

# States Ranked by September 2016 Unemployment Rate

## Seasonally Adjusted

Rank	State	Unemployment Rate (%)
1	New Hampshire	2.9
1	South Dakota	2.9
3	North Dakota	3.0
4	Nebraska	3.2
5	Hawaii	3.3
5	Vermont	3.3
7	Utah	3.4
8	Colorado	3.6
8	Massachusetts	3.6
10	Idaho	3.8
11	Arkansas	4.0
11	Minnesota	4.0
11	Virginia	4.0
14	Maine	4.1
14	Wisconsin	4.1
16	Iowa	4.2
16	Maryland	4.2
18	Delaware	4.3

Rank	State	Unemployment Rate (%)
18	Montana	4.3
20	Kansas	4.4
21	Indiana	4.5
22	Michigan	4.6
22	Tennessee	4.6
24	Florida	4.7
24	North Carolina	4.7
26	Ohio	4.8
26	Texas	4.8
28	South Carolina	4.9
29	Kentucky	5.0
29	New York	5
31	Georgia	5.1
32	Missouri	5.2
32	Oklahoma	5.2
34	New Jersey	5.3
34	Wyoming	5.3
36	Alabama	5.4

Rank	State	Unemployment Rate (%)
36	Connecticut	5.4
38	Arizona	5.5
38	California	5.5
38	Illinois	5.5
38	Oregon	5.5
42	Rhode Island	5.6
42	Washington	5.6
44	Pennsylvania	5.7
45	Nevada	5.8
45	West Virginia	5.8
47	Mississippi	6.0
48	District of Columbia	6.1
49	Louisiana	6.4
50	New Mexico	6.7
51	Alaska	6.9
52	Puerto Rico	11.9

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 October 21, 2016.

# States Ranked by Annual Nonagricultural Employment Change

## September 2016, Seasonally Adjusted

Rank	State	Over-the-Year Change (Jobs)
1	California	379,700
2	Florida	276,300
3	Texas	206,800
4	Georgia	118,700
5	New York	106,600
6	Washington	100,500
7	Michigan	84,900
8	North Carolina	82,600
9	Virginia	81,100
10	Massachusetts	78,300
11	Ohio	73,400
12	Tennessee	71,300
13	Colorado	69,200
14	Oregon	61,600
15	Arizona	61,500
16	South Carolina	54,400
17	New Jersey	53,400
18	Pennsylvania	51,500

Rank	State	Over-the-Year Change (Jobs)
19	Maryland	46,200
20	Minnesota	46,100
21	Indiana	44,200
22	Illinois	43,400
23	Utah	39,800
24	Wisconsin	36,000
25	Nevada	34,300
26	Missouri	31,100
27	Iowa	29,600
28	Kentucky	25,800
29	Idaho	21,500
30	Arkansas	18,600
31	Alabama	16,300
32	Hawaii	15,900
33	District of Columbia	14,600
34	New Hampshire	13,900
35	Delaware	12,900
36	Connecticut	12,800

Rank	State	Over-the-Year Change (Jobs)
37	South Dakota	10,600
38	Nebraska	9,600
39	Mississippi	7,900
40	Vermont	6,200
41	Rhode Island	5,300
42	Maine	3,100
43	Montana	1,000
44	West Virginia	600
45	Virgin Islands	0
46	Alaska	-2,000
47	New Mexico	-3,100
48	North Dakota	-5,700
49	Kansas	-5,900
50	Puerto Rico	-7,200
51	Wyoming	-9,200
52	Oklahoma	-11,300
53	Louisiana	-19,800

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# States Ranked by Annual Nonagricultural Employment Percentage Change September 2016, Seasonally Adjusted

Rank	State	Over-the-Year Change (%)
1	Oregon	3.5%
<b>2</b>	<b>Florida</b>	3.4%
3	Idaho	3.2%
3	Washington	3.2%
5	Delaware	2.9%
5	Utah	2.9%
<b>7</b>	<b>Georgia</b>	2.8%
8	Colorado	2.7%
8	Nevada	2.7%
8	South Carolina	2.7%
11	Hawaii	2.5%
11	South Dakota	2.5%
11	Tennessee	2.5%
<b>14</b>	<b>California</b>	2.3%
14	Arizona	2.3%
16	Massachusetts	2.2%
17	New Hampshire	2.1%
17	Virginia	2.1%

Rank	State	Over-the-Year Change (%)
<b>19</b>	<b>Michigan</b>	2.0%
19	Vermont	2.0%
<b>21</b>	<b>North Carolina</b>	1.9%
21	District of Columbia	1.9%
21	Iowa	1.9%
<b>24</b>	<b>Texas</b>	1.7%
24	Maryland	1.7%
26	Minnesota	1.6%
27	Arkansas	1.5%
27	Indiana	1.5%
29	Kentucky	1.4%
<b>29</b>	<b>Ohio</b>	1.4%
31	New Jersey	1.3%
32	Wisconsin	1.2%
<b>33</b>	<b>New York</b>	1.1%
33	Missouri	1.1%
33	Rhode Island	1.1%
36	Nebraska	1.0%

Rank	State	Over-the-Year Change (%)
<b>37</b>	<b>Pennsylvania</b>	0.9%
38	Alabama	0.8%
38	Connecticut	0.8%
<b>40</b>	<b>Illinois</b>	0.7%
40	Mississippi	0.7%
42	Maine	0.5%
43	Montana	0.2%
44	West Virginia	0.1%
45	Virgin Islands	0.0%
46	New Mexico	-0.4%
46	Kansas	-0.4%
48	Alaska	-0.6%
49	Oklahoma	-0.7%
50	Puerto Rico	-0.8%
51	Louisiana	-1.0%
52	North Dakota	-1.3%
53	Wyoming	-3.2%

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# States Ranked by Labor Force Participation Rate

## September 2016, 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	71.1
2	Iowa	70.1
3	Nebraska	69.7
4	South Dakota	69.6
5	District of Columbia	69.5
6	New Hampshire	69.4
7	Minnesota	69.2
8	Wisconsin	68.4
9	Utah	68.2
10	Vermont	67.0
11	Colorado	66.7
11	Maryland	66.7
11	Kansas	66.7
14	Alaska	66.3
15	Wyoming	66.2
16	Connecticut	66.0
17	Missouri	65.5

Rank	State	Labor Force Participation Rate (%)
18	Indiana	65.4
<b>19</b>	<b>Illinois</b>	<b>65.1</b>
20	Massachusetts	65.0
21	Rhode Island	64.8
22	Virginia	64.3
23	Idaho	64.1
24	New Jersey	63.9
25	Washington	63.8
26	Texas	63.5
27	Montana	63.4
<b>27</b>	<b>Pennsylvania</b>	<b>63.4</b>
29	Maine	63.2
29	Oregon	63.2
31	Delaware	62.9
<b>32</b>	<b>Ohio</b>	<b>62.6</b>
<b>32</b>	<b>California</b>	<b>62.6</b>
<b>34</b>	<b>Hawaii</b>	<b>62.3</b>

Rank	State	Labor Force Participation Rate (%)
<b>35</b>	<b>Georgia</b>	<b>62.2</b>
36	Nevada	62.0
<b>37</b>	<b>North Carolina</b>	<b>61.0</b>
<b>38</b>	<b>Michigan</b>	<b>60.9</b>
39	Tennessee	60.3
39	Oklahoma	60.3
<b>41</b>	<b>New York</b>	<b>60.1</b>
42	Arizona	59.9
43	Louisiana	59.2
44	South Carolina	59.0
45	Arkansas	58.5
<b>46</b>	<b>Florida</b>	<b>58.4</b>
47	New Mexico	57.6
48	Kentucky	57.2
49	Alabama	56.5
50	Mississippi	55.5
51	West Virginia	53.4

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# States Ranked by Employment to Population Ratio

## September 2016, 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	68.9
2	South Dakota	67.6
3	Nebraska	67.4
3	New Hampshire	67.4
5	Iowa	67.2
6	Minnesota	66.4
7	Utah	65.9
8	Wisconsin	65.6
9	District of Columbia	65.2
10	Vermont	64.7
11	Colorado	64.3
12	Maryland	63.9
13	Kansas	63.8
14	Wyoming	62.7
14	Massachusetts	62.7
16	Connecticut	62.4
16	Indiana	62.4

Rank	State	Employment to Population Ratio (%)
18	Missouri	62.1
19	Alaska	61.7
19	Virginia	61.7
19	Idaho	61.7
<b>22</b>	<b>Illinois</b>	<b>61.5</b>
23	Rhode Island	61.2
24	Montana	60.7
25	Maine	60.6
26	New Jersey	60.5
<b>26</b>	<b>Texas</b>	<b>60.5</b>
28	Hawaii	60.3
29	Washington	60.2
29	Delaware	60.2
<b>31</b>	<b>Pennsylvania</b>	<b>59.8</b>
32	Oregon	59.7
<b>33</b>	<b>Ohio</b>	<b>59.6</b>
<b>34</b>	<b>California</b>	<b>59.1</b>

Rank	State	Employment to Population Ratio (%)
<b>35</b>	<b>Georgia</b>	<b>59.0</b>
36	Nevada	58.4
<b>37</b>	<b>North Carolina</b>	<b>58.1</b>
<b>37</b>	<b>Michigan</b>	<b>58.1</b>
39	Tennessee	57.5
40	Oklahoma	57.1
<b>40</b>	<b>New York</b>	<b>57.1</b>
42	Arizona	56.6
43	South Carolina	56.2
44	Arkansas	56.1
<b>45</b>	<b>Florida</b>	<b>55.7</b>
46	Louisiana	55.4
47	Kentucky	54.3
48	New Mexico	53.7
49	Alabama	53.5
50	Mississippi	52.2
51	West Virginia	50.3

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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