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Alabama Employment Update



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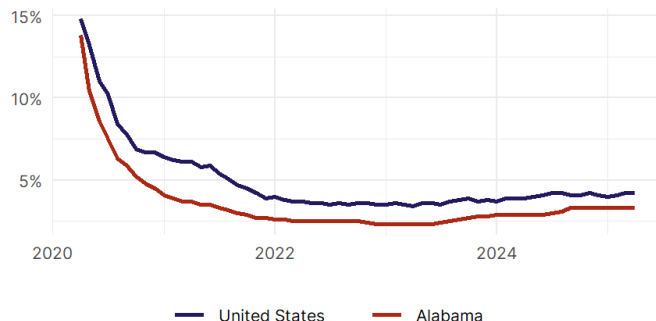
United States Employment Snapshot

- In April, among the 50 states and the District of Columbia **unemployment fell in 5, rose in 20, and remained unchanged in 26.**
- The highest unemployment rate was 5.8 percent in **District of Columbia**, and the lowest was 1.8 percent in **South Dakota**. Nationally, the unemployment rate remained unchanged in April.
- In April, **payroll jobs rose in 40 states and fell in 11.** The largest payroll job percent increase was 0.4 percent in **Mississippi**. The largest payroll job percent decline was 0.2 percent in **Vermont**.

Alabama Employment Snapshot

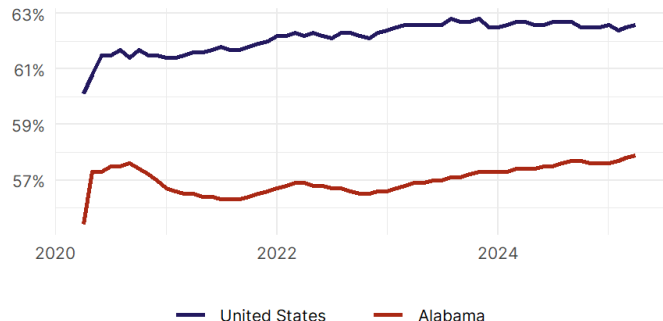
- In April, **Alabama added 4,000 net payroll jobs** and the **unemployment rate remained unchanged at 3.3 percent.** In the prior month, Alabama added 7,700 net payroll jobs.
- Over the past 12 months, **Alabama added 26,800 net payroll jobs** and the **unemployment rate rose by 0.4 percentage points from 2.9 percent.**
- Nationally, nonfarm payrolls **rose by 177,000 in April, or 0.1 percent.** Alabama **is tied for 17th** in the nation for percentage gain in nonfarm payroll employment over the past 12 months.
- In April, **Alabama's private sector added 3,700 net private payroll jobs**, and over the past 12 months it added 21,700 private payroll jobs. In the prior month, Alabama added 7,600 net private payroll jobs.
- In April, employment in Alabama **rose by 7,208**, and over the past 12 months it rose by 32,204.
- **Alabama's labor force participation rate rose to 57.9 percent** in April from 57.8 percent and **is tied for 46th** in the nation. In the past 12 months, the labor force participation rate has risen by 0.5 percentage points.

Alabama
Unemployment Rate



Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, data is seasonally adjusted

Alabama
Labor Force Participation Rate



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