

# Labor Market Overview

Albany-Schenectady-Troy MSA

August 2011



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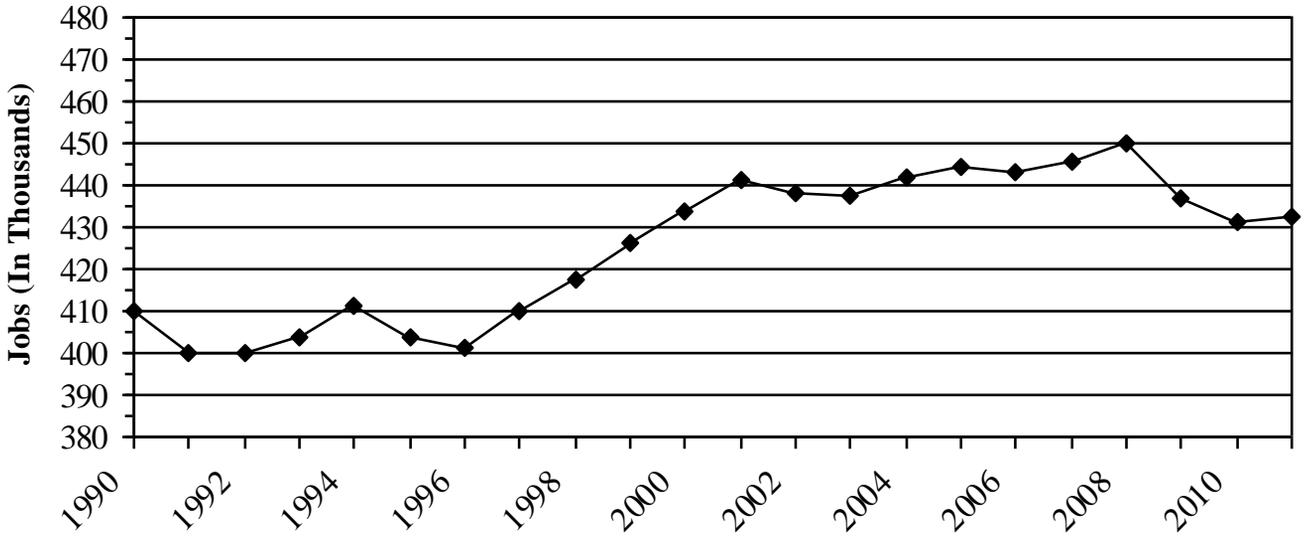
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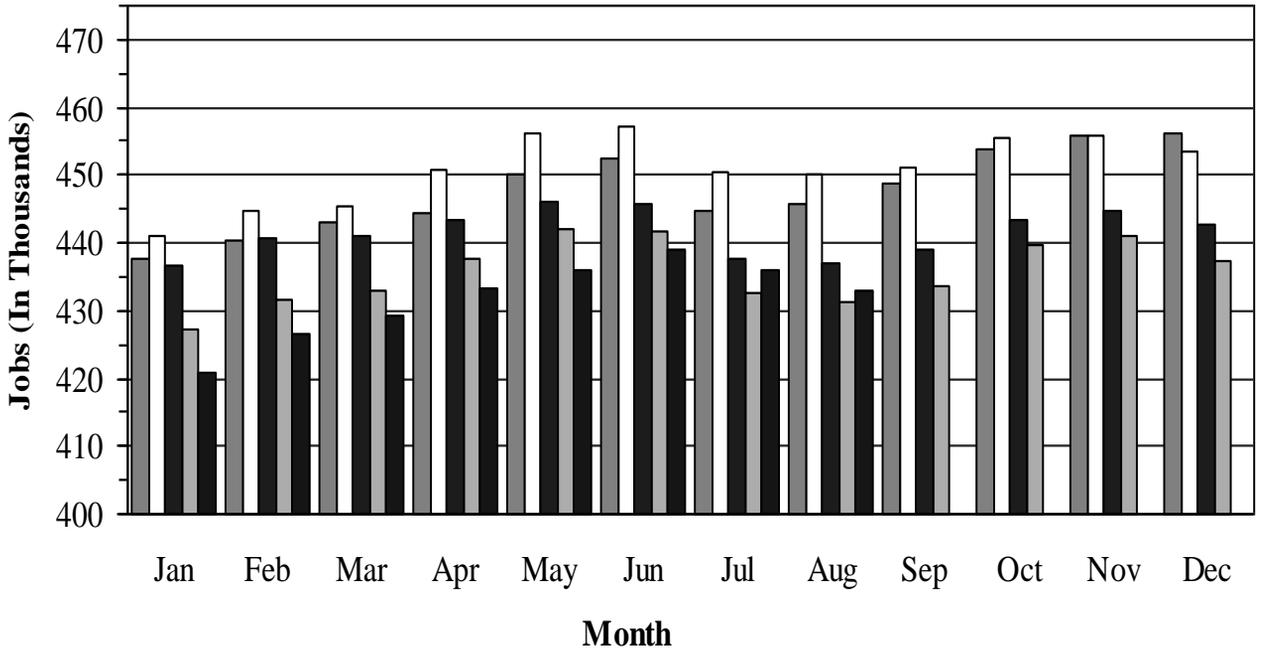
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**NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY JOBS**  
**ALBANY-SCHENECTADY-TROY MSA,**  
 August 1990-August 2011

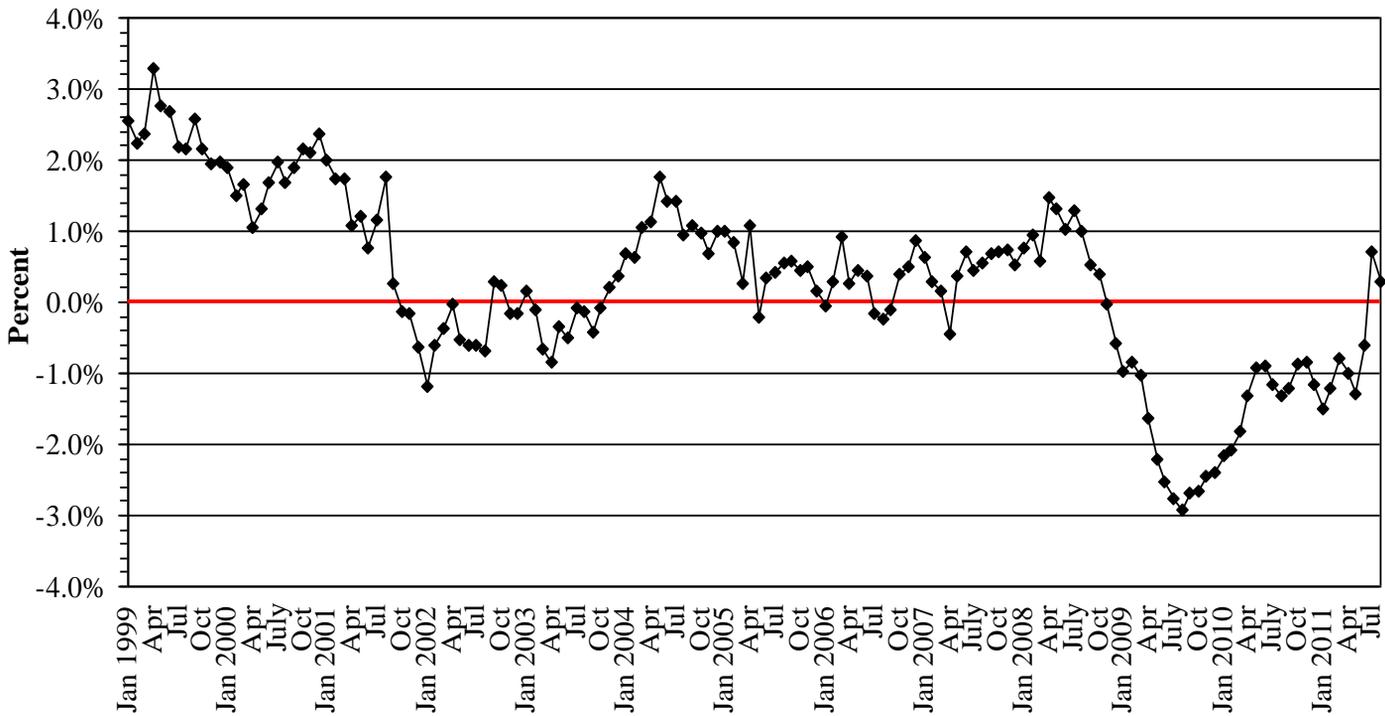


**MONTHLY JOB COUNTS**  
 ALBANY - SCHENECTADY - TROY MSA, 2007 - 2010



2007
  2008
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**RATE OF GROWTH IN JOBS**  
**ALBANY - SCHENECTADY - TROY MSA, January 1999 - August 2011**

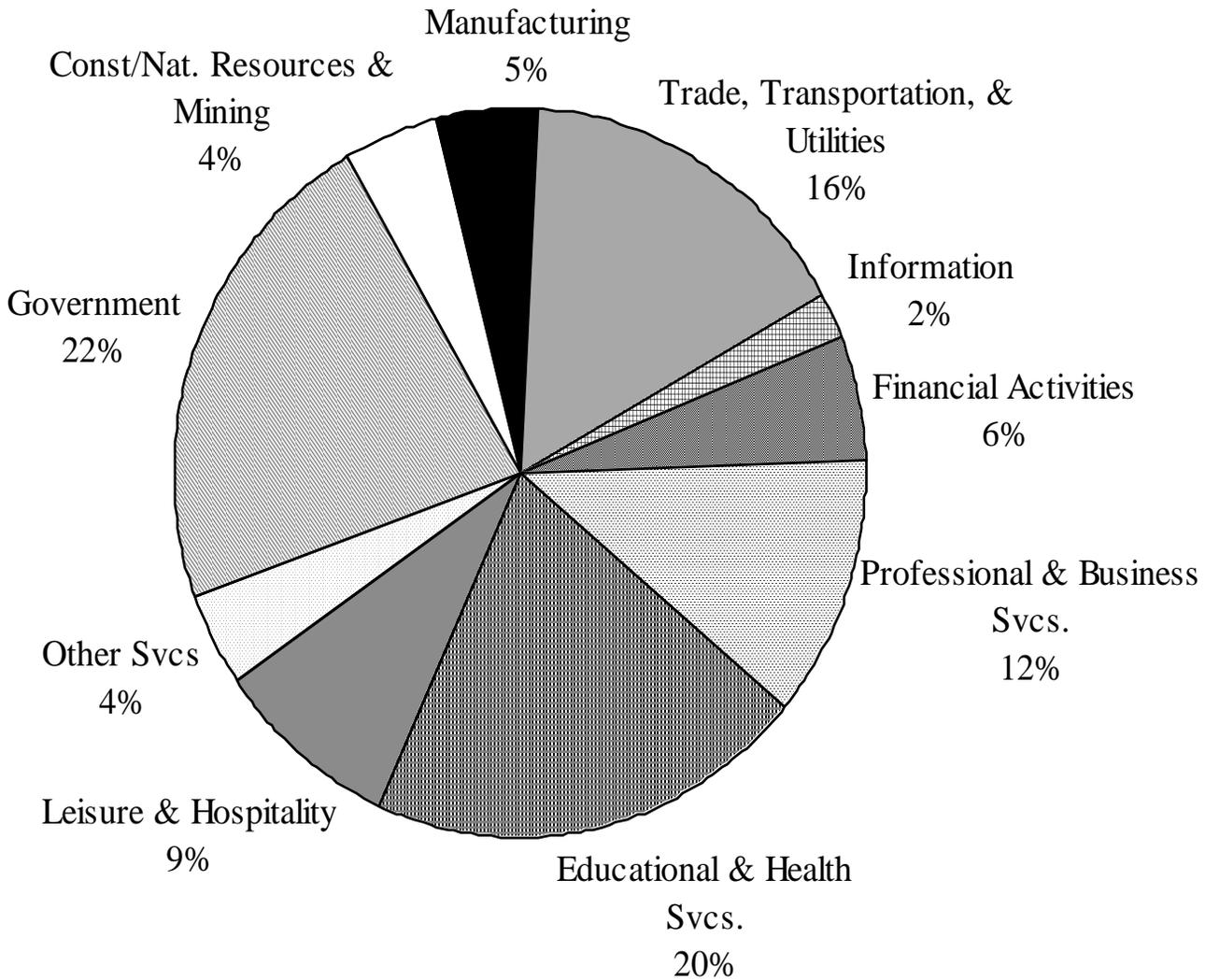


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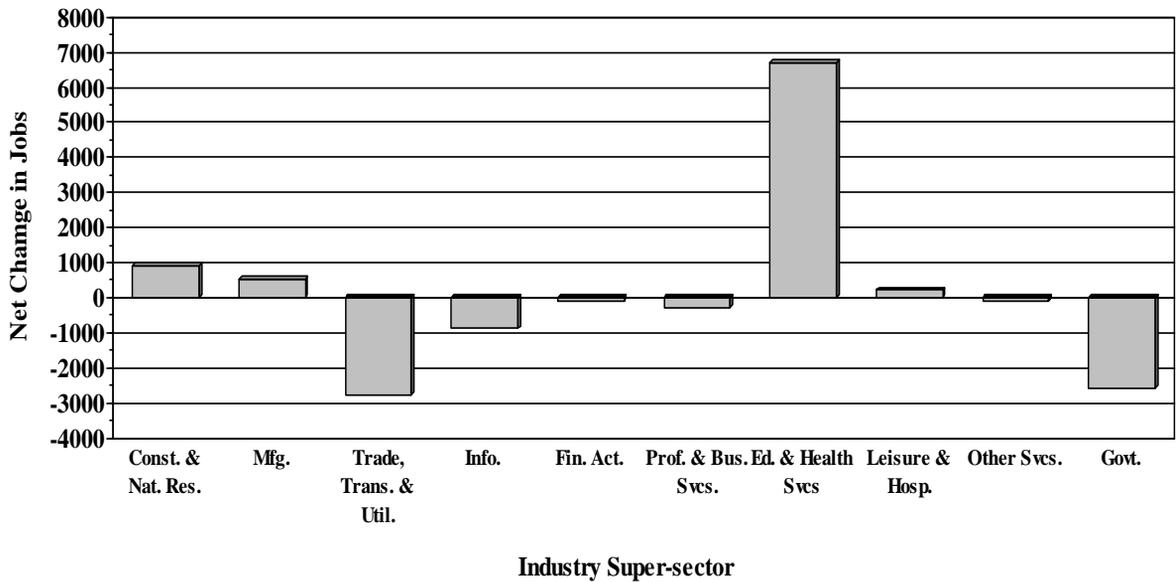
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ALBANY-SCHENECTADY-TROY MSA, August 2011

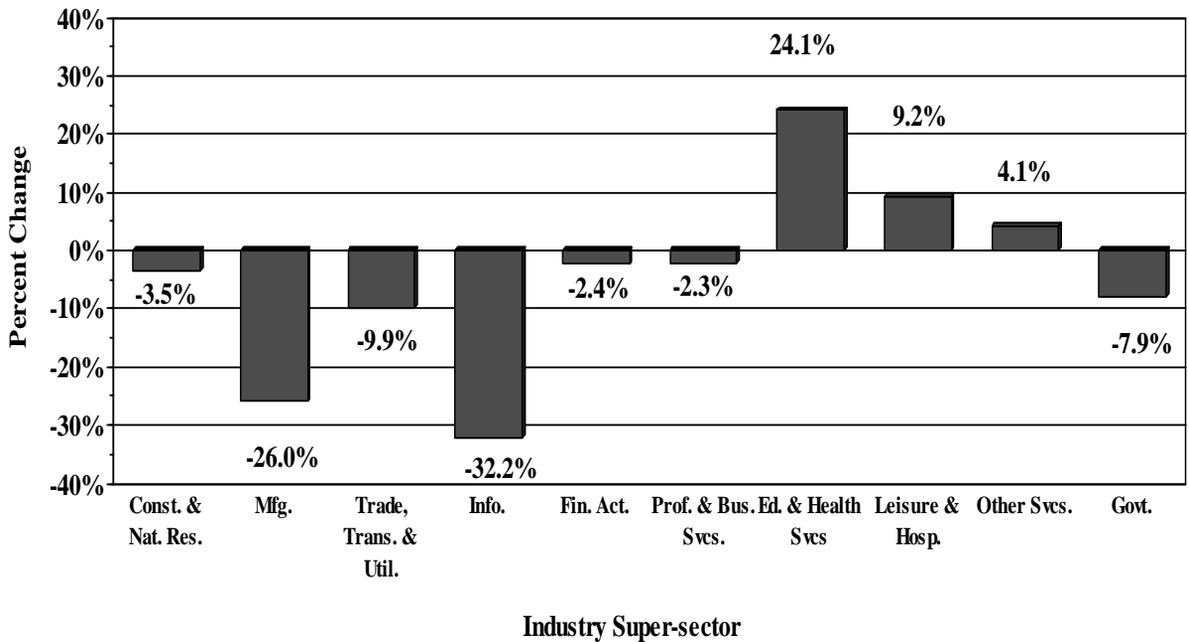
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**NET CHANGE IN JOB COUNTS BY SUPER-SECTOR**  
 ALBANY - SCHENECTADY - TROY MSA, August 2010 - August 2011



**PERCENT CHANGE IN JOB COUNTS BY SUPER-SECTOR**  
 ALBANY - SCHENECTADY - TROY MSA, August 2001 - August 2011



NUMBER OF NONFARM JOBS BY PLACE OF WORK  
NEW YORK STATE AND AREAS  
(IN THOUSANDS, NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)

AREA	AUG 2011	JUL 2011 (R)	AUG 2010 (R)	CHG TO AUG 2011 FROM:			
				JUL 2011		AUG 2010	
				NET	PCT	NET	PCT
NEW YORK STATE	8,623.0	8,671.6	8,521.1	-48.6	-0.6	101.9	1.2
METROPOLITAN AREAS							
ALBANY-SCHENECTADY-TROY	432.8	435.9	431.3	-3.1	-0.7	1.5	0.3
BINGHAMTON	108.3	108.2	107.3	0.1	0.1	1.0	0.9
BUFFALO-NIAGARA FALLS	542.0	542.2	534.9	-0.2	0.0	7.1	1.3
GLENS FALLS	56.8	56.4	58.0	0.4	0.7	-1.2	-2.1
ITHACA (TOMPKINS COUNTY)	62.7	62.0	60.3	0.7	1.1	2.4	4.0
KINGSTON (ULSTER COUNTY)	59.7	59.6	60.0	0.1	0.2	-0.3	-0.5
NASSAU-SUFFOLK	1,211.9	1,222.9	1,224.9	-11.0	-0.9	-13.0	-1.1
NEW YORK CITY	3,740.7	3,767.3	3,686.6	-26.6	-0.7	54.1	1.5
POUGHKEEPSIE-NEWBURGH-MIDDLETOWN	245.8	246.3	247.8	-0.5	-0.2	-2.0	-0.8
PUTNAM-ROCKLAND-WESTCHESTER	557.7	568.2	555.2	-10.5	-1.8	2.5	0.5
ROCHESTER	508.1	510.5	499.1	-2.4	-0.5	9.0	1.8
SYRACUSE	312.4	314.5	309.3	-2.1	-0.7	3.1	1.0
UTICA-ROME	132.3	132.3	131.5	0.0	0.0	0.8	0.6
COUNTIES OUTSIDE METROPOLITAN AREAS							
ALLEGANY	15.9	15.9	15.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
CATTARAUGUS	32.4	32.3	31.9	0.1	0.3	0.5	1.6
CAYUGA	26.5	26.9	26.7	-0.4	-1.5	-0.2	-0.7
CHAUTAUQUA	55.3	55.8	55.8	-0.5	-0.9	-0.5	-0.9
CHEMUNG	40.4	40.8	39.6	-0.4	-1.0	0.8	2.0
CHENANGO	17.3	17.3	17.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	1.8
CLINTON	34.2	34.1	34.0	0.1	0.3	0.2	0.6
COLUMBIA	19.7	19.7	20.3	0.0	0.0	-0.6	-3.0
CORTLAND	17.9	17.9	17.7	0.0	0.0	0.2	1.1
DELAWARE	16.7	16.9	16.9	-0.2	-1.2	-0.2	-1.2
ESSEX	15.8	16.2	15.8	-0.4	-2.5	0.0	0.0
FRANKLIN	19.4	19.8	19.4	-0.4	-2.0	0.0	0.0
FULTON	18.3	18.2	18.4	0.1	0.5	-0.1	-0.5
GENESEE	24.4	24.4	23.8	0.0	0.0	0.6	2.5
GREENE	15.4	15.1	15.3	0.3	2.0	0.1	0.7
HAMILTON	2.4	2.5	2.4	-0.1	-4.0	0.0	0.0
JEFFERSON	44.9	44.9	44.7	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.4
LEWIS	6.6	6.6	6.7	0.0	0.0	-0.1	-1.5
MONTGOMERY	18.5	18.5	18.8	0.0	0.0	-0.3	-1.6
OTSEGO	26.9	27.0	26.9	-0.1	-0.4	0.0	0.0
ST. LAWRENCE	38.6	38.6	38.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
SCHUYLER	5.5	5.4	5.2	0.1	1.9	0.3	5.8
SENECA	11.9	11.9	11.8	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.8
STEUBEN	37.5	37.4	37.7	0.1	0.3	-0.2	-0.5
SULLIVAN	28.1	27.7	28.3	0.4	1.4	-0.2	-0.7
WYOMING	12.8	12.9	13.6	-0.1	-0.8	-0.8	-5.9
YATES	7.0	7.1	7.3	-0.1	-1.4	-0.3	-4.1

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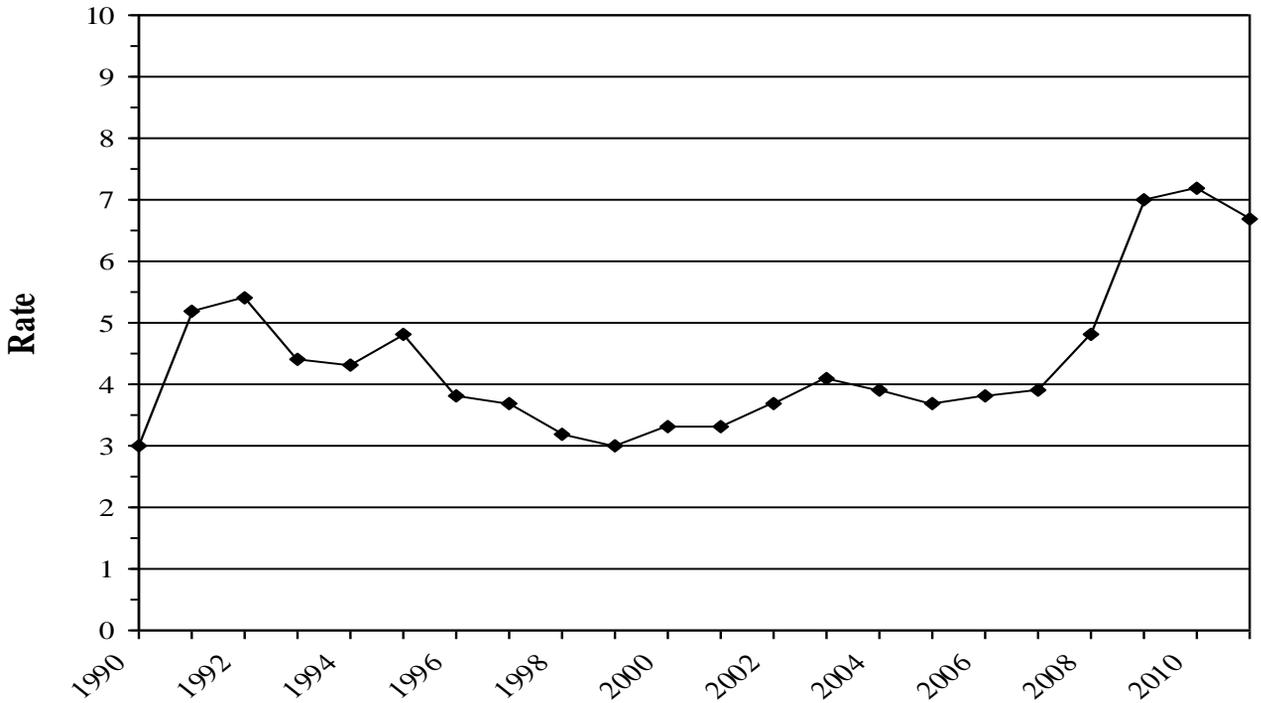
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**EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL ESTABLISHMENTS, BY PLACE OF WORK  
ALBANY-SCHENECTADY-TROY AREA  
(In thousands, not seasonally adjusted)**

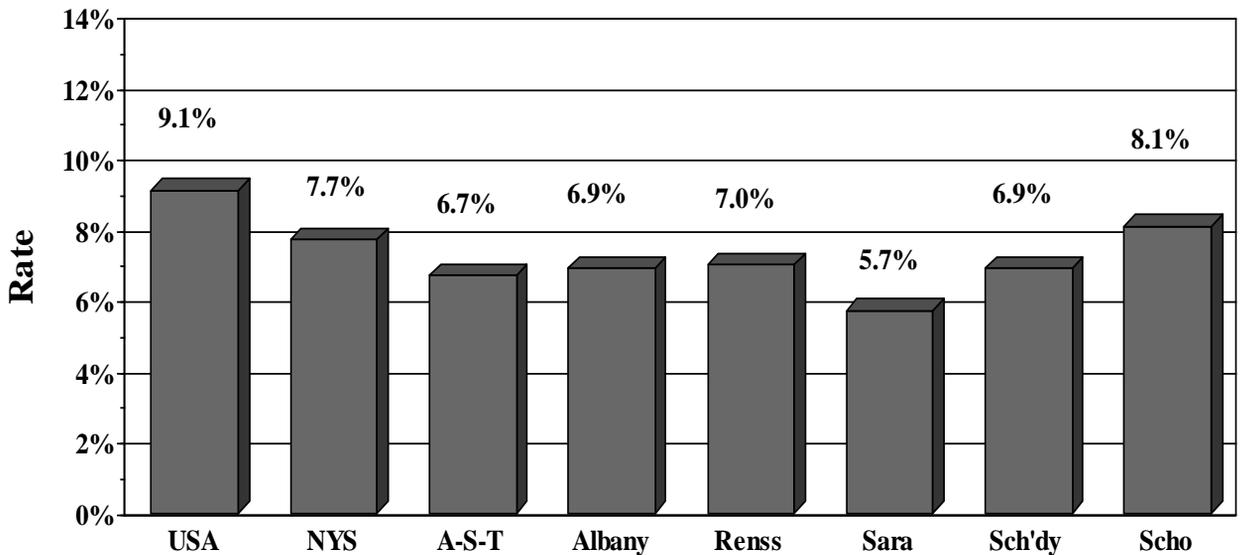
Industry	AUG 2011	JUL 2011	AUG 2010	Net Month	Pct Month	Net Year	Pct Year
Total Nonfarm	432.8	435.9	431.3	-3.1	-0.7	1.5	0.3
Total Private	336.6	338.6	332.5	-2.0	-0.6	4.1	1.2
Goods Producing	39.4	39.7	38.0	-0.3	-0.8	1.4	3.7
Natural Resources, Mining and Construction	19.2	19.3	18.3	-0.1	-0.5	0.9	4.9
Manufacturing	20.2	20.4	19.7	-0.2	-1.0	0.5	2.5
Service-Providing	393.4	396.2	393.3	-2.8	-0.7	0.1	0.0
Private Service-Providing	297.2	298.9	294.5	-1.7	-0.6	2.7	0.9
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	69.8	69.9	72.6	-0.1	-0.1	-2.8	-3.9
Wholesale Trade	13.0	13.0	12.9	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.8
Retail Trade	44.0	44.1	46.7	-0.1	-0.2	-2.7	-5.8
Food and Beverage Stores	10.1	10.1	10.3	0.0	0.0	-0.2	-1.9
General Merchandise Stores	8.2	8.2	8.4	0.0	0.0	-0.2	-2.4
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	12.8	12.8	13.0	0.0	0.0	-0.2	-1.5
Transportation and Warehousing	11.2	11.3	11.5	-0.1	-0.9	-0.3	-2.6
Information	8.2	9.0	9.1	-0.8	-8.9	-0.9	-9.9
Telecommunications	2.1	2.9	3.0	-0.8	-27.6	-0.9	-30.0
Financial Activities	24.4	24.4	24.5	0.0	0.0	-0.1	-0.4
Professional and Business Services	50.9	50.5	51.2	0.4	0.8	-0.3	-0.6
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	28.9	28.8	29.3	0.1	0.3	-0.4	-1.4
Management of Companies and Enterprises	6.4	6.3	6.4	0.1	1.6	0.0	0.0
Admin. & Supp. and Waste Manage. & Remed. Servs.	15.6	15.4	15.5	0.2	1.3	0.1	0.6
Education and Health Services	88.2	88.8	81.5	-0.6	-0.7	6.7	8.2
Health Care and Social Assistance	63.2	63.4	60.9	-0.2	-0.3	2.3	3.8
Ambulatory Health Care Services	17.2	17.2	17.1	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.6
Hospitals	18.3	18.4	17.5	-0.1	-0.5	0.8	4.6
Leisure and Hospitality	37.8	38.4	37.6	-0.6	-1.6	0.2	0.5
Accommodation and Food Services	31.3	31.2	30.3	0.1	0.3	1.0	3.3
Other Services	17.9	17.9	18.0	0.0	0.0	-0.1	-0.6
Government	96.2	97.3	98.8	-1.1	-1.1	-2.6	-2.6
Federal Government	6.8	6.9	7.2	-0.1	-1.4	-0.4	-5.6
Federal Government Hospitals	1.6	1.6	1.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
State Government	47.7	47.6	50.1	0.1	0.2	-2.4	-4.8
State Government Education	5.4	4.9	5.5	0.5	10.2	-0.1	-1.8
State Government Hospitals	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Local Government	41.7	42.8	41.5	-1.1	-2.6	0.2	0.5
Local Government Education	21.1	21.3	20.6	-0.2	-0.9	0.5	2.4

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**UNEMPLOYMENT RATE**  
**ALBANY-SCHENECTADY-TROY MSA,**  
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**RESIDENT CIVILIAN UNEMPLOYMENT RATE - August 2011**  
 United States, New York State & Albany-Schenectady-Troy MSA By County



EMPLOYED, UNEMPLOYED, AND RATE OF UNEMPLOYMENT  
BY PLACE OF RESIDENCE  
FOR NEW YORK STATE AND MAJOR LABOR AREAS, AUG 2011  
(Numbers in thousands, not seasonally adjusted)

AREA/COUNTY	EMPLOYED			UNEMPLOYED			UNEMP. RATE		
	AUG 2011	JUL 2011	AUG 2010	AUG 2011	JUL 2011	AUG 2010	AUG 2011	JUL 2011	AUG 2010
UNITED STATES	140335.0	140384.0	139919.0	14008	14428	14759	9.1	9.3	9.5
NEW YORK STATE	8885.1	8867.8	8919.4	744.4	766.8	810.5	7.7	8.0	8.3
NEW YORK CITY	3659.8	3639.5	3643.0	349.2	349.5	378.9	8.7	8.8	9.4
BRONX	478.5	475.9	476.4	65.5	66.2	70.2	12.0	12.2	12.8
KINGS	1027.8	1022.1	1023.1	109.1	109.1	117.2	9.6	9.6	10.3
NEW YORK	869.2	864.4	865.2	66.2	65.8	72.9	7.1	7.1	7.8
QUEENS	1054.1	1048.2	1049.2	87.5	87.5	95.7	7.7	7.7	8.4
RICHMOND	230.2	228.9	229.1	20.9	20.9	23.0	8.3	8.4	9.1
PUT-ROCK-WEST	647.5	653.7	650.9	44.8	46.8	49.6	6.5	6.7	7.1
PUTNAM	51.3	51.8	51.6	3.5	3.7	3.7	6.4	6.6	6.7
ROCKLAND	143.2	144.6	144.0	9.8	10.3	11.0	6.4	6.6	7.1
WESTCHESTER	453.0	457.3	455.4	31.6	32.8	34.9	6.5	6.7	7.1
NASSAU-SUFFOLK	1365.9	1369.7	1390.7	100.2	104.8	108.6	6.8	7.1	7.2
NASSAU	638.8	640.6	650.4	44.4	46.7	49.0	6.5	6.8	7.0
SUFFOLK	727.1	729.1	740.3	55.7	58.1	59.6	7.1	7.4	7.5
ALB-SCHEN-TROY	416.5	417.1	420.8	29.7	31.4	32.6	6.7	7.0	7.2
ALBANY	145.0	145.2	146.5	10.8	11.3	11.4	6.9	7.2	7.2
RENSSELAER	76.0	76.1	76.8	5.7	6.1	6.2	7.0	7.4	7.5
SARATOGA	111.9	112.0	113.0	6.7	7.2	7.6	5.7	6.1	6.3
SCHENECTADY	69.7	69.8	70.4	5.2	5.5	6.0	6.9	7.3	7.9
SCHOHARIE	13.9	13.9	14.0	1.2	1.3	1.3	8.1	8.7	8.6
BINGHAMTON	110.5	109.7	111.0	8.9	9.5	9.8	7.4	8.0	8.1
BROOME	87.0	86.4	87.5	7.1	7.6	7.8	7.5	8.1	8.2
TIOGA	23.4	23.3	23.6	1.8	1.8	2.0	7.1	7.3	7.7
BUFFALO-NIAGARA	537.9	535.4	538.4	42.1	44.7	46.3	7.3	7.7	7.9
ERIE	434.3	432.3	434.7	33.5	35.7	36.8	7.2	7.6	7.8
NIAGARA	103.6	103.1	103.7	8.6	9.0	9.4	7.7	8.0	8.3
ELMIRA (CHEMUNG)	38.0	38.1	37.8	2.9	3.1	3.3	7.1	7.6	8.0
GLENS FALLS	65.2	64.5	67.3	4.6	4.9	4.9	6.5	7.0	6.7
WARREN	34.4	34.0	35.5	2.4	2.5	2.6	6.4	6.8	6.7
WASHINGTON	30.8	30.5	31.8	2.2	2.4	2.3	6.6	7.3	6.8
ITHACA (TOMPKINS)	52.1	51.2	50.8	3.2	3.5	3.6	5.8	6.5	6.5
KINGSTON (ULSTER)	81.2	80.7	82.7	6.8	7.2	7.2	7.7	8.2	8.0
POUGH-NEWB-MDLT	297.2	297.0	302.4	23.4	24.9	25.8	7.3	7.7	7.9
DUTCHESS	132.4	132.4	134.8	10.1	10.7	11.1	7.1	7.5	7.6
ORANGE	164.7	164.6	167.7	13.3	14.2	14.7	7.5	8.0	8.1
ROCHESTER	492.8	493.2	491.4	37.5	39.6	41.2	7.1	7.4	7.7
LIVINGSTON	29.6	29.7	29.6	2.1	2.3	2.3	6.6	7.3	7.2
MONROE	348.2	348.5	347.3	27.2	28.5	29.5	7.2	7.6	7.8
ONTARIO	53.2	53.2	53.0	3.3	3.5	3.6	5.9	6.2	6.3
ORLEANS	17.7	17.7	17.6	1.6	1.7	1.9	8.4	8.7	9.7
WAYNE	44.0	44.1	43.9	3.3	3.6	4.0	7.0	7.5	8.3
SYRACUSE	299.9	300.8	301.2	23.9	25.4	26.4	7.4	7.8	8.0
MADISON	32.8	32.9	33.0	2.5	2.7	2.7	7.1	7.5	7.5
ONONDAGA	213.5	214.2	214.4	16.4	17.3	17.9	7.1	7.5	7.7
OSWEGO	53.6	53.7	53.8	5.0	5.5	5.8	8.5	9.2	9.7
UTICA-ROME	132.2	131.5	133.1	10.1	10.6	10.3	7.1	7.5	7.2
HERKIMER	28.9	28.8	29.1	2.1	2.2	2.2	6.6	7.2	7.0
ONEIDA	103.2	102.7	104.0	8.1	8.4	8.1	7.3	7.6	7.3

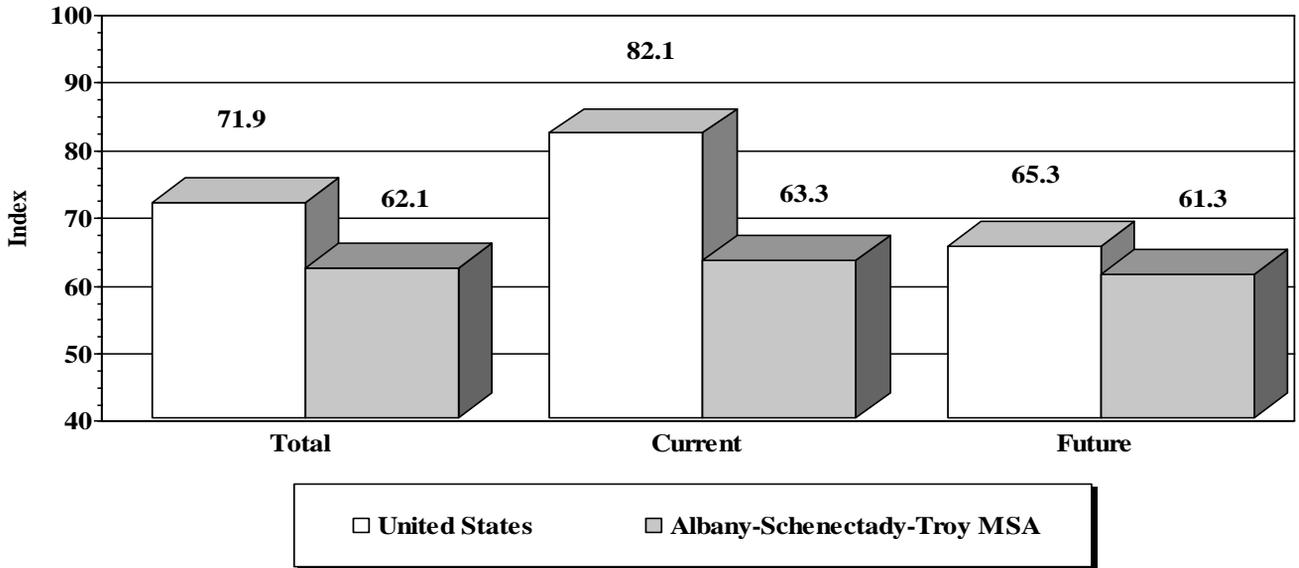
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ALLEGANY	20.4	20.3	20.7	1.9	2.0	2.2	8.4	9.2	9.5
CATTARAUGUS	37.1	36.8	37.2	3.1	3.3	3.5	7.8	8.3	8.5
CAYUGA	38.3	38.5	38.9	2.8	3.0	3.1	6.9	7.2	7.4
CHAUTAUQUA	60.6	60.7	61.9	4.5	4.8	5.2	6.9	7.3	7.8
CHENANGO	22.8	22.7	22.8	1.9	2.0	2.0	7.6	8.1	8.1
CLINTON	35.3	35.1	35.6	3.4	3.7	3.7	8.8	9.6	9.5
COLUMBIA	28.3	28.2	29.2	2.1	2.2	2.2	6.8	7.2	7.1
CORTLAND	21.4	21.3	21.4	1.8	1.9	2.0	7.7	8.2	8.5
DELAWARE	20.3	20.5	20.8	1.6	1.8	1.8	7.5	7.9	8.1
ESSEX	17.6	17.9	17.9	1.3	1.4	1.4	6.9	7.2	7.2
FRANKLIN	20.9	21.1	21.1	1.8	1.9	1.9	7.8	8.2	8.1
FULTON	24.4	24.3	24.9	2.3	2.5	2.5	8.8	9.3	9.3
GENESEE	31.8	31.6	31.6	2.0	2.1	2.2	6.0	6.4	6.4
GREENE	22.7	22.2	22.9	1.9	2.0	2.0	7.7	8.1	7.9
HAMILTON	3.3	3.3	3.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	4.8	4.9	5.4
JEFFERSON	46.9	46.7	47.3	4.2	4.5	4.3	8.2	8.7	8.3
LEWIS	11.7	11.5	11.9	1.0	1.0	0.9	7.7	8.3	7.4
MONTGOMERY	21.6	21.5	22.1	2.1	2.2	2.2	8.9	9.2	9.2
OTSEGO	29.8	29.7	30.1	2.2	2.4	2.3	7.0	7.5	7.2
ST. LAWRENCE	42.5	42.2	43.1	4.6	5.0	5.0	9.7	10.5	10.3
SCHUYLER	9.7	9.5	9.5	0.7	0.7	0.7	6.6	7.2	7.1
SENECA	16.2	16.1	16.2	1.1	1.2	1.3	6.5	6.9	7.2
STEUBEN	40.3	40.1	41.0	3.6	3.9	4.1	8.3	8.8	9.1
SULLIVAN	34.0	33.4	34.6	2.8	2.9	2.9	7.5	8.1	7.8
WYOMING	18.6	18.5	19.5	1.4	1.5	1.6	7.0	7.4	7.7
YATES	12.0	12.0	12.4	0.8	0.8	0.8	6.2	6.6	6.0

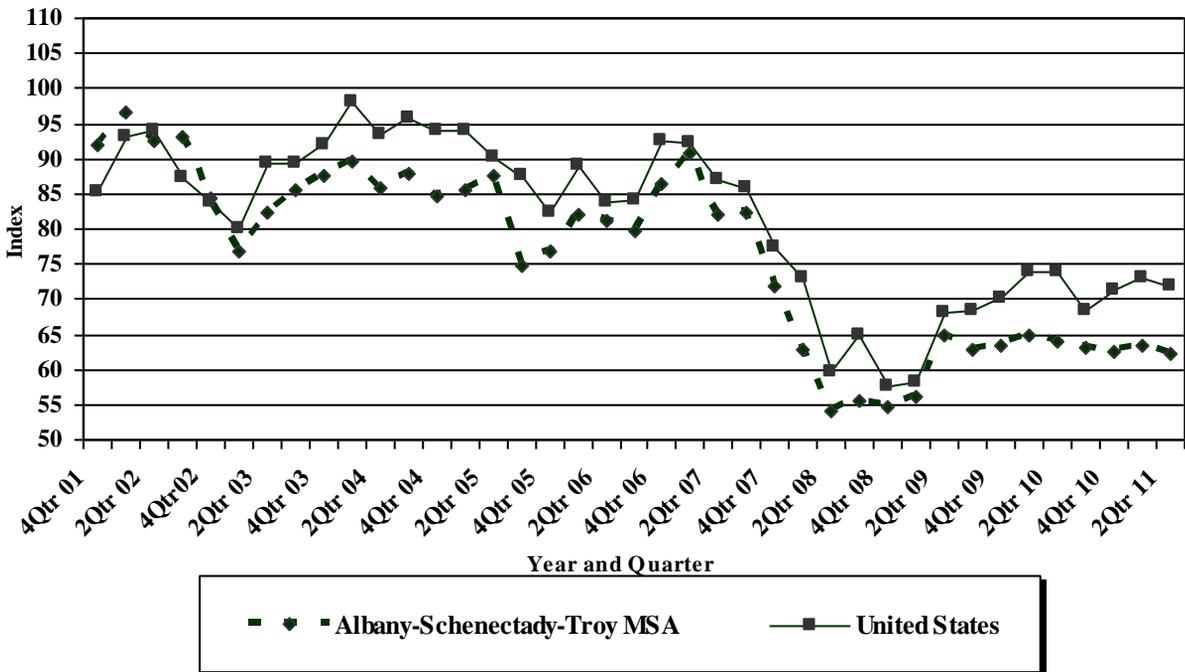
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## FACT SHEET

This fact sheet conveys important technical information that will contribute to a better understanding of resident labor force, including unemployment rates, and job data included in this and future press releases.

### State unemployment rates based on regression model

Unemployment rates for New York State and all other states (as well as New York City and the City of Los Angeles) are estimated using time-series regression models developed by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. The model reduces month-to-month variation in labor force data by reducing variation caused by sampling errors and other statistical noise (irregularities).

### Benchmarking of estimates

At the end of each year, labor force data are revised to reflect updated input data including new Census population controls, revised establishment jobs data, and revised state-level data from the Current Population Survey (CPS). As part of this procedure, all state figures are reviewed, revised as necessary, and then re-estimated. This process is commonly referred to as "benchmarking."

### Changes in methodology

With the release of January 2005 data, a new time-series regression model that utilizes "real-time" benchmarking is in effect. The redesigned model should reduce end-of-year revisions as major economic events will be reflected in a more timely manner. The new model also changes how estimates of new entrants or re-entrants into the labor force are made for sub-state areas, which may result in higher or lower unemployment rates in some sub-state areas. Also effective with the release of January 2005 data are updated metro area definitions. Please see <http://www.labor.state.ny.us/pdf/enys1104.pdf> for additional details.

### Unemployed and UI Beneficiaries

The estimate of the number of unemployed includes all persons who had no employment during the reference week (the week including the 12th of the month), were available for work, except for temporary illness, and had made specific efforts to find employment sometime during the 4-week period ending with the reference week. Unemployment insurance (UI) beneficiaries include those who apply for and qualify for UI benefits. Consequently, the estimate of the number of unemployed and the number of UI beneficiaries do not necessarily move in tandem. Persons collecting UI benefits generally make up from 35 to 50 percent of the unemployed.

### Job data

Monthly job data are obtained from the Current Employment Statistics survey of business establishments, which samples 18,000 establishments in New York State. The survey excludes self-employed workers, agricultural workers, unpaid family workers and domestic workers employed by private households. The data represent a count of jobs by place of work. Estimates for each month are revised the following month, as well as at the end of each year, as more complete data become available.

### Press release availability

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