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June 2022 Data

CT Unemployment Rate = 4.0%

US Unemployment Rate = 3.6%

## Connecticut June jobless rate down to 4.0% as nonfarm industry payrolls gain 1,700

WETHERSFIELD, July 21, 2022 – The Nutmeg State’s unemployment rate continued to decline in June 2022, dropping another two-tenths of a percentage point to 4.0%, while the number of nonfarm payroll jobs increased again by 1,700 (0.1%) to 1,651,000 (both preliminary, seasonally adjusted).

Connecticut’s nonfarm payroll employment level is now 39,000 (2.4%) positions higher than in June 2021. Connecticut has now recovered 83.4% (241,400) of the 289,400 nonfarm positions lost in the March/April 2020 COVID lockdown. The originally released May 2022 job gain of 1,600 was revised higher by 800 positions to a 2,400-job monthly gain (0.1%). These two survey-based labor statistics are produced by U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) in cooperation with their state partners.

“Connecticut gained jobs every month in the first half of 2022 and the unemployment rate has fallen five months in a row,” said Patrick Flaherty, Director of the Office of Research at the Connecticut Department of Labor. “Manufacturing continues to be a star performer with jobs up 3,400 since December. Labor force growth also accelerated in 2022, increasing an average of 7,900 per month so far this year.”

**Connecticut’s private sector** employment gained 900 jobs (0.1%) in June 2022 to 1,427,500 and is higher by 40,200 positions (2.9%) from the June 2021 level. The state’s private sector is 86.9% recovered from the April 2020 COVID employment low. The **government supersector** was also higher last month by 800 jobs (0.4%) to a level of 223,500. However, this is 1,200 positions (-0.5%) lower than the June 2021 total government levels. The public sector is 44.1% recovered from the COVID lockdown. The government *supersector* in Connecticut consists of all federal, state, local, and tribal government employment, including public education and Native American casino employment located on reservations.

Six of the ten major industry *supersectors* produced employment gains, while three declined, and other services was unchanged.

### The seven Connecticut industry *supersectors* that increased or were unchanged in June 2022:

Increasing Sectors			
Industry Sector	Amount of Increase	Percent Change	June 2022 Employment
Professional & Business Services	+1,300	0.6%	218,200
Government	+800	0.4%	223,500
Education & Health Services	+700	0.2%	335,800
Manufacturing	+600	0.4%	159,800
Trade, Transportation, & Utilities	+300	0.1%	295,900
Financial Activities	+100	0.1%	119,300
Other Services	unchanged	0.0%	61,000

### The three industry *supersectors* that declined:

Decreasing Sectors			
Industry Sector	Amount of Decrease	Percent Change	June 2022 Employment
Construction & Mining	-1,800	-2.9%	59,800
Leisure & Hospitality	-200	-0.1%	147,400
Information	-100	-0.3%	30,300

**Connecticut Labor Market Areas (LMAs):** Two of the six larger Connecticut **LMAs**, that are seasonally adjusted by the BLS, put forth employment gains, while three regions declined, and the **Danbury LMA** (0.0%, 74,300) was unchanged in June 2022. The **Hartford LMA** (0.3%, 569,700) added 1,700 positions to lead this month in numerical gains while the **Waterbury LMA** (0.9%, 66,000) was the biggest percentage gainer, adding 600 jobs. The **Bridgeport-Stamford-Norwalk LMA** (-0.7%, 390,200) declined by 2,600 positions. The **New Haven LMA** also lost 1,000 jobs (-0.3%, 291,000) while the **Norwich-New London-Westerly LMA** (-0.1%, 120,700) was just down slightly, dropping 100 positions.

*Note: The six major Connecticut LMAs are independently estimated from the statewide data by the BLS and cover around 90% of the nonfarm employment in the state. Thus, estimates will not exactly sum to the statewide total.*

**Hours and Earnings:** The June 2022 **private sector** workweek, *not seasonally adjusted*, averaged 33.9 hours. This is unchanged from the year ago June 2021 estimate. Average hourly earnings at \$33.96, not seasonally adjusted, were up by \$0.36 (1.1%) from the June 2021 estimate of \$33.60. The resulting June 2022 private sector weekly wage averaged \$1,151.24, higher by \$12.20 from a year ago (1.1%, \$1,139.04). The Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U, U.S. City Average, not seasonally adjusted) in June 2022 was up 9.1% from a year ago. *Current all-employee private sector hours and earnings estimates can be volatile due to fluctuating sample responses.*

### **Labor Force Data (residential household survey)**

The June 2022 unemployment rate for Connecticut was estimated by the BLS Local Area Unemployment Statistics program (LAUS) to be **4.0%** (seasonally adjusted), lower by two-tenths of a percentage point from the May 2022 level of 4.2%. The Connecticut unemployment rate was 6.7% in June 2021. The Connecticut unemployment was 3.4% in February 2020 just before the COVID lockdown. The U.S. unemployment rate for June 2022 was 3.6%, unchanged from May 2022 and down from the June 2021 jobless rate of 5.9%. The US jobless rate has remained at 3.6% since March 2022.

Unemployment claims for first-time filers (seasonally adjusted) in Connecticut were an average of 1,800 per week in June 2022, down by 1,266 (-41.3%) from the May 2022 (3,066) level and lower by 2,309 claims (-56.2%) than the average weekly count of 4,109 in June 2021. Average weekly unemployment claims in June 2022 were affected by the transition to ReEmployCT, Connecticut's modernized unemployment insurance system.

*The nonfarm employment estimate, derived from a survey of businesses, is a measure of jobs in the state; the unemployment rate and labor force estimates are based on a household survey, and measure the work status of people who live in Connecticut. Overall, as the national and state economies recover, volatility in monthly numbers can be expected. **Job and employment estimates are best understood in the context of their movement over several months rather than observed changes in a single month's value.***

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# NONFARM EMPLOYMENT

## Jobs - by Place of Work

### CONNECTICUT AND THE UNITED STATES - Seasonally Adjusted

	June 2022 P	May 2022 R	April 2022	March 2022	June 2021	Over Month Change	Over Month Rate	Over Year Change	Over Year Rate
<b>CONNECTICUT</b>	<b>1,651,000</b>	<b>1,649,300</b>	<b>1,646,900</b>	<b>1,645,500</b>	<b>1,612,000</b>	<b>1,700</b>	<b>0.1%</b>	<b>39,000</b>	<b>2.4%</b>
<b>Total Private</b>	<b>1,427,500</b>	<b>1,426,600</b>	<b>1,423,100</b>	<b>1,420,900</b>	<b>1,387,300</b>	<b>900</b>	<b>0.1%</b>	<b>40,200</b>	<b>2.9%</b>
<b>Goods Producing Industries</b>									
Mining	500	500	500	600	500	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Construction	59,300	61,100	62,700	62,300	58,700	-1,800	-2.9%	600	1.0%
Manufacturing	159,800	159,200	159,200	158,300	152,200	600	0.4%	7,600	5.0%
Durable Goods	124,000	123,700	123,500	123,200	119,000	300	0.2%	5,000	4.2%
Nondurable Goods	35,800	35,500	35,700	35,100	33,200	300	0.8%	2,600	7.8%
<b>Service Providing Industries</b>									
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	295,900	295,600	294,900	296,300	290,300	300	0.1%	5,600	1.9%
Wholesale	60,400	60,100	59,500	59,000	56,800	300	0.5%	3,600	6.3%
Retail	167,700	167,700	167,300	168,600	168,200	0	0.0%	-500	-0.3%
Transp, Warehousing & Utilities	67,800	67,800	68,100	68,700	65,300	0	0.0%	2,500	3.8%
Information	30,300	30,400	29,900	30,800	29,900	-100	-0.3%	400	1.3%
Financial Activities	119,300	119,200	118,100	117,900	117,400	100	0.1%	1,900	1.6%
Finance & Insurance	99,800	99,700	98,700	98,600	98,900	100	0.1%	900	0.9%
Real Estate, Rental & Leasing	19,500	19,500	19,400	19,300	18,500	0	0.0%	1,000	5.4%
Professional & Business Services	218,200	216,900	215,800	215,800	213,000	1,300	0.6%	5,200	2.4%
Prof, Scientific & Tech Services	96,300	96,400	95,800	96,300	95,200	-100	-0.1%	1,100	1.2%
Management of Companies	30,400	30,300	30,300	30,400	30,300	100	0.3%	100	0.3%
Admn & Support & Waste Mgt Serv	91,500	90,200	89,700	89,100	87,500	1,300	1.4%	4,000	4.6%
Educational & Health Services	335,800	335,100	334,000	334,400	333,000	700	0.2%	2,800	0.8%
Educational Services	67,700	67,600	66,200	67,100	65,000	100	0.1%	2,700	4.2%
Health Care & Social Assistance	268,100	267,500	267,800	267,300	268,000	600	0.2%	100	0.0%
Leisure and Hospitality	147,400	147,600	147,700	144,500	134,600	-200	-0.1%	12,800	9.5%
Arts, Entertainment & Recreation	25,800	26,200	27,000	25,900	22,400	-400	-1.5%	3,400	15.2%
Accommodation & Food Services	121,600	121,400	120,700	118,600	112,200	200	0.2%	9,400	8.4%
Other Services	61,000	61,000	60,300	60,000	57,700	0	0.0%	3,300	5.7%
Government**	223,500	222,700	223,800	224,600	224,700	800	0.4%	-1,200	-0.5%
<b>UNITED STATES</b>	<b>151,980,000</b>	<b>151,608,000</b>	<b>151,224,000</b>	<b>150,856,000</b>	<b>145,698,000</b>	<b>372,000</b>	<b>0.2%</b>	<b>6,282,000</b>	<b>4.3%</b>

### LABOR MARKET AREAS (LMA)

Labor Market Area employment estimates are made independently of Statewide estimates.

Seasonally Adjusted data	June 2022 P	May 2022 R	April 2022	March 2022	June 2021	Over Month Change	Over Month Rate	Over Year Change	Over Year Rate
<b>Bridgeport-Stamford-Norwalk</b>	390,200	392,800	392,800	394,700	384,300	-2,600	-0.7%	5,900	1.5%
<b>Danbury</b>	74,300	74,300	74,800	74,900	73,400	0	0.0%	900	1.2%
<b>Hartford</b>	569,700	568,000	568,600	567,800	555,900	1,700	0.3%	13,800	2.5%
<b>New Haven</b>	291,000	292,000	293,500	294,500	286,200	-1,000	-0.3%	4,800	1.7%
<b>Norwich-New London-Westerly, RI</b>	120,700	120,800	120,200	119,200	118,000	-100	-0.1%	2,700	2.3%
<b>Waterbury</b>	66,000	65,400	65,500	65,600	64,200	600	0.9%	1,800	2.8%
<i>Not Seasonally Adjusted data (Non-Classified Areas, State estimated - not BLS)</i>									
<b>Enfield</b>	42,100	41,700	40,900	41,000	41,600	400	1.0%	500	1.2%
<b>Torrington-Northwest</b>	32,900	32,200	31,000	31,200	31,800	700	2.2%	1,100	3.5%
<b>Danielson-Northeast</b>	27,000	26,800	26,200	26,100	26,600	200	0.7%	400	1.5%

\* Less than 0.05%    \*\* Includes Native American tribal government employment

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Starting with March, 2011, our monthly statewide and major LMA nonfarm job estimates have been taken over by the US Department of Labor Bureau of Labor Statistics. This is the final phase of transition in this program, which began in 2008. As a result of changes in the estimation procedures, you are likely to see more variability in month-to-month estimates of job counts. Caution should be used in interpreting any single month's estimate. The data are best interpreted to identify trends and cycles over several months and quarters. If you have any questions about these changes, please email us at: [dol.lmi@ct.gov](mailto:dol.lmi@ct.gov). Danbury and Waterbury LMA's are now back to being seasonally adjusted.

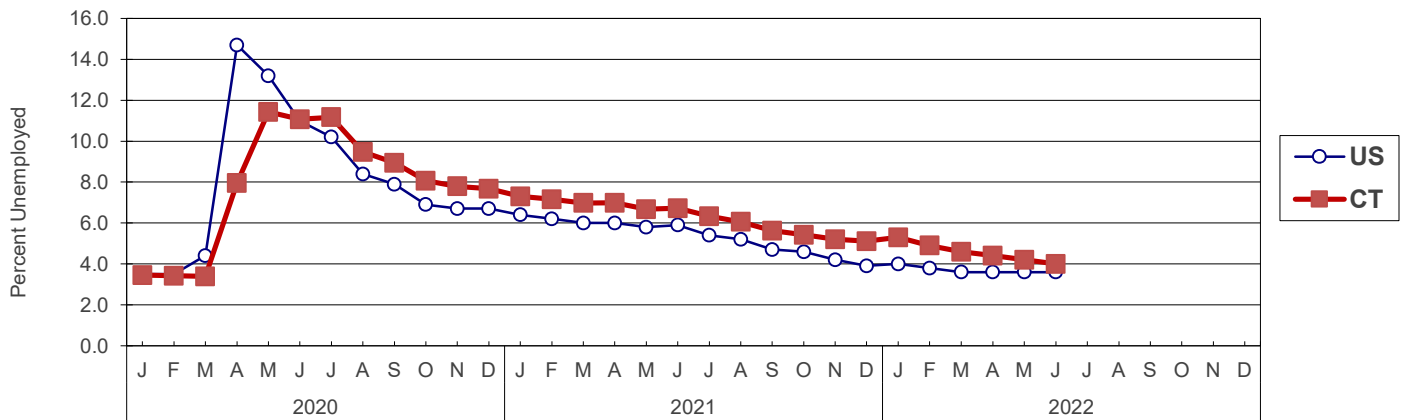
# UNEMPLOYMENT

## Persons Unemployed - by Place of Residence

### CONNECTICUT AND THE UNITED STATES - Seasonally Adjusted

	Jun 2022 P		Jun 2021 R		Change		May 2022 R	
	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Number	Points	Number	Rate
<b>CONNECTICUT</b>								
Unemployed	76,000	4.0	125,000	6.7	-49,000	-2.7	78,700	4.2
Labor Force	1,901,300		1,861,500		39,800		1,895,100	
<b>UNITED STATES</b>								
Unemployed	5,912,000	3.6	9,502,000	5.9	-3,590,000	-2.3	5,950,000	3.6
Labor Force	164,023,000		161,114,000		2,909,000		164,376,000	

### U.S. AND CONNECTICUT UNEMPLOYMENT RATES - Seasonally Adjusted 2020 - 2022



### LABOR MARKET AREAS - Not Seasonally Adjusted

	Jun 2022 P		Jun 2021 R		Change		May 2022 R	
	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Number	Points	Number	Rate
Bridgeport-Stamford	19,700	4.2	31,500	6.9	-11,800	-2.7	18,900	4.1
Danbury	3,700	3.5	6,000	5.8	-2,300	-2.3	3,600	3.4
Danielson-Northeast*	1,700	3.8	2,700	6.4	-1,000	-2.6	1,600	3.8
Worcester NECTA	1,600	3.9	2,600	6.5	-1,000	-2.6	1,600	3.8
Hampton	100	3.2	100	4.9	0	-1.7	100	3.2
Enfield	1,800	3.6	2,900	6.1	-1,100	-2.5	1,800	3.5
Hartford	25,800	4.1	43,100	7.1	-17,300	-3.0	24,500	3.9
New Haven	13,100	3.9	21,600	6.6	-8,500	-2.7	12,500	3.8
Norwich-New London	6,100	4.4	10,400	7.5	-4,300	-3.1	5,800	4.2
Torrington-Northwest**	1,800	3.6	2,800	6.1	-1,000	-2.5	1,700	3.5
Torrington NECTA	1,100	4.4	1,900	7.5	-800	-3.1	1,100	4.2
Litchfield	600	2.8	900	4.5	-300	-1.7	600	2.7
Waterbury	5,600	5.0	9,300	8.5	-3,700	-3.5	5,400	4.9
<b>CONNECTICUT</b>	<b>79,000</b>	<b>4.1</b>	<b>129,200</b>	<b>6.9</b>	<b>-50,200</b>	<b>-2.8</b>	<b>75,400</b>	<b>4.0</b>
<b>UNITED STATES</b>	<b>6,334,000</b>	<b>3.8</b>	<b>9,883,000</b>	<b>6.1</b>	<b>-3,549,000</b>	<b>-2.3</b>	<b>5,548,000</b>	<b>3.4</b>

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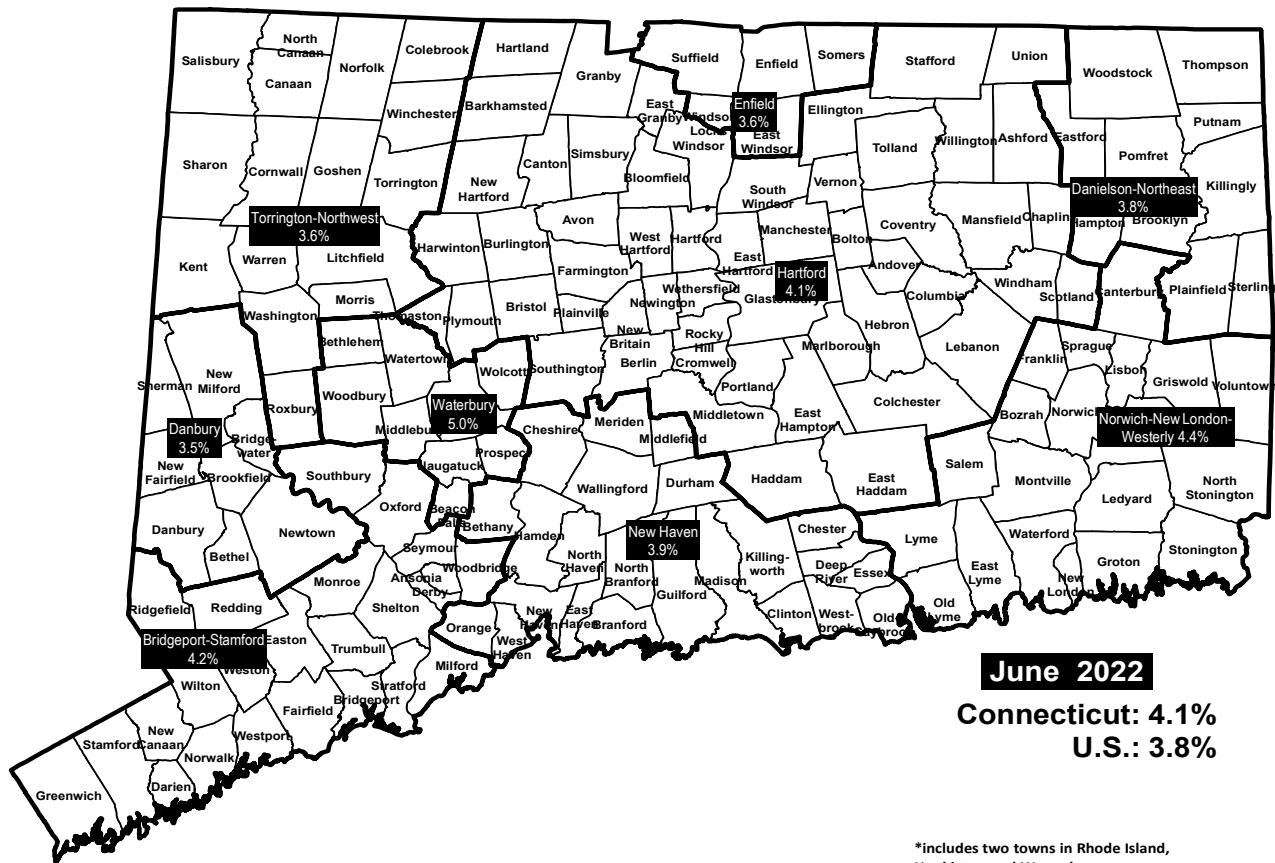
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\* Worcester NECTA, CT part and Hampton LMA are combined \*\* Torrington Micropolitan NECTA and Litchfield LMA are combined

# UNEMPLOYMENT RATES

Not Seasonally Adjusted

## LABOR MARKET AREAS



# HOURS AND EARNINGS

## CONNECTICUT Statewide - Not Seasonally Adjusted

	Average Weekly Earnings				Average Weekly Hours				Average Hourly Earnings			
	June 2022 P	June 2021	Change over Yr.	May 2022 R	June 2022 P	June 2021	Change over Yr.	May 2022 R	June 2022 P	June 2021	Change over Yr.	May 2022 R
<b>Private Industry All Employees</b>	\$1,151.24	\$1,139.04	\$12.20	\$1,185.71	33.9	33.9	0.0	34.2	\$33.96	\$33.60	\$0.36	\$34.67
<b>Manufacturing* Production Workers</b>	\$1,127.09	\$1,081.47	\$45.62	\$1,138.02	41.0	39.0	2.0	40.6	\$27.49	\$27.73	-\$0.24	\$28.03

\* Production worker data have been impacted by the loss of a large, high-paying manufacturer from the monthly sample.

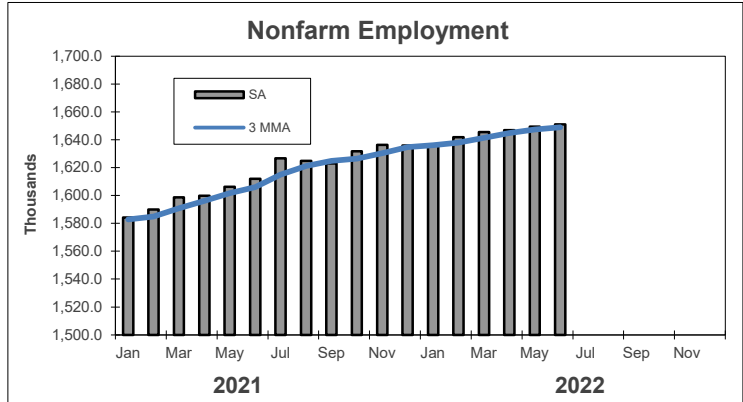
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Hours and earnings are also developed for the state's major industry sectors and Labor Market Areas. They can be found on our website at: [www1.ctdol.state.ct.us/lmi](http://www1.ctdol.state.ct.us/lmi)

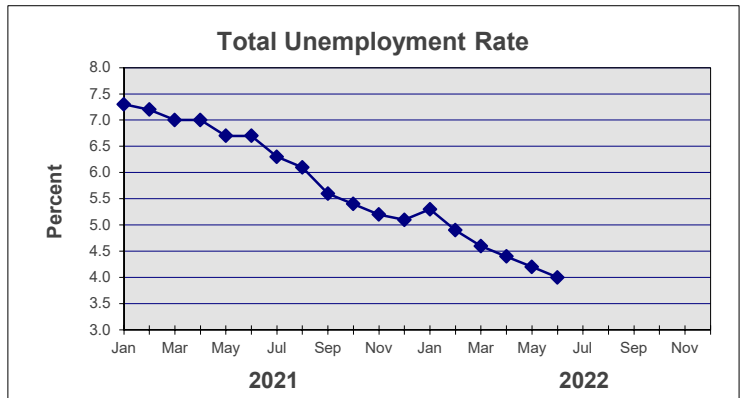
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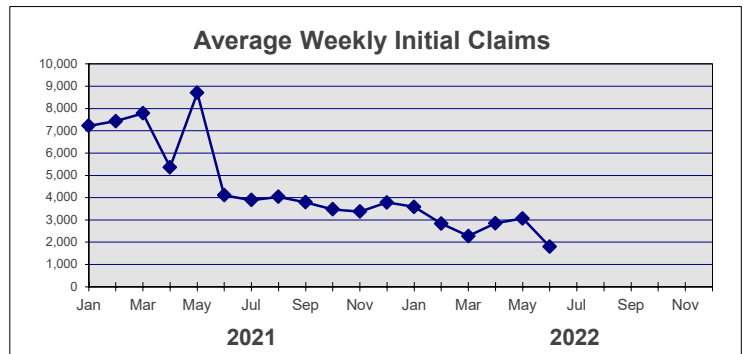
	Nonfarm Employment (000s)	Total Unemployment Rate
<b>2021</b>		
Jan	1,584.1	7.3
Feb	1,590.0	7.2
Mar	1,598.7	7.0
Apr	1,599.8	7.0
May	1,606.3	6.7
Jun	1,612.0	6.7
Jul	1,626.6	6.3
Aug	1,624.7	6.1
Sep	1,622.9	5.6
Oct	1,631.6	5.4
Nov	1,636.3	5.2
Dec	1,635.8	5.1



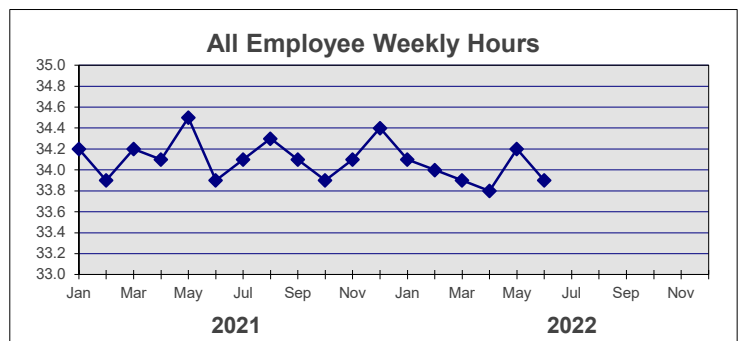
<b>2022</b>		
Jan	1,636.4	5.3
Feb	1,641.8	4.9
Mar	1,645.5	4.6
Apr	1,646.9	4.4
May	1,649.3 R	4.2 R
Jun	1,651.0 P	4.0 P
Jul		
Aug		
Sep		
Oct		
Nov		
Dec		



	Avg Weekly Initial Claims	All Employee Weekly Hours*
<b>2021</b>		
Jan	7,226	34.2
Feb	7,431	33.9
Mar	7,780	34.2
Apr	5,366	34.1
May	8,702	34.5
Jun	4,109	33.9
Jul	3,892	34.1
Aug	4,031	34.3
Sep	3,789	34.1
Oct	3,472	33.9
Nov	3,376	34.1
Dec	3,780	34.4



<b>2022</b>		
Jan	3,585	34.1
Feb	2,837	34.0
Mar	2,275	33.9
Apr	2,848	33.8
May	3,066	34.2 R
Jun	1,800	33.9 P
Jul		
Aug		
Sep		
Oct		
Nov		
Dec		



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\*\* Labor-management dispute