

Unemployment Up in Area NEK Counties

(MSC News)--Unemployment was up in area northeast Kansas counties in June from the month before.

According to a report released Friday by the Kansas Department of Labor, Atchison County continued to have the highest jobless rate among area counties at 7 percent, while Nemaha County had the lowest at 3.2 percent.

Elsewhere, Brown County's unemployment rate in June was 4.1 percent; Doniphan, 4.4 percent; Jackson, 3.9 percent; Jefferson, 4.1 percent; Leavenworth, 4.4 percent; Marshall, 3.3 percent and Pottawatomie, 3.8 percent.

All the figures were up from May. However, they were down from June 2015, except in Atchison, Marshall and Nemaha Counties.

Statewide, the unemployment rate in June was 3.8 percent. That's up from 3.7 percent in May, but down from 4.2 percent in June 2015.

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