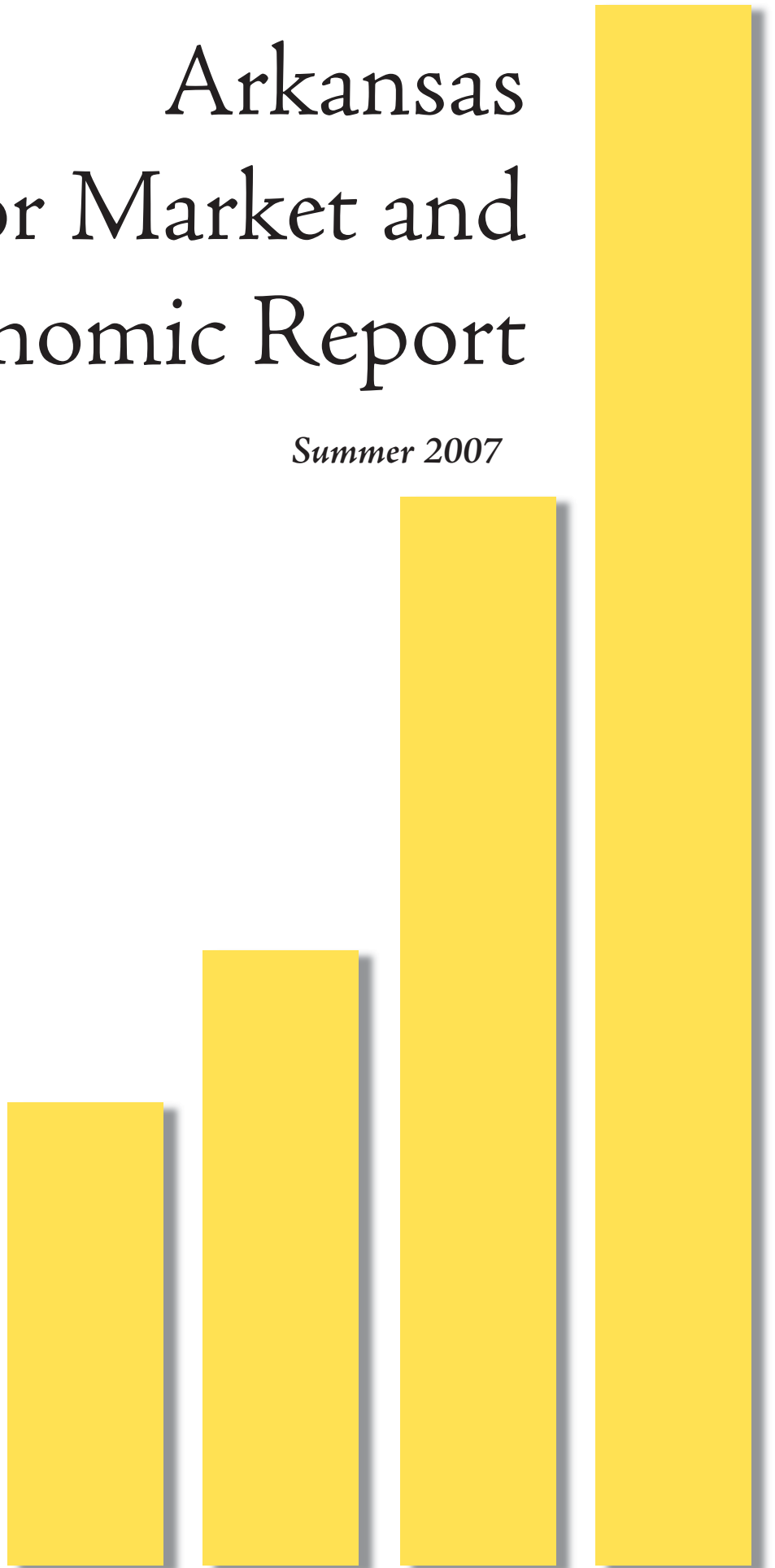


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Executive Summary

The Arkansas labor market and economy is changing. Service providing industries lead the state in employment growth, and while there was some growth in individual goods producing industries, overall these industries have seen a decline statewide. Occupations supporting Educational and Health Services, Professional and Business Services, and the Leisure and Hospitality industries are projected to be in higher demand through 2014, while the main growth in Manufacturing will be in Food Manufacturing. This will help to offset overall declines in the Manufacturing industries.

Although overall employment will continue to grow throughout Arkansas, jobs will be mainly distributed within the major growth areas of the Central and Northwest Arkansas Workforce Investment Areas (WIA). These two areas will account for more than 48 percent of Arkansas' growth. Conversely, areas of decline will occur in the Eastern, Southwest, and City of Little Rock WIAs.

Increased employment in the service providing industries occurred in five of the six major Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSA) in Arkansas during the 2002-2006 period. The Fayetteville-Springdale-Rogers and Hot Springs MSAs saw the largest increases at approximately 19 and 11 percent, respectively, while the Pine Bluff MSA posted neutral numbers during this period. In the goods producing industries, only the Fayetteville-Springdale-Rogers and Fort Smith MSAs showed increased employment during this period. Declining employment occurred in the other four MSAs, with the smallest decline being 9 percent in the Jonesboro MSA.

Industry change in Arkansas has seen a 16 percent growth rate since 2000 in the Professional and Business Services industries. This is aligned with Arkansas' drive for an increased presence in the high-tech industries. Also, during the same period, the Natural Resources and Mining sector has posted a 26 percent growth rate due to new natural gas exploration in the Fayetteville Shale Play. Not surprisingly, Manufacturing has seen a decline of 25 percent since 2000.

Highlights for Arkansas during the 2007-2009 period include:*

Real State Gross Product will grow 2.4 percent in 2007 and 2.6 percent in 2008 and 2009.

Real Personal Income growth will average about 3 percent annually over the 2007-2009 period.

Housing market correction will continue through 2007 and 2008.

2.0 - 3.0 percent annual growth is expected for the four largest MSAs in Arkansas in 2008-2009.

*Source: Arkansas Economic Outlook, UALR Institute for Economic Advancement

Arkansas Current Employment Statistics

Since 2000, employment in Arkansas' major industry sectors has seen a continuing shift from goods producing industries to service providing industries. Employment growth in Educational and Health Services of 21 percent, Professional and Business Services industries of 16 percent, and Leisure and Hospitality of 16 percent, has helped drive the change in employment in the service providing industries. A significant shift in Manufacturing has caused a 25 percent decline in this industries' employment during the same period.

Reflecting this trend, Arkansas MSAs have seen a decline in goods producing industries in four of the six areas. The Fayetteville-Springdale-Rogers and Fort Smith MSAs were the only areas to post employment growth in these industries between 2002 and 2006. Growth in service providing industries occurred in all MSAs, except Pine Bluff, with Fayetteville-Springdale-Rogers and Hot Springs MSAs having growth rates of 19 and 11 percent, respectively.

Mark A. Thompson, Ph.D., an economic forecaster for the Institute for Economic Advancement Research Group, stated this statewide development reflects what is occurring in the national arena. This is also replicated in the data collected by the Arkansas Department of Workforce Services, showing a statewide decline in goods producing industries of 16 percent and a growth of 11 percent in service providing industries since 2000. For that reason, Thompson believes Arkansas has become a more diversified labor market, as it has transitioned away from being a goods-producing economy.

Arkansas Industry Focus

Analyzing Arkansas and the 10 Workforce Investment Areas using the eight categories defined by the U.S. Census Bureau and Arkansas Department of Workforce Services Local Employment Dynamics program, we can see with greater detail how Arkansas' economy is divided.

Total Employment

Service providing industries showed the largest employment in 2005, with only 10 percent of the goods producing industries being in the Top 10 industries statewide. As a top industry, Food Manufacturing represented the goods producing industries in seven of the 10 Workforce Investment Areas. Professional and Business Services and Educational and Health Services led the service providing industries in the 10 Workforce Investment Areas.

Growth in Employment

Growth in employment was evenly split between the service providing and goods producing industries in the Top 10 industries statewide. Goods producing industries showed growth which included Construction and Manufacturing related industries. Growth in Manufacturing industries exhibited more diversity statewide, indicating a broader skill set is sought by employers. Construction growth was moderately diverse and evident in seven of the 10 Workforce Investment Areas. Transportation and Support Activities industries were included in six of the 10 Workforce Investment Areas, making it the largest contributor to the service providing industries' overall growth.

Growth in Hiring

Statewide, the top industry growth in the Top 10 growth in hiring were Administrative and Support Services at 28 percent, Food Manufacturing at 14 percent, and Heavy and Civil Engineering Construction at 13 percent, with goods producing industries accounting for 47 percent of growth. At the local level, Administrative and Support Services is in eight of the 10 Workforce Investment Areas' Top 10 industries. Although Food Manufacturing had the single largest growth in hiring in the goods producing industries, a large degree of diversity is evident with nine of the 10 Workforce Investment Areas having multiple Manufacturing industries.

Number of New Hires

The number of new hires in Arkansas is largely due to the expansion of service producing industries. Statewide, the largest service providing industries contributing to the Top 10 number of new hires were Administrative and Support Services, Food Services and Drinking Places, and Hospitals, accounting for 49 percent of the total growth. Food Manufacturing provided 13 percent of the growth for the number of new hires.

"As Arkansas continues to transition away from manufacturing, service providing industries will continue to grow (such as health, food and support activities)," Thompson said.

Locally, Food Manufacturing is in the Top 10 industries in seven Workforce Investment Areas and in the Top 5 in six of those areas. In service providing industries, Food Services and Drinking Places ranked in the Top 3 industries in all areas and was the top industry for new hires in six areas.

Arkansas Industry Focus

Firm Job Change

Service providing industries showed the greatest expansion in the Top 10 stable jobs statewide during 2005. The largest contributor to service providing industries was Administrative and Support Services with 6,744 jobs. This accounts for more than 37 percent of the service providing industry expansion. Behind Administrative and Support Services, Food Services and Drinking Places showed growth in nine of the 10 local Workforce Investment Areas. Food Manufacturing represented 4,435 of the stable jobs statewide during 2005 and is prevalent in eight of the 10 Workforce Investment Areas. The Manufacturing sector is dominant in the Eastern and Southwest WIAs, with four manufacturing industries each.

Average Monthly Earnings for All Workers

In 2005, the Securities and Other Investments industry posted average monthly earnings of \$6,383 per month statewide, while the City of Little Rock WIA averaged \$7,657 per month. The second highest earning industry statewide was Wholesale Electronic Markets and Agents and Brokers with average earnings of \$5,862 per month. This industry was present in all Workforce Investment Areas, with the highest average earnings found in the Northwest WIA at \$6,647 per month. The Utilities industry had average statewide earnings of \$4,893 per month, with the highest WIA average earnings of \$6,399 per month in the West Central area.

Growth in Average Monthly Earnings for All Workers

Leading the growth in average monthly earnings for all workers was the Wholesale Electronic Markets and Agents and Brokers industry at \$796 per month. This is consistent with the overall growth in the electronics service sector. Oil and Gas Extraction was second in the goods producing industries with a statewide average growth in monthly earnings of \$727. Also in the goods producing industries, Heavy and Civil Engineering Construction and Construction of Buildings showed a monthly growth of \$546 and \$410, respectively

Average Monthly Earnings for New Hires

Statewide, the service providing industries also led the average monthly earnings for new hires. New hires in Wholesale Electronic Markets and Agents and Brokers averaged \$4,657 per month with the highest average earnings of \$5,788 a month in the Northwest WIA. Adding strength to the service providing industries, Utilities averaged earnings of \$3,365 monthly statewide, with the highest earnings located in the City of Little Rock WIA at \$4,850 per month. Top industries in the goods producing sector statewide include Heavy and Civil Engineering Construction and Chemical Manufacturing with average earnings of \$3,180 and \$3,088 per month, respectively. Construction earnings were highest at \$5,040 per month in the Eastern WIA and Chemical Manufacturing received the most earnings in the Southeast WIA at \$4,541 per month.

Arkansas Employment

Arkansas employment varies at state, county, and MSA levels. At the state level, employment rates are deemed normal in Arkansas when they are between 94.5 and 95 percent. Annual employment rates in Arkansas between 2002 and 2006 ranged from a low of 94.2 percent in 2003 to a high of 94.9 percent in 2005. Arkansas ended 2006 with an annual employment rate of 94.7 percent.

Employment at the county level varies widely. Counties concentrated in Central and Northwest Arkansas have experienced rapid growth over the 2002-2006 period, as the highest growth occurred in Benton County at 21 percent. Both Garland and Saline Counties showed the lowest growth at 11 percent. Counties experiencing declines in employment during the same period were predominantly in the Eastern and Southern regions of Arkansas. The largest decline in employment occurred in Woodruff County with a loss in employment of 16 percent.

During the 2002-2006 period, employment increased in each MSA. The lowest increases were in Pine Bluff and Jonesboro MSAs at 3 and 7 percent, respectively. Highest employment growth occurred in the Fayetteville-Springdale-Rogers MSA at 18 percent.

Arkansas Unemployment

Arkansas unemployment is more than the mirror image of Arkansas employment. It is an estimate of the number of unemployed. Using the Current Population Survey, households report if unemployed adults in the household attempted to find work in the previous four weeks. The Current Employment Statistics Survey is an estimate of employment based on a survey of businesses. Unemployment insurance beneficiaries numbers are combined with the other information to arrive at the unemployment figure. Thompson said Arkansas' unemployment rate has a tendency to fluctuate between 5 and 5.5 percent; and unemployment rates below normal may represent labor markets that are tighter than other markets and thus tend to push wages up.

During the 2002-2006 period, counties with high unemployment figures were primarily located in the Eastern and Delta regions of Arkansas. Unemployment figures in these counties ranged from 6.9 percent in Woodruff County to 12 percent in Mississippi County. By comparison, counties with low unemployment figures were located mainly in Northwest and Central Arkansas. In these areas, unemployment rates vary from 3 percent in Benton County to 5.2 percent in Faulkner County.

Using the latest data available from the U.S. Census Bureau's Small Area Estimates Branch released Dec. 20, 2006, the poverty rate for Arkansas in 2004 was 15.6 percent. Eight of the 10 counties with the highest unemployment rates also have the highest poverty rates in Arkansas, ranging from 22.1 percent in Mississippi County to 30.3 percent in Lee County. Conversely, six of the 10 counties with the lowest unemployment rates also had some of the lowest poverty rates in Arkansas. The highest poverty rate in these 10 counties was in Scott County with 18.4 percent and the lowest occurring in Saline County with 9.1 percent.

The Future of Arkansas – State Industry and Occupations

Growth projections for Arkansas industry through 2014 focus on the service providing industries with a projected growth of 33 percent in the Educational Services, Administrative and Support Services, and the Management of Companies and Enterprises industries. Another 28 percent of projected industry growth will be seen in the Health Care and Social Assistance sector. Thompson projects Fayetteville Shale Play related industries and occupations will have an impact during this time period. Other occupations that are projected to be a force during this period are Truck Drivers, Heavy and Tractor-Trailer, Retail Salespersons, and Registered Nurses.

Declining employment in Arkansas will remain primarily in the goods producing industries with 50 percent of the Top 10 projected industry declines being in Manufacturing. Top declining occupations include File Clerks, Stock Clerks and Order Fillers, and Computer Operators.

“Manufacturing will continue to decline; however, construction will decline over the next year or two, but as the housing market corrects itself, it will continue to grow at historic rates,” Thompson said.

The Future of Arkansas – Local Industry and Occupations

Workforce Investment Areas will show growth mainly in the service providing industries. The largest growth areas will be in the Northwest and Central WIAs, accounting for 50 percent of the state’s projected growth. The top growth industry in the Northwest WIA will be Management of Companies and Enterprises while Administrative and Support Services will be the top growth industry in the Central WIA. Truck Transportation and Educational Services will be second and third in the Northwest WIA. In the Central WIA, the second and third largest growth industries will be Educational Services and Food Services and Drinking Places.

Truck Drivers, Heavy and Tractor-Trailer, Retail Salespersons, and Office Clerks, General will lead occupational growth in the Northwest WIA. Central WIA projections show occupational growth in Retail Salespersons and Registered Nurses

Declining industries are found in all Workforce Investment Areas, however, the City of Little Rock, Northeast, Southeast, and Southwest WIAs are projected to have the largest net decline in the Top 10 industries by area. Due to the reduction in the Apparel Manufacturing industry, the Sewing Machine Operator occupation will see the largest loss in the Manufacturing industry, with the largest loss in the Southeast WIA. The largest occupational loss in the service providing industry will be File Clerks, with the second largest loss being Stock Clerks and Order Fillers. File Clerks will lose positions in every area of the state except the West Central WIA and will have the largest loss in the City of Little Rock WIA. The largest loss in the Stock Clerks and Order Fillers occupation will also be centered in the City of Little Rock WIA.

Concluding Remarks

As Arkansas' labor market and economy continues to change, the key to improvement for state, MSAs, and Workforce Investment Area industries and occupations is diversity. In the last 10 years, significant economic growth has been seen in service providing industries. Expansions have been particularly strong in Professional and Business Services and also in Health and Social Assistance. While goods producing industries have declined over this same time period, current economic developments have improved in Natural Resources and Mining due to the Fayetteville Shale Play in the North Central and Central parts of the state.

Nonfarm Payroll Table and Charts

Metropolitan Statistical Areas Service Providing Industry Employment Change

Metropolitan Statistical Area	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Fayetteville-Springdale-Rogers	134,200	139,200	145,100	153,900	159,500
Fort Smith	80,400	80,700	82,000	83,900	86,700
Hot Springs	29,200	30,200	31,000	31,500	32,500
Jonesboro	35,700	35,800	36,900	37,700	39,000
Little Rock-North Little Rock-Conway	276,200	280,300	285,500	289,900	297,600
Pine Bluff	30,600	31,100	31,600	31,200	30,600

Source: Arkansas Department of Workforce Services, Current Employment Statistics Survey

Metropolitan Statistical Areas Goods Producing Industry Employment Change

Metropolitan Statistical Area	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Fayetteville-Springdale-Rogers	42,600	42,600	43,200	44,700	45,600
Fort Smith	35,200	34,700	34,900	35,800	36,600
Hot Springs	6,200	6,100	5,900	6,000	6,100
Jonesboro	11,000	11,300	11,100	10,300	10,100
Little Rock-North Little Rock-Conway	44,500	43,100	42,600	43,000	43,800
Pine Bluff	9,000	8,800	8,800	8,900	8,900

Source: Arkansas Department of Workforce Services, Current Employment Statistics Survey

Nonfarm Payroll Table and Charts

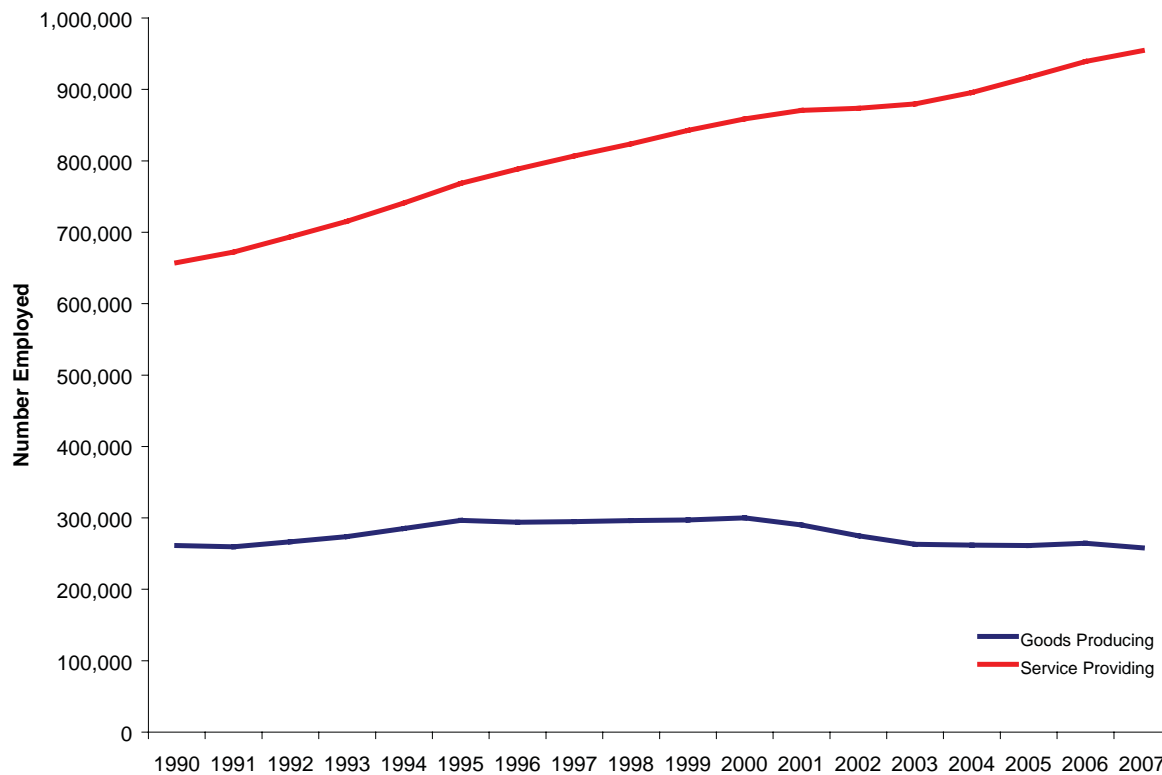
Goods Producing Industries Employment, State of Arkansas

April/Year	No. of Employed
1990	261,400
1991	259,500
1992	266,600
1993	273,700
1994	285,300
1995	296,600
1996	293,900
1997	294,700
1998	296,300
1999	297,100
2000	300,000
2001	290,000
2002	274,900
2003	263,000
2004	261,900
2005	261,300
2006	264,500
2007	258,000

Service Providing Industries Employment, State of Arkansas

April/Year	No. of Employed
1990	657,300
1991	672,300
1992	693,500
1993	715,500
1994	740,900
1995	768,400
1996	788,500
1997	806,800
1998	823,800
1999	842,600
2000	858,700
2001	870,800
2002	873,500
2003	879,600
2004	895,800
2005	917,100
2006	939,200
2007	953,000

Source: Arkansas Department of Workforce Services, Current Employment Statistics Survey



Source: Arkansas Department of Workforce Services, Current Employment Statistics Survey

Nonfarm Payroll Table and Charts

Major Industry Employment Change in Arkansas

Industry	1990	1995	2000	2005	2007	Percent Change
Professional and Business Services	57,000	77,200	100,200	110,600	116,400	104.2%
Education and Health Services	90,600	114,400	127,700	146,000	154,700	70.8%
Construction	36,300	43,500	52,500	53,800	57,000	57.0%
Leisure and Hospitality	66,000	78,000	86,500	94,900	100,000	51.5%
Other Services (Except Government)	32,800	36,600	41,000	42,800	44,300	35.1%
Financial Activities	40,000	44,300	49,600	50,700	53,300	33.2%
Public Administration	161,400	180,000	193,400	207,900	214,500	32.9%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	192,100	220,200	240,500	244,200	249,500	29.9%
Natural Resources and Mining	6,900	7,200	6,500	6,900	8,200	18.8%
Information	17,400	17,700	19,800	20,000	20,300	16.7%
Manufacturing	218,200	245,900	241,000	200,600	192,800	-11.6%

Source: Arkansas Department of Workforce Services, Current Employment Statistics Survey

Industry Focus - Local Industry

Top 10 Industries by Greatest Employment

2005Q1 - 2005Q4

Central Workforce Investment Area

Food Services and Drinking Places	11,298
Administrative and Support Services	9,086
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	6,806
General Merchandise Stores	6,285
Truck Transportation	5,741
Specialty Trade Contractors	5,589
Nursing and Residential Care Facilities	4,691
Merchant Wholesalers, Durable Goods	4,683
Ambulatory Health Care Services	4,490
Social Assistance	3,590

Eastern Workforce Investment Area

Food Services and Drinking Places	2,506
Truck Transportation	1,690
Ambulatory Health Care Services	1,613
General Merchandise Stores	1,522
Hospitals	1,140
Merchant Wholesalers, Nondurable Goods	1,073
Nursing and Residential Care Facilities	1,038
Social Assistance	1,016
Merchant Wholesalers, Durable Goods	963
Heavy and Civil Engineering Construction	945

City of Little Rock Workforce Investment Area

Administrative and Support Services	13,099
Hospitals	10,868
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	9,402
Food Services and Drinking Places	9,099
Ambulatory Health Care Services	7,749
Telecommunications	5,361
Merchant Wholesalers, Durable Goods	4,782
Insurance Carriers and Related Activities	4,472
Management of Companies and Enterprises	4,033
Credit Intermediation and Related Activities	3,872

North Central Workforce Investment Area

Food Services and Drinking Places	4,507
Food Manufacturing	4,140
Hospitals	3,727
Ambulatory Health Care Services	2,840
Nursing and Residential Care Facilities	2,466
General Merchandise Stores	2,420
Administrative and Support Services	2,217
Truck Transportation	1,878
Credit Intermediation and Related Activities	1,540
Social Assistance	1,424

Northeast Workforce Investment Area

Food Services and Drinking Places	5,882
Administrative and Support Services	5,223
Ambulatory Health Care Services	3,810
General Merchandise Stores	3,799
Hospitals	3,786
Transportation Equipment Manufacturing	3,640
Primary Metal Manufacturing	2,767
Fabricated Metal Product Manufacturing	2,514
Electrical Equipment, Appliance, and Component Manufacturing	2,320
Food Manufacturing	2,270

Northwest Workforce Investment Area

Food Manufacturing	15,224
Management of Companies and Enterprises	14,914
Truck Transportation	14,567
Food Services and Drinking Places	14,189
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	8,887
Administrative and Support Services	8,399
Ambulatory Health Care Services	7,134
Hospitals	6,486
General Merchandise Stores	5,729
Specialty Trade Contractors	5,144

Southeast Workforce Investment Area

Paper Manufacturing	4,738
Food Manufacturing	4,052
Food Services and Drinking Places	3,694
Wood Product Manufacturing	2,632
Hospitals	2,565
Ambulatory Health Care Services	2,445
General Merchandise Stores	2,342
Nursing and Residential Care Facilities	2,305
Credit Intermediation and Related Activities	1,883
Social Assistance	1,723

Southwest Workforce Investment Area

Food Manufacturing	6,795
Food Services and Drinking Places	4,163
Plastics and Rubber Products Manufacturing	3,879
Wood Product Manufacturing	3,508
Fabricated Metal Product Manufacturing	3,211
Nursing and Residential Care Facilities	3,211
Truck Transportation	2,548
Administrative and Support Services	2,397
General Merchandise Stores	2,234
Ambulatory Health Care Services	2,163

West Central Workforce Investment Area

Food Services and Drinking Places	7,877
Food Manufacturing	6,618
Ambulatory Health Care Services	4,337
Administrative and Support Services	4,318
Hospitals	4,276
General Merchandise Stores	3,771
Nursing and Residential Care Facilities	3,248
Wood Product Manufacturing	3,079
Specialty Trade Contractors	2,352
Social Assistance	2,025

Western Workforce Investment Area

Food Manufacturing	9,814
Administrative and Support Services	7,596
Electrical Equipment, Appliance, and Component Manufacturing	6,878
Food Services and Drinking Places	6,541
Hospitals	4,809
Ambulatory Health Care Services	4,214
Truck Transportation	3,488
General Merchandise Stores	3,392
Nursing and Residential Care Facilities	2,992
Machinery Manufacturing	2,916

Source: U.S. Census Bureau and Arkansas Department of Workforce Services, Local Employment Dynamics Program, 2006

Industry Focus - Local Industry

Top 10 Industries by Growth in Employment

2005Q1 - 2005Q4

Central Workforce Investment Area

Truck Transportation
 Paper Manufacturing
 Sporting Goods, Hobby, Book, and Music Stores
 Private Households
 Merchant Wholesalers, Nondurable Goods
 Nonmetallic Mineral Product Manufacturing
 Primary Metal Manufacturing
 Mining (except Oil and Gas)
 Air Transportation
 Printing and Related Support Activities

Eastern Workforce Investment Area

Heavy and Civil Engineering Construction
 Nonmetallic Mineral Product Manufacturing
 Insurance Carriers and Related Activities
 Machinery Manufacturing
 Fabricated Metal Product Manufacturing
 Social Assistance
 Merchant Wholesalers, Durable Goods
 Amusement, Gambling, and Recreation Industries
 Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services
 Wholesale Electronic Markets and Agents and Brokers

City of Little Rock Workforce Investment Area

Machinery Manufacturing
 Support Activities for Transportation
 Transportation Equipment Manufacturing
 Nonmetallic Mineral Product Manufacturing
 Air Transportation
 Construction of Buildings
 Educational Services
 Management of Companies and Enterprises
 Health and Personal Care Stores
 Couriers and Messengers

North Central Workforce Investment Area

Couriers and Messengers
 Wholesale Electronic Markets and Agents and Brokers
 Health and Personal Care Stores
 Support Activities for Agriculture and Forestry
 Transportation Equipment Manufacturing
 Heavy and Civil Engineering Construction
 Administrative and Support Services
 Building Material and Garden Equipment and Supplies Dealers
 Publishing Industries (except Internet)
 Religious, Grantmaking, Civic, Professional, and Similar Organizations

Northeast Workforce Investment Area

Publishing Industries (except Internet)
 Motion Picture and Sound Recording Industries
 Educational Services
 Building Material and Garden Equipment and Supplies Dealers
 Telecommunications
 Transportation Equipment Manufacturing
 Food Manufacturing
 Administrative and Support Services
 Apparel Manufacturing
 Private Households

Northwest Workforce Investment Area

32.4	Furniture and Related Product Manufacturing	45.4
24.9	Merchant Wholesalers, Nondurable Goods	29.7
22.1	Forestry and Logging	26.6
20.8	Mining (except Oil and Gas)	25.9
20.8	Paper Manufacturing	23.5
18.8	Educational Services	19.7
15.1	Construction of Buildings	19.6
14.6	Nonmetallic Mineral Product Manufacturing	16.8
12.4	Administrative and Support Services	16.7
12.1	Support Activities for Agriculture and Forestry	13.8

Southeast Workforce Investment Area

107.3	Transportation Equipment Manufacturing	24.7
75.3	Nursing and Residential Care Facilities	16.4
51.1	Wholesale Electronic Markets and Agents and Brokers	13.3
42.9	Administrative and Support Services	12.1
17.6	Plastics and Rubber Products Manufacturing	12.1
16.7	Educational Services	9.3
16.5	Publishing Industries (except Internet)	7.6
15.7	Amusement, Gambling, and Recreation Industries	7.5
15.6	Building Material and Garden Equipment and Supplies Dealers	7.4
15.0	Heavy and Civil Engineering Construction	6.8

Southwest Workforce Investment Area

41.4	Support Activities for Mining	24.8
26.4	Warehousing and Storage	21.7
25.5	Utilities	16.8
22.4	Truck Transportation	14.9
17.2	Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	14.8
14.0	Transportation Equipment Manufacturing	13.4
13.2	Nonmetallic Mineral Product Manufacturing	12.1
8.8	Management of Companies and Enterprises	11.2
8.2	Wood Product Manufacturing	11.0
8.0	Electrical Equipment, Appliance, and Component Manufacturing	10.3

West Central Workforce Investment Area

43.2	Heavy and Civil Engineering Construction	27.8
29.8	Support Activities for Transportation	19.1
18.2	Wholesale Electronic Markets and Agents and Brokers	18.6
17.1	Primary Metal Manufacturing	12.4
16.6	Beverage and Tobacco Product Manufacturing	12.4
15.8	Fabricated Metal Product Manufacturing	12.2
13.9	Educational Services	11.6
11.3	Real Estate	10.5
10.4	Leather and Allied Product Manufacturing	10.2
8.5	Warehousing and Storage	9.7

Western Workforce Investment Area

97.1	Waste Management and Remediation Services	41.6
23.7	Wood Product Manufacturing	30.9
23.3	Food Manufacturing	17.7
21.3	Mining (except Oil and Gas)	17.4
17.7	Warehousing and Storage	15.3
14.9	Accommodation	15.2
14.2	Heavy and Civil Engineering Construction	13.8
14.2	Beverage and Tobacco Product Manufacturing	13.0
12.0	Management of Companies and Enterprises	12.2
11.3	Machinery Manufacturing	11.0

Source: U.S. Census Bureau and Arkansas Department of Workforce Services, Local Employment Dynamics Program, 2006

Industry Focus - Local Industry

Top 10 Industries by Growth in Hiring

2005Q1 - 2005Q4

Central Workforce Investment Area

Truck Transportation	
Food Services and Drinking Places	
Hospitals	
Sporting Goods, Hobby, Book, and Music Stores	
Motor Vehicle and Parts Dealers	
Social Assistance	
Fabricated Metal Product Manufacturing	
Merchant Wholesalers, Nondurable Goods	
Transportation Equipment Manufacturing	
General Merchandise Stores	

Eastern Workforce Investment Area

Heavy and Civil Engineering Construction	
Machinery Manufacturing	
Accommodation	
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	
Hospitals	
Nonmetallic Mineral Product Manufacturing	
Insurance Carriers and Related Activities	
Real Estate	
Credit Intermediation and Related Activities	
Motor Vehicle and Parts Dealers	

City of Little Rock Workforce Investment Area

Administrative and Support Services	
Ambulatory Health Care Services	
Merchant Wholesalers, Nondurable Goods	
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	
Nursing and Residential Care Facilities	
Truck Transportation	
Food and Beverage Stores	
Food Services and Drinking Places	
Couriers and Messengers	
Educational Services	

North Central Workforce Investment Area

Hospitals	
Administrative and Support Services	
Heavy and Civil Engineering Construction	
Credit Intermediation and Related Activities	
Ambulatory Health Care Services	
Electrical Equipment, Appliance, and Component Manufacturing	
General Merchandise Stores	
Publishing Industries (except Internet)	
Educational Services	
Merchant Wholesalers, Nondurable Goods	

Northeast Workforce Investment Area

Administrative and Support Services	
Transportation Equipment Manufacturing	
Food Services and Drinking Places	
Ambulatory Health Care Services	
Primary Metal Manufacturing	
Electrical Equipment, Appliance, and Component Manufacturing	
Publishing Industries (except Internet)	
Plastics and Rubber Products Manufacturing	
Repair and Maintenance	
Heavy and Civil Engineering Construction	

Northwest Workforce Investment Area

215 Administrative and Support Services	654
162 Truck Transportation	467
83 Food Manufacturing	255
78 Food Services and Drinking Places	248
66 Credit Intermediation and Related Activities	175
61 Machinery Manufacturing	173
55 Transportation Equipment Manufacturing	136
49 Merchant Wholesalers, Nondurable Goods	124
37 Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	100
37 Construction of Buildings	86

Southeast Workforce Investment Area

285 Food and Beverage Stores	125
67 Heavy and Civil Engineering Construction	77
41 Machinery Manufacturing	61
36 Wood Product Manufacturing	53
28 Warehousing and Storage	39
25 Administrative and Support Services	32
25 Food Services and Drinking Places	30
18 Construction of Buildings	29
17 Transportation Equipment Manufacturing	20
14 Publishing Industries (except Internet)	20

Southwest Workforce Investment Area

319 Food Manufacturing	214
113 Hospitals	174
61 Wood Product Manufacturing	131
60 Support Activities for Mining	129
55 Food Services and Drinking Places	59
53 Transportation Equipment Manufacturing	51
49 Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	46
40 Motor Vehicle and Parts Dealers	40
39 Furniture and Related Product Manufacturing	35
38 Administrative and Support Services	34

West Central Workforce Investment Area

221 Heavy and Civil Engineering Construction	199
107 Warehousing and Storage	127
71 Administrative and Support Services	101
52 Food Services and Drinking Places	65
44 Transportation Equipment Manufacturing	60
40 Educational Services	57
33 Real Estate	52
19 Fabricated Metal Product Manufacturing	51
16 General Merchandise Stores	51
15 Hospitals	44

Western Workforce Investment Area

267 Food Manufacturing	532
218 Administrative and Support Services	430
117 Support Activities for Mining	167
70 Machinery Manufacturing	101
58 Heavy and Civil Engineering Construction	80
57 Hospitals	61
46 Waste Management and Remediation Services	58
35 General Merchandise Stores	55
35 Specialty Trade Contractors	48
28 Wood Product Manufacturing	42

Source: U.S. Census Bureau and Arkansas Department of Workforce Services, Local Employment Dynamics Program, 2006

Industry Focus - Local Industry

Top 10 Industries by Number of New Hires

2005Q1 - 2005Q4

Central Workforce Investment Area

Food Services and Drinking Places	1,810
Administrative and Support Services	1,761
Nursing and Residential Care Facilities	730
General Merchandise Stores	727
Truck Transportation	710
Motor Vehicle and Parts Dealers	496
Computer and Electronic Product Manufacturing	487
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	475
Specialty Trade Contractors	468
Merchant Wholesalers, Durable Goods	416

Eastern Workforce Investment Area

Heavy and Civil Engineering Construction	373
Food Services and Drinking Places	346
Truck Transportation	183
General Merchandise Stores	157
Ambulatory Health Care Services	129
Nursing and Residential Care Facilities	110
Food and Beverage Stores	101
Gasoline Stations	101
Merchant Wholesalers, Nondurable Goods	85
Social Assistance	85

City of Little Rock Workforce Investment Area

Administrative and Support Services	2,458
Food Services and Drinking Places	1,423
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	1,259
Insurance Carriers and Related Activities	861
Hospitals	621
Ambulatory Health Care Services	548
General Merchandise Stores	406
Telecommunications	328
Credit Intermediation and Related Activities	309
Nursing and Residential Care Facilities	300

North Central Workforce Investment Area

Food Services and Drinking Places	712
Food Manufacturing	536
Administrative and Support Services	518
Hospitals	486
Nursing and Residential Care Facilities	288
General Merchandise Stores	249
Ambulatory Health Care Services	213
Truck Transportation	195
Transportation Equipment Manufacturing	163
Food and Beverage Stores	148

Northeast Workforce Investment Area

Administrative and Support Services	1,224
Food Services and Drinking Places	855
Transportation Equipment Manufacturing	774
General Merchandise Stores	419
Nursing and Residential Care Facilities	319
Hospitals	318
Ambulatory Health Care Services	317
Publishing Industries (except Internet)	232
Social Assistance	207
Food Manufacturing	202

Northwest Workforce Investment Area

Food Services and Drinking Places	2,408
Food Manufacturing	2,150
Administrative and Support Services	1,863
Truck Transportation	1,799
Hospitals	1,204
Management of Companies and Enterprises	989
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	879
Ambulatory Health Care Services	724
Nursing and Residential Care Facilities	594
General Merchandise Stores	557

Southeast Workforce Investment Area

Food Services and Drinking Places	568
Nursing and Residential Care Facilities	368
Food Manufacturing	309
Heavy and Civil Engineering Construction	275
General Merchandise Stores	259
Administrative and Support Services	259
Food and Beverage Stores	229
Ambulatory Health Care Services	210
Wood Product Manufacturing	189
Gasoline Stations	168

Southwest Workforce Investment Area

Food Services and Drinking Places	636
Hospitals	634
Food Manufacturing	600
Nursing and Residential Care Facilities	553
Administrative and Support Services	534
Truck Transportation	297
General Merchandise Stores	236
Food and Beverage Stores	211
Gasoline Stations	211
Fabricated Metal Product Manufacturing	199

West Central Workforce Investment Area

Food Services and Drinking Places	1,194
Food Manufacturing	903
Administrative and Support Services	815
Nursing and Residential Care Facilities	533
Hospitals	468
General Merchandise Stores	425
Ambulatory Health Care Services	317
Heavy and Civil Engineering Construction	229
Specialty Trade Contractors	212
Accommodation	207

Western Workforce Investment Area

Administrative and Support Services	2,225
Food Manufacturing	2,091
Food Services and Drinking Places	1,053
Management of Companies and Enterprises	493
Nursing and Residential Care Facilities	373
General Merchandise Stores	365
Truck Transportation	365
Ambulatory Health Care Services	307
Hospitals	273
Electrical Equipment, Appliance, and Component Manufacturing	242

Source: U.S. Census Bureau and Arkansas Department of Workforce Services, Local Employment Dynamics Program, 2006

Industry Focus - Local Industry

Top 10 Industries by Firm Job Change

2005Q1 - 2005Q4

Central Workforce Investment Area

Administrative and Support Services	848
Computer and Electronic Product Manufacturing	404
Food Services and Drinking Places	354
Nursing and Residential Care Facilities	301
General Merchandise Stores	243
Truck Transportation	236
Insurance Carriers and Related Activities	212
Motor Vehicle and Parts Dealers	200
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	132
Merchant Wholesalers, Durable Goods	115

Eastern Workforce Investment Area

Heavy and Civil Engineering Construction	326
General Merchandise Stores	66
Fabricated Metal Product Manufacturing	35
Nonmetallic Mineral Product Manufacturing	34
Nursing and Residential Care Facilities	34
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	30
Accommodation	25
Machinery Manufacturing	22
Social Assistance	22
Food Manufacturing	17

City of Little Rock Workforce Investment Area

Administrative and Support Services	1,249
Insurance Carriers and Related Activities	764
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	742
Food Services and Drinking Places	365
Fabricated Metal Product Manufacturing	212
Hospitals	190
Construction of Buildings	144
Nursing and Residential Care Facilities	140
Ambulatory Health Care Services	132
General Merchandise Stores	120

North Central Workforce Investment Area

Food Manufacturing	332
Administrative and Support Services	326
Hospitals	243
Food Services and Drinking Places	122
General Merchandise Stores	99
Truck Transportation	87
Transportation Equipment Manufacturing	78
Nursing and Residential Care Facilities	73
Ambulatory Health Care Services	52
Warehousing and Storage	48

Northeast Workforce Investment Area

Administrative and Support Services	764
Transportation Equipment Manufacturing	451
General Merchandise Stores	158
Nursing and Residential Care Facilities	134
Hospitals	112
Food Manufacturing	105
Ambulatory Health Care Services	104
Food Services and Drinking Places	88
Credit Intermediation and Related Activities	75
Primary Metal Manufacturing	70

Northwest Workforce Investment Area

Food Manufacturing	1,383
Administrative and Support Services	1,081
Hospitals	746
Food Services and Drinking Places	590
Truck Transportation	567
Machinery Manufacturing	470
Management of Companies and Enterprises	423
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	296
Merchant Wholesalers, Nondurable Goods	267
Nursing and Residential Care Facilities	258

Southeast Workforce Investment Area

Heavy and Civil Engineering Construction	174
Nursing and Residential Care Facilities	163
Administrative and Support Services	121
Food Manufacturing	98
General Merchandise Stores	97
Food Services and Drinking Places	80
Food and Beverage Stores	69
Ambulatory Health Care Services	60
Transportation Equipment Manufacturing	48
Merchant Wholesalers, Nondurable Goods	42

Southwest Workforce Investment Area

Hospitals	496
Administrative and Support Services	326
Nursing and Residential Care Facilities	310
Food Manufacturing	234
Wood Product Manufacturing	139
Food Services and Drinking Places	126
Truck Transportation	111
General Merchandise Stores	104
Electrical Equipment, Appliance, and Component Manufacturing	88
Fabricated Metal Product Manufacturing	52

West Central Workforce Investment Area

Food Manufacturing	555
Administrative and Support Services	345
Hospitals	256
Nursing and Residential Care Facilities	246
General Merchandise Stores	190
Food Services and Drinking Places	177
Heavy and Civil Engineering Construction	101
Ambulatory Health Care Services	99
Warehousing and Storage	85
Amusement, Gambling, and Recreation Industries	58

Western Workforce Investment Area

Administrative and Support Services	1,707
Food Manufacturing	1,690
Management of Companies and Enterprises	358
Food Services and Drinking Places	266
General Merchandise Stores	151
Electrical Equipment, Appliance, and Component Manufacturing	122
Nursing and Residential Care Facilities	117
Machinery Manufacturing	70
Support Activities for Mining	66
Food and Beverage Stores	59

Source: U.S. Census Bureau and Arkansas Department of Workforce Services, Local Employment Dynamics Program, 2006

Industry Focus - Local Industry

Top 10 Industries by Average Monthly Earnings for All Workers

2005Q1 - 2005Q4

Central Workforce Investment Area

Wholesale Electronic Markets and Agents and Brokers	5,762
Primary Metal Manufacturing	5,159
Pipeline Transportation	4,952
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	4,439
Telecommunications	4,430
Utilities	4,362
Securities & Other Financial Investments	4,351
Paper Manufacturing	4,091
Ambulatory Health Care Services	4,008
Merchant Wholesalers, Durable Goods	3,636

Eastern Workforce Investment Area

Wholesale Electronic Markets and Agents and Brokers	5,129
Heavy and Civil Engineering Construction	4,795
Chemical Manufacturing	4,569
Utilities	3,933
Telecommunications	3,663
Beverage and Tobacco Product Manufacturing	3,636
Fabricated Metal Product Manufacturing	3,515
Transportation Equipment Manufacturing	3,244
Merchant Wholesalers, Durable Goods	3,164
Truck Transportation	3,015

City of Little Rock Workforce Investment Area

Securities & Other Financial Investments	7,657
Utilities	6,385
Air Transportation	6,049
Wholesale Electronic Markets and Agents and Brokers	5,208
Telecommunications	5,152
ISP's, Web Search Portals, and Data Processing Services	4,981
Ambulatory Health Care Services	4,910
Transportation Equipment Manufacturing	4,686
Pipeline Transportation	4,519
Construction of Buildings	4,457

North Central Workforce Investment Area

Chemical Manufacturing	4,768
Wholesale Electronic Markets and Agents and Brokers	4,495
Utilities	3,973
Telecommunications	3,874
Ambulatory Health Care Services	3,648
Primary Metal Manufacturing	3,159
Support Activities for Transportation	3,123
Mining (except Oil and Gas)	3,117
Electrical Equipment, Appliance, and Component Manufacturing	3,075
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	2,904

Northeast Workforce Investment Area

Wholesale Electronic Markets and Agents and Brokers	5,531
Securities & Other Financial Investments	5,442
Primary Metal Manufacturing	4,672
Telecommunications	4,346
Ambulatory Health Care Services	3,938
Utilities	3,840
Management of Companies and Enterprises	3,565
Support Activities for Transportation	3,513
Paper Manufacturing	3,454
Chemical Manufacturing	3,300

Northwest Workforce Investment Area

Wholesale Electronic Markets and Agents and Brokers	6,647
Securities & Other Financial Investments	5,151
Telecommunications	4,283
Textile Product Mills	4,116
Utilities	4,059
Ambulatory Health Care Services	4,044
Merchant Wholesalers, Durable Goods	3,722
Truck Transportation	3,693
Management of Companies and Enterprises	3,532
Textile Mills	3,506

Southeast Workforce Investment Area

Wholesale Electronic Markets and Agents and Brokers	5,979
Utilities	5,147
Securities & Other Financial Investments	4,652
Pipeline Transportation	4,483
Paper Manufacturing	4,387
Telecommunications	3,757
Management of Companies and Enterprises	3,668
Wood Product Manufacturing	3,658
Support Activities for Transportation	3,618
Chemical Manufacturing	3,545

Southwest Workforce Investment Area

Management of Companies and Enterprises	6,138
Wholesale Electronic Markets and Agents and Brokers	5,783
Pipeline Transportation	5,182
Telecommunications	4,663
Petroleum and Coal Products Manufacturing	4,590
Chemical Manufacturing	4,546
Utilities	4,301
Nonmetallic Mineral Product Manufacturing	4,279
Plastics and Rubber Products Manufacturing	4,234
Paper Manufacturing	4,169

West Central Workforce Investment Area

Wholesale Electronic Markets and Agents and Brokers	6,446
Utilities	6,399
Securities & Other Financial Investments	4,829
Pipeline Transportation	4,602
Telecommunications	4,330
Paper Manufacturing	4,019
Management of Companies and Enterprises	3,706
Mining (except Oil and Gas)	3,686
Waste Management and Remediation Services	3,522
Ambulatory Health Care Services	3,483

Western Workforce Investment Area

ISP's, Web Search Portals, and Data Processing Services	6,410
Oil and Gas Extraction	5,990
Securities & Other Financial Investments	4,988
Primary Metal Manufacturing	4,551
Management of Companies and Enterprises	4,526
Wholesale Electronic Markets and Agents and Brokers	4,444
Support Activities for Mining	4,279
Beverage and Tobacco Product Manufacturing	4,037
Telecommunications	3,990
Ambulatory Health Care Services	3,883

Source: U.S. Census Bureau and Arkansas Department of Workforce Services, Local Employment Dynamics Program, 2006

Industry Focus - Local Industry

Top 10 Industries by Growth in Average Monthly Earnings for All Workers

2005Q1 - 2005Q4

Central Workforce Investment Area

Wholesale Electronic Markets and Agents and Brokers
 Performing Arts, Spectator Sports, and Related Industries
 Securities & Other Financial Investments
 Utilities
 Private Households
 Construction of Buildings
 Nonmetallic Mineral Product Manufacturing
 Heavy and Civil Engineering Construction
 Motion Picture and Sound Recording Industries
 Couriers and Messengers

Eastern Workforce Investment Area

Transportation Equipment Manufacturing
 Heavy and Civil Engineering Construction
 Fabricated Metal Product Manufacturing
 Insurance Carriers and Related Activities
 Nonmetallic Mineral Product Manufacturing
 Truck Transportation
 Plastics and Rubber Products Manufacturing
 Utilities
 Wholesale Electronic Markets and Agents and Brokers
 Administrative and Support Services

City of Little Rock Workforce Investment Area

Fabricated Metal Product Manufacturing
 Wholesale Electronic Markets and Agents and Brokers
 Nonmetallic Mineral Product Manufacturing
 Construction of Buildings
 Miscellaneous Manufacturing
 Food Manufacturing
 Chemical Manufacturing
 Specialty Trade Contractors
 Plastics and Rubber Products Manufacturing
 Support Activities for Transportation

North Central Workforce Investment Area

Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services
 Heavy and Civil Engineering Construction
 Utilities
 Crop Production
 Specialty Trade Contractors
 Support Activities for Transportation
 Mining (except Oil and Gas)
 Credit Intermediation and Related Activities
 Electrical Equipment, Appliance, and Component Manufacturing
 Ambulatory Health Care Services

Northeast Workforce Investment Area

Wholesale Electronic Markets and Agents and Brokers
 Animal Production
 Support Activities for Transportation
 Leather and Allied Product Manufacturing
 Management of Companies and Enterprises
 Paper Manufacturing
 Construction of Buildings
 Chemical Manufacturing
 Primary Metal Manufacturing
 Heavy and Civil Engineering Construction

Northwest Workforce Investment Area

703 ISP's, Web Search Portals, and Data Processing Services 936
 680 Construction of Buildings 773
 577 Support Activities for Agriculture and Forestry 440
 420 Textile Mills 410
 336 Wholesale Electronic Markets and Agents and Brokers 360
 296 Funds, Trusts, and Other Financial Vehicles 337
 276 Paper Manufacturing 317
 272 Beverage and Tobacco Product Manufacturing 315
 271 Machinery Manufacturing 280
 256 Furniture and Related Product Manufacturing 265

Southeast Workforce Investment Area

2,611 Heavy and Civil Engineering Construction 880
 2,317 Miscellaneous Manufacturing 424
 870 Support Activities for Agriculture and Forestry 410
 785 Transportation Equipment Manufacturing 384
 415 Utilities 316
 400 Nonmetallic Mineral Product Manufacturing 247
 310 Miscellaneous Store Retailers 240
 308 Support Activities for Transportation 201
 299 Merchant Wholesalers, Nondurable Goods 200
 274 Merchant Wholesalers, Durable Goods 186

Southwest Workforce Investment Area

1,044 Furniture and Related Product Manufacturing 1,320
 721 Telecommunications 752
 481 Support Activities for Transportation 656
 467 Miscellaneous Manufacturing 598
 455 Support Activities for Mining 593
 383 Utilities 510
 351 Hospitals 399
 335 Support Activities for Agriculture and Forestry 392
 313 Forestry and Logging 340
 286 Ambulatory Health Care Services 310

West Central Workforce Investment Area

615 Utilities 1,428
 585 Heavy and Civil Engineering Construction 747
 457 Securities & Other Financial Investments 599
 289 Mining (except Oil and Gas) 524
 264 Broadcasting (except Internet) 339
 219 Petroleum and Coal Products Manufacturing 330
 214 Forestry and Logging 306
 167 Personal and Laundry Services 273
 147 Religious, Grantmaking, Civic, Professional, and Similar Organizations 271
 130 Electrical Equipment, Appliance, and Component Manufacturing 239

Western Workforce Investment Area

2,037 Oil and Gas Extraction 1,452
 1,534 Management of Companies and Enterprises 1,186
 514 Chemical Manufacturing 593
 461 ISP's, Web Search Portals, and Data Processing Services 518
 307 Securities & Other Financial Investments 463
 298 Machinery Manufacturing 402
 266 Construction of Buildings 371
 242 Computer and Electronic Product Manufacturing 349
 238 Support Activities for Mining 333
 237 Miscellaneous Manufacturing 292

Source: U.S. Census Bureau and Arkansas Department of Workforce Services, Local Employment Dynamics Program, 2006

Industry Focus - Local Industry

Top 10 Industries by Average Monthly Earnings for New Hires

2005Q1 - 2005Q4

Central Workforce Investment Area

Wholesale Electronic Markets and Agents and Brokers	4,255
Primary Metal Manufacturing	3,920
Paper Manufacturing	3,457
Pipeline Transportation	3,450
Chemical Manufacturing	3,297
Telecommunications	3,085
Securities & Other Financial Investments	2,810
Insurance Carriers and Related Activities	2,727
Mining (except Oil and Gas)	2,715
Utilities	2,680

Eastern Workforce Investment Area

Heavy and Civil Engineering Construction	5,040
Wholesale Electronic Markets and Agents and Brokers	4,204
Beverage and Tobacco Product Manufacturing	4,197
Chemical Manufacturing	3,368
Fabricated Metal Product Manufacturing	2,810
Insurance Carriers and Related Activities	2,718
Merchant Wholesalers, Nondurable Goods	2,465
Telecommunications	2,424
Truck Transportation	2,391
Credit Intermediation and Related Activities	2,307

City of Little Rock Workforce Investment Area

Utilities	4,850
Securities & Other Financial Investments	3,991
Wholesale Electronic Markets and Agents and Brokers	3,888
Air Transportation	3,742
ISP's, Web Search Portals, and Data Processing Services	3,628
Computer and Electronic Product Manufacturing	3,615
Transportation Equipment Manufacturing	3,539
Construction of Buildings	3,428
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	3,413
Plastics and Rubber Products Manufacturing	3,298

North Central Workforce Investment Area

Wholesale Electronic Markets and Agents and Brokers	3,518
Heavy and Civil Engineering Construction	2,576
Ambulatory Health Care Services	2,436
Hospitals	2,359
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	2,313
Telecommunications	2,288
Support Activities for Transportation	2,268
Computer and Electronic Product Manufacturing	2,109
Electrical Equipment, Appliance, and Component Manufacturing	2,011
Primary Metal Manufacturing	1,997

Northeast Workforce Investment Area

Wholesale Electronic Markets and Agents and Brokers	3,835
Insurance Carriers and Related Activities	3,220
Telecommunications	3,043
Management of Companies and Enterprises	2,862
Truck Transportation	2,618
Utilities	2,577
Merchant Wholesalers, Durable Goods	2,556
Chemical Manufacturing	2,532
Food Manufacturing	2,425
Support Activities for Transportation	2,366

Northwest Workforce Investment Area

Wholesale Electronic Markets and Agents and Brokers	5,788
ISP's, Web Search Portals, and Data Processing Services	3,310
Telecommunications	3,107
Utilities	3,035
Hospitals	2,991
Textile Mills	2,973
Chemical Manufacturing	2,951
Machinery Manufacturing	2,920
Merchant Wholesalers, Durable Goods	2,846
Ambulatory Health Care Services	2,658

Southeast Workforce Investment Area

Wholesale Electronic Markets and Agents and Brokers	5,219
Chemical Manufacturing	4,541
Utilities	4,145
Heavy and Civil Engineering Construction	3,760
Pipeline Transportation	3,235
Paper Manufacturing	3,001
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	2,446
Merchant Wholesalers, Durable Goods	2,402
Credit Intermediation and Related Activities	2,316
Ambulatory Health Care Services	2,251

Southwest Workforce Investment Area

Wholesale Electronic Markets and Agents and Brokers	4,657
Management of Companies and Enterprises	3,990
Utilities	3,734
Support Activities for Mining	3,287
Pipeline Transportation	3,262
Oil and Gas Extraction	3,158
Nonmetallic Mineral Product Manufacturing	3,031
Chemical Manufacturing	3,004
Truck Transportation	2,856
Hospitals	2,714

West Central Workforce Investment Area

Wholesale Electronic Markets and Agents and Brokers	4,725
Utilities	4,269
Paper Manufacturing	3,822
Pipeline Transportation	3,167
Primary Metal Manufacturing	2,825
Heavy and Civil Engineering Construction	2,785
Electrical Equipment, Appliance, and Component Manufacturing	2,668
Waste Management and Remediation Services	2,650
Mining (except Oil and Gas)	2,557
Ambulatory Health Care Services	2,509

Western Workforce Investment Area

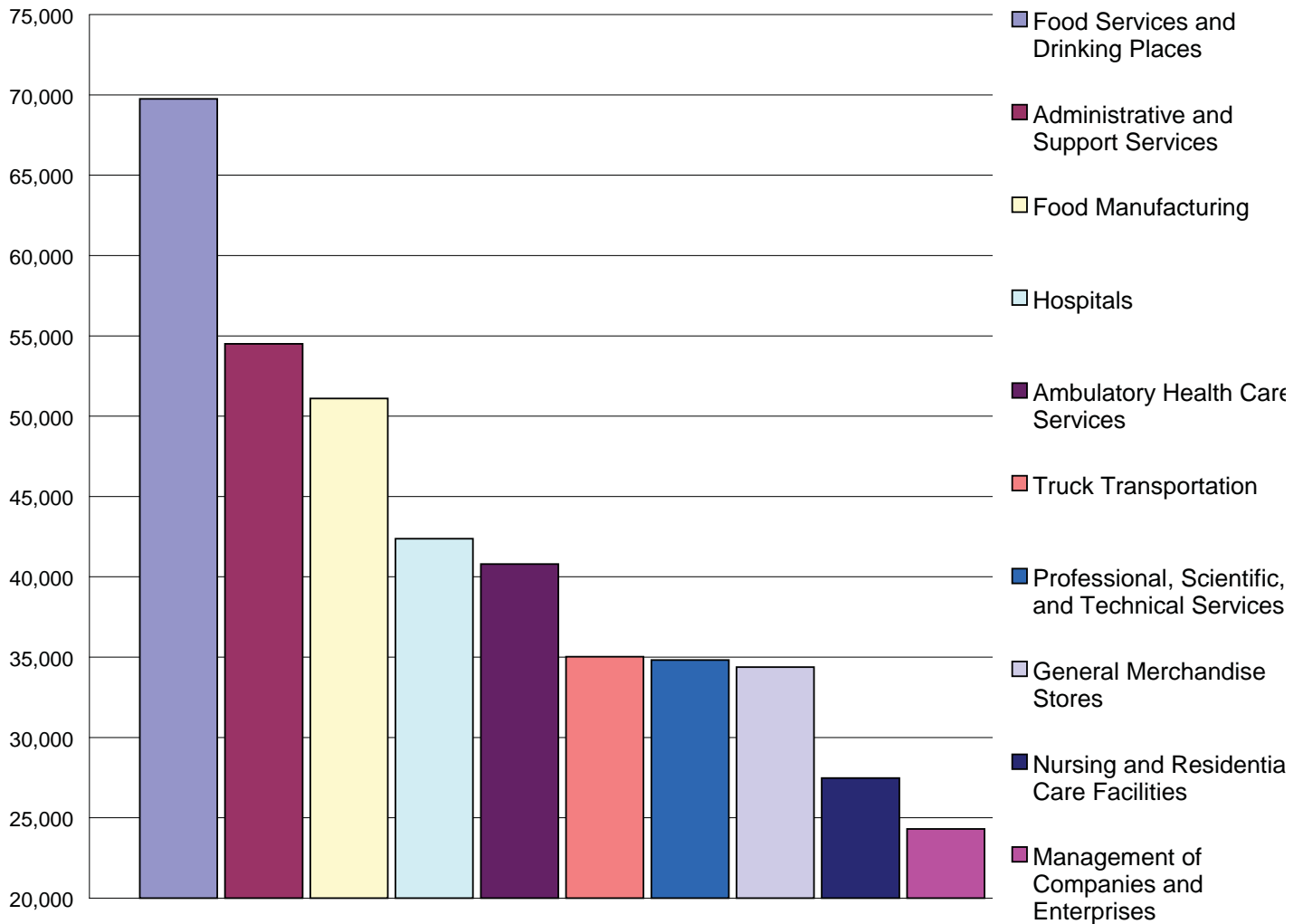
Oil and Gas Extraction	5,259
Support Activities for Mining	3,332
Wholesale Electronic Markets and Agents and Brokers	3,321
Paper Manufacturing	3,104
Utilities	2,846
Telecommunications	2,761
Primary Metal Manufacturing	2,696
Beverage and Tobacco Product Manufacturing	2,625
Insurance Carriers and Related Activities	2,607
Management of Companies and Enterprises	2,603

Source: U.S. Census Bureau and Arkansas Department of Workforce Services, Local Employment Dynamics Program, 2006

Industry Focus - State Industry

Top 10 Industries by Greatest Employment

(2005Q1, 2005Q4)



Source: U.S. Census Bureau and Arkansas Department of Workforce Services, Local Employment Dynamics Program, 2006

Top 10 Industries by Growth in Employment

(2004Q4, 2005Q4)

Industry	Percent Growth
Funds, Trusts, and Other Financial Vehicles	16.4%
Publishing Industries (except Internet)	16.4%
Support Activities for Mining	15.5%
Textile Mills	13.1%
Air Transportation	12.2%
Educational Services	11.9%
Heavy and Civil Engineering Construction	10.6%
Nonmetallic Mineral Product Manufacturing	9.6%
Oil and Gas Extraction	9.5%
Merchant Wholesalers, Nondurable Goods	9.4%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau and Arkansas Department of Workforce Services, Local Employment Dynamics Program, 2006

Industry Focus - State Industry

Top 10 Industries by Growth in Hiring

(2004Q4, 2005Q4)

	No. of Hires
Administrative and Support Services	1,751
Food Manufacturing	864
Heavy and Civil Engineering Construction	833
Food Services and Drinking Places	704
Transportation Equipment Manufacturing	531
Machinery Manufacturing	381
Ambulatory Health Care Services	319
Support Activities for Mining	311
Credit Intermediation and Related Activities	284
General Merchandise Stores	271

Source: U.S. Census Bureau and Arkansas Department of Workforce Services, Local Employment Dynamics Program, 2006

Top 10 Industries by Number of New Hires

(2005Q1, 2005Q4)

	No. of New Hires
Administrative and Support Services	11,727
Food Services and Drinking Places	11,005
Food Manufacturing	6,962
Hospitals	4,419
Nursing and Residential Care Facilities	4,166
Truck Transportation	4,074
General Merchandise Stores	3,799
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	3,444
Ambulatory Health Care Services	3,264
Social Assistance	2,144

Source: U.S. Census Bureau and Arkansas Department of Workforce Services, Local Employment Dynamics Program, 2006

Top 10 Industries by Firm Job Change

(2005Q1, 2005Q4)

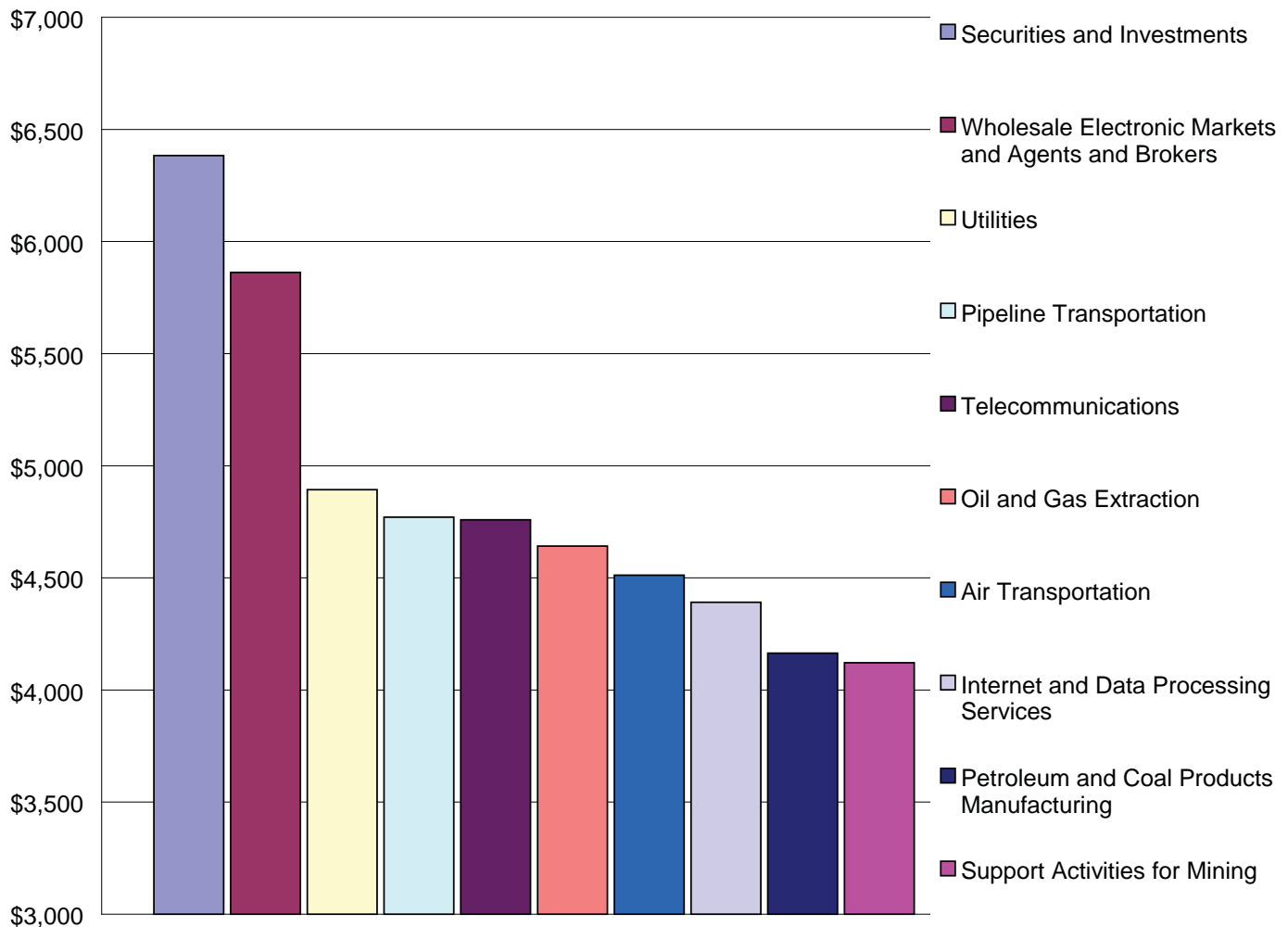
	No. of Jobs
Administrative and Support Services	6,744
Food Manufacturing	4,435
Food Services and Drinking Places	2,187
Nursing and Residential Care Facilities	1,777
Hospitals	1,710
General Merchandise Stores	1,426
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	1,322
Insurance Carriers and Related Activities	1,128
Ambulatory Health Care Services	853
Management of Companies and Enterprises	850

Source: U.S. Census Bureau and Arkansas Department of Workforce Services, Local Employment Dynamics Program, 2006

Industry Focus – State Industry

Top 10 Industries by Average Monthly Earnings for All Workers

(2005Q1, 2005Q4)



Source: US Census Bureau and Arkansas Department of Workforce Services, Local Employment Dynamics Program, 2006

Top 10 Industries by Growth in Average Monthly Earnings for All Workers

(2004Q4, 2005Q4)

Industry	Earnings Growth
Wholesale Electronic Markets and Agents and Brokers	\$796
Oil and Gas Extraction	\$727
Heavy and Civil Engineering Construction	\$546
Construction of Buildings	\$410
Utilities	\$397
Support Activities for Mining	\$391
Internet Service Providers, Web Search Portals, and Data Processing Services	\$301
Funds, Trusts and Other Financial Vehicles	\$270
Petroleum and Coal Products Manufacturing	\$254
Forestry and Logging	\$227

Source: US Census Bureau and Arkansas Department of Workforce Services, Local Employment Dynamics Program, 2006

Industry Focus – State Industry

Top 10 Industries by Average Monthly Earnings for New Hires

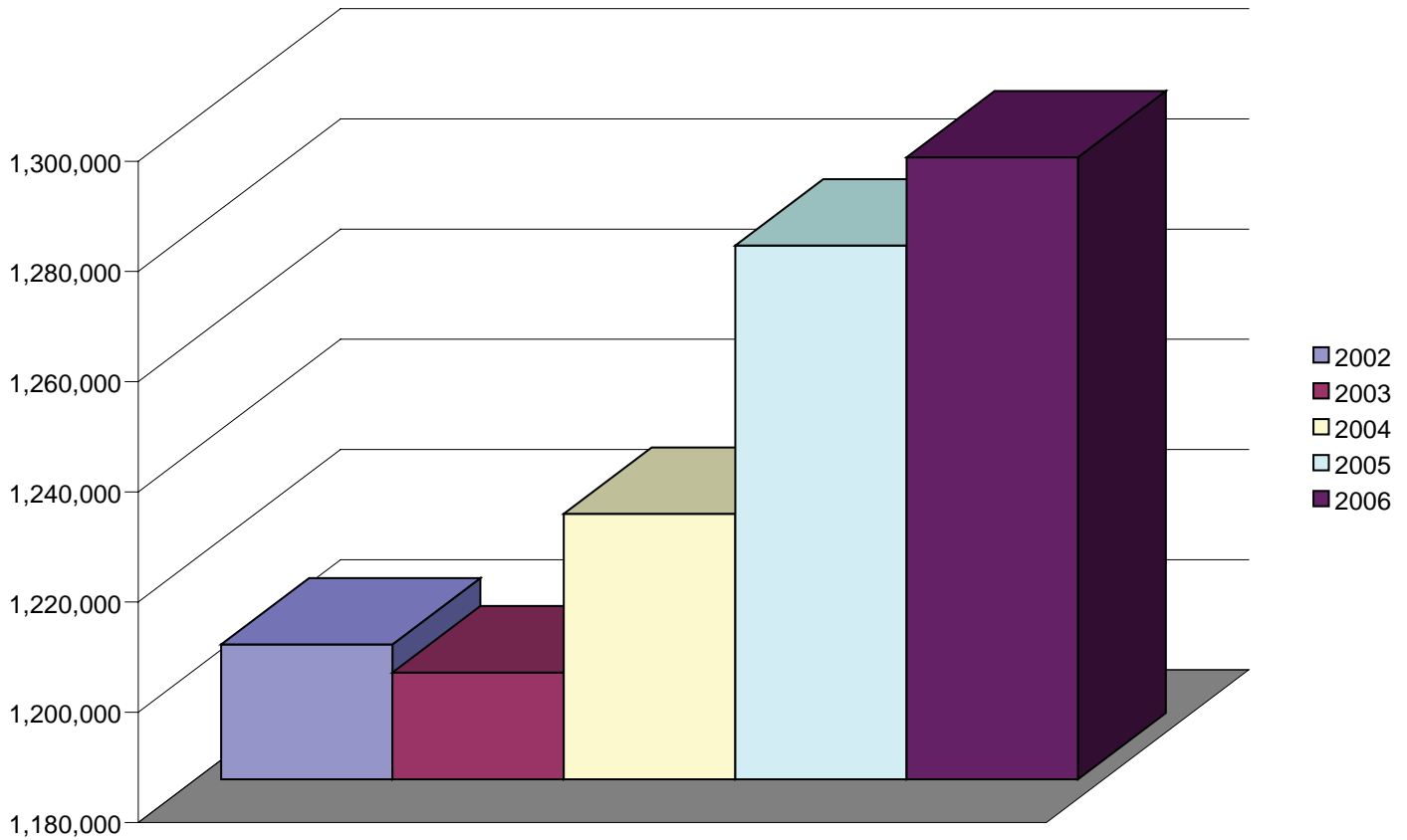
(2005Q1, 2005Q4)

	Earnings
Wholesale Electronic Markets and Agents and Brokers	\$4,657
Utilities	\$3,365
Support Activities for Mining	\$3,333
Pipeline Transportation	\$3,308
Securities and Other Investments	\$3,260
Oil and Gas Extraction	\$3,190
Heavy and Civil Engineering Construction	\$3,180
Chemical Manufacturing	\$3,088
Telecommunications	\$3,049
Insurance Carriers and Related Activities	\$3,028

Source: U.S. Census Bureau and Arkansas Department of Workforce Services, Local Employment Dynamics Program, 2006

Local Employment Dynamics – Employment Statistics

Arkansas Annual Employment



Source: Arkansas Department of Workforce Services, Unemployment Rates and Labor Force Statistics

Arkansas Metropolitan Statistical Area Annual Employment

MSA/ YEAR	Employment					Change
	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	
Fayetteville-Springdale-Rogers	186,000	190,200	198,875	213,750	218,925	17.7%
Fort Smith	122,175	121,675	124,300	128,975	131,550	7.6%
Hot Springs	36,200	36,775	38,175	39,600	40,250	11.2%
Jonesboro	50,850	50,950	52,375	53,700	54,475	7.1%
Little Rock-North Little Rock-Conway	296,900	297,050	307,300	319,125	322,925	8.8%
Pine Bluff	41,250	41,350	42,300	43,150	42,350	2.7%

Source: Arkansas Department of Workforce Services, Unemployment Rates and Labor Force Statistics

Local Employment Dynamics – Employment Statistics

Arkansas Counties Annual Employment

COUNTY	Employment					COUNTY	Employment				
	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006		2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Arkansas	9,850	10,150	10,200	10,525	10,675	Lee	3,400	3,250	3,075	3,050	3,125
Ashley	9,425	9,075	8,775	8,850	8,950	Lincoln	4,650	4,675	4,750	4,850	4,775
Baxter	15,150	14,900	15,425	16,275	16,575	Little River	6,225	6,100	6,125	6,225	6,250
Benton	82,200	84,925	89,775	97,075	99,350	Logan	9,300	9,400	9,400	9,600	9,850
Boone	15,250	15,150	15,275	15,900	16,250	Lonoke	25,825	26,225	27,725	29,450	29,800
Bradley	5,050	5,100	5,125	5,075	5,200	Madison	6,925	6,900	7,125	7,550	7,725
Calhoun	2,400	2,350	2,425	2,500	2,475	Marion	6,075	6,100	6,175	6,450	6,600
Carroll	12,750	12,625	12,725	12,950	13,275	Miller	17,450	17,350	17,950	18,800	18,800
Chicot	4,775	4,650	4,375	4,400	4,475	Mississippi	19,050	17,850	17,775	18,475	19,175
Clark	10,575	10,450	10,425	10,375	10,425	Monroe	3,725	3,675	3,550	3,600	3,500
Clay	7,175	6,900	6,725	6,500	6,375	Montgomery	3,925	4,025	4,000	4,125	4,200
Cleburne	10,400	10,300	10,500	11,075	11,025	Nevada	4,350	4,275	4,100	4,150	4,175
Cleveland	3,675	3,725	3,875	4,025	3,950	Newton	3,400	3,425	3,350	3,425	3,500
Columbia	10,375	10,000	10,100	10,400	10,525	Ouachita	11,425	11,150	11,475	11,725	11,600
Conway	9,125	9,025	8,900	9,175	9,400	Perry	4,525	4,450	4,575	4,725	4,775
Craighead	40,375	40,550	41,850	42,975	43,600	Phillips	8,575	8,400	8,200	8,050	8,050
Crawford	24,025	23,950	24,900	26,275	26,750	Pike	5,075	4,925	4,850	4,925	5,075
Crittenden	20,175	19,925	20,350	21,075	21,150	Poinsett	10,475	10,400	10,525	10,725	10,875
Cross	8,075	8,050	7,875	7,875	7,875	Polk	8,050	7,950	7,925	8,275	8,425
Dallas	3,525	3,525	3,500	3,600	3,700	Pope	25,300	25,075	26,025	28,275	28,525
Desha	5,750	5,625	5,500	5,575	5,600	Prairie	4,250	4,225	4,125	4,050	4,150
Drew	7,825	7,850	7,950	7,950	7,775	Pulaski	173,325	172,075	176,350	181,600	183,775
Faulkner	44,350	45,275	47,450	49,750	50,350	Randolph	7,675	7,100	7,075	7,275	7,325
Franklin	7,700	7,600	7,800	8,175	8,325	St. Francis	9,975	9,825	9,675	9,900	9,775
Fulton	4,525	4,675	4,675	4,825	4,850	Saline	41,225	41,375	43,225	45,350	45,875
Garland	36,200	36,775	38,175	39,600	40,250	Scott	4,650	4,500	4,350	4,475	4,650
Grant	7,650	7,650	7,975	8,250	8,350	Searcy	3,175	3,200	3,150	3,250	3,350
Greene	15,975	16,000	16,750	17,700	17,850	Sebastian	53,925	53,375	54,625	57,175	58,225
Hempstead	10,675	10,500	10,200	10,300	10,350	Sevier	7,050	7,075	7,175	7,350	7,375
Hot Spring	13,225	13,300	13,750	14,375	14,750	Sharp	5,950	5,850	5,975	6,100	6,125
Howard	6,200	6,150	6,000	5,900	6,100	Stone	4,200	4,150	4,125	4,225	4,500
Independence	15,950	15,950	16,300	16,800	16,700	Union	20,150	18,175	18,325	18,775	18,575
Izard	4,825	4,800	4,850	4,925	5,075	Van Buren	6,450	6,325	6,450	6,600	6,725
Jackson	7,150	7,100	7,125	7,150	7,225	Washington	85,800	87,175	90,775	97,600	99,900
Jefferson	32,925	32,950	33,675	34,275	33,625	White	28,775	28,875	29,825	30,475	30,700
Johnson	9,975	10,100	10,250	10,475	10,500	Woodruff	3,725	3,425	3,150	3,150	3,200
Lafayette	3,275	3,175	3,050	2,975	2,900	Yell	9,375	9,300	9,475	10,225	10,300
Lawrence	7,325	7,075	6,950	6,975	7,000						

Source: Arkansas Department of Workforce Services, Unemployment Rates and Labor Force Statistics

Local Employment Dynamics – Quarterly Workforce Indicators

State Industry by Percent Growth

Top 10 Industries by Total Employment Percent Growth

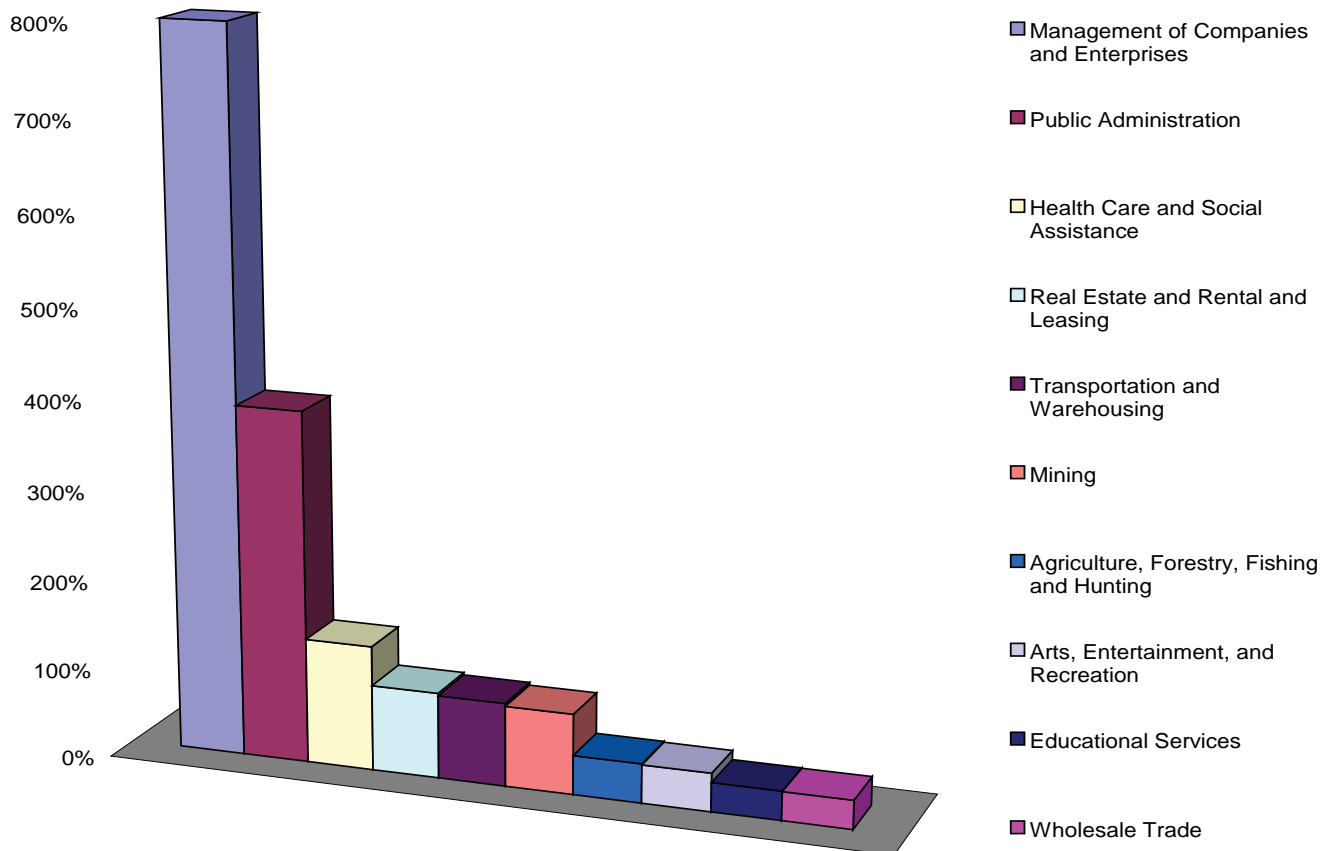
(2005Q1, 2006Q1)

Industry	Percent Change
Mining	19.0%
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	9.8%
Accommodation and Food Services	7.9%
Manufacturing	7.3%
Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services	6.9%
Finance and Insurance	6.5%
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	6.1%
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	5.9%
Construction	5.7%
Educational Services	5.5%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau and Arkansas Department of Workforce Services, Local Employment Dynamics Program, 2006

Top 10 Industries by Net Job Flows Percent Growth

(2005Q1, 2006Q1)



Source: U.S. Census Bureau and Arkansas Department of Workforce Services, Local Employment Dynamics Program, 2006

Local Employment Dynamics – Quarterly Workforce Indicators

State Industry by Percent Growth

Top 10 Industries by Job Creation Percent Growth

(2005Q1, 2006Q1)

Industry	Percent Growth
Utilities	461.7%
Public Administration	134.9%
Health Care and Social Assistance	116.8%
Transportation and Warehousing	97.4%
Mining	96.5%
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	58.4%
Educational Services	40.0%
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	29.4%
Other Services (except Public Administration)	26.8%
Wholesale Trade	26.0%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau and Arkansas Department of Workforce Services, Local Employment Dynamics Program, 2006

Top 10 Industries by New Hires Percent Growth

(2005Q1, 2006Q1)

Industry	Percent Growth
Mining	70.4%
Utilities	43.8%
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	41.7%
Health Care and Social Assistance	28.2%
Public Administration	26.5%
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	23.6%
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	18.6%
Accommodation and Food Services	16.7%
Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services	16.4%
Wholesale Trade	13.1%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau and Arkansas Department of Workforce Services, Local Employment Dynamics Program, 2006

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State Industry by Percent Growth

Top 10 Industries by Separations Percent Growth

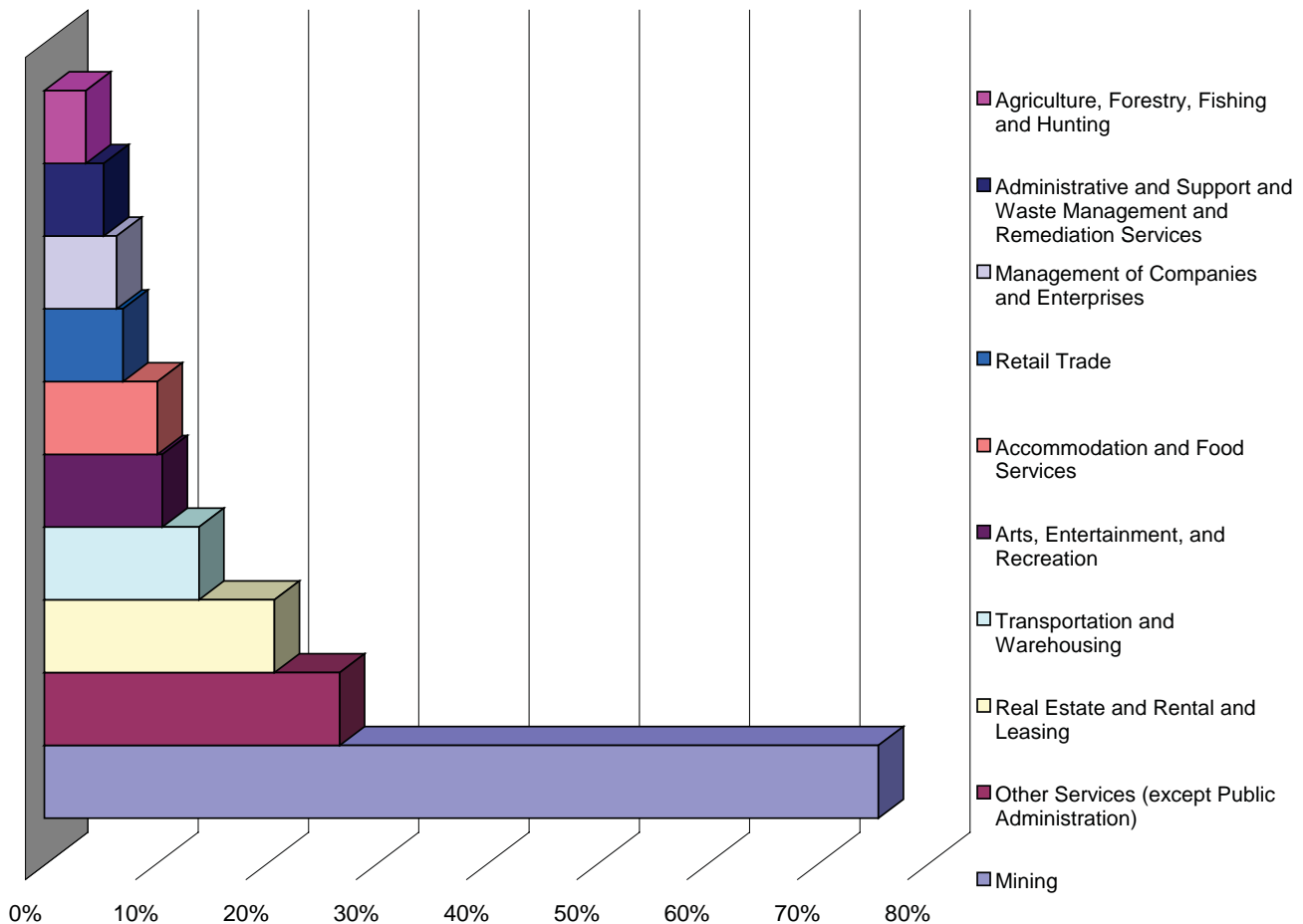
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Industry	Percent Growth
Mining	69.2%
Management of Companies and Enterprises	51.9%
Health Care and Social Assistance	32.9%
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	30.9%
Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services	27.2%
Transportation and Warehousing	25.3%
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	23.7%
Accommodation and Food Services	21.8%
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	20.9%
Retail Trade	19.8%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau and Arkansas Department of Workforce Services, Local Employment Dynamics Program, 2006

Top 10 Industries by Turnover Percent Growth

(2005Q1, 2006Q1)



Source: U.S. Census Bureau and Arkansas Department of Workforce Services, Local Employment Dynamics Program, 2006

Local Employment Dynamics – Quarterly Workforce Indicators

State Industry by Percent Growth

Top 10 Industries by All Workers Average Monthly Earnings Percent Growth

(2005Q1, 2006Q1)

Industry	Percent Growth
Public Administration	12.8%
Wholesale Trade	11.0%
Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services	11.0%
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	10.5%
Other Services (except Public Administration)	9.8%
Mining	9.4%
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	9.0%
Retail Trade	8.8%
Health Care and Social Assistance	8.0%
Accommodation and Food Services	8.0%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau and Arkansas Department of Workforce Services, Local Employment Dynamics Program, 2006

Top 10 Industries by New Hires Average Earning Percent Growth

(2005Q1, 2006Q1)

Industry	Percent Growth
Information	47.6%
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	33.1%
Mining	29.1%
Wholesale Trade	24.3%
Other Services (except Public Administration)	17.1%
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	13.2%
Retail Trade	13.0%
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	12.7%
Public Administration	12.3%
Accommodation and Food Services	12.1%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau and Arkansas Department of Workforce Services, Local Employment Dynamics Program, 2006

Local Employment Dynamics – Quarterly Workforce Indicators

Top 10 Counties by Percent Growth

(2005Q1, 2006Q1)

Total Employment Percent Growth		Separations Percent Growth	
Lincoln	37.7%	Little River	59.2%
Newton	11.9%	Cleveland	38.6%
Izard	11.0%	Logan	35.4%
Calhoun	10.7%	Sevier	31.9%
Pope	10.4%	Fulton	30.8%
Faulkner	8.9%	Boone	30.1%
Sebastian	8.6%	Phillips	29.8%
Prairie	8.5%	Montgomery	27.7%
Searcy	8.2%	Jackson	26.5%
Saline	8.0%	Pope	26.5%
Net Job Flows Percent Growth		Turnover Percent Growth	
Newton	5,100.0%	Little River	69.0%
Fulton	4,300.0%	Howard	53.4%
Independence	1,692.1%	Prairie	46.8%
Ouachita	1,438.1%	Sevier	40.6%
Calhoun	766.7%	Clay	30.3%
Cleburne	633.3%	Stone	27.4%
Yell	354.1%	Desha	25.4%
Boone	344.3%	Johnson	25.0%
Bradley	237.4%	Izard	24.2%
Mississippi	229.7%	Boone	23.0%
Job Creation Percent Growth		Average Monthly Earnings for All Workers Percent Growth	
Jefferson	70.2%	Lincoln	19.4%
Crittenden	70.1%	Miller	13.3%
Crawford	60.3%	Stone	11.8%
Logan	60.2%	Madison	11.8%
Clay	58.7%	Lee	11.4%
Lafayette	54.0%	Cleveland	11.4%
Lincoln	52.1%	Pike	11.1%
Cleveland	45.1%	Perry	10.4%
Baxter	45.1%	Jackson	10.0%
St. Francis	45.0%	Clay	10.0%
New Hires Percent Growth		Average Monthly Earnings for New Hires Percent Growth	
Lincoln	47.1%	Desha	56.3%
Logan	44.7%	Bradley	53.5%
Hempstead	35.1%	Independence	47.5%
Howard	31.2%	Nevada	43.7%
Ashley	28.0%	Pike	40.5%
Prairie	27.8%	Howard	40.2%
St. Francis	27.8%	Jackson	39.8%
Crittenden	26.4%	Prairie	36.3%
Perry	26.2%	Boone	33.6%
Hot Spring	26.1%	Sevier	32.2%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau and Arkansas Department of Workforce Services, Local Employment Dynamics Program, 2006

Local Employment Dynamics – Quarterly Workforce Indicators

Changes in Workforce Indicators

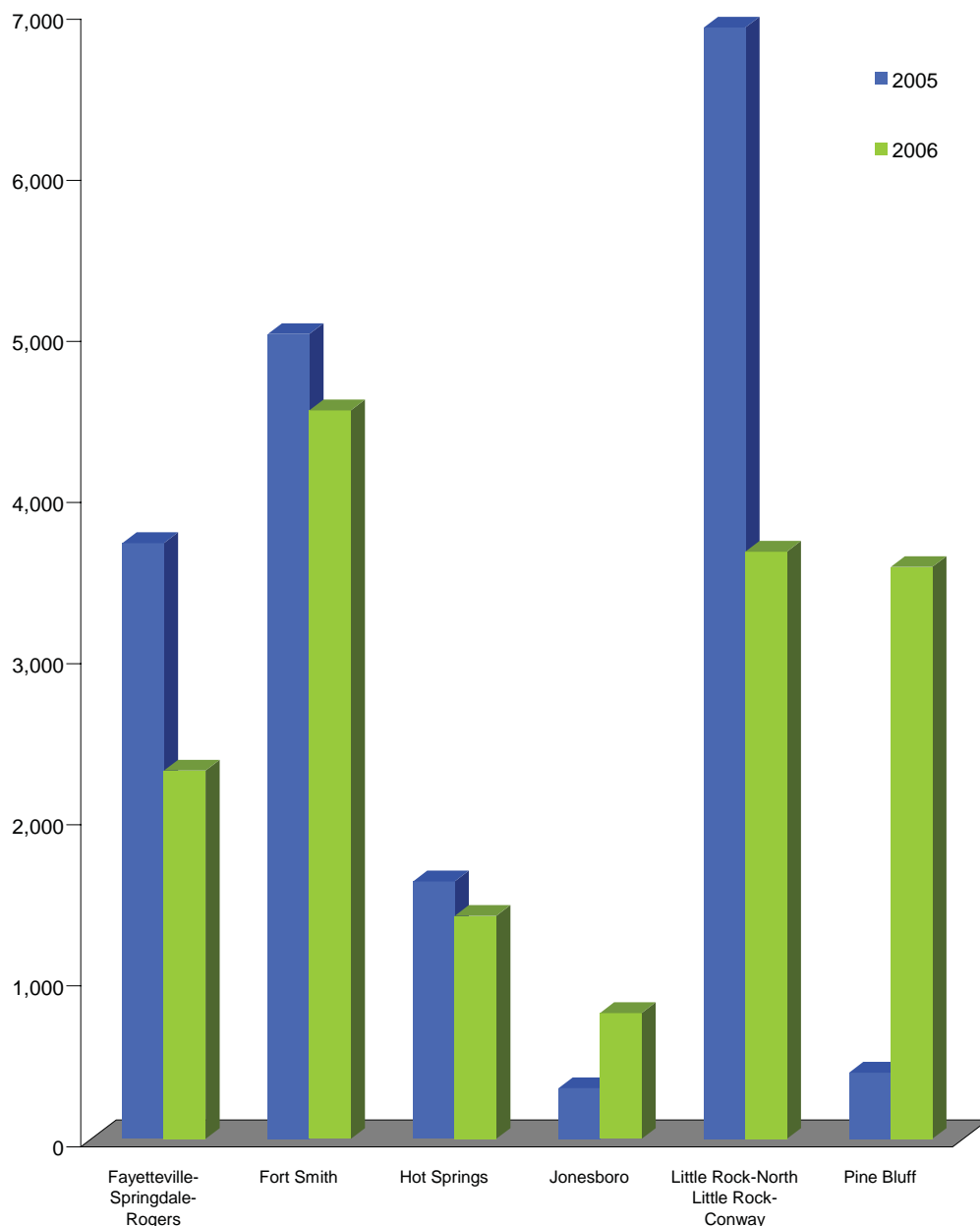
Total Employment for Metropolitan Statistical Areas

	Fayetteville-Springdale-Rogers	Fort Smith	Hot Springs	Jonesboro	Little Rock-North Little Rock-Conway	Pine Bluff
2005Q1	174,904	91,387	34,208	46,605	313,472	37,227
2006Q1	188,543	98,001	36,032	48,459	332,079	35,144

Source: U.S. Census Bureau and Arkansas Department of Workforce Services, Local Employment Dynamics Program, 2006

Net Job Flows for Metropolitan Statistical Areas

(2005Q1, 2006Q1)



Source: U.S. Census Bureau and Arkansas Department of Workforce Services, Local Employment Dynamics Program, 2006

Local Employment Dynamics – Quarterly Workforce Indicators

Changes in Workforce Indicators

Job Creation for Metropolitan Statistical Areas

	Fayetteville-Springdale-Rogers	Fort Smith	Hot Springs	Jonesboro	Little Rock-North Conway	Pine Bluff
2005Q1	10,181	8,315	2,810	2,158	17,820	1,598
2006Q1	10,578	9,745	3,306	3,003	20,276	5,064

Source: U.S. Census Bureau and Arkansas Department of Workforce Services, Local Employment Dynamics Program, 2006

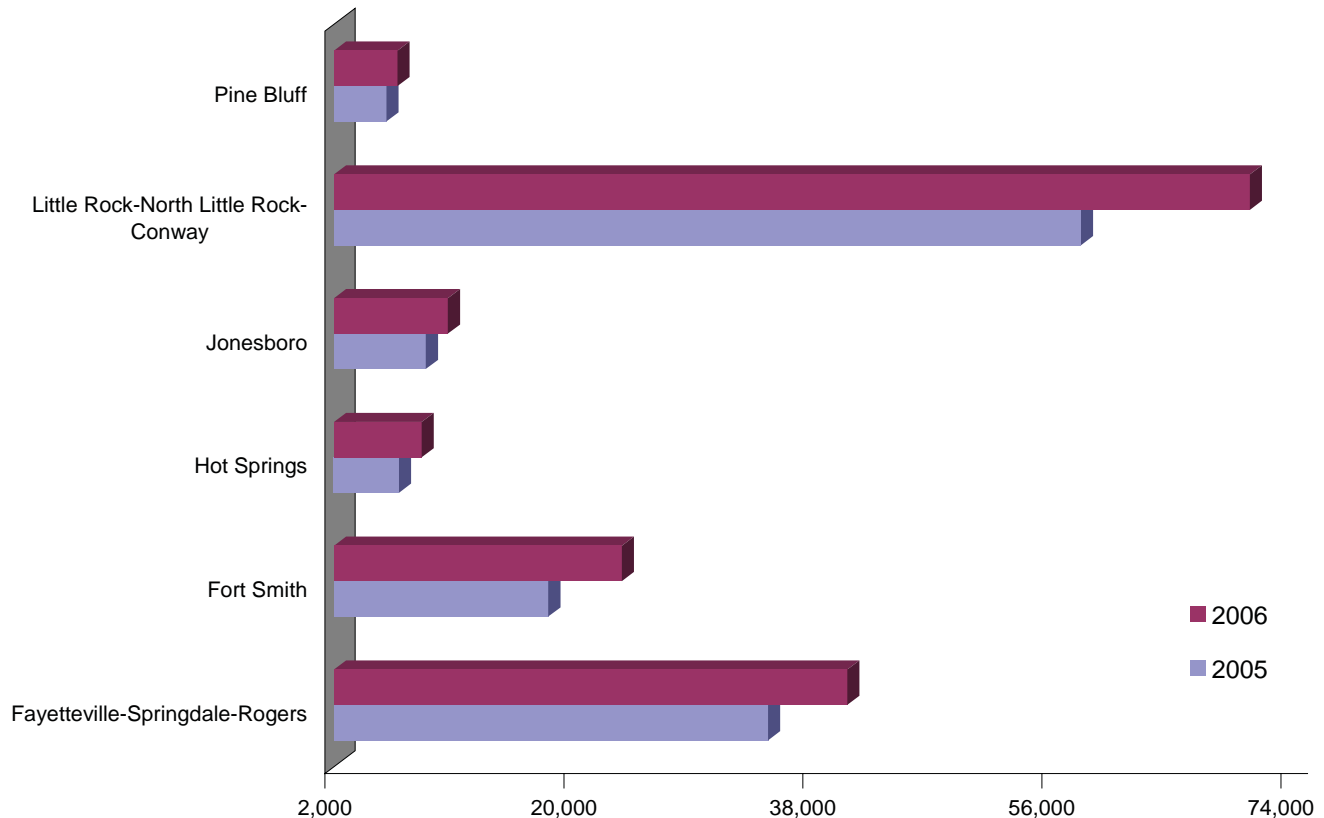
New Hires for Metropolitan Statistical Areas

	Fayetteville-Springdale-Rogers	Fort Smith	Hot Springs	Jonesboro	Little Rock-North Conway	Pine Bluff
2005Q1	34,667	20,575	7,050	8,013	57,253	5,361
2006Q1	37,308	21,023	8,155	9,664	63,605	6,208

Source: U.S. Census Bureau and Arkansas Department of Workforce Services, Local Employment Dynamics Program, 2006

Separations for Arkansas Metropolitan Statistical Areas

(2005Q1, 2006Q1)



Source: U.S. Census Bureau and Arkansas Department of Workforce Services, Local Employment Dynamics Program, 2006

Local Employment Dynamics – Quarterly Workforce Indicators

Changes in Workforce Indicators

Turnover for Metropolitan Statistical Areas

	Fayetteville- Springdale-Rogers	Fort Smith	Hot Springs	Jonesboro	Little Rock-North Conway	Little Rock-	Pine Bluff
2005Q1	11.90%	10.90%	10.20%	11.20%	10.20%		9.10%
2006Q1	11.20%	11.90%	11.80%	10.50%	10.40%		9.50%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau and Arkansas Department of Workforce Services, Local Employment Dynamics Program, 2006

Average Monthly Earnings for Metropolitan Statistical Areas

	Fayetteville- Springdale-Rogers	Fort Smith	Hot Springs	Jonesboro	Little Rock-North Conway	Little Rock-	Pine Bluff
2005Q1	\$2,882.00	\$2,538.00	\$2,228.00	\$2,421.00	\$2,880.00		\$2,433.00
2006Q1	\$3,042.00	\$2,708.00	\$2,402.00	\$2,614.00	\$3,100.00		\$2,631.00

Source: U.S. Census Bureau and Arkansas Department of Workforce Services, Local Employment Dynamics Program, 2006

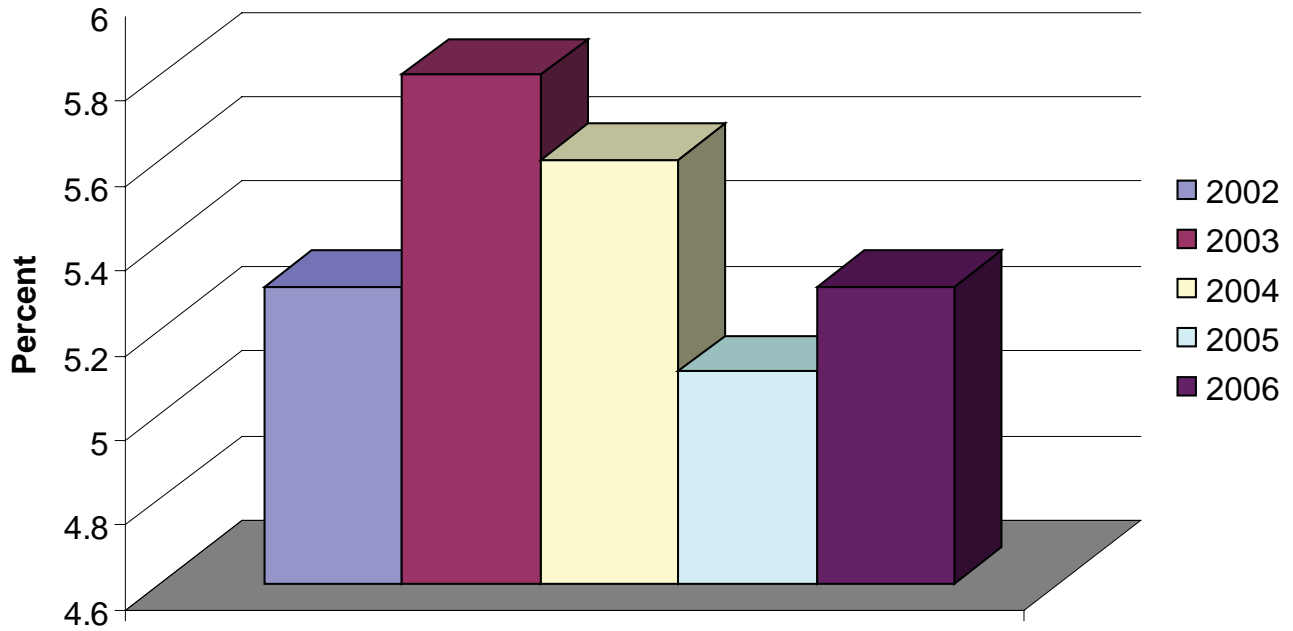
Average New Hire Earnings for Metropolitan Statistical Areas

	Fayetteville- Springdale-Rogers	Fort Smith	Hot Springs	Jonesboro	Little Rock-North Conway	Little Rock-	Pine Bluff
2005Q1	\$1,817.00	\$1,466.00	\$1,305.00	\$1,634.00	\$1,762.00		\$1,690.00
2006Q1	\$1,841.00	\$1,765.00	\$1,385.00	\$1,546.00	\$1,823.00		\$1,452.00

Source: U.S. Census Bureau and Arkansas Department of Workforce Services, Local Employment Dynamics Program, 2006

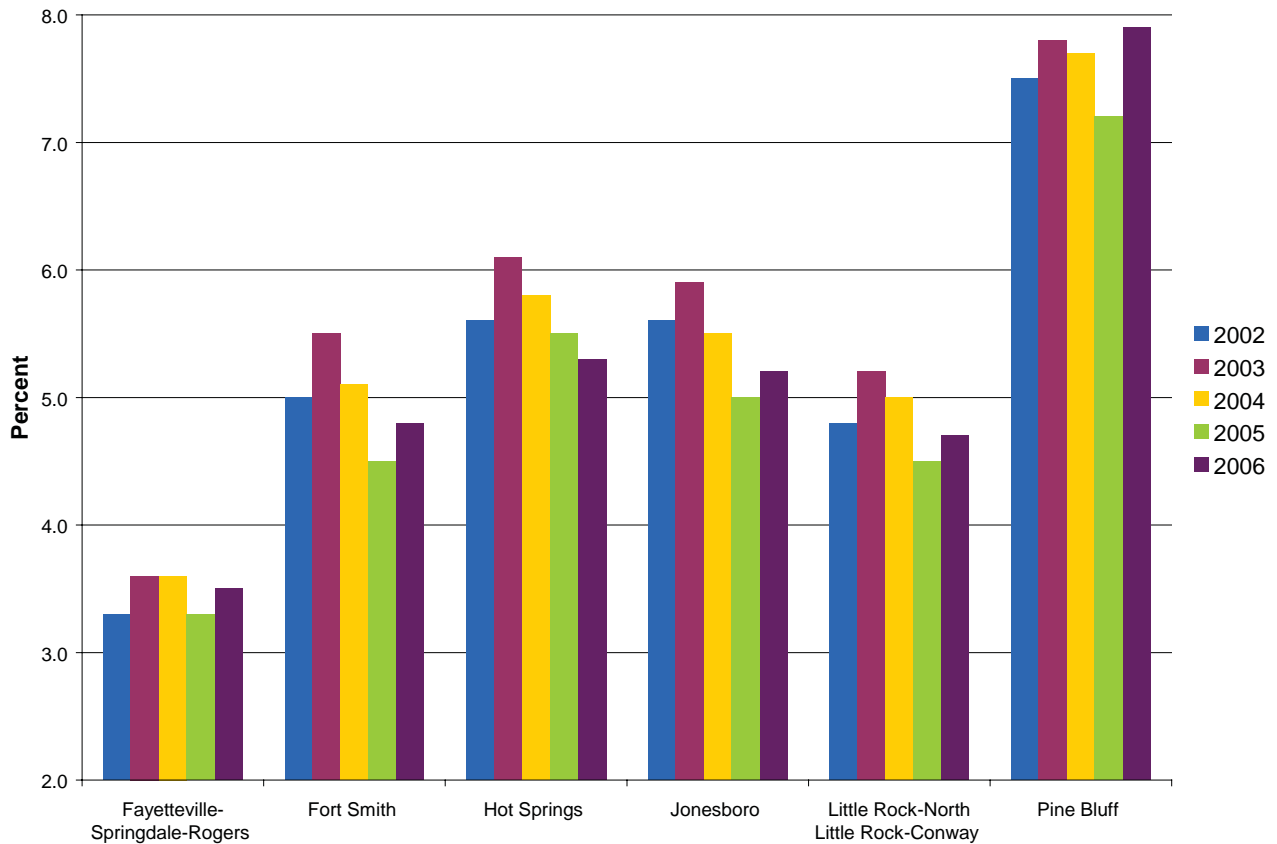
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Arkansas Annual Unemployment



Source: U.S. Census Bureau and Arkansas Department of Workforce Services, Local Employment Dynamics Program, 2006

Metropolitan Statistical Areas Annual Unemployment



Source: U.S. Census Bureau and Arkansas Department of Workforce Services, Local Employment Dynamics Program, 2006

Local Employment Dynamics – Unemployment Statistics

Arkansas Counties with Low Unemployment Percent

County	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Carroll	4.3	4.7	4.7	4.4	4.5
Faulkner	5.0	5.2	4.7	4.3	4.5
Saline	4.2	4.8	4.5	4.2	4.5
Scott	4.4	4.8	5.1	4.4	4.5
Franklin	4.8	4.8	4.8	4.2	4.3
Lonoke	4.2	4.7	4.4	4.3	4.3
Sevier	4.4	4.7	4.6	4.1	4.2
Madison	3.5	3.9	4.0	3.6	3.6
Washington	3.2	3.7	3.6	3.3	3.6
Benton	3.0	3.4	3.3	3.1	3.4

Source: Arkansas Department of Workforce Services, Unemployment Rates and Labor Force Statistics

Arkansas Counties with High Unemployment Percent

County	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Lee	9.1	11.7	11.5	10.3	9.9
Desha	8.8	9.0	9.1	8.5	9.5
St. Francis	8.1	9.4	9.4	8.3	9.2
Chicot	9.8	10.6	11.1	9.8	8.8
Phillips	8.4	9.0	9.4	8.9	8.7
Woodruff	6.9	9.6	10.0	8.9	8.7
Clay	7.3	8.0	8.0	8.1	8.5
Drew	7.9	7.8	7.8	8.2	8.3
Lincoln	7.4	8.1	7.7	7.4	8.1
Mississippi	11.7	12.0	10.2	8.4	8.1

Source: Arkansas Department of Workforce Services, Unemployment Rates and Labor Force Statistics

Arkansas in the Future – State Overview

Top 10 Industries and Occupations by Projected Growth

Industry	Net Growth
Management of Companies and Enterprises	16,700
Elementary and Secondary Schools	15,185
Employment Services	12,366
General Medical and Surgical Hospitals	11,931
General Freight Trucking	10,586
Limited-Service Eating Places	9,347
Local Government, Excluding Education/Hospitals	6,980
Full-Service Restaurants	6,737
State Government, Excluding Education /Hospitals	6,322
Offices of Physicians	6,008

Source: Arkansas Department of Workforce Services, Long-Term Occupational Employment Projections, 2004 - 2014

Occupation	Net Growth
Truck Drivers, Heavy and Tractor-Trailer	11,653
Retail Salespersons	8,706
Registered Nurses	7,027
Janitors and Cleaners, Except Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners	5,664
Nursing Aides, Orderlies, and Attendants	4,705
Combined Food Preparation and Serving Workers, Including Fast Food	4,633
Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand	4,604
Office Clerks, General	3,759
Customer Service Representatives	3,535
Helpers - Production Workers	3,422

Source: Arkansas Department of Workforce Services, Long-Term Occupational Employment Projections, 2004 - 2014

Arkansas in the Future – State Overview

Top 10 Industries and Occupations by Projected Decline

Industry	Net Growth
Federal Government, Excluding Post Office	-1,123
Sawmills and Wood Preservation	-933
Other General Purpose Machinery Manufacturing	-657
Direct Selling Establishments	-458
Other Fabricated Metal Product Manufacturing	-436
Animal Production	-414
Navigational, Measuring, Electromedical, and Control Instruments Manufacturing	-349
Office Furniture (including Fixtures) Manufacturing	-278
Farm Product Raw Material Merchant Wholesalers	-232
Wired Telecommunications Carriers	-207

Source: Arkansas Department of Workforce Services, Long-Term Occupational Employment Projections, 2004 - 2014

Occupation	Net Growth
File Clerks	-660
Meter Readers, Utilities	-285
Mail Clerks and Mail Machine Operators, Except Postal Service	-261
Order Clerks	-256
Computer Operators	-250
Credit Authorizers, Checkers, and Clerks	-184
Woodworking Machine Setters, Operators, and Tenders, Except Sawing	-151
Sewing Machine Operators	-146
Extruding and Drawing Machine Setters, Operators, and Tenders, Metal and Plastic	-141
Stock Clerks and Order Fillers	-137

Source: Arkansas Department of Workforce Services, Long-Term Occupational Employment Projections, 2004 - 2014

Workforce Investment Areas

Top 10 Growth Industries

	Net Growth		Net Growth
Central Workforce Investment Area			
Administrative and Support Services	4,737	Management of Companies and Enterprises	15,879
Educational Services	2,990	Truck Transportation	7,950
Food Services and Drinking Places	2,687	Educational Services	7,688
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	2,469	Food Services and Drinking Places	5,574
Nursing and Residential Care Facilities	2,203	Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	5,368
Hospitals	2,011	Ambulatory Health Care Services	2,960
Ambulatory Health Care Services	1,955	Specialty Trade Contractors	2,816
General Merchandise Stores	1,370	Administrative and Support Services	2,390
Specialty Trade Contractors	1,359	Hospitals	1,963
Local Government, Excluding Education and Hospitals	1,302	Local Government, Excluding Education and Hospitals	1,801
Eastern Workforce Investment Area			
Warehousing and Storage	600	Machinery Manufacturing	1,055
Food Manufacturing	507	Food Services and Drinking Places	993
Ambulatory Health Care Services	417	State, Excluding Education and Hospitals	790
Social Assistance	392	State Government, Excluding Education and Hospitals	790
Truck Transportation	332	Nursing and Residential Care Facilities	757
Nursing and Residential Care Facilities	324	Hospitals	741
Educational Services	305	Educational Services	732
State Government, Excluding Education and Hospitals	305	Food Manufacturing	676
Administrative and Support Services	245	Social Assistance	370
Support Activities for Transportation	235	Transportation Equipment Manufacturing	351
City of Little Rock Workforce Investment Area			
Religious, Grantmaking, Civic, Professional, and Similar Organizations	3,420	Administrative and Support Services	1,124
Hospitals	3,030	Food Manufacturing	971
State Government, Excluding Education and Hospitals	2,887	Educational Services	849
Administrative and Support Services	2,398	Plastics and Rubber Products Manufacturing	761
Ambulatory Health Care Services	2,006	Social Assistance	443
Educational Services	1,266	Nursing and Residential Care Facilities	441
Social Assistance	1,124	Truck Transportation	396
Local Government, Excluding Education and Hospitals	934	Food Services and Drinking Places	261
Food Services and Drinking Places	915	Support Activities for Transportation	254
General Merchandise Stores	831	State Government, Excluding Education and Hospitals	243
North Central Workforce Investment Area			
Educational Services	2,073	Educational Services	2,778
Administrative and Support Services	1,375	Food Services and Drinking Places	1,758
Food Services and Drinking Places	1,365	Administrative and Support Services	1,663
Hospitals	1,161	Hospitals	1,349
Ambulatory Health Care Services	735	Ambulatory Health Care Services	1,096
State Government, Excluding Education and Hospitals	684	General Merchandise Stores	894
Local Government, Excluding Education and Hospitals	579	Social Assistance	864
Food Manufacturing	570	Local Government, Excluding Education and Hospitals	789
Transportation Equipment Manufacturing	518	Warehousing and Storage	759
Nursing and Residential Care Facilities	516	Transportation Equipment Manufacturing	736
Northeast Workforce Investment Area			
Administrative and Support Services	2,632	Truck Transportation	2,149
Transportation Equipment Manufacturing	2,232	Educational Services	2,098
Hospitals	1,936	Food Manufacturing	1,031
Primary Metal Manufacturing	1,753	Food Services and Drinking Places	993
Educational Services	1,647	Hospitals	749
Ambulatory Health Care Services	1,237	Ambulatory Health Care Services	725
Food Services and Drinking Places	1,210	Nursing and Residential Care Facilities	690
Food Manufacturing	954	Local Government, Excluding Education and Hospitals	659
Social Assistance	921	Administrative and Support Services	605
General Merchandise Stores	818	General Merchandise Stores	581
Northwest Workforce Investment Area			
Southeast Workforce Investment Area			
Southwest Workforce Investment Area			
West Central Workforce Investment Area			
Western Workforce Investment Area			

Source: Arkansas Department of Workforce Services, Long-Term Industry Employment Projections, 2004-2014

Workforce Investment Areas

Top 10 Growth Occupations

Central Workforce Investment Area	Net Growth	Northwest Workforce Investment Area	Net Growth
Retail Salespersons	1,787	Truck Drivers, Heavy and Tractor-Trailer	6,730
Nursing Aides, Orderlies, and Attendants	1,584	Retail Salespersons	2,603
Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand	1,128	Office Clerks, General	1,598
Registered Nurses	1,105	Farmers and Ranchers	1,575
Combined Food Preparation and Serving Workers, Including Fast Food	876	Janitors and Cleaners, Except Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners	1,458
Office Clerks, General	725	Waiters and Waitresses	1,334
Cashiers	681	Combined Food Preparation and Serving Workers, Including Fast Food	1,242
Farmers and Ranchers	611	Registered Nurses	1,225
Landscaping and Groundskeeping Workers	575	Meat, Poultry, and Fish Cutters and Trimmers	1,138
Helpers - Production Workers	534	Customer Service Representatives	1,137
Eastern Workforce Investment Area		Southeast Workforce Investment Area	
Farmers and Ranchers	386	Team Assemblers	568
Truck Drivers, Heavy and Tractor-Trailer	359	Registered Nurses	415
Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand	241	Meat, Poultry, and Fish Cutters and Trimmers	375
Industrial Truck and Tractor Operators	199	Farmers and Ranchers	362
Janitors and Cleaners, Except Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners	131	Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand	285
Registered Nurses	114	Combined Food Preparation and Serving Workers, Including Fast Food	280
Customer Service Representatives	107	Cooks, Fast Food	263
Teacher Assistants	104	Correctional Officers and Jailers	246
Office Clerks, General	103	Truck Drivers, Heavy and Tractor-Trailer	202
Retail Salespersons	99	Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational Nurses	189
City of Little Rock Workforce Investment Area		Southwest Workforce Investment Area	
Registered Nurses	1,449	Meat, Poultry, and Fish Cutters and Trimmers	677
Janitors and Cleaners, Except Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners	1,046	Team Assemblers	363
Clergy	943	Helpers - Production Workers	355
Retail Salespersons	802	Truck Drivers, Heavy and Tractor-Trailer	345
Customer Service Representatives	740	Farmers and Ranchers	302
Nursing Aides, Orderlies, and Attendants	562	Janitors and Cleaners, Except Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners	264
Personal and Home Care Aides	381	Retail Salespersons	193
Secretaries, Except Legal, Medical, and Executive	340	Nursing Aides, Orderlies, and Attendants	192
Social and Human Service Assistants	326	Registered Nurses	170
Truck Drivers, Heavy and Tractor-Trailer	298	First-Line Supervisors/Managers of Production and Operating Workers	163
North Central Workforce Investment Area		West Central Workforce Investment Area	
Truck Drivers, Heavy and Tractor-Trailer	572	Retail Salespersons	903
Combined Food Preparation and Serving Workers, Including Fast Food	550	Registered Nurses	738
Registered Nurses	514	Janitors and Cleaners, Except Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners	559
Retail Salespersons	500	Cashiers	529
Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand	472	Combined Food Preparation and Serving Workers, Including Fast Food	399
Farmers and Ranchers	454	Nursing Aides, Orderlies, and Attendants	397
Team Assemblers	365	Truck Drivers, Heavy and Tractor-Trailer	392
Janitors and Cleaners, Except Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners	353	Waiters and Waitresses	385
Nursing Aides, Orderlies, and Attendants	307	Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand	377
Cashiers	293	Meat, Poultry, and Fish Cutters and Trimmers	354
Northeast Workforce Investment Area		Western Workforce Investment Area	
Registered Nurses	772	Truck Drivers, Heavy and Tractor-Trailer	1,990
Helpers – Production Workers	766	Meat, Poultry, and Fish Cutters and Trimmers	579
Retail Salespersons	699	Retail Salespersons	567
Farmers and Ranchers	674	Registered Nurses	488
Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand	644	Team Assemblers	354
Nursing Aides, Orderlies, and Attendants	525	Janitors and Cleaners, Except Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners	347
Welders, Cutters, Solderers, and Brazers	439	Nursing Aides, Orderlies, and Attendants	337
Janitors and Cleaners, Except Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners	425	Elementary School Teachers, Except Special Education	332
Combined Food Preparation and Serving Workers, Including Fast Food	420	Combined Food Preparation and Serving Workers, Including Fast Food	316
Maintenance and Repair Workers, General	356	Farmers and Ranchers	289

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Workforce Investment Areas

Top 10 Declining Industries

	Net Decline		Net Decline
Central Workforce Investment Area			
Federal, Excluding Post Office	-254	Electrical Equipment, Appliance, and Component Manufacturing	-394
Wood Product Manufacturing	-108	Animal Production	-336
Machinery Manufacturing	-91	Nonstore Retailers	-133
Wholesale Electronic Markets and Agents and Brokers	-55	Warehousing and Storage	-100
Support Activities for Agriculture and Forestry	-54	Apparel Manufacturing	-77
Nonstore Retailers	-47	Performing Arts, Spectator Sports, and Related Industries	-23
Heavy and Civil Engineering Construction	-45	Support Activities for Agriculture and Forestry	-20
Apparel Manufacturing	-33	Federal, Excluding Post Office	-18
Pipeline Transportation	-25	Printing and Related Support Activities	-12
Electrical Equipment, Appliance, and Component Manufacturing	-20	Transit and Ground Passenger Transport	-8
Eastern Workforce Investment Area			
Gasoline Stations	-98	Apparel Manufacturing	-303
Motor Vehicle and Parts Dealers	-96	Total Federal Government Employment	-246
Food and Beverage Stores	-88	Federal, Excluding Post Office	-202
Accommodation	-48	Forestry and Logging	-144
Machinery Manufacturing	-43	Insurance Carriers and Related Activities	-130
Chemical Manufacturing	-39	Motor Vehicle and Parts Dealers	-129
Clothing and Clothing Accessories Stores	-38	Clothing and Clothing Accessories Stores	-117
Wood Product Manufacturing	-33	Textile Product Mills	-101
Religious, Grantmaking, Civic, Professional, and Similar Organizations	-31	Construction of Buildings	-82
Building Material and Garden Equipment and Supplies Dealers	-24	Nonstore Retailers	-67
Personal and Laundry Services	-24	Truck Transportation	-64
City of Little Rock Workforce Investment Area			
Federal, Excluding Post Office	-419	Construction of Buildings	-299
Plastics and Rubber Products Manufacturing	-222	Animal Production	-201
Utilities	-155	Paper Manufacturing	-184
Publishing Industries	-155	Religious, Grantmaking, Civic, Professional, and Similar Organizations	-178
Heavy and Civil Engineering Construction	-133	Food and Beverage Stores	-176
Insurance Carriers and Related Activities	-104	Clothing and Clothing Accessories Stores	-129
Fabricated Metal Product Manufacturing	-100	Support Activities for Mining	-127
Warehousing and Storage	-96	Merchant Wholesalers, Nondurable Goods	-104
Wholesale Electronic Markets and Agents and Brokers	-94	Primary Metal Manufacturing	-100
Miscellaneous Manufacturing	-85	Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	-89
North Central Workforce Investment Area			
Machinery Manufacturing	-228	State Government, Excluding Education and Hospitals	-144
Nonstore Retailers	-65	Federal, Excluding Post Office	-142
Heavy and Civil Engineering Construction	-59	Utilities	-108
Federal, Excluding Post Office	-53	Wholesale Electronic Markets and Agents and Brokers	-87
Apparel Manufacturing	-23	Telecommunications	-74
Support Activities for Agriculture and Forestry	-19	Nonstore Retailers	-69
Petroleum and Coal Products Manufacturing	-10	Construction of Buildings	-49
Mining (except Oil and Gas)	-9	Animal Production	-47
Pipeline Transportation	-6	Mining (except Oil and Gas)	-35
Broadcasting (except Internet)	-6	Postal Service	-34
Northeast Workforce Investment Area			
Furniture and Related Product Manufacturing	-500	Furniture and Related Product Manufacturing	-247
Publishing Industries	-287	Mining (except Oil and Gas)	-120
Machinery Manufacturing	-277	Insurance Carriers and Related Activities	-110
Gasoline Stations	-139	Broadcasting (except Internet)	-109
Miscellaneous Manufacturing	-117	Telecommunications	-97
Electrical Equipment, Appliance, and Component Manufacturing	-89	Wood Product Manufacturing	-95
Clothing and Clothing Accessories Stores	-68	Wholesale Electronic Markets and Agents and Brokers	-90
Computer and Electronic Product Manufacturing	-59	Federal, Excluding Post Office	-85
Federal, Excluding Post Office	-45	Computer and Electronic Product Manufacturing	-70
Nonstore Retailers	-42	Miscellaneous Manufacturing	-58
Northwest Workforce Investment Area			
Southeast Workforce Investment Area			
Southwest Workforce Investment Area			
West Central Workforce Investment Area			
Western Workforce Investment Area			

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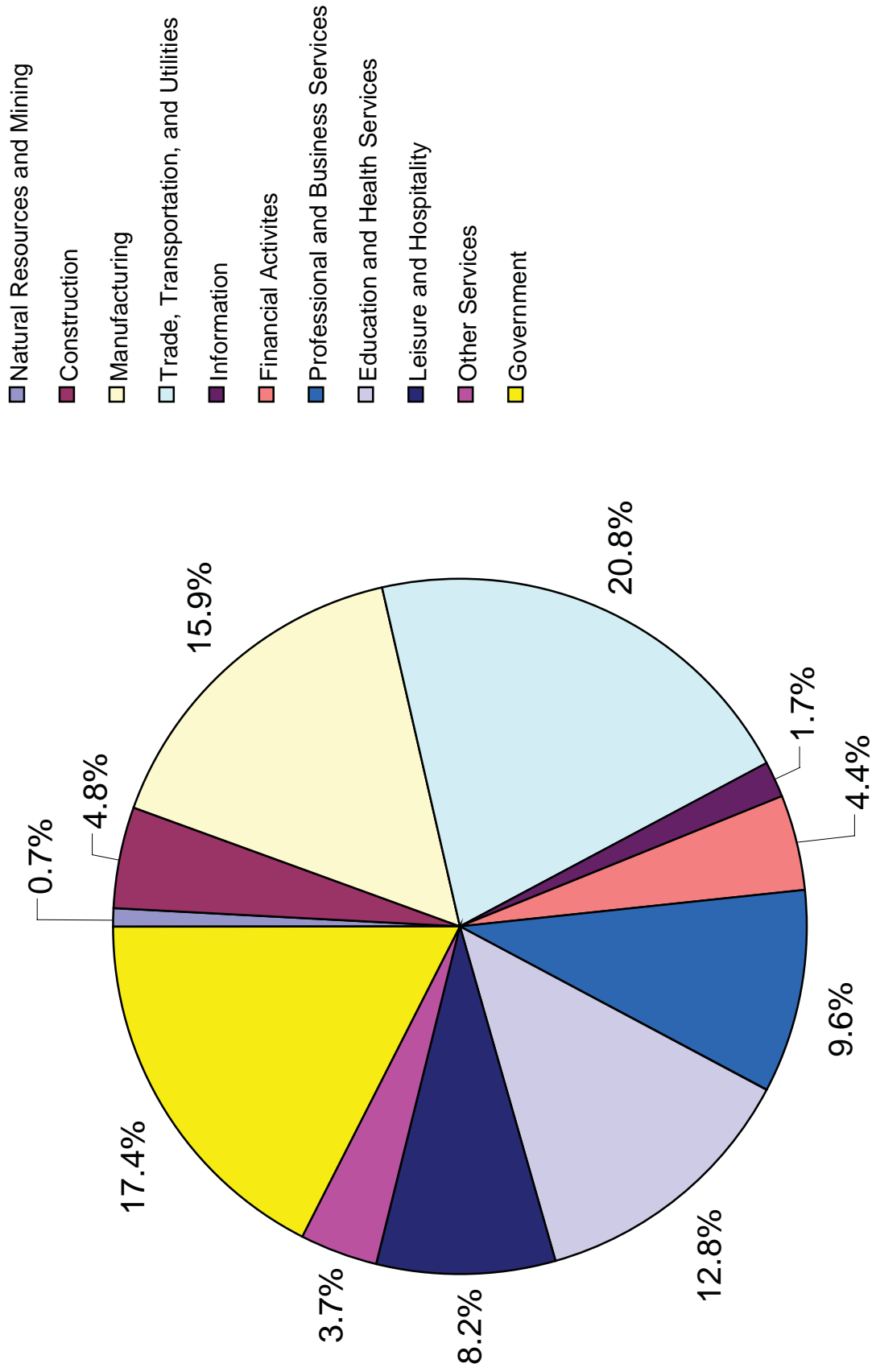
Workforce Investment Areas

Top 10 Declining Occupations

	Net Decline		Net Decline
Central Workforce Investment Area			
Coating, Painting & Spraying Machine Setters, Operators & Tenders	-104	Farmworkers and Laborers, Crop, Nursery, and Greenhouse	-134
Sewing Machine Operators	-72	File Clerks	-87
File Clerks	-67	Cutting, Punching & Press Machine Setters, Operators & Tenders, Metal & Plastic	-61
Order Clerks	-42	Farm, Ranch, and Other Agricultural Managers	-60
Meter Readers, Utilities	-38	Order Clerks	-48
Sawing Machine Setters, Operators, and Tenders, Wood	-29	Stock Clerks and Order Fillers	-34
Locomotive Engineers	-27	Machine Feeders and Offbearers	-34
Computer Operators	-25	Office Machine Operators, Except Computer	-32
Conservation Scientists	-19	Mail Clerks and Mail Machine Operators, Except Postal Service	-27
Machine Feeders and Offbearers	-17	Credit Authorizers, Checkers, and Clerks	-23
Eastern Workforce Investment Area			
Cashiers	-79	Secretaries, Except Legal, Medical, and Executive	-159
Secretaries, Except Legal, Medical, and Executive	-46	Sewing Machine Operators	-119
Hotel, Motel, and Resort Desk Clerks	-18	Stock Clerks and Order Fillers	-71
Order Clerks	-17	Security Guards	-42
Packaging and Filling Machine Operators and Tenders	-14	Parts Salespersons	-42
File Clerks	-11	File Clerks	-42
Meter Readers, Utilities	-9	Pressers, Textile, Garment, and Related Materials	-36
Cutting, Punching & Press Machine Setters, Operators & Tenders, Metal & Plastic	-9	Insurance Sales Agents	-34
Pressers, Textile, Garment, and Related Materials	-9	Meter Readers, Utilities	-34
Sawing Machine Setters, Operators, and Tenders, Wood	-8	Construction Laborers	-27
City of Little Rock Workforce Investment Area			
File Clerks	-223	Stock Clerks and Order Fillers	-97
Mail Clerks and Mail Machine Operators, Except Postal Service	-147	Secretaries, Except Legal, Medical, and Executive	-82
Stock Clerks and Order Fillers	-118	Machine Feeders and Offbearers	-67
Telemarketers	-117	Woodworking Machine Setters, Operators, and Tenders, Except Sawing	-60
Computer Operators	-102	Sawing Machine Setters, Operators, and Tenders, Wood	-33
Credit Authorizers, Checkers, and Clerks	-101	Derrick Operators, Oil and Gas	-30
Data Entry Keyers	-62	Farm, Ranch, and Other Agricultural Managers	-27
Machine Feeders and Offbearers	-56	File Clerks	-25
Meter Readers, Utilities	-54	Telecommunications Line Installers and Repairers	-24
Computer Programmers	-44	Order Clerks	-23
North Central Workforce Investment Area			
Cutting, Punching & Press Machine Setters, Operators & Tenders, Metal & Plastic	-45	Sewing Machine Operators	-133
Meter Readers, Utilities	-35	Machine Feeders and Offbearers	-37
File Clerks	-33	Sawing Machine Setters, Operators, and Tenders, Wood	-29
Stock Clerks and Order Fillers	-22	Meter Readers, Utilities	-24
Parts Salespersons	-21	Order Clerks	-23
Computer Operators	-15	Parts Salespersons	-18
Furniture Finishers	-12	Postal Service Mail Carriers	-18
Order Clerks	-10	Pressers, Textile, Garment, and Related Materials	-16
Cabinetmakers and Bench Carpenters	-10	Forest and Conservation Technicians	-15
Radio and Television Announcers	-8	Woodworking Machine Setters, Operators, and Tenders, Except Sawing	-15
Northeast Workforce Investment Area			
Secretaries, Except Legal, Medical, and Executive	-57	Stock Clerks and Order Fillers	-104
Cabinetmakers and Bench Carpenters	-53	File Clerks	-81
Woodworking Machine Setters, Operators, and Tenders, Except Sawing	-51	Machine Feeders and Offbearers	-73
Stock Clerks and Order Fillers	-49	Cutting, Punching & Press Machine Setters, Operators & Tenders, Metal & Plastic	-65
Cutting, Punching & Press Machine Setters, Operators & Tenders, Metal & Plastic	-47	Telemarketers	-41
Order Clerks	-33	Computer Operators	-38
File Clerks	-27	Extruding & Drawing Machine Setters, Operators & Tenders, Metal & Plastic	-38
Reporters and Correspondents	-12	Insurance Sales Agents	-36
Parts Salespersons	-12	Order Clerks	-26
Credit Authorizers, Checkers, and Clerks	-12	Photographic Processing Machine Operators	-24
Northwest Workforce Investment Area			
Southeast Workforce Investment Area			
Southwest Workforce Investment Area			
West Central Workforce Investment Area			
Western Workforce Investment Area			

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