

U.S. Employment Figures are on the top of a lot of people's minds these days. Below is a brief analysis that the IBISWorld Analyst Team put together that indicates the U.S. Industries that experienced both the largest employment growth and the largest employment decline from 2009 to 2010. Keep in mind that some of these industries are coming off of historic lows in 2009.

Best Performing Industries

| Rank | Industry Code | Industry | Employees 2010 | % Change from '09 |
|------|---------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|----------------|-------------------|
| 1 | 33621a | Motor Vehicle Body Manufacturing | 42,235 | 22.0 |
| 2 | 44111 | New Car Dealers | 897,825 | 19.6 |
| 3 | 51331a | Voice Over Internet Protocol Providers (VoIP) | 20,400 | 19.2 |
| 4 | 33611a | Car & Automobile Manufacturing | 59,128 | 16.5 |
| 5 | 23321 | Single Family Home Building | 500,000 | 14.9 |
| 6 | 52391 | Venture Capital & Principal Trading | 275,000 | 13.2 |
| 7 | 49319 | Specialized Storage & Warehousing | 139,086 | 12.5 |
| 8 | 23581 | Water Well Drilling | 26,500 | 10.4 |
| 9 | 33612 | Truck & Bus Manufacturing | 25,683 | 9.6 |
| 10 | 33635 | Automobile Transmission & Power Train Parts Manufacturing | 52,168 | 9.5 |
| 11 | 33111 | Iron & Steel Manufacturing | 75,401 | 8.5 |
| 12 | 42113 | Tire Wholesaling | 29,920 | 8.4 |
| 13 | 52599 | Private Equity, Hedge Funds & Investment Vehicles | 38,000 | 8.0 |
| 14 | 48841 | Automobile Towing | 57,874 | 7.8 |
| 15 | 54162 | Environmental Consulting | 131,876 | 7.3 |
| 16 | 56149 | Court Reporting Services | 291,415 | 7.2 |
| 17 | 48521 | Scheduled Bus Services | 23,579 | 7.2 |
| 18 | 71113 | Performing Arts | 74,863 | 6.9 |
| 19 | 44511 | Supermarkets & Grocery Stores | 2,619,706 | 6.7 |
| 20 | 45321 | Office Supply Stores | 142,135 | 6.5 |

Worst Performing Industries

| Rank | Industry Code | Industry | Employees 2010 | % Change from '09 |
|------|---------------|------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|-------------------|
| 1 | 42194 | Jewelry, Watch & Precious Metal Wholesaling | 31,969 | -56.8 |
| 2 | 48899 | Freight Packing & Logistics Services | 20,934 | -20.9 |
| 3 | 48551 | Charter Bus Services | 22,419 | -12.3 |
| 4 | 48849 | Toll Road, Weighing & Maintenance Services | 17,982 | -9.6 |
| 5 | 48411 | Local Freight Trucking | 173,507 | -9.1 |
| 6 | 44112 | Used Car Dealers | 113,367 | -8.5 |
| 7 | 49311 | Public Storage & Warehousing | 124,502 | -8.3 |
| 8 | 33699a | Motorcycle, Bike & Parts Manufacturing | 10,999 | -7.5 |
| 9 | 33142 | Copper Rolling Drawing & Extruding | 17,290 | -7.5 |
| 10 | 33272 | Screw, Nut & Bolt Manufacturing | 89,213 | -6.4 |
| 11 | 56131 | Employment & Recruiting Agencies | 229,924 | -6.4 |
| 12 | 31522 | Men's & Boys' Apparel Manufacturing | 19,046 | -6.0 |
| 13 | 23332a | Commercial Building Construction | 390,000 | -6.0 |
| 14 | 23492 | Transmission Line Construction | 160,000 | -5.9 |
| 15 | 31699 | Leather Goods & Luggage Manufacturing | 15,420 | -5.5 |
| 16 | 33441 | Semiconductor and Other Electronic Component Manufacturing | 297,117 | -5.4 |
| 17 | 33699c | ATV, Golf Cart & Snowmobile Manufacturing | 16,461 | -5.3 |
| 18 | 51331b | Wired Telecommunications Carriers | 519,970 | -5.3 |
| 19 | 48711 | Bus & Rail Sightseeing | 15,565 | -5.2 |
| 20 | 33792 | Blind & Shade Manufacturing | 15,321 | -5.1 |

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