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Unemployment Up in Most Area NEK Counties

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

According to a report released Friday by the Kansas Department of Labor, Marshall and Nemaha Counties were the only two area counties not to see an increase in their jobless rates, with both remaining unchanged at 2.7 percent.

That was the lowest rate among area counties. Atchison County continued to have the highest unemployment rate at 6.3 percent.

Elsewhere, Brown County's unemployment rate in June was 4.1 percent; Doniphan, 4 percent; Jackson, 3.8 percent; Jefferson, 3.8 percent; Leavenworth, 4.1 percent; and Pottawatomie, 3.4 percent.

All the figures were down from June 2016.

Statewide, the Department of Labor says preliminary estimates show a seasonally adjusted unemployment rate of 3.7 percent in June. That was unchanged from May and down from 4.2 percent in June 2016.

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