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## **NOVEMBER UNEMPLOYMENT RATES ANNOUNCED**

### **Unadjusted Data**

MADISON – Department of Workforce Development (DWD) Secretary Roberta Gassman announced today that Wisconsin's unemployment rate for November was 7.8 percent, up 0.1 percentage points from October's final rate of 7.7 percent.

The national rate decreased one-tenth of a percentage point to 9.4 percent, after two months at 9.5 percent. The Wisconsin rate is 2.6 percentage points higher than one year ago, when it stood at 5.2 percent. The national rate is 2.9 percentage points higher than one year ago, when it stood at 6.5 percent.

"Wisconsin's unemployment rate continues to hold steady and remains below the national rate," Secretary Gassman said. "While this is encouraging news, we know many remain unemployed and we are doing all that we can to put them back to work and move the economy forward."

From October to November, total Wisconsin non-farm jobs decreased by an estimated 9,800 to 2,751,200. Service Producers decreased by 3,700 jobs over the month, while Goods Producers lost 6,100 jobs. Among Service Producers, Trade increased by 6,100, while Leisure & Hospitality lost 11,900. Among Goods Producers, Manufacturing jobs and Construction jobs were each down 3,000.

Over the last 12 months, the data showed a decline of 126,700 Wisconsin non-farm jobs. Goods Producers were down 54,900, mostly in Manufacturing, which was down 46,000. Service sector jobs declined 71,800 over the year, led by Professional & Business Services, which lost 21,300 jobs.

The November survey of Wisconsin households showed 14,500 fewer employed than in October, and 125,300 fewer employed than one year ago. Wisconsin's civilian labor force was down 9,300 to 3,036,100 in November and down 46,100 from November 2008.

### **Adjusted Data**

The seasonally adjusted Wisconsin unemployment rate for November 2009 was 8.2 percent. This was down 0.2 percentage points from October. The November 2008 rate was 5.4 percent. The national seasonally adjusted November 2009 rate was 10.0 percent, compared to 10.2 percent in October. The U.S. November 2008 rate was 6.8 percent.

Total state employment was down 1,100 over the month and down 139,700 over the year.

## WISCONSIN LABOR FORCE SUMMARY

ITEM	NET CHANGE FROM				
	PRELIM. NOV 09	FINAL OCT 09	YEAR AGO NOV 08	MONTH AGO	YEAR AGO
<b>PLACE OF RESIDENCE DATA</b>					
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES					
CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE	3,036,100	3,045,400	3,082,200	-9,300	-46,100
EMPLOYMENT (1)	2,797,800	2,812,300	2,923,100	-14,500	-125,300
UNEMPLOYMENT	238,300	233,000	159,100	5,300	79,200
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE	7.8%	7.7%	5.2%	0.1	2.6
U.S. UNEMPLOYMENT RATE	9.4%	9.5%	6.5%	-0.1	2.9
<b>PLACE OF WORK DATA</b>					
<i>NONFARM WAGE &amp; SALARY</i>					
TOTAL PRIVATE	2,751,200	2,761,000	2,877,900	-9,800	-126,700
GOODS PRODUCING	2,313,000	2,327,700	2,436,600	-14,700	-123,600
NATURAL RESOURCES & MINING	548,700	554,800	603,600	-6,100	-54,900
CONSTRUCTION	3,200	3,300	3,500	-100	-300
MANUFACTURING	109,700	112,700	118,300	-3,000	-8,600
Durable Goods	435,800	438,800	481,800	-3,000	-46,000
Nondurable Goods	265,800	266,100	303,500	-300	-37,700
SERVICE PRODUCING	170,000	172,700	178,300	-2,700	-8,300
TRADE	2,202,500	2,206,200	2,274,300	-3,700	-71,800
Wholesale Trade	422,100	416,000	437,200	6,100	-15,100
Retail Trade	115,200	115,500	121,700	-300	-6,500
TRANS., WAREHOUSE, & UTILITIES	306,900	300,500	315,500	6,400	-8,600
Utilities	101,300	103,300	108,300	-2,000	-7,000
INFORMATION	10,200	10,400	10,700	-200	-500
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	49,300	49,100	50,200	200	-900
Finance and Insurance	156,700	157,200	161,100	-500	-4,400
Real Estate, Rental, & Lease	131,400	131,500	135,100	-100	-3,700
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	25,300	25,700	26,000	-400	-700
Prof., Scien., & Tech. Services	256,100	256,500	277,400	-400	-21,300
Mgmt. Of Companies and Enterprises	98,900	98,200	100,600	700	-1,700
Admin. Support & Waste Mgmt. Services	40,600	40,400	44,200	200	-3,600
EDUCATIONAL & HEALTH SERVICES	116,600	117,900	132,600	-1,300	-16,000
Educational Services	418,500	416,600	412,500	1,900	6,000
Health Care & Social Assistance	51,600	51,300	50,200	300	1,400
LEISURE & HOSPITALITY	366,900	365,300	362,300	1,600	4,600
Arts, Entertain., & Recreation	232,200	244,100	245,500	-11,900	-13,300
Accommodation & Food Services	25,800	29,100	28,900	-3,300	-3,100
OTHER SERVICES, except Public Admin	206,400	215,000	216,600	-8,600	-10,200
GOVERNMENT	128,100	130,100	140,800	-2,000	-12,700
Federal Government	438,200	433,300	441,300	4,900	-3,100
State Government	29,600	30,200	29,500	-600	100
Local Government	110,000	107,900	110,000	2,100	0
PERSONS INVOLVED IN L-M DISPUTES	298,600	295,200	301,800	3,400	-3,200
(1) Includes L-M Disputes	0	0	34	0	-34
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES					
CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE	3,040,400	3,047,700	3,096,800	-7,300	-56,400
EMPLOYMENT (1)	2,790,200	2,791,300	2,929,900	-1,100	-139,700
UNEMPLOYMENT	250,300	256,500	166,900	-6,200	83,400
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE	8.2%	8.4%	5.4%	-0.2	2.8
U.S. UNEMPLOYMENT RATE	10.0%	10.2%	6.8%	-0.2	3.2

\*Differences in totals may occur as a result of rounding.

Source: Local Area Unemployment Statistics and Current Employment Statistics programs, Labor Market Information Section.