The unemployment rate for Vermilion Parish in November according to preliminary figures from the La. Employment Office, is up to 21.3% over revised figures for October of 20.4%. Vermilion joins Assumption Parish (24.6%), Catahoula Parish (23.6%), St. Landry Parish (20.4%), West Carroll Parish (23.8%) and St. Mary Parish (23.7%) as the Louisiana Parishes with over 20% unemployment.

Governor Edwin Edwards made the announcement concerning figures for the state of Louisiana. Unemployment in Louisiana during November was up to 13.4%. It was 13.0% in October. The revised November, 1985 rates was 11.3%. The comparable national rate for November was 6.6 percent, compared to 6.6 per cent in October and 6.7 per cent a year ago.

Louisiana is still number one in unemployment in the nation, having paid over $78 million benefi-

(Year: 1986)