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Michigan regional jobless rates advance during July

LANSING, Mich. – Not seasonally adjusted unemployment rates rose in 15 of Michigan's 18 labor market areas over the month, according to data released today by the Michigan Department of Technology, Management & Budget.

"Unemployment rate gains across Michigan regions were typical for July," said Wayne Rourke, labor market information director for the Michigan Center for Data and Analytics. "Seasonal cuts in the state's government sector contributed to payroll employment decreases throughout most metro areas."

Michigan regional unemployment rates ranged from 5.0 to 7.9 percent in July, with a median rate gain of 0.3 percentage points. The largest rate increase occurred in the Detroit-Warren-Dearborn metropolitan statistical area (MSA), with an unemployment rate gain of 1.2 percentage points. The Northwest Lower Michigan region exhibited a minor jobless rate decrease over the month, and unemployment rates remained unchanged in the Niles and Traverse City MSAs since June.

Sixteen Michigan labor market areas demonstrated unemployment rate advances over the year, with a median rate gain of 0.7 percentage points. The Flint metro area exhibited the largest rate gain of 1.2 percentage points over the year.

Total employment mixed over month, down over year

Total employment receded in nine Michigan labor market areas over the month, with a median reduction of 0.7 percent. Eight labor market areas exhibited employment increases since June. Employment was unchanged in the Niles MSA over the month.

Seventeen Michigan regions demonstrated employment reductions over the year, with a median decrease of 2.2 percent. The Detroit metro area was the only region to exhibit an increase in employment over the year.

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Regional labor force levels mixed over month, down over year

Regional workforce levels advanced in nine Michigan labor market areas over the month, with a median increase of 0.8 percent. Labor force levels fell in eight regions over the month and remained unchanged in the Niles MSA.

Regional workforce levels declined in 15 regions over the year, with a median reduction of 1.7 percent. The largest over-the-year labor force decrease occurred in the Traverse City MSA (-4.0 percent).

Regional nonfarm employment decreases in July

According to the monthly survey of employers, Michigan not seasonally adjusted payroll jobs fell by 55,000, or 1.2 percent, during July. The largest employment decreases occurred in the government (-26,000) and professional and business services (-21,000) sectors.

Payroll jobs decreased in 14 of Michigan's 15 metro areas over the month, with a median reduction of 1.1 percent. The most pronounced over-the-month employment decrease occurred in the Monroe MSA (-2.5 percent).

Michigan total nonfarm employment rose by 64,000, or 1.4 percent, over the year. Thirteen metro areas exhibited payroll job gains since July 2024, with a median increase of 1.2 percent.

County unemployment rates up over month and year

Fifty-five Michigan counties demonstrated unemployment rate increases over the month, with a median rate advance of 0.4 percentage points. Jobless rates rose in 73 Michigan counties since July 2024.

Note: Data in this release is not seasonally adjusted. As a result, employment and unemployment trends may differ from previously released Michigan seasonally adjusted data.

A breakdown of not seasonally adjusted July workforce estimates for Michigan and its 18 major labor market areas follows, along with a ranking of county jobless rates for July.

Note to editors: Please ensure that the source for state unemployment rates reads "Michigan Department of Technology, Management & Budget."

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Ann Arbor MSA (Washtenaw County)

	Jul. 2025	Jun. 2025	Jul. 2024	Over the Month		Over the Year	
				Numeric	Percent	Numeric	Percent
Civilian Labor Force	208,600	208,900	211,100	-300	-0.1%	-2,500	-1.2%
Employed	197,500	198,000	200,700	-500	-0.3%	-3,200	-1.6%
Unemployed	11,100	10,900	10,400	200	1.8%	700	6.7%
Unemployment Rate	5.3	5.2	4.9	0.1	XXX	0.4	XXX

Battle Creek MSA (Calhoun County)

	Jul. 2025	Jun. 2025	Jul. 2024	Over the Month		Over the Year	
				Numeric	Percent	Numeric	Percent
Civilian Labor Force	64,300	64,400	65,000	-100	-0.2%	-700	-1.1%
Employed	59,600	60,000	60,800	-400	-0.7%	-1,200	-2.0%
Unemployed	4,800	4,300	4,200	500	11.6%	600	14.3%
Unemployment Rate	7.4	6.7	6.5	0.7	XXX	0.9	XXX

Bay City MSA (Bay County)

	Jul. 2025	Jun. 2025	Jul. 2024	Over the Month		Over the Year	
				Numeric	Percent	Numeric	Percent
Civilian Labor Force	50,500	50,300	51,400	200	0.4%	-900	-1.8%
Employed	46,900	46,800	48,100	100	0.2%	-1,200	-2.5%
Unemployed	3,600	3,500	3,200	100	2.9%	400	12.5%
Unemployment Rate	7.1	7.0	6.3	0.1	XXX	0.8	XXX

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Detroit-Warren-Dearborn MSA

(Wayne, Oakland, Macomb, Lapeer, Livingston, and St. Clair counties)

(Data in Thousands)

	Jul. 2025	Jun. 2025	Jul. 2024	Over the Month		Over the Year	
				Numeric	Percent	Numeric	Percent
Civilian Labor Force	2,243	2,206	2,213	37	1.7%	30	1.4%
Employed	2,116	2,107	2,086	9	0.4%	30	1.4%
Unemployed	127	99	127	28	28.3%	0	0.0%
Unemployment Rate	5.7	4.5	5.7	1.2	XXX	0.0	XXX

Flint MSA (Genesee County)

	Jul. 2025	Jun. 2025	Jul. 2024	Over the Month		Over the Year	
				Numeric	Percent	Numeric	Percent
Civilian Labor Force	192,400	190,900	193,900	1,500	0.8%	-1,500	-0.8%
Employed	177,300	177,100	180,900	200	0.1%	-3,600	-2.0%
Unemployed	15,200	13,800	13,000	1,400	10.1%	2,200	16.9%
Unemployment Rate	7.9	7.2	6.7	0.7	XXX	1.2	XXX

Grand Rapids - Wyoming - Kentwood MSA (Barry, Ionia, Kent, Montcalm, and Ottawa counties)

	Jul. 2025	Jun. 2025	Jul. 2024	Over the Month		Over the Year	
				Numeric	Percent	Numeric	Percent
Civilian Labor Force	624,800	626,300	634,900	-1,500	-0.2%	-10,100	-1.6%
Employed	590,400	593,200	603,400	-2,800	-0.5%	-13,000	-2.2%
Unemployed	34,400	33,100	31,600	1,300	3.9%	2,800	8.9%
Unemployment Rate	5.5	5.3	5.0	0.2	XXX	0.5	XXX

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Jackson MSA (Jackson County)

	Jul. 2025	Jun. 2025	Jul. 2024	Over the Month		Over the Year	
				Numeric	Percent	Numeric	Percent
Civilian Labor Force	74,300	75,100	75,400	-800	-1.1%	-1,100	-1.5%
Employed	69,400	70,400	71,000	-1,000	-1.4%	-1,600	-2.3%
Unemployed	4,800	4,700	4,400	100	2.1%	400	9.1%
Unemployment Rate	6.5	6.2	5.9	0.3	XXX	0.6	XXX

Kalamazoo - Portage MSA (Kalamazoo County)

	Jul. 2025	Jun. 2025	Jul. 2024	Over the Month		Over the Year	
				Numeric	Percent	Numeric	Percent
Civilian Labor Force	138,900	140,400	140,900	-1,500	-1.1%	-2,000	-1.4%
Employed	130,700	132,500	133,600	-1,800	-1.4%	-2,900	-2.2%
Unemployed	8,200	7,900	7,200	300	3.8%	1,000	13.9%
Unemployment Rate	5.9	5.6	5.1	0.3	XXX	0.8	XXX

Lansing - East Lansing MSA (Clinton, Eaton, and Ingham counties)

	Jul. 2025	Jun. 2025	Jul. 2024	Over the Month		Over the Year	
				Numeric	Percent	Numeric	Percent
Civilian Labor Force	252,400	252,700	253,000	-300	-0.1%	-600	-0.2%
Employed	236,200	238,200	239,700	-2,000	-0.8%	-3,500	-1.5%
Unemployed	16,100	14,500	13,400	1,600	11.0%	2,700	20.1%
Unemployment Rate	6.4	5.7	5.3	0.7	XXX	1.1	XXX

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Midland MSA (Midland County)

	Jul. 2025	Jun. 2025	Jul. 2024	Over the Month		Over the Year	
				Numeric	Percent	Numeric	Percent
Civilian Labor Force	42,900	43,000	43,900	-100	-0.2%	-1,000	-2.3%
Employed	40,400	40,500	41,700	-100	-0.2%	-1,300	-3.1%
Unemployed	2,500	2,400	2,300	100	4.2%	200	8.7%
Unemployment Rate	5.8	5.7	5.1	0.1	XXX	0.7	XXX

Monroe MSA (Monroe County)

	Jul. 2025	Jun. 2025	Jul. 2024	Over the Month		Over the Year	
				Numeric	Percent	Numeric	Percent
Civilian Labor Force	78,300	78,500	80,600	-200	-0.3%	-2,300	-2.9%
Employed	73,200	73,800	74,700	-600	-0.8%	-1,500	-2.0%
Unemployed	5,100	4,700	5,900	400	8.5%	-800	-13.6%
Unemployment Rate	6.6	6.0	7.3	0.6	XXX	-0.7	XXX

Muskegon–Norton Shores MSA (Muskegon County)

	Jul. 2025	Jun. 2025	Jul. 2024	Over the Month		Over the Year	
				Numeric	Percent	Numeric	Percent
Civilian Labor Force	86,700	86,200	88,300	500	0.6%	-1,600	-1.8%
Employed	80,700	80,500	82,900	200	0.2%	-2,200	-2.7%
Unemployed	6,000	5,700	5,300	300	5.3%	700	13.2%
Unemployment Rate	7.0	6.7	6.0	0.3	XXX	1.0	XXX

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Niles MSA (Berrien County)

	Jul. 2025	Jun. 2025	Jul. 2024	Over the Month		Over the Year	
				Numeric	Percent	Numeric	Percent
Civilian Labor Force	77,100	77,100	79,000	0	0.0%	-1,900	-2.4%
Employed	72,200	72,200	74,400	0	0.0%	-2,200	-3.0%
Unemployed	4,900	4,800	4,600	100	2.1%	300	6.5%
Unemployment Rate	6.3	6.3	5.8	0.0	XXX	0.5	XXX

Saginaw MSA (Saginaw County)

	Jul. 2025	Jun. 2025	Jul. 2024	Over the Month		Over the Year	
				Numeric	Percent	Numeric	Percent
Civilian Labor Force	84,900	84,700	86,400	200	0.2%	-1,500	-1.7%
Employed	78,300	78,500	80,500	-200	-0.3%	-2,200	-2.7%
Unemployed	6,500	6,200	5,900	300	4.8%	600	10.2%
Unemployment Rate	7.7	7.3	6.9	0.4	XXX	0.8	XXX

Traverse City MSA

(Benzie, Grand Traverse, Kalkaska, and Leelanau counties)

	Jul. 2025	Jun. 2025	Jul. 2024	Over the Month		Over the Year	
				Numeric	Percent	Numeric	Percent
Civilian Labor Force	85,000	83,700	88,500	1,300	1.6%	-3,500	-4.0%
Employed	80,700	79,500	84,700	1,200	1.5%	-4,000	-4.7%
Unemployed	4,300	4,200	3,800	100	2.4%	500	13.2%
Unemployment Rate	5.0	5.0	4.3	0.0	XXX	0.7	XXX

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Upper Peninsula Labor Market Area (LMA) (15 counties)

	Jul. 2025	Jun. 2025	Jul. 2024	Over the Month		Over the Year	
				Numeric	Percent	Numeric	Percent
Civilian Labor Force	145,500	144,300	145,400	1,200	0.8%	100	0.1%
Employed	135,800	134,700	136,400	1,100	0.8%	-600	-0.4%
Unemployed	9,700	9,600	9,000	100	1.0%	700	7.8%
Unemployment Rate	6.7	6.6	6.2	0.1	XXX	0.5	XXX

Northeast Lower Michigan LMA

(Alcona, Alpena, Cheboygan, Crawford, Iosco, Montmorency, Ogemaw, Oscoda, Otsego, Presque Isle, and Roscommon counties)

	Jul. 2025	Jun. 2025	Jul. 2024	Over the Month		Over the Year	
				Numeric	Percent	Numeric	Percent
Civilian Labor Force	91,600	90,400	91,200	1,200	1.3%	400	0.4%
Employed	84,700	83,800	84,900	900	1.1%	-200	-0.2%
Unemployed	6,900	6,600	6,300	300	4.5%	600	9.5%
Unemployment Rate	7.5	7.3	7.0	0.2	XXX	0.5	XXX

Northwest Lower Michigan LMA

(Antrim, Charlevoix, Emmet, Benzie, Grand Traverse, Kalkaska, Leelanau, Manistee, Missaukee, and Wexford counties)

	Jul. 2025	Jun. 2025	Jul. 2024	Over the Month		Over the Year	
				Numeric	Percent	Numeric	Percent
Civilian Labor Force	166,100	163,400	170,900	2,700	1.7%	-4,800	-2.8%
Employed	156,900	154,300	162,400	2,600	1.7%	-5,500	-3.4%
Unemployed	9,200	9,100	8,500	100	1.1%	700	8.2%
Unemployment Rate	5.5	5.6	5.0	-0.1	XXX	0.5	XXX

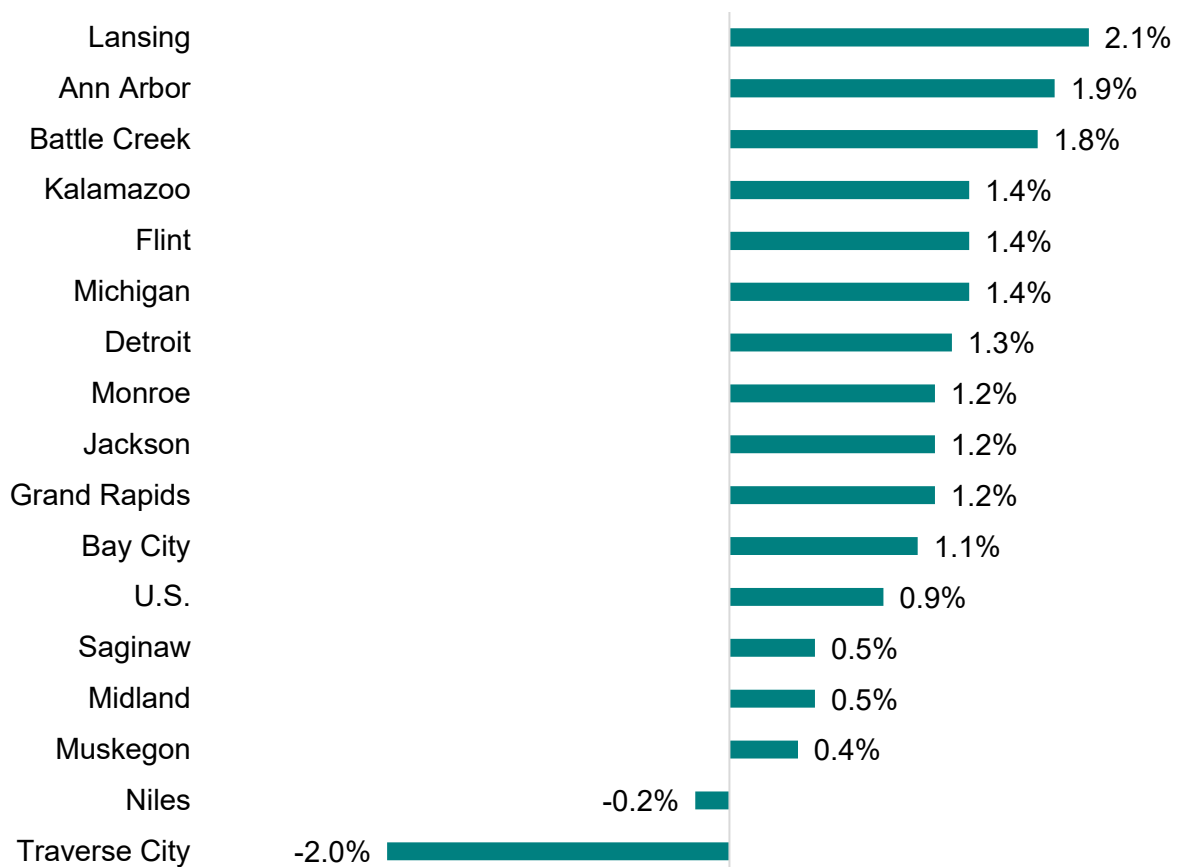
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Michigan (Data in Thousands)

	Jul. 2025	Jun. 2025	Jul. 2024	Over the Month		Over the Year	
				Numeric	Percent	Numeric	Percent
Civilian Labor Force	5,132	5,088	5,138	44	0.9%	-6	-0.1%
Employed	4,821	4,815	4,844	6	0.1%	-23	-0.5%
Unemployed	310	273	295	37	13.6%	15	5.1%
Unemployment Rate	6.0	5.4	5.7	0.6	XXX	0.3	XXX

Metro Area Over-the-Year Payroll Jobs Change, July 2025

Not Seasonally Adjusted



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Michigan counties ranked by unemployment rate - July 2025

1	Livingston County	4.1	43	Monroe County	6.6
2	Mackinac County	4.1	44	Newaygo County	6.6
3	Oakland County	4.5	45	Shiawassee County	6.6
4	Grand Traverse County	4.7	46	Ingham County	6.7
5	Charlevoix County	5.0	47	Manistee County	6.8
6	Leelanau County	5.2	48	Wayne County	6.9
7	Ottawa County	5.2	49	Gogebic County	7.0
8	Lapeer County	5.3	50	Muskegon County	7.0
9	Washtenaw County	5.3	51	Bay County	7.1
10	Allegan County	5.4	52	Chippewa County	7.1
11	Clinton County	5.5	53	Gratiot County	7.1
12	Kent County	5.5	54	Wexford County	7.1
13	Benzie County	5.6	55	Alger County	7.2
14	Branch County	5.6	56	Crawford County	7.2
15	Macomb County	5.6	57	Gladwin County	7.3
16	St. Clair County	5.6	58	St. Joseph County	7.3
17	Emmet County	5.7	59	Calhoun County	7.4
18	Menominee County	5.7	60	Delta County	7.4
19	Midland County	5.8	61	Tuscola County	7.4
20	Barry County	5.9	62	Arenac County	7.5
21	Cheboygan County	5.9	63	Oceana County	7.5
22	Ionia County	5.9	64	Osceola County	7.5
23	Kalamazoo County	5.9	65	Huron County	7.6
24	Antrim County	6.0	66	Montmorency County	7.6
25	Missaukee County	6.1	67	Saginaw County	7.7
26	Dickinson County	6.2	68	Mecosta County	7.8
27	Keweenaw County	6.2	69	Genesee County	7.9
28	Otsego County	6.2	70	Sanilac County	7.9
29	Van Buren County	6.2	71	Schoolcraft County	7.9
30	Berrien County	6.3	72	Iron County	8.0
31	Lenawee County	6.3	73	Lake County	8.0
32	Marquette County	6.3	74	Luce County	8.0
33	Alpena County	6.4	75	Roscommon County	8.0
34	Cass County	6.4	76	Baraga County	8.1
35	Eaton County	6.4	77	Iosco County	8.3
36	Hillsdale County	6.4	78	Ontonagon County	8.4
37	Montcalm County	6.4	79	Clare County	8.6
38	Jackson County	6.5	80	Presque Isle County	8.9
39	Kalkaska County	6.5	81	Ogemaw County	9.3
40	Houghton County	6.6	82	Alcona County	9.6
41	Isabella County	6.6	83	Oscoda County	11.4
42	Mason County	6.6			

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