

Selected BLS Economic Indicators

Syracuse



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This fact sheet presents recent **employment and unemployment** figures for the Syracuse Metropolitan Statistical Area, New York State, 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.

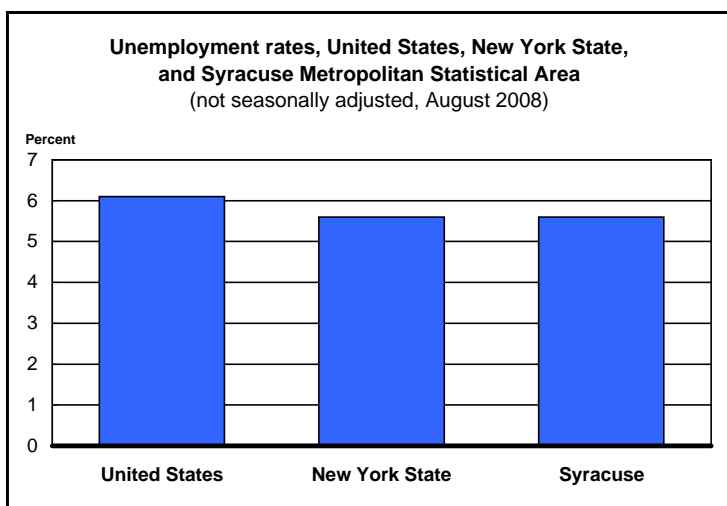
Consumer Price Index (1982-84) = 100	Aug. 2007	Aug. 2008	Percent change
All Urban Consumers (CPI-U)			
U.S. City Average	207.917	219.086	5.4
Northeast	221.559	233.788	5.5
Urban Wage Earners & Clerical Workers			
U.S. City Average	203.199	215.247	5.9
Northeast	217.379	230.790	6.2
Producer Price Index, U.S. (1982 = 100)	Aug. 2007	Aug. 2008^(p)	Percent change
Finished goods	166.1	182.1	9.6
All commodities	172.4	199.9	16.0
Industrial commodities	174.9	203.5	16.4

p = preliminary

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

Area	Aug. 2007	Aug. 2008 ^(p)	Net change	Percent change
United States	7,088.0	9,479.0	2,391.0	33.7
New York State	431.6	543.6	112.0	25.9
Syracuse	13.0	18.9	5.9	45.4

p = preliminary



Employment Cost Index (December 2005) = 100	June 2007	June 2008	Percent change
Total Compensation-Private Industry			
United States	104.9	108.0	3.0
Northeast	105.1	108.1	2.9
Occupational wages (selected occupations)	Mean hourly wage (May 2007)		
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Education, training, and library	\$ 24.83		
Healthcare practitioner and technical	29.83		
Food preparation and serving related	9.35		
Sales and related	16.58		
Office and administrative support	14.66		
Construction and extraction	19.70		
Installation, maintenance, and repair	18.81		
Production	14.11		
Transportation and material moving	14.56		

Nonfarm payroll employment (not seasonally adjusted, in thousands)

Area	Aug. 2007	Aug. 2008 ^(p)	Net change	Percent change
United States	137,524.0	137,121.0	-403.0	-0.3
New York State	8,716.2	8,755.9	39.7	0.5
Syracuse	323.6	322.9	-0.7	-0.2

p = preliminary

Syracuse MSA payroll employment by major industry sector (not seasonally adjusted, in thousands)

Industry	Aug. 2007	Aug. 2008 ^(p)
Total nonfarm	323.6	322.9
Natural resources, mining and construction	14.7	14.8
Manufacturing	32.9	32.3
Trade, transportation and utilities	66.1	65.6
Professional and business services	36.4	36.5
Financial activities	18.5	18.4
Education and health services	53.4	54.0
Government	55.3	55.0

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Note: Total includes industries not shown separately.

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The **Syracuse Metropolitan Statistical Area** comprises Madison, Onondaga, and Oswego Counties. The **Northeast Census Region** comprises Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island and Vermont.

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