

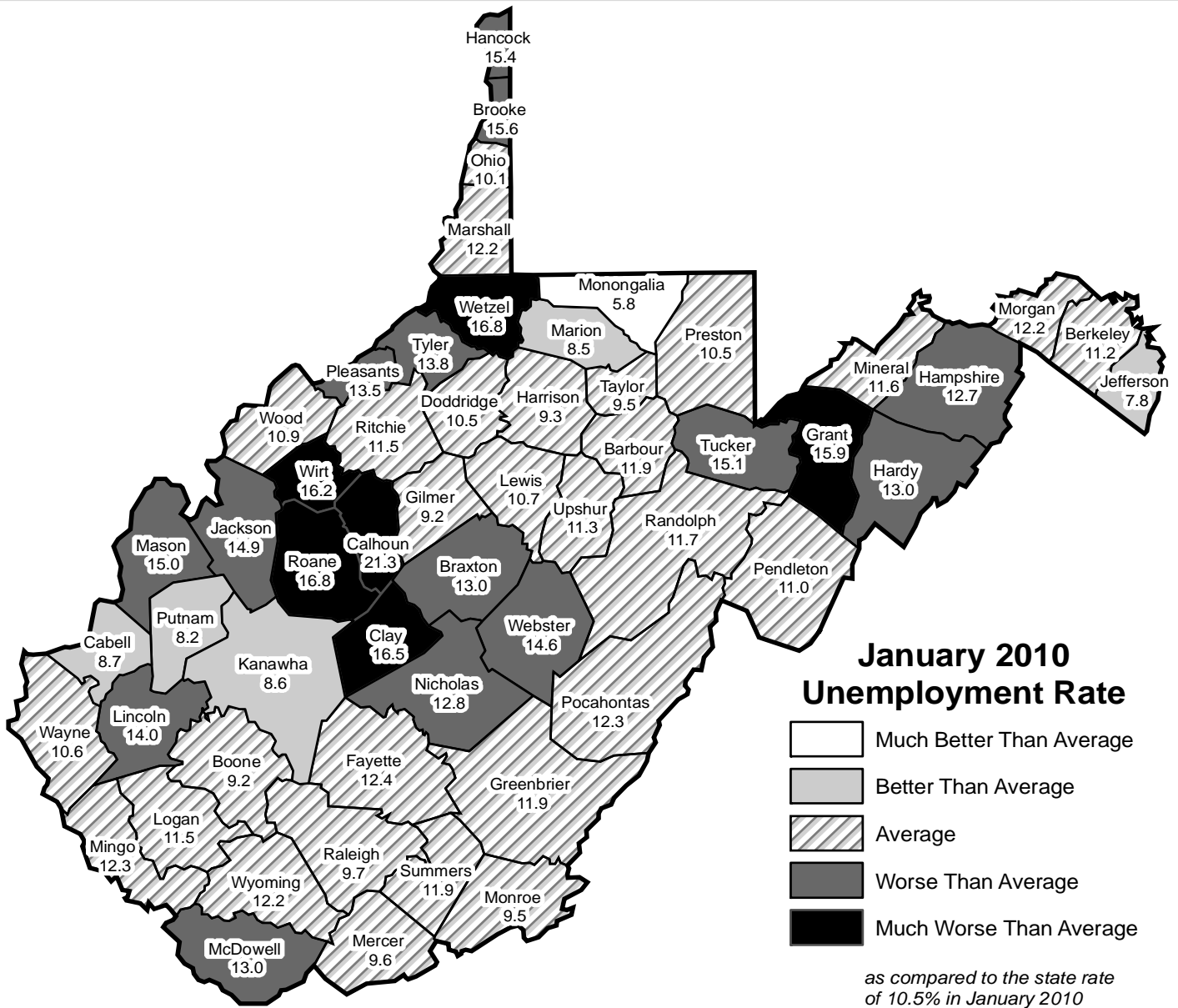
# Labor Market Information by West Virginia County January 2010

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COUNTY EMPHASIS



West Virginia's unemployment rate jumped nearly two percentage points to 10.5 percent in January 2010. All counties reported rising unemployment rates as well. The number of counties recording an unemployment rate considered much worse than average when compared to the state rate declined slightly in January. This group included Grant (15.9), Wirt (16.2), Clay (16.5), Wetzel (16.8), Roane (16.8), and Calhoun (21.3).

The number of counties recording an unemployment rate considered better than average when compared to the state rate was unchanged in January. This group included Cabell (8.7), Kanawha (8.6), Marion (8.5), Putnam (8.2), and Jefferson (7.8). Once again, Monongalia (5.8) was the sole county recording an unemployment rate considered much better than average when compared to the state rate.

# WEST VIRGINIA COUNTY DATA

	Civilian Labor Force			Total Employment			Total Unemployment			Unemployment Rate			
	Jan	Dec	Jan	Jan	Dec	Jan	Jan	Dec	Jan	Jan	Dec	Jan	
	2010	2009	2009	2010	2009	2009	2010	2009	2009	2010	2009	2009	
Barbour	6,630	6,850	6,400	5,840	6,170	5,900	790	680	500	11.9	10.0	7.8	
Berkeley	43,900	43,930	45,440	38,980	39,730	41,700	4,920	4,200	3,750	11.2	9.6	8.2	
Boone	8,910	8,920	9,070	8,100	8,240	8,680	820	680	390	9.2	7.7	4.3	
Braxton	5,920	5,740	5,770	5,160	5,170	5,280	770	570	490	13.0	9.9	8.5	
Brooke	10,490	10,480	10,960	8,850	9,040	9,940	1,640	1,440	1,030	15.6	13.7	9.4	
Cabell	43,050	43,060	44,140	39,330	40,110	41,590	3,730	2,960	2,550	8.7	6.9	5.8	
Calhoun	2,840	2,830	2,730	2,240	2,390	2,370	610	440	360	21.3	15.7	13.1	
Clay	3,520	3,490	3,470	2,940	2,990	3,150	580	510	320	16.5	14.5	9.3	
Doddridge	2,790	2,770	2,740	2,500	2,530	2,550	290	250	190	10.5	8.8	7.0	
Fayette	17,470	17,300	17,190	15,310	15,500	15,990	2,160	1,800	1,200	12.4	10.4	7.0	
Gilmer	3,110	3,120	3,070	2,830	2,880	2,890	290	240	180	9.2	7.6	5.9	
Grant	4,900	4,740	4,910	4,120	4,100	4,410	780	640	500	15.9	13.5	10.2	
Greenbrier	14,530	14,020	14,400	12,800	12,710	12,890	1,730	1,320	1,510	11.9	9.4	10.5	
Hampshire	9,210	9,060	9,200	8,040	8,110	8,500	1,170	950	710	12.7	10.5	7.7	
Hancock	13,800	13,680	14,540	11,670	11,930	13,110	2,120	1,750	1,430	15.4	12.8	9.8	
Hardy	6,540	6,350	6,650	5,690	5,650	6,120	850	710	530	13.0	11.1	8.0	
Harrison	30,690	30,430	30,170	27,840	28,180	28,450	2,840	2,250	1,720	9.3	7.4	5.7	
Jackson	11,160	11,100	11,750	9,500	9,690	10,780	1,660	1,410	970	14.9	12.7	8.3	
Jefferson	23,640	23,570	24,000	21,800	22,010	22,510	1,850	1,560	1,490	7.8	6.6	6.2	
Kanawha	87,520	87,600	90,270	80,020	81,400	85,760	7,500	6,210	4,510	8.6	7.1	5.0	
Lewis	7,450	7,300	7,340	6,650	6,690	6,850	800	610	480	10.7	8.4	6.6	
Lincoln	8,020	7,910	7,960	6,900	7,020	7,390	1,130	890	570	14.0	11.3	7.2	
Logan	12,670	12,660	12,910	11,210	11,420	12,320	1,460	1,250	590	11.5	9.8	4.6	
McDowell	7,190	7,170	7,350	6,250	6,330	6,710	940	840	640	13.0	11.7	8.7	
Marion	25,340	25,490	25,450	23,180	23,800	24,220	2,160	1,680	1,230	8.5	6.6	4.8	
Marshall	14,410	14,420	14,480	12,650	13,040	13,290	1,760	1,380	1,180	12.2	9.5	8.2	
Mason	10,030	9,760	9,940	8,520	8,530	8,890	1,510	1,230	1,050	15.0	12.6	10.5	
Mercer	24,810	24,300	24,960	22,430	22,480	23,530	2,370	1,820	1,430	9.6	7.5	5.7	
Mineral	12,960	13,210	13,170	11,450	11,970	12,220	1,500	1,240	960	11.6	9.4	7.3	
Mingo	8,470	8,430	8,850	7,430	7,550	8,410	1,040	880	440	12.3	10.4	5.0	
Monongalia	46,540	47,710	46,370	43,850	45,520	44,770	2,690	2,190	1,590	5.8	4.6	3.4	
Monroe	5,500	5,390	5,630	4,980	4,980	5,210	520	410	430	9.5	7.6	7.5	
Morgan	6,630	6,580	6,770	5,820	5,940	6,230	810	650	540	12.2	9.8	8.0	
Nicholas	10,430	10,230	10,350	9,090	9,120	9,670	1,340	1,110	680	12.8	10.9	6.6	
Ohio	20,300	20,490	20,540	18,240	18,810	19,170	2,060	1,690	1,370	10.1	8.2	6.7	
Pendleton	3,560	3,460	3,500	3,170	3,130	3,260	390	330	240	11.0	9.5	6.9	
Pleasants	3,030	3,050	3,060	2,620	2,710	2,780	410	350	290	13.5	11.4	9.4	
Pocahontas	3,840	3,730	3,850	3,370	3,290	3,500	470	440	360	12.3	11.7	9.2	
Preston	15,060	15,200	14,800	13,480	13,990	13,760	1,580	1,210	1,040	10.5	8.0	7.0	
Putnam	26,360	26,230	27,400	24,200	24,610	25,930	2,160	1,610	1,460	8.2	6.1	5.3	
Raleigh	31,550	31,550	31,880	28,480	29,040	30,130	3,070	2,510	1,750	9.7	8.0	5.5	
Randolph	12,470	12,360	12,350	11,010	11,180	11,330	1,460	1,180	1,020	11.7	9.6	8.3	
Ritchie	4,220	4,190	4,300	3,740	3,800	3,920	490	390	380	11.5	9.3	8.8	
Roane	5,400	5,270	5,440	4,500	4,510	4,850	910	750	580	16.8	14.3	10.7	
Summers	4,500	4,460	4,380	3,960	4,060	4,040	540	390	340	11.9	8.8	7.8	
Taylor	6,870	6,790	6,780	6,210	6,290	6,350	650	510	430	9.5	7.4	6.3	
Tucker	2,950	2,790	3,060	2,510	2,440	2,730	450	350	330	15.1	12.7	10.9	
Tyler	3,580	3,470	3,540	3,090	3,080	3,120	490	390	420	13.8	11.1	11.8	
Upshur	10,390	10,410	10,310	9,220	9,450	9,580	1,170	960	720	11.3	9.3	7.0	
Wayne	16,900	16,890	17,220	15,110	15,410	15,980	1,790	1,480	1,240	10.6	8.8	7.2	
Webster	3,170	3,030	3,090	2,710	2,660	2,830	460	370	260	14.6	12.2	8.4	
Wetzel	6,280	6,010	6,160	5,230	5,260	5,420	1,060	750	740	16.8	12.5	12.0	
Wirt	2,440	2,410	2,420	2,050	2,110	2,170	400	300	250	16.2	12.4	10.3	
Wood	38,920	39,320	39,740	34,680	35,790	36,720	4,240	3,530	3,020	10.9	9.0	7.6	
Wyoming	8,150	7,930	8,010	7,160	7,070	7,560	990	860	450	12.2	10.8	5.6	
Benchmark 2009	Statewide	781,000	778,600	790,200	698,700	711,500	737,400	82,400	67,100	52,800	10.5	8.6	6.7

Benchmark 2009

# WEST VIRGINIA COUNTY DATA

	Total Nonfarm Payroll			Goods Producing			Service Providing			
	Jan 2010	Dec 2009	Jan 2009	Jan 2010	Dec 2009	Jan 2009	Jan 2010	Dec 2009	Jan 2009	
Barbour	3,790	4,110	3,690	550	550	570	3,240	3,560	3,120	
Berkeley	28,900	29,480	28,880	2,460	2,470	2,790	26,440	27,010	26,100	
Boone	8,800	8,960	9,510	3,720	3,780	4,400	5,090	5,170	5,110	
Braxton	4,390	4,440	4,280	680	690	700	3,710	3,750	3,590	
Brooke	8,700	8,940	8,680	2,120	2,110	2,210	6,570	6,830	6,470	
Cabell	53,350	54,620	54,120	6,690	6,810	7,160	46,660	47,810	46,970	
Calhoun	1,440	1,600	1,480	240	340	290	1,190	1,260	1,190	
Clay	2,150	2,170	2,210	600	600	630	1,550	1,560	1,590	
Doddridge	1,290	1,310	1,260	180	180	190	1,110	1,130	1,080	
Fayette	12,640	12,870	12,680	1,710	1,670	2,110	10,940	11,200	10,570	
Gilmer	2,380	2,470	2,360	520	530	510	1,860	1,940	1,850	
Grant	3,680	3,740	3,850	770	790	890	2,910	2,950	2,960	
Greenbrier	13,390	13,490	13,060	1,300	1,310	1,410	12,100	12,190	11,650	
Hampshire	4,180	4,190	4,110	400	420	380	3,790	3,760	3,720	
Hancock	11,780	11,890	12,010	2,940	2,980	3,050	8,840	8,910	8,960	
Hardy	5,880	5,910	6,180	2,840	2,830	3,160	3,040	3,080	3,020	
Harrison	34,540	35,130	34,200	4,100	4,290	4,410	30,440	30,840	29,790	
Jackson	7,820	8,050	8,810	1,640	1,660	2,590	6,180	6,380	6,220	
Jefferson	14,510	14,830	14,380	1,280	1,320	1,400	13,240	13,510	12,980	
Kanawha	109,570	112,050	113,450	8,730	9,860	11,370	100,850	102,190	102,090	
Lewis	6,410	6,480	6,390	1,090	1,100	1,190	5,320	5,390	5,200	
Lincoln	3,360	3,340	3,650	820	820	910	2,550	2,530	2,740	
Logan	11,560	11,840	12,300	2,170	2,180	2,730	9,390	9,660	9,570	
McDowell	6,480	6,600	6,690	1,640	1,640	1,980	4,830	4,950	4,700	
Marion	21,350	22,020	21,750	3,610	3,650	4,060	17,750	18,370	17,690	
Marshall	11,380	11,500	11,360	2,860	2,880	2,870	8,530	8,620	8,480	
Mason	6,860	6,970	7,060	820	850	880	6,050	6,120	6,180	
Mercer	24,120	23,980	24,080	2,230	2,260	2,250	21,890	21,730	21,820	
Mineral	8,240	8,500	8,200	2,340	2,380	2,270	5,910	6,120	5,930	
Mingo	8,400	8,560	9,350	3,030	3,040	3,880	5,360	5,520	5,470	
Monongalia	54,320	57,030	53,060	5,670	6,090	6,060	48,650	50,940	47,000	
Monroe	2,380	2,400	2,420	580	580	600	1,800	1,820	1,820	
Morgan	3,140	3,150	3,090	420	420	420	2,720	2,730	2,670	
Nicholas	8,820	8,930	9,110	1,890	1,940	2,240	6,930	6,990	6,870	
Ohio	30,930	32,160	31,070	2,370	2,430	2,370	28,560	29,730	28,690	
Pendleton	1,840	1,870	1,830	150	150	170	1,690	1,720	1,660	
Pleasants	2,950	2,970	3,060	610	610	730	2,340	2,360	2,330	
Pocahontas	3,820	3,820	3,870	450	450	440	3,370	3,360	3,430	
Preston	7,250	7,320	7,570	1,190	1,220	1,640	6,070	6,100	5,930	
Putnam	20,090	20,580	20,420	4,760	4,900	4,880	15,330	15,670	15,540	
Raleigh	32,070	32,880	32,750	3,990	3,960	4,540	28,070	28,920	28,220	
Randolph	12,140	12,500	12,070	2,000	1,990	1,990	10,150	10,520	10,080	
Ritchie	3,190	3,260	3,200	1,280	1,330	1,290	1,910	1,930	1,900	
Roane	3,240	3,270	3,350	470	480	640	2,770	2,790	2,700	
Summers	2,540	2,670	2,500	130	130	100	2,410	2,550	2,400	
Taylor	3,190	3,170	3,020	330	330	300	2,860	2,830	2,720	
Tucker	2,730	2,670	2,910	310	350	350	2,420	2,320	2,570	
Tyler	2,650	2,650	2,550	710	710	680	1,940	1,950	1,860	
Upshur	8,560	8,930	8,670	1,930	1,960	2,170	6,630	6,970	6,500	
Wayne	10,110	10,200	10,160	1,740	1,750	1,790	8,370	8,450	8,370	
Webster	2,350	2,380	2,410	620	620	660	1,730	1,760	1,750	
Wetzel	4,860	4,910	4,880	380	410	370	4,480	4,500	4,510	
Wirt	850	840	840	160	160	160	690	680	680	
Wood	40,720	42,160	40,490	6,410	6,660	5,980	34,310	35,500	34,510	
Wyoming	5,720	5,640	5,790	1,410	1,440	1,700	4,310	4,200	4,100	
Statewide	717,400	739,700	740,400	105,000	110,800	118,900	612,400	628,900	621,500	Benchmark 2009

**Nonfarm  
Payroll  
Employment  
by County**

	Civilian Labor Force			Total Employment			Total Unemployment			Unemployment Rate		
	Jan 2010	Dec 2009	Jan 2009	Jan 2010	Dec 2009	Jan 2009	Jan 2010	Dec 2009	Jan 2009	Jan 2010	Dec 2009	Jan 2009
<b>UNITED STATES <i>In Thousands</i></b>												
<i>Not Seasonally Adjusted</i>	152,957	152,693	153,445	136,809	137,953	140,436	16,147	14,740	13,009	10.6	9.7	8.5
<i>Seasonally Adjusted</i>	153,170	153,059	154,140	138,333	137,792	142,221	14,837	15,267	11,919	9.7	10.0	7.7
<b>WEST VIRGINIA</b>												
<i>Not Seasonally Adjusted</i>	781,000	778,600	790,200	698,700	711,500	737,400	82,400	67,100	52,800	10.5	8.6	6.7
<i>Seasonally Adjusted</i>	786,900	786,100	802,600	714,000	715,500	756,000	72,900	70,600	46,700	9.3	9.0	5.8
<b>CHARLESTON MSA</b>												
Boone, Clay, Kanawha, Lincoln and Putnam Counties	134,300	134,100	138,200	122,200	124,300	130,900	12,200	9,900	7,300	9.1	7.4	5.3
<b>HUNTINGTON - ASHLAND MSA</b>												
Cabell and Wayne Counties, WV; Boyd and Greenup Counties, KY; and Lawrence County, OH	130,200	130,100	131,900	118,000	119,900	122,400	12,200	10,200	9,600	9.4	7.8	7.3
<b>MORGANTOWN MSA</b>												
Monongalia and Preston Counties	61,600	62,900	61,200	57,300	59,500	58,500	4,300	3,400	2,600	6.9	5.4	4.3
<b>PARKERSBURG - MARIETTA MSA</b>												
Pleasants, Wirt and Wood Counties, WV; Washington County, OH	77,600	78,200	78,300	68,700	70,800	71,800	8,900	7,500	6,500	11.5	9.5	8.3
<b>WHEELING MSA</b>												
Ohio and Marshall Counties, WV, and Belmont County, OH	68,700	69,000	68,400	60,700	62,500	62,900	7,900	6,500	5,500	11.6	9.4	8.1
<b>BECKLEY - OAK HILL CSA</b>												
<b>Beckley MCSA</b>	49,020	48,850	49,070	43,790	44,540	46,120	5,230	4,310	2,950	10.7	8.8	6.0
Raleigh County	31,550	31,550	31,880	28,480	29,040	30,130	3,070	2,510	1,750	9.7	8.0	5.5
<b>Oak Hill MCSA</b>	17,470	17,300	17,190	15,310	15,500	15,990	2,160	1,800	1,200	12.4	10.4	7.0
Fayette County												
<b>BLUEFIELD MCSA</b>												
Mercer County, WV, and Tazewell County, VA	45,960	45,110	46,010	42,150	41,890	43,370	3,810	3,230	2,640	8.3	7.2	5.7
<b>FAIRMONT - CLARKSBURG CSA</b>												
<b>Fairmont MCSA</b>	65,680	65,480	65,140	59,740	60,790	61,580	5,950	4,690	3,570	9.1	7.2	5.5
Marion County	25,340	25,490	25,450	23,180	23,800	24,220	2,160	1,680	1,230	8.5	6.6	4.8
<b>Clarksburg MCSA</b>												
Doddridge, Harrison and Taylor Counties	40,340	39,990	39,690	36,560	36,990	37,350	3,790	3,000	2,340	9.4	7.5	5.9
Harrison County	30,690	30,430	30,170	27,840	28,180	28,450	2,840	2,250	1,720	9.3	7.4	5.7
Doddridge-Taylor Counties	9,660	9,570	9,520	8,710	8,820	8,900	950	750	620	9.8	7.9	6.5
<b>POINT PLEASANT MCSA</b>												
Mason County, WV, and Gallia County, OH	24,410	23,870	23,950	21,200	21,170	21,720	3,210	2,710	2,230	13.2	11.3	9.3

*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 2009 benchmark.*

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