



Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training

Quarterly Census of Rhode Island Employment & Wages

Second Quarter 2005 City/Town Analysis



Rhode Island total employment averaged 482,416 in the second quarter of 2005, an increase of 2,142 (+0.4%) jobs when compared to the second quarter of 2004. Private sector employment added 3,768 workers and accounted for all of the job growth, while the Government sector lost 1,626 positions. Government employment at the State level declined by 821, followed by Local (-594) and Federal (-211) government.

Warwick added 845 private sector jobs in the second quarter of 2005, representing the largest employment growth of all cities and towns when compared to the second quarter of 2004. The Health Care & Social Assistance and Management of Companies & Enterprises sectors were catalyst in the growth, adding 423 and 405 jobs, respectively. Retail Trade (+272) and Finance & Insurance (+217) also posted positive gains, offsetting the loss of 534 jobs in the Manufacturing sector.

The workforce in North Kingstown increased by over 6 percent, adding 767 private sector jobs in the second quarter of 2005 when compared to the same quarter a year ago. Manufacturing (+277), Wholesale Trade (+128) and Accommodation & Food Services (+112) posted the largest job gains during this period. South Kingstown (+620), East Providence (+497) and Woonsocket (+479) complete the top five cities and towns in employment gains between the second quarter of 2004 and second quarter of 2005.

Providence experienced the largest job decline among all Rhode Island cities and towns, in the second quarter of 2005 when compared to the second quarter of 2004, losing 1,005 private sector jobs. Significant job losses were noted in the Finance & Insurance (-555) and Administrative & Waste Services (-376) sectors. Pawtucket (-942), Central Falls (-199) and Richmond (-111) also suffered job declines in excess of one hundred.

Over \$3.7 billion in wages was paid to private sector employees in the second quarter of 2005, an increase of \$175 million (+5.0%) from the second quarter of 2004. The average weekly wage in the private sector was \$684, an increase of \$26 (+4.0%) from the \$658 earned in the second quarter of 2004.

Employees working in West Greenwich earned an average weekly wage of \$1,288 in the second quarter of 2005, the largest wage of its kind among all Rhode Island cities and towns. Westerly (\$826) and Woonsocket (\$813) also reported sizable weekly earnings. *Quarterly bonuses and exercised stock options are included in the calculation and therefore may impact the average weekly wage.*

Top Ten Cities and Towns in Average Employment Second Quarter 2005

<u>Municipality</u>	<u>Establishments</u>	<u>Average Employment</u>	<u>Total Wages</u>	<u>Average Weekly Wage</u>
Providence	5,578	96,270	\$951,205,709	\$760
Warwick	3,300	48,697	\$393,068,233	\$621
Cranston	2,523	30,089	\$247,858,166	\$634
Pawtucket	1,570	24,967	\$209,383,518	\$645
East Providence	1,523	20,770	\$185,054,573	\$685
Woonsocket	859	13,664	\$144,328,414	\$813
North Kingstown	1,008	12,812	\$116,914,361	\$702
Newport	1,253	12,777	\$91,197,694	\$549
Lincoln	736	12,643	\$117,041,797	\$712
Smithfield	782	11,777	\$116,310,820	\$760

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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	34,921	417,665	\$3,716,046,461	\$684
Barrington	438	2,358	\$15,629,262	\$510
Bristol	572	6,488	\$49,095,201	\$582
Burrillville	293	2,293	\$15,689,541	\$526
Central Falls	255	2,457	\$17,710,283	\$554
Charlestown	231	1,459	\$10,887,161	\$574
Coventry	723	6,510	\$45,517,092	\$538
Cranston	2,523	30,089	\$247,858,166	\$634
Cumberland	828	8,070	\$64,647,690	\$616
East Greenwich	714	6,760	\$61,126,364	\$696
East Providence	1,523	20,770	\$185,054,573	\$685
Exeter	175	1,077	\$7,359,153	\$526
Foster	103	396	\$2,116,634	\$411
Glocester	200	1,236	\$8,485,453	\$528
Hopkinton	176	1,225	\$9,956,331	\$625
Jamestown	195	978	\$6,708,142	\$528
Johnston	1,120	11,118	\$97,458,603	\$674
Lincoln	736	12,643	\$117,041,797	\$712
Little Compton	123	534	\$3,111,263	\$448
Middletown	753	10,502	\$92,436,383	\$677
Narragansett	477	3,262	\$18,924,514	\$446
Newport	1,253	12,777	\$91,197,694	\$549
New Shoreham	188	791	\$4,520,380	\$440
North Kingstown	1,008	12,812	\$116,914,361	\$702
North Providence	734	7,735	\$56,144,142	\$558
North Smithfield	351	3,799	\$28,662,876	\$580
Pawtucket	1,570	24,967	\$209,383,518	\$645
Portsmouth	481	5,352	\$55,100,294	\$792
Providence	5,578	96,270	\$951,205,709	\$760
Richmond	139	1,285	\$7,952,590	\$476
Scituate	263	1,050	\$6,855,468	\$502
Smithfield	782	11,777	\$116,310,820	\$760
South Kingstown	990	9,823	\$77,085,516	\$604
Tiverton	391	2,252	\$15,428,565	\$527
Warren	385	4,274	\$31,077,423	\$559
Warwick	3,300	48,697	\$393,068,233	\$621
Westerly	845	9,331	\$100,157,820	\$826
West Greenwich	206	3,876	\$64,912,557	\$1,288
West Warwick	598	8,624	\$70,809,145	\$632
Woonsocket	859	13,664	\$144,328,414	\$813
Statewide *	2,842	8,277	\$98,117,330	\$912

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

Data compiled November 10, 2005 at the RI DLT Labor Market Information office.

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

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