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In October...

Nonfarm Employment Connecticut1,681,800	
Change over month +0.21% Change over year	
United States	
Unemployment Rate Connecticut6.4% United States5.8%	
Consumer Price Index United States 237.433 Change over year +1.7%	

Connecticut's Work-Related Fatalities, 1992-2013

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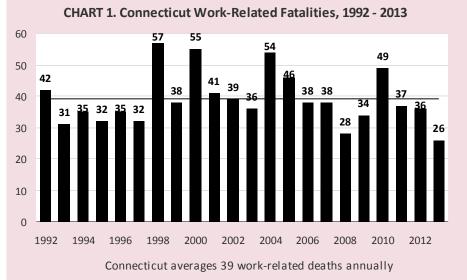
o one should have to sacrifice their life for their livelihood, because a nation built on the dignity of work must provide safe working conditions for its people." –Secretary of Labor Thomas E. Perez

In 2013, work injuries claimed the lives of 4,405 workers in America. Twenty-six of those deaths occurred in Connecticut.

Since 1992, the U.S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics has conducted the annual Census of Fatal Occupational Injuries (CFOI) to document workplace fatalities. Connecticut averages 39 workrelated fatalities annually with a high of 57 in 1998 (Chart 1). In

2013, Connecticut saw the lowest recorded number of 26 lost workers. This "low" number is not statistically notable and cannot be attributed to a specific cause. However, it cannot be stressed enough that what is statistically unremarkable has a devastating impact on loved ones. One workrelated death is one too many. As Dr. David Michaels, the Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health, states, "Making a living shouldn't have to cost you your life. Workplace fatalities, injuries, and illnesses are preventable. Safe jobs happen because employers make the choice to fulfill their responsibilities and protect their workers."

The CFOI program requires a minimum of two sources to verify



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TABLE 1. Connecticut & U.S. Fatal Occupational Injuries 1992 - 2013

ANNUAL NUMBERS AND RATES¹

	C	Т	U. 9	S.
Year	Number	Rate per 100,000	Number	Rate per 100,000
			d for individua r 100,000 work	
1992	42	n/a	6,217	5.2
1993	31	n/a	6,331	5.2
1994	35	n/a	6,632	5.3
1995	32	n/a	6,275	4.9
1996	35	n/a	6,202	4.8
1997	32	2.0	6,238	4.8
1998	57	3.3	6,055	4.5
1999	38	2.3	6,054	4.5
2000	55	3.2	5,920	4.3
2001 ²	41	2.4	5,915	4.3
2002	39	2.3	5,534	4.0
2003	36	2.1	5,575	4.0
2004	54	3.1	5,764	4.1
2005	46	2.7	5,734	4.0
Rates for 2006	forward are	<u>per 100,000 fu</u>	<u>III-time equival</u>	ent workers
2006	38	2.3	5,840	4.2
2007	38	2.2	5,657	4.0
2008	28	1.6	5,214	3.7
2009	34	2.0	4,551	3.5
2010	49	3.0	4,690	3.6
2011	37	2.2	4,693	3.5
2012 ³	36	2.1	4,628	3.4
2013 ³	26		4,405	3.2

n/a: Prior to 1997, annual fatality rates were not calculated on a state-wide basis.

¹ Fatality rates for 1992-2005 are based on number employed and calculated as Rate = (Fatal work injuries/Employment) x 100,000.

In 2006, the methodology was changed to take into account the amount of hours worked by employees. Rates are expressed per 100,000 full-time equivalent workers (FTEs). The total hours worked are calculated from the Current Population Survey (CPS).

²Data for 2001 exclude fatalities resulting from the September 11 terrorist attacks, which accounted for an additional 2.886 work-related fatalities.

³Totals for 2012 are revised and final. Totals for 2013 are preliminary. Final data are scheduled to be released in April 2015.

-- State rates will not be available until April 2015.

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, in cooperation with State and Federal agencies, Census of Fatal Occupational Injuries

a work-related death. Multiple sources are utilized: news media, autopsy reports, death certificates, police reports, etc. Each case is categorized by industry, occupation, number of employees, and demographics such as age and country of origin. Incidents are coded for nature of injury, part of body affected, event, and source of injury. All cases are kept strictly

confidential. Any information that may identify a specific person or company is not published.

Rates

Nationally the 2013 fatality rate was 3.2 deaths for every 100,000 full-time equivalent workers (Table 1). The rate is calculated as fatal work injuries divided by total hours worked

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TABLE 2. Fatal Occupational Injuries by State 2013

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¹ Data for 2013 are preliminary.

² A state of incident could not be determined for three fatalities.

multiplied by 100,000. Total hours worked are estimated from the Current Population Survey (CPS). State rates will not be available until April 2015. Due to high employment in low-risk industries, Connecticut consistently has a low fatality rate. In 2012, the national rate was 3.4. Connecticut, with a rate of 2.1, was among the five states with the lowest rates. North Dakota and Wyoming were among the highest rates at 17.7 and 12.2, respectively. Thirtyeight percent of North Dakota's 55 deaths were in the natural resources and mining industry. In 2013, Texas and California again had the highest number of deaths with 493 and 385, respectively (Table 2).

Demographics

Of the 26 deaths in Connecticut last year, 25 were men. The 55 to 64 age range, with ten deaths, saw the most deaths. Fifty-four percent were self-employed. When looking at numbers for the past three years, the percentage of self-employed drops to 36 percent. Nationally, hours at work are almost evenly divided between men and women. However, men have a disproportionate number of deaths - 93 percent of deaths in 2013. The 45-54 age range accounted for 24 percent of deaths; 20 percent were selfemployed.

Event Characteristics

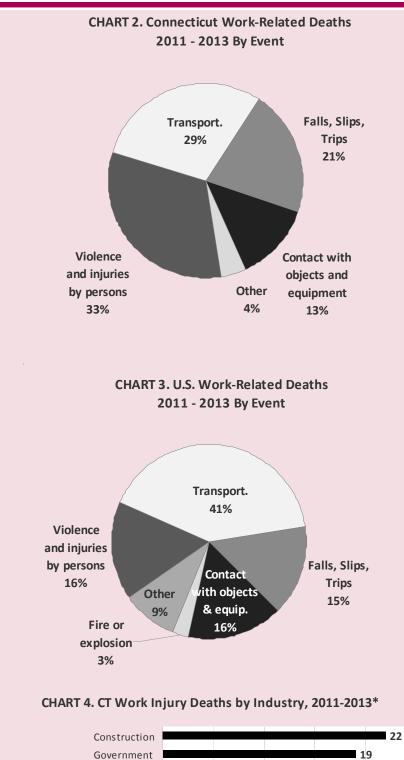
Coding criteria for the type of event are specific, but in general the following precedence is used: violence, transportation, fires and explosions, falls, exposure, and contact with objects. The violence category primarily consists of homicides and suicides. Also included are unintentional injuries by others, such as friendly-fire accidents, and animal related incidents such as bull attacks. In 2013 Connecticut recorded seven deaths in the violence category, 4 of which were suicides. From 2011 to 2013, this category accounted for 33 percent of Connecticut's work deaths (Chart 2).

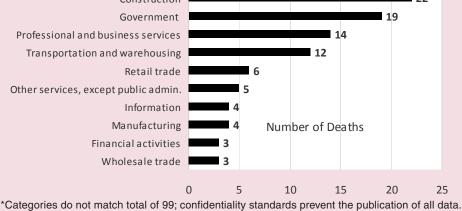
Transportation incidents are all-inclusive: air, rail, water, and roadway. Also included are pedestrians struck by vehicles, animal transportation accidents, bicycle accidents, and nonroadway incidents. National data consistently shows transportation as the leading cause of workplace fatalities (40% in 2013). Connecticut saw seven transportation deaths in 2013, slightly lower than 2012's count of nine.

Falls, slips and trips are categorized by height of the fall. The category also includes falls to the same level. In 2013, Connecticut saw 6 fatal falls, all of them to a lower level. Confidentiality requirements prevented the publication of Connecticut data by the height of the fall. Nationally, falls to lower levels claimed 453 lives. Heights are broken down to six groups, ranging from less than 6 feet to more than 30 feet. Of the falls where the distance was known, 19 percent were from 11 to 15 feet. At 17 percent, the less than 6 feet category was second. With 6 percent, the smallest group was the 26 to 30 foot height (Chart 3).

Five of Connecticut's deaths occurred in the contact with objects and equipment category, accounting for 19 percent of deaths. This category includes being struck by powered vehicles such as forklifts, being struck by a falling object, and caught in running machinery. Nationally, this category accounted for 16 percent of deaths.

For the past three years, Connecticut did not have any publishable data in the categories of fires and explosions or exposure to harmful substances and environments. Nationally, they accounted for 7 percent and





3 percent, respectively, of deaths in 2013.

Industry

In the past three years, Connecticut lost 99 employees to work-related fatalities. Twentytwo percent were in the Construction industry followed by Transportation and Warehousing with 12 percent (Chart 4). The Government sector represented 19 percent of deaths. Of the 26 deaths in 2013, seven were in the construction industry, one in transportation and warehousing, and three in the government sector.

Nationally, the construction industry sector claimed 796 lives, for 18 percent of the total 4,405. The transportation and warehousing industry sector followed with 16 percent, or 687 deaths. The agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting sector was third with 479 deaths. However, this sector saw the highest rate: 22.2 deaths per 100,000 full-time equivalent workers.

Occupations

The occupational group of construction and extraction workers accounted for 23 percent of Connecticut deaths in 2013. The installation, maintenance and repair occupational group, along with the transportation and material moving operations, claimed 19 percent each for a total of 10 deaths. This closely represents the aggregate percentages for 2011 – 2013.

Nationally, the transportation and material moving operations group accounted for 27 percent of deaths, followed by the construction and extraction group with 19 percent. When looking at individual occupations, drivers, sales workers and truck drivers claimed the most lives (748). Logging workers had the highest rate of 91.3 deaths per 100,000 full-time equivalent workers.

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History of the Program

When President Nixon signed the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 (OSHA) into law, a census of work place fatalities did not exist. It was estimated that approximately 14,000 workers were killed on the job annually. While OSHA immediately began investigating workplace deaths, the U.S. Department of Labor did not have a comprehensive statistical program dedicated to documenting workplace deaths.

OSHA requires all employers to report workplace fatalities within eight hours. However, OSHA does not require employers to report all fatalities. Employers are not required to report street and highway transportation deaths unless they occur in a construction work zone. Likewise, deaths on commercial or public transportation systems (airplane, subway, bus, train, etc.) do not require reporting. Furthermore, employers do not need to report deaths occurring more than 30 days after the incident. Beginning January 1, 2015, employers will also be required to report amputations, in-patient hospitalizations, and loss of eye within twenty four hours.

In 1992, the Bureau of Labor Statistics' Census of Fatal Occupational Injuries (CFOI) was established to track all workrelated deaths and collect the much needed data. That first year, 6,217 deaths were documented nationally, 42 of which were in Connecticut. Since then, national numbers have dropped by 29 percent to a preliminary count of 4,405 for 2013. During the same time period, employment rose 21 percent.

Since 1992, the CFOI program has seen several changes. Prior to 2006, rates were calculated per 100,000 workers. Now the rates take into account the number of hours spent in the workplace, resulting in rates per 100,000 full-time equivalent workers. Changes in occupation and industry coding occurred as the Standard **Occupational Classification** replaced the Dictionary of Occupational Titles and the Standard Industry Classification was replaced by the North American Industry Classification. The coding structure for nature, part, event, and sources was changed in 2011. Recently, the program began tracking contractor status, the use of drugs or alcohol, seat belt use, and more. The program continues to develop to meet needs of researchers. The data will continue to be used to create engineering solutions, regulations, and education programs to minimize work place deaths.

GENERAL ECONOMIC INDICATORS

(Seasonally adjusted)	2Q 2014	2Q 2013	CHANGE NO. %	1Q 2014
General Drift Indicator (1986=100)*				
Leading	109.7	106.9	2.8 2.6	111.5
Coincident	109.7	109.3	0.4 0.4	109.6
Farmington Bank Business Barometer (1992=100)**	127.6	127.0	0.6 0.5	127.5
Philadelphia Fed's Coincident Index (July 1992=100)***	OCT	ОСТ		SEP
(Seasonally adjusted)	2014	2013	F 70 0 7	2014
Connecticut United States	158.83 160.12	153.10 154.99	5.73 3.7 5.13 3.3	158.26 159.66

Sources: *The Connecticut Economy, University of Connecticut **Farmington Bank ***Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia

The Connecticut Econom/s 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 four leading (housing permits, manufacturing average weekly hours, Hartford help-wanted advertising, and initial unemployment claims) economic variables, and are indexed so 1986 = 100.

The Farmington Bank Business Barometer is a measure of overall economic growth in the state of Connecticut that is derived from non-manufacturing employment, real disposable personal income, and manufacturing production.

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).

STATE ECONOMIC INDICATORS

Total nonfarm employment increased over the year.

Total nonfarm EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY SECTOR

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	OCT	ОСТ	CHAN	IGE	SEP
(Seasonally adjusted; 000s)	2014	2013	NO.	%	2014
TOTAL NONFARM	1,681.8	1,658.8	23.0	1.4	1,678.2
Natural Res & Mining	0.6	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.6
Construction	57.2	54.5	2.7	5.0	57.3
Manufacturing	163.3	163.4	-0.1	-0.1	163.4
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	308.3	300.2	8.1	2.7	306.8
Information	31.5	31.6	-0.1	-0.3	31.6
Financial Activities	129.5	131.3	-1.8	-1.4	129.9
Professional and Business Services	207.5	205.5	2.0	1.0	206.8
Education and Health Services	331.1	324.7	6.4	2.0	328.7
Leisure and Hospitality	154.5	150.4	4.1	2.7	153.5
Other Services	62.5	61.7	0.8	1.3	62.5
Government*	235.8	234.9	0.9	0.4	237.1

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

Initial claims for unemployment insurance decreased from a year ago.

UNEMPLOYMENT				
	ОСТ	ОСТ	CHANGE	SEP
(Seasonally adjusted)	2014	2013	NO. %	2014
Labor Force, resident (000s)	1,886.3	1,850.6	35.7 1.9	1,875.6
Employed (000s)	1,764.7	1,709.5	55.2 3.2	1,755.8
Unemployed (000s)	121.6	141.1	-19.5 -13.8	119.8
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.4	7.6	-1.2	6.4
Average Weekly Initial Claims	4,101	4,805	-704 -14.7	4,190
Avg. Insured Unemp. Rate (%)	2.83	3.08	-0.24	2.68
	3Q2014	3Q2013		2Q2014
U-6 Rate (%)	12.8	14.1	-1.3	13.2

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

The production worker weekly earnings rose over the year.

MANUFACTURING ACTIVITY									
	OCT	OCT	CHA	NGE	SEP	AUG			
(Not seasonally adjusted)	2014	2013	NO.	%	2014	2014			
Production Worker Avg Weekly Hours	40.3	40.9	-0.6	-1.5	40.6				
Prod. Worker Avg Hourly Earnings	23.31	21.39	1.92	9.0	22.84				
Prod. Worker Avg Weekly Earnings	939.39	874.85	64.54	7.4	927.30				
CT Mfg. Production Index (2005=100)	91.3	88.8	2.5	2.8	95.0	101.0			
Production Worker Hours (000s)	4,010	3,971	39	1.0	4,028				
Industrial Electricity Sales (mil kWh)*	285	283	1.6	0.5	301	330			

Sources: Connecticut Department of Labor; U.S. Department of Energy *Latest two months are forecasted.

Personal income for second quarter 2015 is forecasted to increase 3.1 percent from a year earlier.

INCOME					
(Seasonally adjusted)	2Q*	2Q	CHAN	NGE	1Q*
(Annualized; \$ Millions)	2015	2014	NO.	%	2015
Personal Income	\$231,448	\$224,461	6,987	3.1	\$228,458
UI Covered Wages	\$106,412	\$104,354	2,058	2.0	\$104,604

Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis *Forecasted by Connecticut Department of Labor

ECONOMIC INDICATOR

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New auto registrations rose over the year.

			BU	SINESS	ACTI\	/ITY
			Y/Y %	YEAR T	O DATE	%
	MONTH	LEVEL	CHG	CURRENT	PRIOR	CHG
New Housing Permits*	OCT 2014	433	-20.4	4,729	5,185	-8.8
Electricity Sales (mil kWh)	SEP 2014	2,505	0.4	22,739	22,825	-0.4
Construction Contracts						
Index (1980=100)	OCT 2014	296.6	-43.3			
New Auto Registrations	OCT 2014	19,884	14.4	167,534	162,586	3.0
Air Cargo Tons (000s)	OCT 2014	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Exports (Bil. \$)	3Q 2014	3.90	-3.1	11.99	12.53	-4.3
S&P 500: Monthly Close	OCT 2014	2,018.05	14.9			

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; Connecticut Department of Transportation, Bureau of Aviation and Ports

* Estimated by the Bureau of the Census

BUSI	NESS S	TART	S AN	D TERM	INATI	ONS
			Y/Y %	//Y % YEAR TO DATE		
	MO/QTR	LEVEL	CHG	CURRENT	PRIOR	CHG
STARTS						
Secretary of the State	OCT 2014	2,294	-4.0	22,698	21,905	3.6
Department of Labor	1Q2014	2,078	-13.5	2,078	2,401	-13.5
TERMINATIONS						
Secretary of the State	OCT 2014	860	-29.4	7,943	11,523	-31.1
Department of Labor	1Q2014	1,375	-17.4	1,375	1,665	-17.4

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

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

				STATE R	EVENI	JES	
				YEAR	TO DATE		
	ОСТ	ОСТ	%			%	
(Millions of dollars)	2014	2013	CHG	CURRENT	PRIOR	CHG	
TOTAL ALL REVENUES*	1,361.2	1,400.4	-2.8	14,002.0	14,453.8	-3.1	
Corporate Tax	31.4	73.5	-57.3	573.2	671.9	-14.7	
Personal Income Tax	558.1	541.9	3.0	7,511.9	7,591.6	-1.0	
Real Estate Conv. Tax	16.9	20.0	-15.5	153.4	140.3	9.3	
Sales & Use Tax	378.8	360.0	5.2	3,433.0	3,360.2	2.2	
Indian Gaming Payments**	22.4	22.8	-1.5	229.7	244.8	-6.2	

Total all revenues were down from a year ago.

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						1
			Y/Y %	YEAF	TO DATE	%	t
	MONTH	LEVEL	CHG	CURRENT	PRIOR	CHG	
Info Center Visitors	OCT 2014	33,022	3.8	292,291	250,791	16.5	
Major Attraction Visitors	OCT 2014	106,659	8.7	1,399,889	1,422,164	-1.6	
Air Passenger Count	OCT 2014	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
Indian Gaming Slots (Mil.\$)*	OCT 2014	1,059.1	-1.3	10,976.8	11,638.4	-5.7	
Travel and Tourism Index**	2Q 2014		-0.9				

Sources: Connecticut Department of Transportation, Bureau of Aviation and Ports; Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism; Division of Special Revenue *See page 23 for explanation **The Connecticut Economy, University of Connecticut Indian gaming slots fell over the year.

STATE ECONOMIC INDICATORS

Compensation cost for the nation rose 2.3 percent over the year.

EMPLOYMENT COST INDEX

	Seasonally Adjusted			Not Seasonally Adjus		djusted
Private Industry Workers	SEP	JUN	3-Mo	SEP	SEP	12-Mo
(Dec. 2005 = 100)	2014	2014	% Chg	2014	2013	% Chg
UNITED STATES TOTAL	121.7	120.9	0.7	121.7	119.0	2.3
Wages and Salaries	121.1	120.2	0.7	121.2	118.5	2.3
Benefit Costs	123.2	122.5	0.6	123.1	120.3	2.3
NORTHEAST TOTAL				122.7	119.7	2.5
Wages and Salaries				121.7	118.7	2.5

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

U.S. inflation rate increased 1.7 percent over the year.

CONSUMER NEWS					
			% CHANGE		
(Not seasonally adjusted)	MO/QTR	LEVEL	Y/Y	P/P*	
CONSUMER PRICES CPI-U (1982-84=100)					
U.S. City Average	OCT 2014	237.433	1.7	-0.3	
Purchasing Power of \$ (1982-84=\$1.00)	OCT 2014	0.421	-1.6	0.3	
Northeast Region	OCT 2014	252.730	1.4	-0.2	
NY-Northern NJ-Long Island	OCT 2014	260.500	1.3	-0.2	
Boston-Brockton-Nashua** CPI-W (1982-84=100)	SEP 2014	255.878	1.6	0.2	
U.S. City Average	OCT 2014	233.229	1.5	-0.4	

Sources: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics; The Conference Board *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 4.04 percent over the month.

INTEREST RATES

	OCT	SEP	ОСТ
(Percent)	2014	2014	2013
Prime	3.25	3.25	3.25
Federal Funds	0.09	0.09	0.09
3 Month Treasury Bill	0.02	0.02	0.05
6 Month Treasury Bill	0.05	0.04	0.08
1 Year Treasury Note	0.10	0.11	0.12
3 Year Treasury Note	0.88	1.05	0.63
5 Year Treasury Note	1.55	1.77	1.37
7 Year Treasury Note	1.98	2.22	1.99
10 Year Treasury Note	2.30	2.53	2.62
20 Year Treasury Note	2.77	3.01	3.38
Conventional Mortgage	4.04	4.16	4.19

Sources: Federal Reserve; Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp.

COMPARATIVE REGIONAL DATA STATE

		NONFA	RM EM	PLO	YMENT
	ОСТ	ОСТ	СН	CHANGE	
(Seasonally adjusted; 000s)	2014	2013	NO.	%	2014
Connecticut	1,681.8	1,658.8	23.0	1.4	1,678.2
Maine	609.9	604.1	5.8	1.0	611.8
Massachusetts	3,424.6	3,372.0	52.6	1.6	3,423.4
New Hampshire	647.3	642.4	4.9	0.8	648.1
New Jersey	3,951.7	3,942.5	9.2	0.2	3,956.2
New York	9,043.5	8,942.7	100.8	1.1	9,049.1
Pennsylvania	5,802.3	5,754.1	48.2	0.8	5,789.7
Rhode Island	476.5	472.9	3.6	0.8	479.1
Vermont	308.1	305.9	2.2	0.7	307.2
United States	139,680.0	137,037.0	2,643.0	1.9	139,466.0

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

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

			LAE	BOR I	FORCE
	ОСТ	ОСТ	CH	ANGE	SEP
(Seasonally adjusted; 000s)	2014	2013	NO.	%	2014
Connecticut	1,886.3	1,850.6	35.7	1.9	1,875.6
Maine	703.8	708.9	-5.1	-0.7	704.2
Massachusetts	3,545.8	3,484.0	61.8	1.8	3,531.7
New Hampshire	739.8	741.0	-1.2	-0.2	739.0
New Jersey	4,528.8	4,507.3	21.5	0.5	4,504.0
New York	9,539.7	9,615.8	-76.1	-0.8	9,529.9
Pennsylvania	6,363.5	6,430.3	-66.8	-1.0	6,347.6
Rhode Island	555.4	552.0	3.4	0.6	555.8
Vermont	351.0	350.4	0.6	0.2	350.2
United States	156,278.0	154,625.0	1,653.0	1.1	155,862.0

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

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

	UN	EMPLC	YMENT	RATES	Eight states showed a decrease in its unem-
(Seasonally adjusted)	ОСТ 2014	ОСТ 2013	CHANGE	SEP 2014	ployment rate over the
Connecticut	6.4	7.6	-1.2	6.4	year.
Maine	5.8	6.5	-0.7	5.8	
Massachusetts	6.0	7.2	-1.2	6.0	
New Hampshire	4.2	5.2	-1.0	4.3	
New Jersey	6.6	7.7	-1.1	6.5	
New York	6.0	7.4	-1.4	6.2	
Pennsylvania	5.4	7.1	-1.7	5.7	
Rhode Island	7.4	9.4	-2.0	7.6	
Vermont	4.4	4.4	0.0	4.4	
United States	5.8	7.2	-1.4	5.9	

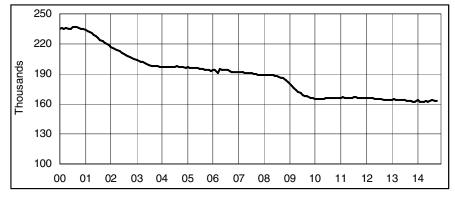
Source: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics

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STATE ECONOMIC INDICATOR TRENDS

CONSTRUCTION EMPLOYMENT (Seasonally adjusted) Thousands

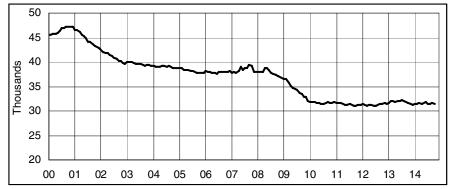
MANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT (Seasonally adjusted)







INFORMATION EMPLOYMENT (Seasonally adjusted)

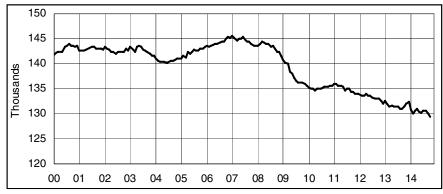


<u>Month</u>	2012	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>
Jan	52.4	52.9	55.4
Feb	52.4	53.0	56.7
Mar	52.3	53.2	56.0
Apr	51.4	53.5	56.4
May	50.6	53.7	55.4
Jun	50.7	53.7	55.7
Jul	51.0	53.8	56.0
Aug	51.1	54.0	57.0
Sep	51.3	54.0	57.3
Oct	52.0	54.5	57.2
Nov	51.9	55.2	
Dec	52.3	55.4	
200	02.0	00.1	
<u>Month</u>	2012	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>
Jan	166.0	164.5	163.8
Feb	166.4	164.6	161.7
Mar	165.7	164.4	162.1
Apr	165.6	164.5	161.9
May	165.5	164.2	162.7
Jun	165.2	164.1	162.5
Jul	164.9	164.1	162.7
Aug	164.7	163.5	163.9
Sep	164.0	163.2	163.4
Oct	164.3	163.4	163.3
Nov	164.2	162.3	
Dec	164.2	162.3	
<u>Month</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>
Jan	295.6	296.7	298.4
Feb	295.6	295.8	298.4
Mar	296.5	297.3	300.5
Apr	294.9	298.9	301.3
May	295.8	298.3	303.1
Jun	295.4	298.7	303.8
Jul	295.0	298.8	303.0
Aug	295.2	299.4	304.2
Sep	295.7	299.1	306.8
Oct	296.8	300.2	308.3
Nov	297.3	302.4	
Dec	296.6	301.9	

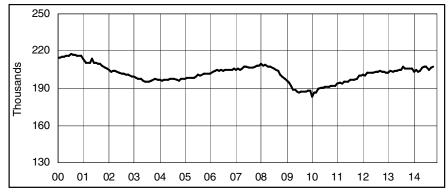
<u>Month</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>
Jan	31.5	31.7	31.4
Feb	31.3	32.1	31.5
Mar	31.1	32.1	31.7
Apr	31.2	31.8	31.5
Мау	31.2	32.0	31.7
Jun	31.0	32.1	31.8
Jul	31.1	32.3	31.5
Aug	31.3	32.1	31.4
Sep	31.5	31.8	31.6
Oct	31.5	31.6	31.5
Nov	31.6	31.5	
Dec	31.4	31.3	

ECONOMIC INDICATOR TRENDS STATE

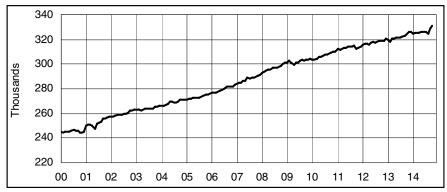
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES EMPLOYMENT (Seasonally adjusted)



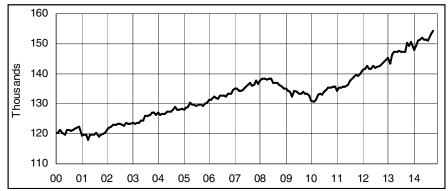
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERV. EMPLOYMENT (Seasonally adjusted)



EDUCATIONAL & HEALTH SERV. EMPLOYMENT (Seasonally adjusted)







Month	2012	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>
Jan	133.8	132.6	130.8
Feb	133.6	132.0	130.0
Mar	133.7	131.5	130.7
Apr	133.9	131.7	130.9
May	133.7	131.5	130.5
Jun	133.7	131.4	130.2
Jul	133.2	131.4	130.6
Aug	133.0	131.0	130.7
Sep	132.9	131.0	129.9
Oct	133.0	131.3	129.5
Nov	132.6	132.1	
Dec	132.0	132.3	

Month	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>
Jan	200.5	202.6	202.9
Feb	200.3	204.0	204.8
Mar	202.4	203.3	203.5
Apr	202.1	203.7	203.9
May	202.2	204.4	206.2
Jun	202.2	204.9	207.2
Jul	202.9	205.3	207.1
Aug	203.1	207.0	205.1
Sep	203.8	205.8	206.8
Oct	203.0	205.5	207.5
Nov	203.5	205.6	
Dec	202.5	205.5	

Month	2012	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>
Jan	315.5	319.4	325.0
Feb	316.6	318.4	325.6
Mar	316.8	320.2	325.6
Apr	315.7	320.7	325.5
May	317.0	321.1	325.9
Jun	317.9	321.4	326.3
Jul	317.6	321.4	326.3
Aug	317.9	322.4	325.0
Sep	318.9	322.8	328.7
Oct	318.6	324.7	331.1
Nov	318.9	325.9	
Dec	320.2	326.3	

<u>Month</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>
Jan	141.4	145.4	148.0
Feb	141.8	143.4	149.5
Mar	142.7	146.3	151.1
Apr	141.7	147.4	151.4
May	141.8	147.2	152.1
Jun	142.7	147.6	151.4
Jul	142.1	147.4	151.4
Aug	142.4	147.3	150.9
Sep	142.6	147.4	153.5
Oct	143.5	150.4	154.5
Nov	144.0	149.4	
Dec	144.8	150.6	

STATE NONFARM EMPLOYMENT ESTIMATES

CONNECTICUT	Not Seasonally Adjusted				
	ост	ост	СНА	NGE	SEP
	2014	2013	NO.	%	2014
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT	1,694,600	1,669,800	24,800		1,676,800
GOODS PRODUCING INDUSTRIES	1,454,500 225,200	1,430,600 220,700	23,900 4,500	2.0	1,441,800 224,500
CONSTRUCTION, NAT. RES. & MINING	61,300	57,400	3,900	6.8	60,900
MANUFACTURING	163,900	163,300	600	0.4	163,600
Durable Goods	125,400	126,300	-900	-0.7	125,500
Fabricated Metal	30,600	30,200	400	1.3	30,700
Machinery	14,000	14,100	-100	-0.7	13,900
Computer and Electronic Product	12,100	12,600	-500	-4.0	12,100
Transportation Equipment	40,600	40,700	-100	-0.2	40,700
Aerospace Product and Parts	28,100	28,100	0	0.0	28,100
Non-Durable Goods	38,500	37,000	1,500	4.1	38,100
Chemical	11,400	11,200	200	1.8	11,400
SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES	1,469,400	1,449,100	20,300	1.4	1,452,300
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, UTILITIES	307,900	300,700	7,200	2.4	304,500
Wholesale Trade	65,000	63,700	1,300	2.0	66,000
Retail Trade	187,600	183,600	4,000	2.2	183,800
Motor Vehicle and Parts Dealers	20,700	20,500	200	1.0	20,900
Building Material	15,500	15,100	400	2.6	15,500
Food and Beverage Stores	44,400	44,100	300	0.7	44,800
General Merchandise Stores	28,100	28,600	-500	-1.7	27,400
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities	55,300	53,400	1,900	3.6	54,700
Utilities	7,500	7,600	-100	-1.3	7,400
Transportation and Warehousing	47,800	45,800	2,000	4.4	47,300
INFORMATION	31,400	31,600	-200	-0.6	31,700
Telecommunications	9,000	9,100	-100	-1.1	9,300
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	129,400	131,400	-2,000	-1.5	129,700
Finance and Insurance	110,400	112,300	-1,900	-1.7	110,500
Credit Intermediation	26,300	26,700	-400	-1.5	26,300
Securities and Commodity Contracts	24,900	25,700	-800	-3.1	24,900
Insurance Carriers & Related Activities	59,200	59,900	-700	-1.2	59,300
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	19,000	19,100	-100	-0.5	19,200
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	209,900	207,000	2,900	1.4	207,800
Professional, Scientific	91,800	90,600	1,200	1.3	91,500
Legal Services	13,000	13,200	-200	-1.5	13,400
Computer Systems Design	23,100	23,000	100	0.4	23,000
Management of Companies	29,100	29,400	-300	-1.0	29,000
Administrative and Support	89,000	87,000	2,000	2.3	87,300
Employment Services	26,700	27,900	-1,200	-4.3	26,500
EDUCATION AND HEALTH SERVICES	333,500	328,400	5,100	1.6	327,100
Educational Services	68,500	67,200	1,300	1.9	63,200
Health Care and Social Assistance	265,000	261,200	3,800	1.5	263,900
Hospitals	61,200	61,600	-400	-0.6	61,600
Nursing & Residential Care Facilities	62,500	62,300	200	0.3	62,800
Social Assistance	52,300	51,400	900	1.8	51,200
LEISURE AND HOSPITALITY	154,600	149,400	5,200	3.5	154,300
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	25,800	24,600	1,200	4.9	26,100
Accommodation and Food Services	128,800	124,800	4,000	3.2	128,200
Food Serv., Restaurants, Drinking Places.	116,900	112,900	4,000	3.5	116,200
	62,600	61,400	1,200	2.0	62,200
GOVERNMENT	240,100	239,200	900	0.4	235,000
Federal Government	17,500	17,200	300	1.7	17,500
State Government	67,900	66,900	1,000	1.5	65,400
Local Government**	154,700	155,100	-400	-0.3	152,100

*Current month's data are preliminary. Prior months' data have been revised. All data are benchmarked to March 2013. *Total excludes workers idled due to labor-management disputes. **Includes Indian tribal government employment.*

NONFARM EMPLOYMENT ESTIMATES

Not Seasonally Adjusted

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STA	MFO	RD	LMA



	2014	
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT	422,100	41:
TOTAL PRIVATE	374,700	367
GOODS PRODUCING INDUSTRIES	47,300	4
CONSTRUCTION, NAT. RES. & MINING	12,700	12
MANUFACTURING	34,600	33
Durable Goods	24,500	24
SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES	374,800	367
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, UTILITIES	74,800	72
Wholesale Trade	13,700	1:
Retail Trade	49,900	47
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities	11,200	1(
	12,000	12
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	41,200	4
Finance and Insurance	34,600	3
Credit Intermediation	10,100	1(
Securities and Commodity Contracts	16,700	17
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	71,200	68
Professional, Scientific	29,700	29
Administrative and Support	28,600	20
EDUCATION AND HEALTH SERVICES	71,300	7
Health Care and Social Assistance	59,600	59
LEISURE AND HOSPITALITY	39,900	39
Accommodation and Food Services	31,100	30
OTHER SERVICES	17,000	10
GOVERNMENT	47,400	4
Federal	2,500	
State & Local	44,900	43

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RD LMA	ОСТ	ОСТ	CHA	NGE	SEP
and the second second	2014	2013	NO.	%	2014
M EMPLOYMENT	422,100	413,200	8,900	2.2	420,200
	374,700	367,300	7,400	2.0	373,300
CING INDUSTRIES	47,300	45,500	1,800	4.0	47,100
N, NAT. RES. & MINING	12,700	12,500	200	1.6	12,600
ING	34,600	33,000	1,600	4.8	34,500
S	24,500	24,700	-200	-0.8	24,500
IDING INDUSTRIES	374,800	367,700	7,100	1.9	373,100
SPORTATION, UTILITIES	74,800	72,200	2,600	3.6	73,700
de	13,700	13,700	0	0.0	13,800
	49,900	47,800	2,100	4.4	48,700
, Warehousing, & Utilities	11,200	10,700	500	4.7	11,200
	12,000	12,000	0	0.0	12,100
TIVITIES	41,200	41,800	-600	-1.4	41,400
surance	34,600	35,400	-800	-2.3	34,600
ediation	10,100	10,000	100	1.0	10,100
d Commodity Contracts	16,700	17,800	-1,100	-6.2	16,800
L & BUSINESS SERVICES	71,200	68,100	3,100	4.6	71,000
Scientific	29,700	29,700	Ó 0	0.0	29,700
and Support	28,600	26,100	2,500	9.6	27,900
ND HEALTH SERVICES	71,300	71,100	200	0.3	70,200
nd Social Assistance	59,600	59,500	100	0.2	59,100
HOSPITALITY	39,900	39,900	0	0.0	40,400
n and Food Services	31,100	30,600	500	1.6	31,200
CES	17,000	16,700	300	1.8	17,400
-	47,400	45,900	1,500	3.3	46,900
	2,500	2,500	0	0.0	2,500
	44,900	43,400	1,500	3.5	44,400
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DANBURY LMA	Not Seasonally Adjusted				
-22 - 2	ОСТ	ОСТ	CHA	NGE	SEP
- Server	2014	2013	NO.	%	2014
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT	70,700	69,600	1,100	1.6	70,200
TOTAL PRIVATE	61,500	60,800	700	1.2	61,200
GOODS PRODUCING INDUSTRIES	12,200	11,900	300	2.5	12,200
SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES	58,500	57,700	800	1.4	58,000
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, UTILITIES	16,200	16,200	0	0.0	15,800
Retail Trade	11,900	11,900	0	0.0	11,600
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	7,700	7,800	-100	-1.3	7,700
LEISURE AND HOSPITALITY	6,700	6,500	200	3.1	6,700
GOVERNMENT	9,200	8,800	400	4.5	9,000
Federal	600	600	0	0.0	600
State & Local	8,600	8,200	400	4.9	8,400

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IMA NONFARM EMPLOYMENT ESTIMATES

HARTFORD LMA	Not Seasonally Adjusted				
	ОСТ	ОСТ	СНА	NGE	SEP
Same	2014	2013	NO.	%	2014
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT	562,400	554,900	7,500	1.4	556,900
TOTAL PRIVATE	476,500	468,100	8,400	1.8	473,200
GOODS PRODUCING INDUSTRIES	76,400	75,800	600	0.8	77,200
CONSTRUCTION, NAT. RES. & MINING	20,500	19,200	1,300	6.8	21,300
MANUFACTURING	55,900	56,600	-700	-1.2	55,900
Durable Goods	46,200	47,100	-900	-1.9	46,300
Non-Durable Goods	9,700	9,500	200	2.1	9,600
SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES	486,000	479,100	6,900	1.4	479,700
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, UTILITIES	91,600	89,300	2,300	2.6	90,500
Wholesale Trade	18,100	18,000	100	0.6	18,200
Retail Trade	56,000	54,600	1,400	2.6	55,000
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities	17,500	16,700	800	4.8	17,300
Transportation and Warehousing	14,800	13,900	900	6.5	14,600
	10,900	11,000	-100	-0.9	11,000
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	58,700	59,000	-300	-0.5	58,900
Depository Credit Institutions	6,100	6,300	-200	-3.2	6,100
Insurance Carriers & Related Activities	38,600	39,200	-600	-1.5	38,600
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	65,000	65,300	-300	-0.5	63,100
Professional, Scientific	32,000	31,000	1,000	3.2	31,100
Management of Companies	7,600	7,800	-200	-2.6	7,400
Administrative and Support	25,400	26,500	-1,100	-4.2	24,600
EDUCATION AND HEALTH SERVICES	102,700	101,400	1,300	1.3	102,200
Educational Services	14,800	14,800	0	0.0	14,000
Health Care and Social Assistance	87,900	86,600	1,300	1.5	88,200
Ambulatory Health Care	27,700	27,900	-200	-0.7	28,100
LEISURE AND HOSPITALITY	49,100	45,500	3,600	7.9	48,400
Accommodation and Food Services	39,900	39,000	900	2.3	39,400
OTHER SERVICES	22,100	20,800	1,300	6.3	21,900
GOVERNMENT	85,900	86,800	-900	-1.0	83,700
Federal	5,200	5,100	100	2.0	5,200
State & Local	80,700	81,700	-1,000	-1.2	78,500

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT

	Seasonally Adjusted					
	ОСТ	OCT	CHAI	NGE	SEP	
Labor Market Areas	2014	2013	NO.	%	2014	
BRIDGEPORT-STAMFORD LMA	420,800	411,300	9,500	2.3	420,800	
DANBURY LMA	70,300	69,100	1,200	1.7	70,000	
HARTFORD LMA	554,900	550,800	4,100	0.7	555,500	
NEW HAVEN LMA	279,000	274,100	4,900	1.8	278,300	
NORWICH-NEW LONDON LMA	127,500	127,400	100	0.1	126,400	
WATERBURY LMA	65,300	64,900	400	0.6	64,700	

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NONFARM EMPLOYMENT ESTIMATES

NEW HAVEN LMA	Not Seasonally Adjusted				
	ОСТ	OCT	CHA	NGE	SEP
S. S	2014	2013	NO.	%	2014
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TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT	282,700	277,800	4,900	1.8	279,500
TOTAL PRIVATE	249,300	243,900	5,400	2.2	246,600
GOODS PRODUCING INDUSTRIES	35,300	35,200	100	0.3	35,700
CONSTRUCTION, NAT. RES. & MINING	10,000	9,700	300	3.1	10,200
MANUFACTURING	25,300	25,500	-200	-0.8	25,500
Durable Goods	18,700	18,800	-100	-0.5	18,800
SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES	247,400	242,600	4,800	2.0	243,800
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, UTILITIES	51,400	50,600	800	1.6	50,900
Wholesale Trade	11,200	11,100	100	0.9	11,300
Retail Trade	29,800	29,200	600	2.1	29,100
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities	10,400	10,300	100	1.0	10,500
	4,000	4,100	-100	-2.4	4,000
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	12,200	12,300	-100	-0.8	12,200
Finance and Insurance	8,700	8,900	-200	-2.2	8,700
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	28,000	28,000	0	0.0	27,600
Administrative and Support	14,500	14,100	400	2.8	14,200
EDUCATION AND HEALTH SERVICES	82,100	79,700	2,400	3.0	79,900
Educational Services	30,700	30,300	400	1.3	28,700
Health Care and Social Assistance	51,400	49,400	2,000	4.0	51,200
LEISURE AND HOSPITALITY	25,900	23,600	2,300	9.7	25,900
Accommodation and Food Services	21,500	20,600	900	4.4	21,600
OTHER SERVICES	10,400	10,400	0	0.0	10,400
GOVERNMENT	33,400	33,900	-500	-1.5	32,900
Federal	4,800	4,700	100	2.1	4,800
State & Local	28,600	29,200	-600	-2.1	28,100

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CT Online Labor Demand Fell 1,900 in October

The Conference Board's Help Wanted OnLine (HWOL) data reported that there were 69,200 advertisements for Connecticutbased jobs in October 2014, a 2.7 percent decrease over the month but a 9.1 percent increase over the year. There were 3.69 advertised vacancies for every 100 persons in Connecticut's labor force. Hartford's labor demand rate was 4.49, while nationally it was 3.26 percent. Among the New England states, Maine and Massachusetts had the highest vacancy rate (4.33), while Rhode Island had the lowest vacancy rate (3.56) in October.

HELP WANTED ONLINE

ост	ост	SEP			
2014	2013	2014			
69.2	63.4	71.1			
26.5	24.4	27.4			
Labor Demand Rate *					
3.69	3.43	3.79			
4.49	4.17	4.64			
3.26	3.04	3.25			
4.33	3.03	4.13			
4.33	4.11	4.40			
4.03	3.48	4.05			
3.56	3.20	3.60			
3.77	3.20	3.82			
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* A percent of advertised vacancies per 100 persons in labor force Source: The Conference Board

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. Background information and technical notes and discussion of revisions to the series are available at: www.conference-board.org/data/helpwantedonline.cfm.

IMA NONFARM EMPLOYMENT ESTIMATES

NORWICH - NEW	Not Seasonally Adjusted				
LONDON LMA	ОСТ	ОСТ	CHA	NGE	SEP
	2014	2013	NO.	%	2014
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT	128,200	128,000	200	0.2	127,800
TOTAL PRIVATE	95,900	94,700	1,200	1.3	95,700
GOODS PRODUCING INDUSTRIES	19,100	18,400	700	3.8	18,900
CONSTRUCTION, NAT. RES. & MINING	4,300	3,900	400	10.3	4,100
MANUFACTURING	14,800	14,500	300	2.1	14,800
Durable Goods	11,800	11,300	500	4.4	11,800
Non-Durable Goods	3,000	3,200	-200	-6.3	3,000
SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES	109,100	109,600	-500	-0.5	108,900
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, UTILITIES	23,000	22,500	500	2.2	22,800
Wholesale Trade	2,600	2,500	100	4.0	2,600
Retail Trade	15,700	15,500	200	1.3	15,500
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities	4,700	4,500	200	4.4	4,700
INFORMATION	1,200	1,300	-100	-7.7	1,200
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	3,000	3,100	-100	-3.2	3,000
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	8,400	8,700	-300	-3.4	8,400
EDUCATION AND HEALTH SERVICES	20,900	21,400	-500	-2.3	20,600
Health Care and Social Assistance	18,800	18,900	-100	-0.5	18,700
LEISURE AND HOSPITALITY	16,700	15,800	900	5.7	17,300
Accommodation and Food Services	13,900	13,300	600	4.5	14,100
Food Serv., Restaurants, Drinking Places.	11,600	11,100	500	4.5	11,800
OTHER SERVICES	3,600	3,500	100	2.9	3,500
GOVERNMENT	32,300	33,300	-1,000	-3.0	32,100
Federal	2,600	2,600	0	0.0	2,500
State & Local**	29,700	30,700	-1,000	-3.3	29,600

WATERBURY LMA		Not Se	asonally	Adjusted	d
ltone of	ОСТ	ОСТ	CHA	NGE	SEP
Same	2014	2013	NO.	%	2014
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TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT	66,100	65,400	700	1.1	65,200
TOTAL PRIVATE	55,900	55,600	300	0.5	55,500
GOODS PRODUCING INDUSTRIES	9,800	10,200	-400	-3.9	9,700
CONSTRUCTION, NAT. RES. & MINING	2,600	2,500	100	4.0	2,500
MANUFACTURING	7,200	7,700	-500	-6.5	7,200
SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES	56,300	55,200	1,100	2.0	55,500
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, UTILITIES	13,000	13,000	0	0.0	12,800
Wholesale Trade	2,200	2,200	0	0.0	2,200
Retail Trade	8,900	8,900	0	0.0	8,700
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities	1,900	1,900	0	0.0	1,900
	500	600	-100	-16.7	600
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	2,000	2,000	0	0.0	2,000
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	4,600	5,000	-400	-8.0	4,600
EDUCATION AND HEALTH SERVICES	17,000	16,700	300	1.8	16,600
Health Care and Social Assistance	15,100	14,800	300	2.0	15,000
LEISURE AND HOSPITALITY	6,500	5,700	800	14.0	6,700
OTHER SERVICES	2,500	2,400	100	4.2	2,500
GOVERNMENT	10,200	9,800	400	4.1	9,700
Federal	400	400	0	0.0	400
State & Local	9,800	9,400	400	4.3	9,300

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NONFARM EMPLOYMENT ESTIMATES

SMALLER LMAS*		Not Se	asonally A	Adjuste	d
1200	ОСТ	ОСТ	CHAI	NGE	SEP
J. S. S.	2014	2013	NO.	%	2014
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT ENFIELD LMA TORRINGTON LMA WILLIMANTIC - DANIELSON LMA	44,800 37,200 38,400	44,100 36,900 38,100	700 300 300	1.6 0.8 0.8	44,700 37,100 38,100

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

For further information on these nonfarm employment estimates contact Lincoln Dyer at (860) 263-6292.

SPRINGFIELD, MA-CT	Not Seasonally Adjusted							
NECTA**	ОСТ	ОСТ	СНА	NGE	SEP			
	2014	2013	NO.	%	2014			
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT	304,400	297,700	6,700	2.3	302,100			
TOTAL PRIVATE	253.700	247.900	5.800	2.3	251.700			
GOODS PRODUCING INDUSTRIES	42.700	41,500	1,200	2.9	42.600			
CONSTRUCTION, NAT. RES. & MINING	11,400	10,700	700	6.5	11,300			
MANUFACTURING	31,300	30.800	500	1.6	31,300			
Durable Goods	21,300	20,900	400	1.9	21,300			
Non-Durable Goods	10.000	9,900	100	1.0	10.000			
SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES	261,700	256,200	5,500	2.1	259,500			
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, UTILITIES	58,900	58,000	900	1.6	58,100			
Wholesale Trade	11,200	11,200	0	0.0	11,200			
Retail Trade	35,100	34,500	600	1.7	34,300			
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities	12,600	12,300	300	2.4	12,600			
INFORMATION	4,000	3,900	100	2.6	4,000			
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	14,700	14,700	0	0.0	14,800			
Finance and Insurance	11,800	11,700	100	0.9	11,800			
Insurance Carriers & Related Activities	7,700	7,500	200	2.7	7,600			
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	26,100	25,300	800	3.2	25,500			
EDUCATION AND HEALTH SERVICES	69,500	67,600	1,900	2.8	68,400			
Educational Services	11,900	11,800	100	0.8	11,200			
Health Care and Social Assistance	57,600	55,800	1,800	3.2	57,200			
LEISURE AND HOSPITALITY	28,500	27,700	800	2.9	29,000			
OTHER SERVICES	9,300	9,200	100	1.1	9,300			
GOVERNMENT	50,700	49,800	900	1.8	50,400			
Federal	5,900	5,800	100	1.7	5,900			
State & Local	44,800	44,000	800	1.8	44,500			

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** New England City and Town Area

LMA LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES

	EMPLOYMENT	ОСТ	OCT	CHANGE	SEP
(Not seasonally adjusted)	STATUS	2014	2013	NO. %	2014
CONNECTICUT	Civilian Labor Force	1,900,200	1,848,400	51,800 2.8	1,878,300
	Employed	1,781,000	1,711,400	69,600 4.1	1,767,800
	Unemployed	119,200	137,000	-17,800 -13.0	110,600
	Unemployment Rate	6.3	7.4	-1.1	5.9
BRIDGEPORT - STAMFORD LMA	Civilian Labor Force	485,700	469,400	16,300 3.5	481,200
	Employed	456,800	436,800	20,000 4.6	454,500
	Unemployed	28,900	32,600	-3,700 -11.3	26,700
	Unemployment Rate	5.9	6.9	-1.0	5.5
DANBURY LMA	Civilian Labor Force	93,800	90,900	2,900 3.2	92,700
	Employed	89,100	85,500	3,600 4.2	88,500
	Unemployed	4,600	5,300	-700 -13.2	4,200
	Unemployment Rate	4.9	5.9	-1.0	4.6
ENFIELD LMA	Civilian Labor Force	51,400	49,800	1,600 3.2	50,800
	Employed	48,400	46,200	2,200 4.8	47,900
	Unemployed	3,000	3,600	-600 -16.7	2,900
	Unemployment Rate	5.8	7.2	-1.4	5.6
HARTFORD LMA	Civilian Labor Force	600,300	584,600	15,700 2.7	592,400
	Employed	562,500	541,300	21,200 3.9	557,400
	Unemployed	37,800	43,300	-5,500 -12.7	34,900
	Unemployment Rate	6.3	7.4	-1.1	5.9
NEW HAVEN LMA	Civilian Labor Force	319,300	310,400	8,900 2.9	315,100
	Employed	298,500	286,400	12,100 4.2	295,800
	Unemployed	20,700	24,000	-3,300 -13.8	19,300
	Unemployment Rate	6.5	7.7	-1.2	6.1
NORWICH - NEW LONDON LMA	Civilian Labor Force	145,900	144,200	1,700 1.2	144,900
	Employed	136,600	133,000	3,600 2.7	136,100
	Unemployed	9,300	11,200	-1,900 -17.0	8,800
	Unemployment Rate	6.4	7.8	-1.4	6.0
TORRINGTON LMA	Civilian Labor Force	55,000	53,600	1,400 2.6	54,300
	Employed	52,000	50,100	1,900 3.8	51,500
	Unemployed	3,000	3,500	-500 -14.3	2,800
	Unemployment Rate	5.5	6.5	-1.0	5.2
WATERBURY LMA	Civilian Labor Force	102,100	100,000	2,100 2.1	100,700
	Employed	93,700	90,300	3,400 3.8	92,800
	Unemployed	8,400	9,700	-1,300 -13.4	7,900
	Unemployment Rate	8.2	9.7	-1.5	7.9
WILLIMANTIC-DANIELSON LMA	Civilian Labor Force	58,400	57,200	1,200 2.1	57,800
	Employed	54,400	52,400	2,000 3.8	54,000
	Unemployed	4,000	4,800	-800 -16.7	3,800
	Unemployment Rate	6.9	8.3	-1.4	6.5
UNITED STATES	Civilian Labor Force Employed Unemployed Unemployment Rate	156,616,000 147,936,000 8,680,000 5.5	144,144,000	1,698,000 1.1 3,792,000 2.6 -2,093,000 -19.4 -1.5	155,903,000 146,941,000 8,962,000 5.7

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HOURS AND EARNINGS

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	AVG WEEKLY EARNIN			IGS	AVG WEEK	LY HO	URS	AVGH	IOURLY	EARN	INGS
	00	т	CHG	SEP	ОСТ	CHG	SEP	OC	Т	CHG	SEP
(Not seasonally adjusted)	2014	2013	Y/Y	2014	2014 2013	Y/Y	2014	2014	2013	Y/Y	2014
PRODUCTION WO	RKER										
MANUFACTURING	\$939.39	\$874.85	\$64.54	\$927.30	40.3 40.9	-0.6	40.6	\$23.31	\$21.39	\$1.92	\$22.84
DURABLE GOODS	966.33	891.07	75.26	947.60	40.5 41.6	-1.1	40.6	23.86	21.42	2.44	23.34
NON-DUR. GOODS	852.81	828.96	23.85	864.68	39.5 38.9	0.6	40.5	21.59	21.31	0.28	21.35
CONSTRUCTION	1,140.70	1,031.78	108.92	1,133.44	37.4 38.2	-0.8	38.5	30.50	27.01	3.49	29.44
ALL EMPLOYEES											
STATEWIDE											
TOTAL PRIVATE	960.39	934.16	26.22	958.35	33.9 33.7	0.2	33.9	28.33	27.72	0.61	28.27
GOODS PRODUCING	1,205.82	1,192.41	13.41	1,206.61	39.6 39.8	-0.2	39.6	30.45	29.96	0.49	30.47
Construction	1,196.16	1,120.07	76.09	1,190.00	38.4 37.7	0.7	38.8	31.15	29.71	1.44	30.67
Manufacturing	1,205.20	1,211.60	-6.40	1,207.53	40.0 40.4	-0.4	39.8	30.13	29.99	0.14	30.34
SERVICE PROVIDING	913.81	887.37	26.44	913.96	32.8 32.6	0.2	32.9	27.86	27.22	0.64	27.78
Trade, Transp., Utilities	801.12	802.27	-1.15	812.84	33.2 33.4	-0.2	33.7	24.13	24.02	0.11	24.12
Financial Activities	1,638.40	1,611.62	26.77	1,643.12	38.2 37.1	1.1	38.0	42.89	43.44	-0.55	43.24
Prof. & Business Serv.	1,176.12	1,063.65	112.47	1,160.28	36.3 35.0	1.3	36.0	32.40	30.39	2.01	32.23
Education & Health Ser.	798.82	780.62	18.19	792.85	31.4 31.2	0.2	31.4	25.44	25.02	0.42	25.25
Leisure & Hospitality	416.00	395.42	20.59	407.68	26.0 26.1	-0.1	26.1	16.00	15.15	0.85	15.62
Other Services	644.27	677.33	-33.06	679.20	29.1 31.3	-2.2	30.2	22.14	21.64	0.50	22.49
LABOR MARKET AREA	S: TOTAL	PRIVATE									
Bridgeport-Stamford	1,064.92	1,046.21	18.72	1,053.95	33.7 34.7	-1.0	33.9	31.60	30.15	1.45	31.09
Danbury	933.68	915.93	17.76	923.09	34.8 32.7	2.1	34.1	26.83	28.01	-1.18	27.07
Hartford	1,000.05	967.09	32.96	1,006.07	34.7 34.7	0.0	34.8	28.82	27.87	0.95	28.91
New Haven	933.85	886.98	46.87	929.78	34.6 33.7	0.9	34.5	26.99	26.32	0.67	26.95
Norwich-New London	832.82	916.32	-83.50	834.21	34.6 33.8	0.8		24.07	27.11	-3.04	24.18
Waterbury	747.79	757.02	-9.23	742.72	32.4 33.0			23.08	22.94	0.14	-
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Current month's data are preliminary. Prior months' data have been revised. All data are benchmarked to March 2013.

BUSINESS AND EMPLOYMENT CHANGES ANNOUNCED IN THE NEWS MEDIA

- In October 2014, Connecticut Distributors in Stratford, a liquor distributor, expanded and added 17 jobs. Chick-fil-A opened in Brookfield, bringing 80 jobs to the area. TicketNetwork announced it will be expanding this winter and plans to add 64 positions in South Windsor. The Wide World of Indoor Sports announced its plan to open in September 2015 in Montville, creating 50 jobs.
- In October 2014, Office Depot closed stores in West Hartford and Wethersfield. Office Max in Waterbury is scheduled to close next month. First Niagara Bank will close locations in Fairfield, Manchester, Monroe, New Haven, Ridgefield, Stamford, Vernon and Wilton in January of 2015. None of the above closings announced anticipated job loss figures.

Business & Employment Changes Announced in the News Media lists start-ups, expansions, staff reductions, and layoffs reported by the media, both current and future. The report provides company name, the number of workers involved, date of the action, the principal product or service of the company, a brief synopsis of the action, and the source and date of the media article. This publication is available in both HTML and PDF formats at the Connecticut Department of Labor Web site, http://www.ctdol.state.ct.us/lmi/busemp.htm.

Town LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES BY TOWN

(By Place of Residence - Not Seasonally Adjusted)

OCTOBER 2014

LMA/TOWNS	LABOR FORCE	<u>EMPLOYED</u>	<u>UNEMPLOYED</u>	<u>%</u>	LMA/TOWNS	LABOR FORCE	<u>EMPLOYED</u>	<u>UNEMPLOYED</u>	<u>%</u>
BRIDGEPORT-ST		_	_	_	HARTFORD cont				
	485,655	456,801	28,854	5.9	Canton	5,898	5,667		3.9
Ansonia	10,281	9,468	813	7.9	Colchester	9,261	8,751	510	5.5
Bridgeport	66,710	60,339	6,371	9.6	Columbia	3,140	2,981	159	5.1
Darien	9,497	9,075	422	4.4	Coventry	7,191	6,793		5.5
Derby	7,072	6,565	507	7.2	Cromwell	8,207	7,789		5.1
Easton	3,823	3,645	178	4.7	East Granby	2,988	2,859	129	4.3
Fairfield	29,633	28,086	1,547	5.2	East Haddam	5,377	5,098	279	5.2
Greenwich	30,254	28,904	1,350	4.5	East Hampton	7,233	6,854	379	5.2
Milford	30,564	28,813	1,751	5.7	East Hartford	26,736	24,662	2,074	7.8
Monroe	10,752	10,184	568	5.3	Ellington	9,610	9,136	474	4.9
New Canaan	9,031	8,585	446	4.9	Farmington	13,199	12,595	604	4.6
Newtown	14,847	14,147	700	4.7	Glastonbury	19,081	18,291	790	4.1
Norwalk	50,253	47,497	2,756	5.5	Granby	6,404	6,113		4.5
Oxford	7,552	7,166	386	5.1	Haddam	5,224	5,010		4.1
Redding	4,895	4,683	212	4.3	Hartford	50,044	44,009		12.1
Ridgefield	12,153	11,628	525	4.3	Hartland	1,237	1,178		4.8
Seymour	9,409	8,828	581	6.2	Harwinton	3,165	3,021	144	4.5
Shelton	23,048	21,747	1,301	5.6	Hebron	5,729	5,478		4.4
Southbury	9,166	8,676	490	5.3	Lebanon	4,315	4,099		5.0
Stamford	69,412	65,790	3,622	5.2	Manchester	33,691	31,641	2,050	6.1
Stratford	27,371	25,497	1,874	6.8	Mansfield	13,575	12,885		5.1
Trumbull	18,622	17,624	998	5.4	Marlborough	3,707	3,526		4.9
Weston	4,949	4,745	204	4.1	Middlefield	2,458	2,341		4.9
Westport	12,922	12,313	609	4.7	Middletown	26,585	24,988		6.0 8.9
Wilton	8,690	8,269	421	4.8	New Britain	36,017	32,802		
Woodbridge	4,745	4,525	220	4.6	New Hartford	3,912	3,699		5.4
DANDUDY	00 770	00 4 4 4	4 005	4.0	Newington	17,225	16,301		5.4
DANBURY	93,776	89,141	4,635	4.9	Plainville	10,405	9,783		6.0
Bethel	11,214	10,667	547	4.9	Plymouth	6,838	6,390		6.6
Bridgewater	953	898	55	5.8	Portland	5,341	5,048		5.5
Brookfield	9,376	8,887	489	5.2	Rocky Hill	11,296	10,723		5.1
Danbury	46,726	44,393	2,333	5.0	Simsbury	12,142	11,565		4.8
New Fairfield	7,586	7,229	357	4.7	Southington	24,975	23,655		5.3
New Milford	15,991	15,232	759	4.7	South Windsor	14,749	14,039		4.8
Sherman	1,929	1,834	95	4.9	Stafford	6,927	6,538		5.6
					Thomaston	4,547	4,300		5.4
ENFIELD	51,379	48,374	3,005	5.8	Tolland	8,551	8,181		4.3
East Windsor	6,869	6,418	451	6.6	Union	545	514	31	5.7
Enfield	24,107	22,696	1,411	5.9	Vernon	17,191	16,118	1,073	6.2
Somers	5,091	4,772	319	6.3	West Hartford	30,596	28,906	1,690	5.5
Suffield	8,042	7,631	411	5.1	Wethersfield	13,718	12,948	770	5.6
Windsor Locks	7,269	6,856	413	5.7	Willington	3,802	3,616	186	4.9
					Windsor	16,487	15,466	1,021	6.2
HARTFORD	600,302	562,468	37,834	6.3					
Andover	2,027	1,934	93	4.6					
Ashford	2,531	2,412	119	4.7	All Labor Market Areas (LM/				
Avon	9,803	9,336	467	4.8	statistics. For the sake of sin DOL publications as the 'Bri				
Barkhamsted	2,241	2,148	93	4.1	referred to as the 'Hartford L	• •			
Berlin	11,593	10,951	642	5.5	the State as a separate area				
Bloomfield	10,169	9,411	758	7.5	included in the Torrington L	MA. For the same purpuse	five towns which are	part of the Springfield, M	/A area are
Bolton	2,946	2,809	137	4.7	published as the 'Enfield LN				e Worcester,
Bristol	34,116	31,826	2,290	6.7	MA area), plus four towns e	stimated separately are inc	luded in the Willimanti	c-Danielson LMA.	
Burlington	5,557	5,284	2,290	4.9					
Durnington	5,557	5,204	213	4.9					

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.

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LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES BY TOWN

Town

(By Place of Residence - Not Seasonally Adjusted)

OCTOBER 2014

LMA/TOWNS	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYED	UNEMPLOYED	<u>%</u>	LMA/TOWNS	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYED	UNEMPLOYED	<u>%</u>
NEW HAVEN	319,251	298,522	20,729	6.5	TORRINGTON	54,998	51,965	3,033	5.5
Bethany	3,161	3,000	161	5.1	Bethlehem	2,069	1,954	115	5.6
Branford	16,866	15,955	911	5.4	Canaan	682	652	30	4.4
Cheshire	14,890	14,151	739	5.0	Colebrook	812	776	36	4.4
Chester	2,536	2,422	114	4.5	Cornwall	793	764	29	3.7
Clinton	7,766	7,371	395	5.1	Goshen	1,547	1,473	74	4.8
Deep River	2,574	2,420	154	6.0	Kent	1,625	1,549	76	4.7
Durham	4,295	4,111	184	4.3	Litchfield	4,298	4,092	206	4.8
East Haven	16,527	15,455	1,072	6.5	Morris	1,321	1,247	74	5.6
Essex	3,733	3,568	165	4.4	Norfolk	978	931	47	4.8
Guilford	13,128	12,510	618	4.7	North Canaan	1,699	1,617	82	4.8
Hamden	32,787	30,702	2,085	6.4	Roxbury	1,344	1,291	53	3.9
Killingworth	3,657	3,497	160	4.4	Salisbury	1,842	1,769	73	4.0
Madison	9,908	9,442	466	4.7	Sharon	1,440	1,382	58	4.0
Meriden	32,778	30,200	2,578	7.9	Torrington	19,959	18,625	1,334	6.7
New Haven	59,049	53,879	5,170	8.8	Warren	796	758	38	4.8
North Branford	8,394	7,966	428	5.1	Washington	1,901	1,812	89	4.7
North Haven	13,276	12,562	714	5.4	Winchester	6,216	5,855	361	5.8
Old Saybrook	5,371	5,104	267	5.0	Woodbury	5,674	5,417	257	4.5
Orange	7,394	7,021	373	5.0		,			
Wallingford	25,826	24,317	1,509	5.8	WATERBURY	102,131	93,706	8,425	8.2
West Haven	31,452	29,189	2,263	7.2	Beacon Falls	3,460	3,246	214	6.2
Westbrook	3,882	3,679	203	5.2	Middlebury	4,028	3,835	193	4.8
					Naugatuck	16,959	15,703	1,256	7.4
*NORWICH-NEW	LONDON				Prospect	5,441	5,113	328	6.0
	134,243	125,595	8,648	6.4	Waterbury	50,947	45,781	5,166	10.1
Bozrah	1,500	1,415	85	5.7	Watertown	12,174	11,446	728	6.0
Canterbury	3,078	2,847	231	7.5	Wolcott	9,123	8,582	541	5.9
East Lyme	9,312	8,802	510	5.5					
Franklin	1,173	1,107	66	5.6	WILLIMANTIC-DANIE	LSON			
Griswold	7,151	6,705	446	6.2		58,447	54,422	4,025	6.9
Groton	18,213	17,054	1,159	6.4	Brooklyn	4,116	3,837	279	6.8
Ledyard	8,076	7,628	448	5.5	Chaplin	1,342	1,258	84	6.3
Lisbon	2,539	2,367	172	6.8	Eastford	968	927	41	4.2
Lyme	1,249	1,188	61	4.9	Hampton	1,088	1,028	60	5.5
Montville	10,386	9,714	672	6.5	Killingly	9,403	8,703	700	7.4
New London	13,797	12,665	1,132	8.2	Plainfield	8,435	7,790	645	7.6
No. Stonington	3,142	2,980	162	5.2	Pomfret	2,331	2,206	125	5.4
Norwich	21,873	20,166	1,707	7.8	Putnam	5,413	5,038	375	6.9
Old Lyme	4,075	3,867	208	5.1	Scotland	1,004	964	40	4.0
Preston	2,622	2,480	142	5.4	Sterling	2,185	2,024	161	7.4
Salem	2,518	2,390	128	5.1	Thompson	5,449	5,131	318	5.8
Sprague	1,743	1,581	162	9.3	Windham	12,134	11,177	957	7.9
Stonington	10,043	9,569	474	4.7	Woodstock	4,580	4,340	240	5.2
Voluntown	1,511	1,425	86	5.7					
Waterford	10,241	9,646	595	5.8					
*Connecticut nortio	n only. For whole NE	CTA including P	hode Island town s	ee helow	Not Seasonally Adjust	ted			
NORWICH-NEW L		.orn, including R			CONNECTICUT	1,900,200	1,781,000	119,200	6.3
	145,891	136,595	9,296	6.4	UNITED STATES	156,616,000	147,936,000	,	5.5
Westerly, RI	11,648	11,000	648	5.6			,000,000	0,000,000	0.0
J .	es are prepared followin			0.0	Seasonally Adjusted:				
	ent of Labor, Bureau of	•			CONNECTICUT	1,886,300	1,764,700	121,600	6.4
2, ale olo. Departine		24201 01440400.			UNITED STATES	156,278,000	147,283,000	•	5.8
					UNITED STATES	100,210,000	1,203,000	0,000,000	5.0

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.

December 2014

Town HOUSING PERMIT ACTIVITY BY TOWN

TOWN	OCT 2014	YR TO 2014	DATE 2013	TOWN	OCT 2014	YR TO 2014	DATE 2013	TOWN	OCT 2014	YR TO 2014	DATE 2013
Andover Ansonia Ashford Avon Barkhamsted Beacon Falls Berlin Bethany Bethel Bethel Bethlehem	0 0 0 na na 3 na 1 na	2 0 5 19 na 23 na 64 na	5 1 35 na 80 na 43 na	Griswold Groton Guilford Haddam Hamden Hampton Hartford Hartland Harwinton Hebron	na 0 1 0 1 na 2 na	na 14 15 10 5 1 16 na 5 na	na 43 33 4 2 2 23 na 1 na	Preston Prospect Putnam Redding Ridgefield Rocky Hill Roxbury Salem Salisbury Scotland	0 na 1 na 0 1 na 0 na 0	0 na 3 na 34 12 na 5 na 0	10 na 3 na 15 95 na 5 na 1
Bloomfield Bolton Bozrah Branford Bridgeport Bridgewater Bristol Brookfield Brooklyn Burlington	na 1 0 na 116 na 0 na 1 3	na 7 2 na 137 na 65 na 13 27	na 12 3 na 158 na 82 na 10 32	Kent Killingly Killingworth Lebanon Ledyard Lisbon Litchfield Lyme Madison Manchester	0 3 na 1 0 1 na 0 1 0	1 14 na 5 9 3 na 4 13 50	2 17 na 5 36 5 na 2 16 18	Seymour Sharon Shelton Sherman Simsbury Somers South Windsor South Windsor Southbury Southington Sprague	0 0 na 0 1 7 2 4 0	4 40 na 173 9 23 20 58 0	13 1 23 na 107 7 18 31 89 7
Canaan Canterbury Canton Chaplin Cheshire Chester Clinton Colchester Colebrook Columbia	0 0 0 4 na 2 4 0 0	1 11 8 0 39 na 10 28 1 2	0 10 10 0 42 na 11 31 1 8	Mansfield Marlborough Meriden Middlebury Middlefield Middletown Milford Monroe Montville Morris	1 0 1 na 0 2 13 0 2 0	11 3 6 na 6 55 178 4 11 0	11 7 15 na 9 24 155 6 9 0	Stafford Stamford Sterling Stonington Stratford Suffield Thomaston Thompson Tolland Torrington	na 32 na 2 1 na na 1 0	na 310 na 16 40 23 na na 11 2	na 233 na 26 265 25 na na 8 3
Cornwall Coventry Cromwell Danbury Darien Deep River Derby Durham East Granby East Haddam	0 4 1 2 na 0 na 0 0 0	2 29 21 278 na 2 na 2 2 6	1 21 26 256 na 7 na 7 7 14	Naugatuck New Britain New Canaan New Fairfield New Hartford New Haven New London New Milford Newington Newtown	1 na 4 na 1 99 4 0 1	16 na 45 na 6 401 32 16 8 18	15 na 40 na 6 37 36 17 9 13	Trumbull Union Vernon Voluntown Wallingford Warren Washington Waterbury Waterford Watertown	0 1 3 0 na 1 0 4	3 1 22 24 2 na 46 12 29	8 22 1 26 0 na 31 14 23
East Hampton East Hartford East Haven East Lyme East Windsor Eastford Easton Ellington Enfield Essex	2 na 5 1 0 3 na 2	18 na 9 355 9 2 2 78 na 5	13 na 17 34 16 4 6 36 na 9	Norfolk North Branford North Canaan North Haven North Stonington Norwalk Norwich Old Lyme Old Saybrook Orange	0 na 0 1 2 1 na 3 na	2 na 0 15 8 218 24 na 20 na	0 na 0 20 4 76 6 na 19 na	West Hartford West Haven Westbrook Weston Westport Wethersfield Willington Wilton Wilton Winchester Windham	6 na 1 na 9 na 0 na 3 0	58 na 13 na 136 na 2 na 23 10	51 na 12 na 82 na 24 4
Fairfield Farmington Franklin Glastonbury Goshen Granby Greenwich	11 10 0 1 0 1 9	91 30 2 20 8 9 90	138 41 1 30 3 9 69	Oxford Plainfield Plainville Plymouth Pomfret Portland	0 0 1 1 0 2	52 10 18 6 2 8	20 14 11 4 1 8	Windsor Windsor Locks Wolcott Woodbridge Woodbury Woodstock	na na 2 na 0 1	na na 16 na 2 8	na na 15 na 7 7

For further information on the housing permit data, contact Kolie Sun of DECD at (860) 270-8167.

BUSINESS STARTS AND TERMINATIONS

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 establish-ments 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 June 1989 when the ECI is 100.

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.

INDIAN 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.

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 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. Beginning with the publication of January 2005 data, an improved methodology is being used to develop labor force estimates, by which monthly state model-based employment and unemployment estimates are controlled to add to the national CPS levels. This will ensure that national economic events are reflected in the state estimates, and it will significantly reduce end-of-year revisions. (For more information, please see the Connecticut Economic Digest, December 2004 issue.) 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

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-Norwalk-Stamford Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) is referred to in Connecticut Department of Labor publications as the Bridgeport-Stamford LMA, and the Hartford-West Hartford-East Hartford MSA is called the Hartford LMA. The Bureau of Labor Statistics has identified the 17 towns in the in the northwestern part of the state as a separate area for reporting labor force data. For the convenience of our data users, data for these towns are included in the Torrington LMA. For the same purpose, data for the towns of East Windsor, Enfield, Somers, Suffield and Windsor Locks, which are officially part of the Springfield MSA, are published as the Enfield LMA. Similarly, the towns of Putnam, Thompson and Woodstock - part of the Worcester MSA - are included in the Willimantic-Danielson LMA. Also, data for Westerly, Rhode Island are included in the Norwich-New London 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. 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. Call (860) 263-6275 for a more comprehensive breakout of nonfarm employment estimates. 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 4-8 for reference months or quarters)

Leading General Drift Indicator +2.6 Coincident General Drift Indicator +0.4 Farmington Bank Bus. Barometer +0.5 Phil. Fed's CT Coincident Index +3.7
Total Nonfarm Employment
Labor Force
Average Weekly Initial Claims14.7 Avg Insured Unempl. Rate0.24* U-6 Rate1.3*
Prod. Worker Avg Wkly Hrs, Mfg1.5PW Avg Hourly Earnings, Mfg +9.0PW Avg Weekly Earnings, Mfg +7.4CT Mfg. Production Index
Personal Income+3.1 UI Covered Wages+2.0

Business Activity	
New Housing Permits	20.4
Electricity Sales	
Construction Contracts Index	43.3
New Auto Registrations	+14.4
Air Cargo Tons	NA
Exports	3.1
S&P 500: Monthly Close	+14.9

Business Starts

Secretary of the State4	.0
Dept. of Labor13	.5

Business Terminations

Secretary of the State	-29.4
Dept. of Labor	-17.4

State Revenues2.8
Corporate Tax57.3
Personal Income Tax+3.0
Real Estate Conveyance Tax15.5
Sales & Use Tax +5.2
Indian Gaming Payments1.5

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

Tourism and Travel

Info Center Visitors	. +3.8
Attraction Visitors	. +8.7
Air Passenger Count	NA
Indian Gaming Slots	1.3
Travel and Tourism Index	0.9

Employment Cost Index (U.S.)

Total +2	2.3
Wages & Salaries +2	2.3
Benefit Costs+2	2.3

Consumer Prices

U.S. City Average+1.7
Northeast Region+1.4
NY-NJ-Long Island+1.3
Boston-Brockton-Nashua+1.6

Interest Rates

Prime0).00*
Conventional Mortgage0).15*

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