

This fact sheet presents recent **employment and unemployment** figures for the Edison-New Brunswick Metropolitan Division, New Jersey, and the United States. In addition, pay indexes for the larger metropolitan area that includes Edison-New Brunswick are shown. 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 include wages and salaries and employer costs for employee benefits. The **Occupational Employment Statistics (OES)** program estimates occupational employment and wages for 22 major occupational groups and 801 detailed occupations in every state and metropolitan area. Data are not seasonally adjusted.

### Consumer Price Indexes (1982-84 = 100)

Index and area	July 2011	July 2012	Percent change
<b>All Urban Consumers</b>			
U.S. City Average	225.922	229.104	1.4
Northeast	242.282	244.984	1.1
New York-Northern N.J.-Long Island	249.164	252.016	1.1
<b>Urban Wage Earners &amp; Clerical Workers</b>			
U.S. City Average	222.686	225.568	1.3
Northeast	240.707	243.422	1.1
New York-Northern N.J.-Long Island	245.265	248.162	1.2

### Employment Cost Indexes, private industry (December 2005 = 100)

Index and area	June 2011	June 2012	Percent change
<b>Total Compensation</b>			
United States	114.3	116.4	1.8
Northeast	115.3	117.1	1.6
New York-Newark-Bridgeport	-	-	1.7
<b>Wages and Salaries</b>			
United States	113.8	115.9	1.8
Northeast	114.6	116.4	1.6
New York-Newark-Bridgeport	-	-	1.7

Note: Dash indicates data not available.

### Producer Price Indexes, United States (1982 = 100)

Index	July 2011	July 2012(p)	Percent change
Finished goods	192.2	193.1	0.5
All commodities	204.6	200.0	-2.2
Industrial commodities	205.9	199.5	-3.1

### Median annual wages in Edison-New Brunswick

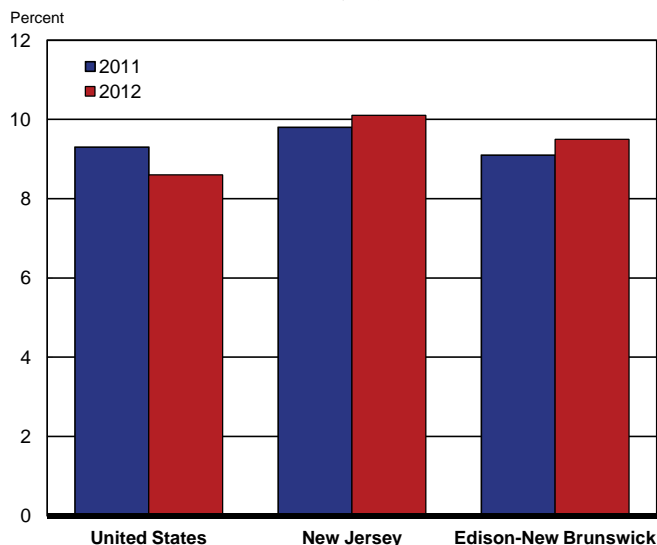
Occupational group	May 2011
All occupations	\$39,560
Office and administrative support	34,130
Sales and related	28,580
Transportation and material moving	28,810
Education, training, and library	53,730
Food preparation and serving related	20,290
Healthcare practitioners and technical	73,500
Management	118,280
Business and financial operations	70,400
Production	31,800

Note: All occupations include groups not shown separately.

### Unemployment levels, age 16 years and over (in thousands)

Area	July 2011	July 2012(p)	Net change	Percent change
United States	14,428	13,400	-1,028.0	-7.1
New Jersey	453.1	470.6	17.6	3.9
Edison-New Brunswick	112.3	117.6	5.3	4.7

### Unemployment rates, United States, New Jersey, and Edison-New Brunswick Metropolitan Division, July 2011 and 2012 (not seasonally adjusted)



### Nonfarm payroll employment (in thousands)

Area	July 2011	July 2012(p)	Net change	Percent change
United States	131,038.0	132,868.0	1,830.0	1.4
New Jersey	3,885.4	3,925.2	39.8	1.0
Edison-New Brunswick	994.0	989.7	-4.3	-0.4

### Payroll employment in Edison-New Brunswick by major industry sector (in thousands)

Industry	July 2011	July 2012(p)	Net change
Total nonfarm	994.0	989.7	-4.3
Mining, logging, and construction	37.0	35.1	-1.9
Manufacturing	60.0	58.4	-1.6
Trade, transportation and utilities	216.7	215.9	-0.8
Information	25.1	24.5	-0.6
Financial activities	57.0	56.1	-0.9
Professional and business services	174.9	174.0	-0.9
Education and health services	147.5	148.6	1.1
Leisure and hospitality	96.4	103.5	7.1
Other services	44.1	46.3	2.2
Government	135.3	127.3	-8.0

p = preliminary

Note: Total includes industries not shown separately.

The **Edison-New Brunswick Metropolitan Division** comprises Middlesex, Monmouth, Ocean, and Somerset Counties in New Jersey. The **Northeast Census Region** comprises Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, and Vermont.