

Unemployment figures released for SE Neb counties

(KLZA)-- Unemployment figures in Southeast Nebraska were mixed for the month of October.

Unemployment rates were higher in Richardson, Pawnee, Johnson and Gage counties while the rates dipped in Nemaha and Otoe counties.

Gage County had the biggest change with the unemployment rate jumping up 2.4 percent to 5.4 percent.

Other counties with increasing unemployment figures were:

Richardson County, 3 percent, up a tenth.

Johnson County, 3.9 percent up six tenths.

Pawnee County, 3.3 percent, up seven tenths.

Unemployment dipped a tenth of a percent in both Nemaha and Otoe counties. The Nemaha County rate for October was 3.5 percent and in Otoe County the rate was 2.9 percent.

Statewide the unemployment rate of 3.1 percent is the same as the previous month but is up 4-tenths from a year earlier.

The national preliminary unemployment figure for October was 3.6 percent which is up a tenth of a point.

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