

## ALABAMA WORKFORCE INVESTMENT SYSTEM

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**SUBJECT:** Alabama County Unemployment Statistics

1. **Purpose.** This transmits civilian labor force unemployment statistics for Alabama counties.
2. **Discussion.** Civilian labor force unemployment data for each Alabama county and the state overall is regularly compiled by the Department of Industrial Relations' Labor Market Information Division. Office of Workforce Development staff use this information when calculating WIA fund allocations and in various meetings and presentations.
3. **Action.** The December 2004 (revised) and January 2005 (preliminary) Alabama county unemployment statistics are being furnished for general planning and informational purposes.

Interested persons may access past years' monthly unemployment data through [www.dir.state.al.us](http://www.dir.state.al.us).

4. **Contact.** Any questions should be referred to Charles Terry, State Planning Section, at (334) 242-5883.



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Attachment

## JANUARY 2005 PRELIMINARY UNEMPLOYMENT DATA

Area	Civilian Labor Force			Employment			Unemployment			Unemployment Rate		
	Prel Jan 2005	Rev Dec 2004	Rev Jan 2004	Prel Jan 2005	Rev Dec 2004	Rev Jan 2004	Prel Jan 2005	Rev Dec 2004	Rev Jan 2004	Prel Jan 2005	Rev Dec 2004	Rev Jan 2004
Alabama**	2,161,669	2,156,180	2,141,133	2,047,890	2,041,259	2,018,591	113,779	114,921	122,542	5.3%	5.3%	5.7%
Autauga	22,892	23,069	22,806	21,821	22,094	21,736	1,071	975	1,070	4.7%	4.2%	4.7%
Baldwin	74,567	75,228	72,239	70,654	71,364	68,644	3,913	3,864	3,595	5.2%	5.1%	5.0%
Barbour	11,819	11,855	11,918	11,038	11,077	11,158	781	778	760	6.6%	6.6%	6.4%
Bibb	8,877	8,979	8,848	8,384	8,528	8,378	493	451	470	5.6%	5.0%	5.3%
Blount	26,067	26,363	25,932	24,892	25,321	24,877	1,175	1,042	1,055	4.5%	4.0%	4.1%
Bullock	3,870	3,889	3,822	3,422	3,403	3,346	448	486	476	11.6%	12.5%	12.5%
Butler	9,133	9,146	8,986	8,398	8,443	8,102	735	703	884	8.0%	7.7%	9.8%
Calhoun	54,248	54,762	53,531	51,249	51,867	50,547	2,999	2,895	2,984	5.5%	5.3%	5.6%
Chambers	16,778	16,910	16,686	15,624	15,816	15,515	1,154	1,094	1,171	6.9%	6.5%	7.0%
Cherokee	11,918	11,971	11,814	11,293	11,409	11,226	625	562	588	5.2%	4.7%	5.0%
Chilton	19,616	19,801	19,495	18,606	18,926	18,594	1,010	875	901	5.1%	4.4%	4.6%
Choctaw	5,511	5,473	5,530	5,049	5,058	4,989	462	415	541	8.4%	7.6%	9.8%
Clarke	10,351	10,389	10,507	9,523	9,591	9,471	828	798	1,036	8.0%	7.7%	9.9%
Clay	5,934	5,913	5,826	5,558	5,552	5,433	376	361	393	6.3%	6.1%	6.7%
Cleburne	6,454	6,480	6,477	6,139	6,176	6,099	315	304	378	4.9%	4.7%	5.8%
Coffee	20,072	20,176	19,965	19,095	19,251	18,820	977	925	1,145	4.9%	4.6%	5.7%
Colbert	25,191	25,346	24,859	23,424	23,652	22,877	1,767	1,694	1,982	7.0%	6.7%	8.0%
Conecuh	4,936	4,893	5,060	4,528	4,540	4,558	408	353	502	8.3%	7.2%	9.9%
Coosa	5,062	5,099	4,913	4,732	4,760	4,515	330	339	398	6.5%	6.6%	8.1%
Covington	17,161	17,124	17,379	16,105	16,144	15,968	1,056	980	1,411	6.2%	5.7%	8.1%
Crenshaw	5,686	5,655	5,639	5,251	5,260	5,193	435	395	446	7.7%	7.0%	7.9%
Cullman	38,712	38,819	38,015	36,793	36,945	35,850	1,919	1,874	2,165	5.0%	4.8%	5.7%
Dale	20,803	20,897	20,529	19,666	19,827	19,383	1,137	1,070	1,146	5.5%	5.1%	5.6%
Dallas	16,019	16,093	16,390	14,447	14,583	14,650	1,572	1,510	1,740	9.8%	9.4%	10.6%
DeKalb	32,305	32,280	31,574	30,290	30,503	29,531	2,015	1,777	2,043	6.2%	5.5%	6.5%
Elmore	32,920	33,225	32,836	31,398	31,791	31,276	1,522	1,434	1,560	4.6%	4.3%	4.8%
Escambia	14,457	14,383	14,371	13,447	13,424	13,190	1,010	959	1,181	7.0%	6.7%	8.2%
Etowah	46,578	47,420	46,845	43,717	44,560	43,774	2,861	2,860	3,071	6.1%	6.0%	6.6%
Fayette	7,968	7,991	7,902	7,492	7,555	7,306	476	436	596	6.0%	5.5%	7.5%
Franklin	13,497	13,426	13,290	12,571	12,515	12,160	926	911	1,130	6.9%	6.8%	8.5%
Geneva	11,706	11,928	11,695	11,124	11,342	11,047	582	586	648	5.0%	4.9%	5.5%
Greene	3,626	3,688	3,523	3,298	3,362	3,225	328	326	298	9.0%	8.8%	8.5%
Hale	7,144	7,284	7,030	6,649	6,776	6,502	495	508	528	6.9%	7.0%	7.5%
Henry	7,541	7,646	7,512	7,107	7,247	7,058	434	399	454	5.8%	5.2%	6.0%
Houston	45,397	46,036	45,033	43,216	44,065	42,917	2,181	1,971	2,116	4.8%	4.3%	4.7%
Jackson	27,395	27,637	27,088	25,578	25,839	25,103	1,817	1,798	1,985	6.6%	6.5%	7.3%
Jefferson	322,415	326,778	322,623	305,257	310,514	305,072	17,158	16,264	17,551	5.3%	5.0%	5.4%
Lamar	6,177	6,205	6,348	5,704	5,753	5,749	473	452	599	7.7%	7.3%	9.4%
Lauderdale	41,908	42,218	41,183	39,356	39,739	38,437	2,552	2,479	2,746	6.1%	5.9%	6.7%
Lawrence	16,104	16,087	16,224	14,993	15,172	15,030	1,111	915	1,194	6.9%	5.7%	7.4%
Lee	62,709	63,724	61,968	59,906	61,251	59,249	2,803	2,473	2,719	4.5%	3.9%	4.4%
Limestone	34,822	35,057	34,540	32,987	33,478	32,615	1,835	1,579	1,925	5.3%	4.5%	5.6%
Lowndes	5,113	5,064	5,077	4,613	4,671	4,595	500	393	482	9.8%	7.8%	9.5%
Macon	8,574	8,675	8,524	7,949	8,139	7,929	625	536	595	7.3%	6.2%	7.0%
Madison	157,646	159,644	156,982	150,918	153,164	149,213	6,728	6,480	7,769	4.3%	4.1%	4.9%
Marengo	8,664	8,803	8,885	8,056	8,259	8,310	608	544	575	7.0%	6.2%	6.5%
Marion	13,870	13,874	13,129	13,062	13,105	12,039	808	769	1,090	5.8%	5.5%	8.3%
Marshall	41,778	41,864	41,035	39,804	40,060	38,811	1,974	1,804	2,224	4.7%	4.3%	5.4%
Mobile	182,579	184,354	179,574	171,569	173,841	167,055	11,010	10,513	12,519	6.0%	5.7%	7.0%
Monroe	9,698	9,718	9,872	8,930	9,033	8,964	768	685	908	7.9%	7.0%	9.2%
Montgomery	105,621	106,661	105,458	99,540	100,786	99,153	6,081	5,875	6,305	5.8%	5.5%	6.0%
Morgan	55,484	55,984	56,272	52,350	52,975	52,479	3,134	3,009	3,793	5.6%	5.4%	6.7%
Perry	3,605	3,581	3,664	3,209	3,228	3,286	396	353	378	11.0%	9.9%	10.3%
Pickens	8,017	8,069	7,883	7,460	7,524	7,240	557	545	643	6.9%	6.8%	8.2%
Pike	14,837	15,079	14,607	14,065	14,357	13,767	772	722	840	5.2%	4.8%	5.8%
Randolph	10,136	10,118	10,013	9,507	9,521	9,279	629	597	734	6.2%	5.9%	7.3%
Russell	20,627	20,998	21,196	19,422	19,817	19,568	1,205	1,181	1,628	5.8%	5.6%	7.7%
Shelby	88,848	89,851	88,540	85,792	87,269	85,740	3,056	2,582	2,800	3.4%	2.9%	3.2%
St. Clair	32,559	32,971	32,551	30,922	31,454	30,903	1,637	1,517	1,648	5.0%	4.6%	5.1%
Sumter	4,922	4,940	4,943	4,509	4,525	4,455	413	415	488	8.4%	8.4%	9.9%
Talladega	39,919	39,974	38,711	37,478	37,662	35,870	2,441	2,312	2,841	6.1%	5.8%	7.3%
Tallahassee	18,694	18,758	18,176	17,569	17,671	16,763	1,125	1,087	1,413	6.0%	5.8%	7.8%
Tuscaloosa	84,113	85,275	82,303	80,275	81,812	78,495	3,838	3,463	3,808	4.6%	4.1%	4.6%
Walker	30,354	30,890	30,584	28,628	29,121	28,611	1,726	1,769	1,973	5.7%	5.7%	6.5%
Washington	6,789	6,738	6,888	6,213	6,189	6,129	576	549	759	8.5%	8.1%	11.0%
Wilcox	3,843	3,863	3,766	3,413	3,415	3,267	430	448	499	11.2%	11.6%	13.3%
Winston	10,327	10,325	10,283	9,649	9,635	9,448	678	690	835	6.6%	6.7%	8.1%
United States**	147,979,000	148,203,000	146,785,000	140,241,000	140,156,000	138,481,000	7,737,000	8,047,000	8,303,000	5.2%	5.4%	5.7%

Estimates prepared by the Alabama Department of Industrial Relations in Cooperation with the Bureau of Labor Statistics, based on 2004 benchmark.

\*\*State and National data are seasonally adjusted.

## METROPOLITAN AREAS JANUARY 2005 PRELIMINARY UNEMPLOYMENT DATA

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Anniston-Oxford MA	54,248	54,762	53,531	51,249	51,867	50,547	2,999	2,895	2,984	5.5%	5.3%	5.6%
Auburn-Opelika MA	62,709	63,724	61,968	59,906	61,251	59,249	2,803	2,473	2,719	4.5%	3.9%	4.4%
Birmingham-Hoover MA	528,735	535,634	528,574	502,480	511,133	502,176	26,255	24,501	26,398	5.0%	4.6%	5.0%
Decatur MA	71,588	72,071	72,496	67,343	68,147	67,509	4,245	3,924	4,987	5.9%	5.4%	6.9%
Dothan MA	64,644	65,610	64,240	61,447	62,654	61,022	3,197	2,956	3,218	4.9%	4.5%	5.0%
Florence-Muscle Shoals MA	67,099	67,564	66,042	62,780	63,391	61,314	4,319	4,173	4,728	6.4%	6.2%	7.2%
Gadsden MA	46,578	47,420	46,845	43,717	44,560	43,774	2,861	2,860	3,071	6.1%	6.0%	6.6%
Huntsville MA	192,468	194,701	191,522	183,905	186,642	181,828	8,563	8,059	9,694	4.4%	4.1%	5.1%
Mobile MA	182,579	184,354	179,574	171,569	173,841	167,055	11,010	10,513	12,519	6.0%	5.7%	7.0%
Montgomery MA	166,545	168,020	166,179	157,372	159,342	156,761	9,173	8,678	9,418	5.5%	5.2%	5.7%
Tuscaloosa MA	94,884	96,247	92,857	90,223	91,950	88,222	4,661	4,297	4,635	4.9%	4.5%	5.0%

Estimates prepared by the Alabama Department of Industrial Relations in Cooperation with the Bureau of Labor Statistics, based on 2004 benchmark.

### COUNTIES IN METROPOLITAN AREAS

Anniston MA  
Calhoun

Auburn-Opelika MA  
Lee

Birmingham MA  
Bibb  
Blount  
Chilton  
Jefferson  
St. Clair  
Shelby  
Walker

Decatur MA  
Lawrence  
Morgan

Dothan MA  
Geneva  
Henry  
Houston

Florence MA  
Colbert  
Lauderdale

Gadsden MA  
Etowah

Huntsville MA  
Limestone  
Madison

Mobile MA  
Mobile

Montgomery MA  
Autauga  
Elmore  
Lowndes  
Montgomery

Tuscaloosa MA  
Greene  
Hale  
Tuscaloosa