

Unemployment Rates and Unemployment Insurance Beneficiaries at Risk by State

State	Pre-Recession Unemployment Rate December 2007	Unemployment Rate October 2010	Percentage Point Increase Since December 2007 ¹	Number of UI Recipients at Risk of Losing Benefits in December 2010 ²
AL	3.9%	8.9%	5.0	26,892
AK	6.2%	7.9%	1.7	0
AZ	4.3%	9.5%	5.2	52,634
AR	5.0%	7.8%	2.8	7,872
CA	5.8%	12.4%	6.6	410,695
CO	4.3%	8.4%	4.1	41,019
CT	4.9%	9.1%	4.2	0
DE	3.8%	8.3%	4.5	6,804
DC	5.5%	9.7%	4.2	8,017
FL	4.7%	11.9%	7.2	107,518
GA	5.1%	9.9%	4.8	89,971
HI	3.0%	6.4%	3.4	3,439
ID	3.5%	9.1%	5.6	15,159
IL	5.5%	9.8%	4.3	127,767
IN	4.6%	9.9%	5.3	66,769
IA	3.9%	6.7%	2.8	8,739
KS	4.0%	6.7%	2.7	0
KY	5.5%	10.0%	4.5	33,015
LA	3.8%	8.1%	4.3	10,754
ME	4.7%	7.4%	2.7	6,829
MD	3.5%	7.4%	3.9	13,915
MA	4.4%	8.1%	3.7	52,503
MI	7.1%	12.8%	5.7	91,695
MN	4.7%	7.1%	2.4	0
MS	6.1%	9.7%	3.6	9,304
MO	5.3%	9.4%	4.1	44,908
MT	3.9%	7.3%	3.4	4,017
NE	2.9%	4.7%	1.8	3,834
NV	5.2%	14.2%	9.0	37,961
NH	3.4%	5.4%	2.0	1,994
NJ	4.5%	9.2%	4.7	0
NM	3.6%	8.4%	4.8	2,190
NY	4.7%	8.3%	3.6	160,346

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NC	4.9%	9.6%	4.7	0
ND	3.0%	3.8%	0.8	832
OH	5.6%	9.9%	4.3	88,530
OK	3.6%	6.9%	3.3	7,593
OR	5.2%	10.5%	5.3	7,387
PA	4.5%	8.8%	4.3	133,065
RI	6.0%	11.4%	5.4	3,015
SC	5.6%	10.7%	5.1	44,204
SD	2.8%	4.5%	1.7	422
TN	5.5%	9.4%	3.9	57,414
TX	4.4%	8.1%	3.7	127,927
UT	3.1%	7.6%	4.5	6,526
VT	4.0%	5.7%	1.7	1,569
VA	3.2%	6.8%	3.6	30,871
WA	4.6%	9.1%	4.5	0
WV	4.0%	9.3%	5.3	10,964
WI	4.5%	7.8%	3.3	44,146
WY	2.8%	6.7%	3.9	2,033
US	5.0%	9.6%	4.6	2,013,058

¹ NWLC calculations from the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Local Area Unemployment Statistics database, available at <http://data.bls.gov/cgi-bin/surveymost?la> (last visited Nov. 29, 2010).

² National Employment Law Project, "Out in the Cold for the Holidays: Federal Jobless Benefits Will Be Cut for Two Million Workers in December-- 800,000 Immediately – if Congress Fails to Renew the Emergency Program," available at <http://www.nelp.org/page/-/UI/2010/november.extension.report.pdf?nocdn=1?nocdn=1> (last visited Nov. 29, 2010).