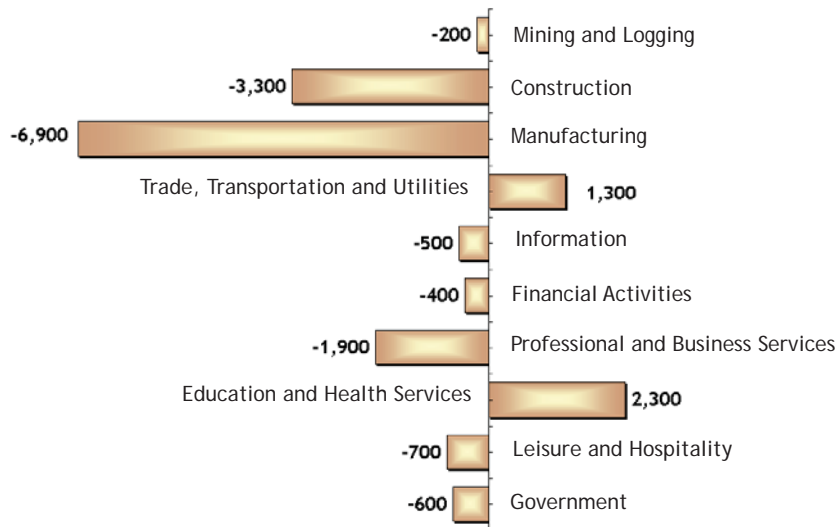


Monthly Not Seasonally Adjusted New Hampshire Nonfarm Wage and Salary Employment

| Current Employment Statistics<br>Employment by Supersector<br>by place of establishment | Number of Jobs         |                   |         | Change from previous: |        |
|---|------------------------|-------------------|---------|-----------------------|--------|
|   | Mar-09<br>preliminary  | Feb-09<br>revised | Mar-08  | Month                 | Year   |
|   | Total All Supersectors | 627,500           | 628,700 | 637,900               | -1,200 |
| Private Employment Total  | 529,800                | 531,300           | 539,600 | -1,500                | -9,800 |
| Mining and Logging  | 800                    | 800               | 1,000   | 0                     | -200   |
| Construction  | 20,600                 | 20,100            | 23,900  | 500                   | -3,300 |
| Manufacturing   | 69,800                 | 70,300            | 76,700  | -500                  | -6,900 |
| Durable Goods   | 53,600                 | 53,900            | 58,500  | -300                  | -4,900 |
| Non-Durable Goods   | 16,200                 | 16,400            | 18,200  | -200                  | -2,000 |
| Trade, Transportation and Utilities   | 138,700                | 138,900           | 137,400 | -200                  | 1,300  |
| Wholesale Trade   | 27,200                 | 27,400            | 27,900  | -200                  | -700   |
| Retail Trade  | 97,300                 | 97,400            | 94,800  | -100                  | 2,500  |
| Transportation and Utilities  | 14,200                 | 14,100            | 14,700  | 100                   | -500   |
| Information   | 12,000                 | 12,100            | 12,500  | -100                  | -500   |
| Financial Activities  | 37,600                 | 37,500            | 38,000  | 100                   | -400   |
| Professional and Business   | 62,900                 | 63,400            | 64,800  | -500                  | -1,900 |
| Education and Health  | 106,800                | 107,300           | 104,500 | -500                  | 2,300  |
| Leisure and Hospitality   | 58,400                 | 58,500            | 59,100  | -100                  | -700   |
| Other Services  | 22,200                 | 22,400            | 21,700  | -200                  | 500    |
| Government Total  | 97,700                 | 97,400            | 98,300  | 300                   | -600   |

Change in Nonfarm Employment

Mar. 08 - Mar. 09



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](http://www.nh.gov/nhes/elmi/nonfarm.htm)>

Seasonally Adjusted: Preliminary seasonally adjusted employment decreased from February to March, down 3,300 jobs. Over-the-year, employers cut 9,900 positions from their payroll.

Construction (supersector 20) was the only supersector to post an over-the-month growth, up 200 jobs. This is the largest seasonally adjusted February to March growth that construction has seen in four years. From February to March, financial activities (supersector 55) remained unchanged over the month.

Education and health services (supersector 65) posted the largest over-the-month drop among the supersectors, down 700 jobs. Educational services (sector 61) and health care and social assistance (sector 62) split this reduction, down 400 and 300 jobs, respectively. Employers in manufacturing (supersector 30) lost 600 jobs over-the-month. Two-thirds of this loss was in Durable goods, down 400 jobs, while non-durable goods cut 200 jobs.

Employment in leisure and hospitality (supersector 70) decreased over-the-month, down 500 jobs. This employment contraction can be

Monthly Unadjusted Nonfarm Wage and Salary Employment by Metropolitan Statistical Areas

| Employment by Sector<br>number of jobs<br>by place of establishment | Manchester NH<br>MetroNECTA |                          |      | Nashua NH-MA NECTA<br>Division |                          |        | Portsmouth NH-ME<br>MetroNECTA |                          |      | Rochester-Dover NH-ME<br>MetroNECTA |                          |        |
|---|-----------------------------|--------------------------|------|--------------------------------|--------------------------|--------|--------------------------------|--------------------------|------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------|
|   | preliminary<br>Mar-09       | Change from<br>previous: |      | preliminary<br>Mar-09          | Change from<br>previous: |        | preliminary<br>Mar-09          | Change from<br>previous: |      | preliminary<br>Mar-09               | Change from<br>previous: |        |
|   |                             | Month                    | Year |                                | Month                    | Year   |                                | Month                    | Year |                                     | Month                    | Year   |
| Total All Sectors   | 99,500                      | -100                     | -200 | 128,900                        | -400                     | -2,000 | 53,700                         | 300                      | 700  | 57,500                              | 0                        | -1,100 |
| Private Employment Total  | 87,700                      | -200                     | -300 | 113,600                        | -400                     | -2,100 | 43,900                         | 200                      | 400  | 44,000                              | 0                        | -600   |
| Mining and Logging<br>and Construction                              | 4,300                       | 100                      | -100 | 4,100                          | 100                      | -400   | 1,400                          | 100                      | -100 | 1,500                               | 0                        | -100   |
| Manufacturing   | 8,600                       | 0                        | -600 | 23,200                         | -200                     | -1,900 | 3,900                          | 0                        | -100 | 6,700                               | 0                        | -200   |
| Trade, Transportation<br>and Utilities                              | 19,200                      | -300                     | -500 | 30,000                         | -300                     | 200    | 10,700                         | 0                        | 0    | 11,000                              | 0                        | -100   |
| Wholesale Trade   | 4,400                       | 0                        | -400 | 5,800                          | 0                        | -100   | 2,000                          | 0                        | 0    | 1,200                               | 0                        | 0      |
| Retail Trade  | 12,000                      | -100                     | -100 | 20,400                         | -300                     | 400    | 7,800                          | 0                        | 200  | 8,800                               | 0                        | -100   |
| Transportation,<br>Warehousing and<br>Utilities                     | Data not available          |                          |      | 3,800                          | 0                        | -100   | 900                            | 0                        | -200 | 1,000                               | 0                        | 0      |
| Information   | 3,000                       | -100                     | -100 | 2,400                          | 0                        | 100    | 1,800                          | 0                        | -100 | 1,100                               | 0                        | 0      |
| Financial Activities  | 8,100                       | 100                      | 100  | 8,500                          | 0                        | -200   | 4,200                          | 100                      | 100  | 4,300                               | 0                        | 0      |
| Professional and Business   | 13,900                      | -100                     | 100  | 13,700                         | -200                     | -100   | 8,900                          | 0                        | 0    | 4,500                               | 0                        | -300   |
| Education and Health  | 18,200                      | 0                        | 500  | 17,100                         | 0                        | 100    | 5,600                          | 0                        | 100  | 8,000                               | 0                        | 100    |
| Leisure and Hospitality   | 8,200                       | 100                      | 200  | 10,100                         | 100                      | 0      | 5,900                          | 0                        | 500  | 5,100                               | 0                        | 0      |
| Other Services  | 4,200                       | 0                        | 100  | 4,500                          | 100                      | 100    | 1,500                          | 0                        | 0    | 1,800                               | 0                        | 0      |
| Government Total  | 11,800                      | 100                      | 100  | 15,300                         | 0                        | 100    | 9,800                          | 100                      | 300  | 13,500                              | 0                        | -500   |

Average Earnings and Hours of Production Workers in Manufacturing

| Sector            | Average Weekly Earnings |          |          | Average Weekly Hours |         |        | Average Hourly Earnings |         |         |
|-------------------|-------------------------|----------|----------|----------------------|---------|--------|-------------------------|---------|---------|
|                   | Mar-09                  | Feb-09   | Mar-08   | Mar-09               | Feb-09  | Mar-08 | Mar-09                  | Feb-09  | Mar-08  |
|                   | preliminary             | revised  |          | preliminary          | revised |        | preliminary             | revised |         |
| New Hampshire     |                         |          |          |                      |         |        |                         |         |         |
| All Manufacturing | \$668.69                | \$649.61 | \$681.07 | 38.9                 | 38.1    | 39.3   | \$17.19                 | \$17.05 | \$17.33 |
| Durable Goods     | \$686.79                | \$659.84 | \$704.85 | 39.0                 | 37.9    | 40.3   | \$17.61                 | \$17.41 | \$17.49 |
| Nondurable Goods  | \$617.31                | \$620.02 | \$611.52 | 38.8                 | 38.8    | 36.4   | \$15.91                 | \$15.98 | \$16.80 |

attributed to the loss in accommodation and food services (sector 72), down 500 jobs. Employers in trade, transportation, and utilities (supersector 40) cut 500 jobs from February to March. Retail trade and wholesale trade split this loss, with a drop of 300 and 200, in turn.

Professional and business services (supersector 60) reduced its workforce by 500 jobs over-the-month. Administrative and support and waste management and remediation services (sector 56) claimed 80 percent of this loss, down 400 jobs from February to March.

Employment in government (supersector 90) declined over-the-month, down 400 jobs. Local government posted a gain of 200 jobs from February to March, while state government and federal government lost 400 and 200 jobs, respectively.

Seasonally Unadjusted: From February to March, preliminary not seasonally adjusted employment

decreased by 1,200 jobs. Over-the-year, New Hampshire employers reduced their workforce by 10,400 jobs.

Employers in manufacturing (supersector 30), professional and business services (supersector 60), and education and health services (supersector 65) each cut 500 jobs, over-the-month.

Employment in other services (supersector 80) and trade, transportation, and utilities (supersector 40) each lost 200 jobs from February to March. Information (supersector 50) and leisure and hospitality (supersector 70) each had a slight over-the-month drop of 100 jobs.

On a positive note, employment in construction (supersector 20) started to pick up from February to March, adding 500 jobs. Employment in government (supersector 90) rose over-the-month, a gain of 300 jobs.

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