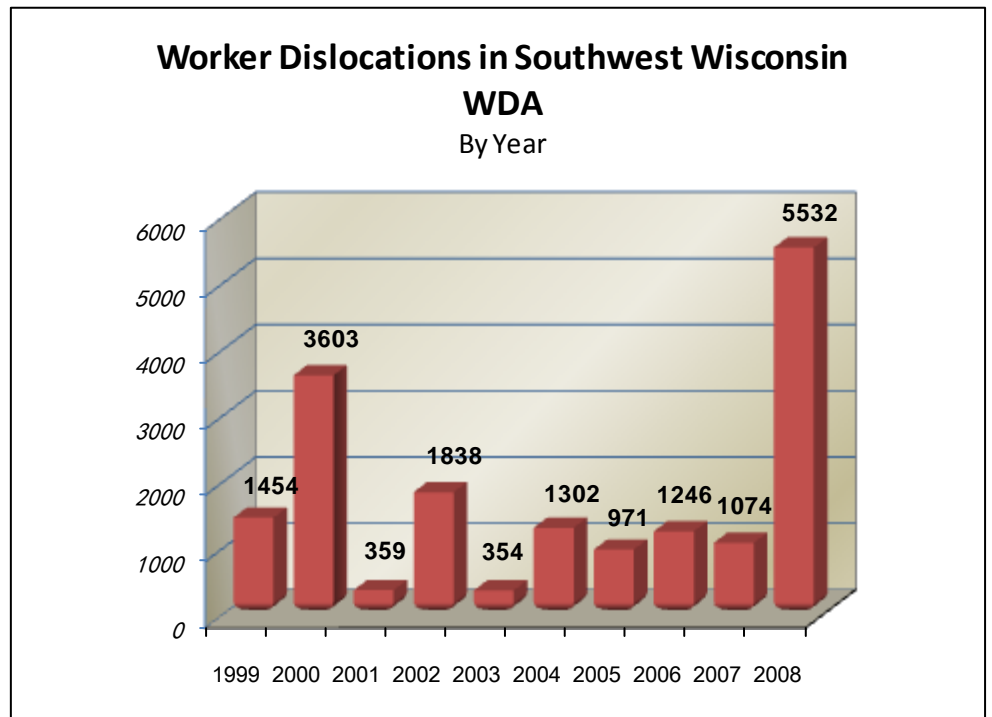


# Workforce Snapshot

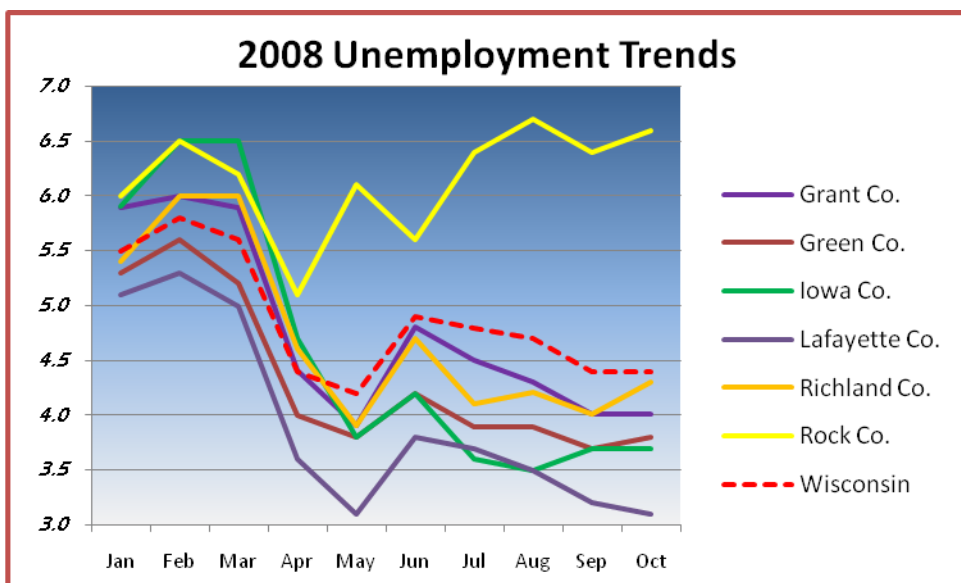
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Dislocations	
Advance Transformer	180
Alcoa	87
Allied Systems	132
Amwood Homes	30
Automated Building	70
Beloit College	40
Blackhawk Cutting	7
Boscobel Area Health	25
Bourns	8
Country Market	20
Chromalox	110
Chrysler	100
Con-Way Freight	44
Eagle Window and Door	90
Flint Special Services	42
Freedom Plastics	25
General Motors	2,191
Gilman	184
Indian Hollow Farms	6
Just In Time Day Care	13
Koschee Transfer	30
Lear Seating	835
Logistic Services Inc.	345
Orchid International	23
Patch Products	5
Ramano Brands	63
S & S Cycle	40
Schuler's Furniture	35
Simmons	116
SSI Tech	4
Stoughton Trailer	184
Stoughton Trucking	62
Weier Motors	6
Woodbridge	80
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,532</b>



Southwest Wisconsin has experienced a dramatic increase in workers dislocations this year, with 5,443 layoffs being reported as of December 1st. This is a 4157% increase over the previous year. In fact the total number of layoffs in 2008 is at a ten year record – in fact the number of dislocations is more than the cumulative total for the last five years in the region. The loss of manufacturing jobs, particularly those in the auto industry, is driving the increase in unemployment.



Interestingly, given economic conditions, unemployment in Wisconsin has trended lower during the year. In southwest Wisconsin there has also been a downward trend in all of the counties except for Rock County. Beloit continues to be distressed with the second highest unemployment rate in Wisconsin with a monthly average of close to 8.5% for the year. Since August, Janesville has had the third highest unemployment in Wisconsin.