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## WISCONSIN EMPLOYMENT & UNEMPLOYMENT ESTIMATES ANNOUNCED: JULY REVISED, AUGUST PRELIMINARY

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

- Place of work data: Seasonally adjusted, private sector job growth of 7,300 from July to August and 35,000 from August 2012 to August 2013; non-seasonally adjusted total job growth of 48,200, including private sector job growth of 45,500, from August 2012 to August 2013; revision of seasonally adjusted July estimates, upward by 1,800 for total job number; downward by 1,900 for private sector.
- Place of residence data: A preliminary seasonally adjusted unemployment rate of 6.7 percent in August, down from 6.8 percent in July. The rate is below the national unemployment rate of 7.3 percent.

The preliminary estimates show the seasonally adjusted, month-over-month increase in private sector jobs included significant gains in construction (+3,300), as well as increases in accommodation and food services, and retail trade. The estimated, year-over-year gain in private sector employment included increases in professional and business services, leisure and hospitality. The estimates are subject to revision.

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. The latest available quarterly data covers the first three months of 2013. Key highlights of this data include:

- Wisconsin added 24,124 private-sector jobs from March 2012 to March 2013.
- The net job gain from March 2012 to March 2013 includes an increase of over 3,500 construction jobs, which represents a 4.4 percent jump. Private-sector wages grew at 2.5 percent.

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

- [Department of Revenue](#) state revenue collections for fiscal year 2013: up by 4.2 percent.
- [Department of Financial Institutions](#) new business formation: up 4.2 percent through August compared to the first eight months of 2012.
- A decline this calendar year in initial and continued, weekly DWD [Unemployment Insurance claims](#). Average weekly initial claims are at a 13-year low.
- [Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia](#) coincidence index: Wisconsin has had the third best economic growth in the nation over the past three months. This is Wisconsin's best ranking ever.
- The most recent [ManpowerGroup Quarterly Employment Outlook](#) showed metro Milwaukee outperforming the national and Midwest averages.
- Wisconsin's exports set a record in calendar year 2012.

**Wisconsin Employment and Unemployment Report**  
**JULY – AUGUST 2013**

**1. REVISIONS TO ESTIMATES FROM JULY 2013**

Place of Residence Data	Seasonally Adjusted			Not Seasonally Adjusted		
	Prelim	Revised	Change	Prelim	Revised	Change
CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE	3,076,900	3,077,300	400	3,124,300	3,125,200	900
LABOR FORCE PARTICIPATION RATE	68.2%	68.2%	0.0%	69.2%	69.3%	0.1%
EMPLOYMENT (1)	2,867,200	2,867,500	300	2,913,200	2,913,900	700
UNEMPLOYMENT	209,700	209,800	100	211,200	211,300	100
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE	6.8%	6.8%	0.0%	6.8%	6.8%	0.0%
U.S. Unemployment Rate	7.4%	7.4%	0.0%	7.7%	7.7%	0.0%
<b>Place of Work Data</b>						
NONFARM WAGE & SALARY	2,814,000	2,815,800	1,800	2,840,400	2,841,900	1,500
TOTAL PRIVATE	2,404,400	2,402,500	-1,900	2,461,800	2,459,900	-1,900
GOODS PRODUCING	555,800	553,200	-2,600	579,000	576,400	-2,600
NATURAL RESOURCES & MINING	3,300	3,300	0	3,800	3,800	0
CONSTRUCTION	92,800	92,800	0	105,400	105,400	0
MANUFACTURING	459,700	457,100	-2,600	469,800	467,200	-2,600
Durable Goods	285,400	282,600	-2,800	290,700	287,900	-2,800
Nondurable Goods	174,300	174,500	200	179,100	179,300	200
SERVICE PROVIDING	2,258,200	2,262,600	4,400	2,261,400	2,265,500	4,100
PRIVATE SERVICE PROVIDING	1,848,600	1,849,300	700	1,882,800	1,883,500	700
TRADE	410,000	409,700	-300	413,600	413,300	-300
TRANS., WAREHOUSING, & UTILITIES	100,600	100,500	-100	99,800	99,700	-100
INFORMATION	46,700	46,600	-100	47,000	46,900	-100
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	163,800	164,300	500	164,600	165,100	500
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	295,900	296,600	700	301,900	302,600	700
EDUCATIONAL & HEALTH SERVICES	418,800	418,800	0	416,700	416,700	0
LEISURE & HOSPITALITY	273,300	273,300	0	298,000	298,000	0
OTHER SERVICES, except Public Admin.	139,500	139,500	0	141,200	141,200	0
GOVERNMENT	409,600	413,300	3,700	378,600	382,000	3,400
Federal Government	28,100	28,100	0	28,300	28,300	0
State Government	98,600	98,600	0	89,500	89,500	0
Local Government	282,900	286,600	3,700	260,800	264,200	3,400

**2. MONTHLY ESTIMATES FOR AUGUST 2013**

Place of Residence Data	Aug-13 (P)	Jul-13 (R)	Net Change	Aug-13 (P)	Jul-13 (R)	Net Change
CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE	3,071,300	3,077,300	-6,000	3,087,900	3,125,200	-37,300
LABOR FORCE PARTICIPATION RATE	68.0%	68.2%	-0.2%	68.4%	69.3%	-0.9%
EMPLOYMENT (1)	2,865,700	2,867,500	-1,800	2,897,300	2,913,900	-16,600
UNEMPLOYMENT	205,600	209,800	-4,200	190,500	211,300	-20,800
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE	6.7%	6.8%	-0.1%	6.2%	6.8%	-0.6%
U.S. Unemployment Rate	7.3%	7.4%	-0.1%	7.3%	7.7%	-0.4%
<b>Place of Work Data</b>						
NONFARM WAGE & SALARY	2,821,900	2,815,800	6,100	2,853,000	2,841,900	11,100
TOTAL PRIVATE	2,409,800	2,402,500	7,300	2,471,500	2,459,900	11,600
GOODS PRODUCING	556,100	553,200	2,900	579,100	576,400	2,700
NATURAL RESOURCES & MINING	3,400	3,300	100	3,900	3,800	100
CONSTRUCTION	96,100	92,800	<b>3,300</b>	107,400	105,400	2,000
MANUFACTURING	456,600	457,100	-500	467,800	467,200	600
Durable Goods	282,300	282,600	-300	287,600	287,900	-300
Nondurable Goods	174,300	174,500	-200	180,200	179,300	900
SERVICE PROVIDING	2,265,800	2,262,600	3,200	2,273,900	2,265,500	8,400
PRIVATE SERVICE PROVIDING	1,853,700	1,849,300	4,400	1,892,400	1,883,500	8,900
TRADE	411,200	409,700	1,500	415,200	413,300	1,900
TRANS., WAREHOUSING, & UTILITIES	99,800	100,500	-700	100,000	99,700	300
INFORMATION	46,900	46,600	300	47,100	46,900	200
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	163,000	164,300	<b>-1,300</b>	163,900	165,100	-1,200
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	298,400	296,600	1,800	305,300	302,600	2,700
EDUCATIONAL & HEALTH SERVICES	419,200	418,800	400	418,200	416,700	1,500
LEISURE & HOSPITALITY	275,800	273,300	2,500	302,400	298,000	4,400
OTHER SERVICES, except Public Admin.	139,400	139,500	-100	140,300	141,200	-900
GOVERNMENT	412,100	413,300	-1,200	381,500	382,000	-500
Federal Government	28,000	28,100	-100	28,200	28,300	-100
State Government	98,700	98,600	100	91,700	89,500	2,200
Local Government	285,400	286,600	-1,200	261,600	264,200	-2,600

\*Differences in total may occur as a result of rounding. (1) Includes Labor Market Disputes (P) = Prelim; (R) = Revised **Orange** changes are outside margin of error.  
 Source: Local Area Unemployment Statistics and Current Employment Statistics programs, Bureau of Workforce Information and Technical Support.

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

	TNF			Private		
	Prelim	Revised	Change	Prelim	Revised	Change
January 2013	-6,000	1,800	+7,800	13,400	12,400	(1,000)
February 2013	12,100	15,000	+2,900	-2,300	700	+3,000
March 2013	-8,500	-7,000	+1,500	-1,100	100	+1,200
April 2013	-24,100	-21,900	+2,200	-22,600	-20,800	+1,800
May 2013	10,400	9,400	(1,000)	12,700	12,600	(100)
June 2013	17,500	18,700	+1,200	13,800	15,600	+1,800
July 2013	2,000	3,800	+1,800	1,800	-100	(1,900)
August 2013						
September 2013						
October 2013						
November 2013						
December 2013						

### 4. LATEST QUARTERLY DATA: CENSUS OF EMPLOYMENT AND WAGES

	2012 Employment*			2013 Employment†			Mar-Mar Change	
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Jan	Feb	Mar	Number	Percent
<b>TOTAL</b>	2,617,799	2,618,677	2,641,412	2,642,827	2,650,158	2,664,763	23,351	0.9%
<i>Total Private</i>	2,239,366	2,234,686	2,253,990	2,263,712	2,263,391	2,278,114	24,124	1.1%
Natural Resources & Mining	22,659	22,747	24,026	23,670	23,806	24,469	443	1.8%
Construction	79,545	77,716	81,104	83,252	82,476	84,647	3,543	4.4%
Manufacturing	445,253	444,597	446,719	450,495	449,200	450,127	3,408	0.8%
Trade, Transportation, Utilities	501,329	494,492	496,563	501,869	497,054	498,944	2,381	0.5%
Information	46,211	45,823	45,663	46,522	46,217	46,083	420	0.9%
Financial Activities	148,445	148,162	148,299	147,170	147,085	147,670	-629	-0.4%
Professional & Business Services	279,043	280,526	284,269	283,902	287,359	290,076	5,807	2.0%
Education & Health Services	390,403	392,426	393,567	396,059	397,975	399,215	5,648	1.4%
Leisure & Hospitality	233,599	234,422	239,400	237,561	238,283	241,717	2,317	1.0%
Other Services	85,666	86,005	86,214	83,269	83,244	83,912	-2,302	-2.7%
Unclassified	7,213	7,770	8,166	9,943	10,692	11,254	3,088	37.8%
<i>Total Government</i>	378,433	383,991	387,422	379,115	386,767	386,649	-773	-0.2%

Updated on 9-16-13. \*Data as published by U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. †Data as will be published at [worknet.wisconsin.gov](http://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.

## WISCONSIN LABOR FORCE SUMMARY

Seasonally Adjusted

PLACE OF RESIDENCE DATA	PRELIM.	REVISED	YEAR AGO	NET CHANGE OVER	
	Aug-13	Jul-13	Aug-12	1-Month	1-Year
CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE	3,071,300	3,077,300	3,046,400	-6,000	24,900
EMPLOYMENT (1)	2,865,700	2,867,500	2,833,300	-1,800	32,400
UNEMPLOYMENT	205,600	209,800	213,100	-4,200	-7,500
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE	6.7%	6.8%	7.0%	-0.1%	-0.3%
U.S. Unemployment Rate	7.3%	7.4%	8.1%	-0.1%	-0.8%

### PLACE OF WORK DATA

<i>NONFARM WAGE &amp; SALARY</i>	2,821,900	2,815,800	2,786,600	6,100	<b>35,300</b>
TOTAL PRIVATE	2,409,800	2,402,500	2,374,800	7,300	<b>35,000</b>
<i>GOODS PRODUCING</i>	556,100	553,200	551,100	2,900	5,000
NATURAL RESOURCES & MINING	3,400	3,300	3,500	100	-100
CONSTRUCTION	96,100	92,800	91,800	<b>3,300</b>	4,300
MANUFACTURING	456,600	457,100	455,800	-500	800
Durable Goods	282,300	282,600	279,500	-300	2,800
Nondurable Goods	174,300	174,500	176,300	-200	-2,000
<i>SERVICE PROVIDING</i>	2,265,800	2,262,600	2,235,500	3,200	30,300
<i>PRIVATE SERVICE PROVIDING</i>	1,853,700	1,849,300	1,823,700	4,400	<b>30,000</b>
TRADE	411,200	409,700	411,100	1,500	100
Wholesale Trade	117,400	118,300	116,700	-900	700
Retail Trade	293,800	291,400	294,400	<b>2,400</b>	-600
TRANS., WAREHOUSING, & UTILITIES	99,800	100,500	100,000	-700	-200
INFORMATION	46,900	46,600	46,600	300	300
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	163,000	164,300	163,000	<b>-1,300</b>	0
Real Estate, Rental, & Lease	24,300	24,600	24,500	-300	-200
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	298,400	296,600	289,500	1,800	<b>8,900</b>
Prof., Scien., & Tech. Services	101,200	101,500	98,400	-300	2,800
Admin. Support & Waste Mgmt. Services	142,900	140,600	138,000	2,300	4,900
EDUCATIONAL & HEALTH SERVICES	419,200	418,800	419,600	400	-400
Educational Services	51,300	50,700	50,400	600	900
Health Care & Social Assistance	367,900	368,100	369,200	-200	-1,300
LEISURE & HOSPITALITY	275,800	273,300	256,100	2,500	<b>19,700</b>
Arts, Entertain., & Recreation	37,900	38,400	34,900	-500	3,000
Accommodation & Food Services	237,900	234,900	221,200	<b>3,000</b>	<b>16,700</b>
OTHER SERVICES, except Public Admin.	139,400	139,500	137,800	-100	1,600
GOVERNMENT	412,100	413,300	411,800	-1,200	300
Federal Government	28,000	28,100	29,000	-100	-1,000
State Government	98,700	98,600	94,800	100	3,900
Local Government	285,400	286,600	288,000	-1,200	-2,600

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

(1) Includes L-M Disputes

Source: Local Area Unemployment Statistics and Current Employment Statistics programs, Bureau of Workforce Information and Technical Support.

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Not Seasonally Adjusted

PLACE OF RESIDENCE DATA	PRELIM.	REVISED	YEAR AGO	NET CHANGE OVER	
	Aug-13	Jul-13	Aug-12	1-Month	1-Year
CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE	3,087,900	3,125,200	3,062,600	-37,300	25,300
EMPLOYMENT (1)	2,897,300	2,913,900	2,854,300	-16,600	43,000
UNEMPLOYMENT	190,500	211,300	208,300	-20,800	-17,800
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE	6.2%	6.8%	6.8%	-0.6%	-0.6%
U.S. Unemployment Rate	7.3%	7.7%	8.2%	-0.4%	-0.9%

### PLACE OF WORK DATA

NONFARM WAGE & SALARY	2,853,000	2,841,900	2,804,800	11,100	48,200
TOTAL PRIVATE	2,471,500	2,459,900	2,426,000	11,600	45,500
GOODS PRODUCING	579,100	576,400	571,300	2,700	7,800
NATURAL RESOURCES & MINING	3,900	3,800	3,900	100	0
CONSTRUCTION	107,400	105,400	102,000	2,000	5,400
MANUFACTURING	467,800	467,200	465,400	600	2,400
Durable Goods	287,600	287,900	283,700	-300	3,900
Nondurable Goods	180,200	179,300	181,700	900	-1,500
SERVICE PROVIDING	2,273,900	2,265,500	2,233,500	8,400	40,400
PRIVATE SERVICE PROVIDING	1,892,400	1,883,500	1,854,700	8,900	37,700
TRADE	415,200	413,300	414,500	1,900	700
Wholesale Trade	119,100	120,500	118,100	-1,400	1,000
Retail Trade	296,100	292,800	296,400	3,300	-300
TRANS., WAREHOUSING, & UTILITIES	100,000	99,700	98,500	300	1,500
Utilities	10,800	11,100	11,300	-300	-500
INFORMATION	47,100	46,900	47,100	200	0
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	163,900	165,100	164,400	-1,200	-500
Finance and Insurance	138,300	139,400	138,800	-1,100	-500
Real Estate, Rental, & Lease	25,600	25,700	25,600	-100	0
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	305,300	302,600	294,500	2,700	10,800
Prof., Scien., & Tech. Services	101,600	101,600	98,100	0	3,500
Mgmt. Of Companies and Enterprises	55,200	55,400	53,500	-200	1,700
Admin. Support & Waste Mgmt. Services	148,500	145,600	142,900	2,900	5,600
EDUCATIONAL & HEALTH SERVICES	418,200	416,700	417,200	1,500	1,000
Educational Services	48,500	47,900	46,600	600	1,900
Health Care & Social Assistance	369,700	368,800	370,600	900	-900
LEISURE & HOSPITALITY	302,400	298,000	279,700	4,400	22,700
Arts, Entertain., & Recreation	47,500	47,200	43,400	300	4,100
Accommodation & Food Services	254,900	250,800	236,300	4,100	18,600
OTHER SERVICES, except Public Admin.	140,300	141,200	138,800	-900	1,500
GOVERNMENT	381,500	382,000	378,800	-500	2,700
Federal Government	28,200	28,300	29,200	-100	-1,000
State Government	91,700	89,500	84,700	2,200	7,000
Local Government	261,600	264,200	264,900	-2,600	-3,300

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