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JANUARY LOCAL UNEMPLOYMENT, JOB NUMBERS ANNOUNCED

Secretary Perez cites over 26,500 openings on JCW, urges unemployed to apply

MADISON – Department of Workforce Development (DWD) Manny Perez today announced preliminary January unemployment rates for Wisconsin cities, counties and metropolitan areas. He also cited over 26,500 openings listed on JobCenterofWisconsin web site and urged the unemployed to apply for them.

"Wisconsin added 10,100 private sector jobs in January, giving us a head start on the hiring season," Secretary Perez said. "We expect more job growth with Wisconsin's new, business friendly image under Governor Walker. The time is right for the unemployed to redouble job search efforts and help meet employer needs, particularly manufacturers with increasing production orders."

Secretary Perez encouraged the unemployed to explore all job opportunities on DWD's online employment site, <u>https://jobcenterofwisconsin.com/</u>. He said that by taking jobs now, they can help revitalize the economy while reducing the state's unemployment burden.

JOBS DATA (METRO AREAS ONLY)

Metro Milwaukee, including Waukesha, Ozaukee and Washington counties, gained 6,600 jobs in January on a seasonally adjusted basis. Janesville, Oshkosh-Neenah, Racine and Sheboygan also added jobs. Eau Claire had no change, while Appleton, Fond du Lac, Green Bay, La Crosse, Madison, and Wausau metro areas lost jobs.

UNEMPLOYMENT RATES (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)

METRO AREAS

All 12 metro areas had higher rates in January compared to the previous month. Janesville had the highest rate, 10.5 percent; Madison, the lowest, 5.7 percent. All metro area rates were lower than the January 2010 rates with decreases as high as 2.8 percentage points in the case of Janesville.

MUNICIPALITIES

Of 31 municipalities with at least 25,000 residents, all had rate increases except the Village of Mount Pleasant, which experienced a decline from 9.3 percent in December to 7.0 percent in January. Caledonia had the lowest rate, 3.8 percent, while Racine had the highest, 14.0 percent. All cities had lower rates compared to January 2010.

COUNTIES

All 72 counties had higher rates in January than in December, but lower rates than in January 2010. Door County had the highest rate, 13.3 percent, and Dane County, the lowest, 5.3 percent.

The January numbers are preliminary and subject to revision within the next several weeks.

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Labor Force and Employment Estimates January 2011

STATEWIDE LABOR FORCE

		SEAS	ONALLY ADJU	JSTED		NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED						
	PRELIM.	FINAL	YEAR AGO	NET CHANGE OVER		PRELIM.	FINAL	YEAR AGO	NET CHAN	NGE OVER		
	Jan-11	Dec-10	Jan-10	1-Month	1-Year	Jan-11	Dec-10	Jan-10	1-Month	1-Year		
Total labor force	3,045,200	3,044,700	3,080,500	500	-35,300	3,020,60	3,031,400	3,059,400	-10,800	-38,800		
Employment	2,819,400	2,817,000	2,798,000	2,400	21,400	2,774,30	2,817,000	2,752,200	-42,700	22,100		
Unemployment	225,800	227,700	282,400	-1,900	-56,600	246,30	214,400	307,200	31,900	-60,900		
Unemployment Rate	7.4%	7.5%	9.2%	-0.1%	-1.8%	8.2%	5 7.1%	10.0%	1.1%	-1.8%		
National Rate	9.0%	9.4%	9.7%	-0.4%	-0.7%	9.8%	9.1%	10.6%	0.7%	-0.8%		

MSA EMPLOYMENT

		SEAS	ONALLY ADJU	JSTED		NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED					
	PRELIM.	FINAL	YEAR AGO	NET CHANGE OVER		PRELIM.	FINAL	YEAR AGO	NET CHAN	IGE OVER	
	Jan-11	Dec-10	Jan-10	1-Month	1-Year	Jan-11	Dec-10	Jan-10	1-Month	1-Year	
Statewide	2,742,500	2,736,300	2,723,600	6,200	18,900	2,678,000	2,747,200	2,658,200	-69,200	19,800	
Appleton	115,900	116,600	114,400	-700	1,500	113,800	116,600	112,100	-2,800	1,700	
Eau Claire	80,400	80,400	79,500	0	900	78,300	81,300	76,700	-3,000	1,600	
Fond du Lac	45,000	45,500	44,200	-500	800	43,900	45,200	43,100	-1,300	800	
Green Bay	165,700	166,000	165,000	-300	700	162,400	166,700	162,300	-4,300	100	
Janesville	61,100	61,000	61,300	100	-200	59,700	61,300	59,800	-1,600	-100	
La Crosse	73,100	73,300	73,500	-200	-400	71,400	74,000	71,400	-2,600	0	
Madison	343,000	345,600	343,000	-2,600	0	337,000	346,900	337,000	-9,900	0	
Milwaukee-W.O.W.	817,200	810,600	803,300	6,600	13,900	803,100	816,100	790,100	-13,000	13,000	
Oshkosh-Neenah	92,900	92,700	91,700	200	1,200	91,000	93,100	89,900	-2,100	1,100	
Racine	75,300	74,800	74,100	500	1,200	73,800	75,100	72,900	-1,300	900	
Sheboygan	58,800	58,600	58,100	200	700	57,700	58,500	56,800	-800	900	
Wausau	66,700	67,000	67,000	-300	-300	65,700	67,400	66,000	-1,700	-300	

MSA UNEMPLOYMENT RATES

	NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED								
	PRELIM. FINAL YEAR AGO NET CHANC								
	Jan-11	Dec-10	Jan-10	1-Month	1-Year				
Wisconsin	8.2%	7.1%	10.0%	1.1%	-1.8%				
Appleton	7.4%	6.4%	9.4%	1.0%	-2.0%				
Eau Claire	7.4%	6.1%	8.9%	1.3%	-1.5%				
Fond du Lac	7.9%	6.8%	10.4%	1.1%	-2.5%				
Green Bay	7.7%	6.6%	9.3%	1.1%	-1.6%				
Janesville	10.5%	9.3%	13.3%	1.2%	-2.8%				
La Crosse	6.7%	5.6%	8.3%	1.1%	-1.6%				
Madison	5.7%	4.9%	7.1%	0.8%	-1.4%				
Milwaukee-W.O.W.	8.2%	7.3%	10.0%	0.9%	-1.8%				
Oshkosh-Neenah	6.9%	5.9%	8.5%	1.0%	-1.6%				
Racine	9.5%	8.5%	11.8%	1.0%	-2.3%				
Sheboygan	8.3%	7.4%	10.5%	0.9%	-2.2%				
Wausau	8.2%	7.1%	10.5%	1.1%	-2.3%				

Note: Seasonally adjusted total nonfarm employment estimates for MSAs are the only seasonally adjusted data below the statewide level. County and city unemployment rates are not seasonally adjusted.

Local Unemployment Rates January 2011

<u>CITIES</u>

		Dec-10		Dec-10				Dec-10		Dec-10	
CITY	RANK	RANK	RATE	RATE	RATE	CITY	RANK	RANK	RATE	RATE	RATE
Appleton	12	13	9.2%	8.2%	11.8%	Mount Pleasant	21	10	7.0%	9.3%	12.6%
Beloit	2	1	13.8%	12.9%	18.9%	Neenah	11	12	9.4%	8.7%	11.9%
Brookfield	29	29	6.1%	5.4%	7.6%	New Berlin	26	25	6.4%	5.9%	8.6%
Caledonia	31	31	3.8%	3.2%	4.4%	Oak Creek	23	21	6.7%	6.1%	8.5%
Eau Claire	22	26	7.0%	5.9%	8.6%	Oshkosh	18	20	7.6%	6.4%	9.4%
Fond du Lac	13	14	9.1%	8.0%	12.5%	Racine	1	2	14.0%	12.8%	17.1%
Franklin	27	27	6.4%	5.7%	8.0%	Sheboygan	10	7	10.5%	9.5%	13.1%
Green Bay	5	5	11.0%	9.6%	13.2%	Stevens Point	16	17	8.8%	7.1%	11.3%
Greenfield	17	18	7.7%	6.8%	9.0%	Sun Prairie	25	23	6.4%	6.0%	8.4%
Janesville	6	6	11.0%	9.6%	13.5%	Superior	20	19	7.1%	6.4%	8.5%
Kenosha	4	3	11.1%	10.2%	13.2%	Waukesha	14	15	9.1%	7.9%	11.4%
La Crosse	19	22	7.3%	6.1%	9.0%	Wausau	7	9	10.9%	9.4%	13.6%
Madison	30	30	4.9%	4.4%	6.1%	Wauwatosa	28	28	6.1%	5.5%	7.5%
Manitowoc	9	11	10.6%	9.2%	15.2%	West Allis	15	16	8.9%	7.6%	10.3%
Menomonee Falls	24	24	6.6%	6.0%	8.4%	West Bend	3	8	11.3%	9.5%	14.4%
Milwaukee	8	4	10.7%	9.7%	12.6%						

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Alphabetical Order

	Jan-11	Dec-10	Jan-11	Dec-10	Jan-10		Jan-11	Dec-10	Jan-11	Dec-10	Jan-10
COUNTY	RANK	RANK	RATE	RATE	RATE	COUNTY	RANK	RANK	RATE	RATE	RATE
Adams	4	2	12.6%	11.2%	14.3%	Marathon	47	45	8.2%	7.1%	10.5%
Ashland	22	27	10.3%	8.4%	12.1%	Marinette	14	11	10.8%	9.5%	13.0%
Barron	34	37	9.1%	7.7%	11.2%	Marquette	13	12	10.9%	9.5%	13.0%
Bayfield	2	4	12.9%	11.0%	14.2%	Menominee	5	1	12.2%	11.2%	14.4%
Brown	57	57	7.3%	6.3%	8.8%	Milwaukee	37	33	9.0%	8.1%	10.7%
Buffalo	62	64	7.1%	5.8%	8.7%	Monroe	51	51	7.7%	6.6%	9.0%
Burnett	12	15	11.1%	9.3%	13.2%	Oconto	19	20	10.4%	8.9%	12.6%
Calumet	68	69	6.7%	5.5%	8.8%	Oneida	8	9	11.5%	9.8%	13.0%
Chippewa	39	42	8.8%	7.3%		Outagamie	56	50	7.5%		9.6%
Clark	25	25	10.1%	8.5%	12.9%	Ozaukee	70	70	6.4%		8.3%
Columbia	42	41	8.7%	7.4%	10.5%	Pepin	54	60	7.6%	6.2%	9.9%
Crawford	27	31	9.8%	8.2%		Pierce	67	61	6.7%	6.0%	8.3%
Dane	72	72	5.3%	4.6%	6.6%	Polk	30	30	9.5%	8.2%	12.5%
Dodge	41	38	8.7%	7.6%	11.2%	Portage	60	66	7.3%		9.2%
Door	1	5	13.3%	10.9%	13.7%	Price	36	32	9.0%	8.1%	12.2%
Douglas	55	47	7.5%	6.7%	9.3%	Racine	29	24	9.5%	8.5%	11.8%
Dunn	63	67	7.1%	5.6%	8.8%	Richland	50	48	7.8%	6.7%	10.7%
Eau Claire	69	68	6.5%	5.5%	8.0%	Rock	16	14	10.5%		13.3%
Florence	31	19	9.3%	8.9%	11.4%	Rusk	6	7	11.9%	10.1%	15.1%
Fond du Lac	48	46	7.9%	6.8%		Sauk	43	43	8.7%		
Forest	10	13	11.3%	9.5%	12.8%	Sawyer	7	10	11.8%		
Grant	59	63	7.3%	5.9%	8.7%	Shawano	28	28	9.7%	8.3%	11.8%
Green	45	53	8.3%	6.6%	10.2%	Sheboygan	44	40	8.3%	7.4%	10.5%
Green Lake	26	29	9.8%	8.3%	12.0%	St. Croix	64	56	7.0%		8.6%
Iowa	46	55	8.3%	6.4%	10.2%	Taylor	15	18	10.8%	9.0%	13.8%
Iron	11	6	11.1%	10.4%	14.0%	Trempealeau	58	58	7.3%	6.3%	9.2%
Jackson	21	26	10.3%	8.5%	11.6%	Vernon	49	49	7.9%		10.1%
Jefferson	33	35	9.1%	7.8%		Vilas	3	3	12.7%	11.2%	13.9%
Juneau	17	17	10.5%	9.0%	12.3%	Walworth	35	39	9.1%	7.6%	11.1%
Kenosha	23	16	10.1%	9.1%	12.3%	Washburn	24	23	10.1%	8.7%	12.0%
Kewaunee	53	54	7.6%	6.5%	10.0%	Washington	52	52	7.7%	6.6%	9.9%
La Crosse	71	71	6.2%	5.2%	7.8%	Waukesha	65	59	7.0%	6.2%	
Lafayette	61	65	7.2%	5.8%	8.5%	Waupaca	38	36	8.9%	7.7%	11.1%
Langlade	20	21	10.3%	8.8%	12.2%	Waushara	18	22	10.5%	8.8%	
Lincoln	9	8	11.3%	9.8%	13.9%	Winnebago	66	62	6.9%	5.9%	8.5%
Manitowoc	32	34	9.3%	8.0%	12.3%	Wood	40	44	8.8%		10.8%
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Labor Market Information

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Ascending Order

	Jan-11	Dec-10	Jan-10		Jan-11	Dec-10	Jan-10
COUNTY	RATE	RATE	RATE	COUNTY	RATE	RATE	RATE
Dane	5.3%		6.6%	Price	9.0%	8.1%	12.2%
La Crosse	6.2%	5.2%	7.8%	Walworth	9.1%	7.6%	11.1%
Ozaukee	6.4%	5.4%	8.3%	Barron	9.1%	7.7%	11.2%
Eau Claire	6.5%	5.5%	8.0%	Jefferson	9.1%	7.8%	11.1%
Calumet	6.7%		8.8%	Manitowoc	9.3%		
Pierce	6.7%		8.3%	Florence	9.3%	8.9%	11.4%
Winnebago	6.9%		8.5%	Polk	9.5%		
Waukesha	7.0%		8.8%	Racine	9.5%		
St. Croix	7.0%		8.6%	Shawano	9.7%		
Dunn	7.1%		8.8%	Crawford	9.8%		
Buffalo	7.1%		8.7%	Green Lake	9.8%		
Lafayette	7.2%		8.5%	Clark	10.1%		
Portage	7.3%		9.2%	Washburn	10.1%		
Grant	7.3%		8.7%	Kenosha	10.1%		
Trempealeau	7.3%		9.2%	Ashland	10.3%	8.4%	12.1%
Brown	7.3%		8.8%	Jackson	10.3%	8.5%	11.6%
Outagamie	7.5%		9.6%	Langlade	10.3%		
Douglas	7.5%		9.3%	Oconto	10.4%		12.6%
Pepin	7.6%		9.9%	Waushara	10.5%		12.6%
Kewaunee	7.6%		10.0%	Juneau	10.5%		
Washington	7.7%		9.9%	Rock	10.5%		
Monroe	7.7%		9.0%	Taylor	10.8%		
Richland	7.8%		10.7%	Marinette	10.8%		
Vernon	7.9%		10.1%	Marquette	10.9%		
Fond du Lac	7.9%		10.4%	Burnett	11.1%		
Marathon	8.2%		10.5%	Iron	11.1%		
Iowa	8.3%		10.2%	Forest	11.3%		
Green	8.3%		10.2%	Lincoln	11.3%		
Sheboygan	8.3%		10.5%	Oneida	11.5%		
Sauk	8.7%		10.6%	Sawyer	11.8%		
Columbia	8.7%		10.5%	Rusk	11.9%		
Dodge	8.7%		11.2%	Menominee	12.2%		14.4%
Wood	8.8%		10.8%	Adams	12.6%		
Chippewa	8.8%		10.4%	Vilas	12.7%		
Waupaca	8.9%		11.1%	Bayfield	12.9%		14.2%
Milwaukee	9.0%	8.1%	10.7%	Door	13.3%	10.9%	13.7%

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