

# States Ranked by February 2018 Unemployment Rate Seasonally Adjusted

Rank	State	Unemployment Rate (%)
1	Hawaii	2.1
2	New Hampshire	2.6
2	North Dakota	2.6
4	Nebraska	2.8
4	Vermont	2.8
6	Iowa	2.9
6	Maine	2.9
6	Wisconsin	2.9
9	Colorado	3.0
9	Idaho	3.0
11	Utah	3.1
12	Indiana	3.2
12	Minnesota	3.2
14	Kansas	3.4
14	South Dakota	3.4
14	Tennessee	3.4
17	Massachusetts	3.5
17	Virginia	3.5

Rank	State	Unemployment Rate (%)
19	Alabama	3.7
19	Missouri	3.7
21	Arkansas	3.8
<b>22</b>	<b>Florida</b>	3.9
<b>23</b>	<b>Texas</b>	4.0
23	Wyoming	4.0
25	Kentucky	4.1
25	Montana	4.1
25	Oklahoma	4.1
25	Oregon	4.1
29	Maryland	4.2
<b>30</b>	<b>California</b>	4.3
31	Delaware	4.4
31	South Carolina	4.4
<b>33</b>	<b>Georgia</b>	4.5
33	Louisiana	4.5
33	Mississippi	4.5
<b>33</b>	<b>North Carolina</b>	4.5

Rank	State	Unemployment Rate (%)
<b>33</b>	<b>Ohio</b>	4.5
33	Rhode Island	4.5
39	Connecticut	4.6
39	New Jersey	4.6
<b>39</b>	<b>New York</b>	4.6
<b>42</b>	<b>Illinois</b>	4.7
42	Washington	4.7
<b>44</b>	<b>Michigan</b>	4.8
<b>44</b>	<b>Pennsylvania</b>	4.8
46	Arizona	4.9
46	Nevada	4.9
48	West Virginia	5.4
49	District of Columbia	5.7
50	New Mexico	5.8
51	Alaska	7.3
52	Puerto Rico	10.6

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 March 23, 2018.

# States Ranked by Annual Nonagricultural Employment Change

## February 2018, Seasonally Adjusted

Rank	State	Over-the-Year Change (Jobs)
<b>1</b>	<b>California</b>	<b>383,600</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>Texas</b>	<b>285,200</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>Florida</b>	<b>167,800</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>New York</b>	<b>109,600</b>
5	Washington	96,800
<b>6</b>	<b>Georgia</b>	<b>88,200</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>Pennsylvania</b>	<b>81,400</b>
<b>8</b>	<b>North Carolina</b>	<b>71,300</b>
9	Colorado	63,400
10	New Jersey	63,200
11	Arizona	61,900
<b>12</b>	<b>Michigan</b>	<b>52,000</b>
<b>13</b>	<b>Illinois</b>	<b>48,700</b>
<b>14</b>	<b>Ohio</b>	<b>46,500</b>
15	Utah	46,200
16	Tennessee	45,000
17	Oregon	43,700
18	Nevada	43,000

Rank	State	Over-the-Year Change (Jobs)
19	Massachusetts	39,100
20	Virginia	36,300
21	South Carolina	33,800
22	Oklahoma	31,300
23	Indiana	30,900
24	Missouri	27,300
25	Idaho	24,000
26	Minnesota	21,700
27	Wisconsin	19,200
28	Alabama	16,900
29	Mississippi	14,300
30	New Mexico	11,300
31	Iowa	9,900
32	New Hampshire	9,400
33	Hawaii	8,900
34	Connecticut	8,100
35	Kansas	7,700
36	West Virginia	7,300

Rank	State	Over-the-Year Change (Jobs)
37	Kentucky	7,200
38	District of Columbia	7,100
39	Rhode Island	6,300
40	South Dakota	6,100
41	Montana	5,300
42	Wyoming	4,700
43	Maryland	4,000
44	Maine	3,600
45	Arkansas	2,500
46	Nebraska	1,700
47	Vermont	300
48	Louisiana	-200
49	Delaware	-300
50	Alaska	-1,400
51	Virgin Islands	-2,600
52	North Dakota	-6,800
53	Puerto Rico	-40,200

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# States Ranked by Annual Nonagricultural Employment Percentage Change

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Rank	State	Over-the-Year Change (%)
1	Idaho	3.4%
2	Nevada	3.2%
2	Utah	3.2%
4	Washington	2.9%
5	Colorado	2.4%
<b>6</b>	<b>Texas</b>	<b>2.3%</b>
6	Oregon	2.3%
<b>6</b>	<b>California</b>	<b>2.3%</b>
6	Arizona	2.3%
<b>10</b>	<b>Georgia</b>	<b>2.0%</b>
<b>10</b>	<b>Florida</b>	<b>2.0%</b>
12	Oklahoma	1.9%
13	Wyoming	1.7%
<b>14</b>	<b>North Carolina</b>	<b>1.6%</b>
14	South Carolina	1.6%
16	New Jersey	1.5%
16	Tennessee	1.5%
18	South Dakota	1.4%

Rank	State	Over-the-Year Change (%)
18	New Hampshire	1.4%
<b>18</b>	<b>Pennsylvania</b>	<b>1.4%</b>
18	Hawaii	1.4%
18	New Mexico	1.4%
23	Rhode Island	1.3%
24	Mississippi	1.2%
<b>24</b>	<b>Michigan</b>	<b>1.2%</b>
<b>24</b>	<b>New York</b>	<b>1.2%</b>
27	Montana	1.1%
27	Massachusetts	1.1%
29	Indiana	1.0%
29	West Virginia	1.0%
29	Missouri	1.0%
32	Virginia	0.9%
32	District of Columbia	0.9%
<b>34</b>	<b>Ohio</b>	<b>0.8%</b>
34	Alabama	0.8%
<b>34</b>	<b>Illinois</b>	<b>0.8%</b>

Rank	State	Over-the-Year Change (%)
37	Minnesota	0.7%
37	Wisconsin	0.7%
39	Iowa	0.6%
39	Maine	0.6%
41	Kansas	0.5%
41	Connecticut	0.5%
43	Kentucky	0.4%
44	Arkansas	0.2%
44	Nebraska	0.2%
46	Maryland	0.1%
46	Vermont	0.1%
48	Louisiana	0.0%
49	Delaware	-0.1%
50	Alaska	-0.4%
51	North Dakota	-1.6%
52	Puerto Rico	-4.5%
53	Virgin Islands	-6.8%

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# States Ranked by Labor Force Participation Rate

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- 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	71.4
2	Minnesota	70.2
2	District of Columbia	70.2
4	Utah	69.2
5	South Dakota	69.1
6	Wisconsin	68.6
7	Nebraska	68.5
7	Colorado	68.5
9	Iowa	67.9
10	New Hampshire	67.6
11	Maryland	67.4
12	Vermont	67.0
13	Kansas	66.4
13	Alaska	66.4
15	Connecticut	65.9
16	Massachusetts	65.4
16	Wyoming	65.4

Rank	State	Labor Force Participation Rate (%)
18	Virginia	65.1
<b>19</b>	<b>Illinois</b>	<b>64.6</b>
20	Rhode Island	64.5
21	Idaho	64.0
22	Washington	63.8
23	Indiana	63.7
<b>24</b>	<b>Texas</b>	<b>63.6</b>
25	Missouri	63.4
25	Oregon	63.4
27	Maine	63.3
<b>27</b>	<b>Georgia</b>	<b>63.3</b>
29	Montana	62.8
29	New Jersey	62.8
<b>31</b>	<b>Ohio</b>	<b>62.6</b>
32	Hawaii	62.4
<b>32</b>	<b>Pennsylvania</b>	<b>62.4</b>
<b>34</b>	<b>California</b>	<b>62.3</b>

Rank	State	Labor Force Participation Rate (%)
35	Nevada	62.2
36	Delaware	62.1
<b>37</b>	<b>Michigan</b>	<b>61.5</b>
38	Oklahoma	61.4
<b>38</b>	<b>North Carolina</b>	<b>61.4</b>
<b>40</b>	<b>New York</b>	<b>60.7</b>
40	Arizona	60.7
42	Tennessee	60.6
<b>43</b>	<b>Florida</b>	<b>59.4</b>
44	Louisiana	59.2
45	Kentucky	58.8
46	South Carolina	58.3
47	Arkansas	58.0
48	New Mexico	57.6
49	Alabama	56.3
50	Mississippi	55.6
51	West Virginia	53.9

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# States Ranked by Employment to Population Ratio

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- 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	69.5
2	Minnesota	68.0
3	Utah	67.1
4	South Dakota	66.7
5	Wisconsin	66.6
5	Nebraska	66.6
7	Colorado	66.4
8	District of Columbia	66.2
9	Iowa	66.0
10	New Hampshire	65.8
11	Vermont	65.1
12	Maryland	64.6
13	Kansas	64.1
14	Massachusetts	63.1
15	Connecticut	62.9
16	Wyoming	62.8
16	Virginia	62.8

Rank	State	Employment to Population Ratio (%)
18	Idaho	62.1
19	Indiana	61.7
20	Alaska	61.6
20	Rhode Island	61.6
<b>22</b>	<b>Illinois</b>	<b>61.5</b>
22	Maine	61.5
24	Missouri	61.1
24	Hawaii	61.1
<b>26</b>	<b>Texas</b>	<b>61.0</b>
27	Washington	60.7
27	Oregon	60.7
<b>29</b>	<b>Georgia</b>	<b>60.5</b>
30	Montana	60.2
31	New Jersey	59.8
<b>32</b>	<b>Ohio</b>	<b>59.7</b>
<b>33</b>	<b>California</b>	<b>59.6</b>
<b>34</b>	<b>Pennsylvania</b>	<b>59.4</b>

Rank	State	Employment to Population Ratio (%)
35	Delaware	59.3
36	Nevada	59.1
37	Oklahoma	58.9
<b>38</b>	<b>North Carolina</b>	<b>58.7</b>
<b>39</b>	<b>Michigan</b>	<b>58.6</b>
39	Tennessee	58.6
<b>41</b>	<b>New York</b>	<b>57.9</b>
42	Arizona	57.7
<b>43</b>	<b>Florida</b>	<b>57.1</b>
44	Louisiana	56.5
45	Kentucky	56.3
46	South Carolina	55.8
46	Arkansas	55.8
48	New Mexico	54.2
48	Alabama	54.2
50	Mississippi	53.1
51	West Virginia	51.0

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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