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Unemployment Rate Remains Low In Greater Oshkosh Area

OSHKOSH, WIS. (August 15, 2018) –The Oshkosh-Neenah Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) unemployment rate was 3.3^P percent in June, down 0.2 percent from June 2017. Wisconsin had an unemployment rate of 3.4 percent while the U.S. unemployment rate was 4.0 percent, not seasonally adjusted.

The June unemployment rate of 3.3^P percent in the Oshkosh-Neenah MSA is the lowest recorded for the month of June since 1999.

Total employment in the Oshkosh-Neenah MSA grew to 92,042^P in June 2018 from 91,584 in June 2017, a 0.5 percent increase. The total number of unemployed persons dropped to 3,179^P from 3,335, a 4.7 percent decrease. Industries that created jobs from June 2017 to June 2018 include 'Private Service Providing' (600), 'Professional and Business Services' (200) and 'Leisure and Hospitality' (100).

The average hourly earnings of all employees in the Oshkosh-Neenah MSA grew to \$22.41^P in June 2018 from \$22.18 in June 2017, a 1.04 percent increase. The average weekly earnings of all employees grew to \$768.66^P from \$762.99, a 0.74 percent increase.

The Greater Oshkosh Economic Development Corporation utilizes data from the Wisconsin Development of Workforce Development and the Bureau of Labor Statistics to track economic indicators in the greater Oshkosh region.

P: Preliminary figures

Greater Oshkosh EDC was founded in 2015 and exists to preserve the health of existing companies, foster a positive entrepreneurial environment, connect companies to workforce and talent development resources, enhance the business climate and promote the quality of life in the greater Oshkosh area. For more information, visit: www.greateroshkosh.com.