

As of April 1, 2023.

**Table 1. Labor Force and Employment in the Little Rock-North Little Rock-Conway HMA, 2000 Through March 2023**

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	12 Months Ending	
																								March 2022	March 2023
Labor Force	312.0	312.3	313.2	315.4	323.7	331.4	332.7	335.9	339.8	340.2	347.5	348.7	350.1	348.3	346.1	348.9	350.9	353.7	353.7	356.4	352.6	351.2	359.8	354.0	360.1
Resident Employment	300.8	299.5	298.4	299.3	307.7	315.8	317.1	320.3	324.0	317.7	323.7	324.6	327.6	326.6	327.8	333.4	338.6	341.8	342.0	345.0	329.4	336.5	348.3	340.8	349.1
Unemployment	11.2	12.9	14.8	16.1	16.0	15.6	15.6	15.6	15.8	22.5	23.9	24.1	22.4	21.7	18.3	15.4	12.4	11.8	11.7	11.3	23.2	14.7	11.5	13.2	10.9
Unemployment Rate (%)	3.6	4.1	4.7	5.1	5.0	4.7	4.7	4.6	4.7	6.6	6.9	6.9	6.4	6.2	5.3	4.4	3.5	3.3	3.3	3.2	6.6	4.2	3.2	3.7	3.0
Total Nonfarm Payroll Jobs	321.6	324.4	320.8	323.5	328.2	332.9	340.9	346.1	348.0	338.4	337.8	339.1	342.9	345.1	346.3	350.9	355.6	359.5	363.4	365.6	350.9	362.5	376.4	366.6	378.2
Goods-Producing Sectors	49.7	47.5	44.5	43.1	42.6	43.0	43.9	44.4	43.7	39.4	37.1	36.9	37.1	36.1	36.3	37.4	37.4	37.6	38.1	38.9	37.2	37.4	38.7	37.8	38.9
Mining, Logging, & Construction	16.6	17.0	17.0	17.5	17.4	17.7	18.6	19.5	19.2	17.2	17.0	17.0	17.0	16.4	16.3	17.1	17.2	17.3	17.2	17.8	17.9	18.4	18.9	18.6	19.1
Manufacturing	33.2	30.5	27.5	25.7	25.2	25.3	25.3	24.9	24.4	22.2	20.2	19.9	20.0	19.7	20.0	20.4	20.3	20.3	20.9	21.1	19.3	19.0	19.8	19.2	19.9
Service-Providing Sectors	271.9	276.9	276.3	280.4	285.6	289.9	297.0	301.7	304.3	299.0	300.7	302.2	305.9	309.0	310.0	313.5	318.2	321.8	325.3	326.7	313.7	325.1	337.7	328.8	339.2
Wholesale & Retail Trade	51.8	52.5	51.5	51.1	52.5	53.0	53.6	53.8	54.0	52.1	52.2	52.3	52.5	52.6	53.0	54.0	54.6	54.6	54.6	53.7	52.1	53.7	56.0	54.2	56.4
Wholesale Trade	16.0	16.5	16.1	16.1	16.6	16.9	17.3	17.1	17.5	17.0	16.4	15.8	15.5	15.4	14.9	15.0	15.0	15.4	15.8	15.8	15.2	15.7	17.2	16.0	17.6
Retail Trade	35.8	36.0	35.4	35.0	35.9	36.1	36.3	36.7	36.5	35.1	35.8	36.5	37.0	37.2	38.1	39.0	39.6	39.2	38.8	37.9	36.9	38.0	38.8	38.3	38.8
Transportation & Utilities	18.5	18.0	17.2	17.1	16.4	16.4	16.7	16.5	15.4	12.9	12.1	12.9	14.0	14.4	14.1	14.9	15.6	15.5	15.8	16.8	15.9	17.8	21.5	19.4	21.4
Information	11.7	12.0	11.8	11.9	12.0	11.9	11.9	12.1	11.4	10.6	10.0	9.8	9.4	8.9	7.7	7.0	6.7	6.0	5.7	5.6	5.3	5.3	5.7	5.4	5.7
Financial Activities	18.7	19.2	19.2	19.5	19.5	19.5	20.0	20.2	19.9	19.5	19.0	19.2	19.8	20.2	20.4	20.5	20.5	20.7	21.3	22.0	22.6	23.9	24.7	24.1	24.7
Professional & Business Services	36.8	36.8	36.1	37.5	38.6	39.2	40.5	40.7	41.0	39.3	41.4	41.5	41.4	43.2	44.2	45.7	46.7	47.6	48.2	47.2	44.1	46.6	47.7	46.9	47.8
Education & Health Services	37.0	38.7	39.8	41.1	42.2	43.6	45.2	46.9	48.1	49.3	50.0	50.4	51.8	51.3	51.3	52.3	54.2	56.6	57.3	58.2	57.4	59.6	61.2	59.7	61.9
Leisure & Hospitality	23.9	24.7	24.6	24.9	25.8	27.0	27.8	28.7	29.4	29.3	29.6	29.8	30.5	31.2	32.1	32.9	33.7	34.2	34.4	34.6	29.4	31.9	33.4	32.6	33.6
Other Services	11.9	12.2	12.4	12.9	13.9	14.1	14.5	14.8	15.9	15.6	15.2	15.5	15.8	16.3	16.5	15.5	15.7	16.4	17.2	17.7	17.7	18.2	18.8	18.3	19.0
Government	61.5	62.9	63.7	64.3	64.6	65.2	66.8	68.0	69.1	70.5	71.2	70.8	70.7	71.0	70.8	70.7	70.5	70.2	70.8	70.8	69.0	68.3	68.7	68.4	68.7
Federal	9.7	9.7	9.5	9.4	9.2	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.3	9.5	9.8	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.7	9.6	9.5	9.7	9.7	9.9	9.8	9.9	9.9	9.9
State	NA	NA	NA	28.9	29.4	29.8	30.7	31.4	31.9	33.0	33.3	33.2	33.2	33.8	34.1	34.4	34.7	34.9	35.2	35.6	34.4	33.9	34.0	34.0	33.9
Local	NA	NA	NA	26.0	26.0	26.3	27.0	27.5	27.9	28.0	28.1	28.1	28.0	27.6	27.2	26.7	26.2	25.8	25.9	25.6	24.7	24.5	24.8	24.6	24.9

NA = data not available.

Notes: Numbers may not add to totals due to rounding. Data are reported in thousands. Data for state and local government jobs are not available for years before 2003.

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics



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Table 2. Population and Household Trends in the Little Rock-North Little Rock-Conway HMA, 2000 to Forecast

	2000	2010	Current	Forecast	Average Annual Change					
					2000 to 2010		2010 to Current		Current to Forecast	
					Number	Rate (%)	Number	Rate (%)	Number	Rate (%)
Population										
Little Rock-North Little Rock-Conway HMA	610,518	699,757	762,400	779,700	8,925	1.4	4,825	0.7	5,750	0.8
Households										
Little Rock-North Little Rock-Conway HMA	241,094	279,225	313,200	321,300	3,825	1.5	2,625	0.9	2,700	0.9

Notes: The current date is April 1, 2023. The forecast date is April 1, 2026.  
Sources: 2000 and 2010—2000 Census and 2010 Census; current and forecast—estimates by the analyst



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**Table 3. Housing Inventory, Tenure, and Vacancy in the Little Rock-North Little Rock-Conway HMA, 2000, 2010, and Current**

	Little Rock-North Little Rock-Conway HMA		
	2000	2010	Current
Total Housing Inventory	261,917	306,882	345,675
Occupied Units	241,094	279,225	313,200
Owner-Occupied	160,466	181,770	196,900
%	66.6	65.1	62.9
Renter-Occupied	80,628	97,455	116,300
%	33.4	34.9	37.1
Vacant Units	20,823	27,657	32,475
Available Units	11,232	14,877	15,475
For Sale	3,094	3,872	3,075
Rate (%)	1.9	2.1	1.5
For Rent	8,138	11,005	12,400
Rate (%)	9.2	10.1	9.6
Other Vacant	9,591	12,780	17,000

**Notes:** The current date is April 1, 2023. 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:** 2000 and 2010—2000 Census and 2010 Census; current—estimates by the analyst



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**Table 4. Residential Building Permit Activity in the Little Rock-North Little Rock-Conway HMA, 2000 Through March 2023**

Type of Building Permit	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	12 Months Ending	
																								March 2022	March 2023
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Total	2,960	3,366	5,015	4,183	5,525	5,748	5,094	4,571	3,534	3,194	3,559	3,230	3,313	3,894	2,082	2,956	2,327	3,215	2,361	3,005	3,087	3,770	3,280	3,585	2,886
Sales	2,240	2,474	2,764	3,658	3,610	4,302	3,800	3,036	1,914	1,781	1,896	1,514	1,851	1,681	1,514	1,487	1,649	2,087	1,831	1,921	2,194	2,505	1,807	2,708	1,628
Rental	720	892	2,251	525	1,915	1,446	1,294	1,535	1,620	1,413	1,663	1,716	1,462	2,213	568	1,469	678	1,128	530	1,084	893	1,265	1,473	877	1,258

Sources: U.S. Census Bureau, Building Permits Survey; 2000 through 2022—final data and estimates by the analyst; past 24 months preliminary data and estimates by the analyst



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**Table 5. Median Income in the Little Rock-North Little Rock-Conway HMA, 1999, 2009, and 2021**

	Median Income (\$)			Average Annual Change (%)	
	1999	2009	2021	1999 to 2009	2009 to 2021
Median Family Income	45,900	60,700	71,500	2.8	1.4
Median Household Income	39,145	45,967	58,357	1.6	2.0

Sources: Median family income—HUD, Office of Policy Development and Research; 1999 median household income—2000 Census; 2009 and 2021 median household income—U.S. Census Bureau, 2009 and 2021 American Community Survey 1-year data

