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Nonfarm Employment

Connecticut 1,647,100

Change over month +0.10%

Change over year +2.96%

United States 151,314,000

Change over month +0.28%

Change over year +4.58%

Unemployment Rate

Connecticut 4.4%

United States 3.6%

Consumer Price Index

United States 289,109

Change over year +8.3%

Job Openings Growth and the Tight Labor Market in Connecticut

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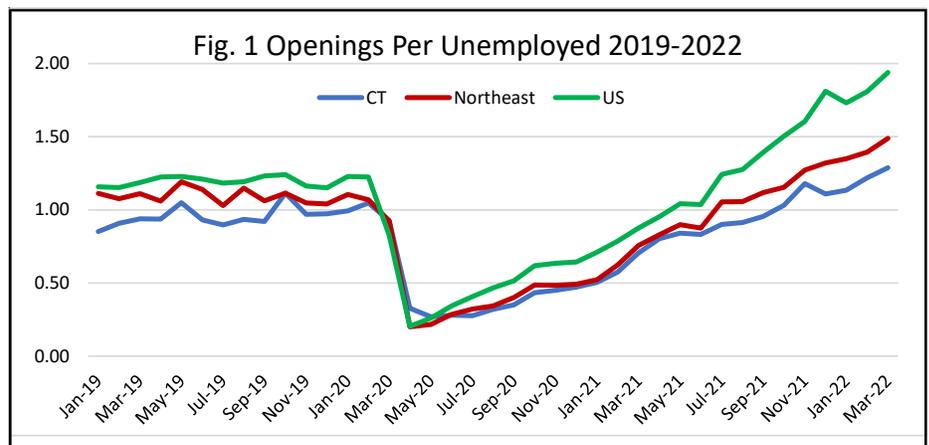
As the global economy recovers from the tumultuous impacts of COVID-19, its continued effect on labor markets is illustrated by a look at the BLS Job Openings and Labor Turnover Survey (JOLTS). The JOLTS survey provides information on labor demand and turnover at the U.S., regional, and most recently at the state levels.¹ This information includes estimates of job openings, new hires, layoffs, quits, and other labor market movements.

In the year before the early 2020 COVID-recession, the economy had a tight labor market. The unemployment rate was below 4% and the U.S. and Northeast both had more openings than unemployed workers throughout the year. **Figure 1** shows the number of job openings per unemployed worker from early 2019 through

March 2022. This ratio experienced an unprecedented decline during early 2020. In February 2020, Connecticut had 1.05 job openings per unemployed worker, a level in line with the Northeast (1.07). The U.S. rate was higher. Two months later, as COVID-related unemployment spiked, there were only 0.33 openings per unemployed worker in Connecticut and 0.20 in both the Northeast and U.S. Put another way, in April 2020, there were three unemployed workers per opening in the state, and five unemployed workers per opening in the Northeast and U.S.

Figure 1 also illustrates how the three areas have recovered in the subsequent two years. As the economy improved, unemployment fell, and businesses looked to expand. The U.S. has experienced an unprecedented spike in job

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2021 Unemployment Rate by Town

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In 2021, the annual average statewide unemployment rate was 6.3%, down from 7.8% in 2020. As the labor force bounced back from the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, all 169 municipalities experienced a decrease in their unemployment rate last year.

2020 to 2021

The unemployment rate in all 169 cities and towns in the state fell in 2021. Cornwall had the lowest unemployment rate of 3.7%, while the residents of Hartford experienced the highest rate of 11.0% last year (see table on page 3 for the complete town data). Overall, a total of 134 cities and towns had jobless rates below the 2021 statewide figure of 6.3%, 31 had rates above it, and 4 had rates equal to it. By comparison, 127 cities and towns had rates below the 2020 statewide average of 7.8%, 39 above it, and 3 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 5.7% in 2021. Hartford posted the highest

jobless rate among the large cities at 11.0%. All five cities experienced over-the-year unemployment rate decreases.

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, the 2020 diffusion index value plunged to -100, as all 169 cities and towns experienced an increase in unemployment rate from the impact of the pandemic. However, the index bounced back completely last year with +100, reflecting a strong labor market recovery (chart). To date, this robust momentum has continued as the statewide unemployment rate continues to fall in first months of 2022. ■

Connecticut Town Unemployment Rate Diffusion Index, 2009-2021

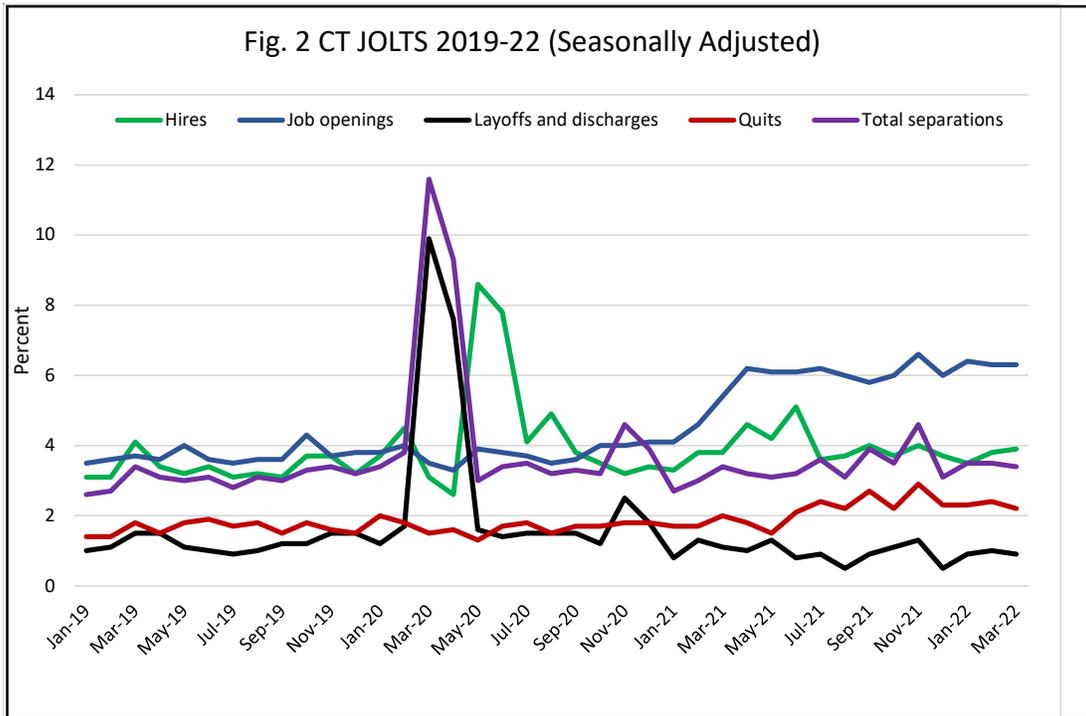


Annual Average Unemployment Rate by Town, 2017-2021

Town/City	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	Town/City	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	Town/City	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Andover	3.5	3.3	3.0	6.6	4.7	Griswold	4.9	4.3	3.9	10.0	7.7	Prospect	3.7	3.4	3.1	5.9	4.8
Ansonia	6.1	5.4	5.0	10.9	9.6	Groton	3.8	3.3	3.0	8.6	6.4	Putnam	5.0	4.5	3.7	8.3	6.4
Ashford	4.1	3.7	3.0	6.0	4.9	Guilford	2.9	2.7	2.4	5.0	3.7	Redding	3.5	2.9	2.8	6.1	4.7
Avon	3.1	2.9	2.3	5.2	4.1	Haddam	3.3	3.0	2.5	5.6	4.4	Ridgefield	3.5	3.0	2.9	5.6	4.6
Barkhamsted	4.3	3.8	3.1	6.1	5.0	Hamden	4.0	3.6	3.2	6.7	5.4	Rocky Hill	3.4	2.9	2.6	5.9	4.7
Beacon Falls	4.1	3.6	3.3	6.6	5.3	Hampton	4.5	3.7	3.2	5.6	5.1	Roxbury	3.0	2.9	2.0	4.6	4.1
Berlin	3.6	3.3	3.0	6.1	5.1	Hartford	7.7	6.7	6.2	13.1	11.0	Salem	4.1	3.5	3.1	8.2	5.7
Bethany	3.6	3.1	2.7	5.6	4.1	Hartland	3.6	3.3	3.2	5.3	4.7	Salisbury	3.4	2.8	2.4	4.6	4.2
Bethel	3.7	3.3	3.1	7.3	5.1	Harwinton	3.4	3.4	2.9	5.3	4.1	Scotland	4.5	3.7	3.3	6.4	5.7
Bethlehem	4.7	3.6	3.4	6.1	5.1	Hebron	3.4	3.0	2.7	5.8	4.8	Seymour	4.5	4.1	3.7	8.0	6.4
Bloomfield	4.9	4.1	3.7	8.0	6.7	Kent	3.8	2.8	2.7	5.3	3.8	Sharon	3.1	2.7	2.2	4.3	3.7
Bolton	3.3	2.7	2.5	5.0	4.6	Killingly	4.8	4.4	3.9	7.8	6.2	Shelton	4.4	4.0	3.5	7.7	6.2
Bozrah	4.0	3.7	3.0	7.8	5.8	Killingworth	2.8	2.5	2.3	5.0	4.3	Sherman	3.6	2.9	2.8	6.3	4.6
Branford	3.9	3.4	3.2	6.8	5.3	Lebanon	4.4	3.6	3.3	6.9	5.9	Simsbury	3.0	2.7	2.4	5.2	4.2
Bridgeport	6.5	5.8	5.2	11.8	9.9	Ledyard	3.5	3.2	2.8	9.1	6.0	Somers	3.9	3.4	3.1	6.5	4.9
Bridgewater	3.6	3.2	3.0	6.2	4.8	Lisbon	4.7	3.8	3.5	8.8	7.0	South Windsor	3.5	3.2	2.9	6.2	4.6
Bristol	4.9	4.4	4.0	8.5	7.1	Litchfield	3.6	3.0	2.9	5.5	4.8	Southbury	4.1	3.7	3.2	7.1	5.7
Brookfield	3.6	3.4	3.1	7.1	5.3	Lyme	3.3	3.0	2.4	5.2	4.7	Southington	3.7	3.4	2.9	6.4	4.9
Brooklyn	4.5	3.9	3.5	7.3	5.6	Madison	3.2	2.9	2.6	5.4	4.3	Sprague	5.0	4.2	3.9	9.4	7.7
Burlington	3.4	3.0	2.7	5.5	4.9	Manchester	4.3	3.9	3.5	8.3	6.4	Stafford	4.4	4.0	3.5	7.0	5.9
Canaan	2.8	2.9	2.1	5.9	4.6	Mansfield	3.9	3.6	3.5	4.8	4.7	Stamford	3.9	3.5	3.1	7.9	5.7
Canterbury	4.2	3.7	3.1	7.2	5.8	Marlborough	3.3	3.1	2.8	5.5	4.6	Sterling	5.5	4.8	4.4	8.0	6.3
Canton	3.3	3.0	2.7	5.6	4.8	Meriden	5.2	4.5	4.2	8.7	7.6	Stonington	3.5	3.2	2.8	7.2	5.2
Chaplin	4.8	4.3	3.6	7.5	6.9	Middlebury	3.9	3.2	2.8	6.2	4.8	Stratford	5.2	4.5	4.1	9.2	7.6
Cheshire	3.1	2.8	2.4	5.1	4.1	Middlefield	3.5	3.1	3.3	6.2	4.8	Suffield	3.7	3.3	3.0	6.1	4.9
Chester	3.4	2.8	2.8	6.1	4.6	Middletown	4.3	3.8	3.4	7.2	6.2	Thomaston	3.7	3.6	3.2	6.5	5.1
Clinton	3.7	3.2	3.0	6.6	4.9	Milford	4.0	3.6	3.2	7.4	5.9	Thompson	4.4	3.8	3.7	6.8	5.8
Colchester	3.6	3.2	2.9	6.1	4.8	Monroe	4.4	3.5	3.4	6.9	5.4	Tolland	3.2	2.9	2.7	5.3	4.5
Colebrook	5.1	4.6	3.6	5.9	5.2	Montville	4.3	4.0	3.5	10.0	6.5	Torrington	5.1	4.5	4.0	8.2	7.0
Columbia	3.5	3.3	3.1	5.7	4.7	Morris	3.4	3.3	2.7	5.5	3.8	Trumbull	3.9	3.6	3.2	7.0	5.5
Cornwall	2.8	2.8	2.4	5.6	3.7	Naugatuck	5.1	4.5	4.0	8.3	6.8	Union	3.4	2.5	2.7	5.2	4.8
Coventry	3.6	3.2	2.8	5.7	4.9	New Britain	6.0	5.3	5.0	10.7	9.7	Vernon	4.1	3.8	3.4	7.6	5.9
Cromwell	3.9	3.4	3.0	6.7	5.0	New Canaan	3.7	3.0	2.9	5.6	4.3	Voluntown	4.6	3.5	3.8	8.4	7.3
Danbury	3.7	3.2	3.0	7.2	5.4	New Fairfield	3.8	3.2	3.0	7.0	5.3	Wallingford	3.9	3.3	2.9	6.4	5.0
Darien	3.5	3.3	3.1	5.3	4.6	New Hartford	3.6	3.2	2.8	5.7	4.7	Warren	4.1	3.0	2.6	5.2	5.1
Deep River	3.2	3.1	2.6	5.7	4.4	New Haven	5.6	4.8	4.1	8.6	7.7	Washington	3.0	2.3	2.1	4.9	4.3
Derby	5.5	4.9	4.2	9.7	8.1	New London	5.9	5.2	4.7	13.1	10.1	Waterbury	6.9	6.3	5.6	11.5	10.1
Durham	3.1	2.9	2.5	5.0	3.7	New Milford	3.8	3.4	3.1	7.3	5.7	Waterford	4.0	3.4	3.3	8.1	6.0
East Granby	3.3	3.2	2.7	6.0	4.9	Newtown	3.8	3.4	3.2	7.2	5.3	Watertown	3.9	3.5	3.3	6.6	5.2
East Haddam	4.2	3.4	3.1	6.5	5.2	Newtown	3.6	3.3	2.8	6.2	5.1	West Hartford	3.2	2.9	2.7	5.9	4.6
East Hampton	3.6	3.2	2.8	6.0	5.1	Norfolk	3.4	3.4	3.0	5.7	4.3	West Haven	5.1	4.5	3.9	8.5	6.7
East Hartford	5.4	5.0	4.4	10.2	8.5	North Branford	3.7	3.3	3.0	5.8	4.9	Westbrook	3.7	3.4	3.1	6.6	5.3
East Haven	4.9	4.2	3.9	8.2	6.7	North Canaan	3.5	3.4	3.2	6.3	5.1	Weston	3.9	3.5	3.0	6.4	5.0
East Lyme	3.9	3.7	3.3	7.8	6.1	North Haven	3.8	3.4	3.0	6.7	4.9	Westport	3.5	2.9	2.8	5.5	4.2
East Windsor	4.7	4.2	3.5	7.2	5.8	North Stonington	3.5	3.3	3.0	6.8	5.4	Wethersfield	4.2	3.4	3.0	7.1	5.8
Eastford	3.9	3.7	3.0	5.6	4.4	Norwalk	4.0	3.5	3.2	8.0	5.8	Willington	3.5	3.3	2.7	5.9	5.2
Easton	3.6	3.2	2.7	6.0	4.8	Norwich	4.7	4.3	3.9	13.9	8.9	Wilton	3.5	3.0	3.0	5.8	4.6
Ellington	3.7	3.4	2.9	5.7	4.8	Old Lyme	3.7	3.4	3.1	6.8	5.6	Winchester	4.7	4.3	4.0	7.7	6.3
Enfield	4.4	3.8	3.4	7.4	5.7	Old Saybrook	3.8	3.2	2.9	6.4	5.1	Windham	5.6	5.0	4.6	8.8	8.0
Essex	3.5	3.0	2.9	5.9	4.2	Orange	3.2	3.1	2.7	6.1	4.2	Windsor	4.5	3.9	3.6	7.9	6.4
Fairfield	3.9	3.5	3.2	6.6	5.0	Oxford	3.9	3.2	2.9	6.3	5.4	Windsor Locks	4.4	4.1	3.5	7.9	6.1
Farmington	3.4	3.0	2.6	5.7	4.5	Plainfield	5.1	4.5	4.1	8.4	6.1	Wolcott	4.0	3.5	3.1	6.7	5.3
Franklin	3.1	3.3	3.5	7.2	5.9	Plainville	4.6	3.9	3.3	7.6	6.3	Woodbridge	2.9	2.9	2.5	5.4	3.9
Glastonbury	3.0	2.7	2.5	5.4	4.0	Plymouth	4.9	4.4	4.2	7.9	6.3	Woodbury	3.4	3.2	3.0	6.2	5.1
Goshen	3.4	2.9	2.8	5.2	4.6	Pomfret	3.0	3.1	2.6	4.8	4.1	Woodstock	4.1	3.9	3.5	7.1	5.4
Granby	3.1	2.7	2.4	4.9	4.3	Portland	3.9	3.5	3.1	6.3	4.8						
Greenwich	3.5	2.9	2.8	5.8	4.4	Preston	4.6	3.7	3.5	9.7	6.8	CONNECTICUT	4.4	3.9	3.5	7.8	6.3

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

Fig. 2 CT JOLTS 2019-22 (Seasonally Adjusted)



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openings per unemployed. As of March 2022, there were nearly two openings for every unemployed person in the country. In the Northeast, there were 1.47 openings per unemployed worker and Connecticut had 1.28 openings per unemployed worker. This represents a significant “seller’s market” for labor as employers scramble to fill job openings from expansion and from vacancies as existing workers retire or find employment elsewhere.

In addition to Openings, the JOLTS data show Hires and Separations. Separations are both voluntary (Quits) and involuntary (Layoffs and

Discharges). Openings and Quits reinforce each other. With Openings high, workers are more willing to quit their jobs to seek other opportunities knowing that the odds of finding another job are higher. At the same time, each quit is a potential opening that will need to be refilled.

Figure 2 shows the rate of Hires, Separations, and Openings in Connecticut. The BLS calculates the job openings rate by dividing the number of openings by the sum of employment and openings. The hires, quits, layoffs & discharges, and total separations rates are computed by dividing the number of

workers who, respectively, were hired, quit their jobs, were laid off or discharged, and were otherwise separated, by the number of people employed.² In February 2020, the hires and job openings rates were 4.5 and 4.0, respectively. These levels were among the highest on record at that time. The Separations measures (Layoffs and Quits) were each below two percent, lower than most months of the preceding ten years. Layoffs spiked during the next two months and Hires jumped after the two-month shutdown and have generally remained above their pre-COVID level since. By late 2021, the job opening rate surpassed six percent. The gap between Quits and Layoffs was much wider in early 2022 than before the pandemic. As of March 2022, the vast majority of separations in Connecticut were voluntary.

In addition to Quits, the number of Openings is affected by the decreased Labor Force Participation Rate (LFPR). The LFPR is the percent of the population (age 16 and above) that is either working or looking

Labor Force Participation Rates

	February 2020		April 2022	
	LFPR	% of U.S. Average	LFPR	% of U.S. Average
United States	63.4	100.0%	62.2	100.0%
Connecticut	66.9	105.5%	64.2	103.2%
Massachusetts	65.9	103.9%	66.0	106.1%
Rhode Island	63.9	100.8%	63.2	101.6%
New York	61.0	96.2%	59.4	95.5%
New Jersey	64.0	100.9%	62.6	100.6%

for work. In February 2020, the national LFPR was 63.4%. It fell to 60.2% in April 2020 and was 62.2% in April 2022 (table). The 1.2% point difference between the pre-pandemic 63.4% and 62.2% represents over three million workers. In Connecticut, the Labor Force Participation Rate was 66.9% in February 2020 and fell to a pandemic low of 63.2% (not much lower than the nation's pre-pandemic level). As of April 2022, it was 64.2% — two full percentage points higher than the national average. Returning Connecticut's Labor Force Participation Rate to its pre-COVID level would bring more than 79,000 workers back into the labor force.

tightest periods in decades with more total job openings than unemployed workers for the better part of the past year. Unemployment rates have fallen below 5 percent and job openings have been at or near all-time highs during the first quarter of 2022. The number of people collecting unemployment benefits in Connecticut has fallen to the lowest level since 1988. In addition to openings, the JOLTS data series illustrate the movements within the labor market. The increased pace of quits means that hiring must also accelerate just to maintain the same level of employment with growth requiring even more hiring. One of the unexpected

consequences of the COVID pandemic is that the dynamism of the labor market has increased both nationally and in Connecticut in contrast to previous recessions which saw years-long decreases in the rates of Hiring, Quits, and Openings. ■

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2 BLS. Handbook of Methods. [Chapter 18. Job Openings and Labor Turnover Survey](https://www.bls.gov/opub/hom/pdf/jlt-20130314.pdf). <https://www.bls.gov/opub/hom/pdf/jlt-20130314.pdf>

Conclusions

The labor markets in both the state and U.S. are in one of the

GENERAL ECONOMIC INDICATORS

<i>(Seasonally adjusted)</i>	4Q 2021	4Q 2020	YoY CHG NO. %		3Q 2021	QoQ CHG NO. %	
General Drift Indicator (2007=100)*							
Leading	108.8	106.6	2.2	2.1	106.5	2.3	2.14
Coincident	92.3	91.7	0.6	0.7	92.1	0.2	0.19
Real Gross Domestic Product** (Millions of chained 2012 dollars)	4Q 2021	4Q 2020	YoY CHG NO. %		3Q 2021	QoQ CHG NO. %	
Connecticut	251,071	239,889	11,181	4.7	246,434	4,636	1.9
United States	19,806,290	18,767,778	1,038,512	5.5	19,478,893	327,397	1.7
New England	1,026,499	971,159	55,340	5.7	1,007,908	18,591	1.8
Per Capita Personal Income** (Current \$, SAAR)	4Q 2021	4Q 2020	YoY CHG NO. %		3Q 2021	QoQ CHG NO. %	
Connecticut	82,204	77,663	4,541	5.8	81,377	827	1.0
United States	62,968	58,851	4,117	7.0	62,651	317	0.5
New England	76,442	71,956	4,486	6.2	76,091	351	0.5
Philadelphia Fed's Coincident Index (2007=100)***	Apr 2022	Apr 2021	YoY CHG NO. %		Mar 2022	MoM CHG NO. %	
Connecticut	119.23	111.00	8.23	7.4	118.54	0.69	0.6
United States	133.17	125.99	7.18	5.7	132.77	0.40	0.3

Sources: *Dr. Steven P. Lanza, University of Connecticut, <https://steven-lanza.uconn.edu/the-connecticut-green-sheet/>
U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis *Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia

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

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

Total nonfarm
employment increased
over the year.

EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY SECTOR

	Apr	Apr	CHANGE		Mar
	2022	2021	NO.	%	2022
(Seasonally adjusted; 000s)					
TOTAL NONFARM	1,647.1	1,599.8	47.3	3.0	1,645.5
Natural Res & Mining	0.5	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.6
Construction	62.7	59.5	3.2	5.4	62.3
Manufacturing	159.3	152.8	6.5	4.3	158.3
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	295.1	289.5	5.6	1.9	296.3
Information	29.8	29.4	0.4	1.4	30.8
Financial Activities	118.5	118.2	0.3	0.3	117.9
Professional and Business Services	215.0	211.8	3.2	1.5	215.8
Education and Health Services	334.0	332.0	2.0	0.6	334.4
Leisure and Hospitality	147.5	126.9	20.6	16.2	144.5
Other Services	60.4	57.3	3.1	5.4	60.0
Government*	224.3	221.9	2.4	1.1	224.6

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
	2022	2021	NO.	%	2022
(Seasonally adjusted)					
Labor Force, resident (000s)	1,888.1	1,853.8	34.3	1.9	1,879.3
Employed (000s)	1,804.2	1,724.2	80.0	4.6	1,793.2
Unemployed (000s)	83.9	129.5	-45.6	-35.2	86.1
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.4	7.0	-2.6	---	4.6
Labor Force Participation Rate (%)	64.2	63.5	0.7	---	64.0
Employment-Population Ratio (%)	61.4	59.0	2.4	---	61.0
Average Weekly Initial Claims	2,848	5,366	-2,518	-46.9	2,275
Avg. Insured Unemp. Rate (%)	1.24	4.44	-3.20	---	1.45
	1Q 2022	1Q 2021			2021
U-6 Rate (%)	9.2	15.2	-6.0	---	10.7

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

The production worker
weekly earnings fell over
the year.

MANUFACTURING ACTIVITY

	Apr	Apr	CHANGE		Mar	Feb
	2022	2021	NO.	%	2022	2022
(Not seasonally adjusted)						
Production Worker Avg Wkly Hours	39.8	39.8	0.0	0.0	40.2	--
Prod. Worker Avg Hourly Earnings	27.47	27.93	-0.46	-1.6	27.90	--
Prod. Worker Avg Weekly Earnings	1,093.31	1,111.61	-18.30	-1.6	1,121.58	--
CT Mfg. Prod. Index, NSA (2012=100)	97.3	93.3	4.05	4.3	99.8	94.5
Production Worker Hours (000s)	4,111	3,938	174	4.4	4,064	--
Industrial Electricity Sales (mil kWh)*	221	218	3	1.5	232	214
CT Mfg. Prod. Index, SA (2012=100)	103.5	99.1	4.44	4.5	103.5	100.2

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

*Latest two months are forecasted.

Personal income
increased 6.1 percent
from a year earlier.

INCOME

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

Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis

BUSINESS ACTIVITY

New auto registrations decreased over the year.

	MONTH	LEVEL	YY %	YEAR TO DATE		%
			CHG	CURRENT	PRIOR	CHG
New Housing Permits*	Apr 2022	406	-41.2	1,555	1,780	-12.6
Electricity Sales (mil kWh)	Mar 2022	2,195	1.9	7,020	6,899	1.8
Construction Contracts Index (1980=100)	Apr 2022	197.2	-32.1	---	---	---
New Auto Registrations	Apr 2022	12,956	-27.4	55,450	73,431	-24.5
Exports (Bil. \$)	1Q 2022	3.54	-1.5	3.54	3.60	-1.5
S&P 500: Monthly Close	Apr 2022	4,131.93	-1.2	---	---	---

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

* Estimated by the Bureau of the Census

BUSINESS STARTS AND TERMINATIONS

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

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

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

STATE REVENUES

Gaming payments were down from a year ago.

(Millions of dollars)	Apr	Apr	%	YEAR TO DATE		%
	2022	2021	CHG	CURRENT	PRIOR	CHG
TOTAL ALL REVENUES*	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Corporate Tax	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Personal Income Tax	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Real Estate Conv. Tax	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Sales & Use Tax	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Gaming Payments**	18.1	19.1	-5.0	68.3	71.5	-4.4

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

Gaming slots fell over the year.

	MONTH	LEVEL	YY %	YEAR TO DATE		%
			CHG	CURRENT	PRIOR	CHG
Occupancy Rate (%)*	Apr 2022	62.5	24.3	54.2	44.4	22.1
Tourism Website Visitors	Apr 2022	388,820	-4.5	1,621,767	1,132,214	43.2
Air Passenger Count	Mar 2022	495,123	96.7	1,187,740	556,894	113.3
Gaming Slots (Mil.\$)***	Apr 2022	874.5	-1.7	3,310.7	3,146.8	5.2

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

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

***See page 23 for explanation

Compensation cost for the nation rose 4.8 percent over the year.

EMPLOYMENT COST INDEX

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

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

U.S. inflation rate was up by 8.3 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 2022	289.109	8.3	0.6
Purchasing Power of \$ (1982-84=\$1.00)	Apr 2022	0.346	-7.6	-0.6
Northeast Region	Apr 2022	300.325	7.2	0.6
New York-Newark-Jersey City	Apr 2022	307.781	6.3	0.9
Boston-Cambridge-Newton**	Mar 2022	310.311	7.3	1.9
CPI-W (1982-84=100)				
U.S. City Average	Apr 2022	284.575	8.9	0.5

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

*Change over prior monthly or quarterly period

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

Conventional mortgage rate rose to 4.98 percent over the month.

INTEREST RATES

(Percent)	Apr 2022	Mar 2022	Apr 2021
Prime	3.50	3.37	3.25
Federal Funds	0.33	0.20	0.07
3 Month Treasury Bill	0.76	0.45	0.02
6 Month Treasury Bill	1.26	0.86	0.04
1 Year Treasury Note	1.89	1.34	0.06
3 Year Treasury Note	2.72	2.09	0.35
5 Year Treasury Note	2.78	2.11	0.86
7 Year Treasury Note	2.80	2.15	1.31
10 Year Treasury Note	2.75	2.13	1.64
20 Year Treasury Note	2.99	2.51	2.20
Conventional Mortgage	4.98	4.17	3.06

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
	2022	2021	NO.	%	2022
Connecticut	1,647.1	1,599.8	47.3	3.0	1,645.5
Maine	639.3	620.1	19.2	3.1	639.5
Massachusetts	3,662.1	3,483.7	178.4	5.1	3,651.6
New Hampshire	686.6	657.5	29.1	4.4	680.0
New Jersey	4,191.5	3,977.1	214.4	5.4	4,176.7
New York	9,398.1	8,952.8	445.3	5.0	9,372.2
Pennsylvania	5,917.8	5,707.5	210.3	3.7	5,906.4
Rhode Island	495.5	476.3	19.2	4.0	493.1
Vermont	300.8	294.1	6.7	2.3	300.7
United States	151,314.0	144,694.0	6,620.0	4.6	150,886.0

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

LABOR FORCE

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

<i>(Seasonally adjusted)</i>	Apr	Apr	CHANGE		Mar
	2022	2021	NO.	%	2022
Connecticut	1,888,064	1,853,765	34,299	1.9	1,879,286
Maine	678,815	685,101	-6,286	-0.9	679,447
Massachusetts	3,775,748	3,747,684	28,064	0.7	3,775,148
New Hampshire	759,959	756,492	3,467	0.5	758,614
New Jersey	4,635,116	4,675,610	-40,494	-0.9	4,617,907
New York	9,405,392	9,548,857	-143,465	-1.5	9,373,155
Pennsylvania	6,409,846	6,441,762	-31,916	-0.5	6,387,373
Rhode Island	569,024	571,428	-2,404	-0.4	568,894
Vermont	332,742	328,125	4,617	1.4	331,430
United States	164,046,000	160,978,000	3,068,000	1.9	164,409,000

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
	2022	2021		2022
Connecticut	4.4	7.0	-2.6	4.6
Maine	3.3	5.0	-1.7	3.6
Massachusetts	4.1	6.3	-2.2	4.3
New Hampshire	2.3	3.8	-1.5	2.4
New Jersey	4.1	7.0	-2.9	4.2
New York	4.5	7.8	-3.3	4.6
Pennsylvania	4.8	6.9	-2.1	4.9
Rhode Island	3.2	6.1	-2.9	3.4
Vermont	2.5	3.7	-1.2	2.6
United States	3.6	6.0	-2.4	3.6

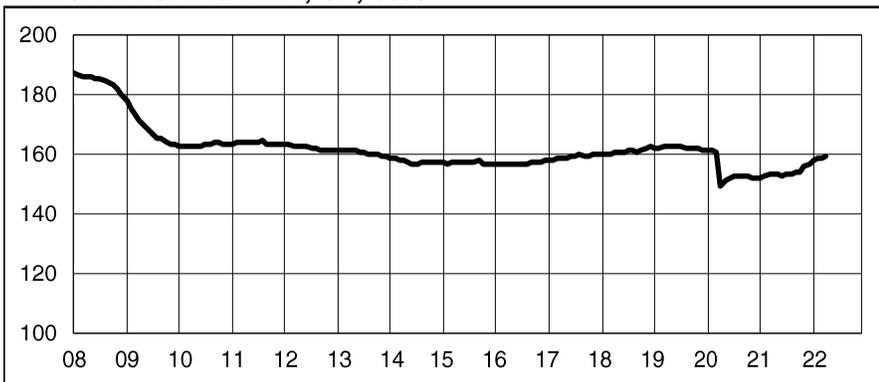
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CONSTRUCTION EMP., SA, 000s



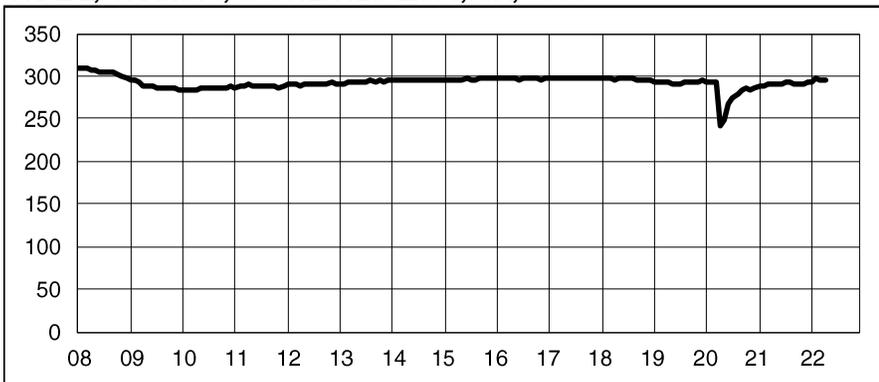
Month	2020	2021	2022
Jan	58.9	58.7	61.6
Feb	59.5	58.9	61.4
Mar	59.6	59.4	62.3
Apr	49.9	59.5	62.7
May	53.8	58.7	
Jun	55.7	58.7	
Jul	56.5	59.2	
Aug	57.2	59.2	
Sep	57.6	59.5	
Oct	57.9	60.8	
Nov	58.2	61.7	
Dec	58.5	61.7	

MANUFACTURING EMP., SA, 000s



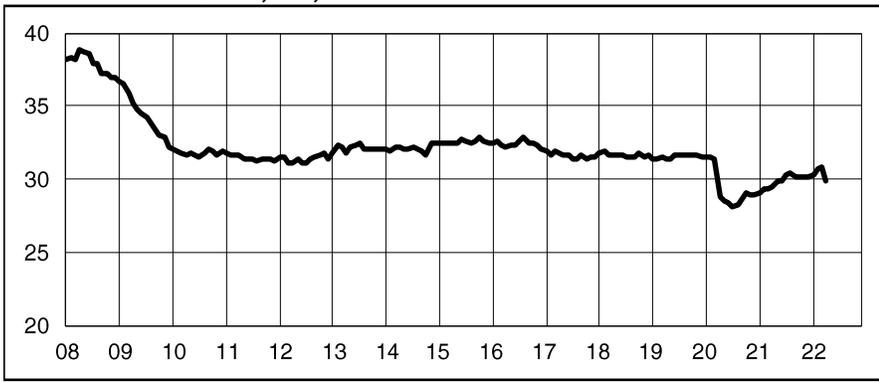
Month	2020	2021	2022
Jan	160.8	151.8	157.4
Feb	161.0	152.2	158.1
Mar	160.2	153.0	158.3
Apr	149.1	152.8	159.3
May	151.1	153.1	
Jun	151.9	152.2	
Jul	152.1	153.3	
Aug	152.2	153.2	
Sep	152.5	153.6	
Oct	152.3	153.7	
Nov	152.0	155.6	
Dec	151.9	156.4	

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



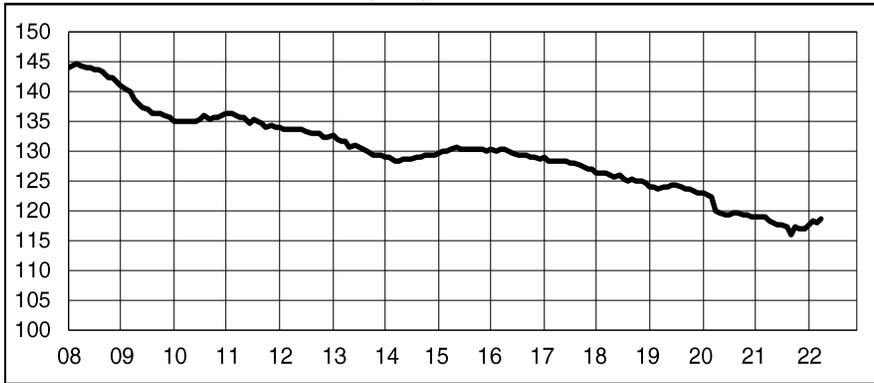
Month	2020	2021	2022
Jan	293.5	288.6	292.9
Feb	293.5	289.3	296.9
Mar	293.3	290.0	296.3
Apr	241.3	289.5	295.1
May	249.1	289.7	
Jun	267.7	290.3	
Jul	274.8	293.1	
Aug	278.4	291.9	
Sep	283.1	290.6	
Oct	285.9	290.3	
Nov	284.1	290.7	
Dec	285.7	291.7	

INFORMATION EMP., SA, 000s



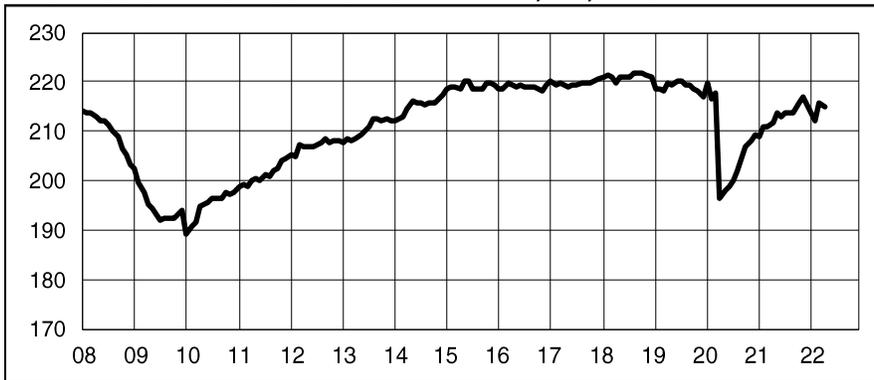
Month	2020	2021	2022
Jan	31.5	29.1	30.3
Feb	31.5	29.3	30.7
Mar	31.3	29.3	30.8
Apr	28.8	29.4	29.8
May	28.5	29.8	
Jun	28.3	29.9	
Jul	28.1	30.3	
Aug	28.2	30.4	
Sep	28.7	30.1	
Oct	29.1	30.1	
Nov	28.9	30.2	
Dec	28.9	30.2	

FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES EMP., SA, 000s



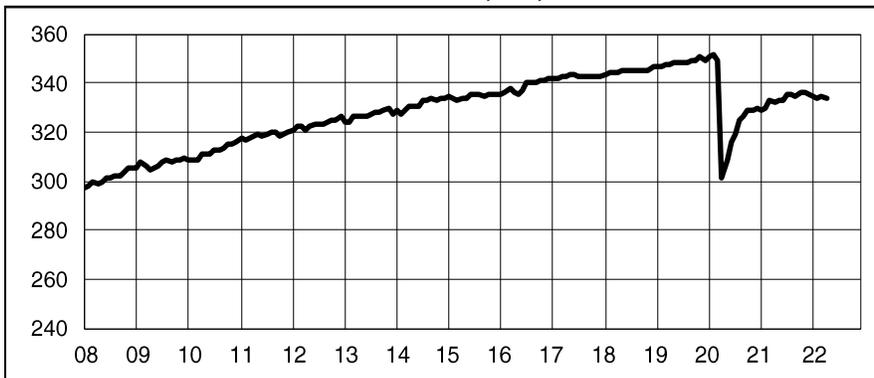
Month	2020	2021	2022
Jan	122.7	119.0	117.6
Feb	122.6	118.7	118.3
Mar	122.2	118.8	117.9
Apr	119.9	118.2	118.5
May	119.4	117.8	
Jun	119.2	117.4	
Jul	119.2	117.4	
Aug	119.4	117.1	
Sep	119.4	116.0	
Oct	119.2	117.1	
Nov	119.2	116.7	
Dec	118.8	116.7	

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



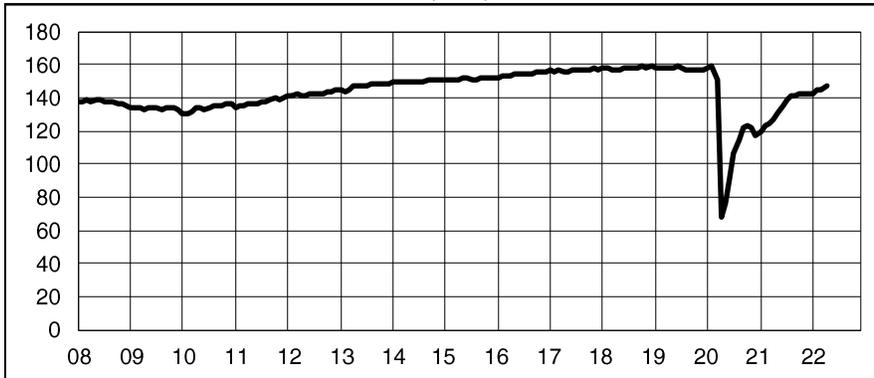
Month	2020	2021	2022
Jan	219.7	209.0	213.7
Feb	216.4	210.7	212.1
Mar	217.8	210.9	215.8
Apr	196.4	211.8	215.0
May	198.1	213.5	
Jun	198.8	213.0	
Jul	200.1	213.8	
Aug	202.2	213.7	
Sep	204.3	213.5	
Oct	206.8	215.8	
Nov	208.1	217.1	
Dec	209.2	215.3	

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



Month	2020	2021	2022
Jan	350.6	328.9	334.3
Feb	351.7	329.6	334.0
Mar	349.0	333.2	334.4
Apr	301.2	332.0	334.0
May	308.2	332.6	
Jun	315.6	333.0	
Jul	318.9	335.4	
Aug	324.6	334.9	
Sep	326.1	334.1	
Oct	328.5	336.2	
Nov	329.0	336.1	
Dec	329.8	334.9	

LEISURE AND HOSPITALITY EMP., SA, 000s



Month	2020	2021	2022
Jan	158.4	119.6	141.9
Feb	159.5	122.7	144.1
Mar	150.8	124.1	144.5
Apr	67.3	126.9	147.5
May	76.0	130.7	
Jun	90.7	134.6	
Jul	106.0	138.2	
Aug	114.6	141.6	
Sep	121.4	141.2	
Oct	123.6	141.9	
Nov	121.9	141.8	
Dec	117.3	142.6	

CONNECTICUT

Not Seasonally Adjusted

	Apr 2022	Apr 2021	CHANGE		Mar 2022
			NO.	%	
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT	1,644,000	1,592,400	51,600	3.2	1,629,200
TOTAL PRIVATE	1,415,000	1,365,600	49,400	3.6	1,399,400
GOODS PRODUCING INDUSTRIES	221,200	210,800	10,400	4.9	215,900
CONSTRUCTION, NAT. RES. & MINING	62,400	58,900	3,500	5.9	58,200
MANUFACTURING	158,800	151,900	6,900	4.5	157,700
Durable Goods	123,100	119,200	3,900	3.3	122,800
Fabricated Metal.....	28,300	27,300	1,000	3.7	28,200
Machinery.....	13,400	12,700	700	5.5	13,400
Computer and Electronic Product.....	10,200	9,900	300	3.0	10,200
Transportation Equipment.....	45,400	44,500	900	2.0	45,300
Aerospace Product and Parts.....	30,100	29,700	400	1.3	30,000
Non-Durable Goods	35,700	32,700	3,000	9.2	34,900
Chemical.....	7,700	7,800	-100	-1.3	7,800
SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES	1,422,800	1,381,600	41,200	3.0	1,413,300
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, UTILITIES	290,900	281,800	9,100	3.2	293,600
Wholesale Trade.....	58,900	56,600	2,300	4.1	58,800
Retail Trade.....	165,000	164,200	800	0.5	166,300
Motor Vehicle and Parts Dealers.....	20,600	20,200	400	2.0	20,600
Building Material.....	15,400	16,900	-1,500	-8.9	15,600
Food and Beverage Stores.....	39,700	41,300	-1,600	-3.9	39,500
General Merchandise Stores.....	26,900	25,700	1,200	4.7	27,200
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities....	67,000	61,000	6,000	9.8	68,500
Utilities.....	5,000	5,000	0	0.0	5,000
Transportation and Warehousing.....	62,000	56,000	6,000	10.7	63,500
INFORMATION	30,100	29,300	800	2.7	30,700
Telecommunications.....	5,800	6,100	-300	-4.9	5,900
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	118,300	117,100	1,200	1.0	117,800
Finance and Insurance.....	99,000	99,000	0	0.0	98,700
Credit Intermediation and Related.....	20,700	21,500	-800	-3.7	20,600
Financial Investments and Related.....	21,900	21,500	400	1.9	21,800
Insurance Carriers & Related Activities....	56,400	56,000	400	0.7	56,300
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing.....	19,300	18,100	1,200	6.6	19,100
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	216,000	211,700	4,300	2.0	212,200
Professional, Scientific.....	96,800	94,800	2,000	2.1	97,200
Legal Services.....	11,800	11,600	200	1.7	11,800
Computer Systems Design.....	21,900	22,000	-100	-0.5	22,100
Management of Companies.....	30,300	30,300	0	0.0	30,400
Administrative and Support.....	88,900	86,600	2,300	2.7	84,600
Employment Services.....	27,600	26,400	1,200	4.5	27,200
EDUCATION AND HEALTH SERVICES	335,800	334,200	1,600	0.5	335,500
Educational Services.....	68,900	66,800	2,100	3.1	69,200
Health Care and Social Assistance.....	266,900	267,400	-500	-0.2	266,300
Hospitals.....	58,700	60,500	-1,800	-3.0	59,000
Nursing & Residential Care Facilities.....	52,800	53,300	-500	-0.9	51,500
Social Assistance.....	63,700	62,000	1,700	2.7	63,700
LEISURE AND HOSPITALITY	142,700	123,900	18,800	15.2	134,900
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation.....	24,000	19,700	4,300	21.8	20,800
Accommodation and Food Services.....	118,700	104,200	14,500	13.9	114,100
Food Serv., Restaurants, Drinking Places.	110,300	97,700	12,600	12.9	106,200
OTHER SERVICES	60,000	56,800	3,200	5.6	58,800
GOVERNMENT	229,000	226,800	2,200	1.0	229,800
Federal Government.....	18,200	18,500	-300	-1.6	18,100
State Government.....	71,500	72,400	-900	-1.2	72,000
Local Government**.....	139,300	135,900	3,400	2.5	139,700

Current month's data are preliminary. Prior months' data have been revised. All data are benchmarked to March 2021.

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

BRIDGEPORT - STAMFORD LMA



Not Seasonally Adjusted

	Apr 2022	Apr 2021	CHANGE		Mar 2022
			NO.	%	
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT	391,600	379,300	12,300	3.2	388,600
TOTAL PRIVATE	350,000	336,900	13,100	3.9	347,200
GOODS PRODUCING INDUSTRIES	42,400	40,200	2,200	5.5	41,600
CONSTRUCTION, NAT. RES. & MINING	13,100	12,700	400	3.1	12,500
MANUFACTURING	29,300	27,500	1,800	6.5	29,100
Durable Goods.....	22,900	21,900	1,000	4.6	22,800
SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES	349,200	339,100	10,100	3.0	347,000
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, UTILITIES	64,300	62,900	1,400	2.2	65,200
Wholesale Trade.....	12,600	12,100	500	4.1	12,600
Retail Trade.....	42,800	42,400	400	0.9	43,400
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities....	8,900	8,400	500	6.0	9,200
INFORMATION	11,500	12,000	-500	-4.2	11,700
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	35,000	35,000	0	0.0	34,900
Finance and Insurance.....	29,100	29,500	-400	-1.4	29,200
Credit Intermediation and Related.....	6,600	7,500	-900	-12.0	6,600
Financial Investments and Related.....	16,200	15,500	700	4.5	16,200
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	64,900	63,400	1,500	2.4	63,900
Professional, Scientific.....	30,200	30,000	200	0.7	29,900
Administrative and Support.....	25,400	23,500	1,900	8.1	24,500
EDUCATION AND HEALTH SERVICES	75,700	73,600	2,100	2.9	76,500
Health Care and Social Assistance.....	63,500	61,800	1,700	2.8	64,300
LEISURE AND HOSPITALITY	39,900	34,500	5,400	15.7	37,300
Accommodation and Food Services.....	31,000	26,900	4,100	15.2	29,800
OTHER SERVICES	16,300	15,300	1,000	6.5	16,100
GOVERNMENT	41,600	42,400	-800	-1.9	41,400
Federal.....	2,400	2,500	-100	-4.0	2,400
State & Local.....	39,200	39,900	-700	-1.8	39,000

DANBURY LMA



Not Seasonally Adjusted

	Apr 2022	Apr 2021	CHANGE		Mar 2022
			NO.	%	
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT	75,000	72,800	2,200	3.0	74,100
TOTAL PRIVATE	65,200	63,300	1,900	3.0	64,300
GOODS PRODUCING INDUSTRIES	11,800	11,500	300	2.6	11,700
SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES	63,200	61,300	1,900	3.1	62,400
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, UTILITIES	16,600	16,700	-100	-0.6	17,100
Retail Trade.....	11,200	11,400	-200	-1.8	11,500
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	9,300	8,800	500	5.7	8,900
LEISURE AND HOSPITALITY	6,800	6,200	600	9.7	6,600
GOVERNMENT	9,800	9,500	300	3.2	9,800
Federal.....	800	700	100	14.3	700
State & Local.....	9,000	8,800	200	2.3	9,100

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

HARTFORD LMA*Not Seasonally Adjusted*

	Apr	Apr	CHANGE		Mar
	2022	2021	NO.	%	2022
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT	569,200	554,700	14,500	2.6	564,300
TOTAL PRIVATE	475,800	462,600	13,200	2.9	470,900
GOODS PRODUCING INDUSTRIES	78,000	74,800	3,200	4.3	76,700
CONSTRUCTION, NAT. RES. & MINING	20,600	20,100	500	2.5	19,600
MANUFACTURING	57,400	54,700	2,700	4.9	57,100
Durable Goods.....	47,200	45,000	2,200	4.9	46,900
Non-Durable Goods.....	10,200	9,700	500	5.2	10,200
SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES	491,200	479,900	11,300	2.4	487,600
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, UTILITIES	88,300	87,600	700	0.8	89,900
Wholesale Trade.....	16,100	15,800	300	1.9	16,300
Retail Trade.....	48,400	49,900	-1,500	-3.0	48,900
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities....	23,800	21,900	1,900	8.7	24,700
Transportation and Warehousing.....	23,100	21,100	2,000	9.5	23,900
INFORMATION	8,600	8,400	200	2.4	8,800
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	51,400	53,900	-2,500	-4.6	51,300
Depository Credit Institutions.....	4,900	5,300	-400	-7.5	4,900
Insurance Carriers & Related Activities....	35,900	37,400	-1,500	-4.0	36,100
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	75,600	72,700	2,900	4.0	75,100
Professional, Scientific.....	35,200	33,200	2,000	6.0	35,400
Management of Companies.....	12,500	12,300	200	1.6	12,500
Administrative and Support.....	27,900	27,200	700	2.6	27,200
EDUCATION AND HEALTH SERVICES	108,200	107,600	600	0.6	107,600
Educational Services.....	13,900	13,500	400	3.0	14,000
Health Care and Social Assistance.....	94,300	94,100	200	0.2	93,600
Ambulatory Health Care.....	32,700	31,900	800	2.5	32,500
LEISURE AND HOSPITALITY	44,500	37,500	7,000	18.7	40,700
Accommodation and Food Services.....	37,300	32,200	5,100	15.8	35,500
OTHER SERVICES	21,200	20,100	1,100	5.5	20,800
GOVERNMENT	93,400	92,100	1,300	1.4	93,400
Federal.....	5,200	5,400	-200	-3.7	5,200
State & Local.....	88,200	86,700	1,500	1.7	88,200

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT

Labor Market Areas	Seasonally Adjusted		CHANGE		Mar
	Apr	Apr	NO.	%	2022
BRIDGEPORT-STAMFORD LMA	392,600	382,100	10,500	2.7	394,700
DANBURY LMA	75,200	73,300	1,900	2.6	74,900
HARTFORD LMA	569,800	555,500	14,300	2.6	567,800
NEW HAVEN LMA	294,300	284,200	10,100	3.6	294,500
NORWICH-NEW LONDON LMA	120,100	116,700	3,400	2.9	119,200
WATERBURY LMA	65,800	64,100	1,700	2.7	65,600
ENFIELD LMA**	40,500	40,200	300	0.7	41,400
TORRINGTON-NORTHWEST LMA**	31,400	31,000	400	1.3	32,100
DANIELSON-NORTHEAST LMA**	26,100	26,100	0	0.0	26,500

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

NEW HAVEN LMA



Not Seasonally Adjusted

	Apr	Apr	CHANGE		Mar
	2022	2021	NO.	%	2022
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT	293,100	282,900	10,200	3.6	290,600
TOTAL PRIVATE	257,000	249,000	8,000	3.2	254,600
GOODS PRODUCING INDUSTRIES	34,300	33,800	500	1.5	33,500
CONSTRUCTION, NAT. RES. & MINING	11,000	11,100	-100	-0.9	10,400
MANUFACTURING	23,300	22,700	600	2.6	23,100
Durable Goods.....	16,700	16,400	300	1.8	16,600
SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES	258,800	249,100	9,700	3.9	257,100
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, UTILITIES	57,000	53,500	3,500	6.5	57,500
Wholesale Trade.....	11,200	10,900	300	2.8	11,200
Retail Trade.....	27,500	26,500	1,000	3.8	27,600
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities....	18,300	16,100	2,200	13.7	18,700
INFORMATION	3,800	3,800	0	0.0	3,800
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	11,700	11,700	0	0.0	11,700
Finance and Insurance.....	7,800	8,000	-200	-2.5	7,800
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	31,100	30,900	200	0.6	31,100
Administrative and Support.....	16,500	16,200	300	1.9	15,900
EDUCATION AND HEALTH SERVICES	85,000	84,600	400	0.5	84,600
Educational Services.....	32,900	31,900	1,000	3.1	33,200
Health Care and Social Assistance.....	52,100	52,700	-600	-1.1	51,400
LEISURE AND HOSPITALITY	23,500	20,600	2,900	14.1	21,900
Accommodation and Food Services.....	19,200	17,500	1,700	9.7	18,200
OTHER SERVICES	10,600	10,100	500	5.0	10,500
GOVERNMENT	36,100	33,900	2,200	6.5	36,000
Federal.....	4,900	5,000	-100	-2.0	4,900
State & Local.....	31,200	28,900	2,300	8.0	31,100

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HELP WANTED ONLINE

Connecticut HWOL: April 2022

Workforce Area	April Total Ads	Industry Sector With Most Ads	Ads	Occupation With Most Ads	Ads
Eastern	7,798	Health Care & Soc. Asst.	1,724	Registered Nurses	409
North Central	32,498	Health Care & Soc. Asst.	5,816	Registered Nurses	1,924
Northwest	10,709	Health Care & Soc. Asst.	2,491	Registered Nurses	608
South Central	18,796	Health Care & Soc. Asst.	4,485	Registered Nurses	1,411
Southwest	20,870	Health Care & Soc. Asst.	3,698	Registered Nurses	1,054

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 2022	Apr 2021	CHANGE		Mar 2022
			NO.	%	
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT	119,100	115,100	4,000	3.5	116,800
TOTAL PRIVATE	93,300	90,400	2,900	3.2	91,200
GOODS PRODUCING INDUSTRIES	22,700	21,300	1,400	6.6	22,200
CONSTRUCTION, NAT. RES. & MINING	4,600	3,800	800	21.1	4,000
MANUFACTURING	18,100	17,500	600	3.4	18,200
Durable Goods.....	14,800	14,200	600	4.2	14,800
Non-Durable Goods.....	3,300	3,300	0	0.0	3,400
SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES	96,400	93,800	2,600	2.8	94,600
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, UTILITIES	20,700	20,300	400	2.0	20,700
Wholesale Trade.....	2,300	2,200	100	4.5	2,300
Retail Trade.....	14,600	14,300	300	2.1	14,500
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities.....	3,800	3,800	0	0.0	3,900
INFORMATION	1,300	1,300	0	0.0	1,300
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	2,700	2,700	0	0.0	2,700
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	9,000	8,900	100	1.1	8,900
EDUCATION AND HEALTH SERVICES	19,800	20,500	-700	-3.4	19,800
Health Care and Social Assistance.....	17,000	17,600	-600	-3.4	17,200
LEISURE AND HOSPITALITY	13,900	12,600	1,300	10.3	12,400
Accommodation and Food Services.....	11,900	10,700	1,200	11.2	10,700
Food Serv., Restaurants, Drinking Places.....	10,600	9,300	1,300	14.0	10,000
OTHER SERVICES	3,200	2,800	400	14.3	3,200
GOVERNMENT	25,800	24,700	1,100	4.5	25,600
Federal.....	2,900	3,000	-100	-3.3	2,900
State & Local**.....	22,900	21,700	1,200	5.5	22,700

WATERBURY LMA*Not Seasonally Adjusted*

	Apr 2022	Apr 2021	CHANGE		Mar 2022
			NO.	%	
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT	65,600	63,900	1,700	2.7	65,000
TOTAL PRIVATE	55,600	53,700	1,900	3.5	54,900
GOODS PRODUCING INDUSTRIES	10,200	9,700	500	5.2	10,000
CONSTRUCTION, NAT. RES. & MINING	3,000	2,700	300	11.1	2,800
MANUFACTURING	7,200	7,000	200	2.9	7,200
SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES	55,400	54,200	1,200	2.2	55,000
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, UTILITIES	12,400	12,200	200	1.6	12,400
Wholesale Trade.....	1,900	1,800	100	5.6	1,900
Retail Trade.....	8,500	8,600	-100	-1.2	8,500
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities.....	2,000	1,800	200	11.1	2,000
INFORMATION	500	600	-100	-16.7	600
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	1,800	1,900	-100	-5.3	1,800
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	5,500	5,000	500	10.0	5,400
EDUCATION AND HEALTH SERVICES	17,400	16,800	600	3.6	17,200
Health Care and Social Assistance.....	15,200	14,800	400	2.7	15,200
LEISURE AND HOSPITALITY	5,300	5,200	100	1.9	5,100
OTHER SERVICES	2,500	2,300	200	8.7	2,400
GOVERNMENT	10,000	10,200	-200	-2.0	10,100
Federal.....	400	400	0	0.0	400
State & Local.....	9,600	9,800	-200	-2.0	9,700

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

SMALLER LMAS*



Not Seasonally Adjusted

	Apr 2022	Apr 2021	CHANGE		Mar 2022
			NO.	%	
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT					
ENFIELD LMA.....	40,900	40,600	300	0.7	41,000
TORRINGTON-NORTHWEST LMA.....	31,000	30,500	500	1.6	31,200
DANIELSON-NORTHEAST LMA.....	26,200	26,100	100	0.4	26,100

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 2022	Apr 2021	CHANGE		Mar 2022
			NO.	%	
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT.....	333,900	318,300	15,600	4.9	332,300
TOTAL PRIVATE.....	269,400	258,400	11,000	4.3	267,700
GOODS PRODUCING INDUSTRIES.....	41,200	40,400	800	2.0	40,500
CONSTRUCTION, NAT. RES. & MINING.....	12,000	11,500	500	4.3	11,500
MANUFACTURING.....	29,200	28,900	300	1.0	29,000
Durable Goods.....	19,400	19,500	-100	-0.5	19,300
Non-Durable Goods.....	9,800	9,400	400	4.3	9,700
SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES.....	292,700	277,900	14,800	5.3	291,800
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, UTILITIES.....	59,000	57,100	1,900	3.3	59,100
Wholesale Trade.....	11,700	11,400	300	2.6	11,700
Retail Trade.....	32,900	31,700	1,200	3.8	32,800
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities....	14,400	14,000	400	2.9	14,600
INFORMATION.....	2,800	2,700	100	3.7	2,800
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES.....	14,400	15,500	-1,100	-7.1	14,500
Finance and Insurance.....	11,500	12,600	-1,100	-8.7	11,600
Insurance Carriers & Related Activities....	8,100	9,100	-1,000	-11.0	8,100
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	25,500	25,000	500	2.0	25,200
EDUCATION AND HEALTH SERVICES.....	84,300	81,000	3,300	4.1	84,300
Educational Services.....	16,400	15,000	1,400	9.3	16,400
Health Care and Social Assistance.....	67,900	66,000	1,900	2.9	67,900
LEISURE AND HOSPITALITY.....	30,400	25,500	4,900	19.2	29,500
OTHER SERVICES.....	11,800	11,200	600	5.4	11,800
GOVERNMENT.....	64,500	59,900	4,600	7.7	64,600
Federal.....	6,100	6,100	0	0.0	6,200
State & Local.....	58,400	53,800	4,600	8.6	58,400

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** New England City and Town Area

<i>(Not seasonally adjusted)</i>	EMPLOYMENT STATUS	Apr	Apr	CHANGE		Mar
		2022	2021	NO.	%	2022
CONNECTICUT	Civilian Labor Force	1,863,700	1,834,100	29,600	1.6	1,898,400
	Employed	1,793,700	1,709,100	84,600	4.9	1,817,400
	Unemployed	69,900	125,100	-55,200	-44.1	81,000
	Unemployment Rate	3.8	6.8	-3.0	---	4.3
BRIDGEPORT-STAMFORD LMA	Civilian Labor Force	454,100	444,900	9,200	2.1	462,100
	Employed	436,800	414,900	21,900	5.3	442,100
	Unemployed	17,200	30,100	-12,900	-42.9	20,000
	Unemployment Rate	3.8	6.8	-3.0	---	4.3
DANBURY LMA	Civilian Labor Force	103,600	101,600	2,000	2.0	105,100
	Employed	100,300	95,600	4,700	4.9	101,200
	Unemployed	3,300	6,000	-2,700	-45.0	4,000
	Unemployment Rate	3.2	5.9	-2.7	---	3.8
DANIELSON-NORTHEAST LMA	Civilian Labor Force	42,500	41,600	900	2.2	43,300
	Employed	41,000	39,100	1,900	4.9	41,500
	Unemployed	1,500	2,500	-1,000	-40.0	1,900
	Unemployment Rate	3.6	6.1	-2.5	---	4.3
ENFIELD LMA	Civilian Labor Force	49,600	48,000	1,600	3.3	50,800
	Employed	47,900	45,100	2,800	6.2	48,800
	Unemployed	1,700	2,900	-1,200	-41.4	2,000
	Unemployment Rate	3.4	6.1	-2.7	---	4.0
HARTFORD LMA	Civilian Labor Force	612,800	605,900	6,900	1.1	624,700
	Employed	589,600	564,100	25,500	4.5	598,400
	Unemployed	23,200	41,800	-18,600	-44.5	26,200
	Unemployment Rate	3.8	6.9	-3.1	---	4.2
NEW HAVEN LMA	Civilian Labor Force	328,200	322,100	6,100	1.9	334,800
	Employed	316,800	301,300	15,500	5.1	321,700
	Unemployed	11,400	20,800	-9,400	-45.2	13,100
	Unemployment Rate	3.5	6.5	-3.0	---	3.9
NORWICH-NEW LONDON LMA	Civilian Labor Force	133,900	132,600	1,300	1.0	135,600
	Employed	128,500	122,600	5,900	4.8	129,200
	Unemployed	5,300	9,900	-4,600	-46.5	6,300
	Unemployment Rate	4.0	7.5	-3.5	---	4.7
TORRINGTON-NORTHWEST LMA	Civilian Labor Force	45,900	44,900	1,000	2.2	46,400
	Employed	44,400	42,100	2,300	5.5	44,400
	Unemployed	1,600	2,800	-1,200	-42.9	2,000
	Unemployment Rate	3.4	6.3	-2.9	---	4.3
WATERBURY LMA	Civilian Labor Force	108,400	107,700	700	0.6	111,000
	Employed	103,300	98,700	4,600	4.7	105,000
	Unemployed	5,100	9,000	-3,900	-43.3	6,000
	Unemployment Rate	4.7	8.4	-3.7	---	5.4
UNITED STATES	Civilian Labor Force	163,449,000	160,379,000	3,070,000	1.9	164,274,000
	Employed	157,991,000	151,160,000	6,831,000	4.5	158,106,000
	Unemployed	5,458,000	9,220,000	-3,762,000	-40.8	6,168,000
	Unemployment Rate	3.3	5.7	-2.4	---	3.8

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	AVG WEEKLY EARNINGS				AVG WEEKLY HOURS				AVG HOURLY EARNINGS			
	Apr		CHG	Mar	Apr		CHG	Mar	Apr		CHG	Mar
	2022	2021	Y/Y	2022	2022	2021	Y/Y	2022	2022	2021	Y/Y	2022
<i>(Not seasonally adjusted)</i>												
PRODUCTION WORKER												
MANUFACTURING	\$1,093.31	\$1,111.61	-\$18.31	\$1,121.58	39.8	39.8	0.0	40.2	\$27.47	\$27.93	-\$0.46	\$27.90
DURABLE GOODS	1,157.90	1,192.98	-35.07	1,184.40	39.6	40.1	-0.5	40.0	29.24	29.75	-0.51	29.61
NON-DUR. GOODS	908.82	854.10	54.72	943.43	40.5	39.0	1.5	40.7	22.44	21.90	0.54	23.18
CONSTRUCTION	1,222.13	1,393.52	-171.40	1,301.03	36.8	39.6	-2.8	37.7	33.21	35.19	-1.98	34.51
ALL EMPLOYEES												
STATEWIDE												
TOTAL PRIVATE	1,160.69	1,149.17	11.52	1,157.69	33.8	34.1	-0.3	33.9	34.34	33.70	0.64	34.15
GOODS PRODUCING	1,437.71	1,389.21	48.50	1,454.25	38.7	38.6	0.1	39.4	37.15	35.99	1.16	36.91
Construction	1,391.53	1,408.13	-16.60	1,417.77	36.6	37.5	-0.9	37.3	38.02	37.55	0.47	38.01
Manufacturing	1,414.41	1,361.89	52.52	1,432.01	39.3	38.9	0.4	39.9	35.99	35.01	0.98	35.89
SERVICE PROVIDING	1,109.72	1,105.89	3.83	1,103.80	32.9	33.3	-0.4	32.9	33.73	33.21	0.52	33.55
Trade, Transp., Utilities	936.01	979.88	-43.87	925.99	32.9	33.5	-0.6	32.4	28.45	29.25	-0.80	28.58
Financial Activities	1,944.75	1,947.27	-2.52	1,931.34	37.5	39.0	-1.5	37.4	51.86	49.93	1.93	51.64
Prof. & Business Serv.	1,391.30	1,285.15	106.15	1,386.18	34.8	35.2	-0.4	35.2	39.98	36.51	3.47	39.38
Education & Health Ser.	1,057.88	1,067.98	-10.10	1,064.72	33.1	33.5	-0.4	33.2	31.96	31.88	0.08	32.07
Leisure & Hospitality	549.93	492.67	57.26	544.07	26.1	25.7	0.4	25.7	21.07	19.17	1.90	21.17
Other Services	861.59	792.96	68.63	872.59	29.0	29.5	-0.5	29.7	29.71	26.88	2.83	29.38
LABOR MARKET AREAS: TOTAL PRIVATE												
Bridgeport-Stamford	1,281.04	1,275.27	5.77	1,278.58	33.5	33.8	-0.3	33.7	38.24	37.73	0.51	37.94
Danbury	1,239.42	1,050.62	188.80	1,232.24	36.8	34.1	2.7	35.8	33.68	30.81	2.87	34.42
Hartford	1,198.04	1,205.50	-7.46	1,186.38	33.7	35.3	-1.6	33.8	35.55	34.15	1.40	35.10
New Haven	1,126.89	1,132.26	-5.37	1,126.32	34.2	33.9	0.3	34.1	32.95	33.40	-0.45	33.03
Norwich-New London	935.29	904.62	30.67	925.84	32.6	32.8	-0.2	32.6	28.69	27.58	1.11	28.40
Waterbury	860.52	919.80	-59.28	896.81	30.7	31.5	-0.8	31.6	28.03	29.20	-1.17	28.38

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BUSINESS AND EMPLOYMENT CHANGES ANNOUNCED IN THE NEWS MEDIA

New Companies and Expansions

- Electric Boat said it plans to hire more than 3,000 workers this year, a 20% increase over 2021.
- The Department of Consumer Protection will be hiring about 60 new employees to serve the state's cannabis industry.
- Tabitha's Ice Cream has opened a new location in Fairfield.
- "Thrift", a new thrift store, opened in Norwalk.
- Avent's T-Shirt World had its grand opening at the Crystal Mall in Waterford.
- Nuritas, a bioscience company based in Ireland plans to open a new U.S. headquarters in New Haven.
- Mirador, a wealth management firm is relocating its headquarters from Darien to Stamford with plans to add about 250 jobs.

Layoffs and Closures

- Hearst Connecticut will close its Bridgeport presses and consolidate its printing operations in Albany, New York, leading to 28 job cuts at the Bridgeport press operation
- Specialty Printing plans to move its manufacturing, distribution, and headquarters from East Windsor to Windsor. The move will lead to the elimination of some redundant positions.

(By Place of Residence - Not Seasonally Adjusted)

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LMA/TOWNS	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYED	UNEMPLOYED	%	LMA/TOWNS	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYED	UNEMPLOYED	%
BRIDGEPORT-STAMFORD					HARTFORD cont...				
	454,050	436,847	17,203	3.8	Canton	5,631	5,470	161	2.9
Ansonia	9,041	8,488	553	6.1	Chaplin	1,218	1,184	34	2.8
Bridgeport	66,739	63,037	3,702	5.5	Colchester	9,169	8,921	248	2.7
Darien	8,407	8,170	237	2.8	Columbia	3,154	3,080	74	2.3
Derby	6,462	6,133	329	5.1	Coventry	7,727	7,501	226	2.9
Easton	3,718	3,613	105	2.8	Cromwell	7,752	7,541	211	2.7
Fairfield	28,874	27,975	899	3.1	East Granby	3,030	2,941	89	2.9
Greenwich	28,307	27,484	823	2.9	East Haddam	4,916	4,767	149	3.0
Milford	29,831	28,968	863	2.9	East Hampton	7,547	7,355	192	2.5
Monroe	9,764	9,424	340	3.5	East Hartford	26,823	25,325	1,498	5.6
New Canaan	8,130	7,893	237	2.9	Ellington	9,650	9,331	319	3.3
Norwalk	49,609	47,919	1,690	3.4	Farmington	14,034	13,666	368	2.6
Oxford	7,161	6,932	229	3.2	Glastonbury	18,817	18,302	515	2.7
Redding	4,309	4,153	156	3.6	Granby	6,889	6,724	165	2.4
Ridgefield	11,517	11,165	352	3.1	Haddam	4,938	4,827	111	2.2
Seymour	8,708	8,341	367	4.2	Hartford	51,923	48,333	3,590	6.9
Shelton	21,497	20,697	800	3.7	Hartland	1,129	1,102	27	2.4
Southbury	8,523	8,194	329	3.9	Harwinton	3,167	3,073	94	3.0
Stamford	70,127	67,426	2,701	3.9	Hebron	5,468	5,319	149	2.7
Stratford	26,460	25,299	1,161	4.4	Lebanon	3,934	3,843	91	2.3
Trumbull	17,208	16,688	520	3.0	Manchester	32,405	31,170	1,235	3.8
Weston	4,219	4,098	121	2.9	Mansfield	12,151	11,872	279	2.3
Westport	12,637	12,284	353	2.8	Marlborough	3,523	3,422	101	2.9
Wilton	8,138	7,912	226	2.8	Middletown	25,673	24,692	981	3.8
Woodbridge	4,664	4,554	110	2.4	New Britain	36,352	34,133	2,219	6.1
					New Hartford	3,893	3,801	92	2.4
DANBURY	103,597	100,293	3,304	3.2	Newington	16,880	16,342	538	3.2
Bethel	10,780	10,401	379	3.5	Plainville	10,282	9,904	378	3.7
Bridgewater	822	790	32	3.9	Plymouth	6,515	6,235	280	4.3
Brookfield	9,005	8,736	269	3.0	Portland	5,367	5,186	181	3.4
Danbury	45,728	44,374	1,354	3.0	Rocky Hill	11,482	11,148	334	2.9
New Fairfield	6,905	6,668	237	3.4	Scotland	933	912	21	2.3
New Milford	14,695	14,173	522	3.6	Simsbury	13,816	13,466	350	2.5
Newtown	13,828	13,386	442	3.2	Southington	24,424	23,629	795	3.3
Sherman	1,832	1,764	68	3.7	South Windsor	14,226	13,795	431	3.0
					Stafford	6,790	6,526	264	3.9
ENFIELD	49,606	47,905	1,701	3.4	Thomaston	4,624	4,496	128	2.8
East Windsor	6,691	6,443	248	3.7	Tolland	8,418	8,203	215	2.6
Enfield	22,744	21,919	825	3.6	Union	461	449	12	2.6
Somers	4,972	4,817	155	3.1	Vernon	17,235	16,655	580	3.4
Suffield	7,650	7,423	227	3.0	West Hartford	34,136	33,210	926	2.7
Windsor Locks	7,548	7,303	245	3.2	Wethersfield	13,815	13,316	499	3.6
					Willington	3,562	3,488	74	2.1
HARTFORD	612,783	589,557	23,226	3.8	Windham	11,994	11,550	444	3.7
Andover	1,898	1,855	43	2.3	Windsor	16,353	15,728	625	3.8
Ashford	2,520	2,460	60	2.4					
Avon	9,295	9,054	241	2.6					
Barkhamsted	2,238	2,180	58	2.6					
Berlin	11,628	11,268	360	3.1					
Bloomfield	11,660	11,168	492	4.2					
Bolton	3,098	3,029	69	2.2					
Bristol	32,530	31,099	1,431	4.4					
Burlington	5,691	5,514	177	3.1					

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LABOR FORCE CONCEPTS

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

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

LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES BY TOWN

Town

(By Place of Residence - Not Seasonally Adjusted)

APRIL 2022

LMA/TOWNS	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYED	UNEMPLOYED	%
NEW HAVEN	328,165	316,789	11,376	3.5
Bethany	3,206	3,099	107	3.3
Branford	16,143	15,682	461	2.9
Cheshire	15,757	15,361	396	2.5
Chester	2,352	2,299	53	2.3
Clinton	7,372	7,174	198	2.7
Deep River	2,880	2,808	72	2.5
Durham	4,347	4,228	119	2.7
East Haven	15,880	15,236	644	4.1
Essex	3,454	3,370	84	2.4
Guilford	13,073	12,736	337	2.6
Hamden	35,497	34,358	1,139	3.2
Killingworth	3,852	3,775	77	2.0
Madison	9,121	8,913	208	2.3
Meriden	32,413	30,790	1,623	5.0
Middlefield	2,544	2,476	68	2.7
New Haven	65,476	62,766	2,710	4.1
North Branford	8,315	8,036	279	3.4
North Haven	13,515	13,138	377	2.8
Old Saybrook	5,151	5,008	143	2.8
Orange	7,391	7,210	181	2.4
Wallingford	26,444	25,597	847	3.2
West Haven	30,307	29,150	1,157	3.8
Westbrook	3,679	3,581	98	2.7

*NORWICH-NEW LONDON-WESTERLY, CT PART				
	118,640	113,727	4,913	4.1
Bozrah	1,439	1,399	40	2.8
Canterbury	2,795	2,658	137	4.9
East Lyme	8,124	7,818	306	3.8
Franklin	1,002	969	33	3.3
Griswold	5,994	5,715	279	4.7
Groton	17,182	16,550	632	3.7
Ledyard	7,474	7,220	254	3.4
Lisbon	2,245	2,130	115	5.1
Lyme	1,130	1,100	30	2.7
Montville	8,563	8,229	334	3.9
New London	11,393	10,760	633	5.6
No. Stonington	2,764	2,668	96	3.5
Norwich	18,937	18,006	931	4.9
Old Lyme	3,500	3,384	116	3.3
Preston	2,293	2,197	96	4.2
Salem	1,995	1,931	64	3.2
Sprague	1,521	1,436	85	5.6
Stonington	9,305	9,008	297	3.2
Voluntown	1,374	1,325	49	3.6
Waterford	9,606	9,222	384	4.0

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

NORWICH-NEW LONDON-WESTERLY, CT-RI				
	133,876	128,533	5,343	4.0
RI part (Hopkinton and Westerly)	15,236	14,806	430	2.8

LMA/TOWNS	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYED	UNEMPLOYED	%
TORRINGTON-NORTHWEST	45,911	44,359	1,552	3.4
Canaan	633	617	16	2.5
Colebrook	819	777	42	5.1
Cornwall	761	740	21	2.8
Goshen	1,616	1,573	43	2.7
Kent	1,480	1,436	44	3.0
Litchfield	4,698	4,582	116	2.5
Morris	1,405	1,360	45	3.2
Norfolk	885	862	23	2.6
North Canaan	1,715	1,678	37	2.2
Roxbury	1,310	1,283	27	2.1
Salisbury	1,803	1,752	51	2.8
Sharon	1,477	1,440	37	2.5
Torrington	18,570	17,800	770	4.1
Warren	784	758	26	3.3
Washington	2,044	1,986	58	2.8
Winchester	5,910	5,714	196	3.3

WATERBURY				
	108,414	103,292	5,122	4.7
Beacon Falls	3,514	3,376	138	3.9
Bethlehem	1,893	1,828	65	3.4
Middlebury	3,941	3,816	125	3.2
Naugatuck	16,835	16,046	789	4.7
Prospect	5,544	5,368	176	3.2
Waterbury	48,893	45,996	2,897	5.9
Watertown	12,640	12,229	411	3.3
Wolcott	9,727	9,401	326	3.4
Woodbury	5,428	5,233	195	3.6

DANIELSON-NORTHEAST				
	42,484	40,957	1,527	3.6
Brooklyn	4,081	3,924	157	3.8
Eastford	998	961	37	3.7
Hampton	1,024	1,000	24	2.3
Killingly	9,466	9,102	364	3.8
Plainfield	8,381	8,128	253	3.0
Pomfret	2,481	2,407	74	3.0
Putnam	4,745	4,549	196	4.1
Sterling	1,984	1,903	81	4.1
Thompson	5,206	5,016	190	3.6
Woodstock	4,119	3,968	151	3.7

Not Seasonally Adjusted:				
CONNECTICUT	1,863,700	1,793,700	69,900	3.8
UNITED STATES	163,449,000	157,991,000	5,458,000	3.3
Seasonally Adjusted:				
CONNECTICUT	1,888,100	1,804,200	83,900	4.4
UNITED STATES	164,046,000	158,105,000	5,941,000	3.6

LABOR FORCE CONCEPTS (Continued)

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

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

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

TOWN	APR 2022	YR TO DATE 2022	2021	TOWN	APR 2022	YR TO DATE 2022	2021	TOWN	APR 2022	YR TO DATE 2022	2021
Andover	0	0	2	Griswold	13	31	8	Preston	1	3	7
Ansonia	0	0	na	Groton	1	7	na	Prospect	1	2	0
Ashford	0	0	na	Guilford	3	10	na	Putnam	1	7	na
Avon	2	5	4	Haddam	1	4	5	Redding	1	1	4
Barkhamsted	1	1	na	Hamden	0	0	na	Ridgefield	2	5	5
Beacon Falls	1	7	na	Hampton	0	0	na	Rocky Hill	1	1	1
Berlin	3	7	11	Hartford	0	3	3	Roxbury	0	2	na
Bethany	0	1	na	Hartland	1	1	0	Salem	0	2	na
Bethel	5	26	39	Harwinton	1	4	na	Salisbury	2	3	na
Bethlehem	0	0	na	Hebron	1	5	6	Scotland	0	0	na
Bloomfield	5	8	12	Kent	1	2	3	Seymour	0	8	na
Bolton	0	0	3	Killingly	2	7	na	Sharon	0	2	na
Bozrah	0	0	na	Killingworth	0	3	0	Shelton	1	25	50
Branford	6	14	17	Lebanon	1	2	2	Sherman	1	1	3
Bridgeport	5	22	15	Ledyard	4	12	na	Simsbury	2	26	14
Bridgewater	0	0	0	Lisbon	1	3	na	Somers	5	9	6
Bristol	8	11	25	Litchfield	2	8	na	South Windsor	0	3	7
Brookfield	0	3	8	Lyme	0	3	0	Southbury	2	8	na
Brooklyn	0	2	2	Madison	1	4	na	Southington	5	13	47
Burlington	1	6	12	Manchester	1	5	7	Sprague	0	1	1
Canaan	0	1	na	Mansfield	1	3	4	Stafford	1	3	6
Canterbury	1	5	na	Marlborough	0	0	0	Stamford	13	21	34
Canton	1	1	2	Meriden	1	2	na	Sterling	0	2	na
Chaplin	0	0	na	Middlebury	3	43	na	Stonington	1	10	na
Cheshire	3	12	14	Middlefield	0	2	2	Stratford	1	3	20
Chester	0	0	1	Middletown	2	8	7	Suffield	4	9	15
Clinton	0	4	7	Milford	16	62	65	Thomaston	0	0	na
Colchester	1	5	5	Monroe	0	2	5	Thompson	1	7	na
Colebrook	1	2	na	Montville	2	5	na	Tolland	3	8	6
Columbia	0	1	0	Morris	0	0	na	Torrington	1	2	na
Cornwall	0	0	na	Naugatuck	6	10	na	Trumbull	6	29	46
Coventry	1	3	5	New Britain	3	8	4	Union	0	0	3
Cromwell	1	3	4	New Canaan	2	46	10	Vernon	10	53	27
Danbury	2	30	20	New Fairfield	0	2	2	Voluntown	1	1	4
Darien	3	9	147	New Hartford	1	4	na	Wallingford	2	8	10
Deep River	1	4	1	New Haven	22	220	160	Warren	0	1	na
Derby	0	2	na	New London	4	13	16	Washington	0	6	na
Durham	0	1	0	New Milford	10	17	na	Waterbury	3	8	4
East Granby	1	1	7	Newington	0	1	0	Waterford	2	6	na
East Haddam	4	9	3	Newtown	64	73	28	Watertown	2	4	na
East Hampton	2	5	7	Norfolk	0	0	na	West Hartford	8	33	36
East Hartford	0	2	2	North Branford	1	3	na	West Haven	0	5	na
East Haven	0	3	na	North Canaan	0	0	na	Westbrook	1	3	5
East Lyme	18	38	12	North Haven	1	6	na	Weston	1	2	4
East Windsor	0	2	3	North Stonington	1	4	na	Westport	7	23	24
Eastford	1	2	na	Norwalk	3	28	47	Wethersfield	0	3	0
Easton	0	2	4	Norwich	0	1	2	Willington	1	1	4
Ellington	11	46	46	Old Lyme	1	4	na	Wilton	1	3	1
Enfield	1	3	18	Old Saybrook	0	3	5	Winchester	0	1	na
Essex	3	4	1	Orange	2	2	na	Windham	0	1	1
Fairfield	1	44	49	Oxford	3	30	12	Windsor	2	4	10
Farmington	5	10	18	Plainfield	3	7	na	Windsor Locks	0	3	0
Franklin	1	2	na	Plainville	1	4	5	Wolcott	2	14	9
Gastonbury	1	4	14	Plainouth	1	2	na	Woodbridge	0	1	na
Goshen	2	3	na	Pomfret	0	0	na	Woodbury	0	3	5
Granby	2	11	4	Portland	0	1	1	Woodstock	2	5	na
Greenwich	12	33	57								

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

BUSINESS STARTS AND TERMINATIONS

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

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

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

EMPLOYMENT COST INDEX

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

GAMING DATA

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

HOURS AND EARNINGS ESTIMATES

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

INITIAL CLAIMS

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

INSURED UNEMPLOYMENT RATE

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

LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES

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

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NONFARM EMPLOYMENT ESTIMATES

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

UI COVERED WAGES

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

ECONOMIC INDICATORS AT A GLANCE

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

Leading General Drift Indicator.....	2.1	CT Mfg. Production Index	4.3	Tourism and Travel	
Coincident General Drift Indicator.....	0.7	Production Worker Hours.....	4.4	Occupancy Rate.....	24.3
Connecticut Real GDP.....	4.7	Industrial Electricity Sales.....	1.5	Tourism Website Visitors.....	-4.5
United States Real GDP.....	5.5	Personal Income	6.1	Air Passenger Count.....	96.7
New England Real GDP.....	5.7	UI Covered Wages	7.8	Gaming Slots.....	-1.7
Connecticut PCPI.....	5.8	Business Activity		Employment Cost Index (U.S.)	
United States PCPI.....	7.0	New Housing Permits.....	-41.2	Total.....	4.8
New England PCPI.....	6.2	Electricity Sales.....	1.9	Wages & Salaries.....	5.0
Phil. Fed's CT Coincident Index....	7.4	Construction Contracts Index.....	-32.1	Benefit Costs.....	4.1
Phil. Fed's US Coincident Index...	5.7	New Auto Registrations.....	-27.4	Consumer Prices	
		Exports.....	-1.5	U.S. City Average.....	8.3
		S&P 500: Monthly Close.....	-1.2	Northeast Region.....	7.2
Total Nonfarm Employment	3.0	Business Starts		NY-Newark-Jersey City.....	6.3
Labor Force.....	1.9	Secretary of the State.....	NA	Boston-Cambridge-Newton...	7.3
Employed.....	4.6	Dept. of Labor.....	1.4	Interest Rates	
Unemployed.....	-35.2	Business Terminations		Prime.....	0.25 *
Unemployment Rate	-2.6 *	Secretary of the State.....	NA	Conventional Mortgage.....	1.92 *
Labor Force Participation Rate...	0.7 *	Dept. of Labor.....	-16.0		
Employment-Population Ratio...	2.4 *	State Revenues	NA		
Average Weekly Initial Claims ..	-46.9	Corporate Tax.....	NA		
Avg Insured Unempl. Rate	-3.20 *	Personal Income Tax.....	NA		
U-6 Rate	-6.0 *	Real Estate Conveyance Tax..	NA		
Prod. Worker Avg Wkly Hrs	0.0	Sales & Use Tax.....	NA		
PW Avg Hourly Earnings	-1.6	Gaming Payments.....	-5.0		
PW Avg Weekly Earnings	-1.6				

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

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