



Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training

Quarterly Census of Rhode Island Employment & Wages

Annual 2012 City/Town Analysis



Rhode Island private sector employment averaged 392,758 in 2012, an increase of 3,518 (+0.9%) jobs from 2011. This marks the largest over-the-year private sector employment gain since 2003, as 3,756 (+0.9%) jobs were added between 2002 and 2003. The employment growth in 2012 also marks two consecutive years of job gains, totaling over 5,600 private sector jobs.

The 2012 average annual wage in the private sector was \$44,581, an increase of \$1,055 (+2.4%) from the \$43,526 earned in 2011. Eighteen industry sectors reported an annual wage increase, while just one sector reported an annual wage decline during this period.

City/Town Analysis - Private sector

Private sector employment (individuals working within Cranston's city limits) in Cranston experienced a gain of 906 (+3.3%) positions between 2011 and 2012, the largest increase of its kind among all Rhode Island communities. The Administrative & Waste Services sector added 458 (+23.2%) jobs from 2011, while the Wholesale Trade (+278) and Retail Trade (+265) sectors also reported notable employment gains during this period. Smithfield (+755), North Kingstown (+297) and North Smithfield (+277) also reported sizable employment growth during this period.

The municipalities of North Smithfield (+7.1%), Jamestown (+6.6%) and Central Falls (+6.3%) experienced the largest employment increase on a percentage basis during this period.

Middletown lost 378 (-3.7%) private sector jobs between 2011 and 2012, the largest numeric employment decline among Rhode Island's thirty-nine cities and towns. Large employment losses, losses of over one-hundred workers, were also noted in Woonsocket (-260), Pawtucket (-200) and Newport (-101) over the year.

Middletown experienced the largest employment decrease on a percentage basis as private sector jobs fell by -3.7 percent since 2011. Charlestown (-3.2%) and Warren (-2.2%) also reported significant employment losses on a percentage basis.

Private sector employees earned over \$17.5 billion in wages in 2012, an increase of \$567.3 million (+3.3%) from 2011. As mentioned above, the average annual wage in the private sector increased by \$1,055 from the \$43,526 earned in 2011, to \$44,581 earned in 2012, a 2.4 percent increase.

Employees working in West Greenwich earned an average annual wage of \$73,144 in 2012, the highest private sector average annual wage among all Rhode Island cities and towns. Smithfield (\$68,545), Woonsocket (\$55,586), Portsmouth (\$50,507) and Providence (\$50,090) also reported sizable annual earnings in 2012. *Quarterly bonuses and exercised stock options are included in the calculation and therefore may impact the average annual wage.*

Top Ten Cities and Towns by Average Employment – Private Sector Annual 2012

<u>Municipality</u>	<u>Establishments</u>	<u>Average Employment</u>	<u>Total Wages</u>	<u>Average Annual Wage</u>
Providence	5,440	92,379	\$4,627,280,992	\$50,090
Warwick	3,050	43,416	\$1,765,956,319	\$40,675
Cranston	2,389	28,390	\$1,117,576,141	\$39,365
Pawtucket	1,501	21,451	\$947,075,837	\$44,151
East Providence	1,425	18,858	\$801,344,931	\$42,494
Smithfield	834	14,248	\$976,630,412	\$68,545
North Kingstown	978	13,387	\$603,207,499	\$45,059
Woonsocket	830	12,715	\$706,769,985	\$55,586
Newport	1,229	12,349	\$405,535,978	\$32,840
Lincoln	712	11,132	\$505,155,110	\$45,379

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<u>Municipality</u>	<u>Establishments</u>	<u>Average Employment</u>	<u>Total Wages</u>	<u>Average Weekly Wage</u>
Rhode Island	34,572	392,758	\$17,509,572,721	\$44,581
Barrington	464	2,338	76,161,627	\$32,576
Bristol	557	5,877	212,318,259	\$36,127
Burrillville	276	2,432	81,230,764	\$33,401
Central Falls	239	2,310	73,286,466	\$31,726
Charlestown	235	1,257	48,125,409	\$38,286
Coventry	671	6,224	201,469,863	\$32,370
Cranston	2,389	28,390	1,117,576,141	\$39,365
Cumberland	826	8,597	375,670,035	\$43,698
East Greenwich	742	6,314	269,391,209	\$42,666
East Providence	1,425	18,858	801,344,931	\$42,494
Exeter	166	1,391	51,303,070	\$36,882
Foster	88	352	10,595,726	\$30,101
Glocester	186	1,054	28,943,139	\$27,460
Hopkinton	184	1,095	41,609,564	\$38,000
Jamestown	195	976	38,639,985	\$39,590
Johnston	1,049	10,316	423,114,340	\$41,015
Lincoln	712	11,132	505,155,110	\$45,379
Little Compton	144	516	16,023,960	\$31,054
Middletown	734	9,738	415,385,196	\$42,656
Narragansett	452	3,429	97,788,382	\$28,518
Newport	1,229	12,349	405,535,978	\$32,840
New Shoreham	203	788	25,386,261	\$32,216
North Kingstown	978	13,387	603,207,499	\$45,059
North Providence	703	5,994	186,156,078	\$31,057
North Smithfield	366	4,205	136,366,964	\$32,430
Pawtucket	1,501	21,451	947,075,837	\$44,151
Portsmouth	508	4,999	252,486,577	\$50,507
Providence	5,440	92,379	4,627,280,992	\$50,090
Richmond	145	1,207	34,776,699	\$28,813
Scituate	251	958	27,077,130	\$28,264
Smithfield	834	14,248	976,630,412	\$68,545
South Kingstown	958	9,698	378,628,939	\$39,042
Tiverton	340	2,050	64,963,272	\$31,689
Warren	366	3,275	107,014,069	\$32,676
Warwick	3,050	43,416	1,765,956,319	\$40,675
Westerly	840	8,553	288,431,548	\$33,723
West Greenwich	182	2,667	195,074,097	\$73,144
West Warwick	576	6,624	277,375,330	\$41,874
Woonsocket	830	12,715	706,769,985	\$55,586
Statewide *	3,569	9,199	\$618,245,559	\$67,208

* Statewide - employment in multiple towns, at unknown locations, or outside RI.

Data compiled June 2013 at the RI DLT Labor Market Information office.

The data is subject to revisions & variations in sequences of rounding & averaging.

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