

This fact sheet presents recent **employment and unemployment** figures for the Syracuse Metropolitan Statistical Area, New York State, 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. Data are not seasonally adjusted.

### Consumer Price Indexes (1982-84 = 100)

Index and area	March 2011	March 2012	Percent change
<b>All Urban Consumers</b>			
U.S. City Average	223.467	229.392	2.7
Northeast	239.074	245.125	2.5
<b>Urban Wage Earners &amp; Clerical Workers</b>			
U.S. City Average	220.024	226.304	2.9
Northeast	237.377	243.768	2.7

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

Index and area	March 2011	March 2012	Percent change
<b>Total Compensation</b>			
United States	113.3	115.7	2.1
Northeast	114.4	116.5	1.8
<b>Wages and Salaries</b>			
United States	113.2	115.3	1.9
Northeast	113.7	115.8	1.8

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

### Median annual wages in Syracuse

Occupational group	May 2011
All occupations	\$35,270
Office and administrative support	31,560
Sales and related	23,930
Education, training, and library	54,920
Food preparation and serving related	18,780
Production	33,220
Healthcare practitioners and technical	54,930
Transportation and material moving	30,460
Installation, maintenance, and repair	41,680
Business and financial operations	58,880

Note: All occupations include groups not shown separately.

### 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 York	773.2	829.2	56.1	7.3
Syracuse	27.1	27.9	0.8	2.8

### 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 York	8,560.1	8,708.2	148.1	1.7
Syracuse	310.2	313.0	2.8	0.9

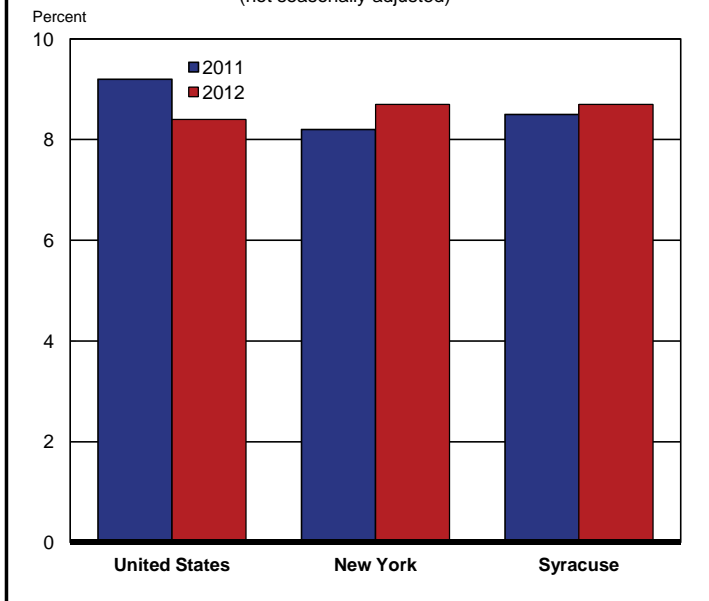
### Payroll employment in Syracuse by major industry sector (in thousands)

Industry	March 2011	March 2012(p)	Net change
Total nonfarm	310.2	313.0	2.8
Mining, logging, and construction	10.0	9.8	-0.2
Manufacturing	26.5	25.6	-0.9
Trade, transportation and utilities	60.9	62.1	1.2
Information	8.7	8.5	-0.2
Financial activities	16.9	16.7	-0.2
Professional and business services	32.8	34.5	1.7
Education and health services	61.0	60.5	-0.5
Leisure and hospitality	26.2	26.2	0.0
Other services	12.2	12.1	-0.1
Government	58.8	60.8	2.0

p = preliminary

Note: Total includes industries not shown separately.

Unemployment rates, United States, New York, and Syracuse Metropolitan Statistical Area, March 2011 and 2012 (not seasonally adjusted)



The **Syracuse Metropolitan Statistical Area** comprises Madison, Onondaga, and Oswego Counties. The **Northeast Census Region** comprises Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island and Vermont.