



# Bangor, ME

## Selected Indicators

This fact sheet presents recent **employment and unemployment** figures for the Bangor Metropolitan Statistical Area, The State of Maine, and the United States. The **Consumer Price Index (CPI)** measures price changes or inflation for particular commodities and services at the retail level. The **Producer Price Index (PPI)** measures price changes or inflation for particular commodities and services at the wholesale level and is widely used by business firms as an escalator in long-term contracts. The **Employment Cost Index (ECI)** measures price changes or inflation of labor costs which includes wages and salaries and employer costs for employee benefits.

Consumer Price Index, all items (not seasonally adjusted)			
Consumer Price Index (1982-84=100)	Feb 2008	Feb 2009	Percent change
<b>All Urban Consumers</b>			
U.S. City Average	211.693	212.193	0.2%
Northeast Region	225.213	226.754	0.7%
<b>Urban Wage Earners &amp; Clerical Workers</b>			
U.S. City Average	207.254	206.708	-0.3%
Northeast Region	221.702	222.945	0.6%

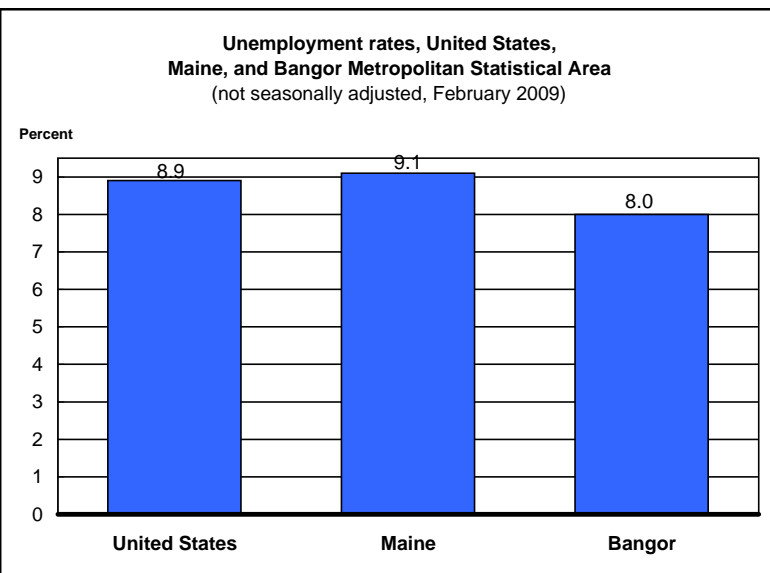
Producer Price Index, U.S. (1982=100)			
	Feb 2008	Feb 2009	Percent change
Finished goods	172.3	170.1	-1.3%
All commodities	182.7	169.5	-7.2%
Industrial commodities	184.6	170.9	-7.4%

Most recent data for the PPI are subject to revision for four months.

## Unemployment levels, age 16 years and over (not seasonally adjusted, in thousands)

Area	Numbers in thousands	Feb 2008	Feb 2009	Net change	Percent change
United States		7,953	13,699	5,746	72.2%
Maine		38,406	63,303	24,897	64.8%
Bangor, ME		3,760	5,771	2,011	53.5%

Most recent data for unemployment are preliminary.



Employment Cost Index (December 2005=100)	Private Industry Workers	Dec 2007	Dec 2008	Percent change
<b>Total Compensation</b>				
United States		106.3	108.9	2.4%
Northeast		106.8	109.5	2.5%
New England		106.1	109.5	3.2%
<b>Wages and Salaries</b>				
U.S. City Average		106.6	109.4	2.6%
Northeast		106.6	109.6	2.8%
New England		106.3	110.3	3.8%

Occupational Wages (selected occupations)	Mean hourly wage (May 2007)
<b>Bangor, ME</b>	
Education, training, and library	\$20.58
Healthcare practitioner and technical	\$33.11
Food preparation and serving related	\$9.27
Sales and related	\$14.04
Office and administrative support	\$13.26
Construction and extraction	\$16.41
Installation, maintenance, and repair	\$17.15
Production	\$12.74
Transportation and material moving	\$15.19

## Nonfarm payroll employment (not seasonally adjusted, in thousands)

Area	Feb 2008	Feb 2009	Net change	Percent change
United States	136,356	132,130	-4,226	-3.1%
Maine	600.1	584.2	-15.9	-2.6%
Bangor, ME	66.3	65.0	-1.3	-2.0%

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## Bangor MSA Payroll Employment by major industry sector (not seasonally adjusted, in thousands)

Area	Feb 2008	Feb 2009	Net change	Percent change
Total nonfarm	66.3	65.0	-1.3	-2.0%
Construction	2.6	2.4	-0.2	-7.7%
Manufacturing	3.1	3.2	0.1	3.2%
Trade, transportation, and utilities	15.2	14.6	-0.6	-3.9%
Financial activities	2.3	2.3	0.0	0.0%
Professional and business services	5.8	5.6	-0.2	-3.4%
Education and health services	14.2	13.6	-0.6	-4.2%
Government	14.2	14.1	-0.1	-0.7%

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Note: Total includes industries not shown separately.

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