



STATE ECONOMIC SNAPSHOTs

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State Economic Snapshots

This monthly report provides a snapshot of the status of the economic recovery in each of the 50 states and the District of Columbia. This month's snapshots include state-level data on jobs, unemployment and earnings through November 2016.¹

Highlights

- Private-sector employment increased in 34 states in November.
- The unemployment rate fell in 32 states and the District of Columbia.
- Real gross domestic product (GDP) increased in 37 states and the District of Columbia over the year between the second quarter of 2015 and the second quarter of 2016.
- Home values appreciated in 49 states over the year between the third quarter of 2015 and the third quarter of 2016.
- Average hourly earnings, adjusted for inflation, increased in 28 states and the District of Columbia over the past year.

Private-Sector Job Gains

Private-sector employment increased in 34 states in November. The largest private-sector gains were in Florida (31,600), Texas (15,800), Indiana (13,300), California and South Carolina (11,200 each). On a percentage basis, the largest gains were in Nebraska, Maine, South Carolina, Idaho and New Mexico.

Over the past 12 months, 41 states and the District of Columbia gained private-sector jobs, with California (303,600), Florida (251,400), Texas (171,800), New York (101,100) and Georgia (88,500) recording the largest increases. The largest percentage gains in private-sector employment during this period were in Utah, Florida (3.5 percent each), Washington (3.2 percent), Oregon (3.0 percent) and Nevada (2.9 percent). Nationally, 2.0 million private-sector jobs were added in the past year, a 1.7 percent increase.

Unemployment

The unemployment rate declined in 32 states and the District of Columbia in November. The declines were statistically significant in 18 states. Connecticut, Massachusetts and Missouri had the largest declines (-0.4 percentage point each) that were significant.

Over the past 12 months, 33 states and the District of Columbia reported declines in the unemployment rate. Nine states had declines that were statistically significant, with the largest of these declines in Massachusetts (-2.0 percentage points), Nevada (-1.2 percentage points), South Carolina (-1.1 percentage points), Arizona and Mississippi (-0.9 percentage point). Two states had statistically significant increases.

New Hampshire and South Dakota (2.7 percent each) had the lowest unemployment rates in November, followed by North Dakota, Massachusetts (2.9 percent each) and Hawaii (3.0 percent). Alaska (6.8 percent)

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had the highest unemployment rate, followed by New Mexico (6.7 percent), Louisiana (6.2 percent), the District of Columbia and West Virginia (6.0 percent each). The national unemployment rate was 4.6 percent in November, down from 5.0 percent one year ago.

State Gross Domestic Product

Real gross domestic product (GDP) increased in 37 states and the District of Columbia over the year between the second quarter of 2015 and the second quarter of 2016, according to data from the Bureau of Economic Analysis. GDP increased fastest in Oregon (4.6 percent), followed by Washington (4.3 percent), Georgia (3.9 percent), Utah (3.4 percent) and New Hampshire (3.1 percent). Thirteen states reported declines in GDP over the year. Nationally, real GDP by state increased by 1.2 percent during this period.²

As seen in the **table on page 5**, over the past three years (between the second quarter of 2013 and the second quarter of 2016), real GDP increased in the District of Columbia and every state but Alaska, North Dakota, Wyoming and West Virginia. Alaska and Wyoming were also two of the four states (along with Connecticut and Louisiana) to record negative GDP growth since the second quarter of 2009, when the Great Recession officially ended at the national level.

Energy producing states which benefited directly from the natural gas boom have recorded the strongest GDP growth since the second quarter of 2009, as well as over the entire recession and recovery period (from the fourth quarter of 2007 to the second quarter of 2016). This is despite negative growth in the past year. North Dakota, Texas and Oklahoma rank 1st, 2nd and tied for 3rd, respectively, for fastest growth during the past seven years. The same states rank 1st, 2nd and 5th for average annual growth since the fourth quarter of 2007, the prerecession peak for GDP at the national level.

As the natural gas boom waned, the North Dakota and Oklahoma economies contracted over the past year, experiencing GDP declines of 8.4 percent and 2.7 percent, respectively, between the second quarter of 2015 and the second quarter of 2016. North Dakota's economy shrank at a faster rate than any other state over that period. Texas, which recorded average annual GDP growth of 3.8 percent over the past 7 years, saw its economy shrink by 0.2 percent over the last year, for a ranking of 40th in the country. Nebraska and Colorado, both energy-producing states that ranked amongst the top 10 fastest growing states over the past seven years, saw their growth rankings fall to 25th and 28th, respectively, over the past year.

Some states hit hard by the housing crash still have not returned to their prerecession GDP levels. While the state economies in Arizona and Nevada have strengthened recently (with real GDP growth ranking 17th and 22nd respectively, over the past year), average annual GDP growth since the fourth quarter of 2007 remains negative in both of these states. Connecticut and Wyoming are the only other states with negative GDP growth since the national prerecession peak. By contrast, California, which also was hit hard by the housing bust, has surpassed its prerecession GDP peak, ranking 14th for GDP growth in the past year, 1st in the past three years, 5th in the past 7 years and 12th since the national prerecession peak in the fourth quarter of 2007. Florida, another state that rode the housing bust down, has had the 4th fastest growth over the past three years and achieved average annual GDP growth of 0.2 percent since the national prerecession peak.

Home Prices

Home values appreciated in 49 states over the year between the third quarter of 2015 and the third quarter of 2016, according to the Federal Housing Finance Agency's purchase-only, seasonally adjusted index. Home prices increased the most in Florida (10.7 percent), Oregon, Washington (10.4 percent each),

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Colorado (10.0 percent), and Utah (9.5 percent). Home prices fell in Delaware and the District of Columbia. Nationally, home prices rose by 6.1 percent during this period.

Earnings

Average hourly earnings, adjusted for inflation, increased in 28 states and the District of Columbia over the past year. The largest earnings gains were posted in the District of Columbia (4.5 percent), Delaware (4.3 percent), Minnesota (4.2 percent), Oregon (3.4 percent), Rhode Island and Missouri (3.1 percent each). Earnings declined in 20 states and were unchanged in two. Nationally, real average hourly earnings increased by 0.1 percent (not seasonally adjusted) in the past year. The District of Columbia (\$39.72) had the highest average hourly earnings in November, followed by Massachusetts (\$31.97), Connecticut (\$30.56), Washington (\$30.52) and New York (\$29.29).

Key Employment Sectors

Manufacturing

Manufacturing employment expanded in 20 states during November. The largest increases were in California (6,300), Georgia (3,000), South Carolina (2,100), North Carolina (2,000) and Indiana (1,400). On a percentage basis, the largest gains were in New Mexico, Maryland, Idaho, South Carolina and Georgia.

Over the past 12 months, 21 states added manufacturing positions. On a percentage basis, the biggest gains were in Utah (3.7 percent), Montana (3.2 percent), Florida (3.1 percent), South Carolina (2.3 percent) and Idaho (1.9 percent). Across the country, 54,000 manufacturing positions have been lost in the last 12 months, a 0.4 percent decrease.

Construction

Construction employment increased in 29 states and the District of Columbia during November. The largest gains were reported in California (3,900), Ohio (3,600), Minnesota (3,400), Missouri (3,000) and Michigan (2,500). The largest percentage gains during the month were in Montana, West Virginia, Maine, Alaska and Minnesota.

In the past 12 months, 34 states added construction jobs. The greatest percentage gains over the past year were in Nevada (11.7 percent), Iowa (10.2 percent), Washington (9.4 percent), Oregon (8.4 percent) and Colorado (8.3 percent). Nationally, over this period, construction employment increased by 155,000 positions, a 2.4 percent increase.

Professional and Business Services

Professional and business services employment increased in 33 states during November. The largest increases were posted in Indiana (8,300), Georgia (8,200), New Jersey (7,100), Kentucky (5,700) and Pennsylvania (5,000). The largest percentage gains were in Kentucky, South Dakota, Indiana, Idaho and Arkansas.

In the past year, 41 states and the District of Columbia added jobs in professional and business services. The largest percentage gains were in Oregon (6.6 percent), Delaware (5.2 percent), South Carolina (4.9 percent), Georgia (4.8 percent) and North Carolina (4.3 percent). The U.S. economy overall has added 571,000 professional and business services jobs during this time, a 2.9 percent increase.

Unemployment Rate (November 2016)	
New Hampshire	2.7%
South Dakota	2.7%
Massachusetts	2.9%
North Dakota	2.9%
Hawaii	3.0%
Utah	3.1%
Colorado	3.2%
Vermont	3.2%
Nebraska	3.4%
Idaho	3.8%
Iowa	3.8%
Minnesota	3.8%
Arkansas	4.0%
Maine	4.0%
Montana	4.0%
Wisconsin	4.1%
Indiana	4.2%
Maryland	4.2%
Virginia	4.2%
Delaware	4.3%
Kansas	4.3%
South Carolina	4.4%
Texas	4.6%
UNITED STATES	4.6%
Connecticut	4.7%
Missouri	4.7%
Kentucky	4.8%
Tennessee	4.8%
Florida	4.9%
Michigan	4.9%
Ohio	4.9%
Wyoming	4.9%
Arizona	5.0%
New Jersey	5.0%
North Carolina	5.0%
Oregon	5.0%
New York	5.1%
Oklahoma	5.1%
Nevada	5.2%
California	5.3%
Georgia	5.3%
Rhode Island	5.3%
Washington	5.3%
Illinois	5.6%
Mississippi	5.7%
Pennsylvania	5.7%
Alabama	5.9%
District of Columbia	6.0%
West Virginia	6.0%
Louisiana	6.2%
New Mexico	6.7%
Alaska	6.8%
Puerto Rico	11.9%

Job Growth in America: Change in Private-Sector Jobs				
<i>**Data through November 2016**</i>	Since Before Recession (December 2007)		Under President Obama (January 2009)	
	Percentage	Net Jobs	Percentage	Net Jobs
UNITED STATES	5.9%	6,846,000	10.2%	11,409,000
Alabama	-2.5%	-40,400	3.2%	49,800
Alaska	7.1%	16,900	6.6%	15,600
Arizona	2.2%	49,200	10.2%	212,600
Arkansas	2.0%	20,200	4.8%	46,800
California	8.4%	1,093,700	13.9%	1,713,500
Colorado	11.2%	221,400	14.4%	276,400
Connecticut	-0.6%	-8,100	2.3%	33,000
Delaware	4.5%	17,100	9.1%	32,900
District of Columbia	15.4%	71,900	14.8%	69,500
Florida	8.3%	564,000	17.0%	1,070,600
Georgia	7.5%	261,000	13.5%	444,000
Hawaii	4.3%	21,700	10.4%	49,600
Idaho	7.3%	39,100	14.4%	72,700
Illinois	1.1%	55,900	5.0%	245,600
Indiana	3.9%	101,000	10.0%	241,500
Iowa	4.1%	51,800	6.2%	77,200
Kansas	0.9%	9,900	1.9%	20,900
Kentucky	3.7%	57,200	8.5%	125,100
Louisiana	4.9%	77,800	5.6%	88,200
Maine	-0.5%	-2,600	2.6%	12,800
Maryland	3.3%	70,700	6.6%	136,400
Massachusetts	8.3%	238,600	10.9%	307,100
Michigan	4.4%	157,800	13.8%	455,200
Minnesota	5.1%	120,300	8.0%	183,100
Mississippi	-2.3%	-21,200	2.5%	21,800
Missouri	2.0%	46,700	4.9%	113,000
Montana	4.7%	16,900	8.7%	30,000
Nebraska	5.8%	46,600	7.0%	55,800
Nevada	0.8%	9,500	10.1%	105,000
New Hampshire	5.3%	29,600	7.9%	43,100
New Jersey	1.1%	37,300	5.0%	165,100
New Mexico	-2.4%	-15,600	1.1%	6,700
New York	9.5%	689,700	11.3%	809,700
North Carolina	4.9%	169,300	10.9%	356,800
North Dakota	25.0%	71,700	23.6%	68,400
Ohio	2.2%	101,100	7.2%	316,400
Oklahoma	2.1%	27,000	3.1%	39,200
Oregon	7.0%	101,200	13.9%	188,700
Pennsylvania	2.7%	136,100	5.1%	250,600
Puerto Rico	-8.7%	-62,700	-4.6%	-31,800
Rhode Island	1.9%	8,100	6.6%	26,600
South Carolina	6.8%	108,600	13.4%	201,900
South Dakota	8.3%	27,700	8.5%	28,200
Tennessee	7.1%	168,800	12.9%	291,500
Texas	16.5%	1,448,800	17.2%	1,502,800
Utah	13.5%	142,700	19.3%	194,100
Vermont	1.3%	3,200	4.3%	10,700
Virginia	4.2%	129,500	7.1%	214,000
Washington	10.0%	247,000	13.5%	321,100
West Virginia	-1.7%	-10,300	-0.8%	-4,800
Wisconsin	2.3%	57,700	5.5%	131,600
Wyoming	-8.0%	-18,100	-7.6%	-17,200

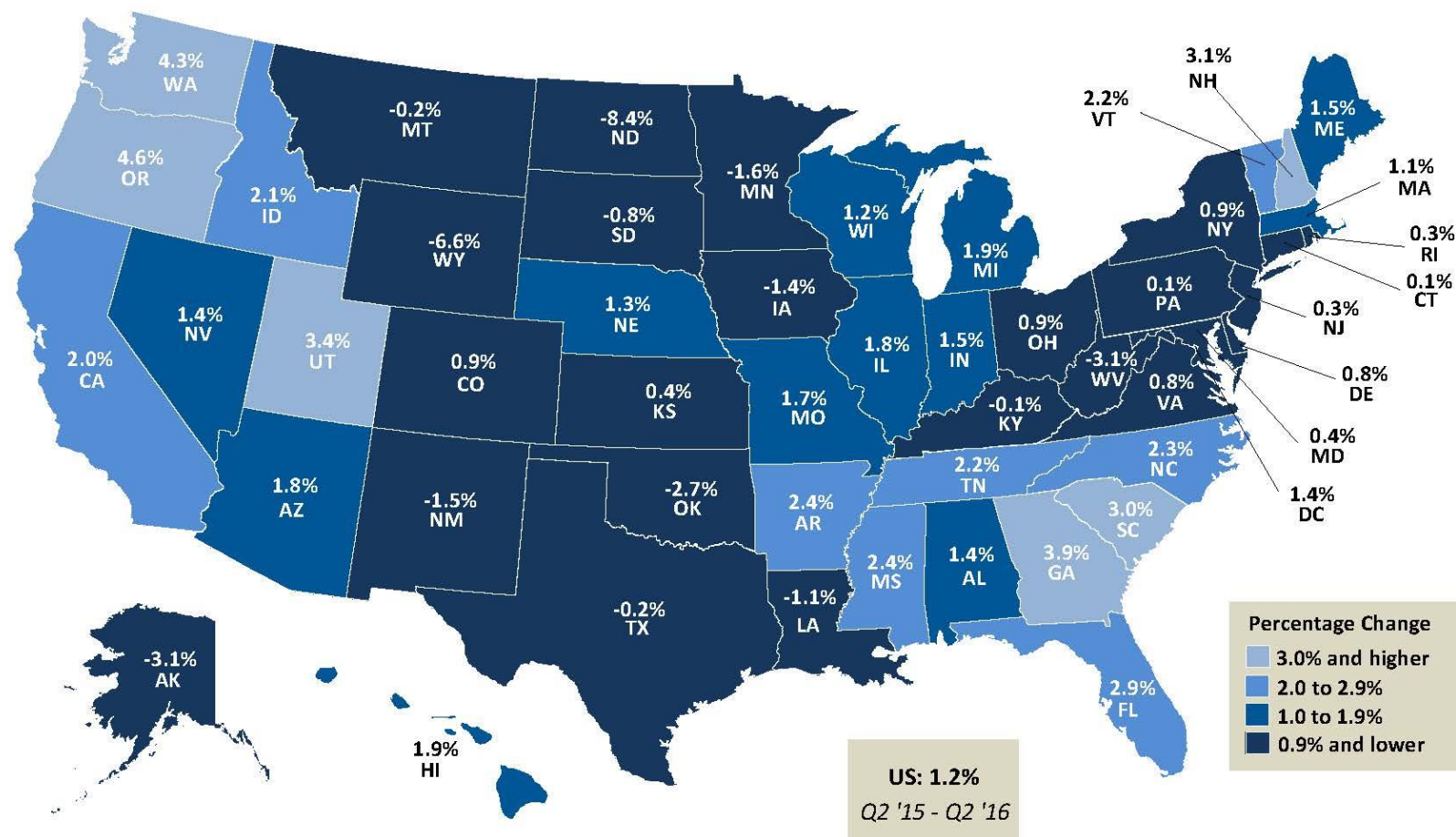
Real Gross Domestic Product (GDP) Growth by State								
	Past Year (Q2 2015 to Q2 2016)		Past 3 Years (Q2 2013 to Q2 2016)		Since National Low Point (Q2 2009 to Q2 2016)		Since National Prerecession Peak (Q4 2007 to Q2 2016)	
	% Change	Rank	Average Annual % Change	Rank	Average Annual % Change	Rank	Average Annual % Change	Rank
UNITED STATES	1.2%		2.1%		1.9%		1.0%	
Alabama	1.4%	22	0.8%	41	1.0%	37	0.3%	41
Alaska	-3.1%	48	-1.9%	51	-0.8%	50	0.7%	25
Arizona	1.8%	17	1.6%	22	1.4%	29	-0.3%	48
Arkansas	2.4%	8	1.4%	28	1.9%	15	0.6%	33
California	2.0%	14	3.6%	1	2.5%	5	1.3%	12
Colorado	0.9%	28	3.2%	7	2.4%	7	1.4%	8
Connecticut	0.1%	37	0.5%	46	-0.4%	49	-1.0%	50
Delaware	0.8%	31	3.2%	7	0.8%	41	0.9%	18
District of Columbia	1.4%	22	1.9%	16	1.4%	29	1.4%	8
Florida	2.9%	7	3.3%	4	1.8%	17	0.2%	43
Georgia	3.9%	3	3.0%	9	1.8%	17	0.6%	33
Hawaii	1.9%	15	1.5%	26	1.5%	26	0.7%	25
Idaho	2.1%	13	2.3%	11	1.6%	25	0.6%	33
Illinois	1.8%	17	1.6%	22	1.3%	33	0.4%	39
Indiana	1.5%	20	1.8%	19	2.3%	10	0.7%	25
Iowa	-1.4%	44	1.1%	32	1.7%	21	0.7%	25
Kansas	0.4%	33	1.1%	32	1.4%	29	0.7%	25
Kentucky	-0.1%	39	0.7%	44	1.5%	26	0.5%	37
Louisiana	-1.1%	43	0.5%	46	-0.2%	48	0.1%	45
Maine	1.5%	20	1.6%	22	0.5%	44	0.1%	45
Maryland	0.4%	33	1.1%	32	1.3%	33	1.1%	15
Massachusetts	1.1%	27	2.3%	11	1.9%	15	1.2%	13
Michigan	1.9%	15	1.9%	16	2.4%	7	0.4%	39
Minnesota	-1.6%	46	1.0%	38	1.7%	21	0.8%	21
Mississippi	2.4%	8	0.8%	41	0.4%	47	0.0%	47
Missouri	1.7%	19	1.3%	30	1.0%	37	0.6%	33
Montana	-0.2%	40	1.5%	26	1.8%	17	1.0%	17
Nebraska	1.3%	25	1.8%	19	2.4%	7	2.0%	3
Nevada	1.4%	22	1.9%	16	0.7%	43	-1.1%	51
New Hampshire	3.1%	5	2.0%	15	1.7%	21	0.8%	21
New Jersey	0.3%	35	1.2%	31	1.0%	37	0.2%	43
New Mexico	-1.5%	45	1.0%	38	0.5%	44	0.5%	37
New York	0.9%	28	1.1%	32	1.4%	29	1.4%	8
North Carolina	2.3%	10	2.1%	14	1.3%	33	0.8%	21
North Dakota	-8.4%	51	-1.6%	50	5.5%	1	5.5%	1
Ohio	0.9%	28	1.8%	19	2.1%	13	0.9%	18
Oklahoma	-2.7%	47	1.1%	32	2.6%	3	1.9%	5
Oregon	4.6%	1	3.5%	3	2.2%	11	1.9%	5
Pennsylvania	0.1%	37	1.4%	28	1.8%	17	1.1%	15
Rhode Island	0.3%	35	1.0%	38	0.8%	41	0.3%	41
South Carolina	3.0%	6	2.9%	10	2.0%	14	0.9%	18
South Dakota	-0.8%	42	0.7%	44	1.5%	26	2.0%	3
Tennessee	2.2%	11	2.3%	11	2.2%	11	1.2%	13
Texas	-0.2%	40	3.3%	4	3.8%	2	2.9%	2
Utah	3.4%	4	3.3%	4	2.6%	3	1.5%	7
Vermont	2.2%	11	0.8%	41	1.2%	36	0.7%	25
Virginia	0.8%	31	1.1%	32	1.0%	37	0.7%	25
Washington	4.3%	2	3.6%	1	2.5%	5	1.4%	8
West Virginia	-3.1%	48	0.0%	48	0.5%	44	0.7%	25
Wisconsin	1.2%	26	1.6%	22	1.7%	21	0.8%	21
Wyoming	-6.6%	50	-1.5%	49	-1.4%	51	-0.6%	49

Source: JEC Democratic staff calculations based on data from the Bureau of Economic Analysis

Notes: Includes data through Q2 2016; national GDP prerecession peak in Q4 2007 and low point in Q2 2009 do not necessarily correspond to the peaks and low points in each individual state; ranks are among the 50 states and the District of Columbia and are based on the average annual percentage change rounded to one decimal place; data are seasonally adjusted; due to methodological differences, total U.S. real GDP by state may differ slightly from national GDP figures

Real GDP by State: Percentage Change Over Past Year

Q2 2015 to Q2 2016 (Released December 7, 2016)



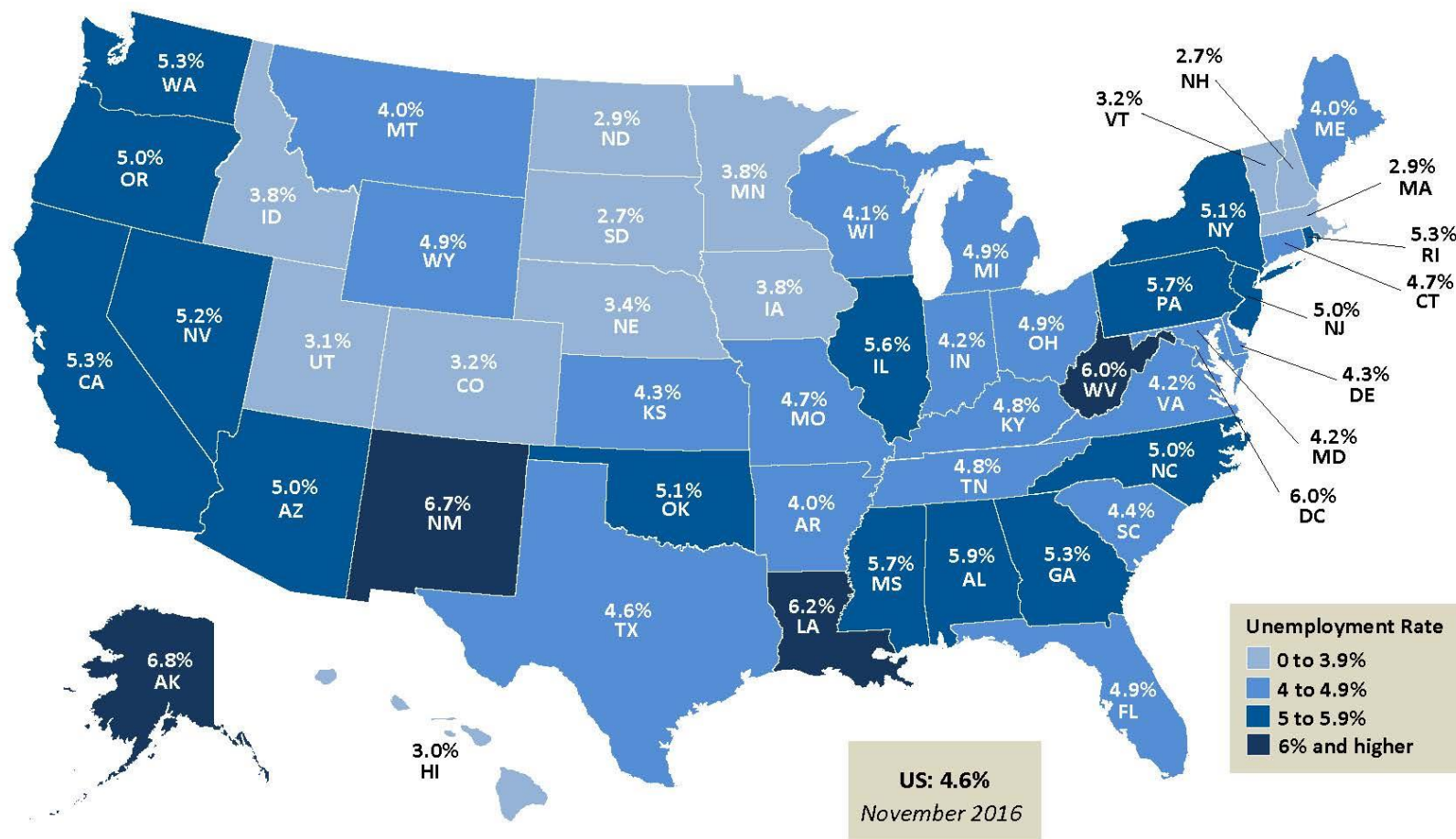
Source: JEC Democratic staff based on data from the Bureau of Economic Analysis (Q3 2016 data will be released Feb. 2, 2017)

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Current Unemployment Rates Across States

November 2016 (Released December 16th)



Source: JEC Democratic staff based on data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics (state data update next on January 24, 2017)



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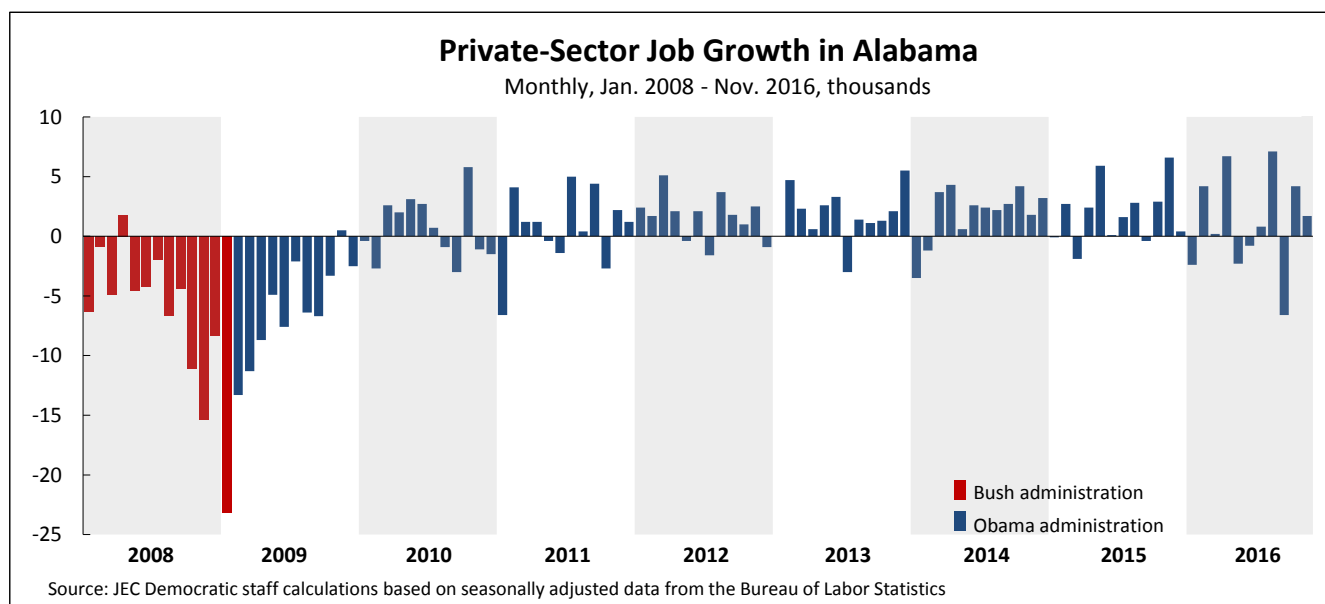
ECONOMIC SNAPSHOT: ALABAMA

Includes Bureau of Labor Statistics jobs, unemployment and earnings data through November 2016

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JOBS

- In November, private-sector employment in Alabama grew by 1,700 jobs. Over the past year, Alabama businesses have added 13,200 jobs. This compares with an increase of 25,800 jobs over the 12 months through November 2015.
- Since February 2010, the national low point for private-sector employment, Alabama businesses have added 119,200 jobs (an increase of 8.1 percent). Nationally, private payrolls have increased by 14.6 percent over this time.
- The state sectors with the greatest job gains in percentage terms since February 2010 are: leisure and hospitality at 14.6 percent (24,400 jobs), professional and business services at 12.9 percent (26,300 jobs) and education and health services at 9.0 percent (19,200 jobs).



UNEMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Alabama was 5.9 percent in November 2016, up 0.2 percentage point from October. The rate was 1.3 percentage points above the national rate of 4.6 percent.
- Unemployment is down 0.3 percentage point from one year earlier and is 6.0 percentage points below its recent peak of 11.9 percent in November 2009.
- There were 128,800 Alabama residents unemployed in November 2016.

EARNINGS

- In November 2016, average hourly earnings of private-sector workers in Alabama were \$22.04. The average workweek was 35.4 hours, and average weekly earnings were \$780.22.
- Adjusting for inflation, state average hourly earnings have risen by 1.7 percent over the past year. Nationally, real average hourly earnings have increased by 0.1 percent (not seasonally adjusted).

STATE QUICK FACTS

		Alabama	United States
Private-Sector Jobs Added	Past 12 Months	13,200	2.0 million
	Since Feb. 2010	119,200	15.6 million
Unemployment Rate	November 2016	5.9%	4.6%
	November 2015	6.2%	5.0%
	Recession-Era Peak	11.9%	10.0%
Median Household Income (2015 \$)*	2015	\$44,800	\$55,800
	2014	\$42,900	\$53,700
Poverty Rate*	2015	18.5%	14.7%
	2014	19.3%	15.5%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	3.1%	4.6%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	4.6%	5.8%
Percentage Without Health Insurance*	2015	10.1%	9.4%
	2013	13.6%	14.5%

STATE GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT

- Real gross domestic product (GDP) in Alabama grew by 1.4 percent over the four quarters through the second quarter of 2016, above the national average growth rate of 1.2 percent.**
- Since the official end of the Great Recession in the second quarter of 2009, Alabama GDP growth has averaged 1.0 percent at an annual rate, compared with a national average of 1.9 percent.

HOUSING

- Home prices in Alabama increased by 4.5 percent from the third quarter of 2015 to the third quarter of 2016. They are up 19.5 percent since their recent low in the second quarter of 2011.
- In October 2016, builders in Alabama broke ground on 14,330 new housing units (seasonally adjusted annual rate), bringing the average over the past 12 months to 14,759 units. That marks an increase of 12.1 percent from the average over the prior 12 months.

EXPORTS

- In Alabama, goods exports totaled \$1.8 billion in October and \$20.4 billion over the past year, up 9.0 percent from the 12 months ending in October 2015 (inflation-adjusted).
- Exports over the past 12 months are up 60.6 percent from their level in 2009 (inflation-adjusted).

* Income, poverty and health insurance data are from the American Community Survey (ACS), regarded as the best source for state-level data. National-level ACS data are included to facilitate comparisons and differ from the more commonly cited national data from the Current Population Survey (CPS).

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*** Changes in state-level data may not be statistically significant due to sampling variation. Individual monthly readings should be interpreted with caution and in the context of longer-term trends and other data that become available.

**** A list of sources used to compile the Alabama economic snapshot is available at: <http://bit.ly/JEC-state-by-state-sources>

***** For additional Alabama-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the Alabama office: <http://www2.dir.state.al.us/>



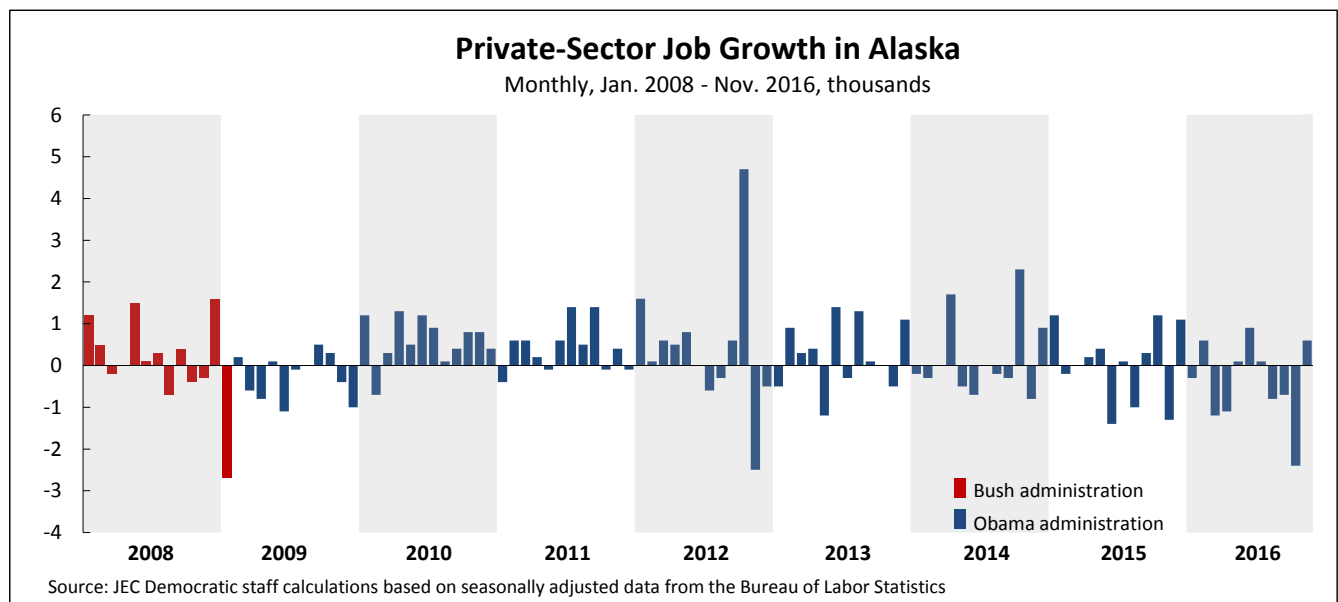
ECONOMIC SNAPSHOT: ALASKA

Includes Bureau of Labor Statistics jobs, unemployment and earnings data through November 2016

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JOBS

- In November, private-sector employment in Alaska grew by 600 jobs. Over the past year, Alaska businesses have shed 3,100 jobs. This compares with an increase of 400 jobs over the 12 months through November 2015.
- Since February 2010, the national low point for private-sector employment, Alaska businesses have added 18,000 jobs (an increase of 7.6 percent). Nationally, private payrolls have increased by 14.6 percent over this time.
- The state sectors with the greatest job gains in percentage terms since February 2010 are: education and health services at 22.3 percent (9,200 jobs), leisure and hospitality at 12.5 percent (3,900 jobs) and manufacturing at 11.0 percent (1,400 jobs).



UNEMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Alaska was 6.8 percent in November 2016, down 0.1 percentage point from October. The rate was 2.2 percentage points above the national rate of 4.6 percent.
- Unemployment is up 0.2 percentage point from one year earlier but remains 1.2 percentage points below its recent peak of 8.0 percent in April 2010.
- There were 24,400 Alaska residents unemployed in November 2016.

EARNINGS

- In November 2016, average hourly earnings of private-sector workers in Alaska were \$28.91. The average workweek was 34.1 hours, and average weekly earnings were \$985.83.
- Adjusting for inflation, state average hourly earnings have fallen by 0.7 percent over the past year. Nationally, real average hourly earnings have increased by 0.1 percent (not seasonally adjusted).

STATE QUICK FACTS

		Alaska	United States
Private-Sector Jobs Added	Past 12 Months	-3,100	2.0 million
	Since Feb. 2010	18,000	15.6 million
Unemployment Rate	November 2016	6.8%	4.6%
	November 2015	6.6%	5.0%
	Recession-Era Peak	8.0%	10.0%
Median Household Income (2015 \$)*	2015	\$73,400	\$55,800
	2014	\$71,700	\$53,700
Poverty Rate*	2015	10.3%	14.7%
	2014	11.2%	15.5%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	4.3%	4.6%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	3.9%	5.8%
Percentage Without Health Insurance*	2015	14.9%	9.4%
	2013	18.5%	14.5%

STATE GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT

- Real gross domestic product (GDP) in Alaska fell by 3.1 percent over the four quarters through the second quarter of 2016, below the national average growth rate of 1.2 percent.**
- Since the official end of the Great Recession in the second quarter of 2009, Alaska GDP growth has averaged -0.8 percent at an annual rate, compared with a national average of 1.9 percent.

HOUSING

- Home prices in Alaska increased by 1.5 percent from the third quarter of 2015 to the third quarter of 2016. They are up 16.8 percent since their recent low in the third quarter of 2009.
- In October 2016, builders in Alaska broke ground on 1,550 new housing units (seasonally adjusted annual rate), bringing the average over the past 12 months to 1,404 units. That marks an increase of 16.1 percent from the average over the prior 12 months.

EXPORTS

- In Alaska, goods exports totaled \$497 million in October and \$4.4 billion over the past year, down 5.2 percent from the 12 months ending in October 2015 (inflation-adjusted).
- Exports over the past 12 months are up 32.7 percent from their level in 2009 (inflation-adjusted).

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ECONOMIC SNAPSHOT: ARIZONA

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JOBS

- In November, private-sector employment in Arizona fell by 7,300 jobs. Over the past year, Arizona businesses have added 31,600 jobs. This compares with an increase of 84,600 jobs over the 12 months through November 2015.
- Since February 2010, the national low point for private-sector employment, Arizona businesses have added 334,900 jobs (an increase of 17.0 percent). Nationally, private payrolls have increased by 14.6 percent over this time.
- The state sectors with the greatest job gains in percentage terms since February 2010 are: information services at 29.2 percent (10,700 jobs), leisure and hospitality at 25.3 percent (63,500 jobs) and education and health services at 22.7 percent (77,100 jobs).



UNEMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Arizona was 5.0 percent in November 2016, down 0.2 percentage point from October. The rate was 0.4 percentage point above the national rate of 4.6 percent.
- Unemployment is down 0.9 percentage point from one year earlier and is 6.2 percentage points below its recent peak of 11.2 percent in December 2009.
- There were 161,800 Arizona residents unemployed in November 2016.

EARNINGS

- In November 2016, average hourly earnings of private-sector workers in Arizona were \$24.41. The average workweek was 34.1 hours, and average weekly earnings were \$832.38.
- Adjusting for inflation, state average hourly earnings have risen by 2.2 percent over the past year. Nationally, real average hourly earnings have increased by 0.1 percent (not seasonally adjusted).

STATE QUICK FACTS

		Arizona	United States
Private-Sector Jobs Added	Past 12 Months	31,600	2.0 million
	Since Feb. 2010	334,900	15.6 million
Unemployment Rate	November 2016	5.0%	4.6%
	November 2015	5.9%	5.0%
	Recession-Era Peak	11.2%	10.0%
Median Household Income (2015 \$)*	2015	\$51,500	\$55,800
	2014	\$50,100	\$53,700
Poverty Rate*	2015	17.4%	14.7%
	2014	18.2%	15.5%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	3.7%	4.6%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	4.0%	5.8%
Percentage Without Health Insurance*	2015	10.8%	9.4%
	2013	17.1%	14.5%

STATE GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT

- Real gross domestic product (GDP) in Arizona grew by 1.8 percent over the four quarters through the second quarter of 2016, above the national average growth rate of 1.2 percent.**
- Since the official end of the Great Recession in the second quarter of 2009, Arizona GDP growth has averaged 1.4 percent at an annual rate, compared with a national average of 1.9 percent.

HOUSING

- Home prices in Arizona increased by 6.7 percent from the third quarter of 2015 to the third quarter of 2016. They are up 67.7 percent since their recent low in the second quarter of 2011.
- In October 2016, builders in Arizona broke ground on 28,810 new housing units (seasonally adjusted annual rate), bringing the average over the past 12 months to 32,117 units. That marks an increase of 3.1 percent from the average over the prior 12 months.

EXPORTS

- In Arizona, goods exports totaled \$1.8 billion in October and \$21.9 billion over the past year, unchanged from the 12 months ending in October 2015 (inflation-adjusted).
- Exports over the past 12 months are up 52.0 percent from their level in 2009 (inflation-adjusted).

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***** For additional Arizona-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the Arizona office: <http://www.workforce.az.gov/>



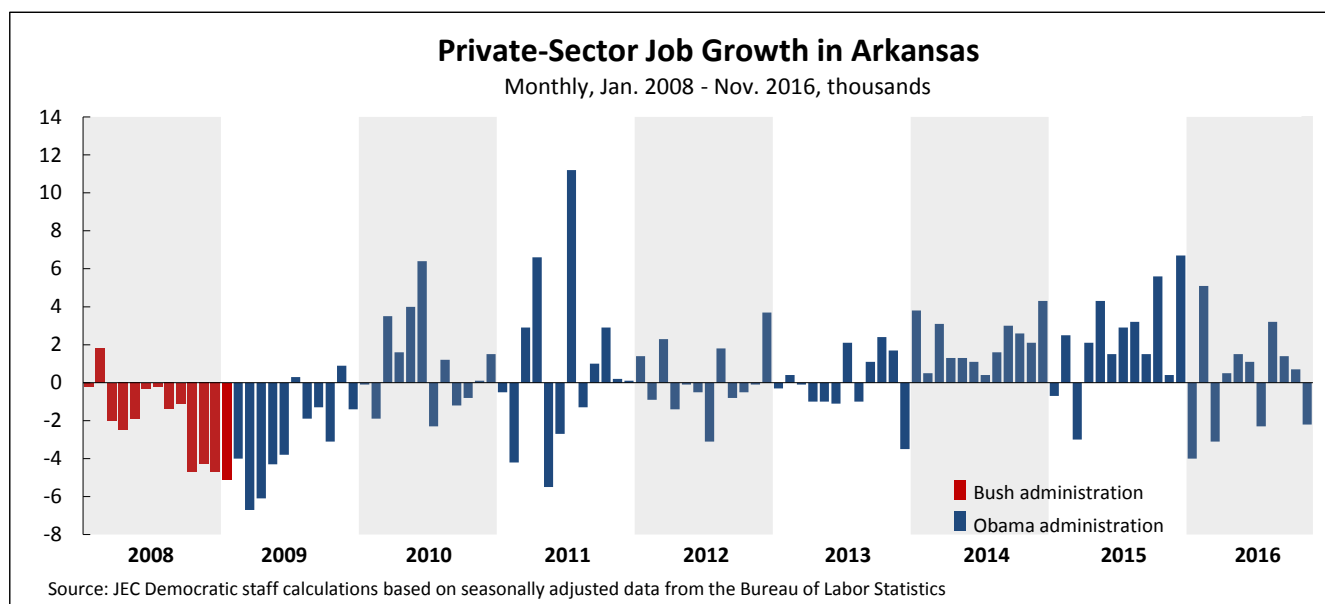
ECONOMIC SNAPSHOT: ARKANSAS

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JOBS

- In November, private-sector employment in Arkansas fell by 2,200 jobs. Over the past year, Arkansas businesses have added 8,600 jobs. This compares with an increase of 24,600 jobs over the 12 months through November 2015.
- Since February 2010, the national low point for private-sector employment, Arkansas businesses have added 80,200 jobs (an increase of 8.6 percent). Nationally, private payrolls have increased by 14.6 percent over this time.
- The state sectors with the greatest job gains in percentage terms since February 2010 are: professional and business services at 26.4 percent (30,700 jobs), leisure and hospitality at 17.7 percent (17,300 jobs) and education and health services at 11.2 percent (18,500 jobs).



UNEMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Arkansas was 4.0 percent in November 2016, holding constant from October. The rate was 0.6 percentage point below the national rate of 4.6 percent.
- Unemployment is down 0.8 percentage point from one year earlier and is 4.4 percentage points below its recent peak of 8.4 percent in May 2011.
- There were 53,500 Arkansas residents unemployed in November 2016.

EARNINGS

- In November 2016, average hourly earnings of private-sector workers in Arkansas were \$20.23. The average workweek was 34.3 hours, and average weekly earnings were \$693.89.
- Adjusting for inflation, state average hourly earnings have risen by 0.9 percent over the past year. Nationally, real average hourly earnings have increased by 0.1 percent (not seasonally adjusted).

STATE QUICK FACTS

		Arkansas	United States
Private-Sector Jobs Added	Past 12 Months	8,600	2.0 million
	Since Feb. 2010	80,200	15.6 million
Unemployment Rate	November 2016	4.0%	4.6%
	November 2015	4.8%	5.0%
	Recession-Era Peak	8.4%	10.0%
Median Household Income (2015 \$)*	2015	\$42,000	\$55,800
	2014	\$41,300	\$53,700
Poverty Rate*	2015	19.1%	14.7%
	2014	18.9%	15.5%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	4.7%	4.6%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	6.4%	5.8%
Percentage Without Health Insurance*	2015	9.5%	9.4%
	2013	16.0%	14.5%

STATE GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT

- Real gross domestic product (GDP) in Arkansas grew by 2.4 percent over the four quarters through the second quarter of 2016, above the national average growth rate of 1.2 percent.**
- Since the official end of the Great Recession in the second quarter of 2009, Arkansas GDP growth has averaged 1.9 percent at an annual rate, matching the national average growth rate.

HOUSING

- Home prices in Arkansas increased by 2.7 percent from the third quarter of 2015 to the third quarter of 2016. They are up 17.6 percent since their recent low in the second quarter of 2011.
- In October 2016, builders in Arkansas broke ground on 10,790 new housing units (seasonally adjusted annual rate), bringing the average over the past 12 months to 9,004 units. That marks an increase of 3.0 percent from the average over the prior 12 months.

EXPORTS

- In Arkansas, goods exports totaled \$412 million in October and \$5.5 billion over the past year, down 8.2 percent from the 12 months ending in October 2015 (inflation-adjusted).
- Exports over the past 12 months are up 1.5 percent from their level in 2009 (inflation-adjusted).

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ECONOMIC SNAPSHOT: CALIFORNIA

Includes Bureau of Labor Statistics jobs, unemployment and earnings data through November 2016

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JOBS

- In November, private-sector employment in California grew by 11,200 jobs. Over the past year, California businesses have added 303,600 jobs. This compares with an increase of 412,800 jobs over the 12 months through November 2015.
- Since February 2010, the national low point for private-sector employment, California businesses have added 2,306,100 jobs (an increase of 19.6 percent). Nationally, private payrolls have increased by 14.6 percent over this time.
- The state sectors with the greatest job gains in percentage terms since February 2010 are: construction at 37.6 percent (211,600 jobs), leisure and hospitality at 28.6 percent (424,800 jobs) and professional and business services at 27.0 percent (553,400 jobs).



UNEMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in California was 5.3 percent in November 2016, down 0.2 percentage point from October. The rate was 0.7 percentage point above the national rate of 4.6 percent.
- Unemployment is down 0.6 percentage point from one year earlier and is 6.9 percentage points below its recent peak of 12.2 percent in October 2010.
- There were 1,037,700 California residents unemployed in November 2016.

EARNINGS

- In November 2016, average hourly earnings of private-sector workers in California were \$29.26. The average workweek was 34.3 hours, and average weekly earnings were \$1,003.62.
- Adjusting for inflation, state average hourly earnings have risen by 1.5 percent over the past year. Nationally, real average hourly earnings have increased by 0.1 percent (not seasonally adjusted).

STATE QUICK FACTS

		California	United States
Private-Sector Jobs Added	Past 12 Months	303,600	2.0 million
	Since Feb. 2010	2.3 million	15.6 million
Unemployment Rate	November 2016	5.3%	4.6%
	November 2015	5.9%	5.0%
	Recession-Era Peak	12.2%	10.0%
Median Household Income (2015 \$)*	2015	\$64,500	\$55,800
	2014	\$62,000	\$53,700
Poverty Rate*	2015	15.3%	14.7%
	2014	16.4%	15.5%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	6.8%	4.6%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	10.6%	5.8%
Percentage Without Health Insurance*	2015	8.6%	9.4%
	2013	17.2%	14.5%

STATE GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT

- Real gross domestic product (GDP) in California grew by 2.0 percent over the four quarters through the second quarter of 2016, above the national average growth rate of 1.2 percent.**
- Since the official end of the Great Recession in the second quarter of 2009, California GDP growth has averaged 2.5 percent at an annual rate, compared with a national average of 1.9 percent.

HOUSING

- Home prices in California increased by 7.2 percent from the third quarter of 2015 to the third quarter of 2016. They are up 61.8 percent since their recent low in the third quarter of 2011.
- In October 2016, builders in California broke ground on 109,640 new housing units (seasonally adjusted annual rate), bringing the average over the past 12 months to 94,348 units. That marks a decrease of 1.5 percent from the average over the prior 12 months.

EXPORTS

- In California, goods exports totaled \$15.2 billion in October and \$162.1 billion over the past year, down 0.7 percent from the 12 months ending in October 2015 (inflation-adjusted).
- Exports over the past 12 months are up 31.2 percent from their level in 2009 (inflation-adjusted).

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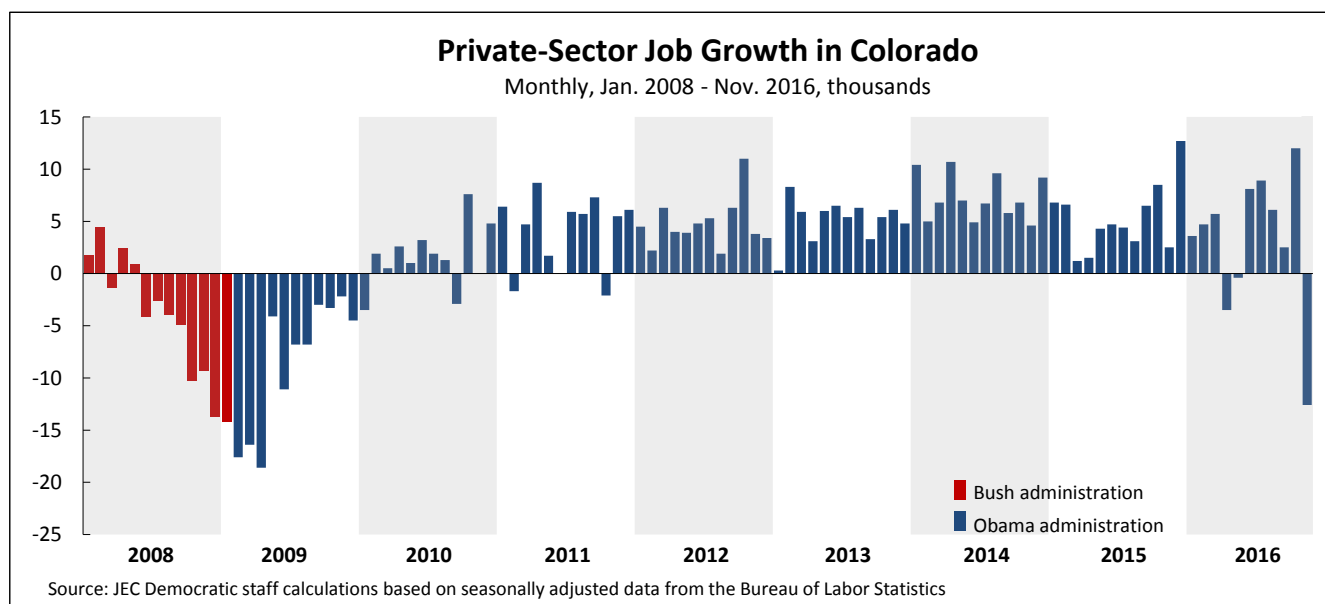
ECONOMIC SNAPSHOT: COLORADO

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JOBS

- In November, private-sector employment in Colorado fell by 12,600 jobs. Over the past year, Colorado businesses have added 47,800 jobs. This compares with an increase of 59,300 jobs over the 12 months through November 2015.
- Since February 2010, the national low point for private-sector employment, Colorado businesses have added 372,400 jobs (an increase of 20.5 percent). Nationally, private payrolls have increased by 14.6 percent over this time.
- The state sectors with the greatest job gains in percentage terms since February 2010 are: construction at 41.6 percent (49,100 jobs), education and health services at 27.3 percent (71,300 jobs) and leisure and hospitality at 26.4 percent (68,800 jobs).



UNEMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Colorado was 3.2 percent in November 2016, down 0.3 percentage point from October. The rate was 1.4 percentage points below the national rate of 4.6 percent.
- Unemployment is down 0.3 percentage point from one year earlier and is 5.7 percentage points below its recent peak of 8.9 percent in October 2010.
- There were 93,500 Colorado residents unemployed in November 2016.

EARNINGS

- In November 2016, average hourly earnings of private-sector workers in Colorado were \$27.03. The average workweek was 33.4 hours, and average weekly earnings were \$902.80.
- Adjusting for inflation, state average hourly earnings have fallen by 2.5 percent over the past year. Nationally, real average hourly earnings have increased by 0.1 percent (not seasonally adjusted).

STATE QUICK FACTS

		Colorado	United States
Private-Sector Jobs Added	Past 12 Months	47,800	2.0 million
	Since Feb. 2010	372,400	15.6 million
Unemployment Rate	November 2016	3.2%	4.6%
	November 2015	3.5%	5.0%
	Recession-Era Peak	8.9%	10.0%
Median Household Income (2015 \$)*	2015	\$63,900	\$55,800
	2014	\$61,400	\$53,700
Poverty Rate*	2015	11.5%	14.7%
	2014	12.0%	15.5%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	3.5%	4.6%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	2.0%	5.8%
Percentage Without Health Insurance*	2015	8.1%	9.4%
	2013	14.1%	14.5%

STATE GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT

- Real gross domestic product (GDP) in Colorado grew by 0.9 percent over the four quarters through the second quarter of 2016, below the national average growth rate of 1.2 percent.**
- Since the official end of the Great Recession in the second quarter of 2009, Colorado GDP growth has averaged 2.4 percent at an annual rate, compared with a national average of 1.9 percent.

HOUSING

- Home prices in Colorado increased by 10.0 percent from the third quarter of 2015 to the third quarter of 2016. They are up 57.1 percent since their recent low in the second quarter of 2011.
- In October 2016, builders in Colorado broke ground on 54,010 new housing units (seasonally adjusted annual rate), bringing the average over the past 12 months to 34,068 units. That marks an increase of 18.8 percent from the average over the prior 12 months.

EXPORTS

- In Colorado, goods exports totaled \$631 million in October and \$7.5 billion over the past year, down 4.3 percent from the 12 months ending in October 2015 (inflation-adjusted).
- Exports over the past 12 months are up 26.6 percent from their level in 2009 (inflation-adjusted).

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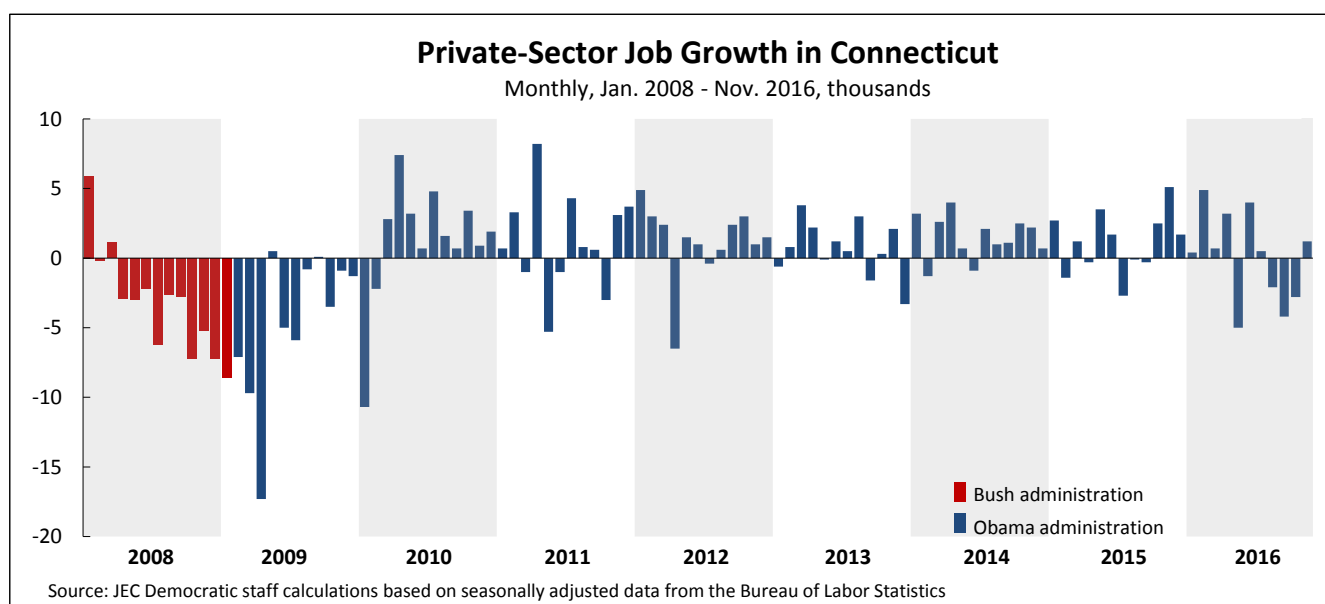
ECONOMIC SNAPSHOT: CONNECTICUT

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JOBS

- In November, private-sector employment in Connecticut grew by 1,200 jobs. Over the past year, Connecticut businesses have added 2,500 jobs. This compares with an increase of 12,600 jobs over the 12 months through November 2015.
- Since February 2010, the national low point for private-sector employment, Connecticut businesses have added 96,800 jobs (an increase of 7.2 percent). Nationally, private payrolls have increased by 14.6 percent over this time.
- The state sectors with the greatest job gains in percentage terms since February 2010 are: leisure and hospitality at 18.0 percent (23,500 jobs), professional and business services at 14.6 percent (27,600 jobs) and construction at 13.5 percent (6,600 jobs).



UNEMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Connecticut was 4.7 percent in November 2016, down 0.4 percentage point from October. The rate was 0.1 percentage point above the national rate of 4.6 percent.
- Unemployment is down 0.7 percentage point from one year earlier and is 4.5 percentage points below its recent peak of 9.2 percent in February 2011.
- There were 88,300 Connecticut residents unemployed in November 2016.

EARNINGS

- In November 2016, average hourly earnings of private-sector workers in Connecticut were \$30.56. The average workweek was 33.7 hours, and average weekly earnings were \$1,029.87.
- Adjusting for inflation, state average hourly earnings have risen by 0.5 percent over the past year. Nationally, real average hourly earnings have increased by 0.1 percent (not seasonally adjusted).

STATE QUICK FACTS

		Connecticut	United States
Private-Sector Jobs Added	Past 12 Months	2,500	2.0 million
	Since Feb. 2010	96,800	15.6 million
Unemployment Rate	November 2016	4.7%	4.6%
	November 2015	5.4%	5.0%
	Recession-Era Peak	9.2%	10.0%
Median Household Income (2015 \$)*	2015	\$71,300	\$55,800
	2014	\$70,100	\$53,700
Poverty Rate*	2015	10.5%	14.7%
	2014	10.8%	15.5%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	4.6%	4.6%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	1.4%	5.8%
Percentage Without Health Insurance*	2015	6.0%	9.4%
	2013	9.4%	14.5%

STATE GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT

- Real gross domestic product (GDP) in Connecticut grew by 0.1 percent over the four quarters through the second quarter of 2016, below the national average growth rate of 1.2 percent.**
- Since the official end of the Great Recession in the second quarter of 2009, Connecticut GDP growth has averaged -0.4 percent at an annual rate, compared with a national average of 1.9 percent.

HOUSING

- Home prices in Connecticut increased by 0.8 percent from the third quarter of 2015 to the third quarter of 2016. They are up 4.2 percent since their recent low in the second quarter of 2012.
- In October 2016, builders in Connecticut broke ground on 8,270 new housing units (seasonally adjusted annual rate), bringing the average over the past 12 months to 5,633 units. That marks an increase of 14.0 percent from the average over the prior 12 months.

EXPORTS

- In Connecticut, goods exports totaled \$1.3 billion in October and \$14.6 billion over the past year, down 1.7 percent from the 12 months ending in October 2015 (inflation-adjusted).
- Exports over the past 12 months are up 1.0 percent from their level in 2009 (inflation-adjusted).

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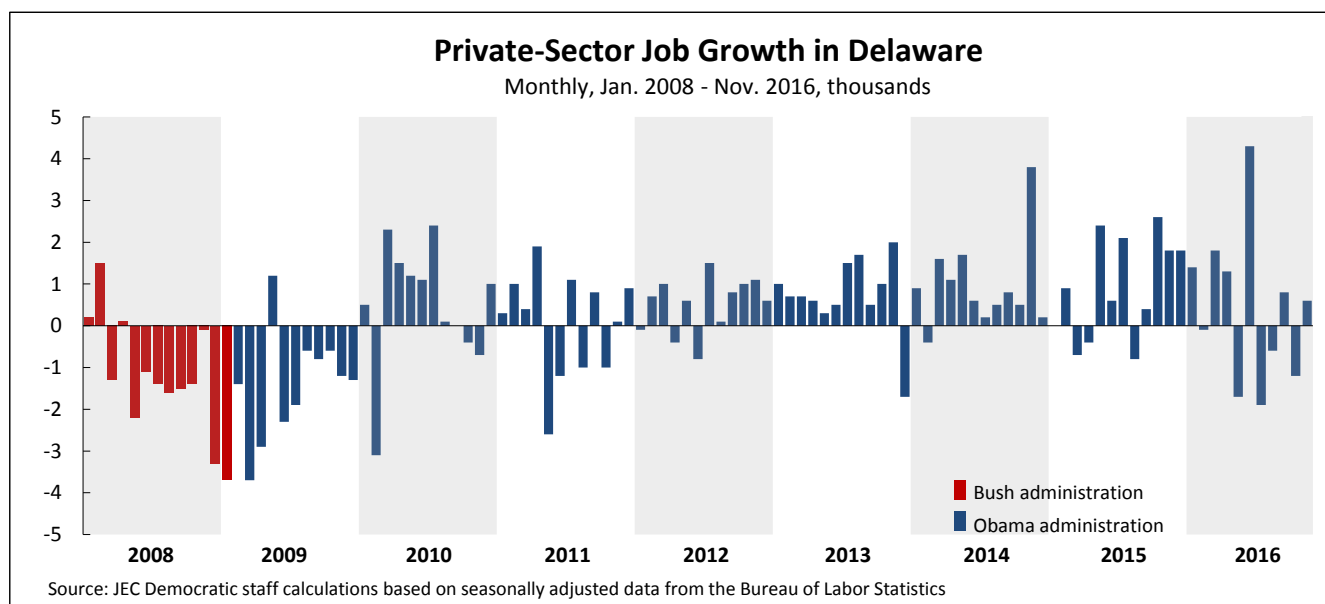
ECONOMIC SNAPSHOT: DELAWARE

Includes Bureau of Labor Statistics jobs, unemployment and earnings data through November 2016

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JOBS

- In November, private-sector employment in Delaware grew by 600 jobs. Over the past year, Delaware businesses have added 6,500 jobs. This compares with an increase of 9,100 jobs over the 12 months through November 2015.
- Since February 2010, the national low point for private-sector employment, Delaware businesses have added 51,000 jobs (an increase of 14.8 percent). Nationally, private payrolls have increased by 14.6 percent over this time.
- The state sectors with the greatest job gains in percentage terms since February 2010 are: leisure and hospitality at 31.5 percent (13,000 jobs), education and health services at 21.9 percent (14,000 jobs) and professional and business services at 18.5 percent (10,100 jobs).



UNEMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Delaware was 4.3 percent in November 2016, holding constant from October. The rate was 0.3 percentage point below the national rate of 4.6 percent.
- Unemployment is down 0.6 percentage point from one year earlier and is 4.4 percentage points below its recent peak of 8.7 percent in February 2010.
- There were 20,400 Delaware residents unemployed in November 2016.

EARNINGS

- In November 2016, average hourly earnings of private-sector workers in Delaware were \$25.06. The average workweek was 32.2 hours, and average weekly earnings were \$806.93.
- Adjusting for inflation, state average hourly earnings have risen by 4.3 percent over the past year. Nationally, real average hourly earnings have increased by 0.1 percent (not seasonally adjusted).

STATE QUICK FACTS

		Delaware	United States
Private-Sector Jobs Added	Past 12 Months	6,500	2.0 million
	Since Feb. 2010	51,000	15.6 million
Unemployment Rate	November 2016	4.3%	4.6%
	November 2015	4.9%	5.0%
	Recession-Era Peak	8.7%	10.0%
Median Household Income (2015 \$)*	2015	\$61,300	\$55,800
	2014	\$59,700	\$53,700
Poverty Rate*	2015	12.4%	14.7%
	2014	12.5%	15.5%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	3.6%	4.6%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	1.1%	5.8%
Percentage Without Health Insurance*	2015	5.9%	9.4%
	2013	9.1%	14.5%

STATE GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT

- Real gross domestic product (GDP) in Delaware grew by 0.8 percent over the four quarters through the second quarter of 2016, below the national average growth rate of 1.2 percent.**
- Since the official end of the Great Recession in the second quarter of 2009, Delaware GDP growth has averaged 0.8 percent at an annual rate, compared with a national average of 1.9 percent.

HOUSING

- Home prices in Delaware decreased by 0.5 percent from the third quarter of 2015 to the third quarter of 2016. They are up 12.6 percent since their recent low in the first quarter of 2012.
- In October 2016, builders in Delaware broke ground on 6,630 new housing units (seasonally adjusted annual rate), bringing the average over the past 12 months to 5,841 units. That marks an increase of 9.4 percent from the average over the prior 12 months.

EXPORTS

- In Delaware, goods exports totaled \$404 million in October and \$4.8 billion over the past year, down 5.5 percent from the 12 months ending in October 2015 (inflation-adjusted).
- Exports over the past 12 months are up 8.5 percent from their level in 2009 (inflation-adjusted).

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***** For additional Delaware-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the Delaware office:

<http://www.delawareworks.com/oelmi/Information/Publications.aspx>



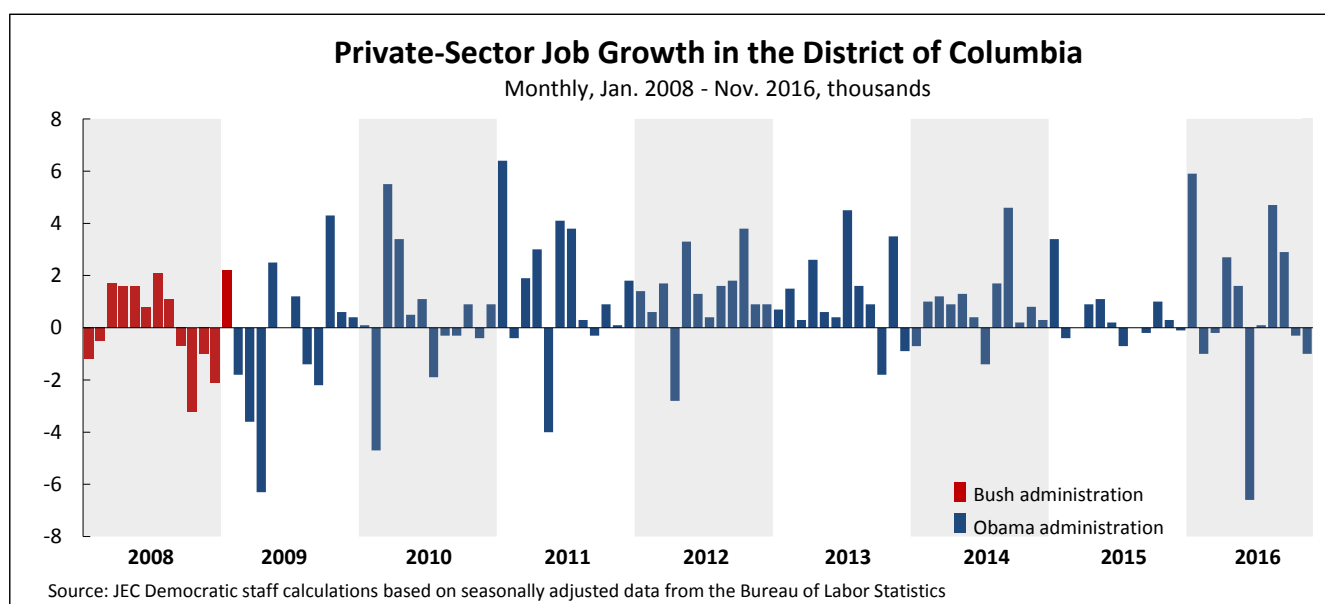
ECONOMIC SNAPSHOT: THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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JOBS

- In November, private-sector employment in the District of Columbia fell by 1,000 jobs. Over the past year, District of Columbia businesses have added 8,700 jobs. This compares with an increase of 5,900 jobs over the 12 months through November 2015.
- Since February 2010, the national low point for private-sector employment, District of Columbia businesses have added 80,400 jobs (an increase of 17.6 percent). Nationally, private payrolls have increased by 14.6 percent over this time.
- The DC sectors with the greatest job gains in percentage terms since February 2010 are: logging, mining and construction at 50.5 percent (4,800 jobs), leisure and hospitality at 29.1 percent (17,000 jobs) and trade, transportation and utilities at 23.0 percent (6,100 jobs).



UNEMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in the District of Columbia was 6.0 percent in November 2016, down 0.1 percentage point from October. The rate was 1.4 percentage points above the national rate of 4.6 percent.
- Unemployment is down 0.6 percentage point from one year earlier and is 4.5 percentage points below its recent peak of 10.5 percent in June 2011.
- There were 23,800 District of Columbia residents unemployed in November 2016.

EARNINGS

- In November 2016, average hourly earnings of private-sector workers in the District of Columbia were \$39.72. The average workweek was 35.0 hours, and average weekly earnings were \$1,390.20.
- Adjusting for inflation, DC average hourly earnings have risen by 4.5 percent over the past year. Nationally, real average hourly earnings have increased by 0.1 percent (not seasonally adjusted).

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

		District	United States
Private-Sector Jobs Added	Past 12 Months	8,700	2.0 million
	Since Feb. 2010	80,400	15.6 million
Unemployment Rate	November 2016	6.0%	4.6%
	November 2015	6.6%	5.0%
	Recession-Era Peak	10.5%	10.0%
Median Household Income (2015 \$)*	2015	\$75,600	\$55,800
	2014	\$71,700	\$53,700
Poverty Rate*	2015	17.3%	14.7%
	2014	17.7%	15.5%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	7.7%	4.6%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	3.1%	5.8%
Percentage Without Health Insurance*	2015	3.8%	9.4%
	2013	6.7%	14.5%

STATE GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT

- ❑ Real gross domestic product (GDP) in the District of Columbia grew by 1.4 percent over the four quarters through the second quarter of 2016, above the national average growth rate of 1.2 percent.**
- ❑ Since the official end of the Great Recession in the second quarter of 2009, District of Columbia GDP growth has averaged 1.4 percent at an annual rate, compared with a national average of 1.9 percent.

HOUSING

- ❑ Home prices in the District of Columbia decreased by 2.7 percent from the third quarter of 2015 to the third quarter of 2016. They are up 56.1 percent since their recent low in the first quarter of 2009.
- ❑ In October 2016, builders in the District of Columbia broke ground on 9,010 new housing units (seasonally adjusted annual rate), bringing the average over the past 12 months to 5,022 units. That marks an increase of 25.6 percent from the average over the prior 12 months.

EXPORTS

- ❑ In the District of Columbia, goods exports totaled \$48 million in October and \$1.3 billion over the past year, up 31.0 percent from the 12 months ending in October 2015 (inflation-adjusted).
- ❑ Exports over the past 12 months are up 15.7 percent from their level in 2009 (inflation-adjusted).

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***** For additional District of Columbia-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the District of Columbia office: <http://does.dc.gov/node/184512>



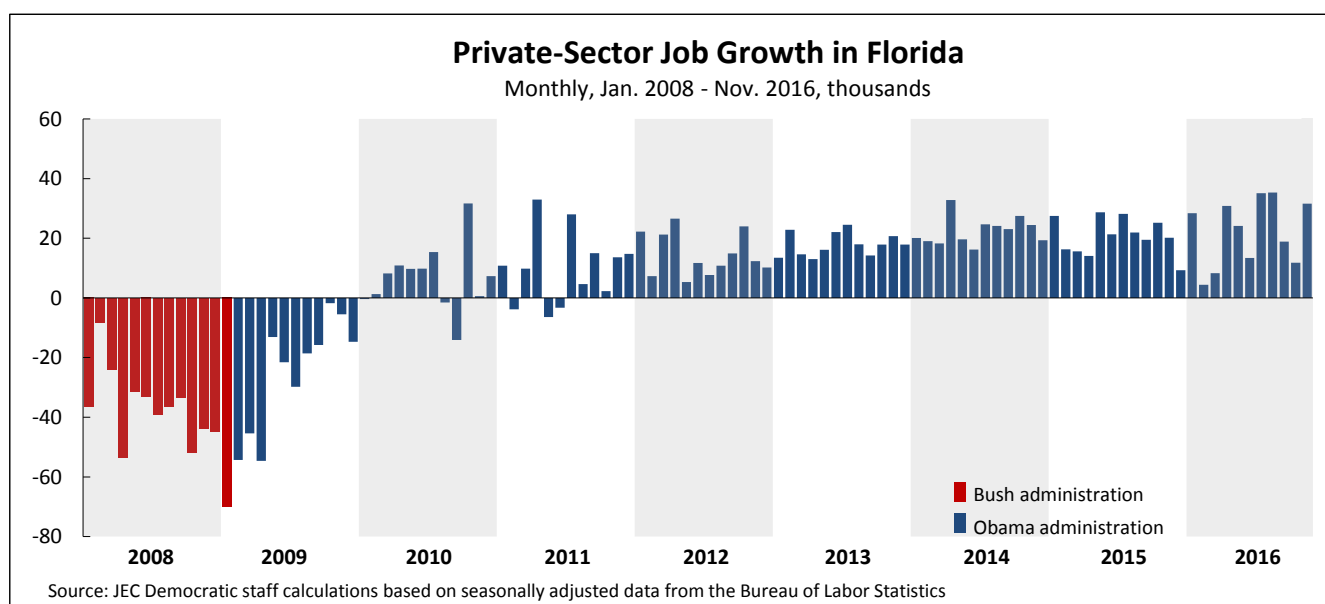
ECONOMIC SNAPSHOT: FLORIDA

Includes Bureau of Labor Statistics jobs, unemployment and earnings data through November 2016

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JOBS

- In November, private-sector employment in Florida grew by 31,600 jobs. Over the past year, Florida businesses have added 251,400 jobs. This compares with an increase of 257,800 jobs over the 12 months through November 2015.
- Since February 2010, the national low point for private-sector employment, Florida businesses have added 1,344,900 jobs (an increase of 22.3 percent). Nationally, private payrolls have increased by 14.6 percent over this time.
- The state sectors with the greatest job gains in percentage terms since February 2010 are: professional and business services at 31.9 percent (315,500 jobs), leisure and hospitality at 31.0 percent (285,100 jobs) and construction at 29.8 percent (106,200 jobs).



UNEMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Florida was 4.9 percent in November 2016, up 0.1 percentage point from October. The rate was 0.3 percentage point above the national rate of 4.6 percent.
- Unemployment is down 0.2 percentage point from one year earlier and is 6.3 percentage points below its recent peak of 11.2 percent in January 2010.
- There were 481,800 Florida residents unemployed in November 2016.

EARNINGS

- In November 2016, average hourly earnings of private-sector workers in Florida were \$23.62. The average workweek was 34.0 hours, and average weekly earnings were \$803.08.
- Adjusting for inflation, state average hourly earnings have risen by 1.1 percent over the past year. Nationally, real average hourly earnings have increased by 0.1 percent (not seasonally adjusted).

STATE QUICK FACTS

		Florida	United States
Private-Sector Jobs Added	Past 12 Months	251,400	2.0 million
	Since Feb. 2010	1.3 million	15.6 million
Unemployment Rate	November 2016	4.9%	4.6%
	November 2015	5.1%	5.0%
	Recession-Era Peak	11.2%	10.0%
Median Household Income (2015 \$)*	2015	\$49,400	\$55,800
	2014	\$47,500	\$53,700
Poverty Rate*	2015	15.7%	14.7%
	2014	16.5%	15.5%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	5.4%	4.6%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	6.7%	5.8%
Percentage Without Health Insurance*	2015	13.3%	9.4%
	2013	20.0%	14.5%

STATE GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT

- Real gross domestic product (GDP) in Florida grew by 2.9 percent over the four quarters through the second quarter of 2016, above the national average growth rate of 1.2 percent.**
- Since the official end of the Great Recession in the second quarter of 2009, Florida GDP growth has averaged 1.8 percent at an annual rate, compared with a national average of 1.9 percent.

HOUSING

- Home prices in Florida increased by 10.7 percent from the third quarter of 2015 to the third quarter of 2016. They are up 60.4 percent since their recent low in the second quarter of 2011.
- In October 2016, builders in Florida broke ground on 134,730 new housing units (seasonally adjusted annual rate), bringing the average over the past 12 months to 114,908 units. That marks an increase of 17.6 percent from the average over the prior 12 months.

EXPORTS

- In Florida, goods exports totaled \$4.3 billion in October and \$51.9 billion over the past year, down 2.4 percent from the 12 months ending in October 2015 (inflation-adjusted).
- Exports over the past 12 months are up 7.6 percent from their level in 2009 (inflation-adjusted).

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**** A list of sources used to compile the Florida economic snapshot is available at: <http://bit.ly/JEC-state-by-state-sources>

***** For additional Florida-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the Florida office: <http://www.floridajobs.org/labor-market-information/labor-market-information-press-releases/monthly-press-releases>



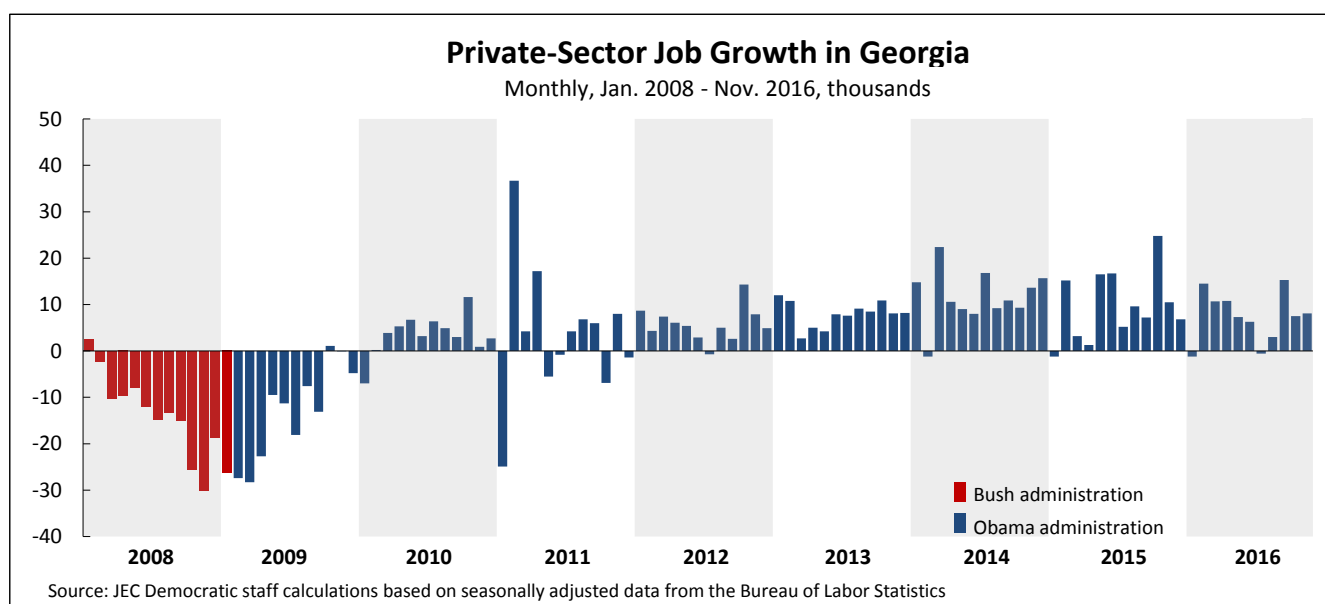
ECONOMIC SNAPSHOT: GEORGIA

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JOBS

- In November, private-sector employment in Georgia grew by 8,100 jobs. Over the past year, Georgia businesses have added 88,500 jobs. This compares with an increase of 124,700 jobs over the 12 months through November 2015.
- Since February 2010, the national low point for private-sector employment, Georgia businesses have added 592,600 jobs (an increase of 18.9 percent). Nationally, private payrolls have increased by 14.6 percent over this time.
- The state sectors with the greatest job gains in percentage terms since February 2010 are: professional and business services at 33.1 percent (170,700 jobs), leisure and hospitality at 28.4 percent (105,400 jobs) and education and health services at 18.7 percent (87,800 jobs).



UNEMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Georgia was 5.3 percent in November 2016, up 0.1 percentage point from October. The rate was 0.7 percentage point above the national rate of 4.6 percent.
- Unemployment is down 0.2 percentage point from one year earlier and is 5.2 percentage points below its recent peak of 10.5 percent in December 2010.
- There were 264,100 Georgia residents unemployed in November 2016.

EARNINGS

- In November 2016, average hourly earnings of private-sector workers in Georgia were \$24.69. The average workweek was 34.8 hours, and average weekly earnings were \$859.21.
- Adjusting for inflation, state average hourly earnings have held roughly constant over the past year. Nationally, real average hourly earnings have increased by 0.1 percent (not seasonally adjusted).

STATE QUICK FACTS

		Georgia	United States
Private-Sector Jobs Added	Past 12 Months	88,500	2.0 million
	Since Feb. 2010	592,600	15.6 million
Unemployment Rate	November 2016	5.3%	4.6%
	November 2015	5.5%	5.0%
	Recession-Era Peak	10.5%	10.0%
Median Household Income (2015 \$)*	2015	\$51,200	\$55,800
	2014	\$49,400	\$53,700
Poverty Rate*	2015	17.0%	14.7%
	2014	18.3%	15.5%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	4.9%	4.6%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	7.8%	5.8%
Percentage Without Health Insurance*	2015	13.9%	9.4%
	2013	18.8%	14.5%

STATE GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT

- Real gross domestic product (GDP) in Georgia grew by 3.9 percent over the four quarters through the second quarter of 2016, above the national average growth rate of 1.2 percent.**
- Since the official end of the Great Recession in the second quarter of 2009, Georgia GDP growth has averaged 1.8 percent at an annual rate, compared with a national average of 1.9 percent.

HOUSING

- Home prices in Georgia increased by 7.7 percent from the third quarter of 2015 to the third quarter of 2016. They are up 44.8 percent since their recent low in the second quarter of 2011.
- In October 2016, builders in Georgia broke ground on 62,750 new housing units (seasonally adjusted annual rate), bringing the average over the past 12 months to 50,349 units. That marks an increase of 24.7 percent from the average over the prior 12 months.

EXPORTS

- In Georgia, goods exports totaled \$2.9 billion in October and \$36.6 billion over the past year, down 2.1 percent from the 12 months ending in October 2015 (inflation-adjusted).
- Exports over the past 12 months are up 49.0 percent from their level in 2009 (inflation-adjusted).

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***** For additional Georgia-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the Georgia office: <http://explorer.dol.state.ga.us/>



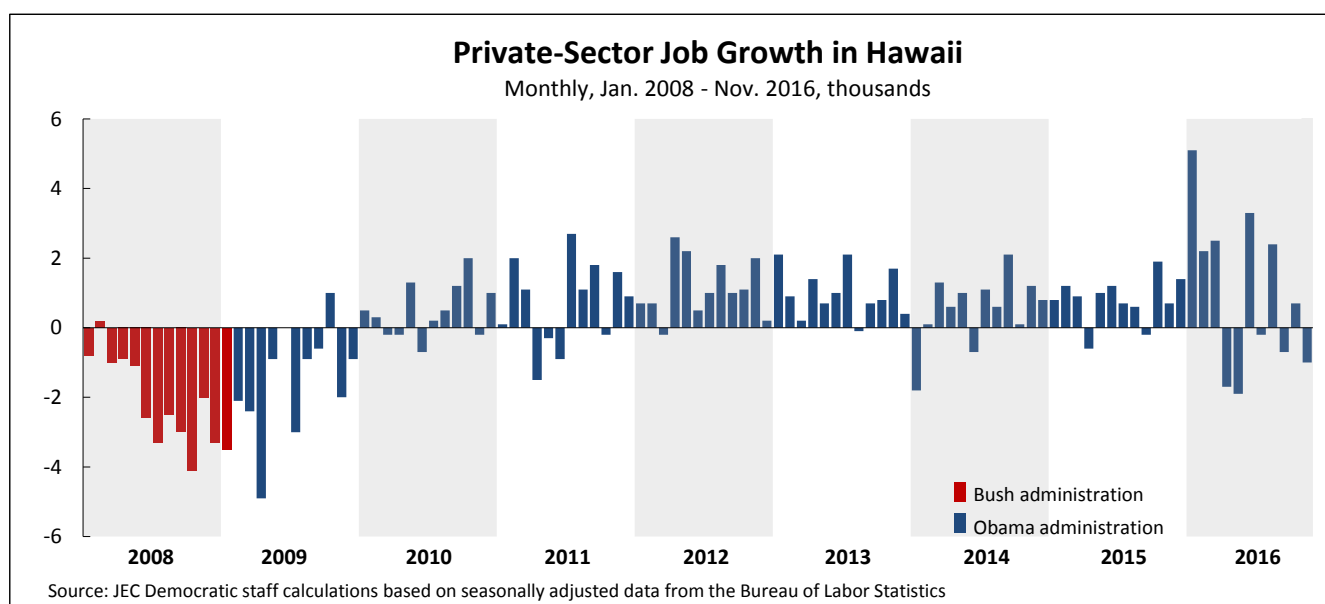
ECONOMIC SNAPSHOT: HAWAII

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JOBS

- In November, private-sector employment in Hawaii fell by 1,000 jobs. Over the past year, Hawaii businesses have added 12,100 jobs. This compares with an increase of 9,000 jobs over the 12 months through November 2015.
- Since February 2010, the national low point for private-sector employment, Hawaii businesses have added 65,500 jobs (an increase of 14.2 percent). Nationally, private payrolls have increased by 14.6 percent over this time.
- The state sectors with the greatest job gains in percentage terms since February 2010 are: logging, mining and construction at 33.4 percent (9,800 jobs), leisure and hospitality at 20.4 percent (20,400 jobs) and professional and business services at 19.9 percent (14,100 jobs).



UNEMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Hawaii was 3.0 percent in November 2016, down 0.2 percentage point from October. The rate was 1.6 percentage points below the national rate of 4.6 percent.
- Unemployment is down 0.3 percentage point from one year earlier and is 4.3 percentage points below its recent peak of 7.3 percent in October 2009.
- There were 20,600 Hawaii residents unemployed in November 2016.

EARNINGS

- In November 2016, average hourly earnings of private-sector workers in Hawaii were \$25.59. The average workweek was 32.0 hours, and average weekly earnings were \$818.88.
- Adjusting for inflation, state average hourly earnings have risen by 1.2 percent over the past year. Nationally, real average hourly earnings have increased by 0.1 percent (not seasonally adjusted).

STATE QUICK FACTS

		Hawaii	United States
Private-Sector Jobs Added	Past 12 Months	12,100	2.0 million
	Since Feb. 2010	65,500	15.6 million
Unemployment Rate	November 2016	3.0%	4.6%
	November 2015	3.3%	5.0%
	Recession-Era Peak	7.3%	10.0%
Median Household Income (2015 \$)*	2015	\$73,500	\$55,800
	2014	\$69,600	\$53,700
Poverty Rate*	2015	10.6%	14.7%
	2014	11.4%	15.5%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	2.5%	4.6%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	2.5%	5.8%
Percentage Without Health Insurance*	2015	4.0%	9.4%
	2013	6.7%	14.5%

STATE GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT

- Real gross domestic product (GDP) in Hawaii grew by 1.9 percent over the four quarters through the second quarter of 2016, above the national average growth rate of 1.2 percent.**
- Since the official end of the Great Recession in the second quarter of 2009, Hawaii GDP growth has averaged 1.5 percent at an annual rate, compared with a national average of 1.9 percent.

HOUSING

- Home prices in Hawaii increased by 0.7 percent from the third quarter of 2015 to the third quarter of 2016. They are up 41.2 percent since their recent low in the first quarter of 2011.
- In October 2016, builders in Hawaii broke ground on 2,360 new housing units (seasonally adjusted annual rate), bringing the average over the past 12 months to 3,628 units. That marks a decrease of 37.9 percent from the average over the prior 12 months.

EXPORTS

- In Hawaii, goods exports totaled \$64 million in October and \$1.6 billion over the past year, down 8.3 percent from the 12 months ending in October 2015 (inflation-adjusted).
- Exports over the past 12 months are up 171.2 percent from their level in 2009 (inflation-adjusted).

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***** For additional Hawaii-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the Hawaii office: <http://hawaii.gov/labor/>



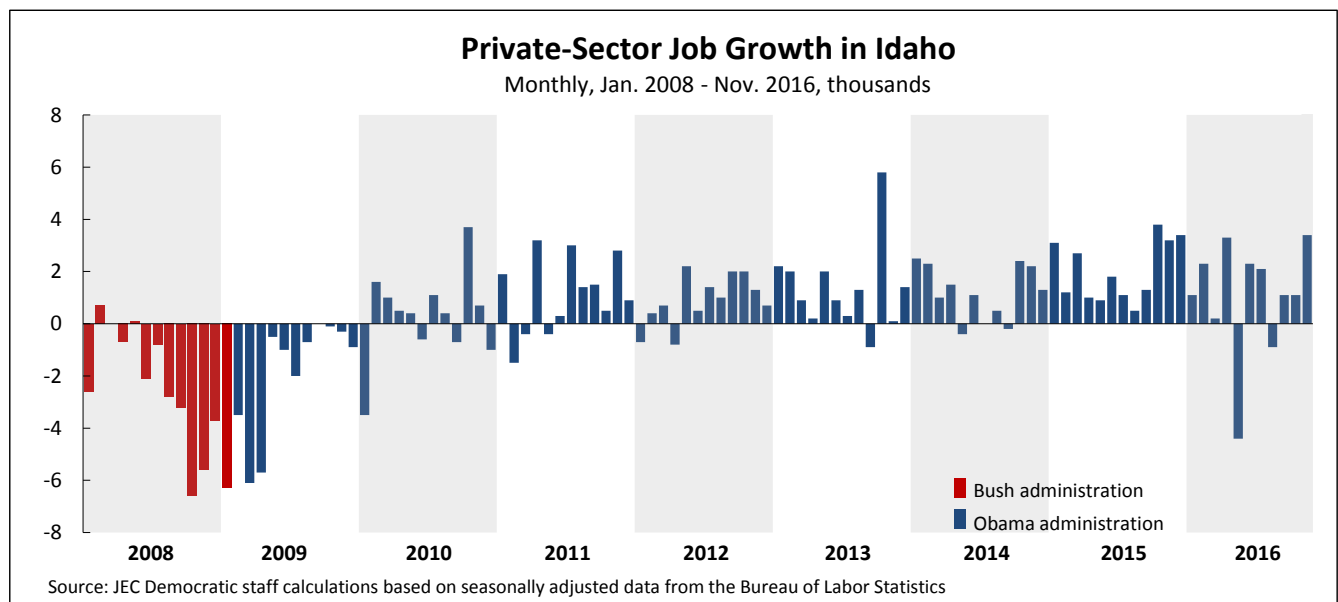
ECONOMIC SNAPSHOT: IDAHO

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JOBS

- In November, private-sector employment in Idaho grew by 3,400 jobs. Over the past year, Idaho businesses have added 15,000 jobs. This compares with an increase of 21,900 jobs over the 12 months through November 2015.
- Since February 2010, the national low point for private-sector employment, Idaho businesses have added 95,400 jobs (an increase of 19.8 percent). Nationally, private payrolls have increased by 14.6 percent over this time.
- The state sectors with the greatest job gains in percentage terms since February 2010 are: construction at 27.1 percent (8,700 jobs), leisure and hospitality at 27.0 percent (15,500 jobs) and financial activities at 23.8 percent (6,900 jobs).



UNEMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Idaho was 3.8 percent in November 2016, holding constant from October. The rate was 0.8 percentage point below the national rate of 4.6 percent.
- Unemployment is down 0.2 percentage point from one year earlier and is 5.9 percentage points below its recent peak of 9.7 percent in July 2009.
- There were 30,600 Idaho residents unemployed in November 2016.

EARNINGS

- In November 2016, average hourly earnings of private-sector workers in Idaho were \$22.40. The average workweek was 33.0 hours, and average weekly earnings were \$739.20.
- Adjusting for inflation, state average hourly earnings have fallen by 1.4 percent over the past year. Nationally, real average hourly earnings have increased by 0.1 percent (not seasonally adjusted).

STATE QUICK FACTS

		Idaho	United States
Private-Sector Jobs Added	Past 12 Months	15,000	2.0 million
	Since Feb. 2010	95,400	15.6 million
Unemployment Rate	November 2016	3.8%	4.6%
	November 2015	4.0%	5.0%
	Recession-Era Peak	9.7%	10.0%
Median Household Income (2015 \$)*	2015	\$48,300	\$55,800
	2014	\$47,900	\$53,700
Poverty Rate*	2015	15.1%	14.7%
	2014	14.8%	15.5%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	4.0%	4.6%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	9.2%	5.8%
Percentage Without Health Insurance*	2015	11.0%	9.4%
	2013	16.2%	14.5%

STATE GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT

- Real gross domestic product (GDP) in Idaho grew by 2.1 percent over the four quarters through the second quarter of 2016, above the national average growth rate of 1.2 percent.**
- Since the official end of the Great Recession in the second quarter of 2009, Idaho GDP growth has averaged 1.6 percent at an annual rate, compared with a national average of 1.9 percent.

HOUSING

- Home prices in Idaho increased by 8.9 percent from the third quarter of 2015 to the third quarter of 2016. They are up 50.3 percent since their recent low in the second quarter of 2011.
- In October 2016, builders in Idaho broke ground on 12,160 new housing units (seasonally adjusted annual rate), bringing the average over the past 12 months to 10,669 units. That marks an increase of 15.1 percent from the average over the prior 12 months.

EXPORTS

- In Idaho, goods exports totaled \$772 million in October and \$4.9 billion over the past year, up 17.7 percent from the 12 months ending in October 2015 (inflation-adjusted).
- Exports over the past 12 months are up 24.0 percent from their level in 2009 (inflation-adjusted).

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***** For additional Idaho-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the Idaho office:

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ECONOMIC SNAPSHOT: ILLINOIS

Includes Bureau of Labor Statistics jobs, unemployment and earnings data through November 2016

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JOBS

- In November, private-sector employment in Illinois grew by 1,500 jobs. Over the past year, Illinois businesses have added 40,200 jobs. This compares with an increase of 63,400 jobs over the 12 months through November 2015.
- Since February 2010, the national low point for private-sector employment, Illinois businesses have added 460,300 jobs (an increase of 9.7 percent). Nationally, private payrolls have increased by 14.6 percent over this time.
- The state sectors with the greatest job gains in percentage terms since February 2010 are: professional and business services at 22.0 percent (171,900 jobs), leisure and hospitality at 17.3 percent (88,900 jobs) and education and health services at 11.5 percent (94,300 jobs).



UNEMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Illinois was 5.6 percent in November 2016, holding constant from October. The rate was 1.0 percentage point above the national rate of 4.6 percent.
- Unemployment is down 0.4 percentage point from one year earlier and is 5.6 percentage points below its recent peak of 11.2 percent in January 2010.
- There were 368,500 Illinois residents unemployed in November 2016.

EARNINGS

- In November 2016, average hourly earnings of private-sector workers in Illinois were \$26.65. The average workweek was 34.1 hours, and average weekly earnings were \$908.77.
- Adjusting for inflation, state average hourly earnings have fallen by 1.3 percent over the past year. Nationally, real average hourly earnings have increased by 0.1 percent (not seasonally adjusted).

STATE QUICK FACTS

		Illinois	United States
Private-Sector Jobs Added	Past 12 Months	40,200	2.0 million
	Since Feb. 2010	460,300	15.6 million
Unemployment Rate	November 2016	5.6%	4.6%
	November 2015	6.0%	5.0%
	Recession-Era Peak	11.2%	10.0%
Median Household Income (2015 \$)*	2015	\$59,600	\$55,800
	2014	\$57,500	\$53,700
Poverty Rate*	2015	13.6%	14.7%
	2014	14.4%	15.5%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	5.0%	4.6%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	5.8%	5.8%
Percentage Without Health Insurance*	2015	7.1%	9.4%
	2013	12.7%	14.5%

STATE GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT

- Real gross domestic product (GDP) in Illinois grew by 1.8 percent over the four quarters through the second quarter of 2016, above the national average growth rate of 1.2 percent.**
- Since the official end of the Great Recession in the second quarter of 2009, Illinois GDP growth has averaged 1.3 percent at an annual rate, compared with a national average of 1.9 percent.

HOUSING

- Home prices in Illinois increased by 3.8 percent from the third quarter of 2015 to the third quarter of 2016. They are up 16.7 percent since their recent low in the fourth quarter of 2011.
- In October 2016, builders in Illinois broke ground on 37,820 new housing units (seasonally adjusted annual rate), bringing the average over the past 12 months to 22,446 units. That marks an increase of 24.7 percent from the average over the prior 12 months.

EXPORTS

- In Illinois, goods exports totaled \$5.5 billion in October and \$60.5 billion over the past year, down 2.1 percent from the 12 months ending in October 2015 (inflation-adjusted).
- Exports over the past 12 months are up 41.7 percent from their level in 2009 (inflation-adjusted).

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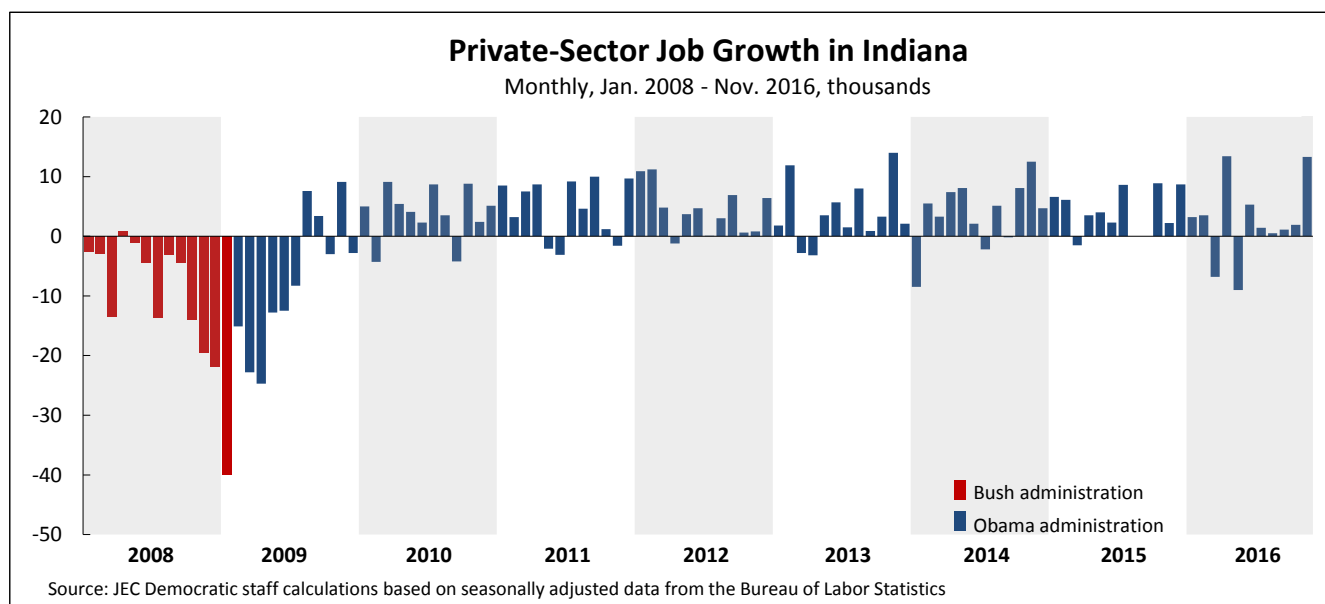
ECONOMIC SNAPSHOT: INDIANA

Includes Bureau of Labor Statistics jobs, unemployment and earnings data through November 2016

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JOBS

- In November, private-sector employment in Indiana grew by 13,300 jobs. Over the past year, Indiana businesses have added 36,500 jobs. This compares with an increase of 45,400 jobs over the 12 months through November 2015.
- Since February 2010, the national low point for private-sector employment, Indiana businesses have added 322,700 jobs (an increase of 13.8 percent). Nationally, private payrolls have increased by 14.6 percent over this time.
- The state sectors with the greatest job gains in percentage terms since February 2010 are: professional and business services at 24.8 percent (66,200 jobs), manufacturing at 17.6 percent (77,200 jobs) and construction at 14.6 percent (16,600 jobs).



UNEMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Indiana was 4.2 percent in November 2016, down 0.2 percentage point from October. The rate was 0.4 percentage point below the national rate of 4.6 percent.
- Unemployment is down 0.3 percentage point from one year earlier and is 6.7 percentage points below its recent peak of 10.9 percent in February 2010.
- There were 139,500 Indiana residents unemployed in November 2016.

EARNINGS

- In November 2016, average hourly earnings of private-sector workers in Indiana were \$23.85. The average workweek was 35.0 hours, and average weekly earnings were \$834.75.
- Adjusting for inflation, state average hourly earnings have risen by 1.7 percent over the past year. Nationally, real average hourly earnings have increased by 0.1 percent (not seasonally adjusted).

STATE QUICK FACTS

		Indiana	United States
Private-Sector Jobs Added	Past 12 Months	36,500	2.0 million
	Since Feb. 2010	322,700	15.6 million
Unemployment Rate	November 2016	4.2%	4.6%
	November 2015	4.5%	5.0%
	Recession-Era Peak	10.9%	10.0%
Median Household Income (2015 \$)*	2015	\$50,500	\$55,800
	2014	\$49,500	\$53,700
Poverty Rate*	2015	14.5%	14.7%
	2014	15.2%	15.5%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	2.4%	4.6%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	1.4%	5.8%
Percentage Without Health Insurance*	2015	9.6%	9.4%
	2013	14.0%	14.5%

STATE GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT

- Real gross domestic product (GDP) in Indiana grew by 1.5 percent over the four quarters through the second quarter of 2016, above the national average growth rate of 1.2 percent.**
- Since the official end of the Great Recession in the second quarter of 2009, Indiana GDP growth has averaged 2.3 percent at an annual rate, compared with a national average of 1.9 percent.

HOUSING

- Home prices in Indiana increased by 6.2 percent from the third quarter of 2015 to the third quarter of 2016. They are up 21.6 percent since their recent low in the first quarter of 2011.
- In October 2016, builders in Indiana broke ground on 20,790 new housing units (seasonally adjusted annual rate), bringing the average over the past 12 months to 18,169 units. That marks an increase of 13.8 percent from the average over the prior 12 months.

EXPORTS

- In Indiana, goods exports totaled \$3.0 billion in October and \$34.4 billion over the past year, up 5.3 percent from the 12 months ending in October 2015 (inflation-adjusted).
- Exports over the past 12 months are up 46.2 percent from their level in 2009 (inflation-adjusted).

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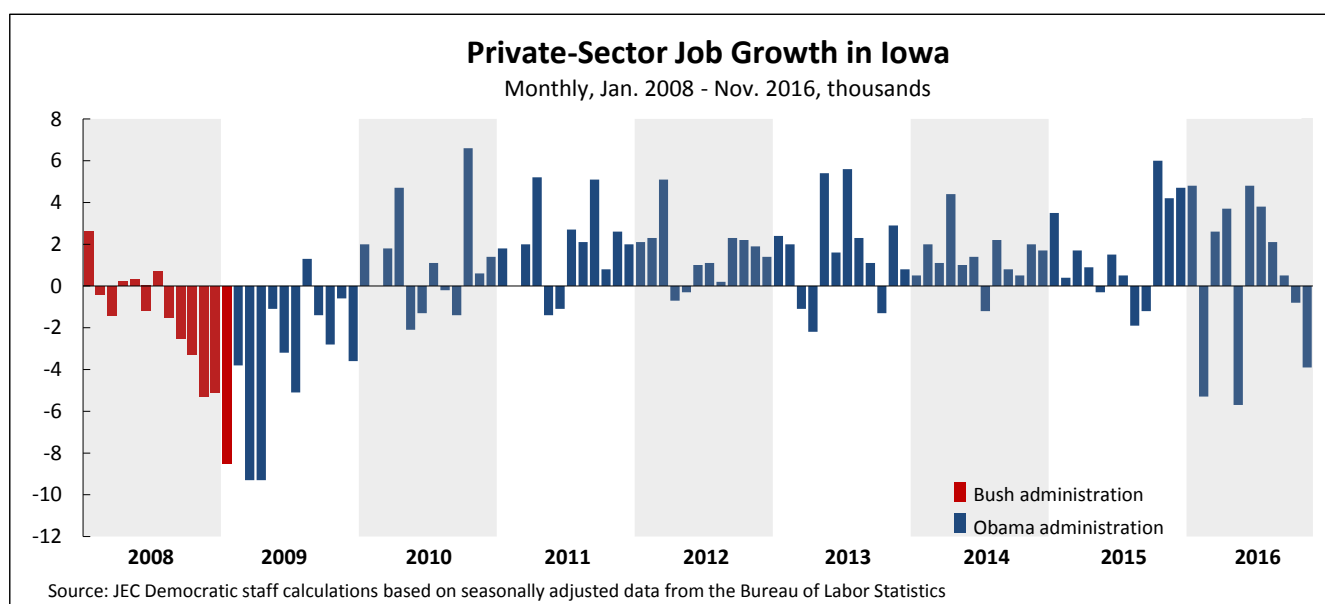
ECONOMIC SNAPSHOT: IOWA

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JOBS

- In November, private-sector employment in Iowa fell by 3,900 jobs. Over the past year, Iowa businesses have added 11,300 jobs. This compares with an increase of 17,000 jobs over the 12 months through November 2015.
- Since February 2010, the national low point for private-sector employment, Iowa businesses have added 114,100 jobs (an increase of 9.4 percent). Nationally, private payrolls have increased by 14.6 percent over this time.
- The state sectors with the greatest job gains in percentage terms since February 2010 are: construction at 45.5 percent (28,000 jobs), professional and business services at 15.2 percent (18,200 jobs) and other services at 10.9 percent (6,200 jobs).



UNEMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Iowa was 3.8 percent in November 2016, down 0.3 percentage point from October. The rate was 0.8 percentage point below the national rate of 4.6 percent.
- Unemployment is up 0.3 percentage point from one year earlier but remains 2.8 percentage points below its recent peak of 6.6 percent in August 2009.
- There were 65,000 Iowa residents unemployed in November 2016.

EARNINGS

- In November 2016, average hourly earnings of private-sector workers in Iowa were \$23.56. The average workweek was 34.8 hours, and average weekly earnings were \$819.89.
- Adjusting for inflation, state average hourly earnings have risen by 2.9 percent over the past year. Nationally, real average hourly earnings have increased by 0.1 percent (not seasonally adjusted).

STATE QUICK FACTS

		Iowa	United States
Private-Sector Jobs Added	Past 12 Months	11,300	2.0 million
	Since Feb. 2010	114,100	15.6 million
Unemployment Rate	November 2016	3.8%	4.6%
	November 2015	3.5%	5.0%
	Recession-Era Peak	6.6%	10.0%
Median Household Income (2015 \$)*	2015	\$54,700	\$55,800
	2014	\$53,800	\$53,700
Poverty Rate*	2015	12.2%	14.7%
	2014	12.2%	15.5%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	1.9%	4.6%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	1.1%	5.8%
Percentage Without Health Insurance*	2015	5.0%	9.4%
	2013	8.1%	14.5%

STATE GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT

- Real gross domestic product (GDP) in Iowa fell by 1.4 percent over the four quarters through the second quarter of 2016, below the national average growth rate of 1.2 percent.**
- Since the official end of the Great Recession in the second quarter of 2009, Iowa GDP growth has averaged 1.7 percent at an annual rate, compared with a national average of 1.9 percent.

HOUSING

- Home prices in Iowa increased by 6.1 percent from the third quarter of 2015 to the third quarter of 2016. They are up 21.8 percent since their recent low in the first quarter of 2011.
- In October 2016, builders in Iowa broke ground on 13,540 new housing units (seasonally adjusted annual rate), bringing the average over the past 12 months to 11,571 units. That marks an increase of 27.3 percent from the average over the prior 12 months.

EXPORTS

- In Iowa, goods exports totaled \$997 million in October and \$12.2 billion over the past year, down 6.2 percent from the 12 months ending in October 2015 (inflation-adjusted).
- Exports over the past 12 months are up 31.5 percent from their level in 2009 (inflation-adjusted).

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**** A list of sources used to compile the Iowa economic snapshot is available at: <http://bit.ly/JEC-state-by-state-sources>

***** For additional Iowa-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the Iowa office: <http://www.iowaworkforce.org/>



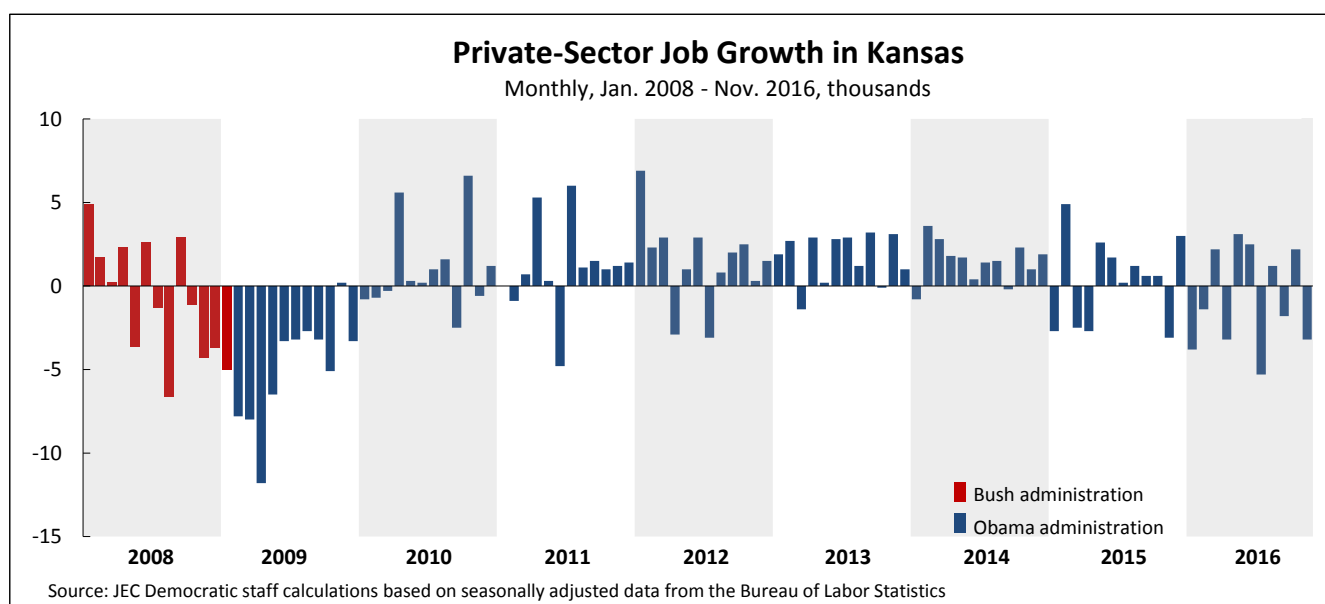
ECONOMIC SNAPSHOT: KANSAS

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JOBS

- In November, private-sector employment in Kansas fell by 3,200 jobs. Over the past year, Kansas businesses have shed 4,500 jobs. This compares with an increase of 2,700 jobs over the 12 months through November 2015.
- Since February 2010, the national low point for private-sector employment, Kansas businesses have added 77,100 jobs (an increase of 7.3 percent). Nationally, private payrolls have increased by 14.6 percent over this time.
- The state sectors with the greatest job gains in percentage terms since February 2010 are: professional and business services at 19.8 percent (29,400 jobs), leisure and hospitality at 12.3 percent (13,900 jobs) and financial activities at 10.5 percent (7,600 jobs).



UNEMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Kansas was 4.3 percent in November 2016, down 0.1 percentage point from October. The rate was 0.3 percentage point below the national rate of 4.6 percent.
- Unemployment is up 0.3 percentage point from one year earlier but remains 3.0 percentage points below its recent peak of 7.3 percent in September 2009.
- There were 64,000 Kansas residents unemployed in November 2016.

EARNINGS

- In November 2016, average hourly earnings of private-sector workers in Kansas were \$23.04. The average workweek was 33.8 hours, and average weekly earnings were \$778.75.
- Adjusting for inflation, state average hourly earnings have fallen by 1.4 percent over the past year. Nationally, real average hourly earnings have increased by 0.1 percent (not seasonally adjusted).

STATE QUICK FACTS

		Kansas	United States
Private-Sector Jobs Added	Past 12 Months	-4,500	2.0 million
	Since Feb. 2010	77,100	15.6 million
Unemployment Rate	November 2016	4.3%	4.6%
	November 2015	4.0%	5.0%
	Recession-Era Peak	7.3%	10.0%
Median Household Income (2015 \$)*	2015	\$53,900	\$55,800
	2014	\$52,600	\$53,700
Poverty Rate*	2015	13.0%	14.7%
	2014	13.6%	15.5%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	6.1%	4.6%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	14.0%	5.8%
Percentage Without Health Insurance*	2015	9.1%	9.4%
	2013	12.3%	14.5%

STATE GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT

- Real gross domestic product (GDP) in Kansas grew by 0.4 percent over the four quarters through the second quarter of 2016, below the national average growth rate of 1.2 percent.**
- Since the official end of the Great Recession in the second quarter of 2009, Kansas GDP growth has averaged 1.4 percent at an annual rate, compared with a national average of 1.9 percent.

HOUSING

- Home prices in Kansas increased by 5.8 percent from the third quarter of 2015 to the third quarter of 2016. They are up 21.0 percent since their recent low in the first quarter of 2011.
- In October 2016, builders in Kansas broke ground on 7,000 new housing units (seasonally adjusted annual rate), bringing the average over the past 12 months to 8,021 units. That marks an increase of 4.2 percent from the average over the prior 12 months.

EXPORTS

- In Kansas, goods exports totaled \$908 million in October and \$10.1 billion over the past year, down 3.7 percent from the 12 months ending in October 2015 (inflation-adjusted).
- Exports over the past 12 months are up 10.7 percent from their level in 2009 (inflation-adjusted).

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***** For additional Kansas-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the Kansas office: <http://www.dol.ks.gov/lmis/Default.aspx>



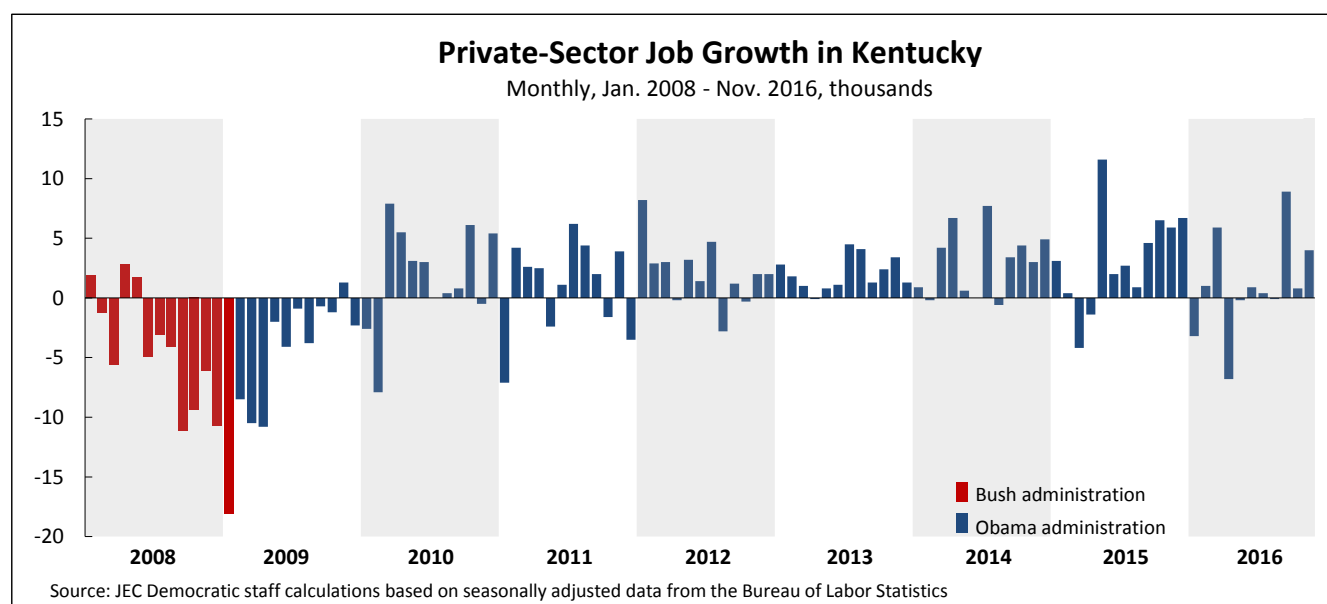
ECONOMIC SNAPSHOT: KENTUCKY

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JOBS

- In November, private-sector employment in Kentucky grew by 4,000 jobs. Over the past year, Kentucky businesses have added 18,300 jobs. This compares with an increase of 37,000 jobs over the 12 months through November 2015.
- Since February 2010, the national low point for private-sector employment, Kentucky businesses have added 179,100 jobs (an increase of 12.6 percent). Nationally, private payrolls have increased by 14.6 percent over this time.
- The state sectors with the greatest job gains in percentage terms since February 2010 are: professional and business services at 29.7 percent (51,900 jobs), manufacturing at 20.1 percent (41,000 jobs) and leisure and hospitality at 14.9 percent (24,600 jobs).



UNEMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Kentucky was 4.8 percent in November 2016, down 0.3 percentage point from October. The rate was 0.2 percentage point above the national rate of 4.6 percent.
- Unemployment is down 0.8 percentage point from one year earlier and is 6.1 percentage points below its recent peak of 10.9 percent in June 2009.
- There were 96,600 Kentucky residents unemployed in November 2016.

EARNINGS

- In November 2016, average hourly earnings of private-sector workers in Kentucky were \$21.33. The average workweek was 35.2 hours, and average weekly earnings were \$750.82.
- Adjusting for inflation, state average hourly earnings have risen by 0.2 percent over the past year. Nationally, real average hourly earnings have increased by 0.1 percent (not seasonally adjusted).

STATE QUICK FACTS

		Kentucky	United States
Private-Sector Jobs Added	Past 12 Months	18,300	2.0 million
	Since Feb. 2010	179,100	15.6 million
Unemployment Rate	November 2016	4.8%	4.6%
	November 2015	5.6%	5.0%
	Recession-Era Peak	10.9%	10.0%
Median Household Income (2015 \$)*	2015	\$45,200	\$55,800
	2014	\$43,000	\$53,700
Poverty Rate*	2015	18.5%	14.7%
	2014	19.1%	15.5%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	5.6%	4.6%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	5.9%	5.8%
Percentage Without Health Insurance*	2015	6.0%	9.4%
	2013	14.3%	14.5%

STATE GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT

- Real gross domestic product (GDP) in Kentucky fell by 0.1 percent over the four quarters through the second quarter of 2016, below the national average growth rate of 1.2 percent.**
- Since the official end of the Great Recession in the second quarter of 2009, Kentucky GDP growth has averaged 1.5 percent at an annual rate, compared with a national average of 1.9 percent.

HOUSING

- Home prices in Kentucky increased by 6.2 percent from the third quarter of 2015 to the third quarter of 2016. They are up 19.4 percent since their recent low in the second quarter of 2011.
- In October 2016, builders in Kentucky broke ground on 13,250 new housing units (seasonally adjusted annual rate), bringing the average over the past 12 months to 12,083 units. That marks an increase of 27.2 percent from the average over the prior 12 months.

EXPORTS

- In Kentucky, goods exports totaled \$2.4 billion in October and \$29.1 billion over the past year, up 6.9 percent from the 12 months ending in October 2015 (inflation-adjusted).
- Exports over the past 12 months are up 60.9 percent from their level in 2009 (inflation-adjusted).

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***** For additional Kentucky-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the Kentucky office: <http://www.workforcekentucky.ky.gov/>



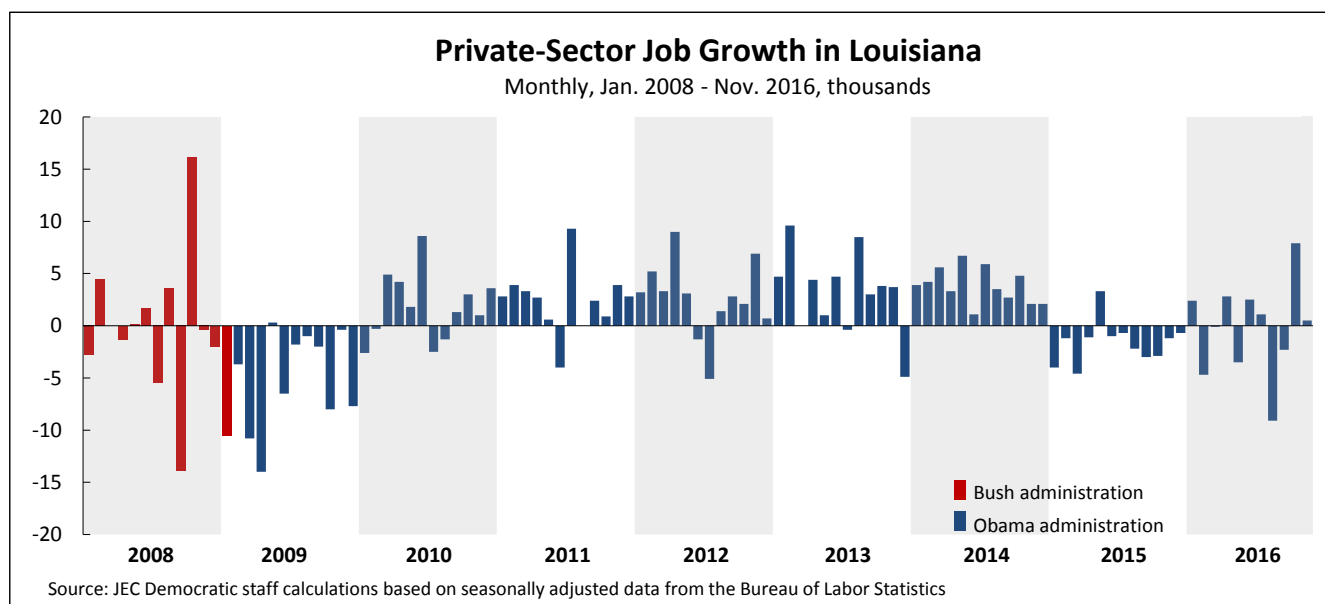
ECONOMIC SNAPSHOT: LOUISIANA

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JOBS

- In November, private-sector employment in Louisiana grew by 500 jobs. Over the past year, Louisiana businesses have shed 3,200 jobs. This compares with a decrease of 16,500 jobs over the 12 months through November 2015.
- Since February 2010, the national low point for private-sector employment, Louisiana businesses have added 146,700 jobs (an increase of 9.7 percent). Nationally, private payrolls have increased by 14.6 percent over this time.
- The state sectors with the greatest job gains in percentage terms since February 2010 are: construction at 21.3 percent (25,800 jobs), leisure and hospitality at 18.1 percent (34,800 jobs) and education and health services at 16.8 percent (45,000 jobs).



UNEMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Louisiana was 6.2 percent in November 2016, down 0.1 percentage point from October. The rate was 1.6 percentage points above the national rate of 4.6 percent.
- Unemployment is up 0.3 percentage point from one year earlier but remains 2.1 percentage points below its recent peak of 8.3 percent in December 2010.
- There were 131,000 Louisiana residents unemployed in November 2016.

EARNINGS

- In November 2016, average hourly earnings of private-sector workers in Louisiana were \$22.97. The average workweek was 35.0 hours, and average weekly earnings were \$803.95.
- Adjusting for inflation, state average hourly earnings have risen by 0.1 percent over the past year, as have real average hourly earnings nationally (not seasonally adjusted).

STATE QUICK FACTS

		Louisiana	United States
Private-Sector Jobs Added	Past 12 Months	-3,200	2.0 million
	Since Feb. 2010	146,700	15.6 million
Unemployment Rate	November 2016	6.2%	4.6%
	November 2015	5.9%	5.0%
	Recession-Era Peak	8.3%	10.0%
Median Household Income (2015 \$)*	2015	\$45,700	\$55,800
	2014	\$44,600	\$53,700
Poverty Rate*	2015	19.6%	14.7%
	2014	19.8%	15.5%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	4.6%	4.6%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	4.7%	5.8%
Percentage Without Health Insurance*	2015	11.9%	9.4%
	2013	16.6%	14.5%

STATE GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT

- Real gross domestic product (GDP) in Louisiana fell by 1.1 percent over the four quarters through the second quarter of 2016, below the national average growth rate of 1.2 percent.**
- Since the official end of the Great Recession in the second quarter of 2009, Louisiana GDP growth has averaged -0.2 percent at an annual rate, compared with a national average of 1.9 percent.

HOUSING

- Home prices in Louisiana increased by 2.5 percent from the third quarter of 2015 to the third quarter of 2016. They are up 18.9 percent since their recent low in the second quarter of 2011.
- In October 2016, builders in Louisiana broke ground on 16,680 new housing units (seasonally adjusted annual rate), bringing the average over the past 12 months to 15,649 units. That marks an increase of 8.0 percent from the average over the prior 12 months.

EXPORTS

- In Louisiana, goods exports totaled \$5.2 billion in October and \$47.6 billion over the past year, down 6.0 percent from the 12 months ending in October 2015 (inflation-adjusted).
- Exports over the past 12 months are up 41.4 percent from their level in 2009 (inflation-adjusted).

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***** For additional Louisiana-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the Louisiana office:
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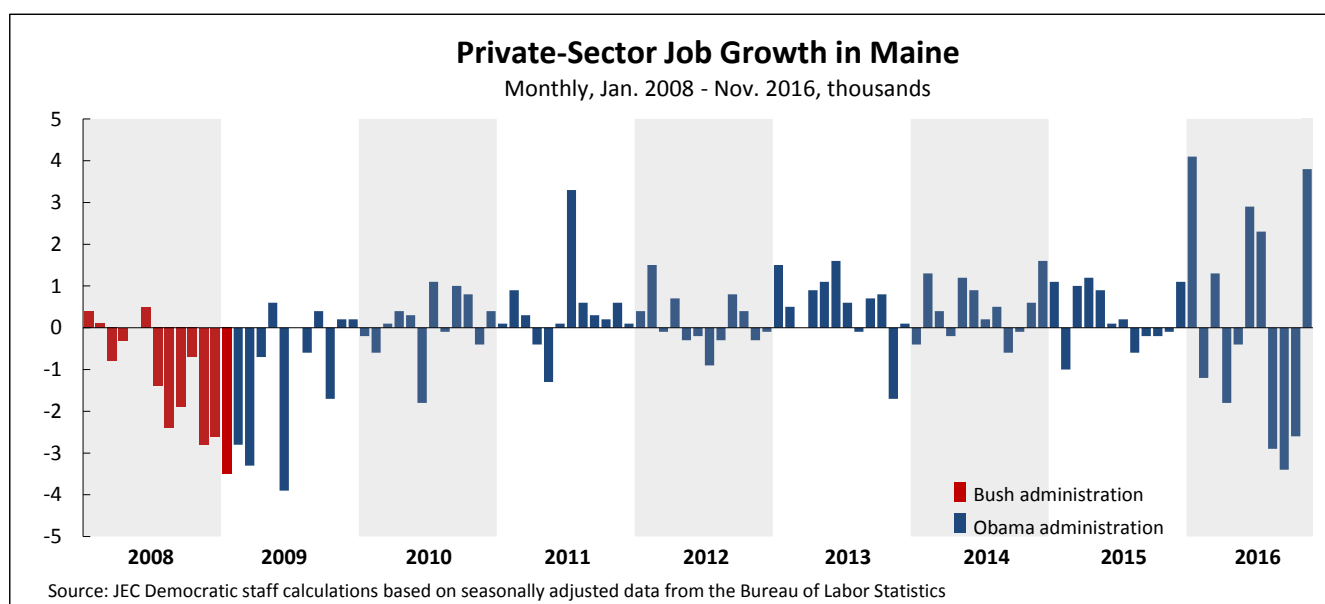
ECONOMIC SNAPSHOT: MAINE

Includes Bureau of Labor Statistics jobs, unemployment and earnings data through November 2016

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JOBS

- In November, private-sector employment in Maine grew by 3,800 jobs. Over the past year, Maine businesses have added 3,200 jobs. This compares with an increase of 4,000 jobs over the 12 months through November 2015.
- Since February 2010, the national low point for private-sector employment, Maine businesses have added 25,200 jobs (an increase of 5.2 percent). Nationally, private payrolls have increased by 14.6 percent over this time.
- The state sectors with the greatest job gains in percentage terms since February 2010 are: professional and business services at 14.3 percent (8,100 jobs), leisure and hospitality at 12.3 percent (7,300 jobs) and other services at 7.1 percent (1,400 jobs).



UNEMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Maine was 4.0 percent in November 2016, holding constant from October. The rate was 0.6 percentage point below the national rate of 4.6 percent.
- Unemployment is down 0.1 percentage point from one year earlier and is 4.3 percentage points below its recent peak of 8.3 percent in July 2009.
- There were 27,500 Maine residents unemployed in November 2016.

EARNINGS

- In November 2016, average hourly earnings of private-sector workers in Maine were \$22.44. The average workweek was 33.9 hours, and average weekly earnings were \$760.72.
- Adjusting for inflation, state average hourly earnings have fallen by 0.6 percent over the past year. Nationally, real average hourly earnings have increased by 0.1 percent (not seasonally adjusted).

STATE QUICK FACTS

		Maine	United States
Private-Sector Jobs Added	Past 12 Months	3,200	2.0 million
	Since Feb. 2010	25,200	15.6 million
Unemployment Rate	November 2016	4.0%	4.6%
	November 2015	4.1%	5.0%
	Recession-Era Peak	8.3%	10.0%
Median Household Income (2015 \$)*	2015	\$51,500	\$55,800
	2014	\$49,500	\$53,700
Poverty Rate*	2015	13.4%	14.7%
	2014	14.1%	15.5%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	4.5%	4.6%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	3.0%	5.8%
Percentage Without Health Insurance*	2015	8.4%	9.4%
	2013	11.2%	14.5%

STATE GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT

- Real gross domestic product (GDP) in Maine grew by 1.5 percent over the four quarters through the second quarter of 2016, above the national average growth rate of 1.2 percent.**
- Since the official end of the Great Recession in the second quarter of 2009, Maine GDP growth has averaged 0.5 percent at an annual rate, compared with a national average of 1.9 percent.

HOUSING

- Home prices in Maine increased by 4.6 percent from the third quarter of 2015 to the third quarter of 2016. They are up 15.4 percent since their recent low in the third quarter of 2012.
- In October 2016, builders in Maine broke ground on 5,580 new housing units (seasonally adjusted annual rate), bringing the average over the past 12 months to 4,505 units. That marks an increase of 37.7 percent from the average over the prior 12 months.

EXPORTS

- In Maine, goods exports totaled \$287 million in October and \$2.9 billion over the past year, up 8.7 percent from the 12 months ending in October 2015 (inflation-adjusted).
- Exports over the past 12 months are up 22.9 percent from their level in 2009 (inflation-adjusted).

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***** For additional Maine-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the Maine office: <http://www.state.me.us/labor/cwri/index.html>



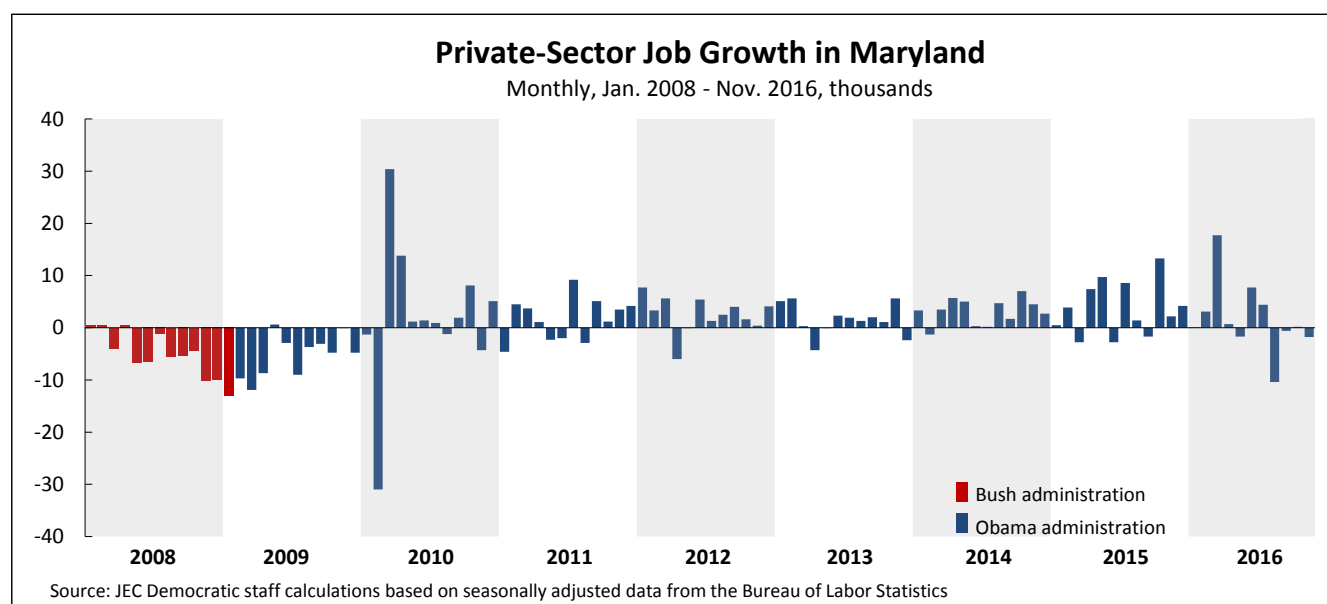
ECONOMIC SNAPSHOT: MARYLAND

Includes Bureau of Labor Statistics jobs, unemployment and earnings data through November 2016

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JOBS

- In November, private-sector employment in Maryland fell by 1,800 jobs. Over the past year, Maryland businesses have added 23,600 jobs. This compares with an increase of 42,400 jobs over the 12 months through November 2015.
- Since February 2010, the national low point for private-sector employment, Maryland businesses have added 226,800 jobs (an increase of 11.5 percent). Nationally, private payrolls have increased by 14.6 percent over this time.
- The state sectors with the greatest job gains in percentage terms since February 2010 are: leisure and hospitality at 25.1 percent (55,900 jobs), professional and business services at 17.0 percent (64,200 jobs) and education and health services at 14.4 percent (56,400 jobs).



UNEMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Maryland was 4.2 percent in November 2016, holding constant from October. The rate was 0.4 percentage point below the national rate of 4.6 percent.
- Unemployment is down 0.8 percentage point from one year earlier and is 3.6 percentage points below its recent peak of 7.8 percent in February 2010.
- There were 134,300 Maryland residents unemployed in November 2016.

EARNINGS

- In November 2016, average hourly earnings of private-sector workers in Maryland were \$27.80. The average workweek was 34.5 hours, and average weekly earnings were \$959.10.
- Adjusting for inflation, state average hourly earnings have fallen by 1.3 percent over the past year. Nationally, real average hourly earnings have increased by 0.1 percent (not seasonally adjusted).

STATE QUICK FACTS

		Maryland	United States
Private-Sector Jobs Added	Past 12 Months	23,600	2.0 million
	Since Feb. 2010	226,800	15.6 million
Unemployment Rate	November 2016	4.2%	4.6%
	November 2015	5.0%	5.0%
	Recession-Era Peak	7.8%	10.0%
Median Household Income (2015 \$)*	2015	\$75,800	\$55,800
	2014	\$74,100	\$53,700
Poverty Rate*	2015	9.7%	14.7%
	2014	10.1%	15.5%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	7.2%	4.6%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	9.7%	5.8%
Percentage Without Health Insurance*	2015	6.6%	9.4%
	2013	10.2%	14.5%

STATE GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT

- Real gross domestic product (GDP) in Maryland grew by 0.4 percent over the four quarters through the second quarter of 2016, below the national average growth rate of 1.2 percent.**
- Since the official end of the Great Recession in the second quarter of 2009, Maryland GDP growth has averaged 1.3 percent at an annual rate, compared with a national average of 1.9 percent.

HOUSING

- Home prices in Maryland increased by 2.5 percent from the third quarter of 2015 to the third quarter of 2016. They are up 17.7 percent since their recent low in the first quarter of 2012.
- In October 2016, builders in Maryland broke ground on 13,090 new housing units (seasonally adjusted annual rate), bringing the average over the past 12 months to 15,714 units. That marks a decrease of 2.4 percent from the average over the prior 12 months.

EXPORTS

- In Maryland, goods exports totaled \$740 million in October and \$9.6 billion over the past year, down 1.9 percent from the 12 months ending in October 2015 (inflation-adjusted).
- Exports over the past 12 months are up 1.1 percent from their level in 2009 (inflation-adjusted).

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***** For additional Maryland-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the Maryland office: <http://www.dllr.maryland.gov/lmi/>



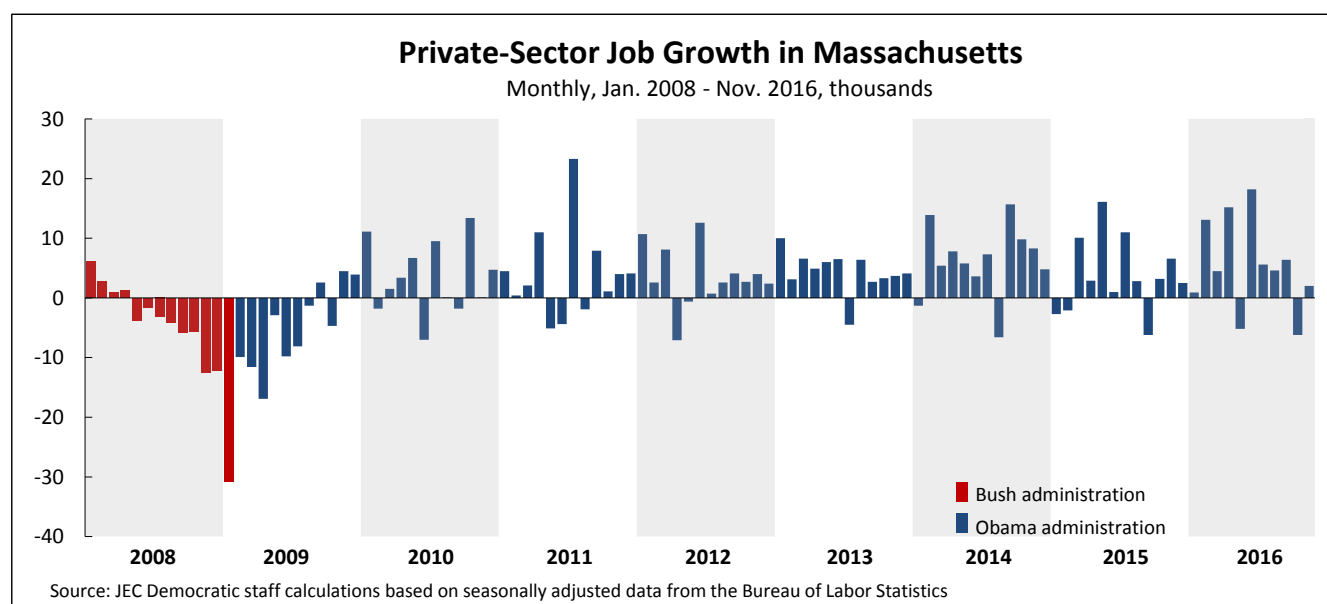
ECONOMIC SNAPSHOT: MASSACHUSETTS

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JOBS

- In November, private-sector employment in Massachusetts grew by 2,000 jobs. Over the past year, Massachusetts businesses have added 61,600 jobs. This compares with an increase of 47,500 jobs over the 12 months through November 2015.
- Since February 2010, the national low point for private-sector employment, Massachusetts businesses have added 352,000 jobs (an increase of 12.7 percent). Nationally, private payrolls have increased by 14.6 percent over this time.
- The state sectors with the greatest job gains in percentage terms since February 2010 are: construction at 40.9 percent (43,600 jobs), professional and business services at 20.9 percent (96,100 jobs) and leisure and hospitality at 17.3 percent (52,500 jobs).



UNEMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Massachusetts was 2.9 percent in November 2016, down 0.4 percentage point from October. The rate was 1.7 percentage points below the national rate of 4.6 percent.
- Unemployment is down 2.0 percentage points from one year earlier and is 5.9 percentage points below its recent peak of 8.8 percent in January 2010.
- There were 105,400 Massachusetts residents unemployed in November 2016.

EARNINGS

- In November 2016, average hourly earnings of private-sector workers in Massachusetts were \$31.97. The average workweek was 33.4 hours, and average weekly earnings were \$1,067.80.
- Adjusting for inflation, state average hourly earnings have risen by 0.7 percent over the past year. Nationally, real average hourly earnings have increased by 0.1 percent (not seasonally adjusted).

STATE QUICK FACTS

		Massachusetts	United States
Private-Sector Jobs Added	Past 12 Months	61,600	2.0 million
	Since Feb. 2010	352,000	15.6 million
Unemployment Rate	November 2016	2.9%	4.6%
	November 2015	4.9%	5.0%
	Recession-Era Peak	8.8%	10.0%
Median Household Income (2015 \$)*	2015	\$70,600	\$55,800
	2014	\$69,200	\$53,700
Poverty Rate*	2015	11.5%	14.7%
	2014	11.6%	15.5%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	5.3%	4.6%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	14.3%	5.8%
Percentage Without Health Insurance*	2015	2.8%	9.4%
	2013	3.7%	14.5%

STATE GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT

- Real gross domestic product (GDP) in Massachusetts grew by 1.1 percent over the four quarters through the second quarter of 2016, below the national average growth rate of 1.2 percent.**
- Since the official end of the Great Recession in the second quarter of 2009, Massachusetts GDP growth has averaged 1.9 percent at an annual rate, matching the national average growth rate.

HOUSING

- Home prices in Massachusetts increased by 5.2 percent from the third quarter of 2015 to the third quarter of 2016. They are up 22.9 percent since their recent low in the first quarter of 2012.
- In October 2016, builders in Massachusetts broke ground on 16,590 new housing units (seasonally adjusted annual rate), bringing the average over the past 12 months to 15,739 units. That marks an increase of 1.6 percent from the average over the prior 12 months.

EXPORTS

- In Massachusetts, goods exports totaled \$2.1 billion in October and \$26.2 billion over the past year, up 6.7 percent from the 12 months ending in October 2015 (inflation-adjusted).
- Exports over the past 12 months are up 7.8 percent from their level in 2009 (inflation-adjusted).

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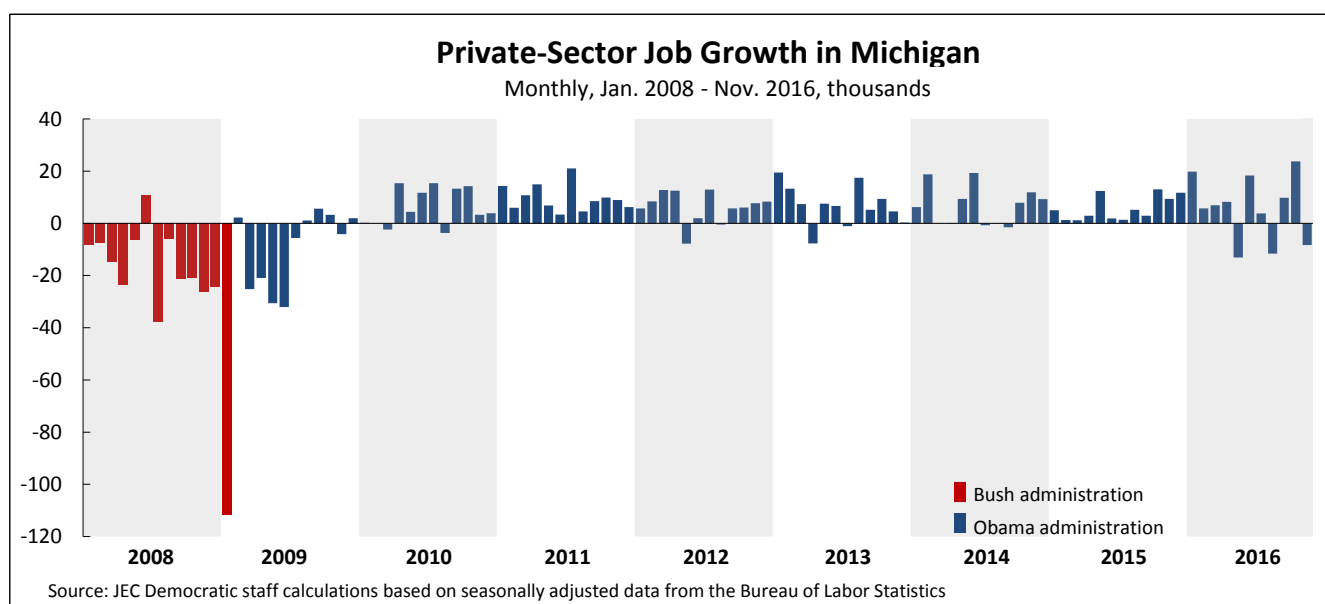
ECONOMIC SNAPSHOT: MICHIGAN

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JOBS

- In November, private-sector employment in Michigan fell by 8,300 jobs. Over the past year, Michigan businesses have added 74,900 jobs. This compares with an increase of 65,900 jobs over the 12 months through November 2015.
- Since February 2010, the national low point for private-sector employment, Michigan businesses have added 559,400 jobs (an increase of 17.5 percent). Nationally, private payrolls have increased by 14.6 percent over this time.
- The state sectors with the greatest job gains in percentage terms since February 2010 are: construction at 33.4 percent (39,800 jobs), manufacturing at 31.2 percent (141,900 jobs) and professional and business services at 31.1 percent (159,300 jobs).



UNEMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Michigan was 4.9 percent in November 2016, up 0.2 percentage point from October. The rate was 0.3 percentage point above the national rate of 4.6 percent.
- Unemployment is down 0.2 percentage point from one year earlier and is 10.0 percentage points below its recent peak of 14.9 percent in June 2009.
- There were 239,900 Michigan residents unemployed in November 2016.

EARNINGS

- In November 2016, average hourly earnings of private-sector workers in Michigan were \$24.51. The average workweek was 34.5 hours, and average weekly earnings were \$845.60.
- Adjusting for inflation, state average hourly earnings have fallen by 1.5 percent over the past year. Nationally, real average hourly earnings have increased by 0.1 percent (not seasonally adjusted).

STATE QUICK FACTS

		Michigan	United States
Private-Sector Jobs Added	Past 12 Months	74,900	2.0 million
	Since Feb. 2010	559,400	15.6 million
Unemployment Rate	November 2016	4.9%	4.6%
	November 2015	5.1%	5.0%
	Recession-Era Peak	14.9%	10.0%
Median Household Income (2015 \$)*	2015	\$51,100	\$55,800
	2014	\$49,900	\$53,700
Poverty Rate*	2015	15.8%	14.7%
	2014	16.2%	15.5%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	5.3%	4.6%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	2.2%	5.8%
Percentage Without Health Insurance*	2015	6.1%	9.4%
	2013	11.0%	14.5%

STATE GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT

- Real gross domestic product (GDP) in Michigan grew by 1.9 percent over the four quarters through the second quarter of 2016, above the national average growth rate of 1.2 percent.**
- Since the official end of the Great Recession in the second quarter of 2009, Michigan GDP growth has averaged 2.4 percent at an annual rate, compared with a national average of 1.9 percent.

HOUSING

- Home prices in Michigan increased by 6.9 percent from the third quarter of 2015 to the third quarter of 2016. They are up 43.9 percent since their recent low in the second quarter of 2011.
- In October 2016, builders in Michigan broke ground on 27,030 new housing units (seasonally adjusted annual rate), bringing the average over the past 12 months to 24,209 units. That marks an increase of 39.1 percent from the average over the prior 12 months.

EXPORTS

- In Michigan, goods exports totaled \$5.0 billion in October and \$54.9 billion over the past year, up 7.1 percent from the 12 months ending in October 2015 (inflation-adjusted).
- Exports over the past 12 months are up 64.1 percent from their level in 2009 (inflation-adjusted).

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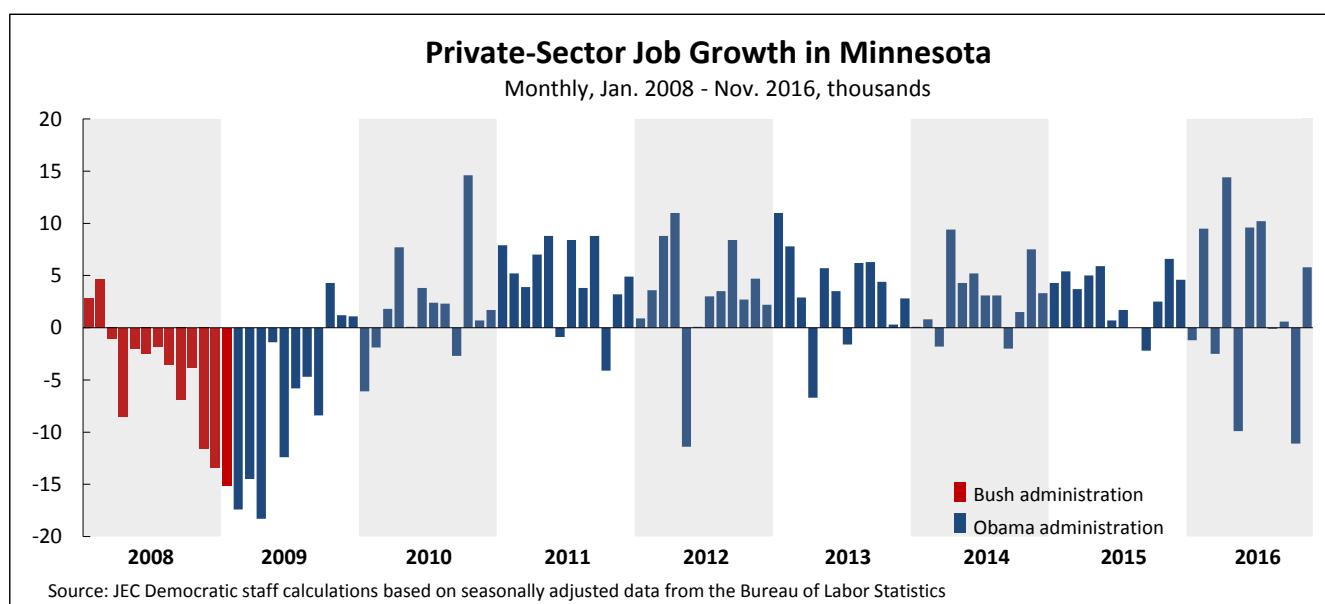
ECONOMIC SNAPSHOT: MINNESOTA

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JOBS

- In November, private-sector employment in Minnesota grew by 5,800 jobs. Over the past year, Minnesota businesses have added 29,900 jobs. This compares with an increase of 36,900 jobs over the 12 months through November 2015.
- Since February 2010, the national low point for private-sector employment, Minnesota businesses have added 267,400 jobs (an increase of 12.1 percent). Nationally, private payrolls have increased by 14.6 percent over this time.
- The state sectors with the greatest job gains in percentage terms since February 2010 are: construction at 38.9 percent (34,000 jobs), professional and business services at 16.4 percent (51,100 jobs) and education and health services at 16.2 percent (73,800 jobs).



UNEMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Minnesota was 3.8 percent in November 2016, down 0.2 percentage point from October. The rate was 0.8 percentage point below the national rate of 4.6 percent.
- Unemployment is up 0.1 percentage point from one year earlier but remains 4.3 percentage points below its recent peak of 8.1 percent in June 2009.
- There were 114,400 Minnesota residents unemployed in November 2016.

EARNINGS

- In November 2016, average hourly earnings of private-sector workers in Minnesota were \$27.88. The average workweek was 34.0 hours, and average weekly earnings were \$947.92.
- Adjusting for inflation, state average hourly earnings have risen by 4.2 percent over the past year. Nationally, real average hourly earnings have increased by 0.1 percent (not seasonally adjusted).

STATE QUICK FACTS

		Minnesota	United States
Private-Sector Jobs Added	Past 12 Months	29,900	2.0 million
	Since Feb. 2010	267,400	15.6 million
Unemployment Rate	November 2016	3.8%	4.6%
	November 2015	3.7%	5.0%
	Recession-Era Peak	8.1%	10.0%
Median Household Income (2015 \$)*	2015	\$63,500	\$55,800
	2014	\$61,500	\$53,700
Poverty Rate*	2015	10.2%	14.7%
	2014	11.5%	15.5%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	5.5%	4.6%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	10.5%	5.8%
Percentage Without Health Insurance*	2015	4.5%	9.4%
	2013	8.2%	14.5%

STATE GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT

- Real gross domestic product (GDP) in Minnesota fell by 1.6 percent over the four quarters through the second quarter of 2016, below the national average growth rate of 1.2 percent.**
- Since the official end of the Great Recession in the second quarter of 2009, Minnesota GDP growth has averaged 1.7 percent at an annual rate, compared with a national average of 1.9 percent.

HOUSING

- Home prices in Minnesota increased by 6.0 percent from the third quarter of 2015 to the third quarter of 2016. They are up 30.9 percent since their recent low in the second quarter of 2011.
- In October 2016, builders in Minnesota broke ground on 27,500 new housing units (seasonally adjusted annual rate), bringing the average over the past 12 months to 19,713 units. That marks an increase of 7.5 percent from the average over the prior 12 months.

EXPORTS

- In Minnesota, goods exports totaled \$1.7 billion in October and \$19.4 billion over the past year, down 1.0 percent from the 12 months ending in October 2015 (inflation-adjusted).
- Exports over the past 12 months are up 21.4 percent from their level in 2009 (inflation-adjusted).

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ECONOMIC SNAPSHOT: MISSISSIPPI

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JOBS

- In November, private-sector employment in Mississippi fell by 900 jobs. Over the past year, Mississippi businesses have shed 3,200 jobs. This compares with an increase of 13,600 jobs over the 12 months through November 2015.
- Since February 2010, the national low point for private-sector employment, Mississippi businesses have added 57,900 jobs (an increase of 6.9 percent). Nationally, private payrolls have increased by 14.6 percent over this time.
- The state sectors with the greatest job gains in percentage terms since February 2010 are: leisure and hospitality at 14.2 percent (16,700 jobs), professional and business services at 12.7 percent (11,100 jobs) and education and health services at 8.6 percent (11,100 jobs).



UNEMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Mississippi was 5.7 percent in November 2016, down 0.2 percentage point from October. The rate was 1.1 percentage points above the national rate of 4.6 percent.
- Unemployment is down 0.9 percentage point from one year earlier and is 5.1 percentage points below its recent peak of 10.8 percent in March 2010.
- There were 73,400 Mississippi residents unemployed in November 2016.

EARNINGS

- In November 2016, average hourly earnings of private-sector workers in Mississippi were \$20.09. The average workweek was 34.8 hours, and average weekly earnings were \$699.13.
- Adjusting for inflation, state average hourly earnings have fallen by 0.7 percent over the past year. Nationally, real average hourly earnings have increased by 0.1 percent (not seasonally adjusted).

STATE QUICK FACTS

		Mississippi	United States
Private-Sector Jobs Added	Past 12 Months	-3,200	2.0 million
	Since Feb. 2010	57,900	15.6 million
Unemployment Rate	November 2016	5.7%	4.6%
	November 2015	6.6%	5.0%
	Recession-Era Peak	10.8%	10.0%
Median Household Income (2015 \$)*	2015	\$40,600	\$55,800
	2014	\$39,700	\$53,700
Poverty Rate*	2015	22.0%	14.7%
	2014	21.5%	15.5%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	6.2%	4.6%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	4.7%	5.8%
Percentage Without Health Insurance*	2015	12.7%	9.4%
	2013	17.1%	14.5%

STATE GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT

- Real gross domestic product (GDP) in Mississippi grew by 2.4 percent over the four quarters through the second quarter of 2016, above the national average growth rate of 1.2 percent.**
- Since the official end of the Great Recession in the second quarter of 2009, Mississippi GDP growth has averaged 0.4 percent at an annual rate, compared with a national average of 1.9 percent.

HOUSING

- Home prices in Mississippi increased by 4.2 percent from the third quarter of 2015 to the third quarter of 2016. They are up 14.6 percent since their recent low in the second quarter of 2011.
- In October 2016, builders in Mississippi broke ground on 7,350 new housing units (seasonally adjusted annual rate), bringing the average over the past 12 months to 7,040 units. That marks an increase of 6.7 percent from the average over the prior 12 months.

EXPORTS

- In Mississippi, goods exports totaled \$969 million in October and \$10.6 billion over the past year, up 0.6 percent from the 12 months ending in October 2015 (inflation-adjusted).
- Exports over the past 12 months are up 63.9 percent from their level in 2009 (inflation-adjusted).

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ECONOMIC SNAPSHOT: MISSOURI

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JOBS

- In November, private-sector employment in Missouri grew by 3,300 jobs. Over the past year, Missouri businesses have added 53,400 jobs. This compares with an increase of 27,800 jobs over the 12 months through November 2015.
- Since February 2010, the national low point for private-sector employment, Missouri businesses have added 204,200 jobs (an increase of 9.3 percent). Nationally, private payrolls have increased by 14.6 percent over this time.
- The state sectors with the greatest job gains in percentage terms since February 2010 are: professional and business services at 21.8 percent (68,600 jobs), construction at 13.4 percent (14,300 jobs) and leisure and hospitality at 12.4 percent (33,500 jobs).



UNEMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Missouri was 4.7 percent in November 2016, down 0.4 percentage point from October. The rate was 0.1 percentage point above the national rate of 4.6 percent.
- Unemployment is up 0.3 percentage point from one year earlier but remains 5.1 percentage points below its recent peak of 9.8 percent in February 2010.
- There were 147,800 Missouri residents unemployed in November 2016.

EARNINGS

- In November 2016, average hourly earnings of private-sector workers in Missouri were \$23.29. The average workweek was 33.0 hours, and average weekly earnings were \$768.57.
- Adjusting for inflation, state average hourly earnings have risen by 3.1 percent over the past year. Nationally, real average hourly earnings have increased by 0.1 percent (not seasonally adjusted).

STATE QUICK FACTS

		Missouri	United States
Private-Sector Jobs Added	Past 12 Months	53,400	2.0 million
	Since Feb. 2010	204,200	15.6 million
Unemployment Rate	November 2016	4.7%	4.6%
	November 2015	4.4%	5.0%
	Recession-Era Peak	9.8%	10.0%
Median Household Income (2015 \$)*	2015	\$50,200	\$55,800
	2014	\$48,400	\$53,700
Poverty Rate*	2015	14.8%	14.7%
	2014	15.5%	15.5%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	4.8%	4.6%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	7.3%	5.8%
Percentage Without Health Insurance*	2015	9.8%	9.4%
	2013	13.0%	14.5%

STATE GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT

- Real gross domestic product (GDP) in Missouri grew by 1.7 percent over the four quarters through the second quarter of 2016, above the national average growth rate of 1.2 percent.**
- Since the official end of the Great Recession in the second quarter of 2009, Missouri GDP growth has averaged 1.0 percent at an annual rate, compared with a national average of 1.9 percent.

HOUSING

- Home prices in Missouri increased by 5.7 percent from the third quarter of 2015 to the third quarter of 2016. They are up 23.1 percent since their recent low in the second quarter of 2011.
- In October 2016, builders in Missouri broke ground on 21,130 new housing units (seasonally adjusted annual rate), bringing the average over the past 12 months to 19,029 units. That marks an increase of 30.2 percent from the average over the prior 12 months.

EXPORTS

- In Missouri, goods exports totaled \$1.1 billion in October and \$14.2 billion over the past year, up 5.1 percent from the 12 months ending in October 2015 (inflation-adjusted).
- Exports over the past 12 months are up 45.2 percent from their level in 2009 (inflation-adjusted).

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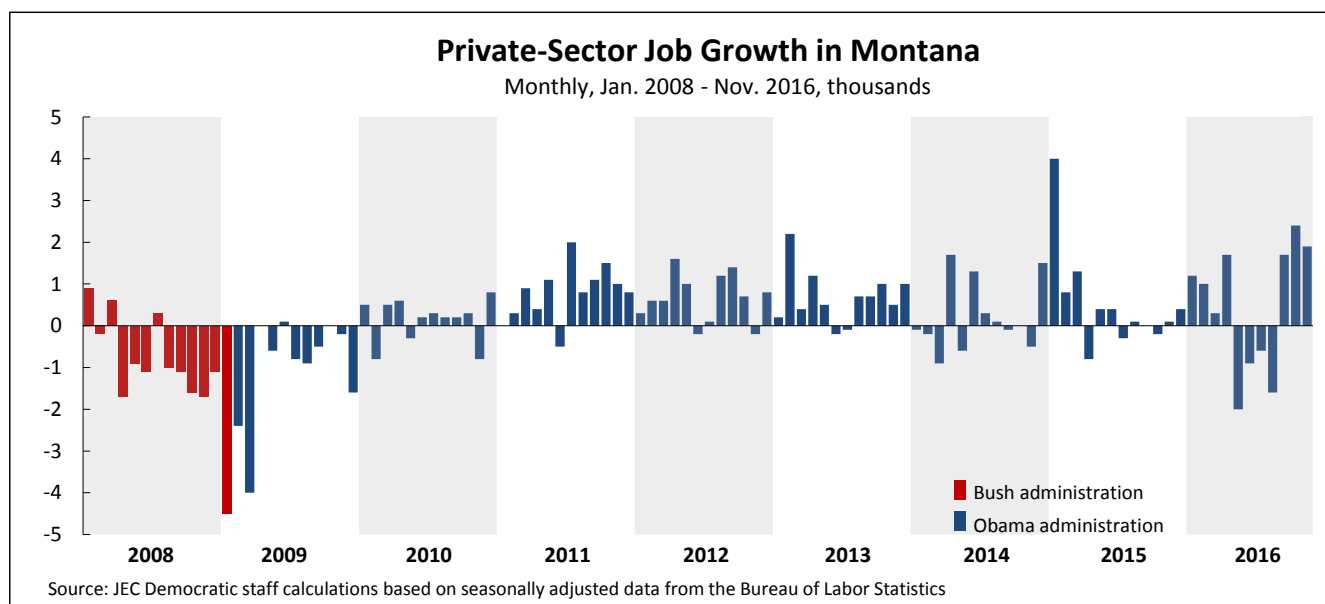
ECONOMIC SNAPSHOT: MONTANA

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JOBS

- In November, private-sector employment in Montana grew by 1,900 jobs. Over the past year, Montana businesses have added 5,500 jobs. This compares with an increase of 7,300 jobs over the 12 months through November 2015.
- Since February 2010, the national low point for private-sector employment, Montana businesses have added 41,200 jobs (an increase of 12.3 percent). Nationally, private payrolls have increased by 14.6 percent over this time.
- The state sectors with the greatest job gains in percentage terms since February 2010 are: construction at 19.6 percent (4,400 jobs), education and health services at 17.8 percent (11,200 jobs) and manufacturing at 17.4 percent (2,900 jobs).



UNEMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Montana was 4.0 percent in November 2016, down 0.3 percentage point from October. The rate was 0.6 percentage point below the national rate of 4.6 percent.
- Unemployment is down 0.1 percentage point from one year earlier and is 3.4 percentage points below its recent peak of 7.4 percent in April 2010.
- There were 21,200 Montana residents unemployed in November 2016.

EARNINGS

- In November 2016, average hourly earnings of private-sector workers in Montana were \$22.70. The average workweek was 32.5 hours, and average weekly earnings were \$737.75.
- Adjusting for inflation, state average hourly earnings have fallen by 1.5 percent over the past year. Nationally, real average hourly earnings have increased by 0.1 percent (not seasonally adjusted).

STATE QUICK FACTS

		Montana	United States
Private-Sector Jobs Added	Past 12 Months	5,500	2.0 million
	Since Feb. 2010	41,200	15.6 million
Unemployment Rate	November 2016	4.0%	4.6%
	November 2015	4.1%	5.0%
	Recession-Era Peak	7.4%	10.0%
Median Household Income (2015 \$)*	2015	\$49,500	\$55,800
	2014	\$46,400	\$53,700
Poverty Rate*	2015	14.6%	14.7%
	2014	15.4%	15.5%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	5.2%	4.6%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	3.8%	5.8%
Percentage Without Health Insurance*	2015	11.6%	9.4%
	2013	16.5%	14.5%

STATE GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT

- Real gross domestic product (GDP) in Montana fell by 0.2 percent over the four quarters through the second quarter of 2016, below the national average growth rate of 1.2 percent.**
- Since the official end of the Great Recession in the second quarter of 2009, Montana GDP growth has averaged 1.8 percent at an annual rate, compared with a national average of 1.9 percent.

HOUSING

- Home prices in Montana increased by 4.6 percent from the third quarter of 2015 to the third quarter of 2016. They are up 27.9 percent since their recent low in the first quarter of 2011.
- In October 2016, builders in Montana broke ground on 5,640 new housing units (seasonally adjusted annual rate), bringing the average over the past 12 months to 3,853 units. That marks an increase of 3.5 percent from the average over the prior 12 months.

EXPORTS

- In Montana, goods exports totaled \$125 million in October and \$1.3 billion over the past year, down 4.7 percent from the 12 months ending in October 2015 (inflation-adjusted).
- Exports over the past 12 months are up 23.0 percent from their level in 2009 (inflation-adjusted).

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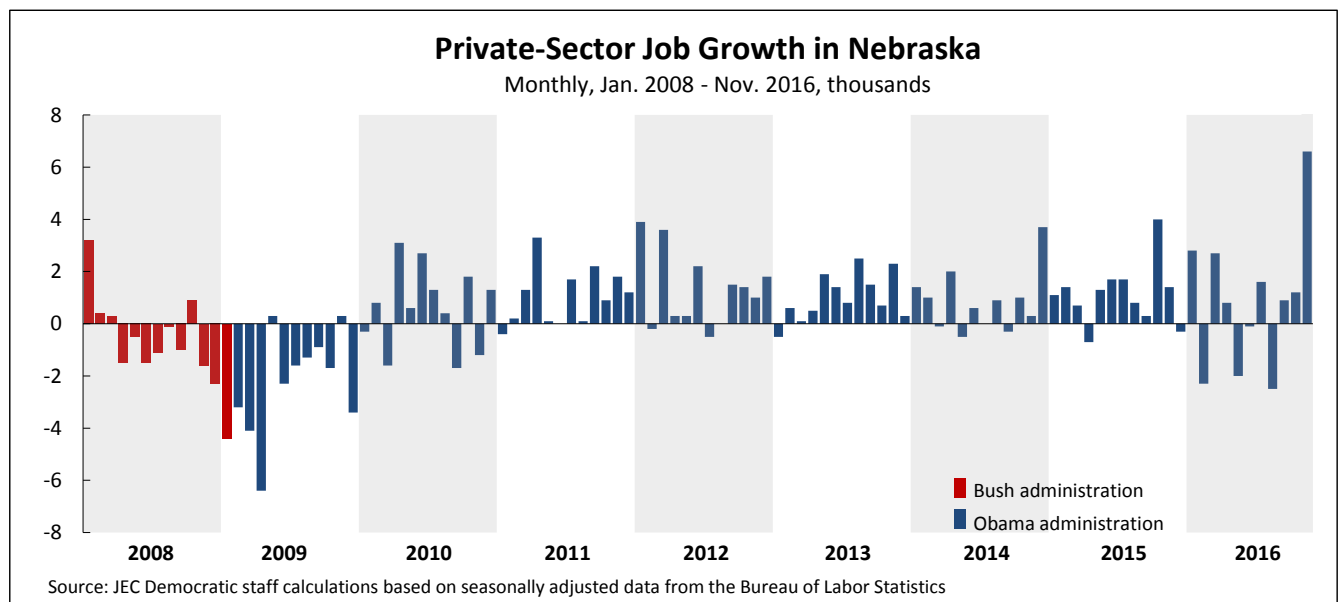
ECONOMIC SNAPSHOT: NEBRASKA

Includes Bureau of Labor Statistics jobs, unemployment and earnings data through November 2016

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JOBS

- In November, private-sector employment in Nebraska grew by 6,600 jobs. Over the past year, Nebraska businesses have added 9,400 jobs. This compares with an increase of 17,400 jobs over the 12 months through November 2015.
- Since February 2010, the national low point for private-sector employment, Nebraska businesses have added 79,600 jobs (an increase of 10.3 percent). Nationally, private payrolls have increased by 14.6 percent over this time.
- The state sectors with the greatest job gains in percentage terms since February 2010 are: professional and business services at 23.5 percent (23,400 jobs), logging, mining and construction at 15.6 percent (6,800 jobs) and leisure and hospitality at 12.9 percent (10,300 jobs).



UNEMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Nebraska was 3.4 percent in November 2016, up 0.1 percentage point from October. The rate was 1.2 percentage points below the national rate of 4.6 percent.
- Unemployment is up 0.4 percentage point from one year earlier but remains 1.4 percentage points below its recent peak of 4.8 percent in March 2010.
- There were 34,300 Nebraska residents unemployed in November 2016.

EARNINGS

- In November 2016, average hourly earnings of private-sector workers in Nebraska were \$23.06. The average workweek was 33.9 hours, and average weekly earnings were \$781.73.
- Adjusting for inflation, state average hourly earnings have risen by 0.1 percent over the past year, as have real average hourly earnings nationally (not seasonally adjusted).

STATE QUICK FACTS

		Nebraska	United States
Private-Sector Jobs Added	Past 12 Months	9,400	2.0 million
	Since Feb. 2010	79,600	15.6 million
Unemployment Rate	November 2016	3.4%	4.6%
	November 2015	3.0%	5.0%
	Recession-Era Peak	4.8%	10.0%
Median Household Income (2015 \$)*	2015	\$55,000	\$55,800
	2014	\$52,700	\$53,700
Poverty Rate*	2015	12.6%	14.7%
	2014	12.4%	15.5%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	3.4%	4.6%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	3.8%	5.8%
Percentage Without Health Insurance*	2015	8.2%	9.4%
	2013	11.3%	14.5%

STATE GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT

- Real gross domestic product (GDP) in Nebraska grew by 1.3 percent over the four quarters through the second quarter of 2016, above the national average growth rate of 1.2 percent.**
- Since the official end of the Great Recession in the second quarter of 2009, Nebraska GDP growth has averaged 2.4 percent at an annual rate, compared with a national average of 1.9 percent.

HOUSING

- Home prices in Nebraska increased by 5.3 percent from the third quarter of 2015 to the third quarter of 2016. They are up 26.1 percent since their recent low in the fourth quarter of 2010.
- In October 2016, builders in Nebraska broke ground on 9,380 new housing units (seasonally adjusted annual rate), bringing the average over the past 12 months to 8,140 units. That marks an increase of 17.2 percent from the average over the prior 12 months.

EXPORTS

- In Nebraska, goods exports totaled \$599 million in October and \$6.3 billion over the past year, down 3.2 percent from the 12 months ending in October 2015 (inflation-adjusted).
- Exports over the past 12 months are up 26.7 percent from their level in 2009 (inflation-adjusted).

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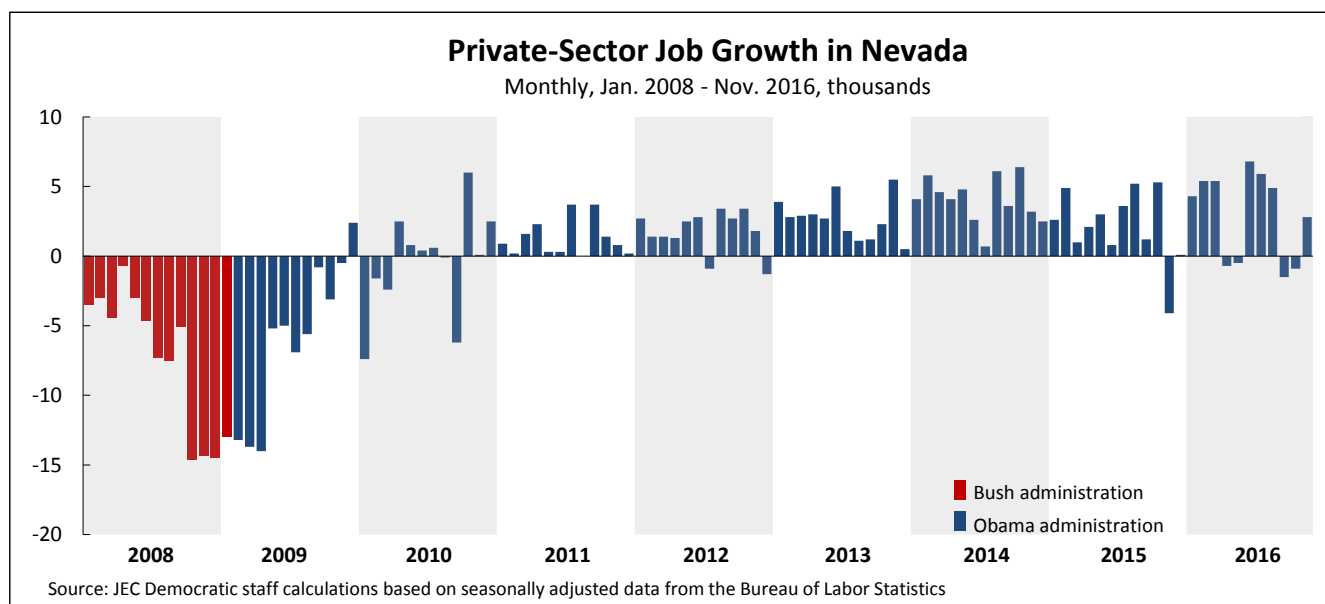
ECONOMIC SNAPSHOT: NEVADA

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JOBS

- In November, private-sector employment in Nevada grew by 2,800 jobs. Over the past year, Nevada businesses have added 32,000 jobs. This compares with an increase of 28,100 jobs over the 12 months through November 2015.
- Since February 2010, the national low point for private-sector employment, Nevada businesses have added 179,600 jobs (an increase of 18.6 percent). Nationally, private payrolls have increased by 14.6 percent over this time.
- The state sectors with the greatest job gains in percentage terms since February 2010 are: construction at 30.0 percent (18,500 jobs), professional and business services at 28.4 percent (38,000 jobs) and education and health services at 28.3 percent (28,400 jobs).



UNEMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Nevada was 5.2 percent in November 2016, down 0.3 percentage point from October. The rate was 0.6 percentage point above the national rate of 4.6 percent.
- Unemployment is down 1.2 percentage points from one year earlier and is 8.5 percentage points below its recent peak of 13.7 percent in November 2010.
- There were 74,800 Nevada residents unemployed in November 2016.

EARNINGS

- In November 2016, average hourly earnings of private-sector workers in Nevada were \$22.45. The average workweek was 33.5 hours, and average weekly earnings were \$752.08.
- Adjusting for inflation, state average hourly earnings have fallen by 0.7 percent over the past year. Nationally, real average hourly earnings have increased by 0.1 percent (not seasonally adjusted).

STATE QUICK FACTS

		Nevada	United States
Private-Sector Jobs Added	Past 12 Months	32,000	2.0 million
	Since Feb. 2010	179,600	15.6 million
Unemployment Rate	November 2016	5.2%	4.6%
	November 2015	6.4%	5.0%
	Recession-Era Peak	13.7%	10.0%
Median Household Income (2015 \$)*	2015	\$52,400	\$55,800
	2014	\$51,500	\$53,700
Poverty Rate*	2015	14.7%	14.7%
	2014	15.2%	15.5%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	5.8%	4.6%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	7.7%	5.8%
Percentage Without Health Insurance*	2015	12.3%	9.4%
	2013	20.7%	14.5%

STATE GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT

- Real gross domestic product (GDP) in Nevada grew by 1.4 percent over the four quarters through the second quarter of 2016, above the national average growth rate of 1.2 percent.**
- Since the official end of the Great Recession in the second quarter of 2009, Nevada GDP growth has averaged 0.7 percent at an annual rate, compared with a national average of 1.9 percent.

HOUSING

- Home prices in Nevada increased by 7.8 percent from the third quarter of 2015 to the third quarter of 2016. They are up 86.4 percent since their recent low in the fourth quarter of 2011.
- In October 2016, builders in Nevada broke ground on 13,830 new housing units (seasonally adjusted annual rate), bringing the average over the past 12 months to 16,028 units. That marks an increase of 19.0 percent from the average over the prior 12 months.

EXPORTS

- In Nevada, goods exports totaled \$933 million in October and \$9.4 billion over the past year, up 16.4 percent from the 12 months ending in October 2015 (inflation-adjusted).
- Exports over the past 12 months are up 61.4 percent from their level in 2009 (inflation-adjusted).

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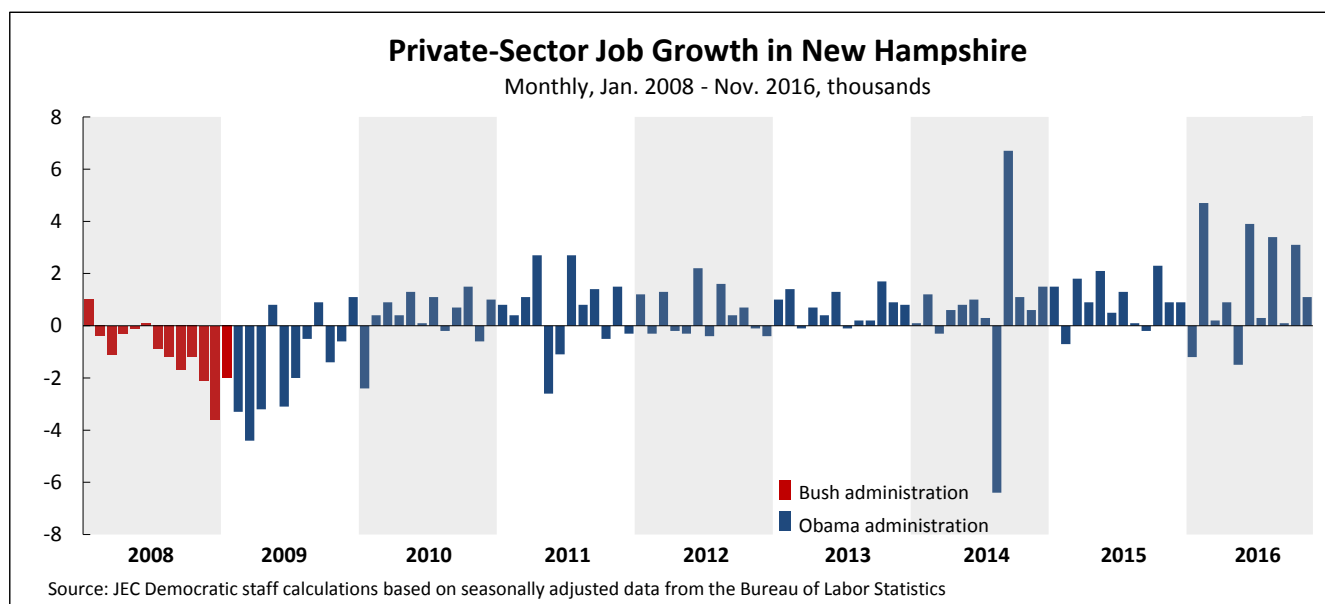
ECONOMIC SNAPSHOT: NEW HAMPSHIRE

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JOBS

- In November, private-sector employment in New Hampshire grew by 1,100 jobs. Over the past year, New Hampshire businesses have added 15,900 jobs. This compares with an increase of 12,000 jobs over the 12 months through November 2015.
- Since February 2010, the national low point for private-sector employment, New Hampshire businesses have added 60,800 jobs (an increase of 11.6 percent). Nationally, private payrolls have increased by 14.6 percent over this time.
- The state sectors with the greatest job gains in percentage terms since February 2010 are: professional and business services at 25.7 percent (16,200 jobs), other services at 23.5 percent (5,200 jobs) and construction at 21.2 percent (4,500 jobs).



UNEMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in New Hampshire was 2.7 percent in November 2016, down 0.1 percentage point from October. The rate was 1.9 percentage points below the national rate of 4.6 percent.
- Unemployment is down 0.4 percentage point from one year earlier and is 3.9 percentage points below its recent peak of 6.6 percent in July 2009.
- There were 20,100 New Hampshire residents unemployed in November 2016.

EARNINGS

- In November 2016, average hourly earnings of private-sector workers in New Hampshire were \$26.10. The average workweek was 34.1 hours, and average weekly earnings were \$890.01.
- Adjusting for inflation, state average hourly earnings have risen by 0.8 percent over the past year. Nationally, real average hourly earnings have increased by 0.1 percent (not seasonally adjusted).

STATE QUICK FACTS

		New Hampshire	United States
Private-Sector Jobs Added	Past 12 Months	15,900	2.0 million
	Since Feb. 2010	60,800	15.6 million
Unemployment Rate	November 2016	2.7%	4.6%
	November 2015	3.1%	5.0%
	Recession-Era Peak	6.6%	10.0%
Median Household Income (2015 \$)*	2015	\$70,300	\$55,800
	2014	\$66,600	\$53,700
Poverty Rate*	2015	8.2%	14.7%
	2014	9.2%	15.5%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	3.7%	4.6%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	4.1%	5.8%
Percentage Without Health Insurance*	2015	6.3%	9.4%
	2013	10.7%	14.5%

STATE GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT

- Real gross domestic product (GDP) in New Hampshire grew by 3.1 percent over the four quarters through the second quarter of 2016, above the national average growth rate of 1.2 percent.**
- Since the official end of the Great Recession in the second quarter of 2009, New Hampshire GDP growth has averaged 1.7 percent at an annual rate, compared with a national average of 1.9 percent.

HOUSING

- Home prices in New Hampshire increased by 3.5 percent from the third quarter of 2015 to the third quarter of 2016. They are up 19.9 percent since their recent low in the first quarter of 2012.
- In October 2016, builders in New Hampshire broke ground on 6,170 new housing units (seasonally adjusted annual rate), bringing the average over the past 12 months to 3,701 units. That marks an increase of 32.9 percent from the average over the prior 12 months.

EXPORTS

- In New Hampshire, goods exports totaled \$438 million in October and \$4.1 billion over the past year, up 2.8 percent from the 12 months ending in October 2015 (inflation-adjusted).
- Exports over the past 12 months are up 29.6 percent from their level in 2009 (inflation-adjusted).

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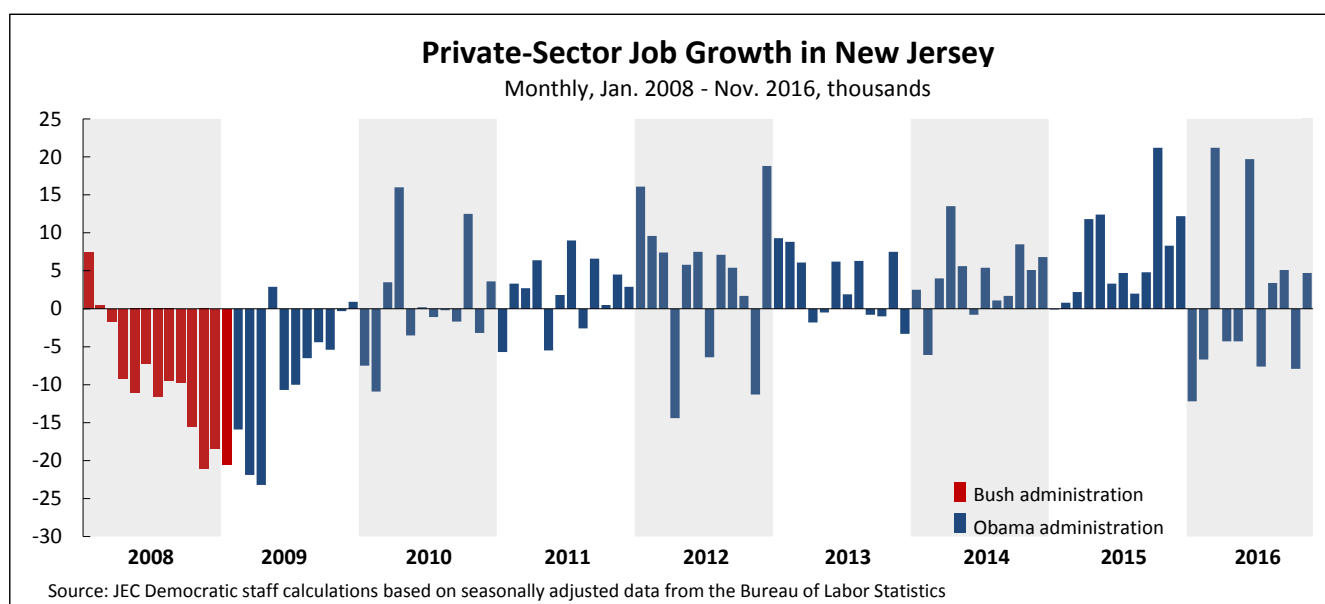
ECONOMIC SNAPSHOT: NEW JERSEY

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JOBS

- In November, private-sector employment in New Jersey grew by 4,700 jobs. Over the past year, New Jersey businesses have added 23,300 jobs. This compares with an increase of 78,200 jobs over the 12 months through November 2015.
- Since February 2010, the national low point for private-sector employment, New Jersey businesses have added 278,000 jobs (an increase of 8.7 percent). Nationally, private payrolls have increased by 14.6 percent over this time.
- The state sectors with the greatest job gains in percentage terms since February 2010 are: construction at 17.1 percent (22,400 jobs), professional and business services at 14.7 percent (86,200 jobs) and education and health services at 12.7 percent (76,000 jobs).



UNEMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in New Jersey was 5.0 percent in November 2016, down 0.3 percentage point from October. The rate was 0.4 percentage point above the national rate of 4.6 percent.
- Unemployment is up 0.1 percentage point from one year earlier but remains 4.8 percentage points below its recent peak of 9.8 percent in January 2010.
- There were 226,300 New Jersey residents unemployed in November 2016.

EARNINGS

- In November 2016, average hourly earnings of private-sector workers in New Jersey were \$28.60. The average workweek was 34.7 hours, and average weekly earnings were \$992.42.
- Adjusting for inflation, state average hourly earnings have held roughly constant over the past year. Nationally, real average hourly earnings have increased by 0.1 percent (not seasonally adjusted).

STATE QUICK FACTS

		New Jersey	United States
Private-Sector Jobs Added	Past 12 Months	23,300	2.0 million
	Since Feb. 2010	278,000	15.6 million
Unemployment Rate	November 2016	5.0%	4.6%
	November 2015	4.9%	5.0%
	Recession-Era Peak	9.8%	10.0%
Median Household Income (2015 \$)*	2015	\$72,200	\$55,800
	2014	\$72,000	\$53,700
Poverty Rate*	2015	10.8%	14.7%
	2014	11.1%	15.5%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	5.4%	4.6%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	1.4%	5.8%
Percentage Without Health Insurance*	2015	8.7%	9.4%
	2013	13.2%	14.5%

STATE GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT

- Real gross domestic product (GDP) in New Jersey grew by 0.3 percent over the four quarters through the second quarter of 2016, below the national average growth rate of 1.2 percent.**
- Since the official end of the Great Recession in the second quarter of 2009, New Jersey GDP growth has averaged 1.0 percent at an annual rate, compared with a national average of 1.9 percent.

HOUSING

- Home prices in New Jersey increased by 2.8 percent from the third quarter of 2015 to the third quarter of 2016. They are up 11.2 percent since their recent low in the first quarter of 2012.
- In October 2016, builders in New Jersey broke ground on 25,140 new housing units (seasonally adjusted annual rate), bringing the average over the past 12 months to 27,440 units. That marks a decrease of 0.1 percent from the average over the prior 12 months.

EXPORTS

- In New Jersey, goods exports totaled \$2.7 billion in October and \$31.5 billion over the past year, down 1.1 percent from the 12 months ending in October 2015 (inflation-adjusted).
- Exports over the past 12 months are up 12.3 percent from their level in 2009 (inflation-adjusted).

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***** For additional New Jersey-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the New Jersey office: http://wd.dol.state.nj.us/labor/lpa/LMI_index.html



ECONOMIC SNAPSHOT: NEW MEXICO

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JOBS

- In November, private-sector employment in New Mexico grew by 3,500 jobs. Over the past year, New Mexico businesses have shed 1,300 jobs. This compares with an increase of 3,000 jobs over the 12 months through November 2015.
- Since February 2010, the national low point for private-sector employment, New Mexico businesses have added 34,000 jobs (an increase of 5.6 percent). Nationally, private payrolls have increased by 14.6 percent over this time.
- The state sectors with the greatest job gains in percentage terms since February 2010 are: education and health services at 18.6 percent (22,100 jobs), leisure and hospitality at 15.3 percent (12,800 jobs) and other services at 3.5 percent (1,000 jobs).



UNEMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in New Mexico was 6.7 percent in November 2016, holding constant from October. The rate was 2.1 percentage points above the national rate of 4.6 percent.
- Unemployment is up 0.1 percentage point from one year earlier but remains 1.6 percentage points below its recent peak of 8.3 percent in July 2010.
- There were 61,900 New Mexico residents unemployed in November 2016.

EARNINGS

- In November 2016, average hourly earnings of private-sector workers in New Mexico were \$20.75. The average workweek was 33.4 hours, and average weekly earnings were \$693.05.
- Adjusting for inflation, state average hourly earnings have fallen by 0.8 percent over the past year. Nationally, real average hourly earnings have increased by 0.1 percent (not seasonally adjusted).

STATE QUICK FACTS

		New Mexico	United States
Private-Sector Jobs Added	Past 12 Months	-1,300	2.0 million
	Since Feb. 2010	34,000	15.6 million
Unemployment Rate	November 2016	6.7%	4.6%
	November 2015	6.6%	5.0%
	Recession-Era Peak	8.3%	10.0%
Median Household Income (2015 \$)*	2015	\$45,400	\$55,800
	2014	\$44,800	\$53,700
Poverty Rate*	2015	20.4%	14.7%
	2014	21.3%	15.5%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	5.5%	4.6%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	6.7%	5.8%
Percentage Without Health Insurance*	2015	10.9%	9.4%
	2013	18.6%	14.5%

STATE GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT

- Real gross domestic product (GDP) in New Mexico fell by 1.5 percent over the four quarters through the second quarter of 2016, below the national average growth rate of 1.2 percent.**
- Since the official end of the Great Recession in the second quarter of 2009, New Mexico GDP growth has averaged 0.5 percent at an annual rate, compared with a national average of 1.9 percent.

HOUSING

- Home prices in New Mexico increased by 0.8 percent from the third quarter of 2015 to the third quarter of 2016. They are up 10.8 percent since their recent low in the second quarter of 2011.
- In October 2016, builders in New Mexico broke ground on 4,160 new housing units (seasonally adjusted annual rate), bringing the average over the past 12 months to 4,389 units. That marks an increase of 0.4 percent from the average over the prior 12 months.

EXPORTS

- In New Mexico, goods exports totaled \$254 million in October and \$3.5 billion over the past year, down 5.1 percent from the 12 months ending in October 2015 (inflation-adjusted).
- Exports over the past 12 months are up 166.0 percent from their level in 2009 (inflation-adjusted).

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***** For additional New Mexico-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the New Mexico office:

<http://www.dws.state.nm.us/LaborMarketInformation/DataandStatistics/EconomicData>



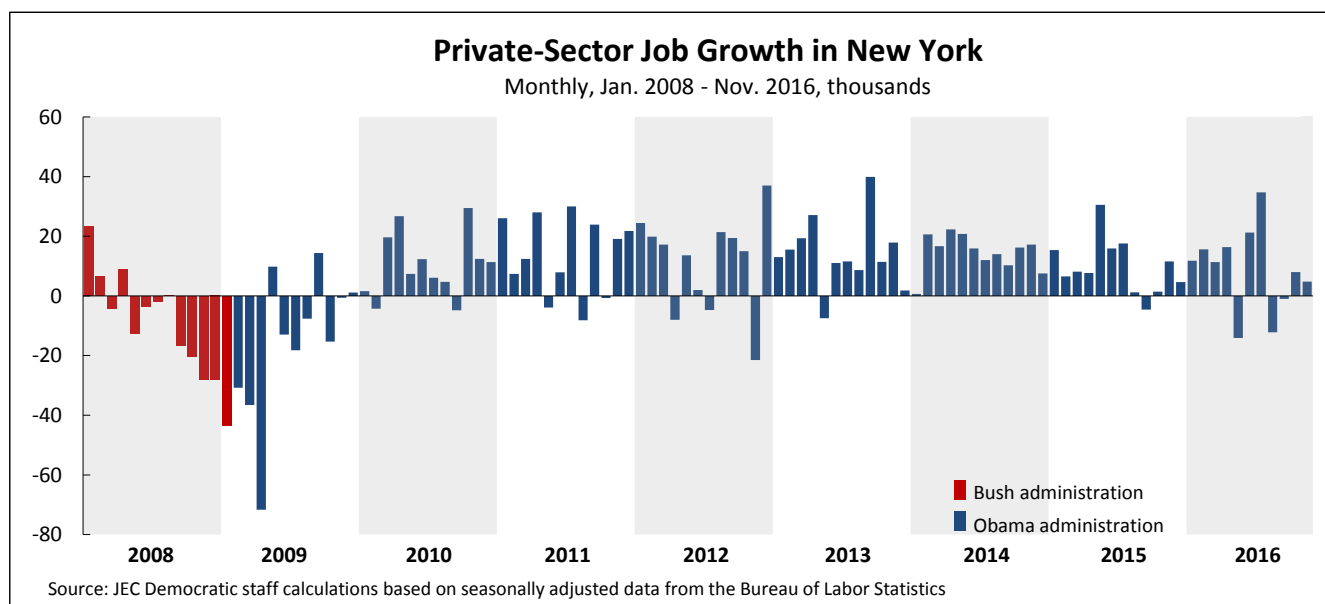
ECONOMIC SNAPSHOT: NEW YORK

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JOBS

- In November, private-sector employment in New York grew by 4,800 jobs. Over the past year, New York businesses have added 101,100 jobs. This compares with an increase of 118,800 jobs over the 12 months through November 2015.
- Since February 2010, the national low point for private-sector employment, New York businesses have added 980,900 jobs (an increase of 14.1 percent). Nationally, private payrolls have increased by 14.6 percent over this time.
- The state sectors with the greatest job gains in percentage terms since February 2010 are: leisure and hospitality at 26.7 percent (193,100 jobs), construction at 19.1 percent (58,400 jobs) and professional and business services at 18.2 percent (197,900 jobs).



UNEMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in New York was 5.1 percent in November 2016, down 0.1 percentage point from October. The rate was 0.5 percentage point above the national rate of 4.6 percent.
- Unemployment is up 0.2 percentage point from one year earlier but remains 3.8 percentage points below its recent peak of 8.9 percent in December 2009.
- There were 491,000 New York residents unemployed in November 2016.

EARNINGS

- In November 2016, average hourly earnings of private-sector workers in New York were \$29.29. The average workweek was 33.5 hours, and average weekly earnings were \$981.22.
- Adjusting for inflation, state average hourly earnings have fallen by 1.5 percent over the past year. Nationally, real average hourly earnings have increased by 0.1 percent (not seasonally adjusted).

STATE QUICK FACTS

		New York	United States
Private-Sector Jobs Added	Past 12 Months	101,100	2.0 million
	Since Feb. 2010	980,900	15.6 million
Unemployment Rate	November 2016	5.1%	4.6%
	November 2015	4.9%	5.0%
	Recession-Era Peak	8.9%	10.0%
Median Household Income (2015 \$)*	2015	\$60,900	\$55,800
	2014	\$58,900	\$53,700
Poverty Rate*	2015	15.4%	14.7%
	2014	15.9%	15.5%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	3.7%	4.6%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	5.2%	5.8%
Percentage Without Health Insurance*	2015	7.1%	9.4%
	2013	10.7%	14.5%

STATE GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT

- Real gross domestic product (GDP) in New York grew by 0.9 percent over the four quarters through the second quarter of 2016, below the national average growth rate of 1.2 percent.**
- Since the official end of the Great Recession in the second quarter of 2009, New York GDP growth has averaged 1.4 percent at an annual rate, compared with a national average of 1.9 percent.

HOUSING

- Home prices in New York increased by 2.7 percent from the third quarter of 2015 to the third quarter of 2016. They are up 12.3 percent since their recent low in the fourth quarter of 2011.
- In October 2016, builders in New York broke ground on 41,670 new housing units (seasonally adjusted annual rate), bringing the average over the past 12 months to 39,473 units. That marks a decrease of 27.1 percent from the average over the prior 12 months.

EXPORTS

- In New York, goods exports totaled \$6.4 billion in October and \$74.4 billion over the past year, down 5.6 percent from the 12 months ending in October 2015 (inflation-adjusted).
- Exports over the past 12 months are up 26.2 percent from their level in 2009 (inflation-adjusted).

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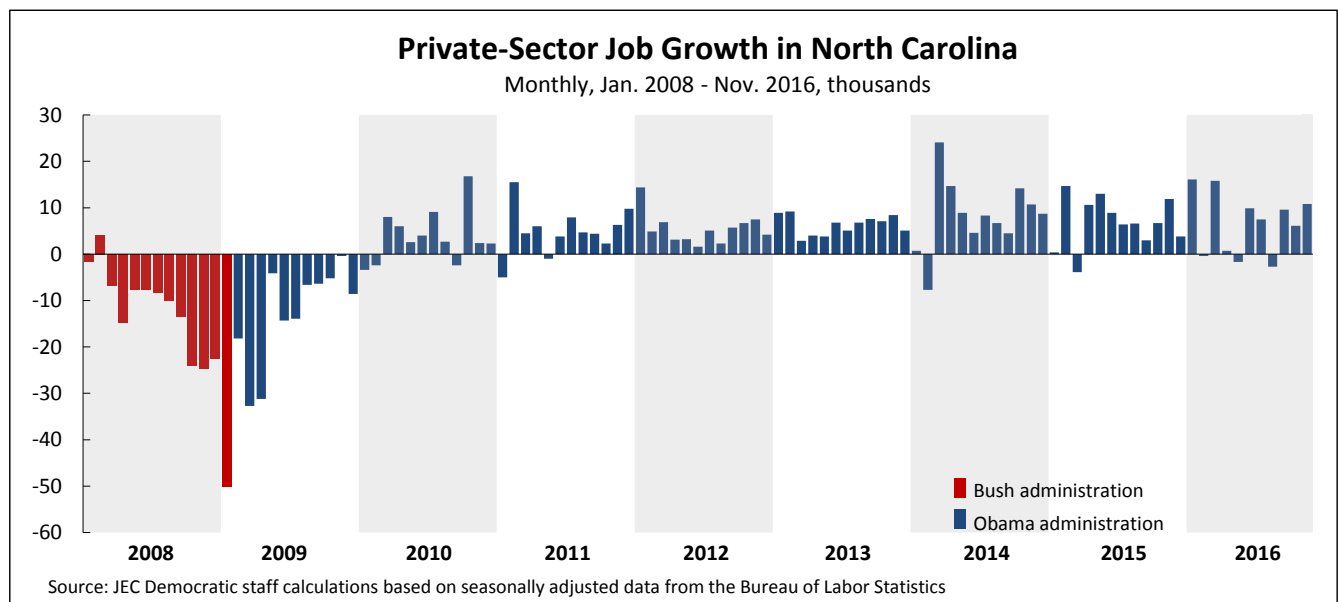
ECONOMIC SNAPSHOT: NORTH CAROLINA

Includes Bureau of Labor Statistics jobs, unemployment and earnings data through November 2016

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JOBS

- In November, private-sector employment in North Carolina grew by 10,800 jobs. Over the past year, North Carolina businesses have added 75,500 jobs. This compares with an increase of 87,000 jobs over the 12 months through November 2015.
- Since February 2010, the national low point for private-sector employment, North Carolina businesses have added 504,200 jobs (an increase of 16.1 percent). Nationally, private payrolls have increased by 14.6 percent over this time.
- The state sectors with the greatest job gains in percentage terms since February 2010 are: professional and business services at 33.0 percent (156,000 jobs), leisure and hospitality at 21.6 percent (83,700 jobs) and trade, transportation and utilities at 16.1 percent (114,500 jobs).



UNEMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in North Carolina was 5.0 percent in November 2016, up 0.1 percentage point from October. The rate was 0.4 percentage point above the national rate of 4.6 percent.
- Unemployment is down 0.6 percentage point from one year earlier and is 6.3 percentage points below its recent peak of 11.3 percent in March 2010.
- There were 243,000 North Carolina residents unemployed in November 2016.

EARNINGS

- In November 2016, average hourly earnings of private-sector workers in North Carolina were \$23.78. The average workweek was 34.4 hours, and average weekly earnings were \$818.03.
- Adjusting for inflation, state average hourly earnings have risen by 2.4 percent over the past year. Nationally, real average hourly earnings have increased by 0.1 percent (not seasonally adjusted).

STATE QUICK FACTS

		North Carolina	United States
Private-Sector Jobs Added	Past 12 Months	75,500	2.0 million
	Since Feb. 2010	504,200	15.6 million
Unemployment Rate	November 2016	5.0%	4.6%
	November 2015	5.6%	5.0%
	Recession-Era Peak	11.3%	10.0%
Median Household Income (2015 \$)*	2015	\$47,800	\$55,800
	2014	\$46,600	\$53,700
Poverty Rate*	2015	16.4%	14.7%
	2014	17.2%	15.5%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	3.2%	4.6%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	8.0%	5.8%
Percentage Without Health Insurance*	2015	11.2%	9.4%
	2013	15.6%	14.5%

STATE GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT

- Real gross domestic product (GDP) in North Carolina grew by 2.3 percent over the four quarters through the second quarter of 2016, above the national average growth rate of 1.2 percent.**
- Since the official end of the Great Recession in the second quarter of 2009, North Carolina GDP growth has averaged 1.3 percent at an annual rate, compared with a national average of 1.9 percent.

HOUSING

- Home prices in North Carolina increased by 6.3 percent from the third quarter of 2015 to the third quarter of 2016. They are up 25.0 percent since their recent low in the second quarter of 2011.
- In October 2016, builders in North Carolina broke ground on 63,490 new housing units (seasonally adjusted annual rate), bringing the average over the past 12 months to 56,311 units. That marks an increase of 11.8 percent from the average over the prior 12 months.

EXPORTS

- In North Carolina, goods exports totaled \$2.6 billion in October and \$29.8 billion over the past year, up 1.6 percent from the 12 months ending in October 2015 (inflation-adjusted).
- Exports over the past 12 months are up 33.1 percent from their level in 2009 (inflation-adjusted).

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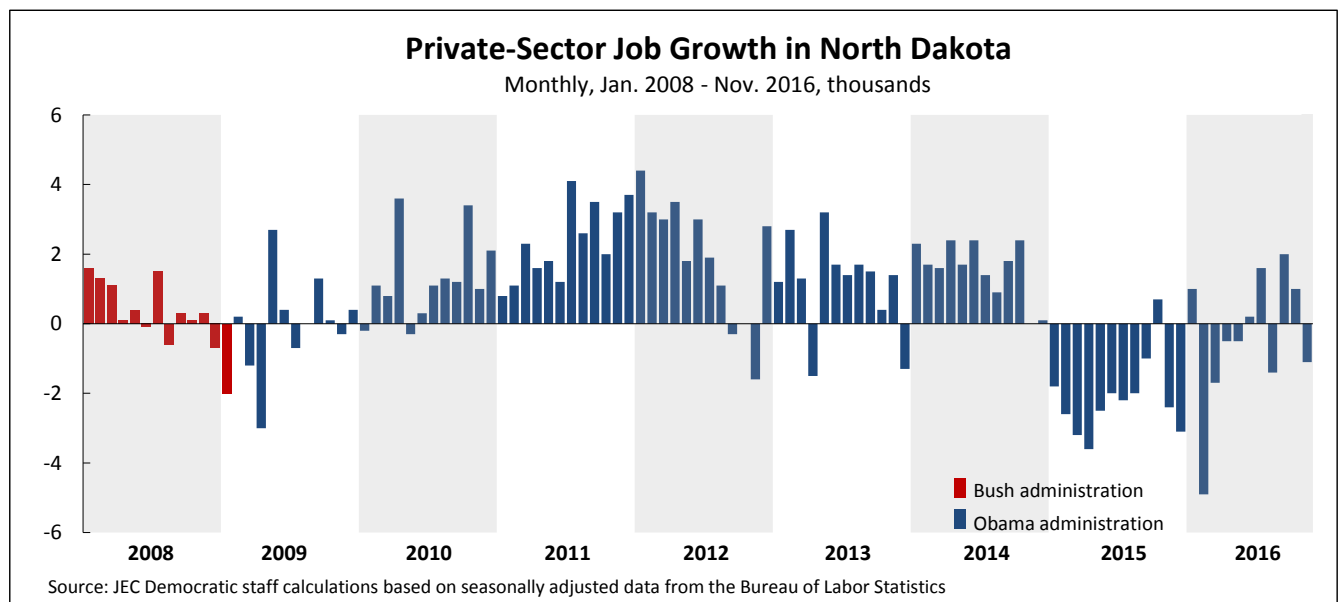
ECONOMIC SNAPSHOT: NORTH DAKOTA

Includes Bureau of Labor Statistics jobs, unemployment and earnings data through November 2016

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JOBS

- In November, private-sector employment in North Dakota fell by 1,100 jobs. Over the past year, North Dakota businesses have shed 7,400 jobs. This compares with a decrease of 22,500 jobs over the 12 months through November 2015.
- Since February 2010, the national low point for private-sector employment, North Dakota businesses have added 67,600 jobs (an increase of 23.3 percent). Nationally, private payrolls have increased by 14.6 percent over this time.
- The state sectors with the greatest job gains in percentage terms since February 2010 are: mining and logging at 102.4 percent (8,700 jobs), construction at 50.7 percent (10,800 jobs) and professional and business services at 28.8 percent (8,200 jobs).



UNEMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in North Dakota was 2.9 percent in November 2016, down 0.1 percentage point from October. The rate was 1.7 percentage points below the national rate of 4.6 percent.
- Unemployment is up 0.2 percentage point from one year earlier but remains 1.4 percentage points below its recent peak of 4.3 percent in May 2009.
- There were 12,700 North Dakota residents unemployed in November 2016.

EARNINGS

- In November 2016, average hourly earnings of private-sector workers in North Dakota were \$25.61. The average workweek was 34.1 hours, and average weekly earnings were \$873.30.
- Adjusting for inflation, state average hourly earnings have fallen by 1.4 percent over the past year. Nationally, real average hourly earnings have increased by 0.1 percent (not seasonally adjusted).

STATE QUICK FACTS

		North Dakota	United States
Private-Sector Jobs Added	Past 12 Months	-7,400	2.0 million
	Since Feb. 2010	67,600	15.6 million
Unemployment Rate	November 2016	2.9%	4.6%
	November 2015	2.7%	5.0%
	Recession-Era Peak	4.3%	10.0%
Median Household Income (2015 \$)*	2015	\$60,600	\$55,800
	2014	\$59,000	\$53,700
Poverty Rate*	2015	11.0%	14.7%
	2014	11.5%	15.5%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	2.8%	4.6%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	4.7%	5.8%
Percentage Without Health Insurance*	2015	7.8%	9.4%
	2013	10.4%	14.5%

STATE GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT

- Real gross domestic product (GDP) in North Dakota fell by 8.4 percent over the four quarters through the second quarter of 2016, below the national average growth rate of 1.2 percent.**
- Since the official end of the Great Recession in the second quarter of 2009, North Dakota GDP growth has averaged 5.5 percent at an annual rate, compared with a national average of 1.9 percent.

HOUSING

- Home prices in North Dakota increased by 2.5 percent from the third quarter of 2015 to the third quarter of 2016. They are now 49.1 percent above their level in the fourth quarter of 2007.
- In October 2016, builders in North Dakota broke ground on 5,510 new housing units (seasonally adjusted annual rate), bringing the average over the past 12 months to 4,237 units. That marks a decrease of 36.8 percent from the average over the prior 12 months.

EXPORTS

- In North Dakota, goods exports totaled \$439 million in October and \$4.1 billion over the past year, down 1.4 percent from the 12 months ending in October 2015 (inflation-adjusted).
- Exports over the past 12 months are up 82.7 percent from their level in 2009 (inflation-adjusted).

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***** For additional North Dakota-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the North Dakota office:

<https://www.ndworkforceintelligence.com/analyzer/default.asp>



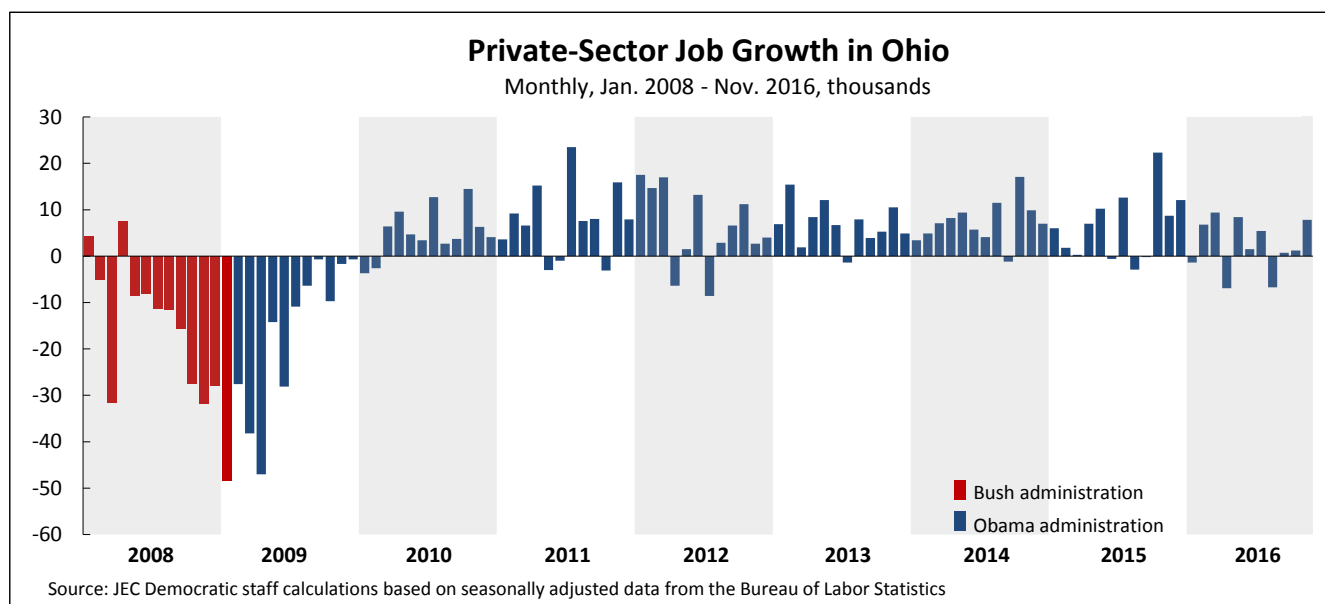
ECONOMIC SNAPSHOT: OHIO

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JOBS

- In November, private-sector employment in Ohio grew by 7,800 jobs. Over the past year, Ohio businesses have added 38,300 jobs. This compares with an increase of 72,200 jobs over the 12 months through November 2015.
- Since February 2010, the national low point for private-sector employment, Ohio businesses have added 507,900 jobs (an increase of 12.0 percent). Nationally, private payrolls have increased by 14.6 percent over this time.
- The state sectors with the greatest job gains in percentage terms since February 2010 are: construction at 25.1 percent (42,200 jobs), leisure and hospitality at 20.0 percent (94,600 jobs) and professional and business services at 16.1 percent (98,800 jobs).



UNEMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Ohio was 4.9 percent in November 2016, holding constant from October. The rate was 0.3 percentage point above the national rate of 4.6 percent.
- Unemployment is up 0.2 percentage point from one year earlier but remains 6.1 percentage points below its recent peak of 11.0 percent in January 2010.
- There were 278,200 Ohio residents unemployed in November 2016.

EARNINGS

- In November 2016, average hourly earnings of private-sector workers in Ohio were \$23.65. The average workweek was 34.3 hours, and average weekly earnings were \$811.20.
- Adjusting for inflation, state average hourly earnings have risen by 1.2 percent over the past year. Nationally, real average hourly earnings have increased by 0.1 percent (not seasonally adjusted).

STATE QUICK FACTS

		Ohio	United States
Private-Sector Jobs Added	Past 12 Months	38,300	2.0 million
	Since Feb. 2010	507,900	15.6 million
Unemployment Rate	November 2016	4.9%	4.6%
	November 2015	4.7%	5.0%
	Recession-Era Peak	11.0%	10.0%
Median Household Income (2015 \$)*	2015	\$51,100	\$55,800
	2014	\$49,300	\$53,700
Poverty Rate*	2015	14.8%	14.7%
	2014	15.8%	15.5%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	3.3%	4.6%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	4.0%	5.8%
Percentage Without Health Insurance*	2015	6.5%	9.4%
	2013	11.0%	14.5%

STATE GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT

- Real gross domestic product (GDP) in Ohio grew by 0.9 percent over the four quarters through the second quarter of 2016, below the national average growth rate of 1.2 percent.**
- Since the official end of the Great Recession in the second quarter of 2009, Ohio GDP growth has averaged 2.1 percent at an annual rate, compared with a national average of 1.9 percent.

HOUSING

- Home prices in Ohio increased by 5.6 percent from the third quarter of 2015 to the third quarter of 2016. They are up 23.5 percent since their recent low in the first quarter of 2011.
- In October 2016, builders in Ohio broke ground on 20,740 new housing units (seasonally adjusted annual rate), bringing the average over the past 12 months to 20,777 units. That marks an increase of 13.6 percent from the average over the prior 12 months.

EXPORTS

- In Ohio, goods exports totaled \$4.6 billion in October and \$49.8 billion over the past year, up 1.4 percent from the 12 months ending in October 2015 (inflation-adjusted).
- Exports over the past 12 months are up 42.0 percent from their level in 2009 (inflation-adjusted).

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***** For additional Ohio-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the Ohio office: <http://lmi.state.oh.us/data.htm>



ECONOMIC SNAPSHOT: OKLAHOMA

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JOBS

- In November, private-sector employment in Oklahoma fell by 5,600 jobs. Over the past year, Oklahoma businesses have shed 15,300 jobs. This compares with a decrease of 5,300 jobs over the 12 months through November 2015.
- Since February 2010, the national low point for private-sector employment, Oklahoma businesses have added 105,200 jobs (an increase of 8.8 percent). Nationally, private payrolls have increased by 14.6 percent over this time.
- The state sectors with the greatest job gains in percentage terms since February 2010 are: construction at 23.1 percent (15,000 jobs), leisure and hospitality at 20.7 percent (28,500 jobs) and trade, transportation and utilities at 11.1 percent (30,700 jobs).



UNEMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Oklahoma was 5.1 percent in November 2016, down 0.1 percentage point from October. The rate was 0.5 percentage point above the national rate of 4.6 percent.
- Unemployment is up 1.0 percentage point from one year earlier but remains 2.0 percentage points below its recent peak of 7.1 percent in March 2010.
- There were 93,100 Oklahoma residents unemployed in November 2016.

EARNINGS

- In November 2016, average hourly earnings of private-sector workers in Oklahoma were \$22.42. The average workweek was 34.9 hours, and average weekly earnings were \$782.46.
- Adjusting for inflation, state average hourly earnings have risen by 0.3 percent over the past year. Nationally, real average hourly earnings have increased by 0.1 percent (not seasonally adjusted).

STATE QUICK FACTS

		Oklahoma	United States
Private-Sector Jobs Added	Past 12 Months	-15,300	2.0 million
	Since Feb. 2010	105,200	15.6 million
Unemployment Rate	November 2016	5.1%	4.6%
	November 2015	4.1%	5.0%
	Recession-Era Peak	7.1%	10.0%
Median Household Income (2015 \$)*	2015	\$48,600	\$55,800
	2014	\$47,600	\$53,700
Poverty Rate*	2015	16.1%	14.7%
	2014	16.6%	15.5%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	3.2%	4.6%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	3.0%	5.8%
Percentage Without Health Insurance*	2015	13.9%	9.4%
	2013	17.7%	14.5%

STATE GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT

- Real gross domestic product (GDP) in Oklahoma fell by 2.7 percent over the four quarters through the second quarter of 2016, below the national average growth rate of 1.2 percent.**
- Since the official end of the Great Recession in the second quarter of 2009, Oklahoma GDP growth has averaged 2.6 percent at an annual rate, compared with a national average of 1.9 percent.

HOUSING

- Home prices in Oklahoma increased by 3.6 percent from the third quarter of 2015 to the third quarter of 2016. They are up 23.6 percent since their recent low in the first quarter of 2011.
- In October 2016, builders in Oklahoma broke ground on 12,300 new housing units (seasonally adjusted annual rate), bringing the average over the past 12 months to 13,018 units. That marks an increase of 4.5 percent from the average over the prior 12 months.

EXPORTS

- In Oklahoma, goods exports totaled \$408 million in October and \$5.0 billion over the past year, down 5.7 percent from the 12 months ending in October 2015 (inflation-adjusted).
- Exports over the past 12 months are up 9.4 percent from their level in 2009 (inflation-adjusted).

* Income, poverty and health insurance data are from the American Community Survey (ACS), regarded as the best source for state-level data. National-level ACS data are included to facilitate comparisons and differ from the more commonly cited national data from the Current Population Survey (CPS).

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**** A list of sources used to compile the Oklahoma economic snapshot is available at: <http://bit.ly/JEC-state-by-state-sources>

***** For additional Oklahoma-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the Oklahoma office:

http://www.ok.gov/oesc_web/Services/Find_Labor_Market_Statistics/



ECONOMIC SNAPSHOT: OREGON

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JOBS

- In November, private-sector employment in Oregon grew by 2,000 jobs. Over the past year, Oregon businesses have added 45,100 jobs. This compares with an increase of 54,400 jobs over the 12 months through November 2015.
- Since February 2010, the national low point for private-sector employment, Oregon businesses have added 252,100 jobs (an increase of 19.5 percent). Nationally, private payrolls have increased by 14.6 percent over this time.
- The state sectors with the greatest job gains in percentage terms since February 2010 are: professional and business services at 34.3 percent (63,600 jobs), construction at 33.0 percent (22,500 jobs) and leisure and hospitality at 22.7 percent (36,600 jobs).



UNEMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Oregon was 5.0 percent in November 2016, down 0.3 percentage point from October. The rate was 0.4 percentage point above the national rate of 4.6 percent.
- Unemployment is down 0.6 percentage point from one year earlier and is 6.9 percentage points below its recent peak of 11.9 percent in May 2009.
- There were 104,000 Oregon residents unemployed in November 2016.

EARNINGS

- In November 2016, average hourly earnings of private-sector workers in Oregon were \$25.24. The average workweek was 34.0 hours, and average weekly earnings were \$858.16.
- Adjusting for inflation, state average hourly earnings have risen by 3.4 percent over the past year. Nationally, real average hourly earnings have increased by 0.1 percent (not seasonally adjusted).

STATE QUICK FACTS

		Oregon	United States
Private-Sector Jobs Added	Past 12 Months	45,100	2.0 million
	Since Feb. 2010	252,100	15.6 million
Unemployment Rate	November 2016	5.0%	4.6%
	November 2015	5.6%	5.0%
	Recession-Era Peak	11.9%	10.0%
Median Household Income (2015 \$)*	2015	\$54,100	\$55,800
	2014	\$51,100	\$53,700
Poverty Rate*	2015	15.4%	14.7%
	2014	16.6%	15.5%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	5.6%	4.6%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	6.8%	5.8%
Percentage Without Health Insurance*	2015	7.0%	9.4%
	2013	14.7%	14.5%

STATE GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT

- Real gross domestic product (GDP) in Oregon grew by 4.6 percent over the four quarters through the second quarter of 2016, above the national average growth rate of 1.2 percent.**
- Since the official end of the Great Recession in the second quarter of 2009, Oregon GDP growth has averaged 2.2 percent at an annual rate, compared with a national average of 1.9 percent.

HOUSING

- Home prices in Oregon increased by 10.4 percent from the third quarter of 2015 to the third quarter of 2016. They are up 53.8 percent since their recent low in the second quarter of 2011.
- In October 2016, builders in Oregon broke ground on 20,260 new housing units (seasonally adjusted annual rate), bringing the average over the past 12 months to 18,061 units. That marks an increase of 16.6 percent from the average over the prior 12 months.

EXPORTS

- In Oregon, goods exports totaled \$2.0 billion in October and \$21.4 billion over the past year, up 9.3 percent from the 12 months ending in October 2015 (inflation-adjusted).
- Exports over the past 12 months are up 39.7 percent from their level in 2009 (inflation-adjusted).

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***** For additional Oregon-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the Oregon office: <http://www.qualityinfo.org/olmis/OlmisZine>



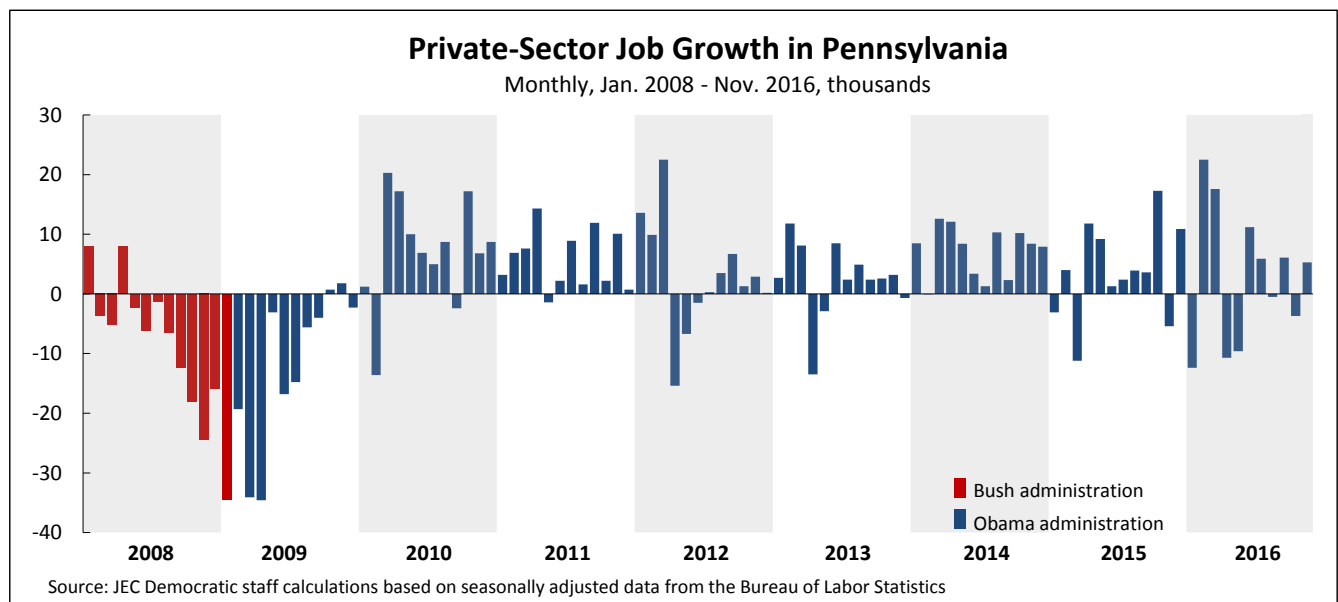
ECONOMIC SNAPSHOT: PENNSYLVANIA

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JOBS

- In November, private-sector employment in Pennsylvania grew by 5,300 jobs. Over the past year, Pennsylvania businesses have added 42,600 jobs. This compares with an increase of 41,700 jobs over the 12 months through November 2015.
- Since February 2010, the national low point for private-sector employment, Pennsylvania businesses have added 395,100 jobs (an increase of 8.2 percent). Nationally, private payrolls have increased by 14.6 percent over this time.
- The state sectors with the greatest job gains in percentage terms since February 2010 are: professional and business services at 17.1 percent (116,200 jobs), leisure and hospitality at 15.0 percent (73,400 jobs) and construction at 11.0 percent (23,100 jobs).



UNEMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Pennsylvania was 5.7 percent in November 2016, down 0.1 percentage point from October. The rate was 1.1 percentage points above the national rate of 4.6 percent.
- Unemployment is up 1.0 percentage point from one year earlier but remains 3.0 percentage points below its recent peak of 8.7 percent in April 2010.
- There were 373,100 Pennsylvania residents unemployed in November 2016.

EARNINGS

- In November 2016, average hourly earnings of private-sector workers in Pennsylvania were \$24.94. The average workweek was 33.9 hours, and average weekly earnings were \$845.47.
- Adjusting for inflation, state average hourly earnings have fallen by 0.1 percent over the past year. Nationally, real average hourly earnings have increased by 0.1 percent (not seasonally adjusted).

STATE QUICK FACTS

		Pennsylvania	United States
Private-Sector Jobs Added	Past 12 Months	42,600	2.0 million
	Since Feb. 2010	395,100	15.6 million
Unemployment Rate	November 2016	5.7%	4.6%
	November 2015	4.7%	5.0%
	Recession-Era Peak	8.7%	10.0%
Median Household Income (2015 \$)*	2015	\$55,700	\$55,800
	2014	\$53,300	\$53,700
Poverty Rate*	2015	13.2%	14.7%
	2014	13.6%	15.5%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	4.7%	4.6%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	2.9%	5.8%
Percentage Without Health Insurance*	2015	6.4%	9.4%
	2013	9.7%	14.5%

STATE GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT

- Real gross domestic product (GDP) in Pennsylvania grew by 0.1 percent over the four quarters through the second quarter of 2016, below the national average growth rate of 1.2 percent.**
- Since the official end of the Great Recession in the second quarter of 2009, Pennsylvania GDP growth has averaged 1.8 percent at an annual rate, compared with a national average of 1.9 percent.

HOUSING

- Home prices in Pennsylvania increased by 4.0 percent from the third quarter of 2015 to the third quarter of 2016. They are up 14.9 percent since their recent low in the fourth quarter of 2011.
- In October 2016, builders in Pennsylvania broke ground on 31,370 new housing units (seasonally adjusted annual rate), bringing the average over the past 12 months to 23,633 units. That marks an increase of 16.9 percent from the average over the prior 12 months.

EXPORTS

- In Pennsylvania, goods exports totaled \$3.4 billion in October and \$36.7 billion over the past year, down 4.1 percent from the 12 months ending in October 2015 (inflation-adjusted).
- Exports over the past 12 months are up 26.3 percent from their level in 2009 (inflation-adjusted).

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**** A list of sources used to compile the Pennsylvania economic snapshot is available at: <http://bit.ly/JEC-state-by-state-sources>

***** For additional Pennsylvania-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the Pennsylvania office:

<http://www.portal.state.pa.us/portal/server.pt?open=514&objID=1216762&mode=2>



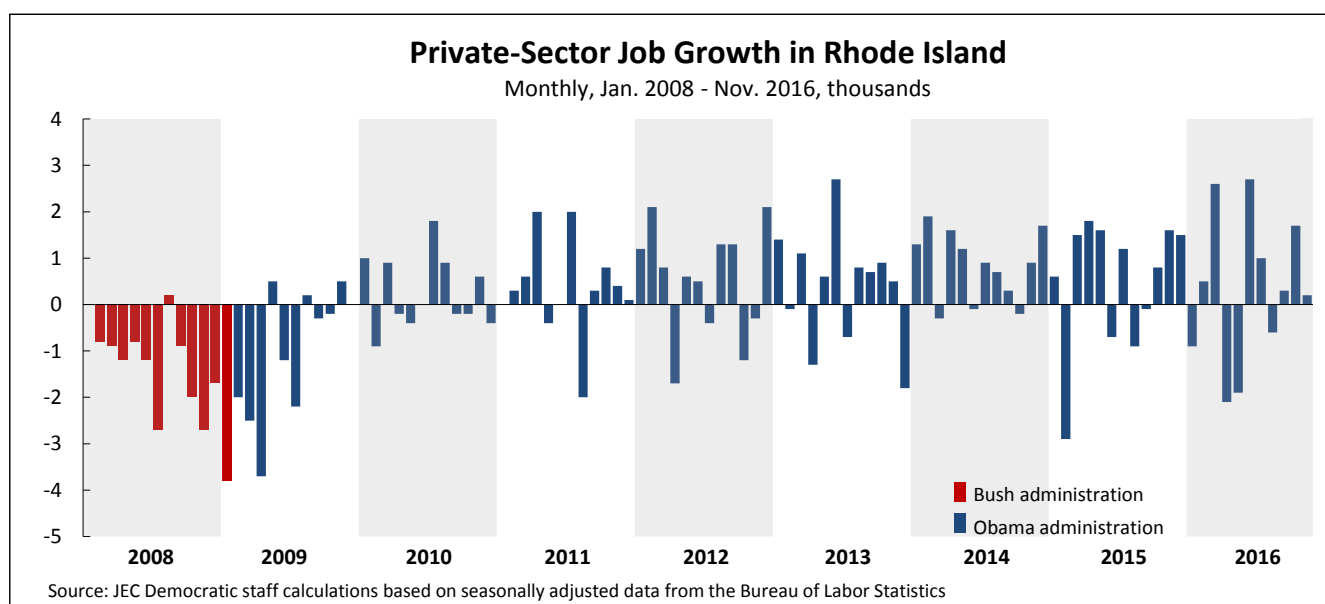
ECONOMIC SNAPSHOT: RHODE ISLAND

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JOBS

- In November, private-sector employment in Rhode Island grew by 200 jobs. Over the past year, Rhode Island businesses have added 5,000 jobs. This compares with an increase of 6,200 jobs over the 12 months through November 2015.
- Since February 2010, the national low point for private-sector employment, Rhode Island businesses have added 37,400 jobs (an increase of 9.5 percent). Nationally, private payrolls have increased by 14.6 percent over this time.
- The state sectors with the greatest job gains in percentage terms since February 2010 are: professional and business services at 25.7 percent (13,500 jobs), leisure and hospitality at 23.5 percent (11,500 jobs) and construction at 10.0 percent (1,600 jobs).



UNEMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Rhode Island was 5.3 percent in November 2016, down 0.2 percentage point from October. The rate was 0.7 percentage point above the national rate of 4.6 percent.
- Unemployment is down 0.2 percentage point from one year earlier and is 6.0 percentage points below its recent peak of 11.3 percent in August 2009.
- There were 29,200 Rhode Island residents unemployed in November 2016.

EARNINGS

- In November 2016, average hourly earnings of private-sector workers in Rhode Island were \$26.59. The average workweek was 32.3 hours, and average weekly earnings were \$858.86.
- Adjusting for inflation, state average hourly earnings have risen by 3.1 percent over the past year. Nationally, real average hourly earnings have increased by 0.1 percent (not seasonally adjusted).

STATE QUICK FACTS

		Rhode Island	United States
Private-Sector Jobs Added	Past 12 Months	5,000	2.0 million
	Since Feb. 2010	37,400	15.6 million
Unemployment Rate	November 2016	5.3%	4.6%
	November 2015	5.5%	5.0%
	Recession-Era Peak	11.3%	10.0%
Median Household Income (2015 \$)*	2015	\$58,100	\$55,800
	2014	\$55,000	\$53,700
Poverty Rate*	2015	13.9%	14.7%
	2014	14.3%	15.5%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	5.8%	4.6%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	9.5%	5.8%
Percentage Without Health Insurance*	2015	5.7%	9.4%
	2013	11.6%	14.5%

STATE GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT

- Real gross domestic product (GDP) in Rhode Island grew by 0.3 percent over the four quarters through the second quarter of 2016, below the national average growth rate of 1.2 percent.**
- Since the official end of the Great Recession in the second quarter of 2009, Rhode Island GDP growth has averaged 0.8 percent at an annual rate, compared with a national average of 1.9 percent.

HOUSING

- Home prices in Rhode Island increased by 5.6 percent from the third quarter of 2015 to the third quarter of 2016. They are up 19.4 percent since their recent low in the third quarter of 2012.
- In October 2016, builders in Rhode Island broke ground on 1,560 new housing units (seasonally adjusted annual rate), bringing the average over the past 12 months to 1,138 units. That marks an increase of 36.2 percent from the average over the prior 12 months.

EXPORTS

- In Rhode Island, goods exports totaled \$175 million in October and \$2.2 billion over the past year, up 1.6 percent from the 12 months ending in October 2015 (inflation-adjusted).
- Exports over the past 12 months are up 40.9 percent from their level in 2009 (inflation-adjusted).

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***** For additional Rhode Island-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the Rhode Island office: <http://www.dlt.ri.gov/lmi/news/lfrelease.htm>



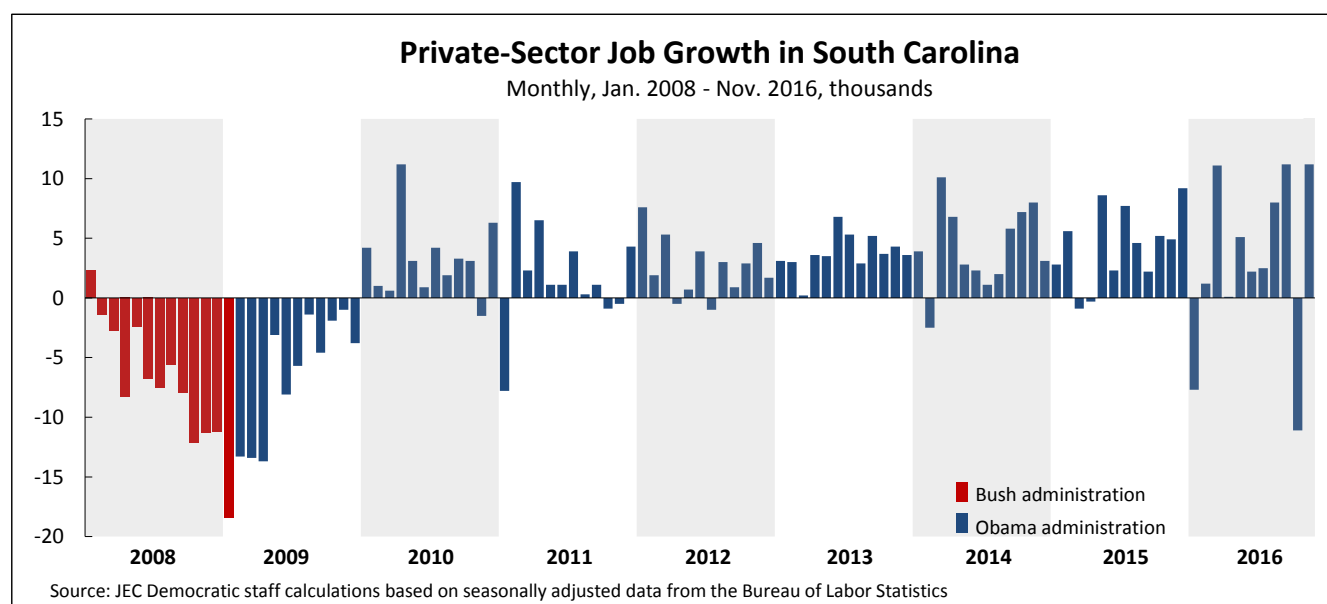
ECONOMIC SNAPSHOT: SOUTH CAROLINA

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JOBS

- In November, private-sector employment in South Carolina grew by 11,200 jobs. Over the past year, South Carolina businesses have added 43,000 jobs. This compares with an increase of 45,800 jobs over the 12 months through November 2015.
- Since February 2010, the national low point for private-sector employment, South Carolina businesses have added 266,700 jobs (an increase of 18.5 percent). Nationally, private payrolls have increased by 14.6 percent over this time.
- The state sectors with the greatest job gains in percentage terms since February 2010 are: professional and business services at 37.1 percent (76,500 jobs), education and health services at 19.5 percent (40,500 jobs) and leisure and hospitality at 18.7 percent (38,500 jobs).



UNEMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in South Carolina was 4.4 percent in November 2016, down 0.3 percentage point from October. The rate was 0.2 percentage point below the national rate of 4.6 percent.
- Unemployment is down 1.1 percentage points from one year earlier and is 7.3 percentage points below its recent peak of 11.7 percent in January 2010.
- There were 102,100 South Carolina residents unemployed in November 2016.

EARNINGS

- In November 2016, average hourly earnings of private-sector workers in South Carolina were \$22.55. The average workweek was 34.4 hours, and average weekly earnings were \$775.72.
- Adjusting for inflation, state average hourly earnings have risen by 1.7 percent over the past year. Nationally, real average hourly earnings have increased by 0.1 percent (not seasonally adjusted).

STATE QUICK FACTS

		South Carolina	United States
Private-Sector Jobs Added	Past 12 Months	43,000	2.0 million
	Since Feb. 2010	266,700	15.6 million
Unemployment Rate	November 2016	4.4%	4.6%
	November 2015	5.5%	5.0%
	Recession-Era Peak	11.7%	10.0%
Median Household Income (2015 \$)*	2015	\$47,200	\$55,800
	2014	\$45,300	\$53,700
Poverty Rate*	2015	16.6%	14.7%
	2014	18.0%	15.5%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	4.4%	4.6%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	8.7%	5.8%
Percentage Without Health Insurance*	2015	10.9%	9.4%
	2013	15.8%	14.5%

STATE GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT

- Real gross domestic product (GDP) in South Carolina grew by 3.0 percent over the four quarters through the second quarter of 2016, above the national average growth rate of 1.2 percent.**
- Since the official end of the Great Recession in the second quarter of 2009, South Carolina GDP growth has averaged 2.0 percent at an annual rate, compared with a national average of 1.9 percent.

HOUSING

- Home prices in South Carolina increased by 5.7 percent from the third quarter of 2015 to the third quarter of 2016. They are up 27.0 percent since their recent low in the second quarter of 2011.
- In October 2016, builders in South Carolina broke ground on 29,490 new housing units (seasonally adjusted annual rate), bringing the average over the past 12 months to 30,748 units. That marks an increase of 4.2 percent from the average over the prior 12 months.

EXPORTS

- In South Carolina, goods exports totaled \$2.9 billion in October and \$31.4 billion over the past year, up 6.4 percent from the 12 months ending in October 2015 (inflation-adjusted).
- Exports over the past 12 months are up 84.9 percent from their level in 2009 (inflation-adjusted).

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**** A list of sources used to compile the South Carolina economic snapshot is available at: <http://bit.ly/JEC-state-by-state-sources>

***** For additional South Carolina-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the South Carolina office: <http://dew.sc.gov/about-lmi.asp>



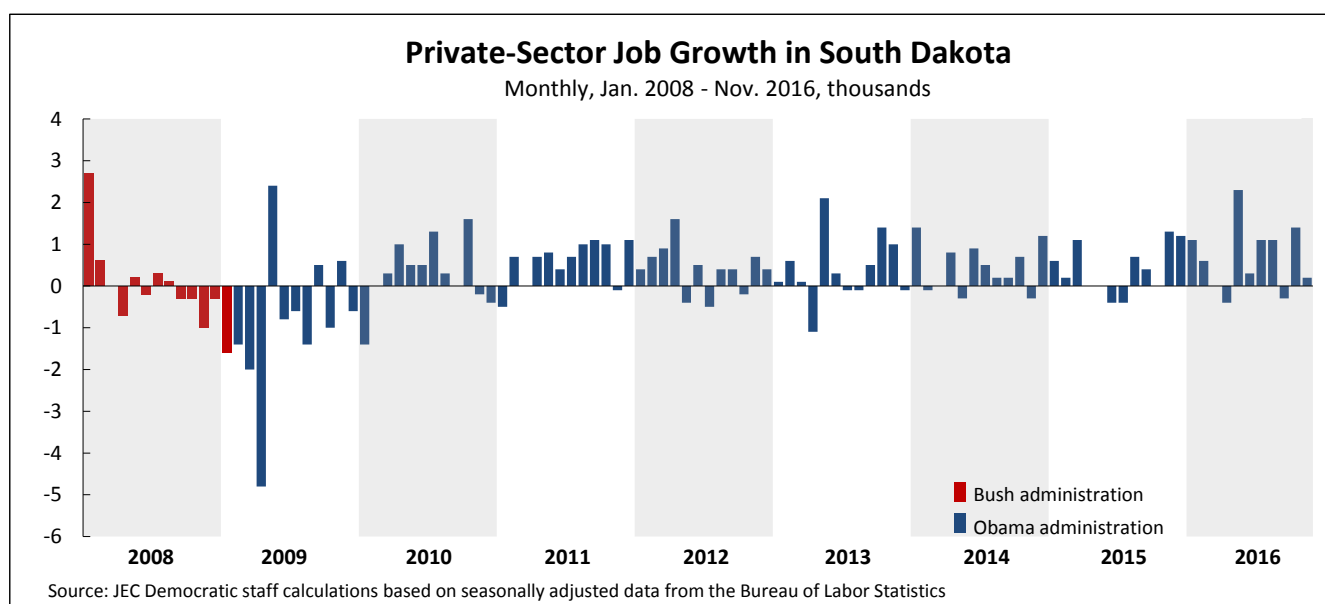
ECONOMIC SNAPSHOT: SOUTH DAKOTA

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JOBS

- In November, private-sector employment in South Dakota grew by 200 jobs. Over the past year, South Dakota businesses have added 8,600 jobs. This compares with an increase of 4,700 jobs over the 12 months through November 2015.
- Since February 2010, the national low point for private-sector employment, South Dakota businesses have added 38,700 jobs (an increase of 12.0 percent). Nationally, private payrolls have increased by 14.6 percent over this time.
- The state sectors with the greatest job gains in percentage terms since February 2010 are: logging, mining and construction at 19.5 percent (4,000 jobs), professional and business services at 19.3 percent (5,200 jobs) and leisure and hospitality at 15.5 percent (6,600 jobs).



UNEMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in South Dakota was 2.7 percent in November 2016, down 0.1 percentage point from October. The rate was 1.9 percentage points below the national rate of 4.6 percent.
- Unemployment is down 0.3 percentage point from one year earlier and is 2.5 percentage points below its recent peak of 5.2 percent in January 2010.
- There were 12,500 South Dakota residents unemployed in November 2016.

EARNINGS

- In November 2016, average hourly earnings of private-sector workers in South Dakota were \$21.85. The average workweek was 33.7 hours, and average weekly earnings were \$736.35.
- Adjusting for inflation, state average hourly earnings have risen by 1.2 percent over the past year. Nationally, real average hourly earnings have increased by 0.1 percent (not seasonally adjusted).

STATE QUICK FACTS

		South Dakota	United States
Private-Sector Jobs Added	Past 12 Months	8,600	2.0 million
	Since Feb. 2010	38,700	15.6 million
Unemployment Rate	November 2016	2.7%	4.6%
	November 2015	3.0%	5.0%
	Recession-Era Peak	5.2%	10.0%
Median Household Income (2015 \$)*	2015	\$53,000	\$55,800
	2014	\$51,000	\$53,700
Poverty Rate*	2015	13.7%	14.7%
	2014	14.2%	15.5%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	2.5%	4.6%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	1.4%	5.8%
Percentage Without Health Insurance*	2015	10.2%	9.4%
	2013	11.3%	14.5%

STATE GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT

- Real gross domestic product (GDP) in South Dakota fell by 0.8 percent over the four quarters through the second quarter of 2016, below the national average growth rate of 1.2 percent.**
- Since the official end of the Great Recession in the second quarter of 2009, South Dakota GDP growth has averaged 1.5 percent at an annual rate, compared with a national average of 1.9 percent.

HOUSING

- Home prices in South Dakota increased by 4.9 percent from the third quarter of 2015 to the third quarter of 2016. They are now 21.3 percent above their level in the fourth quarter of 2007.
- In October 2016, builders in South Dakota broke ground on 5,200 new housing units (seasonally adjusted annual rate), bringing the average over the past 12 months to 5,219 units. That marks an increase of 23.3 percent from the average over the prior 12 months.

EXPORTS

- In South Dakota, goods exports totaled \$101 million in October and \$1.3 billion over the past year, down 9.0 percent from the 12 months ending in October 2015 (inflation-adjusted).
- Exports over the past 12 months are up 20.7 percent from their level in 2009 (inflation-adjusted).

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**** A list of sources used to compile the South Dakota economic snapshot is available at: <http://bit.ly/JEC-state-by-state-sources>

***** For additional South Dakota-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the South Dakota office: http://dol.sd.gov/lmic/menu_labor_force.aspx



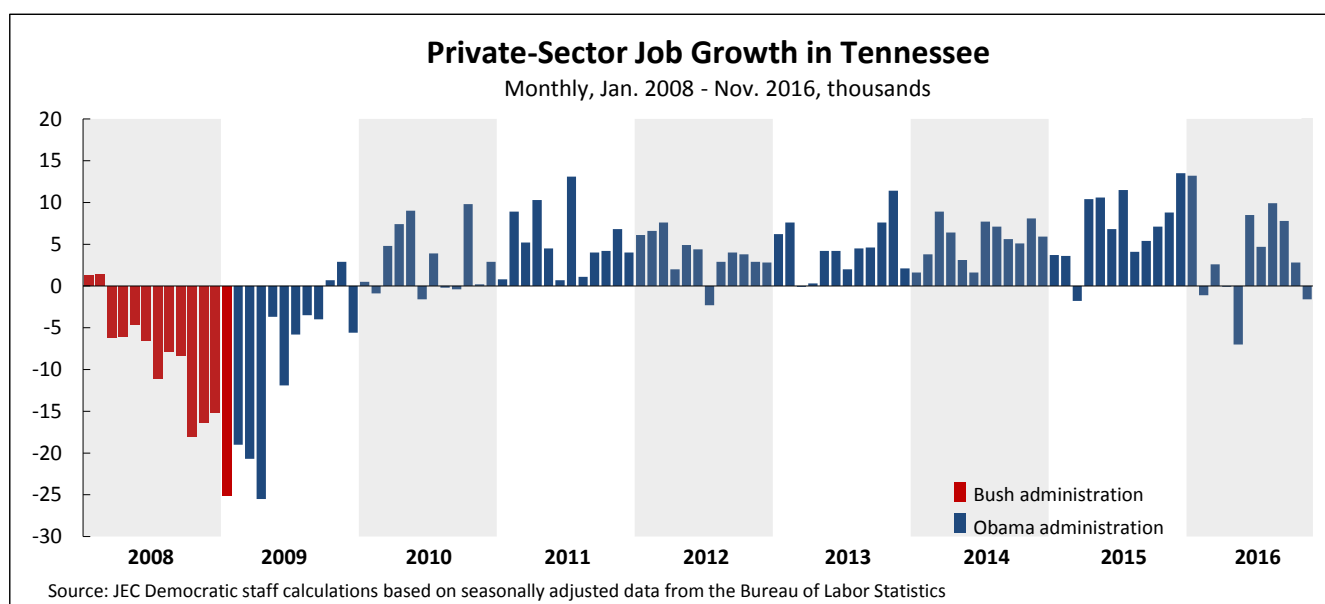
ECONOMIC SNAPSHOT: TENNESSEE

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JOBS

- In November, private-sector employment in Tennessee fell by 1,600 jobs. Over the past year, Tennessee businesses have added 53,200 jobs. This compares with an increase of 76,100 jobs over the 12 months through November 2015.
- Since February 2010, the national low point for private-sector employment, Tennessee businesses have added 388,000 jobs (an increase of 17.9 percent). Nationally, private payrolls have increased by 14.6 percent over this time.
- The state sectors with the greatest job gains in percentage terms since February 2010 are: professional and business services at 37.8 percent (112,600 jobs), logging, mining and construction at 22.6 percent (23,100 jobs) and leisure and hospitality at 21.4 percent (55,700 jobs).



UNEMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Tennessee was 4.8 percent in November 2016, holding constant from October. The rate was 0.2 percentage point above the national rate of 4.6 percent.
- Unemployment is down 0.8 percentage point from one year earlier and is 6.3 percentage points below its recent peak of 11.1 percent in June 2009.
- There were 151,900 Tennessee residents unemployed in November 2016.

EARNINGS

- In November 2016, average hourly earnings of private-sector workers in Tennessee were \$22.23. The average workweek was 35.6 hours, and average weekly earnings were \$791.39.
- Adjusting for inflation, state average hourly earnings have risen by 3.0 percent over the past year. Nationally, real average hourly earnings have increased by 0.1 percent (not seasonally adjusted).

STATE QUICK FACTS

		Tennessee	United States
Private-Sector Jobs Added	Past 12 Months	53,200	2.0 million
	Since Feb. 2010	388,000	15.6 million
Unemployment Rate	November 2016	4.8%	4.6%
	November 2015	5.6%	5.0%
	Recession-Era Peak	11.1%	10.0%
Median Household Income (2015 \$)*	2015	\$47,300	\$55,800
	2014	\$44,400	\$53,700
Poverty Rate*	2015	16.7%	14.7%
	2014	18.3%	15.5%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	4.2%	4.6%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	3.8%	5.8%
Percentage Without Health Insurance*	2015	10.3%	9.4%
	2013	13.9%	14.5%

STATE GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT

- Real gross domestic product (GDP) in Tennessee grew by 2.2 percent over the four quarters through the second quarter of 2016, above the national average growth rate of 1.2 percent.**
- Since the official end of the Great Recession in the second quarter of 2009, Tennessee GDP growth has averaged 2.2 percent at an annual rate, compared with a national average of 1.9 percent.

HOUSING

- Home prices in Tennessee increased by 6.5 percent from the third quarter of 2015 to the third quarter of 2016. They are up 30.3 percent since their recent low in the second quarter of 2011.
- In October 2016, builders in Tennessee broke ground on 38,780 new housing units (seasonally adjusted annual rate), bringing the average over the past 12 months to 38,168 units. That marks an increase of 27.2 percent from the average over the prior 12 months.

EXPORTS

- In Tennessee, goods exports totaled \$2.8 billion in October and \$31.7 billion over the past year, up 0.6 percent from the 12 months ending in October 2015 (inflation-adjusted).
- Exports over the past 12 months are up 50.6 percent from their level in 2009 (inflation-adjusted).

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***** For additional Tennessee-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the Tennessee office: <http://www.tn.gov/labor-wfd/lmr/>



ECONOMIC SNAPSHOT: TEXAS

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JOBS

- In November, private-sector employment in Texas grew by 15,800 jobs. Over the past year, Texas businesses have added 171,800 jobs. This compares with an increase of 166,000 jobs over the 12 months through November 2015.
- Since February 2010, the national low point for private-sector employment, Texas businesses have added 1,822,700 jobs (an increase of 21.7 percent). Nationally, private payrolls have increased by 14.6 percent over this time.
- The state sectors with the greatest job gains in percentage terms since February 2010 are: leisure and hospitality at 32.3 percent (321,900 jobs), professional and business services at 29.9 percent (375,900 jobs) and construction at 24.0 percent (135,100 jobs).



UNEMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Texas was 4.6 percent in November 2016, down 0.1 percentage point from October. The rate was the same as the national rate of 4.6 percent.
- Unemployment held constant from one year earlier and is 3.8 percentage points below its recent peak of 8.4 percent in October 2009.
- There were 615,100 Texas residents unemployed in November 2016.

EARNINGS

- In November 2016, average hourly earnings of private-sector workers in Texas were \$24.71. The average workweek was 35.5 hours, and average weekly earnings were \$877.21.
- Adjusting for inflation, state average hourly earnings have fallen by 1.5 percent over the past year. Nationally, real average hourly earnings have increased by 0.1 percent (not seasonally adjusted).

STATE QUICK FACTS

		Texas	United States
Private-Sector Jobs Added	Past 12 Months	171,800	2.0 million
	Since Feb. 2010	1.8 million	15.6 million
Unemployment Rate	November 2016	4.6%	4.6%
	November 2015	4.6%	5.0%
	Recession-Era Peak	8.4%	10.0%
Median Household Income (2015 \$)*	2015	\$55,700	\$55,800
	2014	\$53,100	\$53,700
Poverty Rate*	2015	15.9%	14.7%
	2014	17.2%	15.5%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	4.3%	4.6%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	5.0%	5.8%
Percentage Without Health Insurance*	2015	17.1%	9.4%
	2013	22.1%	14.5%

STATE GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT

- Real gross domestic product (GDP) in Texas fell by 0.2 percent over the four quarters through the second quarter of 2016, below the national average growth rate of 1.2 percent.**
- Since the official end of the Great Recession in the second quarter of 2009, Texas GDP growth has averaged 3.8 percent at an annual rate, compared with a national average of 1.9 percent.

HOUSING

- Home prices in Texas increased by 7.8 percent from the third quarter of 2015 to the third quarter of 2016. They are up 40.4 percent since their recent low in the first quarter of 2011.
- In October 2016, builders in Texas broke ground on 160,890 new housing units (seasonally adjusted annual rate), bringing the average over the past 12 months to 166,494 units. That marks an increase of 1.4 percent from the average over the prior 12 months.

EXPORTS

- In Texas, goods exports totaled \$20.3 billion in October and \$233.5 billion over the past year, down 6.0 percent from the 12 months ending in October 2015 (inflation-adjusted).
- Exports over the past 12 months are up 39.3 percent from their level in 2009 (inflation-adjusted).

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***** For additional Texas-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the Texas office: <http://www.tracer2.com/?PAGEID=133>



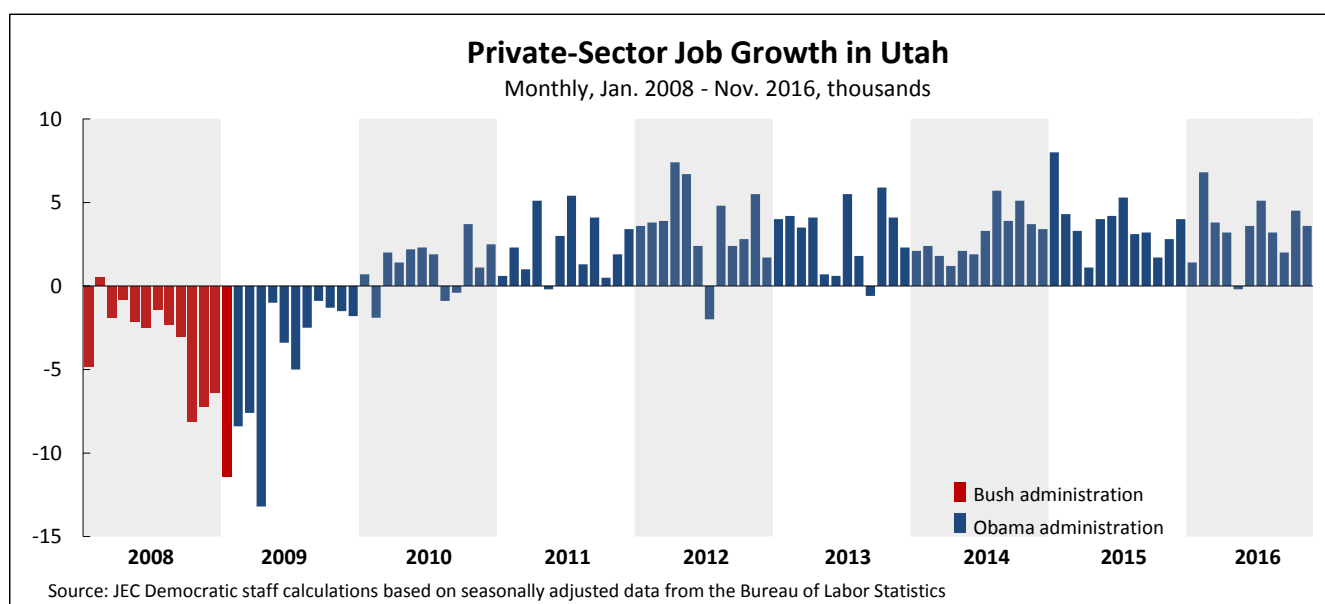
ECONOMIC SNAPSHOT: UTAH

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JOBS

- In November, private-sector employment in Utah grew by 3,600 jobs. Over the past year, Utah businesses have added 41,000 jobs. This compares with an increase of 44,400 jobs over the 12 months through November 2015.
- Since February 2010, the national low point for private-sector employment, Utah businesses have added 241,900 jobs (an increase of 25.3 percent). Nationally, private payrolls have increased by 14.6 percent over this time.
- The state sectors with the greatest job gains in percentage terms since February 2010 are: construction at 39.2 percent (25,400 jobs), professional and business services at 36.9 percent (54,900 jobs) and financial activities at 30.1 percent (20,500 jobs).



UNEMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Utah was 3.1 percent in November 2016, down 0.1 percentage point from October. The rate was 1.5 percentage points below the national rate of 4.6 percent.
- Unemployment is down 0.3 percentage point from one year earlier and is 4.9 percentage points below its recent peak of 8.0 percent in May 2010.
- There were 46,600 Utah residents unemployed in November 2016.

EARNINGS

- In November 2016, average hourly earnings of private-sector workers in Utah were \$25.11. The average workweek was 34.9 hours, and average weekly earnings were \$876.34.
- Adjusting for inflation, state average hourly earnings have fallen by 1.0 percent over the past year. Nationally, real average hourly earnings have increased by 0.1 percent (not seasonally adjusted).

STATE QUICK FACTS

		Utah	United States
Private-Sector Jobs Added	Past 12 Months	41,000	2.0 million
	Since Feb. 2010	241,900	15.6 million
Unemployment Rate	November 2016	3.1%	4.6%
	November 2015	3.4%	5.0%
	Recession-Era Peak	8.0%	10.0%
Median Household Income (2015 \$)*	2015	\$62,900	\$55,800
	2014	\$61,000	\$53,700
Poverty Rate*	2015	11.3%	14.7%
	2014	11.7%	15.5%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	2.6%	4.6%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	2.2%	5.8%
Percentage Without Health Insurance*	2015	10.5%	9.4%
	2013	14.0%	14.5%

STATE GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT

- Real gross domestic product (GDP) in Utah grew by 3.4 percent over the four quarters through the second quarter of 2016, above the national average growth rate of 1.2 percent.**
- Since the official end of the Great Recession in the second quarter of 2009, Utah GDP growth has averaged 2.6 percent at an annual rate, compared with a national average of 1.9 percent.

HOUSING

- Home prices in Utah increased by 9.5 percent from the third quarter of 2015 to the third quarter of 2016. They are up 46.7 percent since their recent low in the second quarter of 2011.
- In October 2016, builders in Utah broke ground on 36,630 new housing units (seasonally adjusted annual rate), bringing the average over the past 12 months to 21,027 units. That marks an increase of 10.5 percent from the average over the prior 12 months.

EXPORTS

- In Utah, goods exports totaled \$911 million in October and \$12.1 billion over the past year, down 8.4 percent from the 12 months ending in October 2015 (inflation-adjusted).
- Exports over the past 12 months are up 13.5 percent from their level in 2009 (inflation-adjusted).

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***** For additional Utah-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the Utah office: <http://jobs.utah.gov/opencms/wi/pubs/une/>



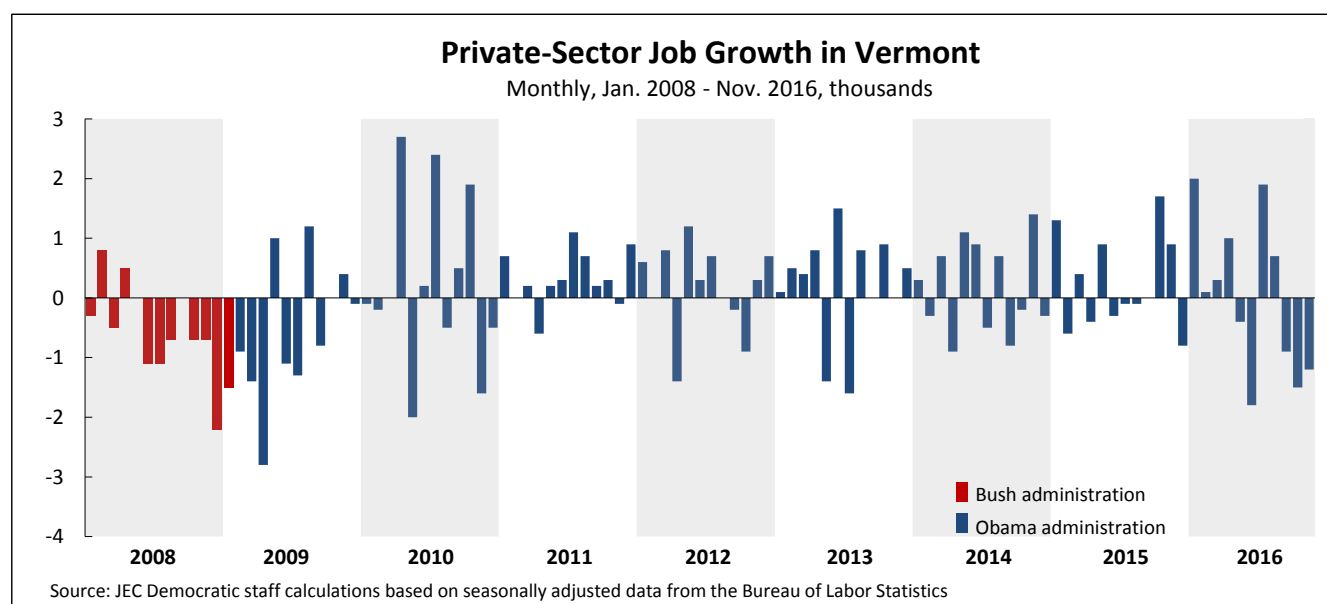
ECONOMIC SNAPSHOT: VERMONT

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JOBS

- In November, private-sector employment in Vermont fell by 1,200 jobs. Over the past year, Vermont businesses have shed 600 jobs. This compares with an increase of 3,400 jobs over the 12 months through November 2015.
- Since February 2010, the national low point for private-sector employment, Vermont businesses have added 16,800 jobs (an increase of 7.0 percent). Nationally, private payrolls have increased by 14.6 percent over this time.
- The state sectors with the greatest job gains in percentage terms since February 2010 are: professional and business services at 20.2 percent (4,600 jobs), construction at 16.0 percent (2,100 jobs) and leisure and hospitality at 14.9 percent (4,800 jobs).



UNEMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Vermont was 3.2 percent in November 2016, down 0.1 percentage point from October. The rate was 1.4 percentage points below the national rate of 4.6 percent.
- Unemployment is down 0.4 percentage point from one year earlier and is 3.8 percentage points below its recent peak of 7.0 percent in May 2009.
- There were 10,900 Vermont residents unemployed in November 2016.

EARNINGS

- In November 2016, average hourly earnings of private-sector workers in Vermont were \$24.41. The average workweek was 33.2 hours, and average weekly earnings were \$810.41.
- Adjusting for inflation, state average hourly earnings have fallen by 2.3 percent over the past year. Nationally, real average hourly earnings have increased by 0.1 percent (not seasonally adjusted).

STATE QUICK FACTS

		Vermont	United States
Private-Sector Jobs Added	Past 12 Months	-600	2.0 million
	Since Feb. 2010	16,800	15.6 million
Unemployment Rate	November 2016	3.2%	4.6%
	November 2015	3.6%	5.0%
	Recession-Era Peak	7.0%	10.0%
Median Household Income (2015 \$)*	2015	\$57,000	\$55,800
	2014	\$54,200	\$53,700
Poverty Rate*	2015	10.2%	14.7%
	2014	12.2%	15.5%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	3.9%	4.6%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	8.8%	5.8%
Percentage Without Health Insurance*	2015	3.8%	9.4%
	2013	7.2%	14.5%

STATE GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT

- Real gross domestic product (GDP) in Vermont grew by 2.2 percent over the four quarters through the second quarter of 2016, above the national average growth rate of 1.2 percent.**
- Since the official end of the Great Recession in the second quarter of 2009, Vermont GDP growth has averaged 1.2 percent at an annual rate, compared with a national average of 1.9 percent.

HOUSING

- Home prices in Vermont increased by 0.5 percent from the third quarter of 2015 to the third quarter of 2016. They are up 9.0 percent since their recent low in the second quarter of 2011.
- In October 2016, builders in Vermont broke ground on 2,630 new housing units (seasonally adjusted annual rate), bringing the average over the past 12 months to 1,990 units. That marks an increase of 22.5 percent from the average over the prior 12 months.

EXPORTS

- In Vermont, goods exports totaled \$257 million in October and \$3.0 billion over the past year, down 5.7 percent from the 12 months ending in October 2015 (inflation-adjusted).
- Exports over the past 12 months are down 7.5 percent from their level in 2009 (inflation-adjusted).

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***** For additional Vermont-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the Vermont office: <http://www.vtmi.info/>



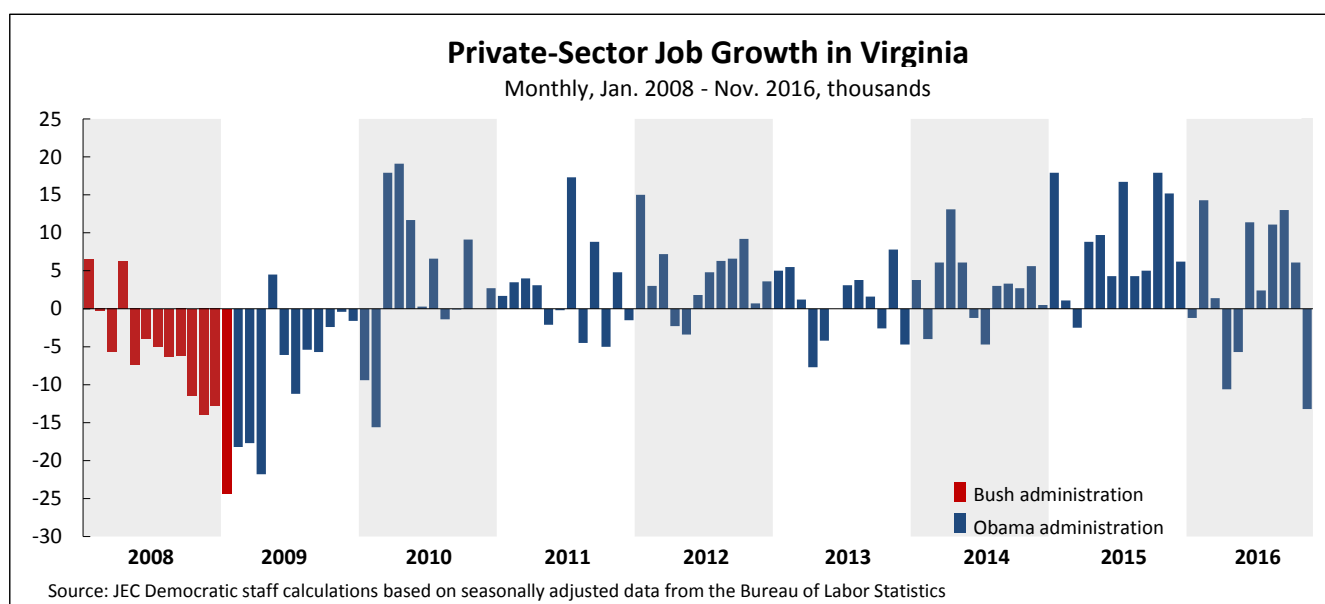
ECONOMIC SNAPSHOT: VIRGINIA

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JOBS

- In November, private-sector employment in Virginia fell by 13,200 jobs. Over the past year, Virginia businesses have added 35,200 jobs. This compares with an increase of 98,900 jobs over the 12 months through November 2015.
- Since February 2010, the national low point for private-sector employment, Virginia businesses have added 325,000 jobs (an increase of 11.2 percent). Nationally, private payrolls have increased by 14.6 percent over this time.
- The state sectors with the greatest job gains in percentage terms since February 2010 are: leisure and hospitality at 19.6 percent (65,200 jobs), education and health services at 16.5 percent (75,000 jobs) and professional and business services at 13.4 percent (85,300 jobs).



UNEMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Virginia was 4.2 percent in November 2016, up 0.1 percentage point from October. The rate was 0.4 percentage point below the national rate of 4.6 percent.
- Unemployment held constant from one year earlier and is 3.2 percentage points below its recent peak of 7.4 percent in February 2010.
- There were 178,700 Virginia residents unemployed in November 2016.

EARNINGS

- In November 2016, average hourly earnings of private-sector workers in Virginia were \$27.01. The average workweek was 34.9 hours, and average weekly earnings were \$942.65.
- Adjusting for inflation, state average hourly earnings have held roughly constant over the past year. Nationally, real average hourly earnings have increased by 0.1 percent (not seasonally adjusted).

STATE QUICK FACTS

		Virginia	United States
Private-Sector Jobs Added	Past 12 Months	35,200	2.0 million
	Since Feb. 2010	325,000	15.6 million
Unemployment Rate	November 2016	4.2%	4.6%
	November 2015	4.2%	5.0%
	Recession-Era Peak	7.4%	10.0%
Median Household Income (2015 \$)*	2015	\$66,300	\$55,800
	2014	\$65,000	\$53,700
Poverty Rate*	2015	11.2%	14.7%
	2014	11.8%	15.5%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	3.8%	4.6%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	4.5%	5.8%
Percentage Without Health Insurance*	2015	9.1%	9.4%
	2013	12.3%	14.5%

STATE GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT

- Real gross domestic product (GDP) in Virginia grew by 0.8 percent over the four quarters through the second quarter of 2016, below the national average growth rate of 1.2 percent.**
- Since the official end of the Great Recession in the second quarter of 2009, Virginia GDP growth has averaged 1.0 percent at an annual rate, compared with a national average of 1.9 percent.

HOUSING

- Home prices in Virginia increased by 5.0 percent from the third quarter of 2015 to the third quarter of 2016. They are up 19.2 percent since their recent low in the first quarter of 2011.
- In October 2016, builders in Virginia broke ground on 22,670 new housing units (seasonally adjusted annual rate), bringing the average over the past 12 months to 29,361 units. That marks a decrease of 1.6 percent from the average over the prior 12 months.

EXPORTS

- In Virginia, goods exports totaled \$1.4 billion in October and \$16.7 billion over the past year, down 6.1 percent from the 12 months ending in October 2015 (inflation-adjusted).
- Exports over the past 12 months are up 7.8 percent from their level in 2009 (inflation-adjusted).

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**** A list of sources used to compile the Virginia economic snapshot is available at: <http://bit.ly/JEC-state-by-state-sources>

***** For additional Virginia-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the Virginia office: <http://www.vawc.virginia.gov/analyzer/default.asp>



ECONOMIC SNAPSHOT: WASHINGTON

Includes Bureau of Labor Statistics jobs, unemployment and earnings data through November 2016

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JOBS

- In November, private-sector employment in Washington grew by 4,700 jobs. Over the past year, Washington businesses have added 84,400 jobs. This compares with an increase of 79,600 jobs over the 12 months through November 2015.
- Since February 2010, the national low point for private-sector employment, Washington businesses have added 434,400 jobs (an increase of 19.1 percent). Nationally, private payrolls have increased by 14.6 percent over this time.
- The state sectors with the greatest job gains in percentage terms since February 2010 are: construction at 33.2 percent (47,800 jobs), professional and business services at 27.4 percent (88,000 jobs) and leisure and hospitality at 21.3 percent (56,300 jobs).



UNEMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Washington was 5.3 percent in November 2016, down 0.1 percentage point from October. The rate was 0.7 percentage point above the national rate of 4.6 percent.
- Unemployment is down 0.4 percentage point from one year earlier and is 5.1 percentage points below its recent peak of 10.4 percent in January 2010.
- There were 194,400 Washington residents unemployed in November 2016.

EARNINGS

- In November 2016, average hourly earnings of private-sector workers in Washington were \$30.52. The average workweek was 34.5 hours, and average weekly earnings were \$1,052.94.
- Adjusting for inflation, state average hourly earnings have fallen by 1.2 percent over the past year. Nationally, real average hourly earnings have increased by 0.1 percent (not seasonally adjusted).

STATE QUICK FACTS

		Washington	United States
Private-Sector Jobs Added	Past 12 Months	84,400	2.0 million
	Since Feb. 2010	434,400	15.6 million
Unemployment Rate	November 2016	5.3%	4.6%
	November 2015	5.7%	5.0%
	Recession-Era Peak	10.4%	10.0%
Median Household Income (2015 \$)*	2015	\$64,100	\$55,800
	2014	\$61,400	\$53,700
Poverty Rate*	2015	12.2%	14.7%
	2014	13.2%	15.5%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	3.8%	4.6%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	4.1%	5.8%
Percentage Without Health Insurance*	2015	6.6%	9.4%
	2013	14.0%	14.5%

STATE GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT

- Real gross domestic product (GDP) in Washington grew by 4.3 percent over the four quarters through the second quarter of 2016, above the national average growth rate of 1.2 percent.**
- Since the official end of the Great Recession in the second quarter of 2009, Washington GDP growth has averaged 2.5 percent at an annual rate, compared with a national average of 1.9 percent.

HOUSING

- Home prices in Washington increased by 10.4 percent from the third quarter of 2015 to the third quarter of 2016. They are up 48.1 percent since their recent low in the fourth quarter of 2011.
- In October 2016, builders in Washington broke ground on 54,040 new housing units (seasonally adjusted annual rate), bringing the average over the past 12 months to 38,771 units. That marks a decrease of 2.1 percent from the average over the prior 12 months.

EXPORTS

- In Washington, goods exports totaled \$6.9 billion in October and \$80.4 billion over the past year, down 5.6 percent from the 12 months ending in October 2015 (inflation-adjusted).
- Exports over the past 12 months are up 51.1 percent from their level in 2009 (inflation-adjusted).

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**** A list of sources used to compile the Washington economic snapshot is available at: <http://bit.ly/JEC-state-by-state-sources>

***** For additional Washington-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the Washington office: <http://www.workforceexplorer.com/>



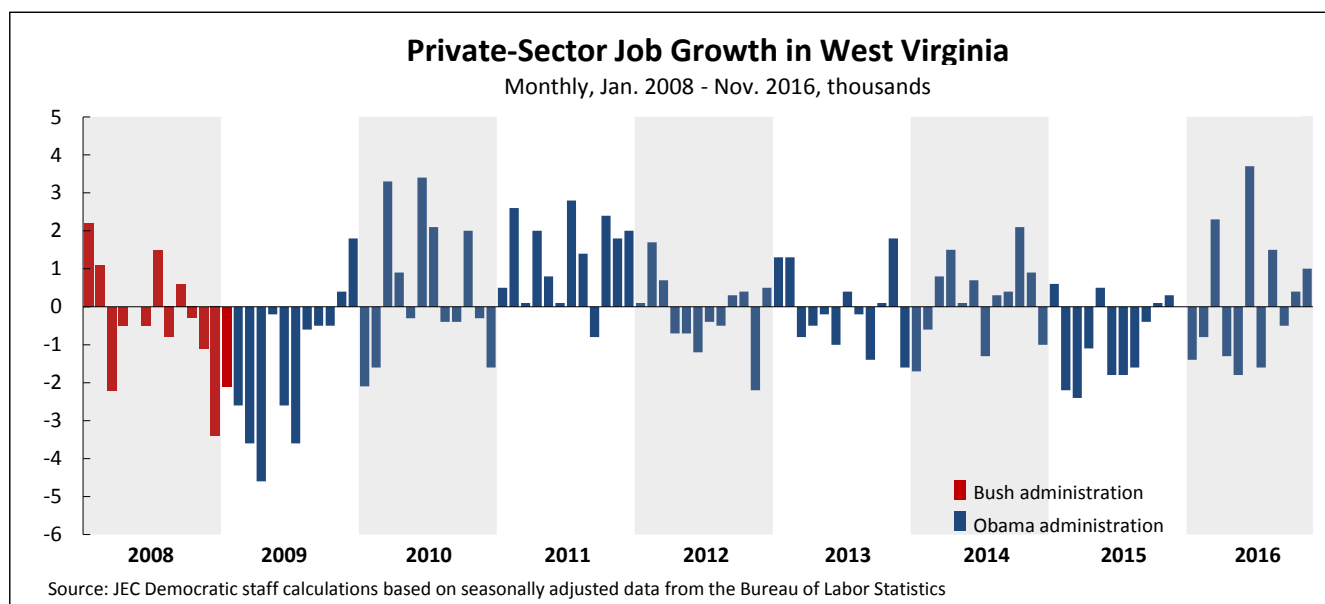
ECONOMIC SNAPSHOT: WEST VIRGINIA

Includes Bureau of Labor Statistics jobs, unemployment and earnings data through November 2016

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JOBS

- In November, private-sector employment in West Virginia grew by 1,000 jobs. Over the past year, West Virginia businesses have added 1,500 jobs. This compares with a decrease of 10,800 jobs over the 12 months through November 2015.
- Since February 2010, the national low point for private-sector employment, West Virginia businesses have added 15,500 jobs (an increase of 2.6 percent). Nationally, private payrolls have increased by 14.6 percent over this time.
- The state sectors with the greatest job gains in percentage terms since February 2010 are: education and health services at 11.4 percent (13,700 jobs), professional and business services at 9.8 percent (5,900 jobs) and leisure and hospitality at 8.7 percent (6,200 jobs).



UNEMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in West Virginia was 6.0 percent in November 2016, holding constant from October. The rate was 1.4 percentage points above the national rate of 4.6 percent.
- Unemployment is down 0.3 percentage point from one year earlier and is 2.8 percentage points below its recent peak of 8.8 percent in November 2010.
- There were 47,900 West Virginia residents unemployed in November 2016.

EARNINGS

- In November 2016, average hourly earnings of private-sector workers in West Virginia were \$21.17. The average workweek was 35.3 hours, and average weekly earnings were \$747.30.
- Adjusting for inflation, state average hourly earnings have fallen by 0.7 percent over the past year. Nationally, real average hourly earnings have increased by 0.1 percent (not seasonally adjusted).

STATE QUICK FACTS

		West Virginia	United States
Private-Sector Jobs Added	Past 12 Months	1,500	2.0 million
	Since Feb. 2010	15,500	15.6 million
Unemployment Rate	November 2016	6.0%	4.6%
	November 2015	6.3%	5.0%
	Recession-Era Peak	8.8%	10.0%
Median Household Income (2015 \$)*	2015	\$42,000	\$55,800
	2014	\$41,100	\$53,700
Poverty Rate*	2015	17.9%	14.7%
	2014	18.3%	15.5%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	5.1%	4.6%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	5.7%	5.8%
Percentage Without Health Insurance*	2015	6.0%	9.4%
	2013	14.0%	14.5%

STATE GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT

- Real gross domestic product (GDP) in West Virginia fell by 3.1 percent over the four quarters through the second quarter of 2016, below the national average growth rate of 1.2 percent.**
- Since the official end of the Great Recession in the second quarter of 2009, West Virginia GDP growth has averaged 0.5 percent at an annual rate, compared with a national average of 1.9 percent.

HOUSING

- Home prices in West Virginia increased by 2.3 percent from the third quarter of 2015 to the third quarter of 2016. They are up 16.2 percent since their recent low in the second quarter of 2011.
- In October 2016, builders in West Virginia broke ground on 3,770 new housing units (seasonally adjusted annual rate), bringing the average over the past 12 months to 2,613 units. That marks a decrease of 6.3 percent from the average over the prior 12 months.

EXPORTS

- In West Virginia, goods exports totaled \$415 million in October and \$4.8 billion over the past year, down 17.4 percent from the 12 months ending in October 2015 (inflation-adjusted).
- Exports over the past 12 months are down 3.4 percent from their level in 2009 (inflation-adjusted).

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***** For additional West Virginia-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the West Virginia office: <http://www.workforcewv.org/lmi/>



ECONOMIC SNAPSHOT: WISCONSIN

Includes Bureau of Labor Statistics jobs, unemployment and earnings data through November 2016

Last updated on December 16th; December data will be released on January 24, 2017

JOBS

- In November, private-sector employment in Wisconsin fell by 5,200 jobs. Over the past year, Wisconsin businesses have added 25,300 jobs. This compares with an increase of 34,400 jobs over the 12 months through November 2015.
- Since February 2010, the national low point for private-sector employment, Wisconsin businesses have added 225,000 jobs (an increase of 9.8 percent). Nationally, private payrolls have increased by 14.6 percent over this time.
- The state sectors with the greatest job gains in percentage terms since February 2010 are: mining and logging at 31.0 percent (900 jobs), construction at 18.5 percent (17,700 jobs) and professional and business services at 18.3 percent (49,000 jobs).



UNEMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Wisconsin was 4.1 percent in November 2016, holding constant from October. The rate was 0.5 percentage point below the national rate of 4.6 percent.
- Unemployment is down 0.5 percentage point from one year earlier and is 5.1 percentage points below its recent peak of 9.2 percent in January 2010.
- There were 127,100 Wisconsin residents unemployed in November 2016.

EARNINGS

- In November 2016, average hourly earnings of private-sector workers in Wisconsin were \$24.30. The average workweek was 33.7 hours, and average weekly earnings were \$818.91.
- Adjusting for inflation, state average hourly earnings have risen by 0.9 percent over the past year. Nationally, real average hourly earnings have increased by 0.1 percent (not seasonally adjusted).

STATE QUICK FACTS

		Wisconsin	United States
Private-Sector Jobs Added	Past 12 Months	25,300	2.0 million
	Since Feb. 2010	225,000	15.6 million
Unemployment Rate	November 2016	4.1%	4.6%
	November 2015	4.6%	5.0%
	Recession-Era Peak	9.2%	10.0%
Median Household Income (2015 \$)*	2015	\$55,600	\$55,800
	2014	\$52,700	\$53,700
Poverty Rate*	2015	12.1%	14.7%
	2014	13.2%	15.5%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	3.6%	4.6%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	5.6%	5.8%
Percentage Without Health Insurance*	2015	5.7%	9.4%
	2013	9.1%	14.5%

STATE GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT

- Real gross domestic product (GDP) in Wisconsin grew by 1.2 percent over the four quarters through the second quarter of 2016, matching the national average growth rate of 1.2 percent.**
- Since the official end of the Great Recession in the second quarter of 2009, Wisconsin GDP growth has averaged 1.7 percent at an annual rate, compared with a national average of 1.9 percent.

HOUSING

- Home prices in Wisconsin increased by 5.9 percent from the third quarter of 2015 to the third quarter of 2016. They are up 18.8 percent since their recent low in the second quarter of 2011.
- In October 2016, builders in Wisconsin broke ground on 23,340 new housing units (seasonally adjusted annual rate), bringing the average over the past 12 months to 16,638 units. That marks an increase of 16.3 percent from the average over the prior 12 months.

EXPORTS

- In Wisconsin, goods exports totaled \$1.8 billion in October and \$21.2 billion over the past year, down 3.7 percent from the 12 months ending in October 2015 (inflation-adjusted).
- Exports over the past 12 months are up 23.4 percent from their level in 2009 (inflation-adjusted).

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***** For additional Wisconsin-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the Wisconsin office: <http://worknet.wisconsin.gov/worknet/whatsnew.aspx>



ECONOMIC SNAPSHOT: WYOMING

Includes Bureau of Labor Statistics jobs, unemployment and earnings data through November 2016

Last updated on December 16th; December data will be released on January 24, 2017

JOBS

- In November, private-sector employment in Wyoming was unchanged. Over the past year, Wyoming businesses have shed 8,100 jobs. This compares with a decrease of 6,500 jobs over the 12 months through November 2015.
- Since February 2010, the national low point for private-sector employment, Wyoming businesses have lost 700 jobs (a decrease of 0.3 percent). Nationally, private payrolls have increased by 14.6 percent over this time.
- The state sectors with the greatest job gains in percentage terms since February 2010 are: manufacturing at 12.8 percent (1,100 jobs), professional and business services at 8.9 percent (1,500 jobs) and leisure and hospitality at 8.1 percent (2,600 jobs).



UNEMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Wyoming was 4.9 percent in November 2016, down 0.2 percentage point from October. The rate was 0.3 percentage point above the national rate of 4.6 percent.
- Unemployment is up 0.6 percentage point from one year earlier but remains 2.3 percentage points below its recent peak of 7.2 percent in January 2010.
- There were 14,700 Wyoming residents unemployed in November 2016.

EARNINGS

- In November 2016, average hourly earnings of private-sector workers in Wyoming were \$23.93. The average workweek was 33.3 hours, and average weekly earnings were \$796.87.
- Adjusting for inflation, state average hourly earnings have risen by 0.3 percent over the past year. Nationally, real average hourly earnings have increased by 0.1 percent (not seasonally adjusted).

STATE QUICK FACTS

		Wyoming	United States
Private-Sector Jobs Added	Past 12 Months	-8,100	2.0 million
	Since Feb. 2010	-700	15.6 million
Unemployment Rate	November 2016	4.9%	4.6%
	November 2015	4.3%	5.0%
	Recession-Era Peak	7.2%	10.0%
Median Household Income (2015 \$)*	2015	\$60,200	\$55,800
	2014	\$57,100	\$53,700
Poverty Rate*	2015	11.1%	14.7%
	2014	11.2%	15.5%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	3.3%	4.6%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2015	4.8%	5.8%
Percentage Without Health Insurance*	2015	11.5%	9.4%
	2013	13.4%	14.5%

STATE GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT

- Real gross domestic product (GDP) in Wyoming fell by 6.6 percent over the four quarters through the second quarter of 2016, below the national average growth rate of 1.2 percent.**
- Since the official end of the Great Recession in the second quarter of 2009, Wyoming GDP growth has averaged -1.4 percent at an annual rate, compared with a national average of 1.9 percent.

HOUSING

- Home prices in Wyoming increased by 0.9 percent from the third quarter of 2015 to the third quarter of 2016. They are up 18.0 percent since their recent low in the third quarter of 2010.
- In October 2016, builders in Wyoming broke ground on 1,910 new housing units (seasonally adjusted annual rate), bringing the average over the past 12 months to 1,633 units. That marks a decrease of 3.4 percent from the average over the prior 12 months.

EXPORTS

- In Wyoming, goods exports totaled \$77 million in October and \$1.1 billion over the past year, down 11.2 percent from the 12 months ending in October 2015 (inflation-adjusted).
- Exports over the past 12 months are up 12.2 percent from their level in 2009 (inflation-adjusted).

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Veterans' Unemployment Rates by State

2015 Annual Averages

	All Veterans			Post-9/11 Veterans		
	Number in Labor Force	Number Unemployed	Unemployment Rate	Number in Labor Force	Number Unemployed	Unemployment Rate
UNITED STATES	10,757,000	495,000	4.6%	2,913,000	168,000	5.8%
Alabama	189,000	6,000	3.1%	71,000	3,000	4.6%
Alaska	46,000	2,000	4.3%	17,000	1,000	3.9%
Arizona	244,000	9,000	3.7%	59,000	2,000	4.0%
Arkansas	103,000	5,000	4.7%	26,000	2,000	6.4%
California	902,000	62,000	6.8%	253,000	27,000	10.6%
Colorado	225,000	8,000	3.5%	80,000	2,000	2.0%
Connecticut	97,000	4,000	4.6%	19,000	-	1.4%
Delaware	34,000	1,000	3.6%	8,000	-	1.1%
District of Columbia	15,000	1,000	7.7%	4,000	-	3.1%
Florida	784,000	43,000	5.4%	199,000	13,000	6.7%
Georgia	384,000	19,000	4.9%	83,000	7,000	7.8%
Hawaii	54,000	1,000	2.5%	17,000	-	2.5%
Idaho	63,000	2,000	4.0%	14,000	1,000	9.2%
Illinois	338,000	17,000	5.0%	79,000	5,000	5.8%
Indiana	238,000	6,000	2.4%	54,000	1,000	1.4%
Iowa	131,000	2,000	1.9%	33,000	-	1.1%
Kansas	99,000	6,000	6.1%	22,000	3,000	14.0%
Kentucky	137,000	8,000	5.6%	43,000	3,000	5.9%
Louisiana	171,000	8,000	4.6%	42,000	2,000	4.7%
Maine	61,000	3,000	4.5%	13,000	-	3.0%
Maryland	251,000	18,000	7.2%	83,000	8,000	9.7%
Massachusetts	160,000	9,000	5.3%	29,000	4,000	14.3%
Michigan	275,000	15,000	5.3%	49,000	1,000	2.2%
Minnesota	197,000	11,000	5.5%	42,000	4,000	10.5%
Mississippi	101,000	6,000	6.2%	26,000	1,000	4.7%
Missouri	244,000	12,000	4.8%	61,000	4,000	7.3%
Montana	52,000	3,000	5.2%	15,000	1,000	3.8%
Nebraska	76,000	3,000	3.4%	23,000	1,000	3.8%
Nevada	125,000	7,000	5.8%	39,000	3,000	7.7%
New Hampshire	65,000	2,000	3.7%	18,000	1,000	4.1%
New Jersey	182,000	10,000	5.4%	44,000	1,000	1.4%
New Mexico	96,000	5,000	5.5%	30,000	2,000	6.7%
New York	387,000	14,000	3.7%	86,000	4,000	5.2%
North Carolina	398,000	13,000	3.2%	98,000	8,000	8.0%
North Dakota	33,000	1,000	2.8%	11,000	1,000	4.7%
Ohio	398,000	13,000	3.3%	103,000	4,000	4.0%
Oklahoma	167,000	5,000	3.2%	50,000	1,000	3.0%
Oregon	158,000	9,000	5.6%	39,000	3,000	6.8%
Pennsylvania	413,000	19,000	4.7%	94,000	3,000	2.9%
Rhode Island	33,000	2,000	5.8%	8,000	1,000	9.5%
South Carolina	205,000	9,000	4.4%	58,000	5,000	8.7%
South Dakota	39,000	1,000	2.5%	10,000	-	1.4%
Tennessee	244,000	10,000	4.2%	68,000	3,000	3.8%
Texas	967,000	41,000	4.3%	314,000	16,000	5.0%
Utah	87,000	2,000	2.6%	28,000	1,000	2.2%
Vermont	22,000	1,000	3.9%	3,000	-	8.8%
Virginia	491,000	19,000	3.8%	200,000	9,000	4.5%
Washington	268,000	10,000	3.8%	73,000	3,000	4.1%
West Virginia	64,000	3,000	5.1%	16,000	1,000	5.7%
Wisconsin	214,000	8,000	3.6%	51,000	3,000	5.6%
Wyoming	30,000	1,000	3.3%	9,000	-	4.8%

Source: JEC Democratic staff using data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Notes: "-" indicates number rounds to 0 when rounded to the nearest thousand. Data are for civilians 18 years and over. State-by-state data for post-9/11 veterans are based on unpublished data from the Current Population Survey. These estimates are reported without margins of error, which may be large for post-9/11 veterans' data due to the small population of these veterans in many states. Caution should be used in comparing post-9/11 veterans' unemployment rates across states and over time.

Income, Poverty and Health Insurance Coverage by State (American Community Survey)

	Median Household Income (2015 \$)			Poverty Rate		Percentage Without Health Insurance		
	2015	2014	% Increase	2015	2014	2015	2013	Change in # Uninsured
UNITED STATES	\$55,800	\$53,700	3.8%	14.7%	15.5%	9.4%	14.5%	-15,423,000
Alabama	\$44,800	\$42,900	4.4%	18.5%	19.3%	10.1%	13.6%	-161,000
Alaska	\$73,400	\$71,700	2.3%	10.3%	11.2%	14.9%	18.5%	-26,000
Arizona	\$51,500	\$50,100	2.8%	17.4%	18.2%	10.8%	17.1%	-390,000
Arkansas	\$42,000	\$41,300	1.7%	19.1%	18.9%	9.5%	16.0%	-187,000
California	\$64,500	\$62,000	4.0%	15.3%	16.4%	8.6%	17.2%	-3,183,000
Colorado	\$63,900	\$61,400	4.2%	11.5%	12.0%	8.1%	14.1%	-297,000
Connecticut	\$71,300	\$70,100	1.8%	10.5%	10.8%	6.0%	9.4%	-122,000
Delaware	\$61,300	\$59,700	2.5%	12.4%	12.5%	5.9%	9.1%	-29,000
District of Columbia	\$75,600	\$71,700	5.5%	17.3%	17.7%	3.8%	6.7%	-17,000
Florida	\$49,400	\$47,500	4.1%	15.7%	16.5%	13.3%	20.0%	-1,191,000
Georgia	\$51,200	\$49,400	3.8%	17.0%	18.3%	13.9%	18.8%	-458,000
Hawaii	\$73,500	\$69,600	5.6%	10.6%	11.4%	4.0%	6.7%	-36,000
Idaho	\$48,300	\$47,900	0.8%	15.1%	14.8%	11.0%	16.2%	-77,000
Illinois	\$59,600	\$57,500	3.7%	13.6%	14.4%	7.1%	12.7%	-718,000
Indiana	\$50,500	\$49,500	2.1%	14.5%	15.2%	9.6%	14.0%	-275,000
Iowa	\$54,700	\$53,800	1.8%	12.2%	12.2%	5.0%	8.1%	-93,000
Kansas	\$53,900	\$52,600	2.6%	13.0%	13.6%	9.1%	12.3%	-88,000
Kentucky	\$45,200	\$43,000	5.1%	18.5%	19.1%	6.0%	14.3%	-355,000
Louisiana	\$45,700	\$44,600	2.5%	19.6%	19.8%	11.9%	16.6%	-206,000
Maine	\$51,500	\$49,500	4.0%	13.4%	14.1%	8.4%	11.2%	-37,000
Maryland	\$75,800	\$74,100	2.4%	9.7%	10.1%	6.6%	10.2%	-204,000
Massachusetts	\$70,600	\$69,200	2.0%	11.5%	11.6%	2.8%	3.7%	-57,000
Michigan	\$51,100	\$49,900	2.4%	15.8%	16.2%	6.1%	11.0%	-475,000
Minnesota	\$63,500	\$61,500	3.2%	10.2%	11.5%	4.5%	8.2%	-195,000
Mississippi	\$40,600	\$39,700	2.2%	22.0%	21.5%	12.7%	17.1%	-128,000
Missouri	\$50,200	\$48,400	3.8%	14.8%	15.5%	9.8%	13.0%	-190,000
Montana	\$49,500	\$46,400	6.8%	14.6%	15.4%	11.6%	16.5%	-46,000
Nebraska	\$55,000	\$52,700	4.3%	12.6%	12.4%	8.2%	11.3%	-55,000
Nevada	\$52,400	\$51,500	1.8%	14.7%	15.2%	12.3%	20.7%	-219,000
New Hampshire	\$70,300	\$66,600	5.6%	8.2%	9.2%	6.3%	10.7%	-57,000
New Jersey	\$72,200	\$72,000	0.3%	10.8%	11.1%	8.7%	13.2%	-389,000
New Mexico	\$45,400	\$44,800	1.2%	20.4%	21.3%	10.9%	18.6%	-158,000
New York	\$60,900	\$58,900	3.3%	15.4%	15.9%	7.1%	10.7%	-689,000
North Carolina	\$47,800	\$46,600	2.7%	16.4%	17.2%	11.2%	15.6%	-406,000
North Dakota	\$60,600	\$59,000	2.6%	11.0%	11.5%	7.8%	10.4%	-16,000
Ohio	\$51,100	\$49,300	3.5%	14.8%	15.8%	6.5%	11.0%	-511,000
Oklahoma	\$48,600	\$47,600	2.1%	16.1%	16.6%	13.9%	17.7%	-133,000
Oregon	\$54,100	\$51,100	5.9%	15.4%	16.6%	7.0%	14.7%	-291,000
Pennsylvania	\$55,700	\$53,300	4.5%	13.2%	13.6%	6.4%	9.7%	-420,000
Rhode Island	\$58,100	\$55,000	5.6%	13.9%	14.3%	5.7%	11.6%	-61,000
South Carolina	\$47,200	\$45,300	4.3%	16.6%	18.0%	10.9%	15.8%	-216,000
South Dakota	\$53,000	\$51,000	3.9%	13.7%	14.2%	10.2%	11.3%	7,000
Tennessee	\$47,300	\$44,400	6.5%	16.7%	18.3%	10.3%	13.9%	-219,000
Texas	\$55,700	\$53,100	4.8%	15.9%	17.2%	17.1%	22.1%	-1,133,000
Utah	\$62,900	\$61,000	3.2%	11.3%	11.7%	10.5%	14.0%	-91,000
Vermont	\$57,000	\$54,200	5.1%	10.2%	12.2%	3.8%	7.2%	-21,000
Virginia	\$66,300	\$65,000	2.0%	11.2%	11.8%	9.1%	12.3%	-244,000
Washington	\$64,100	\$61,400	4.4%	12.2%	13.2%	6.6%	14.0%	-492,000
West Virginia	\$42,000	\$41,100	2.3%	17.9%	18.3%	6.0%	14.0%	-147,000
Wisconsin	\$55,600	\$52,700	5.6%	12.1%	13.2%	5.7%	9.1%	-195,000
Wyoming	\$60,200	\$57,100	5.5%	11.1%	11.2%	11.5%	13.4%	-11,000

Sources: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey (ACS).

Notes: The ACS is regarded as the best source for community and local-level data while the Current Population Survey (CPS) is regarded as the best source for national-level data. National-level ACS data are included here to facilitate comparisons. According to the CPS, median household income was \$56,500 in 2015, up 5.2 percent from 2014; the poverty rate was 13.5 percent in 2015, down 1.2 percentage points from 2014; and the percentage without health insurance was 9.1 percent in 2015, down from 13.3 percent in 2013; income figures rounded to nearest hundred.

Sources: State Economic Snapshots

Includes data available as of December 16, 2016

Most of the data used to create the state snapshots were accessed through Haver Analytics.

Jobs

Bullet Points 1-3 and Figure	Bureau of Labor Statistics, Current Employment Statistics, State and Metro Area Employment, seasonally adjusted.
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Unemployment

Bullet Points 1-3	Bureau of Labor Statistics, Local Area Unemployment Statistics, seasonally adjusted.
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Earnings

Bullet Point 1	Bureau of Labor Statistics, Current Employment Statistics, State and Metro Area Employment, Hours & Earnings, Table D-6, not seasonally adjusted.
Bullet Point 2	Bureau of Labor Statistics, Current Employment Statistics, State and Metro Area Employment, Hours & Earnings, Table D-6, not seasonally adjusted. Data are inflation-adjusted using the Consumer Price Index for all urban consumers (CPI-U), not seasonally adjusted, published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

State Quick Facts

Private-Sector Jobs	Bureau of Labor Statistics, Current Employment Statistics, State and Metro Area Employment, seasonally adjusted.
Unemployment	Bureau of Labor Statistics, Local Area Unemployment Statistics, seasonally adjusted.
Household Income	U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey.
Poverty Rate	U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey.
Veterans Data	Bureau of Labor Statistics, Employment Situation of Veterans - 2015. Post-9/11 veterans' unemployment rates are from unpublished data tables.
Health Insurance	U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey.

State Gross Domestic Product

Bullet Points 1-2	Bureau of Economic Analysis, Real Gross Domestic Product by State.
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Housing

Bullet Point 1	Federal Housing and Finance Agency, Purchase-Only House Price Index, seasonally adjusted.
Bullet Point 2	U.S. Census Bureau and Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi UFJ, Housing Starts, seasonally adjusted at annual rates.

Exports

Bullet Points 1-2	U.S. Census Bureau, Origin of Movement Exports, Total Exports. Data are inflation-adjusted using the Export Price Index: All exports, published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics.
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