



STATE-BY-STATE JOB LOSS: COVID-19 CONTINUES TO DEVASTATE HOTEL INDUSTRY

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Study Showcases Ongoing Devastating Impact of COVID-19 on Hotel Industry Employment

The pandemic has been devastating to the hospitality industry workforce, wiping out 10 years of hotel job growth. Leisure and hospitality has lost 3.1 million jobs during the pandemic that have yet to return, representing more than a third of all unemployed persons in the United States, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics. Even more stark, the unemployment rate in the accommodation sector specifically remains 330% higher than the rest of the economy. Urban areas have been hit particularly hard by COVID-19, and [New York City](#) has seen one-third of its hotel rooms—more than 42,000—wiped out by the pandemic, with nearly 200 hotels closing permanently in the city. With hotels expected to end 2021 down 500,000 jobs, based on the pre-pandemic ratio, an additional 1.3 million hotel-supported jobs are in jeopardy this year without additional support from Congress.

Note: These numbers are just direct hotel property jobs, such as housekeepers and front desk agents, impacted and do not include the total job loss from other industries which are supported by the hotel industry, including restaurants, retail, attractions and live events, transportation services, small business vendors and supplies for hotels, among many others.

STATE	Total Hotel Property Jobs By State			Coronavirus-Induced Job Loss By State	
	Total 2019 Jobs	Total 2020 Jobs	Total 2021 Jobs	Total Jobs Lost in 2020*	Total Expected Jobs Lost in 2021**
UNITED STATES	2,341,271	1,668,955	1,863,026	-672,316	-478,245
ALABAMA	21,243	17,893	18,994	(3,350)	(2,249)
ALASKA	9,928	7,118	7,998	(2,810)	(1,930)
ARIZONA	58,680	43,445	46,037	(15,235)	(12,643)
ARKANSAS	12,842	10,402	10,693	(2,441)	(2,150)
CALIFORNIA	292,566	201,589	225,397	(90,977)	(67,169)
COLORADO	52,929	39,737	45,064	(13,192)	(7,864)
CONNECTICUT	26,225	17,425	20,321	(8,799)	(5,904)
DELAWARE	4,822	3,536	3,946	(1,286)	(876)
D.C.	16,402	10,794	12,759	(5,608)	(3,643)
FLORIDA	206,667	143,738	167,107	(62,930)	(39,560)
GEORGIA	57,288	44,955	47,802	(12,333)	(9,486)
HAWAII	44,319	22,088	24,290	(22,231)	(20,029)

IDAHO	11,667	10,539	11,390	(1,128)	(277)
ILLINOIS	60,643	39,205	44,057	(21,438)	(16,586)
INDIANA	25,629	18,946	20,508	(6,683)	(5,121)
IOWA	22,467	17,433	18,979	(5,034)	(3,488)
KANSAS	13,488	10,454	11,320	(3,035)	(2,169)
KENTUCKY	17,409	12,832	13,952	(4,577)	(3,457)
LOUISIANA	37,826	28,993	32,406	(8,833)	(5,420)
MAINE	11,976	8,362	9,705	(3,614)	(2,271)
MARYLAND	33,389	24,180	28,005	(9,209)	(5,384)
MASSACHUSETTS	42,570	25,852	28,063	(16,718)	(14,507)
MICHIGAN	55,606	35,376	40,506	(20,230)	(15,100)
MINNESOTA	35,645	23,176	25,083	(12,469)	(10,562)
MISSISSIPPI	34,551	29,231	30,407	(5,320)	(4,143)
MISSOURI	40,998	31,394	35,040	(9,604)	(5,959)
MONTANA	12,962	10,742	11,334	(2,219)	(1,627)
NEBRASKA	9,927	8,020	8,687	(1,907)	(1,240)
NEVADA	191,479	148,040	169,197	(43,439)	(22,282)
NEW HAMPSHIRE	8,824	6,292	7,239	(2,532)	(1,585)
NEW JERSEY	54,498	38,647	45,598	(15,851)	(8,900)
NEW MEXICO	20,899	16,007	17,303	(4,892)	(3,596)
NEW YORK	116,106	64,724	78,078	(51,382)	(38,028)
NORTH CAROLINA	53,482	36,471	37,949	(17,011)	(15,532)
NORTH DAKOTA	7,252	5,420	6,029	(1,833)	(1,224)
OHIO	43,394	28,525	33,074	(14,869)	(10,320)
OKLAHOMA	34,135	28,012	29,400	(6,123)	(4,735)
OREGON	31,554	22,144	24,185	(9,410)	(7,369)
PENNSYLVANIA	65,571	43,904	49,415	(21,666)	(16,156)
RHODE ISLAND	5,646	3,868	4,696	(1,778)	(950)
SOUTH CAROLINA	35,446	26,939	29,280	(8,506)	(6,166)
SOUTH DAKOTA	9,918	8,210	8,878	(1,708)	(1,039)
TENNESSEE	42,120	31,312	34,789	(10,808)	(7,331)
TEXAS	151,481	121,894	131,734	(29,586)	(19,746)
UTAH	23,914	19,809	21,940	(4,105)	(1,974)
VERMONT	12,398	7,528	8,972	(4,870)	(3,426)
VIRGINIA	52,897	35,630	39,648	(17,267)	(13,249)
WASHINGTON	43,748	29,637	32,933	(14,111)	(10,816)
WEST VIRGINIA	12,585	8,883	9,903	(3,703)	(2,683)
WISCONSIN	42,118	30,942	32,857	(11,176)	(9,261)
WYOMING	11,144	8,668	10,081	(2,476)	(1,063)

Source: Oxford Economics

* All figures compared to 2019 baseline.

**Predicted job loss by the end of the 2021. All figures compared to 2019 baseline.