



## KENTUCKY LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES

Preliminary April 2026

### AREA DEVELOPMENT DISTRICTS

U.S. Comparable Rate - 4.0%

	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	Apr 26	Mar 26	Apr 25
<b>Statewide</b>	<b>2,089,325</b>	<b>2,001,944</b>	<b>87,381</b>	<b>4.2%</b>	<b>4.6%</b>	<b>4.2%</b>
<b>COUNTY</b>						
<b>BARREN RIVER</b>	<b>150,223</b>	<b>144,362</b>	<b>5,861</b>	<b>3.9%</b>	<b>4.4%</b>	<b>3.9%</b>
ALLEN	9,910	9,542	368	3.7%	4.3%	3.9%
BARREN	18,148	17,388	760	4.2%	4.9%	4.3%
BUTLER	4,983	4,759	224	4.5%	5.3%	4.5%
EDMONSON	5,079	4,830	249	4.9%	5.7%	5.2%
HART	8,214	7,866	348	4.2%	4.7%	4.2%
LOGAN	12,202	11,675	527	4.3%	4.7%	4.0%
METCALFE	4,344	4,188	156	3.6%	4.5%	4.1%
MONROE	4,457	4,278	179	4.0%	4.8%	3.8%
SIMPSON	8,485	8,138	347	4.1%	4.5%	4.0%
WARREN	74,401	71,698	2,703	3.6%	4.0%	3.7%
<b>BIG SANDY</b>	<b>45,419</b>	<b>42,505</b>	<b>2,914</b>	<b>6.4%</b>	<b>6.4%</b>	<b>5.8%</b>
FLOYD	11,577	10,942	635	5.5%	6.0%	5.5%
JOHNSON	7,528	7,117	411	5.5%	6.2%	5.5%
MAGOFFIN	3,934	3,652	282	7.2%	7.8%	8.1%
MARTIN	2,590	2,387	203	7.8%	7.7%	9.1%
PIKE	19,790	18,407	1,383	7.0%	6.4%	5.3%
<b>BLUEGRASS</b>	<b>431,276</b>	<b>415,674</b>	<b>15,602</b>	<b>3.6%</b>	<b>4.0%</b>	<b>3.5%</b>
ANDERSON	11,892	11,437	455	3.8%	4.3%	4.3%
BOURBON	10,074	9,702	372	3.7%	4.1%	3.5%
BOYLE	13,289	12,763	526	4.0%	4.5%	4.3%
CLARK	17,858	17,200	658	3.7%	4.1%	3.9%
ESTILL	5,050	4,787	263	5.2%	5.8%	5.1%
FAYETTE	177,762	171,834	5,928	3.3%	3.7%	3.2%
FRANKLIN	27,126	26,174	952	3.5%	3.8%	4.0%
GARRARD	8,169	7,848	321	3.9%	4.3%	4.1%
HARRISON	8,958	8,629	329	3.7%	4.1%	3.4%
JESSAMINE	27,551	26,610	941	3.4%	3.8%	3.3%
LINCOLN	9,766	9,331	435	4.5%	5.0%	4.9%
MADISON	46,937	44,839	2,098	4.5%	4.8%	3.8%
MERCER	10,619	10,190	429	4.0%	4.7%	4.1%
NICHOLAS	3,443	3,302	141	4.1%	4.5%	3.7%
POWELL	5,674	5,432	242	4.3%	4.8%	3.9%
SCOTT	31,988	30,940	1,048	3.3%	3.7%	3.3%
WOODFORD	15,120	14,656	464	3.1%	3.5%	3.0%

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<b>COUNTY</b>						
<b>BUFFALO TRACE</b>	<b>22,114</b>	<b>20,972</b>	<b>1,142</b>	<b>5.2%</b>	<b>5.8%</b>	<b>5.5%</b>
BRACKEN	3,787	3,634	153	4.0%	5.4%	5.1%
FLEMING	6,203	5,924	279	4.5%	4.8%	4.8%
LEWIS	4,246	3,923	323	7.6%	8.4%	7.3%
MASON	7,024	6,676	348	5.0%	5.5%	5.2%
ROBERTSON	854	815	39	4.6%	5.4%	4.9%
<b>CUMBERLAND VALLEY</b>	<b>80,036</b>	<b>76,089</b>	<b>3,947</b>	<b>4.9%</b>	<b>5.5%</b>	<b>5.1%</b>
BELL	7,437	7,035	402	5.4%	6.0%	5.6%
CLAY	5,809	5,501	308	5.3%	5.7%	5.7%
HARLAN	7,583	7,166	417	5.5%	6.1%	6.1%
JACKSON	3,928	3,670	258	6.6%	6.9%	6.3%
KNOX	9,886	9,360	526	5.3%	5.8%	5.4%
LAUREL	22,917	21,773	1,144	5.0%	5.5%	5.0%
ROCKCASTLE	6,131	5,852	279	4.6%	5.2%	4.5%
WHITLEY	16,345	15,732	613	3.8%	4.4%	3.9%
<b>FIVCO</b>	<b>50,161</b>	<b>47,470</b>	<b>2,691</b>	<b>5.4%</b>	<b>5.9%</b>	<b>5.5%</b>
BOYD	19,261	18,341	920	4.8%	5.3%	4.9%
CARTER	9,986	9,384	602	6.0%	6.6%	6.1%
ELLIOTT	1,892	1,770	122	6.4%	7.1%	7.0%
GREENUP	13,716	13,001	715	5.2%	5.7%	5.4%
LAWRENCE	5,306	4,974	332	6.3%	6.6%	6.2%
<b>GATEWAY</b>	<b>34,383</b>	<b>32,802</b>	<b>1,581</b>	<b>4.6%</b>	<b>5.3%</b>	<b>5.0%</b>
BATH	4,907	4,664	243	5.0%	5.8%	5.4%
MENIFEE	2,275	2,147	128	5.6%	7.0%	6.6%
MONTGOMERY	11,993	11,451	542	4.5%	5.0%	4.9%
MORGAN	4,488	4,266	222	4.9%	5.6%	4.9%
ROWAN	10,720	10,274	446	4.2%	5.0%	4.6%
<b>GREEN RIVER</b>	<b>96,273</b>	<b>92,515</b>	<b>3,758</b>	<b>3.9%</b>	<b>4.3%</b>	<b>4.0%</b>
DAVIESS	48,378	46,620	1,758	3.6%	4.0%	3.8%
HANCOCK	3,663	3,522	141	3.8%	4.5%	4.2%
HENDERSON	19,164	18,389	775	4.0%	4.6%	3.9%
MCLEAN	4,026	3,846	180	4.5%	4.5%	4.3%
OHIO	9,911	9,450	461	4.7%	5.3%	5.2%
UNION	6,114	5,881	233	3.8%	4.3%	3.6%
WEBSTER	5,017	4,807	210	4.2%	4.5%	4.2%

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<b>COUNTY</b>						
<b>KENTUCKY RIVER</b>	<b>35,125</b>	<b>33,463</b>	<b>1,662</b>	<b>4.7%</b>	<b>5.3%</b>	<b>5.1%</b>
BREATHITT	4,105	3,898	207	5.0%	6.0%	5.7%
KNOTT	4,563	4,326	237	5.2%	5.9%	5.6%
LEE	2,589	2,478	111	4.3%	4.7%	4.4%
LESLIE	3,429	3,274	155	4.5%	5.1%	5.1%
LETCHER	7,188	6,844	344	4.8%	5.3%	5.3%
OWSLEY	1,303	1,246	57	4.4%	4.9%	5.3%
PERRY	10,372	9,937	435	4.2%	4.7%	4.4%
WOLFE	1,576	1,460	116	7.4%	8.4%	6.9%
<b>KIPDA</b>	<b>518,255</b>	<b>495,724</b>	<b>22,531</b>	<b>4.3%</b>	<b>4.6%</b>	<b>4.5%</b>
BULLITT	43,860	41,773	2,087	4.8%	4.9%	5.3%
HENRY	7,254	6,976	278	3.8%	4.4%	4.3%
JEFFERSON	393,939	376,476	17,463	4.4%	4.7%	4.6%
OLDHAM	33,901	32,716	1,185	3.5%	3.8%	3.6%
SHELBY	25,252	24,320	932	3.7%	4.0%	4.1%
SPENCER	10,128	9,688	440	4.3%	4.5%	5.1%
TRIMBLE	3,921	3,775	146	3.7%	4.3%	3.9%
<b>LAKE CUMBERLAND</b>	<b>83,422</b>	<b>79,727</b>	<b>3,695</b>	<b>4.4%</b>	<b>4.9%</b>	<b>4.4%</b>
ADAIR	8,156	7,844	312	3.8%	4.5%	3.8%
CASEY	6,162	5,907	255	4.1%	4.7%	4.6%
CLINTON	3,523	3,347	176	5.0%	5.5%	4.4%
CUMBERLAND	2,950	2,848	102	3.5%	4.5%	3.9%
GREEN	4,448	4,251	197	4.4%	4.8%	4.6%
MCCREARY	5,186	4,920	266	5.1%	5.8%	4.9%
PULASKI	27,706	26,484	1,222	4.4%	4.8%	4.3%
RUSSELL	7,941	7,629	312	3.9%	4.3%	4.3%
TAYLOR	10,691	10,248	443	4.1%	4.8%	4.1%
WAYNE	6,659	6,249	410	6.2%	6.5%	5.2%
<b>LINCOLN TRAIL</b>	<b>124,766</b>	<b>118,849</b>	<b>5,917</b>	<b>4.7%</b>	<b>5.3%</b>	<b>4.6%</b>
BRECKINRIDGE	8,410	8,005	405	4.8%	5.4%	4.8%
GRAYSON	9,817	9,278	539	5.5%	6.0%	5.4%
HARDIN	48,544	46,105	2,439	5.0%	5.5%	4.5%
LARUE	6,850	6,539	311	4.5%	5.0%	4.3%
MARION	7,938	7,573	365	4.6%	5.2%	4.7%
MEADE	13,983	13,342	641	4.6%	4.9%	4.5%
NELSON	23,079	22,089	990	4.3%	4.9%	4.5%
WASHINGTON	6,145	5,918	227	3.7%	4.1%	3.6%

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<b>NORTHERN KENTUCKY</b>	<b>247,408</b>	<b>238,667</b>	<b>8,741</b>	<b>3.5%</b>	<b>3.9%</b>	<b>3.6%</b>
BOONE	73,977	71,403	2,574	3.5%	3.9%	3.4%
CAMPBELL	48,524	46,830	1,694	3.5%	3.8%	3.6%
CARROLL	4,932	4,761	171	3.5%	4.0%	3.8%
GALLATIN	4,118	3,962	156	3.8%	4.4%	3.9%
GRANT	12,018	11,563	455	3.8%	4.5%	3.7%
KENTON	91,718	88,485	3,233	3.5%	3.9%	3.6%
OWEN	5,217	5,014	203	3.9%	4.3%	4.0%
PENDLETON	6,904	6,649	255	3.7%	4.4%	4.5%
<b>PENNYRILE</b>	<b>82,608</b>	<b>78,790</b>	<b>3,818</b>	<b>4.6%</b>	<b>4.9%</b>	<b>4.6%</b>
CALDWELL	5,880	5,667	213	3.6%	3.9%	3.5%
CHRISTIAN	23,626	22,429	1,197	5.1%	5.5%	4.9%
CRITTENDEN	3,502	3,355	147	4.2%	4.5%	4.3%
HOPKINS	18,979	18,123	856	4.5%	4.5%	4.5%
LIVINGSTON	3,912	3,720	192	4.9%	5.3%	4.8%
LYON	3,059	2,916	143	4.7%	5.0%	4.6%
MUHLENBERG	11,603	10,995	608	5.2%	5.6%	5.4%
TODD	6,138	5,937	201	3.3%	3.6%	3.3%
TRIGG	5,909	5,648	261	4.4%	4.9%	4.2%
<b>PURCHASE</b>	<b>87,858</b>	<b>84,337</b>	<b>3,521</b>	<b>4.0%</b>	<b>4.4%</b>	<b>4.1%</b>
BALLARD	3,453	3,307	146	4.2%	4.5%	4.5%
CALLOWAY	16,956	16,282	674	4.0%	4.7%	3.8%
CARLISLE	2,087	2,004	83	4.0%	4.4%	4.4%
FULTON	2,517	2,398	119	4.7%	4.6%	4.1%
GRAVES	16,570	15,996	574	3.5%	3.9%	3.7%
HICKMAN	1,833	1,753	80	4.4%	4.7%	4.0%
MCCRACKEN	30,860	29,641	1,219	4.0%	4.3%	4.3%
MARSHALL	13,582	12,956	626	4.6%	4.8%	4.5%
<b>BOWLING GREEN MSA</b>	<b>94,373</b>	<b>90,829</b>	<b>3,544</b>	<b>3.8%</b>	<b>4.2%</b>	<b>3.8%</b>
<b>ELIZABETHTOWN MSA</b>	<b>55,394</b>	<b>52,644</b>	<b>2,750</b>	<b>5.0%</b>	<b>5.5%</b>	<b>4.5%</b>
<b>LEXINGTON MSA</b>	<b>280,353</b>	<b>270,942</b>	<b>9,411</b>	<b>3.4%</b>	<b>3.7%</b>	<b>3.3%</b>
<b>LOUISVILLE MSA</b>	<b>694,468</b>	<b>666,458</b>	<b>28,010</b>	<b>4.0%</b>	<b>4.4%</b>	<b>4.3%</b>
<b>OWENSBORO MSA</b>	<b>52,404</b>	<b>50,466</b>	<b>1,938</b>	<b>3.7%</b>	<b>4.0%</b>	<b>3.8%</b>
<b>PADUCAH MSA</b>	<b>46,322</b>	<b>44,463</b>	<b>1,859</b>	<b>4.0%</b>	<b>4.4%</b>	<b>4.2%</b>

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