ADP National Employment Report: Private Sector Employment Increased by 27,000 Jobs in May

ROSELAND, N.J. – June 5, 2019 – Private sector employment increased by 27,000 jobs from April to May according to the May ADP National Employment Report®. Broadly distributed to the public each month, free of charge, the ADP National Employment Report is produced by the ADP Research Institute® in collaboration with Moody’s Analytics. The report, which is derived from ADP’s actual payroll data, measures the change in total nonfarm private employment each month on a seasonally-adjusted basis.

May 2019 Report Highlights*


Total U.S. Nonfarm Private Employment: 27,000

By Company Size
- Small businesses: -52,000
  - 1-19 employees -50,000
  - 20-49 employees -2,000
- Medium businesses: 11,000
  - 50-499 employees 11,000
- Large businesses: 68,000
  - 500-999 employees 9,000
  - 1,000+ employees 59,000

By Sector
- Goods-producing: -43,000
  - Natural resources/mining -4,000
  - Construction -36,000
  - Manufacturing -3,000
- Service-providing: 71,000
  - Trade/transportation/utilities 0
  - Information -3,000
  - Financial activities 13,000
  - Professional/business services 22,000
    - Professional/technical services 14,000
    - Management of companies/enterprises 3,000
    - Administrative/support services 5,000
  - Education/health services 33,000
    - Health care/social assistance 34,000
    - Education -1,000
  - Leisure/hospitality 16,000
  - Other services -9,000
* Sum of components may not equal total, due to rounding.

- **Franchise Employment**
  - Franchise jobs -4,800

**Complete details on franchise employment can be found [here](#).**

"Following an overly strong April, May marked the smallest gain since the expansion began," said Ahu Yildirmaz, vice president and co-head of the ADP Research Institute. "Large companies continue to remain strong as they are better equipped to compete for labor in a tight labor market."

Mark Zandi, chief economist of Moody's Analytics, said, “Job growth is moderating. Labor shortages are impeding job growth, particularly at small companies, and layoffs at brick-and-mortar retailers are hurting.”

**Chart 1. Change in Total Nonfarm Private Employment**

[Bar chart showing changes in total nonfarm private employment from May 2018 to May 2019.]

Sources: ADP Research Institute®
Chart 2. Historical Trend – Change in Total Nonfarm Private Employment

Sources: ADP Research Institute®, BLS

Chart 3. Change in Nonfarm Private Employment by Selected Industry

May 2019

Sources: ADP Research Institute®
The matched sample used to develop the ADP National Employment Report was derived from ADP payroll data, which represents 411,000 U.S. clients employing nearly 24 million workers in the U.S. The April total of jobs added was revised down from 275,000 to 271,000.

To obtain additional information about the ADP National Employment Report, including additional charts, supporting data and the schedule of future release dates, or to subscribe to the monthly email alerts and RSS feeds, please visit www.adpemploymentreport.com.

The June 2019 ADP National Employment Report will be released at 8:15 a.m. ET on July 3, 2019.

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The data for this report is collected for pay periods that can be interpolated to include the week of the 12th of each month, and processed with statistical methodologies similar to those used by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics to compute employment from its monthly survey of establishments. Due to this
processing, this subset is modified to make it indicative of national employment levels; therefore, the resulting employment changes computed for the *ADP National Employment Report* are not representative of changes in ADP's total base of U.S. business clients.

For a description of the underlying data and the statistical model used to create this report, please see the *ADP National Employment Report: Development Methodology*.

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