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In January...

Nonfarm Employment

Connecticut 1,570,700
 Change over month -0.01%
 Change over year -7.50%

United States 142,631,000
 Change over month +0.03%
 Change over year -6.31%

Unemployment Rate

Connecticut 8.1%
 United States 6.3%

Consumer Price Index

United States 261.582
 Change over year +1.4%

Connecticut's Economy Shrinks Due to the Pandemic in 2020

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Employment fell sharply in Connecticut for the first time since 2010 and the overall economy shrank in 2020. After having increased for eight straight years, the revised annual average total nonfarm employment fell slightly in 2019, and drastically last year, due to the impact from the pandemic. Correspondingly, last year's unemployment rate rose significantly, while after having increased in the last six years, real personal income fell markedly. Not surprisingly the value of annual diffusion index of 58 state economic indicators dropped dramatically as well in 2020.

As in past years, this article focuses on the annual average.

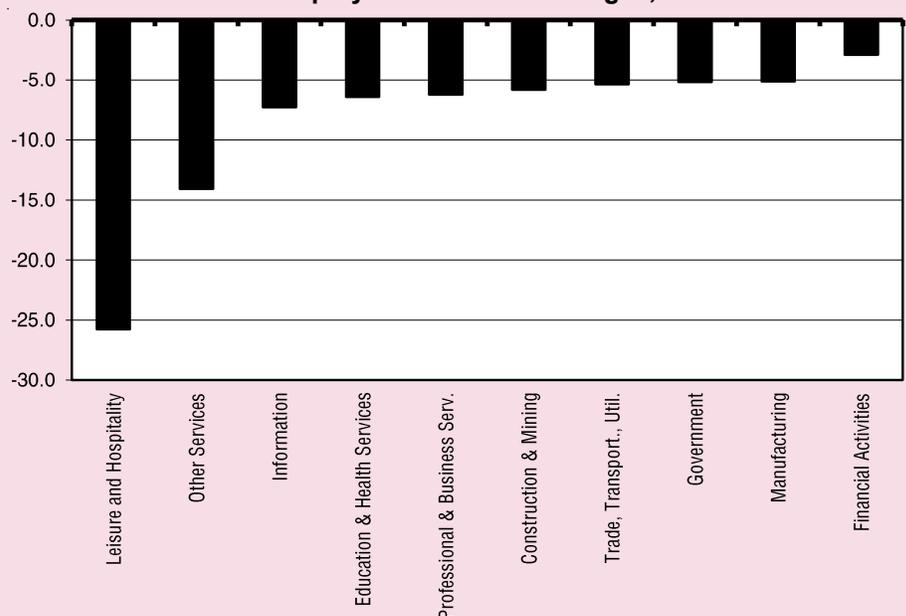
However, 2020 was unusual for many reasons. There were sharp job declines concentrated in a few months in the first half of the year followed by several months of strong growth - although not strong enough to fully overcome the large job losses caused by the pandemic.

Nonfarm Employment

After our latest annual revision (based on annual average, not seasonally adjusted data), in 2020 Connecticut lost 131,400 jobs, or -7.8%. In 2019, 3,400 jobs were lost (-0.2%). Meanwhile, national employment fell 5.8% in 2020 after rising 1.3% in 2019.

As shown in the chart 1, Connecticut has lost many jobs

CHART 1. CT Employment Percent Changes, 2019 to 2020



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in 2020 from the severe impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. All of the ten major industry sectors shed jobs over the year.

Especially hit hard were leisure and hospitality (-25.8%) and other services (-14.1%) with the biggest percentage employment loss. The largest job losses occurred in leisure and hospitality (-40,600), educational and health services (-22,300), and trade, transportation, and utilities (-15,700). The only exception was the increase in jobs in transportation, warehousing, and utilities subsector (+3,800).

Unemployment

Accordingly, unemployment indicators point to a deteriorated labor market situation. Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS) were again revised back to 2010, due to changes in one of the input components, nonfarm employment. The annual average unemployment rate has trended downward over the past nine years, then sharply rose last year, from 3.6% in 2019 to 7.9% in 2020. Meanwhile, the nation's rate increased from 3.7% in 2019 to 8.1% in 2020.

In addition, the U-6 rate, a broader measure of labor underutilization which also includes those who are marginally attached workers and part-timers that want full-time work, shot up from 7.9% in 2019 to 14.1% in 2020 for Connecticut,

the highest rate since 2012's 14.7%. Moreover, the number of average weekly initial claims for unemployment soared sharply in 2020 (12,728) from 2019 (3,443), the highest level in historical data back to 1980. Also, the insured unemployment rate rose from 2.02% in 2019 to 9.06% in 2020, the highest rate since the data going back to 1982.

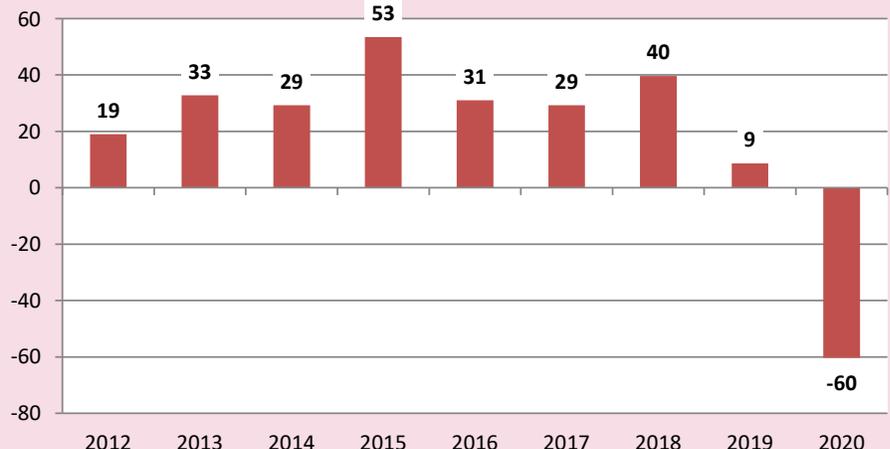
Employment by LMA

In 2020, all of the nine labor market areas (LMAs) in Connecticut lost employment. The biggest job decline occurred in the Norwich-New London-Westerly region (-12.6%). The charts on page 4 also show long-term seasonally adjusted total nonfarm employment trends of Connecticut and all its nine LMAs from 2007 to January 2021.

Other Economic Indicators

In addition to employment and unemployment data, most other economic indicators showed pandemic-related downturn last year. As the table on page 3 shows, inflation-adjusted total personal income and real Unemployment Insurance covered wages of state residents (3-quarter average) fell significantly over the year. Average weekly hours in the manufacturing sector and the Connecticut Manufacturing Production Index declined. New

CHART 2. CT Annual Diffusion Index (ADI) of 58 Economic Indicators, 2012-2020



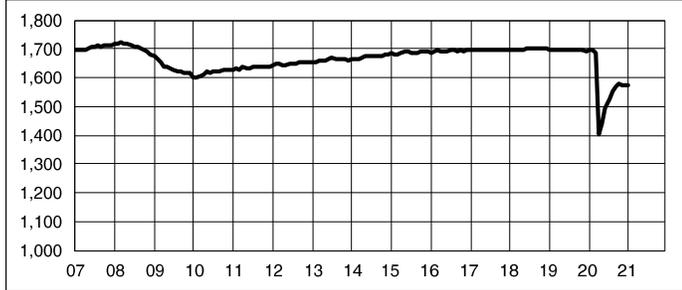
Connecticut Economic Indicators, 2011-2020 (Annual Averages/Totals)

STATEWIDE	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
NONFARM EMPLOYMENT (000s)										
TOTAL NONFARM.....	1,633.8	1,648.2	1,661.2	1,673.2	1,686.9	1,692.5	1,696.6	1,699.5	1,696.1	1,564.7
TOTAL PRIVATE.....	1,386.8	1,402.6	1,415.9	1,428.4	1,443.2	1,451.7	1,458.1	1,463.2	1,460.1	1,340.9
GOODS PRODUCING.....	215.4	213.9	214.2	213.4	215.5	216.3	217.7	220.0	222.1	210.3
SERVICE PROVIDING.....	1,418.4	1,434.3	1,446.9	1,459.9	1,471.4	1,476.3	1,478.9	1,479.5	1,474.0	1,354.3
MINING.....	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.5
CONSTRUCTION.....	51.5	51.4	53.4	55.6	58.0	59.2	58.4	58.8	59.7	56.2
MANUFACTURING.....	163.4	161.9	160.3	157.3	157.0	156.5	158.7	160.7	161.9	153.6
Durable Goods.....	128.5	128.4	127.1	124.1	123.6	122.8	124.3	126.3	127.3	121.5
Non-Durable Goods.....	34.9	33.5	33.1	33.2	33.3	33.7	34.4	34.4	34.6	32.1
TRADE, TRANSPORT, UTILITIES.....	288.0	290.5	293.2	295.0	296.3	297.3	297.1	296.7	292.6	276.9
Wholesale Trade.....	62.2	62.2	62.1	61.8	61.6	61.5	61.5	61.3	59.6	56.0
Retail Trade.....	180.1	181.8	183.1	184.3	184.7	184.7	183.5	180.7	175.7	159.8
Transport, Warehousing, & Utilities.....	45.8	46.6	47.9	48.8	50.1	51.1	52.1	54.7	57.4	61.2
INFORMATION.....	31.4	31.4	32.1	32.1	32.5	32.4	31.6	31.7	31.6	29.3
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES.....	135.0	133.1	130.6	128.7	130.1	129.5	127.9	125.5	123.7	120.1
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERV.....	201.1	207.0	210.2	215.1	219.2	219.1	219.6	221.0	218.9	205.3
EDUCATIONAL & HEALTH SERV.....	318.5	323.0	326.8	331.3	334.6	338.5	342.5	344.7	348.1	325.8
LEISURE AND HOSPITALITY.....	137.1	142.2	146.8	149.9	151.2	154.0	156.6	157.8	157.6	117.0
OTHER SERVICES.....	60.3	61.5	61.9	62.9	63.9	64.7	65.1	65.6	65.4	56.2
GOVERNMENT.....	247.0	245.6	245.2	244.8	243.7	240.9	238.5	236.4	236.0	223.8
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT IN LABOR MARKET AREAS										
Bridgeport-Stamford.....	395.2	400.0	404.5	407.9	411.4	412.1	409.3	409.6	406.9	369.5
Danbury.....	74.1	75.3	76.4	77.5	78.4	78.4	78.0	78.1	77.7	71.0
Hartford.....	555.6	560.6	565.4	571.1	576.7	578.4	581.2	585.1	587.0	546.1
New Haven.....	269.6	274.3	277.4	280.5	283.3	285.8	288.3	290.1	292.1	277.6
Norwich-New London-Westerly.....	129.9	128.8	128.7	127.7	128.1	129.1	130.9	130.6	129.8	113.4
Waterbury.....	66.1	67.2	67.8	68.0	68.1	68.4	68.6	69.6	69.0	63.0
Enfield.....	44.8	45.1	44.5	44.9	45.5	44.9	44.9	44.9	44.6	41.5
Torrington-Northwest.....	32.5	32.7	32.9	33.0	33.1	33.0	32.5	32.8	33.0	30.4
Danielson-Northeast.....	25.9	26.1	26.8	27.2	27.0	27.0	26.9	26.9	27.2	25.3
L EMPLOYEES HOURS & EARNINGS										
Total Private Average Weekly Hours.....	33.9	34.0	33.6	33.6	33.5	33.6	33.7	33.9	33.8	34.1
Real Tot Priv Avg Hrly Earn (82-84\$).....	\$12.56	\$12.26	\$12.01	\$11.90	\$12.29	\$12.68	\$12.71	\$12.76	\$12.91	\$13.16
Real Tot Priv Avg Wkly Earn (82-84\$).....	\$425.63	\$416.72	\$403.37	\$399.72	\$411.87	\$425.95	\$428.49	\$432.50	\$436.47	\$448.62
UNEMPLOYMENT										
Labor Force (000s).....	1,914.4	1,887.5	1,867.4	1,889.1	1,892.1	1,893.2	1,903.3	1,905.4	1,917.3	1,872.6
Employed (000s).....	1,742.0	1,729.7	1,718.8	1,764.1	1,785.8	1,801.4	1,819.4	1,831.0	1,848.5	1,724.6
Unemployed (000s).....	172.5	157.9	148.5	125.0	106.3	91.8	83.9	74.4	68.8	148.0
Unemployment Rate.....	9.0%	8.4%	8.0%	6.6%	5.6%	4.9%	4.4%	3.9%	3.6%	7.9%
Average Weekly Initial Claims.....	5,450	5,081	4,792	4,290	3,910	3,879	3,716	3,515	3,443	12,728
Insured Unemployment Rate.....	3.79%	3.57%	3.34%	3.02%	2.61%	2.50%	2.36%	2.18%	2.02%	9.06%
U-6 Rate.....	15.4%	14.7%	13.9%	12.6%	10.9%	10.8%	10.1%	8.9%	7.9%	14.1%
MANUFACTURING ACTIVITY										
Average Weekly Hours.....	40.6	40.5	41.1	40.8	40.5	42.6	41.6	41.5	42.3	40.6
Real Average Hourly Earnings (82-84\$).....	\$11.19	\$10.58	\$9.50	\$9.62	\$11.07	\$11.41	\$10.46	\$10.94	\$10.92	\$11.51
Real Average Weekly Earnings (82-84\$).....	\$454.26	\$428.68	\$390.51	\$392.44	\$448.38	\$486.13	\$435.21	\$453.90	\$461.72	\$467.12
CT Mfg. Production Index (2009=100).....	105.6	109.7	110.6	108.4	108.1	101.8	97.8	96.8	96.7	93.2
INCOME (mil.\$)										
Real Personal Income, SA (1982-84 \$).....	\$101,792	\$101,628	\$98,075	\$100,957	\$103,471	\$104,238	\$104,581	\$106,467	\$107,784	\$82,641
Real UI Covered Wages, SA (1982-84 \$).....	\$45,131	\$45,398	\$45,267	\$46,043	\$47,416	\$47,189	\$46,806	\$46,606	\$47,077	\$34,367
OTHER ECONOMIC INDICATORS										
New Housing Permits.....	3,113	5,240	5,762	5,297	5,883	5,341	4,606	4,570	6,481	5,767
Construction Contracts (1980=100).....	283.4	269.2	389.2	320.6	412.6	322.1	451.3	373.3	365.8	374.6
New Auto Registrations.....	178,571	186,452	195,819	197,779	168,269	267,284	223,577	222,223	211,264	171,479
Exports (bil.\$).....	\$16.23	\$15.87	\$16.43	\$15.96	\$15.24	\$14.39	\$14.78	\$17.40	\$16.24	\$13.80
S&P 500: Monthly Close (December).....	1,257.60	1,426.19	1,848.36	2,058.90	2,043.94	2,238.83	2,673.61	2,506.85	3,230.78	3,756.07
Total All Taxes (mil.\$).....	\$14,337.7	\$15,825.5	\$16,892.6	\$16,379.1	\$18,563.9	\$17,302.4	\$17,770.1	\$19,854.9	\$19,992.0	\$19,749.4
Corporate Tax (mil.\$).....	\$801.0	\$717.5	\$852.5	\$691.3	\$846.3	\$988.6	\$968.9	\$1,297.2	\$2,376.3	\$2,261.0
Personal Income Tax (mil.\$).....	\$7,672.3	\$8,300.6	\$8,819.3	\$8,790.7	\$9,913.9	\$9,158.5	\$9,436.0	\$10,496.8	\$9,508.1	\$9,524.0
Real Estate Conveyance Tax (mil.\$).....	\$112.1	\$140.4	\$168.7	\$182.8	\$212.6	\$207.5	\$201.5	\$212.2	\$217.3	\$258.9
Sales & Use Tax (mil.\$).....	\$3,532.1	\$3,958.4	\$4,079.0	\$4,134.8	\$4,690.0	\$4,283.4	\$4,359.0	\$4,707.0	\$4,822.9	\$4,832.7
Gaming Payments (mil.\$).....	\$354.6	\$318.7	\$289.3	\$273.0	\$266.0	\$266.5	\$273.7	\$266.1	\$247.8	\$165.5
Occupancy Rate.....	58.6%	58.3%	58.8%	59.6%	60.2%	60.6%	61.6%	62.1%	62.6%	40.4%
Gaming Slots (mil.\$).....	\$16,306.0	\$14,772.0	\$13,778.1	\$13,066.4	\$12,837.9	\$13,032.0	\$13,348.8	\$13,051.2	\$12,047.3	\$7,807.7

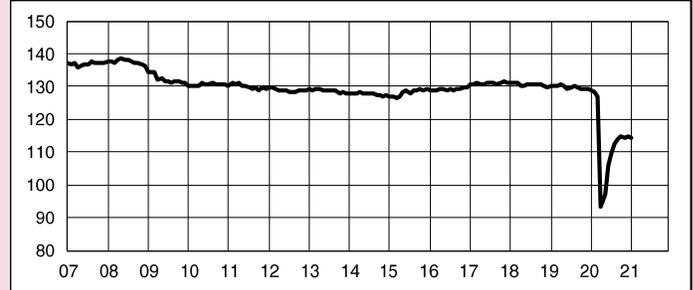
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Seasonally Adjusted Nonfarm Employment Trends by Labor Market Area, 2007 - Jan. 2021

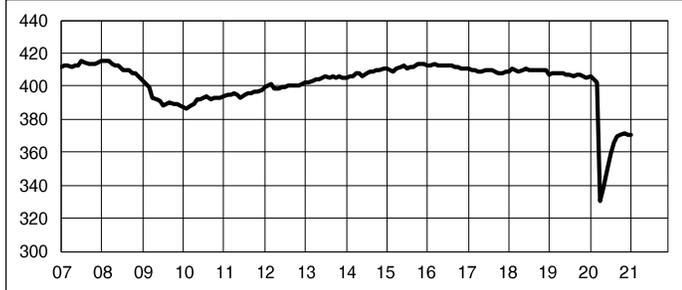
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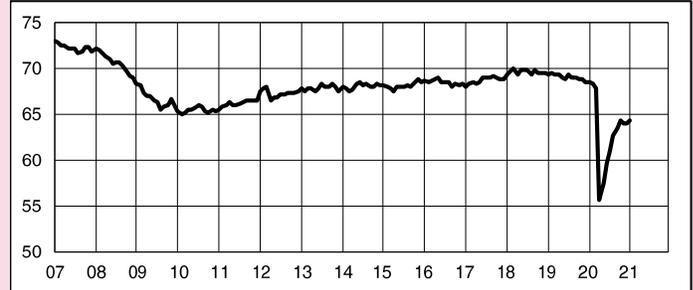
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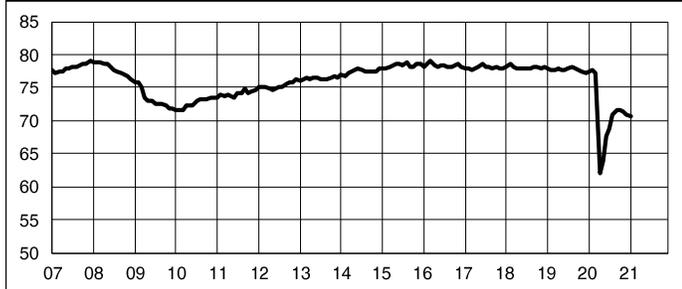
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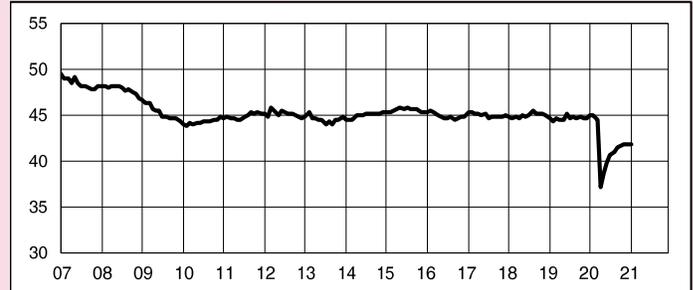
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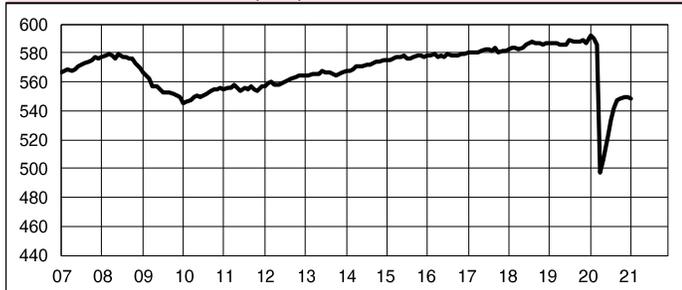
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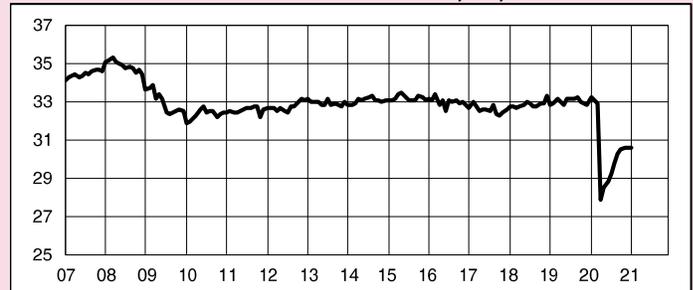
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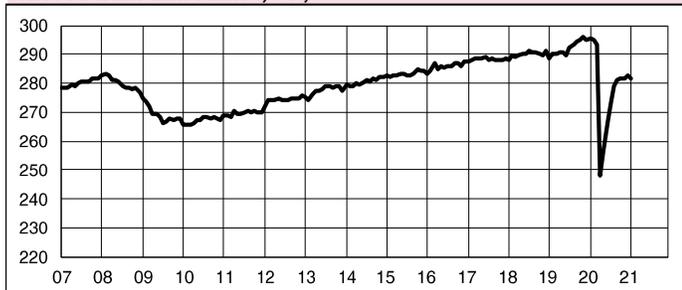
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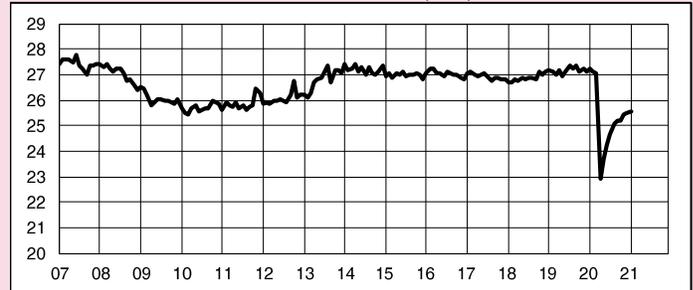
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* Unofficial seasonally adjusted estimates produced by the Connecticut Department of Labor

housing permits, new auto registrations, exports, total taxes collected, occupancy rate, and gaming slots all fell over the year. Real total private sector average weekly earnings, construction contracts, and the stock market, however, did manage to stay positive last year.

Annual Diffusion Index

An Annual Diffusion Index (ADI) is one way to measure overall economic activity by summarizing all 58 economic indicators on page 3. For each economic indicator, the movement is up, down, or unchanged over the year. Results are reported as a diffusion index that is calculated by subtracting the share of indicators with negative economic movement from the share that moved in a positive economic direction.

For example, out of 58 indicators, 33 (57%) went up and 22 (38%) went down, and three were unchanged in 2012. The ADI is then calculated by subtracting 38 from 57, resulting in an indicator of 19. If an ADI is positive, then that is generally interpreted as an expansion in economic activity (because more indicators are improving), while negative values are interpreted as a contraction (because more indicators are deteriorating) for that year. As Chart 2 shows, the revised ADI weakened significantly in 2019 (+9), and then precipitously dropped to a contraction territory in 2020 (-60), as evidenced by the negative impact of the COVID pandemic.

Looking Ahead

Last year was undoubtedly an unprecedented year for both Connecticut and the nation. However, as the pandemic draws to an end, jobs in many sectors, especially leisure and hospitality and retail trade, should return and overall economy should rebound. It was also announced in the media that General Dynamics Electric Boat of Groton will be hiring thousands of employees over the next ten years, due to the unprecedented buildup in submarine production. Though the employment recovery in Connecticut and the country may not come back to the pre-pandemic level for a while, there is finally light at the end of the tunnel and better days are ahead. ■

GENERAL ECONOMIC INDICATORS

<i>(Seasonally adjusted)</i>	4Q	4Q	YoY CHG		3Q	QoQ CHG	
	2020	2019	NO.	%	2020	NO.	%
General Drift Indicator (2007=100)*							
Leading	105.6	115.2	-9.6	-8.3	106.2	-0.6	-0.5
Coincident	91.7	94.9	-3.2	-3.4	91.4	0.3	0.34
Real Gross Domestic Product**							
<i>(2012 Chained \$, SAAR)</i>							
Connecticut (\$ in millions)	242,765.5	251,046.5	-8,281.0	-3.3	226,222.0	16,543.5	7.3
United States (\$ in millions)	18,596,521	19,141,744	-545,223	-2.8	17,302,511	1,294,010	7.5
New England (\$ in millions)	958,935.4	992,084.5	-33,149.1	-3.3	890,906.1	68,029.3	7.6
Per Capita Personal Income**							
<i>(Current \$, SAAR)</i>							
Connecticut	80,530	77,132	3,398	4.4	81,437	-907	-1.1
United States	60,320	56,592	3,728	6.6	62,017	-1,697	-2.7
New England	74,900	69,706	5,194	7.5	77,594	-2,694	-3.5
Philadelphia Fed's Coincident Index (2007=100)***							
Connecticut	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
United States	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

Sources: *Dr. Steven P. Lanza, University of Connecticut **U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis ***Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia

General Drift Indicators are composite measures of the four-quarter change in three coincident (Connecticut Manufacturing Production Index, nonfarm employment, and real personal income) and three leading (housing permits, manufacturing average weekly hours, and initial unemployment claims) economic variables, and are indexed so 2007 = 100.

The **Philadelphia Fed's Coincident Index** summarizes current economic condition by using four coincident variables: nonfarm payroll employment, average hours worked in manufacturing, the unemployment rate, and wage and salary disbursements deflated by the consumer price index (U.S. city average).

Total nonfarm
employment decreased
over the year.

EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY SECTOR

	Jan	Jan	CHANGE		Dec
	2021	2020	NO.	%	2020
(Seasonally adjusted; 000s)					
TOTAL NONFARM	1,570.7	1,698.0	-127.3	-7.5	1,570.8
Natural Res & Mining	0.4	0.6	-0.2	-33.3	0.5
Construction	56.1	58.8	-2.7	-4.6	56.7
Manufacturing	152.7	160.8	-8.1	-5.0	152.9
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	289.9	293.9	-4.0	-1.4	287.5
Information	27.8	31.4	-3.6	-11.5	29.2
Financial Activities	119.5	122.9	-3.4	-2.8	119.8
Professional and Business Services	202.9	219.4	-16.5	-7.5	203.6
Education and Health Services	324.2	350.8	-26.6	-7.6	323.0
Leisure and Hospitality	118.5	157.6	-39.1	-24.8	118.9
Other Services	58.1	65.6	-7.5	-11.4	57.6
Government*	220.6	236.2	-15.6	-6.6	221.1

Source: Connecticut Department of Labor * Includes Native American tribal government employment

Average weekly initial
claims rose from a year
ago.

UNEMPLOYMENT

	Jan	Jan	CHANGE		Dec
	2021	2020	NO.	%	2020
(Seasonally adjusted)					
Labor Force, resident (000s)	1,839.8	1,921.0	-81.2	-4.2	1,843.0
Employed (000s)	1,690.5	1,850.7	-160.2	-8.7	1,691.0
Unemployed (000s)	149.2	70.3	78.9	112.2	152.0
Unemployment Rate (%)	8.1	3.7	4.4	---	8.2
Labor Force Participation Rate (%)	63.9	66.6	-2.7	---	64.0
Employment-Population Ratio (%)	58.7	64.1	-5.4	---	58.7
Average Weekly Initial Claims	8,040	3,079	4,960	161.1	4,493
Avg. Insured Unemp. Rate (%)	4.17	1.77	2.40	---	4.09
	2020	2019			3Q 2020
U-6 Rate (%)	14.1	7.9	6.2	---	12.8

Sources: Connecticut Department of Labor; U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

The production worker
weekly earnings fell over
the year.

MANUFACTURING ACTIVITY

	Jan	Jan	CHANGE		Dec	Nov
	2021	2020	NO.	%	2020	2020
(Not seasonally adjusted)						
Production Worker Avg Wkly Hours	39.4	41.5	-2.1	-5.1	40.5	--
Prod. Worker Avg Hourly Earnings	28.96	28.04	0.92	3.3	28.50	--
Prod. Worker Avg Weekly Earnings	1,141.02	1,163.66	-22.64	-1.9	1,154.25	--
CT Mfg. Prod. Index, NSA (2009=100)	94.6	96.5	-1.9	-2.0	94.8	92.8
Production Worker Hours (000s)	3,786	3,632	154	4.3	3,861	--
Industrial Electricity Sales (mil kWh)*	231	249	-17.7	-7.1	230	225
CT Mfg. Prod. Index, SA (2009=100)	99.3	98.9	0.3	0.3	94.4	93.4

Sources: Connecticut Department of Labor; U.S. Department of Energy

*Latest two months are forecasted.

Personal income for third
quarter 2020 increased
4.3 percent from a year
earlier.

INCOME

	3Q	3Q	CHANGE		2Q
	2020	2019	NO.	%	2020
(\$ Millions, SA, annualized)					
Personal Income	\$286,780.1	\$275,013.8	\$11,766.3	4.3	\$290,040.1
Wages and Salaries	\$120,549.6	\$119,514.9	\$1,034.7	0.9	\$113,815.9

Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis

BUSINESS ACTIVITY

New auto registrations decreased over the year.

	MONTH	LEVEL	YY % CHG	YEAR TO DATE		% CHG
				CURRENT	PRIOR	
New Housing Permits*	Jan 2021	241	-13.3	241	278	-13.3
Electricity Sales (mil kWh)	Dec 2020	2,380	-5.6	27,013	27,900	-3.2
Construction Contracts Index (1980=100)	Jan 2021	182.8	-44.1	---	---	---
New Auto Registrations	Jan 2021	17,765	-0.4	17,765	17,836	-0.4
Exports (Bil. \$)	4Q 2020	3.27	-20.4	13.80	16.24	-15.0
S&P 500: Monthly Close	Jan 2021	3,714.24	15.2	---	---	---

Sources: Connecticut Department of Economic and Community Development; U.S. Department of Energy, Energy Information Administration; Connecticut Department of Revenue Services; F.W. Dodge; Connecticut Department of Motor Vehicles; Wisetrade.org

* Estimated by the Bureau of the Census

BUSINESS STARTS AND TERMINATIONS

Net business formation, as measured by starts minus stops registered with the Secretary of the State, was up over the year.

	MO/QTR	LEVEL	YY % CHG	YEAR TO DATE		% CHG
				CURRENT	PRIOR	
STARTS						
Secretary of the State	Jan 2021	4,452	31.9	4,452	3,375	31.9
Department of Labor	2Q 2020	2,050	-22.9	5,232	6,109	-14.4
TERMINATIONS						
Secretary of the State	Jan 2021	1,116	-18.1	1,116	1,363	-18.1
Department of Labor	2Q 2020	1,731	-17.6	3,805	4,054	-6.1

Sources: Connecticut Secretary of the State; Connecticut Department of Labor

STATE REVENUES

Gaming payments were down from a year ago.

	Jan		% CHG	YEAR TO DATE		% CHG
	2021	2020		CURRENT	PRIOR	
<i>(Millions of dollars)</i>						
TOTAL ALL REVENUES*	2,176.6	2,322.1	-6.3	2,176.6	2,322.1	-6.3
Corporate Tax	262.0	176.0	48.9	262.0	176.0	48.9
Personal Income Tax	1,167.3	1,139.6	2.4	1,167.3	1,139.6	2.4
Real Estate Conv. Tax	27.3	17.3	57.8	27.3	17.3	57.8
Sales & Use Tax	367.3	508.8	-27.8	367.3	508.8	-27.8
Gaming Payments**	17.4	19.3	-9.7	17.4	19.3	-9.7

Sources: Connecticut Department of Revenue Services; Division of Special Revenue

*Includes all sources of revenue; Only selected sources are displayed; Most July receipts are credited to the prior fiscal year and are not shown. **See page 23 for explanation.

TOURISM AND TRAVEL

Gaming slots fell over the year.

	MONTH	LEVEL	YY % CHG	YEAR TO DATE		% CHG
				CURRENT	PRIOR	
Occupancy Rate (%)*	Jan 2021	38.0	-20.7	38.0	47.9	-20.7
Tourism Website Visitors	Jan 2021	220,905	-19.5	220,905	274,492	-19.5
Air Passenger Count	Jan 2021	160,577	-67.0	160,577	487,315	-67.0
Gaming Slots (Mil.\$)***	Jan 2021	733.3	-21.2	733.3	930.6	-21.2

Sources: Connecticut Department of Transportation, Bureau of Aviation and Ports; Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism; Division of Special Revenue

*STR, Inc. Due to layoffs, Info Center Visitors data are no longer published.

***See page 23 for explanation

Compensation cost for the nation rose 2.6 percent over the year.

EMPLOYMENT COST INDEX

Private Industry Workers (Dec. 2005 = 100)	Seasonally Adjusted			Not Seasonally Adjusted		
	Dec 2020	Sep 2020	3-Mo % Chg	Dec 2020	Dec 2019	12-Mo % Chg
UNITED STATES TOTAL	141.8	140.6	0.9	141.6	138.0	2.6
Wages and Salaries	142.8	141.5	0.9	142.6	138.7	2.8
Benefit Costs	139.4	138.5	0.6	139.1	136.2	2.1
NORTHEAST TOTAL	---	---	---	144.0	140.7	2.3
Wages and Salaries	---	---	---	144.1	140.7	2.4

Source: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics

U.S. inflation rate was up by 1.4 percent over the year.

CONSUMER NEWS

(Not seasonally adjusted)	MO/QTR	LEVEL	% CHANGE	
			Y/Y	P/P*
CONSUMER PRICES				
CPI-U (1982-84=100)				
U.S. City Average	Jan 2021	261.582	1.4	0.4
Purchasing Power of \$ (1982-84=\$1.00)	Jan 2021	0.382	-1.4	-0.4
Northeast Region	Jan 2021	275.427	1.1	0.4
New York-Newark-Jersey City	Jan 2021	285.525	1.2	0.4
Boston-Cambridge-Newton**	Jan 2021	286.615	0.5	0.7
CPI-W (1982-84=100)				
U.S. City Average	Jan 2021	255.296	1.6	0.5

Source: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics

*Change over prior monthly or quarterly period

**The Boston CPI can be used as a proxy for New England and is measured every other month.

Conventional mortgage rate rose to 2.74 percent over the month.

INTEREST RATES

(Percent)	Jan 2021	Dec 2020	Jan 2020
Prime	3.25	3.25	4.75
Federal Funds	0.09	0.09	1.55
3 Month Treasury Bill	0.08	0.09	1.55
6 Month Treasury Bill	0.09	0.09	1.56
1 Year Treasury Note	0.10	0.10	1.53
3 Year Treasury Note	0.20	0.19	1.52
5 Year Treasury Note	0.45	0.39	1.56
7 Year Treasury Note	0.77	0.66	1.67
10 Year Treasury Note	1.08	0.93	1.76
20 Year Treasury Note	1.63	1.47	2.07
Conventional Mortgage	2.74	2.68	3.62

Sources: Federal Reserve; Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp.

NONFARM EMPLOYMENT

All nine states in the region lost jobs over the year.

<i>(Seasonally adjusted; 000s)</i>	Jan	Jan	CHANGE		Dec
	2021	2020	NO.	%	2020
Connecticut	1,570.7	1,698.0	-127.3	-7.5	1,570.8
Maine	603.2	641.0	-37.8	-5.9	601.2
Massachusetts	3,391.8	3,726.0	-334.2	-9.0	3,356.3
New Hampshire	648.1	687.2	-39.1	-5.7	639.3
New Jersey	3,865.8	4,227.1	-361.3	-8.5	3,864.9
New York	8,766.0	9,831.2	-1,065.2	-10.8	8,723.3
Pennsylvania	5,638.1	6,093.1	-455.0	-7.5	5,602.4
Rhode Island	462.3	505.8	-43.5	-8.6	457.8
Vermont	287.1	314.8	-27.7	-8.8	286.1
United States	142,631.0	152,234.0	-9,603.0	-6.3	142,582.0

Source: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics

LABOR FORCE

All states posted decreases in the labor force from last year.

<i>(Seasonally adjusted)</i>	Jan	Jan	CHANGE		Dec
	2021	2020	NO.	%	2020
Connecticut	1,839,774	1,921,041	-81,267	-4.2	1,842,967
Maine	671,418	699,646	-28,228	-4.0	666,913
Massachusetts	3,756,697	3,763,790	-7,093	-0.2	3,753,070
New Hampshire	762,943	773,561	-10,618	-1.4	763,394
New Jersey	4,407,335	4,580,764	-173,429	-3.8	4,377,299
New York	9,284,186	9,518,110	-233,924	-2.5	9,290,419
Pennsylvania	6,295,363	6,532,104	-236,741	-3.6	6,310,050
Rhode Island	540,279	562,012	-21,733	-3.9	538,617
Vermont	314,630	343,628	-28,998	-8.4	316,150
United States	160,161,000	164,455,000	-4,294,000	-2.6	160,567,000

Source: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics

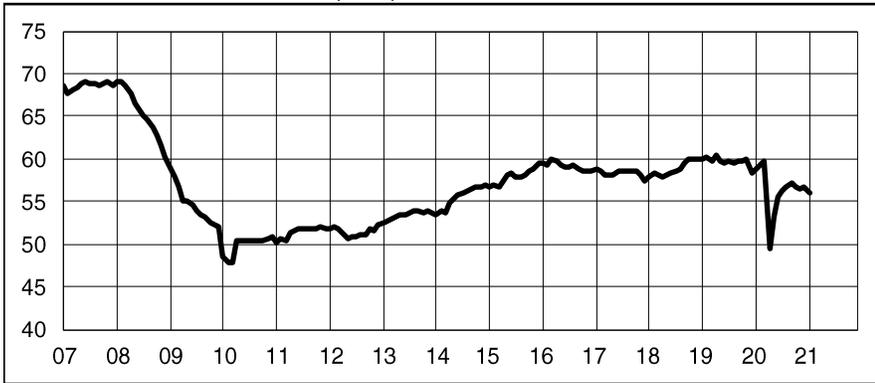
UNEMPLOYMENT RATES

All states showed an increase in its unemployment rate over the year.

<i>(Seasonally adjusted)</i>	Jan	Jan	CHANGE		Dec
	2021	2020	NO.	%	2020
Connecticut	8.1	3.7	4.4		8.2
Maine	5.2	3.0	2.2		5.0
Massachusetts	7.8	2.8	5.0		8.4
New Hampshire	3.6	2.6	1.0		3.8
New Jersey	7.9	3.7	4.2		7.7
New York	8.8	3.8	5.0		8.7
Pennsylvania	7.3	4.8	2.5		7.1
Rhode Island	7.2	3.8	3.4		7.9
Vermont	3.2	2.5	0.7		3.5
United States	6.3	3.5	2.8		6.7

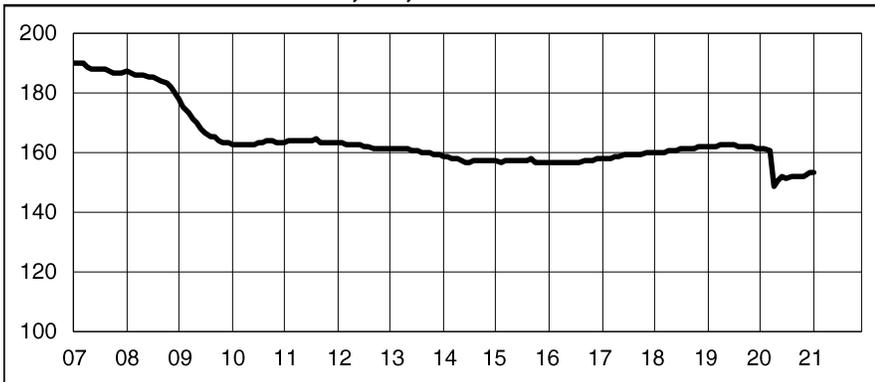
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CONSTRUCTION EMP., SA, 000s



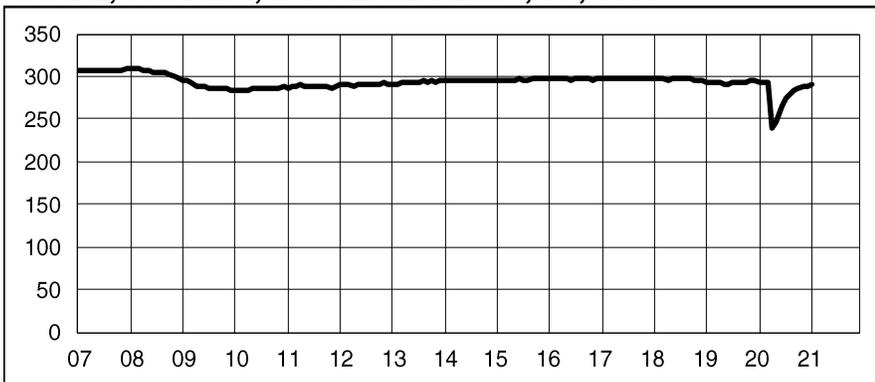
Month	2019	2020	2021
Jan	60.0	58.8	56.1
Feb	60.1	59.3	
Mar	59.8	59.8	
Apr	60.5	49.5	
May	59.8	53.3	
Jun	59.6	55.5	
Jul	59.8	56.2	
Aug	59.6	56.6	
Sep	59.8	57.2	
Oct	59.7	56.8	
Nov	59.9	56.4	
Dec	58.4	56.7	

MANUFACTURING EMP., SA, 000s



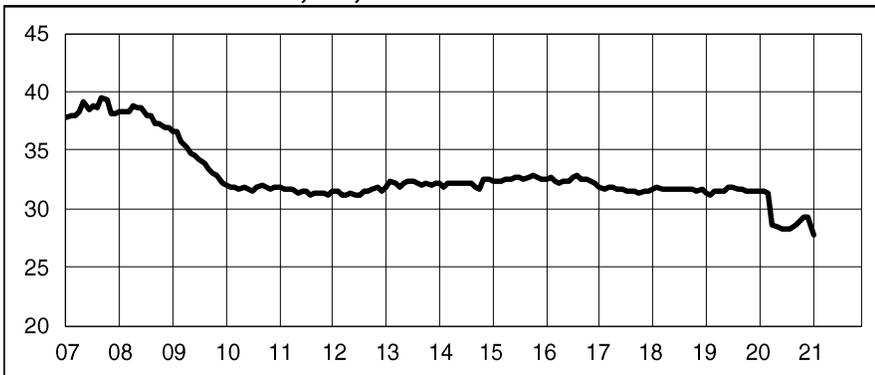
Month	2019	2020	2021
Jan	161.9	160.8	152.7
Feb	161.8	160.9	
Mar	162.0	160.1	
Apr	162.1	148.2	
May	162.2	150.6	
Jun	162.3	151.9	
Jul	162.3	151.3	
Aug	161.9	151.5	
Sep	162.0	152.0	
Oct	161.8	151.4	
Nov	161.6	151.6	
Dec	160.8	152.9	

TRADE, TRANSP., & UTILITIES EMP., SA, 000s



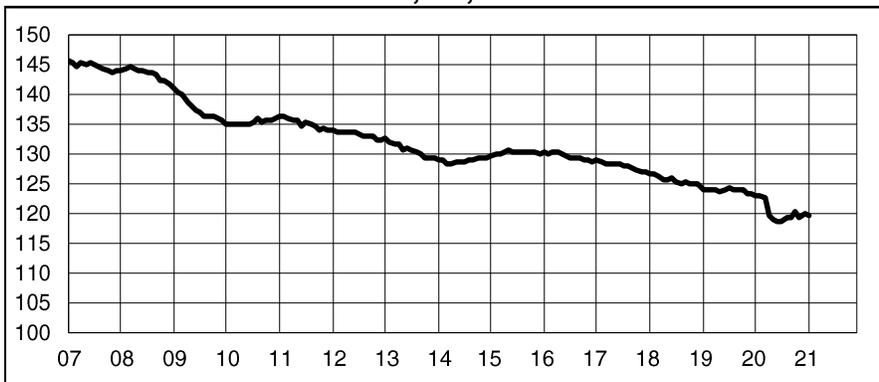
Month	2019	2020	2021
Jan	293.3	293.9	289.9
Feb	292.8	293.2	
Mar	292.2	293.1	
Apr	292.0	238.4	
May	291.6	246.9	
Jun	290.5	265.4	
Jul	291.7	274.1	
Aug	292.3	278.7	
Sep	292.5	282.8	
Oct	293.3	287.0	
Nov	294.2	288.4	
Dec	294.5	287.5	

INFORMATION EMP., SA, 000s



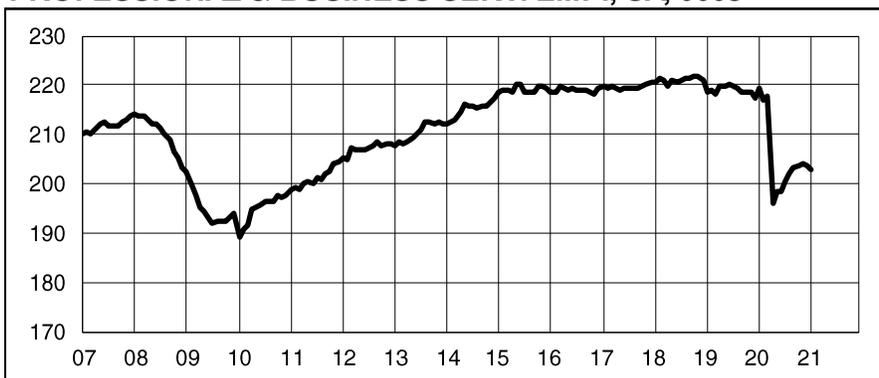
Month	2019	2020	2021
Jan	31.3	31.4	27.8
Feb	31.2	31.4	
Mar	31.5	31.3	
Apr	31.4	28.6	
May	31.5	28.4	
Jun	31.8	28.2	
Jul	31.8	28.2	
Aug	31.7	28.2	
Sep	31.7	28.6	
Oct	31.4	29.0	
Nov	31.5	29.2	
Dec	31.4	29.2	

FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES EMP., SA, 000s



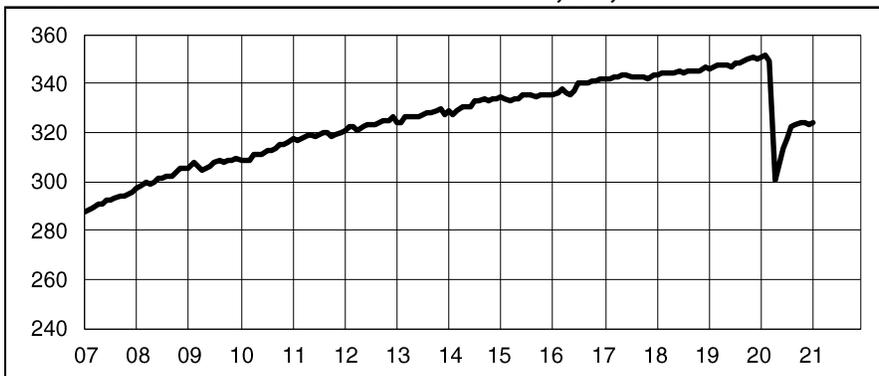
Month	2019	2020	2021
Jan	124.0	122.9	119.5
Feb	124.0	122.8	
Mar	123.8	122.5	
Apr	123.7	119.4	
May	123.6	119.0	
Jun	123.7	118.4	
Jul	124.2	118.6	
Aug	123.8	119.1	
Sep	123.7	119.1	
Oct	123.7	120.1	
Nov	123.3	119.3	
Dec	123.2	119.8	

PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERV. EMP., SA, 000s



Month	2019	2020	2021
Jan	218.4	219.4	202.9
Feb	219.0	216.8	
Mar	218.2	217.8	
Apr	219.8	195.8	
May	219.7	198.4	
Jun	220.0	198.5	
Jul	219.9	200.6	
Aug	219.2	201.9	
Sep	218.7	203.2	
Oct	218.7	203.5	
Nov	218.4	204.2	
Dec	217.2	203.6	

EDUCATIONAL & HEALTH SERV. EMP., SA, 000s



Month	2019	2020	2021
Jan	346.1	350.8	324.2
Feb	346.6	351.6	
Mar	347.5	348.8	
Apr	347.3	300.5	
May	347.3	306.9	
Jun	346.8	313.7	
Jul	348.0	317.3	
Aug	348.1	322.3	
Sep	348.9	323.4	
Oct	349.8	324.2	
Nov	351.0	324.0	
Dec	350.2	323.0	

GOVERNMENT EMP., SA, 000s



Month	2019	2020	2021
Jan	235.9	236.2	220.6
Feb	236.3	235.8	
Mar	236.2	234.4	
Apr	236.1	213.2	
May	236.6	211.3	
Jun	235.1	216.3	
Jul	236.4	218.5	
Aug	234.9	221.3	
Sep	236.7	224.9	
Oct	236.2	225.4	
Nov	236.2	225.2	
Dec	234.6	221.1	

*Includes Indian tribal government employment

CONNECTICUT*Not Seasonally Adjusted*

	Jan 2021	Jan 2020	CHANGE		Dec 2020
			NO.	%	
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT	1,547,300	1,676,700	-129,400	-7.7	1,590,200
TOTAL PRIVATE	1,325,000	1,438,200	-113,200	-7.9	1,363,400
GOODS PRODUCING INDUSTRIES	203,600	214,200	-10,600	-4.9	209,700
CONSTRUCTION, NAT. RES. & MINING	51,600	54,100	-2,500	-4.6	56,600
MANUFACTURING	152,000	160,100	-8,100	-5.1	153,100
Durable Goods	120,600	125,900	-5,300	-4.2	120,800
Fabricated Metal.....	26,900	29,300	-2,400	-8.2	27,300
Machinery.....	12,700	13,300	-600	-4.5	12,800
Computer and Electronic Product.....	10,100	10,600	-500	-4.7	10,100
Transportation Equipment.....	45,500	46,900	-1,400	-3.0	45,400
Aerospace Product and Parts.....	30,800	32,000	-1,200	-3.8	30,900
Non-Durable Goods	31,400	34,200	-2,800	-8.2	32,300
Chemical.....	7,100	7,800	-700	-9.0	7,300
SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES	1,343,700	1,462,500	-118,800	-8.1	1,380,500
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, UTILITIES	289,000	295,100	-6,100	-2.1	300,400
Wholesale Trade.....	53,900	58,500	-4,600	-7.9	55,600
Retail Trade.....	165,300	174,200	-8,900	-5.1	170,800
Motor Vehicle and Parts Dealers.....	19,800	21,700	-1,900	-8.8	19,800
Building Material.....	14,700	13,800	900	6.5	15,700
Food and Beverage Stores.....	42,600	41,900	700	1.7	42,400
General Merchandise Stores.....	26,600	28,400	-1,800	-6.3	29,400
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities....	69,800	62,400	7,400	11.9	74,000
Utilities.....	5,100	5,100	0	0.0	5,100
Transportation and Warehousing.....	64,700	57,300	7,400	12.9	68,900
INFORMATION	27,600	31,200	-3,600	-11.5	29,200
Telecommunications.....	6,200	6,500	-300	-4.6	6,200
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	119,000	122,000	-3,000	-2.5	120,100
Finance and Insurance.....	101,000	102,300	-1,300	-1.3	101,300
Credit Intermediation and Related.....	21,700	22,200	-500	-2.3	21,800
Financial Investments and Related.....	21,800	21,800	0	0.0	21,800
Insurance Carriers & Related Activities....	57,500	58,300	-800	-1.4	57,700
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing.....	18,000	19,700	-1,700	-8.6	18,800
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	197,300	213,700	-16,400	-7.7	204,900
Professional, Scientific.....	90,400	96,100	-5,700	-5.9	92,400
Legal Services.....	11,300	12,300	-1,000	-8.1	11,500
Computer Systems Design.....	21,400	23,300	-1,900	-8.2	21,800
Management of Companies.....	32,100	33,200	-1,100	-3.3	32,100
Administrative and Support.....	74,800	84,400	-9,600	-11.4	80,400
Employment Services.....	21,100	27,500	-6,400	-23.3	23,200
EDUCATION AND HEALTH SERVICES	321,800	349,200	-27,400	-7.8	326,600
Educational Services.....	62,000	66,800	-4,800	-7.2	64,200
Health Care and Social Assistance.....	259,800	282,400	-22,600	-8.0	262,400
Hospitals.....	59,400	59,400	0	0.0	59,400
Nursing & Residential Care Facilities.....	53,000	60,100	-7,100	-11.8	53,700
Social Assistance.....	58,800	69,500	-10,700	-15.4	59,900
LEISURE AND HOSPITALITY	109,500	148,100	-38,600	-26.1	115,400
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation.....	14,500	24,300	-9,800	-40.3	15,600
Accommodation and Food Services.....	95,000	123,800	-28,800	-23.3	99,800
Food Serv., Restaurants, Drinking Places.	89,300	113,200	-23,900	-21.1	93,500
OTHER SERVICES	57,200	64,700	-7,500	-11.6	57,100
GOVERNMENT	222,300	238,500	-16,200	-6.8	226,800
Federal Government.....	18,200	18,400	-200	-1.1	18,700
State Government.....	70,800	72,400	-1,600	-2.2	73,200
Local Government**.....	133,300	147,700	-14,400	-9.7	134,900

Current month's data are preliminary. Prior months' data have been revised. All data are benchmarked to March 2020.

**Total excludes workers idled due to labor-management disputes. **Includes Indian tribal government employment*

BRIDGEPORT - STAMFORD LMA



Not Seasonally Adjusted

	Jan 2021	Jan 2020	CHANGE		Dec 2020
			NO.	%	
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT	362,300	399,600	-37,300	-9.3	373,900
TOTAL PRIVATE	323,400	355,500	-32,100	-9.0	333,900
GOODS PRODUCING INDUSTRIES	38,800	39,300	-500	-1.3	40,200
CONSTRUCTION, NAT. RES. & MINING	11,900	11,200	700	6.3	12,700
MANUFACTURING	26,900	28,100	-1,200	-4.3	27,500
Durable Goods.....	21,500	21,900	-400	-1.8	21,600
SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES	323,500	360,300	-36,800	-10.2	333,700
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, UTILITIES	63,400	68,200	-4,800	-7.0	66,500
Wholesale Trade.....	11,800	12,500	-700	-5.6	12,100
Retail Trade.....	42,400	45,900	-3,500	-7.6	44,200
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities....	9,200	9,800	-600	-6.1	10,200
INFORMATION	11,100	12,200	-1,100	-9.0	11,600
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	35,400	36,600	-1,200	-3.3	35,700
Finance and Insurance.....	30,200	30,400	-200	-0.7	30,200
Credit Intermediation and Related.....	7,600	7,900	-300	-3.8	7,800
Financial Investments and Related.....	15,500	15,800	-300	-1.9	15,600
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	60,300	63,500	-3,200	-5.0	62,100
Professional, Scientific.....	27,700	29,600	-1,900	-6.4	28,400
Administrative and Support.....	22,400	22,700	-300	-1.3	23,600
EDUCATION AND HEALTH SERVICES	69,300	76,700	-7,400	-9.6	70,900
Health Care and Social Assistance.....	58,500	64,700	-6,200	-9.6	59,400
LEISURE AND HOSPITALITY	29,800	41,400	-11,600	-28.0	31,400
Accommodation and Food Services.....	24,100	32,100	-8,000	-24.9	25,000
OTHER SERVICES	15,300	17,600	-2,300	-13.1	15,500
GOVERNMENT	38,900	44,100	-5,200	-11.8	40,000
Federal.....	2,400	2,500	-100	-4.0	2,500
State & Local.....	36,500	41,600	-5,100	-12.3	37,500

DANBURY LMA



Not Seasonally Adjusted

	Jan 2021	Jan 2020	CHANGE		Dec 2020
			NO.	%	
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT	70,300	76,900	-6,600	-8.6	72,100
TOTAL PRIVATE	61,200	66,500	-5,300	-8.0	62,800
GOODS PRODUCING INDUSTRIES	11,300	11,400	-100	-0.9	11,600
SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES	59,000	65,500	-6,500	-9.9	60,500
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, UTILITIES	16,100	17,200	-1,100	-6.4	17,000
Retail Trade.....	11,700	12,300	-600	-4.9	12,100
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	8,500	9,200	-700	-7.6	8,900
LEISURE AND HOSPITALITY	5,600	7,300	-1,700	-23.3	5,900
GOVERNMENT	9,100	10,400	-1,300	-12.5	9,300
Federal.....	700	800	-100	-12.5	700
State & Local.....	8,400	9,600	-1,200	-12.5	8,600

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HARTFORD LMA*Not Seasonally Adjusted*

	Jan	Jan	CHANGE		Dec
	2021	2020	NO.	%	2020
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT	541,300	584,600	-43,300	-7.4	554,300
TOTAL PRIVATE	452,300	491,200	-38,900	-7.9	463,100
GOODS PRODUCING INDUSTRIES	72,000	78,100	-6,100	-7.8	74,700
CONSTRUCTION, NAT. RES. & MINING	17,700	18,400	-700	-3.8	19,300
MANUFACTURING	54,300	59,700	-5,400	-9.0	55,400
Durable Goods.....	45,200	49,700	-4,500	-9.1	46,200
Non-Durable Goods.....	9,100	10,000	-900	-9.0	9,200
SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES	469,300	506,500	-37,200	-7.3	479,600
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, UTILITIES	90,400	91,300	-900	-1.0	93,100
Wholesale Trade.....	15,400	17,100	-1,700	-9.9	15,600
Retail Trade.....	50,100	52,700	-2,600	-4.9	51,300
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities....	24,900	21,500	3,400	15.8	26,200
Transportation and Warehousing.....	24,200	20,700	3,500	16.9	25,500
INFORMATION	8,400	9,800	-1,400	-14.3	9,000
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	53,600	55,700	-2,100	-3.8	54,500
Depository Credit Institutions.....	5,400	5,700	-300	-5.3	5,500
Insurance Carriers & Related Activities....	37,300	38,400	-1,100	-2.9	37,600
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	68,300	74,200	-5,900	-8.0	69,700
Professional, Scientific.....	33,000	34,600	-1,600	-4.6	33,900
Management of Companies.....	12,200	12,500	-300	-2.4	12,200
Administrative and Support.....	23,100	27,100	-4,000	-14.8	23,600
EDUCATION AND HEALTH SERVICES	104,700	113,600	-8,900	-7.8	106,000
Educational Services.....	12,400	13,400	-1,000	-7.5	13,000
Health Care and Social Assistance.....	92,300	100,200	-7,900	-7.9	93,000
Ambulatory Health Care.....	31,300	32,800	-1,500	-4.6	31,500
LEISURE AND HOSPITALITY	34,500	45,900	-11,400	-24.8	35,700
Accommodation and Food Services.....	30,300	39,000	-8,700	-22.3	31,600
OTHER SERVICES	20,400	22,600	-2,200	-9.7	20,400
GOVERNMENT	89,000	93,400	-4,400	-4.7	91,200
Federal.....	5,300	5,500	-200	-3.6	5,600
State & Local.....	83,700	87,900	-4,200	-4.8	85,600

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT*Seasonally Adjusted*

Labor Market Areas	Jan	Jan	CHANGE		Dec
	2021	2020	NO.	%	2020
BRIDGEPORT-STAMFORD LMA	370,700	406,000	-35,300	-8.7	370,400
DANBURY LMA	70,700	77,500	-6,800	-8.8	71,000
HARTFORD LMA	548,700	591,900	-43,200	-7.3	549,100
NEW HAVEN LMA	281,700	295,600	-13,900	-4.7	282,600
NORWICH-NEW LONDON LMA	114,400	128,700	-14,300	-11.1	114,700
WATERBURY LMA	64,300	68,400	-4,100	-6.0	64,000
ENFIELD LMA**	41,800	44,900	-3,100	-6.9	41,800
TORRINGTON-NORTHWEST LMA**	30,500	33,200	-2,700	-8.1	30,600
DANIELSON-NORTHEAST LMA**	25,600	27,200	-1,600	-5.9	25,500

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**Unofficial seasonally adjusted estimates produced by the Connecticut Department of Labor

NEW HAVEN LMA



Not Seasonally Adjusted

	Jan	Jan	CHANGE		Dec
	2021	2020	NO.	%	2020
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT	276,000	291,300	-15,300	-5.3	285,300
TOTAL PRIVATE	240,100	255,800	-15,700	-6.1	248,800
GOODS PRODUCING INDUSTRIES	32,700	34,400	-1,700	-4.9	33,600
CONSTRUCTION, NAT. RES. & MINING	9,400	10,200	-800	-7.8	10,200
MANUFACTURING	23,300	24,200	-900	-3.7	23,400
Durable Goods.....	17,000	17,600	-600	-3.4	17,000
SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES	243,300	256,900	-13,600	-5.3	251,700
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, UTILITIES	56,400	54,300	2,100	3.9	58,800
Wholesale Trade.....	10,700	11,200	-500	-4.5	10,900
Retail Trade.....	26,600	28,300	-1,700	-6.0	27,600
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities....	19,100	14,800	4,300	29.1	20,300
INFORMATION	3,500	4,100	-600	-14.6	3,700
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	11,600	12,000	-400	-3.3	11,600
Finance and Insurance.....	7,900	8,200	-300	-3.7	7,900
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	30,100	29,700	400	1.3	31,100
Administrative and Support.....	14,600	15,200	-600	-3.9	15,500
EDUCATION AND HEALTH SERVICES	79,300	85,700	-6,400	-7.5	81,200
Educational Services.....	29,300	31,400	-2,100	-6.7	30,700
Health Care and Social Assistance.....	50,000	54,300	-4,300	-7.9	50,500
LEISURE AND HOSPITALITY	16,600	24,400	-7,800	-32.0	18,800
Accommodation and Food Services.....	14,500	20,500	-6,000	-29.3	16,300
OTHER SERVICES	9,900	11,200	-1,300	-11.6	10,000
GOVERNMENT	35,900	35,500	400	1.1	36,500
Federal.....	5,000	4,900	100	2.0	5,100
State & Local.....	30,900	30,600	300	1.0	31,400

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HELP WANTED ONLINE

Connecticut HWOL: January 2021

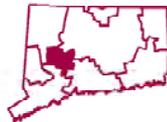
Labor Market Area	Jan. 2021 Total Ads	Industry Sector With Most Ads	Ads	Occupation With Most Ads	Ads
Hartford-West Hartford-East Hartford	20,028	Health Care and Social Assistance	4,461	Registered Nurses	908
Bridgeport-Stamford-Norwalk	12,295	Health Care and Social Assistance	2,067	Retail Salespersons	450
New Haven	7,137	Health Care and Social Assistance	1,455	Registered Nurses	393
Norwich-New London	2,366	Health Care and Social Assistance	499	Retail Salespersons	116
Danbury	1,894	Retail Trade	374	Retail Salespersons	138
Waterbury	1,812	Health Care and Social Assistance	600	Registered Nurses	109
Enfield	1,234	Manufacturing	198	Retail Salespersons	51
Torrington	909	Health Care and Social Assistance	231	Retail Salespersons	41
Danielson-Northeast	758	Retail Trade	155	Retail Salespersons	46

Source: CT DOL Research Office Analysis of HWOL Data Series

The Conference Board Help Wanted OnLine Data Series (HWOL) measures the number of new, first-time online jobs and jobs reposted from the previous month for over 16,000 Internet job boards, corporate boards and smaller job sites that serve niche markets and smaller geographic areas. The data can be used as a real-time measure of labor demand. For more information go to <https://www1.ctdol.state.ct.us/lmi/hwol.asp>.

**NORWICH-NEW LONDON-
WESTERLY, CT-RI LMA***Not Seasonally Adjusted*

	Jan 2021	Jan 2020	CHANGE		Dec 2020
			NO.	%	
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT	111,000	125,600	-14,600	-11.6	114,600
TOTAL PRIVATE	87,500	95,900	-8,400	-8.8	90,700
GOODS PRODUCING INDUSTRIES	21,300	21,400	-100	-0.5	21,800
CONSTRUCTION, NAT. RES. & MINING	3,700	3,700	0	0.0	3,900
MANUFACTURING	17,600	17,700	-100	-0.6	17,900
Durable Goods.....	14,400	14,400	0	0.0	14,600
Non-Durable Goods.....	3,200	3,300	-100	-3.0	3,300
SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES	89,700	104,200	-14,500	-13.9	92,800
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, UTILITIES	20,300	21,900	-1,600	-7.3	21,200
Wholesale Trade.....	2,100	2,300	-200	-8.7	2,100
Retail Trade.....	13,900	15,200	-1,300	-8.6	14,600
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities.....	4,300	4,400	-100	-2.3	4,500
INFORMATION	1,200	1,400	-200	-14.3	1,300
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	2,600	2,700	-100	-3.7	2,700
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	8,500	8,900	-400	-4.5	8,800
EDUCATION AND HEALTH SERVICES	19,600	21,300	-1,700	-8.0	20,300
Health Care and Social Assistance.....	17,200	18,700	-1,500	-8.0	17,800
LEISURE AND HOSPITALITY	11,200	14,900	-3,700	-24.8	11,800
Accommodation and Food Services.....	10,100	12,800	-2,700	-21.1	10,700
Food Serv., Restaurants, Drinking Places.....	8,800	11,000	-2,200	-20.0	9,200
OTHER SERVICES	2,800	3,400	-600	-17.6	2,800
GOVERNMENT	23,500	29,700	-6,200	-20.9	23,900
Federal.....	2,700	2,900	-200	-6.9	2,900
State & Local**.....	20,800	26,800	-6,000	-22.4	21,000

WATERBURY LMA*Not Seasonally Adjusted*

	Jan 2021	Jan 2020	CHANGE		Dec 2020
			NO.	%	
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT	63,500	67,300	-3,800	-5.6	65,100
TOTAL PRIVATE	53,000	56,700	-3,700	-6.5	54,100
GOODS PRODUCING INDUSTRIES	9,400	9,900	-500	-5.1	9,800
CONSTRUCTION, NAT. RES. & MINING	2,500	2,700	-200	-7.4	2,900
MANUFACTURING	6,900	7,200	-300	-4.2	6,900
SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES	54,100	57,400	-3,300	-5.7	55,300
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, UTILITIES	12,700	13,100	-400	-3.1	13,100
Wholesale Trade.....	1,800	1,900	-100	-5.3	1,800
Retail Trade.....	8,600	8,800	-200	-2.3	8,800
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities.....	2,300	2,400	-100	-4.2	2,500
INFORMATION	500	600	-100	-16.7	500
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	2,000	1,900	100	5.3	1,900
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	4,900	5,100	-200	-3.9	5,000
EDUCATION AND HEALTH SERVICES	16,800	18,200	-1,400	-7.7	17,000
Health Care and Social Assistance.....	14,900	16,400	-1,500	-9.1	15,100
LEISURE AND HOSPITALITY	4,500	5,300	-800	-15.1	4,500
OTHER SERVICES	2,200	2,600	-400	-15.4	2,300
GOVERNMENT	10,500	10,600	-100	-0.9	11,000
Federal.....	500	500	0	0.0	500
State & Local.....	10,000	10,100	-100	-1.0	10,500

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SMALLER LMAS*



Not Seasonally Adjusted

	Jan 2021	Jan 2020	CHANGE		Dec 2020
			NO.	%	
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT					
ENFIELD LMA.....	41,500	44,500	-3,000	-6.7	42,300
TORRINGTON-NORTHWEST LMA.....	29,800	32,400	-2,600	-8.0	30,500
DANIELSON-NORTHEAST LMA.....	25,400	27,000	-1,600	-5.9	25,600

NOTE: More industry detail data is available for the State and its nine labor market areas at: <http://www.ctdol.state.ct.us/lmi/202/covered.htm>. The data published there differ from the data in the preceding tables in that they are developed from a near-universe count of Connecticut employment covered by the unemployment insurance (UI) program, while the data here is sample-based. The data drawn from the UI program does not contain estimates of employment not covered by unemployment insurance, and is lagged several months behind the current employment estimates presented here.

* State-designated Non-CES areas

SPRINGFIELD, MA-CT NECTA**

Not Seasonally Adjusted

	Jan 2021	Jan 2020	CHANGE		Dec 2020
			NO.	%	
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT.....	296,500	331,600	-35,100	-10.6	305,700
TOTAL PRIVATE.....	241,600	270,200	-28,600	-10.6	249,300
GOODS PRODUCING INDUSTRIES.....	38,700	40,200	-1,500	-3.7	40,200
CONSTRUCTION, NAT. RES. & MINING.....	10,100	11,000	-900	-8.2	11,400
MANUFACTURING.....	28,600	29,200	-600	-2.1	28,800
Durable Goods.....	19,600	19,400	200	1.0	19,600
Non-Durable Goods.....	9,000	9,800	-800	-8.2	9,200
SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES.....	257,800	291,400	-33,600	-11.5	265,500
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, UTILITIES.....	57,600	60,100	-2,500	-4.2	60,100
Wholesale Trade.....	10,900	11,600	-700	-6.0	11,200
Retail Trade.....	32,000	33,100	-1,100	-3.3	32,800
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities....	14,700	15,400	-700	-4.5	16,100
INFORMATION.....	2,600	3,000	-400	-13.3	2,600
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES.....	14,900	15,700	-800	-5.1	14,900
Finance and Insurance.....	12,000	12,500	-500	-4.0	12,000
Insurance Carriers & Related Activities....	8,400	8,700	-300	-3.4	8,400
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	23,300	25,300	-2,000	-7.9	24,300
EDUCATION AND HEALTH SERVICES.....	73,500	82,500	-9,000	-10.9	75,000
Educational Services.....	11,000	13,700	-2,700	-19.7	12,500
Health Care and Social Assistance.....	62,500	68,800	-6,300	-9.2	62,500
LEISURE AND HOSPITALITY.....	20,900	30,500	-9,600	-31.5	21,900
OTHER SERVICES.....	10,100	12,900	-2,800	-21.7	10,300
GOVERNMENT.....	54,900	61,400	-6,500	-10.6	56,400
Federal.....	5,900	6,000	-100	-1.7	6,300
State & Local.....	49,000	55,400	-6,400	-11.6	50,100

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** New England City and Town Area

	EMPLOYMENT STATUS	Jan	Jan	CHANGE		Dec
		2021	2020	NO.	%	2020
<i>(Not seasonally adjusted)</i>						
CONNECTICUT	Civilian Labor Force	1,823,200	1,916,600	-93,400	-4.9	1,831,300
	Employed	1,668,700	1,835,100	-166,400	-9.1	1,690,400
	Unemployed	154,500	81,500	73,000	89.6	141,000
	Unemployment Rate	8.5	4.3	4.2	---	7.7
BRIDGEPORT-STAMFORD LMA	Civilian Labor Force	438,400	465,800	-27,400	-5.9	440,300
	Employed	400,300	445,800	-45,500	-10.2	405,500
	Unemployed	38,100	19,900	18,200	91.5	34,800
	Unemployment Rate	8.7	4.3	4.4	---	7.9
DANBURY LMA	Civilian Labor Force	100,800	107,200	-6,400	-6.0	100,600
	Employed	93,100	103,100	-10,000	-9.7	93,700
	Unemployed	7,700	4,200	3,500	83.3	6,800
	Unemployment Rate	7.7	3.9	3.8	---	6.8
DANIELSON-NORTHEAST LMA	Civilian Labor Force	41,300	43,900	-2,600	-5.9	41,000
	Employed	38,000	42,000	-4,000	-9.5	38,000
	Unemployed	3,400	1,900	1,500	78.9	3,000
	Unemployment Rate	8.1	4.4	3.7	---	7.3
ENFIELD LMA	Civilian Labor Force	46,400	50,100	-3,700	-7.4	46,700
	Employed	42,700	48,100	-5,400	-11.2	43,400
	Unemployed	3,600	2,000	1,600	80.0	3,300
	Unemployment Rate	7.8	4.1	3.7	---	7.1
HARTFORD LMA	Civilian Labor Force	605,200	633,500	-28,300	-4.5	607,300
	Employed	554,700	606,800	-52,100	-8.6	561,100
	Unemployed	50,400	26,700	23,700	88.8	46,200
	Unemployment Rate	8.3	4.2	4.1	---	7.6
NEW HAVEN LMA	Civilian Labor Force	321,100	332,200	-11,100	-3.3	324,700
	Employed	295,600	318,900	-23,300	-7.3	301,300
	Unemployed	25,500	13,400	12,100	90.3	23,300
	Unemployment Rate	7.9	4.0	3.9	---	7.2
NORWICH-NEW LONDON LMA	Civilian Labor Force	131,500	140,500	-9,000	-6.4	132,400
	Employed	119,000	134,300	-15,300	-11.4	120,900
	Unemployed	12,500	6,200	6,300	101.6	11,500
	Unemployment Rate	9.5	4.4	5.1	---	8.7
TORRINGTON-NORTHWEST LMA	Civilian Labor Force	45,000	47,400	-2,400	-5.1	44,600
	Employed	41,400	45,400	-4,000	-8.8	41,400
	Unemployed	3,700	2,100	1,600	76.2	3,200
	Unemployment Rate	8.2	4.3	3.9	---	7.2
WATERBURY LMA	Civilian Labor Force	108,500	111,800	-3,300	-3.0	108,900
	Employed	97,700	106,000	-8,300	-7.8	99,000
	Unemployed	10,800	5,900	4,900	83.1	9,900
	Unemployment Rate	10.0	5.3	4.7	---	9.1
UNITED STATES	Civilian Labor Force	159,234,000	163,497,000	-4,263,000	-2.6	160,017,000
	Employed	148,383,000	156,994,000	-8,611,000	-5.5	149,613,000
	Unemployed	10,851,000	6,504,000	4,347,000	66.8	10,404,000
	Unemployment Rate	6.8	4.0	2.8	---	6.5

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	AVG WEEKLY EARNINGS				AVG WEEKLY HOURS				AVG HOURLY EARNINGS			
	Jan		CHG	Dec	Jan		CHG	Dec	Jan		CHG	Dec
	2021	2020	Y/Y	2020	2021	2020	Y/Y	2020	2021	2020	Y/Y	2020
<i>(Not seasonally adjusted)</i>												
PRODUCTION WORKER												
MANUFACTURING	\$1,141.02	\$1,163.66	-\$22.64	\$1,154.25	39.4	41.5	-2.1	40.5	\$28.96	\$28.04	\$0.92	\$28.50
DURABLE GOODS	1,203.83	1,264.36	-60.52	1,233.41	39.2	41.4	-2.2	41.1	30.71	30.54	0.17	30.01
NON-DUR. GOODS	920.49	851.41	69.08	875.54	39.9	41.9	-2.0	38.2	23.07	20.32	2.75	22.92
CONSTRUCTION	1,324.32	1,291.11	33.21	1,414.80	39.1	39.8	-0.7	40.0	33.87	32.44	1.43	35.37
ALL EMPLOYEES												
STATEWIDE												
TOTAL PRIVATE	1,170.67	1,118.57	52.10	1,172.36	34.2	33.4	0.8	34.1	34.23	33.49	0.74	34.38
GOODS PRODUCING	1,391.06	1,426.68	-35.62	1,428.23	38.3	38.8	-0.5	38.8	36.32	36.77	-0.45	36.81
Construction	1,393.50	1,343.63	49.87	1,442.45	37.5	37.7	-0.2	37.8	37.16	35.64	1.52	38.16
Manufacturing	1,391.14	1,487.97	-96.82	1,426.20	38.6	39.5	-0.9	39.3	36.04	37.67	-1.63	36.29
SERVICE PROVIDING	1,128.59	1,066.33	62.26	1,127.87	33.4	32.5	0.9	33.3	33.79	32.81	0.98	33.87
Trade, Transp., Utilities	966.57	953.82	12.75	958.09	33.0	32.8	0.2	33.7	29.29	29.08	0.21	28.43
Financial Activities	1,963.21	1,872.83	90.38	1,955.46	39.1	37.3	1.8	38.2	50.21	50.21	0.00	51.19
Prof. & Business Serv.	1,302.34	1,233.09	69.25	1,290.68	35.7	34.3	1.4	35.4	36.48	35.95	0.53	36.46
Education & Health Ser.	1,062.22	963.97	98.24	1,062.90	34.1	32.9	1.2	34.1	31.15	29.30	1.85	31.17
Leisure & Hospitality	463.19	442.75	20.44	461.76	24.2	24.3	-0.1	24.1	19.14	18.22	0.92	19.16
Other Services	828.08	740.75	87.33	822.39	30.5	29.5	1.0	29.7	27.15	25.11	2.04	27.69
LABOR MARKET AREAS: TOTAL PRIVATE												
Bridgeport-Stamford	1,302.38	1,199.97	102.41	1,292.08	34.4	33.5	0.9	34.3	37.86	35.82	2.04	37.67
Danbury	1,030.51	1,053.70	-23.18	1,082.77	33.6	33.6	0.0	34.2	30.67	31.36	-0.69	31.66
Hartford	1,192.58	1,200.62	-8.04	1,199.02	35.2	34.6	0.6	35.1	33.88	34.70	-0.82	34.16
New Haven	1,125.98	1,022.53	103.45	1,107.04	34.1	32.7	1.4	34.0	33.02	31.27	1.75	32.56
Norwich-New London	880.00	840.79	39.21	901.06	32.0	30.9	1.1	32.6	27.50	27.21	0.29	27.64
Waterbury	933.52	976.86	-43.34	948.02	31.4	34.3	-2.9	32.4	29.73	28.48	1.25	29.26

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BUSINESS AND EMPLOYMENT CHANGES ANNOUNCED IN THE NEWS MEDIA

New Companies and Expansions

- Window Nation, a nationally known window replacement company, opening Wallingford showroom
- Lake Compounce to hire 1,200 ahead of May 29 reopening date
- Health management company, WellSpark Health, to hire 287 in Farmington with \$1.5 million assist from Connecticut
- Farmington's CT Spring & Stamping expanding to Southington
- 'A stronger company': Stamford-based Pitney Bowes grows amid pandemic, poised to add CT jobs
- Hartford Schools hiring for 74 jobs

Layoffs and Closures

- Hatfield Jewelers in Torrington closes after 30 years
- Peter's Weston Market to close after nearly 50 years
- Carla's Pasta in South Windsor files for Chapter 11 bankruptcy
- Disney announces Greenwich-based Blue Skies Studios to close
- CVS to reduce office space by 30%

(By Place of Residence - Not Seasonally Adjusted)

JANUARY 2021

LMA/TOWNS	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYED	UNEMPLOYED	%	LMA/TOWNS	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYED	UNEMPLOYED	%
BRIDGEPORT-STAMFORD					HARTFORD cont..				
	438,437	400,312	38,125	8.7	Canton	5,487	5,145	342	6.2
Ansonia	8,845	7,828	1,017	11.5	Chaplin	1,207	1,114	93	7.7
Bridgeport	66,733	58,076	8,657	13.0	Colchester	9,041	8,390	651	7.2
Darien	7,996	7,493	503	6.3	Columbia	3,118	2,904	214	6.9
Derby	6,292	5,654	638	10.1	Coventry	7,533	7,049	484	6.4
Easton	3,578	3,333	245	6.8	Cromwell	7,649	7,111	538	7.0
Fairfield	27,514	25,547	1,967	7.1	East Granby	2,967	2,771	196	6.6
Greenwich	26,881	25,197	1,684	6.3	East Haddam	4,809	4,494	315	6.6
Milford	28,904	26,511	2,393	8.3	East Hampton	7,467	6,931	536	7.2
Monroe	9,376	8,677	699	7.5	East Hartford	26,869	23,879	2,990	11.1
New Canaan	7,762	7,271	491	6.3	Ellington	9,288	8,659	629	6.8
Norwalk	48,075	43,961	4,114	8.6	Farmington	13,710	12,824	886	6.5
Oxford	6,856	6,351	505	7.4	Glastonbury	18,286	17,202	1,084	5.9
Redding	4,113	3,830	283	6.9	Granby	6,673	6,281	392	5.9
Ridgefield	10,907	10,250	657	6.0	Haddam	4,872	4,554	318	6.5
Seymour	8,444	7,690	754	8.9	Hartford	52,917	45,566	7,351	13.9
Shelton	20,698	19,032	1,666	8.0	Hartland	1,126	1,037	89	7.9
Southbury	8,154	7,532	622	7.6	Harwinton	3,084	2,895	189	6.1
Stamford	66,582	60,917	5,665	8.5	Hebron	5,348	5,004	344	6.4
Stratford	25,782	23,252	2,530	9.8	Lebanon	3,958	3,623	335	8.5
Trumbull	16,644	15,384	1,260	7.6	Manchester	31,996	29,361	2,635	8.2
Weston	4,054	3,770	284	7.0	Mansfield	11,931	11,171	760	6.4
Westport	12,025	11,268	757	6.3	Marlborough	3,454	3,227	227	6.6
Wilton	7,758	7,295	463	6.0	Middletown	25,349	23,293	2,056	8.1
Woodbridge	4,463	4,192	271	6.1	New Britain	36,676	32,159	4,517	12.3
					New Hartford	3,837	3,576	261	6.8
DANBURY	100,834	93,096	7,738	7.7	Newington	16,632	15,409	1,223	7.4
Bethel	10,310	9,558	752	7.3	Plainville	10,192	9,319	873	8.6
Bridgewater	796	732	64	8.0	Plymouth	6,438	5,876	562	8.7
Brookfield	8,730	8,120	610	7.0	Portland	5,291	4,894	397	7.5
Danbury	44,795	41,247	3,548	7.9	Rocky Hill	11,185	10,501	684	6.1
New Fairfield	6,735	6,208	527	7.8	Scotland	935	859	76	8.1
New Milford	14,388	13,176	1,212	8.4	Simsbury	13,373	12,615	758	5.7
Newtown	13,317	12,414	903	6.8	Southington	23,810	22,174	1,636	6.9
Sherman	1,763	1,642	121	6.9	South Windsor	13,854	12,975	879	6.3
					Stafford	6,713	6,154	559	8.3
ENFIELD	46,383	42,746	3,637	7.8	Thomaston	4,564	4,237	327	7.2
East Windsor	6,233	5,743	490	7.9	Tolland	8,212	7,723	489	6.0
Enfield	21,287	19,558	1,729	8.1	Union	447	420	27	6.0
Somers	4,614	4,305	309	6.7	Vernon	16,966	15,606	1,360	8.0
Suffield	7,121	6,609	512	7.2	West Hartford	33,261	31,210	2,051	6.2
Windsor Locks	7,127	6,531	596	8.4	Wethersfield	13,583	12,555	1,028	7.6
					Willington	3,530	3,287	243	6.9
HARTFORD	605,181	554,741	50,440	8.3	Windham	12,174	10,882	1,292	10.6
Andover	1,875	1,746	129	6.9	Windsor	16,137	14,802	1,335	8.3
Ashford	2,486	2,314	172	6.9					
Avon	9,023	8,522	501	5.6					
Barkhamsted	2,212	2,057	155	7.0					
Berlin	11,394	10,597	797	7.0					
Bloomfield	11,433	10,494	939	8.2					
Bolton	3,026	2,859	167	5.5					
Bristol	32,281	29,285	2,996	9.3					
Burlington	5,504	5,152	352	6.4					

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LABOR FORCE CONCEPTS

The **civilian labor force** comprises all state residents age 16 years and older classified as employed or unemployed in accordance with criteria described below. Excluded are members of the military and persons in institutions (correctional and mental health, for example).

The **employed** are all persons who did any work as paid employees or in their own business during the survey week, or who have worked 15 hours or more as unpaid workers in an enterprise operated by a family member. Persons temporarily absent from a job because of illness, bad weather, strike or for personal reasons are also counted as employed whether they were paid by their employer or were seeking other jobs. The **unemployed** are all persons who did not work, but were available for work during the survey week (except for temporary illness) and made specific efforts to find a job in the prior four weeks. Persons waiting to be recalled to a job from which they had been laid off need not be looking for work to be classified as unemployed.

LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES BY TOWN

Town

(By Place of Residence - Not Seasonally Adjusted)

JANUARY 2021

LMA/TOWNS	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYED	UNEMPLOYED	%	LMA/TOWNS	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYED	UNEMPLOYED	%
NEW HAVEN	321,060	295,573	25,487	7.9	TORRINGTON-NORTHWEST				
Bethany	3,078	2,900	178	5.8	Canaan	45,039	41,351	3,688	8.2
Branford	15,805	14,671	1,134	7.2	Colebrook	618	570	48	7.8
Cheshire	15,196	14,351	845	5.6	Cornwall	785	728	57	7.3
Chester	2,302	2,157	145	6.3	Goshen	723	682	41	5.7
Clinton	7,199	6,694	505	7.0	Kent	1,554	1,451	103	6.6
Deep River	2,826	2,626	200	7.1	Litchfield	1,415	1,327	88	6.2
Durham	4,194	3,947	247	5.9	Morris	4,541	4,232	309	6.8
East Haven	15,589	14,227	1,362	8.7	Norfolk	1,355	1,254	101	7.5
Essex	3,377	3,150	227	6.7	Norwich	863	798	65	7.5
Guilford	12,545	11,893	652	5.2	North Canaan	1,699	1,552	147	8.7
Hamden	34,679	32,093	2,586	7.5	Roxbury	1,255	1,183	72	5.7
Killingworth	3,758	3,523	235	6.3	Salisbury	1,725	1,620	105	6.1
Madison	8,861	8,338	523	5.9	Sharon	1,407	1,325	82	5.8
Meriden	31,896	28,836	3,060	9.6	Torrington	18,497	16,723	1,774	9.6
Middlefield	2,493	2,315	178	7.1	Warren	755	701	54	7.2
New Haven	64,528	58,129	6,399	9.9	Washington	1,936	1,834	102	5.3
North Branford	8,093	7,517	576	7.1	Winchester	5,909	5,370	539	9.1
North Haven	13,189	12,284	905	6.9	WATERBURY	108,495	97,658	10,837	10.0
Old Saybrook	5,022	4,673	349	6.9	Beacon Falls	3,403	3,173	230	6.8
Orange	7,176	6,727	449	6.3	Bethlehem	1,890	1,729	161	8.5
Wallingford	25,732	23,942	1,790	7.0	Middlebury	3,832	3,578	254	6.6
West Haven	29,913	27,237	2,676	8.9	Naugatuck	16,662	15,203	1,459	8.8
Westbrook	3,611	3,344	267	7.4	Prospect	5,388	5,026	362	6.7
*NORWICH-NEW LONDON-WESTERLY, CT PART					Waterbury	49,914	43,595	6,319	12.7
	116,470	105,302	11,168	9.6	Watertown	12,467	11,543	924	7.4
Bozrah	1,437	1,301	136	9.5	Wolcott	9,553	8,860	693	7.3
Canterbury	2,673	2,456	217	8.1	Woodbury	5,386	4,951	435	8.1
East Lyme	7,891	7,210	681	8.6	DANIELSON-NORTHEAST				
Franklin	975	900	75	7.7		41,332	37,971	3,361	8.1
Griswold	5,796	5,232	564	9.7	Brooklyn	3,927	3,625	302	7.7
Groton	16,929	15,388	1,541	9.1	Eastford	960	901	59	6.1
Ledyard	7,295	6,701	594	8.1	Hampton	1,015	944	71	7.0
Lisbon	2,180	1,962	218	10.0	Killingly	9,213	8,431	782	8.5
Lyme	1,097	1,024	73	6.7	Plainfield	8,212	7,536	676	8.2
Montville	8,401	7,635	766	9.1	Pomfret	2,379	2,229	150	6.3
New London	11,409	9,954	1,455	12.8	Putnam	4,635	4,214	421	9.1
No. Stonington	2,700	2,468	232	8.6	Sterling	1,943	1,768	175	9.0
Norwich	18,978	16,729	2,249	11.9	Thompson	5,047	4,642	405	8.0
Old Lyme	3,403	3,144	259	7.6	Woodstock	3,999	3,679	320	8.0
Preston	2,254	2,032	222	9.8					
Salem	1,971	1,787	184	9.3					
Sprague	1,465	1,333	132	9.0					
Stonington	9,009	8,333	676	7.5					
Voluntown	1,362	1,232	130	9.5					
Waterford	9,246	8,482	764	8.3					

*Connecticut portion only. For whole NECTA, including RI part, see below.

NORWICH-NEW LONDON-WESTERLY, CT-RI

	131,544	119,029	12,515	9.5
RI part (Hopkinton and Westerly)	15,074	13,727	1,347	8.9

Not Seasonally Adjusted:				
CONNECTICUT	1,823,200	1,668,700	154,500	8.5
UNITED STATES	159,234,000	148,383,000	10,851,000	6.8
Seasonally Adjusted:				
CONNECTICUT	1,839,800	1,690,500	149,200	8.1
UNITED STATES	160,161,000	150,031,000	10,130,000	6.3

LABOR FORCE CONCEPTS (Continued)

The **unemployment rate** represents the number unemployed as a percent of the civilian labor force.

With the exception of those persons temporarily absent from a job or waiting to be recalled to one, persons with no job and who are not actively looking for one are counted as "not in the labor force".

Over the course of a year, the size of the labor force and the levels of employment undergo fluctuations due to such seasonal events as changes in weather, reduced or expanded production, harvests, major holidays and the opening and closing of schools. Because these seasonal events follow a regular pattern each year, their influence on statistical trends can be eliminated by adjusting the monthly statistics. **Seasonal Adjustment** makes it easier to observe cyclical and other nonseasonal developments.

TOWN	JAN 2021	YR TO DATE 2021	2020	TOWN	JAN 2021	YR TO DATE 2021	2020	TOWN	JAN 2021	YR TO DATE 2021	2020
Andover	0	0	0	Griswold	0	0	1	Preston	1	1	1
Ansonia	na	na	na	Groton	na	na	na	Prospect	0	0	0
Ashford	na	na	na	Guilford	na	na	na	Putnam	na	na	na
Avon	1	1	0	Haddam	1	1	0	Redding	2	2	0
Barkhamsted	na	na	na	Hamden	na	na	na	Ridgefield	0	0	1
Beacon Falls	na	na	na	Hampton	na	na	na	Rocky Hill	0	0	2
Berlin	0	0	0	Hartford	0	0	1	Roxbury	na	na	na
Bethany	na	na	na	Hartland	0	0	0	Salem	na	na	na
Bethel	8	8	4	Harwinton	na	na	na	Salisbury	na	na	na
Bethlehem	na	na	na	Hebron	2	2	1	Scotland	na	na	na
Bloomfield	3	3	1	Kent	0	0	1	Seymour	na	na	na
Bolton	0	0	0	Killingly	na	na	na	Sharon	na	na	na
Bozrah	na	na	na	Killingworth	0	0	0	Shelton	2	2	9
Branford	2	2	2	Lebanon	0	0	0	Sherman	0	0	0
Bridgeport	3	3	2	Ledyard	na	na	na	Simsbury	2	2	7
Bridgewater	0	0	0	Lisbon	na	na	na	Somers	2	2	1
Bristol	7	7	3	Litchfield	na	na	na	South Windsor	1	1	1
Brookfield	2	2	0	Lyme	0	0	0	Southbury	na	na	na
Brooklyn	0	0	1	Madison	na	na	na	Southington	4	4	5
Burlington	3	3	0	Manchester	1	1	1	Sprague	0	0	0
Canaan	na	na	na	Mansfield	1	1	0	Stafford	1	1	0
Canterbury	na	na	na	Marlborough	0	0	0	Stamford	0	0	7
Canton	2	2	1	Meriden	na	na	na	Sterling	na	na	na
Chaplin	na	na	na	Middlebury	na	na	na	Stonington	na	na	na
Cheshire	1	1	1	Middlefield	0	0	0	Stratford	2	2	2
Chester	0	0	0	Middletown	1	1	1	Suffield	3	3	0
Clinton	2	2	2	Milford	20	20	20	Thomaston	na	na	na
Colchester	0	0	3	Monroe	3	3	0	Thompson	na	na	na
Colebrook	na	na	na	Montville	na	na	na	Tolland	0	0	0
Columbia	0	0	0	Morris	na	na	na	Torrington	na	na	na
Cornwall	na	na	na	Naugatuck	na	na	na	Trumbull	1	1	1
Coventry	3	3	3	New Britain	1	1	1	Union	0	0	0
Cromwell	1	1	1	New Canaan	5	5	0	Vernon	5	5	11
Danbury	6	6	8	New Fairfield	0	0	0	Voluntown	0	0	0
Darien	3	3	1	New Hartford	na	na	na	Wallingford	2	2	2
Deep River	0	0	0	New Haven	0	0	16	Warren	na	na	na
Derby	na	na	na	New London	4	4	3	Washington	na	na	na
Durham	0	0	0	New Milford	na	na	na	Waterbury	1	1	0
East Granby	0	0	0	Newington	0	0	0	Waterford	na	na	na
East Haddam	0	0	0	Newtown	6	6	4	Watertown	na	na	na
East Hampton	1	1	2	Norfolk	na	na	na	West Hartford	10	10	9
East Hartford	1	1	2	North Branford	na	na	na	West Haven	na	na	na
East Haven	na	na	na	North Canaan	na	na	na	Westbrook	2	2	1
East Lyme	4	4	4	North Haven	na	na	na	Weston	0	0	1
East Windsor	0	0	0	North Stonington	na	na	na	Westport	7	7	3
Eastford	na	na	na	Norwalk	5	5	1	Wethersfield	0	0	0
Easton	1	1	1	Norwich	0	0	0	Willington	2	2	1
Ellington	12	12	13	Old Lyme	na	na	na	Wilton	1	1	0
Enfield	6	6	7	Old Saybrook	1	1	1	Winchester	na	na	na
Essex	0	0	1	Orange	na	na	na	Windham	0	0	1
Fairfield	5	5	4	Oxford	1	1	3	Windsor	7	7	2
Farmington	0	0	2	Plainfield	na	na	na	Windsor Locks	0	0	0
Franklin	na	na	na	Plainville	1	1	0	Wolcott	3	3	1
Glastonbury	5	5	3	Plymouth	na	na	na	Woodbridge	na	na	na
Goshen	na	na	na	Pomfret	na	na	na	Woodbury	0	0	1
Granby	0	0	26	Portland	0	0	1	Woodstock	na	na	na
Greenwich	9	9	0								

For further information on the housing permit data, contact Kolie Sun of DECD at (860) 500-2467.

BUSINESS STARTS AND TERMINATIONS

Registrations and terminations of business entities as recorded with the Secretary of the State and the Connecticut Department of Labor (DOL) are an indication of new business formation and activity. DOL business starts include new employers which have become liable for unemployment insurance taxes during the quarter, as well as new establishments opened by existing employers. DOL business terminations are those accounts discontinued due to inactivity (no employees) or business closure, and accounts for individual business establishments that are closed by still active employers. The Secretary of the State registrations include limited liability companies, limited liability partnerships, and foreign-owned (out-of-state) and domestic-owned (in-state) corporations.

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

The Consumer Price Index (CPI), computed and published by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, is a measure of the average change in prices over time in a fixed market basket of goods and services. It is based on prices of food, clothing, shelter, fuels, transportation fares, charges for doctors' and dentists' services, drugs and other goods and services that people buy for their day-to-day living. The Northeast region is comprised of the New England states, New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania.

EMPLOYMENT COST INDEX

The Employment Cost Index (ECI) covers both wages and salaries and employer costs for employee benefits for all occupations and establishments in both the private nonfarm sector and state and local government. The ECI measures employers' labor costs free from the influences of employment shifts among industries and occupations. The base period for all data is December 2005 when the ECI is 100.

GAMING DATA

Indian Gaming Payments are amounts received by the State as a result of the slot compact with the two Federally recognized tribes in Connecticut, which calls for 25 percent of net slot receipts to be remitted to the State. Indian Gaming Slots are the total net revenues from slot machines only received by the two Federally recognized Indian tribes.

HOURS AND EARNINGS ESTIMATES

Production worker earnings and hours estimates include full- and part-time employees working within manufacturing industries. Hours worked and earnings data are computed based on payroll figures for the week including the 12th of the month. Average hourly earnings are affected by such factors as premium pay for overtime and shift differential as well as changes in basic hourly and incentive rates of pay. Average weekly earnings are the product of weekly hours worked and hourly earnings. These data are developed in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

INITIAL CLAIMS

Average weekly initial claims are calculated by dividing the total number of new claims for unemployment insurance received in the month by the number of weeks in the month. A minor change in methodology took effect with data published in the March 1997 issue of the DIGEST. Data have been revised back to January 1980.

INSURED UNEMPLOYMENT RATE

Primarily a measure of unemployment insurance program activity, the insured unemployment rate is the 13-week average of the number of people claiming unemployment benefits divided by the number of workers covered by the unemployment insurance system.

LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES

Labor force estimates are a measure of the work status of people who live in Connecticut. Prepared under the direction of the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, the statewide estimates are the product of a signal-plus noise model, which uses results from the Current Population Survey (CPS), a monthly survey of Connecticut households, counts of claimants for unemployment benefits, and establishment employment estimates. The 2015 LAUS Redesign includes improved time-series models for the census divisions, states, select substate areas, and the balances of those states; an improved real-time benchmarking procedure to the national Current Population Survey (CPS) estimates; an improved smoothed seasonal adjustment procedure; and improved treatment of outliers. Non-modeled area estimation improvements include: updated Dynamic Residency Ratios (DRR); more accurate estimates for all-other employment; more accurate estimation of agricultural employment; and improved estimation of non-covered agricultural unemployment. Handbook estimation is now done at the city/town level instead of at the Labor Market Area (LMA) level in Connecticut, which better reflects local conditions. The Redesign also introduces estimation inputs from the American Community Survey (ACS) to replace inputs that were previously obtained from the decennial census long-form survey. Labor force data, reflecting persons employed by place of residence, are not directly comparable to the place-of-work industry employment series. In the labor force estimates, workers involved in labor disputes are counted as employed. The labor force data also includes agricultural workers, unpaid family workers, domestics and the self-employed. Because of these conceptual differences, total labor force employment is almost always different from nonfarm wage and salary employment.

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NONFARM EMPLOYMENT ESTIMATES

Nonfarm employment estimates are derived from a survey of businesses to measure *jobs* by industry. The estimates include all full- and part-time wage and salary employees who worked during or received pay for the pay period which includes the 12th of the month. Excluded from these estimates are proprietors, self-employed workers, private household employees and unpaid family workers. In some cases, due to space constraints, all industry estimates are not shown. These data are developed in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

UI COVERED WAGES

UI covered wages is the total amount paid to those employees who are covered under the Connecticut's Unemployment Insurance (UI) law for services performed during the quarter. The fluctuations in the 1992-93 period reflect the effect of the changes in the tax law and the massive restructuring in the state's economy.

ECONOMIC INDICATORS AT A GLANCE

(Percent change from prior year; see pages 5-8 for reference months or quarters)

Leading General Drift Indicator.....	-8.3	CT Mfg. Production Index	-2.0	Tourism and Travel	
Coincident General Drift Indicator.	-3.4	Production Worker Hours.....	4.3	Occupancy Rate.....	-20.7
Connecticut Real GDP.....	-3.3	Industrial Electricity Sales.....	-7.1	Tourism Website Visitors.....	-19.5
United States Real GDP.....	-2.8	Personal Income	4.3	Air Passenger Count.....	-67.0
New England Real GDP.....	-3.3	UI Covered Wages	0.9	Gaming Slots.....	-21.2
Connecticut PCPI.....	4.4	Business Activity		Employment Cost Index (U.S.)	
United States PCPI.....	6.6	New Housing Permits.....	-13.3	Total.....	2.6
New England PCPI.....	7.5	Electricity Sales.....	-5.6	Wages & Salaries.....	2.8
Phil. Fed's CT Coincident Index....	NA	Construction Contracts Index.	-44.1	Benefit Costs.....	2.1
Phil. Fed's US Coincident Index...	NA	New Auto Registrations.....	-0.4	Consumer Prices	
		Exports.....	-20.4	U.S. City Average.....	1.4
Total Nonfarm Employment	-7.5	S&P 500: Monthly Close.....	15.2	Northeast Region.....	1.1
Labor Force.....	-4.2	Business Starts		NY-Newark-Jersey City.....	1.2
Employed.....	-8.7	Secretary of the State.....	31.9	Boston-Cambridge-Newton...	0.5
Unemployed.....	112.2	Dept. of Labor.....	-22.9	Interest Rates	
Unemployment Rate	4.4 *	Business Terminations		Prime.....	-1.50 *
Labor Force Participation Rate...	-2.7 *	Secretary of the State.....	-18.1	Conventional Mortgage.....	-0.88 *
Employment-Population Ratio...	-5.4 *	Dept. of Labor.....	-17.6		
Average Weekly Initial Claims ..	161.1	State Revenues	-6.3		
Avg Insured Unempl. Rate	2.40 *	Corporate Tax.....	48.9		
U-6 Rate	6.2 *	Personal Income Tax.....	2.4		
Prod. Worker Avg Wkly Hrs	-5.1	Real Estate Conveyance Tax..	57.8		
PW Avg Hourly Earnings	3.3	Sales & Use Tax.....	-27.8		
PW Avg Weekly Earnings	-1.9	Gaming Payments.....	-9.7		

*Percentage point change
 **Less than 0.05 percent
 NA = Not Available

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