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BLS Data: Wisconsin Adds 15,100 Total Non-Farm, 19,200 Private-Sector Jobs in December

MADISON – The Department of Workforce Development (DWD) today released the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) preliminary employment estimates for the month of December 2020. The data shows that Wisconsin total non-farm jobs and private-sector jobs increased 15,100 and 19,200 respectively. Wisconsin's unemployment rate for December was 5.5 percent, up from November's revised rate of 5.3 percent.

- **Place of Residence Data:** Wisconsin's labor force participation rate in December was 66.7, 5.2 percent higher than the national rate of 61.5 percent. Wisconsin's unemployment rate in December was 5.5 percent, while the national unemployment rate in December was 6.7 percent.
- **Place of Work Data:** Wisconsin total non-farm jobs increased in the month of December by 15,100 while private-sector jobs increased by 19,200 during the same time period.

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	
	Dec-20	Nov-20	Dec-19	1-Month	1-Year
Labor Force	3,113,900	3,116,000	3,108,100	-2,100	5,800
Employment	2,942,200	2,950,900	3,000,600	-8,700	-58,400
Unemployment	171,700	165,100	107,600	6,600	64,100
Unemployment Rate	5.5%	5.3%	3.5%	0.2%	2.0%
US Unemployment Rate	6.7%	6.7%	3.5%	0.0%	3.2%
Labor Force Participation Rate	66.7%	66.8%	66.9%	-0.1%	-0.2%
US Labor Force Participation Rate	61.5%	61.5%	63.2%	0.0%	-1.7%

PLACE OF WORK DATA

NONFARM WAGE & SALARY	2,779,400	2,764,300	2,987,500	15,100	-208,100
TOTAL PRIVATE	2,407,400	2,388,200	2,581,600	19,200	-174,200
GOODS PRODUCING	603,700	595,900	613,500	7,800	-9,800
MINING & LOGGING	3,800	3,600	4,100	200	-300
CONSTRUCTION	128,100	127,000	124,200	1,100	3,900
MANUFACTURING	471,800	465,300	485,200	6,500	-13,400
Durable Goods	275,700	273,000	287,800	2,700	-12,100
Nondurable Goods	196,100	192,300	197,400	3,800	-1,300
SERVICE PROVIDING	2,175,700	2,168,400	2,374,000	7,300	-198,300
PRIVATE SERVICE PROVIDING	1,803,700	1,792,300	1,968,100	11,400	-164,400
TRADE	409,300	400,500	419,900	8,800	-10,600
Wholesale Trade	116,300	116,000	124,000	300	-7,700
Retail Trade	293,000	284,500	295,900	8,500	-2,900
TRANS., WAREHOUSING, & UTILITIES	116,000	114,900	111,400	1,100	4,600
INFORMATION	39,800	39,400	46,800	400	-7,000
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	153,000	153,100	155,100	-100	-2,100
Real Estate, Rental, & Lease	27,500	27,300	27,100	200	400
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	308,500	306,600	329,000	1,900	-20,500
Prof., Scien., & Tech. Services	114,800	113,400	116,100	1,400	-1,300
Admin. Support & Waste Mgmt. Services	129,400	129,800	146,800	-400	-17,400
EDUCATIONAL & HEALTH SERVICES	436,300	434,200	468,100	2,100	-31,800
Educational Services	43,300	44,400	54,400	-1,100	-11,100
Health Care & Social Assistance	393,000	389,800	413,700	3,200	-20,700
LEISURE & HOSPITALITY	205,800	207,900	285,800	-2,100	-80,000
Arts, Entertain., & Recreation	28,400	29,000	45,300	-600	-16,900
Accommodation & Food Services	177,400	178,900	240,500	-1,500	-63,100
OTHER SERVICES, except Public Admin.	135,000	135,700	152,000	-700	-17,000
GOVERNMENT	372,000	376,100	405,900	-4,100	-33,900
Federal Government	29,900	29,800	29,200	100	700
State Government	81,700	82,800	94,200	-1,100	-12,500
Local Government	260,400	263,500	282,500	-3,100	-22,100

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	
	Dec-20	Nov-20	Dec-19	1-Month	1-Year
Labor Force	3,094,100	3,103,500	3,090,000	-9,400	4,100
Employment	2,931,600	2,958,900	2,990,600	-27,300	-59,000
Unemployment	162,600	144,600	99,400	18,000	63,200
Unemployment Rate	5.3%	4.7%	3.2%	0.6%	2.1%
US Unemployment Rate	6.5%	6.4%	3.4%	0.1%	3.1%
Labor Force Participation Rate	66.3%	66.5%	66.5%	-0.2%	-0.2%
US Labor Force Participation Rate	61.3%	61.5%	63.0%	-0.2%	-1.7%

PLACE OF WORK DATA

<i>NONFARM WAGE & SALARY</i>	2,790,600	2,789,100	2,996,300	1,500	-205,700
TOTAL PRIVATE	2,406,300	2,398,100	2,578,300	8,200	-172,000
<i>GOODS PRODUCING</i>	596,500	597,500	606,100	-1,000	-9,600
MINING & LOGGING	3,600	3,600	3,900	0	-300
CONSTRUCTION	122,600	128,200	118,700	-5,600	3,900
MANUFACTURING	470,300	465,700	483,500	4,600	-13,200
Durable Goods	274,100	271,700	286,100	2,400	-12,000
Nondurable Goods	196,200	194,000	197,400	2,200	-1,200
<i>SERVICE PROVIDING</i>	2,194,100	2,191,600	2,390,200	2,500	-196,100
<i>PRIVATE SERVICE PROVIDING</i>	1,809,800	1,800,600	1,972,200	9,200	-162,400
TRADE	419,000	409,600	429,500	9,400	-10,500
Wholesale Trade	116,600	116,800	124,300	-200	-7,700
Retail Trade	302,400	292,800	305,200	9,600	-2,800
TRANS., WAREHOUSING, & UTILITIES	118,100	117,400	113,400	700	4,700
Utilities	8,400	8,400	8,700	0	-300
INFORMATION	40,200	39,600	47,300	600	-7,100
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	153,000	152,100	155,200	900	-2,200
Finance and Insurance	125,800	125,300	128,500	500	-2,700
Real Estate, Rental, & Lease	27,200	26,800	26,700	400	500
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	307,700	309,300	327,700	-1,600	-20,000
Prof., Scien., & Tech. Services	114,700	112,900	116,100	1,800	-1,400
Mgmt. Of Companies and Enterprises	64,600	63,700	66,200	900	-1,600
Admin. Support & Waste Mgmt. Services	128,400	132,700	145,400	-4,300	-17,000
EDUCATIONAL & HEALTH SERVICES	440,400	438,500	472,600	1,900	-32,200
Educational Services	46,200	47,600	57,300	-1,400	-11,100
Health Care & Social Assistance	394,200	390,900	415,300	3,300	-21,100
LEISURE & HOSPITALITY	196,200	198,900	274,300	-2,700	-78,100
Arts, Entertain., & Recreation	24,300	24,900	41,400	-600	-17,100
Accommodation & Food Services	171,900	174,000	232,900	-2,100	-61,000
OTHER SERVICES, except Public Admin.	135,200	135,200	152,200	0	-17,000
GOVERNMENT	384,300	391,000	418,000	-6,700	-33,700
Federal Government	30,200	29,800	29,500	400	700
State Government	88,800	91,600	101,200	-2,800	-12,400
Local Government	265,300	269,600	287,300	-4,300	-22,000

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