

South Dakota e-Labor Bulletin

July 2017

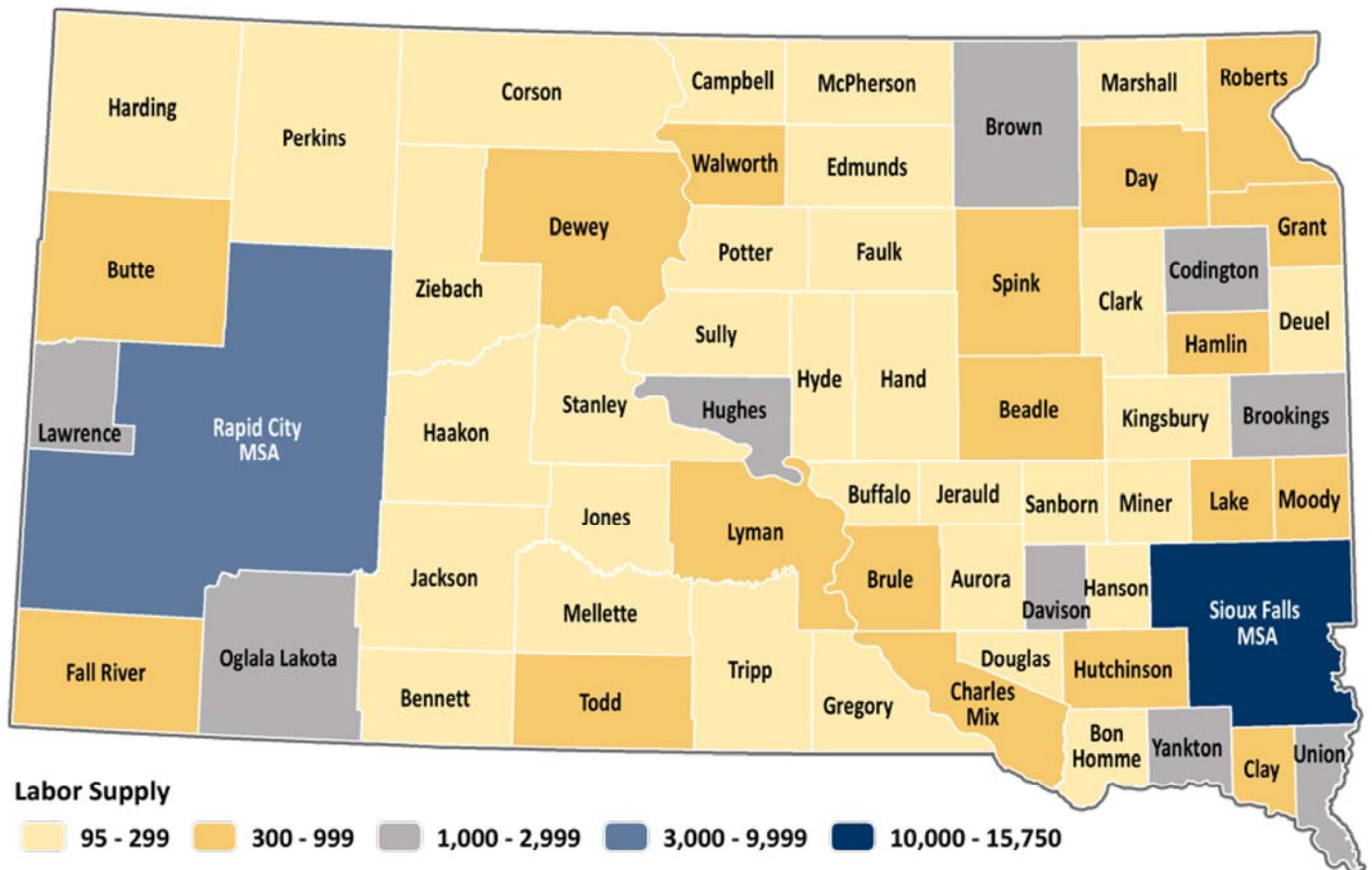
Overview of the Current Labor Market

The analysis below is based on the most current labor market data available at any point in time.

Labor Supply

The number of South Dakotans who would be available to staff a new or expanding business, or South Dakota's labor supply, was estimated at 54,145 in July 2017. Included in this labor supply are those who currently hold jobs (and would like to change) and those who, for a variety of reasons, do not have jobs.

South Dakota Labor Supply July 2017

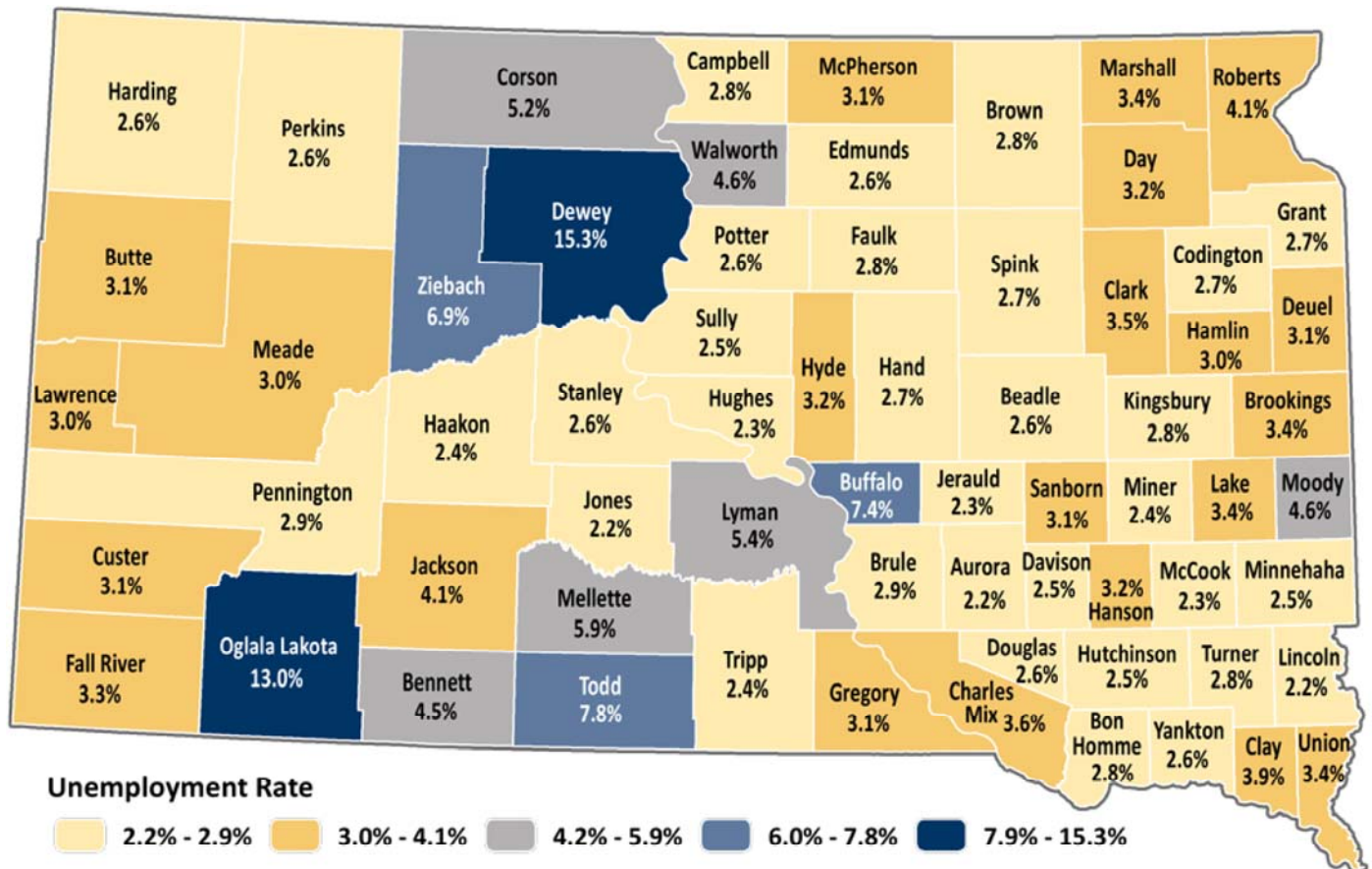


Labor Force

This data is seasonally adjusted.

Preliminary estimates show the July 2017 South Dakota labor force increased over the month by 100 workers (0.0%) to 457,600 workers. The level of unemployed increased by 700 (5.1 percent) to 14,400.

South Dakota Unemployment Rates by County Not seasonally adjusted July 2017



Notes about labor force data

The unemployment rate represents the number of unemployed as a percent of the labor force. People are classified as unemployed if they do not have jobs, have actively looked for work in the prior four weeks and are currently available for work. People who were not working and were waiting to be recalled to jobs from which they were temporarily laid off are also included as unemployed.

Labor force estimates for South Dakota are produced by the Labor Market Information Center in cooperation with the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. The concepts and definitions underlying the labor force data come from the Current Population Survey (CPS), the household survey which is the official measure of the labor force for the nation. The statewide estimate of the number of nonfarm jobs is a component of the model used to produce the labor force estimates. Other data used in this model include the number of continued unemployment insurance claims and survey data from the Current Population Survey (CPS) which is specific to the state.

Although state specific data is used in the production of the labor force estimates for South Dakota, the state monthly model estimates are controlled in "real time" to sum to national monthly labor force estimates from the CPS. Therefore, variation in the estimates of the employed and unemployed are somewhat controlled by what is happening nationally.

South Dakota Nonfarm Wage & Salaried Workers by Industry

This data is not seasonally adjusted.

Over-the-month comparisons

Based on a monthly survey of South Dakota establishments, preliminary estimates show the total nonfarm wage and salaried worker level decreased by 4,700 (or 1.1 percent) from June 2017 to July 2017.

The **Leisure and Hospitality** sector experienced worker gains, increasing by 700 workers (1.3 percent).

Construction increased by 800 workers (3.3 percent) in July. Historically, the construction sector peaks in the summer as crew workers fix the roads and highways across the state and continue until cold weather starts.

Professional and Business Services increased over-the-month by 500 (1.6 percent) to 32,000 workers in July 2017. Other Services was unchanged over-the-month with 17,200 workers in July 2017.

Education and Health Services decreased by 800 workers (1.1 percent) over-the-month to 70,200 in July 2017. This sector continues to grow and expand overall.

Retail Trade decreased over the month by 700 (1.3 percent), dropping from 54,500 in June 2017 to 53,800 in July 2017.

Manufacturing rose over-the-month by 100 workers from 41,800 in June 2017 to 41,900 in July 2017. Financial Activities gained 100 workers (0.3 percent) over-the-month with its rise to 30,500 workers.

Over-the-year comparisons

Based on a monthly survey of South Dakota establishments, preliminary estimates show the total nonfarm wage and salaried worker level increased by 4,300 (1.0 percent) from July 2016 to July 2017. Since 2005, the South Dakota total nonfarm worker level has continued to trend upward.

Leisure and Hospitality increased by 3,400 (6.7 percent) over the year to 54,200 workers in July 2017. Worker levels in this sector commonly fluctuate quite a bit due to the seasonality of this sector, depending on the time of year. Worker levels trends for this sector have been fairly consistent, typically peaking in August and reflecting lower levels during January and February.

Retail Trade lost 1,000 workers (1.8 percent), decreasing to a level of 53,800 in July 2017.

The **Construction** sector levels fell over the year, with the employment level decreasing by 1,500 workers (5.6 percent) by July 2017. Historically, the worker levels in this industry hit highs during the summer months and decline when colder weather hits.

Education and Health Services increased over the year to 70,200 in July 2017, gaining 300 workers (0.4 percent). The Education and Healthcare Services sector has remained fairly stable

and continued to trend upward. The aging population continued to impact the demand for health care services.

The **Professional and Business Services** sector was unchanged over-the-year with 32,000 workers. Overall, the worker level in this industry has continued to trend upward since January 2004.

The **Wholesale Trade** worker level increased over the year by 500 workers (2.3 percent) to 22,000 workers in July 2017. The Wholesale Trade sector includes establishments engaged in wholesaling merchandise, as well as rendering services incidental to the sale of merchandise.

Manufacturing experienced a decrease over the year of 500 workers (1.2 percent). Worker levels had been steadily trending upward until the recession hit in 2009. Since then, worker levels have continued to trend upward overall. Durable Goods decreased over-the-year by 700 workers (2.5 percent). Durable Goods are not for immediate consumption and able to be kept for a period of time, such as cars, refrigerators and mobile phones. Non-Durable Goods increased by 200 workers (1.4 percent). Non-Durable Goods are immediately consumed in one use or ones that have a lifespan of less than three years. Examples of Non-Durable Goods are cosmetics, cleaning supplies, food and fuel.

The **Other Services** sector gained 600 workers (3.6 percent), rising to a level of 17,200 workers in July 2017. Other Services include a wide variety of activities, including repair and maintenance, personal and laundry services, religious, grant making, private households and other similar organizations. Historical trends reflect consistent fluctuations with worker levels increasing during the summer months and declining in the spring months.

Financial Activities gained 900 workers (3.0 percent), reaching a level of 30,500 workers in July 2017. Worker levels within this sector had been trending upward, with a high point in 2010. Although a downturn occurred in 2014, worker levels have been trending upward again.

Government increased by 1,100 workers (1.5 percent) to a level of 76,200 in July 2017. The Government sector includes Federal, State and Local Government.

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South Dakota Nonfarm Worker Levels

Not Seasonally Adjusted

| Industries | July 2017 | June 2017 | July 2016 | Percent Change | |
|---|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-------------|
| | | | | Last Month | Last Year |
| TOTAL | 443,700 | 448,400 | 439,400 | -1.1% | 1.0% |
| Total Private | 367,500 | 366,500 | 364,300 | 0.3% | 0.9% |
| Goods Producing | 68,100 | 67,200 | 70,000 | 1.3% | -2.7% |
| Service Providing | 375,600 | 381,200 | 369,400 | -1.5% | 1.7% |
| Private Service Providing | 299,400 | 299,300 | 294,300 | 0.0% | 1.7% |
| Mining/Logging/Construction | 26,200 | 25,400 | 27,600 | 3.2% | -5.1% |
| Mining and Logging | 1,100 | 1,100 | 1,000 | 0.0% | 10.0% |
| Construction | 25,100 | 24,300 | 26,600 | 3.3% | -5.6% |
| Construction of Buildings | 6,300 | 6,200 | 6,400 | 1.6% | -1.6% |
| Heavy/Civil Engineering Construction | 4,600 | 4,500 | 5,700 | 2.2% | -19.3% |
| Specialty Trade Contractors | 14,200 | 13,600 | 14,500 | 4.4% | -2.1% |
| Manufacturing | 41,900 | 41,800 | 42,400 | 0.2% | -1.2% |
| Durable Goods | 27,100 | 27,000 | 27,800 | 0.4% | -2.5% |
| Non-Durable Goods | 14,800 | 14,800 | 14,600 | 0.0% | 1.4% |
| Trade, Transportation & Utilities | 89,300 | 89,800 | 89,600 | -0.6% | -0.3% |
| Wholesale Trade | 22,000 | 22,000 | 21,500 | 0.0% | 2.3% |
| Retail Trade | 53,800 | 54,500 | 54,800 | -1.3% | -1.8% |
| Transportation/Warehousing/Utilities | 13,500 | 13,300 | 13,300 | 1.5% | 1.5% |
| Information | 6,000 | 5,900 | 5,800 | 1.7% | 3.5% |
| Financial Activities | 30,500 | 30,400 | 29,600 | 0.3% | 3.0% |
| Professional Business Services | 32,000 | 31,500 | 32,000 | 1.6% | 0.0% |
| Education/Health Service | 70,200 | 71,000 | 69,900 | -1.1% | 0.4% |
| Educational Services | 6,600 | 7,200 | 6,600 | -8.3% | 0.0% |
| Health Care/Social Assistance | 63,600 | 63,800 | 63,300 | -0.3% | 0.5% |
| Hospitals | 24,800 | 24,900 | 24,500 | -0.4% | 1.2% |
| Leisure/Hospitality | 54,200 | 53,500 | 50,800 | 1.3% | 6.7% |
| Other Services (except Public Administration) | 17,200 | 17,200 | 16,600 | 0.0% | 3.6% |
| Government | 76,200 | 81,900 | 75,100 | -7.0% | 1.5% |
| Federal Government | 11,800 | 12,100 | 11,400 | -2.5% | 3.5% |
| State Government | 17,100 | 17,100 | 16,800 | 0.0% | 1.8% |
| State Education | 7,400 | 7,400 | 7,300 | 0.0% | 1.4% |
| Local Government | 47,300 | 52,700 | 46,900 | -10.3% | 0.9% |
| Local Education | 20,000 | 26,000 | 20,200 | -23.1% | -1.0% |

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Rapid City Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) Nonfarm Worker Levels

Not Seasonally Adjusted

| Industry | July 2017 | June 2017 | July 2016 | Percent Change | |
|--------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|-------------|
| | | | | Last Month | Last Year |
| TOTAL | 71,300 | 72,200 | 70,100 | -1.3% | 1.7% |
| Total Private | 61,300 | 60,800 | 59,800 | 0.8% | 2.5% |
| Goods Producing | 8,300 | 8,000 | 8,200 | 3.8% | 1.2% |
| Service Providing | 63,000 | 64,200 | 61,900 | -1.9% | 1.8% |
| Private Service Providing | 53,000 | 52,800 | 51,600 | 0.4% | 2.7% |
| Mining/Logging/Construction | 5,300 | 5,200 | 5,300 | 1.9% | 0.0% |
| Manufacturing | 3,000 | 2,800 | 2,900 | 7.1% | 3.5% |
| Trade/Transportation/Utilities | 14,400 | 14,500 | 14,300 | -0.7% | 0.7% |
| Wholesale Trade | 2,600 | 2,600 | 2,400 | 0.0% | 8.3% |
| Retail Trade | 10,000 | 10,100 | 10,000 | -1.0% | 0.0% |
| Transportation/Warehousing/Utilities | 1,800 | 1,800 | 1,900 | 0.0% | -5.3% |
| Information | 900 | 900 | 900 | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| Financial Activities | 4,100 | 4,100 | 4,100 | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| Professional/Business Services | 5,300 | 5,300 | 5,400 | 0.0% | -1.9% |
| Educational/Health Services | 11,600 | 11,600 | 11,400 | 0.0% | 1.8% |
| Leisure/Hospitality | 13,400 | 13,100 | 12,300 | 2.3% | 8.9% |
| Other Services | 3,300 | 3,300 | 3,200 | 0.0% | 3.1% |
| Government | 10,000 | 11,400 | 10,300 | -12.3% | -2.9% |

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Access [historical Rapid City MSA nonfarm wage and salaried worker data](#).

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See the definition of the [Rapid City MSA](#).

See [technical notes about nonfarm worker estimates](#).

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Sioux Falls Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) Nonfarm Worker Levels

Not Seasonally Adjusted

| Industry | July 2017 | June 2017 | July 2016 | Percent Change | |
|--------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-------------------|--------------|
| | | | | Last Month | Last Year |
| TOTAL | 156,500 | 157,200 | 154,600 | -0.5% | 1.2% |
| Total Private | 142,900 | 142,800 | 141,000 | 0.1% | 1.4% |
| Goods Producing | 22,600 | 22,400 | 22,800 | 0.9% | -0.9% |
| Service Providing | 133,900 | 134,800 | 131,800 | -0.7% | 1.6% |
| Private Service Providing | 120,300 | 120,400 | 118,200 | -0.1% | 1.8% |
| Mining/Logging/Construction | 9,100 | 9,000 | 9,300 | 1.1% | -2.2% |
| Manufacturing | 13,500 | 13,400 | 13,500 | 0.8% | 0.0% |
| Trade/Transportation/Utilities | 32,600 | 32,900 | 33,000 | -0.9% | -1.2% |
| Wholesale Trade | 8,600 | 8,600 | 8,400 | 0.0% | 2.4% |
| Retail Trade | 18,500 | 18,800 | 19,200 | -1.6% | -3.7% |
| Transportation/Warehousing/Utilities | 5,500 | 5,500 | 5,400 | 0.0% | 1.9% |
| Information | 2,500 | 2,600 | 2,600 | -3.9% | -3.9% |
| Financial Activities | 16,000 | 15,900 | 15,900 | 0.6% | 0.6% |
| Professional/Business Services | 15,600 | 15,300 | 14,900 | 2.0% | 4.7% |
| Educational/Health Services | 31,500 | 31,700 | 30,700 | -0.6% | 2.6% |
| Leisure/Hospitality | 16,700 | 16,700 | 15,800 | 0.0% | 5.7% |
| Other Services | 5,400 | 5,300 | 5,300 | 1.9% | 1.9% |
| Government | 13,600 | 14,400 | 13,600 | -5.6% | 0.0% |

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South Dakota Labor Supply

| July 2017 | | | | |
|--------------------|------------|---------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| Area | Unemployed | Underemployed | Discouraged Workers | Total Labor Supply |
| South Dakota | 14,035 | 36,335 | 3,805 | 54,145 |
| Rapid City MSA | 2,255 | 6,970 | 140 | 9,360 |
| Sioux Falls MSA | 3,675 | 11,920 | 150 | 15,750 |
| Aurora County | 35 | 55 | 35 | 125 |
| Beadle County | 255 | 640 | 40 | 935 |
| Bennett County | 50 | 90 | 70 | 210 |
| Bon Homme County | 85 | 110 | 45 | 240 |
| Brookings County | 640 | 1,655 | 55 | 2,350 |
| Brown County | 585 | 1,615 | 45 | 2,245 |
| Brule County | 75 | 195 | 45 | 310 |
| Buffalo County | 55 | 55 | 120 | 230 |
| Butte County | 160 | 275 | 50 | 485 |
| Campbell County | 25 | 25 | 45 | 95 |
| Charles Mix County | 150 | 245 | 55 | 450 |
| Clark County | 70 | 75 | 55 | 200 |
| Clay County | 255 | 625 | 60 | 940 |
| Codington County | 425 | 1,235 | 40 | 1,700 |
| Corson County | 75 | 90 | 85 | 245 |
| Custer County | 130 | 485 | 50 | 660 |
| Davison County | 290 | 1,035 | 40 | 1,365 |
| Day County | 95 | 170 | 50 | 315 |
| Deuel County | 70 | 100 | 50 | 215 |
| Dewey County | 365 | 220 | 275 | 855 |
| Douglas County | 45 | 70 | 40 | 150 |
| Edmunds County | 55 | 95 | 40 | 195 |
| Fall River County | 105 | 325 | 50 | 480 |
| Faulk County | 30 | 50 | 45 | 125 |

| South Dakota Labor Supply, continued July 2017 | | | | |
|---|-------------------|----------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Area | Unemployed | Underemployed | Discouraged Workers | Total Labor Supply |
| Grant County | 125 | 275 | 40 | 445 |
| Gregory County | 65 | 100 | 50 | 215 |
| Haakon County | 30 | 60 | 35 | 125 |
| Hamlin County | 100 | 185 | 45 | 330 |
| Hand County | 50 | 95 | 40 | 185 |
| Hanson County | 60 | 45 | 50 | 155 |
| Harding County | 20 | 35 | 40 | 95 |
| Hughes County | 240 | 895 | 35 | 1,170 |
| Hutchinson County | 95 | 170 | 40 | 300 |
| Hyde County | 25 | 25 | 50 | 100 |
| Jackson County | 60 | 135 | 65 | 260 |
| Jerauld County | 25 | 105 | 35 | 165 |
| Jones County | 15 | 65 | 35 | 110 |
| Kingsbury County | 80 | 170 | 45 | 290 |
| Lake County | 220 | 385 | 55 | 660 |
| Lawrence County | 400 | 1,255 | 45 | 1,700 |
| Lincoln County | 710 | 1,840 | 35 | 2,585 |
| Lyman County | 105 | 185 | 85 | 375 |
| Marshall County | 85 | 130 | 55 | 265 |
| McCook County | 75 | 115 | 35 | 225 |
| McPherson County | 35 | 35 | 50 | 120 |
| Meade County | 425 | 730 | 45 | 1,205 |
| Mellette County | 45 | 40 | 95 | 180 |
| Miner County | 30 | 40 | 35 | 105 |
| Minnehaha County | 2,760 | 9,790 | 40 | 12,590 |
| Moody County | 185 | 170 | 75 | 430 |
| Oglala Lakota County | 480 | 500 | 225 | 1,210 |
| Pennington County | 1,700 | 5,755 | 45 | 7,495 |

**South Dakota Labor Supply, continued
July 2017**

| Area | Unemployed | Underemployed | Discouraged Workers | Total Labor Supply |
|-----------------|------------|---------------|------------------------|--------------------------|
| Perkins County | 45 | 95 | 40 | 175 |
| Potter County | 30 | 60 | 40 | 135 |
| Roberts County | 195 | 275 | 65 | 535 |
| Sanborn County | 35 | 35 | 50 | 120 |
| Spink County | 90 | 215 | 40 | 350 |
| Stanley County | 50 | 135 | 40 | 225 |
| Sully County | 20 | 60 | 40 | 120 |
| Todd County | 245 | 310 | 125 | 680 |
| Tripp County | 75 | 150 | 35 | 260 |
| Turner County | 130 | 175 | 45 | 350 |
| Union County | 270 | 750 | 50 | 1,070 |
| Walworth County | 105 | 195 | 75 | 370 |
| Yankton County | 305 | 985 | 40 | 1,330 |
| Ziebach County | 70 | 30 | 110 | 215 |

Please note: Data for labor supply components (unemployed, underemployed and discouraged workers) may not add to total labor supply due to rounding.

Source: Labor Market Information Center, South Dakota Department of Labor and Regulation.

See the **definition of labor supply**.

See **technical notes about labor supply estimates**.

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United States and South Dakota Labor Force

Seasonally Adjusted

| | July 2017 | | | | July 2016 | | | |
|---------------|-------------|-------------|------------|------|-------------|-------------|------------|------|
| Area | Labor Force | Employed | Unemployed | Rate | Labor Force | Employed | Unemployed | Rate |
| United States | 160,494,000 | 153,513,000 | 6,981,000 | 4.3% | 159,295,000 | 151,546,000 | 7,749,000 | 4.9% |
| South Dakota | 457,600 | 443,200 | 14,400 | 3.1% | 453,400 | 440,400 | 13,000 | 2.9% |

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Access historical labor force data.

See the **definition of labor force.**

See **technical notes about labor force data.**

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South Dakota and County Labor Force

Not Seasonally Adjusted

| Area | July 2017 | | | | July 2016 | | | |
|---------------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|-------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|-------------|
| | Labor Force | Employment | Unemployment | Rate | Labor Force | Employment | Unemployment | Rate |
| South Dakota | 465,313 | 451,272 | 14,041 | 3.0% | 462,389 | 450,478 | 11,911 | 2.6% |
| Aurora County | 1,565 | 1,530 | 35 | 2.2% | 1,603 | 1,574 | 29 | 1.8% |
| Beadle County | 9,736 | 9,481 | 255 | 2.6% | 9,736 | 9,520 | 216 | 2.2% |
| Bennett County | 1,138 | 1,087 | 51 | 4.5% | 1,176 | 1,137 | 39 | 3.3% |
| Bon Homme County | 3,049 | 2,964 | 85 | 2.8% | 3,137 | 3,061 | 76 | 2.4% |
| Brookings County | 19,059 | 18,417 | 642 | 3.4% | 18,823 | 18,300 | 523 | 2.8% |
| Brown County | 21,268 | 20,681 | 587 | 2.8% | 21,199 | 20,698 | 501 | 2.4% |
| Brule County | 2,581 | 2,507 | 74 | 2.9% | 2,586 | 2,530 | 56 | 2.2% |
| Buffalo County | 739 | 684 | 55 | 7.4% | 756 | 683 | 73 | 9.7% |
| Butte County | 5,133 | 4,972 | 161 | 3.1% | 5,188 | 5,038 | 150 | 2.9% |
| Campbell County | 882 | 857 | 25 | 2.8% | 906 | 886 | 20 | 2.2% |
| Charles Mix County | 4,064 | 3,916 | 148 | 3.6% | 4,168 | 4,038 | 130 | 3.1% |
| Clark County | 1,942 | 1,874 | 68 | 3.5% | 2,032 | 1,983 | 49 | 2.4% |
| Clay County | 6,585 | 6,328 | 257 | 3.9% | 6,547 | 6,343 | 204 | 3.1% |
| Codington County | 15,482 | 15,058 | 424 | 2.7% | 15,445 | 15,074 | 371 | 2.4% |
| Corson County | 1,439 | 1,364 | 75 | 5.2% | 1,530 | 1,448 | 82 | 5.4% |
| Custer County | 4,127 | 3,998 | 129 | 3.1% | 4,159 | 4,040 | 119 | 2.9% |
| Davison County | 11,444 | 11,154 | 290 | 2.5% | 11,485 | 11,268 | 217 | 1.9% |
| Day County | 2,981 | 2,887 | 94 | 3.2% | 3,004 | 2,899 | 105 | 3.5% |
| Deuel County | 2,252 | 2,183 | 69 | 3.1% | 2,421 | 2,350 | 71 | 2.9% |
| Dewey County | 2,375 | 2,011 | 364 | 15.3% | 2,376 | 2,039 | 337 | 14.2% |
| Douglas County | 1,756 | 1,711 | 45 | 2.6% | 1,775 | 1,742 | 33 | 1.9% |
| Edmunds County | 2,235 | 2,178 | 57 | 2.6% | 2,285 | 2,243 | 42 | 1.8% |
| Fall River County | 3,167 | 3,061 | 106 | 3.3% | 3,214 | 3,110 | 104 | 3.2% |
| Faulk County | 1,137 | 1,105 | 32 | 2.8% | 1,173 | 1,144 | 29 | 2.5% |
| Grant County | 4,634 | 4,508 | 126 | 2.7% | 4,542 | 4,430 | 112 | 2.5% |
| Gregory County | 2,132 | 2,066 | 66 | 3.1% | 2,163 | 2,114 | 49 | 2.3% |
| Haakon County | 1,154 | 1,126 | 28 | 2.4% | 1,165 | 1,143 | 22 | 1.9% |
| Hamlin County | 3,324 | 3,224 | 100 | 3.0% | 3,314 | 3,232 | 82 | 2.5% |

South Dakota and County Labor Force, continued

Not Seasonally Adjusted

| Area | July 2017 | | | | July 2016 | | | |
|----------------------|-------------|------------|--------------|-------|-------------|------------|--------------|-------|
| | Labor Force | Employment | Unemployment | Rate | Labor Force | Employment | Unemployment | Rate |
| Hand County | 1,795 | 1,747 | 48 | 2.7% | 1,948 | 1,911 | 37 | 1.9% |
| Hanson County | 1,807 | 1,749 | 58 | 3.2% | 1,852 | 1,799 | 53 | 2.9% |
| Harding County | 759 | 739 | 20 | 2.6% | 825 | 808 | 17 | 2.1% |
| Hughes County | 10,340 | 10,102 | 238 | 2.3% | 10,306 | 10,113 | 193 | 1.9% |
| Hutchinson County | 3,737 | 3,642 | 95 | 2.5% | 3,821 | 3,750 | 71 | 1.9% |
| Hyde County | 721 | 698 | 23 | 3.2% | 755 | 735 | 20 | 2.6% |
| Jackson County | 1,480 | 1,419 | 61 | 4.1% | 1,528 | 1,485 | 43 | 2.8% |
| Jerauld County | 1,099 | 1,074 | 25 | 2.3% | 1,123 | 1,103 | 20 | 1.8% |
| Jones County | 629 | 615 | 14 | 2.2% | 664 | 650 | 14 | 2.1% |
| Kingsbury County | 2,839 | 2,759 | 80 | 2.8% | 2,842 | 2,783 | 59 | 2.1% |
| Lake County | 6,414 | 6,193 | 221 | 3.4% | 6,406 | 6,215 | 191 | 3.0% |
| Lawrence County | 13,544 | 13,144 | 400 | 3.0% | 13,358 | 12,987 | 371 | 2.8% |
| Lincoln County | 31,809 | 31,099 | 710 | 2.2% | 31,175 | 30,631 | 544 | 1.7% |
| Lyman County | 1,890 | 1,787 | 103 | 5.4% | 1,925 | 1,827 | 98 | 5.1% |
| Marshall County | 2,504 | 2,418 | 86 | 3.4% | 2,592 | 2,521 | 71 | 2.7% |
| McCook County | 3,237 | 3,162 | 75 | 2.3% | 3,251 | 3,193 | 58 | 1.8% |
| McPherson County | 1,081 | 1,047 | 34 | 3.1% | 1,153 | 1,114 | 39 | 3.4% |
| Meade County | 14,225 | 13,798 | 427 | 3.0% | 13,943 | 13,592 | 351 | 2.5% |
| Mellette County | 776 | 730 | 46 | 5.9% | 822 | 787 | 35 | 4.3% |
| Miner County | 1,208 | 1,179 | 29 | 2.4% | 1,244 | 1,220 | 24 | 1.9% |
| Minnehaha County | 110,889 | 108,129 | 2,760 | 2.5% | 108,593 | 106,317 | 2,276 | 2.1% |
| Moody County | 4,006 | 3,822 | 184 | 4.6% | 4,134 | 3,930 | 204 | 4.9% |
| Oglala Lakota County | 3,694 | 3,213 | 481 | 13.0% | 3,724 | 3,243 | 481 | 12.9% |
| Pennington County | 58,120 | 56,422 | 1,698 | 2.9% | 56,674 | 55,275 | 1,399 | 2.5% |
| Perkins County | 1,656 | 1,613 | 43 | 2.6% | 1,691 | 1,648 | 43 | 2.5% |
| Potter County | 1,221 | 1,189 | 32 | 2.6% | 1,269 | 1,245 | 24 | 1.9% |
| Roberts County | 4,840 | 4,643 | 197 | 4.1% | 4,848 | 4,694 | 154 | 3.2% |
| Sanborn County | 1,201 | 1,164 | 37 | 3.1% | 1,280 | 1,251 | 29 | 2.3% |

South Dakota and County Labor Force, continued

Not Seasonally Adjusted

| Area | July 2017 | | | | July 2016 | | | |
|-----------------|-------------|------------|--------------|------|-------------|------------|--------------|------|
| | Labor Force | Employment | Unemployment | Rate | Labor Force | Employment | Unemployment | Rate |
| Spink County | 3,388 | 3,296 | 92 | 2.7% | 3,502 | 3,414 | 88 | 2.5% |
| Stanley County | 1,906 | 1,857 | 49 | 2.6% | 1,925 | 1,895 | 30 | 1.6% |
| Sully County | 888 | 866 | 22 | 2.5% | 928 | 914 | 14 | 1.5% |
| Todd County | 3,130 | 2,887 | 243 | 7.8% | 3,100 | 2,888 | 212 | 6.8% |
| Tripp County | 3,144 | 3,069 | 75 | 2.4% | 3,222 | 3,166 | 56 | 1.7% |
| Turner County | 4,797 | 4,665 | 132 | 2.8% | 4,826 | 4,719 | 107 | 2.2% |
| Union County | 8,090 | 7,818 | 272 | 3.4% | 8,080 | 7,853 | 227 | 2.8% |
| Walworth County | 2,278 | 2,173 | 105 | 4.6% | 2,299 | 2,205 | 94 | 4.1% |
| Yankton County | 11,795 | 11,488 | 307 | 2.6% | 11,839 | 11,577 | 262 | 2.2% |
| Ziebach County | 994 | 925 | 69 | 6.9% | 1,005 | 945 | 60 | 6.0% |

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South Dakota Area Labor Force

Not Seasonally Adjusted

| Area | July 2017 | | | | July 2016 | | | |
|-------------------|-------------|------------|--------------|-------|-------------|------------|--------------|-------|
| | Labor Force | Employment | Unemployment | Rate | Labor Force | Employment | Unemployment | Rate |
| Rapid City MSA | 76,472 | 74,218 | 2,254 | 2.9% | 74,776 | 72,907 | 1,869 | 2.5% |
| Sioux Falls MSA | 150,732 | 147,055 | 3,677 | 2.4% | 147,845 | 144,860 | 2,985 | 2.0% |
| Aberdeen MiSA | 23,503 | 22,859 | 644 | 2.7% | 23,484 | 22,941 | 543 | 2.3% |
| Brookings MiSA | 19,059 | 18,417 | 642 | 3.4% | 18,823 | 18,300 | 523 | 2.8% |
| Huron MiSA | 9,736 | 9,481 | 255 | 2.6% | 9,736 | 9,520 | 216 | 2.2% |
| Mitchell MiSA | 13,251 | 12,903 | 348 | 2.6% | 13,337 | 13,067 | 270 | 2.0% |
| Pierre MiSA | 13,134 | 12,825 | 309 | 2.4% | 13,159 | 12,922 | 237 | 1.8% |
| Spearfish MiSA | 13,544 | 13,144 | 400 | 3.0% | 13,358 | 12,987 | 371 | 2.8% |
| Vermillion MiSA | 6,585 | 6,328 | 257 | 3.9% | 6,547 | 6,343 | 204 | 3.1% |
| Watertown MiSA | 15,482 | 15,058 | 424 | 2.7% | 15,445 | 15,074 | 371 | 2.4% |
| Yankton MiSA | 11,795 | 11,488 | 307 | 2.6% | 11,839 | 11,577 | 262 | 2.2% |
| Dewey-Ziebach LMA | 3,369 | 2,936 | 433 | 12.9% | 3,381 | 2,984 | 397 | 11.7% |

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South Dakota City Labor Force

Not Seasonally Adjusted

| Areas | July 2017 | | | | July 2016 | | | |
|-------------------------|-------------|------------|--------------|------|-------------|------------|--------------|------|
| | Labor Force | Employment | Unemployment | Rate | Labor Force | Employment | Unemployment | Rate |
| Aberdeen | 15,353 | 14,913 | 440 | 2.9% | 15,323 | 14,925 | 398 | 2.6% |
| Brookings | 13,446 | 12,957 | 489 | 3.6% | 13,271 | 12,875 | 396 | 3.0% |
| Huron | 6,982 | 6,798 | 184 | 2.6% | 6,988 | 6,826 | 162 | 2.3% |
| Mitchell | 9,065 | 8,828 | 237 | 2.6% | 9,093 | 8,918 | 175 | 1.9% |
| Pierre | 8,416 | 8,222 | 194 | 2.3% | 8,384 | 8,231 | 153 | 1.8% |
| Rapid City | 38,110 | 37,023 | 1,087 | 2.9% | 37,287 | 36,271 | 1,016 | 2.7% |
| Sioux Falls | 102,530 | 99,965 | 2,565 | 2.5% | 100,421 | 98,316 | 2,105 | 2.1% |
| Sioux Falls - Lincoln | 15,616 | 15,290 | 326 | 2.1% | 15,307 | 15,060 | 247 | 1.6% |
| Sioux Falls - Minnehaha | 86,914 | 84,675 | 2,239 | 2.6% | 85,114 | 83,256 | 1,858 | 2.2% |
| Spearfish | 6,328 | 6,155 | 173 | 2.7% | 6,254 | 6,081 | 173 | 2.8% |
| Vermillion | 5,008 | 4,798 | 210 | 4.2% | 4,980 | 4,810 | 170 | 3.4% |
| Watertown | 12,043 | 11,709 | 334 | 2.8% | 12,043 | 11,722 | 321 | 2.7% |
| Yankton | 7,272 | 7,072 | 200 | 2.8% | 7,309 | 7,127 | 182 | 2.5% |

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South Dakota and Area Annualized Pay of Workers Covered by Unemployment Insurance

| January 2016 to December 2016 | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|----------|-------------------|----------|----------------------|----------|
| Statewide | \$41,168 | Douglas County | \$33,409 | McPherson County | \$29,905 |
| Rapid City MSA | \$39,591 | Edmunds County | \$36,989 | Marshall County | \$35,997 |
| Sioux Falls MSA | \$46,034 | Fall River County | \$34,987 | Meade County | \$38,511 |
| Aurora County | \$30,816 | Faulk County | \$32,297 | Mellette County | \$26,013 |
| Beadle County | \$38,330 | Grant County | \$38,487 | Miner County | \$31,986 |
| Bennett County | \$30,141 | Gregory County | \$29,715 | Minnehaha County | \$46,207 |
| Bon Homme County | \$32,659 | Haakon County | \$35,222 | Moody County | \$36,839 |
| Brookings County | \$41,457 | Hamlin County | \$34,922 | Oglala Lakota County | \$37,938 |
| Brown County | \$39,819 | Hand County | \$32,399 | Pennington County | \$39,972 |
| Brule County | \$30,776 | Hanson County | \$35,826 | Perkins County | \$30,627 |
| Buffalo County | \$36,673 | Harding County | \$39,036 | Potter County | \$32,951 |
| Butte County | \$32,613 | Hughes County | \$42,101 | Roberts County | \$33,133 |
| Campbell County | \$32,452 | Hutchinson County | \$33,505 | Sanborn County | \$31,197 |
| Charles Mix County | \$32,455 | Hyde County | \$38,185 | Spink County | \$35,474 |
| Clark County | \$32,075 | Jackson County | \$28,001 | Stanley County | \$34,303 |
| Clay County | \$35,944 | Jerauld County | \$34,848 | Sully County | \$34,611 |
| Codington County | \$37,192 | Jones County | \$28,347 | Todd County | \$35,578 |
| Corson County | \$34,813 | Kingsbury County | \$34,760 | Tripp County | \$32,930 |
| Custer County | \$33,552 | Lake County | \$38,026 | Turner County | \$33,168 |
| Davison County | \$37,682 | Lawrence County | \$33,274 | Union County | \$52,142 |
| Day County | \$30,020 | Lincoln County | \$47,049 | Walworth County | \$32,805 |
| Deuel County | \$39,661 | Lyman County | \$28,862 | Yankton County | \$39,490 |
| Dewey County | \$37,189 | McCook County | \$34,239 | Ziebach County | \$33,098 |

Source: Labor Market Information Center, South Dakota Department of Labor and Regulation. Produced in cooperation with the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Access [historical annual pay data](#).

See the [definition of covered workers](#).

See the [definition of Metropolitan Statistical Area \(MSA\)](#).

See [technical notes about the Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages](#), the program that makes this data possible.

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Activities of the Unemployment Insurance Division, South Dakota Department of Labor and Regulation

| Activities | July 2017 | June 2017 | July 2016 | Percent Change | |
|---------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|-------------------|--------------|
| | | | | Last Month | Last Year |
| Initial Claims | 693 | 759 | 1,117 | -8.7% | -38.0% |
| Weeks Claimed | 5,943 | 5,052 | 6,750 | 17.6% | -12.0% |
| Amount of Benefit Payments | \$1,461,086 | \$1,272,623 | \$1,334,338 | 14.8% | 9.5% |
| Unemployment Trust Fund Balance | \$116,465,608 | \$113,566,320 | \$106,651,117 | 2.6% | 9.2% |

Source: Unemployment Insurance Division, South Dakota Department of Labor and Regulation.

See the **definitions of terms used above**.

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Activities of the Job Services Offices of the South Dakota Department of Labor and Regulation

| Activities | July 2016 to June 2017 | July 2015 to June 2016 | Percent Change |
|-----------------------|------------------------|------------------------|----------------|
| Job Seekers | 56,053 | 54,543 | 2.8% |
| Entered Employments | n/a | n/a | n/a |
| Job Openings Received | 84,914 | 94,713 | -10.4% |

Please note: An n/a indicates data not available due to the transition to new reporting formulas.

Source: South Dakota Department of Labor and Regulation.

See the **definition of the terms used above**.

Find a **job service office**.

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Activities of the Unemployment Insurance Division of the South Dakota Department of Labor and Regulation Weeks Claimed

| July 2017 | | | | | |
|-------------|-----|------------|-----|---------------|-------|
| Aurora | 11 | Fall River | 27 | McPherson | 6 |
| Beadle | 79 | Faulk | 0 | Meade | 183 |
| Bennett | 3 | Grant | 31 | Mellette | 42 |
| Bon Homme | 23 | Gregory | 25 | Miner | 1 |
| Brookings | 263 | Haakon | 6 | Minnehaha | 1,195 |
| Brown | 238 | Hamlin | 50 | Moody | 42 |
| Brule | 26 | Hand | 7 | Oglala Lakota | 248 |
| Buffalo | 47 | Hanson | 22 | Pennington | 795 |
| Butte | 44 | Harding | 4 | Perkins | 8 |
| Campbell | 6 | Hughes | 55 | Potter | 5 |
| Charles Mix | 76 | Hutchinson | 16 | Roberts | 80 |
| Clark | 9 | Hyde | 4 | Sanborn | 19 |
| Clay | 70 | Jackson | 19 | Spink | 21 |
| Codington | 171 | Jerauld | 0 | Stanley | 13 |
| Corson | 54 | Jones | 0 | Sully | 2 |
| Custer | 31 | Kingsbury | 43 | Todd | 256 |
| Davison | 129 | Lake | 119 | Tripp | 20 |
| Day | 49 | Lawrence | 124 | Turner | 59 |
| Deuel | 10 | Lincoln | 254 | Union | 131 |
| Dewey | 238 | Lyman | 100 | Walworth | 57 |
| Douglas | 4 | Marshall | 27 | Yankton | 75 |
| Edmunds | 20 | McCook | 23 | Ziebach | 66 |

Source: Unemployment Insurance Division, South Dakota Department of Labor and Regulation.

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National Economic Indicators

| Indicators | July 2017 | June 2017 | July 2016 | Percent Change | |
|--|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------------|-----------|
| | | | | Last Month | Last Year |
| Consumer Price Index | 244.8 | 245.0 | 240.6 | -0.1% | 1.7% |
| Nonfarm Payroll Employment (not seasonally adjusted) | 146.4 | 147.4 | 144.2 | -0.7% | 1.5% |
| Privately Owned Housing Starts | 1,155 | 1,213 | 1,223 | -4.8% | -5.6% |
| Bank Prime Loan Rate | 4.25 | 4.13 | 3.50 | 2.9% | 21.4% |
| <p>Gross Domestic Product (Links to a Bureau of Economic Analysis news release containing the most recent data available.)</p> | | | | | |
| <p>Sources: Consumer Price Index and Nonfarm Payroll Employment (in thousands), U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. Privately Owned Housing Starts, U.S. Census Bureau. Bank Prime Loan Rate, Federal Reserve Board.</p> <p>See definitions of terms used above.</p> | | | | | |