

GRANT READY KENTUCKY

Prepared July 2026		County-level unemployment rates and per capita income as compared to national averages			
County	Congressional District	24-Month Unemployment %, ending May 2026	Unemployment Threshold: pts vs US (4.25%); need >= +1.0	American Community Survey (ACS) Per Capita Income (PCMI) 2024	% of US Per Capita Money Income (\$44,673); need <= 80%
Adair	1	4.73	+0.48 - No	\$28,489	63.77%
Allen	1	4.39	+0.14 - No	\$30,852	69.06%
Anderson	1 & 6	4.43	+0.18 - No	\$35,735	79.99%
Ballard	1	4.93	+0.68 - No	\$35,589	79.67%
Barren	2	4.95	+0.70 - No	\$29,914	66.96%
Bath	5 & 6	6.15	+1.90 - YES	\$29,906	66.94%
Bell	5	6.23	+1.98 - YES	\$21,704	48.58%
Boone	4	4.01	-0.24 - No	\$46,264	103.56%
Bourbon	6	4.06	-0.19 - No	\$33,889	75.86%
Boyd	5	5.53	+1.28 - YES	\$31,752	71.08%
Boyle	1	4.85	+0.60 - No	\$31,524	70.57%
Bracken	4	5.45	+1.20 - YES	\$33,389	74.74%
Breathitt	5	6.6	+2.35 - YES	\$22,593	50.57%
Breckinridge	2	5.33	+1.08 - YES	\$30,854	69.07%
Bullitt	2	4.64	+0.39 - No	\$38,684	86.59%
Butler	2	5.21	+0.96 - No	\$27,030	60.51%
Caldwell	1	4.16	-0.09 - No	\$30,830	69.01%
Calloway	1	5.01	+0.76 - No	\$29,867	66.86%
Campbell	4	4.08	-0.17 - No	\$46,100	103.19%
Carlisle	1	4.65	+0.40 - No	\$33,432	74.84%
Carroll	4	4.31	+0.06 - No	\$29,735	66.56%
Carter	4 & 5	7.28	+3.03 - YES	\$27,994	62.66%
Casey	1	5.06	+0.81 - No	\$26,254	58.77%
Christian	1	5.6	+1.35 - YES	\$27,039	60.53%
Clark	6	4.35	+0.10 - No	\$37,681	84.35%
Clay	5	6.39	+2.14 - YES	\$21,846	48.90%
Clinton	1	5.42	+1.17 - YES	\$24,457	54.75%
Crittenden	1	4.93	+0.68 - No	\$28,700	64.24%
Cumberland	1	4.45	+0.20 - No	\$24,221	54.22%
Daviess	2	4.33	+0.08 - No	\$36,554	81.83%
Edmonson	2	5.59	+1.34 - YES	\$29,834	66.78%
Elliott	5	8.01	+3.76 - YES	\$21,178	47.41%
Estill	6	5.92	+1.67 - YES	\$25,226	56.47%
Fayette	6	3.84	-0.41 - No	\$43,790	98.02%
Fleming	6	5.49	+1.24 - YES	\$25,869	57.91%
Floyd	5	6.23	+1.98 - YES	\$25,406	56.87%
Franklin	1	4.13	-0.12 - No	\$39,218	87.79%
Fulton	1	5	+0.75 - No	\$21,434	47.98%
Gallatin	4	4.53	+0.28 - No	\$32,778	73.37%
Garrard	6	4.47	+0.22 - No	\$30,524	68.33%
Grant	4	4.47	+0.22 - No	\$31,323	70.12%
Graves	1	4.12	-0.13 - No	\$30,535	68.35%
Grayson	2	5.81	+1.56 - YES	\$28,372	63.51%
Green	2	5.18	+0.93 - No	\$26,178	58.60%
Greenup	4	6.1	+1.85 - YES	\$33,527	75.05%
Hancock	2	4.9	+0.65 - No	\$31,584	70.70%
Hardin	2	5.01	+0.76 - No	\$37,638	84.25%
Harlan	5	6.69	+2.44 - YES	\$22,319	49.96%
Harrison	4	4.04	-0.21 - No	\$33,578	75.16%
Hart	2	4.73	+0.48 - No	\$26,411	59.12%
Henderson	1	4.61	+0.36 - No	\$32,844	73.52%
Henry	4	4.42	+0.17 - No	\$31,532	70.58%
Hickman	1	4.62	+0.37 - No	\$32,313	72.33%
Hopkins	1	4.96	+0.71 - No	\$29,287	65.56%
Jackson	5	7.16	+2.91 - YES	\$22,925	51.32%
Jefferson	2 & 3	4.57	+0.32 - No	\$42,087	94.21%
Jessamine	6	4.03	-0.22 - No	\$41,505	92.91%
Johnson	5	6.47	+2.22 - YES	\$25,175	56.35%
Kenton	4	4.04	-0.21 - No	\$43,733	97.90%
Knott	5	6.5	+2.25 - YES	\$23,721	53.10%
Knox	5	6.33	+2.08 - YES	\$20,708	46.35%

LaRue	2	4.59	+0.34 - No	\$29,539	66.12%
Laurel	5	5.67	+1.42 - YES	\$27,836	62.31%
Lawrence	5	7.15	+2.90 - YES	\$25,890	57.95%
Lee	5	5.08	+0.83 - No	\$21,415	47.94%
Leslie	5	5.59	+1.34 - YES	\$23,827	53.34%
Letcher	5	5.64	+1.39 - YES	\$22,681	50.77%
Lewis	4	8.23	+3.98 - YES	\$26,242	58.74%
Lincoln	5	5.4	+1.15 - YES	\$28,170	63.06%
Livingston	1	5.27	+1.02 - YES	\$31,334	70.14%
Logan	1 & 2	4.77	+0.52 - No	\$29,489	66.01%
Lyon	1	5.04	+0.79 - No	\$34,672	77.61%
Madison	6	4.77	+0.52 - No	\$32,828	73.49%
Magoffin	5	8.56	+4.31 - YES	\$21,190	47.43%
Marion	1	5.3	+1.05 - YES	\$29,597	66.25%
Marshall	1	5.07	+0.82 - No	\$34,734	77.75%
Martin	5	8.62	+4.37 - YES	\$26,524	59.37%
Mason	4	5.86	+1.61 - YES	\$31,189	69.82%
McCracken	1	4.56	+0.31 - No	\$39,193	87.73%
McCreary	5	5.93	+1.68 - YES	\$17,150	38.39%
McLean	2	4.89	+0.64 - No	\$33,651	75.33%
Meade	2	4.75	+0.50 - No	\$36,483	81.67%
Menifee	5	6.75	+2.50 - YES	\$25,879	57.93%
Mercer	6	4.58	+0.33 - No	\$33,683	75.40%
Metcalfe	1	4.72	+0.47 - No	\$27,314	61.14%
Monroe	1	4.73	+0.48 - No	\$27,296	61.10%
Montgomery	6	5.15	+0.90 - No	\$29,716	66.52%
Morgan	5	5.97	+1.72 - YES	\$25,674	57.47%
Muhlenberg	2	5.79	+1.54 - YES	\$30,585	68.46%
Nelson	2 & 4	4.53	+0.28 - No	\$35,010	78.37%
Nicholas	6	4.39	+0.14 - No	\$25,299	56.63%
Ohio	2	5.65	+1.40 - YES	\$28,772	64.41%
Oldham	4	3.93	-0.32 - No	\$54,496	121.99%
Owen	4	4.47	+0.22 - No	\$30,369	67.98%
Owsley	5	5.63	+1.38 - YES	\$18,731	41.93%
Pendleton	4	4.66	+0.41 - No	\$31,070	69.55%
Perry	5	4.87	+0.62 - No	\$28,931	64.76%
Pike	5	6.23	+1.98 - YES	\$27,048	60.55%
Powell	6	4.74	+0.49 - No	\$23,040	51.57%
Pulaski	5	4.97	+0.72 - No	\$29,394	65.80%
Robertson	4	5.87	+1.62 - YES	\$26,050	58.31%
Rockcastle	5	5.18	+0.93 - No	\$27,074	60.60%
Rowan	5	5.58	+1.33 - YES	\$30,395	68.04%
Russell	1	4.92	+0.67 - No	\$29,055	65.04%
Scott	6	3.88	-0.37 - No	\$41,521	92.94%
Shelby	4	3.97	-0.28 - No	\$39,890	89.29%
Simpson	1	4.62	+0.37 - No	\$31,249	69.95%
Spencer	4	4.41	+0.16 - No	\$43,368	97.08%
Taylor	1	5.02	+0.77 - No	\$28,896	64.68%
Todd	1	4.01	-0.24 - No	\$32,149	71.97%
Trigg	1	4.89	+0.64 - No	\$32,472	72.69%
Trimble	4	4.29	+0.04 - No	\$34,349	76.89%
Union	1	4.27	+0.02 - No	\$30,559	68.41%
Warren	2	4.22	-0.03 - No	\$35,497	79.46%
Washington	1	4.06	-0.19 - No	\$32,046	71.73%
Wayne	5	6.04	+1.79 - YES	\$25,596	57.30%
Webster	1	4.83	+0.58 - No	\$27,267	61.04%
Whitley	5	4.75	+0.50 - No	\$23,353	52.28%
Wolfe	5	8.67	+4.42 - YES	\$17,627	39.46%
Woodford	6	3.59	-0.66 - No	\$43,877	98.22%

SOURCES & DISCLOSURES (July 2026)

PROGRAM RULES: FY 2023/24/25 Public Works and Economic Adjustment Assistance NOFO (PWEAA2023, updated 5/13/26; rolling applications).

INCOME MEASURE: ACS 5-year Per Capita Money Income 2024 (US = \$44,673; 80% threshold = \$35,738), EDA's primary income measure per NOFO C.3.a.

DISTRESS DATA: Official StatsAmerica Measuring Distress dataset. Unemployment: 24-month average ending May 2026 (BLS LAUS)

REGIONS & MAP: Applicants self-define regions; distressed census tracts can qualify projects in non-distressed counties.

DISTRICT MAP: Congressional districts are NOT a stated EDA prioritization unit; shown for reference.

NATIONAL AVERAGES: U.S. per capita income \$44,673, 2020–2024 ACS 5-year, Census table | 24-month Avg. BLS Unemployment Rate ending May 2026, per StatsAmerica

Prepared July 2026. Figures should be re-verified via <https://www.statsamerica.org/distress> or <https://nerde.anl.gov/opportunity/distress/county> for the specific project region at application time. GRKY has undertaken a good faith effort to ensure information is directionally accurate and current for planning purposes, but data errors are possible. All data should be reconfirmed before application and all criteria should be confirmed against EDA's latest PWEAA NOFO. Info is provided for general discussion purposes only; GRKY does not provide legal or accounting advice