



**NEW GILLIBRAND REPORT: UNEMPLOYMENT AMONG NEW VETERANS
 NEARLY 15 PERCENT, OVER 7 PERCENT FOR ALL VETERANS IN NY**

2 Percent Increase From Last Year Among NY Veterans

According to a new report from the office of U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand, unemployment among veterans recently home from Iraq and Afghanistan reached 14.6 percent. Unemployment among all New York veterans tops 7 percent. In the last year alone, unemployment among veterans statewide increased by more than 20,500.

County Statistics for New York City:

In New York City, an estimated 17,300 veterans are unemployed. Unemployment among New York City veterans increased by an estimated 4,700 over the last year.

County	Number of Veterans	Unemployed Veterans 2009	Unemployed Veterans 2008
Bronx	39,855	2,909	2,112
Kings	57,612	4,206	3,053
New York	46,982	3,430	2,490
Queens	67,126	4,900	3,558
Richmond	25,727	1,878	1,364

County Statistics for Western New York:

In Western New York, an estimated 8,800 veterans are unemployed. Unemployment among Western New York Veterans increased by an estimated 2,400 over the last year.

County	Number of Veterans	Unemployed Veterans 2009	Unemployed Veterans 2008
Allegany	4,644	339	246
Cattaraugus	8,216	600	435
Chautauqua	12,039	879	638
Erie	74,265	5,421	3,936
Niagara	18,394	1,343	975
Wyoming	3,625	265	192

County Statistics for Rochester-Finger Lakes Region:

In the Rochester-Finger Lakes Region, an estimated 6,600 veterans are unemployed. Unemployment among all Rochester-Finger Lakes Region veterans increased by an estimated 1,800 over the last year.

County	Number of Veterans	Unemployed Veterans 2009	Unemployed Veterans 2008
Genesee	5,210	380	276
Livingston	5,326	389	282
Monroe	50,774	3,707	2,691
Ontario	8,403	613	445
Orleans	3,521	257	187
Seneca	1,969	144	104
Tompkins	5,297	387	281
Wayne	7,631	557	404
Yates	2,305	168	122

County Statistics for Central New York:

In Central New York, an estimated 5,800 veterans are unemployed. Unemployment among Central New York veterans increased by an estimated 1,600 over the last year.

County	Number of Veterans	Unemployed Veterans 2009	Unemployed Veterans 2008
Cayuga	7,013	512	372
Cortland	3,602	263	191
Herkimer	6,199	453	329
Madison	5,588	408	296
Oneida	20,448	1,493	1,084
Onondaga	31,743	2,317	1,682
Otsego	4,962	362	263

County Statistics for the Southern Tier:

In the Southern Tier, an estimated 4,500 veterans are unemployed. Unemployment among Southern Tier veterans increased by an estimated 1,200 over the last year.

County	Number of Veterans	Unemployed Veterans 2009	Unemployed Veterans 2008
Broome	15,986	1,167	847
Chemung	8,357	610	443
Chenango	4,889	357	259
Delaware	4,378	320	232
Oswego	10,808	789	573
Schuyler	3,028	221	160
Steuben	8,988	656	476
Tioga	4,831	353	256

County Statistics for the Capital Region:

In the Capital Region, an estimated 7,200 veterans are unemployed. Unemployment among Capital Region veterans increased by an estimated 2,000 over the last year.

County	Number of Veterans	Unemployed Veterans 2009	Unemployed Veterans 2008
Albany	21,176	1,546	1,122
Columbia	5,820	425	308
Fulton	5,160	377	273
Greene	4,481	327	237
Montgomery	4,524	330	240
Rensselaer	11,992	875	636
Saratoga	9,526	695	505
Schenectady	18,008	1,315	954
Schoharie	12,249	894	649
Washington	6,111	446	324

County Statistics for the North Country:

In the North Country, an estimated 3,000 veterans are unemployed. Unemployment among North Country veterans increased by an estimated 800 over the last year.

County	Number of Veterans	Unemployed Veterans 2009	Unemployed Veterans 2008
Clinton	7,219	527	383
Essex	4,279	312	227
Franklin	4,222	308	224
Hamilton	674	49	36
Jefferson	11,541	843	612
Lewis	2,478	181	131
St. Lawrence	2,903	212	154
Warren	6,823	498	362

County Statistics for the Hudson Valley:

In the Hudson Valley, an estimated 9,500 veterans are unemployed. Unemployment among Hudson Valley veterans increased by an estimated 2,600 over the last year.

County	Number of Veterans	Unemployed Veterans 2009	Unemployed Veterans 2008
Dutchess	20,987	1,532	1,112
Orange	24,388	1,780	1,293
Putnam	6,738	492	357
Rockland	14,288	1,043	757
Sullivan	5,804	424	308
Ulster	13,740	1,003	728
Westchester	44,565	3,253	2,362

County Statistics for Long Island:

On Long Island, an estimated 12,200 veterans are unemployed. Unemployment among Long Island veterans increased by an estimated 3,300 over the last year.

County	Number of Veterans	Unemployed Veterans 2009	Unemployed Veterans 2008
Nassau	75,259	5,494	3,989
Suffolk	91,593	6,686	4,854

**All calculations based on data from the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs and the New York State Department of Labor.*