

## February 2019 Ranking of Ohio County Unemployment Rates

(Not Seasonally Adjusted)

Among the state's 88 counties, preliminary February 2019 unemployment rates ranged from a low of 2.9 percent in Mercer County to a high of 10.4 percent in Monroe County. From January, unemployment rates decreased in all 88 counties. The comparable unemployment rate for Ohio was 4.7 percent in February. (See table on next page.)

Six counties had unemployment rates below 3.5 percent in February. The counties with the lowest rates, other than Mercer were: Delaware and Holmes, 3.2 percent; Auglaize, 3.3 percent; and Hancock and Union, 3.4 percent.

Six counties had unemployment rates at or above 8.5 percent in February. The counties with the highest rates, other than Monroe were: Meigs and Noble, 8.8 percent, Adams, 8.7 percent; and Morgan and Ottawa, 8.5 percent.

EDITOR'S NOTE: These estimates, prepared in cooperation with the Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, are based on 2018 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.

March 2019 unemployment rates and nonagricultural wage and salary data for Ohio will be released by ODJFS on Friday, April 19, 2019. Unemployment rates for counties, cities, and metropolitan areas will be available on Tuesday, April 23, 2019. 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**  
**February 2019**

<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	Monroe County	10.4	45	Summit County	4.9
2	Noble County	8.8	46	Cuyahoga County	4.9
3	Meigs County	8.8	47	Ross County	4.9
4	Adams County	8.7	48	Pickaway County	4.7
5	Morgan County	8.5	49	Seneca County	4.7
6	Ottawa County	8.5	50	Lake County	4.7
7	Jackson County	7.7	51	Clark County	4.6
8	Pike County	7.6	52	Marion County	4.6
9	Huron County	7.6	53	Defiance County	4.6
10	Vinton County	7.6	54	Preble County	4.5
11	Scioto County	7.5	55	Knox County	4.5
12	Jefferson County	7.0	56	Montgomery County	4.5
13	Guernsey County	6.9	57	Geauga County	4.4
14	Gallia County	6.7	58	Allen County	4.4
15	Washington County	6.6	59	Darke County	4.4
16	Trumbull County	6.6	60	Fayette County	4.3
17	Perry County	6.5	61	Hardin County	4.2
18	Coshocton County	6.4	62	Clermont County	4.2
19	Belmont County	6.4	63	Paulding County	4.2
20	Henry County	6.4	64	Miami County	4.2
21	Mahoning County	6.2	65	Medina County	4.1
22	Muskingum County	6.2	66	Fairfield County	4.1
23	Harrison County	6.2	67	Licking County	4.0
24	Erie County	6.1	68	Shelby County	4.0
25	Brown County	6.1	69	Butler County	4.0
26	Highland County	5.9	70	Wood County	4.0
27	Ashtabula County	5.8	71	Greene County	4.0
28	Athens County	5.8	72	Hamilton County	3.9
29	Carroll County	5.8	73	Madison County	3.9
30	Hocking County	5.8	74	Logan County	3.9
31	Lawrence County	5.7	75	Champaign County	3.8
32	Columbiana County	5.5	76	Putnam County	3.8
33	Clinton County	5.4	77	Williams County	3.7
34	Fulton County	5.3	78	Warren County	3.7
35	Lorain County	5.3	79	Franklin County	3.7
36	Crawford County	5.3	80	Wayne County	3.6
37	Lucas County	5.2	81	Van Wert County	3.6
38	Tuscarawas County	5.2	82	Wyandot County	3.6
39	Stark County	5.1	83	Union County	3.4
40	Morrow County	5.1	84	Hancock County	3.4
41	Sandusky County	5.1	85	Auglaize County	3.3
42	Richland County	5.0	86	Holmes County	3.2
43	Ashland County	5.0	87	Delaware County	3.2
44	Portage County	4.9	88	Mercer County	2.9

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

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