

This fact sheet presents recent **employment and unemployment** figures for the Newark-Union Metropolitan Division, New Jersey, and the United States. In addition, pay indexes for the larger metropolitan area that includes Newark-Union 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	March 2011	March 2012	Percent change
All Urban Consumers			
U.S. City Average	223.467	229.392	2.7
Northeast	239.074	245.125	2.5
New York-Northern N.J.-Long Island	245.617	251.887	2.6
Urban Wage Earners & Clerical Workers			
U.S. City Average	220.024	226.304	2.9
Northeast	237.377	243.768	2.7
New York-Northern N.J.-Long Island	241.667	248.152	2.7

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

Index and area	March 2011	March 2012	Percent change
Total Compensation			
United States	113.3	115.7	2.1
Northeast	114.4	116.5	1.8
New York-Newark-Bridgeport	-	-	1.8
Wages and Salaries			
United States	113.2	115.3	1.9
Northeast	113.7	115.8	1.8
New York-Newark-Bridgeport	-	-	1.5

Note: Dash indicates data not available.

Producer Price Indexes, United States (1982 = 100)

Index	March 2011	March 2012(p)	Percent change
Finished goods	189.1	194.4	2.8
All commodities	199.2	204.3	2.6
Industrial commodities	200.4	205.1	2.3

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

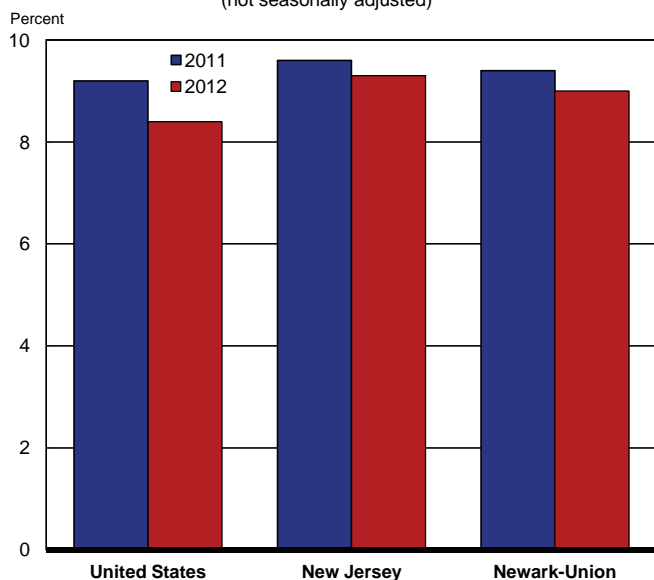
Area	March 2011	March 2012(p)	Net change	Percent change
United States	14,060	12,904	-1,156.0	-8.2
New Jersey	433.6	424.5	-9.1	-2.1
Newark-Union	103.7	99.6	-4.2	-4.0

Median annual wages in Newark-Union

Occupational group	May 2011
All occupations	\$42,040
Office and administrative support	35,890
Sales and related	29,970
Education, training, and library	53,560
Transportation and material moving	29,880
Business and financial operations	71,960
Food preparation and serving related	20,730
Management	122,270
Healthcare practitioners and technical	74,350
Production	32,770

Note: All occupations include groups not shown separately.

Unemployment rates, United States, New Jersey, and Newark-Union Metropolitan Division, March 2011 and 2012 (not seasonally adjusted)



Nonfarm payroll employment (in thousands)

Area	March 2011	March 2012(p)	Net change	Percent change
United States	130,061.0	132,010.0	1,949.0	1.5
New Jersey	3,793.4	3,834.8	41.4	1.1
Newark-Union	954.1	963.3	9.2	1.0

Payroll employment in Newark-Union by major industry sector (in thousands)

Industry	March 2011	March 2012(p)	Net change
Total nonfarm	954.1	963.3	9.2
Mining, logging, and construction	29.4	30.4	1.0
Manufacturing	68.0	66.6	-1.4
Trade, transportation and utilities	195.4	199.6	4.2
Information	17.7	16.6	-1.1
Financial activities	66.5	69.3	2.8
Professional and business services	160.1	163.7	3.6
Education and health services	146.1	147.2	1.1
Leisure and hospitality	66.8	68.3	1.5
Other services	42.7	44.1	1.4
Government	161.4	157.5	-3.9

p = preliminary

Note: Total includes industries not shown separately.

The **Newark-Union Metropolitan Division** comprises Essex, Hunterdon, Morris, Sussex, and Union Counties in New Jersey, and Pike County in Pennsylvania. The **Northeast Census Region** comprises Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island and Vermont. New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island and Vermont.