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New Hampshire's preliminary seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for March 2019 was 2.4 percent, unchanged from the February rate which remained at 2.4 percent after revision. The March 2018 seasonally adjusted rate was 2.6 percent.

Seasonally adjusted estimates for March 2019 placed the number of employed residents at 748,220, an increase of 660 from the previous month and an increase of 8,520 from March 2018. The number of unemployed residents increased by 60 over-the-month to 18,320. This was 1,810 fewer unemployed than in March 2018. From February to March 2019, the total labor force increased by 720 to 766,540. This was an increase of 6,710 from March 2018.

The unadjusted March 2019 unemployment rate for New Hampshire was 2.8 percent, a decrease of 0.1 percentage point from the February rate which remained at 2.9 percent after revision. The March 2018 unadjusted rate was 3.1 percent.

Nationally, the seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for March 2019 was 3.8 percent, unchanged from the February rate, and a decrease of 0.2 percentage points from the March 2018 rate. The national unadjusted rate for March 2019 was 3.9 percent, a decrease of 0.2 percentage points from the February rate, and a decrease of 0.2 percentage points from the March 2018 rate.

NOTE: State nonfarm employment estimates are available on our Internet Web site: [www.nhes.nh.gov/elmi](http://www.nhes.nh.gov/elmi) concurrent with this release. Local area unemployment rates are expected to be available on Thursday, April 25. All monthly data will continue to be published in the monthly newsletter *New Hampshire Economic Conditions*.

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