

## Hound posts 9,000 jobs for Michigan even as the state sends out mixed signals on unemployment rate.

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Pasadena, CA — Michigan, the state with the second-highest unemployment rate in the country at 13.2 percent saw uneven job increases across the state in June.

Data from the state's Labor Department shows that there was an increase in unemployment in nine regions and a decline in seven regions. Ann Arbor recorded the lowest unemployment rate while northeast Lower Peninsula had the highest jobless rate at 14.2 percent. But the state, till recently in the news for the close-down of its auto plants, is making progress in the auto jobs sector too.

A study released by the Anderson Economic Group showed that almost two-thirds of the manufacturing jobs in the state were in advanced manufacturing, which is defined as being those jobs which involve research and design of new products and processes. Ford's new 2011 Ford Explorer model will also add around 500 auto jobs to the state. While, Chrysler has indicated that demand for its new Jeep Grand Cherokee could mean a third shift at its Detroit plant, with a second shift already running since last week.

Adding to the overall good news, Hound, a job search engine, reported that there were over 9,000 jobs in the state. Hound CEO A. Harrison Barnes says. "The best places are Lansing and Kalamazoo. There are jobs in other places too, needing everybody from managers to information technology specialists."

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## **About Hound:**

Hound is the world leader in the monitoring and reporting of jobs on employer websites, through its active and growing research into all employers throughout the world. With over 300 employees working round the clock, Hound goes to employer websites, collects information about job openings, and reports everything it finds to its members. There are over 700,000 employer jobs listed currently on the site.

Hound has been named one of the Top 20 Best Job Sites by PC Magazine, the #1 Job website by Applicant.com and among the 10 Best Online Job Search Sites by geeksugar. Hound is a company owned by Career Mission, one of the world's largest conglomerates of job search-related companies.

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