

SUMMARY

Overall, the Labor Department's August employment report results are balanced. While payroll growth has slowed from the first half of the year, it accelerated from July to August; wage growth accelerated; and unemployed declined.

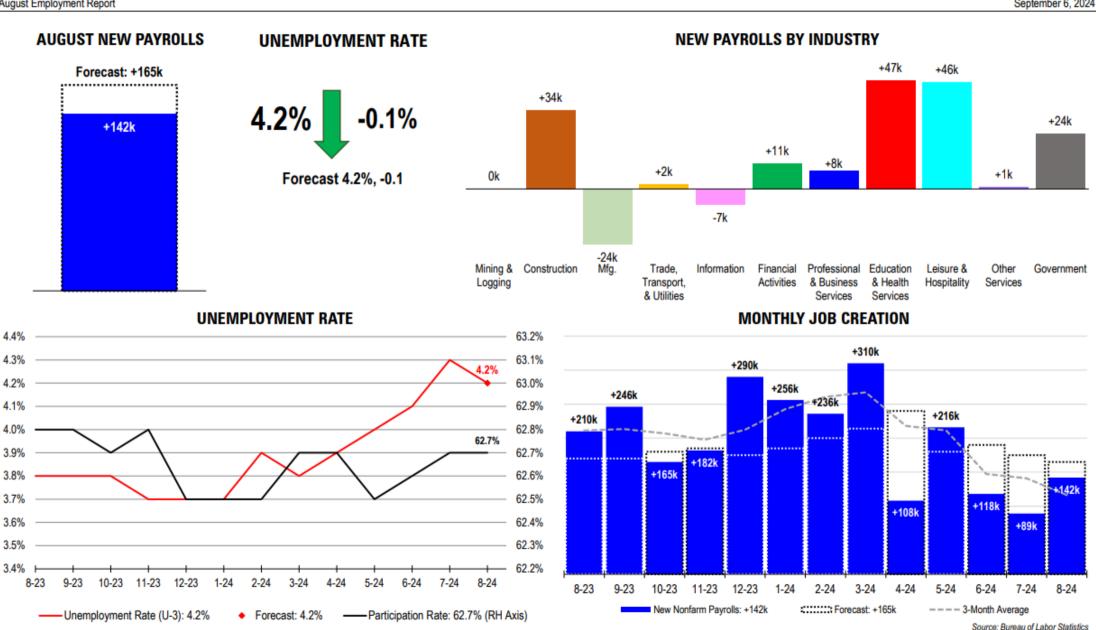
KEY TAKE AWAYS

- **Job creation: 142,000** new payrolls, expected growth was 165,000
- Unemployment Rate declined by 0.1% to 4.2%
- Average Hourly Earnings rose 0.4% for the month



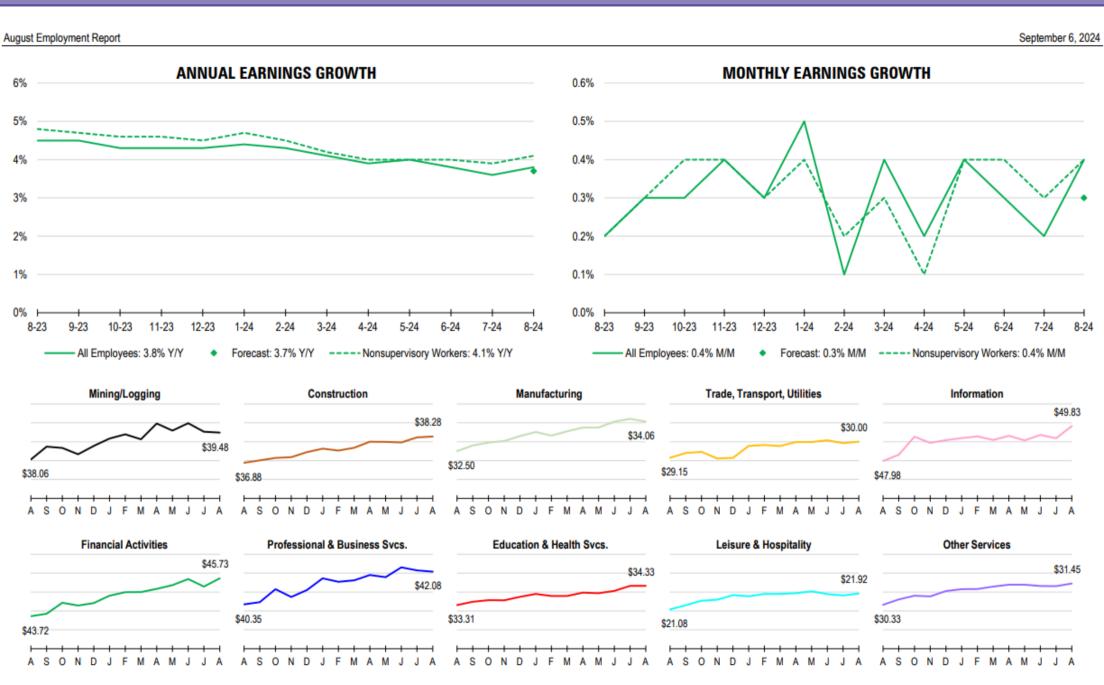


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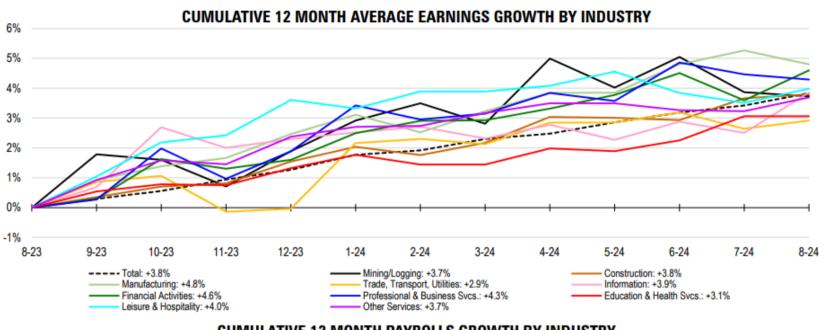




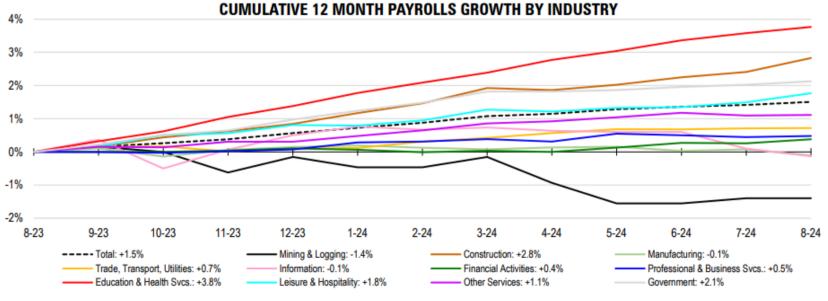




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Monthly Earnings Growth	August
Mining/Logging	-0.1%
Construction	+0.1%
Manufacturing	-0.4%
Trade, Transport, Utilities	+0.3%
Information	+1.3%
Financial Activities	+1.0%
Professional & Business Svcs.	-0.2%
Education & Health Svcs.	0.0%
Leisure & Hospitality	+0.5%
Other Services	+0.4%
Total	+0.4%

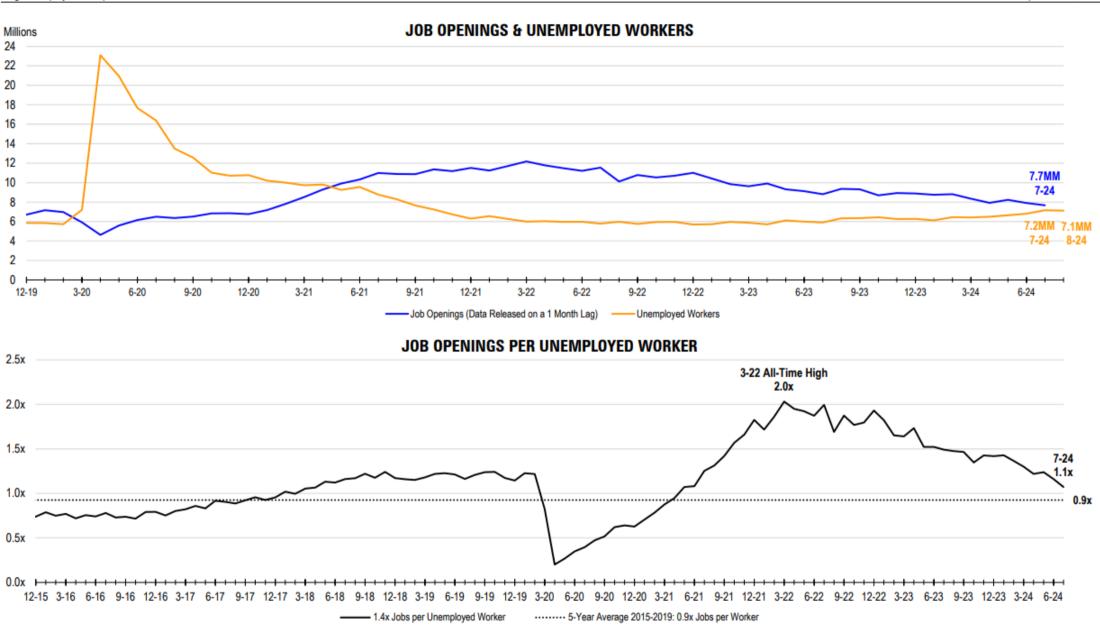


Monthly Payrolls Growth	August
Mining/Logging	0.0%
Construction	+0.4%
Manufacturing	-0.2%
Trade, Transport, Utilities	+0.0%
Information	-0.2%
Financial Activities	+0.1%
Professional & Business Svcs.	+0.0%
Education & Health Svcs.	+0.2%
Leisure & Hospitality	+0.3%
Other Services	+0.0%
Government	+0.1%
Total	+0.1%





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