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

Seasonally adjusted estimates for April 2019 placed the number of employed residents at 748,970, an increase of 750 from the previous month and an increase of 8,330 from April 2018. The number of unemployed residents increased by 210 over-the-month to 18,530. This was 1,480 fewer unemployed than in April 2018. From March to April 2019, the total labor force increased by 960 to 767,500. This was an increase of 6,850 from April 2018.

The unadjusted April 2019 unemployment rate for New Hampshire was 2.5 percent, a decrease of 0.3 percentage points from the March rate, which remained at 2.8 percent after revision. The April 2018 unadjusted rate was 2.6 percent.

Nationally, the seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for April 2019 was 3.6 percent, a decrease of 0.2 percentage points from the March rate, and a decrease of 0.3 percentage points from the April 2018 rate. The national unadjusted rate for April 2019 was 3.3 percent, a decrease of 0.6 percentage points from the March rate, and a decrease of 0.4 percentage points from the April 2018 rate.

NOTE: State nonfarm employment estimates are available on our Internet Web site: www.nhes.nh.gov/elmi concurrent with this release. Local area unemployment rates are expected to be available on Thursday, May 23. All monthly data will continue to be published in the monthly newsletter New Hampshire Economic Conditions.

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