

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 March 2005 (revised) and April 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.
4. **Contact.** Any questions should be referred to Charles Terry, State Planning Section, at (334) 242-5883.



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Attachment

APRIL 2005 PRELIMINARY UNEMPLOYMENT DATA

Area	Civilian Labor Force			Employment			Unemployment			Unemployment Rate		
	Prei Apr 2005	Rev Mar 2005	Rev Apr 2004	Prei Apr 2005	Rev Mar 2005	Rev Apr 2004	Prei Apr 2005	Rev Mar 2005	Rev Apr 2004	Prei Apr 2005	Rev Mar 2005	Rev Apr 2004
Alabama**	2,143,582	2,153,150	2,144,932	2,049,034	2,051,334	2,023,856	94,548	101,816	121,076	4.4%	4.7%	5.6%
Autauga	22,831	22,964	22,842	22,111	22,073	21,915	720	891	927	3.2%	3.9%	4.1%
Baldwin	74,499	74,599	74,615	72,101	71,562	71,700	2,398	3,037	2,915	3.2%	4.1%	3.9%
Barbour	11,567	11,672	11,652	11,057	11,030	10,875	510	642	777	4.4%	5.5%	6.7%
Bibb	8,738	8,782	8,832	8,404	8,391	8,398	334	391	434	3.8%	4.5%	4.9%
Blount	25,771	25,920	25,891	24,954	24,916	24,936	817	1,004	955	3.2%	3.9%	3.7%
Bullock	3,720	3,795	3,713	3,465	3,475	3,371	255	320	342	6.9%	8.4%	9.2%
Butler	8,980	9,165	8,939	8,457	8,558	8,108	523	607	831	5.8%	6.6%	9.3%
Calhoun	53,520	53,955	54,035	51,418	51,414	51,523	2,102	2,541	2,512	3.9%	4.7%	4.6%
Chambers	16,408	16,568	16,662	15,593	15,627	15,621	815	941	1,041	5.0%	5.7%	6.2%
Cherokee	12,132	12,119	11,988	11,696	11,568	11,493	436	551	495	3.6%	4.5%	4.1%
Chilton	19,274	19,444	19,417	18,652	18,623	18,638	622	821	779	3.2%	4.2%	4.0%
Choctaw	5,380	5,422	5,514	5,071	5,045	5,084	309	377	430	5.7%	7.0%	7.8%
Clarke	10,231	10,328	10,399	9,680	9,678	9,527	551	650	872	5.4%	6.3%	8.4%
Clay	5,865	5,910	5,884	5,629	5,603	5,574	236	307	310	4.0%	5.2%	5.3%
Cleburne	6,529	6,617	6,486	6,307	6,334	6,172	222	283	314	3.4%	4.3%	4.8%
Coffee	19,846	19,951	20,120	19,201	19,159	19,148	645	792	972	3.3%	4.0%	4.8%
Colbert	24,777	25,023	24,655	23,620	23,537	23,148	1,157	1,486	1,507	4.7%	5.9%	6.1%
Conecuh	4,910	4,934	5,001	4,647	4,620	4,603	263	314	398	5.4%	6.4%	8.0%
Coosa	4,948	5,010	4,953	4,742	4,755	4,657	206	255	296	4.2%	5.1%	6.0%
Covington	16,849	16,902	17,223	16,194	16,088	16,173	655	814	1,050	3.9%	4.8%	6.1%
Crenshaw	5,647	5,709	5,698	5,389	5,386	5,339	258	323	359	4.6%	5.7%	6.3%
Cullman	38,176	38,466	38,512	36,889	36,871	36,696	1,287	1,595	1,816	3.4%	4.1%	4.7%
Dale	20,534	20,697	20,717	19,776	19,733	19,720	758	964	997	3.7%	4.7%	4.8%
Dallas	15,811	15,961	16,260	14,724	14,648	14,844	1,087	1,313	1,416	6.9%	8.2%	8.7%
DeKalb	31,732	32,006	32,056	30,276	30,130	30,371	1,456	1,876	1,685	4.6%	5.9%	5.3%
Elmore	32,843	33,037	32,950	31,816	31,760	31,533	1,027	1,277	1,417	3.1%	3.9%	4.3%
Escambia	14,257	14,352	14,406	13,589	13,543	13,445	668	809	961	4.7%	5.6%	6.7%
Etowah	46,400	46,513	47,024	44,501	44,127	44,323	1,899	2,386	2,701	4.1%	5.1%	5.7%
Fayette	7,856	7,906	7,870	7,550	7,533	7,364	306	373	506	3.9%	4.7%	6.4%
Franklin	13,541	13,646	13,041	12,909	12,872	12,189	632	774	852	4.7%	5.7%	6.5%
Geneva	11,822	11,854	11,632	11,443	11,376	11,162	379	478	470	3.2%	4.0%	4.0%
Greene	3,626	3,627	3,485	3,408	3,374	3,249	218	253	236	6.0%	7.0%	6.8%
Hale	7,146	7,191	6,970	6,869	6,802	6,549	277	389	421	3.9%	5.4%	6.0%
Henry	7,587	7,601	7,509	7,311	7,268	7,132	276	333	377	3.6%	4.4%	5.0%
Houston	45,929	46,032	45,283	44,456	44,195	43,365	1,473	1,837	1,918	3.2%	4.0%	4.2%
Jackson	27,126	27,188	27,854	25,905	25,697	25,687	1,221	1,491	2,167	4.5%	5.5%	7.8%
Jefferson	318,409	320,173	320,965	306,012	305,543	305,789	12,397	14,630	15,176	3.9%	4.6%	4.7%
Lamar	6,057	6,114	6,360	5,739	5,731	5,852	318	383	508	5.3%	6.3%	8.0%
Lauderdale	41,616	41,890	41,182	39,687	39,545	38,892	1,929	2,345	2,290	4.6%	5.6%	5.6%
Lawrence	15,925	16,243	16,051	15,171	15,175	15,165	754	1,068	886	4.7%	6.6%	5.5%
Lee	63,005	63,462	62,802	61,142	61,163	60,481	1,863	2,299	2,321	3.0%	3.6%	3.7%
Limestone	34,796	35,098	34,397	33,571	33,407	32,844	1,225	1,691	1,553	3.5%	4.8%	4.5%
Lowndes	5,008	5,069	5,062	4,675	4,666	4,633	333	403	429	6.6%	8.0%	8.5%
Macon	8,472	8,553	8,639	8,070	8,062	8,150	402	491	489	4.7%	5.7%	5.7%
Madison	158,370	158,599	156,761	153,588	152,839	150,260	4,782	5,760	6,501	3.0%	3.6%	4.1%
Marengo	8,644	8,665	8,720	8,196	8,140	8,252	448	525	468	5.2%	6.1%	5.4%
Marion	13,646	13,733	13,329	13,092	13,103	12,556	554	630	773	4.1%	4.6%	5.8%
Marshall	41,269	41,324	41,380	39,830	39,585	39,576	1,439	1,739	1,804	3.5%	4.2%	4.4%
Mobile	180,251	181,599	179,530	172,702	172,462	168,872	7,549	9,137	10,658	4.2%	5.0%	5.9%
Monroe	9,522	9,583	9,760	9,009	9,000	9,122	513	583	638	5.4%	6.1%	6.5%
Montgomery	104,986	105,680	105,282	100,863	100,686	99,966	4,123	4,994	5,316	3.9%	4.7%	5.0%
Morgan	55,035	55,732	55,918	52,969	52,985	52,948	2,066	2,747	2,970	3.8%	4.9%	5.3%
Perry	3,566	3,634	3,588	3,294	3,308	3,292	272	326	296	7.6%	9.0%	8.2%
Pickens	7,915	8,150	7,881	7,541	7,695	7,351	374	455	530	4.7%	5.6%	6.7%
Pike	14,865	14,857	15,090	14,379	14,259	14,390	486	598	700	3.3%	4.0%	4.6%
Randolph	10,033	10,209	10,204	9,597	9,704	9,650	436	505	554	4.3%	4.9%	5.4%
Russell	20,449	20,627	20,792	19,523	19,533	19,712	926	1,094	1,080	4.5%	5.3%	5.2%
Shelby	88,260	88,607	88,494	86,004	85,872	85,941	2,256	2,735	2,553	2.6%	3.1%	2.9%
St. Clair	32,068	32,342	32,388	30,998	30,950	30,975	1,070	1,392	1,413	3.3%	4.3%	4.4%
Sumter	4,942	4,968	5,053	4,606	4,610	4,572	336	358	481	6.8%	7.2%	9.5%
Talladega	39,178	39,531	38,573	37,525	37,519	36,171	1,653	2,012	2,402	4.2%	5.1%	6.2%
Tallapoosa	18,307	18,502	18,299	17,607	17,653	17,291	700	849	1,008	3.8%	4.6%	5.5%
Tuscaloosa	85,469	85,283	82,520	82,932	82,115	79,068	2,537	3,168	3,452	3.0%	3.7%	4.2%
Walker	29,840	30,026	30,291	28,699	28,655	28,678	1,141	1,371	1,613	3.8%	4.6%	5.3%
Washington	6,653	6,735	6,816	6,297	6,299	6,217	356	436	599	5.4%	6.5%	8.8%
Wilcox	3,628	3,735	3,673	3,343	3,403	3,269	285	332	404	7.9%	8.9%	11.0%
Winston	10,102	10,220	10,254	9,662	9,660	9,593	440	560	661	4.4%	5.5%	6.4%
United States**	148,762,000	148,157,000	146,788,000	141,099,000	140,501,000	138,645,000	7,663,000	7,656,000	8,143,000	5.2%	5.2%	5.5%

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
APRIL 2005 PRELIMINARY UNEMPLOYMENT DATA**

Area	Civilian Labor Force			Employment			Unemployment			Unemployment Rate		
	Prel Apr 2005	Rev Mar 2005	Rev Apr 2004	Prel Apr 2005	Rev Mar 2005	Rev Apr 2004	Prel Apr 2005	Rev Mar 2005	Rev Apr 2004	Prel Apr 2005	Rev Mar 2005	Rev Apr 2004
Anniston-Oxford MA	53,520	53,955	54,035	51,418	51,414	51,523	2,102	2,541	2,512	3.9%	4.7%	4.6%
Auburn-Opelika MA	63,005	63,462	62,802	61,142	61,163	60,481	1,863	2,299	2,321	3.0%	3.6%	3.7%
Birmingham-Hoover MA	522,359	525,294	526,279	503,722	502,950	503,355	18,637	22,344	22,924	3.6%	4.3%	4.4%
Decatur MA	70,960	71,975	71,969	68,140	68,160	68,113	2,820	3,815	3,856	4.0%	5.3%	5.4%
Dothan MA	65,338	65,487	64,423	63,210	62,839	61,659	2,128	2,648	2,764	3.3%	4.0%	4.3%
Florence-Muscle Shoals MA	66,393	66,913	65,837	63,307	63,082	62,040	3,086	3,831	3,797	4.6%	5.7%	5.8%
Gadsden MA	46,400	46,513	47,024	44,501	44,127	44,323	1,899	2,386	2,701	4.1%	5.1%	5.7%
Huntsville MA	193,166	193,697	191,158	187,159	186,246	183,104	6,007	7,451	8,054	3.1%	3.8%	4.2%
Mobile MA	180,251	181,599	179,530	172,702	172,462	168,872	7,549	9,137	10,658	4.2%	5.0%	5.9%
Montgomery MA	165,668	166,750	166,134	159,465	159,185	158,046	6,203	7,565	8,088	3.7%	4.5%	4.9%
Tuscaloosa MA	96,241	96,101	92,975	93,209	92,291	88,866	3,032	3,810	4,109	3.2%	4.0%	4.4%

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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