

**May 2009 Ranking of
Ohio County Unemployment Rates**
(Not Seasonally Adjusted)

Among the state's 88 counties, the May 2009 unemployment rates ranged from a low of 6.7 percent in Delaware County to a high of 17.1 percent in Williams County. Rates decreased in 45 of the 88 counties. The comparable rate for Ohio in May was 10.4 percent. (See table below).

Only four counties had unemployment rates at or below 8.0 percent in May. The counties with the lowest rates, other than Delaware, were: Holmes, 7.5; Lawrence, 7.7; and Geauga, 8.0 percent.

Five counties had unemployment rates above 15.0 percent during May. The counties with the highest rates, other than Williams, were: Defiance, 16.1; Crawford, 15.8; Huron, 15.4; and Van Wert, 15.2 percent.

EDITOR'S NOTE: These estimates, prepared in cooperation with the Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, are based on 2008 benchmark and geared to county of residence. Unemployment rates for all Ohio counties as well as cities with populations of 50,000 or more are presented in the monthly ODJFS *Civilian Labor Force Estimates* publication. Updated statewide historical data may be obtained by contacting the Bureau of Labor Market Information at (614) 466-1109.

June 2009 unemployment rates and nonagricultural wage and salary data for Ohio will be released by ODJFS on Friday, July 17, 2009. County, city and metropolitan area unemployment rates will be available on Tuesday, July 21, 2009. This information and the monthly statistical summaries it is based on are also available at <http://jfs.ohio.gov/releases>.

Ranking Report
Ohio Unemployment Rates by County
May 2009

Rank (b)	County	Unemployment Rate	Rank (b)	County	Unemployment Rate
1	Williams County	17.1	45	Lorain County	11.4
2	Defiance County	16.1	46	Darke County	11.3
3	Crawford County	15.8	47	Logan County	11.3
4	Huron County	15.4	48	Monroe County	11.3
5	Van Wert County	15.2	49	Auglaize County	11.2
6	Morgan County	14.8	50	Jackson County	11.1
7	Highland County	14.8	51	Stark County	11.1
8	Pike County	14.6	52	Harrison County	11.0
9	Trumbull County	14.3	53	Pickaway County	10.9
10	Henry County	14.2	54	Tuscarawas County	10.9
11	Paulding County	14.1	55	Hocking County	10.7
12	Meigs County	14.1	56	Morrow County	10.7
13	Adams County	13.8	57	Erie County	10.6
14	Carroll County	13.8	58	Putnam County	10.5
15	Perry County	13.6	59	Marion County	10.3
16	Fulton County	13.6	60	Fayette County	10.3
17	Coshocton County	13.4	61	Clark County	10.2
18	Lucas County	13.4	62	Hancock County	10.2
19	Clinton County	13.3	63	Cuyahoga County	10.1
20	Ashtabula County	13.3	64	Wayne County	10.0
21	Columbiana County	13.3	65	Portage County	10.0
22	Shelby County	13.1	66	Butler County	9.7
23	Wyandot County	13.1	67	Summit County	9.7
24	Richland County	13.1	68	Clermont County	9.6
25	Brown County	13.0	69	Greene County	9.5
26	Vinton County	13.0	70	Lake County	9.5
27	Ottawa County	12.8	71	Licking County	9.4
28	Noble County	12.8	72	Medina County	9.3
29	Seneca County	12.7	73	Knox County	9.1
30	Preble County	12.3	74	Washington County	9.1
31	Mahoning County	12.2	75	Mercer County	9.0
32	Jefferson County	12.2	76	Madison County	9.0
33	Miami County	12.1	77	Gallia County	9.0
34	Hardin County	12.1	78	Warren County	8.9
35	Ashland County	12.1	79	Hamilton County	8.7
36	Wood County	12.0	80	Belmont County	8.3
37	Ross County	11.9	81	Athens County	8.2
38	Sandusky County	11.8	82	Union County	8.2
39	Muskingum County	11.8	83	Fairfield County	8.1
40	Champaign County	11.5	84	Franklin County	8.1
41	Guernsey County	11.5	85	Geauga County	8.0
42	Scioto County	11.5	86	Lawrence County	7.7
43	Allen County	11.4	87	Holmes County	7.5
44	Montgomery County	11.4	88	Delaware County	6.7

[a] These estimates, prepared in cooperation with the Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, are based on 2008 benchmark, are geared to county of residence, and NOT seasonally adjusted. (b) Rankings based upon unrounded unemployment rates.

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