# U.S. Economy Gained 236,000 Jobs In March, 2023 

## THREE-MONTH CHANGE IN JOB CREATION 1

| January, 2023 | 517,000 |
| :---: | :---: |
| February, 2023 | 311,000 |
| March, 2023 | 236,000 |

ONE-MONTH CHANGE IN JOB GROWTH BY INDUSTRY 1

|  | Industry | People Employed February 2023 | People Employed March, 2023 | $\begin{gathered} \text { Gain } \\ \text { or } \\ \text { Loss } \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Mining | 632,000 | 635,000 | 3,000 |
|  | Construction | 7,897,000 | 7,888,000 | -9,000 |
|  | Manufacturing | 12,984,000 | 12,983,000 | -1,000 |
|  | Wholesale | 6,048,600 | 6,055,300 | 6,700 |
|  | Retail | 15,541,400 | 15,526,800 | -14,600 |
|  | Transportation | 6,716,100 | 6,726,500 | 10,400 |
|  | Utilities | 552,500 | 554,000 | 1,500 |
|  | Information | 3,087,000 | 3,093,000 | 6,000 |
|  | Finance | 9,099,000 | 9,098,000 | -1,000 |
|  | Professional | 22,913,000 | 22,952,000 | 39,000 |
|  | Health | 25,023,000 | 25,088,000 | 65,000 |
|  | Leisure | 16,505,000 | 16,577,000 | 72,000 |
| B1 | Associations | 5,824,000 | 5,835,000 | 11,000 |
|  | Government | 22,510,000 | 22,557,000 | 47,000 |
|  |  |  |  | 236,000 |

MARCH, 2023, HIRES BY BUSINESS SIZE ${ }^{2}$
Percentage of US new hires

## 160,892,000 People Were Employed In March, 2023

## THREE MONTH CHANGE IN EMPLOYMENT

| January, 2023 | 160,138,000 |
| :---: | :---: |
| February, 2023 | 160,315,000 |
| March, 2023 | 160,892,000 |

ONE-MONTH CHANGE IN EMPLOYMENT BY OCCUPATION 1

| Occupation | People <br> February, 2023 | People <br> Employed <br> March, 2023 | Gain <br> or <br> Loss |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Management | $28,828,000$ | $30,285,000$ | $1,457,000$ |
| Professional | $38,995,000$ | $40,366,000$ | $1,371,000$ |
| Services | $25,376,000$ | $25,600,000$ | 224,000 |
| Sales | $14,489,000$ | $14,447,000$ | $-42,000$ |
| Office, administrative | $16,431,000$ | $15,913,000$ | $-518,000$ |
| Farming, fishing, forestry | 945,000 | 797,000 | $-148,000$ |
| Construction, extraction | $8,318,000$ | $8,415,000$ | 97,000 |
| Installation, maintenance | $4,900,000$ | $4,792,000$ | $-108,000$ |
| Production | $8,111,000$ | $8,405,000$ | 294,000 |
| Transportation | $11,713,000$ | $11,721,000$ | 8,000 |

PEOPLE WORKING PART TIME FOR ECONOMIC REASONS ${ }^{1}$

| January, 2023 | 4,050,000 |
| :---: | :---: |
| February, 2023 | 4,067,000 |
| March, 2023 | 4,102,000 |

ONE YEAR CHANGE IN HOURS AND WAGES 1

|  | March, 2022 | March, 2023 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Average workweek | 34.7 | 34.4 |
| Average overtime in manufacturing | 3.5 | 3.0 |
| Average hourly wage | $\$ 31.83$ | $\$ 33.18$ |
| Average weekly earnings | $\$ 1,104.50$ | $\$ 1,141.39$ |

## 5,839,000 People Were Unemployed In March, 2023

## THREE MONTH CHANGE IN UNEMPLOYMENT 1

| January, 2023 | 5,694,000 |
| :---: | :---: |
| February, 2023 | 5,936,000 |
| March, 2023 | 5,839,000 |

UNEMPLOYMENT RATES IN MARCH, 20231

| 3.5 | 3.4 | 3.1 | 9.8 | 3.2 | 5.0 | 2.8 | 4.6 | 4.0 | 2.0 | 2.8 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| A <br> A | US | Men | Women | Teens | White | Black | Asian | Hispanic | High <br> School <br> Diploma | Bachelor's <br> Degree+ | Gulf II <br> Veterans |

UNEMPLOYMENT BY OCCUPATION ${ }^{1}$

|  |  | People Unemployed In March, 2023 | Unemployment Rate |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Management | 647,000 | 2.1 |
|  | Professional | 721,000 | 1.8 |
|  | Services | 1,242,000 | 4.6 |
|  | Sales | 552,000 | 3.7 |
|  | Office, administrative | 586,000 | 3.6 |
|  | Farming, fishing, forestry | 70,000 | 8.1 |
|  | Construction, extraction | 601,000 | 6.7 |
|  | Installation, maintenance, repair | 137,000 | 2.8 |
| A 13 | Production | 384,000 | 4.4 |
|  | Transportation, material moving | 718,000 | 5.8 |

REASON FOR UNEMPLOYMENT AND LENGTH OF UNEMPLOYMENT IN MARCH, $2023{ }^{1}$


# 99,541,000 People, Age 16 Years And Older, Were Not In The Labor Force In March, 2023 

THREE MONTH CHANGE IN THOSE NOT IN THE LABOR FORCE 1

| January, 2023 | 100,130,000 |
| :---: | :---: |
| February, 2023 | 99,861,000 |
| March, 2023 | 99,541,000 |


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