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JUNE LOCAL UNEMPLOYMENT RATES ANNOUNCED

Madison – Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development (DWD) Secretary Roberta Gassman today announced 64 of Wisconsin's 72 counties had lower unemployment rates in June of 2004 than June of 2003.

"Wisconsin is doing very well under Governor Doyle's leadership. For the fifth consecutive month, most Wisconsin counties reported lower unemployment rates than one year ago," Secretary Gassman said. "We are pleased that Wisconsin's labor market picture continued to show improvement last month, yet we recognize that not everyone who is seeking employment has found work."

The increased number of job seekers, a normal occurrence in June as students and graduates enter the labor market, caused 61 counties to experience an increase in their June unemployment rates over the prior month, although eight counties showed a monthly decrease and three counties were unchanged in June. When compared with one year ago, the lower June 2004 numbers are good news for the state's overall employment picture.

Menominee County reported the highest unemployment rate last month at 13.2 percent, an increase over the May rate, but improved from one year ago. On the low end, Dane County, on a not seasonally adjusted basis, was at 2.7 percent compared to 2.5 percent in May, but still down from a year ago when the rate was at 3.0 percent.

Of the state's major metropolitan areas (MSA), nine had lower unemployment rates, one remain unchanged, and one had an increased rate. When compared to June 2003, all 11 Wisconsin MSAs showed improved rates.

June's nonfarm wage and salary estimates show that nine of the 11 metropolitan areas had total industry employment tallies higher than in May and that ten of the 11 had an annual increase in their job totals. The single MSA not to show an annual increase in its number of jobs was Janesville-Beloit, which showed no overall change in its job total.

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Employment and Labor Force Household Survey

Unadjusted estimates	Current	Month Ago	Year Ago
Total labor force	3,176,200	3,098,800	3,140,500
Employed	3,013,400	2,951,500	2,958,200
Unemployed	162,800	147,400	182,300
Wis. Unemployment Rate	5.1%	4.8%	5.8%
U.S. Unemployment Rate	5.8%	5.3%	6.5%

Seasonally adjusted	Current	Month Ago	Year Ago
Total labor force	3,117,900	3,115,600	3,081,100
Employed	2,963,000	2,957,400	2,907,200
Unemployed	154,900	158,200	174,000
Wis. Unemployment Rate	5.0%	5.1%	5.6%
U.S. Unemployment Rate	5.6%	5.6%	6.3%

*State current mo. Area prior mo.	Unemployment % seasonally adjusted	Current Month	Month Ago	Year Ago
26 th	Wisconsin	5.0	5.1	5.6
114 th	Appleton-Oshkosh	4.2	4.3	4.9
103 rd	Eau Claire	4.8	4.7	5.3
114 th	Green Bay	4.2	4.3	4.8
262 nd	Janesville-Beloit	6.3	6.4	6.4
214 th	Kenosha	5.3	5.4	6.1
53 rd	La Crosse	3.8	3.8	4.1
10 th	Madison	2.6	2.7	2.9
226 th	Milwaukee-Waukesha	5.1	5.4	5.8
294 th	Racine	6.8	7.1	8.0
103 rd	Sheboygan	4.1	4.2	4.7
85 th	Wausau	4.1	4.3	4.4

- This is the latest available data for the U.S.'s 331 largest metro areas. Urban rankings are NOT seasonally adjusted. Lower is better. Ties are shown only if existing with other Wisconsin urban areas; ties with urban areas in other states are not shown, but are available upon request. Rankings are by the U.S. Labor Department and are based on unadjusted data for the previous month, while the rates shown above for Wisconsin metropolitan areas are seasonally-adjusted and for the current month.
- **State ranking is seasonally adjusted
- *Metropolitan ranking is not seasonally adjusted and is for the prior month

Source *Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development

WISCONSIN COUNTIES
Unemployment Rates
June 2004
(Not Seasonally Adjusted) [view map](#)

RANK	COUNTY	RATE	LAST RATE	LAST RANK	YR AGO RATE	RANK	COUNTY	RATE	LAST RATE	LAST RANK	YR AGO RATE
20	ADAMS	5.8%	5.7%	16	4.4%	60	MARATHON	4.2%	3.9%	61	4.5%
5	ASHLAND	7.6%	6.6%	10	8.9%	16	MARINETTE	6.1%	6.1%	13	7.3%
15	BARRON	6.2%	5.6%	20	5.9%	13	MARQUETTE	6.5%	6.2%	12	7.9%
33	BAYFIELD	5.3%	5.6%	17	5.6%	1	MENOMINEE	13.2%	10.9%	1	13.8%
51	BROWN	4.7%	4.2%	53	5.3%	9	MILWAUKEE	7.0%	6.5%	11	7.8%
64	BUFFALO	3.8%	3.7%	65	4.5%	61	MONROE	4.1%	4.1%	56	5.0%
46	BURNETT	5.0%	4.2%	55	4.5%	2	OCONTO	9.1%	8.3%	2	10.3%
69	CALUMET	3.6%	3.5%	68	4.8%	40	ONEIDA	5.1%	5.0%	30	5.3%
42	CHIPPEWA	5.1%	4.7%	44	5.9%	53	OUTAGAMIE	4.6%	4.3%	50	5.2%
18	CLARK	6.0%	5.4%	23	6.5%	71	OZAUKEE	3.3%	3.1%	71	4.6%
34	COLUMBIA	5.3%	5.2%	27	5.8%	32	PEPIN	5.4%	4.6%	47	5.5%
30	CRAWFORD	5.4%	5.2%	28	5.8%	56	PIERCE	4.5%	4.2%	51	5.3%
72	DANE	2.7%	2.5%	72	3.0%	23	POLK	5.7%	5.3%	25	9.4%
29	DODGE	5.6%	4.9%	35	6.8%	26	PORTAGE	5.7%	4.8%	42	5.6%
37	DOOR	5.2%	5.7%	15	7.6%	45	PRICE	5.0%	4.7%	43	6.0%
25	DOUGLAS	5.7%	4.9%	36	5.7%	8	RACINE	7.2%	6.8%	7	8.5%
63	DUNN	4.0%	3.8%	63	4.7%	27	RICHLAND	5.6%	5.0%	31	4.6%
55	EAU CLAIRE	4.6%	3.8%	64	4.9%	11	ROCK	6.7%	6.1%	14	6.8%
7	FLORENCE	7.3%	7.0%	6	8.9%	12	RUSK	6.5%	6.6%	9	6.7%
48	FOND DU LAC	4.9%	4.2%	54	6.2%	67	SAUK	3.7%	3.8%	62	3.9%
17	FOREST	6.1%	5.6%	19	7.9%	41	SAWYER	5.1%	4.8%	39	5.3%
54	GRANT	4.6%	4.2%	52	5.5%	35	SHAWANO	5.3%	4.9%	34	5.6%
44	GREEN	5.0%	4.8%	38	6.4%	59	SHEBOYGAN	4.4%	4.1%	57	5.1%
22	GREEN LAKE	5.7%	5.3%	24	6.8%	38	ST. CROIX	5.2%	4.9%	33	7.2%
70	IOWA	3.5%	3.5%	67	3.6%	47	TAYLOR	4.9%	4.8%	37	5.6%
4	IRON	7.6%	7.7%	5	8.1%	57	TREMPEALEAU	4.5%	4.1%	58	5.6%
68	JACKSON	3.7%	3.5%	69	3.9%	58	VERNON	4.5%	4.1%	59	4.8%
28	JEFFERSON	5.6%	5.0%	32	4.9%	49	VILAS	4.8%	5.2%	26	5.4%
3	JUNEAU	7.6%	7.8%	4	9.3%	65	WALWORTH	3.8%	3.6%	66	4.3%
24	KENOSHA	5.7%	5.2%	29	6.4%	31	WASHBURN	5.4%	4.8%	41	6.0%
39	KEWAUNEE	5.2%	4.8%	40	7.0%	50	WASHINGTON	4.7%	4.4%	48	5.6%
66	LA CROSSE	3.8%	3.3%	70	4.2%	62	WAUKESHA	4.0%	3.9%	60	4.8%
36	LAFAYETTE	5.3%	4.7%	46	6.5%	43	WAUPACA	5.1%	4.7%	45	5.3%
6	LANGLADE	7.4%	7.8%	3	9.2%	19	WAUSHARA	5.9%	5.5%	22	7.1%
21	LINCOLN	5.7%	5.6%	18	6.1%	52	WINNEBAGO	4.6%	4.3%	49	5.5%
10	MANITOWOC	6.9%	6.7%	8	7.4%	14	WOOD	6.3%	5.6%	21	5.9%

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RANK	CITY	RATE	LAST RATE	LAST RANK	YR AGO RATE
11	APPLETON CITY	6.5%	5.8%	11	7.2%
2	BELOIT CITY	10.7%	9.4%	2	10.0%
26	BROOKFIELD CITY	3.6%	3.5%	26	4.1%
19	EAU CLAIRE CITY	5.4%	4.3%	23	5.8%
16	FOND DU LAC CITY	5.7%	5.0%	17	8.5%
20	FRANKLIN CITY	5.3%	4.9%	18	5.7%
6	GREEN BAY CITY	7.6%	6.9%	5	8.6%
23	GREENFIELD CITY	4.9%	4.7%	19	5.2%
9	JANESVILLE CITY	7.0%	6.5%	8	6.9%
10	KENOSHA CITY	7.0%	6.4%	10	7.7%
22	LA CROSSE CITY	5.0%	4.3%	22	5.7%
28	MADISON CITY	3.1%	2.8%	28	3.3%
4	MANITOWOC CITY	8.3%	8.3%	4	9.5%
27	MENOMONEE FALLS VILLAGE	3.2%	3.2%	27	4.3%
3	MILWAUKEE CITY	9.4%	8.7%	3	10.5%
8	NEENAH CITY	7.0%	6.6%	7	7.7%
25	NEW BERLIN CITY	3.8%	3.6%	24	4.7%
21	OAK CREEK CITY	5.2%	4.6%	21	6.7%
18	OSHKOSH CITY	5.40%	4.70%	20	6.70%
1	RACINE CITY	11.90%	11.00%	1	13.70%
17	SHEBOYGAN CITY	5.50%	5.20%	15	7.00%
5	STEVENS POINT CITY	8.00%	6.70%	6	7.90%
15	SUPERIOR CITY	5.80%	5.20%	16	6.40%
14	WAUKESHA CITY	5.80%	5.50%	14	6.80%
12	WAUSAU CITY	6.20%	5.70%	12	6.20%
24	WAUWATOSA CITY	4.30%	3.60%	25	4.70%
13	WEST ALLIS CITY	6.20%	5.70%	13	6.90%
7	WEST BEND CITY	7.20%	6.50%	9	8.70%

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