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November Local Employment and Unemployment Data Released

MADISON – The Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development (DWD) today released U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics estimates of employment and unemployment statistics for metropolitan areas, major cities, and counties in Wisconsin for November 2025. Unemployment data reflects changes over the year, as October 2025 data is unavailable as a result of the federal government shutdown.

In brief, the nonseasonally adjusted data for Wisconsin shows:

- **Metropolitan Statistical Areas:** Preliminary November 2025 unemployment rates decreased in four of the state's 13 metropolitan statistical areas over the year; rates increased in four metro areas over the year; and rates stayed the same in five metro areas over the year.
- **Municipalities:** Preliminary November 2025 unemployment rates decreased or stayed the same in 25 of Wisconsin's 35 largest cities over the year; and rates increased in 10 cities over the year.
- **Counties:** Preliminary November 2025 unemployment rates decreased or stayed the same in 55 of Wisconsin's 72 counties over the year, and rates increased in 17 counties over the year. Menominee County achieved a record low unemployment rate of 3.6% in November.

Additional information about the data included in the release is available at [Wisconomy.com](https://wisconomy.com).

ABOUT DWD

[Wisconsin's Department of Workforce Development](https://dwd.wisconsin.gov) efficiently delivers effective and inclusive services to meet Wisconsin's diverse workforce needs now and for the future. The department advocates for and invests in the protection and economic advancement of all Wisconsin workers, employers, and job seekers through six divisions – Employment and Training, Vocational Rehabilitation, Unemployment Insurance, Equal Rights, Worker's Compensation, and Administrative Services. To keep up with DWD announcements and information, [sign up for news releases](#) and follow us on [LinkedIn](#), [Facebook](#), [X](#), and [YouTube](#).

Current Employment Statistics and Local Area Unemployment Statistics November 2025

EMPLOYMENT

METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA	NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED					SEASONALLY ADJUSTED				
	PRELIM Nov-25	FINAL Oct-25	YEAR AGO Nov-24	NET CHANGE OVER		PRELIM Nov-25	FINAL Oct-25	YEAR AGO Nov-24	NET CHANGE OVER	
				1-Month	1-Year				1-Month	1-Year
Appleton	130,300	129,900	130,200	400	100	129,900	129,700	129,500	200	400
Eau Claire	91,000	90,600	92,000	400	-1,000	89,800	89,600	90,800	200	-1,000
Fond du Lac	46,400	46,300	46,500	100	-100	46,300	46,200	46,400	100	-100
Green Bay	185,600	184,600	183,500	1,000	2,100	184,200	183,500	182,100	700	2,100
Janesville-Beloit	72,700	72,400	73,100	300	-400	72,400	72,300	72,600	100	-200
Kenosha	79,300	78,500	78,800	800	500	78,500	78,200	77,900	300	600
La Crosse-Onalaska	90,000	89,300	89,300	700	700	88,800	88,400	88,100	400	700
Madison	433,200	432,700	432,400	500	800	429,400	429,100	427,700	300	1,700
Milwaukee-Waukesha	858,700	858,500	868,100	200	-9,400	855,200	854,100	863,700	1,100	-8,500
Oshkosh-Neenah	97,500	97,300	97,700	200	-200	96,900	96,700	96,900	200	0
Racine	78,300	78,400	78,900	-100	-600	78,200	78,300	78,700	-100	-500
Sheboygan	63,800	64,100	63,700	-300	100	63,800	64,000	63,700	-200	100
Wausau	71,900	71,800	72,500	100	-600	71,600	71,700	72,200	-100	-600

UNEMPLOYMENT RATES

METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA	NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED				
	PRELIM Nov-25	FINAL Oct-25	YEAR AGO Nov-24	NET CHANGE OVER	
				1-Month	1-Year
Appleton	2.3	-	2.2	-	0.1
Eau Claire	2.5	-	2.5	-	-
Fond du Lac	2.4	-	2.6	-	(0.2)
Green Bay	2.4	-	2.4	-	-
Janesville-Beloit	2.8	-	2.9	-	(0.1)
Kenosha	2.9	-	3.0	-	(0.1)
La Crosse-Onalaska	2.4	-	2.3	-	0.1
Madison	2.2	-	2.2	-	-
Milwaukee-Waukesha	3.0	-	3.1	-	(0.1)
Oshkosh-Neenah	2.5	-	2.4	-	0.1
Racine	3.2	-	3.2	-	-
Sheboygan	2.4	-	2.3	-	0.1
Wausau	2.3	-	2.3	-	-

Source: Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS)

CITY	NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED				
	RATE Nov-25	RATE Oct-25	RATE Nov-24	RANK Nov-25	RANK Oct-25
Appleton	2.5		2.5	11	
Beloit	3.0		3.2	29	
Brookfield	2.7		2.5	23	
Caledonia	3.0		3.1	29	
De Pere	2.4		2.1	6	
Eau Claire	2.4		2.4	6	
Fitchburg	2.1		2.1	1	
Fond du Lac	2.8		3.2	25	
Franklin	2.8		2.9	25	
Green Bay	2.5		2.5	11	
Greenfield	2.7		3.0	23	
Janesville	2.8		2.9	25	
Kenosha	3.0		3.2	29	
La Crosse	2.6		2.4	19	
Madison	2.2		2.2	2	
Manitowoc	2.5		2.8	11	
Menomonee Falls	2.5		2.5	11	
Mequon	2.6		2.5	19	
Milwaukee	3.8		4.0	34	
Mount Pleasant	2.9		3.2	28	
Muskego	2.3		2.3	4	
Neenah	2.4		2.3	6	
New Berlin	2.4		2.5	6	
Oak Creek	2.5		2.4	11	
Oshkosh	2.5		2.6	11	
Racine	3.8		3.9	34	
Sheboygan	2.6		2.5	19	
Stevens Point	2.5		2.3	11	
Sun Prairie	2.2		2.2	2	
Superior	3.0		3.5	29	
Waukesha	2.3		2.4	4	
Wausau	2.5		2.4	11	
Wauwatosa	2.6		2.6	19	
West Allis	3.3		3.2	33	
West Bend	2.4		2.6	6	

Source: Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS)

Note: Seasonally adjusted unemployment estimates for MSAs are available from the Bureau of Labor Statistics website: <http://www.bls.gov/lau/metrossa.htm>.
City and county unemployment rates are not seasonally adjusted.

Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development, Division of Employment and Training, Bureau of Workforce Information and Technical Support

Local Area Unemployment Statistics

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UNEMPLOYMENT RATES - NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

COUNTY	ALPHABETICAL ORDER				
	RATE Nov-25	RATE Oct-25	RATE Nov-24	RANK Nov-25	RANK Oct-25
Adams	4.0		4.4	71	
Ashland	2.9		3.0	46	
Barron	3.1		3.0	52	
Bayfield	3.9		3.8	70	
Brown	2.4		2.3	11	
Buffalo	2.8		3.2	40	
Burnett	3.6		3.7	68	
Calumet	2.2		2.0	2	
Chippewa	2.7		2.7	33	
Clark	2.4		2.5	11	
Columbia	2.4		2.4	11	
Crawford	3.1		3.0	52	
Dane	2.2		2.2	2	
Dodge	2.2		2.3	2	
Door	2.8		2.7	40	
Douglas	3.4		3.5	62	
Dunn	2.5		2.5	26	
Eau Claire	2.4		2.3	11	
Florence	3.2		3.4	54	
Fond du Lac	2.4		2.6	11	
Forest	3.2		3.0	54	
Grant	2.7		3.0	33	
Green	2.1		2.2	1	
Green Lake	2.8		2.9	40	
Iowa	2.2		2.4	2	
Iron	4.0		4.0	71	
Jackson	2.9		3.2	46	
Jefferson	2.4		2.3	11	
Juneau	3.0		3.0	51	
Kenosha	2.9		3.0	46	
Kewaunee	2.3		2.0	7	
La Crosse	2.4		2.3	11	
Lafayette	2.2		2.2	2	
Langlade	3.3		3.3	59	
Lincoln	2.7		2.8	33	
Manitowoc	2.4		2.5	11	
Marathon	2.3		2.3	7	
Marinette	3.4		3.7	62	
Marquette	3.2		3.2	54	
Menominee	3.6		4.2	68	
Milwaukee	3.4		3.6	62	
Monroe	2.3		2.3	7	
Oconto	2.5		2.6	26	
Oneida	2.7		2.8	33	
Outagamie	2.3		2.3	7	
Ozaukee	2.4		2.3	11	
Pepin	2.7		2.8	33	
Pierce	2.8		2.9	40	
Polk	3.4		3.5	62	
Portage	2.6		2.5	31	
Price	3.3		4.0	59	
Racine	3.2		3.2	54	
Richland	2.7		2.7	33	
Rock	2.8		2.9	40	
Rusk	3.5		3.6	66	
Sauk	2.4		2.4	11	
Sawyer	3.5		3.4	66	
Shawano	2.6		2.6	31	
Sheboygan	2.4		2.3	11	
St. Croix	2.9		2.9	46	
Taylor	2.7		2.8	33	
Trempealeau	2.5		2.7	26	
Vernon	2.4		2.5	11	
Vilas	3.2		3.3	54	
Walworth	2.4		2.4	11	
Washburn	3.3		3.6	59	
Washington	2.4		2.4	11	
Waukesha	2.5		2.4	26	
Waupaca	2.4		2.5	11	
Waushara	2.9		3.1	46	
Winnebago	2.5		2.4	26	
Wood	2.8		2.9	40	

COUNTY	ASCENDING ORDER		
	RATE Nov-25	RATE Oct-25	RATE Nov-24
Green	2.1		2.2
Calumet	2.2		2.0
Dane	2.2		2.2
Dodge	2.2		2.3
Iowa	2.2		2.4
Lafayette	2.2		2.2
Kewaunee	2.3		2.0
Marathon	2.3		2.3
Monroe	2.3		2.3
Outagamie	2.3		2.3
Brown	2.4		2.3
Clark	2.4		2.5
Columbia	2.4		2.4
Eau Claire	2.4		2.3
Fond du Lac	2.4		2.6
Jefferson	2.4		2.3
La Crosse	2.4		2.3
Manitowoc	2.4		2.5
Ozaukee	2.4		2.3
Sauk	2.4		2.4
Sheboygan	2.4		2.3
Vernon	2.4		2.5
Walworth	2.4		2.4
Washington	2.4		2.4
Waupaca	2.4		2.5
Dunn	2.5		2.5
Oconto	2.5		2.6
Trempealeau	2.5		2.7
Waukesha	2.5		2.4
Winnebago	2.5		2.4
Portage	2.6		2.5
Shawano	2.6		2.6
Chippewa	2.7		2.7
Grant	2.7		3.0
Lincoln	2.7		2.8
Oneida	2.7		2.8
Pepin	2.7		2.8
Richland	2.7		2.7
Taylor	2.7		2.8
Buffalo	2.8		3.2
Door	2.8		2.7
Green Lake	2.8		2.9
Pierce	2.8		2.9
Rock	2.8		2.9
Wood	2.8		2.9
Ashland	2.9		3.0
Jackson	2.9		3.2
Kenosha	2.9		3.0
St. Croix	2.9		2.9
Waushara	2.9		3.1
Juneau	3.0		3.0
Barron	3.1		3.0
Crawford	3.1		3.0
Florence	3.2		3.4
Forest	3.2		3.0
Marquette	3.2		3.2
Racine	3.2		3.2
Vilas	3.2		3.3
Langlade	3.3		3.3
Price	3.3		4.0
Washburn	3.3		3.6
Douglas	3.4		3.5
Marinette	3.4		3.7
Milwaukee	3.4		3.6
Polk	3.4		3.5
Rusk	3.5		3.8
Sawyer	3.5		3.4
Burnett	3.6		3.7
Menominee	3.6		4.2
Bayfield	3.9		3.8
Adams	4.0		4.4
Iron	4.0		4.0

Note: Ranking is ascending from lowest (best) unemployment rate to highest. Ranking ties exist in the results.