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UTAH'S EMPLOYMENT SUMMARY: September 2024

SALT LAKE CITY (October 18, 2024) — Utah's nonfarm payroll employment for September 2024 increased an estimated 1.8% across the past 12 months, with the state's economy adding a cumulative 32,100 jobs since September 2023. Utah's current job count stands at 1,769,700.

September's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate is estimated at 3.5%. Approximately 62,500 Utahns are unemployed. Utah's August unemployment rate is unrevised at 3.3%. The September national unemployment rate decreased one-tenth of a percentage point to 4.1%.

"The state's unemployment rate has risen out of the very low levels we have had for the last several years," said Ben Crabb, Chief Economist with the Utah Department of Workforce Services. "While 3.5% is not especially high from a historical perspective, it does reflect a labor market that has softened in the last six months. With a little slack in the labor market, employers may find it easier to fill open positions, which remain abundant."

Utah's September private sector employment recorded a year-over-year expansion of 1.5%, or a 22,000-job increase. Eight 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 (11,700 jobs), construction (8,600 jobs), and professional and business services (3,200 jobs). Trade, transportation and utilities (-4,700 jobs) and leisure and hospitality (-500 jobs) experienced year-over-year job losses.

- Additional analysis and tables at <https://jobs.utah.gov/wi/update/index.html>
- County unemployment rates for September will post on or shortly after Oct. 21, 2024, at <https://jobs.utah.gov/wi/update/unc/season.pdf>
- October's employment information will be released at 7 a.m. on Friday, Nov. 15, 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
September 2024

Utah
Employment Year-Over % Change: 1.8%
Employment # Change: 32,100
Unemployment Rate: 3.5%

United States
Employment Year-Over % Change: 1.5%
Unemployment Rate: 4.1%

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

Utah Nonagricultural Jobs by Industry and Components of the Labor Force

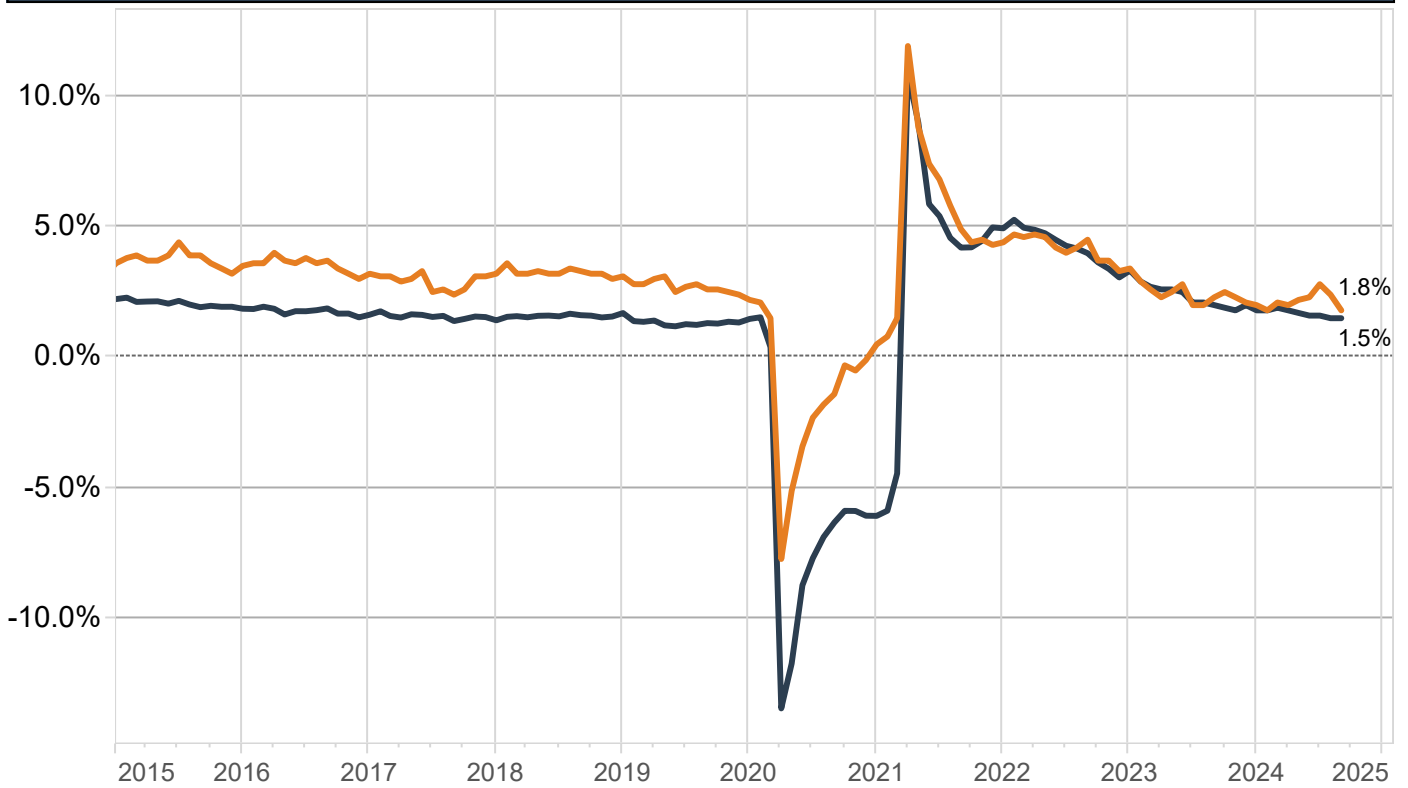
Numbers are in thousands	September (p) 2024	September 2023	Percentage Change	August (r) 2024	August 2023	Percentage Change
CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE (seasonally-adjusted)	180,139.0	1,801.9	9,897.2	1,800.4	1,799.0	0.1
Employed	1,739.4	1,752.0	-0.7	1,740.7	1,750.1	-0.5
Unemployed	62.5	49.8	25.5	59.7	48.9	22.1
Unemployment Rate	3.5	2.8		3.3	2.7	
NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT (Thousands)	1,769.7	1,737.6	1.8	1,761.8	1,720.5	2.4
Not seasonally-adjusted						
PRIVATE SECTOR	1,488.1	1,466.1	1.5	1,493.6	1,462.0	2.2
GOODS PRODUCING	312.3	301.7	3.5	313.5	302.5	3.6
Natural Resources and Mining	11.1	11.0	0.9	11.2	11.1	0.9
Construction	146.3	137.7	6.2	146.6	138.2	6.1
Construction of Buildings	29.5	29.7	-0.7	30.2	29.8	1.3
Heavy and Civil Engineering	14.6	13.6	7.4	14.5	13.6	6.6
Specialty Trade Contractors	102.2	94.4	8.3	101.9	94.8	7.5
Manufacturing	154.9	153.0	1.2	155.7	153.2	1.6
Durable Goods	96.4	97.8	-1.4	97.8	97.6	0.2
Computer and Electronic Products	13.1	13.1	0.0	13.4	13.1	2.3
Transportation and Equipment Manufacturing	18.7	18.8	-0.5	19.0	18.7	1.6
Non-Durable Goods	58.5	55.2	6.0	57.9	55.6	4.1
SERVICES PROVIDING	1,457.4	1,435.9	1.5	1,448.3	1,418.0	2.1
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	310.9	315.6	-1.5	311.9	314.1	-0.7
Wholesale Trade	61.4	60.6	1.3	61.2	60.6	1.0
Retail Trade	178.4	180.8	-1.3	179.3	179.9	-0.3
Motor Vehicle and Parts Dealers	25.1	25.1	0.0	25.4	24.9	2.0
Food and Beverage Stores	28.3	28.2	0.4	28.3	28.0	1.1
General Merchandise Stores	36.3	36.4	-0.3	36.4	36.2	0.6
Transportation and Utilities	71.1	74.2	-4.2	71.4	73.6	-3.0
Utilities	3.8	3.9	-2.6	3.8	3.9	-2.6
Transportation & Warehousing	67.3	70.3	-4.3	67.6	69.7	-3.0
Air Transportation	9.4	9.8	-4.1	9.4	9.7	-3.1
Truck Transportation	18.5	20.6	-10.2	18.7	20.5	-8.8
Couriers and Messengers	17.5	17.2	1.7	17.1	16.8	1.8
Information	43.1	42.8	0.7	43.3	43.3	0.0
Motion Picture and Sound Recording	7.1	7.2	-1.4	7.2	7.4	-2.7
Publishing Industries	19.9	19.8	0.5	20.0	19.9	0.5
Telecommunications	4.9	4.8	2.1	4.9	4.9	0.0
Internet Service Providers	7.2	7.4	-2.7	7.3	7.5	-2.7
Financial Activities	98.8	97.8	1.0	98.6	98.3	0.3
Finance and Insurance	74.5	73.5	1.4	74.0	73.8	0.3
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	24.3	24.3	0.0	24.6	24.5	0.4
Professional and Business Services	254.9	251.7	1.3	258.5	251.0	3.0
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	132.6	131.9	0.5	134.7	132.9	1.4
Architectural, Engineering, and Related	21.7	20.6	5.3	22.2	20.7	7.2
Computer Systems Design and Related	34.7	36.0	-3.6	35.3	36.4	-3.0
Management of Companies and Enterprises	24.6	23.3	5.6	24.5	23.3	5.2
Administrative and Waste Services	97.7	96.5	1.2	99.3	94.8	4.7
Employment Services	32.6	31.6	3.2	32.4	29.5	9.8
Business Support Services	9.7	9.8	-1.0	9.7	9.6	1.0
Education and Health Services	248.4	236.7	4.9	244.8	229.8	6.5
Educational Services	58.1	53.7	8.2	53.0	46.9	13.0
Health Services and Social Assistance	190.3	183.0	4.0	191.8	182.9	4.9
Ambulatory Health Care Services	83.5	80.6	3.6	84.6	80.5	5.1
Hospitals	43.3	41.9	3.3	43.3	41.6	4.1
Nursing and Residential Care Facilities	32.0	30.4	5.3	32.2	30.4	5.9
Social Assistance	31.5	30.1	4.7	31.7	30.4	4.3
Leisure and Hospitality	173.2	173.7	-0.3	176.3	176.5	-0.1
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	32.6	30.5	6.9	32.9	30.9	6.5
Accommodation and Food Services	140.6	143.2	-1.8	143.4	145.6	-1.5
Accommodation	20.9	22.2	-5.9	21.6	22.6	-4.4
Food Services and Drinking Places	119.7	121.0	-1.1	121.8	123.0	-1.0
Other Services	46.5	46.1	0.9	46.7	46.5	0.4
Government	281.6	271.5	3.7	268.2	258.5	3.8
Federal Government	41.2	40.4	2.0	41.3	40.6	1.7
Federal Defense	19.3	19.0	1.6	19.2	18.9	1.6
Other Federal Government	21.9	21.4	2.3	22.1	21.7	1.8
State Government	93.5	88.9	5.2	90.9	86.7	4.8
State Education	54.6	51.5	6.0	51.9	49.1	5.7
Other State Government	38.9	37.4	4.0	39.0	37.6	3.7
Local Government	146.9	142.2	3.3	136.0	131.2	3.7
Local Education	79.9	77.7	2.8	68.6	66.1	3.8
Other Local Government	67.0	64.5	3.9	67.4	65.1	3.5

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics: Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS); Current Employment Statistics (CES), October 18, 2024

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

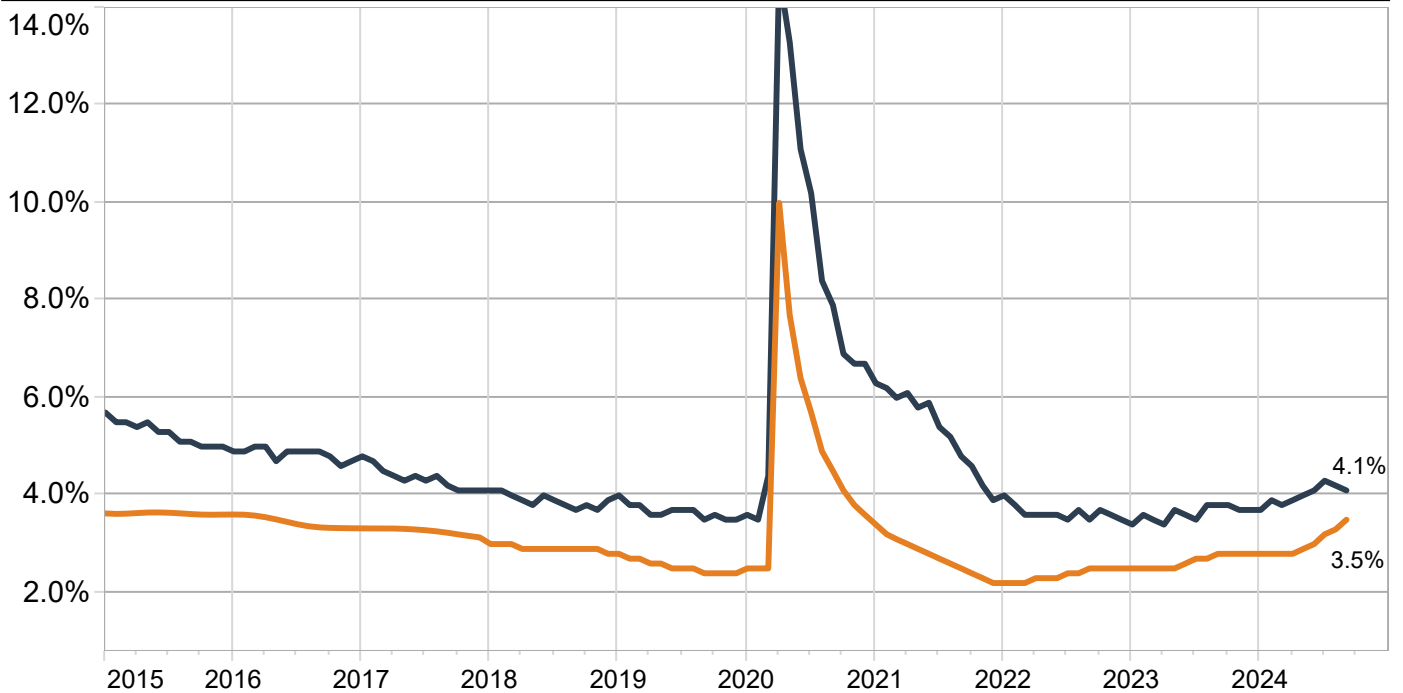
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Year-Over Percent Change In Nonfarm Jobs

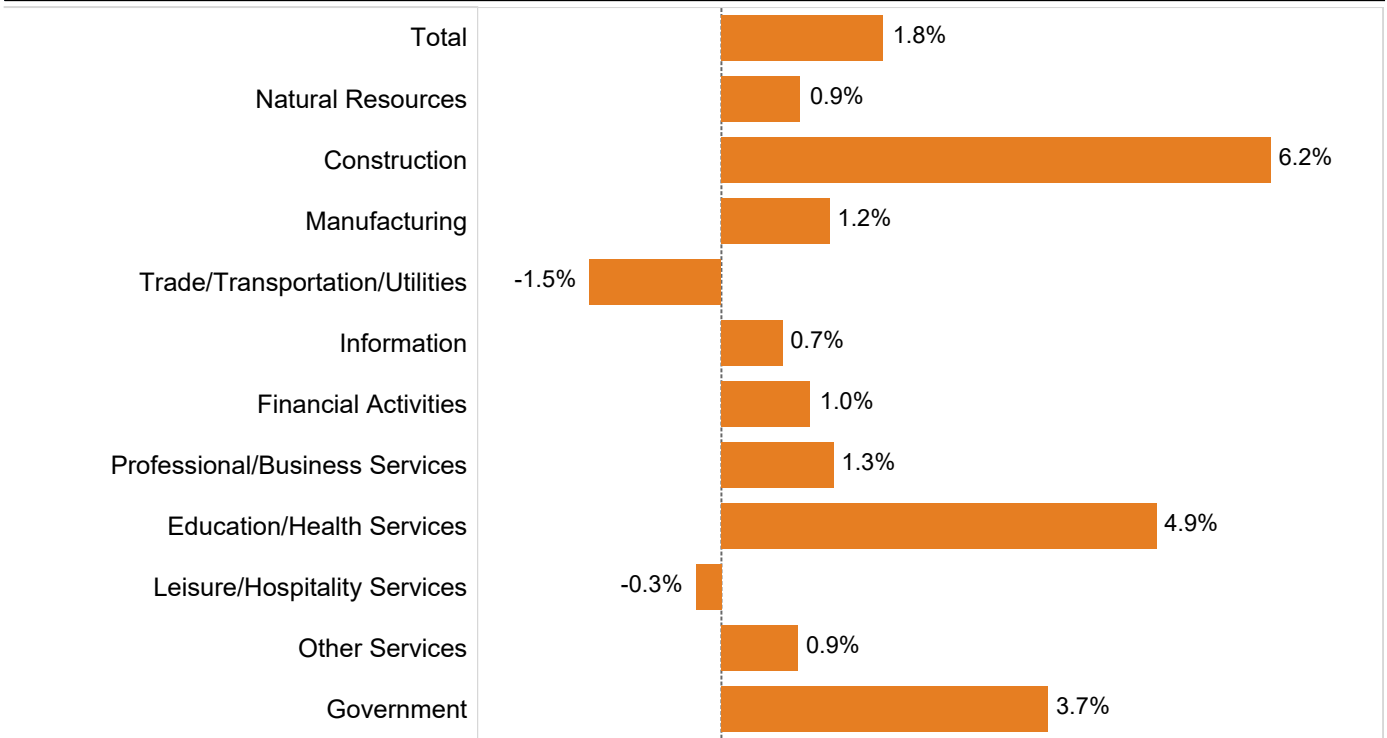


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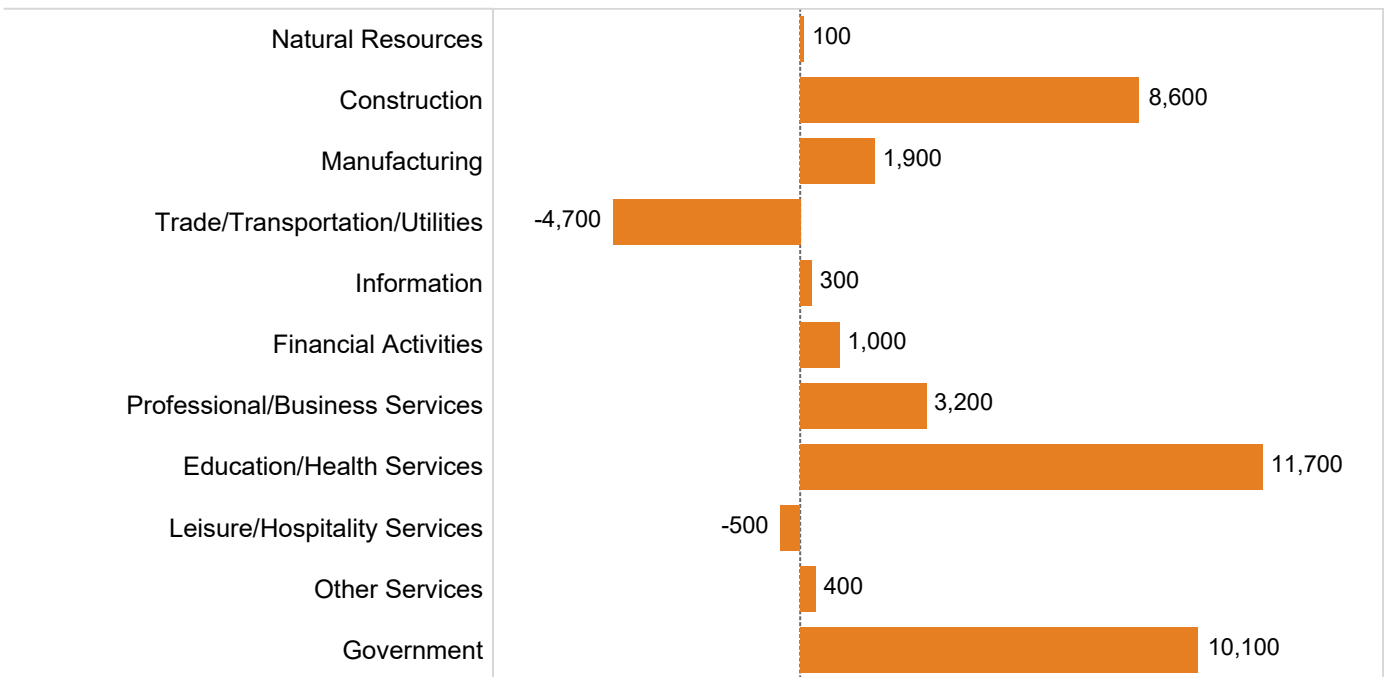
Seasonally Adjusted Unemployment Rates



Utah Nonfarm Industry Profiles September 2023 - 2024 Percent Change



Numeric Change



Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

NONFARM EMPLOYMENT IN UTAH'S COUNTIES

	September 2024 <i>Estimate</i>	September 2023 <i>Actual</i>	Percent Change	August 2024 <i>Estimate</i>	July 2024 <i>Estimate</i>
BEAVER	2,508	2,489	0.8	2,486	2,474
BOX ELDER	24,057	24,038	0.1	24,116	23,920
CACHE	67,792	67,724	0.1	65,098	64,741
CARBON	9,039	8,897	1.6	8,953	8,898
DAGGETT	501	496	1.0	526	546
DAVIS	147,590	145,840	1.2	148,110	147,130
DUCHESNE	9,148	8,973	2.0	8,971	9,012
EMERY	3,877	3,817	1.6	3,857	3,888
GARFIELD	2,745	2,715	1.1	2,835	2,871
GRAND	7,327	7,287	0.5	7,330	7,519
IRON	26,059	25,586	1.8	24,771	24,436
JUAB	4,416	4,280	3.2	4,411	4,396
KANE	4,184	4,231	(1.1)	4,298	4,329
MILLARD	5,189	4,912	5.6	5,069	5,097
MORGAN	3,269	3,091	5.8	3,176	3,163
PIUTE	321	304	5.6	302	301
RICH	1,280	1,211	5.7	1,553	1,598
SALT LAKE	812,906	805,017	1.0	810,590	806,046
SAN JUAN	4,853	4,772	1.7	4,815	4,685
SANPETE	10,095	10,125	(0.3)	9,757	9,555
SEVIER	10,035	9,945	0.9	9,951	9,920
SUMMIT	29,603	28,825	2.7	30,461	30,437
TOOELE	20,611	19,537	5.5	20,585	20,354
UINTAH	15,413	14,568	5.8	15,283	15,360
UTAH	312,950	308,934	1.3	306,262	303,117
WASATCH	12,515	12,490	0.2	12,586	12,338
WASHINGTON	88,504	86,010	2.9	85,846	84,571
WAYNE	1,293	1,290	0.2	1,303	1,284
WEBER	123,858	122,028	1.5	124,194	123,519

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, 10/18/2024