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This fact sheet presents recent **employment and unemployment** figures for the Trenton-Ewing Metropolitan Statistical Area, New Jersey, and the United States. In addition, pay indexes for the larger metropolitan area that includes Trenton-Ewing 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
New York-Northern N.JLong Island	250.058	253.472	1.4
Urban Wage Earners & Clerical Workers			
U.S. City Average	223.326	227.056	1.7
Northeast	241.431	244.813	1.4
New York-Northern N.JLong Island	246.025	249.734	1.5

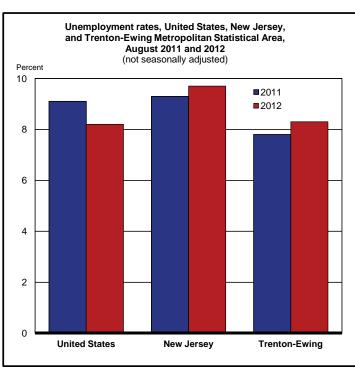
Producer Price Indexes. United States (1982 = 100)

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)

Area	Aug. 2011	Aug. 2012(p)	Net change	Percent change
United States	14,008	12,696	-1,312.0	-9.4
New Jersey	424.0	444.3	20.3	4.8
Trenton-Ewing	16.4	17.1	0.8	4.8



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

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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
New York-Newark-Bridgeport	-	-	1.7
Wages and Salaries			
United States	113.8	115.9	1.8
Northeast	114.6	116.4	1.6
New York-Newark-Bridgeport	-	-	1.7

Note: Dash indicates data not available.

Median annual wages in Trenton-Ewing

Occupational group	May 2011
All occupations	\$48,050
Office and administrative support	38,440
Business and financial operations	73,140
Education, training, and library	53,400
Sales and related	28,780
Management	115,490
Food preparation and serving related	21,710
Healthcare practitioners and technical	71,190
Computer and mathematical	83,070
Transportation and material moving	29,940

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 Jersey	3,863.9	3,912.2	48.3	1.3
Trenton-Ewing	240.2	238.9	-1.3	-0.5

Payroll employment in Trenton-Ewing by major industry sector (in thousands)

Industry	Aug. 2011	Aug. 2012(p)	Net change
Total nonfarm	240.2	238.9	-1.3
Mining, logging, and construction	5.2	5.1	-0.1
Manufacturing	8.8	8.5	-0.3
Trade, transportation and utilities	31.3	31.3	0.0
Information	4.5	5.0	0.5
Financial activities	17.4	17.0	-0.4
Professional and business services	37.5	36.5	-1.0
Education and health services	46.0	47.3	1.3
Leisure and hospitality	13.5	13.5	0.0
Other services	9.1	9.1	0.0
Government	66.9	65.6	-1.3

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Note: Total includes industries not shown separately.

The Trenton-Ewing Metropolitan Statistical Area consists of Mercer County, New Jersey. The Northeast Census Region comprises Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island and Vermont.