

## September 2017 Ranking of Ohio County Unemployment Rates

(Not Seasonally Adjusted)

Among the state's 88 counties, preliminary September 2017 unemployment rates ranged from a low of 2.8 percent in Mercer County to a high of 7.9 percent in Trumbull County. From August, unemployment rates increased in three counties and decreased in 85 counties. The comparable unemployment rate for Ohio was 4.7 percent in September. (See table on next page.)

Nine counties had unemployment rates at or below 3.5 percent in September. The counties with the lowest rates, other than Mercer were: Putnam, 3.2 percent; Delaware, Hancock, and Holmes, 3.3 percent; Auglaize, Union, and Wyandot, 3.4 percent; and Madison, 3.5 percent.

Four counties had unemployment rates above 6.5 percent in September. The counties with the highest rates, other than Trumbull were: Mahoning, 7.5 percent; Monroe, 7.0 percent; and Meigs, 6.9 percent.

EDITOR'S NOTE: These estimates, prepared in cooperation with the Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, are based on 2016 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 2017 unemployment rates and nonagricultural wage and salary data for Ohio will be released by ODJFS on Friday, November 17, 2017. Unemployment rates for counties, cities, and metropolitan areas will be available on Tuesday, November 21, 2017. 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 2017**

<b>Rank<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>County</b>	<b>Unemployment Rate</b>	<b>Rank<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>County</b>	<b>Unemployment Rate</b>
1	Trumbull County	7.9	45	Hardin County	4.6
2	Mahoning County	7.5	46	Montgomery County	4.6
3	Monroe County	7.0	47	Defiance County	4.5
4	Meigs County	6.9	48	Ross County	4.5
5	Jefferson County	6.3	49	Tuscarawas County	4.5
6	Lorain County	6.3	50	Clark County	4.4
7	Coshocton County	6.2	51	Hocking County	4.4
8	Scioto County	6.1	52	Morrow County	4.3
9	Cuyahoga County	5.9	53	Paulding County	4.3
10	Pike County	5.9	54	Ashland County	4.3
11	Erie County	5.9	55	Sandusky County	4.2
12	Jackson County	5.8	56	Seneca County	4.2
13	Lucas County	5.7	57	Wood County	4.1
14	Vinton County	5.7	58	Hamilton County	4.1
15	Noble County	5.7	59	Butler County	4.1
16	Adams County	5.6	60	Pickaway County	4.1
17	Gallia County	5.5	61	Fulton County	4.1
18	Columbiana County	5.5	62	Preble County	4.0
19	Washington County	5.3	63	Greene County	4.0
20	Belmont County	5.3	64	Clermont County	4.0
21	Highland County	5.3	65	Knox County	4.0
22	Athens County	5.3	66	Fairfield County	3.9
23	Lawrence County	5.3	67	Henry County	3.9
24	Crawford County	5.3	68	Miami County	3.9
25	Harrison County	5.3	69	Williams County	3.9
26	Ashtabula County	5.2	70	Warren County	3.9
27	Clinton County	5.0	71	Licking County	3.8
28	Brown County	5.0	72	Logan County	3.8
29	Carroll County	5.0	73	Franklin County	3.8
30	Ottawa County	4.9	74	Shelby County	3.8
31	Morgan County	4.9	75	Champaign County	3.8
32	Perry County	4.9	76	Fayette County	3.8
33	Lake County	4.9	77	Darke County	3.7
34	Guernsey County	4.9	78	Wayne County	3.6
35	Richland County	4.9	79	Van Wert County	3.6
36	Huron County	4.8	80	Madison County	3.5
37	Muskingum County	4.8	81	Union County	3.4
38	Medina County	4.8	82	Auglaize County	3.4
39	Stark County	4.7	83	Wyandot County	3.4
40	Summit County	4.6	84	Holmes County	3.3
41	Marion County	4.6	85	Hancock County	3.3
42	Allen County	4.6	86	Delaware County	3.3
43	Portage County	4.6	87	Putnam County	3.2
44	Geauga County	4.6	88	Mercer County	2.8

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<sup>a</sup>Rankings are based upon unrounded unemployment rates.

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