# LABOR MARKET INFORMATION

(2018, Non-seasonally-adjusted)

Website: neworks.nebraska.gov

#### LABOR FORCE DATA

Year-over Annual Job Growth	0.4% Nebraska	1.7% National
Annual Average Unemployment Rate	2.8% Nebraska	3.9% National
Annual Average Labor Force	1,020,197	
Annual Labor Force Participation Rate	<b>69.2%</b> Nebraska	<b>62.9%</b> National
Year-over Average Wage Growth	3.7% Nebraska	3.3% National

# **EDUCATION LEVELS\***

(Age 25 and older)

Less than high school: 9.1% Nebraska | 12.0% National

High school: 26.7% Nebraska | 27.1% National

Some college/Associate degree:

33.6% Nebraska | 28.9% National

Bachelor's degree +: 30.6% Nebraska | 32.0% National

\*American Community Survey (ACS) educational attainment data

# **KEY INDUSTRIES**

(Top 3 industries for average annual job growth at the super sector level)



2.3% Construction





1.5% Manufacturing

# STATE WORKFORCE INNOVATION: LABOR AVAILABILITY STUDY INITIATIVE

A questionnaire-based research project with reports covering characteristics of the labor pool in various regions, business hiring needs and a skills gap report produced by the University of Nebraska-Lincoln.



# **STATE PROFILE**

#### **NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF LABOR**

# **Programs within Agency**

- · Child Labor
- · Contractor Registration
- · Employee Classification
- · Employment Agency License
- Employment and Training Services
- · Farm Labor Contractors
- · Foreign Labor Certification
- Jobs for America's Graduates
- Labor Market Information
- · Meatpacking Bill of Rights
- Migrant and Seasonal Farmworkers
- Non-English Speaking Workers Protection
- On-site Safety and Health Consultation
- Professional Employer Organization Registration
- Reemployment Program
- Reemployment Services and Eligibility Assessments (RESEA)

- Trade Adjustment Assistance
- Unemployment Insurance (UI)
- U.S. Department of Labor Registered Apprenticeships
- Veterans Employment and Training Services
- · Veterans Preference
- · Wage and Hour
- Wage Payment and Collection
- Wagner-Peyser (WP)
- Work Opportunity Tax Credit
- Worker Training Program
- Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA)
  - Adult (A)
  - Dislocated Worker (DW)
  - Youth (Y)

#### WIOA Partner Structure - Core Partners

- Nebraska Department of Labor Administers WIOA (A, DW, Y) and WP programs
- Nebraska Department of Education Administers
   Adult Education (AE) and Family Literacy programs,
   and Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) General programs
- Nebraska Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired – Administers VR Blind programs

#### **Approval of Apprenticeships**

Federal

# **Local Regions Governance**

· Local entity oversees workforce personnel and training

#### **NUMBER OF AMERICAN JOB CENTERS**

(One-stop centers)

4 Comprehensive Centers

11 Affiliate Centers

# TOTAL INDIVIDUALS SERVED BY NEBRASKA'S WORKFORCE SERVICES\*



\*See participant definitions under "Programs within Agency"

#### **UNEMPLOYMENT DATA\***

#### **Duration Rate**

The average number of weeks people receive unemployment insurance.

11.9 weeks

**15.0** weeks

National

## **Exhaustion Rate**

The percentage of individuals receiving unemployment benefits who use all the eligible weeks without finding new employment.





\*U.S. Department of Labor unemployment insurance national data

### STATE WORKFORCE INNOVATION: USDOL YOUTH REGISTERED APPRENTICESHIP

An increasing number of opportunities are available across the state through various educational institutions and employers. These programs are helping close skill gaps and connect young people to promising careers.

To learn more, visit dol.nebraska.gov.

#### **STATE WORKFORCE INNOVATION: SNAP NEXT STEP**

Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program clients are obtaining better employment, decreasing their need for assistance and improving their overall quality of life through a partnership with Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services.

To learn more, visit dhhs.ne.gov.