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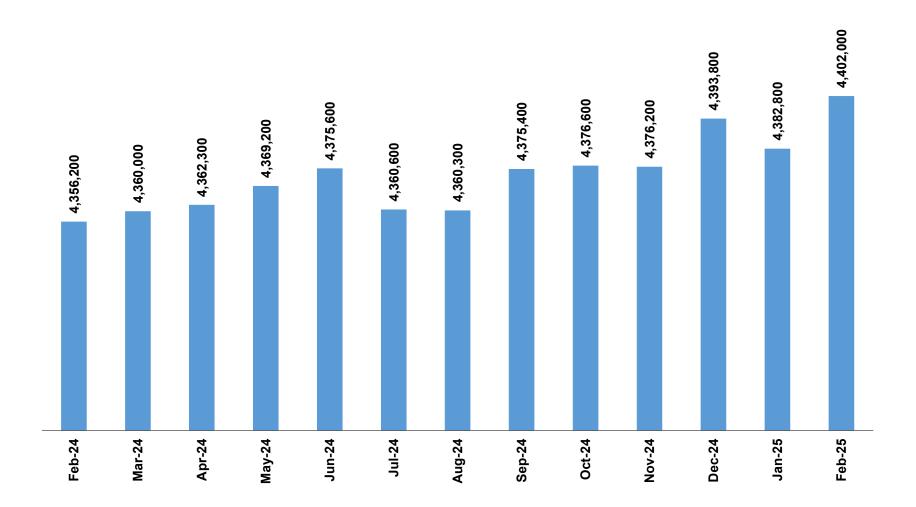
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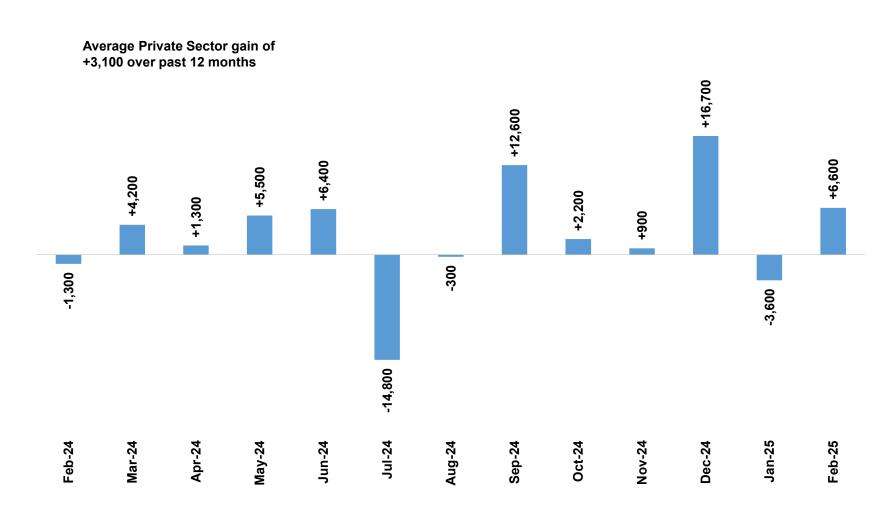




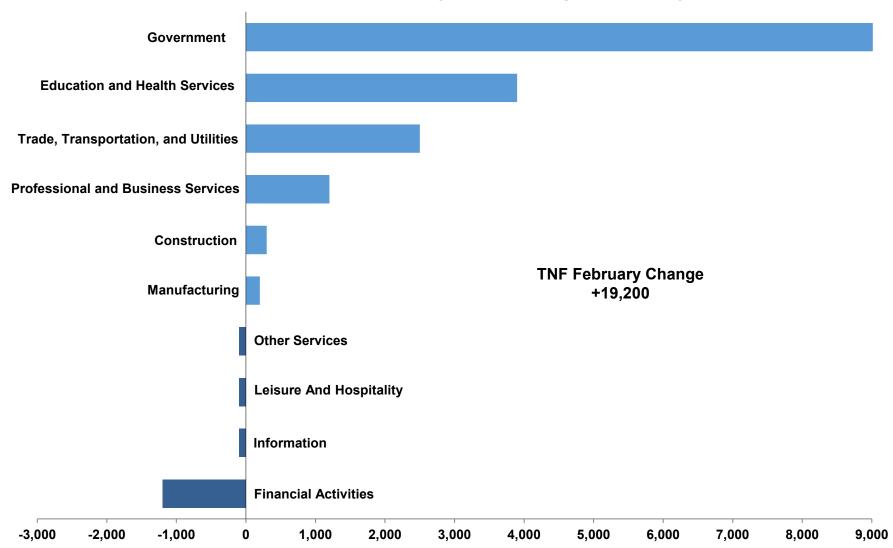
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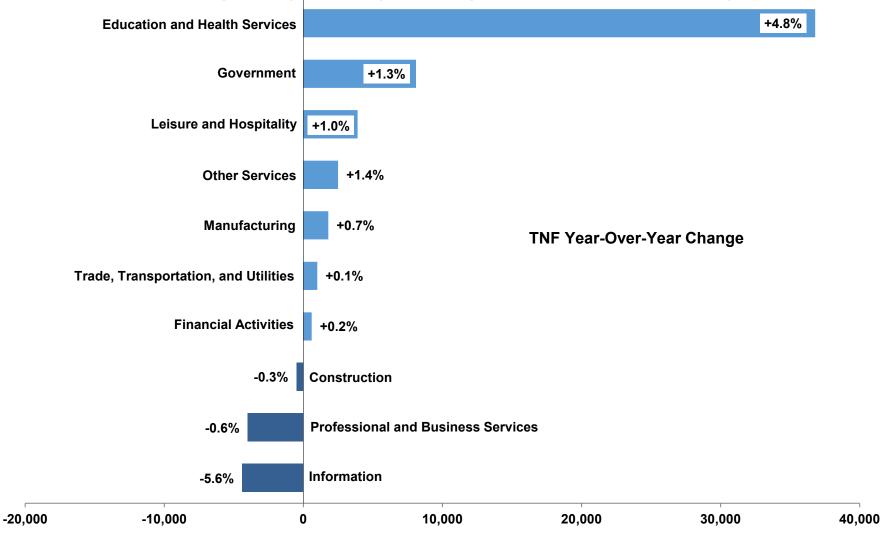


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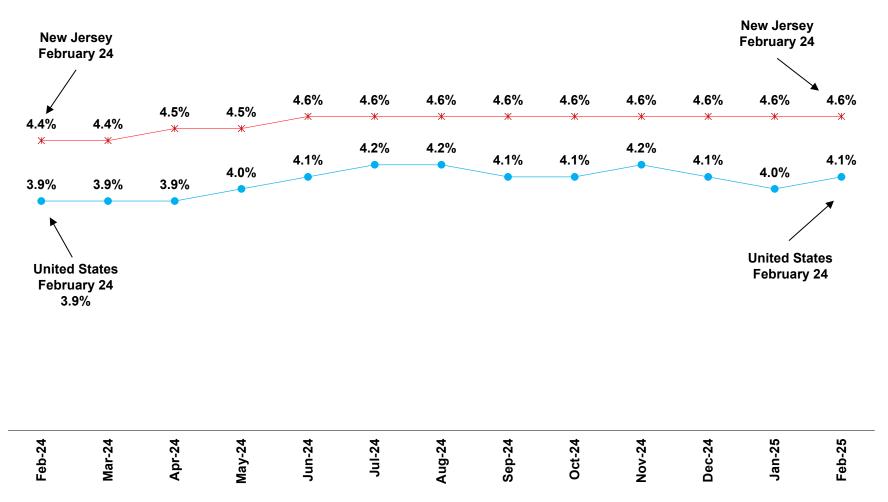
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Percentages are year-over-year changes for that particular industry



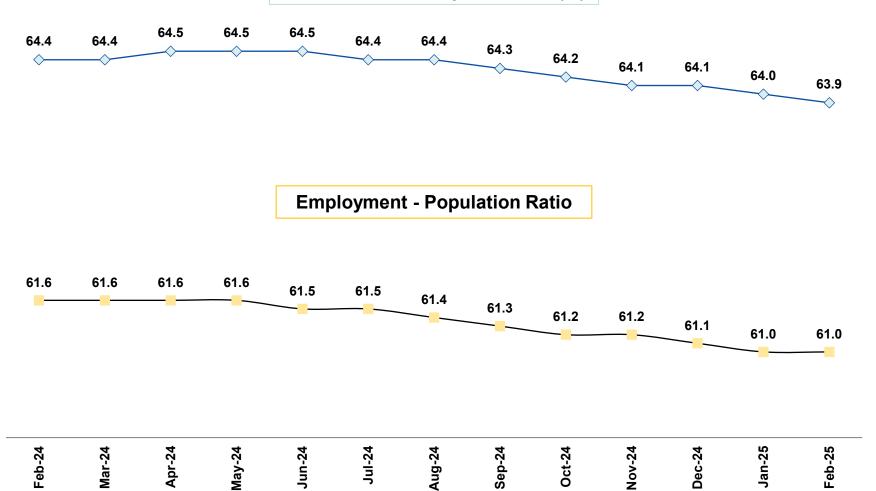
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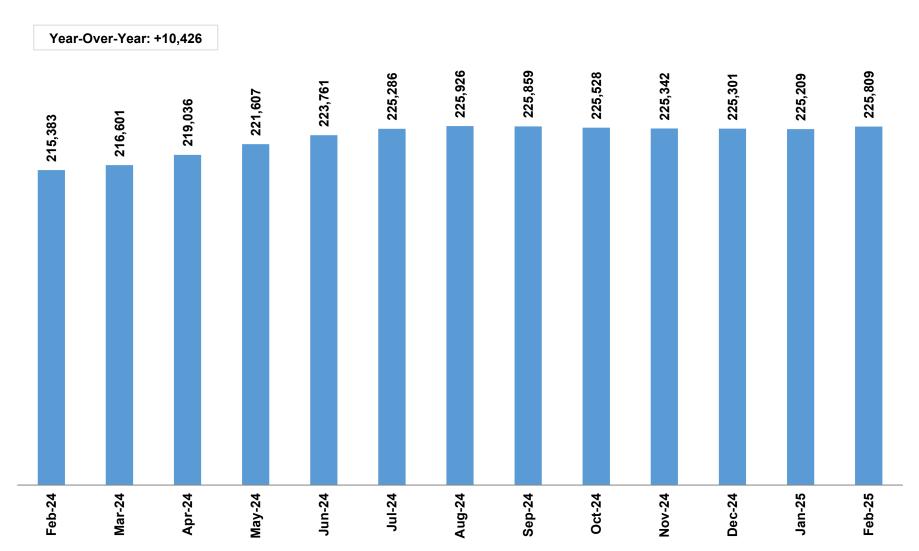


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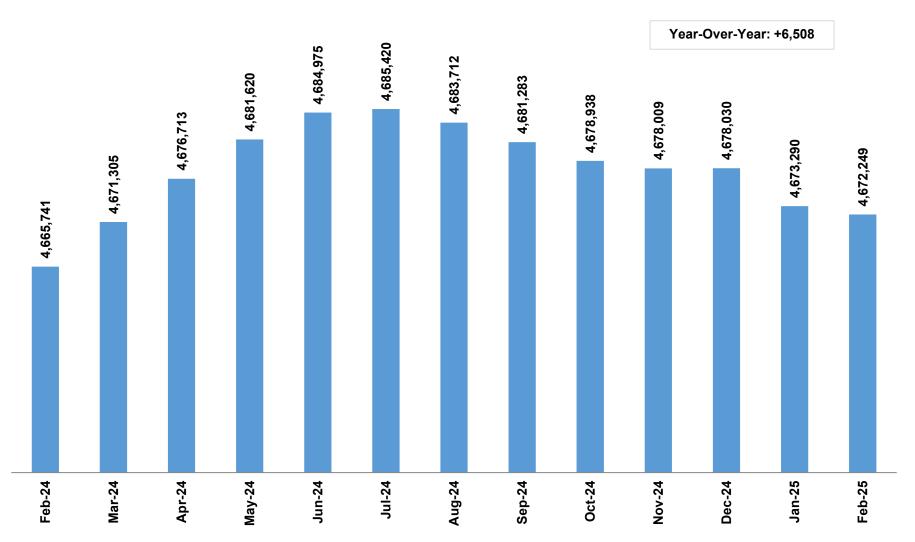
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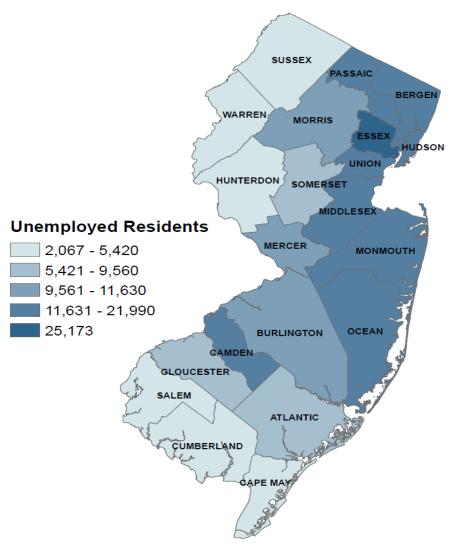
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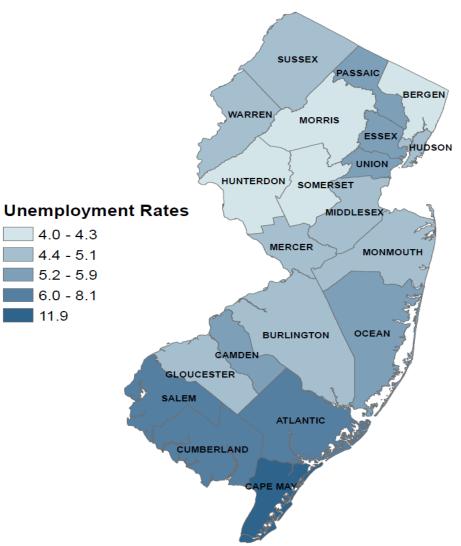


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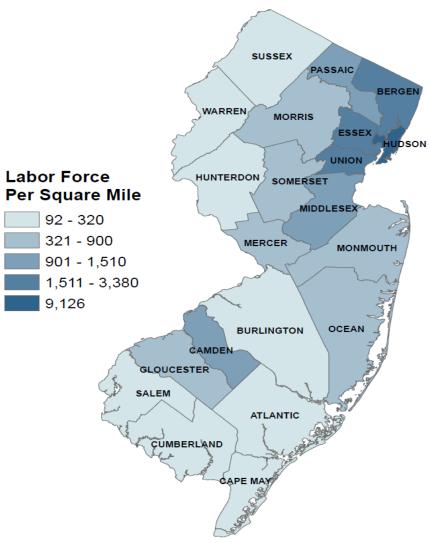


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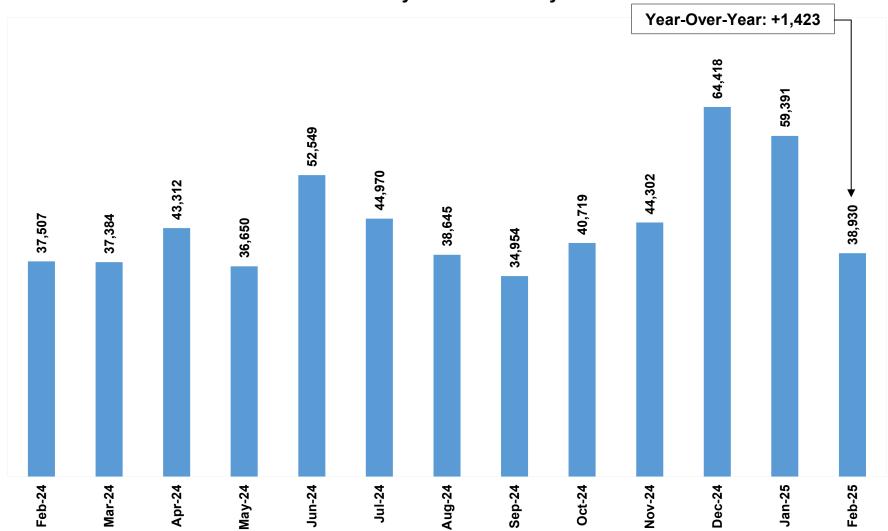


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Monthly Initial Unemployment Claims

February 2024 – February 2025



Real Time Jobs in Demand Top 10 Occupational Listings

Occupation Demand and Employment

SOC CODE*	OCCUPATION TITLE	# of Job Postings 2025	# Employed 2023 (BLS/OES)
29-1141	Registered Nurses	10,426	82,950
15-1252	Software Developers, Applications	4,282	54,570
41-2031	Retail Salespersons	4,176	99,230
29-1123	Physical Therapists	3,346	7,310
53-3032	Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers	2,718	52,580
41-1011	First-Line Supervisors of Retail Sales Workers	2,587	28,390
41-4012	Sales Representatives, Wholesale and Manufacturing	2,489	32,840
43-4051	Customer Service Representatives	2,455	66,550
25-3031	Substitute Teachers, Short-Term	2,323	9,010
11-9111	Medical and Health Services Managers	2,303	17,070

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Real Time Jobs in Demand Top 10 Locations

Cities with the Most Job Postings

City	# of Job Postings 2025		
Newark	7,693		
Jersey City	7,572		
Trenton	6,836		
Princeton	4,254		
New Brunswick	3,287		
Morristown	3,254		
Edison	3,044		
Parsippany	2,588		
Camden	2,394		
Cherry Hill	2,257		

Real Time Jobs in Demand Top 10 Industries

Industry	# of Job Postings 2025
Heatlh Care and Social Assistance	28,385
Administrative and Support and Waste Management	27,347
Professional, Scientific and Technical Services	15,111
Retail Trade	13,602
Manufacturing	10,538
Educational Services	7,856
Finance and Insurance	7,847
Accomondation and Food Services	5,429
Wholesale Trade	4,600
Construction	3,526

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