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**Labor Market Report  
July 2019**

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 3.3 percent in July. This was down from 3.4 percent in June and unchanged from 3.3 percent in July 2018.

“July marks the second consecutive month the unemployment rate declined in Kansas, falling to 3.3 percent,” said Secretary Delía García. “The unemployment rate is one of the most familiar labor statistics and represents the percentage of our labor force that is available and interested in finding a job.”

Seasonally adjusted job estimates indicate total Kansas nonfarm jobs increased by 2,500 from June. [Private sector jobs](#), a subset of total nonfarm jobs, increased by 3,700 from the previous month.

“Preliminary estimates for July show Kansas added 2,500 jobs over the month. Additionally, job estimates for June were revised upward by 2,100 jobs,” said Senior Labor Economist, Tyler Tenbrink. “Looking back over the last 12 months, Kansas has posted a notable increase of 14,200 jobs.”

Since July 2018, Kansas gained 14,200 [seasonally adjusted total nonfarm jobs](#) and 14,000 private sector jobs.

## OVERVIEW

		<u>Current Level</u>	<u>Over the Month</u> <u>Change</u>	<u>Over the Year</u> <u>Change</u>
Jobs*	Total Nonfarm	1,430,400	2,500	14,200
	Total Private Sector	1,172,200	3,700	14,000
	Total Government	258,200	-1,200	200
Labor Force*	Labor Force	1,478,906	-653	-2,870
	<i>Participation Rate</i>	<i>66.4%</i>	<i>0.0</i>	<i>-0.3</i>
	Employed Individuals	1,430,121	262	-3,232
	Unemployed Individuals	48,785	-915	362
	<i>Unemployment Rate</i>	<i>3.3%</i>	<i>-0.1</i>	<i>0.0</i>
Unemployment Insurance	Initial Claims	7,933	1,896	891
	Continued Claims	42,500	9,949	-2,105

\* Estimates are seasonally adjusted

BLS revised seasonally adjusted preliminary total nonfarm jobs estimates for June upward by 2,100 jobs, from 1,425,800 to 1,427,900. Seasonally adjusted private sector jobs were revised upward by 1,000 jobs, from 1,167,500 to 1,168,500.

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

**HELPFUL LINKS** are located [here](#)

The August 2019 Labor Report will be released on Friday, September 20.

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*Audio clips of the Labor Market Report quotes by Secretary of Labor, Delia Garcia and Senior Labor Economist, Tyler Tenbrink are available online, courtesy of the Kansas Department of Labor.*

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