

JOB LOSS & ECONOMIC MELTDOWN

In 2009 Milwaukee County lost over 30,000 jobs – the unemployment rate jumped from 5.5% to 9.2% in just one year.

[Bureau of Labor Statistics, bls.gov]

Took credit for jobs program he vetoed, County board overrode

Walker held a press conference in Milwaukee to tout the very same summer jobs program he tried to kill in his recent budget. Walker vetoed \$100,000 of funding for the program in his 2009 budget, before the County Board overrode his veto, saving the 350 jobs.

[\[Milwaukee Journal Sentinel, 5/29/2009\]](#)

Walker held an outdoor ceremony at Washington Park to take credit for the 350 summer jobs that are being created in the county parks. However, the deadline to apply for the jobs had passed two weeks prior to Walker's ceremony, meaning that the sole purpose of the event was to get Walker's face on TV to boost his flailing campaign for governor. After being inundated with calls, the county was forced to remove the summer job application information from its Web site.

[\[Wisconsin Democratic Party, News Release, 6/1/2009\]](#)

