

Department of Workforce Development
Secretary's Office
201 E. Washington Avenue
P.O. Box 7946
Madison, WI 53707
Telephone: (608) 266-3131
Fax: (608) 266-1784
Email: sec@dwd.wisconsin.gov



Tony Evers, Governor
Amy Pechacek, Secretary-designee

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Dec. 15, 2022

CONTACT: DWD Communications, CommunicationsOffice@dwd.wisconsin.gov

On the Web: <https://dwd.wisconsin.gov/news/>

On Facebook: www.facebook.com/WIWorkforce

On Twitter: @WIWorkforce

BLS Data: Wisconsin Adds 6,500 Nonfarm Jobs in November, up 63,900 Jobs Over the Year

MADISON – The Department of Workforce Development (DWD) today released the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) preliminary employment estimates for the month of November 2022, which showed Wisconsin has added 6,500 nonfarm and 5,800 total private sector jobs.

The data also showed that Wisconsin had an unemployment rate of 3.3% in November, unchanged from the prior month. The labor force participation rate was 64.9%. Nationwide for the month of November, the unemployment rate was 3.7% with a labor force participation rate of 62.1%.

- **Place of Residence Data:** Wisconsin's labor force participation rate declined to 64.9% in November from 65.3% in October but was still 2.8 percentage points higher than the national rate of 62.1%. Wisconsin's unemployment rate in November was 3.3 percent, 0.4 percentage points below the national rate of 3.7%.
- **Place of Work Data:** Over the year, Wisconsin added 63,900 nonfarm jobs and 56,000 total private sector jobs. Over the month for November 2022, Wisconsin nonfarm jobs increased by 6,500 and total private sector jobs increased by 5,800. Construction reached another record high with a monthly addition of 500 while manufacturing gained 600 over the month.

"Wisconsin continues to create jobs, with another record high in the construction industry as well as strong growth in manufacturing," said DWD Secretary-designee Amy Pechacek said. "To provide for a workforce with the skills these and other industries need, Wisconsin continues to invest heavily in training, removing workforce barriers and promoting labor force participation through technical education, apprenticeship, and vocational rehabilitation."

Today's full report can be viewed on DWD's premier source for labor market information, WisConomy.com.

ABOUT DWD

[Wisconsin's Department of Workforce Development](#) efficiently delivers effective and inclusive services to meet Wisconsin's diverse workforce needs now and for the future. The department advocates for and invests in the protection and economic advancement of all Wisconsin workers, employers and job seekers through six divisions – Employment and Training, Vocational Rehabilitation, Unemployment Insurance, Equal Rights, Worker's Compensation and Administrative Services. To keep up with DWD announcements and information, [sign up for news releases](#) and follow us on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [LinkedIn](#) and [Instagram](#).

WISCONSIN LABOR FORCE SUMMARY

Seasonally Adjusted

PLACE OF RESIDENCE DATA	PRELIM.	REVISED	YEAR AGO	NET CHANGE OVER	
	Nov-22	Oct-22	Nov-21	1-Month	1-Year
Labor Force	3,084,800	3,098,500	3,134,700	-13,700	-49,900
Employment	2,982,700	2,996,400	3,037,800	-13,700	-55,100
Unemployment	102,100	102,100	96,900	0	5,200
Unemployment Rate	3.3%	3.3%	3.1%	0.0%	0.2%
US Unemployment Rate	3.7%	3.7%	4.2%	0.0%	-0.5%
Labor Force Participation Rate	64.9%	65.3%	66.4%	-0.4%	-1.5%
US Labor Force Participation Rate	62.1%	62.2%	61.9%	-0.1%	0.2%

PLACE OF WORK DATA

<i>NONFARM WAGE & SALARY</i>	2,958,500	2,952,000	2,894,600	6,500	63,900
TOTAL PRIVATE	2,561,800	2,556,000	2,505,800	5,800	56,000
GOODS PRODUCING	616,400	615,200	604,000	1,200	12,400
MINING & LOGGING	4,000	3,900	3,600	100	400
CONSTRUCTION	136,200	135,700	130,400	500	5,800
MANUFACTURING	476,200	475,600	470,000	600	6,200
Durable Goods	282,900	281,900	277,200	1,000	5,700
Nondurable Goods	193,300	193,700	192,800	-400	500
SERVICE PROVIDING	2,342,100	2,336,800	2,290,600	5,300	51,500
PRIVATE SERVICE PROVIDING	1,945,400	1,940,800	1,901,800	4,600	43,600
TRADE	421,000	420,900	409,400	100	11,600
Wholesale Trade	123,300	123,600	120,500	-300	2,800
Retail Trade	297,700	297,300	288,900	400	8,800
TRANS., WAREHOUSING, & UTILITIES	123,600	124,700	119,100	-1,100	4,500
INFORMATION	47,100	46,500	45,000	600	2,100
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	154,200	154,700	153,800	-500	400
Real Estate, Rental, & Lease	27,200	27,300	26,400	-100	800
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	328,100	328,600	314,000	-500	14,100
Prof., Scien., & Tech. Services	128,200	128,900	116,800	-700	11,400
Admin. Support & Waste Mgmt. Services	133,200	132,700	134,100	500	-900
EDUCATIONAL & HEALTH SERVICES	452,700	451,400	447,100	1,300	5,600
Educational Services	55,500	55,700	54,400	-200	1,100
Health Care & Social Assistance	397,200	395,700	392,700	1,500	4,500
LEISURE & HOSPITALITY	275,300	271,100	270,400	4,200	4,900
Arts, Entertain., & Recreation	42,300	41,700	43,000	600	-700
Accommodation & Food Services	233,000	229,400	227,400	3,600	5,600
OTHER SERVICES, except Public Admin.	143,400	142,900	143,000	500	400
GOVERNMENT	396,700	396,000	388,800	700	7,900
Federal Government	29,400	29,400	29,700	0	-300
State Government	92,200	92,200	89,900	0	2,300
Local Government	275,100	274,400	269,200	700	5,900

Note: Differences in totals may occur as a result of rounding.

Source: Local Area Unemployment Statistics and Current Employment Statistics programs, Bureau of Workforce Information and Technical Support.

Numbers in blue are statistically significant changes.

WISCONSIN LABOR FORCE SUMMARY

Not Seasonally Adjusted

PLACE OF RESIDENCE DATA	PRELIM.	REVISED	YEAR AGO	NET CHANGE OVER	
	Nov-22	Oct-22	Nov-21	1-Month	1-Year
Labor Force	3,059,200	3,068,900	3,142,100	-9,700	-82,900
Employment	2,979,600	2,982,400	3,065,500	-2,800	-85,900
Unemployment	79,600	86,500	76,600	-6,900	3,000
Unemployment Rate	2.6%	2.8%	2.4%	-0.2%	0.2%
US Unemployment Rate	3.4%	3.4%	3.9%	0.0%	-0.5%
Labor Force Participation Rate	64.4%	64.6%	66.5%	-0.2%	-2.1%
US Labor Force Participation Rate	62.1%	62.3%	61.9%	-0.2%	0.2%

PLACE OF WORK DATA

<i>NONFARM WAGE & SALARY</i>	2,978,400	2,976,200	2,914,800	2,200	63,600
TOTAL PRIVATE	2,568,100	2,569,900	2,514,100	-1,800	54,000
<i>GOODS PRODUCING</i>	618,000	620,200	605,800	-2,200	12,200
MINING & LOGGING	4,000	4,000	3,600	0	400
CONSTRUCTION	138,200	142,100	132,100	-3,900	6,100
MANUFACTURING	475,800	474,100	470,100	1,700	5,700
Durable Goods	281,800	280,700	276,100	1,100	5,700
Nondurable Goods	194,000	193,400	194,000	600	0
<i>SERVICE PROVIDING</i>	2,360,400	2,356,000	2,309,000	4,400	51,400
<i>PRIVATE SERVICE PROVIDING</i>	1,950,100	1,949,700	1,908,300	400	41,800
TRADE	427,500	421,200	416,600	6,300	10,900
Wholesale Trade	123,100	123,500	120,500	-400	2,600
Retail Trade	304,400	297,700	296,100	6,700	8,300
TRANS., WAREHOUSING, & UTILITIES	126,600	126,800	121,800	-200	4,800
Utilities	8,300	8,400	8,300	-100	0
INFORMATION	47,200	46,500	45,300	700	1,900
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	153,800	154,500	153,600	-700	200
Finance and Insurance	126,700	127,100	127,500	-400	-800
Real Estate, Rental, & Lease	27,100	27,400	26,100	-300	1,000
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	329,800	333,000	316,800	-3,200	13,000
Prof., Scien., & Tech. Services	127,200	128,300	116,200	-1,100	11,000
Mgmt. Of Companies and Enterprises	66,700	66,900	63,200	-200	3,500
Admin. Support & Waste Mgmt. Services	135,900	137,800	137,400	-1,900	-1,500
EDUCATIONAL & HEALTH SERVICES	456,500	454,000	451,400	2,500	5,100
Educational Services	58,900	58,500	58,100	400	800
Health Care & Social Assistance	397,600	395,500	393,300	2,100	4,300
LEISURE & HOSPITALITY	265,600	270,800	260,000	-5,200	5,600
Arts, Entertain., & Recreation	37,600	42,000	38,100	-4,400	-500
Accommodation & Food Services	228,000	228,800	221,900	-800	6,100
OTHER SERVICES, except Public Admin.	143,100	142,900	142,800	200	300
GOVERNMENT	410,300	406,300	400,700	4,000	9,600
Federal Government	29,500	29,500	29,800	0	-300
State Government	99,300	98,700	96,900	600	2,400
Local Government	281,500	278,100	274,000	3,400	7,500

Note: Differences in totals may occur as a result of rounding.

Source: Local Area Unemployment Statistics and Current Employment Statistics programs, Bureau of Workforce Information and Technical Support.

Numbers in **blue** are statistically significant changes.