

September 2018 Ranking of Ohio County Unemployment Rates

(Not Seasonally Adjusted)

Among the state's 88 counties, preliminary September 2018 unemployment rates ranged from a low of 2.5 percent in Mercer County to a high of 6.0 percent in Monroe County. From August, unemployment rates decreased in all 88 counties. The comparable unemployment rate for Ohio was 4.1 percent in September. (See table on next page.)

Five counties had unemployment rates at or below 3.0 percent in September. The counties with the lowest rates, other than Mercer were: Putnam, 2.8 percent; Wyandot, 2.9 percent; and Auglaize and Holmes, 3.0 percent.

Seven counties had unemployment rates at or above 5.5 percent in September. The counties with the highest rates, other than Monroe were: Adams, 5.9 percent; Scioto, 5.8 percent; Trumbull, 5.7 percent; Meigs and Pike, 5.6 percent; and Jefferson, 5.5 percent.

EDITOR'S NOTE: These estimates, prepared in cooperation with the Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, are based on 2017 benchmark and geared to county of residence. Unemployment rates for all Ohio counties as well as cities with populations of 50,000 or more are presented in the monthly ODJFS *Civilian Labor Force Estimates* publication. For updated statewide historical data, visit <http://ohiolmi.com/asp/laus/vbLaus.htm>, or contact the Bureau of Labor Market Information at (614) 752-9494.

October 2018 unemployment rates and nonagricultural wage and salary data for Ohio will be released by ODJFS on Friday, November 16, 2018. Unemployment rates for counties, cities, and metropolitan areas will be available on Tuesday, November 20, 2018. This information and the monthly statistical summaries they are based on are available at <http://ohiolmi.com/laus/releases.htm>.

Ranking Report
Ohio Unemployment Rates by County
September 2018

Rank^a	County	Unemployment Rate	Rank^a	County	Unemployment Rate
1	Monroe County	6.0	45	Morrow County	4.0
2	Adams County	5.9	46	Ross County	3.9
3	Scioto County	5.8	47	Portage County	3.9
4	Trumbull County	5.7	48	Lake County	3.9
5	Meigs County	5.6	49	Tuscarawas County	3.9
6	Pike County	5.6	50	Hamilton County	3.9
7	Jefferson County	5.5	51	Butler County	3.9
8	Jackson County	5.4	52	Defiance County	3.9
9	Mahoning County	5.3	53	Ashland County	3.8
10	Coshocton County	5.2	54	Seneca County	3.8
11	Athens County	5.0	55	Sandusky County	3.8
12	Noble County	5.0	56	Knox County	3.8
13	Lawrence County	5.0	57	Henry County	3.8
14	Gallia County	4.9	58	Greene County	3.8
15	Vinton County	4.9	59	Fayette County	3.7
16	Lucas County	4.9	60	Clermont County	3.7
17	Highland County	4.8	61	Wood County	3.7
18	Belmont County	4.7	62	Pickaway County	3.7
19	Brown County	4.7	63	Paulding County	3.7
20	Clinton County	4.7	64	Fairfield County	3.7
21	Cuyahoga County	4.7	65	Geauga County	3.7
22	Lorain County	4.6	66	Medina County	3.6
23	Perry County	4.6	67	Champaign County	3.6
24	Erie County	4.6	68	Franklin County	3.6
25	Washington County	4.6	69	Warren County	3.6
26	Columbiana County	4.6	70	Licking County	3.6
27	Crawford County	4.5	71	Preble County	3.5
28	Ashtabula County	4.5	72	Fulton County	3.5
29	Carroll County	4.5	73	Madison County	3.5
30	Harrison County	4.4	74	Miami County	3.5
31	Morgan County	4.4	75	Shelby County	3.4
32	Muskingum County	4.4	76	Darke County	3.4
33	Huron County	4.3	77	Logan County	3.3
34	Stark County	4.3	78	Wayne County	3.3
35	Ottawa County	4.2	79	Williams County	3.3
36	Guernsey County	4.2	80	Union County	3.2
37	Montgomery County	4.2	81	Van Wert County	3.2
38	Richland County	4.2	82	Delaware County	3.2
39	Hocking County	4.1	83	Hancock County	3.1
40	Marion County	4.1	84	Auglaize County	3.0
41	Clark County	4.1	85	Holmes County	3.0
42	Summit County	4.1	86	Wyandot County	2.9
43	Hardin County	4.0	87	Putnam County	2.8
44	Allen County	4.0	88	Mercer County	2.5

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^aRankings are based upon unrounded unemployment rates.

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