

Louisiana Workforce

at a glance

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March 2018 Seasonally Adjusted Employment and Labor Force Information

Nonfarm employment (1,985,100 jobs) in Louisiana gained 6,800 jobs over the month and added 12,100 jobs over the year. The state has added jobs over the month for four straight months and over the year for six straight months. It shows the largest over-the-year gain since May 2015 and is the highest employment level since December 2015.

Private sector employment (1,660,100 jobs) added 7,100 jobs over the month and gained 15,100 jobs over the year. Private sector employment has added jobs over the month in five of the last six months and over the year for six consecutive months.

Mining and Logging (34,400 jobs) lost 100 jobs over the month and lost 500 jobs over the year. Mining and logging has seen 46 straight over-the-year losses.

Construction (148,000 jobs) gained 1,200 jobs over the month and added 1,500 jobs over the year. Construction has seen over-the-month gains in four of the last five months and over the year gains in 15 of the last 16 months. This is the 2nd highest employment level in series history.

Manufacturing (137,400 jobs) added 900 jobs over the month and added 2,400 jobs over the year. Manufacturing has seen four straight gains both over the month and over the year.

Trade, Transportation, and Utilities (379,800 jobs) added 1,800 jobs over the month but lost 4,100 jobs over the year. The series has seen 29 straight over the year losses. Retail trade added 700 jobs over the month but lost 3,500 jobs over the year. The subsector has now seen 14 straight over the year losses.

Information (23,200 jobs) gained 400 jobs over the month but lost 300 jobs over the year. Information has seen 10 straight over-the year-losses.

Financial Activities (90,800 jobs) added 500 jobs over the month but lost 1,400 jobs over the year. The series has seen over-the-year losses for 17 straight months.

Professional and Business Services (214,700 jobs) added 1,900 jobs over the month and added 5,400 jobs over the year. Professional and business services has seen over-the-year gains in seven of last eight months. The administrative and support and waste management and remediation services subsector added 2,000 jobs over the month and added 5,900 jobs over the year.

Education and Health Services (319,100 jobs) gained 1,000 jobs over the month and added 4,900 jobs over the year. The series has added jobs over the year for 138 consecutive months. This shows a series high for employment. The education services subsector lost 100 over the month and lost 300 jobs over the year. The healthcare and social assistance subsector added 1,100 jobs over the month and gained 5,200 jobs over the year for a new series high for employment.

Leisure and Hospitality (237,000 jobs) lost 1,000 jobs over the month but added 5,300 jobs over the year. This shows 10 consecutive over-the-year gains.

Other Services (75,700 jobs) added 500 jobs over the month and added 1,900 jobs over the year. This shows four straight over-the-year gains after 19 straight losses. This is a series high for employment.

Government (325,000) lost 300 over the month and lost 3,000 jobs over the year. State government (85,900 jobs) lost 200 over the month and lost 2,200 jobs over the year. Local government (208,200 jobs) lost 100 jobs over the month and lost 900 jobs over the year.

Civilian Labor Force - Statewide and National Trends: The March 2018 preliminary, seasonally-adjusted unemployment rate for Louisiana decreased to 4.4 percent from the February 2018 revised rate of 4.5 percent. The national unemployment rate for March of 2018 remained at 4.1 percent, matching its February rate. Total unemployment in the state for March was 94,779. The state civilian labor force increased to 2,134,054 with an increase in total employment to 2,039,275.

Seasonally Adjusted	United States	Louisiana
Civilian Labor Force	MAR 2018	MAR 2018
Labor Force	161,763,000	2,134,054
Employed	155,178,000	2,039,275
Unemployed	6,585,000	94,779
Unemployment Rate	4.1	4.4
Nonfarm Wage and Salary Employment	MAR 2018	MAR 2018
Total Nonfarm	148,230,000	1,985,100
Mining and Logging	722,000	34,400
Construction	7,150,000	148,000
Manufacturing	12,632,000	137,400
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	27,722,000	379,800
Information	2,760,000	23,200
Financial Activities	8,546,000	90,800
Professional and Business Services	20,803,000	214,700
Education and Health Services	23,483,000	319,100
Leisure and Hospitality	16,256,000	237,000
Other Services	5,830,000	75,700
Government	22,326,000	325,000

All Employees Average Hours & Earnings

(Not Seasonally Adjusted)

	MAR 2018	MAR 2018
Construction	United States	Louisiana
Average Weekly Earnings	\$ 1,141.65	\$ 1,135.56
Average Weekly Hours	38.7	42.9
Average Hourly Wages	\$ 29.50	\$ 26.47
Manufacturing		
Average Weekly Earnings	\$ 1,092.80	\$ 1,118.57
Average Weekly Hours	40.7	44.6
Average Hourly Wages	\$ 26.85	\$ 25.08

Louisiana Unemployment Insurance Activities

Claims	MAR 2018
Initial New & Renewals	6,670
Continued Weekly Intrastate Only	44,810
Insured Unemployment Rate	1.0

United States Consumer Price Index

	MAR 2018
All Urban Consumers	249.6

The civilian labor force and nonfarm **estimates** are prepared according to Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) methodology and are comparable with the U.S. and other states' data. For more information, go to page 20.



Economic Comparison

Seasonally Adjusted	United States			Louisiana		
Civilian Labor Force	MAR 2018	FEB 2018	MAR 2017	MAR 2018	FEB 2018	MAR 2017
Labor Force	161,763,000	161,921,000	160,235,000	2,134,054	2,128,050	2,110,205
Employed	155,178,000	155,215,000	153,064,000	2,039,275	2,032,973	1,992,855
Unemployed	6,585,000	6,706,000	7,171,000	94,779	95,077	117,350
Unemployment Rate	4.1	4.1	4.5	4.4	4.5	5.6
Nonfarm Wage and Salary Employment	MAR 2018	FEB 2018	MAR 2017	MAR 2018	FEB 2018	MAR 2017
Total Nonfarm	148,230,000	148,127,000	145,969,000	1,985,100	1,978,300	1,973,000
Mining and Logging	722,000	714,000	660,000	34,400	34,500	34,900
Construction	7,150,000	7,165,000	6,922,000	148,000	146,800	146,500
Manufacturing	12,632,000	12,610,000	12,400,000	137,400	136,500	135,000
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	27,722,000	27,701,000	27,427,000	379,800	378,000	383,900
Information	2,760,000	2,758,000	2,809,000	23,200	22,800	23,500
Financial Activities	8,546,000	8,544,000	8,410,000	90,800	90,300	92,200
Professional and Business Services	20,803,000	20,770,000	20,301,000	214,700	212,800	209,300
Education and Health Services	23,483,000	23,458,000	23,040,000	319,100	318,100	314,200
Leisure and Hospitality	16,256,000	16,251,000	15,944,000	237,000	238,000	231,700
Other Services	5,830,000	5,831,000	5,742,000	75,700	75,200	73,800
Government	22,326,000	22,325,000	22,314,000	325,000	325,300	328,000
All Employees Average Hours & Earnings						
Construction	United States (Not Seasonally Adjusted)			Louisiana (Not Seasonally Adjusted)		
	MAR 2018	FEB 2018	MAR 2017	MAR 2018	FEB 2018	MAR 2017
Average Weekly Earnings	\$ 1,141.65	\$ 1,133.57	\$ 1,098.06	\$ 1,135.56	\$ 1,094.70	\$ 1,109.71
Average Weekly Hours	38.7	38.4	38.3	42.9	41.0	41.5
Average Hourly Wages	\$ 29.50	\$ 29.52	\$ 28.67	\$ 26.47	\$ 26.70	\$ 26.74
Manufacturing						
Average Weekly Earnings	\$ 1,092.80	\$ 1,094.26	\$ 1,069.61	\$ 1,118.57	\$ 1,128.73	\$ 1,096.28
Average Weekly Hours	40.7	40.8	40.5	44.6	43.8	42.1
Average Hourly Wages	\$ 26.85	\$ 26.82	\$ 26.41	\$ 25.08	\$ 25.77	\$ 26.04
Louisiana Unemployment Insurance Activities						
Claims		MAR 2018	FEB 2018	MAR 2017	% Change From	
Initial New & Renewals		6,670	6,700	8,179	FEB 2018	MAR 2017
Continued Weekly Intrastate Only		44,810	46,641	63,184	-0.4	-18.5
Insured Unemployment Rate*		1.0	1.0	1.1	-3.9	-29.1
					-3.0	-14.0
*Insured unemployment rate is for the week including the 12th of the month.						
United States Consumer Price Index (Not Seasonally Adjusted)						
	MAR 2018	% Change From:		FEB 2018	% Change From:	
	Index	Prior Month	Prior Year	Index	Prior Month	Prior Year
All Urban Consumers	249.6	0.2	2.4	249.0	0.5	2.2

Not Seasonally Adjusted Employment

Statewide

Nonfarm employment (1,982,800 jobs) in Louisiana added 13,900 jobs over the month and gained 12,500 jobs over the year. The series average for the years 2015-2017 for March shows a gain of 2,900 jobs over the month and a loss of 200 jobs over the year. This is the sixth straight over-the-year increase.

Total private employment (1,655,800 jobs) gained 15,100 jobs over the month and added 15,300 jobs over the year. The series average for the years 2015-2017 shows a gain of 4,200 jobs over the month and a gain of 1,000 jobs over the year. Total private employment has added jobs over the year for six straight months.

Mining and logging (33,900 jobs) gained 100 jobs over the month but lost 800 jobs over the year. This shows 46 straight months with an over-the-year loss.

Construction (147,800 jobs) gained 2,100 jobs over the month and added 1,700 jobs over the year. This shows over-the-year gains in 14 of the last 15 months. The non-residential building construction subsector added 2,300 jobs over the year. The heavy and civil engineering subsector gained 2,400 jobs over the month but lost 1,500 jobs over the year.

Manufacturing (136,600 jobs) gained 1,800 jobs over the month and added 2,400 jobs over the year. This shows the largest March over-the-month gain since 1992 and the largest for any month since September 2006. Durable goods manufacturing gained 400 jobs over the month. Non-durable goods manufacturing added 1,400 jobs over the month and 2,300 jobs over the year.

Trade, transportation, and utilities (378,900 jobs) added 4,000 over the month but lost 2,900 jobs over the year. The sector has lost jobs over the year for 30 straight months. Wholesale trade added 1,000 jobs over the month and added 1,300 jobs over the year. Retail trade added 2,400 jobs over the month but lost 2,400 jobs over the year. Transportation, warehousing, and utilities added 600 jobs over the month but lost 1,800 jobs over the year.

Information (23,700 jobs) gained 600 jobs over the month but lost 100 jobs over the year. The series has lost jobs over the year for 10 straight months.

Financial activities (90,600 jobs) added 400 jobs over the month but lost 1,200 jobs over the year. The series has lost jobs over the year for 17 straight months.

Professional and business services (214,600 jobs) gained 3,000 jobs over the month and added 5,200 jobs over the year. Professional, scientific and technical services lost 100 jobs over the month and lost 400 jobs over the year. Administrative and support and waste management and remediation services gained 3,100 jobs over the month and gained 5,900 jobs over the year.

Education and health services (319,100 jobs) gained 1,400 jobs over the month and added 5,900 jobs over the year. This is a series high for employment. The series has shown over-the-year gains every month beginning in October 2006. Educational services lost 300 jobs over the month but gained 400 jobs over the year. Health care and social assistance gained 1,700 jobs over the month and 5,500 jobs over the year.

Leisure and hospitality (235,200 jobs) gained 1,000 jobs over the month and added 3,500 jobs over the year. It is the 10th consecutive over-the-year gain. Arts, entertainment, and recreation added 500 jobs over the month and added 100 jobs over the year. Accommodation and food services added 500 jobs over the month and added 3,400 jobs from last year.

Other services (75,400 jobs) gained 700 jobs over the month and gained 1,600 jobs over the year.

Government (327,000 jobs) lost 1,200 over the month and lost 2,800 jobs over the year. State government (87,400 jobs) lost 400 jobs over the month and lost 2,200 jobs over the year. Local government (208,800 jobs) lost 800 jobs over the month and lost 700 jobs over the year.

Metropolitan Statistical Areas Not Seasonally Adjusted

Alexandria MSA Not Seasonally Adjusted

March 2018 estimate is 62,200 jobs. The MSA added 200 jobs over the month and added 500 jobs over the year. This shows four consecutive over-the-year gains after 19 consecutive losses.

Baton Rouge MSA Not Seasonally Adjusted

March 2018 estimate is 411,300 jobs. The MSA added 4,800 jobs over the month and added 3,200 jobs over the year. The MSA has seen over-the-year gains in 11 of the last 15 months. Construction added 2,400 jobs over the month but lost 3,200 jobs over the year. Trade, transportation, and utilities gained 900 jobs over the month. Professional and business services added 1,000 jobs over the year. Education and health services added 1,500 jobs over the year, with health care and social assistance adding 1,900 jobs. Leisure and hospitality added 2,800 jobs over the year.

Hammond MSA Not Seasonally Adjusted

March 2018 estimate is 46,800 jobs. The MSA added 200 jobs over the month and added 1,000 jobs over the year. The MSA has added jobs over the year for 44 consecutive months.

Houma MSA Not Seasonally Adjusted

March 2018 estimate is 85,600 jobs. The MSA lost 100 jobs over the month and lost 200 jobs over the year.

Lafayette MSA Not Seasonally Adjusted

March 2018 estimate is 200,500 jobs. The MSA added 1,800 jobs over the month but lost 1,600 jobs over the year. Manufacturing added 500 jobs over the year. Trade, transportation, and utilities added 600 jobs over the month but lost 600 jobs over the year. Professional and business services added 500 jobs over the month but lost 900 jobs over the year. Leisure and hospitality lost 1,000 jobs over the year.

Lake Charles MSA Not Seasonally Adjusted

March 2018 estimate is 118,600 jobs. This is a series high for employment. The MSA added 1,000 jobs over the month and added 5,400 jobs over the year. The Lake Charles MSA has added jobs over the year for 81 consecutive months. Construction added 600 jobs over the month and added 3,900 jobs over the year. Construction has added jobs over the year for 30 consecutive months. Trade, transportation, and utilities sector added 800 jobs over the year. Professional and business services added 400 jobs over the year. Leisure and hospitality added 500 jobs over the year.

Monroe MSA Not Seasonally Adjusted

March 2018 estimate is 78,900 jobs. The MSA added 600 jobs over the month and added 500 jobs over the year. Trade, transportation, and utilities added 300 jobs over the month but lost 500 jobs over the year. Professional and business services added 400 jobs over the year.

New Orleans MSA Not Seasonally Adjusted

March 2018 estimate is 578,000 jobs. The MSA added 3,900 jobs over the month and added 3,600 jobs over the year. Manufacturing added 500 jobs over the month and 900 jobs over the year. Trade, transportation, and utilities added 600 jobs over the month but lost 1,200 jobs over the year. Professional and business services added 1,400 jobs over the month and gained 400 jobs over the year. Education and health services added 400 jobs over the month and added 2,700 jobs over the year. Health care and social assistance added 2,000 jobs over the year. Leisure and hospitality added 1,000 jobs over the month and 1,200 jobs over the year.

Shreveport MSA Seasonally Adjusted

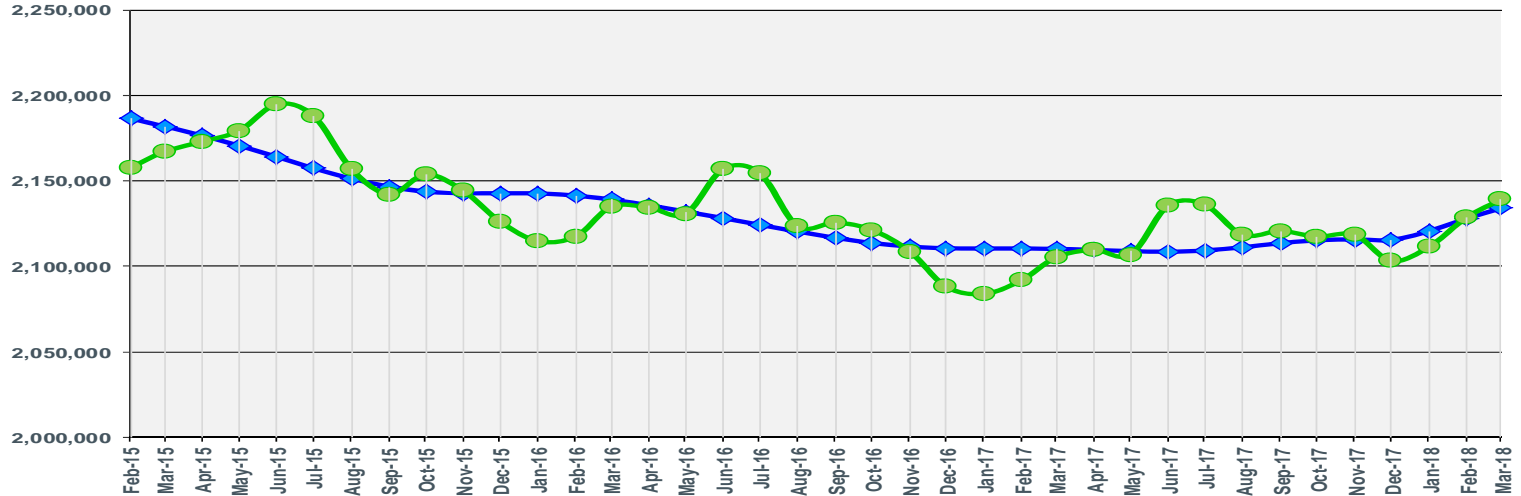
March 2018 estimate is 179,200 jobs. The MSA lost 500 jobs over the month and lost 1,100 jobs over the year. The MSA has seen over the year losses in 34 of last 35 months. Trade, transportation, and utilities lost 900 jobs over the year. Professional and business services lost 700 jobs over the month but added 700 jobs over the year. Both state government and local government lost 500 jobs over the year.

March 2018

Seasonally Adjusted
 2,134,054
 Over the Month: 6,004
 Over the Year: 23,849

Louisiana Civilian Labor Force

Not Seasonally Adjusted
 2,139,096
 Over the Month: 10,309
 Over the Year: 33,773

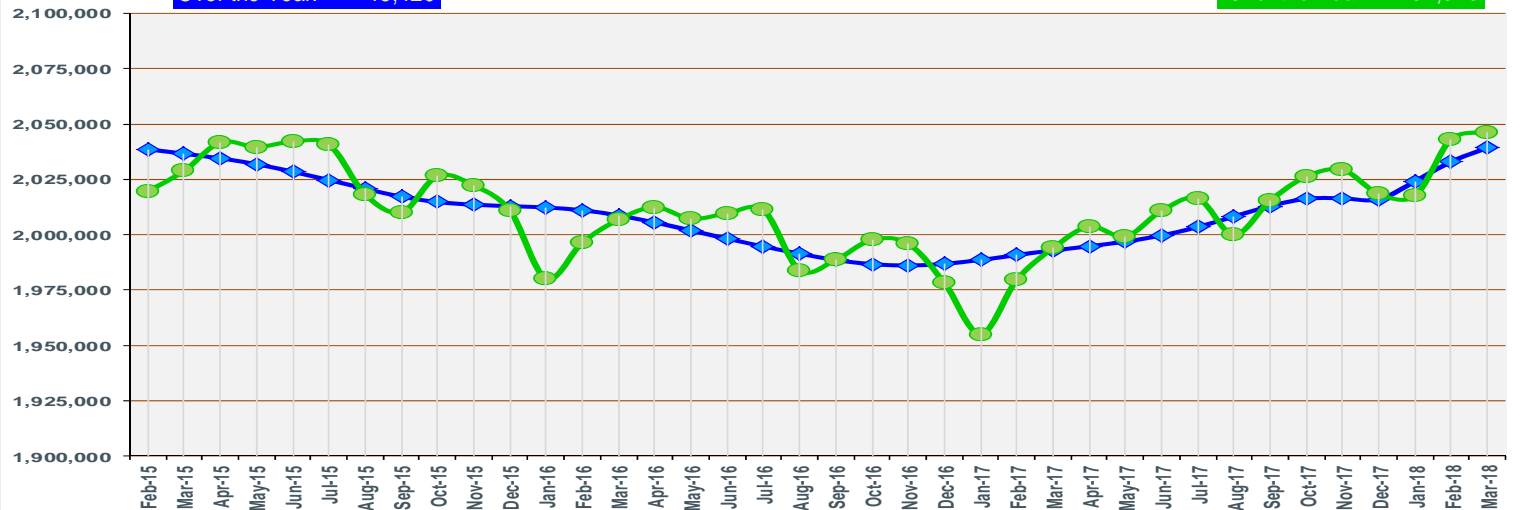


March 2018

Seasonally Adjusted
 2,039,275
 Over the Month: 6,302
 Over the Year: 46,420

Louisiana Civilian Labor Force Employment

Not Seasonally Adjusted
 2,046,339
 Over the Month: 3,204
 Over the Year: 52,373

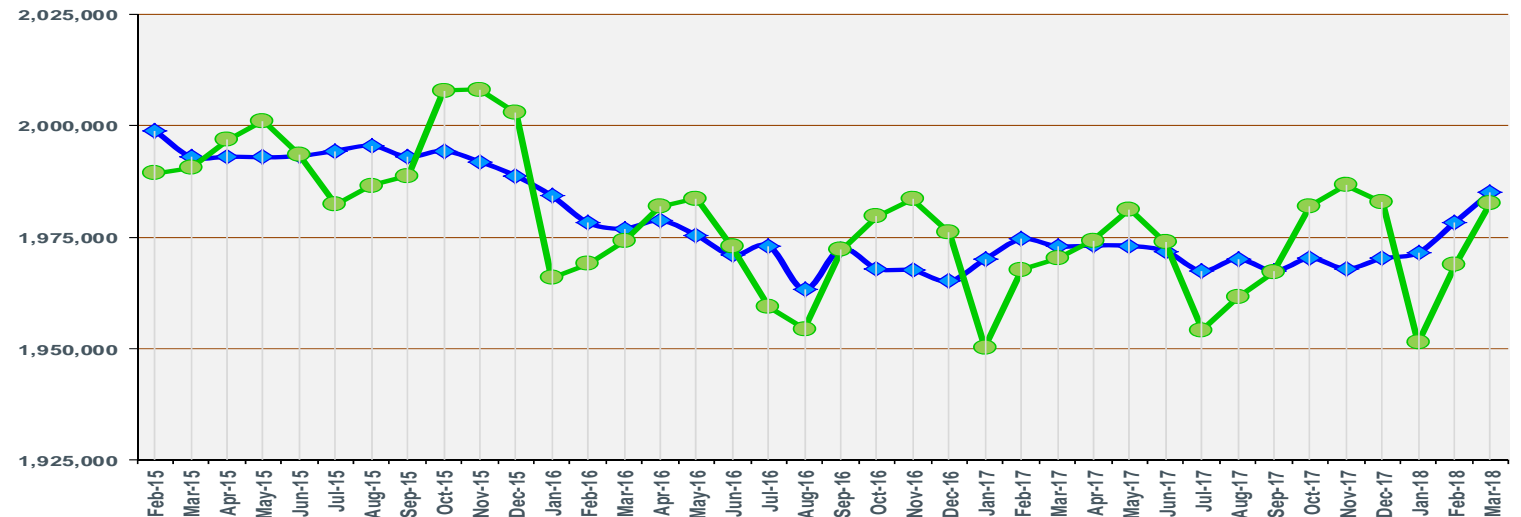


March 2018

Seasonally Adjusted
 1,985,100
 Over the Month: 6,800
 Over the Year: 12,100

Louisiana Nonfarm Employment

Not Seasonally Adjusted
 1,982,800
 Over the Month: 13,900
 Over the Year: 12,500

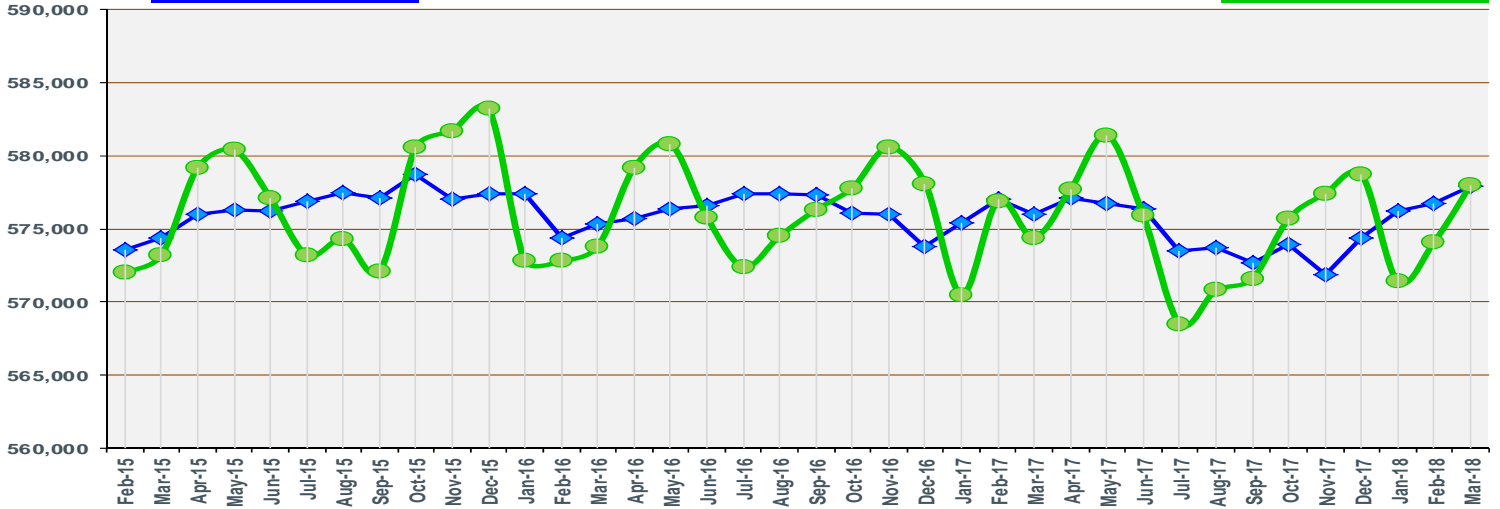


**March
2018**

Seasonally Adjusted
577,900
Over the Month: 1,200
Over the Year: 1,900

New Orleans MSA Nonfarm Employment

Not Seasonally Adjusted
578,000
Over the Month: 3,900
Over the Year: 3,600

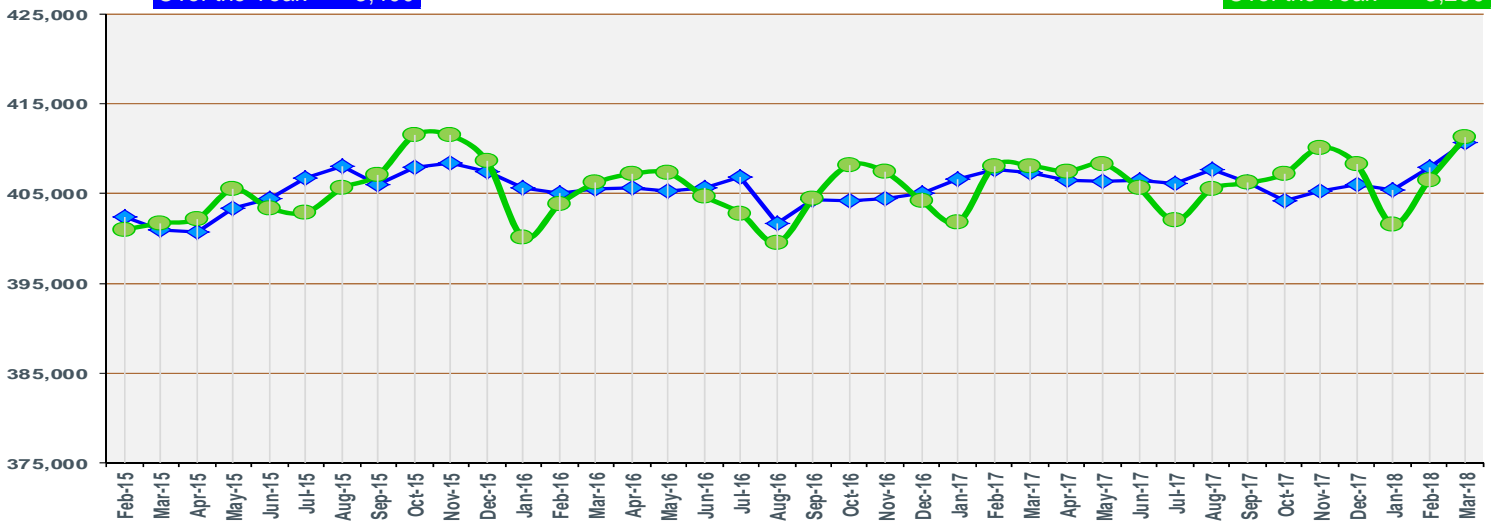
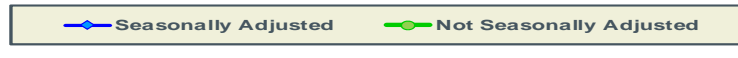


**March
2018**

Seasonally Adjusted
410,700
Over the Month: 2,800
Over the Year: 3,400

Baton Rouge MSA Nonfarm Employment

Not Seasonally Adjusted
411,300
Over the Month: 4,800
Over the Year: 3,200

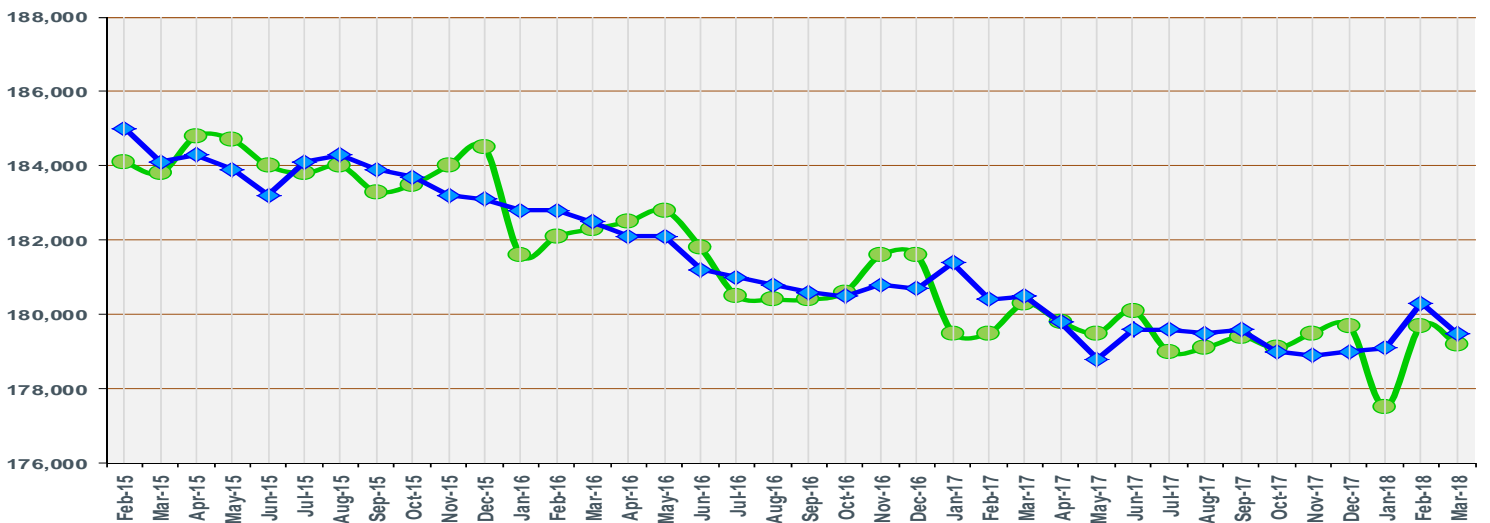
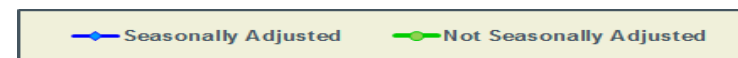


**March
2018**

Seasonally Adjusted
179,500
Over the Month: -800
Over the Year: -1,000

Shreveport MSA Nonfarm Employment

Not Seasonally Adjusted
179,200
Over the Month: -500
Over the Year: -1,100

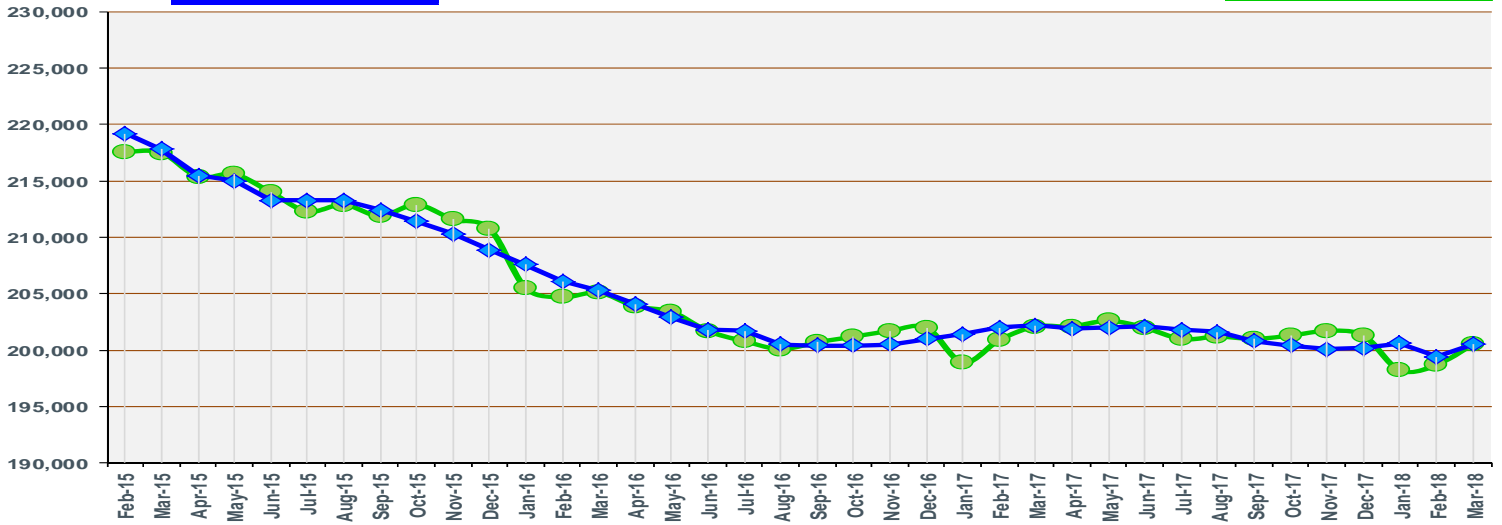


March
2018

Seasonally Adjusted
200,500
Over the Month: 1,100
Over the Year: -1,700

Lafayette MSA Nonfarm Employment

Not Seasonally Adjusted
200,500
Over the Month: 1,800
Over the Year: -1,600

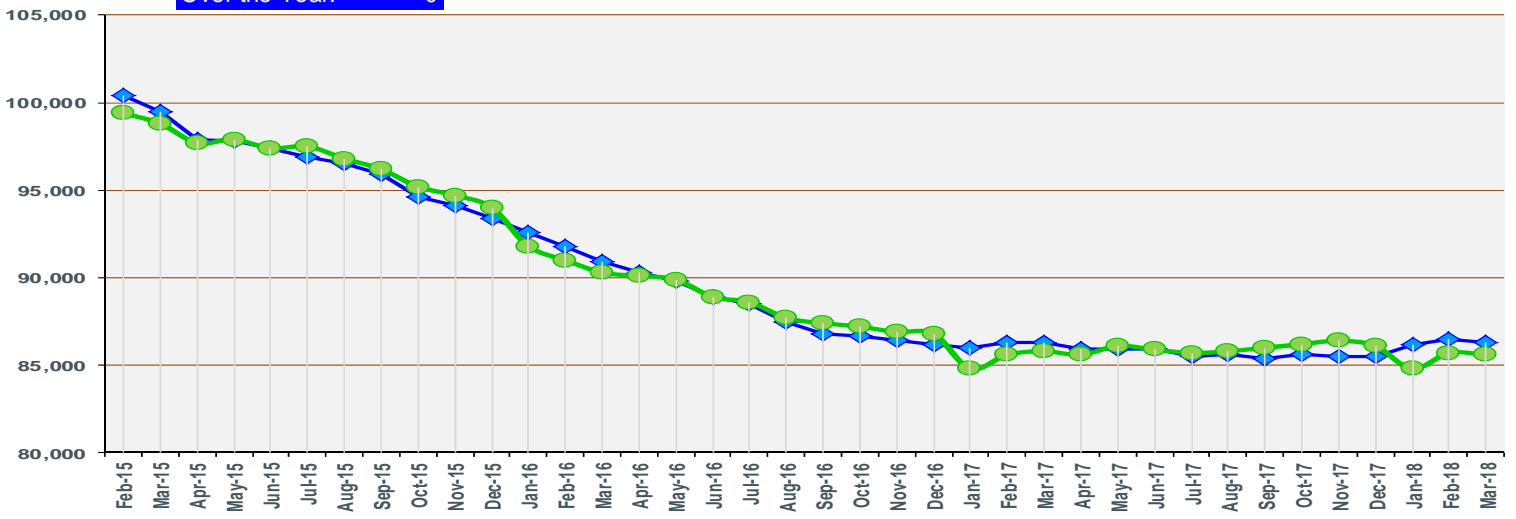


March
2018

Seasonally Adjusted
86,300
Over the Month: -200
Over the Year: 0

Houma MSA Nonfarm Employment

Not Seasonally Adjusted
85,600
Over the Month: -100
Over the Year: -200

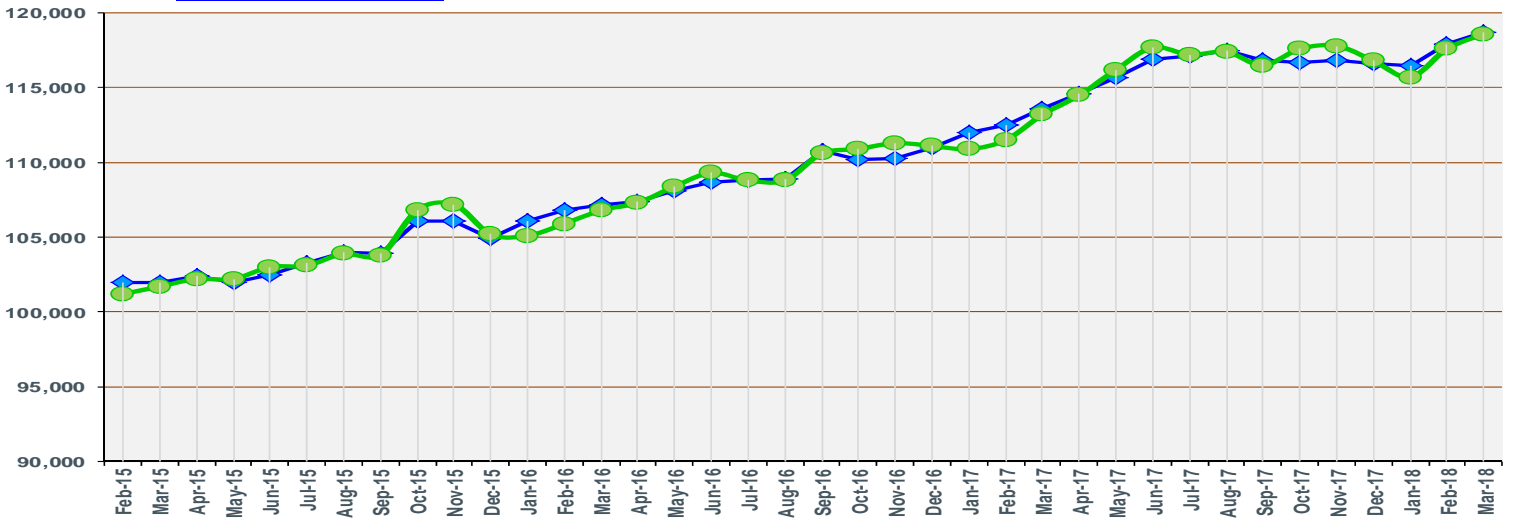
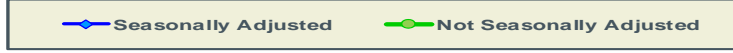


March
2018

Seasonally Adjusted
118,700
Over the Month: 800
Over the Year: 5,100

Lake Charles MSA Nonfarm Employment

Not Seasonally Adjusted
118,600
Over the Month: 1,000
Over the Year: 5,400

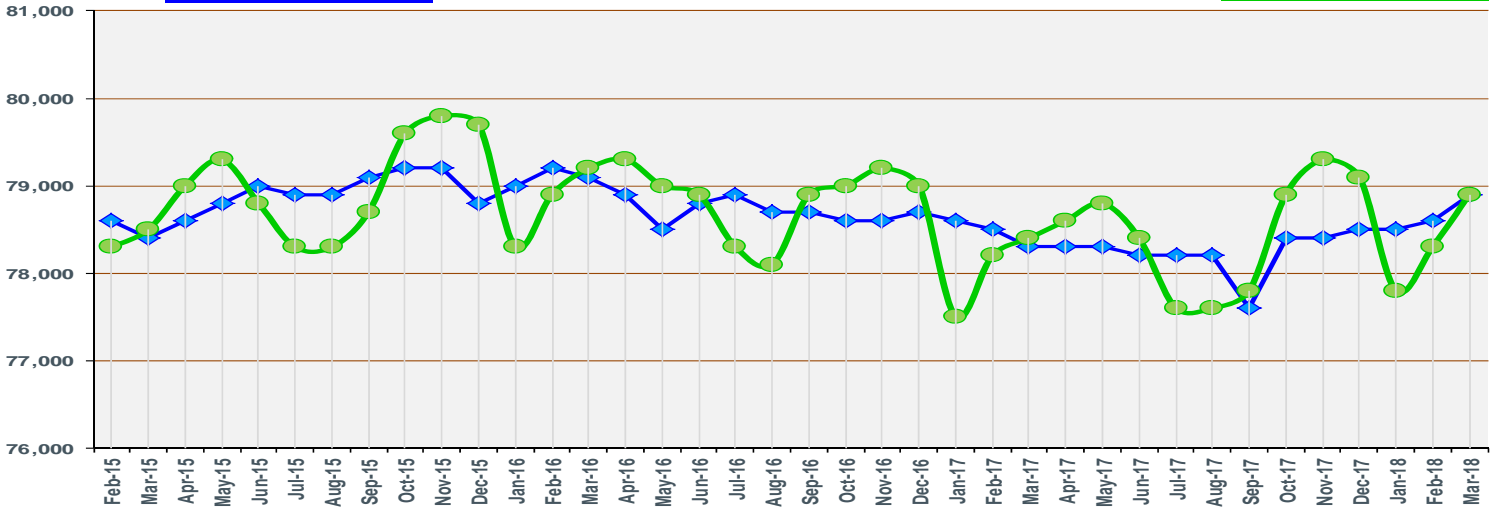
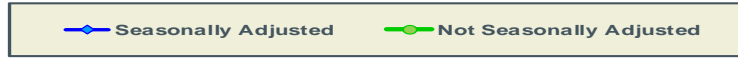


March
2018

Seasonally Adjusted
78,900
Over the Month: 300
Over the Year: 600

Monroe MSA Nonfarm Employment

Not Seasonally Adjusted
78,900
Over the Month: 600
Over the Year: 500

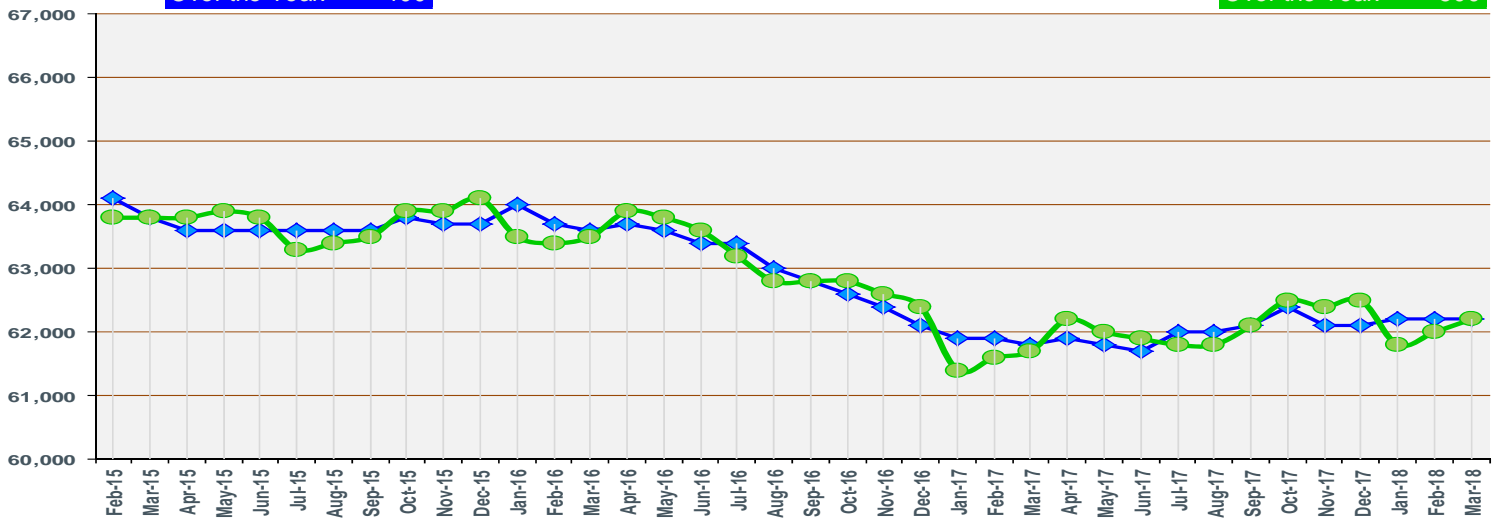
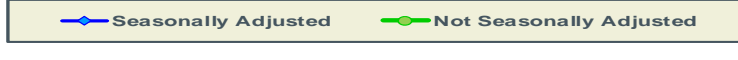


March
2018

Seasonally Adjusted
62,200
Over the Month: 0
Over the Year: 400

Alexandria MSA Nonfarm Employment

Not Seasonally Adjusted
62,200
Over the Month: 200
Over the Year: 500

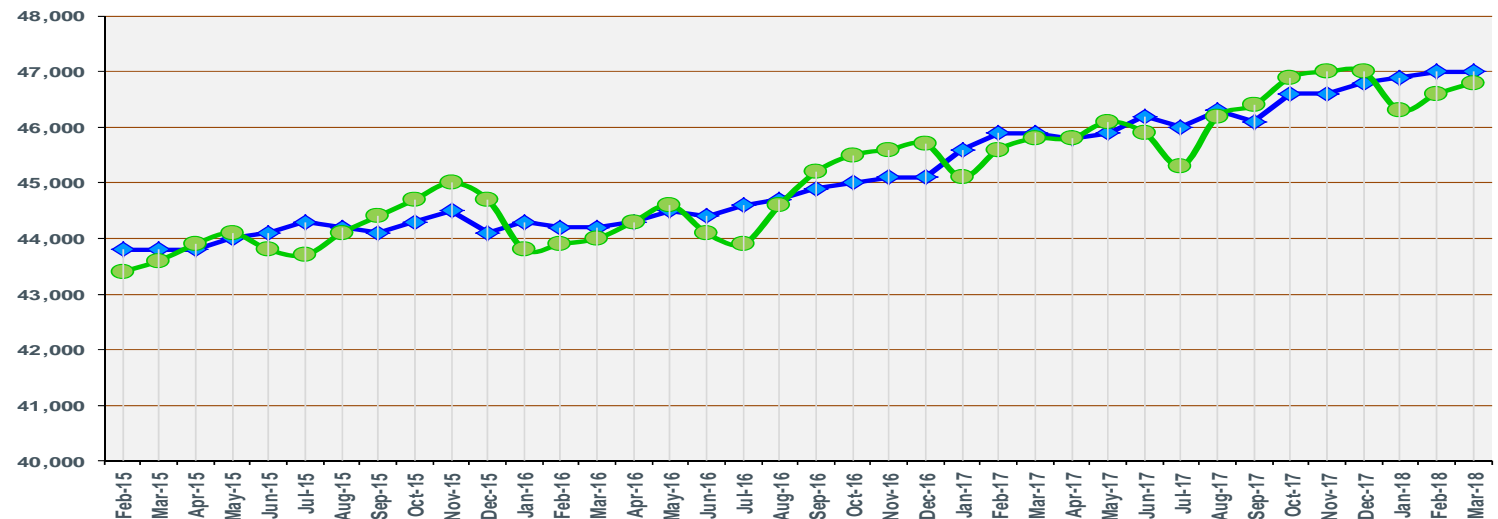


March
2018

Seasonally Adjusted
47,000
Over the Month: 0
Over the Year: 1,100

Hammond MSA Nonfarm Employment

Not Seasonally Adjusted
46,800
Over the Month: 200
Over the Year: 1,000



<i>Louisiana - Seasonally Adjusted</i>	Prel.	Rev.		OTM	OTM	OTY	OTY
	Mar 2018	Feb 2018	Mar 2017	Change	% Change	Change	% Change
Total Nonfarm	1,985,100	1,978,300	1,973,000	6,800	0.34%	12,100	0.61%
Total Private	1,660,100	1,653,000	1,645,000	7,100	0.43%	15,100	0.92%
Goods-Producing	319,800	317,800	316,400	2,000	0.63%	3,400	1.07%
Mining and Logging	34,400	34,500	34,900	-100	-0.29%	-500	-1.43%
Mining, Logging, and Construction	182,400	181,300	181,400	1,100	0.61%	1,000	0.55%
Construction	148,000	146,800	146,500	1,200	0.82%	1,500	1.02%
Manufacturing	137,400	136,500	135,000	900	0.66%	2,400	1.78%
Durable Goods	63,500	63,200	63,400	300	0.47%	100	0.16%
Nondurable Goods	73,900	73,300	71,600	600	0.82%	2,300	3.21%
Service-Providing	1,665,300	1,660,500	1,656,600	4,800	0.29%	8,700	0.53%
Private Service-Providing	1,340,300	1,335,200	1,328,600	5,100	0.38%	11,700	0.88%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	379,800	378,000	383,900	1,800	0.48%	-4,100	-1.07%
Wholesale Trade	71,200	70,200	69,700	1,000	1.42%	1,500	2.15%
Retail Trade	229,900	229,200	233,400	700	0.31%	-3,500	-1.50%
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	78,700	78,600	80,800	100	0.13%	-2,100	-2.60%
Information	23,200	22,800	23,500	400	1.75%	-300	-1.28%
Financial Activities	90,800	90,300	92,200	500	0.55%	-1,400	-1.52%
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	30,500	30,400	29,900	100	0.33%	600	2.01%
Professional and Business Services	214,700	212,800	209,300	1,900	0.89%	5,400	2.58%
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	86,200	86,200	86,300	0	0.00%	-100	-0.12%
Management of Companies and Enterprises	23,400	23,500	23,800	-100	-0.43%	-400	-1.68%
Admin. and Support and Waste Mgmt. and Remediation Serv.	105,100	103,100	99,200	2,000	1.94%	5,900	5.95%
Education and Health Services	319,100	318,100	314,200	1,000	0.31%	4,900	1.56%
Educational Services	47,100	47,200	47,400	-100	-0.21%	-300	-0.63%
Health Care and Social Assistance	272,000	270,900	266,800	1,100	0.41%	5,200	1.95%
Leisure and Hospitality	237,000	238,000	231,700	-1,000	-0.42%	5,300	2.29%
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	30,000	29,800	29,400	200	0.67%	600	2.04%
Accommodation and Food Services	207,000	208,200	202,300	-1,200	-0.58%	4,700	2.32%
Other Services	75,700	75,200	73,800	500	0.66%	1,900	2.57%
Government	325,000	325,300	328,000	-300	-0.09%	-3,000	-0.91%
Federal Government	30,900	30,900	30,800	0	0.00%	100	0.32%
State Government	85,900	86,100	88,100	-200	-0.23%	-2,200	-2.50%
Local Government	208,200	208,300	209,100	-100	-0.05%	-900	-0.43%
<i>MSAs - Seasonally Adjusted</i>	Prel.	Rev.		OTM	OTM	OTY	OTY
	Mar 2018	Feb 2018	Mar 2017	Change	% Change	Change	% Change
Alexandria Total Nonfarm	62,200	62,200	61,800	0	0.00%	400	0.65%
Baton Rouge Total Nonfarm	410,700	407,900	407,300	2,800	0.69%	3,400	0.83%
Hammond Total Nonfarm	47,000	47,000	45,900	0	0.00%	1,100	2.40%
Houma Total Nonfarm	86,300	86,500	86,300	-200	-0.23%	0	0.00%
Lafayette Total Nonfarm	200,500	199,400	202,200	1,100	0.55%	-1,700	-0.84%
Lake Charles Total Nonfarm	118,700	117,900	113,600	800	0.68%	5,100	4.49%
Monroe Total Nonfarm	78,900	78,600	78,300	300	0.38%	600	0.77%
New Orleans Total Nonfarm	577,900	576,700	576,000	1,200	0.21%	1,900	0.33%
Shreveport Total Nonfarm	179,500	180,300	180,500	-800	-0.44%	-1,000	-0.55%

<i>Louisiana - Not Seasonally Adjusted</i>	Prel.	Rev.		OTM	OTM	OTY	OTY
	Mar	Feb	Mar	Change	%	Change	%
	2018	2018	2017		Change		Change
Total Nonfarm	1,982,800	1,968,900	1,970,300	13,900	0.71%	12,500	0.63%
Total Private	1,655,800	1,640,700	1,640,500	15,100	0.92%	15,300	0.93%
Goods-Producing	318,300	314,300	315,000	4,000	1.27%	3,300	1.05%
Mining & Logging	33,900	33,800	34,700	100	0.30%	-800	-2.31%
Oil & Gas Extraction	5,600	5,600	6,200	0	0.00%	-600	-9.68%
Support Activities for Mining	25,100	25,000	24,800	100	0.40%	300	1.21%
Drilling Oil & Gas Wells	3,600	3,600	3,300	0	0.00%	300	9.09%
Mining, Logging, & Construction	181,700	179,500	180,800	2,200	1.23%	900	0.50%
Construction	147,800	145,700	146,100	2,100	1.44%	1,700	1.16%
Construction of Buildings	34,800	34,900	32,500	-100	-0.29%	2,300	7.08%
Residential Building Construction	5,500	5,500	5,500	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Nonresidential Building Construction	29,300	29,400	27,000	-100	-0.34%	2,300	8.52%
Heavy & Civil Engineering Construction	46,500	44,100	48,000	2,400	5.44%	-1,500	-3.13%
Specialty Trade Contractors	66,500	66,700	65,600	-200	-0.30%	900	1.37%
Manufacturing	136,600	134,800	134,200	1,800	1.34%	2,400	1.79%
Durable Goods	63,400	63,000	63,300	400	0.63%	100	0.16%
Transportation Equipment Manufacturing	8,900	8,800	9,400	100	1.14%	-500	-5.32%
Ship & Boat Building	5,300	5,200	5,700	100	1.92%	-400	-7.02%
Nondurable Goods	73,200	71,800	70,900	1,400	1.95%	2,300	3.24%
Food Manufacturing	16,100	15,500	15,600	600	3.87%	500	3.21%
Paper Manufacturing	6,900	6,900	7,000	0	0.00%	-100	-1.43%
Petroleum & Coal Products Manufacturing	11,800	11,800	11,800	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Chemical Manufacturing	25,600	25,600	25,400	0	0.00%	200	0.79%
Basic Chemical Manufacturing	13,900	13,800	13,600	100	0.72%	300	2.21%
Service-Providing	1,664,500	1,654,600	1,655,300	9,900	0.60%	9,200	0.56%
Private Service-Providing	1,337,500	1,326,400	1,325,500	11,100	0.84%	12,000	0.91%
Trade, Transportation, & Utilities	378,900	374,900	381,800	4,000	1.07%	-2,900	-0.76%
Wholesale Trade	70,900	69,900	69,600	1,000	1.43%	1,300	1.87%
Merchant Wholesalers, Durable Goods	37,000	36,400	36,000	600	1.65%	1,000	2.78%
Merchant Wholesalers, Nondurable Goods	25,400	25,300	25,100	100	0.40%	300	1.20%
Retail Trade	229,400	227,000	231,800	2,400	1.06%	-2,400	-1.04%
Motor Vehicle & Parts Dealers	29,100	29,000	29,600	100	0.34%	-500	-1.69%
Building Material & Garden Equipment & Supplies Dealers	21,200	20,500	21,300	700	3.41%	-100	-0.47%
Food & Beverage Stores	38,500	38,500	38,900	0	0.00%	-400	-1.03%
Grocery Stores	33,700	33,900	34,500	-200	-0.59%	-800	-2.32%
Health & Personal Care Stores	17,200	17,100	17,300	100	0.58%	-100	-0.58%
Gasoline Stations	20,000	19,800	20,000	200	1.01%	0	0.00%
Clothing and Clothing Accessories Stores	17,300	17,200	17,400	100	0.58%	-100	-0.57%
General Merchandise Stores	53,000	52,300	53,200	700	1.34%	-200	-0.38%
Department Stores	9,100	9,200	9,500	-100	-1.09%	-400	-4.21%
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities	78,600	78,000	80,400	600	0.77%	-1,800	-2.24%
Transportation and Warehousing	69,700	69,300	72,000	400	0.58%	-2,300	-3.19%
Truck Transportation	16,300	16,200	16,800	100	0.62%	-500	-2.98%
Support Activities for Transportation	17,000	16,900	18,000	100	0.59%	-1,000	-5.56%

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	2018	2018	2017		Change		Change
Information	23,700	23,100	23,800	600	2.60%	-100	-0.42%
Telecommunications	8,900	8,800	9,400	100	1.14%	-500	-5.32%
Financial Activities	90,600	90,200	91,800	400	0.44%	-1,200	-1.31%
Finance & Insurance	60,300	60,300	62,200	0	0.00%	-1,900	-3.05%
Credit Intermediation & Related Activities	29,100	29,200	30,200	-100	-0.34%	-1,100	-3.64%
Depository Credit Intermediation	20,500	20,400	21,200	100	0.49%	-700	-3.30%
Insurance Carriers & Related Activities	27,800	27,800	28,000	0	0.00%	-200	-0.71%
Real Estate & Rental & Leasing	30,300	29,900	29,600	400	1.34%	700	2.36%
Professional & Business Services	214,600	211,600	209,400	3,000	1.42%	5,200	2.48%
Professional, Scientific, & Technical Services	86,800	86,900	87,200	-100	-0.12%	-400	-0.46%
Legal Services	18,800	18,300	18,200	500	2.73%	600	3.30%
Accounting, Tax Preparation, Bookkeeping & Payroll Services	12,100	12,000	13,100	100	0.83%	-1,000	-7.63%
Architectural, Engineering, & Related Services	23,400	23,500	22,500	-100	-0.43%	900	4.00%
Management of Companies & Enterprises	23,400	23,400	23,700	0	0.00%	-300	-1.27%
Admin. & Support & Waste Mgmt. & Remediation Serv.	104,400	101,300	98,500	3,100	3.06%	5,900	5.99%
Administrative & Support Services	94,900	92,100	89,100	2,800	3.04%	5,800	6.51%
Employment Services	32,800	32,300	30,100	500	1.55%	2,700	8.97%
Services to Buildings & Dwellings	23,900	23,400	22,600	500	2.14%	1,300	5.75%
Education & Health Services	319,100	317,700	313,200	1,400	0.44%	5,900	1.88%
Educational Services	47,800	48,100	47,400	-300	-0.62%	400	0.84%
Colleges, Universities, & Professional Schools	12,900	13,200	12,900	-300	-2.27%	0	0.00%
Health Care & Social Assistance	271,300	269,600	265,800	1,700	0.63%	5,500	2.07%
Ambulatory Health Care Services	102,100	101,000	99,700	1,100	1.09%	2,400	2.41%
Offices of Physicians	39,700	39,700	39,100	0	0.00%	600	1.53%
Home Health Care Services	21,100	21,000	21,500	100	0.48%	-400	-1.86%
Hospitals	78,700	78,500	76,600	200	0.25%	2,100	2.74%
Nursing & Residential Care Facilities	42,700	42,400	42,600	300	0.71%	100	0.23%
Nursing Care Facilities	26,200	26,000	26,700	200	0.77%	-500	-1.87%
Social Assistance	47,800	47,700	46,900	100	0.21%	900	1.92%
Leisure & Hospitality	235,200	234,200	231,700	1,000	0.43%	3,500	1.51%
Arts, Entertainment, & Recreation	28,700	28,200	28,600	500	1.77%	100	0.35%
Amusement, Gambling, & Recreation Industries	20,400	20,100	20,700	300	1.49%	-300	-1.45%
Gambling Industries	8,700	8,800	9,100	-100	-1.14%	-400	-4.40%
Accommodation & Food Services	206,500	206,000	203,100	500	0.24%	3,400	1.67%
Accommodation	33,500	33,600	34,100	-100	-0.30%	-600	-1.76%
Food Services & Drinking Places	173,000	172,400	169,000	600	0.35%	4,000	2.37%
Other Services	75,400	74,700	73,800	700	0.94%	1,600	2.17%
Repair & Maintenance	21,400	21,000	19,700	400	1.90%	1,700	8.63%
Automotive Repair & Maintenance	12,100	12,000	11,300	100	0.83%	800	7.08%
Personal & Laundry Services	15,500	15,500	15,800	0	0.00%	-300	-1.90%
Government	327,000	328,200	329,800	-1,200	-0.37%	-2,800	-0.85%
Federal Government	30,800	30,800	30,700	0	0.00%	100	0.33%
State Government	87,400	87,800	89,600	-400	-0.46%	-2,200	-2.46%
Local Government	208,800	209,600	209,500	-800	-0.38%	-700	-0.33%

<i>New Orleans-Metairie MSA - Not Seasonally Adjusted</i>	Prel. Mar 2018	Rev. Feb 2018	Mar 2017	OTM Change	OTM % Change	OTY Change	OTY % Change
Total Nonfarm	578,000	574,100	574,400	3,900	0.68%	3,600	0.63%
Total Private	505,700	501,400	502,300	4,300	0.86%	3,400	0.68%
Goods-Producing	64,900	64,600	63,900	300	0.46%	1,000	1.56%
Mining & Logging	4,200	4,200	4,400	0	0.00%	-200	-4.55%
Mining, Logging, & Construction	33,500	33,700	33,400	-200	-0.59%	100	0.30%
Construction	29,300	29,500	29,000	-200	-0.68%	300	1.03%
Heavy & Civil Engineering Construction	6,700	6,500	6,400	200	3.08%	300	4.69%
Specialty Trade Contractors	16,200	16,500	16,500	-300	-1.82%	-300	-1.82%
Manufacturing	31,400	30,900	30,500	500	1.62%	900	2.95%
Durable Goods	11,600	11,400	11,500	200	1.75%	100	0.87%
Transportation Equipment Manufacturing	2,400	2,300	2,500	100	4.35%	-100	-4.00%
Ship & Boat Building	1,200	1,200	1,300	0	0.00%	-100	-7.69%
Nondurable Goods	19,800	19,500	19,000	300	1.54%	800	4.21%
Chemical Manufacturing	5,300	5,200	5,100	100	1.92%	200	3.92%
Service-Providing	513,100	509,500	510,500	3,600	0.71%	2,600	0.51%
Private Service-Providing	440,800	436,800	438,400	4,000	0.92%	2,400	0.55%
Trade, Transportation, & Utilities	112,600	112,000	113,800	600	0.54%	-1,200	-1.05%
Wholesale Trade	22,400	22,500	22,400	-100	-0.44%	0	0.00%
Merchant Wholesalers, Durable Goods	10,500	10,500	10,300	0	0.00%	200	1.94%
Merchant Wholesalers, Nondurable Goods	8,400	8,400	8,300	0	0.00%	100	1.20%
Retail Trade	61,800	61,300	63,000	500	0.82%	-1,200	-1.90%
Grocery Stores	9,600	9,700	9,900	-100	-1.03%	-300	-3.03%
General Merchandise Stores	13,400	13,200	13,300	200	1.52%	100	0.75%
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities	28,400	28,200	28,400	200	0.71%	0	0.00%
Information	7,400	7,300	7,600	100	1.37%	-200	-2.63%
Financial Activities	29,400	29,000	30,000	400	1.38%	-600	-2.00%
Finance & Insurance	21,100	20,900	21,500	200	0.96%	-400	-1.86%
Credit Intermediation & Related Activities	8,100	8,000	8,200	100	1.25%	-100	-1.22%
Depository Credit Intermediation	6,000	5,900	6,100	100	1.69%	-100	-1.64%
Professional & Business Services	75,900	74,500	75,500	1,400	1.88%	400	0.53%
Professional, Scientific, & Technical Services	31,700	31,200	32,100	500	1.60%	-400	-1.25%
Legal Services	8,200	8,100	8,100	100	1.23%	100	1.23%
Management of Companies & Enterprises	8,900	8,900	8,800	0	0.00%	100	1.14%
Admin. & Support & Waste Mgmt. & Remediation Serv.	35,300	34,400	34,600	900	2.62%	700	2.02%
Administrative & Support Services	32,700	31,900	32,000	800	2.51%	700	2.19%
Employment Services	11,500	11,300	10,900	200	1.77%	600	5.50%
Education & Health Services	101,900	101,500	99,200	400	0.39%	2,700	2.72%
Educational Services	30,900	31,000	30,200	-100	-0.32%	700	2.32%
Colleges, Universities, & Professional Schools	11,400	11,600	11,400	-200	-1.72%	0	0.00%
Health Care & Social Assistance	71,000	70,500	69,000	500	0.71%	2,000	2.90%
Ambulatory Health Care Services	26,800	26,700	26,300	100	0.37%	500	1.90%
Hospitals	24,000	23,800	22,600	200	0.84%	1,400	6.19%
Leisure & Hospitality	89,300	88,300	88,100	1,000	1.13%	1,200	1.36%
Arts, Entertainment, & Recreation	12,600	12,300	12,200	300	2.44%	400	3.28%
Amusement, Gambling, & Recreation Industries	6,500	6,300	6,200	200	3.17%	300	4.84%
Gambling Industries	1,800	1,800	1,900	0	0.00%	-100	-5.26%
Accommodation & Food Services	76,700	76,000	75,900	700	0.92%	800	1.05%
Accommodation	15,200	15,100	14,800	100	0.66%	400	2.70%
Food Services & Drinking Places	61,500	60,900	61,100	600	0.99%	400	0.65%
Other Services	24,300	24,200	24,200	100	0.41%	100	0.41%
Government	72,300	72,700	72,100	-400	-0.55%	200	0.28%
Federal Government	12,900	12,900	12,500	0	0.00%	400	3.20%
State Government	12,300	12,300	13,000	0	0.00%	-700	-5.38%
Local Government	47,100	47,500	46,600	-400	-0.84%	500	1.07%
<i>Hammond MSA - Not Seasonally Adjusted</i>	Prel. Mar 2018	Rev. Feb 2018	Mar 2017	OTM Change	OTM % Change	OTY Change	OTY % Change
Total Nonfarm	46,800	46,600	45,800	200	0.43%	1,000	2.18%
Total Private	34,900	34,700	34,200	200	0.58%	700	2.05%
Goods-Producing	3,500	3,500	3,500	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Service-Providing	43,300	43,100	42,300	200	0.46%	1,000	2.36%
Private Service-Providing	31,400	31,200	30,700	200	0.64%	700	2.28%
Government	11,900	11,900	11,600	0	0.00%	300	2.59%

<i>Baton Rouge MSA - Not Seasonally Adjusted</i>	Prel.	Rev.		OTM	OTM	OTY	OTY
	Mar 2018	Feb 2018	Mar 2017	Change	% Change	Change	% Change
Total Nonfarm	411,300	406,500	408,100	4,800	1.18%	3,200	0.78%
Total Private	335,000	330,800	332,700	4,200	1.27%	2,300	0.69%
Goods-Producing	79,400	77,000	82,900	2,400	3.12%	-3,500	-4.22%
Mining & Logging	900	900	800	0	0.00%	100	12.50%
Mining, Logging, & Construction	50,500	48,100	53,600	2,400	4.99%	-3,100	-5.78%
Construction	49,600	47,200	52,800	2,400	5.08%	-3,200	-6.06%
Construction of Buildings	9,300	9,200	9,500	100	1.09%	-200	-2.11%
Nonresidential Building Construction	7,900	7,800	8,100	100	1.28%	-200	-2.47%
Heavy & Civil Engineering Construction	18,800	17,100	20,700	1,700	9.94%	-1,900	-9.18%
Specialty Trade Contractors	21,500	20,900	22,600	600	2.87%	-1,100	-4.87%
Manufacturing	28,900	28,900	29,300	0	0.00%	-400	-1.37%
Nondurable Goods	18,200	18,200	18,400	0	0.00%	-200	-1.09%
Chemical Manufacturing	10,900	10,900	10,900	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Basic Chemical Manufacturing	6,200	6,100	6,100	100	1.64%	100	1.64%
Service-Providing	331,900	329,500	325,200	2,400	0.73%	6,700	2.06%
Private Service-Providing	255,600	253,800	249,800	1,800	0.71%	5,800	2.32%
Trade, Transportation, & Utilities	70,600	69,700	70,600	900	1.29%	0	0.00%
Wholesale Trade	13,400	13,300	13,100	100	0.75%	300	2.29%
Retail Trade	43,500	42,700	43,900	800	1.87%	-400	-0.91%
Grocery Stores	6,600	6,700	6,800	-100	-1.49%	-200	-2.94%
General Merchandise Stores	9,200	9,100	9,400	100	1.10%	-200	-2.13%
Department Stores	1,300	1,300	1,400	0	0.00%	-100	-7.14%
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities	13,700	13,700	13,600	0	0.00%	100	0.74%
Information	5,400	5,300	5,600	100	1.89%	-200	-3.57%
Financial Activities	19,100	19,100	18,700	0	0.00%	400	2.14%
Finance & Insurance	12,700	12,600	12,500	100	0.79%	200	1.60%
Depository Credit Intermediation	3,700	3,700	3,800	0	0.00%	-100	-2.63%
Professional & Business Services	47,400	46,900	46,400	500	1.07%	1,000	2.16%
Professional, Scientific, & Technical Services	20,100	20,000	20,200	100	0.50%	-100	-0.50%
Admin. & Support & Waste Mgmt. & Remediation Serv.	21,300	20,900	20,500	400	1.91%	800	3.90%
Education & Health Services	54,400	54,400	52,900	0	0.00%	1,500	2.84%
Health Care & Social Assistance	47,800	47,500	45,900	300	0.63%	1,900	4.14%
Ambulatory Health Care Services	20,200	20,100	19,900	100	0.50%	300	1.51%
Hospitals	12,200	12,200	12,000	0	0.00%	200	1.67%
Leisure & Hospitality	41,800	41,600	39,000	200	0.48%	2,800	7.18%
Accommodation & Food Services	36,000	35,900	33,800	100	0.28%	2,200	6.51%
Food Services & Drinking Places	33,000	32,600	30,800	400	1.23%	2,200	7.14%
Other Services	16,900	16,800	16,600	100	0.60%	300	1.81%
Government	76,300	75,700	75,400	600	0.79%	900	1.19%
Federal Government	2,900	2,900	3,000	0	0.00%	-100	-3.33%
State Government	39,900	39,600	39,400	300	0.76%	500	1.27%
Local Government	33,500	33,200	33,000	300	0.90%	500	1.52%
<i>Houma-Thibodaux MSA - Not Seasonally Adjusted</i>	Prel. Mar 2018	Rev. Feb 2018	Mar 2017	OTM Change	OTM % Change	OTY Change	OTY % Change
Total Nonfarm	85,600	85,700	85,800	-100	-0.12%	-200	-0.23%
Total Private	73,300	73,300	73,200	0	0.00%	100	0.14%
Goods-Producing	16,900	17,000	16,700	-100	-0.59%	200	1.20%
Mining & Logging	5,200	5,200	5,300	0	0.00%	-100	-1.89%
Support Activities for Mining	4,500	4,500	4,600	0	0.00%	-100	-2.17%
Mining, Logging, & Construction	9,800	9,800	9,700	0	0.00%	100	1.03%
Construction	4,600	4,600	4,400	0	0.00%	200	4.55%
Service-Providing	68,700	68,700	69,100	0	0.00%	-400	-0.58%
Private Service-Providing	56,400	56,300	56,500	100	0.18%	-100	-0.18%
Trade, Transportation, & Utilities	22,300	22,300	22,400	0	0.00%	-100	-0.45%
Retail Trade	10,400	10,300	10,500	100	0.97%	-100	-0.95%
Support Activities for Transportation	3,300	3,300	3,700	0	0.00%	-400	-10.81%
Administrative & Support Services	4,100	4,000	3,700	100	2.50%	400	10.81%
Employment Services	2,400	2,400	2,200	0	0.00%	200	9.09%
Leisure & Hospitality	7,800	7,800	7,700	0	0.00%	100	1.30%
Government	12,300	12,400	12,600	-100	-0.81%	-300	-2.38%
Federal Government	400	400	400	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
State Government	2,000	2,000	2,200	0	0.00%	-200	-9.09%
Local Government	9,900	10,000	10,000	-100	-1.00%	-100	-1.00%

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<i>Shreveport-Bossier City MSA - Not Seasonally Adjusted</i>	Prel.	Rev.		OTM	OTM	OTY	OTY
	Mar	Feb	Mar	Change	%	Change	%
	2018	2018	2017		Change		Change
Total Nonfarm	179,200	179,700	180,300	-500	-0.28%	-1,100	-0.61%
Total Private	149,400	149,800	149,600	-400	-0.27%	-200	-0.13%
Goods-Producing	22,900	22,900	22,600	0	0.00%	300	1.33%
Mining & Logging	4,100	4,100	3,900	0	0.00%	200	5.13%
Mining, Logging, & Construction	12,700	12,600	12,400	100	0.79%	300	2.42%
Construction	8,600	8,500	8,500	100	1.18%	100	1.18%
Manufacturing	10,200	10,300	10,200	-100	-0.97%	0	0.00%
Service-Providing	156,300	156,800	157,700	-500	-0.32%	-1,400	-0.89%
Private Service-Providing	126,500	126,900	127,000	-400	-0.32%	-500	-0.39%
Trade, Transportation, & Utilities	36,100	36,100	37,000	0	0.00%	-900	-2.43%
Wholesale Trade	7,800	7,700	7,700	100	1.30%	100	1.30%
Retail Trade	22,000	22,200	22,900	-200	-0.90%	-900	-3.93%
General Merchandise Stores	5,900	5,900	5,800	0	0.00%	100	1.72%
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities	6,300	6,200	6,400	100	1.61%	-100	-1.56%
Information	1,900	1,900	2,100	0	0.00%	-200	-9.52%
Financial Activities	7,500	7,500	7,400	0	0.00%	100	1.35%
Professional & Business Services	17,500	18,200	16,800	-700	-3.85%	700	4.17%
Admin. & Support & Waste Mgmt. & Remediation Serv.	10,300	10,300	10,000	0	0.00%	300	3.00%
Education & Health Services	33,600	33,600	33,600	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Health Care & Social Assistance	31,300	31,300	31,300	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Hospitals	13,400	13,500	13,500	-100	-0.74%	-100	-0.74%
Leisure & Hospitality	23,400	23,100	23,500	300	1.30%	-100	-0.43%
Arts, Entertainment, & Recreation	3,500	3,400	3,700	100	2.94%	-200	-5.41%
Amusement, Gambling, & Recreation Industries	3,000	3,100	3,300	-100	-3.23%	-300	-9.09%
Gambling Industries	2,300	2,300	2,400	0	0.00%	-100	-4.17%
Accommodation & Food Services	19,900	19,700	19,800	200	1.02%	100	0.51%
Food Services & Drinking Places	15,300	15,100	15,300	200	1.32%	0	0.00%
Other Services	6,500	6,500	6,600	0	0.00%	-100	-1.52%
Government	29,800	29,900	30,700	-100	-0.33%	-900	-2.93%
Federal Government	4,900	4,900	4,800	0	0.00%	100	2.08%
State Government	5,200	5,200	5,700	0	0.00%	-500	-8.77%
Local Government	19,700	19,800	20,200	-100	-0.51%	-500	-2.48%

<i>Lafayette MSA - Not Seasonally Adjusted</i>	Prel.	Rev.		OTM	OTM	OTY	OTY
	Mar	Feb	Mar	Change	%	Change	%
	2018	2018	2017		Change		Change
Total Nonfarm	200,500	198,700	202,100	1,800	0.91%	-1,600	-0.79%
Total Private	173,300	171,500	175,000	1,800	1.05%	-1,700	-0.97%
Goods-Producing	38,700	38,600	38,200	100	0.26%	500	1.31%
Mining & Logging	13,500	13,400	13,700	100	0.75%	-200	-1.46%
Support Activities for Mining	12,000	11,900	11,800	100	0.84%	200	1.69%
Mining, Logging, & Construction	23,500	23,200	23,500	300	1.29%	0	0.00%
Construction	10,000	9,800	9,800	200	2.04%	200	2.04%
Manufacturing	15,200	15,400	14,700	-200	-1.30%	500	3.40%
Service-Providing	161,800	160,100	163,900	1,700	1.06%	-2,100	-1.28%
Private Service-Providing	134,600	132,900	136,800	1,700	1.28%	-2,200	-1.61%
Trade, Transportation, & Utilities	42,600	42,000	43,200	600	1.43%	-600	-1.39%
Wholesale Trade	9,400	9,300	9,500	100	1.08%	-100	-1.05%
Retail Trade	27,700	27,200	27,900	500	1.84%	-200	-0.72%
General Merchandise Stores	6,100	5,900	5,700	200	3.39%	400	7.02%
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities	5,500	5,500	5,800	0	0.00%	-300	-5.17%
Information	2,500	2,500	2,600	0	0.00%	-100	-3.85%
Financial Activities	10,500	10,400	10,500	100	0.96%	0	0.00%
Professional & Business Services	19,300	18,800	20,200	500	2.66%	-900	-4.46%
Professional, Scientific, & Technical Services	9,500	9,400	9,400	100	1.06%	100	1.06%
Education & Health Services	31,600	31,500	31,000	100	0.32%	600	1.94%
Health Care & Social Assistance	30,000	29,900	29,600	100	0.33%	400	1.35%
Hospitals	7,500	7,500	7,500	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Leisure & Hospitality	21,100	20,700	22,100	400	1.93%	-1,000	-4.52%
Accommodation & Food Services	18,900	18,700	19,300	200	1.07%	-400	-2.07%
Food Services & Drinking Places	17,600	17,400	17,700	200	1.15%	-100	-0.56%
Other Services	7,000	7,000	7,200	0	0.00%	-200	-2.78%
Government	27,200	27,200	27,100	0	0.00%	100	0.37%
Federal Government	1,400	1,400	1,400	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
State Government	6,300	6,200	6,200	100	1.61%	100	1.61%
Local Government	19,500	19,600	19,500	-100	-0.51%	0	0.00%

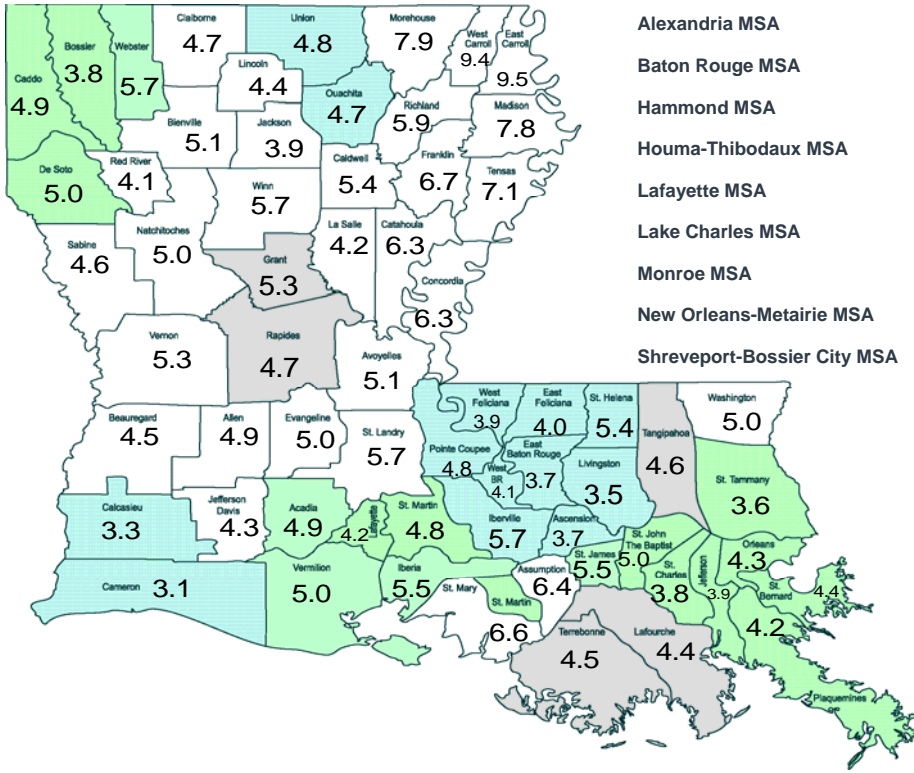
<i>Lake Charles MSA - Not Seasonally Adjusted</i>	Prel.	Rev.		OTM	OTM	OTY	OTY
	Mar	Feb	Mar	Change	%	Change	%
	2018	2018	2017		Change		Change
Total Nonfarm	118,600	117,600	113,200	1,000	0.85%	5,400	4.77%
Total Private	103,200	102,200	97,700	1,000	0.98%	5,500	5.63%
Goods-Producing	38,600	38,000	34,600	600	1.58%	4,000	11.56%
Mining & Logging	300	300	400	0	0.00%	-100	-25.00%
Mining, Logging, & Construction	28,100	27,500	24,300	600	2.18%	3,800	15.64%
Construction	27,800	27,200	23,900	600	2.21%	3,900	16.32%
Heavy & Civil Engineering Construction	9,000	8,800	9,100	200	2.27%	-100	-1.10%
Manufacturing	10,500	10,500	10,300	0	0.00%	200	1.94%
Nondurable Goods	7,800	7,700	7,600	100	1.30%	200	2.63%
Service-Providing	80,000	79,600	78,600	400	0.50%	1,400	1.78%
Private Service-Providing	64,600	64,200	63,100	400	0.62%	1,500	2.38%
Trade, Transportation, & Utilities	18,300	18,100	17,500	200	1.10%	800	4.57%
Retail Trade	11,600	11,500	11,100	100	0.87%	500	4.50%
Professional & Business Services	10,300	10,200	9,900	100	0.98%	400	4.04%
Leisure & Hospitality	15,500	15,400	15,000	100	0.65%	500	3.33%
Accommodation & Food Services	14,300	14,100	13,800	200	1.42%	500	3.62%
Government	15,400	15,400	15,500	0	0.00%	-100	-0.65%
Federal Government	500	500	600	0	0.00%	-100	-16.67%
State Government	3,000	3,000	3,000	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Local Government	11,900	11,900	11,900	0	0.00%	0	0.00%

<i>Monroe MSA - Not Seasonally Adjusted</i>	Prel.	Rev.		OTM	OTM	OTY	OTY
	Mar	Feb	Mar	Change	%	Change	%
	2018	2018	2017		Change		Change
Total Nonfarm	78,900	78,300	78,400	600	0.77%	500	0.64%
Total Private	67,500	67,000	66,600	500	0.75%	900	1.35%
Goods-Producing	10,500	10,400	10,400	100	0.96%	100	0.96%
Manufacturing	6,400	6,400	6,400	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Nondurable Goods	4,500	4,500	4,500	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Service-Providing	68,400	67,900	68,000	500	0.74%	400	0.59%
Private Service-Providing	57,000	56,600	56,200	400	0.71%	800	1.42%
Trade, Transportation, & Utilities	14,100	13,800	14,600	300	2.17%	-500	-3.42%
Retail Trade	9,900	9,800	10,200	100	1.02%	-300	-2.94%
Professional & Business Services	8,500	8,500	8,100	0	0.00%	400	4.94%
Education & Health Services	15,900	15,900	15,900	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Hospitals	3,600	3,600	3,600	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Leisure & Hospitality	8,100	8,000	8,100	100	1.25%	0	0.00%
Government	11,400	11,300	11,800	100	0.88%	-400	-3.39%
Federal Government	500	500	500	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
State Government	2,400	2,300	2,700	100	4.35%	-300	-11.11%
Local Government	8,500	8,500	8,600	0	0.00%	-100	-1.16%

<i>Alexandria MSA - Not Seasonally Adjusted</i>	Prel.	Rev.		OTM	OTM	OTY	OTY
	Mar	Feb	Mar	Change	%	Change	%
	2018	2018	2017		Change		Change
Total Nonfarm	62,200	62,000	61,700	200	0.32%	500	0.81%
Total Private	48,700	48,500	48,100	200	0.41%	600	1.25%
Goods-Producing	8,000	8,000	8,000	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Service-Providing	54,200	54,000	53,700	200	0.37%	500	0.93%
Private Service-Providing	40,700	40,500	40,100	200	0.49%	600	1.50%
Trade, Transportation, & Utilities	11,300	11,200	11,100	100	0.89%	200	1.80%
Retail Trade	7,900	7,800	7,700	100	1.28%	200	2.60%
Hospitals	4,100	4,100	4,000	0	0.00%	100	2.50%
Government	13,500	13,500	13,600	0	0.00%	-100	-0.74%
Federal Government	2,800	2,800	2,900	0	0.00%	-100	-3.45%
State Government	3,600	3,600	3,700	0	0.00%	-100	-2.70%
Local Government	7,100	7,100	7,000	0	0.00%	100	1.43%

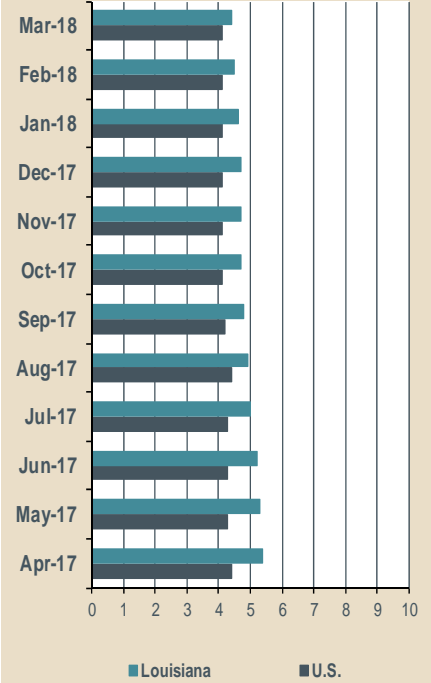
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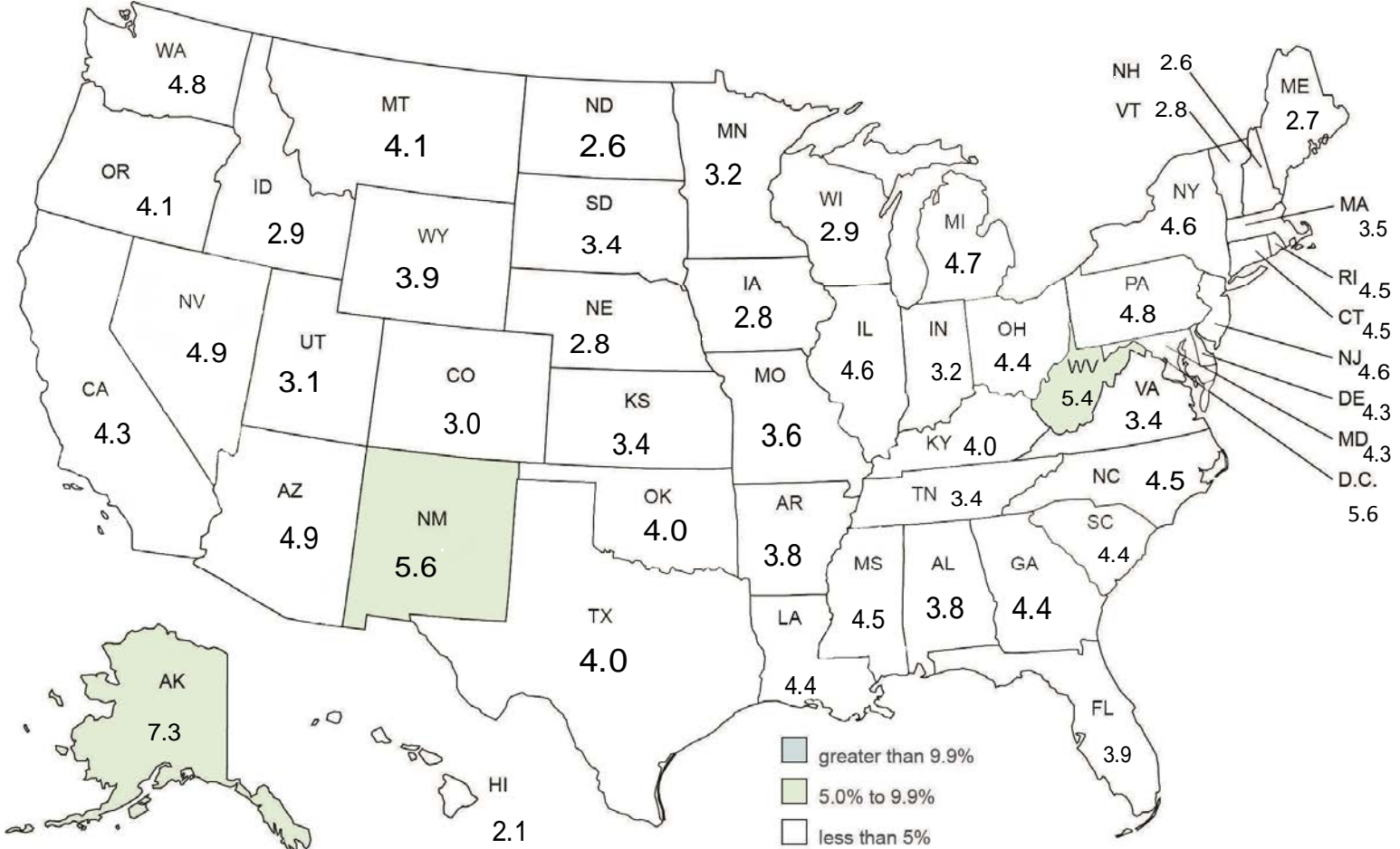
Statewide	4.3 %
Alexandria MSA	4.7 %
Baton Rouge MSA	3.8 %
Hammond MSA	4.6 %
Houma-Thibodaux MSA	4.4 %
Lafayette MSA	4.6 %
Lake Charles MSA	3.3 %
Monroe MSA	4.7 %
New Orleans-Metairie MSA	4.0 %
Shreveport-Bossier City MSA	4.7 %

United States - Louisiana Unemployment Rates (Seasonally Adjusted)



United States Unemployment Rates (Seasonally Adjusted)

March 2018



CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

Area	March 2018			February 2018			March 2017		
	Employed	Unemployed	Rate	Employed	Unemployed	Rate	Employed	Unemployed	Rate
UNITED STATES	154,877,000	6,671,000	4.1	154,403,000	7,091,000	4.4	152,628,000	7,284,000	4.6
LOUISIANA	2,046,339	92,757	4.3	2,043,135	85,652	4.0	1,993,966	111,357	5.3
ALEXANDRIA MSA	61,981	3,088	4.7	62,146	2,867	4.4	60,202	3,757	5.9
Grant	7,808	433	5.3	7,829	405	4.9	7,581	504	6.2
Rapides	54,173	2,655	4.7	54,317	2,462	4.3	52,621	3,253	5.8
BATON ROUGE MSA	411,533	16,278	3.8	409,112	14,992	3.5	399,697	18,964	4.5
Ascension	61,265	2,337	3.7	60,914	2,184	3.5	59,504	2,719	4.4
East Baton Rouge	228,809	8,805	3.7	227,531	8,028	3.4	222,224	10,393	4.5
East Feliciana	7,930	329	4.0	7,883	304	3.7	7,702	380	4.7
Iberville	13,646	827	5.7	13,533	795	5.5	13,260	868	6.1
Livingston	67,740	2,493	3.5	67,339	2,261	3.2	65,784	2,950	4.3
Pointe Coupee	9,660	482	4.8	9,570	458	4.6	9,386	546	5.5
St. Helena	4,209	241	5.4	4,180	251	5.7	4,088	282	6.5
West Baton Rouge	13,029	552	4.1	12,958	514	3.8	12,654	600	4.5
West Feliciana	5,245	212	3.9	5,204	197	3.6	5,095	226	4.2
HAMMOND MSA	53,550	2,606	4.6	53,471	2,403	4.3	51,475	3,144	5.8
Tangipahoa	53,550	2,606	4.6	53,471	2,403	4.3	51,475	3,144	5.8
HOUMA-THIBODAUX MSA	85,227	3,968	4.4	85,615	3,680	4.1	83,408	5,353	6.0
Lafourche	40,168	1,827	4.4	40,380	1,668	4.0	39,301	2,388	5.7
Terrebonne	45,059	2,141	4.5	45,235	2,012	4.3	44,107	2,965	6.3
LAFAYETTE MSA	204,282	9,818	4.6	203,577	9,041	4.3	200,981	12,986	6.1
Acadia	23,010	1,179	4.9	22,857	1,094	4.6	22,651	1,509	6.2
Iberia	27,679	1,621	5.5	27,551	1,509	5.2	27,223	2,461	8.3
Lafayette	108,950	4,718	4.2	108,714	4,274	3.8	107,182	5,930	5.2
St. Martin	21,479	1,079	4.8	21,370	1,026	4.6	21,154	1,470	6.5
Vermilion	23,164	1,221	5.0	23,085	1,138	4.7	22,771	1,616	6.6
LAKE CHARLES MSA	113,022	3,885	3.3	112,816	3,602	3.1	105,811	4,408	4.0
Calcasieu	108,965	3,757	3.3	108,771	3,482	3.1	102,011	4,262	4.0
Cameron	4,057	128	3.1	4,045	120	2.9	3,800	146	3.7
MONROE MSA	77,697	3,810	4.7	77,485	3,513	4.3	75,506	4,405	5.5
Ouachita	68,861	3,360	4.7	68,710	3,079	4.3	66,914	3,867	5.5
Union	8,836	450	4.8	8,775	434	4.7	8,592	538	5.9
NEW ORLEANS-METairie MSA	580,943	24,476	4.0	580,465	22,596	3.7	564,590	28,433	4.8
Jefferson	210,599	8,497	3.9	210,424	7,790	3.6	204,691	9,798	4.6
Orleans	174,003	7,851	4.3	173,911	7,252	4.0	169,089	8,919	5.0
Plaquemines	9,884	428	4.2	9,830	386	3.8	9,613	470	4.7
St. Bernard	18,848	862	4.4	18,821	794	4.0	18,314	1,044	5.4
St. Charles	24,624	963	3.8	24,598	895	3.5	23,935	1,175	4.7
St. James	9,122	530	5.5	9,096	527	5.5	8,872	638	6.7
St. John the Baptist	19,189	1,018	5.0	19,168	975	4.8	18,655	1,240	6.2
St. Tammany	114,674	4,327	3.6	114,617	3,977	3.4	111,421	5,149	4.4
SHREVEPORT-BOSSIER CITY MSA	180,640	8,836	4.7	181,800	8,067	4.2	177,475	10,644	5.7
Bossier	55,179	2,199	3.8	55,525	1,981	3.4	54,215	2,632	4.6
Caddo	101,184	5,239	4.9	101,862	4,792	4.5	99,404	6,240	5.9
De Soto	10,206	542	5.0	10,257	518	4.8	10,031	691	6.4
Webster	14,071	856	5.7	14,156	776	5.2	13,825	1,081	7.3
NON-MSA PARISHES									
Allen	8,672	451	4.9	8,693	424	4.7	8,500	456	5.1
Assumption	8,331	566	6.4	8,285	538	6.1	8,336	688	7.6
Avoyelles	14,757	794	5.1	14,657	727	4.7	14,918	986	6.2
Beauregard (DeRidder MC)	13,962	661	4.5	13,944	625	4.3	13,840	782	5.3
Bienville	5,410	292	5.1	5,405	279	4.9	5,303	350	6.2
Caldwell	3,702	212	5.4	3,684	190	4.9	3,654	250	6.4
Catahoula	3,130	209	6.3	3,104	209	6.3	3,177	258	7.5
Claiborne	5,601	274	4.7	5,627	256	4.4	5,471	336	5.8
Concordia (Natchez, MS-LAMC)	6,536	442	6.3	6,505	426	6.1	6,610	588	8.2
East Carroll	1,819	190	9.5	1,813	189	9.4	1,795	257	12.5
Evangeline	12,074	638	5.0	11,993	590	4.7	11,934	744	5.9
Franklin	6,876	495	6.7	6,830	476	6.5	6,700	571	7.9
Jackson	6,766	277	3.9	6,723	259	3.7	6,766	333	4.7
Jefferson Davis	13,087	586	4.3	13,163	528	3.9	12,780	678	5.0
La Salle	5,941	260	4.2	5,971	231	3.7	5,801	308	5.0
Lincoln (Ruston MC)	21,595	988	4.4	21,572	882	3.9	20,638	1,178	5.4
Madison	3,462	292	7.8	3,439	269	7.3	3,427	333	8.9
Morehouse (Bastrop MC)	9,734	839	7.9	9,700	765	7.3	9,588	895	8.5
Natchitoches (Natchitoches MC)	15,704	818	5.0	15,651	760	4.6	15,794	993	5.9
Red River	3,768	162	4.1	3,738	165	4.2	3,621	210	5.5
Richland	7,858	496	5.9	7,832	466	5.6	7,742	565	6.8
Sabine	8,565	417	4.6	8,474	381	4.3	8,225	499	5.7
St. Landry (Opelousas MC)	30,157	1,838	5.7	30,005	1,679	5.3	29,965	2,228	6.9
St. Mary (Morgan City MC)	18,432	1,308	6.6	18,469	1,235	6.3	18,719	1,798	8.8
Tensas	1,363	104	7.1	1,335	97	6.8	1,419	140	9.0
Vernon (Fort Polk South MC)	15,444	870	5.3	15,475	819	5.0	15,541	1,022	6.2
Washington (Bogalusa MC)	16,342	853	5.0	16,256	770	4.5	16,282	1,003	5.8
West Carroll	3,650	377	9.4	3,607	392	9.8	3,585	473	11.7
Winn	4,725	283	5.7	4,699	265	5.3	4,689	342	6.8

In addition to nine (9) Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs) in Louisiana, there are nine (9) Micropolitan Statistical Areas (MCs). Civilian Labor Force can be derived by adding employed and unemployed. For related information or data, please visit <http://www.bls.gov/iau/>.

LOUISIANA - PRIVATE EMPLOYMENT (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

	Average Weekly Earnings (\$)			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings (\$)		
	MAR	FEB	MAR	MAR	FEB	MAR	MAR	FEB	MAR
	2018	2018	2017	2018	2018	2017	2018	2018	2017
Total Private	839.12	828.22	814.20	36.2	35.5	35.4	23.18	23.33	23.00
Goods-Producing	1,175.27	1,154.32	1,150.74	44.1	42.8	42.4	26.65	26.97	27.14
Private Service-Providing	758.72	751.71	733.31	34.3	33.8	33.7	22.12	22.24	21.76
Construction	1,135.56	1,094.70	1,109.71	42.9	41.0	41.5	26.47	26.70	26.74
Manufacturing	1,118.57	1,128.73	1,096.28	44.6	43.8	42.1	25.08	25.77	26.04
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	744.04	733.25	701.54	35.6	35.0	35.2	20.90	20.95	19.93
Financial Activities	1,019.71	1,036.73	1,005.62	37.6	37.4	35.8	27.12	27.72	28.09
Professional and Business Services	969.80	976.49	949.04	37.2	36.6	36.6	26.07	26.68	25.93
Education and Health Services	775.78	772.58	762.86	34.1	33.9	33.4	22.75	22.79	22.84
Leisure and Hospitality	373.46	369.92	373.18	27.4	27.1	27.5	13.63	13.65	13.57

METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS (MSAs) - PRIVATE EMPLOYMENT
(Not Seasonally Adjusted)

	Average Weekly Earnings (\$)			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings (\$)		
	MAR	FEB	MAR	MAR	FEB	MAR	MAR	FEB	MAR
	2018	2018	2017	2018	2018	2017	2018	2018	2017
Alexandria	664.95	650.07	660.96	34.1	33.7	33.5	19.50	19.29	19.73
Baton Rouge	936.03	908.26	864.23	37.1	36.2	36.1	25.23	25.09	23.94
Hammond	637.58	629.15	560.92	31.3	31.1	29.9	20.37	20.23	18.76
Houma	999.57	973.46	873.83	40.6	39.3	36.7	24.62	24.77	23.81
Lafayette	894.61	883.67	860.62	37.4	36.5	37.0	23.92	24.21	23.26
Lake Charles	781.18	777.47	929.10	35.9	35.1	38.0	21.76	22.15	24.45
Monroe	698.12	710.79	698.76	35.6	35.7	36.0	19.61	19.91	19.41
New Orleans	902.10	901.82	866.99	35.6	35.2	34.5	25.34	25.62	25.13
Shreveport	685.59	666.20	656.31	34.4	33.8	33.4	19.93	19.71	19.65

AVERAGE HOURS AND EARNINGS FOR PRODUCTION WORKERS IN MANUFACTURING
AND SELECTED NONMANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

	Production Workers	Average Weekly Earnings (\$)			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings (\$)			
		MAR	MAR	FEB	MAR	MAR	FEB	MAR	MAR	FEB	MAR
		2018	2018	2018	2017	2018	2018	2017	2018	2018	2017
Mining & Logging	26,200	1,531.43	1,530.56	1,452.58	49.9	50.9	48.5	30.69	30.07	29.95	
Manufacturing	106,300	952.12	977.24	919.60	44.1	44.0	41.8	21.59	22.21	22.00	
Durable Goods	49,000	942.65	983.97	1,007.68	42.5	43.5	43.1	22.18	22.62	23.38	
Nondurable Goods	57,300	960.96	972.33	844.53	45.5	44.5	40.7	21.12	21.85	20.75	

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT AREA		PERIOD	LABORFORCE	EMP	UNEMP	URATE
St. Tammany, Plaquemines, St. Bernard	WDA 10	February	148,425	143,268	5,157	3.5
		March	149,023	143,406	5,617	3.8
Jefferson	WDA 11	February	218,214	210,424	7,790	3.6
		March	219,096	210,599	8,497	3.9
Orleans	WDA 12	February	181,163	173,911	7,252	4.0
		March	181,854	174,003	7,851	4.3
St. James, St. John the Baptist, St. Charles	WDA 14	February	55,259	52,862	2,397	4.3
		March	55,446	52,935	2,511	4.5
Pointe Coupee, West Feliciana, East Feliciana, St. Helena, Tangipahoa, Washington, Livingston, Ascension, Iberville, West Baton Rouge	WDA 20	February	261,445	251,308	10,137	3.9
		March	263,548	252,616	10,932	4.1
East Baton Rouge	WDA 21	February	235,559	227,531	8,028	3.4
		March	237,614	228,809	8,805	3.7
Assumption, Lafourche, Terrebonne	WDA 31	February	98,118	93,900	4,218	4.3
		March	98,092	93,558	4,534	4.6
Lafayette, Vermilion, Iberia, St. Mary, St. Martin, St. Landry, Evangeline, Acadia	WDA 40	February	276,589	264,044	12,545	4.5
		March	278,547	264,945	13,602	4.9
Vernon, Allen, Beauregard, Calcasieu, Jefferson Davis, Cameron	WDA 51	February	170,089	164,091	5,998	3.5
		March	170,640	164,187	6,453	3.8
Avoyelles, Catahoula, Concordia, LaSalle, Grant, Winn	WDA 60	February	45,028	42,765	2,263	5.0
		March	45,318	42,897	2,421	5.3
Rapides	WDA 61	February	56,779	54,317	2,462	4.3
		March	56,828	54,173	2,655	4.7
DeSoto, Sabine, Natchitoches, Red River, Bienville, Lincoln, Claiborne, Webster	WDA 70	February	88,897	84,880	4,017	4.5
		March	89,269	84,920	4,349	4.9
Caddo, Bossier	WDA 71	February	164,160	157,387	6,773	4.1
		March	163,801	156,363	7,438	4.5
Ouachita	WDA 81	February	71,789	68,710	3,079	4.3
		March	72,221	68,861	3,360	4.7
Union, East Carroll, West Carroll, Morehouse, Franklin, Richland, Caldwell, Jackson, Madison, Tensas	WDA 83	February	57,275	53,738	3,537	6.2
		March	57,798	54,066	3,732	6.5

*WDA data are seasonally adjusted. February is revised, while March is preliminary.

Labor Market Questions and Answers!

When will the new projections data be included in the website?

The new projections data for the short-term 2015-2018 and long-term 2015-2024 are now on the website.

http://www.laworks.net/LaborMarketInfo/LMI_EmploymentProjections_Revised.asp

This web page shows industry and occupational information sorted by education and all occupations. The data includes occupations that are the fastest growing and the ones that will add the most jobs.

Glossary & Technical Notes

Average Hourly Earnings/Average Weekly Earnings/ Average Weekly Hours (CES/BLS) - average total money earnings, in the survey week (i.e., the week that includes the twelfth of the month), of production workers plus nonsupervisory workers not in production, including overtime, paid vacation and sick leave.

Civilian Labor Force - that portion of the population, age sixteen or older, which is employed or unemployed and actively seeking employment during the reference week of the twelfth of the month.

Employed - the members of the labor force who worked for pay or profit, or had a job from which they were temporarily absent because of illness, vacation, labor dispute, or other reasons not reflecting a shortage of work, or who worked fifteen hours or more as unpaid workers in an enterprise operated by a member of the family.

Unemployed - the members of the labor force who did not work but were seeking work or were awaiting recall from layoffs or the beginning of a new job within thirty days.

Unemployment Rate - the number of unemployed persons expressed as a percentage of the labor force.

Continued Claim - each week claimed subsequent to the filing of the initial claim for a week of unemployment compensation.

Current Employment Statistics (CES) - estimates of nonfarm employment and production workers hours and earnings by industry. They are produced as part of a nationwide program, in cooperation with the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS), for the state and each metropolitan statistical area (MSA) from a sample of employing establishments.

Current Population Survey (CPS) - a monthly household survey of the U.S. population conducted for the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) by the Bureau of the Census, of 60,000 selected households. Respondents are interviewed to obtain information on the employment status of each household member age 16 and over, during the reference week of the twelfth.

Durable Goods - items with a normal life expectancy of three years or more. Automobiles, furniture, household appliances, and mobile homes are examples.

Extended Layoff Event - Fifty or more initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits from an establishment during a 5-week period, with at least 50 workers separated for more than 30 days.

Initial Claims - a new claim, filed to open a claim for unemployment compensation.

Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) - a geographical area comprised of a parish generally containing a central city (or twin cities) of 50,000 inhabitants or more and contiguous parishes that are socially and economically integrated with the central city.

Micropolitan Statistical Area (MC) - a geographical area comprised of a parish containing a central city of at least 10,000 but less than 50,000 inhabitants and contiguous parishes that are socially and economically integrated with the central city.

NAICS (North American Industry Classification System) - an industry classification system that groups establishments into industries based on the activities in which they are primarily engaged.

Nonfarm Employment - employment by place of work that does not include the self employed, unpaid family workers, domestics, or agriculture workers. All estimates of nonfarm employment in this publication are in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor Bureau of Labor Statistics and include all full-time and part-time workers who were employed during the pay period including the twelfth of the month.

Nondurable Goods - items that generally last for only a short period of time (less than three years). Food, beverages, apparel, and gasoline are common examples.

Seasonally Adjusted - monthly data that is adjusted to minimize the changes in any time series which result from normal annual occurrences such as Christmas, summer vacations, and weather patterns.

Separation - The release of persons from an employer as part of a mass layoff event. Such releases involve both persons subject to recall and those who are terminated by the establishment.

Subsector - refers to the three-digit NAICS code, which will fall under the particular sector. Example: If Manufacturing (31-33) is the industry sector, then Food manufacturing (311), Paper manufacturing (322), Chemical manufacturing (325), Transportation equipment manufacturing (336), are some of the subsectors of manufacturing.

Supersector - refers to these five categories: Total Nonfarm, Total Private, Goods-Producing, Service-Providing, and Private Service-Providing.

Summary Industry Sector - a combination of industry sectors. A summary sector may or may not be published. The summary industry sectors are Mining & Logging; Construction; Manufacturing; Trade, Transportation, & Utilities; Information; Financial Activities; Professional & Business Services; Education & Health Services; Leisure & Hospitality; Other Services; and Government.

Industry Sector - 20 industry sectors based on two-digit NAICS code. They are Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting (11), Mining (21), Utilities (22), Construction (23), Manufacturing (31-33), Wholesale Trade (42), Retail Trade (44-45), Transportation and Warehousing (48-49), Information (51), Finance and Insurance (52), Real Estate and Rental and Leasing (53), Professional and Technical Services (54), Management of Companies and Enterprises (55), Administrative and Waste Services (56), Educational Services (61), Health Care and Social Assistance (62), Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation (71), Accommodation and Food Services (72), Other Services (81), and Public Administration (92).

Constraints of the monthly civilian labor force and nonfarm employment estimates:

The civilian labor force estimates are derived by a monthly survey of approximately 723 households throughout Louisiana following the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) methodology. The US Census Bureau conducts the survey by calling randomly selected households and providing BLS with survey results. Households are asked for the number of residents who are sixteen and over and whether they were working or actively looking for work during the week of the twelfth of the month. Responses to these questions become part of the formula to determine the number of people employed and the number of individuals unemployed for the state, MSAs, and each parish every month.

The nonfarm employment estimates are derived from responses received from the monthly BLS survey of approximately 7,000 businesses across the state. Responses capture employment activity during the 12th of each month. This survey relies on responses from these businesses to produce industry employment levels for the state and all metropolitan statistical areas.

Both data sets are comparable with estimates for the U.S., all 50 states, and 387 metropolitan areas across the U.S.

LABOR MARKET INFORMATION WEB LINKS

Civilian Labor Force - LAUS (Local Area Unemployment Statistics) –

Employment, Unemployment and Unemployment Insurance Rate

LA <https://www.louisianaworks.net/hire/altentry.asp?action=lmiguest>

Left menu: Historical Data Analysis – Employment and Wage Data – Labor Force Data – Labor Force Employment and Unemployment (LAUS)

States <http://data.bls.gov/cgi-bin/dsrv?la>

US <http://data.bls.gov/pdq/querytool.jsp?survey=ln>

Consumer Price Index (US) <http://data.bls.gov/cgi-bin/surveymost?cu>

Download Louisiana Workforce Commission’s Labor Market Information Products

LA http://www.laworks.net/Downloads/Downloads_LMI.asp

Employment and Wage Data – Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW)

LA <https://www.louisianaworks.net/hire/altentry.asp?action=lmiguest>

Left menu: Historical Data Analysis – Employment and Wage Data – Industry Data – Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW)

States & US <http://data.bls.gov/cgi-bin/dsrv?en>

NAICS (North American Industry Classification System) Codes Look-Up Table

<http://www.census.gov/eos/www/naics/>

Nonfarm Employment, Hours and Earnings - CES (Current Employment Statistics)

LA <https://www.louisianaworks.net/hire/altentry.asp?action=lmiguest>

Left menu: Historical Data Analysis – Employment and Wage Data – Industry Data – Current Employment Statistics (CES) – select Show Earnings Data under table

States <http://data.bls.gov/cgi-bin/dsrv?sm>

US <http://data.bls.gov/cgi-bin/dsrv?ce>

Unemployment Insurance Claimants Data (by Occupation) - Unemployment Insurance (UI)

LA <https://www.louisianaworks.net/hire/altentry.asp?action=lmiguest>

Left menu: Historical Data Analysis – Employment and Wage Data – Labor Force Data – Unemployment Insurance Claimants

Unemployment Insurance Claims Data (by Region, Parish, Industry) - UI

LA http://www.laworks.net/LaborMarketInfo/LMI_UIClaimsReportMenu.asp

States & US <http://ows.doleta.gov/unemploy/claims.asp>

Unemployment Rates for all States - LAUS

States <http://www.bls.gov/web/laus/laumstrk.htm>



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