

**LABOR FORCE SUMMARY
COLORADO**

Preliminary Estimates for October 2008 (in thousands)

LABOR FORCE DATA					
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED*				Change from last:	
	Oct-08	Sep-08	Oct-07	Month	Year
Total Civilian Labor Force	2,752.6	2,749.4	2,729.2	3.2	23.4
Unemployment	155.8	142.6	107.1	13.2	48.7
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.7	5.2	3.9	--	--
Employment	2,596.8	2,606.8	2,622.1	-10.0	-25.3
UNADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY:					
				Change from last:	
	Oct-08	Sep-08	Oct-07	Month	Year
Total Civilian Labor Force	2,765.0	2,762.3	2,739.6	2.7	25.4
Unemployment	147.4	136.4	99.8	11.0	47.6
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.3	4.9	3.6	--	--
Employment	2,617.6	2,625.9	2,639.8	-8.3	-22.2

WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT DATA					
UNADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY:	Oct-08	Sep-08	Oct-07	Month	Year
Natural Resources & Mining	29.1	29.1	25.9	0.0	3.2
Construction	165.4	168.2	171.6	-2.8	-6.2
Manufacturing	142.7	142.9	146.1	-0.2	-3.4
Trade, Transportation, & Utilities	433.2	433.9	432.2	-0.7	1.0
Information	77.1	76.3	76.9	0.8	0.2
Financial Activities	155.7	156.8	158.3	-1.1	-2.6
Professional & Business Services	352.2	356.8	354.3	-4.6	-2.1
Educational & Health Services	251.9	250.7	243.2	1.2	8.7
Leisure & Hospitality	264.8	276.3	262.6	-11.5	2.2
Other Services	94.1	94.4	92.4	-0.3	1.7
Government	394.0	388.5	385.0	5.5	9.0
TOTAL NONAG	2,360.2	2,373.9	2,348.5	-13.7	11.7
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

Material contained within the accompanying tables is in the public domain and, with appropriate credit, may be reproduced without permission. Please reference, "Colorado Department of Labor and Employment, Labor Market Information".

LABOR FORCE SUMMARY
COLORADO METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS

Preliminary Estimates for October 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:	
	Oct-08	Sep-08	Oct-07	Month	Year
Total Civilian Labor Force	1,392.5	1,393.4	1,387.1	-0.9	5.4
Unemployment	82.4	75.3	56.5	7.1	25.9
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.9	5.4	4.1	--	--
Employment	1,310.1	1,318.1	1,330.6	-8.0	-20.5
UNADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY:					
				Change from last:	
	Oct-08	Sep-08	Oct-07	Month	Year
Total Civilian Labor Force	1,404.5	1,401.6	1,399.2	2.9	5.3
Unemployment	78.5	72.8	52.3	5.7	26.2
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.6	5.2	3.7	--	--
Employment	1,326.0	1,328.8	1,346.9	-2.8	-20.9
WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT DATA					
TOTAL NONAG	1256.3	1263.1	1254.7	-6.8	1.6

BOULDER-LONGMONT MSA (Boulder County)

LABOR FORCE DATA					
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED*				Change from last:	
	Oct-08	Sep-08	Oct-07	Month	Year
Total Civilian Labor Force	178.0	178.0	176.6	0.0	1.4
Unemployment	8.6	7.9	6.2	0.7	2.4
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.9	4.4	3.5	--	--
Employment	169.4	170.1	170.4	-0.7	-1.0
UNADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY:					
				Change from last:	
	Oct-08	Sep-08	Oct-07	Month	Year
Total Civilian Labor Force	180.6	179.3	179.1	1.3	1.5
Unemployment	8.2	7.6	5.7	0.6	2.5
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.5	4.2	3.2	--	--
Employment	172.4	171.7	173.4	0.7	-1.0
WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT DATA					
TOTAL NONAG	170.7	170.0	168.3	0.7	2.4

COLORADO SPRINGS MSA (El Paso and Teller counties)

LABOR FORCE DATA					
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED*				Change from last:	
	Oct-08	Sep-08	Oct-07	Month	Year
Total Civilian Labor Force	313.4	313.6	314.6	-0.2	-1.2
Unemployment	20.7	19.1	14.4	1.6	6.3
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.6	6.1	4.6	--	--
Employment	292.7	294.5	300.2	-1.8	-7.5
UNADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY:					
	Oct-08	Sep-08	Oct-07	Change from last:	
				Month	Year
Total Civilian Labor Force	315.7	315.6	316.9	0.1	-1.2
Unemployment	19.8	18.4	13.4	1.4	6.4
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.3	5.8	4.2	--	--
Employment	295.9	297.2	303.5	-1.3	-7.6
WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT DATA					
TOTAL NONAG	261.0	263.0	262.7	-2.0	-1.7

FT. COLLINS-LOVELAND MSA (Larimer County)

LABOR FORCE DATA					
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED*				Change from last:	
	Oct-08	Sep-08	Oct-07	Month	Year
Total Civilian Labor Force	176.9	177.8	176.7	-0.9	0.2
Unemployment	8.4	7.8	6.2	0.6	2.2
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.7	4.4	3.5	--	--
Employment	168.5	170.0	170.5	-1.5	-2.0
UNADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY:					
	Oct-08	Sep-08	Oct-07	Change from last:	
				Month	Year
Total Civilian Labor Force	179.3	180.2	179.3	-0.9	0.0
Unemployment	7.9	7.4	5.6	0.5	2.3
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.4	4.1	3.2	--	--
Employment	171.4	172.8	173.7	-1.4	-2.3
WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT DATA					
TOTAL NONAG	139.5	141.3	139.5	-1.8	0.0

GRAND JUNCTION MSA (Mesa County)

LABOR FORCE DATA					
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED*				Change from last:	
	Oct-08	Sep-08	Oct-07	Month	Year
Total Civilian Labor Force	82.7	82.6	80.0	0.1	2.7
Unemployment	3.6	3.5	2.7	0.1	0.9
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.4	4.2	3.3	--	--
Employment	79.1	79.1	77.3	0.0	1.8
UNADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY:					
	Oct-08	Sep-08	Oct-07	Change from last:	
				Month	Year
Total Civilian Labor Force	83.6	83.3	80.7	0.3	2.9
Unemployment	3.4	3.2	2.4	0.2	1.0
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.0	3.8	3.0	--	--
Employment	80.2	80.1	78.3	0.1	1.9
WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT DATA					
TOTAL NONAG	66.6	66.6	64.1	0.0	2.5

GREELEY MSA (Weld County)

LABOR FORCE DATA					
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED*				Change from last:	
	Oct-08	Sep-08	Oct-07	Month	Year
Total Civilian Labor Force	123.6	122.9	120.9	0.7	2.7
Unemployment	7.4	6.7	5.2	0.7	2.2
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.0	5.4	4.3	--	--
Employment	116.2	116.2	115.7	0.0	0.5
UNADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY:					
	Oct-08	Sep-08	Oct-07	Change from last:	
				Month	Year
Total Civilian Labor Force	125.1	124.0	122.3	1.1	2.8
Unemployment	6.9	6.3	4.7	0.6	2.2
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.5	5.1	3.8	--	--
Employment	118.2	117.7	117.6	0.5	0.6
WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT DATA					
TOTAL NONAG	84.9	84.5	84.0	0.4	0.9

PUEBLO MSA (Pueblo County)

LABOR FORCE DATA					
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED*				Change from last:	
	Oct-08	Sep-08	Oct-07	Month	Year
Total Civilian Labor Force	74.6	74.0	73.4	0.6	1.2
Unemployment	5.4	4.8	3.7	0.6	1.7
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.2	6.5	5.0	--	--
Employment	69.2	69.2	69.7	0.0	-0.5
UNADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY:					
				Change from last:	
	Oct-08	Sep-08	Oct-07	Month	Year
Total Civilian Labor Force	75.0	74.3	73.7	0.7	1.3
Unemployment	5.1	4.6	3.3	0.5	1.8
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.7	6.2	4.5	--	--
Employment	69.9	69.7	70.4	0.2	-0.5
WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT DATA					
TOTAL NONAG	59.3	59.3	59.1	0.0	0.2

Seasonally Adjusted MSAs not an official BLS series