

This fact sheet presents recent **employment and unemployment** figures for the Bangor, ME Metropolitan Statistical Area, 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 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. All 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            |
| <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            |

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

| Index and area            | Sept 2011 | Sept 2012 | Percent change |
|---------------------------|-----------|-----------|----------------|
| <b>Total Compensation</b> |           |           |                |
| United States             | 114.6     | 116.9     | 2.0            |
| Northeast                 | 115.7     | 117.6     | 1.6            |
| New England               | 116.2     | 118.1     | 1.6            |
| <b>Wages and Salaries</b> |           |           |                |
| United States             | 114.3     | 116.4     | 1.8            |
| Northeast                 | 114.9     | 116.7     | 1.6            |
| New England               | 116.0     | 117.8     | 1.6            |

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 Bangor

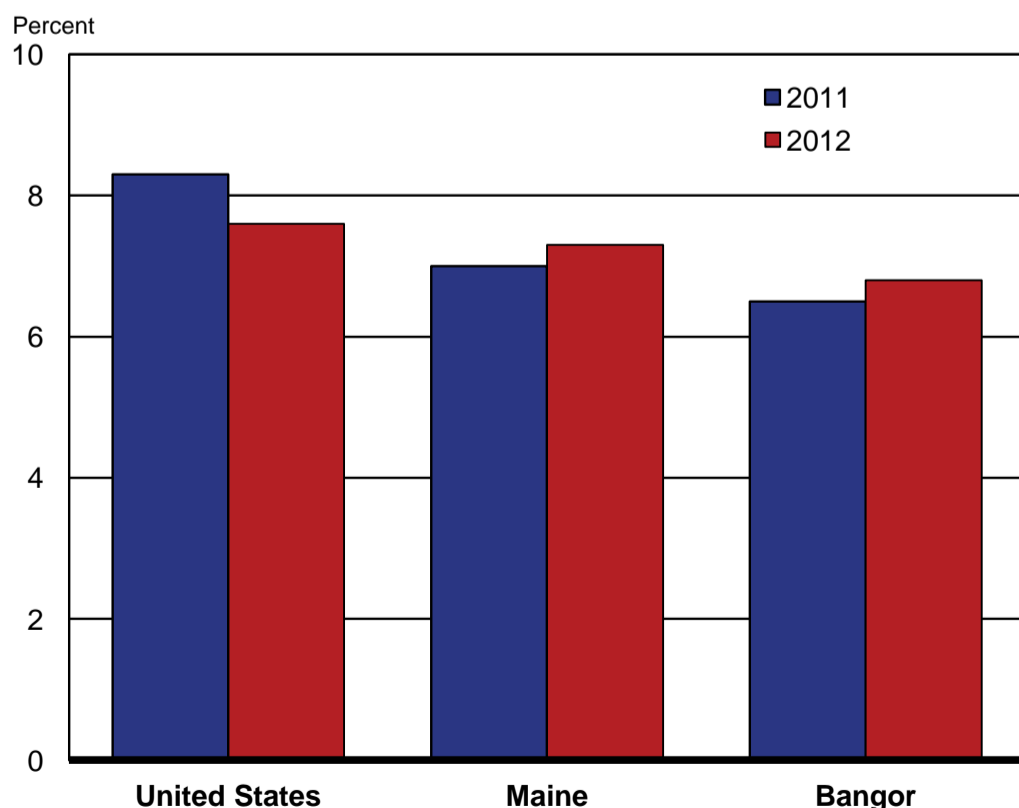
| Occupational group                    | May 2011 |
|---------------------------------------|----------|
| All occupations                       | \$30,840 |
| Management                            | 70,840   |
| Business and financial operations     | 50,080   |
| Computer and mathematical science     | 54,220   |
| Education, training, and library      | 41,880   |
| Healthcare practitioner and technical | 60,160   |
| Food preparation                      | 18,660   |
| Sales and related                     | 22,270   |
| Office and administrative support     | 28,700   |
| Production                            | 30,540   |

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           |
| Maine         | 49.3     | 51.5        | 2.2        | 4.4            |
| Bangor        | 4.7      | 5.0         | 0.2        | 4.9            |

### Unemployment rates, United States, Maine, and Bangor Metropolitan Statistical Area, December 2011 and 2012



### Nonfarm payroll employment (in thousands)

| Area          | Dec 2011 | Dec 2012(p) | Net change | Percent change |
|---------------|----------|-------------|------------|----------------|
| United States | 132,965  | 134,822     | 1,857      | 1.4            |
| Maine         | 595.1    | 594.1       | -1.0       | -0.2           |
| Bangor        | 64.9     | 65.0        | 0.1        | 0.2            |

### Payroll employment in Bangor by major industry sector (in thousands)

| Industry                           | Dec 2011 | Dec 2012(p) | Net change |
|------------------------------------|----------|-------------|------------|
| Total nonfarm                      | 64.9     | 65.0        | 0.1        |
| Construction                       | 2.4      | 2.2         | -0.2       |
| Manufacturing                      | 2.7      | 2.5         | -0.2       |
| Trade transportation and utilities | 15.0     | 14.8        | -0.2       |
| Financial activities               | 2.1      | 2.1         | 0.0        |
| Professional and business services | 5.8      | 5.9         | 0.1        |
| Education and health services      | 14.3     | 14.5        | 0.2        |
| Government                         | 13.8     | 14.4        | 0.6        |

p = preliminary

Note: Total includes industries not shown separately.