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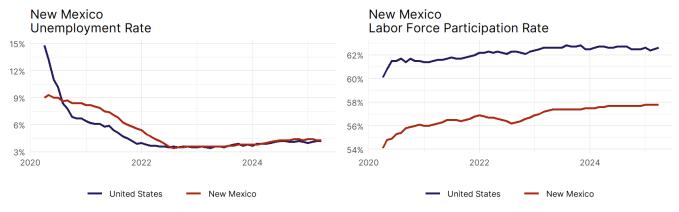
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## **United States** Employment Snapshot

- 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**.

## **New Mexico** Employment Snapshot

- In April, New Mexico lost 900 net payroll jobs and the unemployment rate remained unchanged at 4.3 percent. In the prior month, New Mexico lost 100 net payroll jobs.
- Over the past 12 months, New Mexico added 13,400 net payroll jobs and the unemployment rate rose by 0.3
  percentage points from 4 percent.
- Nationally, nonfarm payrolls **rose by 177,000 in April, or 0.1 percent.** New Mexico **is tied for 6th** in the nation for percentage gain in nonfarm payroll employment over the past 12 months.
- In April, **New Mexico's private sector lost 1,100 net private payroll jobs**, and over the past 12 months it added 12,200 private payroll jobs. In the prior month, New Mexico lost 100 net private payroll jobs.
- In April, employment in New Mexico rose by 1,053, and over the past 12 months it rose by 5,737.
- New Mexico's labor force participation rate remained steady at 57.8 percent in April and ranks 48th in the nation. In the past 12 months, the labor force participation rate has risen by 0.2 percentage points.



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