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## Unemployment Rate Down in All Metro Areas

### *Jobs up in Eleven Metros*

#### Not Seasonally Adjusted Unemployment Rates

| Metropolitan Area                    | June 2019 | June 2018 | Over-the-Year Change |
|--------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|----------------------|
| Bloomington                          | 3.7%      | 4.7%      | -1.0                 |
| Carbondale-Marion                    | 4.0%      | 5.4%      | -1.4                 |
| Champaign-Urbana                     | 3.8%      | 5.0%      | -1.2                 |
| Chicago-Naperville-Arlington Heights | 4.1%      | 4.4%      | -0.3                 |
| Danville                             | 4.7%      | 6.4%      | -1.7                 |
| Davenport-Moline-Rock Island, IA-IL  | 3.8%      | 4.2%      | -0.4                 |
| Decatur                              | 5.0%      | 6.0%      | -1.0                 |
| Elgin                                | 3.8%      | 4.9%      | -1.1                 |
| Kankakee                             | 4.3%      | 5.4%      | -1.1                 |
| Lake-Kenosha, IL-WI                  | 3.6%      | 4.4%      | -0.8                 |
| Peoria                               | 4.1%      | 5.3%      | -1.2                 |
| Rockford                             | 5.3%      | 5.5%      | -0.2                 |
| Springfield                          | 3.6%      | 4.5%      | -0.9                 |
| St. Louis (IL-Section)               | 3.9%      | 5.0%      | -1.1                 |
| Illinois Statewide                   | 4.0%      | 4.7%      | -0.7                 |

*\* Data subject to revision.*

**CHICAGO**– Unemployment rates decreased over-the-year in June in all fourteen Illinois metropolitan areas, according to preliminary data released today by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) and the Illinois Department of Employment Security (IDES). Data also show the number of nonfarm jobs increased in eleven Illinois metropolitan areas and decreased in three.

“Job growth is reaching all corners of Illinois and this administration is acting boldly to build upon that momentum,” said Deputy Governor Dan Hynes. “On the strength of a bipartisan budget and capital bill, Illinois is once again investing in its roads, bridges, and universities to create an economy that supports working families.”

Illinois businesses added jobs in eleven metro areas, with the largest percentage increases in: Carbondale-Marion (+2.9%, +1,600), Lake-Kenosha (+2.6%, +11,200), and Peoria (+2.3%, +4,000). The Chicago-Naperville-Arlington Heights metro

division was up (+63,500 or +1.7%). The metro areas showing over-the-year decreases in total nonfarm jobs were Danville (-1.1%, -300), the Illinois section of St. Louis MSA (-0.7%, -1,600), and Kankakee (-0.2%, -100).

The industry sectors recording job growth in the majority of metro areas included Professional and Business Services (11 of 14), Leisure and Hospitality (10 of 14), Mining and Construction (9 of 14), Manufacturing (8 of 14), Education and Health Services (8 of 14), and Government (8 of 14).

Not seasonally adjusted data compares June 2019 with June 2018. The not seasonally adjusted Illinois rate was 4.0 percent in June 2019 and stood at 12.2 percent at its peak in this economic cycle in January 2010. Nationally, the not seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 3.8 percent in June 2019 and 10.6 percent in January 2010 at its peak. The unemployment rate identifies those who are out of work and looking for work and is not tied to collecting unemployment insurance benefits.

#### Total Nonfarm Jobs (Not Seasonally Adjusted) – June 2019

| Metropolitan Area                                   | June 2019* | June 2018** | Over-the-Year Change |
|---|------------|-------------|----------------------|
| Bloomington MSA                                     | 91,000     | 90,500      | 500                  |
| Carbondale-Marion MSA                               | 57,000     | 55,400      | 1,600                |
| Champaign-Urbana MSA                                | 109,300    | 107,200     | 2,100                |
| Chicago-Naperville-Arlington Heights Metro Division | 3,881,500  | 3,818,000   | 63,500               |
| Danville MSA  | 27,600     | 27,900      | -300                 |
| Davenport-Moline-Rock Island MSA                    | 191,500    | 188,700     | 2,800                |
| Decatur MSA   | 52,700     | 52,100      | 600                  |
| Elgin Metro Division                                | 270,500    | 264,800     | 5,700                |
| Kankakee MSA  | 46,300     | 46,400      | -100                 |
| Lake-County-Kenosha County Metro Division           | 441,800    | 430,600     | 11,200               |
| Peoria MSA  | 179,500    | 175,500     | 4,000                |
| Rockford MSA  | 155,600    | 154,800     | 800                  |
| Springfield MSA                                     | 116,700    | 115,100     | 1,600                |
| Illinois Section of St. Louis MSA                   | 240,300    | 241,900     | -1,600               |
| Illinois Statewide                                  | 6,265,800  | 6,171,100   | 94,700               |

*\*Preliminary \*\*Revised*

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**Not Seasonally Adjusted Unemployment Rates  
(percent) for Local Counties and Areas**

| <b>Labor Market Area</b>       | <b>June<br/>2019</b> | <b>June<br/>2018</b> | <b>Over-the-<br/>Year<br/>Change</b> |
|--------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|--------------------------------------|
| <b>Carbondale – Marion MSA</b> | 4.0%                 | 5.4%                 | -1.4%                                |
| Jackson County                 | 3.8%                 | 5.2%                 | -1.4%                                |
| Williamson County              | 4.1%                 | 5.7%                 | -1.6%                                |
| <b>Surrounding Counties</b>    |                      |                      |                                      |
| Alexander County               | 6.4%                 | 9.4%                 | -3.0%                                |
| Franklin County                | 4.7%                 | 6.4%                 | -1.7%                                |
| Johnson County                 | 5.9%                 | 8.1%                 | -2.2%                                |
| Massac County                  | 5.7%                 | 8.0%                 | -2.3%                                |
| Perry County                   | 4.9%                 | 6.5%                 | -1.6%                                |
| Pulaski County                 | 5.5%                 | 8.6%                 | -3.1%                                |
| Randolph County                | 3.5%                 | 4.9%                 | -1.4%                                |
| Union County                   | 4.9%                 | 6.1%                 | -1.2%                                |
| <b>Harrisburg Area</b>         |                      |                      |                                      |
| Gallatin County                | 4.4%                 | 6.1%                 | -1.7%                                |
| Hamilton County                | 3.2%                 | 4.2%                 | -1.0%                                |
| Hardin County                  | 6.8%                 | 9.2%                 | -2.4%                                |
| Pope County                    | 5.4%                 | 6.5%                 | -1.1%                                |
| Saline County                  | 5.0%                 | 6.8%                 | -1.8%                                |
| White County                   | 3.4%                 | 4.3%                 | -0.9%                                |
| <b>Olney – Mt. Carmel Area</b> |                      |                      |                                      |
| Edwards County                 | 3.6%                 | 4.5%                 | -0.9%                                |
| Lawrence County                | 4.9%                 | 6.2%                 | -1.3%                                |
| Richland County                | 3.8%                 | 4.9%                 | -1.1%                                |
| Wabash County                  | 3.6%                 | 4.7%                 | -1.1%                                |
| Wayne County                   | 4.4%                 | 5.6%                 | -1.2%                                |
| <b>Other Areas</b>             |                      |                      |                                      |
| LWA 23                         | 3.9%                 | 5.0%                 | -1.1%                                |
| LWA 24                         | 3.9%                 | 5.0%                 | -1.1%                                |
| LWA 25                         | 4.3%                 | 5.8%                 | -1.5%                                |
| LWA 26                         | 4.6%                 | 6.2%                 | -1.6%                                |
| Southern EDR                   | 4.4%                 | 5.9%                 | -1.5%                                |

## Southern Illinois Highlights

### Carbondale – Marion Area

Non-farm employment increased by +1,600 compared to last June.

Employment gains were posted in the Private sector (+1,000) and Government (+600).

### Surrounding Counties

Non-farm employment increased by +300 compared to last June.

Employment gains were posted in Educational & Health Services (+200), Leisure & Hospitality (+200), Construction (+100), and Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities (+100). Slight increases were reported in Government and Professional & Business Services.

Employment in Manufacturing (-200) declined. Slight decreases were reported in Retail Trade, Financial Activities, Wholesale Trade, Natural Resources & Mining, and Other Services.

### Harrisburg Area

Non-farm employment increased by +200 over the year.

Employment gains were posted in Government (+100) and Professional & Business Services (+100). Slight increases were reported in Educational & Health Services, Natural Resources & Mining, Financial Activities, and Information.

Employment in Retail Trade, Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities, Leisure & Hospitality, Construction, Manufacturing, Other Services, and Wholesale Trade declined slightly.

### Olney – Mt. Carmel Area

Non-farm employment increased by +100 over the year.

Slight employment gains were posted in Leisure & Hospitality, Manufacturing, Construction, Professional & Business Services, Government, Wholesale Trade, Financial Activities, and Educational & Health Services.

Employment in Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities, Other Services, Retail Trade, Information, and Natural Resources & Mining declined slightly.

**Note:** Monthly 2018 unemployment rates and total nonfarm jobs for Illinois metro areas were revised in February and March 2019, as required by the U.S. BLS. Comments and tables distributed for prior metro area news releases should be discarded as any records or historical analysis previously cited may no longer be valid.

LWA 23 — Local Workforce Area 23 is composed of Clark, Clay, Coles, Crawford, Cumberland, Douglas, Edgar, Effingham, Fayette, Jasper, Lawrence, Marion, Moultrie, and Richland Counties.

LWA 24 — Local Workforce Area 24 is composed of Clinton, Monroe, Randolph, St. Clair, and Washington Counties.

LWA 25 — Local Workforce Area 25 is composed of Franklin, Jackson, Jefferson, Perry, and Williamson Counties.

LWA 26 — Local Workforce Area 26 is composed of Alexander, Edwards, Gallatin, Hamilton, Hardin, Johnson, Massac, Pope, Pulaski, Saline, Union, Wabash, Wayne, and White Counties.