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# News

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### **Macomb County has most employed since March 2001**

The most recent jobs update from the Bureau of Labor Statistics shows Macomb County gained 3,286 jobs last month and 15,036 total so far in 2016.

Since Macomb County Executive Mark A. Hackel took office in January 2011, Macomb County has gained 54,138 jobs. In January 2015, the county started off with 383,739 jobs. July figures for 2016 show 409,872 Macomb County residents are employed. This is the highest number of people employed in Macomb County in more than 15 years, dating back to March 2001 when 412,364 people were employed.

“Exciting new sectors of mobility, aerospace, life sciences, information technology, defense and homeland security have emerged alongside our energized manufacturing industry,” said Executive Hackel. “These record-breaking numbers not only look great on paper but are essential to the vitality of our families in our communities.”

The updated job numbers continue the streak of seven continuous years of job growth in Macomb County. More jobs have been added every year since the height of the recession in 2009, when 350,776 people in the county were working. The county peaked in job numbers in May 1999, when 437,251 were employed. At that time, unemployment was at a mere 2.7 percent.

