

# LABOR AREA SUMMARIES

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## GRAND ISLAND MSA<sup>1</sup>

(NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)



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## LABOR FORCE DATA<sup>2</sup>

	Preliminary		Changes		% Change	
	Dec-25	Nov-25	Dec-24 <sup>3</sup>	OTM <sup>4</sup>	OTY <sup>4</sup>	OTM
<b>Unemployment Rate</b>	3.2	3.0	2.9	0.2	0.3	—
<b>Labor Force</b>	43,663	43,703	42,856	-40	807	-0.1
<b>Unemployment</b>	1,409	1,294	1,264	115	145	8.9
<b>Employment</b>	42,254	42,409	41,592	-155	662	-0.4

## NON-FARM EMPLOYMENT<sup>5</sup>

BY PLACE OF WORK

<b>December Total Non-Farm</b>	<b>40,513</b>
OTM Change	-117 (-0.3%)
OTY Change	-366 (-0.9%)

<sup>1</sup> Grand Island MSA includes Hall, Howard & Merrick Counties in Nebraska

<sup>2</sup> Sources: Local Area Unemployment Statistics Program (LAUS), Nebraska Department of Labor; Bureau of Labor Statistics, US Department of Labor

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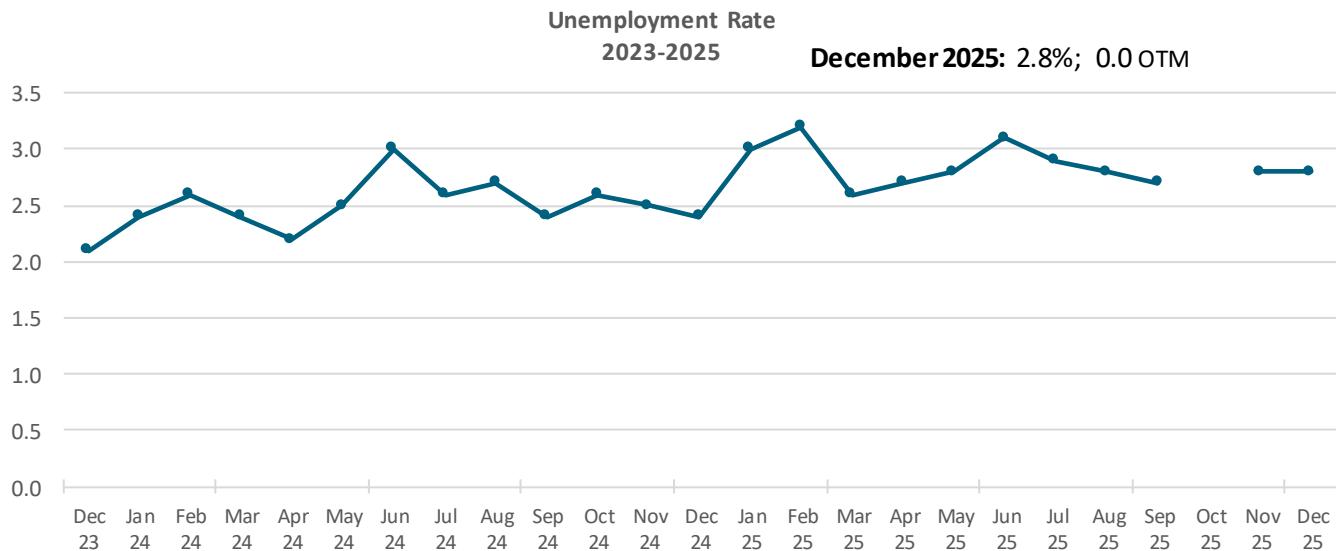
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## LINCOLN MSA<sup>1</sup> (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)



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## LABOR FORCE DATA<sup>2</sup>

	Preliminary		Changes		% Change	
	Dec-25	Nov-25	Dec-24 <sup>3</sup>	OTM <sup>4</sup>	OTY <sup>4</sup>	OTM
Unemployment Rate	2.8	2.8	2.4	0.0	0.4	—
Labor Force	201,236	203,213	195,025	-1,977	6,211	-1.0
Unemployment	5,639	5,783	4,615	-144	1,024	-2.5
Employment	195,597	197,430	190,410	-1,833	5,187	-0.9

## NON-FARM EMPLOYMENT<sup>5</sup> BY PLACE OF WORK

December Total Non-Farm	199,526	Manufacturing	14,235
OTM Change	-655 (-0.3%)	OTM Change	24 (0.2%)
OTY Change	204 (0.1%)	OTY Change	-442 (-3.0%)
<b>Largest OTM Increase (private)</b>		<b>Largest OTY Increase (private)</b>	
Trade, Transportation, & Utilities	76 (0.2%)	Private Education & Health Services	1,676 (4.9%)
Other Services	64 (0.8%)	Mining & Construction	212 (2.0%)

<sup>1</sup> Lincoln MSA (Metropolitan Statistical Area) includes Lancaster and Seward Counties in Nebraska

<sup>2</sup> Sources: Local Area Unemployment Statistics Program (LAUS), Nebraska Department of Labor; Bureau of Labor Statistics, US Department of Labor

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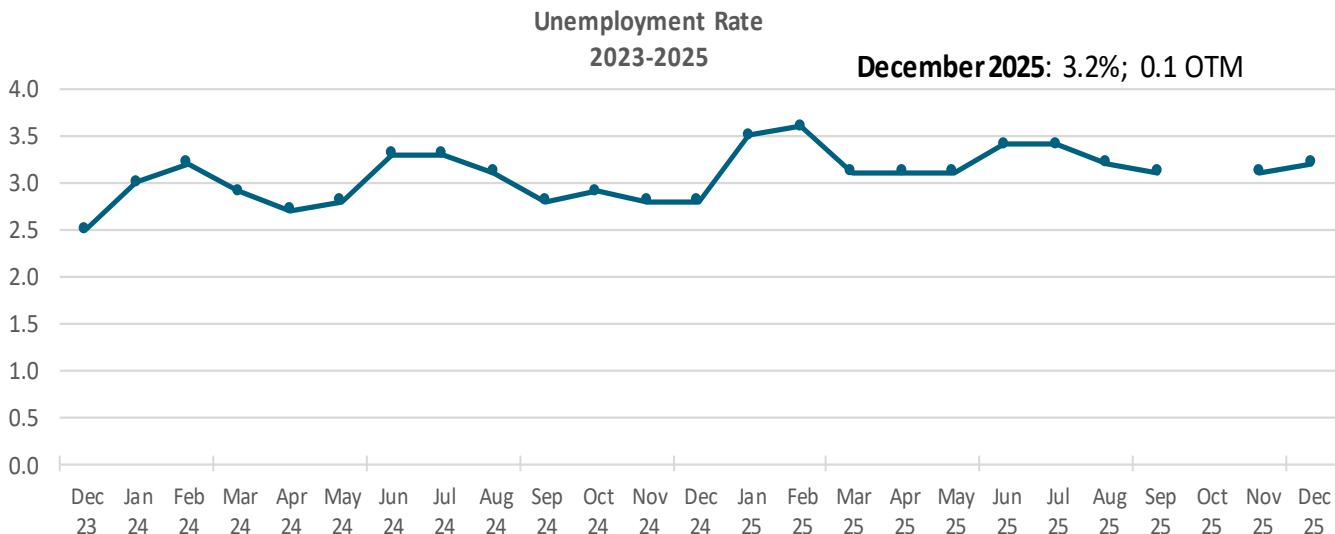
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## OMAHA MSA<sup>1</sup> (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)



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	Preliminary		Changes		% Change	
	Dec-25	Nov-25	Dec-24 <sup>3</sup>	OTM <sup>4</sup>	OTY <sup>4</sup>	OTM
<b>Unemployment Rate</b>	3.2	3.1	2.8	0.1	0.4	—
<b>Labor Force</b>	539,406	546,040	526,317	-6,634	13,089	-1.2
<b>Unemployment</b>	17,118	16,807	14,537	311	2,581	1.9
<b>Employment</b>	522,288	529,233	511,780	-6,945	10,508	-1.3

## NON-FARM EMPLOYMENT<sup>5</sup> BY PLACE OF WORK

<b>December Total Non-Farm</b>	<b>515,186</b>	<b>Manufacturing</b>	<b>34,616</b>
OTM Change	-3,502 (-0.7%)	OTM Change	125 (0.4%)
OTY Change	-2,795 (-0.5%)	OTY Change	-1,225 (-3.4%)
<b>Largest OTM Increase (private)</b>		<b>Largest OTY Increase (private)</b>	
Trade, Transportation, & Utilities	813 (0.9%)	Private Education & Health Services	3,323 (3.6%)
Other Services	164 (0.9%)	Mining & Construction	1,782 (5.6%)

<sup>1</sup> Omaha MSA (Metropolitan Statistical Area) includes Cass, Douglas, Sarpy, Saunders and Washington counties in Nebraska and Pottawattamie, Mills and Harrison counties in Iowa

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