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In August...

Nonfarm Employment

Connecticut 1,566,600
 Change over month +1.32%
 Change over year -7.04%

United States 140,914,000
 Change over month +0.98%
 Change over year -6.78%

Unemployment Rate

Connecticut 8.1%
 United States 8.4%

Consumer Price Index

United States 259.918
 Change over year +1.3%

Connecticut Town Economic Indexes Fell Slightly in 2019

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Connecticut's overall economy continued its moderate growth last year, based on the index performances of cities and towns. The indexes on page 3 give a broad measure of business and resident economic well-being of each town, allowing comparisons among them.

The CTEI Methodology

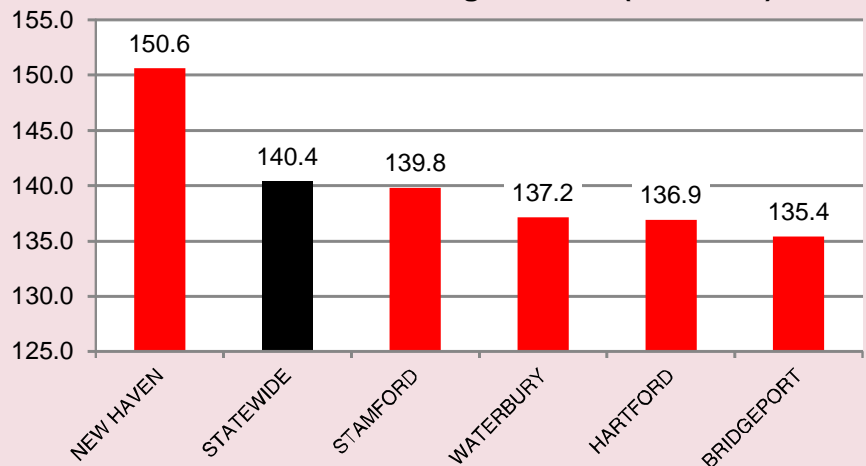
The Connecticut Town Economic Indexes (CTEI) were introduced five years ago and are released annually. The Connecticut Department of Labor's Office of Research developed the composite indexes of all 169 municipalities in the state to measure each town or city's overall economic health, which then can be ranked and compared to others to gain perspective. The four annual average town economic indicators used as components are total covered business establishments, total covered employment, inflation-adjusted covered annual

average wages, and the unemployment rate.

Establishments are the physical work units located in the municipality. Employment is the number payroll employees in establishments that are located in the town. Wages are the aggregate payroll pay divided by the total average employment. These three measures come from the Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW) program and include all those who are covered under unemployment insurance law, thus capturing nearly 100 percent of all payroll employees in each town.

Establishments, employment and wages are proxy for each municipality's business activities and its overall economic strength, while the unemployment rate measures the overall economic health of its residents. Each of the four components was given a 25 percent weight. The CTEI's base year is 2010, which equals 100. The wage component was adjusted to 2010

Chart 1. 2019 CTEI of Largest Cities (2010=100)



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dollars and unemployment rate changes were inversed to reflect the right economic direction. By combining these four major economic indicators, the index allows comparisons among towns.

CTEI: 2018 to 2019

Reflecting an ongoing economic recovery, 161 cities and/or towns saw business and labor market conditions improve, while eight worsened. Because the town sizes can vary greatly, a same change in one index value of a small town would not necessarily mean the same degree of economic growth as a large city. Therefore, the comparisons were grouped in three categories: towns with a population (2019) under 25,000, towns or cities with a population between 25,000 and 100,000, and cities with over 100,000.

Among the towns with a population under 25,000, Hampton and Roxbury's overall economy grew the fastest from 2018 to 2019. Southington and Cheshire were the two fastest over the year among the towns or cities with a population between 25,000 and 100,000. Of the five largest cities with a population of 100,000 or more, New Haven and Stamford had the fastest overall economic recovery last year.

CTEI: 2010 to 2019

When compared with 2010, when the employment recovery began in Connecticut, all 169 cities and towns' indexes showed increases in 2019. Among the small towns with residents fewer than 25,000, Hampton and North Stonington experienced the fastest economic growth between 2010 and 2019. Southington and Groton were the two fastest growing towns among those with a population between 25,000 and 100,000.

Among the largest cities (population over 100,000), as Chart 1 shows, New Haven and Stamford's economy grew the most in the last nine years. The map on page 4 also shows the different ranges of economic recovery rate of each municipality in the state.

LMA Indexes: 2010-2019

The index by Labor Market Area (LMA) is the average of all town indexes that make up that labor

market area. The index in all nine regions in Connecticut grew from 2010 to 2019. The Danielson-Northeast LMA's overall economy grew the fastest, followed by the New Haven and Waterbury areas. The Danbury, Norwich-New London, Enfield, and Bridgeport-Stamford LMA indexes, however, increased at a slower pace than the statewide index.

The Components of CTEI:

Establishments

The total number of business establishments in Connecticut rose by 1.4% to 123,767 in 2019, a slower growth than the 2.0% from the year before. Stamford continued to dominate, with the largest number of businesses (6,149) of the 169 cities and towns. Since 2010, Connecticut's overall number of businesses increased 11.2%. Overall, 69% of the total municipalities added new establishments over the year, and 92% since 2010.

Employment

Last year's average statewide employment fell 0.2% from 2018, the first decline in ten years. About 44% of the cities and towns in the state experienced job recovery over the year, lower than 59% from 2017 to 2018. Overall, 70% of the municipalities in the state have added jobs since the employment recovery began in 2010, dropping slightly from 72% during the 2010-2018 period.

Real Wages

In 2019, 61% of all cities and towns in the state posted inflation-adjusted wage gains over the year, significantly up from 30% in 2018. The statewide real annual average wage was \$59,239 per worker, a 3.1% increase over 2018 but still a 0.4% decrease from 2010. The highest real average wages were in businesses located in Greenwich at \$116,476 last year.

Unemployment Rate

Hartford continued to post the highest unemployment rate (6.6%) last year, a drop from 7.0% in 2018. Overall, the statewide rate fell from 4.1% in 2018 to 3.7% in 2019. For a

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CONNECTICUT TOWN ECONOMIC INDEXES (2010=100), 2016-2019*

Town/City	2016	2017	2018	2019	Town/City	2016	2017	2018	2019	Town/City	2016	2017	2018	2019
Andover	108.7	118.3	123.0	126.7	Griswold	114.6	124.4	133.0	140.8	Prospect	128.5	132.5	136.8	143.2
Ansonia	115.8	117.0	125.7	128.8	Groton	124.1	133.0	141.8	147.8	Putnam	122.3	125.7	130.5	144.0
Ashford	126.1	131.7	138.8	154.5	Guilford	129.9	138.8	142.1	151.6	Redding	125.1	129.1	137.9	138.0
Avon	118.9	121.8	128.6	139.9	Haddam	129.6	128.2	132.2	144.7	Ridgefield	119.1	120.0	127.2	131.0
Barkhamsted	122.7	123.8	127.7	140.4	Hamden	119.7	124.4	130.3	137.1	Rocky Hill	134.1	140.7	148.3	151.1
Beacon Falls	128.0	137.9	144.5	148.2	Hampton	133.0	139.1	149.9	180.3	Roxbury	126.2	120.4	123.1	145.8
Bethlehem	123.1	126.6	131.7	138.4	Hartford	119.7	124.9	132.5	136.9	Salem	115.4	115.5	125.9	136.9
Berlin	131.5	137.1	142.9	152.3	Hartland	123.8	123.2	125.5	125.1	Salisbury	121.5	118.1	127.3	137.2
Bethany	126.4	131.3	137.4	144.5	Harwinton	121.5	133.4	136.4	145.9	Scotland	106.3	110.1	117.9	122.5
Bethel	120.2	123.6	140.1	144.9	Hebron	123.6	123.1	135.0	139.5	Seymour	125.0	129.5	135.5	140.9
Bloomfield	124.7	124.2	135.5	142.1	Kent	132.6	127.9	146.3	151.3	Sharon	116.5	119.6	129.9	141.0
Bolton	122.6	129.6	141.7	147.3	Killingly	124.9	133.9	138.0	150.2	Shelton	120.8	120.2	126.1	135.0
Bozrah	121.5	127.0	135.3	150.2	Killingworth	117.8	126.2	134.5	145.2	Sherman	125.2	132.5	140.8	144.5
Branford	121.4	126.4	134.6	139.9	Lebanon	123.1	128.1	140.4	145.6	Simsbury	111.9	119.2	125.0	130.9
Bridgeport	118.6	122.3	129.1	135.4	Ledyard	122.1	128.1	136.2	143.9	Somers	117.8	119.6	128.6	133.2
Bridgewater	127.0	130.1	141.7	140.4	Lisbon	113.2	119.3	129.7	132.5	South Windsor	123.7	129.8	136.7	142.9
Bristol	127.3	131.1	137.8	144.2	Litchfield	121.5	123.6	135.3	137.8	Southbury	111.1	115.6	120.4	128.7
Brookfield	125.5	127.8	131.4	138.2	Lyme	128.5	128.7	127.8	137.2	Southington	126.3	131.8	138.8	149.5
Brooklyn	129.9	133.3	142.4	148.9	Madison	126.9	131.5	139.5	148.3	Sprague	112.1	112.4	123.4	129.5
Burlington	122.3	132.4	139.9	148.1	Manchester	120.5	124.6	130.8	137.3	Stafford	117.0	125.4	131.5	138.9
Canaan	149.8	146.8	149.9	168.9	Mansfield	120.1	131.6	136.0	135.6	Stamford	123.4	125.6	132.7	139.8
Canterbury	126.4	132.1	142.4	155.1	Marlborough	133.8	138.2	137.8	146.8	Sterling	116.8	118.9	129.0	133.7
Canton	129.9	136.3	140.8	146.9	Meriden	121.1	126.9	135.6	141.5	Stonington	123.9	127.6	132.2	139.8
Chaplin	108.9	115.3	117.9	130.2	Middlebury	122.5	127.4	137.2	144.2	Stratford	118.6	120.7	128.8	132.3
Cheshire	124.2	129.9	134.1	144.1	Middlefield	119.1	131.1	141.5	137.6	Suffield	121.6	125.2	131.4	137.6
Chester	123.2	123.1	136.1	134.9	Middletown	120.8	124.6	132.8	140.1	Thomaston	128.8	133.8	137.0	145.9
Clinton	125.1	127.0	136.1	141.1	Milford	126.8	130.1	137.0	144.5	Thompson	128.4	137.0	148.3	150.3
Colchester	129.6	135.8	144.4	149.2	Monroe	123.2	122.4	133.2	135.0	Tolland	118.4	122.7	127.1	131.9
Colebrook	101.6	105.9	114.7	118.7	Montville	120.8	125.4	130.3	136.8	Torrington	121.2	124.8	131.1	139.8
Columbia	116.1	120.7	125.8	134.1	Morris	136.6	137.7	140.2	155.4	Trumbull	115.3	117.4	120.7	125.1
Cornwall	139.4	136.4	141.8	146.3	Naugatuck	121.5	124.7	133.0	141.3	Union	110.1	122.2	150.3	139.9
Coventry	123.4	128.9	135.5	147.6	New Britain	122.9	128.0	134.4	139.0	Vernon	122.4	126.1	132.0	136.7
Cromwell	129.9	134.3	142.6	151.8	New Canaan	123.6	123.8	132.6	134.4	Voluntown	122.7	127.9	141.5	139.4
Danbury	124.8	129.0	136.3	140.9	New Fairfield	121.5	124.6	134.7	139.2	Wallingford	126.2	131.1	138.1	145.9
Darien	121.8	130.2	133.0	136.1	New Hartford	121.4	126.3	132.7	143.0	Warren	108.6	109.9	123.8	137.3
Deep River	123.7	128.3	128.4	142.8	New Haven	125.2	130.0	139.9	150.6	Washington	123.7	123.2	140.6	143.3
Derby	119.5	121.9	128.3	138.3	New London	110.7	116.2	122.5	128.3	Waterbury	119.6	123.9	130.6	137.2
Durham	128.4	133.4	135.8	146.1	New Milford	117.2	119.5	126.4	133.2	Waterford	117.9	125.7	133.6	134.2
East Granby	117.8	127.5	126.4	136.3	Newington	123.1	126.8	132.2	138.2	Watertown	121.0	126.6	135.0	139.9
East Haddam	120.3	122.1	131.3	137.6	Newtown	129.2	126.0	131.4	140.5	West Hartford	125.7	131.4	136.7	143.4
East Hampton	125.9	133.2	141.4	149.6	Norfolk	108.3	121.6	123.2	130.2	West Haven	125.5	128.3	135.2	143.9
East Hartford	121.9	130.1	136.5	145.3	North Branford	121.3	129.1	135.1	143.0	Westbrook	125.4	131.5	138.6	143.1
East Haven	121.7	126.0	136.6	142.3	North Canaan	114.8	127.8	127.7	130.6	Weston	117.8	120.4	127.8	134.7
East Lyme	116.3	122.6	126.0	132.9	North Haven	117.0	121.3	130.1	139.9	Westport	114.9	116.0	124.7	128.6
East Windsor	123.7	124.8	132.9	140.9	North Stonington	147.2	158.9	161.0	169.5	Wethersfield	124.0	125.4	136.7	142.7
Eastford	133.3	130.4	128.9	145.3	Norwalk	122.7	124.8	130.0	135.1	Willington	129.6	133.1	135.2	147.4
Easton	120.1	118.4	125.8	138.3	Norwich	120.3	128.7	135.3	141.6	Wilton	121.3	124.5	131.6	133.0
Ellington	128.6	135.8	142.0	152.3	Old Lyme	125.0	126.7	131.1	136.1	Winchester	128.4	130.4	137.4	142.3
Enfield	121.5	126.5	134.2	140.6	Old Saybrook	122.3	128.2	136.6	144.9	Windham	122.3	125.2	131.8	137.0
Essex	126.3	129.8	137.2	141.2	Orange	127.7	139.0	140.7	147.3	Windsor	120.5	123.6	132.1	136.8
Fairfield	126.1	121.7	128.4	134.0	Oxford	127.3	134.4	146.0	149.3	Windsor Locks	116.6	123.9	127.5	136.3
Farmington	125.1	129.3	136.1	145.8	Plainfield	125.1	130.4	138.7	146.8	Wolcott	128.3	135.0	143.8	150.1
Franklin	120.2	140.3	144.3	136.7	Plainville	127.7	127.9	136.4	148.5	Woodbridge	121.9	129.3	131.9	137.9
Glastonbury	124.6	132.3	139.5	146.0	Plymouth	126.6	132.5	140.7	141.3	Woodbury	124.1	133.8	139.0	143.0
Goshen	127.3	131.6	144.7	148.8	Pomfret	133.5	140.0	139.9	154.5	Woodstock	122.3	125.8	126.9	133.3
Granby	123.5	129.8	138.6	150.9	Portland	121.5	129.8	134.9	144.1					
Greenwich	116.1	118.4	128.0	131.3	Preston	118.3	122.6	133.5	133.6	CONNECTICUT	122.0	126.0	133.3	140.4

* 2010 = 100 for all 169 cities and towns 2005-2019 CTEI is available upon request

Source: Connecticut Department of Labor, Office of Research

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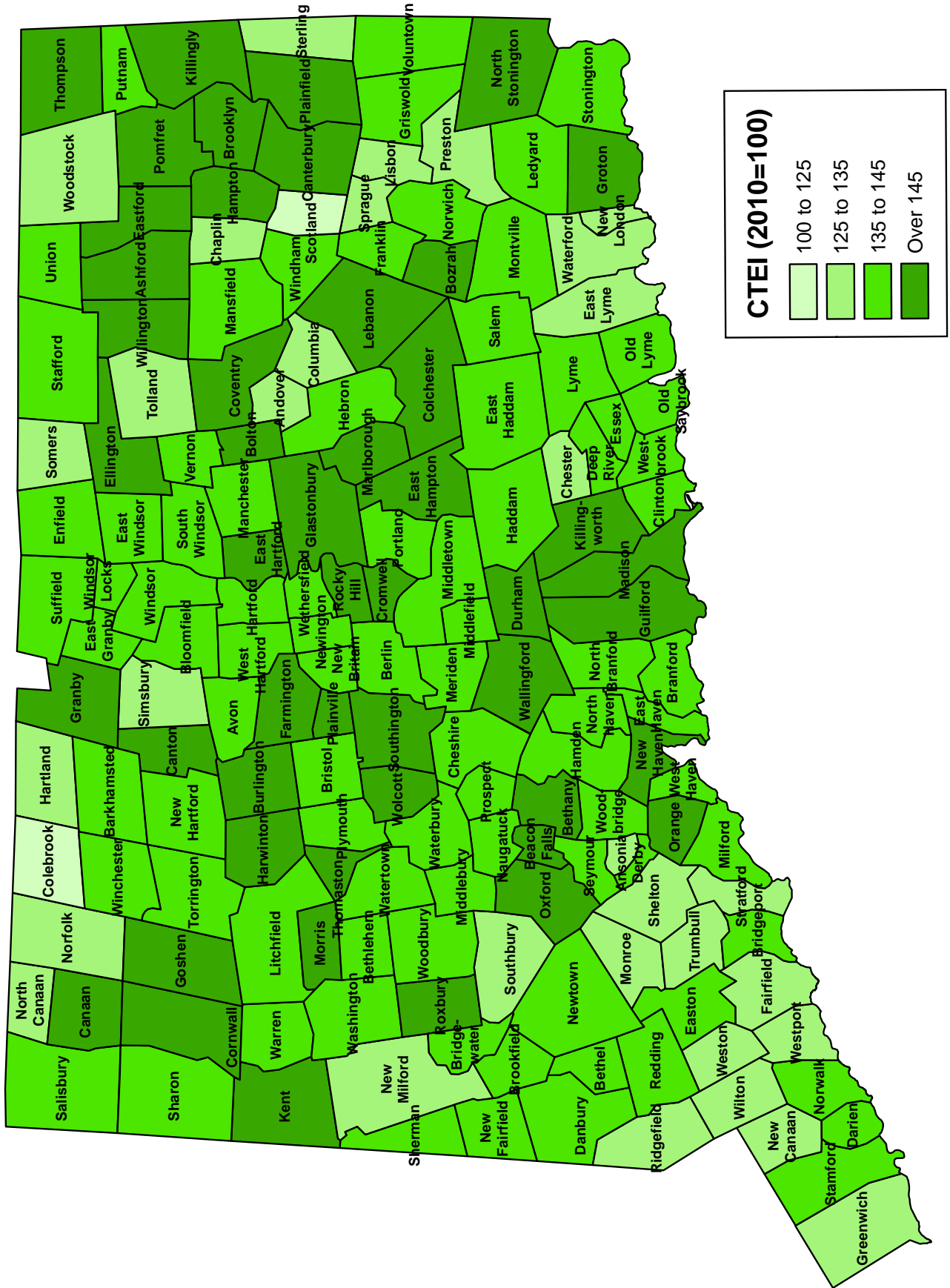
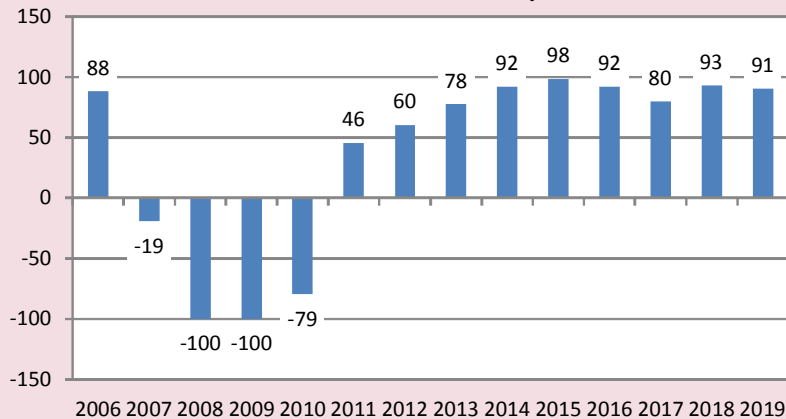


Chart 2. CTEI Diffusion Index, 2006-2019



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detailed analysis and the complete table of unemployment rates for all 169 municipalities, see “2019 Unemployment Rate by Town” in the June 2020 issue of the Connecticut Economic Digest.

CTEI Diffusion Index: 2006-2019

One way to measure aggregate performance of the CTEI of 169 cities and towns in Connecticut is to use a diffusion index. For each

town, the index figure is up, down, or unchanged over the year. The diffusion index is calculated by subtracting the share of towns that experienced decreases in their indexes from the share that had increases over the year.

As expected, during the 2008-2010 period, the index values were -100, -100, and -79, respectively, when Connecticut was in an employment downturn. The state economy gradually recovered from 2011, as the diffusion index numbers indicate on Chart 2, and by 2015 nearly all towns were gaining (+98). After slowing down during 2016 and 2017, the index picked up in 2018 (+93), but then slowed to 91 last year. And given the pandemic, 2020’s index is expected to be much worse. ■

GENERAL ECONOMIC INDICATORS

<i>(Seasonally adjusted)</i>	2Q	2Q	YoY CHG		1Q	QoQ CHG	
	2020	2019	NO.	%	2020	NO.	%
General Drift Indicator (1996=100)*							
Leading	120.2	141.5	-21.3	-15.0	132.6	-12.4	-9.3
Coincident	117.1	122.8	-5.7	-4.6	123.3	-6.2	-5
Real Gross Domestic Product** (2012 Chained \$, SAAR)							
	1Q	1Q	YoY CHG		4Q	QoQ CHG	
	2020	2019	NO.	%	2019	NO.	%
Connecticut (\$ in millions)	247,129.1	247,584.7	-455.6	-0.2	250,045.1	-2,916.0	-1.2
United States (\$ in millions)	18,977,363	18,927,281	50,082	0.3	19,221,970	-244,607	-1.3
New England (\$ in millions)	982,957.3	983,349.4	-392.1	0.0	996,132.2	-13,174.9	-1.3
Per Capita Personal Income** (Current \$, SAAR)							
	2Q	2Q	YoY CHG		1Q	QoQ CHG	
	2020	2019	NO.	%	2020	NO.	%
Connecticut	81,606	77,111	4,495	5.8	78,213	3,393	4.3
United States	61,842	56,307	5,535	9.8	57,519	4,323	7.5
New England	78,469	69,625	8,844	12.7	70,827	7,642	10.8
Philadelphia Fed's Coincident Index (2007=100)***							
	Aug	Aug	YoY CHG		Jul	MoM CHG	
	2020	2019	NO.	%	2020	NO.	%
Connecticut	113.59	128.48	-14.9	-11.6	108.28	5.3	4.9
United States	123.37	128.93	-5.6	-4.3	121.72	1.6	1.4

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

General Drift Indicators are composite measures of the four-quarter change in three coincident (Connecticut Manufacturing Production Index, nonfarm employment, and real personal income) and three leading (housing permits, manufacturing average weekly hours, and initial unemployment claims) economic variables, and are indexed so 1996 = 100.

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

Total nonfarm
employment decreased
over the year.

EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY SECTOR

	Aug	Aug	CHANGE		Jul
	2020	2019	NO.	%	2020
<i>(Seasonally adjusted; 000s)</i>					
TOTAL NONFARM	1,566.6	1,685.3	-118.7	-7.0	1,546.2
Natural Res & Mining	0.6	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.6
Construction	57.4	59.4	-2.0	-3.4	57.2
Manufacturing	154.7	162.0	-7.3	-4.5	156.2
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	274.8	292.4	-17.6	-6.0	272.3
Information	29.0	31.6	-2.6	-8.2	29.0
Financial Activities	119.8	123.8	-4.0	-3.2	118.7
Professional and Business Services	207.9	219.6	-11.7	-5.3	206.5
Education and Health Services	322.1	338.4	-16.3	-4.8	313.5
Leisure and Hospitality	121.2	157.2	-36.0	-22.9	117.0
Other Services	57.0	65.1	-8.1	-12.4	56.8
Government*	222.1	235.2	-13.1	-5.6	218.4

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

Average weekly initial
claims rose from a year
ago.

UNEMPLOYMENT

	Aug	Aug	CHANGE		Jul
	2020	2019	NO.	%	2020
<i>(Seasonally adjusted)</i>					
Labor Force, resident (000s)	1,866.9	1,917.7	-50.8	-2.6	1,900.5
Employed (000s)	1,716.0	1,846.3	-130.3	-7.1	1,706.2
Unemployed (000s)	150.9	71.4	79.5	111.3	194.3
Unemployment Rate (%)	8.1	3.7	4.4	---	10.2
Labor Force Participation Rate (%)	64.7	66.5	-1.8	---	65.8
Employment-Population Ratio (%)	59.4	64.0	-4.6	---	59.1
Average Weekly Initial Claims	9,378	3,280	6,098	185.9	11,168
Avg. Insured Unemp. Rate (%)	11.94	2.01	9.93	---	14.01
	2Q 2020	2Q 2019			1Q 2020
U-6 Rate (%)	10.5	8.7	1.8	---	8.1

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

The production worker
weekly earnings rose over
the year.

MANUFACTURING ACTIVITY

	Aug	Aug	CHANGE		Jul	Jun
	2020	2019	NO.	%	2020	2020
<i>(Not seasonally adjusted)</i>						
Production Worker Avg Wkly Hours	40.9	41.6	-0.7	-1.7	40.2	--
Prod. Worker Avg Hourly Earnings	28.93	27.08	1.85	6.8	29.51	--
Prod. Worker Avg Weekly Earnings	1,183.24	1,126.53	56.71	5.0	1,186.30	--
CT Mfg. Prod. Index, NSA (2009=100)	110.4	99.2	11.2	11.2	104.3	97.9
Production Worker Hours (000s)	299	258	41	16.0	280	--
Industrial Electricity Sales (mil kWh)*	290	258	32.3	12.5	271	249
CT Mfg. Prod. Index, SA (2009=100)	101.7	89.3	12.4	13.9	99.5	94.9

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

*Latest two months are forecasted.

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

INCOME

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

Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis

BUSINESS ACTIVITY

New auto registrations decreased over the year.

	MONTH	LEVEL	Y/Y %	YEAR TO DATE		%
			CHG	CURRENT	PRIOR	CHG
New Housing Permits*	Aug 2020	566	50.5	3,859	3,278	17.7
Electricity Sales (mil kWh)	Jul 2020	3,013	-0.5	15,844	16,328	-3.0
Construction Contracts						
Index (1980=100)	Aug 2020	470.9	82.2	---	---	---
New Auto Registrations	Aug 2020	19,203	-0.8	105,776	143,585	-26.3
Exports (Bil. \$)	2Q 2020	3.07	-24.1	7.22	8.43	-14.3
S&P 500: Monthly Close	Aug 2020	3,500.31	19.6	---	---	---

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

* Estimated by the Bureau of the Census

BUSINESS STARTS AND TERMINATIONS

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

	MO/QTR	LEVEL	Y/Y %	YEAR TO DATE		%
			CHG	CURRENT	PRIOR	CHG
STARTS						
Secretary of the State	Aug 2020	3,681	23.2	25,273	25,050	0.9
Department of Labor	4Q 2019	1,980	-9.9	10,423	11,081	-5.9
TERMINATIONS						
Secretary of the State	Aug 2020	674	-31.2	8,057	12,468	-35.4
Department of Labor	4Q 2019	2,554	-20.3	8,420	9,093	-7.4

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

STATE REVENUES

Gaming payments were down from a year ago.

	Aug	Aug	%	YEAR TO DATE		%
	2020	2019	CHG	CURRENT	PRIOR	CHG
<i>(Millions of dollars)</i>						
TOTAL ALL REVENUES*	1,006.7	914.0	10.1	NA	NA	NA
Corporate Tax	38.8	44.1	-12.0	NA	NA	NA
Personal Income Tax	392.2	411.4	-4.7	NA	NA	NA
Real Estate Conv. Tax	46.7	18.6	151.1	NA	NA	NA
Sales & Use Tax	375.2	298.3	25.8	NA	NA	NA
Gaming Payments**	18.8	22.6	-16.9	106.2	167.1	-36.4

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	Y/Y %	YEAR TO DATE		%
			CHG	CURRENT	PRIOR	CHG
Occupancy Rate (%)*	Aug 2020	55.8	-22.0	40.3	63.0	-36.0
Tourism Website Visitors	Aug 2020	656,039	-41.0	2,938,055	4,562,349	-35.6
Air Passenger Count	Jul 2020	155,444	-74.2	1,639,294	3,933,603	-58.3
Gaming Slots (Mil.\$)***	Aug 2020	869.6	-21.2	5,001.4	8,154.9	-38.7

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

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

***See page 23 for explanation

Compensation cost for the nation rose 2.7 percent over the year.

EMPLOYMENT COST INDEX

	Seasonally Adjusted			Not Seasonally Adjusted		
	Jun 2020	Mar 2020	3-Mo % Chg	Jun 2020	Jun 2019	12-Mo % Chg
Private Industry Workers <i>(Dec. 2005 = 100)</i>						
UNITED STATES TOTAL	139.9	139.3	0.4	140.1	136.4	2.7
Wages and Salaries	140.8	140.3	0.4	140.9	136.9	2.9
Benefit Costs	137.8	136.8	0.7	138.0	135.3	2.0
NORTHEAST TOTAL	---	---	---	142.6	139.0	2.6
Wages and Salaries	---	---	---	142.7	138.8	2.8

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

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

U.S. inflation rate was up by 1.3 percent over the year.

CONSUMER NEWS

	MO/QTR	LEVEL	% CHANGE	
			Y/Y	P/P*
<i>(Not seasonally adjusted)</i>				
CONSUMER PRICES				
CPI-U (1982-84=100)				
U.S. City Average	Aug 2020	259.918	1.3	0.3
Purchasing Power of \$ (1982-84=\$1.00)	Aug 2020	0.385	-1.3	-0.3
Northeast Region	Aug 2020	273.597	1.1	0.1
New York-Newark-Jersey City	Aug 2020	283.478	1.4	-0.1
Boston-Cambridge-Newton**	Jul 2020	283.175	0.8	0.2
CPI-W (1982-84=100)				
U.S. City Average	Aug 2020	253.597	1.4	0.4

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

*Change over prior monthly or quarterly period

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

Conventional mortgage rate fell to 2.94 percent over the month.

INTEREST RATES

	Aug 2020	Jul 2020	Aug 2019
<i>(Percent)</i>			
Prime	3.25	3.25	5.25
Federal Funds	0.10	0.09	2.13
3 Month Treasury Bill	0.10	0.13	1.99
6 Month Treasury Bill	0.12	0.14	1.93
1 Year Treasury Note	0.13	0.15	1.77
3 Year Treasury Note	0.16	0.17	1.51
5 Year Treasury Note	0.27	0.28	1.49
7 Year Treasury Note	0.46	0.46	1.55
10 Year Treasury Note	0.65	0.62	1.63
20 Year Treasury Note	1.14	1.09	1.91
Conventional Mortgage	2.94	3.02	3.62

Sources: Federal Reserve; Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp.

NONFARM EMPLOYMENT

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

<i>(Seasonally adjusted; 000s)</i>	Aug	Aug	CHANGE		Jul
	2020	2019	NO.	%	2020
Connecticut	1,566.6	1,685.3	-118.7	-7.0	1,546.2
Maine	582.0	637.3	-55.3	-8.7	575.9
Massachusetts	3,294.2	3,697.4	-403.2	-10.9	3,242.6
New Hampshire	631.0	686.2	-55.2	-8.0	620.3
New Jersey	3,820.0	4,198.3	-378.3	-9.0	3,754.0
New York	8,588.9	9,803.4	-1,214.5	-12.4	8,435.6
Pennsylvania	5,577.9	6,077.5	-499.6	-8.2	5,518.4
Rhode Island	466.2	503.4	-37.2	-7.4	459.3
Vermont	282.0	315.9	-33.9	-10.7	278.3
United States	140,914.0	151,160.0	-10,246.0	-6.8	139,543.0

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

LABOR FORCE

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

<i>(Seasonally adjusted)</i>	Aug	Aug	CHANGE		Jul
	2020	2019	NO.	%	2020
Connecticut	1,866,891	1,917,687	-50,796	-2.6	1,900,497
Maine	677,635	692,182	-14,547	-2.1	697,299
Massachusetts	3,545,759	3,822,170	-276,411	-7.2	3,673,375
New Hampshire	737,421	775,602	-38,181	-4.9	734,397
New Jersey	4,568,483	4,505,661	62,822	1.4	4,589,169
New York	9,493,609	9,501,909	-8,300	-0.1	9,580,264
Pennsylvania	6,302,459	6,505,764	-203,305	-3.1	6,361,009
Rhode Island	541,287	555,753	-14,466	-2.6	557,007
Vermont	324,350	341,361	-17,011	-5.0	339,162
United States	160,838,000	163,894,000	-3,056,000	-1.9	159,870,000

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

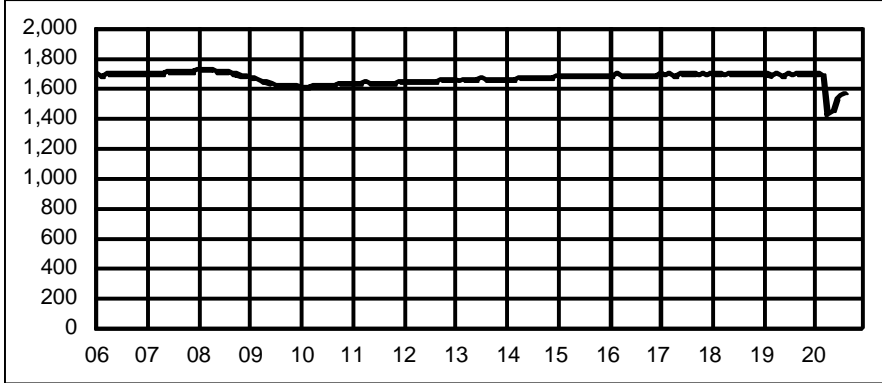
UNEMPLOYMENT RATES

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

<i>(Seasonally adjusted)</i>	Aug	Aug	CHANGE	Jul
	2020	2019		2020
Connecticut	8.1	3.7	4.4	10.2
Maine	6.9	2.9	4.0	9.9
Massachusetts	11.3	2.8	8.5	16.2
New Hampshire	6.5	2.6	3.9	8.0
New Jersey	10.9	3.5	7.4	14.2
New York	12.5	3.9	8.6	15.9
Pennsylvania	10.3	4.5	5.8	12.5
Rhode Island	12.8	3.5	9.3	11.3
Vermont	4.8	2.4	2.4	8.3
United States	8.4	3.7	4.7	10.2

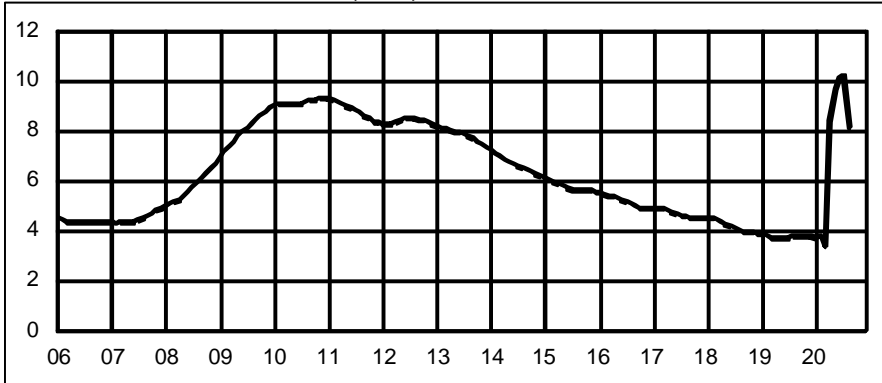
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TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT, SA, 000s



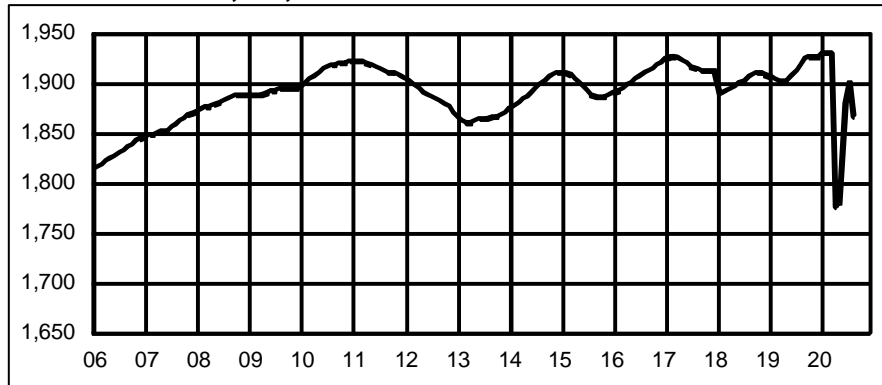
Month	2018	2019	2020
Jan	1,687.4	1,688.3	1,696.8
Feb	1,688.7	1,687.5	1,699.5
Mar	1,686.9	1,686.6	1,677.4
Apr	1,684.3	1,687.9	1,408.2
May	1,687.2	1,685.4	1,436.6
Jun	1,691.1	1,682.6	1,513.9
Jul	1,690.6	1,686.7	1,546.2
Aug	1,692.6	1,685.3	1,566.6
Sep	1,692.9	1,688.3	
Oct	1,692.6	1,690.0	
Nov	1,692.5	1,692.5	
Dec	1,692.6	1,693.5	

UNEMPLOYMENT RATE, SA, %



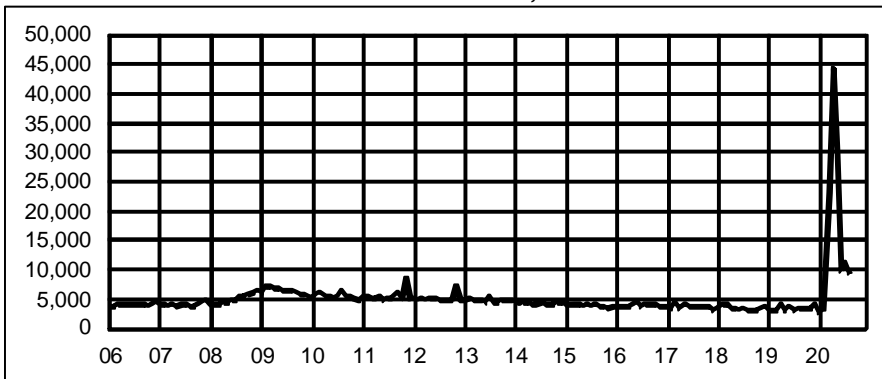
Month	2018	2019	2020
Jan	4.5	3.8	3.7
Feb	4.5	3.8	3.8
Mar	4.4	3.7	3.4
Apr	4.3	3.7	8.3
May	4.2	3.7	9.6
Jun	4.2	3.7	10.1
Jul	4.1	3.7	10.2
Aug	4.0	3.7	8.1
Sep	4.0	3.7	
Oct	3.9	3.8	
Nov	3.9	3.8	
Dec	3.9	3.8	

LABOR FORCE, SA, 000s



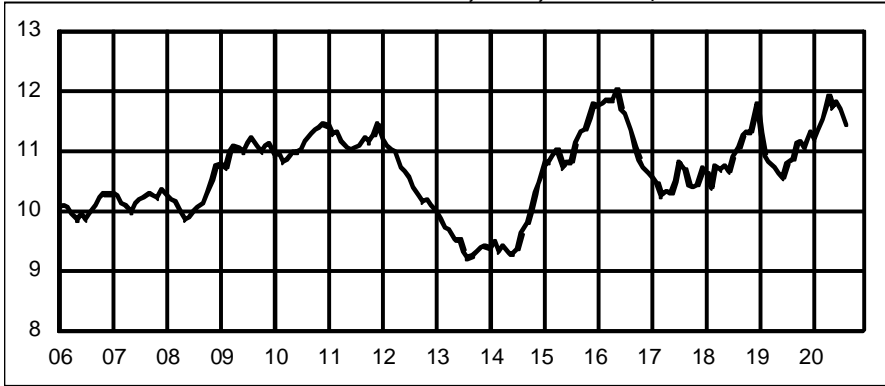
Month	2018	2019	2020
Jan	1,888.3	1,906.8	1,929.3
Feb	1,889.6	1,904.0	1,930.5
Mar	1,891.7	1,901.7	1,930.8
Apr	1,894.2	1,901.1	1,776.6
May	1,896.8	1,902.6	1,777.0
Jun	1,899.5	1,906.1	1,879.8
Jul	1,902.4	1,911.7	1,900.5
Aug	1,905.3	1,917.7	1,866.9
Sep	1,907.8	1,923.1	
Oct	1,909.5	1,926.8	
Nov	1,910.0	1,926.9	
Dec	1,909.0	1,926.3	

AVERAGE WEEKLY INITIAL CLAIMS, SA



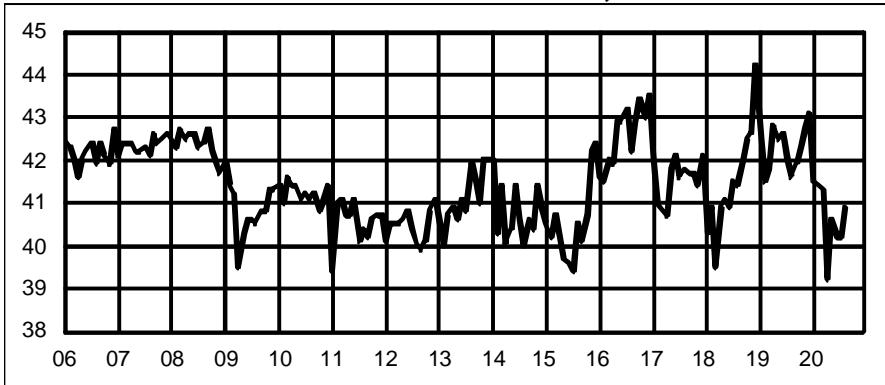
Month	2018	2019	2020
Jan	3,549	3,184	2,854
Feb	3,944	2,985	2,927
Mar	4,026	3,121	23,264
Apr	3,425	4,146	44,075
May	3,280	3,114	29,758
Jun	3,120	3,655	9,986
Jul	3,517	3,046	11,168
Aug	3,184	3,280	9,378
Sep	3,097	3,279	
Oct	3,214	3,238	
Nov	3,473	3,254	
Dec	3,896	4,146	

REAL AVG MFG HOURLY EARNINGS, NSA, 1982-84\$



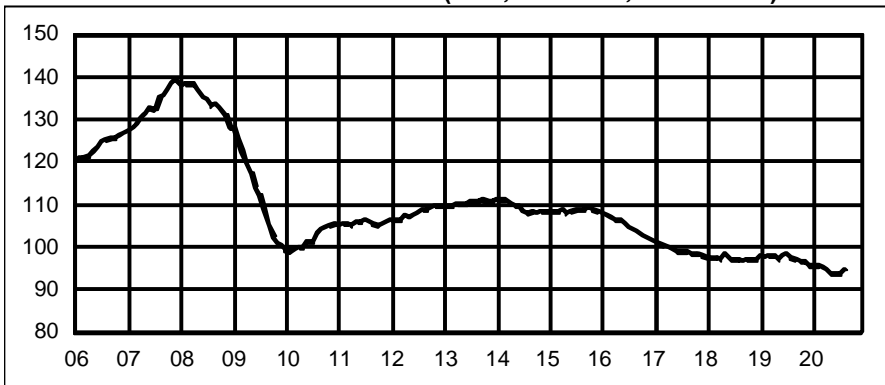
Month	2018	2019	2020
Jan	\$10.61	\$11.27	\$11.15
Feb	\$10.37	\$10.90	\$11.34
Mar	\$10.74	\$10.82	\$11.48
Apr	\$10.66	\$10.69	\$11.90
May	\$10.73	\$10.59	\$11.70
Jun	\$10.63	\$10.54	\$11.81
Jul	\$10.86	\$10.76	\$11.68
Aug	\$11.02	\$10.83	\$11.41
Sep	\$11.25	\$11.10	
Oct	\$11.31	\$11.15	
Nov	\$11.30	\$11.05	
Dec	\$11.75	\$11.30	

AVG MANUFACTURING WEEKLY HOURS, NSA



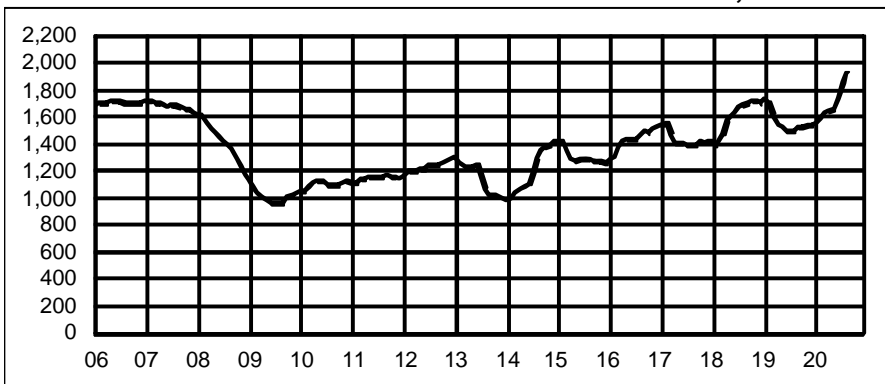
Month	2018	2019	2020
Jan	40.3	40.3	41.5
Feb	40.9	40.9	41.4
Mar	39.5	39.5	41.3
Apr	40.9	40.9	39.2
May	41.1	41.1	40.6
Jun	40.9	40.9	40.2
Jul	41.5	41.5	40.2
Aug	41.4	41.4	40.9
Sep	42.0	42.0	
Oct	42.5	42.5	
Nov	42.6	42.6	
Dec	44.2	44.2	

CT MFG PRODUCTION INDEX (NSA, 12 MMA, 2009=100)



Month	2018	2019	2020
Jan	97.2	97.7	95.7
Feb	97.4	97.4	95.6
Mar	97.3	97.8	95.1
Apr	97.0	98.0	94.5
May	98.5	96.8	93.6
Jun	97.0	97.6	93.8
Jul	96.9	98.2	93.7
Aug	96.8	97.3	94.7
Sep	96.6	97.0	
Oct	96.8	96.5	
Nov	96.7	96.4	
Dec	96.8	95.6	

SECRETARY OF STATE'S NET BUSINESS STARTS, 12MMA



Month	2018	2019	2020
Jan	1,412	1,723	1,544
Feb	1,392	1,695	1,573
Mar	1,468	1,616	1,620
Apr	1,562	1,541	1,632
May	1,598	1,514	1,651
Jun	1,628	1,491	1,728
Jul	1,667	1,489	1,843
Aug	1,681	1,489	1,926
Sep	1,692	1,514	
Oct	1,708	1,523	
Nov	1,710	1,541	
Dec	1,692	1,540	

CONNECTICUT



Not Seasonally Adjusted

	Aug	Aug	CHANGE		Jul
	2020	2019	NO.	%	2020
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT	1,557,300	1,672,300	-115,000	-6.9	1,542,600
TOTAL PRIVATE	1,351,000	1,454,500	-103,500	-7.1	1,340,500
GOODS PRODUCING INDUSTRIES	216,900	226,100	-9,200	-4.1	217,500
CONSTRUCTION, NAT. RES. & MINING	61,400	63,300	-1,900	-3.0	60,800
MANUFACTURING	155,500	162,800	-7,300	-4.5	156,700
Durable Goods	122,100	127,900	-5,800	-4.5	123,400
Fabricated Metal.....	29,500	29,900	-400	-1.3	29,900
Machinery.....	13,100	13,100	0	0.0	13,200
Computer and Electronic Product.....	10,800	10,900	-100	-0.9	10,800
Transportation Equipment.....	45,700	47,700	-2,000	-4.2	45,900
Aerospace Product and Parts.....	32,700	32,500	200	0.6	32,700
Non-Durable Goods	33,400	34,900	-1,500	-4.3	33,300
Chemical.....	8,300	8,000	300	3.8	8,400
SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES	1,340,400	1,446,200	-105,800	-7.3	1,325,100
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, UTILITIES	270,700	286,600	-15,900	-5.5	269,400
Wholesale Trade.....	58,300	59,800	-1,500	-2.5	58,800
Retail Trade.....	157,900	173,600	-15,700	-9.0	156,400
Motor Vehicle and Parts Dealers.....	20,200	22,000	-1,800	-8.2	20,100
Building Material.....	15,500	15,100	400	2.6	15,700
Food and Beverage Stores.....	40,800	41,800	-1,000	-2.4	41,100
General Merchandise Stores.....	28,900	26,700	2,200	8.2	28,000
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities.....	54,500	53,200	1,300	2.4	54,200
Utilities.....	5,100	5,200	-100	-1.9	5,100
Transportation and Warehousing.....	49,400	48,000	1,400	2.9	49,100
INFORMATION	29,100	31,900	-2,800	-8.8	29,200
Telecommunications.....	6,400	6,800	-400	-5.9	6,400
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	120,200	125,000	-4,800	-3.8	119,400
Finance and Insurance.....	101,300	104,300	-3,000	-2.9	100,800
Credit Intermediation and Related.....	21,600	22,800	-1,200	-5.3	21,600
Financial Investments and Related.....	21,800	22,300	-500	-2.2	21,500
Insurance Carriers & Related Activities.....	57,900	59,200	-1,300	-2.2	57,700
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing.....	18,900	20,700	-1,800	-8.7	18,600
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	209,700	222,200	-12,500	-5.6	209,500
Professional, Scientific.....	93,100	95,900	-2,800	-2.9	92,800
Legal Services.....	11,300	12,600	-1,300	-10.3	11,300
Computer Systems Design.....	21,600	23,300	-1,700	-7.3	21,800
Management of Companies.....	32,300	33,000	-700	-2.1	32,500
Administrative and Support.....	84,300	93,300	-9,000	-9.6	84,200
Employment Services.....	22,600	29,100	-6,500	-22.3	21,400
EDUCATION AND HEALTH SERVICES	316,400	330,900	-14,500	-4.4	309,500
Educational Services.....	56,200	59,100	-2,900	-4.9	56,300
Health Care and Social Assistance.....	260,200	271,800	-11,600	-4.3	253,200
Hospitals.....	59,800	59,200	600	1.0	59,600
Nursing & Residential Care Facilities.....	56,900	60,900	-4,000	-6.6	55,600
Social Assistance.....	55,400	57,900	-2,500	-4.3	53,400
LEISURE AND HOSPITALITY	129,800	165,700	-35,900	-21.7	128,400
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation.....	25,700	33,900	-8,200	-24.2	26,300
Accommodation and Food Services.....	104,100	131,800	-27,700	-21.0	102,100
Food Serv., Restaurants, Drinking Places.....	95,700	118,400	-22,700	-19.2	93,500
OTHER SERVICES	58,200	66,100	-7,900	-12.0	57,600
GOVERNMENT	206,300	217,800	-11,500	-5.3	202,100
Federal Government.....	21,800	18,400	3,400	18.5	19,700
State Government.....	64,900	64,100	800	1.2	64,200
Local Government***.....	119,600	135,300	-15,700	-11.6	118,200

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

BRIDGEPORT - STAMFORD LMA



Not Seasonally Adjusted

	Aug 2020	Aug 2019	CHANGE		Jul 2020
			NO.	%	
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT	361,100	404,500	-43,400	-10.7	360,900
TOTAL PRIVATE	323,500	363,400	-39,900	-11.0	322,700
GOODS PRODUCING INDUSTRIES	40,900	42,600	-1,700	-4.0	41,100
CONSTRUCTION, NAT. RES. & MINING	12,300	13,700	-1,400	-10.2	12,400
MANUFACTURING	28,600	28,900	-300	-1.0	28,700
Durable Goods.....	21,900	22,300	-400	-1.8	22,100
SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES	320,200	361,900	-41,700	-11.5	319,800
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, UTILITIES	60,600	66,000	-5,400	-8.2	59,900
Wholesale Trade.....	12,200	12,700	-500	-3.9	12,300
Retail Trade.....	39,800	45,100	-5,300	-11.8	39,100
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities....	8,600	8,200	400	4.9	8,500
INFORMATION	11,400	13,000	-1,600	-12.3	11,400
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	35,500	38,000	-2,500	-6.6	35,400
Finance and Insurance.....	29,500	31,500	-2,000	-6.3	29,300
Credit Intermediation and Related.....	8,100	8,300	-200	-2.4	8,100
Financial Investments and Related.....	15,800	16,200	-400	-2.5	15,800
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	59,200	67,300	-8,100	-12.0	58,700
Professional, Scientific.....	26,600	30,000	-3,400	-11.3	26,300
Administrative and Support.....	20,900	26,200	-5,300	-20.2	20,600
EDUCATION AND HEALTH SERVICES	65,900	72,500	-6,600	-9.1	65,500
Health Care and Social Assistance.....	56,700	61,600	-4,900	-8.0	56,200
LEISURE AND HOSPITALITY	37,400	45,900	-8,500	-18.5	38,200
Accommodation and Food Services.....	25,600	33,300	-7,700	-23.1	26,000
OTHER SERVICES	12,600	18,100	-5,500	-30.4	12,500
GOVERNMENT	37,600	41,100	-3,500	-8.5	38,200
Federal.....	2,500	2,500	0	0.0	2,400
State & Local.....	35,100	38,600	-3,500	-9.1	35,800

DANBURY LMA



Not Seasonally Adjusted

	Aug 2020	Aug 2019	CHANGE		Jul 2020
			NO.	%	
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT	72,500	77,400	-4,900	-6.3	71,600
TOTAL PRIVATE	62,700	68,400	-5,700	-8.3	62,700
GOODS PRODUCING INDUSTRIES	11,200	12,100	-900	-7.4	11,300
SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES	61,300	65,300	-4,000	-6.1	60,300
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, UTILITIES	15,800	16,600	-800	-4.8	15,700
Retail Trade.....	11,500	12,200	-700	-5.7	11,500
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	9,700	10,300	-600	-5.8	9,700
LEISURE AND HOSPITALITY	7,100	8,200	-1,100	-13.4	7,100
GOVERNMENT	9,800	9,000	800	8.9	8,900
Federal.....	1,600	800	800	100.0	800
State & Local.....	8,200	8,200	0	0.0	8,100

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

HARTFORD LMA



Not Seasonally Adjusted

	Aug 2020	Aug 2019	CHANGE		Jul 2020
			NO.	%	
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT	541,600	573,900	-32,300	-5.6	536,600
TOTAL PRIVATE	460,500	492,700	-32,200	-6.5	456,600
GOODS PRODUCING INDUSTRIES	78,100	81,900	-3,800	-4.6	78,800
CONSTRUCTION, NAT. RES. & MINING	20,000	21,000	-1,000	-4.8	19,700
MANUFACTURING	58,100	60,900	-2,800	-4.6	59,100
Durable Goods.....	48,200	50,600	-2,400	-4.7	49,300
Non-Durable Goods.....	9,900	10,300	-400	-3.9	9,800
SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES	463,500	492,000	-28,500	-5.8	457,800
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, UTILITIES	85,400	88,500	-3,100	-3.5	84,900
Wholesale Trade.....	16,900	17,700	-800	-4.5	17,000
Retail Trade.....	49,700	52,800	-3,100	-5.9	49,100
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities....	18,800	18,000	800	4.4	18,800
Transportation and Warehousing.....	18,100	17,200	900	5.2	18,100
INFORMATION	9,000	9,900	-900	-9.1	9,100
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	55,100	56,800	-1,700	-3.0	54,700
Depository Credit Institutions.....	5,300	5,600	-300	-5.4	5,300
Insurance Carriers & Related Activities....	37,300	39,100	-1,800	-4.6	37,600
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	70,500	74,600	-4,100	-5.5	70,000
Professional, Scientific.....	32,500	34,100	-1,600	-4.7	32,700
Management of Companies.....	12,300	12,300	0	0.0	12,200
Administrative and Support.....	25,700	28,200	-2,500	-8.9	25,100
EDUCATION AND HEALTH SERVICES	104,800	108,500	-3,700	-3.4	103,600
Educational Services.....	11,300	11,500	-200	-1.7	11,400
Health Care and Social Assistance.....	93,500	97,000	-3,500	-3.6	92,200
Ambulatory Health Care.....	32,100	33,000	-900	-2.7	31,300
LEISURE AND HOSPITALITY	36,000	49,600	-13,600	-27.4	34,200
Accommodation and Food Services.....	30,600	40,000	-9,400	-23.5	28,800
OTHER SERVICES	21,600	22,900	-1,300	-5.7	21,300
GOVERNMENT	81,100	81,200	-100	-0.1	80,000
Federal.....	6,300	5,500	800	14.5	6,300
State & Local.....	74,800	75,700	-900	-1.2	73,700

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT

Labor Market Areas	Aug 2020	Aug 2019	CHANGE		Jul 2020
			NO.	%	
BRIDGEPORT-STAMFORD LMA.....	359,700	404,400	-44,700	-11.1	354,600
DANBURY LMA.....	73,200	77,800	-4,600	-5.9	71,600
HARTFORD LMA.....	548,500	583,800	-35,300	-6.0	539,000
NEW HAVEN LMA.....	274,900	291,300	-16,400	-5.6	268,700
NORWICH-NEW LONDON LMA.....	113,600	128,700	-15,100	-11.7	112,400
WATERBURY LMA.....	62,000	67,900	-5,900	-8.7	59,800
ENFIELD LMA**.....	42,800	44,800	-2,000	-4.5	42,700
TORRINGTON-NORTHWEST LMA**.....	30,500	32,900	-2,400	-7.3	29,900
DANIELSON-NORTHEAST LMA**.....	25,900	27,400	-1,500	-5.5	26,000

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*Total excludes workers idled due to labor-management disputes

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

NEW HAVEN LMA



Not Seasonally Adjusted

	Aug 2020	Aug 2019	CHANGE		Jul 2020
			NO.	%	
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT	271,300	285,900	-14,600	-5.1	266,700
TOTAL PRIVATE	239,200	254,200	-15,000	-5.9	235,900
GOODS PRODUCING INDUSTRIES	33,600	36,000	-2,400	-6.7	33,900
CONSTRUCTION, NAT. RES. & MINING	11,100	11,800	-700	-5.9	11,200
MANUFACTURING	22,500	24,200	-1,700	-7.0	22,700
Durable Goods.....	17,100	17,700	-600	-3.4	17,300
SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES	237,700	249,900	-12,200	-4.9	232,800
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, UTILITIES	49,400	52,300	-2,900	-5.5	48,600
Wholesale Trade.....	11,200	11,300	-100	-0.9	11,200
Retail Trade.....	26,400	28,500	-2,100	-7.4	25,700
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities....	11,800	12,500	-700	-5.6	11,700
INFORMATION	3,400	3,700	-300	-8.1	3,400
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	11,900	12,200	-300	-2.5	11,800
Finance and Insurance.....	8,300	8,400	-100	-1.2	8,300
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	31,000	31,300	-300	-1.0	30,800
Administrative and Support.....	15,600	16,600	-1,000	-6.0	15,500
EDUCATION AND HEALTH SERVICES	78,700	80,100	-1,400	-1.7	76,200
Educational Services.....	27,800	28,200	-400	-1.4	27,700
Health Care and Social Assistance.....	50,900	51,900	-1,000	-1.9	48,500
LEISURE AND HOSPITALITY	20,500	27,300	-6,800	-24.9	20,600
Accommodation and Food Services.....	15,800	22,200	-6,400	-28.8	15,500
OTHER SERVICES	10,700	11,300	-600	-5.3	10,600
GOVERNMENT	32,100	31,700	400	1.3	30,800
Federal.....	6,100	4,900	1,200	24.5	5,100
State & Local.....	26,000	26,800	-800	-3.0	25,700

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HELP WANTED ONLINE

Connecticut HWOL: August 2020

Labor Market Area	August 2020 Total	Occupation With Most Ads	Ads	Industry Sector With Most Ads	Ads
Hartford-West Hartford-East Hartford	15,105	Software Developers, Applications	524	Health Care and Social Assistance	2,411
Bridgeport-Stamford-Norwalk	10,461	Retail Salespersons	376	Health Care and Social Assistance	1,754
New Haven	6,221	Retail Salespersons	297	Health Care and Social Assistance	1,132
Norwich-New London	2,742	Retail Salespersons	156	Health Care and Social Assistance	546
Danbury	1,599	Retail Salespersons	130	Retail Trade	343
Waterbury	1,529	Registered Nurses	75	Health Care and Social Assistance	381
Enfield	1,030	Retail Salespersons	49	Retail Trade	162
Torrington	666	Laborers and Freight, Stock, & Material Movers	27	Health Care and Social Assistance	169
Danielson-Northeast	536	Registered Nurses	34	Health Care and Social Assistance	161

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*

	Aug 2020	Aug 2019	CHANGE		Jul 2020
			NO.	%	
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT	114,700	130,600	-15,900	-12.2	113,600
TOTAL PRIVATE	91,200	100,900	-9,700	-9.6	90,500
GOODS PRODUCING INDUSTRIES	21,600	21,900	-300	-1.4	21,500
CONSTRUCTION, NAT. RES. & MINING	4,200	4,000	200	5.0	4,200
MANUFACTURING	17,400	17,900	-500	-2.8	17,300
Durable Goods.....	14,200	14,600	-400	-2.7	14,200
Non-Durable Goods.....	3,200	3,300	-100	-3.0	3,100
SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES	93,100	108,700	-15,600	-14.4	92,100
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, UTILITIES	20,700	21,900	-1,200	-5.5	20,600
Wholesale Trade.....	2,200	2,300	-100	-4.3	2,200
Retail Trade.....	14,400	15,500	-1,100	-7.1	14,300
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities....	4,100	4,100	0	0.0	4,100
INFORMATION	1,200	1,400	-200	-14.3	1,200
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	2,800	2,900	-100	-3.4	2,800
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	8,600	9,000	-400	-4.4	8,600
EDUCATION AND HEALTH SERVICES	18,200	20,500	-2,300	-11.2	17,500
Health Care and Social Assistance.....	16,500	18,200	-1,700	-9.3	16,300
LEISURE AND HOSPITALITY	14,800	19,700	-4,900	-24.9	15,000
Accommodation and Food Services.....	11,900	16,200	-4,300	-26.5	12,000
Food Serv., Restaurants, Drinking Places.	8,400	13,500	-5,100	-37.8	8,200
OTHER SERVICES	3,300	3,600	-300	-8.3	3,300
GOVERNMENT	23,500	29,700	-6,200	-20.9	23,100
Federal.....	3,100	2,900	200	6.9	3,000
State & Local**.....	20,400	26,800	-6,400	-23.9	20,100

WATERBURY LMA*Not Seasonally Adjusted*

	Aug 2020	Aug 2019	CHANGE		Jul 2020
			NO.	%	
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT	61,200	66,900	-5,700	-8.5	59,700
TOTAL PRIVATE	52,100	57,500	-5,400	-9.4	51,100
GOODS PRODUCING INDUSTRIES	9,900	10,500	-600	-5.7	9,900
CONSTRUCTION, NAT. RES. & MINING	3,000	3,100	-100	-3.2	3,000
MANUFACTURING	6,900	7,400	-500	-6.8	6,900
SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES	51,300	56,400	-5,100	-9.0	49,800
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, UTILITIES	11,800	12,500	-700	-5.6	11,700
Wholesale Trade.....	1,800	2,000	-200	-10.0	1,700
Retail Trade.....	8,400	8,700	-300	-3.4	8,300
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities....	1,600	1,800	-200	-11.1	1,700
INFORMATION	500	600	-100	-16.7	500
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	2,100	2,000	100	5.0	2,100
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	4,900	5,500	-600	-10.9	5,000
EDUCATION AND HEALTH SERVICES	15,800	17,300	-1,500	-8.7	15,200
Health Care and Social Assistance.....	14,300	15,700	-1,400	-8.9	13,700
LEISURE AND HOSPITALITY	4,600	6,300	-1,700	-27.0	4,300
OTHER SERVICES	2,500	2,800	-300	-10.7	2,400
GOVERNMENT	9,100	9,400	-300	-3.2	8,600
Federal.....	500	500	0	0.0	500
State & Local.....	8,600	8,900	-300	-3.4	8,100

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SMALLER LMAS*



Not Seasonally Adjusted

	Aug 2020	Aug 2019	CHANGE		Jul 2020
			NO.	%	
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT					
ENFIELD LMA.....	42,800	44,800	-2,000	-4.5	42,500
TORRINGTON-NORTHWEST LMA.....	30,900	33,400	-2,500	-7.5	30,800
DANIELSON-NORTHEAST LMA.....	26,100	27,600	-1,500	-5.4	26,000

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

* State-designated Non-CES areas

SPRINGFIELD, MA-CT NECTA**

Not Seasonally Adjusted

	Aug 2020	Aug 2019	CHANGE		Jul 2020
			NO.	%	
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT.....	291,200	332,600	-41,400	-12.4	286,200
TOTAL PRIVATE.....	242,200	275,800	-33,600	-12.2	238,000
GOODS PRODUCING INDUSTRIES.....	38,400	42,100	-3,700	-8.8	38,100
CONSTRUCTION, NAT. RES. & MINING.....	10,600	12,700	-2,100	-16.5	10,600
MANUFACTURING.....	27,800	29,400	-1,600	-5.4	27,500
Durable Goods.....	18,500	19,400	-900	-4.6	18,300
Non-Durable Goods.....	9,300	10,000	-700	-7.0	9,200
SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES.....	252,800	290,500	-37,700	-13.0	248,100
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, UTILITIES.....	52,600	58,900	-6,300	-10.7	51,900
Wholesale Trade.....	10,900	11,900	-1,000	-8.4	10,900
Retail Trade.....	31,300	32,900	-1,600	-4.9	30,700
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities.....	10,400	14,100	-3,700	-26.2	10,300
INFORMATION.....	3,000	3,100	-100	-3.2	3,000
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES.....	16,100	16,400	-300	-1.8	16,200
Finance and Insurance.....	12,600	12,700	-100	-0.8	12,700
Insurance Carriers & Related Activities.....	8,700	8,800	-100	-1.1	8,700
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES.....	24,100	27,600	-3,500	-12.7	24,000
EDUCATION AND HEALTH SERVICES.....	74,200	80,900	-6,700	-8.3	71,000
Educational Services.....	12,000	13,000	-1,000	-7.7	11,700
Health Care and Social Assistance.....	62,200	67,900	-5,700	-8.4	59,300
LEISURE AND HOSPITALITY.....	22,300	33,500	-11,200	-33.4	22,300
OTHER SERVICES.....	11,500	13,300	-1,800	-13.5	11,500
GOVERNMENT.....	49,000	56,800	-7,800	-13.7	48,200
Federal.....	6,300	5,900	400	6.8	5,700
State & Local.....	42,700	50,900	-8,200	-16.1	42,500

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** New England City and Town Area

LMA LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES

		Aug	Aug	CHANGE		Jul
<i>(Not seasonally adjusted)</i>		2020	2019	NO.	%	2020
	EMPLOYMENT STATUS					
CONNECTICUT	Civilian Labor Force	1,877,400	1,925,800	-48,400	-2.5	1,934,600
	Employed	1,724,100	1,852,700	-128,600	-6.9	1,734,600
	Unemployed	153,300	73,100	80,200	109.7	200,000
	Unemployment Rate	8.2	3.8	4.4	---	10.3
BRIDGEPORT-STAMFORD LMA	Civilian Labor Force	450,200	471,000	-20,800	-4.4	466,600
	Employed	412,000	453,200	-41,200	-9.1	416,600
	Unemployed	38,200	17,900	20,300	113.4	50,000
	Unemployment Rate	8.5	3.8	4.7	---	10.7
DANBURY LMA	Civilian Labor Force	105,200	108,500	-3,300	-3.0	108,000
	Employed	97,800	105,100	-7,300	-6.9	98,200
	Unemployed	7,400	3,400	4,000	117.6	9,800
	Unemployment Rate	7.0	3.2	3.8	---	9.1
DANIELSON-NORTHEAST LMA	Civilian Labor Force	43,200	44,400	-1,200	-2.7	44,200
	Employed	40,000	42,800	-2,800	-6.5	40,000
	Unemployed	3,200	1,700	1,500	88.2	4,200
	Unemployment Rate	7.4	3.7	3.7	---	9.5
ENFIELD LMA	Civilian Labor Force	47,200	50,700	-3,500	-6.9	48,400
	Employed	43,600	48,900	-5,300	-10.8	43,600
	Unemployed	3,600	1,800	1,800	100.0	4,800
	Unemployment Rate	7.7	3.5	4.2	---	9.9
HARTFORD LMA	Civilian Labor Force	623,800	630,400	-6,600	-1.0	642,700
	Employed	574,000	605,700	-31,700	-5.2	577,800
	Unemployed	49,800	24,700	25,100	101.6	64,900
	Unemployment Rate	8.0	3.9	4.1	---	10.1
NEW HAVEN LMA	Civilian Labor Force	327,200	331,000	-3,800	-1.1	335,700
	Employed	302,100	318,800	-16,700	-5.2	303,100
	Unemployed	25,200	12,200	13,000	106.6	32,600
	Unemployment Rate	7.7	3.7	4.0	---	9.7
NORWICH-NEW LONDON LMA	Civilian Labor Force	139,400	145,300	-5,900	-4.1	144,600
	Employed	125,200	140,100	-14,900	-10.6	126,700
	Unemployed	14,200	5,100	9,100	178.4	17,900
	Unemployment Rate	10.2	3.5	6.7	---	12.3
TORRINGTON-NORTHWEST LMA	Civilian Labor Force	46,500	48,300	-1,800	-3.7	47,600
	Employed	43,400	46,700	-3,300	-7.1	43,400
	Unemployed	3,200	1,600	1,600	100.0	4,200
	Unemployment Rate	6.8	3.3	3.5	---	8.7
WATERBURY LMA	Civilian Labor Force	109,700	112,100	-2,400	-2.1	112,700
	Employed	99,100	106,900	-7,800	-7.3	99,100
	Unemployed	10,600	5,300	5,300	100.0	13,500
	Unemployment Rate	9.6	4.7	4.9	---	12.0
UNITED STATES	Civilian Labor Force	160,966,000	164,019,000	-3,053,000	-1.9	161,374,000
	Employed	147,224,000	157,816,000	-10,592,000	-6.7	144,492,000
	Unemployed	13,742,000	6,203,000	7,539,000	121.5	16,882,000
	Unemployment Rate	8.5	3.8	4.7	---	10.5

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	AVG WEEKLY EARNINGS				AVG WEEKLY HOURS				AVG HOURLY EARNINGS			
	Aug		CHG	Jul	Aug		CHG	Jul	Aug		CHG	Jul
(Not seasonally adjusted)	2020	2019	Y/Y	2020	2020	2019	Y/Y	2020	2020	2019	Y/Y	2020
PRODUCTION WORKER												
MANUFACTURING	\$1,183.24	\$1,126.53	\$56.71	\$1,186.30	40.9	41.6	-0.7	40.2	\$28.93	\$27.08	\$1.85	\$29.51
DURABLE GOODS	1,252.89	1,240.53	12.36	1,254.54	41.2	41.2	0.0	40.6	30.41	30.11	0.30	30.90
NON-DUR. GOODS	953.61	779.49	174.12	972.16	39.8	42.9	-3.1	39.2	23.96	18.17	5.79	24.80
CONSTRUCTION	1,441.55	1,283.14	158.41	1,347.42	41.4	41.1	0.3	39.9	34.82	31.22	3.60	33.77
ALL EMPLOYEES												
STATEWIDE												
TOTAL PRIVATE	1,163.06	1,101.41	61.65	1,152.48	34.4	33.9	0.5	34.3	33.81	32.49	1.32	33.60
GOODS PRODUCING	1,439.68	1,396.02	43.65	1,407.12	39.4	38.8	0.6	39.0	36.54	35.98	0.56	36.08
Construction	1,453.68	1,326.57	127.10	1,418.92	38.6	38.8	-0.2	38.0	37.66	34.19	3.47	37.34
Manufacturing	1,422.00	1,459.77	-37.77	1,405.32	39.5	39.4	0.1	39.2	36.00	37.05	-1.05	35.85
SERVICE PROVIDING	1,108.55	1,047.09	61.46	1,103.54	33.4	33.0	0.4	33.4	33.19	31.73	1.46	33.04
Trade, Transp., Utilities	1,009.79	926.85	82.94	1,001.41	34.3	33.4	0.9	33.9	29.44	27.75	1.69	29.54
Financial Activities	1,961.07	1,787.11	173.96	1,878.72	39.3	37.1	2.2	38.0	49.90	48.17	1.73	49.44
Prof. & Business Serv.	1,273.77	1,235.05	38.72	1,244.88	35.6	34.8	0.8	34.9	35.78	35.49	0.29	35.67
Education & Health Ser.	1,017.65	961.67	55.98	1,037.34	33.3	32.9	0.4	33.9	30.56	29.23	1.33	30.60
Leisure & Hospitality	469.65	446.15	23.49	484.65	25.4	25.7	-0.3	26.6	18.49	17.36	1.13	18.22
Other Services	761.63	776.30	-14.67	790.65	30.6	32.4	-1.8	31.4	24.89	23.96	0.93	25.18
LABOR MARKET AREAS: TOTAL PRIVATE												
Bridgeport-Stamford	1,273.74	1,165.86	107.88	1,243.04	34.5	34.0	0.5	34.5	36.92	34.29	2.63	36.03
Danbury	1,066.06	1,067.06	-1.01	1,035.63	34.4	34.6	-0.2	33.8	30.99	30.84	0.15	30.64
Hartford	1,202.53	1,179.21	23.32	1,190.44	35.1	34.5	0.6	34.9	34.26	34.18	0.08	34.11
New Haven	1,099.42	1,034.25	65.17	1,097.18	34.4	33.7	0.7	34.0	31.96	30.69	1.27	32.27
Norwich-New London	890.51	787.19	103.32	888.72	32.3	30.3	2.0	32.2	27.57	25.98	1.59	27.60
Waterbury	937.90	942.44	-4.53	951.96	32.6	35.1	-2.5	33.1	28.77	26.85	1.92	28.76

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BUSINESS AND EMPLOYMENT CHANGES ANNOUNCED IN THE NEWS MEDIA

New Companies and Expansions

- Tech giant Infosys, with expanding CT presence, increases its U.S. hiring commitment to 25,000
- Chick-fil-A makes another try at opening a Manchester restaurant
- Capuli Restaurant moves into Westport Pizzeria Space
- Windsor IT services provider Cooperative Systems has acquired Fandotech, a cloud infrastructure provider in Manchester
- FedEx looking to hire 1,300 seasonal employees in Hartford

Layoffs and Closures

- Bed, Bath & Beyond to close four stores in Connecticut
- Stamford-based Synchrony looks to reduce real estate, headcount
- WFSB-TV In Rocky Hill announces layoffs
- Raytheon cutting 15,000 jobs at Pratt & Whitney, Collins Aerospace and corporate offices in response to slump in aviation
- Norwich AC Linen laying off 123 employees
- Ted's Montana Grill closes Hartford location on Front Street

(By Place of Residence - Not Seasonally Adjusted)

AUGUST 2020

LMA/TOWNS	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYED	UNEMPLOYED	%	LMA/TOWNS	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYED	UNEMPLOYED	%
BRIDGEPORT-STAMFORD					HARTFORD cont...				
	450,217	412,021	38,196	8.5	Canton	5,617	5,327	290	5.2
Ansonia	9,084	8,077	1,007	11.1	Chaplin	1,251	1,160	91	7.3
Bridgeport	68,570	59,916	8,654	12.6	Colchester	9,295	8,742	553	5.9
Darien	8,155	7,712	443	5.4	Columbia	3,166	3,004	162	5.1
Derby	6,532	5,896	636	9.7	Coventry	7,721	7,290	431	5.6
Easton	3,658	3,425	233	6.4	Cromwell	7,932	7,385	547	6.9
Fairfield	28,216	26,226	1,990	7.1	East Granby	3,071	2,868	203	6.6
Greenwich	27,564	25,858	1,706	6.2	East Haddam	4,963	4,640	323	6.5
Milford	29,481	27,213	2,268	7.7	East Hampton	7,653	7,193	460	6.0
Monroe	9,594	8,937	657	6.8	East Hartford	27,895	24,745	3,150	11.3
New Canaan	7,938	7,468	470	5.9	Ellington	9,369	8,858	511	5.5
Norwalk	49,531	45,314	4,217	8.5	Farmington	14,056	13,261	795	5.7
Oxford	6,959	6,514	445	6.4	Glastonbury	18,854	17,785	1,069	5.7
Redding	4,207	3,942	265	6.3	Granby	6,759	6,418	341	5.0
Ridgefield	11,204	10,559	645	5.8	Haddam	5,000	4,723	277	5.5
Seymour	8,596	7,941	655	7.6	Hartford	55,367	47,284	8,083	14.6
Shelton	21,230	19,552	1,678	7.9	Hartland	1,123	1,072	51	4.5
Southbury	8,380	7,778	602	7.2	Harwinton	3,157	3,001	156	4.9
Stamford	68,762	62,696	6,066	8.8	Hebron	5,477	5,160	317	5.8
Stratford	26,559	23,960	2,599	9.8	Lebanon	4,040	3,777	263	6.5
Trumbull	17,134	15,873	1,261	7.4	Manchester	33,389	30,410	2,979	8.9
Weston	4,157	3,874	283	6.8	Mansfield	12,268	11,696	572	4.7
Westport	12,115	11,432	683	5.6	Marlborough	3,526	3,347	179	5.1
Wilton	8,000	7,522	478	6.0	Middletown	25,958	24,018	1,940	7.5
Woodbridge	4,593	4,337	256	5.6	New Britain	37,679	33,222	4,457	11.8
					New Hartford	3,939	3,718	221	5.6
DANBURY	105,237	97,821	7,416	7.0	Newington	17,261	15,980	1,281	7.4
Bethel	10,798	9,997	801	7.4	Plainville	10,484	9,682	802	7.6
Bridgewater	819	772	47	5.7	Plymouth	6,620	6,107	513	7.7
Brookfield	9,200	8,545	655	7.1	Portland	5,401	5,080	321	5.9
Danbury	46,724	43,351	3,373	7.2	Rocky Hill	11,570	10,870	700	6.1
New Fairfield	7,016	6,522	494	7.0	Scotland	949	895	54	5.7
New Milford	14,982	13,930	1,052	7.0	Simsbury	13,573	12,826	747	5.5
Newtown	13,865	12,987	878	6.3	Southington	24,460	22,906	1,554	6.4
Sherman	1,834	1,717	117	6.4	South Windsor	14,306	13,356	950	6.6
					Stafford	6,844	6,356	488	7.1
ENFIELD	47,230	43,614	3,616	7.7	Thomaston	4,670	4,399	271	5.8
East Windsor	6,173	5,683	490	7.9	Tolland	8,444	8,004	440	5.2
Enfield	21,953	20,221	1,732	7.9	Union	452	434	18	4.0
Somers	4,710	4,391	319	6.8	Vernon	17,469	16,100	1,369	7.8
Suffield	7,144	6,678	466	6.5	West Hartford	34,424	32,247	2,177	6.3
Windsor Locks	7,249	6,640	609	8.4	Wethersfield	14,053	13,014	1,039	7.4
					Willington	3,626	3,411	215	5.9
HARTFORD	623,780	573,978	49,802	8.0	Windham	12,370	11,313	1,057	8.5
Andover	1,927	1,802	125	6.5	Windsor	16,725	15,314	1,411	8.4
Ashford	2,535	2,395	140	5.5					
Avon	9,326	8,821	505	5.4					
Barkhamsted	2,279	2,140	139	6.1					
Berlin	11,665	10,951	714	6.1					
Bloomfield	11,937	10,894	1,043	8.7					
Bolton	3,112	2,959	153	4.9					
Bristol	33,156	30,313	2,843	8.6					
Burlington	5,617	5,303	314	5.6					

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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)

AUGUST 2020

LMA/TOWNS	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYED	UNEMPLOYED	%	LMA/TOWNS	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYED	UNEMPLOYED	%
NEW HAVEN	327,243	302,091	25,152	7.7	TORRINGTON-NORTHWEST				
Bethany	3,093	2,918	175	5.7		46,531	43,375	3,156	6.8
Branford	16,093	14,999	1,094	6.8	Canaan	637	603	34	5.3
Cheshire	15,574	14,738	836	5.4	Colebrook	801	758	43	5.4
Chester	2,357	2,208	149	6.3	Cornwall	767	723	44	5.7
Clinton	7,312	6,841	471	6.4	Goshen	1,617	1,539	78	4.8
Deep River	2,839	2,690	149	5.2	Kent	1,479	1,404	75	5.1
Durham	4,254	4,043	211	5.0	Litchfield	4,732	4,482	250	5.3
East Haven	15,934	14,557	1,377	8.6	Morris	1,393	1,328	65	4.7
Essex	3,414	3,216	198	5.8	Norfolk	896	847	49	5.5
Guilford	12,830	12,158	672	5.2	North Canaan	1,743	1,639	104	6.0
Hamden	35,535	32,893	2,642	7.4	Roxbury	1,314	1,252	62	4.7
Killingworth	3,759	3,597	162	4.3	Salisbury	1,789	1,708	81	4.5
Madison	9,039	8,529	510	5.6	Sharon	1,465	1,404	61	4.2
Meriden	32,462	29,441	3,021	9.3	Torrington	19,007	17,419	1,588	8.4
Middlefield	2,513	2,365	148	5.9	Warren	788	742	46	5.8
New Haven	65,623	59,279	6,344	9.7	Washington	2,050	1,938	112	5.5
North Branford	8,127	7,662	465	5.7	Winchester	6,055	5,590	465	7.7
North Haven	13,439	12,515	924	6.9	WATERBURY				
Old Saybrook	5,127	4,778	349	6.8		109,701	99,116	10,585	9.6
Orange	7,357	6,862	495	6.7	Beacon Falls	3,426	3,187	239	7.0
Wallingford	26,220	24,499	1,721	6.6	Bethlehem	1,860	1,758	102	5.5
West Haven	30,678	27,871	2,807	9.1	Middlebury	3,836	3,585	251	6.5
Westbrook	3,666	3,433	233	6.4	Naugatuck	16,926	15,458	1,468	8.7
*NORWICH-NEW LONDON-WESTERLY, CT PART					Prospect	5,468	5,126	342	6.3
	124,271	112,078	12,193	9.8	Waterbury	50,636	44,285	6,351	12.5
Bozrah	1,387	1,281	106	7.6	Watertown	12,550	11,703	847	6.7
Canterbury	2,807	2,610	197	7.0	Wolcott	9,650	8,990	660	6.8
East Lyme	8,326	7,708	618	7.4	Woodbury	5,347	5,023	324	6.1
Franklin	1,034	959	75	7.3	DANIELSON-NORTHEAST				
Griswold	6,187	5,565	622	10.1		43,173	39,987	3,186	7.4
Groton	17,936	16,396	1,540	8.6	Brooklyn	4,114	3,815	299	7.3
Ledyard	7,898	7,149	749	9.5	Eastford	1,021	966	55	5.4
Lisbon	2,279	2,091	188	8.2	Hampton	1,071	1,019	52	4.9
Lyme	1,151	1,094	57	5.0	Killingly	9,557	8,840	717	7.5
Montville	8,992	8,171	821	9.1	Plainfield	8,693	7,949	744	8.6
New London	12,234	10,567	1,667	13.6	Pomfret	2,458	2,345	113	4.6
No. Stonington	2,814	2,636	178	6.3	Putnam	4,841	4,434	407	8.4
Norwich	20,894	17,875	3,019	14.4	Sterling	2,015	1,858	157	7.8
Old Lyme	3,582	3,355	227	6.3	Thompson	5,235	4,890	345	6.6
Preston	2,390	2,157	233	9.7	Woodstock	4,168	3,871	297	7.1
Salem	2,075	1,909	166	8.0					
Sprague	1,567	1,426	141	9.0					
Stonington	9,426	8,768	658	7.0					
Voluntown	1,434	1,317	117	8.2					
Waterford	9,859	9,045	814	8.3					

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

NORWICH-NEW LONDON-WESTERLY, CT-RI				
	139,422	125,230	14,192	10.2
RI part (Hopkinton and Westerly)	15,151	13,152	1,999	13.2

Not Seasonally Adjusted:				
CONNECTICUT	1,877,400	1,724,100	153,300	8.2
UNITED STATES	160,966,000	147,224,000	13,742,000	8.5
Seasonally Adjusted:				
CONNECTICUT	1,866,900	1,716,000	150,900	8.1
UNITED STATES	160,838,000	147,288,000	13,550,000	8.4

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	AUG 2020	YR TO DATE 2020	2019	TOWN	AUG 2020	YR TO DATE 2020	2019	TOWN	AUG 2020	YR TO DATE 2020	2019
Andover	1	4	6	Griswold	1	15	10	Preston	0	12	8
Ansonia	na	na	na	Groton	na	na	na	Prospect	5	22	26
Ashford	na	na	na	Guilford	na	na	na	Putnam	na	na	na
Avon	1	7	10	Haddam	1	4	6	Redding	0	1	1
Barkhamsted	na	na	na	Hamden	na	na	na	Ridgefield	0	8	42
Beacon Falls	na	na	na	Hampton	na	na	na	Rocky Hill	0	6	6
Berlin	2	11	20	Hartford	1	6	5	Roxbury	na	na	na
Bethany	na	na	na	Hartland	0	0	1	Salem	na	na	na
Bethel	7	53	39	Harwinton	na	na	na	Salisbury	na	na	na
Bethlehem	na	na	na	Hebron	2	9	9	Scotland	na	na	na
Bloomfield	3	14	14	Kent	0	5	1	Seymour	na	na	na
Bolton	0	0	0	Killingly	na	na	na	Sharon	na	na	na
Bozrah	na	na	na	Killingworth	1	6	3	Shelton	134	292	37
Branford	6	19	18	Lebanon	0	5	2	Sherman	0	2	2
Bridgeport	5	26	28	Ledyard	na	na	na	Simsbury	37	104	52
Bridgewater	0	1	1	Lisbon	na	na	na	Somers	0	4	12
Bristol	3	54	33	Litchfield	na	na	na	South Windsor	3	23	136
Brookfield	3	5	12	Lyme	3	5	1	Southbury	na	na	na
Brooklyn	0	14	14	Madison	na	na	na	Southington	10	56	63
Burlington	4	30	22	Manchester	3	30	26	Sprague	0	0	2
Canaan	na	na	na	Mansfield	0	1	5	Stafford	4	5	7
Canterbury	na	na	na	Marlborough	0	0	0	Stamford	8	74	357
Canton	0	7	7	Meriden	na	na	na	Sterling	na	na	na
Chaplin	na	na	na	Middlebury	na	na	na	Stonington	na	na	na
Cheshire	4	16	12	Middlefield	0	6	2	Stratford	3	28	73
Chester	0	0	1	Middletown	2	9	12	Suffield	2	17	28
Clinton	0	9	18	Milford	11	101	126	Thomaston	na	na	na
Colchester	0	14	11	Monroe	0	3	10	Thompson	na	na	na
Colebrook	na	na	na	Montville	na	na	na	Tolland	1	6	12
Columbia	0	1	1	Morris	na	na	na	Torrington	na	na	na
Cornwall	na	na	na	Naugatuck	na	na	na	Trumbull	0	1	4
Coventry	3	13	13	New Britain	0	2	9	Union	0	0	3
Cromwell	1	7	7	New Canaan	1	9	8	Vernon	6	75	70
Danbury	104	166	69	New Fairfield	1	5	3	Voluntown	0	2	1
Darien	1	17	28	New Hartford	na	na	na	Wallingford	2	15	14
Deep River	1	3	0	New Haven	0	735	277	Warren	na	na	na
Derby	na	na	na	New London	3	23	24	Washington	na	na	na
Durham	1	2	3	New Milford	na	na	na	Waterbury	1	9	12
East Granby	0	1	3	Newington	2	4	2	Waterford	na	na	na
East Haddam	0	4	5	Newtown	3	32	46	Watertown	na	na	na
East Hampton	1	11	10	Norfolk	na	na	na	West Hartford	1	47	57
East Hartford	1	4	4	North Branford	na	na	na	West Haven	na	na	na
East Haven	na	na	na	North Canaan	na	na	na	Westbrook	0	3	4
East Lyme	11	65	20	North Haven	na	na	na	Weston	1	11	6
East Windsor	1	16	14	North Stonington	na	na	na	Westport	3	55	40
Eastford	na	na	na	Norwalk	11	61	133	Wethersfield	1	3	3
Easton	0	5	1	Norwich	0	62	8	Willington	1	2	1
Ellington	8	71	76	Old Lyme	na	na	na	Wilton	0	2	2
Enfield	6	38	29	Old Saybrook	1	8	13	Winchester	na	na	na
Essex	1	6	12	Orange	na	na	na	Windham	0	4	2
Fairfield	5	124	64	Oxford	3	16	32	Windsor	2	12	11
Farmington	1	21	46	Plainfield	na	na	na	Windsor Locks	0	2	17
Franklin	na	na	na	Plainville	1	7	8	Wolcott	8	22	18
Glastonbury	4	21	22	Plymouth	na	na	na	Woodbridge	na	na	na
Goshen	na	na	na	Pomfret	na	na	na	Woodbury	0	16	2
Granby	1	32	39	Portland	0	4	3	Woodstock	na	na	na
Greenwich	11	65	145								

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.....	-15.0	CT Mfg. Production Index.....	11.2	Tourism and Travel	
Coincident General Drift Indicator.....	-4.6	Production Worker Hours.....	16.0	Occupancy Rate.....	-22.0
Connecticut Real GDP.....	-0.2	Industrial Electricity Sales.....	12.5	Tourism Website Visitors.....	-41.0
United States Real GDP.....	0.3	Personal Income.....	5.7	Air Passenger Count.....	-74.2
New England Real GDP.....	0.0	UI Covered Wages.....	-5.6	Gaming Slots.....	-21.2
Connecticut PCPI.....	5.8	Business Activity		Employment Cost Index (U.S.)	
United States PCPI.....	9.8	New Housing Permits.....	50.5	Total.....	2.7
New England PCPI.....	12.7	Electricity Sales.....	-0.5	Wages & Salaries.....	2.9
Phil. Fed's CT Coincident Index....	-11.6	Construction Contracts Index.....	82.2	Benefit Costs.....	2.0
Phil. Fed's US Coincident Index....	-4.3	New Auto Registrations.....	-0.8	Consumer Prices	
Total Nonfarm Employment.....	-7.0	Exports.....	-24.1	U.S. City Average.....	1.3
Labor Force.....	-2.6	S&P 500: Monthly Close.....	19.6	Northeast Region.....	1.1
Employed.....	-7.1	Business Starts		NY-Newark-Jersey City.....	1.4
Unemployed.....	111.3	Secretary of the State.....	23.2	Boston-Cambridge-Newton...	0.8
Unemployment Rate.....	4.4 *	Dept. of Labor.....	-9.9	Interest Rates	
Labor Force Participation Rate....	-1.8 *	Business Terminations		Prime.....	-2.00 *
Employment-Population Ratio...	-4.6 *	Secretary of the State.....	-31.2	Conventional Mortgage.....	-0.68 *
Average Weekly Initial Claims..	185.9	Dept. of Labor.....	-20.3		
Avg Insured Unempl. Rate.....	9.93 *	State Revenues.....	0.0		
U-6 Rate.....	1.8 *	Corporate Tax.....	-12.0		
Prod. Worker Avg Wkly Hrs.....	-1.7	Personal Income Tax.....	-4.7		
PW Avg Hourly Earnings.....	6.8	Real Estate Conveyance Tax..	151.1		
PW Avg Weekly Earnings.....	5.0	Sales & Use Tax.....	25.8		
		Gaming Payments.....	-16.9		

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

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