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Michigan regional unemployment rates decrease in July

LANSING, Mich. – Not seasonally adjusted unemployment rates fell in 11 Michigan labor market areas over the month, according to data released today by the Michigan Department of Technology, Management & Budget.

“Michigan’s labor market was stable in July,” said Wayne Rourke, associate director of the Bureau of Labor Market Information and Strategic Initiatives. “Modest jobless rate reductions occurred throughout multiple regions over the month.”

Regional jobless rates in the state ranged from 3.5 to 6.7 percent in July. Most rate reductions were minor, with a median decrease of 0.1 percentage points. Jobless rates in the Flint and Lansing metropolitan statistical areas (MSAs) advanced over the month, and rates in the Battle Creek, Jackson, Muskegon, and Saginaw MSAs remained unchanged since June.

Jobless rates fell in all 17 Michigan labor market areas over the year, with a median decrease of 1.6 percentage points.

Regional employment mixed over month, up over year

Ten Michigan labor market areas demonstrated employment gains over the month, with a median increase of 0.6 percent. The Northwest Lower Michigan region exhibited the most prominent employment advance, with a seasonal increase of 2.0 percent since June. Seven regions showed employment reductions between June and July, with a median decrease of 0.4 percent.

All 17 Michigan regions displayed employment advances over the year, with a median increase of 4.0 percent. The Ann Arbor metro region exhibited the largest employment increase since July 2021 (+5.6 percent).

Regional labor force levels mixed over month, up over year

Ten Michigan labor market areas exhibited workforce increases over the month, with a median advance of 0.4 percent. The largest labor force gain occurred in the Northwest Lower Michigan region (+1.6 percent). Workforce levels decreased in six metro areas during July, led by the Jackson MSA (-1.1 percent). Midland's labor force was unchanged since June.

Sixteen Michigan labor market areas exhibited workforce advances over the year, with a median increase of 1.9 percent.

Payroll jobs decrease across multiple regions during July

The monthly survey of employers indicated that Michigan not seasonally adjusted payroll employment receded by 29,000 over the month, or 0.7 percent, resulting in a July nonfarm job total of 4,356,000. Reductions were primarily situated in the state's government (-26,000) and professional and business services (-14,000) sectors. Job reductions occurred in the Michigan manufacturing sector (-6,000), largely due to seasonal auto layoff activity in July.

Twelve Michigan metro areas displayed job reductions over the month, with a median decrease of 1.3 percent. The most prominent over-the-month decline of 3.0 percent occurred in the Monroe MSA. Total nonfarm jobs edged up in the Ann Arbor MSA and remained unchanged in the Bay City metro area.

Michigan payroll employment rose by 148,000 over the year, or 3.5 percent. Thirteen metro areas demonstrated nonfarm job increases, with a median advance of 1.6 percent since July 2021.

County unemployment rates decrease over month and year

Sixty Michigan counties exhibited jobless rate reductions between June and July. Jobless rates fell in 82 counties over the year.

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 17 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."

Ann Arbor MSA (Washtenaw County)

	July 2022	June 2022	July 2021	Over the Month		Over the Year	
				Numeric	Percent	Numeric	Percent
Civilian Labor Force	196,500	195,000	189,000	1,500	0.8%	7,500	4.0%
Employed	188,600	187,000	178,600	1,600	0.9%	10,000	5.6%
Unemployed	7,900	8,000	10,400	-100	-1.3%	-2,500	-24.0%
Unemployment Rate	4.0	4.1	5.5	-0.1	XXX	-1.5	XXX

Battle Creek MSA (Calhoun County)

	July 2022	June 2022	July 2021	Over the Month		Over the Year	
				Numeric	Percent	Numeric	Percent
Civilian Labor Force	60,600	60,800	59,500	-200	-0.3%	1,100	1.8%
Employed	57,200	57,400	54,800	-200	-0.3%	2,400	4.4%
Unemployed	3,400	3,400	4,700	0	0.0%	-1,300	-27.7%
Unemployment Rate	5.6	5.6	7.8	0.0	XXX	-2.2	XXX

Bay City MSA (Bay County)

	July 2022	June 2022	July 2021	Over the Month		Over the Year	
				Numeric	Percent	Numeric	Percent
Civilian Labor Force	49,500	49,300	48,700	200	0.4%	800	1.6%
Employed	46,800	46,500	45,400	300	0.6%	1,400	3.1%
Unemployed	2,700	2,800	3,300	-100	-3.6%	-600	-18.2%
Unemployment Rate	5.5	5.6	6.7	-0.1	XXX	-1.2	XXX

Detroit-Warren-Dearborn MSA

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

(Data in Thousands)

	July 2022	June 2022	July 2021	Over the Month		Over the Year	
				Numeric	Percent	Numeric	Percent
Civilian Labor Force	2,129	2,119	2,150	10	0.5%	-21	-1.0%
Employed	2,055	2,021	1,992	34	1.7%	63	3.2%
Unemployed	74	98	158	-24	-24.5%	-84	-53.2%
Unemployment Rate	3.5	4.6	7.4	-1.1	XXX	-3.9	XXX

Flint MSA (Genesee County)

	July 2022	June 2022	July 2021	Over the Month		Over the Year	
				Numeric	Percent	Numeric	Percent
Civilian Labor Force	179,400	179,600	176,300	-200	-0.1%	3,100	1.8%
Employed	167,500	167,900	161,000	-400	-0.2%	6,500	4.0%
Unemployed	12,000	11,700	15,300	300	2.6%	-3,300	-21.6%
Unemployment Rate	6.7	6.5	8.7	0.2	XXX	-2.0	XXX

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

	July 2022	June 2022	July 2021	Over the Month		Over the Year	
				Numeric	Percent	Numeric	Percent
Civilian Labor Force	587,000	584,400	566,500	2,600	0.4%	20,500	3.6%
Employed	565,000	561,600	536,100	3,400	0.6%	28,900	5.4%
Unemployed	22,000	22,900	30,400	-900	-3.9%	-8,400	-27.6%
Unemployment Rate	3.8	3.9	5.4	-0.1	XXX	-1.6	XXX

Jackson MSA (Jackson County)

	July 2022	June 2022	July 2021	Over the Month		Over the Year	
				Numeric	Percent	Numeric	Percent
Civilian Labor Force	73,000	73,800	72,100	-800	-1.1%	900	1.2%
Employed	69,400	70,100	67,400	-700	-1.0%	2,000	3.0%
Unemployed	3,700	3,700	4,800	0	0.0%	-1,100	-22.9%
Unemployment Rate	5.0	5.0	6.6	0.0	XXX	-1.6	XXX

Kalamazoo - Portage MSA (Kalamazoo and Van Buren counties)

	July 2022	June 2022	July 2021	Over the Month		Over the Year	
				Numeric	Percent	Numeric	Percent
Civilian Labor Force	166,400	167,300	162,800	-900	-0.5%	3,600	2.2%
Employed	158,900	159,500	152,800	-600	-0.4%	6,100	4.0%
Unemployed	7,500	7,700	10,000	-200	-2.6%	-2,500	-25.0%
Unemployment Rate	4.5	4.6	6.1	-0.1	XXX	-1.6	XXX

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

	July 2022	June 2022	July 2021	Over the Month		Over the Year	
				Numeric	Percent	Numeric	Percent
Civilian Labor Force	241,000	240,700	233,000	300	0.1%	8,000	3.4%
Employed	227,600	229,500	218,400	-1,900	-0.8%	9,200	4.2%
Unemployed	13,400	11,200	14,600	2,200	19.6%	-1,200	-8.2%
Unemployment Rate	5.5	4.7	6.3	0.8	XXX	-0.8	XXX

Midland MSA (Midland County)

	July 2022	June 2022	July 2021	Over the Month		Over the Year	
				Numeric	Percent	Numeric	Percent
Civilian Labor Force	39,400	39,400	38,600	0	0.0%	800	2.1%
Employed	37,600	37,500	36,500	100	0.3%	1,100	3.0%
Unemployed	1,800	1,900	2,100	-100	-5.3%	-300	-14.3%
Unemployment Rate	4.6	4.8	5.5	-0.2	XXX	-0.9	XXX

Monroe MSA (Monroe County)

	July 2022	June 2022	July 2021	Over the Month		Over the Year	
				Numeric	Percent	Numeric	Percent
Civilian Labor Force	74,400	75,000	73,400	-600	-0.8%	1,000	1.4%
Employed	70,400	70,800	67,600	-400	-0.6%	2,800	4.1%
Unemployed	4,000	4,200	5,800	-200	-4.8%	-1,800	-31.0%
Unemployment Rate	5.4	5.5	8.0	-0.1	XXX	-2.6	XXX

Muskegon MSA (Muskegon County)

	July 2022	June 2022	July 2021	Over the Month		Over the Year	
				Numeric	Percent	Numeric	Percent
Civilian Labor Force	78,400	78,200	77,100	200	0.3%	1,300	1.7%
Employed	73,500	73,400	70,400	100	0.1%	3,100	4.4%
Unemployed	4,900	4,800	6,700	100	2.1%	-1,800	-26.9%
Unemployment Rate	6.2	6.2	8.7	0.0	XXX	-2.5	XXX

Niles - Benton Harbor MSA (Berrien County)

	July 2022	June 2022	July 2021	Over the Month		Over the Year	
				Numeric	Percent	Numeric	Percent
Civilian Labor Force	72,100	72,400	71,400	-300	-0.4%	700	1.0%
Employed	68,500	68,700	66,600	-200	-0.3%	1,900	2.9%
Unemployed	3,600	3,700	4,700	-100	-2.7%	-1,100	-23.4%
Unemployment Rate	5.0	5.1	6.6	-0.1	XXX	-1.6	XXX

Saginaw MSA (Saginaw County)

	July 2022	June 2022	July 2021	Over the Month		Over the Year	
				Numeric	Percent	Numeric	Percent
Civilian Labor Force	83,100	82,500	82,100	600	0.7%	1,000	1.2%
Employed	77,600	77,100	75,500	500	0.6%	2,100	2.8%
Unemployed	5,400	5,400	6,600	0	0.0%	-1,200	-18.2%
Unemployment Rate	6.5	6.5	8.0	0.0	XXX	-1.5	XXX

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

	July 2022	June 2022	July 2021	Over the Month		Over the Year	
				Numeric	Percent	Numeric	Percent
Civilian Labor Force	135,200	135,000	132,700	200	0.1%	2,500	1.9%
Employed	128,100	127,600	124,700	500	0.4%	3,400	2.7%
Unemployed	7,100	7,400	8,000	-300	-4.1%	-900	-11.3%
Unemployment Rate	5.2	5.5	6.0	-0.3	XXX	-0.8	XXX

Northeast Lower Michigan LMA

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

	July 2022	June 2022	July 2021	Over the Month		Over the Year	
				Numeric	Percent	Numeric	Percent
Civilian Labor Force	84,800	84,600	82,300	200	0.2%	2,500	3.0%
Employed	79,500	79,100	76,200	400	0.5%	3,300	4.3%
Unemployed	5,300	5,500	6,000	-200	-3.6%	-700	-11.7%
Unemployment Rate	6.2	6.5	7.3	-0.3	XXX	-1.1	XXX

Northwest Lower Michigan LMA

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

	July 2022	June 2022	July 2021	Over the Month		Over the Year	
				Numeric	Percent	Numeric	Percent
Civilian Labor Force	158,200	155,700	152,600	2,500	1.6%	5,600	3.7%
Employed	151,300	148,400	143,600	2,900	2.0%	7,700	5.4%
Unemployed	6,900	7,300	9,000	-400	-5.5%	-2,100	-23.3%
Unemployment Rate	4.4	4.7	5.9	-0.3	XXX	-1.5	XXX

Michigan (Data in Thousands)

	July 2022	June 2022	July 2021	Over the Month		Over the Year	
				Numeric	Percent	Numeric	Percent
Civilian Labor Force	4,891	4,877	4,842	14	0.3%	49	1.0%
Employed	4,681	4,643	4,512	38	0.8%	169	3.7%
Unemployed	210	234	331	-24	-10.3%	-121	-36.6%
Unemployment Rate	4.3	4.8	6.8	-0.5	XXX	-2.5	XXX

Michigan counties ranked by unemployment rate - July 2022

1	Livingston County	2.2	43	Antrim County	5.3
2	Oakland County	2.5	44	Gratiot County	5.3
3	Mackinac County	2.9	45	Isabella County	5.3
4	Macomb County	3.2	46	St. Joseph County	5.3
5	St. Clair County	3.2	47	Iron County	5.4
6	Lapeer County	3.3	48	Monroe County	5.4
7	Ottawa County	3.4	49	Sanilac County	5.4
8	Grand Traverse County	3.5	50	Bay County	5.5
9	Allegan County	3.7	51	Kalkaska County	5.5
10	Kent County	3.8	52	Lenawee County	5.5
11	Leelanau County	3.8	53	Manistee County	5.5
12	Barry County	3.9	54	Calhoun County	5.6
13	Washtenaw County	4.0	55	Delta County	5.6
14	Charlevoix County	4.1	56	Ingham County	5.6
15	Cheboygan County	4.1	57	Luce County	5.8
16	Dickinson County	4.2	58	Mecosta County	5.8
17	Menominee County	4.2	59	Otsego County	5.8
18	Kalamazoo County	4.3	60	Tuscola County	5.8
19	Benzie County	4.5	61	Eaton County	6.0
20	Branch County	4.5	62	Chippewa County	6.1
21	Cass County	4.5	63	Keweenaw County	6.2
22	Ionia County	4.5	64	Muskegon County	6.2
23	Midland County	4.6	65	Oceana County	6.3
24	Clinton County	4.7	66	Gladwin County	6.4
25	Emmet County	4.7	67	Iosco County	6.4
26	Osceola County	4.7	68	Saginaw County	6.5
27	Wayne County	4.7	69	Crawford County	6.6
28	Hillsdale County	4.8	70	Presque Isle County	6.6
29	Huron County	4.8	71	Alcona County	6.7
30	Newaygo County	4.8	72	Alger County	6.7
31	Alpena County	4.9	73	Genesee County	6.7
32	Montcalm County	4.9	74	Ogemaw County	6.9
33	Berrien County	5.0	75	Lake County	7.0
34	Jackson County	5.0	76	Arenac County	7.1
35	Mason County	5.0	77	Ontonagon County	7.2
36	Missaukee County	5.0	78	Schoolcraft County	7.2
37	Houghton County	5.1	79	Baraga County	7.4
38	Marquette County	5.1	80	Clare County	7.5
39	Van Buren County	5.1	81	Montmorency County	7.9
40	Gogebic County	5.2	82	Roscommon County	8.7
41	Shiawassee County	5.2	83	Oscoda County	9.1
42	Wexford County	5.2			