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BLS Data: Wisconsin Adds 12,300 Private-Sector, 11,400 Non-Farm Jobs Over Year

MADISON – The Department of Workforce Development (DWD) today released the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) preliminary employment estimates for the month of September. The data shows that Wisconsin added 12,300 private-sector and 11,400 total non-farm jobs from September 2018 to September 2019. Wisconsin's labor force participation rate remained at 67.2 percent in September, while the state's unemployment rate in September was 3.2 percent. The national unemployment rate for September 2019 was 3.5 percent.

- **Place of Residence Data:** Wisconsin's labor force participation rate remained at 67.2 percent in September, 4.0 percent higher than the national rate of 63.2 percent. Wisconsin's unemployment rate in September was 3.2 percent, 0.3 percent lower than the national rate of 3.5 percent.
- **Place of Work Data:** Wisconsin added 12,300 private-sector and 11,400 total non-farm jobs from September 2018 to September 2019. From August 2019 to September 2019 Wisconsin added 1,900 private-sector and 3,000 total non-farm jobs,

"September's labor numbers emphasize the importance that our programming and policies prioritize economic growth for all Wisconsin families and businesses," DWD Secretary-designee Caleb Frostman said. "With Wisconsin's current unemployment rate and the continued workforce shortage, we must ensure all Wisconsinites earn family-supporting wages and benefits. We will continue to enhance our programming to meet the needs of the Wisconsin workforce."

Today's full report can be viewed on DWD's premier source for labor market information, WisConomy.com.

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WISCONSIN LABOR FORCE SUMMARY

Seasonally Adjusted

PLACE OF RESIDENCE DATA	PRELIM.	REVISED	YEAR AGO	NET CHANGE OVER	
	Sep-19	Aug-19	Sep-18	1-Month	1-Year
Labor Force	3,121,200	3,121,000	3,124,800	200	-3,600
Employment	3,020,500	3,024,200	3,031,200	-3,700	-10,700
Unemployment	100,700	96,800	93,600	3,900	7,100
Unemployment Rate	3.2%	3.1%	3.0%	0.1%	0.2%
US Unemployment Rate	3.5%	3.7%	3.7%	-0.2%	-0.2%
Labor Force Participation Rate	67.2%	67.2%	67.6%	0.0%	-0.4%
US Labor Force Participation Rate	63.2%	63.2%	62.7%	0.0%	0.5%

PLACE OF WORK DATA

<i>NONFARM WAGE & SALARY</i>	2,981,700	2,978,700	2,970,300	3,000	11,400
TOTAL PRIVATE	2,575,800	2,573,900	2,563,500	1,900	12,300
GOODS PRODUCING	603,000	603,600	605,700	-600	-2,700
MINING & LOGGING	4,600	4,700	4,700	-100	-100
CONSTRUCTION	127,400	125,700	123,200	1,700	4,200
MANUFACTURING	471,000	473,200	477,800	-2,200	-6,800
Durable Goods	281,900	282,500	288,800	-600	-6,900
Nondurable Goods	189,100	190,700	189,000	-1,600	100
SERVICE PROVIDING	2,378,700	2,375,100	2,364,600	3,600	14,100
PRIVATE SERVICE PROVIDING	1,972,800	1,970,300	1,957,800	2,500	15,000
TRADE	437,100	435,500	432,300	1,600	4,800
Wholesale Trade	127,800	128,100	127,700	-300	100
Retail Trade	309,300	307,400	304,600	1,900	4,700
TRANS., WAREHOUSING, & UTILITIES	112,500	112,400	110,700	100	1,800
INFORMATION	48,500	48,500	47,200	0	1,300
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	152,300	153,800	152,800	-1,500	-500
Real Estate, Rental, & Lease	26,700	26,900	26,600	-200	100
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	322,700	322,800	324,300	-100	-1,600
Prof., Scien., & Tech. Services	112,600	112,800	112,000	-200	600
Admin. Support & Waste Mgmt. Services	143,700	143,400	145,100	300	-1,400
EDUCATIONAL & HEALTH SERVICES	459,300	458,200	457,100	1,100	2,200
Educational Services	53,300	53,200	52,300	100	1,000
Health Care & Social Assistance	406,000	405,000	404,800	1,000	1,200
LEISURE & HOSPITALITY	285,400	284,800	281,400	600	4,000
Arts, Entertain., & Recreation	45,600	45,600	42,300	0	3,300
Accommodation & Food Services	239,800	239,200	239,100	600	700
OTHER SERVICES, except Public Admin.	155,000	154,300	152,000	700	3,000
GOVERNMENT	405,900	404,800	406,800	1,100	-900
Federal Government	29,400	29,600	29,000	-200	400
State Government	91,600	92,300	93,700	-700	-2,100
Local Government	284,900	282,900	284,100	2,000	800

Note: Differences in totals may occur as a result of rounding.

Source: Local Area Unemployment Statistics and Current Employment Statistics programs, Bureau of Workforce Information and Technical Support.

Numbers in **blue** are statistically significant changes.

WISCONSIN LABOR FORCE SUMMARY

Not Seasonally Adjusted

PLACE OF RESIDENCE DATA	PRELIM.	REVISED	YEAR AGO	NET CHANGE OVER	
	Sep-19	Aug-19	Sep-18	1-Month	1-Year
Labor Force	3,109,100	3,146,600	3,112,100	-37,500	-3,000
Employment	3,017,800	3,041,400	3,038,400	-23,600	-20,600
Unemployment	91,300	105,300	73,600	-14,000	17,700
Unemployment Rate	2.9%	3.3%	2.4%	-0.4%	0.5%
US Unemployment Rate	3.3%	3.8%	3.6%	-0.5%	-0.3%
Labor Force Participation Rate	66.9%	67.8%	67.3%	-0.9%	-0.4%
US Labor Force Participation Rate	63.1%	63.2%	62.7%	-0.1%	0.4%

PLACE OF WORK DATA

<i>NONFARM WAGE & SALARY</i>	2,988,000	2,996,600	2,981,100	-8,600	6,900
TOTAL PRIVATE	2,589,200	2,623,300	2,576,800	-34,100	12,400
<i>GOODS PRODUCING</i>	610,500	619,900	612,400	-9,400	-1,900
MINING & LOGGING	4,800	5,000	4,900	-200	-100
CONSTRUCTION	135,100	136,000	129,200	-900	5,900
MANUFACTURING	470,600	478,900	478,300	-8,300	-7,700
Durable Goods	280,800	285,500	287,800	-4,700	-7,000
Nondurable Goods	189,800	193,400	190,500	-3,600	-700
<i>SERVICE PROVIDING</i>	2,377,500	2,376,700	2,368,700	800	8,800
<i>PRIVATE SERVICE PROVIDING</i>	1,978,700	2,003,400	1,964,400	-24,700	14,300
TRADE	434,000	438,100	428,300	-4,100	5,700
Wholesale Trade	127,000	129,300	127,200	-2,300	-200
Retail Trade	307,000	308,800	301,100	-1,800	5,900
TRANS., WAREHOUSING, & UTILITIES	114,300	113,000	112,000	1,300	2,300
Utilities	9,000	9,200	9,100	-200	-100
INFORMATION	48,600	48,800	47,000	-200	1,600
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	151,800	155,300	152,800	-3,500	-1,000
Finance and Insurance	124,700	127,100	125,800	-2,400	-1,100
Real Estate, Rental, & Lease	27,100	28,200	27,000	-1,100	100
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	325,500	326,900	326,600	-1,400	-1,100
Prof., Scien., & Tech. Services	111,400	112,700	110,500	-1,300	900
Mgmt. Of Companies and Enterprises	66,200	67,200	67,100	-1,000	-900
Admin. Support & Waste Mgmt. Services	147,900	147,000	149,000	900	-1,100
EDUCATIONAL & HEALTH SERVICES	458,900	453,300	456,500	5,600	2,400
Educational Services	53,700	45,500	52,800	8,200	900
Health Care & Social Assistance	405,200	407,800	403,700	-2,600	1,500
LEISURE & HOSPITALITY	291,800	312,900	289,100	-21,100	2,700
Arts, Entertain., & Recreation	48,000	56,200	45,300	-8,200	2,700
Accommodation & Food Services	243,800	256,700	243,800	-12,900	0
OTHER SERVICES, except Public Admin.	153,800	155,100	152,100	-1,300	1,700
GOVERNMENT	398,800	373,300	404,300	25,500	-5,500
Federal Government	29,500	29,700	29,100	-200	400
State Government	91,400	80,300	96,100	11,100	-4,700
Local Government	277,900	263,300	279,100	14,600	-1,200

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