

Multiple Jobholders in the Ocean State

According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics' Current Population Survey, 5.8 percent of employed Rhode Islanders sixteen years and older held more than one job in 2018. This represented a 0.1 percentage point increase from the state's 2017 rate and is Rhode Island's highest level since 2014.

Historical data show that Rhode Island's multiple jobholder rate consistently surpasses the United States average. In 1994, 5.9 percent of the nation's workers held two or more jobs, 0.9 percentage points less than in the Ocean State. This gap widened to 2.3 percentage points in 1999 and again in 2009. The gap now stands at 0.8 percentage points.

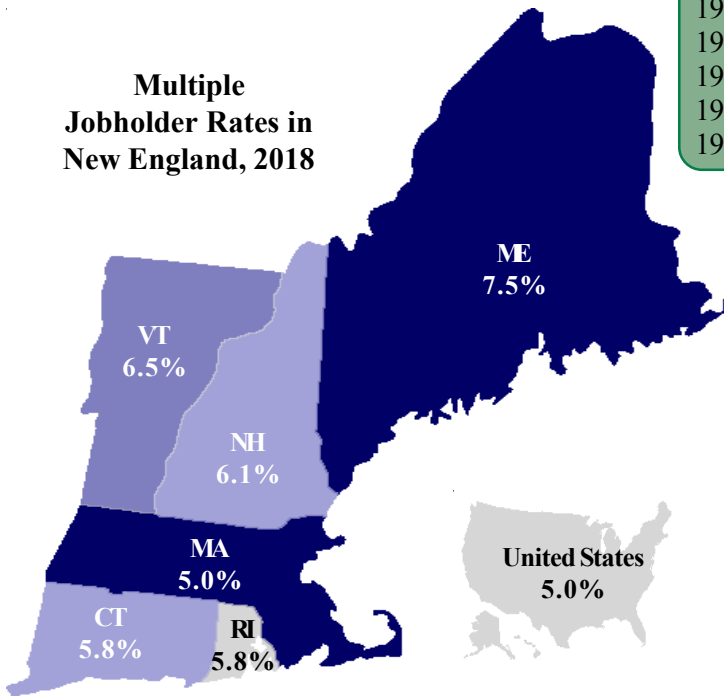
Since 1994, Rhode Island has ranked among the top half of states with the highest multiple jobholder rates. In 1994, the Ocean State ranked twentieth in the nation, rising to fourteenth place in 1999 and 2000. In 2018, the Ocean State was tied for the eighteenth highest multiple jobholder rate in the United States. The highest rates were reported in South Dakota (8.2%), Montana (7.9%), Nebraska (7.7%) and Wisconsin (7.7%) while

Multiple Jobholders as Percentage of Total Employed

16 years and older

	RI	CT	MA	ME	NH	VT	US
2018	5.8%	5.8%	5.0%	7.5%	6.1%	6.5%	5.0%
2017	5.7%	6.5%	5.5%	7.3%	5.6%	7.7%	4.9%
2016	4.6%	6.4%	5.4%	8.0%	6.2%	7.1%	5.0%
2015	5.6%	5.6%	5.5%	8.2%	6.5%	7.2%	4.9%
2014	6.4%	5.9%	5.6%	8.0%	6.8%	8.5%	4.9%
2013	5.7%	5.6%	5.4%	8.6%	5.9%	8.8%	4.9%
2012	5.6%	5.8%	5.4%	8.1%	6.0%	8.6%	4.9%
2011	5.9%	5.5%	5.4%	8.1%	6.1%	8.3%	4.9%
2010	7.0%	6.3%	5.5%	7.0%	6.5%	8.7%	4.9%
2009	7.5%	5.8%	6.0%	7.7%	7.0%	7.9%	5.2%
2008	7.2%	5.9%	6.1%	8.3%	6.6%	8.9%	5.2%
2007	6.6%	6.3%	5.2%	8.1%	6.9%	9.4%	5.2%
2006	6.9%	5.9%	5.6%	8.2%	7.3%	9.3%	5.2%
2005	6.5%	5.5%	5.8%	7.8%	6.3%	8.3%	5.3%
2004	5.8%	5.3%	5.4%	7.7%	6.4%	8.5%	5.4%
2003	6.4%	4.9%	4.9%	7.9%	6.2%	8.9%	5.3%
2002	6.2%	5.9%	4.9%	7.2%	6.5%	8.9%	5.3%
2001	7.2%	6.4%	4.8%	7.1%	7.0%	7.8%	5.4%
2000	7.8%	6.5%	5.8%	8.6%	6.3%	9.2%	5.6%
1999	8.1%	5.9%	5.9%	8.0%	7.1%	8.7%	5.8%
1998	7.0%	5.1%	6.1%	8.0%	7.3%	8.8%	6.0%
1997	7.0%	5.3%	6.4%	8.8%	8.0%	8.9%	6.1%
1996	6.8%	6.1%	7.2%	7.9%	7.8%	8.6%	6.2%
1995	7.5%	5.4%	6.8%	6.7%	8.9%	8.5%	6.2%
1994	6.8%	6.1%	6.5%	6.5%	7.3%	7.9%	5.9%

Multiple Jobholder Rates in New England, 2018



New Mexico (3.6%), Arkansas (3.7%) and California (3.8%) had the lowest percentages of multiple jobholders in the country.

Within New England, Rhode Island (5.8%) and Connecticut (5.8%) were tied for the fourth highest multiple jobholder rate in 2018. Maine's multiple jobholder rate of 7.5 percent was the highest in the region. Vermont (6.5%) reported the next highest multiple jobholder rate in the region, followed by New Hampshire (6.1%). Massachusetts reported the lowest multiple jobholder rate in New England at 5.0 percent. Each of the six New England states reported multiple jobholder rates at or above the national average (5.0%).

Multiple jobholders are defined as employed persons sixteen years and older who "had either two or more jobs as a wage and salary worker; were self-employed and also held one or more wage and salary jobs; or worked as unpaid family workers and also held one or more wage and salary jobs."

Multiple Jobholders as a Percentage of Total Employment by State 2008- 2018 Annual Average

<u>State</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
United States	5.0	4.9	5.0	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	5.2	5.2
Alabama	4.4	4.3	4.5	4.3	3.9	3.7	4.0	3.3	3.3	4.6	4.2
Alaska	6.3	6.7	7.3	7.5	7.4	6.7	6.1	6.2	7.2	7.8	8.0
Arizona	5.4	4.6	4.7	4.0	4.2	4.9	4.8	3.9	4.1	3.8	4.6
Arkansas	3.7	3.8	3.8	3.9	3.6	4.0	4.7	3.7	4.3	4.8	5.1
California	3.8	4.2	4.2	4.0	4.1	4.1	4.2	4.3	4.4	4.4	4.5
Colorado	5.8	5.8	6.2	5.6	6.3	6.2	5.7	5.8	5.7	6.0	6.1
Connecticut	5.8	6.5	6.4	5.6	5.9	5.6	5.8	5.5	6.3	5.8	5.9
Delaware	4.8	4.8	4.3	4.1	4.1	4.4	4.9	4.2	4.5	4.4	5.2
District of Columbia	5.9	5.3	5.5	5.5	4.3	4.7	4.3	4.3	4.6	5.2	4.5
Florida	4.0	3.5	3.7	3.5	3.3	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.6	4.2	4.2
Georgia	3.9	3.9	4.1	3.8	3.8	3.5	3.9	3.8	3.9	4.6	4.5
Hawaii	6.9	6.5	5.5	5.7	6.0	5.8	6.2	6.1	7.0	7.7	8.1
Idaho	5.8	6.6	6.2	5.5	6.9	6.1	6.0	7.4	7.1	7.0	7.5
Illinois	5.3	5.2	4.9	5.2	5.3	4.8	5.1	5.0	5.5	5.4	4.7
Indiana	5.9	5.3	5.3	5.5	5.6	4.7	4.6	4.9	4.7	5.0	4.7
Iowa	7.2	8.1	7.6	8.6	8.2	7.6	7.3	7.6	8.4	8.8	8.6
Kansas	5.6	6.0	6.3	6.2	6.6	7.5	8.2	7.8	7.0	7.4	8.1
Kentucky	5.7	5.4	5.2	5.2	4.8	5.3	5.4	4.3	5.5	5.5	5.9
Louisiana	5.2	4.7	5.0	4.4	4.3	4.9	3.8	4.0	3.5	3.9	4.1
Maine	7.5	7.3	8.0	8.2	8.0	8.6	8.1	8.1	7.0	7.7	8.3
Maryland	5.3	5.6	5.7	5.3	5.6	6.1	5.4	5.3	5.4	5.7	6.3
Massachusetts	5.0	5.5	5.4	5.5	5.6	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.5	6.0	6.1
Michigan	4.8	4.9	4.7	4.6	4.5	4.7	4.4	5.0	4.7	4.6	5.6
Minnesota	7.6	7.2	6.8	7.7	7.7	8.0	8.1	8.1	8.6	9.0	8.8
Mississippi	4.0	4.6	4.0	4.3	4.2	4.3	5.0	5.3	5.1	5.5	4.9
Missouri	5.3	5.6	6.8	5.8	5.9	6.5	5.3	5.6	5.8	5.8	5.3
Montana	7.9	7.6	7.4	7.8	7.8	6.9	7.5	6.3	8.2	6.6	7.1
Nebraska	7.7	7.9	8.2	7.7	8.4	7.9	8.5	8.6	9.0	9.5	9.8
Nevada	4.2	4.0	4.0	3.8	4.1	4.2	4.5	5.0	4.2	3.7	3.7
New Hampshire	6.1	5.6	6.2	6.5	6.8	5.9	6.0	6.1	6.5	7.0	6.6
New Jersey	4.3	4.1	4.2	3.9	4.0	4.3	4.5	4.4	3.9	4.3	4.1
New Mexico	3.6	4.1	3.6	3.9	4.9	4.1	4.0	3.7	4.6	4.5	4.7
New York	4.5	3.9	3.8	4.1	4.0	3.9	3.9	4.4	4.3	4.6	4.6
North Carolina	4.7	4.7	4.9	5.0	4.6	4.9	5.1	5.1	4.5	4.9	5.2
North Dakota	7.2	7.3	7.3	7.7	7.5	7.9	8.0	9.0	8.9	9.8	9.8
Ohio	6.4	6.0	6.5	6.5	6.2	5.8	6.1	6.0	5.7	5.9	5.9
Oklahoma	4.7	4.7	4.2	4.2	4.5	4.1	4.2	4.1	4.5	4.4	5.0
Oregon	5.5	5.7	5.4	5.4	5.7	6.2	6.7	6.6	6.5	5.9	5.9
Pennsylvania	6.3	5.4	6.0	6.0	5.6	5.0	5.0	5.4	5.3	5.8	5.5
Rhode Island	5.8	5.7	4.6	5.6	6.4	5.7	5.6	5.9	7.0	7.5	7.2
South Carolina	4.4	4.0	3.9	3.7	3.7	4.3	3.7	3.6	4.1	4.5	4.7
South Dakota	8.2	8.5	8.2	9.1	8.7	8.9	9.5	9.0	10.3	10.3	9.5
Tennessee	4.5	4.3	4.4	4.3	4.4	4.5	4.1	4.6	4.1	4.4	5.0
Texas	3.9	4.0	3.7	3.7	3.9	3.9	4.0	3.9	3.8	4.1	4.2
Utah	7.5	7.7	7.2	6.5	5.7	6.0	6.0	5.8	6.5	7.6	6.9
Vermont	6.5	7.7	7.1	7.2	8.5	8.8	8.6	8.3	8.7	7.9	8.9
Virginia	5.7	5.8	5.3	5.2	5.5	5.2	4.4	4.5	4.4	5.0	4.8
Washington	5.3	5.2	5.7	5.4	5.1	5.9	5.7	5.7	5.6	5.5	5.2
West Virginia	4.7	4.4	4.6	4.8	4.8	4.9	4.3	4.1	4.4	4.5	4.3
Wisconsin	7.7	7.5	8.3	7.6	6.7	6.3	6.9	6.9	6.9	7.6	7.7
Wyoming	6.3	6.7	6.3	6.0	6.3	6.6	7.0	7.5	8.8	8.7	8.4

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, Current Population Survey

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