

Table 1. Labor Force and Employment in the Little Rock HMA,* 2000 to Current

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	12 Months Ending	
																		August 2016	August 2017
Labor force	311.5	310.3	311.7	312.7	323.1	334.4	337.4	340.6	344.2	341.5	347.8	350.3	348.5	342.5	339.9	347.5	350.5	350.7	352.0
Resident employment	300.0	297.0	296.5	296.3	306.8	318.8	321.8	325.0	328.0	318.7	323.0	324.8	325.2	320.3	321.3	331.9	338.0	337.7	340.4
Unemployment	11.4	13.3	15.2	16.4	16.3	15.6	15.6	15.6	16.2	22.9	24.9	25.5	23.3	22.2	18.5	15.7	12.4	13.0	11.6
Unemployment rate (%)	3.7	4.3	4.9	5.2	5.1	4.7	4.6	4.6	4.7	6.7	7.2	7.3	6.7	6.5	5.4	4.5	3.5	3.7	3.3
Total nonfarm payroll jobs	321.6	324.3	320.8	323.5	328.2	332.9	340.9	346.1	347.9	338.3	337.6	338.8	342.5	344.6	345.7	350.2	353.9	353.5	355.0
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	37.2	37.6	36.9
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	17.0	17.3	16.8
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	20.2	20.3	20.1
Service-providing sectors	271.9	276.8	276.2	280.3	285.5	289.9	297.1	301.8	304.2	298.9	300.5	301.9	305.4	308.5	309.3	312.8	316.7	315.9	318.1
Trade	51.8	52.5	51.5	51.1	52.5	53.1	53.7	53.9	54.1	52.2	52.2	52.5	52.6	52.6	52.9	54.0	54.5	54.5	54.7
Wholesale trade	16.1	16.6	16.2	16.2	16.7	17.1	17.5	17.3	17.7	17.1	16.5	16.0	15.7	15.6	15.0	15.2	15.1	15.1	15.0
Retail trade	35.7	35.9	35.3	34.9	35.8	36.0	36.2	36.6	36.4	35.1	35.7	36.5	36.9	37.0	37.9	38.8	39.4	39.4	39.7
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	15.7	15.5	16.0
Information	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.4	9.5	9.3	9.3	9.4	9.0	8.4	7.9	7.6	7.3	7.2	6.6	6.3	6.3	6.4	6.2
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	20.4	20.4	20.5
Professional & business services	39.2	39.6	38.7	40.0	41.1	41.7	43.1	43.4	43.3	41.4	43.5	43.6	43.5	44.8	45.3	46.4	47.0	47.0	47.1
Education & health services	37.0	38.7	39.8	41.1	42.2	43.6	45.2	46.9	48.1	49.3	50.4	50.4	51.8	51.3	51.3	52.3	54.1	53.3	55.8
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	33.6	33.5	33.3
Other services	11.9	12.2	12.4	12.9	13.9	14.1	14.5	14.8	15.9	15.4	14.9	15.2	15.4	15.7	15.9	14.8	14.6	14.5	14.7
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	70.4	70.7	69.8
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	9.6	9.7
State	0.0	0.0	0.0	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	34.6	34.8
Local	0.0	0.0	0.0	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	26.1	26.5	25.3

* Little Rock-North Little Rock-Conway HMA.

Notes: Numbers may not add to totals because of rounding. Data are reported in thousands. Current includes data through August 2017.

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

Table 2. Population and Household Trends in the Little Rock 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 HMA*	610,518	699,757	739,100	753,900	8,925	1.4	5,300	0.7	4,925	0.7
Households										
Little Rock HMA*	241,094	279,225	296,800	303,700	3,825	1.5	2,375	0.8	2,300	0.8

* Little Rock-North Little Rock-Conway HMA.

Notes: Rates of change are calculated on a compound basis. The current date is September 1, 2017. The forecast date is September 1, 2020.

Sources: 2000 and 2010—2000 Census and 2010 Census; current and forecast—estimates by analyst

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

	Little Rock HMA*		
	2000	2010	Current
Total housing inventory	261,917	306,882	326,200
Occupied units	241,094	279,225	296,800
Owner-occupied	160,466	181,770	188,600
%	66.6	65.1	63.5
Renter-occupied	80,628	97,455	108,200
%	33.4	34.9	36.5
Vacant units	20,823	27,657	29,350
Available units	11,232	14,877	14,750
For sale	3,094	3,872	4,050
Rate (%)	1.9	2.1	2.1
For rent	8,138	11,005	10,700
Rate (%)	9.2	10.1	9.0
Other vacant	9,591	12,780	14,600

* Little Rock-North Little Rock-Conway HMA.

Notes: Numbers may not add to totals because of rounding. The current date is September 1, 2017.

Sources: 2000 and 2010—2000 Census and 2010 Census; current—estimates by analyst

Table 4. Residential Building Permit Activity in the Little Rock HMA,* 2000 to Current

Type of Building Permit	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	12 Months Ending	
																		August 2016	August 2017
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Total	4,079	3,646	5,636	4,887	5,557	5,854	5,263	4,504	2,907	3,110	3,949	3,390	3,333	2,495	2,082	2,699	2,302	2,625	2,425
Single-family	2,240	2,474	2,764	3,515	3,590	4,196	3,767	2,877	1,842	1,781	1,896	1,514	1,851	1,681	1,514	1,487	1,624	1,550	1,675
Multifamily	1,839	1,172	2,872	1,372	1,967	1,658	1,496	1,627	1,065	1,329	2,053	1,876	1,482	814	568	1,212	678	1,075	750

* Little Rock-North Little Rock-Conway HMA.

Notes: Numbers may not add to totals because of rounding. Current includes data through August 2017.

Sources: U.S. Census Bureau, Building Permits Survey; estimates by analyst

Table 5. Median Income in the Little Rock HMA,* 1999, 2009, and 2016

	Median Income (\$)			Average Annual Change (%)	
	1999	2009	2016	1999 to 2009	2009 to 2016
Median Family Income	45,900	60,700	62,800	2.8	0.5
Median household income	39,145	45,967	51,501	1.6	1.6

* Little Rock-North Little Rock-Conway HMA.

Sources: Median Family Income—U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Office of Policy Development and Research; 1999 median household income—2000 Census; 2009 and 2016 median household income—U.S. Census Bureau, 2009 and 2016 American Community Survey 1-year data