

ATTACHMENT VII

Table 2: Recent and Projected Unemployment Rates

Nation	Projected Unemployment Rates (%)				
	CY 2007	CY 2008	CY 2009	CY 2010	
	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	
Actual Unemployment Rates (%)					
	CY 2002	CY 2003	CY 2004	CY 2005	CY 2006
Nation	5.8	6.0	5.5	5.1	4.6
Alabama	5.4	5.5	5.1	3.9	3.6
Alaska	7.1	7.7	7.4	6.9	6.7
Arizona	6.0	5.7	4.9	4.6	4.1
Arkansas	5.3	5.8	5.6	5.1	5.3
California	6.7	6.8	6.2	5.4	4.9
Colorado	5.7	6.1	5.6	5.1	4.3
Connecticut	4.4	5.5	4.9	4.9	4.3
Delaware	4.0	4.2	4.0	4.0	3.6
District of Columbia	6.7	7.0	7.5	6.5	6.0
Florida	5.7	5.3	4.7	3.8	3.3
Georgia	4.8	4.8	4.7	5.2	4.6
Hawaii	4.0	3.9	3.2	2.7	2.4
Idaho	5.4	5.3	4.7	4.0	3.4
Illinois	6.5	6.7	6.2	5.7	4.5
Indiana	5.2	5.3	5.3	5.3	5.0
Iowa	3.9	4.4	4.7	4.3	3.7
Kansas	5.1	5.6	5.6	5.1	4.5
Kentucky	5.7	6.3	5.5	6.0	5.7
Louisiana	5.9	6.2	5.5	6.7	4.0
Maine	4.4	5.0	4.6	4.8	4.6
Maryland	4.5	4.5	4.3	4.2	3.9
Massachusetts	5.3	5.8	5.2	4.8	5.0
Michigan	6.2	7.1	7.0	6.8	6.9
Minnesota	4.5	4.8	4.6	4.1	4.0
Mississippi	6.7	6.4	6.4	7.8	6.8
Missouri	5.2	5.6	5.8	5.3	4.8

Actual Unemployment Rates (%)

	CY 2002	CY 2003	CY 2004	CY 2005	CY 2006
Montana	4.5	4.4	4.2	3.9	3.2
Nebraska	3.7	4.0	3.9	3.9	3.0
Nevada	5.7	5.3	4.5	4.2	4.2
New Hampshire	4.5	4.4	3.9	3.6	3.4
New Jersey	5.8	5.9	4.9	4.5	4.6
New Mexico	5.5	5.9	5.8	5.3	4.2
New York	6.2	6.4	5.8	5.0	4.5
North Carolina	6.6	6.5	5.5	5.2	4.8
North Dakota	3.5	3.6	3.5	3.4	3.2
Ohio	5.7	6.2	6.2	5.9	5.5
Oklahoma	4.8	5.6	5.0	4.4	4.0
Oregon	7.6	8.1	7.3	6.2	5.4
Pennsylvania	5.6	5.7	5.4	5.0	4.7
Puerto Rico	12.3	12.0	10.6	11.3	10.4
Rhode Island	5.1	5.4	5.2	5.1	5.1
South Carolina	5.9	6.7	6.8	6.7	6.5
South Dakota	3.3	3.5	3.7	3.7	3.2
Tennessee	5.3	5.7	5.5	5.6	5.2
Texas	6.4	6.7	6.0	5.4	4.9
Utah	5.8	5.6	5.0	4.1	2.9
Vermont	4.0	4.5	3.7	3.4	3.6
Virginia	4.2	4.1	3.7	3.5	3.0
Washington	7.3	7.4	6.3	5.5	5.0
West Virginia	5.9	6.0	5.3	5.0	4.9
Wisconsin	5.3	5.6	5.0	4.8	4.7
Wyoming	4.2	4.5	3.9	3.7	3.2

Table 2: Recent and Projected Unemployment Rates

Table 2 shows recent and projected unemployment rates for the nation and each state. The values for CY 2005 are representative of when the PY 2005 employment and earnings outcomes occurred. For example, both entered employment for exiters from October 2004 to September 2005 and retention for exiters from April 2004 to March 2005 occurred during CY 2005.

The December 2006 numbers are provided as an indication of where states are today. The national projections are provided to help extrapolate state values to the future. The projections were developed by the Administration to support the FY 2007 budget. These projections are now somewhat out of date. However, the implication of these projections is that unemployment rates can be expected to be relatively stable over the next few years. Therefore, one might use the December 2006 unemployment rates as a projection of future unemployment rates.

(When using Table 2 to inform the negotiation process, please note that the unemployment rates shown are calendar years, not program years.)