

Region, Division, and State Unemployment Rates with Confidence Intervals, Their Relationships to the U.S. Rate, and Over-the-Month Rate Changes with Significance Indicators, August 2008, Seasonally Adjusted

Area	Unemployment Rate	90% Confidence Interval	Higher/Lower than National Rate at 90% Confidence	Over-the-Month Rate Change	
				Difference	Significant at 90% Confidence
Regions					
Northeast	5.8	5.5 - 6.2		0.5	YES
Midwest	6.7	6.3 - 7.0	H	0.2	NO
South	5.7	5.5 - 6.0	L	0.2	YES
West	6.6	6.3 - 6.9	H	0.3	YES
Divisions					
New England	5.7	5.3 - 6.2		0.3	YES
Middle Atlantic	5.9	5.5 - 6.3		0.6	YES
East North Central	7.2	6.8 - 7.7	H	0.1	NO
West North Central	5.4	5.0 - 5.7	L	0.2	NO
South Atlantic	6.1	5.7 - 6.4		0.3	YES
East South Central	6.4	5.8 - 7.0		-0.2	NO
West South Central	4.9	4.5 - 5.2	L	0.3	YES
Mountain	5.2	4.9 - 5.6	L	0.3	YES
Pacific	7.2	6.9 - 7.6	H	0.3	YES
States					
Alabama	4.9	3.9 - 6.0	L	-0.2	NO
Alaska	6.9	6.1 - 7.8	H	0.1	NO
Arizona	5.6	4.8 - 6.4		0.5	YES
Arkansas	4.8	4.0 - 5.5	L	0.3	NO
California	7.7	7.3 - 8.1	H	0.3	YES
Colorado	5.4	4.8 - 6.0	L	0.2	NO
Connecticut	6.5	5.7 - 7.2		0.7	YES
Delaware	4.9	4.3 - 5.5	L	0.5	YES
District of Columbia	6.9	6.1 - 7.8		0.2	NO
Florida	6.5	6.1 - 6.9		0.3	YES
Georgia	6.3	5.7 - 6.9		0.3	YES
Hawaii	4.2	3.6 - 4.8	L	0.3	YES
Idaho	4.6	3.8 - 5.3	L	0.5	YES
Illinois	7.3	6.6 - 8.0	H	0.1	NO
Indiana	6.4	5.6 - 7.2		0.1	NO
Iowa	4.6	4.0 - 5.1	L	0.3	YES
Kansas	4.7	4.1 - 5.2	L	0.1	NO
Kentucky	6.8	5.9 - 7.7		0.1	NO

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States -- continued					
Louisiana	4.7	3.6 - 5.8	L	0.7	YES
Maine	5.5	4.9 - 6.2		0.0	NO
Maryland	4.5	4.1 - 4.9	L	0.2	YES
Massachusetts	5.3	4.5 - 6.0	L	0.3	NO
Michigan	8.9	8.0 - 9.8	H	0.4	NO
Minnesota	6.2	5.6 - 6.8		0.4	YES
Mississippi	7.7	6.5 - 8.9	H	-0.3	NO
Missouri	6.6	5.8 - 7.5		0.2	NO
Montana	4.4	3.6 - 5.1	L	0.4	YES
Nebraska	3.5	3.0 - 3.9	L	0.1	NO
Nevada	7.1	6.5 - 7.6	H	0.5	YES
New Hampshire	4.2	3.6 - 4.7	L	0.3	NO
New Jersey	5.9	5.2 - 6.5		0.5	YES
New Mexico	4.6	3.8 - 5.5	L	0.5	YES
New York	5.8	5.3 - 6.2		0.6	YES
North Carolina	6.9	6.3 - 7.5	H	0.3	NO
North Dakota	3.6	3.1 - 4.1	L	0.1	NO
Ohio	7.4	6.7 - 8.1	H	0.2	NO
Oklahoma	4.0	3.3 - 4.7	L	-0.1	NO
Oregon	6.5	5.8 - 7.3		0.6	YES
Pennsylvania	5.8	5.2 - 6.4		0.4	YES
Rhode Island	8.5	7.6 - 9.4	H	0.7	YES
South Carolina	7.6	6.7 - 8.6	H	0.6	YES
South Dakota	3.3	2.9 - 3.7	L	0.3	YES
Tennessee	6.6	5.8 - 7.4		-0.2	NO
Texas	5.0	4.6 - 5.4	L	0.3	YES
Utah	3.7	3.1 - 4.2	L	0.2	NO
Vermont	4.9	4.3 - 5.5	L	0.1	NO
Virginia	4.6	4.1 - 5.1	L	0.2	NO
Washington	6.0	5.4 - 6.7		0.4	YES
West Virginia	4.1	3.3 - 5.0	L	-0.4	NO
Wisconsin	5.1	4.5 - 5.6	L	0.2	NO
Wyoming	3.9	3.2 - 4.7	L	0.3	NO

NOTE: Rates shown are a percentage of the labor force. Data refer to place of residence.