

Current Employment Statistics

Nonfarm Employment and Earnings Estimates

2002 Preliminary and 2001 Final

based on latest available data

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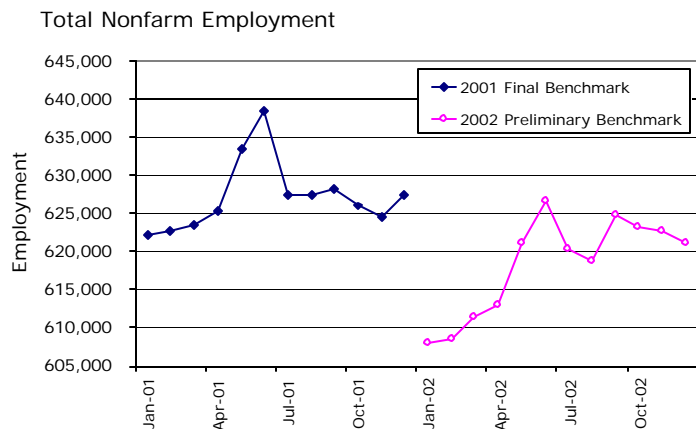
Local Area Unemployment Statistics 2002 Benchmark

a supplement to

Economic Conditions in New Hampshire

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Nonfarm Benchmark Revised Employment Numbers

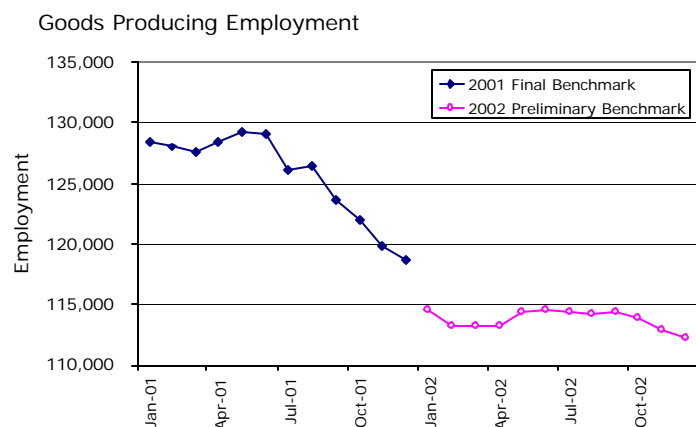


The Current Employment Statistics (CES) program surveys employers to obtain employment data and hours and earnings by place of work. This does not include self-employed, unpaid family workers, or most agricultural workers.

These estimates are benchmarked with employment numbers from the Tax and Wage Quarterly report, submitted by New Hampshire employers. Adjustments are made to the benchmark data to account for employment that is not covered by the unemployment compensation laws. These data for hours, earnings and nonfarm employment are presented in tables to include the final 2001 and preliminary 2002 benchmarks.

Final 2001 is provided in NAICS

Because of definitional differences between the Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) coding system and the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS), the nonfarm numbers by industry did vary slightly in the conversion from SIC to NAICS. Because of this, the numbers from the



preliminary benchmark of 2001 are not compatible with the final benchmark. The industries/sectors were redefined and employment shifted accordingly.

The final 2001 benchmark set total average annual employment at 627,200, up 5,100 from the final benchmark 2000. The private sector increased by 2,800 jobs, while the public sector rose by 2,300 positions. While comparison between industries and sectors is not possible between SIC and NAICS, total employment figures remain compatible.

Preliminary 2002

Preliminary benchmarking of 2002 employment levels estimated nonfarm employment at 618,300. This was a decline of almost 9,000 from final 2001 numbers. Manufacturing was the primary catalyst for this reduction, losing over 12,000 jobs compared to final 2001 benchmark figures. More than 10,000 of those were in Durable goods manufacturing.

Benchmarked Supersectors and Sectors

Natural Resources and Mining

This supersector is available as a result of restructuring to the NAICS coding system. It now includes industries like Logging that used to be included with the Manufacturing division. Preliminary 2002 figures for this supersector showed relative stability with employment at 900, varying only 100 when compared to the final 2001 number.

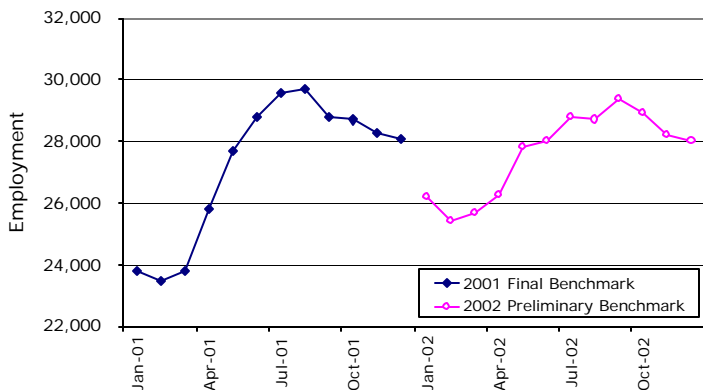
Construction

Generally Construction is sensitive to fluctuations in the economy. In spite of the slowing economy, preliminary benchmarking of 2002 employment in this supersector/sector* showed continued strength with 27,600, growing by 400 from the final 2001 figures. Employment estimates for 2002 were above 28,000 for seven consecutive months starting in June, and peaked in September with 29,400 jobs.

Manufacturing

As previously mentioned, redefinition by NAICS moved some industries into different categories, thus hampering any direct comparison of employment figures from previous years. The final benchmark for 2001 placed Manufacturing employment at 97,400. Employment in the supersector/sector* had started the year over 103,000 and declined steadily hitting a low in December

Construction Employment



This supersector experienced an increase of 1,400 from final benchmarked 2001 employment levels, to 138,700 for preliminary 2002. The primary contributor to this increase was Retail trade with an increase of 1,200.

Wholesale Trade

The employment growth in this sector slowed to a crawl during 2001 and stalled by preliminary 2002 amounts. Although unremarkable, the 100 decline in the sector placed employment at 26,600 in 2002.

Retail Trade

The final 2001 benchmark placed Retail employment at 94,900, demonstrating stable employment among all subsectors during the year, with typical peaks in November and December during the holiday seasons. The preliminary 2002 data showed employment had grown at a slow rate to 96,100, up an estimated 1,200 from final 2001. No single subsector was responsible for the majority of new jobs.

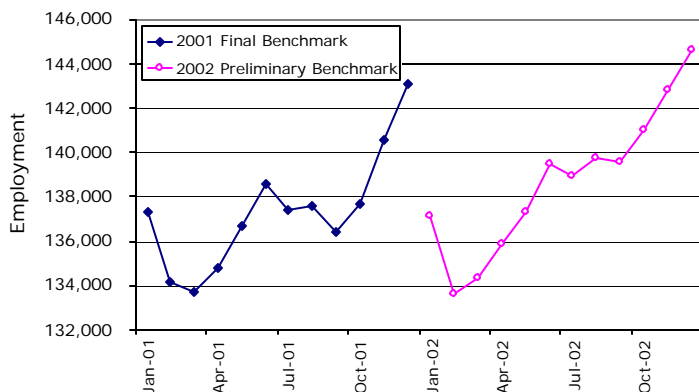
2001 of 89,600. Within Manufacturing, Durable goods manufacturing was the major loser for the year, starting the year with 78,900 and ending at 67,500, for an annual average employment benchmark level of 73,800.

Preliminary 2002 figures revealed the continued decline of Manufacturing employment to 85,200, down 12,200 from the final 2001 benchmark. Again, Durable goods manufacturing was the major force behind the reductions, with almost half of those losses (over 5,000) generated from Computer and electronic product manufacturing.

Trade, Transportation, and Utilities

Reorganization under NAICS combined four sectors under this new supersector. Wholesale and Retail trades, although redefined by NAICS and classified by the clientele they serve as opposed to what they sell, are still combined as part of this supersector. Utilities and Transportation and warehousing, combined were once a major division under SIC. These sectors, also redefined by NAICS, are included in this supersector.

Trade, Transportation, and Utilities Employment

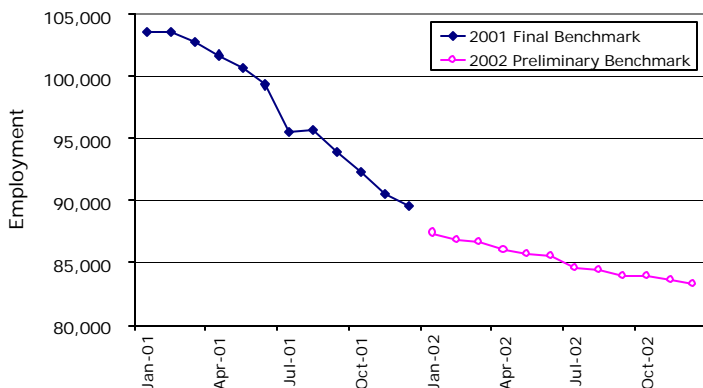


Transportation and Utilities

CES combined these two sectors into one reporting unit. Employment in this group also stayed stable through 2001 resulting in a final benchmark employment level of 15,800. In spite of the slow economy, the preliminary 2002 benchmark employment showed a small increase to 16,000, with minor additions from both Utilities and Transportation and warehousing.

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Manufacturing Employment



New Hampshire Nonfarm Employment by Sector 2002 Preliminary Benchmark

INDUSTRY	Annual Average	Jan
TOTAL NONFARM	618,300	607,900
TOTAL PRIVATE	530,400	521,400
Goods Producing	113,700	114,500
NATURAL RESOURCES & MINING	900	900
CONSTRUCTION	27,600	26,200
Specialty Trade Contractors	17,400	16,500
MANUFACTURING	85,200	87,400
Durable Goods	63,500	65,500
Primary Metal Manufacturing	2,900	2,900
Computer & Electronic Product	20,500	21,000
Semiconductor & Other Electronic Component	8,000	8,200
Navigational, Measuring, Electromedical, & Control Instruments	7,000	7,000
Electrical Equipment, Appliance, & Component	5,500	5,900
Transportation Equipment Manufacturing	2,700	2,900
Miscellaneous Manufacturing	6,000	5,900
Nondurable Goods	21,700	21,900
Food, & Beverage & Tobacco Product Manufacturing	3,500	3,200
Paper Manufacturing	3,100	3,000
Service Providing	504,500	493,400
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, & UTILITIES	138,700	137,100
Wholesale Trade	26,600	26,500
Merchant Wholesalers, Durable Goods	12,400	12,400
Wholesale Electronic Markets, Agents & Brokers	6,900	7,000
Retail Trade	96,100	95,300
Clothing & General Merchandise Stores	22,400	22,600
Food & Beverage Stores	19,300	19,300
Grocery Stores	18,500	18,500
Supermarkets & Other Grocery (ex. Convenience)	17,000	17,100
Health & Personal Care Stores	4,200	4,300
Department Stores	12,700	12,600
Electronic Shopping & Mail-Order	2,900	3,100
Transportation and Utilities	16,000	15,300
Utilities	2,900	2,800
Transportation & Warehouse	13,100	12,500
INFORMATION	12,900	13,400
Newspaper, Periodical, Book, & Directory Publishers	3,800	3,800

*Estimates are not published for all sectors

New Hampshire Nonfarm Employment by Sector 2002 Preliminary Benchmark

Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
608,600	611,400	612,900	621,100	626,600	620,200	618,700	624,800	623,200	622,600	621,200
517,400	519,600	522,300	530,000	538,900	541,100	540,400	534,800	533,200	531,700	533,400
113,200	113,200	113,300	114,400	114,500	114,400	114,200	114,300	113,900	112,800	112,200
900	900	900	900	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	900	900
25,400	25,700	26,300	27,800	28,000	28,800	28,700	29,400	28,900	28,200	28,000
16,000	16,100	16,700	17,700	17,800	18,200	17,800	18,500	18,200	17,700	17,400
86,900	86,600	86,100	85,700	85,500	84,600	84,500	83,900	84,000	83,700	83,300
65,000	64,700	64,300	63,900	63,500	62,800	62,600	62,300	62,600	62,300	61,900
2,900	2,900	2,900	2,900	2,900	2,800	2,800	2,800	2,800	2,800	2,800
20,800	20,700	20,500	20,400	20,400	20,600	20,600	20,400	20,400	19,900	19,800
8,100	8,100	7,900	8,000	8,000	8,100	8,100	8,000	8,000	7,900	7,800
7,000	7,000	7,000	6,900	6,900	7,000	7,000	6,900	6,900	6,800	7,000
5,700	5,700	5,600	5,500	5,500	5,400	5,300	5,300	5,300	5,300	5,400
2,800	2,800	2,800	2,800	2,700	2,700	2,600	2,700	2,600	2,700	2,600
6,000	6,000	6,100	6,000	5,900	5,900	6,000	6,000	6,000	6,100	6,000
21,900	21,900	21,800	21,800	22,000	21,800	21,900	21,600	21,400	21,400	21,400
3,300	3,400	3,300	3,400	3,600	3,600	3,700	3,700	3,700	3,800	3,800
3,000	2,900	3,000	3,000	3,200	3,100	3,100	3,200	3,100	3,100	3,100
495,400	498,200	499,600	506,700	512,100	505,800	504,500	510,500	509,300	509,800	509,000
133,600	134,300	135,900	137,300	139,500	138,900	139,700	139,600	141,000	142,800	144,600
26,400	26,500	26,400	26,400	26,700	26,700	26,700	26,600	26,800	26,600	26,800
12,400	12,400	12,600	12,400	12,500	12,500	12,500	12,300	12,500	12,100	12,200
7,000	7,000	6,800	6,900	6,900	6,900	6,900	6,900	6,900	6,900	6,900
92,000	92,500	93,700	94,900	96,600	96,200	96,900	96,300	97,400	99,800	101,600
21,100	21,200	21,400	21,800	22,300	22,100	22,100	21,900	22,200	24,300	25,400
18,800	18,700	18,800	19,100	19,700	19,300	19,500	19,400	19,600	19,600	19,600
18,000	18,000	18,100	18,300	18,800	18,500	18,700	18,500	18,800	18,800	18,800
16,700	16,600	16,700	16,900	17,300	17,000	17,200	17,000	17,300	17,200	17,200
4,200	4,200	4,200	4,200	4,200	4,200	4,300	4,200	4,300	4,300	4,400
11,800	11,900	12,300	12,600	12,700	12,600	12,500	12,400	12,800	14,000	14,500
2,900	2,900	2,900	2,900	2,900	2,900	2,900	2,800	2,800	2,800	2,900
15,200	15,300	15,800	16,000	16,200	16,000	16,100	16,700	16,800	16,400	16,200
2,800	2,800	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000	2,900	2,900	2,900	2,900
12,400	12,500	12,800	13,000	13,200	13,000	13,100	13,800	13,900	13,500	13,300
13,300	13,100	13,000	12,900	12,900	12,800	12,700	12,700	12,700	12,700	12,900
3,800	3,800	3,800	3,700	3,800	3,800	3,800	3,800	3,800	3,800	3,800

*Note: Because estimates are rounded to the nearest hundred, totals may not add.

New Hampshire Nonfarm Employment by Sector 2002 Preliminary Benchmark

INDUSTRY	Annual Average	Jan
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	36,600	36,300
Finance & Insurance	28,900	28,600
Insurance Carriers & Related Activities	14,900	14,700
Insurance Carriers	10,600	10,500
Real Estate & Rental & Leasing	7,700	7,700
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	53,500	53,000
Professional, Scientific, & Technical Services	24,900	25,400
Management of Companies & Enterprises	6,500	6,700
Administrative & Support & Waste Management & Remediation Services	22,100	20,900
Employment Services	8,200	8,000
EDUCATIONAL & HEALTH SERVICES	92,300	90,400
Educational Services	21,300	20,400
Colleges, Universities, & Professional Schools	12,100	11,200
Health Care & Social Assistance	71,000	70,000
Ambulatory Health Care Services	24,400	24,000
Hospitals	23,100	22,700
Nursing Care Facilities	7,500	7,400
LEISURE & HOSPITALITY	60,700	54,800
Arts, Entertainment, & Recreation	10,600	9,400
Amusement, Gambling, & Recreation Industries	8,400	7,800
Accommodation & Food Services	50,200	45,400
Accommodation	9,600	8,200
Food Services & Drinking Places	40,600	37,200
Full-Service Restaurants	23,000	21,200
Limited-Service Eating Places	15,400	13,800
OTHER SERVICES	21,900	21,900
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	87,900	86,500
Federal Government	8,100	8,100
State Government	22,600	20,000
Local Government	57,200	58,400

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Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
36,200	36,200	36,100	36,300	36,700	36,800	37,000	36,800	36,700	36,800	36,900
28,700	28,700	28,600	28,700	28,800	28,900	29,000	29,000	29,000	29,100	29,100
14,700	14,700	14,600	14,700	14,700	14,900	14,900	15,100	15,000	15,200	15,100
10,600	10,600	10,600	10,500	10,600	10,600	10,700	10,700	10,700	10,800	10,800
7,500	7,500	7,500	7,600	7,900	7,900	8,000	7,800	7,700	7,700	7,800
52,800	53,100	53,400	54,100	54,400	54,100	53,900	53,300	53,600	53,400	53,400
25,400	25,400	25,500	24,900	25,000	24,900	24,800	24,500	24,400	24,600	24,700
6,700	6,700	6,300	6,400	6,400	6,400	6,500	6,500	6,500	6,500	6,500
20,700	21,000	21,600	22,800	23,000	22,800	22,600	22,300	22,700	22,300	22,200
7,900	7,900	7,900	8,400	8,400	8,100	8,400	8,600	8,700	8,400	8,300
91,500	92,200	92,100	92,500	92,400	91,700	91,500	92,500	93,100	93,900	93,600
21,300	21,300	21,400	21,400	20,900	20,000	19,800	21,600	22,300	22,500	22,500
12,200	12,200	12,400	12,300	11,800	11,300	11,200	12,200	12,600	12,800	12,800
70,200	70,900	70,700	71,100	71,500	71,700	71,700	70,900	70,800	71,400	71,100
24,000	24,200	24,300	24,600	24,800	24,700	24,800	24,400	24,500	24,500	24,400
23,000	23,100	22,900	23,100	23,400	23,200	23,200	23,200	23,100	23,300	23,400
7,400	7,500	7,500	7,400	7,500	7,400	7,400	7,500	7,400	7,500	7,600
54,900	55,700	56,600	60,400	66,300	70,400	69,300	64,100	60,600	57,500	57,900
9,500	9,500	9,900	10,600	12,500	13,100	12,500	11,200	10,200	8,900	9,400
7,900	7,800	7,500	8,000	9,400	10,000	9,900	8,800	8,400	7,200	7,500
45,400	46,200	46,700	49,800	53,800	57,300	56,800	52,900	50,400	48,600	48,500
8,300	8,200	7,600	8,700	10,100	12,800	12,800	10,700	9,500	8,700	9,300
37,100	38,000	39,100	41,100	43,700	44,500	44,000	42,200	40,900	39,900	39,200
21,300	21,700	22,400	23,500	24,800	25,200	24,800	23,800	23,100	22,500	21,800
13,600	14,100	14,600	15,300	16,300	16,800	16,800	16,400	15,900	15,400	15,400
21,900	21,800	21,900	22,100	22,200	22,000	22,100	21,500	21,600	21,800	21,900
91,200	91,800	90,600	91,100	87,700	79,100	78,300	90,000	90,000	90,900	87,800
7,900	7,900	7,800	7,900	8,100	8,100	8,200	8,200	8,300	8,400	8,700
24,300	24,500	24,400	24,300	21,500	21,000	20,900	24,300	23,500	23,100	19,600
59,000	59,400	58,400	58,900	58,100	50,000	49,200	57,500	58,200	59,400	59,500

**Note: Because estimates are rounded to the nearest hundred, totals may not add.*

New Hampshire Nonfarm Employment by Sector 2001 Final Benchmark

INDUSTRY	Annual Average	Jan
TOTAL NONFARM	627,200	622,100
TOTAL PRIVATE	541,400	537,400
Goods Producing	125,600	128,400
NATURAL RESOURCES & MINING	1,000	1,000
CONSTRUCTION	27,200	23,800
Specialty Trade Contractors	17,100	15,100
MANUFACTURING	97,400	103,600
Durable Goods	73,800	78,900
Primary Metal Manufacturing	3,200	3,300
Computer & Electronic Product	25,800	28,600
Semiconductor & Other Electronic Component	11,500	14,000
Navigational, Measuring, Electromedical, & Control Instruments	7,300	7,400
Electrical Equipment, Appliance, & Component	6,600	7,000
Transportation Equipment Manufacturing	3,200	3,300
Miscellaneous Manufacturing	6,200	6,300
Nondurable Goods	23,700	24,700
Food, & Beverage & Tobacco Product Manufacturing	3,400	3,200
Paper Manufacturing	3,600	4,000
Service Providing	501,600	493,700
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, & UTILITIES	137,300	137,300
Wholesale Trade	26,700	26,300
Merchant Wholesalers, Durable Goods	12,900	13,000
Wholesale Electronic Markets, Agents & Brokers	6,700	6,600
Retail Trade	94,900	95,400
Clothing & General Merchandise Stores	22,400	23,500
Food & Beverage Stores	19,200	19,000
Grocery Stores	18,400	18,200
Supermarkets & Other Grocery (ex. Convenience)	16,900	16,800
Health & Personal Care Stores	4,300	4,300
Department Stores	12,500	13,200
Electronic Shopping & Mail-Order	3,200	3,600
Transportation and Utilities	15,800	15,600
Utilities	2,800	2,800
Transportation & Warehouse	13,000	12,800
INFORMATION	13,700	14,300
Newspaper, Periodical, Book, & Directory Publishers	3,600	3,400

*Estimates are not published for all sectors

New Hampshire Nonfarm Employment by Sector

2001 Final Benchmark

Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
622,800	623,600	625,300	633,400	638,400	627,400	627,400	628,300	626,000	624,600	627,400
535,000	535,200	537,700	545,100	554,200	552,800	553,200	540,800	535,700	533,500	536,100
128,000	127,600	128,400	129,300	129,100	126,100	126,400	123,700	122,000	119,800	118,700
1,000	1,000	900	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
23,500	23,800	25,800	27,700	28,800	29,600	29,700	28,800	28,700	28,300	28,100
14,900	15,100	16,400	17,300	18,000	18,300	18,400	18,100	18,100	18,000	17,700
103,500	102,800	101,700	100,600	99,300	95,500	95,700	93,900	92,300	90,500	89,600
78,900	78,300	77,300	76,400	75,300	71,700	72,100	71,100	69,700	68,100	67,500
3,400	3,300	3,300	3,200	3,200	3,100	3,200	3,200	3,100	3,000	3,000
28,900	28,500	28,000	27,500	26,700	25,100	24,400	24,000	23,200	22,500	22,100
14,200	13,900	13,300	12,800	12,100	10,800	10,200	9,900	9,600	9,000	8,900
7,400	7,400	7,400	7,500	7,400	7,300	7,400	7,400	7,200	7,100	7,100
7,000	7,000	6,900	6,800	6,700	5,800	6,400	6,400	6,300	6,300	6,300
3,200	3,200	3,200	3,200	3,200	3,200	3,100	3,100	3,100	3,100	3,100
6,400	6,300	6,300	6,200	6,200	6,000	6,300	6,100	6,100	5,900	5,900
24,600	24,500	24,400	24,200	24,000	23,800	23,600	22,800	22,600	22,400	22,100
3,200	3,300	3,400	3,400	3,400	3,600	3,500	3,300	3,400	3,400	3,300
3,900	3,900	3,900	3,900	3,900	3,700	3,600	3,100	3,100	3,100	3,100
494,800	496,000	496,900	504,100	509,300	501,300	501,000	504,600	504,000	504,800	508,700
134,200	133,700	134,800	136,700	138,600	137,400	137,600	136,400	137,700	140,600	143,100
26,300	26,300	26,500	26,600	26,900	27,000	26,900	26,700	26,900	26,600	26,800
13,100	12,900	13,100	13,000	13,100	13,100	13,000	12,900	12,800	12,500	12,600
6,600	6,600	6,600	6,600	6,600	6,700	6,700	6,800	6,900	7,000	7,000
92,200	91,900	92,500	94,000	95,500	95,000	95,400	93,700	94,800	98,200	100,500
21,300	21,300	21,200	21,700	22,200	21,800	21,900	21,400	22,200	24,500	25,300
19,000	18,600	19,000	19,200	19,600	19,700	19,700	19,100	19,200	19,200	19,500
18,200	17,900	18,100	18,300	18,700	18,800	18,800	18,200	18,300	18,400	18,600
16,800	16,500	16,700	16,900	17,200	17,300	17,300	16,700	16,900	16,900	17,100
4,300	4,300	4,200	4,300	4,400	4,200	4,400	4,400	4,000	4,100	4,200
12,000	12,000	11,900	12,100	12,400	12,100	12,000	11,800	12,400	13,800	14,000
3,300	3,300	3,200	3,100	3,200	3,100	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,200	3,300
15,700	15,500	15,800	16,100	16,200	15,400	15,300	16,000	16,000	15,800	15,800
2,800	2,800	2,800	2,800	2,800	2,800	2,800	2,800	2,800	2,800	2,800
12,900	12,700	13,000	13,300	13,400	12,600	12,500	13,200	13,200	13,000	13,000
14,200	14,100	13,800	13,700	13,800	13,700	13,600	13,500	13,400	13,400	13,400
3,400	3,400	3,500	3,500	3,600	3,600	3,600	3,600	3,700	3,700	3,700

*Note: Because estimates are rounded to the nearest hundred, totals may not add.

New Hampshire Nonfarm Employment by Sector 2001 Final Benchmark

INDUSTRY	Annual Average	Jan
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	35,700	34,900
Finance & Insurance	27,900	27,300
Insurance Carriers & Related Activities	14,500	14,300
Insurance Carriers	10,400	10,300
Real Estate & Rental & Leasing	7,800	7,600
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	57,000	57,400
Professional, Scientific, & Technical Services	26,300	26,900
Management of Companies & Enterprises	7,200	7,300
Administrative & Support & Waste Management & Remediation Services	23,500	23,200
Employment Services	9,400	10,500
EDUCATIONAL & HEALTH SERVICES	89,000	86,900
Educational Services	20,200	19,400
Colleges, Universities, & Professional Schools	11,300	10,500
Health Care & Social Assistance	68,700	67,500
Ambulatory Health Care Services	23,500	23,000
Hospitals	21,800	20,900
Nursing Care Facilities	7,000	6,700
LEISURE & HOSPITALITY	59,500	54,400
Arts, Entertainment, & Recreation	10,500	9,300
Amusement, Gambling, & Recreation Industries	8,000	7,900
Accommodation & Food Services	49,000	45,100
Accommodation	9,500	8,500
Food Services & Drinking Places	39,500	36,600
Full-Service Restaurants	22,500	21,100
Limited-Service Eating Places	14,600	13,600
OTHER SERVICES	23,600	23,800
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	85,800	84,700
Federal Government	8,100	8,200
State Government	22,500	20,400
Local Government	55,200	56,100

**Estimates are not published for all sectors*

New Hampshire Nonfarm Employment by Sector 2001 Final Benchmark

Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
35,100	35,300	35,400	35,700	36,100	36,100	36,300	35,800	35,600	35,800	36,300
27,500	27,600	27,700	27,900	28,100	28,100	28,200	27,900	27,900	28,100	28,300
14,300	14,300	14,400	14,400	14,500	14,600	14,600	14,400	14,500	14,600	14,700
10,300	10,300	10,400	10,400	10,400	10,400	10,500	10,400	10,400	10,400	10,500
7,600	7,700	7,700	7,800	8,000	8,000	8,100	7,900	7,700	7,700	8,000
56,900	57,100	57,300	58,000	58,500	57,700	57,900	56,600	55,600	55,200	55,200
27,000	27,100	26,900	26,400	26,400	26,300	26,100	25,400	25,600	25,400	25,700
7,400	7,300	7,100	7,200	7,200	7,200	7,200	7,100	7,000	7,100	7,100
22,500	22,700	23,300	24,400	24,900	24,200	24,600	24,100	23,000	22,700	22,400
9,900	9,700	9,500	9,600	9,700	9,000	9,400	9,500	8,800	8,700	8,700
88,300	88,400	88,300	88,200	88,400	88,300	88,600	89,600	90,200	91,000	91,500
20,300	20,100	20,000	19,500	19,400	19,700	19,800	20,800	21,200	21,400	21,400
11,300	11,200	11,100	10,500	10,300	11,000	11,200	11,900	12,300	12,300	12,300
68,000	68,300	68,300	68,700	69,000	68,600	68,800	68,800	69,000	69,600	70,100
23,100	23,300	23,200	23,400	23,600	23,600	23,700	23,700	23,600	23,800	24,100
21,100	21,200	21,400	21,700	21,800	22,100	22,000	21,900	22,200	22,300	22,500
6,900	6,900	7,000	7,000	7,100	7,100	7,100	7,000	7,100	7,100	7,100
54,600	54,500	55,400	59,100	65,400	69,500	69,400	62,300	58,700	55,100	55,600
9,300	9,300	9,300	10,500	12,300	13,500	13,400	11,200	10,100	8,800	9,000
7,900	7,700	7,000	7,800	9,100	9,800	9,800	8,000	7,600	6,400	6,700
45,300	45,200	46,100	48,600	53,100	56,000	56,000	51,100	48,600	46,300	46,600
8,600	8,500	8,000	8,800	10,700	12,500	12,900	10,400	9,300	7,900	7,900
36,700	36,700	38,100	39,800	42,400	43,500	43,100	40,700	39,300	38,400	38,700
21,200	21,100	21,600	22,600	24,200	24,800	24,700	23,100	22,400	21,800	21,900
13,600	13,700	14,500	15,000	15,600	16,000	15,700	14,900	14,400	14,200	14,300
23,700	24,500	24,300	24,400	24,300	24,000	23,400	22,900	22,500	22,600	22,300
87,800	88,400	87,600	88,300	84,200	74,600	74,200	87,500	90,300	91,100	91,300
8,100	8,100	8,000	8,100	8,200	8,200	8,200	8,100	8,100	8,100	8,200
23,200	23,500	23,400	23,400	20,600	20,100	20,000	23,400	24,200	23,900	23,700
56,500	56,800	56,200	56,800	55,400	46,300	46,000	56,000	58,000	59,100	59,400

*Note: Because estimates are rounded to the nearest hundred, totals may not add.

Manchester, NH PMSA Nonfarm Employment by Sector

Jobs, by Place of Employment, based on latest available data including covered employment

INDUSTRY	2002 (preliminary benchmark)	Annual Average	Jan	Feb
TOTAL NONFARM		107,600	107,100	106,600
TOTAL PRIVATE		95,400	95,000	94,100
Goods Producing		18,100	18,000	17,900
NATURAL RESOURCES & MINING & CONSTRUCTION		6,200	5,800	5,700
MANUFACTURING		11,900	12,200	12,200
Service Providing		89,600	89,100	88,700
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, & UTILITIES		23,600	23,700	23,000
Wholesale Trade		6,100	6,000	6,000
Retail Trade		13,700	14,000	13,400
Clothing & General Merchandise Stores		3,100	3,200	3,000
Transportation and Utilities		3,800	3,700	3,600
INFORMATION		3,200	3,200	3,200
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES		8,600	8,400	8,500
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES		12,700	12,900	12,700
EDUCATIONAL & HEALTH SERVICES		16,200	16,200	16,300
LEISURE & HOSPITALITY		8,600	8,200	8,200
Accommodation & Food Services		7,600	7,200	7,200
OTHER SERVICES		4,400	4,400	4,300
TOTAL GOVERNMENT		12,200	12,100	12,500
Federal Government		2,600	2,500	2,500
State Government		1,400	1,200	1,400
Local Government		8,300	8,400	8,600

INDUSTRY	2001 (final benchmark)	Annual Average	Jan	Feb
TOTAL NONFARM		108,600	109,100	108,300
TOTAL PRIVATE		96,900	97,400	96,300
Goods Producing		19,000	19,500	19,100
NATURAL RESOURCES & MINING & CONSTRUCTION		5,500	4,900	4,800
MANUFACTURING		13,500	14,600	14,300
Service Providing		89,600	89,600	89,200
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, & UTILITIES		23,600	23,900	23,400
Wholesale Trade		6,000	6,000	6,000
Retail Trade		13,800	14,200	13,700
Clothing & General Merchandise Stores		3,200	3,400	3,200
Transportation and Utilities		3,700	3,700	3,700
INFORMATION		3,300	3,800	3,600
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES		7,900	7,600	7,700
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES		14,000	14,300	13,900
EDUCATIONAL & HEALTH SERVICES		16,000	15,600	15,900
LEISURE & HOSPITALITY		8,500	8,300	8,200
Accommodation & Food Services		7,500	7,500	7,400
OTHER SERVICES		4,500	4,400	4,500
TOTAL GOVERNMENT		11,700	11,700	12,000
Federal Government		2,600	2,600	2,600
State Government		1,300	1,100	1,300
Local Government		7,900	8,000	8,100

Manchester, NH PMSA Nonfarm Employment by Sector

Jobs, by Place of Employment, based on latest available data including covered employment

Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
107,100	107,800	108,000	108,400	106,100	105,600	107,800	108,800	108,900	109,300
94,600	95,400	95,600	96,300	95,700	95,400	95,300	95,700	95,700	96,100
17,900	18,000	18,100	18,200	18,300	18,100	18,200	18,100	18,000	18,000
5,700	5,900	6,100	6,300	6,400	6,400	6,400	6,400	6,400	6,300
12,200	12,100	12,000	11,900	11,900	11,700	11,800	11,700	11,600	11,700
89,200	89,800	89,900	90,200	87,800	87,500	89,600	90,700	90,900	91,300
23,000	23,300	23,600	23,800	23,800	23,800	23,400	23,500	23,700	24,500
6,000	6,000	6,100	6,100	6,100	6,100	6,200	6,200	6,200	6,200
13,400	13,400	13,600	13,800	13,900	13,900	13,300	13,300	13,500	14,400
3,000	2,900	2,900	3,000	3,100	3,100	3,000	2,900	3,300	3,500
3,600	3,900	3,900	3,900	3,800	3,800	3,900	4,000	4,000	3,900
3,200	3,200	3,200	3,200	3,200	3,200	3,200	3,200	3,200	3,200
8,500	8,500	8,500	8,500	8,600	8,700	8,700	8,700	8,700	8,800
12,700	12,600	12,700	12,900	12,500	12,600	12,800	12,900	12,800	12,500
16,500	16,400	16,200	16,200	15,800	15,700	16,200	16,400	16,400	16,200
8,400	8,900	8,900	9,100	9,100	8,900	8,400	8,500	8,400	8,400
7,300	7,700	7,800	7,900	7,800	7,700	7,500	7,700	7,600	7,600
4,400	4,500	4,400	4,400	4,400	4,400	4,400	4,400	4,500	4,500
12,500	12,400	12,400	12,100	10,400	10,200	12,500	13,100	13,200	13,200
2,500	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,600	2,600	2,700	2,700	2,900
1,400	1,400	1,400	1,300	1,300	1,200	1,400	1,600	1,500	1,500
8,600	8,500	8,500	8,300	6,600	6,400	8,500	8,800	9,000	8,800

Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
108,300	108,700	109,600	109,400	107,300	107,500	108,200	108,300	108,900	109,400
96,400	96,900	97,700	97,900	96,600	96,900	96,300	96,200	96,600	97,300
19,200	19,400	19,500	19,400	18,800	18,900	18,600	18,500	18,300	18,200
4,900	5,200	5,500	5,600	5,800	5,900	5,800	5,800	5,800	5,800
14,300	14,200	14,000	13,800	13,000	13,000	12,800	12,700	12,500	12,400
89,100	89,300	90,100	90,000	88,500	88,600	89,600	89,800	90,600	91,200
23,300	23,300	23,700	23,600	23,200	23,400	23,200	23,600	24,300	24,700
6,000	6,000	6,000	6,000	6,100	6,100	6,100	6,100	6,100	6,100
13,700	13,600	13,900	13,900	13,500	13,700	13,400	13,600	14,300	14,700
3,200	3,100	3,100	3,200	3,100	3,100	3,000	3,100	3,500	3,600
3,600	3,700	3,800	3,700	3,600	3,600	3,700	3,900	3,900	3,900
3,500	3,300	3,300	3,300	3,300	3,200	3,200	3,200	3,200	3,200
7,800	7,900	7,900	7,900	7,900	7,900	7,900	8,000	8,100	8,400
13,900	14,100	14,200	14,400	14,200	14,300	14,100	13,800	13,600	13,600
15,900	15,800	15,900	15,900	15,800	15,900	16,100	16,200	16,200	16,200
8,300	8,500	8,700	8,800	8,800	8,800	8,700	8,400	8,400	8,500
7,400	7,500	7,600	7,700	7,700	7,700	7,600	7,300	7,500	7,500
4,500	4,600	4,500	4,600	4,600	4,500	4,500	4,500	4,500	4,500
11,900	11,800	11,900	11,500	10,700	10,600	11,900	12,100	12,300	12,100
2,600	2,600	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,600
1,300	1,200	1,300	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,300	1,400	1,400	1,300
8,000	8,000	8,100	7,800	7,000	6,900	8,100	8,200	8,400	8,200

Nashua, NH PMSA Nonfarm Employment by Sector

Jobs, by Place of Employment, based on latest available data including covered employment

INDUSTRY	2002 (preliminary benchmark)	Annual Average	Jan	Feb
TOTAL NONFARM		95,100	94,900	94,000
TOTAL PRIVATE		85,400	84,900	83,900
Goods Producing		26,600	26,800	26,700
NATURAL RESOURCES & MINING & CONSTRUCTION		3,600	3,300	3,300
MANUFACTURING		23,000	23,500	23,400
Computer & Electronic Product		12,600	12,800	12,700
Semiconductor & Other Electronic Component		4,600	4,800	4,800
Navigational, Measuring, Electromedical, & Control Insts		5,200	5,000	5,000
Service Providing		68,500	68,100	67,300
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, & UTILITIES		21,300	21,600	20,900
Wholesale Trade		3,500	3,400	3,400
Retail Trade		15,700	16,200	15,500
Clothing & General Merchandise Stores		4,100	4,300	3,900
Transportation and Utilities		2,100	2,000	2,000
INFORMATION		1,900	2,000	2,000
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES		6,400	6,500	6,300
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES		7,400	7,300	7,200
EDUCATIONAL & HEALTH SERVICES		11,400	10,900	11,200
LEISURE & HOSPITALITY		7,300	6,700	6,500
OTHER SERVICES		3,200	3,100	3,100
TOTAL GOVERNMENT		9,700	10,000	10,100
Federal Government		1,500	1,600	1,500
State Government		600	500	600
Local Government		7,600	7,900	8,000

INDUSTRY	2001 (final benchmark)	Annual Average	Jan	Feb
TOTAL NONFARM		99,100	99,900	100,000
TOTAL PRIVATE		89,500	90,200	90,200
Goods Producing		30,300	31,600	32,100
NATURAL RESOURCES & MINING & CONSTRUCTION		3,600	3,400	3,500
MANUFACTURING		26,700	28,200	28,600
Computer & Electronic Product		15,400	16,500	16,900
Semiconductor & Other Electronic Component		6,900	8,100	8,400
Navigational, Measuring, Electromedical, & Control Insts		5,100	4,900	5,000
Service Providing		68,800	68,300	67,900
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, & UTILITIES		21,300	21,700	20,900
Wholesale Trade		3,600	3,600	3,600
Retail Trade		15,800	16,200	15,400
Clothing & General Merchandise Stores		4,100	4,400	3,800
Transportation and Utilities		2,000	1,900	1,900
INFORMATION		2,200	2,300	2,200
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES		6,500	6,500	6,500
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES		7,700	7,700	7,600
EDUCATIONAL & HEALTH SERVICES		11,100	10,700	11,000
LEISURE & HOSPITALITY		7,200	6,600	6,700
OTHER SERVICES		3,200	3,100	3,200
TOTAL GOVERNMENT		9,600	9,700	9,800
Federal Government		1,600	1,600	1,600
State Government		500	500	500
Local Government		7,500	7,600	7,700

Nashua, NH PMSA Nonfarm Employment by Sector

Jobs, by Place of Employment, based on latest available data including covered employment

Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
94,500	95,000	95,800	96,100	94,200	94,200	94,900	95,400	95,800	96,700
84,400	84,900	85,500	86,400	85,700	85,800	85,300	85,700	86,100	86,700
26,700	26,500	26,600	26,900	27,000	26,900	26,600	26,500	26,200	26,000
3,400	3,500	3,600	3,800	3,900	3,900	3,800	3,800	3,700	3,700
23,300	23,000	23,000	23,100	23,100	23,000	22,800	22,700	22,500	22,300
12,700	12,600	12,600	12,700	12,800	12,800	12,700	12,600	12,200	12,000
4,800	4,600	4,600	4,600	4,700	4,600	4,600	4,600	4,400	4,400
5,000	5,100	5,100	5,100	5,200	5,400	5,400	5,300	5,300	5,300
67,800	68,500	69,200	69,200	67,200	67,300	68,300	68,900	69,600	70,700
21,000	21,100	21,200	21,300	21,200	21,000	20,900	21,100	21,400	22,400
3,400	3,400	3,500	3,400	3,400	3,500	3,500	3,500	3,500	3,600
15,600	15,700	15,700	15,900	15,800	15,500	15,200	15,500	15,800	16,600
3,900	4,100	4,000	4,100	4,100	3,900	3,900	4,000	4,200	4,500
2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,200	2,100	2,100	2,200
1,900	1,900	1,900	1,900	1,800	1,800	1,800	1,800	1,700	1,700
6,300	6,400	6,400	6,400	6,400	6,400	6,400	6,400	6,500	6,500
7,200	7,400	7,300	7,400	7,300	7,500	7,600	7,600	7,700	7,600
11,400	11,200	11,300	11,200	11,100	11,400	11,500	11,700	11,900	11,700
6,800	7,200	7,600	8,000	7,700	7,600	7,300	7,400	7,400	7,500
3,100	3,200	3,200	3,300	3,200	3,200	3,200	3,200	3,300	3,300
10,100	10,100	10,300	9,700	8,500	8,400	9,600	9,700	9,700	10,000
1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500
600	600	600	500	500	500	600	600	500	600
8,000	8,000	8,200	7,700	6,500	6,400	7,500	7,600	7,700	7,900

Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
100,100	100,600	100,600	100,900	98,200	97,700	97,700	97,600	97,700	98,200
90,300	90,900	90,800	91,500	89,800	88,900	88,200	87,400	87,500	87,800
31,800	31,600	31,300	31,100	30,400	29,600	29,400	28,700	28,100	27,900
3,500	3,700	3,700	3,800	3,800	3,800	3,700	3,600	3,500	3,500
28,300	27,900	27,600	27,300	26,600	25,800	25,700	25,100	24,600	24,400
16,700	16,500	16,300	16,000	15,300	14,400	14,500	14,000	13,600	13,500
8,200	7,900	7,700	7,300	6,600	5,900	6,000	5,800	5,400	5,400
5,000	5,100	5,100	5,200	5,200	5,200	5,200	5,100	5,100	5,100
68,300	69,000	69,300	69,800	67,800	68,100	68,300	68,900	69,600	70,300
20,900	21,100	21,000	21,400	21,000	20,900	20,900	21,400	22,000	22,500
3,600	3,600	3,500	3,600	3,600	3,500	3,500	3,600	3,500	3,500
15,400	15,500	15,500	15,800	15,500	15,600	15,500	15,800	16,500	16,900
3,900	3,900	3,900	4,100	4,000	4,000	3,900	4,100	4,500	4,700
1,900	2,000	2,000	2,000	1,900	1,800	1,900	2,000	2,000	2,100
2,200	2,200	2,200	2,200	2,200	2,200	2,100	2,100	2,100	2,100
6,600	6,500	6,600	6,600	6,600	6,700	6,600	6,400	6,400	6,500
7,800	7,900	7,900	8,000	7,700	7,700	7,600	7,500	7,400	7,500
11,100	11,200	11,100	11,200	10,900	10,900	11,100	11,200	11,400	11,400
6,800	7,200	7,500	7,800	7,700	7,700	7,300	7,000	7,000	6,800
3,100	3,200	3,200	3,200	3,300	3,200	3,200	3,100	3,100	3,100
9,800	9,700	9,800	9,400	8,400	8,800	9,500	10,200	10,200	10,400
1,600	1,600	1,600	1,600	1,600	1,600	1,500	1,600	1,600	1,700
500	500	500	500	500	600	500	600	600	600
7,700	7,600	7,700	7,300	6,300	6,600	7,500	8,000	8,000	8,100

Portsmouth - Rochester, NH - ME PMSA Nonfarm Employment by Sector

Jobs, by Place of Employment, based on latest available data including covered employment

INDUSTRY	2002 (preliminary benchmark)	Annual Average	Annual	
			Jan	Feb
TOTAL NONFARM		125,800	120,300	121,500
TOTAL PRIVATE		102,300	97,700	97,200
Goods Producing		18,300	18,300	18,200
NATURAL RESOURCES & MINING & CONSTRUCTION		4,400	4,200	4,100
MANUFACTURING		13,900	14,100	14,100
Service Providing		107,500	102,000	103,300
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, & UTILITIES		26,300	25,500	25,000
Wholesale Trade		4,300	4,500	4,500
Retail Trade		19,300	18,500	18,000
Clothing & General Merchandise Stores		4,000	4,000	3,800
Food & Beverage Stores		3,500	3,400	3,300
Transportation and Utilities		2,600	2,500	2,500
INFORMATION		3,200	3,300	3,300
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES		7,300	7,200	7,200
Finance & Insurance		5,900	5,900	5,900
Insurance Carriers		4,100	4,100	4,100
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES		11,800	11,200	11,400
EDUCATIONAL & HEALTH SERVICES		18,000	17,300	17,300
Hospitals		4,400	4,400	4,400
LEISURE & HOSPITALITY		13,500	11,100	11,000
Accommodation & Food Services		11,400	9,800	9,700
Food Services & Drinking Places		9,800	8,500	8,400
OTHER SERVICES		4,000	3,800	3,800
TOTAL GOVERNMENT		23,500	22,600	24,300
Federal Government		5,800	5,800	5,800
State Government		6,200	5,100	6,700
Local Government		11,500	11,700	11,800

INDUSTRY	2001 (final benchmark)	Annual Average	Annual	
			Jan	Feb
TOTAL NONFARM		126,100	123,600	124,100
TOTAL PRIVATE		103,200	101,000	100,600
Goods Producing		20,700	21,200	21,200
NATURAL RESOURCES & MINING & CONSTRUCTION		4,200	3,800	3,800
MANUFACTURING		16,500	17,400	17,400
Service Providing		105,400	102,400	102,900
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, & UTILITIES		25,900	25,500	25,200
Wholesale Trade		4,800	4,800	4,800
Retail Trade		18,500	18,200	17,800
Clothing & General Merchandise Stores		4,100	4,200	3,900
Food & Beverage Stores		3,400	3,300	3,300
Transportation and Utilities		2,600	2,500	2,600
INFORMATION		3,400	3,500	3,500
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES		7,100	7,000	6,900
Finance & Insurance		5,800	5,700	5,700
Insurance Carriers		4,000	3,900	3,900
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES		12,200	12,400	12,200
EDUCATIONAL & HEALTH SERVICES		17,000	16,700	16,900
Hospitals		4,300	4,200	4,200
LEISURE & HOSPITALITY		13,000	10,800	10,900
Accommodation & Food Services		11,000	9,500	9,600
Food Services & Drinking Places		9,300	8,200	8,300
OTHER SERVICES		3,900	3,900	3,800
TOTAL GOVERNMENT		22,900	22,600	23,500
Federal Government		5,600	5,600	5,500
State Government		6,000	5,700	6,600
Local Government		11,300	11,300	11,400

Portsmouth - Rochester, NH - ME PMSA Nonfarm Employment by Sector

Jobs, by Place of Employment, based on latest available data including covered employment

Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
122,400	124,900	126,300	126,400	127,200	127,200	128,100	128,400	128,900	127,800
98,000	100,500	102,300	104,000	105,600	106,100	104,800	104,100	104,100	103,500
18,200	18,200	18,200	18,200	18,200	18,300	18,300	18,400	18,600	18,300
4,100	4,300	4,400	4,500	4,600	4,600	4,500	4,400	4,400	4,400
14,100	13,900	13,800	13,700	13,600	13,700	13,800	14,000	14,200	13,900
104,200	106,700	108,100	108,200	109,000	108,900	109,800	110,000	110,300	109,500
25,100	25,800	26,000	26,300	26,500	26,600	26,500	26,700	27,600	28,100
4,500	4,500	4,300	4,300	4,300	4,300	4,200	4,200	4,200	4,200
18,100	18,700	19,000	19,300	19,500	19,600	19,500	19,700	20,700	21,200
3,800	3,800	4,000	4,100	4,100	4,100	4,000	4,100	4,400	4,300
3,300	3,500	3,600	3,700	3,600	3,600	3,600	3,600	3,600	3,600
2,500	2,600	2,700	2,700	2,700	2,700	2,800	2,800	2,700	2,700
3,300	3,300	3,300	3,200	3,200	3,200	3,200	3,200	3,100	3,200
7,200	7,200	7,300	7,400	7,400	7,400	7,400	7,300	7,400	7,400
5,900	5,800	5,900	5,900	6,000	6,000	6,000	5,900	6,000	6,000
4,100	4,000	4,000	4,100	4,100	4,100	4,100	4,100	4,100	4,100
11,400	11,900	12,000	12,000	11,800	12,100	12,200	12,200	11,600	11,200
17,500	17,600	17,700	17,700	18,100	18,200	18,500	18,600	18,700	18,700
4,400	4,200	4,300	4,300	4,400	4,400	4,400	4,500	4,500	4,500
11,500	12,600	13,800	15,200	16,400	16,200	14,600	13,600	13,000	12,500
10,000	10,700	11,700	12,700	13,700	13,400	12,300	11,500	11,000	10,600
8,700	9,300	10,100	10,900	11,500	11,200	10,500	10,000	9,500	9,100
3,800	3,900	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,100	4,100	4,100	4,100	4,100
24,400	24,400	24,000	22,400	21,600	21,100	23,300	24,300	24,800	24,300
5,700	5,700	5,700	5,800	5,800	5,800	5,800	5,900	5,900	6,000
6,800	6,900	6,400	5,000	5,500	5,300	6,100	6,900	7,000	6,600
11,900	11,800	11,900	11,600	10,300	10,000	11,400	11,500	11,900	11,700

Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
123,700	125,700	128,000	128,100	127,800	127,700	126,500	126,300	126,000	125,200
100,400	102,000	104,300	106,100	107,000	107,300	103,600	102,300	101,800	101,400
21,200	21,300	21,400	21,200	20,600	20,900	20,500	20,000	19,700	19,100
3,800	4,000	4,200	4,300	4,500	4,400	4,300	4,300	4,300	4,300
17,400	17,300	17,200	16,900	16,100	16,500	16,200	15,700	15,400	14,800
102,500	104,400	106,600	106,900	107,200	106,800	106,000	106,300	106,300	106,100
25,000	25,400	25,900	26,200	26,200	26,300	25,900	26,100	26,400	26,800
4,800	4,900	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	4,800	4,800	4,600	4,600
17,600	17,900	18,200	18,400	18,500	18,600	18,500	18,700	19,200	19,700
3,800	3,800	3,900	4,100	4,100	4,100	4,000	4,100	4,400	4,600
3,200	3,300	3,400	3,400	3,500	3,500	3,400	3,400	3,400	3,400
2,600	2,600	2,700	2,800	2,700	2,700	2,600	2,600	2,600	2,500
3,600	3,400	3,400	3,400	3,400	3,400	3,300	3,300	3,300	3,300
6,900	7,000	7,000	7,100	7,200	7,300	7,000	7,000	7,100	7,100
5,600	5,700	5,700	5,800	5,800	5,900	5,700	5,800	5,800	5,800
3,900	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,100	4,100	4,000	4,100	4,100	4,100
12,100	12,100	12,400	12,500	12,500	12,500	12,000	11,900	11,800	11,700
16,800	16,800	16,900	16,900	16,900	17,000	17,100	17,100	17,200	17,300
4,200	4,200	4,200	4,300	4,200	4,300	4,300	4,300	4,400	4,400
10,900	12,000	13,200	14,700	16,100	15,900	13,900	13,000	12,400	12,200
9,400	10,300	11,100	12,200	13,100	13,000	11,700	10,900	10,600	10,600
8,200	8,900	9,400	10,200	10,800	10,700	9,700	9,300	9,100	9,100
3,900	4,000	4,100	4,100	4,100	4,000	3,900	3,900	3,900	3,900
23,300	23,700	23,700	22,000	20,800	20,400	22,900	24,000	24,200	23,800
5,500	5,500	5,500	5,600	5,700	5,700	5,700	5,700	5,700	5,700
6,300	6,700	6,500	4,800	5,200	5,000	5,900	6,700	6,700	6,200
11,500	11,500	11,700	11,600	9,900	9,700	11,300	11,600	11,800	11,900

Average Weekly Hours of Nonfarm Production Workers in Manufacturing

by Place of Employment 2002 Preliminary Benchmark

		New Hampshire											
INDUSTRY	Average	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
MANUFACTURING	39.8	39.7	40.1	40.6	39.8	39.3	39.8	39.1	39.1	40.0	39.7	40.0	40.5
Durable Goods	40.6	40.5	40.5	41.2	40.6	40.2	40.7	39.7	40.2	41.2	40.7	40.7	41.2
Nondurable Goods	37.6	37.6	38.8	39.1	37.6	37.0	37.4	37.6	36.1	36.9	37.0	38.2	38.8

		Manchester, NH PMSA											
INDUSTRY	Average	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
MANUFACTURING	38.9	39.7	39.4	39.9	38.7	39.3	39.7	38.3	37.5	37.8	38.6	38.4	39.7

		Nashua, NH PMSA											
INDUSTRY	Average	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
MANUFACTURING	39.0	39.7	38.8	39.8	39.6	39.0	39.4	37.7	37.6	38.1	38.9	39.0	40.5

		Portsmouth - Rochester, NH - ME PMSA											
INDUSTRY	Average	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
MANUFACTURING	42.7	42.2	43.6	44.2	42.4	43.0	43.1	40.9	42.3	43.1	42.6	42.1	43.7

Average Weekly Hours of Nonfarm Production Workers in Manufacturing

by Place of Employment 2001 Final Benchmark

		New Hampshire											
INDUSTRY	Average	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
MANUFACTURING	40.6	41.7	41.7	41.9	40.1	40.0	40.0	39.8	40.4	40.6	40.3	40.2	40.5
Durable Goods	41.2	42.6	42.5	42.8	40.5	40.4	40.3	40.2	40.7	41.2	40.8	40.9	41.4
Nondurable Goods	38.8	38.9	38.9	39.1	39.1	38.5	38.9	38.6	39.6	38.9	39.0	38.2	37.9

		Manchester, NH PMSA											
INDUSTRY	Average	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
MANUFACTURING	39.4	39.5	39.9	39.3	38.3	38.2	39.0	39.1	40.7	39.6	39.6	39.5	40.4

		Nashua, NH PMSA											
INDUSTRY	Average	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
MANUFACTURING	41.6	41.8	42.2	42.5	41.5	42.1	42.0	40.5	41.4	41.7	41.3	41.0	40.9

		Portsmouth - Rochester, NH - ME PMSA											
INDUSTRY	Average	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
MANUFACTURING	42.9	43.3	44.1	45.2	43.4	42.9	43.7	42.6	41.9	42.7	42.2	41.2	41.6

Average Weekly Earnings of Nonfarm Production Workers in Manufacturing

by Place of Employment 2002 Preliminary Benchmark

		New Hampshire											
INDUSTRY	Average	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
MANUFACTURING	\$565.16	553.42	557.79	561.90	556.40	548.63	558.00	547.79	557.96	584.00	576.44	582.80	601.43
Durable Goods	\$590.73	576.72	577.53	585.86	582.61	575.26	586.49	574.46	587.32	616.76	603.17	607.65	622.94
Nondurable Goods	\$496.32	489.93	499.74	497.74	483.54	477.67	481.71	479.02	479.77	500.36	506.90	520.28	549.80

		Manchester, NH PMSA											
INDUSTRY	Average	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
MANUFACTURING	\$616.95	637.58	631.58	633.21	609.91	623.69	637.19	595.18	585.38	604.42	616.06	604.03	625.67

		Nashua, NH PMSA											
INDUSTRY	Average	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
MANUFACTURING	\$560.82	564.93	559.50	561.98	569.05	554.97	555.54	532.70	538.43	554.74	567.55	577.20	597.38

		Portsmouth - Rochester, NH - ME PMSA											
INDUSTRY	Average	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
MANUFACTURING	\$663.13	651.99	677.98	674.93	655.08	658.33	673.22	652.36	657.77	674.95	657.32	650.45	686.96

Average Weekly Earnings of Nonfarm Production Workers in Manufacturing

by Place of Employment 2001 Final Benchmark

		New Hampshire											
INDUSTRY	Average	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
MANUFACTURING	\$567.59	578.38	578.38	580.73	561.80	562.40	563.60	558.00	566.41	568.40	562.19	565.61	565.79
Durable Goods	\$588.75	601.51	600.10	604.34	579.56	580.55	577.50	575.26	584.05	596.99	585.89	586.92	592.02
Nondurable Goods	\$505.18	506.48	506.09	506.74	509.47	502.81	520.09	508.36	517.57	487.81	497.25	505.39	491.18

		Manchester, NH PMSA											
INDUSTRY	Average	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
MANUFACTURING	\$620.16	639.51	639.60	622.51	593.65	595.92	610.74	608.40	638.58	615.38	620.93	621.73	640.34

		Nashua, NH PMSA											
INDUSTRY	Average	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
MANUFACTURING	\$595.30	594.81	604.30	602.23	595.11	609.19	594.72	573.08	594.92	605.07	598.02	585.07	581.60

		Portsmouth - Rochester, NH - ME PMSA											
INDUSTRY	Average	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
MANUFACTURING	\$639.64	633.91	642.10	658.56	638.41	633.20	652.44	641.13	627.24	640.93	638.06	641.90	635.23

Average Hourly Earnings of Nonfarm Production Workers in Manufacturing

by Place of Employment 2002 Preliminary Benchmark

		New Hampshire											
INDUSTRY	Average	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
MANUFACTURING	\$14.20	13.94	13.91	13.84	13.98	13.96	14.02	14.01	14.27	14.60	14.52	14.57	14.85
Durable Goods	\$14.55	14.24	14.26	14.22	14.35	14.31	14.41	14.47	14.61	14.97	14.82	14.93	15.12
Nondurable Goods	\$13.20	13.03	12.88	12.73	12.86	12.91	12.88	12.74	13.29	13.56	13.70	13.62	14.17

		Manchester, NH PMSA											
INDUSTRY	Average	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
MANUFACTURING	\$15.86	16.06	16.03	15.87	15.76	15.87	16.05	15.54	15.61	15.99	15.96	15.73	15.76

		Nashua, NH PMSA											
INDUSTRY	Average	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
MANUFACTURING	\$14.38	14.23	14.42	14.12	14.37	14.23	14.10	14.13	14.32	14.56	14.59	14.80	14.75

		Portsmouth - Rochester, NH - ME PMSA											
INDUSTRY	Average	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
MANUFACTURING	\$15.53	15.45	15.55	15.27	15.45	15.31	15.62	15.95	15.55	15.66	15.43	15.45	15.72

Average Hourly Earnings of Nonfarm Production Workers in Manufacturing

by Place of Employment 2001 Final Benchmark

		New Hampshire											
INDUSTRY	Average	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
MANUFACTURING	\$13.98	13.87	13.87	13.86	14.01	14.06	14.09	14.02	14.02	14.00	13.95	14.07	13.97
Durable Goods	\$14.29	14.12	14.12	14.12	14.31	14.37	14.33	14.31	14.35	14.49	14.36	14.35	14.30
Nondurable Goods	\$13.02	13.02	13.01	12.96	13.03	13.06	13.37	13.17	13.07	12.54	12.75	13.23	12.96

		Manchester, NH PMSA											
INDUSTRY	Average	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
MANUFACTURING	\$15.86	16.06	16.03	15.87	15.76	15.87	16.05	15.54	15.61	15.99	15.96	15.73	15.76

		Nashua, NH PMSA											
INDUSTRY	Average	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
MANUFACTURING	\$14.31	14.23	14.32	14.17	14.34	14.47	14.16	14.15	14.37	14.51	14.48	14.27	14.22

		Portsmouth - Rochester, NH - ME PMSA											
INDUSTRY	Average	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
MANUFACTURING	\$14.91	14.64	14.56	14.57	14.71	14.76	14.93	15.05	14.97	15.01	15.12	15.58	15.27

New Hampshire Seasonally Adjusted Nonfarm Employment by Sector

2002 Preliminary Benchmark

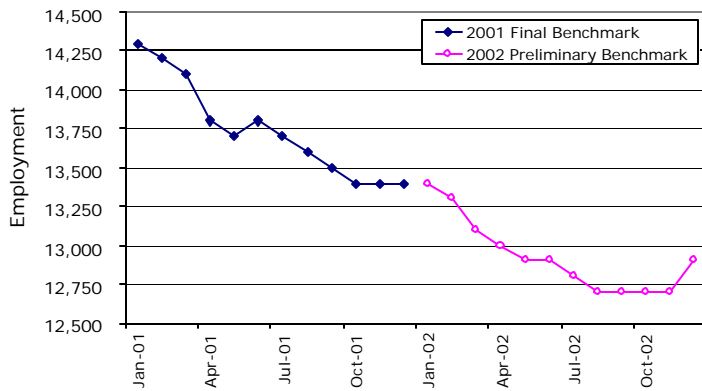
	Total Nonfarm	Construction	Manufacturing	Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	Leisure and Hospitality	Government
Average	618,600	27,800	85,200	138,700	63,000	98,900
Jan	618,700	28,500	87,400	137,500	59,900	86,900
Feb	617,800	28,400	86,800	137,200	59,900	88,100
Mar	618,700	28,700	86,300	137,800	60,400	88,300
Apr	618,000	27,300	85,700	138,100	60,600	88,000
May	617,700	27,100	85,300	138,000	60,700	88,400
Jun	617,200	26,400	84,900	138,200	60,500	89,000
Jul	618,400	27,200	85,800	138,700	62,100	87,400
Aug	617,400	27,300	84,900	139,400	61,400	87,700
Sep	622,500	28,300	84,300	140,800	61,700	90,000
Oct	620,700	28,100	84,400	140,400	60,600	87,900
Nov	619,700	27,900	83,700	139,600	60,200	87,900
Dec	616,700	28,200	82,800	138,900	87,900	85,300

New Hampshire Seasonally Adjusted Nonfarm Employment by Sector

2001 Final Benchmark

	Total Nonfarm	Construction	Manufacturing	Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	Leisure and Hospitality	Government
Average	627,300	27,200	97,400	137,400	59,500	85,900
Jan	633,300	26,000	103,600	137,800	59,600	85,100
Feb	632,300	26,300	103,400	137,700	59,500	84,800
Mar	631,200	26,500	102,400	137,100	59,200	85,000
Apr	630,500	26,700	101,300	137,000	59,400	84,900
May	630,000	27,000	100,200	137,500	59,500	85,700
Jun	628,800	27,200	98,600	137,300	59,600	85,500
Jul	625,400	27,500	97,400	137,500	59,200	83,900
Aug	625,800	27,600	95,700	137,500	59,300	84,800
Sep	624,800	27,600	94,200	137,300	59,100	87,100
Oct	623,100	27,800	92,400	137,400	59,600	87,700
Nov	622,000	27,800	90,600	137,300	60,300	87,500
Dec	620,300	28,200	89,200	136,700	59,800	88,100

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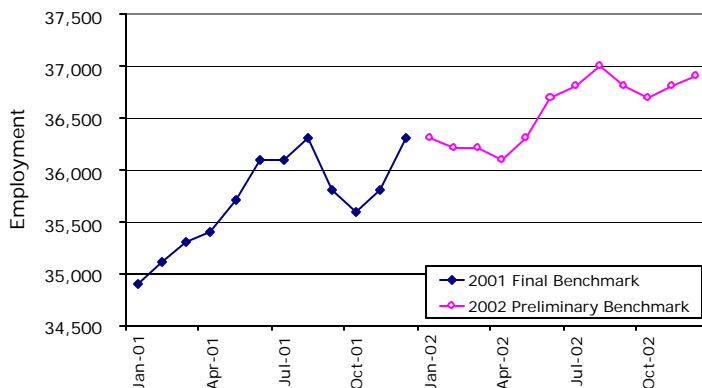
This is a new supersector/sector* adopted because of NAICS definitions. This particular designation was developed to help capture employment in new and evolving technology fields that could not be accommodated by the SIC system.

The 2001 final benchmark numbers placed employment in this supersector/sector* at 13,700. The year started off with employment over 14,000, then dropped before stabilizing toward the end of the year. By the end of 2002, preliminary benchmark numbers reflected a continued decline before reaching the year end level of 12,900.

Financial Activities

Two sectors were combined under this supersector level – Finance and insurance, and Real estate and rental and leasing. Although very similar to the old SIC division, the new organization allows for more

Financial Activities Employment



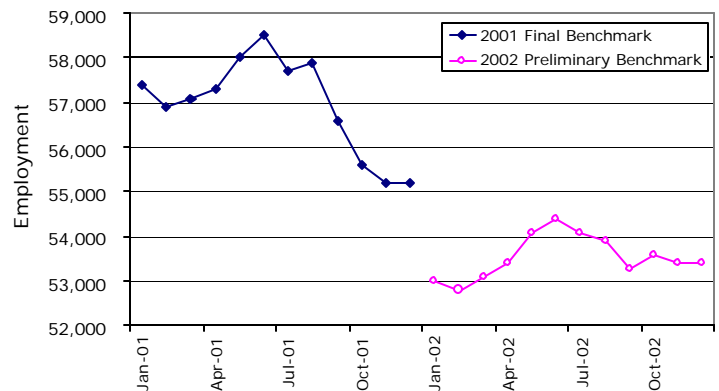
detailed information related to the actual functions of the businesses. Final benchmark 2001 employment was 35,700. Gradual increases starting in May 2002 brought preliminary 2002 figures up to 36,600, mostly accredited to increases in the Finance and insurance sector.

Historically with SIC, the Services division covered all industries with services. The employment trend has been shifting over the years and concentrating more on service oriented companies and steering further away from manufacturing interests. To capture this growth and better define where the services are concentrated, NAICS established three distinct supersectors: Professional and business services, Education and health services, and Leisure and hospitality.

Professional and Business Services

The employment growth in this new supersector varied through 2001, starting at 57,400 in January, peaking at 58,500 in June and then reaching its lowest levels by the end of the year. The final 2001 benchmarked employment averaged 57,000. Employment continued to fall, although it peaked again

Professional and Business Services Employment

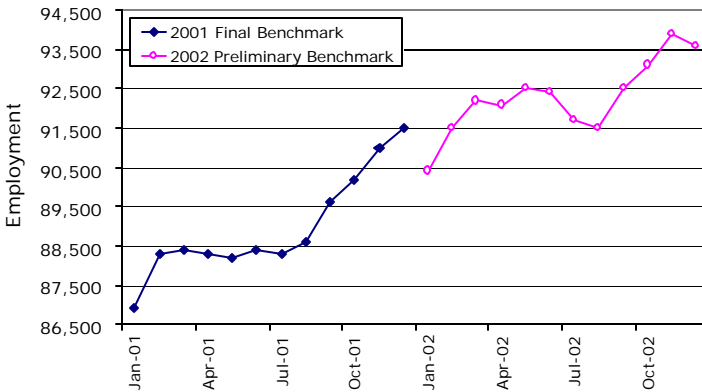


in the summer, only to land with a preliminary 2002 benchmark figure of 53,500. The loss of 3,900 by benchmark 2002 in this supersector was second only to Manufacturing.

Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services

This sector includes establishments whose activities require a high degree of expertise and training. It includes legal advice and representation, engineering, accounting services, photographic and computer

Education and Health Services Employment



services, among others. It does not include the range of day-to-day accounting and payroll type services. Employment in 2001 started the year at 26,900, peaked in March at 27,100 and finished the year at 25,700. Final 2001 benchmark for the sector was 26,300. The slowdown continued through the following year resulting in a 2002 preliminary benchmark of 24,900.

Management of Companies and Enterprises

As the title suggests, this sector includes companies that hold securities in or interests of other companies for their operations. This was one of the smallest sectors with final 2001 employment at 7,200. Employment fell the beginning of 2002 and remained at that level for a preliminary benchmark figure of 6,500.

Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services

These companies handle the day-to-day support services of other organizations, from payroll and

accounting to waste disposal services. Employment services, sometimes referred to as temporary help agencies, are part of this sector. Employment in 2001 was irregular, cresting in June and gradually declining the remainder of the year. Final 2001 numbers were 23,500 and employment continued to fall to a preliminary 2002 level of 22,100.

Education and Health Services

With the aging population and changing demographics, this supersector focuses on the changing technology and demands of these services. Employment in this supersector verified its importance with the third highest employment level of 89,000 by final 2001 benchmark. With preliminary 2002 numbers, the supersector had the largest over-the-year increase in employment of 3,300, and employment had surpassed Manufacturing.

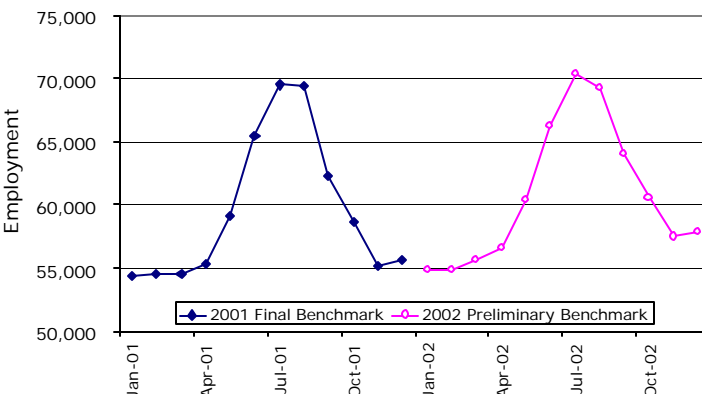
Educational Services

These facilities provide instruction and training by specialized institutions. Final 2001 numbers placed employment at 20,200. With occupations demanding more specialized training and a growing population, the need for education showed as the preliminary 2002 number grew by 1,100 to 21,300.

Health Care and Social Assistance

This sector includes establishments that provide health care and social assistance for individuals. Final 2001 benchmark placed employment at 68,700 and this expanded to 71,000 with preliminary 2002 numbers. This 2,300 job increase was primarily the result of increases from the two larger subsectors, Hospitals (+1,300) and Ambulatory health care services (+900).

Leisure and Hospitality Employment



Leisure and Hospitality

This supersector includes two sectors: Arts, entertainment, and recreation and Accommodation and food services. Final 2001 benchmark measured employment at 59,500, and even with the slow economy employment grew 1,200 by preliminary 2002.

Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation

Establishments in this sector experienced very little change in their employment levels, with preliminary

2002 benchmark employment at 10,600 only 100 above final 2001 numbers.

Accommodation and Food Services

This sector will allow travel and tourism report specialists to easily access the information they need. Being the major part of the employment for the supersector, the final 2001 benchmark placed employment at 49,000. Preliminary 2002 benchmarked figures marked a 1,200 increase mostly from two subsectors – Food services and drinking places (+1,100) and Limited-service eating places (+800).

Other Services

This supersector/sector* incorporates all the other services that were not provided for elsewhere from machinery repair and servicing, death care services, pet services, to temporary parking services and dating services. Final 2001 benchmark employment was

23,600 and it dropped 1,700 through the next year to a preliminary 2002 benchmark figure of 21,900.

Government

Although typically separated from Private employment, Government is not a supersector or sector designation but actually an ownership of various establishments. These establishments can be spread throughout the entire NAICS structure, but employment is grouped together under Government. Total Government employment includes the three levels: Federal, State, and Local. Final benchmark 2001 had Government employment at 85,800. Preliminary 2002 figures had expanded to 87,900, with this increase primarily from Local Government.

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*These industries by NAICS definition are equal at both the supersector and sector level, therefore within these units the terms supersector and sector are interchangeable until further disaggregation to the subsector level.

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Area	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual Average
NEW HAMPSHIRE													
Labor Force	695,810	696,530	700,270	699,600	703,010	714,560	720,080	715,820	701,030	705,970	710,760	704,190	705,630
Employment	662,380	663,060	665,840	665,910	671,060	680,350	688,300	681,880	669,320	673,940	675,840	670,490	672,360
Unemployment	33,430	33,470	34,430	33,690	31,950	34,210	31,780	33,940	31,710	32,030	34,920	33,700	33,270
Rate	4.8%	4.8%	4.9%	4.8%	4.5%	4.8%	4.4%	4.7%	4.5%	4.5%	4.9%	4.8%	4.7%
BELKNAP COUNTY													
Labor Force	29,470	29,490	29,760	29,720	30,820	32,460	30,630	30,380	29,680	29,680	29,710	29,310	30,090
Employment	28,170	28,210	28,360	28,500	29,770	31,040	29,560	29,250	28,690	28,710	28,610	28,190	28,920
Unemployment	1,300	1,280	1,400	1,220	1,050	1,420	1,070	1,130	990	970	1,100	1,120	1,170
Rate	4.4%	4.3%	4.7%	4.1%	3.4%	4.4%	3.5%	3.7%	3.3%	3.3%	3.7%	3.8%	3.9%
CARROLL COUNTY													
Labor Force	22,550	22,610	22,650	22,100	22,490	23,930	23,410	23,160	22,670	22,730	22,800	22,420	22,790
Employment	21,740	21,780	21,700	21,120	21,680	23,060	22,700	22,430	22,030	22,080	21,990	21,630	21,990
Unemployment	810	830	950	980	810	870	710	730	640	650	810	790	800
Rate	3.6%	3.7%	4.2%	4.4%	3.6%	3.7%	3.0%	3.1%	2.8%	2.9%	3.6%	3.5%	3.5%
CHESHIRE COUNTY													
Labor Force	39,190	39,530	39,420	38,860	38,510	39,200	39,900	39,700	39,150	39,490	39,650	39,780	39,360
Employment	37,850	38,120	38,090	37,400	37,240	37,840	38,690	38,330	37,840	38,310	38,330	38,380	38,030
Unemployment	1,340	1,410	1,330	1,460	1,270	1,360	1,210	1,370	1,310	1,180	1,320	1,400	1,330
Rate	3.4%	3.6%	3.4%	3.7%	3.3%	3.5%	3.0%	3.5%	3.3%	3.0%	3.3%	3.5%	3.4%
COOS COUNTY													
Labor Force	16,970	16,740	16,900	16,540	16,900	17,450	17,010	16,710	16,380	16,350	16,620	16,410	16,740
Employment	15,290	15,200	15,300	14,770	15,430	16,280	15,980	15,820	15,520	15,520	15,470	15,230	15,480
Unemployment	1,680	1,540	1,600	1,770	1,470	1,170	1,030	890	860	830	1,150	1,180	1,260
Rate	9.9%	9.2%	9.4%	10.7%	8.7%	6.7%	6.0%	5.3%	5.3%	5.1%	6.9%	7.2%	7.5%
GRAFTON COUNTY													
Labor Force	44,390	44,750	44,580	43,860	44,670	45,720	46,710	46,600	45,570	45,820	45,770	45,130	45,300
Employment	43,390	43,610	43,470	42,660	43,390	44,630	45,810	45,610	44,720	44,980	44,680	44,190	44,260
Unemployment	1,000	1,140	1,110	1,200	1,280	1,090	900	990	850	840	1,090	940	1,040
Rate	2.3%	2.6%	2.5%	2.7%	2.9%	2.4%	1.9%	2.1%	1.9%	1.8%	2.4%	2.1%	2.3%
HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY													
Labor Force	214,600	213,420	215,000	215,150	214,690	217,550	217,300	216,940	212,740	215,310	217,030	216,610	215,530
Employment	202,970	201,950	203,140	203,510	203,590	205,690	206,260	204,860	201,330	203,690	204,770	204,790	203,880
Unemployment	11,630	11,470	11,860	11,640	11,100	11,860	11,040	12,080	11,410	11,620	12,260	11,820	11,650
Rate	5.4%	5.4%	5.5%	5.4%	5.2%	5.5%	5.1%	5.6%	5.4%	5.4%	5.6%	5.5%	5.4%
MERRIMACK COUNTY													
Labor Force	79,630	79,930	80,380	80,210	80,630	80,820	82,940	82,280	80,550	80,690	80,780	79,700	80,720
Employment	76,940	77,200	77,610	77,810	78,300	78,160	80,510	79,720	78,240	78,360	78,170	77,200	78,190
Unemployment	2,690	2,730	2,770	2,400	2,330	2,660	2,430	2,560	2,310	2,330	2,610	2,500	2,530
Rate	3.4%	3.4%	3.4%	3.0%	2.9%	3.3%	2.9%	3.1%	2.9%	2.9%	3.2%	3.1%	3.1%
ROCKINGHAM COUNTY													
Labor Force	168,560	168,790	169,850	171,060	171,660	173,720	175,750	174,280	170,470	171,560	173,200	171,570	171,700
Employment	158,770	159,070	159,970	161,260	162,200	163,530	165,850	163,630	160,370	161,290	162,350	160,910	161,600
Unemployment	9,790	9,720	9,880	9,800	9,460	10,190	9,900	10,650	10,100	10,270	10,850	10,660	10,100
Rate	5.8%	5.8%	5.8%	5.7%	5.5%	5.9%	5.6%	6.1%	5.9%	6.0%	6.3%	6.2%	5.9%
STRAFFORD COUNTY													
Labor Force	59,570	60,360	60,830	61,330	61,970	62,750	64,610	64,130	62,580	63,050	63,920	62,280	62,280
Employment	56,920	57,540	57,860	58,670	59,250	59,700	61,630	61,130	59,860	60,210	60,800	59,580	59,430
Unemployment	2,650	2,820	2,970	2,660	2,720	3,050	2,980	3,000	2,720	2,840	3,120	2,700	2,850
Rate	4.4%	4.7%	4.9%	4.3%	4.4%	4.9%	4.6%	4.7%	4.3%	4.5%	4.9%	4.3%	4.6%
SULLIVAN COUNTY													
Labor Force	20,870	20,910	20,910	20,770	20,690	20,960	21,800	21,670	21,250	21,300	21,290	21,010	21,120
Employment	20,330	20,380	20,350	20,200	20,210	20,420	21,300	21,120	20,730	20,790	20,690	20,420	20,580
Unemployment	540	530	560	570	480	540	500	550	520	510	600	590	540
Rate	2.6%	2.5%	2.7%	2.8%	2.3%	2.6%	2.3%	2.5%	2.5%	2.4%	2.8%	2.8%	2.6%

2002 Benchmarked Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS)

The Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS) program uses Current Employment Statistics (CES) numbers, combined with the most recent population estimates, to benchmark labor force estimates for the state and substate areas. The benchmarking process revises the monthly estimates for the labor force, employment, and unemployment rate.

New Hampshire's not seasonally adjusted average annual unemployment rate for 2002* was benchmarked at 4.7 percent, the sixteenth lowest rate in the U.S. This was an increase from the 2001 rate of 3.5 percent which was ranked eighth lowest after revisions. With the 2002 benchmark, average annual employment was 672,360, unemployment was 33,270, and labor force was 705,630. Compared to 2001*, employment was down 3,160; unemployment was up 8,620; and total labor force was up 5,460.

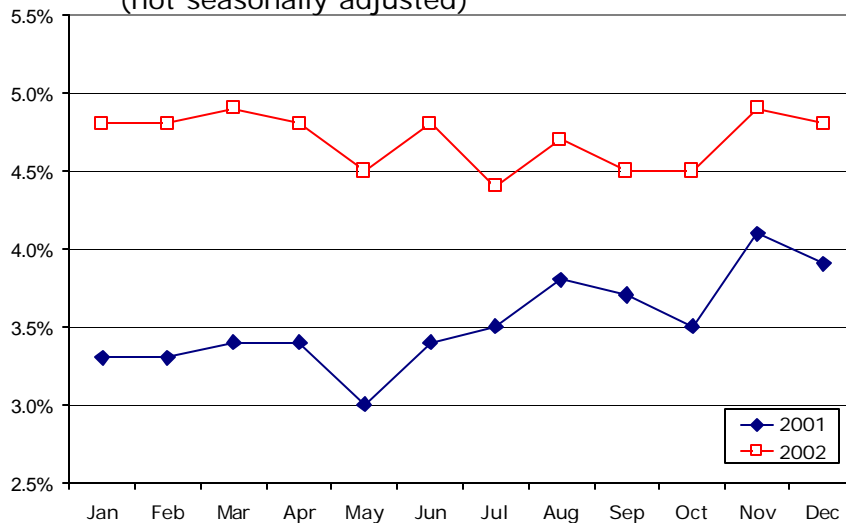
Benchmarked not seasonally adjusted unemployment rates for the first half of 2002 were at least 1.4 percentage points higher than they had been during the same months in 2001*. During the latter half of the year, although each month was still higher than 2001, the differences ranged from 0.8 to 1.0 points higher.

In 2002, only three months, September, October, and November, had higher employment numbers when compared to the 2001 figures. As is typical, employment peaked in July with 688,000 employed. That was 1,400 fewer than in July 2001. At the same time the total labor force numbers were higher in every month of 2002 compared to 2001.

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*2001 revised and 2002 preliminary benchmark figures are pending final review by the Bureau of Labor Statistics, Washington, D.C. and are subject to change.

Unemployment Rates for New Hampshire
(not seasonally adjusted)



About CES

In order to gauge the state's economy in a timely manner, CES estimates employment each month from a sample of New Hampshire employers. Because it is based on a sample, the data is necessarily incomplete. At the end of each calendar year, CES employment estimates are revised, or benchmarked. The benchmark integrates the latest covered employment numbers from payroll reports submitted quarterly to New Hampshire Employment Security by New Hampshire employers subject to unemployment compensa-

tion law. The benchmark process allows an opportunity to adjust sample-based estimates to actual counts of jobs with New Hampshire employers. The resulting product offers a more accurate picture of the New Hampshire economy than could be achieved with sample-based estimates alone.

If you have any questions concerning this report, please contact Bernhard McKay, Labor Market Analyst, at 603-228-4127.

About LAUS

The Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS) program produces monthly estimates of the number of employed residents and the number of unemployed residents in the state's labor force. The sum of these is the civilian labor force. The unemployment rate is calculated by dividing the number unemployed by the total labor force.

Two regression models specific to New Hampshire are used. They extract data from three major sources: the Current Population Survey (CPS), the Current Employment Statistics program (CES), and Unemployment Insurance (UI) data.

CPS -The primary input is data from the monthly survey of New Hampshire households conducted by the U.S. Census Bureau. The LAUS process measures all the unemployed,

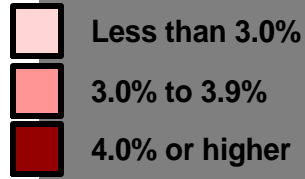
even those who do not collect unemployment compensation benefits.

CES -These estimates gauge total employment levels of nonagricultural jobs in New Hampshire.

UI -Additional inputs come from the number of continued claimants of Unemployment Insurance who had no earnings in a specific week.

New Hampshire LAUS benchmarking for 2001 is complete, but will not be official until the data, along with that of the other states, is reviewed by the Bureau of Labor Statistics in Washington, D.C. This review process ensures comparability of estimates between states.

2002 Preliminary Benchmark Unemployment Rates



2001 Final Benchmark Unemployment Rates

