Labor Force Estimates - U.S. and Tennessee

Seasonally Adjusted	September 2026				August 2026		September 2025	
	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Rate	Rate	Change	Rate	Change
United States	170,262,000	163,152,000	7,109,000	4.2%	4.1%	0.1%	4.4%	-0.2%
Tennessee	3,490,233	3,372,284	117,949	3.4%	3.4%	0.0%	3.5%	-0.1%

*Tennessee and the United States are the only Seasonally Adjusted data in this document

Not Seasonally Adjusted	September 2026				August 2026		September 2025	
	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Rate	Rate	Change	Rate	Change
United States	170,298,000	163,439,000	6,859,000	4.0%	4.3%	-0.3%	4.3%	-0.3%
Tennessee	3,507,552	3,392,416	115,136	3.3%	3.7%	-0.4%	3.5%	-0.2%

Labor Force Estimates - Combined Statistical Areas

Combined Statistical Area	September 2026				August 2026	
	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Rate	Rate	Change
Chattanooga-Cleveland-Dalton, TN-GA-AL CSA	**476,038**	**459,915**	**16,123**	**3.4%**	**3.6%**	**-0.2%**
Athens Micropolitan Area (McMinn Co & Meigs Co)	25,372	24,295	1,077	4.2%	4.7%	-0.5%
Chattanooga, TN-GA MSA	297,137	287,690	9,447	3.2%	3.4%	-0.2%
Cleveland, TN MSA	56,597	54,593	2,004	3.5%	4.0%	-0.5%
Dalton, GA MSA	66,721	64,327	2,394	3.6%	3.4%	0.2%
Summerville, GA Micropolitan Area	9,312	8,927	385	4.1%	4.0%	0.1%
Scottsboro, AL Micropolitan Area	20,899	20,083	816	3.9%	3.7%	0.2%
Johnson City-Kingsport-Bristol, TN-VA CSA	**265,458**	**256,162**	**9,296**	**3.5%**	**3.8%**	**-0.3%**
Johnson City, TN MSA	99,574	96,352	3,222	3.2%	3.6%	-0.4%
Kingsport-Bristol, TN-VA	137,151	132,359	4,792	3.5%	3.7%	-0.2%
Greeneville, TN Micropolitan Area (Greene Co.)	28,733	27,451	1,282	4.5%	4.9%	-0.4%
Knoxville-Morristown-Sevierville CSA	**588,575**	**571,255**	**17,320**	**2.9%**	**3.3%**	**-0.4%**
Knoxville, TN MSA	466,620	453,058	13,562	2.9%	3.2%	-0.3%
Morristown, TN MSA	53,768	52,000	1,768	3.3%	3.7%	-0.4%
Newport Micropolitan Area (Cocke Co.)	14,883	14,312	571	3.8%	4.3%	-0.5%
Sevierville Micropolitan Area (Sevier Co.)	53,304	51,885	1,419	2.7%	2.9%	-0.2%
Memphis-Clarksdale-Forrest City, TN-MS-AR CSA	**644,464**	**617,652**	**26,812**	**4.2%**	**4.6%**	**-0.4%**
Clarksdale, MS Micropolitan Area	6,551	6,161	390	6.0%	6.3%	-0.3%
Forrest City, AR Micropolitan Area	7,762	7,353	409	5.3%	5.1%	0.2%
Memphis, TN-MS-AR MSA	630,151	604,138	26,013	4.1%	4.6%	-0.5%
Nashville-Davidson--Murfreesboro, TN CSA	**1,309,772**	**1,272,342**	**37,430**	**2.9%**	**3.2%**	**-0.3%**
Lawrenceburg, TN Micropolitan Area (Lawrence Co.)	19,218	18,498	720	3.7%	4.3%	-0.6%
Lewisburg, TN Micropolitan Area (Marshall Co.)	17,087	16,474	613	3.6%	4.1%	-0.5%
Nashville-Davidson--Murfreesboro--Franklin, TN MSA	1,200,637	1,166,998	33,639	2.8%	3.1%	-0.3%
Shelbyville, TN Micropolitan Area (Bedford Co.)	24,672	23,876	796	3.2%	3.6%	-0.4%
Tullahoma-Manchester, TN Micropolitan Area	29,978	28,970	1,008	3.4%	3.7%	-0.3%
Winchester, TN Micropolitan Area (Franklin Co.)	18,180	17,526	654	3.6%	4.0%	-0.4%
Union City-Martin, TN CSA	**27,754**	**26,755**	**999**	**3.6%**	**4.1%**	**-0.5%**
Martin, TN Micropolitan Area (Weakley Co.)	14,102	13,542	560	4.0%	4.7%	-0.7%
Union City, TN Micropolitan Area (Obion Co.)	13,652	13,213	439	3.2%	3.6%	-0.4%

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Labor Force Estimates - Metropolitan Statistical Areas

Metropolitan Statistical Area	September 2026				August 2026		September 2025	
	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Rate	Rate	Change	Rate	Change
Chattanooga, TN-GA MSA	**297,137**	**287,690**	**9,447**	**3.2%**	**3.4%**	**-0.2%**	**3.3%**	**-0.1%**
Hamilton County	200,733	194,501	6,232	3.1%	3.5%	-0.4%	3.4%	-0.3%
Marion County	12,698	12,232	466	3.7%	3.9%	-0.2%	4.0%	-0.3%
Sequatchie County	7,024	6,784	240	3.4%	3.9%	-0.5%	4.0%	-0.6%
Georgia Portion	76,682	74,173	2,509	3.3%	3.2%	0.1%	3.1%	0.2%
Clarksville, TN-KY MSA	**142,731**	**136,967**	**5,764**	**4.0%**	**4.3%**	**-0.3%**	**4.1%**	**-0.1%**
Montgomery County	106,738	102,920	3,818	3.6%	4.0%	-0.4%	3.8%	-0.2%
Stewart County	6,028	5,800	228	3.8%	4.3%	-0.5%	3.7%	0.1%
Kentucky Portion	29,965	28,247	1,718	5.7%	5.2%	0.5%	5.2%	0.5%
Cleveland, TN MSA	**56,597**	**54,593**	**2,004**	**3.5%**	**4.0%**	**-0.5%**	**3.9%**	**-0.4%**
Bradley County	49,222	47,473	1,749	3.6%	4.0%	-0.4%	3.9%	-0.3%
Polk County	7,375	7,120	255	3.5%	3.7%	-0.2%	3.9%	-0.4%
Jackson, TN MSA	**80,818**	**77,849**	**2,969**	**3.7%**	**4.2%**	**-0.5%**	**3.9%**	**-0.2%**
Chester County	7,174	6,890	284	4.0%	4.5%	-0.5%	4.2%	-0.2%
Crockett County	6,449	6,250	199	3.1%	3.3%	-0.2%	3.5%	-0.4%
Gibson County	21,871	21,107	764	3.5%	4.0%	-0.5%	4.0%	-0.5%
Madison County	45,324	43,602	1,722	3.8%	4.3%	-0.5%	4.0%	-0.2%
Johnson City, TN MSA	**99,574**	**96,352**	**3,222**	**3.2%**	**3.6%**	**-0.4%**	**3.5%**	**-0.3%**
Carter County	23,996	23,155	841	3.5%	3.9%	-0.4%	3.9%	-0.4%
Unicoi County	7,781	7,532	249	3.2%	3.6%	-0.4%	4.0%	-0.8%
Washington County	67,797	65,665	2,132	3.1%	3.5%	-0.4%	3.3%	-0.2%
Kingsport-Bristol, TN-VA MSA	**137,151**	**132,359**	**4,792**	**3.5%**	**3.7%**	**-0.2%**	**3.6%**	**-0.1%**
Hawkins County	23,476	22,612	864	3.7%	4.0%	-0.3%	3.9%	-0.2%
Sullivan County	73,504	71,127	2,377	3.2%	3.5%	-0.3%	3.6%	-0.4%
Virginia Portion	40,171	38,620	1,551	3.9%	3.7%	0.2%	3.5%	0.4%
Knoxville, TN MSA	**466,620**	**453,058**	**13,562**	**2.9%**	**3.2%**	**-0.3%**	**3.2%**	**-0.3%**
Anderson County	36,422	35,290	1,132	3.1%	3.5%	-0.4%	3.4%	-0.3%
Blount County	70,218	68,247	1,971	2.8%	3.1%	-0.3%	3.0%	-0.2%
Campbell County	16,636	16,069	567	3.4%	3.8%	-0.4%	3.6%	-0.2%
Grainger County	10,763	10,415	348	3.2%	3.6%	-0.4%	3.5%	-0.3%
Knox County	262,224	254,910	7,314	2.8%	3.2%	-0.4%	3.0%	-0.2%
Loudon County	28,033	27,232	801	2.9%	3.1%	-0.2%	3.3%	-0.4%
Morgan County	8,266	7,955	311	3.8%	4.2%	-0.4%	3.9%	-0.1%
Roane County	24,827	24,016	811	3.3%	3.6%	-0.3%	3.7%	-0.4%
Union County	9,231	8,924	307	3.3%	3.6%	-0.3%	3.5%	-0.2%
Memphis, TN-MS-AR MSA	**630,151**	**604,138**	**26,013**	**4.1%**	**4.6%**	**-0.5%**	**4.3%**	**-0.2%**
Fayette County	20,909	20,198	711	3.4%	3.7%	-0.3%	3.6%	-0.2%
Shelby County	429,264	410,310	18,954	4.4%	5.0%	-0.6%	4.6%	-0.2%
Tipton County	28,361	27,347	1,014	3.6%	3.9%	-0.3%	3.8%	-0.2%
Arkansas Portion	20,886	19,923	963	4.6%	4.9%	-0.3%	5.7%	-1.1%
Mississippi Portion	130,731	126,360	4,371	3.3%	3.3%	0.0%	3.6%	-0.3%
Morristown, TN MSA	**53,768**	**52,000**	**1,768**	**3.3%**	**3.7%**	**-0.4%**	**3.7%**	**-0.4%**
Hamblen County	27,519	26,570	949	3.4%	3.8%	-0.4%	3.8%	-0.4%
Jefferson County	26,249	25,430	819	3.1%	3.5%	-0.4%	3.5%	-0.4%
Nashville, TN MSA	**1,200,637**	**1,166,998**	**33,639**	**2.8%**	**3.1%**	**-0.3%**	**3.0%**	**-0.2%**
Cannon County	7,047	6,846	201	2.9%	3.1%	-0.2%	3.1%	-0.2%
Cheatham County	22,949	22,339	610	2.7%	2.9%	-0.2%	2.9%	-0.2%
Davidson County	431,539	419,387	12,152	2.8%	3.1%	-0.3%	3.0%	-0.2%
Dickson County	29,653	28,839	814	2.7%	3.0%	-0.3%	3.0%	-0.3%
Hickman County	11,741	11,358	383	3.3%	3.6%	-0.3%	3.2%	0.1%
Macon County	13,732	13,363	369	2.7%	3.0%	-0.3%	3.0%	-0.3%
Maury County	60,697	58,434	2,263	3.7%	4.1%	-0.4%	3.1%	0.6%
Robertson County	41,244	40,104	1,140	2.8%	3.0%	-0.2%	3.1%	-0.3%
Rutherford County	214,456	208,675	5,781	2.7%	3.1%	-0.4%	3.0%	-0.3%
Smith County	10,324	10,029	295	2.9%	3.2%	-0.3%	3.3%	-0.4%
Sumner County	115,407	112,227	3,180	2.8%	3.1%	-0.3%	3.0%	-0.2%
Trousdale County	5,727	5,574	153	2.7%	3.1%	-0.4%	3.1%	-0.4%
Williamson County	144,926	141,085	3,841	2.7%	3.0%	-0.3%	2.8%	-0.1%
Wilson County	91,195	88,738	2,457	2.7%	3.0%	-0.3%	3.0%	-0.3%

Labor Force Estimates - Micropolitan Statistical Areas

Micropolitan Statistical Area	September 2026				August 2026		September 2025	
	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Rate	Rate	Change	Rate	Change
Athens Micropolitan Area	25,372	24,295	1,077	**4.2%**	4.7%	-0.5%	4.4%	-0.2%
McMinn County	20,684	19,824	860	4.2%	4.7%	-0.5%	4.3%	-0.1%
Meigs County	4,688	4,471	217	4.6%	5.0%	-0.4%	4.9%	-0.3%
Cookeville Micropolitan Area	66,175	63,952	2,223	**3.4%**	3.8%	-0.4%	3.7%	-0.3%
Jackson County	4,998	4,812	186	3.7%	4.0%	-0.3%	4.0%	-0.3%
Overton County	10,999	10,635	364	3.3%	3.6%	-0.3%	3.3%	0.0%
Putnam County	38,973	37,710	1,263	3.2%	3.7%	-0.5%	3.6%	-0.4%
White County	11,205	10,795	410	3.7%	4.1%	-0.4%	4.2%	-0.5%
Crossville Micropolitan Area (Cumberland Co.)	24,032	23,125	907	**3.8%**	4.1%	-0.3%	4.3%	-0.5%
Dyersburg Micropolitan Area (Dyer Co,)	18,085	17,538	547	**3.0%**	3.4%	-0.4%	3.5%	-0.5%
Fayetteville Micropolitan Area (Lincoln Co.)	16,704	16,140	564	**3.4%**	3.9%	-0.5%	3.8%	-0.4%
Greeneville Micropolitan Area (Greene Co.)	28,733	27,451	1,282	**4.5%**	4.9%	-0.4%	4.6%	-0.1%
Lawrenceburg Micropolitan Area (Lawrence Co.)	19,218	18,498	720	**3.7%**	4.3%	-0.6%	4.0%	-0.3%
Lewisburg Micropolitan Area (Marshall Co.)	17,087	16,474	613	**3.6%**	4.1%	-0.5%	3.5%	0.1%
Martin Micropolitan Area (Weakley Co.)	14,102	13,542	560	**4.0%**	4.7%	-0.7%	4.0%	0.0%
McMinnville Micropolitan Area (Warren Co.)	17,778	17,152	626	**3.5%**	3.9%	-0.4%	4.0%	-0.5%
Newport Micropolitan Area (Cocke Co.)	14,883	14,312	571	**3.8%**	4.3%	-0.5%	4.5%	-0.7%
Paris Micropolitan Area (Henry Co.)	13,035	12,519	516	**4.0%**	4.4%	-0.4%	4.0%	0.0%
Sevierville Micropolitan Area (Sevier Co.)	53,304	51,885	1,419	**2.7%**	2.9%	-0.2%	2.9%	-0.2%
Shelbyville Micropolitan Area (Bedford Co.)	24,672	23,876	796	**3.2%**	3.6%	-0.4%	3.6%	-0.4%
Tullahoma-Manchester, TN Micropolitan Area	29,978	28,970	1,008	**3.4%**	3.7%	-0.3%	3.6%	-0.2%
Coffee County	26,972	26,067	905	3.4%	3.7%	-0.3%	3.6%	-0.2%
Moore County	3,006	2,903	103	3.4%	3.9%	-0.5%	3.4%	0.0%
Union City Micropolitan Area (Obion Co.)	13,652	13,213	439	**3.2%**	3.6%	-0.4%	3.6%	-0.4%
Winchester Micropolitan Area (Franklin Co.)	18,180	17,526	654	**3.6%**	4.0%	-0.4%	4.1%	-0.5%

*Micropolitan Statistical Areas are a county or counties with an urbanized area having a population between 10,000 and 50,000

Labor Force Estimates - Tennessee Counties

County	September 2026				August 2026		September 2025	
	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Rate	Rate	Change	Rate	Change
Anderson County	36,422	35,290	1,132	**3.1%**	3.5%	-0.4%	3.4%	-0.3%
Bedford County	24,672	23,876	796	**3.2%**	3.6%	-0.4%	3.6%	-0.4%
Benton County	6,100	5,841	259	**4.2%**	4.7%	-0.5%	4.4%	-0.2%
Bledsoe County	6,652	6,469	183	**2.8%**	3.1%	-0.3%	3.3%	-0.5%
Blount County	70,218	68,247	1,971	**2.8%**	3.1%	-0.3%	3.0%	-0.2%
Bradley County	49,222	47,473	1,749	**3.6%**	4.0%	-0.4%	3.9%	-0.3%
Campbell County	16,636	16,069	567	**3.4%**	3.8%	-0.4%	3.6%	-0.2%
Cannon County	7,047	6,846	201	**2.9%**	3.1%	-0.2%	3.1%	-0.2%
Carroll County	12,440	11,958	482	**3.9%**	4.3%	-0.4%	4.2%	-0.3%
Carter County	23,996	23,155	841	**3.5%**	3.9%	-0.4%	3.9%	-0.4%
Cheatham County	22,949	22,339	610	**2.7%**	2.9%	-0.2%	2.9%	-0.2%
Chester County	7,174	6,890	284	**4.0%**	4.5%	-0.5%	4.2%	-0.2%
Claiborne County	12,942	12,493	449	**3.5%**	3.9%	-0.4%	4.0%	-0.5%
Clay County	3,150	3,042	108	**3.4%**	3.8%	-0.4%	4.4%	-1.0%
Cocke County	14,883	14,312	571	**3.8%**	4.3%	-0.5%	4.5%	-0.7%
Coffee County	26,972	26,067	905	**3.4%**	3.7%	-0.3%	3.6%	-0.2%
Crockett County	6,449	6,250	199	**3.1%**	3.3%	-0.2%	3.5%	-0.4%
Cumberland County	24,032	23,125	907	**3.8%**	4.1%	-0.3%	4.3%	-0.5%
Davidson County	431,539	419,387	12,152	**2.8%**	3.1%	-0.3%	3.0%	-0.2%
Decatur County	4,344	4,158	186	**4.3%**	4.7%	-0.4%	4.5%	-0.2%
DeKalb County	8,016	7,705	311	**3.9%**	4.2%	-0.3%	4.2%	-0.3%
Dickson County	29,653	28,839	814	**2.7%**	3.0%	-0.3%	3.0%	-0.3%
Dyer County	18,085	17,538	547	**3.0%**	3.4%	-0.4%	3.5%	-0.5%
Fayette County	20,909	20,198	711	**3.4%**	3.7%	-0.3%	3.6%	-0.2%
Fentress County	8,348	8,069	279	**3.3%**	3.5%	-0.2%	3.8%	-0.5%
Franklin County	18,180	17,526	654	**3.6%**	4.0%	-0.4%	4.1%	-0.5%
Gibson County	21,871	21,107	764	**3.5%**	4.0%	-0.5%	4.0%	-0.5%
Giles County	12,708	12,191	517	**4.1%**	4.4%	-0.3%	4.1%	0.0%
Grainger County	10,763	10,415	348	**3.2%**	3.6%	-0.4%	3.5%	-0.3%
Greene County	28,733	27,451	1,282	**4.5%**	4.9%	-0.4%	4.6%	-0.1%
Grundy County	5,366	5,173	193	**3.6%**	4.0%	-0.4%	4.3%	-0.7%
Hamblen County	27,519	26,570	949	**3.4%**	3.8%	-0.4%	3.8%	-0.4%
Hamilton County	200,733	194,501	6,232	**3.1%**	3.5%	-0.4%	3.4%	-0.3%
Hancock County	2,419	2,299	120	**5.0%**	5.5%	-0.5%	4.7%	0.3%
Hardeman County	8,598	8,201	397	**4.6%**	5.1%	-0.5%	5.1%	-0.5%
Hardin County	11,261	10,820	441	**3.9%**	4.4%	-0.5%	3.9%	0.0%
Hawkins County	23,476	22,612	864	**3.7%**	4.0%	-0.3%	3.9%	-0.2%
Haywood County	9,806	9,494	312	**3.2%**	3.5%	-0.3%	3.8%	-0.6%
Henderson County	11,735	11,313	422	**3.6%**	3.9%	-0.3%	4.1%	-0.5%
Henry County	13,035	12,519	516	**4.0%**	4.4%	-0.4%	4.0%	0.0%
Hickman County	11,741	11,358	383	**3.3%**	3.6%	-0.3%	3.2%	0.1%
Houston County	3,715	3,590	125	**3.4%**	3.6%	-0.2%	3.9%	-0.5%
Humphreys County	8,269	7,980	289	**3.5%**	3.8%	-0.3%	3.7%	-0.2%
Jackson County	4,998	4,812	186	**3.7%**	4.0%	-0.3%	4.0%	-0.3%
Jefferson County	26,249	25,430	819	**3.1%**	3.5%	-0.4%	3.5%	-0.4%
Johnson County	5,919	5,671	248	**4.2%**	4.4%	-0.2%	4.9%	-0.7%
Knox County	262,224	254,910	7,314	**2.8%**	3.2%	-0.4%	3.0%	-0.2%
Lake County	1,621	1,550	71	**4.4%**	4.8%	-0.4%	4.8%	-0.4%
Lauderdale County	9,020	8,612	408	**4.5%**	4.8%	-0.3%	4.8%	-0.3%
Lawrence County	19,218	18,498	720	**3.7%**	4.3%	-0.6%	4.0%	-0.3%
Lewis County	6,054	5,813	241	**4.0%**	4.5%	-0.5%	3.7%	0.3%
Lincoln County	16,704	16,140	564	**3.4%**	3.9%	-0.5%	3.8%	-0.4%
Loudon County	28,033	27,232	801	**2.9%**	3.1%	-0.2%	3.3%	-0.4%
McMinn County	20,684	19,824	860	**4.2%**	4.7%	-0.5%	4.3%	-0.1%
McNairy County	10,187	9,807	380	**3.7%**	4.2%	-0.5%	4.1%	-0.4%
Macon County	13,732	13,363	369	**2.7%**	3.0%	-0.3%	3.0%	-0.3%

Tennessee Counties (cont.)

County	September 2026				August 2026		September 2025	
	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Rate	Rate	Change	Rate	Change
Madison County	45,324	43,602	1,722	**3.8%**	4.3%	-0.5%	4.0%	-0.2%
Marion County	12,698	12,232	466	**3.7%**	3.9%	-0.2%	4.0%	-0.3%
Marshall County	17,087	16,474	613	**3.6%**	4.1%	-0.5%	3.5%	0.1%
Maury County	60,697	58,434	2,263	**3.7%**	4.1%	-0.4%	3.1%	0.6%
Meigs County	4,688	4,471	217	**4.6%**	5.0%	-0.4%	4.9%	-0.3%
Monroe County	19,265	18,596	669	**3.5%**	3.9%	-0.4%	3.9%	-0.4%
Montgomery County	106,738	102,920	3,818	**3.6%**	4.0%	-0.4%	3.8%	-0.2%
Moore County	3,006	2,903	103	**3.4%**	3.9%	-0.5%	3.4%	0.0%
Morgan County	8,266	7,955	311	**3.8%**	4.2%	-0.4%	3.9%	-0.1%
Obion County	13,652	13,213	439	**3.2%**	3.6%	-0.4%	3.6%	-0.4%
Overton County	10,999	10,635	364	**3.3%**	3.6%	-0.3%	3.3%	0.0%
Perry County	2,789	2,646	143	**5.1%**	5.5%	-0.4%	5.5%	-0.4%
Pickett County	1,696	1,622	74	**4.4%**	5.0%	-0.6%	4.6%	-0.2%
Polk County	7,375	7,120	255	**3.5%**	3.7%	-0.2%	3.9%	-0.4%
Putnam County	38,973	37,710	1,263	**3.2%**	3.7%	-0.5%	3.6%	-0.4%
Rhea County	14,983	14,405	578	**3.9%**	4.5%	-0.6%	4.1%	-0.2%
Roane County	24,827	24,016	811	**3.3%**	3.6%	-0.3%	3.7%	-0.4%
Robertson County	41,244	40,104	1,140	**2.8%**	3.0%	-0.2%	3.1%	-0.3%
Rutherford County	214,456	208,675	5,781	**2.7%**	3.1%	-0.4%	3.0%	-0.3%
Scott County	8,819	8,476	343	**3.9%**	4.4%	-0.5%	4.1%	-0.2%
Sequatchie County	7,024	6,784	240	**3.4%**	3.9%	-0.5%	4.0%	-0.6%
Sevier County	53,304	51,885	1,419	**2.7%**	2.9%	-0.2%	2.9%	-0.2%
Shelby County	429,264	410,310	18,954	**4.4%**	5.0%	-0.6%	4.6%	-0.2%
Smith County	10,324	10,029	295	**2.9%**	3.2%	-0.3%	3.3%	-0.4%
Stewart County	6,028	5,800	228	**3.8%**	4.3%	-0.5%	3.7%	0.1%
Sullivan County	73,504	71,127	2,377	**3.2%**	3.5%	-0.3%	3.6%	-0.4%
Sumner County	115,407	112,227	3,180	**2.8%**	3.1%	-0.3%	3.0%	-0.2%
Tipton County	28,361	27,347	1,014	**3.6%**	3.9%	-0.3%	3.8%	-0.2%
Trousdale County	5,727	5,574	153	**2.7%**	3.1%	-0.4%	3.1%	-0.4%
Unicoi County	7,781	7,532	249	**3.2%**	3.6%	-0.4%	4.0%	-0.8%
Union County	9,231	8,924	307	**3.3%**	3.6%	-0.3%	3.5%	-0.2%
Van Buren County	2,882	2,790	92	**3.2%**	3.4%	-0.2%	3.4%	-0.2%
Warren County	17,778	17,152	626	**3.5%**	3.9%	-0.4%	4.0%	-0.5%
Washington County	67,797	65,665	2,132	**3.1%**	3.5%	-0.4%	3.3%	-0.2%
Wayne County	6,711	6,480	231	**3.4%**	4.0%	-0.6%	3.7%	-0.3%
Weakley County	14,102	13,542	560	**4.0%**	4.7%	-0.7%	4.0%	0.0%
White County	11,205	10,795	410	**3.7%**	4.1%	-0.4%	4.2%	-0.5%
Williamson County	144,926	141,085	3,841	**2.7%**	3.0%	-0.3%	2.8%	-0.1%
Wilson County	91,195	88,738	2,457	**2.7%**	3.0%	-0.3%	3.0%	-0.3%

August 2026 to September 2026	
Rate Change	**# of Counties**
Increase	0
Decrease	95
Unchanged	0

September 2026	
Rate Level	**# of Counties**
Less than 5%	93
5% or greater, less than 10%	2
10% or greater	0
20% or greater	0

Labor Force Estimates - August 2026

Seasonally Adjusted	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Rate
United States	169,777,000	162,746,000	7,031,000	4.1%
Tennessee	3,486,095	3,366,476	119,619	3.4%

Not Seasonally Adjusted	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Rate
United States	170,048,000	162,667,000	7,381,000	4.3%
Tennessee	3,484,085	3,356,250	127,835	3.7%

Metropolitan Areas	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Rate
Chattanooga, TN-GA MSA	294,494	284,407	10,087	3.4%
Clarksville, TN-KY MSA	141,346	135,300	6,046	4.3%
Cleveland, TN MSA	55,933	53,721	2,212	4.0%
Jackson, TN MSA	80,832	77,477	3,355	4.2%
Johnson City, TN MSA	97,696	94,148	3,548	3.6%
Kingsport-Bristol, TN-VA MSA	136,456	131,464	4,992	3.7%
Knoxville, TN MSA	462,715	447,696	15,019	3.2%
Memphis, TN-MS-AR MSA	626,689	598,092	28,597	4.6%
Morristown, TN MSA	53,271	51,325	1,946	3.7%
Nashville, TN MSA	1,194,085	1,156,830	37,255	3.1%

Counties	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Rate
Anderson County	36,094	34,846	1,248	3.5%
Bedford County	24,644	23,756	888	3.6%
Benton County	6,026	5,745	281	4.7%
Bledsoe County	6,529	6,328	201	3.1%
Blount County	69,596	67,460	2,136	3.1%
Bradley County	48,650	46,707	1,943	4.0%
Campbell County	16,492	15,873	619	3.8%
Cannon County	7,017	6,800	217	3.1%
Carroll County	12,283	11,756	527	4.3%
Carter County	23,553	22,628	925	3.9%
Cheatham County	22,790	22,119	671	2.9%
Chester County	7,186	6,860	326	4.5%
Claiborne County	12,766	12,269	497	3.9%
Clay County	3,123	3,005	118	3.8%
Cocke County	14,811	14,180	631	4.3%
Coffee County	26,824	25,831	993	3.7%
Crockett County	6,429	6,216	213	3.3%
Cumberland County	23,970	22,978	992	4.1%
Davidson County	428,885	415,486	13,399	3.1%
Decatur County	4,340	4,135	205	4.7%
DeKalb County	7,931	7,600	331	4.2%
Dickson County	29,488	28,613	875	3.0%
Dyer County	17,986	17,376	610	3.4%
Fayette County	20,752	19,974	778	3.7%
Fentress County	8,315	8,025	290	3.5%
Franklin County	18,205	17,484	721	4.0%
Gibson County	21,885	21,013	872	4.0%
Giles County	12,674	12,113	561	4.4%
Grainger County	10,668	10,288	380	3.6%
Greene County	28,473	27,075	1,398	4.9%
Grundy County	5,272	5,062	210	4.0%
Hamblen County	27,254	26,223	1,031	3.8%
Hamilton County	199,412	192,472	6,940	3.5%
Hancock County	2,415	2,281	134	5.5%
Hardeman County	8,564	8,129	435	5.1%
Hardin County	11,194	10,697	497	4.4%

Counties (cont.)	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Rate
Hawkins County	23,350	22,417	933	4.0%
Haywood County	9,821	9,482	339	3.5%
Henderson County	11,686	11,227	459	3.9%
Henry County	13,019	12,445	574	4.4%
Hickman County	11,693	11,277	416	3.6%
Houston County	3,713	3,578	135	3.6%
Humphreys County	8,226	7,913	313	3.8%
Jackson County	4,935	4,738	197	4.0%
Jefferson County	26,017	25,102	915	3.5%
Johnson County	5,869	5,610	259	4.4%
Knox County	260,051	251,838	8,213	3.2%
Lake County	1,616	1,539	77	4.8%
Lauderdale County	9,030	8,596	434	4.8%
Lawrence County	19,096	18,283	813	4.3%
Lewis County	6,047	5,773	274	4.5%
Lincoln County	16,614	15,969	645	3.9%
Loudon County	27,834	26,970	864	3.1%
McMinn County	20,575	19,615	960	4.7%
McNairy County	10,165	9,740	425	4.2%
Macon County	13,699	13,293	406	3.0%
Madison County	45,332	43,388	1,944	4.3%
Marion County	12,581	12,086	495	3.9%
Marshall County	17,018	16,315	703	4.1%
Maury County	60,446	57,950	2,496	4.1%
Meigs County	4,617	4,387	230	5.0%
Monroe County	19,175	18,432	743	3.9%
Montgomery County	105,709	101,467	4,242	4.0%
Moore County	2,949	2,833	116	3.9%
Morgan County	8,211	7,869	342	4.2%
Obion County	13,607	13,122	485	3.6%
Overton County	10,768	10,381	387	3.6%
Perry County	2,729	2,579	150	5.5%
Pickett County	1,644	1,561	83	5.0%
Polk County	7,283	7,014	269	3.7%
Putnam County	38,322	36,901	1,421	3.7%
Rhea County	14,800	14,139	661	4.5%
Roane County	24,621	23,736	885	3.6%
Robertson County	41,034	39,783	1,251	3.0%
Rutherford County	213,571	207,057	6,514	3.1%
Scott County	8,791	8,408	383	4.4%
Sequatchie County	6,985	6,713	272	3.9%
Sevier County	53,219	51,680	1,539	2.9%
Shelby County	427,093	405,668	21,425	5.0%
Smith County	10,280	9,954	326	3.2%
Stewart County	5,960	5,702	258	4.3%
Sullivan County	73,012	70,430	2,582	3.5%
Sumner County	114,799	111,285	3,514	3.1%
Tipton County	28,163	27,065	1,098	3.9%
Trousdale County	5,707	5,531	176	3.1%
Unicoi County	7,638	7,364	274	3.6%
Union County	9,148	8,816	332	3.6%
Van Buren County	2,850	2,754	96	3.4%
Warren County	17,766	17,070	696	3.9%
Washington County	66,505	64,156	2,349	3.5%
Wayne County	6,563	6,301	262	4.0%
Weakley County	13,860	13,213	647	4.7%
White County	11,096	10,646	450	4.1%
Williamson County	143,905	139,628	4,277	3.0%
Wilson County	90,771	88,054	2,717	3.0%

Labor Force Estimates - Tennessee Cities

City	September 2026				August 2026		September 2025	
	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Rate	Rate	Change	Rate	Change
Bartlett	28,006	27,017	989	3.5%	3.9%	-0.4%	3.5%	0.0%
Brentwood	22,885	22,248	637	2.8%	3.2%	-0.4%	2.9%	-0.1%
Bristol	12,921	12,505	416	3.2%	3.4%	-0.2%	3.5%	-0.3%
Chattanooga	99,304	95,982	3,322	3.3%	3.8%	-0.5%	3.6%	-0.3%
Clarksville	79,047	76,068	2,979	3.8%	4.2%	-0.4%	4.1%	-0.3%
Cleveland	21,409	20,597	812	3.8%	4.0%	-0.2%	4.2%	-0.4%
Collierville	25,298	24,583	715	2.8%	3.2%	-0.4%	3.1%	-0.3%
Columbia	25,391	24,290	1,101	4.3%	4.6%	-0.3%	3.5%	0.8%
Cookeville	17,054	16,426	628	3.7%	4.2%	-0.5%	3.9%	-0.2%
Farragut	12,894	12,567	327	2.5%	2.8%	-0.3%	2.8%	-0.3%
Franklin	50,108	48,788	1,320	2.6%	2.9%	-0.3%	2.8%	-0.2%
Gallatin	27,812	26,969	843	3.0%	3.3%	-0.3%	3.1%	-0.1%
Germantown	18,367	17,800	567	3.1%	3.2%	-0.1%	3.0%	0.1%
Hendersonville	36,082	35,175	907	2.5%	2.9%	-0.4%	3.0%	-0.5%
Jackson	30,368	29,111	1,257	4.1%	4.7%	-0.6%	4.1%	0.0%
Johnson City	36,780	35,657	1,123	3.1%	3.4%	-0.3%	3.3%	-0.2%
Kingsport	24,902	24,038	864	3.5%	3.7%	-0.2%	3.9%	-0.4%
Knoxville	103,433	100,230	3,203	3.1%	3.5%	-0.4%	3.3%	-0.2%
La Vergne	23,273	22,638	635	2.7%	3.1%	-0.4%	2.9%	-0.2%
Lebanon	26,918	26,116	802	3.0%	3.3%	-0.3%	3.3%	-0.3%
Maryville	16,020	15,572	448	2.8%	3.2%	-0.4%	3.0%	-0.2%
Memphis	282,533	268,814	13,719	4.9%	5.6%	-0.7%	5.0%	-0.1%
Morristown	12,779	12,273	506	4.0%	4.1%	-0.1%	3.8%	0.2%
Mount Juliet	24,215	23,578	637	2.6%	2.8%	-0.2%	2.8%	-0.2%
Murfreesboro	98,576	95,850	2,726	2.8%	3.2%	-0.4%	3.1%	-0.3%
Nashville	431,539	419,387	12,152	2.8%	3.1%	-0.3%	3.0%	-0.2%
Oak Ridge	15,176	14,696	480	3.2%	3.5%	-0.3%	3.4%	-0.2%
Shelbyville	12,180	11,803	377	3.1%	3.5%	-0.4%	3.5%	-0.4%
Smyrna	34,119	33,207	912	2.7%	2.9%	-0.2%	2.9%	-0.2%
Spring Hill	33,645	32,643	1,002	3.0%	3.1%	-0.1%	2.7%	0.3%

* Cities have a population greater than 25,000

Labor Force Estimates - Local Workforce Development Areas (LWDA)

LWDA	September 2026				August 2026	
	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Rate	Rate	Change
Northeast	**233,625**	**225,512**	**8,113**	**3.5%**	**3.8%**	**-0.3%**
Carter County	23,996	23,155	841	3.5%	3.9%	-0.4%
Greene County	28,733	27,451	1,282	4.5%	4.9%	-0.4%
Hancock County	2,419	2,299	120	5.0%	5.5%	-0.5%
Hawkins County	23,476	22,612	864	3.7%	4.0%	-0.3%
Johnson County	5,919	5,671	248	4.2%	4.4%	-0.2%
Sullivan County	73,504	71,127	2,377	3.2%	3.5%	-0.3%
Unicoi County	7,781	7,532	249	3.2%	3.6%	-0.4%
Washington County	67,797	65,665	2,132	3.1%	3.5%	-0.4%
East	**629,601**	**610,820**	**18,781**	**3.0%**	**3.3%**	**-0.3%**
Anderson County	36,422	35,290	1,132	3.1%	3.5%	-0.4%
Blount County	70,218	68,247	1,971	2.8%	3.1%	-0.3%
Campbell County	16,636	16,069	567	3.4%	3.8%	-0.4%
Claiborne County	12,942	12,493	449	3.5%	3.9%	-0.4%
Cocke County	14,883	14,312	571	3.8%	4.3%	-0.5%
Grainger County	10,763	10,415	348	3.2%	3.6%	-0.4%
Hamblen County	27,519	26,570	949	3.4%	3.8%	-0.4%
Jefferson County	26,249	25,430	819	3.1%	3.5%	-0.4%
Knox County	262,224	254,910	7,314	2.8%	3.2%	-0.4%
Loudon County	28,033	27,232	801	2.9%	3.1%	-0.2%
Monroe County	19,265	18,596	669	3.5%	3.9%	-0.4%
Morgan County	8,266	7,955	311	3.8%	4.2%	-0.4%
Roane County	24,827	24,016	811	3.3%	3.6%	-0.3%
Scott County	8,819	8,476	343	3.9%	4.4%	-0.5%
Sevier County	53,304	51,885	1,419	2.7%	2.9%	-0.2%
Union County	9,231	8,924	307	3.3%	3.6%	-0.3%
Southeast	**329,425**	**318,452**	**10,973**	**3.3%**	**3.7%**	**-0.4%**
Bledsoe County	6,652	6,469	183	2.8%	3.1%	-0.3%
Bradley County	49,222	47,473	1,749	3.6%	4.0%	-0.4%
Grundy County	5,366	5,173	193	3.6%	4.0%	-0.4%
Hamilton County	200,733	194,501	6,232	3.1%	3.5%	-0.4%
Marion County	12,698	12,232	466	3.7%	3.9%	-0.2%
McMinn County	20,684	19,824	860	4.2%	4.7%	-0.5%
Meigs County	4,688	4,471	217	4.6%	5.0%	-0.4%
Polk County	7,375	7,120	255	3.5%	3.7%	-0.2%
Rhea County	14,983	14,405	578	3.9%	4.5%	-0.6%
Sequatchie County	7,024	6,784	240	3.4%	3.9%	-0.5%
Southern Middle	**226,539**	**218,406**	**8,133**	**3.6%**	**4.0%**	**-0.4%**
Bedford County	24,672	23,876	796	3.2%	3.6%	-0.4%
Coffee County	26,972	26,067	905	3.4%	3.7%	-0.3%
Franklin County	18,180	17,526	654	3.6%	4.0%	-0.4%
Giles County	12,708	12,191	517	4.1%	4.4%	-0.3%
Hickman County	11,741	11,358	383	3.3%	3.6%	-0.3%
Lawrence County	19,218	18,498	720	3.7%	4.3%	-0.6%
Lewis County	6,054	5,813	241	4.0%	4.5%	-0.5%
Lincoln County	16,704	16,140	564	3.4%	3.9%	-0.5%
Marshall County	17,087	16,474	613	3.6%	4.1%	-0.5%
Maury County	60,697	58,434	2,263	3.7%	4.1%	-0.4%
Moore County	3,006	2,903	103	3.4%	3.9%	-0.5%
Perry County	2,789	2,646	143	5.1%	5.5%	-0.4%
Wayne County	6,711	6,480	231	3.4%	4.0%	-0.6%

Local Workforce Development Areas (cont.)

LWDA	September 2026				August 2026	
	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Rate	Rate	Change
Upper Cumberland	**163,180**	**157,695**	**5,485**	**3.4%**	**3.7%**	**-0.3%**
Cannon County	7,047	6,846	201	2.9%	3.1%	-0.2%
Clay County	3,150	3,042	108	3.4%	3.8%	-0.4%
Cumberland County	24,032	23,125	907	3.8%	4.1%	-0.3%
DeKalb County	8,016	7,705	311	3.9%	4.2%	-0.3%
Fentress County	8,348	8,069	279	3.3%	3.5%	-0.2%
Jackson County	4,998	4,812	186	3.7%	4.0%	-0.3%
Macon County	13,732	13,363	369	2.7%	3.0%	-0.3%
Overton County	10,999	10,635	364	3.3%	3.6%	-0.3%
Pickett County	1,696	1,622	74	4.4%	5.0%	-0.6%
Putnam County	38,973	37,710	1,263	3.2%	3.7%	-0.5%
Smith County	10,324	10,029	295	2.9%	3.2%	-0.3%
Van Buren County	2,882	2,790	92	3.2%	3.4%	-0.2%
Warren County	17,778	17,152	626	3.5%	3.9%	-0.4%
White County	11,205	10,795	410	3.7%	4.1%	-0.4%
Northern Middle	**1,221,846**	**1,187,258**	**34,588**	**2.8%**	**3.2%**	**-0.4%**
Cheatham County	22,949	22,339	610	2.7%	2.9%	-0.2%
Davidson County	431,539	419,387	12,152	2.8%	3.1%	-0.3%
Dickson County	29,653	28,839	814	2.7%	3.0%	-0.3%
Houston County	3,715	3,590	125	3.4%	3.6%	-0.2%
Humphreys County	8,269	7,980	289	3.5%	3.8%	-0.3%
Montgomery County	106,738	102,920	3,818	3.6%	4.0%	-0.4%
Robertson County	41,244	40,104	1,140	2.8%	3.0%	-0.2%
Rutherford County	214,456	208,675	5,781	2.7%	3.1%	-0.4%
Stewart County	6,028	5,800	228	3.8%	4.3%	-0.5%
Sumner County	115,407	112,227	3,180	2.8%	3.1%	-0.3%
Trousdale County	5,727	5,574	153	2.7%	3.1%	-0.4%
Williamson County	144,926	141,085	3,841	2.7%	3.0%	-0.3%
Wilson County	91,195	88,738	2,457	2.7%	3.0%	-0.3%
Northwest	**107,355**	**103,518**	**3,837**	**3.6%**	**4.0%**	**-0.4%**
Benton County	6,100	5,841	259	4.2%	4.7%	-0.5%
Carroll County	12,440	11,958	482	3.9%	4.3%	-0.4%
Crockett County	6,449	6,250	199	3.1%	3.3%	-0.2%
Dyer County	18,085	17,538	547	3.0%	3.4%	-0.4%
Gibson County	21,871	21,107	764	3.5%	4.0%	-0.5%
Henry County	13,035	12,519	516	4.0%	4.4%	-0.4%
Lake County	1,621	1,550	71	4.4%	4.8%	-0.4%
Obion County	13,652	13,213	439	3.2%	3.6%	-0.4%
Weakley County	14,102	13,542	560	4.0%	4.7%	-0.7%
Southwest	**108,429**	**104,285**	**4,144**	**3.8%**	**4.3%**	**-0.5%**
Chester County	7,174	6,890	284	4.0%	4.5%	-0.5%
Decatur County	4,344	4,158	186	4.3%	4.7%	-0.4%
Hardeman County	8,598	8,201	397	4.6%	5.1%	-0.5%
Hardin County	11,261	10,820	441	3.9%	4.4%	-0.5%
Haywood County	9,806	9,494	312	3.2%	3.5%	-0.3%
Henderson County	11,735	11,313	422	3.6%	3.9%	-0.3%
Madison County	45,324	43,602	1,722	3.8%	4.3%	-0.5%
McNairy County	10,187	9,807	380	3.7%	4.2%	-0.5%
Greater Memphis	**487,554**	**466,467**	**21,087**	**4.3%**	**4.9%**	**-0.6%**
Fayette County	20,909	20,198	711	3.4%	3.7%	-0.3%
Lauderdale County	9,020	8,612	408	4.5%	4.8%	-0.3%
Shelby County	429,264	410,310	18,954	4.4%	5.0%	-0.6%
Tipton County	28,361	27,347	1,014	3.6%	3.9%	-0.3%

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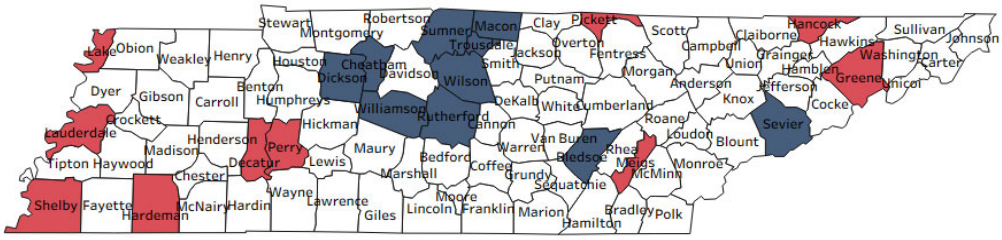

Lowest County Unemployment Rates

Rank	County	September 2026
1	Williamson	2.7%
2	Cheatham	2.7%
3	Sevier	2.7%
4	Trousdale	2.7%
5	Macon	2.7%
6	Wilson	2.7%
7	Rutherford	2.7%
8	Dickson	2.7%
9	Bledsoe	2.8%
10	Sumner	2.8%

Highest County Unemployment Rates

Rank	County	September 2026
95	Perry	5.1%
94	Hancock	5.0%
93	Meigs	4.6%
92	Hardeman	4.6%
91	Lauderdale	4.5%
90	Greene	4.5%
89	Shelby	4.4%
88	Lake	4.4%
87	Pickett	4.4%
86	Decatur	4.3%