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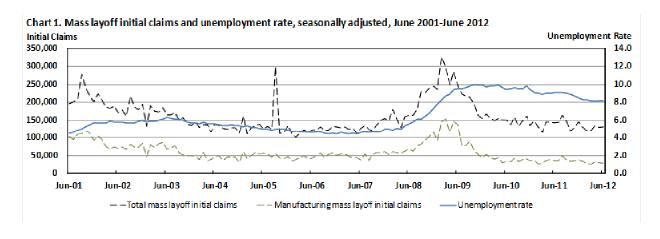
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### MASS LAYOFFS — JUNE 2012

Employers took 1,317 mass layoff actions in June involving 131,406 workers, seasonally adjusted, as measured by new filings for unemployment insurance benefits during the month, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reported today. Each mass layoff involved at least 50 workers from a single employer. Mass layoff events in June decreased by 63 from May, while the number of associated initial claims increased by 1,215. Year-to-date mass layoff events (8,085) and initial claims (767,890) both recorded their lowest figures for a January-June period since 2007. In June, 267 mass layoff events were reported in the manufacturing sector, seasonally adjusted, resulting in 29,093 initial claims. Mass layoff data are identified using administrative data sources without regard to layoff duration. (See table 1 and the note at the end of this release.)



The national unemployment rate was 8.2 percent in June, unchanged from the prior month but down from 9.1 percent a year earlier. Total nonfarm payroll employment increased by 80,000 over the month and by 1,777,000 over the year.

## **Industry Distribution (Not Seasonally Adjusted)**

The number of mass layoff events in June was 1,890, not seasonally adjusted, resulting in 198,537 initial claims for unemployment insurance. (See table 2.) Over the year, the number of average weekly mass

Table A. Six-digit NAICS industries with the largest number of mass layoff initial claims in June 2012, private nonfarm, not seasonally adjusted

		June peak			
Industry	Initial claims	Year	Initial claims		
School and employee bus transportation	24,038	2012	24,038		
Food service contractors	14,417	2007	14,527		
Temporary help services <sup>1</sup>	11,199	2000	13,815		
Child day care services	8,965	2012	8,965		
Motion picture and video production	5,958	2000	9,435		
Other individual and family services	3,406	2012	3,406		
Warehouse clubs and supercenters	2,689	2012	2,689		
Professional employer organizations <sup>1</sup>	2,540	2009	5,303		
Supermarkets and other grocery stores	2,399	2012	2,399		
Iron and steel mills and ferroalloy mfg	1,975	2009	2,462		

See the Technical Note for more information on these industries.

layoff events decreased by 37 to 378, and associated average weekly initial claims decreased by 276 to 39,707. Eight of the 19 major industry sectors in the private economy reported over-the-year decreases in average weekly initial claims, with the largest decrease occurring in administrative and waste services. (See table 3.) In June 2012, the six-digit industry with the largest number of private nonfarm initial claims was school and employee bus transportation. (See table A.)

In June, the manufacturing sector accounted for 17 percent of mass layoff events and 18 percent of associated initial claims in the private economy. Within manufacturing, the numbers of mass layoff claimants were highest in food and in transportation equipment. Nine of the 21 manufacturing subsectors experienced over-the-year decreases in average weekly initial claims. (See table 3.)

#### Geographic Distribution (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

Among the census regions, the West registered the largest number of initial claims in June. Three of the 4 regions experienced over-the-year decreases in average weekly initial claims, with the largest decrease occurring in the Midwest. (See table 4.)

Among the states, California recorded the highest number of mass layoff initial claims in June, followed by New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Florida, and New York. Twenty-eight states experienced over-the-year decreases in average weekly initial claims, led by Pennsylvania, Ohio, Texas, and Missouri. (See table 4.)

#### Note

The monthly data series in this release cover mass layoffs of 50 or more workers beginning in a given month, regardless of the duration of the layoffs. For private nonfarm establishments, information on the length of the layoff is obtained later and issued in a quarterly release that reports on mass layoffs lasting more than 30 days (referred to as "extended mass layoffs"). The quarterly release provides more

information on the industry classification and location of the establishment and on the demographics of the laid-off workers. The monthly data series in this release are subjected to average weekly analysis, which mitigates the effect of differing lengths of months. See the Technical Note for more detailed definitions and for a description of average weekly analysis.

The Extended Mass Layoffs news release for the Second Quarter 2012 is scheduled to be released on Thursday, August 9, 2012, at 10:00 a.m. (EDT). The Mass Layoffs news release for July is scheduled to be released on Thursday, August 23, 2012, at 10:00 a.m. (EDT).

## **Technical Note**

The Mass Layoff Statistics (MLS) program is a federal-state program that uses a standardized automated approach to identifying, describing, and tracking the effects of major job cutbacks, using data from each state's unemployment insurance database. Each month, states report on employers which have at least 50 initial claims filed against them during a consecutive 5-week period. These employers then are contacted by the state agency to determine whether these separations lasted 31 days or longer, and, if so, other information concerning the layoff is collected. States report on layoffs lasting more than 1 month on a quarterly basis.

The monthly data present preliminary mass layoff activity in the reference month and are not revised in subsequent months except in special circumstances (e.g., layoffs in states affected by Hurricane Katrina). Counts of initial claims associated with mass layoff events reflect activity through the end of the reference month. Additional mass layoff event and initial claims activity received after data for the reference month have been published by BLS are not updated in the monthly mass layoff series and, therefore, may not match revised mass layoff data issued in state publications. However, any additional mass layoff information meeting the extended mass layoff criteria will be reflected in BLS' quarterly publication of extended mass layoff data.

A given month contains an aggregation of the weekly unemployment insurance claims filings for the Sunday through Saturday weeks in that month. All weeks are included for the particular month, except if the first day of the month falls on Saturday. In this case, the week is included in the prior month's tabulations. This means that some months will contain 4 weeks and others, 5 weeks. The number of weeks in a given month may be different from year to year, and the number of weeks in a year may vary. Therefore, data users who intend to perform analysis of over-the-year change in the not seasonally adjusted series should use the average weekly mass layoff figures displayed in tables 3 and 4 of this release. The average weekly adjustment process produces a consistent series for each month across all years, permitting over-the-year analysis to be performed using strictly comparable data.

The MLS program resumed operations in April 1995 after it had been terminated in November 1992 due to lack of funding. Prior to April 1995, monthly layoff statistics were not available.

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#### **Definitions**

Average weekly mass layoff events and initial claimants. The number of events and initial claimants in a given month divided by the number of weeks contained within that month.

*Employer*. Employers in the MLS program include those covered by state unemployment insurance laws. Information on employers is obtained from the Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW) program, which is administered by the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS).

Industry. Employers are classified according to the 2007 version of the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS). For temporary help and professional employer organization industries, monthly MLS-related statistics generally reflect layoffs related to underlying client companies in other industries. An individual layoff action at a client company can be small, but when initial claimants associated with many such layoffs are assigned to a temporary help or professional employer organization firm, a mass layoff event may trigger.

*Initial claimant.* A person who files any notice of unemployment to initiate a request either for a determination of entitlement to and eligibility for compensation, or for a subsequent period of unemployment within a benefit year or period of eligibility.

Mass layoff event. Fifty or more initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits filed against an employer during a 5-week period, regardless of duration.

#### Seasonal adjustment

Effective with the release of data for January 2005, BLS began publishing six seasonally adjusted monthly MLS series. The six series are the numbers of mass layoff events and mass layoff initial claims for the total, private nonfarm, and manufacturing sectors.

Seasonal adjustment is the process of estimating and removing the effect on time series data of regularly recurring seasonal events such as changes in the weather, holidays, and the beginning and ending of the school year. The use of seasonal adjustment makes it easier to observe fundamental changes in time series, particularly those associated with general economic expansions and contractions.

The MLS data are seasonally adjusted using the X-12-ARIMA seasonal adjustment method on a concurrent basis.

Concurrent seasonal adjustment uses all available monthly estimates, including those for the current month, in developing seasonal adjustment factors. Revisions to the most recent 5 years of seasonally adjusted data will be made once a year with the issuance of December data. Before the data are seasonally adjusted, prior adjustments are made to the original data to adjust them for differences in the number of weeks used to calculate the monthly data. Because weekly

unemployment insurance claims are aggregated to form monthly data, a particular month's value could be calculated with 5 weeks of data in 1 year and 4 weeks in another. The effects of these differences could seriously distort the seasonal factors if they were ignored in the seasonal adjustment process. These effects are modeled in the X-12-ARIMA program and are permanently removed from the final seasonally adjusted series .

Table 1. Mass layoff events and initial claimants for unemployment insurance, July 2008 to June 2012, seasonally adjusted

	To	otal	Private	nonfarm	Manufacturing		
Date	Events	Initial claimants	Events	Initial claimants	Events	Initial claimants	
2008							
July	1,589	163,572	1,452	153,060	465	62,210	
August	1,763	181,853	1,632	172,147	578	77,464	
September	2,159	229,180	1,990	215,749	629	82,011	
October	2,201	226,853	2,043	213,454	698	93,252	
November	2,406	239,239	2,247	225,404	907	103,836	
December	2,437	244,889	2,261	230,621	935	116,181	
2009							
January	2,254	235,371	2,083	221,653	726	92,293	
February	3,059	326,392	2,901	310,378	1,251	145,839	
March	2,999	299,322	2,800	282,414	1,230	154,168	
April	2,566	249,129	2,349	232,632	1,007	116,051	
May	2,710	284,468	2,516	267,869	1,181	147,184	
June	2,466	247,597	2,257	230,502	1,048	137,649	
July	2,186	222,941	1,979	203,911	636	75,728	
August	2,340	216,047	2,115	197,172	751	77,894	
September	2,261	214,018	2,048	198,761	786	91,125	
October	1,969	195,752	1,772	178,172	571	65,217	
November	1,757	164,454	1,588	151,172	472	52,855	
December	1,719	155,056	1,543	140,835	424	44,096	
2010							
January	1,707	168,044	1,529	154,187	471	53,817	
February	1,631	156,292	1,465	141,831	374	43,620	
March	1,676	149,816	1,469	134,518	356	40,705	
April	1,637	154,558	1,452	138,503	368	44,506	
May	1,608	150,996	1,357	130,273	302	29,932	
June	1,695	151,435	1,475	132,742	325	33,298	
July	1,519	138,091	1,316	122,162	304	32,253	
August	1,588	159,329	1,399	136,697	390	43,154	
September	1,510	133,576	1,295	115,349	328	34,333	
October	1,654	149,589	1,446	132,146	354	38,937	
November	1,592	161,145	1,410	145,494	360	39,977	
December	1,477	135,849	1,271	121,171	322	36,267	
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January	1,536	148,952	1,348	131,869	337	37,477	
February	1,434 1,275	131,569	1,242 1,118	116,745 102,722	297 251	26,696	
March	1,275	115,391 145,836	1,118	102,722	341	28,988 37,053	
April			· ·		374		
May	1,600	144,412	1,404	127,793		39,180	
June	1,513	143,384	1,334	128,410 125,285	344	36,265	
July	1,562	145,078	1,348	1	346	36,312	
August	1,551 1,447	164,275 147,353	1,347 1,306	149,874 134,038	382 364	49,194 38,026	
September	1,447	147,333	1,205	107,330	341	33,926	
October November	1,332	131,627	1,205	120,760	324	36,563	
December	1,384	145,648	1,238	130,583	351	39,081	
2012							
January	1,434	129,920	1,298	119,102	341	33,597	
February	1,293	119,463	1,153	108,577	282	27,388	
March	1,273	121,310	1,125	109,421	261	26,348	
April	1,388	135,600	1,222	120,213	287	33,243	
May	1,380	130,191	1,222	117,654	264	29,675	
June	1,317	131,406	1,171	118,451	267	29,093	
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Table 2. Mass layoff events and initial claimants for unemployment insurance, July 2008 to June 2012, not seasonally adjusted

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January         2,860         278,679         2,682         265,074         962         1           February         1,183         102,818         1,091         96,022         282           March         1,197         111,727         1,111         105,514         273           April         1,840         199,690         1,697         184,654         424           May         1,354         123,333         1,170         109,203         216           June         1,861         171,190         1,355         125,872         212           July         2,124         206,254         1,732         172,248         532           August         976         92,435         897         83,021         230           September         920         77,654         806         67,987         187	64,540
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May     1,354     123,333     1,170     109,203     216       June     1,861     171,190     1,355     125,872     212       July     2,124     206,254     1,732     172,248     532       August     976     92,435     897     83,021     230       September     920     77,654     806     67,987     187	29,745
June     1,861     171,190     1,355     125,872     212       July     2,124     206,254     1,732     172,248     532       August     976     92,435     897     83,021     230       September     920     77,654     806     67,987     187	55,178
July     2,124     206,254     1,732     172,248     532       August     976     92,435     897     83,021     230       September     920     77,654     806     67,987     187	19,334
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Table 3. Industry distribution: Mass layoff events and initial claimants for unemployment insurance, not seasonally adjusted

	its and init		off totals	ipioyinenti	nsurance, not seasonally adjusted  Average weekly mass layoffs <sup>1</sup>			
•	Events		Initial claimants		Events		Initial claimants	
Industry	June	June	June	June	June	June	June	June
	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012
Total <sup>2</sup>	1,661	1,890	159,930	198,537	415	378	39,983	39,707
Total, private	1,282 44	1,539 54	125,944 3,123	162,321 3,987	321 11	308 11	31,486 781	32,464 797
							30,705	
Total, private nonfarm	1,238 ( <sup>3</sup> )	1,485 8	122,821 ( <sup>3</sup> )	158,334 824	310 ( <sup>3</sup> )	297 2	(3)	31,667 165
Utilities	( <sup>3</sup> )	( <sup>3</sup> )	(3)	( <sup>3</sup> )	(3)	( <sup>3</sup> )	(3)	( <sup>3</sup> )
Construction	84	91	6,847	7,909	21	18	1,712	1,582
Construction of buildings	18	21	1,467	1,999	5	4	367	400
Heavy and civil engineering construction	22	25	2,227	2,808	6	5	557	562
Specialty trade contractors	44 226	45 255	3,153 22,986	3,102 28,570	11 57	9 51	788 5,747	620 5,714
Food	51	63	5,011	6,158	13	13	1,253	1,232
Beverage and tobacco products	-	( <sup>3</sup> )	-	(3)	-	( <sup>3</sup> )	-	( <sup>3</sup> )
Textile mills	8	8	1,131	1,335	2	2	283	267
Textile product mills	6 10	10	420	1,028	2 3	2 2	105 280	206 152
ApparelLeather and allied products	( <sup>3</sup> )	8 (³)	1,119 ( <sup>3</sup> )	758 ( <sup>3</sup> )	( <sup>3</sup> )	( <sup>3</sup> )	( <sup>3</sup> )	( <sup>3</sup> )
Wood products	12	5	1,083	290	3	1	271	58
Paper	5	5	427	551	1	1	107	110
Printing and related support activities	5	9	383	744	1	2	96	149
Petroleum and coal products Chemicals	( <sup>3</sup> )	( <sup>3</sup> ) 5	( <sup>3</sup> )	( <sup>3</sup> ) 549	( <sup>3</sup> )	( <sup>3</sup> )	( <sup>3</sup> )	( <sup>3</sup> ) 110
Plastics and rubber products	( <sup>3</sup> ) 11	5	( <sup>3</sup> ) 880	374	3	1	( <sup>3</sup> ) 220	75
Nonmetallic mineral products	5	4	380	1,007	1	1	95	201
Primary metals	11	12	914	2,741	3	2	229	548
Fabricated metal products	10	12	607	1,139	3	2	152	228
Machinery  Computer and electronic products	16 10	25 17	2,042 716	2,489 1,240	4 3	5 3	511 179	498 248
Electrical equipment and appliances	9	6	915	414	2	1	229	83
Transportation equipment	34	39	4,871	5,618	9	8	1,218	1,124
Furniture and related products	7	15	771	1,361	2	3	193	272
Miscellaneous manufacturing	9	(3)	826	(3)	2	(3)	207	(3)
Wholesale trade	18	20	1,440	1,476	5	4	360	295
Retail trade <sup>4</sup> Building material and garden supply stores	82 12	132 15	7,177 845	12,962 1,320	21 3	26 3	1,794 211	2,592 264
Food and beverage stores	17	28	1,175	2,540	4	6	294	508
Clothing and clothing accessories stores	7	6	345	393	2	1	86	79
General merchandise stores	27	55	3,454	6,283	7	11	864	1,257
Transportation and warehousing 4	144	191	19,513	25,973	36	38	4,878	5,195
Truck transportation	4	( <sup>3</sup> )	228	( <sup>3</sup> )	1	( <sup>3</sup> )	57	( <sup>3</sup> )
Transit and ground passenger transportation Support activities for transportation	126 5	177 4	17,854 583	25,086 249	32 1	35 1	4,464 146	5,017 50
Information	41	48	5,721	8,612	10	10	1,430	1,722
Finance and insurance	18	24	1,158	2,099	5	5	290	420
Real estate and rental and leasing	7	11	779	821	2	2	195	164
Professional and technical services	32 5	37	3,378 351	4,057	8 1	7	845 88	811
Administrative and waste services	170	( <sup>3</sup> ) 201	16,582	( <sup>3</sup> ) 18,652	43	( <sup>3</sup> ) 40	4,146	( <sup>3</sup> ) 3,730
Educational services	26	41	1,604	2,955	7	8	401	591
Health care and social assistance	177	201	14,975	17,167	44	40	3,744	3,433
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	30	40	1,664	2,812	8	8	416	562
Accommodation and food services	120 16	131 13	14,179 1,074	18,642 901	30 4	26 3	3,545 269	3,728 180
Food services and drinking places	104	118	13,105	17,741	26	24	3,276	3,548
Other services, except public administration	53	47	4,129 -	3,718 -	13	9	1,032	744 -
Government	379	351	33,986	36,216	95	70	8,497	7,243
Federal	18	6	1,942	499	5	1	486	100
State government adjustion	29 10	36 24	2,086	3,028	7 5	7 5	522	606 346
State government education	19 332	24 309	1,450 29,958	1,731 32,689	83	62	363 7,490	346 6,538
Local government education	286	266	26,127	29,008	72	53	6,532	5,802

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Average weekly analysis mitigates the effect of differing lengths of months. There were 4 weeks in June 2011 and 5 weeks in June 2012. Average weekly events and initial claimants may not sum to subtotals and totals due to rounding.

NOTE: Dash represents zero.

 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm 2}$  Data were reported by all states and the District of Columbia.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Data do not meet BLS or state agency disclosure standards.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Includes other industries not shown.

Table 4. Region and state distribution: Mass layoff events and initial claimants for unemployment insurance, not seasonally adjusted

	Mass layoff totals			Average weekly mass layoffs <sup>1</sup>					
Census region and state	Eve	ents	Initial C	laimants	Eve	ents	Initial C	Initial Claimants	
Ü	June 2011	June 2012	June 2011	June 2012	June 2011	June 2012	June 2011	June 2012	
Total <sup>2</sup>	1,661	1,890	159,930	198,537	415	378	39,983	39,707	
Northeast	276	382	30,513	46,039	69	76	7,628	9,208	
Connecticut Maine	10 7	15 6	807 458	2,233 399	3 2	3 1	202 115	447 80	
Massachusetts	16	19	1,133	1,850	4	4	283	370	
New Hampshire		6	614	1,154	1	1	154	231	
New Jersey	44 55	90	6,432	15,028	11	18	1,608	3,006	
New York Pennsylvania	124	99 130	5,185 13,892	10,248 12,394	14 31	20 26	1,296 3,473	2,050 2,479	
Rhode Island	10	11	1,276	1,925	3	2	319	385	
Vermont	7	6	716	808	2	1	179	162	
South	482	540	45,180	53,862	121	108	11,295	10,772	
Alabama	20	26	1,922	2,333	5	5	481	467	
Arkansas Delaware	29 6	19 4	3,185 415	2,008 345	7 2	4 1	796 104	402 69	
District of Columbia	(³)	3	( <sup>3</sup> )	335	( <sup>3</sup> )	1	( <sup>3</sup> )	67	
Florida	114	127	9,161	11,476	29	25	2,290	2,295	
Georgia	43	50	4,789	5,246	11	10	1,197	1,049	
Kentucky Louisiana	22 28	26 26	2,003 2,056	2,452 2,192	6 7	5 5	501 514	490 438	
Maryland <sup>4</sup>		34	1,102	3,891	3	7	276	778	
Mississippi	5	17	240	1,243	1	3	60	249	
North Carolina	45	58	4,871	5,320	11	12	1,218	1,064	
Oklahoma South Carolina	6 23	4 23	481 1,878	802 2,047	2 6	1 5	120 470	160 409	
Tennessee	13	21	1,438	2,193	3	4	360	439	
Texas	86	76	9,229	9,341	22	15	2,307	1,868	
Virginia West Virginia	25 ( <sup>3</sup> )	26	2,071 ( <sup>3</sup> )	2,638	6 (³)	5	518 ( <sup>3</sup> )	528	
Midwest	326	355	33,813	37,944	82	71	8,453	7,589	
Illinois	61	65	6,436	6,223	15	13	1,609	1,245	
Indiana	28	32	2,722	2,965	7	6	681	593	
lowa	14	17	1,359	1,513	4	3	340	303	
Kansas Michigan	8 55	14 64	682 5,413	1,607 8,103	2 14	3 13	171 1,353	321 1,621	
Minnesota	17	20	1,249	1,989	4	4	312	398	
Missouri	42	26	3,176	1,927	11	5	794	385	
Nebraska North Dakota	5	5	441	360	1	1	110 ( <sup>3</sup> )	72	
Ohio	( <sup>3</sup> ) 42	( <sup>3</sup> ) 50	( <sup>3</sup> ) 6,150	( <sup>3</sup> ) 5,491	( <sup>3</sup> ) 11	( <sup>3</sup> ) 10	1,538	1,098	
South Dakota	(³)	(³)	(3)	( <sup>3</sup> )	(³)	(³)	( <sup>3</sup> )	( <sup>3</sup> )	
Wisconsin	50	58	5,681	7,202	13	12	1,420	1,440	
West	577	613	50,424	60,692	144	123	12,606	12,138	
Alaska	( <sup>3</sup> )	(3)	( <sup>3</sup> )	( <sup>3</sup> )	(³) <sub>-</sub>	(3)	(3)	(3)	
Arizona California	18 462	13 489	1,561 39,788	1,319 49,090	5 116	3 98	390 9,947	264 9,818	
Colorado	9	12	708	1,138	2	2	177	228	
Hawaii	4	5	275	467	1	1	69	93	
Idaho Montana	8	( <sup>3</sup> )	832	( <sup>3</sup> )	2	( <sup>3</sup> )	208	( <sup>3</sup> )	
Nevada	6 12	7 18	531 1,292	514 1,870	2	1 4	133 323	103 374	
New Mexico	8	8	663	520	2	2	166	104	
Oregon	28	30	2,967	2,865	7	6	742	573	
Utah Washington	( <sup>3</sup> ) 17	5 20	( <sup>3</sup> ) 1,231	422 2,064	( <sup>3</sup> )	1 4	( <sup>3</sup> ) 308	84 413	
Wyoming	-	-	1,231	2,00 <del>4</del> -	-	-	-	413	
Puerto Rico	10	16	941	2,596	3	3	235	519	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See footnote 1, table 3.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See footnote 2, table 3.

 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm 3}\,{\rm Data}$  do not meet BLS or state agency disclosure standards.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Data starting in June 2012 may not be comparable to prior data due to a change in MLS unemployment insurance procedures. NOTE: Dash represents zero.