

## Unemployment rates

	MARCH 2008	PERCENTAGE POINT CHANGE FROM MARCH 2007
United States	5.1%	0.7
Illinois	5.5%	0.9
Winnebago County	7.5%	1.8
Boone County	10.0%	2.7
Ogle County	7.7%	1.9
Rockford	8.4%	2.1
Freeport	6.7%	0.9
Bloomington-Normal	4.3%	0.8
Champaign-Urbana	4.6%	0.8
Chicago	5.5%	1.1
Kankakee	7.7%	1.2
Peoria-Pekin	5.0%	0.8
Springfield	5.0%	0.7

Note: Rates are preliminary and not seasonally adjusted.

Source: Illinois Department of Employment Security

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