

**Table 1. Labor force status for the U.S. and New England region and states, seasonally adjusted**

(Numbers in thousands)

Area	Aug. 2003	Sept. 2003	Oct. 2003	Nov. 2003	Dec. 2003	Jan. 2004	Feb. 2004	March 2004	April 2004	May 2004	June 2004	July 2004	Aug. 2004P
<b>Connecticut</b>													
Employed	1,702.3	1,701.0	1,700.8	1,700.7	1,699.0	1,709.8	1,710.4	1,699.1	1,700.7	1,714.2	1,710.7	1,711.6	1,705.4
Unemployed	101.3	99.4	98.5	96.8	98.4	84.2	85.6	87.6	81.3	83.5	82.0	82.3	82.8
Unemployment rate	5.6	5.5	5.5	5.4	5.5	4.7	4.8	4.9	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.6
<b>Maine</b>													
Employed	659.9	660.4	659.9	662.0	663.2	665.4	663.7	659.8	666.0	672.1	671.3	668.3	669.7
Unemployed	35.7	36.1	36.2	35.9	36.2	33.7	34.4	33.9	29.5	28.7	28.6	29.2	31.9
Unemployment rate	5.1	5.2	5.2	5.1	5.2	4.8	4.9	4.9	4.2	4.1	4.1	4.2	4.5
<b>Massachusetts</b>													
Employed	3,206.5	3,203.3	3,203.3	3,197.8	3,193.1	3,231.2	3,231.2	3,228.0	3,230.7	3,229.8	3,229.8	3,234.3	3,229.7
Unemployed	201.1	199.6	196.2	192.9	200.3	190.6	182.8	174.4	162.6	178.7	179.4	180.9	183.9
Unemployment rate	5.9	5.9	5.8	5.7	5.9	5.6	5.4	5.1	4.8	5.2	5.3	5.3	5.4
<b>New Hampshire</b>													
Employed	692.1	691.8	694.5	694.9	695.3	695.7	695.9	696.4	697.1	697.7	700.6	702.9	702.8
Unemployed	31.0	30.9	30.5	30.3	30.0	29.6	30.1	29.0	28.9	29.1	28.4	28.8	26.7
Unemployment rate	4.3	4.3	4.2	4.2	4.1	4.1	4.1	4.0	4.0	4.0	3.9	3.9	3.7
<b>Rhode Island</b>													
Employed	544.7	545.5	545.7	544.3	543.6	539.1	534.0	534.3	537.4	536.9	535.9	539.7	537.8
Unemployed	29.6	28.0	28.5	29.1	29.3	29.6	29.2	31.8	32.5	31.9	33.3	33.0	31.1
Unemployment rate	5.2	4.9	5.0	5.1	5.1	5.2	5.2	5.6	5.7	5.6	5.8	5.8	5.5
<b>Vermont</b>													
Employed	334.6	334.4	334.6	334.6	334.4	339.9	340.7	341.1	340.3	340.1	341.3	342.3	342.5
Unemployed	16.3	17.6	16.5	16.3	16.5	13.5	13.0	12.7	12.5	12.2	12.2	11.8	11.9
Unemployment rate	4.6	5.0	4.7	4.6	4.7	3.8	3.7	3.6	3.5	3.5	3.4	3.3	3.4
<b>New England</b>													
Employed	7,140.1	7,136.5	7,138.7	7,134.4	7,128.6	7,181.1	7,175.9	7,158.7	7,172.1	7,190.9	7,189.6	7,199.1	7,187.9
Unemployed	414.9	411.6	406.3	401.2	410.7	381.2	375.1	369.5	347.4	364.2	363.9	366.0	368.2
Unemployment rate	5.5	5.5	5.4	5.3	5.4	5.0	5.0	4.9	4.6	4.8	4.8	4.8	4.9
<b>United States 1/</b>													
Employed	137,693	137,644	138,095	138,533	138,479	138,566	138,301	138,298	138,576	138,772	139,031	139,660	139,681
Unemployed	8,929	8,966	8,797	8,653	8,398	8,297	8,170	8,352	8,164	8,203	8,248	8,196	8,022
Unemployment rate	6.1	6.1	6.0	5.9	5.7	5.6	5.6	5.7	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.5	5.4

P= preliminary.

1/ Data for the U.S. are obtained directly from the national Current Population Survey and are not preliminary.

NOTE: Data refer to place of residence. All 2003 estimates reflect benchmarking.

**Table 2. Employees on New England nonfarm payrolls by industry, seasonally adjusted**

(Numbers in thousands)

Industry	August 2003	April 2004	May 2004	June 2004	July 2004	August 2004p	Chg. Jul 2004 to Aug 2004	Chg Aug 2003 to Aug 2004
<b>Total</b>	6829.7	6820.6	6843.3	6840.7	6849.2	6853.0	3.8	23.3
<b>Goods-producing industries 1/</b>	1063.4	1057.3	1062.1	1061.9	1066.1	1062.8	-3.3	-0.6
Construction	296.9	299.5	302.3	301.3	301.7	301.5	-0.2	4.6
Manufacturing	759.0	751.4	753.2	753.6	757.0	753.8	-3.2	-5.2
<b>Service-providing industries</b>	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/
Trade, transportation and utilities	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/
Information	170.3	166.3	166.4	167.1	167.7	166.9	-0.8	-3.4
Financial activities	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/
Professional and business services	807.2	802.5	802.4	802.5	803.1	802.5	-0.6	-4.7
Education and health services	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/
Leisure and hospitality	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/
Other services	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/
Government	975.9	969.2	970.0	970.4	968.6	973.0	4.4	-2.9

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**Table 3. Employees on nonfarm payrolls in the New England states, seasonally adjusted**

(Numbers in thousands)

Industry	August 2003	June 2004	July 2004	August 2004p	August 2003	June 2004	July 2004	August 2004p
<b>Connecticut</b>								
<b>Total</b>	1640.2	1642.4	1638.1	1642.7	607.0	610.1	611.4	614.9
<b>Goods-producing industries 1/</b>	260.0	257.4	259.0	258.9	96.5	94.7	94.5	95.6
Construction	61.8	61.8	62.4	62.6	30.6	31.4	31.5	32.0
Manufacturing	197.5	194.8	195.8	195.5	63.2	61.1	60.5	61.0
<b>Service-providing industries</b>	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/
Trade, transportation and utilities	2/	2/	2/	2/	123.6	124.4	124.3	125.8
Information	39.4	39.5	39.6	39.5	2/	2/	2/	2/
Financial activities	143.6	143.5	143.2	143.6	2/	2/	2/	2/
Professional and business services	195.2	194.0	193.8	194.2	50.7	50.8	50.9	51.4
Education and health services	2/	2/	2/	2/	107.2	108.5	109.1	108.7
Leisure and hospitality	2/	2/	2/	2/	58.5	58.8	59.2	59.4
Other services	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/
Government	246.8	244.7	242.4	245.5	103.6	104.3	104.5	105.2
<b>Massachusetts</b>								
<b>Total 3/</b>	3178.7	3171.4	3182.9	3178.6	619.6	626.6	626.6	626.1
<b>Goods-producing industries 1/</b>	462.7	465.3	467.5	464.5	110.8	109.7	110.1	109.1
Construction	138.0	140.0	139.5	138.4	29.8	30.4	30.5	30.3
Manufacturing	322.8	323.6	326.2	324.3	80.0	78.3	78.6	77.8
<b>Service-providing industries</b>	2717.8	2706.6	2714.0	2713.7	2/	2/	2/	2/
Trade, transportation and utilities	570.7	566.3	567.5	567.3	139.6	142.3	141.2	141.7
Information	90.4	87.6	87.9	87.4	2/	2/	2/	2/
Financial activities	223.1	221.6	221.7	222.3	2/	2/	2/	2/
Professional and business services	435.6	433.0	433.6	432.8	2/	2/	2/	2/
Education and health services	576.1	575.9	579.8	580.1	2/	2/	2/	2/
Leisure and hospitality	287.3	291.8	292.7	292.7	63.4	65.9	65.7	65.9
Other services	117.1	118.1	117.0	117.5	2/	2/	2/	2/
Government	417.5	412.3	413.8	413.6	89.5	90.0	89.7	90.4
<b>Rhode Island</b>								
<b>Total</b>	484.8	488.7	490.3	489.3	299.4	301.5	299.9	301.4
<b>Goods-producing industries 1/</b>	79.6	80.8	81.1	80.7	53.8	54.0	53.9	54.0
Construction	21.2	22.1	22.2	22.5	15.5	15.6	15.6	15.7
Manufacturing	58.2	58.5	58.7	58.0	37.3	37.3	37.2	37.2
<b>Service-providing industries</b>	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/
Trade, transportation and utilities	80.8	82.0	81.6	81.6	2/	2/	2/	2/
Information	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/
Financial activities	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/
Professional and business services	50.1	49.8	49.5	48.7	20.4	20.6	20.7	20.7
Education and health services	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/
Leisure and hospitality	49.6	50.3	51.3	51.1	2/	2/	2/	2/
Other services	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/
Government	66.6	66.8	66.5	66.4	51.9	52.3	51.7	51.9
<b>Vermont</b>								

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1/ Includes Natural resources and mining.

2/ This series is not published seasonally adjusted because the seasonal component, which is small relative to the trend-cycle and irregular components, cannot be separated with sufficient precision.

3/ This series is independently seasonally adjusted and, therefore, in Massachusetts may not equal the sum of lower-level series.