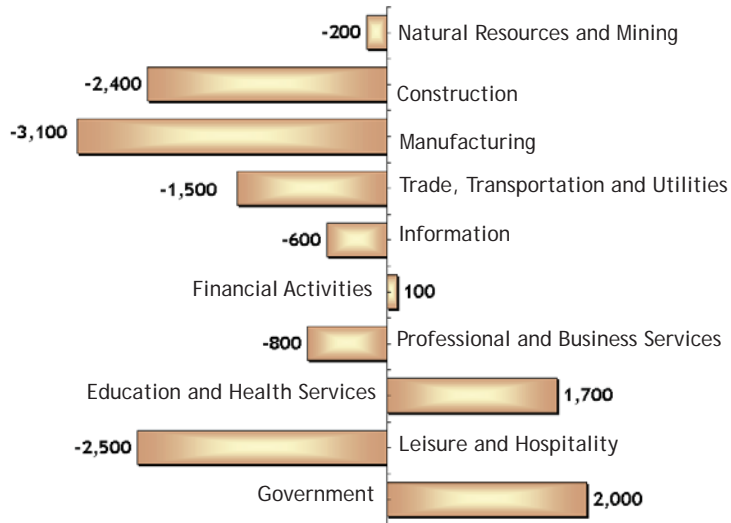


Monthly Not Seasonally Adjusted New Hampshire Nonfarm Wage and Salary Employment

Current Employment Statistics Employment by Supersector by place of establishment	Number of Jobs			Change from previous:	
	Dec-08 preliminary	Nov-08 revised	Dec-07	Month	Year
	Total All Supersectors	653,300	656,900	660,500	-3,600
Private Employment Total	552,800	557,700	562,000	-4,900	-9,200
Natural Resources and Mining	900	1,100	1,100	-200	-200
Construction	26,000	28,400	28,400	-2,400	-2,400
Manufacturing	75,200	76,100	78,300	-900	-3,100
Durable Goods	58,200	58,100	60,000	100	-1,800
Non-Durable Goods	17,000	18,000	18,300	-1,000	-1,300
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	146,500	144,600	148,000	1,900	-1,500
Wholesale Trade	28,700	28,800	28,500	-100	200
Retail Trade	102,100	100,300	103,700	1,800	-1,600
Transportation and Utilities	15,700	15,500	15,800	200	-100
Information	11,800	11,800	12,400	0	-600
Financial Activities	38,700	38,600	38,600	100	100
Professional and Business	65,800	68,700	66,600	-2,900	-800
Education and Health	107,200	108,200	105,500	-1,000	1,700
Leisure and Hospitality	58,500	57,700	61,000	800	-2,500
Other Services	22,200	22,500	22,100	-300	100
Government Total	100,500	99,200	98,500	1,300	2,000

Change in Nonfarm Employment

Dec. 07 - Dec. 08



Monthly Analysis of Current Employment Statistics (CES) Data

For further analysis please read the *Detailed Monthly Analysis of Industry Employment Data* on our Web site at <www.nh.gov/nhes/elmi/nonfarm.htm>

Seasonally Adjusted: Preliminary December seasonally adjusted employment decreased by 5,900 jobs over-the-month. From December 2007 to December 2008 employment dropped by 7,500 jobs.

Over-the-month, employers in construction (supersector 20) reported a decline of 1,700 jobs. During this same time frame, employment in manufacturing (supersector 30) dropped 1,100 jobs. Over-the-month, employment in professional and business services (supersector 60) lost 2,800 jobs. Employers in trade, transportation, and utilities

(supersector 40) and other services (supersector 80) decreased their payroll by 400 and 300 jobs respectively, from November to December.

Government (supersector 90) reported an over-the-month increase of 1,500 jobs. Employment in financial activities (supersector 55) and leisure and hospitality (supersector 70) each remained unchanged over-the-month.

Seasonally Unadjusted: Not seasonally adjusted employment decreased over-the-month, down

Monthly Unadjusted Nonfarm Wage and Salary Employment by Metropolitan Statistical Areas

Employment by Sector number of jobs by place of establishment	Manchester NH MetroNECTA			Nashua NH-MA NECTA Division			Portsmouth NH-ME MetroNECTA			Rochester-Dover NH-ME MetroNECTA		
	preliminary Dec-08	Change from previous:		preliminary Dec-08	Change from previous:		preliminary Dec-08	Change from previous:		preliminary Dec-08	Change from previous:	
		Month	Year		Month	Year		Month	Year		Month	Year
Total All Sectors	102,800	700	-100	137,000	1,100	1,000	57,000	0	900	58,900	-400	200
Private Employment Total	90,900	600	-200	121,200	800	900	47,000	0	500	45,000	-100	300
Natural Resources and Construction	4,700	-100	-200	4,800	-300	-400	1,500	-100	-100	1,900	-100	-100
Manufacturing	9,700	0	0	25,400	200	0	3,900	0	0	7,000	-100	100
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	21,100	600	-300	31,500	700	-100	11,600	200	100	11,700	200	0
Wholesale Trade	4,800	0	0	6,300	0	100	2,000	0	0	1,200	0	0
Retail Trade	13,000	200	-400	21,000	600	-300	8,400	200	100	9,400	200	-100
Transportation, Warehousing and Utilities	Data not available			4,200	100	100	1,200	0	0	1,100	0	100
Information	3,400	0	100	2,200	0	0	1,900	0	0	1,100	0	0
Financial Activities	8,400	100	-100	9,200	0	300	4,900	0	0	3,000	0	0
Professional and Business	13,100	-100	-200	15,600	200	700	9,100	-100	100	4,800	-100	100
Education and Health	17,300	0	300	17,600	100	400	5,800	0	100	8,200	0	100
Leisure and Hospitality	8,500	100	0	10,500	-100	0	6,900	0	300	5,500	0	100
Other Services	4,700	0	200	4,400	0	0	1,400	0	0	1,800	0	0
Government Total	11,900	100	100	15,800	300	100	10,000	0	400	13,900	-300	-100

Average Earnings and Hours of Production Workers in Manufacturing

Sector	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Dec-08 preliminary	Nov-08 revised	Dec-07	Dec-08 preliminary	Nov-08 revised	Dec-07	Dec-08 preliminary	Nov-08 revised	Dec-07
New Hampshire									
All Manufacturing	\$653.00	\$669.13	\$697.82	37.4	38.5	40.5	\$17.46	\$17.38	\$17.23
Durable Goods	\$667.22	\$686.15	\$730.80	37.4	38.7	42.0	\$17.84	\$17.73	\$17.40
Nondurable Goods	\$606.13	\$619.40	\$592.98	37.3	38.0	35.7	\$16.25	\$16.30	\$16.61

3,600 jobs. From December 2007 to December 2008 employment declined by 7,200 jobs.

Professional and business services (supersector 60) saw a loss of 2,900 jobs over-the-month. Employers in construction (supersector 20) accounted for a drop of 2,400 jobs from November to December. Education and health services (supersector 65) saw a decrease of 1,000 jobs during this same time frame. Manufacturing (supersector 30) and other services (supersector 80) each recorded a payroll reduction, 900 and 300 respectively.

On the positive side, trade, transportation, and utilities (supersector 40) showed an increase of 1,900 jobs over-the-month. Government (supersector 90) posted a growth of 1,300 jobs from November to December. Employers in leisure and hospitality (supersector 70) and financial activities (supersector 50) added 800 and 100 jobs, respectively, over-the-month.

Employment in information (supersector 50) remained unchanged over-the-month.

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