

Mississippi Labor Market Data for May 2022

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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 non-institutional 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.

Seasonally Adjusted Estimates

Seasonal adjustment is a statistical procedure that removes the effects of normal seasonal variations—resulting from events such as holidays, school openings and closings, and weather—from data series. Estimates for the current month are preliminary; amounts from prior month are revised.

Seasonally Adjusted Non-Farm Employment Estimates - Establishment Based

	May 2022 Preliminary	April 2022 Revised	May 2021 Revised
Mississippi	1,158,300	1,157,000	1,129,200
United States	151,682,000	151,292,000	145,141,000

Seasonally Adjusted Labor Force Data Estimates - Residence Based

Mississippi	May 2022 Preliminary	April 2022 Revised	May 2021 Revised
Civilian Labor Force	1,267,700	1,264,200	1,258,000
Unemployed	50,100	51,600	75,900
Unemployment Rate	4.0	4.1	6.0
Employed	1,217,600	1,212,600	1,182,100

United States	May 2022 Preliminary	April 2022 Revised	May 2021 Revised
Civilian Labor Force	164,376,000	164,046,000	160,801,000
Unemployed	5,950,000	5,941,000	9,251,000
Unemployment Rate	3.6	3.6	5.8
Employed	158,426,000	158,105,000	151,550,000

Mississippi Seasonally Adjusted Unemployment Rates by month over the previous year

Month/Year	Seasonally Adjusted Rate
5/21	6.0
6/21	5.8
7/21	5.6
8/21	5.3
9/21	5.0
10/21	4.7
11/21	4.7
12/21	4.7
1/22	4.6
2/22	4.5
3/22	4.2
4/22	4.1
5/22	4.0

Labor Force Highlights

Labor force data presented are rounded estimates.

Seasonally Adjusted

The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for May 2022 at 4.0 percent decreased one-tenth of a percentage point over the month to a new historic low. The rate was two percentage points lower than the 6.0 percent reported for May 2021. The Nation's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate at 3.6 percent was unchanged over the month and decreased 2.2 percentage points from the year ago rate of 5.8 percent.

In May 2022, the number of employed Mississippians rose over the month by 5,000 to 1,217,600. The number of unemployed Mississippians decreased by 1,500 over the month to 50,100.

According to the seasonally adjusted results from a survey of Mississippi employers, there were 1,300 more nonfarm jobs in May 2022. Over the year the number of nonfarm jobs has increased 29,100.

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 May 2022 was 3.8 percent, increasing two-tenths of a percentage point from the previous month's rate of 3.6 percent. When compared to May 2021, the rate decreased 2.1 percentage points over the year. The number of unemployed increased 2,000 over the month, while the employed total decreased 3,000. The Nation's not seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for May 2022 at 3.4 percent increased one-tenth of a percentage point over the month but was 2.1 percentage points lower than the year ago rate of 5.5 percent.

Mississippi's not seasonally adjusted nonfarm employment had an increase of 3,900 jobs over the month and had 28,900 more jobs than one year ago. Industry sectors registering the largest monthly employment gains were Professional & Business Services; and Leisure & Hospitality.

For the month of May 2022, thirty-seven counties in Mississippi posted unemployment rates less than or equal to the state's rate of 3.8 percent. Union County posted the lowest unemployment rate for the month of May at 2.5 percent followed by Rankin County at 2.6 percent. Jefferson County had the highest unemployment rate for May at 13.8 percent followed by Claiborne County at 8.6 percent.

Unemployment Rates**Mississippi -****3.8**

1	Union	2.5
2	Rankin	2.6
3	Lafayette	2.8
3	Lamar	2.8
5	DeSoto	2.9
5	Itawamba	2.9
5	Madison	2.9
5	Pontotoc	2.9
5	Prentiss	2.9
5	Tippah	2.9
11	Lee	3.0
11	Scott	3.0
13	Alcorn	3.1
14	Grenada	3.2
14	Smith	3.2
16	Calhoun	3.3
16	Lincoln	3.3
16	Tishomingo	3.3
19	Choctaw	3.4
19	Covington	3.4
19	Marion	3.4
19	Monroe	3.4
19	Simpson	3.4
24	Webster	3.5
24	Yalobusha	3.5
26	Harrison	3.6
26	Newton	3.6
28	Forrest	3.7
28	Leake	3.7
28	Marshall	3.7
28	Pearl River	3.7
28	Tate	3.7
33	Hancock	3.8
33	Lauderdale	3.8
33	Neshoba	3.8
33	Oktibbeha	3.8
33	Stone	3.8
38	Attala	3.9
38	Carroll	3.9
38	Jones	3.9
41	Chickasaw	4.0

41	Lowndes	4.0
43	Montgomery	4.1
43	Tallahatchie	4.1
45	Hinds	4.2
45	Jackson	4.2
47	Warren	4.3
47	Winston	4.3
49	Copiah	4.4
50	Benton	4.5
50	Lawrence	4.5
50	Perry	4.5
53	Bolivar	4.6
53	Clay	4.6
53	Franklin	4.6
53	Wayne	4.6
57	Amite	4.7
57	Clarke	4.7
57	Jasper	4.7
57	Panola	4.7
57	Walthall	4.7
62	Pike	4.8
63	Yazoo	4.9
64	George	5.1
65	Tunica	5.3
66	Jefferson Davis	5.4
66	Leflore	5.4
68	Adams	5.5
69	Quitman	5.6
69	Washington	5.6
71	Kemper	5.7
72	Sharkey	5.8
73	Coahoma	5.9
74	Sunflower	6.0
75	Greene	6.3
75	Noxubee	6.3
77	Issaquena	7.2
78	Holmes	7.3
79	Wilkinson	7.5
80	Humphreys	8.0
81	Claiborne	8.6
82	Jefferson	13.8

Not Seasonally Adjusted Labor Force Data Estimates - Residence Based

Mississippi	May 2022 Preliminary	April 2022 Revised	May 2021 Revised	2021 Annual Average	Moving* Average
Civilian Labor Force	1,265,300	1,266,300	1,258,700	1,254,200	1,258,000
Unemployed	47,500	45,500	74,600	69,800	58,100
Unemployment Rate	3.8	3.6	5.9	5.6	4.6
Employed	1,217,800	1,220,800	1,184,100	1,184,400	1,199,900

United States	May 2022 Preliminary	April 2022 Revised	May 2021 Revised	2021 Annual Average	Moving* Average
Civilian Labor Force	164,157,000	163,449,000	160,607,000	161,204,000	162,688,000
Unemployed	5,548,000	5,458,000	8,829,000	8,623,000	7,113,000
Unemployment Rate	3.4	3.3	5.5	5.3	4.4
Employed	158,609,000	157,991,000	151,778,000	152,581,000	155,575,000

* Average is for the most recent twelve months, including current month

Mississippi Unadjusted Unemployment Rates by month over the previous year

Month/Year	Unadjusted Rate
5/21	5.9
6/21	7.1
7/21	6.4
8/21	5.7
9/21	4.7
10/21	4.2
11/21	3.6
12/21	3.5
1/22	4.8
2/22	4.4
3/22	3.5
4/22	3.6
5/22	3.8

Unemployment Insurance Data

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

Mississippi Unemployment Insurance Data

Mississippi	May 2022	April 2022	May 2021
Initial UI Claims	8,364	4,051	13,255
Continued Claims	22,560	16,843	131,080
Benefits Paid	\$2,757,535	\$2,289,977	\$12,409,301
Weeks Paid	12,989	10,007	69,312
First Payments	1,284	942	4,053
Final Payments	207	210	1,472
Average Weekly Benefit	\$212.30	\$228.84	\$179.04

Mississippi Unemployment Insurance Initial Claims and Benefits Paid each month for the past year

Month/Year	Initial Claims Filed	Benefits Paid
5/21	13,255	12,409,301
6/21	9,218	15,158,801
7/21	10,980	11,344,949
8/21	9,575	9,472,778
9/21	6,627	5,982,323
10/21	5,469	4,384,700
11/21	5,200	3,637,794
12/21	5,640	3,262,903
1/22	5,938	3,467,142
2/22	3,462	2,648,963
3/22	4,005	2,909,427
4/22	4,051	2,289,977
5/22	8,364	2,757,535

Labor Force Estimates

The following data is by place of residence – persons 16 years of age and older.

Preliminary May 2022

Area	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Unemployment Rate
Mississippi	1,265,300	1,217,800	47,500	3.8
United States	164,157,000	158,609,000	5,548,000	3.4
Metropolitan Statistical Area				
Gulfport-Biloxi-Pascagoula MSA	167,610	161,230	6,380	3.8
Hattiesburg MSA	69,050	66,740	2,310	3.3
Jackson MSA	257,450	248,510	8,940	3.5
Workforce Development Area				
Delta WDA	90,340	85,460	4,880	5.4
Mississippi Partnership WDA	408,590	395,200	13,390	3.3
Southcentral Mississippi Works WDA	341,330	328,260	13,070	3.8
Twin Districts WDA	425,150	408,990	16,160	3.8
County				
Adams	10,590	10,010	580	5.5
Alcorn	15,430	14,950	480	3.1
Amite	4,480	4,270	210	4.7
Attala	7,170	6,890	280	3.9
Benton	3,090	2,950	140	4.5
Bolivar	11,650	11,110	540	4.6
Calhoun	5,650	5,470	180	3.3
Carroll	3,620	3,480	140	3.9
Chickasaw	6,970	6,690	280	4.0
Choctaw	3,690	3,560	130	3.4
Claiborne	2,970	2,710	260	8.6
Clarke	5,700	5,430	270	4.7
Clay	8,420	8,030	390	4.6
Coahoma	8,010	7,540	470	5.9
Copiah	10,690	10,220	470	4.4
Covington	8,230	7,950	280	3.4
DeSoto	94,850	92,100	2,750	2.9
Forrest	33,270	32,040	1,230	3.7
Franklin	2,700	2,570	130	4.6
George	8,880	8,420	460	5.1
Greene	4,300	4,030	270	6.3
Grenada	9,170	8,870	300	3.2

Hancock	19,420	18,690	730	3.8
Harrison	88,780	85,610	3,170	3.6
Hinds	100,120	95,920	4,200	4.2
Holmes	5,110	4,740	370	7.3
Humphreys	2,080	1,910	170	8.0
Issaquena	350	320	30	7.2
Itawamba	10,400	10,090	310	2.9
Jackson	59,410	56,930	2,480	4.2
Jasper	5,800	5,520	280	4.7
Jefferson	1,940	1,670	270	13.8
Jefferson Davis	3,890	3,680	210	5.4
Jones	24,610	23,650	960	3.9
Kemper	3,320	3,130	190	5.7
Lafayette	28,360	27,560	800	2.8
Lamar	31,510	30,620	890	2.8
Lauderdale	28,830	27,720	1,110	3.8
Lawrence	4,730	4,520	210	4.5
Leake	8,220	7,910	310	3.7
Lee	41,060	39,820	1,240	3.0
Leflore	10,200	9,650	550	5.4
Lincoln	14,920	14,420	500	3.3
Lowndes	25,470	24,460	1,010	4.0
Madison	52,350	50,820	1,530	2.9
Marion	10,470	10,120	350	3.4
Marshall	14,480	13,950	530	3.7
Monroe	15,970	15,420	550	3.4
Montgomery	3,990	3,830	160	4.1
Neshoba	10,270	9,880	390	3.8
Newton	8,320	8,020	300	3.6
Noxubee	3,650	3,420	230	6.3
Oktibbeha	22,740	21,890	850	3.8
Panola	12,680	12,080	600	4.7
Pearl River	23,640	22,760	880	3.7
Perry	4,260	4,070	190	4.5
Pike	14,500	13,800	700	4.8
Pontotoc	15,090	14,650	440	2.9
Prentiss	11,570	11,240	330	2.9
Quitman	2,450	2,310	140	5.6
Rankin	74,860	72,920	1,940	2.6
Scott	12,470	12,100	370	3.0

Sharkey	1,460	1,380	80	5.8
Simpson	10,460	10,100	360	3.4
Smith	6,840	6,620	220	3.2
Stone	7,090	6,820	270	3.8
Sunflower	7,760	7,290	470	6.0
Tallahatchie	4,840	4,640	200	4.1
Tate	12,420	11,960	460	3.7
Tippah	9,960	9,670	290	2.9
Tishomingo	8,410	8,130	280	3.3
Tunica	4,330	4,100	230	5.3
Union	14,520	14,160	360	2.5
Walthall	4,980	4,750	230	4.7
Warren	19,420	18,580	840	4.3
Washington	15,800	14,910	890	5.6
Wayne	7,620	7,270	350	4.6
Webster	3,990	3,850	140	3.5
Wilkinson	2,640	2,440	200	7.5
Winston	7,180	6,870	310	4.3
Yalobusha	4,890	4,720	170	3.5
Yazoo	8,980	8,540	440	4.9
Planning and Development District				
Central Mississippi	276,880	267,100	9,780	3.5
East Central	89,770	86,330	3,440	3.8
Golden Triangle	75,140	72,080	3,060	4.1
North Central	44,150	42,180	1,970	4.5
North Delta	139,580	134,730	4,850	3.5
Northeast	62,940	60,890	2,050	3.3
South Delta	39,100	36,920	2,180	5.6
Southern	335,380	322,660	12,720	3.8
Southwest	64,450	61,160	3,290	5.1
Three Rivers	138,020	133,860	4,160	3.0
Community College District - For Coahoma & Meridian Community College Districts, refer to county data.				
Copiah-Lincoln	56,030	53,510	2,520	4.5
East Central	46,460	44,780	1,680	3.6
East Mississippi	63,600	60,930	2,670	4.2
Gulf Coast	164,160	157,780	6,380	3.9
Hinds	197,370	190,130	7,240	3.7
Holmes	98,070	94,580	3,490	3.6
Itawamba	89,490	86,670	2,820	3.2
Jones	67,360	64,540	2,820	4.2

Mississippi Delta	49,300	46,570	2,730	5.5
Northeast	59,890	58,150	1,740	2.9
Northwest	188,040	181,840	6,200	3.3
Pearl River	122,200	117,910	4,290	3.5
Southwest	26,600	25,260	1,340	5.0
City				
Biloxi	19,760	19,130	630	3.2
Brandon	12,180	11,880	300	2.4
Clinton	12,020	11,670	350	2.9
Columbus	9,800	9,360	440	4.5
Greenville	10,510	9,970	540	5.2
Gulfport	29,070	27,900	1,170	4.0
Hattiesburg	21,500	20,730	770	3.6
Hattiesburg - Forest County	18,530	17,840	690	3.7
Hattiesburg - Lamar County	2,970	2,890	80	2.7
Horn Lake	13,080	12,640	440	3.4
Jackson	67,190	64,240	2,950	4.4
Madison	12,840	12,530	310	2.4
Meridian	13,560	13,030	530	3.9
Moss Point	5,080	4,830	250	4.9
Olive Branch	21,180	20,650	530	2.5
Oxford	15,460	15,070	390	2.5
Pascagoula	8,720	8,350	370	4.2
Pearl	12,410	12,050	360	2.9
Southaven	29,220	28,440	780	2.7
Starkville	12,410	11,990	420	3.4
Tupelo	17,650	17,100	550	3.1
Vicksburg	8,590	8,180	410	4.8

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United States	163,449,000	157,991,000	5,458,000	3.3
Metropolitan Statistical Area				
Gulfport-Biloxi-Pascagoula MSA	166,910	160,780	6,130	3.7
Hattiesburg MSA	69,310	67,070	2,240	3.2
Jackson MSA	258,640	250,130	8,510	3.3
Workforce Development Area				
Delta WDA	89,730	85,090	4,640	5.2
Mississippi Partnership WDA	409,790	396,870	12,920	3.2
Southcentral Mississippi Works WDA	342,290	329,910	12,380	3.6

Twin Districts WDA	424,600	409,020	15,580	3.7
County				
Adams	10,500	9,940	560	5.4
Alcorn	15,420	14,940	480	3.1
Amite	4,460	4,250	210	4.7
Attala	7,150	6,880	270	3.8
Benton	3,100	2,970	130	4.3
Bolivar	11,490	10,990	500	4.3
Calhoun	5,540	5,360	180	3.3
Carroll	3,610	3,470	140	3.9
Chickasaw	6,960	6,700	260	3.8
Choctaw	3,650	3,530	120	3.4
Claiborne	2,940	2,710	230	7.8
Clarke	5,690	5,430	260	4.6
Clay	8,410	8,040	370	4.4
Coahoma	7,960	7,520	440	5.5
Copiah	10,700	10,250	450	4.2
Covington	8,190	7,920	270	3.3
DeSoto	95,110	92,420	2,690	2.8
Forrest	33,380	32,190	1,190	3.6
Franklin	2,670	2,550	120	4.6
George	8,790	8,360	430	4.8
Greene	4,250	4,020	230	5.5
Grenada	9,180	8,890	290	3.2
Hancock	19,260	18,550	710	3.7
Harrison	88,400	85,360	3,040	3.4
Hinds	100,550	96,640	3,910	3.9
Holmes	5,100	4,750	350	6.8
Humphreys	2,010	1,850	160	8.0
Issaquena	350	320	30	7.6
Itawamba	10,400	10,110	290	2.8
Jackson	59,260	56,870	2,390	4.0
Jasper	5,820	5,540	280	4.8
Jefferson	1,910	1,680	230	12.1
Jefferson Davis	3,920	3,720	200	5.1
Jones	24,660	23,740	920	3.7
Kemper	3,300	3,130	170	5.1
Lafayette	28,760	27,990	770	2.7
Lamar	31,670	30,800	870	2.7
Lauderdale	28,970	27,910	1,060	3.7

Lawrence	4,700	4,490	210	4.5
Leake	8,140	7,840	300	3.7
Lee	41,200	40,010	1,190	2.9
Leflore	10,190	9,670	520	5.1
Lincoln	14,900	14,420	480	3.2
Lowndes	25,850	24,880	970	3.7
Madison	52,620	51,130	1,490	2.8
Marion	10,520	10,170	350	3.3
Marshall	14,490	13,960	530	3.6
Monroe	16,070	15,540	530	3.3
Montgomery	3,990	3,830	160	4.0
Neshoba	10,110	9,730	380	3.8
Newton	8,350	8,040	310	3.7
Noxubee	3,610	3,400	210	5.9
Oktibbeha	22,900	22,110	790	3.5
Panola	12,640	12,050	590	4.6
Pearl River	23,770	22,930	840	3.6
Perry	4,260	4,080	180	4.2
Pike	14,470	13,820	650	4.5
Pontotoc	15,070	14,650	420	2.8
Prentiss	11,570	11,250	320	2.8
Quitman	2,390	2,270	120	4.9
Rankin	75,360	73,470	1,890	2.5
Scott	12,460	12,090	370	2.9
Sharkey	1,480	1,400	80	5.6
Simpson	10,490	10,140	350	3.4
Smith	6,760	6,540	220	3.2
Stone	7,090	6,830	260	3.6
Sunflower	7,640	7,200	440	5.7
Tallahatchie	4,810	4,620	190	3.9
Tate	12,390	11,950	440	3.6
Tippah	9,890	9,610	280	2.8
Tishomingo	8,450	8,190	260	3.1
Tunica	4,320	4,100	220	5.0
Union	14,520	14,160	360	2.4
Walthall	5,000	4,780	220	4.4
Warren	19,470	18,690	780	4.0
Washington	15,740	14,880	860	5.5
Wayne	7,580	7,230	350	4.6
Webster	4,010	3,870	140	3.4

Wilkinson	2,620	2,440	180	6.9
Winston	7,180	6,880	300	4.2
Yalobusha	4,920	4,750	170	3.4
Yazoo	8,930	8,510	420	4.7
Planning and Development District				
Central Mississippi	278,120	268,830	9,290	3.3
East Central	89,600	86,250	3,350	3.7
Golden Triangle	75,610	72,710	2,900	3.8
North Central	44,140	42,240	1,900	4.3
North Delta	139,620	134,930	4,690	3.4
Northeast	62,920	60,920	2,000	3.2
South Delta	38,710	36,640	2,070	5.3
Southern	335,000	322,770	12,230	3.7
Southwest	64,170	61,080	3,090	4.8
Three Rivers	138,520	134,520	4,000	2.9
Community College District - For Coahoma & Meridian Community College Districts, refer to county data.				
Copiah-Lincoln	55,870	53,470	2,400	4.3
East Central	46,240	44,580	1,660	3.6
East Mississippi	64,070	61,560	2,510	3.9
Gulf Coast	163,540	157,420	6,120	3.7
Hinds	198,320	191,510	6,810	3.4
Holmes	98,240	94,860	3,380	3.4
Itawamba	89,700	87,010	2,690	3.0
Jones	67,210	64,500	2,710	4.0
Mississippi Delta	48,900	46,310	2,590	5.3
Northeast	59,850	58,150	1,700	2.8
Northwest	188,470	182,440	6,030	3.2
Pearl River	122,520	118,360	4,160	3.4
Southwest	26,550	25,290	1,260	4.7
City				
Biloxi	19,690	19,070	620	3.1
Brandon	12,250	11,970	280	2.3
Clinton	12,120	11,760	360	3.0
Columbus	9,910	9,520	390	3.9
Greenville	10,470	9,950	520	5.0
Gulfport	28,900	27,820	1,080	3.7
Hattiesburg	21,530	20,830	700	3.2
Hattiesburg - Forest County	18,550	17,920	630	3.4
Hattiesburg - Lamar County	2,980	2,910	70	2.3
Horn Lake	13,130	12,690	440	3.3

Jackson	67,400	64,720	2,680	4.0
Madison	12,910	12,610	300	2.3
Meridian	13,630	13,120	510	3.7
Moss Point	5,040	4,820	220	4.4
Olive Branch	21,230	20,720	510	2.4
Oxford	15,670	15,300	370	2.4
Pascagoula	8,660	8,340	320	3.7
Pearl	12,460	12,140	320	2.5
Southaven	29,290	28,540	750	2.6
Starkville	12,480	12,110	370	2.9
Tupelo	17,740	17,190	550	3.1
Vicksburg	8,590	8,230	360	4.2

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Area	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Unemployment Rate
Mississippi	1,258,700	1,184,100	74,600	5.9
United States	160,607,000	151,778,000	8,829,000	5.5
Metropolitan Statistical Area				
Gulfport-Biloxi-Pascagoula MSA	164,990	154,970	10,020	6.1
Hattiesburg MSA	68,300	64,600	3,700	5.4
Jackson MSA	259,640	245,620	14,020	5.4
Workforce Development Area				
Delta WDA	91,450	83,360	8,090	8.8
Mississippi Partnership WDA	400,820	379,590	21,230	5.3
Southcentral Mississippi Works WDA	344,220	323,850	20,370	5.9
Twin Districts WDA	422,380	397,400	24,980	5.9
County				
Adams	10,820	9,880	940	8.7
Alcorn	14,970	14,220	750	5.0
Amite	4,540	4,200	340	7.6
Attala	6,970	6,530	440	6.4
Benton	3,040	2,810	230	7.4
Bolivar	11,740	10,810	930	8.0
Calhoun	5,720	5,430	290	5.0
Carroll	3,470	3,260	210	6.1
Chickasaw	6,960	6,490	470	6.7
Choctaw	3,670	3,490	180	4.8
Claiborne	3,030	2,650	380	12.5
Clarke	5,760	5,380	380	6.6
Clay	8,120	7,510	610	7.6
Coahoma	8,300	7,520	780	9.4

Copiah	10,890	10,130	760	7.0
Covington	8,190	7,750	440	5.4
DeSoto	91,960	87,550	4,410	4.8
Forrest	33,090	31,020	2,070	6.3
Franklin	2,740	2,550	190	6.9
George	9,050	8,440	610	6.8
Greene	4,320	4,020	300	7.0
Grenada	9,040	8,560	480	5.3
Hancock	19,070	17,860	1,210	6.3
Harrison	87,370	82,280	5,090	5.8
Hinds	101,630	94,800	6,830	6.7
Holmes	5,350	4,730	620	11.6
Humphreys	2,250	1,950	300	13.3
Issaquena	360	320	40	10.0
Itawamba	10,390	9,940	450	4.4
Jackson	58,560	54,840	3,720	6.3
Jasper	5,930	5,490	440	7.3
Jefferson	2,020	1,660	360	17.7
Jefferson Davis	3,940	3,620	320	8.2
Jones	24,880	23,420	1,460	5.9
Kemper	3,410	3,140	270	7.8
Lafayette	27,410	26,190	1,220	4.4
Lamar	30,970	29,630	1,340	4.3
Lauderdale	29,250	27,560	1,690	5.8
Lawrence	4,700	4,360	340	7.2
Leake	8,140	7,650	490	6.0
Lee	41,190	39,160	2,030	4.9
Leflore	9,940	9,030	910	9.1
Lincoln	14,780	14,030	750	5.1
Lowndes	24,640	23,060	1,580	6.4
Madison	52,550	50,150	2,400	4.6
Marion	10,320	9,750	570	5.6
Marshall	14,150	13,250	900	6.4
Monroe	15,650	14,790	860	5.5
Montgomery	3,890	3,640	250	6.4
Neshoba	10,380	9,800	580	5.6
Newton	8,270	7,800	470	5.7
Noxubee	3,750	3,410	340	9.2
Oktibbeha	22,650	21,290	1,360	6.0
Panola	12,700	11,700	1,000	7.8

Pearl River	23,390	21,960	1,430	6.1
Perry	4,240	3,950	290	6.8
Pike	14,590	13,510	1,080	7.4
Pontotoc	15,040	14,360	680	4.5
Prentiss	11,500	10,990	510	4.4
Quitman	2,500	2,270	230	9.1
Rankin	74,860	72,100	2,760	3.7
Scott	12,480	11,870	610	4.9
Sharkey	1,490	1,350	140	9.6
Simpson	10,560	10,000	560	5.3
Smith	6,810	6,510	300	4.4
Stone	7,010	6,620	390	5.6
Sunflower	7,690	6,930	760	9.9
Tallahatchie	4,980	4,680	300	6.0
Tate	12,150	11,410	740	6.1
Tippah	9,330	8,880	450	4.9
Tishomingo	8,380	7,990	390	4.6
Tunica	4,390	3,950	440	9.9
Union	14,010	13,420	590	4.2
Walthall	5,030	4,690	340	6.8
Warren	19,480	18,210	1,270	6.5
Washington	16,290	14,860	1,430	8.8
Wayne	7,550	7,040	510	6.8
Webster	4,020	3,790	230	5.7
Wilkinson	2,830	2,480	350	12.3
Winston	7,350	6,860	490	6.7
Yalobusha	4,870	4,570	300	6.1
Yazoo	9,170	8,450	720	7.8

Planning and Development District

Central Mississippi	279,140	263,840	15,300	5.5
East Central	90,430	85,200	5,230	5.8
Golden Triangle	74,200	69,410	4,790	6.5
North Central	43,530	40,320	3,210	7.4
North Delta	136,980	129,080	7,900	5.8
Northeast	61,370	58,140	3,230	5.3
South Delta	39,820	36,220	3,600	9.0
Southern	331,950	312,200	19,750	5.9
Southwest	65,080	60,010	5,070	7.8
Three Rivers	136,370	129,780	6,590	4.8

Community College District - For Coahoma & Meridian Community College Districts, refer to county data.

Copiah-Lincoln	56,510	52,610	3,900	6.9
East Central	46,620	43,980	2,640	5.7
East Mississippi	62,570	58,410	4,160	6.6
Gulf Coast	161,990	152,180	9,810	6.1
Hinds	199,000	187,760	11,240	5.6
Holmes	98,130	92,600	5,530	5.6
Itawamba	89,230	84,740	4,490	5.0
Jones	67,680	63,560	4,120	6.1
Mississippi Delta	49,760	45,250	4,510	9.1
Northeast	58,190	55,500	2,690	4.6
Northwest	183,870	173,810	10,060	5.5
Pearl River	120,780	113,840	6,940	5.7
Southwest	26,990	24,880	2,110	7.8
City				
Biloxi	19,480	18,390	1,090	5.6
Brandon	12,200	11,750	450	3.7
Clinton	12,080	11,530	550	4.6
Columbus	9,480	8,820	660	7.0
Greenville	10,910	9,940	970	8.9
Gulfport	28,640	26,810	1,830	6.4
Hattiesburg	21,360	20,070	1,290	6.0
Hattiesburg - Forest County	18,450	17,270	1,180	6.4
Hattiesburg - Lamar County	2,910	2,800	110	3.8
Horn Lake	12,630	12,020	610	4.8
Jackson	68,430	63,490	4,940	7.2
Madison	12,760	12,360	400	3.2
Meridian	13,840	12,960	880	6.3
Moss Point	5,070	4,650	420	8.2
Olive Branch	20,380	19,630	750	3.7
Oxford	14,900	14,320	580	3.9
Pascagoula	8,690	8,040	650	7.5
Pearl	12,450	11,910	540	4.4
Southaven	28,100	27,030	1,070	3.8
Starkville	12,330	11,660	670	5.4
Tupelo	17,750	16,820	930	5.2
Vicksburg	8,720	8,010	710	8.1

Twelve Month Moving Averages

May, 2022

Area	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Unemployment Rate
Mississippi	1,258,000	1,199,900	58,100	4.6
United States	162,688,000	155,575,000	7,113,000	4.4
Metropolitan Statistical Area				
Gulfport-Biloxi-Pascagoula MSA	166,350	158,490	7,860	4.7
Hattiesburg MSA	69,110	66,250	2,860	4.1
Jackson MSA	259,720	248,750	10,970	4.2
Workforce Development Area				
Delta WDA	17,760	17,060	700	3.9
Mississippi Partnership WDA	8,560	8,090	470	5.5
Southcentral Mississippi Works WDA	88,720	82,860	5,860	6.6
Twin Districts WDA	404,550	387,980	16,570	4.1
County				
Adams	10,580	9,870	710	6.7
Alcorn	15,260	14,650	610	4.0
Amite	4,380	4,110	270	6.2
Attala	6,990	6,650	340	4.9
Benton	3,060	2,900	160	5.2
Bolivar	11,320	10,690	630	5.6
Calhoun	5,390	5,160	230	4.3
Carroll	3,540	3,370	170	4.8
Chickasaw	6,880	6,530	350	5.1
Choctaw	3,580	3,430	150	4.2
Claiborne	2,950	2,660	290	9.8
Clarke	5,660	5,350	310	5.5
Clay	8,180	7,710	470	5.7
Coahoma	7,900	7,340	560	7.1
Copiah	10,720	10,140	580	5.4
Covington	8,190	7,850	340	4.2
DeSoto	93,970	90,520	3,450	3.7
Forrest	33,310	31,790	1,520	4.6
Franklin	2,640	2,480	160	6.1
George	8,690	8,160	530	6.1
Greene	4,180	3,900	280	6.7
Grenada	9,080	8,710	370	4.1
Hancock	19,190	18,270	920	4.8
Harrison	88,080	84,150	3,930	4.5
Hinds	101,300	96,210	5,090	5.0
Holmes	5,120	4,650	470	9.2
Humphreys	2,010	1,800	210	10.4
Issaquena	330	300	30	9.1

Itawamba	10,360	9,980	380	3.7
Jackson	59,070	56,070	3,000	5.1
Jasper	5,770	5,420	350	6.1
Jefferson	1,890	1,610	280	14.8
Jefferson Davis	3,880	3,630	250	6.4
Jones	24,490	23,320	1,170	4.8
Kemper	3,260	3,050	210	6.4
Lafayette	28,070	27,090	980	3.5
Lamar	31,550	30,450	1,100	3.5
Lauderdale	28,940	27,620	1,320	4.6
Lawrence	4,620	4,350	270	5.8
Leake	7,970	7,590	380	4.8
Lee	41,250	39,710	1,540	3.7
Leflore	10,060	9,410	650	6.5
Lincoln	14,880	14,260	620	4.2
Lowndes	25,210	23,990	1,220	4.8
Madison	52,800	50,890	1,910	3.6
Marion	10,410	9,960	450	4.3
Marshall	14,330	13,650	680	4.7
Monroe	15,920	15,240	680	4.3
Montgomery	3,910	3,710	200	5.1
Neshoba	10,040	9,550	490	4.9
Newton	8,220	7,840	380	4.6
Noxubee	3,550	3,280	270	7.6
Oktibbeha	22,630	21,590	1,040	4.6
Panola	12,580	11,850	730	5.8
Pearl River	23,490	22,390	1,100	4.7
Perry	4,250	4,010	240	5.6
Pike	14,350	13,490	860	6.0
Pontotoc	15,040	14,500	540	3.6
Prentiss	11,380	10,970	410	3.6
Quitman	2,330	2,170	160	6.9
Rankin	75,520	73,130	2,390	3.2
Scott	12,290	11,810	480	3.9
Sharkey	1,400	1,290	110	7.9
Simpson	10,490	10,030	460	4.4
Smith	6,580	6,320	260	4.0
Stone	6,970	6,650	320	4.6
Sunflower	7,410	6,870	540	7.3
Tallahatchie	4,730	4,490	240	5.1
Tate	12,200	11,640	560	4.6
Tippah	9,640	9,280	360	3.7
Tishomingo	8,370	8,030	340	4.1

Tunica	4,250	3,960	290	6.8
Union	14,280	13,810	470	3.3
Walthall	4,940	4,650	290	5.9
Warren	19,360	18,370	990	5.1
Washington	15,740	14,670	1,070	6.8
Wayne	7,400	6,980	420	5.7
Webster	3,970	3,790	180	4.5
Wilkinson	2,660	2,410	250	9.4
Winston	7,140	6,770	370	5.2
Yalobusha	4,910	4,690	220	4.5
Yazoo	8,890	8,350	540	6.1
Planning and Development District				
Central Mississippi	342,970	327,010	15,960	4.7
East Central	421,880	402,130	19,750	4.7
Golden Triangle	279,080	267,120	11,960	4.3
North Central	88,730	84,550	4,180	4.7
North Delta	74,260	70,560	3,700	5.0
Northeast	43,610	41,190	2,420	5.5
South Delta	137,960	131,970	5,990	4.3
Southern	62,040	59,480	2,560	4.1
Southwest	38,210	35,620	2,590	6.8
Three Rivers	333,150	317,580	15,570	4.7
Community College District - For Coahoma & Meridian Community College Districts refer to county data.				
Copiah-Lincoln	63,890	59,890	4,000	6.3
East Central	137,190	132,020	5,170	3.8
East Mississippi	55,820	52,740	3,080	5.5
Gulf Coast	45,660	43,560	2,100	4.6
Hinds	62,830	59,620	3,210	5.1
Holmes	162,810	155,030	7,780	4.8
Itawamba	199,130	190,370	8,760	4.4
Jones	97,880	93,550	4,330	4.4
Mississippi Delta	89,450	85,960	3,490	3.9
Northeast	66,520	63,150	3,370	5.1
Northwest	48,270	45,030	3,240	6.7
Pearl River	58,930	56,740	2,190	3.7
Southwest	185,820	178,120	7,700	4.1
City				
Biloxi	19,610	18,800	810	4.1
Brandon	12,290	11,920	370	3.0
Clinton	12,120	11,700	420	3.5
Columbus	9,690	9,180	510	5.3
Greenville	10,490	9,810	680	6.5
Gulfport	28,780	27,420	1,360	4.7

Hattiesburg	21,500	20,570	930	4.3
Hattiesburg - Forest County	18,540	17,700	840	4.5
Hattiesburg - Lamar County	2,980	2,880	100	3.4
Horn Lake	12,920	12,430	490	3.8
Jackson	67,990	64,430	3,560	5.2
Madison	12,920	12,550	370	2.9
Meridian	13,640	12,990	650	4.8
Moss Point	5,050	4,750	300	5.9
Olive Branch	20,930	20,300	630	3.0
Oxford	15,290	14,810	480	3.1
Pascagoula	8,680	8,220	460	5.3
Pearl	12,500	12,080	420	3.4
Southaven	28,900	27,950	950	3.3
Starkville	12,340	11,830	510	4.1
Tupelo	17,760	17,060	700	3.9
Vicksburg	8,560	8,090	470	5.5

Five Year Comparison of Unemployment Rates

Area	May-2022	May-2021	May-2020	May-2019	May-2018	May-2017
Mississippi	3.8	5.9	11.4	5.1	4.8	5.4
United States	3.4	5.5	13.0	3.4	3.6	4.1
Metropolitan Statistical Area						
Gulfport-Biloxi-Pascagoula MSA	3.8	6.1	16.3	5.2	5.0	5.6
Hattiesburg MSA	3.3	5.4	9.8	4.6	4.3	5.0
Jackson MSA	3.5	5.4	11.2	4.5	4.3	4.8
Workforce Development Area						
Delta WDA	5.4	8.8	13.0	6.8	6.4	7.2
Mississippi Partnership WDA	3.3	5.3	9.9	4.7	4.4	5.0
Southcentral MS Works WDA	3.8	5.9	11.4	4.9	4.6	5.2
Twin Districts WDA	3.8	5.9	12.3	5.2	5.0	5.6
County						
Adams	5.5	8.7	14.0	6.2	5.9	7.4
Alcorn	3.1	5.0	8.0	4.4	4.2	4.7
Amite	4.7	7.6	8.7	6.0	6.1	6.9
Attala	3.9	6.4	9.8	6.0	5.8	6.2
Benton	4.5	7.4	10.0	5.7	5.4	6.3
Bolivar	4.6	8.0	8.7	6.0	5.8	6.4
Calhoun	3.3	5.0	9.1	5.0	4.7	5.3
Carroll	3.9	6.1	8.9	5.8	6.1	6.3
Chickasaw	4.0	6.7	14.8	5.5	5.0	5.6
Choctaw	3.4	4.8	7.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Claiborne	8.6	12.5	18.2	10.1	8.1	10.0
Clarke	4.7	6.6	10.6	5.8	5.8	6.2
Clay	4.6	7.6	15.3	6.7	6.0	6.8
Coahoma	5.9	9.4	16.4	6.4	6.4	7.2
Copiah	4.4	7.0	10.1	6.2	5.3	6.0
Covington	3.4	5.4	7.9	4.5	4.6	5.1
DeSoto	2.9	4.8	8.0	4.2	3.8	4.3
Forrest	3.7	6.3	11.0	5.0	4.6	5.3
Franklin	4.6	6.9	9.5	6.0	5.5	7.0
George	5.1	6.8	11.4	6.5	5.8	6.9
Greene	6.3	7.0	11.1	7.2	5.7	7.7
Grenada	3.2	5.3	8.9	4.4	4.3	5.1
Hancock	3.8	6.3	13.3	5.2	5.1	5.9
Harrison	3.6	5.8	17.0	4.8	4.7	5.2
Hinds	4.2	6.7	13.9	5.0	4.7	5.3
Holmes	7.3	11.6	22.9	10.1	9.0	9.2
Humphreys	8.0	13.3	14.6	8.6	8.1	9.1
Issaquena	7.2	10.0	7.5	12.5	8.1	12.2
Itawamba	2.9	4.4	9.5	4.5	4.1	4.8

Jackson	4.2	6.3	16.1	5.7	5.4	6.1
Jasper	4.7	7.3	9.6	6.3	5.9	6.7
Jefferson	13.8	17.7	19.8	14.4	11.9	13.7
Jefferson Davis	5.4	8.2	11.2	6.2	6.3	6.8
Jones	3.9	5.9	8.0	5.1	5.1	5.8
Kemper	5.7	7.8	11.7	7.5	8.0	8.3
Lafayette	2.8	4.4	8.7	4.5	4.0	4.6
Lamar	2.8	4.3	8.4	4.0	3.8	4.3
Lauderdale	3.8	5.8	9.9	5.3	5.0	5.8
Lawrence	4.5	7.2	10.6	5.8	5.8	7.1
Leake	3.7	6.0	11.2	5.0	5.0	6.2
Lee	3.0	4.9	12.7	4.0	3.9	4.4
Leflore	5.4	9.1	11.7	6.7	6.4	7.3
Lincoln	3.3	5.1	10.0	5.1	4.5	5.5
Lowndes	4.0	6.4	11.4	5.0	4.8	5.7
Madison	2.9	4.6	10.8	4.2	3.8	4.2
Marion	3.4	5.6	8.5	5.0	5.2	5.9
Marshall	3.7	6.4	9.0	5.4	4.8	5.8
Monroe	3.4	5.5	12.4	5.2	4.9	5.4
Montgomery	4.1	6.4	9.7	5.6	5.4	5.2
Neshoba	3.8	5.6	14.5	5.6	4.9	5.5
Newton	3.6	5.7	11.2	5.5	4.9	5.4
Noxubee	6.3	9.2	13.4	6.7	6.7	7.4
Oktibbeha	3.8	6.0	10.4	5.7	4.9	5.7
Panola	4.7	7.8	12.1	6.4	5.9	7.4
Pearl River	3.7	6.1	9.6	4.8	4.9	5.7
Perry	4.5	6.8	10.8	6.2	5.6	6.8
Pike	4.8	7.4	10.7	5.9	5.6	6.3
Pontotoc	2.9	4.5	11.1	4.1	4.0	4.4
Prentiss	2.9	4.4	9.0	4.5	4.4	4.9
Quitman	5.6	9.1	12.6	7.3	7.2	9.3
Rankin	2.6	3.7	7.7	3.7	3.5	4.0
Scott	3.0	4.9	8.0	4.1	4.1	4.5
Sharkey	5.8	9.6	11.7	8.0	6.7	7.2
Simpson	3.4	5.3	8.1	4.9	4.7	5.3
Smith	3.2	4.4	6.2	4.8	4.5	5.0
Stone	3.8	5.6	10.7	5.7	6.0	6.8
Sunflower	6.0	9.9	10.3	7.5	7.1	7.8
Tallahatchie	4.1	6.0	7.4	4.7	5.1	5.2
Tate	3.7	6.1	9.6	5.4	5.1	5.4
Tippah	2.9	4.9	8.7	4.8	4.4	4.8
Tishomingo	3.3	4.6	8.4	4.5	4.6	5.2
Tunica	5.3	9.9	24.8	5.6	4.8	5.9

Union	2.5	4.2	10.5	3.9	3.6	4.0
Walthall	4.7	6.8	9.5	6.4	6.1	7.0
Warren	4.3	6.5	13.1	5.6	5.2	5.8
Washington	5.6	8.8	12.5	6.9	6.2	7.0
Wayne	4.6	6.8	9.4	5.5	5.7	6.7
Webster	3.5	5.7	8.7	5.6	5.2	5.5
Wilkinson	7.5	12.3	13.4	8.6	8.0	8.2
Winston	4.3	6.7	11.8	5.7	5.5	6.2
Yalobusha	3.5	6.1	11.4	5.6	4.7	5.8
Yazoo	4.9	7.8	14.8	5.8	5.6	6.2
Planning and Development District						
Central Miss.	3.5	5.5	11.3	4.6	4.3	4.8
East Central	3.8	5.8	10.3	5.3	5.1	5.7
Golden Triangle	4.1	6.5	11.3	5.6	5.2	5.9
North Central	4.5	7.4	11.9	6.2	5.9	6.5
North Delta	3.5	5.8	9.7	4.8	4.4	5.1
Northeast	3.3	5.3	8.7	4.8	4.5	5.1
South Delta	5.6	9.0	11.1	7.0	6.4	7.2
Southern	3.8	5.9	12.9	5.1	4.9	5.6
Southwest	5.1	7.8	11.6	6.4	5.9	7.0
Three Rivers	3.0	4.8	11.2	4.4	4.1	4.6
Community College District - For Coahoma & Meridian Community College Districts, refer to county data.						
Copiah-Lincoln	4.5	6.9	10.8	5.9	5.4	6.4
East Central	3.6	5.7	11.2	5.1	4.8	5.4
East Mississippi	4.2	6.6	11.7	5.7	5.3	6.1
Gulf Coast	3.9	6.1	16.1	5.3	5.0	5.7
Hinds	3.7	5.6	11.6	4.7	4.4	4.9
Holmes	3.6	5.6	11.4	5.0	4.7	5.1
Itawamba	3.2	5.0	12.2	4.4	4.2	4.7
Jones	4.2	6.1	8.7	5.4	5.3	6.0
Mississippi Delta	5.5	9.1	11.2	6.9	6.4	7.2
Northeast	2.9	4.6	8.9	4.4	4.2	4.7
Northwest	3.3	5.5	9.2	4.7	4.3	5.0
Pearl River	3.5	5.7	10.2	4.8	4.7	5.4
Southwest	5.0	7.8	10.4	6.3	6.0	6.7
City						
Biloxi	3.2	5.6	19.7	4.8	4.6	5.3
Brandon	2.4	3.7	7.7	N/A	N/A	N/A
Clinton	2.9	4.6	8.8	3.8	3.8	4.2
Columbus	4.5	7.0	13.0	5.2	5.2	6.0
Greenville	5.2	8.9	13.2	6.7	5.9	6.8
Gulfport	4.0	6.4	19.7	5.0	4.9	5.2
Hattiesburg	3.6	6.0	11.5	4.9	4.5	5.3

Hattiesburg - Forest County	3.7	6.4	11.9	5.1	4.6	5.4
Hattiesburg - Lamar County	2.7	3.8	9.0	3.7	3.4	4.7
Horn Lake	3.4	4.8	12.1	4.5	4.1	4.4
Jackson	4.4	7.2	15.6	5.2	4.9	5.5
Madison	2.4	3.2	7.7	3.5	3.4	3.7
Meridian	3.9	6.3	10.8	5.7	5.3	6.0
Moss Point	4.9	8.2	16.6	7.5	6.6	7.3
Olive Branch	2.5	3.7	6.0	3.7	3.3	3.7
Oxford	2.5	3.9	8.8	3.4	N/A	N/A
Pascagoula	4.2	7.5	15.5	5.7	5.9	6.7
Pearl	2.9	4.4	9.0	3.9	3.6	4.1
Southaven	2.7	3.8	7.9	3.8	3.4	3.9
Starkville	3.4	5.4	10.7	4.7	4.3	4.9
Tupelo	3.1	5.2	14.7	4.1	4.1	4.6
Vicksburg	4.8	8.1	16.5	6.1	5.9	6.7

Unemployment Insurance Statistics

For Metropolitan Statistical Areas and Workforce Development Areas

May 2022

	Regular Unemployment Insurance			All Programs
	Initial Claims	Cont'd Claims	Benefits Paid	Benefits Paid
Metropolitan Statistical Area				
Gulfport-Biloxi-Pascagoula MSA	546	2,102	\$312,486	\$329,334
Hattiesburg MSA	226	747	\$112,388	\$130,982
Jackson MSA	1,025	3,643	\$472,139	\$485,321
Workforce Development Area				
Delta WDA	979	2,896	\$369,238	\$380,679
Mississippi Partnership WDA	3,583	5,509	\$638,509	\$657,763
Southcentral Mississippi Works WDA	1,427	4,924	\$644,900	\$690,402
Twin Districts WDA	1,473	5,522	\$804,970	\$859,497

April 2022

	Regular Unemployment Insurance			All Programs
	Initial Claims	Cont'd Claims	Benefits Paid	Benefits Paid
Metropolitan Statistical Area				
Gulfport-Biloxi-Pascagoula MSA	446	1,557	\$258,551	\$312,163
Hattiesburg MSA	159	589	\$91,213	\$94,585
Jackson MSA	742	2,709	\$378,645	\$422,163
Workforce Development Area				
Delta WDA	469	2,191	\$339,459	\$368,885
Mississippi Partnership WDA	887	3,299	\$475,244	\$498,635
Southcentral Mississippi Works WDA	984	3,663	\$513,663	\$594,370
Twin Districts WDA	1,108	4,104	\$642,620	\$711,018

May 2021

	Regular Unemployment Insurance			All Programs
	Initial Claims	Cont'd Claims	Benefits Paid	Benefits Paid
Metropolitan Statistical Area				
Gulfport-Biloxi-Pascagoula MSA	1,299	15,445	\$1,587,151	\$23,879,135
Hattiesburg MSA	556	5,249	\$517,601	\$7,713,858
Jackson MSA	2,286	24,463	\$2,420,891	\$35,369,605
Workforce Development Area				
Delta WDA	1,758	18,568	\$1,719,392	\$23,258,082
Mississippi Partnership WDA	3,270	31,591	\$3,253,149	\$38,263,994
Southcentral Mississippi Works WDA	3,201	33,243	\$3,254,813	\$48,048,056
Twin Districts WDA	3,603	34,933	\$3,472,506	\$52,581,300

Unemployment Insurance Statistics

County Data - Claims

County	May 2022		April 2022		May 2021	
	Initial Claims	Cont'd Claims	Initial Claims	Cont'd Claims	Initial Claims	Cont'd Claims
Adams	55	192	33	158	139	1,322
Alcorn	82	111	52	85	113	805
Amite	13	24	5	23	44	193
Attala	22	96	27	82	63	666
Benton	40	65	14	26	41	329
Bolivar	173	415	56	237	330	2,281
Calhoun	149	111	15	39	57	654
Carroll	14	18	2	25	17	303
Chickasaw	240	226	35	71	94	1,148
Choctaw	17	48	7	45	27	236
Claiborne	59	109	20	70	57	790
Clarke	23	133	22	77	71	497
Clay	96	185	38	141	117	1,678
Coahoma	87	307	45	249	190	2,126
Copiah	50	189	39	146	149	1,108
Covington	22	90	15	73	61	601
DeSoto	196	630	106	517	374	3,630
Forrest	148	460	106	378	366	3,366
Franklin	14	39	14	33	21	154
George	32	161	34	113	99	552
Greene	21	112	12	67	35	267
Grenada	63	129	29	113	91	871
Hancock	36	159	34	98	117	1,068
Harrison	290	1,102	218	829	679	8,811
Hinds	618	2,039	413	1,401	1,239	14,148
Holmes	70	205	42	153	122	1,575
Humphreys	24	77	11	83	69	599
Issaquena	1	19	3	20	6	79
Itawamba	88	116	13	43	58	509
Jackson	220	841	194	630	503	5,566
Jasper	39	109	22	82	78	609
Jefferson	43	93	9	36	72	440
Jefferson Davis	18	67	18	52	49	409
Jones	85	304	59	220	226	1,951
Kemper	38	125	13	82	41	471
Lafayette	125	275	41	193	259	1,574
Lamar	59	247	49	180	155	1,565
Lauderdale	138	594	100	407	298	3,147

Lawrence	11	50	11	43	40	312
Leake	29	114	24	88	94	674
Lee	388	600	85	386	358	3,909
Leflore	77	387	43	279	162	2,259
Lincoln	42	135	37	103	77	833
Lowndes	187	516	85	355	286	3,098
Madison	151	607	125	520	373	4,137
Marion	33	93	26	68	91	754
Marshall	126	172	28	102	132	1,168
Monroe	249	396	51	162	142	1,583
Montgomery	17	98	16	66	32	403
Neshoba	38	111	24	92	88	616
Newton	30	62	22	55	82	599
Noxubee	58	154	15	101	69	653
Oktibbeha	143	289	52	175	258	2,321
Panola	106	289	57	194	195	1,885
Pearl River	39	142	38	98	161	824
Perry	19	40	4	31	35	318
Pike	60	245	35	181	135	1,328
Pontotoc	548	339	21	86	102	1,080
Prentiss	154	132	19	56	86	804
Quitman	46	112	18	52	56	474
Rankin	140	537	98	394	341	2,856
Scott	47	124	32	107	87	846
Sharkey	17	42	10	35	20	298
Simpson	21	100	24	82	55	641
Smith	18	58	7	61	38	257
Stone	27	61	11	35	60	455
Sunflower	66	259	44	222	114	1,660
Tallahatchie	54	125	19	104	51	607
Tate	61	168	41	86	102	972
Tippah	104	130	19	69	72	595
Tishomingo	29	61	10	40	57	297
Tunica	38	89	16	76	67	1,127
Union	307	197	20	60	93	868
Walthall	21	68	14	29	82	393
Warren	75	312	61	257	199	2,863
Washington	206	552	103	462	359	3,295
Wayne	24	213	24	181	89	710
Webster	23	40	3	37	25	430
Wilkinson	9	14	3	21	49	152
Winston	37	177	32	128	57	748
Yalobusha	34	48	13	35	105	562
Yazoo	45	171	43	166	129	1,573

Unemployment Insurance Statistics

County Data - Benefits Paid

	May 2022		April 2022		May 2021	
	Benefits Paid Regular UI	Benefits Paid All Programs	Benefits Paid Regular UI	Benefits Paid All Programs	Benefits Paid Regular UI	Benefits Paid All Programs
County						
Adams	\$25,904	\$25,904	\$22,793	\$22,793	\$121,488	\$1,970,922
Alcorn	\$13,091	\$13,091	\$10,100	\$10,770	\$87,677	\$1,153,869
Amite	\$4,474	\$4,474	\$4,313	\$4,689	\$22,437	\$374,455
Attala	\$17,156	\$17,156	\$11,137	\$11,137	\$68,074	\$962,673
Benton	\$7,206	\$7,206	\$2,920	\$2,920	\$36,493	\$381,233
Bolivar	\$49,212	\$49,612	\$33,795	\$34,885	\$216,637	\$2,519,912
Calhoun	\$5,589	\$5,589	\$5,780	\$6,015	\$68,721	\$626,289
Carroll	\$1,553	\$2,258	\$2,590	\$3,295	\$26,067	\$416,201
Chickasaw	\$13,451	\$13,451	\$5,387	\$5,387	\$133,435	\$1,210,223
Choctaw	\$8,567	\$8,567	\$7,716	\$7,716	\$19,497	\$339,881
Claiborne	\$12,817	\$18,457	\$8,587	\$14,452	\$80,578	\$1,063,139
Clarke	\$17,504	\$17,504	\$12,007	\$12,007	\$51,691	\$653,033
Clay	\$22,408	\$22,708	\$15,548	\$16,318	\$175,205	\$1,822,637
Coahoma	\$39,073	\$39,073	\$38,797	\$39,697	\$187,390	\$2,317,250
Copiah	\$20,527	\$20,527	\$16,882	\$17,799	\$119,748	\$1,642,130
Covington	\$11,801	\$13,301	\$8,053	\$10,753	\$57,124	\$1,105,693
DeSoto	\$100,476	\$102,605	\$68,440	\$76,464	\$394,587	\$4,905,627
Forrest	\$72,519	\$73,519	\$58,323	\$59,943	\$306,388	\$4,861,614
Franklin	\$5,983	\$5,983	\$3,101	\$3,101	\$13,619	\$203,153
George	\$25,893	\$25,893	\$19,052	\$19,052	\$66,193	\$1,114,883
Greene	\$19,783	\$20,018	\$10,935	\$11,875	\$27,282	\$461,366
Grenada	\$14,260	\$14,260	\$18,380	\$18,380	\$60,031	\$1,125,122
Hancock	\$24,914	\$24,914	\$17,193	\$20,529	\$114,833	\$2,072,349
Harrison	\$155,084	\$169,059	\$137,537	\$152,438	\$893,112	\$13,489,374
Hinds	\$253,383	\$259,151	\$188,145	\$220,106	\$1,296,242	\$21,342,082
Holmes	\$26,238	\$26,238	\$22,445	\$22,980	\$160,915	\$2,031,656
Humphreys	\$15,248	\$15,458	\$10,692	\$10,692	\$46,572	\$926,851
Issaquena	\$3,535	\$5,650	\$3,587	\$5,467	\$10,446	\$57,543
Itawamba	\$11,660	\$11,660	\$6,709	\$6,709	\$64,566	\$627,166
Jackson	\$132,488	\$135,361	\$103,821	\$139,196	\$579,206	\$8,317,412
Jasper	\$20,142	\$25,647	\$12,901	\$13,841	\$63,509	\$768,695
Jefferson	\$8,915	\$17,350	\$5,949	\$10,159	\$55,191	\$616,769
Jefferson Davis	\$5,548	\$6,748	\$4,918	\$5,035	\$35,945	\$748,105
Jones	\$46,507	\$49,737	\$29,414	\$30,314	\$186,613	\$2,679,181
Kemper	\$14,418	\$14,418	\$12,798	\$12,798	\$47,817	\$562,528
Lafayette	\$37,740	\$37,740	\$34,036	\$34,036	\$148,119	\$1,705,652
Lamar	\$33,630	\$50,049	\$27,185	\$27,997	\$172,840	\$2,353,626

Lauderdale	\$80,422	\$80,422	\$65,759	\$65,759	\$279,798	\$3,689,144
Lawrence	\$7,981	\$7,981	\$6,197	\$7,397	\$31,765	\$574,635
Leake	\$16,961	\$16,961	\$14,197	\$14,497	\$65,122	\$800,441
Lee	\$67,163	\$67,163	\$61,679	\$64,497	\$426,953	\$4,474,649
Leflore	\$51,672	\$51,672	\$54,612	\$56,360	\$214,072	\$2,657,379
Lincoln	\$18,388	\$18,388	\$16,498	\$16,498	\$70,186	\$1,322,193
Lowndes	\$70,792	\$78,867	\$47,510	\$48,450	\$289,745	\$3,670,084
Madison	\$88,376	\$92,026	\$85,039	\$87,049	\$459,310	\$4,903,700
Marion	\$10,976	\$10,976	\$7,814	\$7,814	\$83,534	\$1,159,669
Marshall	\$19,831	\$24,531	\$15,330	\$19,176	\$99,460	\$1,572,378
Monroe	\$34,592	\$35,704	\$22,135	\$23,275	\$175,629	\$1,863,566
Montgomery	\$13,526	\$13,526	\$10,239	\$10,239	\$40,526	\$567,795
Neshoba	\$12,741	\$12,741	\$14,441	\$14,441	\$62,154	\$917,546
Newton	\$6,082	\$8,482	\$8,855	\$8,855	\$50,264	\$621,512
Noxubee	\$20,618	\$20,618	\$16,607	\$16,907	\$62,966	\$923,271
Oktibbeha	\$33,559	\$33,559	\$23,542	\$23,542	\$208,990	\$2,398,250
Panola	\$31,092	\$32,462	\$29,425	\$31,967	\$167,234	\$2,440,485
Pearl River	\$22,542	\$27,557	\$20,354	\$25,571	\$78,755	\$2,200,696
Perry	\$6,239	\$7,414	\$5,705	\$6,645	\$38,373	\$498,618
Pike	\$31,472	\$31,472	\$23,570	\$29,270	\$106,855	\$2,032,095
Pontotoc	\$17,035	\$17,035	\$15,900	\$15,900	\$134,971	\$1,271,705
Prentiss	\$13,069	\$13,069	\$8,664	\$9,990	\$76,453	\$1,036,640
Quitman	\$12,721	\$12,721	\$10,470	\$18,933	\$46,709	\$554,086
Rankin	\$78,491	\$81,080	\$60,936	\$63,209	\$328,306	\$4,358,851
Scott	\$15,841	\$15,841	\$9,404	\$9,404	\$83,095	\$1,075,698
Sharkey	\$3,435	\$3,435	\$6,360	\$6,360	\$27,739	\$389,026
Simpson	\$12,232	\$12,232	\$8,500	\$9,700	\$63,041	\$1,005,302
Smith	\$9,839	\$9,839	\$8,797	\$8,797	\$23,045	\$446,671
Stone	\$8,100	\$8,100	\$4,342	\$4,342	\$44,074	\$768,179
Sunflower	\$38,830	\$39,535	\$31,619	\$38,043	\$146,756	\$2,220,664
Tallahatchie	\$14,166	\$14,166	\$17,416	\$17,416	\$66,997	\$993,904
Tate	\$22,917	\$23,687	\$11,923	\$12,863	\$100,904	\$1,310,547
Tippah	\$15,161	\$15,161	\$11,455	\$11,455	\$71,228	\$793,474
Tishomingo	\$8,483	\$8,483	\$5,245	\$5,245	\$31,013	\$457,226
Tunica	\$12,820	\$12,820	\$10,757	\$11,057	\$107,004	\$1,133,218
Union	\$12,854	\$12,947	\$9,510	\$10,012	\$99,368	\$967,500
Walthall	\$8,814	\$8,814	\$4,471	\$4,471	\$35,893	\$611,766
Warren	\$45,428	\$63,673	\$36,523	\$56,361	\$280,082	\$3,549,619
Washington	\$69,643	\$75,579	\$66,894	\$71,733	\$294,854	\$4,599,907
Wayne	\$34,996	\$34,996	\$28,815	\$29,115	\$61,739	\$1,215,267
Webster	\$7,191	\$8,366	\$6,064	\$7,944	\$39,443	\$490,603
Wilkinson	\$2,585	\$2,585	\$3,016	\$3,016	\$15,828	\$359,705
Winston	\$25,274	\$26,174	\$17,755	\$17,755	\$87,025	\$965,609
Yalobusha	\$4,840	\$4,840	\$5,533	\$5,533	\$52,070	\$640,325
Yazoo	\$19,130	\$20,305	\$19,143	\$24,300	\$154,244	\$2,117,540

References

List of Counties in each Metropolitan Statistical Area

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

Hattiesburg MSA — Forrest, Lamar, and Perry

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

List of Counties in each Workforce Development Area

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

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

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

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

List of Counties in each Planning and Development District

Central Mississippi — Copiah, Hinds, Madison, Rankin, Simpson, Warren, and Yazoo

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

Golden Triangle — Choctaw, Clay, Lowndes, Noxubee, Oktibbeha, Webster, and Winston

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

North Delta — Coahoma, DeSoto, Panola, Quitman, Tallahatchie, Tate and Tunica

Northeast Mississippi — Alcorn, Benton, Marshall, Prentiss, Tippah, and Tishomingo

South Delta — Bolivar, Humphreys, Issaquena, Sharkey, Sunflower, and Washington

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

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

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

List of Counties in each Community College District

Coahoma — Coahoma County

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

Glossary of Terms

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

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

Civilian Noninstitutionalized Population — includes 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, with occasional exceptions, ex. November and December.

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 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 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 — represents the number of unemployed population 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.