

# States Ranked by April 2017 Unemployment Rate

## Seasonally Adjusted

Rank	State	Unemployment Rate (%)
1	Colorado	2.3
2	Hawaii	2.7
2	North Dakota	2.7
4	New Hampshire	2.8
4	South Dakota	2.8
6	Maine	3.0
6	Nebraska	3.0
8	Iowa	3.1
8	Utah	3.1
8	Vermont	3.1
11	Wisconsin	3.2
12	Idaho	3.4
13	Arkansas	3.5
14	Indiana	3.6
15	Kansas	3.7
15	Oregon	3.7
17	Minnesota	3.8
17	Montana	3.8

Rank	State	Unemployment Rate (%)
17	Virginia	3.8
20	Massachusetts	3.9
20	Missouri	3.9
22	New Jersey	4.1
23	Maryland	4.3
<b>23</b>	<b>New York</b>	4.3
23	Oklahoma	4.3
23	Rhode Island	4.3
23	South Carolina	4.3
23	Wyoming	4.3
<b>29</b>	<b>Florida</b>	4.5
30	Delaware	4.6
30	Washington	4.6
<b>32</b>	<b>Illinois</b>	4.7
<b>32</b>	<b>Michigan</b>	4.7
32	Nevada	4.7
<b>32</b>	<b>North Carolina</b>	4.7
32	Tennessee	4.7

Rank	State	Unemployment Rate (%)
<b>37</b>	<b>California</b>	<b>4.8</b>
37	West Virginia	4.8
39	Connecticut	4.9
<b>39</b>	<b>Pennsylvania</b>	4.9
41	Arizona	5.0
<b>41</b>	<b>Georgia</b>	5.0
41	Mississippi	5.0
<b>41</b>	<b>Ohio</b>	5.0
<b>41</b>	<b>Texas</b>	5.0
46	Kentucky	5.1
47	Alabama	5.4
48	Louisiana	5.8
49	District of Columbia	5.9
50	Alaska	6.6
51	New Mexico	6.7
52	Puerto Rico	11.5

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 May 19, 2017.

# States Ranked by Annual Nonagricultural Employment Change

## April 2017, Seasonally Adjusted

Rank	State	Over-the-Year Change (Jobs)
<b>1</b>	<b>Texas</b>	<b>258,900</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>California</b>	<b>236,700</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>Florida</b>	<b>215,400</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>Georgia</b>	<b>113,600</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>New York</b>	<b>97,800</b>
6	Washington	81,700
<b>7</b>	<b>Michigan</b>	<b>73,600</b>
8	Massachusetts	58,600
9	Tennessee	57,000
<b>10</b>	<b>North Carolina</b>	<b>53,300</b>
11	Arizona	53,200
12	New Jersey	51,600
13	Minnesota	49,300
14	Utah	46,700
15	Nevada	46,200
16	Colorado	45,700
<b>17</b>	<b>Pennsylvania</b>	<b>45,300</b>
18	Maryland	45,000

Rank	State	Over-the-Year Change (Jobs)
19	Virginia	44,400
20	Oregon	42,000
21	Wisconsin	37,600
22	Missouri	36,700
<b>23</b>	<b>Ohio</b>	<b>35,900</b>
24	Kentucky	31,200
25	Indiana	31,100
26	South Carolina	28,600
27	Alabama	25,900
<b>28</b>	<b>Illinois</b>	<b>22,100</b>
29	Idaho	18,300
30	Arkansas	17,900
31	New Hampshire	12,000
32	Nebraska	11,600
33	New Mexico	9,600
34	Hawaii	9,100
35	Montana	8,100
36	Iowa	8,000

Rank	State	Over-the-Year Change (Jobs)
37	South Dakota	7,900
38	Connecticut	5,500
39	Rhode Island	5,000
40	District of Columbia	4,000
41	Maine	3,900
42	Delaware	2,700
43	Vermont	2,600
44	North Dakota	1,700
45	Mississippi	700
46	Virgin Islands	0
47	Louisiana	-1,300
48	Kansas	-2,500
48	Oklahoma	-2,500
50	West Virginia	-2,800
51	Wyoming	-4,100
52	Alaska	-7,200
53	Puerto Rico	-12,900

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# States Ranked by Annual Nonagricultural Employment Percentage Change

## April 2017, Seasonally Adjusted

Rank	State	Over-the-Year Change (%)
1	Nevada	3.6%
2	Utah	3.3%
3	Idaho	2.6%
<b>3</b>	<b>Georgia</b>	2.6%
<b>3</b>	<b>Florida</b>	2.6%
6	Washington	2.5%
7	Oregon	2.3%
<b>8</b>	<b>Texas</b>	2.2%
9	Arizona	2.0%
10	Tennessee	1.9%
11	South Dakota	1.8%
11	New Hampshire	1.8%
11	Colorado	1.8%
14	Montana	1.7%
<b>14</b>	<b>Michigan</b>	1.7%
14	Minnesota	1.7%
14	Maryland	1.7%
14	Massachusetts	1.7%

Rank	State	Over-the-Year Change (%)
19	Kentucky	1.6%
20	Arkansas	1.5%
<b>21</b>	<b>California</b>	1.4%
21	Hawaii	1.4%
21	South Carolina	1.4%
24	Alabama	1.3%
24	Missouri	1.3%
24	Wisconsin	1.3%
24	New Jersey	1.3%
<b>28</b>	<b>North Carolina</b>	1.2%
28	New Mexico	1.2%
30	Nebraska	1.1%
30	Virginia	1.1%
<b>32</b>	<b>New York</b>	1.0%
32	Rhode Island	1.0%
32	Indiana	1.0%
35	Vermont	0.8%
<b>35</b>	<b>Pennsylvania</b>	0.8%

Rank	State	Over-the-Year Change (%)
<b>37</b>	<b>Ohio</b>	0.7%
38	Maine	0.6%
38	Delaware	0.6%
40	District of Columbia	0.5%
40	Iowa	0.5%
42	North Dakota	0.4%
<b>42</b>	<b>Illinois</b>	0.4%
44	Connecticut	0.3%
45	Mississippi	0.1%
46	Virgin Islands	0.0%
47	Louisiana	-0.1%
48	Oklahoma	-0.2%
48	Kansas	-0.2%
50	West Virginia	-0.4%
51	Puerto Rico	-1.4%
51	Wyoming	-1.4%
53	Alaska	-2.1%

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# States Ranked by Labor Force Participation Rate

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- 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	72.5
2	District of Columbia	70.5
3	Utah	69.8
4	Minnesota	69.7
5	South Dakota	69.2
6	Iowa	68.9
7	New Hampshire	68.8
7	Nebraska	68.8
9	Wisconsin	68.6
10	Maryland	68.1
11	Vermont	67.4
12	Colorado	67.2
13	Kansas	67.1
13	Wyoming	67.1
13	Alaska	67.1
16	Connecticut	66.9
17	Massachusetts	66.5

Rank	State	Labor Force Participation Rate (%)
18	Virginia	65.4
<b>19</b>	<b>Illinois</b>	<b>64.8</b>
20	Missouri	64.7
21	Indiana	64.6
21	Rhode Island	64.6
<b>23</b>	<b>Texas</b>	<b>64.1</b>
24	Maine	64.0
25	Hawaii	63.7
25	Idaho	63.7
27	New Jersey	63.6
27	Washington	63.6
29	Montana	63.2
<b>30</b>	<b>Pennsylvania</b>	<b>63.1</b>
<b>30</b>	<b>Georgia</b>	<b>63.1</b>
<b>30</b>	<b>Ohio</b>	<b>63.1</b>
33	Oregon	62.8
34	Delaware	62.5

Rank	State	Labor Force Participation Rate (%)
<b>35</b>	<b>Michigan</b>	<b>62.1</b>
<b>35</b>	<b>California</b>	<b>62.1</b>
<b>37</b>	<b>North Carolina</b>	<b>62.0</b>
38	Nevada	61.8
39	Oklahoma	61.1
39	Arizona	61.1
<b>41</b>	<b>New York</b>	<b>61.0</b>
42	Tennessee	60.8
<b>43</b>	<b>Florida</b>	<b>60.2</b>
44	Kentucky	60.0
45	South Carolina	59.4
46	Louisiana	59.0
47	Arkansas	58.0
47	New Mexico	58.0
49	Alabama	57.7
50	Mississippi	57.0
51	West Virginia	53.1

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# States Ranked by Employment to Population Ratio

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- 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	70.5
2	Utah	67.6
3	South Dakota	67.2
4	Minnesota	67.1
5	Iowa	66.8
5	New Hampshire	66.8
7	Nebraska	66.7
8	Wisconsin	66.4
9	District of Columbia	66.3
10	Colorado	65.6
11	Vermont	65.3
12	Maryland	65.2
13	Kansas	64.6
14	Wyoming	64.2
15	Massachusetts	63.9
16	Connecticut	63.6
17	Virginia	63.0

Rank	State	Employment to Population Ratio (%)
18	Alaska	62.7
19	Indiana	62.3
20	Missouri	62.2
21	Maine	62.1
22	Hawaii	62.0
<b>23</b>	<b>Illinois</b>	<b>61.8</b>
23	Rhode Island	61.8
25	Idaho	61.5
26	New Jersey	61.0
<b>27</b>	<b>Texas</b>	<b>60.9</b>
28	Montana	60.8
29	Washington	60.7
30	Oregon	60.5
<b>31</b>	<b>Pennsylvania</b>	<b>60.0</b>
<b>31</b>	<b>Georgia</b>	<b>60.0</b>
<b>31</b>	<b>Ohio</b>	<b>60.0</b>
34	Delaware	59.6

Rank	State	Employment to Population Ratio (%)
<b>35</b>	<b>Michigan</b>	<b>59.1</b>
<b>35</b>	<b>California</b>	<b>59.1</b>
<b>35</b>	<b>North Carolina</b>	<b>59.1</b>
38	Nevada	58.9
39	Oklahoma	58.5
<b>40</b>	<b>New York</b>	<b>58.3</b>
41	Arizona	58.1
42	Tennessee	57.9
<b>43</b>	<b>Florida</b>	<b>57.4</b>
44	Kentucky	57.0
45	South Carolina	56.8
46	Arkansas	56.0
47	Louisiana	55.5
48	Alabama	54.5
49	Mississippi	54.2
50	New Mexico	54.1
51	West Virginia	50.6

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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