

GREATER OMAHA ECONOMIC INDICATORS

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HIGHLIGHTS

Greater Omaha's economy continued to perform well in June 2025. The unemployment rate rose from 2.9% in June 2024 to 3.2% in June 2025, which is slightly higher than Nebraska's (3.0%) and below the U.S. (4.1%). Greater Omaha has seen an increase of 3,500 net jobs compared to June 2024. The industries that have seen the largest increase are Leisure and Hospitality (5.2%) and Education and Health Services (5.1%). Finally, Eppley saw a slight decrease in passenger enplanements compared to June 2024.

Quarterly Workforce Indicators (QWI) is a dataset from the U.S. Census that shows trends in employee hiring and turnover as well as job gains and losses. It is the best source for detailed workforce demographic data including age, gender, race/ethnicity and educational attainment by industry. The QWI can help answer questions such as: What is the racial/ethnic breakdown of workers in my industry?; What industries could be impacted by impending retirements?; and What is the education level of workers in my county? For more information or to utilize the tool, [click here](#).

UNEMPLOYMENT (OMAHA CSA)



+0.3%

3-MONTH AVERAGE
June 2025: 3.2%
June 2024: 2.9%

EMPLOYMENT GROWTH (OMAHA CSA)



+2.0%

3-MONTH AVERAGE
June 2025: 542,415
June 2024: 531,747

Greater Omaha had a net increase of over 10,600 employed workers compared to the same time period in 2024.

COMMERCIAL CONSTRUCTION PERMITS (CSA)



-5.3%

3-MONTH AVERAGE
June 2025: \$74.2 mm
June 2024: \$78.3 mm

June 2025 saw a slight decrease in commercial construction valuation.

*Includes new construction, finishes and remodels.

PRIVATE HOURLY WAGES (OMAHA MSA)



+3.2%

3-MONTH AVERAGE
June 2025: \$34.32
June 2024: \$33.26

Average private hourly wages rose over \$1.00 since last year.

SINGLE FAMILY CONSTRUCTION PERMITS (CSA)



-2.9%

3-MONTH AVERAGE
June 2025: 256
June 2024: 264

Single family permits decreased in June 2025. These new home permits are valued at \$54.8 million.

AIRLINE PASSENGERS (OMAHA ENPLANEMENTS)



-1.5%

3-MONTH AVERAGE
June 2025: 232,231
June 2024: 235,709

June 2025 had slightly less passenger enplanements compared to the same time period last year.

Greater Omaha Indicators													Apr 24	May 24	Jun 24	Jul 24	Aug 24	Sep 24	Oct 24	Nov 24	Dec 24	Jan 25	Feb 25	Mar 25	Apr 25	May 25	Jun 25*
Labor Market: Household Survey ¹ (Omaha-Council Bluffs-Fremont Combined Statistical Area)													546,015	547,904	549,455	554,888	548,612	548,740	551,661	549,209	545,867	548,136	552,633	553,712	557,190	561,694	562,442
Labor Force (#, nsa)													531,314	532,408	531,519	536,560	531,789	533,683	535,481	533,736	530,813	528,925	532,804	536,548	539,935	544,160	543,149
Civilian Employment (#, nsa)													14,701	15,496	17,936	18,328	16,823	15,057	16,200	15,473	15,054	19,211	19,829	17,164	17,255	17,534	19,293
Unemployment Rate - Omaha (% nsa)													2.7	2.8	3.3	3.3	3.1	2.7	2.9	2.8	2.8	3.5	3.6	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.4
Unemployment Rate - Nebraska (% nsa)													2.4	2.6	3.1	3.1	2.8	2.6	2.7	2.7	2.6	3.2	3.4	2.9	2.9	2.9	3.3
Unemployment Rate - U.S. (% nsa) ²													3.5	3.7	4.3	4.5	4.4	3.9	3.9	4.0	3.8	4.4	4.5	4.2	3.9	4.0	4.4
Labor Market: Establishment Survey ³ (Omaha-Council Bluffs Metropolitan Statistical Area)													513.5	516.5	519.5	514.5	514.4	515.6	519.5	518.8	518.1	507.1	508.0	509.7	515.6	520.8	523.6
Total Non-Farm Employment (000s, nsa)													32.8	33.4	34.1	34.2	34.1	33.8	33.9	33.2	32.1	30.4	30.8	31.6	33.0	33.8	34.3
Construction/Mining (000s, nsa)													35.9	35.9	36.1	36.1	36.1	36.1	36.2	36.0	35.9	35.2	35.4	35.1	35.0	34.7	34.6
Manufacturing (000s, nsa)													94.6	94.7	94.7	94.3	94.4	93.6	94.1	95.4	96.3	93.2	91.9	92.2	92.0	92.2	92.6
Trade, Trans. and Utilities (000s, nsa)													8.6	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.4	8.5	8.5	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.5	8.5
Information (000s, nsa)													39.8	39.9	40.2	39.9	39.9	39.6	39.7	39.8	40.1	39.7	40.0	39.6	39.5	39.7	39.8
Financial Activities (000s, nsa)													71.7	71.5	71.8	71.4	71.1	70.8	71.2	70.6	70.7	68.4	68.4	68.4	69.8	69.6	70.1
Prof. and Business Services (000s, nsa)													88.1	88.1	88.0	88.7	89.0	89.2	90.4	91.0	91.2	90.3	91.4	91.3	92.0	92.6	93.2
Educ. and Health Services (000s, nsa)													55.1	56.8	58.9	58.1	57.7	57.2	57.2	56.0	55.2	53.9	53.7	54.8	57.3	60.4	61.9
Leisure and Hospitality (000s, nsa)													17.6	17.6	17.9	17.9	17.8	17.6	17.7	17.9	17.9	17.9	17.8	17.9	18.0	18.1	18.2
Other Services (000s, nsa)													69.3	70.0	69.2	65.3	65.7	69.3	70.6	70.4	70.1	69.5	70.0	70.2	70.4	71.2	70.4
Government (000s, nsa)													33.40	33.30	33.08	33.37	33.60	33.98	33.92	33.89	33.45	33.52	33.15	33.53	33.41	33.13	33.51
Avg. Hourly Earnings of Private Workers (\$ nsa)													37.4	27.4	26.8	42.7	32.8	32.2	27.5	23.0	19.7	37.0	25.2	32.7	30.4	32.1	28.1
Construction Permits ⁴ (Omaha-Council Bluffs-Fremont Combined Statistical Area)													148.2	\$132.4	\$81.2	\$164.2	\$88.7	\$176.4	\$620.3	\$116.5	\$89.4	\$105.5	\$118.0	\$103.7	\$101.1	\$88.6	\$119.9
Total Permits (#, nsa, not including commercial remodels)													321	239	232	379	301	241	234	197	180	337	208	286	277	275	217
Single-Family Residential Permits (#, nsa)													\$68.3	\$56.1	\$50.5	\$63.5	\$66.3	\$50.0	\$55.4	\$43.1	\$40.7	\$50.2	\$47.1	\$62.0	\$56.7	\$57.4	\$50.4
Valuation (\$mm, nsa)													300	541	4	174	85	677	528	400	195	519	304	83	45	139	203
Multi-Family Residential Units (#, nsa)													\$40.0	\$38.2	\$0.5	\$19.3	\$7.7	\$74.6	\$35.9	\$45.8	\$0.3	\$41.9	\$28.7	\$8.1	\$4.7	\$12.7	\$17.4
Valuation (\$mm, nsa)													41	31	25	45	24	27	20	22	16	17	17	20	25	33	42
Non-Residential Permits- New Constr. (#, nsa) ^{4b}													\$39.8	\$38.2	\$30.3	\$81.5	\$14.7	\$51.9	\$528.9	\$27.6	\$48.3	\$13.4	\$19.1	\$33.6	\$39.8	\$18.5	\$52.0
Valuation (\$mm, nsa) ^{4b}													108	87	77	52	66	61	46	59	73	66	65	91	71	61	58
Non-Residential Permits- Finish & Remodel (#, nsa) ^{4c}													\$53.9	\$35.3	\$37.5	\$14.9	\$63.9	\$141.3	\$26.6	\$23.6	\$42.3	\$30.0	\$59.5	\$35.4	\$69.2	\$23.7	\$19.4
Valuation (\$mm, nsa) ^{4c}													149	118	102	97	90	88	66	81	89	83	82	111	96	94	100
Total Non-Residential Permits (#, nsa)													\$93.7	\$73.5	\$67.8	\$96.4	\$78.7	\$193.1	\$555.6	\$51.2	\$90.6	\$43.5	\$78.6	\$69.0	\$108.9	\$42.2	\$71.4
Total Non-Residential Valuation (\$mm, nsa)													New and Existing Home Sales ⁵ (Omaha-Council Bluffs Metropolitan Statistical Area)														
Total Sales (#, nsa)													965	1,208	1,121	1,120	1,127	885	928	937	800	679	730	833	967	1,166	1,280
Total Value (\$mm, nsa)													\$348.1	\$455.4	\$424.2	\$407.7	\$419.5	\$318.1	\$341.0	\$345.6	\$294.0	\$238.2	\$246.8	\$288.0	\$362.5	\$443.0	\$494.3
Transportation ⁶													205.9	248.6	252.7	251.5	212.2	209.1	228.1	205.7	220.3	180.8	174.2	212.4	195.7	242.9	258.1
Airline Passengers Enplaned (000s, nsa)													3.7	4.1	3.9	3.9	4.2	4.5	5.5	4.9	5.5	4.6	4.5	4.8	5.4	5.7	5.2
Airline Cargo Enplaned (mm lbs., nsa)													Prices ⁷														
Consumer Price Index - U.S. (nsa, 1982=84 = 100)													313.5	314.1	314.2	314.5	314.8	315.3	315.7	315.5	315.6	317.7	319.1	319.8	320.8	321.5	322.6
CPI - Midwest (nsa, pop. 50,000-1.5 million, 1996 = 100)													185.5	185.6	185.9	186.5	186.9	186.9	187.0	187.1	187.5	188.5	189.0	189.8	189.9	190.3	191.9
Personal Consumption Expenditure Index (U.S., chained, 2017=100, sa) ⁸													119.7	120.3	120.4	120.9	121.1	121.7	121.9	122.4	123.1	122.4	122.3	123.1	123.2	122.9	123.0

Sources:

¹U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS) (unless otherwise marked)

²U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, Current Population Survey (CPS)

³U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, Current Employment Statistics (CES), State & Metro Area

⁴Collected from municipalities in 9-county area. See notes & Greater Omaha Permit Data for details.

⁵Omaha Area Board of Realtors, MLS Statistics

⁶Omaha Airport Authority, Monthly Traffic Statistics

⁷U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) (unless otherwise marked)

⁸U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis, Table 2.8.3: Real Personal Consumption Expenditures by Major Type of Product, Monthly, Quantity Indexes.

Notes:

sa = seasonally adjusted; nsa = not seasonally adjusted.

*Preliminary data, previous month revised to actual data

^{4a}Excludes any permits that do not have a valuation listed

^{4b}Excludes construction of non-residential structures less than \$10,000

^{4c}Excludes alterations less than \$10,000, repairs, and maintenance