

Assessing the Relationship Between Online Job Postings and Total Hires and Education Levels in Arizona

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Help Wanted Online (HWOL)

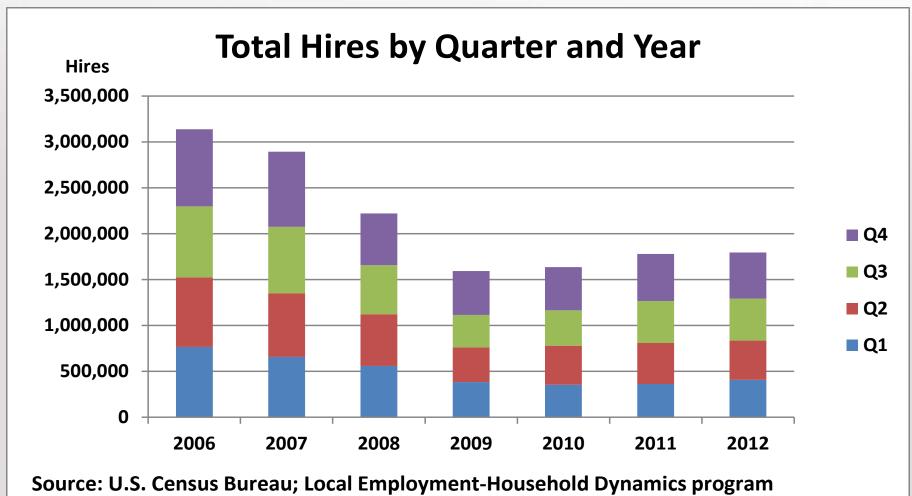
- HWOL data series from the Conference Board primarily consists of online job postings by occupation
- These job postings are compiled from internet job boards, company websites, and newspapers using spidering technology Examples of websites:
 - Monster
 - CareerBuilder
 - Employer Job Boards
 - Government Job Boards
- Postings collected at regular frequency and deduplication logic applied. Continuously updated
- Data are parsed to produce information on hiring requirements including education, experience, skills, and certifications
- A useful resource to assess current online job posting trends, new and emerging occupations, and their skill requirements
- Geographically comprehensive (State, MSA, County)

Longitudinal Employment Dynamics

- Provides labor market information (LMI) statistics by industry
- LMI data collected from establishment universe quarterly
- Unemployment insurance covered employment and wages by industry
- Worker demographics collected includes age, sex, race, ethnicity, educational attainment, and place of residence
- Variety of data sources used for worker demographics such as, administrative records, Social Security data, Federal tax records, and other census and survey data
- Six month lag in the data

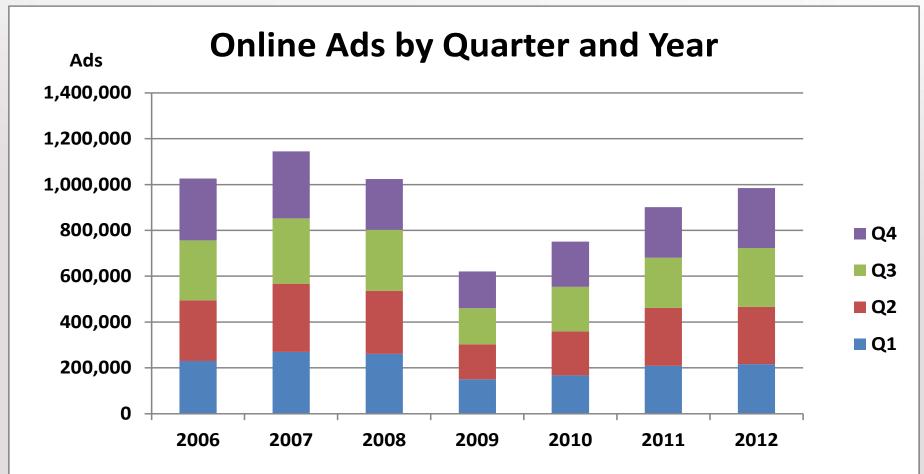


Hiring activity in Arizona gradually picking up post-recession





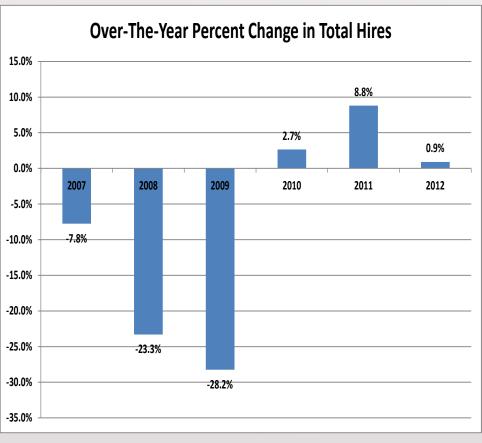
Online Ad postings picking up at a faster pace than total hires post-recession

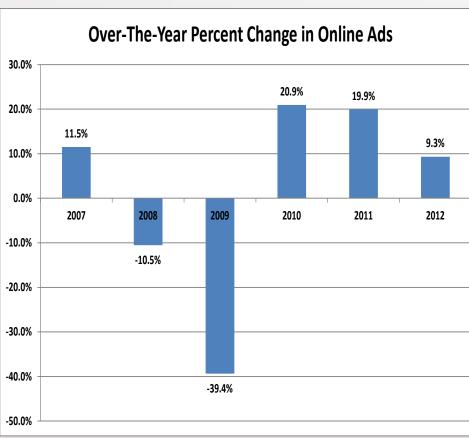


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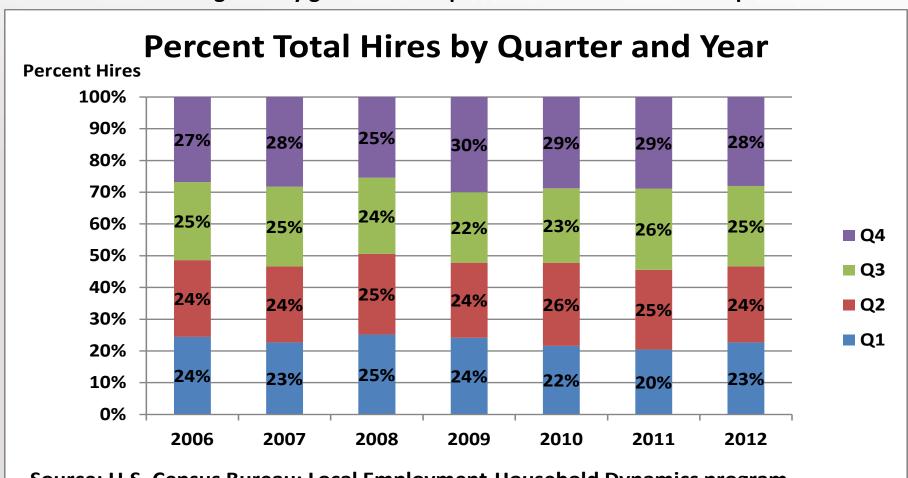
Over-the-year growth in online ads outpaced total hires







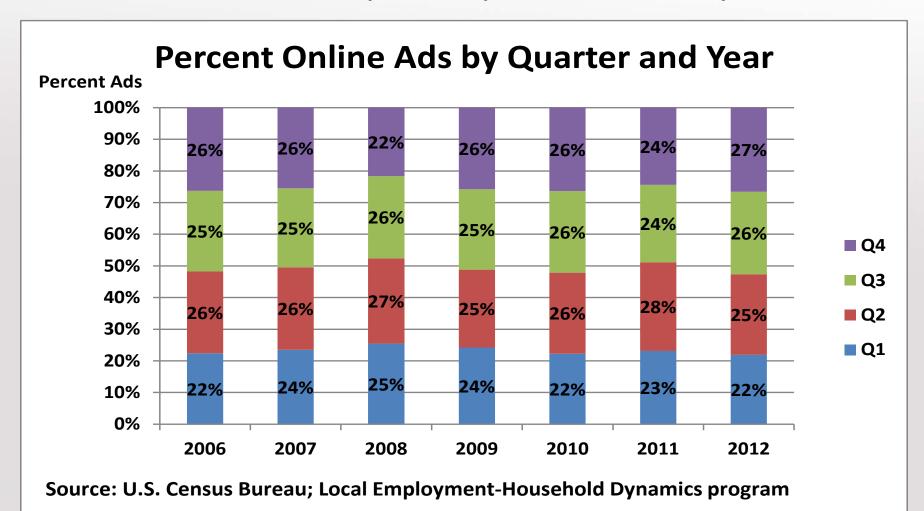
Arizona Hiring activity greater in 4th quarter and lowest in the 1st quarter



Source: U.S. Census Bureau; Local Employment-Household Dynamics program

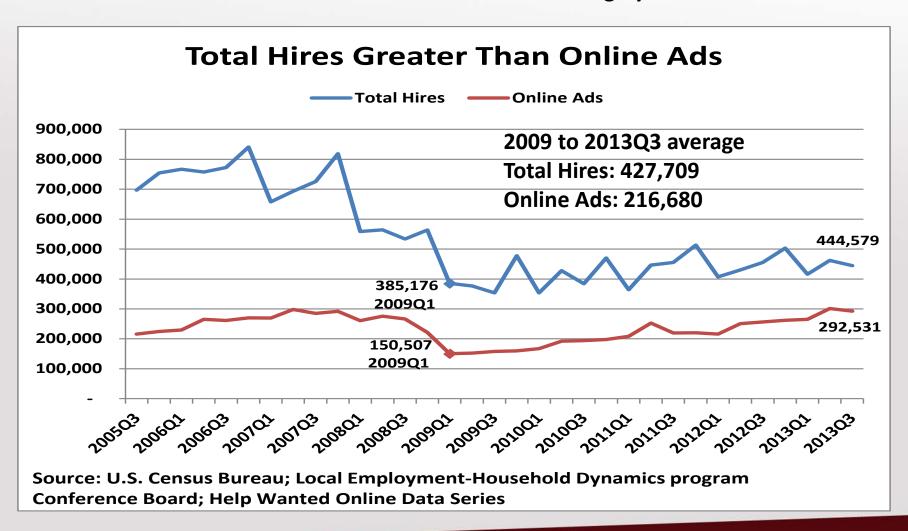


Fewer Ads in the 1st quarter compared to the rest of the year

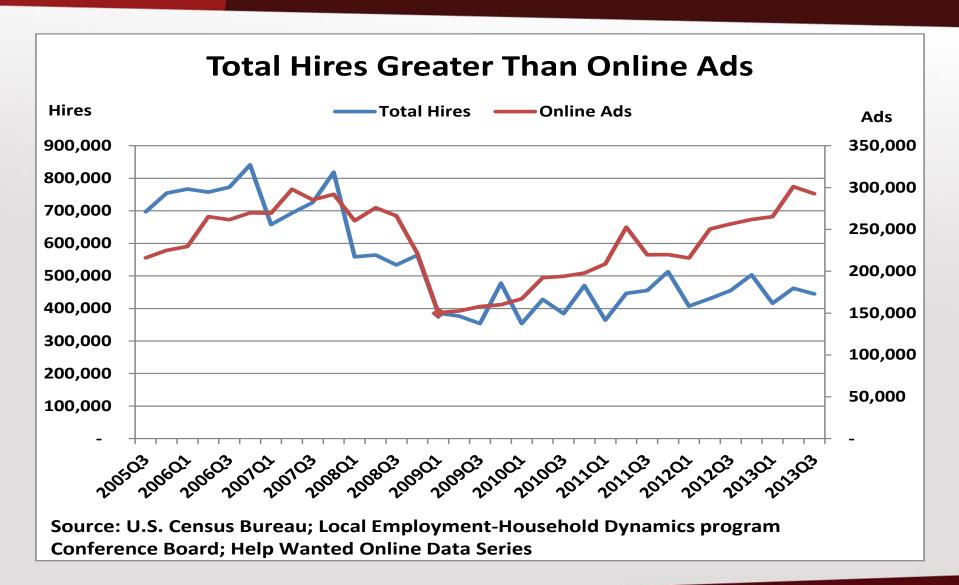




From 2009 to 2013Q3 Online Ads accounted for roughly half the hires

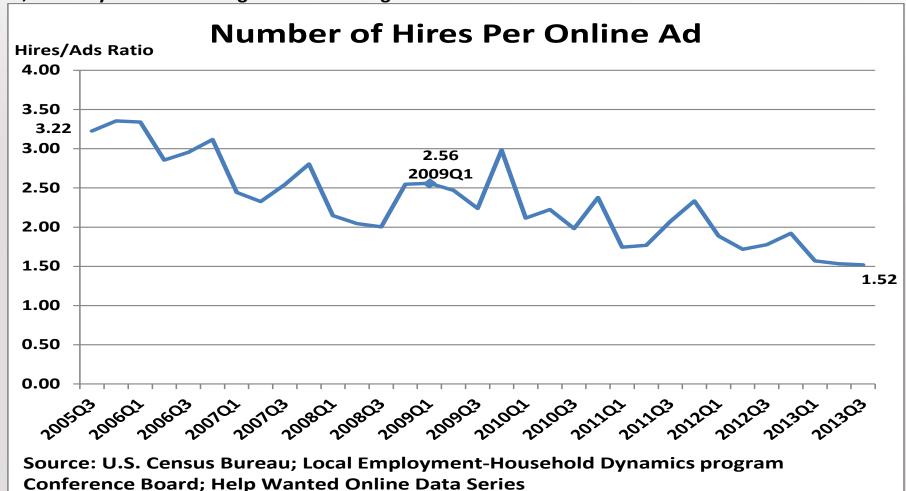








Greater internet access, fluency, and familiarity, possible improvement in deduplication logic, reduced cost, etc. may be contributing to the declining ratio

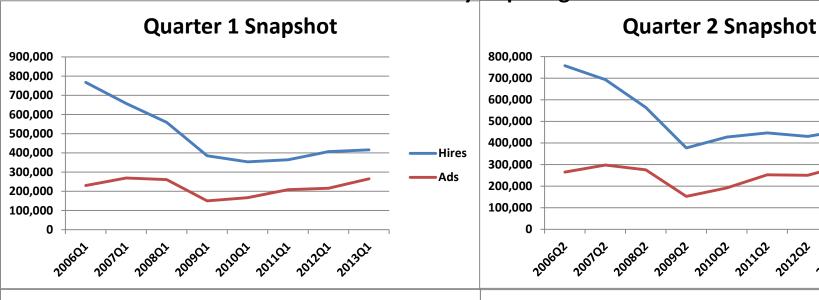


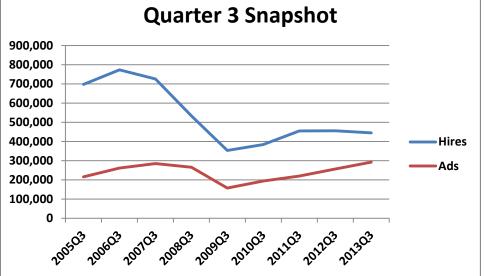


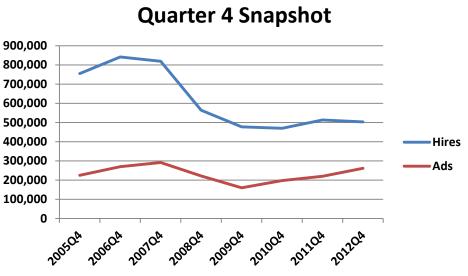
Hires

Ads

Largest gap between hires and online ads in the 4th quarter most likely due to a higher concentration of seasonal hires not necessarily requiring an online ad

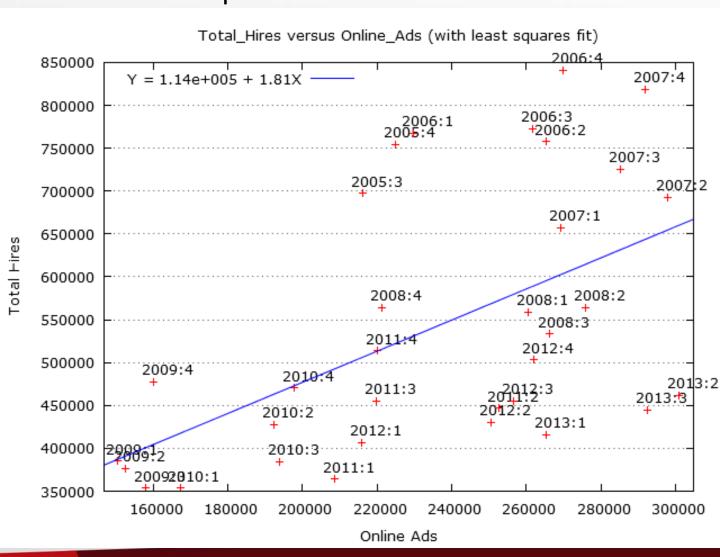








Scatter plot of total hires Vs online Ads





Do Online Job Ads Predict Hiring?

Cochrane-Orcutt, using observations 2005:4-2013:3 (T = 32)
Dependent variable: Total_Hires
rho = 0.80576

	Coefficient	Std. Error	t-ratio	p-value	
const	96948.2	161214	0.6014	0.55212	
Online_Ads	1.65327	0.592218	2.7916	0.00904	***

Statistics based on the rho-differenced data:

Mean dependent var	535450.0	S.D. dependent var	152616.2
Sum squared resid	1.76e + 11	S.E. of regression	76626.07
R-squared	0.756079	Adjusted R-squared	0.747948
F(1, 30)	7.793301	P-value(F)	0.009036
rho	-0.252095	Durbin-Watson	2.450793

Total Hires = 96,948.2 + 1.65327 Online Ads + e



Education Categories

Local Employment Household Dynamics

Five educational sub-categories:

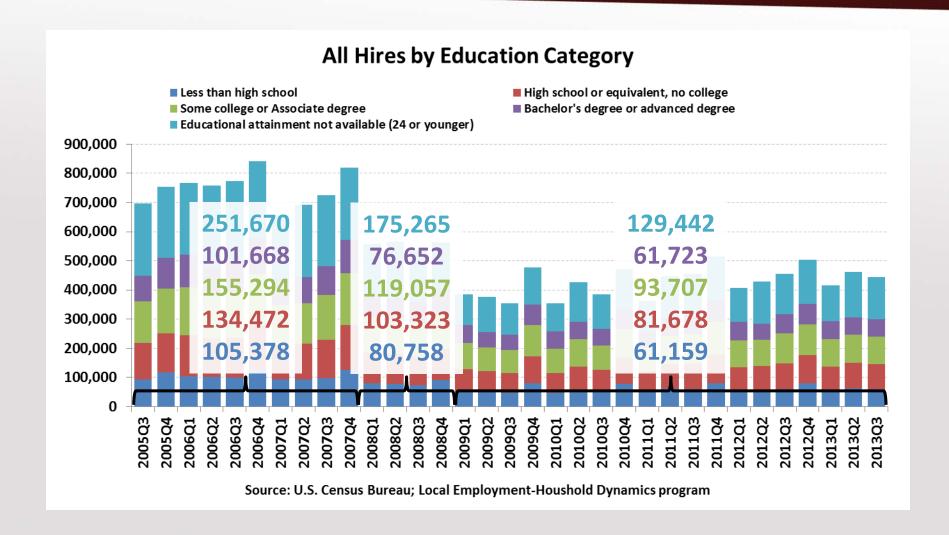
- Less than high school
- High school or equivalent, no college
- Some college or Associate degree
- Bachelor's degree or advanced degree
- Educational attainment not available (workers aged 24 or younger)

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Eight educational sub-categories:

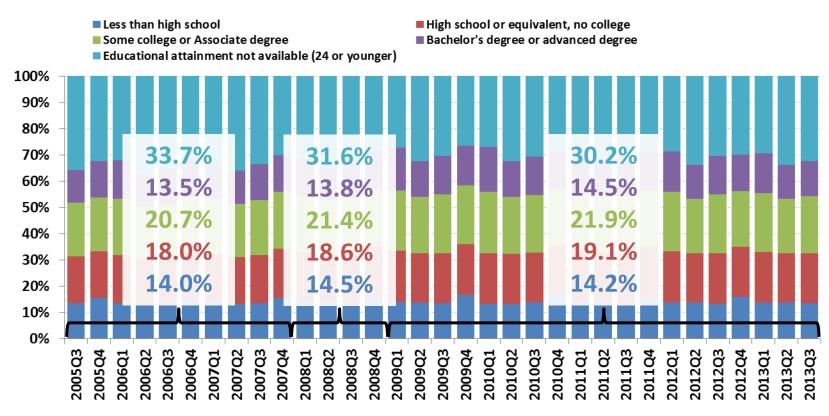
- Less than high school
- High school diploma or equivalent
- Some college, no degree
- Postsecondary non-degree award
- Associate's degree
- Bachelor's degree
- Master's degree
- Doctoral or professional degree





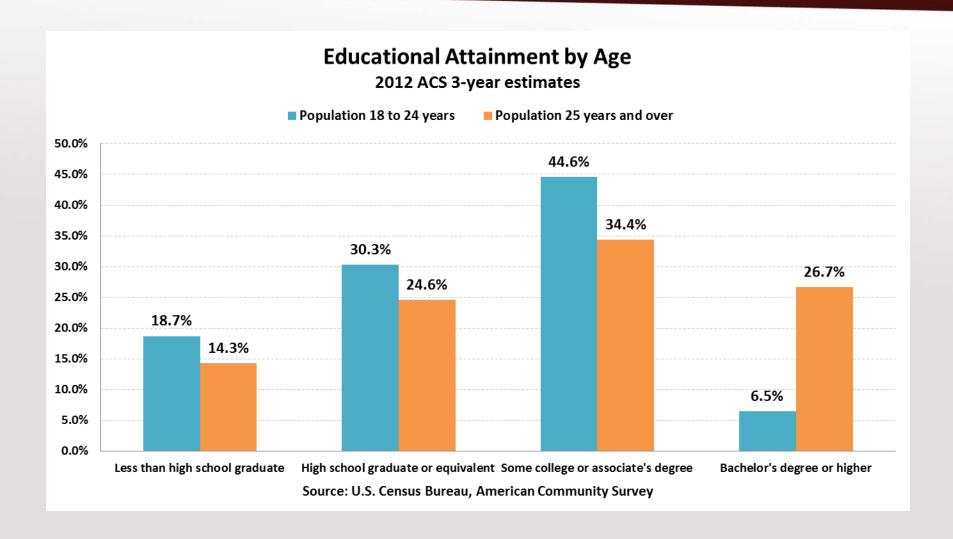




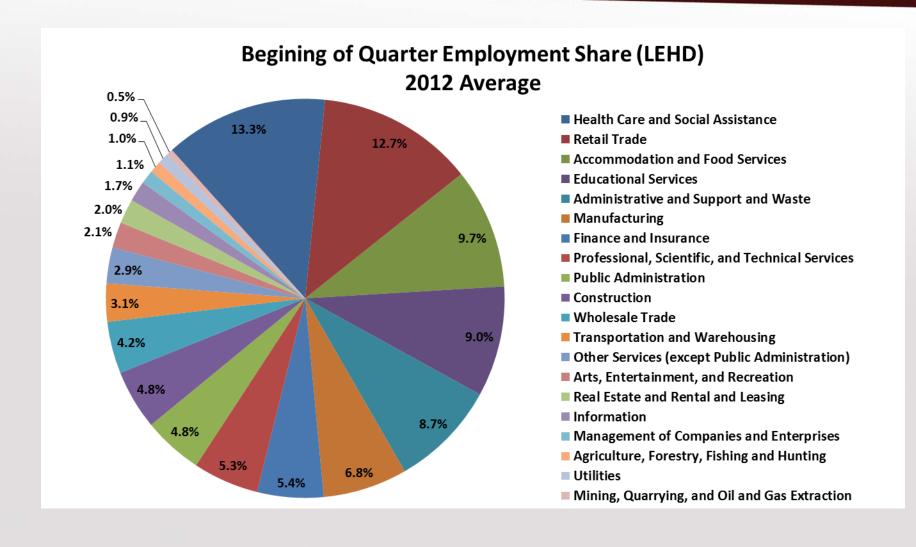


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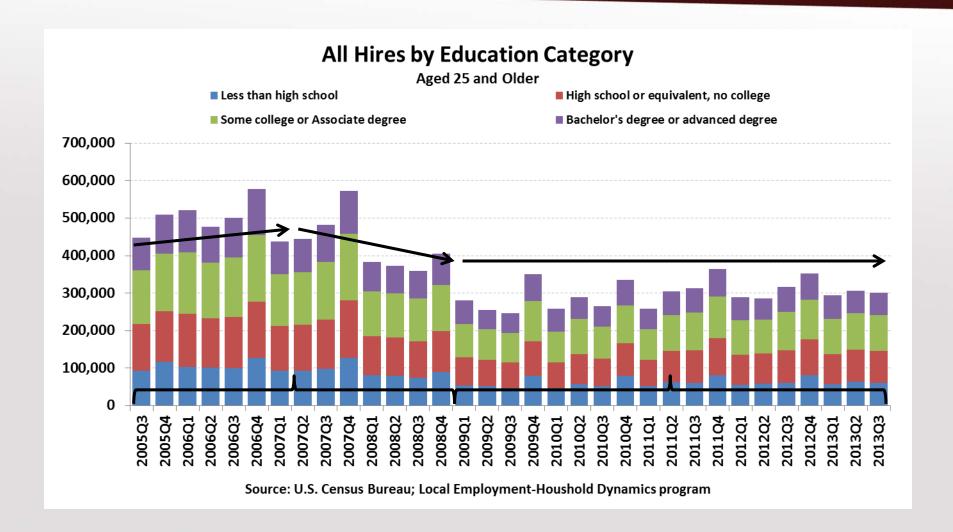




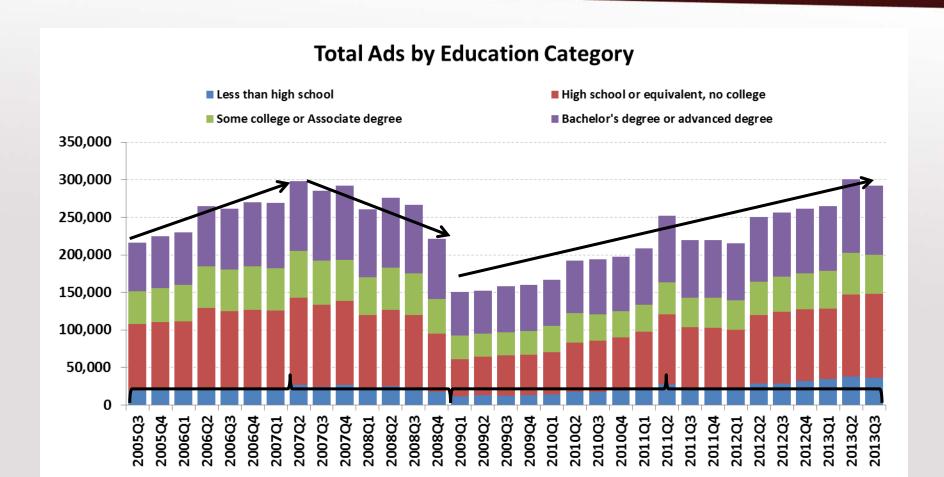






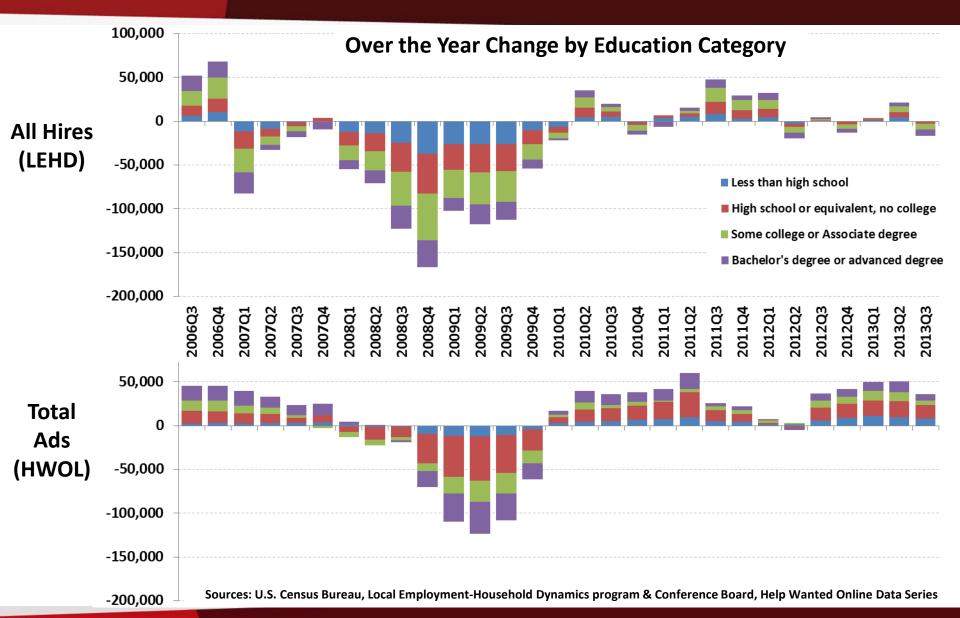




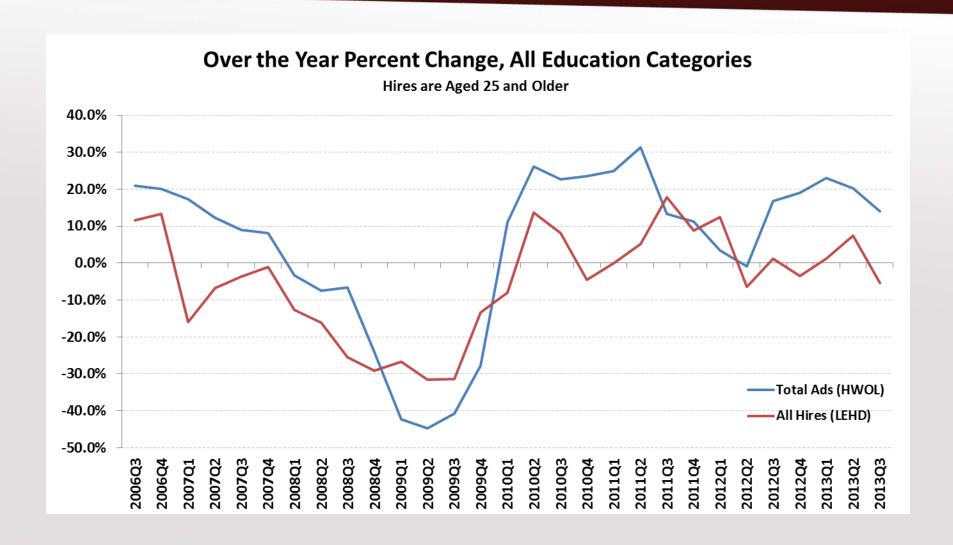


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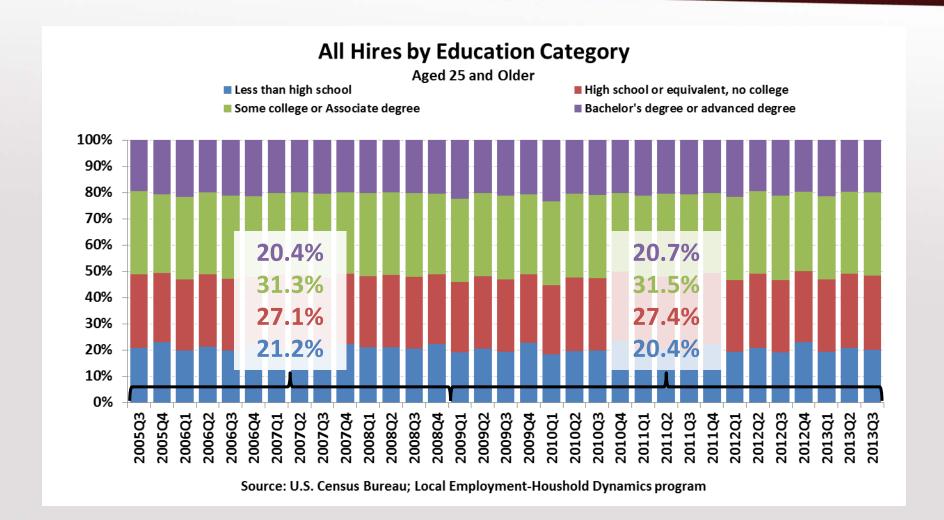






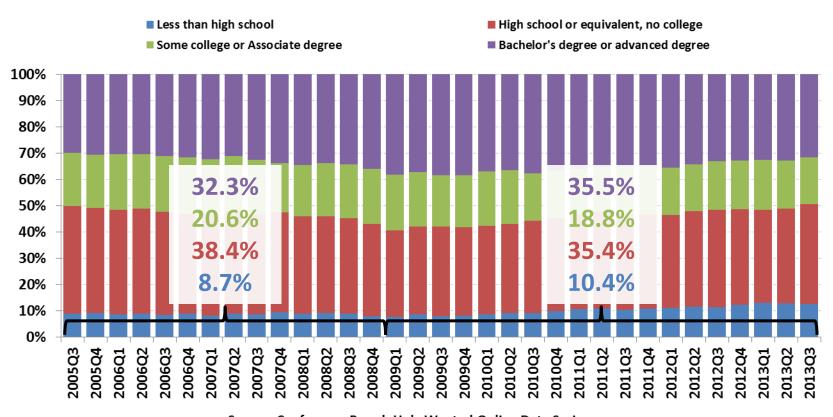






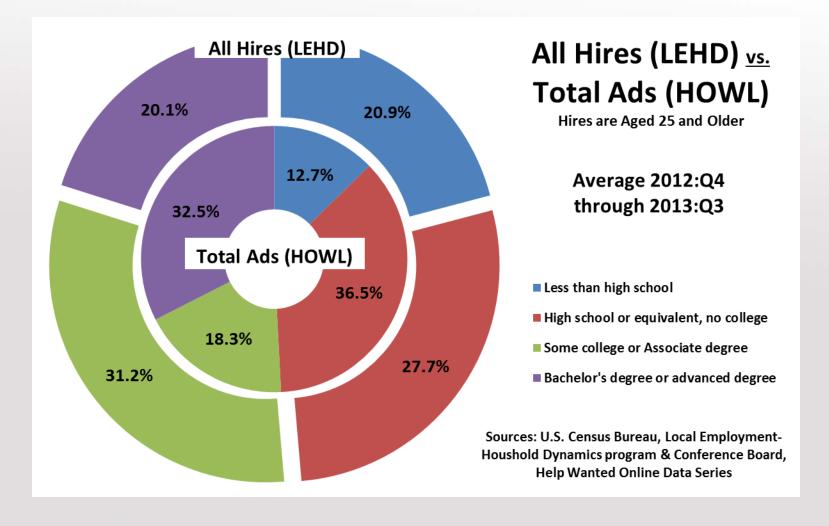




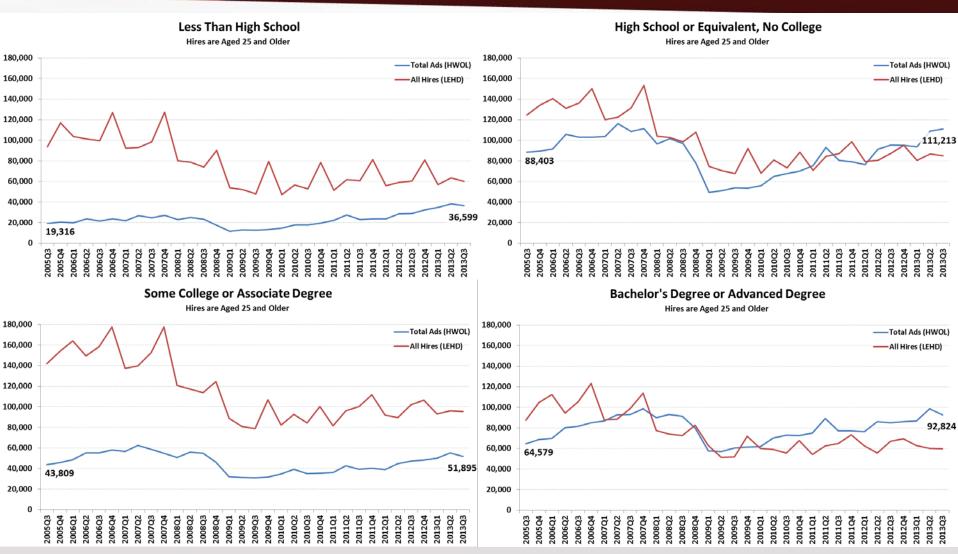


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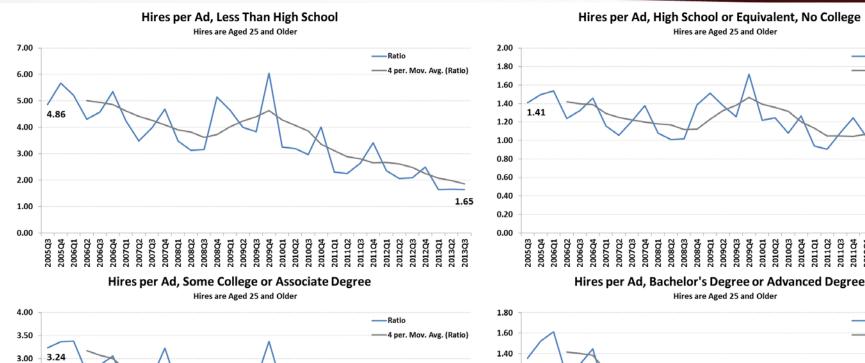


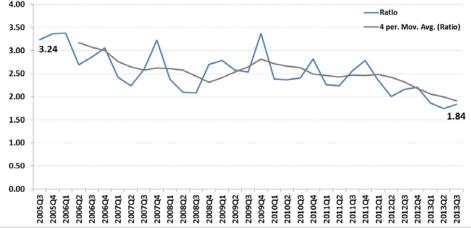
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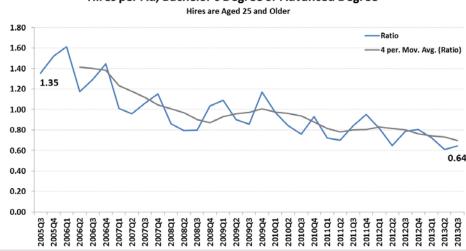


-Ratio

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All Hires Aged 25 and Older

Cochrane-Orcutt, using observations 2005:4-2013:3 (T = 32) Dependent variable: All Hires rho = 0.711248

	Coefficient	Std. Error	t-ratio	p-value	
Constant	138762	115680	1.1995	0.23971	
Total Ads	0.893729	0.453439	1.9710	0.05801	*

Statistics based on the rho-differenced data:

Mean dependent var	365829.4	S.D. dependent var	97968.03
Sum squared resid	1.12e+11	S.E. of regression	61184.36
R-squared	0.622881	Adjusted R-squared	0.610310
F(1,30)	3.884851	P-value(F)	0.058011
rho	-0.149805	Durbin-Watson	2.222030



			<u>All Hi</u>	<u>res Aged</u>	25 and Olde	<u>r</u>			
	Less tha	n high schoo	1		High s	chool or eq	uivalent, no	college	
	Yule-Wal	ker Estimates				Yule-Walk	er Estimates		
SSE	1.04011E10	DFE		30	SSE	6914800410	DFE		30
MSE	346702744	Root MSE		18620	MSE	230493347	Root MSE		15182
SBC	750.34262	AIC	745.	853097	SBC	736.9054	AIC	732.4	15877
MAE	14752.9589	AICC	746.	680683	MAE	12548.4381	AICC	733.24	43464
MAPE	20.3835448	HQC	747.	363685	MAPE	12.8132317	HQC	733.92	26465
Durbin-Watsor	2.1866	Regress R-Squ	are	0.0299	Durbin-Watson	1.8614	Regress R-Squa	re 0	.1929
		Total R-Squar	e	0.3822			Total R-Square	0	.6697
	Paramet	er Estimates				<u>Paramete</u>	er Estimates		
	Standar	d	Approx			Standard		Approx	
Variable	DF Estimat	e Error	t Value	Pr > t	Variable	DF Estimate	Error	t Value	Pr > t
Intercept	1 5716	9 21945	2.61	0.0142	Intercept	1 42687	22629	1.89	0.0690
E1_ads	1 0.845	5 0.8791	0.96	0.3439	E2_ads	1 0.6603	0.2466	2.68	0.0119
Son	ne college d	r Associate	degree		Bache	lor's degree	e or advance	d degree	
	Yule-Wa	lker Estimates				Yule-Walk	ker Estimates		
SSE	9503973659	DFE		30	SSE	5250185146	DFE		30
MSE	316799122	Root MSE		17799	MSE	175006172	Root MSE		13229
SBC	747.305904	AIC	742.	816382	SBC	728.077631	AIC	723.5	
MAE	14606.4968	AICC		643968	MAE	10759.1	AICC	724.4	15694
MAPE	12.5931835	HQC	744.	326969	MAPE	14.1373654	HQC	725.0	98696
Durbin-Watso	n 1.7098	Regress R-Squ	are	0.2167	Durbin-Watson	1.9394	Regress R-Squa	re 0	.0274
		Total R-Squar	е	0.6664			Total R-Square	. 0	.5838
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Variable	DF Estimat	e Error	t Value	Pr > t	Variable	DF Estimate	e Error	t Value	Pr > t
Intercept	1 373	7 28035	1.33	0.1932	Intercept	1 51402	2 27161	1.89	0.0681
E3_ads	1 1.704	0.5915	2.88	0.0073	E4_ads	1 0.3022	0.3286	0.92	0.3651



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