

# Dept. of Workforce Development BLS Data: Wisconsin adds non-farm, private sector jobs in February

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MADISON - The Department of Workforce Development (DWD) today released the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) preliminary employment estimates for the month of February 2020. The data shows that Wisconsin added 5,100 total non-farm and 3,500 private-sector jobs in the month of February. Wisconsin's labor force participation rate in February was 66.9 percent, and the state's unemployment rate was 3.5 percent.

- **Place of Residence Data:** Wisconsin's labor force participation rate in February was 66.9 percent, 3.5 percentage points higher than the national rate of 63.4 percent. Wisconsin's unemployment rate in February was 3.5 percent, equal to the national rate.
- **Place of Work Data:** Wisconsin added 5,100 total non-farm jobs and 3,500 private-sector jobs from January 2020 to February 2020. From February 2019 to February 2020, Wisconsin added 17,800 total non-farm jobs and 13,200 private-sector jobs.