

# Dept. of Workforce Development: August local employment and unemployment data released

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MADISON – The Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development (DWD) today released the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) estimates of employment and unemployment statistics for Wisconsin metropolitan areas, major cities, and counties in Wisconsin for August 2023.

In brief, the nonseasonally adjusted data for Wisconsin shows:

- **Metropolitan Statistical Areas:** The Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development (DWD) today released the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) estimates of employment and unemployment statistics for Wisconsin metropolitan areas, major cities, and counties in Wisconsin for August 2023.
- **Municipalities:** Preliminary August 2023 unemployment rates rose in Wisconsin's 35 largest cities over the month. Over the year, unemployment rates increased in 35 cities.
- **Counties:** Preliminary August 2023 unemployment rates decreased in one Wisconsin county and rose in 71 counties over the month and decreased or stayed the same in 5 of 72 Wisconsin counties over the year.

The data included in today's release can be accessed at [WisConomy.com](https://www.wisconsin.gov/economy).