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### **Michigan's June Jobless Rate Increases**

*Lansing* – Michigan's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate in June increased over the month by two-tenths of a percentage point to 10.5 percent, according to data released today by the Michigan Department of Technology, Management & Budget (DTMB). Total employment decreased by 26,000 in June while unemployment rose slightly by 8,000. The state's labor force fell by 18,000 over the month. Michigan's unemployment rate was one and three-tenths percentage points above the U.S. June rate of 9.2 percent.

The Michigan jobless rate in June 2011 was two and one-tenth percentage points below the June 2010 rate of 12.6 percent. The national jobless rate decreased by three-tenths of a percentage point over this period.

"Halfway through 2011, Michigan's labor market has shown no significant changes since the beginning of the year," said Rick Waclawek, director of the Bureau of Labor Market Information and Strategic Initiatives. "Since January, statewide payroll jobs were little changed and the jobless rate edged down by two-tenths of a percentage point."

#### ***Monthly Labor Force Trends & Highlights***

- Michigan's June jobless rate was similar to the state's 2011 year-to-date average rate of 10.4 percent.
- The state's unemployment rate in June was the highest since January's 10.7 percent.
- Although Michigan's monthly jobless rate edged upward over the last two months, the state's quarterly jobless rate declined slightly. From the first quarter to the second quarter 2011, Michigan's unemployment rate declined by two-tenths of a percentage point.
- From the first quarter to the second quarter, the state's unemployment level decreased slightly by 8,000, however Michigan's labor force also recorded a minor reduction (-10,000).
- From June 2010 to June 2011, Michigan's workforce fell by 79,000 or 1.6 percent.
- Since June 2010, the state's total employment level increased moderately by 31,000 or 0.7 percent, which outpaced the national total employment gain of only 0.2 percent over the same period.

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**MICHIGAN  
Labor Force Estimates**

Seasonally Adjusted  
(Data in Thousands)

	June 2010	May 2011	June 2011	Change	
				Month	Year
Civilian Labor Force	4,797	4,736	4,718	-18	-79
Employment	4,191	4,248	4,222	-26	31
Unemployment	606	488	496	8	-110
Rate (Percent)	12.6	10.3	10.5	xxx	xxx

***Detroit Metropolitan Area's June Jobless Rate Rises***

The Detroit-Warren-Livonia Metropolitan Statistical Area's (MSA's) seasonally adjusted unemployment rate in June increased over the month by three-tenths of a percentage point to 11.9 percent. This was the highest rate posted in the area in 2011. Over the month, total employment declined by 14,000 while unemployment edged upward by 5,000. After remaining essentially flat during the first three months of 2011, total employment in the Detroit MSA has declined for three consecutive months.

From June 2010 to June 2011, the Detroit metropolitan area's jobless rate fell by one and seven-tenths percentage points. In that period, the number of unemployed fell by 15 percent, however total employment also declined, edging downward by 0.7 percent. The drop in the area's jobless rate from June 2010 to June 2011 was primarily due to a reduction in the number of individuals actively seeking employment.

**Detroit-Warren-Livonia MSA  
Labor Force Estimates**

Seasonally Adjusted  
(Data in Thousands)

	June 2010	May 2011	June 2011	Change	
				Month	Year
Civilian Labor Force	2,072	2,026	2,017	-9	-55
Employment	1,790	1,791	1,777	-14	-13
Unemployment	283	235	240	5	-43
Rate (Percent)	13.6	11.6	11.9	xxx	xxx

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### ***Payroll Jobs Advance in June Following Spring Job Cuts***

According to the monthly survey of employers, seasonally adjusted Michigan payroll jobs rose in June by 18,000 to 3,921,000. This job gain offset the decline of 19,000 jobs over the prior two months. Over-the-month job gains were posted in government (+10,000), leisure and hospitality services (+8,000), education and health services (+6,000), and construction (+4,000). June job declines were recorded in professional and business services (-5,000) and information (-3,000). The state's remaining major industry sectors recorded only minor changes over the month.

### ***Industry Employment Trends and Highlights***

- June's payroll job total was the second highest of 2011 just slightly below the March level of 3,922,000.
- Even with the relatively large over-the-month gain, Michigan's second quarter 2011 average job total (3,912,000) declined slightly from the state's first quarter average job level (3,916,000).
- Construction jobs displayed a second consecutive monthly increase following a very weak April total. The June level matched this sector's highest monthly total posted in 2011.
- Manufacturing jobs have been very steady in the first half of 2011 in Michigan. Monthly totals have hovered around 495,000, which is well above totals posted throughout 2010.
- The June jump in leisure and hospitality services' jobs brought this sector to its highest level in 2011. However, jobs in leisure and hospitality services were essentially flat from June 2010 to June 2011.
- Since June 2010, payroll jobs in Michigan increased by 53,000 or 1.4 percent. Significant job gains over this period were concentrated in four of Michigan's 11 major sectors; professional and business services (+22,000), manufacturing (+17,000), education and health services (+16,000), and construction (+11,000).
- Seasonally adjusted average weekly hours and earnings of production workers in manufacturing declined over the month as well as over the year.

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**MICHIGAN**  
**Payroll Employment Estimates**  
*Seasonally Adjusted*  
 (Data in Thousands)

	<u>June</u>	<u>May*</u>	<u>June**</u>	CHANGE***	
	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>MONTH</u>	<u>YEAR</u>
Total Nonfarm Payroll Jobs	3868	3903	3921	18	53
Natural Resources & Mining	7	8	8	0	1
Construction	119	126	130	4	11
Manufacturing	480	498	497	-1	17
Transportation Equipment	130	132	133	1	3
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	711	713	713	0	2
Retail Trade	447	445	447	2	0
Information	55	56	53	-3	-2
Financial Activities	186	187	187	0	1
Professional & Business Services	517	544	539	-5	22
Education & Health Services	614	623	629	6	16
Leisure & Hospitality Services	375	367	375	8	0
Other Services	166	169	169	0	3
Government	640	611	622	10	-18

\* Final data for May

\*\* Preliminary data for June

\*\*\* Change calculated using unrounded data

**Hours & Earnings for Production Workers**  
*Seasonally Adjusted*

**Manufacturing**

	<u>June</u>	<u>May</u>	<u>June</u>	CHANGE	
	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>MONTH</u>	<u>YEAR</u>
Average Weekly Earnings	\$962.91	\$955.93	\$929.70	-\$26.23	-\$33.21
Average Weekly Hours	43.8	44.5	43.7	-0.8	-0.1

**Transportation Equipment**

Average Weekly Earnings	\$1,286.11	\$1,368.19	\$1,290.64	-\$77.55	\$4.53
Average Weekly Hours	45.3	46.9	45.6	-1.3	0.3

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