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## Signs of Hope Despite Unprecedented Declines

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**T**he global impact of COVID-19 has resulted in an unprecedented pause to economies all over the world. In April, U.S. payroll employment fell by 20.5 million jobs with declines reported in all 50 states. Connecticut lost a historic 266,300 net jobs, a -15.9% decline in just one month.

As of early May 2020, approximately 300,000 Connecticut workers were receiving benefits. Compared to the 2009-2010 recession, 2020 claimants are more likely to be female, are younger on average, and are more likely to have worked in Accommodation & Food Service, Retail Trade, or Health Care & Social Assistance. The 2009-2010 recession saw the largest number of claims in manufacturing and construction. Workers in these industries are, on average, older and more likely to be male than workers in the economy as a whole.

Despite this grim news, a look at Help Wanted Online (HWOL) shows that many employers are still posting job ads. During the week of May 3<sup>rd</sup>, Healthcare & Social Assistance, Finance & Insurance, and Retail Trade all had almost 2,000 or more job postings in Connecticut. The Conference Board's HWOL data series aggregates and categorizes job postings from over 50,000 online sources to produce deduplicated counts of job postings by various economic and geographic breakdowns.<sup>1</sup> The Connecticut Department of Labor publishes monthly detailed reviews of HWOL data by labor market area and currently produces weekly data briefs to help illustrate short term labor market shifts.<sup>2</sup>

Industry breakdowns of HWOL are shown in Figure 1. Total postings from early March to early

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### In April...

#### Nonfarm Employment

Connecticut ..... 1,411,100

Change over month ..... -15.88%

Change over year ..... -16.40%

United States ..... 131,072,000

Change over month ..... -13.52%

Change over year ..... -12.90%

#### Unemployment Rate

Connecticut ..... 7.9%

United States ..... 14.7%

#### Consumer Price Index

United States ..... 256.389

Change over year ..... +0.3%

Figure 1 - HWOL Weekly Total Statewide Job Ads

Industry	Week of:			8 week change	52 week change
	5/3/2020	3/8/2020	5/5/2019		
<b>Total</b>	<b>25,276</b>	<b>37,518</b>	<b>31,930</b>	<b>-33%</b>	<b>-21%</b>
Unspecified	6,449	8,336	6,106	-23%	6%
Health Care and Social Assistance	5,691	6,535	5,994	-13%	-5%
Finance and Insurance	2,166	3,571	3,925	-39%	-45%
Retail Trade	1,968	3,572	2,775	-45%	-29%
Prof. & Tech. Services.	1,651	2,687	2,085	-39%	-21%
Manufacturing	1,628	3,548	3,962	-54%	-59%
Accommodation and Food Services	944	1,871	1,122	-50%	-16%
Educational Services	913	1,547	1,175	-41%	-22%
Administrative and Support	819	1,185	764	-31%	7%
Transportation and Warehousing	794	676	771	17%	3%
Information	553	844	828	-34%	-33%
Public Administration	547	743	549	-26%	0%
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	289	520	511	-44%	-43%
Construction	256	425	350	-40%	-27%
Other Services (except Public Admin.)	246	524	328	-53%	-25%
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	101	427	241	-76%	-58%
Wholesale Trade	96	159	181	-40%	-47%
Utilities	66	165	193	-60%	-66%
Agric., Forestry, Fishing, & Hunting	51	82	22	-38%	132%
Mining and Extraction	30	52	12	-42%	150%
Management	18	49	36	-63%	-50%

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# 2019 Unemployment Rate by Town

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In 2019, the annual average statewide unemployment rate was 3.7%, down from 4.1% in 2018. For the ninth year, most municipalities experienced a decline in their unemployment rate, although a little fewer than fell in 2018.

**2018 to 2019**

Of 169 cities and towns in the state, the unemployment rate fell in 162, rose in 5, while 2 were unchanged in 2019. On the other hand, 164 were down, 1 was up, and 4 remained the same in 2018. Roxbury had the lowest unemployment rate of 2.1%, while the residents of Hartford experienced the highest rate of 6.6% last year (see table on page 3 for the complete town data). Overall, a total of 124 cities and towns had jobless rates below the 2019 statewide figure of 3.7%, 35 had rates above it, and 10 had rates equal to it. By comparison, 128 cities and towns had rates below the 2018 statewide average of 4.1%, 35 above it, and 6 were the same.

Of the five largest cities in the state with a 2010 Census population of 100,000 or more,

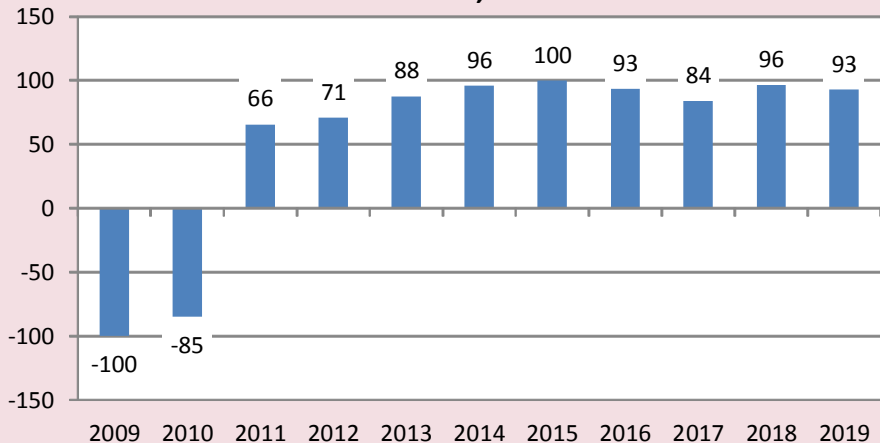
Stamford had the lowest unemployment rate of 3.3% in 2019. Hartford posted the highest jobless rate among the large cities at 6.6%. All five cities experienced over-the-year unemployment rate decreases. The map on page 4 also shows the unemployment rates for each town in 2019.

**Town Unemployment Rate Diffusion Index**

The Town Unemployment Rate Diffusion Index is calculated by subtracting the share of towns that experienced increases in their unemployment rates from the share that had rate decreases over the year.

As expected, during 2009-2010, the index values were negative, when Connecticut was in an economic recession. Last year's diffusion index value of +93 suggests a slower rate of improvement in labor market condition across the towns than in 2018 (chart). However, town unemployment rates will undoubtedly rise significantly higher in 2020 due the impact of COVID-19 pandemic. ■

**Connecticut Town Unemployment Rate Diffusion Index, 2009-2019**

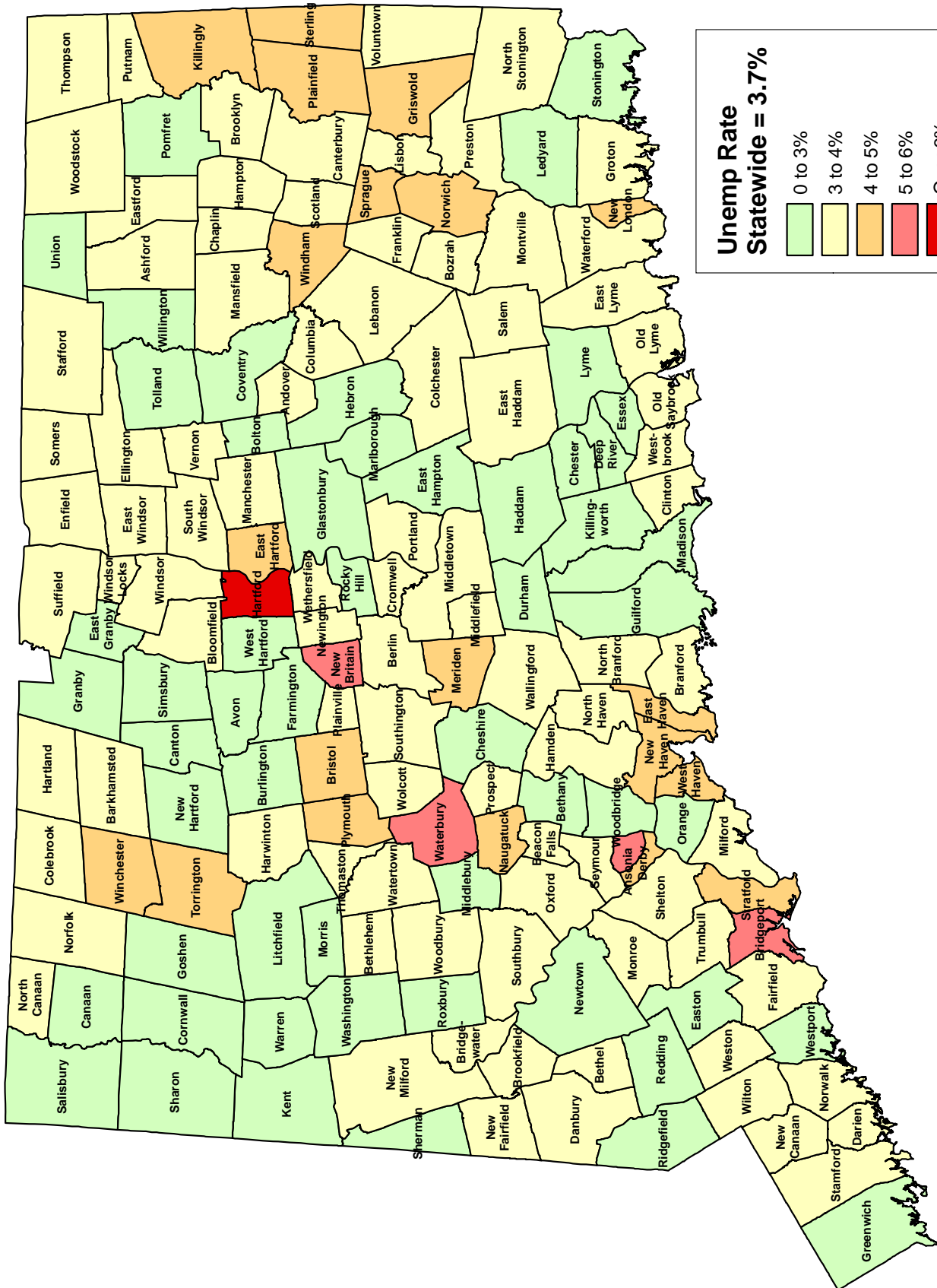


### Annual Average Unemployment Rate by Town, 2015-2019

Town/City	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	Town/City	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	Town/City	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Andover	4.8	4.4	3.7	3.4	3.2	Giswold	7.1	6.3	5.2	4.6	4.2	Prospect	5.2	4.2	4.0	3.6	3.3
Ansonia	7.8	6.8	6.6	5.7	5.3	Grton	5.5	4.6	4.0	3.5	3.2	Putnam	6.8	5.8	5.3	4.8	3.9
Ashford	4.8	4.8	4.4	4.0	3.2	Guilford	4.0	3.6	3.1	2.9	2.5	Redding	4.4	4.2	3.7	3.1	3.0
Avon	3.7	3.5	3.3	3.0	2.5	Haddam	4.3	3.7	3.6	3.1	2.6	Ridgefield	4.0	3.8	3.7	3.2	3.0
Barkhamsted	4.8	4.5	4.6	4.0	3.2	Hamden	5.3	4.7	4.3	3.8	3.4	Rocky Hill	4.3	4.0	3.6	3.1	2.8
Beacon Falls	5.4	5.0	4.3	3.8	3.6	Hampton	5.4	4.9	4.7	4.0	3.4	Roxbury	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.1	2.1
Berlin	4.8	4.2	3.9	3.5	3.2	Hartford	10.1	9.2	8.2	7.1	6.6	Salem	5.6	5.2	4.4	3.7	3.3
Bethany	4.4	4.0	3.8	3.4	2.9	Hartland	5.1	4.2	3.8	3.5	3.3	Salisbury	3.7	3.3	3.6	3.0	2.5
Bethel	4.7	4.3	3.9	3.5	3.2	Harwinton	4.4	4.3	3.6	3.6	3.1	Scotland	5.6	4.8	4.8	4.0	3.6
Bethlehem	5.2	5.2	5.0	3.8	3.6	Hebron	4.1	3.7	3.7	3.1	2.9	Seymour	6.1	5.4	4.8	4.3	3.9
Bloomfield	6.2	5.4	5.2	4.3	3.9	Kent	4.2	3.7	4.1	3.0	2.8	Sharon	3.6	3.3	3.3	2.8	2.3
Bolton	4.2	3.8	3.5	2.8	2.6	Killingly	7.0	5.9	5.1	4.7	4.1	Shelton	5.5	5.0	4.7	4.2	3.7
Bozrah	5.4	4.6	4.3	3.9	3.3	Killingworth	3.9	3.5	3.0	2.7	2.4	Sherran	4.2	4.1	3.8	3.1	2.9
Branford	5.3	4.6	4.2	3.6	3.4	Lebanon	5.1	4.9	4.7	3.9	3.5	Simsbury	3.8	3.6	3.2	2.9	2.6
Bridgport	8.5	7.6	6.9	6.1	5.5	Ledyard	5.2	4.3	3.8	3.4	3.0	Somers	4.7	4.5	4.2	3.6	3.3
Bridgewater	4.3	3.6	3.8	3.3	3.2	Lisbon	6.4	5.8	5.0	4.1	3.8	South Windsor	4.6	4.3	3.8	3.4	3.1
Bristol	6.5	5.7	5.2	4.6	4.2	Litchfield	4.3	4.0	3.8	3.1	3.0	Southbury	5.5	5.0	4.4	4.0	3.4
Brookfield	4.3	4.1	3.9	3.6	3.2	Lyme	4.2	3.7	3.5	3.2	2.6	Southington	4.7	4.3	4.0	3.6	3.1
Brooklyn	5.8	5.1	4.7	4.1	3.7	Madison	4.1	3.8	3.5	3.1	2.7	Sprague	6.8	5.5	5.4	4.5	4.1
Burlington	4.5	4.2	3.6	3.2	2.9	Manchester	5.5	5.0	4.6	4.1	3.7	Stafford	6.3	5.6	4.7	4.2	3.7
Canaan	3.1	3.0	3.0	2.9	2.2	Mansfield	5.3	4.9	4.1	3.8	3.7	Stamford	4.9	4.4	4.2	3.7	3.3
Carterbury	5.9	5.3	4.5	3.9	3.3	Marlborough	4.6	4.0	3.5	3.3	2.9	Sterling	7.1	6.1	5.7	5.0	4.6
Canton	4.1	3.9	3.5	3.2	2.9	Meriden	7.1	6.2	5.6	4.8	4.4	Stonington	5.0	4.0	3.7	3.4	3.0
Chaplin	6.2	5.7	5.1	4.6	3.7	Middlebury	4.6	4.3	4.2	3.4	3.0	Stratford	6.3	5.9	5.5	4.7	4.4
Cheshire	3.9	3.7	3.3	3.0	2.5	Middlefield	4.6	4.6	3.7	3.2	3.5	Suffield	4.6	4.2	3.9	3.5	3.2
Chester	3.9	3.8	3.7	2.9	3.0	Middletown	5.7	5.1	4.6	4.0	3.6	Thomaston	5.0	4.3	4.0	3.9	3.4
Clinton	4.7	4.1	4.0	3.4	3.2	Milford	5.0	4.6	4.3	3.8	3.4	Thompson	5.7	5.4	4.7	4.0	3.8
Colechester	4.5	4.3	3.8	3.4	3.1	Monroe	5.2	4.6	4.7	3.7	3.6	Tolland	3.9	3.7	3.4	3.1	2.8
Colebrook	4.9	5.3	5.4	4.8	3.7	Montville	6.2	5.1	4.6	4.2	3.7	Tonington	6.3	5.9	5.4	4.8	4.2
Columbia	4.9	4.3	3.8	3.5	3.3	Morris	4.3	3.8	3.6	3.5	2.9	Trumbull	4.9	4.3	4.1	3.8	3.4
Comwell	3.5	2.7	3.0	2.8	2.6	Naugatuck	6.8	5.9	5.4	4.7	4.2	Union	5.2	4.7	3.7	2.6	3.0
Coventry	4.7	4.2	3.8	3.4	2.9	New Britain	7.9	6.9	6.4	5.7	5.3	Vernon	5.4	4.8	4.4	4.0	3.6
Corwall	4.9	4.4	4.1	3.6	3.1	New Canaan	4.3	3.9	3.9	3.2	3.1	Voluntown	6.2	5.2	4.9	3.7	4.0
Danbury	4.7	4.2	3.9	3.4	3.2	New Fairfield	4.7	4.3	4.0	3.4	3.2	Wallingford	5.1	4.5	4.1	3.5	3.1
Darien	4.3	4.2	3.7	3.4	3.2	New Hartford	4.7	4.3	3.8	3.4	2.9	Warren	4.9	3.9	4.4	3.1	2.7
Deep River	4.5	3.8	3.5	3.3	2.7	New Haven	7.3	6.5	6.0	5.1	4.4	Washington	3.6	3.2	3.2	2.4	2.3
Derby	6.8	6.3	5.9	5.2	4.4	New London	8.2	7.2	6.3	5.5	5.0	Waterbury	9.3	8.0	7.4	6.6	5.9
Durham	4.0	3.5	3.3	3.0	2.7	New Milford	4.8	4.4	4.1	3.6	3.2	Waterford	5.4	4.8	4.2	3.6	3.5
East Granby	4.0	4.3	3.5	3.5	2.9	Newington	4.8	4.5	4.1	3.7	3.4	Watertown	5.4	4.6	4.1	3.7	3.4
East Haddam	5.2	4.7	4.5	3.6	3.3	Newtown	4.4	4.3	3.9	3.5	3.0	West Hartford	4.2	3.8	3.4	3.1	2.8
East Hampton	4.6	4.3	3.8	3.4	3.0	Norfolk	4.8	4.6	3.7	3.6	3.2	West Haven	6.7	5.8	5.4	4.8	4.1
East Hartford	7.1	6.5	5.7	5.3	4.7	North Branford	5.1	4.5	3.9	3.5	3.2	Westbrook	4.8	4.5	4.0	3.6	3.3
East Haven	6.2	5.7	5.2	4.4	4.1	North Canaan	4.7	4.8	3.7	3.6	3.4	Weston	4.4	4.2	4.1	3.7	3.2
East Lyme	5.4	4.8	4.2	3.9	3.5	North Haven	5.0	4.5	4.1	3.6	3.2	Westport	4.0	3.8	3.7	3.1	2.9
East Windsor	5.6	5.3	5.0	4.4	3.8	North Stonington	4.8	4.1	3.8	3.5	3.2	Wethersfield	4.9	4.6	4.4	3.6	3.2
Eastford	3.9	3.8	4.2	4.0	3.2	Norwalk	5.1	4.5	4.2	3.7	3.4	Willington	4.4	4.1	3.7	3.6	2.8
Easton	4.0	3.7	3.9	3.4	2.8	Norwich	7.1	6.0	5.1	4.5	4.1	Wilton	4.2	4.1	3.7	3.2	3.2
Ellington	5.0	4.4	3.9	3.6	3.1	Old Lyme	4.7	4.0	3.9	3.6	3.2	Winchester	5.8	5.4	5.1	4.5	4.2
Enfield	5.5	5.5	4.7	4.0	3.6	Old Saybrook	4.7	4.4	4.0	3.4	3.1	Windham	7.1	6.2	5.9	5.3	4.8
Essex	4.9	3.9	3.7	3.2	3.0	Orange	4.4	4.1	3.4	3.2	2.9	Windsor	5.4	5.0	4.7	4.1	3.8
Fairfield	4.9	4.4	4.2	3.7	3.4	Oxford	5.0	4.4	4.2	3.4	3.1	Windsor Locks	5.7	5.2	4.7	4.4	3.8
Farmington	4.1	3.8	3.6	3.2	2.8	Plainfield	7.0	6.0	5.4	4.8	4.3	Wolcott	5.0	4.6	4.3	3.7	3.3
Franklin	5.4	4.9	3.4	3.4	3.8	Plainville	5.3	5.0	4.9	4.1	3.5	Woodbridge	4.1	3.5	3.1	3.1	2.7
Glastonbury	3.9	3.6	3.2	2.8	2.6	Plymouth	6.5	5.8	5.2	4.6	4.5	Woodbury	4.6	4.2	3.6	3.4	3.2
Goshen	4.6	4.2	3.6	3.0	3.0	Ponfret	4.3	3.5	3.2	3.3	2.7	Woodstock	5.1	4.7	4.4	4.1	3.7
Granby	4.4	3.8	3.3	2.9	2.5	Portland	5.0	4.9	4.2	3.7	3.2						
Greenwich	4.2	3.9	3.7	3.1	2.9	Preston	5.4	5.1	4.9	4.0	3.7	<b>CONNECTICUT</b>	<b>5.7</b>	<b>5.1</b>	<b>4.7</b>	<b>4.1</b>	<b>3.7</b>

Source: Connecticut Department of Labor, Office of Research

# Connecticut Town Unemployment Rate, 2019



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May are down 33% to a level 21% below one year ago. Almost every sector experienced a decline in job postings over that two-month period. While down, total postings are still above 25,000 – employers in every sector continue to recruit in Connecticut. One sector that has more postings than eight weeks ago is Transportation and Warehousing. The gains in that sector are driven by job postings for driving or delivery services as home-bound consumers adjust to current conditions.

Of the three sectors with large April job losses, postings in Accommodation & Food Service and Retail Trade fell by 50% and 45% from March to May. Health Care and Social Assistance job ads fell by 13% over two months although there were still thousands of postings in these industries.

Despite the overall declines during the past two months, almost every sector had fewer losses in

April than in March, and some saw gains, suggesting that the precipitous impact of the shutdown on job postings may be subsiding. Industries that had more postings during the first week in May than the first week in April include Wholesale Trade, Information, and Transportation & Warehousing.

Job postings from HWOL are one indicator of labor market activity that should be examined along with other measures. For example, job postings by firms categorized by industry are not the same as vacancy data derived from the Bureau of Labor Statistics Job Openings and Labor Turnover (BLS JOLTS) program which attempts to give a comprehensive view of the entire economy. By their nature, some industries such as Finance or Education and Health Services have a larger share of total job postings than their corresponding

employment share, while industries such as Leisure and Hospitality are underrepresented as they're less likely to post ads for openings online.<sup>3</sup>

There is no question that the labor market has experienced a severe decline due to the COVID-19 health crisis. Nevertheless, many businesses continue to seek workers. While postings are well below year-ago levels, there are new postings each week in every sector of the Connecticut economy. ■

1 For more info on HWOL, see: <https://www.conference-board.org/data/helpwantedonline.cfm>

2 For more info on CT DOL HWOL publications, see: <https://www1.ctdol.state.ct.us/lmi/HWOL.asp>

3 For more info on Industry Employment and Industry Job ads, see: <https://www1.ctdol.state.ct.us/lmi/digest/articles/IsaJobShortage.asp>

## GENERAL ECONOMIC INDICATORS

<i>(Seasonally adjusted)</i>	4Q	4Q	YoY CHG		3Q	QoQ CHG	
	2019	2018	NO.	%	2019	NO.	%
<b>General Drift Indicator (1996=100)*</b>							
<b>Leading</b>	119.4	117.7	1.7	1.5	119.2	0.2	0.17
<b>Coincident</b>	117.5	116.9	0.6	0.6	117.2	0.4	0.32
<b>Liberty Bank Business Barometer (1992=100)**</b>	142.2	142.0	0.3	0.2	141.7	0.5	0.37
<b>Real Gross Domestic Product***</b> (2012 Chained \$, SAAR)	4Q	4Q	YoY CHG		3Q	QoQ CHG	
	2019	2018	NO.	%	2019	NO.	%
<b>Connecticut (\$ in millions)</b>	250,045.1	244,964.0	5,081.1	2.1	249,471.6	573.5	0.2
<b>United States (\$ in millions)</b>	19,221,970	18,783,548	438,422	2.3	19,121,112	100,858	0.5
<b>New England (\$ in millions)</b>	996,132.2	971,908.4	24,223.8	2.5	991,703.7	4,428.5	0.4
<b>Per Capita Personal Income***</b> (Current \$, SAAR)	4Q	4Q	YoY CHG		3Q	QoQ CHG	
	2019	2018	NO.	%	2019	NO.	%
<b>Connecticut</b>	79,403	77,466	1,937	2.5	79,053	350	0.4
<b>United States</b>	57,205	55,222	1,983	3.6	56,857	348	0.6
<b>New England</b>	71,095	68,815	2,280	3.3	70,654	441	0.6
<b>Philadelphia Fed's Coincident Index (2007=100)****</b>	Apr	Apr	YoY CHG		Mar	MoM CHG	
	2020	2019	NO.	%	2020	NO.	%
<b>Connecticut</b>	110.72	127.91	-17.2	-13.4	126.13	-15.4	-12.2
<b>United States</b>	111.96	127.80	-15.8	-12.4	127.26	-15.3	-12.0

Sources: \*Dr. Steven P. Lanza, University of Connecticut \*\*Liberty Bank \*\*\*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 **Liberty 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).

Total nonfarm  
employment decreased  
over the year.

## EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY SECTOR

	Apr		CHANGE		Mar
	2020	2019	NO.	%	2020
<i>(Seasonally adjusted; 000s)</i>					
<b>TOTAL NONFARM</b>	1,411.1	1,687.9	-276.8	-16.4	1,677.4
<b>Natural Res &amp; Mining</b>	0.5	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.6
<b>Construction</b>	49.6	60.7	-11.1	-18.3	60.2
<b>Manufacturing</b>	149.5	162.0	-12.5	-7.7	162.8
<b>Trade, Transportation &amp; Utilities</b>	241.4	291.8	-50.4	-17.3	291.8
<b>Information</b>	30.1	31.3	-1.2	-3.8	31.4
<b>Financial Activities</b>	120.4	123.8	-3.4	-2.7	123.0
<b>Professional and Business Services</b>	197.8	219.6	-21.8	-9.9	224.1
<b>Education and Health Services</b>	294.1	338.2	-44.1	-13.0	339.3
<b>Leisure and Hospitality</b>	72.1	158.6	-86.5	-54.5	144.6
<b>Other Services</b>	40.4	65.5	-25.1	-38.3	64.5
<b>Government*</b>	215.2	235.9	-20.7	-8.8	235.1

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

Average weekly initial  
claims rose from a year  
ago.

## UNEMPLOYMENT

	Apr		CHANGE		Mar
	2020	2019	NO.	%	2020
<i>(Seasonally adjusted)</i>					
<b>Labor Force, resident (000s)</b>	1,788.4	1,901.1	-112.7	-5.9	1,930.8
<b>Employed (000s)</b>	1,647.7	1,831.2	-183.5	-10.0	1,865.2
<b>Unemployed (000s)</b>	140.7	69.9	70.8	101.3	65.6
<b>Unemployment Rate (%)</b>	7.9	3.7	4.2	---	3.4
<b>Labor Force Participation Rate (%)</b>	62.0	65.9	-3.9	---	66.9
<b>Employment-Population Ratio (%)</b>	57.1	63.5	-6.4	---	64.6
<b>Average Weekly Initial Claims</b>	44,075	4,146	39,929	963.0	23,264
<b>Avg. Insured Unemp. Rate (%)</b>	16.63	1.98	14.65	---	3.04
	<b>1Q 2020</b>	<b>1Q 2019</b>			<b>2019</b>
<b>U-6 Rate (%)</b>	8.1	8.8	-0.7	---	7.9

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

The production worker  
weekly earnings rose over  
the year.

## MANUFACTURING ACTIVITY

	Apr		CHANGE		Mar	Feb
	2020	2019	NO.	%	2020	2020
<i>(Not seasonally adjusted)</i>						
<b>Production Worker Avg Wkly Hours</b>	39.3	42.8	-3.5	-8.2	41.3	--
<b>Prod. Worker Avg Hourly Earnings</b>	29.72	26.65	3.07	11.5	28.87	--
<b>Prod. Worker Avg Weekly Earnings</b>	1,168.00	1,140.62	27.38	2.4	1,192.33	--
<b>CT Mfg. Prod. Index, NSA (2009=100)</b>	84.9	92.3	-7.3	-7.9	90.0	89.5
<b>Production Worker Hours (000s)</b>	3,305	3,779	-474	-12.5	3,734	--
<b>Industrial Electricity Sales (mil kWh)*</b>	214	232	-17.7	-7.6	220	220
<b>CT Mfg. Prod. Index, SA (2009=100)</b>	89.1	96.1	-7.0	-7.3	94.2	97.2

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

\*Latest two months are forecasted.

Personal income for third  
quarter 2020 is  
forecasted to increase 4.4  
percent from a year  
earlier.

## INCOME

	3Q*		CHANGE		2Q*
	2020	2019	NO.	%	2020
<i>(Seasonally adjusted)</i>					
<i>(Annualized; \$ Millions)</i>					
<b>Personal Income</b>	\$296,523	\$284,034	12,489	4.4	\$293,350
<b>UI Covered Wages</b>	\$120,719	\$118,596	2,123	1.8	\$120,184

Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis

\*Forecasted by Connecticut Department of Labor

## BUSINESS ACTIVITY

*New auto registrations decreased over the year.*

	MONTH	LEVEL	Y/Y %	YEAR TO DATE		%
			CHG	CURRENT	PRIOR	CHG
<b>New Housing Permits*</b>	Apr 2020	401	-44.4	1,763	1,812	-2.7
<b>Electricity Sales (mil kWh)</b>	Mar 2020	2,076	-9.6	6,683	7,094	-5.8
<b>Construction Contracts</b>						
<b>Index (1980=100)</b>	Apr 2020	178.2	-29.8	---	---	---
<b>New Auto Registrations</b>	Apr 2020	10,120	-37.5	52,595	61,558	-14.6
<b>Exports (Bil. \$)</b>	1Q 2020	4.15	-5.2	4.15	4.38	-5.2
<b>S&amp;P 500: Monthly Close</b>	Apr 2020	2,912.43	-1.1	---	---	---

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
<b>STARTS</b>						
<b>Secretary of the State</b>	Apr 2020	2,189	-34.3	11,340	13,213	-14.2
<b>Department of Labor</b>	3Q 2019	2,390	-5.6	8,118	8,799	-7.7
<b>TERMINATIONS</b>						
<b>Secretary of the State</b>	Apr 2020	824	-60.9	5,171	8,149	-36.5
<b>Department of Labor</b>	3Q 2019	1,944	-3.1	5,777	5,862	-1.5

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

## STATE REVENUES

*Total all revenues were down from a year ago.*

	Apr	Apr	%	CURRENT	PRIOR	%
	2020	2019	CHG			CHG
<i>(Millions of dollars)</i>						
<b>TOTAL ALL REVENUES*</b>	1,417.9	3,071.9	-53.8	6654.0	8,209.6	-18.9
<b>Corporate Tax</b>	102.1	325.6	-68.6	756.1	1,054.4	-28.3
<b>Personal Income Tax</b>	669.1	1,762.3	-62.0	3222.0	4,338.0	-25.7
<b>Real Estate Conv. Tax</b>	4.6	12.7	-63.8	43.2	52.3	-17.4
<b>Sales &amp; Use Tax</b>	338.2	467.2	-27.6	1550.3	1,540.6	0.6
<b>Gaming Payments**</b>	0.0	20.4	-100.0	47.9	80.8	-40.7

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

*Tourism website visitors fell over the year.*

	MONTH	LEVEL	Y/Y %	YEAR TO DATE		%
			CHG	CURRENT	PRIOR	CHG
<b>Occupancy Rate (%)*</b>	Apr 2020	23.8	-62.4	40.1	55.7	-28.0
<b>Tourism Website Visitors</b>	Apr 2020	202,944	-23.8	968,494	940,754	2.9
<b>Air Passenger Count</b>	Mar 2020	291,352	-49.8	1,279,346	1,523,795	-16.0
<b>Gaming Slots (Mil.\$)***</b>	Apr 2020	0.0	-100.0	2,308.8	3,941.9	-41.4

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 2.8 percent over the year.

## EMPLOYMENT COST INDEX

	Seasonally Adjusted			Not Seasonally Adjusted		
	Mar 2020	Dec 2019	3-Mo % Chg	Mar 2020	Mar 2019	12-Mo % Chg
<b>Private Industry Workers</b> <i>(Dec. 2005 = 100)</i>						
<b>UNITED STATES TOTAL</b>	139.3	138.2	0.8	139.4	135.6	2.8
<b>Wages and Salaries</b>	140.3	138.9	1.0	140.4	135.9	3.3
<b>Benefit Costs</b>	136.8	136.5	0.2	136.9	134.7	1.6
<b>NORTHEAST TOTAL</b>	---	---	---	141.7	138.1	2.6
<b>Wages and Salaries</b>	---	---	---	141.9	137.6	3.1

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 0.3 percent over the year.

## CONSUMER NEWS

	MO/QTR	LEVEL	% CHANGE	
			Y/Y	P/P*
<i>(Not seasonally adjusted)</i>				
<b>CONSUMER PRICES</b>				
<b>CPI-U (1982-84=100)</b>				
<b>U.S. City Average</b>	Apr 2020	256.389	0.3	-0.7
<b>Purchasing Power of \$ (1982-84=\$1.00)</b>	Apr 2020	0.390	-0.3	0.7
<b>Northeast Region</b>	Apr 2020	271.325	0.8	-0.4
<b>New York-Newark-Jersey City</b>	Apr 2020	280.623	1.1	-0.5
<b>Boston-Cambridge-Newton**</b>	Mar 2020	285.544	1.8	0.1
<b>CPI-W (1982-84=100)</b>				
<b>U.S. City Average</b>	Apr 2020	249.515	0.1	-0.7

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 3.31 percent over the month.

## INTEREST RATES

	Apr 2020	Mar 2020	Apr 2019
<i>(Percent)</i>			
<b>Prime</b>	3.25	3.78	5.50
<b>Federal Funds</b>	0.05	0.65	2.42
<b>3 Month Treasury Bill</b>	0.14	0.30	2.43
<b>6 Month Treasury Bill</b>	0.17	0.30	2.46
<b>1 Year Treasury Note</b>	0.18	0.33	2.42
<b>3 Year Treasury Note</b>	0.28	0.50	2.31
<b>5 Year Treasury Note</b>	0.39	0.59	2.33
<b>7 Year Treasury Note</b>	0.55	0.78	2.43
<b>10 Year Treasury Note</b>	0.66	0.87	2.53
<b>20 Year Treasury Note</b>	1.06	1.26	2.76
<b>Conventional Mortgage</b>	3.31	3.45	4.14

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>	Apr	Apr	CHANGE		Mar
	2020	2019	NO.	%	2020
<b>Connecticut</b>	1,411.1	1,687.9	-276.8	-16.4	1,677.4
<b>Maine</b>	531.7	634.5	-102.8	-16.2	630.1
<b>Massachusetts</b>	3,045.8	3,683.8	-638.0	-17.3	3,668.8
<b>New Hampshire</b>	572.5	684.3	-111.8	-16.3	680.3
<b>New Jersey</b>	3,409.1	4,193.4	-784.3	-18.7	4,166.8
<b>New York</b>	7,895.8	9,800.7	-1,904.9	-19.4	9,723.1
<b>Pennsylvania</b>	5,014.2	6,058.2	-1,044.0	-17.2	6,038.3
<b>Rhode Island</b>	409.7	503.5	-93.8	-18.6	498.5
<b>Vermont</b>	248.7	316.8	-68.1	-21.5	309.4
<b>United States</b>	131,072.0	150,492.0	-19,420.0	-12.9	151,572.0

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

## LABOR FORCE

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

<i>(Seasonally adjusted)</i>	Apr	Apr	CHANGE		Mar
	2020	2019	NO.	%	2020
<b>Connecticut</b>	1,788,425	1,901,072	-112,647	-5.9	1,930,836
<b>Maine</b>	666,461	691,620	-25,159	-3.6	695,329
<b>Massachusetts</b>	3,407,253	3,801,080	-393,827	-10.4	3,771,967
<b>New Hampshire</b>	721,862	771,521	-49,659	-6.4	766,087
<b>New Jersey</b>	4,469,885	4,455,716	14,169	0.3	4,588,196
<b>New York</b>	9,103,780	9,495,586	-391,806	-4.1	9,411,433
<b>Pennsylvania</b>	6,451,516	6,449,195	2,321	0.0	6,542,916
<b>Rhode Island</b>	530,587	554,273	-23,686	-4.3	565,163
<b>Vermont</b>	349,761	343,481	6,280	1.8	340,607
<b>United States</b>	156,481,000	162,546,000	-6,065,000	-3.7	162,913,000

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

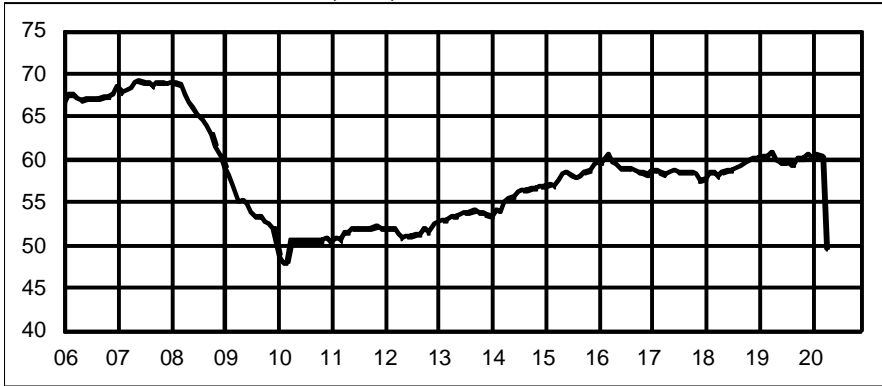
## UNEMPLOYMENT RATES

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

<i>(Seasonally adjusted)</i>	Apr	Apr	CHANGE		Mar
	2020	2019			2020
<b>Connecticut</b>	7.9	3.7	4.2		3.4
<b>Maine</b>	10.6	3.1	7.5		3.0
<b>Massachusetts</b>	15.1	3.0	12.1		2.8
<b>New Hampshire</b>	16.3	2.5	13.8		2.4
<b>New Jersey</b>	15.3	3.4	11.9		3.7
<b>New York</b>	14.5	4.0	10.5		4.1
<b>Pennsylvania</b>	15.1	4.1	11.0		5.8
<b>Rhode Island</b>	17.0	3.6	13.4		4.7
<b>Vermont</b>	15.6	2.3	13.3		3.1
<b>United States</b>	14.7	3.6	11.1		4.4

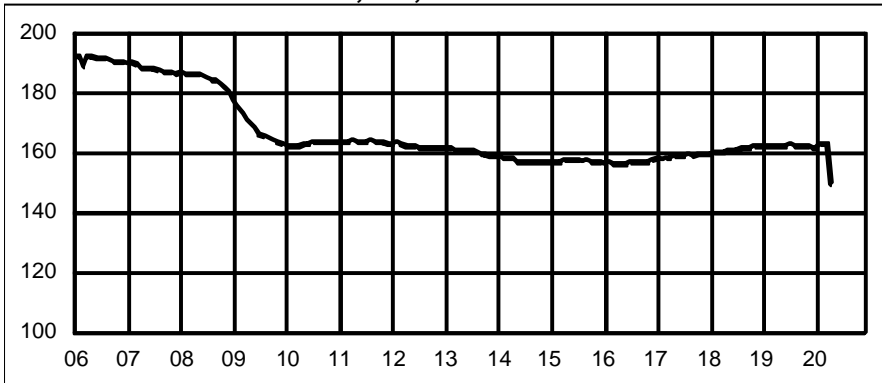
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**CONSTRUCTION EMP., SA, 000s**



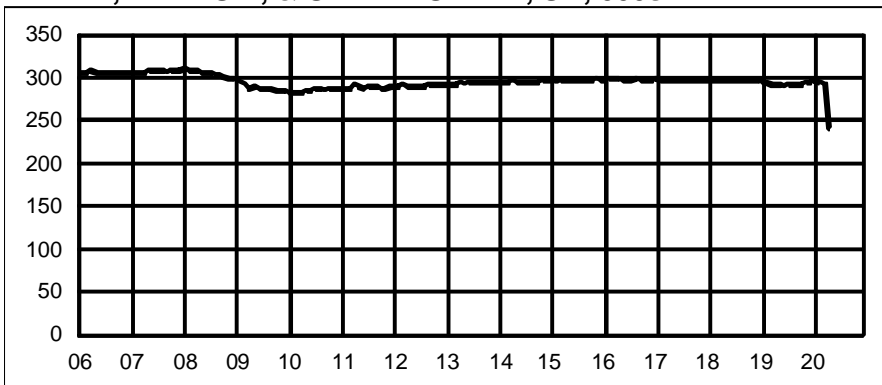
Month	2018	2019	2020
Jan	57.7	60.0	60.0
Feb	58.4	60.2	60.5
Mar	58.4	60.2	60.2
Apr	58.0	60.7	49.6
May	58.4	59.8	
Jun	58.6	59.6	
Jul	58.6	59.7	
Aug	58.8	59.4	
Sep	59.2	59.4	
Oct	59.7	60.1	
Nov	59.9	60.0	
Dec	60.1	60.5	

**MANUFACTURING EMP., SA, 000s**



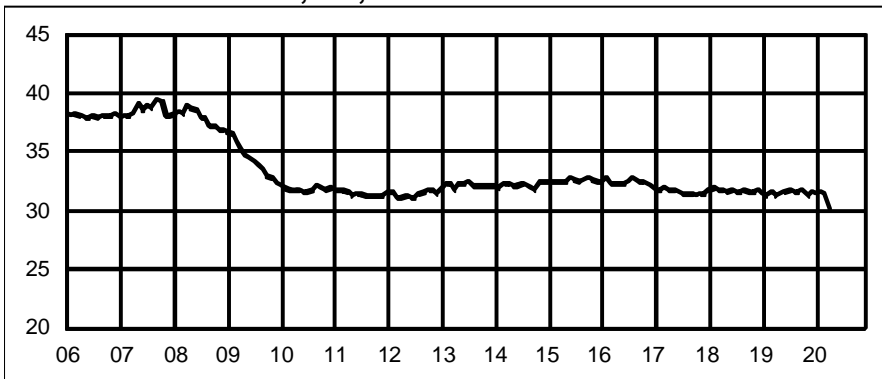
Month	2018	2019	2020
Jan	159.6	161.8	161.6
Feb	159.9	161.8	162.5
Mar	159.7	162.0	162.8
Apr	160.2	162.0	149.5
May	160.4	162.2	
Jun	160.6	162.2	
Jul	160.9	162.4	
Aug	161.1	162.0	
Sep	161.1	162.2	
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Nov	161.7	162.3	
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**TRADE, TRANSP., & UTILITIES EMP., SA, 000s**



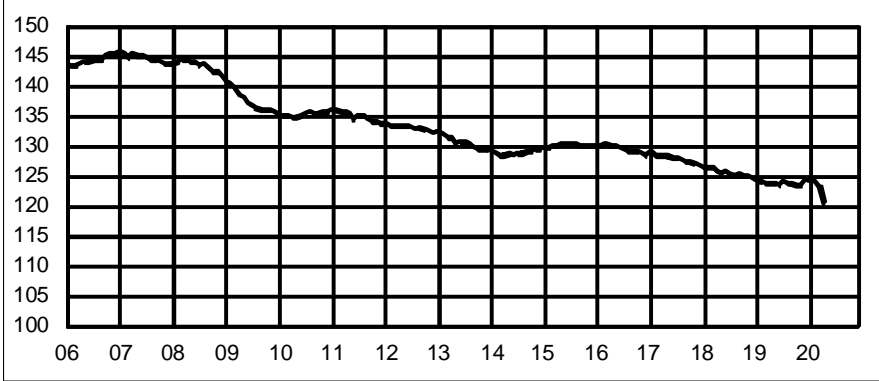
Month	2018	2019	2020
Jan	297.3	293.7	296.8
Feb	297.2	292.9	293.7
Mar	297.2	292.1	291.8
Apr	295.7	291.8	241.4
May	296.8	291.0	
Jun	297.5	290.0	
Jul	297.0	291.8	
Aug	296.8	292.4	
Sep	296.4	292.2	
Oct	295.8	292.5	
Nov	296.3	293.1	
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**INFORMATION EMP., SA, 000s**



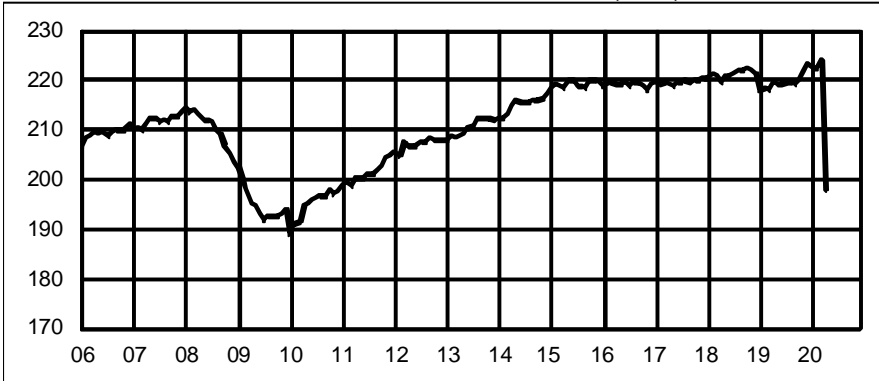
Month	2018	2019	2020
Jan	31.8	31.4	31.4
Feb	31.9	31.3	31.5
Mar	31.7	31.5	31.4
Apr	31.7	31.3	30.1
May	31.6	31.4	
Jun	31.7	31.5	
Jul	31.6	31.7	
Aug	31.6	31.6	
Sep	31.7	31.5	
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Nov	31.5	31.2	
Dec	31.7	31.6	

## FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES EMP., SA, 000s



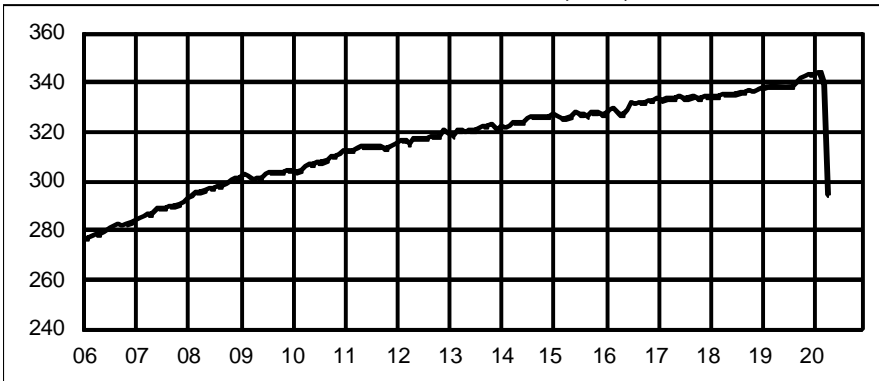
Month	2018	2019	2020
Jan	126.5	124.1	124.0
Feb	126.4	124.1	124.3
Mar	126.2	123.8	123.0
Apr	125.6	123.8	120.4
May	125.5	123.6	
Jun	125.6	123.4	
Jul	125.2	124.1	
Aug	125.1	123.8	
Sep	125.2	123.8	
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Dec	124.7	124.2	

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



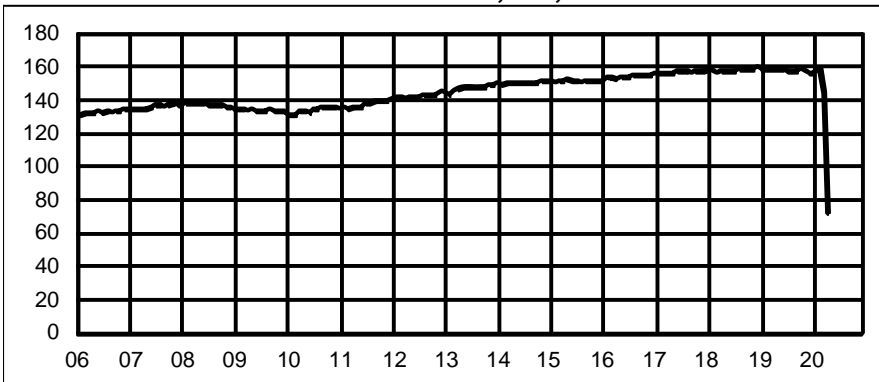
Month	2018	2019	2020
Jan	220.2	218.0	222.2
Feb	221.0	218.5	222.5
Mar	220.7	217.9	224.1
Apr	219.7	219.6	197.8
May	220.8	219.2	
Jun	220.8	219.3	
Jul	221.0	219.6	
Aug	221.9	219.6	
Sep	221.8	219.2	
Oct	222.2	220.1	
Nov	221.8	221.7	
Dec	221.0	223.1	

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



Month	2018	2019	2020
Jan	333.7	337.3	343.3
Feb	334.4	337.8	344.0
Mar	334.3	338.4	339.3
Apr	334.9	338.2	294.1
May	334.8	338.1	
Jun	334.9	338.0	
Jul	335.1	338.0	
Aug	335.7	338.4	
Sep	335.9	339.6	
Oct	336.1	341.0	
Nov	335.9	341.9	
Dec	336.8	342.6	

## LEISURE AND HOSPITALITY EMP., SA, 000s



Month	2018	2019	2020
Jan	157.9	158.4	155.7
Feb	157.3	158.3	157.9
Mar	156.2	158.3	144.6
Apr	156.7	158.6	72.1
May	157.0	158.3	
Jun	157.5	158.1	
Jul	157.8	157.8	
Aug	158.4	157.2	
Sep	158.5	157.1	
Oct	159.0	158.0	
Nov	157.9	157.3	
Dec	159.3	155.9	

## CONNECTICUT



Not Seasonally Adjusted

	Apr	Apr	CHANGE		Mar
	2020	2019	NO.	%	2020
<b>TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT</b> .....	<b>1,412,500</b>	<b>1,684,400</b>	<b>-271,900</b>	<b>-16.1</b>	<b>1,659,300</b>
<b>TOTAL PRIVATE</b> .....	<b>1,193,000</b>	<b>1,443,700</b>	<b>-250,700</b>	<b>-17.4</b>	<b>1,418,100</b>
<b>GOODS PRODUCING INDUSTRIES</b> .....	<b>198,600</b>	<b>221,300</b>	<b>-22,700</b>	<b>-10.3</b>	<b>217,600</b>
<b>CONSTRUCTION, NAT. RES. &amp; MINING</b> ....	<b>49,200</b>	<b>60,000</b>	<b>-10,800</b>	<b>-18.0</b>	<b>55,700</b>
<b>MANUFACTURING</b> .....	<b>149,400</b>	<b>161,300</b>	<b>-11,900</b>	<b>-7.4</b>	<b>161,900</b>
<b>Durable Goods</b> .....	<b>118,200</b>	<b>127,000</b>	<b>-8,800</b>	<b>-6.9</b>	<b>127,600</b>
Fabricated Metal.....	29,800	29,800	0	0.0	30,400
Machinery.....	13,200	13,100	100	0.8	13,100
Computer and Electronic Product.....	10,800	11,000	-200	-1.8	10,800
Transportation Equipment.....	42,900	46,600	-3,700	-7.9	47,300
Aerospace Product and Parts.....	29,800	31,500	-1,700	-5.4	32,400
<b>Non-Durable Goods</b> .....	<b>31,200</b>	<b>34,300</b>	<b>-3,100</b>	<b>-9.0</b>	<b>34,300</b>
Chemical.....	7,200	7,900	-700	-8.9	7,900
<b>SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES</b> .....	<b>1,213,900</b>	<b>1,463,100</b>	<b>-249,200</b>	<b>-17.0</b>	<b>1,441,700</b>
<b>TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, UTILITIES</b> ....	<b>239,000</b>	<b>286,700</b>	<b>-47,700</b>	<b>-16.6</b>	<b>287,700</b>
Wholesale Trade.....	57,400	59,900	-2,500	-4.2	59,000
Retail Trade.....	131,900	173,300	-41,400	-23.9	168,300
Motor Vehicle and Parts Dealers.....	14,600	21,900	-7,300	-33.3	21,700
Building Material.....	14,700	15,700	-1,000	-6.4	15,500
Food and Beverage Stores.....	39,000	41,400	-2,400	-5.8	40,700
General Merchandise Stores.....	23,100	26,000	-2,900	-11.2	26,600
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities.....	49,700	53,500	-3,800	-7.1	60,400
Utilities.....	5,100	5,200	-100	-1.9	5,100
Transportation and Warehousing.....	44,600	48,300	-3,700	-7.7	55,300
<b>INFORMATION</b> .....	<b>30,000</b>	<b>31,200</b>	<b>-1,200</b>	<b>-3.8</b>	<b>31,300</b>
Telecommunications.....	6,500	6,900	-400	-5.8	6,600
<b>FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES</b> .....	<b>119,700</b>	<b>122,900</b>	<b>-3,200</b>	<b>-2.6</b>	<b>122,900</b>
Finance and Insurance.....	101,200	103,200	-2,000	-1.9	102,700
Credit Intermediation and Related.....	21,900	22,600	-700	-3.1	22,300
Financial Investments and Related.....	21,300	22,000	-700	-3.2	21,700
Insurance Carriers & Related Activities.....	58,000	58,600	-600	-1.0	58,700
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing.....	18,500	19,700	-1,200	-6.1	20,200
<b>PROFESSIONAL &amp; BUSINESS SERVICES</b> .....	<b>198,300</b>	<b>220,000</b>	<b>-21,700</b>	<b>-9.9</b>	<b>219,600</b>
Professional, Scientific.....	90,300	96,300	-6,000	-6.2	97,800
Legal Services.....	11,600	12,500	-900	-7.2	12,500
Computer Systems Design.....	21,700	23,400	-1,700	-7.3	22,700
Management of Companies.....	32,200	32,800	-600	-1.8	34,100
Administrative and Support.....	75,800	90,900	-15,100	-16.6	87,700
Employment Services.....	20,900	28,400	-7,500	-26.4	27,000
<b>EDUCATION AND HEALTH SERVICES</b> .....	<b>297,700</b>	<b>341,100</b>	<b>-43,400</b>	<b>-12.7</b>	<b>339,100</b>
Educational Services.....	66,000	70,100	-4,100	-5.8	67,400
Health Care and Social Assistance.....	231,700	271,000	-39,300	-14.5	271,700
Hospitals.....	56,700	58,300	-1,600	-2.7	59,400
Nursing & Residential Care Facilities.....	57,300	60,500	-3,200	-5.3	60,300
Social Assistance.....	47,700	58,600	-10,900	-18.6	58,100
<b>LEISURE AND HOSPITALITY</b> .....	<b>69,800</b>	<b>155,300</b>	<b>-85,500</b>	<b>-55.1</b>	<b>136,400</b>
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation.....	10,700	26,900	-16,200	-60.2	22,300
Accommodation and Food Services.....	59,100	128,400	-69,300	-54.0	114,100
Food Serv., Restaurants, Drinking Places.....	50,200	117,200	-67,000	-57.2	103,300
<b>OTHER SERVICES</b> .....	<b>39,900</b>	<b>65,200</b>	<b>-25,300</b>	<b>-38.8</b>	<b>63,500</b>
<b>GOVERNMENT</b> .....	<b>219,500</b>	<b>240,700</b>	<b>-21,200</b>	<b>-8.8</b>	<b>241,200</b>
Federal Government.....	18,400	17,900	500	2.8	18,300
State Government.....	72,800	73,800	-1,000	-1.4	74,300
Local Government**.....	128,300	149,000	-20,700	-13.9	148,600

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

## BRIDGEPORT - STAMFORD LMA



Not Seasonally Adjusted

	Apr 2020	Apr 2019	CHANGE		Mar 2020
			NO.	%	
<b>TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT</b> .....	<b>329,800</b>	<b>404,400</b>	<b>-74,600</b>	<b>-18.4</b>	<b>394,100</b>
<b>TOTAL PRIVATE</b> .....	<b>287,800</b>	<b>360,300</b>	<b>-72,500</b>	<b>-20.1</b>	<b>349,700</b>
<b>GOODS PRODUCING INDUSTRIES</b> .....	<b>37,900</b>	<b>41,700</b>	<b>-3,800</b>	<b>-9.1</b>	<b>40,600</b>
<b>CONSTRUCTION, NAT. RES. &amp; MINING</b> ....	<b>10,400</b>	<b>12,900</b>	<b>-2,500</b>	<b>-19.4</b>	<b>12,000</b>
<b>MANUFACTURING</b> .....	<b>27,500</b>	<b>28,800</b>	<b>-1,300</b>	<b>-4.5</b>	<b>28,600</b>
Durable Goods.....	21,600	22,400	-800	-3.6	22,100
<b>SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES</b> .....	<b>291,900</b>	<b>362,700</b>	<b>-70,800</b>	<b>-19.5</b>	<b>353,500</b>
<b>TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, UTILITIES</b> ....	<b>53,400</b>	<b>66,600</b>	<b>-13,200</b>	<b>-19.8</b>	<b>65,400</b>
Wholesale Trade.....	12,400	12,600	-200	-1.6	12,400
Retail Trade.....	32,500	45,000	-12,500	-27.8	43,300
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities....	8,500	9,000	-500	-5.6	9,700
<b>INFORMATION</b> .....	<b>12,300</b>	<b>12,900</b>	<b>-600</b>	<b>-4.7</b>	<b>13,000</b>
<b>FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES</b> .....	<b>35,400</b>	<b>37,200</b>	<b>-1,800</b>	<b>-4.8</b>	<b>36,000</b>
Finance and Insurance.....	29,200	31,000	-1,800	-5.8	29,800
Credit Intermediation and Related.....	8,100	8,100	0	0.0	8,100
Financial Investments and Related.....	15,500	15,900	-400	-2.5	15,700
<b>PROFESSIONAL &amp; BUSINESS SERVICES</b>	<b>56,600</b>	<b>66,500</b>	<b>-9,900</b>	<b>-14.9</b>	<b>65,100</b>
Professional, Scientific.....	26,300	29,800	-3,500	-11.7	29,400
Administrative and Support.....	19,400	25,500	-6,100	-23.9	23,900
<b>EDUCATION AND HEALTH SERVICES</b> ....	<b>60,500</b>	<b>75,100</b>	<b>-14,600</b>	<b>-19.4</b>	<b>73,700</b>
Health Care and Social Assistance.....	49,700	62,300	-12,600	-20.2	61,500
<b>LEISURE AND HOSPITALITY</b> .....	<b>21,100</b>	<b>42,600</b>	<b>-21,500</b>	<b>-50.5</b>	<b>38,600</b>
Accommodation and Food Services.....	16,700	32,500	-15,800	-48.6	29,700
<b>OTHER SERVICES</b> .....	<b>10,600</b>	<b>17,700</b>	<b>-7,100</b>	<b>-40.1</b>	<b>17,300</b>
<b>GOVERNMENT</b> .....	<b>42,000</b>	<b>44,100</b>	<b>-2,100</b>	<b>-4.8</b>	<b>44,400</b>
Federal.....	2,400	2,400	0	0.0	2,400
State & Local.....	39,600	41,700	-2,100	-5.0	42,000

## DANBURY LMA



Not Seasonally Adjusted

	Apr 2020	Apr 2019	CHANGE		Mar 2020
			NO.	%	
<b>TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT</b> .....	<b>63,400</b>	<b>77,600</b>	<b>-14,200</b>	<b>-18.3</b>	<b>75,900</b>
<b>TOTAL PRIVATE</b> .....	<b>53,700</b>	<b>67,500</b>	<b>-13,800</b>	<b>-20.4</b>	<b>65,600</b>
<b>GOODS PRODUCING INDUSTRIES</b> .....	<b>11,000</b>	<b>11,800</b>	<b>-800</b>	<b>-6.8</b>	<b>11,600</b>
<b>SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES</b> .....	<b>52,400</b>	<b>65,800</b>	<b>-13,400</b>	<b>-20.4</b>	<b>64,300</b>
<b>TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, UTILITIES</b> ....	<b>12,900</b>	<b>16,800</b>	<b>-3,900</b>	<b>-23.2</b>	<b>16,400</b>
Retail Trade.....	9,700	12,000	-2,300	-19.2	11,800
<b>PROFESSIONAL &amp; BUSINESS SERVICES</b>	<b>9,000</b>	<b>10,000</b>	<b>-1,000</b>	<b>-10.0</b>	<b>10,100</b>
<b>LEISURE AND HOSPITALITY</b> .....	<b>3,800</b>	<b>7,700</b>	<b>-3,900</b>	<b>-50.6</b>	<b>7,200</b>
<b>GOVERNMENT</b> .....	<b>9,700</b>	<b>10,100</b>	<b>-400</b>	<b>-4.0</b>	<b>10,300</b>
Federal.....	800	700	100	14.3	800
State & Local.....	8,900	9,400	-500	-5.3	9,500

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

**HARTFORD LMA***Not Seasonally Adjusted*

	Apr 2020	Apr 2019	CHANGE		Mar 2020
			NO.	%	
<b>TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT</b> .....	<b>509,100</b>	<b>583,500</b>	<b>-74,400</b>	<b>-12.8</b>	<b>579,800</b>
<b>TOTAL PRIVATE</b> .....	<b>418,200</b>	<b>489,100</b>	<b>-70,900</b>	<b>-14.5</b>	<b>485,300</b>
<b>GOODS PRODUCING INDUSTRIES</b> .....	<b>73,200</b>	<b>79,500</b>	<b>-6,300</b>	<b>-7.9</b>	<b>80,300</b>
<b>CONSTRUCTION, NAT. RES. &amp; MINING</b> ....	<b>15,800</b>	<b>19,800</b>	<b>-4,000</b>	<b>-20.2</b>	<b>18,800</b>
<b>MANUFACTURING</b> .....	<b>57,400</b>	<b>59,700</b>	<b>-2,300</b>	<b>-3.9</b>	<b>61,500</b>
Durable Goods.....	47,500	49,700	-2,200	-4.4	51,300
Non-Durable Goods.....	9,900	10,000	-100	-1.0	10,200
<b>SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES</b> .....	<b>435,900</b>	<b>504,000</b>	<b>-68,100</b>	<b>-13.5</b>	<b>499,500</b>
<b>TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, UTILITIES</b> ....	<b>76,800</b>	<b>89,300</b>	<b>-12,500</b>	<b>-14.0</b>	<b>91,100</b>
Wholesale Trade.....	16,900	17,800	-900	-5.1	17,500
Retail Trade.....	43,100	52,900	-9,800	-18.5	52,400
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities....	16,800	18,600	-1,800	-9.7	21,200
Transportation and Warehousing.....	16,000	17,800	-1,800	-10.1	20,400
<b>INFORMATION</b> .....	<b>9,300</b>	<b>9,700</b>	<b>-400</b>	<b>-4.1</b>	<b>9,800</b>
<b>FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES</b> .....	<b>55,200</b>	<b>56,000</b>	<b>-800</b>	<b>-1.4</b>	<b>56,800</b>
Depository Credit Institutions.....	5,400	5,700	-300	-5.3	5,500
Insurance Carriers & Related Activities....	38,700	38,600	100	0.3	38,800
<b>PROFESSIONAL &amp; BUSINESS SERVICES</b>	<b>66,800</b>	<b>73,400</b>	<b>-6,600</b>	<b>-9.0</b>	<b>73,500</b>
Professional, Scientific.....	33,200	34,300	-1,100	-3.2	35,200
Management of Companies.....	12,100	12,000	100	0.8	12,700
Administrative and Support.....	21,500	27,100	-5,600	-20.7	25,600
<b>EDUCATION AND HEALTH SERVICES</b> ....	<b>97,900</b>	<b>110,400</b>	<b>-12,500</b>	<b>-11.3</b>	<b>110,500</b>
Educational Services.....	13,200	14,400	-1,200	-8.3	13,500
Health Care and Social Assistance.....	84,700	96,000	-11,300	-11.8	97,000
Ambulatory Health Care.....	25,800	32,700	-6,900	-21.1	33,000
<b>LEISURE AND HOSPITALITY</b> .....	<b>23,300</b>	<b>48,100</b>	<b>-24,800</b>	<b>-51.6</b>	<b>39,900</b>
Accommodation and Food Services.....	21,300	40,600	-19,300	-47.5	35,200
<b>OTHER SERVICES</b> .....	<b>15,700</b>	<b>22,700</b>	<b>-7,000</b>	<b>-30.8</b>	<b>23,400</b>
<b>GOVERNMENT</b> .....	<b>90,900</b>	<b>94,400</b>	<b>-3,500</b>	<b>-3.7</b>	<b>94,500</b>
Federal.....	5,400	5,300	100	1.9	5,400
State & Local.....	85,500	89,100	-3,600	-4.0	89,100

**SEASONALLY ADJUSTED TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT**

Labor Market Areas	Apr 2020	Apr 2019	CHANGE		Mar 2020
			NO.	%	
<b>BRIDGEPORT-STAMFORD LMA</b> .....	<b>331,100</b>	<b>406,900</b>	<b>-75,800</b>	<b>-18.6</b>	<b>401,900</b>
<b>DANBURY LMA</b> .....	<b>63,400</b>	<b>77,900</b>	<b>-14,500</b>	<b>-18.6</b>	<b>76,700</b>
<b>HARTFORD LMA</b> .....	<b>507,600</b>	<b>583,300</b>	<b>-75,700</b>	<b>-13.0</b>	<b>583,100</b>
<b>NEW HAVEN LMA</b> .....	<b>248,600</b>	<b>287,900</b>	<b>-39,300</b>	<b>-13.7</b>	<b>290,000</b>
<b>NORWICH-NEW LONDON LMA</b> .....	<b>93,700</b>	<b>129,400</b>	<b>-35,700</b>	<b>-27.6</b>	<b>127,900</b>
<b>WATERBURY LMA</b> .....	<b>58,000</b>	<b>68,100</b>	<b>-10,100</b>	<b>-14.8</b>	<b>68,000</b>
<b>ENFIELD LMA**</b> .....	<b>37,500</b>	<b>44,400</b>	<b>-6,900</b>	<b>-15.5</b>	<b>43,600</b>
<b>TORRINGTON-NORTHWEST LMA**</b> .....	<b>27,300</b>	<b>33,100</b>	<b>-5,800</b>	<b>-17.5</b>	<b>32,500</b>
<b>DANIELSON-NORTHEAST LMA**</b> .....	<b>22,900</b>	<b>27,100</b>	<b>-4,200</b>	<b>-15.5</b>	<b>26,900</b>

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

## NEW HAVEN LMA



Not Seasonally Adjusted

	Apr 2020	Apr 2019	CHANGE		Mar 2020
			NO.	%	
<b>TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT</b> .....	<b>248,700</b>	<b>289,100</b>	<b>-40,400</b>	<b>-14.0</b>	<b>285,700</b>
<b>TOTAL PRIVATE</b> .....	<b>213,700</b>	<b>252,900</b>	<b>-39,200</b>	<b>-15.5</b>	<b>249,300</b>
<b>GOODS PRODUCING INDUSTRIES</b> .....	<b>31,600</b>	<b>35,100</b>	<b>-3,500</b>	<b>-10.0</b>	<b>33,900</b>
<b>CONSTRUCTION, NAT. RES. &amp; MINING</b> .....	<b>8,500</b>	<b>11,100</b>	<b>-2,600</b>	<b>-23.4</b>	<b>10,400</b>
<b>MANUFACTURING</b> .....	<b>23,100</b>	<b>24,000</b>	<b>-900</b>	<b>-3.8</b>	<b>23,500</b>
Durable Goods.....	17,100	17,600	-500	-2.8	17,500
<b>SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES</b> .....	<b>217,100</b>	<b>254,000</b>	<b>-36,900</b>	<b>-14.5</b>	<b>251,800</b>
<b>TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, UTILITIES</b> .....	<b>43,700</b>	<b>50,400</b>	<b>-6,700</b>	<b>-13.3</b>	<b>52,500</b>
Wholesale Trade.....	11,100	11,300	-200	-1.8	11,100
Retail Trade.....	20,700	28,500	-7,800	-27.4	27,800
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities....	11,900	10,600	1,300	12.3	13,600
<b>INFORMATION</b> .....	<b>3,600</b>	<b>3,700</b>	<b>-100</b>	<b>-2.7</b>	<b>3,600</b>
<b>FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES</b> .....	<b>11,900</b>	<b>11,900</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>12,000</b>
Finance and Insurance.....	8,300	8,300	0	0.0	8,300
<b>PROFESSIONAL &amp; BUSINESS SERVICES</b>	<b>29,200</b>	<b>30,500</b>	<b>-1,300</b>	<b>-4.3</b>	<b>31,600</b>
Administrative and Support.....	14,200	15,800	-1,600	-10.1	15,300
<b>EDUCATION AND HEALTH SERVICES</b> .....	<b>75,000</b>	<b>84,000</b>	<b>-9,000</b>	<b>-10.7</b>	<b>81,500</b>
Educational Services.....	31,800	32,500	-700	-2.2	30,000
Health Care and Social Assistance.....	43,200	51,500	-8,300	-16.1	51,500
<b>LEISURE AND HOSPITALITY</b> .....	<b>11,100</b>	<b>26,000</b>	<b>-14,900</b>	<b>-57.3</b>	<b>23,100</b>
Accommodation and Food Services.....	8,100	21,600	-13,500	-62.5	17,600
<b>OTHER SERVICES</b> .....	<b>7,600</b>	<b>11,300</b>	<b>-3,700</b>	<b>-32.7</b>	<b>11,100</b>
<b>GOVERNMENT</b> .....	<b>35,000</b>	<b>36,200</b>	<b>-1,200</b>	<b>-3.3</b>	<b>36,400</b>
Federal.....	5,000	4,800	200	4.2	5,000
State & Local.....	30,000	31,400	-1,400	-4.5	31,400

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\*Total excludes workers idled due to labor-management disputes. \*\*Value less than 50

## HELP WANTED ONLINE

### Connecticut HWOL: April 2020

Labor Market Area	April 2020 Total Ads	Occupation With Most Ads	Ads	Industry Sector With Most Ads	Ads
Hartford-West Hartford-East Hartford	16,497	Registered Nurses	940	Health Care and Social Assistance	2,872
Bridgeport-Stamford-Norwalk	12,945	Registered Nurses	856	Health Care and Social Assistance	2,618
New Haven	6,494	Registered Nurses	645	Health Care and Social Assistance	1,729
Norwich-New London	2,064	Registered Nurses	188	Health Care and Social Assistance	634
Danbury	1,551	Retail Salespersons	84	Health Care and Social Assistance	330
Waterbury	1,683	Registered Nurses	179	Health Care and Social Assistance	583
Enfield	986	Registered Nurses	55	Health Care and Social Assistance	192
Torrington	556	Registered Nurses	53	Health Care and Social Assistance	196
Danielson-Northeast	340	Registered Nurses	17	Health Care and Social Assistance	94

Source: CT DOL Research Office Analysis of HWOL Data Series

The Conference Board Help Wanted OnLine Data Series (HWOL) measures the number of new, first-time online jobs and jobs reposted from the previous month for over 16,000 Internet job boards, corporate boards and smaller job sites that serve niche markets and smaller geographic areas. The data can be used as a real-time measure of labor demand. For more information go to <https://www1.ctdol.state.ct.us/lmi/hwol.asp>.

**NORWICH-NEW LONDON-  
WESTERLY, CT-RI LMA**

*Not Seasonally Adjusted*

	Apr 2020	Apr 2019	CHANGE		Mar 2020
			NO.	%	
<b>TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT</b> .....	<b>93,300</b>	<b>128,600</b>	<b>-35,300</b>	<b>-27.4</b>	<b>125,500</b>
<b>TOTAL PRIVATE</b> .....	<b>75,500</b>	<b>98,200</b>	<b>-22,700</b>	<b>-23.1</b>	<b>96,000</b>
<b>GOODS PRODUCING INDUSTRIES</b> .....	<b>19,700</b>	<b>22,100</b>	<b>-2,400</b>	<b>-10.9</b>	<b>21,800</b>
<b>CONSTRUCTION, NAT. RES. &amp; MINING</b> ....	<b>3,500</b>	<b>4,300</b>	<b>-800</b>	<b>-18.6</b>	<b>3,900</b>
<b>MANUFACTURING</b> .....	<b>16,200</b>	<b>17,800</b>	<b>-1,600</b>	<b>-9.0</b>	<b>17,900</b>
Durable Goods.....	13,200	14,500	-1,300	-9.0	14,500
Non-Durable Goods.....	3,000	3,300	-300	-9.1	3,400
<b>SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES</b> .....	<b>73,600</b>	<b>106,500</b>	<b>-32,900</b>	<b>-30.9</b>	<b>103,700</b>
<b>TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, UTILITIES</b> ....	<b>18,300</b>	<b>21,500</b>	<b>-3,200</b>	<b>-14.9</b>	<b>22,000</b>
Wholesale Trade.....	2,100	2,300	-200	-8.7	2,300
Retail Trade.....	12,400	15,100	-2,700	-17.9	15,200
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities....	3,800	4,100	-300	-7.3	4,500
<b>INFORMATION</b> .....	<b>1,300</b>	<b>1,300</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>1,300</b>
<b>FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES</b> .....	<b>2,800</b>	<b>2,800</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>2,800</b>
<b>PROFESSIONAL &amp; BUSINESS SERVICES</b>	<b>8,400</b>	<b>9,500</b>	<b>-1,100</b>	<b>-11.6</b>	<b>9,100</b>
<b>EDUCATION AND HEALTH SERVICES</b> ....	<b>16,900</b>	<b>21,300</b>	<b>-4,400</b>	<b>-20.7</b>	<b>20,900</b>
Health Care and Social Assistance.....	15,100	18,300	-3,200	-17.5	18,300
<b>LEISURE AND HOSPITALITY</b> .....	<b>6,000</b>	<b>16,200</b>	<b>-10,200</b>	<b>-63.0</b>	<b>14,700</b>
Accommodation and Food Services.....	5,100	13,800	-8,700	-63.0	12,800
Food Serv., Restaurants, Drinking Places.	4,100	11,800	-7,700	-65.3	10,600
<b>OTHER SERVICES</b> .....	<b>2,100</b>	<b>3,500</b>	<b>-1,400</b>	<b>-40.0</b>	<b>3,400</b>
<b>GOVERNMENT</b> .....	<b>17,800</b>	<b>30,400</b>	<b>-12,600</b>	<b>-41.4</b>	<b>29,500</b>
Federal.....	2,800	2,800	0	0.0	2,800
State & Local**.....	15,000	27,600	-12,600	-45.7	26,700

**WATERBURY LMA**

*Not Seasonally Adjusted*

	Apr 2020	Apr 2019	CHANGE		Mar 2020
			NO.	%	
<b>TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT</b> .....	<b>57,500</b>	<b>68,000</b>	<b>-10,500</b>	<b>-15.4</b>	<b>67,200</b>
<b>TOTAL PRIVATE</b> .....	<b>47,000</b>	<b>57,000</b>	<b>-10,000</b>	<b>-17.5</b>	<b>56,300</b>
<b>GOODS PRODUCING INDUSTRIES</b> .....	<b>8,900</b>	<b>10,500</b>	<b>-1,600</b>	<b>-15.2</b>	<b>10,000</b>
<b>CONSTRUCTION, NAT. RES. &amp; MINING</b> ....	<b>2,400</b>	<b>2,900</b>	<b>-500</b>	<b>-17.2</b>	<b>2,600</b>
<b>MANUFACTURING</b> .....	<b>6,500</b>	<b>7,600</b>	<b>-1,100</b>	<b>-14.5</b>	<b>7,400</b>
<b>SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES</b> .....	<b>48,600</b>	<b>57,500</b>	<b>-8,900</b>	<b>-15.5</b>	<b>57,200</b>
<b>TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, UTILITIES</b> ....	<b>11,200</b>	<b>12,600</b>	<b>-1,400</b>	<b>-11.1</b>	<b>12,600</b>
Wholesale Trade.....	1,700	1,900	-200	-10.5	1,800
Retail Trade.....	7,600	8,600	-1,000	-11.6	8,600
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities....	1,900	2,100	-200	-9.5	2,200
<b>INFORMATION</b> .....	<b>500</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>600</b>
<b>FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES</b> .....	<b>2,100</b>	<b>2,000</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>5.0</b>	<b>2,100</b>
<b>PROFESSIONAL &amp; BUSINESS SERVICES</b>	<b>4,700</b>	<b>5,400</b>	<b>-700</b>	<b>-13.0</b>	<b>5,300</b>
<b>EDUCATION AND HEALTH SERVICES</b> ....	<b>15,000</b>	<b>17,700</b>	<b>-2,700</b>	<b>-15.3</b>	<b>17,700</b>
Health Care and Social Assistance.....	13,200	15,700	-2,500	-15.9	15,700
<b>LEISURE AND HOSPITALITY</b> .....	<b>2,700</b>	<b>5,700</b>	<b>-3,000</b>	<b>-52.6</b>	<b>5,400</b>
<b>OTHER SERVICES</b> .....	<b>1,900</b>	<b>2,600</b>	<b>-700</b>	<b>-26.9</b>	<b>2,600</b>
<b>GOVERNMENT</b> .....	<b>10,500</b>	<b>11,000</b>	<b>-500</b>	<b>-4.5</b>	<b>10,900</b>
Federal.....	500	500	0	0.0	500
State & Local.....	10,000	10,500	-500	-4.8	10,400

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



## SMALLER LMAS\*



Not Seasonally Adjusted

	Apr 2020	Apr 2019	CHANGE		Mar 2020
			NO.	%	
<b>TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT</b>					
ENFIELD LMA.....	37,700	44,700	-7,000	-15.7	43,200
TORRINGTON-NORTHWEST LMA.....	26,900	32,600	-5,700	-17.5	31,600
DANIELSON-NORTHEAST LMA.....	22,800	27,000	-4,200	-15.6	26,500

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

\* State-designated Non-CES areas

## SPRINGFIELD, MA-CT NECTA\*\*

Not Seasonally Adjusted

	Apr 2020	Apr 2019	CHANGE		Mar 2020
			NO.	%	
<b>TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT.....</b>	<b>279,500</b>	<b>340,800</b>	<b>-61,300</b>	<b>-18.0</b>	<b>334,100</b>
<b>TOTAL PRIVATE.....</b>	<b>221,000</b>	<b>277,000</b>	<b>-56,000</b>	<b>-20.2</b>	<b>269,900</b>
<b>GOODS PRODUCING INDUSTRIES.....</b>	<b>34,000</b>	<b>40,800</b>	<b>-6,800</b>	<b>-16.7</b>	<b>39,600</b>
CONSTRUCTION, NAT. RES. & MINING.....	7,400	11,300	-3,900	-34.5	10,500
<b>MANUFACTURING.....</b>	<b>26,600</b>	<b>29,500</b>	<b>-2,900</b>	<b>-9.8</b>	<b>29,100</b>
Durable Goods.....	18,200	19,500	-1,300	-6.7	19,100
Non-Durable Goods.....	8,400	10,000	-1,600	-16.0	10,000
<b>SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES.....</b>	<b>245,500</b>	<b>300,000</b>	<b>-54,500</b>	<b>-18.2</b>	<b>294,500</b>
<b>TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, UTILITIES.....</b>	<b>50,700</b>	<b>58,900</b>	<b>-8,200</b>	<b>-13.9</b>	<b>58,500</b>
Wholesale Trade.....	10,300	11,500	-1,200	-10.4	11,800
Retail Trade.....	28,600	32,900	-4,300	-13.1	32,100
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities.....	11,800	14,500	-2,700	-18.6	14,600
<b>INFORMATION.....</b>	<b>3,000</b>	<b>3,100</b>	<b>-100</b>	<b>-3.2</b>	<b>3,000</b>
<b>FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES.....</b>	<b>16,000</b>	<b>16,200</b>	<b>-200</b>	<b>-1.2</b>	<b>16,200</b>
Finance and Insurance.....	12,600	12,700	-100	-0.8	12,700
Insurance Carriers & Related Activities.....	8,700	8,800	-100	-1.1	8,800
<b>PROFESSIONAL &amp; BUSINESS SERVICES.....</b>	<b>25,300</b>	<b>26,900</b>	<b>-1,600</b>	<b>-5.9</b>	<b>26,000</b>
<b>EDUCATION AND HEALTH SERVICES.....</b>	<b>72,600</b>	<b>84,500</b>	<b>-11,900</b>	<b>-14.1</b>	<b>83,700</b>
Educational Services.....	13,500	16,500	-3,000	-18.2	15,200
Health Care and Social Assistance.....	59,100	68,000	-8,900	-13.1	68,500
<b>LEISURE AND HOSPITALITY.....</b>	<b>10,400</b>	<b>33,600</b>	<b>-23,200</b>	<b>-69.0</b>	<b>30,300</b>
<b>OTHER SERVICES.....</b>	<b>9,000</b>	<b>13,000</b>	<b>-4,000</b>	<b>-30.8</b>	<b>12,600</b>
<b>GOVERNMENT.....</b>	<b>58,500</b>	<b>63,800</b>	<b>-5,300</b>	<b>-8.3</b>	<b>64,200</b>
Federal.....	5,800	5,900	-100	-1.7	5,800
State & Local.....	52,700	57,900	-5,200	-9.0	58,400

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\*\* New England City and Town Area

# LMA LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES

		EMPLOYMENT STATUS		Apr 2020	Apr 2019	CHANGE NO. %		Mar 2020
<i>(Not seasonally adjusted)</i>								
<b>CONNECTICUT</b>	Civilian Labor Force			1,761,800	1,886,400	-124,600	-6.6	1,921,000
	Employed			1,621,100	1,823,800	-202,700	-11.1	1,851,900
	Unemployed			140,700	62,600	78,100	124.8	69,100
	Unemployment Rate			8.0	3.3	4.7	---	3.6
<b>BRIDGEPORT-STAMFORD LMA</b>	Civilian Labor Force			419,800	458,800	-39,000	-8.5	465,700
	Employed			386,500	443,900	-57,400	-12.9	448,700
	Unemployed			33,300	14,900	18,400	123.5	16,900
	Unemployment Rate			7.9	3.3	4.6	---	3.6
<b>DANBURY LMA</b>	Civilian Labor Force			96,700	105,200	-8,500	-8.1	106,900
	Employed			89,100	102,400	-13,300	-13.0	103,500
	Unemployed			7,500	2,800	4,700	167.9	3,400
	Unemployment Rate			7.8	2.7	5.1	---	3.2
<b>DANIELSON-NORTHEAST LMA</b>	Civilian Labor Force			40,600	43,300	-2,700	-6.2	44,300
	Employed			37,300	41,700	-4,400	-10.6	42,600
	Unemployed			3,300	1,600	1,700	106.3	1,700
	Unemployment Rate			8.1	3.7	4.4	---	3.8
<b>ENFIELD LMA</b>	Civilian Labor Force			46,100	50,400	-4,300	-8.5	50,900
	Employed			42,600	48,800	-6,200	-12.7	49,200
	Unemployed			3,600	1,700	1,900	111.8	1,800
	Unemployment Rate			7.7	3.3	4.4	---	3.4
<b>HARTFORD LMA</b>	Civilian Labor Force			595,400	622,300	-26,900	-4.3	636,100
	Employed			550,500	601,000	-50,500	-8.4	613,500
	Unemployed			44,900	21,400	23,500	109.8	22,500
	Unemployment Rate			7.5	3.4	4.1	---	3.5
<b>NEW HAVEN LMA</b>	Civilian Labor Force			306,500	325,300	-18,800	-5.8	331,300
	Employed			284,500	315,000	-30,500	-9.7	320,100
	Unemployed			22,000	10,200	11,800	115.7	11,200
	Unemployment Rate			7.2	3.2	4.0	---	3.4
<b>NORWICH-NEW LONDON LMA</b>	Civilian Labor Force			124,000	140,100	-16,100	-11.5	142,000
	Employed			107,100	135,600	-28,500	-21.0	136,600
	Unemployed			17,000	4,500	12,500	277.8	5,400
	Unemployment Rate			13.7	3.2	10.5	---	3.8
<b>TORRINGTON-NORTHWEST LMA</b>	Civilian Labor Force			43,300	46,100	-2,800	-6.1	47,400
	Employed			40,300	44,700	-4,400	-9.8	45,600
	Unemployed			3,000	1,500	1,500	100.0	1,800
	Unemployment Rate			7.0	3.2	3.8	---	3.7
<b>WATERBURY LMA</b>	Civilian Labor Force			103,600	110,400	-6,800	-6.2	112,400
	Employed			94,400	105,900	-11,500	-10.9	107,200
	Unemployed			9,200	4,600	4,600	100.0	5,200
	Unemployment Rate			8.9	4.1	4.8	---	4.6
<b>UNITED STATES</b>	Civilian Labor Force			155,830,000	162,097,000	-6,267,000	-3.9	162,537,000
	Employed			133,326,000	156,710,000	-23,384,000	-14.9	155,167,000
	Unemployed			22,504,000	5,387,000	17,117,000	317.7	7,370,000
	Unemployment Rate			14.4	3.3	11.1	---	4.5

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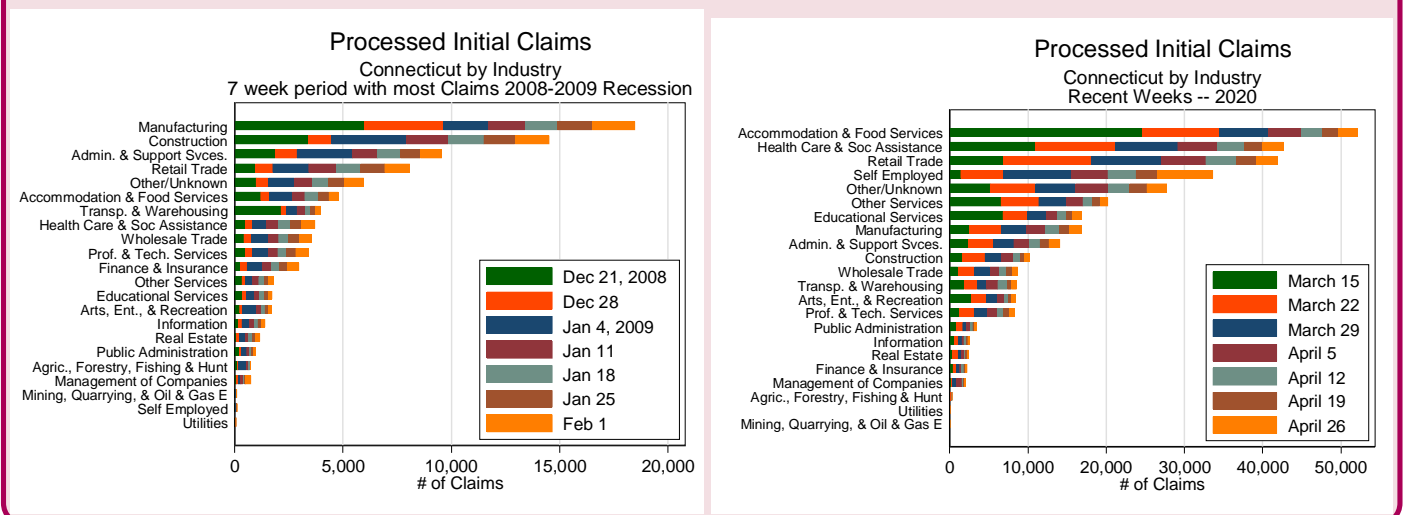
(Not seasonally adjusted)	AVG WEEKLY EARNINGS				AVG WEEKLY HOURS				AVG HOURLY EARNINGS			
	Apr		CHG	Mar	Apr		CHG	Mar	Apr		CHG	Mar
	2020	2019	Y/Y	2020	2020	2019	Y/Y	2020	2020	2019	Y/Y	2020
<b>PRODUCTION WORKER</b>												
<b>MANUFACTURING</b>	\$1,168.00	\$1,140.62	\$27.38	\$1,192.33	39.3	42.8	-3.5	41.3	\$29.72	\$26.65	\$3.07	\$28.87
<b>DURABLE GOODS</b>	1,242.60	1,241.52	1.08	1,288.46	39.1	42.0	-2.9	40.8	31.78	29.56	2.22	31.58
<b>NON-DUR. GOODS</b>	923.82	812.70	111.12	889.01	39.7	45.2	-5.5	42.7	23.27	17.98	5.29	20.82
<b>CONSTRUCTION</b>	1,255.13	1,162.33	92.79	1,289.54	37.5	38.9	-1.4	38.9	33.47	29.88	3.59	33.15
<b>ALL EMPLOYEES</b>												
<b>STATEWIDE</b>												
<b>TOTAL PRIVATE</b>	1,191.25	1,123.02	68.23	1,131.97	33.9	34.0	-0.1	33.5	35.14	33.03	2.11	33.79
<b>GOODS PRODUCING</b>	1,360.46	1,426.98	-66.53	1,404.04	37.1	39.3	-2.2	38.7	36.67	36.31	0.36	36.28
Construction	1,348.05	1,280.16	67.88	1,323.14	35.9	38.1	-2.2	36.4	37.55	33.60	3.95	36.35
Manufacturing	1,399.13	1,500.46	-101.33	1,470.61	37.5	40.4	-2.9	39.8	37.31	37.14	0.17	36.95
<b>SERVICE PROVIDING</b>	1,158.84	1,066.56	92.28	1,084.28	33.3	33.0	0.3	32.6	34.80	32.32	2.48	33.26
Trade, Transp., Utilities	1,057.46	912.49	144.97	987.84	34.4	33.4	1.0	33.6	30.74	27.32	3.42	29.40
Financial Activities	1,893.96	1,754.63	139.33	1,947.44	37.1	36.7	0.4	38.2	51.05	47.81	3.24	50.98
Prof. & Business Serv.	1,313.42	1,260.13	53.28	1,239.95	34.5	34.6	-0.1	34.3	38.07	36.42	1.65	36.15
Education & Health Ser.	991.67	976.80	14.87	970.86	33.3	32.9	0.4	32.7	29.78	29.69	0.09	29.69
Leisure & Hospitality	491.72	460.54	31.17	439.82	24.5	25.6	-1.1	23.8	20.07	17.99	2.08	18.48
Other Services	835.65	752.44	83.22	732.45	30.7	30.5	0.2	29.1	27.22	24.67	2.55	25.17
<b>LABOR MARKET AREAS: TOTAL PRIVATE</b>												
Bridgeport-Stamford	1,271.59	1,209.19	62.40	1,216.39	32.9	34.1	-1.2	33.5	38.65	35.46	3.19	36.31
Danbury	1,113.50	1,114.70	-1.19	1,068.81	33.6	35.9	-2.3	34.5	33.14	31.05	2.09	30.98
Hartford	1,227.26	1,172.01	55.25	1,200.27	34.6	34.4	0.2	34.6	35.47	34.07	1.40	34.69
New Haven	1,108.87	1,070.53	38.34	1,045.81	33.9	34.4	-0.5	32.6	32.71	31.12	1.59	32.08
Norwich-New London	928.41	832.95	95.46	855.19	31.6	30.3	1.3	31.2	29.38	27.49	1.89	27.41
Waterbury	1,000.39	920.30	80.08	964.80	33.9	33.6	0.3	33.5	29.51	27.39	2.12	28.80

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## Unemployment Claims Then and Now

During the weeks with the most initial unemployment claims during the great recession, the industries with the most claimants were Manufacturing, Construction, and Administrative & Support Services. In recent weeks workers in the Accommodation & Food Services, Health Care & Social Assistance, and Retail Trade have filed the most claims.

More details available at <https://www1.ctdol.state.ct.us/lmi/claimsdata.asp>



(By Place of Residence - Not Seasonally Adjusted)

**APRIL 2020**

LMA/TOWNS	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYED	UNEMPLOYED	%	LMA/TOWNS	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYED	UNEMPLOYED	%
<b>BRIDGEPORT-STAMFORD</b>					<b>HARTFORD cont...</b>				
	<b>419,844</b>	<b>386,540</b>	<b>33,304</b>	<b>7.9</b>	Canton	5,448	5,110	338	6.2
Ansonia	8,543	7,577	966	11.3	Chaplin	1,214	1,113	101	8.3
Bridgeport	62,887	56,211	6,676	10.6	Colchester	9,051	8,386	665	7.3
Darien	7,564	7,235	329	4.3	Columbia	3,078	2,882	196	6.4
Derby	6,143	5,531	612	10.0	Coventry	7,494	6,993	501	6.7
Easton	3,411	3,213	198	5.8	Cromwell	7,592	7,083	509	6.7
Fairfield	26,281	24,604	1,677	6.4	East Granby	2,932	2,751	181	6.2
Greenwich	25,599	24,259	1,340	5.2	East Haddam	4,796	4,451	345	7.2
Milford	27,813	25,530	2,283	8.2	East Hampton	7,361	6,900	461	6.3
Monroe	9,061	8,385	676	7.5	East Hartford	26,339	23,736	2,603	9.9
New Canaan	7,351	7,006	345	4.7	Ellington	9,087	8,497	590	6.5
Norwalk	46,348	42,512	3,836	8.3	Farmington	13,514	12,720	794	5.9
Oxford	6,576	6,111	465	7.1	Glastonbury	18,027	17,059	968	5.4
Redding	3,928	3,698	230	5.9	Granby	6,480	6,157	323	5.0
Ridgefield	10,472	9,906	566	5.4	Haddam	4,823	4,530	293	6.1
Seymour	8,226	7,450	776	9.4	Hartford	50,926	45,356	5,570	10.9
Shelton	20,040	18,343	1,697	8.5	Hartland	1,098	1,029	69	6.3
Southbury	7,899	7,297	602	7.6	Harwinton	3,032	2,863	169	5.6
Stamford	63,937	58,819	5,118	8.0	Hebron	5,269	4,950	319	6.1
Stratford	24,866	22,478	2,388	9.6	Lebanon	3,939	3,623	316	8.0
Trumbull	16,045	14,891	1,154	7.2	Manchester	31,916	29,170	2,746	8.6
Weston	3,861	3,635	226	5.9	Mansfield	11,617	11,219	398	3.4
Westport	11,264	10,725	539	4.8	Marlborough	3,406	3,211	195	5.7
Wilton	7,444	7,057	387	5.2	Middletown	24,818	23,039	1,779	7.2
Woodbridge	4,288	4,068	220	5.1	New Britain	35,325	31,868	3,457	9.8
					New Hartford	3,790	3,547	243	6.4
<b>DANBURY</b>	<b>96,651</b>	<b>89,105</b>	<b>7,546</b>	<b>7.8</b>	Newington	16,639	15,328	1,311	7.9
Bethel	9,959	9,107	852	8.6	Plainville	10,158	9,287	871	8.6
Bridgewater	757	703	54	7.1	Plymouth	6,386	5,826	560	8.8
Brookfield	8,445	7,784	661	7.8	Portland	5,228	4,873	355	6.8
Danbury	42,821	39,488	3,333	7.8	Rocky Hill	11,131	10,427	704	6.3
New Fairfield	6,420	5,941	479	7.5	Scotland	921	859	62	6.7
New Milford	13,909	12,688	1,221	8.8	Simsbury	12,975	12,303	672	5.2
Newtown	12,663	11,830	833	6.6	Southington	23,672	21,972	1,700	7.2
Sherman	1,677	1,564	113	6.7	South Windsor	13,708	12,811	897	6.5
					Stafford	6,599	6,097	502	7.6
<b>ENFIELD</b>	<b>46,114</b>	<b>42,552</b>	<b>3,562</b>	<b>7.7</b>	Thomaston	4,533	4,197	336	7.4
East Windsor	6,023	5,545	478	7.9	Tolland	8,154	7,677	477	5.8
Enfield	21,423	19,729	1,694	7.9	Union	441	416	25	5.7
Somers	4,627	4,285	342	7.4	Vernon	16,851	15,444	1,407	8.3
Suffield	6,945	6,516	429	6.2	West Hartford	32,792	30,932	1,860	5.7
Windsor Locks	7,096	6,478	618	8.7	Wethersfield	13,518	12,483	1,035	7.7
					Willington	3,486	3,272	214	6.1
<b>HARTFORD</b>	<b>595,410</b>	<b>550,475</b>	<b>44,935</b>	<b>7.5</b>	Windham	11,801	10,852	949	8.0
Andover	1,863	1,728	135	7.2	Windsor	15,807	14,690	1,117	7.1
Ashford	2,470	2,298	172	7.0					
Avon	8,917	8,461	456	5.1					
Barkhamsted	2,186	2,041	145	6.6					
Berlin	11,243	10,505	738	6.6					
Bloomfield	11,216	10,450	766	6.8					
Bolton	3,010	2,838	172	5.7					
Bristol	31,926	29,077	2,849	8.9					
Burlington	5,405	5,087	318	5.9					

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**LABOR FORCE CONCEPTS**

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

The **employed** are all persons who did any work as paid employees or in their own business during the survey week, or who have worked 15 hours or more as unpaid workers in an enterprise operated by a family member. Persons temporarily absent from a job because of illness, bad weather, strike or for personal reasons are also counted as employed whether they were paid by their employer or were seeking other jobs.

The **unemployed** are all persons who did not work, but were available for work during the survey week (except for temporary illness) and made specific efforts to find a job in the prior four weeks. Persons waiting to be recalled to a job from which they had been laid off need not be looking for work to be classified as unemployed.

# LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES BY TOWN

Town

(By Place of Residence - Not Seasonally Adjusted)

APRIL 2020

LMA/TOWNS	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYED	UNEMPLOYED	%	LMA/TOWNS	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYED	UNEMPLOYED	%
<b>NEW HAVEN</b>	<b>306,495</b>	<b>284,544</b>	<b>21,951</b>	<b>7.2</b>	<b>TORRINGTON-NORTHWEST</b>				
Bethany	2,920	2,749	171	5.9	Canaan	43,315	40,271	3,044	7.0
Branford	15,351	14,133	1,218	7.9	Colebrook	581	550	31	5.3
Cheshire	14,724	13,888	836	5.7	Cornwall	759	713	46	6.1
Chester	2,226	2,074	152	6.8	Goshen	700	660	40	5.7
Clinton	6,968	6,424	544	7.8	Kent	1,494	1,405	89	6.0
Deep River	2,705	2,526	179	6.6	Litchfield	1,356	1,282	74	5.5
Durham	4,012	3,796	216	5.4	Morris	4,354	4,091	263	6.0
East Haven	15,102	13,717	1,385	9.2	Norfolk	1,292	1,212	80	6.2
Essex	3,227	3,019	208	6.4	North Canaan	821	773	48	5.8
Guilford	12,113	11,456	657	5.4	Roxbury	1,606	1,496	110	6.8
Hamden	33,053	30,994	2,059	6.2	Salisbury	1,196	1,142	54	4.5
Killingworth	3,566	3,377	189	5.3	Sharon	1,626	1,559	67	4.1
Madison	8,492	8,036	456	5.4	Torrington	1,339	1,282	57	4.3
Meriden	30,378	27,741	2,637	8.7	Warren	17,906	16,399	1,507	8.4
Middlefield	2,392	2,220	172	7.2	Washington	716	677	39	5.4
New Haven	59,998	55,857	4,141	6.9	Winchester	1,868	1,768	100	5.4
North Branford	7,746	7,219	527	6.8		5,701	5,262	439	7.7
North Haven	12,714	11,793	921	7.2	<b>WATERBURY</b>				
Old Saybrook	4,842	4,486	356	7.4	Beacon Falls	103,609	94,370	9,239	8.9
Orange	6,919	6,466	453	6.5	Bethlehem	3,288	3,035	253	7.7
Wallingford	24,891	23,085	1,806	7.3	Middlebury	1,800	1,674	126	7.0
West Haven	28,665	26,262	2,403	8.4	Naugatuck	3,673	3,413	260	7.1
Westbrook	3,487	3,223	264	7.6	Prospect	16,131	14,718	1,413	8.8
<b>*NORWICH-NEW LONDON-WESTERLY, CT PART</b>					Waterbury	5,209	4,880	329	6.3
	<b>109,725</b>	<b>95,937</b>	<b>13,788</b>	<b>12.6</b>	Watertown	47,085	42,165	4,920	10.4
Bozrah	1,215	1,097	118	9.7	Wolcott	12,054	11,142	912	7.6
Canterbury	2,458	2,235	223	9.1	Woodbury	9,231	8,560	671	7.3
East Lyme	7,260	6,598	662	9.1		5,138	4,783	355	6.9
Franklin	903	821	82	9.1	<b>DANIELSON-NORTHEAST</b>				
Griswold	5,482	4,764	718	13.1		<b>40,606</b>	<b>37,313</b>	<b>3,293</b>	<b>8.1</b>
Groton	15,784	14,035	1,749	11.1	Brooklyn	3,874	3,566	308	8.0
Ledyard	6,994	6,119	875	12.5	Eastford	930	870	60	6.5
Lisbon	2,011	1,790	221	11.0	Hampton	975	918	57	5.8
Lyme	988	936	52	5.3	Killingly	9,015	8,264	751	8.3
Montville	8,188	6,994	1,194	14.6	Plainfield	8,232	7,431	801	9.7
New London	10,642	9,045	1,597	15.0	Pomfret	2,317	2,192	125	5.4
No. Stonington	2,474	2,256	218	8.8	Putnam	4,536	4,145	391	8.6
Norwich	18,730	15,301	3,429	18.3	Sterling	1,897	1,737	160	8.4
Old Lyme	3,112	2,872	240	7.7	Thompson	4,927	4,571	356	7.2
Preston	2,114	1,846	268	12.7	Woodstock	3,905	3,619	286	7.3
Salem	1,800	1,634	166	9.2					
Sprague	1,392	1,220	172	12.4					
Stonington	8,262	7,505	757	9.2					
Voluntown	1,264	1,127	137	10.8					
Waterford	8,652	7,743	909	10.5					

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

<b>NORWICH-NEW LONDON-WESTERLY, CT-RI</b>				
	<b>124,014</b>	<b>107,057</b>	<b>16,957</b>	<b>13.7</b>
RI part (Hopkinton and Westerly)	14,289	11,120	3,169	22.2

<b>Not Seasonally Adjusted:</b>				
CONNECTICUT	1,761,800	1,621,100	140,700	8.0
UNITED STATES	155,830,000	133,326,000	22,504,000	14.4
<b>Seasonally Adjusted:</b>				
CONNECTICUT	1,788,400	1,647,700	140,700	7.9
UNITED STATES	156,481,000	133,403,000	23,078,000	14.7

## LABOR FORCE CONCEPTS (Continued)

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

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

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

TOWN	APR 2020	YR TO DATE 2020	YR TO DATE 2019	TOWN	APR 2020	YR TO DATE 2020	YR TO DATE 2019	TOWN	APR 2020	YR TO DATE 2020	YR TO DATE 2019
Andover	0	1	1	Griswold	0	6	5	Preston	3	6	7
Ansonia	na	na	na	Groton	na	na	na	Prospect	3	7	4
Ashford	na	na	na	Guilford	na	na	na	Putnam	na	na	na
Avon	1	3	5	Haddam	0	2	1	Redding	0	0	0
Barkhamsted	na	na	na	Hamden	na	na	na	Ridgefield	0	1	40
Beacon Falls	na	na	na	Hampton	na	na	na	Rocky Hill	1	4	4
Berlin	1	4	2	Hartford	1	3	2	Roxbury	na	na	na
Bethany	na	na	na	Hartland	0	0	1	Salem	na	na	na
Bethel	4	22	17	Harwinton	na	na	na	Salisbury	na	na	na
Bethlehem	na	na	na	Hebron	1	4	4	Scotland	na	na	na
Bloomfield	1	8	0	Kent	0	3	1	Seymour	na	na	na
Bolton	0	0	0	Killingly	na	na	na	Sharon	na	na	na
Bozrah	na	na	na	Killingworth	2	2	2	Shelton	0	74	18
Branford	0	8	8	Lebanon	2	5	1	Sherman	0	0	1
Bridgeport	3	8	9	Ledyard	na	na	na	Simsbury	5	53	2
Bridgewater	0	0	0	Lisbon	na	na	na	Somers	0	1	4
Bristol	5	14	19	Litchfield	na	na	na	South Windsor	2	15	104
Brookfield	0	2	3	Lyme	1	1	0	Southbury	na	na	na
Brooklyn	5	8	6	Madison	na	na	na	Southington	5	20	31
Burlington	1	14	9	Manchester	1	18	11	Sprague	0	0	0
Canaan	na	na	na	Mansfield	0	0	3	Stafford	1	1	2
Canterbury	na	na	na	Marlborough	0	0	0	Stamford	6	49	349
Canton	1	5	2	Meriden	na	na	na	Sterling	na	na	na
Chaplin	na	na	na	Middlebury	na	na	na	Stonington	na	na	na
Cheshire	1	5	4	Middlefield	1	2	1	Stratford	3	13	45
Chester	0	0	1	Middletown	0	4	5	Suffield	3	6	20
Clinton	1	6	7	Milford	7	50	58	Thomaston	na	na	na
Colchester	0	9	5	Monroe	2	2	3	Thompson	na	na	na
Colebrook	na	na	na	Montville	na	na	na	Tolland	0	2	11
Columbia	0	1	0	Morris	na	na	na	Torrington	na	na	na
Cornwall	na	na	na	Naugatuck	na	na	na	Trumbull	0	1	1
Coventry	0	6	7	New Britain	0	1	5	Union	0	0	0
Cromwell	1	3	3	New Canaan	3	4	2	Vernon	1	24	31
Danbury	13	40	30	New Fairfield	0	1	0	Voluntown	0	1	1
Darien	2	7	19	New Hartford	na	na	na	Wallingford	1	6	6
Deep River	1	1	0	New Haven	44	381	198	Warren	na	na	na
Derby	na	na	na	New London	1	10	11	Washington	na	na	na
Durham	0	0	0	New Milford	na	na	na	Waterbury	0	5	2
East Granby	1	1	0	Newington	0	2	0	Waterford	na	na	na
East Haddam	1	2	4	Newtown	12	21	5	Watertown	na	na	na
East Hampton	1	5	5	Norfolk	na	na	na	West Hartford	6	27	24
East Hartford	0	2	3	North Branford	na	na	na	West Haven	na	na	na
East Haven	na	na	na	North Canaan	na	na	na	Westbrook	1	3	1
East Lyme	0	31	8	North Haven	na	na	na	Weston	0	3	2
East Windsor	0	12	8	North Stonington	na	na	na	Westport	0	8	25
Eastford	na	na	na	Norwalk	6	8	3	Wethersfield	1	1	2
Easton	1	3	1	Norwich	1	1	6	Willington	0	1	0
Ellington	2	32	31	Old Lyme	na	na	na	Wilton	0	1	2
Enfield	5	22	17	Old Saybrook	1	5	4	Winchester	na	na	na
Essex	0	2	3	Orange	na	na	na	Windham	1	2	0
Fairfield	4	109	33	Oxford	1	8	10	Windsor	1	4	4
Farmington	0	5	30	Plainfield	na	na	na	Windsor Locks	0	0	17
Franklin	na	na	na	Plainville	1	3	4	Wolcott	1	6	12
Glastonbury	4	12	10	Plymouth	na	na	na	Woodbridge	na	na	na
Goshen	na	na	na	Pomfret	na	na	na	Woodbury	12	14	0
Granby	1	29	9	Portland	0	2	1	Woodstock	na	na	na
Greenwich	6	18	74								

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.....	1.5	<b>CT Mfg. Production Index</b> .....	-7.9	<b>Tourism and Travel</b>	
Coincident General Drift Indicator..	0.6	Production Worker Hours.....	-12.5	Occupancy Rate.....	-62.4
Liberty Bank Business Barometer..	0.2	Industrial Electricity Sales.....	-7.6	Tourism Website Visitors.....	-23.8
Connecticut Real GDP.....	2.1	<b>Personal Income</b> .....	4.4	Air Passenger Count.....	-49.8
United States Real GDP.....	2.3	<b>UI Covered Wages</b> .....	1.8	Gaming Slots.....	-100.0
New England Real GDP.....	2.5	<b>Business Activity</b>		<b>Employment Cost Index (U.S.)</b>	
Connecticut PCPI.....	2.5	New Housing Permits.....	-44.4	Total.....	2.8
United States PCPI.....	3.6	Electricity Sales.....	-9.6	Wages & Salaries.....	3.3
New England PCPI.....	3.3	Construction Contracts Index..	-29.8	Benefit Costs.....	1.6
Phil. Fed's CT Coincident Index.....	-13.4	New Auto Registrations.....	-37.5	<b>Consumer Prices</b>	
Phil. Fed's US Coincident Index.....	-12.4	Exports.....	-5.2	U.S. City Average.....	0.3
<b>Total Nonfarm Employment</b> .....	-16.4	S&P 500: Monthly Close.....	-1.1	Northeast Region.....	0.8
Labor Force.....	-5.9	<b>Business Starts</b>		NY-Newark-Jersey City.....	1.1
Employed.....	-10.0	Secretary of the State.....	-34.3	Boston-Cambridge-Newton...	1.8
Unemployed.....	101.3	Dept. of Labor.....	-5.6	<b>Interest Rates</b>	
<b>Unemployment Rate</b> .....	4.2 *	<b>Business Terminations</b>		Prime.....	-2.25 *
Labor Force Participation Rate...	-3.9 *	Secretary of the State.....	-60.9	Conventional Mortgage.....	-0.83 *
Employment-Population Ratio...	-6.4 *	Dept. of Labor.....	-3.1		
<b>Average Weekly Initial Claims</b> ..	963.0	<b>State Revenues</b> .....	-53.8		
<b>Avg Insured Unempl. Rate</b> .....	14.65 *	Corporate Tax.....	-68.6		
<b>U-6 Rate</b> .....	-0.7 *	Personal Income Tax.....	-62.0		
<b>Prod. Worker Avg Wkly Hrs</b> .....	-8.2	Real Estate Conveyance Tax..	-63.8		
<b>PW Avg Hourly Earnings</b> .....	11.5	Sales & Use Tax.....	-27.6		
<b>PW Avg Weekly Earnings</b> .....	2.4	Gaming Payments.....	-100.0		

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

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