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UTAH'S EMPLOYMENT SUMMARY: September 2020

SALT LAKE CITY — Utah's nonfarm payroll employment for September 2020 has contracted by an estimated 0.9% across the past 12 months, with 14,800 fewer jobs. Utah's current employment level stands at 1,559,600. Utah's August year-over job change has not been revised and remains at -1.6%.

September's seasonally-adjusted unemployment rate is estimated at 5.0%, with approximately 82,800 Utahns unemployed. Utah's August unemployment rate is unchanged at 4.1%. The national unemployment rate for September lowered from August's 8.4% to 7.9%.

Labor Market Indicators  
September 2020

**Utah**

Employment Year-Over % Change: -0.9%  
Employment # Change: -14,800  
Unemployment Rate: 5.0%

**United States**

Employment Year-Over % Change: -6.4%  
Unemployment Rate: 7.9%

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

“Despite what the unemployment rate uptick may construe, Utah's economic rebound continues,” reported Mark Knold, Chief Economist at the Department of Workforce Services. “Jobs continue working their way back across nearly all industry sectors; some faster than others. The unemployment rate rise, in part, reflects both people expiring their unemployment benefits and becoming aggressive in searching for a job. This increased job-search activity is reflected in the labor force participation rate, as it increased by more than a full percentage point over last month. More people are finding work and more people are looking for work.”

Utah's September private sector employment recorded a year-over decline of -1.3%, an improvement above August's revised -1.8% deficit. Four of 10 private-sector major industry groups posted net year-over job gains in September. These are observed in Construction (7,500 jobs); Trade, Transportation and Utilities (6,900 jobs); Other Services (3,300 jobs); and Financial Activities (2,900 jobs). Six industry groups continue with year-over employment declines. These were most impactful in Leisure and Hospitality Services (-24,300 jobs); Education and Health Services (-5,200); and Professional and Business Services (-4,500 jobs).

- \* Additional analysis and tables at <https://jobs.utah.gov/wi/update/index.html>
- \* County unemployment rates for September will be posted on or shortly after October 19, 2020, at <https://jobs.utah.gov/wi/update/une/season.pdf>
- \* October employment information will be released at 7:00 a.m. on Friday, November 20, 2020.

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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## Utah Nonagricultural Jobs by Industry and Components of the Labor Force

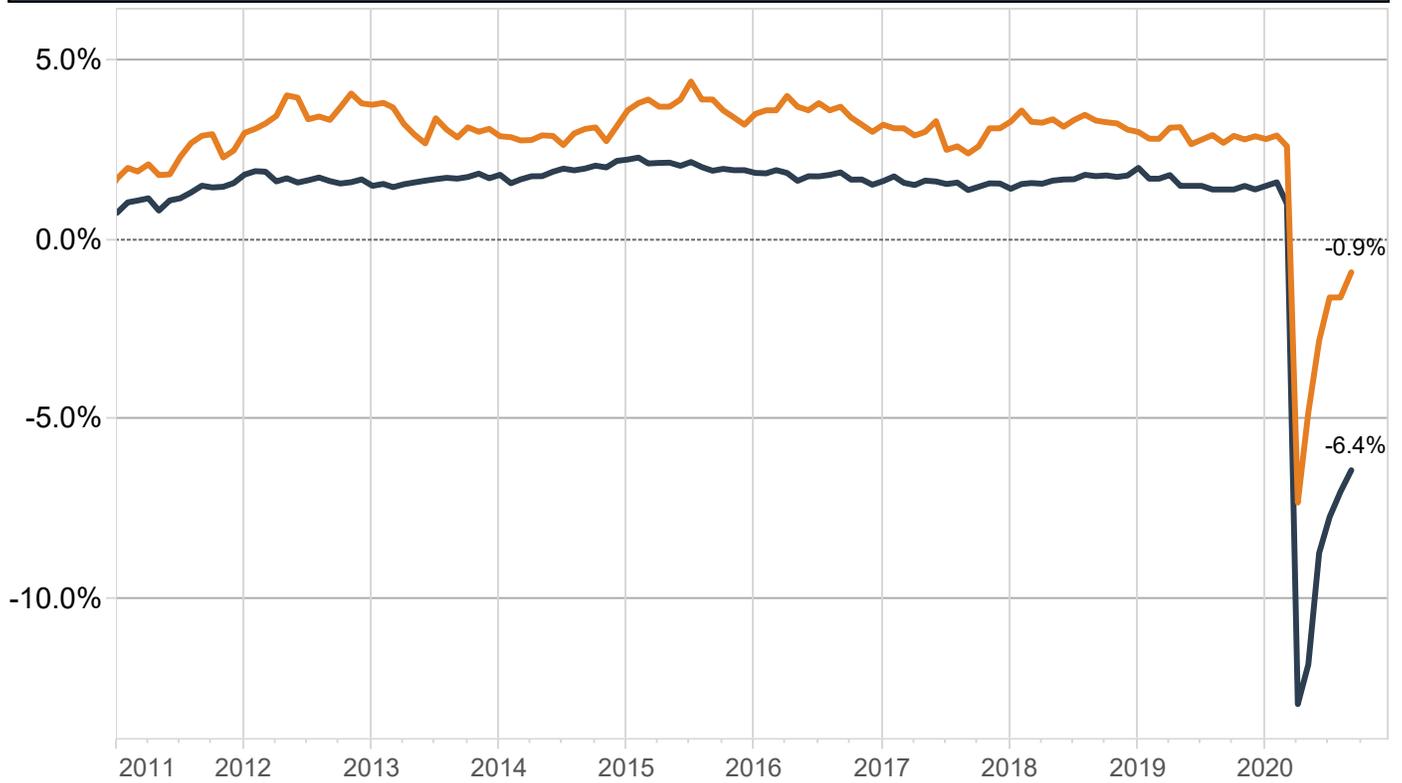
Numbers are in thousands	September (p) 2020	September (r) 2019	Percentage Change	August (r) 2020	August (r) 2019	Percentage Change
<b>CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE (seasonally-adjusted)</b>	<b>1,663.4</b>	<b>1,619.0</b>	<b>2.7</b>	<b>1,625.6</b>	<b>1,614.4</b>	<b>0.7</b>
Employed	1,580.6	1,579.3	0.1	1,559.2	1,574.1	-0.9
Unemployed	82.8	39.7	108.6	66.3	40.3	64.5
Unemployment Rate	5.0	2.5		4.1	2.5	
<b>NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT (Thousands)</b>	<b>1,559.6</b>	<b>1,574.4</b>	<b>-0.9</b>	<b>1,534.6</b>	<b>1,559.3</b>	<b>-1.6</b>
Not seasonally-adjusted						
<b>PRIVATE SECTOR</b>	<b>1,299.9</b>	<b>1,317.0</b>	<b>-1.3</b>	<b>1,296.1</b>	<b>1,319.4</b>	<b>-1.8</b>
<b>GOODS PRODUCING</b>	<b>264.5</b>	<b>259.8</b>	<b>1.8</b>	<b>267.0</b>	<b>261.1</b>	<b>2.3</b>
<b>Natural Resources and Mining</b>	<b>8.4</b>	<b>9.5</b>	<b>-11.6</b>	<b>8.5</b>	<b>9.6</b>	<b>-11.5</b>
<b>Construction</b>	<b>120.3</b>	<b>112.8</b>	<b>6.6</b>	<b>122.0</b>	<b>113.7</b>	<b>7.3</b>
Construction of Buildings	26.9	22.8	18.0	26.8	23.2	15.5
Heavy and Civil Engineering	11.6	11.6	0.0	12.2	11.7	4.3
Specialty Trade Contractors	81.8	78.4	4.3	83.0	78.8	5.3
<b>Manufacturing</b>	<b>135.8</b>	<b>137.5</b>	<b>-1.2</b>	<b>136.5</b>	<b>137.8</b>	<b>-0.9</b>
<b>Durable Goods</b>	<b>87.1</b>	<b>89.6</b>	<b>-2.8</b>	<b>87.8</b>	<b>89.9</b>	<b>-2.3</b>
Computer and Electronic Products	13.8	13.5	2.2	13.5	13.6	-0.7
Transportation and Equipment Manufacturing	15.0	14.9	0.7	15.1	14.9	1.3
<b>Non-Durable Goods</b>	<b>48.7</b>	<b>47.9</b>	<b>1.7</b>	<b>48.7</b>	<b>47.9</b>	<b>1.7</b>
<b>SERVICES PROVIDING</b>	<b>1,295.1</b>	<b>1,314.6</b>	<b>-1.5</b>	<b>1,267.6</b>	<b>1,298.2</b>	<b>-2.4</b>
<b>Trade, Transportation, and Utilities</b>	<b>297.3</b>	<b>290.4</b>	<b>2.4</b>	<b>296.0</b>	<b>291.1</b>	<b>1.7</b>
<b>Wholesale Trade</b>	<b>54.5</b>	<b>52.3</b>	<b>4.2</b>	<b>54.2</b>	<b>52.8</b>	<b>2.7</b>
<b>Retail Trade</b>	<b>180.1</b>	<b>172.2</b>	<b>4.6</b>	<b>179.3</b>	<b>172.5</b>	<b>3.9</b>
Motor Vehicle and Parts Dealers	23.8	24.3	-2.1	23.5	24.4	-3.7
Food and Beverage Stores	25.2	25.3	-0.4	25.3	25.3	0.0
General Merchandise Stores	32.4	29.3	10.6	33.2	29.3	13.3
<b>Transportation and Utilities</b>	<b>62.7</b>	<b>65.9</b>	<b>-4.9</b>	<b>62.5</b>	<b>65.8</b>	<b>-5.0</b>
Utilities	3.7	3.8	-2.6	3.7	3.8	-2.6
Transportation & Warehousing	59.0	62.1	-5.0	58.8	62.0	-5.2
Air Transportation	5.4	7.7	-29.9	5.3	7.5	-29.3
Truck Transportation	22.2	22.6	-1.8	22.2	22.8	-2.6
Couriers and Messengers	13.7	11.2	22.3	13.7	11.1	23.4
<b>Information</b>	<b>39.3</b>	<b>40.2</b>	<b>-2.2</b>	<b>39.2</b>	<b>40.6</b>	<b>-3.4</b>
Publishing Industries	15.1	14.4	4.9	15.0	14.5	3.4
Motion Picture and Sound Recording	2.5	5.5	-54.5	2.5	5.8	-56.9
Telecommunications	7.7	7.6	1.3	7.6	7.6	0.0
Internet Service Providers	5.9	5.7	3.5	5.9	5.8	1.7
<b>Financial Activities</b>	<b>93.6</b>	<b>90.7</b>	<b>3.2</b>	<b>93.3</b>	<b>91.8</b>	<b>1.6</b>
Finance and Insurance	71.5	68.9	3.8	71.2	69.5	2.4
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	22.1	21.8	1.4	22.1	22.3	-0.9
<b>Professional and Business Services</b>	<b>222.4</b>	<b>226.9</b>	<b>-2.0</b>	<b>221.5</b>	<b>227.9</b>	<b>-2.8</b>
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	113.9	109.9	3.6	114.1	110.5	3.3
Architectural, Engineering, and Related	15.9	16.0	-0.6	16.0	16.2	-1.2
Computer Systems Design and Related	28.0	28.7	-2.4	28.0	29.0	-3.4
Management of Companies and Enterprises	19.9	20.5	-2.9	20.0	20.5	-2.4
Administration & Support						
& Waste Management & Remediation	88.6	96.5	-8.2	87.4	96.9	-9.8
Employment Services	24.4	30.5	-20.0	23.6	30.1	-21.6
Business Support Services	16.0	18.2	-12.1	15.6	18.1	-13.8
<b>Education and Health Services</b>	<b>206.4</b>	<b>211.6</b>	<b>-2.5</b>	<b>201.6</b>	<b>205.0</b>	<b>-1.7</b>
Educational Services	44.9	50.2	-10.6	41.2	43.1	-4.4
Health Services and Social Assistance	161.5	161.4	0.1	160.4	161.9	-0.9
Ambulatory Health Care Services	62.7	63.8	-1.7	62.2	64.0	-2.8
Hospitals	39.6	39.7	-0.3	39.4	39.6	-0.5
Nursing and Residential Care Facilities	29.6	29.1	1.7	29.4	29.2	0.7
Social Assistance	29.6	28.8	2.8	29.4	29.1	1.0
<b>Leisure and Hospitality</b>	<b>130.7</b>	<b>155.0</b>	<b>-15.7</b>	<b>132.6</b>	<b>158.3</b>	<b>-16.2</b>
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	13.9	25.7	-45.9	14.5	27.0	-46.3
Accommodation and Food Services	116.8	129.3	-9.7	118.1	131.3	-10.1
Accommodation	17.7	22.2	-20.3	18.2	22.8	-20.2
Food Services and Drinking Places	99.1	107.1	-7.5	99.9	108.5	-7.9
<b>Other Services</b>	<b>45.7</b>	<b>42.4</b>	<b>7.8</b>	<b>44.9</b>	<b>43.6</b>	<b>3.0</b>
<b>Government</b>	<b>259.7</b>	<b>257.4</b>	<b>0.9</b>	<b>238.5</b>	<b>239.9</b>	<b>-0.6</b>
<b>Federal Government</b>	<b>41.2</b>	<b>37.5</b>	<b>9.9</b>	<b>41.7</b>	<b>37.7</b>	<b>10.6</b>
Federal Defense	18.1	18.0	0.6	18.1	17.9	1.1
Other Federal Government	23.1	19.5	18.5	23.6	19.8	19.2
<b>State Government</b>	<b>85.8</b>	<b>87.0</b>	<b>-1.4</b>	<b>80.4</b>	<b>80.9</b>	<b>-0.6</b>
State Schools	51.8	53.2	-2.6	46.4	47.2	-1.7
Other State Government	34.0	33.8	0.6	34.0	33.7	0.9
<b>Local Government</b>	<b>132.7</b>	<b>132.9</b>	<b>-0.2</b>	<b>116.4</b>	<b>121.3</b>	<b>-4.0</b>
Local Education	74.3	72.6	2.3	57.4	60.3	-4.8
Other Local Government	58.4	60.3	-3.2	59.0	61.0	-3.3

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics: Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS); Current Employment Statistics (CES). October 16, 2020

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

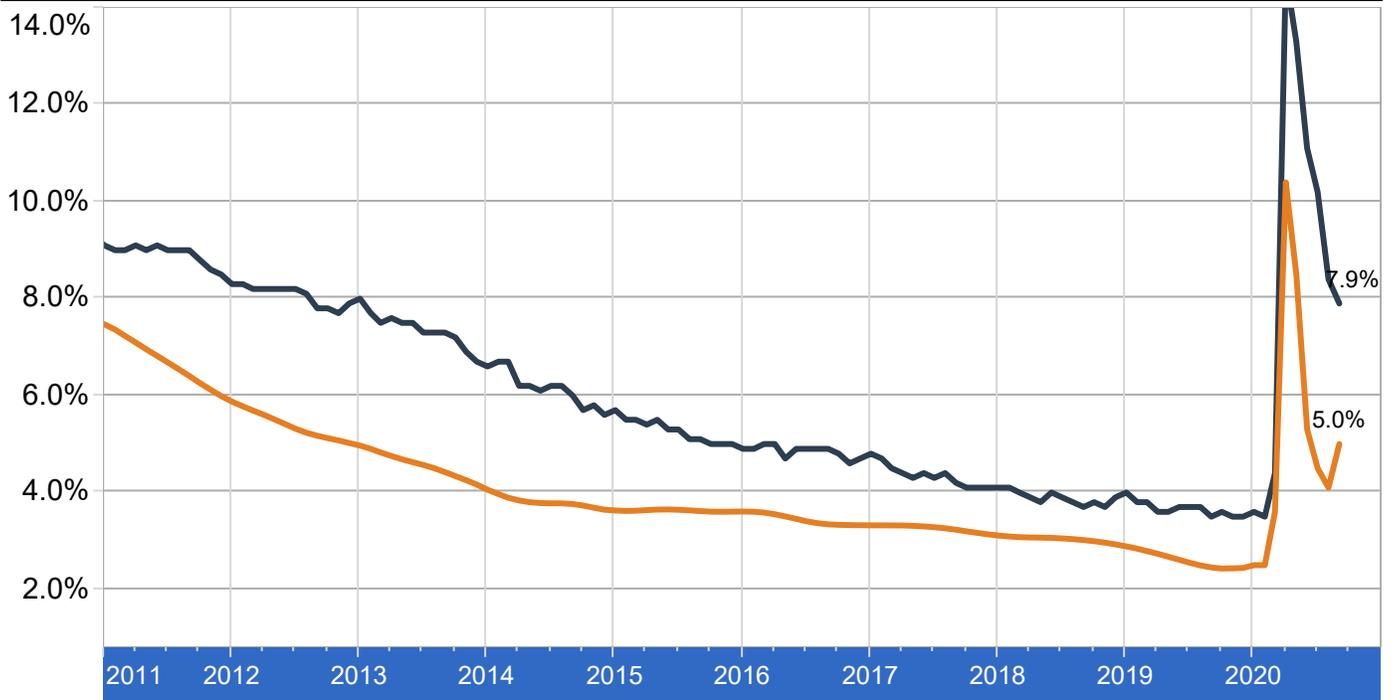
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## Year-Over Percent Change In Nonfarm Jobs



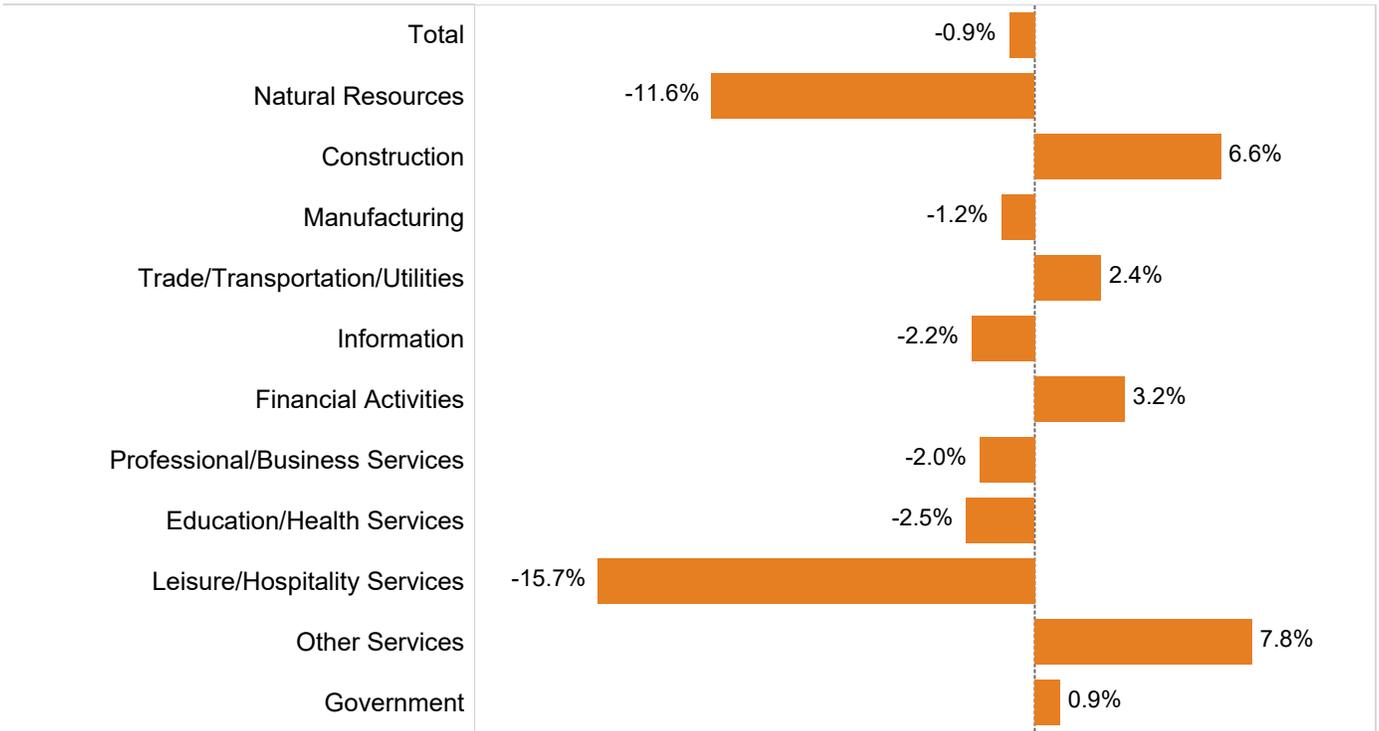
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## Seasonally Adjusted Unemployment Rates

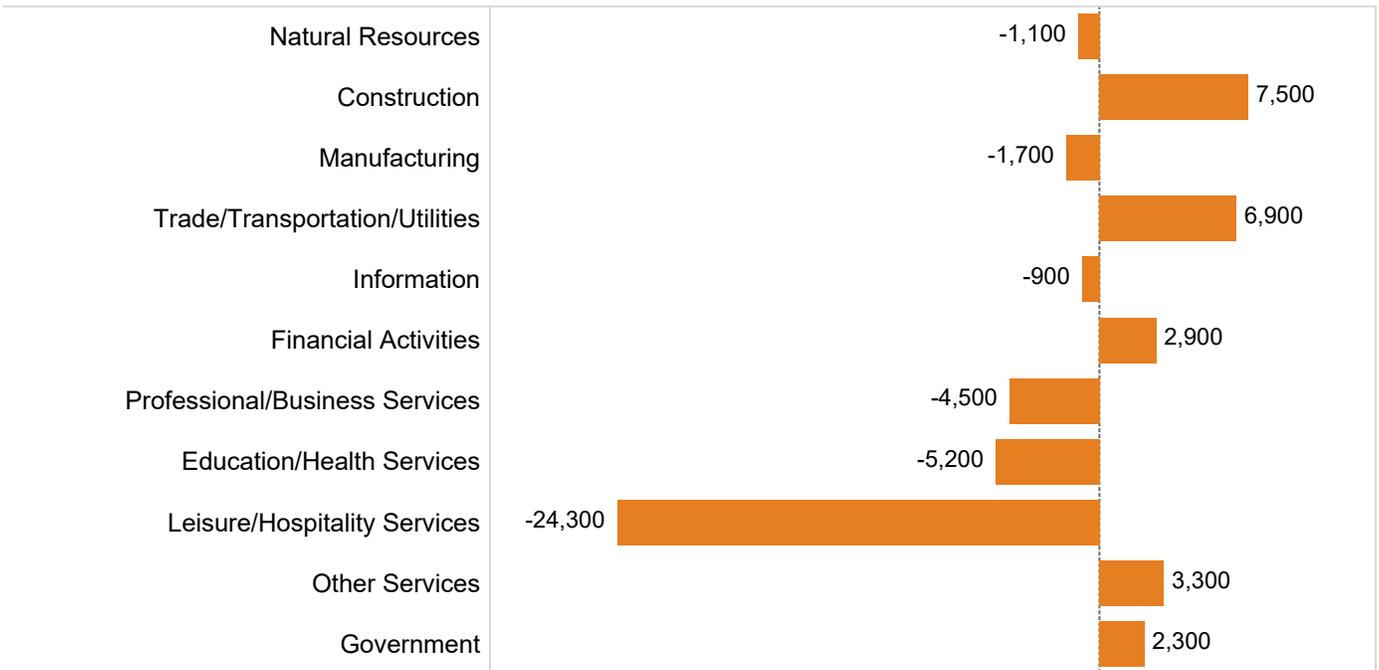


Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

## Utah Nonfarm Industry Profiles September 2019 - 2020 Percent Change



## Numeric Change



Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

## NONFARM EMPLOYMENT IN UTAH'S COUNTIES

	September 2020 <i>Estimate</i>	September 2019 <i>Actual</i>	Percent Change	August 2020 <i>Estimate</i>	July 2020 <i>Estimate</i>
<b>BEAVER</b>	2,303	2,333	-1.3	2,274	2,217
<b>BOX ELDER</b>	21,800	21,549	1.2	21,869	21,518
<b>CACHE</b>	61,956	62,532	-0.9	57,697	57,014
<b>CARBON</b>	8,777	9,054	-3.1	8,767	8,621
<b>DAGGETT</b>	458	464	-1.3	466	476
<b>DAVIS</b>	140,181	134,962	3.9	138,612	137,727
<b>DUCHESNE</b>	7,341	7,926	-7.4	7,250	7,312
<b>EMERY</b>	3,299	3,161	4.4	3,305	3,296
<b>GARFIELD</b>	2,582	2,766	-6.7	2,580	2,514
<b>GRAND</b>	6,403	6,606	-3.1	6,440	6,222
<b>IRON</b>	21,065	21,051	0.1	20,006	19,889
<b>JUAB</b>	3,772	3,757	0.4	3,724	3,616
<b>KANE</b>	3,857	3,873	-0.4	4,001	3,955
<b>MILLARD</b>	4,347	4,351	-0.1	4,374	4,359
<b>MORGAN</b>	2,658	2,598	2.3	2,658	2,591
<b>PIUTE</b>	275	280	-1.8	256	247
<b>RICH</b>	1,016	996	2.0	1,220	1,247
<b>SALT LAKE</b>	722,823	741,597	-2.5	706,933	703,526
<b>SAN JUAN</b>	4,229	4,635	-8.8	4,153	3,902
<b>SANPETE</b>	8,647	8,734	-1.0	8,298	8,249
<b>SEVIER</b>	9,024	9,090	-0.7	8,957	8,912
<b>SUMMIT</b>	22,887	26,517	-13.7	23,616	23,399
<b>TOOELE</b>	16,790	16,821	-0.2	16,858	16,708
<b>UINTAH</b>	11,897	13,079	-9.0	11,921	11,879
<b>UTAH</b>	268,635	271,167	-0.9	261,978	257,480
<b>WASATCH</b>	10,267	10,529	-2.5	10,136	10,071
<b>WASHINGTON</b>	70,073	71,764	-2.4	69,554	67,905
<b>WAYNE</b>	1,088	1,178	-7.7	1,120	1,119
<b>WEBER</b>	112,274	111,323	0.9	112,055	111,766

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

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, 10/15/2020