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In April...

Nonfarm Employment

Connecticut 1,580,600
 Change over month +0.03%
 Change over year +12.59%

United States 144,308,000
 Change over month +0.18%
 Change over year +10.87%

Unemployment Rate

Connecticut 8.1%
 United States 6.1%

Consumer Price Index

United States 267.054
 Change over year +4.2%

Connecticut Exports Fell in 2020

By Laura Jaworski, Office of International and Domestic Business Development, DECD

C OVID-19 had far-reaching impacts on commerce in 2020, resulting in economic disruptions, production issues, and reductions in supply and demand. Consumer demand sharply increased for particular goods, while others experienced dramatic drops. Extraordinary levels of uncertainty caused consumers to hold off on big ticket purchases and durables. As the virus spread along trade and travel routes, COVID-19 drove large international trade declines and disrupted everything as lockdowns and slowed border crossings led to supply chain disruptions and increased trade costs.

To assess Connecticut’s export status, *The Connecticut Economic Digest* conducts an annual review of the state’s export performance. A review of the state’s 2020 export position follows, all of which should be viewed in the frame of COVID-19.

Annual Export Figures and COVID-19

The impact of COVID-19 was greatly felt in 2020, as Connecticut’s commodity exports dropped 15.03% to \$13.8 billion, after reaching a robust \$16.24 billion in 2019. The vast majority of the state’s export industry sectors experienced decreases, with the notable exception being, unsurprisingly, pharmaceutical products, which increased over 138% in 2020.

State exports of medicaments, pharmaceutical goods, bandages, immunological products experienced sharp increases, while the state’s historically strong export sectors dropped, including aircraft parts, industrial machinery, electrical machinery – much of this related to COVID-19’s reverberations throughout the aviation industry, travel limits and global border shutdowns. These figures omit service exports, for which the collection of data is inexact and unavailable at the state level. Therefore, these figures do not take into account COVID-19’s devastating impact on travel, tourism, international students’ education, all classified as service exports. Please refer to the associated tables for greater detail on the state’s export composition.

Due to a data lag, we are unable to ascertain the differential between the number of companies that exported pre- and post-COVID-19. The most recent data indicates that 5,736 companies exported from Connecticut in 2018. 88% of these companies were small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) with fewer than 500 employees. In 2016, 65,140 U.S. jobs were supported by goods exported from Connecticut.¹ We will continue to monitor these numbers to determine the effect of COVID-19 and get answers to the following questions:

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2020 Unemployment Rate by Town

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In 2020, the annual average statewide unemployment rate was 7.9%, up from 3.6% in 2019. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, all 169 municipalities experienced an increase in their unemployment rate last year.

2019 to 2020

The unemployment rate in all 169 cities and towns in the state rose in 2020. Sharon had the lowest unemployment rate of 4.4%, while the residents of Norwich experienced the highest rate of 14.0% last year (see table on page 3 for the complete town data). Overall, a total of 127 cities and towns had jobless rates below the 2020 statewide figure of 7.9%, 40 had rates above it, and 2 had rates equal to it. By comparison, 126 cities and towns had rates below the 2019 statewide average of 3.6%, 31 above it, and 12 were the same.

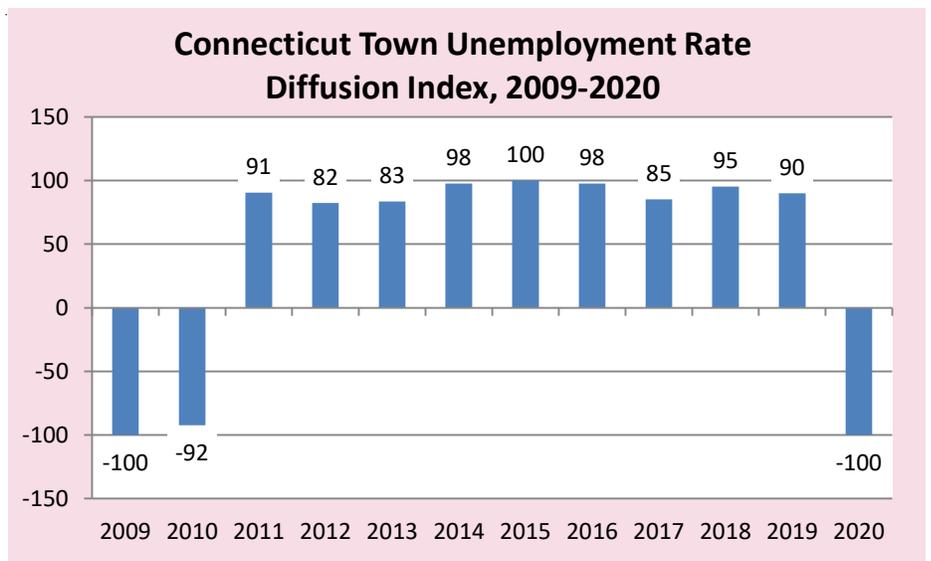
Of the five largest cities in the state with a 2010 Census population of 100,000 or more, Stamford had the lowest unemployment rate of 8.1% in 2020. Hartford posted the highest

jobless rate among the large cities at 13.3%. All five cities experienced over-the-year unemployment rate increases.

Town Unemployment Rate Diffusion Index

The Town Unemployment Rate Diffusion Index is calculated by subtracting the share of towns that experienced increases in their unemployment rates from the share that had rate decreases over the year.

As expected, during 2009-2010, the index values were negative, when Connecticut was in an economic recession. And after nine consecutive years of positive values, last year's diffusion index value plunged to -100, as all 169 cities and towns experienced an increase in unemployment rate from the impact of the pandemic (chart). However, as the pandemic comes to an end and most of the economy recover, 2021's index is expected to show a positive value. ■



Annual Average Unemployment Rate by Town, 2016-2020

Town/City	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	Town/City	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	Town/City	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Andover	4.2	3.4	3.2	3.0	6.7	Griswold	5.9	4.9	4.3	4.0	10.2	Prospect	3.9	3.8	3.4	3.2	6.0
Ansonia	6.4	6.2	5.4	5.1	11.0	Groton	4.4	3.8	3.3	3.0	8.7	Putnam	5.5	5.0	4.5	3.8	8.5
Ashford	4.5	4.1	3.8	3.1	6.1	Guilford	3.4	2.9	2.7	2.4	5.1	Redding	3.9	3.4	2.9	2.9	6.1
Avon	3.3	3.1	2.8	2.4	5.3	Haddam	3.5	3.3	2.9	2.5	5.6	Ridgefield	3.6	3.5	3.0	2.9	5.6
Barkhamsted	4.2	4.3	3.8	3.1	6.2	Hamden	4.4	4.0	3.6	3.3	6.8	Rocky Hill	3.7	3.4	2.9	2.7	6.0
Beacon Falls	4.7	4.1	3.6	3.4	6.7	Hampton	4.6	4.4	3.7	3.3	5.7	Roxbury	3.0	3.0	2.9	2.0	4.6
Berlin	4.0	3.6	3.3	3.1	6.2	Hartford	8.7	7.7	6.7	6.3	13.3	Salem	4.9	4.1	3.5	3.1	8.3
Bethany	3.8	3.6	3.1	2.8	5.7	Hartland	4.0	3.6	3.3	3.2	5.5	Salisbury	3.1	3.4	2.8	2.4	4.7
Bethel	4.1	3.7	3.3	3.1	7.5	Harwinton	4.0	3.4	3.4	3.0	5.4	Scotland	4.6	4.5	3.8	3.4	6.5
Bethlehem	4.9	4.7	3.6	3.5	6.2	Hebron	3.5	3.4	3.0	2.8	5.9	Seymour	5.1	4.5	4.1	3.8	8.1
Bloomfield	5.1	4.9	4.1	3.8	8.1	Kent	3.5	3.8	2.8	2.8	5.4	Sharon	3.1	3.1	2.6	2.2	4.4
Bolton	3.6	3.3	2.7	2.5	5.1	Killingly	5.6	4.8	4.4	3.9	7.9	Shelton	4.7	4.4	4.0	3.6	7.8
Bozrah	4.3	4.0	3.7	3.1	7.9	Killingworth	3.3	2.8	2.5	2.3	5.1	Sherman	3.9	3.6	2.9	2.8	6.4
Branford	4.4	3.9	3.4	3.2	6.8	Lebanon	4.6	4.3	3.6	3.4	7.0	Simsbury	3.4	3.0	2.7	2.5	5.3
Bridgeport	7.2	6.5	5.8	5.3	11.9	Ledyard	4.0	3.5	3.2	2.9	9.2	Somers	4.3	3.9	3.4	3.2	6.6
Bridgewater	3.3	3.6	3.1	3.1	6.3	Lisbon	5.4	4.7	3.8	3.6	9.0	South Windsor	4.0	3.5	3.2	3.0	6.3
Bristol	5.3	4.9	4.3	4.1	8.6	Litchfield	3.8	3.6	3.0	2.9	5.6	Southbury	4.7	4.1	3.7	3.3	7.2
Brookfield	3.9	3.6	3.4	3.1	7.2	Lyme	3.4	3.3	3.0	2.5	5.3	Southington	4.1	3.7	3.4	3.0	6.5
Brooklyn	4.9	4.4	3.9	3.5	7.4	Madison	3.6	3.2	2.9	2.6	5.5	Sprague	5.2	5.0	4.2	4.0	9.5
Burlington	4.0	3.3	3.0	2.8	5.6	Manchester	4.7	4.3	3.9	3.6	8.4	Stafford	5.2	4.4	4.0	3.6	7.1
Canaan	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.2	6.0	Mansfield	4.6	3.9	3.6	3.5	4.9	Stamford	4.2	3.9	3.5	3.2	8.1
Canterbury	5.0	4.2	3.7	3.1	7.4	Marlborough	3.8	3.3	3.1	2.8	5.6	Sterling	5.8	5.4	4.7	4.4	8.1
Canton	3.6	3.3	3.0	2.8	5.7	Meriden	5.8	5.2	4.5	4.3	8.8	Stonington	3.8	3.5	3.2	2.9	7.3
Chaplin	5.4	4.8	4.3	3.6	7.7	Middlebury	4.1	3.9	3.2	2.8	6.4	Stratford	5.5	5.2	4.5	4.2	9.3
Cheshire	3.5	3.1	2.8	2.4	5.2	Middlefield	4.4	3.5	3.1	3.4	6.3	Suffield	4.0	3.7	3.3	3.1	6.3
Chester	3.6	3.4	2.8	2.9	6.1	Middletown	4.8	4.3	3.8	3.5	7.3	Thomaston	4.1	3.7	3.6	3.3	6.6
Clinton	3.8	3.7	3.2	3.1	6.7	Milford	4.4	4.0	3.6	3.3	7.5	Thompson	5.1	4.4	3.8	3.7	6.9
Colchester	4.1	3.6	3.2	3.0	6.2	Monroe	4.4	4.4	3.5	3.5	6.9	Tolland	3.5	3.1	2.9	2.7	5.4
Colebrook	5.0	5.1	4.6	3.6	6.0	Montville	4.8	4.3	4.0	3.6	10.1	Torrington	5.6	5.1	4.5	4.1	8.3
Columbia	4.0	3.5	3.3	3.1	5.8	Morris	3.6	3.4	3.3	2.7	5.6	Trumbull	4.1	3.9	3.6	3.3	7.1
Cornwall	2.6	2.9	2.7	2.4	5.6	Naugatuck	5.5	5.1	4.4	4.0	8.4	Union	4.5	3.4	2.6	2.7	5.3
Coventry	4.0	3.6	3.2	2.8	5.8	New Britain	6.5	6.0	5.3	5.1	10.8	Vernon	4.5	4.1	3.8	3.4	7.8
Cromwell	4.1	3.9	3.4	3.0	6.7	New Canaan	3.7	3.6	3.0	3.0	5.6	Voluntown	4.9	4.6	3.4	3.8	8.5
Danbury	4.0	3.7	3.2	3.1	7.3	New Fairfield	4.1	3.8	3.2	3.1	7.1	Wallingford	4.3	3.9	3.3	3.0	6.5
Darien	4.0	3.5	3.2	3.1	5.4	New Hartford	4.1	3.6	3.2	2.8	5.8	Warren	3.8	4.2	3.0	2.6	5.3
Deep River	3.5	3.2	3.1	2.6	5.8	New Haven	6.1	5.6	4.8	4.2	8.8	Washington	3.0	3.0	2.3	2.2	5.0
Derby	5.9	5.5	4.9	4.3	9.8	New London	6.8	5.9	5.2	4.8	13.3	Waterbury	7.5	6.9	6.3	5.6	11.6
Durham	3.3	3.1	2.9	2.6	5.1	New Milford	4.2	3.8	3.4	3.1	7.5	Waterford	4.5	3.9	3.4	3.3	8.3
East Granby	4.1	3.3	3.3	2.8	6.1	Newington	4.2	3.8	3.4	3.2	7.3	Watertown	4.4	3.8	3.5	3.3	6.7
East Haddam	4.4	4.2	3.4	3.1	6.6	Newtown	4.1	3.6	3.3	2.9	6.3	West Hartford	3.6	3.2	2.9	2.7	6.0
East Hampton	4.1	3.6	3.2	2.9	6.1	Norfolk	4.2	3.4	3.4	3.1	5.8	West Haven	5.5	5.1	4.5	3.9	8.6
East Hartford	6.1	5.4	5.0	4.5	10.4	North Branford	4.2	3.7	3.3	3.0	5.9	Westbrook	4.2	3.7	3.4	3.2	6.7
East Haven	5.4	4.9	4.2	4.0	8.3	North Canaan	4.5	3.5	3.4	3.2	6.4	Weston	3.9	3.8	3.4	3.1	6.4
East Lyme	4.5	3.9	3.7	3.4	8.0	North Haven	4.2	3.8	3.4	3.1	6.7	Westport	3.5	3.5	2.9	2.8	5.5
East Windsor	5.1	4.7	4.2	3.6	7.4	North Stonington	3.9	3.5	3.3	3.0	6.9	Wethersfield	4.3	4.2	3.4	3.1	7.2
Eastford	3.6	3.8	3.7	3.0	5.7	Norwalk	4.3	4.0	3.5	3.2	8.1	Willington	3.9	3.5	3.3	2.7	6.0
Easton	3.5	3.7	3.2	2.8	6.0	Norwich	5.7	4.7	4.3	3.9	14.0	Wilton	3.9	3.5	3.0	3.0	5.8
Ellington	4.1	3.7	3.4	3.0	5.8	Old Lyme	3.7	3.7	3.4	3.1	6.9	Winchester	5.1	4.7	4.3	4.0	7.8
Enfield	5.2	4.4	3.8	3.5	7.6	Old Saybrook	4.1	3.8	3.2	2.9	6.5	Windham	5.9	5.6	5.0	4.6	9.0
Essex	3.7	3.5	3.0	2.9	6.0	Orange	3.8	3.2	3.1	2.8	6.1	Windsor	4.7	4.4	3.9	3.7	8.0
Fairfield	4.2	3.9	3.4	3.2	6.7	Oxford	4.1	3.9	3.2	3.0	6.4	Windsor Locks	4.9	4.4	4.1	3.6	8.1
Farmington	3.6	3.4	3.0	2.7	5.8	Plainfield	5.7	5.1	4.5	4.2	8.6	Wolcott	4.4	4.0	3.5	3.1	6.8
Franklin	4.6	3.2	3.2	3.6	7.4	Plainville	4.7	4.6	3.9	3.4	7.8	Woodbridge	3.3	2.9	2.9	2.6	5.4
Glastonbury	3.4	3.0	2.7	2.5	5.5	Plymouth	5.5	4.9	4.4	4.3	8.1	Woodbury	3.9	3.4	3.2	3.0	6.3
Goshen	4.0	3.4	2.8	2.8	5.3	Pomfret	3.4	3.0	3.1	2.6	4.9	Woodstock	4.5	4.1	3.9	3.6	7.2
Granby	3.5	3.1	2.7	2.4	5.0	Portland	4.6	3.9	3.5	3.1	6.4						
Greenwich	3.7	3.5	2.9	2.8	5.8	Preston	4.8	4.6	3.7	3.6	9.9	CONNECTICUT	4.9	4.4	3.9	3.6	7.9

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics and Connecticut Department of Labor, Office of Research

Connecticut Exports by Partner Country

Rank	Description	ANNUAL 2019	ANNUAL 2020	%2019-2020
	TOTAL ALL PARTNER COUNTRIES	16,242,524,820	13,801,735,741	-15.03
1	Germany	2,541,517,062	2,189,266,872	-13.86
2	Canada	1,951,767,217	1,669,739,898	-14.45
3	United Kingdom	1,451,693,000	1,154,244,773	-20.49
4	China	1,262,132,160	1,102,042,656	-12.68
5	France	1,859,638,780	894,351,710	-51.91
6	Netherlands	775,236,366	845,648,255	9.08
7	Mexico	810,580,089	753,886,735	-6.99
8	Singapore	552,454,131	425,723,926	-22.94
9	Korea, Republic Of	475,294,825	417,857,644	-12.08
10	Japan	402,090,354	398,144,270	-0.98

Connecticut Commodity Exports

Rank	Description	ANNUAL 2019	ANNUAL 2020	%2019-2020
	TOTAL ALL COMMODITIES	16,242,524,820	13,801,735,741	-15.03
1	Aircraft, Spacecraft, And Parts Thereof	6,264,276,646	4,368,272,169	-30.27
2	Industrial Machinery, Including Computers	3,122,219,509	2,921,541,719	-6.43
3	Optic, Photo Etc, Medic Or Surgical Instrments Etc	1,244,608,755	1,181,753,381	-5.05
4	Electric Machinery Etc; Sound Equip; Tv Equip; Pts	1,212,461,574	1,086,401,761	-10.4
5	Special Classification Provisions, Nesoi	775,202,570	573,447,382	-26.03
6	Pharmaceutical Products	188,377,599	448,948,023	138.32
7	Plastics And Articles Thereof	504,061,695	421,926,266	-16.29
8	Miscellaneous Chemical Products	196,355,027	211,229,741	7.58
9	Inorg Chem; Prec & Rare-Earth Met & Radioact Compd	188,797,096	182,166,344	-3.51
10	Mineral Fuel, Oil Etc.; Bitumen Subst; Mineral Wax	228,968,904	169,942,126	-25.78

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- How will COVID-19 shape businesses' international activities and efforts, reshoring, value chains, and supply chains?
- Will manufacturing shift to domestic borders?
- How will companies address risk management with supply chain disruptions?

Partner Countries

Connecticut exports were markedly decreased among its trade partner countries, although the composition remained the same. The state's top ten commodity export destinations were Germany, Canada, the United Kingdom, China, France, the Netherlands, Mexico, Singapore, South Korea and Japan. However, with the sole exception of the Netherlands, exports across these markets were down significantly, ranging from decreases of 1% to over 50% in 2020. The Netherlands was the only top ten partner country to

experience an increase in state exports in the form of Connecticut commodities of chemical products, oral dental hygiene/prep, and mixtures of substances for food and drink.

U.S. Exports

U.S. commodity exports decreased 12.89% in 2020 to \$1.43 trillion, from the \$1.64 trillion recorded in 2019. Due to geographic proximity, it should come as no surprise that Canada and Mexico remained the top two destinations for U.S. exports in 2020, which experienced U.S. commodity export decreases of 12.81 and 17.11%, respectively.

In 2020, Connecticut retained its 28th rank in the U.S. in state-by-states exports. Texas, California, New York, Louisiana, and Illinois were the top five export states in 2020, ranked in terms of export commodity dollars. Most states experienced export commodity decreases in 2020. The exceptions were Colorado, Utah, Oregon, and New Jersey, that had bumps in sectors such as

meats, pharmaceuticals, chemical products, ores, slags, and ash.

New England Exports

In New England in 2020, only Massachusetts' exports value ranked higher than Connecticut's. As a regional trading block, New England's commodity exports totaled more than \$51.27 billion in 2020, a 9.44% decrease from 2019. The top five export destinations for New England commodities were Canada, Germany, China, the United Kingdom, and Mexico, roughly the same as in 2019.

Connecticut Export Composition

Last year at the two-digit Harmonized System (HS) commodity code level, Connecticut's top five export commodities were (1) aircraft, spacecraft and parts thereof; (2) industrial machinery, including computers; (3) optic, photo, medical or surgical instruments; (4) electric machinery, sound equipment, TV equipment, parts and (5) special classification provisions, Nesoi. The bulk of special classification provisions were composed of exports of repaired imports. These top five export commodity sectors all experienced percentage decreases, ranging from 5.05 to 30.27%.

To put these figures into national and regional context, the U.S. and New England states' top export commodities were similar to Connecticut's. In 2020, the top five U.S. export commodities were (1) industrial machinery, including computers; (2) electric machinery, sound equipment, TV equipment, parts; (3) mineral fuel, oil, bitumen substances, mineral wax; (4) vehicles, except railway or tramway, and (5) optic, photo, medical or surgical instruments. In 2020, the New England region's top five export

commodities were (1) industrial machinery, including computers; (2) optic, photo, medical or surgical instruments; (3) electric machinery, sound equipment, TV equipment, parts; (4) aircraft, spacecraft, and parts thereof; (5) natural or cultured pearls, precious stones, precious metal clad materials, imitation jewelry and coins.

State Trade Expansion Promotion (STEP) Grant

Given the international business climate and decreased exports, the state and federal government continue to partner to educate and help Connecticut companies take advantage of export opportunities. DECD administers the State Trade Expansion Promotion (STEP)

grant award from the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA). The program's goals are to increase the number of small business exporters and increase export sales. In conjunction with organizations such as the local U.S. Department of Commerce Export Assistance Center (USEAC), the Small Business Development Center (SBDC) and others, DECD directs STEP funds towards small businesses for export development and training opportunities, company participation in foreign and domestic trade shows and trade missions, website translation, as well as other export initiatives and events. Due to the CARES

Act, virtual trade shows and missions, conducted on digital platforms rather than in-person due to COVID-19, are now also STEP eligible.

For more information about STEP grant activities, eligibility standards, program guidelines and application procedures, please contact Laura Jaworski at laura.jaworski@ct.gov or visit www.stepgrant.smapply.io. ■

1 Source: "USMCA Connecticut State Fact Sheet," U.S. Department of Commerce International Trade Administration, www.trade.gov/sites/default/files/202012/Connecticut%20USMCA%20State%20Fact%20Sheet.pdf

GENERAL ECONOMIC INDICATORS

<i>(Seasonally adjusted)</i>	4Q	4Q	YoY CHG		3Q	QoQ CHG	
	2020	2019	NO.	%	2020	NO.	%
General Drift Indicator (2007=100)*							
Leading	105.6	115.2	-9.6	-8.3	106.2	-0.6	-0.5
Coincident	91.7	94.9	-3.2	-3.4	91.4	0.3	0.34
Real Gross Domestic Product**							
<i>(2012 Chained \$, SAAR)</i>							
Connecticut (\$ in millions)	246,890.2	252,214.6	-5,324.4	-2.1	242,765.5	4,124.7	1.7
United States (\$ in millions)	18,794,426	19,253,959	-459,533	-2.4	18,596,521	197,905	1.1
New England (\$ in millions)	970,578.9	994,479.9	-23,901.0	-2.4	958,935.4	11,643.5	1.2
Per Capita Personal Income**							
<i>(Current \$, SAAR)</i>							
Connecticut	79,423	77,710	1,713	2.2	79,906	-483	-0.6
United States	59,086	56,995	2,091	3.7	60,184	-1,098	-1.8
New England	72,728	70,075	2,653	3.8	74,531	-1,803	-2.4
Philadelphia Fed's Coincident Index (2007=100)***							
	Apr	Apr	YoY CHG		Mar	MoM CHG	
	2021	2020	NO.	%	2021	NO.	%
Connecticut	110.37	109.38	1.0	0.9	109.74	0.6	0.6
United States	126.27	115.98	10.3	8.9	125.97	0.3	0.2

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

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

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

Total nonfarm
employment increased
over the year.

EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY SECTOR

	Apr	Apr	CHANGE		Mar
	2021	2020	NO.	%	2021
(Seasonally adjusted; 000s)					
TOTAL NONFARM	1,580.6	1,403.9	176.7	12.6	1,580.1
Natural Res & Mining	0.5	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.5
Construction	57.6	49.5	8.1	16.4	57.0
Manufacturing	151.6	148.2	3.4	2.3	152.2
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	286.5	238.4	48.1	20.2	288.8
Information	28.3	28.6	-0.3	-1.0	27.6
Financial Activities	118.3	119.4	-1.1	-0.9	119.0
Professional and Business Services	206.3	195.8	10.5	5.4	202.7
Education and Health Services	324.7	300.5	24.2	8.1	328.8
Leisure and Hospitality	125.3	67.4	57.9	85.9	123.5
Other Services	58.8	42.4	16.4	38.7	58.4
Government*	222.7	213.2	9.5	4.5	221.6

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

Average weekly initial
claims fell from a year
ago.

UNEMPLOYMENT

	Apr	Apr	CHANGE		Mar
	2021	2020	NO.	%	2021
(Seasonally adjusted)					
Labor Force, resident (000s)	1,741.8	1,826.6	-84.8	-4.6	1,729.6
Employed (000s)	1,601.2	1,669.7	-68.5	-4.1	1,586.5
Unemployed (000s)	140.5	156.9	-16.4	-10.5	143.0
Unemployment Rate (%)	8.1	8.6	-0.5	---	8.3
Labor Force Participation Rate (%)	60.5	63.3	-2.8	---	60.1
Employment-Population Ratio (%)	55.6	57.9	-2.3	---	55.1
Average Weekly Initial Claims	4,609	37,632	-33,024	-87.8	10,553
Avg. Insured Unemp. Rate (%)	4.37	15.37	-11.00	---	3.49
	1Q 2021	1Q 2020			2020
U-6 Rate (%)	15.2	8.1	7.1	---	14.1

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

The production worker
weekly earnings fell over
the year.

MANUFACTURING ACTIVITY

	Apr	Apr	CHANGE		Mar	Feb
	2021	2020	NO.	%	2021	2021
(Not seasonally adjusted)						
Production Worker Avg Wkly Hours	39.8	39.2	0.6	1.5	39.6	--
Prod. Worker Avg Hourly Earnings	27.50	29.79	-2.29	-7.7	27.76	--
Prod. Worker Avg Weekly Earnings	1,094.50	1,167.77	-73.27	-6.3	1,099.30	--
CT Mfg. Prod. Index, NSA (2009=100)	91.9	84.6	7.3	8.7	94.6	91.0
Production Worker Hours (000s)	3,845	3,278	566	17.3	3,861	--
Industrial Electricity Sales (mil kWh)*	218	214	4.3	2.0	228	218
CT Mfg. Prod. Index, SA (2009=100)	97.7	91.4	6.3	6.8	97.6	96.5

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

*Latest two months are forecasted.

Personal income for fourth
quarter 2020 increased
1.8 percent from a year
earlier.

INCOME

	4Q	4Q	CHANGE		3Q
	2020	2019	NO.	%	2020
(\$ Millions, SA, annualized)					
Personal Income	\$282,134.8	\$277,058.2	\$5,076.6	1.8	\$284,113.5
Wages and Salaries	\$120,508.1	\$121,089.1	-\$581.0	-0.5	\$117,918.8

Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis

BUSINESS ACTIVITY

New auto registrations increased over the year.

	MONTH	LEVEL	YY %	YEAR TO DATE		%
			CHG	CURRENT	PRIOR	CHG
New Housing Permits*	Apr 2021	690	72.1	1,780	1,763	1.0
Electricity Sales (mil kWh)	Mar 2021	2,155	3.8	6,902	6,594	4.7
Construction Contracts Index (1980=100)	Apr 2021	308.5	55.4	---	---	---
New Auto Registrations	Apr 2021	17,852	76.4	73,431	52,595	39.6
Exports (Bil. \$)	1Q 2021	3.60	-13.3	3.60	4.15	-13.3
S&P 500: Monthly Close	Apr 2021	4,181.17	43.6	---	---	---

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

* Estimated by the Bureau of the Census

BUSINESS STARTS AND TERMINATIONS

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

	MO/QTR	LEVEL	YY %	YEAR TO DATE		%
			CHG	CURRENT	PRIOR	CHG
STARTS						
Secretary of the State	Apr 2021	4,516	106.3	18,335	11,339	61.7
Department of Labor	3Q 2020	2,927	9.0	8,547	8,847	-3.4
TERMINATIONS						
Secretary of the State	Apr 2021	1,112	35.0	7,217	5,170	39.6
Department of Labor	3Q 2020	1,798	-17.5	2,179	6,269	-65.2

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

STATE REVENUES

Year to date gaming payments were up from a year ago.

(Millions of dollars)	Apr	Apr	%	YEAR TO DATE		%
	2021	2020	CHG	CURRENT	PRIOR	CHG
TOTAL ALL REVENUES*	2,390.3	1,417.9	68.6	8,025.9	6,654.0	20.6
Corporate Tax	288.6	101.9	183.2	1,137.8	760.3	49.7
Personal Income Tax	1,127.7	669.1	68.5	3,850.2	3,222.0	19.5
Real Estate Conv. Tax	22.0	0.5	4,300.0	97.4	39.1	149.1
Sales & Use Tax	473.7	338.2	40.1	1,740.6	1,550.3	12.3
Gaming Payments**	19.1	0.0	NA	71.5	47.9	49.4

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

Year to date gaming slots rose over the year.

	MONTH	LEVEL	YY %	YEAR TO DATE		%
			CHG	CURRENT	PRIOR	CHG
Occupancy Rate (%)*	Apr 2021	50.8	113.4	44.8	40.0	12.0
Tourism Website Visitors	Apr 2021	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Air Passenger Count	Mar 2021	265,392	-8.9	589,963	1,279,346	-53.9
Gaming Slots (Mil.\$)***	Apr 2021	889.5	NA	3,146.8	2,308.8	36.3

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 2.8 percent over the year.

EMPLOYMENT COST INDEX

Private Industry Workers (Dec. 2005 = 100)	Seasonally Adjusted			Not Seasonally Adjusted		
	Mar 2021	Dec 2020	3-Mo % Chg	Mar 2021	Mar 2020	12-Mo % Chg
UNITED STATES TOTAL	143.2	141.8	1.0	143.3	139.4	2.8
Wages and Salaries	144.4	142.8	1.1	144.6	140.4	3.0
Benefit Costs	140.2	139.3	0.6	140.3	136.9	2.5
NORTHEAST TOTAL	---	---	---	146.1	141.7	3.1
Wages and Salaries	---	---	---	146.7	141.9	3.4

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

U.S. inflation rate was up by 4.2 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	Apr 2021	267.054	4.2	0.8
Purchasing Power of \$ (1982-84=\$1.00)	Apr 2021	0.374	-4.0	-0.8
Northeast Region	Apr 2021	280.234	3.3	0.7
New York-Newark-Jersey City	Apr 2021	289.493	3.2	0.7
Boston-Cambridge-Newton**	Mar 2021	289.240	1.3	0.9
CPI-W (1982-84=100)				
U.S. City Average	Apr 2021	261.237	4.7	0.9

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 3.06 percent over the month.

INTEREST RATES

(Percent)	Apr 2021	Mar 2021	Apr 2020
Prime	3.25	3.25	3.25
Federal Funds	0.07	0.07	0.05
3 Month Treasury Bill	0.02	0.03	0.14
6 Month Treasury Bill	0.04	0.05	0.17
1 Year Treasury Note	0.06	0.08	0.18
3 Year Treasury Note	0.35	0.32	0.28
5 Year Treasury Note	0.86	0.82	0.39
7 Year Treasury Note	1.31	1.27	0.55
10 Year Treasury Note	1.64	1.61	0.66
20 Year Treasury Note	2.20	2.24	1.06
Conventional Mortgage	3.06	3.08	3.31

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>	Apr	Apr	CHANGE		Mar
	2021	2020	NO.	%	2021
Connecticut	1,580.6	1,403.9	176.7	12.6	1,580.1
Maine	610.8	545.4	65.4	12.0	612.4
Massachusetts	3,433.8	3,041.5	392.3	12.9	3,428.7
New Hampshire	659.1	572.6	86.5	15.1	657.7
New Jersey	3,900.8	3,512.4	388.4	11.1	3,896.9
New York	8,882.2	7,852.4	1,029.8	13.1	8,853.0
Pennsylvania	5,666.5	4,962.9	703.6	14.2	5,670.9
Rhode Island	467.6	399.2	68.4	17.1	467.2
Vermont	291.4	251.0	40.4	16.1	289.3
United States	144,308.0	130,161.0	14,147.0	10.9	144,042.0

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>	Apr	Apr	CHANGE		Mar
	2021	2020	NO.	%	2021
Connecticut	1,741,765	1,826,611	-84,846	-4.6	1,729,562
Maine	673,930	654,335	19,595	3.0	673,127
Massachusetts	3,746,359	3,409,863	336,496	9.9	3,744,412
New Hampshire	757,378	735,030	22,348	3.0	759,327
New Jersey	4,422,165	4,477,672	-55,507	-1.2	4,419,712
New York	9,505,870	8,870,365	635,505	7.2	9,523,660
Pennsylvania	6,337,905	6,313,806	24,099	0.4	6,335,821
Rhode Island	539,623	545,692	-6,069	-1.1	541,513
Vermont	312,813	353,857	-41,044	-11.6	313,062
United States	160,988,000	156,478,000	4,510,000	2.9	160,558,000

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

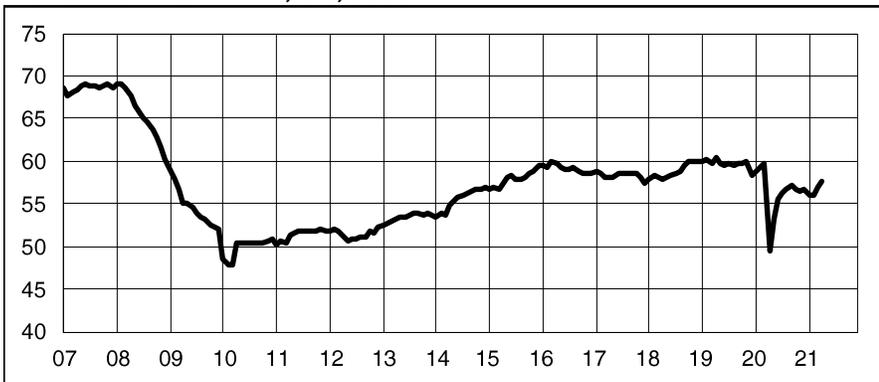
UNEMPLOYMENT RATES

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

<i>(Seasonally adjusted)</i>	Apr	Apr	CHANGE	Mar
	2021	2020		2021
Connecticut	8.1	8.6	-0.5	8.3
Maine	4.8	9.1	-4.3	4.8
Massachusetts	6.5	16.4	-9.9	6.7
New Hampshire	2.8	16.0	-13.2	3.0
New Jersey	7.5	16.6	-9.1	7.6
New York	8.2	16.2	-8.0	8.4
Pennsylvania	7.4	16.2	-8.8	7.3
Rhode Island	6.3	17.4	-11.1	7.0
Vermont	2.9	14.8	-11.9	2.9
United States	6.1	14.8	-8.7	6.0

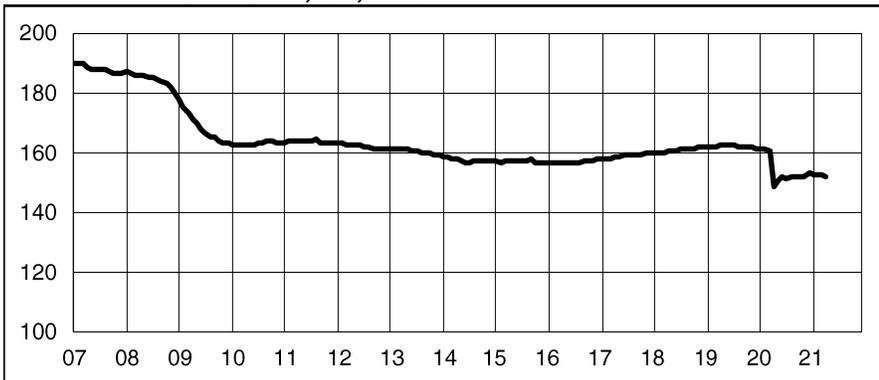
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CONSTRUCTION EMP., SA, 000s



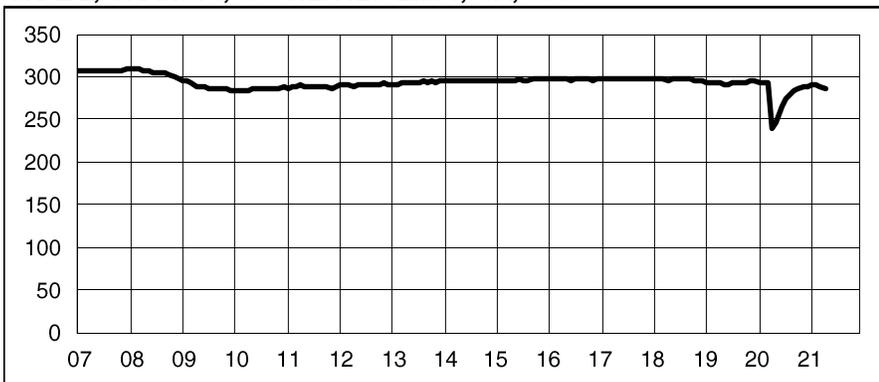
Month	2019	2020	2021
Jan	60.0	58.8	56.1
Feb	60.1	59.3	56.0
Mar	59.8	59.8	57.0
Apr	60.5	49.5	57.6
May	59.8	53.3	
Jun	59.6	55.5	
Jul	59.8	56.2	
Aug	59.6	56.6	
Sep	59.8	57.2	
Oct	59.7	56.8	
Nov	59.9	56.4	
Dec	58.4	56.7	

MANUFACTURING EMP., SA, 000s



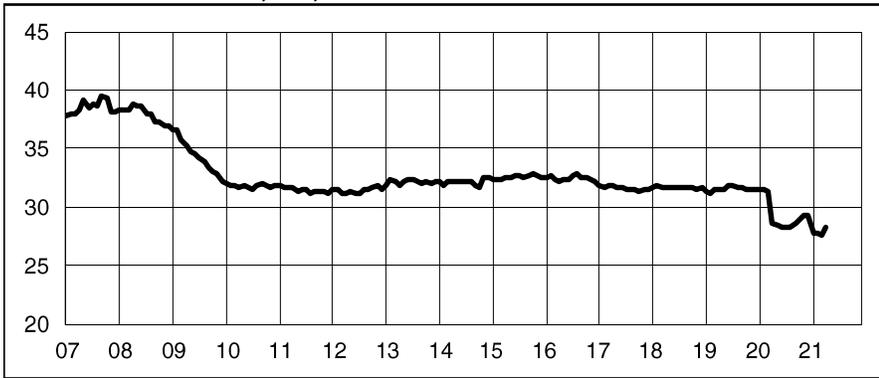
Month	2019	2020	2021
Jan	161.9	160.8	152.1
Feb	161.8	160.9	152.1
Mar	162.0	160.1	152.2
Apr	162.1	148.2	151.6
May	162.2	150.6	
Jun	162.3	151.9	
Jul	162.3	151.3	
Aug	161.9	151.5	
Sep	162.0	152.0	
Oct	161.8	151.4	
Nov	161.6	151.6	
Dec	160.8	152.9	

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



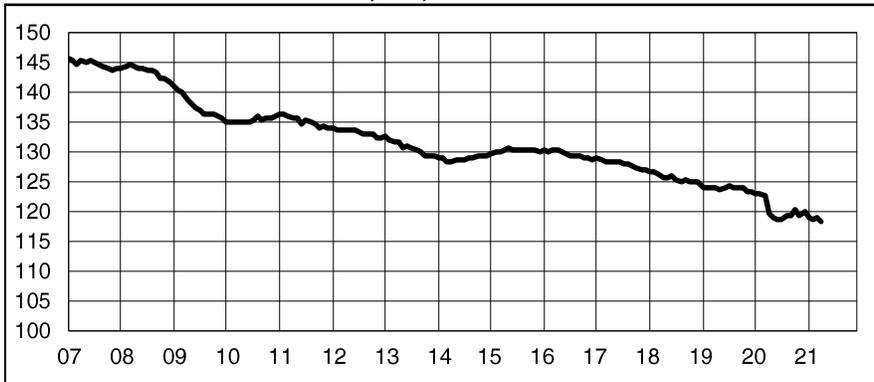
Month	2019	2020	2021
Jan	293.3	293.9	290.6
Feb	292.8	293.2	291.4
Mar	292.2	293.1	288.8
Apr	292.0	238.4	286.5
May	291.6	246.9	
Jun	290.5	265.4	
Jul	291.7	274.1	
Aug	292.3	278.7	
Sep	292.5	282.8	
Oct	293.3	287.0	
Nov	294.2	288.4	
Dec	294.5	287.5	

INFORMATION EMP., SA, 000s



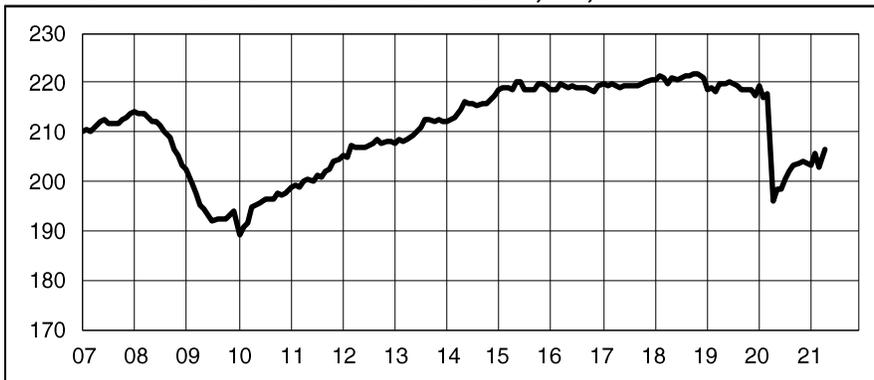
Month	2019	2020	2021
Jan	31.3	31.4	27.7
Feb	31.2	31.4	27.7
Mar	31.5	31.3	27.6
Apr	31.4	28.6	28.3
May	31.5	28.4	
Jun	31.8	28.2	
Jul	31.8	28.2	
Aug	31.7	28.2	
Sep	31.7	28.6	
Oct	31.4	29.0	
Nov	31.5	29.2	
Dec	31.4	29.2	

FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES EMP., SA, 000s



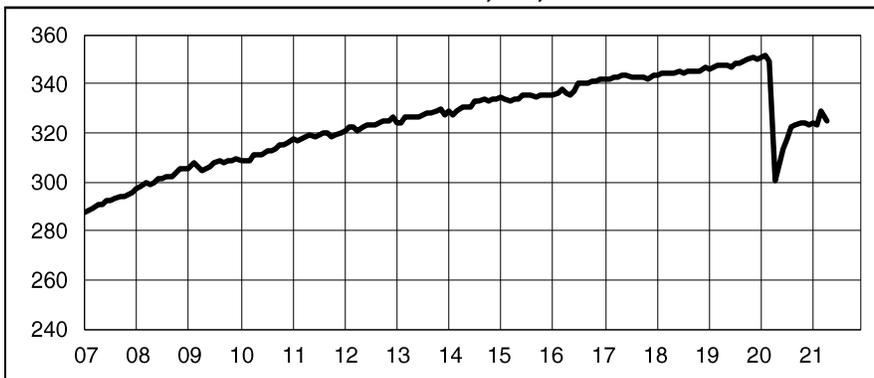
Month	2019	2020	2021
Jan	124.0	122.9	118.9
Feb	124.0	122.8	118.6
Mar	123.8	122.5	119.0
Apr	123.7	119.4	118.3
May	123.6	119.0	
Jun	123.7	118.4	
Jul	124.2	118.6	
Aug	123.8	119.1	
Sep	123.7	119.1	
Oct	123.7	120.1	
Nov	123.3	119.3	
Dec	123.2	119.8	

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



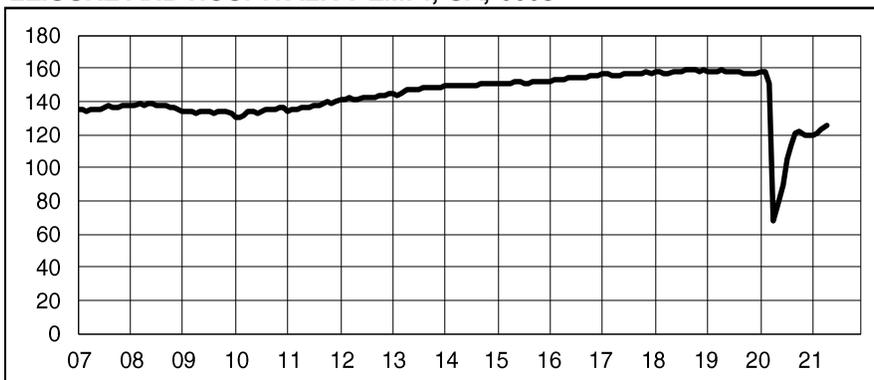
Month	2019	2020	2021
Jan	218.4	219.4	203.3
Feb	219.0	216.8	205.6
Mar	218.2	217.8	202.7
Apr	219.8	195.8	206.3
May	219.7	198.4	
Jun	220.0	198.5	
Jul	219.9	200.6	
Aug	219.2	201.9	
Sep	218.7	203.2	
Oct	218.7	203.5	
Nov	218.4	204.2	
Dec	217.2	203.6	

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



Month	2019	2020	2021
Jan	346.1	350.8	324.3
Feb	346.6	351.6	322.9
Mar	347.5	348.8	328.8
Apr	347.3	300.5	324.7
May	347.3	306.9	
Jun	346.8	313.7	
Jul	348.0	317.3	
Aug	348.1	322.3	
Sep	348.9	323.4	
Oct	349.8	324.2	
Nov	351.0	324.0	
Dec	350.2	323.0	

LEISURE AND HOSPITALITY EMP., SA, 000s



Month	2019	2020	2021
Jan	158.2	157.6	118.9
Feb	158.1	158.2	121.0
Mar	158.3	150.7	123.5
Apr	158.5	67.4	125.3
May	158.2	76.4	
Jun	158.2	90.0	
Jul	157.9	105.1	
Aug	157.3	114.0	
Sep	157.0	120.7	
Oct	157.1	121.9	
Nov	156.7	119.7	
Dec	156.9	118.9	

CONNECTICUT*Not Seasonally Adjusted*

	Apr 2021	Apr 2020	CHANGE		Mar 2021
			NO.	%	
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT	1,579,000	1,399,200	179,800	12.9	1,564,100
TOTAL PRIVATE	1,351,000	1,181,900	169,100	14.3	1,336,000
GOODS PRODUCING INDUSTRIES	207,800	196,700	11,100	5.6	204,100
CONSTRUCTION, NAT. RES. & MINING	56,800	49,100	7,700	15.7	52,700
MANUFACTURING	151,000	147,600	3,400	2.3	151,400
Durable Goods	119,100	118,100	1,000	0.8	119,500
Fabricated Metal.....	26,100	27,000	-900	-3.3	26,400
Machinery.....	12,700	12,600	100	0.8	12,700
Computer and Electronic Product.....	10,100	10,200	-100	-1.0	10,100
Transportation Equipment.....	45,200	45,200	0	0.0	45,500
Aerospace Product and Parts.....	30,200	31,400	-1,200	-3.8	30,600
Non-Durable Goods	31,900	29,500	2,400	8.1	31,900
Chemical.....	7,200	7,400	-200	-2.7	7,300
SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES	1,371,200	1,202,500	168,700	14.0	1,360,000
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, UTILITIES	281,800	232,900	48,900	21.0	284,500
Wholesale Trade.....	53,900	53,300	600	1.1	54,200
Retail Trade.....	163,400	130,800	32,600	24.9	163,300
Motor Vehicle and Parts Dealers.....	20,100	13,900	6,200	44.6	19,900
Building Material.....	16,200	14,300	1,900	13.3	15,400
Food and Beverage Stores.....	40,900	38,000	2,900	7.6	41,900
General Merchandise Stores.....	25,200	22,100	3,100	14.0	25,400
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities....	64,500	48,800	15,700	32.2	67,000
Utilities.....	5,000	5,100	-100	-2.0	5,000
Transportation and Warehousing.....	59,500	43,700	15,800	36.2	62,000
INFORMATION	28,200	28,600	-400	-1.4	27,500
Telecommunications.....	6,100	6,300	-200	-3.2	6,100
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	117,900	118,600	-700	-0.6	118,800
Finance and Insurance.....	100,200	100,800	-600	-0.6	100,800
Credit Intermediation and Related.....	21,300	21,800	-500	-2.3	21,600
Financial Investments and Related.....	21,800	21,500	300	1.4	21,700
Insurance Carriers & Related Activities....	57,100	57,500	-400	-0.7	57,500
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing.....	17,700	17,800	-100	-0.6	18,000
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	207,300	196,100	11,200	5.7	199,500
Professional, Scientific.....	95,000	90,700	4,300	4.7	92,900
Legal Services.....	11,400	11,100	300	2.7	11,300
Computer Systems Design.....	22,200	22,900	-700	-3.1	21,800
Management of Companies.....	32,400	31,000	1,400	4.5	32,100
Administrative and Support.....	79,900	74,400	5,500	7.4	74,500
Employment Services.....	22,500	20,000	2,500	12.5	20,500
EDUCATION AND HEALTH SERVICES	328,300	303,000	25,300	8.3	328,500
Educational Services.....	66,300	64,200	2,100	3.3	67,200
Health Care and Social Assistance.....	262,000	238,800	23,200	9.7	261,300
Hospitals.....	59,900	57,000	2,900	5.1	60,000
Nursing & Residential Care Facilities.....	52,100	56,000	-3,900	-7.0	52,100
Social Assistance.....	60,100	53,500	6,600	12.3	59,700
LEISURE AND HOSPITALITY	121,500	64,000	57,500	89.8	115,800
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation.....	17,500	10,000	7,500	75.0	15,700
Accommodation and Food Services.....	104,000	54,000	50,000	92.6	100,100
Food Serv., Restaurants, Drinking Places.	97,600	49,700	47,900	96.4	94,400
OTHER SERVICES	58,200	42,000	16,200	38.6	57,300
GOVERNMENT	228,000	217,300	10,700	4.9	228,100
Federal Government.....	18,400	18,500	-100	-0.5	18,100
State Government.....	74,500	72,800	1,700	2.3	74,400
Local Government**.....	135,100	126,000	9,100	7.2	135,600

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

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

BRIDGEPORT - STAMFORD LMA



Not Seasonally Adjusted

	Apr 2021	Apr 2020	CHANGE		Mar 2021
			NO.	%	
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT	372,700	327,500	45,200	13.8	366,800
TOTAL PRIVATE	332,200	286,800	45,400	15.8	326,900
GOODS PRODUCING INDUSTRIES	40,100	36,000	4,100	11.4	39,200
CONSTRUCTION, NAT. RES. & MINING	13,200	10,200	3,000	29.4	12,200
MANUFACTURING	26,900	25,800	1,100	4.3	27,000
Durable Goods.....	21,400	20,700	700	3.4	21,500
SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES	332,600	291,500	41,100	14.1	327,600
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, UTILITIES	62,300	51,500	10,800	21.0	62,400
Wholesale Trade.....	11,800	11,200	600	5.4	11,900
Retail Trade.....	41,800	33,600	8,200	24.4	41,600
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities....	8,700	6,700	2,000	29.9	8,900
INFORMATION	11,400	11,400	0	0.0	11,200
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	35,500	35,400	100	0.3	35,600
Finance and Insurance.....	29,600	29,800	-200	-0.7	29,700
Credit Intermediation and Related.....	7,500	7,800	-300	-3.8	7,500
Financial Investments and Related.....	15,500	15,500	0	0.0	15,500
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	62,500	59,700	2,800	4.7	60,200
Professional, Scientific.....	28,300	28,100	200	0.7	27,800
Administrative and Support.....	23,500	21,400	2,100	9.8	22,400
EDUCATION AND HEALTH SERVICES	71,400	64,200	7,200	11.2	71,100
Health Care and Social Assistance.....	59,300	53,000	6,300	11.9	59,200
LEISURE AND HOSPITALITY	33,000	18,300	14,700	80.3	31,600
Accommodation and Food Services.....	25,700	14,100	11,600	82.3	25,300
OTHER SERVICES	16,000	10,300	5,700	55.3	15,600
GOVERNMENT	40,500	40,700	-200	-0.5	39,900
Federal.....	2,500	2,400	100	4.2	2,400
State & Local.....	38,000	38,300	-300	-0.8	37,500

DANBURY LMA



Not Seasonally Adjusted

	Apr 2021	Apr 2020	CHANGE		Mar 2021
			NO.	%	
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT	72,200	61,700	10,500	17.0	71,300
TOTAL PRIVATE	62,800	51,900	10,900	21.0	61,900
GOODS PRODUCING INDUSTRIES	11,600	10,600	1,000	9.4	11,300
SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES	60,600	51,100	9,500	18.6	60,000
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, UTILITIES	15,500	12,600	2,900	23.0	15,800
Retail Trade.....	11,400	8,700	2,700	31.0	11,600
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	8,900	8,500	400	4.7	8,600
LEISURE AND HOSPITALITY	6,100	3,200	2,900	90.6	5,900
GOVERNMENT	9,400	9,800	-400	-4.1	9,400
Federal.....	700	800	-100	-12.5	700
State & Local.....	8,700	9,000	-300	-3.3	8,700

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HARTFORD LMA*Not Seasonally Adjusted*

	Apr	Apr	CHANGE		Mar
	2021	2020	NO.	%	2021
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT	547,800	498,600	49,200	9.9	544,900
TOTAL PRIVATE	455,700	408,200	47,500	11.6	453,300
GOODS PRODUCING INDUSTRIES	72,000	71,900	100	0.1	72,000
CONSTRUCTION, NAT. RES. & MINING	17,700	16,800	900	5.4	17,300
MANUFACTURING	54,300	55,100	-800	-1.5	54,700
Durable Goods.....	44,900	46,500	-1,600	-3.4	45,400
Non-Durable Goods.....	9,400	8,600	800	9.3	9,300
SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES	475,800	426,700	49,100	11.5	472,900
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, UTILITIES	87,900	72,200	15,700	21.7	89,100
Wholesale Trade.....	15,400	15,400	0	0.0	15,400
Retail Trade.....	49,300	39,900	9,400	23.6	49,500
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities....	23,200	16,900	6,300	37.3	24,200
Transportation and Warehousing.....	22,500	16,200	6,300	38.9	23,500
INFORMATION	8,600	9,000	-400	-4.4	8,400
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	52,700	54,600	-1,900	-3.5	53,700
Depository Credit Institutions.....	5,300	5,600	-300	-5.4	5,400
Insurance Carriers & Related Activities....	37,200	38,100	-900	-2.4	37,400
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	70,200	67,700	2,500	3.7	68,500
Professional, Scientific.....	35,000	33,000	2,000	6.1	34,500
Management of Companies.....	12,400	12,000	400	3.3	12,300
Administrative and Support.....	22,800	22,700	100	0.4	21,700
EDUCATION AND HEALTH SERVICES	105,700	98,100	7,600	7.7	105,300
Educational Services.....	13,500	12,500	1,000	8.0	13,100
Health Care and Social Assistance.....	92,200	85,600	6,600	7.7	92,200
Ambulatory Health Care.....	31,200	26,100	5,100	19.5	31,300
LEISURE AND HOSPITALITY	37,900	18,600	19,300	103.8	35,700
Accommodation and Food Services.....	33,500	16,300	17,200	105.5	31,800
OTHER SERVICES	20,700	16,100	4,600	28.6	20,600
GOVERNMENT	92,100	90,400	1,700	1.9	91,600
Federal.....	5,500	5,500	0	0.0	5,300
State & Local.....	86,600	84,900	1,700	2.0	86,300

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT*Seasonally Adjusted*

Labor Market Areas	Apr	Apr	CHANGE		Mar
	2021	2020	NO.	%	2021
BRIDGEPORT-STAMFORD LMA	374,400	330,400	44,000	13.3	374,300
DANBURY LMA	72,400	62,000	10,400	16.8	72,000
HARTFORD LMA	548,600	497,500	51,100	10.3	548,400
NEW HAVEN LMA	283,600	248,000	35,600	14.4	287,400
NORWICH-NEW LONDON LMA	114,200	93,400	20,800	22.3	115,200
WATERBURY LMA	64,900	55,600	9,300	16.7	65,100
ENFIELD LMA**	41,100	37,100	4,000	10.8	42,600
TORRINGTON-NORTHWEST LMA**	30,200	27,800	2,400	8.6	31,100
DANIELSON-NORTHEAST LMA**	25,300	22,900	2,400	10.5	26,100

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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

	Apr	Apr	CHANGE		Mar
	2021	2020	NO.	%	2021
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT	284,000	248,500	35,500	14.3	281,500
TOTAL PRIVATE	247,200	214,500	32,700	15.2	244,500
GOODS PRODUCING INDUSTRIES	33,400	31,000	2,400	7.7	32,700
CONSTRUCTION, NAT. RES. & MINING	10,100	8,900	1,200	13.5	9,500
MANUFACTURING	23,300	22,100	1,200	5.4	23,200
Durable Goods.....	16,800	16,700	100	0.6	16,900
SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES	250,600	217,500	33,100	15.2	248,800
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, UTILITIES	55,600	44,400	11,200	25.2	55,100
Wholesale Trade.....	10,700	10,100	600	5.9	10,700
Retail Trade.....	26,400	21,200	5,200	24.5	25,800
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities....	18,500	13,100	5,400	41.2	18,600
INFORMATION	3,700	3,700	0	0.0	3,500
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	11,600	11,500	100	0.9	11,600
Finance and Insurance.....	7,900	8,000	-100	-1.3	7,900
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	31,300	27,300	4,000	14.7	30,600
Administrative and Support.....	15,300	13,800	1,500	10.9	14,800
EDUCATION AND HEALTH SERVICES	81,600	78,600	3,000	3.8	82,000
Educational Services.....	31,000	31,600	-600	-1.9	31,900
Health Care and Social Assistance.....	50,600	47,000	3,600	7.7	50,100
LEISURE AND HOSPITALITY	19,900	10,500	9,400	89.5	19,000
Accommodation and Food Services.....	16,400	8,800	7,600	86.4	16,200
OTHER SERVICES	10,100	7,500	2,600	34.7	10,000
GOVERNMENT	36,800	34,000	2,800	8.2	37,000
Federal.....	5,000	4,900	100	2.0	5,000
State & Local.....	31,800	29,100	2,700	9.3	32,000

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Connecticut HWOL: April 2021

Labor Market Area	Apr. 2021 Total Ads	Industry Sector With Most Ads	Ads	Occupation With Most Ads	Ads
Hartford-West Hartford-East Hartford	29,320	Health Care and Social Assistance	5,413	Registered Nurses	1,197
Bridgeport-Stamford-Norwalk	17,574	Health Care and Social Assistance	2,786	Retail Salespersons	578
New Haven	10,440	Health Care and Social Assistance	2,035	Registered Nurses	508
Norwich-New London	4,330	Health Care and Social Assistance	869	Retail Salespersons	219
Danbury	2,921	Retail Trade	576	Retail Salespersons	184
Waterbury	2,738	Health Care and Social Assistance	697	Registered Nurses	147
Enfield	1,648	Retail Trade	242	Retail Salespersons	69
Torrington	1,454	Health Care and Social Assistance	324	Registered Nurses	63
Danielson-Northeast	1,139	Health Care and Social Assistance	239	Laborers & Freight, Stock & Material Movers	54

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*

	Apr 2021	Apr 2020	CHANGE		Mar 2021
			NO.	%	
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT	113,000	92,400	20,600	22.3	112,700
TOTAL PRIVATE	89,700	74,400	15,300	20.6	88,500
GOODS PRODUCING INDUSTRIES	21,800	20,000	1,800	9.0	21,700
CONSTRUCTION, NAT. RES. & MINING	3,900	3,400	500	14.7	3,700
MANUFACTURING	17,900	16,600	1,300	7.8	18,000
Durable Goods.....	14,700	13,600	1,100	8.1	14,700
Non-Durable Goods.....	3,200	3,000	200	6.7	3,300
SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES	91,200	72,400	18,800	26.0	91,000
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, UTILITIES	20,200	16,400	3,800	23.2	20,200
Wholesale Trade.....	2,100	2,000	100	5.0	2,100
Retail Trade.....	14,200	11,300	2,900	25.7	14,100
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities.....	3,900	3,100	800	25.8	4,000
INFORMATION	1,200	1,300	-100	-7.7	1,200
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	2,600	2,600	0	0.0	2,600
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	9,000	8,100	900	11.1	8,700
EDUCATION AND HEALTH SERVICES	19,600	18,400	1,200	6.5	19,800
Health Care and Social Assistance.....	17,000	15,800	1,200	7.6	17,100
LEISURE AND HOSPITALITY	12,500	5,700	6,800	119.3	11,500
Accommodation and Food Services.....	11,100	4,700	6,400	136.2	10,200
Food Serv., Restaurants, Drinking Places.....	9,500	4,100	5,400	131.7	9,000
OTHER SERVICES	2,800	1,900	900	47.4	2,800
GOVERNMENT	23,300	18,000	5,300	29.4	24,200
Federal.....	2,900	2,900	0	0.0	2,900
State & Local**.....	20,400	15,100	5,300	35.1	21,300

WATERBURY LMA*Not Seasonally Adjusted*

	Apr 2021	Apr 2020	CHANGE		Mar 2021
			NO.	%	
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT	64,800	55,500	9,300	16.8	64,300
TOTAL PRIVATE	54,000	45,100	8,900	19.7	53,300
GOODS PRODUCING INDUSTRIES	10,000	8,700	1,300	14.9	9,500
CONSTRUCTION, NAT. RES. & MINING	3,100	2,400	700	29.2	2,600
MANUFACTURING	6,900	6,300	600	9.5	6,900
SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES	54,800	46,800	8,000	17.1	54,800
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, UTILITIES	12,200	10,000	2,200	22.0	12,400
Wholesale Trade.....	1,800	1,700	100	5.9	1,800
Retail Trade.....	8,500	6,800	1,700	25.0	8,600
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities.....	1,900	1,500	400	26.7	2,000
INFORMATION	500	500	0	0.0	500
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	2,000	1,800	200	11.1	2,000
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	5,200	4,100	1,100	26.8	5,100
EDUCATION AND HEALTH SERVICES	16,900	15,600	1,300	8.3	16,900
Health Care and Social Assistance.....	14,600	13,800	800	5.8	14,600
LEISURE AND HOSPITALITY	5,000	2,800	2,200	78.6	4,700
OTHER SERVICES	2,200	1,600	600	37.5	2,200
GOVERNMENT	10,800	10,400	400	3.8	11,000
Federal.....	400	500	-100	-20.0	400
State & Local.....	10,400	9,900	500	5.1	10,600

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SMALLER LMAS*



Not Seasonally Adjusted

	Apr 2021	Apr 2020	CHANGE		Mar 2021
			NO.	%	
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT					
ENFIELD LMA.....	41,400	37,400	4,000	10.7	42,100
TORRINGTON-NORTHWEST LMA.....	29,900	27,400	2,500	9.1	30,200
DANIELSON-NORTHEAST LMA.....	25,200	22,800	2,400	10.5	25,600

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

* State-designated Non-CES areas

SPRINGFIELD, MA-CT NECTA**

Not Seasonally Adjusted

	Apr 2021	Apr 2020	CHANGE		Mar 2021
			NO.	%	
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT.....	311,300	278,200	33,100	11.9	304,100
TOTAL PRIVATE.....	250,600	217,600	33,000	15.2	244,100
GOODS PRODUCING INDUSTRIES.....	41,300	35,800	5,500	15.4	39,500
CONSTRUCTION, NAT. RES. & MINING.....	12,100	9,300	2,800	30.1	10,600
MANUFACTURING.....	29,200	26,500	2,700	10.2	28,900
Durable Goods.....	19,700	17,600	2,100	11.9	19,800
Non-Durable Goods.....	9,500	8,900	600	6.7	9,100
SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES.....	270,000	242,400	27,600	11.4	264,600
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, UTILITIES.....	56,500	49,000	7,500	15.3	56,300
Wholesale Trade.....	11,200	10,500	700	6.7	11,100
Retail Trade.....	31,700	25,600	6,100	23.8	31,700
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities....	13,600	12,900	700	5.4	13,500
INFORMATION.....	2,600	2,700	-100	-3.7	2,600
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES.....	15,000	14,700	300	2.0	14,900
Finance and Insurance.....	12,000	12,000	0	0.0	12,000
Insurance Carriers & Related Activities....	8,400	8,400	0	0.0	8,400
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	25,700	21,800	3,900	17.9	23,600
EDUCATION AND HEALTH SERVICES.....	75,200	72,000	3,200	4.4	74,800
Educational Services.....	12,600	13,300	-700	-5.3	12,500
Health Care and Social Assistance.....	62,600	58,700	3,900	6.6	62,300
LEISURE AND HOSPITALITY.....	24,000	12,900	11,100	86.0	22,300
OTHER SERVICES.....	10,300	8,700	1,600	18.4	10,100
GOVERNMENT.....	60,700	60,600	100	0.2	60,000
Federal.....	6,200	6,000	200	3.3	6,100
State & Local.....	54,500	54,600	-100	-0.2	53,900

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** New England City and Town Area

<i>(Not seasonally adjusted)</i>	EMPLOYMENT STATUS	Apr	Apr	CHANGE		Mar
		2021	2020	NO.	%	2021
CONNECTICUT	Civilian Labor Force	1,740,500	1,805,100	-64,600	-3.6	1,723,500
	Employed	1,608,600	1,654,000	-45,400	-2.7	1,581,400
	Unemployed	131,900	151,100	-19,200	-12.7	142,100
	Unemployment Rate	7.6	8.4	-0.8	---	8.2
BRIDGEPORT-STAMFORD LMA	Civilian Labor Force	420,800	432,800	-12,000	-2.8	415,200
	Employed	389,100	396,900	-7,800	-2.0	380,400
	Unemployed	31,700	35,900	-4,200	-11.7	34,800
	Unemployment Rate	7.5	8.3	-0.8	---	8.4
DANBURY LMA	Civilian Labor Force	96,400	98,600	-2,200	-2.2	95,200
	Employed	90,100	90,400	-300	-0.3	88,200
	Unemployed	6,300	8,100	-1,800	-22.2	6,900
	Unemployment Rate	6.6	8.3	-1.7	---	7.3
DANIELSON-NORTHEAST LMA	Civilian Labor Force	39,000	41,700	-2,700	-6.5	38,600
	Employed	36,300	38,100	-1,800	-4.7	35,600
	Unemployed	2,700	3,500	-800	-22.9	3,100
	Unemployment Rate	6.9	8.5	-1.6	---	7.9
ENFIELD LMA	Civilian Labor Force	45,100	47,500	-2,400	-5.1	44,200
	Employed	42,000	43,700	-1,700	-3.9	40,800
	Unemployed	3,100	3,800	-700	-18.4	3,400
	Unemployment Rate	6.9	8.0	-1.1	---	7.7
HARTFORD LMA	Civilian Labor Force	575,000	605,800	-30,800	-5.1	570,200
	Employed	531,000	557,700	-26,700	-4.8	523,500
	Unemployed	44,000	48,100	-4,100	-8.5	46,600
	Unemployment Rate	7.7	7.9	-0.2	---	8.2
NEW HAVEN LMA	Civilian Labor Force	308,500	316,000	-7,500	-2.4	304,900
	Employed	286,500	292,500	-6,000	-2.1	281,600
	Unemployed	22,000	23,600	-1,600	-6.8	23,300
	Unemployment Rate	7.1	7.5	-0.4	---	7.6
NORWICH-NEW LONDON LMA	Civilian Labor Force	125,400	127,500	-2,100	-1.6	125,300
	Employed	114,900	109,500	5,400	4.9	113,800
	Unemployed	10,500	18,000	-7,500	-41.7	11,500
	Unemployment Rate	8.3	14.1	-5.8	---	9.2
TORRINGTON-NORTHWEST LMA	Civilian Labor Force	41,200	44,900	-3,700	-8.2	41,900
	Employed	38,300	41,600	-3,300	-7.9	38,500
	Unemployed	3,000	3,300	-300	-9.1	3,400
	Unemployment Rate	7.2	7.3	-0.1	---	8.2
WATERBURY LMA	Civilian Labor Force	103,700	105,200	-1,500	-1.4	103,000
	Employed	94,200	95,300	-1,100	-1.2	92,700
	Unemployed	9,500	9,900	-400	-4.0	10,300
	Unemployment Rate	9.1	9.4	-0.3	---	10.0
UNITED STATES	Civilian Labor Force	160,379,000	155,830,000	4,549,000	2.9	160,397,000
	Employed	151,160,000	133,326,000	17,834,000	13.4	150,493,000
	Unemployed	9,220,000	22,504,000	-13,284,000	-59.0	9,905,000
	Unemployment Rate	5.7	14.4	-8.7	---	6.2

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	AVG WEEKLY EARNINGS				AVG WEEKLY HOURS				AVG HOURLY EARNINGS			
	Apr		CHG Y/Y	Mar 2021	Apr		CHG Y/Y	Mar 2021	Apr		CHG Y/Y	Mar 2021
	2021	2020			2021	2020			2021	2020		
<i>(Not seasonally adjusted)</i>												
PRODUCTION WORKER												
MANUFACTURING	\$1,094.50	\$1,167.77	-\$73.27	\$1,099.30	39.8	39.2	0.6	39.6	\$27.50	\$29.79	-\$2.29	\$27.76
DURABLE GOODS	1,170.52	1,241.03	-70.51	1,171.55	40.1	39.1	1.0	39.7	29.19	31.74	-2.55	29.51
NON-DUR. GOODS	854.10	923.82	-69.72	866.41	39.0	39.7	-0.7	39.4	21.90	23.27	-1.37	21.99
CONSTRUCTION	1,373.96	1,250.64	123.32	1,407.51	39.2	37.1	2.1	40.1	35.05	33.71	1.34	35.10
ALL EMPLOYEES												
STATEWIDE												
TOTAL PRIVATE	1,152.20	1,192.48	-40.28	1,145.70	34.2	34.1	0.1	34.2	33.69	34.97	-1.28	33.50
GOODS PRODUCING	1,382.54	1,378.56	3.97	1,393.47	38.5	37.4	1.1	39.0	35.91	36.86	-0.95	35.73
Construction	1,401.00	1,342.14	58.86	1,422.72	37.5	35.8	1.7	38.4	37.36	37.49	-0.13	37.05
Manufacturing	1,361.50	1,409.88	-48.38	1,362.53	38.9	37.9	1.0	39.3	35.00	37.20	-2.20	34.67
SERVICE PROVIDING	1,109.55	1,153.97	-44.42	1,099.90	33.4	33.4	0.0	33.3	33.22	34.55	-1.33	33.03
Trade, Transp., Utilities	985.15	1,057.08	-71.93	949.52	33.6	34.5	-0.9	33.2	29.32	30.64	-1.32	28.60
Financial Activities	1,958.97	1,883.28	75.69	1,948.14	39.0	37.3	1.7	38.6	50.23	50.49	-0.26	50.47
Prof. & Business Serv.	1,286.33	1,316.83	-30.50	1,296.27	35.3	34.8	0.5	35.7	36.44	37.84	-1.40	36.31
Education & Health Ser.	1,066.13	1,000.65	65.48	1,057.39	33.4	33.5	-0.1	33.6	31.92	29.87	2.05	31.47
Leisure & Hospitality	496.65	498.73	-2.08	477.50	25.8	24.8	1.0	25.0	19.25	20.11	-0.86	19.10
Other Services	789.98	822.65	-32.67	816.45	29.4	30.2	-0.8	29.7	26.87	27.24	-0.37	27.49
LABOR MARKET AREAS: TOTAL PRIVATE												
Bridgeport-Stamford	1,274.26	1,282.56	-8.30	1,276.02	33.8	33.4	0.4	34.0	37.70	38.40	-0.70	37.53
Danbury	1,044.13	1,130.65	-86.53	1,026.72	34.2	34.2	0.0	34.5	30.53	33.06	-2.53	29.76
Hartford	1,212.80	1,228.03	-15.23	1,198.44	35.4	34.7	0.7	35.3	34.26	35.39	-1.13	33.95
New Haven	1,129.89	1,113.95	15.93	1,132.70	33.9	33.9	0.0	34.2	33.33	32.86	0.47	33.12
Norwich-New London	908.04	931.48	-23.44	888.41	32.9	31.9	1.0	32.4	27.60	29.20	-1.60	27.42
Waterbury	913.19	1,001.41	-88.22	907.49	31.5	33.9	-2.4	30.7	28.99	29.54	-0.55	29.56

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

BUSINESS AND EMPLOYMENT CHANGES ANNOUNCED IN THE NEWS MEDIA

New Companies and Expansions

- Want to work at BJ's? The retailer is looking to hire 140 new employees in Connecticut
- Snack maker Frito-Lay is looking to add two Cheetos production lines in a \$235 million project in Killingly that would create 120 jobs
- Cancer biotech Arvinas Inc. to lease 3 floors in new 101 College bioscience tower
- FedEx Ground is looking for 600 workers in Hartford as it tries to keep up with rising e-commerce
- UPS inks major lease for new construction in Windsor's New England Tradeport
- Looking for a job at Electric Boat? The submarine manufacturer is looking for more than 2,000 workers
- Glastonbury approves Amazon logistics 'delivery station' at former Nabisco warehouse

Layoffs and Closures

- Pratt & Whitney says jobs lost in the pandemic will not be coming back when sales return to 2019 levels

(By Place of Residence - Not Seasonally Adjusted)

APRIL 2021

LMA/TOWNS	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYED	UNEMPLOYED	%	LMA/TOWNS	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYED	UNEMPLOYED	%
BRIDGEPORT-STAMFORD					HARTFORD cont...				
	420,754	389,052	31,702	7.5	Canton	5,223	4,925	298	5.7
Ansonia	8,595	7,607	988	11.5	Chaplin	1,175	1,066	109	9.3
Bridgeport	64,286	56,443	7,843	12.2	Colchester	8,538	8,031	507	5.9
Darien	7,662	7,283	379	4.9	Columbia	2,931	2,779	152	5.2
Derby	6,114	5,495	619	10.1	Coventry	7,145	6,747	398	5.6
Easton	3,423	3,240	183	5.3	Cromwell	7,260	6,806	454	6.3
Fairfield	26,334	24,829	1,505	5.7	East Granby	2,814	2,652	162	5.8
Greenwich	25,776	24,488	1,288	5.0	East Haddam	4,586	4,302	284	6.2
Milford	27,698	25,765	1,933	7.0	East Hampton	7,063	6,634	429	6.1
Monroe	9,014	8,433	581	6.4	East Hartford	25,652	22,857	2,795	10.9
New Canaan	7,423	7,066	357	4.8	Ellington	8,758	8,288	470	5.4
Norwalk	45,925	42,724	3,201	7.0	Farmington	12,971	12,275	696	5.4
Oxford	6,584	6,172	412	6.3	Glastonbury	17,299	16,465	834	4.8
Redding	3,942	3,722	220	5.6	Granby	6,351	6,012	339	5.3
Ridgefield	10,494	9,962	532	5.1	Haddam	4,625	4,359	266	5.8
Seymour	8,073	7,474	599	7.4	Hartford	50,654	43,615	7,039	13.9
Shelton	19,987	18,497	1,490	7.5	Hartland	1,051	993	58	5.5
Southbury	7,886	7,321	565	7.2	Harwinton	2,900	2,765	135	4.7
Stamford	63,457	59,204	4,253	6.7	Hebron	5,089	4,790	299	5.9
Stratford	24,917	22,598	2,319	9.3	Lebanon	3,712	3,468	244	6.6
Trumbull	16,026	14,951	1,075	6.7	Manchester	30,553	28,105	2,448	8.0
Weston	3,894	3,664	230	5.9	Mansfield	11,239	10,693	546	4.9
Westport	11,502	10,951	551	4.8	Marlborough	3,268	3,089	179	5.5
Wilton	7,477	7,090	387	5.2	Middletown	24,029	22,296	1,733	7.2
Woodbridge	4,269	4,074	195	4.6	New Britain	34,895	30,783	4,112	11.8
					New Hartford	3,614	3,416	198	5.5
DANBURY	96,434	90,099	6,335	6.6	Newington	15,853	14,749	1,104	7.0
Bethel	9,887	9,250	637	6.4	Plainville	9,672	8,920	752	7.8
Bridgewater	751	708	43	5.7	Plymouth	6,073	5,613	460	7.6
Brookfield	8,398	7,858	540	6.4	Portland	4,980	4,685	295	5.9
Danbury	42,761	39,919	2,842	6.6	Rocky Hill	10,648	10,051	597	5.6
New Fairfield	6,402	6,008	394	6.2	Scotland	883	822	61	6.9
New Milford	13,762	12,752	1,010	7.3	Simsbury	12,707	12,075	632	5.0
Newtown	12,788	12,014	774	6.1	Southington	22,633	21,225	1,408	6.2
Sherman	1,684	1,589	95	5.6	South Windsor	13,182	12,420	762	5.8
					Stafford	6,294	5,890	404	6.4
ENFIELD	45,099	41,986	3,113	6.9	Thomaston	4,356	4,047	309	7.1
East Windsor	6,121	5,641	480	7.8	Tolland	7,790	7,393	397	5.1
Enfield	20,692	19,210	1,482	7.2	Union	422	402	20	4.7
Somers	4,458	4,229	229	5.1	Vernon	16,100	14,938	1,162	7.2
Suffield	6,882	6,491	391	5.7	West Hartford	31,574	29,874	1,700	5.4
Windsor Locks	6,946	6,415	531	7.6	Wethersfield	12,878	12,018	860	6.7
					Willington	3,347	3,147	200	6.0
HARTFORD	574,991	530,960	44,031	7.7	Windham	11,491	10,416	1,075	9.4
Andover	1,785	1,671	114	6.4	Windsor	15,372	14,168	1,204	7.8
Ashford	2,352	2,215	137	5.8					
Avon	8,556	8,157	399	4.7					
Barkhamsted	2,103	1,965	138	6.6					
Berlin	10,788	10,143	645	6.0					
Bloomfield	11,000	10,045	955	8.7					
Bolton	2,891	2,736	155	5.4					
Bristol	30,628	28,032	2,596	8.5					
Burlington	5,240	4,931	309	5.9					

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)

APRIL 2021

LMA/TOWNS	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYED	UNEMPLOYED	%
NEW HAVEN	308,466	286,513	21,953	7.1
Bethany	2,960	2,812	148	5.0
Branford	15,201	14,224	977	6.4
Cheshire	14,589	13,914	675	4.6
Chester	2,207	2,088	119	5.4
Clinton	6,881	6,480	401	5.8
Deep River	2,679	2,542	137	5.1
Durham	3,994	3,821	173	4.3
East Haven	15,068	13,793	1,275	8.5
Essex	3,201	3,049	152	4.7
Guilford	12,114	11,531	583	4.8
Hamden	33,105	31,114	1,991	6.0
Killingworth	3,610	3,411	199	5.5
Madison	8,520	8,084	436	5.1
Meriden	30,912	27,957	2,955	9.6
Middlefield	2,374	2,241	133	5.6
New Haven	62,100	56,356	5,744	9.2
North Branford	7,741	7,287	454	5.9
North Haven	12,689	11,910	779	6.1
Old Saybrook	4,840	4,523	317	6.5
Orange	6,857	6,522	335	4.9
Wallingford	24,670	23,212	1,458	5.9
West Haven	28,692	26,406	2,286	8.0
Westbrook	3,466	3,237	229	6.6

*NORWICH-NEW LONDON-WESTERLY, CT PART				
	110,796	101,170	9,626	8.7
Bozrah	1,315	1,250	65	4.9
Canterbury	2,533	2,359	174	6.9
East Lyme	7,505	6,927	578	7.7
Franklin	925	864	61	6.6
Griswold	5,523	5,027	496	9.0
Groton	16,099	14,784	1,315	8.2
Ledyard	6,962	6,438	524	7.5
Lisbon	2,066	1,885	181	8.8
Lyme	1,041	984	57	5.5
Montville	7,962	7,335	627	7.9
New London	10,970	9,563	1,407	12.8
No. Stonington	2,542	2,371	171	6.7
Norwich	18,131	16,073	2,058	11.4
Old Lyme	3,226	3,020	206	6.4
Preston	2,119	1,952	167	7.9
Salem	1,842	1,717	125	6.8
Sprague	1,416	1,280	136	9.6
Stonington	8,523	8,006	517	6.1
Voluntown	1,275	1,183	92	7.2
Waterford	8,817	8,149	668	7.6

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

NORWICH-NEW LONDON-WESTERLY, CT-RI				
	125,406	114,941	10,465	8.3
RI part (Hopkinton and Westerly)	14,610	13,771	839	5.7

LMA/TOWNS	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYED	UNEMPLOYED	%
TORRINGTON-NORTHWEST				
	41,246	38,291	2,955	7.2
Canaan	560	528	32	5.7
Colebrook	719	674	45	6.3
Cornwall	670	632	38	5.7
Goshen	1,412	1,344	68	4.8
Kent	1,284	1,230	54	4.2
Litchfield	4,197	3,920	277	6.6
Morris	1,225	1,162	63	5.1
Norfolk	776	739	37	4.8
North Canaan	1,532	1,438	94	6.1
Roxbury	1,170	1,095	75	6.4
Salisbury	1,576	1,501	75	4.8
Sharon	1,279	1,228	51	4.0
Torrington	16,971	15,481	1,490	8.8
Warren	695	649	46	6.6
Washington	1,798	1,699	99	5.5
Winchester	5,381	4,971	410	7.6

WATERBURY				
	103,704	94,226	9,478	9.1
Beacon Falls	3,284	3,062	222	6.8
Bethlehem	1,776	1,668	108	6.1
Middlebury	3,640	3,452	188	5.2
Naugatuck	15,984	14,669	1,315	8.2
Prospect	5,137	4,849	288	5.6
Waterbury	47,802	42,063	5,739	12.0
Watertown	11,898	11,138	760	6.4
Wolcott	9,104	8,549	555	6.1
Woodbury	5,080	4,777	303	6.0

DANIELSON-NORTHEAST				
	38,978	36,300	2,678	6.9
Brooklyn	3,708	3,471	237	6.4
Eastford	878	834	44	5.0
Hampton	936	874	62	6.6
Killingly	8,784	8,073	711	8.1
Plainfield	7,774	7,216	558	7.2
Pomfret	2,252	2,135	117	5.2
Putnam	4,354	4,035	319	7.3
Sterling	1,816	1,693	123	6.8
Thompson	4,746	4,445	301	6.3
Woodstock	3,728	3,523	205	5.5

Not Seasonally Adjusted:				
CONNECTICUT	1,740,500	1,608,600	131,900	7.6
UNITED STATES	160,379,000	151,160,000	9,220,000	5.7
Seasonally Adjusted:				
CONNECTICUT	1,741,800	1,601,200	140,500	8.1
UNITED STATES	160,988,000	151,176,000	9,812,000	6.1

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	APR 2021	YR TO DATE 2021	2020	TOWN	APR 2021	YR TO DATE 2021	2020	TOWN	APR 2021	YR TO DATE 2021	2020
Andover	0	2	1	Griswold	7	8	6	Preston	2	7	6
Ansonia	na	na	na	Groton	na	na	na	Prospect	0	0	7
Ashford	na	na	na	Guilford	na	na	na	Putnam	na	na	na
Avon	1	4	3	Haddam	0	5	2	Redding	1	4	0
Barkhamsted	na	na	na	Hamden	na	na	na	Ridgefield	3	5	1
Beacon Falls	na	na	na	Hampton	na	na	na	Rocky Hill	0	1	4
Berlin	7	11	4	Hartford	1	3	3	Roxbury	na	na	na
Bethany	na	na	na	Hartland	0	0	0	Salem	na	na	na
Bethel	10	39	22	Harwinton	na	na	na	Salisbury	na	na	na
Bethlehem	na	na	na	Hebron	2	6	4	Scotland	na	na	na
Bloomfield	2	12	8	Kent	1	3	3	Seymour	na	na	na
Bolton	1	3	0	Killingly	na	na	na	Sharon	na	na	na
Bozrah	na	na	na	Killingworth	0	0	2	Shelton	41	50	74
Branford	5	17	8	Lebanon	0	2	5	Sherman	0	3	0
Bridgeport	4	15	8	Ledyard	na	na	na	Simsbury	1	14	53
Bridgewater	0	0	0	Lisbon	na	na	na	Somers	1	6	1
Bristol	10	25	14	Litchfield	na	na	na	South Windsor	1	7	15
Brookfield	1	8	2	Lyme	0	0	1	Southbury	na	na	na
Brooklyn	1	2	8	Madison	na	na	na	Southington	19	47	20
Burlington	4	12	14	Manchester	2	7	18	Sprague	1	1	0
Canaan	na	na	na	Mansfield	2	4	0	Stafford	2	6	1
Canterbury	na	na	na	Marlborough	0	0	0	Stamford	0	34	49
Canton	0	2	5	Meriden	na	na	na	Sterling	na	na	na
Chaplin	na	na	na	Middlebury	na	na	na	Stonington	na	na	na
Cheshire	4	14	5	Middlefield	1	2	2	Stratford	3	20	13
Chester	0	1	0	Middletown	2	7	4	Suffield	4	15	6
Clinton	3	7	6	Milford	16	65	50	Thomaston	na	na	na
Colchester	3	5	9	Monroe	0	5	2	Thompson	na	na	na
Colebrook	na	na	na	Montville	na	na	na	Tolland	1	6	2
Columbia	0	0	1	Morris	na	na	na	Torrington	na	na	na
Cornwall	na	na	na	Naugatuck	na	na	na	Trumbull	44	46	1
Coventry	1	5	6	New Britain	2	4	1	Union	0	3	0
Cromwell	1	4	3	New Canaan	2	10	4	Vernon	12	27	24
Danbury	6	20	40	New Fairfield	1	2	1	Voluntown	3	4	1
Darien	3	147	7	New Hartford	na	na	na	Wallingford	3	10	6
Deep River	1	1	1	New Haven	158	160	381	Warren	na	na	na
Derby	na	na	na	New London	4	16	10	Washington	na	na	na
Durham	0	0	0	New Milford	na	na	na	Waterbury	0	4	5
East Granby	2	7	1	Newington	0	0	2	Waterford	na	na	na
East Haddam	1	3	2	Newtown	7	28	21	Watertown	na	na	na
East Hampton	2	7	5	Norfolk	na	na	na	West Hartford	8	36	27
East Hartford	0	2	2	North Branford	na	na	na	West Haven	na	na	na
East Haven	na	na	na	North Canaan	na	na	na	Westbrook	2	5	3
East Lyme	1	12	31	North Haven	na	na	na	Weston	1	4	3
East Windsor	2	3	12	North Stonington	na	na	na	Westport	7	24	8
Eastford	na	na	na	Norwalk	12	47	8	Wethersfield	0	0	1
Easton	2	4	3	Norwich	2	2	1	Willington	0	4	1
Ellington	11	46	32	Old Lyme	na	na	na	Wilton	0	1	1
Enfield	1	18	22	Old Saybrook	2	5	5	Winchester	na	na	na
Essex	1	1	2	Orange	na	na	na	Windham	0	1	2
Fairfield	3	49	109	Oxford	5	12	8	Windsor	2	10	4
Farmington	12	18	5	Plainfield	na	na	na	Windsor Locks	0	0	0
Franklin	na	na	na	Plainville	2	5	3	Wolcott	3	9	6
Glastonbury	2	14	12	Plymouth	na	na	na	Woodbridge	na	na	na
Goshen	na	na	na	Pomfret	na	na	na	Woodbury	2	5	14
Granby	0	4	29	Portland	0	1	2	Woodstock	na	na	na
Greenwich	13	57	18								

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.....	-8.3	CT Mfg. Production Index	8.7	Tourism and Travel	
Coincident General Drift Indicator.....	-3.4	Production Worker Hours.....	17.3	Occupancy Rate.....	113.4
Connecticut Real GDP.....	-2.1	Industrial Electricity Sales.....	2.0	Tourism Website Visitors.....	NA
United States Real GDP.....	-2.4	Personal Income	1.8	Air Passenger Count.....	-8.9
New England Real GDP.....	-2.4	UI Covered Wages	-0.5	Gaming Slots.....	NA
Connecticut PCPI.....	2.2	Business Activity		Employment Cost Index (U.S.)	
United States PCPI.....	3.7	New Housing Permits.....	72.1	Total.....	2.8
New England PCPI.....	3.8	Electricity Sales.....	3.8	Wages & Salaries.....	3.0
Phil. Fed's CT Coincident Index....	0.9	Construction Contracts Index.....	55.4	Benefit Costs.....	2.5
Phil. Fed's US Coincident Index...	8.9	New Auto Registrations.....	76.4	Consumer Prices	
		Exports.....	-13.3	U.S. City Average.....	4.2
		S&P 500: Monthly Close.....	43.6	Northeast Region.....	3.3
Total Nonfarm Employment	12.6	Business Starts		NY-Newark-Jersey City.....	3.2
Labor Force.....	-4.6	Secretary of the State.....	106.3	Boston-Cambridge-Newton...	1.3
Employed.....	-4.1	Dept. of Labor.....	9.0	Interest Rates	
Unemployed.....	-10.5	Business Terminations		Prime.....	0.00 *
Unemployment Rate	-0.5 *	Secretary of the State.....	35.0	Conventional Mortgage.....	-0.25 *
Labor Force Participation Rate...	-2.8 *	Dept. of Labor.....	-17.5		
Employment-Population Ratio...	-2.3 *	State Revenues	68.6		
Average Weekly Initial Claims ..	-87.8	Corporate Tax.....	183.2		
Avg Insured Unempl. Rate	-11.00 *	Personal Income Tax.....	68.5		
U-6 Rate	7.1 *	Real Estate Conveyance Tax..	4300.0		
Prod. Worker Avg Wkly Hrs	1.5	Sales & Use Tax.....	40.1		
PW Avg Hourly Earnings	-7.7	Gaming Payments.....	NA		
PW Avg Weekly Earnings	-6.3				

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

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