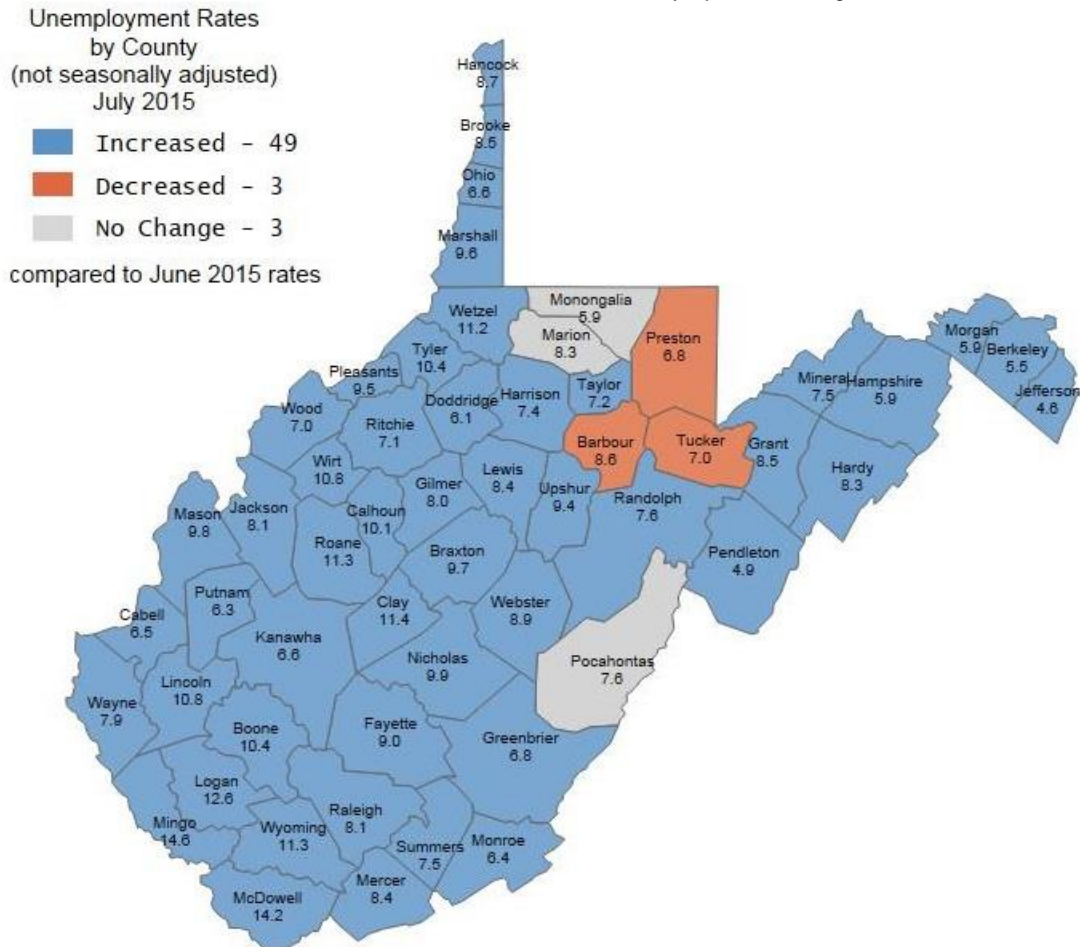


County Emphasis

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West Virginia's not seasonally adjusted unemployment rate rose four-tenths of a percentage point to 7.6 in July 2015. Unemployment rates increased in 49 counties, decreased in three counties, and was unchanged in three counties. Counties with an unemployment rate above 14.0 percent included McDowell (14.2) and Mingo (14.6). Counties with an unemployment rate below 5.0 percent included Pendleton (4.9) and Jefferson (4.6). The state's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate increased one tenth of a percentage point to 7.5 percent.

WEST VIRGINIA LABOR FORCE STATISTICS, BY COUNTY

County	Civilian Labor Force			Total Employment			Total Unemployment			Unemployment Rate		
	July 2015	June 2015	July 2014	July 2015	June 2015	July 2014	July 2015	June 2015	July 2014	July 2015	June 2015	July 2014
Barbour	6,760	6,840	6,700	6,180	6,240	6,260	580	600	440	8.6	8.8	6.6
Berkeley	52,510	52,770	52,810	49,630	49,990	50,050	2,880	2,780	2,760	5.5	5.3	5.2
Boone*	8,550	8,660	8,650	7,660	7,770	7,860	890	890	790	10.4	10.2	9.2
Braxton	5,250	5,340	5,260	4,740	4,860	4,830	510	480	430	9.7	8.9	8.2
Brooke	10,440	10,480	10,340	9,550	9,650	9,600	880	830	740	8.5	7.9	7.2
Cabell*	41,880	42,320	42,300	39,180	39,740	39,900	2,710	2,580	2,400	6.5	6.1	5.7
Calhoun	2,980	3,040	2,840	2,680	2,740	2,620	300	300	220	10.1	9.9	7.6
Clay*	3,410	3,440	3,410	3,020	3,060	3,080	390	380	330	11.4	10.9	9.8
Doddridge*	3,780	3,800	3,730	3,550	3,580	3,560	230	220	170	6.1	5.7	4.6
Fayette*	16,660	16,720	16,720	15,150	15,240	15,380	1,500	1,490	1,340	9.0	8.9	8.0
Gilmer	2,690	2,780	2,740	2,470	2,570	2,580	220	210	170	8.0	7.7	6.0
Grant	5,890	5,910	5,780	5,380	5,450	5,360	500	460	420	8.5	7.7	7.2
Greenbrier	15,400	15,310	15,980	14,350	14,350	15,070	1,050	960	910	6.8	6.3	5.7
Hampshire	9,980	10,020	9,680	9,400	9,480	9,130	590	550	550	5.9	5.4	5.7
Hancock	13,400	13,460	13,400	12,230	12,360	12,340	1,170	1,100	1,060	8.7	8.2	7.9
Hardy	5,590	5,510	5,380	5,130	5,110	4,980	460	400	400	8.3	7.2	7.4
Harrison*	31,800	31,990	32,440	29,440	29,770	30,770	2,350	2,220	1,670	7.4	6.9	5.1
Jackson	11,940	12,120	12,150	10,970	11,190	11,360	960	930	790	8.1	7.7	6.5
Jefferson	27,160	27,450	27,570	25,900	26,200	26,360	1,260	1,250	1,210	4.6	4.5	4.4
Kanawha*	88,120	89,110	89,570	82,320	83,520	84,420	5,810	5,580	5,150	6.6	6.3	5.8
Lewis	7,420	7,410	7,360	6,790	6,800	6,950	630	610	420	8.4	8.2	5.7
Lincoln*	7,490	7,530	7,520	6,680	6,790	6,810	810	750	710	10.8	9.9	9.5
Logan*	11,820	12,040	12,020	10,340	10,620	10,740	1,490	1,430	1,280	12.6	11.8	10.6
McDowell	5,500	5,530	5,850	4,720	4,780	5,070	780	760	780	14.2	13.7	13.3
Marion*	26,460	26,710	26,500	24,270	24,490	24,920	2,190	2,220	1,580	8.3	8.3	6.0
Marshall*	14,570	14,730	14,350	13,170	13,370	13,300	1,390	1,360	1,050	9.6	9.2	7.3
Mason*	10,290	10,390	10,240	9,290	9,450	9,270	1,010	940	980	9.8	9.1	9.5
Mercer*	22,000	22,470	22,210	20,160	20,670	20,540	1,840	1,800	1,670	8.4	8.0	7.5
Mineral	11,870	11,840	12,100	10,980	10,970	11,210	890	880	890	7.5	7.4	7.4
Mingo	7,490	7,730	7,870	6,400	6,640	6,900	1,090	1,090	970	14.6	14.1	12.3
Monongalia*	48,940	48,940	49,580	46,040	46,050	47,290	2,900	2,900	2,300	5.9	5.9	4.6
Monroe	5,850	5,790	5,710	5,470	5,440	5,410	370	340	310	6.4	5.9	5.4
Morgan	7,500	7,520	7,510	7,060	7,100	7,100	450	430	410	5.9	5.7	5.5
Nicholas	10,240	10,280	10,100	9,220	9,340	9,190	1,020	940	910	9.9	9.2	9.0
Ohio*	21,390	21,640	21,400	19,980	20,280	20,190	1,400	1,360	1,210	6.6	6.3	5.7
Pendleton	3,660	3,640	3,480	3,490	3,480	3,310	180	150	160	4.9	4.2	4.7
Pleasants	2,920	2,950	3,000	2,640	2,670	2,790	280	280	210	9.5	9.3	7.0
Pocahontas	3,890	3,790	3,570	3,590	3,500	3,290	290	290	280	7.6	7.6	7.8
Preston*	14,390	14,410	14,410	13,400	13,410	13,560	980	1,000	850	6.8	6.9	5.9
Putnam*	25,680	25,900	25,880	24,070	24,350	24,490	1,610	1,550	1,390	6.3	6.0	5.4
Raleigh*	31,260	31,280	31,450	28,740	28,860	29,230	2,520	2,420	2,220	8.1	7.7	7.1
Randolph*	12,060	12,100	12,040	11,150	11,250	11,250	910	840	790	7.6	7.0	6.5
Ritchie	4,710	4,680	4,680	4,370	4,360	4,430	340	320	250	7.1	6.8	5.3
Roane	5,390	5,410	5,350	4,780	4,810	4,890	610	610	460	11.3	11.2	8.6
Summers	4,550	4,600	4,590	4,210	4,270	4,300	340	330	290	7.5	7.1	6.3
Taylor*	7,820	7,860	7,810	7,250	7,320	7,410	570	530	400	7.2	6.8	5.2
Tucker	3,300	3,280	3,410	3,070	3,050	3,190	230	230	230	7.0	7.1	6.6
Tyler	3,720	3,760	3,600	3,330	3,390	3,280	390	370	320	10.4	9.9	8.8
Upshur	9,590	9,640	9,470	8,690	8,780	8,850	900	860	630	9.4	9.0	6.6
Wayne*	15,900	16,020	16,020	14,640	14,840	14,920	1,250	1,190	1,100	7.9	7.4	6.8
Webster	3,520	3,480	3,500	3,210	3,210	3,220	310	270	280	8.9	7.9	8.0
Wetzel	7,380	7,400	7,390	6,550	6,580	6,650	830	820	740	11.2	11.1	10.1
Wirt*	2,330	2,320	2,320	2,070	2,080	2,100	250	240	230	10.8	10.3	9.7
Wood*	37,970	38,200	38,370	35,310	35,680	36,120	2,660	2,530	2,260	7.0	6.6	5.9
Wyoming	7,710	7,820	8,200	6,840	6,980	7,410	870	840	790	11.3	10.8	9.6
Statewide	790,700	796,100	796,300	730,900	738,500	745,000	59,800	57,600	51,300	7.6	7.2	6.4

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UNITED STATES In Thousands, Not Seasonally Adjusted	158,527	158,283	157,573	149,722	149,645	147,265	8,805	8,638	10,307	5.6	5.5	6.5
UNITED STATES In Thousands, Seasonally Adjusted	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WEST VIRGINIA Not Seasonally Adjusted	790,700	796,100	796,300	730,900	738,500	745,000	59,800	57,600	51,300	7.6	7.2	6.4
WEST VIRGINIA Seasonally Adjusted	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
BECKLEY Raleigh and Fayette	47,900	48,000	48,200	43,900	44,100	44,600	4,000	3,900	3,600	8.4	8.1	7.4
CHARLESTON Boone, Clay and Kanawha	100,100	101,200	101,600	93,000	94,400	95,400	7,100	6,800	6,300	7.1	6.8	6.2
HUNTINGTON - ASHLAND Cabell, Lincoln, Putnam and Wayne Counties, WV; Boyd and Greenup Counties, KY; and Lawrence County, OH	148,400	149,500	150,800	138,200	139,700	140,700	10,200	9,800	10,100	6.9	6.6	6.7
MORGANTOWN Monongalia and Preston	63,300	63,400	64,000	59,400	59,500	60,800	3,900	3,900	3,100	6.1	6.1	4.9
PARKERSBURG Wirt and Wood	40,300	40,500	40,700	37,400	37,800	38,200	2,900	2,800	2,500	7.2	6.8	6.1
WHEELING Ohio and Marshall Counties, WV, and Belmont County, OH	67,900	68,400	67,600	63,100	63,600	63,200	4,900	4,800	4,400	7.2	7.0	6.5
BLUEFIELD Mercer County, WV, and Tazewell County, VA	38,900	39,600	39,500	35,600	36,400	36,400	3,200	3,200	3,200	8.3	8.0	8.0
CLARKSBURG Doddridge, Harrison and Taylor Counties	43,400	43,600	44,000	40,200	40,700	41,700	3,200	3,000	2,200	7.3	6.8	5.1
ELKINS Randolph County	12,100	12,100	12,000	11,200	11,300	11,300	900	800	800	7.6	7.0	6.5
FAIRMONT Marion County	26,500	26,700	26,500	24,300	24,500	24,900	2,200	2,200	1,600	8.3	8.3	6.0
LOGAN Logan County	11,800	12,000	12,000	10,300	10,600	10,700	1,500	1,400	1,300	12.6	11.8	10.6

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