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“Governor Brownback has a disturbing habit of misrepresenting the numbers. Kansas is clearly lagging behind the rest of the country in job creation. There are fewer Kansans in the workforce now, then there were when Sam Brownback took office. That doesn’t sound like progress to me.”

- Paul Davis

Highlights:

- **16,400 fewer Kansans in the labor force since Sam Brownback took office.**
- **10,103 fewer people in the labor force than May 2013**
- **The unemployment rate may have gone down, but that can be misleading.**
- - Example: Missouri's workforce has increased since June 2013 by 7,000 and their unemployment rate only went down .4%. And the Kansas workforce decreased by 10,103 since May, but the unemployment rate went down .6%.

Breakdown of November 2013 Kansas Jobs Numbers

From May of 2013 to November (Since Brownback’s second tax package passed)

- Civilian Labor Force (total potential employees): 10,103 fewer people in the labor force than in May 2013
- Employed (total number of people reported having a job): 740 fewer workers than May 2013
- Unemployed (total number of people filing for benefits and looking for work; does not include people who have given up looking for work and filing for benefits and does not include people who have exhausted their benefits): 9,363 fewer unemployment claims since May 2013

* Brownback's release does not address these numbers at all.

From January 2011 - Oct 2013: Period during which Brownback cites 46,500 new jobs

- Civilian Labor Force: -16,440
- - 16,440 fewer people in the labor force between now and the time Sam Brownback took office.
- Employed: +3,634 (not 46,500, which is what was claimed by Brownback)
- Unemployment: -20,074

From November 2012 - November 13: Period during which Brownback cites 20,000 new jobs

- Civilian Labor Force: +114
- Employed: +4,999
- Unemployment: -4,837

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