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BLS Data: Wisconsin Adds 49,900 Private Sector Jobs Year-Over-Year, including 10,900 in June

State unemployment rate holds at a 15-year low of 4.2% and is 0.7 percentage points below US rate

MADISON – The Department of Workforce Development (DWD) today released the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) revisions for May and preliminary estimates for June covering employment and job statistics for the state of Wisconsin. In brief, the seasonally adjusted estimates show:

- Place of work data: Based on preliminary data, the state added a statistically significant 49,900 private sector jobs from June 2015 to June 2016, including a one-month gain of 10,900 jobs in June. Other significant changes include monthly and year-over-year increases in manufacturing at 2,300 and 6,600, respectively, a one-month increase in construction by 2,100 jobs, and a 12-month increase in total non-farm jobs at 47,800. Financial activities, and leisure and hospitality also saw significant increases over the month. Total nonfarm jobs grew by 5,300 over the month.
- Place of residence data: A preliminary seasonally adjusted unemployment rate of 4.2 percent in June 2016, unchanged from May and holding at its lowest rate since March 2001. The rate is lower than the national unemployment rate of 4.9 percent in June 2016. Wisconsin's labor force participation rate of 68.5 continues to outpace the U.S. rate of 62.7 percent in June.

"Over the past year, Wisconsin's private sector created 49,900 jobs, including 10,900 during June 2016, according to the latest monthly estimates," DWD Secretary Ray Allen said. "And while the national unemployment rate increased to 4.9 percent, Wisconsin's rate held at a 15-year low of 4.2 percent during June. As our state economy continues to grow, we need to keep our focus on ensuring Wisconsin employers have access to a robust talent pool to fill their labor market needs."

Other indicators of the state of Wisconsin's economy include:

- The unemployment rate in Wisconsin is lower than the national rate by 0.7 percentage points.
- Wisconsin was one of only 10 states with an annual average unemployment rate in 2015 lower than 2007, the year that the Great Recession began.
- Year 2016 initial UI claims are running at their lowest level since 1989.
- Continuing unemployment claims in Wisconsin are running the lowest in at least the past 30 years.
- Wisconsin's labor force participation rate outpaces the national rate by 5.8 percentage points.
- Wisconsin had the sixth-highest rate of growth in average weekly private sector wages from December 2014 to December 2015, according to Quarterly Census of Employment & Wages data.

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Wisconsin Employment and Unemployment Report
MAY – JUNE 2016

1. REVISIONS TO ESTIMATES FROM MAY 2016

Place of Residence Data	Seasonally Adjusted			Not Seasonally Adjusted		
	Prelim	Revised	Change	Prelim	Revised	Change
CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE	3,140,800	3,140,500	-300	3,109,900	3,109,200	-700
LABOR FORCE PARTICIPATION RATE	68.7%	68.7%	0.0%	68.0%	68.0%	0.0%
EMPLOYMENT (1)	3,008,100	3,007,800	-300	2,990,900	2,990,100	-800
UNEMPLOYMENT	132,700	132,700	0	119,000	119,100	100
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE	4.2%	4.2%	0.0%	3.8%	3.8%	0.0%
U.S. Unemployment Rate	4.7%	4.7%	0.0%	4.5%	4.5%	0.0%
Place of Work Data						
NONFARM WAGE & SALARY	2,931,300	2,927,100	-4,200	2,943,500	2,939,200	-4,300
TOTAL PRIVATE	2,520,400	2,514,100	-6,300	2,524,500	2,518,100	-6,400
GOODS PRODUCING	589,900	590,000	100	591,100	591,200	100
NATURAL RESOURCES & MINING	3,900	3,800	-100	4,000	3,900	-100
CONSTRUCTION	114,600	114,400	-200	117,200	117,000	-200
MANUFACTURING	471,400	471,800	400	469,900	470,300	400
Durable Goods	284,200	284,200	0	284,200	284,200	0
Nondurable Goods	187,200	187,600	400	185,700	186,100	400
SERVICE PROVIDING	2,341,400	2,337,100	-4,300	2,352,400	2,348,000	-4,400
PRIVATE SERVICE PROVIDING	1,930,500	1,924,100	-6,400	1,933,400	1,926,900	-6,500
TRADE	435,100	433,100	-2,000	431,100	429,200	-1,900
TRANS., WAREHOUSING, & UTILITIES	112,300	112,100	-200	112,400	112,200	-200
INFORMATION	49,100	49,000	-100	48,500	48,400	-100
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	152,100	151,900	-200	152,300	152,100	-200
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	313,600	313,600	0	312,400	312,400	0
EDUCATIONAL & HEALTH SERVICES	442,300	440,900	-1,400	443,700	442,300	-1,400
LEISURE & HOSPITALITY	276,800	274,600	-2,200	283,000	280,600	-2,400
OTHER SERVICES, except Public Admin.	149,200	148,900	-300	150,000	149,700	-300
GOVERNMENT	410,900	413,000	2,100	419,000	421,100	2,100
Federal Government	28,700	28,700	0	28,700	28,700	0
State Government	97,900	99,600	1,700	97,300	99,000	1,700
Local Government	284,300	284,700	400	293,000	293,400	400

2. MONTHLY ESTIMATES FOR JUNE 2016

Place of Residence Data	Jun-16 (P)	May-16 (R)	Net Change	Jun-16 (P)	May-16 (R)	Net Change
CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE	3,132,800	3,140,500	-7,700	3,167,600	3,109,200	58,400
LABOR FORCE PARTICIPATION RATE	68.5%	68.7%	-0.2%	69.3%	68.0%	1.3%
EMPLOYMENT (1)	3,001,700	3,007,800	-6,100	3,027,300	2,990,100	37,200
UNEMPLOYMENT	131,100	132,700	-1,600	140,300	119,100	21,200
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE	4.2%	4.2%	0.0%	4.4%	3.8%	0.6%
U.S. Unemployment Rate	4.9%	4.7%	0.2%	5.1%	4.5%	0.6%
Place of Work Data						
NONFARM WAGE & SALARY	2,932,400	2,927,100	5,300	2,973,100	2,939,200	33,900
TOTAL PRIVATE	2,525,000	2,514,100	10,900	2,570,900	2,518,100	52,800
GOODS PRODUCING	594,300	590,000	4,300	609,600	591,200	18,400
NATURAL RESOURCES & MINING	3,700	3,800	-100	4,000	3,900	100
CONSTRUCTION	116,500	114,400	2,100	126,200	117,000	9,200
MANUFACTURING	474,100	471,800	2,300	479,400	470,300	9,100
Durable Goods	284,700	284,200	500	289,200	284,200	5,000
Nondurable Goods	189,400	187,600	1,800	190,200	186,100	4,100
SERVICE PROVIDING	2,338,100	2,337,100	1,000	2,363,500	2,348,000	15,500
PRIVATE SERVICE PROVIDING	1,930,700	1,924,100	6,600	1,961,300	1,926,900	34,400
TRADE	431,000	433,100	-2,100	431,800	429,200	2,600
TRANS., WAREHOUSING, & UTILITIES	112,400	112,100	300	113,300	112,200	1,100
INFORMATION	49,000	49,000	0	48,900	48,400	500
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	153,800	151,900	1,900	154,900	152,100	2,800
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	314,400	313,600	800	319,200	312,400	6,800
EDUCATIONAL & HEALTH SERVICES	440,900	440,900	0	440,400	442,300	-1,900
LEISURE & HOSPITALITY	279,600	274,600	5,000	301,100	280,600	20,500
OTHER SERVICES, except Public Admin.	149,600	148,900	700	151,700	149,700	2,000
GOVERNMENT	407,400	413,000	-5,600	402,200	421,100	-18,900
Federal Government	28,900	28,700	200	29,100	28,700	400
State Government	94,100	99,600	-5,500	80,600	99,000	-18,400
Local Government	284,400	284,700	-300	292,500	293,400	-900

*Differences in total may occur as a result of rounding. (1) Includes Labor Market Disputes (P) = Prelim; (R) = Revised **Blue** changes are outside margin of error.
Source: Local Area Unemployment Statistics and Current Employment Statistics programs, Bureau of Workforce Information and Technical Support.

Cautionary note to users: Revised methodological procedures mandated by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) force individual state estimates of employment into closer alignment with the national estimate. This change results in larger month-to-month employment change for the states and the information reported by DWD.

3. HISTORY OF REVISIONS OF ESTIMATES FROM PLACE OF WORK SURVEY

Month-Over-Month Changes Seasonally Adjusted	TNF			Private		
	Prelim	Revised	Change	Prelim	Revised	Change
January 2016	(200)	+7,200	+7,400	(1,400)	+5,800	+7,200
February 2016	+7,200	+11,600	+4,400	+8,000	+10,500	+2,500
March 2016	+11,500	+13,300	+1,800	+13,100	+14,700	+1,600
April 2016	(12,600)	(10,400)	+2,200	(11,500)	(11,500)	+0
May 2016	+5,500	+1,300	(4,200)	+9,700	+3,400	(6,300)
June 2016						
July 2016						
August 2016						
September 2016						
October 2016						
November 2016						
December 2016						

Note: Prelim = original month-over-month change. Revised = updated month-over-month change. The "Change" column represents the difference between the prelim month-over-month change and the revised month-over-month change.

4. LATEST QUARTERLY DATA: CENSUS OF EMPLOYMENT AND WAGES

	2014 Employment			2015 Employment			Dec-Dec Change	
	Oct	Nov	Dec	Oct	Nov	Dec	Number	Percent
TOTAL	2,797,592	2,803,958	2,791,001	2,829,292	2,825,094	2,820,521	29,520	1.1%
<i>Total Private</i>	2,407,974	2,406,626	2,401,138	2,442,858	2,438,780	2,432,808	31,670	1.3%
Natural Resources & Mining	32,101	29,979	28,187	33,269	31,098	29,386	1,199	4.3%
Construction	111,325	108,171	101,908	116,258	113,298	108,259	6,351	6.2%
Manufacturing	461,572	461,383	462,173	465,085	464,739	465,069	2,896	0.6%
Trade, Transportation, Utilities (Total)	520,962	531,552	534,970	536,583	545,539	548,144	13,174	2.5%
Information	48,060	48,325	48,385	49,588	49,790	49,647	1,262	2.6%
Financial Activities	144,868	144,902	145,868	146,957	146,761	147,390	1,522	1.0%
Professional & Business Services	311,886	311,629	308,010	318,969	317,799	313,819	5,809	1.9%
Education & Health Services	407,356	408,893	410,330	416,833	418,181	420,436	10,106	2.5%
Leisure & Hospitality	261,626	253,599	252,314	271,791	264,255	262,250	9,936	3.9%
Other Services	83,246	82,697	83,321	83,317	82,908	84,010	689	0.8%
Unclassified	24,972	25,496	25,672	4,208	4,412	4,398	-21,274	-82.9%
<i>Total Government</i>	389,618	397,332	389,863	386,434	386,314	387,713	-2,150	-0.6%

Table 4 data as published by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages counts are published 6 months after the quarter they describe.

Data from the latest published quarter and a year prior are included here.