

MICHIGAN COUNTIES RANKED BY UNEMPLOYMENT RATE
JANUARY 2009

		Jan 09	Dec 08	Jan 08			Jan 09	Dec 08	Jan 08
1	Isabella County	7.2			42	Alger County	14.0		
2	Washtenaw County	7.3			43	Macomb County	14.0		
3	Midland County	8.3			44	Gratiot County	14.1		
4	Kalamazoo County	8.4			45	Mason County	14.2	12.6	9.5
	National	8.5	7.1	5.4	46	Ogemaw County	14.2		
5	Menominee County	9.0			47	Otsego County	14.2		
6	Leelanau County	9.4			48	Wayne County	14.2		
7	Clinton County	9.5			49	Monroe County	14.6		
8	Barry County	9.6			50	Genesee County	14.8		
9	Kent County	9.8			51	Antrim County	15.1		
10	Livingston County	10.1			52	Lenawee County	15.1		
11	Dickinson County	10.2			53	Benzie County	15.2		
12	Oakland County	10.4			54	Roscommon County	15.4		
13	Gogebic County	10.6			55	Emmet County	15.5		
14	Marquette County	10.6			56	Huron County	15.6		
15	Eaton County	10.8			57	Montcalm County	15.7		
16	Iron County	10.9			58	Gladwin County	15.9		
17	Cass County	10.9			59	Shiawassee County	15.9		
18	Houghton County	11.0			60	Charlevoix County	16.1		
19	Calhoun County	11.2			61	Clare County	16.3		
20	Grand Traverse County	11.2			62	Missaukee County	16.4		
21	Ingham County	11.2			63	Ontonagon County	16.5		
22	Ottawa County	11.4			64	Tuscola County	16.8		
23	Bay County	11.5			65	Lapeer County	16.9		
24	Luce County	11.6			66	Schoolcraft County	17.0		
25	Berrien County	11.6			67	Osceola County	17.1	12.5	8.9
26	Allegan County	12.0			68	St. Clair County	17.3		
27	Jackson County	12.1			69	Hillsdale County	17.3		
28	Saginaw County	12.4			70	Keweenaw County	17.6		
	State of Michigan	12.5	10.4	7.8	71	Alcona County	18.2		
29	Delta County	12.5			72	Lake County	18.4	16.5	11.5
30	Crawford County	12.8			73	Oceana County	18.4		
31	Manistee County	13.4			74	Iosco County	18.5		
32	Newaygo County	13.4	11.3	8.4	75	Wexford County	18.5		
33	Chippewa County	13.4			76	Arenac County	18.5		
34	Kalkaska County	13.4			77	Sanilac County	18.9		
35	Van Buren County	13.5			78	Montmorency County	21.2		
36	Branch County	13.5			79	Cheboygan County	21.8		
37	Muskegon County	13.6			80	Oscoda County	22.5		
38	Ionia County	13.7			81	Presque Isle County	23.3		
39	Mecosta County	13.8	11.2	8.4	82	Baraga County	23.4		
40	Alpena County	13.9			83	Mackinac County	27.6		
41	St. Joseph County	13.9							

January 2009	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	%
Lake County	3,839	3,133	706	18.4
Mason County	14,173	12,155	2,018	14.2
Mecosta County	19,682	16,970	2,712	13.8
Newaygo County	22,411	19,401	3,010	13.4
Osceola County	9,542	7,912	1,630	17.1
West Central	69,647	59,571	10,076	14.5

MICHIGAN WORKS! WEST CENTRAL
 Historical Unemployment Rates
 Not Seasonally Adjusted
 (Last 30 years)

County	Current Jan 2009	Historic LOW		Historic HIGH	
	%	%	Date	%	Date
Lake	18.4	4.4	October-00	21.8	March-83
Mason	14.2	3.3	October-00	23.5	February-83
Mecosta	13.8	2.3	October-99	17.9	January-85
Newaygo	13.4	3.1	September-00	20.9	January-82
Osceola	17.1	3.5	April-00	23.0	March-83
Michigan	12.5	3.1	April-00	17.1	January-83
USA	8.5	3.7	December-00	11.4	January-83

Data series begins January 1978

Sources: MI Dept of Energy, Labor & Economic Growth
 USDOL Bureau of Labor statistics