# U.S. Economy Gained 678,000 Jobs In February, 2022 

## THREE-MONTH CHANGE IN JOB CREATION ${ }^{1}$

December, 2021
199,000
January, 2022
467,000
February, 2022
678,000

## ONE-MONTH CHANGE IN JOB GROWTH BY INDUSTRY 1

| Industry | $\begin{array}{r}\text { People } \\ \text { Employed }\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r}\text { People } \\ \text { Emuary, 2022 }\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r}\text { Gain } \\ \text { or }\end{array}$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| February, 2022 |  |  |  |$]$

FEBRUARY HIRES BY BUSINESS SIZE
(ADP Payroll Survey reports 474,000 jobs gained) ${ }^{2}$

|  |  | 552,000 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Small <br> Business <br> (1 to 49 <br> people) | Medium <br> Business <br> (50 to 499 <br> people) | Large <br> Business <br> (500+ <br> people) |
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## 157,722,000 People Were Employed In February, 2022

## THREE MONTH CHANGE IN EMPLOYMENT

| December, 2021 | 155,975,000 |
| :---: | :---: |
| January, 2022 | 157,174,000 |
| February, 2022 | 157,722,000 |

ONE-MONTH CHANGE IN EMPLOYMENT BY OCCUPATION ${ }^{1}$

| Occupation | People <br> Employed <br> January, 2022 | People <br> February, 2022 | Gain <br> or <br> Loss |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Management | $27,414,000$ | $29,131,000$ | $1,717,000$ |
| Professional | $37,058,000$ | $38,624,000$ | $1,566,000$ |
| Services | $22,574,000$ | $24,228,000$ | $1,654,000$ |
| Sales | $14,630,000$ | $14,927,000$ | 297,000 |
| Office, administrative | $15,819,000$ | $16,456,000$ | 637,000 |
| Farming, fishing, forestry | $1,006,000$ | 963,000 | $-43,000$ |
| Construction, extraction | $7,497,000$ | $8,286,000$ | 789,000 |
| Installation, maintenance | $4,706,000$ | $4,842,000$ | 136,000 |
| Production | $7,766,000$ | $7,993,000$ | 227,000 |
| Transportation | $11,052,000$ | $11,492,000$ | 440,000 |

PEOPLE WORKING PART TIME FOR ECONOMIC REASONS 1

| December, 2021 | 4,049,000 |
| :---: | :---: |
| January, 2022 | 4,176,000 |
| February, 2022 | 4,135,000 |

ONE YEAR CHANGE IN HOURS AND WAGES 1

|  | February, 2021 | February, 2022 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Average workweek | 34.6 hours | 34.7 hours |
| Average overtime in manufacturing | 3.2 hours | 3.6 hours |
| Average hourly wage | $\$ 30.04$ | $\$ 31.54$ |
| Average weekly earnings | $\$ 1,039.38$ | $\$ 1,095.83$ |

## 6,270,000 People Were Unemployed In February, 2022

## THREE MONTH CHANGE IN UNEMPLOYMENT 1

| December, 2021 | 6,319,000 |
| :---: | :---: |
| January, 2022 | 6,513,000 |
| February, 2022 | 6,270,000 |

UNEMPLOYMENT RATES IN FEBRUARY, 20221

| A | 3.8 | 3.5 | 3.6 | 10.3 | 3.3 | 6.6 | 3.1 | 4.4 | 4.5 | 2.2 | 3.2 |
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| A5 | US | Men | Women | Teens | White | Black | Asian | Hispanic | High <br> School <br> Diploma | Bachelor <br> Degree + | Gulf II <br> Veterans |


|  | UNEMPLOYMENT BY OCCUPATION 1 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | People Unemployed In February, 2022 | Unemployment Rate |
|  | Management | 638,000 | 2.1 |
|  | Professional | 852,000 | 2.2 |
|  | Services | 1,400,000 | 5.5 |
|  | Sales | 565,000 | 3.6 |
|  | Office, administrative | 747,000 | 4.3 |
|  | Farming, fishing, forestry | 119,000 | 11.0 |
|  | Construction, extraction | 664,000 | 7.4 |
|  | Installation, maintenance, repair | 134,000 | 2.7 |
| A 13 | Production | 413,000 | 4.7 |
|  | Transportation, material moving | 856,000 | 6.9 |

REASON FOR UNEMPLOYMENT
AND LENGTH OF UNEMPLOYMENT


## 99,333,000 People, Age 16 Years And Older, Were Not In The Labor Force In February, 2022

## THREE MONTH CHANGE IN THOSE NOT IN THE LABOR FORCE 1

| December, 2021 | 99,842,000 |
| :---: | :---: |
| January, 2022 | 99,516,000 |
| February, 2022 | 99,333,000 |

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