

New Hampshire Economic Conditions

October 2013

National Disability Employment Awareness Month

“Because We Are *EQUAL* to the Task” is the theme of the October 2013 National Disability Employment Awareness Month. The U.S. Department of Labor’s Office of Disability Employment Policy picked the theme because it reflects the reality that people with disabilities have the education, training, experience and desire to be successful in the workplace.¹

New Hampshire’s Disabled Population

There were 153,863 people with a disability living in New Hampshire in 2012. They represented 11.8 percent of the noninstitutionalized population. Disabilities include having difficulty seeing or hearing, and difficulty having speech understood. It also includes difficulties walking, bathing, dressing, eating, preparing meals, going outside the home or doing housework. Conditions and diseases like Alzheimer’s, dementia, autism, cerebral palsy, dyslexia, and frequent depression or anxiousness can be considered disabilities as well.

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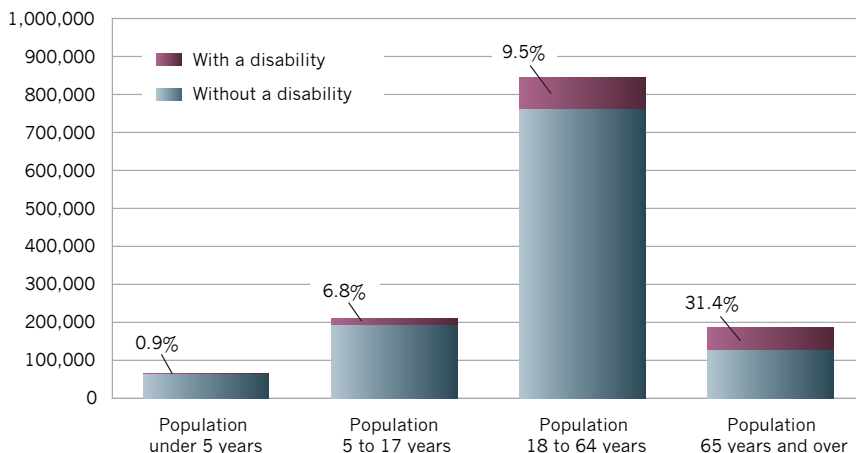
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New Hampshire Disability Status by Select Age Groups



Source: 2012 American Community Survey, 1-year estimates

Older people were more likely to be affected by a disability than younger residents. Among New Hampshire residents, less than one percent of people under 5 years old had a disability. Almost seven percent of those ages 5 to 17 years had a disability, while over nine percent of individuals ages 18 to 64 years had a disability of some nature. The age group with the largest share of individuals with a disability, 31.4 percent, were those age 65 years and older.

In New Hampshire, males held a slightly higher share of population with a disability than females, 12.0 percent of males versus 11.5 percent of the female population.²

Median earnings in the previous 12 months for disabled people with earnings were \$20,990, while those without a disability had median earnings of \$34,201. Disabled males had median earnings of \$23,677, slightly higher than disabled females, who had median earnings of \$18,067.³

1. US Department of Labor. News Release 5/23/2013. “US Labor Department’s Office of Disability Employment Policy announces theme for National Disability Employment Awareness Month October 2013.” <<http://www.dol.gov/opa/media/press/odep/odep20131020.htm>>.
2. American Community Survey, 1-year estimates. Table S1810: Disability Characteristics and Table B18120: Employment Status by Disability Status and Type.
3. American Community Survey Table B18140: Median Earnings In The Past 12 Months (In 2011 Inflation-Adjusted Dollars) By Disability Status By Sex for the Civilian Noninstitutionalized Population 16 Years and Over with Earnings.

Employment Status of Persons with Specific Disabilities

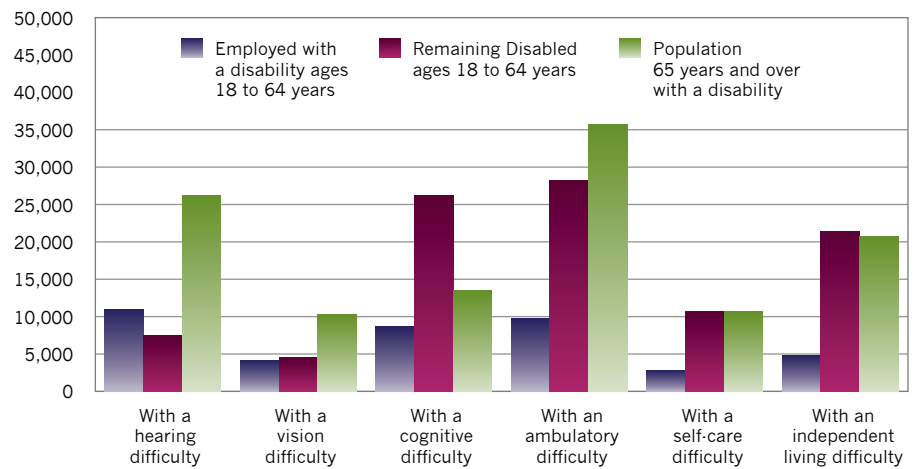
Some disabilities are easily defined and can be tracked. Individuals with multiple disabilities are counted in each disability category that affects them, meaning that individuals may be counted in multiple categories. Assessing specific disability and employment status for those ages 18 to 64 years provides insight into how disabilities affect employability, as persons in that age group are most likely to be labor force participants.

In New Hampshire, there were 844,500 people in this working age cohort. Almost 80,500 of them were affected by some type of disability, or about 9.5 percent of those ages 18 to 64 years. However, over half of all disabled people in the state were in this cohort.

The most common disability among those in this age group was ambulatory difficulty, or serious problems walking or climbing stairs. About 38,000 people in the 18 to 64 years age group had this disability, and among them, almost 10,000 were employed during the year.

Cognitive problems affected about 35,000 disabled persons ages 18 to 64 years in New Hampshire. Cognition is the act of knowing or thinking, and includes people who have serious difficulty concentrating, remembering or making decisions because of a physical, mental or emotional condition. Over 8,350 people with this disability held a job in 2012.

Employment Status of Disabled New Hampshire Residents



Source: 2012 American Community Survey, 1-year estimates

Individuals experiencing difficulty doing errands alone, such as going to a doctor’s office or shopping, are in the category of independent living difficulty. More than 26,200 people in New Hampshire ages 18 to 64 years were affected with this condition. Among those with independent living difficulties, 4,800 were employed.

Serious hearing problems affected 18,400 persons, and 13,500 people required the assistance of others to perform self-care activities such as dressing and bathing. Over 11,000 of individuals with serious hearing problems and 2,800 of those with self-care difficulties were employed at some time during the year.

About 8,700 people were blind or had serious vision problems, and almost half of them held a job in 2012.⁴

The theme of the 2013 National Disability Employment Awareness Month is clearly reflected among New Hampshire’s disabled population. The working age cohort, between 18 and 64 years, accounts for over 50 percent of the disabled population. Almost 40 percent of those disabled workers, representing 30,500 disabled individuals, participated in the state’s workforce in 2012.

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4. American Community Survey, 1-year estimates. Table S1810: Disability Characteristics and Table B18120: Employment Status by Disability Status and Type.

Seasonally Adjusted Estimates

Unemployment Estimates by Region

Seasonally Adjusted	Aug-13	Jul-13	Aug-12
United States	7.3%	7.4%	8.1%
Northeast	7.7%	7.6%	8.3%
New England	7.3%	7.2%	7.4%
Connecticut	8.1%	8.1%	8.6%
Maine	7.0%	6.9%	7.3%
Massachusetts	7.2%	7.2%	6.8%
New Hampshire	5.0%	5.1%	5.7%
Rhode Island	9.1%	8.9%	10.4%
Vermont	4.6%	4.6%	5.2%
Mid Atlantic	7.9%	7.7%	8.7%
New Jersey	8.5%	8.6%	9.7%
New York	7.6%	7.5%	8.6%
Pennsylvania	7.7%	7.5%	8.1%

Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS) by Place of Residence

New Hampshire	Mar-13	Apr-13	May-13	Jun-13	Jul-13	Aug-13
Unemployment Rate	5.7%	5.5%	5.3%	5.1%	5.1%	5.0%
Civilian Labor Force	744,620	744,190	744,660	743,440	742,660	741,890
Number Employed	701,920	703,160	704,970	705,220	704,860	704,740
Number Unemployed	42,700	41,030	39,690	38,220	37,800	37,150
United States (in thousands)						
Unemployment Rate	7.6%	7.5%	7.6%	7.6%	7.4%	7.3%
Civilian Labor Force	155,028	155,238	155,658	155,835	155,798	155,486
Number Employed	143,286	143,579	143,898	144,058	144,285	144,170
Number Unemployed	11,742	11,659	11,760	11,777	11,514	11,316

Current Employment Statistics (CES) by Place of Establishment

Sector	Number of Jobs			Change from Previous	
	Aug-13	Jul-13	Aug-12	Month	Year
Total Nonfarm	639,500	640,500	634,200	-1,000	5,300
Total Private	548,300	551,500	541,700	-3,200	6,600
Mining and Logging	900	900	900	0	0
Construction	23,100	23,600	21,800	-500	1,300
Manufacturing	65,900	66,200	65,800	-300	100
Durable Goods	50,800	51,200	50,000	-400	800
Non-Durable Goods	15,100	15,000	15,800	100	-700
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	133,600	133,900	136,000	-300	-2,400
Wholesale Trade	26,400	26,100	26,800	300	-400
Retail Trade	93,700	94,000	94,500	-300	-800
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	13,500	13,800	14,700	-300	-1,200
Information	11,700	11,700	12,000	0	-300
Financial Activities	36,000	36,400	35,200	-400	800
Professional and Business Services	69,600	70,700	68,500	-1,100	1,100
Professional, Scientific, and Technical	30,000	30,300	30,600	-300	-600
Administrative and Support	31,500	32,400	29,700	-900	1,800
Education and Health Services	117,200	117,100	114,400	100	2,800
Educational Services	30,800	30,800	28,700	0	2,100
Health Care and Social Assistance	86,400	86,300	85,700	100	700
Leisure and Hospitality	67,700	68,800	64,300	-1,100	3,400
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	11,600	12,000	11,000	-400	600
Accommodation and Food Services	56,100	56,800	53,300	-700	2,800
Other Services	22,600	22,200	22,800	400	-200
Government	91,200	89,000	92,500	2,200	-1,300
Federal Government	7,200	7,300	7,300	-100	-100
State Government	25,200	25,300	24,700	-100	500
Local Government	58,800	56,400	60,500	2,400	-1,700

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Prior data and area data are available on our Web site at www.nhes.nh.gov/elmi/statistics/ces-data.htm

Not Seasonally Adjusted Estimates by Place of Residence

Labor Force Estimates

New Hampshire	Aug-13	Jul-13	Aug-12
Total Civilian Labor Force	750,980	755,850	749,200
Employed	714,600	717,420	706,740
Unemployed	36,380	38,430	42,460
Unemployment Rate	4.8%	5.1%	5.7%

United States (# in thousands)	Aug-13	Jul-13	Aug-12
Total Civilian Labor Force	155,971	157,196	155,255
Employed	144,509	145,113	142,558
Unemployed	11,462	12,083	12,696
Unemployment Rate	7.3%	7.7%	8.2%

Unemployment Rates by Region

Not Seasonally Adjusted	Aug-13	Jul-13	Aug-12
United States	7.3%	7.7%	8.2%
Northeast	7.6%	7.7%	8.3%
New England	7.0%	7.2%	7.3%
Connecticut	8.1%	8.4%	8.8%
Maine	6.3%	6.6%	6.5%
Massachusetts	6.8%	7.2%	6.7%
New Hampshire	4.8%	5.1%	5.7%
Rhode Island	9.4%	9.3%	10.4%
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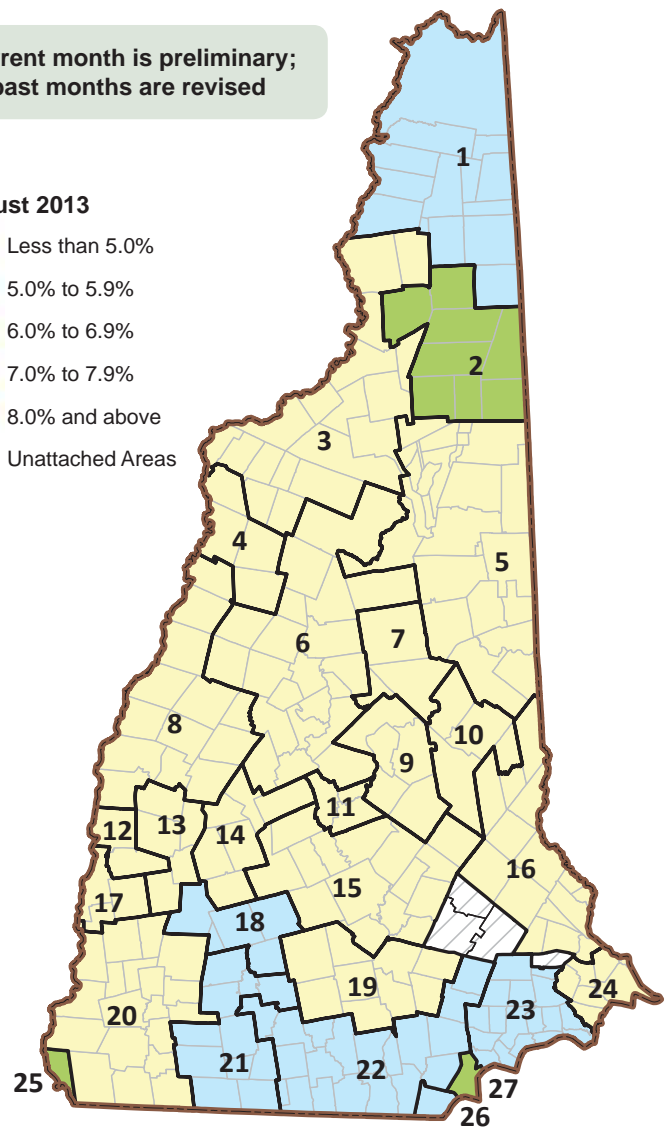
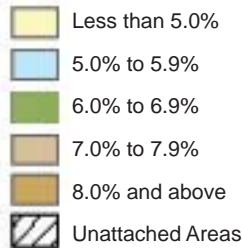
Unemployment Rates by Area

Counties	Aug-13	Jul-13	Aug-12
Belknap	4.3%	4.7%	5.1%
Carroll	4.0%	4.2%	4.3%
Cheshire	4.8%	5.1%	5.8%
Coos	5.4%	5.9%	7.2%
Grafton	3.8%	4.2%	4.5%
Hillsborough	5.1%	5.4%	6.0%
Merrimack	4.3%	4.6%	5.1%
Rockingham	5.3%	5.4%	6.1%
Strafford	4.9%	5.1%	5.8%
Sullivan	4.1%	4.4%	4.9%

Map Key	Labor Market Areas	Aug-13	Jul-13	Aug-12
1	Colebrook NH-VT LMA, NH Portion	5.5%	6.0%	6.9%
2	Berlin NH MicroNECTA	6.4%	6.7%	8.3%
3	Littleton NH-VT LMA, NH Portion	3.9%	4.2%	5.0%
4	Haverhill NH LMA	4.7%	5.2%	5.6%
5	Conway NH-ME LMA, NH Portion	4.2%	4.4%	4.5%
6	Plymouth NH LMA	4.6%	4.8%	5.1%
7	Moultonborough NH LMA	2.9%	3.0%	3.3%
8	Lebanon NH-VT MicroNECTA, NH Portion	3.2%	3.7%	3.8%
9	Laconia NH MicroNECTA	4.4%	4.8%	5.2%
10	Wolfeboro NH LMA	3.7%	3.9%	4.1%
11	Franklin NH MicroNECTA	4.5%	4.7%	5.2%
12	Claremont NH MicroNECTA	3.9%	4.3%	5.1%
13	Newport NH LMA	4.8%	5.0%	5.7%
14	New London NH LMA	4.2%	4.6%	5.0%
15	Concord NH MicroNECTA	4.3%	4.6%	5.1%
16	Rochester-Dover NH-ME MetroNECTA, NH Portion	4.9%	5.1%	5.7%
17	Charlestown NH LMA	4.7%	4.9%	5.2%
18	Hillsborough NH LMA	5.3%	5.7%	6.2%
19	Manchester NH MetroNECTA	4.8%	5.1%	5.8%
20	Keene NH MicroNECTA	4.6%	4.9%	5.5%
21	Peterborough NH LMA	5.3%	5.5%	6.2%
22	Nashua NH-MA NECTA Division, NH Portion	5.2%	5.4%	6.0%
23	Exeter Area, NH Portion, Haverhill-N. Andover-Amesbury MA-NH NECTA Division	5.7%	6.0%	6.8%
24	Portsmouth NH-ME MetroNECTA, NH Portion	4.4%	4.5%	4.9%
25	Hinsdale Town, NH Portion, Brattleboro VT-NH LMA	6.7%	6.7%	7.0%
26	Pelham Town, NH Portion, Lowell-Billerica-Chelmsford MA-NH NECTA Division	5.9%	6.9%	6.7%
27	Salem Town, NH Portion, Lawrence-Methuen-Salem MA-NH NECTA Division	6.8%	7.0%	8.1%

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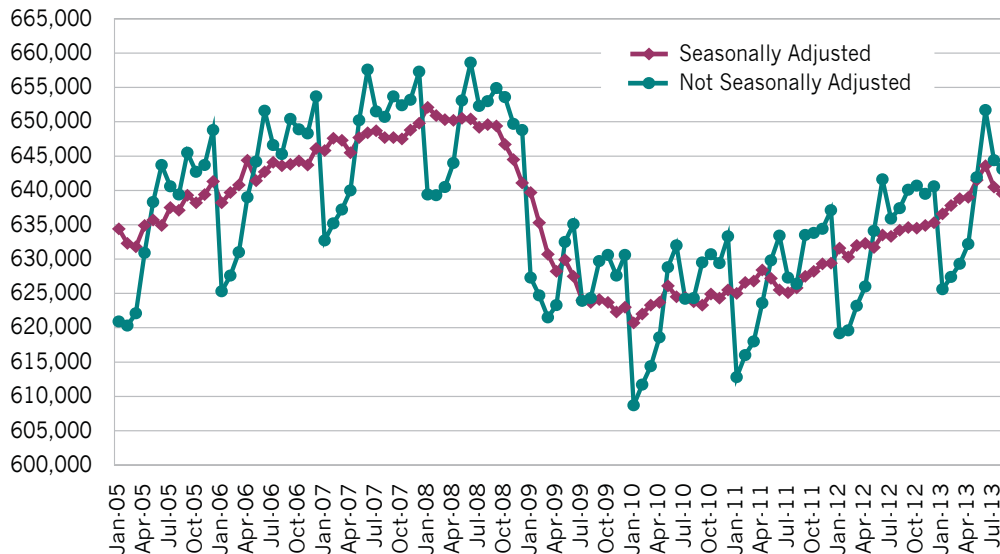
New Hampshire unemployment and labor force estimates are calculated using a regression model which depends on Current Population Survey (CPS) estimates. Labor Market Area estimates are calculated using the Bureau of Labor Statistics "Handbook Method" and then adjusted to the State levels.

Monthly Analysis of Current Employment Statistics (CES)

New Hampshire Nonfarm Employment Statewide Not Seasonally Adjusted

	Number of Jobs			Change from previous:	
	Aug-13 preliminary	Jul-13 revised	Aug-12	Month	Year
Total All Supersectors	643,100	644,400	637,400	-1,300	5,700
Private Employment Total	562,800	565,700	557,000	-2,900	5,800
Mining and Logging	1,000	1,000	1,000	0	0
Construction	24,700	25,100	23,600	-400	1,100
Manufacturing	66,600	66,500	66,300	100	300
Durable Goods	51,100	51,100	50,300	0	800
Non-Durable Goods	15,500	15,400	16,000	100	-500
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	136,100	136,500	137,300	-400	-1,200
Wholesale Trade	26,900	26,700	27,000	200	-100
Retail Trade	95,700	96,100	95,800	-400	-100
Transportation and Utilities	13,500	13,700	14,500	-200	-1,000
Information	11,800	11,800	12,200	0	-400
Financial Activities	36,500	36,800	35,700	-300	800
Professional and Business	70,500	71,300	69,700	-800	800
Education and Health	114,500	114,900	112,700	-400	1,800
Leisure and Hospitality	78,100	79,100	75,000	-1,000	3,100
Other Services	23,000	22,700	23,500	300	-500
Government Total	80,300	78,700	80,400	1,600	-100
Federal Government	7,300	7,400	7,300	-100	0
State Government	22,900	22,900	22,200	0	700
Local Government	50,100	48,400	50,900	1,700	-800

Total Nonfarm Employment Trend for August 2013

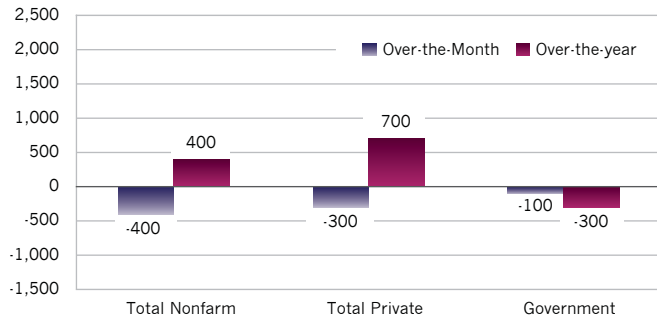


Not Seasonally Adjusted Estimates by Place of Establishment

Nonfarm Employment by Metropolitan Statistical Areas

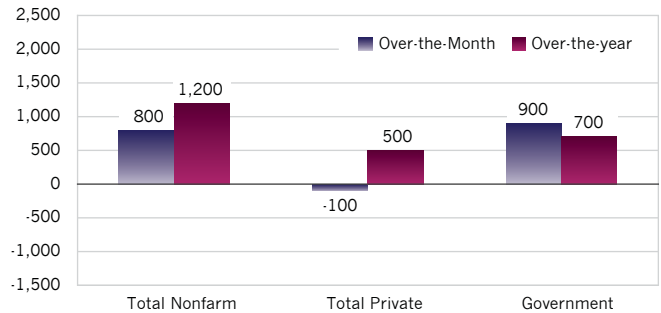
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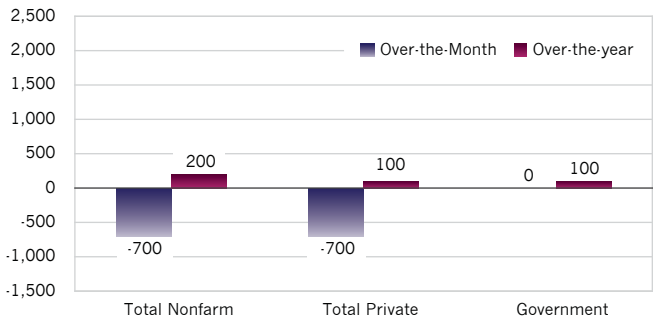
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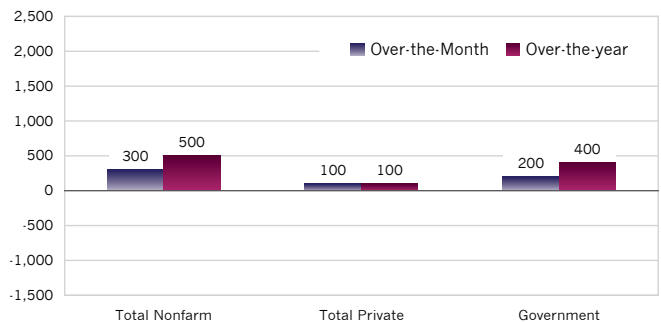
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Rochester-Dover NH-ME NECTA

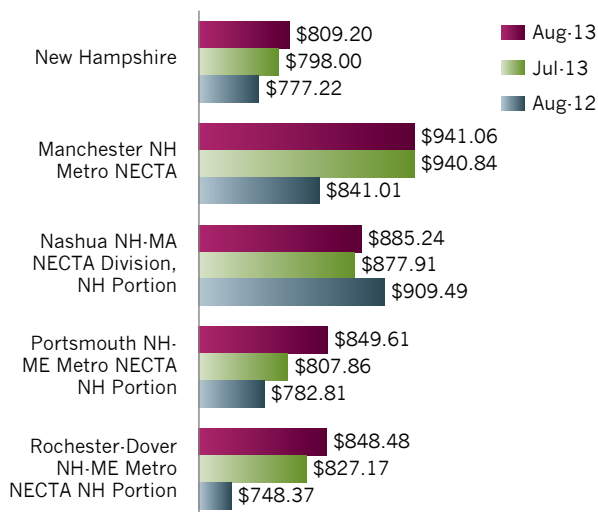
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Average Weekly Earnings Data

All Employees Average Weekly Earnings

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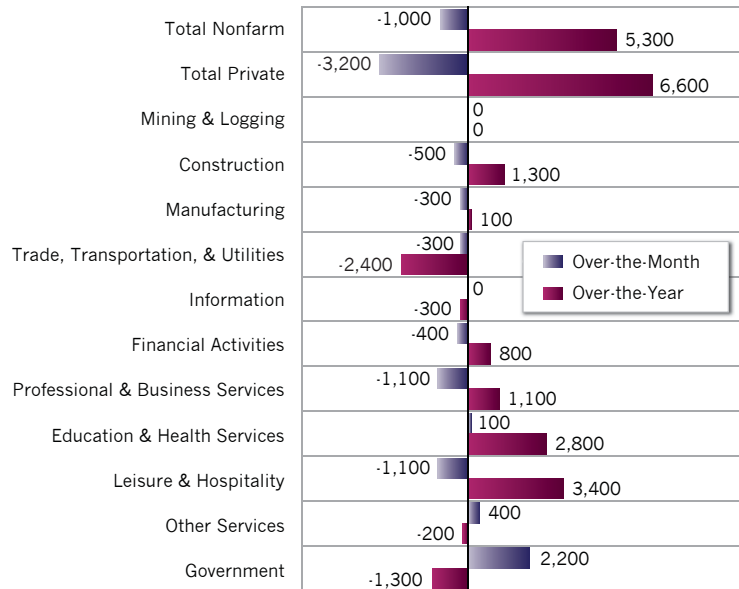


Sector data for the four areas and hours and earnings data are available on our web site: www.nhes.nh.gov/elmi/statistics/ces-data.htm

Seasonally Adjusted Statistical Analysis of Nonfarm Employment

- Preliminary seasonally adjusted nonfarm employment decreased by 1,000 jobs from July 2013 to August 2013. All of this loss was in the private sector.
- Over-the-month, government added 2,200 jobs. This growth can be attributed to local government teachers heading back to work for the start of another school year.
- Between August 2012 and August 2013 seasonally adjusted nonfarm employment increased by 5,300 jobs. All of this growth was in the private sector.
- Leisure and hospitality claimed a little over half of the over-the-year growth in the private sector.

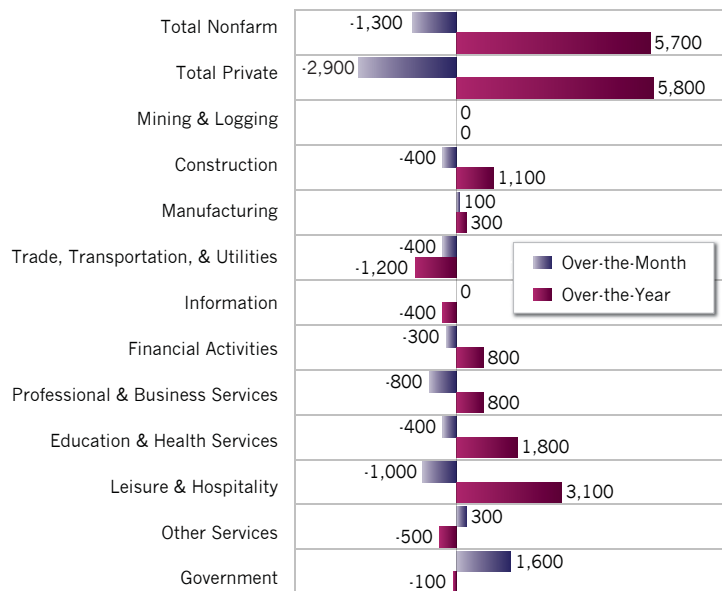
Seasonally Adjusted August 2013 Change



Not Seasonally Adjusted Statistical Analysis of Nonfarm Employment

- Between July 2013 and August 2013 preliminary not seasonally adjusted nonfarm employment decreased by 1,300 jobs. This loss can be attributed to the job loss in the private sector.
- Over one third of the loss in the private sector was in leisure and hospitality.
- Over-the-year, not seasonally adjusted employment increased by 5,700 jobs. All of this growth was in the private sector.
- Eighty-five percent of the over-the-year growth in the private sector was from two sectors, leisure and hospitality and private education and health services.

Not Seasonally Adjusted August 2013 Change



For further analysis, see the *Detailed Monthly Analysis of Industry Employment Data* on our web site: www.nhes.nh.gov/elmi/statistics/ces-data.htm

Unemployment Compensation Claims Activity

	Mar-13	Apr-13	May-13	Jun-13	Jul-13	Aug-13
Initial Claims	4,419	5,111	3,638	4,464	4,114	3,398
Continued Weeks Claimed	49,210	40,311	31,254	31,697	35,420	30,531

Consumer Price Index

United States, All Urban Consumers, Not Seasonally Adjusted (CPI-U) (1982-1984=100)				
Aug-13	Jul-13	Aug-12	Change from Previous	
			Month	Year
233.877	233.596	230.379	0.1%	1.5%

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