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## Unemployment for Older Workers Edges Higher

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(CLEVELAND) — Despite adding 850,000 jobs in June, last month's unemployment rate moved up to 5.9 percent from May's 5.8 percent according to the latest data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics ([BLS](#)). The nation's older workers also saw their employed numbers rise by three percent.

Unemployment in the 50-54 age range rose by more than 50,000, from 642,000 in May to 693,000 in June – an increase of eight percent. Meanwhile, unemployment for the 55+ age group rose one percent to 1.8 million. Overall, there are more than 2.5 million Americans over the age of 50 without work.

The unemployment percentage rate for workers age 50-54 rose to 4.3 percent in June from an even four percent in May. The unemployment rate for workers 55 over remained steady at 4.9 percent last month.

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