

Labor Market Report

August



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The *Arkansas Labor Market* is prepared monthly in conjunction with the U.S. Depart- ment of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS). The current month’s estimates are preliminary, while previous month’s data is subject to revision.

Estimates of nonfarm payroll jobs show the number of jobs by industry and reflect employment by place of work. Hours and earnings estimates are based on payroll and worker-hour data collected for production workers in manufacturing industries.

Industries are classified according to the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS). All estimates are based on a first quarter 2018 benchmark.

###### Explanation of Terms and Concepts Monthly Business Survey of Employers

A monthly sample survey designed to provide industry information on nonfarm payroll jobs. Data are compiled each month from mail surveys and telephone interviews conducted by the Bureau of Labor Statistics in cooperation with Department of Work- force Services. The data are based on es- tablishment records and include all workers, full-or part-time, who received pay during the payroll period which includes the 12th of

## Technical Notes

the month. Approximately 5,000 Arkansas

business establishments are surveyed.

###### Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA)

A term applied by the U.S. Office of Man- agement and Budget to counties that have one or more central cities and that meet specified criteria of population density, com- muting patterns and social and economic integration.

###### Current Population Survey (CPS)

A monthly sample survey of the popula- tion 16 years of age and over, designed to provide data on the labor force, the employed and the unemployed. The survey is conducted each month by the Bureau of the Census for BLS. The information is collected by trained interviewers from a sample of about 60,000 households. The data collected are based on the activity reported for the calendar week including the 12th of the month. Approximately 800 Arkansas households are represented in the sample survey.

###### Civilian Labor Force

The sum of all employed and unemployed persons 16 years of age or older. Members of the Armed Forces are excluded.

###### Employment

An estimate of the number of persons who worked any time for pay or profit or worked 15 hours or more as unpaid workers in a family business during the calendar week which includes the 12th of the month. Also included are those who, although not work- ing, had some job attachment and were not looking for work, and persons involved in labor management disputes.

###### Unemployment

An estimate of the number of persons who did not have a job, but were available for work and actively seeking work during the calendar week which includes the 12th of the month.

###### Unemployment Rate

The number of unemployed as a percentage of the civilian labor force. Unemployment rates are calculated from unrounded data.

###### Seasonal Adjustment

A statistical technique applied to monthly data to eliminate changes that normally oc- cur during the year due to seasonal events such as weather, major holidays, schedule shifts, harvest times, and the opening/clos- ing of schools.

## August Spotlight

**Seasonal Employment Trends (Part 2 of 2)**

### As discussed in the July Labor Market Report, employment in some major industry sectors is directly influenced by seasonal trends. When employment from multiple years is compared, these patterns become apparent. Seasonal trends are related to set schedules of operation, holidays, and weather patterns. Last month’s Spotlight discussed the seasonal trends seen in state and local government, educational services, and **leisure and hospitality**. In this issue, the seasonality of **construction** and professional-scientific-technical services are highlighted, along with some of the industries that are *indirectly* affected by seasonal movements.

Employment in the **construction** sector is sig- nificantly affected by weather patterns. While construction operations run year round, more

#### Chart 4. Jobs in Construction

##### January 2017 - August 2019

56,000

### projects are commissioned during the spring

55,000

and summer than in the winter. In general, em- ployment in **construction** begins to increase in March, often peaking in September or October.

54,000

53,000

### Employment then tends to decline after October

52,000

(see Chart 4). These weather patterns are a gen- eralization, as non-typical weather events will also influence jobs in **construction**. On the other hand, large scale projects can cause employment spikes that are unrelated to the weather.

Found under the **professional and business ser- vices** sector, the professional-scientific-technical

51,000

50,000

49,000

48,000

47,000

46,000

### services subsector includes a particular type of

45,000

business that is highly seasonal-- accounting and tax preparation services. Seasonal hiring related

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### to tax preparation usually begins in November or December, with employment in the subsector peaking from February to April. Employment tends to remain fairly constant throughout the summer and fall months. While this seasonal trend is significant, employment in accounting and tax preparation is not large enough to affect the trend of the **professional and business services** sector as a whole.



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There are also other seasonal businesses, many of which may not be visible when tracking the movement of a major industry sector. For example, landscaping services is influenced by weather and the seasons. Employ- ment in landscaping services increases during the spring and summer months, but the number of workers is not large enough to impact the movement of the administrative and support services subsector as a whole. Similar- ly, employment in other services to buildings and dwellings (also under the administrative and support services subsector) tends to increase in the spring and summer. This includes activities such as cleaning swimming pools, driveways, and gutters and power-washing building exteriors.

It is important to keep in mind that some other industries are *indirectly* affected by these seasonal employment fluctuations. The timber industry, for example, relies heavily on the **construction** sector and may experience declines and increases in employment related to construction patterns. Similarly, movement within the retail trade sector will affect both wholesale trade and the transportation of goods. Some industries are indirectly affected by school closures in the summer. Employment in day care services (found under the social assistance subsector) increases in the summer when schools are closed, as does employment at businesses such as day camps and summer sports programs. There are also many non-profit organizations (under **Other Services**) with activities designed for children during the summer months.

**State of Arkansas**

**Civilian Labor Force Summary**

Labor force data, produced by the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics and released by the Arkansas Division of Workforce Services, show Arkansas’ seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was unchanged at 3.4 percent between July and August. Arkansas’ civilian labor force declined 873, a result of 832 fewer employed and 41 fewer unemployed Arkansans. The United States’ jobless rate was also stable between July and August, remaining at 3.7 percent.

BLS Program Operations Manager Susan Price said, “Mirroring the trend seen at the national level, Ar- kansas’ unemployment rate remained stable in August. At 3.4 percent, the State maintains its lowest unemployment rate on record.”

**Civilian Labor Force Estimates**

Seasonally Adjusted

Not Seasonally Adjusted

Employment 1,315,649 1,316,481 1,301,386 Employment 1,310,876 1,327,070 1,303,679

Unemployment 46,865 46,906 49,101 Unemployment 48,726 54,577 48,951

Unemployment Rate 3.4 3.4 3.6 Unemployment Rate 3.6 4.0 3.6

U.S. Unemployment 3.7 3.7 3.8 U.S. Unemployment 3.8 4.0 3.9

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **Aug 19** | **Jul 19** | **Aug 18** | **Aug 19** | **Jul 19** | **Aug 18** |
| Civilian Labor Force | 1,362,514 | 1,363,387 | 1,350,487 Civilian Labor Force | 1,359,602 | 1,381,647 | 1,352,630 |

1,340,000

#### Number of Employed (Seasonally Adjusted)

##### August 2014 - August 2019



**August 2019**

1,320,000

1,300,000

1,280,000

1,260,000

1,240,000

1,220,000

1,200,000

Aug '14 Feb '15 Aug '15 Feb '16 Aug '16 Feb '17 Aug '17 Feb '18 Aug '18 Feb '19 Aug '19



|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  |  | **August 2019** |
| **State of Arkansas** |  |
| **Not Seasonally Adjusted** |  |
| (In Thousands) |  |
| **(NAICS)** | **Aug 19 Jul 19 Aug 18** | **OTM OTY** |
| **Total Nonfarm** | 1269.7 1266.7 1254.9 | 3.0 14.8 |
| **Goods Producing** | 224.2 223.2 218.4 | 1.0 5.8 |
| **Mining, Logging, and Construction** | 60.1 60.4 57.6 | -0.3 2.5 |
| **Mining & Logging** | **5.8 5.9 6.0** | **-0.1 -0.2** |
| **Construction** | **54.3 54.5 51.6** | **-0.2 2.7** |
| **Specialty Trade Contractors** | 33.4 33.7 32.8 | -0.3 0.6 |
| **Manufacturing** | **164.1 162.8 160.8** | **1.3 3.3** |
| **Durable Goods** | 78.4 77.6 76.5 | 0.8 1.9 |
| **Nondurable Goods** | 85.7 85.2 84.3 | 0.5 1.4 |
| **Service Providing** | 1045.5 1043.5 1036.5 | 2.0 9.0 |
| **Trade, Transportation & Utilities** | **253.0 254.8 251.6** | **-1.8 1.4** |
| **Wholesale Trade** | 49.1 49.4 47.4 | -0.3 1.7 |
| **Retail Trade** | 138.7 140.3 138.8 | -1.6 -0.1 |
| **Transport, Warehousing & Utilities** | 65.2 65.1 65.4 | 0.1 -0.2 |
| **Information** | **11.0 11.0 11.1** | **0.0 -0.1** |
| **Financial Activities** | **63.4 62.9 61.2** | **0.5 2.2** |
| **Finance & Insurance** | 49.0 48.6 47.3 | 0.4 1.7 |
| **Real Estate & Rental & Leasing** | 14.4 14.3 13.9 | 0.1 0.5 |
| **Professional & Business Services** | **144.5 145.6 145.7** | **-1.1 -1.2** |
| **Professional, Scientific & Technical** | 43.2 44.5 44.0 | -1.3 -0.8 |
| **Management of Companies** | 36.3 35.9 34.7 | 0.4 1.6 |
| **Administrative & Support Services** | 65.0 65.2 67.0 | -0.2 -2.0 |
| **Educational & Health Services** | **191.5 189.0 189.6** | **2.5 1.9** |
| **Educational Services** | 12.8 12.6 12.6 | 0.2 0.2 |
| **Health Care & Social Assistance** | 178.7 176.4 177.0 | 2.3 1.7 |
| **Ambulatory Health Care** | 59.3 59.1 58.6 | 0.2 0.7 |
| **Social Assistance** | 40.6 39.2 39.9 | 1.4 0.7 |
| **Leisure & Hospitality** | **125.5 127.4 122.1** | **-1.9 3.4** |
| **Arts, Entertainment & Recreation** | 12.6 13.1 12.7 | -0.5 -0.1 |
| **Accommodation & Food Services** | 112.9 114.3 109.4 | -1.4 3.5 |
| **Accommodation Services** | 11.8 12.2 11.9 | -0.4 -0.1 |
| **Food Services** | 101.1 102.1 97.5 | -1.0 3.6 |
| **Other Services** | **53.7 53.9 53.8** | **-0.2 -0.1** |
| **Government** | **202.9 198.9 201.4** | **4.0 1.5** |
| **Federal Government** | 20.5 20.3 20.1 | 0.2 0.4 |
| **State Government** | 74.7 72.9 74.3 | 1.8 0.4 |
| **Local Government** | 107.7 105.7 107.0 | 2.0 0.7 |

# Nonfarm Payroll Jobs



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## State of Arkansas

**Nonfarm Payroll Job Summary**

**July 2019 - August 2019**

Nonfarm payroll jobs in Arkansas rose 3,000 in August to total 1,269,700. Gains were reported in four major industry sectors, more than offsetting declines in six sectors. The largest increase occurred in **government** (+4,000), as public schools and universities began the 2019-2020 school year. **Educa- tional and health services** added 2,500 jobs. Much of the expansion was in social assistance (+1,400), which includes education-related activities such as child and youth services, vocational rehabilitation, and day care centers. Jobs in **manufacturing** rose 1,300, with the largest gains in durable goods manu- facturing (+800). The greatest decrease occurred in **leisure and hospitality** (-1,900). The biggest loss was in food services (-1,000), due to reported contractions at limited service restaurants and snack bars. Notable declines were also posted in **trade-transportation-utilities** (-1,800) and in **professional and**

**business services** (-1,100).

**August 2018 - August 2019**

Compared to August 2018, Arkansas’ nonfarm payroll jobs are up 14,800. Seven major industry sec- tors added jobs, all increasing by 1,400 or more jobs, each. Employment in **leisure and hospitality** rose 3,400. All growth was in food services (+3,600). Jobs in **manufacturing** expanded 3,300, with reported hiring in both durable (+1,900) and nondurable (+1,400) goods manufacturing. Employment in construction is up 2,700, as large projects continue. **Financial activities** rose 2,200. A majority of the gains were reported in finance and insurance (+1,700). **Educational and health services** added 1,900 jobs, mostly in health care and social assistance (+1,700). Sizable growth also occurred in **government** (+1,500) and **trade-transportation-utilities** (+1,400). **Professional and business services** posted the largest decline (-1,200). Most of the loss was reported in administrative and support services (-2,000), a subsector which includes employment agencies.

#### Over-the-Year Employment Change by Industry Sector (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

##### August 2018 vs August 2019

Leisure & Hospitality

Manufacturing

Construction

Financial Activities

Educational & Health

Government

Trade-Transport-Utilities

Other Services

Information

Mining & Logging

Professional & Business

-2,000 -1,000 0 1,000 2,000 3,000 4,000

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**Production Workers- Hours and Earnings**

**Manufacturing**

**Aug 18**

42.8

17.59

752.85

**Jul 19**

40.8

18.64

760.51

**Aug 19**

Average Weekly Hours 41.2

Average Hourly Earnings 18.50

Average Weekly Earnings 762.20

**Durable Goods and Nondurable Goods Manufacturing**

**Aug 18**

42.0

15.60

655.20

**Jul 19**

40.7

16.63

676.84

**Aug 19**

Average Weekly Hours 40.5

Average Hourly Earnings 16.70

Average Weekly Earnings 676.35

**Aug 18**

43.6

19.85

865.46

**Jul 19**

41.0

20.90

856.90

**Aug 19**

Average Weekly Hours 42.0

Average Hourly Earnings 20.47

Average Weekly Earnings 859.74

Nondurable Goods Manufacturing

Durable Goods Manufacturing

$25.00

#### Average Hourly Earnings- Durable Goods vs Nondurable Goods Manufacturing

##### August: 2009 - 2019



**August 2019**

$20.00

$15.00

$10.00

$5.00

$-

2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019

Durable Goods Nondurable Goods

## Metropolitan Statistical Areas

**Little Rock-North Little Rock-Conway MSA**

##### The Little Rock-North Little Rock-Conway MSA = Faulkner, Grant, Lonoke, Perry, Pulaski, & Saline counties.

**Civilian Labor Force Estimates (Not Seasonally Adjusted)**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **Aug 19** | **Jul 19** | **Aug 18** | **OTM** | **OTY** |
| **Civilian Labor Force** | 357,838 | 366,962 | 357,677 | -9,124 | 161 |
| **Employment** | 346,100 | 353,767 | 345,914 | -7,667 | 186 |
| **Unemployment** | 11,738 | 13,195 | 11,763 | -1,457 | -25 |
| **Unemployment Rate** | 3.3 | 3.6 | 3.3 | -0.3 | 0.0 |

**Nonfarm Payroll Jobs (Not Seasonally Adjusted)**

(In Thousands)

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **NAICS Aug 19** | **Jul 19** | **Aug 18** | **OTM** | **OTY** |
| **Total Nonfarm** 362.8 | 363.5 | 361.5 | -0.7 | 1.3 |
| **Goods Producing** 38.4 | 38.3 | 38.4 | 0.1 | 0.0 |
| **Mining, Logging & Construction 17.3** | **17.2** | **17.4** | **0.1** | **-0.1** |
| **Manufacturing 21.1** | **21.1** | **21.0** | **0.0** | **0.1** |
| **Service Providing** 324.4 | 325.2 | 323.1 | -0.8 | 1.3 |
| **Trade, Transportation & Utilities 70.5** | **71.0** | **70.4** | **-0.5** | **0.1** |
| **Wholesale Trade** 16.4 | 16.4 | 15.9 | 0.0 | 0.5 |
| **Retail Trade** 38.0 | 38.6 | 38.8 | -0.6 | -0.8 |
| **Trans., Warehousing & Utilities** 16.1 | 16.0 | 15.7 | 0.1 | 0.4 |
| **Information 4.1** | **4.2** | **4.2** | **-0.1** | **-0.1** |
| **Financial Activities 21.7** | **21.7** | **21.4** | **0.0** | **0.3** |
| **Professional & Business Services 48.0** | **48.9** | **49.4** | **-0.9** | **-1.4** |
| **Educational & Health Services 58.1** | **58.2** | **57.0** | **-0.1** | **1.1** |
| **Leisure & Hospitality 36.2** | **36.3** | **35.6** | **-0.1** | **0.6** |
| **Other Services 16.2** | **16.3** | **15.9** | **-0.1** | **0.3** |
| **Government 69.6** | **68.6** | **69.2** | **1.0** | **0.4** |
| **Federal Government** 9.8 | 9.7 | 9.6 | 0.1 | 0.2 |
| **State Government** 34.9 | 34.3 | 34.6 | 0.6 | 0.3 |
| **Local Government** 24.9 | 24.6 | 25.0 | 0.3 | -0.1 |

**Unemployment Rates**

##### August: 2009 - 2019

8.0%

#### Nonfarm Payroll Jobs

##### January 2017 - August 2019

370,000

7.0%

365,000

6.0%

5.0% 360,000

4.0%

355,000

3.0%

2.0% 350,000

1.0%



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0.0%

'09 '10 '11 '12 '13 '14 '15 '16 '17 '18 '19

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## Metropolitan Statistical Areas

**Fayetteville-Springdale-Rogers MSA**

##### The Fayetteville-Springdale-Rogers MSA = Benton, Madison, & Washington counties in Arkansas

and McDonald county in Missouri.

**Civilian Labor Force Estimates (Not Seasonally Adjusted)**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **Aug 19** | **Jul 19** | **Aug 18** | **OTM** | **OTY** |
| **Civilian Labor Force** | 282,163 | 286,734 | 274,988 | -4,571 | 7,175 |
| **Employment** | 274,805 | 278,628 | 267,367 | -3,823 | 7,438 |
| **Unemployment** | 7,358 | 8,106 | 7,621 | -748 | -263 |
| **Unemployment Rate** | 2.6 | 2.8 | 2.8 | -0.2 | -0.2 |

**Nonfarm Payroll Jobs (Not Seasonally Adjusted)**

(In Thousands)

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **NAICS Aug 19** | **Jul 19** | **Aug 18** | **OTM** | **OTY** |
| **Total Nonfarm** 264.5 | 262.6 | 256.2 | 1.9 | 8.3 |
| **Goods Producing** 43.0 | 42.9 | 41.5 | 0.1 | 1.5 |
| **Mining, Logging & Construction 12.3** | **12.5** | **11.8** | **-0.2** | **0.5** |
| **Manufacturing 30.7** | **30.4** | **29.7** | **0.3** | **1.0** |
| **Service Providing** 221.5 | 219.7 | 214.7 | 1.8 | 6.8 |
| **Trade, Transportation & Utilities 57.1** | **57.2** | **56.1** | **-0.1** | **1.0** |
| **Wholesale Trade** 12.6 | 12.5 | 12.2 | 0.1 | 0.4 |
| **Retail Trade** 26.7 | 26.9 | 26.3 | -0.2 | 0.4 |
| **Trans., Warehousing & Utilities** 17.8 | 17.8 | 17.6 | 0.0 | 0.2 |
| **Information 2.2** | **2.2** | **2.1** | **0.0** | **0.1** |
| **Financial Activities 8.6** | **8.6** | **8.3** | **0.0** | **0.3** |
| **Professional & Business Services 53.4** | **52.7** | **49.7** | **0.7** | **3.7** |
| **Educational & Health Services 29.7** | **29.2** | **28.6** | **0.5** | **1.1** |
| **Leisure & Hospitality 26.3** | **26.6** | **27.2** | **-0.3** | **-0.9** |
| **Other Services 9.5** | **9.5** | **9.2** | **0.0** | **0.3** |
| **Government 34.7** | **33.7** | **33.5** | **1.0** | **1.2** |
| **Federal Government** 2.7 | 2.7 | 2.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| **State Government** 14.4 | 13.5 | 13.4 | 0.9 | 1.0 |
| **Local Government** 17.6 | 17.5 | 17.4 | 0.1 | 0.2 |

**Number of Employed**

##### August 2016 - August 2019

285,000

#### Jobs in Service-Providing Industries

##### August: 1999 - 2019

250,000

280,000

275,000

200,000

150,000

100,000

50,000

Aug '16 Feb '17 Aug '17 Feb '18 Aug '18 Feb '19 Aug '19 0



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|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 270,000 |  |
| 265,000 |  |
| 260,000 |  |
| 255,000 |  |
| 250,000 |  |
| 245,000 |  |
| 240,000 |  |

'99 '01 '03 '05 '07 '09 '11 '13 '15 '17 '19

## Metropolitan Statistical Areas

**Fort Smith MSA**

The Fort Smith MSA = Crawford & Sebastian counties in Arkansas & LeFlore & Sequoyah counties in Oklahoma.

**Civilian Labor Force Estimates (Not Seasonally Adjusted)**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **Aug 19** | **Jul 19** | **Aug 18** | **OTM** | **OTY** |
| **Civilian Labor Force** | 118,652 | 120,369 | 118,922 | -1,717 | -270 |
| **Employment** | 114,220 | 115,679 | 114,584 | -1,459 | -364 |
| **Unemployment** | 4,432 | 4,690 | 4,338 | -258 | 94 |
| **Unemployment Rate** | 3.7 | 3.9 | 3.6 | -0.2 | 0.1 |

**Nonfarm Payroll Jobs (Not Seasonally Adjusted)**

(In Thousands)

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **NAICS Aug 19** | **Jul 19** | **Aug 18** | **OTM** | **OTY** |
| **Total Nonfarm** 112.0 | 111.5 | 112.5 | 0.5 | -0.5 |
| **Goods Producing** 22.9 | 22.9 | 23.0 | 0.0 | -0.1 |
| **Mining, Logging & Construction 5.2** | **5.2** | **5.4** | **0.0** | **-0.2** |
| **Manufacturing 17.7** | **17.7** | **17.6** | **0.0** | **0.1** |
| **Service Providing** 89.1 | 88.6 | 89.5 | 0.5 | -0.4 |
| **Trade, Transportation & Utilities 22.8** | **23.0** | **23.1** | **-0.2** | **-0.3** |
| **Wholesale Trade** 4.2 | 4.2 | 4.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| **Retail Trade** 12.2 | 12.3 | 12.4 | -0.1 | -0.2 |
| **Trans., Warehousing & Utilities** 6.4 | 6.5 | 6.5 | -0.1 | -0.1 |
| **Information 1.1** | **1.2** | **1.2** | **-0.1** | **-0.1** |
| **Financial Activities 4.0** | **4.0** | **3.9** | **0.0** | **0.1** |
| **Professional & Business Services 12.7** | **13.1** | **13.1** | **-0.4** | **-0.4** |
| **Educational & Health Services 17.3** | **17.2** | **17.0** | **0.1** | **0.3** |
| **Leisure & Hospitality 9.7** | **9.8** | **9.6** | **-0.1** | **0.1** |
| **Other Services 4.5** | **4.5** | **4.5** | **0.0** | **0.0** |
| **Government 17.0** | **15.8** | **17.1** | **1.2** | **-0.1** |
| **Federal Government** 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| **State Government** 2.9 | 2.9 | 2.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| **Local Government** 12.8 | 11.6 | 12.9 | 1.2 | -0.1 |

#### Number of Unemployed

##### August: 2009 - 2019

12,000

#### Jobs in Leisure and Hospitality

##### January 2017 - August 2019

10,200

10,000

10,000

9,800

8,000

9,600

9,400

6,000

9,200

9,000

4,000

8,800

2,000 8,600



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8,400 J F M A M J J A S O N D

2017 2018 2019

## Metropolitan Statistical Areas

**Hot Springs MSA**

The Hot Springs MSA = Garland County.

**Civilian Labor Force Estimates (Not Seasonally Adjusted)**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **Aug 19** | **Jul 19** | **Aug 18** | **OTM** | **OTY** |
| **Civilian Labor Force** | 41,590 | 42,849 | 41,095 | -1,259 | 495 |
| **Employment** | 40,024 | 41,091 | 39,486 | -1,067 | 538 |
| **Unemployment** | 1,566 | 1,758 | 1,609 | -192 | -43 |
| **Unemployment Rate** | 3.8 | 4.1 | 3.9 | -0.3 | -0.1 |

**Nonfarm Payroll Jobs (Not Seasonally Adjusted)**

(In Thousands)

**NAICS**

**Total Nonfarm Goods Producing Service Providing Government**

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Aug 19** | **Jul 19** | **Aug 18** | **OTM** | **OTY** |
| 39.5 | 39.6 | 38.8 | -0.1 | 0.7 |
| 4.5 | 4.5 | 4.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 35.0 | 35.1 | 34.3 | -0.1 | 0.7 |
| 4.3 | 4.0 | 4.3 | 0.3 | 0.0 |

42,000

#### Number of Employed

##### January 2017 - August 2019

41,000

40,000

39,000

38,000

37,000

36,000



**August 2019**

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2017 2018 2019

## Metropolitan Statistical Areas

**Jonesboro MSA**

The Jonesboro MSA = Craighead & Poinsett counties.

**Civilian Labor Force Estimates (Not Seasonally Adjusted)**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **Aug 19** | **Jul 19** | **Aug 18** | **OTM** | **OTY** |
| **Civilian Labor Force** | 65,353 | 66,655 | 64,535 | -1,302 | 818 |
| **Employment** | 63,428 | 64,439 | 62,525 | -1,011 | 903 |
| **Unemployment** | 1,925 | 2,216 | 2,010 | -291 | -85 |
| **Unemployment Rate** | 2.9 | 3.3 | 3.1 | -0.4 | -0.2 |

**Nonfarm Payroll Jobs (Not Seasonally Adjusted)**

(In Thousands)

**NAICS**

**Total Nonfarm Goods Producing Service Providing Government**

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Aug 19** | **Jul 19** | **Aug 18** | **OTM** | **OTY** |
| 59.3 | 58.8 | 58.1 | 0.5 | 1.2 |
| 10.2 | 10.2 | 10.1 | 0.0 | 0.1 |
| 49.1 | 48.6 | 48.0 | 0.5 | 1.1 |
| 8.7 | 8.5 | 8.6 | 0.2 | 0.1 |

65,000

#### Nonfarm Payroll Jobs

##### August: 1999 - 2019



**August 2019**

60,000

55,000

50,000

45,000

40,000

35,000

30,000

'99 '00 '01 '02 '03 '04 '05 '06 '07 '08 '09 '10 '11 '12 '13 '14 '15 '16 '17 '18 '19

## Metropolitan Statistical Areas

**Pine Bluff MSA**

The Pine Bluff MSA = Cleveland, Jefferson, & Lincoln counties.

**Civilian Labor Force Estimates (Not Seasonally Adjusted)**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **Aug 19** | **Jul 19** | **Aug 18** | **OTM** | **OTY** |
| **Civilian Labor Force** | 35,024 | 35,899 | 35,430 | -875 | -406 |
| **Employment** | 33,180 | 33,826 | 33,679 | -646 | -499 |
| **Unemployment** | 1,844 | 2,073 | 1,751 | -229 | 93 |
| **Unemployment Rate** | 5.3 | 5.8 | 4.9 | -0.5 | 0.4 |

**Nonfarm Payroll Jobs (Not Seasonally Adjusted)**

(In Thousands)

**NAICS**

**Total Nonfarm Goods Producing Service Providing Government**

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Aug 19** | **Jul 19** | **Aug 18** | **OTM** | **OTY** |
| 32.7 | 32.6 | 33.1 | 0.1 | -0.4 |
| 6.0 | 6.0 | 6.1 | 0.0 | -0.1 |
| 26.7 | 26.6 | 27.0 | 0.1 | -0.3 |
| 8.8 | 8.6 | 8.9 | 0.2 | -0.1 |

9.0%

#### Unemployment Rates

##### August 2014 - August 2019



**August 2019**

8.0%

7.0%

6.0%

5.0%

4.0%

3.0%

2.0%

Aug '14 Feb '15 Aug '15 Feb '16 Aug '16 Feb '17 Aug '17 Feb '18 Aug '18 Feb '19 Aug '19

## Metropolitan Statistical Areas

**Out-of-State MSA**

**Civilian Labor Force Estimates (Not Seasonally Adjusted)**

**Memphis, TN-MS-AR MSA**

The Memphis, TN-MS-AR MSA = Fayette, Shelby, & Tipton counties in Tennessee; Benton, Desoto, Marshall, Tate, & Tunica counties in Mississippi; & Crittenden County in Arkansas.

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **Aug 19** | **Jul 19** | **Aug 18** | **OTM** | **OTY** |
| **Civilian Labor Force** | 650,601 | 664,902 | 630,762 | -14,301 | 19,839 |
| **Employment** | 623,122 | 631,669 | 603,636 | -8,547 | 19,486 |
| **Unemployment** | 27,479 | 33,233 | 27,126 | -5,754 | 353 |
| **Unemployment Rate** | 4.2 | 5.0 | 4.3 | -0.8 | -0.1 |

**Texarkana MSA**

The Texarkana MSA= Bowie County in Texas & Little River & Miller counties in Arkansas.

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **Aug 19** | **Jul 19** | **Aug 18** | **OTM** | **OTY** |
| **Civilian Labor Force** | 64,226 | 64,768 | 63,938 | -542 | 288 |
| **Employment** | 61,369 | 61,723 | 60,632 | -354 | 737 |
| **Unemployment** | 2,857 | 3,045 | 3,306 | -188 | -449 |
| **Unemployment Rate** | 4.4 | 4.7 | 5.2 | -0.3 | -0.8 |

#### Memphis MSA - Civilian Labor Force

##### January 2017 - August 2019

670,000

#### Texarkana MSA - Number of Unemployed

##### August: 2009 - 2019

6,000

660,000

5,000

650,000

640,000

4,000

630,000

3,000

620,000

2,000

610,000

600,000

1,000



**August 2019**

590,000 J F M A M J J A S O N D

2017 2018 2019

0

'09 '10 '11 '12 '13 '14 '15 '16 '17 '18 '19

## Micropolitan Statistical Areas and Cities

**Civilian Labor Force Estimates**

**Micropolitan Labor Force Estimates**

3.8

4.1

5.4

4.4

5.3

4.8

3.4

5.6

3.8

4.7

3.7

4.0

3.2

4.6

4.0

359

649

941

533

844

402

635

360

503

423

509

653

638

1,693

1,356

9,022

15,319

16,498

11,549

15,109

8,007

18,320

6,124

12,764

8,497

13,426

15,749

19,119

35,059

32,281

**August 2018**

**Emp Unemp Rate**

**CLF**

9,381

15,968

17,439

12,082

15,953

8,409

18,955

6,484

13,267

8,920

13,935

16,402

19,757

36,752

33,637

5.1

4.5

6.9

5.1

5.9

5.7

3.5

6.6

4.5

5.6

4.3

4.0

4.0

5.2

4.9

490

738

1,225

626

934

471

671

427

610

494

600

641

807

1,917

1,623

9,120

15,561

16,560

11,589

14,843

7,784

18,480

6,012

12,877

8,339

13,482

15,584

19,587

34,974

31,666

**Emp Unemp Rate**

**CLF**

9,610

16,299

17,785

12,215

15,777

8,255

19,151

6,439

13,487

8,833

14,082

16,225

20,394

36,891

33,289

4.2

4.2

5.3

4.8

5.3

5.0

3.3

6.0

4.0

4.8

3.9

4.0

3.5

4.5

4.1

405

682

923

579

839

414

636

388

533

429

536

643

698

1,638

1,372

**Not Seasonally Adjusted**

**July 2019**

9,238

15,399

16,448

11,501

14,968

7,867

18,432

6,056

12,786

8,483

13,300

15,521

19,250

34,978

32,125

**August 2019**

**Emp Unemp Rate**

**CLF**

9,643

16,081

17,371

12,080

15,807

8,281

19,068

6,444

13,319

8,912

13,836

16,164

19,948

36,616

33,497

**Micro Area**

Arkadelphia Micro Batesville Micro Blytheville Micro Camden Micro

El Dorado Micro Forrest City Micro Harrison Micro

Helena-West Helena Micro Hope Micro

Magnolia Micro Malvern Micro Mountain Home Micro Paragould Micro Russellville Micro Searcy Micro

Arkadelphia Micro = Clark County Batesville Micro = Independence County Blytheville Micro = Mississippi County

Camden Micro = Calhoun & Ouachita counties

El Dorado Micro = Union County

Forrest City Micro = St. Francis County Harrison Micro = Boone & Newton counties Helena-West Helena Micro = Phillips County Hope Micro = Hempstead & Nevada counties Magnolia Micro = Columbia County

**City Labor Force Statistics**

Malvern Micro = Hot Spring County Mountain Home Micro = Baxter County Paragould Micro = Greene County Russellville Micro = Pope & Yell counties Searcy Micro = White County

**Not Seasonally Adjusted**

###### August 2019 July 2019 August 2018

**City CLF Emp Unemp**

**Rate**

**CLF Emp Unemp**

**Rate**

**CLF Emp Unemp**

**Rate**

Bella Vista Benton Bentonville Blytheville Cabot Conway

El Dorado Fayetteville Fort Smith Hot Springs Jacksonville Jonesboro Little Rock

North Little Rock Paragould

Pine Bluff Rogers Russellville Searcy Sherwood Springdale Texarkana, AR Van Buren West Memphis

12,476

17,336

26,790

6,002

12,065

33,761

6,896

48,643

39,262

14,858

11,868

38,649

98,275

30,000

12,536

16,653

36,155

13,099

10,219

16,100

39,970

13,563

10,328

10,801

12,088

16,801

26,139

5,563

11,671

32,756

6,466

47,347

37,923

14,202

11,331

37,548

94,946

28,927

12,056

15,537

35,255

12,598

9,819

15,588

38,985

12,972

9,988

10,261

388

535

651

439

394

1,005

430

1,296

1,339

656

537

1,101

3,329

1,073

480

1,116

900

501

400

512

985

591

340

540

3.1

3.1

2.4

7.3

3.3

3.0

6.2

2.7

3.4

4.4

4.5

2.8

3.4

3.6

3.8

6.7

2.5

3.8

3.9

3.2

2.5

4.4

3.3

5.0

12,671

17,721

27,195

6,168

12,397

34,613

6,924

49,456

39,993

15,319

12,221

39,407

100,680

30,769

12,828

17,062

36,725

13,230

10,173

16,492

40,639

13,897

10,533

11,070

12,255

17,167

26,500

5,601

11,952

33,500

6,412

48,022

38,530

14,580

11,576

38,116

96,997

29,552

12,268

15,811

35,742

12,575

9,679

15,925

39,539

13,214

10,158

10,452

416

554

695

567

445

1,113

512

1,434

1,463

739

645

1,291

3,683

1,217

560

1,251

983

655

494

567

1,100

683

375

618

3.3

3.1

2.6

9.2

3.6

3.2

7.4

2.9

3.7

4.8

5.3

3.3

3.7

4.0

4.4

7.3

2.7

5.0

4.9

3.4

2.7

4.9

3.6

5.6

12,211

17,308

26,099

5,955

12,061

33,822

6,990

47,379

39,525

14,668

11,817

38,151

98,274

29,971

12,389

16,783

35,257

13,188

10,280

16,040

38,964

13,576

10,421

10,642

11,764

16,788

25,437

5,580

11,679

32,742

6,527

46,079

38,169

14,011

11,322

36,992

94,869

28,904

11,974

15,763

34,309

12,618

9,867

15,575

37,941

12,845

10,059

10,169

447

520

662

375

382

1,080

463

1,300

1,356

657

495

1,159

3,405

1,067

415

1,020

948

570

413

465

1,023

731

362

473

3.7

3.0

2.5

6.3

3.2

3.2

6.6

2.7

3.4

4.5

4.2

3.0

3.5

3.6

3.3

6.1

2.7

4.3

4.0

2.9

2.6

5.4

3.5

4.4



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## County Labor Force Statistics

**Civilian Labor Force Estimates**

**Not Seasonally Adjusted**

###### August 2019 July 2019 August 2018

**County CLF Emp Unemp**

**Rate**

**CLF Emp Unemp**

**Rate**

**CLF Emp Unemp**

**Rate**

Arkansas Ashley Baxter Benton Boone Bradley Calhoun Carroll Chicot Clark Clay Cleburne Cleveland Columbia Conway

Craighead Crawford Crittenden Cross Dallas Desha Drew Faulkner Franklin Fulton Garland Grant Greene Hempstead Hot Spring Howard

Independence

Izard Jackson Jefferson Johnson Lafayette Lawrence Lee Lincoln Little River Logan Lonoke Madison Marion Miller

9,584

7,626

16,164

137,860

15,775

4,419

2,384

13,002

3,335

9,643

5,733

9,218

3,254

8,912

8,183

54,976

26,663

21,852

7,366

2,834

5,546

7,615

61,918

7,385

4,794

41,590

8,403

19,948

9,757

13,836

5,603

16,081

4,934

5,891

27,784

10,011

2,446

6,653

2,859

3,986

5,461

8,615

34,115

7,570

6,591

19,667

9,325

7,224

15,521

134,221

15,247

4,244

2,285

12,639

3,119

9,238

5,480

8,816

3,128

8,483

7,827

53,409

25,723

20,918

7,058

2,696

5,310

7,231

60,010

7,108

4,599

40,024

8,128

19,250

9,367

13,300

5,421

15,399

4,675

5,529

26,241

9,531

2,322

6,354

2,727

3,811

5,222

8,218

33,032

7,370

6,334

18,866

259

402

643

3,639

528

175

99

363

216

405

253

402

126

429

356

1,567

940

934

308

138

236

384

1,908

277

195

1,566

275

698

390

536

182

682

259

362

1,543

480

124

299

132

175

239

397

1,083

200

257

801

2.7

5.3

4.0

2.6

3.3

4.0

4.2

2.8

6.5

4.2

4.4

4.4

3.9

4.8

4.4

2.9

3.5

4.3

4.2

4.9

4.3

5.0

3.1

3.8

4.1

3.8

3.3

3.5

4.0

3.9

3.2

4.2

5.2

6.1

5.6

4.8

5.1

4.5

4.6

4.4

4.4

4.6

3.2

2.6

3.9

4.1

9,689

7,712

16,225

139,995

15,816

4,479

2,421

12,963

3,371

9,610

5,775

9,328

3,343

8,833

8,300

56,033

27,166

22,409

7,200

2,867

5,482

7,744

63,433

7,353

4,926

42,849

8,616

20,394

9,867

14,082

5,685

16,299

4,809

5,912

28,448

10,181

2,437

6,564

2,875

4,108

5,565

8,671

35,271

7,746

6,658

20,109

9,396

7,232

15,584

136,075

15,267

4,288

2,314

12,584

3,113

9,120

5,484

8,909

3,206

8,339

7,893

54,217

26,160

21,308

6,859

2,722

5,209

7,286

61,372

7,065

4,706

41,091

8,313

19,587

9,441

13,482

5,470

15,561

4,530

5,493

26,704

9,633

2,313

6,242

2,748

3,916

5,307

8,234

33,828

7,540

6,386

19,218

293

480

641

3,920

549

191

107

379

258

490

291

419

137

494

407

1,816

1,006

1,101

341

145

273

458

2,061

288

220

1,758

303

807

426

600

215

738

279

419

1,744

548

124

322

127

192

258

437

1,443

206

272

891

3.0

6.2

4.0

2.8

3.5

4.3

4.4

2.9

7.7

5.1

5.0

4.5

4.1

5.6

4.9

3.2

3.7

4.9

4.7

5.1

5.0

5.9

3.2

3.9

4.5

4.1

3.5

4.0

4.3

4.3

3.8

4.5

5.8

7.1

6.1

5.4

5.1

4.9

4.4

4.7

4.6

5.0

4.1

2.7

4.1

4.4

9,244

7,682

16,402

134,467

15,678

4,219

2,385

12,955

3,372

9,381

5,845

9,155

3,301

8,920

8,166

54,237

26,846

21,648

7,477

2,761

5,490

7,493

61,945

7,392

4,720

41,095

8,396

19,757

9,725

13,935

5,872

15,968

4,972

5,830

28,079

10,169

2,454

6,687

2,937

4,050

5,456

8,812

34,113

7,431

6,476

19,625

8,957

7,291

15,749

130,618

15,148

4,036

2,300

12,580

3,174

9,022

5,607

8,749

3,180

8,497

7,834

52,618

25,905

20,731

7,183

2,641

5,259

7,133

59,984

7,118

4,534

39,486

8,133

19,119

9,355

13,426

5,663

15,319

4,695

5,470

26,623

9,592

2,334

6,436

2,801

3,876

5,169

8,468

33,055

7,224

6,222

18,682

287

391

653

3,849

530

183

85

375

198

359

238

406

121

423

332

1,619

941

917

294

120

231

360

1,961

274

186

1,609

263

638

370

509

209

649

277

360

1,456

577

120

251

136

174

287

344

1,058

207

254

943

3.1

5.1

4.0

2.9

3.4

4.3

3.6

2.9

5.9

3.8

4.1

4.4

3.7

4.7

4.1

3.0

3.5

4.2

3.9

4.3

4.2

4.8

3.2

3.7

3.9

3.9

3.1

3.2

3.8

3.7

3.6

4.1

5.6

6.2

5.2

5.7

4.9

3.8

4.6

4.3

5.3

3.9

3.1

2.8

3.9

4.8



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## County Labor Force Statistics

**Civilian Labor Force Estimates**

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**Not Seasonally Adjusted**

###### August 2019 July 2019 August 2018

**County CLF Emp Unemp**

**Rate**

**CLF Emp Unemp**

**Rate**

**CLF Emp Unemp**

**Rate**

Mississippi Monroe Montgomery Nevada Newton Ouachita Perry

Phillips Pike Poinsett Polk Pope Prairie Pulaski Randolph

St. Francis Saline Scott Searcy Sebastian Sevier Sharp Stone Union Van Buren

Washington White Woodruff Yell

17,371

2,795

3,007

3,562

3,293

9,696

4,278

6,444

4,339

10,377

8,100

28,328

3,564

190,969

7,312

8,281

58,155

4,288

2,955

56,607

5,453

5,692

4,937

15,807

5,646

125,902

33,497

2,814

8,288

16,448

2,683

2,869

3,419

3,185

9,216

4,102

6,056

4,170

10,019

7,749

27,032

3,427

184,369

7,043

7,867

56,459

4,141

2,806

54,682

5,167

5,412

4,750

14,968

5,368

122,746

32,125

2,666

7,946

923

112

138

143

108

480

176

388

169

358

351

1,296

137

6,600

269

414

1,696

147

149

1,925

286

280

187

839

278

3,156

1,372

148

342

5.3

4.0

4.6

4.0

3.3

5.0

4.1

6.0

3.9

3.4

4.3

4.6

3.8

3.5

3.7

5.0

2.9

3.4

5.0

3.4

5.2

4.9

3.8

5.3

4.9

2.5

4.1

5.3

4.1

17,785

2,811

3,058

3,620

3,335

9,794

4,405

6,439

4,281

10,622

8,018

28,513

3,608

195,719

7,319

8,255

59,518

4,368

2,807

57,627

5,517

5,813

4,943

15,777

5,668

127,998

33,289

2,741

8,378

16,560

2,666

2,913

3,436

3,213

9,275

4,212

6,012

4,094

10,222

7,665

26,984

3,412

188,351

6,999

7,784

57,691

4,202

2,668

55,557

5,224

5,506

4,724

14,843

5,368

124,496

31,666

2,592

7,990

1,225

145

145

184

122

519

193

427

187

400

353

1,529

196

7,368

320

471

1,827

166

139

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3,045

3,542

3,277

9,697

4,272

6,484

4,329

10,298

8,072

28,419

3,599

190,752

7,169

8,409

58,199

4,323

3,043

56,979

5,588

5,660

4,912

15,953

5,854

122,690

33,637

2,847

8,333

16,498

2,674

2,909

3,409

3,172

9,249

4,106

6,124

4,157

9,907

7,741

27,076

3,471

184,220

6,899

8,007

56,416

4,159

2,925

55,037

5,322

5,386

4,710

15,109

5,554

119,458

32,281

2,722

7,983

941

112

136

133

105

448

166

360

172

391

331

1,343

128

6,532

270

402

1,783

164

118

1,942

266

274

202

844

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**August 2019**

# County Labor Force Summary

### Between July and August, unemployment rates declined in 71 of Arkansas’ 75 counties. Three counties were unchanged, while one-- Lee County-- rose slightly over-the-month. Jobless rates ranged from a low of 2.5 percent in Washington County to a high of 6.5 percent in Chicot County.

In August, thirty-three counties posted unemployment rates at or below four percent. That is up from 20 counties last month. No county had a unemployment rate above seven percent, down from two counties at or above seven percent in July.

Compared to August 2018, jobless rates are up in 41 Arkansas counties. Twenty-six counties posted over-the-year rate declines, while 8 counties were the same as last year.



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**Rate**

4.5

4.6

4.6

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6.0

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**Rank County**

1. Lawrence
2. Lee

52 Logan

52 Montgomery

52 Pope

56 Columbia

56 Johnson

58 Dallas

58 Sharp

58 Van Buren

61 Drew

61 Ouachita

61 St. Francis

61 Searcy

1. Lafayette
2. Izard

66 Sevier

68 Ashley

68 Mississippi

68 Union

68 Woodruff

1. Jefferson
2. Phillips
3. Jackson
4. Chicot

**Rank County Rate**

25 Hot Spring 3.9

25 Marion 3.9

25 Pike 3.9

29 Baxter 4.0

29 Bradley 4.0

29 Hempstead 4.0

29 Monroe 4.0

29 Nevada 4.0

34 Fulton 4.1

34 Miller 4.1

34 Perry 4.1

34 White 4.1

34 Yell 4.1

39 Calhoun 4.2

39 Clark 4.2

39 Cross 4.2

39 Independence 4.2

43 Crittenden 4.3

43 Desha 4.3

43 Polk 4.3

46 Clay 4.4

46 Cleburne 4.4

46 Conway 4.4

46 Lincoln 4.4

46 Little River 4.4

**Rate**

2.5

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**Rank County**

1. Washington
2. Benton

2 Madison

1. Arkansas
2. Carroll
3. Craighead

6 Saline

1. Faulkner
2. Howard

9 Lonoke

11 Boone

11 Grant

11 Newton

14 Poinsett

14 Scott

14 Sebastian

17 Crawford

17 Greene

17 Pulaski

1. Randolph
2. Franklin

21 Garland

21 Prairie

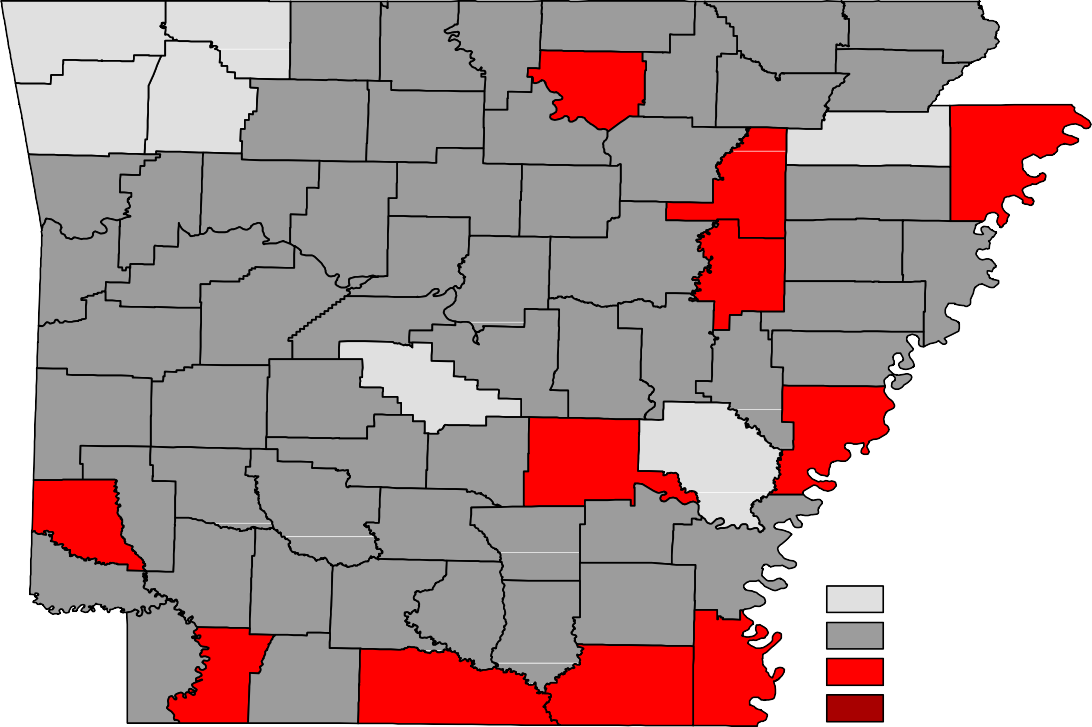
21 Stone

25 Cleveland



**August 2019**

**County Unemployment Rates**



**Benton**

**Carroll**

**Boone**

**Fulton**

**Clay**

**Marion**

**Baxter**

**Randolph**

**Sharp**

**Washington**

**Madison**

**Izard**

**Greene**

**Lawrence**

**Newton**

**Searcy**

**Stone**

**Independence**

**Craighead Mississippi**

**Crawford**

**Franklin**

**Johnson**

**Van Buren**

**Cleburne**

**Jackson Poinsett**

**Pope**

**Sebastian**

**Logan**

**Conway**

**White**

**Cross**

**Faulkner**

**Woodruff**

**Crittenden**

**Yell**

**Perry**

**St. Francis**

**Scott**

**Pulaski**

**Lonoke**

**Prairie**

**Lee**

**Saline**

**Monroe**

**Polk**

**Montgomery**

**Garland**

**Phillips**

**Howard**

**Hot Spring Grant**

**Jefferson**

**Arkansas**

**Pike**

**Sevier**

**Clark**

**Dallas**

**Cleveland**

**Lincoln**

**Desha**

**Little River Hempstead Nevada**

**Ouachita**

**Calhoun**

**Drew**

**Bradley**

**Miller Lafayette Columbia**

**Chicot**

**Union**

**Ashley**

**Unemployment Rates**

< or = 3.0% 3.1% - 5.0%

5.1% - 7.0%

> 7.0% [NONE]

**Ranked by Unemployment Rates**

**August 2019 (Not Seasonally Adjusted)**

## Local Workforce Development Areas

**Civilian Labor Force Estimates**

253,120 244,951 8,169 3.2

98,274 94,869 3,405 3.5

46,955 44,846 2,109 4.5

93,555 89,420 4,135 4.4

121,432 117,084 4,348 3.6

322,419 313,096 9,323 2.9

81,326 77,662 3,664 4.5

91,978 87,730 4,248 4.6

131,144 125,591 5,553 4.2

112,424 108,428 3,996 3.6

259,680 250,323 9,357 3.6

100,680 96,997 3,683 3.7

47,178 44,711 2,467 5.2

93,728 89,055 4,673 5.0

124,492 119,311 5,181 4.2

333,543 323,813 9,730 2.9

82,992 78,663 4,329 5.2

92,492 87,902 4,590 5.0

133,657 127,412 6,245 4.7

113,203 108,883 4,320 3.8

8,207 3.2

3,329 3.4

2,176 4.6

4,165 4.5

4,367 3.6

9,043 2.7

3,791 4.6

4,150 4.5

5,464 4.2

4,037 3.6

Eastern 46,802 44,626

North Central 93,504 89,339

Northeast 122,370 118,003

Northwest 329,112 320,069

Southeast 81,552 77,761

Southwest 91,582 87,432

West Central 131,503 126,039

Western 111,658 107,621

Central (minus LR) 253,241 245,034

City of Little Rock 98,275 94,946

**August 2018**

**CLF Emp Unemp Rate**

**Emp Unemp Rate**

**CLF**

**Not Seasonally Adjusted**

**July 2019**

**August 2019**

**Emp Unemp Rate**

**CLF**

**LWDA**



**Benton**

**Carroll**

**Boone**

**Fulton**

**Clay**

**Marion**

**Baxter**

**Randolph**

**Sharp**

**Greene**

**Washington**

**Madison**

**Izard**

**Lawrence**

**Newton**

**Searcy**

**Stone**

**Craighead**

**Independence**

**Mississippi**

**Crawford**

**Franklin**

**Johnson**

**Van Buren**

**Cleburne**

**Jackson**

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**Monroe**

**Polk**

**Montgomery**

**Garland**

**Phillips**

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**Arkansas**

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**Little River Hempstead**

**Nevada**

**Ouachita**

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**Chicot**

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**Lafayette**

Central (minus LR) Eastern



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North Central

Northeast Northwest Southeast

Southwest West Central Western