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Regional Jobless Rates Up Seasonally in June

Lansing – Seasonally unadjusted unemployment rates increased in all of Michigan’s 17 major labor market areas in June, according to the Michigan Department of Technology, Management & Budget. Total employment and labor force levels advanced seasonally in most regions over the month.

“Employment and workforce levels expanded in most Michigan regions in June with the continuation of summer and seasonal hiring,” said Michael Williams, acting director of the Bureau of Labor Market Information & Strategic Initiatives. “Due to the large influx of job seekers, June jobless rates increased typically. Over the past year, regional unemployment rates displayed only modest change, however labor force and employment levels rose.”

From May to June, regional jobless rate increases ranged from 0.1 to 1.3 percentage points with a median hike of 0.6 of a percentage point. Historically, rates advance in June by around half of a percentage point. The largest June 2013 unemployment rate increase was posted in the Detroit-Warren-Livonia Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA). The state’s three northernmost labor market regions recorded the smallest rate gains of 0.2 of a percentage point or less over the month. In June, only three state labor market areas displayed jobless rates below the national non-seasonally adjusted rate of 7.8 percent.

Jobless Rates Up Slightly Over Year

From June 2012 to June 2013, most regional unemployment rate changes were modest. Since June 2012, jobless rates edged upward in ten areas. Increases ranged from 0.1 to 0.6 of a percentage point with a minor median rate hike of 0.3 of a percentage point. Five areas reported moderate unemployment rate declines over the year, while rates were unchanged in the Battle Creek and Muskegon-Norton Shores MSAs.

Total Employment Up Over Month, Year

Over the month, total employment rose in 15 of 17 regions with a substantial median advance of 1.2 percent. For the second consecutive month, the state’s three northernmost regions posted the largest percentage employment gains as hiring continued for the summer tourism season. Total employment fell seasonally in June in the Lansing-East Lansing and Ann Arbor MSAs, with drops of 1.7 percent and 1.5 percent respectively.

Since June 2012, total employment rose in 16 areas and recorded a significant median gain of 1.4 percent. The most pronounced over-the-year increases of around four percent or higher were posted in the Grand Rapids-Wyoming, Muskegon-Norton Shores, and Holland-Grand Haven MSAs. Total employment edged downward over the year by 0.1 percent in the Saginaw-Saginaw Township North MSA.

Labor Force Levels Grow Over Month, Year

From May to June, workforce levels rose seasonally in 15 regions with a median gain of 1.7 percent. Labor force levels in both the Lansing-East Lansing and Ann Arbor MSAs declined in June.

From June 2012 to June 2013, labor force levels advanced in all 17 regions. Over-the-year workforce gains were wide ranging throughout the various areas with increases from 0.1 to 4.5 percent.

Leisure and Hospitality Services Boost June Payroll Jobs

The monthly survey of employers indicated that seasonally unadjusted payroll jobs in Michigan increased by 11,000 or 0.3 percent in June to 4,124,000. Private sector jobs rose by 25,000 or 0.7 percent over the month, led by a 17,000 gain in leisure and hospitality services. Other private sector job increases were posted in construction (+6,000), retail trade (+5,000), and manufacturing (+5,000). Job declines over the month were registered in professional and business services (-7,000), and education and health services (-5,000).

Government jobs fell by 14,000 in June, as seasonal cutbacks occurred in state and local government education with the beginning of summer break at area schools and universities. Job declines in local government education took place across the state, while decreases in state government education were most prominent in the Lansing-East Lansing and Ann Arbor MSAs.

Most metropolitan areas in June showed only moderate payroll job changes with eight areas recording increases and six metro regions posting declines. In June, all metropolitan areas reported job gains in leisure and hospitality services.

From June 2012 to June 2013, seasonally unadjusted payroll jobs increased statewide by 59,000 or 1.5 percent. Nearly all of Michigan's major industry sectors recorded over-the-year job gains with the exception of information and other services, both of which registered job losses of around 1,000. The largest job advances were displayed in manufacturing (+17,000), leisure and hospitality services (+16,000), trade, transportation and utilities (+10,000), professional and business services (+9,000), and education and health services (+6,000).

Since June 2012, overall payroll jobs rose in nine metro regions and declined in five. Gains averaged 1.3 percent over the year, while declines averaged -0.6 percent. The largest over-the-year job advances were recorded in the Muskegon-Norton Shores, Grand Rapids-Wyoming, and Holland-Grand Haven MSAs.

County Jobless Rates Up Over Month, Year

Sixty-six of Michigan's 83 counties recorded unemployment rate increases in June, while 13 counties posted declines, and four county's rates were unchanged. Jobless rate changes were mostly moderate over the month.

From June 2012 to June 2013, jobless rates rose in 53 counties, fell in 20 and were unchanged in ten. Over-the-year increases and decreases averaged about a half percentage point.

*Note: Data in this release is **not seasonally adjusted**. As a result, employment and unemployment trends may differ from previously released Michigan seasonally adjusted data.*

A breakdown of seasonally unadjusted June workforce estimates for Michigan and its 17 major labor market areas follows, along with a listing of county jobless rates for June.

Note to Editors: Please ensure that the source for state unemployment rates reads "Michigan Department of Technology, Management & Budget."

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	<u>Jun-12</u>	<u>May-13</u>	<u>Jun-13</u>	% change month	% change year
ANN ARBOR MSA (Washtenaw County)					
Civilian Labor Force	183,300	188,000	186,800	-0.6%	1.9%
Total Employment	171,300	176,800	174,200	-1.5%	1.7%
Unemployment	12,000	11,100	12,700	14.4%	5.8%
Rate (percent)	6.5	5.9	6.8		

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BATTLE CREEK MSA (Calhoun County)					
Civilian Labor Force	65,000	65,300	65,900	0.9%	1.4%
Total Employment	59,800	60,500	60,700	0.3%	1.5%
Unemployment	5,200	4,700	5,200	10.6%	0.0%
Rate (percent)	8.0	7.3	8.0		

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BAY CITY MSA (Bay County)					
Civilian Labor Force	52,600	52,400	53,300	1.7%	1.3%
Total Employment	47,900	47,800	48,400	1.3%	1.0%
Unemployment	4,600	4,600	5,000	8.7%	8.7%
Rate (percent)	8.8	8.9	9.3		

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DETROIT-WARREN-LIVONIA MSA (Data in thousands) (Wayne, Oakland, Macomb, Lapeer, Livingston, St. Clair counties)					
Civilian Labor Force	2,026	2,008	2,042	1.7%	0.8%
Total Employment	1,804	1,828	1,830	0.1%	1.4%
Unemployment	222	181	211	16.6%	-5.0%
Rate (percent)	11.0	9.0	10.3		

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FLINT MSA (Genesee County)					
Civilian Labor Force	186,800	189,600	191,900	1.2%	2.7%
Total Employment	168,300	171,900	172,500	0.3%	2.5%
Unemployment	18,400	17,800	19,300	8.4%	4.9%
Rate (percent)	9.9	9.4	10.1		

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GRAND RAPIDS - WYOMING MSA (Barry, Ionia, Kent, Newaygo counties)					
Civilian Labor Force	397,200	408,500	413,600	1.2%	4.1%
Total Employment	368,100	382,000	384,500	0.7%	4.5%
Unemployment	29,100	26,500	29,100	9.8%	0.0%
Rate (percent)	7.3	6.5	7.0		

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HOLLAND - GRAND HAVEN MSA (Ottawa County)					
Civilian Labor Force	131,700	134,900	136,800	1.4%	3.9%
Total Employment	121,900	126,000	126,900	0.7%	4.1%
Unemployment	9,800	8,800	9,900	12.5%	1.0%
Rate (percent)	7.4	6.6	7.2		

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JACKSON MSA (Jackson County)					
Civilian Labor Force	72,200	71,600	72,500	1.3%	0.4%
Total Employment	65,600	65,400	65,700	0.5%	0.2%
Unemployment	6,600	6,200	6,800	9.7%	3.0%
Rate (percent)	9.1	8.7	9.4		

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KALAMAZOO - PORTAGE MSA (Kalamazoo and Van Buren counties)					
Civilian Labor Force	162,900	163,200	166,200	1.8%	2.0%
Total Employment	149,600	151,100	152,900	1.2%	2.2%
Unemployment	13,300	12,000	13,300	10.8%	0.0%
Rate (percent)	8.2	7.4	8.0		

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LANSING - EAST LANSING MSA (Clinton, Eaton, and Ingham counties)					
Civilian Labor Force	234,000	238,400	236,100	-1.0%	0.9%
Total Employment	215,300	220,700	216,900	-1.7%	0.7%
Unemployment	18,700	17,800	19,200	7.9%	2.7%
Rate (percent)	8.0	7.5	8.1		

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MONROE MSA					
(Monroe County)					
Civilian Labor Force	70,400	70,700	71,300	0.8%	1.3%
Total Employment	64,400	64,900	65,000	0.2%	0.9%
Unemployment	6,000	5,800	6,300	8.6%	5.0%
Rate (percent)	8.5	8.2	8.8		

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MUSKEGON - NORTON SHORES MSA					
(Muskegon County)					
Civilian Labor Force	85,100	86,900	88,900	2.3%	4.5%
Total Employment	77,300	79,400	80,800	1.8%	4.5%
Unemployment	7,800	7,500	8,200	9.3%	5.1%
Rate (percent)	9.2	8.6	9.2		

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NILES - BENTON HARBOR MSA					
(Berrien County)					
Civilian Labor Force	75,100	73,000	75,200	3.0%	0.1%
Total Employment	68,000	66,500	68,100	2.4%	0.1%
Unemployment	7,100	6,500	7,100	9.2%	0.0%
Rate (percent)	9.5	8.9	9.4		

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SAGINAW-Saginaw Township North MSA					
(Saginaw County)					
Civilian Labor Force	91,900	90,500	92,100	1.8%	0.2%
Total Employment	83,500	82,400	83,400	1.2%	-0.1%
Unemployment	8,300	8,100	8,800	8.6%	6.0%
Rate (percent)	9.1	8.9	9.5		

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UPPER PENINSULA LMA					
(15 counties)					
Civilian Labor Force	149,700	147,300	151,900	3.1%	1.5%
Total Employment	135,800	133,200	137,300	3.1%	1.1%
Unemployment	13,900	14,000	14,600	4.3%	5.0%
Rate (percent)	9.3	9.5	9.6		

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NORTHEAST LOWER MICHIGAN (Alcona, Alpena, Cheboygan, Crawford, Iosco, Montmorency, Ogemaw, Oscoda, Otsego, Presque Isle, Roscommon counties)					
Civilian Labor Force	88,800	86,800	89,900	3.6%	1.2%
Total Employment	79,600	77,500	80,000	3.2%	0.5%
Unemployment	9,200	9,400	9,900	5.3%	7.6%
Rate (percent)	10.4	10.8	11.0		

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NORTHWEST LOWER MICHIGAN (Antrim, Charlevoix, Emmet, Benzie, Grand Traverse, Kalkaska, Leelanau, Manistee, Missaukee, Wexford counties)					
Civilian Labor Force	152,900	147,700	156,100	5.7%	2.1%
Total Employment	139,100	133,900	141,500	5.7%	1.7%
Unemployment	13,900	13,800	14,600	5.8%	5.0%
Rate (percent)	9.1	9.3	9.4		

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MICHIGAN (Data in thousands)					
Civilian Labor Force	4,729	4,724	4,802	1.7%	1.5%
Total Employment	4,277	4,325	4,352	0.6%	1.8%
Unemployment	452	399	449	12.5%	-0.7%
Rate (percent)	9.6	8.4	9.4		

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Note:

The table above contains **seasonally unadjusted** data for Michigan for 2013 and 2012, which should be used in comparison with data for Michigan regions or counties.

DTMB released earlier the **seasonally adjusted** June 2013 unemployment rate for Michigan (8.7 percent), which is best used for:

- Identifying recent Michigan workforce trends
- Conducting comparisons with unemployment rates for the U.S. and other states

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**MICHIGAN COUNTIES RANKED BY UNEMPLOYMENT RATE
JUNE 2013**

1	Mackinac County	5.2	43	Crawford County	9.9
2	Barry County	6.2	44	Gratiot County	9.9
3	Menominee County	6.3	45	Macomb County	9.9
4	Clinton County	6.7	46	Alpena County	10.0
5	Leelanau County	6.8	47	Antrim County	10.0
6	Washtenaw County	6.8	48	Genesee County	10.1
7	Eaton County	6.9	49	Hillsdale County	10.2
8	Kent County	6.9	50	Lapeer County	10.2
9	Cheboygan County	7.0	51	Manistee County	10.2
10	Ottawa County	7.2	52	Houghton County	10.3
11	Allegan County	7.3	53	Mecosta County	10.5
12	Grand Traverse County	7.5	54	Oceana County	10.5
13	Kalamazoo County	7.7	55	Sanilac County	10.5
14	Ionia County	7.9	56	Charlevoix County	10.6
15	Calhoun County	8.0	57	Emmet County	10.7
16	Midland County	8.0	58	Otsego County	10.7
17	Dickinson County	8.1	59	Luce County	10.8
18	Isabella County	8.1	60	Missaukee County	10.8
19	Cass County	8.2	61	Ogemaw County	10.9
20	Livingston County	8.3	62	St. Clair County	10.9
21	Newaygo County	8.4	63	Tuscola County	10.9
22	St. Joseph County	8.4	64	Osceola County	11.0
23	Mason County	8.7	65	Gogebic County	11.2
24	Monroe County	8.8	66	Iosco County	11.3
25	Ingham County	8.9	67	Montcalm County	11.3
26	Van Buren County	8.9	68	Chippewa County	11.5
27	Marquette County	9.0	69	Wayne County	11.7
28	Oakland County	9.0	70	Clare County	12.2
29	Benzie County	9.2	71	Roscommon County	12.3
30	Branch County	9.2	72	Arenac County	12.4
31	Muskegon County	9.2	73	Presque Isle County	12.6
32	Bay County	9.3	74	Keweenaw County	12.7
33	Huron County	9.3	75	Gladwin County	13.0
34	Kalkaska County	9.3	76	Lake County	13.1
35	Berrien County	9.4	77	Schoolcraft County	13.1
36	Jackson County	9.4	78	Wexford County	13.2
37	Lenawee County	9.4	79	Ontonagon County	14.0
38	Saginaw County	9.5	80	Montmorency County	14.8
39	Delta County	9.6	81	Alcona County	14.9
40	Iron County	9.6	82	Oscoda County	15.3
41	Shiawassee County	9.8	83	Baraga County	17.9
42	Alger County	9.9			

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