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Delaware

Employment Update



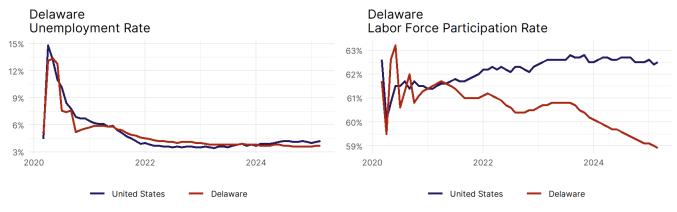
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United States Employment Snapshot

- In March, among the 50 states and the District of Columbia unemployment fell in 15, rose in 17, and remained unchanged in 19.
- The highest unemployment rate was 5.7 percent in **Nevada**, and the lowest was 1.8 percent in **South Dakota**. Nationally, the unemployment rate rose by 0.1 percentage point to 4.2 percent.
- In March, payroll jobs rose in 38 states and fell in 12. The largest payroll job percent increase was 0.5 percent in **Missouri**. The largest payroll job percent decline was 0.3 percent in **Connecticut**.

Delaware Employment Snapshot

- In March, **Delaware added 600 net payroll jobs** and the **unemployment rate remained unchanged at 3.7 percent**. In the prior month, Delaware added 1,400 net payroll jobs.
- Over the past 12 months, Delaware added 4,100 net payroll jobs and the unemployment rate remained unchanged.
- Nationally, nonfarm payrolls **rose by 228,000 in March, or 0.1 percent.** Delaware **is tied for 24th** in the nation for percentage gain in nonfarm payroll employment over the past 12 months.
- In March, **Delaware's private sector added 200 net private payroll jobs**, and over the past 12 months it added 2,600 private payroll jobs. In the prior month, Delaware added 1,600 net private payroll jobs.
- In March, employment in Delaware fell by 323, and over the past 12 months it fell by 151.
- **Delaware's labor force participation rate fell to 58.9 percent** in March from 59 percent and **ranks 42nd** in the nation. In the past 12 months, the labor force participation rate has fallen by 1 percentage point.



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