

Education and Workforce Development Cabinet

County jobless rates released for June 2012 to June 2013

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EDITOR'S NOTE: June's preliminary and May's revised county unemployment rate charts are posted at <https://kylmi.ky.gov/gsipub/index.asp?docid=488>.

FRANKFORT, Ky. (July 25, 2013) – Unemployment rates increased in 88 Kentucky counties between June 2012 and June 2013, while 26 county rates fell and six stayed the same, according to the Kentucky Office of Employment and Training, an agency of the Kentucky Education and Workforce Development Cabinet.

Woodford County recorded the lowest jobless rate in the Commonwealth at 6.5 percent. It was followed by Boone and Oldham counties, 6.9 percent each; Fayette and Scott counties, 7.1 percent each; Anderson County, 7.3 percent; Kenton and Simpson counties, 7.4 percent each; and Campbell, Hancock, Larue, Shelby and Spencer counties, 7.5 percent each.

Magoffin County recorded the state's highest unemployment rate — 18.5 percent. It was followed by Harlan County, 17.9 percent; Leslie County, 17.3 percent; Fulton County, 17 percent; Letcher County, 16.9 percent; Knott County, 15.9 percent; Bell County, 15.5 percent; Jackson County, 14.8 percent; Wolfe County, 14.6 percent; and McCreary County, 14.2 percent.

Unemployment statistics are based on estimates and are compiled to measure trends rather than actually to count people working. Civilian labor force statistics include non-military workers and unemployed Kentuckians who are actively seeking work. They do not include unemployed Kentuckians who have not looked for employment within the past four weeks. The statistics in this news release are not seasonally adjusted because of the small sample size for each county. The data should only be compared to the same month in previous years.

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