

This fact sheet presents recent **employment and unemployment** figures for the Putnam-Rockland-Westchester area, New York, and the United States. In addition, pay indexes for the larger metropolitan area that includes Putnam-Rockland-Westchester 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
All Urban Consumers			
U.S. City Average	225.672	229.601	1.7
Northeast	241.987	246.456	1.8
New York-Northern N.J.-Long Island	248.307	253.555	2.1
Urban Wage Earners & Clerical Workers			
U.S. City Average	222.166	225.889	1.7
Northeast	240.431	244.664	1.8
New York-Northern N.J.-Long Island	244.586	249.535	2.0

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

Index and area	Dec. 2011	Dec. 2012	Percent change
Total Compensation			
United States	115.0	117.2	1.9
Northeast	116.1	117.9	1.6
New York-Newark-Bridgeport	-	-	1.6
Wages and Salaries			
United States	114.6	116.6	1.7
Northeast	115.3	117	1.5
New York-Newark-Bridgeport	-	-	1.4

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 York-White Plains-Wayne

Occupational group	May 2011
All occupations	\$43,710
Office and administrative support	36,900
Sales and related	33,610
Education, training, and library	58,040
Food preparation and serving related	21,510
Business and financial operations	77,440
Management	130,990
Transportation and material moving	33,790
Healthcare practitioners and technical	75,670
Personal care and service	23,060

Note: All occupations include groups not shown separately.

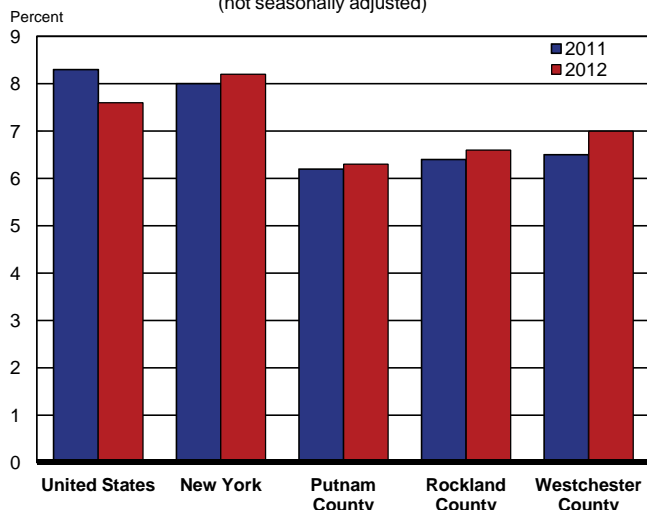
Unemployment levels, age 16 years and over (in thousands)

Area	Dec. 2011	Dec. 2012(p)	Net change	Percent change
United States	12,692	11,844	-848.0	-6.7
New York	759.5	788.1	28.6	7.9
Putnam County	3.3	3.4	0.1	3.9
Rockland County	9.8	10.4	0.5	5.5
Westchester County	30.7	33.2	2.5	8.2

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 York	8,809.2	8,927.5	118.3	1.3
Putnam-Rockland-Westchester	570.0	572.6	2.6	0.5

Unemployment rates, United States, New York, and Putnam, Rockland, and Westchester Counties, December 2011 and 2012 (not seasonally adjusted)



Payroll employment in Putnam-Rockland-Westchester by major industry (in thousands)

Industry	Dec. 2011	Dec. 2012(p)	Net change
Total nonfarm	570.0	572.6	2.6
Mining, logging, and construction	31.1	28.6	-2.5
Manufacturing	24.7	23.8	-0.9
Trade, transportation and utilities	109.9	111.7	1.8
Information	13.6	13.1	-0.5
Financial activities	34.1	34.6	0.5
Professional and business services	72.1	74.3	2.2
Education and health services	121.5	124.3	2.8
Leisure and hospitality	44.1	44.5	0.4
Other services	25.2	25.6	0.4
Government	93.7	92.1	-1.6

p = preliminary

Note: Total includes industries not shown separately.

The Putnam-Rockland-Westchester area comprises Putnam, Rockland, and Westchester Counties. The Northeast Census Region comprises Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island and Vermont.