Table 1. Labor Force and Employment in the Fayetteville HMA, 2010 Through March 2025

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|----------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|---------------|---------------|
| | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | March 2024 | March 2025 |
| Labor Force | 217.4 | 220.6 | 223.9 | 226.6 | 233.7 | 244.1 | 249.9 | 256.8 | 260.9 | 267.6 | 270.4 | 275.0 | 289.4 | 297.7 | 306.6 | 299.9 | 309.1 |
| Resident Employment | 203.7 | 207.2 | 211.5 | 214.4 | 223.4 | 235.3 | 242.6 | 249.5 | 253.7 | 260.8 | 257.9 | 266.9 | 282.6 | 290.4 | 298.4 | 292.3 | 300.5 |
| Unemployment | 13.7 | 13.4 | 12.5 | 12.1 | 10.3 | 8.8 | 7.2 | 7.3 | 7.2 | 6.8 | 12.5 | 8.1 | 6.8 | 7.3 | 8.2 | 7.6 | 8.5 |
| Unemployment Rate (%) | 6.3 | 6.1 | 5.6 | 5.4 | 4.4 | 3.6 | 2.9 | 2.8 | 2.8 | 2.5 | 4.6 | 2.9 | 2.4 | 2.4 | 2.7 | 2.5 | 2.8 |
| Total Nonfarm Payroll Jobs | 194.5 | 198.3 | 204.1 | 210.2 | 220.2 | 232.2 | 242.9 | 250.4 | 256.7 | 263.7 | 262.0 | 274.1 | 290.9 | 299.2 | 307.0 | 301.1 | 309.1 |
| Goods-Producing Sectors | 33.3 | 31.6 | 31.1 | 31.2 | 32.2 | 33.3 | 34.7 | 36.5 | 37.9 | 39.4 | 40.3 | 41.5 | 42.9 | 43.6 | 45.7 | 44.1 | 46.2 |
| Mining, Logging, & Construction | 7.3 | 7.1 | 7.4 | 7.6 | 8.0 | 9.1 | 10.1 | 10.9 | 11.4 | 12.0 | 12.7 | 13.4 | 14.6 | 16.3 | 17.9 | 16.7 | 18.1 |
| Manufacturing | 26.0 | 24.4 | 23.8 | 23.7 | 24.2 | 24.2 | 24.6 | 25.6 | 26.5 | 27.4 | 27.6 | 28.0 | 28.2 | 27.3 | 27.9 | 27.4 | 28.1 |
| Service-Providing Sectors | 161.2 | 166.8 | 172.9 | 179.0 | 188.0 | 199.0 | 208.2 | 213.9 | 218.8 | 224.3 | 221.8 | 232.6 | 248.0 | 255.6 | 261.3 | 256.9 | 263.0 |
| Wholesale & Retail Trade | 28.6 | 30.1 | 31.3 | 32.1 | 33.9 | 36.3 | 37.5 | 37.4 | 37.7 | 37.5 | 37.2 | 39.3 | 41.0 | 42.3 | 43.1 | 42.5 | 43.3 |
| Wholesale Trade | 8.8 | 9.7 | 10.1 | 10.1 | 10.6 | 11.4 | 11.7 | 11.5 | 12.2 | 12.3 | 12.2 | 12.7 | 13.3 | 14.0 | 14.2 | 14.0 | 14.3 |
| Retail Trade | 19.8 | 20.4 | 21.2 | 22.0 | 23.3 | 24.9 | 25.8 | 25.9 | 25.5 | 25.2 | 25.0 | 26.6 | 27.7 | 28.3 | 28.9 | 28.5 | 29.1 |
| Transportation & Utilities | 14.7 | 14.8 | 14.9 | 14.6 | 15.1 | 16.1 | 16.8 | 16.6 | 17.3 | 18.2 | 18.1 | 17.7 | 19.7 | 19.3 | 18.6 | 19.0 | 18.6 |
| Information | 1.8 | 1.6 | 1.6 | 1.6 | 1.6 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 1.8 | 1.9 | 1.8 | 2.0 | 2.3 | 2.4 | 2.3 | 2.4 | 2.3 |
| Financial Activities | 8.5 | 8.0 | 7.9 | 8.2 | 8.3 | 8.8 | 9.4 | 9.7 | 10.1 | 10.3 | 11.0 | 11.8 | 12.3 | 12.3 | 12.2 | 12.3 | 12.3 |
| Professional & Business Services | 34.1 | 36.5 | 38.5 | 40.7 | 44.4 | 46.4 | 48.7 | 49.7 | 49.4 | 50.1 | 50.4 | 52.5 | 57.8 | 58.8 | 60.2 | 59.0 | 60.7 |
| Education & Health Services | 21.5 | 22.4 | 23.2 | 23.6 | 24.1 | 25.5 | 26.8 | 27.9 | 28.8 | 29.5 | 29.6 | 31.4 | 33.1 | 35.3 | 36.9 | 35.7 | 37.4 |
| Leisure & Hospitality | 17.7 | 18.8 | 20.0 | 20.9 | 21.7 | 23.1 | 24.2 | 25.0 | 26.0 | 26.9 | 23.2 | 25.8 | 28.6 | 30.6 | 31.1 | 30.7 | 31.2 |
| Other Services | 6.6 | 6.8 | 6.7 | 7.1 | 7.9 | 8.9 | 10.2 | 11.7 | 12.6 | 13.5 | 13.9 | 14.6 | 14.3 | 13.4 | 13.6 | 13.5 | 13.6 |
| Government | 27.8 | 27.8 | 29.0 | 30.2 | 31.0 | 32.1 | 33.1 | 34.1 | 35.2 | 36.6 | 36.7 | 37.5 | 39.0 | 41.3 | 43.2 | 41.8 | 43.6 |
| Federal | 2.6 | 2.3 | 2.3 | 2.4 | 2.5 | 2.5 | 2.5 | 2.5 | 2.6 | 2.6 | 2.8 | 2.8 | 2.8 | 3.1 | 3.2 | 3.1 | 3.1 |
| State | 9.2 | 9.4 | 10.1 | 11.0 | 11.6 | 12.3 | 13.1 | 13.8 | 14.7 | 15.7 | 15.6 | 16.4 | 17.6 | 19.0 | 20.5 | 19.4 | 20.8 |
| Local | 16.0 | 16.1 | 16.6 | 16.8 | 17.0 | 17.3 | 17.5 | 17.8 | 18.0 | 18.2 | 18.2 | 18.3 | 18.5 | 19.2 | 19.6 | 19.3 | 19.7 |

Notes: Numbers may not add to totals due to rounding. Data are reported in thousands.

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics



Table 2. Population and Household Trends in the Fayetteville HMA, 2010 to Forecast

| | | | | | | Average Annual Change | | | | |
|------------------|---------|---------|---------|----------|--------|-----------------------|---------|----------|------------|----------|
| | | | | | 2010 t | o 2020 | 2020 to | Current | Current to | Forecast |
| | 2010 | 2020 | Current | Forecast | Number | Rate (%) | Number | Rate (%) | Number | Rate (%) |
| Population | | | | | | | | | | |
| Fayetteville HMA | 440,125 | 546,725 | 617,900 | 662,600 | 10,650 | 2.2 | 14,250 | 2.5 | 14,900 | 2.4 |
| Households | | | | | | | | | | |
| Fayetteville HMA | 164,650 | 203,100 | 236,650 | 254,600 | 3,850 | 2.1 | 6,700 | 3.1 | 5,975 | 2.5 |

Notes: The current date is April 1, 2025. The forecast date is April 1, 2028.

Sources: 2010 and 2020—2010 Census and 2020 Census; current and forecast—estimates by the analyst



Table 3. Housing Inventory, Tenure, and Vacancy in the Favetteville HMA, 2010, 2020, and Current

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|--|---------|------------------|---------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| | F | Fayetteville HMA | | | | | | | | |
| | 2010 | 2020 | Current | | | | | | | |
| Total Housing Inventory | 188,373 | 221,207 | 257,825 | | | | | | | |
| Occupied Units | 164,650 | 203,096 | 236,650 | | | | | | | |
| Owner-Occupied | 103,597 | 124,658 | 144,200 | | | | | | | |
| % | 62.9 | 61.4 | 60.9 | | | | | | | |
| Renter-Occupied | 61,053 | 78,438 | 92,450 | | | | | | | |
| % | 37.1 | 38.6 | 39.1 | | | | | | | |
| Vacant Units | 23,723 | 18,111 | 21,175 | | | | | | | |
| Available Units | 14,094 | 8,557 | 11,175 | | | | | | | |
| For Sale | 4,143 | 2,174 | 2,425 | | | | | | | |
| Rate (%) | 3.8 | 1.7 | 1.7 | | | | | | | |
| For Rent | 9,951 | 6,383 | 8,750 | | | | | | | |
| Rate (%) | 14.0 | 7.5 | 8.6 | | | | | | | |
| Other Vacant | 9,629 | 9,554 | 10,000 | | | | | | | |
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Notes: The current date is April 1, 2025. In this analysis conducted by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), other vacant units include all vacant units that are not available for sale or for rent. The term therefore includes units rented or sold but not occupied; held for seasonal, recreational, or occasional use; used by migrant workers; and the category specified as "other" vacant by the U.S. Census Bureau. Sources: 2010 and 2020—2010 Census and 2020 Census; current—estimates by the analyst



Table 4. Residential Building Permit Activity in the Fayetteville HMA, 2010 Through March 2025

| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 12 Months Ending | | | | |
|----------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|---------------------|-------------|--|--|--|
| Type of Building Permit | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | Mar 2024 | Mar 2025 | | | |
| Fayetteville HMA | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total | 1,787 | 1,779 | 2,878 | 3,102 | 3,907 | 4,279 | 5,633 | 4,989 | 6,676 | 7,217 | 6,942 | 8,005 | 8,360 | 9,030 | 10,203 | 8,643 | 9,825 | | | |
| Sales | 1,518 | 1,735 | 2,401 | 2,774 | 2,946 | 3,031 | 3,787 | 3,809 | 4,136 | 4,481 | 4,764 | 5,878 | 5,632 | 5,561 | 5,707 | 5,541 | 5,660 | | | |
| Rental | 269 | 44 | 477 | 328 | 961 | 1,248 | 1,846 | 1,180 | 2,540 | 2,736 | 2,178 | 2,127 | 2,728 | 3,469 | 4,496 | 3,102 | 4,165 | | | |

Sources: U.S. Census Bureau, Building Permits Survey; 2010 through 2023—final data and estimates by the analyst; data since 2024—preliminary data and estimates by the analyst



Table 5. Median Income in the Fayetteville HMA, 2009, 2019, and 2023

| | Median I | ncome (\$) | Average Annual Change (%) |
|-------------------------|----------|------------|---------------------------|
| | 2019 | 2023 | 2019 to 2023 |
| Median Family Income | 69,900 | 92,400 | 7.2 |
| Median Household Income | 61,674 | 77,695 | 5.9 |

Sources: Median family income—HUD, Office of Policy Development and Research; 2019 and 2023 median household income—U.S. Census Bureau, 2019 and 2023 American Community Survey 1-year data

