

UNEMPLOYMENT TRENDS FOR MERRIMACK VALLEY SERVICE DELIVERY AREA

(Three Year Comparison)

(Previous Six Months)

Major Labor Area	Current October 2007	October 2006	October 2005	Current October 2007	September 2007	August 2007	July 2007	June 2007	May 2007	April 2007
Massachusetts	3.8	4.2	4.3	3.8	4.4	4.3	5.2	5.0	4.9	4.4
National	4.7	4.4	5.0	4.7	4.7	4.6	4.6	4.5	4.5	4.5
Lawrence/NH NECTA Division	5.9	6.6	7.1	5.9	6.6	6.7	7.7	7.6	7.3	7.0
Lower Merrimack Valley (WIA)	4.4	5.1	5.2	4.4	5.0	5.1	6.0	5.7	5.5	5.2
Amesbury	3.3	4.1	3.9	3.3	4.1	4.6	5.3	4.7	4.4	4.1
Andover	3.4	4.1	4.3	3.4	4.2	3.9	5.0	5.0	4.6	3.9
Boxford	3.1	3.2	3.1	3.1	3.2	3.0	3.7	3.9	3.9	3.2
Georgetown	3.3	3.5	3.4	3.3	4.0	4.1	4.7	4.2	3.9	3.5
Groveland	3.2	3.7	3.6	3.2	3.4	3.6	4.4	4.1	3.8	3.6
Haverhill	4.0	4.4	4.8	4.0	4.7	4.7	5.5	5.1	4.9	4.7
Lawrence	7.5	9.1	8.8	7.5	8.5	8.8	10.1	10.1	9.6	9.5
Merrimac	3.2	3.9	3.6	3.2	3.9	4.1	4.8	4.5	3.9	3.6
Methuen	4.7	5.3	5.4	4.7	5.3	5.2	6.3	5.7	5.7	5.4
Newbury	2.8	2.9	3.7	2.8	3.3	3.6	4.3	3.9	3.7	3.5
Newburyport	3.2	3.4	3.6	3.2	3.6	3.2	3.9	3.8	3.6	3.0
North Andover	3.4	3.9	3.9	3.4	4.0	4.2	4.8	4.5	4.1	3.6
Rowley	2.9	3.5	3.0	2.9	3.0	3.1	3.9	3.8	3.9	3.4
Salisbury	3.5	4.5	5.0	3.5	4.1	4.2	5.0	4.6	4.8	4.8
West Newbury	3.0	3.3	3.3	3.0	3.4	3.5	3.4	3.4	3.1	3.1

(Data not seasonally adjusted)

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