

# Kittitas County Economic Update

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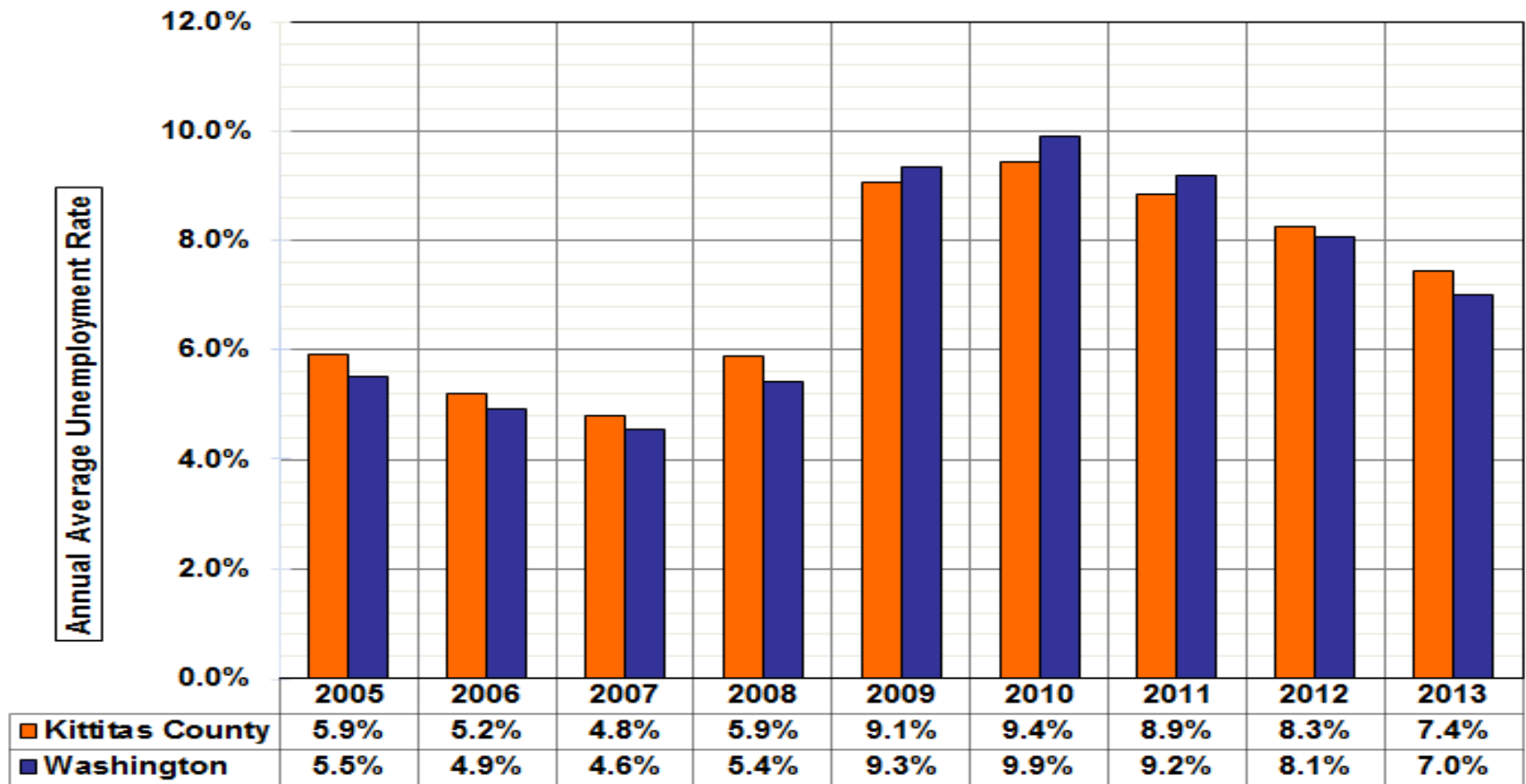
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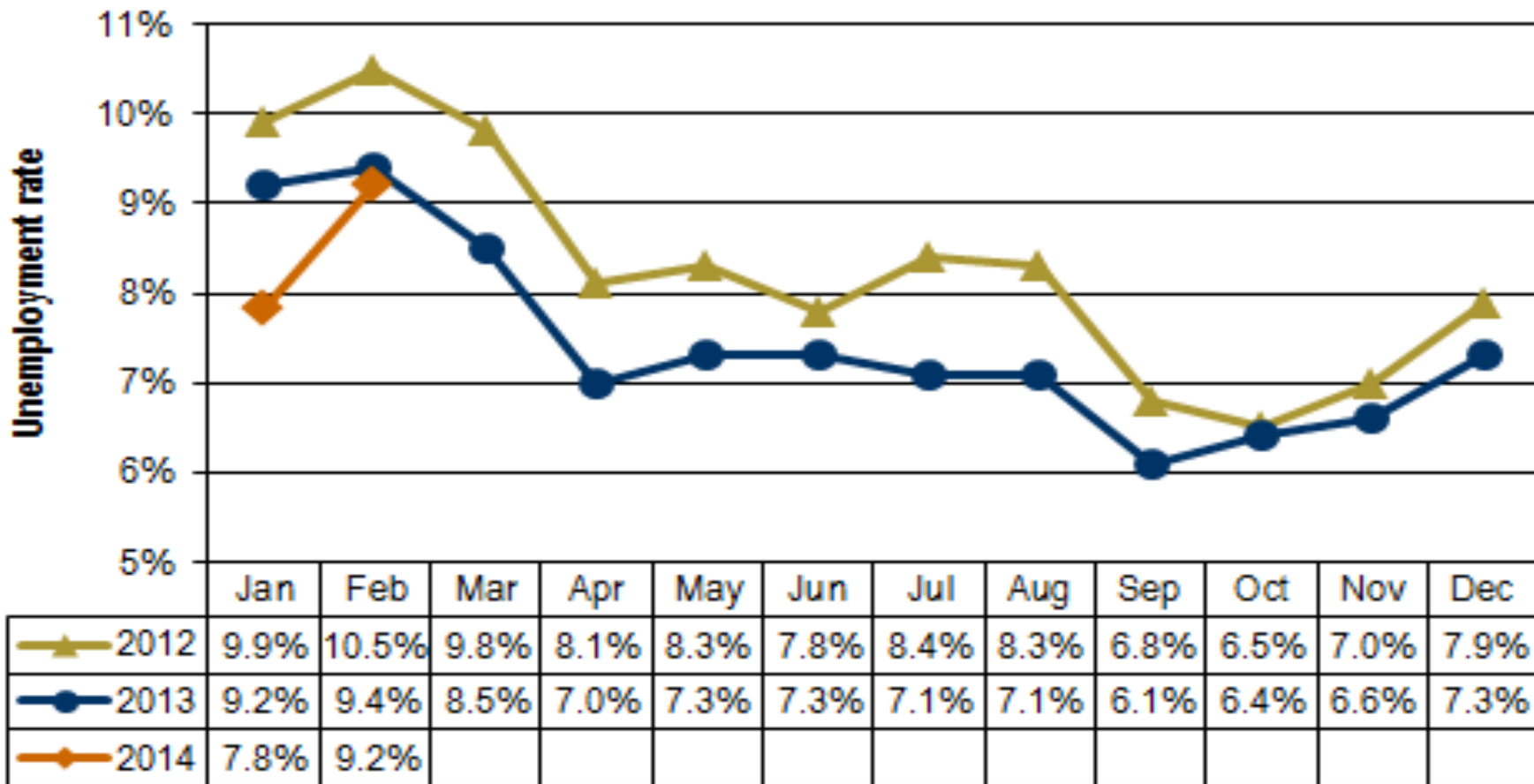
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# Annual Average Unemployment Rates in Kittitas County and in Washington from 2005-2013



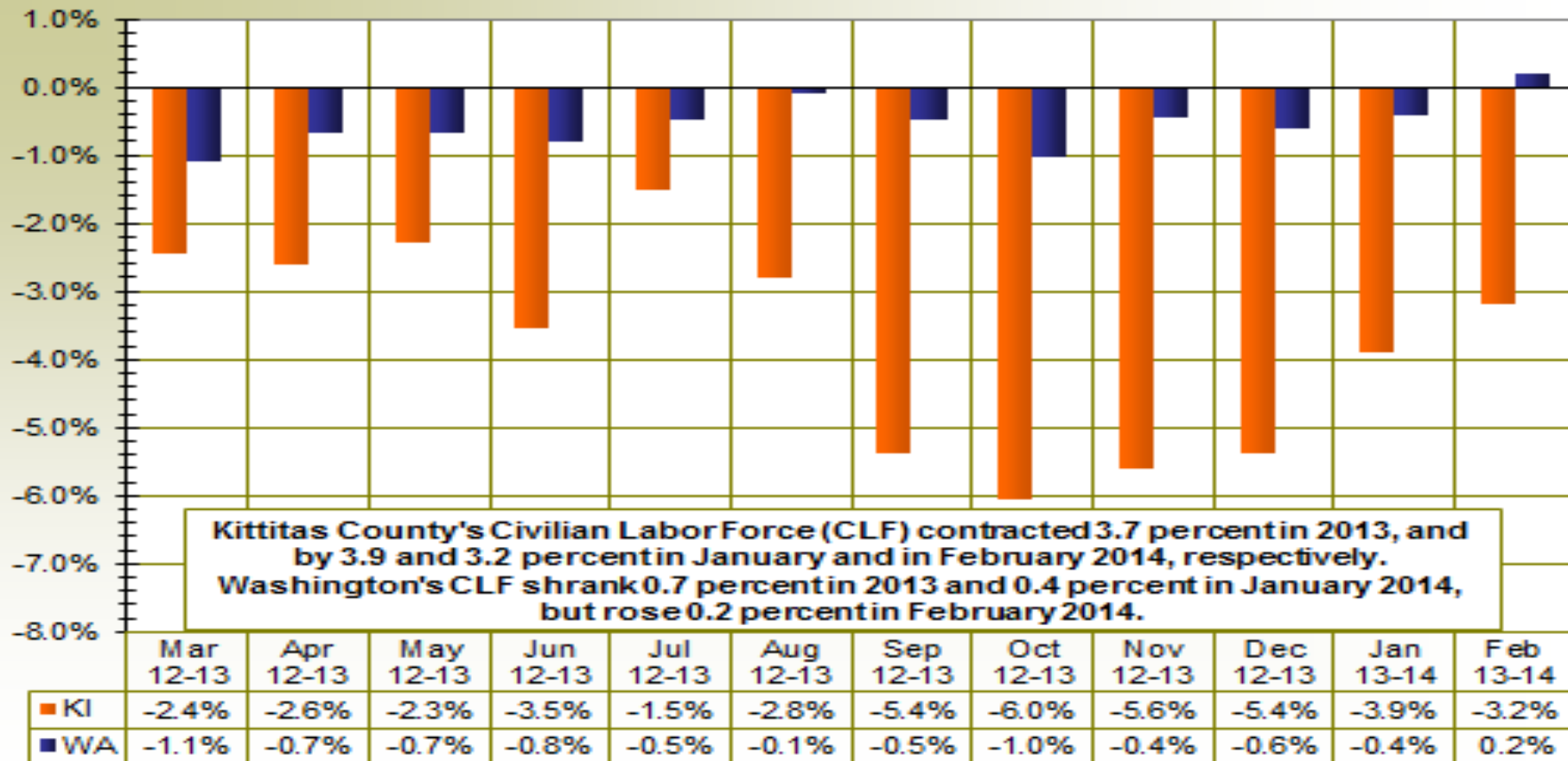
# Unemployment Rates in Kittitas County: From January 2012-February 2014



# Kittitas County's Civilian Labor Force: From February 2013 through February 2014

				Change		
				Jan-14	Feb-13	Feb-13
Kittitas County	Preliminary Feb-14	Revised Jan-14	Revised Feb-13	Feb-14	Feb-14	Feb-14 %
<b>Labor force and unemployment</b>						
Civilian labor force	19,660	19,300	20,310	360	-650	-3.2%
Resident employment	17,840	17,790	18,410	50	-570	-3.1%
Unemployment	1,820	1,510	1,900	310	-80	-4.2%
Unemployment rate	9.2	7.8	9.4	1.4	-0.2	

# Labor Force changes: Kittitas County and Washington state



# Analyzed county-level QCEW data for 22 industries/sectors

## 19 private-industry sectors

**NAICS 11** (Agriculture, forestry and fishing)

**NAICS 21** (Mining)

**NAICS 22** (Utilities)

**NAICS 23** (Construction)

**NAICS 31-33** (Manufacturing)

**NAICS 42** (Wholesale trade)

**NAICS 44-45** (Retail trade)

**NAICS 48-49** (Transportation and warehousing)

**NAICS 51** (Information)

**NAICS 52** (Finance and insurance)

**NAICS 53** (Real estate and rentals)

**NAICS 54** (Professional and business services)

**NAICS 55** (Management of companies)

**NAICS 56** (Administrative and waste services)

**NAICS 61** (Private education services)

**NAICS 62** (Health services)

**NAICS 71** (Arts, entertainment and recreation)

**NAICS 72** (Accommodation and food services)

**NAICS 81** (Other services)

## Three government sectors

Federal government

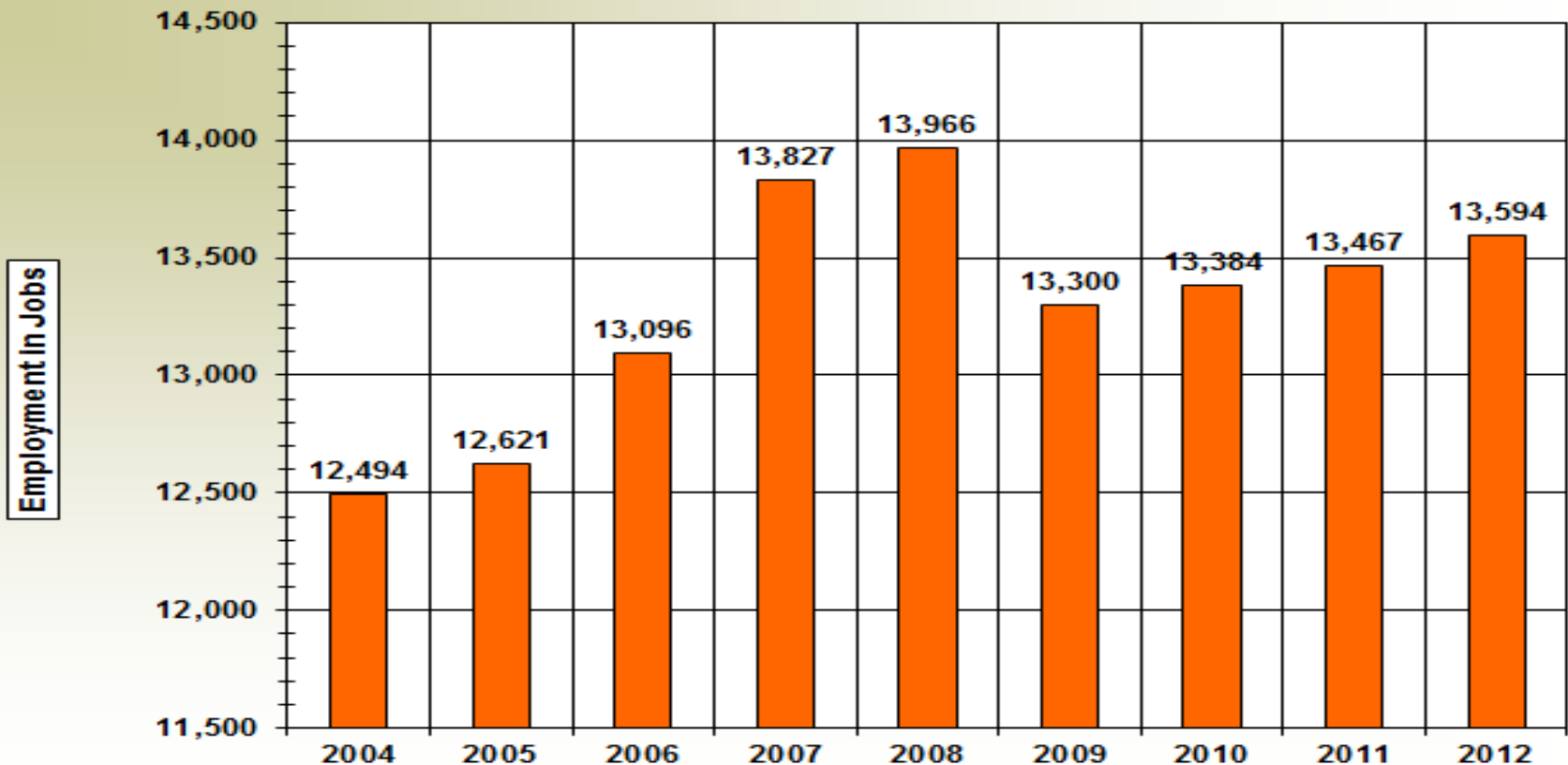
State government

Local government

\* North American Industry Classification System (NAICS)

QCEW is the Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages, a  
U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics data set.

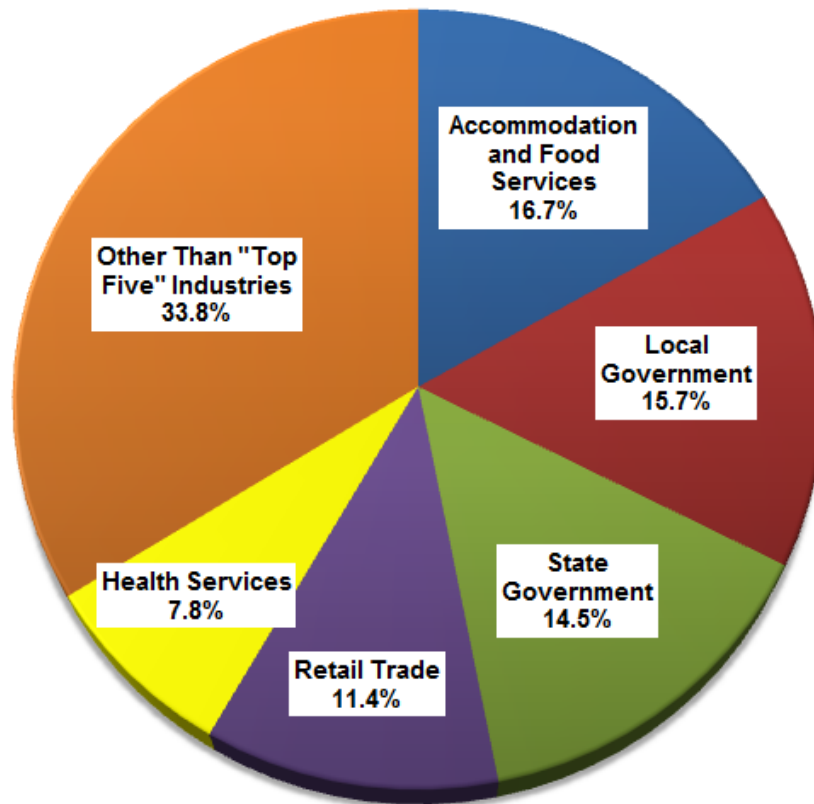
# Kittitas County: Total covered employment from 2004 through 2012



Source: QCEW Data



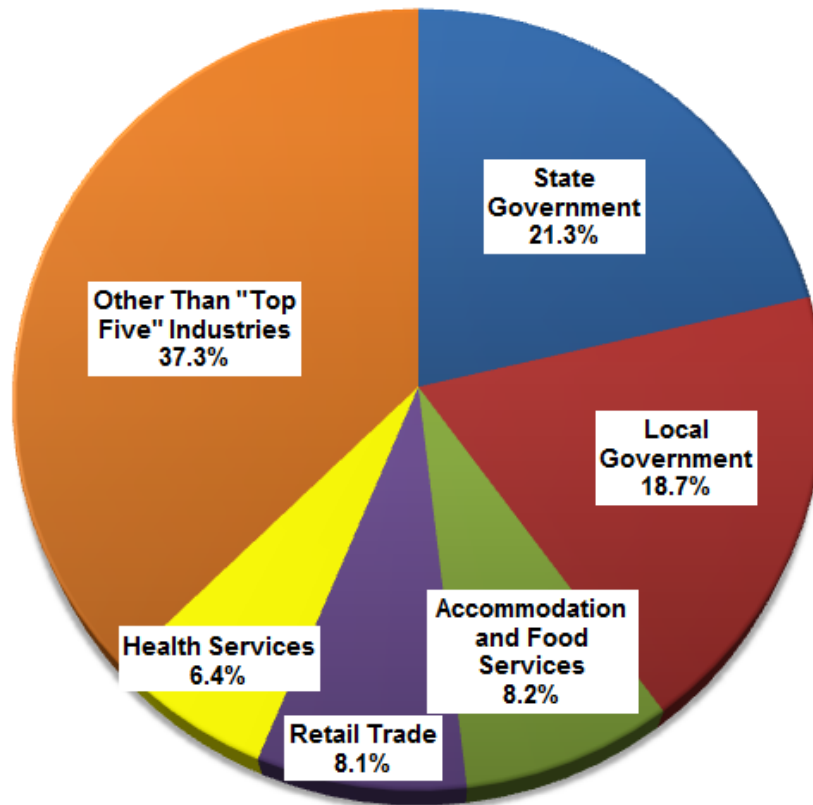
# Kittitas County: Top 5 industries by employment in 2012



Industry	Number of Jobs
Accommodation and Food Services	2,276
Local Government	2,136
State Government	1,966
Retail Trade	1,554
Health Services	1,061
Other Than "Top Five" Industries	4,601
<b>Total Covered Employment</b>	<b>13,594</b>

Source: QCEW Data

# Kittitas County: Top 5 industries by wages in 2012



Industry	Wages (in \$)
State Government	\$96,390,297
Local Government	\$84,818,385
Accommodation and Food Services	\$36,988,471
Retail Trade	\$36,830,485
Health Services	\$29,063,162
Other Than "Top Five" Industries	\$169,115,207
<b>Total Covered Wages</b>	<b>\$453,206,007</b>

Source: QCEW Data

# Kittitas County in 2012: Summary of “Top 5” industries

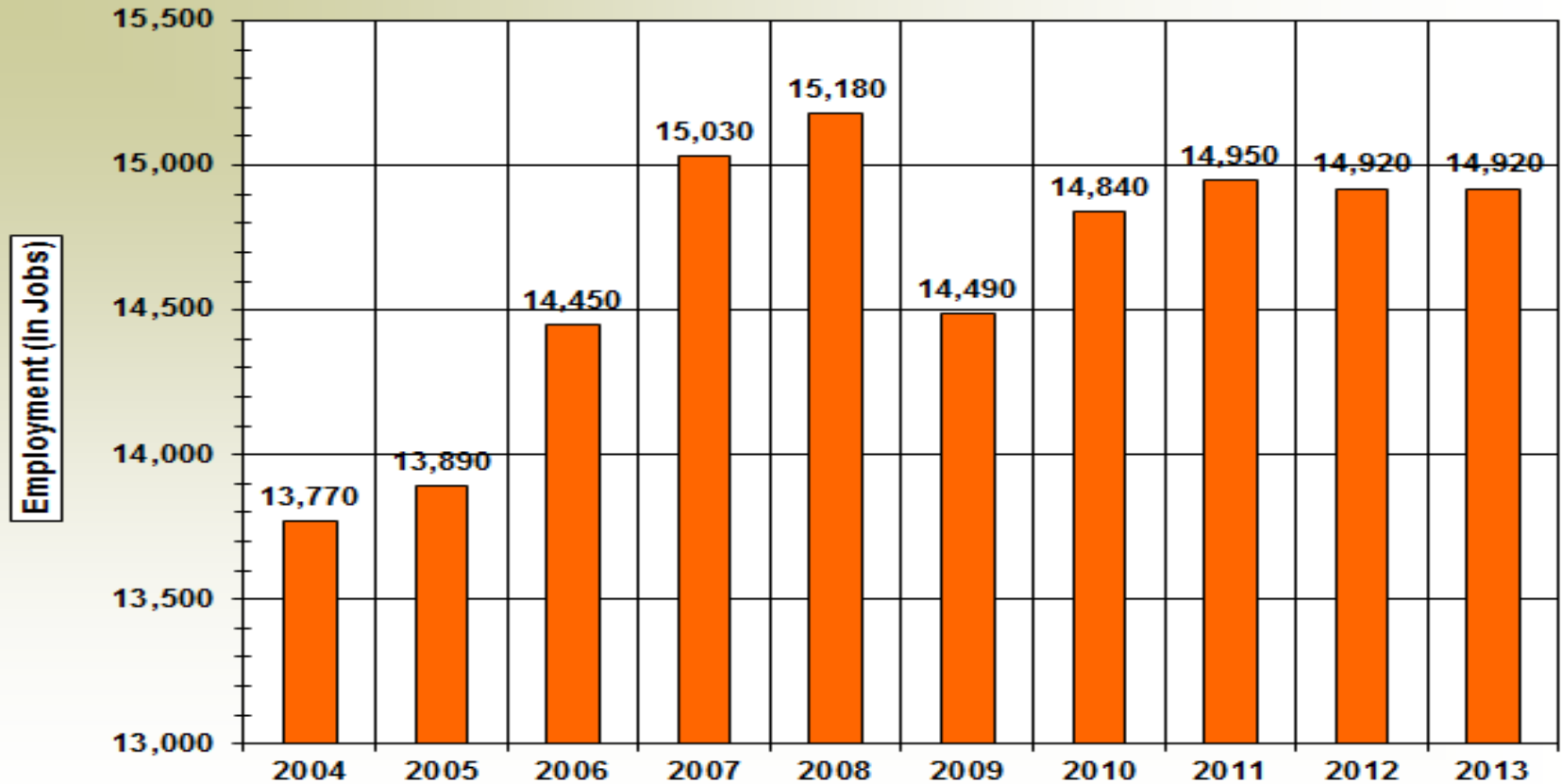
**Total covered wages = \$453.2 million**

**Average annual employment = 13,594**

**Average annual wage = \$33,339**

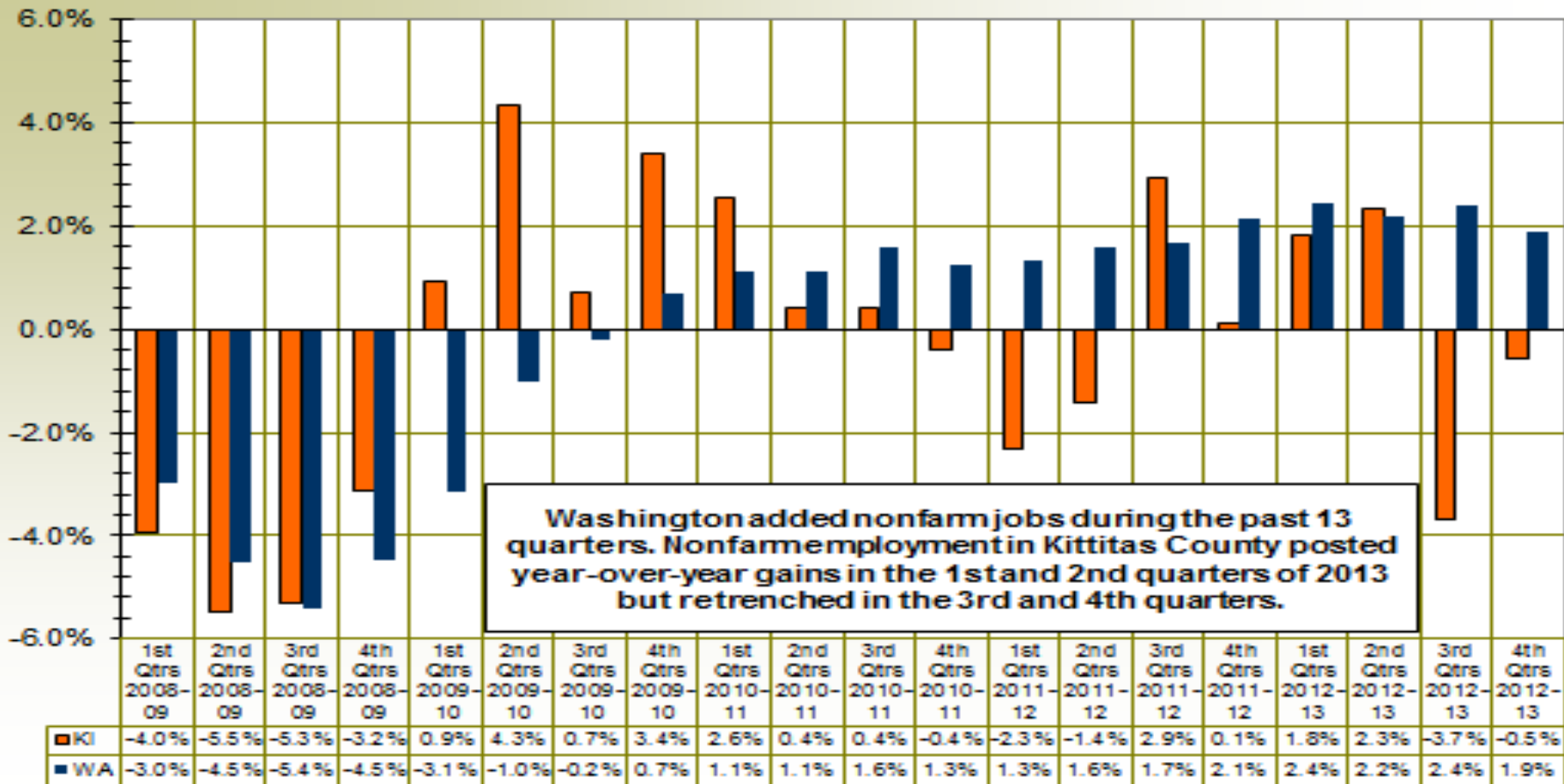
Industry	Percent of jobs	Percent of wages
Accommodation and food services	16.7	8.2
Local government	15.7	18.7
State government	14.5	21.3
Retail trade	11.4	8.1
Health services	7.8	6.4

# Kittitas County: Total nonfarm employment 2004 through 2013



Source: CES Data, LMPA, ESD

# Kittitas County and Washington state: Nonfarm employment changes 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of 2009 through 4<sup>th</sup> quarter of 2013

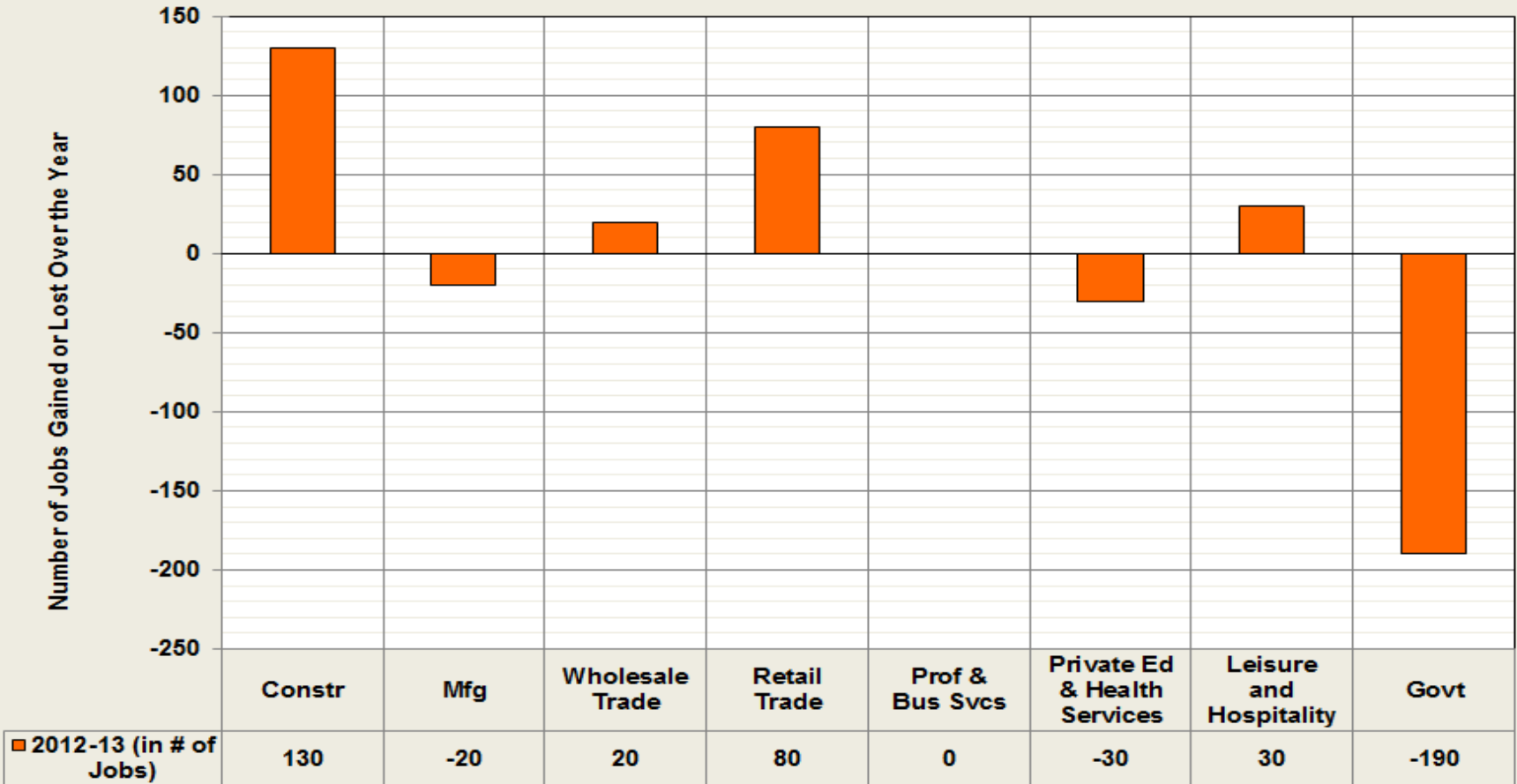


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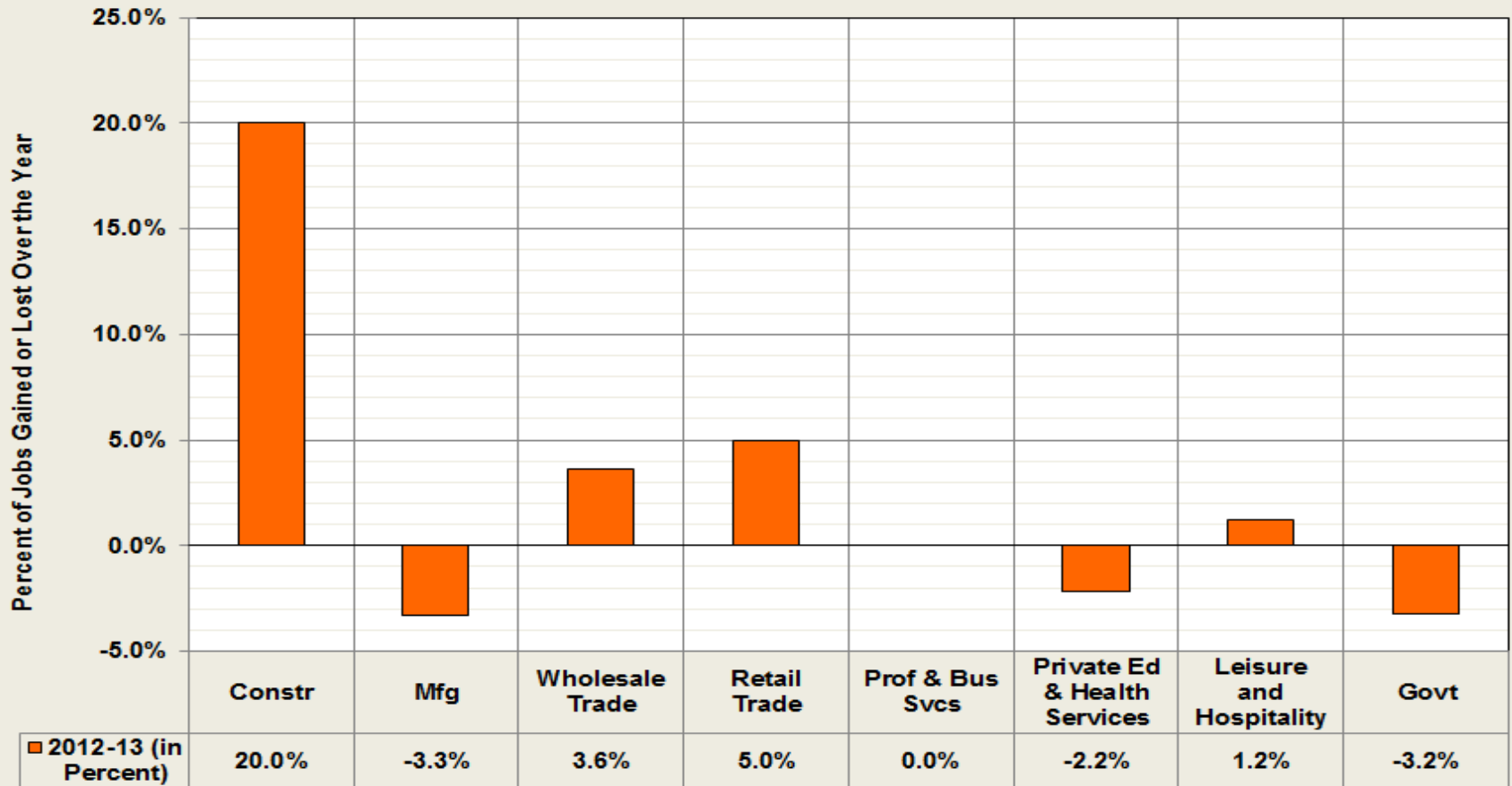
## Nonfarm job growth in 2013

Industry	Annual Avg. Employment in 2012	Annual Avg. Employment in 2013	Job Change	Percent Change
Total nonfarm	14,920	14,920	0	0.0%
Total private	9,060	9,250	190	2.1%
Goods producing	1,240	1,360	120	9.7%
Mining, logging and construction	650	780	130	20.0%
Manufacturing	600	580	(20)	-3.3%
Service providing	13,670	13,560	(110)	-0.8%
Trade, transportation and utilities	2,440	2,510	70	2.9%
Wholesale trade	550	570	20	3.6%
Retail trade	1,610	1,690	80	5.0%
Transportation, warehousing and utilities	280	250	(30)	-10.7%
Information and financial activities	600	630	30	5.0%
Professional and business services	500	500	0	0.0%
Education and health services	1,380	1,350	(30)	-2.2%
Leisure and hospitality	2,480	2,510	30	1.2%
Government	5,860	5,670	(190)	-3.2%
Federal government	140	150	10	7.1%
State and local government	5,710	5,520	(190)	-3.3%
State & local government education	3,970	3,790	(180)	-4.5%

# Super sector job gains/losses (in #) in Kittitas County in 2013

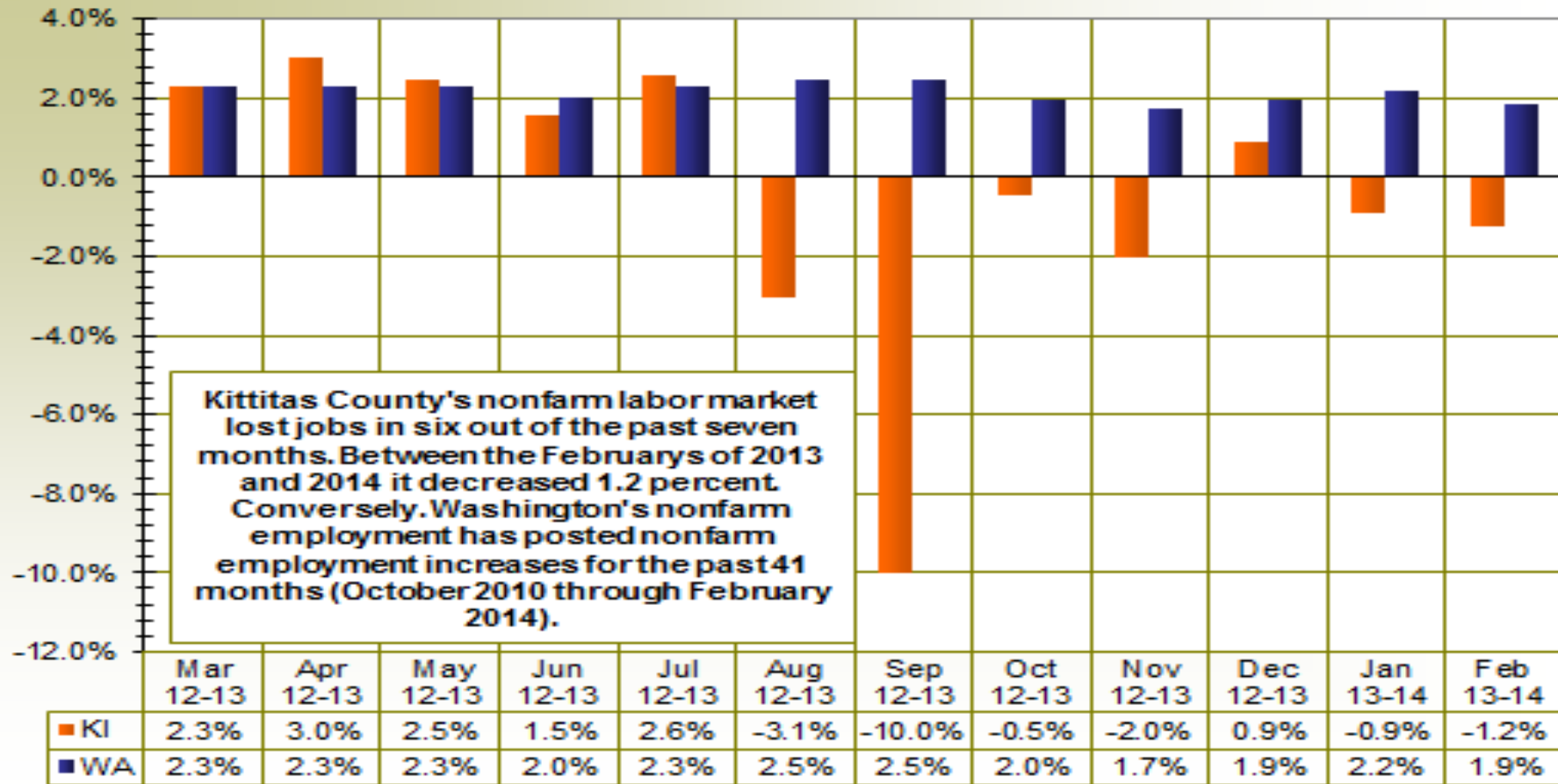


# Super sectors job gains/losses (in %) Kittitas County in 2013





# Nonfarm employment changes in Kittitas County and Washington in the prior twelve months



# Kittitas County: Nonfarm job growth February 2013 through February 2014

Industry	Employment in February 2013	Employment in February 2014	Job Change	Percent Change
Total Nonfarm 1/	14,790	14,610	(180)	-1.2%
Total Private	8,750	8,520	(230)	-2.6%
Goods Producing	1,200	1,140	(60)	-5.0%
Mining, Logging, and Construction	620	660	40	6.5%
Manufacturing	580	480	(100)	-17.2%
Service Providing	13,590	13,470	(120)	-0.9%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	2,420	2,440	20	0.8%
Wholesale Trade	590	540	(50)	-8.5%
Retail Trade	1,590	1,660	70	4.4%
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	240	240	0	0.0%
Information and Financial Activities	600	650	50	8.3%
Professional and Business Services	430	450	20	4.7%
Education and Health Services	1,410	1,330	(80)	-5.7%
Leisure and Hospitality	2,290	2,080	(210)	-9.2%
Government	6,040	6,090	50	0.8%
Federal Government	120	130	10	8.3%
State and Local Government	5,920	5,960	40	0.7%
State and Local Government Education	4,270	4,300	30	0.7%

# The local labor force is shrinking, but the recovery continues.

- **Kittitas County's not seasonally adjusted unemployment rate declined from 8.3 in 2012 to 7.4 percent in 2013.**
- **The Civilian Labor Force (CLF) shrank from 10,700 in 2012, to 10,210 in 2013, an 770 resident and 3.7 percent decline. (Washington's CLF shrank by 0.7 percent in 2013.)**
- **Nonfarm employment stabilized at 14,920 in 2012 and in 2013. (Washington's economy grew by 2.2 percent last year.)**
  - **Nonfarm losses in Kittitas County during 2013 were centered in state and local government education.**
  - **Nonfarm gains last year were in construction, wholesale trade, retail trade, and information and financial activities, and leisure and hospitality.**

# Website and Contact Information

**Employment and economic information  
website:**

**<https://fortress.wa.gov/esd/employmentdata/>**

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