Annual Unemployment Rates for Ottawa County, Michigan, and the United States
(2000-2020)

* The annual average for 2020 is based on 7 months of data.

Source: Michigan Labor Market Information (Michigan Department of Technology, Management and Budget)

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Since April 2020, the Ottawa County unemployment rate has decreased by 13.4 percentage points - from 20.9% to 7.5%.

1. July 2020 data is preliminary. Final data is to be released and analyzed August 2020.
2. Ottawa County estimates are produced on a monthly basis using information from the week of the 12th of each month. March 2020 data includes data from March 8–14, 2020, 10 days prior to Gov. Gretchen Whitmer’s Executive Order 2020-21 “Stay Home, Stay Safe.” April data shows the earliest impact of COVID-19 on employment in Ottawa County.