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January 2009 Local Unemployment Rates Announced

MADISON – Department of Workforce Development (DWD) Secretary Roberta Gassman today released January 2009 local unemployment rates for Wisconsin cities, counties, and metropolitan areas.

"Like every other state in the nation, Wisconsin is seeing increases in unemployment across most localities that underscore the economic challenges our country faces," Secretary Gassman said. "That's why we are taking strong action with President Obama and Governor Doyle through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act to get people working again and jump-start our economy."

METRO AREAS

Unemployment rates increased in each of the state's 12 Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSA) in January compared to December. All 12 MSAs recorded higher rates in January 2009 than January 2008. The Madison MSA had the lowest rate in January at 5.3 percent. The Janesville MSA recorded the highest rate at 11.6 percent.

Preliminary nonfarm wage and salary jobs decreased in all 11 reporting metro areas over the month. When January 2009 preliminary job numbers are compared to the January 2008 totals, the results also show decreases in each of the 11 metro areas.

COUNTIES

Unemployment rates increased in all 72 Wisconsin counties during the month of January. Menominee County, up .5 percentage points, had the smallest increase, followed by Dane and Iron Counties, both up 1.1 percentage points. Dane County, at 4.9 percent, recorded the lowest January rate, while Rusk County, at 12.2 percent, recorded the highest rate.

On an annual basis, Menominee County, which declined 0.3 percentage points, recorded the only decrease in rate. Rock County recorded the greatest increase from January 2008 to January 2009, with a rise of 6.2 percentage points to 11.6 percent.

Employment and Labor Force

Place of Residence Data

Unadjusted labor force estimates

	Current	Month Ago	Year Ago
Total labor force	3,073,700	3,080,100	3,065,500
Employed	2,839,600	2,900,100	2,914,800
Unemployed	234,200	180,000	150,700
Wis. Unemployment Rate	7.6%	5.8%	4.9%
U.S. Unemployment Rate	8.5%	7.1%	5.4%

Adjusted labor force estimates

	Current	Month Ago	Year Ago
Total labor force	3,099,500	3,110,600	3,083,200
Employed	2,884,100	2,927,700	2,946,600
Unemployed	215,400	182,900	136,600
Wis. Unemployment Rate	6.9%	5.9%	4.4%
U.S. Unemployment Rate	7.6%	7.2%	4.9%

Unadjusted Unemployment Rate, by WI Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA)

MSA	Current	Month Ago	Year Ago
<i>Wisconsin</i>	7.6	5.8	4.9
Appleton	7.1	5.5	4.6
Eau Claire	7.1	5.5	4.9
Fond du Lac	8.0	6.0	4.9
Green Bay	7.3	5.7	4.8
Janesville	11.6	8.1	5.4
La Crosse	6.6	5.1	4.3
Madison	5.3	4.1	3.5
Milwaukee-Waukesha-West Allis	7.1	5.7	4.7
Oshkosh-Neenah	6.4	4.9	4.3
Racine	8.8	6.8	5.8
Sheboygan	7.8	5.8	4.2
Wausau	7.5	5.2	4.4

Place of Work Data

Nonfarm wage and salary estimates, by WI Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA), in thousands

MSA	Current	Month Ago	Year Ago
<i>Wisconsin</i>	2755.6	2843.5	2828.3
Appleton	114.2	116.3	116.4
Eau Claire	80.2	83.2	81.7
Green Bay	163.5	167.9	167.3
Janesville	64.4	67	68.3
La Crosse	72.5	75.2	74
Madison	335.9	345.4	342
Milwaukee-Waukesha-West Allis	820.5	841.8	843.8
Oshkosh-Neenah	92.7	94.4	93
Racine	77.6	79.5	79.1
Sheboygan	61.6	63.1	62.9
Wausau	69.8	71.5	71.7

Source *LAUS/CES and DWD Bureau of Workforce Training - Labor Market Information, and DWD Office of Economic Advisors

**As of February 2008, Fond du Lac MSA wage and salary estimates no longer reported due to Federal Bureau of Labor Statistics policy changes.

WISCONSIN COUNTIES

Unemployment Rates

January 2009

(Not Seasonally Adjusted)

RANK	COUNTY	RATE	LAST RATE	LAST RANK	YR AGO RATE	RANK	COUNTY	RATE	LAST RATE	LAST RANK	YR AGO RATE
3	ADAMS	11.7%	9.4%	3	8.1%	55	MARATHON	7.5%	5.2%	61	4.4%
21	ASHLAND	9.6%	7.2%	24	6.0%	19	MARINETTE	9.7%	8.2%	10	6.3%
20	BARRON	9.6%	7.3%	23	7.1%	12	MARQUETTE	10.6%	7.9%	17	7.1%
10	BAYFIELD	10.7%	8.0%	14	8.3%	13	MENOMINEE	10.5%	10.0%	2	10.8%
65	BROWN	6.7%	5.3%	58	4.5%	51	MILWAUKEE	7.6%	6.3%	36	5.3%
64	BUFFALO	6.9%	5.1%	62	4.7%	50	MONROE	7.7%	5.9%	46	5.1%
6	BURNETT	11.4%	8.5%	7	8.3%	9	OCONTO	10.7%	8.2%	11	6.6%
66	CALUMET	6.5%	5.0%	63	4.5%	11	ONEIDA	10.6%	8.3%	9	7.3%
29	CHIPPEWA	8.9%	6.8%	29	6.0%	56	OUTAGAMIE	7.3%	5.6%	50	4.7%
18	CLARK	10.0%	6.8%	31	6.6%	69	OZAUKEE	6.0%	4.8%	67	3.6%
44	COLUMBIA	8.1%	6.2%	42	5.3%	37	PEPIN	8.5%	5.6%	54	5.8%
31	CRAWFORD	8.8%	7.0%	25	7.0%	60	PIERCE	7.1%	5.4%	56	4.8%
72	DANE	4.9%	3.8%	72	3.2%	15	POLK	10.5%	7.6%	19	7.0%
40	DODGE	8.3%	6.2%	43	5.1%	63	PORTAGE	7.0%	4.9%	66	4.8%
14	DOOR	10.5%	7.9%	16	7.4%	35	PRICE	8.5%	6.5%	34	4.8%
47	DOUGLAS	7.8%	6.3%	37	5.3%	32	RACINE	8.8%	6.8%	28	5.8%
59	DUNN	7.2%	5.0%	64	4.8%	62	RICHLAND	7.0%	5.3%	59	4.9%
71	EAU CLAIRE	5.9%	4.6%	71	4.2%	4	ROCK	11.6%	8.1%	12	5.4%
27	FLORENCE	9.0%	7.5%	20	5.8%	1	RUSK	12.2%	8.8%	6	7.5%
46	FOND DU LAC	8.0%	6.0%	45	4.9%	36	SAUK	8.5%	6.3%	41	5.4%
17	FOREST	10.0%	7.8%	18	7.7%	5	SAWYER	11.4%	9.0%	4	8.2%
52	GRANT	7.6%	5.6%	52	5.4%	42	SHAWANO	8.2%	6.3%	38	5.2%
45	GREEN	8.1%	5.5%	55	5.0%	49	SHEBOYGAN	7.8%	5.8%	49	4.2%
26	GREEN LAKE	9.1%	6.7%	32	6.5%	54	ST. CROIX	7.5%	5.6%	51	4.7%
43	IOWA	8.2%	5.6%	53	5.4%	2	TAYLOR	12.0%	8.1%	13	6.4%
7	IRON	11.3%	10.2%	1	8.0%	53	TREMPEALEAU	7.5%	5.8%	48	5.3%
22	JACKSON	9.6%	6.9%	27	7.0%	48	VERNON	7.8%	5.9%	47	5.6%
41	JEFFERSON	8.3%	6.2%	44	5.1%	8	VILAS	10.9%	8.9%	5	7.5%
23	JUNEAU	9.5%	7.5%	21	6.6%	39	WALWORTH	8.4%	6.3%	40	5.1%
33	KENOSHA	8.8%	6.6%	33	5.2%	16	WASHBURN	10.2%	8.3%	8	7.1%
57	KEWAUNEE	7.3%	5.3%	60	5.1%	61	WASHINGTON	7.1%	5.4%	57	4.3%
70	LA CROSSE	6.0%	4.7%	68	3.9%	68	WAUKESHA	6.1%	4.7%	69	3.8%
58	LAFAYETTE	7.3%	4.7%	70	4.7%	30	WAUPACA	8.9%	6.8%	30	5.5%
24	LANGLADE	9.4%	7.9%	15	6.6%	28	WAUSHARA	9.0%	6.9%	26	6.4%
25	LINCOLN	9.3%	7.4%	22	5.7%	67	WINNEBAGO	6.4%	4.9%	65	4.3%
38	MANITOWOC	8.4%	6.3%	39	5.4%	34	WOOD	8.7%	6.4%	35	5.8%
3	ADAMS	11.7%	9.4%	3	8.1%	55	MARATHON	7.5%	5.2%	61	4.4%

Source: Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development, Bureau of Workforce Training - Labor Market Information Section

WISCONSIN CITIES

Unemployment Rates

January 2009

(Not Seasonally Adjusted)

RANK	CITY	RATE	LAST RATE	LAST RANK	YR AGO RATE
11	APPLETON CITY	9.1%	7.1%	11	5.8%
1	BELOIT CITY	15.1%	11.3%	1	7.3%
29	BROOKFIELD CITY	4.9%	4.1%	28	3.2%
31	CALEDONIA VILLAGE	2.7%	2.1%	31	2.1%
21	EAU CLAIRE CITY	6.6%	5.1%	22	4.6%
9	FOND DU LAC CITY	9.6%	7.5%	8	5.5%
27	FRANKLIN CITY	5.5%	4.3%	26	3.8%
4	GREEN BAY CITY	10.3%	8.2%	4	7.0%
23	GREENFIELD CITY	6.4%	5.3%	20	4.4%
3	JANESVILLE CITY	13.1%	8.9%	3	5.6%
8	KENOSHA CITY	9.7%	7.2%	10	5.6%
20	LA CROSSE CITY	6.8%	5.3%	21	4.4%
30	MADISON CITY	4.4%	3.6%	30	3.0%
7	MANITOWOC CITY	9.7%	7.2%	9	6.0%
25	MENOMONEE FALLS VILLAGE	5.6%	4.4%	25	3.6%
10	MILWAUKEE CITY	9.1%	7.6%	7	6.4%
13	MOUNT PLEASANT VILLAGE	8.9%	6.8%	12	5.4%
22	NEENAH CITY	6.6%	5.0%	23	4.1%
26	NEW BERLIN CITY	5.6%	4.2%	27	3.5%
24	OAK CREEK CITY	6.0%	4.9%	24	4.0%
18	OSHKOSH CITY	7.0%	5.4%	19	4.8%
2	RACINE CITY	13.5%	10.5%	2	8.9%
6	SHEBOYGAN CITY	10.0%	7.7%	6	5.2%
14	STEVENS POINT CITY	8.4%	5.7%	17	5.7%
19	SUN PRAIRIE CITY	6.9%	5.4%	18	4.1%
17	SUPERIOR CITY	7.2%	5.7%	16	4.8%
15	WAUKESHA CITY	8.3%	6.5%	13	5.1%
12	WAUSAU CITY	9.0%	6.5%	14	5.2%
28	WAUWATOSA CITY	5.0%	4.0%	29	3.3%
16	WEST ALLIS CITY	7.6%	5.9%	15	5.0%
5	WEST BEND CITY	10.3%	8.0%	5	6.2%

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