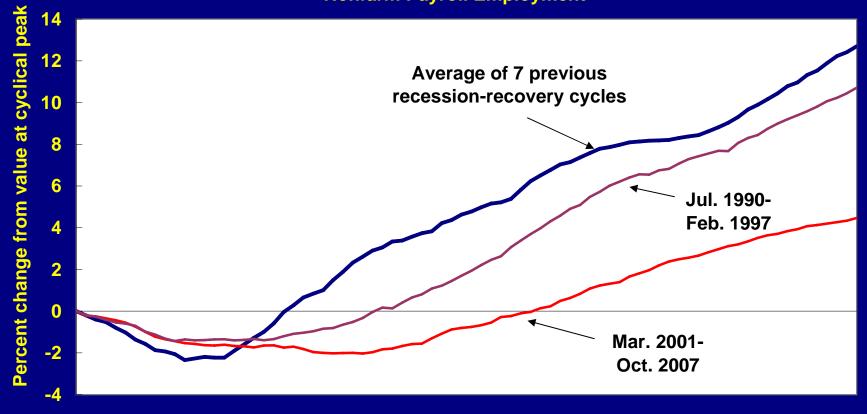
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Nonfarm Payroll Employment



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Sources: JEC Democratic Staff calculations using data from the U.S. Department of Labor and the National Bureau of Economic Research.

Note: Jan. 1980 recession is omitted from average as it overlaps with the next recession in Jul. 1981.