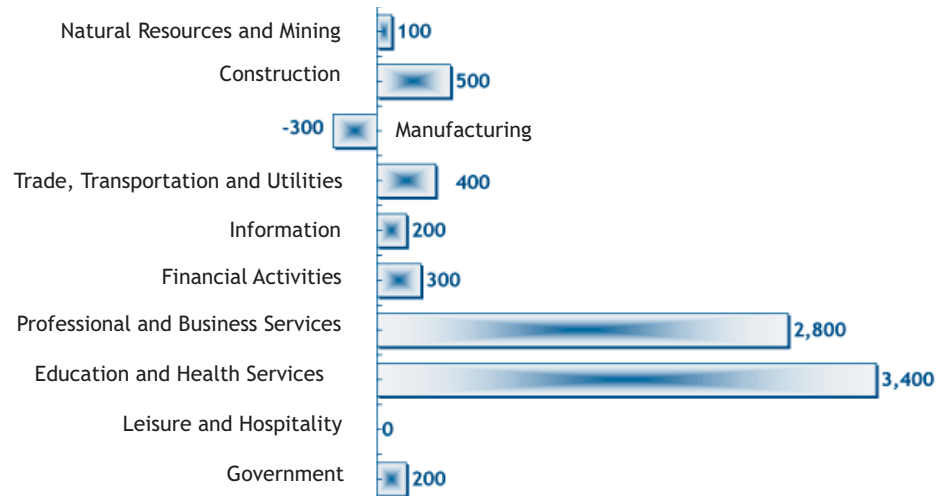


Monthly Not Seasonally Adjusted New Hampshire Nonfarm Wage and Salary Employment

Current Employment Statistics Employment by Supersector by place of establishment	Number of Jobs			Change from previous:	
	Mar-08 preliminary	Feb-08 revised	Mar-07	Month	Year
	Total All Supersectors	645,100	642,200	635,800	2,900
Private Employment Total	546,700	544,700	539,100	2,000	7,600
Natural Resources and Mining	1,100	1,000	1,000	100	100
Construction	25,300	24,800	24,800	500	500
Manufacturing	77,300	77,300	77,600	0	-300
Durable Goods	59,500	59,500	59,600	0	-100
Non-Durable Goods	17,800	17,800	18,000	0	-200
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	139,000	138,500	138,600	500	400
Wholesale Trade	28,300	28,100	28,200	200	100
Retail Trade	95,400	95,200	95,100	200	300
Transportation and Utilities	15,300	15,200	15,300	100	0
Information	12,300	12,200	12,100	100	200
Financial Activities	38,500	38,400	38,200	100	300
Professional and Business	65,900	65,700	63,100	200	2,800
Education and Health	106,300	105,900	102,900	400	3,400
Leisure and Hospitality	59,200	59,000	59,200	200	0
Other Services	21,800	21,900	21,600	-100	200
Government Total	98,400	97,500	96,700	900	200

Change in Nonfarm Employment

Mar 2007 to Mar 2008



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 seasonally adjusted estimates for March showed that New Hampshire employers added 1,900 jobs to the state's economy.

Government (supersector 90) accounted for 800 of those added jobs, and trade, transportation, and utilities (supersector 40) chipped in 500 jobs to the month's total. Also, education and health services (supersector 65) expanded its employment totals by 300 jobs, and information (supersector 50) bumped up its staffing levels by 200. To complete the list of those industrial groups with increasing employment numbers, construction (supersector

20), financial activities (supersector 55), and professional and business services (supersector 60) each brought an additional 100 workers on board during the month.

Manufacturing (supersector 30) held its total number of jobs at the revised February level in the March preliminary estimates.

On the other side of March's employment picture, other services (supersector 80) posted a 200-job reduction and leisure and hospitality (supersector 70) dropped 100 jobs from the rolls.

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, NH Portion			Portsmouth NH-ME MetroNECTA, NH Portion			Rochester-Dover NH-ME MetroNECTA, NH Portion		
	preliminary Mar-08	Change from previous:		preliminary Mar-08	Change from previous:		preliminary Mar-08	Change from previous:		preliminary Mar-08	Change from previous:	
		Month	Year		Month	Year		Month	Year		Month	Year
Total All Sectors	101,200	800	1,600	131,900	500	600	54,900	100	1,000	57,600	500	1,400
Private Employment Total	88,900	500	800	116,400	400	300	45,300	0	1,100	43,600	200	1,300
Natural Resources and Construction	4,600	100	-100	4,600	100	-100	1,500	0	0	1,800	0	100
Manufacturing	9,400	0	100	25,500	100	200	3,900	0	0	6,900	0	100
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	20,100	100	100	29,300	-100	-800	11,000	0	100	10,800	0	-200
Wholesale Trade	4,700	0	0	6,200	-100	100	2,000	0	100	1,200	0	0
Retail Trade	12,500	0	200	19,200	0	-700	7,800	0	0	8,600	0	-200
Transportation, Warehousing and Utilities	Data not available			3,900	0	-200	1,200	0	0	1,000	0	0
Information	3,400	0	100	2,200	0	100	1,900	0	100	1,100	0	0
Financial Activities	8,500	0	-100	8,800	0	200	4,900	0	200	3,000	0	0
Professional and Business	12,900	0	200	14,200	-100	300	9,000	0	300	4,800	0	500
Educational and Health	17,100	100	0	17,200	100	300	5,700	0	100	8,200	100	500
Leisure and Hospitality	8,300	100	100	10,200	200	100	6,000	0	300	5,200	100	300
Other Services	4,600	100	400	4,400	100	0	1,400	0	0	1,800	0	0
Government Total	12,300	300	800	15,500	100	300	9,600	100	-100	14,000	300	100

Average Earnings and Hours of Production Workers in Manufacturing

Sector	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Mar-08 preliminary	Feb-08 revised	Mar-07	Mar-08 preliminary	Feb-08 revised	Mar-07	Mar-08 preliminary	Feb-08 revised	Mar-07
New Hampshire									
All Manufacturing	\$684.54	\$687.92	\$687.52	39.5	39.4	40.3	\$17.33	\$17.46	\$17.06
Durable Goods	\$707.13	\$713.46	\$723.14	40.5	40.4	41.8	\$17.46	\$17.66	\$17.30
Nondurable Goods	\$613.70	\$604.68	\$574.94	36.4	36.1	35.6	\$16.86	\$16.75	\$16.15

Unadjusted: New Hampshire experienced a modest increase in the total number of jobs, as employers in the state added 2,900 jobs in March.

Government (supersector 90), with its 900-job increase, led the parade of industrial groups adding to the March gain. Construction (supersector 20) and trade, transportation, and utilities (supersector 40) each augmented their force with 500 more jobs. Next up, education and health services (supersector 65) employed 400 more people during the month. Professional and business services (supersector 60) and leisure and hospitality (supersector 70) each expanded their payroll

by 200. Wrapping up the March expansion, natural resources and mining (supersector 10), information (supersector 50), and financial activities (supersector 55) each increased their ranks by 100 jobs.

Preliminary unadjusted estimates for March showed that manufacturing (supersector 30) sustained its total number of jobs at the level set in the February estimate.

In concluding employment activity for March, other services (supersector 80) posted a 100-job drop.

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