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Labor Market Report June 2018

TOPEKA, Kan. – Preliminary estimates reported by the Kansas Department of Labor (KDOL) and Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) show a [seasonally adjusted unemployment rate](#) of 3.4 percent in June. This was unchanged from May and down from 3.6 percent in June 2017.

“Current trends in the Kansas labor market are strong,” said Secretary Lana Gordon. “Job growth has exceeded the national average and the number of people receiving unemployment benefits is the lowest in ten years.”

Seasonally adjusted job estimates indicate total Kansas nonfarm jobs increased by 1,900 from May. [Private sector jobs](#), a subset of total nonfarm jobs, increased by 1,600 from the previous month.

“Private sector job growth in Kansas has accelerated throughout 2018,” said Labor Economist, Emilie Doerksen. “June was the 10th consecutive month of private sector job gains in the state, including consistent growth in professional and business services and recent increases in manufacturing and trade, transportation and utilities.”

Since June 2017, Kansas gained 24,800 [seasonally adjusted total nonfarm jobs](#) and 22,200 private sector jobs.

INDUSTRIAL EMPLOYMENT

	June	May	June	Over the Month Change		Over the Year Change	
	2018	2018	2017	Actual	Percentage	Actual	Percentage
Kansas - Seasonally Adjusted							
Total Nonfarm	1,424.7	1,422.8	1,399.9	1.9	0.1%	24.8	1.8%
Total Private	1,166.7	1,165.1	1,144.5	1.6	0.1%	22.2	1.9%
Goods-Producing	233.5	233.2	228.5	0.3	0.1%	5.0	2.2%
Mining and Logging	7.1	7.2	6.8	-0.1	-1.4%	0.3	4.4%
Construction	60.7	60.2	59.9	0.5	0.8%	0.8	1.3%
Manufacturing	165.7	165.8	161.8	-0.1	-0.1%	3.9	2.4%
Service-Providing	1,191.2	1,189.6	1,171.4	1.6	0.1%	19.8	1.7%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	271.8	271.8	266.5	0.0	0.0%	5.3	2.0%
Information	18.8	18.9	19.2	-0.1	-0.5%	-0.4	-2.1%
Financial Activities	80.0	79.0	78.3	1.0	1.3%	1.7	2.2%
Professional & Business Services	183.5	183.0	176.8	0.5	0.3%	6.7	3.8%
Education & Health Services	197.0	198.2	196.8	-1.2	-0.6%	0.2	0.1%
Leisure & Hospitality	131.0	131.2	128.0	-0.2	-0.2%	3.0	2.3%
Other Services	51.1	49.8	50.4	1.3	2.6%	0.7	1.4%
Government	258.0	257.7	255.4	0.3	0.1%	2.6	1.0%
*Data in thousands.							

BLS revised seasonally adjusted preliminary total nonfarm jobs estimates for May upward by 3,100 jobs, from 1,419,700 to 1,422,800. Seasonally adjusted private sector jobs were revised upward by 3,100 jobs, from 1,162,000 to 1,165,100.

HOUSEHOLD AND UNEMPLOYMENT

		Over the Month	Over the Year
	Current Level	Change	Change
Kansas - Seasonally Adjusted			
Unemployment Rate	3.4%	0.0	-0.2
Employed Individuals	1,427,384	1,789	1,770
Unemployed Individuals	49,846	-111	-3,514
Labor Force	1,477,230	1,678	-1,744
Kansas - Not Seasonally Adjusted			
Unemployment Rate	3.6%	0.4	-0.3
Employed Individuals	1,443,559	19,691	7,725
Unemployed Individuals	54,342	6,687	-3,562
Labor Force	1,497,901	26,378	4,163
Labor Force Participation Rate (Seasonally Adj.)	66.4%	0.1	-0.3
Initial Claims	6,689	-854	-2,499
Continued Claims	36,452	1,069	-8,624

HELPFUL LINKS

For more information and to leave feedback on other data product requests please email us at KDOL.laborstats@ks.gov.

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

Procedures for producing Industrial Employment estimates from the Current Employment Statistics (CES) program, e.g., nonfarm jobs, are available on the BLS website [here](#).

Information on procedures for producing Household estimates from the Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS) program, e.g., labor force, is available on the BLS website [here](#).

For more information on the unemployment insurance program, including tax and claims data, refer to the [KDOL Unemployment Insurance Weekly Review](#).

Complete Kansas labor market information for June is available [here](#).

The July 2018 Labor Report will be released on Friday, August 17.

Audio clips of the Labor Market Report quotes by Secretary of Labor, Lana Gordon and Labor Economist, Emilie Doerksen are available online, courtesy of the Kansas Department of Labor.

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