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Michigan Employment Update



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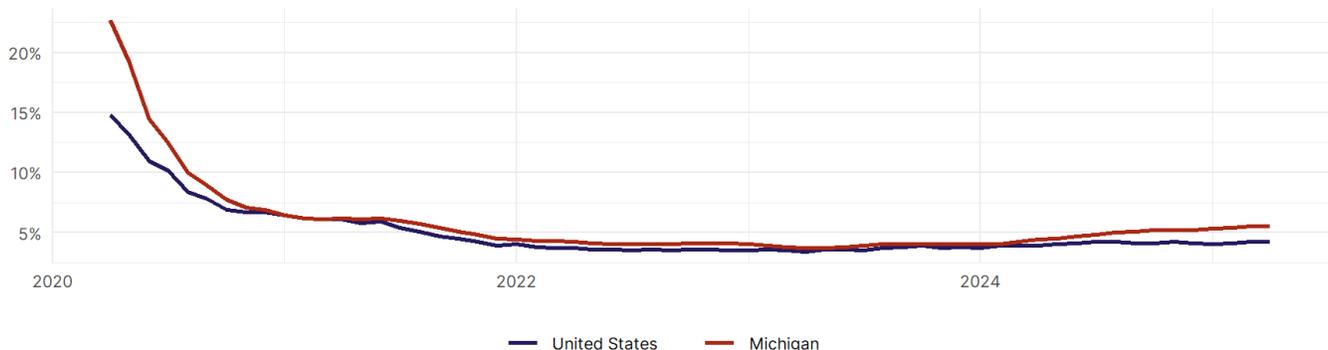
United States Employment Snapshot

- 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**.

Michigan Employment Snapshot

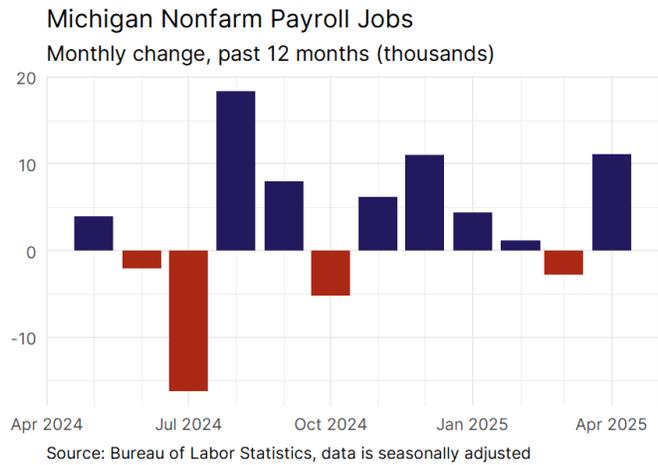
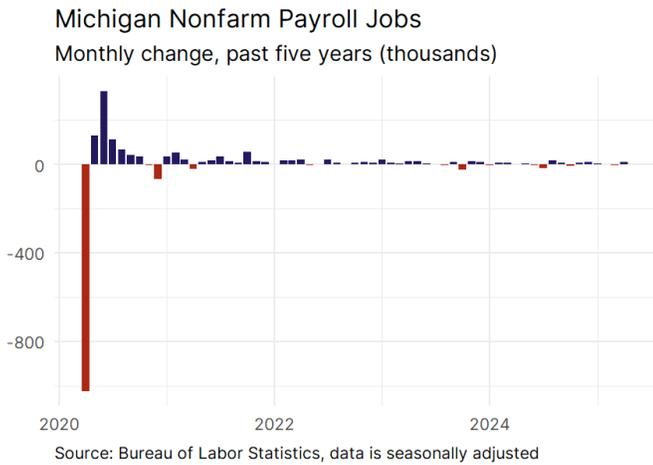
- In April, **Michigan added 11,100 net payroll jobs** and the **unemployment rate remained unchanged at 5.5 percent.** In the prior month, Michigan lost 2,800 net payroll jobs.
- Over the past 12 months, **Michigan added 37,900 net payroll jobs** and the **unemployment rate rose by 1.1 percentage points from 4.4 percent.**
- Nationally, nonfarm payrolls **rose by 177,000 in April, or 0.1 percent.** Michigan **is tied for 27th** in the nation for percentage gain in nonfarm payroll employment over the past 12 months.
- In April, **Michigan's private sector added 9,700 net private payroll jobs**, and over the past 12 months it added 28,600 private payroll jobs. In the prior month, Michigan lost 4,400 net private payroll jobs.
- In April, employment in Michigan **fell by 2,770**, and over the past 12 months it fell by 8,847.
- **Michigan's labor force participation rate remained steady at 62 percent** in April and **ranks 33rd** in the nation. In the past 12 months, the labor force participation rate has risen by 0.3 percentage points.

Michigan
Unemployment Rate



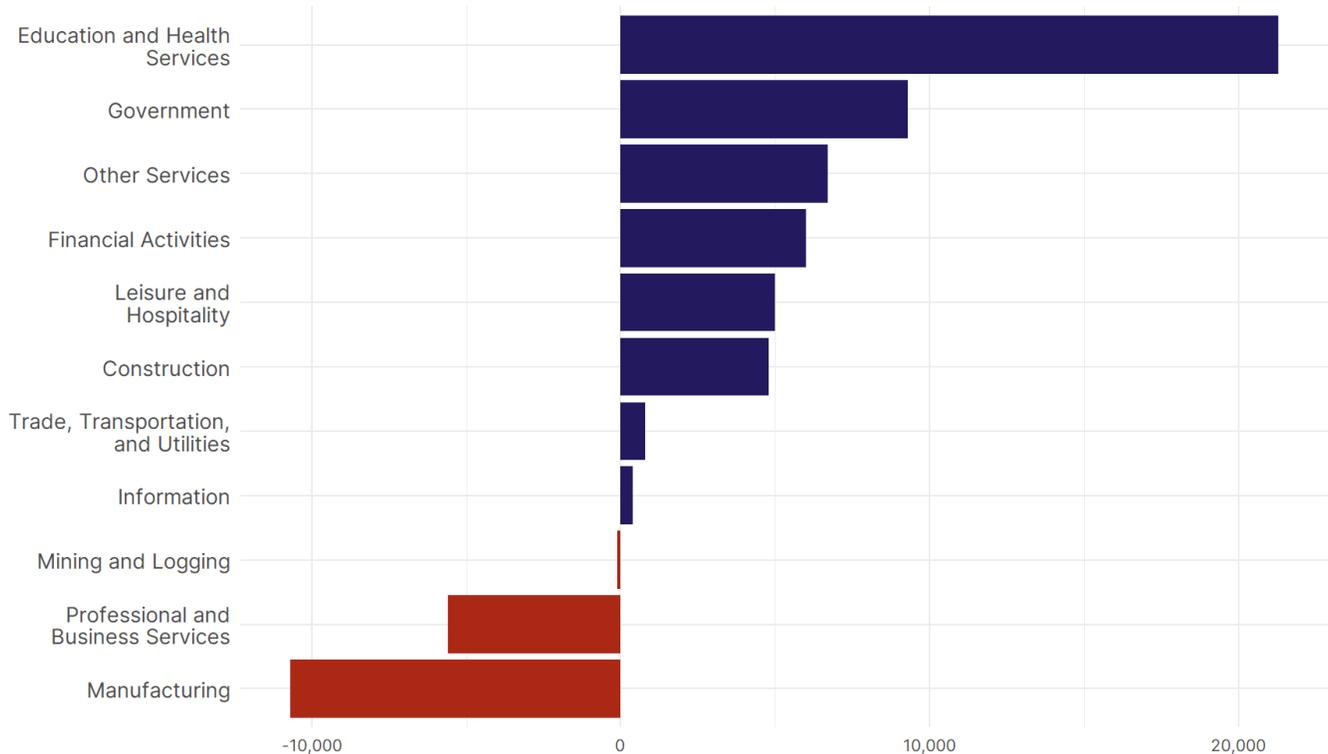
Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, data is seasonally adjusted

Michigan Payroll Employment



- **Michigan added 11,100 net payroll jobs, or 0.2 percent,** on a seasonally adjusted basis during April. In the prior month, Michigan lost 2,800 jobs. Michigan nonfarm payroll employment has increased in **8 of the past 12 months.**
- Nationally, nonfarm payrolls **rose by 177,000 in April, or 0.1 percent.** Michigan is tied for 27th in the nation for percentage gain in nonfarm payroll employment over the past 12 months.
- **Michigan added 9,700 private sector jobs, or 0.2 percent,** on a seasonally adjusted basis during April. In the prior month, Michigan lost 4,400 jobs. Michigan private sector payroll employment has increased in **8 of the past 12 months.**
- Nationally, private sector payroll jobs **rose by 167,000 jobs in April, or 0.1 percent.** Michigan is tied for 30th in the nation for percentage gain in private sector payroll employment over the past 12 months.

Change in Michigan Payroll Employment by Sector over past 12 months



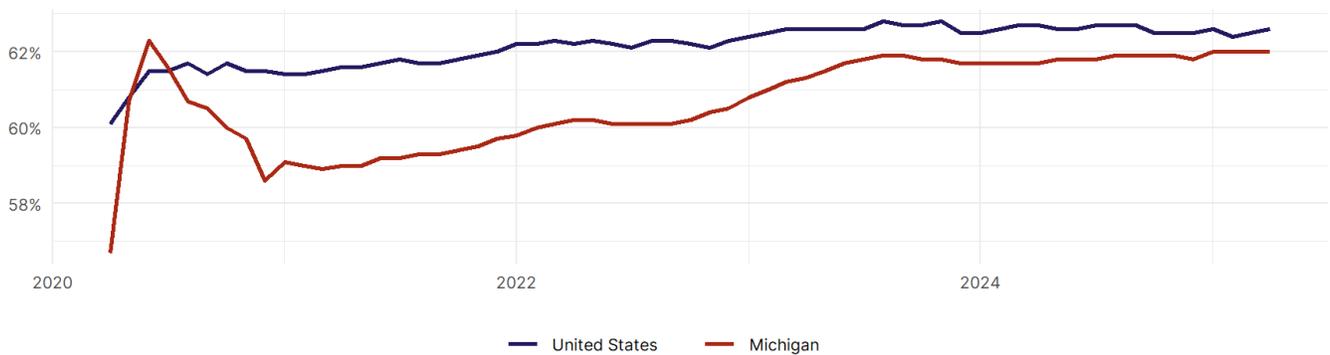
- The best performing sectors on a seasonally adjusted basis during April were **Education and Health Services (2,600)** and **Construction (1,900)**.
- The poorest performing sectors during the month were **Financial Activities (-100)** and **Mining and Logging (-100)**.
- The best performing sectors during the last 12 months were **Education and Health Services (21,300)** and **Government (9,300)**.
- The poorest performing sectors during the last 12 months were **Professional and Business Services (-5,600)** and **Manufacturing (-10,700)**.

Michigan Labor Force

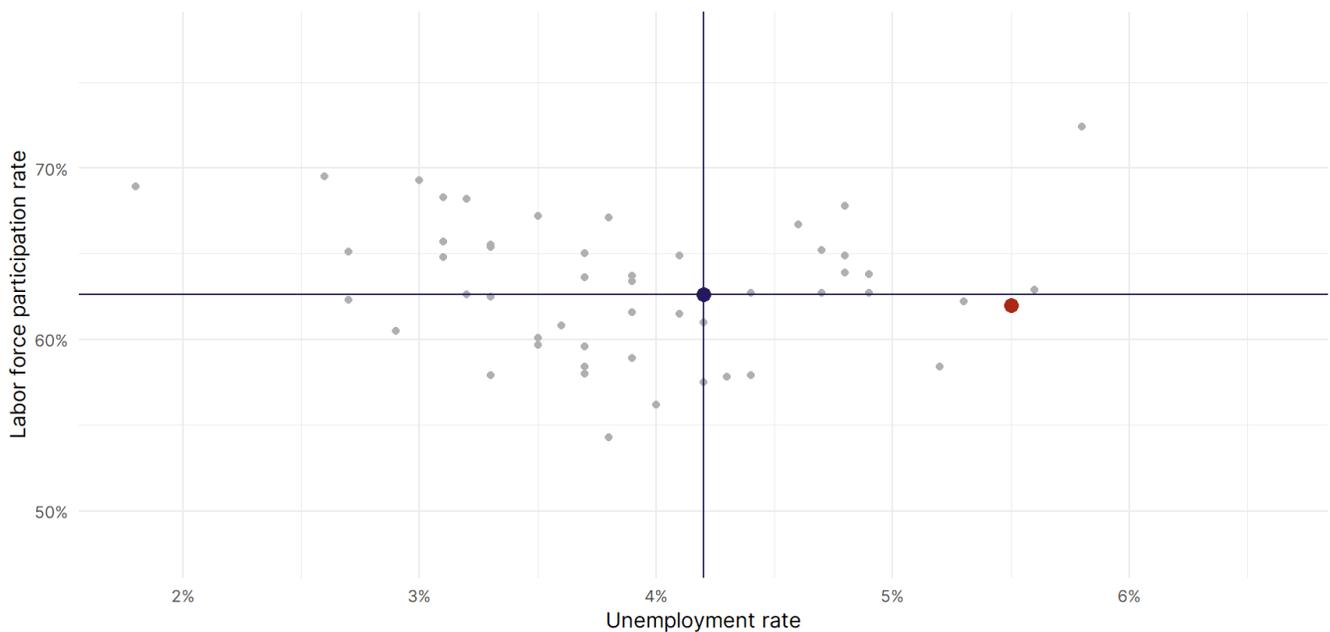
The labor force participation rate is the percentage of the civilian noninstitutionalized population age 16 and older who are employed or actively looking for work.

- The labor force participation rate in **Michigan remained unchanged at 62 percent in April**.
- **Michigan ranks 33rd** in the nation.
- The 10-year high for the labor force participation rate in Michigan was **62.3 percent** in June 2020, and the 10-year low was **56.7 percent** in April 2020.
- The national labor force participation rate **rose by 0.1 percentage points to 62.6 percent** in April.

Michigan Labor Force Participation Rate



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