

**NEW WEEKLY JOB POSTINGS FROM
HELP WANTED ONLINE
Office of Research**

**Week Ending September 19th, 2020
Total New Job Ads Flat Over The Week**

WETHERSFIELD, September 25th, 2020 – During the week ending September 19th, 2020, there were 4,745 new postings. New postings are up 30 new ads from a week ago and up 124 from four weeks ago. This low over the week change was driven by 11 increasing industries, the largest being Health Care and Social Assistance (+150 new ads) and 10 decreasing industries, the largest decrease being Accommodation and Food Services (-148 new ads). Over Four weeks, the largest increases occurring in Finance and Insurance (+124 new ads or +33%) and Health Care and Social Assistance (+62 new ads or +8%).

**Industries** with the most new postings include Health & Social Assistance, Retail Trade and Finance & Insurance.

**Occupations** with the most new postings include Retail Salespersons, Customer Service Representatives, and Registered Nurses.

**Employers** with the most new postings include Hartford Healthcare, Amazon and Cigna Corporation.

**The three industries with the most new job postings where**

* **Health Care and Social Assistance** (838 new postings, +22% over the week)
* **Retail Trade** (717 new postings, -1% over the week)
* **Finance & Insurance** (498 new postings, +13% over the week)

  11 sectors had job posting increases over the week and 10 had decreases. Some of the largest percent increases occurred in Wholesale Trade (+107% or +15 new ads), Utilities (+76% or +16 new ads), and Manufacturing (+26% or +68 new ads). Increasing sectors had a combined 395 ad increase over the week and declining sectors fell by 365. Major sectors with large decreases over the week include Accommodation and Food Service (-45% or -148 new ads) and Educational Services (-35% or -76 new ads).

For more information on total job ads by industry for Connecticut and its labor market areas, see the monthly report available here: <https://www1.ctdol.state.ct.us/lmi/hwol.asp>

The June 2020 edition of the Connecticut Economic Digest features an article on HWOL: <https://www1.ctdol.state.ct.us/lmi/digest/pdfs/cedjun20.pdf>

**New Job Postings by Occupation**

**The occupations with the most new postings during the week ending 9/12/20 were:**

* Retail Salespersons (230 new postings, -16% over the week)
* Customer Service Representatives (163 new postings, +26% over the week)
* Sales Representatives (145 new postings, +48% over the week)



**Employers with the Most New Job Postings**

Employers with the most new job postings for the week ending September 19th were mostly in Retail Trade and Finance & Insurance. The 25 employers shown above account for 22.5 percent of all new ads for the week ending September 19th, 2020. The employers with the largest increase over the week were Hartford Healthcare (+144 new ads), Gamestop Incorporated (+52 new ads), and Quest Diagnostics (+40 new ads). Two out of 25 employers had over the week declines, they where Travelers (-20 new ads) and Lowe’s Companies, Inc (-5 new ads).

**Covid-19 and Weekly New Job Postings**
In recent months, the pandemic Coronavirus (Covid-19) has caused significant social and economic implications throughout the world.

This HWOL report includes new weekly job postings to illustrate how Covid-19 has impacted Connecticut in the short term and highlight recent job postings in the weeks since the virus disrupted both the economy and labor markets.

**What is HWOL?**The **Conference Board Help Wanted Online**® Data Series (HWOL) measures the number of new, first-time Online job postings 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.

**To view more HWOL data, go to:** [**https://www1.ctdol.state.ct.us/lmi/pubs/HWOL2020.pdf**](https://www1.ctdol.state.ct.us/lmi/pubs/HWOL2020.pdf)