



Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training

Quarterly Census of Rhode Island Employment & Wages

Second Quarter 2011 City/Town Analysis



Rhode Island total employment averaged 453,089 in the second quarter of 2011, an increase of 1,786 (+0.4%) jobs from the second quarter of 2010. Private sector employment posted a gain of 3,859 (+1.0%) jobs, while Government payroll was cut by 2,072 (-3.3%) jobs. Federal government reported a loss of 1,367 jobs, while local government employment declined by 1,065. State government increased by 359 jobs during this period.

City/Town Analysis - Private sector

Private sector employment in Warwick experienced a gain of 2,017 (+4.9%) positions between the second quarter of 2010 and second quarter of 2011, the largest employment level increase among all Rhode Island communities. The Retail Trade sector in Warwick added 1,028 (+15.8%) jobs from the second quarter 2010, followed by the Health Care & Social Assistance sector which increased by 467 (+5.5%) positions. Cranston (+1,031), Cumberland (+877), Providence (+589) and North Smithfield (+485) also reported sizable private sector employment gains during this period.

Foster (+15.5%), North Smithfield (+14.5%) and Cumberland (+11.4%) experienced the largest private sector employment gains on a percentage basis.

Lincoln lost 629 (-5.3%) private sector jobs between the second quarter of 2010 and second quarter of 2011, the largest employment loss among Rhode Island's thirty-nine cities and towns. Significant employment losses within the town were noted in the Manufacturing (-225), Finance & Insurance (-134) and Management of Companies & Enterprises (-122) sectors.

Glocester experienced the greatest employment decrease on a percentage basis as private sector jobs decreased by 7.4 percent (-85) from the second quarter of 2010. Lincoln experienced a 5.3 percent decrease followed by North Providence (-5.2%).

Private sector employees earned over \$4.1 billion in wages during the second quarter of 2011, an increase of \$183 million (+4.7%) from the second quarter of 2010. The average weekly wage in the private sector increased by \$28, from \$779 in the second quarter of 2010 to \$807 in the second quarter of 2011, a 3.6 percent increase.

Employees working in West Greenwich earned an average weekly wage of \$1,452 in the second quarter of 2011, the highest private sector average weekly wage among all Rhode Island cities and towns. Woonsocket (\$1,139), Smithfield (\$1,075), Portsmouth (\$965) and Providence (\$915) 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 by Average Employment – Private Sector Second Quarter 2011

<u>Municipality</u>	<u>Establishments</u>	<u>Average Employment</u>	<u>Total Wages</u>	<u>Average Weekly Wage</u>
Providence	5,411	92,626	\$1,101,834,151	\$915
Warwick	3,095	43,507	\$422,033,808	\$746
Cranston	2,389	27,528	\$266,692,098	\$745
Pawtucket	1,491	21,862	\$212,453,874	\$748
East Providence	1,420	18,966	\$188,418,522	\$764
Smithfield	821	13,475	\$188,347,036	\$1,075
North Kingstown	969	13,128	\$135,222,372	\$792
Woonsocket	811	13,015	\$192,629,474	\$1,139
Newport	1,228	12,774	\$99,677,509	\$600
Lincoln	716	11,306	\$122,671,489	\$835

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Rhode Island	34,158	392,096	\$4,114,203,818	\$807
Barrington	457	2,301	17,465,441	\$584
Bristol	564	6,086	50,089,339	\$633
Burrillville	278	2,356	18,709,650	\$611
Central Falls	244	2,153	17,314,966	\$619
Charlestown	237	1,359	12,006,565	\$680
Coventry	680	6,122	46,286,586	\$582
Cranston	2,389	27,528	266,692,098	\$745
Cumberland	818	8,548	85,436,823	\$769
East Greenwich	747	6,305	59,582,126	\$727
East Providence	1,420	18,966	188,418,522	\$764
Exeter	169	1,322	11,293,754	\$657
Foster	88	388	2,620,602	\$520
Glocester	188	1,061	7,140,905	\$518
Hopkinton	184	1,076	11,075,762	\$792
Jamestown	184	947	9,010,584	\$732
Johnston	1,033	10,160	97,014,103	\$735
Lincoln	716	11,306	122,671,489	\$835
Little Compton	147	527	3,917,108	\$572
Middletown	739	10,241	102,217,221	\$768
Narragansett	453	3,325	23,545,652	\$545
Newport	1,228	12,774	99,677,509	\$600
New Shoreham	197	720	5,950,168	\$636
North Kingstown	969	13,128	135,222,372	\$792
North Providence	691	5,975	48,559,504	\$625
North Smithfield	366	3,838	30,677,527	\$615
Pawtucket	1,491	21,862	212,453,874	\$748
Portsmouth	506	4,967	62,331,939	\$965
Providence	5,411	92,626	1,101,834,151	\$915
Richmond	145	1,195	8,356,736	\$538
Scituate	250	947	6,615,153	\$537
Smithfield	821	13,475	188,347,036	\$1,075
South Kingstown	972	9,778	86,397,121	\$680
Tiverton	355	2,039	15,627,965	\$590
Warren	361	3,379	26,854,147	\$611
Warwick	3,095	43,507	422,033,808	\$746
Westerly	842	8,610	69,804,936	\$624
West Greenwich	187	2,654	50,095,151	\$1,452
West Warwick	582	6,622	64,712,131	\$752
Woonsocket	811	13,015	192,629,474	\$1,139
Statewide *	3,143	8,904	133,513,820	\$1,153

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

Data compiled December 2011 at the RI DLT Labor Market Information office.

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

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