

RHODE ISLAND EMPLOYMENT AND WAGE ANALYSIS BY COUNTY

2008



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PRIVATE SECTOR EMPLOYMENT BY CITY/TOWN

	AVERAGE EMPLOYMENT		DIFFERENCE		2008 ANNUAL WAGE
	2007	2008	NUMERIC	PERCENTAGE	
RHODE ISLAND	417,728	407,900	-9,828	-2.4%	\$41,099
BRISTOL COUNTY	13,015	12,827	-188	-1.4%	\$32,769
Barrington	2,440	2,407	-33	-1.4%	\$30,363
Bristol	6,655	6,559	-96	-1.4%	\$34,012
Warren	3,920	3,861	-59	-1.5%	\$32,157
KENT COUNTY	73,537	70,548	-2,989	-4.1%	\$37,764
Coventry	6,984	6,937	-47	-0.7%	\$30,819
East Greenwich	6,533	6,487	-46	-0.7%	\$38,015
Warwick	48,320	46,345	-1,975	-4.1%	\$37,007
West Greenwich	3,546	3,000	-546	-15.4%	\$65,162
West Warwick	8,154	7,779	-375	-4.6%	\$37,691
NEWPORT COUNTY	32,699	32,393	-306	-0.9%	\$37,985
Jamestown	972	979	+7	+0.7%	\$35,061
Little Compton	542	517	-25	-4.6%	\$29,862
Middletown	10,299	10,144	-155	-1.5%	\$38,656
Newport	13,014	13,081	+67	+0.5%	\$33,924
Portsmouth	5,672	5,521	-151	-2.7%	\$50,210
Tiverton	2,200	2,151	-49	-2.2%	\$31,425
NORTHERN RI	82,432	80,300	-2,132	-2.6%	\$43,707
Burrillville	2,319	2,428	+109	+4.7%	\$31,124
Central Falls	2,170	2,141	-29	-1.3%	\$32,387
Cumberland	8,671	8,145	-526	-6.1%	\$41,100
Glocester	1,159	1,134	-25	-2.2%	\$29,196
Lincoln	13,891	13,255	-636	-4.6%	\$43,436
North Smithfield	3,661	3,568	-93	-2.5%	\$33,608
Pawtucket	24,155	23,220	-935	-3.9%	\$39,023
Smithfield	12,641	12,779	+138	+1.1%	\$56,368
Woonsocket	13,765	13,630	-135	-1.0%	\$49,509
PROVIDENCE METRO	168,006	163,453	-4,553	-2.7%	\$42,968
Cranston	29,491	28,318	-1,173	-4.0%	\$37,057
East Providence	21,286	20,469	-817	-3.8%	\$39,510
Foster	377	360	-17	-4.5%	\$29,546
Johnston	10,682	10,197	-485	-4.5%	\$39,523
North Providence	7,457	6,968	-489	-6.6%	\$32,093
Providence	97,747	96,230	-1,517	-1.6%	\$46,794
Scituate	966	911	-55	-5.7%	\$27,244
WASHINGTON COUNTY	41,304	41,106	-198	-0.5%	\$35,441
Charlestown	1,482	1,427	-55	-3.7%	\$34,426
Exeter	1,159	1,194	+35	+3.0%	\$29,320
Hopkinton	1,104	1,070	-34	-3.1%	\$33,172
Narragansett	3,210	3,373	+163	+5.1%	\$26,314
New Shoreham	775	753	-22	-2.8%	\$31,612
North Kingstown	13,251	13,506	+255	+1.9%	\$40,546
Richmond	1,182	1,172	-10	-0.8%	\$27,117
South Kingstown	9,804	9,894	+90	+0.9%	\$36,365
Westerly	9,337	8,717	-620	-6.6%	\$32,745
STATEWIDE**	6,738	7,273	+535	+7.9%	\$63,192

**Employment in multiple towns, unknown locations or outside Rhode Island

RHODE ISLAND EMPLOYMENT AND WAGE ANALYSIS BY COUNTY, 2008

2008 STATEWIDE STATISTICS

PRIVATE SECTOR ANNUAL EMPLOYMENT (RI-BASED JOBS)

407,900 jobs
down 9,828

NUMBER OF MUNICIPALITIES WITH NEGATIVE JOB GROWTH

31 cities and towns

PRIVATE SECTOR ANNUAL WAGE

\$41,099
(+\$1,272 from 2007)

This annual report provides a brief overview of the employment situations in Bristol, Kent, Newport and Washington Counties, as well as two distinct areas of Providence County — Providence Metro and Northern Rhode Island.

COUNTY EMPLOYMENT

Rhode Island's private sector average annual employment declined by 9,828 (-2.4%) jobs between 2007 and 2008, with employment losses recorded in all counties. Washington County reported the smallest job loss rate (-0.5%) among the counties, followed by Newport County (-0.9%), and Bristol County (-1.4%). The two Providence County areas had nearly identical rates of job loss, with a 2.6 percent decline in Northern Rhode Island and a 2.7 percent decline in Providence Metro. Kent County reported the highest job loss rate (-4.1%) among the counties.

MUNICIPAL EMPLOYMENT

In all, thirty-one Rhode Island cities and towns reported negative job growth between 2007 and 2008, with the largest percentage loss occurring in West Greenwich (-15.4%), Westerly (-6.6%), North Providence (-6.6%), Cumberland (-6.1%) and Scituate (-5.7%).

However, eight cities and towns did report job growth over the year, with North Kingstown reporting the greatest numeric increase in employment (+255). On a percentage basis, Narragansett reported the highest job growth rate (+5.1%) during this period, followed by Burrillville (+4.7%) and Exeter (+3.0%).

WAGES

The statewide average annual wage in the private sector increased 3.2 percent, or \$1,272, from the \$39,827 earned in 2007 to the \$41,099 earned in 2008. Among municipalities, West Greenwich reported the highest average private sector wage (\$65,162). The lowest reported annual wages were recorded in Narragansett (\$26,314), Richmond (\$27,117) and Scituate (\$27,244).

Between 2007 and 2008, the Northern Rhode Island (+\$2,619) area and Providence Metro area (+\$1,449) experienced the largest annual wage increase on a percentage basis, with the annual wage increasing by 6.4 percent and 3.5 percent, respectively. Washington County was the lone county or area to report an annual wage decrease, with the annual wage declining by \$374 or -1.0 percent.



BRISTOL COUNTY EMPLOYMENT AND WAGE ANALYSIS 2008

The 1,462 private business establishments in Bristol County employed 12,827 workers and paid over \$420 million in wages in 2008.

BRISTOL COUNTY AT A GLANCE

MUNICIPALITIES:

Barrington
Bristol
Warren

EMPLOYERS:

1,462 private
businesses

WORKFORCE:

12,827 private-
sector workers

AVERAGE WAGE:

\$32,769

TOP INDUSTRIES:

Manufacturing
Health Care &
Social Assistance
Accommodation &
Food Services
Education Services

INDUSTRIES

The Manufacturing sector employed the most workers in Bristol County and accounted for nearly 19 percent of the county's private sector employment. Other sectors with significant portions of the county employment include Health Care & Social Assistance (15.8%), Accommodation & Food Services (12.3%) and Educational Services (12.3%).

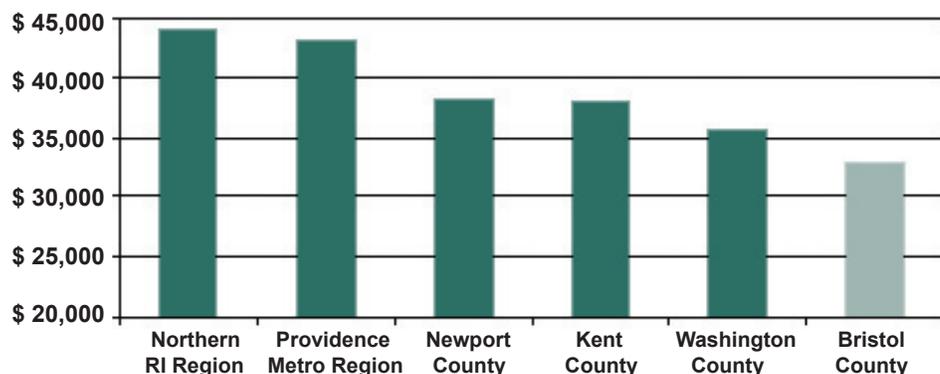
EMPLOYMENT

Overall, Bristol County accounted for 3.1 percent of Rhode Island's 407,900 private sector jobs in 2008 and 2.5 percent (\$420.3 million) of the \$16.7 billion earned in Rhode Island in 2008.

Between 2007 and 2008, Bristol County private sector employment decreased by 188 jobs, or 1.4 percent, the smallest numeric employment loss among all Rhode Island counties. The Construction and Retail Trade sectors experienced the largest job losses over the year, with Construction losing 117 (-12.9%) workers, and Retail Trade losing 116 jobs. The Construction sector also experienced the largest employment loss on a percentage basis, followed by the Information (-10.3%) and Real Estate, Rental & Leasing (-9.3%) sectors. Modest job gains were reported in the Educational Services (+63), Administrative Support & Waste Management (+27), Finance & Insurance (+21) and Health Care & Social Assistance (+21) sectors.

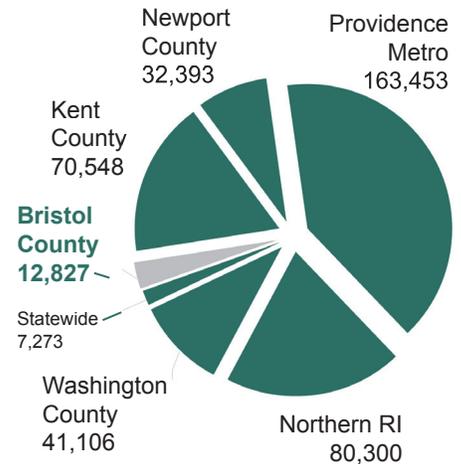
Between 2007 and 2008, the town of Bristol lost 96 (-1.4%) private sector jobs, the largest decline among Bristol County municipalities. Notable job losses in Bristol were reported in the Retail Trade (-96) and Construction (-88) sectors. Warren lost 59 private sector jobs, while Barrington lost 33 jobs during the same time period.

2008 AVERAGE ANNUAL WAGES



NOTE: Data is derived from the Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages, developed through a cooperative program between the State of Rhode Island and the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

RI REGIONS BY PRIVATE EMPLOYMENT 2008



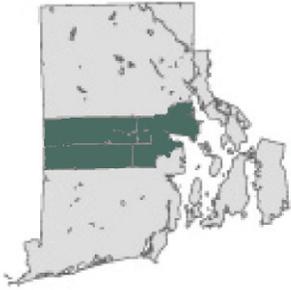
WAGES

The 2008 average annual wage in Bristol County was \$32,769. The Wholesale Trade (\$66,639) sector paid the highest annual wage, followed by the Management of Companies & Enterprises (\$53,882), Professional & Technical Services (\$49,383) and Information (\$45,244) sectors.

Over the year, the average annual wage in Bristol County increased by \$634, or 2.0 percent., falling short of the statewide annual wage increase of 3.2 percent. The largest annual wage increase was reported in the Professional & Technical Services sector (+\$3,295) followed by Manufacturing (+\$1,376) and Transportation & Warehousing (+\$1,264).

BRISTOL COUNTY						
NAICS Sector	2008 Data			Over-the-Year Difference 2007-2008		
	Average Employment	Total Wages	Average Annual Wage	Average Employment	Total Wages	Average Annual Wage
Total Private Only	12,827	\$420,329,927	\$32,769	-188	+\$2,095,071	+\$634
Construction	792	\$32,986,784	\$41,650	-117	-\$4,543,966	+\$362
Manufacturing	2,398	\$97,780,131	\$40,776	-23	+\$2,394,548	+\$1,376
Wholesale Trade	363	\$24,189,904	\$66,639	-18	-\$1,439,026	-\$629
Retail Trade	1,318	\$30,807,386	\$23,374	-116	-\$1,949,034	+\$532
Transportation & Warehousing	383	\$10,522,664	\$27,474	-14	+\$117,124	+\$1,264
Information	139	\$6,288,916	\$45,244	-16	-\$699,651	+\$156
Finance & Insurance	423	\$18,319,989	\$43,310	+21	+\$594,259	-\$784
Real Estate & Rental & Leasing	78	\$2,812,354	\$36,056	-8	-\$310,335	-\$255
Professional & Technical Services	310	\$15,308,692	\$49,383	+14	+\$1,666,624	+\$3,295
Management of Companies & Enterprises	44	\$2,370,818	\$53,882	+2	-\$142,069	-\$5,948
Administrative & Waste Management	371	\$10,841,804	\$29,223	+27	+\$139,648	-\$1,888
Educational Services	1,574	\$65,207,739	\$41,428	+63	+\$3,511,784	+\$597
Health Care & Social Assistance	2,031	\$60,029,608	\$29,557	+21	+\$2,029,112	+\$701
Arts, Entertainment, & Recreation	350	\$8,580,554	\$24,516	+19	+\$728,892	+\$795
Accommodation & Food Services	1,573	\$20,234,201	\$12,863	-41	-\$260,059	+\$166
Other Services	664	\$13,521,362	\$20,363	0	+\$257,542	+\$388
All Remaining Sectors*	20	\$519,944	\$25,997	+8	+\$96,925	+\$1,114

*Remaining sectors include Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing & Hunting; Mining; and Utilities. Unclassified data is not included; therefore, totals may not add.



KENT COUNTY EMPLOYMENT AND WAGE ANALYSIS 2008

The 5,613 private business establishments in Kent County employed 70,548 workers and paid over \$2.6 billion in wages in 2008.

KENT COUNTY AT A GLANCE

MUNICIPALITIES:

Coventry
East Greenwich
Warwick
West Greenwich
West Warwick

EMPLOYERS:

5,613 private businesses

WORKFORCE:

70,548 private-sector workers

AVERAGE WAGE:

\$37,764

TOP INDUSTRIES:

Retail Trade
Health Care & Social Assistance
Accommodation & Food Services
Manufacturing

INDUSTRIES

The Retail Trade sector employed the most workers and accounted for nearly 17 percent of the county's employment. The other top industry in the county, Health Care & Social Assistance, accounted for more than 16 percent. Other sectors with significant portions of the county employment include Accommodation & Food Services (12.0%) and Manufacturing (11.8%).

EMPLOYMENT

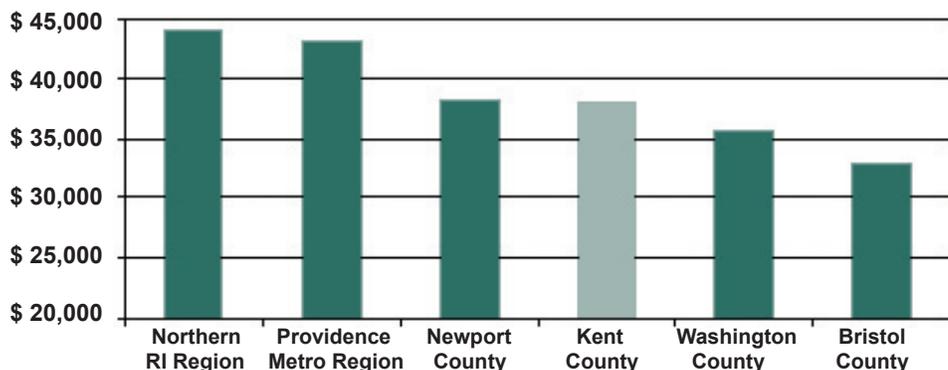
Overall, Kent County accounted for 17.3 percent of Rhode Island's 407,900 private sector jobs in 2008, and nearly 16 percent (\$2.7 billion) of the \$16.7 billion earned in 2008.

Between 2007 and 2008, Kent County private-sector employment decreased by 2,989, or -4.1 percent, the largest employment loss on a percentage basis among all Rhode Island counties. Statewide employment reported a 2.4 percent decline during this period.

Significant job declines were reported in the Manufacturing (-613), Construction (-500), Management of Companies & Enterprises (-472), Finance & Insurance (-432) and Retail Trade (-411) sectors. Management of Companies & Enterprises (-22.3%) experienced the largest employment drop on a percentage basis, followed by Construction (-12.3%). However, over the year, the Health Care & Social Assistance (+161) and Educational Services (+128) sectors did experience job growth.

Between 2007 and 2008, all five municipalities in Kent County experienced private employment declines. Warwick lost 1,975 (-4.1%) jobs, the largest employment decline within the county. Private employment losses were also noted in West Greenwich (-546), West Warwick (-375), Coventry (-47) and East Greenwich (-46).

2008 AVERAGE ANNUAL WAGES



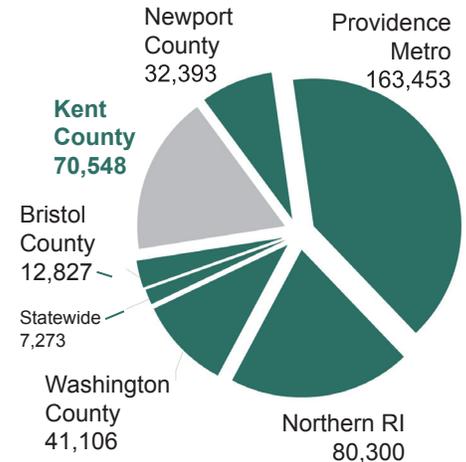
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WAGES

The 2008 average annual wage in Kent County was \$37,764. The Management of Companies & Enterprises (\$73,079) sector paid the highest annual wage, followed by the Professional & Technical Services (\$58,119), Wholesale Trade (\$57,251) and Information (\$54,270) sectors.

Over the year, the 2008 average annual wage in Kent County increased by \$350, or 0.9 percent, well below the statewide annual wage increase of 3.2 percent. Workers in the Information sector experienced the highest annual wage increase, at \$5,120 (+10.4%). The Educational Services (+\$4,750), Finance & Insurance (+\$2,925) and Health Care & Social Assistance (+\$1,717) sectors also showed notable increases in annual wage.

RI REGIONS BY PRIVATE EMPLOYMENT 2008



KENT COUNTY						
NAICS Sector	2008 Data			Over-the-Year Difference 2007-2008		
	Average Employment	Total Wages	Average Annual Wage	Average Employment	Total Wages	Average Annual Wage
Total Private Only	70,548	\$2,664,161,983	\$37,764	-2,989	-\$87,134,293	+\$350
Construction	3,569	\$171,226,104	\$47,976	-500	-\$21,228,490	+\$678
Manufacturing	8,293	\$432,803,272	\$52,189	-613	-\$50,178,082	-\$2,042
Wholesale Trade	3,080	\$176,332,336	\$57,251	-57	+\$237,688	+\$1,116
Retail Trade	11,931	\$305,441,457	\$25,601	-411	-\$6,735,058	+\$307
Transportation & Warehousing	3,163	\$109,585,060	\$34,646	-87	-\$347,681	+\$820
Information	1,482	\$80,427,706	\$54,270	-9	+\$7,146,208	+\$5,120
Finance & Insurance	4,770	\$245,964,901	\$51,565	-432	-\$7,059,560	+\$2,925
Real Estate & Rental & Leasing	1,615	\$53,138,172	\$32,903	-181	-\$4,513,576	+\$803
Professional & Technical Services	3,243	\$188,481,150	\$58,119	-8	-\$1,668,774	-\$370
Management of Companies & Enterprises	1,644	\$120,142,013	\$73,079	-472	-\$31,236,687	+\$1,539
Administrative & Waste Management	2,880	\$94,359,833	\$32,764	-307	-\$7,471,461	+\$812
Educational Services	1,358	\$48,482,905	\$35,702	+128	+\$10,412,754	+\$4,750
Health Care & Social Assistance	11,526	\$430,606,199	\$37,360	+161	+\$25,526,035	+\$1,717
Arts, Entertainment & Recreation	809	\$15,272,490	\$18,878	-7	-\$416,539	-\$349
Accommodation & Food Services	8,451	\$125,693,632	\$14,873	-150	-\$404,197	+\$212
Other Services	2,683	\$64,833,828	\$24,165	-28	+\$1,165,987	+\$680
All Remaining Sectors*	55	\$1,370,925	\$24,926	-3	-\$133,634	-\$1,015

*Remaining sectors include Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing & Hunting; Mining; and Utilities. Unclassified data is not included; therefore, totals may not add.



NEWPORT COUNTY EMPLOYMENT AND WAGE ANALYSIS 2008

The 3,297 private business establishments in Newport County employed 32,393 workers and paid over \$1.2 billion in wages in 2008.

NEWPORT COUNTY AT A GLANCE

MUNICIPALITIES:

Jamestown
Little Compton
Middletown
Newport
Portsmouth
Tiverton

EMPLOYERS:

3,297 private businesses

WORKFORCE:

32,393 private-sector workers

AVERAGE WAGE:

\$37,985

TOP INDUSTRIES:

Accommodation & Food Services
Health Care & Social Assistance
Retail Trade

INDUSTRIES

The Accommodation & Food Services sector accounted for 19 percent of the county's employment. Other sectors with significant portions of the county employment include Retail Trade and Health Care & Social Assistance, each accounting for approximately 13 percent of private sector employment.

EMPLOYMENT

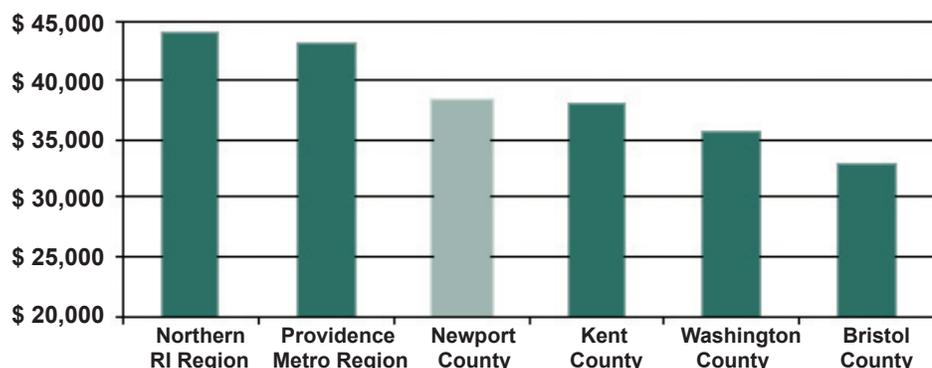
Overall, Newport County accounted for nearly 8 percent of Rhode Island's 407,900 private sector jobs in 2008, and 7.3 percent (\$1.2 billion) of the \$16.7 billion earned in 2008.

Between 2007 and 2008, Newport County private-sector employment decreased by 306 or -0.9 percent, falling well below the statewide employment reduction rate (-2.4%). Notable job losses were reported in the Manufacturing (-323), Educational Services (-146) and Retail Trade (-85) sectors. Educational Services (-11.2%) led all sectors in employment loss on a percentage basis, followed by Manufacturing (-10.3%).

On the positive side, employment gains were noted in the Information (+88), Professional & Technical Services (+57), and Health Care & Social Assistance (+53) sectors. The Information sector increased its workforce by 13.6 percent, the largest gain on a percentage basis during this period.

Between 2007 and 2008, the Town of Middletown lost 155 (-1.5%) private sector jobs, the largest employment drop among Newport County municipalities. Notable job losses in Middletown were reported in the Educational Services (-153) and Retail Trade (-65) sectors. Portsmouth (-151), Tiverton (-49), and Little Compton (-25) also reported employment losses during this period. However, Newport (+67) and Jamestown (+7) reported modest job gains between 2007 and 2008.

2008 AVERAGE ANNUAL WAGES



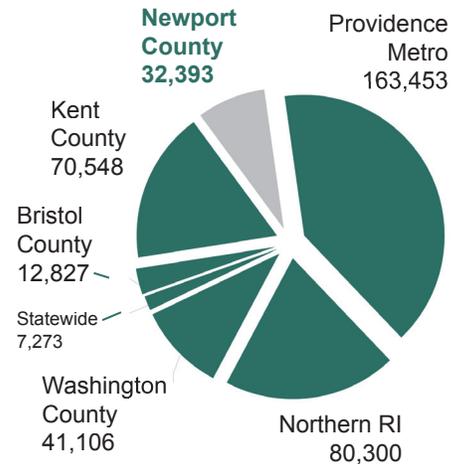
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RI REGIONS BY PRIVATE EMPLOYMENT 2008

WAGES

The 2008 average annual wage in Newport County was \$37,985. The Manufacturing (\$70,539) sector paid the highest annual wage, followed by Professional & Technical Services (\$65,158) and Finance & Insurance (\$61,303).

The 2008 average annual wage in Newport County increased by \$833, or 2.2 percent, when compared to 2007. The county's annual wage growth rate fell short of the statewide annual wage increase of 3.2 percent. Over the year, the average annual wage in the Management of Companies & Enterprises sector rose by \$7,759, followed by the Manufacturing (+\$4,345) and Wholesale Trade (+\$2,494) sectors.



NEWPORT COUNTY						
NAICS Sector	2008 Data			Over-the-Year Difference 2007-2008		
	Average Employment	Total Wages	Average Annual Wage	Average Employment	Total Wages	Average Annual Wage
Total Private Only	32,393	\$1,230,452,563	\$37,985	-306	+\$15,618,222	+\$833
Construction	1,836	\$80,631,553	\$43,917	-58	-\$419,485	+\$1,123
Manufacturing	2,811	\$198,284,228	\$70,539	-323	-\$9,165,506	+\$4,345
Wholesale Trade	658	\$35,577,788	\$54,070	-1	+\$1,589,345	+\$2,494
Retail Trade	4,218	\$114,940,913	\$27,250	-85	-\$1,512,815	+\$187
Transportation & Warehousing	513	\$12,028,479	\$23,447	+35	+\$1,226,118	+\$848
Information	736	\$39,996,521	\$54,343	+88	+\$2,813,501	-\$3,038
Finance & Insurance	869	\$53,272,626	\$61,303	+20	-\$1,289,584	-\$2,963
Real Estate & Rental & Leasing	688	\$23,736,350	\$34,501	-44	-\$1,008,309	+\$696
Professional & Technical Services	3,161	\$205,963,741	\$65,158	+57	+\$10,976,429	+\$2,340
Management of Companies & Enterprises	570	\$28,031,658	\$49,178	+34	+\$5,830,790	+\$7,759
Administrative & Waste Management	1,198	\$41,311,025	\$34,483	+31	+\$2,492,282	+\$1,220
Educational Services	1,159	\$47,976,736	\$41,395	-146	-\$6,454,014	-\$314
Health Care & Social Assistance	4,220	\$136,120,454	\$32,256	+53	+\$7,475,496	+\$1,384
Arts, Entertainment, & Recreation	1,560	\$41,775,905	\$26,779	+30	+\$1,695,183	+\$583
Accommodation & Food Services	6,168	\$116,747,718	\$18,928	-34	-\$540,871	+\$17
Other Services	1,711	\$42,764,946	\$24,994	+46	+\$2,515,462	+\$820
All Remaining Sectors*	312	\$11,290,756	\$36,188	-16	-\$488,890	+\$274

*Remaining sectors include Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing & Hunting; Mining; and Utilities. Unclassified data is not included; therefore, totals may not add.



NORTHERN RI/PROVIDENCE COUNTY EMPLOYMENT AND WAGE ANALYSIS 2008

The 5,990 private business establishments in Northern Rhode Island employed 80,300 workers and paid \$3.5 billion in wages in 2008.

NORTHERN RI AT A GLANCE

MUNICIPALITIES:

Burrillville
Central Falls
Cumberland
Glocester
Lincoln
North Smithfield
Pawtucket
Smithfield
Woonsocket

EMPLOYERS:

5,990 private
businesses

WORKFORCE:

80,300 private-
sector workers

AVERAGE WAGE:

\$43,707

TOP INDUSTRIES:

Health Care &
Social Assistance
Manufacturing
Retail Trade

INDUSTRIES

The Health Care & Social Assistance (18.2%) sector represented the largest portion of the area's private employment, followed by the Manufacturing (16.6%) and Retail Trade (11.3%) sectors.

EMPLOYMENT

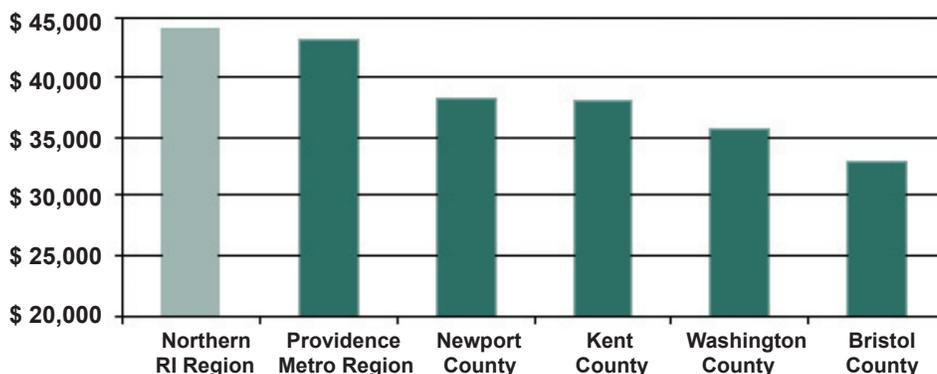
Overall, Northern Rhode Island accounted for nearly 20 percent of Rhode Island's 407,900 private sector jobs in 2008, and approximately 21 percent (\$3.5 billion) of the \$16.7 billion earned in 2008.

Between 2007 and 2008, Northern Rhode Island employment decreased by 2,132, or -2.6 percent, slightly higher than the annual average state-wide private employment decline (-2.4). Significant job losses were reported in the Manufacturing (-869), Construction (-444) and Retail Trade (-338) sectors. The Construction sector lost 8.5 percent of its workforce, the largest decline on a percentage basis, followed by Wholesale Trade (-7.9%) and Arts, Entertainment & Recreation (-7.1%).

Between 2007 and 2008, Pawtucket lost 935 (-3.9%) jobs, the largest private employment loss among the Northern Rhode Island communities. Significant job losses within the city were reported in the Manufacturing (-473), Administrative Support & Waste Management (-235), Construction (-163), and Retail Trade (-163) sectors.

Lincoln (-636) and Cumberland (-526) also reported sizable employment losses while smaller job losses were noted in Woonsocket (-135), North Smithfield (-93), Central Falls (-29) and Glocester (-25). Smithfield (+138) and Burrillville (+109) were the only two areas of the Northern RI region to post positive employment gains between 2007 and 2008.

2008 AVERAGE ANNUAL WAGES



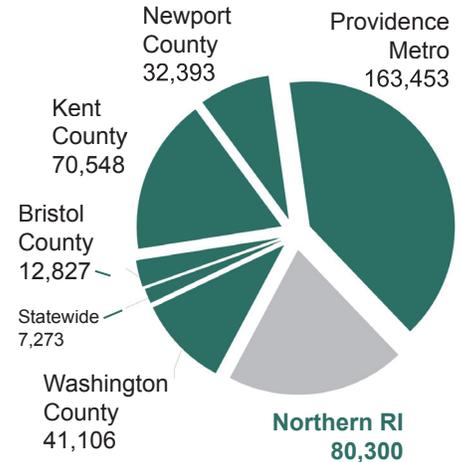
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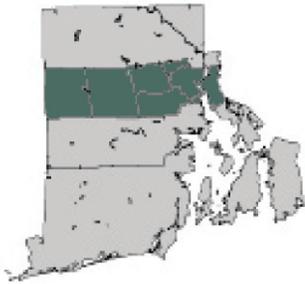
The 2008 average annual wage in Northern Rhode Island was \$43,707, the highest average annual wage among all Rhode Island counties and the Providence Metro area. The Management of Companies & Enterprises (\$125,676) sector paid the highest annual wage, followed by Finance & Insurance (\$86,168).

The 2008 average annual wage in Northern Rhode Island increased by \$2,619 or 6.4 percent over the year, double the statewide growth rate of 3.2 percent. Between 2007 and 2008, the Finance & Insurance (+\$17,565) sector reported the largest annual wage increase, followed by Information (+\$5,808) and Management of Companies & Enterprises (+\$4,135). Salary bonuses within the Finance & Insurance sector contributed to the large annual wage increase.



NORTHERN RI / PROVIDENCE COUNTY						
NAICS Sector	2008 Data			Over-the-Year Difference 2007-2008		
	Average Employment	Total Wages	Average Annual Wage	Average Employment	Total Wages	Average Annual Wage
Total Private Only	80,300	\$3,509,675,479	\$43,707	-2,132	+\$122,741,702	+\$2,619
Construction	4,798	\$241,083,566	\$50,247	-444	-\$6,286,473	+\$3,057
Manufacturing	13,320	\$549,349,440	\$41,242	-869	-\$20,748,805	+\$1,064
Wholesale Trade	3,352	\$187,197,685	\$55,847	-286	-\$6,539,429	+\$2,593
Retail Trade	9,068	\$249,667,632	\$27,533	-338	-\$28,916,718	-\$2,085
Transportation & Warehousing	2,437	\$88,264,151	\$36,218	-14	-\$461,206	+\$19
Information	1,144	\$58,789,514	\$51,389	+12	+\$7,191,576	+\$5,808
Finance & Insurance	6,506	\$560,606,118	\$86,168	+18	+\$115,514,078	+\$17,565
Real Estate & Rental & Leasing	742	\$26,520,872	\$35,742	-19	+\$1,446,858	+\$2,794
Professional & Technical Services	2,697	\$153,879,094	\$57,056	+51	+\$8,565,401	+\$2,137
Management of Companies & Enterprises	3,705	\$465,630,175	\$125,676	+349	+\$57,739,120	+\$4,135
Administrative & Waste Management	3,960	\$120,592,490	\$30,453	-187	+\$742,833	+\$1,552
Educational Services	1,752	\$69,483,710	\$39,660	+21	+\$3,286,123	+\$1,417
Health Care & Social Assistance	14,637	\$492,754,530	\$33,665	-149	+\$1,007,527	+\$407
Arts, Entertainment & Recreation	1,926	\$48,492,096	\$25,178	-147	-\$6,782,236	-\$1,486
Accommodation & Food Services	6,392	\$86,241,291	\$13,492	-1	+\$991,215	+\$157
Other Services	3,482	\$85,019,693	\$24,417	-102	-\$4,121,164	-\$455
All Remaining Sectors*	385	\$26,060,627	\$67,690	-20	+\$305,093	+\$4,096

*Remaining sectors include Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing & Hunting; Mining; and Utilities. Unclassified data is not included; therefore, totals may not add.



PROVIDENCE METRO/PROVIDENCE COUNTY EMPLOYMENT AND WAGE ANALYSIS 2008

The 11,756 private business establishments in the Providence Metro Area employed 163,453 workers and paid \$7 billion in wages in 2008.

PROVIDENCE METRO AT A GLANCE

MUNICIPALITIES:

Cranston
East Providence
Foster
Johnston
North Providence
Providence
Scituate

EMPLOYERS:

11,756 private businesses

WORKFORCE:

163,453 private-sector workers

AVERAGE WAGE:

\$42,968

TOP INDUSTRIES:

Health Care & Social Assistance
Retail Trade
Accommodation & Food Services

INDUSTRIES

The area's top employment sectors included the Health Care & Social Assistance (22.5%), followed by the Retail Trade (9.6%) and Accommodation & Food Services (8.9%).

EMPLOYMENT

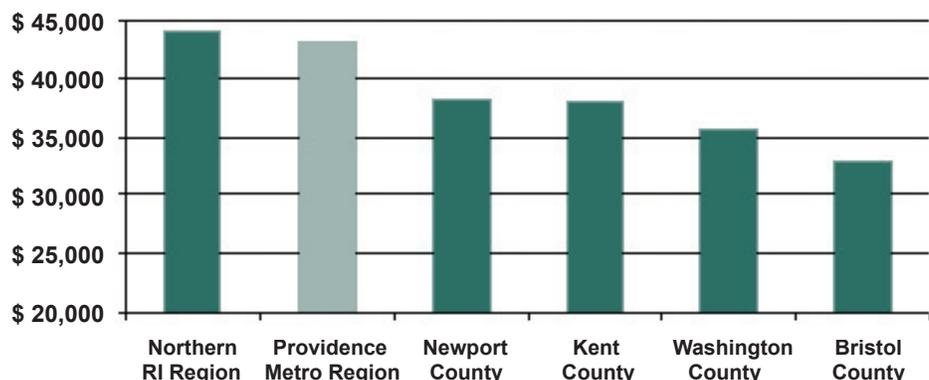
Overall, the Providence Metro area accounted for slightly more than 40 percent of Rhode Island's 407,900 private sector jobs in 2008, and nearly 42 percent (\$7.0 billion) of the \$16.7 billion earned in 2008.

Between 2007 and 2008, private sector employment for the Providence Metro Area declined by 4,553 (-2.7%), the largest numeric job loss among all the Rhode Island counties and the Northern RI area. Statewide employment reported a -2.4 percent reduction during this period. Significant job losses were reported in the Manufacturing (-1,157), Finance & Insurance (-971) and Administrative Support & Waste Management (-780). The Finance & Insurance (-7.9 %) and Manufacturing (-7.6%) sectors lost the most jobs on a percentage basis. However, Health Care & Social Assistance (+288) and Educational Services (+191) added employment during this period.

Between 2007 and 2008, all seven communities that make up the Providence Metro area lost private employment. Providence lost 1,517 (-1.6%) the most jobs, with significant declines being reported in the Administrative Support & Waste Management (-462) and Manufacturing (-433) sectors.

Significant employment losses were also reported in Cranston (-1,173), East Providence (-817), North Providence (-489) and Johnston (-485). Small declines were reported in the rural areas of the region, with Scituate and Foster reporting job losses of 55 and 17, respectively.

2008 AVERAGE ANNUAL WAGES



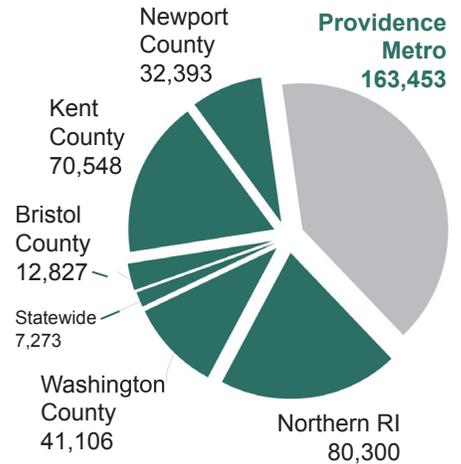
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WAGES

The 2008 average annual wage in the Providence Metro Area was \$42,968. The Management of Companies & Enterprises (\$124,885) sector paid the highest annual wage, followed by the Finance & Insurance (\$66,136) sector.

The 2008 average annual wage in the Providence Metro Area increased by \$1,449 (+3.5%) over the year, slightly surpassing the statewide growth rate of 3.2 percent. Between 2007 and 2008, workers in the Management of Companies & Enterprises sector benefited from an average annual wage increase of \$11,868, the largest wage gain reported among all sectors. Other sectors with sizable wage increases include Finance & Insurance (+\$3,903) and Construction (+\$2,534).

RI REGIONS BY PRIVATE EMPLOYMENT 2008



PROVIDENCE METRO / PROVIDENCE COUNTY 2008						
NAICS Sector	2008 Data			Over-the-Year Difference 2007-2008		
	Average Employment	Total Wages	Average Annual Wage	Average Employment	Total Wages	Average Annual Wage
Total Private Only	163,453	\$7,023,229,583	\$42,968	-4,553	+\$47,812,390	+\$1,449
Construction	6,787	\$388,329,681	\$57,217	-386	-\$3,907,615	+\$2,534
Manufacturing	14,008	\$585,462,232	\$41,795	-1,157	-\$16,776,376	+\$2,082
Wholesale Trade	6,088	\$334,867,083	\$55,004	-100	+\$5,465,216	+\$1,772
Retail Trade	15,693	\$396,377,943	\$25,258	-591	-\$10,851,666	+\$250
Transportation & Warehousing	1,915	\$73,781,753	\$38,528	-42	+\$722,833	+\$1,196
Information	5,979	\$375,325,016	\$62,774	-195	-\$9,950,387	+\$371
Finance & Insurance	11,337	\$749,786,331	\$66,136	-971	-\$16,177,791	+\$3,903
Real Estate & Rental & Leasing	2,693	\$111,720,871	\$41,486	-152	-\$10,122,843	-\$1,342
Professional & Technical Services	9,991	\$629,311,010	\$62,988	-158	+\$4,123,536	+\$1,387
Management of Companies & Enterprises	2,265	\$282,864,901	\$124,885	-132	+\$11,963,840	+\$11,868
Administrative & Waste Management	12,600	\$350,021,567	\$27,779	-780	-\$2,324,562	+\$1,446
Educational Services	12,376	\$571,729,022	\$46,197	+191	+\$34,082,469	+\$2,073
Health Care & Social Assistance	36,807	\$1,625,829,073	\$44,172	+288	+\$51,390,919	+\$1,059
Arts, Entertainment & Recreation	1,991	\$40,100,969	\$20,141	-86	+\$910,071	+\$1,272
Accommodation & Food Services	14,487	\$235,456,639	\$16,253	-230	+\$661,985	+\$299
Other Services	7,665	\$218,884,982	\$28,556	-84	+\$3,064,700	+\$705
All Remaining Sectors*	772	\$53,343,405	\$69,098	+46	+\$6,042,872	+\$3,946

*Remaining sectors include Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing & Hunting; Mining; and Utilities. Unclassified data is not included; therefore, totals may not add.



WASHINGTON COUNTY

EMPLOYMENT AND WAGE ANALYSIS

2008

The 4,395 private business establishments in Washington County employed 41,106 workers and paid over \$1.4 billion in wages in 2008.

WASHINGTON COUNTY AT A GLANCE

MUNICIPALITIES:

Charlestown
Exeter
Hopkinton
Narragansett
New Shoreham
North Kingstown
Richmond
South Kingstown
Westerly

EMPLOYERS:

4,395 private businesses

WORKFORCE:

41,106 private-sector workers

AVERAGE WAGE:

\$35,441

TOP INDUSTRIES:

Health Care & Social Assistance
Manufacturing
Retail Trade

INDUSTRIES

Nearly two-thirds of the county employment was concentrated in the Health Care & Social Assistance (7,118), Manufacturing (7,092) and Retail Trade (6,923) and Accommodation & Food Services (5,588) sectors.

EMPLOYMENT

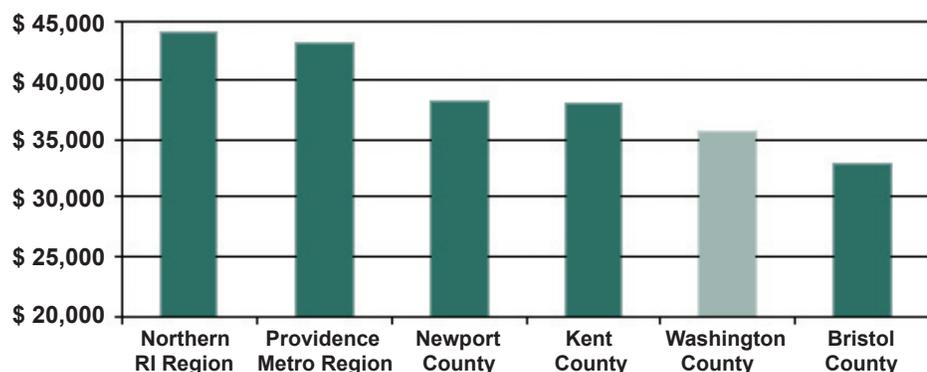
Overall, Washington County accounted for slightly more than 10 percent of Rhode Island's 407,900 private sector jobs in 2008, and nearly nine percent (\$1.5 billion) of the \$16.7 billion earned in 2008.

Between 2007 and 2008, Washington County private sector employment decreased by 198 jobs, or -0.5 percent, the smallest decline among all Rhode Island counties on a percentage basis. Statewide private employment reported a 2.4 percent decline during this period. Notable job losses were reported in the Retail Trade (-298), Construction (-149) and Other Services (-129). The Real Estate, Rental & Leasing (+131), Arts, Entertainment & Recreation (+118) and Manufacturing (+110) sectors each added over 100 jobs over the year.

Between 2007 and 2008, Westerly lost 620 (-6.6%) private sector jobs, the largest employment loss among the Washington County communities. Notable job losses within the town were reported in the Manufacturing (-193), Retail Trade (-193) and Information (-190) sectors.

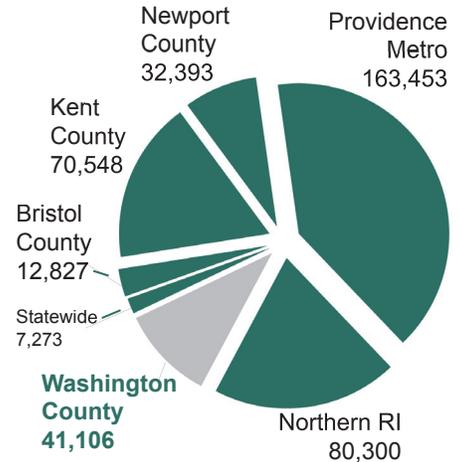
Modest employment losses were reported in Charlestown (-55), Hopkinton (-34), New Shoreham (-22) and Richmond (-10) during this period. Four Washington County municipalities, North Kingstown (+255), Narragansett (+163), South Kingstown (+90) and Exeter (+35) experienced positive employment growth between 2007 and 2008.

2008 AVERAGE ANNUAL WAGES



NOTE: Data is derived from the Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages, developed through a cooperative program between the State of Rhode Island and the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

RI REGIONS BY PRIVATE EMPLOYMENT 2008



WAGES

The 2008 average annual wage in Washington County was \$35,441. The Wholesale Trade (\$62,685) sector paid the highest annual wage, followed by the Professional & Technical Services (\$60,421) and Finance & Insurance (\$54,264) sectors.

The 2008 average annual wage in Washington County decreased by \$374, or -1.0 percent over the year, becoming the only county to report an annual wage decline during this period. Statewide, the annual wages increased by 3.2 percent when compared to the 2007 annual wage. Between 2007 and 2008, the Wholesale Trade (-\$10,391) sector reported the largest annual wage decrease, followed by the Information (-\$7,625) sector.

WASHINGTON COUNTY						
NAICS Sector	2008 Data			Over-the-Year Difference 2007-2008		
	Average Employment	Total Wages	Average Annual Wage	Average Employment	Total Wages	Average Annual Wage
Total Private Only	41,106	\$1,456,820,454	\$35,441	-198	-\$22,477,761	-\$374
Construction	1,925	\$84,209,390	\$43,745	-149	-\$3,225,971	+\$1,587
Manufacturing	7,092	\$363,931,283	\$51,316	+110	-\$19,879,507	-\$3,656
Wholesale Trade	1,550	\$97,161,878	\$62,685	+31	-\$13,841,049	-\$10,391
Retail Trade	6,923	\$177,011,878	\$25,569	-298	-\$7,754,089	-\$19
Transportation & Warehousing	942	\$29,136,972	\$30,931	-18	+\$1,837,034	+\$2,494
Information	609	\$27,190,858	\$44,648	-108	-\$10,289,490	-\$7,625
Finance & Insurance	940	\$51,008,553	\$54,264	-105	-\$3,036,240	+\$2,547
Real Estate & Rental & Leasing	600	\$15,522,138	\$25,870	+131	+\$1,324,260	-\$4,402
Professional & Technical Services	1,382	\$83,501,276	\$60,421	+78	+\$11,334,393	+\$5,078
Management of Companies & Enterprises	844	\$38,785,031	\$45,954	-7	+\$59,342	+\$448
Administrative & Waste Management	1,301	\$38,901,533	\$29,901	+24	+\$1,512,782	+\$623
Educational Services	491	\$14,752,678	\$30,046	+28	+\$1,179,040	+\$729
Health Care & Social Assistance	7,118	\$252,879,912	\$35,527	+87	+\$13,413,697	+\$1,468
Arts, Entertainment & Recreation	1,372	\$31,010,234	\$22,602	+118	+\$2,729,646	+\$50
Accommodation & Food Services	5,588	\$84,527,770	\$15,127	+80	+\$2,769,527	+\$283
Other Services	1,866	\$42,547,108	\$22,801	-129	+\$1,560,434	+\$2,257
All Remaining Sectors*	569	\$24,730,992	\$43,464	-60	-\$1,927,721	+\$1,081

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