

**LABOR FORCE SUMMARY  
COLORADO**

Preliminary Estimates for December 2004 (in thousands)

<b>LABOR FORCE DATA</b>					
<b>SEASONALLY ADJUSTED*</b>				<b>Change from last:</b>	
	<b>Dec 2004</b>	<b>Nov 2004</b>	<b>Dec 2003</b>	<b>Month</b>	<b>Year</b>
<b>Total Civilian Labor Force</b>	2,541.7	2,534.5	2,487.0	7.2	54.7
<b>Unemployment</b>	130.1	126.4	146.8	3.7	-16.7
<b>Unemployment Rate (%)</b>	5.1	5.0	5.9	0.1	-0.8
<b>Employment</b>	2,411.6	2,408.1	2,340.2	3.5	71.4
*To facilitate the evaluation of labor market developments, recurrent yearly movements in labor force data associated with the Current Population Survey have been isolated and removed by the X-12-ARIMA Seasonal Adjustment Method.					
<b>UNADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY:</b>				<b>Change from last:</b>	
	<b>Dec 2004</b>	<b>Nov 2004</b>	<b>Dec 2003</b>	<b>Month</b>	<b>Year</b>
<b>Total Civilian Labor Force</b>	2,535.9	2,541.7	2,479.5	-5.8	56.4
<b>Unemployment 1/</b>	127.6	126.3	141.1	1.3	-13.5
<b>Unemployment Rate (%)</b>	5.0	5.0	5.7	0.0	-0.7
<b>Employment 2/</b>	2,408.3	2,415.4	2,338.4	-7.1	69.9
<b>Nonagricultural</b>	2,394.9	2,399.9	2,322.8	-5.0	72.1
<b>Agricultural</b>	13.4	15.5	15.6	-2.1	-2.2

<b>Wage and Salary Employment Data</b>					
<b>UNADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY:</b>				<b>Change from last:</b>	
	<b>Dec 2004</b>	<b>Nov 2004</b>	<b>Dec 2003</b>	<b>Month</b>	<b>Year</b>
<b>Natural Resources &amp; Mining</b>	15.2	15.1	13.0	0.1	2.2
<b>Construction</b>	149.6	152.4	145.5	-2.8	4.1
<b>Manufacturing</b>	155.0	155.1	155.1	-0.1	-0.1
<b>Trade, Transp., &amp; Utilites</b>	421.3	416.1	411.8	5.2	9.5
<b>Information</b>	81.1	81.4	84.2	-0.3	-3.1
<b>Financial Activities</b>	157.2	155.3	155.4	1.9	1.8
<b>Prof. &amp; Business Services</b>	301.6	301.7	285.9	-0.1	15.7
<b>Educat. &amp; Health Services</b>	221.2	220.4	218.3	0.8	2.9
<b>Leisure &amp; Hospitality</b>	254.2	242.7	249.8	11.5	4.4
<b>Other Services</b>	87.2	86.7	85.4	0.5	1.8
<b>Government</b>	364.1	366.0	362.7	-1.9	1.4
<b>TOTAL NONAG</b>	2,207.7	2,192.9	2,167.1	14.8	40.6
<b>Labor Disputants</b>	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Labor force estimates are adjusted to Current Population Survey data. Estimates made in cooperation with the U.S. Dept. of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

1/ Residents unemployed during the week including the 12th of the month.

2/ Total resident employment includes nonagricultural wage and salary workers; self-employed, unpaid family and domestic workers; agricultural workers and persons involved in labor disputes.

3/ Due to rounding, sum of individual items may not equal total. Industry data represents jobs by place of work coded under the 2002 North American Industry Classification System

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