

Arkansas Employment Situation Summary

National Employment Data

- The U.S. economy added 253,000 jobs in April, and the United States has seen 27 consecutive months of job growth under President Biden.
- Since President Biden came into office, the United States has added 12.7 million jobs, and at 3.4%, the unemployment remains near 50-year lows.
- In April, the unemployment rate was a record-low 4.7% for Black workers, 4.4% for Hispanic workers, 3.1% for white workers, 2.8% for Asian workers, and 7.5% (not seasonally adjusted) for American Indian and Alaska Native workers

State Employment Data

- Since President Biden took office, 89,800 jobs have been created in Arkansas.
- In the month of April, 3,700 jobs were created in Arkansas.

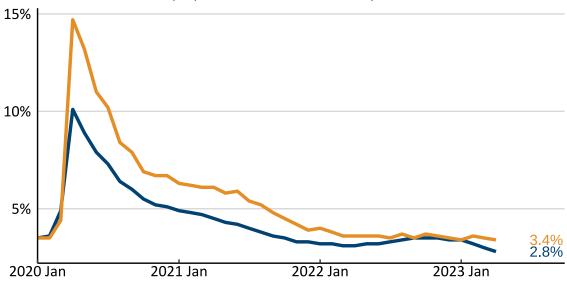
Sector	Change in Total Jobs in April	Jobs Recovered	Change in Total Jobs Since January 2021
Total Nonfarm	3,700	150%	89,800
Leisure and Hospitality	2,900	113%	18,800
Construction	1,100	680%	7,400
Government	300	61%	2,600
Education and Health Services	200	144%	8,400
Professional and Business Services	-200	142%	7,700
Manufacturing	-600	127%	7,900
Retail Trade	-900	153%	4,600

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

Note: Positive change reflects net job creation. "Recovered" refers to the share of jobs recovered since the pandemic low point as a share of jobs lost during the pandemic. Jobs lost during the pandemic are measured as the difference between the number of jobs in the industry in February 2020 and the number at the "low point" of the pandemic—the month with the fewest people employed in a given industry. The month of the low point varies by industry.

Arkansas Unemployment Rate

State and national unemployment rates, since January 2020



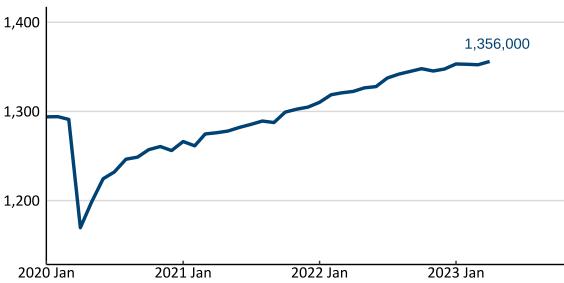
Seasonally Adjusted

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics



Arkansas Jobs Recovery

Total employment since January 2020, in thousands



Nonfarm Payroll Employment, Seasonally Adjusted

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

