

**Unemployment Rates for States
Annual Average Rankings
2000 - 2011**

State	2011		2010		2009		2008		2007		2006		2005		2004		2003		2002		2001		2000	
	Rate	Rank	Rate	Rank	Rate	Rank	Rate	Rank	Rate	Rank	Rate	Rank	Rate	Rank	Rate	Rank	Rate	Rank	Rate	Rank	Rate	Rank	Rate	Rank
United States	8.9	---	9.6	---	9.3	---	5.8	---	4.6	---	4.6	---	5.1	---	5.5	---	6.0	---	5.8	---	4.7	---	4.0	---
Alabama	9.0	33	9.5	32	9.9	37	5.0	23	3.4	9	3.5	11	3.8	10	5.0	21	5.4	20	5.4	26	4.7	28	4.1	32
Alaska	7.6	22	8.0	18	7.7	20	6.4	39	6.1	49	6.5	49	6.9	50	7.4	50	7.7	50	7.1	49	6.2	48	6.2	51
Arizona	9.5	38	10.5	41	9.9	37	6.0	35	3.7	15	4.1	18	4.7	21	5.0	21	5.7	27	6.0	39	4.7	28	4.0	28
Arkansas	8.0	25	7.9	16	7.5	17	5.4	25	5.3	43	5.3	43	5.1	29	5.6	35	5.8	31	5.3	22	4.7	28	4.2	33
California	11.7	50	12.4	49	11.3	48	7.2	49	5.4	44	4.9	37	5.4	36	6.2	43	6.8	46	6.7	46	5.4	43	4.9	43
Colorado	8.3	28	8.9	29	8.1	25	4.8	19	3.8	16	4.3	23	5.1	29	5.6	35	6.1	36	5.7	30	3.8	13	2.7	3
Connecticut	8.8	32	9.3	30	8.2	27	5.6	32	4.6	28	4.4	24	4.9	24	4.9	19	5.5	22	4.4	10	3.1	2	2.3	1
Delaware	7.3	16	8.0	18	7.9	22	4.8	19	3.5	12	3.5	11	4.0	13	3.9	6	4.2	6	4.0	5	3.5	9	3.3	14
District of Columbia	10.2	43	10.1	37	9.7	35	6.6	43	5.5	45	5.7	46	6.5	46	7.5	51	7.0	47	6.7	46	6.3	50	5.7	49
Florida	10.5	46	11.3	47	10.4	42	6.3	36	4.0	20	3.3	10	3.8	10	4.7	17	5.3	18	5.7	30	4.7	28	3.8	25
Georgia	9.8	41	10.2	39	9.8	36	6.3	36	4.6	28	4.7	31	5.2	33	4.7	17	4.8	13	4.8	16	4.0	16	3.5	19
Hawaii	6.7	11	6.9	7	6.9	11	4.1	10	2.7	2	2.5	1	2.8	1	3.2	1	3.9	3	4.0	5	4.2	18	4.0	28
Idaho	8.7	31	8.8	28	7.4	15	4.7	18	3.0	5	3.0	3	3.7	7	4.6	13	5.2	16	5.4	26	4.9	34	4.6	41
Illinois	9.8	41	10.5	41	10.0	39	6.4	39	5.1	40	4.6	28	5.8	42	6.2	43	6.7	43	6.5	44	5.4	43	4.5	38
Indiana	9.0	33	10.1	37	10.4	42	5.8	33	4.6	28	5.0	40	5.4	36	5.3	28	5.3	18	5.2	20	4.2	18	2.9	10
Iowa	5.9	6	6.3	5	6.2	5	4.0	8	3.8	16	3.7	14	4.3	17	4.6	13	4.4	8	3.9	4	3.3	6	2.8	8
Kansas	6.7	11	7.2	12	7.2	14	4.4	13	4.1	21	4.4	24	5.1	29	5.5	32	5.6	23	5.1	18	4.3	20	3.8	25
Kentucky	9.5	38	10.2	39	10.3	41	6.6	43	5.6	46	5.9	47	6.0	44	5.6	35	6.3	39	5.7	30	5.2	38	4.2	33
Louisiana	7.3	16	7.5	14	6.6	8	4.4	13	3.8	16	3.9	17	6.7	47	5.5	32	6.2	37	5.9	37	5.4	43	5.0	44
Maine	7.5	20	8.2	21	8.1	25	5.4	25	4.7	33	4.7	31	4.9	24	4.6	13	5.0	15	4.4	10	3.7	10	3.3	14
Maryland	7.0	15	7.8	15	7.4	15	4.3	12	3.4	9	3.8	16	4.1	14	4.3	11	4.5	9	4.5	12	4.1	17	3.6	20
Massachusetts	7.4	18	8.3	23	8.2	27	5.3	24	4.5	27	4.8	34	4.8	22	5.2	26	5.8	31	5.3	22	3.7	10	2.7	3
Michigan	10.3	44	12.7	50	13.4	51	8.3	51	7.1	51	6.9	51	6.8	48	7.1	48	7.1	48	6.2	41	5.2	38	3.7	22
Minnesota	6.4	10	7.3	13	8.0	23	5.4	25	4.7	33	4.1	18	4.2	16	4.6	13	4.9	14	4.5	12	3.8	13	3.1	12
Mississippi	10.7	48	10.5	41	9.4	32	6.8	46	6.3	50	6.8	50	7.8	51	6.3	46	6.4	40	6.7	46	5.6	46	5.7	49
Missouri	8.6	29	9.4	31	9.4	32	5.9	34	5.0	39	4.8	34	5.4	36	5.8	38	5.6	23	5.2	20	4.5	25	3.3	14
Montana	6.8	14	6.9	7	6.1	4	4.5	15	3.4	9	3.2	7	3.6	5	4.0	10	4.3	7	4.5	12	4.5	25	4.8	42
Nebraska	4.4	2	4.7	2	4.7	2	3.3	4	3.0	5	3.0	3	3.9	12	3.9	6	4.0	4	3.7	3	3.1	2	2.8	8
Nevada	13.5	51	13.7	51	11.6	50	7.0	48	4.7	33	4.2	22	4.5	18	4.4	12	5.2	16	5.7	30	5.3	42	4.5	38
New Hampshire	5.4	4	6.1	4	6.2	5	3.9	7	3.5	12	3.5	11	3.6	5	3.9	6	4.5	9	4.5	12	3.4	8	2.7	3
New Jersey	9.3	37	9.6	33	9.0	31	5.5	31	4.3	24	4.6	28	4.5	18	4.9	19	5.9	33	5.8	35	4.3	20	3.7	22
New Mexico	7.4	18	7.9	16	6.8	10	4.5	15	3.5	12	4.1	18	5.2	33	5.8	38	5.9	33	5.5	28	4.9	34	5.0	44
New York	8.2	27	8.6	27	8.3	29	5.4	25	4.6	28	4.6	28	5.0	27	5.8	38	6.4	40	6.2	41	4.9	34	4.5	38
North Carolina	10.5	46	10.9	45	10.5	44	6.3	36	4.8	36	4.8	34	5.3	35	5.5	32	6.5	42	6.6	45	5.6	46	3.7	22
North Dakota	3.5	1	3.8	1	4.1	1	3.1	2	3.1	7	3.2	7	3.4	2	3.5	2	3.6	2	3.5	2	2.8	1	2.9	10
Ohio	8.6	29	10.0	36	10.1	40	6.5	41	5.6	46	5.4	45	5.9	43	6.1	42	6.2	37	5.7	30	4.4	22	4.0	28
Oklahoma	6.2	8	6.9	7	6.7	9	3.7	6	4.1	21	4.1	18	4.5	18	5.0	21	5.6	23	4.8	16	3.7	10	3.1	12
Oregon	9.5	38	10.7	44	11.1	47	6.5	41	5.2	41	5.3	43	6.2	45	7.3	49	8.1	51	7.6	51	6.4	51	5.1	47
Pennsylvania	7.9	23	8.5	24	8.0	23	5.4	25	4.4	25	4.5	26	5.0	27	5.4	30	5.7	27	5.6	29	4.8	33	4.2	33
Rhode Island	11.3	49	11.7	48	10.9	46	7.7	50	5.2	41	5.1	41	5.1	29	5.2	26	5.4	20	5.1	18	4.5	25	4.2	33
South Carolina	10.3	44	11.2	46	11.5	49	6.8	46	5.6	46	6.4	48	6.8	48	6.8	47	6.7	43	6.0	39	5.2	38	3.6	20
South Dakota	4.7	3	5.0	3	5.2	3	3.0	1	2.9	4	3.1	6	3.7	7	3.7	3	3.5	1	3.3	1	3.1	2	2.7	3
Tennessee	9.2	35	9.8	34	10.5	44	6.6	43	4.8	36	5.2	42	5.6	41	5.4	30	5.7	27	5.3	22	4.7	28	4.0	28
Texas	7.9	23	8.2	21	7.5	17	4.9	22	4.4	25	4.9	37	5.4	36	6.0	41	6.7	43	6.4	43	5.0	37	4.4	37
Utah	6.7	11	8.0	18	7.6	19	3.5	5	2.6	1	2.9	2	4.1	14	5.1	25	5.7	27	5.8	35	4.4	22	3.4	17
Vermont	5.6	5	6.4	6	6.9	11	4.5	15	3.9	19	3.7	14	3.5	3	3.7	3	4.5	9	4.0	5	3.3	6	2.7	3
Virginia	6.2	8	6.9	7	6.9	11	4.0	8	3.1	7	3.0	3	3.5	3	3.7	3	4.1	5	4.2	8	3.2	5	2.3	1
Washington	9.2	35	9.9	35	9.4	32	5.4	25	4.6	28	4.9	37	5.5	40	6.2	43	7.4	49	7.3	50	6.2	48	5.0	44
West Virginia	8.0	25	8.5	24	7.7	20	4.2	11	4.2	23	4.5	26	4.9	24	5.3	28	6.0	35	5.9	37	5.2	38	5.5	48
Wisconsin	7.5	20	8.5	24	8.7	30	4.8	19	4.8	36	4.7	31	4.8	22	5.0	21	5.6	23	5.3	22	4.4	22	3.4	17
Wyoming	6.0	7	7.0	11	6.3	7	3.1	2	2.8	3	3.2	7	3.7	7	3.9	6	4.5	9	4.2	8	3.9	15	3.8	25