

Multiple Jobholders in the Ocean State

According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics' Current Population Survey, 7.0 percent of employed Rhode Islanders sixteen years and older held more than one job in 2010. This represented a 0.5 percentage point decrease from the state's 2009 rate and is at its lowest level since 2007 (6.6%).

Historical data show that Rhode Island's multiple jobholder rate consistently surpasses the United States average. In 1994, 6.0 percent of the nation's workers held two or more jobs, 0.8 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 2.1 percentage points.

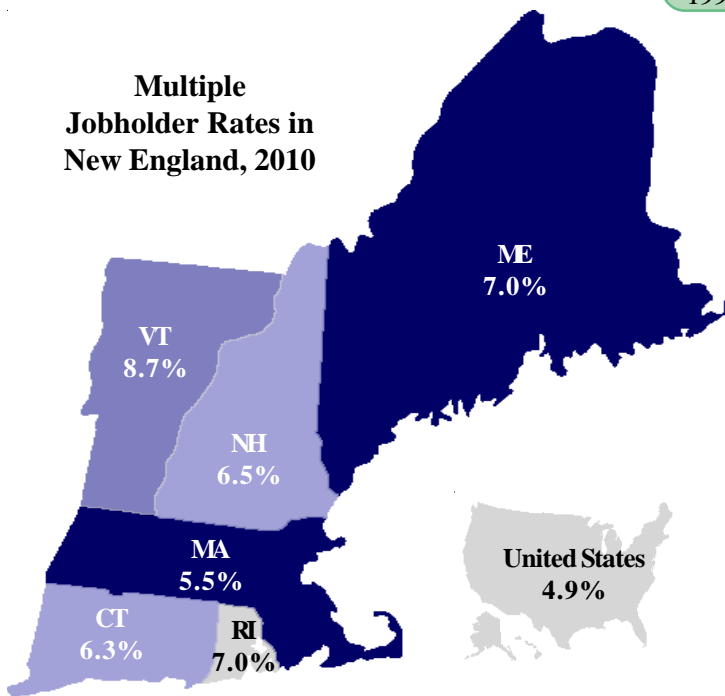
Since 1994, Rhode Island has ranked among the top half of states with the highest multiple jobholder rates. In 1994, the Ocean State ranked twentieth in the nation, rising to fourteenth place in 1999 and 2000. In these latter years, Rhode Island's

Multiple Jobholders as Percentage of Total Employed

16 years and older

	<u>RI</u>	<u>CT</u>	<u>MA</u>	<u>ME</u>	<u>NH</u>	<u>VT</u>	<u>US</u>
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%	6.3%
1996	6.8%	6.1%	7.2%	7.9%	7.8%	8.6%	6.4%
1995	7.5%	5.4%	6.8%	6.7%	8.9%	8.5%	6.3%
1994	6.8%	6.1%	6.5%	6.5%	7.3%	7.9%	6.0%

Multiple Jobholder Rates in New England, 2010



percentage of multiple jobholders peaked, while the national rate began to fall. In 2010, the Ocean State reported the eleventh highest multiple jobholder rate in the United States. The highest rates were reported in South Dakota (10.3%), Nebraska (9.0%) and North Dakota (8.9%), while Alabama (3.3%), Louisiana (3.5%) and Florida (3.6%) had the lowest percentages of multiple jobholders in the country.

Within New England, Rhode Island (7.0%), along with Maine (7.0%), had the second highest multiple jobholder rate in 2010. Vermont's multiple jobholder rate of 8.7 percent remained the highest in the region, a distinction the Green Mountain State has held in all but one year since 1994. New Hampshire (6.5%) reported the next highest multiple jobholder rate in the region, followed by Connecticut (6.3%) and Massachusetts (5.5%). Each of the six New England states reported multiple jobholder rates above the national average (4.9%).

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 2000- 2010 Annual Averages

<u>State</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>	<u>2001</u>	<u>2000</u>
United States	4.9	5.2	5.2	5.2	5.2	5.3	5.4	5.3	5.3	5.4	5.6
Alabama	3.3	4.6	4.2	4.7	4.5	4.1	4.1	4.0	3.8	4.1	5.1
Alaska	7.2	7.8	8.0	7.4	9.0	9.2	7.7	7.7	7.5	8.1	7.6
Arizona	4.1	3.8	4.6	4.5	4.7	5.3	5.2	5.5	5.8	5.4	4.9
Arkansas	4.3	4.8	5.1	4.5	5.4	4.7	5.0	6.0	5.3	5.0	5.4
California	4.4	4.4	4.5	4.4	4.2	4.4	4.4	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.8
Colorado	5.7	6.0	6.1	6.0	5.8	6.0	6.5	6.2	5.7	5.8	6.0
Connecticut	6.3	5.8	5.9	6.3	5.9	5.5	5.3	4.9	5.9	6.4	6.5
Delaware	4.5	4.4	5.2	4.4	4.4	4.8	4.6	4.3	4.7	5.2	5.7
District of Columbia	4.6	5.2	4.5	4.6	5.4	5.2	4.6	5.0	5.2	4.5	6.2
Florida	3.6	4.2	4.2	3.9	3.9	4.1	4.3	4.0	3.9	4.2	3.9
Georgia	3.9	4.6	4.5	4.1	3.5	4.2	3.9	3.9	3.8	4.1	4.2
Hawaii	7.0	7.7	8.1	8.2	8.0	8.0	7.6	7.6	8.2	9.8	9.3
Idaho	7.1	7.0	7.5	6.5	8.3	8.0	8.6	8.1	6.9	8.0	7.9
Illinois	5.5	5.4	4.7	5.2	4.9	5.2	5.4	4.6	4.7	4.9	5.4
Indiana	4.7	5.0	4.7	4.7	4.3	4.5	5.2	5.4	6.1	6.2	6.0
Iowa	8.4	8.8	8.6	8.8	8.9	8.6	7.6	7.5	8.1	8.1	8.1
Kansas	7.0	7.4	8.1	8.9	7.5	8.3	8.8	8.6	8.1	8.3	8.0
Kentucky	5.5	5.5	5.9	6.4	5.6	6.3	6.0	5.8	5.7	5.7	5.7
Louisiana	3.5	3.9	4.1	4.4	4.5	4.7	5.3	4.6	3.7	4.2	4.2
Maine	7.0	7.7	8.3	8.1	8.2	7.8	7.7	7.9	7.2	7.1	8.6
Maryland	5.4	5.7	6.3	5.9	5.5	5.6	5.8	5.9	6.7	5.6	5.8
Massachusetts	5.5	6.0	6.1	5.2	5.6	5.8	5.4	4.9	4.9	4.8	5.8
Michigan	4.7	4.6	5.6	5.7	5.6	5.4	5.2	5.3	5.5	5.6	5.3
Minnesota	8.6	9.0	8.8	8.7	8.7	8.4	8.1	8.5	9.2	8.4	8.4
Mississippi	5.1	5.5	4.9	4.7	4.1	4.4	4.7	4.9	5.0	4.5	4.3
Missouri	5.8	5.8	5.3	6.2	6.7	6.5	6.5	6.5	5.9	6.5	7.6
Montana	8.2	6.6	7.1	8.0	8.1	8.2	9.0	8.5	8.8	9.3	9.8
Nebraska	9.0	9.5	9.8	9.7	9.9	9.1	8.5	9.4	10.3	10.4	10.3
Nevada	4.2	3.7	3.7	3.8	4.0	3.8	4.0	3.9	4.5	4.8	5.0
New Hampshire	6.5	7.0	6.6	6.9	7.3	6.3	6.4	6.2	6.5	7.0	6.3
New Jersey	3.9	4.3	4.1	4.6	4.9	4.6	4.6	4.7	4.1	4.6	4.2
New Mexico	4.6	4.5	4.7	5.0	5.3	5.6	5.7	5.2	5.2	4.3	4.8
New York	4.3	4.6	4.6	4.2	4.5	4.6	4.6	4.2	4.8	4.8	5.0
North Carolina	4.5	4.9	5.2	5.3	5.3	5.9	5.6	4.8	4.9	5.0	4.9
North Dakota	8.9	9.8	9.8	8.7	8.4	9.9	10.1	9.7	9.2	9.9	10.0
Ohio	5.7	5.9	5.9	6.3	6.4	6.2	5.8	6.2	5.9	6.2	6.3
Oklahoma	4.5	4.4	5.0	4.4	4.7	6.1	6.5	5.6	6.5	6.0	6.4
Oregon	6.5	5.9	5.9	5.7	6.3	5.8	5.2	5.9	6.0	6.1	6.4
Pennsylvania	5.3	5.8	5.5	5.3	5.5	5.2	5.5	5.5	5.6	5.6	5.7
Rhode Island	7.0	7.5	7.2	6.6	6.9	6.5	5.8	6.4	6.2	7.2	7.8
South Carolina	4.1	4.5	4.7	4.9	4.5	5.3	4.9	5.1	4.4	4.7	4.5
South Dakota	10.3	10.3	9.5	10.2	9.9	9.4	9.2	8.6	8.9	8.7	9.0
Tennessee	4.1	4.4	5.0	4.5	5.1	5.0	5.0	5.3	4.7	5.5	5.1
Texas	3.8	4.1	4.2	4.5	4.3	4.6	4.9	4.8	4.7	4.7	4.7
Utah	6.5	7.6	6.9	6.9	7.5	8.2	8.8	9.0	7.8	7.4	7.0
Vermont	8.7	7.9	8.9	9.4	9.3	8.3	8.5	8.9	8.9	7.8	9.2
Virginia	4.4	5.0	4.8	4.8	4.9	4.6	5.3	5.0	5.3	4.8	5.6
Washington	5.6	5.5	5.2	5.9	5.7	5.4	5.9	6.1	5.8	6.7	7.6
West Virginia	4.4	4.5	4.3	4.2	3.5	3.6	4.3	4.6	3.9	4.4	5.1
Wisconsin	6.9	7.6	7.7	7.5	7.7	7.5	6.6	7.3	7.6	8.0	8.0
Wyoming	8.8	8.7	8.4	8.0	9.3	9.9	9.0	8.3	8.7	9.1	8.8

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, Current Population Survey

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