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UTAH’S EMPLOYMENT SUMMARY: April 2024

SALT LAKE CITY (May 17, 2024) — Utah’s nonfarm payroll employment for April 2024 increased an estimated 2.1% across the past 12 months, with the state’s economy adding a cumulative 36,800 jobs since April 2023. Utah’s current job count stands at 1,752,000.

April’s seasonally adjusted unemployment rate is estimated at 2.8%. Approximately 50,600 Utahns are unemployed. Utah’s March unemployment rate is unrevised at 2.8%. The April national unemployment rate increased one-tenth of a percentage point to 3.9%.

“After several years of very low unemployment coupled with the recent high interest rates, the labor market is showing some signs of cooling,” said Ben Crabb, chief economist at the Utah Department of Workforce Services. “Job openings, while high, continue to trend downward, and a few industries are experiencing job contractions. Despite these headwinds, the state labor market remains among the best in the nation in job growth and unemployment rates as Utah continues to attract businesses and labor.”

Utah’s April private sector employment recorded a year-over-year expansion of 1.7%, or a 24,400-job increase. Seven of the ten major private-sector industry groups posted net year-over-year job gains. The overall gains are led by education and health services (12,000 jobs), construction (7,100 jobs), and trade, transportation, and utilities (2,500 jobs). Leisure and hospitality (-1500 jobs), financial activities (-900 jobs), and information (-100 jobs) were the only sectors with year-over-year job losses.

- Additional analysis and tables at <https://jobs.utah.gov/wi/update/index.html>
- County unemployment rates for April will post on or shortly after May 20, 2024, at <https://jobs.utah.gov/wi/update/unc/season.pdf>
- May’s employment information will be released at 7 a.m. on Friday, June 21, 2024.
- Statistics generated by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, Washington, D.C., modeled from monthly employer (employment) and household (unemployment) surveys.

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Labor Market Indicators
April 2024

Utah
Employment Year-Over % Change: 2.1%
Employment # Change: 36,800
Unemployment Rate: 2.8%

United States
Employment Year-Over % Change: 1.8%
Unemployment Rate: 3.9%

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics



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Utah Nonagricultural Jobs by Industry and Components of the Labor Force

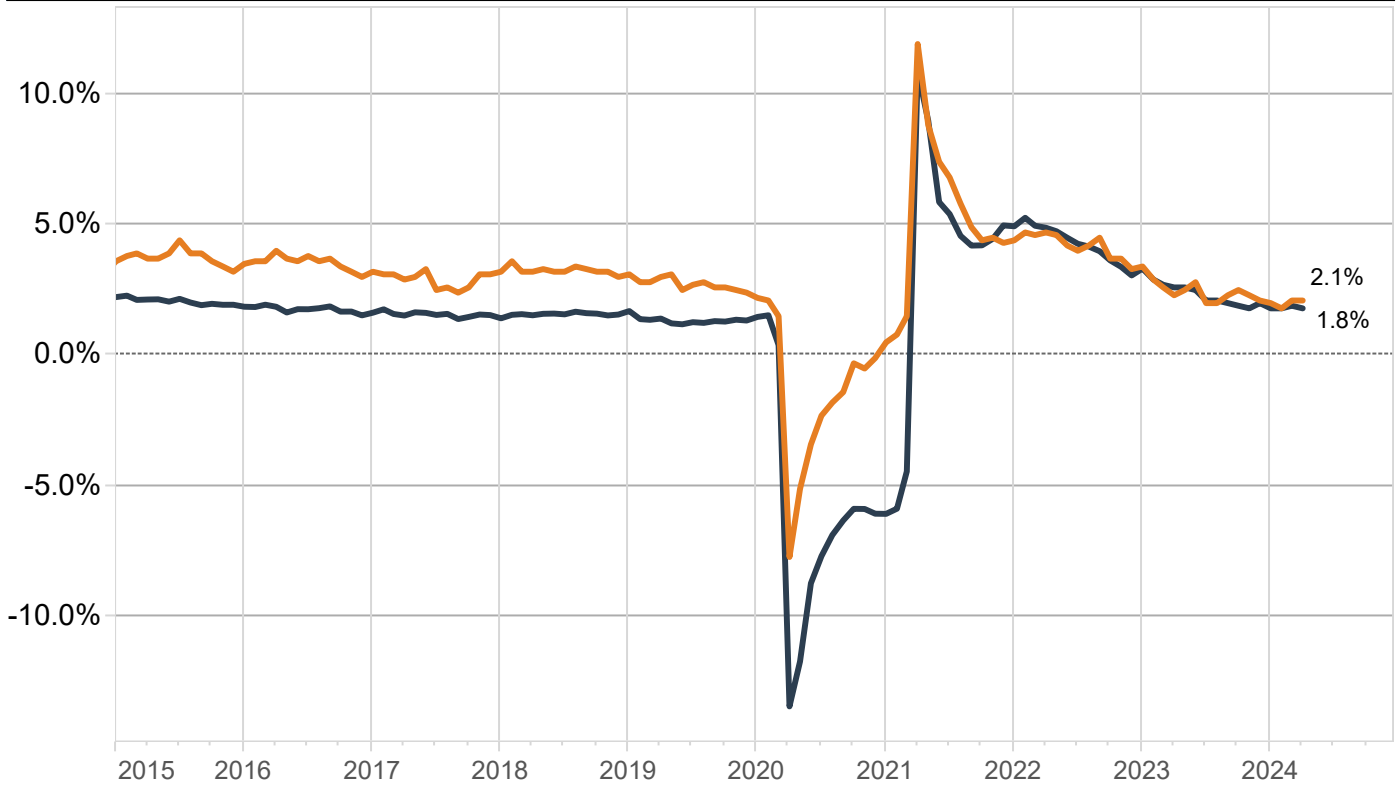
Numbers are in thousands	April (p) 2024	April 2023	Percentage Change	March (r) 2024	March 2023	Percentage Change
CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE (seasonally-adjusted)	1,801.7	1,781.5	1.1	1,801.9	1,773.4	1.6
Employed	1,751.1	1,740.2	0.6	1,751.3	1,731.7	1.1
Unemployed	50.6	41.3	22.5	50.6	41.7	21.3
Unemployment Rate	2.8	2.3		2.8	2.4	
NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT (Thousands)	1,752.0	1,715.2	2.1	1,739.4	1,703.9	2.1
Not seasonally-adjusted						
PRIVATE SECTOR	1,474.7	1,450.3	1.7	1,464.3	1,441.5	1.6
GOODS PRODUCING	303.0	293.5	3.2	300.4	291.6	3.0
Natural Resources and Mining	10.8	10.6	1.9	10.9	10.5	3.8
Construction	137.9	130.8	5.4	135.9	128.8	5.5
Construction of Buildings	29.3	28.0	4.6	29.2	27.7	5.4
Heavy and Civil Engineering	13.3	12.5	6.4	12.9	12.4	4.0
Specialty Trade Contractors	95.3	90.3	5.5	93.8	88.7	5.7
Manufacturing	154.3	152.1	1.4	153.6	152.3	0.9
Durable Goods	97.2	96.5	0.7	96.0	96.4	-0.4
Computer and Electronic Products	13.1	13.0	0.8	13.0	13.0	0.0
Transportation and Equipment Manufacturing	18.8	18.2	3.3	18.6	18.2	2.2
Non-Durable Goods	57.1	55.6	2.7	57.6	55.9	3.0
SERVICES PROVIDING	1,449.0	1,421.7	1.9	1,439.0	1,412.3	1.9
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	314.6	312.1	0.8	314.2	312.6	0.5
Wholesale Trade	60.7	60.0	1.2	61.2	59.8	2.3
Retail Trade	182.6	179.1	2.0	180.9	180.0	0.5
Motor Vehicle and Parts Dealers	25.7	24.4	5.3	25.3	24.7	2.4
Food and Beverage Stores	28.8	28.0	2.9	28.6	28.1	1.8
General Merchandise Stores	36.5	36.0	1.4	36.1	36.4	-0.8
Transportation and Utilities	71.3	73.0	-2.3	72.1	72.8	-1.0
Utilities	3.8	3.8	0.0	3.8	3.8	0.0
Transportation & Warehousing	67.5	69.2	-2.5	68.3	69.0	-1.0
Air Transportation	9.5	9.4	1.1	9.7	9.5	2.1
Truck Transportation	19.1	20.7	-7.7	19.4	20.3	-4.4
Couriers and Messengers	17.1	16.2	5.6	17.0	15.9	6.9
Information	42.6	42.7	-0.2	42.3	42.5	-0.5
Motion Picture and Sound Recording	7.0	6.6	6.1	6.9	6.1	13.1
Publishing Industries	19.8	20.1	-1.5	19.7	20.3	-3.0
Telecommunications	4.8	4.9	-2.0	4.8	4.9	-2.0
Internet Service Providers	7.2	7.5	-4.0	7.2	7.6	-5.3
Financial Activities	96.9	97.8	-0.9	96.6	98.0	-1.4
Finance and Insurance	73.3	73.9	-0.8	73.1	74.0	-1.2
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	23.6	23.9	-1.3	23.5	24.0	-2.1
Professional and Business Services	250.9	249.3	0.6	246.8	245.8	0.4
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	132.1	133.4	-1.0	131.6	132.3	-0.5
Architectural, Engineering, and Related	21.0	19.9	5.5	20.7	19.6	5.6
Computer Systems Design and Related	35.3	37.0	-4.6	35.0	37.0	-5.4
Management of Companies and Enterprises	23.8	22.6	5.3	23.8	22.5	5.8
Administrative and Waste Services	95.0	93.3	1.8	91.4	91.0	0.4
Employment Services	30.7	31.1	-1.3	30.0	31.1	-3.5
Business Support Services	9.4	10.3	-8.7	9.4	10.7	-12.1
Education and Health Services	249.4	237.4	5.1	247.1	235.1	5.1
Educational Services	59.6	55.9	6.6	59.7	56.3	6.0
Health Services and Social Assistance	189.8	181.5	4.6	187.4	178.8	4.8
Ambulatory Health Care Services	82.8	79.5	4.2	82.1	78.6	4.5
Hospitals	43.7	41.9	4.3	43.0	41.2	4.4
Nursing and Residential Care Facilities	31.8	29.9	6.4	31.5	29.4	7.1
Social Assistance	31.5	30.2	4.3	30.8	29.6	4.1
Leisure and Hospitality	170.8	172.3	-0.9	171.3	170.7	0.4
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	30.4	31.0	-1.9	31.0	30.2	2.6
Accommodation and Food Services	140.4	141.3	-0.6	140.3	140.5	-0.1
Accommodation	20.8	22.4	-7.1	21.1	23.2	-9.1
Food Services and Drinking Places	119.6	118.9	0.6	119.2	117.3	1.6
Other Services	46.5	45.2	2.9	45.6	45.2	0.9
Government	277.3	264.9	4.7	275.1	262.4	4.8
Federal Government	40.4	39.6	2.0	39.9	39.1	2.0
Federal Defense	19.1	18.6	2.7	19.1	18.6	2.7
Other Federal Government	21.3	21.0	1.4	20.8	20.5	1.5
State Government	90.7	85.7	5.8	90.2	84.8	6.4
State Education	52.9	50.0	5.8	52.8	49.9	5.8
Other State Government	37.8	35.7	5.9	37.4	34.9	7.2
Local Government	146.2	139.6	4.7	145.0	138.5	4.7
Local Education	82.4	79.0	4.3	82.5	79.1	4.3
Other Local Government	63.8	60.6	5.3	62.5	59.4	5.2

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics: Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS); Current Employment Statistics (CES). May 17, 2024

Note: Government owned education, healthcare, etc. are enumerated within Government.

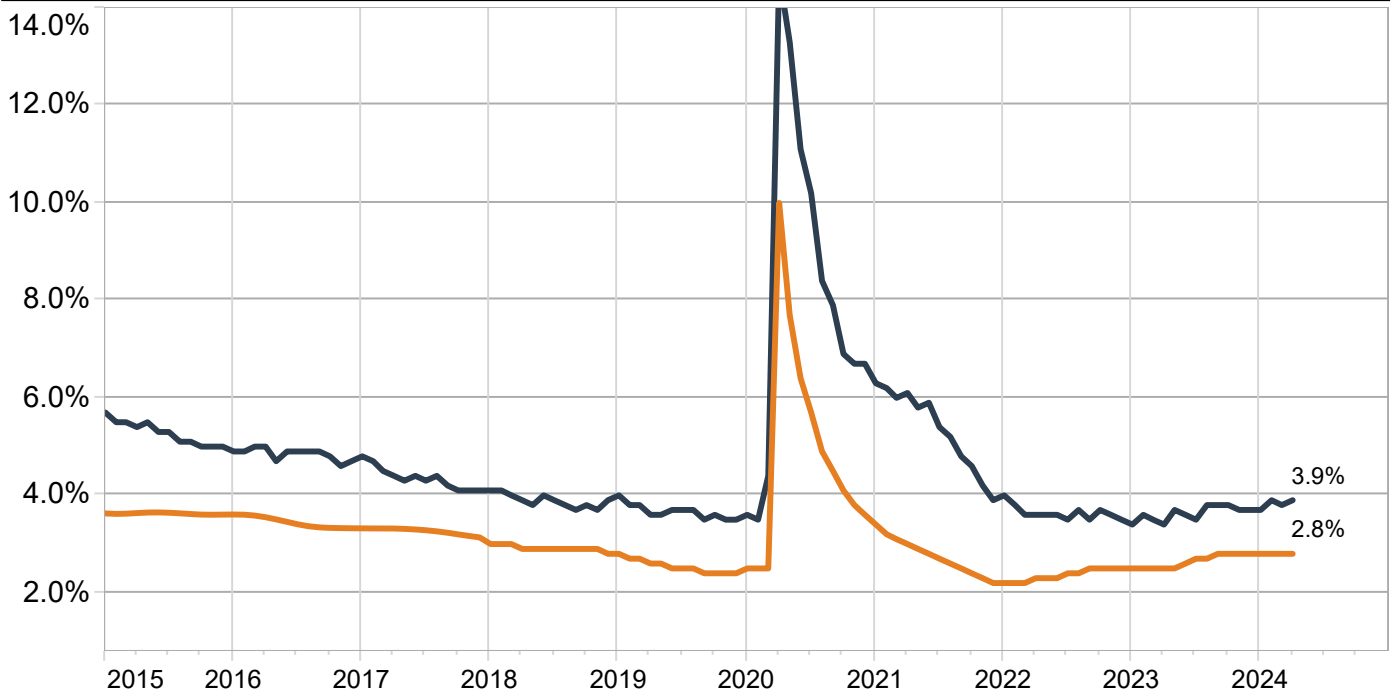
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Year-Over Percent Change In Nonfarm Jobs

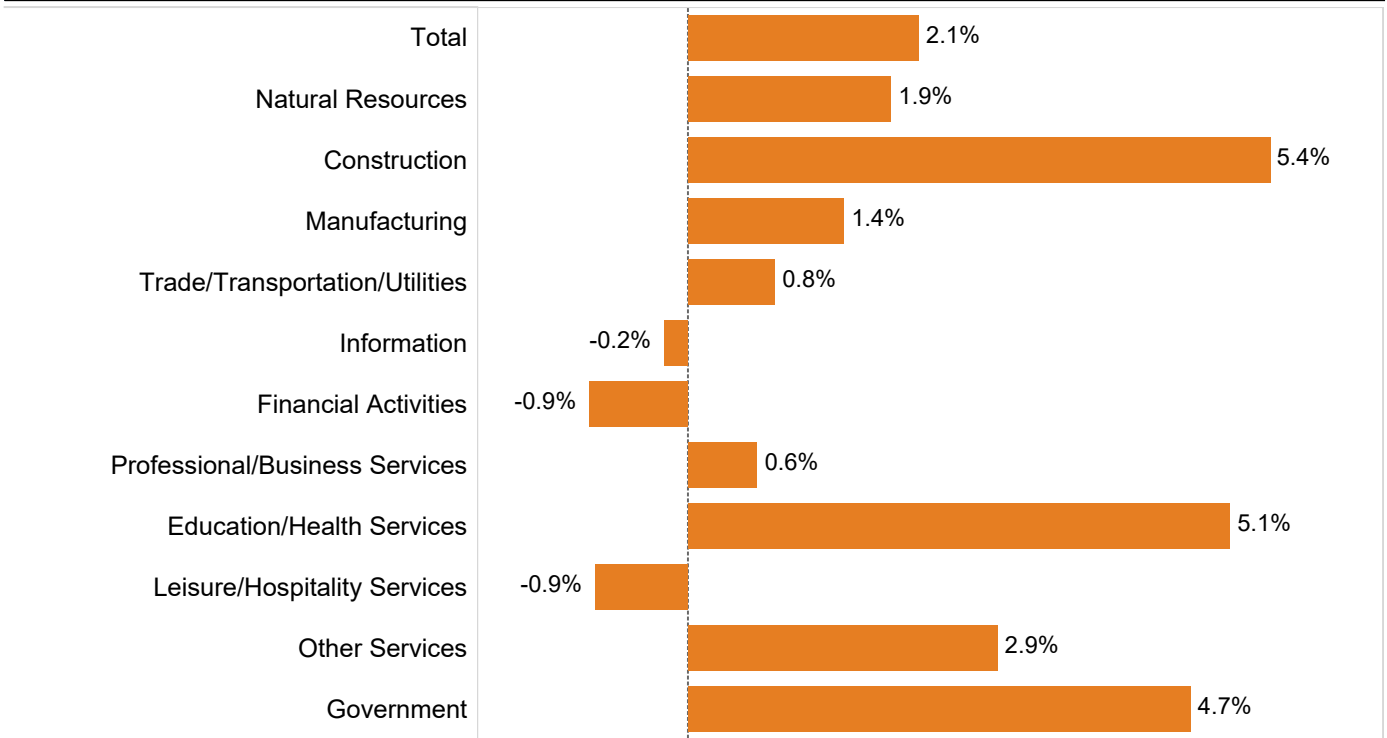


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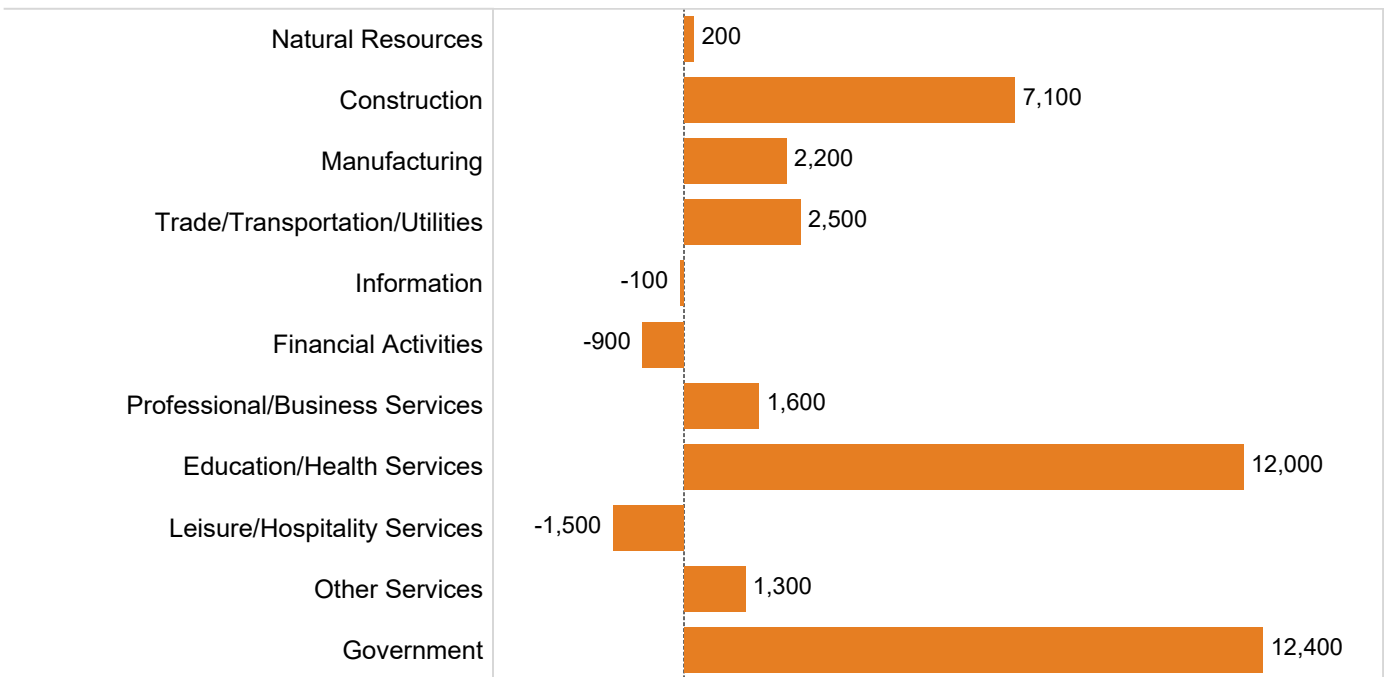
Seasonally Adjusted Unemployment Rates



Utah Nonfarm Industry Profiles April 2023 - 2024 Percent Change



Numeric Change



Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

NONFARM EMPLOYMENT IN UTAH'S COUNTIES

	April 2024 <i>Estimate</i>	April 2023 <i>Actual</i>	Percent Change	March 2024 <i>Estimate</i>	February 2024 <i>Estimate</i>
BEAVER	2,520	2,494	1.0	2,522	2,519
BOX ELDER	24,266	23,571	2.9	23,934	23,855
CACHE	68,359	67,549	1.2	68,052	67,847
CARBON	8,916	8,845	0.8	8,892	8,863
DAGGETT	408	372	9.7	339	329
DAVIS	145,622	143,188	1.7	143,879	143,332
DUCHESNE	8,915	8,686	2.6	8,875	8,864
EMERY	3,752	3,659	2.5	3,762	3,718
GARFIELD	2,545	2,462	3.4	2,115	1,888
GRAND	7,322	7,299	0.3	6,889	6,017
IRON	26,375	25,071	5.2	26,150	26,035
JUAB	4,322	4,298	0.6	4,249	4,215
KANE	4,060	4,028	0.8	3,889	3,760
MILLARD	4,885	4,757	2.7	4,852	4,815
MORGAN	3,118	2,984	4.5	3,082	3,053
PIUTE	284	271	4.8	289	288
RICH	865	838	3.2	825	818
SALT LAKE	808,949	794,255	1.9	804,825	800,981
SAN JUAN	4,627	4,565	1.4	4,555	4,385
SANPETE	10,111	9,893	2.2	10,056	10,025
SEVIER	9,801	9,525	2.9	9,858	9,875
SUMMIT	31,829	30,842	3.2	33,634	34,116
TOOELE	19,343	19,301	0.2	19,263	19,272
UINTAH	14,815	14,240	4.0	14,466	14,427
UTAH	309,926	306,554	1.1	307,516	307,388
WASATCH	12,166	11,609	4.8	12,079	12,159
WASHINGTON	88,055	84,995	3.6	87,044	86,666
WAYNE	1,316	1,306	0.8	1,173	1,055
WEBER	124,661	121,620	2.5	123,758	124,201

Note: Numbers have been left unrounded for convenience rather than to denote accuracy.

Note: County employment estimates are assessed independently of the statewide estimate.

Note: Employment numbers are not seasonally adjusted. Therefore, comparisons of employment levels from one month to the next should not be used as job creation/loss estimates between those months. Seasonal factors could be the reason. For example, employment levels in September are usually higher than in August, as school employment resumes.

Source: Utah Department of Workforce Services, Workforce Research and Analysis, 5/17/2024