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AUGUST LOCAL UNEMPLOYMENT RATES ANNOUNCED

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

"August labor market statistics show all metro areas and all but three counties with decreases in their unemployment rates," Secretary Gassman said. "We see encouraging signs that the economy is improving as we work with our partners to help the unemployed and all job seekers, connecting them with employers to keep the economy going forward."

METRO AREAS

Unemployment rates decreased in all of the state's 12 Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSA) in August compared to July. When compared to rates of August 2008, all 12 MSAs had higher unemployment rates last month. The Madison MSA had the lowest rate in August at 5.9 percent. The Janesville MSA recorded the highest rate at 12.0 percent.

Preliminary figures for nonfarm wage and salary jobs showed a decrease in 6 of the 11 reporting areas, while 4 recorded an increase in jobs and 1 saw no change over the month. Compared to last year, all 11 areas recorded job losses in August.

COUNTIES

In August, unemployment rates decreased in 69 of 72 Wisconsin counties, increased in two, and remained the same in one. Dane County recorded the lowest rate at 5.8 percent, followed by Pepin at 6.0 percent. The highest rates were recorded in Menominee County at 17.8 percent, and Rock County at 12.0 percent.

On an annual basis, unemployment rates increased in all 72 counties. The smallest increase occurred in Bayfield, which recorded a 1.8 percentage point increase. The biggest increase occurred in Lincoln County, where the unemployment rate increased 6.3 percentage points over August 2008.

Employment and Labor Force August 2009

Place of Residence Data

Unadjusted labor force estimates

	Current	Month Ago	Year Ago
Total labor force	3,103,200	3,128,200	3,102,800
Employed	2,841,600	2,854,400	2,960,200
Unemployed	261,600	273,800	142,600
Wis. Unemployment Rate	8.4%	8.8%	4.6%
U.S. Unemployment Rate	9.6%	9.7%	6.1%

Adjusted labor force estimates

	Current	Month Ago	Year Ago
Total labor force	3,077,800	3,081,500	3,080,300
Employed	2,806,600	2,804,800	2,935,700
Unemployed	271,200	276,700	144,600
Wis. Unemployment Rate	8.8%	9.0%	4.7%
U.S. Unemployment Rate	9.7%	9.4%	6.2%

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

MSA	Current	Month Ago	Year Ago
<i>Wisconsin</i>	8.4%	8.8%	4.6%
Appleton	8.0%	8.4%	4.1%
Eau Claire	7.0%	7.1%	4.0%
Fond du Lac	8.8%	9.3%	4.8%
Green Bay	8.0%	8.4%	4.5%
Janesville	12.0%	12.8%	6.5%
La Crosse	6.5%	6.8%	3.9%
Madison	5.9%	6.2%	3.4%
Milwaukee-Waukesha-West Allis	9.3%	9.5%	5.0%
Oshkosh-Neenah	7.6%	7.9%	4.2%
Racine	10.2%	10.8%	5.5%
Sheboygan	8.9%	9.3%	4.2%
Wausau	8.7%	8.8%	4.3%

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>	2,772,600	2,775,900	2,884,600
Appleton	116,200	116,000	119,400
Eau Claire	80,100	80,200	82,200
Green Bay	165,900	165,800	169,800
Janesville	65,000	65,300	67,600
La Crosse	72,600	72,700	74,900
Madison	344,000	343,800	350,200
Milwaukee-Waukesha-West Allis	805,900	810,600	856,300
Oshkosh-Neenah	93,900	94,200	94,800
Racine	77,400	77,600	81,000
Sheboygan	62,300	62,300	64,800
Wausau	69,400	69,300	72,200

Source *LAUS/CES and DWD Bureau of Workforce Information, and DWD office of Economic Advisors. Fond du Lac MSA wage and salary estimates not reported due to Federal Bureau of Labor Statistics policy changes

WISCONSIN COUNTIES

Unemployment Rates

August 2009

(Not Seasonally Adjusted)

RANK	COUNTY	RATE	LAST RATE	LAST RANK	YR AGO RATE	RANK	COUNTY	RATE	LAST RATE	LAST RANK	YR AGO RATE
31	ADAMS	8.7%	9.0%	31	5.8%	32	MARATHON	8.7%	8.8%	38	4.3%
13	ASHLAND	9.6%	10.4%	13	5.2%	3	MARINETTE	11.4%	12.5%	3	5.6%
47	BARRON	7.6%	8.1%	42	4.6%	22	MARQUETTE	9.1%	9.4%	23	4.9%
64	BAYFIELD	6.8%	6.9%	67	5.0%	1	MENOMINEE	17.8%	18.1%	1	14.0%
45	BROWN	7.7%	8.0%	45	4.3%	11	MILWAUKEE	10.0%	10.2%	14	5.9%
70	BUFFALO	6.1%	6.7%	69	3.6%	62	MONROE	6.9%	7.2%	63	4.2%
19	BURNETT	9.4%	9.6%	21	5.8%	7	OCONTO	10.5%	11.3%	8	5.8%
52	CALUMET	7.4%	7.8%	50	4.0%	39	ONEIDA	8.3%	8.2%	41	4.5%
54	CHIPPEWA	7.4%	7.6%	56	4.2%	41	OUTAGAMIE	8.2%	8.5%	40	4.1%
37	CLARK	8.3%	8.8%	35	4.7%	43	OZAUKEE	7.9%	8.0%	46	3.6%
53	COLUMBIA	7.4%	7.7%	54	4.4%	71	PEPIN	6.0%	6.2%	71	3.8%
26	CRAWFORD	8.8%	9.5%	22	4.9%	61	PIERCE	6.9%	7.6%	55	3.4%
72	DANE	5.8%	5.9%	72	3.3%	27	POLK	8.8%	9.3%	25	4.7%
15	DODGE	9.5%	10.4%	12	4.8%	55	PORTAGE	7.3%	7.4%	62	4.4%
65	DOOR	6.7%	6.9%	65	3.5%	9	PRICE	10.3%	11.6%	5	4.5%
50	DOUGLAS	7.5%	7.8%	51	4.9%	10	RACINE	10.2%	10.8%	10	5.5%
66	DUNN	6.7%	6.9%	66	3.9%	36	RICHLAND	8.3%	8.9%	33	4.2%
67	EAU CLAIRE	6.7%	6.8%	68	3.9%	2	ROCK	12.0%	12.8%	2	6.5%
25	FLORENCE	8.8%	9.6%	18	4.3%	5	RUSK	11.1%	11.8%	4	5.6%
	FOND DU										
28	LAC	8.8%	9.3%	26	4.8%	59	SAUK	7.1%	7.5%	58	4.0%
20	FOREST	9.2%	9.6%	19	5.7%	44	SAWYER	7.7%	8.1%	43	5.3%
58	GRANT	7.1%	7.9%	48	4.4%	35	SHAWANO	8.5%	8.8%	37	4.5%
33	GREEN	8.6%	9.2%	28	4.1%	24	SHEBOYGAN	8.9%	9.3%	27	4.2%
34	GREEN LAKE	8.5%	9.0%	30	4.5%	51	ST. CROIX	7.5%	7.8%	52	3.8%
68	IOWA	6.4%	7.0%	64	3.4%	12	TAYLOR	9.6%	10.8%	9	5.6%
6	IRON	10.5%	11.4%	7	6.2%	60	TREMPEALEAU	7.1%	7.4%	61	4.0%
48	JACKSON	7.6%	8.0%	44	4.5%	56	VERNON	7.2%	7.5%	59	4.2%
29	JEFFERSON	8.8%	9.0%	32	4.6%	57	VILAS	7.2%	7.5%	60	4.3%
21	JUNEAU	9.2%	9.6%	20	5.3%	38	WALWORTH	8.3%	8.8%	36	4.3%
8	KENOSHA	10.5%	10.6%	11	5.6%	40	WASHBURN	8.2%	8.7%	39	5.7%
46	KEWAUNEE	7.7%	7.8%	53	3.6%	23	WASHINGTON	9.1%	9.4%	24	4.1%
69	LA CROSSE	6.4%	6.7%	70	3.8%	42	WAUKESHA	8.0%	8.0%	47	3.9%
63	LAFAYETTE	6.8%	7.5%	57	3.8%	18	WAUPACA	9.5%	9.1%	29	4.6%
17	LANGLADE	9.5%	9.9%	17	5.4%	16	WAUSHARA	9.5%	10.0%	15	5.1%
4	LINCOLN	11.2%	11.5%	6	4.9%	49	WINNEBAGO	7.6%	7.9%	49	4.2%
14	MANITOWOC	9.6%	10.0%	16	4.4%	30	WOOD	8.8%	8.9%	34	5.6%

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

WISCONSIN CITIES
 Unemployment Rates
 August 2009
 (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

RANK	CITY	RATE	LAST RATE	LAST RANK	YR AGO RATE
11	APPLETON CITY	11.0%	11.5%	10	5.3%
1	BELOIT CITY	17.4%	17.7%	1	8.4%
28	BROOKFIELD CITY	7.1%	7.1%	28	3.5%
31	CALEDONIA VILLAGE	3.3%	3.4%	31	2.4%
25	EAU CLAIRE CITY	7.4%	7.6%	25	4.3%
12	FOND DU LAC CITY	11.0%	11.5%	11	6.1%
26	FRANKLIN CITY	7.3%	7.6%	24	3.9%
6	GREEN BAY CITY	11.8%	12.4%	5	6.6%
18	GREENFIELD CITY	8.4%	8.5%	18	4.4%
4	JANESVILLE CITY	13.0%	14.1%	3	7.5%
10	KENOSHA CITY	11.4%	11.5%	12	6.1%
21	LA CROSSE CITY	7.9%	8.3%	19	4.5%
30	MADISON CITY	5.7%	5.9%	30	3.4%
8	MANITOWOC CITY	11.7%	12.3%	6	5.1%
19	MENOMONEE FALLS VILLAGE	8.1%	8.0%	23	3.6%
5	MILWAUKEE CITY	11.9%	12.2%	7	7.2%
13	MOUNT PLEASANT VILLAGE	11.0%	11.3%	13	5.8%
23	NEENAH CITY	7.7%	8.1%	21	4.2%
27	NEW BERLIN CITY	7.2%	7.4%	27	3.6%
20	OAK CREEK CITY	8.0%	8.1%	22	4.0%
17	OSHKOSH CITY	8.6%	8.9%	17	4.8%
2	RACINE CITY	16.2%	17.1%	2	8.9%
9	SHEBOYGAN CITY	11.5%	12.1%	8	5.3%
16	STEVENS POINT CITY	8.7%	9.1%	16	5.4%
24	SUN PRAIRIE CITY	7.6%	7.6%	26	4.4%
22	SUPERIOR CITY	7.7%	8.2%	20	5.0%
14	WAUKESHA CITY	11.0%	11.2%	14	5.1%
7	WAUSAU CITY	11.8%	12.0%	9	5.5%
29	WAUWATOSA CITY	6.9%	6.9%	29	3.7%
15	WEST ALLIS CITY	9.5%	9.8%	15	5.0%
3	WEST BEND CITY	13.4%	14.0%	4	5.9%

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