

Head Start/Early Head Start Community Assessment Update

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Unemployment Rate



Labor Force, Employment and Unemployment for Multiple Areas in November, 2018

Labor Force Table

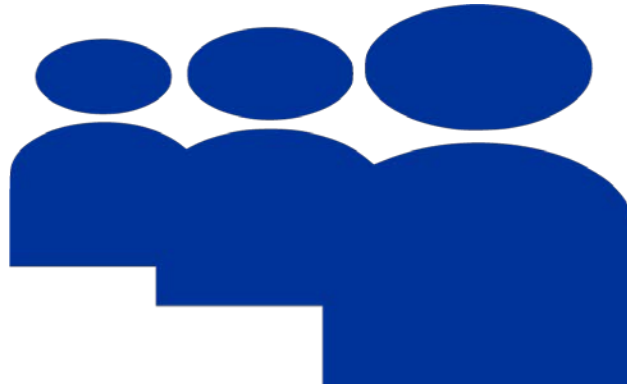
The table below shows the monthly not seasonally adjusted Labor Force, Employment and Unemployment data for Multiple Areas in November, 2018.

Area	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Unemployment Rate
Bedford	21,000	20,270	730	3.5%
Coffee	25,660	24,810	850	3.3%
Franklin	20,120	19,470	650	3.2%
Giles	15,830	15,300	530	3.3%
Hickman	11,120	10,770	350	3.1%
Lawrence	18,090	17,400	700	3.8%
Lewis	5,110	4,910	190	3.8%
Lincoln	16,530	16,030	500	3.0%
Marshall	15,940	15,430	510	3.2%
Maury	47,070	45,720	1,350	2.9%
Moore	3,620	3,520	100	2.7%
Perry	3,320	3,190	140	4.1%
Wayne	6,130	5,870	260	4.2%

Source: US Census Bureau Downloaded: 02/11/2019

Wayne County is ranked 26th in the state with the highest unemployment rate, with Perry ranked at 32nd highest in the state. Lauderdale County is not in our service area, but their unemployment rate is 5.8% which makes it the highest in the state. Moore County is ranked 90th in the state, with only 5 other counties having a lower unemployment rate. Williamson County's unemployment rate is 2.5%, the lowest in the state.

Population



2017 Population Estimates

	Census	Estimates Base	Population Estimate (as of July 1)							
			2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Bedford	45,058	45,056	45,086	45,227	45,262	45,584	46,259	46,892	47,420	48,117
Coffee	52,796	52,800	52,770	52,909	53,144	53,295	53,521	54,094	54,428	55,034
Franklin	41,052	41,064	40,961	40,818	40,678	41,173	41,268	41,324	41,567	41,652
Giles	29,485	29,489	29,420	29,326	28,969	28,806	28,824	28,950	29,140	29,401
Hickman	24,690	24,689	24,647	24,360	24,191	24,202	24,431	24,366	24,649	24,864
Lawrence	41,869	41,851	41,967	42,064	42,073	41,921	42,210	42,449	42,979	43,396
Lewis	12,161	12,171	12,174	12,145	11,941	11,993	11,896	11,883	11,912	12,035
Lincoln	33,361	33,350	33,379	33,372	33,365	33,474	33,409	33,554	33,528	33,751
Marshall	30,617	30,606	30,681	30,840	30,915	31,070	31,250	31,543	31,973	32,931
Maury	80,956	80,930	81,174	81,470	81,981	83,542	85,345	87,390	89,588	92,163
Moore	6,362	6,345	6,333	6,373	6,310	6,280	6,298	6,256	6,293	6,384
Perry	7,915	7,928	7,938	7,861	7,848	7,878	7,819	7,848	7,892	7,975
Wayne	17,021	17,027	16,987	16,942	16,918	16,850	16,788	16,677	16,665	16,583

Annual Estimates of the Resident Population: April 1, 2010 to July 1, 2017

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Population Division

Release Dates: For the United States, regions, divisions, states, and Puerto Rico Commonwealth, December 2017. For counties, municipals, metropolitan statistical areas, micropolitan statistical areas, metropolitan divisions, and combined statistical areas, March 2018. For cities and towns (incorporated places and minor civil divisions), May 2018.

The only county showing negative growth is Perry with Marshall and Maury counties showing the largest growth between 2016 and 2017.

Designated Qualified Opportunity Zones

The IRS designates "An Opportunity Zone as an economically-distressed community where new investments, under certain conditions, may be eligible for preferential tax treatment. Localities qualify as Opportunity Zones if they have been nominated for that designation by the state and that nomination has been certified by the Secretary of the U.S. Treasury via his delegation of authority to the Internal Revenue Service." Six out of thirteen counties have been designated as opportunity zones. These counties are Bedford, Hickman, Lawrence, Lincoln, Marshall and Wayne. Being designated as Opportunity Zones will likely impact the community planning or at least open up planning discussions.

Poverty Status for Children under 5 years old:

County	Number of Children
Bedford	809
Coffee	863
Franklin	396
Giles	409
Hickman	265
Lawrence	906
Lewis	308
Lincoln	632
Marshall	330
Maury	1108
Moore	21
Perry	297
Wayne	332



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2013-2017 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

According to the Child Welfare League of America Tennessee's state poverty rate is 16.7% while 28% of the children under five are experiencing poverty. The Department of Children's Services 2016-17 report reflects that 236 children birth to age four were in State custody for the South Central Service area.

Children In Foster Care



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According to the Department of Children's Services 2016-17 annual report there are 236 children under age four in our South Central Area. We have enrolled 12 foster children during the 2018-19 program year. During the 2017-18 program year, we enrolled 10 foster children. In 2016-17, our foster child enrollment was at five children. There is a positive trend, but the numbers should reflect a higher percentage of enrollees. Barriers the program is facing include communication with foster families about HS/EHS enrollment; being fully enrolled when a foster child applies means that child must be put on the waiting list and often foster families find alternative child care before a slot opens. Data is difficult to gather because of the sensitive nature of the situation, so the program depends on the Department of Children's Services for referrals.