Strong Job Gains Continue with 255,000 Jobs Added in July
Women Gain 7 Out of 10 New Jobs (181,000) Compared to Men (74,000)

The Institute for Women’s Policy Research (IWPR) analysis of the August employment report from the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) finds that women gained 181,000 jobs and men gained 74,000 for a total of 255,000 jobs added in July, giving women 71 percent of job growth.

The overall unemployment rate remained steady at 4.9 percent from June to July; however, unemployment declined from 4.9 percent in June to 4.7 percent in July among women aged 16 years and older and increased from 4.9 percent in June to 5.0 percent in July among men aged 16 years and older.
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