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Unemployment rates fell in 40 states and the District of Columbia in April, the government reported Friday.

Three states had increases while jobless rates were unchanged in seven states.

The U.S. jobless rate was 7.5 percent in April. Nineteen states had rates significantly lower than the U.S. average last month, the Bureau of Labor Statistics said.

Nevada had the highest unemployment rate in April, 9.6 percent. North Dakota again had the lowest rate at 3.3 percent.