People in Rajasthan are increasingly moving off the farm and into other kinds of work. Since 2005, growth in non-farm jobs has been among the highest in India, led by construction. Despite this, overall job creation in the state lags behind the expansion of the working age population that is not in school and there is a growing jobs deficit. What’s more, half the population is still on the farm, and there are very few salaried jobs and even fewer job opportunities for women.

Non-farm employment share in Rajasthan is below the national average, but higher than most Low Income States

Low Income States are highlighted in orange, AI is All India.
Job growth in Rajasthan was among the highest in India after 2005

Number of jobs added, 2005-2012 (mn)

Annual job growth, 2005-2012 (%)

Construction drove job growth in Rajasthan after 2005

Number of jobs, (mn)

Annual job growth, 2005-2012 (%)
More wage employment in Rajasthan after 2005, mostly for casual wages

Employment by wage type, (%)

- Wage Labor
- Self Employed

Fewer salaried jobs in Rajasthan than in other states

Salaried jobs share, 2012 (%)

Low Income States are highlighted in orange, AI is All India.
Not enough jobs in Rajasthan for the size of the working age population not in school, especially for females

Sharp decline in female labor force participation in Rajasthan after 2005