

## Unemployment for Older Workers Mixed

### *Jobless Data for the 55+ Spikes*

(CLEVELAND) — According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics ([BLS](#)), **April** unemployment was unchanged at 4.2 percent while the nation added 177,000 new jobs. Unemployment data for older workers was mixed.

There was good news for the 50-54 age group who saw their numbers fall six percent to 476,000 or 2.9 percent. The 55 and older group didn't fare as well. Their unemployment number rose five percent to 1.2 million or 3.1 percent.

Overall, the number of unemployed over age 50 rose two percent to 1.68 million. Also, the Laborforce Participation Rate edged up for the second month in a row to 62.6 percent from 62.5 percent in March.

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