

**Quarterly Census of
Employment and Wages
Business Employment Dynamics
July to September 2022**

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third quarter 2022.

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sector, seasonally adjusted,
Washington state,
third quarter 2021 and 2022.

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Washington State Business Employment Dynamics Third Quarter 2022



In third quarter 2022, July to September, seasonally adjusted job gains in Washington's private sector totaled 209,693 while job losses from businesses closing or contracting totaled 180,789. The result of these changes was a net gain of 28,904 jobs during the third quarter. These numbers show the key changes in private sector employment, also called Business Employment Dynamics (BED).

The U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics' Business Employment Dynamics data series highlights the forces driving labor market dynamics at the state and national levels. Job gains and losses at private business establishments are tracked showing employment changes due to establishment openings or closings versus adding or shedding jobs at existing firms. The most recent BED data cover events through third quarter 2022.

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Net job gains grew at faster pace for the state and nation from second quarter 2022

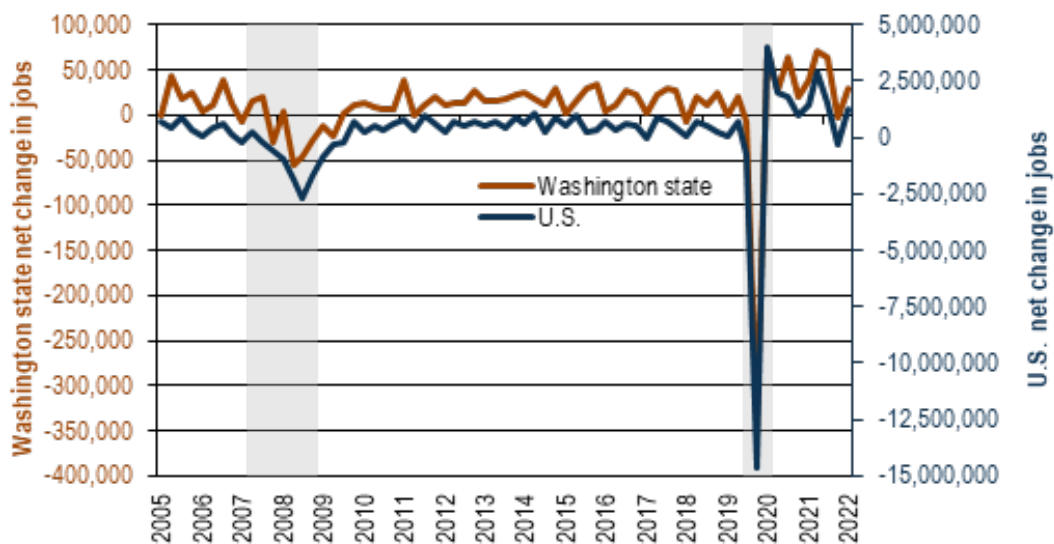
Nationally, job gains exceeded job losses in 43 states for a net private sector employment gain of 1,302,000. The number of jobs gained during the third quarter were an increase compared with the 287,000 jobs lost during the previous quarter, but less than the 1,545,000 jobs gained over first quarter 2022. Added together, the number of jobs gained in third quarter 2020 through third quarter 2022 have exceeded the total number of jobs lost during the pandemic. Washington state gained 28,904 net jobs in third quarter 2022. Washington state has previously recovered the net jobs it lost during the pandemic after the first quarter 2022.

Figure 1 depicts the changing business employment dynamic and compares Washington state to national trends. On a national and state basis, net job gains and losses are sensitive to the business cycle. During the 2007 recession, net job losses increased before bottoming out in first quarter 2009. Net job growth resumed in second quarter 2010 and carried through until the next recession, resulting from efforts to reduce the effects of the pandemic. Job growth had begun to pick up in third quarter 2020 for the state and nation, helping to confirm the end of the Covid-19 recession in April that year.

Figure 1. Net change in jobs, seasonally adjusted

United States and Washington state, third quarter 2005 through third quarter 2022

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, Business Employment Dynamics data series



Job growth in the U.S. and Washington increased in third quarter 2022.

Note: Shaded areas are U.S. recession periods.

At the national level, gross job gains were 8.8 million at opening and expanding establishments. Closing and contracting establishments lost 7.5 million jobs. Gross job losses were 5.8 percent of private sector employment. Opening establishments provided 1.7 million jobs. Washington state gained 209,693 jobs from new and expanding private businesses and lost 180,783 jobs from businesses closing or contracting for a net gain of 28,904 jobs in third quarter 2022. This compares to a net loss of 3,079 jobs in second quarter 2022 and a net gain of 39,077 jobs in third quarter 2021.

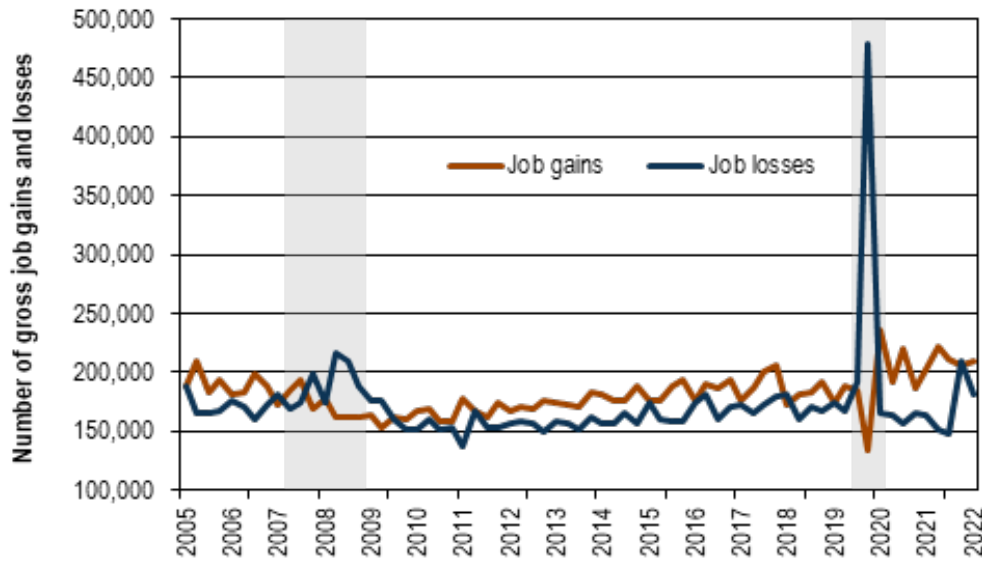
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Figure 2 shows the quarterly pattern of gross job gains and losses in Washington state.

Figure 2. Gross job gains and losses, seasonally adjusted
Washington state, third quarter 2005 through third quarter 2022

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, Business Employment Dynamics data series



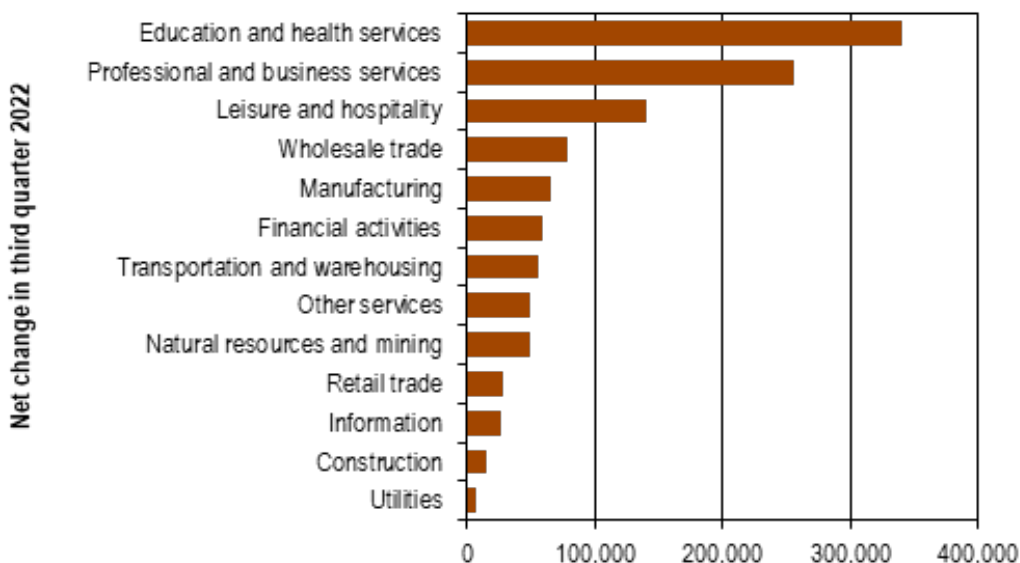
Gross job gains rose while gross job losses fell in third quarter 2022.

Note: Shaded areas are U.S. recession periods

Nationally, all thirteen major industries reported net job gains

The data in Figure 3 illustrate the net change in industry employment for the U.S. Total private sector employment rose by 1,302,000 in third quarter 2022. Service-providing industries had a seasonally adjusted net gain of 1,173,000 jobs and goods-producing industries posted a net gain of 129,000 jobs. In third quarter 2022, thirteen industry sectors reported job gains while twelve reported gains during third quarter 2021.

Figure 3. Net change in job gains and losses by industry, seasonally adjusted
United States, third quarter 2022



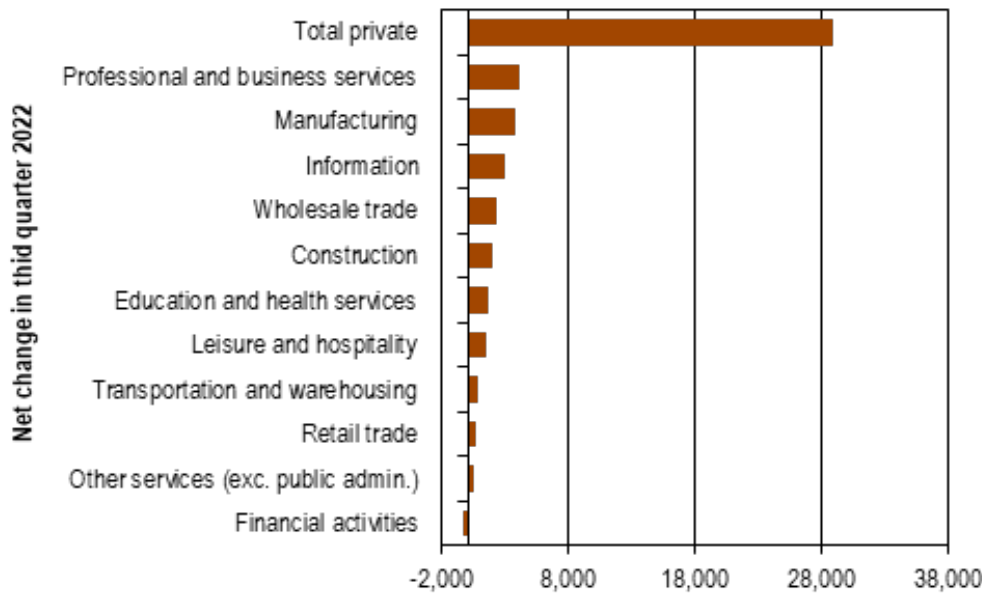
Education and health services reported the most net gains in third quarter 2022..

Washington state industry employment

Figure 4 shows net employment changes in Washington state industry sectors. Total private sector employment had a net increase of 28,904. Ten industry sectors reported net job gains in third quarter 2022. The top three industry sectors showing job gains were professional and business services with a gain of 4,048, followed by manufacturing (3,778) and information (3,007). Financial services experienced a loss of 334 jobs.

Figure 4. Net change in job gains and losses by industry sector, seasonally adjusted Washington state, third quarter 2022

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, Business Employment Dynamics data series

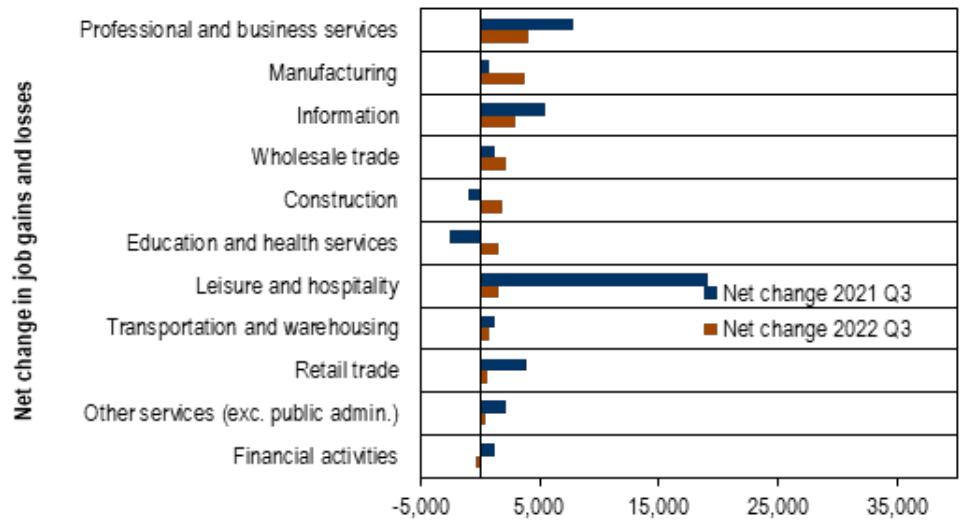


In Washington state, professional and business services, manufacturing, and education and information had the most job gains in third quarter 2022..

Comparing third quarter 2022 to third quarter 2021 in Washington state (Figure 5):

- Seven of eleven private industry sectors had lower net gains in third quarter 2022 compared with third quarter 2021.
- Education and health services had the largest net improvement from year to year with a gain of 1,561 jobs in third quarter 2022 compared with a loss of 2,482 in third quarter 2021.
- Leisure and hospitality had the lowest net gain from year to year with a gain of 1,540 jobs in third quarter 2022 compared with a gain of 19,027 in third quarter 2021.

Figure 5. Net change in jobs by industry sector, seasonally adjusted Washington state, third quarter 2021 and 2022



Washington had lower net gains in jobs in seven major industries in third quarter 2022 compared with third quarter 2021.

Note: data for natural resources, mining and utilities are not disclosed in order to maintain employer confidentiality.

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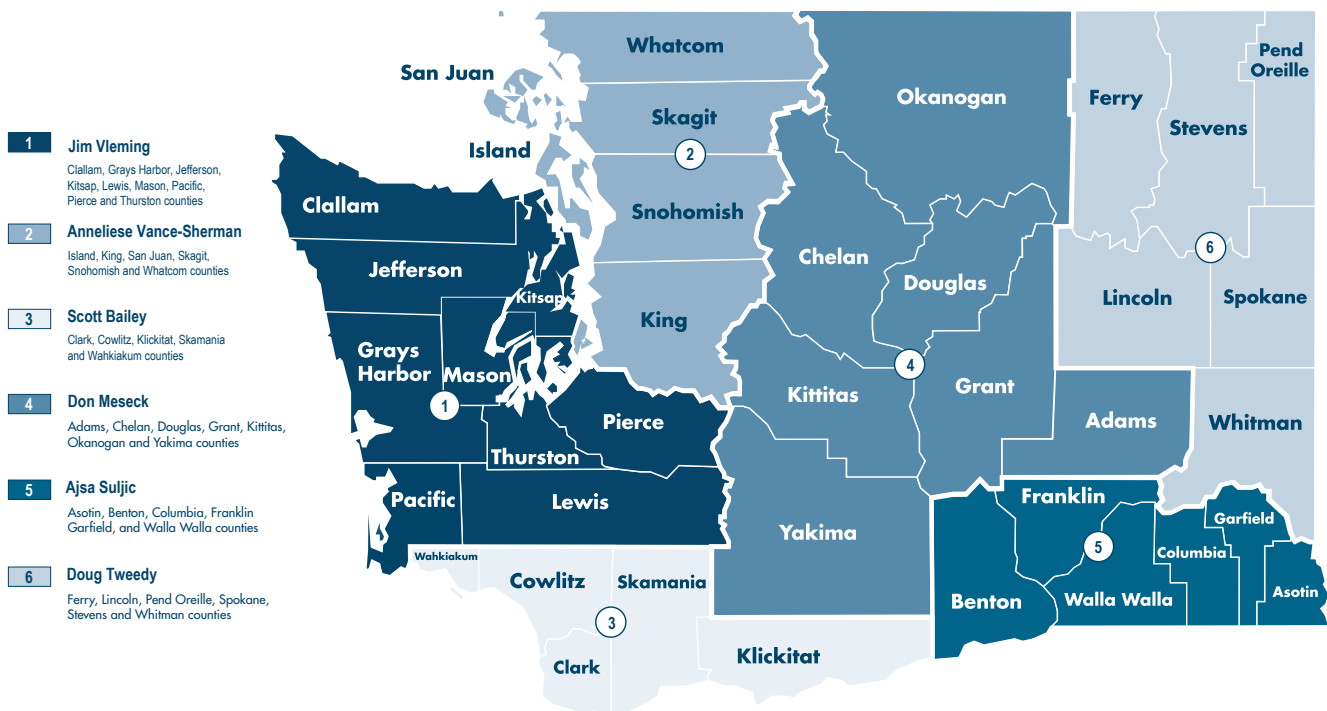
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