

Huntsville Metropolitan Area Employment/Unemployment Rate, 2008

	Jan-08	Feb-08	Mar-08	Apr-08	May-08	Jun-08	Jul-08	Aug-08	Sep-08	Oct-08	Nov-08	Dec-08	2008 Average
EMPLOYMENT (Huntsville Metropolitan Area*)													
Civilian Labor Force ¹	206,200	204,393	204,852	205,140	205,644	207,624							205,642
Employment	199,317	197,957	198,551	199,954	199,253	199,462							199,082
Unemployment	6,883	6,436	6,301	5,186	6,391	8,162							6,560
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE													
Huntsville Metropolitan Area	3.3%	3.1%	3.1%	2.5%	3.1%	3.9%							3.2%
Madison County	3.3%	3.0%	3.0%	2.5%	3.1%	3.9%							3.1%
Huntsville Region	3.8%	3.9%	3.7%	3.1%	3.7%	4.6%							3.8%
State of Alabama	4.0%	3.7%	4.1%	4.0%	4.7%	4.7%							4.2%
United States	4.9%	4.8%	5.1%	5.0%	5.5%	5.5%							5.1%
EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY (Huntsville Metropolitan Area)													
TOTAL NON-AGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT²	211,000	211,700	212,700	213,700	213,900	214,900							212,983
GOODS PRODUCING	40,700	40,600	40,400	40,700	40,700	40,700							40,633
Natural Resources, Mining & Construction	8,000	8,000	8,100	8,300	8,300	8,400							8,183
Manufacturing	32,700	32,600	32,300	32,400	32,400	32,300							32,450
Durable Goods	28,200	28,100	27,900	27,800	27,900	27,800							27,950
Computer & Electronic Product Manufacturing	11,000	10,900	10,800	10,800	10,900	11,000							10,900
Transportation Equipment Manufacturing	10,200	10,100	10,000	9,900	9,900	9,900							10,000
Non-Durable Goods	4,500	4,500	4,400	4,500	4,500	4,500							4,483
SERVICE PRODUCING	170,300	171,100	172,300	173,000	173,200	174,200							172,350
Trade, Transportation, Warehousing & Utilities	32,900	32,700	33,100	32,900	33,000	33,100							32,950
Wholesale Trade	5,900	5,900	6,000	5,900	6,000	6,000							5,950
Retail Trade	23,800	23,600	23,800	23,700	23,700	23,800							23,733
General Merchandise Stores Retail	6,600	6,500	6,600	6,400	6,400	6,500							6,500
Transportation, Warehousing & Utilities	3,200	3,200	3,300	3,300	3,300	3,300							3,267
Information	2,800	2,800	2,800	2,800	2,800	2,800							2,800
Financial Activity	6,300	6,400	6,400	6,400	6,400	6,400							6,383
Professional & Business Services	44,100	44,200	44,500	44,900	45,000	45,200							44,650
Professional, Scientific & Technical Services	30,200	30,400	30,600	30,600	30,700	30,700							30,533
Education & Health Services	16,000	16,100	16,300	16,400	16,500	16,500							16,300
Leisure & Hospitality Services	17,200	17,400	17,800	18,000	18,000	18,300							17,783
Food Service & Drinking Places	14,300	14,400	14,700	14,900	14,900	15,000							14,700
Other Services	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,600	7,600							7,533
Government	43,500	44,000	43,900	44,100	43,900	44,300							43,950
Federal	15,900	15,800	15,800	15,900	15,900	16,300							15,933
State	5,400	5,800	5,700	5,800	5,500	5,400							5,600
Local	22,200	22,400	22,400	22,400	22,500	22,600							22,417

Source:
Alabama Department of Industrial Relations, Annual Averages.

¹Place of Residence

²Place of Work

*Madison and Limestone counties.