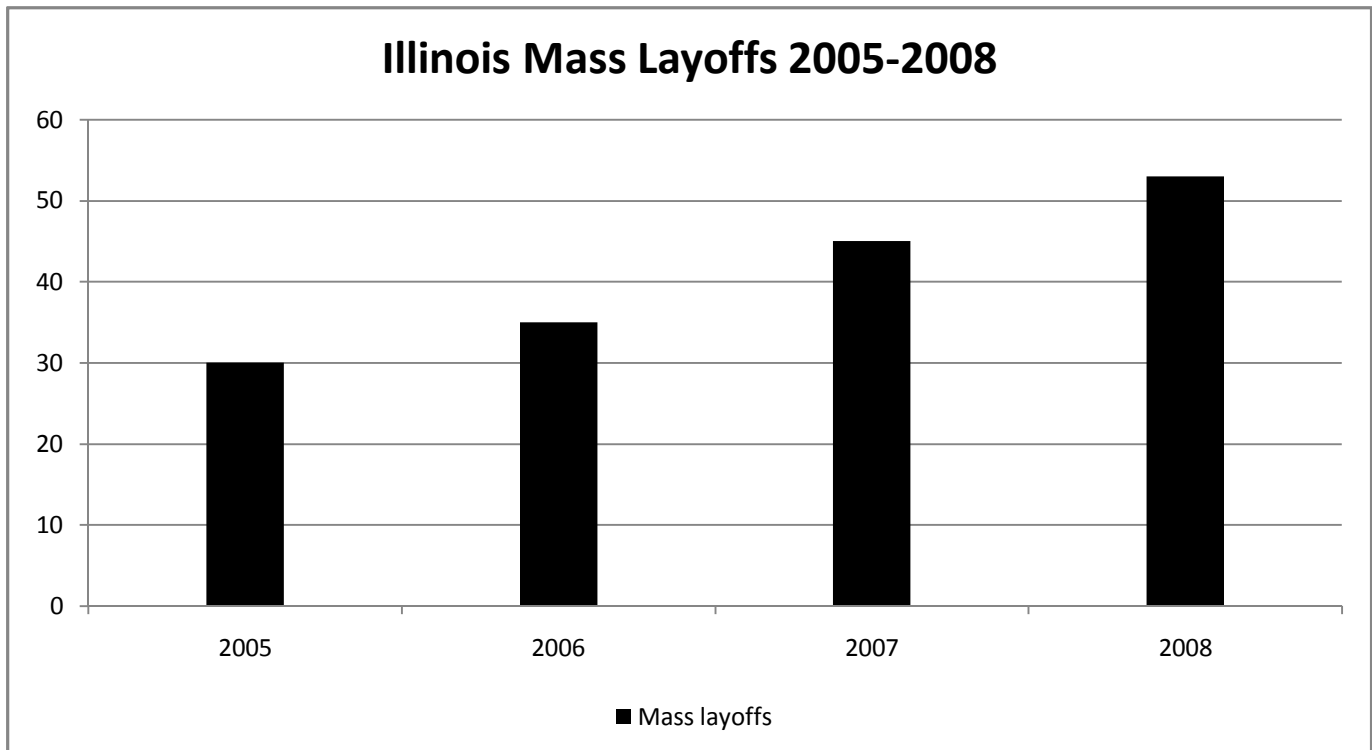


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2008 Layoff Data and Unemployment Insurance Claims by MSA

	Bloomington- Champaign-					
	Normal	Urbana	Chicago	Peoria	Springfield	Illinois
Labor Force	91,064	122,516	4,129,937	205,128	115,331	6,697,300
Unemployment Rate	5.1%	5.7%	6.2%	5.7%	5.9%	6.5%
Total Unemployment Ins. Claims	1,212	1,386	61,155	3,104	1,349	110,718
Male Claimants	815	852	35,461	2,179	752	67,443
Female Claimants	397	534	25,694	925	597	43,275
White Claimants	906	844	27,317	2,554	973	66,590
Black Claimants	242	449	17,879	478	345	24,122
Hispanic Claimants	45	44	43,054	37	12	16,398
Asian Claimants	13	42	2,279	15	18	2,758
Claimants Under age 30	324	373	13,870	774	365	25,271
Claimants Age 30-44	443	515	21,921	1,066	449	39,629
Claimants Age 45-54	303	318	15,744	839	327	28,691
Claimants Age 55 and over	139	179	9,537	422	204	16,984



Source: Illinois Department of Employment Security; Labor Market Information Unit

Note: "Mass Layoffs" describe any layoff event with more than 50 worker separations.