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UTAH'S EMPLOYMENT SUMMARY: August 2023

SALT LAKE CITY (Sept. 15, 2023) — Utah's nonfarm payroll employment for August 2023 increased an estimated 2.5% across the past 12 months, with the state's economy adding a cumulative 41,400 jobs since August 2022. Utah's current job count stands at 1,725,100.

August's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate is estimated at 2.5%, a one-tenth of one percentage-point increase. Approximately 45,800 Utahns are unemployed. Utah's July unemployment rate is unrevised at 2.4%. The August national unemployment rate moved up three-tenths of a percentage point to 3.8%.

"The Utah economy remains strong and viable. Anyone who desires to work should find employment," said Department of Workforce Services' Chief Economist Mark Knold. "The job market is still attractive. But a reduction in online job postings is a sign that the Utah job market has slowed from its red-hot pace of the past two years. Job postings greatly outnumbered the available labor supply over the past two years, creating a wide gap between available jobs and worker supply. Within the past two months, however, the level of job postings has slowed, but it is still higher than Utah's historically-normal job-posting level."

Utah's August private sector employment recorded a year-over-year expansion of 2.3%, or a 33,300-job increase. Eight of the ten major private-sector industry groups posted net year-over-year job gains. The overall job gains are led by leisure and hospitality services (16,300 jobs), education and health services (9,400 jobs), other services (3,700 jobs), and construction (2,00 jobs). The two sectors with job losses are trade/transportation/utilities (-1,000 jobs) and manufacturing (-300 jobs).

- Additional analysis and tables at <https://jobs.utah.gov/wi/update/index.html>
- County unemployment rates for August will post on or shortly after September 18, 2023, at <https://jobs.utah.gov/wi/update/unc/season.pdf>
- September's employment information will be released at 7 a.m. on Friday, October 20, 2023.
- Statistics generated by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, Washington, D.C., modeled from monthly employer (employment) and household (unemployment) surveys.

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Labor Market Indicators
August 2023

Utah
Employment Year-Over % Change: 2.5%
Employment # Change: 41,400
Unemployment Rate: 2.5%

United States
Employment Year-Over % Change: 2.0%
Unemployment Rate: 3.8%

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics



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Utah Nonagricultural Jobs by Industry and Components of the Labor Force

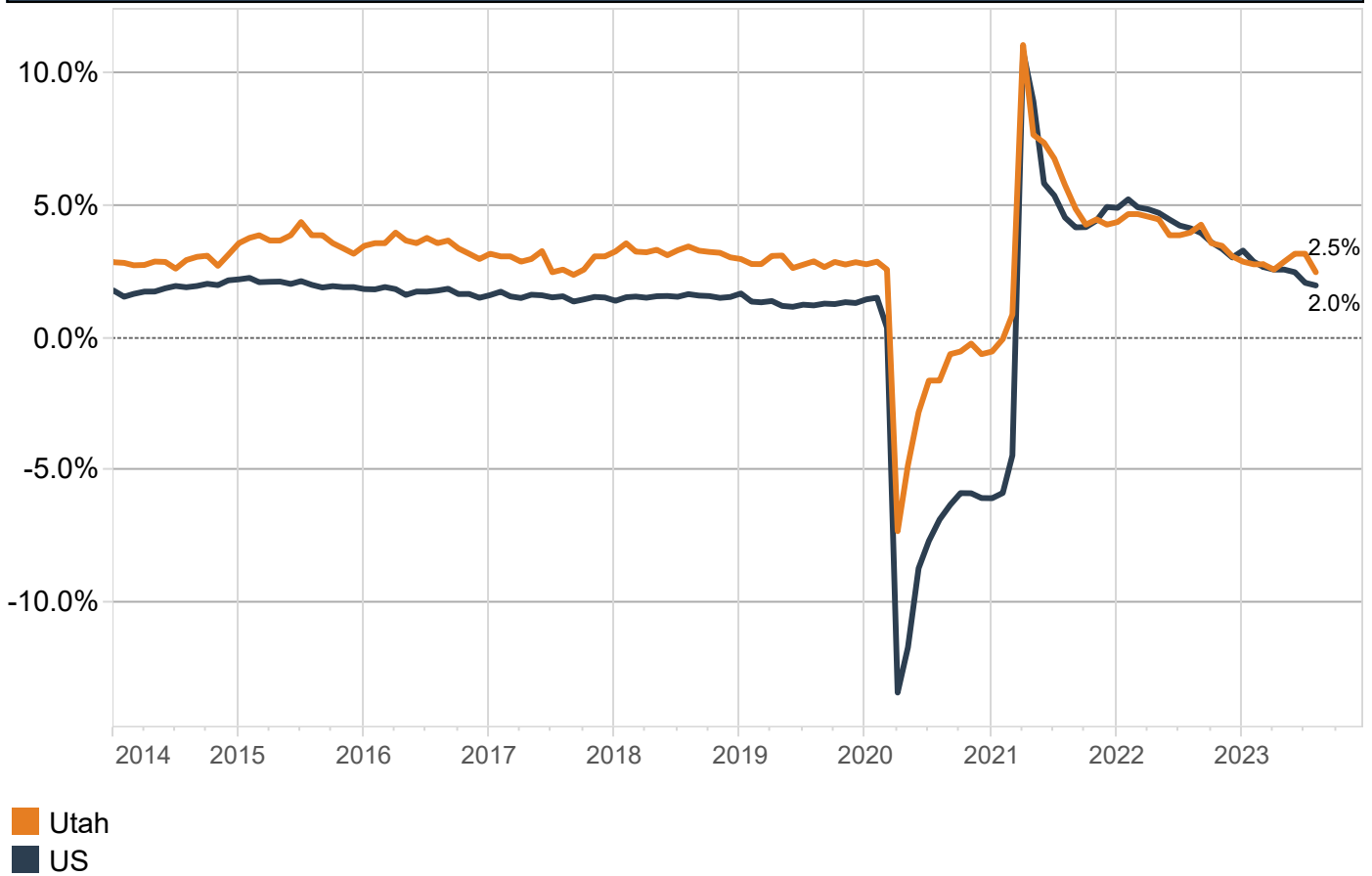
Numbers are in thousands	August (p) 2023	August 2022	Percentage Change	July (r) 2023	July 2022	Percentage Change
CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE (seasonally-adjusted)	1,813.1	1,749.8	3.6	1,809.3	1,747.6	3.5
Employed	1,767.3	1,708.1	3.5	1,765.5	1,706.9	3.4
Unemployed	45.8	41.7	9.8	43.8	40.7	7.6
Unemployment Rate	2.5	2.4		2.4	2.3	
NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT (Thousands)	1,725.1	1,683.7	2.5	1,724.3	1,671.0	3.2
Not seasonally-adjusted						
PRIVATE SECTOR	1,472.8	1,439.5	2.3	1,478.2	1,433.6	3.1
GOODS PRODUCING	300.4	298.1	0.8	304.1	297.7	2.1
Natural Resources and Mining	10.6	10.1	5.0	10.7	10.2	4.9
Construction	137.4	135.3	1.6	139.4	134.7	3.5
Construction of Buildings	30.7	28.9	6.2	30.6	28.9	5.9
Heavy and Civil Engineering	14.9	13.7	8.8	15.1	13.5	11.9
Specialty Trade Contractors	91.8	92.7	-1.0	93.7	92.3	1.5
Manufacturing	152.4	152.7	-0.2	154.0	152.8	0.8
Durable Goods	96.0	96.4	-0.4	96.9	96.3	0.6
Computer and Electronic Products	13.3	13.2	0.8	13.4	13.2	1.5
Transportation and Equipment Manufacturing	17.9	17.2	4.1	18.1	17.1	5.8
Non-Durable Goods	56.4	56.3	0.2	57.1	56.5	1.1
SERVICES PROVIDING	1,424.7	1,385.6	2.8	1,420.2	1,373.3	3.4
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	312.6	313.6	-0.3	312.5	312.2	0.1
Wholesale Trade	57.4	59.5	-3.5	57.2	59.4	-3.7
Retail Trade	183.9	182.3	0.9	184.2	181.6	1.4
Motor Vehicle and Parts Dealers	25.4	24.6	3.3	25.2	24.4	3.3
Food and Beverage Stores	28.5	28.4	0.4	28.3	28.3	0.0
General Merchandise Stores	34.7	35.6	-2.5	34.9	35.4	-1.4
Transportation and Utilities	71.3	71.8	-0.7	71.1	71.2	-0.1
Utilities	3.5	3.7	-5.4	3.6	3.6	0.0
Transportation & Warehousing	67.8	68.1	-0.4	67.5	67.6	-0.1
Air Transportation	9.3	8.7	6.9	9.2	8.6	7.0
Truck Transportation	20.4	20.5	-0.5	20.6	20.6	0.0
Couriers and Messengers	14.8	15.4	-3.9	14.6	15.2	-3.9
Information	46.4	45.6	1.8	47.3	45.6	3.7
Motion Picture and Sound Recording	7.7	7.6	1.3	7.8	6.8	14.7
Publishing Industries	20.8	20.7	0.5	21.2	21.3	-0.5
Telecommunications	5.5	5.3	3.8	5.6	5.3	5.7
Internet Service Providers	8.4	8.1	3.7	8.5	8.2	3.7
Financial Activities	99.4	98.1	1.3	98.7	98.4	0.3
Finance and Insurance	74.5	74.2	0.4	73.7	74.4	-0.9
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	24.9	23.9	4.2	25.0	24.0	4.2
Professional and Business Services	252.0	251.5	0.2	252.3	250.3	0.8
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	135.8	131.6	3.2	135.6	130.7	3.7
Architectural, Engineering, and Related	20.8	19.3	7.8	20.8	19.3	7.8
Computer Systems Design and Related	39.1	38.1	2.6	39.3	37.4	5.1
Management of Companies and Enterprises	22.5	22.2	1.4	22.5	22.2	1.4
Administrative and Waste Services	93.7	97.7	-4.1	94.2	97.4	-3.3
Employment Services	30.0	31.2	-3.8	29.8	30.9	-3.6
Business Support Services	11.6	12.5	-7.2	11.6	12.7	-8.7
Education and Health Services	229.5	220.1	4.3	228.6	218.0	4.9
Educational Services	49.7	46.4	7.1	48.1	43.5	10.6
Health Services and Social Assistance	179.8	173.7	3.5	180.5	174.5	3.4
Ambulatory Health Care Services	79.5	76.0	4.6	80.0	75.7	5.7
Hospitals	41.3	39.8	3.8	41.3	39.8	3.8
Nursing and Residential Care Facilities	29.4	28.8	2.1	29.5	28.7	2.8
Social Assistance	29.6	29.1	1.7	29.7	30.3	-2.0
Leisure and Hospitality	184.3	168.0	9.7	185.8	166.9	11.3
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	35.3	28.6	23.4	36.1	29.0	24.5
Accommodation and Food Services	149.0	139.4	6.9	149.7	137.9	8.6
Accommodation	24.2	21.7	11.5	24.4	21.5	13.5
Food Services and Drinking Places	124.8	117.7	6.0	125.3	116.4	7.6
Other Services	48.2	44.5	8.3	48.9	44.5	9.9
Government	252.3	244.2	3.3	246.1	237.4	3.7
Federal Government	39.2	39.2	0.0	39.3	39.3	0.0
Federal Defense	18.4	18.3	0.5	18.4	18.3	0.5
Other Federal Government	20.8	20.9	-0.5	20.9	21.0	-0.5
State Government	84.3	81.9	2.9	82.9	80.8	2.6
State Education	48.9	46.5	5.2	47.5	45.5	4.4
Other State Government	35.4	35.4	0.0	35.4	35.3	0.3
Local Government	128.8	123.1	4.6	123.9	117.3	5.6
Local Education	64.6	61.3	5.4	60.0	55.9	7.3
Other Local Government	64.2	61.8	3.9	63.9	61.4	4.1

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics: Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS); Current Employment Statistics (CES). September 15, 2023

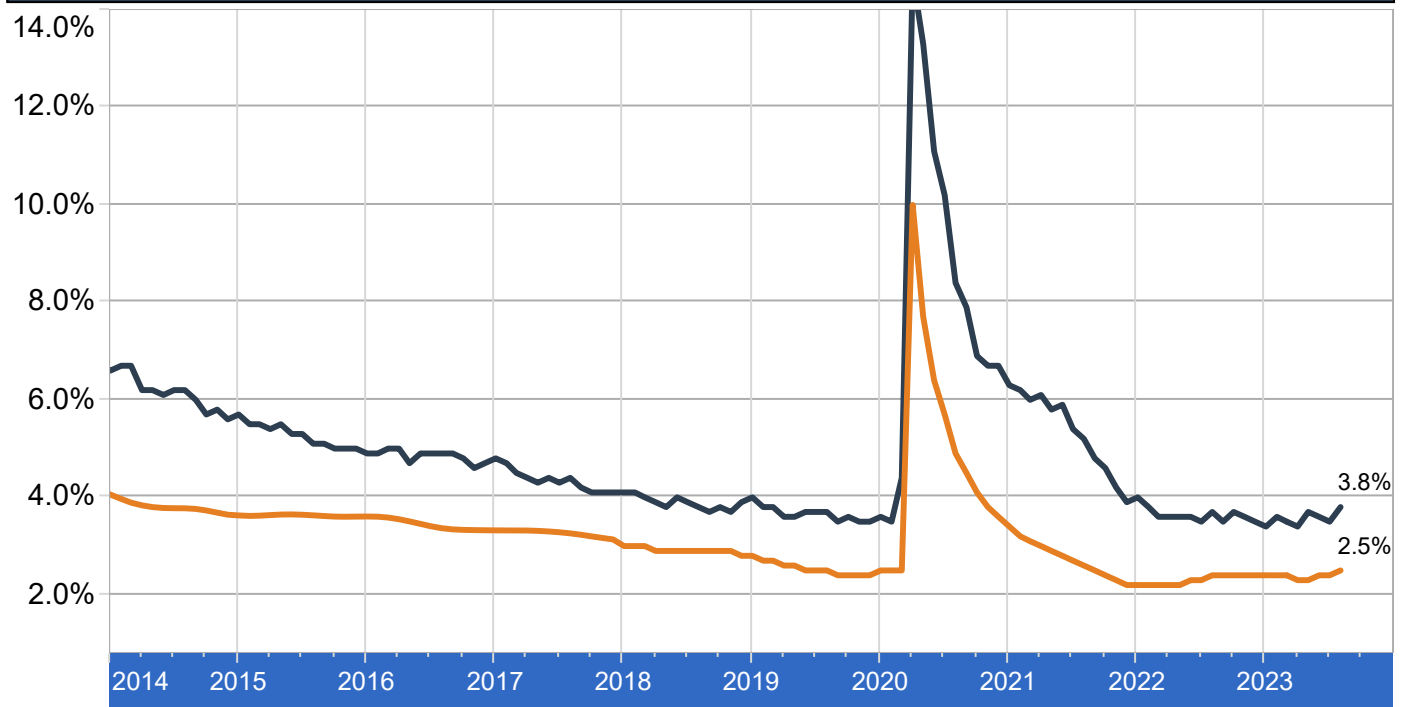
Note: Government owned education, healthcare, etc. are enumerated within Government.

p = preliminary r = revised

Year-Over Percent Change In Nonfarm Jobs

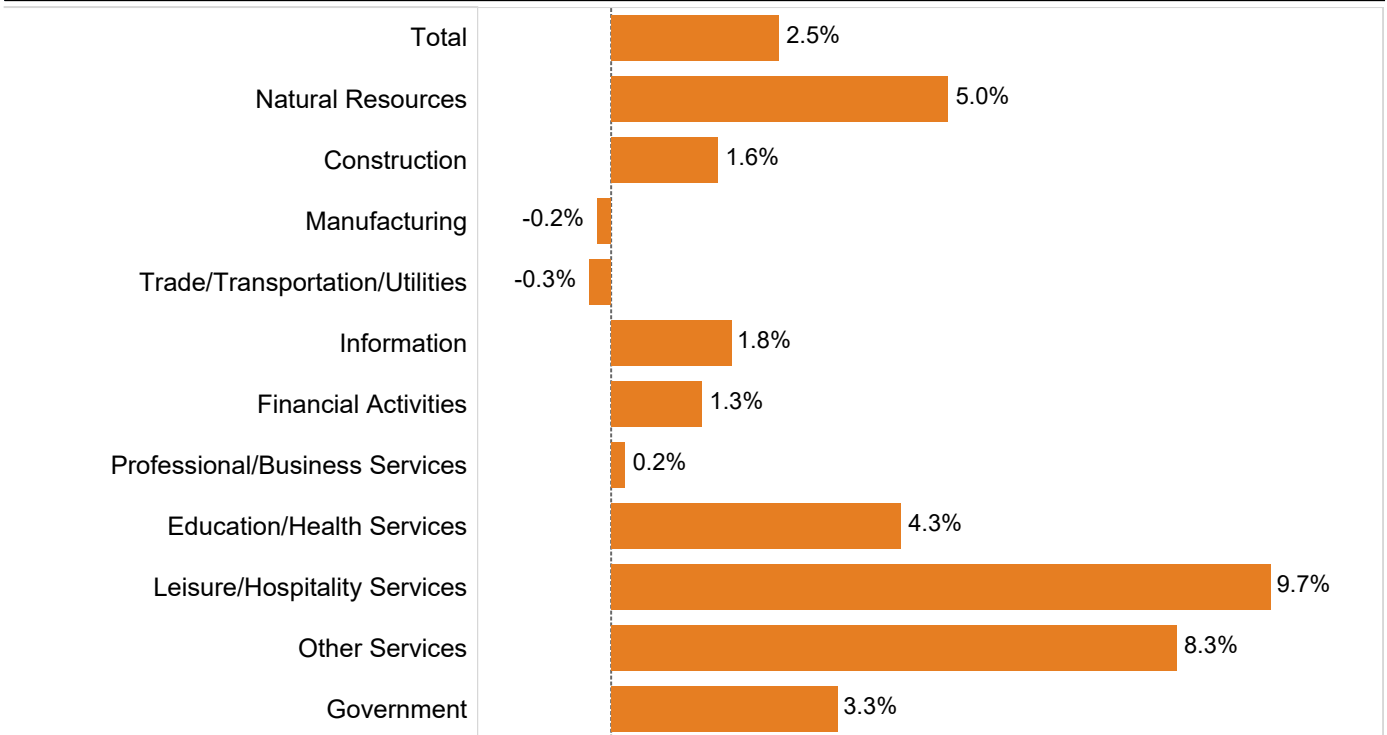


Seasonally Adjusted Unemployment Rates

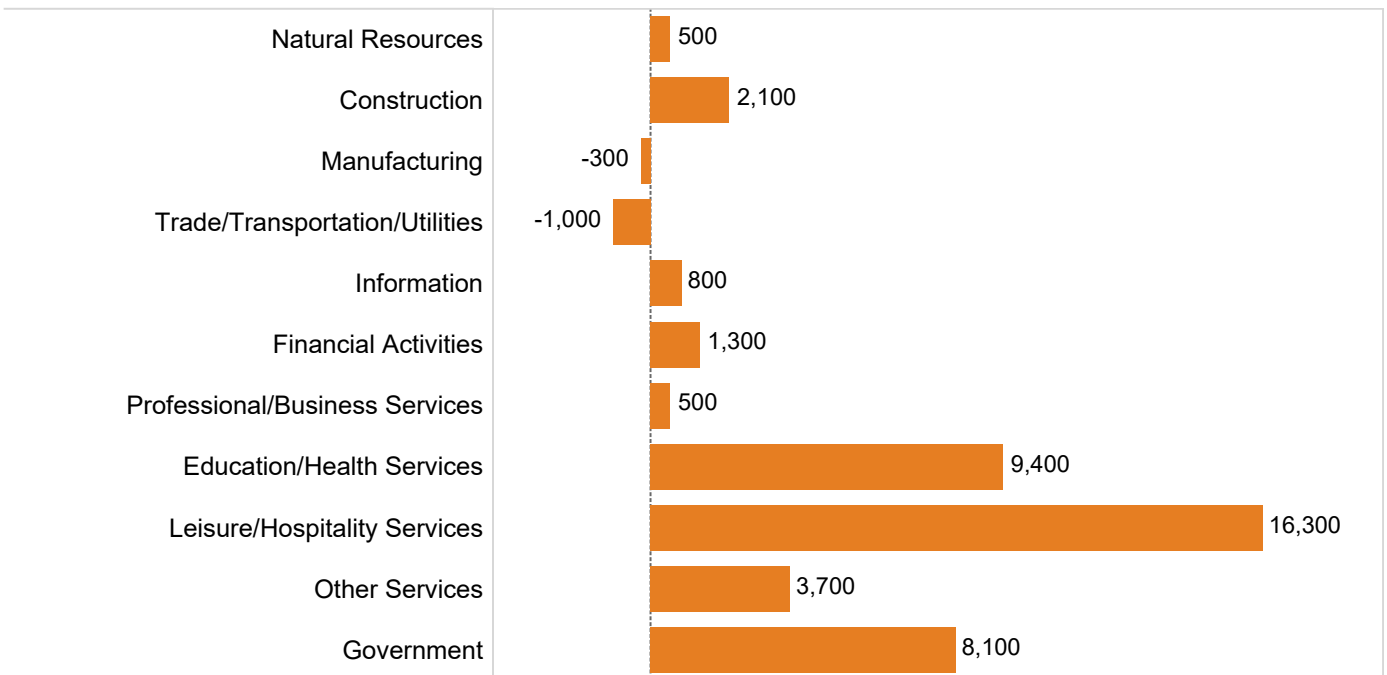


Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

Utah Nonfarm Industry Profiles August 2022 - 2023 Percent Change



Numeric Change



Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

NONFARM EMPLOYMENT IN UTAH'S COUNTIES

	August 2023 <i>Estimate</i>	August 2022 <i>Actual</i>	Percent Change	July 2023 <i>Estimate</i>	June 2023 <i>Estimate</i>
BEAVER	2,405	2,398	0.3	2,401	2,533
BOX ELDER	23,613	23,282	1.4	23,411	23,514
CACHE	65,595	64,794	1.2	65,338	67,656
CARBON	8,965	8,924	0.5	8,788	8,955
DAGGETT	512	514	-0.4	552	565
DAVIS	142,337	140,997	1.0	142,059	142,177
DUCHESNE	8,449	8,159	3.6	8,454	8,774
EMERY	3,648	3,501	4.2	3,662	3,742
GARFIELD	3,071	3,067	0.1	3,075	3,095
GRAND	7,565	7,466	1.3	7,616	7,781
IRON	23,962	22,992	4.2	23,766	24,085
JUAB	4,301	4,124	4.3	4,271	4,292
KANE	4,365	4,343	0.5	4,377	4,328
MILLARD	4,715	4,690	0.5	4,799	4,866
MORGAN	2,985	2,856	4.5	2,947	2,955
PIUTE	276	292	-5.5	274	285
RICH	1,260	1,263	-0.2	1,301	1,287
SALT LAKE	806,697	790,048	2.1	803,623	802,524
SAN JUAN	4,489	4,444	1.0	4,327	4,621
SANPETE	9,566	9,403	1.7	9,446	9,821
SEVIER	9,727	9,612	1.2	9,754	9,989
SUMMIT	29,785	28,369	5.0	29,685	30,561
TOOELE	19,499	19,436	0.3	19,236	19,552
UINTAH	14,131	13,640	3.6	14,075	14,125
UTAH	303,108	297,575	1.9	299,318	301,450
WASATCH	12,309	11,985	2.7	12,252	12,317
WASHINGTON	84,001	80,665	4.1	82,036	83,154
WAYNE	1,329	1,322	0.5	1,324	1,317
WEBER	120,705	118,527	1.8	120,605	120,008

Note: Numbers have been left unrounded for convenience rather than to denote accuracy.

Note: County employment estimates are assessed independently of the statewide estimate.

Note: Employment numbers are not seasonally adjusted. Therefore, comparisons of employment levels from one month to the next should not be used as job creation/loss estimates between those months. Seasonal factors could be the reason. For example, employment levels in September are usually higher than in August, as school employment resumes.

Source: Utah Department of Workforce Services, Workforce Research and Analysis, 9/15/2023