

May 2018 Ranking of Ohio County Unemployment Rates

(Not Seasonally Adjusted)

Among the state's 88 counties, preliminary May 2018 unemployment rates ranged from a low of 2.5 percent in Mercer County to a high of 6.5 percent in Monroe County. From April, unemployment rates decreased in 41 counties, increased in 32 counties, and did not change in fifteen counties. The comparable unemployment rate for Ohio was 4.2 percent in May. (See table on next page.)

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

Eight counties had unemployment rates at or above 5.5 percent in May. The counties with the highest rates, other than Monroe were: Meigs, 6.2 percent; Scioto, 5.8 percent; Coshocton and Jackson, 5.6 percent; and Jefferson, Noble, and Pike, 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.

June 2018 unemployment rates and nonagricultural wage and salary data for Ohio will be released by ODJFS on Friday, July 20, 2018. Unemployment rates for counties, cities, and metropolitan areas will be available on Tuesday, July 24, 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
May 2018

Rank^a	County	Unemployment Rate	Rank^a	County	Unemployment Rate
1	Monroe County	6.5	45	Henry County	4.1
2	Meigs County	6.2	46	Geauga County	4.1
3	Scioto County	5.8	47	Summit County	4.1
4	Jackson County	5.6	48	Allen County	4.1
5	Coshocton County	5.6	49	Marion County	4.0
6	Noble County	5.5	50	Sandusky County	4.0
7	Pike County	5.5	51	Tuscarawas County	3.9
8	Jefferson County	5.5	52	Ashland County	3.9
9	Adams County	5.4	53	Portage County	3.9
10	Gallia County	5.4	54	Morrow County	3.9
11	Vinton County	5.3	55	Seneca County	3.9
12	Athens County	5.2	56	Hardin County	3.9
13	Trumbull County	5.2	57	Knox County	3.8
14	Cuyahoga County	5.2	58	Hamilton County	3.7
15	Lucas County	5.1	59	Fulton County	3.7
16	Lorain County	5.1	60	Fayette County	3.7
17	Ottawa County	5.0	61	Wood County	3.7
18	Mahoning County	5.0	62	Pickaway County	3.7
19	Lawrence County	4.9	63	Butler County	3.7
20	Washington County	4.9	64	Greene County	3.7
21	Erie County	4.8	65	Preble County	3.7
22	Guernsey County	4.8	66	Champaign County	3.7
23	Belmont County	4.8	67	Paulding County	3.7
24	Morgan County	4.8	68	Clermont County	3.7
25	Highland County	4.7	69	Fairfield County	3.6
26	Clinton County	4.6	70	Miami County	3.5
27	Perry County	4.6	71	Licking County	3.5
28	Muskingum County	4.5	72	Warren County	3.5
29	Lake County	4.5	73	Franklin County	3.5
30	Carroll County	4.5	74	Shelby County	3.4
31	Ashtabula County	4.5	75	Darke County	3.4
32	Columbiana County	4.5	76	Logan County	3.3
33	Brown County	4.5	77	Williams County	3.3
34	Huron County	4.4	78	Madison County	3.2
35	Crawford County	4.4	79	Van Wert County	3.2
36	Stark County	4.4	80	Wayne County	3.2
37	Harrison County	4.4	81	Hancock County	3.1
38	Richland County	4.3	82	Delaware County	3.1
39	Clark County	4.3	83	Union County	3.1
40	Hocking County	4.2	84	Auglaize County	3.0
41	Defiance County	4.2	85	Holmes County	2.9
42	Medina County	4.2	86	Putnam County	2.9
43	Ross County	4.2	87	Wyandot County	2.9
44	Montgomery County	4.1	88	Mercer County	2.5

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^aRankings are based upon unrounded unemployment rates.

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