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In March...

Nonfarm Employment

Connecticut 1,646,400
 Change over month +0.28%
 Change over year +2.98%

United States 150,925,000
 Change over month +0.29%
 Change over year +4.50%

Unemployment Rate

Connecticut 4.6%
 United States 3.6%

Consumer Price Index

United States 287,504
 Change over year +8.5%

Short-Term Employment Projections Through 2023

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CURRENT SITUATION

The past two years have been a period of unprecedented economic change during which labor markets adapted to COVID-19 mitigation. In early 2020, the US economy had a 2-month recession, the shortest on record.¹ Employment peaked in February at 152.5 million and fell by 22 million two months later. Employment began to quickly rebound and more than half of the 22 million jobs lost were recovered by September 2022. The most recent month of data marks two years from the February 2020 pre-COVID employment peak and show that the current employment level has recovered 92.8% of jobs lost nationwide during the recession.

Figure 1 shows the impact of the COVID-19 recession and recovery on northeast states through March 2022. Every

northeast state had 2020 percent losses that were steeper than the U.S. Connecticut's 17% decline was the second lowest in the Northeast. Adjacent states of Massachusetts, New York, and Rhode Island had respective drops of 18.4%, 20.2%, and 21.3%. In the two years since the February 2020 peak, Connecticut has recovered 81.8% of the jobs lost during the COVID-recession, more than New York (76.4%), but less than Massachusetts (87.1%) and Rhode Island (85.1%).

Connecticut Short-Term Projections

Each year, the Office of Research at the Connecticut Department of Labor produces short-term employment projections by industry and occupation. The current round spans the second quarter of 2021 to the second quarter of 2023.

Fig 1. Jobs Lost and Recovered Over The Past 24 Months in the U.S., CT, and Nearby States (in Thousands)

Area	US Peak	US Trough	Peak/Trough Change		Current Month	Peak to Current Month Change		Recovery Rate*
	Feb. 2020	Apr. 2020	#	%	Mar. 2022	#	%	
United States	152,504	130,513	-21,991	-14.4%	150,925	-1,579	-1.0%	92.8%
Connecticut	1,699	1,410	-289	-17.0%	1,646	-53	-3.1%	81.8%
Maine	640	545	-95	-14.9%	639	-1	-0.2%	98.5%
Massachusetts	3,740	3,051	-689	-18.4%	3,651	-89	-2.4%	87.1%
New Hampshire	689	572	-118	-17.1%	680	-10	-1.4%	91.9%
New Jersey	4,228	3,496	-733	-17.3%	4,175	-53	-1.3%	92.7%
New York	9,844	7,858	-1,986	-20.2%	9,375	-468	-4.8%	76.4%
Pennsylvania	6,096	4,961	-1,135	-18.6%	5,902	-193	-3.2%	83.0%
Rhode Island	508	400	-108	-21.3%	492	-16	-3.2%	85.1%
Vermont	316	250	-66	-20.8%	300	-16	-5.1%	75.5%

Seasonally Adjusted

Source: CT Dept. of Labor & BLS Current Employment Statistics

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Fig 2. Industry Projections

Industry	2021 Q2 Base	2023 Q2 Proj.	Emp Change	% Change
Total All Industries	1,722,162	1,841,001	118,839	6.9%
Self Employed and Unpaid Family Workers, All Jobs	110,677	120,195	9,518	8.6%
Goods Producing	218,045	235,250	17,205	7.9%
Natural Resources and Mining	5,643	6,048	405	7.2%
Construction	59,924	64,019	4,095	6.8%
Manufacturing	152,478	165,183	12,705	8.3%
Services Providing	1,393,440	1,485,556	92,116	6.6%
Wholesale Trade	56,882	60,992	4,110	7.2%
Retail Trade	166,112	172,965	6,853	4.1%
Transportation and Warehousing	59,703	70,612	10,909	18.3%
Utilities	5,005	4,882	-123	-2.5%
Information	29,583	30,069	486	1.6%
Finance and Insurance	99,567	98,112	-1,455	-1.5%
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	18,397	19,617	1,220	6.6%
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	94,872	98,159	3,287	3.5%
Management of Companies and Enterprises	30,340	34,034	3,694	12.2%
Administrative and Support and Waste Management	88,402	92,905	4,503	5.1%
Educational Services	175,048	180,416	5,368	3.1%
Health Care	217,159	223,524	6,365	2.9%
Social Assistance	68,077	71,464	3,387	5.0%
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	23,493	30,441	6,948	29.6%
Accommodation and Food Services	118,238	143,820	25,582	21.6%
Other Services (except Government)	62,337	70,311	7,974	12.8%
Government*	80,225	83,233	3,008	3.7%

*Government excludes education, hospitals, and gambling industries

This base quarter coincides with the start of the spring 2021 vaccine rollout and the easing of many COVID-mitigation restrictions. Through 2023Q2, we project overall employment in Connecticut to increase by 6.9% from 1,722,162 to 1,841,001, as is shown in **Figure 2**. Note that this topline figure includes projected self-employment and unpaid family workers (UFW). The Goods Producing sector is projected to grow by 7.9% through 2023Q2, with most of that growth occurring in Manufacturing, its largest component industry. The Service Providing sector is projected to grow by 6.6% over two years. This sector represents 86.5% of industry employment in the state. This projected growth suggests that the state will continue its current trend of monthly job growth and will approach pre-pandemic levels of industry employment by mid-2023.

Projections by Industry

The two major sectors that show the largest projected employment percent increases are those that were heavily impacted by the COVID-19 lockdown. Arts, Entertainment, & Recreation is projected to grow by 29.6% and Accommodation & Food Services by 21.6%. These two sectors had the largest 2020 employment decreases during the second quarter of that year and are experiencing strong rebounds that demonstrate the underlying resilience of the Connecticut economy. The third largest sector growth is expected in Transportation & Warehousing, which isn't recovering from a trough but is continuing a pre-pandemic growth trend that has accelerated as people adapted to the lockdowns and ordered more online. Transportation & Warehousing has experienced

Fig 3. Occupational Projections

SOC	Occupational Group	2021 Q2 Base	2023 Q2 Proj.	Emp Change	% Change
00-0000	Total, All Occupations	1,722,162	1,841,001	118,839	6.9%
11-0000	Management	127,059	135,384	8,325	6.6%
13-0000	Business and Financial Operations	100,143	105,298	5,155	5.2%
15-0000	Computer and Mathematical	52,097	55,153	3,056	5.9%
17-0000	Architecture and Engineering	35,389	37,932	2,543	7.2%
19-0000	Life, Physical, and Social Science	12,632	13,392	760	6.0%
21-0000	Community and Social Service	37,804	39,452	1,648	4.4%
23-0000	Legal	16,845	17,381	536	3.2%
25-0000	Education, Training, and Library	122,907	128,084	5,177	4.2%
27-0000	Arts, Design, Entertainment, Sports, and Media	27,828	30,509	2,681	9.6%
29-0000	Healthcare Practitioners and Technical	107,417	111,845	4,428	4.1%
31-0000	Healthcare Support	87,940	92,036	4,096	4.7%
33-0000	Protective Service	32,458	34,075	1,617	5.0%
35-0000	Food Preparation and Serving Related	120,836	142,568	21,732	18.0%
37-0000	Building and Grounds Cleaning and Maintenance	70,447	75,149	4,702	6.7%
39-0000	Personal Care and Service	58,854	66,671	7,817	13.3%
41-0000	Sales and Related	156,032	163,034	7,002	4.5%
43-0000	Office and Administrative Support	225,428	234,120	8,692	3.9%
45-0000	Farming, Fishing, and Forestry	4,296	4,524	228	5.3%
47-0000	Construction and Extraction	61,889	66,635	4,746	7.7%
49-0000	Installation, Maintenance, and Repair	53,105	56,584	3,479	6.6%
51-0000	Production	87,424	93,677	6,253	7.2%
53-0000	Transportation and Material Moving	123,332	137,498	14,166	11.5%

increasing annual growth from 2016 through 2020, increasing from 2% in 2016, 3% in 2017, 6% in both 2018 and 2019, and 7% in 2020.

Nearly every industry is projected to add jobs during the projections period. In addition to those mentioned above, Manufacturing is projected to grow by 8.3% (+12,705). Accommodations & Food Services, Transportation & Warehousing, and Manufacturing amounted to a combined 19% of base quarter employment and represent 41% of projected growth. This pattern is heavily influenced by the short-term impact of COVID on the economy. The large growth in Accommodation & Food Services and Transportation & Warehousing follow aforementioned trends while the Manufacturing projection signals that it is expected to regain its pre-COVID growth trend that spanned from mid-2016 through

the first months of 2020. Current Employment Statistics data show Manufacturing employment gains over the last 6 months with February 2022 employment up 5,700 over the year and 3,100 below pre-recession February 2020 levels.

The two sectors expected to lose jobs through 2023 are Utilities with a slight 2.5% decline and Finance & Insurance, projected to decrease by 1.5%. The Finance & Insurance declines represent a continuation of a longer-term trend. Its employment peaked in 2007 at 123,453 jobs and was 101,756 in 2019. It fell to just under 100,000 by mid-2020 and was 99,567 during the 2021Q2 base quarter.

Projections by Occupation

As noted above, overall employment including self-employed and UFW is projected to grow by 118,839 or +6.9% from 2021Q2 through 2023Q2. In addition to the industry

breakdowns discussed in the previous section, projections are also produced for the 22 major occupational groups and over 700 specific occupations.² Every occupational group is projected to add jobs during the 2-year projections period, with growth ranging from 3.2% for Legal Occupations to 18.0% for Food Preparation & Serving Related (**Figure 3**). The five occupational groups with the largest gains are Food Preparation & Serving Related (+21,732 or +18.0%), Transportation & Material Moving (+14,166 or +11.5%), Office & Administrative Support (+8,692 or +3.9%), Management (+8,325 or +6.6%) and Personal Care & Service (+7,817 or +13.3%). These five major occupational groups represent a combined 38% of base quarter employment and 51% of projected growth.

Other large occupational groups, all with base employment of 100,000 or more have projected growth of 7,002 or less and by 5.2% or less. Sales and Related is expected to add 7,002, an increase of 4.5%. Education, Training & Library Occupations has projected gains of 5,177 or +4.2%, Business & Financial Operations is expected to increase by 5,155 or 5.2%, and Healthcare Practitioners & Technical is expected to increase by 4,428 or +4.1%.

Each occupation is assigned an education value based on the minimum education necessary to enter an occupation and is shown in **Figure 4**. Over the two years, 34% of projected job growth will be in occupations that require a credential or degree beyond high school. This share of occupational growth is 11 points above the level projected last year, which reflects the differences between the 2020Q2 base used last year and the 2021Q2 base used for

Fig 4. Occupational Projections by Educational Attainment

Level of Educational Attainment	2021Q2	2023Q2	Emp. Change	% Change
Total All Occupations	1,722,162	1,841,001	118,839	6.9%
No formal educational credential	356,606	396,664	40,058	11.2%
High school diploma or equivalent	625,167	663,669	38,502	6.2%
Postsecondary non-degree award	113,111	119,687	6,576	5.8%
Some college, no degree	61,027	64,569	3,542	5.8%
Associate's degree	35,725	37,486	1,761	4.9%
Bachelor's degree	439,020	463,315	24,295	5.5%
Master's degree	35,563	37,383	1,820	5.1%
Doctoral or professional degree	55,943	58,228	2,285	4.1%

this round of projections. The COVID-recession heavily impacted sectors of the economy that required public-facing operations such as food service, retail, and other employment that was not able to shift to telework or alternative arrangements. The 2021 base quarter reflects the economy one year into its recovery, after many of the hardest hit sectors had regained a large portion of their early 2020 employment losses. This shift was noted last year, which stated that “employment growth to higher levels of educational attainment can be expected in future rounds of short-term projections as the economy recovers from the pandemic”.³

Connecticut's Projections Compared to Nearby States

Connecticut's projected 2021-2023 growth is shown in **Figure 5** to be higher than the northern New England states of Maine, Massachusetts, and New Hampshire, but lower than Rhode Island and Vermont. The lower projected growth to the north may correspond with the higher recovery rates those states have experienced compared to Connecticut, whereas our larger projected growth neighbors of New York and Vermont both have recovery rates currently below 77%.

Risks to projection

The projections were produced in early 2022 using the best information available at that time. Since the projections were completed, Connecticut has continued to report job growth confirming the validity of the projections process and the strength of the Connecticut economy. The largest risks to the projections are outside our state and include the international conflict in Europe and higher energy prices in addition to Federal Reserve actions to reduce the rate of inflation. And of course, a resurgence of COVID-19 could

Fig 5. Two Year Projections - Northeast States

Area	2021	2023	# Change	% Change	Avg. Ann. Openings
Connecticut	1,722,162	1,841,001	118,839	6.9	250,572
Maine	673,680	689,540	15,860	2.4	82,040
Massachusetts	3,494,320	3,621,580	127,260	3.6	211,250
New Hampshire	699,690	725,630	25,940	3.7	90,570
New York	9,486,890	10,132,790	645,900	6.8	1,372,110
Pennsylvania	6,060,370	6,173,770	113,400	1.9	723,040
Rhode Island	491,500	533,410	41,910	8.5	75,740
Vermont	326,770	349,710	22,940	7.0	47,670

Note: Projections Include Self-Employed and Unpaid Family Workers

also reduce employment growth. On the other hand, increased federal infrastructure investments, initiatives to enhance Connecticut's workforce, and the large number of job openings currently reported suggest there are positive risks as well.

Conclusions

Connecticut's short-term projections show that the state is expected to continue the strong employment growth that has occurred in the past year as it recovers from the sharp and short pandemic-induced recession of 2020. From 2020-2021, employment grew by 2.7% and the annual unemployment

rate fell from 7.8% to 6.3%.⁴ As of March 2022, the state has recovered 81.8% of 289,000 jobs lost two years ago and current employment is at 96.9% of February 2020 levels. The recovery is still ongoing, but recent economic data and our short-term projections both suggest the state is heading in the right direction. ■

Data Limitations: The Department of Labor's short-term projections in this report have been carefully prepared to ensure accuracy, but by nature are subject to error. For more detail on the short-term occupational projections, visit <https://>

projectionscentral.org/Projections/ShortTerm

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GENERAL ECONOMIC INDICATORS

<i>(Seasonally adjusted)</i>	4Q	4Q	YoY CHG		3Q	QoQ CHG	
	2021	2020	NO.	%	2021	NO.	%
General Drift Indicator (2007=100)*							
Leading	108.8	106.6	2.2	2.1	106.5	2.3	2.14
Coincident	92.3	91.7	0.6	0.7	92.1	0.2	0.19
Real Gross Domestic Product** <i>(Millions of chained 2012 dollars)</i>			YoY CHG			QoQ CHG	
	3Q	3Q	NO.	%	2Q	NO.	%
Connecticut	247,415.7	237,296.8	10,118.9	4.3	245,803.0	1,612.7	0.7
United States	19,478,893	18,560,774	918,119	4.9	19,368,310	110,583	0.6
New England	999,386.6	959,017.2	40,369.4	4.2	993,019.3	6,367.3	0.6
Per Capita Personal Income** <i>(Current \$, SAAR)</i>			YoY CHG			QoQ CHG	
	4Q	4Q	NO.	%	3Q	NO.	%
Connecticut	82,204	77,663	4,541	5.8	81,377	827	1.0
United States	62,968	58,851	4,117	7.0	62,651	317	0.5
New England	76,442	71,956	4,486	6.2	76,091	351	0.5
Philadelphia Fed's Coincident Index (2007=100)***			YoY CHG			MoM CHG	
	Mar	Mar	NO.	%	Feb	NO.	%
Connecticut	118.59	110.91	7.67	6.9	117.64	0.95	0.8
United States	133.07	125.58	7.49	6.0	132.47	0.60	0.5

Sources: *Dr. Steven P. Lanza, University of Connecticut, <https://steven-lanza.uconn.edu/the-connecticut-green-sheet/>
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 increased
over the year.

EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY SECTOR

	Mar	Mar	CHANGE		Feb
	2022	2021	NO.	%	2022
(Seasonally adjusted; 000s)					
TOTAL NONFARM	1,646.4	1,598.7	47.7	3.0	1,641.8
Natural Res & Mining	0.6	0.5	0.1	20.0	0.6
Construction	62.7	59.4	3.3	5.6	61.4
Manufacturing	158.4	153.0	5.4	3.5	158.1
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	297.8	290.0	7.8	2.7	296.9
Information	30.6	29.3	1.3	4.4	30.7
Financial Activities	117.7	118.8	-1.1	-0.9	118.3
Professional and Business Services	215.0	210.9	4.1	1.9	212.1
Education and Health Services	334.2	333.2	1.0	0.3	334.0
Leisure and Hospitality	144.6	124.1	20.5	16.5	144.1
Other Services	60.1	56.9	3.2	5.6	60.0
Government*	224.7	222.6	2.1	0.9	225.6

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

Average weekly initial
claims fell from a year
ago.

UNEMPLOYMENT

	Mar	Mar	CHANGE		Feb
	2022	2021	NO.	%	2022
(Seasonally adjusted)					
Labor Force, resident (000s)	1,879.4	1,847.9	31.5	1.7	1,869.1
Employed (000s)	1,793.3	1,718.9	74.4	4.3	1,778.0
Unemployed (000s)	86.2	129.0	-42.8	-33.2	91.1
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.6	7.0	-2.4	---	4.9
Labor Force Participation Rate (%)	64.0	63.3	0.7	---	63.6
Employment-Population Ratio (%)	61.0	58.8	2.2	---	60.5
Average Weekly Initial Claims	2,275	7,780	-5,505	-70.8	2,837
Avg. Insured Unemp. Rate (%)	1.45	3.76	-2.31	---	1.57
	1Q 2022	1Q 2021			2021
U-6 Rate (%)	9.2	15.2	-6.0	---	10.7

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

The production worker
weekly earnings rose over
the year.

MANUFACTURING ACTIVITY

	Mar	Mar	CHANGE		Feb	Jan
	2022	2021	NO.	%	2022	2022
(Not seasonally adjusted)						
Production Worker Avg Wkly Hours	40.1	39.6	0.5	1.3	40.2	--
Prod. Worker Avg Hourly Earnings	27.68	27.74	-0.06	-0.2	27.61	--
Prod. Worker Avg Weekly Earnings	1,109.97	1,098.50	11.47	1.0	1,109.92	--
CT Mfg. Prod. Index, NSA (2012=100)	97.1	95.4	1.74	1.8	94.5	95.9
Production Worker Hours (000s)	4,062	3,884	178	4.6	4,056	--
Industrial Electricity Sales (mil kWh)*	223	228	-5	-2.3	214	226
CT Mfg. Prod. Index, SA (2012=100)	100.8	99.2	1.61	1.6	100.2	101.0

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

*Latest two months are forecasted.

Personal income
increased 6.1 percent
from a year earlier.

INCOME

	4Q	4Q	CHANGE		3Q
	2021	2020	NO.	%	2021
(\$ Millions, SA, annualized)					
Personal Income	\$296,802.7	\$279,843.3	\$16,959.4	6.1	\$293,556.8
Wages and Salaries	\$133,551.2	\$123,839.2	\$9,712.0	7.8	\$130,458.7

Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis

BUSINESS ACTIVITY

New auto registrations decreased over the year.

	MONTH	LEVEL	YY %	YEAR TO DATE		%
			CHG	CURRENT	PRIOR	CHG
New Housing Permits*	Mar 2022	351	-37.8	1,167	1,094	6.7
Electricity Sales (mil kWh)	Feb 2022	2,215	-2.7	4,826	4,746	1.7
Construction Contracts Index (1980=100)	Mar 2022	246.8	-32.5	---	---	---
New Auto Registrations	Mar 2022	16,062	-27.0	42,494	55,579	-23.5
Exports (Bil. \$)	4Q 2021	3.60	9.7	14.57	13.83	5.4
S&P 500: Monthly Close	Mar 2022	4,530.41	14.0	---	---	---

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 Department of Labor, was up over the year.

	MO/QTR	LEVEL	YY %	YEAR TO DATE		%
			CHG	CURRENT	PRIOR	CHG
STARTS						
Secretary of the State	Mar 2022	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Department of Labor	3Q 2021	3,447	1.4	11,784	9,536	23.6
TERMINATIONS						
Secretary of the State	Mar 2022	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Department of Labor	3Q 2021	1,800	-16.0	5,761	6,597	-12.7

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

STATE REVENUES

Gaming payments were down from a year ago.

(Millions of dollars)	Mar	Mar	%	YEAR TO DATE		%
	2022	2021	CHG	CURRENT	PRIOR	CHG
TOTAL ALL REVENUES*	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Corporate Tax	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Personal Income Tax	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Real Estate Conv. Tax	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Sales & Use Tax	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Gaming Payments**	18.8	18.9	-0.5	50.3	52.4	-4.2

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 rose over the year.

	MONTH	LEVEL	YY %	YEAR TO DATE		%
			CHG	CURRENT	PRIOR	CHG
Occupancy Rate (%)*	Mar 2022	55.5	17.8	51.4	42.4	21.2
Tourism Website Visitors	Mar 2022	443,568	61.9	1,232,947	724,930	70.1
Air Passenger Count	Feb 2022	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Gaming Slots (Mil.\$)***	Mar 2022	900.3	4.3	2,436.2	2,257.3	7.9

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 4.8 percent over the year.

EMPLOYMENT COST INDEX

Private Industry Workers (Dec. 2005 = 100)	Seasonally Adjusted			Not Seasonally Adjusted		
	Mar	Dec	3-Mo	Mar	Mar	12-Mo
	2022	2021	% Chg	2022	2021	% Chg
UNITED STATES TOTAL	150.0	147.9	1.4	150.2	143.3	4.8
Wages and Salaries	151.7	149.8	1.3	151.8	144.6	5.0
Benefit Costs	146.1	143.4	1.9	146.1	140.3	4.1
NORTHEAST TOTAL	---	---	---	152.2	146.1	4.2
Wages and Salaries	---	---	---	153.1	146.7	4.4

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

U.S. inflation rate was up by 8.5 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	Mar 2022	287.504	8.5	1.3	
Purchasing Power of \$ (1982-84=\$1.00)	Mar 2022	0.348	-7.9	-1.3	
Northeast Region	Mar 2022	298.403	7.3	1.3	
New York-Newark-Jersey City	Mar 2022	305.024	6.1	1.3	
Boston-Cambridge-Newton**	Mar 2022	310.311	7.3	1.9	
CPI-W (1982-84=100)					
U.S. City Average	Mar 2022	283.176	9.4	1.5	

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 4.17 percent over the month.

INTEREST RATES

(Percent)	Mar	Feb	Mar
	2022	2022	2021
Prime	3.37	3.25	3.25
Federal Funds	0.20	0.08	0.07
3 Month Treasury Bill	0.45	0.31	0.03
6 Month Treasury Bill	0.86	0.64	0.05
1 Year Treasury Note	1.34	1.00	0.08
3 Year Treasury Note	2.09	1.65	0.32
5 Year Treasury Note	2.11	1.81	0.82
7 Year Treasury Note	2.15	1.91	1.27
10 Year Treasury Note	2.13	1.93	1.61
20 Year Treasury Note	2.51	2.31	2.24
Conventional Mortgage	4.17	3.76	3.08

Sources: Federal Reserve; Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp.

NONFARM EMPLOYMENT

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

<i>(Seasonally adjusted; 000s)</i>	Mar	Mar	CHANGE		Feb
	2022	2021	NO.	%	2022
Connecticut	1,646.4	1,598.7	47.7	3.0	1,641.8
Maine	638.7	619.5	19.2	3.1	635.1
Massachusetts	3,651.1	3,464.7	186.4	5.4	3,630.1
New Hampshire	679.9	654.8	25.1	3.8	676.7
New Jersey	4,175.2	3,957.9	217.3	5.5	4,157.4
New York	9,375.2	8,919.1	456.1	5.1	9,347.1
Pennsylvania	5,902.3	5,706.4	195.9	3.4	5,886.5
Rhode Island	491.7	474.6	17.1	3.6	491.3
Vermont	299.6	289.4	10.2	3.5	299.7
United States	150,925.0	144,431.0	6,494.0	4.5	150,494.0

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

LABOR FORCE

Five states posted increases in the labor force from last year.

<i>(Seasonally adjusted)</i>	Mar	Mar	CHANGE		Feb
	2022	2021	NO.	%	2022
Connecticut	1,879,419	1,847,871	31,548	1.7	1,869,116
Maine	679,433	682,910	-3,477	-0.5	680,015
Massachusetts	3,775,288	3,735,369	39,919	1.1	3,772,543
New Hampshire	758,616	755,492	3,124	0.4	756,659
New Jersey	4,618,709	4,657,234	-38,525	-0.8	4,622,687
New York	9,376,546	9,548,482	-171,936	-1.8	9,369,054
Pennsylvania	6,387,365	6,443,504	-56,139	-0.9	6,370,062
Rhode Island	568,879	568,817	62	0.0	568,599
Vermont	331,412	327,547	3,865	1.2	330,023
United States	164,409,000	160,631,000	3,778,000	2.4	163,991,000

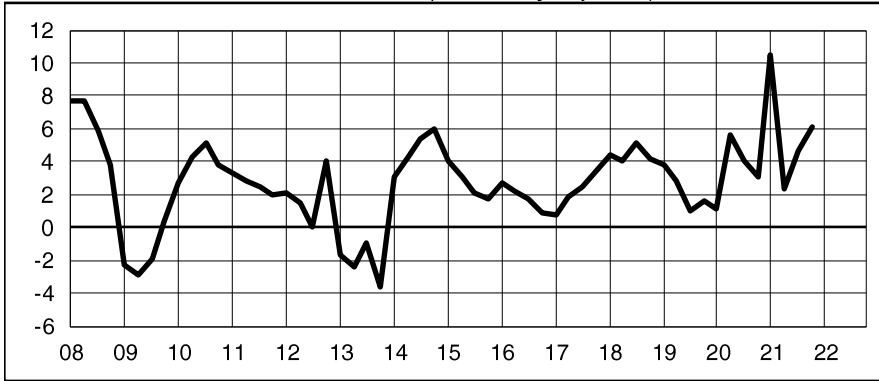
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UNEMPLOYMENT RATES

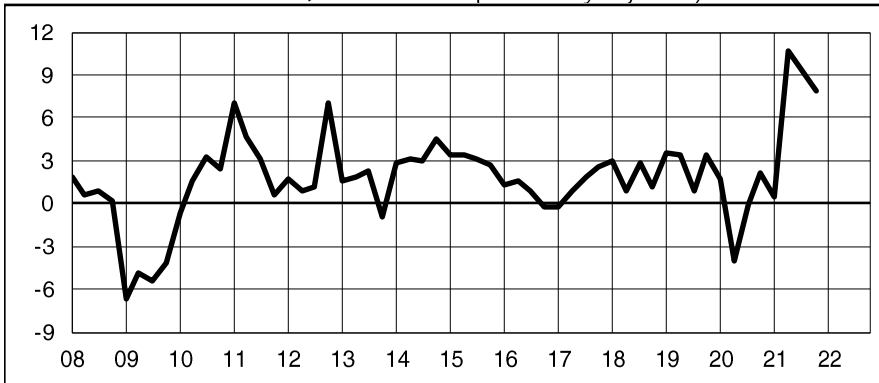
All states showed a decrease in its unemployment rate over the year.

<i>(Seasonally adjusted)</i>	Mar	Mar	CHANGE		Feb
	2022	2021			2022
Connecticut	4.6	7.0	-2.4		4.9
Maine	3.6	4.8	-1.2		4.0
Massachusetts	4.3	6.4	-2.1		4.7
New Hampshire	2.5	3.9	-1.4		2.7
New Jersey	4.2	6.9	-2.7		4.6
New York	4.6	7.9	-3.3		4.9
Pennsylvania	4.9	7.1	-2.2		5.1
Rhode Island	3.4	6.0	-2.6		3.9
Vermont	2.7	3.8	-1.1		2.9
United States	3.6	6.0	-2.4		3.8

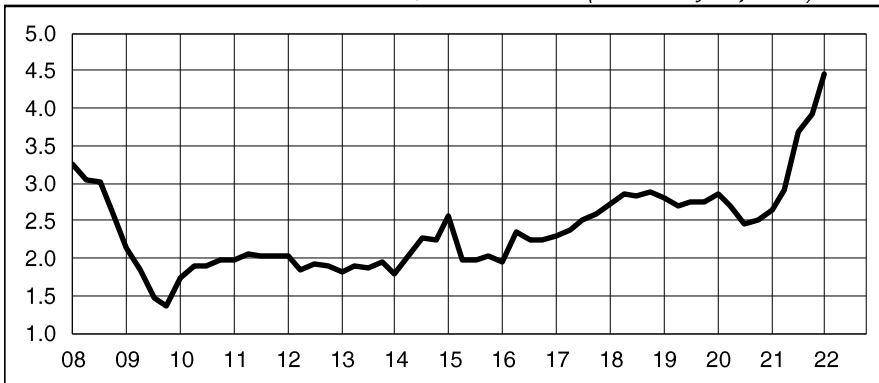
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PERSONAL INCOME, YOY % CHG *(Seasonally adjusted)*

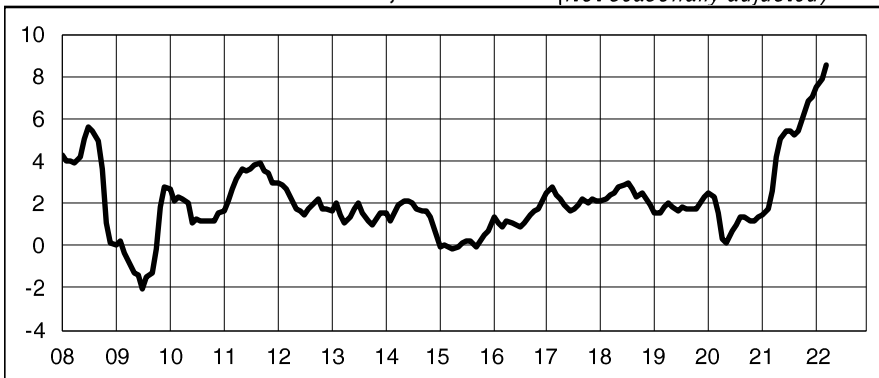
Quarter	2020	2021	2022
First	1.1	10.5	
Second	5.6	2.3	
Third	4.1	4.7	
Fourth	3.1	6.1	

WAGES AND SALARIES, YOY % CHG *(Seasonally adjusted)*

Quarter	2020	2021	2022
First	1.7	0.4	
Second	-4.1	10.7	
Third	-0.1	9.2	
Fourth	2.1	7.8	

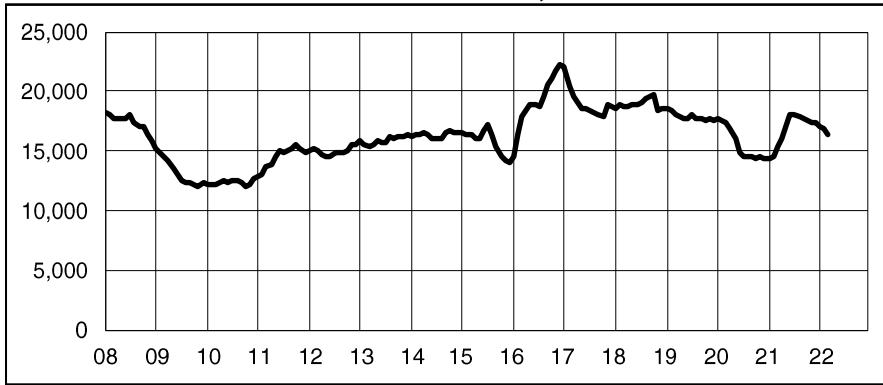
U.S. EMPLOYMENT COST INDEX, YOY % CHG *(Seasonally adjusted)*

Quarter	2020	2021	2022
First	2.9	2.6	4.5
Second	2.7	2.9	
Third	2.5	3.7	
Fourth	2.5	3.9	

U.S. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, YOY % CHG *(Not seasonally adjusted)*

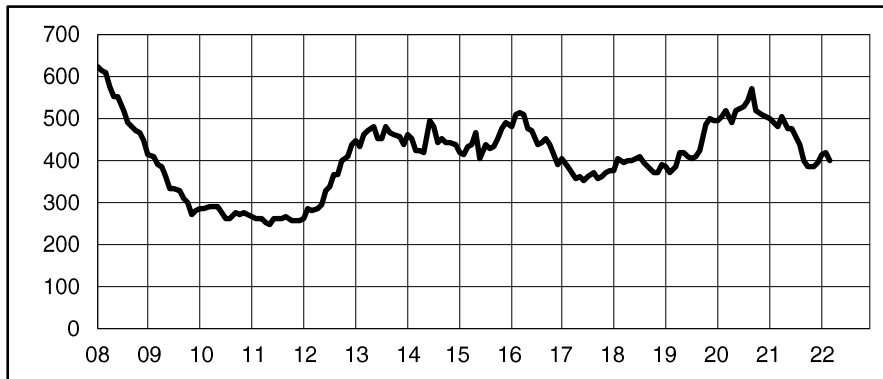
Month	2020	2021	2022
Jan	2.5	1.4	7.5
Feb	2.3	1.7	7.9
Mar	1.5	2.6	8.5
Apr	0.3	4.2	
May	0.1	5.0	
Jun	0.6	5.4	
Jul	1.0	5.4	
Aug	1.3	5.3	
Sep	1.4	5.4	
Oct	1.2	6.2	
Nov	1.2	6.8	
Dec	1.4	7.0	

NEW AUTO REGISTRATIONS PROCESSED, 12 MMA



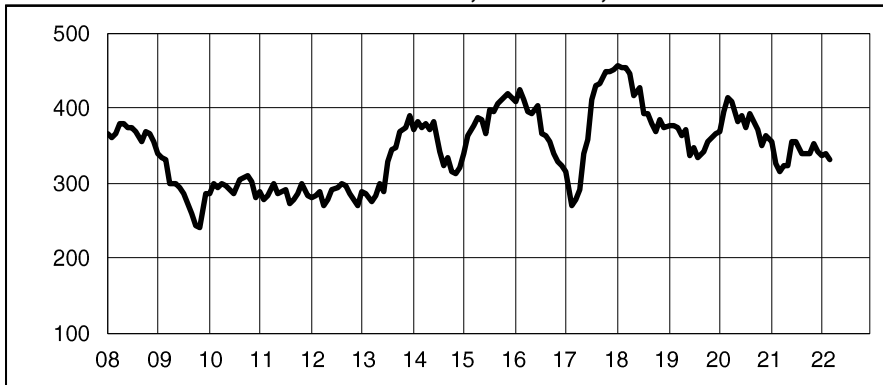
Month	2020	2021	2022
Jan	17,636	14,284	17,095
Feb	17,479	14,530	16,835
Mar	17,364	15,382	16,339
Apr	16,858	16,026	
May	16,063	16,985	
Jun	14,834	17,985	
Jul	14,468	18,055	
Aug	14,455	17,878	
Sep	14,494	17,779	
Oct	14,408	17,472	
Nov	14,509	17,439	
Dec	14,290	17,430	

NEW HOUSING PERMITS, 12 MMA



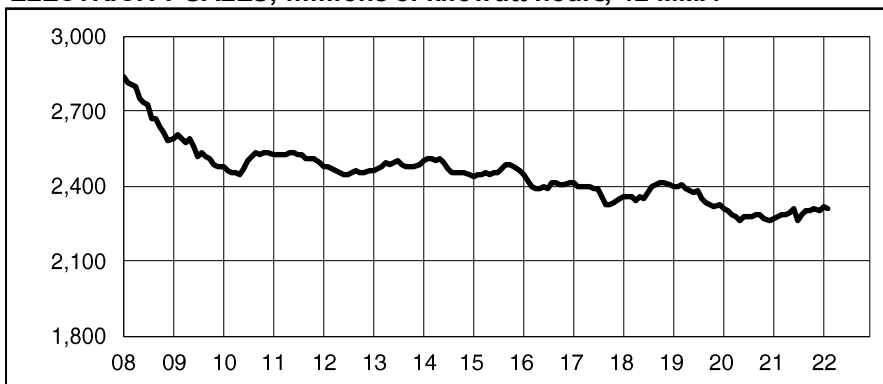
Month	2020	2021	2022
Jan	492	500	410
Feb	503	486	416
Mar	516	479	399
Apr	489	504	
May	516	476	
Jun	520	474	
Jul	525	457	
Aug	541	435	
Sep	570	398	
Oct	517	384	
Nov	507	384	
Dec	503	393	

CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS INDEX, 1980=100, 12 MMA



Month	2020	2021	2022
Jan	368.9	355.3	334.9
Feb	394.4	325.7	339.9
Mar	413.4	314.6	330.0
Apr	409.0	321.4	
May	381.8	322.4	
Jun	388.1	355.7	
Jul	373.4	353.5	
Aug	391.8	337.9	
Sep	381.1	339.6	
Oct	371.9	339.4	
Nov	349.2	352.3	
Dec	362.1	341.7	

ELECTRICITY SALES, millions of kilowatt hours, 12 MMA



Month	2020	2021	2022
Jan	2,308	2,267	2,314
Feb	2,303	2,276	2,309
Mar	2,285	2,281	
Apr	2,273	2,287	
May	2,264	2,295	
Jun	2,279	2,306	
Jul	2,278	2,263	
Aug	2,280	2,288	
Sep	2,286	2,300	
Oct	2,281	2,303	
Nov	2,271	2,309	
Dec	2,260	2,302	

CONNECTICUT



Not Seasonally Adjusted

	Mar 2022	Mar 2021	CHANGE		Feb 2022
			NO.	%	
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT	1,630,500	1,578,700	51,800	3.3	1,617,500
TOTAL PRIVATE	1,400,700	1,350,900	49,800	3.7	1,387,500
GOODS PRODUCING INDUSTRIES	216,400	207,400	9,000	4.3	213,000
CONSTRUCTION, NAT. RES. & MINING	58,600	55,100	3,500	6.4	55,800
MANUFACTURING	157,800	152,300	5,500	3.6	157,200
Durable Goods	122,800	119,800	3,000	2.5	122,500
Fabricated Metal.....	28,200	27,400	800	2.9	28,200
Machinery.....	13,400	12,800	600	4.7	13,300
Computer and Electronic Product.....	10,200	9,900	300	3.0	10,200
Transportation Equipment.....	45,300	45,100	200	0.4	45,200
Aerospace Product and Parts.....	30,000	30,300	-300	-1.0	29,900
Non-Durable Goods	35,000	32,500	2,500	7.7	34,700
Chemical.....	7,800	8,000	-200	-2.5	7,700
SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES	1,414,100	1,371,300	42,800	3.1	1,404,500
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, UTILITIES	295,200	284,300	10,900	3.8	294,100
Wholesale Trade.....	59,600	56,200	3,400	6.0	59,000
Retail Trade.....	166,900	164,200	2,700	1.6	166,400
Motor Vehicle and Parts Dealers.....	20,700	20,100	600	3.0	20,500
Building Material.....	15,600	15,700	-100	-0.6	15,200
Food and Beverage Stores.....	39,700	42,400	-2,700	-6.4	39,500
General Merchandise Stores.....	27,200	26,200	1,000	3.8	27,700
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities....	68,700	63,900	4,800	7.5	68,700
Utilities.....	5,000	5,000	0	0.0	5,000
Transportation and Warehousing.....	63,700	58,900	4,800	8.1	63,700
INFORMATION	30,500	29,200	1,300	4.5	30,600
Telecommunications.....	5,900	6,100	-200	-3.3	5,900
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	117,600	118,300	-700	-0.6	118,000
Finance and Insurance.....	98,600	100,100	-1,500	-1.5	98,900
Credit Intermediation and Related.....	20,600	21,700	-1,100	-5.1	20,700
Financial Investments and Related.....	21,800	21,400	400	1.9	22,000
Insurance Carriers & Related Activities....	56,200	57,000	-800	-1.4	56,200
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing.....	19,000	18,200	800	4.4	19,100
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	211,400	206,400	5,000	2.4	206,700
Professional, Scientific.....	97,400	94,500	2,900	3.1	97,100
Legal Services.....	11,800	11,600	200	1.7	11,800
Computer Systems Design.....	22,100	22,000	100	0.5	22,100
Management of Companies.....	30,400	30,500	-100	-0.3	30,300
Administrative and Support.....	83,600	81,400	2,200	2.7	79,300
Employment Services.....	27,100	26,700	400	1.5	26,500
EDUCATION AND HEALTH SERVICES	335,000	333,400	1,600	0.5	334,300
Educational Services.....	69,300	66,100	3,200	4.8	68,600
Health Care and Social Assistance.....	265,700	267,300	-1,600	-0.6	265,700
Hospitals.....	58,900	59,800	-900	-1.5	59,000
Nursing & Residential Care Facilities.....	51,400	53,900	-2,500	-4.6	51,400
Social Assistance.....	63,300	62,400	900	1.4	63,400
LEISURE AND HOSPITALITY	135,600	116,000	19,600	16.9	131,800
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation.....	20,900	17,200	3,700	21.5	19,900
Accommodation and Food Services.....	114,700	98,800	15,900	16.1	111,900
Food Serv., Restaurants, Drinking Places.	106,800	92,900	13,900	15.0	104,200
OTHER SERVICES	59,000	55,900	3,100	5.5	59,000
GOVERNMENT	229,800	227,800	2,000	0.9	230,000
Federal Government.....	18,100	18,200	-100	-0.5	18,300
State Government.....	72,000	72,000	0	0.0	71,800
Local Government**.....	139,700	137,600	2,100	1.5	139,900

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

BRIDGEPORT - STAMFORD LMA



Not Seasonally Adjusted

	Mar 2022	Mar 2021	CHANGE		Feb 2022
			NO.	%	
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT	387,800	373,700	14,100	3.8	386,900
TOTAL PRIVATE	346,400	331,600	14,800	4.5	345,200
GOODS PRODUCING INDUSTRIES	41,600	39,100	2,500	6.4	41,100
CONSTRUCTION, NAT. RES. & MINING	12,500	11,700	800	6.8	12,200
MANUFACTURING	29,100	27,400	1,700	6.2	28,900
Durable Goods.....	22,800	22,000	800	3.6	22,700
SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES	346,200	334,600	11,600	3.5	345,800
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, UTILITIES	65,500	63,200	2,300	3.6	65,300
Wholesale Trade.....	12,700	12,100	600	5.0	12,600
Retail Trade.....	43,600	42,400	1,200	2.8	43,500
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities....	9,200	8,700	500	5.7	9,200
INFORMATION	11,500	11,900	-400	-3.4	11,600
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	34,800	35,000	-200	-0.6	35,300
Finance and Insurance.....	29,200	29,500	-300	-1.0	29,700
Credit Intermediation and Related.....	6,600	7,500	-900	-12.0	6,600
Financial Investments and Related.....	16,300	15,400	900	5.8	16,400
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	63,200	61,300	1,900	3.1	63,200
Professional, Scientific.....	30,100	29,600	500	1.7	30,500
Administrative and Support.....	24,000	21,600	2,400	11.1	23,400
EDUCATION AND HEALTH SERVICES	76,200	73,600	2,600	3.5	76,100
Health Care and Social Assistance.....	64,100	61,700	2,400	3.9	63,900
LEISURE AND HOSPITALITY	37,400	32,300	5,100	15.8	36,400
Accommodation and Food Services.....	29,900	25,700	4,200	16.3	29,400
OTHER SERVICES	16,200	15,200	1,000	6.6	16,200
GOVERNMENT	41,400	42,100	-700	-1.7	41,700
Federal.....	2,400	2,400	0	0.0	2,400
State & Local.....	39,000	39,700	-700	-1.8	39,300

DANBURY LMA

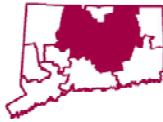


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	Mar 2022	Mar 2021	CHANGE		Feb 2022
			NO.	%	
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT	74,100	71,900	2,200	3.1	73,700
TOTAL PRIVATE	64,400	62,200	2,200	3.5	64,000
GOODS PRODUCING INDUSTRIES	11,900	11,300	600	5.3	11,500
SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES	62,200	60,600	1,600	2.6	62,200
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, UTILITIES	17,100	16,800	300	1.8	17,200
Retail Trade.....	11,500	11,500	0	0.0	11,700
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	8,900	8,500	400	4.7	8,700
LEISURE AND HOSPITALITY	6,600	5,800	800	13.8	6,500
GOVERNMENT	9,700	9,700	0	0.0	9,700
Federal.....	700	700	0	0.0	700
State & Local.....	9,000	9,000	0	0.0	9,000

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*Total excludes workers idled due to labor-management disputes.

HARTFORD LMA*Not Seasonally Adjusted*

	Mar	Mar	CHANGE		Feb
	2022	2021	NO.	%	2022
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT	564,500	551,700	12,800	2.3	560,000
TOTAL PRIVATE	471,100	459,700	11,400	2.5	466,700
GOODS PRODUCING INDUSTRIES	76,500	73,600	2,900	3.9	76,000
CONSTRUCTION, NAT. RES. & MINING	19,500	18,800	700	3.7	19,000
MANUFACTURING	57,000	54,800	2,200	4.0	57,000
Durable Goods.....	46,800	45,300	1,500	3.3	46,800
Non-Durable Goods.....	10,200	9,500	700	7.4	10,200
SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES	488,000	478,100	9,900	2.1	484,000
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, UTILITIES	90,400	89,000	1,400	1.6	89,700
Wholesale Trade.....	16,400	15,700	700	4.5	15,800
Retail Trade.....	49,200	49,900	-700	-1.4	48,900
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities....	24,800	23,400	1,400	6.0	25,000
Transportation and Warehousing.....	24,100	22,600	1,500	6.6	24,200
INFORMATION	8,700	8,500	200	2.4	8,800
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	51,200	54,500	-3,300	-6.1	50,900
Depository Credit Institutions.....	4,900	5,400	-500	-9.3	5,000
Insurance Carriers & Related Activities....	36,100	37,900	-1,800	-4.7	36,100
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	75,000	71,300	3,700	5.2	73,900
Professional, Scientific.....	35,300	33,200	2,100	6.3	35,200
Management of Companies.....	12,500	12,400	100	0.8	12,400
Administrative and Support.....	27,200	25,700	1,500	5.8	26,300
EDUCATION AND HEALTH SERVICES	107,500	107,200	300	0.3	107,600
Educational Services.....	13,900	13,300	600	4.5	13,800
Health Care and Social Assistance.....	93,600	93,900	-300	-0.3	93,800
Ambulatory Health Care.....	32,400	32,000	400	1.3	32,400
LEISURE AND HOSPITALITY	41,100	35,700	5,400	15.1	39,000
Accommodation and Food Services.....	35,700	31,000	4,700	15.2	34,000
OTHER SERVICES	20,700	19,900	800	4.0	20,800
GOVERNMENT	93,400	92,000	1,400	1.5	93,300
Federal.....	5,200	5,300	-100	-1.9	5,300
State & Local.....	88,200	86,700	1,500	1.7	88,000

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT*Seasonally Adjusted*

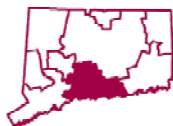
Labor Market Areas	Mar	Mar	CHANGE		Feb
	2022	2021	NO.	%	2022
BRIDGEPORT-STAMFORD LMA	394,300	380,400	13,900	3.7	395,500
DANBURY LMA	74,900	73,100	1,800	2.5	74,800
HARTFORD LMA	567,700	555,600	12,100	2.2	565,400
NEW HAVEN LMA	295,100	283,900	11,200	3.9	293,800
NORWICH-NEW LONDON LMA	119,000	116,700	2,300	2.0	118,800
WATERBURY LMA	65,700	63,900	1,800	2.8	65,700
ENFIELD LMA**	41,500	41,600	-100	-0.2	41,500
TORRINGTON-NORTHWEST LMA**	31,900	31,200	700	2.2	31,900
DANIELSON-NORTHEAST LMA**	26,400	26,000	400	1.5	26,500

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*Total excludes workers idled due to labor-management disputes

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

NEW HAVEN LMA



Not Seasonally Adjusted

	Mar	Mar	CHANGE		Feb
	2022	2021	NO.	%	2022
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT	291,200	280,000	11,200	4.0	289,400
TOTAL PRIVATE	255,200	245,600	9,600	3.9	253,400
GOODS PRODUCING INDUSTRIES	33,600	33,200	400	1.2	33,300
CONSTRUCTION, NAT. RES. & MINING	10,400	10,600	-200	-1.9	10,100
MANUFACTURING	23,200	22,600	600	2.7	23,200
Durable Goods.....	16,700	16,400	300	1.8	16,600
SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES	257,600	246,800	10,800	4.4	256,100
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, UTILITIES	57,700	53,800	3,900	7.2	57,400
Wholesale Trade.....	11,300	10,800	500	4.6	11,200
Retail Trade.....	27,700	26,400	1,300	4.9	27,500
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities....	18,700	16,600	2,100	12.7	18,700
INFORMATION	3,800	3,800	0	0.0	3,800
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	11,700	11,800	-100	-0.8	11,800
Finance and Insurance.....	7,800	8,000	-200	-2.5	7,800
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	31,200	30,100	1,100	3.7	31,100
Administrative and Support.....	15,800	15,500	300	1.9	15,600
EDUCATION AND HEALTH SERVICES	84,700	84,000	700	0.8	84,200
Educational Services.....	33,200	31,600	1,600	5.1	32,900
Health Care and Social Assistance.....	51,500	52,400	-900	-1.7	51,300
LEISURE AND HOSPITALITY	22,000	19,000	3,000	15.8	21,300
Accommodation and Food Services.....	18,200	16,300	1,900	11.7	18,000
OTHER SERVICES	10,500	9,900	600	6.1	10,500
GOVERNMENT	36,000	34,400	1,600	4.7	36,000
Federal.....	4,900	4,900	0	0.0	4,900
State & Local.....	31,100	29,500	1,600	5.4	31,100

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*Total excludes workers idled due to labor-management disputes. **Value less than 50

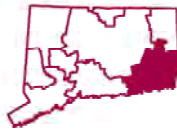
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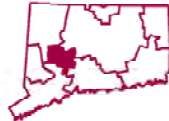
Workforce Area	March Total Ads	Industry Sector With Most Ads	Ads	Occupation With Most Ads	Ads
Eastern	7,607	Health Care & Soc. Asst.	1,773	Registered Nurses	456
North Central	38,010	Health Care & Soc. Asst.	8,142	Registered Nurses	3,299
Northwest	13,110	Health Care & Soc. Asst.	3,769	Registered Nurses	1,309
South Central	22,738	Health Care & Soc. Asst.	6,262	Registered Nurses	2,305
Southwest	24,078	Health Care & Soc. Asst.	5,015	Registered Nurses	1,767

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*

	Mar 2022	Mar 2021	CHANGE		Feb 2022
			NO.	%	
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT	116,900	113,900	3,000	2.6	116,300
TOTAL PRIVATE	91,300	89,000	2,300	2.6	90,800
GOODS PRODUCING INDUSTRIES	22,200	21,200	1,000	4.7	21,900
CONSTRUCTION, NAT. RES. & MINING	4,000	3,600	400	11.1	3,900
MANUFACTURING	18,200	17,600	600	3.4	18,000
Durable Goods.....	14,800	14,200	600	4.2	14,700
Non-Durable Goods.....	3,400	3,400	0	0.0	3,300
SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES	94,700	92,700	2,000	2.2	94,400
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, UTILITIES	20,700	20,400	300	1.5	20,800
Wholesale Trade.....	2,300	2,200	100	4.5	2,300
Retail Trade.....	14,500	14,300	200	1.4	14,500
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities.....	3,900	3,900	0	0.0	4,000
INFORMATION	1,300	1,300	0	0.0	1,300
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	2,700	2,700	0	0.0	2,700
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	8,900	8,600	300	3.5	8,800
EDUCATION AND HEALTH SERVICES	19,800	20,700	-900	-4.3	19,800
Health Care and Social Assistance.....	17,200	18,000	-800	-4.4	17,000
LEISURE AND HOSPITALITY	12,500	11,300	1,200	10.6	12,300
Accommodation and Food Services.....	10,900	9,800	1,100	11.2	10,700
Food Serv., Restaurants, Drinking Places.....	10,100	8,500	1,600	18.8	9,900
OTHER SERVICES	3,200	2,800	400	14.3	3,200
GOVERNMENT	25,600	24,900	700	2.8	25,500
Federal.....	2,900	2,900	0	0.0	2,900
State & Local**.....	22,700	22,000	700	3.2	22,600

WATERBURY LMA*Not Seasonally Adjusted*

	Mar 2022	Mar 2021	CHANGE		Feb 2022
			NO.	%	
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT	65,000	62,900	2,100	3.3	64,900
TOTAL PRIVATE	54,900	52,600	2,300	4.4	54,700
GOODS PRODUCING INDUSTRIES	10,000	9,500	500	5.3	9,800
CONSTRUCTION, NAT. RES. & MINING	2,800	2,500	300	12.0	2,700
MANUFACTURING	7,200	7,000	200	2.9	7,100
SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES	55,000	53,400	1,600	3.0	55,100
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, UTILITIES	12,400	12,400	0	0.0	12,400
Wholesale Trade.....	1,900	1,800	100	5.6	1,900
Retail Trade.....	8,500	8,600	-100	-1.2	8,500
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities.....	2,000	2,000	0	0.0	2,000
INFORMATION	500	500	0	0.0	600
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	1,800	1,900	-100	-5.3	1,800
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	5,400	4,700	700	14.9	5,400
EDUCATION AND HEALTH SERVICES	17,200	16,900	300	1.8	17,200
Health Care and Social Assistance.....	15,200	15,100	100	0.7	15,200
LEISURE AND HOSPITALITY	5,200	4,500	700	15.6	5,100
OTHER SERVICES	2,400	2,200	200	9.1	2,400
GOVERNMENT	10,100	10,300	-200	-1.9	10,200
Federal.....	400	500	-100	-20.0	400
State & Local.....	9,700	9,800	-100	-1.0	9,800

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

SMALLER LMAS*



Not Seasonally Adjusted

	Mar 2022	Mar 2021	CHANGE		Feb 2022
			NO.	%	
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT					
ENFIELD LMA.....	41,100	41,200	-100	-0.2	41,100
TORRINGTON-NORTHWEST LMA.....	31,000	30,300	700	2.3	31,100
DANIELSON-NORTHEAST LMA.....	26,000	25,600	400	1.6	26,000

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

	Mar 2022	Mar 2021	CHANGE		Feb 2022
			NO.	%	
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT.....	331,800	313,100	18,700	6.0	330,200
TOTAL PRIVATE.....	267,300	253,700	13,600	5.4	266,200
GOODS PRODUCING INDUSTRIES.....	40,600	39,400	1,200	3.0	40,500
CONSTRUCTION, NAT. RES. & MINING.....	11,500	10,600	900	8.5	11,400
MANUFACTURING.....	29,100	28,800	300	1.0	29,100
Durable Goods.....	19,400	19,500	-100	-0.5	19,500
Non-Durable Goods.....	9,700	9,300	400	4.3	9,600
SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES.....	291,200	273,700	17,500	6.4	289,700
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, UTILITIES.....	58,900	57,400	1,500	2.6	58,800
Wholesale Trade.....	11,700	11,500	200	1.7	11,600
Retail Trade.....	32,700	31,700	1,000	3.2	32,600
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities....	14,500	14,200	300	2.1	14,600
INFORMATION.....	2,800	2,600	200	7.7	2,800
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES.....	14,500	15,500	-1,000	-6.5	14,500
Finance and Insurance.....	11,500	12,600	-1,100	-8.7	11,600
Insurance Carriers & Related Activities....	8,100	9,100	-1,000	-11.0	8,100
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	24,900	24,300	600	2.5	24,500
EDUCATION AND HEALTH SERVICES.....	84,100	80,300	3,800	4.7	84,300
Educational Services.....	16,400	14,400	2,000	13.9	16,500
Health Care and Social Assistance.....	67,700	65,900	1,800	2.7	67,800
LEISURE AND HOSPITALITY.....	29,800	23,200	6,600	28.4	29,100
OTHER SERVICES.....	11,700	11,000	700	6.4	11,700
GOVERNMENT.....	64,500	59,400	5,100	8.6	64,000
Federal.....	6,200	6,100	100	1.6	6,200
State & Local.....	58,300	53,300	5,000	9.4	57,800

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** New England City and Town Area

	EMPLOYMENT STATUS	Mar	Mar	CHANGE		Feb
		2022	2021	NO.	%	2022
<i>(Not seasonally adjusted)</i>						
CONNECTICUT	Civilian Labor Force	1,898,700	1,839,400	59,300	3.2	1,875,400
	Employed	1,817,600	1,703,600	114,000	6.7	1,780,800
	Unemployed	81,100	135,900	-54,800	-40.3	94,500
	Unemployment Rate	4.3	7.4	-3.1	---	5.0
BRIDGEPORT-STAMFORD LMA	Civilian Labor Force	461,700	445,400	16,300	3.7	456,100
	Employed	441,700	412,100	29,600	7.2	432,700
	Unemployed	20,000	33,300	-13,300	-39.9	23,400
	Unemployment Rate	4.3	7.5	-3.2	---	5.1
DANBURY LMA	Civilian Labor Force	105,100	101,700	3,400	3.3	103,700
	Employed	101,100	95,000	6,100	6.4	99,000
	Unemployed	4,000	6,600	-2,600	-39.4	4,700
	Unemployment Rate	3.8	6.5	-2.7	---	4.5
DANIELSON-NORTHEAST LMA	Civilian Labor Force	43,400	41,500	1,900	4.6	43,000
	Employed	41,500	38,600	2,900	7.5	40,800
	Unemployed	1,900	2,900	-1,000	-34.5	2,200
	Unemployment Rate	4.3	7.1	-2.8	---	5.0
ENFIELD LMA	Civilian Labor Force	50,800	48,000	2,800	5.8	50,200
	Employed	48,800	44,700	4,100	9.2	47,900
	Unemployed	2,000	3,200	-1,200	-37.5	2,300
	Unemployment Rate	4.0	6.7	-2.7	---	4.6
HARTFORD LMA	Civilian Labor Force	625,100	609,300	15,800	2.6	616,600
	Employed	598,800	564,700	34,100	6.0	585,900
	Unemployed	26,300	44,600	-18,300	-41.0	30,700
	Unemployment Rate	4.2	7.3	-3.1	---	5.0
NEW HAVEN LMA	Civilian Labor Force	335,200	322,700	12,500	3.9	331,000
	Employed	322,100	300,500	21,600	7.2	315,700
	Unemployed	13,100	22,200	-9,100	-41.0	15,300
	Unemployment Rate	3.9	6.9	-3.0	---	4.6
NORWICH-NEW LONDON LMA	Civilian Labor Force	135,800	133,300	2,500	1.9	134,500
	Employed	129,400	122,400	7,000	5.7	127,000
	Unemployed	6,300	11,000	-4,700	-42.7	7,500
	Unemployment Rate	4.7	8.2	-3.5	---	5.6
TORRINGTON-NORTHWEST LMA	Civilian Labor Force	46,200	45,300	900	2.0	45,800
	Employed	44,200	42,000	2,200	5.2	43,500
	Unemployed	2,000	3,300	-1,300	-39.4	2,300
	Unemployment Rate	4.3	7.3	-3.0	---	5.0
WATERBURY LMA	Civilian Labor Force	111,100	108,000	3,100	2.9	110,100
	Employed	105,000	98,200	6,800	6.9	103,200
	Unemployed	6,000	9,800	-3,800	-38.8	6,900
	Unemployment Rate	5.4	9.1	-3.7	---	6.3
UNITED STATES	Civilian Labor Force	164,274,000	160,397,000	3,877,000	2.4	163,725,000
	Employed	158,106,000	150,493,000	7,613,000	5.1	156,942,000
	Unemployed	6,168,000	9,905,000	-3,737,000	-37.7	6,782,000
	Unemployment Rate	3.8	6.2	-2.4	---	4.1

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	AVG WEEKLY EARNINGS				AVG WEEKLY HOURS				AVG HOURLY EARNINGS			
	Mar		CHG	Feb	Mar		CHG	Feb	Mar		CHG	Feb
	2022	2021	Y/Y	2022	2022	2021	Y/Y	2022	2022	2021	Y/Y	2022
<i>(Not seasonally adjusted)</i>												
PRODUCTION WORKER												
MANUFACTURING	\$1,109.97	\$1,098.50	\$11.46	\$1,109.92	40.1	39.6	0.5	40.2	\$27.68	\$27.74	-\$0.06	\$27.61
DURABLE GOODS	1,168.67	1,171.55	-2.88	1,180.54	39.9	39.7	0.2	40.1	29.29	29.51	-0.22	29.44
NON-DUR. GOODS	943.43	866.41	77.02	901.73	40.7	39.4	1.3	40.6	23.18	21.99	1.19	22.21
CONSTRUCTION	1,310.64	1,407.51	-96.87	1,343.16	38.1	40.1	-2.0	39.0	34.40	35.10	-0.70	34.44
ALL EMPLOYEES												
STATEWIDE												
TOTAL PRIVATE	1,151.92	1,145.70	6.22	1,160.08	33.9	34.2	-0.3	34.0	33.98	33.50	0.48	34.12
GOODS PRODUCING	1,446.37	1,393.47	52.90	1,458.98	39.4	39.0	0.4	39.7	36.71	35.73	0.98	36.75
Construction	1,414.50	1,422.72	-8.22	1,410.70	37.5	38.4	-0.9	37.8	37.72	37.05	0.67	37.32
Manufacturing	1,434.40	1,362.53	71.87	1,441.19	40.0	39.3	0.7	40.1	35.86	34.67	1.19	35.94
SERVICE PROVIDING	1,098.20	1,099.90	-1.70	1,107.15	32.9	33.3	-0.4	33.0	33.38	33.03	0.35	33.55
Trade, Transp., Utilities	926.58	949.52	-22.94	933.79	32.5	33.2	-0.7	32.1	28.51	28.60	-0.09	29.09
Financial Activities	1,927.66	1,948.14	-20.48	1,928.25	37.3	38.6	-1.3	37.5	51.68	50.47	1.21	51.42
Prof. & Business Serv.	1,382.70	1,296.27	86.43	1,402.61	35.3	35.7	-0.4	35.5	39.17	36.31	2.86	39.51
Education & Health Ser.	1,056.09	1,057.39	-1.30	1,064.60	33.2	33.6	-0.4	33.3	31.81	31.47	0.34	31.97
Leisure & Hospitality	541.24	477.50	63.74	546.27	25.7	25.0	0.7	26.2	21.06	19.10	1.96	20.85
Other Services	878.53	816.45	62.08	841.40	29.6	29.7	-0.1	29.7	29.68	27.49	2.19	28.33
LABOR MARKET AREAS: TOTAL PRIVATE												
Bridgeport-Stamford	1,278.32	1,276.02	2.30	1,284.89	33.8	34.0	-0.2	34.1	37.82	37.53	0.29	37.68
Danbury	1,232.24	1,026.72	205.52	1,248.56	35.8	34.5	1.3	35.3	34.42	29.76	4.66	35.37
Hartford	1,175.90	1,198.44	-22.54	1,188.87	33.8	35.3	-1.5	33.9	34.79	33.95	0.84	35.07
New Haven	1,125.06	1,132.70	-7.64	1,115.99	34.0	34.2	-0.2	33.9	33.09	33.12	-0.03	32.92
Norwich-New London	919.51	888.41	31.10	929.88	32.4	32.4	0.0	32.8	28.38	27.42	0.96	28.35
Waterbury	897.12	907.49	-10.37	882.50	31.5	30.7	0.8	30.9	28.48	29.56	-1.08	28.56

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BUSINESS AND EMPLOYMENT CHANGES ANNOUNCED IN THE NEWS MEDIA

New Companies and Expansions

- Aldi opens on Meriden's west side
- Bubbly's Bubble Tea to re-open in Norwalk after being closed for two years
- The first Wegmans in the state expected to come soon to Connecticut
- State DOT looks to hire 700 employees, with a focus on engineers
- Rentschler redevelopment: Builder predicts 2,000 jobs
- Mexican restaurant opens in Trumbull mall
- Lamont: Finance company, Mirador LLC., to bring hundreds of jobs to Stamford

Layoffs and Closures

- Rite Aid closing one of two Cheshire locations
- Stamford manufacturer Crane to split into two companies
- Taco Loco restaurant to close after 40 years, owners say

(By Place of Residence - Not Seasonally Adjusted)

MARCH 2022

LMA/TOWNS	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYED	UNEMPLOYED	%	LMA/TOWNS	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYED	UNEMPLOYED	%
BRIDGEPORT-STAMFORD					HARTFORD cont...				
	461,669	441,665	20,004	4.3	Canton	5,767	5,557	210	3.6
Ansonia	9,187	8,582	605	6.6	Chaplin	1,262	1,202	60	4.8
Bridgeport	68,213	63,732	4,481	6.6	Colchester	9,399	9,062	337	3.6
Darien	8,511	8,260	251	2.9	Columbia	3,264	3,128	136	4.2
Derby	6,537	6,200	337	5.2	Coventry	7,953	7,619	334	4.2
Easton	3,759	3,653	106	2.8	Cromwell	7,986	7,660	326	4.1
Fairfield	29,261	28,283	978	3.3	East Granby	3,086	2,988	98	3.2
Greenwich	28,684	27,787	897	3.1	East Haddam	4,996	4,843	153	3.1
Milford	30,379	29,288	1,091	3.6	East Hampton	7,752	7,471	281	3.6
Monroe	9,927	9,528	399	4.0	East Hartford	27,065	25,725	1,340	5.0
New Canaan	8,228	7,980	248	3.0	Ellington	9,867	9,479	388	3.9
Norwalk	50,598	48,447	2,151	4.3	Farmington	14,347	13,881	466	3.2
Oxford	7,293	7,009	284	3.9	Glastonbury	19,169	18,590	579	3.0
Redding	4,374	4,199	175	4.0	Granby	7,027	6,830	197	2.8
Ridgefield	11,635	11,289	346	3.0	Haddam	5,063	4,903	160	3.2
Seymour	8,894	8,433	461	5.2	Hartford	52,535	49,095	3,440	6.5
Shelton	21,905	20,926	979	4.5	Hartland	1,165	1,120	45	3.9
Southbury	8,663	8,284	379	4.4	Harwinton	3,225	3,107	118	3.7
Stamford	71,217	68,170	3,047	4.3	Hebron	5,586	5,403	183	3.3
Stratford	26,850	25,578	1,272	4.7	Lebanon	4,077	3,904	173	4.2
Trumbull	17,493	16,872	621	3.5	Manchester	33,045	31,661	1,384	4.2
Weston	4,285	4,144	141	3.3	Mansfield	12,411	12,059	352	2.8
Westport	12,793	12,420	373	2.9	Marlborough	3,609	3,476	133	3.7
Wilton	8,252	7,999	253	3.1	Middletown	26,156	25,081	1,075	4.1
Woodbridge	4,734	4,604	130	2.7	New Britain	36,905	34,671	2,234	6.1
					New Hartford	3,968	3,843	125	3.2
DANBURY	105,088	101,128	3,960	3.8	Newington	17,216	16,600	616	3.6
Bethel	10,879	10,488	391	3.6	Plainville	10,493	10,060	433	4.1
Bridgewater	827	796	31	3.7	Plymouth	6,623	6,305	318	4.8
Brookfield	9,127	8,809	318	3.5	Portland	5,489	5,267	222	4.0
Danbury	46,540	44,744	1,796	3.9	Rocky Hill	11,735	11,324	411	3.5
New Fairfield	7,000	6,723	277	4.0	Scotland	959	926	33	3.4
New Milford	14,891	14,291	600	4.0	Simsbury	14,072	13,678	394	2.8
Newtown	13,972	13,498	474	3.4	Southington	24,975	24,002	973	3.9
Sherman	1,852	1,779	73	3.9	South Windsor	14,501	14,013	488	3.4
					Stafford	6,975	6,629	346	5.0
ENFIELD	50,774	48,760	2,014	4.0	Thomaston	4,725	4,546	179	3.8
East Windsor	6,869	6,558	311	4.5	Tolland	8,624	8,332	292	3.4
Enfield	23,224	22,310	914	3.9	Union	478	457	21	4.4
Somers	5,089	4,903	186	3.7	Vernon	17,679	16,918	761	4.3
Suffield	7,855	7,555	300	3.8	West Hartford	34,750	33,734	1,016	2.9
Windsor Locks	7,737	7,434	303	3.9	Wethersfield	14,071	13,527	544	3.9
					Willington	3,653	3,543	110	3.0
HARTFORD	625,092	598,769	26,323	4.2	Windham	12,304	11,732	572	4.6
Andover	1,936	1,885	51	2.6	Windsor	16,658	15,976	682	4.1
Ashford	2,586	2,499	87	3.4					
Avon	9,462	9,197	265	2.8					
Barkhamsted	2,287	2,205	82	3.6					
Berlin	11,888	11,446	442	3.7					
Bloomfield	11,887	11,344	543	4.6					
Bolton	3,177	3,077	100	3.1					
Bristol	33,372	31,589	1,783	5.3					
Burlington	5,831	5,601	230	3.9					

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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)

MARCH 2022

LMA/TOWNS	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYED	UNEMPLOYED	%	LMA/TOWNS	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYED	UNEMPLOYED	%
NEW HAVEN	335,190	322,098	13,092	3.9	TORRINGTON-NORTHWEST	46,200	44,199	2,001	4.3
Bethany	3,261	3,152	109	3.3	Canaan	635	608	27	4.3
Branford	16,561	15,953	608	3.7	Colebrook	835	782	53	6.3
Cheshire	16,092	15,626	466	2.9	Cornwall	741	728	13	1.8
Chester	2,392	2,328	64	2.7	Goshen	1,603	1,549	54	3.4
Clinton	7,520	7,265	255	3.4	Kent	1,464	1,414	50	3.4
Deep River	2,948	2,844	104	3.5	Litchfield	4,677	4,511	166	3.5
Durham	4,389	4,281	108	2.5	Morris	1,396	1,339	57	4.1
East Haven	16,248	15,499	749	4.6	Norfolk	877	849	28	3.2
Essex	3,532	3,413	119	3.4	North Canaan	1,734	1,652	82	4.7
Guilford	13,324	12,956	368	2.8	Roxbury	1,290	1,263	27	2.1
Hamden	36,212	34,950	1,262	3.5	Salisbury	1,793	1,725	68	3.8
Killingworth	3,924	3,823	101	2.6	Sharon	1,457	1,418	39	2.7
Madison	9,340	9,066	274	2.9	Torrington	18,847	17,909	938	5.0
Meriden	32,985	31,321	1,664	5.0	Warren	769	747	22	2.9
Middlefield	2,595	2,507	88	3.4	Washington	2,030	1,956	74	3.6
New Haven	66,774	63,849	2,925	4.4	Winchester	6,052	5,749	303	5.0
North Branford	8,558	8,175	383	4.5	WATERBURY	111,051	105,019	6,032	5.4
North Haven	13,867	13,365	502	3.6	Beacon Falls	3,556	3,432	124	3.5
Old Saybrook	5,248	5,072	176	3.4	Bethlehem	1,989	1,858	131	6.6
Orange	7,562	7,335	227	3.0	Middlebury	4,033	3,879	154	3.8
Wallingford	27,151	26,038	1,113	4.1	Naugatuck	17,206	16,314	892	5.2
West Haven	30,954	29,653	1,301	4.2	Prospect	5,703	5,458	245	4.3
Westbrook	3,754	3,627	127	3.4	Waterbury	50,140	46,765	3,375	6.7
*NORWICH-NEW LONDON-WESTERLY, CT PART	120,282	114,444	5,838	4.9	Watertown	12,906	12,433	473	3.7
Bozrah	1,459	1,408	51	3.5	Wolcott	9,934	9,558	376	3.8
Canterbury	2,819	2,675	144	5.1	Woodbury	5,583	5,320	263	4.7
East Lyme	8,247	7,867	380	4.6	DANIELSON-NORTHEAST	43,368	41,506	1,862	4.3
Franklin	1,026	975	51	5.0	Brooklyn	4,148	3,976	172	4.1
Griswold	6,076	5,751	325	5.3	Eastford	1,009	973	36	3.6
Groton	17,381	16,654	727	4.2	Hampton	1,048	1,013	35	3.3
Ledyard	7,572	7,266	306	4.0	Killingly	9,676	9,224	452	4.7
Lisbon	2,264	2,143	121	5.3	Plainfield	8,575	8,237	338	3.9
Lyme	1,149	1,107	42	3.7	Pomfret	2,507	2,439	68	2.7
Montville	8,692	8,281	411	4.7	Putnam	4,832	4,610	222	4.6
New London	11,578	10,828	750	6.5	Sterling	2,044	1,928	116	5.7
No. Stonington	2,823	2,685	138	4.9	Thompson	5,316	5,084	232	4.4
Norwich	19,105	18,120	985	5.2	Woodstock	4,212	4,021	191	4.5
Old Lyme	3,568	3,406	162	4.5					
Preston	2,333	2,211	122	5.2					
Salem	2,046	1,943	103	5.0					
Sprague	1,545	1,445	100	6.5					
Stonington	9,458	9,065	393	4.2					
Voluntown	1,409	1,334	75	5.3					
Waterford	9,733	9,280	453	4.7					

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

NORWICH-NEW LONDON-WESTERLY, CT-RI				
	135,767	129,423	6,344	4.7
RI part (Hopkinton and Westerly)	15,485	14,979	506	3.3

Not Seasonally Adjusted:				
CONNECTICUT	1,898,700	1,817,600	81,100	4.3
UNITED STATES	164,274,000	158,106,000	6,168,000	3.8
Seasonally Adjusted:				
CONNECTICUT	1,879,400	1,793,300	86,200	4.6
UNITED STATES	164,409,000	158,458,000	5,952,000	3.6

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	MAR 2022	YR TO DATE 2022	YR TO DATE 2021	TOWN	MAR 2022	YR TO DATE 2022	YR TO DATE 2021	TOWN	MAR 2022	YR TO DATE 2022	YR TO DATE 2021
Andover	0	0	2	Griswold	7	18	1	Preston	0	2	5
Ansonia	0	0	na	Groton	2	6	na	Prospect	1	1	0
Ashford	0	0	na	Guilford	3	7	na	Putnam	2	6	na
Avon	1	3	3	Haddam	3	3	5	Redding	0	0	3
Barkhamsted	0	0	na	Hamden	0	0	na	Ridgefield	2	3	2
Beacon Falls	2	6	na	Hampton	0	0	na	Rocky Hill	0	0	1
Berlin	2	4	4	Hartford	1	3	2	Roxbury	1	2	na
Bethany	0	1	na	Hartland	0	0	0	Salem	1	2	na
Bethel	8	21	29	Harwinton	1	3	na	Salisbury	0	1	na
Bethlehem	0	0	na	Hebron	2	4	4	Scotland	0	0	na
Bloomfield	0	3	10	Kent	1	1	2	Seymour	3	8	na
Bolton	0	0	2	Killingly	3	5	na	Sharon	0	2	na
Bozrah	0	0	na	Killingworth	2	3	0	Shelton	4	24	9
Branford	3	8	12	Lebanon	1	1	2	Sherman	0	0	3
Bridgeport	9	17	11	Ledyard	3	8	na	Simsbury	20	24	13
Bridgewater	0	0	0	Lisbon	0	2	na	Somers	1	4	5
Bristol	1	3	15	Litchfield	2	6	na	South Windsor	1	3	6
Brookfield	3	3	7	Lyme	1	3	0	Southbury	4	6	na
Brooklyn	1	2	1	Madison	1	3	na	Southington	1	8	28
Burlington	2	5	8	Manchester	2	4	5	Sprague	1	1	0
Canaan	1	1	na	Mansfield	0	2	2	Stafford	1	2	4
Canterbury	4	4	na	Marlborough	0	0	0	Stamford	1	8	34
Canton	0	0	2	Meriden	1	1	na	Sterling	1	2	na
Chaplin	0	0	na	Middlebury	5	40	na	Stonington	6	9	na
Cheshire	3	9	10	Middlefield	1	2	1	Stratford	0	2	17
Chester	0	0	1	Middletown	2	6	5	Suffield	4	5	11
Clinton	2	4	4	Milford	21	46	49	Thomaston	0	0	na
Colchester	2	4	2	Monroe	0	2	5	Thompson	4	6	na
Colebrook	0	1	na	Montville	0	3	na	Tolland	4	5	5
Columbia	0	1	0	Morris	0	0	na	Torrington	1	1	na
Cornwall	0	0	na	Naugatuck	2	4	na	Trumbull	13	23	2
Coventry	0	2	4	New Britain	1	5	2	Union	0	0	3
Cromwell	1	2	3	New Canaan	3	44	8	Vernon	19	43	15
Danbury	19	28	14	New Fairfield	1	2	1	Voluntown	0	0	1
Darien	4	6	144	New Hartford	1	3	na	Wallingford	2	6	7
Deep River	1	3	0	New Haven	0	198	2	Warren	0	1	na
Derby	1	2	na	New London	3	9	12	Washington	2	6	na
Durham	0	1	0	New Milford	3	7	na	Waterbury	1	5	4
East Granby	0	0	5	Newington	1	1	0	Waterford	2	4	na
East Haddam	2	5	2	Newtown	4	9	21	Watertown	1	2	na
East Hampton	1	3	5	Norfolk	0	0	na	West Hartford	11	25	28
East Hartford	1	2	2	North Branford	0	2	na	West Haven	3	5	na
East Haven	1	3	na	North Canaan	0	0	na	Westbrook	1	2	3
East Lyme	1	20	11	North Haven	3	5	na	Weston	1	1	3
East Windsor	1	2	1	North Stonington	1	3	na	Westport	4	16	17
Eastford	0	1	na	Norwalk	3	25	35	Wethersfield	1	3	0
Easton	1	2	2	Norwich	0	1	0	Willington	0	0	4
Ellington	15	35	35	Old Lyme	1	3	na	Wilton	1	2	1
Enfield	1	2	17	Old Saybrook	1	3	3	Winchester	1	1	na
Essex	1	1	0	Orange	0	0	na	Windham	0	1	1
Fairfield	7	43	46	Oxford	4	27	7	Windsor	0	2	8
Farmington	2	5	6	Plainfield	2	4	na	Windsor Locks	2	3	0
Franklin	0	1	na	Plainville	1	3	3	Wolcott	3	12	6
Glastonbury	2	3	12	Plymouth	0	1	na	Woodbridge	0	1	na
Goshen	0	1	na	Pomfret	0	0	na	Woodbury	0	3	3
Granby	1	9	4	Portland	0	1	1	Woodstock	1	3	na
Greenwich	11	21	44								

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.....	2.1	CT Mfg. Production Index	1.8	Tourism and Travel	
Coincident General Drift Indicator.....	0.7	Production Worker Hours.....	4.6	Occupancy Rate.....	17.8
Connecticut Real GDP.....	4.3	Industrial Electricity Sales.....	-2.3	Tourism Website Visitors.....	61.9
United States Real GDP.....	4.9	Personal Income	6.1	Air Passenger Count.....	NA
New England Real GDP.....	4.2	UI Covered Wages	7.8	Gaming Slots.....	4.3
Connecticut PCPI.....	5.8	Business Activity		Employment Cost Index (U.S.)	
United States PCPI.....	7.0	New Housing Permits.....	-37.8	Total.....	4.8
New England PCPI.....	6.2	Electricity Sales.....	-2.7	Wages & Salaries.....	5.0
Phil. Fed's CT Coincident Index....	6.9	Construction Contracts Index.....	-32.5	Benefit Costs.....	4.1
Phil. Fed's US Coincident Index...	6.0	New Auto Registrations.....	-27.0	Consumer Prices	
		Exports.....	9.7	U.S. City Average.....	8.5
Total Nonfarm Employment	3.0	S&P 500: Monthly Close.....	14.0	Northeast Region.....	7.3
Labor Force.....	1.7	Business Starts		NY-Newark-Jersey City.....	6.1
Employed.....	4.3	Secretary of the State.....	NA	Boston-Cambridge-Newton...	7.3
Unemployed.....	-33.2	Dept. of Labor.....	1.4	Interest Rates	
Unemployment Rate	-2.4 *	Business Terminations		Prime.....	0.12 *
Labor Force Participation Rate...	0.7 *	Secretary of the State.....	NA	Conventional Mortgage.....	1.09 *
Employment-Population Ratio...	2.2 *	Dept. of Labor.....	-16.0		
Average Weekly Initial Claims ..	-70.8	State Revenues	NA		
Avg Insured Unempl. Rate	-2.31 *	Corporate Tax.....	NA		
U-6 Rate	-6.0 *	Personal Income Tax.....	NA		
Prod. Worker Avg Wkly Hrs	1.3	Real Estate Conveyance Tax..	NA		
PW Avg Hourly Earnings	-0.2	Sales & Use Tax.....	NA		
PW Avg Weekly Earnings	1.0	Gaming Payments.....	-0.5		

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

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