

**LABOR FORCE SUMMARY  
COLORADO**

Preliminary Estimates for September 2008 (in thousands)

<b>LABOR FORCE DATA</b>					
<b>SEASONALLY ADJUSTED*</b>				<b>Change from last:</b>	
	<b>Sep-08</b>	<b>Aug-08</b>	<b>Sep-07</b>	<b>Month</b>	<b>Year</b>
<b>Total Civilian Labor Force</b>	2,749.2	2,745.0	2,724.4	4.2	24.8
<b>Unemployment</b>	142.2	147.6	108.3	-5.4	33.9
<b>Unemployment Rate (%)</b>	5.2	5.4	4.0	--	--
<b>Employment</b>	2,607.0	2,597.4	2,616.1	9.6	-9.1
<b>UNADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY:</b>					
	<b>Sep-08</b>	<b>Aug-08</b>	<b>Sep-07</b>	<b>Change from last:</b>	
				<b>Month</b>	<b>Year</b>
<b>Total Civilian Labor Force</b>	2,762.1	2,767.0	2,740.0	-4.9	22.1
<b>Unemployment</b>	136.1	143.1	103.1	-7.0	33.0
<b>Unemployment Rate (%)</b>	4.9	5.2	3.8	--	--
<b>Employment</b>	2,626.0	2,623.9	2,636.9	2.1	-10.9

<b>WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT DATA</b>					
<b>UNADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY:</b>	<b>Sep-08</b>	<b>Aug-08</b>	<b>Sep-07</b>	<b>Month</b>	<b>Year</b>
<b>Natural Resources &amp; Mining</b>	29.1	29.2	25.7	-0.1	3.4
<b>Construction</b>	167.8	171.1	173.1	-3.3	-5.3
<b>Manufacturing</b>	142.9	143.7	147.1	-0.8	-4.2
<b>Trade, Transportation, &amp; Utilities</b>	433.2	436.0	430.4	-2.8	2.8
<b>Information</b>	76.6	76.8	76.2	-0.2	0.4
<b>Financial Activities</b>	157.9	158.8	158.8	-0.9	-0.9
<b>Professional &amp; Business Services</b>	359.6	362.2	355.3	-2.6	4.3
<b>Educational &amp; Health Services</b>	250.9	249.5	241.4	1.4	9.5
<b>Leisure &amp; Hospitality</b>	277.4	287.3	271.6	-9.9	5.8
<b>Other Services</b>	94.4	95.6	93.2	-1.2	1.2
<b>Government</b>	386.5	368.1	379.4	18.4	7.1
<b>TOTAL NONAG</b>	2,376.3	2,378.3	2,352.2	-2.0	24.1
<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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**LABOR FORCE SUMMARY**  
**COLORADO METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS**

Preliminary Estimates for September 2008 (in thousands)

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

<b>LABOR FORCE DATA</b>					
<b>SEASONALLY ADJUSTED*</b>				<b>Change from last:</b>	
	<b>Sep-08</b>	<b>Aug-08</b>	<b>Sep-07</b>	<b>Month</b>	<b>Year</b>
Total Civilian Labor Force	1,393.2	1,393.6	1,387.2	-0.4	6.0
Unemployment	75.1	77.5	56.0	-2.4	19.1
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.4	5.6	4.0	--	--
Employment	1,318.1	1,316.1	1,331.2	2.0	-13.1
<b>UNADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY:</b>					
				<b>Change from last:</b>	
	<b>Sep-08</b>	<b>Aug-08</b>	<b>Sep-07</b>	<b>Month</b>	<b>Year</b>
Total Civilian Labor Force	1,401.5	1,402.3	1,395.7	-0.8	5.8
Unemployment	72.7	75.7	54.4	-3.0	18.3
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.2	5.4	3.9	--	--
Employment	1,328.8	1,326.6	1,341.3	2.2	-12.5
<b>WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT DATA</b>					
<b>TOTAL NONAG</b>	1264.4	1266.1	1253.4	-1.7	11.0

**BOULDER-LONGMONT MSA** (Boulder County)

<b>LABOR FORCE DATA</b>					
<b>SEASONALLY ADJUSTED*</b>				<b>Change from last:</b>	
	<b>Sep-08</b>	<b>Aug-08</b>	<b>Sep-07</b>	<b>Month</b>	<b>Year</b>
Total Civilian Labor Force	177.7	178.5	176.9	-0.8	0.8
Unemployment	7.9	8.3	6.1	-0.4	1.8
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.4	4.6	3.5	--	--
Employment	169.8	170.2	170.8	-0.4	-1.0
<b>UNADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY:</b>					
				<b>Change from last:</b>	
	<b>Sep-08</b>	<b>Aug-08</b>	<b>Sep-07</b>	<b>Month</b>	<b>Year</b>
Total Civilian Labor Force	178.9	176.6	178.2	2.3	0.7
Unemployment	7.6	8.1	5.9	-0.5	1.7
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.2	4.6	3.3	--	--
Employment	171.3	168.5	172.3	2.8	-1.0
<b>WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT DATA</b>					
<b>TOTAL NONAG</b>	169.7	166.8	167.6	2.9	2.1

**COLORADO SPRINGS MSA (El Paso and Teller counties)**

<b>LABOR FORCE DATA</b>					
<b>SEASONALLY ADJUSTED*</b>				<b>Change from last:</b>	
	<b>Sep-08</b>	<b>Aug-08</b>	<b>Sep-07</b>	<b>Month</b>	<b>Year</b>
<b>Total Civilian Labor Force</b>	314.4	315.2	316.5	-0.8	-2.1
<b>Unemployment</b>	19.1	19.5	14.3	-0.4	4.8
<b>Unemployment Rate (%)</b>	6.1	6.2	4.5	--	--
<b>Employment</b>	295.3	295.7	302.2	-0.4	-6.9
<b>UNADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY:</b>					
				<b>Change from last:</b>	
	<b>Sep-08</b>	<b>Aug-08</b>	<b>Sep-07</b>	<b>Month</b>	<b>Year</b>
<b>Total Civilian Labor Force</b>	316.4	318.0	318.6	-1.6	-2.2
<b>Unemployment</b>	18.4	19.2	13.8	-0.8	4.6
<b>Unemployment Rate (%)</b>	5.8	6.0	4.3	--	--
<b>Employment</b>	298.0	298.8	304.8	-0.8	-6.8
<b>WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT DATA</b>					
<b>TOTAL NONAG</b>	263.9	264.3	263.6	-0.4	0.3

**FT. COLLINS-LOVELAND MSA (Larimer County)**

<b>LABOR FORCE DATA</b>					
<b>SEASONALLY ADJUSTED*</b>				<b>Change from last:</b>	
	<b>Sep-08</b>	<b>Aug-08</b>	<b>Sep-07</b>	<b>Month</b>	<b>Year</b>
<b>Total Civilian Labor Force</b>	177.7	177.4	177.0	0.3	0.7
<b>Unemployment</b>	7.8	8.2	6.2	-0.4	1.6
<b>Unemployment Rate (%)</b>	4.4	4.6	3.5	--	--
<b>Employment</b>	169.9	169.2	170.8	0.7	-0.9
<b>UNADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY:</b>					
				<b>Change from last:</b>	
	<b>Sep-08</b>	<b>Aug-08</b>	<b>Sep-07</b>	<b>Month</b>	<b>Year</b>
<b>Total Civilian Labor Force</b>	180.0	178.4	179.7	1.6	0.3
<b>Unemployment</b>	7.4	7.9	5.8	-0.5	1.6
<b>Unemployment Rate (%)</b>	4.1	4.4	3.2	--	--
<b>Employment</b>	172.6	170.5	173.9	2.1	-1.3
<b>WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT DATA</b>					
<b>TOTAL NONAG</b>	141.2	139.8	140.5	1.4	0.7

**GRAND JUNCTION MSA (Mesa County)**

<b>LABOR FORCE DATA</b>					
<b>SEASONALLY ADJUSTED*</b>				<b>Change from last:</b>	
	<b>Sep-08</b>	<b>Aug-08</b>	<b>Sep-07</b>	<b>Month</b>	<b>Year</b>
<b>Total Civilian Labor Force</b>	82.5	82.9	79.9	-0.4	2.6
<b>Unemployment</b>	3.5	3.5	2.6	0.0	0.9
<b>Unemployment Rate (%)</b>	4.2	4.2	3.3	--	--
<b>Employment</b>	79.0	79.4	77.3	-0.4	1.7
<b>UNADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY:</b>					
	<b>Sep-08</b>	<b>Aug-08</b>	<b>Sep-07</b>	<b>Change from last:</b>	
				<b>Month</b>	<b>Year</b>
<b>Total Civilian Labor Force</b>	83.1	83.1	80.6	0.0	2.5
<b>Unemployment</b>	3.2	3.4	2.5	-0.2	0.7
<b>Unemployment Rate (%)</b>	3.8	4.1	3.1	--	--
<b>Employment</b>	79.9	79.7	78.1	0.2	1.8
<b>WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT DATA</b>					
<b>TOTAL NONAG</b>	66.6	66.3	63.9	0.3	2.7

**GREELEY MSA (Weld County)**

<b>LABOR FORCE DATA</b>					
<b>SEASONALLY ADJUSTED*</b>				<b>Change from last:</b>	
	<b>Sep-08</b>	<b>Aug-08</b>	<b>Sep-07</b>	<b>Month</b>	<b>Year</b>
<b>Total Civilian Labor Force</b>	123.1	123.2	120.4	-0.1	2.7
<b>Unemployment</b>	6.7	6.8	5.1	-0.1	1.6
<b>Unemployment Rate (%)</b>	5.4	5.5	4.3	--	--
<b>Employment</b>	116.4	116.4	115.3	0.0	1.1
<b>UNADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY:</b>					
	<b>Sep-08</b>	<b>Aug-08</b>	<b>Sep-07</b>	<b>Change from last:</b>	
				<b>Month</b>	<b>Year</b>
<b>Total Civilian Labor Force</b>	124.2	123.5	121.7	0.7	2.5
<b>Unemployment</b>	6.3	6.6	4.8	-0.3	1.5
<b>Unemployment Rate (%)</b>	5.1	5.3	4.0	--	--
<b>Employment</b>	117.9	116.9	116.9	1.0	1.0
<b>WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT DATA</b>					
<b>TOTAL NONAG</b>	84.9	83.6	83.4	1.3	1.5

**PUEBLO MSA (Pueblo County)**

<b>LABOR FORCE DATA</b>					
<b>SEASONALLY ADJUSTED*</b>				<b>Change from last:</b>	
	<b>Sep-08</b>	<b>Aug-08</b>	<b>Sep-07</b>	<b>Month</b>	<b>Year</b>
<b>Total Civilian Labor Force</b>	74.0	74.5	73.4	-0.5	0.6
<b>Unemployment</b>	4.8	5.1	3.6	-0.3	1.2
<b>Unemployment Rate (%)</b>	6.5	6.8	4.9	--	--
<b>Employment</b>	69.2	69.4	69.8	-0.2	-0.6
<b>UNADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY:</b>					
	<b>Sep-08</b>	<b>Aug-08</b>	<b>Sep-07</b>	<b>Change from last:</b>	
				<b>Month</b>	<b>Year</b>
<b>Total Civilian Labor Force</b>	74.3	74.0	73.5	0.3	0.8
<b>Unemployment</b>	4.6	4.9	3.4	-0.3	1.2
<b>Unemployment Rate (%)</b>	6.2	6.6	4.6	--	--
<b>Employment</b>	69.7	69.1	70.1	0.6	-0.4
<b>WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT DATA</b>					
<b>TOTAL NONAG</b>	59.3	59.0	58.8	0.3	0.5

Seasonally Adjusted MSAs not an official BLS series