

Unemployment Increases in SE Nebraska

**(KLZA)-- The preliminary unemployment figure for January in Nebraska was 3.3 percent, down from 3.4 percent in December.**

**In Southeast Nebraska, the unemployment figures for January were considerably higher than the previous month.**

**Nemaha County, Nebraska had the biggest jump in unemployment, up 9-tenths to 4.9 percent for January. Unemployment was up 7-tenths of a point in Richardson, Johnson and Gage counties. The rates were 4.3 percent in Richardson and Johnson Counties and 4.2 percent in Gage County.**

**Unemployment went up half-a-percentage point in January to 3.2 percent in Pawnee County and 4.1 percent in Otoe County.**

**Statewide the unemployment rate of 3.3 percent is well below the national figures of 4.8 percent.**

**Nebraska non-farm employment remained above 1 million in January.**

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