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Unemployment Rates Down in All 14 Metro Areas, Jobs Up in Most Areas in July

Not Seasonally Adjusted Unemployment Rates

Metropolitan Area	July 2022*	July 2021**	Over-the-Year Change
Bloomington	4.0%	4.9%	-0.9
Carbondale-Marion	4.6%	5.8%	-1.2
Champaign-Urbana	4.3%	5.3%	-1.0
Chicago-Naperville-Arlington Heights	4.9%	7.3%	-2.4
Danville	5.7%	6.8%	-1.1
Davenport-Moline-Rock Island, IA-IL	3.8%	5.3%	-1.5
Decatur	6.5%	7.7%	-1.2
Elgin	4.6%	5.7%	-1.1
Kankakee	5.3%	6.3%	-1.0
Lake-Kenosha, IL-WI	4.0%	4.9%	-0.9
Peoria	5.0%	6.0%	-1.0
Rockford	6.5%	8.8%	-2.3
Springfield	4.3%	5.5%	-1.2
St. Louis (IL-Section)	4.3%	5.6%	-1.3
Illinois Statewide	4.8%	6.6%	-1.8

* Preliminary | ** Revised

SPRINGFIELD – The unemployment rate decreased in all fourteen Illinois metropolitan areas in July according to preliminary data released today by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) and the Illinois Department of Employment Security (IDES). Jobs were up in all metro areas except one.

“Today’s data is an indication that economic recovery is taking place throughout the state,” **said Deputy Governor Andy Manar**. “As unemployment rates continue to decline and jobs increase, IDES is committed to providing training and employment services with its local partners to connect workers and employers together in the Illinois workforce.”

The metro areas which had the largest over-the-year percentage increases in total nonfarm jobs were the Rockford MSA (+5.5%, +7,600), the Davenport-Moline-Rock Island IA-IL MSA (+4.8%, +8,600), and the Chicago Metropolitan Division (+4.8%, +173,600). Total nonfarm jobs were down in the Illinois section of the St. Louis MSA (-0.2%, -500). Industries that saw job growth in a majority of metro areas included: Manufacturing and Leisure & Hospitality (fourteen areas); Mining & Construction and Professional & Business Services

(eleven areas each); Transportation, Warehousing & Utilities (ten areas); Retail Trade, Education & Health Services, and Other Services (nine areas each); Wholesale Trade and Government (eight areas each).

The metro areas with the largest unemployment rate decreases were the Chicago-Naperville-Arlington Heights Metropolitan Division (-2.4 points to 4.9%), the Rockford MSA (-2.3 points to 6.5%), and the Davenport-Moline-Rock Island IA-IL MSA (-1.5 points to 3.8%). The over-the-year unemployment rate decreased in 99 counties, increased in 2 counties, and remained unchanged in 1 county.

Total Nonfarm Jobs (Not Seasonally Adjusted) – July 2022

Metropolitan Area	July 2022*	July 2021**	Over-the-Year Change
Bloomington MSA	91,500	88,700	2,800
Carbondale-Marion MSA	56,800	54,900	1,900
Champaign-Urbana MSA	110,800	108,600	2,200
Chicago-Naperville-Arlington Heights Metro Division	3,808,500	3,634,900	173,600
Danville MSA	26,000	25,700	300
Davenport-Moline-Rock Island MSA	187,500	178,900	8,600
Decatur MSA	48,500	47,700	800
Elgin Metro Division	255,300	245,000	10,300
Kankakee MSA	42,900	42,100	800
Lake-County-Kenosha County Metro Division	428,600	415,100	13,500
Peoria MSA	167,500	164,900	2,600
Rockford MSA	146,800	139,200	7,600
Springfield MSA	108,600	104,400	4,200
Illinois Section of St. Louis MSA	234,600	235,100	-500
Illinois Statewide	6,080,400	5,842,300	238,100

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