

### State unemployment rates down in January 2014

Kentucky's seasonally adjusted preliminary unemployment rate slid to 7.7% in January 2014 down slightly from 7.9% in December 2013, according to the Office of Employment and Training.

The preliminary January 2014 jobless rate was .5 percentage points below the rate for January 2013. Kentucky's civilian labor force showed an increase of just over 3,000 while the number of unemployed Kentuckians was down by 3, 888. Also showing increases since January of 2013 were construction employment, which has risen by 500 jobs and the services sector showed an increase of 700 positions.

The leisure and hospitality sector posted a decline of 100 jobs. Information sector jobs were down by 200 positions, educational and health services were down 800, financial activities lost 1, 300. The most significant drop was seen in the state's professional and business services sector which had lost 12,900 jobs by January 2014.

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The Kentucky State Police is now accepting applications for its 92nd cadet class, which is scheduled to begin on August 3, 2014. Interested applicants should visit the KSP website at [www.kentuckystatepolice.org](http://www.kentuckystatepolice.org). Here you will find an outline of the application process, requirements and disqualifications along with necessary forms.

Be sure to tune in on Monday morning as we will be speaking with Kentucky State Trooper First Class, William Gregory during the 7oclock hour of our morning show. Trooper Gregory will give the details of the new application process along with all the upcoming deadline dates.

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On Tuesday evening, the Glasgow Police Department was called to Wal-Mart in Glasgow in reference to a reported shoplifter. Officer Brandon Fletcher responded and upon arrival was notified by loss prevention employees, that 42 year old Douglas Justice of Horse Cave had been observed shoplifting.

Employees stated that Justice had selected a Reeces and a Gatorade and on his way out of the store flashed the clerk a receipt that was actually for Coleman fuel he had purchased. Officer Fletcher searched Justice for weapons before arrest and located a small plastic bag of white tablets on his person, later identified by Poison Control as Alavert, which does contain pseudoephedrine. Employees stated that Justice was also asking about Drano as well.

Justice was arrested and has been charged with THEFT BY UNLAWFUL TAKING UNDER \$500 and UNLAWFUL POSSESSION OF A METH PRECURSOR.

Early Wednesday afternoon, the Glasgow Police Department was called out to the Barren County Detention Center for a report of contraband. Sgt. Barton, with the GPD had arrested 47 year old Ricky Lyons of Glasgow for a charge of THEFT BY UNLAWFUL TAKING. After arriving at the Detention Center, Staff was searching his property and found a dollar bill folded up that contained an amount of marijuana.

Lyons now faces additional charges of: PROMOTING CONTRABAND 1ST DEGREE and POSSESSION OF MARIJUANA.