
ARIZONA LOST 7,600 JOBS IN MARCH



Arizona's unemployment rate rose to 7.8% in March, and shows no signs of retreating. The Grand Canyon State lost 7,600 jobs last month. The state's unemployment rate was up from 7.4% in February, and 4.7% in March 2008. Analysts expect the unemployment rate to reach 8% for April, and 10% before the end of the year. March was the 19th straight month that the construction sector lost jobs. Government lost 1,700 jobs, including 600 in the schools.

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