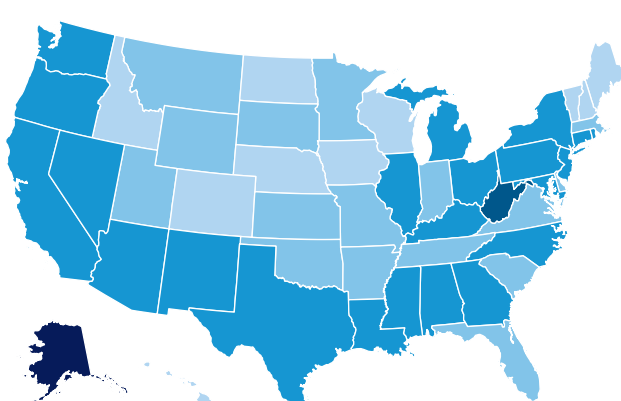
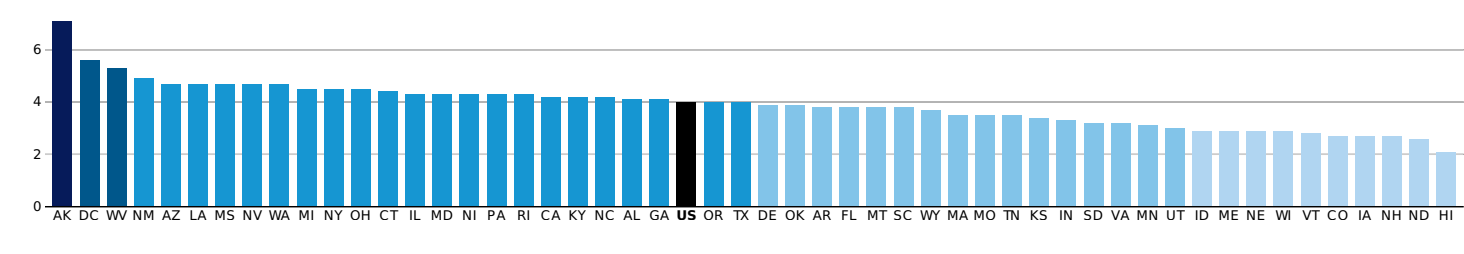


EMPLOYMENT

Breaking down state data on unemployment rates, total (nonfarm) payroll employment, and government employment.

Unemployment Rate (percent, seasonally adjusted)

The national unemployment rate was 4.0 percent as of June 2018.



Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics. (<http://www.bls.gov/news.release/laus.t03.htm>)

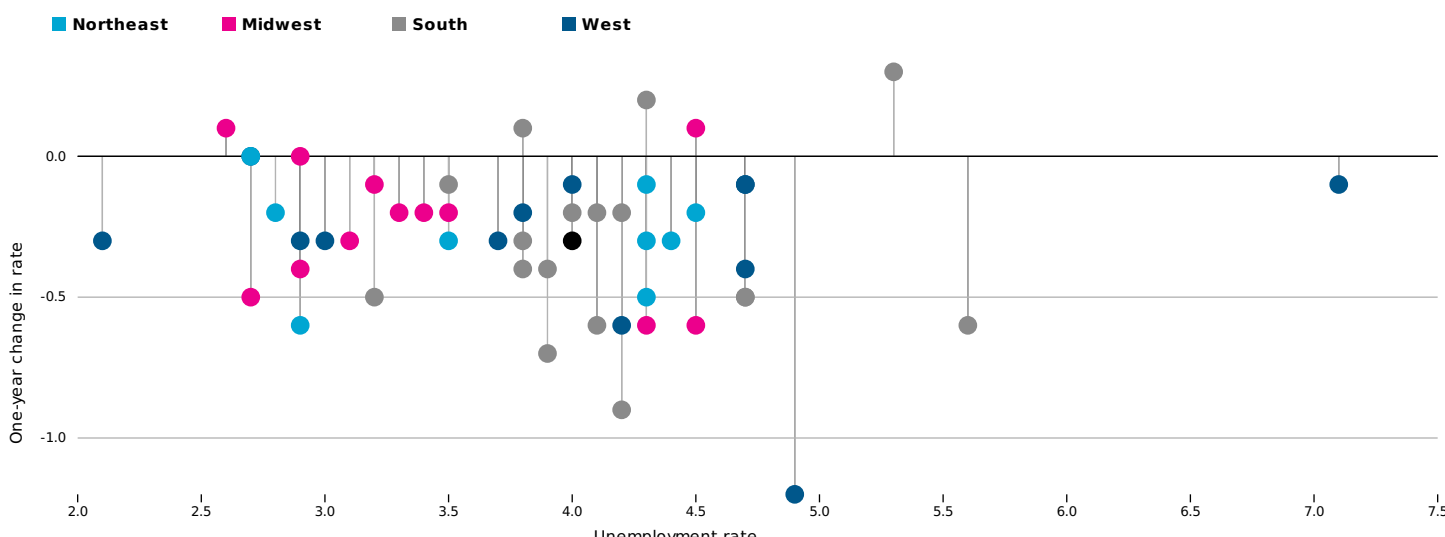
The national unemployment rate was 3.8 percent in May 2018. Hawaii's 2.0 percent unemployment rate was the lowest of any state. The May unemployment rate was below 3.0 percent in nine other states: Colorado, Idaho, Iowa, Maine, Nebraska, New Hampshire, North Dakota, Vermont, and Wisconsin. In total, the May unemployment rate was at or below 4.0 percent in 27 states.

Alaska's 7.2 percent rate was the highest of any state. The May unemployment rate was also greater than 5.0 percent in the District of Columbia (5.6 percent), West Virginia (5.4 percent), and New Mexico (5.1 percent).

Unemployment Rate: Level vs. One-Year Change

The national unemployment rate decreased 0.3 percentage points to a value of 4.0 percent between June 2017 and June 2018.

REGION/STATE: UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
 RATE: 4.0%
 CHANGE: -0.3 percentage points



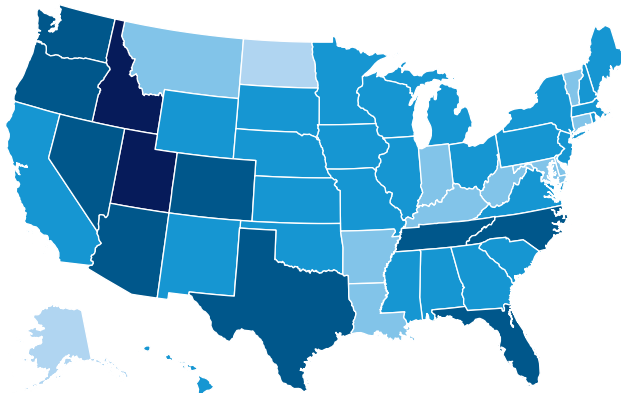
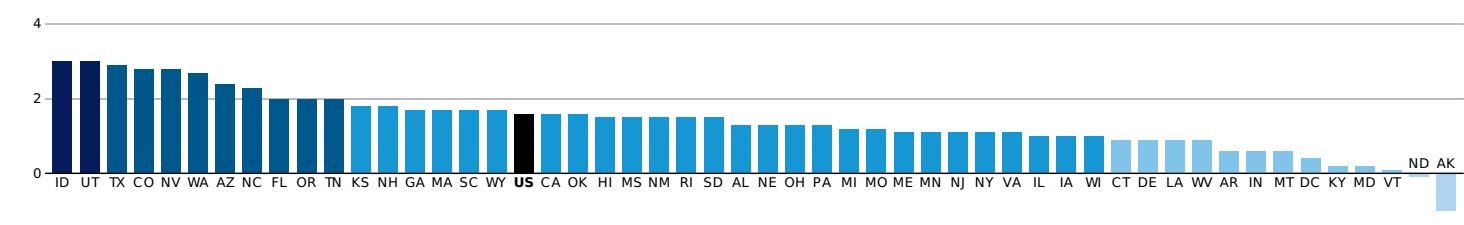
Source: Both datasets from the Bureau of Labor Statistics. (<http://www.bls.gov/news.release/laus.t03.htm>)

The national unemployment rate fell 0.3 percentage points between June 2017 and June 2018. The unemployment rate fell the most over the year in New Mexico (-1.2 percentage points) and Kentucky (-0.9 percentage points). The unemployment rate fell 0.5 percentage points or more in a total of 13 states and the District of Columbia.

The unemployment rate increased over the year in five states. The largest increase was in West Virginia, where the unemployment rate increased 0.3 percentage points. Arkansas, Maryland, Michigan, and North Dakota also saw their unemployment rates increase over the year.

Total Employment (percent change year over year)

Total (public and private) nonfarm payroll employment increased 1.6 percent from June 2017 to June 2018.



Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics. (<http://www.bls.gov/news.release/laus.t05.htm>)

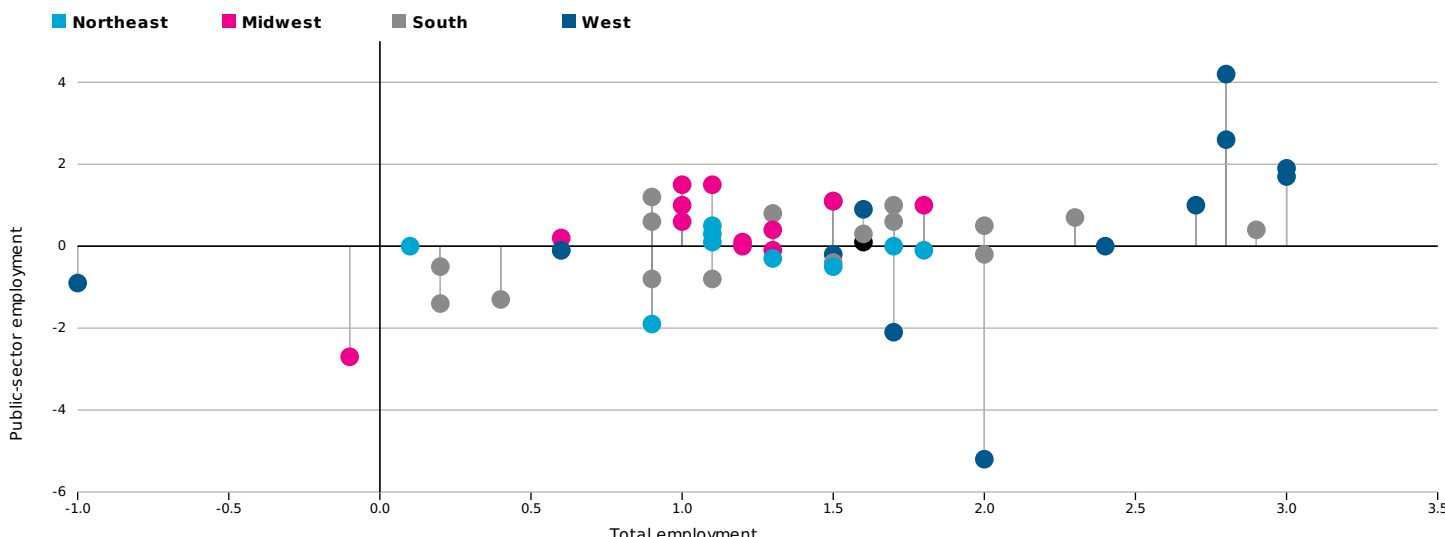
Total national (public and private) nonfarm payroll employment increased 1.6 percent from June 2017 to June 2018. Among the states, the largest year-over-year increases in total employment were in Idaho and Utah (both 3.0 percent). Total employment increased 2.0 percent or more in 11 states overall.

Total employment declined over the year in only two states: Alaska (-1.0 percent) and North Dakota (-0.1 percent).

Total Employment vs. Public Employment

Total public-sector employment increased 0.1 percent from June 2017 to June 2018, staying well below the 1.6 percent increase in total employment.

REGION/STATE: UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
 TOTAL: 1.6%
 PUBLIC: 0.1%



Source: Both datasets from the Bureau of Labor Statistics. (<http://www.bls.gov/news.release/laus.t05.htm>)

Nationally, total public-sector employment increased 0.1 percent from June 2017 to June 2018. Public employment increased the most in Nevada (4.2 percent) and Colorado (2.6 percent). Eleven other states saw public employment increase 1.0 percent or more over the year.

Public employment declined over the past year in 18 states and the District of Columbia. The largest declines were in Oregon (-5.2 percent), North Dakota (-2.7 percent), and Wyoming (-2.1 percent). Public employment also declined more than 1.0 percent in Connecticut, the District of Columbia, and Maryland.

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Note: The unemployment rate is from a US Bureau of Labor Statistics survey based on place of residence. The employment data are from a US Bureau of Labor Statistics survey based on place of work. All data are seasonally adjusted. This page is not comparable to the Bureau of Labor Statistics's press release, because that release as of June 2018 highlights only changes that are statistically significant.