

**LABOR FORCE SUMMARY
COLORADO**

Preliminary Estimates for August 2005 (in thousands)

LABOR FORCE DATA					
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED*	Aug-05	Jul-05	Aug-04	Change from last:	
				Month	Year
Total Civilian Labor Force	2,532.5	2,535.6	2,529.6	-3.1	2.9
Unemployment	127.1	133.3	138.9	-6.2	-11.8
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.0	5.3	5.5	-0.3	-0.5
Employment	2,405.4	2,402.3	2,390.7	3.1	14.7
UNADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY:					
	Aug-05	Jul-05	Aug-04	Change from last:	
				Month	Year
Total Civilian Labor Force	2,556.8	2,564.6	2,547.2	-7.8	9.6
Unemployment 1/	122.1	132.6	131.7	-10.5	-9.6
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.8	5.2	5.2	-0.4	-0.4
Employment 2/	2,434.7	2,432.0	2,415.5	2.7	19.2

WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT DATA					
UNADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY:	Aug-05	Jul-05	Aug-04	Month	Year
Natural Resources & Mining	17.0	16.8	15.4	0.2	1.6
Construction	169.9	167.9	158.2	2.0	11.7
Manufacturing	153.5	153.4	156.3	0.1	-2.8
Trade, Transp., & Utilites	414.3	413.7	409.6	0.6	4.7
Information	76.3	76.5	81.0	-0.2	-4.7
Financial Activities	160.0	159.6	155.8	0.4	4.2
Prof. & Business Services	317.6	316.1	307.2	1.5	10.4
Educat. & Health Services	224.1	223.8	218.2	0.3	5.9
Leisure & Hospitality	268.7	267.7	264.6	1.0	4.1
Other Services	89.6	89.6	87.9	0.0	1.7
Government	349.6	349.3	341.1	0.3	8.5
TOTAL NONAG	2,240.6	2,234.4	2,195.3	6.2	45.3
Labor Disputants	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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COLORADO METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS

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DENVER-AURORA MSA (Adams, Arapahoe, Broomfield, Clear Creek, Douglas, Elbert, Gilpin, Jefferson, and Park)

LABOR FORCE DATA					
UNADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY:				Change from last:	
	Aug-05	Jul-05	Aug-04	Month	Year
Total Civilian Labor Force	1,307.4	1,311.0	1,308.9	-3.6	-1.5
Unemployment	64.6	69.7	71.0	-5.1	-6.4
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.9	5.3	5.4	-0.4	-0.5
Employment	1,242.8	1,241.3	1,237.9	1.5	4.9
WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT DATA					
TOTAL NONAG	1,197.0	1,194.8	1,177.2	2.2	19.8

BOULDER-LONGMONT MSA (Boulder county)

LABOR FORCE DATA					
UNADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY:				Change from last:	
	Aug-05	Jul-05	Aug-04	Month	Year
Total Civilian Labor Force	167.0	167.9	165.2	-0.9	1.8
Unemployment	7.2	7.8	7.7	-0.6	-0.5
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.3	4.6	4.7	-0.3	-0.4
Employment	159.8	160.1	157.5	-0.3	2.3
WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT DATA					
TOTAL NONAG	160.5	160.8	155.4	-0.3	5.1

COLORADO SPRINGS MSA (El Paso and Teller counties)

LABOR FORCE DATA					
UNADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY:				Change from last:	
	Aug-05	Jul-05	Aug-04	Month	Year
Total Civilian Labor Force	302.1	303.9	300.9	-1.8	1.2
Unemployment	15.3	16.7	16.3	-1.4	-1.0
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.1	5.5	5.4	-0.4	-0.3
Employment	286.8	287.2	284.6	-0.4	2.2
WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT DATA					
TOTAL NONAG	255.3	254.9	251.0	0.4	4.3

FT. COLLINS-LOVELAND MSA (Larimer county)

LABOR FORCE DATA					
UNADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY:				Change from last:	
	Aug-05	Jul-05	Aug-04	Month	Year
Total Civilian Labor Force	164.8	165.7	164.9	-0.9	-0.1
Unemployment	6.8	7.3	7.0	-0.5	-0.2
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.1	4.4	4.2	-0.3	-0.1
Employment	158.0	158.4	157.9	-0.4	0.1
WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT DATA					
TOTAL NONAG	131.6	131.9	129.8	-0.3	1.8

GRAND JUNCTION MSA (Mesa county)

LABOR FORCE DATA					
UNADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY:				Change from last:	
	Aug-05	Jul-05	Aug-04	Month	Year
Total Civilian Labor Force	69.1	69.7	69.4	-0.6	-0.3
Unemployment	3.1	3.4	3.3	-0.3	-0.2
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.5	4.9	4.7	-0.4	-0.2
Employment	66.0	66.3	66.1	-0.3	-0.1
WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT DATA					
TOTAL NONAG	55.5	55.5	55.1	0.0	0.4

GREELEY MSA (Weld county)

LABOR FORCE DATA					
UNADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY:				Change from last:	
	Aug-05	Jul-05	Aug-04	Month	Year
Total Civilian Labor Force	111.0	111.9	109.2	-0.9	1.8
Unemployment	5.2	5.7	5.5	-0.5	-0.3
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.7	5.1	5.0	-0.4	-0.3
Employment	105.8	106.2	103.7	-0.4	2.1
WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT DATA					
TOTAL NONAG	77.3	77.2	74.8	0.1	2.5

PUEBLO MSA (Pueblo county)

LABOR FORCE DATA					
UNADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY:				Change from last:	
	Aug-05	Jul-05	Aug-04	Month	Year
Total Civilian Labor Force	69.2	69.4	68.3	-0.2	0.9
Unemployment	4.5	4.9	4.7	-0.4	-0.2
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.5	7.0	6.9	-0.5	-0.4
Employment	64.7	64.5	63.6	0.2	1.1
WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT DATA					
TOTAL NONAG	55.9	55.7	54.2	0.2	1.7