## **April 2018 Ranking of Ohio County Unemployment Rates**

(Not Seasonally Adjusted)

Among the state's 88 counties, preliminary April 2018 unemployment rates ranged from a low of 2.3 percent in Mercer County to a high of 7.3 percent in Monroe County. From March, unemployment rates decreased in 85 counties and did not change in three counties. The comparable unemployment rate for Ohio was 4.0 percent in April. (See table on next page.)

Eight counties had unemployment rates at or below 3.0 percent in April. The counties with the lowest rates, other than Mercer were: Holmes, 2.7 percent; Auglaize and Delaware, 2.8 percent; Hancock and Wyandot, 2.9 percent; and Putnam and Union, 3.0 percent.

Nine counties had unemployment rates at or above 6.0 percent in April. The counties with the highest rates, other than Monroe were: Meigs, 6.6 percent; Noble, 6.4 percent; Ottawa, 6.2 percent; Jackson and Scioto, 6.1 percent; Adams, Coshocton, and Pike, 6.0 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.

May 2018 unemployment rates and nonagricultural wage and salary data for Ohio will be released by ODJFS on Friday, June 15, 2018. Unemployment rates for counties, cities, and metropolitan areas will be available on Tuesday, June 19, 2018. This information and the monthly statistical summaries they are based on are available at http://ohiolmi.com/laus/releases.htm.

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Belmont County	5.3	59	Fayette County	3.7
Mahoning County	5.2	60	Clermont County	3.7
Guernsey County	5.2	61	Preble County	3.6
Huron County	5.2	62	Butler County	3.6
Erie County	5.2	63	Fairfield County	3.6
Perry County	5.1	64	Hardin County	3.6
Washington County	5.0	65	Hamilton County	3.6
Carroll County	5.0	66	Paulding County	3.5
Highland County	5.0	67	Wood County	3.5
Muskingum County	5.0	68	Darke County	3.5
Lawrence County	4.9	69	Miami County	3.4
Ashtabula County	4.9	70	Greene County	3.4
Hocking County	4.8	71	Warren County	3.4
Brown County	4.8	72	Licking County	3.4
Columbiana County	4.8	73	Franklin County	3.3
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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup>Rankings are based upon unrounded unemployment rates.