

UNEMPLOYMENT TRENDS FOR MERRIMACK VALLEY SERVICE DELIVERY AREA

(Three Year Comparison)

(Previous Five Months)

Major Labor Area	August 2026	August 2025	August 2024	August 2026	July 2026	June 2026	May 2026	April 2026	March 2026
Massachusetts	4.4	4.6	4.3	4.4	4.7	4.2	4.1	4.1	4.6
National	4.3	4.5	4.4	4.3	4.4	4.4	4.1	4.0	4.3
Lower Merrimack Valley (WDA)	4.9	5.0	4.7	4.9	5.1	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.8
Amesbury	3.8	4.0	3.6	3.8	4.1	3.8	3.9	3.7	4.2
Andover	3.9	4.2	3.9	3.9	4.2	3.8	3.8	3.6	3.7
Boxford	3.7	4.0	3.7	3.7	4.2	3.8	3.5	3.1	3.6
Georgetown	3.9	4.9	3.7	3.9	4.3	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.9
Groveland	3.2	4.1	3.5	3.2	3.6	3.2	3.4	3.5	4.4
Haverhill	4.9	5.0	4.4	4.9	5.0	4.5	4.3	4.5	4.9
Lawrence	6.8	6.8	6.5	6.8	6.8	6.1	5.9	6.2	6.4
Merrimac	3.9	4.3	3.8	3.9	4.3	3.6	3.6	3.3	3.5
Methuen	5.0	5.2	4.7	5.0	5.2	4.6	4.6	4.5	4.8
Newbury	3.4	3.1	3.7	3.4	3.6	3.2	3.0	3.1	3.6
Newburyport	3.6	4.4	3.8	3.6	4.0	3.7	3.7	3.4	3.7
North Andover	4.1	4.2	4.0	4.1	4.5	3.9	3.9	3.9	3.8
Rowley	3.3	3.6	3.4	3.3	3.8	3.6	3.4	3.5	3.8
Salisbury	4.1	4.6	4.3	4.1	4.3	4.0	3.9	3.8	4.6
West Newbury	3.8	3.9	4.1	3.8	4.2	4.2	4.1	3.7	3.6

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Per Department of Economic Research - New England City and Town Areas (NECTAs) will be discontinued.