

This fact sheet presents recent **employment and unemployment** figures for New Hampshire 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 New Hampshire

Occupational group	May 2011
All occupations	\$35,330
Management	92,010
Business and financial operations	59,450
Computer and mathematical science	75,630
Life, physical, and social science	57,240
Community and social service	37,480
Education, training, and library	42,720
Healthcare practitioner and technical	60,640
Healthcare support	29,140
Food preparation and serving related	19,430
Sales and related occupations	25,590

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 Hampshire	36.4	41.2	4.8	13.1

### 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
New Hampshire	631.0	631.1	0.1	0.0

### Payroll employment in New Hampshire by major industry sector (in thousands)

Industry	Dec 2011	Dec 2012(p)	Net change
Total nonfarm	631.0	631.1	0.1
Construction	22.2	22.0	-0.2
Manufacturing	65.9	66.2	0.3
Trade transportation and utilities	137.0	138.0	1.0
Financial activities	34.4	34.4	0.0
Professional and business services	65.1	66.1	1.0
Education and health services	114.5	112.8	-1.7
Government	96.9	95.3	-1.6

p = preliminary

Note: Total includes industries not shown separately.

### Unemployment rates, United States and New Hampshire, December 2011 and 2012

