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BLS Data: Wisconsin Breaks Record in Number of Jobs During June

MADISON— The Department of Workforce Development (DWD) today released the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) job totals for the month of June 2023, which showed Wisconsin's total nonfarm jobs reached a record high of 3,006,900. This is 52,900 more jobs than a year ago and an increase of 6,900 over the previous month.

Preliminary employment estimates for June 2023 showed Wisconsin's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 2.5%. The total labor force grew by 14,000 and employment increased by 10,700 over the month of June. Additionally, the state's total labor force participation rate increased to 65.3%.

Nationwide for the month of June, the U.S. unemployment rate was 3.6%, 1.1 percentage points above Wisconsin's rate, and the national labor force participation rate of 62.6% was 2.7 percentage points below the state rate.

- **Place of Residence Data:** Wisconsin's unemployment rate was 2.5% in June after hitting a record low of 2.4% in April and May. For June, the number of unemployed people increased by 3,300 over the month and decreased by 14,300 over the year to 76,700. The labor force gained 14,000 workers over the month for a total labor force of 3,113,700. The number of people employed grew by 10,700 over the month of June for a total of 3,037,000 employed.
- **Place of Work Data:** Total jobs increased by 52,900 over the year and increased 6,900 over the month to 3,006,900 total jobs in May. Private sector jobs increased by 43,700 over the year and increased by 7,000 over the month to 2,603,400. Leisure and hospitality jobs grew by 11,500 over the year and 6,100 over the month.

"Wisconsin's labor market economy had a record-breaking June in terms of total jobs, and the labor force gained 14,000 workers over the month," said DWD Secretary-designee Amy Pechacek. "Wisconsin's labor force participation rate continued to outpace the nation's rate, as well. Wisconsin workers are motivated and encouraged by the opportunities that are available, and the Department of Workforce Development remains committed to help all workers gain the skills and supports necessary to thrive in the modern economy."

Today's full report can be viewed on DWD's premier source for labor market information, [WisConomy.com](https://www.wisconomy.com).

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[Wisconsin's Department of Workforce Development](https://www.dwd.wisconsin.gov) efficiently delivers effective and inclusive services to meet Wisconsin's diverse workforce needs now and for the future. The department advocates for and invests in the protection and economic advancement of all Wisconsin workers, employers and job seekers through six divisions – Employment and Training, Vocational Rehabilitation, Unemployment Insurance, Equal Rights,

WISCONSIN LABOR FORCE SUMMARY

Seasonally Adjusted

PLACE OF RESIDENCE DATA	PRELIM.	REVISED	YEAR AGO	NET CHANGE OVER	
	Jun-23	May-23	Jun-22	1-Month	1-Year
Labor Force	3,113,700	3,099,700	3,087,400	14,000	26,300
Employment	3,037,000	3,026,300	2,996,400	10,700	40,600
Unemployment	76,700	73,400	91,000	3,300	-14,300
Unemployment Rate	2.5%	2.4%	2.9%	0.1%	-0.4%
US Unemployment Rate	3.6%	3.7%	3.6%	-0.1%	0.0%
Labor Force Participation Rate	65.3%	65.1%	65.2%	0.2%	0.1%
US Labor Force Participation Rate	62.6%	62.6%	62.2%	0.0%	0.4%

PLACE OF WORK DATA

NONFARM WAGE & SALARY	3,006,900	3,000,000	2,954,000	6,900	52,900
TOTAL PRIVATE	2,603,400	2,596,400	2,559,700	7,000	43,700
GOODS PRODUCING	619,900	621,000	614,500	-1,100	5,400
MINING & LOGGING	3,800	3,800	3,700	0	100
CONSTRUCTION	134,300	134,600	130,700	-300	3,600
MANUFACTURING	481,800	482,600	480,100	-800	1,700
Durable Goods	281,000	281,700	282,200	-700	-1,200
Nondurable Goods	200,800	200,900	197,900	-100	2,900
SERVICE PROVIDING	2,387,000	2,379,000	2,339,500	8,000	47,500
PRIVATE SERVICE PROVIDING	1,983,500	1,975,400	1,945,200	8,100	38,300
TRADE	434,700	434,800	422,500	-100	12,200
Wholesale Trade	135,200	135,600	126,600	-400	8,600
Retail Trade	299,500	299,200	295,900	300	3,600
TRANS., WAREHOUSING, & UTILITIES	122,900	122,600	126,500	300	-3,600
INFORMATION	44,100	44,800	46,300	-700	-2,200
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	161,000	160,400	158,300	600	2,700
Real Estate, Rental, & Lease	28,300	28,300	27,000	0	1,300
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	328,000	326,600	329,300	1,400	-1,300
Prof., Scien., & Tech. Services	127,900	127,300	124,500	600	3,400
Admin. Support & Waste Mgmt. Services	134,400	133,800	140,100	600	-5,700
PRIVATE EDUCATION & HEALTH SERVICES	467,100	466,200	453,100	900	14,000
Private Educational Services	59,200	58,500	54,800	700	4,400
Health Care & Social Assistance	407,900	407,700	398,300	200	9,600
LEISURE & HOSPITALITY	276,000	269,900	264,500	6,100	11,500
Arts, Entertain., & Recreation	43,300	42,300	41,900	1,000	1,400
Accommodation & Food Services	232,700	227,600	222,600	5,100	10,100
OTHER SERVICES, except Public Admin.	149,700	150,100	144,700	-400	5,000
GOVERNMENT	403,500	403,600	394,300	-100	9,200
Federal Government	30,400	30,500	29,200	-100	1,200
State Government	94,200	95,100	92,000	-900	2,200
Local Government	278,900	278,000	273,100	900	5,800

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	
	Jun-23	May-23	Jun-22	1-Month	1-Year
Labor Force	3,182,100	3,120,400	3,125,100	61,700	57,000
Employment	3,073,400	3,036,700	3,016,800	36,700	56,600
Unemployment	108,600	83,700	108,300	24,900	300
Unemployment Rate	3.4%	2.7%	3.5%	0.7%	-0.1%
US Unemployment Rate	3.8%	3.4%	3.8%	0.4%	0.0%
Labor Force Participation Rate	66.8%	65.5%	66.0%	1.3%	0.8%
US Labor Force Participation Rate	62.9%	62.5%	62.5%	0.4%	0.4%

PLACE OF WORK DATA

<i>NONFARM WAGE & SALARY</i>	3,044,100	3,008,300	2,991,600	35,800	52,500
TOTAL PRIVATE	2,646,900	2,598,200	2,604,800	48,700	42,100
<i>GOODS PRODUCING</i>	631,000	621,900	627,400	9,100	3,600
MINING & LOGGING	3,900	3,800	3,800	100	100
CONSTRUCTION	142,000	138,100	138,700	3,900	3,300
MANUFACTURING	485,100	480,000	484,900	5,100	200
Durable Goods	284,400	280,000	285,500	4,400	-1,100
Nondurable Goods	200,700	200,000	199,400	700	1,300
<i>SERVICE PROVIDING</i>	2,413,100	2,386,400	2,364,200	26,700	48,900
<i>PRIVATE SERVICE PROVIDING</i>	2,015,900	1,976,300	1,977,400	39,600	38,500
TRADE	437,600	431,400	425,200	6,200	12,400
Wholesale Trade	137,100	134,800	128,000	2,300	9,100
Retail Trade	300,500	296,600	297,200	3,900	3,300
TRANS., WAREHOUSING, & UTILITIES	122,800	121,600	124,700	1,200	-1,900
Utilities	8,300	8,100	8,300	200	0
INFORMATION	44,200	44,200	46,200	0	-2,000
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	162,400	160,000	159,600	2,400	2,800
Finance and Insurance	133,300	131,700	131,700	1,600	1,600
Real Estate, Rental, & Lease	29,100	28,300	27,900	800	1,200
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	331,800	326,500	332,600	5,300	-800
Prof., Scien., & Tech. Services	128,500	126,100	124,900	2,400	3,600
Mgmt. Of Companies and Enterprises	66,300	65,400	65,200	900	1,100
Admin. Support & Waste Mgmt. Services	137,000	135,000	142,500	2,000	-5,500
PRIVATE EDUCATION & HEALTH SERVICES	467,600	466,000	455,300	1,600	12,300
Private Educational Services	55,800	58,900	53,900	-3,100	1,900
Health Care & Social Assistance	411,800	407,100	401,400	4,700	10,400
LEISURE & HOSPITALITY	298,800	275,400	287,100	23,400	11,700
Arts, Entertain., & Recreation	51,500	44,900	50,900	6,600	600
Accommodation & Food Services	247,300	230,500	236,200	16,800	11,100
OTHER SERVICES, except Public Admin.	150,700	151,200	146,700	-500	4,000
GOVERNMENT	397,200	410,100	386,800	-12,900	10,400
Federal Government	30,500	30,400	29,300	100	1,200
State Government	83,700	97,700	82,400	-14,000	1,300
Local Government	283,000	282,000	275,100	1,000	7,900

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