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Missouri Leads Nation in Job Growth in September with 3,800 New Jobs Created

Missourians Have Created 78,000 Jobs Since January 2005

JEFFERSON CITY—Missouri led the nation in the total number of jobs created in September on a seasonally adjusted basis according to data released today by the Federal Bureau of Labor statistics. Missourians created 3,800 jobs in September bringing the total number of jobs created since January 2005 to 78,000.

This is Missouri's second straight month of job growth.

Missouri's unemployment rate also decreased to 6.4 percent from 6.7 percent in August. Missouri was recently ranked #1 in the nation in manufacturing and logistics according to a report by Ball State University's Bureau of Business Research and September saw an increase of 3,500 manufacturing jobs in Missouri.

All of Missouri's metropolitan areas experienced job growth in September shown here:

St. Louis: 11,400
Kansas City: 4,500
Columbia: 3,200
Springfield: 3,000
Joplin: 2,400
Jefferson City: 1,100
St. Joseph: 900