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Jobless rates down in 107 counties from June 2009 to June 2010

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EDITOR'S NOTE: June's preliminary and May's revised county unemployment rate charts are posted at <http://workforce.ky.gov/June10charts.pdf>. Acrobat Reader is required to view charts. To download Acrobat Reader, please see the end of this news release.

FRANKFORT, Ky. — Unemployment rates fell in 107 Kentucky counties between June 2009 and June 2010, according to the Kentucky Office of Employment and Training, an agency of the Kentucky Education and Workforce Development Cabinet.

Fayette and Woodford counties recorded the lowest jobless rates in the Commonwealth at 7.8 percent each. They were followed by Calloway County, 8 percent; Oldham County, 8.2 percent; Ballard and Madison counties, 8.5 percent each; McCracken County, 8.6 percent; and Franklin, Hopkins and Scott counties, 8.7 percent each.

Magoffin County recorded the state's highest unemployment rate — 19 percent. It was followed by Jackson County, 16.4 percent; Menifee County, 16.3 percent; Metcalfe County, 15 percent; Wolfe County, 14.5 percent; Lewis County, 14 percent; Powell County, 13.9 percent; Grayson County, 13.8 percent; McCreary County, 13.7 percent; and Clay, Simpson and Trimble counties, 13.4 percent each.

Unemployment statistics are based on estimates and are compiled to measure trends rather than actually to count people working. Civilian labor force statistics include non-military workers and unemployed Kentuckians who are actively seeking work. They do not include unemployed Kentuckians who have not looked for employment within the past four weeks. The statistics in this news release are not seasonally adjusted to allow for comparisons between United States, state and county figures.

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