# The Labor Market Report 

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Special Points of Interest:

- Ghosts and Goblins rule during Halloween
- Hispanic Heritage Month is during September and October
- Tennessee Historical Civilian Labor Force Series, 1978 to Present
- County Unemployment Rates
- Civilian Labor Force Summary
- State Unemployment

Insurance Activities

Chattanooga MSA 7

Knoxville MSA 8

Memphis MSA 9

Nashville MSA 10

Smaller MSAs

Consumer Price Index 12

## Ghosts and Goblins Bring Economy Boost During Halloween

Halloween dates back to Celtic rituals thousands of years ago and has long been associated with images of witches, ghosts, devils, and hobgoblins. Over the years, Halloween customs and rituals have changed dramatically. Today, many of the young and young at heart take a more light-spirited approach. They dress in scary disguises or ones that may bring smiles when they go door-to-door for treats or attend a Halloween party.

## Trick or Treat

In 2007, there were 36 million potential trick-ortreaters - children 5 to 13 - across the United States, down 38,000 from the previous year. This excludes many other children (and adults who are young at heart) who are older than 13 and younger than 5 who also go trick-or-treating. They visited 110.3 million housing units in the United States.

To experience the spirit of Halloween, you must have a pumpkin (hopefully carved as a Jack-o'Lantern) outside your residence. There were 1.1 billion pounds of pumpkins grown by major pumpkinproducing states in 2007. Illinois led the country by
producing 542 million pounds of the vined orange gourd. Pumpkin patches in California, New York, and Ohio also provided lots of pumpkins: Each of these states produced at least 100 million pounds. The value of all pumpkins produced by major pumpkin-producing states was $\$ 117$ million.

## Candy and Costumes

Children go from house to house on Halloween looking for treats. The treats of choice are all edible sweet treats. The 2007 per capita consumption of candy by Americans was 24.5 pounds! There were 1,170 manufacturing establishments that produced chocolate and cocoa products in 2006, employing 39,457 people and shipping $\$ 13.9$ billion worth of goods. California led the nation in the number of chocolate and cocoa manufacturing establishments, with 128, followed by Pennsylvania, with 116 . If you wanted something sweet but chocolate really wasn't your choice, then you were interested in the 473 establishments that manufactured non-chocolate confectionary products in 2006. These establishments employed 18,733 people and shipped $\$ 7.2$ billion worth of goods that year. California also led the nation in this category, with 72 establishments.

No self-respecting children would go out on Halloween without great costumes (or their idea of a great costume). Besides the homemade costumes, there were 2,077 costume rental and formal wear establishments across the nation in 2006. Parents always want their child to stay close to home and to go trick-or-treating in 'safe' neighborhoods.
Ninety-three percent of all households consider their neighborhoods to be 'safe.' In addition, 78 percent said there was no place within a mile of their homes where they would be afraid to walk alone at night.

If you are a parent that wants to give your child the best Halloween experience possible, you could pack up the car and spend the day in a 'special' Halloween place. Some of those would include Transylvania County, North Carolina (population 29,984); Tombstone, Arizona (population 1,562); Pumpkin Center, North Carolina (population 2,228); Pumpkin Bend, Arkansas (population 307); Cape Fear in New Hanover County, North Carolina (population 15,711) or in Chatham County, North Carolina (population 1,170); and Skull Creek, Nebraska (population 274).

## Hispanic Heritage Month

In September 1968, Congress authorized President Johnson to proclaim National Hispanic Heritage Week, which was observed during the week that included September 15 and 16. The observance was expanded in 1988 to a month-long celebration (September 15 - October15). America celebrates the culture and traditions of those who trace their roots to Spain, Mexico, and Spanish-speaking nations of Central and South America and the Caribbean. September 15 was chosen as the starting point for the celebration because it is the anniversary of independence of five Latin American countries: Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, and Nicaragua. In addition, Mexico and Chile celebrate their independence days on September 16 and September 18 , respectively.

## Population

As of July 1, 2007, there were 45.5 million people in the United States of Hispanic origin. Hispanics constituted 15 percent of the population total, making them the country's largest ethnic or race minority. In addition, there are approximately 3.9 million residents of Puerto Rico. About one of every two people added to the nation's population between July 1, 2006, and July 1, 2007, was Hispanic. There were 1.4 million Hispanics added to the population during this period. Hispanic population is projected to be 132.8 million people ( 30 percent) in 2050 .

Mexico has the largest Hispanic population worldwide ( 108.7 million), with the United States as the second largest. Our country has more Hispanics than Spain (40.4 million). Of the Hispanic-origin people in the United States, 64 percent are of Mexican background. Another 9 percent are of Puerto Rican background, with 3.4 percent Cuban, 3.1 percent Salvadoran, and 2.8 percent Dominican. The remainder are other Central American, South American, or other Hispanic or Latino origin. About 50 percent of the nation's Dominicans live in New York City and about half of the nation's Cubans are in Miami-Dade County, Florida.

## States and Counties

California and Texas are the home of 48 percent of the Hispanic population in the United States. California is home to 13.2 million Hispanics, and Texas is home to 8.6 million. There are 14 other states with at least a half-million Hispanic residents. They are Arizona, Colorado, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Massachusetts, Nevada, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Virginia, and Washington.

New Mexico is 44 percent Hispanic, the highest of any state. Hispanics also make up more than 36 percent of the population in California and Texas. Arizona is 30 percent and Nevada is 25 percent Hispanic.

Between July 2006 and July 2007, Texas' Hispanic population increased by 308,000 , which led all states. California $(268,000)$ and Florida $(131,000)$ also recorded large increases. Starr County, Texas, has the greatest percentage of Hispanics, by county, with 97 percent. There are 20 states in which Hispanics are the largest minority group. These states are Arizona, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Florida, Idaho, Iowa, Kansas, Massachusetts, Nebraska, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, Oregon, Rhode Island, Texas, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming.

## Businesses

This population group is helping to drive our economy. There were 1.6 million Hispanic-owned businesses as of 2002 . The rate of growth of His-panic-owned businesses, between 1997 and 2002, is triple (31 percent) the national average ( 10 percent) for all businesses. Hispanic-owned businesses generated $\$ 222$ billion in revenue in 2002, up 19 percent from 1997.

As of 2002, there were 29,168 His-panic-owned firms with receipts of $\$ 1$ million or more. The largest majority of these firms (43 percent) operated in the construction industry; administrative and support, waste management, and remediation services industry; and other services industry. Retail and wholesale trade accounted for
nearly 36 percent of Hispanic-owned business revenue. The counties with the highest number of Hispanicowned firms were Los Angeles County, California (188,422); MiamiDade County, Florida $(163,187)$; and Harris County, Texas $(61,934)$.

The median income of Hispanic households was $\$ 38,679$ in 2007, statistically unchanged from the previous year after adjusting for inflation. More than one in five Hispanics (21.5 percent) live under the poverty line, up from 20.6 percent in 2006. Almost one-third (32.1 percent) of all Hispanics lack health insurance. This is down from the 34.1 percent that did not have health insurance in 2006. The Hispanic population is changing the demographics of America as a whole. The median age of Hispanics living in the United States is 27.6 years old. This is significantly younger than the general population, which averages 36.6 years old. Also, in 2007 the Hispanic population had 107 males for every 100 females. This was in sharp contrast to the overall population, which had 97 males for every 100 females.

## Education

Sixty percent of all Hispanics 25 and older living in this country have a high school diploma. Thirteen percent have a bachelor's degree or higher ( 3.3 million people as of 2007). There are 811,000 Hispanics with a master's degree or higher (including professional degrees). Eleven percent of all college students, in October 2006, were of Hispanic origin. Cubans have the highest educational attainment, with 75 percent having a high school degree and 26 percent having a college degree.

There are 82,500 Hispanic chief executives. There are also 46,200 physicians and surgeons; 53,600 postsecondary teachers; 43,000 lawyers; and 5,700 news analysts, reporters, and correspondents. There are 1.1 million Hispanic veterans of the U.S. armed forces. In the last major election (2006), there were 5.6 million Hispanic citizens who voted.

| Civilian Labor Force |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Year and Month | Total | Employed |  |  |  |  | Unemployed |  |
|  |  | Employ-ment | Nonfarm Employment |  |  |  | Number | Rate(\%) |
|  |  |  | Total | **Manufacturing | **Trade | **Services |  |  |
| 1978 | 1,983.7 | 1,866.2 | 1,737.0 | 526.0 | 379.1 | 270.7 | 117.5 | 5.9 \% |
| 1979 | 2,040.5 | 1,918.5 | 1,777.3 | 524.7 | 388.7 | 285.4 | 122.0 | 6.0 |
| 1980 | 2,071.6 | 1,920.1 | 1,746.6 | 502.1 | 379.7 | 291.0 | 151.5 | 7.3 |
| 1981 | 2,123.1 | 1,927.6 | 1,775.4 | 506.9 | 379.9 | 304.4 | 195.5 | 9.2 |
| 1982 | 2,141.2 | 1,891.5 | 1,703.0 | 466.7 | 380.5 | 313.1 | 249.7 | 11.7 |
| 1983 | 2,188.2 | 1,932.4 | 1,719.0 | 468.6 | 389.9 | 323.4 | 255.8 | 11.7 |
| 1984 | 2,233.5 | 2,026.4 | 1,812.0 | 497.1 | 413.3 | 344.3 | 207.1 | 9.3 |
| 1985 | 2,255.7 | 2,070.0 | 1,867.8 | 492.4 | 435.3 | 360.2 | 185.7 | 8.2 |
| 1986 | 2,291.3 | 2,110.7 | 1,929.8 | 490.5 | 452.1 | 384.7 | 180.6 | 7.9 |
| 1987 | 2,324.1 | 2,166.5 | 2,011.6 | 497.4 | 477.2 | 408.9 | 157.6 | 6.8 |
| 1988 | 2,333.6 | 2,197.2 | 2,092.1 | 511.9 | 495.6 | 440.3 | 136.4 | 5.8 |
| 1989 | 2,364.9 | 2,241.3 | 2,167.2 | 524.5 | 508.4 | 467.2 | 123.6 | 5.2 |
| 1990 | 2,401.1 | 2,269.0 | 2,193.2 | 493.4 | 379.1 | 611.0 | 132.1 | 5.5 |
| 1991 | 2,425.4 | 2,266.0 | 2,183.6 | 480.3 | 373.0 | 626.7 | 159.4 | 6.6 |
| 1992 | 2,479.5 | 2,316.7 | 2,245.0 | 492.8 | 374.1 | 664.8 | 162.8 | 6.6 |
| 1993 | 2,543.3 | 2,391.6 | 2,328.5 | 502.8 | 382.5 | 709.8 | 151.7 | 6.0 |
| 1994 | 2,645.7 | 2,511.1 | 2,423.0 | 513.8 | 398.4 | 751.4 | 134.6 | 5.1 |
| 1995 | 2,718.0 | 2,574.0 | 2,498.9 | 518.0 | 412.6 | 795.0 | 144.0 | 5.3 |
| 1996 | 2,758.4 | 2,611.0 | 2,533.3 | 501.5 | 420.9 | 814.3 | 147.4 | 5.3 |
| 1997 | 2,788.3 | 2,640.0 | 2,584.0 | 498.0 | 430.5 | 849.7 | 148.3 | 5.3 |
| 1998 | 2,811.7 | 2,685.2 | 2,638.4 | 498.6 | 437.1 | 875.7 | 126.5 | 4.5 |
| 1999 | 2,838.7 | 2,722.1 | 2,685.3 | 494.7 | 443.6 | 900.8 | 116.6 | 4.1 |
| 2000 | 2,871.5 | 2,756.5 | 2,728.9 | 488.1 | 447.5 | 930.9 | 115.0 | 4.0 |
| 2001 | 2,863.5 | 2,728.5 | 2,688.3 | 454.2 | 446.6 | 921.5 | 135.0 | 4.7 |
| 2002 | 2,867.1 | 2,715.0 | 2,664.4 | 428.5 | 438.7 | 938.0 | 152.1 | 5.3 |
| 2003 | 2,896.1 | 2,731.4 | 2,667.5 | 414.1 | 440.8 | 950.3 | 164.8 | 5.7 |
| 2004 | 2,906.9 | 2,748.6 | 2,706.1 | 411.8 | 447.5 | 978.7 | 158.3 | 5.4 |
| 2005 | 2,938.9 | 2,775.6 | 2,743.1 | 408.8 | 454.6 | 1,005.6 | 163.3 | 5.6 |
| 2006 | 3,008.3 | 2,854.0 | 2,783.1 | 400.1 | 460.6 | 1,030.4 | 154.4 | 5.1 |
| 2007 | 3,036.7 | 2,893.7 | 2,796.6 | 380.9 | 463.7 | 1,051.8 | 143.0 | 4.7 |
| 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January | 3,030.3 | 2,865.8 | 2,754.8 | 371.9 | 460.9 | 1,030.2 | 164.6 | 5.4 \% |
| February | 3,024.0 | 2,849.7 | 2,763.4 | 373.0 | 458.0 | 1,035.8 | 174.3 | 5.8 |
| March | 3,032.8 | 2,855.8 | 2,784.5 | 373.4 | 462.0 | 1,048.0 | 177.1 | 5.8 |
| April | 3,042.4 | 2,886.8 | 2,793.8 | 372.2 | 461.6 | 1,056.3 | 155.6 | 5.1 |
| May | 3,045.4 | 2,864.7 | 2,798.2 | 371.2 | 463.0 | 1,059.4 | 180.7 | 5.9 |
| June | 3,081.8 | 2,872.5 | 2,789.8 | 371.7 | 463.3 | 1,063.6 | 209.3 | 6.8 |
| July (r) | 3,081.1 | 2,866.9 | 2,773.5 | 367.8 | 462.7 | 1,060.7 | 214.2 | 7.0 |
| August (p) | 3,050.2 | 2,847.8 | 2,791.1 | 370.3 | 464.3 | 1,060.3 | 202.4 | 6.6 |
| September |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| October |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| November |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| December |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| (r)=revised |  |  | **These industries not comparable to industry employment data before |  |  |  |  |  |
| (p)=preliminary |  |  | 1990 because of changes to NAICS coding system. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Trade $=$ Wholesale and Retail Trade |  |  | Services = Professional/Business Services, Educational/Health Services, |  |  |  |  |  |


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| County | 2007 | 2008 | County | 2007 | 2008 |
| Anderson | 4.1 | 5.6 | Lauderdale | 6.3 | 12.5 |
| Bedford | 5.2 | 7.0 | Lawrence | 8.1 | 10.1 |
| Benton | 6.1 | 8.6 | Lewis | 7.4 | 10.4 |
| Bledsoe | 5.7 | 8.0 | Lincoln | 3.5 | 4.8 |
| Blount | 3.7 | 6.3 | Loudon | 3.8 | 5.8 |
| Bradley | 4.6 | 6.5 | Macon | 5.1 | 7.8 |
| Campbell | 5.2 | 7.7 | Madison | 4.7 | 6.8 |
| Cannon | 4.8 | 7.2 | Marion | 6.0 | 7.6 |
| Carroll | 6.2 | 9.0 | Marshall | 8.7 | 8.5 |
| Carter | 4.9 | 6.8 | Maury | 9.6 | 7.8 |
| Cheatham | 3.7 | 5.3 | McMinn | 5.2 | 8.5 |
| Chester | 5.9 | 6.7 | McNairy | 6.1 | 7.8 |
| Claiborne | 5.5 | 7.7 | Meigs | 6.2 | 8.3 |
| Clay | 7.8 | 9.6 | Monroe | 5.7 | 10.5 |
| Cocke | 5.5 | 7.4 | Montgomery | 4.5 | 6.2 |
| Coffee | 4.6 | 6.2 | Moore | 3.9 | 5.3 |
| Crockett | 5.9 | 8.8 | Morgan | 5.6 | 7.3 |
| Cumberland | 5.1 | 7.7 | Obion | 5.8 | 7.3 |
| Davidson | 3.9 | 5.6 | Overton | 7.9 | 8.5 |
| Decatur | 5.1 | 8.4 | Perry | 9.0 | 16.2 |
| DeKalb | 4.3 | 6.6 | Pickett | 6.8 | 9.5 |
| Dickson | 3.9 | 6.7 | Polk | 4.9 | 7.7 |
| Dyer | 4.8 | 7.9 | Putnam | 4.7 | 6.8 |
| Fayette | 6.0 | 7.6 | Rhea | 5.7 | 7.8 |
| Fentress | 6.3 | 9.6 | Roane | 4.2 | 5.9 |
| Franklin | 5.2 | 6.7 | Robertson | 4.4 | 6.2 |
| Gibson | 6.7 | 10.1 | Rutherford | 3.8 | 5.8 |
| Giles | 6.2 | 8.0 | Scott | 6.4 | 10.9 |
| Grainger | 4.9 | 8.1 | Sequatchie | 4.4 | 7.7 |
| Greene | 6.8 | 9.2 | Sevier | 3.6 | 5.6 |
| Grundy | 6.2 | 8.7 | Shelby | 5.1 | 7.2 |
| Hamblen | 4.7 | 7.4 | Smith | 4.5 | 7.3 |
| Hamilton | 4.2 | 6.1 | Stewart | 5.8 | 8.5 |
| Hancock | 5.7 | 8.0 | Sullivan | 4.1 | 5.5 |
| Hardeman | 6.6 | 8.2 | Sumner | 4.2 | 5.8 |
| Hardin | 5.1 | 7.1 | Tipton | 5.1 | 7.8 |
| Hawkins | 4.4 | 7.3 | Trousdale | 4.4 | 7.0 |
| Haywood | 8.2 | 10.4 | Unicoi | 5.0 | 6.7 |
| Henderson | 6.3 | 10.1 | Union | 4.0 | 5.9 |
| Henry | 6.2 | 9.4 | Van Buren | 5.6 | 8.0 |
| Hickman | 5.5 | 7.5 | Warren | 6.4 | 8.7 |
| Houston | 5.8 | 8.8 | Washington | 4.1 | 5.7 |
| Humphreys | 5.2 | 8.1 | Wayne | 7.2 | 10.2 |
| Jackson | 5.8 | 7.9 | Weakley | 8.4 | 9.0 |
| Jefferson | 4.7 | 6.4 | White | 5.8 | 8.8 |
| Johnson | 5.5 | 8.0 | Williamson | 4.2 | 4.7 |
| Knox | 3.5 | 5.0 | Wilson | 3.6 | 5.7 |
| Lake | 5.6 | 7.6 | *Data Not Seasonally Adjusted |  |  |

Unemployment Rates 1978-2007



BENEFIT PROGRAMS

| STATE BENEFIT PROGRAM |  |  |  | FEDERAL BENEFIT PROGRAMS |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| CLAIMS | Aug. 2007 | July 2008 | Aug. 2008 | FORMER FEDERAL EM | g. 2007 | ly 2008 | g. 2008 |
| Initial Claims | 20,505 | 42,664 | 25,655 | Benefits Paid | \$265,409 | \$234,220 | \$206,529 |
| Continued Weeks Claimed | 163,510 | 225,570 | 196,269 | Benefit Weeks Claimed | 917 | 884 | 706 |
| Nonmonetary Determinations | 7,309 | 7,220 | 6,438 | Initial Claims | 68 | 87 | 66 |
| Appeals Decisions | 1,881 | 2,059 | 1,872 | Continued Weeks Claimed | 885 | 886 | 744 |
| Lower Authority | 1,647 | 1,673 | 1,576 | Appeals Decisions | 7 | 9 | 12 |
| Higher Authority | 234 | 386 | 296 |  |  |  |  |
| BENEFITS |  |  |  | FORMER MILITARY P |  |  |  |
| Amount Paid | \$37,139,379 | \$42,659,985 | \$43,510,864 | Benefits Paid | \$364,335 | \$321,032 | \$351,015 |
| Benefit Weeks Paid | 168,865 | 229,606 | 190,101 | Benefit Weeks Claimed | 1,363 | 1,110 | 1,091 |
| Average Weekly Benefit Amount | \$223 | \$217 | \$219 | Initial Claims | 117 | 169 | 105 |
| First Payments | 9,998 | 19,387 | 12,339 | Continued Weeks Claimed | 1,293 | 1,061 | 1,147 |
| Final Payments | 4,064 | 5,542 | 4,932 | Appeals Decisions | 8 | 3 | 4 |
| Average Weeks Duration | 14 | 14 | 14 |  |  |  |  |
| Trust Fund Balance* | \$632,361,840 | \$610,691,276 | \$593,359,871 | *Trust Fund includes bala | million of | d Act fun |  |

## CONTINUED WEEKS CLAIMED

MIONTTHEY CONTIINUED
WEEESS CLAIMED


[^0]| ESTIMATED NONFARM EMPLOYMENT (in thousands) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Industry | August 2007 | $\begin{gathered} \hline \hline \text { Revised } \\ \text { July } \\ 2008 \end{gathered}$ | Preliminary August 2008 |  Net <br> Aug. 2007 <br> Aug. 2008 | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \begin{array}{c} \text { ange } \\ \text { July } \\ \text { Aug. } \end{array} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 2008 \\ & 2008 \end{aligned}$ |
| Total Nonfarm | 2,810.2 | 2,773.5 | 2,791.1 | -19.1 | 17.6 |  |
| Total Private | 2,396.4 | 2,369.5 | 2,375.7 | -20.7 | 6.2 |  |
| Goods Producing | 521.3 | 508.2 | 511.7 | -9.6 | 3.5 |  |
| Mining \& Construction | 141.5 | 140.4 | 141.4 | -0.1 | 1.0 |  |
| Manufacturing | 379.8 | 367.8 | 370.3 | -9.5 | 2.5 |  |
| Durable Goods Manufacturing | 236.9 | 227.3 | 229.3 | -7.6 | 2.0 |  |
| Wood Product Manufacturing | 16.0 | 14.3 | 14.3 | -1.7 | 0.0 |  |
| Nonmetallic Mineral Product Manufacturing | 15.8 | 15.6 | 15.6 | -0.2 | 0.0 |  |
| Primary Metal Manufacturing | 11.8 | 11.6 | 11.8 | 0.0 | 0.2 |  |
| Fabricated Metal Product Manufacturing | 41.5 | 40.3 | 40.3 | -1.2 | 0.0 |  |
| Machinery Manufacturing | 31.7 | 31.4 | 31.5 | -0.2 | 0.1 |  |
| Computer \& Electronic Product Manufacturing | 8.0 | 7.2 | 7.0 | -1.0 | -0.2 |  |
| Electrical Equipment \& Appliance Manufacturing | 21.9 | 21.1 | 21.0 | -0.9 | -0.1 |  |
| Transportation Equipment Manufacturing | 59.1 | 56.9 | 58.9 | -0.2 | 2.0 |  |
| Furniture \& Related Product Manufacturing | 15.6 | 14.1 | 13.9 | -1.7 | -0.2 |  |
| Miscellaneous Manufacturing | 15.5 | 14.8 | 15.0 | -0.5 | 0.2 |  |
| Nondurable Goods Manufacturing | 142.9 | 140.5 | 141.0 | -1.9 | 0.5 |  |
| Textile Mills, Products, \& Apparel | 15.1 | 14.7 | 14.9 | -0.2 | 0.2 |  |
| Food Manufacturing | 32.7 | 32.6 | 32.6 | -0.1 | 0.0 |  |
| Beverage \& Tobacco Product Manufacturing | 5.1 | 5.1 | 5.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 |  |
| Paper Manufacturing | 17.6 | 17.1 | 17.1 | -0.5 | 0.0 |  |
| Printing \& Related Support Activities | 17.4 | 16.8 | 16.9 | -0.5 | 0.1 |  |
| Chemical Manufacturing | 26.4 | 26.5 | 26.4 | 0.0 | -0.1 |  |
| Plastics \& Rubber Products Manufacturing | 26.4 | 25.7 | 25.9 | -0.5 | 0.2 |  |
| Plastics Product Manufacturing | 13.9 | 13.6 | 13.6 | -0.3 | 0.0 |  |
| Rubber Product Manufacturing | 12.5 | 12.1 | 12.3 | -0.2 | 0.2 |  |
| Service Providing | 2,288.9 | 2,265.3 | 2,279.4 | -9.5 | 14.1 |  |
| Trade, Transportation, \& Utilities | 612.2 | 609.1 | 611.7 | -0.5 | 2.6 |  |
| Wholesale Trade | 133.9 | 134.0 | 134.4 | 0.5 | 0.4 |  |
| Merchant Wholesalers, Durable Goods | 69.8 | 70.4 | 70.4 | 0.6 | 0.0 |  |
| Merchant Wholesalers, Nondurable Goods | 47.0 | 46.4 | 46.7 | -0.3 | 0.3 |  |
| Wholesale Electronic Markets | 17.1 | 17.2 | 17.3 | 0.2 | 0.1 |  |
| Retail Trade | 329.8 | 328.7 | 329.9 | 0.1 | 1.2 |  |
| Motor Vehicle \& Parts Dealers | 44.8 | 44.2 | 44.4 | -0.4 | 0.2 |  |
| Furniture \& Home Furnishings Stores | 10.0 | 9.7 | 9.7 | -0.3 | 0.0 |  |
| Building Material, Garden Equipment, \& Supplies | 28.9 | 30.1 | 29.6 | 0.7 | -0.5 |  |
| Food \& Beverage Stores | 48.9 | 48.6 | 48.8 | -0.1 | 0.2 |  |
| Health \& Personal Care Stores | 23.7 | 24.4 | 24.5 | 0.8 | 0.1 |  |
| Gasoline Stations | 23.9 | 22.8 | 22.9 | -1.0 | 0.1 |  |
| Clothing \& Clothing Accessories Stores | 29.6 | 29.0 | 29.4 | -0.2 | 0.4 |  |
| Sporting Goods, Hobby, Book, \& Music Stores | 12.0 | 12.0 | 12.3 | 0.3 | 0.3 |  |
| General Merchandise Stores | 70.6 | 72.1 | 72.3 | 1.7 | 0.2 |  |
| Miscellaneous Store Retailers | 17.8 | 17.1 | 17.0 | -0.8 | -0.1 |  |
| Nonstore Retailers | 10.4 | 9.8 | 9.9 | -0.5 | 0.1 |  |
| Transportation, Warehousing, \& Utilities | 148.5 | 146.4 | 147.4 | -1.1 | 1.0 |  |
| Utilities | 3.6 | 3.6 | 3.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 |  |
| Transportation \& Warehousing | 144.9 | 142.8 | 143.8 | -1.1 | 1.0 |  |
| Truck Transportation | 64.6 | 63.0 | 63.4 | -1.2 | 0.4 |  |
| Information | 50.1 | 49.3 | 49.4 | -0.7 | 0.1 |  |
| Publishing Industries (except internet) | 13.2 | 12.9 | 12.9 | -0.3 | 0.0 |  |
| Telecommunications | 17.2 | 17.6 | 17.5 | 0.3 | -0.1 |  |
| Financial Activities | 144.9 | 142.2 | 142.6 | -2.3 | 0.4 |  |
| Finance \& Insurance | 108.7 | 106.8 | 106.9 | -1.8 | 0.1 |  |
| Real Estate, Rental, \& Leasing | 36.2 | 35.4 | 35.7 | -0.5 | 0.3 |  |
| Professional \& Business Services | 326.2 | 316.3 | 318.8 | -7.4 | 2.5 |  |
| Professional, Scientific, \& Technical Services | 108.1 | 104.9 | 105.1 | -3.0 | 0.2 |  |
| Management of Companies \& Enterprises | 24.1 | 24.6 | 24.5 | 0.4 | -0.1 |  |
| Administrative, Support, \& Waste Management | 194.0 | 186.8 | 189.2 | -4.8 | 2.4 |  |
| Educational \& Health Services | 351.0 | 356.8 | 357.7 | 6.7 | 0.9 |  |
| Educational Services | 44.7 | 46.0 | 45.9 | 1.2 | -0.1 |  |
| Health Care \& Social Assistance | 306.3 | 310.8 | 311.8 | 5.5 | 1.0 |  |
| Ambulatory Health Care Services | 115.3 | 117.0 | 117.4 | 2.1 | 0.4 |  |
| Hospitals | 95.6 | 98.2 | 98.3 | 2.7 | 0.1 |  |
| Nursing \& Residential Care Facilities | 53.0 | 53.4 | 53.6 | 0.6 | 0.2 |  |
| Social Assistance | 42.4 | 42.2 | 42.5 | 0.1 | 0.3 |  |
| Leisure \& Hospitality | 288.0 | 283.8 | 281.1 | -6.9 | -2.7 |  |
| Arts, Entertainment, \& Recreation | 34.8 | 34.0 | 32.7 | -2.1 | -1.3 |  |
| Accommodation \& Food Services | 253.2 | 249.8 | 248.4 | -4.8 | -1.4 |  |
| Accommodation | 38.6 | 38.0 | 38.0 | -0.6 | 0.0 |  |
| Food Services \& Drinking Places | 214.6 | 211.8 | 210.4 | -4.2 | -1.4 |  |
| Other Services | 102.7 | 103.8 | 102.7 | 0.0 | -1.1 |  |
| Repair \& Maintenance | 21.7 | 21.3 | 21.4 | -0.3 | 0.1 |  |
| Personal \& Laundry Services | 24.8 | 24.1 | 24.3 | -0.5 | 0.2 |  |
| Government | 413.8 | 404.0 | 415.4 | 1.6 | 11.4 |  |
| Federal Government | 48.8 | 48.7 | 48.8 | 0.0 | 0.1 |  |
| State Government | 98.5 | 97.5 | 98.3 | -0.2 | 0.8 |  |
| State Government Educational Services | 47.6 | 46.4 | 47.3 | -0.3 | 0.9 |  |
| Local Government | 266.5 | 257.8 | 268.3 | 1.8 | 10.5 |  |
| Local Government Educational Services | 132.3 | 124.8 | 135.2 | 2.9 | 10.4 |  |

## NONFARM EMPLOYMENT AND LABOR FORCE IN TENNESSEE

Total nonfarm employment decreased by 19,100 jobs from August 2007 to August 2008. During this period, there were seasonal decreases in professional/business services (down 7,400 jobs), which includes drops of 4,800 jobs in administrative/support/waste management and 3,000 jobs in professional/scientific/technical services; accommodation/food services (down 4,800 jobs), which includes a decline of 4,200 jobs in food services/drinking places; financial activities (down 2,300 jobs), which includes a decrease of 1,800 jobs in finance/insurance; arts/entertainment/recreation (down 2,100 jobs); furniture/related product and wood product manufacturing (both down 1,700 jobs); and truck transportation and fabricated metal product manufacturing (both down 1,200 jobs). This was partially offset by increases in health care/ social assistance (up 5,500 jobs), which includes an increase of 2,700 jobs in hospitals and 2,100 in ambulatory health care; local government educational services (up 2,900 jobs); general merchandise stores (up 1,700 jobs); and educational services (up 1,200 jobs).

During this month, nonfarm employment increased by 17,600 jobs. The largest seasonal increases were in local government educational services (up 10,400 jobs), administrative/support/waste management (up 2,400 jobs), transportation equipment manufacturing (up 2,000 jobs), and retail trade (up 1,200 jobs). This was partially offset by declines in food services/ drinking places (down 1,400 jobs), arts/ entertainment/recreation (down 1,300 jobs), and other services (down 1,100 jobs).

Tennessee's seasonally adjusted estimated unemployment rate for August 2008 was 6.6 percent, down 0.2 percent from the July rate. After benchmark adjustments, this is the 13th consecutive month that the current rate is greater than or equal to the national average.

The United States' unemployment rate was 6.1 percent in August 2008. In August 2007, the nationa unemployment rate was 4.7 percent, and the state's unemployment rate was 4.7 percent.

Across Tennessee, the unemployment rate decreased in 78 counties, increased in eight counties, and remained the same in nine counties. There were 10 counties with an unemployment rate of 10 percent or greater. The lowest rate occurred in Williamson County at 4.7 percent, up 0.1 percent from the previous month. The highest rate was Perry County's 16.2 percent, down from 19.5 percent in July 2008.

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## CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE

CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE SUMMARY


Total nonfarm employment increased by 1,200 jobs from July 2008 to August 2008. There were seasonal increases in local government (up 1,400 jobs) and educational/health services (up 200 jobs). There were small decreases (under 100 jobs) in selected industries.

During the past 12 months, nonfarm employment decreased by 800 jobs. During that time, goods-producing jobs decreased by 700, while service-providing jobs decreased by 100.


## CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE SUMMARY

|  | August 2007 |  |  |  | July 2008 |  |  | August 2008 |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Labor Force | Employment | Unemployed | Rate | Labor Force | Employment | Unemployed | Rate | Labor Force | Employment | Unemployed | Rate |
| Athens Micro | 24,410 | 23,130 | 1,280 | 5.2 | 24,990 | 22,660 | 2,330 | 9.3 | 24,760 | 22,660 | 2,100 | 8.5 |
| Chattanooga City | 76,320 | 72,990 | 3,330 | 4.4 | 77,430 | 72,500 | 4,930 | 6.4 | 76,380 | 71,580 | 4,800 | 6.3 |

ESTIMATED NONFARM EMPLOYMENT (in thousands)

| Industry | August 2007 | $\begin{gathered} \text { Revised } \\ \text { July } \\ 2008 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | Preliminary August 2008 | Net Change |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | Aug. 2007 | July 2008 |
|  |  |  |  | Aug. 2008 | Aug. 2008 |
| Total Nonfarm | 247.9 | 245.9 | 247.1 | -0.8 | 1.2 |
| Total Private | 213.2 | 213.0 | 213.0 | -0.2 | 0.0 |
| Goods Producing | 45.7 | 45.0 | 45.0 | -0.7 | 0.0 |
| Mining \& Construction | 11.0 | 10.8 | 10.8 | -0.2 | 0.0 |
| Manufacturing | 34.7 | 34.2 | 34.2 | -0.5 | 0.0 |
| Durable Goods Manufacturing | 15.9 | 15.6 | 15.5 | -0.4 | -0.1 |
| Nondurable Goods Manufacturing | 18.8 | 18.6 | 18.7 | -0.1 | 0.1 |
| Service Providing | 202.2 | 200.9 | 202.1 | -0.1 | 1.2 |
| Trade, Transportation, \& Utilities | 55.9 | 56.7 | 56.6 | 0.7 | -0.1 |
| Wholesale Trade | 8.6 | 8.7 | 8.7 | 0.1 | 0.0 |
| Retail Trade | 26.5 | 27.0 | 27.0 | 0.5 | 0.0 |
| General Merchandise Stores | 6.6 | 7.2 | 7.1 | 0.5 | -0.1 |
| Transportation, Warehousing, \& Utilities | 20.8 | 21.0 | 20.9 | 0.1 | -0.1 |
| Information | 3.8 | 3.8 | 3.8 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Financial Activities | 18.6 | 18.6 | 18.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Professional \& Business Services | 25.4 | 24.4 | 24.5 | -0.9 | 0.1 |
| Educational \& Health Services | 28.8 | 29.4 | 29.6 | 0.8 | 0.2 |
| Leisure \& Hospitality | 24.0 | 24.0 | 23.9 | -0.1 | -0.1 |
| Accommodation \& Food Services | 21.1 | 21.1 | 21.0 | -0.1 | -0.1 |
| Other Services | 11.0 | 11.1 | 11.0 | 0.0 | -0.1 |
| Government | 34.7 | 32.9 | 34.1 | -0.6 | 1.2 |
| Federal Government | 6.5 | 6.0 | 5.9 | -0.6 | -0.1 |
| State Government | 5.5 | 5.6 | 5.5 | 0.0 | -0.1 |
| Local Government | 22.7 | 21.3 | 22.7 | 0.0 | 1.4 |



CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE SUMMARY

|  | August 2007 |  |  |  | July 2008 |  |  | August 2008 |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Labor Force | Employment | Unemployed | Rate | Labor Force | Employment | Unemployed | Rate | Labor Force | Employment | Unemployed | Rate |
| Harriman Micro | 26,810 | 25,670 | 1,140 | 4.2 | 27,220 | 25,460 | 1,760 | 6.5 | 26,900 | 25,310 | 1,590 | 5.9 |
| LaFollette Micro | 50,290 | 47,540 | 2,760 | 5.5 | 49,850 | 45,910 | 3,930 | 7.9 | 49,930 | 46,330 | 3,600 | 7.2 |
| Newport Micro | 16,670 | 15,750 | 920 | 5.5 | 16,870 | 15,470 | 1,410 | 8.3 | 16,670 | 15,440 | 1,230 | 7.4 |
| Sevierville Micro | 17,280 | 16,440 | 830 | 4.8 | 17,030 | 15,690 | 1,340 | 7.9 | 16,820 | 15,490 | 1,340 | 7.9 |
| Knoxville City | 96,110 | 91,230 | 4,880 | 5.1 | 98,600 | 90,520 | 8,080 | 8.2 | 96,920 | 89,740 | 7,180 | 7.4 |
| Maryville City | 26,810 | 25,670 | 1,140 | 4.2 | 27,220 | 25,460 | 1,760 | 6.5 | 26,900 | 25,310 | 1,590 | 5.9 |
| Oak Ridge City | 13,740 | 13,200 | 540 | 3.9 | 13,870 | 13,100 | 770 | 5.6 | 13,710 | 12,990 | 720 | 5.2 |

ESTIMATED NONFARM EMPLOYMENT (in thousands)

| Industry | August$2007$ | Revised July <br> 2008 | Preliminary August 2008 | Net Change |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | Aug. 2007 | July 2008 |
|  |  |  |  | Aug. 2008 | Aug. 2008 |
| Total Nonfarm | 339.5 | 336.0 | 338.9 | -0.6 | 2.9 |
| Total Private | 287.5 | 285.0 | 286.7 | -0.8 | 1.7 |
| Goods Producing | 56.2 | 54.8 | 55.2 | -1.0 | 0.4 |
| Mining \& Construction | 19.2 | 18.5 | 18.8 | -0.4 | 0.3 |
| Manufacturing | 37.0 | 36.3 | 36.4 | -0.6 | 0.1 |
| Durable Goods Manufacturing | 28.2 | 27.5 | 27.6 | -0.6 | 0.1 |
| Nondurable Goods Manufacturing | 8.8 | 8.8 | 8.8 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Service Providing | 283.3 | 281.2 | 283.7 | 0.4 | 2.5 |
| Trade, Transportation, \& Utilities | 73.4 | 72.7 | 72.9 | -0.5 | 0.2 |
| Wholesale Trade | 16.5 | 16.7 | 16.7 | 0.2 | 0.0 |
| Retail Trade | 45.5 | 45.0 | 45.2 | -0.3 | 0.2 |
| Food \& Beverage Stores | 7.0 | 7.2 | 7.2 | 0.2 | 0.0 |
| General Merchandise Stores | 8.2 | 7.9 | 8.0 | -0.2 | 0.1 |
| Transportation, Warehousing, \& Utilities | 11.4 | 11.0 | 11.0 | -0.4 | 0.0 |
| Information | 5.7 | 5.8 | 5.8 | 0.1 | 0.0 |
| Financial Activities | 17.5 | 17.4 | 17.4 | -0.1 | 0.0 |
| Professional \& Business Services | 40.9 | 39.9 | 40.6 | -0.3 | 0.7 |
| Administrative, Support, \& Waste Management | 20.6 | 19.8 | 20.5 | -0.1 | 0.7 |
| Educational \& Health Services | 42.0 | 42.6 | 42.9 | 0.9 | 0.3 |
| Leisure \& Hospitality | 37.2 | 37.1 | 37.3 | 0.1 | 0.2 |
| Accommodation \& Food Services | 33.5 | 33.4 | 33.7 | 0.2 | 0.3 |
| Other Services | 14.6 | 14.7 | 14.6 | 0.0 | -0.1 |
| Government | 52.0 | 51.0 | 52.2 | 0.2 | 1.2 |
| Federal Government | 5.2 | 5.3 | 5.3 | 0.1 | 0.0 |
| State Government | 18.4 | 18.5 | 18.5 | 0.1 | 0.0 |
| Local Government | 28.4 | 27.2 | 28.4 | 0.0 | 1.2 |

Total nonfarm employment increased by 2,900 jobs from July 2008 to August 2008. There were seasonal increases in local government (up 2,600 jobs), administrative/support/waste management (up 1,200 jobs), transportation/warehousing/utilities (up 400 jobs), educational/health services (up 300 jobs), and wholesale trade (up 200 jobs).

This was partially offset by declines in retail trade (down 600 jobs); leisure/hospitality (down 400 jobs), which includes a decrease of 300 jobs in accommodation/food services; and nondurable goods manufacturing, financial activities, and other services (each down 200 jobs).

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UNEMPLOYMENT RATES (not Seasonally adjusted)


| CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE SUMMARY |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| August 2007 |  |  |  |  | July 2008 |  |  | August 2008 |  |  |  |  |
|  | Labor Force | Employment | Unemployed | Rate | Labor Force | Employment | Unemployed | Rate | Labor Force | Employment | Unemployed | Rate |
| Bartlett City | 26,200 | 25,230 | 970 | 3.7 | 26,310 | 24,890 | 1,420 | 5.4 | 25,940 | 24,590 | 1,350 | 5.2 |
| Collierville City | 20,380 | 19,640 | 740 | 3.6 | 20,380 | 19,380 | 1,000 | 4.9 | 20,100 | 19,140 | 960 | 4.8 |
| GermantownCity | 20,120 | 19,450 | 670 | 3.3 | 20,180 | 19,190 | 990 | 4.9 | 19,890 | 18,950 | 940 | 4.7 |
| Memphis City | 313,650 | 295,670 | 17,980 | 5.7 | 317,900 | 291,680 | 26,220 | 8.2 | 313,370 | 288,070 | 25,300 | 8.1 |

ESTIMATED NONFARM EMPLOYMENT (in thousands)

| Industry | August 2007 | Revised July 2008 | Preliminary August 2008 | Net Change |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | Aug. 2007 | July 2008 |
|  |  |  |  | Aug. 2008 | Aug. 2008 |
| Total Nonfarm | 644.8 | 634.7 | 637.6 | -7.2 | 2.9 |
| Total Private | 557.6 | 549.8 | 550.1 | -7.5 | 0.3 |
| Goods Producing | 79.9 | 78.4 | 78.0 | -1.9 | -0.4 |
| Mining \& Construction | 27.2 | 26.2 | 26.1 | -1.1 | -0.1 |
| Manufacturing | 52.7 | 52.2 | 51.9 | -0.8 | -0.3 |
| Durable Goods Manufacturing | 26.6 | 26.3 | 26.2 | -0.4 | -0.1 |
| Nondurable Goods Manufacturing | 26.1 | 25.9 | 25.7 | -0.4 | -0.2 |
| Service Providing | 564.9 | 556.3 | 559.6 | -5.3 | 3.3 |
| Trade, Transportation, \& Utilities | 175.9 | 173.8 | 173.8 | -2.1 | 0.0 |
| Wholesale Trade | 37.7 | 37.1 | 37.3 | -0.4 | 0.2 |
| Retail Trade | 72.6 | 71.6 | 71.0 | -1.6 | -0.6 |
| Food \& Beverage Stores | 10.3 | 10.4 | 10.4 | 0.1 | 0.0 |
| General Merchandise Stores | 13.8 | 13.6 | 13.6 | -0.2 | 0.0 |
| Transportation, Warehousing, \& Utilities | 65.6 | 65.1 | 65.5 | -0.1 | 0.4 |
| Information | 7.4 | 7.2 | 7.3 | -0.1 | 0.1 |
| Financial Activities | 33.4 | 32.8 | 32.6 | -0.8 | -0.2 |
| Professional \& Business Services | 84.2 | 81.0 | 82.1 | -2.1 | 1.1 |
| Professional, Scientific, \& Technical Services | 19.5 | 19.0 | 18.9 | -0.6 | -0.1 |
| Management of Companies \& Enterprises | 5.5 | 5.5 | 5.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Administrative, Support, \& Waste Management | 59.2 | 56.5 | 57.7 | -1.5 | 1.2 |
| Educational \& Health Services | 78.0 | 77.6 | 77.9 | -0.1 | 0.3 |
| Health Care \& Social Assistance | 68.3 | 68.9 | 69.0 | 0.7 | 0.1 |
| Leisure \& Hospitality | 74.2 | 73.5 | 73.1 | -1.1 | -0.4 |
| Accommodation \& Food Services | 66.0 | 65.6 | 65.3 | -0.7 | -0.3 |
| Other Services | 24.6 | 25.5 | 25.3 | 0.7 | -0.2 |
| Government | 87.2 | 84.9 | 87.5 | 0.3 | 2.6 |
| Federal Government | 14.5 | 14.7 | 14.7 | 0.2 | 0.0 |
| State Government | 14.9 | 15.1 | 15.1 | 0.2 | 0.0 |
| Local Government | 57.8 | 55.1 | 57.7 | -0.1 | 2.6 |



Total nonfarm employment increased by 5,500 jobs from July 2008 to August 2008. There were seasonal increases in local government (up 5,900 jobs), administrative/support/waste management (up 1,200 jobs), retail trade (up 300 jobs), wholesale trade and food services/drinking places (both up 200 jobs).

This was partially offset by declines in durable goods manufacturing (down 600 jobs); educational/health services (down 400 jobs), which includes decreases of 200 jobs in both health care/social assistance and educational services; state government (down 300 jobs); and arts/entertainment/recreation, mining/ construction, and transportation/warehousing/utilities (each down 200 jobs).

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CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE SUMMARY

|  | August 2007 |  |  |  | July 2008 |  |  |  | August 2008 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Labor Force | Employment | Unemployed | Rate | Labor Force | Employment | Unemployed | Rate | Labor Force | Employment | Unemployed | Rate |
| Columbia Micro | 36,770 | 33,240 | 3,530 | 9.6 | 37,340 | 34,360 | 2,980 | 8.0 | 37,190 | 34,280 | 2,910 | 7.8 |
| Brentwood City | 17,430 | 16,820 | 600 | 3.5 | 17,560 | 16,760 | 800 | 4.6 | 17,400 | 16,590 | 800 | 4.6 |
| Columbia City | 15,140 | 13,800 | 1,340 | 8.8 | 15,520 | 14,270 | 1,250 | 8.0 | 15,460 | 14,230 | 1,230 | 8.0 |
| Franklin City | 32,340 | 30,770 | 1,560 | 4.8 | 32,340 | 30,660 | 1,680 | 5.2 | 32,110 | 30,350 | 1,760 | 5.5 |
| Gallatin City | 13,520 | 12,720 | 800 | 5.9 | 13,830 | 12,680 | 1,150 | 8.3 | 13,650 | 12,550 | 1,110 | 8.1 |
| Hendersonville | 26,310 | 25,320 | 990 | 3.8 | 26,670 | 25,230 | 1,440 | 5.4 | 26,400 | 24,970 | 1,440 | 5.4 |
| LaVergne City | 14,030 | 13,160 | 870 | 6.2 | 13,960 | 12,680 | 1,280 | 9.2 | 14,000 | 12,680 | 1,320 | 9.4 |
| Murfreesboro City | 52,220 | 49,790 | 2,430 | 4.7 | 53,520 | 49,620 | 3,900 | 7.3 | 52,890 | 49,110 | 3,780 | 7.1 |
| Nashville City | 317,120 | 304,780 | 12,350 | 3.9 | 321,400 | 303,700 | 17,700 | 5.5 | 318,370 | 300,580 | 17,790 | 5.6 |
| Smyrna | 19,910 | 19,120 | 790 | 4.0 | 20,380 | 19,050 | 1,330 | 6.5 | 20,140 | 18,860 | 1,280 | 6.4 |

ESTIMATED NONFARM EMPLOYMENT (in thousands)

| Industry | $\begin{gathered} \text { August } \\ 2007 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Revised } \\ \text { July } \\ 2008 \end{gathered}$ | Preliminary August 2008 | Net Change |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | Aug. 2007 | July 2008 |
|  |  |  |  | Aug. 2008 | Aug. 2008 |
| Total Nonfarm | 768.9 | 763.6 | 769.1 | 0.2 | 5.5 |
| Total Private | 670.1 | 669.0 | 668.9 | -1.2 | -0.1 |
| Goods Producing | 122.1 | 117.5 | 116.6 | -5.5 | -0.9 |
| Mining \& Construction | 43.3 | 43.7 | 43.5 | 0.2 | -0.2 |
| Manufacturing | 78.8 | 73.8 | 73.1 | -5.7 | -0.7 |
| Durable Goods Manufacturing | 53.9 | 49.7 | 49.1 | -4.8 | -0.6 |
| Nondurable Goods Manufacturing | 24.9 | 24.1 | 24.0 | -0.9 | -0.1 |
| Service Providing | 646.8 | 646.1 | 652.5 | 5.7 | 6.4 |
| Trade, Transportation, \& Utilities | 154.8 | 156.5 | 156.8 | 2.0 | 0.3 |
| Wholesale Trade | 37.0 | 37.3 | 37.5 | 0.5 | 0.2 |
| Retail Trade | 87.1 | 89.3 | 89.6 | 2.5 | 0.3 |
| Food \& Beverage Stores | 13.1 | 13.6 | 13.6 | 0.5 | 0.0 |
| General Merchandise Stores | 17.2 | 17.4 | 17.4 | 0.2 | 0.0 |
| Transportation,Warehousing, \& Utilities | 30.7 | 29.9 | 29.7 | -1.0 | -0.2 |
| Information | 19.4 | 19.8 | 19.8 | 0.4 | 0.0 |
| Financial Activities | 46.9 | 46.6 | 46.5 | -0.4 | -0.1 |
| Finance \& Insurance | 35.7 | 35.5 | 35.4 | -0.3 | -0.1 |
| Real Estate, Rental, \& Leasing | 11.2 | 11.1 | 11.1 | -0.1 | 0.0 |
| Professional \& Business Services | 103.9 | 102.9 | 104.1 | 0.2 | 1.2 |
| Professional, Scientific, \& Technical Services | 37.4 | 38.1 | 38.2 | 0.8 | 0.1 |
| Management of Companies \& Enterprises | 9.1 | 9.5 | 9.4 | 0.3 | -0.1 |
| Administrative, Support, \& Waste Management | 57.4 | 55.3 | 56.5 | -0.9 | 1.2 |
| Educational \& Health Services | 109.3 | 110.9 | 110.5 | 1.2 | -0.4 |
| Educational Services | 24.0 | 23.6 | 23.4 | -0.6 | -0.2 |
| Health Care \& Social Assistance | 85.3 | 87.3 | 87.1 | 1.8 | -0.2 |
| Leisure \& Hospitality | 83.2 | 84.4 | 84.3 | 1.1 | -0.1 |
| Arts, Entertainment, \& Recreation | 10.8 | 11.1 | 10.9 | 0.1 | -0.2 |
| Accommodation \& Food Services | 72.4 | 73.3 | 73.4 | 1.0 | 0.1 |
| Accommodation | 13.0 | 13.1 | 13.0 | 0.0 | -0.1 |
| Food Services \& Drinking Places | 59.4 | 60.2 | 60.4 | 1.0 | 0.2 |
| Other Services | 30.5 | 30.4 | 30.3 | -0.2 | -0.1 |
| Government | 98.8 | 94.6 | 100.2 | 1.4 | 5.6 |
| Federal Government | 11.5 | 11.5 | 11.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| State Government | 28.8 | 29.3 | 29.0 | 0.2 | -0.3 |
| Local Government | 58.5 | 53.8 | 59.7 | 1.2 | 5.9 |

Total Nonfarm
Total Private
Goods Producing
Mining \& Construction
Manufacturing
Durable Goods Manufacturing
Nondurable Goods Manufacturing
Service Providing
Trade, Transportation, \& Utilities
Wholesale Trade
Retail Trade
General Merchandise Stores
Transportation, Warehousing, \& Utilities
Information
Financial Activities
Professional \& Business Services
Educational \& Health Services
Leisure \& Hospitality
Other Services
Government
Federal Government
State Government
Local Government

| Clarksville, TN-KY MSA |  | ***Cleveland, TN MSA |  | Jackson, TN MSA |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| July 2007 <br> Revised | August 2008 <br> Prelim. | July 2007 <br> Revised | August 2008 <br> Prelim. | July 2007 <br> Revised | August 2008 <br> Prelim. |
| 83,500 | 84,500 | 40,700 | 41,100 | 62,400 | 62,600 |
| 66,500 | 66,600 | 35,900 | 35,700 | 49,900 | 49,900 |
| 16,200 | 16,300 | 10,300 | 10,300 | 14,200 | 14,200 |
| 3,400 | 3,400 | 1,800 | 1,800 | 3,600 | 3,600 |
| 12,800 | 12,900 | 8,500 | 8,500 | 10,600 | 10,600 |
| 8,300 | 8,400 | 4,400 | 4,500 | 6,600 | 6,600 |
| 4,500 | 4,500 | 4,100 | 4,000 | 4,000 | 4,000 |
| 67,300 | 68,200 | 30,400 | 30,800 | 48,200 | 48,400 |
| 16,400 | 16,400 | 7,900 | 7,900 | 13,100 | 13,100 |
| 2,000 | 2,000 | 1,800 | 1,800 | 2,800 | 2,800 |
| 11,800 | 11,800 | 4,900 | 4,900 | 7,800 | 7,800 |
| 3,300 | 3,300 | NA | NA | 2,500 | 2,500 |
| 2,600 | 2,600 | 1,200 | 1,200 | NA | NA |
| 1,100 | 1,100 | 300 | 300 | 700 | 700 |
| 2,600 | 2,700 | 1,600 | 1,600 | 1,700 | 1,700 |
| 8,000 | 8,000 | 3,000 | 2,900 | 4,300 | 4,300 |
| 9,700 | 9,700 | 5,800 | 5,800 | 8,400 | 8,400 |
| 9,200 | 9,100 | 4,600 | 4,500 | 5,200 | 5,300 |
| 3,300 | 3,300 | 2,400 | 2,400 | 2,300 | 2,200 |
| 17,000 | 17,900 | 4,800 | 5,400 | 12,500 | 12,700 |
| 5,600 | 5,700 | 300 | 300 | 500 | 500 |
| 3,000 | 2,900 | 600 | 600 | 1,900 | 1,900 |
| 8,400 | 9,300 | 3,900 | 4,500 | 10,100 | 10,300 |

Total Nonfarm
Total Private
Goods Producing
Mining \& Construction
Manufacturing
Durable Goods Manufacturing
Nondurable Goods Manufacturing
Service Providing
Trade, Transportation, \& Utilities
Wholesale Trade
Retail Trade
General Merchandise Stores
Transportation, Warehousing, \& Utilities
Information
Financial Activities
Professional \& Business Services
Educational \& Health Services
Leisure \& Hospitality
Other Services
Government
Federal Government
State Government
Local Government

| Johnson City, TN MSA |  | Kingsport/Bristol, TN-VA MSA |  | ***Morristown, TN MSA |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| July 2007 <br> Revised | August 2008 <br> Prelim. | July 2007 <br> Revised | August 2008 <br> Prelim. | July 2007 <br> Revised | August 2008 <br> Prelim. |
| 79,700 | 81,200 | 121,000 | 123,100 | 48,200 | 49,600 |
| 66,200 | 66,200 | 106,700 | 106,900 | 42,100 | 42,900 |
| 13,400 | 13,500 | 32,400 | 32,500 | 16,200 | 16,700 |
| 3,800 | 3,900 | 8,600 | 8,700 | 2,600 | 2,700 |
| 9,600 | 9,600 | 23,800 | 23,800 | 13,600 | 14,000 |
| NA | NA | 11,000 | 10,900 | 8,900 | 9,300 |
| NA | NA | 12,800 | 12,900 | NA | NA |
| 66,300 | 67,700 | 88,600 | 90,600 | 32,000 | 32,900 |
| 14,200 | 14,200 | 24,400 | 24,400 | 25,900 | 26,200 |
| 2,700 | 2,700 | 5,300 | 5,200 | 10,900 | 11,000 |
| 10,200 | 10,200 | 14,700 | 14,800 | 2,300 | 2,300 |
| NA | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| 1,300 | 1,300 | 4,400 | 4,400 | 2,800 | 2,800 |
| 2,500 | 2,500 | 2,500 | 2,500 | 700 | 700 |
| 5,100 | 5,100 | 4,200 | 4,200 | 1,200 | 1,200 |
| 7,000 | 7,000 | 8,200 | 8,200 | 2,900 | 3,000 |
| 12,900 | 12,800 | 18,300 | 18,400 | 5,300 | 5,300 |
| 8,500 | 8,500 | 12,400 | 12,500 | 3,300 | 3,400 |
| 2,600 | 2,600 | 4,300 | 4,200 | 1,600 | 1,600 |
| 13,500 | 15,000 | 14,300 | 16,200 | 6,100 | 6,700 |
| 2,300 | 2,300 | 1,200 | 1,200 | 400 | 300 |
| 5,100 | 4,900 | 2,300 | 2,300 | 1,300 | 1,300 |
| 6,100 | 7,800 | 10,800 | 12,700 | 4,400 | 5,100 |

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U.S. Consumer Price Index August 2008

| Group |  | Percent Change |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | Index | Yearly | Monthly |
| U.S. City Average |  |  |  |
| All Items (1982-84=100) / All Urban Consumers | 219.086 | 5.4 | -0.4 |
| All Items (1982-84=100) / Wage Earners \& Clerical Workers | 215.247 | 5.9 | -0.5 |
| South |  |  |  |
| All Items (1982-84=100) / All Urban Consumers | 212.387 | 5.6 | -0.4 |
| All Items (1982-84=100) / Wage Earners \& Clerical Workers | 210.362 | 6.2 | -0.5 |

## TENNESSEEUNEMPLOYMENT RATES




[^0]:    $\square \square 2006 \quad \square 2007 \quad \square 2008$

[^1]:    The data from all the nonfarm employment estimates tables include all full- and part-time nonfarm wage and salary employees who worked during or received pay for any part of the pay period that includes the 12th of the month. This is a count of jobs by place of work. Agricultural workers, proprietors, self-employed persons, workers in private households, and unpaid family workers are excluded. These numbers may not add due to rounding. Data is based on the 2007 benchmark.

