

**LABOR FORCE SUMMARY
COLORADO**

Preliminary Estimates for August 2008 (in thousands)

LABOR FORCE DATA					
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED*				Change from last:	
	Aug-08	Jul-08	Aug-07	Month	Year
Total Civilian Labor Force	2,744.8	2,763.6	2,715.4	-18.8	29.4
Unemployment	147.3	144.6	104.4	2.7	42.9
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.4	5.2	3.8	--	--
Employment	2,597.5	2,619.0	2,611.0	-21.5	-13.5
UNADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY:					
				Change from last:	
	Aug-08	Jul-08	Aug-07	Month	Year
Total Civilian Labor Force	2,766.9	2,792.3	2,722.8	-25.4	44.1
Unemployment	142.8	144.6	100.9	-1.8	41.9
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.2	5.2	3.7	--	--
Employment	2,624.1	2,647.7	2,621.9	-23.6	2.2

WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT DATA					
UNADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY:	Aug-08	Jul-08	Aug-07	Month	Year
Natural Resources & Mining	29.3	29.0	26.2	0.3	3.1
Construction	170.6	172.1	176.7	-1.5	-6.1
Manufacturing	143.4	143.4	147.0	0.0	-3.6
Trade, Transportation, & Utilities	434.9	434.6	431.5	0.3	3.4
Information	76.5	76.1	76.7	0.4	-0.2
Financial Activities	159.0	159.2	160.1	-0.2	-1.1
Professional & Business Services	364.6	362.4	356.6	2.2	8.0
Educational & Health Services	249.5	248.2	240.3	1.3	9.2
Leisure & Hospitality	286.6	286.2	282.6	0.4	4.0
Other Services	95.2	95.5	93.7	-0.3	1.5
Government	367.7	366.3	359.2	1.4	8.5
TOTAL NONAG	2,377.3	2,373.0	2,350.6	4.3	26.7
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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LABOR FORCE SUMMARY
COLORADO METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS

Preliminary Estimates for August 2008 (in thousands)

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

LABOR FORCE DATA					
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED*				Change from last:	
	Aug-08	Jul-08	Aug-07	Month	Year
Total Civilian Labor Force	1,394.4	1,407.4	1,377.6	-13.0	16.8
Unemployment	77.3	75.3	53.7	2.0	23.6
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.5	5.4	3.9	--	--
Employment	1,317.1	1,332.1	1,323.9	-15.0	-6.8
UNADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY:					
	Aug-08	Jul-08	Aug-07	Change from last:	
				Month	Year
Total Civilian Labor Force	1,403.1	1,413.5	1,385.3	-10.4	17.8
Unemployment	75.5	75.5	52.7	0.0	22.8
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.4	5.3	3.8	--	--
Employment	1,327.6	1,338.0	1,332.6	-10.4	-5.0
WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT DATA					
TOTAL NONAG	1266.7	1263.2	1253.0	3.5	13.7

BOULDER-LONGMONT MSA (Boulder County)

LABOR FORCE DATA					
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED*				Change from last:	
	Aug-08	Jul-08	Aug-07	Month	Year
Total Civilian Labor Force	178.7	179.9	176.1	-1.2	2.6
Unemployment	8.3	8.0	5.9	0.3	2.4
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.6	4.5	3.4	--	--
Employment	170.4	171.9	170.2	-1.5	0.2
UNADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY:					
	Aug-08	Jul-08	Aug-07	Change from last:	
				Month	Year
Total Civilian Labor Force	176.8	178.4	174.3	-1.6	2.5
Unemployment	8.1	8.2	5.9	-0.1	2.2
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.6	4.6	3.4	--	--
Employment	168.7	170.2	168.4	-1.5	0.3
WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT DATA					
TOTAL NONAG	167.0	166.7	164.2	0.3	2.8

COLORADO SPRINGS MSA (El Paso and Teller counties)

LABOR FORCE DATA					
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED*				Change from last:	
	Aug-08	Jul-08	Aug-07	Month	Year
Total Civilian Labor Force	314.7	317.7	314.6	-3.0	0.1
Unemployment	19.5	19.4	13.6	0.1	5.9
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.2	6.1	4.3	--	--
Employment	295.2	298.3	301.0	-3.1	-5.8
UNADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY:					
	Aug-08	Jul-08	Aug-07	Change from last:	
				Month	Year
Total Civilian Labor Force	317.5	320.5	317.3	-3.0	0.2
Unemployment	19.2	19.7	13.5	-0.5	5.7
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.0	6.2	4.2	--	--
Employment	298.3	300.8	303.8	-2.5	-5.5
WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT DATA					
TOTAL NONAG	263.5	263.6	263.6	-0.1	-0.1

FT. COLLINS-LOVELAND MSA (Larimer County)

LABOR FORCE DATA					
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED*				Change from last:	
	Aug-08	Jul-08	Aug-07	Month	Year
Total Civilian Labor Force	177.5	179.0	175.6	-1.5	1.9
Unemployment	8.2	8.2	6.0	0.0	2.2
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.6	4.6	3.4	--	--
Employment	169.3	170.8	169.6	-1.5	-0.3
UNADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY:					
	Aug-08	Jul-08	Aug-07	Change from last:	
				Month	Year
Total Civilian Labor Force	178.4	179.2	176.8	-0.8	1.6
Unemployment	7.9	8.1	5.8	-0.2	2.1
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.4	4.5	3.3	--	--
Employment	170.5	171.1	171.0	-0.6	-0.5
WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT DATA					
TOTAL NONAG	139.6	138.4	139.0	1.2	0.6

GRAND JUNCTION MSA (Mesa County)

LABOR FORCE DATA					
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED*				Change from last:	
	Aug-08	Jul-08	Aug-07	Month	Year
Total Civilian Labor Force	82.8	83.1	79.4	-0.3	3.4
Unemployment	3.5	3.5	2.5	0.0	1.0
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.2	4.2	3.2	--	--
Employment	79.3	79.6	76.9	-0.3	2.4
UNADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY:					
				Change from last:	
	Aug-08	Jul-08	Aug-07	Month	Year
Total Civilian Labor Force	83.0	83.7	79.9	-0.7	3.1
Unemployment	3.4	3.6	2.5	-0.2	0.9
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.0	4.2	3.1	--	--
Employment	79.6	80.1	77.4	-0.5	2.2
WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT DATA					
TOTAL NONAG	66.2	65.9	63.4	0.3	2.8

GREELEY MSA (Weld County)

LABOR FORCE DATA					
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED*				Change from last:	
	Aug-08	Jul-08	Aug-07	Month	Year
Total Civilian Labor Force	123.7	124.1	119.4	-0.4	4.3
Unemployment	6.8	6.8	5.0	0.0	1.8
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.5	5.5	4.2	--	--
Employment	116.9	117.3	114.4	-0.4	2.5
UNADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY:					
				Change from last:	
	Aug-08	Jul-08	Aug-07	Month	Year
Total Civilian Labor Force	124.0	124.5	119.9	-0.5	4.1
Unemployment	6.5	6.8	4.8	-0.3	1.7
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.3	5.5	4.0	--	--
Employment	117.5	117.7	115.1	-0.2	2.4
WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT DATA					
TOTAL NONAG	84.3	83.3	82.0	1.0	2.3

PUEBLO MSA (Pueblo County)

LABOR FORCE DATA					
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED*				Change from last:	
	Aug-08	Jul-08	Aug-07	Month	Year
Total Civilian Labor Force	74.5	74.7	73.1	-0.2	1.4
Unemployment	5.1	5.0	3.5	0.1	1.6
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.8	6.7	4.7	--	--
Employment	69.4	69.7	69.6	-0.3	-0.2
UNADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY:					
				Change from last:	
	Aug-08	Jul-08	Aug-07	Month	Year
Total Civilian Labor Force	74.0	74.8	72.6	-0.8	1.4
Unemployment	4.9	5.0	3.4	-0.1	1.5
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.6	6.7	4.7	--	--
Employment	69.1	69.8	69.2	-0.7	-0.1
WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT DATA					
TOTAL NONAG	58.9	58.8	58.3	0.1	0.6

Seasonally Adjusted MSAs not an official BLS series