



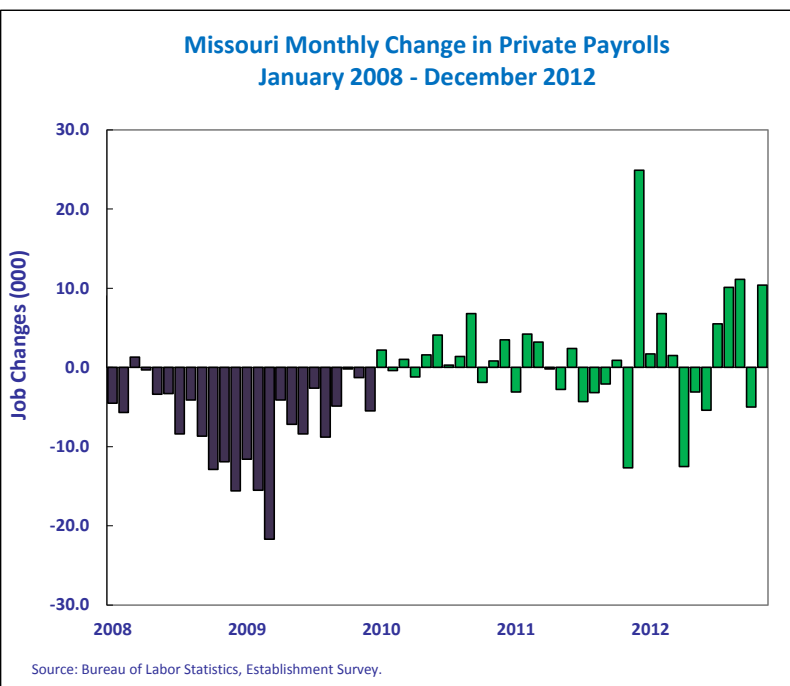
Economic Overview And Outlook: Missouri

JOBS

- Including December, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 34 consecutive months.
- In Missouri, private sector employment fell by 7.1 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 2.0 percent.
- In Missouri, employees in the mining, construction, and manufacturing sectors faced the largest job losses (as a percent of employment within an industry) over the recession. Since the beginning of 2010, the following sectors in Missouri have experienced the greatest employment increases: professional and business services; education and health services; and mining.*
- As the economy continues its emergence from the Great Recession, service-providing industries are projected to add the most jobs between 2010 and 2020. The largest gains over this period are expected to occur in the healthcare and social assistance, professional and business services, and retail trade sectors. Job gains in the goods-producing sector of the economy will be led by the construction and mining industries while the number of manufacturing jobs is expected to fall.

EMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Missouri was 6.7 percent in December 2012, up 1.4 percentage point from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 9.7 percent in August 2009.
- 201,000 residents were counted among the unemployed in Missouri during December 2012.
- In Missouri, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 33,793 during December, up 13.5 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 63,492 in October 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits have declined by 46.8 percent.



EARNINGS

- Between the start of the recession in the 4th quarter of 2007 and the 3rd quarter of 2009, inflation-adjusted total personal income in the United States declined 4.6 percent. Most recently, in the 3rd quarter of 2012, total personal income is 1.8 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.

- Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Missouri was \$33,537.00 in the 3rd quarter of 2012, up from \$32,852.00 in the 3rd quarter of 2010.

HOUSING

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 17.5 percent over 21 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2012 and the third quarter of 2012, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 1.2 percent.
- In Missouri, home prices fell by 9.8 percent over 13 quarters from their peak in the first quarter of 2008. Since the second quarter of 2011, home prices in Missouri have risen by 1.1 percent.
- As of the 3rd quarter of 2012, 1.8 percent of all mortgages, including 5.6 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Missouri.
- Housing starts in Missouri totaled 13,580 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in November 2012, a decrease of 31.5 percent from October.
- Within the Midwest census region, which includes Missouri, sales of new single-family homes totaled 49,000 units in November 2012, a decrease of 12.5 percent from October. Sales of existing single-family homes increased 6.7 percent to 1,110,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from October to November 2012.

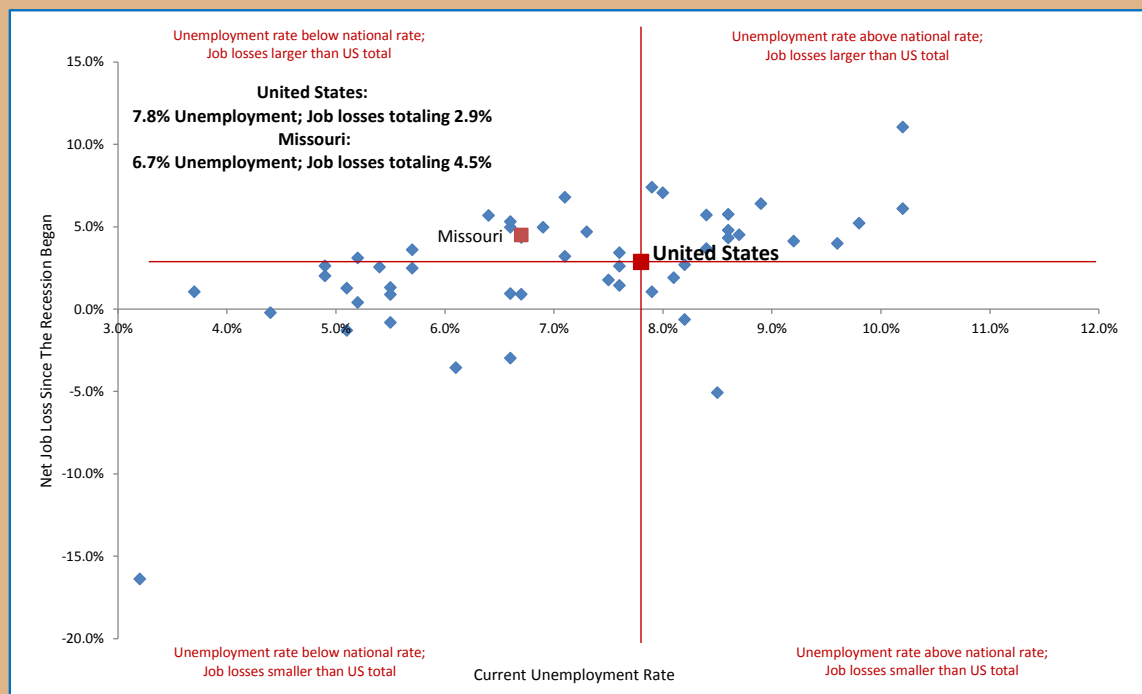
* For Missouri-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the Missouri office: <http://www.labor.mo.gov/>

How Does Missouri Compare To Other States?

Workers across the country were hard hit during the Great Recession. Although labor markets in many states have started recovering, employment in most states still remains below pre-recession levels. The chart below allows you to compare Missouri to other states using two metrics.

The current unemployment rate (measured along the horizontal axis) serves as a gauge of current labor market conditions faced by residents, while the proportion of jobs lost within Missouri since the start of the recession (shown along the vertical axis) measures the toll the recession took on the job supply in Missouri.

States falling in the upper right quadrant have lost a disproportionate share of jobs, relative to the total United States, and have unemployment rates higher than the national unemployment rate. States falling in the lower left quadrant are experiencing lower unemployment rates and smaller job losses than the national average.



STATE QUICK FACTS

		Missouri	United States
Unemployment Rates	December 2009	9.5%	9.9%
	December 2010	9.2%	9.3%
	December 2011	8.0%	8.5%
	December 2012	6.7%	7.8%
Percent of Population Who Are Veterans	2011	11.0%	9.4%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	7.2%	8.3%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2011	9.2%	12.1%
Median Household Income	2007	\$ 49,903	\$ 54,489
	(2011 \$)	2011	\$ 45,774
Poverty Rate	2007	22.6%	12.5%
	2011	17.4%	15.0%
No Health Insurance	2007	12.2%	14.7%
	2011	14.9%	15.7%