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#### **Changes to Current Employment Statistics Data**

Effective January 2025, the counties included in two Metropolitan Statistical Areas have changed. Jackson MSA now includes Holmes and Scott counties. Gulfport-Biloxi-Pascagoula MSA now includes Stone County, and the name has changed to Gulfport-Biloxi MSA. The MSA data has been updated to reflect these changes. The changes are due to the Bureau of Labor Statistics updating areas to reflect delineations based on the 2020 Census, as published in OMB Bulletin No. 23-01.

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# Mississippi Nonfarm Employment

	Preliminar y	Revised	Revised	Monthly	y Change	Annual	Change
	Mar-2025	Feb-2025	Mar- 2024	Net	Percen t	Net	Percen t
		1,198,00	1,185,90	(4,500			-
Total Nonfarm	1,193,500	0	0	)	(0.4)	7,600	0.6
				(4,400			
Total Private	950,100	954,500	944,700	)	(0.5)	5,400	0.6
				(2,300		(1,200	
Goods Producing	198,100	200,400	199,300	)	(1.1)	)	(0.6)
				(2,200			
Service-Providing	995,400	997,600	986,600	)	(0.2)	8,800	0.9
				(2,100	( )		
Private Service Providing	752,000	754,100	745,400	)	(0.3)	6,600	0.9
Mining and Logging	5,800	5,800	6,000	0	0.0	(200)	(3.3)
				(1,400	( <b>)</b>		
Construction	51,600	53,000	50,900	)	(2.6)	700	1.4
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Manufacturing	140,700	141,600	142,400	(900)	(0.6)	)	(1.2)
Durable Goods	89,500	90,500	91,600	(1,000	(1.1)	(2,100 \	(2.3)
Wood Product Manufacturing	8,600	8,700	8,700	(100)	(1.1)	(100)	(1.1)
Sawmills and Wood Preservation	4,600	4,700	4,600	(100)	(1.1)	0	0.0
	8,900	9,000	9,200	(100)	(2.1)	(300)	
Fabricated Metal Product Manufacturing		-		. ,	· · ·		(3.3)
Machinery Manufacturing	12,000	12,200	12,300	(200)	(1.6)	(300)	(2.4)
Electrical Equipment, Appliance & Component Manuf.	7,100	7,200	7,000	(100)	(1.4)	100	1.4
Electrical Equipment Manufacturing	6,200	6,200	6,100	0	0.0	100	1.6
Transportation Equipment Manufacturing	27,400	27,700	27,800	(300)	(1.1)	(400)	(1.4)
Motor Vehicle Parts Manufacturing	5,800	5,800	5,900	0	0.0	(100)	(1.7)
Ship and Boat Building	12,200	12,300	12,400	(100)	(0.8)	(200)	(1.6)
Furniture and Related Product Manufacturing	13,800	14,000	14,600	(200)	(1.4)	(800)	(5.5)
Non-Durable Goods	51,200	51,100	50,800	100	0.2	400	0.8

Food Manufacturing	24,600	24,500	24,200	100	0.4	400	1.7
Animal Slaughtering & Processing	18,300	18,300	18,000	0	0.0	300	1.7
Paper Manufacturing	4,400	4,400	4,400	0	0.0	0	0.0
Plastics and Rubber Products Manufacturing	8,400	8,400	8,600	0	0.0	(200)	(2.3)
				(1,000			
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	245,500	246,500	246,300	)	(0.4)	(800)	(0.3)
Wholesale Trade	36,700	36,600	36,700	100	0.3	0	0.0
Retail Trade	137,700	137,900	138,200	(200)	(0.1)	(500)	(0.4)
Food and Beverage Retailers	17,600	17,600	17,900	0	0.0	(300)	(1.7)
Grocery and Convenience Retailers	15,100	15,100	15,400	0	0.0	(300)	(1.9)
General Merchandise Retailers	38,700	38,700	38,100	0	0.0	600	1.6
Department Stores	5,100	5,100	5,000	0	0.0	100	2.0
Warehouse Clubs, Supercenters, Other Gen Merch Retailers	33,600	33,600	33,100	0	0.0	500	1.5
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	71,100	72,000	71,400	(900)	(1.3)	(300)	(0.4)
Utilities	8,200	8,200	8,200	0	0.0	0	0.0
Transportation and Warehousing	62,900	63,800	63,200	(900)	(1.4)	(300)	(0.5)
Warehousing and Storage	25,200	25,500	25,300	(300)	(1.2)	(100)	(0.4)
Information	9,500	9,600	9,400	(100)	(1.0)	100	1.1
Telecommunications	4,300	4,400	4,600	(100)	(2.3)	(300)	(6.5)
Financial Activities	44,500	45,200	44,900	(700)	(1.5)	(400)	(0.9)
Finance and Insurance	33,400	33,900	33,500	(500)	(1.5)	(100)	(0.3)
Credit Intermediation & Related Activities incl. Monetary	18,300	18,500	18,900	(200)	(1.1)	(600)	(3.2)
Depository Credit Intermediation incl. Monetary Auth.	13,900	14,100	14,300	(200)	(1.4)	(400)	(2.8)
Insurance Carriers and Related Activities	13,400	13,600	13,100	(200)	(1.5)	300	2.3
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	11,100	11,300	11,400	(200)	(1.8)	(300)	(2.6)
Professional and Business Services	117,500	118,300	116,700	(800)	(0.7)	800	0.7
Professional, Scientific, & Technical Services	40,700	41,600	40,600	(900)	(2.2)	100	0.2
Management of Companies & Enterprises	11,500	11,500	11,200	0	0.0	300	2.7
Admin. & Support & Waste Mgt., & Remediation Services	65 <i>,</i> 300	65,200	64,900	100	0.2	400	0.6
Private Education and Health Services	159,400	158,700	154,100	700	0.4	5,300	3.4
Private Educational Services	15,100	15,600	14,200	(500)	(3.2)	900	6.3
Health Care and Social Assistance	144,300	143,100	139,900	1,200	0.8	4,400	3.1
Hospitals	28,700	28,500	27,800	200	0.7	900	3.2

Nursing and Residential Care Facilities	24,300	24,100	23,100	200	0.8	1,200	5.2
Leisure and Hospitality	135,900	135,900	134,500	0	0.0	1,400	1.0
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	10,100	10,100	9,900	0	0.0	200	2.0
Amusement, Gambling, & Recreation Indus.	8,700	8,700	8,600	0	0.0	100	1.2
Accommodation and Food Services	125,800	125,800	124,600	0	0.0	1,200	1.0
Accommodation	24,300	24,300	24,300	0	0.0	0	0.0
Food Services and Drinking Places	101,500	101,500	100,300	0	0.0	1,200	1.2
Other Services	39,700	39,900	39,500	(200)	(0.5)	200	0.5
Repair and Maintenance	11,200	11,200	11,100	0	0.0	100	0.9
Government	243,400	243,500	241,200	(100)	(0.0)	2,200	0.9
Federal Government	27,300	27,200	27,300	100	0.4	0	0.0
State Government	59,900	59,900	59,200	0	0.0	700	1.2
State Government Educational Services	25,700	25,700	25,300	0	0.0	400	1.6
Local Government	156,200	156,400	154,700	(200)	(0.1)	1,500	1.0
Local Government Educational Services	79,300	79,700	79,400	(400)	(0.5)	(100)	(0.1)

Chart of To	tal Nonfarm Employr	nent in Mississipp	i and Metropolitan Stati	stical Areas
Month/Year	Mississippi	G-B-P MSA	Hattiesburg MSA	Jackson MSA
Apr-2024	1,189,100	170,600	68,500	301,100
May-2024	1,188,600	171,400	68,000	300,900
Jun-2024	1,181,100	170,700	67,100	300,100
Jul-2024	1,178,000	171,600	66,800	300,700
Aug-2024	1,186,600	171,800	67,000	302,300
Sep-2024	1,194,100	171,700	68,300	303,900
Oct-2024	1,204,900	172,000	68,800	306,800
Nov-2024	1,208,100	172,700	69,000	306,300
Dec-2024	1,201,900	171,500	68,800	306,000
Jan-2025	1,189,600	169,800	67,900	303,100
Feb-2025	1,198,000	170,800	68,400	305,100
Mar-2025	1,193,500	170,700	68,500	304,700

## Gulfport-Biloxi MSA Nonfarm Employment

Includes Hancock, Harrison, Jackson, and Stone Counties

	Preliminary	Revised	Revised	Month	ly Change	Annua	al Change
	Mar-2025	Feb-2025	Mar-2024	Net	Percent	Net	Percent
Total Nonfarm	170,700	170,800	171,100	(100)	(0.1)	(400)	(0.2)
Total Private	133,100	133,100	133,900	0	0.0	(800)	(0.6)
Goods Producing	27,100	27,200	28,000	(100)	(0.4)	(900)	(3.2)
Service-Providing	143,600	143,600	143,100	0	0.0	500	0.3
Private Service Providing	106,000	105,900	105,900	100	0.1	100	0.1
Mining, Logging, and Construction	8,700	8,600	9,000	100	1.2	(300)	(3.3)
Manufacturing	18,400	18,600	19,000	(200)	(1.1)	(600)	(3.2)
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	26,200	26,300	26,600	(100)	(0.4)	(400)	(1.5)
Wholesale Trade	2,500	2,500	2,600	0	0.0	(100)	(3.8)
Retail Trade	19,100	19,100	19,300	0	0.0	(200)	(1.0)
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities	4,600	4,700	4,700	(100)	(2.1)	(100)	(2.1)
Information	1,500	1,500	1,600	0	0.0	(100)	(6.3)
Financial Activities	6,100	6,200	6,100	(100)	(1.6)	0	0.0
Professional and Business Services	19,600	19,600	19,600	0	0.0	0	0.0
Private Education and Health Services	14,500	14,400	14,200	100	0.7	300	2.1
Leisure and Hospitality	33,000	32,800	32,700	200	0.6	300	0.9
Other Services	5,100	5,100	5,100	0	0.0	0	0.0
Government	37,600	37,700	37,200	(100)	(0.3)	400	1.1
Federal	10,100	10,200	10,100	(100)	(1.0)	0	0.0
State	2,300	2,300	2,300	0	0.0	0	0.0
Local	25,200	25,200	24,800	0	0.0	400	1.6
Local Educational Services	10,400	10,400	10,400	0	0.0	0	0.0

## Hattiesburg MSA Nonfarm Employment

Includes Forrest, Lamar, and Perry Counties

	Preliminary	Revised	Revised	Month	nly Change	Annua	al Change
	Mar-2025	Feb-2025	Mar-2024	Net	Percent	Net	Percent
Total Nonfarm	68,500	68,400	68,500	100	0.1	0	0.0
Total Private	53,400	53,400	53,500	0	0.0	(100)	(0.2)
Goods Producing	7,000	7,100	7,200	(100)	(1.4)	(200)	(2.8)
Service-Providing	61,500	61,300	61,300	200	0.3	200	0.3
Private Service Providing	46,400	46,300	46,300	100	0.2	100	0.2
Manufacturing	4,300	4,300	4,600	0	0.0	(300)	(6.5)
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	13,200	13,200	13,500	0	0.0	(300)	(2.2)
Retail Trade	8,700	8,700	9,100	0	0.0	(400)	(4.4)
Leisure and Hospitality	8,400	8,400	8,300	0	0.0	100	1.2
Government	15,100	15,000	15,000	100	0.7	100	0.7
Federal	800	800	800	0	0.0	0	0.0
State	4,200	4,200	4,100	0	0.0	100	2.4
Local	10,100	10,000	10,100	100	1.0	0	0.0
Local Educational Services	3,900	3,900	3,900	0	0.0	0	0.0

## Jackson MSA Nonfarm Employment

Includes Copiah, Hinds, Holmes, Madison, Rankin, Scott, Simpson, and Yazoo Counties

	Preliminary	Revised	Revised	Month	nly Change	Annua	I Change
	Mar-2025	Feb-2025	Mar-2024	Net	Percent	Net	Percent
Total Nonfarm	304,700	305,100	299,500	(400)	(0.1)	5,200	1.7
Total Private	247,400	247,800	242,400	(400)	(0.2)	5,000	2.1
Goods Producing	41,300	41,600	40,600	(300)	(0.7)	700	1.7
Service-Providing	263,400	263,500	258,900	(100)	(0.0)	4,500	1.7
Private Service Providing	206,100	206,200	201,800	(100)	(0.0)	4,300	2.1
Mining and Logging	900	800	900	100	12.5	0	0.0
Construction	14,600	14,800	13,700	(200)	(1.4)	900	6.6
Manufacturing	25,800	26,000	26,000	(200)	(0.8)	(200)	(0.8)
Durable Goods	12,500	12,600	12,800	(100)	(0.8)	(300)	(2.3)
Transportation Equipment	5,800	5,900	6,100	(100)	(1.7)	(300)	(4.9)
Non-Durable Goods	13,300	13,400	13,200	(100)	(0.7)	100	0.8
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	57,300	57,400	57,300	(100)	(0.2)	0	0.0
Wholesale Trade	11,100	11,000	11,000	100	0.9	100	0.9
Retail Trade	29,500	29,400	29,800	100	0.3	(300)	(1.0)
General Merchandise Stores	7,300	7,300	7,300	0	0.0	0	0.0
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	16,700	17,000	16,500	(300)	(1.8)	200	1.2
Information	3,100	3,200	3,000	(100)	(3.1)	100	3.3
Financial Activities	16,300	16,400	16,100	(100)	(0.6)	200	1.2
Finance & Insurance	12,700	12,700	12,500	0	0.0	200	1.6
Professional and Business Services	37,800	37,900	36,400	(100)	(0.3)	1,400	3.8
Prof., Scientific, and Technical Services	14,600	14,700	14,600	(100)	(0.7)	0	0.0
Management of Companies	3,800	3,700	3,700	100	2.7	100	2.7
Admin. & Support & Waste Management	19,400	19,500	18,100	(100)	(0.5)	1,300	7.2
Private Education and Health Services	51,000	50,700	48,400	300	0.6	2,600	5.4
Health Care and Social Assistance	44,300	43,700	42,100	600	1.4	2,200	5.2
Hospitals	9,100	9,000	8,700	100	1.1	400	4.6
Leisure and Hospitality	27,400	27,300	27,400	100	0.4	0	0.0
Accommodation and Food Services	24,800	24,800	24,800	0	0.0	0	0.0

Other Services (Private)	13,200	13,300	13,200	(100)	(0.8)	0	0.0
Government	57,300	57,300	57,100	0	0.0	200	0.4
Federal	6,700	6,700	6,800	0	0.0	(100)	(1.5)
State	26,600	26,600	26,500	0	0.0	100	0.4
State Educational Services	6,900	6,900	6,900	0	0.0	0	0.0
Local	24,000	24,000	23,800	0	0.0	200	0.8
Local Educational Services	15,300	15,300	15,200	0	0.0	100	0.7

# Preliminary Nonfarm Employment

Ma	r-2025
Area	Nonfarm Employment
Mississippi	1,193,500
Gulfport-Biloxi MSA	170,700
Hattiesburg MSA	68,500
Jackson MSA	304,700
All Other Counties	649,600

## Mississippi Nonfarm Employment

Seasonally Adjusted

Mississippi Seasonally Adjusted	Preliminary	Revised	Revised	Monthly	y Change	Annual	Change
	Mar-2025	Feb-2025	Mar-2024	Net	Percent	Net	Percent
Total Nonfarm	1,196,400	1,199,300	1,188,300	(2,900)	-0.2	8,100	0.7
Total Private	954,700	957,500	949,300	(2,800)	-0.3	5,400	0.6
Goods Producing	197,700	199,900	199,200	(2,200)	-1.1	(1,500)	-0.8
Service-Providing	998,700	999,400	989,100	(700)	-0.1	9,600	1.0
Private Service Providing	757,000	757,600	750,100	(600)	-0.1	6,900	0.9
Mining and Logging	5,800	5,800	6,000	0	0.0	(200)	-3.3
Construction	51,100	52,900	50,900	(1,800)	-3.4	200	0.4
Manufacturing	140,800	141,200	142,300	(400)	-0.3	(1,500)	-1.1
Durable Goods	89,600	90,200	91,200	(600)	-0.7	(1,600)	-1.8
Non-Durable Goods	51,200	51,000	51,100	200	0.4	100	0.2
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	247,300	247,200	248,500	100	0.0	(1,200)	-0.5
Wholesale Trade	36,600	36,700	36,700	(100)	-0.3	(100)	-0.3
Retail Trade	138,700	138,400	139,400	300	0.2	(700)	-0.5
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	72,000	72,100	72,400	(100)	-0.1	(400)	-0.6
Information	9,500	9,600	9,500	(100)	-1.0	0	0.0
Financial Activities	45,000	45,300	45,100	(300)	-0.7	(100)	-0.2
Finance and Insurance	33,700	33,900	33,600	(200)	-0.6	100	0.3
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	11,300	11,400	11,500	(100)	-0.9	(200)	-1.7
Professional and Business Services	118,200	119,100	117,100	(900)	-0.8	1,100	0.9
Professional, Scientific, & Technical Services	40,800	41,000	40,000	(200)	-0.5	800	2.0
Management of Companies and Enterprises	11,500	11,500	11,200	0	0.0	300	2.7
Admin. & Support & Waste Mgt., & Remediation							
Serv.	65,900	66,600	65,900	(700)	-1.1	0	0.0
Private Education and Health Services	159,600	159,100	154,500	500	0.3	5,100	3.3
Private Educational Services	14,600	15,000	13,700	(400)	-2.7	900	6.6
Health Care and Social Assistance	145,000	144,100	140,800	900	0.6	4,200	3.0
Leisure and Hospitality	137,700	137,700	135,800	0	0.0	1,900	1.4

Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	10,800	10,900	10,400	(100)	-0.9	400	3.8
Accommodation and Food Services	126,900	126,800	125,400	100	0.1	1,500	1.2
Other Services	39,700	39,600	39,600	100	0.3	100	0.3
Government	241,700	241,800	239,000	(100)	0.0	2,700	1.1
Federal Government	27,400	27,400	27,400	0	0.0	0	0.0
State Government	58,300	58,400	57,600	(100)	-0.2	700	1.2
Local Government	156,000	156,000	154,000	0	0.0	2,000	1.3
Gulfport-Biloxi MSA Total Nonfarm	170,800	171,600	171,200	(800)	-0.5	(400)	-0.2
Hattiesburg MSA Total Nonfarm	68,600	68,400	68,500	200	0.3	100	0.1
Jackson MSA Total Nonfarm	305,700	305,500	299,700	200	0.1	6,000	2.0

## Hours & Earnings

	Averag	e Weekly Ea	rnings	Avera	ge Weekly H	ours	Avera	ge Hourly Ear	nings
All Workers Earnings	Preliminary	Revised	Revised	Preliminary	Revised	Revised	Preliminary	Revised	Revised
-	Mar-2025	Feb-2025	Mar-2024	Mar-2025	Feb-2025	Mar-2024	Mar-2025	Feb-2025	Mar-2024
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Total Private Nonfarm	\$994.40	\$994.40	\$904.10	35.2	35.3	34.8	\$28.25	\$28.17	\$25.98
Private Goods Producing	\$1,264.65	\$1,270.32	\$1,126.24	41.1	41.5	40.6	\$30.77	\$30.61	\$27.74
Private Service Providing	\$924.73	\$919.63	\$843.28	33.7	33.6	33.2	\$27.44	\$27.37	\$25.40
Construction	\$1,352.65	\$1,354.66	\$1,121.33	41.8	41.1	38.6	\$32.36	\$32.96	\$29.05
Manufacturing	\$1,038.60	\$1,028.70	\$1,001.64	39.9	40.5	40.9	\$26.03	\$25.40	\$24.49
Trade, Transp., & Utilities	\$945.01	\$931.30	\$848.32	35.5	35.6	35.2	\$26.62	\$26.16	\$24.10
Financial Activities	\$1,252.97	\$1,224.12	\$1,042.53	37.9	37.7	35.4	\$33.06	\$32.47	\$29.45
Prof. & Business Services	\$1,005.82	\$983.37	\$965.81	34.2	33.7	35.3	\$29.41	\$29.18	\$27.36
Education & Health Srvcs.	\$1,015.16	\$1,035.48	\$984.09	34.6	34.9	34.7	\$29.34	\$29.67	\$28.36
Leisure and Hospitality	\$470.93	\$452.76	\$438.75	27.3	26.4	27.1	\$17.25	\$17.15	\$16.19
<b>GULFPORT-BILOXI MSA</b>									
Total Private	\$930.89	\$919.12	\$909.71	35.9	36.2	35.9	\$25.93	\$25.39	\$25.34
HATTIESBURG MSA									
Total Private	\$1,094.03	\$1,073.84	\$974.38	36.7	36.6	34.7	\$29.81	\$29.34	\$28.08
JACKSON MSA									
Total Private	\$989.00	\$990.84	\$953.23	34.4	34.5	34.6	\$28.75	\$28.72	\$27.55

Production Workers Earnings	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Preliminary	Revised	Revised	Preliminary	Revised	Revised	Preliminary	Revised	Revised
	Mar-2025	Feb-2025	Mar-2024	Mar-2025	Feb-2025	Mar-2024	Mar-2025	Feb-2025	Mar-2024
MISSISSIPPI									
Manufacturing	\$966.54	\$935.85	\$917.57	41.5	41.1	41.5	\$23.29	\$22.77	\$22.11
Durable Goods	\$1,037.85	\$1,037.80	\$983.03	43.1	43.9	42.5	\$24.08	\$23.64	\$23.13
Nondurable Goods	\$866.96	\$790.60	\$816.35	39.3	37.1	39.9	\$22.06	\$21.31	\$20.46

#### **Consumer Price Index, South Region**

The South region is comprised of Alabama, Arkansas, Delaware, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, and West Virginia

#### Regional prices increased 0.1 percent in March, up 1.9 percent over the last year

#### Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

The Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) in the South region increased 0.1 percent in March, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics report-ed today. The index for all items less food and energy was unchanged over the month, while the index for food rose 0.2 percent. The energy index was also unchanged in March. (Data in this report are not seasonally adjusted. Accordingly, month-to-month changes may reflect the impact of seasonal influences.)

The South all items CPI-U rose 1.9 per-cent for the 12 months ending March, after increasing 2.3 percent for the 12 months ending February. The index for all items less food and energy rose 2.4 percent over the last 12 months. The food index increased 2.6 percent for the 12 months ending March. The energy index fell 4.5 percent over the last year.

Europediture Catagory	Mar-2025	Feb-2025	Mar 2024	Monthly Change		Annual Change	
Expenditure Category			Mar-2024	Net	Percent	Net	Percent
All Items	310.2	310.0	304.5	0.2	0.1	5.7	1.9
Food & Beverages	328.8	328.2	320.8	0.6	0.2	8.0	2.5
Housing	321.6	320.2	310.9	1.4	0.4	10.7	3.5
Rent of primary residence	400.2	399.6	388.3	0.7	0.2	11.9	3.1
Household Energy	254.0	249.9	244.4	4.2	1.7	9.6	3.9
Energy Services	254.3	249.9	244.3	4.4	1.8	10.0	4.1
Apparel	143.4	141.3	144.8	2.1	1.5	(1.4)	(1.0)
Transportation	269.4	272.0	274.7	(2.6)	(1.0)	(5.3)	(1.9)
New & Used Motor Vehicles*	125.9	125.7	127.1	0.2	0.1	(1.2)	(0.9)
New Vehicles	185.4	185.3	185.7	0.1	0.0	(0.4)	(0.2)
Used Cars & Trucks	181.0	180.6	180.6	0.4	0.2	0.5	0.2
Motor fuel	253.3	257.6	287.4	(4.3)	(1.7)	(34.1)	(11.9)
Gasoline (all types)	251.9	256.2	285.9	(4.3)	(1.7)	(34.0)	(11.9)
Medical Care	540.5	542.0	529.8	(1.5)	(0.3)	10.7	2.0
Professional Services	410.3	409.3	397.8	1.0	0.3	12.5	3.1
Recreation*	140.8	141.9	138.5	(1.2)	(0.8)	2.3	1.6
Education & Communication*	141.0	140.6	141.2	0.4	0.3	(0.2)	(0.2)
Other Goods & Services	548.6	545.2	529.4	3.4	0.6	19.2	3.6
All items less food and energy	316.1	316.0	308.8	0.1	0.0	7.3	2.4
Energy	248.3	248.2	260.0	0.0	0.0	(11.7)	(4.5)
Services	400.3	399.9	387.2	0.4	0.1	13.1	3.4

Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) in the South Census Region, not seasonally adjusted (1982-84=100 unless otherwise noted)

\*Indexes on a December 1997=100 base. NOTE: Data is rounded. Area indexes do not measure differences in the level of prices between cities; they only measure the average change in prices for each area since the base period. For further information on the CPI series visit the BLS website, bls.gov/cpi.

## CPI for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) South Census Region

CPI-U Comparison 10 years ago - 5 years ago and current

	Feb-2020	Mar-2024	Mar-2025
All Items	248.1	304.5	310.2
All items less food and energy	255.8	308.8	316.1
Energy	182.9	260.0	248.3
Apparel	132.7	144.8	143.4
Food & Beverages	258.9	320.8	328.8
Other Goods & Services	439.0	529.4	548.6
Housing	248.0	310.9	321.6
Rent of primary residence	302.8	388.3	400.2
Household Energy	188.3	244.4	254.0
Energy Services	188.5	244.3	254.3
Gasoline (all types)	184.5	285.9	251.9

\*Indexes on a December 1997=100 base. April 2022 Household Energy and Energy Services are revised.

# Mississippi Unemployment Claims Data

	Max 2025	Feb-2025	Mar-2024 -	Monthly Change		Annual Change	
	Mar-2025			Net	Percent	Net	Percent
Initial Claims	5,447	3,340	4,242	2,107.0	63.1	1,205	28.4
Continued Claims	30,572	27,464	27,178	3,108	11.3	3,394	12.5
First Payments	\$1,268	\$1,340	\$1,201	(\$72)	(5.4)	\$67	5.6
Final Payments	459	388	359	71	18.3	100	27.9
Weeks Paid	21,427	19,898	16,940	1,529	7.7	4,487	26.5
Benefits Paid	4,698,580	4,377,645	3,731,298	320,935	7.3	967,282	25.9
Average Weekly Benefit	\$219.28	\$220.00	\$220.27	(\$0.72)	(0.3)	(\$0.99)	(0.4)

#### Mississippi Regular UI claims

## **Comparative Labor Force Estimates**

	Preliminary Mar-2025	Revised Feb-2025	Revised Mar-2024	Monthly Net Change	Monthly Percent Change	Annual Net Change	Annual Percent Change
MISSISSIPPI							
Civilian Labor Force	1,298,062	1,295,844	1,255,840	2,218	0.2	42,222	3.4
Unemployed	51,550	53,358	31,449	(1,808)	(3.4)	20,101	63.9
Unemployment Rate	4.0%	4.1%	2.5%	(0.1)		1.5	
Employed	1,246,512	1,242,486	1,224,391	4,026	0.3	22,121	1.8
GULFPORT-BILOXI MSA							
Civilian Labor Force	191,430	191,350	186,360	80	0.0	5,070	2.7
Unemployed	7,020	7,430	4,330	(410)	(5.5)	2,690	62.1
Unemployment Rate	3.7%	3.9%	2.3%	(0.2)		1.4	
Employed	184,420	183,920	182,030	500	0.3	2,390	1.3
HATTIESBURG MSA							
Civilian Labor Force	71,810	71,830	70,040	(20)	(0.0)	1,770	2.5
Unemployed	2,610	2,760	1,620	(150)	(5.4)	990	61.1
Unemployment Rate	3.6%	3.8%	2.3%	(0.2)		1.3	
Employed	69,200	69,070	68,420	130	0.2	780	1.1
JACKSON MSA							
Civilian Labor Force	290,030	290,020	278,110	10	0.0	11,920	4.3
Unemployed	10,240	10,690	6,320	(450)	(4.2)	3,920	62.0
Unemployment Rate	3.5%	3.7%	2.3%	(0.2)		1.2	
Employed	279,790	279,330	271,800	460	0.2	7,990	2.9

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