

June Unemployment Rates Higher in SE Nebraska

**(KLZA)-- Unemployment rates went up in southeast Nebraska counties during the month of June.**

**Unemployment rates went up from two-tenths to half a percentage point in June. Nemaha County, Nebraska, has the highest unemployment rate in the area at 4.6 percent, up half a percent.**

**Pawnee County has the best unemployment rate in the area at 3.2 percent but that rate was also up half a percent for the month.**

**Richardson, Johnson and Gage counties had an unemployment rate of 3.4 percent. Otoe County was up to 3.6 percent.**

**Statewide the unemployment rate was steady at 2.9 percent, ranking amongst the best in the country.**

**The U.S. unemployment rate in June was 4.5 percent in June.**

**Nonfarm employment is up more than 18,000 from a year ago and up nearly 5,200 jobs from May.**

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