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WISCONSIN EMPLOYMENT & UNEMPLOYMENT ESTIMATES ANNOUNCED: OCTOBER REVISED, NOVEMBER PRELIMINARY

MADISON – The Department of Workforce Development (DWD) today released the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) revised estimates for October and preliminary estimates for November, covering unemployment and employment statistics for the state of Wisconsin. In brief, the estimates showed:

- **Place of work data:** Upward revision to seasonally adjusted private-sector job number in October by 1,300 to show an estimated decline of 4,700 jobs. Upward revision to seasonally adjusted total job number in October by 400 to show an estimated decline of 7,100 jobs.
- **Place of residence data:** A preliminary seasonally adjusted unemployment rate of 6.7 percent in November, down from 6.9 percent in October and 7.1 percent in November 2011. The rate remains below the national unemployment rate of 7.7 percent.

The BLS monthly place of work data is based on a monthly survey of approximately 5,500 Wisconsin employers (3.5 percent), called the Current Employment Statistics (CES).

BLS monthly place of residence data is based on Unemployment Insurance claims and a monthly survey of 1,450 Wisconsin households (0.06 percent), called the Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS).

Preliminary November totals for LAUS and CES will undergo further revisions in the next several weeks. Revised totals for all months in 2012 and the second half of 2011 will undergo further refinement during an annual benchmarking process in early 2013.

The most accurate count of jobs data, the Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW), is based on a census of approximately 95-96 percent of Wisconsin employers. DWD last month submitted unemployment insurance (UI) records for the second quarter of 2012 to the federal government. The federal government will incorporate the data in its next QCEW release covering the first quarter of 2012 for all states.

Other indicators that help illustrate the state of Wisconsin's economy include:

- [Department of Revenue](#) has reported revenue collections through November are up by 2.8 percent in fiscal year 2013.
- [Department of Financial Institutions](#) new business formation: up this year by 8.8 percent through the first six months of 2012 compared to the same period in 2011; credit union net income growth, up 96 percent in the first three quarters of 2012 compared to the same period in 2011.
- A decline this calendar year in initial and weekly DWD [Unemployment Insurance claims](#).

Attached to this report are tables that show the (1) October-November LAUS and CES revisions; (2) preliminary November estimates for LAUS and CES; (3) the CES revision history for calendar year 2012; and (4) Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages for the second quarter of 2012, which is the most recent data available.

Wisconsin Employment and Unemployment Report
OCTOBER – NOVEMBER 2012

1. REVISIONS TO ESTIMATES FROM OCTOBER 2012 **Seasonally Adjusted** **Not Seasonally Adjusted**

Place of Residence Data	Prelim	Revised	Change	Prelim	Revised	Change
CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE	3,061,200	3,061,100	-100	3,066,000	3,065,800	-200
LABOR FORCE PARTICIPATION RATE	67.9%	67.9%	0.0%	68.0%	68.0%	0.0%
EMPLOYMENT (1)	2,850,100	2,850,000	-100	2,892,200	2,892,000	-200
UNEMPLOYMENT	211,100	211,100	0	173,700	173,800	100
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE	6.9%	6.9%	0.0%	5.7%	5.7%	0.0%
U.S. Unemployment Rate	7.9%	7.9%	0.0%	7.5%	7.5%	0.0%
Place of Work Data						
NONFARM WAGE & SALARY	2,720,700	2,721,100	400	2,753,400	2,753,800	400
TOTAL PRIVATE	2,311,500	2,312,800	1,300	2,334,700	2,336,000	1,300
GOODS PRODUCING	528,600	528,700	100	545,800	545,900	100
NATURAL RESOURCES & MINING	2,800	2,800	0	3,100	3,100	0
CONSTRUCTION	84,000	84,100	100	94,400	94,500	100
MANUFACTURING	447,400	447,400	0	448,300	448,300	0
Durable Goods	275,300	275,000	-300	276,300	276,000	-300
Nondurable Goods	172,100	172,400	300	172,000	172,300	300
SERVICE PROVIDING	2,192,100	2,192,400	300	2,207,600	2,207,900	300
PRIVATE SERVICE PROVIDING	1,782,900	1,784,100	1,200	1,788,900	1,790,100	1,200
TRADE	408,800	409,300	500	409,800	410,300	500
TRANS., WAREHOUSING, & UTILITIES	98,600	98,800	200	100,800	101,000	200
INFORMATION	48,100	48,300	200	48,000	48,200	200
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	152,500	152,600	100	153,000	153,100	100
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	283,500	283,900	400	289,000	289,400	400
EDUCATIONAL & HEALTH SERVICES	415,900	415,600	-300	417,200	416,900	-300
LEISURE & HOSPITALITY	236,100	236,300	200	237,100	237,300	200
OTHER SERVICES, except Public Admin.	133,800	133,700	-100	134,000	133,900	-100
GOVERNMENT	409,200	408,300	-900	418,700	417,800	-900
Federal Government	28,500	28,500	0	28,500	28,500	0
State Government	100,900	100,900	0	106,000	106,000	0
Local Government	279,800	278,900	-900	284,200	283,300	-900

2. MONTHLY ESTIMATES FOR NOVEMBER 2012

Place of Residence Data	Nov-12 (P)	Oct-12 (R)	Net Change	Nov-12 (P)	Oct-12 (R)	Net Change
CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE	3,062,600	3,061,100	1,500	3,061,700	3,065,800	-4,100
LABOR FORCE PARTICIPATION RATE	67.9%	67.9%	0.0%	67.9%	68.0%	-0.1%
EMPLOYMENT (1)	2,858,900	2,850,000	8,900	2,870,000	2,892,000	-22,000
UNEMPLOYMENT	203,800	211,100	-7,300	191,700	173,800	17,900
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE	6.7%	6.9%	-0.2%	6.3%	5.7%	0.6%
U.S. Unemployment Rate	7.7%	7.9%	-0.2%	7.4%	7.5%	-0.1%
Place of Work Data						
NONFARM WAGE & SALARY	2,731,700	2,721,100	10,600	2,756,900	2,753,800	3,100
TOTAL PRIVATE	2,323,100	2,312,800	10,300	2,335,400	2,336,000	-600
GOODS PRODUCING	532,400	528,700	3,700	542,300	545,900	-3,600
NATURAL RESOURCES & MINING	2,900	2,800	100	3,000	3,100	-100
CONSTRUCTION	85,100	84,100	1,000	90,200	94,500	-4,300
MANUFACTURING	450,200	447,400	2,800	449,100	448,300	800
Durable Goods	276,800	275,000	1,800	276,700	276,000	700
Nondurable Goods	173,400	172,400	1,000	172,400	172,300	100
SERVICE PROVIDING	2,199,300	2,192,400	6,900	2,214,600	2,207,900	6,700
PRIVATE SERVICE PROVIDING	1,790,700	1,784,100	6,600	1,793,100	1,790,100	3,000
TRADE	410,400	409,300	1,100	422,300	410,300	12,000
TRANS., WAREHOUSING, & UTILITIES	101,400	98,800	2,600	102,100	101,000	1,100
INFORMATION	47,200	48,300	-1,100	47,400	48,200	-800
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	153,800	152,600	1,200	153,500	153,100	400
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	285,400	283,900	1,500	287,900	289,400	-1,500
EDUCATIONAL & HEALTH SERVICES	413,900	415,600	-1,700	415,900	416,900	-1,000
LEISURE & HOSPITALITY	238,700	236,300	2,400	230,900	237,300	-6,400
OTHER SERVICES, except Public Admin.	134,100	133,700	400	133,100	133,900	-800
GOVERNMENT	408,600	408,300	300	421,500	417,800	3,700
Federal Government	27,900	28,500	-600	27,900	28,500	-600
State Government	99,000	100,900	-1,900	104,300	106,000	-1,700
Local Government	281,700	278,900	2,800	289,300	283,300	6,000

*Differences in total may occur as a result of rounding.

(1) Includes Labor Market Disputes

(P) = Prelim; (R) = Revised

Source: Local Area Unemployment Statistics and Current Employment Statistics programs, Labor Market Information Section

Cautionary note to users: Revised methodological procedures mandated by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) force individual state estimates of employment into closer alignment with the national estimate. This change results in larger month-to-month employment change for the states and the information reported by DWD.

3. HISTORY OF REVISIONS OF ESTIMATES FROM PLACE OF WORK SURVEY

	TNF			Private		
	Prelim	Revised	Change	Prelim	Revised	Change
January 2012	12,500	5,200	(7,300)	15,700	13,800	(1,900)
February 2012	8,300	10,100	+1,800	4,000	6,100	+2,100
March 2012	-4,500	2,800	+7,300	-4,300	-3,600	+700
April 2012	-5,900	-4,200	+1,700	-6,200	-4,300	+1,900
May 2012	2,600	2,400	(200)	900	2,100	+1,200
June 2012	-13,200	-12,700	+500	-11,700	-11,300	+400
July 2012	-6,500	-6,600	(100)	-6,000	-7,600	(1,600)
August 2012	7,800	11,000	+3,200	4,300	7,400	+3,100
September 2012	1,400	400	(1,000)	1,500	1,000	(500)
October 2012	-7,500	-7,100	+400	-6,000	-4,700	+1,300
November 2012						
December 2012						

4. LATEST QUARTERLY DATA: CENSUS OF EMPLOYMENT AND WAGES

	2011*			2012†			Jun-Jun	
	Apr	May	Jun	Apr	May	Jun	Number	Percent
TOTAL	2,651,429	2,679,713	2,712,142	2,677,055	2,714,508	2,749,674	37,532	1.4%
<i>Total Private</i>	2,252,119	2,284,440	2,322,096	2,283,282	2,316,524	2,357,475	35,379	1.5%
Natural Resources & Mining	24,177	25,422	26,187	26,428	27,338	28,081	1,894	7.2%
Construction	87,577	94,946	100,262	89,851	94,768	99,926	-336	-0.3%
Manufacturing	437,777	440,623	449,231	448,983	451,075	461,017	11,786	2.6%
Trade, Transportation, Utilities	499,190	503,956	507,262	498,842	506,566	509,931	2,669	0.5%
Information	46,492	46,466	46,380	45,672	45,719	46,254	-126	-0.3%
Financial Activities	148,840	149,111	150,150	148,426	149,069	150,053	-97	-0.1%
Professional & Business Services	280,174	280,945	286,876	287,090	288,174	292,898	6,022	2.1%
Education & Health Services	390,251	390,897	390,056	394,023	395,381	394,995	4,939	1.3%
Leisure & Hospitality	244,683	257,735	269,424	249,182	262,655	276,052	6,628	2.5%
Other Services	88,236	88,795	90,067	87,469	88,028	90,137	70	0.1%
Unclassified	4,722	5,544	6,201	7,316	7,751	8,131	1,930	31.1%
<i>Total Government</i>	399,310	395,273	390,046	393,773	397,984	392,199	2,153	0.6%

*Data as published by U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. † Data as published at worknet.wisconsin.gov.
 Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages counts are published 6 months after the quarter they describe.
 Data from the latest published quarter and a year prior are included here.