

Employment, average hourly earnings (AHE) for production & nonsupervisory employees, and unemployment, April 2022-April 2024

Employment (thousands); AHE (\$/hour) seasonally adjusted	Apr 2022	Apr 2023	May 2023	Jun 2023	Jul 2023	Aug 2023	Sep 2023	Oct 2023	Nov 2023	Dec 2023	Jan 2024	Feb 2024	Mar 2024	Apr 2024	Numerical change		Percent change	
															1-month	12-month	1-month	12-month
Employment: total nonfarm	151,642	155,484	155,787	156,027	156,211	156,421	156,667	156,832	157,014	157,304	157,560	157,796	158,111	158,286	175,000	2,802,000	0.1%	1.8%
Construction	7,704	7,961	7,977	8,010	8,021	8,052	8,065	8,087	8,102	8,120	8,146	8,170	8,210	8,219	9,000	258,000	0.1%	3.2%
Residential building	916.7	923.3	922.6	929.7	920.3	923.0	928.7	932.0	931.4	933.6	935.1	936.7	947.2	950.0	2,800	26,700	0.3%	2.9%
Nonresidential building	829.3	869.3	875.1	880.9	886.8	890.4	890.8	896.0	898.4	903.5	908.0	913.3	916.4	917.3	900	48,000	0.1%	5.5%
Heavy and civil engineering construction	1,065.9	1,104.3	1,100.9	1,111.5	1,118.2	1,124.6	1,128.0	1,129.7	1,131.5	1,134.7	1,135.1	1,142.7	1,146.0	1,146.3	300	42,000	0.0%	3.8%
Residential specialty trade contractors	2,292.1	2,358.5	2,363.9	2,373.5	2,381.9	2,381.3	2,387.0	2,394.1	2,390.0	2,394.0	2,398.3	2,396.7	2,409.1	2,407.4	-1,700	48,900	-0.1%	2.1%
Nonresidential specialty trade contractors	2,599.9	2,706.0	2,714.3	2,714.6	2,713.3	2,732.7	2,730.4	2,735.3	2,750.3	2,754.2	2,769.6	2,780.9	2,791.1	2,797.7	6,600	91,700	0.2%	3.4%
AHE: private	\$ 27.27	\$ 28.68	\$ 28.79	\$ 28.90	\$ 29.03	\$ 29.09	\$ 29.18	\$ 29.29	\$ 29.42	\$ 29.51	\$ 29.64	\$ 29.70	\$ 29.77	\$ 29.83	\$ 0.06	\$ 1.15	0.0%	0.0%
AHE: construction	\$ 31.81	\$ 33.90	\$ 33.98	\$ 34.09	\$ 34.27	\$ 34.49	\$ 34.55	\$ 34.67	\$ 34.96	\$ 34.98	\$ 35.30	\$ 35.23	\$ 35.40	\$ 35.47	\$ 0.07	\$ 1.57	0.0%	0.0%
Residential building + specialty trades	3,208.8	3,281.8	3,286.5	3,303.2	3,302.2	3,304.3	3,315.7	3,326.1	3,321.4	3,327.6	3,333.4	3,333.4	3,356.3	3,357.4	1,100	75,600	0.0%	2.3%
Nonres building + trades + heavy/civil	4,495.1	4,679.6	4,690.3	4,707.0	4,718.3	4,747.7	4,749.2	4,761.0	4,780.2	4,792.4	4,812.7	4,836.9	4,853.5	4,861.3	7,800	181,700	0.2%	3.9%
<b>12-month change</b>																		
Total nonfarm		3,842	3,859	3,679	3,173	3,140	3,131	2,935	2,859	3,013	2,787	2,736	2,905	2,802				
Construction		257	234	253	235	254	239	248	242	236	225	223	269	258				
Residential building + specialty trades		73.0	53.8	80.6	66.6	61.7	64.7	68.4	61.9	62.1	60.8	59.3	86.4	75.6				
Nonres building + trades + heavy/civil		184.5	179.8	172.9	167.6	192.6	174.7	179.7	179.8	173.5	163.9	164.5	182.6	181.7				
<b>12-month % change</b>																		
Total nonfarm		2.5%	2.5%	2.4%	2.1%	2.0%	2.0%	1.9%	1.9%	2.0%	1.8%	1.8%	1.9%	1.8%				
Construction		3.3%	3.0%	3.3%	3.0%	3.3%	3.1%	3.2%	3.1%	3.0%	2.8%	2.8%	3.4%	3.2%				
Residential building + specialty trades		2.3%	1.7%	2.5%	2.1%	1.9%	2.0%	2.1%	1.9%	1.9%	1.9%	1.8%	2.6%	2.3%				
Nonres building + trades + heavy/civil		4.1%	4.0%	3.8%	3.7%	4.2%	3.8%	3.9%	3.9%	3.8%	3.5%	3.5%	3.9%	3.9%				
<b>1-month change</b>																		
Total nonfarm	272	278	303	240	184	210	246	165	182	290	256	236	315	175				
Construction	0	20	16	33	11	31	13	22	15	18	26	24	40	9				
Residential building + specialty trades	-2.1	11.9	4.7	16.7	-1.0	2.1	11.4	10.4	-4.7	6.2	5.8	0.0	22.9	1.1				
Nonres building + trades + heavy/civil	1.7	8.7	10.7	16.7	11.3	29.4	1.5	11.8	19.2	12.2	20.3	24.2	16.6	7.8				
<b>1-month % change</b>																		
Total nonfarm	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%	0.1%	0.1%	0.2%	0.1%	0.1%	0.2%	0.2%	0.1%	0.2%	0.1%				
Construction	0.0%	0.3%	0.2%	0.4%	0.1%	0.4%	0.2%	0.3%	0.2%	0.2%	0.3%	0.3%	0.5%	0.1%				
Residential building + specialty trades	-0.1%	0.4%	0.1%	0.5%	0.0%	0.1%	0.3%	0.3%	-0.1%	0.2%	0.2%	0.0%	0.7%	0.0%				
Nonres building + trades + heavy/civil	0.0%	0.2%	0.2%	0.4%	0.2%	0.6%	0.0%	0.2%	0.4%	0.3%	0.4%	0.5%	0.3%	0.2%				
<b>AHE: production &amp; nonsupervisory employees</b>																		
12-mo % change: private sector		5.2%	5.1%	5.0%	5.0%	4.8%	4.7%	4.6%	4.6%	4.5%	4.7%	4.5%	4.2%	4.0%				
Construction		6.6%	5.7%	5.4%	5.7%	5.9%	5.3%	5.3%	5.8%	5.2%	5.6%	5.0%	4.9%	4.6%				
Construction premium	16.6%	18.2%	18.0%	18.0%	18.1%	18.6%	18.4%	18.4%	18.8%	18.5%	19.1%	18.6%	18.9%	18.9%				
<b>Construction unemployment (not seasonally adjusted)</b>																		
Number of unemployed workers	464	424	355	381	410	424	392	414	496	442	699	711	570	555				
Unemployment rate	4.6%	4.1%	3.5%	3.6%	3.9%	3.9%	3.8%	4.0%	4.8%	4.4%	6.9%	7.0%	5.4%	5.2%				
<b>12-month change</b>																		
% change in number of unemployed workers		-8.6%	-9.4%	-1.0%	14.2%	5.7%	13.3%	-1.2%	26.2%	-0.2%	-2.9%	0.4%	-4.7%	30.9%				
percentage point change in unemployment rate		-0.5%	-0.3%	-0.1%	0.4%	0.0%	0.4%	-0.1%	0.9%	0.0%	0.0%	0.4%	-0.2%	1.1%				