

This fact sheet presents recent **employment and unemployment** figures for the Atlantic City-Hammonton Metropolitan Statistical Area, New Jersey, and the United States. In addition, pay indexes for the larger metropolitan area that includes Atlantic City 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	Dec. 2011	Dec. 2012	Percent change
<b>All Urban Consumers</b>			
U.S. City Average	225.672	229.601	1.7
Northeast	241.987	246.456	1.8
Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City	234.312	238.492	1.8
<b>Urban Wage Earners &amp; Clerical Workers</b>			
U.S. City Average	222.166	225.889	1.7
Northeast	240.431	244.664	1.8
Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City	235.194	239.452	1.8

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

Index and area	Dec. 2011	Dec. 2012	Percent change
<b>Total Compensation</b>			
United States	115.0	117.2	1.9
Northeast	116.1	117.9	1.6
<b>Wages and Salaries</b>			
United States	114.6	116.6	1.7
Northeast	115.3	117	1.5

Note: Dash indicates data not available.

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

Index	Dec. 2011	Dec. 2012(p)	Percent change
Finished goods	191.1	193.6	1.3
All commodities	199.8	201.5	0.9
Industrial commodities	200.6	200.4	-0.1

### Median annual wages in Atlantic City-Hammonton

Occupational group	May 2011
All occupations	\$31,800
Food preparation and serving related	22,230
Office and administrative support	32,370
Sales and related	23,190
Personal care and service	19,070
Education, training, and library	53,860
Building and grounds cleaning and maintenance	24,620
Healthcare practitioners and technical	70,310
Transportation and material moving	28,140
Protective service	37,080

Note: All occupations include groups not shown separately.

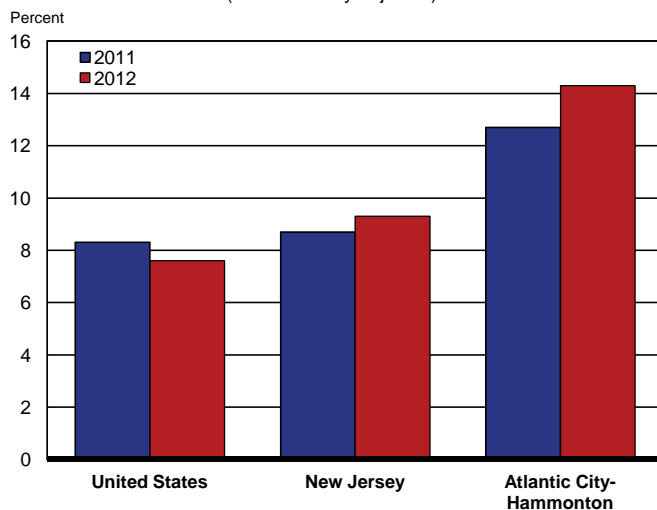
### Unemployment levels, age 16 years and over (in thousands)

Area	Dec. 2011	Dec. 2012(p)	Net change	Percent change
United States	12,692	11,844	-848.0	-6.7
New Jersey	398.9	431.7	32.8	8.2
Atlantic City-Hammonton	17.3	19.9	2.6	15.1

### Nonfarm payroll employment (in thousands)

Area	Dec. 2011	Dec. 2012(p)	Net change	Percent change
United States	132,965.0	134,822.0	1,857.0	1.4
New Jersey	3,910.9	3,958.8	47.9	1.2
Atlantic City-Hammonton	136.6	137.5	0.9	0.7

### Unemployment rates, United States, New Jersey, and Atlantic City-Hammonton Metropolitan Statistical Area, December 2011 and 2012 (not seasonally adjusted)



### Payroll employment in Atlantic City-Hammonton by major industry sector (in thousands)

Industry	Dec. 2011	Dec. 2012(p)	Net change
Total nonfarm	136.6	137.5	0.9
Mining, logging, and construction	5.9	5.6	-0.3
Manufacturing	2.4	2.5	0.1
Trade, transportation and utilities	21.5	22.4	0.9
Information	0.8	0.9	0.1
Financial activities	4.1	4.1	0.0
Professional and business services	9.9	10.1	0.2
Education and health services	18.9	19.3	0.4
Leisure and hospitality	44.5	44.0	-0.5
Other services	4.5	4.6	0.1
Government	24.1	24.0	-0.1

p = preliminary

Note: Total includes industries not shown separately.

The **Atlantic City-Hammonton Metropolitan Statistical Area** consists of Atlantic County. The **Northeast Census Region** comprises Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island and Vermont.