

**February 2010 Ranking of
Ohio County Unemployment Rates**
(Not Seasonally Adjusted)

Among the state's 88 counties, the February 2010 unemployment rates ranged from a low of 8.2 percent in Delaware County to a high of 19.1 percent in Ottawa County. Rates decreased in 56 of the 88 counties. In February, the comparable rate for Ohio was 11.8 percent. (See table below).

Nine counties had unemployment rates at or below 10.0 percent in February. The counties with the lowest rates, other than Delaware, were: Holmes, 8.7; Mercer, 9.2; Franklin, 9.4; Lawrence and Union, 9.6; Athens, 9.7; and Geauga and Medina, 10.0 percent.

Six counties had unemployment rates above 18.0 percent during February. The counties with the highest rates, other than Ottawa, were: Clinton, 19.0; Highland, 18.6; Morgan, 18.3; and Huron and Noble, 18.1 percent.

EDITOR'S NOTE: These estimates, prepared in cooperation with the Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, are based on 2009 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. Updated statewide historical data may be obtained by contacting the Bureau of Labor Market Information at (614) 466-1109.

March 2010 unemployment rates and nonagricultural wage and salary data for Ohio will be released by ODJFS on Friday, April 16, 2010. County, city and metropolitan area unemployment rates will be available on Tuesday, April 20, 2010. This information and the monthly statistical summaries it is based on are also available at <http://jfs.ohio.gov/releases>.

Ranking Report
Ohio Unemployment Rates by County
February 2010

Rank (b)	County	Unemployment Rate	Rank (b)	County	Unemployment Rate
1	Ottawa County	19.1	45	Miami County	13.2
2	Clinton County	19.0	46	Tuscarawas County	13.1
3	Highland County	18.6	47	Jackson County	13.0
4	Morgan County	18.3	48	Lucas County	13.0
5	Huron County	18.1	49	Morrow County	12.9
6	Noble County	18.1	50	Darke County	12.9
7	Meigs County	17.7	51	Logan County	12.8
8	Adams County	17.7	52	Champaign County	12.6
9	Pike County	17.6	53	Montgomery County	12.6
10	Monroe County	17.1	54	Putnam County	12.6
11	Vinton County	16.1	55	Allen County	12.5
12	Williams County	16.1	56	Belmont County	12.4
13	Carroll County	16.0	57	Hardin County	12.4
14	Perry County	16.0	58	Marion County	12.1
15	Henry County	15.9	59	Gallia County	12.0
16	Fulton County	15.7	60	Clark County	12.0
17	Muskingum County	15.7	61	Wood County	11.8
18	Ashtabula County	15.1	62	Portage County	11.7
19	Brown County	15.1	63	Clermont County	11.7
20	Jefferson County	15.1	64	Summit County	11.6
21	Coshocton County	15.0	65	Lorain County	11.5
22	Scioto County	14.9	66	Washington County	11.4
23	Guernsey County	14.7	67	Greene County	11.2
24	Wyandot County	14.5	68	Wayne County	11.1
25	Columbiana County	14.5	69	Licking County	11.1
26	Trumbull County	14.5	70	Madison County	11.0
27	Van Wert County	14.4	71	Knox County	10.9
28	Defiance County	14.4	72	Auglaize County	10.9
29	Harrison County	14.3	73	Butler County	10.7
30	Shelby County	14.2	74	Lake County	10.5
31	Crawford County	14.0	75	Hancock County	10.5
32	Preble County	14.0	76	Cuyahoga County	10.5
33	Seneca County	13.9	77	Warren County	10.3
34	Paulding County	13.8	78	Hamilton County	10.3
35	Ashland County	13.8	79	Fairfield County	10.2
36	Ross County	13.7	80	Medina County	10.0
37	Erie County	13.6	81	Geauga County	10.0
38	Hocking County	13.6	82	Athens County	9.7
39	Mahoning County	13.6	83	Lawrence County	9.6
40	Richland County	13.6	84	Union County	9.6
41	Fayette County	13.5	85	Franklin County	9.4
42	Stark County	13.4	86	Mercer County	9.2
43	Pickaway County	13.4	87	Holmes County	8.7
44	Sandusky County	13.3	88	Delaware County	8.2

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