



**Data Highlights from the  
New York State Department of Labor's  
Jobs and Labor Force Press Release:  
November 2020**

**The latest monthly jobs and labor force press release is available here:**  
<https://www.labor.ny.gov/stats/pressreleases/pruistat.pdf>

**Seasonally Adjusted Current Employment by Industry Jobs Data**

*(Note: When comparing different months, seasonally adjusted data provide the most valid comparison; for example, October 2020 versus November 2020.)*

- In November 2020, the number of private sector jobs in New York State increased by 36,300, or 0.5%, to 7,385,800. Over the same period, the number of nonfarm jobs in the state (private plus public sectors) increased by 29,500, or 0.3%, to 8,834,600.
- Industry sectors adding the most jobs in November 2020 included: professional and business services (+18,500), educational and health services (+11,100), trade, transportation and utilities (+5,400), leisure and hospitality (+2,900) and information (+2,200).
- Industry sectors with the most job losses in November 2020 were government (-6,800) and manufacturing (-2,900).

**Not Seasonally Adjusted Current Employment by Industry Jobs Data**

*(Note: Not seasonally adjusted data are valuable in year-to-year comparisons of the same month; for example, November 2019 versus November 2020.)*

- From November 2019 to November 2020, the number of private sector jobs in New York State decreased by 937,700, or 11.2%. Nationally, the number of private sector jobs decreased over the past year by 6.1%.
- All 15 metro areas in New York State lost private sector jobs in November 2019-November 2020. The following areas lost at least 10% of their private sector jobs over the past year: Watertown-Fort Drum (-13.9%), New York City (-13.2%), Syracuse (-11.5%) and Albany-Schenectady-Troy (-10.3%).

**% Change in Private Sector Jobs, by Area,  
12-Month Period Ending November 2020 (not seasonally adjusted)**

| <b>Area</b>                       | <b>Over-the-Year % Change,<br/>Private Sector Jobs</b> |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| United States                     | <b>-6.1%</b>   |
| New York State                    | <b>-11.2%</b>  |
| New York City                     | <b>-13.2%</b>  |
| Metro Areas outside New York City | <b>-9.1%</b>   |
| Counties outside Metro Areas      | <b>-8.6%</b>   |

**Seasonally Adjusted Labor Force Data**

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- In November 2020, New York State’s unemployment rate decreased from 9.2% to 8.4%. The comparable rate for the U.S. was 6.7% in November 2020.
- In addition, the number of unemployed New Yorkers decreased from 835,600 in October to 771,200 in November 2020. The statewide civilian labor force increased by 81,800 to 9,140,700 in November 2020.
- New York City’s unemployment rate decreased from 13.0% in October to 12.1% in November 2020.
- The unemployment rate in the balance of state region (NYS-NYC) decreased from 6.5% in October to 5.7% in November 2020.

For additional regional labor market information prepared by the New York State Department of Labor’s Division of Research and Statistics, visit: [www.labor.ny.gov/stats/regmap.shtm](http://www.labor.ny.gov/stats/regmap.shtm).

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