

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Estimates in this release are based on the Current Employment Statistics (CES) survey conducted quarterly by the Guam Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor's Employment and Training Administration.

Employment Concepts

Employment data, except those for the Federal Government, refer to persons on establishment payrolls who received pay for any part of the pay period, which includes the 12th of the month. For Federal Government establishments, employment figures represent the number of persons who occupied positions on the last day of the calendar month. Intermittent workers are counted if they performed any service during the month.

The data excludes proprietors, the self-employed, unpaid volunteer or family workers. And domestic workers in households. Salaried officers of corporations are included. Government employment covers only civilian employees; military personnel are excluded.

Persons on establishment payrolls who are on sick leave (when pay is received directly from the firm), on paid holiday or paid vacation, or who work during a part of the pay period and are unemployed or on strike during the rest of the period, are counted as employed. The CES survey counts a person employed by two or more establishments at each place of employment. Not counted as employed are persons who are laid off, on leave without pay, or on strike for the entire period or who are hired but have not been paid during the period.

Industrial Classification

Establishments reporting on Form BLS-CES 3 are classified into industries on the basis of their principal product or activity determined from information on annual sales volume. This information is collected on a supplement to the quarterly shuttle questionnaire. For an establishment making more than one product or engaged in more than one activity, the entire employment is included under the industry indicated by the most important product or activity. Employment series are classified in accordance with the Standard Industrial Classification Manual, U.S. Office of Management and Budget. The 1972 Classification was used for the CES until March 1989 when a change to the 1987 edition was made.

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Employment Highlights

The March 2013 preliminary statistics show the total number of private sector jobs were virtually unchanged in the latest quarter while both the Federal and Guam Governments job counts declined slightly. Total Guam employment declined by 140 in the latest quarter but was up by 820 over the year.

The Construction and Service industries including Hotels and other Services had modest job gains in the latest quarter.

Over the year, the private sector gained 1,000 jobs in total, led by an increase of 590 jobs in Construction, followed by a gain of 420 jobs in Hotels and 220 in Transportation and Public Utilities.

Federal employment decreased 60 jobs this quarter and was down 80 from the prior year's figures. Government of Guam total employment decreased by 70 this quarter and the cumulative over-the-year reduction was 100 jobs.

Private average hourly earnings, average weekly hours paid and average weekly earnings all decreased slightly in the latest quarter but all remain above the comparable figures of one year ago.

EMPLOYEES ON PAYROLL BY OWNERSHIP AND INDUSTRY					EMPLOYMENT BY SEX		PRODUCTION WORKERS, WAGES, HOURS AND EARNINGS ¹				
	March ^r 2012	June ^r 2012	September ^r 2012	December ^r 2012	March ^p 2013	March 2013		Production Workers	Average Hourly Earnings	Average Weekly Hours Paid	Average Weekly Earnings
						Male	Female				
<u>PRIVATE SECTOR</u>											
AGRICULTURE	<u>170</u>	<u>160</u>	<u>140</u>	<u>140</u>	<u>150</u>	<u>130</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>130</u>	<u>\$9.61</u>	<u>35.3</u>	<u>\$339.38</u>
CONSTRUCTION	<u>6,040</u>	<u>6,210</u>	<u>6,310</u>	<u>6,540</u>	<u>6,630</u>	<u>6,180</u>	<u>450</u>	<u>4,900</u>	<u>14.74</u>	<u>40.1</u>	<u>591.76</u>
General building contractors	4,610	4,740	4,880	4,910	5,070	<u>4,770</u>	300	3,880	14.39	40.2	578.35
Heavy construction, ex. building	390	310	230	230	230	<u>220</u>	10	180	20.14	50.2	1,011.72
Special trade contractors	1,040	1,160	1,200	1,400	1,330	<u>1,190</u>	140	840	13.37	30.6	408.86
MANUFACTURING	<u>1,660</u>	<u>1,730</u>	<u>1,710</u>	<u>1,660</u>	<u>1,610</u>	<u>1,260</u>	<u>350</u>	<u>1,010</u>	<u>14.56</u>	<u>37.9</u>	<u>552.41</u>
Food and kindred products	460	470	470	470	460	<u>310</u>	150	230	9.93	36.9	336.22
Printing and publishing	310	310	310	310	300	<u>160</u>	140	100	13.47	36.2	487.32
All other manufacturing	890	950	930	880	850	<u>790</u>	60	680	16.16	38.5	621.93
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	<u>4,480</u>	<u>4,540</u>	<u>4,540</u>	<u>4,670</u>	<u>4,700</u>	<u>2,850</u>	<u>1,850</u>	<u>3,890</u>	<u>18.91</u>	<u>38.8</u>	<u>733.09</u>
WHOLESALE TRADE	<u>2,200</u>	<u>2,230</u>	<u>2,250</u>	<u>2,320</u>	<u>2,260</u>	<u>1,550</u>	<u>710</u>	<u>1,800</u>	<u>10.21</u>	<u>38.8</u>	<u>396.63</u>
RETAIL TRADE	<u>11,430</u>	<u>11,320</u>	<u>11,560</u>	<u>11,730</u>	<u>11,600</u>	<u>5,470</u>	<u>6,130</u>	<u>10,080</u>	<u>10.80</u>	<u>31.1</u>	<u>335.75</u>
FINANCE, INSURANCE & REAL ESTATE	<u>2,580</u>	<u>2,600</u>	<u>2,530</u>	<u>2,520</u>	<u>2,480</u>	<u>750</u>	<u>1,730</u>	<u>1,660</u>	<u>13.57</u>	<u>38.6</u>	<u>524.53</u>
SERVICES	<u>16,530</u>	<u>16,010</u>	<u>16,410</u>	<u>16,520</u>	<u>16,660</u>	<u>9,040</u>	<u>7,620</u>	<u>14,420</u>	<u>11.18</u>	<u>37.1</u>	<u>415.23</u>
Hotels and other lodging places	5,370	5,410	5,570	5,720	5,790	<u>2,980</u>	2,810	4,700	8.62	37.8	326.06
All other services	11,160	10,600	10,840	10,800	10,870	<u>6,060</u>	4,810	9,720	14.17	36.4	515.45
TOTAL PRIVATE SECTOR	<u>45,090</u>	<u>44,800</u>	<u>45,450</u>	<u>46,100</u>	<u>46,090</u>	<u>27,230</u>	<u>18,860</u>	<u>37,890</u>	<u>\$12.87</u>	<u>36.4</u>	<u>\$468.38</u>
<u>PUBLIC SECTOR</u>											
FEDERAL GOVERNMENT	<u>4,080</u>	<u>4,020</u>	<u>3,990</u>	<u>4,060</u>	<u>4,000</u>	<u>1,990</u>	<u>2,010</u>				
GOVERNMENT OF GUAM	<u>11,760</u>	<u>11,400</u>	<u>11,820</u>	<u>11,730</u>	<u>11,660</u>	<u>5,460</u>	<u>6,200</u>		\$20.53 ²	40.8	\$837.13
Executive branch (Includes D.O.E.)	7,020	6,860	7,020	6,980	6,970						
All others including autonomous	4,740	4,540	4,800	4,750	4,690						
TOTAL PUBLIC SECTOR	<u>15,840</u>	<u>15,420</u>	<u>15,810</u>	<u>15,790</u>	<u>15,660</u>	<u>7,450</u>	<u>8,210</u>				
<u>TOTAL PAYROLL EMPLOYMENT</u>	<u>60,930</u>	<u>60,220</u>	<u>61,260</u>	<u>61,890</u>	<u>61,750</u>	<u>34,680</u>	<u>27,070</u>				

¹ Wages, Hours, and Earnings information is reported for production (nonsupervisory) workers only. Earnings are "gross", they reflect not only changes in basic hourly wage rates, but also such factors as premium pay for overtime work and shift differentials. Average weekly hours information is different from standard or scheduled hours because of such factors as absenteeism, labor turnover, part-time, overtime work, and stoppages. Due to the rounding of the Earnings and Hours Paid figures, their multiple may differ from the average weekly earnings rate shown.

² Government figures include all employees and are not directly comparable to private sector production worker estimates.

^p Figures are preliminary

^r Revised estimates

^{up} Updated preliminary figures