

Louisiana's Labor Market: Trends and Insights

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Labor Market Information

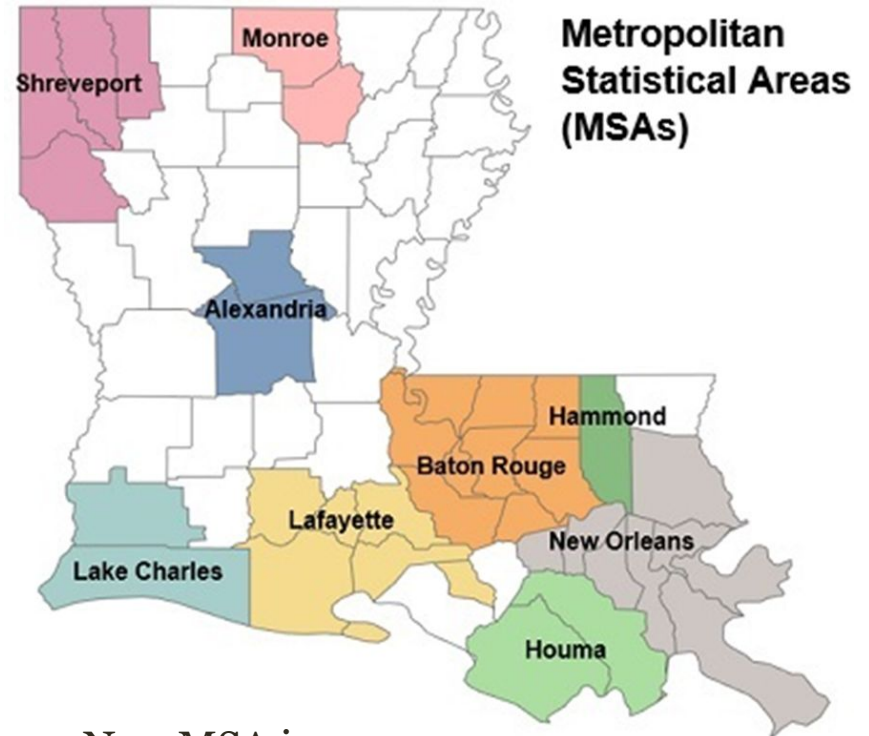
- Data on employment, wages, unemployment, labor force participation, etc.
 - Produced in partnership with the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS)
 - Seasonally Adjusted and Not Seasonally Adjusted data series
- Industry and Occupation Employment Projections
- Information and Planning tools online
 - Star Jobs
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RLMA & MSA

RLMAs



MSAs*



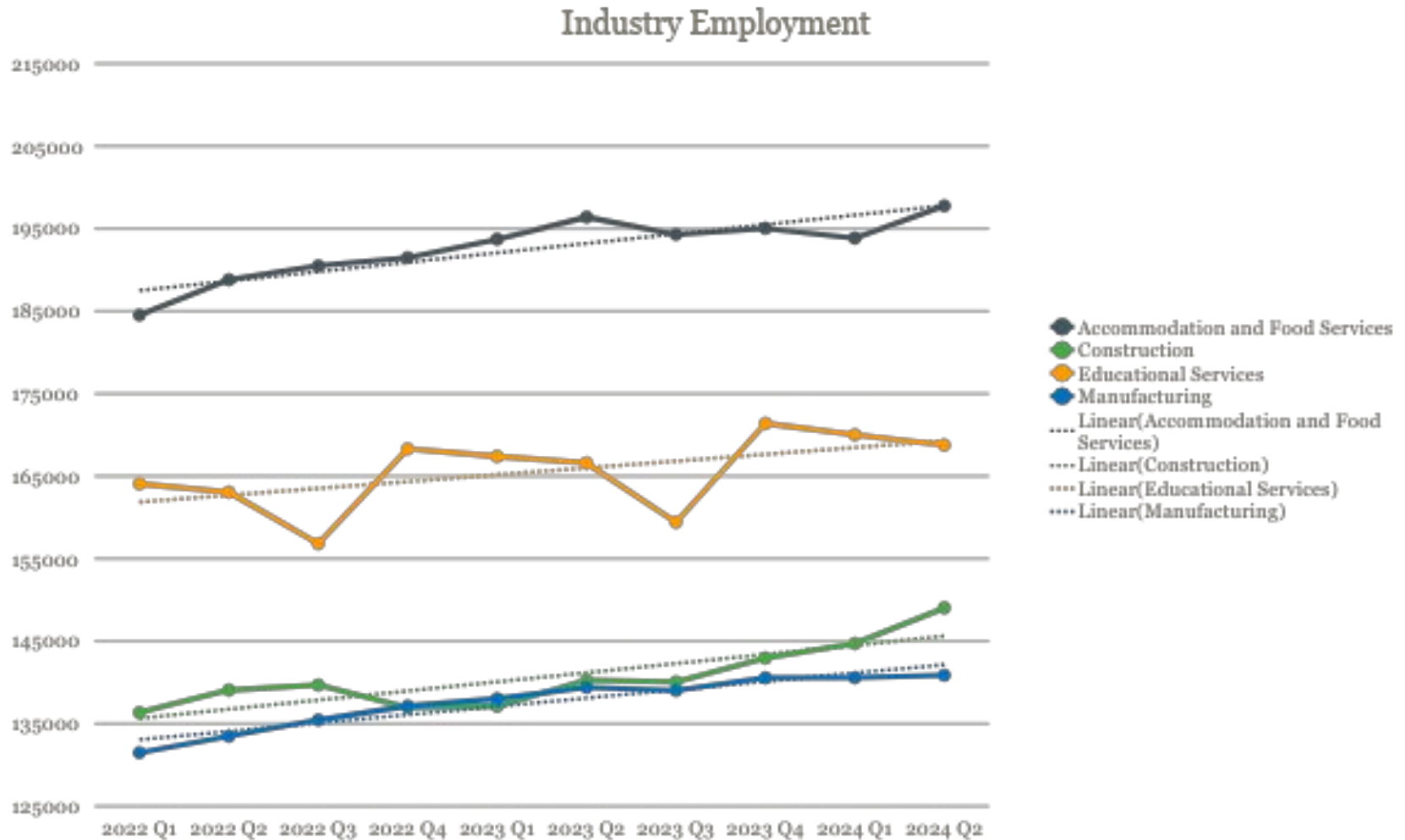
- New MSA in 2025:
 - Slidell-Mandeville-Covington, LA Metropolitan Statistical Area
 - Single parish MSA of St. Tammany parish

*map is under revision

Common Workforce Economic Indicators

- Unemployment Rate (LAUS)
 - 4.4% (Dec 2024)
- Payroll Employment (CES & QCEW)
 - 1,971,400 seasonally adjusted total nonfarm employment (Dec 2024)
- Civilian Labor Force Participation Rate (LAUS)
 - 58.4% (Dec 2024)
- Civilian Labor Force Participation (LAUS)
 - 2,069,044 (Dec 2024)
- Consumer Price Index (CPI)
 - Increased 0.4% on a seasonally adjusted basis in December 2024.
- Gross Domestic Product (GDP)
 - Real GDP increased 3.1% in 2024 Q3 and 2.3% in 2024 Q4.

Industry Employment Trends



Source: Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages

Industry Employment Distribution

Rank	Industry Sector	Number of Establishments	Number of Employees
1	Health Care and Social Assistance	18,327	326,327
2	Retail Trade	19,064	214,429
3	Accommodation and Food Services	12,737	197,767
4	Educational Services	2,292	168,764
5	Construction	12,994	149,034
6	Manufacturing	4,607	140,882
7	Administrative and Waste Services	9,954	107,517
8	Professional and Technical Services	21,615	98,430
9	Public Administration	3,276	94,669
10	Transportation and Warehousing	5,950	84,894

2022-2032 Industry Employment Projections

- Top Growing Industry Sectors by numerical change

Industry	Base 2022 Employment	Projected 2032 Employment	Numerical Change	Percent Change
Health Care and Social Assistance	294,363	323,278	28,915	9.8%
Construction	125,739	140,235	14,496	11.5%
Manufacturing	131,459	142,022	10,563	8.0%
Other Services, Except Public Administration	166,854	172,632	5,778	3.5%
Educational Services	162,503	167,973	5,470	3.4%

2022-2032 Leading Occupations

Occupation	SOC Code	Base 2022	Projected 2032	Numerical Change	Percent Change
Home Health and Personal Care Aides	31-1120	36,544	44,947	8,403	23.0%
Registered Nurses	29-1141	43,736	47,036	3,300	7.5%
Cooks, Restaurant	35-2014	14,134	17,301	3,167	22.4%
Stockers and Order Fillers	53-7065	27,537	30,191	2,654	9.6%
General and Operations Managers	11-1021	38,675	40,942	2,267	5.9%
Nurse Practitioners	29-1171	4,471	6,420	1,949	43.6%
Medical and Health Services Managers	11-9111	6,569	8,471	1,902	29.0%
Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand	53-7062	37,120	38,823	1,703	4.6%
Nursing Assistants	31-1131	17,981	19,570	1,589	8.8%

CIP to SOC Crosswalk

- CIP (classification of instructional programs) codes identify educational programs of study in higher education.
- SOC (standard Occupational classification) codes classify occupations into standardized categories.
- There is a CIP to SOC crosswalk as part of a joint effort by BLS and the National Center for Educational Statistics
 - Matches 6-digit CIP codes from the 2020 classification to the 2018 SOC code taxonomy.
- Aids in analysis of outcomes.

LMI Products and Tools

- Louisiana Occupational Information System (LOIS)
- Employment and Wages – Annually & Quarterly
- Workforce At A Glance (WAAG) Monthly Employment Bulletin & Tableau Dashboards
- Occupational Safety & Health Statistics
- Occupational Wage Data (OEWS)
- Projections by Occupation & Industry
- Unemployment Insurance (UI) Claims Data
- Annual Workforce Development Report
- [Louisiana STAR Jobs](#)
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