

EMPLOYMENT NEWS RELEASE

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New Mexico's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 6.3 percent in October 2012, down from 6.4 percent in September and also down from 7.2 percent a year ago.

The rate of over-the-year job growth, comparing October 2012 with October 2011, was negative 0.7 percent, representing a loss of 5,900 jobs. The current round of job loss started in June after ten months of over-the-year job growth. Six industries are currently adding employment and seven industries are losing jobs.

Large gains were reported by the leisure and hospitality industry and the educational and health services industry, each adding 2,500 jobs since this time last year. Other industries had decreases in employment. The professional and business services industry reported the loss of 3,400 jobs, and construction reported a loss of 1,300 jobs over the year. Government employment registered a net loss of 4,500 jobs since last year, with job losses reported at the state and federal levels. State government reported employment levels that were 3,800 jobs lower than last year. Federal government reported employment that was down 1,400 jobs. Local governments came in 700 jobs higher than this time last year.

Detailed analysis will be provided in the *Labor Market Review* scheduled for release on November 26.

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**Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment
(Not Seasonally Adjusted)**

NEW MEXICO	Preliminary	Revised	Revised	Change	
	Oct-12	Sep-12	Oct-11	Monthly	Yearly
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	805,100	802,200	811,000	2,900	-5,900
TOTAL PRIVATE	611,600	611,200	613,000	400	-1,400
GOODS PRODUCING	95,600	94,900	96,300	700	-700
SERVICE PROVIDING	709,500	707,300	714,700	2,200	-5,200
MINING & LOGGING	22,200	22,600	22,000	-400	200
CONSTRUCTION	42,900	41,700	44,200	1,200	-1,300
MANUFACTURING	30,500	30,600	30,100	-100	400
WHOLESALE TRADE	21,200	21,600	21,000	-400	200
RETAIL TRADE	89,200	89,700	89,800	-500	-600
TRANSPORTATION, WAREHOUSING & UTILITIES	22,000	21,900	21,600	100	400
INFORMATION	13,400	13,300	14,300	100	-900
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	32,500	32,200	33,300	300	-800
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	96,500	96,700	99,900	-200	-3,400
EDUCATIONAL & HEALTH SERVICES	128,200	126,900	125,700	1,300	2,500
LEISURE & HOSPITALITY	86,800	88,100	84,300	-1,300	2,500
OTHER SERVICES	26,200	25,900	26,800	300	-600
GOVERNMENT	193,500	191,000	198,000	2,500	-4,500
Federal Government	30,700	31,500	32,100	-800	-1,400
State Government	56,600	55,700	60,400	900	-3,800
<i>State Government Education</i>	<i>28,100</i>	<i>26,500</i>	<i>28,200</i>	<i>1,600</i>	<i>-100</i>
Local Government	106,200	103,800	105,500	2,400	700
<i>Local Government Education</i>	<i>57,600</i>	<i>55,600</i>	<i>57,400</i>	<i>2,000</i>	<i>200</i>

U.S. Labor Force Estimates

	OCTOBER 2012				SEPTEMBER 2012				OCTOBER 2011			
	Labor Force	Empl.	Unemp.	Rate	Labor Force	Empl.	Unemp.	Rate	Labor Force	Empl.	Unemp.	Rate
Seasonally Adjusted	155,641	143,384	12,258	7.9%	155,063	142,974	12,088	7.8%	154,057	140,297	13,759	8.9%
Not Seasonally Adjusted	155,779	144,039	11,741	7.5%	155,075	143,333	11,742	7.6%	154,088	140,987	13,102	8.5%

Note: Numbers are in thousands.

New Mexico Labor Force Estimates (Not Seasonally Adjusted Unless Noted as "SA")

	PRELIMINARY OCTOBER 2012				REVISED SEPTEMBER 2012				REVISED OCTOBER 2011			
	Labor Force	Empl.	Unemp.	Rate	Labor Force	Empl.	Unemp.	Rate	Labor Force	Empl.	Unemp.	Rate
STATEWIDE SA	925,696	867,422	58,274	6.3%	922,316	863,520	58,796	6.4%	926,520	859,539	66,981	7.2%
STATEWIDE	933,312	876,989	56,323	6.0%	927,183	871,605	55,578	6.0%	930,325	865,073	65,252	7.0%
Albuquerque MSA SA	395,276	369,475	25,801	6.5%	394,029	367,974	26,055	6.6%	396,977	366,604	30,373	7.7%
Albuquerque MSA	398,152	372,702	25,450	6.4%	394,727	369,408	25,319	6.4%	397,908	367,743	30,165	7.6%
Bernalillo	304,994	285,978	19,016	6.2%	302,423	283,451	18,972	6.3%	304,367	282,173	22,194	7.3%
Sandoval	55,949	52,045	3,904	7.0%	55,470	51,585	3,885	7.0%	56,089	51,352	4,737	8.4%
Torrance	6,465	6,015	450	7.0%	6,413	5,962	451	7.0%	6,516	5,935	581	8.9%
Valencia	30,742	28,663	2,079	6.8%	30,421	28,410	2,011	6.6%	30,935	28,282	2,653	8.6%
Farmington MSA SA	54,296	50,805	3,491	6.4%	54,277	50,785	3,492	6.4%	55,395	51,308	4,087	7.4%
Farmington MSA	55,067	51,737	3,330	6.0%	54,369	51,043	3,326	6.1%	56,135	52,207	3,928	7.0%
Las Cruces MSA SA	91,364	85,278	6,086	6.7%	91,598	85,497	6,101	6.7%	92,406	85,710	6,696	7.2%
Las Cruces MSA	91,803	86,066	5,737	6.2%	91,294	85,673	5,621	6.2%	93,343	87,003	6,340	6.8%
Santa Fe MSA SA	75,498	71,758	3,740	5.0%	75,108	71,338	3,770	5.0%	74,637	70,329	4,308	5.8%
Santa Fe MSA	76,118	72,419	3,699	4.9%	75,880	72,206	3,674	4.8%	74,869	70,529	4,340	5.8%
Catron	1,548	1,446	102	6.6%	1,588	1,495	93	5.9%	1,453	1,337	116	8.0%
Chaves	26,385	24,844	1,541	5.8%	26,098	24,608	1,490	5.7%	26,174	24,415	1,759	6.7%
Cibola	12,134	11,451	683	5.6%	12,179	11,507	672	5.5%	11,996	11,202	794	6.6%
Colfax	6,106	5,706	400	6.6%	6,121	5,719	402	6.6%	6,193	5,693	500	8.1%
Curry	21,641	20,655	986	4.6%	21,482	20,565	917	4.3%	21,324	20,271	1,053	4.9%
De Baca	789	755	34	4.3%	792	760	32	4.0%	772	732	40	5.2%
Eddy	30,863	29,751	1,112	3.6%	30,206	29,135	1,071	3.5%	29,316	28,016	1,300	4.4%
Grant	12,224	11,441	783	6.4%	12,018	11,272	746	6.2%	11,723	10,837	886	7.6%
Guadalupe	1,707	1,567	140	8.2%	1,736	1,595	141	8.1%	1,652	1,488	164	9.9%
Harding	405	387	18	4.4%	395	377	18	4.6%	386	367	19	4.9%
Hidalgo	2,676	2,519	157	5.9%	2,677	2,523	154	5.8%	2,708	2,564	144	5.3%
Lea	31,671	30,469	1,202	3.8%	30,995	29,829	1,166	3.8%	29,784	28,367	1,417	4.8%
Lincoln	10,228	9,723	505	4.9%	10,512	10,032	480	4.6%	10,436	9,860	576	5.5%
Los Alamos	9,531	9,203	328	3.4%	9,425	9,116	309	3.3%	9,838	9,518	320	3.3%
Luna	12,866	11,342	1,524	11.8%	13,241	11,679	1,562	11.8%	13,199	11,459	1,740	13.2%
McKinley	25,848	23,829	2,019	7.8%	26,013	24,044	1,969	7.6%	26,040	23,759	2,281	8.8%
Mora	1,842	1,637	205	11.1%	1,865	1,662	203	10.9%	1,883	1,637	246	13.1%
Otero	25,826	24,318	1,508	5.8%	25,946	24,498	1,448	5.6%	25,281	23,670	1,611	6.4%
Quay	3,700	3,469	231	6.2%	3,715	3,479	236	6.4%	3,818	3,526	292	7.6%
Rio Arriba	18,475	17,221	1,254	6.8%	18,358	17,106	1,252	6.8%	18,624	17,203	1,421	7.6%
Roosevelt	9,100	8,677	423	4.6%	8,999	8,619	380	4.2%	9,060	8,622	438	4.8%
San Miguel	13,141	12,283	858	6.5%	13,011	12,185	826	6.3%	12,947	11,988	959	7.4%
Sierra	6,081	5,761	320	5.3%	6,113	5,796	317	5.2%	6,168	5,801	367	6.0%
Socorro	9,266	8,844	422	4.6%	9,297	8,894	403	4.3%	9,003	8,523	480	5.3%
Taos	16,235	14,967	1,268	7.8%	16,240	14,965	1,275	7.9%	16,398	14,937	1,461	8.9%
Union	1,880	1,797	83	4.4%	1,891	1,815	76	4.0%	1,893	1,798	95	5.0%

Note: BLS MSA SA series from January 2000 forward are available at <http://www.bls.gov/lau/metrosa.htm>.

**County Unemployment Rates, October 2012
(Not Seasonally Adjusted)**

