

Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City to Host Annual Jackson Hole Economic Policy Symposium Aug. 21-23

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This year's theme to explore Labor Markets in Transition: Demographics, Productivity and Macroeconomic Policy.

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KANSAS CITY, Mo. - The Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City will convene its annual Economic Policy Symposium Aug. 21-23 in Jackson Hole, Wyoming. The 2025 event, which marks the symposium's 48th year, will focus on the theme "Labor Markets in Transition: Demographics, Productivity and Macroeconomic Policy."

Labor markets are undergoing structural change. Some drivers of this change reflect the acceleration of pre-existing trends, such as declining birth rates, an aging labor force, and reduced labor mobility. There have also been new developments like the spread and maturation of artificial intelligence, which could potentially change the economic role and value of labor. How these factors will affect labor markets over the coming years and how those developments will interact with fiscal and monetary policy will be among the questions Symposium participants explore.

The full agenda will be available at kansascityfed.org on Thursday, Aug. 21, at 8 p.m. EDT/6 p.m. MDT. Federal Reserve Chair Jerome Powell's remarks will be streamed on the Kansas City Fed's YouTube channel, www.youtube.com/kansascityfed, on Friday, Aug. 22, at 10 a.m. EDT/8 a.m. MDT.

Papers and other materials will be posted on the Kansas City Fed's website as they are presented during the event.

Since 1978, the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City has sponsored a symposium on an important economic issue facing the U.S. and world economies. Beginning in 1982, the symposium has been hosted at the Jackson Lake Lodge at Grand Teton National Park, which is located in Wyoming—one of the seven states served by the Tenth Federal Reserve District.

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Each year, the event provides a venue for international central bankers, Federal Reserve officials, other policymakers and academics to discuss issues of mutual concern. Visit kansascityfed.org to read more about the symposium's decades-long history.

As the regional headquarters of the nation's central bank, the Kansas City Fed and its branch offices in Denver, Oklahoma City and Omaha serve the seven states of the Tenth District: Colorado, Kansas, Nebraska, Oklahoma, Wyoming, northern New Mexico and western Missouri.

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In Late August, a history of the Jackson Hole Economic Policy Symposium

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