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UTAH'S EMPLOYMENT SUMMARY: July 2026

SALT LAKE CITY (August 21, 2026) — Utah's nonfarm payroll employment for July 2026 increased an estimated 1.4% across the past 12 months, with the state's economy adding a cumulative 25,200 jobs since July 2025. Utah's current job count stands at 1,778,300.

July's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate is estimated at 3.6%, unchanged from its level in June. Approximately 64,800 Utahns are unemployed. The July national unemployment rate is estimated at 4.1%, a tenth of a percentage point below its level in June.

"Utah's labor market continues to show resilience through robust job growth and low unemployment," said Ben Crabb, chief economist with the Department of Workforce Services. "Even as constrained hiring rates and slowing labor force growth present clear headwinds, employers across major industrial sectors continue to expand payrolls."

Utah's July private sector employment recorded a year-over-year expansion of 1.9%, or a 28,900-job increase. Eight of the 10 major private-sector industry groups posted net year-over-year job gains. The overall gains are led by professional and business services (11,400 jobs), education and health services (5,900 jobs), and construction (4,300 jobs). Information (-2,000 jobs) and natural resources (-300 jobs) experienced the largest year-over-year job losses.

- Additional analysis and tables at <https://jobs.utah.gov/wi/update/index.html>
- County unemployment rates for July will post on or shortly after August 24, 2026, at <https://jobs.utah.gov/wi/update/une/season.pdf>
- Statistics generated by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, Washington, D.C., modeled from monthly employer (employment) and household (unemployment) surveys.
- Listen to Chief Economist Ben Crabb's analysis of the July 2026 employment report here: soundcloud.com/utahdws/utah-employment-report-july-2026.

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Labor Market Indicators July 2026

Utah

Employment Year-Over % Change: 1.4%

Employment # Change: 25,200

Unemployment Rate: 3.6%

United States

Employment Year-Over % Change: 0.2%

Unemployment Rate: 4.1%

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

Utah Nonagricultural Jobs by Industry and Components of the Labor Force

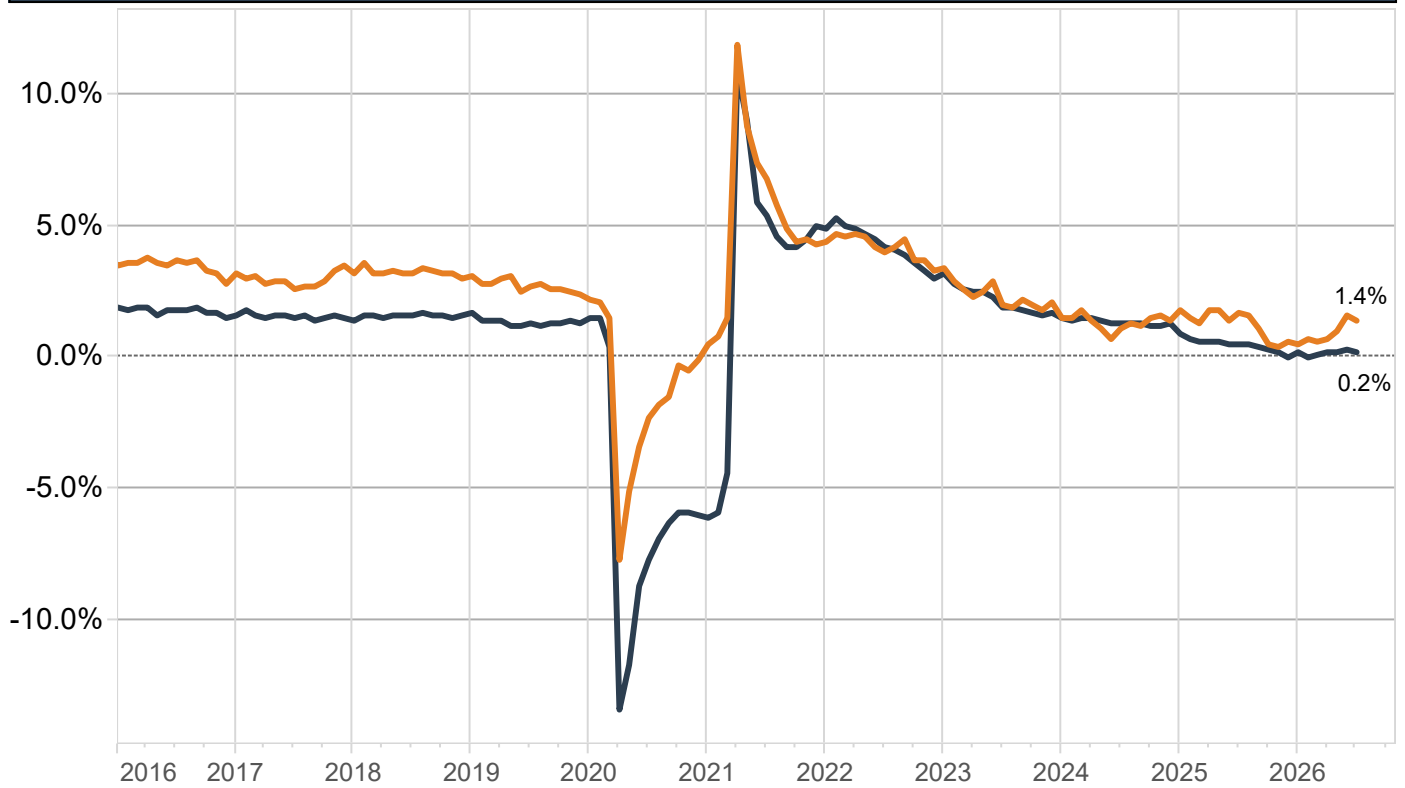
Numbers are in thousands	July (p) 2026	July 2025	Percentage Change	June (r) 2026	June 2025	Percentage Change
CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE (seasonally-adjusted)	1,822.6	1,838.3	-0.9	1,822.2	1,837.6	-0.8
Employed	1,757.8	1,773.4	-0.9	1,756.0	1,773.5	-1.0
Unemployed	64.8	65.0	-0.3	66.2	64.1	3.3
Unemployment Rate	3.6	3.5		3.6	3.5	
NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT (Thousands)	1,778.3	1,753.1	1.4	1,791.7	1,764.0	1.6
Not seasonally-adjusted						
PRIVATE SECTOR	1,519.3	1,490.4	1.9	1,514.7	1,486.7	1.9
GOODS PRODUCING	315.6	310.7	1.6	313.5	311.0	0.8
Natural Resources and Mining	11.0	11.3	-2.7	10.9	11.3	-3.5
Construction	149.2	144.9	3.0	148.1	145.2	2.0
Construction of Buildings	33.2	32.0	3.8	33.0	31.7	4.1
Heavy and Civil Engineering	14.2	13.7	3.6	13.8	13.8	0.0
Specialty Trade Contractors	101.8	99.2	2.6	101.3	99.7	1.6
Manufacturing	155.4	154.5	0.6	154.5	154.5	0.0
Durable Goods	98.7	98.2	0.5	98.1	98.3	-0.2
Computer and Electronic Products	13.9	13.9	0.0	13.8	13.8	0.0
Transportation and Equipment Manufacturing	20.0	19.5	2.6	19.7	19.5	1.0
Non-Durable Goods	56.7	56.3	0.7	56.4	56.2	0.4
SERVICES PROVIDING	1,462.7	1,442.4	1.4	1,478.2	1,453.0	1.7
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	312.7	310.7	0.6	311.6	310.3	0.4
Wholesale Trade	61.3	60.7	1.0	60.8	61.0	-0.3
Retail Trade	173.7	173.8	-0.1	173.3	173.3	0.0
Motor Vehicle and Parts Dealers	24.2	24.6	-1.6	24.3	24.4	-0.4
Food and Beverage Stores	27.8	27.8	0.0	27.8	28.0	-0.7
General Merchandise Stores	37.1	36.0	3.1	36.3	35.6	2.0
Transportation and Utilities	77.7	76.2	2.0	77.5	76.0	2.0
Utilities	5.2	5.1	2.0	5.2	5.2	0.0
Transportation & Warehousing	72.5	71.1	2.0	72.3	70.8	2.1
Air Transportation	10.1	9.4	7.4	10.2	9.2	10.9
Truck Transportation	20.9	21.2	-1.4	20.8	21.2	-1.9
Couriers and Messengers	19.3	18.6	3.8	19.1	18.7	2.1
Information	41.0	43.0	-4.7	40.9	42.4	-3.5
Motion Picture and Sound Recording	6.0	6.8	-11.8	6.0	6.6	-9.1
Publishing Industries	19.3	20.0	-3.5	19.4	19.7	-1.5
Telecommunications	4.2	4.5	-6.7	4.2	4.5	-6.7
Internet Service Providers	7.8	8.2	-4.9	7.8	8.1	-3.7
Financial Activities	103.1	101.0	2.1	103.2	100.4	2.8
Finance and Insurance	75.7	74.5	1.6	75.3	74.3	1.3
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	27.4	26.5	3.4	27.9	26.1	6.9
Professional and Business Services	264.1	252.7	4.5	263.8	251.7	4.8
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	138.8	133.8	3.7	138.3	132.5	4.4
Legal Services	11.7	11.2	4.5	11.7	11.1	5.4
Architectural, Engineering, and Related	23.2	21.5	7.9	23.0	21.3	8.0
Computer Systems Design and Related	35.5	35.0	1.4	35.0	34.6	1.2
Management of Companies and Enterprises	24.7	23.8	3.8	24.5	24.1	1.7
Administrative and Waste Services	100.6	95.1	5.8	101.0	95.1	6.2
Education and Health Services	250.5	244.6	2.4	250.6	243.9	2.7
Educational Services	52.3	50.3	4.0	53.1	50.3	5.6
Health Services and Social Assistance	198.2	194.3	2.0	197.5	193.6	2.0
Ambulatory Health Care Services	86.3	86.3	0.0	86.5	86.3	0.2
Hospitals	45.3	43.7	3.7	45.0	43.6	3.2
Nursing and Residential Care Facilities	34.0	32.4	4.9	33.7	32.6	3.4
Social Assistance	32.6	31.4	3.8	32.3	31.1	3.9
Leisure and Hospitality	184.3	180.3	2.2	183.0	180.0	1.7
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	35.3	34.2	3.2	34.6	33.6	3.0
Accommodation and Food Services	149.0	146.1	2.0	148.4	146.4	1.4
Accommodation	25.0	24.1	3.7	24.5	23.5	4.3
Food Services and Drinking Places	124.0	122.0	1.6	123.9	122.9	0.8
Other Services	48.0	47.4	1.3	48.1	47.0	2.3
Government	259.0	262.7	-1.4	277.0	277.3	-0.1
Federal Government	36.9	41.0	-10.0	37.0	41.2	-10.2
Federal Defense	16.4	18.7	-12.3	16.4	18.8	-12.8
Other Federal Government	20.5	22.3	-8.1	20.6	22.4	-8.0
State Government	92.4	91.1	1.4	92.4	90.8	1.8
State Education	51.3	51.6	-0.6	51.8	52.0	-0.4
Other State Government	41.1	39.5	4.1	40.6	38.8	4.6
Local Government	129.7	130.6	-0.7	147.6	145.3	1.6
Local Education	59.7	62.6	-4.6	76.5	75.8	0.9
Other Local Government	70.0	68.0	2.9	71.1	69.5	2.3

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics: Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS); Current Employment Statistics (CES). August 21, 2026

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

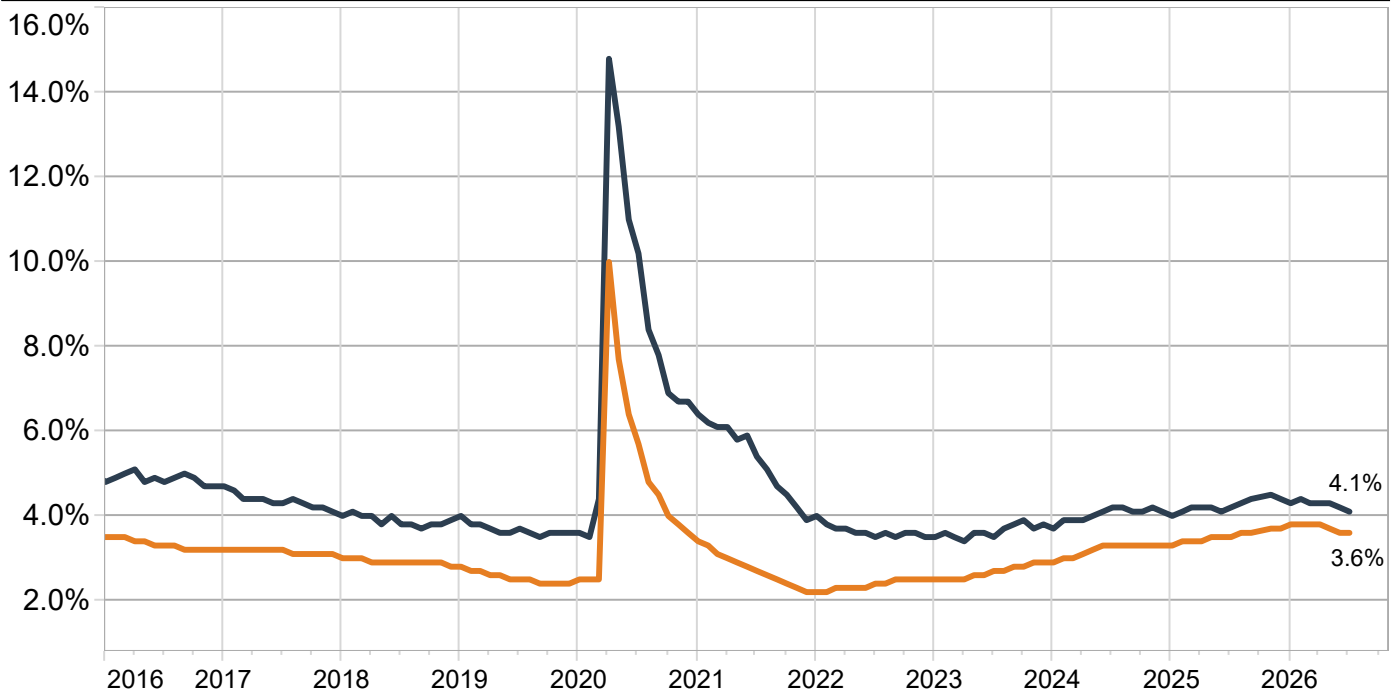
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Year-Over Percent Change In Nonfarm Jobs



Utah
US

Seasonally Adjusted Unemployment Rates

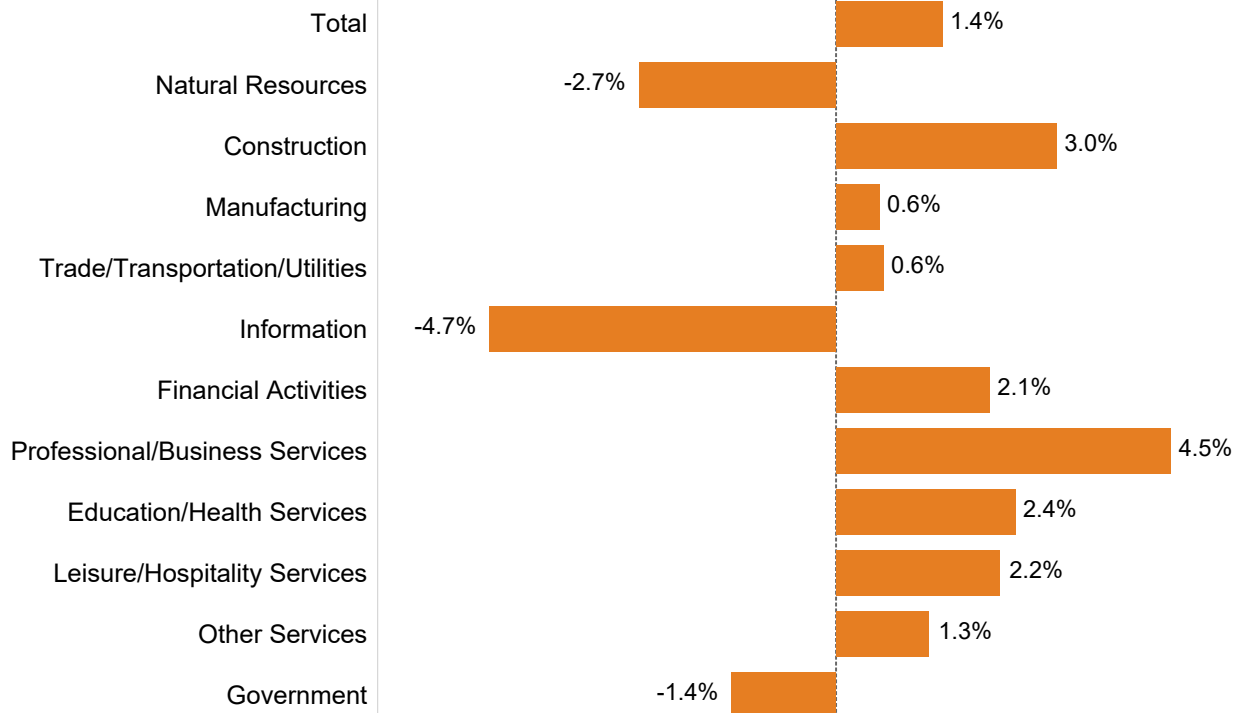


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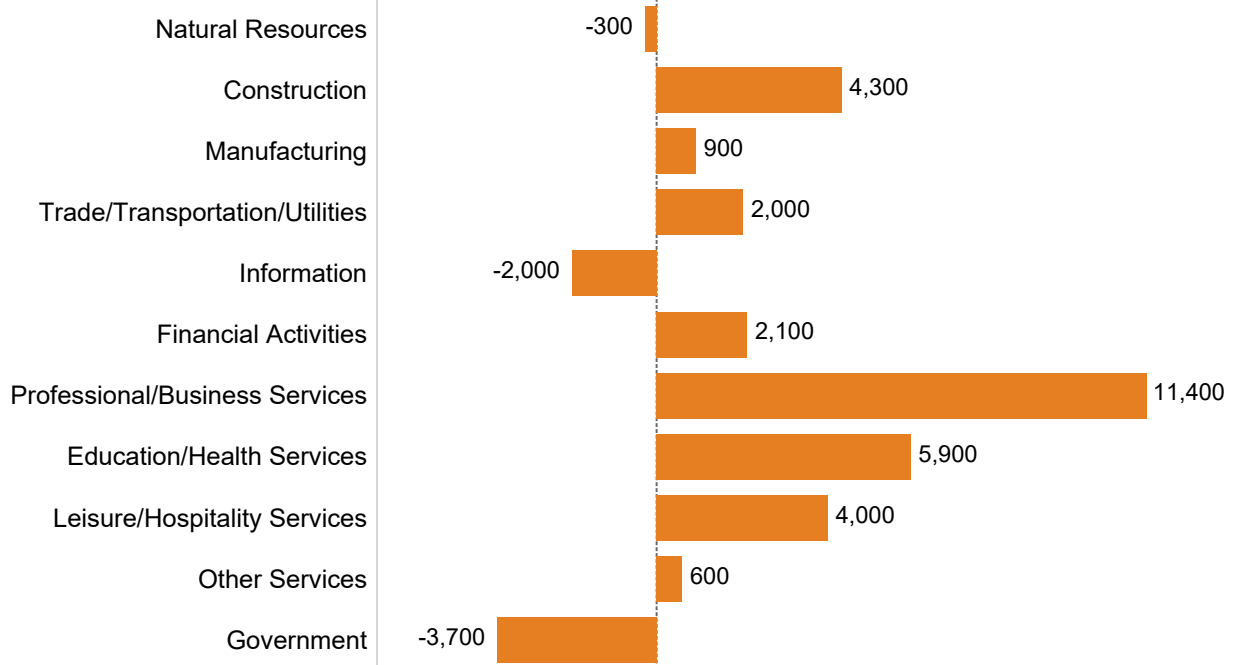
Utah Nonfarm Industry Profiles

July 2025 - 2026

Percent Change



Numeric Change



Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

NONFARM EMPLOYMENT IN UTAH'S COUNTIES

	July 2026 <i>Estimate</i>	July 2025 <i>Actual</i>	Percent Change	June 2026 <i>Estimate</i>	June 2025 <i>Actual</i>
BEAVER	3,142	3,000	4.7	3,237	3,142
BOX ELDER	24,012	24,562	(2.2)	24,213	24,878
CACHE	64,869	65,506	(1.0)	66,839	67,036
CARBON	8,808	8,986	(2.0)	8,963	9,294
DAGGETT	582	552	5.4	599	582
DAVIS	143,381	142,825	0.4	144,734	145,190
DUCHESNE	9,000	8,998	0.0	9,311	9,466
EMERY	3,649	3,789	(3.7)	3,663	3,627
GARFIELD	3,065	2,956	3.7	3,092	2,991
GRAND	7,288	7,270	0.2	7,489	7,606
IRON	26,210	25,732	1.9	26,251	25,717
JUAB	4,679	4,478	4.5	4,735	4,538
KANE	4,568	4,458	2.5	4,566	4,568
MILLARD	4,806	4,895	(1.8)	4,893	5,018
MORGAN	3,657	3,586	2.0	3,720	3,692
PIUTE	279	270	3.3	297	296
RICH	1,427	1,412	1.1	1,371	1,376
SALT LAKE	821,218	815,329	0.7	823,484	818,425
SAN JUAN	4,794	4,796	(0.0)	5,012	5,087
SANPETE	9,662	9,515	1.5	9,952	9,853
SEVIER	9,649	9,854	(2.1)	9,917	10,263
SUMMIT	31,377	31,299	0.2	30,706	30,662
TOOELE	20,595	20,141	2.3	20,599	20,099
UINTAH	15,113	15,789	(4.3)	15,297	16,187
UTAH	315,791	309,162	2.1	320,008	313,539
WASATCH	13,336	12,835	3.9	13,369	12,860
WASHINGTON	91,074	87,714	3.8	92,270	88,832
WAYNE	1,425	1,371	3.9	1,453	1,393
WEBER	124,719	125,421	(0.6)	124,786	125,114

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, 8/21/2026