



**Selected Economic Characteristics
2011-2015 ACS 5-Year Estimates
Employment Status**

	# 16 years old or older	Number in Labor Force	Number Employed	Number Unemployed	Jobless Rate ¹	February 2017 Jobless Rate ²
Alcona	9,326	3,745	3,288	457	12.2	9.6
Alpena	24,085	13,490	12,233	1,257	9.3	7.4
Arenac	12,939	6,326	5,569	757	12.0	11.9
Cheboygan	21,649	11,642	10,029	1,613	13.9	20.0
Crawford	11,642	5,907	5,197	710	12.0	8.9
Iosco	21,707	9,988	8,780	1,208	12.1	10.1
Montmorency	8,130	3,495	2,937	558	16.0	14.1
Ogemaw	17,743	8,745	7,661	1,084	12.4	10.7
Oscoda	7,036	3,216	2,792	424	13.2	8.8
Otsego	19,646	11,688	10,733	955	8.2	7.1
Presque Isle	11,185	5,164	4,490	674	13.1	15.6
Total	165,088	83,406	73,709	9,697	11.6	11.0
Roscommon	20,872	8,812	7,563	1,249	14.2	12.0
Total	185,960	92,218	81,272	11,249	12.2	11.1
Michigan	7,925,988	4,851,264	4,373,518	477,746	9.8	5.7
United States	251,221,309	158,897,824	145,747,779	13,150,045	8.3	4.7

Sources: U. S. Census Bureau, Selected Economic Characteristics, American Community Survey, 5-Year Estimates, Employment Status² MDLEG Michigan Department of Labor and Economic Growth

Notes: ¹ Also known as Unemployment rate (but not by the Census)

Analysis: In February 2017, Michigan counties were ranked from best to worst for unemployment rates. Of the ten in the bottom, six were from northeast Michigan. These are Cheboygan (82nd); Presque Isle (81st), Montmorency, (80th), Roscommon (78th), Arenac (77th), and Ogemaw (74th). Of the 12 counties with double digit unemployment, 7 were in the northeast region. All were in the bottom half. The county with the best unemployment rate is Otsego, ranking 42nd with a rate of 7.1 followed by Alpena at 47th with 7.4%.