

# Energy

Utah's economy is currently growing at a 2.5 percent rate of employment growth. Not bad considering the lingering impact of the recession nationwide, yet that growth still lags behind what Utah is normally capable of doing (3.1 percent annual average).

One region of the state is booming, and that is the Uintah Basin of eastern Utah. Centered upon the communities of Roosevelt and Vernal, employment gains have been strong in both Duchesne and Uintah counties. The nation's insatiable desire for energy, coupled with high prices, has translated into robust activities for Duchesne County's oil and Uintah County's natural gas outputs. The region has had its share of booms and busts before and is well aware of that volatility. But when it is time to "make hay," one does so. 

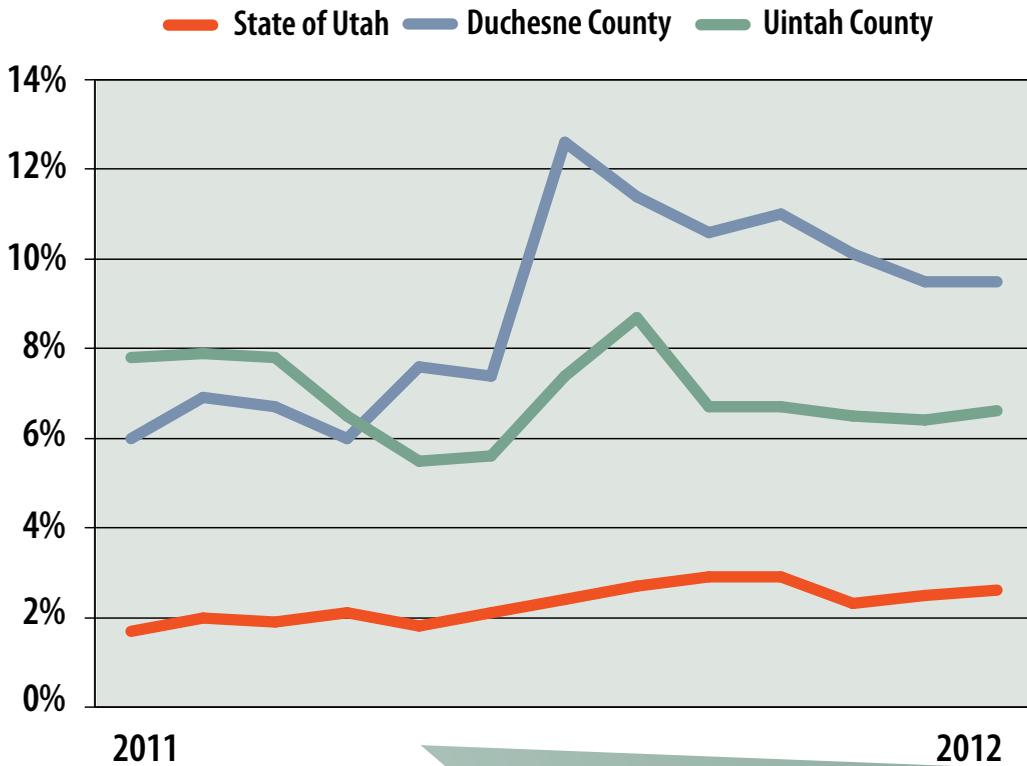


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# Booming in

# Employment Growth Percentage

## Most Recent 12 Months



Source: Utah Department of Workforce Services, March 2012

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