 | 1,528 | 5.3 |
| Prairie | 3,539 | 3,335 | 204 | 5.8 | 3,575 | 3,424 | 151 | 4.2 | 3,533 | 3,366 | 167 | 4.7 |
| Pulaski | 186,927 | 179,341 | 7,586 | 4.1 | 187,807 | 181,407 | 6,400 | 3.4 | 185,615 | 178,362 | 7,253 | 3.9 |
| Randolph | 7,210 | 6,862 | 348 | 4.8 | 7,240 | 6,958 | 282 | 3.9 | 7,011 | 6,631 | 380 | 5.4 |
| St. Francis | 8,256 | 7,716 | 540 | 6.5 | 8,262 | 7,821 | 441 | 5.3 | 8,235 | 7,714 | 521 | 6.3 |
| Saline | 56,993 | 54,915 | 2,078 | 3.6 | 57,254 | 55,552 | 1,702 | 3.0 | 56,597 | 54,623 | 1,974 | 3.5 |
| Scott | 4,421 | 4,225 | 196 | 4.4 | 4,407 | 4,253 | 154 | 3.5 | 4,314 | 4,133 | 181 | 4.2 |
| Searcy | 2,831 | 2,680 | 151 | 5.3 | 2,895 | 2,772 | 123 | 4.2 | 2,809 | 2,643 | 166 | 5.9 |
| Sebastian | 56,116 | 53,869 | 2,247 | 4.0 | 56,419 | 54,500 | 1,919 | 3.4 | 56,421 | 54,085 | 2,336 | 4.1 |
| Sevier | 5,589 | 5,265 | 324 | 5.8 | 5,548 | 5,292 | 256 | 4.6 | 5,454 | 5,158 | 296 | 5.4 |
| Sharp | 5,761 | 5,386 | 375 | 6.5 | 5,760 | 5,484 | 276 | 4.8 | 5,708 | 5,385 | 323 | 5.7 |
| Stone | 4,732 | 4,408 | 324 | 6.8 | 4,799 | 4,557 | 242 | 5.0 | 4,607 | 4,331 | 276 | 6.0 |
| Union | 15,840 | 14,893 | 947 | 6.0 | 15,806 | 15,020 | 786 | 5.0 | 15,891 | 14,913 | 978 | 6.2 |
| Van Buren | 5,849 | 5,461 | 388 | 6.6 | 5,844 | 5,533 | 311 | 5.3 | 5,925 | 5,548 | 377 | 6.4 |
| Washington | 120,789 | 117,128 | 3,661 | 3.0 | 121,709 | 118,655 | 3,054 | 2.5 | 119,275 | 115,884 | 3,391 | 2.8 |
| White | 33,577 | 31,640 | 1,937 | 5.8 | 33,839 | 32,323 | 1,516 | 4.5 | 33,550 | 31,763 | 1,787 | 5.3 |
| Woodruff | 2,818 | 2,631 | 187 | 6.6 | 2,852 | 2,698 | 154 | 5.4 | 2,819 | 2,661 | 158 | 5.6 |
| Yell | 8,427 | 7,964 | 463 | 5.5 | 8,530 | 8,181 | 349 | 4.1 | 8,352 | 7,934 | 418 | 5.0 |

# County Labor Force Summary

Between December 2018 and January 2019, unemployment rates increased in all 75 Arkansas counties. Jobless rate ranged from a low of 3.0 percent in Washington County to a high of 8.8 percent in Chicot County.

In January, eleven counties posted unemployment rates at or below four percent. That is down from 34 counties at or below four percent last month. Four counties reported jobless rate at or above seven percent, compared to no counties above seven percent in December.

Compared to January 2018, unemployment rates are up in 51 Arkansas counties. Rates in fifteen

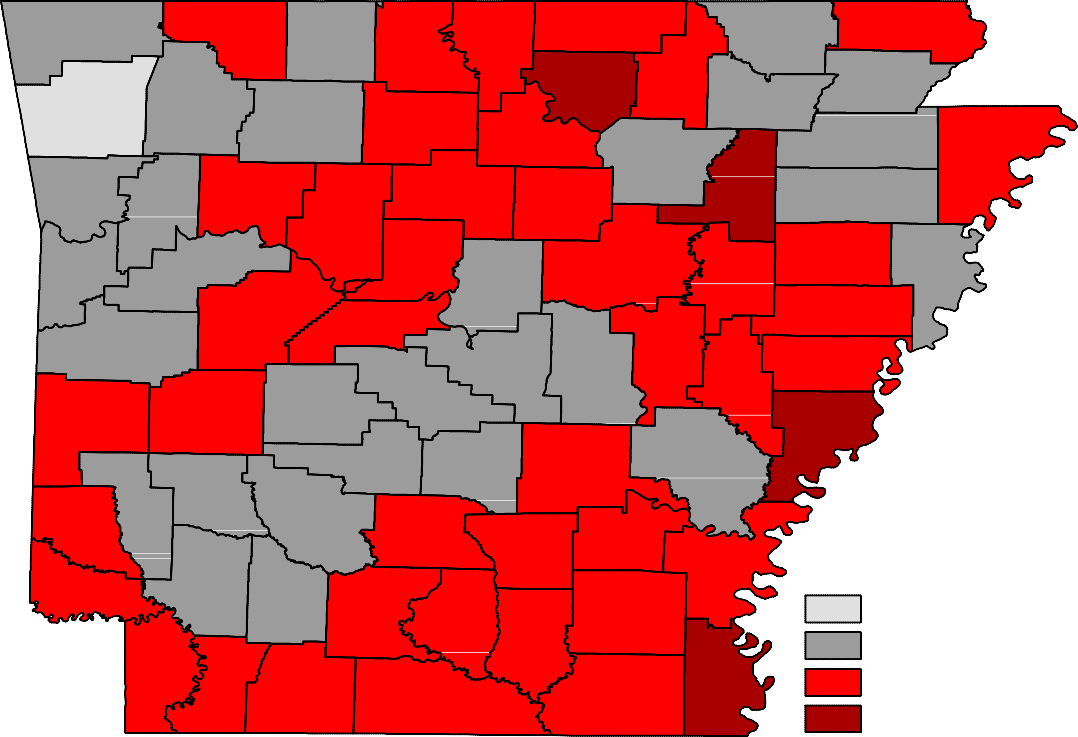
counties were lower compared to last year, while nine counties were the same.

## County Unemployment Rates



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**Benton**

**Carroll**

**Fulton**

**Clay**

**Boone**

**Randolph**

**Marion**

**Baxter**

**Sharp**

**Izard**

**Greene**

**Madison**

**Washington**

**Lawrence**

**Newton**

**Searcy**

**Stone**

**Independence**

**Craighead**

**Mississippi**

**Crawford**

**Johnson**

**Van Buren**

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**Grant**

**Jefferson**

**Arkansas**

**Pike**

**Sevier**

**Clark**

**Dallas**

**Lincoln**

**Cleveland**

**Desha**

**Little River Hempstead**

**Nevada**

**Ouachita**

**Calhoun**

**Drew**

**Bradley**

**Miller**

**fayette Columbia**

**Chicot**

**Union**

**Ashley**

**Unemployment Rates**

< or = 3.0% 3.1% - 5.0%

5.1% - 7.0%

> 7.0%

**Ranked by Unemployment Rates**

**January 2019 (Not Seasonally Adjusted)**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Rank**  1 | **County**  Washington | **Rate**  3.0 | **Rank**  26 | **County**  Newton | **Rate**  4.9 | **Rank**  50 | **County**  Lafayette | **Rate**  5.8 |
| 2 | Madison | 3.3 | 27 | Crittenden | 5.0 | 50 | Prairie | 5.8 |
| 3 | Benton | 3.4 | 27 | Lawrence | 5.0 | 50 | Sevier | 5.8 |
| 4 | Craighead | 3.6 | 27 | Logan | 5.0 | 50 | White | 5.8 |
| 4 | Saline | 3.6 | 27 | Pike | 5.0 | 55 | Calhoun | 5.9 |
| 6 | Faulkner | 3.8 | 31 | Cleveland | 5.1 | 55 | Cleburne | 5.9 |
| 6 | Lonoke | 3.8 | 31 | Monroe | 5.1 | 55 | Little River | 5.9 |
| 8 | Boone | 4.0 | 33 | Lincoln | 5.2 | 55 | Mississippi | 5.9 |
| 8 | Grant | 4.0 | 34 | Baxter | 5.3 | 59 | Lee | 6.0 |
| 8 | Howard | 4.0 | 34 | Columbia | 5.3 | 59 | Union | 6.0 |
| 8 | Sebastian | 4.0 | 34 | Polk | 5.3 | 61 | Montgomery | 6.3 |
| 12 | Crawford | 4.1 | 34 | Searcy | 5.3 | 62 | Drew | 6.4 |
| 12 | Franklin | 4.1 | 38 | Carroll | 5.4 | 63 | Jefferson | 6.5 |
| 12 | Pulaski | 4.1 | 38 | Conway | 5.4 | 63 | St. Francis | 6.5 |
| 15 | Nevada | 4.2 | 38 | Marion | 5.4 | 63 | Sharp | 6.5 |
| 16 | Greene | 4.3 | 38 | Perry | 5.4 | 66 | Ashley | 6.6 |
| 16 | Hot Spring | 4.3 | 42 | Fulton | 5.5 | 66 | Van Buren | 6.6 |
| 18 | Arkansas | 4.4 | 42 | Johnson | 5.5 | 66 | Woodruff | 6.6 |
| 18 | Poinsett | 4.4 | 42 | Miller | 5.5 | 69 | Ouachita | 6.7 |
| 18 | Scott | 4.4 | 42 | Pope | 5.5 | 70 | Stone | 6.8 |
| 21 | Clark | 4.5 | 42 | Yell | 5.5 | 71 | Clay | 6.9 |
| 22 | Hempstead | 4.7 | 47 | Bradley | 5.6 | 72 | Phillips | 7.2 |
| 23 | Garland | 4.8 | 47 | Cross | 5.6 | 73 | Izard | 7.3 |
| 23 | Independence | 4.8 | 47 | Desha | 5.6 | 74 | Jackson | 8.0 |
| 23 | Randolph | 4.8 | 50 | Dallas | 5.8 | 75 | Chicot | 8.8 |

## Local Workforce Development Areas

**Civilian Labor Force Estimates**

**Not Seasonally Adjusted**

**LWDA**

**January 2019**

**CLF Emp Unemp Rate**

**December 2018**

**CLF Emp Unemp Rate**

**January 2018**

**CLF Emp Unemp Rate**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Central (minus LR) | 248,113 | 238,357 | 9,756 | 3.9 | 249,334 | 241,259 | 8,075 | 3.2 | 246,535 | 237,080 | 9,455 | 3.8 |
| City of Little Rock | 96,196 | 92,357 | 3,839 | 4.0 | 96,706 | 93,421 | 3,285 | 3.4 | 95,463 | 91,852 | 3,611 | 3.8 |
| Eastern | 46,281 | 43,634 | 2,647 | 5.7 | 46,664 | 44,531 | 2,133 | 4.6 | 46,139 | 43,535 | 2,604 | 5.6 |
| North Central | 93,543 | 87,936 | 5,607 | 6.0 | 93,998 | 89,560 | 4,438 | 4.7 | 92,781 | 87,558 | 5,223 | 5.6 |
| Northeast | 120,017 | 114,714 | 5,303 | 4.4 | 121,090 | 116,757 | 4,333 | 3.6 | 119,341 | 114,024 | 5,317 | 4.5 |
| Northwest | 317,284 | 306,106 | 11,178 | 3.5 | 319,902 | 310,721 | 9,181 | 2.9 | 314,118 | 303,270 | 10,848 | 3.5 |
| Southeast | 80,967 | 76,210 | 4,757 | 5.9 | 81,569 | 77,702 | 3,867 | 4.7 | 79,986 | 75,585 | 4,401 | 5.5 |
| Southwest | 92,639 | 87,535 | 5,104 | 5.5 | 92,311 | 88,251 | 4,060 | 4.4 | 91,591 | 86,953 | 4,638 | 5.1 |
| West Central | 131,146 | 124,492 | 6,654 | 5.1 | 131,436 | 126,109 | 5,327 | 4.1 | 130,054 | 123,662 | 6,392 | 4.9 |
| Western | 110,898 | 106,209 | 4,689 | 4.2 | 111,496 | 107,581 | 3,915 | 3.5 | 111,157 | 106,468 | 4,689 | 4.2 |



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Northeast Northwest Southeast

Southwest West Central Western



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