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In September...

Nonfarm Employment

Connecticut 1,585,100
 Change over month +1.08%
 Change over year -6.11%

United States 141,720,000
 Change over month +0.47%
 Change over year -6.37%

Unemployment Rate

Connecticut 7.8%
 United States 7.9%

Consumer Price Index

United States 260.280
 Change over year +1.4%

State Economic Indexes Lower in 2019

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Connecticut's economic performance ranked 32nd in 2019 when compared to other states and the District of Columbia (DC). This is up from 37th in 2018 and the best ranking in nine years.

For the second time, South Carolina came in first in the nation with the highest index of 192.3 last year, while Alaska continued to place last (113.2). Our state's index of 144.2 was below the nationwide value of 153.4 (see table on page 2).

SEI: Methodology

Applying the same components and methodology of the Connecticut Town Economic Indexes (See October 2020 issue), the Connecticut Department of Labor's Office of Research also developed the State Economic Indexes for all 50 states and DC. With recently available annual average data from the Quarterly Census Employment and Wages (QCEW) program, along with the revised annual average unemployment rate from Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS), annual SEI is reestimated for the 2010-2019 period.

These indexes provide a measure of the overall economic strength of each state that can be compared and ranked. Four annual average state economic indicators were used as components: 1. the number of the total covered business establishments, 2. total covered employment, 3. real covered

wages, and 4. the unemployment rate.

Business establishments are the physical work units located in the state. Employment is the number of payroll employees in the establishments that are located in the state who are covered under the unemployment insurance law (nearly the universe count of all the payroll employees in each state). Average annual pay is the aggregate wages earned divided by the total average employment. Establishments, employment and wages are proxies for each state's business activities and its overall economic strength, while the unemployment rate measures the overall economic health of each state's working residents.

Each of the four components of the SEI is given a 25 percent weight. SEI's base year is 2010, which equals 100. The wage component is adjusted to 2010 dollars, and the unemployment rate change is inversed to reflect the right economic direction. By combining these four major economic indicators, the index gives a broad measure of business and resident economic conditions of each state that can then be compared and analyzed.

SEI: 2018 to 2019

Reflecting slower growth in the current economic recovery in the nation, business and labor conditions of seven of the 50 states and DC deteriorated from 2018 to 2019, compared to two with decreased SEI from 2017 to 2018. The fastest increase in the

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STATE ECONOMIC INDEXES (2010=100), 2015-2019*

State	2019 Rank	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Alabama	4	122.1	125.3	141.0	150.3	172.4
Alaska	51	111.1	107.8	106.9	109.6	113.2
Arizona	29	123.6	130.5	137.7	142.0	145.1
Arkansas	34	120.9	131.8	137.1	139.7	143.2
California	7	132.9	141.2	151.7	161.5	169.5
Colorado	6	139.8	151.4	165.7	158.6	171.5
Connecticut	32	119.5	124.4	128.7	136.7	144.2
Delaware	33	124.8	129.2	130.4	140.8	143.3
District of Columbia	44	115.7	121.3	123.0	126.8	130.0
Florida	2	133.6	142.7	152.9	166.2	181.6
Georgia	10	126.7	133.5	139.6	152.7	165.2
Hawaii	20	128.8	139.6	155.8	154.5	151.8
Idaho	8	135.8	142.6	156.5	166.8	168.8
Illinois	27	124.8	126.0	132.6	141.4	147.5
Indiana	11	134.4	140.3	154.9	158.5	164.4
Iowa	36	121.6	124.4	131.7	142.4	141.6
Kansas	39	121.6	124.6	129.5	135.1	137.7
Kentucky	28	130.7	133.3	135.5	143.8	145.2
Louisiana	50	110.1	110.8	118.0	121.0	123.2
Maine	18	125.6	134.5	142.1	146.4	152.6
Maryland	38	117.5	123.4	127.4	132.0	137.8
Massachusetts	14	126.3	137.8	142.5	149.4	162.1
Michigan	13	138.1	143.6	150.4	160.1	162.4
Minnesota	31	130.3	128.2	137.4	149.1	144.8
Mississippi	43	119.9	124.9	131.3	135.4	130.4
Missouri	16	129.9	134.9	149.9	160.4	160.6
Montana	35	125.8	128.0	132.9	138.7	141.8
Nebraska	45	123.4	123.1	126.4	127.1	127.1
Nevada	3	132.6	143.7	152.7	164.4	176.6
New Hampshire	30	124.2	132.5	137.3	140.8	145.0
New Jersey	24	118.9	126.1	131.1	138.6	148.6
New Mexico	46	110.0	109.9	113.9	123.3	126.2
New York	37	122.4	126.2	129.5	137.5	140.5
North Carolina	17	130.0	136.6	145.4	155.0	159.3
North Dakota	41	128.3	122.0	126.8	129.6	134.4
Ohio	26	132.9	132.4	133.5	140.3	147.5
Oklahoma	40	120.9	116.9	122.9	133.8	136.9
Oregon	9	132.1	141.9	153.7	156.2	165.8
Pennsylvania	42	120.4	119.9	124.8	133.3	132.7
Rhode Island	12	127.2	135.0	145.9	153.4	162.8
South Carolina	1	129.9	140.7	151.9	168.6	192.3
South Dakota	49	122.6	125.0	123.4	126.1	125.5
Tennessee	15	126.0	135.5	149.4	157.0	161.4
Texas	23	131.4	130.3	135.2	143.8	151.2
Utah	5	139.4	144.7	148.9	158.3	172.2
Vermont	25	122.0	128.0	134.0	143.4	147.5
Virginia	21	120.8	126.0	132.3	145.5	151.4
Washington	22	127.4	131.9	139.8	145.6	151.3
West Virginia	47	111.2	113.5	120.7	123.2	126.0
Wisconsin	19	130.0	136.8	149.5	157.7	152.6
Wyoming	48	116.9	107.8	116.1	120.4	125.9
UNITED STATES		127.3	132.1	139.0	147.8	153.4

* 2010 = 100 for all 50 states and District of Columbia 2011-2014 SEI are available upon request.

State Economic Indexes developed by Connecticut Department of Labor, Office of Research

Data Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

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index occurred in Alabama, South Carolina, and Florida. Connecticut ranked 12th among states, in terms of over-the-year growth rate (5.4%), moving up from 22nd place in 2018. Meanwhile, the U.S. index rose 3.8% from 2018 to 2019. Seven states, including Mississippi, Wisconsin and Minnesota, experienced a decline last year.

SEI: 2010 to 2019

Looking longer term, all 50 states and DC continued to show positive SEI growth. South Carolina, Florida and Nevada topped the list, when new business formations, jobs, real wages, and unemployment rates are all factored in. The Connecticut index increased 44.2% since 2010, when the economy began to recover, while the nation's index grew 53.4%. Among the nine Northeast states, Connecticut again ranked 8th, above New York and Pennsylvania (Chart 1). Rhode Island's economy improved the most since 2010. All in all, only 17 out of the 50 states and DC turned around faster than the national average from 2010 to 2019. The map on page 4 shows the different ranges of economic recovery rate of each state.

Components of SEI:

Establishments

In terms of the number of establishments, South Carolina, Michigan, and Hawaii experienced the fastest growth over the year. Kansas, Idaho, and Nebraska were among the five states with declines from 2018. Connecticut's establishment growth rate ranked 25th among the states.

Over the last nine years, Utah, South Carolina, and Oregon had the fastest business formations. On the other hand, the number of establishments fell in Illinois since 2010.

Employment

Last year's average nationwide employment grew 1.4%, slower than 1.6% in 2018. Idaho, Arizona, and Utah were the top job growth states, while Connecticut ranked 50th in 2019. Connecticut and West Virginia were the only two states to lose jobs over the year.

During the 2010-2019 period, all but West Virginia added jobs. Utah, Nevada, and Colorado experienced the fastest employment gains during the current recovery. Meanwhile, Connecticut's job growth placed 48th from 2010 to 2019.

Real Wages

All states posted inflation-adjusted wage gains in 2019. Washington, Colorado, and Utah had the fastest annual pay increase. Connecticut ranked

35th in terms of wage growth, while West Virginia's real income grew the slowest over the year.

Once again, the highest annual average pay was earned in DC at \$96,274 in 2019 (in 2010 dollars). Connecticut's wage was fifth highest (\$68,507), following Massachusetts (\$74,038), New York (\$73,999) and California (\$70,058). Only 12 states and DC posted wages higher than the nation's average of \$58,136 last year. The three states with the lowest average pay in 2019 were Mississippi, Idaho and Montana.

Since 2010, all 50 states and DC experienced income gains, with Washington, North Dakota, and California having the fastest increase. Connecticut's wage growth came in last place among the states in the last nine years.

Unemployment Rate

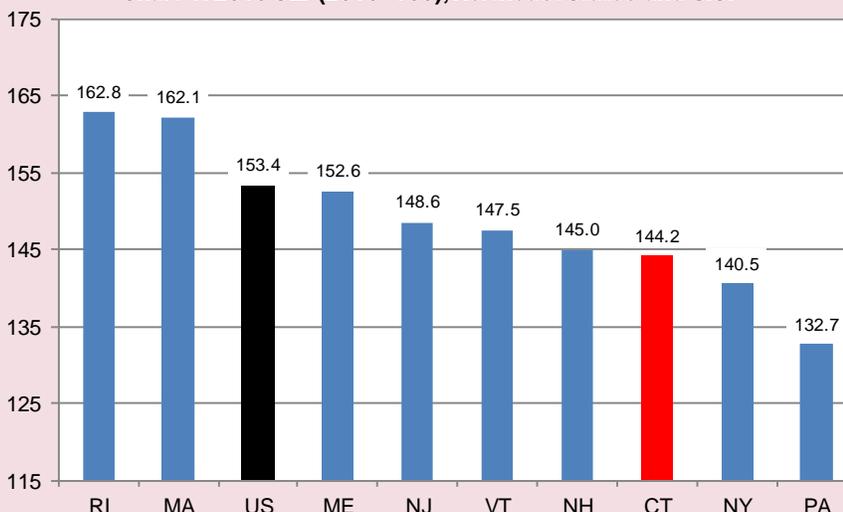
North Dakota (2.4%), Vermont (2.4%), and New Hampshire (2.5%) posted the lowest unemployment rates in 2019. Conversely, Alaska (6.1%), DC (5.5%), and Mississippi (5.4%) had the highest unemployment rates last year. Both Connecticut and U.S. had 3.7% jobless rate. The biggest percentage drops occurred in Alabama, South Carolina, and Massachusetts. Mississippi, Minnesota, and Wisconsin, however, experienced an increase over the year.

Between 2010 and 2019, South Carolina, Florida, and Alabama had the biggest percentage unemployment rate drop. Connecticut's jobless rate dropped from 9.1% to 3.7%, while it was from 9.6% to 3.7% nationally.

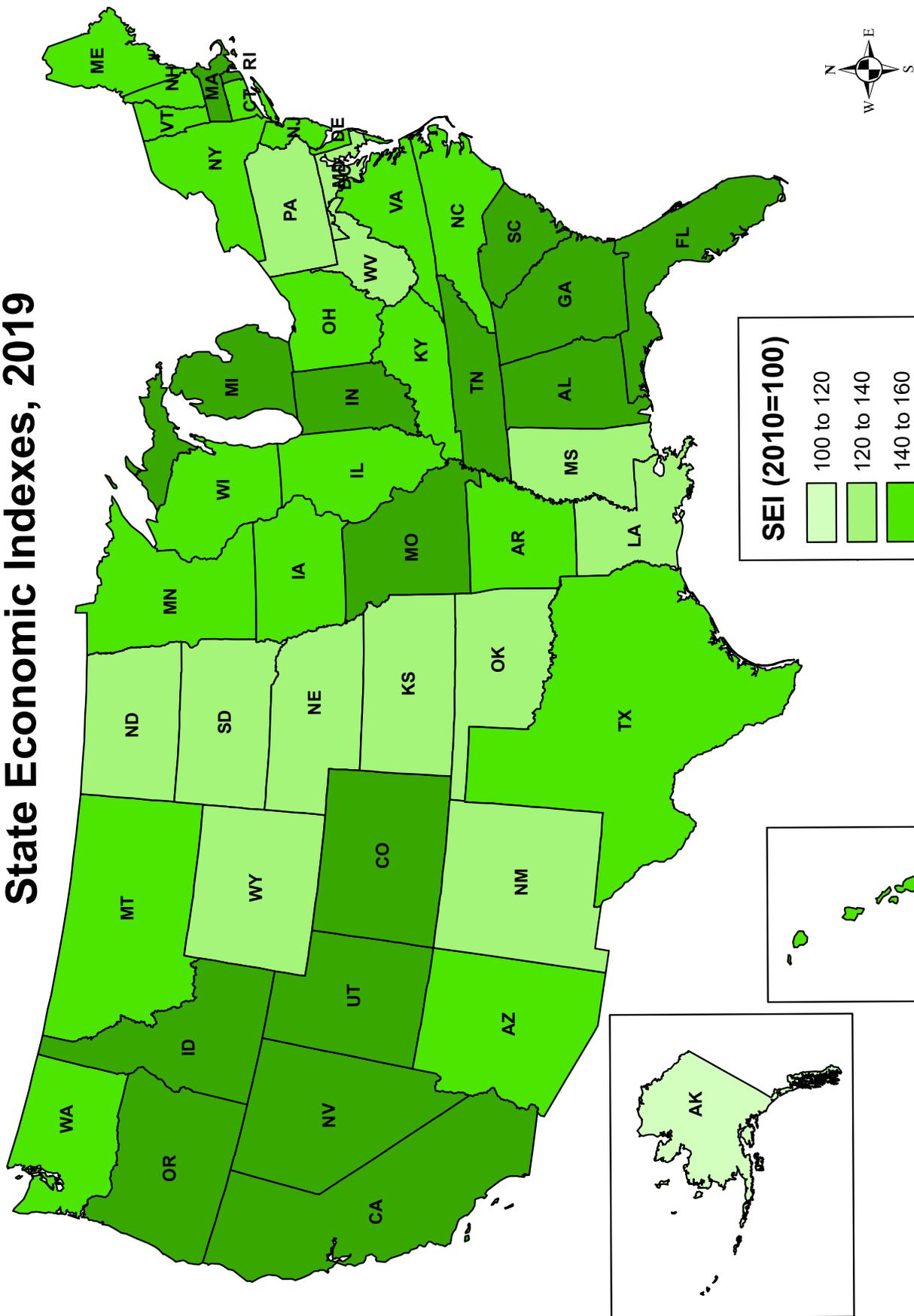
SEI Diffusion Index: 2010-2019

One way to measure aggregate performance of SEI of all 50 states and DC is to use a diffusion index. For each state, the index is up, down, or unchanged over the year. The SEI Diffusion Index is calculated by subtracting the share of states that experienced

Chart 1. 2019 SEI (2010=100), Northeast States and U.S.

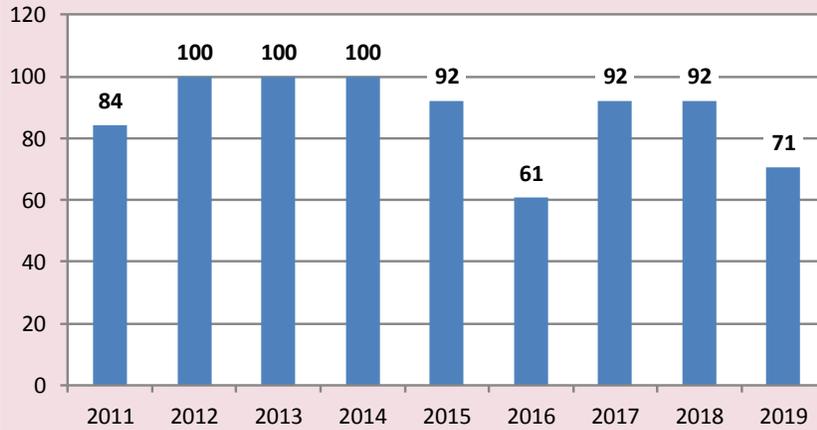


State Economic Indexes, 2019



Note: Alaska and Hawaii not shown to scale

Chart 2. SEI Diffusion Index, 2011-2019



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decreases in their indexes from the share that had increases over the year.

For example, index values in 46 states rose (90%), three (6%) fell, and two stayed the same in 2011. The diffusion index is then calculated by subtracting 6 from

90, equaling 84. Thus, if all 51 state indexes increase from a prior year, then the diffusion index becomes 100, and if all decline, then -100. If the SEI Diffusion Index is positive, then

that is interpreted as an economic recovery or expansion, while negative figures would mean an economic recession or contraction.

After experiencing strong growth rate in 2017 and 2018 (SEI of 92), the national economy had weakened in 2019 with an index of 71 (Chart 2).

Conclusion

The SEI for 2019 gives us a picture of economic performance of the states prior to the pandemic which is causing so much change in 2020. Next year, when we look at the 2020 index we will be able to see how those changes affected establishments, employment, earnings and unemployment in each of the states and the country. ■

GENERAL ECONOMIC INDICATORS

<i>(Seasonally adjusted)</i>	2Q	2Q	YoY CHG		1Q	QoQ CHG	
	2020	2019	NO.	%	2020	NO.	%
General Drift Indicator (1996=100)*							
Leading	120.2	141.5	-21.3	-15.0	132.6	-12.4	-9.3
Coincident	117.1	122.8	-5.7	-4.6	123.3	-6.2	-5
Real Gross Domestic Product**							
<i>(2012 Chained \$, SAAR)</i>							
	1Q	1Q	YoY CHG		4Q	QoQ CHG	
	2020	2019	NO.	%	2019	NO.	%
Connecticut (\$ in millions)	247,129.1	247,584.7	-455.6	-0.2	250,045.1	-2,916.0	-1.2
United States (\$ in millions)	18,977,363	18,927,281	50,082	0.3	19,221,970	-244,607	-1.3
New England (\$ in millions)	982,957.3	983,349.4	-392.1	0.0	996,132.2	-13,174.9	-1.3
Per Capita Personal Income**							
<i>(Current \$, SAAR)</i>							
	2Q	2Q	YoY CHG		1Q	QoQ CHG	
	2020	2019	NO.	%	2020	NO.	%
Connecticut	81,606	77,111	4,495	5.8	78,213	3,393	4.3
United States	61,842	56,307	5,535	9.8	57,519	4,323	7.5
New England	78,469	69,625	8,844	12.7	70,827	7,642	10.8
Philadelphia Fed's Coincident Index (2007=100)***							
	Sep	Sep	YoY CHG		Aug	MoM CHG	
	2020	2019	NO.	%	2020	NO.	%
Connecticut	116.38	128.69	-12.3	-9.6	114.88	1.5	1.3
United States	123.50	129.30	-5.8	-4.5	122.89	0.6	0.5

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 1996 = 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

	Sep	Sep	CHANGE		Aug
	2020	2019	NO.	%	2020
<i>(Seasonally adjusted; 000s)</i>					
TOTAL NONFARM	1,585.1	1,688.3	-103.2	-6.1	1,568.1
Natural Res & Mining	0.6	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.6
Construction	57.1	59.4	-2.3	-3.9	57.6
Manufacturing	155.9	162.2	-6.3	-3.9	154.4
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	278.0	292.2	-14.2	-4.9	276.0
Information	29.6	31.5	-1.9	-6.0	29.0
Financial Activities	119.4	123.8	-4.4	-3.6	120.1
Professional and Business Services	212.3	219.2	-6.9	-3.1	208.0
Education and Health Services	322.5	339.6	-17.1	-5.0	321.2
Leisure and Hospitality	127.9	157.1	-29.2	-18.6	121.0
Other Services	56.3	64.9	-8.6	-13.3	57.0
Government*	225.5	237.8	-12.3	-5.2	223.2

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

Average weekly initial
claims rose from a year
ago.

UNEMPLOYMENT

	Sep	Sep	CHANGE		Aug
	2020	2019	NO.	%	2020
<i>(Seasonally adjusted)</i>					
Labor Force, resident (000s)	1,894.8	1,923.1	-28.3	-1.5	1,866.4
Employed (000s)	1,747.7	1,851.0	-103.3	-5.6	1,715.6
Unemployed (000s)	147.1	72.1	75.0	104.0	150.8
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.8	3.7	4.1	---	8.1
Labor Force Participation Rate (%)	65.6	66.7	-1.1	---	64.7
Employment-Population Ratio (%)	60.5	64.2	-3.7	---	59.4
Average Weekly Initial Claims	7,491	3,279	4,213	128.5	9,378
Avg. Insured Unemp. Rate (%)	11.15	2.01	9.14	---	11.94
	3Q 2020	3Q 2019			2Q 2020
U-6 Rate (%)	12.8	8.2	4.6	---	10.5

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

The production worker
weekly earnings rose over
the year.

MANUFACTURING ACTIVITY

	Sep	Sep	CHANGE		Aug	Jul
	2020	2019	NO.	%	2020	2020
<i>(Not seasonally adjusted)</i>						
Production Worker Avg Wkly Hours	41.0	41.9	-0.9	-2.1	40.8	--
Prod. Worker Avg Hourly Earnings	29.47	27.79	1.68	6.0	28.89	--
Prod. Worker Avg Weekly Earnings	1,208.27	1,164.40	43.87	3.8	1,178.71	--
CT Mfg. Prod. Index, NSA (2009=100)	89.3	96.9	-7.5	-7.8	95.8	104.3
Production Worker Hours (000s)	3,932	3,730	202	5.4	3,856	--
Industrial Electricity Sales (mil kWh)*	209	249	-40.3	-16.2	236	271
CT Mfg. Prod. Index, SA (2009=100)	83.7	92.3	-8.7	-9.4	87.1	99.5

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

*Latest two months are forecasted.

Personal income for
second quarter 2020
increased 5.7 percent
from a year earlier.

INCOME

	2Q	2Q	CHANGE		1Q
	2020	2019	NO.	%	2020
<i>(\$ Millions, SA, annualized)</i>					
Personal Income	\$290,642	\$274,974	15,668	5.7	\$278,701
Wages and Salaries	\$113,285	\$120,016	-6,731	-5.6	\$121,406

Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis

BUSINESS ACTIVITY

New auto registrations increased over the year.

	MONTH	LEVEL	Y/Y %	YEAR TO DATE		%
			CHG	CURRENT	PRIOR	CHG
New Housing Permits*	Sep 2020	820	71.5	4,676	3,763	24.3
Electricity Sales (mil kWh)	Aug 2020	2,656	0.8	18,416	19,050	-3.3
Construction Contracts Index (1980=100)	Sep 2020	256.0	-36.9	---	---	---
New Auto Registrations	Sep 2020	16,201	3.0	121,977	159,310	-23.4
Exports (Bil. \$)	2Q 2020	3.07	-24.1	7.22	8.43	-14.3
S&P 500: Monthly Close	Sep 2020	3,363.00	13.0	---	---	---

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 Secretary of the State, was up over the year.

	MO/QTR	LEVEL	Y/Y %	YEAR TO DATE		%
			CHG	CURRENT	PRIOR	CHG
STARTS						
Secretary of the State	Sep 2020	3,796	29.7	29,069	27,977	3.9
Department of Labor	1Q 2020	3,015	-11.1	3,015	3,391	-11.1
TERMINATIONS						
Secretary of the State	Sep 2020	790	-16.8	8,847	13,417	-34.1
Department of Labor	1Q 2020	1,969	2.6	1,969	1,920	2.6

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

STATE REVENUES

Gaming payments were down from a year ago.

	Sep	Sep	%	YEAR TO DATE		%
	2020	2019	CHG	CURRENT	PRIOR	CHG
<i>(Millions of dollars)</i>						
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**	6.9	20.6	-66.4	123.2	187.6	-34.3

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	Y/Y %	YEAR TO DATE		%
			CHG	CURRENT	PRIOR	CHG
Occupancy Rate (%)*	Sep 2020	43.9	-35.2	40.7	63.5	-35.9
Tourism Website Visitors	Sep 2020	536,154	-36.4	3,474,209	5,405,475	-35.7
Air Passenger Count	Aug 2020	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Gaming Slots (Mil.\$)***	Sep 2020	778.8	-20.9	5,780.1	9,139.0	-36.8

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 2.4 percent over the year.

EMPLOYMENT COST INDEX

Private Industry Workers (Dec. 2005 = 100)	Seasonally Adjusted			Not Seasonally Adjusted		
	Sep	Jun	3-Mo	Sep	Sep	12-Mo
	2020	2020	% Chg	2020	2019	% Chg
UNITED STATES TOTAL	140.6	139.9	0.5	140.7	137.4	2.4
Wages and Salaries	141.5	140.8	0.5	141.7	138.0	2.7
Benefit Costs	138.5	137.8	0.5	138.5	135.8	2.0
NORTHEAST TOTAL	---	---	---	143.1	140.0	2.2
Wages and Salaries	---	---	---	143.1	139.8	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	Sep 2020	260.280	1.4	0.1
Purchasing Power of \$ (1982-84=\$1.00)	Sep 2020	0.384	-1.4	-0.1
Northeast Region	Sep 2020	273.925	1.2	0.1
New York-Newark-Jersey City	Sep 2020	284.551	1.9	0.4
Boston-Cambridge-Newton**	Sep 2020	283.391	0.6	0.1
CPI-W (1982-84=100)				
U.S. City Average	Sep 2020	254.004	1.5	0.2

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 fell to 2.89 percent over the month.

INTEREST RATES

(Percent)	Sep 2020	Aug 2020	Sep 2019
Prime	3.25	3.25	5.15
Federal Funds	0.09	0.10	2.04
3 Month Treasury Bill	0.11	0.10	1.93
6 Month Treasury Bill	0.12	0.12	1.89
1 Year Treasury Note	0.13	0.13	1.80
3 Year Treasury Note	0.16	0.16	1.59
5 Year Treasury Note	0.27	0.27	1.57
7 Year Treasury Note	0.46	0.46	1.64
10 Year Treasury Note	0.68	0.65	1.70
20 Year Treasury Note	1.21	1.14	1.97
Conventional Mortgage	2.89	2.94	3.61

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>	Sep	Sep	CHANGE		Aug
	2020	2019	NO.	%	2020
Connecticut	1,585.1	1,688.3	-103.2	-6.1	1,568.1
Maine	586.7	637.7	-51.0	-8.0	582.0
Massachusetts	3,342.0	3,693.8	-351.8	-9.5	3,305.1
New Hampshire	632.8	685.6	-52.8	-7.7	630.5
New Jersey	3,878.2	4,199.0	-320.8	-7.6	3,818.0
New York	8,710.3	9,813.1	-1,102.8	-11.2	8,601.0
Pennsylvania	5,597.8	6,068.6	-470.8	-7.8	5,578.4
Rhode Island	468.0	502.8	-34.8	-6.9	465.9
Vermont	285.0	315.4	-30.4	-9.6	282.2
United States	141,720.0	151,368.0	-9,648.0	-6.4	141,059.0

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

LABOR FORCE

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

<i>(Seasonally adjusted)</i>	Sep	Sep	CHANGE		Aug
	2020	2019	NO.	%	2020
Connecticut	1,894,773	1,923,109	-28,336	-1.5	1,866,403
Maine	681,209	693,045	-11,836	-1.7	677,695
Massachusetts	3,789,576	3,829,750	-40,174	-1.0	3,548,646
New Hampshire	741,739	776,382	-34,643	-4.5	738,253
New Jersey	4,349,416	4,523,734	-174,318	-3.9	4,578,368
New York	9,134,041	9,516,997	-382,956	-4.0	9,496,930
Pennsylvania	6,365,388	6,525,482	-160,094	-2.5	6,312,511
Rhode Island	561,004	556,431	4,573	0.8	540,376
Vermont	321,693	340,947	-19,254	-5.6	324,286
United States	160,143,000	164,051,000	-3,908,000	-2.4	160,838,000

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

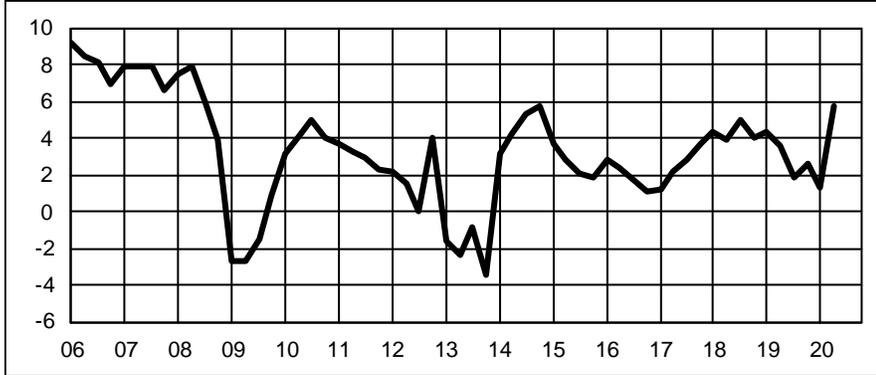
UNEMPLOYMENT RATES

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

<i>(Seasonally adjusted)</i>	Sep	Sep	CHANGE	Aug
	2020	2019		2020
Connecticut	7.8	3.7	4.1	8.1
Maine	6.1	2.9	3.2	7.0
Massachusetts	9.6	2.8	6.8	11.4
New Hampshire	6.0	2.6	3.4	6.6
New Jersey	6.7	3.6	3.1	11.1
New York	9.7	3.9	5.8	12.5
Pennsylvania	8.1	4.6	3.5	10.4
Rhode Island	10.5	3.5	7.0	12.9
Vermont	4.2	2.4	1.8	4.8
United States	7.9	3.5	4.4	8.4

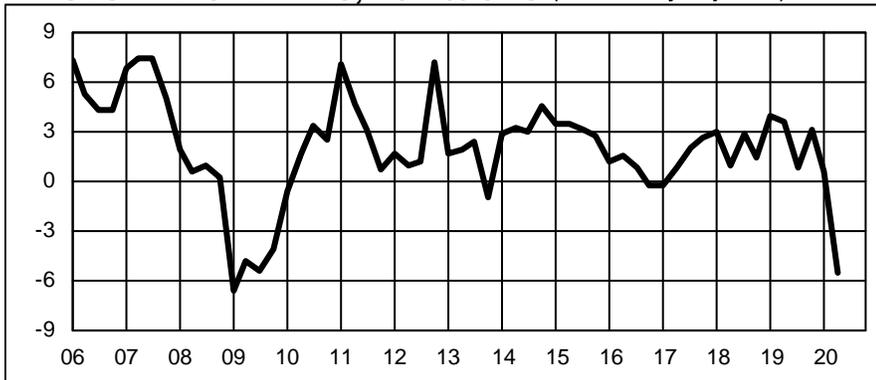
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PERSONAL INCOME, YOY % CHG *(Seasonally adjusted)*



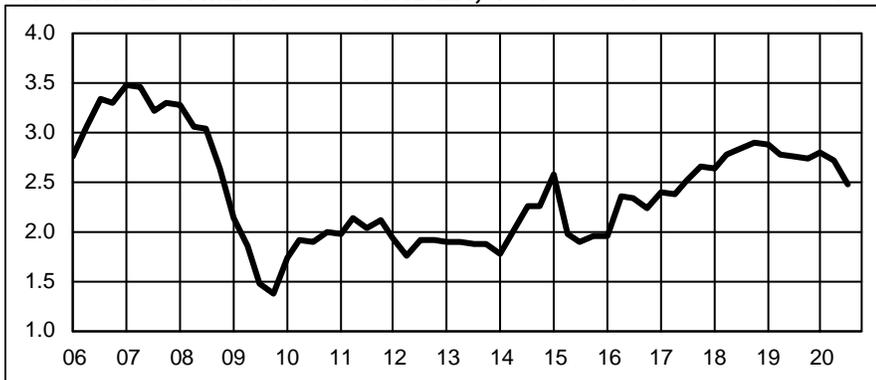
Quarter	2018	2019	2020
First	4.3	4.4	1.3
Second	3.9	3.5	5.7
Third	5.0	1.8	
Fourth	4.0	2.6	

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



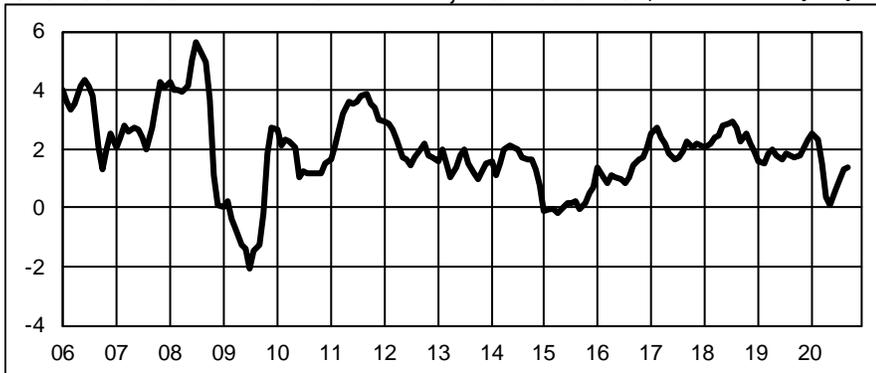
Quarter	2018	2019	2020
First	3.0	3.9	0.5
Second	0.8	3.6	-5.6
Third	2.9	0.8	
Fourth	1.3	3.1	

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



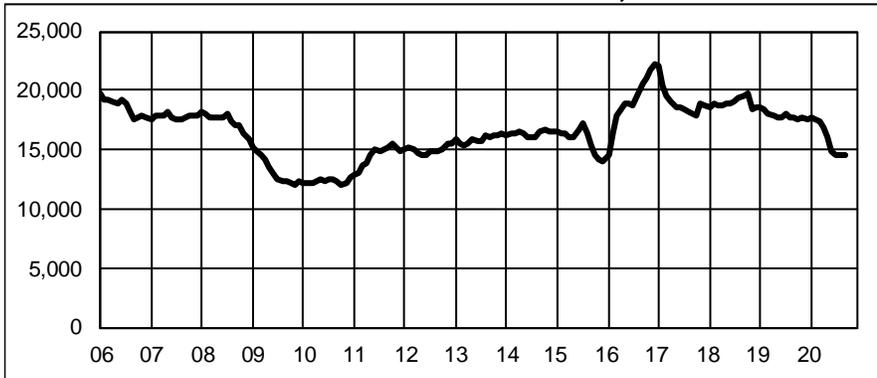
Quarter	2018	2019	2020
First	2.6	2.9	2.8
Second	2.8	2.8	2.7
Third	2.8	2.8	2.5
Fourth	2.9	2.7	

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



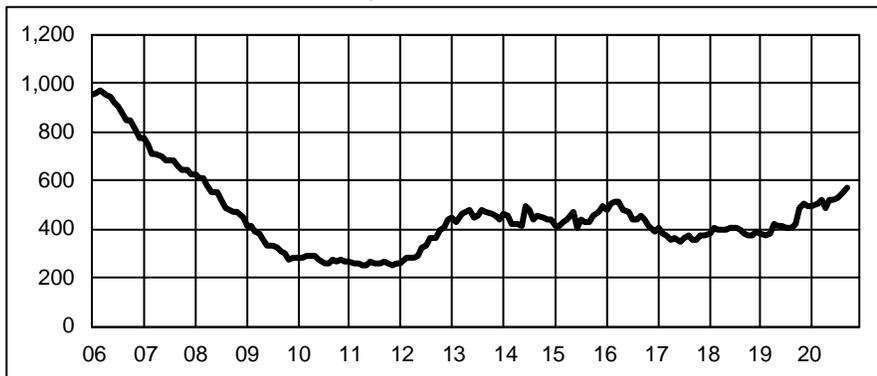
Month	2018	2019	2020
Jan	2.1	1.6	2.5
Feb	2.2	1.5	2.3
Mar	2.4	1.9	1.5
Apr	2.5	2.0	0.3
May	2.8	1.8	0.1
Jun	2.9	1.6	0.6
Jul	2.9	1.8	1.0
Aug	2.7	1.7	1.3
Sep	2.3	1.7	1.4
Oct	2.5	1.8	
Nov	2.2	2.1	
Dec	1.9	2.3	

NEW AUTO REGISTRATIONS PROCESSED, 12 MMA



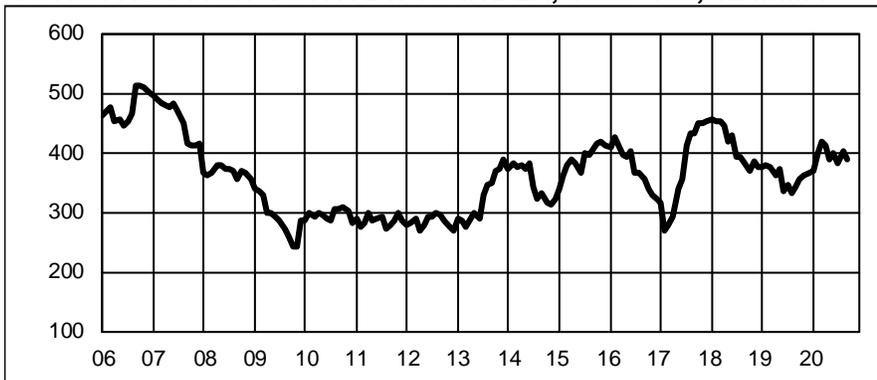
Month	2018	2019	2020
Jan	18,603	18,473	17,636
Feb	18,855	18,317	17,479
Mar	18,641	18,091	17,364
Apr	18,687	17,858	16,858
May	18,819	17,621	16,063
Jun	18,848	17,784	14,834
Jul	19,085	17,980	14,468
Aug	19,370	17,762	14,455
Sep	19,479	17,628	14,494
Oct	19,756	17,583	
Nov	18,422	17,678	
Dec	18,519	17,605	

NEW HOUSING PERMITS, 12 MMA



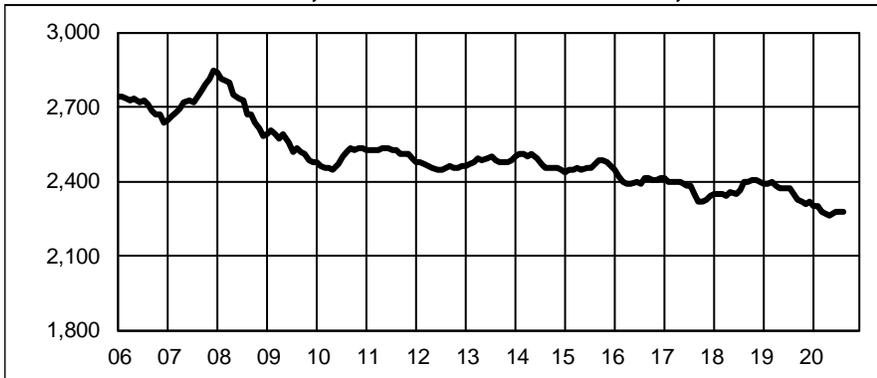
Month	2018	2019	2020
Jan	376	382	492
Feb	401	369	503
Mar	394	383	516
Apr	397	419	489
May	396	415	516
Jun	400	409	520
Jul	405	404	525
Aug	394	406	541
Sep	380	424	570
Oct	370	482	
Nov	369	499	
Dec	387	492	

CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS INDEX, 1980=100, 12 MMA



Month	2018	2019	2020
Jan	456.4	375.3	369.5
Feb	452.4	377.2	400.0
Mar	453.2	373.4	419.3
Apr	444.9	362.3	413.2
May	417.0	371.3	387.0
Jun	427.6	336.3	399.0
Jul	393.0	346.4	382.9
Aug	392.4	332.5	400.9
Sep	379.0	341.2	388.4
Oct	369.6	354.4	
Nov	385.5	360.2	
Dec	373.4	365.7	

ELECTRICITY SALES, millions of kilowatt hours, 12 MMA



Month	2018	2019	2020
Jan	2,352	2,386	2,304
Feb	2,347	2,389	2,298
Mar	2,346	2,393	2,280
Apr	2,337	2,384	2,268
May	2,352	2,370	2,259
Jun	2,345	2,368	2,275
Jul	2,366	2,373	2,274
Aug	2,393	2,345	2,275
Sep	2,399	2,325	
Oct	2,403	2,313	
Nov	2,405	2,306	
Dec	2,396	2,314	

CONNECTICUT



Not Seasonally Adjusted

	Sep 2020	Sep 2019	CHANGE		Aug 2020
			NO.	%	
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT	1,588,700	1,692,000	-103,300	-6.1	1,558,300
TOTAL PRIVATE	1,361,700	1,452,800	-91,100	-6.3	1,351,400
GOODS PRODUCING INDUSTRIES	216,100	224,300	-8,200	-3.7	216,700
CONSTRUCTION, NAT. RES. & MINING	60,200	62,700	-2,500	-4.0	61,500
MANUFACTURING	155,900	161,600	-5,700	-3.5	155,200
Durable Goods	122,300	126,800	-4,500	-3.5	121,800
Fabricated Metal.....	29,400	29,700	-300	-1.0	29,500
Machinery.....	13,100	13,100	0	0.0	13,100
Computer and Electronic Product.....	10,600	10,800	-200	-1.9	10,800
Transportation Equipment.....	46,800	47,000	-200	-0.4	45,600
Aerospace Product and Parts.....	33,100	32,100	1,000	3.1	32,600
Non-Durable Goods	33,600	34,800	-1,200	-3.4	33,400
Chemical.....	8,300	7,900	400	5.1	8,300
SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES	1,372,600	1,467,700	-95,100	-6.5	1,341,600
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, UTILITIES	276,000	290,300	-14,300	-4.9	271,800
Wholesale Trade.....	58,900	59,300	-400	-0.7	58,800
Retail Trade.....	159,500	171,400	-11,900	-6.9	158,200
Motor Vehicle and Parts Dealers.....	20,600	21,900	-1,300	-5.9	20,200
Building Material.....	15,300	14,700	600	4.1	15,500
Food and Beverage Stores.....	41,300	41,500	-200	-0.5	41,000
General Merchandise Stores.....	28,900	26,600	2,300	8.6	28,800
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities....	57,600	59,600	-2,000	-3.4	54,800
Utilities.....	5,100	5,100	0	0.0	5,100
Transportation and Warehousing.....	52,500	54,500	-2,000	-3.7	49,700
INFORMATION	29,600	31,400	-1,800	-5.7	29,100
Telecommunications.....	6,400	6,800	-400	-5.9	6,400
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	119,000	123,600	-4,600	-3.7	120,500
Finance and Insurance.....	100,400	103,100	-2,700	-2.6	101,500
Credit Intermediation and Related.....	21,400	22,500	-1,100	-4.9	21,600
Financial Investments and Related.....	21,200	21,900	-700	-3.2	21,800
Insurance Carriers & Related Activities....	57,800	58,700	-900	-1.5	58,100
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing.....	18,600	20,500	-1,900	-9.3	19,000
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	213,700	220,200	-6,500	-3.0	209,800
Professional, Scientific.....	93,100	94,600	-1,500	-1.6	93,100
Legal Services.....	11,200	12,400	-1,200	-9.7	11,300
Computer Systems Design.....	21,800	22,900	-1,100	-4.8	21,700
Management of Companies.....	32,900	33,000	-100	-0.3	32,300
Administrative and Support.....	87,700	92,600	-4,900	-5.3	84,400
Employment Services.....	25,200	28,900	-3,700	-12.8	22,700
EDUCATION AND HEALTH SERVICES	321,400	339,700	-18,300	-5.4	315,600
Educational Services.....	63,100	67,600	-4,500	-6.7	56,000
Health Care and Social Assistance.....	258,300	272,100	-13,800	-5.1	259,600
Hospitals.....	60,100	59,400	700	1.2	59,800
Nursing & Residential Care Facilities.....	56,600	60,600	-4,000	-6.6	57,000
Social Assistance.....	56,000	58,300	-2,300	-3.9	55,000
LEISURE AND HOSPITALITY	129,300	158,700	-29,400	-18.5	129,600
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation.....	23,300	28,600	-5,300	-18.5	25,300
Accommodation and Food Services.....	106,000	130,100	-24,100	-18.5	104,300
Food Serv., Restaurants, Drinking Places.	98,400	118,400	-20,000	-16.9	95,900
OTHER SERVICES	56,600	64,600	-8,000	-12.4	58,300
GOVERNMENT	227,000	239,200	-12,200	-5.1	206,900
Federal Government.....	21,500	18,300	3,200	17.5	21,800
State Government.....	68,400	73,200	-4,800	-6.6	64,900
Local Government**.....	137,100	147,700	-10,600	-7.2	120,200

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BRIDGEPORT - STAMFORD LMA



Not Seasonally Adjusted

	Sep 2020	Sep 2019	CHANGE		Aug 2020
			NO.	%	
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT	365,700	405,700	-40,000	-9.9	360,700
TOTAL PRIVATE	325,800	360,900	-35,100	-9.7	323,100
GOODS PRODUCING INDUSTRIES	40,800	42,100	-1,300	-3.1	40,800
CONSTRUCTION, NAT. RES. & MINING	11,900	13,500	-1,600	-11.9	12,300
MANUFACTURING	28,900	28,600	300	1.0	28,500
Durable Goods.....	22,000	22,100	-100	-0.5	21,900
SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES	324,900	363,600	-38,700	-10.6	319,900
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, UTILITIES	61,300	66,200	-4,900	-7.4	60,500
Wholesale Trade.....	12,200	12,500	-300	-2.4	12,200
Retail Trade.....	40,200	44,600	-4,400	-9.9	39,700
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities....	8,900	9,100	-200	-2.2	8,600
INFORMATION	11,500	12,900	-1,400	-10.9	11,400
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	35,200	37,300	-2,100	-5.6	35,500
Finance and Insurance.....	29,100	30,900	-1,800	-5.8	29,500
Credit Intermediation and Related.....	8,000	8,100	-100	-1.2	8,100
Financial Investments and Related.....	15,800	15,800	0	0.0	16,100
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	59,600	66,400	-6,800	-10.2	58,800
Professional, Scientific.....	26,500	29,400	-2,900	-9.9	26,400
Administrative and Support.....	21,300	26,000	-4,700	-18.1	20,800
EDUCATION AND HEALTH SERVICES	67,700	74,500	-6,800	-9.1	65,900
Health Care and Social Assistance.....	57,300	62,100	-4,800	-7.7	56,700
LEISURE AND HOSPITALITY	37,400	44,000	-6,600	-15.0	37,600
Accommodation and Food Services.....	26,800	33,300	-6,500	-19.5	26,100
OTHER SERVICES	12,300	17,500	-5,200	-29.7	12,600
GOVERNMENT	39,900	44,800	-4,900	-10.9	37,600
Federal.....	2,500	2,500	0	0.0	2,500
State & Local.....	37,400	42,300	-4,900	-11.6	35,100

DANBURY LMA



Not Seasonally Adjusted

	Sep 2020	Sep 2019	CHANGE		Aug 2020
			NO.	%	
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT	72,300	77,500	-5,200	-6.7	72,300
TOTAL PRIVATE	62,200	67,600	-5,400	-8.0	62,500
GOODS PRODUCING INDUSTRIES	11,100	12,100	-1,000	-8.3	11,200
SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES	61,200	65,400	-4,200	-6.4	61,100
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, UTILITIES	15,800	16,700	-900	-5.4	15,800
Retail Trade.....	11,500	11,900	-400	-3.4	11,500
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	9,900	10,200	-300	-2.9	9,700
LEISURE AND HOSPITALITY	7,100	7,700	-600	-7.8	7,100
GOVERNMENT	10,100	9,900	200	2.0	9,800
Federal.....	1,500	700	800	114.3	1,600
State & Local.....	8,600	9,200	-600	-6.5	8,200

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HARTFORD LMA*Not Seasonally Adjusted*

	Sep	Sep	CHANGE		Aug
	2020	2019	NO.	%	2020
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT	554,400	586,300	-31,900	-5.4	542,200
TOTAL PRIVATE	464,600	493,600	-29,000	-5.9	461,000
GOODS PRODUCING INDUSTRIES	79,100	81,400	-2,300	-2.8	77,700
CONSTRUCTION, NAT. RES. & MINING	19,800	20,900	-1,100	-5.3	19,900
MANUFACTURING	59,300	60,500	-1,200	-2.0	57,800
Durable Goods.....	49,400	50,200	-800	-1.6	47,900
Non-Durable Goods.....	9,900	10,300	-400	-3.9	9,900
SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES	475,300	504,900	-29,600	-5.9	464,500
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, UTILITIES	86,800	90,600	-3,800	-4.2	85,900
Wholesale Trade.....	17,000	17,600	-600	-3.4	17,000
Retail Trade.....	49,800	52,200	-2,400	-4.6	49,900
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities....	20,000	20,800	-800	-3.8	19,000
Transportation and Warehousing.....	19,300	20,000	-700	-3.5	18,300
INFORMATION	9,200	9,900	-700	-7.1	9,000
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	55,300	56,200	-900	-1.6	55,500
Depository Credit Institutions.....	5,300	5,500	-200	-3.6	5,300
Insurance Carriers & Related Activities....	37,900	38,700	-800	-2.1	37,800
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	70,200	74,500	-4,300	-5.8	70,500
Professional, Scientific.....	31,900	33,800	-1,900	-5.6	32,500
Management of Companies.....	12,400	12,300	100	0.8	12,300
Administrative and Support.....	25,900	28,400	-2,500	-8.8	25,700
EDUCATION AND HEALTH SERVICES	106,400	110,500	-4,100	-3.7	104,700
Educational Services.....	12,500	13,700	-1,200	-8.8	11,100
Health Care and Social Assistance.....	93,900	96,800	-2,900	-3.0	93,600
Ambulatory Health Care.....	32,100	32,900	-800	-2.4	32,100
LEISURE AND HOSPITALITY	36,600	48,000	-11,400	-23.8	36,100
Accommodation and Food Services.....	32,000	40,200	-8,200	-20.4	30,700
OTHER SERVICES	21,000	22,500	-1,500	-6.7	21,600
GOVERNMENT	89,800	92,700	-2,900	-3.1	81,200
Federal.....	6,300	5,400	900	16.7	6,300
State & Local.....	83,500	87,300	-3,800	-4.4	74,900

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT*Seasonally Adjusted*

Labor Market Areas	Sep	Sep	CHANGE		Aug
	2020	2019	NO.	%	2020
BRIDGEPORT-STAMFORD LMA	365,300	405,200	-39,900	-9.8	359,300
DANBURY LMA	72,500	77,400	-4,900	-6.3	73,000
HARTFORD LMA	552,800	584,500	-31,700	-5.4	549,200
NEW HAVEN LMA	277,000	291,500	-14,500	-5.0	274,900
NORWICH-NEW LONDON LMA	114,500	128,400	-13,900	-10.8	113,600
WATERBURY LMA	61,400	67,900	-6,500	-9.6	61,400
ENFIELD LMA**	42,600	44,400	-1,800	-4.1	42,600
TORRINGTON-NORTHWEST LMA**	30,600	33,100	-2,500	-7.6	30,400
DANIELSON-NORTHEAST LMA**	26,100	27,500	-1,400	-5.1	25,800

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NEW HAVEN LMA



Not Seasonally Adjusted

	Sep 2020	Sep 2019	CHANGE		Aug 2020
			NO.	%	
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT	278,700	292,400	-13,700	-4.7	271,300
TOTAL PRIVATE	241,900	256,500	-14,600	-5.7	239,100
GOODS PRODUCING INDUSTRIES	33,300	35,600	-2,300	-6.5	33,600
CONSTRUCTION, NAT. RES. & MINING	11,000	11,600	-600	-5.2	11,100
MANUFACTURING	22,300	24,000	-1,700	-7.1	22,500
Durable Goods.....	17,000	17,500	-500	-2.9	17,100
SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES	245,400	256,800	-11,400	-4.4	237,700
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, UTILITIES	50,000	53,300	-3,300	-6.2	49,600
Wholesale Trade.....	11,200	11,200	0	0.0	11,200
Retail Trade.....	26,500	28,200	-1,700	-6.0	26,600
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities....	12,300	13,900	-1,600	-11.5	11,800
INFORMATION	3,400	3,600	-200	-5.6	3,400
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	11,700	12,100	-400	-3.3	11,900
Finance and Insurance.....	8,200	8,300	-100	-1.2	8,300
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	31,200	30,700	500	1.6	31,100
Administrative and Support.....	15,900	16,200	-300	-1.9	15,600
EDUCATION AND HEALTH SERVICES	82,100	83,600	-1,500	-1.8	78,300
Educational Services.....	31,300	31,700	-400	-1.3	27,600
Health Care and Social Assistance.....	50,800	51,900	-1,100	-2.1	50,700
LEISURE AND HOSPITALITY	19,700	26,400	-6,700	-25.4	20,400
Accommodation and Food Services.....	15,100	21,900	-6,800	-31.1	15,600
OTHER SERVICES	10,500	11,200	-700	-6.3	10,800
GOVERNMENT	36,800	35,900	900	2.5	32,200
Federal.....	6,000	4,900	1,100	22.4	6,100
State & Local.....	30,800	31,000	-200	-0.6	26,100

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Connecticut HWOL: September 2020

Labor Market Area	Sept. 2020 Total Ads	Occupation With Most Ads	Ads	Industry Sector With Most Ads	Ads
Hartford-West Hartford-East Hartford	17,662	Software Developers, Applications	657	Health Care and Social Asst.	2,788
Bridgeport-Stamford-Norwalk	11,642	Retail Salespersons	423	Health Care and Social Asst.	1,899
New Haven	6,552	Retail Salespersons	339	Health Care and Social Asst.	1,198
Norwich-New London	2,829	Retail Salespersons	183	Health Care and Social Asst.	577
Danbury	1,604	Retail Salespersons	148	Retail Trade	379
Waterbury	1,692	Retail Salespersons	77	Health Care and Social Asst.	428
Enfield	1,278	Retail Salespersons	57	Manufacturing	199
Torrington	762	Retail Salespersons	54	Health Care and Social Asst.	181
Danielson-Northeast	611	Registered Nurses	41	Health Care and Social Asst.	171

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*

	Sep 2020	Sep 2019	CHANGE		Aug 2020
			NO.	%	
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT	115,600	129,300	-13,700	-10.6	114,700
TOTAL PRIVATE	90,700	99,100	-8,400	-8.5	91,200
GOODS PRODUCING INDUSTRIES	21,400	21,800	-400	-1.8	21,600
CONSTRUCTION, NAT. RES. & MINING	4,100	4,100	0	0.0	4,200
MANUFACTURING	17,300	17,700	-400	-2.3	17,400
Durable Goods.....	14,100	14,400	-300	-2.1	14,200
Non-Durable Goods.....	3,200	3,300	-100	-3.0	3,200
SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES	94,200	107,500	-13,300	-12.4	93,100
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, UTILITIES	21,200	21,700	-500	-2.3	20,800
Wholesale Trade.....	2,200	2,300	-100	-4.3	2,200
Retail Trade.....	14,700	15,100	-400	-2.6	14,400
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities....	4,300	4,300	0	0.0	4,200
INFORMATION	1,200	1,300	-100	-7.7	1,200
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	2,800	2,800	0	0.0	2,800
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	8,800	9,100	-300	-3.3	8,600
EDUCATION AND HEALTH SERVICES	18,200	21,100	-2,900	-13.7	18,000
Health Care and Social Assistance.....	16,900	18,300	-1,400	-7.7	16,900
LEISURE AND HOSPITALITY	13,800	17,800	-4,000	-22.5	14,900
Accommodation and Food Services.....	11,400	15,000	-3,600	-24.0	12,000
Food Serv., Restaurants, Drinking Places.	8,600	12,500	-3,900	-31.2	8,400
OTHER SERVICES	3,300	3,500	-200	-5.7	3,300
GOVERNMENT	24,900	30,200	-5,300	-17.5	23,500
Federal.....	3,000	2,900	100	3.4	3,000
State & Local**.....	21,900	27,300	-5,400	-19.8	20,500

WATERBURY LMA*Not Seasonally Adjusted*

	Sep 2020	Sep 2019	CHANGE		Aug 2020
			NO.	%	
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT	61,600	68,200	-6,600	-9.7	60,600
TOTAL PRIVATE	51,800	57,300	-5,500	-9.6	52,200
GOODS PRODUCING INDUSTRIES	9,700	10,500	-800	-7.6	9,800
CONSTRUCTION, NAT. RES. & MINING	2,900	3,100	-200	-6.5	3,000
MANUFACTURING	6,800	7,400	-600	-8.1	6,800
SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES	51,900	57,700	-5,800	-10.1	50,800
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, UTILITIES	12,000	12,700	-700	-5.5	11,800
Wholesale Trade.....	1,800	2,000	-200	-10.0	1,800
Retail Trade.....	8,500	8,600	-100	-1.2	8,400
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities....	1,700	2,100	-400	-19.0	1,600
INFORMATION	500	600	-100	-16.7	500
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	2,100	2,000	100	5.0	2,100
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	4,900	5,300	-400	-7.5	4,900
EDUCATION AND HEALTH SERVICES	16,100	17,600	-1,500	-8.5	15,900
Health Care and Social Assistance.....	14,200	15,700	-1,500	-9.6	14,300
LEISURE AND HOSPITALITY	4,200	5,900	-1,700	-28.8	4,700
OTHER SERVICES	2,300	2,700	-400	-14.8	2,500
GOVERNMENT	9,800	10,900	-1,100	-10.1	8,400
Federal.....	500	500	0	0.0	500
State & Local.....	9,300	10,400	-1,100	-10.6	7,900

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

NONFARM EMPLOYMENT ESTIMATES

LMA

SMALLER LMAS*



Not Seasonally Adjusted

	Sep 2020	Sep 2019	CHANGE		Aug 2020
			NO.	%	
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT					
ENFIELD LMA.....	42,600	44,500	-1,900	-4.3	42,600
TORRINGTON-NORTHWEST LMA.....	30,900	33,400	-2,500	-7.5	30,800
DANIELSON-NORTHEAST LMA.....	26,200	27,600	-1,400	-5.1	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

	Sep 2020	Sep 2019	CHANGE		Aug 2020
			NO.	%	
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT.....	297,200	339,700	-42,500	-12.5	290,100
TOTAL PRIVATE.....	245,200	277,400	-32,200	-11.6	241,300
GOODS PRODUCING INDUSTRIES.....	38,500	41,900	-3,400	-8.1	38,500
CONSTRUCTION, NAT. RES. & MINING.....	10,300	12,700	-2,400	-18.9	10,700
MANUFACTURING.....	28,200	29,200	-1,000	-3.4	27,800
Durable Goods.....	18,800	19,200	-400	-2.1	18,600
Non-Durable Goods.....	9,400	10,000	-600	-6.0	9,200
SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES.....	258,700	297,800	-39,100	-13.1	251,600
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, UTILITIES.....	53,700	59,800	-6,100	-10.2	52,500
Wholesale Trade.....	10,900	11,800	-900	-7.6	10,900
Retail Trade.....	31,500	32,900	-1,400	-4.3	31,200
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities.....	11,300	15,100	-3,800	-25.2	10,400
INFORMATION.....	3,000	3,000	0	0.0	3,000
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES.....	16,000	16,300	-300	-1.8	16,100
Finance and Insurance.....	12,600	12,600	0	0.0	12,600
Insurance Carriers & Related Activities.....	8,700	8,800	-100	-1.1	8,700
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES.....	24,200	27,600	-3,400	-12.3	24,500
EDUCATION AND HEALTH SERVICES.....	75,100	82,300	-7,200	-8.7	72,900
Educational Services.....	13,700	14,700	-1,000	-6.8	11,800
Health Care and Social Assistance.....	61,400	67,600	-6,200	-9.2	61,100
LEISURE AND HOSPITALITY.....	23,100	33,700	-10,600	-31.5	22,300
OTHER SERVICES.....	11,600	12,800	-1,200	-9.4	11,500
GOVERNMENT.....	52,000	62,300	-10,300	-16.5	48,800
Federal.....	6,200	5,900	300	5.1	6,300
State & Local.....	45,800	56,400	-10,600	-18.8	42,500

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

** New England City and Town Area

LMA LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES

<i>(Not seasonally adjusted)</i>		EMPLOYMENT	Sep	Sep	CHANGE		Aug
	STATUS		2020	2019	NO.	%	2020
CONNECTICUT	Civilian Labor Force		1,889,400	1,913,100	-23,700	-1.2	1,876,900
	Employed		1,747,200	1,846,500	-99,300	-5.4	1,723,600
	Unemployed		142,300	66,600	75,700	113.7	153,200
	Unemployment Rate		7.5	3.5	4.0	---	8.2
BRIDGEPORT-STAMFORD LMA	Civilian Labor Force		451,600	465,400	-13,800	-3.0	450,100
	Employed		415,900	449,100	-33,200	-7.4	411,900
	Unemployed		35,700	16,400	19,300	117.7	38,200
	Unemployment Rate		7.9	3.5	4.4	---	8.5
DANBURY LMA	Civilian Labor Force		104,500	106,600	-2,100	-2.0	105,200
	Employed		97,500	103,600	-6,100	-5.9	97,700
	Unemployed		7,000	3,000	4,000	133.3	7,400
	Unemployment Rate		6.7	2.8	3.9	---	7.1
DANIELSON-NORTHEAST LMA	Civilian Labor Force		43,100	43,700	-600	-1.4	43,200
	Employed		40,100	42,200	-2,100	-5.0	40,000
	Unemployed		2,900	1,500	1,400	93.3	3,200
	Unemployment Rate		6.8	3.5	3.3	---	7.4
ENFIELD LMA	Civilian Labor Force		47,600	50,700	-3,100	-6.1	47,100
	Employed		44,300	49,000	-4,700	-9.6	43,500
	Unemployed		3,300	1,600	1,700	106.3	3,600
	Unemployment Rate		7.0	3.3	3.7	---	7.7
HARTFORD LMA	Civilian Labor Force		630,500	630,100	400	0.1	624,200
	Employed		584,600	607,900	-23,300	-3.8	574,400
	Unemployed		45,900	22,200	23,700	106.8	49,800
	Unemployment Rate		7.3	3.5	3.8	---	8.0
NEW HAVEN LMA	Civilian Labor Force		331,800	331,100	700	0.2	327,200
	Employed		308,400	319,800	-11,400	-3.6	302,000
	Unemployed		23,500	11,200	12,300	109.8	25,100
	Unemployment Rate		7.1	3.4	3.7	---	7.7
NORWICH-NEW LONDON LMA	Civilian Labor Force		139,300	142,200	-2,900	-2.0	139,400
	Employed		126,500	137,400	-10,900	-7.9	125,300
	Unemployed		12,700	4,800	7,900	164.6	14,200
	Unemployment Rate		9.1	3.4	5.7	---	10.2
TORRINGTON-NORTHWEST LMA	Civilian Labor Force		46,600	47,500	-900	-1.9	46,500
	Employed		43,700	46,100	-2,400	-5.2	43,400
	Unemployed		2,900	1,400	1,500	107.1	3,200
	Unemployment Rate		6.3	3.0	3.3	---	6.8
WATERBURY LMA	Civilian Labor Force		109,900	111,500	-1,600	-1.4	109,200
	Employed		100,100	106,700	-6,600	-6.2	98,600
	Unemployed		9,800	4,800	5,000	104.2	10,500
	Unemployment Rate		8.9	4.3	4.6	---	9.7
UNITED STATES	Civilian Labor Force		160,073,000	163,943,000	-3,870,000	-2.4	160,966,000
	Employed		147,796,000	158,478,000	-10,682,000	-6.7	147,224,000
	Unemployed		12,277,000	5,465,000	6,812,000	124.6	13,742,000
	Unemployment Rate		7.7	3.3	4.4	---	8.5

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	AVG WEEKLY EARNINGS				AVG WEEKLY HOURS				AVG HOURLY EARNINGS			
	(Not seasonally adjusted)	Sep 2020	2019	CHG Y/Y	Aug 2020	Sep 2020	2019	CHG Y/Y	Aug 2020	Sep 2020	2019	CHG Y/Y
PRODUCTION WORKER												
MANUFACTURING	\$1,208.27	\$1,164.40	\$43.87	\$1,178.71	41.0	41.9	-0.9	40.8	\$29.47	\$27.79	\$1.68	\$28.89
DURABLE GOODS	1,277.82	1,279.06	-1.24	1,248.21	41.3	41.3	0.0	41.1	30.94	30.97	-0.03	30.37
NON-DUR. GOODS	977.15	816.75	160.40	953.61	39.9	43.7	-3.8	39.8	24.49	18.69	5.80	23.96
CONSTRUCTION	1,332.54	1,284.94	47.60	1,433.35	39.6	41.0	-1.4	41.2	33.65	31.34	2.31	34.79
ALL EMPLOYEES												
STATEWIDE												
TOTAL PRIVATE	1,146.10	1,144.93	1.17	1,160.03	34.1	34.3	-0.2	34.3	33.61	33.38	0.23	33.82
GOODS PRODUCING	1,398.07	1,450.84	-52.77	1,424.23	38.9	39.5	-0.6	39.3	35.94	36.73	-0.79	36.24
Construction	1,416.02	1,340.96	75.05	1,453.38	37.6	38.6	-1.0	38.5	37.66	34.74	2.92	37.75
Manufacturing	1,395.93	1,535.03	-139.10	1,414.50	39.5	40.3	-0.8	39.5	35.34	38.09	-2.75	35.81
SERVICE PROVIDING	1,098.92	1,090.84	8.08	1,111.55	33.2	33.4	-0.2	33.4	33.10	32.66	0.44	33.28
Trade, Transp., Utilities	998.98	965.71	33.26	1,012.88	34.4	34.1	0.3	34.3	29.04	28.32	0.72	29.53
Financial Activities	1,908.81	1,925.46	-16.65	1,962.64	38.1	38.0	0.1	39.3	50.10	50.67	-0.57	49.94
Prof. & Business Serv.	1,269.10	1,268.61	0.49	1,289.87	35.0	35.2	-0.2	35.8	36.26	36.04	0.22	36.03
Education & Health Ser.	1,033.27	973.80	59.46	1,019.03	33.8	33.1	0.7	33.4	30.57	29.42	1.15	30.51
Leisure & Hospitality	474.14	451.10	23.04	467.61	25.1	25.4	-0.3	25.4	18.89	17.76	1.13	18.41
Other Services	807.29	816.22	-8.93	759.80	31.4	32.3	-0.9	30.6	25.71	25.27	0.44	24.83
LABOR MARKET AREAS: TOTAL PRIVATE												
Bridgeport-Stamford	1,265.06	1,218.10	46.95	1,272.24	34.2	34.4	-0.2	34.6	36.99	35.41	1.58	36.77
Danbury	1,042.42	1,104.58	-62.16	1,063.64	34.2	35.2	-1.0	34.3	30.48	31.38	-0.90	31.01
Hartford	1,197.26	1,223.95	-26.69	1,209.25	35.1	35.0	0.1	35.0	34.11	34.97	-0.86	34.55
New Haven	1,095.98	1,054.90	41.09	1,100.46	34.4	33.8	0.6	34.4	31.86	31.21	0.65	31.99
Norwich-New London	918.70	790.10	128.61	890.83	32.1	30.4	1.7	32.3	28.62	25.99	2.63	27.58
Waterbury	962.98	951.69	11.30	937.90	32.9	35.3	-2.4	32.6	29.27	26.96	2.31	28.77

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BUSINESS AND EMPLOYMENT CHANGES ANNOUNCED IN THE NEWS MEDIA

New Companies and Expansions

- New Britain Hospital for Special Care unveils new \$13M autism unit
- The Place 2 Be restaurant opens downtown Hartford location
- CVS Health hiring thousands to help administer COVID, flu shots
- ConnectiCare opens fifth center in Shelton
- Farmington-launched biotech EvolveImmune Therapeutics opens lab in Branford
- Amazon delivery station opens in Danbury with more than 100 jobs expected to be filled
- Amazon delivery center to open at Boston Post Road site in Orange

Layoffs and Closures

- Hundreds of jobs cut at Pratt & Whitney, other Raytheon facilities in CT
- Retailer H&M with 12 CT Locations to close 200-plus stores
- Lord + Taylor to lay off 150 at CT stores
- Lenny & Joe's Fish Tale to close New Haven location
- 150 jobs to be lost when Hartford Courant has newspaper printed in Massachusetts
- Bankrupt Remington gun company lays off 585 workers
- Stamford Sheraton set to close this week, union says

(By Place of Residence - Not Seasonally Adjusted)

SEPTEMBER 2020

LMA/TOWNS	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYED	UNEMPLOYED	%	LMA/TOWNS	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYED	UNEMPLOYED	%
BRIDGEPORT-STAMFORD					HARTFORD cont...				
	451,595	415,856	35,739	7.9	Canton	5,713	5,426	287	5.0
Ansonia	9,112	8,152	960	10.5	Chaplin	1,262	1,182	80	6.3
Bridgeport	68,535	60,474	8,061	11.8	Colchester	9,398	8,905	493	5.2
Darien	8,215	7,784	431	5.2	Columbia	3,217	3,060	157	4.9
Derby	6,555	5,951	604	9.2	Coventry	7,793	7,426	367	4.7
Easton	3,685	3,457	228	6.2	Cromwell	8,030	7,522	508	6.3
Fairfield	28,259	26,470	1,789	6.3	East Granby	3,101	2,921	180	5.8
Greenwich	27,727	26,099	1,628	5.9	East Haddam	5,026	4,727	299	5.9
Milford	29,567	27,466	2,101	7.1	East Hampton	7,733	7,327	406	5.3
Monroe	9,610	9,021	589	6.1	East Hartford	28,082	25,206	2,876	10.2
New Canaan	7,974	7,537	437	5.5	Ellington	9,492	9,023	469	4.9
Norwalk	49,753	45,736	4,017	8.1	Farmington	14,243	13,508	735	5.2
Oxford	6,981	6,575	406	5.8	Glastonbury	19,131	18,116	1,015	5.3
Redding	4,227	3,978	249	5.9	Granby	6,838	6,538	300	4.4
Ridgefield	11,279	10,657	622	5.5	Haddam	5,061	4,811	250	4.9
Seymour	8,594	8,015	579	6.7	Hartford	55,719	48,165	7,554	13.6
Shelton	21,283	19,734	1,549	7.3	Hartland	1,138	1,092	46	4.0
Southbury	8,421	7,850	571	6.8	Harwinton	3,196	3,047	149	4.7
Stamford	69,035	63,280	5,755	8.3	Hebron	5,540	5,256	284	5.1
Stratford	26,583	24,183	2,400	9.0	Lebanon	4,079	3,848	231	5.7
Trumbull	17,162	16,021	1,141	6.6	Manchester	33,744	30,976	2,768	8.2
Weston	4,184	3,910	274	6.5	Mansfield	12,400	11,914	486	3.9
Westport	12,204	11,538	666	5.5	Marlborough	3,581	3,410	171	4.8
Wilton	8,041	7,592	449	5.6	Middletown	26,268	24,465	1,803	6.9
Woodbridge	4,612	4,377	235	5.1	New Britain	37,846	33,841	4,005	10.6
					New Hartford	3,971	3,774	197	5.0
DANBURY	104,492	97,540	6,952	6.7	Newington	17,497	16,278	1,219	7.0
Bethel	10,724	9,969	755	7.0	Plainville	10,594	9,862	732	6.9
Bridgewater	816	770	46	5.6	Plymouth	6,671	6,198	473	7.1
Brookfield	9,152	8,521	631	6.9	Portland	5,481	5,175	306	5.6
Danbury	46,465	43,226	3,239	7.0	Rocky Hill	11,705	11,073	632	5.4
New Fairfield	6,940	6,504	436	6.3	Scotland	960	912	48	5.0
New Milford	14,836	13,889	947	6.4	Simsbury	13,748	13,065	683	5.0
Newtown	13,738	12,950	788	5.7	Southington	24,748	23,333	1,415	5.7
Sherman	1,821	1,712	109	6.0	South Windsor	14,473	13,605	868	6.0
					Stafford	6,909	6,474	435	6.3
ENFIELD	47,575	44,261	3,314	7.0	Thomaston	4,718	4,466	252	5.3
East Windsor	6,228	5,768	460	7.4	Tolland	8,554	8,153	401	4.7
Enfield	22,129	20,521	1,608	7.3	Union	459	442	17	3.7
Somers	4,743	4,457	286	6.0	Vernon	17,668	16,400	1,268	7.2
Suffield	7,183	6,777	406	5.7	West Hartford	34,862	32,848	2,014	5.8
Windsor Locks	7,293	6,739	554	7.6	Wethersfield	14,208	13,256	952	6.7
					Willington	3,654	3,475	179	4.9
HARTFORD	630,520	584,601	45,919	7.3	Windham	12,512	11,524	988	7.9
Andover	1,950	1,835	115	5.9	Windsor	16,953	15,600	1,353	8.0
Ashford	2,572	2,440	132	5.1					
Avon	9,451	8,985	466	4.9					
Barkhamsted	2,308	2,172	136	5.9					
Berlin	11,789	11,155	634	5.4					
Bloomfield	12,069	11,097	972	8.1					
Bolton	3,155	3,014	141	4.5					
Bristol	33,565	30,878	2,687	8.0					
Burlington	5,689	5,401	288	5.1					

All Labor Market Areas (LMAs) in Connecticut except three are federally-designated areas for developing labor statistics. For the sake of simplicity, the federal Bridgeport-Stamford-Norwalk NECTA is referred to in Connecticut DOL publications as the Bridgeport-Stamford LMA, and the Hartford-West Hartford-East Hartford NECTA is the Hartford LMA. The northwest part of the state is now called Torrington-Northwest LMA. Five towns which are part of the Springfield, MA area are published as the Enfield LMA. The towns of Eastford and Hampton and other towns in the northeast are now called Danielson-Northeast LMA.

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)

SEPTEMBER 2020

LMA/TOWNS	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYED	UNEMPLOYED	%	LMA/TOWNS	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYED	UNEMPLOYED	%
NEW HAVEN	331,810	308,351	23,459	7.1	TORRINGTON-NORTHWEST	46,612	43,674	2,938	6.3
Bethany	3,148	2,979	169	5.4	Canaan	633	601	32	5.1
Branford	16,356	15,315	1,041	6.4	Colebrook	807	769	38	4.7
Cheshire	15,798	15,049	749	4.7	Cornwall	766	721	45	5.9
Chester	2,381	2,248	133	5.6	Goshen	1,601	1,535	66	4.1
Clinton	7,398	6,964	434	5.9	Kent	1,469	1,401	68	4.6
Deep River	2,881	2,739	142	4.9	Litchfield	4,693	4,470	223	4.8
Durham	4,313	4,115	198	4.6	Morris	1,379	1,324	55	4.0
East Haven	16,128	14,863	1,265	7.8	Norfolk	894	845	49	5.5
Essex	3,451	3,273	178	5.2	North Canaan	1,734	1,635	99	5.7
Guilford	13,044	12,414	630	4.8	Roxbury	1,305	1,248	57	4.4
Hamden	36,022	33,586	2,436	6.8	Salisbury	1,782	1,703	79	4.4
Killingworth	3,819	3,661	158	4.1	Sharon	1,455	1,401	54	3.7
Madison	9,180	8,708	472	5.1	Torrington	19,177	17,676	1,501	7.8
Meriden	32,948	30,061	2,887	8.8	Warren	778	740	38	4.9
Middlefield	2,530	2,407	123	4.9	Washington	2,026	1,932	94	4.6
New Haven	66,507	60,527	5,980	9.0	Winchester	6,113	5,672	441	7.2
North Branford	8,249	7,823	426	5.2	WATERBURY	109,898	100,103	9,795	8.9
North Haven	13,649	12,779	870	6.4	Beacon Falls	3,423	3,219	204	6.0
Old Saybrook	5,176	4,864	312	6.0	Bethlehem	1,866	1,775	91	4.9
Orange	7,465	7,007	458	6.1	Middlebury	3,842	3,621	221	5.8
Wallingford	26,569	25,015	1,554	5.8	Naugatuck	16,959	15,612	1,347	7.9
West Haven	31,075	28,458	2,617	8.4	Prospect	5,486	5,177	309	5.6
Westbrook	3,723	3,495	228	6.1	Waterbury	50,737	44,726	6,011	11.8
*NORWICH-NEW LONDON-WESTERLY, CT PART	123,856	112,648	11,208	9.0	Watertown	12,543	11,819	724	5.8
Bozrah	1,386	1,288	98	7.1	Wolcott	9,683	9,080	603	6.2
Canterbury	2,801	2,624	177	6.3	Woodbury	5,356	5,073	283	5.3
East Lyme	8,330	7,747	583	7.0	DANIELSON-NORTHEAST	43,064	40,124	2,940	6.8
Franklin	1,035	964	71	6.9	Brooklyn	4,106	3,831	275	6.7
Griswold	6,161	5,593	568	9.2	Eastford	1,010	956	54	5.3
Groton	17,915	16,479	1,436	8.0	Hampton	1,059	1,008	51	4.8
Ledyard	7,834	7,185	649	8.3	Killingly	9,552	8,877	675	7.1
Lisbon	2,267	2,102	165	7.3	Plainfield	8,657	7,982	675	7.8
Lyme	1,154	1,099	55	4.8	Pomfret	2,455	2,355	100	4.1
Montville	8,981	8,212	769	8.6	Putnam	4,832	4,453	379	7.8
New London	12,167	10,620	1,547	12.7	Sterling	2,006	1,866	140	7.0
No. Stonington	2,804	2,649	155	5.5	Thompson	5,233	4,910	323	6.2
Norwich	20,771	17,966	2,805	13.5	Woodstock	4,156	3,887	269	6.5
Old Lyme	3,589	3,372	217	6.0					
Preston	2,387	2,168	219	9.2					
Salem	2,067	1,919	148	7.2					
Sprague	1,554	1,433	121	7.8					
Stonington	9,422	8,812	610	6.5					
Voluntown	1,426	1,324	102	7.2					
Waterford	9,804	9,091	713	7.3					

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

NORWICH-NEW LONDON-WESTERLY, CT-RI

	139,257	126,525	12,732	9.1
RI part (Hopkinton and Westerly)	15,401	13,877	1,524	9.9

Not Seasonally Adjusted:

CONNECTICUT	1,889,400	1,747,200	142,300	7.5
UNITED STATES	160,073,000	147,796,000	12,277,000	7.7

Seasonally Adjusted:

CONNECTICUT	1,894,800	1,747,700	147,100	7.8
UNITED STATES	160,143,000	147,563,000	12,580,000	7.9

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	SEP 2020	YR TO DATE 2020	YR TO DATE 2019	TOWN	SEP 2020	YR TO DATE 2020	YR TO DATE 2019	TOWN	SEP 2020	YR TO DATE 2020	YR TO DATE 2019
Andover	0	4	6	Griswold	5	20	11	Preston	2	14	8
Ansonia	na	na	na	Groton	na	na	na	Prospect	5	27	26
Ashford	na	na	na	Guilford	na	na	na	Putnam	na	na	na
Avon	1	8	11	Haddam	0	4	6	Redding	0	1	2
Barkhamsted	na	na	na	Hamden	na	na	na	Ridgefield	0	8	42
Beacon Falls	na	na	na	Hampton	na	na	na	Rocky Hill	0	6	7
Berlin	2	13	20	Hartford	1	7	6	Roxbury	na	na	na
Bethany	na	na	na	Hartland	0	0	1	Salem	na	na	na
Bethel	8	61	42	Harwinton	na	na	na	Salisbury	na	na	na
Bethlehem	na	na	na	Hebron	2	11	10	Scotland	na	na	na
Bloomfield	4	18	31	Kent	0	5	1	Seymour	na	na	na
Bolton	0	0	0	Killingly	na	na	na	Sharon	na	na	na
Bozrah	na	na	na	Killingworth	0	6	3	Shelton	9	301	39
Branford	6	25	18	Lebanon	2	7	3	Sherman	1	3	2
Bridgeport	3	29	30	Ledyard	na	na	na	Simsbury	45	149	62
Bridgewater	0	1	1	Lisbon	na	na	na	Somers	1	5	12
Bristol	19	73	34	Litchfield	na	na	na	South Windsor	4	27	144
Brookfield	3	8	14	Lyme	0	5	1	Southbury	na	na	na
Brooklyn	5	19	16	Madison	na	na	na	Southington	9	65	69
Burlington	1	31	24	Manchester	0	30	26	Sprague	0	0	2
Canaan	na	na	na	Mansfield	0	1	5	Stafford	3	8	7
Canterbury	na	na	na	Marlborough	0	0	0	Stamford	185	259	363
Canton	0	7	8	Meriden	na	na	na	Sterling	na	na	na
Chaplin	na	na	na	Middlebury	na	na	na	Stonington	na	na	na
Cheshire	0	16	14	Middlefield	0	6	3	Stratford	1	29	76
Chester	0	0	1	Middletown	2	11	13	Suffield	5	22	29
Clinton	6	15	20	Milford	13	114	140	Thomaston	na	na	na
Colchester	1	15	12	Monroe	1	4	11	Thompson	na	na	na
Colebrook	na	na	na	Montville	na	na	na	Tolland	4	10	13
Columbia	0	1	1	Morris	na	na	na	Torrington	na	na	na
Cornwall	na	na	na	Naugatuck	na	na	na	Trumbull	43	44	5
Coventry	4	17	14	New Britain	1	3	14	Union	0	0	3
Cromwell	1	8	8	New Canaan	62	71	9	Vernon	0	75	82
Danbury	4	170	84	New Fairfield	0	5	3	Voluntown	0	2	1
Darien	3	20	31	New Hartford	na	na	na	Wallingford	3	18	16
Deep River	1	4	0	New Haven	1	736	277	Warren	na	na	na
Derby	na	na	na	New London	4	27	27	Washington	na	na	na
Durham	0	2	3	New Milford	na	na	na	Waterbury	1	10	18
East Granby	0	1	3	Newington	1	5	2	Waterford	na	na	na
East Haddam	1	5	8	Newtown	3	35	51	Watertown	na	na	na
East Hampton	2	13	11	Norfolk	na	na	na	West Hartford	12	59	63
East Hartford	0	4	4	North Branford	na	na	na	West Haven	na	na	na
East Haven	na	na	na	North Canaan	na	na	na	Westbrook	0	3	5
East Lyme	47	112	24	North Haven	na	na	na	Weston	0	11	6
East Windsor	2	18	15	North Stonington	na	na	na	Westport	8	63	41
Eastford	na	na	na	Norwalk	13	74	185	Wethersfield	0	3	3
Easton	0	5	1	Norwich	0	62	9	Willington	0	2	1
Ellington	14	85	89	Old Lyme	na	na	na	Wilton	1	3	3
Enfield	5	43	29	Old Saybrook	1	9	14	Winchester	na	na	na
Essex	1	7	13	Orange	na	na	na	Windham	0	4	3
Fairfield	3	127	138	Oxford	8	24	35	Windsor	7	19	17
Farmington	0	21	48	Plainfield	na	na	na	Windsor Locks	2	4	17
Franklin	na	na	na	Plainville	2	9	9	Wolcott	5	27	29
Glastonbury	5	26	24	Plymouth	na	na	na	Woodbridge	na	na	na
Goshen	na	na	na	Pomfret	na	na	na	Woodbury	2	18	2
Granby	0	32	39	Portland	0	4	3	Woodstock	na	na	na
Greenwich	17	82	160								

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.

LABOR MARKET AREAS

All Labor Market Areas (LMAs) in Connecticut except three are federally-designated areas for developing labor statistics. For the sake of simplicity, the federal Bridgeport-Stamford-Norwalk NECTA is referred to in Connecticut DOL publications as the Bridgeport-Stamford LMA, and the Hartford-West Hartford-East Hartford NECTA is the Hartford LMA. The northwest part of the state is now called Torrington-Northwest LMA. Five towns which are part of the Springfield, MA area are published as the Enfield LMA. The towns of Eastford and Hampton and other towns in the northeast are now called Danielson-Northeast LMA. Industry employment and labor force data estimates contained in Connecticut Department of Labor publications are prepared following the same statistical procedures developed by the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, whether for federally designated or state-determined areas.

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.....	-15.0	CT Mfg. Production Index.....	-7.8	Tourism and Travel	
Coincident General Drift Indicator....	-4.6	Production Worker Hours.....	5.4	Occupancy Rate.....	-35.2
Connecticut Real GDP.....	-0.2	Industrial Electricity Sales.....	-16.2	Tourism Website Visitors.....	-36.4
United States Real GDP.....	0.3	Personal Income.....	5.7	Air Passenger Count.....	NA
New England Real GDP.....	0.0	UI Covered Wages.....	-5.6	Gaming Slots.....	-20.9
Connecticut PCPI.....	5.8	Business Activity		Employment Cost Index (U.S.)	
United States PCPI.....	9.8	New Housing Permits.....	71.5	Total.....	2.4
New England PCPI.....	12.7	Electricity Sales.....	0.8	Wages & Salaries.....	2.7
Phil. Fed's CT Coincident Index.....	-9.6	Construction Contracts Index.....	-36.9	Benefit Costs.....	2.0
Phil. Fed's US Coincident Index.....	-4.5	New Auto Registrations.....	3.0	Consumer Prices	
		Exports.....	-24.1	U.S. City Average.....	1.4
		S&P 500: Monthly Close.....	13.0	Northeast Region.....	1.2
		Business Starts		NY-Newark-Jersey City.....	1.9
Total Nonfarm Employment.....	-6.1	Secretary of the State.....	29.7	Boston-Cambridge-Newton...	0.6
Labor Force.....	-1.5	Dept. of Labor.....	-11.1	Interest Rates	
Employed.....	-5.6	Business Terminations		Prime.....	-1.90 *
Unemployed.....	104.0	Secretary of the State.....	-16.8	Conventional Mortgage.....	-0.72 *
Unemployment Rate.....	4.1 *	Dept. of Labor.....	2.6		
Labor Force Participation Rate...	-1.1 *	State Revenues.....	NA		
Employment-Population Ratio...	-3.7 *	Corporate Tax.....	NA		
Average Weekly Initial Claims..	128.5	Personal Income Tax.....	NA		
Avg Insured Unempl. Rate.....	9.14 *	Real Estate Conveyance Tax..	NA		
U-6 Rate.....	4.6 *	Sales & Use Tax.....	NA		
Prod. Worker Avg Wkly Hrs.....	-2.1	Gaming Payments.....	-66.4		
PW Avg Hourly Earnings.....	6.0				
PW Avg Weekly Earnings.....	3.8				

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

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