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This fact sheet presents recent **employment** and **unemployment** figures for the Rochester Metropolitan Statistical Area, New York, and the United States. In addition, pay indexes for the larger metropolitan area that includes Rochester are shown. The **Consumer Price Index (CPI)** measures price changes or inflation for particular commodities and services at the retail level. The **Producer Price Index (PPI)** measures price changes or inflation for particular commodities and services at the wholesale level and is widely used by business firms as an escalator in long-term contracts. The **Employment Cost Index (ECI)** measures price changes or inflation of labor costs which include wages and salaries and employer costs for employee benefits. The **Occupational Employment Statistics (OES)** program estimates occupational employment and wages for 22 major occupational groups and 801 detailed occupations in every state and metropolitan area. Data are not seasonally adjusted.

#### Consumer Price Indexes (1982-84 = 100)

Index and area	Aug. 2011	Aug. 2012	Percent change
All Urban Consumers			
U.S. City Average	226.545	230.379	1.7
Northeast	243.033	246.252	1.3
Urban Wage Earners & Clerical Workers			
U.S. City Average	223.326	227.056	1.7
Northeast	241.431	244.813	1.4

#### Producer Price Indexes, United States (1982 = 100)

Index	Aug. 2011	Aug. 2012(p)	Percent change
Finished goods	191.7	195.5	2.0
All commodities	203.2	202.6	-0.3
Industrial commodities	203.7	202.0	-0.8

#### Unemployment levels, age 16 years and over

(in thousands)

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Area	Aug. 2011	Aug. 2012(p)	Net change	Percent change
United States	14,008	12,696	-1,312.0	-9.4
New York	774.9	845.4	70.5	9.1
Rochester	39.0	44.1	5.1	12.9

# Unemployment rates, United States, New York, and Rochester Metropolitan Statistical Area, August 2011 and 2012 (not seasonally adjusted) Percent 10 ■2011 **2012** 8 6 4 2 0 **United States New York** Rochester

#### Employment Cost Indexes, private industry (December 2005 = 100)

Index and area	June 2011	June 2012	Percent change
Total Compensation			
United States	114.3	116.4	1.8
Northeast	115.3	117.1	1.6
Wages and Salaries			
United States	113.8	115.9	1.8
Northeast	114.6	116.4	1.6

Note: Dash indicates data not available.

#### Median annual wages in Rochester

Occupational group	May 2011
All occupations	\$34,870
Office and administrative support	30,960
Sales and related	23,460
Education, training, and library	46,890
Food preparation and serving related	18,970
Production	31,870
Healthcare practitioners and technical	53,960
Transportation and material moving	27,680
Business and financial operations	58,360
Management	94,170

Note: All occupations include groups not shown separately.

### Nonfarm payroll employment

(in thousands)

Area	Aug. 2011	Aug. 2012(p)	Net change	Percent change
United States	131,278.0	133,092.0	1,814.0	1.4
New York	8,685.2	8,802.5	117.3	1.4
Rochester	503.4	511.7	8.3	1.6

## Payroll employment in Rochester by major industry sector

(in thousands)

Industry	Aug. 2011	Aug. 2012(p)	Net change
Total nonfarm	503.4	511.7	8.3
Mining, logging, and construction	19.2	19.6	0.4
Manufacturing	61.3	61.2	-0.1
Trade, transportation and utilities	83.3	85.0	1.7
Information	9.1	8.8	-0.3
Financial activities	21.7	22.0	0.3
Professional and business services	63.5	68.2	4.7
Education and health services	103.4	105.5	2.1
Leisure and hospitality	47.6	46.8	-0.8
Other services	20.3	20.7	0.4
Government	73.4	73.3	-0.1

p = preliminary

Note: Total includes industries not shown separately.

The Rochester Metropolitan Statistical Area comprises Livingston, Monroe, Ontario, Orleans, and Wayne Counties. The Northeast Census Region comprises Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island and Vermont.