

# States Ranked by August 2017 Unemployment Rate

## Seasonally Adjusted

Rank	State	Unemployment Rate (%)
1	North Dakota	2.3
2	Colorado	2.4
3	Hawaii	2.6
4	New Hampshire	2.7
5	Nebraska	2.8
6	Idaho	2.9
7	Vermont	3.0
8	Iowa	3.3
8	South Dakota	3.3
8	Tennessee	3.3
11	Wisconsin	3.4
12	Arkansas	3.5
12	Indiana	3.5
12	Utah	3.5
15	Maine	3.8
15	Minnesota	3.8
15	Virginia	3.8
18	Kansas	3.9

Rank	State	Unemployment Rate (%)
18	Maryland	3.9
<b>18</b>	<b>Michigan</b>	3.9
18	Montana	3.9
<b>22</b>	<b>Florida</b>	4.0
22	Missouri	4.0
22	South Carolina	4.0
22	Wyoming	4.0
<b>26</b>	<b>North Carolina</b>	4.1
26	Oregon	4.1
28	Alabama	4.2
28	Massachusetts	4.2
<b>28</b>	<b>Texas</b>	4.2
31	Rhode Island	4.3
32	New Jersey	4.5
32	Oklahoma	4.5
34	Washington	4.6
<b>35</b>	<b>Georgia</b>	4.7
36	Connecticut	4.8

Rank	State	Unemployment Rate (%)
<b>36</b>	<b>New York</b>	4.8
38	Delaware	4.9
38	Nevada	4.9
<b>38</b>	<b>Pennsylvania</b>	4.9
41	Arizona	5.0
<b>41</b>	<b>Illinois</b>	5.0
41	West Virginia	5.0
<b>44</b>	<b>California</b>	5.1
45	Louisiana	5.2
46	Mississippi	5.3
47	Kentucky	5.4
<b>47</b>	<b>Ohio</b>	5.4
49	New Mexico	6.3
50	District of Columbia	6.4
51	Alaska	7.2
52	Puerto Rico	10.1

Note: The ten most populous states are shaded. This list includes the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico.

Source: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Local Area Unemployment Statistics Program, in cooperation with State Workforce Agencies, Labor Market Information programs, released September 15, 2017.

# States Ranked by Annual Nonagricultural Employment Change

## August 2017, Seasonally Adjusted

Rank	State	Over-the-Year Change (Jobs)
<b>1</b>	<b>Texas</b>	<b>298,600</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>California</b>	<b>265,100</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>Florida</b>	<b>221,400</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>New York</b>	<b>128,600</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>Georgia</b>	<b>116,500</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>North Carolina</b>	<b>70,500</b>
7	Washington	67,300
8	Maryland	63,600
<b>9</b>	<b>Michigan</b>	<b>60,300</b>
<b>10</b>	<b>Pennsylvania</b>	<b>59,400</b>
11	Virginia	58,700
12	Massachusetts	57,400
<b>13</b>	<b>Ohio</b>	<b>57,100</b>
14	Missouri	52,300
15	Tennessee	52,200
16	Colorado	45,800
17	Minnesota	44,000
18	Oregon	41,600

Rank	State	Over-the-Year Change (Jobs)
19	Nevada	38,800
20	New Jersey	38,100
21	Utah	37,300
22	South Carolina	35,600
23	Arizona	34,700
24	Indiana	31,600
25	Kentucky	30,500
26	Alabama	26,900
27	Louisiana	24,200
<b>28</b>	<b>Illinois</b>	<b>23,600</b>
29	Arkansas	23,400
30	Oklahoma	19,900
31	Wisconsin	19,000
32	Iowa	17,200
33	Idaho	15,200
34	New Hampshire	14,300
35	Nebraska	13,500
36	District of Columbia	13,100

Rank	State	Over-the-Year Change (Jobs)
37	Rhode Island	9,300
38	New Mexico	8,800
39	Montana	7,600
40	Mississippi	6,900
41	Connecticut	6,000
42	North Dakota	5,700
43	Hawaii	3,800
44	South Dakota	3,300
45	Delaware	2,800
46	Maine	2,700
47	Vermont	1,900
48	West Virginia	900
49	Virgin Islands	500
50	Alaska	300
51	Wyoming	-2,400
52	Kansas	-9,000
53	Puerto Rico	-16,200

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# States Ranked by Annual Nonagricultural Employment Percentage Change August 2017, Seasonally Adjusted

Rank	State	Over-the-Year Change (%)
1	Nevada	3.0%
2	<b>Georgia</b>	2.7%
3	<b>Florida</b>	2.6%
3	Utah	2.6%
5	<b>Texas</b>	2.5%
6	Maryland	2.3%
6	Oregon	2.3%
8	Idaho	2.2%
9	New Hampshire	2.1%
9	Washington	2.1%
11	Arkansas	1.9%
11	Rhode Island	1.9%
13	Missouri	1.8%
13	Colorado	1.8%
13	Tennessee	1.8%
16	South Carolina	1.7%
16	District of Columbia	1.7%
18	Montana	1.6%

Rank	State	Over-the-Year Change (%)
<b>18</b>	<b>North Carolina</b>	1.6%
18	Massachusetts	1.6%
<b>18</b>	<b>California</b>	1.6%
18	Kentucky	1.6%
23	Minnesota	1.5%
23	Virginia	1.5%
<b>25</b>	<b>Michigan</b>	1.4%
<b>25</b>	<b>New York</b>	1.4%
25	Alabama	1.4%
28	Nebraska	1.3%
28	North Dakota	1.3%
28	Virgin Islands	1.3%
28	Arizona	1.3%
32	Louisiana	1.2%
32	Oklahoma	1.2%
34	Iowa	1.1%
34	New Mexico	1.1%
<b>36</b>	<b>Ohio</b>	1.0%

Rank	State	Over-the-Year Change (%)
36	Indiana	1.0%
<b>36</b>	<b>Pennsylvania</b>	1.0%
39	New Jersey	0.9%
40	South Dakota	0.8%
41	Wisconsin	0.6%
41	Delaware	0.6%
41	Vermont	0.6%
41	Mississippi	0.6%
41	Hawaii	0.6%
46	Maine	0.4%
<b>46</b>	<b>Illinois</b>	0.4%
46	Connecticut	0.4%
49	West Virginia	0.1%
49	Alaska	0.1%
51	Kansas	-0.6%
52	Wyoming	-0.9%
53	Puerto Rico	-1.8%

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# States Ranked by Labor Force Participation Rate

## August 2017, Seasonally Adjusted

- The *labor force participation rate* represents the proportion of the civilian noninstitutional population that is in the labor force.

Rank	State	Labor Force Participation Rate (%)
1	North Dakota	71.8
2	District of Columbia	70.6
3	Minnesota	70.1
4	Utah	69.7
5	South Dakota	69.1
6	Wisconsin	68.8
7	Nebraska	68.7
8	New Hampshire	68.6
9	Iowa	68.4
10	Maryland	68.3
11	Colorado	67.8
12	Kansas	66.9
13	Vermont	66.8
13	Connecticut	66.8
13	Alaska	66.8
16	Massachusetts	66.1
17	Virginia	65.6

Rank	State	Labor Force Participation Rate (%)
18	Wyoming	65.4
19	Rhode Island	64.6
20	Indiana	64.4
21	Maine	64.1
<b>22</b>	<b>Illinois</b>	<b>64.0</b>
23	Washington	63.9
24	Missouri	63.6
24	Oregon	63.6
26	New Jersey	63.3
27	Idaho	63.1
<b>27</b>	<b>Georgia</b>	<b>63.1</b>
29	Montana	63.0
30	Hawaii	62.9
<b>30</b>	<b>Texas</b>	<b>62.9</b>
<b>32</b>	<b>Pennsylvania</b>	<b>62.7</b>
<b>32</b>	<b>Ohio</b>	<b>62.7</b>
34	Delaware	62.6

Rank	State	Labor Force Participation Rate (%)
<b>35</b>	<b>California</b>	<b>61.9</b>
36	Nevada	61.6
<b>37</b>	<b>North Carolina</b>	<b>61.2</b>
<b>38</b>	<b>Michigan</b>	<b>60.9</b>
<b>38</b>	<b>New York</b>	<b>60.9</b>
40	Oklahoma	60.5
41	Arizona	60.3
42	Tennessee	59.7
<b>43</b>	<b>Florida</b>	<b>59.5</b>
44	Kentucky	59.2
45	Arkansas	59.1
46	South Carolina	58.7
47	Louisiana	57.8
48	New Mexico	57.6
49	Alabama	56.0
50	Mississippi	55.9
51	West Virginia	53.0

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# States Ranked by Employment to Population Ratio

## August 2017, Seasonally Adjusted

- The *employment to population ratio* represents the proportion of the civilian noninstitutional population that is employed.

Rank	State	Employment to Population Ratio (%)
1	North Dakota	70.2
2	Minnesota	67.5
3	Utah	67.3
4	South Dakota	66.8
4	Nebraska	66.8
4	New Hampshire	66.8
7	Wisconsin	66.4
8	Colorado	66.2
9	District of Columbia	66.1
9	Iowa	66.1
11	Maryland	65.6
12	Vermont	64.8
13	Kansas	64.3
14	Connecticut	63.6
15	Massachusetts	63.3
16	Virginia	63.1
17	Wyoming	62.8

Rank	State	Employment to Population Ratio (%)
18	Indiana	62.2
19	Alaska	62.0
20	Rhode Island	61.9
21	Maine	61.7
22	Idaho	61.3
22	Hawaii	61.3
24	Missouri	61.1
25	Washington	61.0
25	Oregon	61.0
<b>27</b>	<b>Illinois</b>	<b>60.8</b>
28	Montana	60.6
29	New Jersey	60.5
<b>30</b>	<b>Texas</b>	<b>60.3</b>
<b>31</b>	<b>Georgia</b>	<b>60.1</b>
<b>32</b>	<b>Pennsylvania</b>	<b>59.6</b>
33	Delaware	59.5
<b>34</b>	<b>Ohio</b>	<b>59.3</b>

Rank	State	Employment to Population Ratio (%)
<b>35</b>	<b>California</b>	<b>58.8</b>
<b>36</b>	<b>North Carolina</b>	<b>58.7</b>
37	Nevada	58.6
<b>38</b>	<b>Michigan</b>	<b>58.5</b>
<b>39</b>	<b>New York</b>	<b>57.9</b>
40	Oklahoma	57.8
40	Tennessee	57.8
42	Arizona	57.3
<b>43</b>	<b>Florida</b>	<b>57.1</b>
43	Arkansas	57.1
45	South Carolina	56.4
46	Kentucky	56.0
47	Louisiana	54.8
48	New Mexico	54.0
49	Alabama	53.6
50	Mississippi	53.0
51	West Virginia	50.4

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# Florida Department of Economic Opportunity, Bureau of Labor Market Statistics

## Products and Services that Support Economic Development

- Labor supply studies for business recruitment
- Labor cost analysis for business site selection
- Skills-matching analysis for reemployment
- Economic impact analysis for job creation / return on investment
- GIS maps for business recruitment / economic development
- Vacancy / hiring needs surveys for reemployment
- Targeted occupations for reemployment
- Targeted industry profiles for job creation
- Employer listings for business recruitment
- Competitive analysis for prison industry staffing
- Competitive analysis for federal rural business loans
- Targeted Employment Areas (TEAs) for foreign investor program
- Labor shed and Census commuting patterns for job creation
- Area job market profiles