

Employment Indicators in Selected States
Seasonally Adjusted, September 2004

(Numbers in thousands)

Labor force data	Arkansas			Louisiana			New Mexico		
	Sep. 2003	Aug. 2004	Sep. 2004p	Sep. 2003	Aug. 2004	Sep. 2004p	Sep. 2003	Aug. 2004	Sep. 2004p
Civilian labor force.....	1,263.6	1,321.3	1,326.7	2,041.0	2,033.0	2,059.9	900.8	910.9	911.1
Employed.....	1,180.4	1,250.4	1,253.5	1,909.1	1,932.1	1,951.2	841.2	861.7	862.5
Unemployed.....	83.2	70.9	73.3	131.9	100.9	108.7	59.5	49.2	48.6
Unemployment rate.....	6.6	5.4	5.5	6.5	5.0	5.3	6.6	5.4	5.3
Nonfarm wage and salary employment									
Total.....	1,144.8	1,155.9	1,155.6	1,900.0	1,909.3	1,903.0	776.3	793.1	795.1
Natural Resources & Mining.....	6.9	7.2	7.1	46.3	47.0	47.4	14.3	14.9	15.1
Construction.....	50.4	50.9	51.1	118.7	115.6	115.0	47.4	49.8	50.3
Manufacturing.....	204.2	203.8	203.3	154.5	153.7	154.7	36.1	35.6	35.4
Trade, Transportation, & Utilities..	239.9	241.0	242.1	378.4	383.3	381.4	135.6	138.2	138.4
Information (1)	20.2	20.2	20.1	28.8	28.8	28.7	15.8	14.4	14.2
Financial Activities.....	50.5	51.2	51.4	101.8	100.9	100.9	34.2	34.6	34.6
Professional & Business Services..	103.1	104.6	104.1	178.5	178.1	177.5	88.1	90.2	90.7
Education and Health Services.....	140.6	145.2	144.4	244.9	247.9	245.9	99.6	104.0	104.0
Leisure and Hospitality.....	88.4	92.0	90.6	198.4	199.3	199.9	81.2	83.9	82.9
Other Services (1).....	40.7	41.1	40.9	70.6	71.2	71.2	28.3	30.9	28.6
Government.....	199.9	198.7	200.5	379.1	383.5	380.4	195.3	198.3	200.3

Labor force data	Oklahoma			Texas		
	Sep. 2003	Aug. 2004	Sep. 2004p	Sep. 2003	Aug. 2004	Sep. 2004p
Civilian labor force.....	1,695.2	1,698.8	1,704.6	10,935.9	10,963.2	10,976.3
Employed.....	1,597.2	1,628.8	1,630.1	10,196.8	10,335.9	10,377.7
Unemployed.....	98.0	70.0	74.5	739.0	627.3	598.6
Unemployment rate.....	5.8	4.1	4.4	6.8	5.7	5.5
Nonfarm wage and salary employment						
Total.....	1,439.3	1,460.8	1,464.2	9,344.0	9,461.2	9,467.7
Natural Resources & Mining.....	29.2	30.8	31.7	147.9	149.3	149.2
Construction.....	62.5	63.9	63.5	547.7	552.2	553.7
Manufacturing.....	141.8 ²	141.5 ²	142.1 ²	892.1	885.5	883.9
Trade, Transportation, & Utilities..	275.6	277.0	277.5	1,923.8	1,954.0	1,952.7
Information (1).....	31.4	32.0	31.9	232.6	231.7	230.8
Financial Activities.....	83.7	84.4	84.4	587.7	589.3	589.8
Professional & Business Services..	154.9	159.2	158.5	1,038.5	1,063.1	1,068.2
Education and Health Services.....	173.4	177.8	177.7	1,122.4	1,157.8	1,159.1
Leisure and Hospitality.....	125.0	126.8	126.2	856.3	872.3	872.0
Other Services (1).....	72.9	74.2	73.6	357.3	361.5	358.6
Government.....	288.9	293.2	297.1	1,639.8	1,652.9	1,650.6

p = preliminary

(1) For the majority of states shown in this table, seasonally adjusted data are not produced for the sectors of Information and Other Services.

Therefore, only not seasonally adjusted data are presented here. Seasonally adjusted nonfarm employment in the Information sector in Louisiana and the Other Services sector in New Mexico is available upon request. See Technical Notes for further information.

(2) Oklahoma manufacturing employment is not seasonally adjusted.

NOTE: Numbers may not sum to totals due to rounding.

NOTICE: The Southwest totals previously shown in this table were discontinued in September 2004. The Southwest region presented here did not correspond to official Census regions or divisions. It was intended primarily for administrative use and will no longer be published.

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