

Labor Market Information by West Virginia County March 2012

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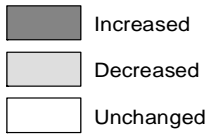
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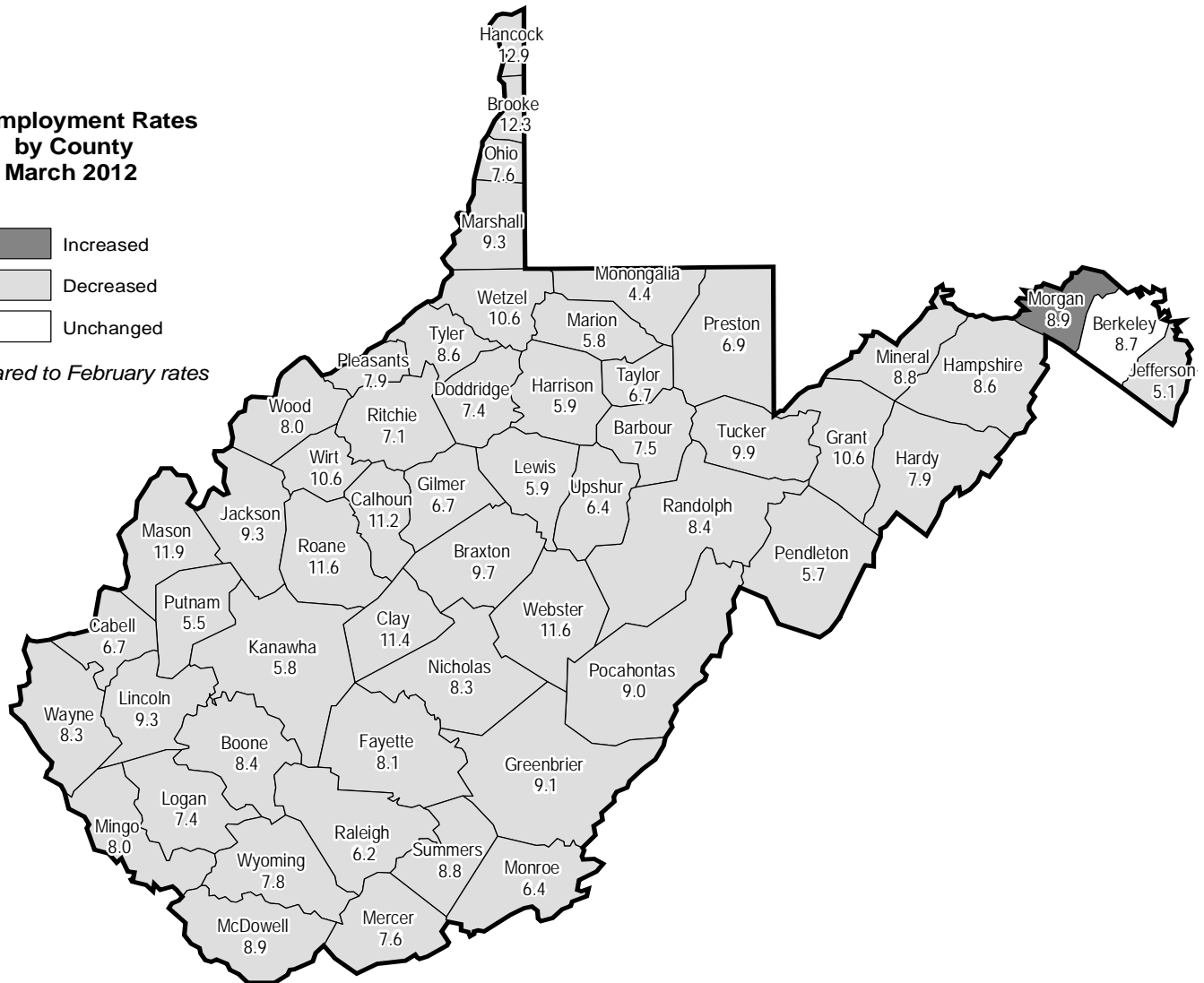
Note: Unemployment information for West Virginia is prepared through the Local Area Unemployment Statistics program, a national federal/state cooperative program of the Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor. Unemployment information for West Virginia has been approved by the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

COUNTY EMPHASIS

**Unemployment Rates
by County
March 2012**



compared to February rates



The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate in West Virginia declined three-tenths of a percentage point in March 2012 to 6.9 percent. Unemployment rates declined in 53 counties as well. The unemployment rate was unchanged in Berkeley County (8.7). Only Morgan County (8.9) reported a rising unemployment rate, a slight increase of one-tenth of a percentage point. Counties reporting unemployment rates below six percent included Harrison (5.9), Lewis (5.9), Kanawha (5.8), Marion (5.8), Pendleton (5.7), Putnam (5.5), Jefferson (5.1), and Monongalia (4.4). Counties reporting unemployment rates greater than 12 percent included Brooke (12.3) and Hancock (12.9).

WEST VIRGINIA COUNTY DATA

	Civilian Labor Force			Total Employment			Total Unemployment			Unemployment Rate		
	Mar 2012	Feb 2012	Mar 2011	Mar 2012	Feb 2012	Mar 2011	Mar 2012	Feb 2012	Mar 2011	Mar 2012	Feb 2012	Mar 2011
Barbour	6,740	6,830	6,920	6,240	6,210	6,220	510	620	700	7.5	9.0	10.2
Berkeley	45,550	45,400	45,380	41,590	41,440	41,400	3,960	3,960	3,980	8.7	8.7	8.8
Boone	9,000	9,030	8,830	8,250	8,230	8,170	760	800	650	8.4	8.9	7.4
Braxton	5,530	5,650	5,740	4,990	5,000	5,060	540	650	680	9.7	11.5	11.8
Brooke	10,450	10,540	10,470	9,170	9,200	9,070	1,280	1,350	1,400	12.3	12.8	13.3
Cabell	43,230	43,400	43,060	40,330	40,290	39,840	2,900	3,120	3,220	6.7	7.2	7.5
Calhoun	2,790	2,820	2,820	2,470	2,450	2,330	310	370	490	11.2	13.2	17.4
Clay	3,190	3,210	3,250	2,830	2,820	2,800	370	390	450	11.4	12.1	13.8
Doddridge	3,210	3,250	3,150	2,970	2,970	2,860	240	280	290	7.4	8.6	9.3
Fayette	17,530	17,600	17,450	16,120	16,010	15,760	1,420	1,590	1,690	8.1	9.0	9.7
Gilmer	3,300	3,320	3,260	3,080	3,080	2,990	220	240	270	6.7	7.3	8.2
Grant	5,060	5,020	4,940	4,530	4,410	4,370	530	620	570	10.6	12.3	11.5
Greenbrier	14,440	14,380	14,820	13,130	12,970	13,320	1,310	1,410	1,500	9.1	9.8	10.1
Hampshire	9,540	9,630	9,500	8,720	8,760	8,550	820	870	950	8.6	9.0	9.9
Hancock	13,870	14,070	13,750	12,080	12,120	11,960	1,790	1,950	1,790	12.9	13.9	13.0
Hardy	6,400	6,460	6,520	5,890	5,900	5,880	510	560	640	7.9	8.7	9.8
Harrison	31,010	31,320	30,250	29,180	29,210	28,050	1,830	2,110	2,210	5.9	6.7	7.3
Jackson	10,690	10,880	10,850	9,690	9,740	9,510	990	1,140	1,350	9.3	10.5	12.4
Jefferson	25,280	24,660	24,210	24,000	23,190	22,710	1,290	1,470	1,510	5.1	5.9	6.2
Kanawha	88,710	89,220	89,400	83,540	83,320	82,800	5,170	5,890	6,590	5.8	6.6	7.4
Lewis	8,040	8,160	7,750	7,560	7,610	7,170	480	540	580	5.9	6.6	7.5
Lincoln	7,620	7,680	7,730	6,910	6,890	6,850	710	780	870	9.3	10.2	11.3
Logan	13,190	13,300	13,110	12,210	12,220	12,020	980	1,080	1,090	7.4	8.1	8.3
McDowell	7,720	7,770	7,430	7,030	7,040	6,670	690	730	760	8.9	9.4	10.2
Marion	26,060	26,390	25,980	24,540	24,660	24,150	1,520	1,730	1,830	5.8	6.5	7.0
Marshall	14,320	14,340	14,310	12,990	12,870	12,770	1,330	1,470	1,550	9.3	10.2	10.8
Mason	9,830	9,880	10,000	8,650	8,610	8,790	1,170	1,270	1,210	11.9	12.9	12.1
Mercer	24,230	24,160	24,070	22,380	22,180	22,040	1,850	1,980	2,030	7.6	8.2	8.4
Mineral	14,230	14,370	13,420	12,970	13,070	12,370	1,260	1,300	1,060	8.8	9.0	7.9
Mingo	8,840	8,900	8,740	8,130	8,130	7,970	710	760	770	8.0	8.6	8.9
Monongalia	50,050	50,070	48,970	47,840	47,470	46,480	2,210	2,590	2,490	4.4	5.2	5.1
Monroe	5,670	5,690	5,570	5,310	5,290	5,120	360	410	450	6.4	7.2	8.1
Morgan	7,180	7,150	7,160	6,540	6,520	6,510	640	630	650	8.9	8.8	9.1
Nicholas	10,540	10,670	10,500	9,670	9,690	9,500	880	980	1,000	8.3	9.2	9.5
Ohio	20,210	20,200	20,190	18,670	18,510	18,360	1,540	1,690	1,830	7.6	8.4	9.1
Pendleton	3,460	3,450	3,430	3,260	3,210	3,170	200	240	260	5.7	7.0	7.5
Pleasants	3,070	3,160	3,130	2,830	2,830	2,810	240	330	330	7.9	10.4	10.4
Pocahontas	3,540	3,470	3,630	3,220	3,120	3,220	320	350	410	9.0	10.1	11.2
Preston	16,040	16,030	15,780	14,930	14,810	14,500	1,110	1,220	1,280	6.9	7.6	8.1
Putnam	26,450	26,660	26,810	24,990	24,930	24,770	1,460	1,730	2,030	5.5	6.5	7.6
Raleigh	32,450	33,130	32,470	30,430	30,830	30,040	2,030	2,300	2,430	6.2	6.9	7.5
Randolph	12,100	12,230	11,950	11,080	11,020	10,740	1,020	1,210	1,210	8.4	9.9	10.1
Ritchie	4,460	4,510	4,230	4,140	4,110	3,750	320	400	490	7.1	8.8	11.5
Roane	5,310	5,430	5,560	4,690	4,730	4,710	620	700	840	11.6	12.9	15.2
Summers	4,500	4,530	4,430	4,100	4,080	3,960	400	450	470	8.8	10.0	10.7
Taylor	7,270	7,370	7,140	6,780	6,790	6,520	490	580	620	6.7	7.8	8.7
Tucker	2,700	2,920	2,770	2,440	2,630	2,450	270	300	320	9.9	10.2	11.5
Tyler	3,490	3,630	3,590	3,190	3,230	3,190	300	400	400	8.6	10.9	11.2
Upshur	10,680	10,720	10,580	9,990	9,920	9,610	680	790	970	6.4	7.4	9.2
Wayne	17,160	17,230	17,060	15,740	15,720	15,550	1,420	1,510	1,510	8.3	8.8	8.8
Webster	3,040	3,040	2,990	2,690	2,670	2,670	350	370	320	11.6	12.3	10.7
Wetzel	6,140	6,300	6,290	5,480	5,500	5,490	650	790	800	10.6	12.6	12.7
Wirt	2,310	2,370	2,350	2,070	2,070	2,050	250	310	300	10.6	12.9	12.9
Wood	38,610	38,970	38,890	35,510	35,530	35,200	3,100	3,440	3,680	8.0	8.8	9.5
Wyoming	8,120	8,180	7,980	7,480	7,510	7,250	640	670	730	7.8	8.2	9.2
Statewide	794,100	798,700	790,500	735,200	733,300	722,000	58,900	65,400	68,500	7.4	8.2	8.7

Labor Force Statistics by County

Labor Force Data Not Seasonally Adjusted

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WEST VIRGINIA COUNTY DATA

	Total Nonfarm Payroll			Goods Producing			Service Providing			
	Mar 2012	Feb 2012	Mar 2011	Mar 2012	Feb 2012	Mar 2011	Mar 2012	Feb 2012	Mar 2011	
Barbour	4,010	3,980	4,050	580	580	600	3,430	3,400	3,450	
Berkeley	27,760	27,870	28,990	1,990	1,960	2,150	25,770	25,910	26,840	
Boone	8,780	8,850	9,070	**	**	**	**	**	**	
Braxton	4,100	4,080	4,190	430	430	550	3,670	3,660	3,650	
Brooke	8,530	8,400	8,270	2,350	2,350	2,270	6,180	6,060	5,990	
Cabell	54,440	54,330	53,710	6,780	6,860	6,590	47,660	47,470	47,120	
Calhoun	1,620	1,590	1,490	**	**	**	**	**	**	
Clay	2,020	2,020	2,020	**	**	**	**	**	**	
Doddridge	1,280	1,270	1,290	**	**	**	**	**	**	
Fayette	13,170	12,910	12,810	1,540	1,480	1,690	11,620	11,430	11,110	
Gilmer	2,600	2,600	2,520	**	**	**	**	**	**	
Grant	4,100	3,950	3,930	970	800	930	3,130	3,140	3,000	
Greenbrier	13,580	13,380	13,890	1,140	1,150	1,240	12,440	12,230	12,650	
Hampshire	4,360	4,370	4,110	**	**	**	**	**	**	
Hancock	11,540	11,700	11,560	**	**	**	**	**	**	
Hardy	5,950	5,980	6,000	**	**	**	**	**	**	
Harrison	36,660	36,450	35,110	4,900	4,660	4,080	31,760	31,790	31,020	
Jackson	7,850	7,880	7,670	1,480	1,570	1,560	6,370	6,310	6,120	
Jefferson	16,550	15,510	15,130	1,390	1,420	1,230	15,160	14,090	13,900	
Kanawha	113,140	112,020	112,350	9,900	9,610	10,120	103,240	102,410	102,230	
Lewis	7,380	7,430	6,970	1,950	1,930	1,520	5,420	5,510	5,450	
Lincoln	3,710	3,720	3,640	**	**	**	**	**	**	
Logan	12,580	12,530	12,400	2,970	2,970	2,990	9,610	9,560	9,420	
McDowell	7,340	7,300	6,920	**	**	**	**	**	**	
Marion	22,090	22,170	22,000	3,710	3,760	3,730	18,390	18,420	18,270	
Marshall	11,900	11,640	11,670	3,220	3,110	3,150	8,690	8,530	8,520	
Mason	6,790	6,800	6,770	**	**	**	**	**	**	
Mercer	23,850	23,390	23,360	2,150	2,160	2,240	21,710	21,240	21,120	
Mineral	8,370	8,300	8,360	**	**	**	**	**	**	
Mingo	9,220	9,190	9,030	**	**	**	**	**	**	
Monongalia	59,380	58,450	58,040	6,940	6,750	6,390	52,440	51,700	51,650	
Monroe	2,470	2,460	2,360	**	**	**	**	**	**	
Morgan	2,950	2,930	3,000	**	**	**	**	**	**	
Nicholas	9,340	9,360	9,200	2,060	2,180	2,240	7,280	7,170	6,960	
Ohio	31,280	31,210	30,390	2,330	2,330	2,210	28,960	28,880	28,180	
Pendleton	1,830	1,820	1,780	**	**	**	**	**	**	
Pleasants	3,140	3,140	2,950	**	**	**	**	**	**	
Pocahontas	3,570	3,470	3,580	**	**	**	**	**	**	
Preston	7,580	7,480	7,150	1,520	1,440	1,230	6,050	6,040	5,920	
Putnam	19,940	19,780	19,540	4,230	4,200	4,030	15,710	15,580	15,500	
Raleigh	34,030	34,380	33,700	4,980	4,940	4,460	29,050	29,440	29,240	
Randolph	12,090	11,970	11,720	1,850	1,860	1,830	10,230	10,110	9,890	
Ritchie	3,600	3,540	3,130	**	**	**	**	**	**	
Roane	3,350	3,380	3,390	630	650	580	2,720	2,730	2,810	
Summers	2,600	2,580	2,460	120	120	90	2,480	2,450	2,370	
Taylor	3,140	3,170	3,070	250	250	260	2,890	2,920	2,820	
Tucker	2,610	2,850	2,650	**	**	**	**	**	**	
Tyler	2,700	2,750	2,700	**	**	**	**	**	**	
Upshur	9,180	9,080	8,870	**	**	**	**	**	**	
Wayne	10,340	10,110	10,160	1,750	1,730	1,720	8,590	8,380	8,440	
Webster	2,260	2,260	2,270	**	**	**	**	**	**	
Wetzel	5,040	5,060	5,100	**	**	**	**	**	**	
Wirt	880	880	910	**	**	**	**	**	**	
Wood	40,130	39,880	39,630	5,120	4,930	4,710	35,010	34,950	34,920	
Wyoming	5,810	5,810	5,620	**	**	**	**	**	**	
Statewide	754,800	748,800	744,600	112,700	110,900	110,600	642,100	637,900	634,000	

**Nonfarm
Payroll
Employment
by County**

** Due to confidentiality constraints, data are not publishable

Benchmark 2011

	Civilian Labor Force			Total Employment			Total Unemployment			Unemployment Rate		
	Mar 2012	Feb 2012	Mar 2011	Mar 2012	Feb 2012	Mar 2011	Mar 2012	Feb 2012	Mar 2011	Mar 2012	Feb 2012	Mar 2011
UNITED STATES In Thousands,												
Not Seasonally Adjusted	154,316	154,114	153,022	141,412	140,684	138,962	12,904	13,430	14,060	8.4	8.7	9.2
Seasonally Adjusted	154,707	154,871	153,392	142,034	142,065	139,764	12,673	12,806	13,628	8.2	8.3	8.9
WEST VIRGINIA												
Not Seasonally Adjusted	794,100	798,700	790,500	735,200	733,300	722,000	58,900	65,400	68,500	7.4	8.2	8.7
Seasonally Adjusted	804,100	803,700	800,400	748,700	746,200	736,800	55,400	57,500	63,600	6.9	7.2	7.9
CHARLESTON MSA												
Boone, Clay, Kanawha, Lincoln and Putnam Counties, WV	135,000	135,800	136,000	126,500	126,200	125,400	8,500	9,600	10,600	6.3	7.1	7.8
HUNTINGTON - ASHLAND MSA												
Cabell and Wayne Counties, WV; Boyd and Greenup Counties, KY; and Lawrence County, OH	127,900	128,400	128,300	118,300	118,000	117,500	9,500	10,400	10,800	7.5	8.1	8.4
MORGANTOWN MSA												
Monongalia and Preston Counties, WV	66,100	66,100	64,700	62,800	62,300	61,000	3,300	3,800	3,800	5.0	5.8	5.8
PARKERSBURG - MARIETTA MSA												
Pleasants, Wirt and Wood Counties, WV; Washington County, OH	75,600	76,300	76,200	69,700	69,600	69,200	5,900	6,700	7,000	7.8	8.8	9.2
WHEELING MSA												
Ohio and Marshall Counties, WV; Belmont County, OH	67,800	67,700	68,000	62,400	61,700	61,500	5,400	6,000	6,500	8.0	8.8	9.6
BECKLEY - OAK HILL CSA	49,980	50,730	49,920	46,540	46,840	45,800	3,440	3,890	4,120	6.9	7.7	8.3
Beckley MCSA												
Raleigh County, WV	32,450	33,130	32,470	30,430	30,830	30,040	2,030	2,300	2,430	6.2	6.9	7.5
Oak Hill MCSA												
Fayette County, WV	17,530	17,600	17,450	16,120	16,010	15,760	1,420	1,590	1,690	8.1	9.0	9.7
BLUEFIELD MCSA												
Mercer County, WV, and Tazewell County, VA	45,780	45,550	45,360	42,780	42,330	42,060	3,000	3,220	3,300	6.5	7.1	7.3
FAIRMONT - CLARKSBURG CSA	67,550	68,320	66,520	63,470	63,630	61,570	4,070	4,690	4,950	6.0	6.9	7.4
Fairmont MCSA												
Marion County, WV	26,060	26,390	25,980	24,540	24,660	24,150	1,520	1,730	1,830	5.8	6.5	7.0
Clarksburg MCSA												
Doddridge, Harrison and Taylor Counties, WV	41,490	41,940	40,540	38,940	38,970	37,420	2,550	2,960	3,120	6.2	7.1	7.7
Harrison County	31,010	31,320	30,250	29,180	29,210	28,050	1,830	2,110	2,210	5.9	6.7	7.3
Doddridge-Taylor Counties, WV	10,480	10,620	10,290	9,760	9,760	9,380	720	860	920	6.9	8.1	8.9
POINT PLEASANT MCSA												
Mason County, WV, and Gallia County, OH	22,890	22,990	23,590	20,500	20,340	20,880	2,390	2,640	2,720	10.4	11.5	11.5

Note: The areas listed above are the names of the labor market areas composed of the indicated counties. Data are for the labor market areas, not the cities proper. Labor market areas have been redefined in accordance with the 2000 Census data. March 2011 benchmark.

MSA Metropolitan Statistical Area
 CSA Combined Micropolitan Statistical Area
 MCSA Micropolitan Statistical Area