

States Ranked by September 2017 Unemployment Rate Seasonally Adjusted

Rank	State	Unemployment Rate (%)
1	North Dakota	2.4
2	Colorado	2.5
2	Hawaii	2.5
4	New Hampshire	2.7
5	Idaho	2.8
5	Nebraska	2.8
7	Vermont	2.9
8	Tennessee	3.0
9	Iowa	3.2
10	South Dakota	3.4
10	Utah	3.4
12	Arkansas	3.5
12	Wisconsin	3.5
14	Maine	3.7
14	Minnesota	3.7
14	Virginia	3.7
17	Alabama	3.8
17	Florida	3.8

Rank	State	Unemployment Rate (%)
17	Indiana	3.8
17	Kansas	3.8
17	Maryland	3.8
17	Missouri	3.8
23	Massachusetts	3.9
23	Montana	3.9
23	South Carolina	3.9
26	Texas	4.0
26	Wyoming	4.0
28	North Carolina	4.1
29	Oregon	4.2
29	Rhode Island	4.2
31	Michigan	4.3
32	Georgia	4.5
32	Oklahoma	4.5
34	Connecticut	4.6
34	Washington	4.6
36	Arizona	4.7

Rank	State	Unemployment Rate (%)
36	New Jersey	4.7
38	Pennsylvania	4.8
39	Delaware	4.9
39	Nevada	4.9
39	New York	4.9
42	Illinois	5.0
43	California	5.1
43	Louisiana	5.1
43	West Virginia	5.1
46	Kentucky	5.2
46	Mississippi	5.2
48	Ohio	5.3
49	New Mexico	6.2
50	District of Columbia	6.5
51	Alaska	7.2
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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 October 20, 2017.

States Ranked by Annual Nonagricultural Employment Change September 2017, Seasonally Adjusted

Rank	State	Over-the-Year Change (Jobs)
1	California	280,300
2	Texas	256,100
3	New York	93,100
4	Georgia	84,100
5	Washington	71,300
6	Pennsylvania	66,600
7	Maryland	64,100
8	Florida	62,400
9	Massachusetts	62,300
10	Michigan	62,000
11	Ohio	61,600
12	North Carolina	61,400
13	Minnesota	52,200
14	Tennessee	44,200
15	Virginia	42,400
16	Colorado	41,300
17	Missouri	38,300
18	Utah	36,400

Rank	State	Over-the-Year Change (Jobs)
19	Oregon	34,900
20	Arizona	34,700
21	Wisconsin	34,600
22	Indiana	32,500
23	Nevada	32,300
24	Kentucky	30,200
25	Alabama	29,900
26	New Jersey	28,500
27	South Carolina	28,100
28	Arkansas	24,400
29	Oklahoma	17,700
30	Nebraska	15,400
31	Idaho	15,000
32	Louisiana	14,700
33	Iowa	14,200
34	New Hampshire	8,900
35	Hawaii	8,100
36	New Mexico	7,900

Rank	State	Over-the-Year Change (Jobs)
37	District of Columbia	6,900
38	Mississippi	6,500
39	North Dakota	5,900
40	Montana	5,800
41	Rhode Island	4,500
42	Illinois	3,700
43	Connecticut	3,500
44	Maine	3,400
45	Vermont	3,300
46	South Dakota	3,200
47	West Virginia	3,000
48	Delaware	2,800
49	Alaska	700
50	Wyoming	-3,100
51	Kansas	-5,100
-	Puerto Rico	-
-	Virgin Islands	-

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States Ranked by Annual Nonagricultural Employment Percentage Change September 2017, Seasonally Adjusted

Rank	State	Over-the-Year Change (%)
1	Utah	2.5%
1	Nevada	2.5%
3	Maryland	2.4%
4	Washington	2.2%
5	Idaho	2.1%
5	Texas	2.1%
7	Arkansas	2.0%
8	Georgia	1.9%
8	Oregon	1.9%
10	Minnesota	1.8%
11	Massachusetts	1.7%
11	California	1.7%
13	Colorado	1.6%
13	Kentucky	1.6%
15	Nebraska	1.5%
15	Alabama	1.5%
15	Tennessee	1.5%
18	Michigan	1.4%

Rank	State	Over-the-Year Change (%)
18	North Carolina	1.4%
18	South Carolina	1.4%
18	North Dakota	1.4%
22	Missouri	1.3%
22	New Hampshire	1.3%
22	Arizona	1.3%
25	Hawaii	1.2%
25	Montana	1.2%
25	Wisconsin	1.2%
28	Pennsylvania	1.1%
28	Ohio	1.1%
28	Virginia	1.1%
28	Oklahoma	1.1%
32	Vermont	1.0%
32	Indiana	1.0%
32	New York	1.0%
32	New Mexico	1.0%
36	Rhode Island	0.9%

Rank	State	Over-the-Year Change (%)
36	Iowa	0.9%
36	District of Columbia	0.9%
39	Louisiana	0.7%
39	Florida	0.7%
39	South Dakota	0.7%
39	New Jersey	0.7%
43	Delaware	0.6%
43	Mississippi	0.6%
43	Maine	0.6%
46	West Virginia	0.4%
47	Alaska	0.2%
47	Connecticut	0.2%
49	Illinois	0.1%
50	Kansas	-0.4%
51	Wyoming	-1.1%
–	Puerto Rico	–
–	Virgin Islands	–

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States Ranked by Labor Force Participation Rate

September 2017, Seasonally Adjusted

- 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	71.8
2	Minnesota	70.4
2	District of Columbia	70.4
4	Utah	69.7
5	South Dakota	69.1
6	Nebraska	68.8
6	Wisconsin	68.8
8	Iowa	68.5
9	New Hampshire	68.4
9	Maryland	68.4
11	Colorado	68.1
12	Kansas	67.0
13	Vermont	66.9
14	Alaska	66.6
15	Connecticut	66.5
16	Virginia	65.8
16	Massachusetts	65.8

Rank	State	Labor Force Participation Rate (%)
18	Wyoming	65.3
19	Indiana	64.5
20	Rhode Island	64.4
21	Washington	64.3
22	Maine	64.1
23	Illinois	64.0
24	Missouri	63.8
25	Oregon	63.6
26	New Jersey	63.4
27	Georgia	63.3
28	Idaho	63.2
29	Montana	63.1
30	Texas	63.0
31	Hawaii	62.8
32	Delaware	62.7
32	Ohio	62.7
34	Pennsylvania	62.5

Rank	State	Labor Force Participation Rate (%)
35	California	62.3
36	Nevada	61.8
37	North Carolina	61.5
38	Michigan	61.1
38	New York	61.1
40	Oklahoma	60.7
41	Arizona	60.4
42	Tennessee	60.2
43	Florida	59.5
44	Arkansas	59.2
44	Kentucky	59.2
46	South Carolina	58.8
47	Louisiana	57.8
48	New Mexico	57.6
49	Alabama	56.1
50	Mississippi	55.7
51	West Virginia	53.1

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States Ranked by Employment to Population Ratio

September 2017, Seasonally Adjusted

- 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	70.1
2	Minnesota	67.9
3	Utah	67.3
4	Nebraska	66.9
5	South Dakota	66.8
6	New Hampshire	66.6
7	Wisconsin	66.4
7	Colorado	66.4
9	Iowa	66.3
10	Maryland	65.9
11	District of Columbia	65.8
12	Vermont	64.9
13	Kansas	64.5
14	Connecticut	63.5
15	Virginia	63.4
16	Massachusetts	63.3
17	Wyoming	62.6

Rank	State	Employment to Population Ratio (%)
18	Indiana	62.1
19	Alaska	61.8
19	Rhode Island	61.8
19	Maine	61.8
22	Idaho	61.5
23	Missouri	61.4
24	Washington	61.3
25	Hawaii	61.2
26	Oregon	60.9
27	Illinois	60.8
28	Montana	60.6
29	New Jersey	60.5
29	Georgia	60.5
31	Texas	60.4
32	Delaware	59.6
33	Pennsylvania	59.5
34	Ohio	59.4

Rank	State	Employment to Population Ratio (%)
35	California	59.1
36	North Carolina	59.0
37	Nevada	58.7
38	Michigan	58.5
39	Tennessee	58.4
40	New York	58.1
41	Oklahoma	58.0
42	Arizona	57.6
43	Florida	57.3
44	Arkansas	57.1
45	South Carolina	56.5
46	Kentucky	56.2
47	Louisiana	54.9
48	New Mexico	54.0
49	Alabama	53.9
50	Mississippi	52.8
51	West Virginia	50.4

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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