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For the December 2020 estimates of household employment and unemployment from the Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS) program, BLS continued to implement level-shift outliers in the employment and/or unemployment inputs to the models, based on statistical evaluation of movements in each area's inputs. Both the Current Population Survey inputs, which serve as the primary inputs to the LAUS models, and the nonfarm payroll employment and unemployment insurance claims covariates were examined for outliers. The resulting implementation of level shifts preserved movements in the published estimates that the models otherwise would have discounted, without requiring changes to how the models create estimates at other points in the time series.

To mitigate distortions due to the complex relationships between level shifts in the household survey and covariate inputs to the state models, BLS retained the same modifications to the LAUS seasonal adjustment and smoothing procedures that had been introduced during the May 2020 cycle. Specifically, level shifts were isolated from the estimation of seasonal factors, and the Reproducing Kernel Hilbert Space filter was not used to smooth the seasonally adjusted estimates. It is anticipated that these modifications will be necessary for as long as complex outlier treatments are deemed necessary for the model inputs.

The "Frequently asked questions" document at www.bls.gov/covid19/employment-situation-covid19-faq-december-2020.htm extensively discusses the impact of a misclassification in the household survey on the national estimates for December 2020. Despite the considerable decline in its degree relative to prior months, this misclassification continued to be widespread geographically, with BLS analysis indicating that most states again were affected to at least some extent. However, according to usual practice, the data from the household survey are accepted as recorded. To maintain data integrity, no ad hoc actions are taken to reclassify survey responses. Hence, the household survey estimates of employed and unemployed people that serve as the primary inputs to the state models were affected to varying degrees by the misclassification, which in turn affected the official LAUS estimates for December 2020.



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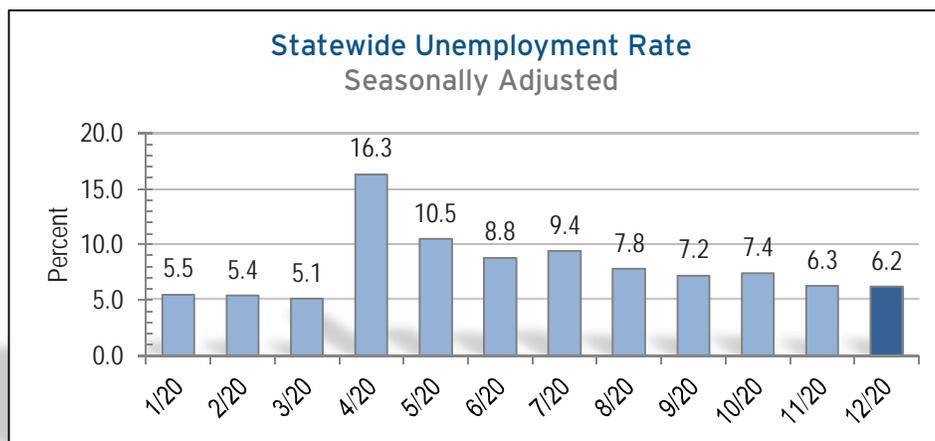
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Seasonally Adjusted Labor Force and Non-Farm Employment Data



Seasonally Adjusted Non-Farm Employment Estimates

	December 2020 Preliminary	November 2020 Revised	December 2019 Revised
Mississippi	1,141,500	1,137,100	1,157,900
United States	142,624,000	142,764,000	151,998,000

Seasonally Adjusted Labor Force Data Estimates

Mississippi	December 2020 Preliminary	November 2020 Revised	December 2019 Revised
Civilian Labor Force	1,269,200	1,275,700	1,281,000
Unemployed	78,400	80,500	71,200
Unemployment Rate	6.2	6.3	5.6
Employed	1,190,800	1,195,200	1,209,800

United States	December 2020 Preliminary	November 2020 Revised	December 2019 Revised
Civilian Labor Force	160,567,000	160,536,000	164,579,000
Unemployed	10,736,000	10,728,000	5,844,000
Unemployment Rate	6.7	6.7	3.6
Employed	149,830,000	149,809,000	158,735,000

Labor Force Highlights for December 2020

Labor force data presented are rounded estimates.

Seasonally Adjusted

The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for December 2020 at 6.2 decreased one-tenth of a percentage point over the month. The rate reported an over the year increase of six-tenths of a percentage point from 5.6 in December 2019. The Nation's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate at 6.7 percent was unchanged over the month but increased 3.1 percentage points over the year.

In December 2020, there were 4,400 more jobs in Mississippi than in November 2020, according to the seasonally adjusted results from a survey of Mississippi employers. Over the year since December 2019, the number of nonfarm jobs decreased 16,400.

Seasonally adjusted data removes the effects of events that follow a more or less regular pattern each year such as the influences of weather, holidays, the opening and closing of schools, and other recurring seasonal events. These adjustments make it easier to observe the cyclical and other non-seasonal movements in a data series. Amounts are seasonally adjusted at the National and State levels only.

Unadjusted

Mississippi's not seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for December 2020 at 5.9 percent was unchanged over the month. When compared to the December 2019 rate of 5.2 percent, the rate increased seven-tenths of a percentage point. The number of unemployed decreased 200 over the month, while the employed total decreased 7,900 from the prior month. The Nation's not seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for December 2020 at 6.5 percent increased one-tenth of a percentage point over the month, but was 3.1 percentage points higher than the year ago rate of 3.4 percent.

Mississippi's not seasonally adjusted nonfarm employment increased 2,500 over the month, but was 16,200 lower than one year ago. Trade, Transportation & Utilities sector registered the largest monthly employment gain.

For the month of December 2020, thirty counties in Mississippi posted unemployment rates less than or equal to the state's rate of 5.9 percent. Rankin County posted the lowest unemployment rate for the month of December at 3.7 percent followed by DeSoto County at 4.1 percent. Jefferson County had the highest unemployment rate for December at 17.4 percent followed by Wilkinson County at 14.1 percent.

Unemployment Rates

December, 2020

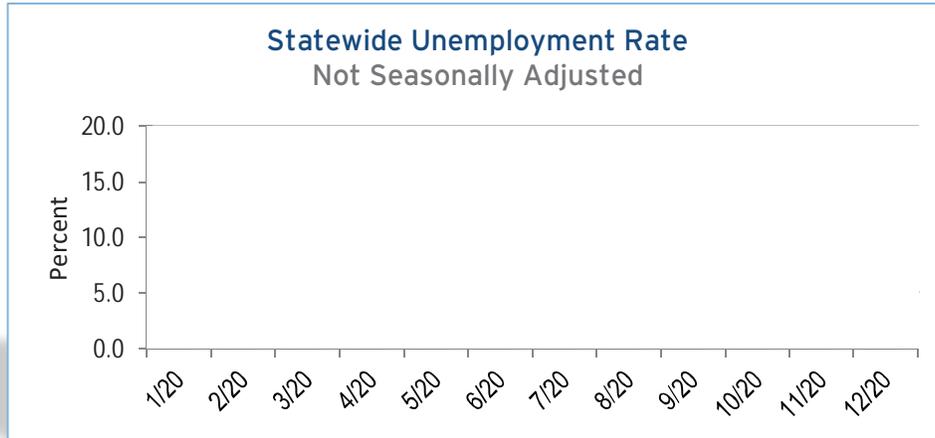
County Rankings

1	Rankin	3.7	42	Warren	6.5
2	DeSoto	4.1	42	Yalobusha	6.5
3	Lamar	4.2	44	Attala	6.6
4	Union	4.3	44	Montgomery	6.6
5	Itawamba	4.4	46	Hinds	6.7
5	Lafayette	4.4	47	Perry	6.8
5	Madison	4.4	47	Tallahatchie	6.8
5	Tishomingo	4.4	49	Chickasaw	6.9
9	Pontotoc	4.6	49	Copiah	6.9
10	Alcorn	4.7	49	Franklin	6.9
11	Prentiss	4.8	52	Clarke	7.0
11	Scott	4.8	52	Winston	7.0
11	Smith	4.8	54	Wayne	7.2
11	Tippah	4.8	54	Yazoo	7.2
15	Lee	5.0	56	George	7.4
16	Calhoun	5.4	56	Lawrence	7.4
16	Choctaw	5.4	58	Walthall	7.5
16	Grenada	5.4	59	Kemper	7.6
16	Newton	5.4	60	Bolivar	7.7
20	Oktibbeha	5.6	60	Pike	7.7
20	Tate	5.6	62	Panola	7.8
22	Marshall	5.7	63	Jasper	7.9
22	Simpson	5.7	64	Amite	8.1
22	Webster	5.7	64	Greene	8.1
25	Lauderdale	5.8	66	Jefferson Davis	8.2
25	Lincoln	5.8	67	Clay	8.8
25	Neshoba	5.8	67	Noxubee	8.8
28	Forrest	5.9	69	Issaquena	9.0
28	Harrison	5.9	70	Washington	9.1
28	Jones	5.9	71	Adams	9.2
31	Stone	6.0	72	Coahoma	9.4
32	Leake	6.1	72	Leflore	9.4
32	Marion	6.1	74	Tunica	9.5
32	Monroe	6.1	75	Quitman	9.6
35	Benton	6.2	76	Sunflower	9.7
35	Carroll	6.2	77	Sharkey	10.0
37	Covington	6.3	78	Claiborne	11.7
37	Pearl River	6.3	79	Holmes	12.2
39	Hancock	6.4	80	Humphreys	13.0
39	Jackson	6.4	81	Wilkinson	14.1
39	Lowndes	6.4	82	Jefferson	17.4

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Note: Unless indicated state and county data presented are not seasonally adjusted.

Not Seasonally Adjusted



◇ Unemployment insurance amounts presented in this section only represent regular UI benefits; federal program amounts are not included.

Not Seasonally Adjusted Labor Force and Employment Security Data

Labor Force Data Estimates

Mississippi	December 2020 Preliminary	November 2020 Revised	December 2019 Revised	2019 Annual Average	Moving** Average
Civilian Labor Force	1,268,700	1,276,800	1,280,000	1,276,100	1,250,900
Unemployed	75,500	75,700	66,900	69,200	98,200
Unemployment Rate	5.9	5.9	5.2	5.4	7.9
Employed	1,193,200	1,201,100	1,213,100	1,206,900	1,152,700

United States	December 2020 Preliminary	November 2020 Revised	December 2019 Revised	2019 Annual Average	Moving** Average
Civilian Labor Force	160,017,000	160,468,000	164,007,000	163,539,000	160,742,000
Unemployed	10,404,000	10,264,000	5,503,000	6,001,000	12,948,000
Unemployment Rate	6.5	6.4	3.4	3.7	8.1
Employed	149,613,000	150,203,000	158,504,000	157,538,000	147,795,000

** Average for most recent twelve months, including current month.

Labor force amounts are produced in cooperation with the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Unemployment Insurance Data [◇]

Mississippi	December 2020	November 2020	December 2019
Initial UI Claims	21,225	14,757	6,351
Continued Claims	128,298	165,310	38,188
Benefits Paid	\$13,817,472	\$18,024,709	\$5,303,941
Weeks Paid	76,536	102,616	25,315
First Payments	2,524	2,089	1,615
Final Payments	4,969	7,739	511
Average Weekly Benefit	\$180.54	\$175.65	\$209.52

◇ Unemployment Insurance amounts presented in this section only represent regular UI benefits; federal program amounts are not included.

Labor Force Estimates

Place of residence - Persons 16 years of age and older

Area	Preliminary December 2020			
	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployment	
			Number	Rate
Mississippi	1,268,700	1,193,200	75,500	5.9
Gulfport-Biloxi-Pascagoula MSA	166,610	156,370	10,240	6.1
Hattiesburg MSA	70,730	67,050	3,680	5.2
Jackson MSA	266,910	252,470	14,440	5.4
United States	160,017,000	149,613,000	10,404,000	6.5
United States^{-adjusted}	160,567,000	149,830,000	10,736,000	6.7
Counties				
Adams	11,340	10,300	1,040	9.2
Alcorn	16,210	15,450	760	4.7
Amite	4,510	4,140	370	8.1
Attala	7,100	6,630	470	6.6
Benton	3,080	2,890	190	6.2
Bolivar	11,670	10,770	900	7.7
Calhoun	5,370	5,080	290	5.4
Carroll	3,340	3,130	210	6.2
Chickasaw	6,900	6,420	480	6.9
Choctaw	3,640	3,440	200	5.4
Claiborne	3,000	2,650	350	11.7
Clarke	5,740	5,340	400	7.0
Clay	7,390	6,740	650	8.8
Coahoma	8,330	7,540	790	9.4
Copiah	11,140	10,370	770	6.9
Covington	8,140	7,630	510	6.3
DeSoto	91,770	87,970	3,800	4.1
Forrest	34,620	32,560	2,060	5.9
Franklin	2,830	2,630	200	6.9
George	8,680	8,040	640	7.4
Greene	4,240	3,890	350	8.1
Grenada	9,430	8,920	510	5.4
Hancock	19,000	17,790	1,210	6.4
Harrison	88,080	82,840	5,240	5.9
Hinds	107,710	100,450	7,260	6.7
Holmes	5,530	4,860	670	12.2
Humphreys	2,220	1,930	290	13.0
Issaquena	330	300	30	9.0
Itawamba	10,530	10,060	470	4.4
Jackson	59,520	55,740	3,780	6.4
Jasper	5,970	5,500	470	7.9
Jefferson	1,960	1,620	340	17.4
Jefferson Davis	3,980	3,650	330	8.2
Jones	25,200	23,700	1,500	5.9
Kemper	3,410	3,150	260	7.6
Lafayette	26,580	25,410	1,170	4.4
Lamar	31,710	30,380	1,330	4.2
Lauderdale	29,570	27,840	1,730	5.8
Lawrence	4,630	4,290	340	7.4

Labor Force Estimates

Place of residence - Persons 16 years of age and older

Area	Revised November 2020				Revised December 2019			
	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployment		Labor Force	Employed	Unemployment	
			Number	Rate			Number	Rate
Mississippi	1,276,800	1,201,100	75,700	5.9	1,280,000	1,213,100	66,900	5.2
G-B-P MSA	167,660	157,210	10,450	6.2	164,990	156,130	8,860	5.4
Hattiesburg MSA	71,470	67,710	3,760	5.3	68,980	65,940	3,040	4.4
Jackson MSA	269,480	254,950	14,530	5.4	268,250	256,230	12,020	4.5
United States	160,468,000	150,203,000	10,264,000	6.4	164,007,000	158,504,000	5,503,000	3.4
United States^{-adjusted}	160,536,000	149,809,000	10,728,000	6.7	164,579,000	158,735,000	5,844,000	3.6
Counties								
Adams	11,430	10,400	1,030	9.0	11,440	10,630	810	7.0
Alcorn	16,070	15,350	720	4.5	16,160	15,430	730	4.5
Amite	4,460	4,110	350	7.8	4,390	4,070	320	7.3
Attala	7,070	6,600	470	6.6	7,050	6,610	440	6.2
Benton	3,090	2,900	190	6.2	3,090	2,900	190	6.1
Bolivar	11,660	10,820	840	7.2	12,050	11,140	910	7.6
Calhoun	5,300	5,020	280	5.3	5,550	5,240	310	5.6
Carroll	3,330	3,120	210	6.2	3,470	3,250	220	6.2
Chickasaw	6,890	6,400	490	7.0	6,840	6,490	350	5.2
Choctaw	3,630	3,440	190	5.3	3,730	3,510	220	5.9
Claiborne	3,030	2,660	370	12.1	3,040	2,710	330	10.8
Clarke	5,750	5,360	390	6.8	5,940	5,570	370	6.3
Clay	7,510	6,830	680	9.0	7,800	7,160	640	8.1
Coahoma	8,310	7,540	770	9.3	8,270	7,620	650	7.8
Copiah	11,180	10,420	760	6.8	11,150	10,480	670	6.0
Covington	8,190	7,690	500	6.1	8,160	7,780	380	4.6
DeSoto	92,180	88,260	3,920	4.3	92,290	88,520	3,770	4.1
Forrest	34,960	32,870	2,090	6.0	33,580	32,020	1,560	4.6
Franklin	2,850	2,650	200	7.0	2,780	2,570	210	7.5
George	8,630	8,020	610	7.1	8,850	8,160	690	7.8
Greene	4,150	3,840	310	7.4	4,370	3,980	390	9.0
Grenada	9,440	8,930	510	5.4	9,370	8,910	460	4.9
Hancock	19,100	17,890	1,210	6.3	18,920	17,890	1,030	5.4
Harrison	88,730	83,290	5,440	6.1	87,110	82,720	4,390	5.0
Hinds	108,930	101,530	7,400	6.8	107,230	101,990	5,240	4.9
Holmes	5,560	4,900	660	11.9	5,670	5,100	570	10.0
Humphreys	2,150	1,890	260	12.1	2,200	1,940	260	11.7
Issaquena	310	290	20	7.3	370	340	30	8.9
Itawamba	10,530	10,070	460	4.3	10,580	10,130	450	4.3
Jackson	59,840	56,030	3,810	6.4	58,960	55,520	3,440	5.8
Jasper	5,970	5,520	450	7.6	6,200	5,720	480	7.8
Jefferson	1,930	1,610	320	16.6	2,060	1,700	360	17.3
Jefferson Davis	4,040	3,710	330	8.2	4,110	3,840	270	6.6
Jones	25,380	23,870	1,510	5.9	26,100	24,770	1,330	5.1
Kemper	3,410	3,140	270	7.8	3,510	3,250	260	7.4
Lafayette	27,810	26,660	1,150	4.1	28,900	27,830	1,070	3.7
Lamar	32,080	30,700	1,380	4.3	31,080	29,880	1,200	3.9
Lauderdale	29,800	28,070	1,730	5.8	30,640	29,080	1,560	5.1
Lawrence	4,650	4,300	350	7.4	4,600	4,280	320	7.0

Labor Force Estimates

Place of residence - Persons 16 years of age and older

Area	Preliminary December 2020			
	Labor	Employed	Unemployment	
			Number	Rate
Counties				
Leake	7,940	7,450	490	6.1
Lee	41,670	39,570	2,100	5.0
Leflore	9,850	8,930	920	9.4
Lincoln	14,560	13,720	840	5.8
Lowndes	24,810	23,210	1,600	6.4
Madison	52,730	50,410	2,320	4.4
Marion	9,740	9,150	590	6.1
Marshall	14,560	13,730	830	5.7
Monroe	15,160	14,240	920	6.1
Montgomery	3,960	3,700	260	6.6
Neshoba	9,790	9,220	570	5.8
Newton	8,470	8,010	460	5.4
Noxubee	3,600	3,280	320	8.8
Oktibbeha	22,090	20,850	1,240	5.6
Panola	12,530	11,550	980	7.8
Pearl River	23,460	21,970	1,490	6.3
Perry	4,420	4,120	300	6.8
Pike	14,850	13,700	1,150	7.7
Pontotoc	14,810	14,130	680	4.6
Prentiss	11,010	10,480	530	4.8
Quitman	2,200	1,990	210	9.6
Rankin	75,270	72,460	2,810	3.7
Scott	12,820	12,210	610	4.8
Sharkey	1,500	1,350	150	10.0
Simpson	10,700	10,090	610	5.7
Smith	6,560	6,240	320	4.8
Stone	6,730	6,330	400	6.0
Sunflower	7,610	6,870	740	9.7
Tallahatchie	4,850	4,520	330	6.8
Tate	12,450	11,750	700	5.6
Tippah	9,170	8,730	440	4.8
Tishomingo	8,550	8,180	370	4.4
Tunica	4,650	4,210	440	9.5
Union	14,250	13,640	610	4.3
Walthall	4,890	4,520	370	7.5
Warren	20,060	18,750	1,310	6.5
Washington	16,760	15,230	1,530	9.1
Wayne	7,310	6,780	530	7.2
Webster	3,850	3,630	220	5.7
Wilkinson	2,810	2,410	400	14.1
Winston	7,260	6,750	510	7.0
Yalobusha	4,730	4,420	310	6.5
Yazoo	9,370	8,690	680	7.2

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Place of residence - Persons 16 years of age and older

Area	Revised November 2020				Revised December 2019			
	Labor	Employed	Unemployment		Labor	Employed	Unemployment	
			Number	Rate			Number	Rate
Counties								
Leake	7,830	7,380	450	5.8	7,800	7,380	420	5.4
Lee	41,940	39,770	2,170	5.2	41,680	39,980	1,700	4.1
Leflore	9,830	8,940	890	9.0	10,040	9,290	750	7.5
Lincoln	14,640	13,810	830	5.7	14,650	13,800	850	5.8
Lowndes	25,020	23,430	1,590	6.3	25,740	24,430	1,310	5.1
Madison	53,270	50,950	2,320	4.3	53,410	51,240	2,170	4.1
Marion	9,780	9,190	590	6.1	10,010	9,460	550	5.5
Marshall	14,600	13,760	840	5.8	14,670	13,830	840	5.8
Monroe	15,410	14,460	950	6.2	15,680	14,870	810	5.1
Montgomery	3,980	3,720	260	6.4	3,890	3,660	230	6.0
Neshoba	9,730	9,160	570	5.9	10,020	9,430	590	5.9
Newton	8,530	8,080	450	5.2	8,920	8,440	480	5.3
Noxubee	3,570	3,230	340	9.4	3,750	3,470	280	7.4
Oktibbeha	22,570	21,310	1,260	5.6	22,830	21,710	1,120	4.9
Panola	12,540	11,540	1,000	8.0	12,610	11,820	790	6.2
Pearl River	23,690	22,240	1,450	6.1	23,920	22,730	1,190	5.0
Perry	4,440	4,150	290	6.6	4,340	4,050	290	6.6
Pike	14,910	13,730	1,180	7.9	14,500	13,570	930	6.4
Pontotoc	14,860	14,180	680	4.6	14,920	14,310	610	4.1
Prentiss	11,150	10,610	540	4.9	11,300	10,790	510	4.5
Quitman	2,130	1,930	200	9.6	2,320	2,120	200	8.6
Rankin	75,990	73,230	2,760	3.6	76,390	73,550	2,840	3.7
Scott	12,740	12,140	600	4.7	12,580	12,050	530	4.2
Sharkey	1,490	1,360	130	8.8	1,610	1,450	160	9.9
Simpson	10,740	10,150	590	5.5	10,730	10,210	520	4.9
Smith	6,520	6,210	310	4.7	6,770	6,400	370	5.5
Stone	6,810	6,400	410	6.0	6,880	6,470	410	6.0
Sunflower	7,580	6,860	720	9.5	7,710	6,900	810	10.5
Tallahatchie	4,750	4,430	320	6.8	5,200	4,870	330	6.3
Tate	12,480	11,730	750	6.0	12,450	11,790	660	5.3
Tippah	9,250	8,810	440	4.7	9,420	9,000	420	4.5
Tishomingo	8,590	8,220	370	4.3	8,580	8,120	460	5.3
Tunica	4,650	4,180	470	10.0	4,460	4,180	280	6.2
Union	14,270	13,660	610	4.3	14,440	13,850	590	4.1
Walthall	4,920	4,550	370	7.5	4,900	4,550	350	7.2
Warren	20,200	18,890	1,310	6.5	20,420	19,230	1,190	5.8
Washington	16,630	15,140	1,490	9.0	16,990	15,650	1,340	7.9
Wayne	7,310	6,780	530	7.3	7,350	6,900	450	6.1
Webster	3,900	3,690	210	5.4	3,990	3,770	220	5.4
Wilkinson	2,820	2,420	400	14.1	2,860	2,550	310	10.7
Winston	7,270	6,770	500	6.9	7,400	6,980	420	5.6
Yalobusha	4,810	4,520	290	6.0	4,970	4,720	250	5.0
Yazoo	9,400	8,690	710	7.5	9,340	8,770	570	6.1

Labor Force Estimates

Place of residence - Persons 16 years of age and older

Area	Preliminary December 2020			
	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployment	
			Number	Rate
Workforce Development Areas				
Delta	91,370	83,180	8,190	9.0
Mississippi Partnership	399,930	379,300	20,630	5.2
Southcentral MS	352,360	331,200	21,160	6.0
Twin Districts	425,100	399,530	25,570	6.0
Planning and Development Districts				
Central Mississippi	286,980	271,220	15,760	5.5
East Central	90,270	84,960	5,310	5.9
Golden Triangle	72,640	67,900	4,740	6.5
North Central	43,940	40,590	3,350	7.6
North Delta	136,780	129,530	7,250	5.3
Northeast	62,580	59,460	3,120	5.0
South Delta	40,090	36,450	3,640	9.1
Southern	334,830	314,570	20,260	6.1
Southwest	65,380	59,980	5,400	8.3
Three Rivers	135,270	128,550	6,720	5.0
Community College Districts - For Coahoma & Meridian Community College Districts refer to county data.				
Copiah-Lincoln	57,160	53,020	4,140	7.2
East Central	46,280	43,640	2,640	5.7
East Mississippi	61,300	57,230	4,070	6.6
Gulf Coast	163,010	152,950	10,060	6.2
Hinds	206,040	194,310	11,730	5.7
Holmes	98,950	93,410	5,540	5.6
Itawamba	89,070	84,420	4,650	5.2
Jones	67,580	63,200	4,380	6.5
Mississippi Delta	49,940	45,380	4,560	9.1
Northeast	59,190	56,480	2,710	4.6
Northwest	182,770	173,520	9,250	5.1
Pearl River	122,510	115,500	7,010	5.7
Southwest	27,060	24,770	2,290	8.5
Cities				
Biloxi	19,710	18,640	1,070	5.4
Clinton	12,890	12,390	500	3.9
Columbus	9,720	9,000	720	7.4
Greenville	11,230	10,220	1,010	9.0
Gulfport	29,450	27,440	2,010	6.8
Hattiesburg	22,470	21,120	1,350	6.0
Hattiesburg ¹	19,520	18,280	1,240	6.3
Hattiesburg ²	2,950	2,840	110	3.7
Horn Lake	13,020	12,420	600	4.6
Jackson	72,850	67,400	5,450	7.5
Madison	12,960	12,560	400	3.0
Meridian	14,260	13,290	970	6.8
Moss Point	5,220	4,800	420	8.0
Olive Branch	20,250	19,630	620	3.1
Pascagoula	8,880	8,260	620	7.0
Pearl	12,600	12,090	510	4.0
Southaven	28,280	27,260	1,020	3.6
Starkville	12,010	11,360	650	5.4
Tupelo	17,980	17,010	970	5.4
Vicksburg	9,000	8,310	690	7.7

Labor Force Estimates

Place of residence - Persons 16 years of age and older

Area	Revised November 2020				Revised December 2019			
	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployment		Labor Force	Employed	Unemployment	
			Number	Rate			Number	Rate
Workforce Development Areas								
Delta	90,920	82,940	7,980	8.8	92,970	85,670	7,300	7.9
Miss. Partnership	403,190	382,330	20,860	5.2	407,070	388,010	19,060	4.7
Southcentral MS	355,350	334,100	21,250	6.0	353,890	335,900	17,990	5.1
Twin Districts	427,410	401,730	25,680	6.0	426,120	403,490	22,630	5.3
Planning and Development Districts								
Central Mississippi	289,710	273,860	15,850	5.5	288,670	275,470	13,200	4.6
East Central	90,280	85,060	5,220	5.8	92,380	87,320	5,060	5.5
Golden Triangle	73,470	68,700	4,770	6.5	75,240	71,030	4,210	5.6
North Central	44,020	40,730	3,290	7.5	44,460	41,540	2,920	6.6
North Delta	137,040	129,610	7,430	5.4	137,600	130,920	6,680	4.9
Northeast	62,750	59,650	3,100	4.9	63,220	60,070	3,150	5.0
South Delta	39,820	36,360	3,460	8.7	40,930	37,420	3,510	8.6
Southern	337,130	316,670	20,460	6.1	333,740	316,170	17,570	5.3
Southwest	65,640	60,240	5,400	8.2	65,220	60,430	4,790	7.3
Three Rivers	137,010	130,220	6,790	5.0	138,590	132,700	5,890	4.2
Community College Districts - For Coahoma & Meridian Community College Districts refer to county data.								
Copiah-Lincoln	57,420	53,340	4,080	7.1	57,410	53,670	3,740	6.5
East Central	46,100	43,530	2,570	5.6	46,720	44,280	2,440	5.2
East Mississippi	62,080	57,940	4,140	6.7	63,630	60,020	3,610	5.7
Gulf Coast	164,010	153,740	10,270	6.3	161,800	152,870	8,930	5.5
Hinds	208,150	196,310	11,840	5.7	207,080	197,480	9,600	4.6
Holmes	99,580	94,040	5,540	5.6	99,920	94,820	5,100	5.1
Itawamba	89,630	84,880	4,750	5.3	89,700	85,780	3,920	4.4
Jones	67,710	63,420	4,290	6.3	69,230	65,170	4,060	5.9
Mississippi Delta	49,650	45,300	4,350	8.8	50,970	46,710	4,260	8.4
Northeast	59,330	56,650	2,680	4.5	59,900	57,190	2,710	4.5
Northwest	184,340	174,930	9,410	5.1	186,510	177,820	8,690	4.7
Pearl River	123,650	116,600	7,050	5.7	121,620	115,820	5,800	4.8
Southwest	27,110	24,810	2,300	8.5	26,650	24,740	1,910	7.2
Cities								
Biloxi	19,890	18,740	1,150	5.8	19,520	18,610	910	4.6
Clinton	13,020	12,530	490	3.8	13,080	12,580	500	3.8
Columbus	9,810	9,080	730	7.5	10,020	9,470	550	5.5
Greenville	11,190	10,170	1,020	9.1	11,300	10,510	790	7.0
Gulfport	29,690	27,590	2,100	7.1	28,860	27,400	1,460	5.0
Hattiesburg	22,650	21,320	1,330	5.9	21,670	20,770	900	4.1
Hattiesburg ¹	19,680	18,460	1,220	6.2	18,770	17,980	790	4.2
Hattiesburg ²	2,980	2,870	110	3.5	2,900	2,790	110	3.9
Horn Lake	13,110	12,460	650	5.0	13,040	12,500	540	4.1
Jackson	73,750	68,120	5,630	7.6	72,060	68,430	3,630	5.0
Madison	13,100	12,700	400	3.0	13,190	12,770	420	3.2
Meridian	14,370	13,400	970	6.8	14,670	13,880	790	5.4
Moss Point	5,260	4,820	440	8.4	5,130	4,780	350	6.8
Olive Branch	20,370	19,700	670	3.3	20,450	19,760	690	3.4
Pascagoula	8,930	8,300	630	7.1	8,740	8,220	520	6.0
Pearl	12,740	12,220	520	4.1	12,740	12,270	470	3.7
Southaven	28,330	27,340	990	3.5	28,450	27,430	1,020	3.6
Starkville	12,270	11,610	660	5.4	12,350	11,830	520	4.2
Tupelo	18,170	17,090	1,080	5.9	17,960	17,180	780	4.3
Vicksburg	9,060	8,370	690	7.6	9,090	8,520	570	6.2

Hattiesburg 1/ Forrest County part Hattiesburg 2/ Lamar County part

Twelve Month Moving Averages

As of December 2020

Area	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployment	
			Number	Rate
Mississippi	1,250,900	1,152,700	98,200	7.9
Gulfport-Biloxi-Pascagoula MSA	163,670	148,950	14,720	9.0
Hattiesburg MSA	67,910	63,270	4,640	6.8
Jackson MSA	262,510	243,640	18,870	7.2
United States	160,742,000	147,795,000	12,948,000	8.1
Workforce Development Areas				
Delta	91,740	82,020	9,720	10.6
Mississippi Partnership	394,450	365,960	28,490	7.2
Southcentral MS	346,320	319,750	26,570	7.7
Twin Districts	418,510	385,050	33,460	8.0
Counties				
Adams	11,100	9,960	1,140	10.3
Alcorn	15,760	14,820	940	6.0
Amite	4,370	4,000	370	8.5
Attala	6,940	6,370	570	8.2
Benton	2,980	2,740	240	8.1
Bolivar	11,760	10,780	980	8.3
Calhoun	5,520	5,080	440	8.0
Carroll	3,350	3,090	260	7.8
Chickasaw	6,940	6,200	740	10.7
Choctaw	3,610	3,380	230	6.4
Claiborne	3,010	2,580	430	14.3
Clarke	5,750	5,270	480	8.3
Clay	7,690	6,790	900	11.7
Coahoma	8,420	7,410	1,010	12.0
Copiah	10,900	10,040	860	7.9
Covington	7,960	7,400	560	7.0
DeSoto	88,500	83,240	5,260	5.9
Forrest	33,270	30,730	2,540	7.6
Franklin	2,770	2,540	230	8.3
George	8,640	7,850	790	9.1
Greene	4,230	3,820	410	9.7
Grenada	9,260	8,610	650	7.0
Hancock	18,590	17,060	1,530	8.2
Harrison	86,770	78,920	7,850	9.0
Hinds	106,200	96,840	9,360	8.8
Holmes	5,670	4,800	870	15.3
Humphreys	2,270	1,950	320	14.1
Issaquena	350	320	30	8.6
Itawamba	10,330	9,620	710	6.9
Jackson	58,300	52,970	5,330	9.1
Jasper	6,000	5,470	530	8.8
Jefferson	1,950	1,600	350	17.9
Jefferson Davis	4,000	3,630	370	9.3
Jones	25,270	23,510	1,760	7.0
Kemper	3,450	3,120	330	9.6
Lafayette	27,160	25,570	1,590	5.9
Lamar	30,390	28,640	1,750	5.8

Twelve Month Moving Averages

As of December 2020

Area	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployment	
			Number	Rate
Counties - continued				
Lauderdale	29,370	27,270	2,100	7.2
Lawrence	4,530	4,140	390	8.6
Leake	7,880	7,270	610	7.7
Lee	40,950	37,700	3,250	7.9
Leflore	9,810	8,780	1,030	10.5
Lincoln	14,280	13,240	1,040	7.3
Lowndes	24,640	22,620	2,020	8.2
Madison	51,930	48,660	3,270	6.3
Marion	9,640	8,940	700	7.3
Marshall	14,070	13,040	1,030	7.3
Monroe	15,290	13,930	1,360	8.9
Montgomery	3,890	3,580	310	8.0
Neshoba	10,090	9,150	940	9.3
Newton	8,540	7,910	630	7.4
Noxubee	3,710	3,290	420	11.3
Oktober	21,920	20,300	1,620	7.4
Panola	12,330	11,120	1,210	9.8
Pearl River	22,990	21,340	1,650	7.2
Perry	4,260	3,910	350	8.2
Pike	14,410	13,140	1,270	8.8
Pontotoc	14,660	13,540	1,120	7.6
Prentiss	11,000	10,240	760	6.9
Quitman	2,280	2,030	250	11.0
Rankin	73,640	69,860	3,780	5.1
Scott	12,470	11,750	720	5.8
Sharkey	1,560	1,400	160	10.3
Simpson	10,460	9,770	690	6.6
Smith	6,570	6,200	370	5.6
Stone	6,720	6,190	530	7.9
Sunflower	7,630	6,810	820	10.7
Tallahatchie	5,000	4,620	380	7.6
Tate	12,080	11,180	900	7.5
Tippah	9,140	8,510	630	6.9
Tishomingo	8,440	7,900	540	6.4
Tunica	4,670	4,010	660	14.1
Union	14,100	13,120	980	7.0
Walthall	4,780	4,370	410	8.6
Warren	19,870	18,160	1,710	8.6
Washington	16,640	14,900	1,740	10.5
Wayne	7,360	6,730	630	8.6
Webster	3,860	3,580	280	7.3
Wilkinson	2,740	2,370	370	13.5
Winston	7,250	6,630	620	8.6
Yalobusha	4,760	4,380	380	8.0
Yazoo	9,380	8,480	900	9.6
Planning and Development Districts				
Central Mississippi	282,380	261,810	20,570	7.3
East Central	90,120	83,410	6,710	7.4
Golden Triangle	72,680	66,590	6,090	8.4
North Central	43,680	39,610	4,070	9.3
North Delta	133,280	123,610	9,670	7.3
Northeast	61,390	57,250	4,140	6.7
South Delta	40,210	36,160	4,050	10.1
Southern	328,390	301,640	26,750	8.1
Southwest	63,940	57,940	6,000	9.4
Three Rivers	134,950	124,760	10,190	7.6
Community College Districts*				
Copiah-Lincoln	55,990	51,290	4,700	8.4
East Central	46,230	42,710	3,520	7.6
East Mississippi	61,410	56,120	5,290	8.6
Gulf Coast	160,430	145,930	14,500	9.0
Hinds	202,720	187,440	15,280	7.5
Holmes	97,890	90,550	7,340	7.5
Itawamba	88,170	80,990	7,180	8.1
Jones	67,400	62,310	5,090	7.6
Mississippi Delta	50,020	44,940	5,080	10.2
Northeast	58,440	54,590	3,850	6.6
Northwest	179,350	167,010	12,340	6.9
Pearl River	118,880	110,340	8,540	7.2
Southwest	26,300	23,880	2,420	9.2
Cities				
Biloxi	19,650	17,760	1,890	9.6
Clinton	12,620	11,950	670	5.3
Columbus	9,670	8,760	910	9.4
Greenville	11,200	10,010	1,190	10.6
Gulfport	29,180	26,140	3,040	10.4
Hattiesburg	21,610	19,930	1,680	7.8
Hattiesburg ¹	18,780	17,260	1,520	8.1
Hattiesburg ²	2,830	2,670	160	5.7
Horn Lake	12,720	11,750	970	7.6
Jackson	72,080	64,980	7,100	9.9
Madison	12,700	12,130	570	4.5
Meridian	14,150	13,010	1,140	8.1
Moss Point	5,100	4,560	540	10.6
Olive Branch	19,480	18,580	900	4.6
Pascagoula	8,660	7,850	810	9.4
Pearl	12,370	11,660	710	5.7
Southaven	27,260	25,790	1,470	5.4
Starkville	11,920	11,060	860	7.2
Tupelo	17,820	16,210	1,610	9.0
Vicksburg	8,970	8,050	920	10.3

*For Coahoma and Meridian Community College Districts refer to county data.
Hattiesburg 1/ Forrest County part Hattiesburg 2/ Lamar County part

Five Year Comparison of Unemployment Rates

As of December 2020

Area	Current Month Dec-2020	1 Year Ago Dec-2019	2 Years Ago Dec-2018	3 Years Ago Dec-2017	4 Years Ago Dec-2016	5 Years Ago Dec-2015
Mississippi	5.9	5.2	4.8	4.5	5.4	6.3
United States	6.5	3.4	3.7	3.9	4.5	4.8
United States ^{-adjusted}	6.7	3.6	3.9	4.1	4.7	5.0
MSAs						
Gulfport-Biloxi-Pascagoula	6.1	5.4	5.1	4.8	5.6	6.3
Hattiesburg	5.2	4.4	4.1	3.9	4.8	5.6
Jackson	5.4	4.5	4.2	3.9	4.6	5.3
Workforce Development Areas						
Delta	9.0	7.9	6.9	6.8	8.2	9.6
Miss Partnership	5.2	4.7	4.3	4.0	4.8	5.8
Southcentral MS	6.0	5.1	4.6	4.3	5.1	5.9
Twin Districts	6.0	5.3	4.9	4.7	5.5	6.3
Counties						
Adams	9.2	7.0	6.2	6.2	7.6	8.5
Alcorn	4.7	4.5	4.1	3.9	4.8	5.5
Amite	8.1	7.3	6.3	5.8	6.7	8.0
Attala	6.6	6.2	5.5	5.8	6.1	7.6
Benton	6.2	6.1	5.4	5.2	5.6	7.2
Bolivar	7.7	7.6	6.3	5.9	6.8	7.8
Calhoun	5.4	5.6	4.9	4.1	4.7	5.9
Carroll	6.2	6.2	5.5	5.7	6.7	8.6
Chickasaw	6.9	5.2	4.8	4.6	5.9	7.0
Choctaw	5.4	5.9	4.7	5.2	5.0	6.3
Claiborne	11.7	10.8	8.7	8.8	10.3	11.7
Clarke	7.0	6.3	5.3	5.6	6.1	7.4
Clay	8.8	8.1	5.6	5.9	7.1	8.5
Coahoma	9.4	7.8	7.2	6.7	8.6	10.0
Copiah	6.9	6.0	6.1	5.2	6.1	7.0
Covington	6.3	4.6	4.4	4.3	4.9	5.7
DeSoto	4.1	4.1	3.8	3.4	3.8	4.7
Forrest	5.9	4.6	4.3	4.1	5.2	6.0
Franklin	6.9	7.5	6.2	6.5	6.6	7.8
George	7.4	7.8	7.2	7.0	6.6	7.7
Greene	8.1	9.0	6.8	7.4	6.5	8.0
Grenada	5.4	4.9	4.2	4.1	4.8	5.7
Hancock	6.4	5.4	5.1	4.9	5.7	6.4
Harrison	5.9	5.0	4.6	4.4	5.2	5.8
Hinds	6.7	4.9	4.6	4.3	5.0	5.9
Holmes	12.2	10.0	8.7	8.6	10.4	11.4
Humphreys	13.0	11.7	9.4	8.3	10.8	12.6
Issaquena	9.0	8.9	10.8	9.9	15.3	17.3
Itawamba	4.4	4.3	4.2	3.6	4.7	5.4
Jackson	6.4	5.8	5.8	5.5	6.2	6.8
Jasper	7.9	7.8	5.9	5.7	7.0	8.0
Jefferson	17.4	17.3	12.2	12.9	12.2	14.7
Jefferson Davis	8.2	6.6	6.1	5.5	7.1	8.0
Jones	5.9	5.1	4.8	4.5	5.8	6.3
Kemper	7.6	7.4	7.2	6.9	8.2	8.9
Lafayette	4.4	3.7	3.9	3.6	4.4	5.3

Five Year Comparison of Unemployment Rates

As of December 2020

Area	Current Month Dec-2020	1 Year Ago Dec-2019	2 Years Ago Dec-2018	3 Years Ago Dec-2017	4 Years Ago Dec-2016	5 Years Ago Dec-2015
Counties						
Lamar	4.2	3.9	3.7	3.3	4.1	4.8
Lauderdale	5.8	5.1	4.8	4.8	5.4	6.2
Lawrence	7.4	7.0	6.4	5.9	6.4	7.3
Leake	6.1	5.4	5.0	5.0	6.3	6.2
Lee	5.0	4.1	3.8	3.5	4.3	5.0
Leflore	9.4	7.5	7.2	7.1	8.9	11.0
Lincoln	5.8	5.8	5.1	4.7	5.3	6.1
Lowndes	6.4	5.1	4.7	4.7	5.5	6.7
Madison	4.4	4.1	3.7	3.4	4.0	4.5
Marion	6.1	5.5	4.8	4.5	5.9	6.7
Marshall	5.7	5.8	4.9	4.6	5.1	6.7
Monroe	6.1	5.1	4.9	4.4	5.5	6.6
Montgomery	6.6	6.0	5.5	5.1	5.6	7.7
Neshoba	5.8	5.9	5.3	4.8	5.8	6.4
Newton	5.4	5.3	4.8	4.8	5.4	6.3
Noxubee	8.8	7.4	6.5	6.6	7.5	8.7
Oktibbeha	5.6	4.9	4.9	4.5	4.9	5.9
Panola	7.8	6.2	5.7	5.9	6.4	8.0
Pearl River	6.3	5.0	4.7	4.6	5.5	6.2
Perry	6.8	6.6	6.1	6.0	6.4	8.0
Pike	7.7	6.4	5.8	5.5	6.1	7.6
Pontotoc	4.6	4.1	3.8	3.4	4.3	5.2
Prentiss	4.8	4.5	4.5	3.9	5.1	6.0
Quitman	9.6	8.6	7.5	8.6	10.0	10.8
Rankin	3.7	3.7	3.5	3.2	3.8	4.3
Scott	4.8	4.2	4.0	3.7	4.4	4.9
Sharkey	10.0	9.9	8.3	7.6	10.0	10.2
Simpson	5.7	4.9	4.6	4.5	5.1	5.7
Smith	4.8	5.5	4.7	4.3	5.1	5.8
Stone	6.0	6.0	5.9	5.1	6.6	7.2
Sunflower	9.7	10.5	8.5	8.6	9.6	11.1
Tallahatchie	6.8	6.3	5.2	4.8	6.6	8.0
Tate	5.6	5.3	4.8	4.7	5.1	6.6
Tippah	4.8	4.5	4.4	4.1	5.0	6.0
Tishomingo	4.4	5.3	4.6	4.4	5.2	6.0
Tunica	9.5	6.2	5.5	5.3	7.2	8.4
Union	4.3	4.1	3.5	3.2	4.1	4.8
Walthall	7.5	7.2	6.5	5.6	6.9	7.7
Warren	6.5	5.8	5.4	5.2	5.8	6.6
Washington	9.1	7.9	7.1	7.0	8.6	10.0
Wayne	7.2	6.1	5.4	5.4	6.9	7.6
Webster	5.7	5.4	4.8	5.0	5.7	7.1
Wilkinson	14.1	10.7	8.1	8.4	8.4	10.1
Winston	7.0	5.6	5.8	5.7	6.4	8.0
Yalobusha	6.5	5.0	4.6	4.8	5.8	6.9
Yazoo	7.2	6.1	5.4	5.2	6.4	7.7

Five Year Comparison of Unemployment Rates

As of December 2020

Area	Current Month Dec-2020	1 Year Ago Dec-2019	2 Years Ago Dec-2018	3 Years Ago Dec-2017	4 Years Ago Dec-2016	5 Years Ago Dec-2015
Planning and Development Districts						
Central Miss.	5.5	4.6	4.3	4.0	4.7	5.4
East Central	5.9	5.5	4.9	4.8	5.6	6.3
Golden Triangle	6.5	5.6	5.0	5.0	5.7	6.9
North Central	7.6	6.6	5.9	5.9	7.0	8.5
North Delta	5.3	4.9	4.4	4.2	4.8	5.9
Northeast	5.0	5.0	4.5	4.2	5.1	6.1
South Delta	9.1	8.6	7.4	7.1	8.5	9.8
Southern	6.1	5.3	4.9	4.7	5.5	6.3
Southwest	8.3	7.3	6.3	6.1	6.8	8.0
Three Rivers	5.0	4.2	4.0	3.7	4.6	5.4
Community College Districts - For Coahoma & Meridian Community College Districts refer to county data.						
Copiah-Lincoln	7.2	6.5	5.8	5.5	6.3	7.2
East Central	5.7	5.2	4.8	4.7	5.5	6.2
East Mississippi	6.6	5.7	5.1	5.0	5.8	6.9
Gulf Coast	6.2	5.5	5.3	5.0	5.7	6.4
Hinds	5.7	4.6	4.3	4.0	4.7	5.5
Holmes	5.6	5.1	4.5	4.4	5.1	6.0
Itawamba	5.2	4.4	4.1	3.7	4.7	5.5
Jones	6.5	5.9	5.2	5.0	6.0	6.8
Mississippi Delta	9.1	8.4	7.3	7.1	8.6	10.0
Northeast	4.6	4.5	4.2	3.8	4.8	5.6
Northwest	5.1	4.7	4.3	4.0	4.6	5.7
Pearl River	5.7	4.8	4.5	4.2	5.2	5.9
Southwest	8.5	7.2	6.2	5.9	6.6	8.0
Cities						
Biloxi	5.4	4.6	4.5	4.3	5.2	5.9
Clinton	3.9	3.8	3.4	3.0	4.0	4.6
Columbus	7.4	5.5	5.0	5.1	6.1	7.4
Greenville	9.0	7.0	6.3	6.2	7.6	8.9
Gulfport	6.8	5.0	4.7	4.4	5.8	6.4
Hattiesburg	6.0	4.1	4.1	3.9	5.1	6.0
Hattiesburg -Forest County part	6.3	4.2	4.2	4.0	5.3	6.2
Hattiesburg -Lamar County part	3.7	3.9	3.7	3.3	3.7	4.6
Horn Lake	4.6	4.1	3.7	3.5	4.4	5.3
Jackson	7.5	5.0	4.8	4.4	5.3	6.2
Madison	3.0	3.2	3.1	3.1	3.6	4.0
Meridian	6.8	5.4	5.2	4.9	5.8	6.6
Moss Point	8.0	6.8	7.3	7.0	8.6	9.3
Olive Branch	3.1	3.4	3.4	2.9	3.6	4.4
Pascagoula	7.0	6.0	6.0	5.7	7.3	7.8
Pearl	4.0	3.7	3.7	3.3	4.2	4.8
Southaven	3.6	3.6	3.4	3.0	3.6	4.5
Starkville	5.4	4.2	3.9	3.6	4.3	5.2
Tupelo	5.4	4.3	4.0	3.6	4.5	5.5
Vicksburg	7.7	6.2	5.7	5.6	6.8	7.6

*For Coahoma and Meridian Community College Districts refer to county data.

Hattiesburg 1/ Forrest County part Hattiesburg 2/ Lamar County part

Unemployment Insurance Statistics

MSAs & WDAs

	December 2020			
	Regular UI			Benefits Paid All Programs
	Initial Claims	Cont'd Claims	Benefits Paid	
Metropolitan Statistical Areas				
Gulfport-Biloxi-Pascagoula MSA	2,099	13,211	\$1,509,498	\$8,298,111
Hattiesburg MSA	813	5,004	\$609,762	\$2,659,605
Jackson MSA	3,577	22,100	\$2,665,499	\$12,126,571
Workforce Development Areas				
Delta	2,579	17,260	\$2,065,239	\$7,767,694
Mississippi Partnership	5,402	27,059	\$3,330,871	\$13,634,894
Southcentral Mississippi	4,846	30,507	\$3,732,850	\$16,476,534
Twin Districts	5,373	32,583	\$3,883,519	\$18,254,768

	November 2020			
	Regular UI			Benefits Paid All Programs
	Initial Claims	Cont'd Claims	Benefits Paid	
Metropolitan Statistical Areas				
Gulfport-Biloxi-Pascagoula MSA	1,749	18,543	\$2,051,110	\$9,932,941
Hattiesburg MSA	529	6,803	\$812,947	\$3,077,707
Jackson MSA	2,409	30,113	\$3,631,327	\$14,014,801
Workforce Development Areas				
Delta	1,545	21,600	\$2,515,446	\$8,779,429
Mississippi Partnership	3,766	36,666	\$4,393,957	\$15,739,264
Southcentral Mississippi	3,278	41,357	\$5,017,953	\$18,959,607
Twin Districts	3,963	44,438	\$5,211,738	\$21,456,727

	December 2019			
	Regular UI			Benefits Paid All Programs
	Initial Claims	Cont'd Claims	Benefits Paid	
Metropolitan Statistical Areas				
Gulfport-Biloxi-Pascagoula MSA	456	3,384	\$582,898	\$594,648
Hattiesburg MSA	213	1,017	\$158,461	\$159,636
Jackson MSA	1,076	5,364	\$877,375	\$886,240
Workforce Development Areas				
Delta	963	6,223	\$1,043,297	\$1,046,378
Mississippi Partnership	1,523	7,689	\$1,279,481	\$1,285,523
Southcentral Mississippi	1,412	7,800	\$1,273,266	\$1,288,711
Twin Districts	1,259	7,987	\$1,320,953	\$1,346,088

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Unemployment Insurance Statistics

County Data - Claims

Counties	December 2020		November 2020		December 2019	
	Initial Claims	Cont'd Claims	Initial Claims	Cont'd Claims	Initial Claims	Cont'd Claims
Adams	168	1,298	133	1,704	76	439
Alcorn	170	929	185	1,171	81	262
Amite	51	248	39	300	17	86
Attala	124	700	82	969	37	181
Benton	45	182	40	238	8	41
Bolivar	308	1,945	190	2,275	126	860
Calhoun	117	331	70	411	26	172
Carroll	54	229	26	367	18	93
Chickasaw	233	869	110	1,116	68	195
Choctaw	59	277	32	364	31	127
Claiborne	94	567	49	731	22	186
Clarke	104	516	73	617	29	104
Clay	249	1,260	175	1,842	148	700
Coahoma	271	1,758	130	2,099	101	579
Copiah	179	1,259	112	1,590	48	301
Covington	120	744	75	992	21	114
DeSoto	502	2,796	360	4,174	70	700
Forrest	538	3,286	340	4,395	127	591
Franklin	23	163	28	210	11	83
George	79	579	96	700	26	199
Greene	51	332	42	385	15	130
Grenada	164	779	60	1,173	38	230
Hancock	181	861	123	1,427	31	227
Harrison	1,151	7,481	927	10,693	226	1,718
Hinds	1,906	12,827	1,321	17,756	541	2,779
Holmes	227	1,404	124	1,643	122	482
Humphreys	121	623	69	752	51	275
Issaquena	11	53	8	58	7	32
Itawamba	140	544	109	599	16	164
Jackson	767	4,869	699	6,423	199	1,439
Jasper	136	600	66	763	33	106
Jefferson	62	452	48	582	20	146
Jefferson Davis	71	444	54	614	40	148
Jones	360	1,971	270	2,618	82	426
Kemper	71	427	44	531	21	121
Lafayette	296	1,352	203	1,514	76	208
Lamar	234	1,457	150	2,011	76	374
Lauderdale	446	2,849	290	4,423	75	703
Lawrence	69	405	60	626	12	62
Leake	126	733	75	837	21	145
Lee	677	3,281	514	4,561	168	801

Unemployment Insurance Statistics

County Data - Claims

Counties	December 2020		November 2020		December 2019	
	Initial Claims	Cont'd Claims	Initial Claims	Cont'd Claims	Initial Claims	Cont'd Claims
Leflore	294	2,210	181	3,027	140	706
Lincoln	139	910	110	1,294	46	251
Lowndes	495	2,623	290	3,563	143	735
Madison	657	3,151	347	4,178	223	933
Marion	118	646	76	800	19	218
Marshall	141	1,028	114	1,428	21	177
Monroe	254	1,316	190	1,949	130	490
Montgomery	90	425	54	532	28	137
Neshoba	123	683	82	873	40	220
Newton	87	466	55	562	24	178
Noxubee	103	633	54	802	20	184
Oktibbeha	384	1,997	261	2,373	98	433
Panola	250	1,753	158	2,352	52	367
Pearl River	146	975	114	1,291	32	210
Perry	41	261	39	397	10	52
Pike	213	1,575	150	2,261	47	405
Pontotoc	207	805	148	1,092	43	229
Prentiss	166	618	130	1,017	52	225
Quitman	75	415	34	513	15	117
Rankin	505	2,847	407	3,860	118	867
Scott	112	862	79	1,218	27	125
Sharkey	62	358	30	323	28	154
Simpson	116	713	99	882	36	138
Smith	61	315	40	365	18	92
Stone	75	425	74	552	13	108
Sunflower	248	1,899	152	2,248	86	918
Tallahatchie	143	691	55	793	59	328
Tate	127	841	110	1,322	29	222
Tippah	119	656	99	864	22	137
Tishomingo	78	304	54	416	41	261
Tunica	112	749	68	926	37	239
Union	175	787	125	898	26	267
Walthall	71	404	39	460	12	133
Warren	354	2,209	197	2,834	51	544
Washington	403	3,173	320	4,224	121	1,073
Wayne	175	801	80	951	54	239
Webster	103	263	34	371	52	146
Wilkinson	25	176	16	242	22	101
Winston	119	930	100	1,263	27	173
Yalobusha	65	533	63	644	24	92
Yazoo	214	1,303	123	1,847	110	346

Unemployment Insurance Statistics

County Data - Benefits Paid

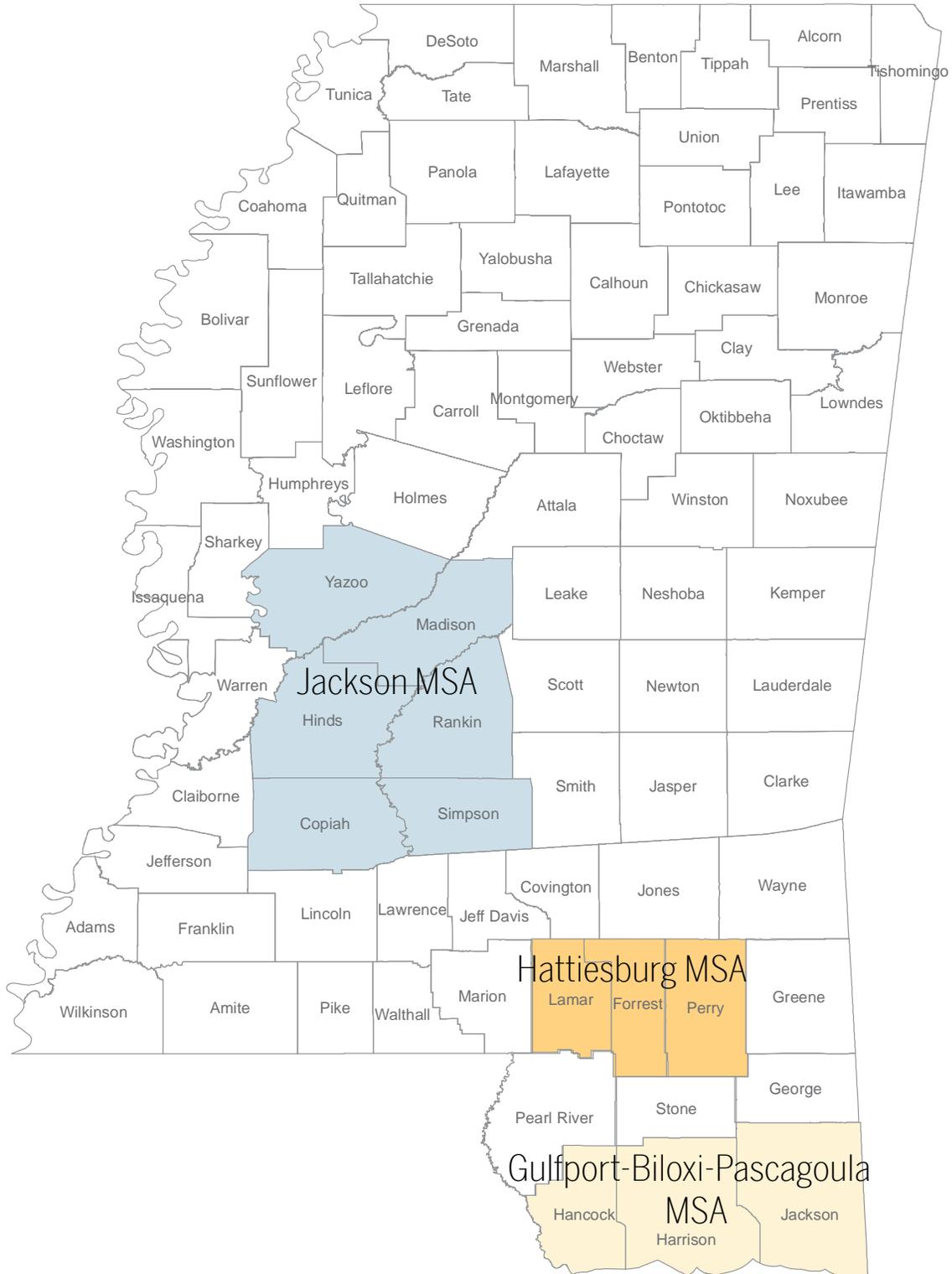
Counties	December 2020		November 2020		December 2019	
	Benefits Paid Regular UI	Benefits Paid All Programs	Benefits Paid Regular UI	Benefits Paid All Programs	Benefits Paid Regular UI	Benefits Paid All Programs
Adams	\$166,287	\$685,804	\$196,706	\$766,503	\$75,687	\$75,687
Alcorn	\$117,013	\$418,927	\$135,205	\$457,800	\$39,853	\$39,853
Amite	\$36,636	\$132,304	\$44,844	\$150,149	\$13,034	\$13,034
Attala	\$87,180	\$321,357	\$121,106	\$378,905	\$28,167	\$28,167
Benton	\$32,619	\$142,859	\$33,615	\$144,493	\$6,778	\$6,778
Bolivar	\$237,520	\$756,554	\$287,691	\$871,282	\$151,856	\$151,856
Calhoun	\$35,207	\$175,193	\$47,385	\$204,970	\$26,895	\$26,895
Carroll	\$34,085	\$145,645	\$40,669	\$160,789	\$11,905	\$11,905
Chickasaw	\$100,358	\$402,965	\$128,607	\$483,244	\$29,196	\$29,196
Choctaw	\$40,201	\$126,952	\$49,203	\$139,522	\$24,402	\$25,342
Claiborne	\$69,419	\$346,819	\$99,942	\$408,614	\$29,595	\$30,535
Clarke	\$61,501	\$231,335	\$74,861	\$261,153	\$18,157	\$18,157
Clay	\$151,704	\$590,940	\$210,484	\$707,133	\$128,117	\$128,117
Coahoma	\$187,544	\$749,810	\$219,294	\$864,271	\$95,466	\$95,466
Copiah	\$169,266	\$579,557	\$203,403	\$643,778	\$45,348	\$45,348
Covington	\$94,162	\$378,995	\$121,025	\$449,719	\$16,554	\$16,554
DeSoto	\$331,207	\$1,774,742	\$495,983	\$2,035,405	\$122,751	\$125,033
Forrest	\$397,052	\$1,688,457	\$523,624	\$1,957,048	\$90,070	\$90,305
Franklin	\$15,674	\$73,744	\$21,656	\$89,901	\$12,808	\$12,808
George	\$80,321	\$364,960	\$89,513	\$422,738	\$36,799	\$36,799
Greene	\$48,696	\$173,147	\$55,532	\$188,406	\$25,203	\$25,203
Grenada	\$102,707	\$411,222	\$141,967	\$477,543	\$40,882	\$40,882
Hancock	\$104,106	\$716,839	\$147,870	\$809,078	\$39,249	\$39,249
Harrison	\$798,039	\$4,707,555	\$1,101,153	\$5,598,289	\$293,878	\$299,988
Hinds	\$1,465,090	\$7,241,527	\$2,040,567	\$8,387,498	\$450,666	\$455,066
Holmes	\$165,055	\$669,537	\$205,710	\$809,946	\$79,137	\$79,137
Humphreys	\$82,834	\$311,104	\$97,403	\$310,010	\$44,531	\$44,531
Issaquena	\$8,895	\$17,746	\$4,953	\$20,305	\$2,447	\$2,447
Itawamba	\$60,814	\$227,515	\$71,629	\$271,737	\$25,430	\$25,430
Jackson	\$607,353	\$2,873,717	\$802,087	\$3,525,574	\$249,771	\$255,411
Jasper	\$78,275	\$257,524	\$97,857	\$277,719	\$16,935	\$16,935
Jefferson	\$81,187	\$225,975	\$89,269	\$229,731	\$24,461	\$24,461
Jefferson Davis	\$56,662	\$241,791	\$81,938	\$296,994	\$24,387	\$24,387
Jones	\$238,965	\$1,001,104	\$324,933	\$1,186,843	\$63,306	\$63,306
Kemper	\$57,261	\$176,207	\$82,259	\$211,444	\$16,492	\$16,508
Lafayette	\$175,651	\$634,783	\$191,848	\$702,870	\$29,437	\$29,437
Lamar	\$171,091	\$793,184	\$237,859	\$934,685	\$58,071	\$59,011
Lauderdale	\$305,969	\$1,247,633	\$503,652	\$1,546,837	\$108,412	\$108,882
Lawrence	\$52,126	\$216,625	\$65,819	\$226,801	\$9,274	\$10,214
Leake	\$91,098	\$301,902	\$102,807	\$329,535	\$24,924	\$26,099
Lee	\$378,604	\$1,720,737	\$510,958	\$1,992,196	\$141,156	\$141,156

Unemployment Insurance Statistics

County Data - Benefits Paid

Counties	December 2020		November 2020		December 2019	
	Benefits Paid Regular UI	Benefits Paid All Programs	Benefits Paid Regular UI	Benefits Paid All Programs	Benefits Paid Regular UI	Benefits Paid All Programs
Leflore	\$278,247	\$926,621	\$366,408	\$1,028,843	\$112,450	\$113,625
Lincoln	\$128,656	\$486,061	\$167,505	\$556,106	\$37,071	\$37,071
Lowndes	\$316,790	\$1,253,355	\$416,532	\$1,419,185	\$106,220	\$106,220
Madison	\$374,725	\$1,610,124	\$533,450	\$1,907,541	\$158,471	\$160,586
Marion	\$74,739	\$364,682	\$93,978	\$407,777	\$36,888	\$38,298
Marshall	\$144,581	\$547,093	\$197,555	\$629,857	\$28,219	\$28,454
Monroe	\$158,274	\$688,111	\$248,306	\$850,641	\$81,864	\$81,864
Montgomery	\$52,233	\$193,838	\$63,359	\$227,878	\$19,253	\$19,253
Neshoba	\$83,136	\$315,778	\$111,170	\$371,494	\$36,221	\$36,221
Newton	\$65,996	\$238,078	\$66,714	\$261,063	\$31,233	\$31,233
Noxubee	\$66,764	\$287,912	\$93,988	\$367,210	\$30,745	\$30,745
Oktibbeha	\$211,215	\$858,506	\$245,079	\$899,007	\$66,050	\$66,050
Panola	\$184,248	\$826,639	\$265,084	\$978,701	\$56,572	\$56,572
Pearl River	\$127,033	\$758,949	\$145,835	\$852,126	\$30,581	\$33,941
Perry	\$41,619	\$177,964	\$51,464	\$185,974	\$10,320	\$10,320
Pike	\$185,104	\$698,224	\$265,627	\$814,848	\$65,626	\$67,976
Pontotoc	\$106,036	\$468,680	\$138,573	\$545,714	\$42,586	\$42,586
Prentiss	\$82,540	\$379,179	\$118,702	\$440,484	\$37,234	\$37,234
Quitman	\$51,562	\$170,413	\$65,796	\$217,971	\$19,322	\$19,322
Rankin	\$395,130	\$1,635,692	\$496,565	\$1,855,688	\$150,166	\$151,341
Scott	\$126,111	\$432,559	\$156,657	\$439,170	\$20,322	\$23,184
Sharkey	\$45,079	\$147,622	\$35,904	\$127,288	\$24,337	\$24,337
Simpson	\$89,539	\$386,815	\$120,792	\$427,107	\$20,835	\$20,835
Smith	\$47,849	\$179,020	\$49,771	\$198,888	\$16,801	\$17,976
Stone	\$47,016	\$248,922	\$75,931	\$303,587	\$19,661	\$20,836
Sunflower	\$249,079	\$760,811	\$256,751	\$814,623	\$162,067	\$162,067
Tallahatchie	\$92,043	\$321,372	\$101,095	\$355,213	\$57,122	\$57,122
Tate	\$113,240	\$438,626	\$168,459	\$549,829	\$41,908	\$41,908
Tippah	\$77,684	\$269,119	\$91,929	\$314,388	\$20,887	\$20,887
Tishomingo	\$42,840	\$166,383	\$51,121	\$208,991	\$45,534	\$45,534
Tunica	\$68,649	\$383,915	\$84,893	\$486,047	\$44,682	\$44,682
Union	\$94,021	\$380,883	\$117,931	\$453,992	\$49,898	\$49,898
Walthall	\$49,386	\$191,832	\$58,115	\$218,327	\$22,606	\$22,606
Warren	\$256,917	\$1,184,286	\$342,339	\$1,367,499	\$91,532	\$93,882
Washington	\$380,399	\$1,579,905	\$483,795	\$1,734,140	\$181,403	\$183,309
Wayne	\$79,469	\$384,466	\$113,248	\$440,586	\$36,718	\$37,285
Webster	\$35,615	\$145,463	\$43,612	\$169,687	\$24,671	\$26,316
Wilkinson	\$25,959	\$108,289	\$34,804	\$116,327	\$14,197	\$14,197
Winston	\$152,208	\$385,453	\$187,265	\$429,142	\$25,197	\$26,137
Yalobusha	\$63,565	\$224,101	\$73,556	\$237,441	\$16,151	\$16,151
Yazoo	\$171,749	\$672,856	\$236,550	\$793,189	\$51,889	\$53,064

Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs)



Gulfport-Biloxi-Pascagoula MSA—Hancock, Harrison and Jackson Counties

Hattiesburg MSA—Forrest, Lamar, and Perry Counties

Jackson MSA—Copiah, Hinds, Madison, Rankin, Simpson and Yazoo Counties

(MSAs revised 3/15)

Workforce Development Areas (WDAs)



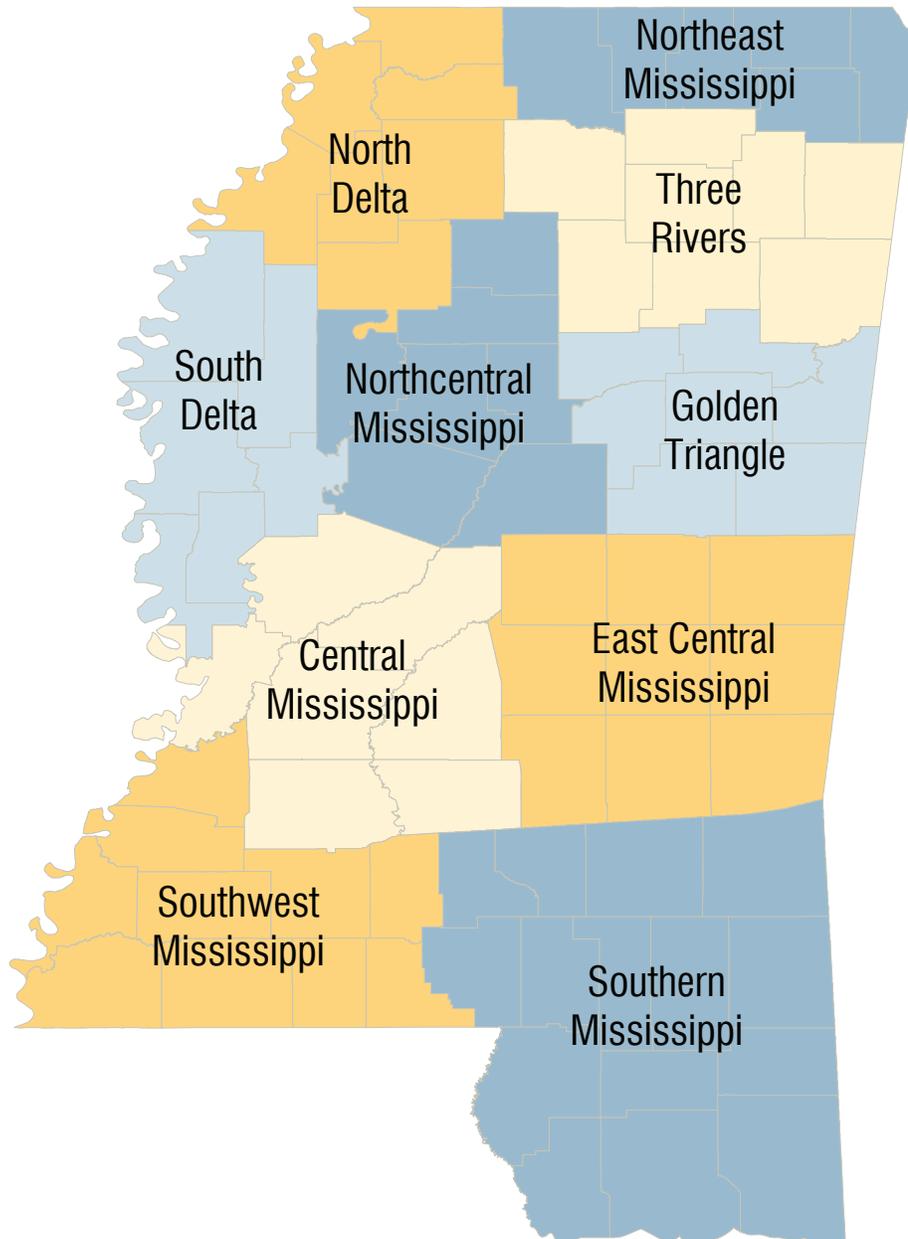
Delta—Bolivar, Carroll, Coahoma, Holmes, Humphreys, Issaquena, Leflore, Panola, Quitman, Sharkey, Sunflower, Tallahatchie, Tunica, and Washington Counties

Mississippi Partnership—Alcorn, Attala, Benton, Calhoun, Chickasaw, Choctaw, Clay, DeSoto, Grenada, Itawamba, Lafayette, Lee, Lowndes, Marshall, Monroe, Montgomery, Noxubee, Oktibbeha, Pontotoc, Prentiss, Tate, Tippah, Tishomingo, Union, Webster, Winston, and Yalobusha Counties

Southcentral Mississippi Works—Adams, Amite, Claiborne, Copiah, Franklin, Hinds, Jefferson, Lawrence, Lincoln, Madison, Pike, Rankin, Simpson, Walthall, Warren, Wilkinson, and Yazoo Counties

Twin Districts—Clarke, Covington, Forrest, George, Greene, Hancock, Harrison, Jackson, Jasper, Jefferson Davis, Jones, Kemper, Lamar, Lauderdale, Leake, Marion, Neshoba, Newton, Pearl River, Perry, Scott, Smith, Stone and Wayne Counties

Planning & Development Districts (PDDs)



Central Mississippi—Copiah, Hinds, Madison, Rankin, Simpson, Warren, & Yazoo Counties

East Central Mississippi—Clarke, Jasper, Kemper, Lauderdale, Leake, Neshoba, Newton, Scott, & Smith Counties

Golden Triangle—Choctaw, Clay, Lowndes, Noxubee, Oktibbeha, Webster, & Winston Counties

North Central Mississippi—Attala, Carroll, Grenada, Holmes, Leflore, Montgomery, & Yalobusha Counties

North Delta—Coahoma, DeSoto, Panola, Quitman, Tallahatchie, Tate & Tunica Counties

Northeast Mississippi—Alcorn, Benton, Marshall, Prentiss, Tippah, & Tishomingo Counties

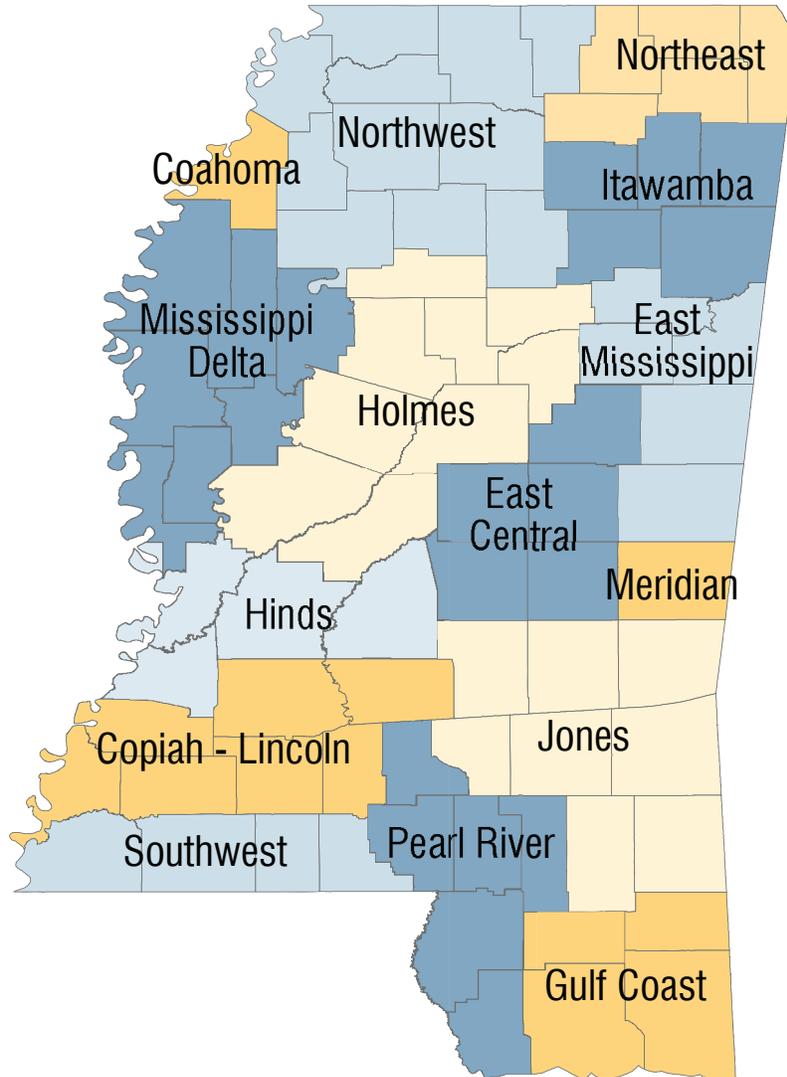
South Delta—Bolivar, Humphreys, Issaquena, Sharkey, Sunflower, & Washington Counties

Southern Mississippi—Covington, Forrest, George, Greene, Hancock, Harrison, Jackson, Jefferson Davis, Jones, Lamar, Marion, Pearl River, Perry, Stone, & Wayne Counties

Southwest Mississippi—Adams, Amite, Claiborne, Franklin, Jefferson, Lawrence, Lincoln, Pike, Walthall, & Wilkinson Counties

Three Rivers—Calhoun, Chickasaw, Itawamba, Lafayette, Lee, Monroe, Pontotoc, & Union Counties

Community College Districts (CCDs)



Coahoma—Coahoma County (See County Data)

Copiah-Lincoln—Adams, Copiah, Franklin, Jefferson, Lawrence, Lincoln, & Simpson Counties

East Central—Leake, Neshoba, Newton, Scott, & Winston Counties

East Mississippi—Clay, Kemper, Lowndes, Noxubee, & Oktibbeha Counties

Gulf Coast—George, Harrison, Jackson, & Stone Counties

Hinds—Claiborne, Hinds, Rankin, & Warren Counties

Holmes—Attala, Carroll, Choctaw, Grenada, Holmes, Madison, Montgomery, Webster, & Yazoo Counties

Itawamba—Chickasaw, Itawamba, Lee, Monroe, & Pontotoc Counties

Jones—Clarke, Covington, Greene, Jasper, Jones, Perry, Smith & Wayne Counties

Meridian—Lauderdale County (See County Data)

Mississippi Delta—Bolivar, Humphreys, Issaquena, Leflore, Sharkey, Sunflower, & Washington Counties

Northeast—Alcorn, Prentiss, Tippah, Tishomingo & Union Counties

Northwest—Benton, Calhoun, DeSoto, Lafayette, Marshall, Panola, Quitman, Tallahatchie, Tate, Tunica, & Yalobusha Counties

Pearl River—Forrest, Hancock, Jefferson Davis, Lamar, Marion, & Pearl River Counties

Southwest—Amite, Pike, Walthall, & Wilkinson Counties

Description of the Unemployment Rate Calculation

General summary of how the unemployment rate is calculated

- Monthly estimates of the labor force, employment, unemployment and the unemployment rate are generated by the Local Area Unemployment Statistics Program, a cooperative program between the Bureau of Labor Statistics and State Employment Security Agencies.
- Statistics on the employment status of the population and related data are compiled by the Bureau of Labor Statistics using data from the Current Population Survey (CPS). The CPS is a monthly survey of households conducted by the US Census Bureau. It is a scientifically selected survey designed to represent the civilian noninstitutional population of the United States.
- Households selected are interviewed to obtain information about the employment status of each member of the household 16 years of age and older. The inquiry relates to employment activity or status during the calendar week, Sunday through Saturday, which includes the 12th day of the month. This week is known as the reference week.
- The survey is designed so that each person who is over the age of 16 and who is not in an institution such as prison or mental hospital or on active duty with the Armed Forces is only counted and classified in one group; employed, unemployed or not in the labor force.
- The Bureau of Labor Statistics defines an individual employed if they did any work at all for pay or profit during the survey week; this includes all part-time and temporary work as well as full time year round employment. Unemployed individuals are those who do not have a job, have actively looked for work during the past four weeks and are currently available for work. The sum of employed and unemployed produces the Civilian Labor Force.
- Each month about 60,000 households are eligible to be interviewed nationally.
- Households in the survey are rotated out of the survey in a manner to ensure that 75% of the households are consistent from one month to the next and 50% of the households are consistent from the same month of the prior year.
- The results of the CPS survey are “residence” based; meaning the physical location of a person’s residence rather than the location of the establishment where they are employed.
- Other statistics generated by the Mississippi Department of Employment Security’s Labor Market Information Department are “establishment” based, meaning the location of the establishment where they are employed.
- Each month the MDES LMI Department processes information from the CPS, County continued claims (Unemployment Insurance claims that are paid), and a monthly survey of employment. These factors are used to estimate the employment, unemployment, labor force and resulting unemployment rate. A Statistical Model using historical trends and current amounts produces estimated amounts, which are reviewed and approved by the Bureau of Labor Statistics before publication. These methods are consistent for all states.

Glossary of Terms

All Benefit Programs — includes regular UI program and federal programs, such as UCFE, UCX, FAC and EUC.

Civilian Labor Force — that proportion of the civilian noninstitutional population that is employed or actively seeking employment. The labor force is the sum of the number of employed and unemployed.

Civilian Noninstitutional Population — included are persons 16 years of age and older residing in the 50 states and the District of Columbia who are not inmates of institutions (for example, penal and mental facilities, homes for the aged), and who are not on active duty in the Armed Forces.

Continued Claim — a request for benefit payment or a notice filed to obtain credit for a waiting period week.

Employed — all persons who during the reference week, (a) did any work at all as paid employees, worked in their own business, profession, or on their own farm or worked 15 hours or more as unpaid workers in an enterprise operated by a member of the family, and (b) all those who were not working but who had jobs or businesses from which they were temporarily absent because of vacation, illness, bad weather, childcare problems, maternity or paternity leave, labor management dispute, job training or other family or personal reasons, whether or not they were paid for the time off or were seeking other jobs. Persons are counted only once even if they hold multiple jobs.

First Payment — a payment issued to a claimant for his compensable week of unemployment in a benefit year.

Final Payment — the last benefit payment a claimant receives in a benefit year.

Initial Claim — a request for determination of entitlement for unemployment insurance benefits when a break in job attachment has occurred.

Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs) — the general concept of an MSA is one of a large population nucleus, together with adjacent communities that have a high degree of economic and social integration with that nucleus. These are defined by the Office of Management and Budget as a standard for Federal agencies in the preparation and publication of statistics relating to metropolitan areas.

Not Seasonally Adjusted — this term is used to describe data series not subject to the seasonal adjustment process. In other words, the effects of regular, or seasonal, patterns have not been removed from these series.

Reference Week — the calendar week, Sunday through Saturday, this includes the 12th day of the month.

Regular UI Program — the state unemployment insurance program which provides unemployment benefits to eligible workers who are unemployed through no fault of their own. Does not include any federal programs.

Seasonally Adjusted — monthly data that is adjusted (at the National level) to minimize the changes in any time series which result from normal annual occurrences such as holidays, vacations, harvests, and the opening and closing of schools. Because these seasonal events follow a more or less regular pattern each year, their influence on statistical trends can be eliminated by adjusting the statistics from month to month. Amounts are seasonally adjusted at the National and State levels only.

Unemployed — all persons who had no employment during the reference week, were available for work, except for temporary illness, and had made specific efforts to find employment during the 4-week period ending with the reference week. Persons who were waiting to be recalled to a job from which they had been laid off need not have been looking for work to be classified as unemployed. Persons that are classified as unemployed have not necessarily filed or would be eligible for unemployment benefits.

Unemployment Rate — the unemployment rate represents the number of unemployed as a percent of the civilian labor force.

Workforce Development Areas (WDAs) - these are state designated areas in which an appointed Work Force Investment Board is charged with designing and managing a system that provides convenient access to services and program information for employers, jobseekers, and others in need of assistance. Multiple agencies and groups partner together to provide the services. Each board is employer led and demand driven. The state is divided into four such areas.



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