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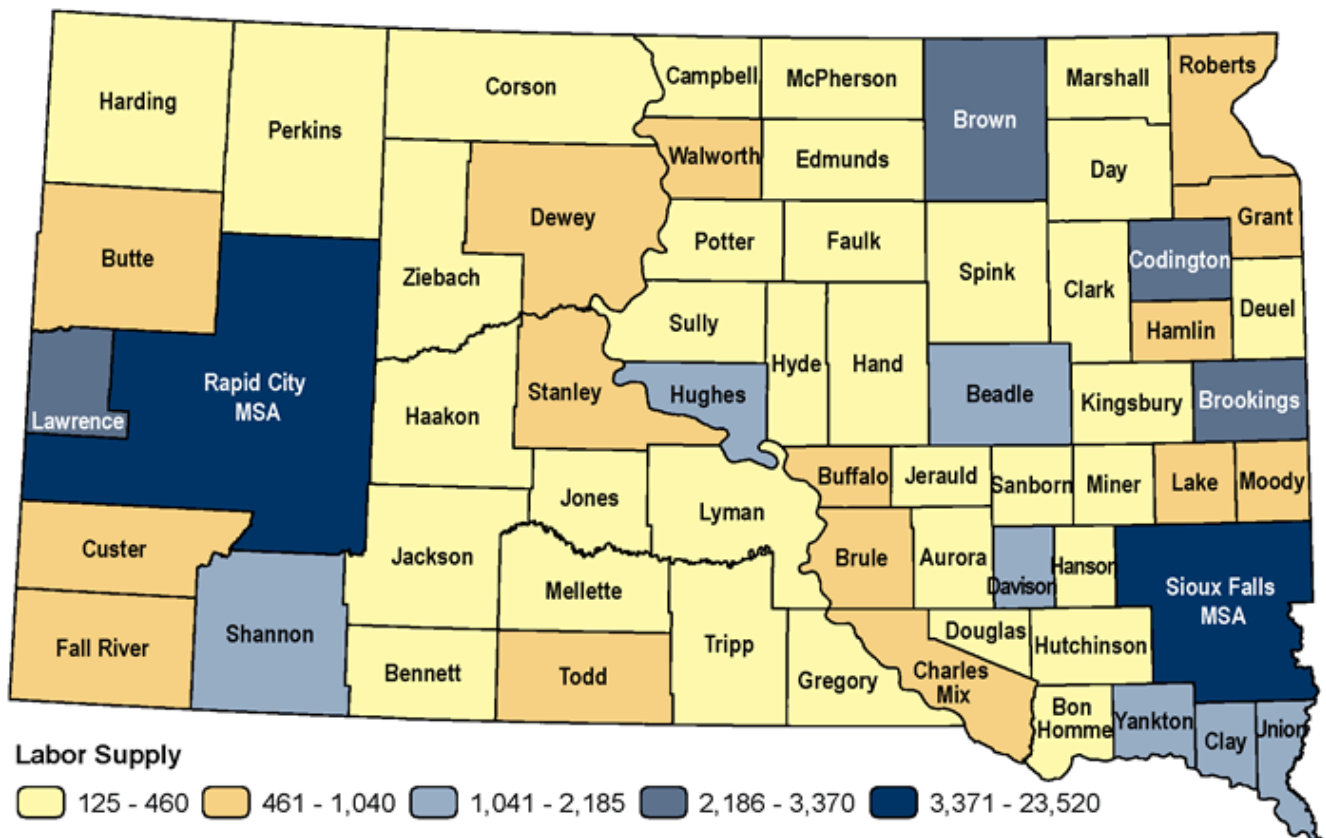
Overview of the labor market in September

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 82,765 in September 2012. 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.

The following map shows labor supply estimates by county.

South Dakota Labor Supply September 2012



Labor Force

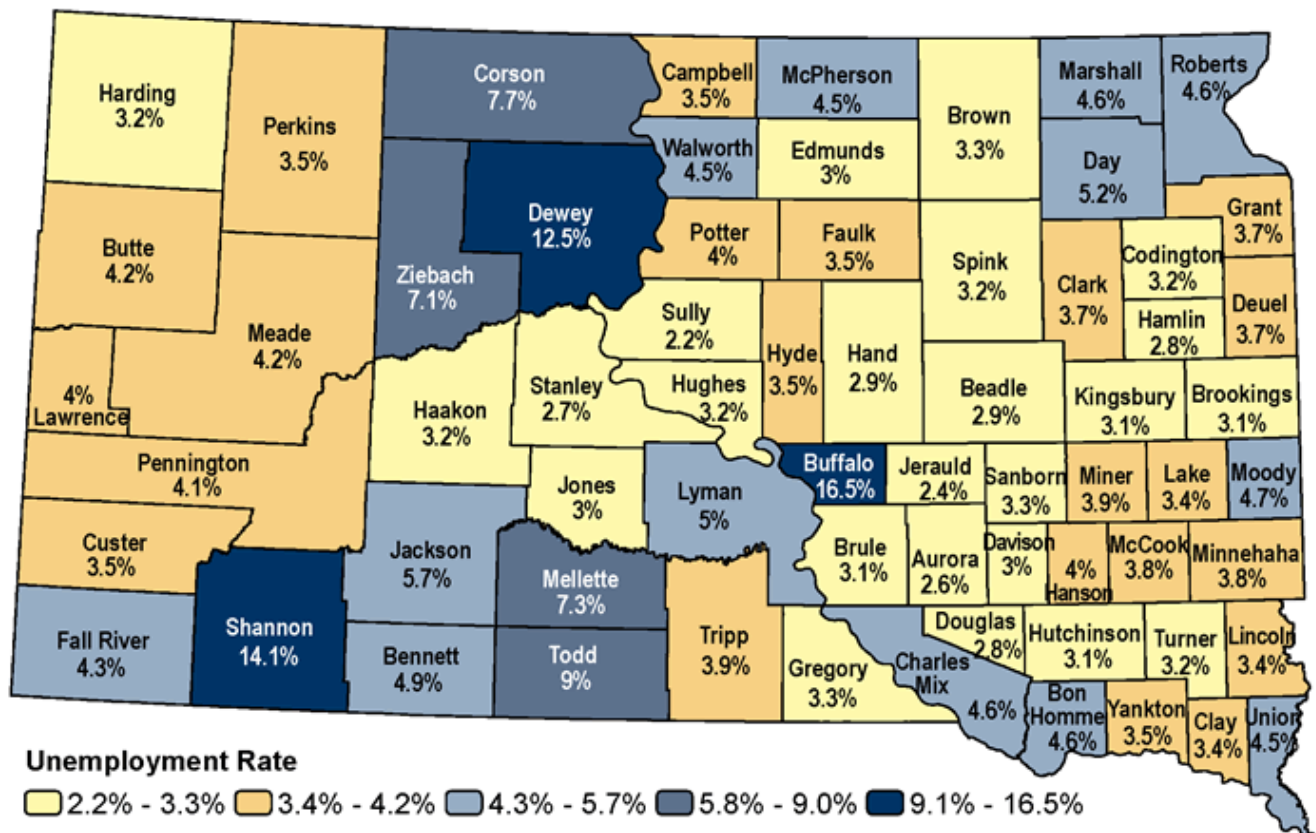
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Preliminary estimates show the September 2012 South Dakota labor force increased over the month, with the level of employed increasing by 500 (0.1 percent). The level of unemployed was unchanged.

Nationally, the unemployment rate declined by 0.3 percentage point to 7.8 percent in September. For the first eight months of the year, the rate held within a narrow range of 8.1 and 8.3 percent. The number of unemployed persons, at 12.1 million, decreased by 456,000 in September.

South Dakota's September 2012 labor force of 442,600 decreased compared to the September 2011 level. The level of unemployed decreased by 400 (2.0 percent) to 19,700; the level of employed decreased by 3,000 persons (0.7 percent).

South Dakota Unemployment Rates by County
Not seasonally adjusted
September 2012



For comparison purposes, the statewide *not seasonally adjusted* unemployment rate for September 2012 was 3.9 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, preliminary estimates show the total nonfarm wage and salaried worker level is 412,300. Compared to the August 2012 estimate of 417,500, the worker level decreased by 5,200 (1.2 percent) over the month.

Leisure and hospitality had a large over-the-month decrease of 5,200 (10.4 percent). This large decrease is typical and usually corresponds with the fall season as school starts. In September 2011, leisure and hospitality had an over-the-month decrease of 12.4 percent.

Industries showing over-the-month seasonal decreases include trade, transportation and utilities (1,900 workers or 2.2 percent), and professional and business services (1,300 workers or 4.3 percent).

Over-the-year comparisons

Total nonfarm wage and salaried workers increased by 4,400 (1.1 percent) when comparing the September 2012 worker level of 412,300 to the September 2011 level of 407,900.

Industries adding the most workers included: leisure and hospitality; educational and health services; manufacturing; and wholesale trade.

Leisure and hospitality showed an over-the-year gain of 1,700 workers (3.9 percent). This sector continues to show an over-the-year growth trend that started emerging in June 2012.

Educational and health services showed an over-the-year gain of 1,500 workers (2.3 percent). Most of this growth occurred within the healthcare and social assistance subsector.

Manufacturing increased by 1,200 workers (3.1 percent). This growth is typical for this time of year. In September 2011, manufacturing increased over the year by 1,800 (4.8 percent). The manufacturing sector has continued to trend upward since February 2010.

Wholesale trade had an increase of 700 workers (3.7 percent).

South Dakota Nonfarm Worker Levels

Not Seasonally Adjusted

<u>Industries</u>	<u>September 2012</u>	<u>August 2012</u>	<u>September 2011</u>	<u>% Chg Last Month</u>	<u>% Chg Last Year</u>
Statewide Total	412,300	417,500	407,900	-1.2	1.1
Total Private	335,400	344,700	330,900	-2.7	1.4
Goods Producing	62,200	62,700	62,100	-0.8	0.2
Service Providing	350,100	354,800	345,800	-1.3	1.2
Private Service Providing	273,200	282,000	268,800	-3.1	1.6
Mining/Logging/Construction	21,800	22,400	22,900	-2.7	-4.8
Manufacturing	40,400	40,300	39,200	0.2	3.1
Trade/Transportation/Utilities	82,800	84,700	82,200	-2.2	0.7
Wholesale Trade	19,400	19,500	18,700	-0.5	3.7
Retail Trade	50,600	52,000	50,500	-2.7	0.2
Transportation/Warehousing/Utilities	12,800	13,200	13,000	-3.0	-1.5
Information	6,100	6,200	6,300	-1.6	-3.2
Financial Activities	28,100	28,300	27,500	-0.7	2.2
Professional Business Services	29,100	30,400	28,700	-4.3	1.4
Educational/Health Services	66,900	66,900	65,400	0.0	2.3
Educational Services	7,600	7,000	7,300	8.6	4.1
Health Care/Social Assistance	59,300	59,900	58,100	-1.0	2.1
Leisure/Hospitality	44,900	50,100	43,200	-10.4	3.9
Other Services	15,300	15,400	15,500	-0.6	-1.3
Government	76,900	72,800	77,000	5.6	-0.1
Federal	11,600	11,600	11,500	0.0	0.9
State	18,600	16,900	18,500	10.1	0.5
State Education	9,600	7,000	9,500	37.1	1.1
Local	46,700	44,300	47,000	5.4	-0.6
Local Education	25,600	19,600	24,700	30.6	3.6

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Rapid City Metropolitan Statistical Area Nonfarm Worker Levels

Not Seasonally Adjusted

<u>Industries</u>	<u>September 2012</u>	<u>August 2012</u>	<u>September 2011</u>	<u>% Chg Last Month</u>	<u>% Chg Last Year</u>
TOTAL	62,600	65,800	62,300	-4.9	0.5
Total Private	52,200	56,400	52,000	-7.4	0.4
Goods Producing	7,100	7,200	7,300	-1.4	-2.7
Service Providing	55,500	58,600	55,000	-5.3	0.9
Private Service Providing	45,100	49,200	44,700	-8.3	0.9
Mining/Logging/Construction	4,600	4,700	4,700	-2.1	-2.1
Manufacturing	2,500	2,500	2,600	0.0	-3.8
Trade/Transportation/Utilities	12,700	13,700	12,900	-7.3	-1.6
-Wholesale Trade	2,000	2,100	2,000	-4.8	0.0
-Retail Trade	9,000	9,800	9,100	-8.2	-1.1
-	1,700	1,800	1,800	-5.6	-5.6
Transportation/Warehousing/Utilities					
Information	900	900	900	0.0	0.0
Financial Activities	3,800	3,900	3,800	-2.6	0.0
Professional/Business Services	5,100	5,400	5,100	-5.6	0.0
Educational/Health Services	10,300	10,600	10,100	-2.8	2.0
Leisure/Hospitality	9,500	11,800	9,100	-19.5	4.4
Other Services	2,800	2,900	2,800	-3.4	0.0
Government	10,400	9,400	10,300	10.6	1.0

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Sioux Falls Metropolitan Statistical Area Nonfarm Worker Levels

Not Seasonally Adjusted

<u>Industries</u>	<u>September 2012</u>	<u>August 2012</u>	<u>September 2011</u>	<u>% Chg Last Month</u>	<u>% Chg Last Year</u>
TOTAL	140,300	139,600	136,300	0.5	2.9
Total Private	125,900	127,300	123,700	-1.1	1.8
Goods Producing	19,400	19,400	19,600	0.0	-1.0
Service Providing	120,900	120,200	116,700	0.6	3.6
Private Service Providing	106,500	107,900	104,100	-1.3	2.3
Mining/Logging/Construction	6,700	6,900	7,200	-2.9	-6.9
Manufacturing	12,700	12,500	12,400	1.6	2.4
Trade/Transportation/Utilities	29,900	29,900	29,300	0.0	2.0
-Wholesale Trade	7,100	7,200	7,000	-1.4	1.4
-Retail Trade	17,700	17,700	17,300	0.0	2.3
-	5,100	5,000	5,000	2.0	2.0
Transportation/Warehousing/Utilities					
Information	2,800	2,900	2,900	-3.4	-3.4
Financial Activities	14,600	14,700	14,800	-0.7	-1.4
Professional/Business Services	12,500	13,300	11,800	-6.0	5.9
Educational/Health Services	28,600	28,500	27,400	0.4	4.4
Leisure/Hospitality	13,400	13,900	13,100	-3.6	2.3
Other Services	4,700	4,700	4,800	0.0	-2.1
Government	14,400	12,300	12,600	17.1	14.3

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South Dakota Statistical Areas Nonfarm Worker Levels

Not Seasonally Adjusted

<u>Areas</u>	<u>September 2012</u>	<u>September 2011</u>
Aberdeen MiSA	22,690	22,540
Brookings MiSA	18,355	18,505
Huron MiSA	8,920	8,860
Mitchell MiSA	13,465	13,165
Pierre MiSA	12,005	11,985
Spearfish MiSA	11,490	11,805
Vermillion MiSA	7,175	7,210
Watertown MiSA	17,910	17,530
Yankton MiSA	12,695	12,575
Rapid City MSA	62,600	62,300
Sioux Falls MSA	140,300	136,300
Dewey-Ziebach LMA	2,660	2,720
Aurora County	905	865
Bennett County	960	880
Bon Homme County	1,790	1,830
Brule County	2,300	2,330
Buffalo County	540	520
Butte County	2,755	2,760
Campbell County	410	460
Charles Mix County	3,515	3,535
Clark County	945	930
Corson County	890	900
Custer County	2,885	2,930
Day County	1,945	1,965
Deuel County	1,615	1,655
Douglas County	1,140	1,160
Fall River County	2,690	2,740
Faulk County	570	600
Grant County	3,600	3,710
Gregory County	1,505	1,510
Haakon County	715	715
Hand County	1,195	1,155
Harding County	440	435
Hutchinson County	2,715	2,710
Hyde County	545	560
Jackson County	815	795
Jerauld County	1,630	1,570
Jones County	500	520
Kingsbury County	1,875	1,820
Lake County	4,905	4,815
Lyman County	1,510	1,475
McPherson County	600	625
Marshall County	1,445	1,410
Mellette County	345	345
Miner County	760	795
Moody County	2,170	2,200
Perkins County	1,035	1,065
Potter County	810	830
Roberts County	3,685	3,660

Sanborn County	625	650
Shannon County	3,905	3,885
Spink County	2,290	2,330
Sully County	520	545
Todd County	3,000	3,120
Tripp County	2,025	2,085
Union County	8,775	8,720
Walworth County	2,240	2,285

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South Dakota Labor Supply

September 2012

South Dakota	82,770	Hanson County	355
Rapid City MSA	15,430	Harding County	140
Sioux Falls MSA	23,520	Hughes County	1,515
Aurora County	215	Hutchinson County	395
Beadle County	1,515	Hyde County	145
Bennett County	330	Jackson County	330
Bon Homme County	385	Jerauld County	270
Brookings County	3,130	Jones County	150
Brown County	3,370	Kingsbury County	365
Brule County	505	Lake County	890
Buffalo County	565	Lawrence County	2,590
Butte County	780	Lyman County	425
Campbell County	125	McPherson County	185
Charles Mix County	705	Marshall County	335
Clark County	265	Mellette County	245
Clay County	1,515	Miner County	185
Codington County	2,580	Moody County	570
Corson County	380	Perkins County	235
Custer County	715	Potter County	210
Davison County	2,185	Roberts County	935
Day County	460	Sanborn County	175
Deuel County	360	Shannon County	1,775
Dewey County	1,040	Spink County	455
Douglas County	195	Stanley County	550
Edmunds County	335	Sully County	150
Fall River County	690	Todd County	955
Faulk County	165	Tripp County	435
Grant County	655	Union County	1,610
Gregory County	320	Walworth County	505
Haakon County	150	Yankton County	2,020
Hamlin County	510	Ziebach County	330
Hand County	245		

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United States & South Dakota

Seasonally Adjusted

Labor Force

<u>Areas</u>	<u>September 2012*</u>				<u>September 2011</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>
United States	155,063,000	142,974,000	12,088,000	7.8%	154,004,000	140,107,000	13,897,000	9.0%
South Dakota	442,600	422,900	19,700	4.4%	446,000	425,900	20,100	4.5%

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South Dakota & Counties

Not Seasonally Adjusted

Labor Force

<u>Areas</u>	<u>September 2012</u>				<u>September 2011</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	443,180	425,815	17,365	3.9	444,375	426,420	17,955	4.0
Aurora County	1,630	1,585	45	2.6	1,555	1,510	45	2.8
Beadle County	10,025	9,735	290	2.9	10,000	9,680	320	3.2
Bennett County	1,480	1,410	70	4.9	1,395	1,320	75	5.3
Bon Homme County	2,975	2,840	135	4.6	2,985	2,835	150	5.1
Brookings County	18,780	18,195	585	3.1	18,810	18,170	640	3.4
Brown County	21,240	20,545	695	3.3	21,060	20,365	695	3.3
Brule County	2,855	2,765	90	3.1	2,895	2,805	90	3.2
Buffalo County	570	475	95	16.5	525	455	70	13.6
Butte County	5,255	5,035	220	4.2	5,315	5,095	220	4.1
Campbell County	820	790	30	3.5	825	795	30	3.8
Charles Mix County	4,170	3,980	190	4.6	4,240	4,060	180	4.3
Clark County	1,920	1,850	70	3.7	1,885	1,810	75	4.0
Clay County	7,590	7,335	255	3.4	7,520	7,260	260	3.4
Codington County	16,350	15,825	525	3.2	16,150	15,545	605	3.8
Corson County	1,400	1,290	110	7.7	1,390	1,295	95	6.9
Custer County	5,055	4,880	175	3.5	5,130	4,955	175	3.4
Davison County	11,625	11,275	350	3.0	11,440	11,075	365	3.2
Day County	2,825	2,675	150	5.2	2,860	2,715	145	5.1
Deuel County	2,680	2,580	100	3.7	2,740	2,630	110	4.1
Dewey County	2,720	2,380	340	12.5	2,695	2,415	280	10.3
Douglas County	1,775	1,725	50	2.8	1,825	1,765	60	3.2
Edmunds County	2,000	1,940	60	3.0	1,990	1,925	65	3.2
Fall River County	3,670	3,510	160	4.3	3,805	3,635	170	4.4
Faulk County	1,160	1,120	40	3.5	1,140	1,100	40	3.5
Grant County	4,030	3,880	150	3.7	4,130	3,955	175	4.2
Gregory County	2,400	2,320	80	3.3	2,390	2,310	80	3.4
Haakon County	1,140	1,105	35	3.2	1,130	1,095	35	3.0
Hamlin County	2,955	2,875	80	2.8	2,925	2,825	100	3.4
Hand County	1,915	1,860	55	2.9	1,845	1,790	55	3.1
Hanson County	1,840	1,765	75	4.0	1,800	1,730	70	3.9
Harding County	850	825	25	3.2	835	800	35	4.0
Hughes County	10,050	9,730	320	3.2	10,160	9,840	320	3.1
Hutchinson County	3,860	3,740	120	3.1	3,815	3,685	130	3.4
Hyde County	765	740	25	3.5	765	735	30	3.7
Jackson County	1,310	1,235	75	5.7	1,335	1,255	80	5.8
Jerauld County	1,570	1,530	40	2.4	1,520	1,480	40	2.6
Jones County	730	710	20	3.0	750	730	20	2.4
Kingsbury County	3,090	2,995	95	3.1	2,920	2,810	110	3.8
Lake County	6,625	6,400	225	3.4	6,565	6,305	260	3.9
Lawrence County	12,770	12,255	515	4.0	13,245	12,720	525	4.0
Lincoln County	25,435	24,575	860	3.4	25,345	24,460	885	3.5
Lyman County	1,995	1,895	100	5.0	2,035	1,920	115	5.7
McCook County	2,750	2,645	105	3.8	2,725	2,635	90	3.3
McPherson County	1,125	1,075	50	4.5	1,120	1,070	50	4.5
Marshall County	2,165	2,065	100	4.6	2,125	2,020	105	4.8
Meade County	12,505	11,985	520	4.2	12,795	12,210	585	4.6

Mellette County	885	820	65	7.3	870	825	45	5.1
Miner County	1,170	1,125	45	3.9	1,125	1,075	50	4.5
Minnehaha County	97,305	93,635	3,670	3.8	97,055	93,195	3,860	4.0
Moody County	3,910	3,725	185	4.7	4,020	3,800	220	5.4
Pennington County	53,995	51,755	2,240	4.1	54,930	52,715	2,215	4.0
Perkins County	1,545	1,490	55	3.5	1,565	1,510	55	3.6
Potter County	1,240	1,190	50	4.0	1,285	1,230	55	4.2
Roberts County	4,925	4,700	225	4.6	4,890	4,615	275	5.6
Sanborn County	1,365	1,320	45	3.3	1,355	1,305	50	3.6
Shannon County	3,870	3,325	545	14.1	3,770	3,260	510	13.5
Spink County	3,340	3,230	110	3.2	3,455	3,340	115	3.3
Stanley County	1,990	1,935	55	2.7	2,015	1,955	60	3.1
Sully County	1,075	1,050	25	2.2	1,055	1,025	30	2.9
Todd County	3,505	3,190	315	9.0	3,700	3,445	255	6.9
Tripp County	2,885	2,775	110	3.9	2,875	2,770	105	3.7
Turner County	4,295	4,160	135	3.2	4,300	4,140	160	3.7
Union County	8,060	7,695	365	4.5	8,195	7,850	345	4.2
Walworth County	2,615	2,495	120	4.5	2,685	2,555	130	4.8
Yankton County	11,640	11,230	410	3.5	11,645	11,175	470	4.0
Ziebach County	1,105	1,025	80	7.1	1,145	1,040	105	9.2

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South Dakota Areas

Not Seasonally Adjusted

Labor Force

<u>Areas</u>	<u>September 2012*</u>				<u>September 2011</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>
Rapid City MSA	66,500	63,740	2,760	4.2	67,725	64,925	2,800	4.1
Sioux Falls MSA	129,785	125,015	4,770	3.7	129,420	124,425	4,995	3.9
Aberdeen MiSA	23,240	22,485	755	3.2	23,050	22,290	760	3.3
Brookings MiSA	18,780	18,195	585	3.1	18,810	18,170	640	3.4
Huron MiSA	10,025	9,735	290	2.9	10,000	9,680	320	3.2
Mitchell MiSA	13,460	13,035	425	3.2	13,245	12,810	435	3.3
Pierre MiSA	12,040	11,665	375	3.1	12,180	11,800	380	3.1
Spearfish MiSA	12,770	12,255	515	4.0	13,245	12,720	525	4.0
Vermillion MiSA	7,590	7,335	255	3.4	7,520	7,260	260	3.4
Watertown MiSA	19,310	18,700	610	3.2	19,075	18,370	705	3.7
Yankton MiSA	11,640	11,230	410	3.5	11,645	11,175	470	4.0
Dewey-Ziebach LMA	3,820	3,400	420	11.0	3,835	3,450	385	10.0

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South Dakota Cities

Not Seasonally Adjusted

Labor Force

<u>Areas</u>	September 2012*			<u>Rate</u>
	<u>Labor Force</u>	<u>Employment</u>	<u>Unemployment</u>	
Aberdeen City	15,285	14,765	520	3.4%
Brookings City	13,145	12,730	415	3.2%
Huron City	7,280	7,060	220	3.0%
Mitchell City	9,075	8,775	300	3.3%
Pierre City	8,205	7,930	275	3.3%
Rapid City City	36,145	34,505	1,640	4.5%
Sioux Falls City	88,785	85,405	3,380	3.8%
Sioux Falls City - Lincoln	12,150	11,770	380	3.1%
Sioux Falls City - Minnehaha	76,635	73,635	3,000	3.9%
Spearfish City	5,185	4,945	240	4.6%
Vermillion City	5,950	5,750	200	3.4%
Watertown City	12,895	12,455	440	3.4%
Yankton City	7,530	7,235	295	3.9%

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South Dakota Annualized Pay of Covered Workers

April 2011 to March 2012*

Statewide	\$35,964	Hutchinson County	\$28,287
Rapid City MSA	\$35,015	Hyde County	\$33,269
Sioux Falls MSA	\$40,155	Jackson County	\$26,610
Aurora County	\$27,808	Jerauld County	\$29,623
Beadle County	\$33,529	Jones County	\$23,198
Bennett County	\$26,840	Kingsbury County	\$29,330
Bon Homme County	\$27,916	Lake County	\$32,756
Brookings County	\$36,699	Lawrence County	\$30,107
Brown County	\$35,778	Lincoln County	\$39,037
Brule County	\$26,132	Lyman County	\$25,980
Buffalo County	\$34,616	McCook County	\$28,732
Butte County	\$28,636	McPherson County	\$24,205
Campbell County	\$27,561	Marshall County	\$31,799
Charles Mix County	\$28,013	Meade County	\$34,662
Clark County	\$27,286	Mellette County	\$23,451
Clay County	\$32,086	Miner County	\$29,045
Codington County	\$34,837	Minnehaha County	\$40,652
Corson County	\$31,174	Moody County	\$32,825
Custer County	\$29,825	Pennington County	\$35,061
Davison County	\$32,917	Perkins County	\$26,423
Day County	\$27,107	Potter County	\$28,900
Deuel County	\$34,259	Roberts County	\$28,675
Dewey County	\$31,863	Sanborn County	\$27,173
Douglas County	\$28,671	Shannon County	\$36,234
Edmunds County	\$31,114	Spink County	\$30,798
Fall River County	\$33,718	Stanley County	\$29,058
Faulk County	\$29,181	Sully County	\$29,025
Grant County	\$32,903	Todd County	\$31,417
Gregory County	\$25,207	Tripp County	\$28,435
Haakon County	\$31,305	Turner County	\$28,668
Hamlin County	\$29,197	Union County	\$46,113
Hand County	\$27,523	Walworth County	\$27,537
Hanson County	\$30,337	Yankton County	\$35,108
Harding County	\$33,100	Ziebach County	\$33,328
Hughes County	\$36,695		

*This data is updated quarterly.

Source: Produced by the SD Department of Labor and Regulation, LMIC, in cooperation with the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

South Dakota Local Office Activities

<u>Activities</u>	October 2011 - September 2012	October 2010 - September 2011	% Chg Last Year
Job Seekers	90,732	93,624	-3.1%
Entered Employments	30,825	31,300	-1.5%
Job Openings Received	82,240	72,411	13.6%

Source: Produced by Workforce Services and the South Dakota Department of Labor and Regulation

South Dakota Department of Labor And Regulation Unemployment Insurance Activities

	September 2012	August 2012	September 2011	% Chg Last Month	% Chg Last Year
<u>Unemployment Insurance Activities</u>					
Initial Claims	1,096	1,221	1,309	-10.2%	-16.3%
Weeks Claimed	7,226	7,845	7,675	-7.9%	-5.9%
Amount of Benefit Payments	\$1,283,153	\$1,573,238	\$1,542,819	-18.4%	-16.8%
Unemployment Trust Fund Balance	\$52,228,281	\$50,204,358	\$35,506,607	4.0%	47.1%

Source: Produced by the South Dakota Department of Labor and Regulation, Unemployment Insurance Division

Unemployment Insurance Weeks Claimed South Dakota Residents By County

September 2012

Aurora	4	Fall River	57	Marshall	23
Beadle	64	Faulk	1	Meade	252
Bennett	24	Grant	27	Mellette	38
Bon Homme	23	Gregory	11	Miner	18
Brookings	121	Haakon	10	Minnehaha	1877
Brown	269	Hamlin	8	Moody	36
Brule	7	Hand	2	Pennington	1075
Buffalo	113	Hanson	39	Perkins	11
Butte	109	Harding	4	Potter	7
Campbell	0	Hughes	89	Roberts	59
Charles Mix	71	Hutchinson	21	Sanborn	13
Clark	22	Hyde	5	Shannon	315
Clay	71	Jackson	29	Spink	10
Codington	124	Jerauld	12	Stanley	21
Corson	75	Jones	5	Sully	0
Custer	49	Kingsbury	22	Todd	253
Davison	139	Lake	84	Tripp	39
Day	65	Lawrence	189	Turner	34
Deuel	15	Lincoln	363	Union	148
Dewey	145	Lyman	31	Walworth	55
Douglas	4	McCook	39	Yankton	143
Edmunds	4	McPherson	20	Ziebach	35

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

National Economic Indicators

	September 2012	August 2012	September 2011	% Chg Last Month	% Chg Last Year
Consumer Price Index	231.4	230.4	226.9	0.4%	2.0%
Nonfarm Payroll Employment	133.8	133.2	132.0	0.5%	1.4%
Privately Owned Housing Starts	872	758	647	15.0%	34.8%
Bank Prime Loan Rate	3.25	3.25	3.25	0.0%	0.0%

Source: Consumer Price Index data produced by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics
 Nonfarm Payroll Employment data produced by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics
 Privately Owned Housing Starts data produced by the U.S. Census Bureau
 Bank Prime Loan Rate data produced by the Federal Reserve Bank