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January 2013 Labor Report

- Kansas gained 16,900 nonfarm jobs over the year, a 1.3 percent increase. Kansas gained 19,300 private sector jobs since January 2012, a 1.8 percent increase.
- Over the month, Kansas lost 27,700 nonfarm jobs, a 2 percent decrease. Kansas lost 19,400 private sector jobs since December 2012, a 1.7 percent decrease. These losses are due to seasonal factors.
- The January 2013 unemployment rate in Kansas was 6.2 percent, up from 5.3 percent in December 2012 and down from 6.3 percent one year ago.
- The January 2013 seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 5.5 percent, unchanged from last month and down from 5.9 percent in January 2012.

Learn about the difference between seasonally adjusted and not seasonally adjusted numbers [here](#).

- Eight of the 11 major industries in Kansas reported over-the-year job gains. These gains were greatest in:
 - Professional and business services increased by 8,600 jobs, a 5.8 percent gain. Growth was throughout the sector.
 - Leisure and hospitality gained 3,000 jobs, a 2.7 percent increase, with gains primarily in accommodation and food services.
 - Financial activities gained 2,400 jobs, a 3.3 percent increase. The gains were throughout the sector.
- Three of the 11 major industries reported statewide over-the-year job losses. These were in:
 - Government lost 2,400 jobs, a 0.9 percent reduction. Losses were at the federal and state levels.
 - Construction declined by 1,700 jobs, or 3.4 percent. The losses were throughout the sector.
 - Other services lost 100 jobs or a 0.2 percent decline.
- One of the 11 major industries in Kansas reported over-the-month job gains:
 - Financial activities gained 1,000 jobs, a 1.3 percent increase. Gains were in finance and insurance.
- Ten of the 11 major industries reported statewide over-the-month job losses. These losses were greatest in the following areas:
 - Government lost 8,300 jobs, a 3.1 percent reduction, in federal, state and local government.
 - Trade, transportation and utilities lost 6,900 jobs, or 2.6 percent. Losses were throughout the sector.
 - Construction lost 4,100 jobs, a 7.8 percent decline. Losses were throughout the sector.

- There were 17,417 initial claims for unemployment benefits in January 2013, down from 20,353 initial claims in December 2012 and down from 20,877 last year. There were 149,101 continued claims in January 2013, down from 163,201 the previous month and down from 243,759 in January 2012. These numbers include all available programs.
- Annually, the monthly statistics are revised according to standards set by the U.S. Department of Labor, to assure consistency of reporting among the states. Revisions to the following have been completed and are available on the KDOL website:
 - 2011 and 2012 nonfarm data,
 - Statewide civilian labor force data for 2008-2012,
 - Sub-state civilian labor force data for 2012 (subject to further revision) and
 - Sub-state civilian labor force data for 2008-2011 will be released with the February Labor Report.

The February 2013 Labor Report will be released on March 28, 2013.

Quotes

Lana Gordon, Secretary of Labor

"The Kansas labor market has continued to improve adding more than 19,000 private sector jobs this past year. This is a positive start for 2013 that we hope to see continue."

Tyler Tenbrink, KDOL Senior Labor Economist

"After seasonal factors are accounted for, Kansas started the year with healthy job growth in the private sector. This is on top of favorable annual revisions to the 2011 and 2012 employment estimates."

Current Conditions: January 2013

Not Seasonally Adjusted

Unemployment Rate 6.2%

Seasonally Adjusted

Unemployment Rate 5.5%

Learn the difference between the rates [here](#).

Initial Claims (all programs) 17,417

Non-Farm Jobs 1,348,600

Civilian Labor Force 1,482,338

CPI-Midwest 1.3%
(change since January 2012)

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