



# Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training

## Quarterly Census of Rhode Island Employment & Wages

### Second Quarter 2012 City/Town Analysis



Rhode Island total employment averaged 456,413 in the second quarter of 2012, an increase of 3,324 (+0.7%) jobs from the second quarter of 2011. All of the job gains were reported in the private sector which added 4,048 jobs, a 1.0 percent increase. The Government sector lost 724 (-1.2%) positions from the second quarter 2011, as the local and state branches lost 600 and 161 jobs, respectively, while the federal government added 37 employees during this period.

#### City/Town Analysis - Private sector

Private sector employment (individuals who work within Cranston's city limits) in Cranston experienced a gain of 901 (+3.3%) positions between the second quarter of 2011 and second quarter of 2012, the largest employment level increase among all Rhode Island communities. The Administrative & Waste Services sector in Cranston added 568 (+29.5%) jobs from the second quarter 2011. The job increase within this industry was the result of a new company that opened within the city and a \*noneconomic code change. In addition, Smithfield (+751), Providence (+603), North Smithfield (+413) and Johnston (+301) also reported sizable employment increases during this period.

Middletown lost 495 (-4.8%) private sector jobs between the second quarter of 2011 and second quarter of 2012, the largest employment loss among Rhode Island's thirty-nine cities and towns. A loss of 244 (-15.0%) Health Care & Social Assistance jobs were lost in Middletown during this period. Noted employment losses were also reported in Pawtucket (-251), Woonsocket (-183), Lincoln (-110) and Newport (-102).

Middletown experienced the greatest employment decrease on a percentage basis as private sector jobs decreased by 4.8 percent from the second quarter of 2011. Foster experienced a 3.4 percent decrease followed by Charlestown (-3.0%).

Private sector employees earned over \$4.1 billion in wages during the second quarter of 2012, an increase of \$69 million (+1.7%) from the second quarter of 2011. The average weekly wage in the private sector increased by \$5, from \$807 earned in the second quarter of 2011 to \$812 earned in the second quarter of 2012, a 0.7 percent increase.

Individuals working in West Greenwich earned an average weekly wage of \$1,455 in the second quarter of 2012, the highest private sector average weekly wage among all Rhode Island cities and towns. Smithfield (\$1,062), Woonsocket, (\$1,021), Portsmouth (\$941), and Providence (\$914) also reported sizable weekly earnings. *Quarterly bonuses and exercised stock options are included in the calculation and therefore may impact the average weekly wage.*

*\*Employment change within this sector was the result of a noneconomic code change. A noneconomic code change is a change in an industry code or a location code. In this case, a location code change resulted in as a gain of approximately 300 Administrative & Waste Services jobs.*

#### Top Ten Cities and Towns by Average Employment – Private Sector Second Quarter 2012

<u>Municipality</u>	<u>Establishments</u>	<u>Average Employment</u>	<u>Total Wages</u>	<u>Average Weekly Wage</u>
<b>Providence</b>	5,431	93,229	\$1,107,724,042	\$914
<b>Warwick</b>	3,036	43,563	\$433,352,632	\$765
<b>Cranston</b>	2,382	28,429	\$276,665,898	\$749
<b>Pawtucket</b>	1,493	21,611	\$219,430,019	\$781
<b>East Providence</b>	1,416	18,980	\$193,304,477	\$783
<b>Smithfield</b>	826	14,226	\$196,461,416	\$1,062
<b>North Kingstown</b>	969	13,390	\$145,919,242	\$838
<b>Woonsocket</b>	832	12,832	\$170,241,341	\$1,021
<b>Newport</b>	1,228	12,672	\$98,820,610	\$600
<b>Lincoln</b>	714	11,196	\$122,152,824	\$839

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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	34,548	396,114	\$4,183,755,638	\$812
Barrington	467	2,402	18,412,460	\$590
Bristol	553	6,037	53,026,707	\$676
Burrillville	279	2,493	20,190,961	\$623
Central Falls	238	2,353	18,686,785	\$611
Charlestown	236	1,318	12,404,033	\$724
Coventry	675	6,306	49,230,954	\$601
Cranston	2,382	28,429	276,665,898	\$749
Cumberland	815	8,607	88,892,775	\$794
East Greenwich	740	6,363	62,095,640	\$751
East Providence	1,416	18,980	193,304,477	\$783
Exeter	164	1,414	12,874,453	\$700
Foster	87	375	2,657,871	\$545
Glocester	185	1,089	7,272,066	\$514
Hopkinton	184	1,104	11,510,941	\$802
Jamestown	195	1,021	9,399,668	\$708
Johnston	1,047	10,461	101,329,345	\$745
Lincoln	714	11,196	122,152,824	\$839
Little Compton	144	527	3,900,532	\$569
Middletown	734	9,746	100,179,243	\$791
Narragansett	454	3,486	22,510,062	\$497
Newport	1,228	12,672	98,820,610	\$600
New Shoreham	203	771	5,368,258	\$536
North Kingstown	969	13,390	145,919,242	\$838
North Providence	705	6,127	44,997,093	\$565
North Smithfield	362	4,251	34,031,942	\$616
Pawtucket	1,493	21,611	219,430,019	\$781
Portsmouth	509	5,105	62,419,898	\$941
Providence	5,431	93,229	1,107,724,042	\$914
Richmond	144	1,254	8,781,499	\$539
Scituate	252	947	6,526,454	\$530
Smithfield	826	14,226	196,461,416	\$1,062
South Kingstown	959	9,803	88,210,852	\$692
Tiverton	346	2,101	16,031,430	\$587
Warren	365	3,317	26,916,013	\$624
Warwick	3,036	43,563	433,352,632	\$765
Westerly	839	8,691	68,628,020	\$607
West Greenwich	184	2,693	50,920,636	\$1,455
West Warwick	575	6,661	66,031,055	\$763
Woonsocket	832	12,832	170,241,341	\$1,021
Statewide *	3,581	9,185	\$146,245,491	\$1,225

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

Data compiled November 2012 at the RI DLT Labor Market Information office.

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

Source: Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages, developed through a cooperative program between the State of Rhode Island and the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

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