

## Fact Sheet

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### April 2013 Labor Report

- Kansas gained 12,100 nonfarm jobs over the year, a 0.9 percent increase. Kansas gained 12,300 private sector jobs since April 2012, a 1.1 percent increase.
- Over the month, Kansas gained 10,200 nonfarm jobs, a 0.7 percent increase. Private sector jobs increased by 11,000, or 1 percent, since March.
- The April 2013 unemployment rate in Kansas was 5.3 percent, down from 5.8 percent last month and down from 5.4 percent one year ago.
- The April 2013 seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 5.5 percent, down from 5.6 percent in March 2013 and down from 5.8 percent in April 2012.

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

- Seven of the 11 major industries in Kansas reported over-the-year job gains. These gains were greatest in:
  - Professional and business services increased by 7,300 jobs, a 4.8 percent gain. Growth was throughout the sector.
  - Manufacturing gained 3,500 jobs, a 2.2 percent increase. The gains were in both durable and non-durable goods.
  - Financial activities rose by 2,000 jobs, or 2.7 percent, with gains in the entire sector.
- Four of the 11 major industries reported statewide over-the-year job losses. These were greatest in:
  - Construction lost 1,400 jobs, a 2.6 percent reduction. Losses were throughout the sectors.
  - Leisure and hospitality lost 800 jobs, a 0.7 percent decline. Losses were in arts, entertainment and recreation.
  - Government lost 200 jobs or 0.1 percent. Losses were at the federal level.
- Eight of the 11 major industries in Kansas reported over-the-month job gains:
  - Professional and business services grew by 3,200 jobs, a 2 percent increase. Gains were in professional, scientific and technical services and administrative and support, waste management and remediation services.
  - Leisure and hospitality gained 3,000 jobs, an increase of 2.6 percent. Gains were throughout the sector.
  - Trade, transportation and utilities gained 2,200 jobs, a 0.9 percent increase. Gains were in wholesale and retail trade.
- Two of the 11 major industries reported statewide over-the-month job losses. These losses were in the following areas:
  - Government lost 800 jobs, or 0.3 percent. Losses were at all levels.
  - Other services lost 400 jobs, or 0.8 percent.

- There were 13,187 initial claims for unemployment benefits in April 2013, down from 15,069 initial claims in March 2013 and down from 14,701 last year. There were 140,862 continued claims in April 2013, up from 128,261 the previous month and down from 199,393 in April 2012. These numbers include all available programs.

The May Labor Report will be released on June 20, 2013.

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## Quotes

### Lana Gordon, Secretary of Labor

“Private sector jobs increased by 11,000 and nonfarm jobs gained more than 10,000. Looking at our yearly report, Kansas gained 12,100 nonfarm jobs and 12,300 private sector jobs since April of 2012.”

### Tyler Tenbrink, KDOL Senior Labor Economist

“In April the number of initial unemployment claims fell to levels not seen since 2008. This shows the rate of job loss has returned to a healthy level, which is good news, however, job growth was not as strong as expected for the month of April.”

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## Current Conditions: April 2013

### Not Seasonally Adjusted

Unemployment Rate ..... 5.3%

### Seasonally Adjusted

Unemployment Rate ..... 5.5%

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

Initial Claims (all programs) ..... 13,187

Non-Farm Jobs ..... 1,372,200

Civilian Labor Force ..... 1,492,037

CPI-Midwest ..... 1.2%  
(change since April 2012)

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