



# Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training

## Quarterly Census of Rhode Island Employment & Wages

### Second Quarter 2012 Analysis



Rhode Island total employment averaged 456,413 in the second quarter of 2012, an increase of 3,324 (+0.7%) jobs from the second quarter of 2011. All of the job gains were reported in the private sector which added 4,048 jobs, a 1.0 percent increase. The Government sector lost 724 (-1.2%) positions from the second quarter 2011, as the local and state branches lost 600 and 161 jobs, respectively, while the federal government added 37 employees during this period.

#### Private Sector Analysis

The Accommodation & Food Services sector added 1,960 (+4.5%) jobs in the second quarter 2012 when compared to the same quarter a year ago, representing the largest numeric increase among all sectors. The Food Services & Drinking Places subsector added 1,763 (+4.3%) additional jobs within the sector. In addition, the Administrative & Waste Services (+945), Wholesale Trade (+734) and Management of Companies & Enterprises (+637) sectors added sizable employment during this period. The Management of Companies & Enterprises (+6.5%), Accommodation & Food Services (+4.5%) and Wholesale Trade (+4.5%) sectors added the most employment on a percentage basis.

Between the second quarter 2011 and the second quarter 2012, sizable job losses were reported in three employment sectors. The \*Manufacturing sector shed 972 jobs, the largest numeric employment loss during this period followed by the Information (-644) sector. Smaller job declines were experienced in the Educational Services (-72), Other Services (-52) and Utilities (-19) sectors. The Information sector lost 6.2 percent of its workforce, the largest percentage decline, followed by Manufacturing (-2.4%).

Overall, Health Care & Social Assistance (78,521) represented the largest private employment sector in the second quarter of 2012. Retail Trade (46,742) represented the second largest private employment sector, followed by Accommodation & Food Services (45,171), Manufacturing (39,689) and Administrative & Waste Services (24,755).

Private sector employees earned over \$4.1 billion in wages during the second quarter of 2012, an increase of \$69 million (+1.7%) from the second quarter of 2011. The average weekly wage in the private sector increased by \$5, from \$807 earned in the second quarter of 2011 to \$812 earned in the second quarter of 2012, a 0.7 percent increase.

Employees in the Management of Companies & Enterprises sector earned an average weekly wage of \$1,755 during the second quarter of 2012. Workers in the Utilities (\$1,657), Finance & Insurance (\$1,376), Information (\$1,271), Professional & Technical Services (\$1,244) and Wholesale Trade (\$1,167) sectors also earned an average weekly wage in excess of one thousand dollars.

The Information sector experienced the largest average weekly wage increase, with wages increasing by \$60 in the second quarter of 2012 when compared to the second quarter of 2011. Agriculture, Fishing & Hunting (+\$55), Educational Services (+\$46), Finance & Insurance (+\$37) and Wholesale Trade (+\$29) complete the top five sectors in average weekly earnings growth during this period. *Quarterly bonuses and exercised stock options are included in the calculation and therefore may impact the average weekly wage.*

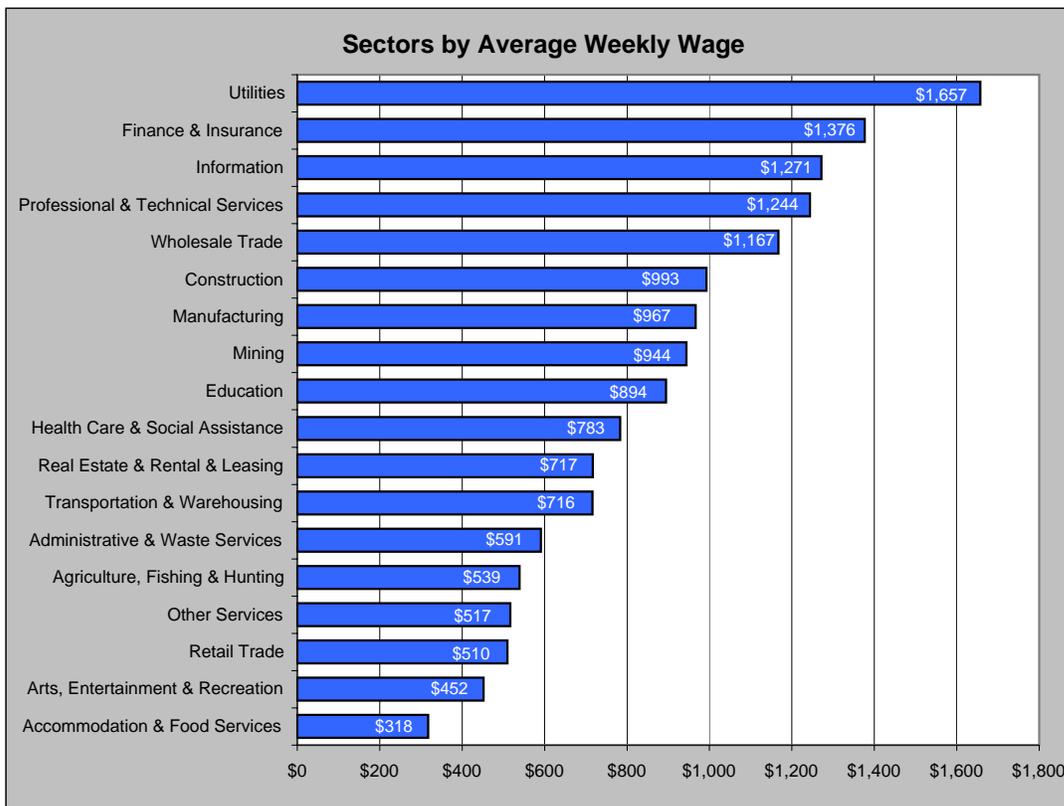
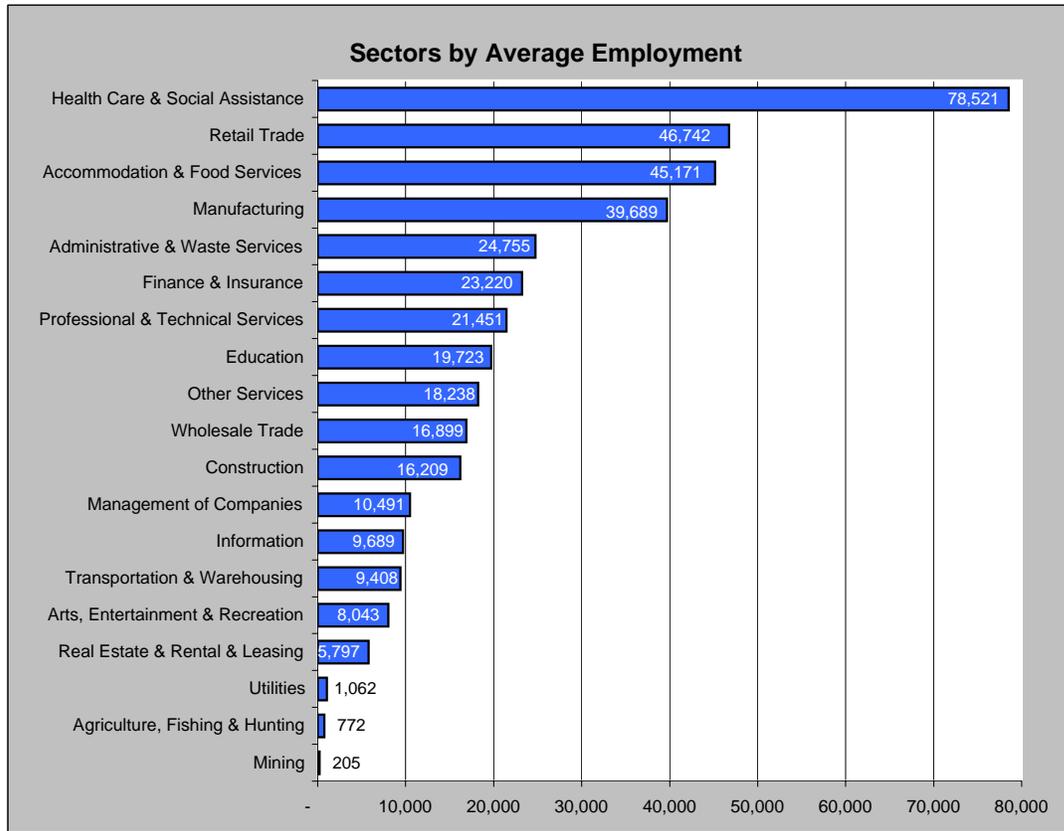
*\*Employment change within this sector was the result of a noneconomic code change. A noneconomic code change is a change in an industry code or a location code. In this case, an industry code change resulted in a loss of approximately 300 Manufacturing jobs.*

#### Second Quarter 2012

	No. of Units	April	May	June	Average Employment	Total Wages	Taxable Wages	Contributions
<b>Total</b>	<b>35,265</b>	<b>449,793</b>	<b>456,768</b>	<b>462,678</b>	<b>456,413</b>	<b>5,093,417,284</b>	<b>1,654,408,091</b>	<b>65,780,724</b>
<b>Private</b>	<b>34,548</b>	<b>389,429</b>	<b>395,912</b>	<b>403,092</b>	<b>396,144</b>	<b>4,183,755,638</b>	<b>1,649,540,325</b>	<b>65,639,314</b>
<b>Federal</b>	<b>191</b>	<b>10,236</b>	<b>10,214</b>	<b>10,302</b>	<b>10,251</b>	<b>184,810,865</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>State</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>15,916</b>	<b>16,042</b>	<b>15,765</b>	<b>15,908</b>	<b>237,796,788</b>	<b>103,899</b>	<b>3,503</b>
<b>Local</b>	<b>414</b>	<b>34,212</b>	<b>34,600</b>	<b>33,519</b>	<b>34,110</b>	<b>487,053,993</b>	<b>4,763,867</b>	<b>137,907</b>
<b>Total Government</b>	<b>717</b>	<b>60,364</b>	<b>60,856</b>	<b>59,586</b>	<b>60,269</b>	<b>909,661,646</b>	<b>4,867,766</b>	<b>141,410</b>
<b>Total UI Covered</b>	<b>34,851</b>	<b>415,581</b>	<b>422,168</b>	<b>429,159</b>	<b>422,303</b>	<b>4,606,363,291</b>	<b>1,649,644,224</b>	<b>65,642,817</b>

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