

Labor Force

2017 Unemployment Data

Month	Total Labor Force	# Employed	# Unemployed	Rate
March	54,591	51,693	2,898	5.3%
February	54,523	51,323	3,200	5.9%
January	54,808	50,859	3,949	7.2%
2017 Average	54,641	51,292	3,349	6.1%

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Month	Total Labor Force	# Employed	# Unemployed	Rate
December	55,507	52,574	2,933	5.3%
November	56,418	53,816	2,602	4.6%
October	56,488	53,777	2,711	4.8%
September	56,155	53,324	2,831	5.0%
August	56,607	53,760	2,847	5.0%
July	57,029	54,137	2,892	5.1%
June	56,168	53,242	2,926	5.2%
May	55,915	52,943	2,972	5.3%
April	55,587	52,435	3,152	5.7%
March	55,744	52,153	3,591	6.4%
February	55,455	51,707	3,748	6.8%
January	55,518	51,561	3,957	7.1%
2016 Average	56,049	52,952	3,097	5.5%

2015 Unemployment Data

December	55,968	52,756	3,212	5.7%
November	56,946	53,569	3,377	5.9%
October	56,488	53,499	2,989	5.3%
September	55,919	53,227	2,692	4.8%
August	55,777	52,935	2,842	5.1%
July	56,466	53,408	3,058	5.4%
June	55,644	52,881	2,763	5.0%
May	54,721	52,126	2,595	4.7%
April	53,715	51,236	2,479	4.6%
March	53,429	50,454	2,975	5.6%
February	53,512	50,353	3,159	5.9%
January	53,390	49,988	3,402	6.4%
2015 Average	55,165	52,203	2,962	5.4%

Source: IDES, Economic Information & Analysis Division.

*Totals vary from 2014 numbers due to a change in methodology from IDES. For more information about the changes please visit: <http://www.ides.illinois.gov/LMI/ILMR/LAUS2015Redesign.pdf>