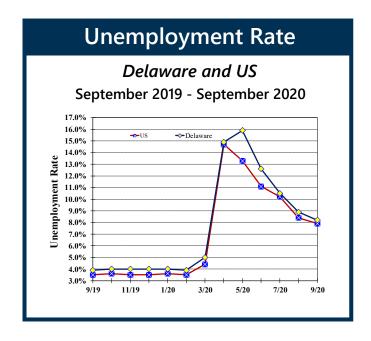


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Delaware Civilian Labor Force

Delaware Residents

	Sept. 2020 Aug. 2020		Sept. 2019
Civilian Labor Force	495,300	500,900	488,700
Employed	454,900	456,200	469,400
Unemployed	40,400	44,700	19,300
Unemployment Rate %	8.2	8.9	3.9
US Unemployment Rate %	7.9	8.4	3.5

Source: Delaware Dept. of Labor in cooperation with the US Dept. of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Area Unemployment Rates (%)

	Sept. 2020	Aug. 2020	Sept. 2019
New Castle County	8.5	9.5	4.0
Wilmington	14.0	15.0	5.7
Newark	6.2	6.9	4.3
Kent County	8.6	9.8	4.3
Dover	12.1	13.4	5.7
Sussex County	6.8	7.6	3.5

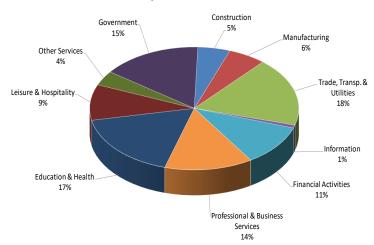
Note: Area rates are not seasonally adjusted.

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Percent Distribution of Delaware Nonfarm Employment

September 2020



Hours & Earnings

All Employee (Total Private)

	Sept. 2020	Aug. 2020	Sept. 2019
Weekly Earnings	\$923.72	\$945.62	\$923.33
Weekly Hours	32.4	32.8	33.6
Hourly Earnings	\$28.51	\$28.83	\$27.48

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Delaware Labor Force Trends

Delaware's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate in September 2020 was 8.2%, down from 8.9% in August 2020. There were 40,400 unemployed Delawareans in September 2020 compared to 19,300 in September 2019. The US unemployment rate was 7.9% in September 2020, down from 8.4% in August 2020. In September 2019, the US unemployment rate was 3.5%, while Delaware's rate was 3.9%.

In September 2020, seasonally adjusted nonfarm employment was 428,800 up from 426,700 in August 2020. Since September 2019, Delaware's total nonfarm jobs have decreased by a net loss of 37,500, a decline of 8.0%. Nationally, jobs during that period declined 6.4%.

Delaware Nonfarm Employment

Jobs at Delaware Locations Seasonally Adjusted (in 000s)

	Sept.	Aug.	Over the	Over the Year
INDUSTRY GROUP	2020	2020	Change	Change†
TOTAL NONAG. EMP.	428.8	426.7	2.1	-37.5
CONSTRUCTION	21.4	21.3	0.1	-1.5
MANUFACTURING	25.0	25.0	0.0	-2.2
Durable Goods	8.7	8.7	0.0	-1.1
Nondurable Goods	16.3	16.3	0.0	-1.1
TRADE, TRANSP., & UTIL.	77.3	76.6	0.7	-3.0
Wholesale Trade	10.0	9.9	0.1	-1.0
Retail Trade	51.9	50.2	1.7	0.0
Transp. & Utilities	15.4	16.5	-1.1	-2.0
INFORMATION *	3.4	3.4	0.0	-0.5
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	46.0	46.2	-0.2	-1.5
PROF. & BUS. SERVICES	58.4	58.4	0.0	-5.7
EDUCATION & HEALTH	74.3	74.3	0.0	-6.8
LEISURE & HOSPITALITY	40.3	39.2	1.1	-13.0
OTHER SERVICES	16.5	16.2	0.3	-2.2
GOVERNMENT	66.2	66.1	0.1	-1.1
Federal Government	6.6	6.6	0.0	0.8
State Government	32.0	32.3	-0.3	-1.4
Local Government	27.6	27.2	0.4	-0.5

^{*} Industries are not seasonally adjusted.

Details may not add up due to rounding and seasonal adjustment.

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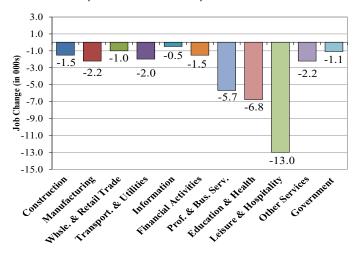
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Delaware Over-the-Year Job Change

September 2019—September 2020



Consumer Price Index

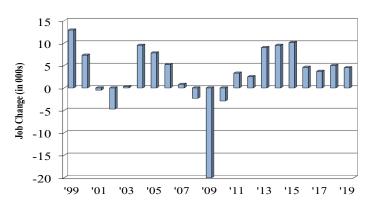
All Urban Consumers

	Percent Change to Sept. 2020 from:		
	Sept. 2019	July 2020	Aug. 2020
US City Average	1.4	0.5	0.1
PhilaCamden-Wilm.*	NA	NA	NA

^{*} Data are published on a bi-monthly basis.

Delaware Annual Net Job Change

Annual Average 1999-2019



[†] Annual changes are not seasonally adjusted.