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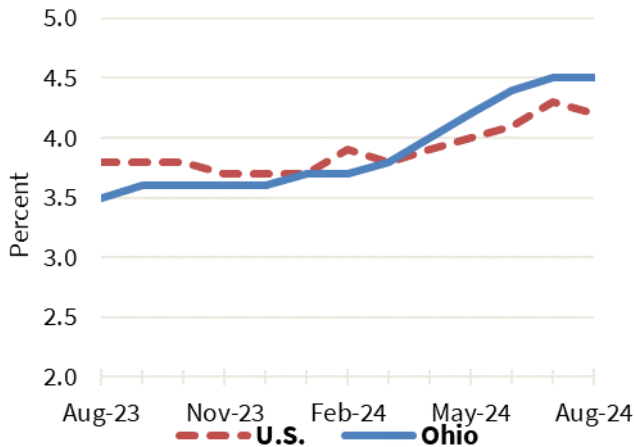
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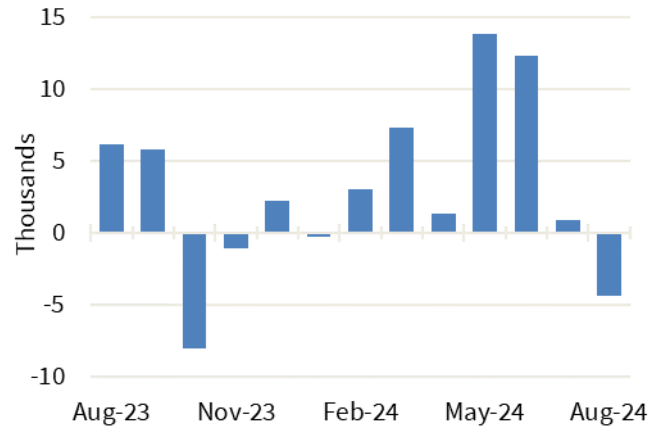
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**Ohio and U.S. Unemployment Rates,
seasonally adjusted, August 2023 – August 2024**



**Ohio Nonfarm Payroll Employment Over-the-Month Change,
seasonally adjusted, August 2023 – August 2024**



Household Survey Data

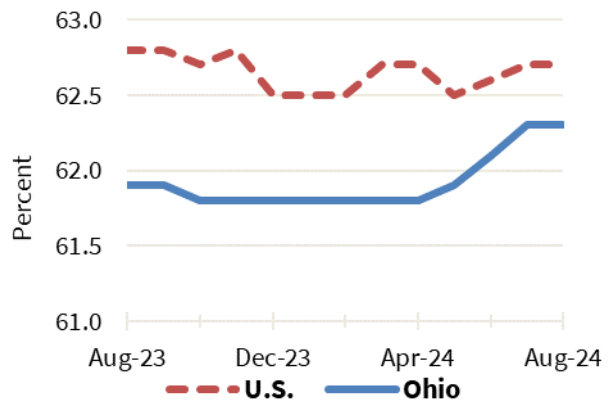
The number of workers unemployed in Ohio in August was 263,000, down from 264,000 in July. The number of unemployed has increased by 61,000 in the past 12 months from 202,000. The August unemployment rate for Ohio has increased 1.0 percentage points from 3.5% in August 2023.

The U.S. unemployment rate for August 2024 was 4.2%, down from 4.3% in July 2024 and up from 3.8% in August 2023.



In August 2024, the labor force participation rate in Ohio was 62.3%, unchanged from 62.3% in July 2024 and up from 61.9% in August 2023. During the same period, the national labor force participation rate was 62.7%, unchanged from 62.7% in July 2024 and down from 62.8% in August 2023.

Ohio and U.S. Labor Force Participation Rates, seasonally adjusted, August 2023 – August 2024



Establishment Survey Data

Ohio’s nonagricultural wage and salary employment decreased 4,400 over the month, from a revised 5,668,400 in July to 5,664,000 in August, according to the latest business establishment survey conducted by the U.S. Department of Labor (Bureau of Labor Statistics) in cooperation with the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services (ODJFS).

Employment in goods-producing industries, at 941,600, decreased 200 with losses in manufacturing (-2,100) outweighing gains in construction (+1,800) and mining and logging (+100). The private service-providing sector, at 3,936,100, decreased 3,300 as losses in other services (-2,500); financial activities (-900); professional and business services (-800); information (-600); and leisure and hospitality (-200) exceeded gains in private educational and health services (+900) and trade, transportation, and utilities (+800). Government employment, at 786,300, decreased 900 with losses in local government (-1,200) outpacing gains in state government (+300). Federal government employment did not change over the month.

From August 2023 to August 2024, nonagricultural wage and salary employment increased 32,700. Employment in goods-producing industries increased 5,000 led by construction which added 9,300 jobs. Manufacturing lost 4,400 jobs as losses in durable goods (-6,400) outweighed gains in nondurable goods (+2,000). Mining and logging added 100 jobs over the year. Employment in the private service-providing sector increased 26,600 as gains in private educational and health services (+39,900); other services (+6,900); and professional and business services (+700) surpassed losses in financial activities (-14,600); trade, transportation, and utilities (-3,100); information (-2,700); and leisure and hospitality (-500). Government employment increased 1,100 as gains in federal (+1,400) and state (+1,400) government outpaced losses in local government (-1,700).

EDITOR’S NOTE: All data cited are produced in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor. Data sources include the Current Population Survey (U.S. data), Current Employment Statistics Program (nonagricultural wage and salary employment data), and Local Area Unemployment Statistics Program (Ohio unemployment rates). More complete listings of the data appear in the monthly Ohio Labor Market Review. Unemployment rates for all Ohio counties, as well as cities with populations of 25,000 or more, are presented in the monthly ODJFS Civilian Labor Force Estimates publication. Updated statewide historical data June be obtained through the OhioLMI app, which is available for free on mobile devices



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through the App Store or Google Play. Ohioans can access tens of thousands of job openings, for positions ranging from file clerks to CEOs, at <https://ohiomeansjobs.ohio.gov>.

News Release Dates

A calendar of 2024 release dates is available online at <https://ohiolmi.com/Home/Events>.

County, city, and metropolitan area unemployment rates for August 2024 will be posted online at <https://ohiolmi.com> on Tuesday, September 24, 2024. September 2024 unemployment rates and nonagricultural wage and salary data for Ohio will be released by ODJFS on Friday, October 18, 2024. This information and the monthly statistical summaries it is based on are also available at <http://jfs.ohio.gov/ocomm>.

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The Ohio Department of Job and Family Services manages vital programs that strengthen Ohio families. These include job training and employment services, unemployment insurance, cash and food assistance, child care, child and adult protective services, adoption, and child support services.

