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Labor Market Information Center

South Dakota Department of Labor

Overview of the labor market in November

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 83,050 in November 2010. 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.

Labor Force

This data is seasonally adjusted.

South Dakota's preliminary *seasonally adjusted* unemployment rate remained at 4.5 percent in November, up slightly from the revised October rate of 4.4 percent. The South Dakota *seasonally adjusted* unemployment rate has been trending generally downward since January 2010, from 4.8 percent to a low of 4.4 percent in June, July and September.

While a widely watched indicator of the current economy, over-the-month changes in labor force data can be variable and are subject to revision. Analysis of changes over longer time periods provides a more stable portrayal of labor force dynamics. South Dakota's preliminary *seasonally adjusted* November unemployment rate of 4.5 percent was down over the year, from the November 2009 rate of 4.7 percent.

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 where employment data is collected for the pay periods that occur during the 12th of the month, preliminary estimates show the level of nonfarm wage and salaried workers decreased by 1,900 (or 0.5 percent) from October 2010 to November 2010. The seasonal loss fell between previous years' historical losses during the same time frame.

Retail trade had the largest over-the-month expansion with a 1,000 (or 2.0 percent) worker gain. The October to November retail worker gain is respectable when compared to historical trends for the same time period. The retail trade worker gains are the result of businesses preparing for the traditional start of holiday shopping the day after Thanksgiving. This day has become known as Black Friday, as it is a good day for consumer traffic and sales, helping retailers have balance sheets running in the black. This annual event involves a large number of consumers actually lining up at store fronts for much earlier than normal opening hours as they compete for limited items marked with large discounts and a host of other goods discounted for that day only.

Leisure and hospitality along with mining and construction produced the largest over-the-month seasonal losses. Leisure and hospitality showed a decline of 1,300 workers (or 3.0 percent). This is likely related to tourist destinations closing or reducing staff in response to the decrease in visitors as colder weather occurs. Mining and construction showed a decrease of 1,000 jobs (or 4.5 percent), as cold weather stopped many construction projects.

Over-the-year comparisons

Based on a monthly survey of South Dakota establishments, preliminary estimates show total nonfarm wage and salaried workers increased by 3,800 (or 0.9 percent) from November 2009 to November 2010.

As the estimates for the fourth quarter of 2009 (October, November and December) have not yet been benchmarked, the comparison of the November 2010 estimates to the non-benchmarked November 2009 estimates will likely show greater volatility, especially at the industry sector level. Therefore, the end-of-the-year benchmark revisions are expected to show noticeable changes in several industry sectors.

Preliminary benchmark results

As customary, preliminary South Dakota total nonfarm benchmarked results are posted at this time to show the amount/degree of estimation revisions likely to occur by the final benchmarking (which will be published in February 2011).

Each year, the employment estimates from the survey used to collect nonfarm wage and salaried worker data are benchmarked to comprehensive counts of employment for the month of March. As customary, the following preliminary benchmark revisions are being released so over-the-year growth can be compared more accurately. The final CES benchmark revisions will be published in February 2011 with the publication of January 2011 employment data. The South Dakota Labor Market Information Center would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the South Dakota businesses whose reporting made these low revision rates possible.

Preliminary benchmark results show the following:

- **January 2010**, South Dakota total nonfarm will likely be revised downward by 700 workers (or 0.2 percent).
- **February 2010**, South Dakota total nonfarm will likely be revised upward by 400 workers (or 0.1 percent).
- **March 2010**, South Dakota total nonfarm will likely be revised downward by 300 workers (or 0.1 percent).

- **April 2010**, South Dakota total nonfarm will likely be revised upward by 300 workers (or 0.1 percent).
- **May 2010**, South Dakota total nonfarm will likely be revised downward by 200 workers (or 0.0 percent).
- **June 2010**, South Dakota total nonfarm will likely be revised downward by 500 workers (or 0.1 percent).

Total nonfarm levels are usually fairly close to their final benchmarked levels, but individual industries usually show more volatility than the summed total nonfarm due to a control total methodology implemented by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS). This methodology change was designed to bring the aggregate employment change across states in closer alignment with the change in the national nonfarm employment level.

Note: National preliminary benchmarking shows the March 2010 estimate of national total nonfarm workers will likely be revised downward by 366,000 workers (or 0.3 percent). [Click here](#) for national preliminary benchmarking results.

Cautionary note to users

Revised methodology procedures mandated by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) may result in unusually large month-to-month employment changes among individual sectors and total state nonfarm levels. These variable movements are due to procedural changes implemented by the BLS which are designed to bring the aggregate employment change across states in closer alignment with the change in the national nonfarm employment level.

South Dakota Nonfarm Worker Levels

Not Seasonally Adjusted

<u>Industries</u>	<u>November 2010</u>	<u>October 2010</u>	<u>November 2009</u>	<u>% Chg Last Month</u>	<u>% Chg Last Year</u>
TOTAL	407,700	409,600	403,900	-0.5	0.9
Total Private	328,000	330,000	325,100	-0.6	0.9
Goods Producing	60,000	61,200	59,200	-2.0	1.4
Service Providing	347,700	348,400	344,700	-0.2	0.9
Private Service Providing	268,000	268,800	265,900	-0.3	0.8
Mining/Logging/Const	21,300	22,300	21,800	-4.5	-2.3
Manufacturing	38,700	38,900	37,400	-0.5	3.5
Trade Trans/Util	83,000	82,000	81,800	1.2	1.5
Wholesale Trade	19,500	19,500	18,300	0.0	6.6
Retail Trade	50,300	49,300	50,700	2.0	-0.8
Trans/Warehsing/Util	13,200	13,200	12,800	0.0	3.1
Information	6,800	6,800	6,700	0.0	1.5
Financial Activities	28,100	28,100	29,900	0.0	-6.0
Prof Bus Services	27,000	27,600	25,400	-2.2	6.3
Education/Health Svc	64,500	64,300	64,700	0.3	-0.3
Educational Services	7,700	7,500	7,100	2.7	8.5
Hlth Care/Soc Assist	56,800	56,800	57,600	0.0	-1.4
Leisure/Hospitality	42,600	43,900	41,800	-3.0	1.9
Other Services	16,000	16,100	15,600	-0.6	2.6
Government	79,700	79,600	78,800	0.1	1.1
Federal	11,500	11,500	11,400	0.0	0.9
State	19,000	19,000	19,100	0.0	-0.5
State Education	10,100	10,000	10,100	1.0	0.0
Local	49,200	49,100	48,300	0.2	1.9
Local Education	26,600	26,400	26,700	0.8	-0.4

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Rapid City Metropolitan Statistical Area Nonfarm Worker Levels

Not Seasonally Adjusted

<u>Industries</u>	<u>November 2010</u>	<u>October 2010</u>	<u>November 2009</u>	<u>% Chg Last Month</u>	<u>% Chg Last Year</u>
Rapid City MSA Total	61,600	61,900	59,900	-0.5	2.8
Total Private	50,300	50,700	48,900	-0.8	2.9
Goods Producing	7,100	7,300	7,200	-2.7	-1.4
Service-Providing	54,500	54,600	52,700	-0.2	3.4
Private Service Providing	43,200	43,400	41,700	-0.5	3.6
Natural Resources/Mining/Construction	4,600	4,800	4,700	-4.2	-2.1
Manufacturing	2,500	2,500	2,500	0.0	0.0
Trade/Transportation/Utilities	13,300	13,000	13,000	2.3	2.3
-Wholesale Trade	2,200	2,200	2,100	0.0	4.8
-Retail Trade	9,000	8,700	9,000	3.4	0.0
-Transportation/Warehousing/Utilities	2,100	2,100	1,900	0.0	10.5
Information	1,000	1,000	1,000	0.0	0.0
Financial Activities	3,500	3,500	3,700	0.0	-5.4
Professional/Business Services	4,800	4,900	4,400	-2.0	9.1
Educational/Health Services	9,700	9,700	9,500	0.0	2.1
Leisure/Hospitality	8,200	8,600	7,500	-4.7	9.3
Other Services	2,700	2,700	2,600	0.0	3.8
Government	11,300	11,200	11,000	0.9	2.7

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Sioux Falls Metropolitan Statistical Area Nonfarm Worker Levels

Not Seasonally Adjusted

<u>Industries</u>	<u>November 2010</u>	<u>October 2010</u>	<u>November 2009</u>	<u>% Chg Last Month</u>	<u>% Chg Last Year</u>
Sioux Falls MSA Total	134,500	134,300	134,100	0.1	0.3
Total Private	121,300	121,100	120,900	0.2	0.3
Goods Producing	19,200	19,500	19,300	-1.5	-0.5
Service-Providing	115,300	114,800	114,800	0.4	0.4
Private Service Providing	102,100	101,600	101,600	0.5	0.5
Natural Resources/Mining/Construction	6,900	7,200	7,200	-4.2	-4.2
Manufacturing	12,300	12,300	12,100	0.0	1.7
Trade/Transportation/Utilities	28,800	28,400	28,600	1.4	0.7
-Wholesale Trade	6,900	6,900	6,600	0.0	4.5
-Retail Trade	16,800	16,400	17,000	2.4	-1.2
-Transportation/Warehousing/Utilities	5,100	5,100	5,000	0.0	2.0
Information	3,100	3,100	3,000	0.0	3.3
Financial Activities	15,000	15,000	16,100	0.0	-6.8
Professional/Business Services	11,400	11,400	10,700	0.0	6.5
Educational/Health Services	26,600	26,400	25,900	0.8	2.7
Leisure/Hospitality	12,600	12,700	12,600	-0.8	0.0
Other Services	4,600	4,600	4,700	0.0	-2.1
Government	13,200	13,200	13,200	0.0	0.0

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South Dakota Statistical Areas Nonfarm Worker Levels

Not Seasonally Adjusted

<u>Areas</u>	<u>November 2010</u>	<u>November 2009</u>
Aberdeen MiSA	22,920	22,605
Brookings MiSA	18,890	18,770
Huron MiSA	8,550	8,475
Mitchell MiSA	12,965	12,865
Pierre MiSA	12,455	12,070
Spearfish MiSA	12,305	12,075
Vermillion MiSA	7,390	7,480
Watertown MiSA	17,245	17,240
Yankton MiSA	12,610	12,510
Rapid City MSA	61,600	59,900
Sioux Falls MSA	134,500	134,100
Dewey-Ziebach LMA	2,550	2,500
Aurora County	895	835
Bennett County	895	970
Bon Homme County	1,925	1,955
Brule County	2,410	2,385
Buffalo County	510	500
Butte County	2,885	2,850
Campbell County	465	470
Charles Mix County	3,615	3,530
Clark County	930	910
Corson County	975	955
Custer County	2,365	2,365
Day County	1,995	2,020
Deuel County	1,515	1,625
Douglas County	1,215	1,195
Fall River County	2,745	2,695
Faulk County	600	600
Grant County	3,850	3,825
Gregory County	1,560	1,580
Haakon County	755	770
Hand County	1,265	1,290
Harding County	460	440
Hutchinson County	2,730	2,685
Hyde County	575	570
Jackson County	685	655
Jerauld County	1,505	1,425
Jones County	495	505
Kingsbury County	1,755	1,730
Lake County	4,745	4,845
Lyman County	1,610	1,585
McPherson County	675	665
Marshall County	1,430	1,390
Mellette County	395	360
Miner County	845	890
Moody County	2,140	2,170

Perkins County	1,175	1,190
Potter County	915	870
Roberts County	3,715	3,715
Sanborn County	680	700
Shannon County	4,045	4,050
Spink County	2,520	2,495
Sully County	490	495
Todd County	3,310	3,180
Tripp County	2,220	2,210
Union County	8,840	8,800
Walworth County	2,420	2,365

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South Dakota Labor Supply

November 2010

South Dakota	166,100	Hanson County	175
Rapid City MSA	13,300	Harding County	85
Sioux Falls MSA	23,385	Hughes County	1,800
Aurora County	195	Hutchinson County	450
Beadle County	1,495	Hyde County	95
Bennett County	490	Jackson County	460
Bon Homme County	490	Jerauld County	220
Brookings County	3,105	Jones County	110
Brown County	3,405	Kingsbury County	350
Brule County	470	Lake County	900
Buffalo County	485	Lawrence County	2,655
Butte County	695	Hanson County	175
Campbell County	80	Harding County	85
Charles Mix County	820	Hughes County	1,800
Clark County	235	Hutchinson County	450
Clay County	1,725	Hyde County	95
Codington County	2,575	Jackson County	460
Corson County	480	Jerauld County	220
Custer County	1,120	Jones County	110
Davison County	2,145	Kingsbury County	350
Day County	455	Lake County	900
Deuel County	340	Lawrence County	2,655
Dewey County	1,155	Lyman County	485
Douglas County	200	McPherson County	180
Edmunds County	270	Marshall County	315
Fall River County	705	Mellette County	185
Faulk County	140	Miner County	160
Grant County	630	Moody County	610
Gregory County	300	Perkins County	205
Haakon County	115	Potter County	170
Hamlin County	405	Roberts County	1,100
Hand County	245		

United States & South Dakota

Seasonally Adjusted

Labor Force

<u>Areas</u>	November 2010*				November 2009			
	<u>Labor Force</u>	<u>Employment</u>	<u>Unemployment</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Labor Force</u>	<u>Employment</u>	<u>Unemployment</u>	<u>Rate</u>
United States	154,007,000	138,888,000	15,119,000	9.8%	153,720,000	138,381,000	15,340,000	10.0%
South Dakota	443,500	423,600	19,800	4.5%	445,400	424,500	21,000	4.7%

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South Dakota & Counties

Not Seasonally Adjusted

Labor Force

<u>Areas</u>	<u>November 2010</u>				<u>November 2009</u>			
	<u>Labor Force</u>	<u>Employment</u>	<u>Unemployment</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Labor Force</u>	<u>Employment</u>	<u>Unemployment</u>	<u>Rate</u>
SOUTH DAKOTA	442,200	422,930	19,270	4.4	444,940	425,265	19,675	4.4
Aurora County	1,610	1,535	75	4.5	1,530	1,475	55	3.6
Beadle County	9,650	9,305	345	3.6	9,845	9,510	335	3.4
Bennett County	1,415	1,335	80	5.7	1,450	1,375	75	5.0
Bon Homme County	3,065	2,915	150	4.9	3,075	2,935	140	4.6
Brookings County	19,285	18,605	680	3.5	19,480	18,780	700	3.6
Brown County	21,305	20,600	705	3.3	21,370	20,710	660	3.1
Brule County	2,930	2,835	95	3.2	2,830	2,740	90	3.2
Buffalo County	525	450	75	14.0	515	435	80	15.9
Butte County	5,415	5,195	220	4.0	5,450	5,215	235	4.3
Campbell County	870	840	30	3.3	885	845	40	4.3
Charles Mix County	4,200	4,010	190	4.5	4,230	4,030	200	4.8
Clark County	1,850	1,775	75	4.0	1,785	1,715	70	4.0
Clay County	7,760	7,475	285	3.7	7,945	7,655	290	3.7
Codington County	15,895	15,290	605	3.8	16,100	15,315	785	4.9
Corson County	1,460	1,355	105	7.3	1,430	1,350	80	5.7
Custer County	4,460	4,230	230	5.2	4,580	4,345	235	5.2
Davison County	11,060	10,675	385	3.5	11,245	10,825	420	3.8
Day County	2,830	2,675	155	5.4	2,895	2,750	145	5.0
Deuel County	2,575	2,445	130	5.1	2,740	2,605	135	5.0
Dewey County	2,715	2,415	300	11.1	2,575	2,340	235	9.2
Douglas County	1,820	1,750	70	3.9	1,770	1,710	60	3.4
Edmunds County	2,070	2,005	65	3.2	2,070	2,015	55	2.8
Fall River County	3,710	3,540	170	4.6	3,805	3,575	230	6.0
Faulk County	1,160	1,120	40	3.3	1,180	1,145	35	3.0
Grant County	4,230	4,060	170	4.0	4,160	4,015	145	3.4
Gregory County	2,415	2,330	85	3.5	2,405	2,320	85	3.5
Haakon County	1,165	1,130	35	2.9	1,170	1,135	35	3.2
Hamlin County	2,875	2,755	120	4.2	2,885	2,760	125	4.3
Hand County	1,925	1,870	55	2.9	1,970	1,910	60	2.9
Hanson County	1,950	1,865	85	4.3	1,970	1,890	80	4.1
Harding County	840	810	30	3.5	800	780	20	2.3
Hughes County	10,475	10,165	310	3.0	10,390	10,095	295	2.9
Hutchinson County	3,815	3,685	130	3.5	3,765	3,635	130	3.5
Hyde County	780	750	30	3.6	765	740	25	3.0
Jackson County	1,160	1,070	90	7.6	1,200	1,100	100	8.2
Jerauld County	1,450	1,410	40	2.8	1,400	1,365	35	2.6
Jones County	700	680	20	3.1	695	675	20	2.9
Kingsbury County	2,970	2,835	135	4.5	3,045	2,900	145	4.7
Lake County	6,540	6,215	325	5.0	6,680	6,330	350	5.2
Lawrence County	13,550	13,005	545	4.0	13,595	13,020	575	4.2
Lincoln County	21,665	20,840	825	3.8	21,985	21,130	855	3.9
Lyman County	2,045	1,945	100	4.9	2,040	1,930	110	5.3
McCook County	2,690	2,555	135	4.9	2,740	2,595	145	5.3

McPherson County	1,170	1,110	60	5.3	1,180	1,120	60	5.2
Marshall County	2,105	2,010	95	4.6	2,095	1,990	105	5.1
Meade County	12,270	11,675	595	4.8	12,100	11,565	535	4.4
Mellette County	915	875	40	4.5	910	855	55	5.8
Miner County	1,240	1,180	60	5.0	1,280	1,220	60	4.8
Minnehaha County	99,230	94,770	4,460	4.5	100,745	96,085	4,660	4.6
Moody County	3,885	3,655	230	6.0	3,970	3,730	240	6.1
Pennington County	54,680	52,170	2,510	4.6	54,285	51,685	2,600	4.8
Perkins County	1,625	1,570	55	3.5	1,660	1,605	55	3.4
Potter County	1,335	1,280	55	4.0	1,305	1,260	45	3.4
Roberts County	4,940	4,700	240	4.9	4,775	4,555	220	4.6
Sanborn County	1,375	1,325	50	3.7	1,410	1,365	45	3.3
Shannon County	3,940	3,460	480	12.2	3,955	3,555	400	10.2
Spink County	3,510	3,390	120	3.4	3,495	3,380	115	3.2
Stanley County	1,940	1,875	65	3.4	1,910	1,860	50	2.7
Sully County	1,015	985	30	2.9	1,005	985	20	2.1
Todd County	3,740	3,475	265	7.1	3,475	3,250	225	6.5
Tripp County	3,010	2,900	110	3.7	2,990	2,900	90	3.0
Turner County	4,165	3,990	175	4.2	4,240	4,045	195	4.6
Union County	7,925	7,560	365	4.6	8,225	7,785	440	5.4
Walworth County	2,770	2,635	135	4.9	2,720	2,610	110	4.0
Yankton County	11,645	11,145	500	4.3	11,895	11,330	565	4.7
Ziebach County	885	840	45	5.0	870	815	55	6.3

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South Dakota Areas

Not Seasonally Adjusted

Labor Force

<u>Areas</u>	November 2010*				November 2009			
	<u>Labor Force</u>	<u>Employment</u>	<u>Unemployment</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Labor Force</u>	<u>Employment</u>	<u>Unemployment</u>	<u>Rate</u>
Rapid City MSA	66,945	63,845	3,100	4.6	66,390	63,255	3,135	4.7
Sioux Falls MSA	127,750	122,160	5,590	4.4	129,710	123,855	5,855	4.5
Aberdeen MiSA	23,375	22,605	770	3.3	23,440	22,725	715	3.1
Brookings MiSA	19,285	18,605	680	3.5	19,480	18,780	700	3.6
Huron MiSA	9,650	9,305	345	3.6	9,845	9,510	335	3.4
Mitchell MiSA	13,005	12,540	465	3.6	13,215	12,710	505	3.8
Pierre MiSA	12,415	12,040	375	3.0	12,305	11,955	350	2.8
Spearfish MiSA	13,550	13,005	545	4.0	13,595	13,020	575	4.2
Vermillion MiSA	7,760	7,475	285	3.7	7,945	7,655	290	3.7
Watertown MiSA	18,770	18,045	725	3.9	18,985	18,075	910	4.8
Yankton MiSA	11,645	11,145	500	4.3	11,895	11,330	565	4.7
Dewey-Ziebach LMA	3,600	3,255	345	9.6	3,445	3,155	290	8.4

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South Dakota Cities

Not Seasonally Adjusted

Labor Force

<u>Areas</u>	November 2010*			<u>Rate</u>
	<u>Labor Force</u>	<u>Employment</u>	<u>Unemployment</u>	
Aberdeen City	14,965	14,430	535	3.6%
Brookings City	12,995	12,530	465	3.6%
Huron City	6,850	6,590	260	3.8%
Mitchell City	8,745	8,430	315	3.6%
Pierre City	8,795	8,520	275	3.1%
Rapid City City	36,250	34,335	1,915	5.3%
Sioux Falls City	86,330	82,340	3,990	4.6%
Sioux Falls City - Lincoln	7,420	7,090	330	4.4%
Sioux Falls City - Minnehaha	78,915	75,250	3,665	4.6%
Spearfish City	5,855	5,585	270	4.6%
Vermillion City	6,090	5,880	210	3.4%
Watertown City	12,560	12,045	515	4.1%
Yankton City	7,560	7,225	335	4.5%

*Data is preliminary and subject to revision. Data may not sum to totals because of rounding.

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South Dakota Annualized Pay of Covered Workers

April 2009 to March 2010*

Statewide	\$33,395	Hutchinson County	\$26,070
Rapid City MSA	\$32,940	Hyde County	\$28,550
Sioux Falls MSA	\$37,496	Jackson County	\$24,284
Aurora County	\$25,433	Jerauld County	\$28,165
Beadle County	\$31,039	Jones County	\$21,799
Bennett County	\$24,318	Kingsbury County	\$28,793
Bon Homme County	\$25,672	Lake County	\$29,345
Brookings County	\$33,699	Lawrence County	\$28,220
Brown County	\$33,171	Lincoln County	\$37,031
Brule County	\$24,321	Lyman County	\$24,171
Buffalo County	\$35,807	McCook County	\$24,972
Butte County	\$26,339	McPherson County	\$24,299
Campbell County	\$23,212	Marshall County	\$27,314
Charles Mix County	\$26,129	Meade County	\$32,559
Clark County	\$26,093	Mellette County	\$22,257
Clay County	\$30,274	Miner County	\$26,399
Codington County	\$31,296	Minnehaha County	\$37,702
Corson County	\$28,671	Moody County	\$32,036
Custer County	\$27,492	Pennington County	\$32,991
Davison County	\$30,375	Perkins County	\$24,310
Day County	\$23,914	Potter County	\$27,057
Deuel County	\$33,402	Roberts County	\$26,574
Dewey County	\$30,208	Sanborn County	\$26,100
Douglas County	\$26,343	Shannon County	\$33,562
Edmunds County	\$28,804	Spink County	\$28,613
Fall River County	\$29,294	Stanley County	\$26,272
Faulk County	\$26,987	Sully County	\$27,197
Grant County	\$30,986	Todd County	\$29,913
Gregory County	\$23,605	Tripp County	\$26,194
Haakon County	\$26,446	Turner County	\$37,231
Hamlin County	\$27,638	Union County	\$39,296
Hand County	\$26,095	Walworth County	\$25,566
Hanson County	\$27,622	Yankton County	\$32,326
Harding County	\$29,824	Ziebach County	\$29,669
Hughes County	\$34,844		

*This data is updated quarterly.

South Dakota Local Office Activities

	October 2009 - September 2010	October 2008 - September 2009	% Chg Last Year
<u>Activities</u>			
Job Seekers	94,302	90,701	3.9%
Entered Employments	30,144	26,758	12.7%
Job Openings Received	64,144	61,504	4.3%

South Dakota Department of Labor Unemployment Insurance Activities

	November 2010	October 2010	November 2009	% Chg Last Month	% Chg Last Year
<u>Unemployment Insurance Activities</u>					
Initial Claims	3,361	1,926	3,006	74.5%	11.8%
Weeks Claimed	12,817	10,898	20,999	17.6%	-39.0%
Amount of Benefit Payments	\$2,570,264	\$1,854,579	\$3,904,168	38.6%	-34.2%
Unemployment Trust Fund Balance	\$28,819,330	\$26,586,183	\$1,160	8.4%	N/A

Unemployment Insurance Weeks Claimed South Dakota Residents By County

November 2010

Aurora	20	Fall River	106	Meade	508
Beadle	260	Faulk	7	Mellette	7
Bennett	26	Grant	73	Miner	52
Bon Homme	64	Gregory	47	Minnehaha	3368
Brookings	328	Haakon	6	Moody	109
Brown	328	Hamlin	81	Pennington	2222
Brule	33	Hand	23	Perkins	21
Buffalo	61	Hanson	43	Potter	52
Butte	160	Hughes	149	Roberts	152
Campbell	7	Hutchinson	36	Harding	4
Charles Mix	79	Hyde	8	Sanborn	18
Clark	31	Jackson	77	Shannon	323
Clay	119	Jerauld	16	Spink	45
Codington	397	Jones	8	Stanley	57
Corson	43	Kingsbury	91	Sully	18
Custer	178	Lake	212	Todd	256
Davison	196	Lawrence	380	Tripp	39
Day	104	Lincoln	463	Turner	107
Deuel	77	Lyman	36	Union	198
Dewey	152	McCook	96	Walworth	91
Douglas	35	McPherson	36	Yankton	266
Edmunds	16	Marshall	61	Ziebach	9

National Economic Indicators

	November 2010	October 2010	November 2009	% Chg Last Month	% Chg Last Year
Consumer Price Index	218.8	218.7	216.3	0.0%	1.2%
Nonfarm Payroll Employment	131.8	131.6	131.0	0.2%	0.6%
Privately Owned Housing Starts	555	534	589	3.9%	-5.8%
Bank Prime Loan Rate	3.25	3.25	3.25	0.0%	0.0%