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## Jobs Growth Up, Unchanged in Most Metro Areas in June

## **Unemployment Rates (Not Seasonally Adjusted)**

Metropolitan Area	June 2024*	June 2023**	Over-the- Year Change
Bloomington	5.3%	4.2%	1.1
Carbondale-Marion	5.8%	4.7%	1.1
Champaign-Urbana	5.4%	4.6%	0.8
Chicago-Naperville-Arlington Heights	6.4%	4.7%	1.7
Danville	7.5%	5.9%	1.6
Davenport-Moline-Rock Island, IA-IL	5.0%	4.4%	0.6
Decatur	7.2%	6.2%	1.0
Elgin	5.9%	4.9%	1.0
Kankakee	6.5%	5.6%	0.9
Lake-Kenosha, IL-WI	5.2%	4.6%	0.6
Peoria	6.0%	5.0%	1.0
Rockford	6.7%	6.2%	0.5
Springfield	5.2%	4.4%	0.8
St. Louis (IL-Section)	5.3%	4.4%	0.9
Illinois Statewide	6.1%	4.8%	1.3
* Preliminary I ** Revised			

**SPRINGFIELD** – Over-the-year, total nonfarm jobs increased in five metropolitan areas, decreased in six, and was unchanged or nearly unchanged in three for the year ending June 2024, according to data released today by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) and the Illinois Department of Employment Security (DES). Over-the-year, the unemployment rate increased in all fourteen metropolitan areas.

"The Illinois labor market continues to see sufficient payroll jobs expansion across various industries around the state, positioning jobseekers and employers with further opportunities for career growth," **said Deputy Governor Andy Manar**. "Illinois is proud of its world-class labor force and remains committed to investing in the growth of its strength and diversity."

The metro areas which had the largest over-the-year percentage increases in total nonfarm jobs were the Champaign-Urbana MSA (+1.5%, +1,700), the Carbondale-Marion MSA (+1.4%, +800), and the Bloomington MSA (+0.9%, +900). The metro areas

which had the largest over-the-year percentage decreases in total nonfarm jobs were the Decatur MSA (-1.4%, -700), the Springfield MSA (-1.4%, -1,500), and the Rockford MSA (-1.3%, -1,900). The Danville MSA and the Illinois section of St. Louis MSA each had change in total nonfarm jobs, while the Chicago-Naperville-Arlington Heights Metropolitan Division saw almost no change in total nonfarm jobs.

Industries that saw job growth in a majority of metro areas included Government (nine areas) and Private Education and Health Services (eight areas).

The metro areas with the largest unemployment rate increases were the Chicago Metro Division (+1.7 points to 6.4%), the Danville MSA (+1.6 points to 7.5%), followed by the Bloomington MSA (+1.1 points to 5.3%) and the Carbondale Marion MSA (+1.1 points to 5.8%).

Total Nonfarm Jobs (Not Seasonally Adjusted) – June 2024					
Metropolitan Area	June	June	Over-the-Year		
	2024*	2023**	Change		
Bloomington MSA	97,800	96,900	900		
Carbondale-Marion MSA	57,400	56,600	800		
Champaign-Urbana MSA	118,700	117,000	1,700		
Chicago-Naperville-Arlington Heights Metro Division	3,866,500	3,868,100	-1,600		
Danville MSA	26,900	26,900	0		
Davenport-Moline-Rock Island MSA	182,500	184,500	-2,000		
Decatur MSA	47,800	48,500	-700		
Elgin Metro Division	268,000	266,700	1,300		
Kankakee MSA	43,600	43,400	200		
Lake-County-Kenosha County Metro Division	429,800	430,200	-400		
Peoria MSA	172,200	173,700	-1,500		
Rockford MSA	146,200	148,100	-1,900		
Springfield MSA	108,900	110,400	-1,500		
Illinois Section of St. Louis MSA	243,500	243,500	0		
Illinois Statewide	6,212,200	6,190,900	21,300		
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