

SE Nebraska May Unemployment Figures

(KLZA)-- Nebraska continues to have one of the best unemployment rates in the nation.

For the month of May, unemployment in Nebraska dropped a tenth of a point to 2.9 percent.

Locally, Pawnee County has the lowest unemployment rate at 2.7 percent, despite an increase of two-tenths of a percent in May.

Johnson County had a tenth of a percent decline to 2.9 percent.

The May unemployment rate in Richardson County was up a tenth to 3.1 percent. Nemaha County, Nebraska has the highest unemployment figure in the area at 4.1 percent, which is up 4 tenths.

Unemployment figures were unchanged for the month in both Gage and Otoe counties. The rate in Gage County was three percent and in Otoe County the May rate was 3.2 percent

Colorado has the best unemployment rate in the country in May at 2.3 percent. North Dakota is second at 2.5 percent followed by a 2.7 percent rate in Hawaii. Nebraska, New Hampshire and South Dakota are tied for fourth at 2.9 percent. Iowa is seventh at 3.1 percent. Kansas 16th at 3.7 percent and Missouri is 19th with a jobless rate of 3.9 percent.

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