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MADISON — The Department of Workforce Development (DWD) today released the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) estimates of unemployment and employment statistics for Wisconsin metropolitan areas, major cities and counties in Wisconsin.

In brief, the non-seasonally adjusted data for Wisconsin showed:

- **Metropolitan Statistical Areas**: Preliminary January 2019 unemployment rates declined or stayed the same in seven of Wisconsin's 12 metro areas over the year when compared to January 2018. The largest over-the-year decrease occurred in the Oshkosh-Neenah metro area (0.1 percent).
- **Municipalities**: Preliminary January 2019 unemployment rates declined or stayed the same in 19 of Wisconsin's 32 largest cities. The largest over-the-year decreases occurred in Oshkosh, Superior and Green Bay (0.2 percent)
- **Counties**: Preliminary January 2019 unemployment rates declined or stayed the same in 18 of Wisconsin's 72 counties. The largest over-the-year decrease occurred in Florence County (0.9 percent).

The data included in today's release can be accessed at WisConomy.com.