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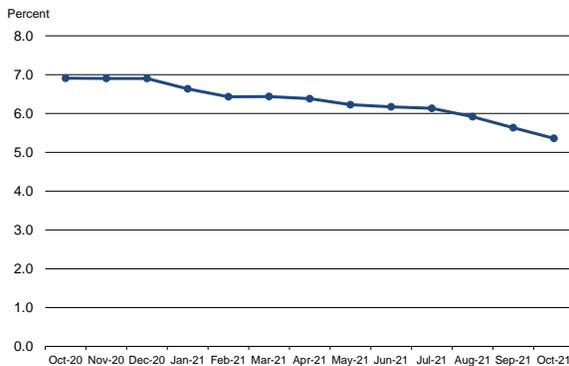
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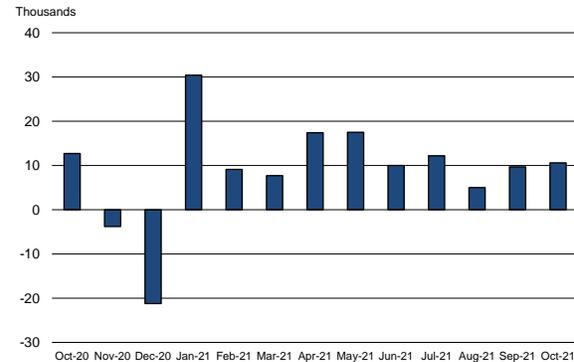
Colorado Employment Situation – October 2021

Unemployment Rate Declines to 5.4%; Colorado Job Recovery Continues to Outpace U.S.

Colorado unemployment rate, seasonally adjusted
October 2020 - October 2021



Colorado nonfarm payroll employment over-the-month change, seasonally adjusted, October 2020 - October 2021



Household survey data

According to the survey of households, Colorado's seasonally adjusted **unemployment rate** fell two-tenths of a percentage point in October to 5.4 percent. The national unemployment rate also declined by two-tenths of a percentage point to 4.6 percent.

Other highlights from the household survey:

- Colorado's **labor force** increased by 3,400 in October to 3,196,800. The share of Coloradans participating in the labor force held at 68.2 percent last month. The state continues to experience a faster rate of recovery in the participation rate than the U.S.
- The **number of individuals employed** in Colorado grew by 11,900 in October to 3,025,500, which represents 64.5 percent of the state's 16+ population. Colorado's employment-to-population ratio has trended upward over the past two months.
- The **Colorado counties** with the highest unemployment rates in October were: Pueblo (6.8%), Huerfano (6.1%), Las Animas (5.5%), Fremont (5.5%), and Pitkin (5.4%). County-level unemployment rates are not seasonally adjusted and are directly comparable to Colorado's October unadjusted rate of 4.5 percent.

Establishment survey data

Employers in Colorado added 10,600 **nonfarm payroll jobs** from September to October for a total of 2,756,300 jobs, according to the survey of business establishments. Private sector payroll jobs increased 10,000 and government added 600 jobs. Over the past 18 months, Colorado has gained back 313,100 of the 375,800 nonfarm payroll jobs lost between February and April of last year. That translates to a **job recovery rate** of 83.3 percent, which exceeds the U.S. rate of 81.2 percent.

Other highlights from the establishment survey:

- **September estimates** were revised up to 2,745,700, and the over the month change from August to September was a gain of 9,700 rather than the originally estimated increase of 5,100 (monthly revisions are based on additional responses from businesses and government agencies since the last published estimates).
- **Private industry sectors with significant job gains** in October were: leisure and hospitality (~6,800), trade, transportation, and utilities (~2,100), and professional and business services (~1,900). Significant over the month private sector **job loss** occurred in other services (~2,000).
- **Since October 2020**, nonfarm payroll jobs have increased 104,600, with the private sector growing by 92,500 jobs and government adding an additional 12,100 jobs. The largest **private sector job gains** were in leisure and hospitality (~45,200), professional and business services (~23,400), and trade, transportation, and utilities (~15,800). During that same period, construction (~1,200) **payroll jobs declined**. Colorado's **rate of job growth** over the past year is 3.9 percent, compared to the U.S. rate of 4.1 percent.
- Over the year, the **average workweek** for all Colorado employees on private nonfarm payrolls decreased from 33.7 to 33.3 hours, while **average hourly earnings** increased from \$30.83 to \$32.54, a dollar and fifty-eight cents more than the national average hourly earnings of \$30.96.

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All Colorado estimates from the establishment and household surveys, including greater geographic detail, are available at: <http://www.colmigateway.com>. Estimates for all states and the nation are available at: <http://www.bls.gov>.

The **November 2021 Colorado Employment Situation** will be released at 8:00 AM on Friday, December 17, 2021. The full schedule of release dates for calendar year 2021 estimates is available at <http://www.colmigateway.com>.

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Technical Notes

This release provides information on industry employment and labor force statistics for October 2021, the most current estimates available from the Colorado Department of Labor and Employment. The reference period for the establishment and household surveys was the pay period or week that includes the 12th of the month. Therefore, this release provides an estimate of Colorado's employment situation as vaccination rates among the adult population continued to increase and pandemic-related restrictions were relaxed for businesses across the state. Additionally, the October reference week overlaps a period in which COVID-19 case rates for Colorado and the nation remained elevated compared to earlier in the year. For information on Colorado unemployment insurance claims activity and related statistics, visit www.colmigateway.com. For information regarding impacts to Bureau of Labor Statistics data collection and processing during the pandemic, go to www.bls.gov/bls/bls-covid-19-questions-and-answers.htm.

The unemployment rate, labor force, labor force participation, total employment and the number of unemployed are based on a survey of households. The total employment estimate derived from this survey is intended to measure the number of people employed.

Nonfarm payroll jobs estimates are based on a survey of business establishments and government agencies, and are intended to measure the number of jobs, not the number of people employed. Other series based on this survey include private sector average weekly hours, average hourly earnings and average weekly earnings.

The business establishment survey covers about seven times the number of households surveyed and is therefore considered a more reliable indicator of economic conditions. Because the estimates are based on two separate surveys, one measuring jobs by worksite and the other measuring persons employed and unemployed by household, estimates based on these surveys may provide seemingly conflicting results.

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Supplemental information available in following pages

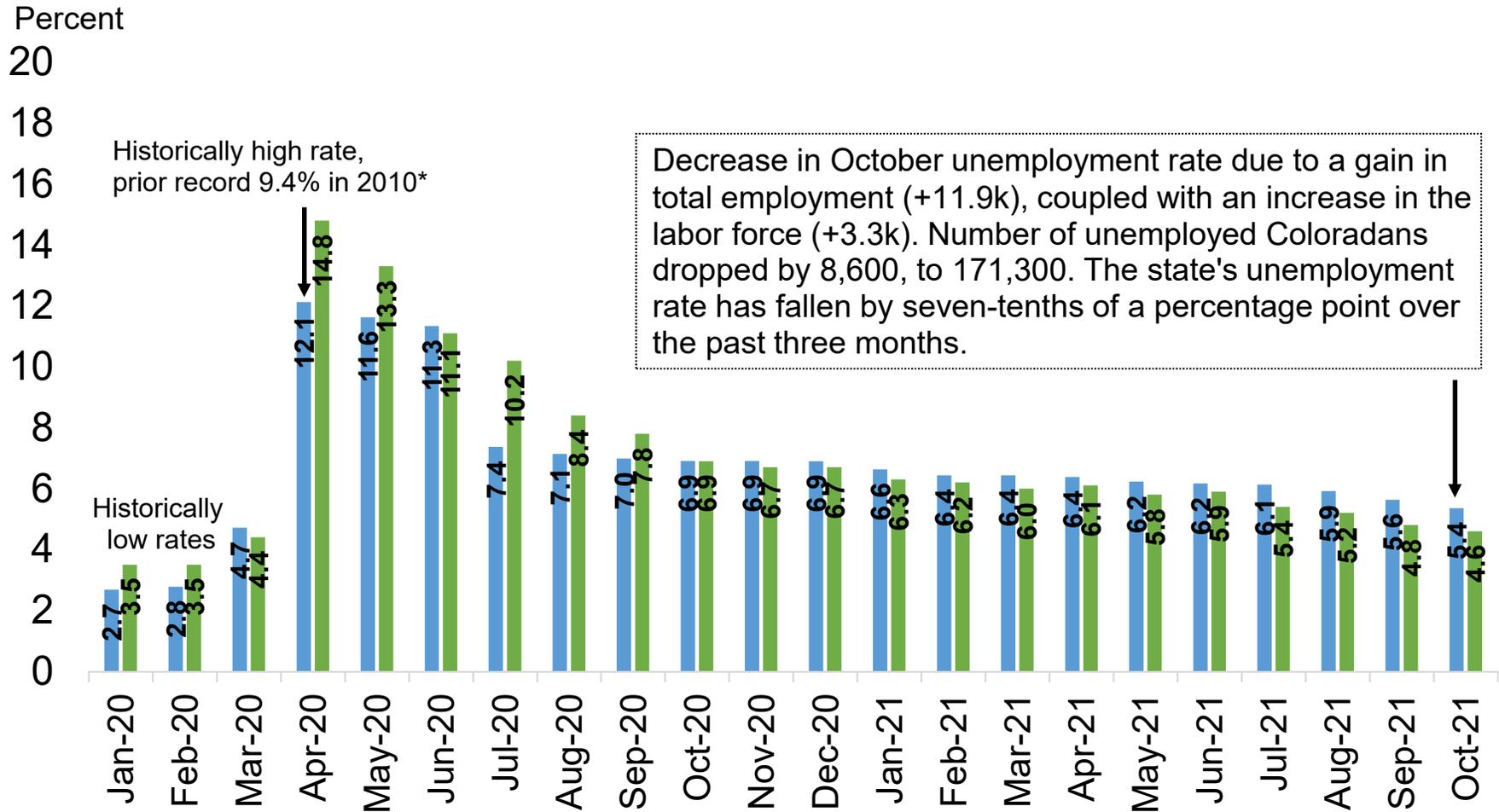
OCTOBER 2021

EMPLOYMENT SITUATION SUPPLEMENTAL CHARTS

NOVEMBER 19, 2021

This provides information on industry employment and labor force statistics, derived from surveys of business establishments and households. The reference period for these surveys is the pay period or week that includes the 12th of the month. The reference week for October was specifically October 10th – October 16th.

U.S. and Colorado Unemployment Rates Continue Rapid Decline in October



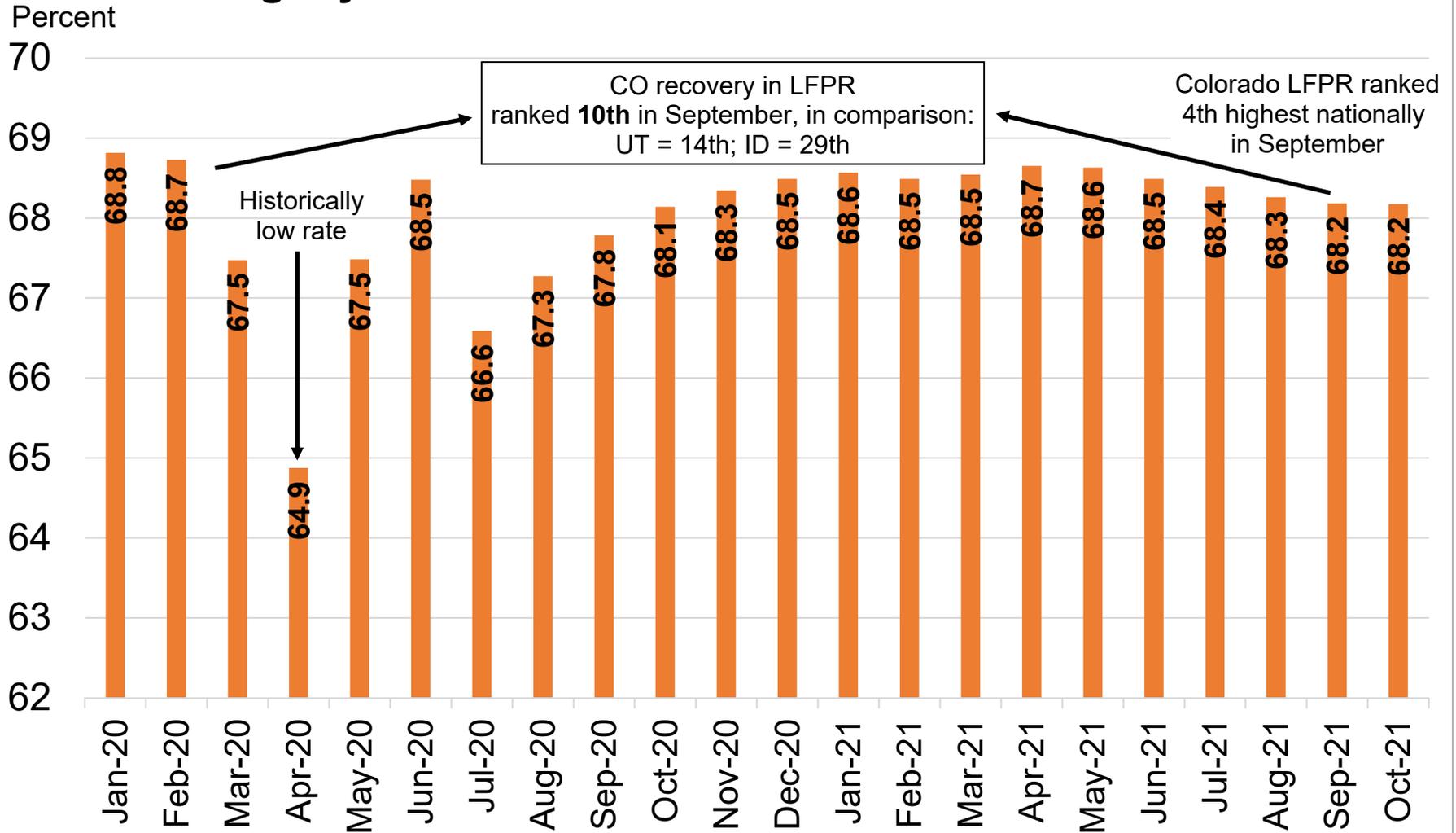
Source: Colorado Department of Labor and Employment; Bureau of Labor Statistics

Data seasonally adjusted

*Note: starting 2021, a new methodology is being used in the calculation of state labor force statistics. This caused revisions of prior year's data back to 1976. Colorado's peak unemployment rate during the Great Recession is now 9.4%, rather than the previously published 8.9%. For more information: <https://www.bls.gov/lau/launews1.htm>

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Colorado's Labor Force Participation Rate Remains Slightly Below Pre-Pandemic Rate of 68.7 Percent

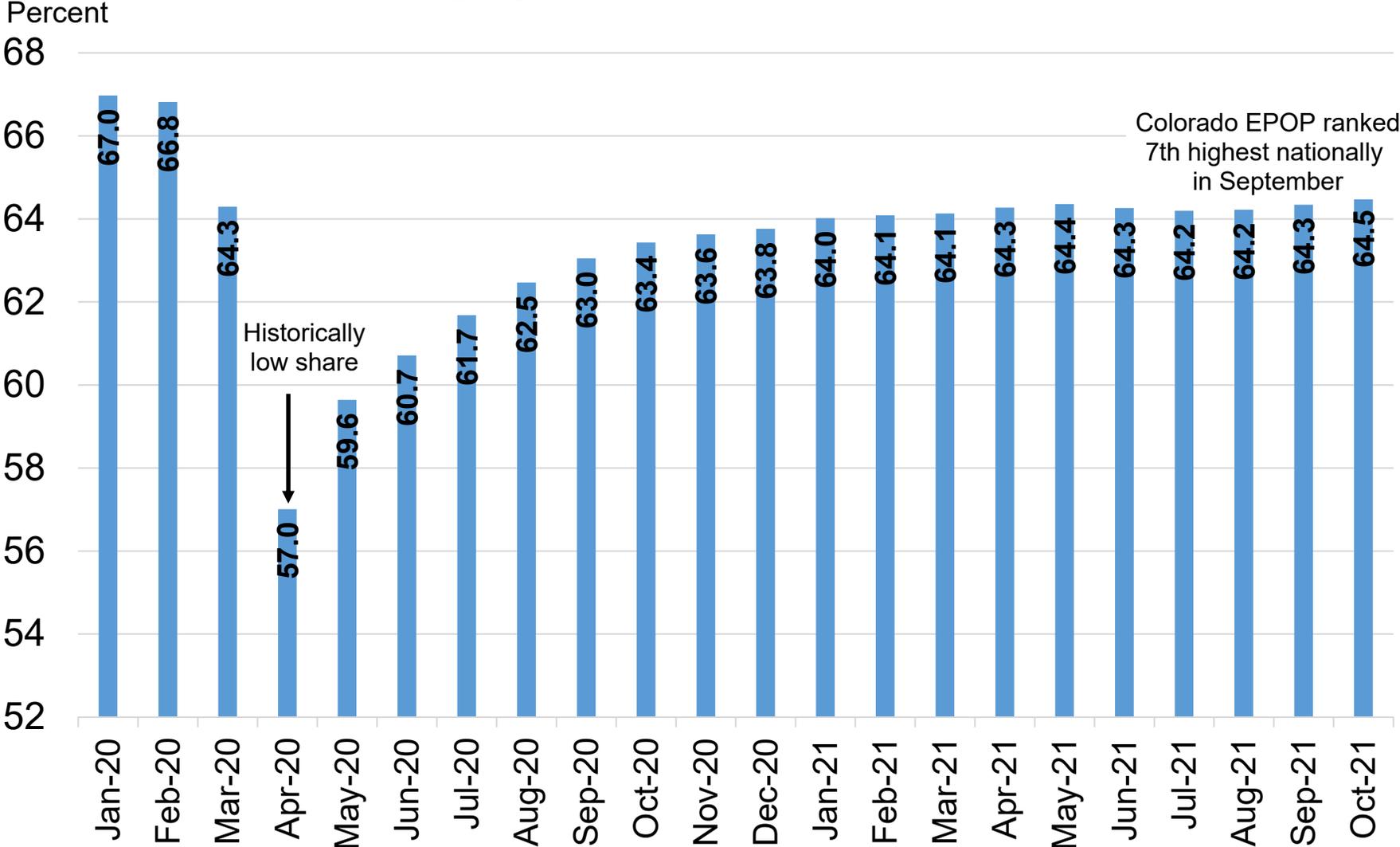


Source: Colorado Department of Labor and Employment; Bureau of Labor Statistics

Data seasonally adjusted. Estimates share of Colorado's 16+ population that is in the labor force in a given month.

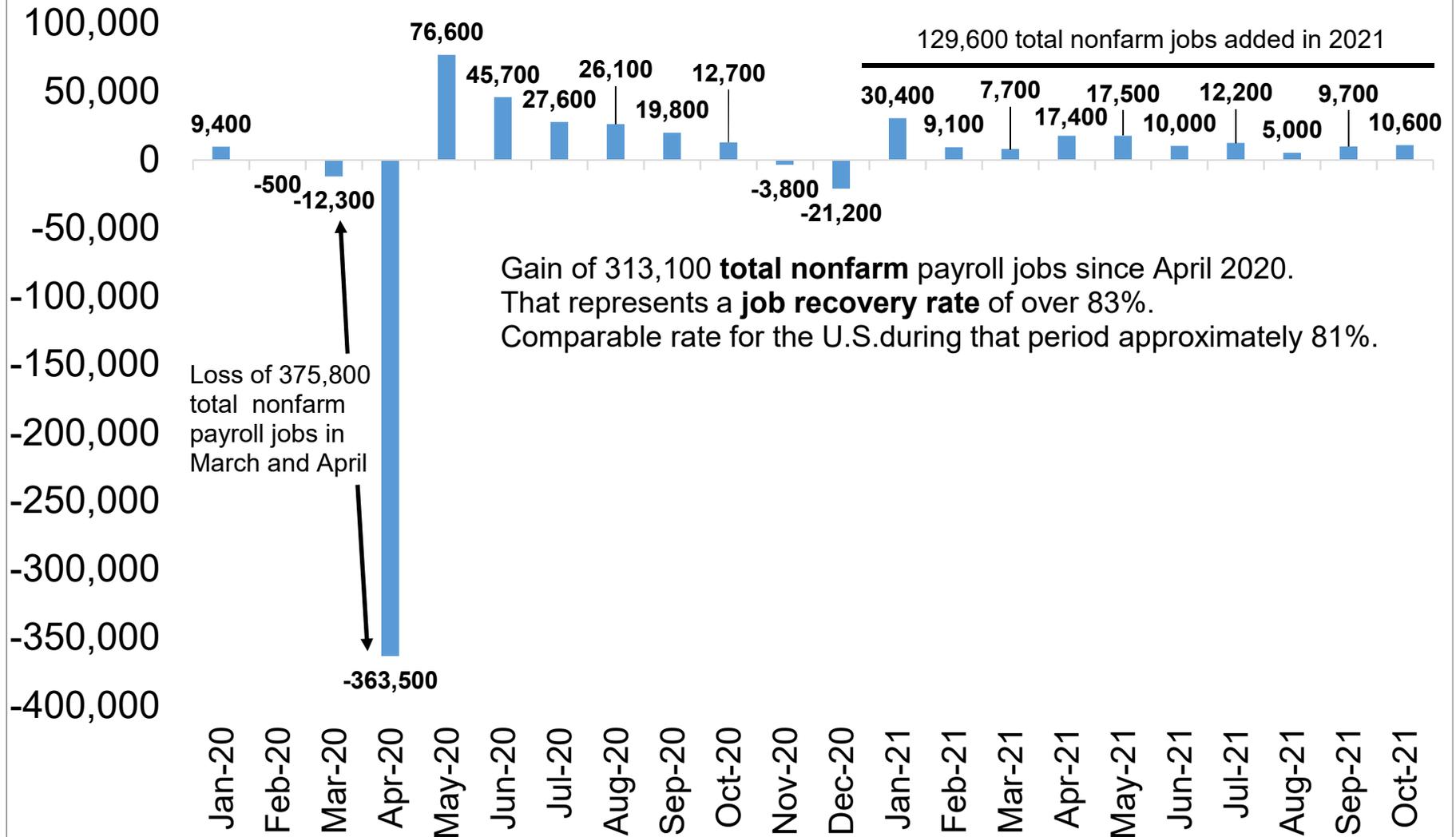
For further information on labor force definitions, go here: <https://www.bls.gov/lau/laufaq.htm>

Colorado's Employment-to-Population Ratio Trending Upward Over Past Two Months



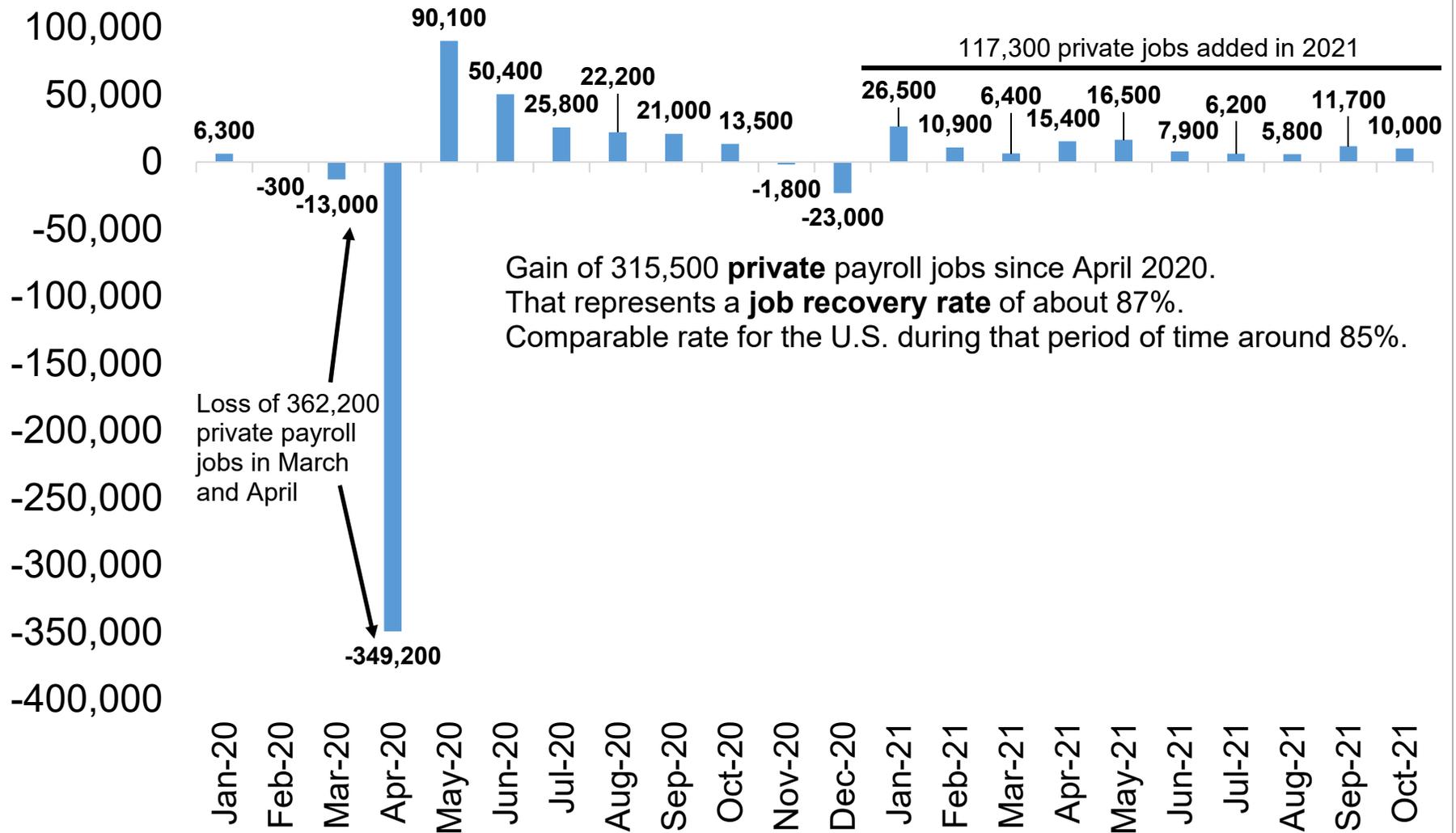
Source: Colorado Department of Labor and Employment; Bureau of Labor Statistics
Data seasonally adjusted. Estimates share of Colorado's 16+ population that is employed in a given month.

Colorado Added 10,600 Total Nonfarm Jobs in October; September Payroll Figures Revised Up 4,600



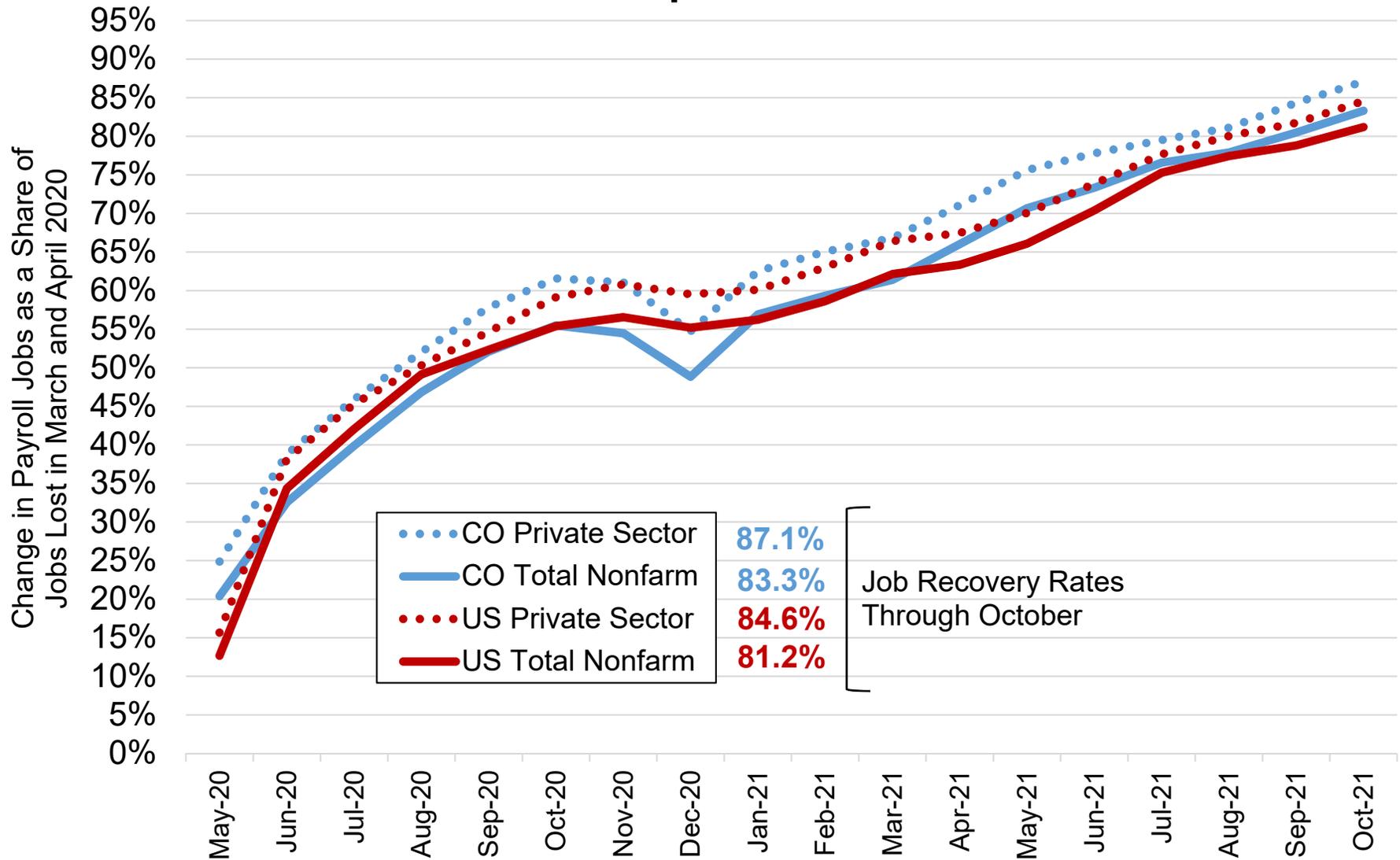
Source: Colorado Department of Labor and Employment; Bureau of Labor Statistics
Data seasonally adjusted

10,000 Private Sector Jobs Added in October; Colorado Job Recovery Continues to Outpace U.S.



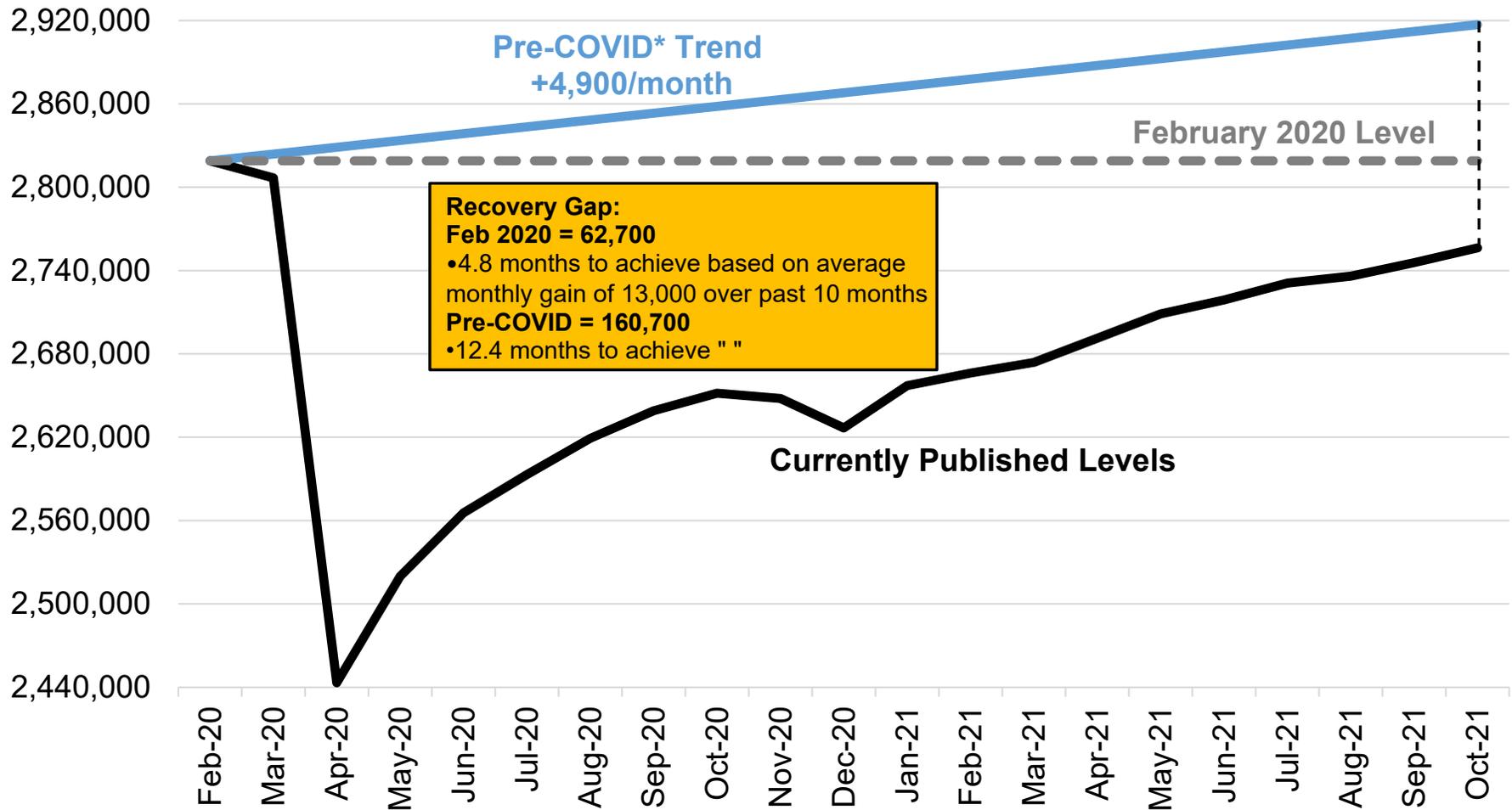
Source: Colorado Department of Labor and Employment; Bureau of Labor Statistics
Data seasonally adjusted

The National and Colorado Rates of Job Recovery Continue to Improve into Autumn



Source: Colorado Department of Labor and Employment; Bureau of Labor Statistics
Data seasonally adjusted

Colorado Total Nonfarm Employment and the Gap Between Different Measures of Recovery Baselines

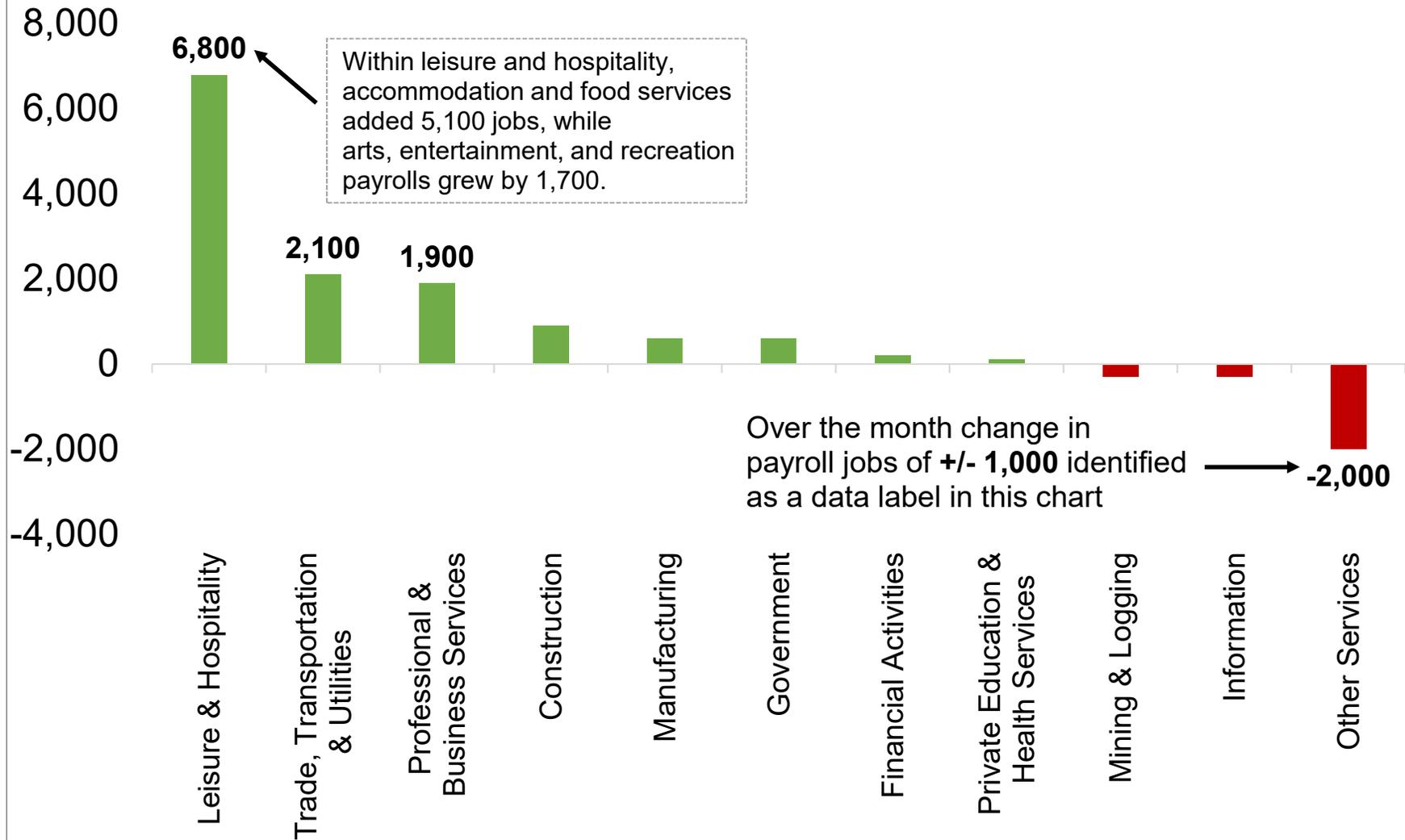


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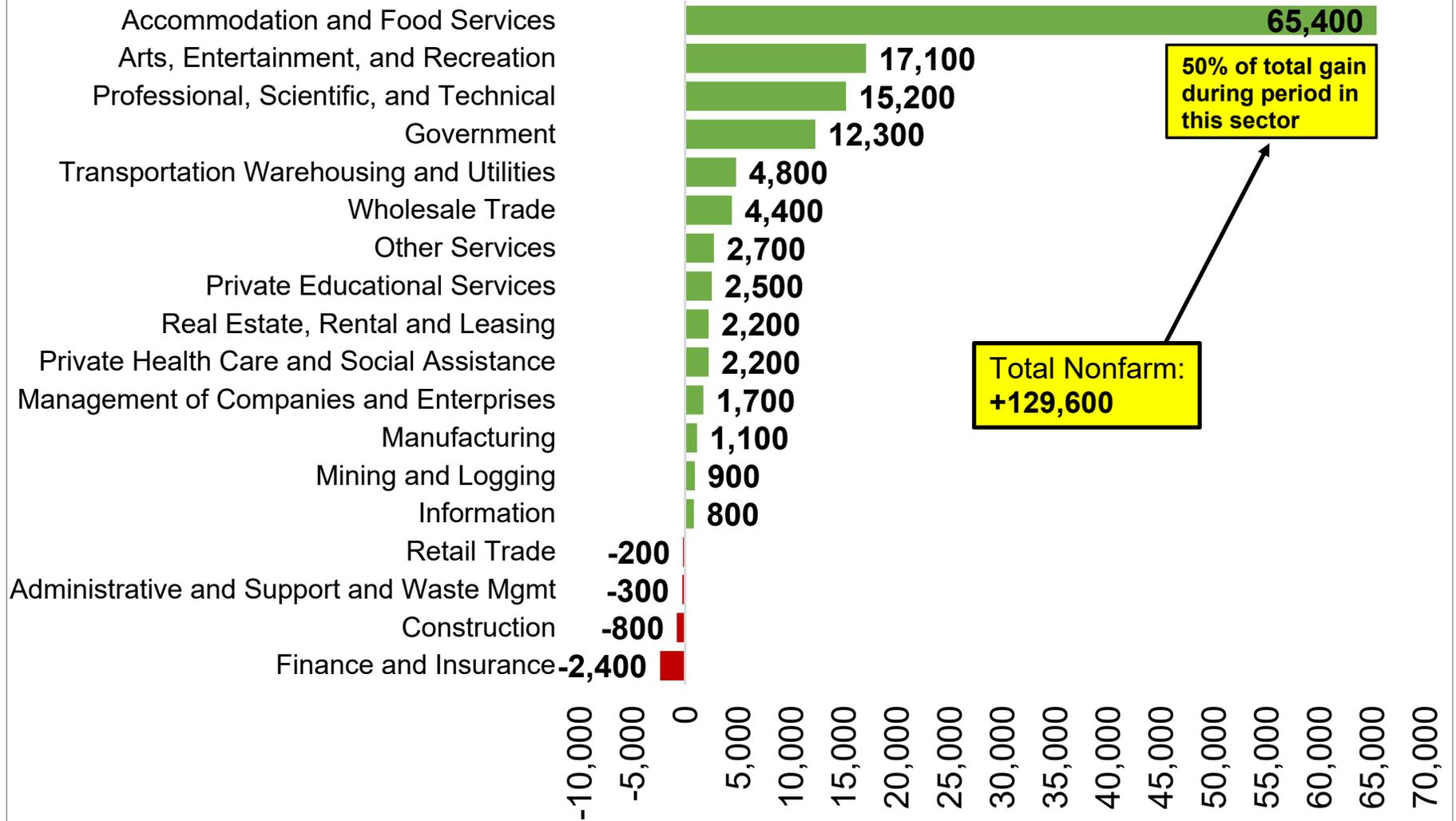
*Note: the **blue line** represents the trendline in the level of total nonfarm employment if the 2019 average monthly gain of 4,900 payroll jobs had held constant. This can be used as a baseline if no pandemic-related recession had occurred and job growth had continued at an uninterrupted pace.

Majority of Industries Had Job Gains in October, Led by Leisure and Hospitality



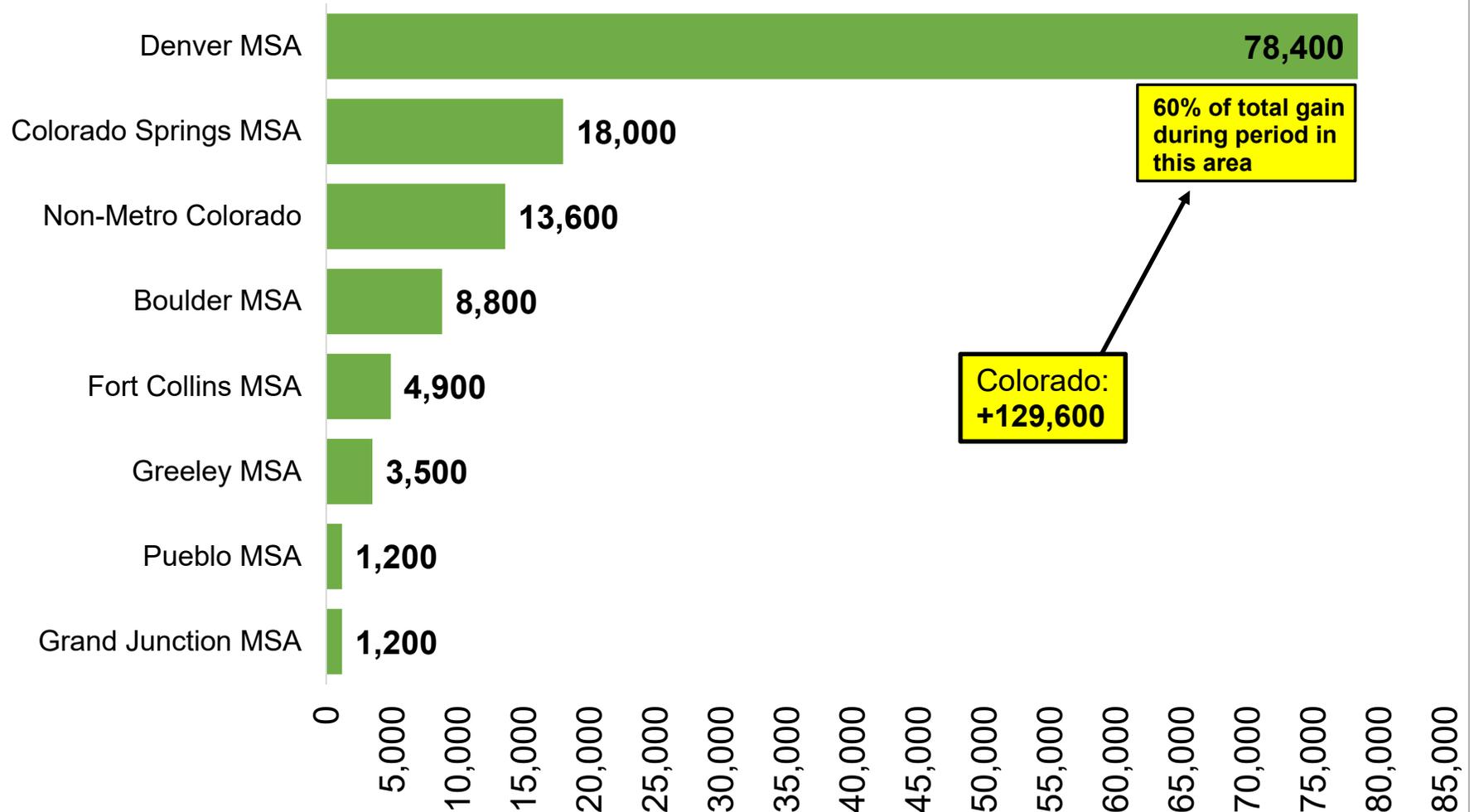
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Change in Payroll Jobs First Ten Months of 2021, by Industry Sector



Source: Colorado Department of Labor and Employment; Bureau of Labor Statistics
Data seasonally adjusted

Change in Payroll Jobs First Ten Months of 2021, by Colorado Substate Area

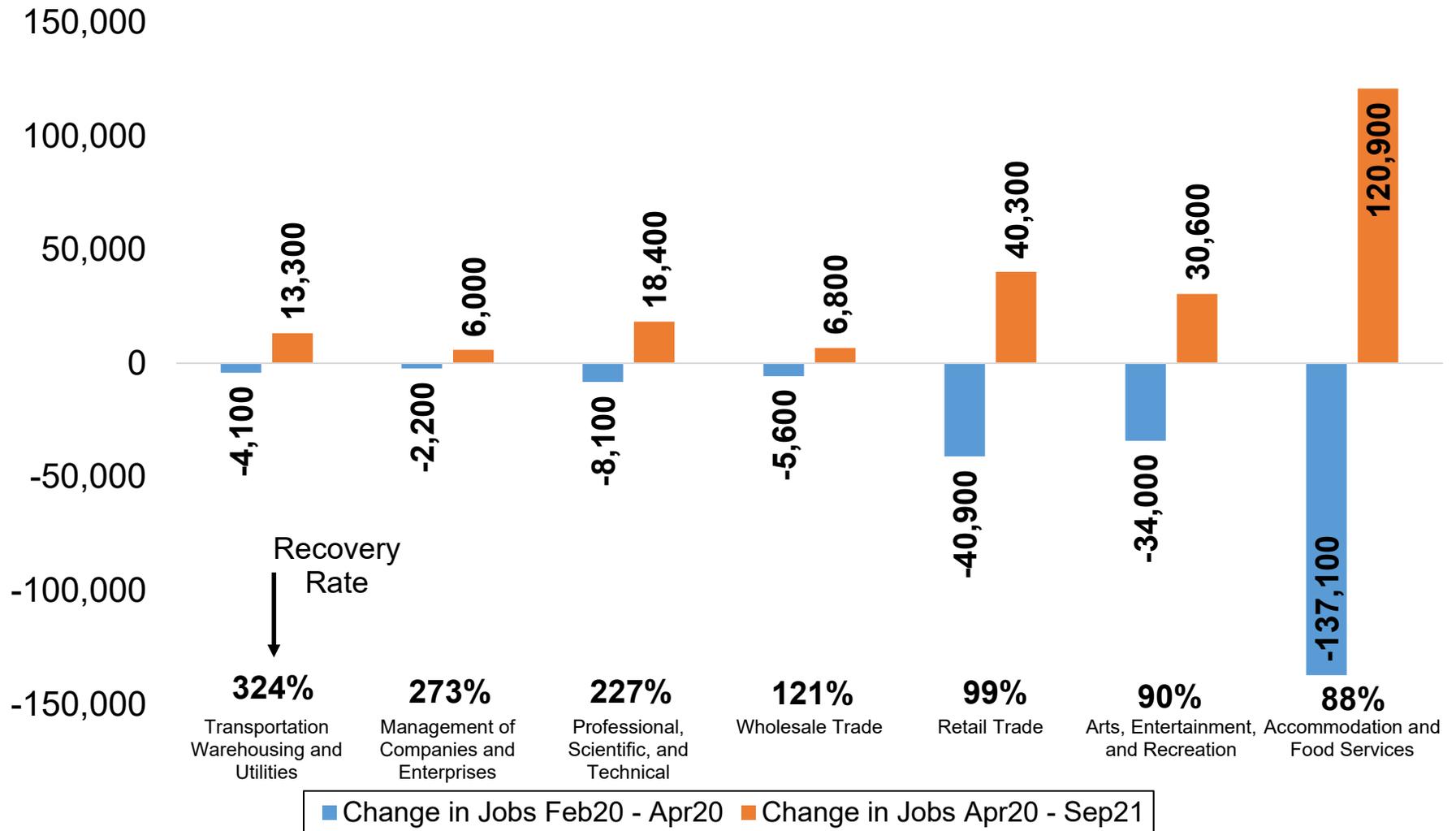


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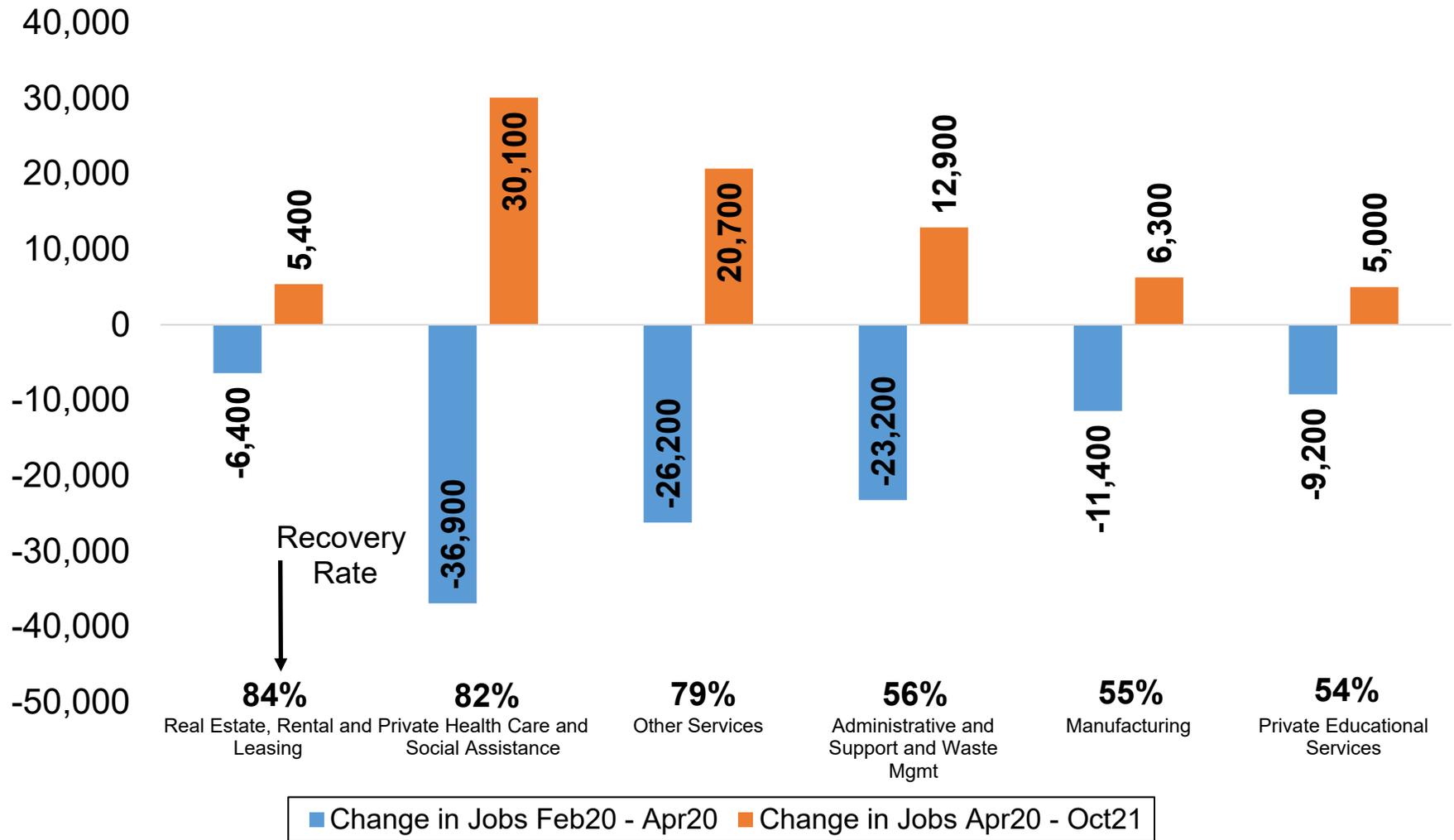
Note: MSA = Metropolitan Statistical Area; Non-Metro Colorado = residual of state that is not an MSA (47 counties)

Colorado Industry Sectors with the Fastest Payroll Job Recovery Rates



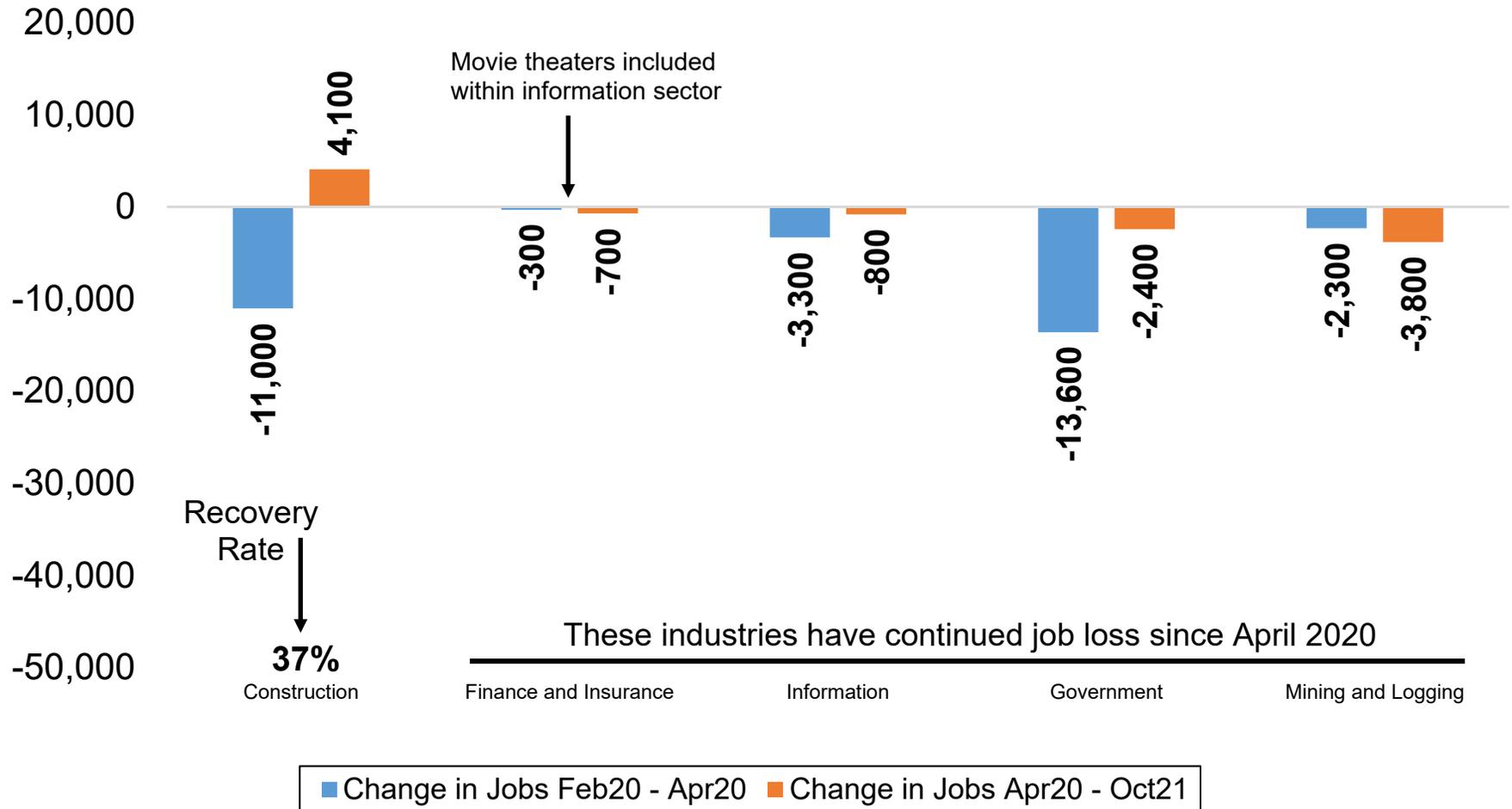
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Colorado Industry Sectors with Payroll Job Recovery Rates Between 54 and 84 Percent



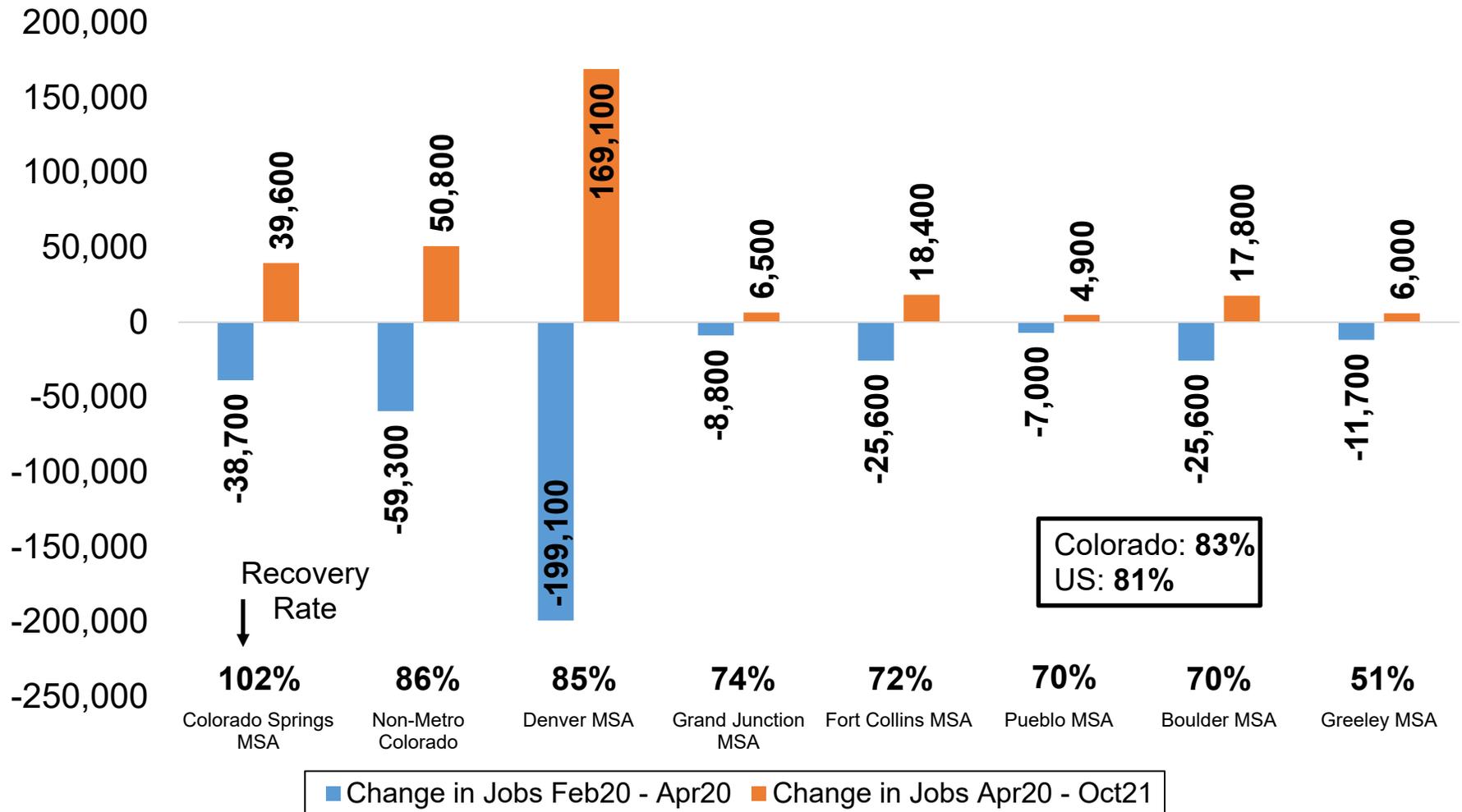
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Colorado Industry Sectors with Relatively Low Recovery Rates or with Continued Losses in Payroll Jobs



Source: Colorado Department of Labor and Employment; Bureau of Labor Statistics
Data seasonally adjusted

Total Nonfarm Job Recovery Rates by Colorado Substate Area

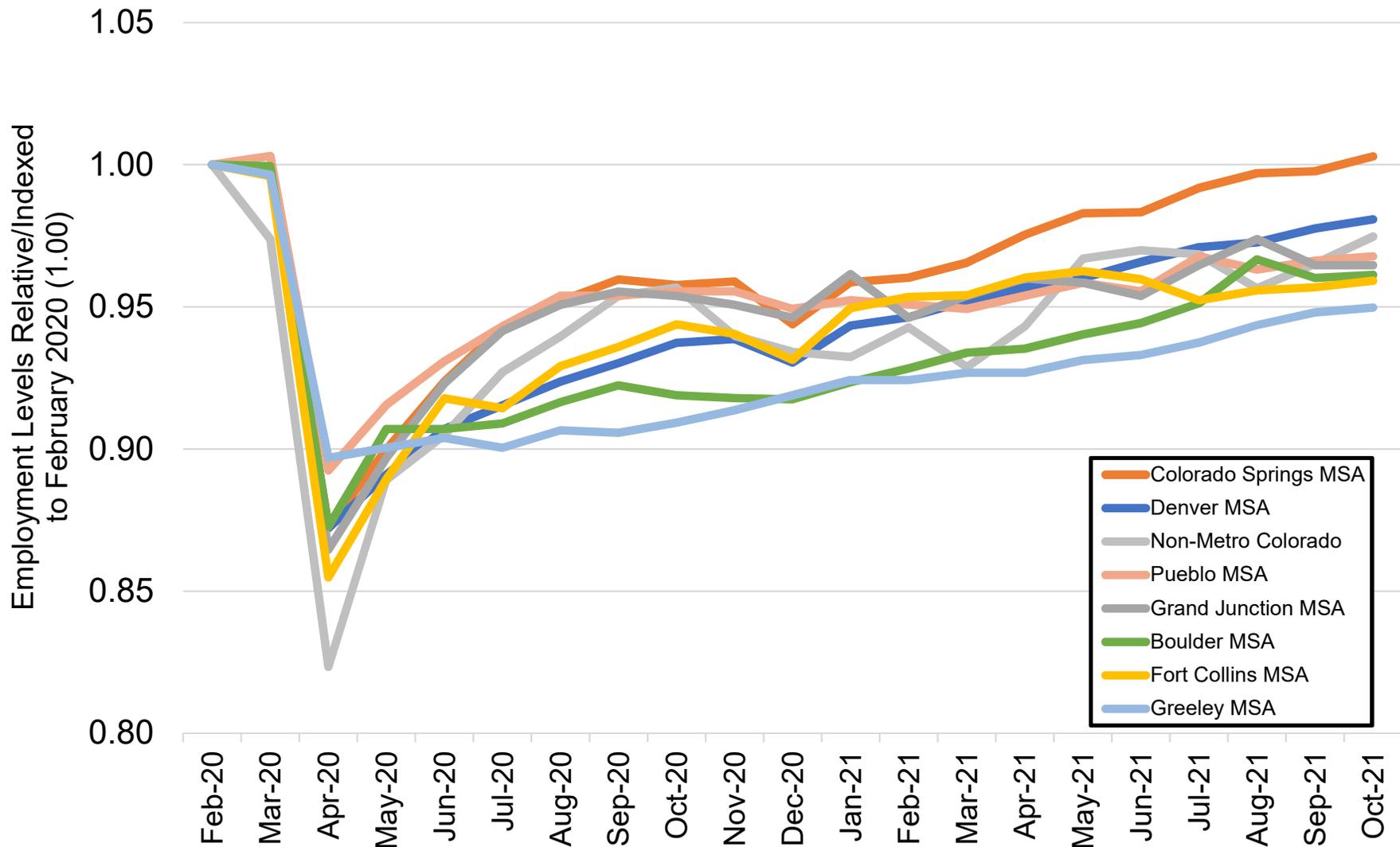


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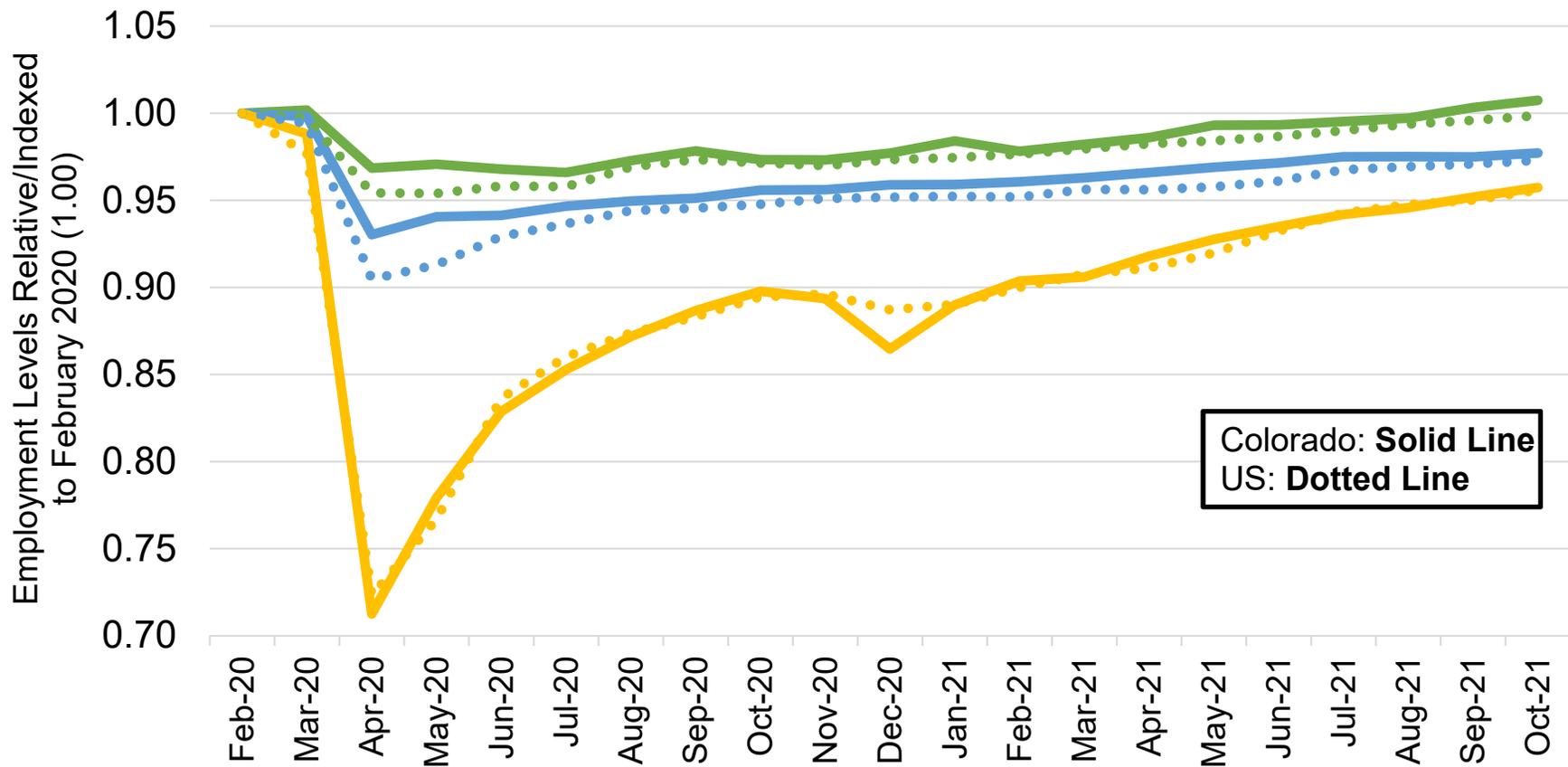
Colorado Job Loss & Recovery by Colorado Substate Area



Source: Colorado Department of Labor and Employment; Bureau of Labor Statistics

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Job Loss and Recovery by Low, Medium, and High Wage Industries (Colorado & U.S.)

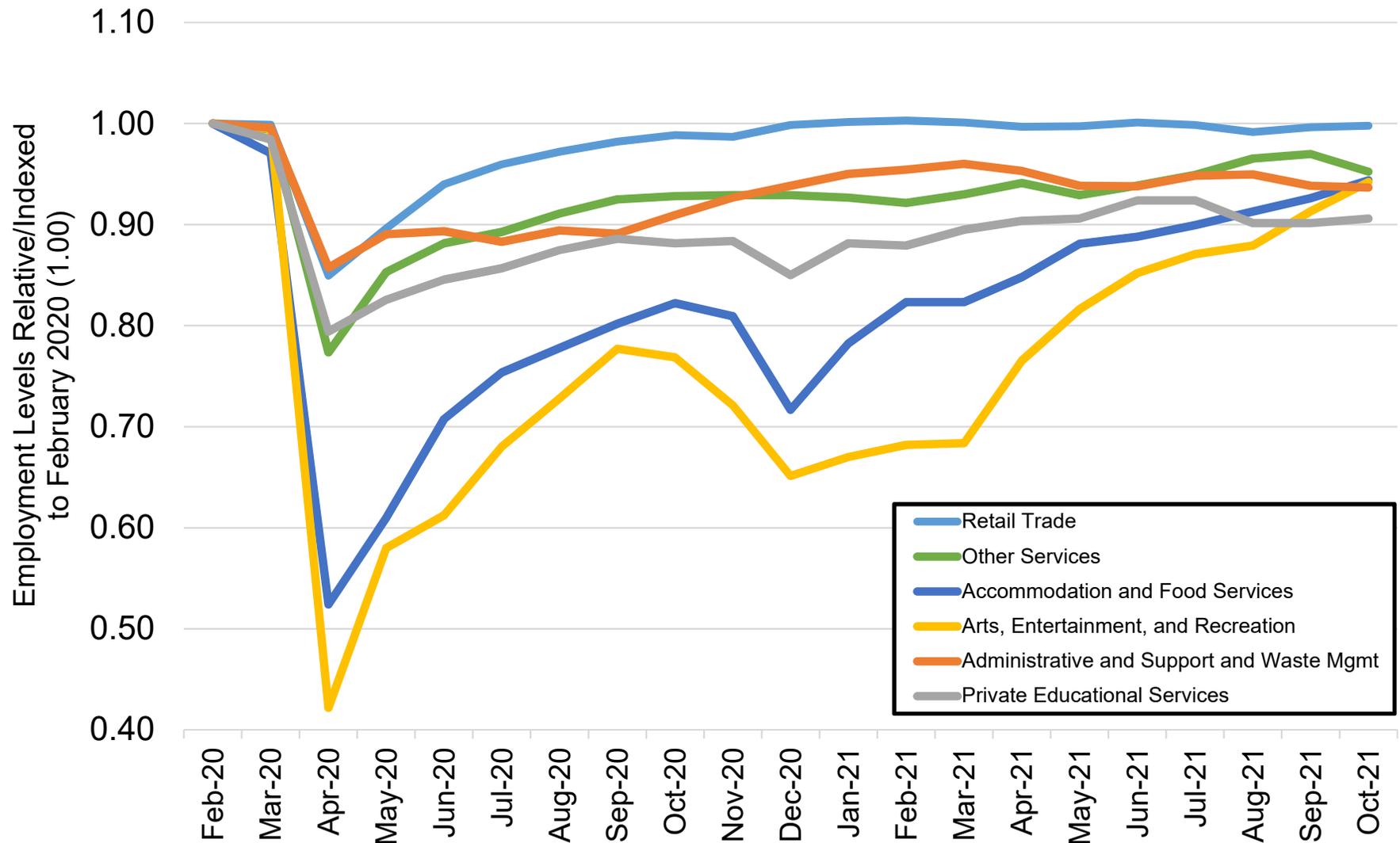


Source: Colorado Department of Labor and Employment; Bureau of Labor Statistics

Data seasonally adjusted. Note: low, medium, and high wage industries are determined by the 2019 state-level average weekly wage estimates from the Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages. **Low wage industries include:** retail trade; admin support/waste mgmt; private education services; arts, entertainment, and recreation; accommodation and food services; and other services. **Medium wage industries include:** construction; manufacturing; transportation, warehousing, and utilities; real estate, rental, and leasing; private health care and social assistance; state government; and local government.

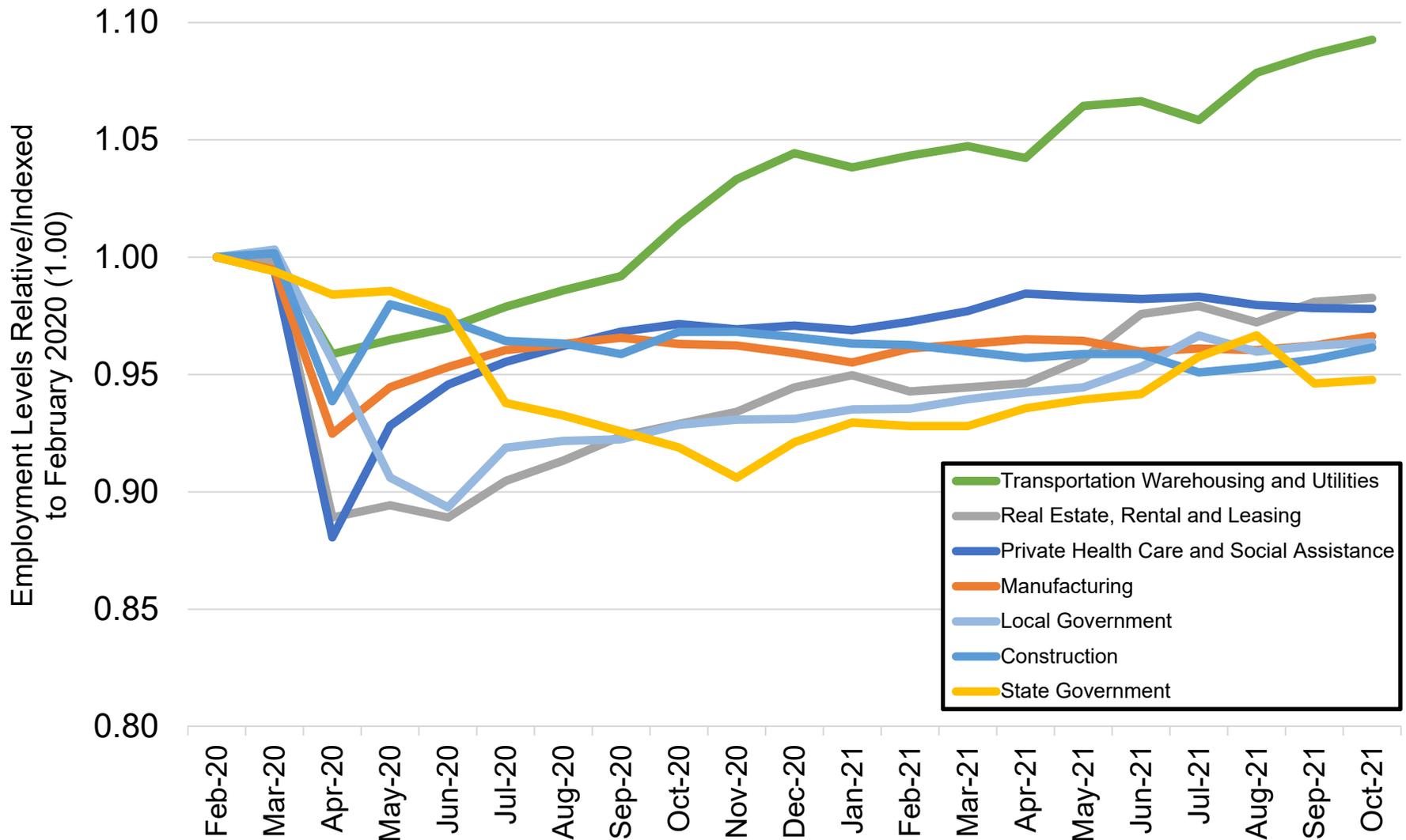
High wage industries include: mining and logging; wholesale trade; finance and insurance; professional and technical services; management of companies; and federal government.

Colorado Job Loss & Recovery by Low Wage Industries



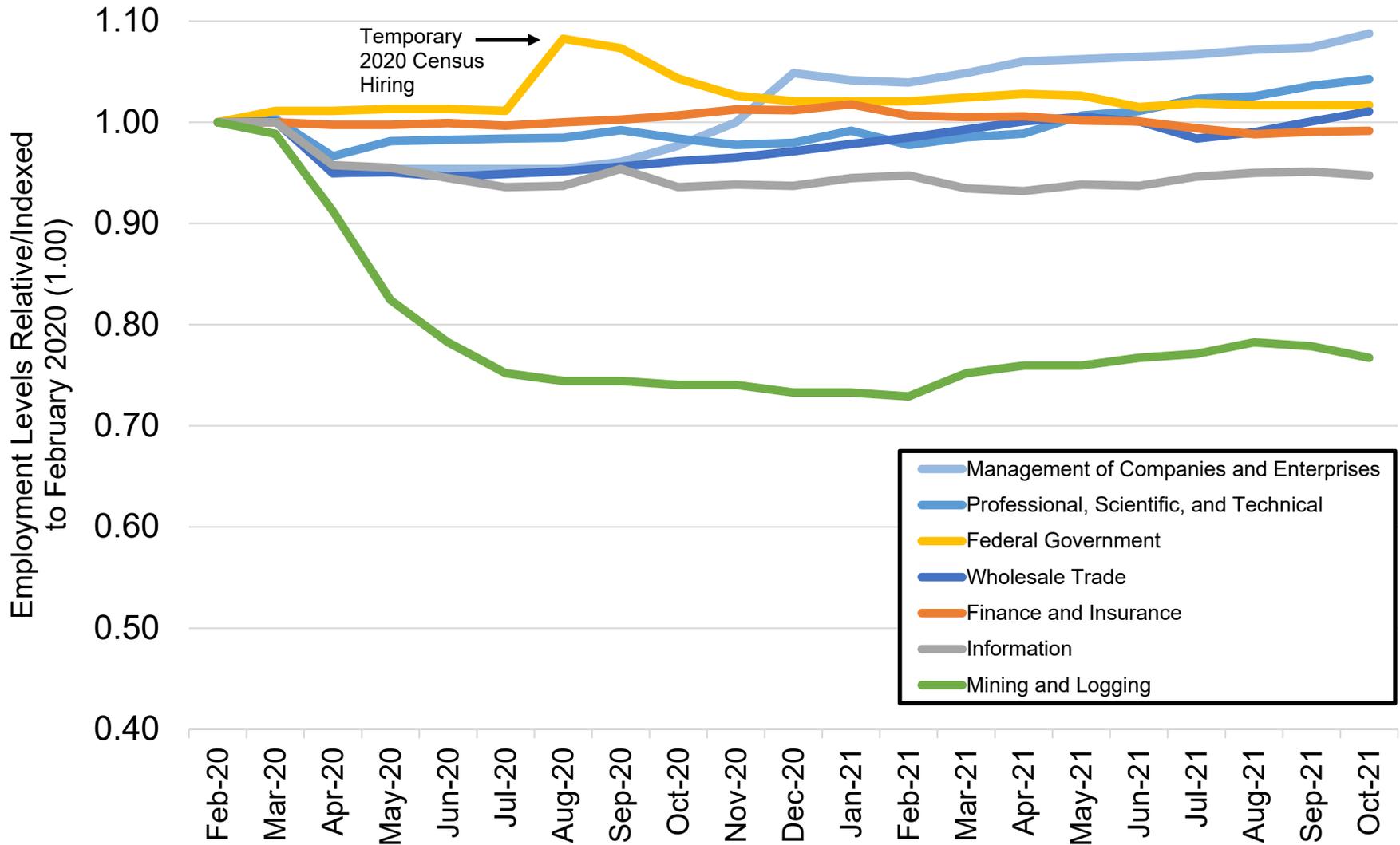
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Colorado Job Loss & Recovery by Medium Wage Industries



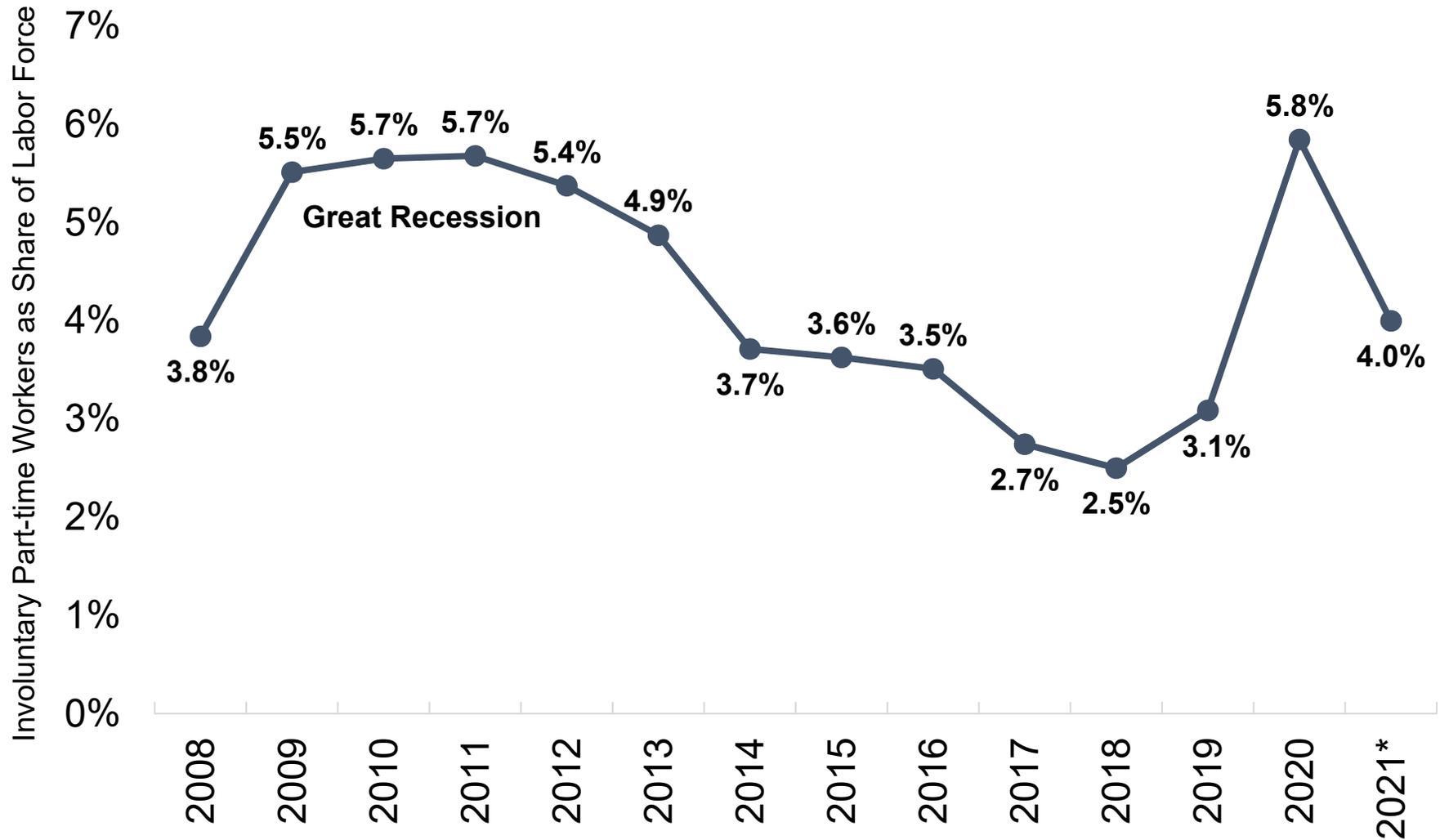
Source: Colorado Department of Labor and Employment; Bureau of Labor Statistics
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Colorado Job Loss & Recovery by High Wage Industries



Source: Colorado Department of Labor and Employment; Bureau of Labor Statistics
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Involuntary Part-Time Workers as Share of Labor Force



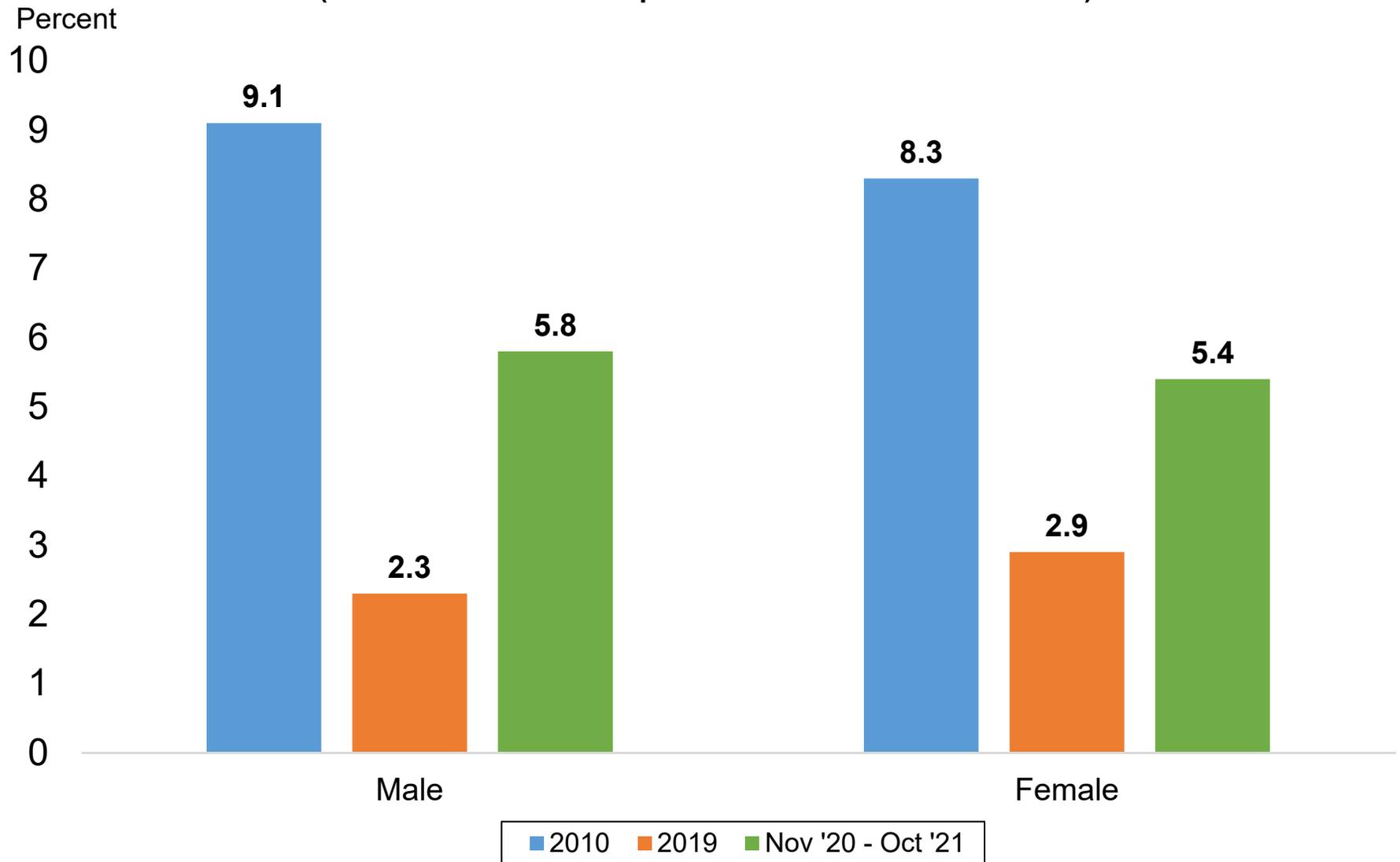
Source: Current Population Survey

Data not seasonally adjusted. Involuntary part-time workers are those individuals who are working part-time hours (34 hours or less), but prefer full-time hours (35+ hours).

*Average through the first ten months of 2021.

Unemployment Rates by Gender

(Most recent 12-month period available vs. 2010 & 2019)

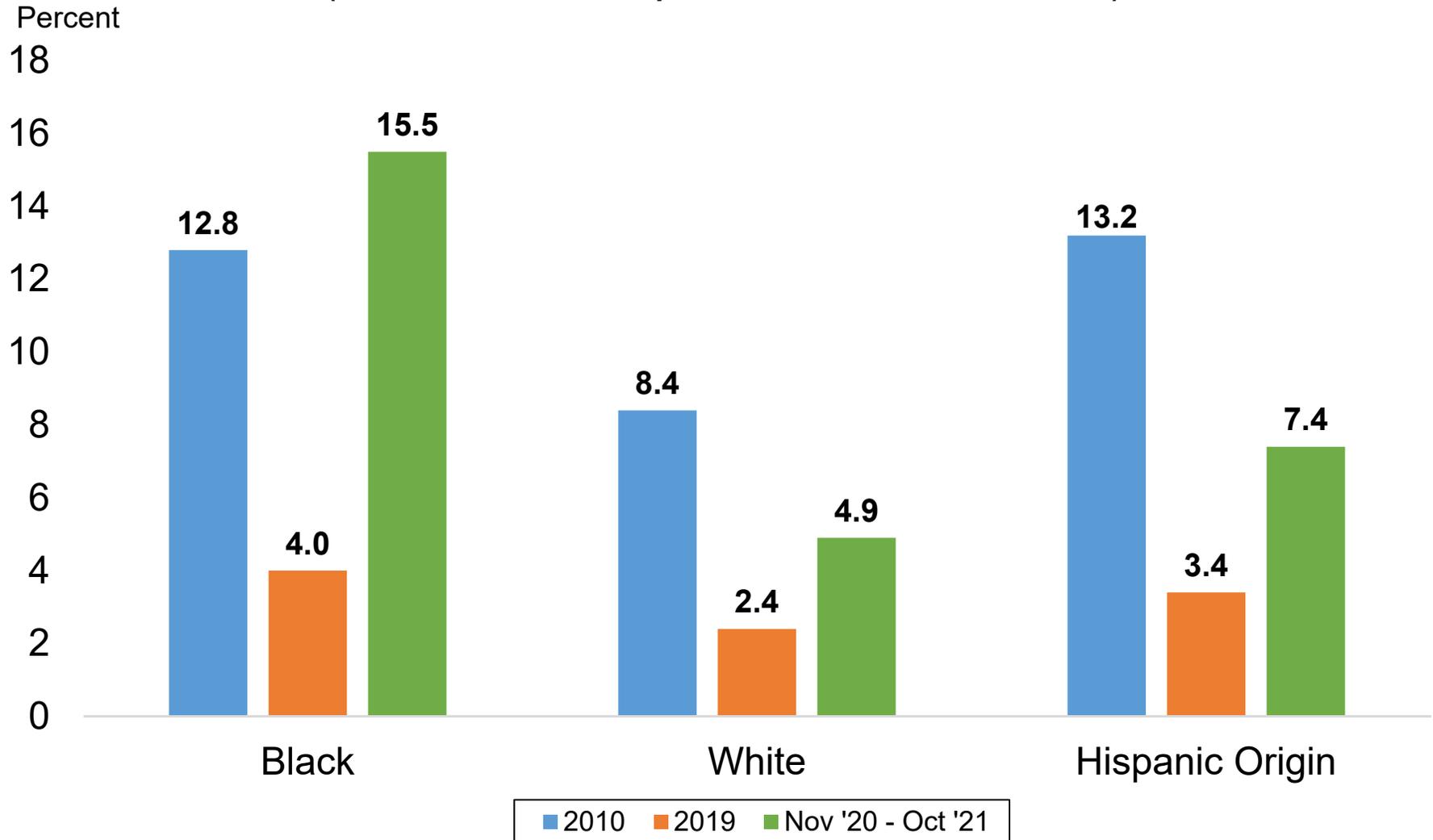


Source: Current Population Survey

Data not seasonally adjusted. Unemployment rates by gender for individuals 16 years and older.

Unemployment Rates by Race & Ethnicity

(Most recent 12-month period available vs. 2010 & 2019)

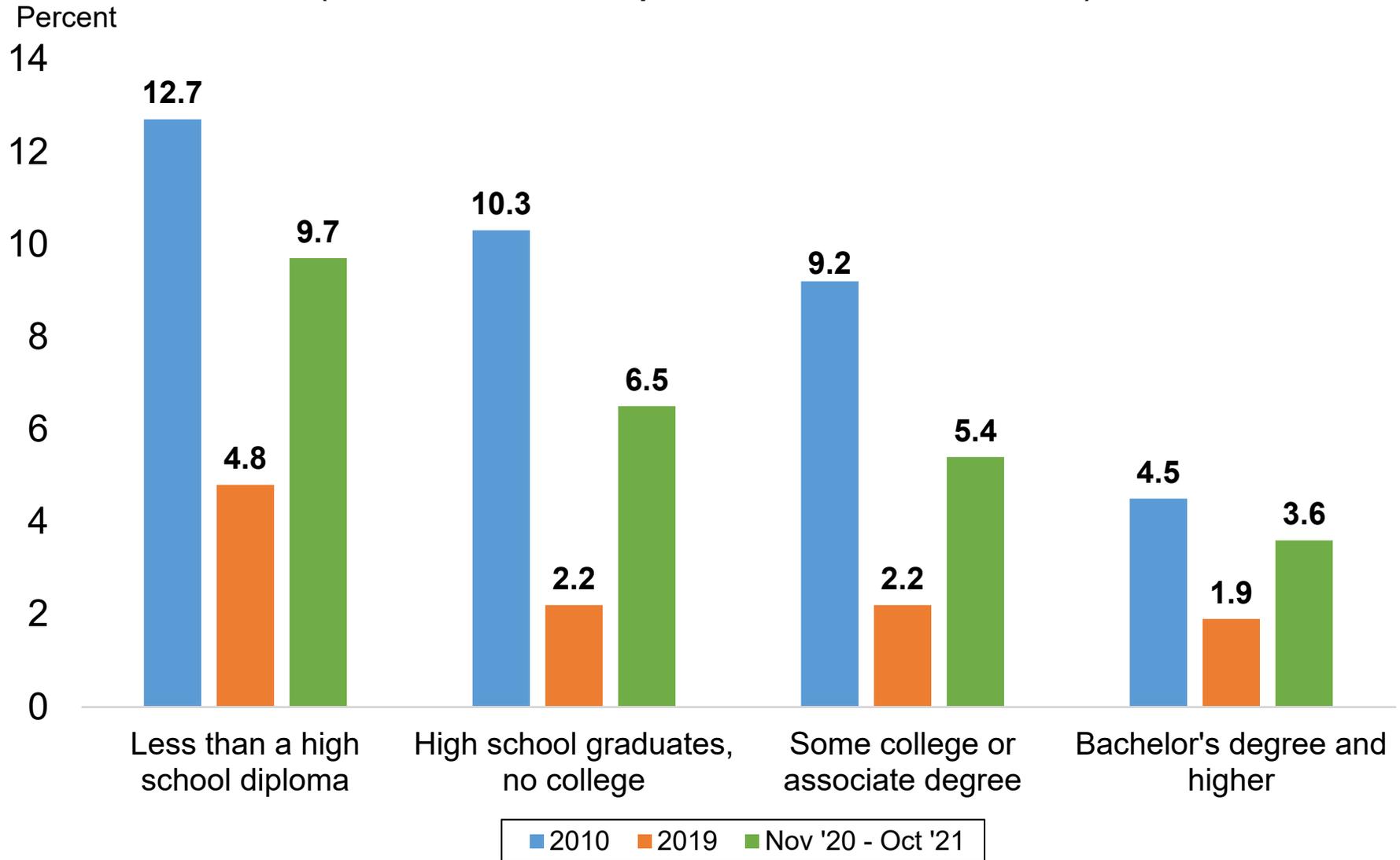


Source: Current Population Survey

Data not seasonally adjusted. Other race categories excluded due to small sample size. Hispanic origin category is not mutually exclusive (i.e. hispanic and non-hispanic ethnicities are represented in both race categories).

Unemployment Rates by Educational Attainment

(Most recent 12-month period available vs. 2010 & 2019)



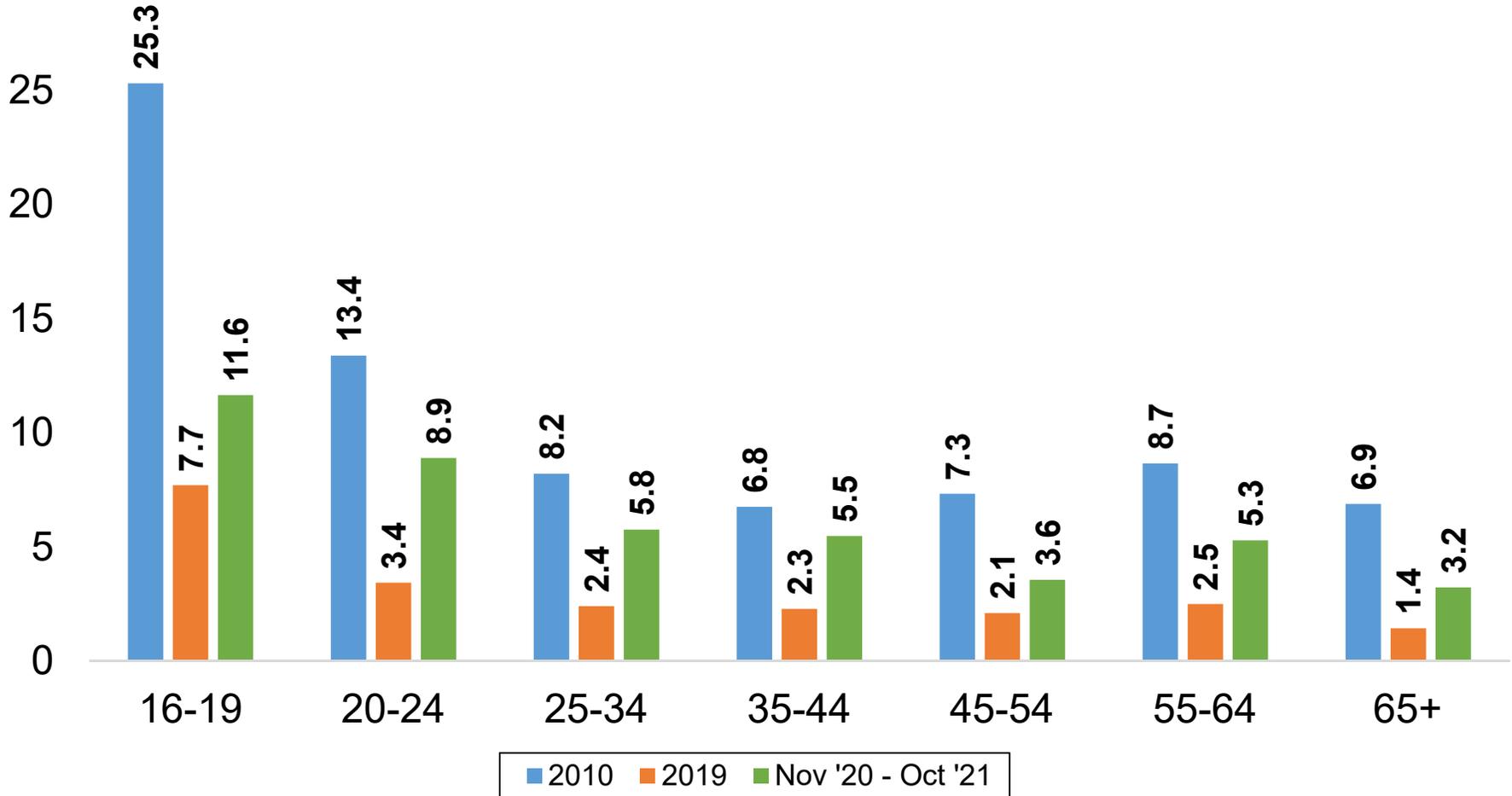
Source: Current Population Survey

Data not seasonally adjusted. Unemployment rates by educational attainment for individuals 25 years and over.

Unemployment Rates by Age Group

(Most recent 12-month period available vs. 2010 & 2019)

Percent



Source: Current Population Survey
Data not seasonally adjusted.

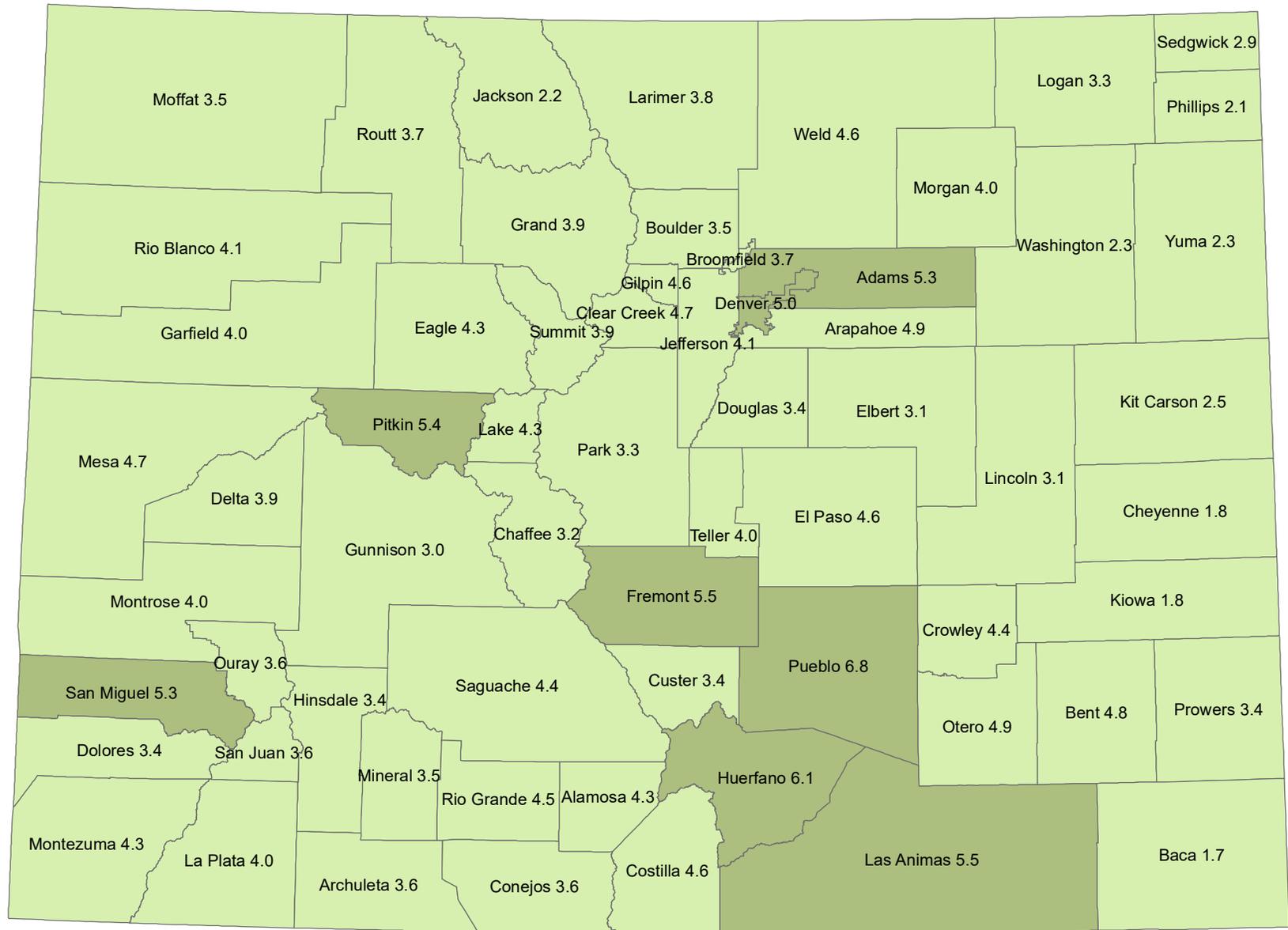
LABOR FORCE SUMMARY
COLORADO
Preliminary Estimates for October 2021

LABOR FORCE DATA (VALUES IN THOUSANDS)					
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED:				Change from last:	
	Oct-21	Sep-21	Oct-20	Month	Year
Total Civilian Labor Force	3,196.8	3,193.4	3,153.5	3.4	43.3
Unemployment	171.3	179.9	217.9	-8.6	-46.6
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.4	5.6	6.9	-0.2	-1.5
Employment	3,025.5	3,013.6	2,935.6	11.9	89.9
UNADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY:				Change from last:	
	Oct-21	Sep-21	Oct-20	Month	Year
Total Civilian Labor Force	3,224.4	3,213.1	3,161.6	11.3	62.8
Unemployment	143.7	150.4	207.5	-6.7	-63.8
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.5	4.7	6.6	-0.2	-2.1
Employment	3,080.7	3,062.6	2,954.1	18.0	126.5

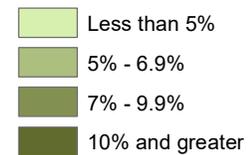
WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT DATA (VALUES IN THOUSANDS)					
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED:				Change from last:	
	Oct-21	Sep-21	Oct-20	Month	Year
Mining & Logging	20.1	20.4	19.4	-0.3	0.7
Construction	172.4	171.5	173.6	0.9	-1.2
Manufacturing	146.5	145.9	146.0	0.6	0.5
Trade, Transportation, & Utilities	492.4	490.3	476.6	2.1	15.8
Information	73.9	74.2	73.0	-0.3	0.9
Financial Activities	174.1	173.9	172.8	0.2	1.3
Professional & Business Services	451.3	449.4	427.9	1.9	23.4
Educational & Health Services	342.9	342.8	339.8	0.1	3.1
Leisure & Hospitality	327.3	320.5	282.1	6.8	45.2
Other Services	110.2	112.2	107.4	-2.0	2.8
Government	445.2	444.6	433.1	0.6	12.1
TOTAL NONAG	2,756.3	2,745.7	2,651.7	10.6	104.6
Labor Disputants	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
UNADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY:				Change from last:	
	Oct-21	Sep-21	Oct-20	Month	Year
Mining & Logging	20.5	20.8	19.8	-0.3	0.7
Construction	175.9	174.7	177.2	1.2	-1.3
Manufacturing	147.2	146.7	146.5	0.5	0.7
Trade, Transportation, & Utilities	491.6	486.7	473.9	4.9	17.7
Information	74.3	73.9	72.7	0.4	1.6
Financial Activities	175.1	174.0	173.5	1.1	1.6
Professional & Business Services	455.1	452.4	431.2	2.7	23.9
Educational & Health Services	345.3	341.6	341.4	3.7	3.9
Leisure & Hospitality	317.1	318.4	270.6	-1.3	46.5
Other Services	110.4	111.8	107.0	-1.4	3.4
Government	452.9	446.8	441.3	6.1	11.6
TOTAL NONAG	2,765.4	2,747.8	2,655.1	17.6	110.3
Labor Disputants	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Source: Colorado Department of Labor & Employment; Bureau of Labor Statistics

NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED Unemployment Rates October 2021



Source: Colorado Department of Labor and Employment
Labor Market Information



Not Seasonally Adjusted Labor Force

	October 2021				September 2021			
	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Rate	Labor force	Employment	Unemployment	Rate
Colorado	3,224,401	3,080,668	143,733	4.5	3,213,068	3,062,646	150,422	4.7
Metropolitan Statistical Area								
Boulder	198,953	191,947	7,006	3.5	199,077	191,782	7,295	3.7
Colorado Springs	373,058	355,823	17,235	4.6	373,188	355,028	18,160	4.9
Denver-Aurora-Lakewood	1,725,754	1,646,543	79,211	4.6	1,726,275	1,642,908	83,367	4.8
Fort Collins	208,979	201,113	7,866	3.8	207,269	199,085	8,184	3.9
Grand Junction	76,926	73,314	3,612	4.7	76,917	73,157	3,760	4.9
Greeley	172,780	164,917	7,863	4.6	169,935	161,574	8,361	4.9
Pueblo	79,193	73,819	5,374	6.8	78,421	72,812	5,609	7.2
Counties								
Adams	284,422	269,421	15,001	5.3	283,632	267,890	15,742	5.6
Alamosa	8,975	8,587	388	4.3	8,587	8,168	419	4.9
Arapahoe	378,626	360,106	18,520	4.9	379,525	359,751	19,774	5.2
Archuleta	8,006	7,715	291	3.6	7,851	7,555	296	3.8
Baca	2,604	2,561	43	1.7	2,296	2,254	42	1.8
Bent	2,211	2,105	106	4.8	1,963	1,852	111	5.7
Boulder	198,953	191,947	7,006	3.5	199,077	191,782	7,295	3.7
Broomfield	41,514	39,986	1,528	3.7	41,430	39,836	1,594	3.8
Chaffee	10,493	10,158	335	3.2	10,643	10,307	336	3.2
Cheyenne	1,266	1,243	23	1.8	1,119	1,096	23	2.1
Clear Creek	6,306	6,009	297	4.7	6,316	6,000	316	5.0
Conejos	4,431	4,271	160	3.6	4,133	3,962	171	4.1
Costilla	1,897	1,809	88	4.6	1,831	1,735	96	5.2
Crowley	1,655	1,582	73	4.4	1,598	1,521	77	4.8
Custer	2,240	2,163	77	3.4	2,282	2,201	81	3.5
Delta	15,478	14,870	608	3.9	14,910	14,306	604	4.1
Denver	436,274	414,438	21,836	5.0	436,769	413,870	22,899	5.2
Dolores	1,250	1,208	42	3.4	1,186	1,144	42	3.5
Douglas	202,288	195,443	6,845	3.4	202,079	195,005	7,074	3.5
Eagle	32,591	31,185	1,406	4.3	33,180	31,812	1,368	4.1
El Paso	359,604	342,903	16,701	4.6	359,628	342,027	17,601	4.9
Elbert	15,937	15,448	489	3.1	15,626	15,127	499	3.2
Fremont	16,783	15,855	928	5.5	16,915	15,939	976	5.8
Garfield	31,334	30,066	1,268	4.0	31,695	30,404	1,291	4.1
Gilpin	3,987	3,803	184	4.6	4,005	3,806	199	5.0
Grand	8,347	8,020	327	3.9	8,726	8,398	328	3.8
Gunnison	11,421	11,075	346	3.0	11,718	11,382	336	2.9
Hinsdale	408	394	14	3.4	475	463	12	2.5
Huerfano	2,955	2,774	181	6.1	2,848	2,663	185	6.5
Jackson	1,065	1,042	23	2.2	989	966	23	2.3
Jefferson	344,758	330,630	14,128	4.1	345,223	330,347	14,876	4.3
Kiowa	1,151	1,130	21	1.8	1,027	1,008	19	1.9
Kit Carson	4,815	4,695	120	2.5	4,337	4,213	124	2.9
La Plata	32,393	31,089	1,304	4.0	32,201	30,903	1,298	4.0
Lake	4,527	4,332	195	4.3	4,557	4,361	196	4.3
Larimer	208,979	201,113	7,866	3.8	207,269	199,085	8,184	3.9
Las Animas	7,022	6,634	388	5.5	6,864	6,461	403	5.9
Lincoln	2,672	2,589	83	3.1	2,453	2,372	81	3.3
Logan	12,015	11,613	402	3.3	11,394	10,981	413	3.6
Mesa	76,926	73,314	3,612	4.7	76,917	73,157	3,760	4.9
Mineral	405	391	14	3.5	428	412	16	3.7
Moffat	7,792	7,520	272	3.5	7,651	7,369	282	3.7
Montezuma	13,484	12,905	579	4.3	13,286	12,698	588	4.4
Montrose	22,729	21,828	901	4.0	22,201	21,266	935	4.2
Morgan	17,431	16,740	691	4.0	16,317	15,586	731	4.5
Otero	9,013	8,571	442	4.9	8,590	8,126	464	5.4
Ouray	2,737	2,638	99	3.6	2,774	2,671	103	3.7
Park	11,642	11,259	383	3.3	11,670	11,276	394	3.4
Phillips	2,742	2,684	58	2.1	2,379	2,319	60	2.5
Pitkin	10,812	10,223	589	5.4	10,916	10,449	467	4.3
Prowers	6,790	6,560	230	3.4	6,274	6,032	242	3.9
Pueblo	79,193	73,819	5,374	6.8	78,421	72,812	5,609	7.2
Rio Blanco	3,244	3,110	134	4.1	3,094	2,961	133	4.3
Rio Grande	6,183	5,903	280	4.5	5,657	5,363	294	5.2
Routt	15,803	15,213	590	3.7	15,814	15,235	579	3.7
Saguache	3,684	3,522	162	4.4	3,365	3,191	174	5.2
San Juan	497	479	18	3.6	575	562	13	2.3
San Miguel	4,368	4,137	231	5.3	4,757	4,551	206	4.3
Sedgwick	1,291	1,254	37	2.9	1,196	1,159	37	3.1
Summit	20,008	19,227	781	3.9	20,281	19,491	790	3.9
Teller	13,454	12,920	534	4.0	13,560	13,001	559	4.1
Washington	3,405	3,327	78	2.3	3,072	2,996	76	2.5
Weld	172,780	164,917	7,863	4.6	169,935	161,574	8,361	4.9
Yuma	6,340	6,196	144	2.3	5,583	5,436	147	2.6

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Not Seasonally Adjusted Labor Force

	October 2021				October 2020			
	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Rate	Labor force	Employment	Unemployment	Rate
Colorado	3,224,401	3,080,668	143,733	4.5	3,161,607	2,954,121	207,486	6.6
Metropolitan Statistical Area								
Boulder	198,953	191,947	7,006	3.5	193,588	182,881	10,707	5.5
Colorado Springs	373,058	355,823	17,235	4.6	361,436	338,443	22,993	6.4
Denver-Aurora-Lakewood	1,725,754	1,646,543	79,211	4.6	1,682,496	1,564,659	117,837	7.0
Fort Collins	208,979	201,113	7,866	3.8	208,632	197,365	11,267	5.4
Grand Junction	76,926	73,314	3,612	4.7	77,068	72,245	4,823	6.3
Greeley	172,780	164,917	7,863	4.6	170,319	158,847	11,472	6.7
Pueblo	79,193	73,819	5,374	6.8	79,040	72,553	6,487	8.2
Counties								
Adams	284,422	269,421	15,001	5.3	277,269	256,457	20,812	7.5
Alamosa	8,975	8,587	388	4.3	8,936	8,441	495	5.5
Arapahoe	378,626	360,106	18,520	4.9	369,836	342,010	27,826	7.5
Archuleta	8,006	7,715	291	3.6	7,600	7,179	421	5.5
Baca	2,604	2,561	43	1.7	2,473	2,431	42	1.7
Bent	2,211	2,105	106	4.8	2,079	2,000	79	3.8
Boulder	198,953	191,947	7,006	3.5	193,588	182,881	10,707	5.5
Broomfield	41,514	39,986	1,528	3.7	40,430	38,039	2,391	5.9
Chaffee	10,493	10,158	335	3.2	10,004	9,508	496	5.0
Cheyenne	1,266	1,243	23	1.8	1,266	1,237	29	2.3
Clear Creek	6,306	6,009	297	4.7	6,134	5,706	428	7.0
Conejos	4,431	4,271	160	3.6	4,423	4,232	191	4.3
Costilla	1,897	1,809	88	4.6	1,953	1,824	129	6.6
Crowley	1,655	1,582	73	4.4	1,624	1,536	88	5.4
Custer	2,240	2,163	77	3.4	2,141	2,050	91	4.3
Delta	15,478	14,870	608	3.9	15,312	14,490	822	5.4
Denver	436,274	414,438	21,836	5.0	427,352	393,691	33,661	7.9
Dolores	1,250	1,208	42	3.4	1,252	1,191	61	4.9
Douglas	202,288	195,443	6,845	3.4	195,629	185,746	9,883	5.1
Eagle	32,591	31,185	1,406	4.3	34,426	31,897	2,529	7.3
El Paso	359,604	342,903	16,701	4.6	348,424	326,211	22,213	6.4
Elbert	15,937	15,448	489	3.1	15,370	14,785	585	3.8
Fremont	16,783	15,855	928	5.5	15,824	14,715	1,109	7.0
Garfield	31,334	30,066	1,268	4.0	31,494	29,725	1,769	5.6
Gilpin	3,987	3,803	184	4.6	3,897	3,607	290	7.4
Grand	8,347	8,020	327	3.9	8,765	8,210	555	6.3
Gunnison	11,421	11,075	346	3.0	11,348	10,839	509	4.5
Hinsdale	408	394	14	3.4	400	386	14	3.5
Huerfano	2,955	2,774	181	6.1	2,813	2,592	221	7.9
Jackson	1,065	1,042	23	2.2	1,084	1,053	31	2.9
Jefferson	344,758	330,630	14,128	4.1	335,360	313,956	21,404	6.4
Kiowa	1,151	1,130	21	1.8	1,110	1,089	21	1.9
Kit Carson	4,815	4,695	120	2.5	4,732	4,624	108	2.3
La Plata	32,393	31,089	1,304	4.0	32,433	30,599	1,834	5.7
Lake	4,527	4,332	195	4.3	4,707	4,385	322	6.8
Larimer	208,979	201,113	7,866	3.8	208,632	197,365	11,267	5.4
Las Animas	7,022	6,634	388	5.5	6,884	6,415	469	6.8
Lincoln	2,672	2,589	83	3.1	2,615	2,508	107	4.1
Logan	12,015	11,613	402	3.3	11,793	11,293	500	4.2
Mesa	76,926	73,314	3,612	4.7	77,068	72,245	4,823	6.3
Mineral	405	391	14	3.5	416	396	20	4.8
Moffat	7,792	7,520	272	3.5	7,537	7,200	337	4.5
Montezuma	13,484	12,905	579	4.3	13,310	12,565	745	5.6
Montrose	22,729	21,828	901	4.0	22,619	21,393	1,226	5.4
Morgan	17,431	16,740	691	4.0	17,471	16,604	867	5.0
Otero	9,013	8,571	442	4.9	8,864	8,353	511	5.8
Ouray	2,737	2,638	99	3.6	2,626	2,482	144	5.5
Park	11,642	11,259	383	3.3	11,219	10,662	557	5.0
Phillips	2,742	2,684	58	2.1	2,826	2,773	53	1.9
Pitkin	10,812	10,223	589	5.4	10,898	10,048	850	7.8
Prowers	6,790	6,560	230	3.4	6,815	6,531	284	4.2
Pueblo	79,193	73,819	5,374	6.8	79,040	72,553	6,487	8.2
Rio Blanco	3,244	3,110	134	4.1	3,172	3,028	144	4.5
Rio Grande	6,183	5,903	280	4.5	6,066	5,752	314	5.2
Routt	15,803	15,213	590	3.7	15,897	14,978	919	5.8
Saguache	3,684	3,522	162	4.4	3,796	3,582	214	5.6
San Juan	497	479	18	3.6	523	503	20	3.8
San Miguel	4,368	4,137	231	5.3	4,889	4,495	394	8.1
Sedgwick	1,291	1,254	37	2.9	1,298	1,256	42	3.2
Summit	20,008	19,227	781	3.9	20,810	19,267	1,543	7.4
Teller	13,454	12,920	534	4.0	13,012	12,232	780	6.0
Washington	3,405	3,327	78	2.3	3,284	3,203	81	2.5
Weld	172,780	164,917	7,863	4.6	170,319	158,847	11,472	6.7
Yuma	6,340	6,196	144	2.3	6,423	6,272	151	2.4

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Employment					
	Oct-21	Sep-21	Oct-20	Change from previous:	
				Period	Year
Nonfarm Wage and Salary Employment (SA)	2,756,300	2,745,700	2,651,700	10,600	104,600
Total Resident Employment (SA)	3,025,500	3,013,600	2,935,600	11,900	89,900
	Q1 2021	Q4 2020	Q1 2020		
UI Covered Total Employment	2,615,044	2,625,077	2,732,544	(10,033)	(117,500)
UI Covered Private Employment	2,200,827	2,203,562	2,301,497	(2,735)	(100,670)

Unemployment					
	Oct-21	Sep-21	Oct-20	Change from previous:	
				Period	Year
Unemployment (SA)	171,300	179,900	217,900	(8,600)	(46,600)
Percent Unemployed (SA)	5.4%	5.6%	6.9%	(0.2)	(1.5)
	Oct-21	Sep-21	Oct-20		
Initial Claims	16,667	14,878	27,296	1,789	(10,629)
Continued Weeks Claimed	134,068	173,107	446,187	(39,039)	(312,119)

Wages and Earnings					
	Q1 2021	Q4 2020	Q1 2020	Change from previous:	
				Period	Year
Total Average Weekly Wage	\$1,337	\$1,376	\$1,283	(\$39)	\$54
Private Average Weekly Wage	\$1,365	\$1,398	\$1,309	(\$33)	\$56
	Oct-21	Sep-21	Oct-20		
Average Weekly Earnings (Construction)	\$1,188.83	\$1,217.74	\$1,223.04	(\$28.91)	(\$34.21)
Average Weekly Earnings (Manufacturing)	\$1,062.46	\$1,068.08	\$1,056.81	(\$5.62)	\$5.65

CO Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund					
	Sep-21	Aug-21	Sep-20	Change from previous:	
				Period	Year
Employer Contributions	\$5,191,822	\$85,464,300	\$15,296,632	(\$80,272,478)	(\$10,104,810)
Benefits Paid	\$54,325,771	\$80,939,668	\$237,434,819	(\$26,613,897)	(\$183,109,048)
Average Weekly Benefit Amount	\$395.32	\$371.73	\$369.70	\$23.59	\$25.62
Duration (weeks)	18.53	32.46	42.03	(13.93)	(23.50)
Outstanding Title XII Loan Balance	\$1,014,167,919	\$1,014,167,919	\$349,807,512	\$0	664,360,407

Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers					
	Sep-21	Jul-21	Sep-20	% Change from previous:	
				Period	Year
Not seasonally adjusted					
Denver-Aurora-Lakewood	286.186	285.268	273.860	0.3%	4.5%
US City Average	274.310	273.003	260.280	0.5%	5.4%

(Most current data available for all categories)