

**Unemployment by State: May '09 compared to April '09 and to start of recession**  
**(Boldface indicates state unemployment rates higher than the national rate)**

	Dec 07	Apr 09 **	May 09		Dec 07	Apr 09	May 09
<b>UNITED STATES</b>	<b>4.9%</b>	<b>8.9%</b>	<b>9.4%</b>	Missouri	<b>5.3%</b>	8.1%	9.0%
Alabama	3.8%	<b>9.0%</b>	<b>9.8%</b>	Montana	3.8%	6.0%	6.3%
Alaska	<b>6.3%</b>	7.9%	8.4%	Nebraska	2.7%	4.5%	4.4%
Arizona	4.3%	7.7%	8.2%	Nevada	<b>5.2%</b>	<b>10.6%</b>	<b>11.3%</b>
Arkansas	4.9%	6.5%	7.0%	New Hampshire	3.5%	6.3%	6.5%
California	<b>5.9%</b>	<b>11.1%</b>	<b>11.5%</b>	New Jersey	4.5%	8.4%	8.8%
Colorado	4.1%	7.4%	7.6%	New Mexico	3.6%	5.8%	6.5%
Connecticut	4.9%	7.9%	8.0%	New York	4.6%	7.7%	8.2%
Delaware	3.8%	7.4%	8.1%	North Carolina	5.0%	<b>10.7%</b>	<b>11.1%</b>
District of Columbia	<b>5.8%</b>	<b>9.9%</b>	<b>10.7%</b>	North Dakota	3.1%	4.1%	4.4%
Florida	4.8%	<b>9.7%</b>	<b>10.2%</b>	Ohio	<b>5.8%</b>	<b>10.2%</b>	<b>10.8%</b>
Georgia	<b>5.1%</b>	<b>9.2%</b>	<b>9.7%</b>	Oklahoma	3.6%	6.2%	6.3%
Hawaii	3.1%	6.9%	7.4%	Oregon	<b>5.3%</b>	<b>11.8%</b>	<b>12.4%</b>
Idaho	3.6%	7.0%	7.8%	Pennsylvania	4.6%	7.8%	8.2%
Illinois	<b>5.6%</b>	<b>9.4%</b>	<b>10.1%</b>	Rhode Island	<b>6.0%</b>	<b>11.1%</b>	<b>12.1%</b>
Indiana	4.5%	<b>9.9%</b>	<b>10.6%</b>	South Carolina	<b>5.8%</b>	<b>11.4%</b>	<b>12.1%</b>
Iowa	3.8%	5.1%	5.8%	South Dakota	2.7%	4.8%	5.0%
Kansas	4.1%	6.5%	7.0%	Tennessee	<b>5.3%</b>	<b>9.9%</b>	<b>10.7%</b>
Kentucky	<b>5.5%</b>	<b>9.9%</b>	<b>10.6%</b>	Texas	4.4%	6.6%	7.1%
Louisiana	3.9%	6.2%	6.6%	Utah	3.0%	5.2%	5.4%
Maine	4.7%	7.9%	8.3%	Vermont	4.0%	7.3%	7.3%
Maryland	3.6%	6.8%	7.2%	Virginia	3.3%	6.8%	7.1%
Massachusetts	4.5%	8.0%	8.2%	Washington	4.6%	<b>9.0%</b>	9.4%
Michigan	<b>7.3%</b>	<b>12.9%</b>	<b>14.1%</b>	West Virginia	4.3%	7.7%	8.6%
Minnesota	4.8%	8.0%	8.2%	Wisconsin	4.5%	8.6%	8.9%
Mississippi	<b>6.1%</b>	<b>9.1%</b>	<b>9.6%</b>	Wyoming	2.9%	4.5%	5.0%

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

\*\* April data as revised on June 19, 2009

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