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Mississippi Employment Update



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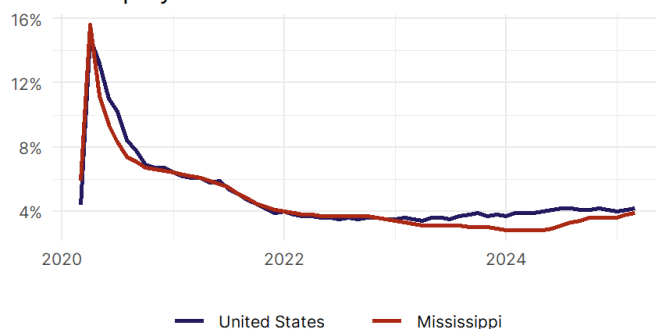
United States Employment Snapshot

- 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**.

Mississippi Employment Snapshot

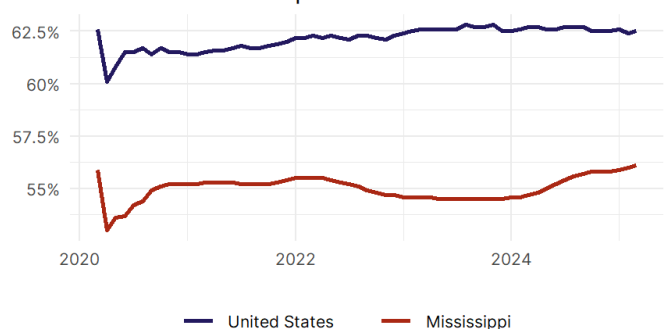
- In March, **Mississippi lost 2,900 net payroll jobs** and the **unemployment rate rose by 0.1 percentage point to 3.9 percent.** In the prior month, Mississippi remained unchanged with 0 net payroll jobs.
- Over the past 12 months, **Mississippi added 8,100 net payroll jobs** and the **unemployment rate rose by 1.1 percentage points from 2.8 percent.**
- Nationally, nonfarm payrolls **rose by 228,000 in March, or 0.1 percent.** Mississippi is **tied for 29th** in the nation for percentage gain in nonfarm payroll employment over the past 12 months.
- In March, **Mississippi's private sector lost 2,800 net private payroll jobs**, and over the past 12 months it added 5,400 private payroll jobs. In the prior month, Mississippi lost 400 net private payroll jobs.
- In March, employment in Mississippi **rose by 880**, and over the past 12 months it rose by 21,615.
- **Mississippi's labor force participation rate rose to 56.1 percent** in March from 56 percent and **ranks 50th** in the nation. In the past 12 months, the labor force participation rate has risen by 1.4 percentage points.

Mississippi
Unemployment Rate



Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, data is seasonally adjusted

Mississippi
Labor Force Participation Rate



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