

Kentucky Employment: 2023

| | 2023 | 2022 | 2013 | From 2022 to 2023 | | From 2013 to 2023 | |
|---|------------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------------|--------------|
| | | | | Change | Rate | Change | Rate |
| Civilian Labor Force | 2,026,263 | 2,030,274 | 2,055,895 | -4,011 | -0.2% | -29,632 | -1.4% |
| Employment | 1,941,994 | 1,948,312 | 1,892,777 | -6,318 | -0.3% | 49,217 | 2.6% |
| Unemployment | 84,269 | 81,962 | 163,118 | 2,307 | 2.8% | -78,849 | -48.3% |
| Unemployment Rate | 4.2% | 4.0% | 7.9% | 0.2% | - | -3.7% | - |
| U.S. Unemployment Rate | 3.6% | 3.6% | 7.4% | 0.0% | - | -3.8% | - |
| Total Nonfarm Employment | 2,016,425 | 1,967,834 | 1,830,468 | 48,591 | 2.5% | 185,957 | 10.2% |
| Private Sector Employment | 1,708,604 | 1,668,493 | 1,506,641 | 40,111 | 2.4% | 201,963 | 13.4% |
| Goods Producing Industries | 354,404 | 343,721 | 314,600 | 10,683 | 3.1% | 39,804 | 12.7% |
| Mining and Logging | 8,627 | 8,214 | 17,447 | 413 | 5.0% | -8,820 | -50.6% |
| Construction | 89,573 | 83,457 | 68,096 | 6,116 | 7.3% | 21,477 | 31.5% |
| Manufacturing | 256,203 | 252,051 | 229,057 | 4,152 | 1.6% | 27,146 | 11.9% |
| Durable Goods | 166,521 | 163,153 | 143,281 | 3,368 | 2.1% | 23,240 | 16.2% |
| Non-durable Goods | 89,682 | 88,898 | 85,776 | 784 | 0.9% | 3,906 | 4.6% |
| Private Service Providing Industries | 1,354,200 | 1,324,772 | 1,192,041 | 29,428 | 2.2% | 162,159 | 13.6% |
| Trade, Transportation, & Utilities | 426,959 | 424,942 | 369,906 | 2,017 | 0.5% | 57,053 | 15.4% |
| Wholesale Trade | 80,172 | 78,039 | 72,473 | 2,133 | 2.7% | 7,699 | 10.6% |
| Retail Trade | 207,352 | 207,618 | 203,330 | -266 | -0.1% | 4,022 | 2.0% |
| Transp, Warehousing, & Util. | 139,435 | 139,286 | 94,103 | 149 | 0.1% | 45,332 | 48.2% |
| Information | 23,028 | 21,861 | 24,092 | 1,167 | 5.3% | -1,064 | -4.4% |
| Financial Activities | 96,711 | 96,575 | 88,841 | 136 | 0.1% | 7,870 | 8.9% |
| Finance and Insurance | 74,741 | 75,537 | 70,605 | -796 | -1.1% | 4,136 | 5.9% |
| Real Estate, Rental & Leasing | 21,970 | 21,038 | 18,236 | 932 | 4.4% | 3,734 | 20.5% |
| Professional and Business Services | 229,119 | 228,502 | 204,162 | 617 | 0.3% | 24,957 | 12.2% |
| Prof, Scientific, & Tech Services | 87,250 | 84,683 | 70,871 | 2,567 | 3.0% | 16,379 | 23.1% |
| Management of Companies | 23,067 | 21,911 | 20,535 | 1,156 | 5.3% | 2,532 | 12.3% |
| Admin & Support & Waste Mgmt | 118,803 | 121,908 | 112,756 | -3,105 | -2.5% | 6,047 | 5.4% |
| Educational & Health Services | 302,918 | 289,150 | 260,954 | 13,768 | 4.8% | 41,964 | 16.1% |
| Educational Services | 29,586 | 28,711 | 29,911 | 875 | 3.0% | -325 | -1.1% |
| Health Care & Social Assistance | 273,331 | 260,439 | 231,043 | 12,892 | 5.0% | 42,288 | 18.3% |
| Leisure and Hospitality | 203,784 | 196,369 | 179,438 | 7,415 | 3.8% | 24,346 | 13.6% |
| Arts, Entertainment & Recreation | 25,460 | 23,572 | 19,975 | 1,888 | 8.0% | 5,485 | 27.5% |
| Accommodation & Food Services | 178,324 | 172,797 | 159,464 | 5,527 | 3.2% | 18,860 | 11.8% |
| Other Services | 71,681 | 67,373 | 64,647 | 4,308 | 6.4% | 7,034 | 10.9% |
| Government | 307,822 | 299,341 | 323,828 | 8,481 | 2.8% | -16,006 | -4.9% |
| Federal | 35,666 | 34,403 | 38,427 | 1,263 | 3.7% | -2,761 | -7.2% |
| State | 93,372 | 89,756 | 100,775 | 3,616 | 4.0% | -7,403 | -7.3% |
| Local | 178,785 | 175,183 | 184,626 | 3,602 | 2.1% | -5,841 | -3.2% |

Sources: Kentucky Center for Statistics, Kentucky Education & Workforce Development Cabinet.
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