

## UNEMPLOYMENT TRENDS FOR MERRIMACK VALLEY SERVICE DELIVERY AREA

(Three Year Comparison)

(Previous Five Months)

Major Labor Area	(Three Year Comparison)			(Previous Five Months)					
	December 2017	December 2016	December 2015	December 2017	November 2017	October 2017	September 2017	August 2017	July 2017
Massachusetts	3.1	2.9	4.7	3.1	3.3	3.3	3.5	3.7	4.4
National	3.9	4.6	5.0	3.9	3.9	3.9	4.1	4.5	4.6
Lawrence/ NH NECTA Division	4.2	3.6	6.2	4.2	4.4	4.4	4.7	4.9	5.4
Lower Merrimack Valley (WDA)	3.5	2.9	5.3	3.5	3.7	3.7	3.9	4.1	4.7
Amesbury	2.6	2.1	3.9	2.6	2.6	2.7	2.7	2.9	3.4
Andover	2.5	2.2	3.5	2.5	2.8	2.9	3.0	3.1	3.6
Boxford	2.3	1.6	2.9	2.3	2.6	2.5	2.6	2.9	3.3
Georgetown	2.4	2.0	3.5	2.4	2.5	2.6	3.0	3.1	3.5
Groveland	2.0	1.7	3.4	2.0	2.1	2.3	2.8	3.0	3.6
Haverhill	3.3	2.7	5.1	3.3	3.4	3.4	3.6	3.8	4.4
Lawrence	6.0	4.9	9.3	6.0	6.1	6.2	6.6	6.8	7.5
Merrimac	2.4	2.1	3.8	2.4	2.7	2.6	2.7	3.1	3.8
Methuen	3.5	2.9	5.1	3.5	3.6	3.7	4.0	4.1	4.7
Newbury	2.6	2.3	4.5	2.6	2.8	2.8	3.0	3.3	3.9
Newburyport	2.6	2.1	3.7	2.6	2.9	2.9	3.1	3.1	3.4
North Andover	2.6	2.2	3.7	2.6	2.9	3.0	3.3	3.4	4.1
Rowley	2.8	2.0	4.2	2.8	2.8	2.7	2.9	3.0	3.5
Salisbury	3.0	2.6	4.5	3.0	3.0	2.9	3.1	3.3	3.9
West Newbury	2.3	2.1	3.6	2.3	2.5	2.7	2.7	2.9	3.5

## UNEMPLOYMENT TRENDS FOR NORTHERN MIDDLESEX SERVICE DELIVERY AREA

(Three Year Comparison)

(Previous Six Months)

Major Labor Area	(Three Year Comparison)			(Previous Six Months)						
	December 2017	December 2016	December 2015	December 2017	November 2017	October 2017	September 2017	August 2017	July 2017	June 2017
Massachusetts	3.1	2.9	4.7	3.1	3.3	3.3	3.5	3.7	4.4	4.4
National	3.9	4.6	5.0	3.9	3.9	3.9	4.1	4.5	4.6	4.5
Lowell/NH LMA NECTA Division	3.1	2.7	4.7	3.1	3.3	3.3	3.5	3.8	4.4	4.4
Greater Lowell (WDA)	3.1	2.7	4.8	3.1	3.3	3.4	3.6	3.9	4.5	4.5
Billerica	2.8	2.3	4.3	2.8	3.0	3.2	3.2	3.6	4.1	4.1
Chelmsford	2.7	2.2	4.0	2.7	2.8	2.9	3.0	3.3	3.7	3.7
Dracut	2.9	2.5	4.5	2.9	2.9	2.9	3.1	3.4	4.1	3.9
Dunstable	2.7	1.8	3.1	2.7	2.8	2.8	3.2	3.3	3.7	3.4
Lowell	3.7	3.3	6.1	3.7	3.9	4.0	4.2	4.6	5.4	5.4
Tewksbury	2.9	2.3	4.0	2.9	3.1	3.1	3.2	3.5	4.0	4.1
Tyngsborough	2.8	2.4	4.2	2.8	3.0	3.2	3.3	3.7	4.2	4.0
Westford	2.7	2.1	3.7	2.7	3.0	3.1	3.3	3.4	4.0	3.9

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