

UNEMPLOYMENT TRENDS FOR MERRIMACK VALLEY SERVICE DELIVERY AREA

(Three Year Comparison)

(Previous Six Months)

Major Labor Area	Current April - 06	April 2005	April 2004	Current April - 06	March 2006	February 2006	January 2006	December 2005	November 2005	October 2005
Massachusetts	4.7	4.5	4.6	4.7	5.4	5.5	5.3	4.5	4.4	4.3
National	4.7	5.2	5.6	4.7	4.7	4.8	4.7	4.9	5.0	5.0
Lawrence/NH NECTA Division	7.3	7.2	7.1	7.3	8.2	8.3	8.2	7.2	7.0	7.1
Lower Merrimack Valley (WIA)	5.5	5.4	6.6	5.5	6.3	6.4	6.2	5.4	5.3	5.2
Amesbury	4.7	4.1	4.4	4.7	5.4	5.2	4.8	4.0	4.0	3.9
Andover	3.9	3.6	4.5	3.9	4.4	4.6	4.2	4.0	4.3	4.3
Boxford	3.5	3.0	3.3	3.5	4.1	3.7	3.6	2.8	3.2	3.1
Georgetown	3.6	4.0	4.5	3.6	4.1	4.2	4.1	3.8	3.7	3.4
Groveland	4.3	3.9	5.0	4.3	4.9	5.0	4.7	3.7	3.7	3.6
Haverhill	5.0	4.9	6.5	5.0	5.7	5.8	5.8	5.2	5.0	4.8
Lawrence	10.0	9.8	12.6	10.0	11.2	11.2	11.0	9.7	8.8	8.8
Merrimac	3.5	4.2	4.6	3.5	4.3	4.1	3.9	3.7	3.9	3.6
Methuen	5.8	5.5	7.3	5.8	6.6	6.6	6.5	5.6	5.6	5.4
Newbury	3.8	3.7	3.7	3.8	4.6	5.0	4.6	3.6	3.8	3.7
Newburyport	3.9	3.5	3.9	3.9	4.3	4.4	4.4	4.0	4.3	3.6
North Andover	3.9	3.9	4.2	3.9	4.2	4.3	4.0	3.6	3.9	3.9
Rowley	3.8	4.3	3.6	3.8	4.8	4.8	4.8	4.1	4.3	3.0
Salisbury	5.4	5.6	6.0	5.4	7.3	7.3	6.9	5.4	5.3	5.0
West Newbury	3.8	2.8	3.0	3.8	3.9	4.0	3.8	3.3	3.5	3.3

(Data not seasonally adjusted)

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