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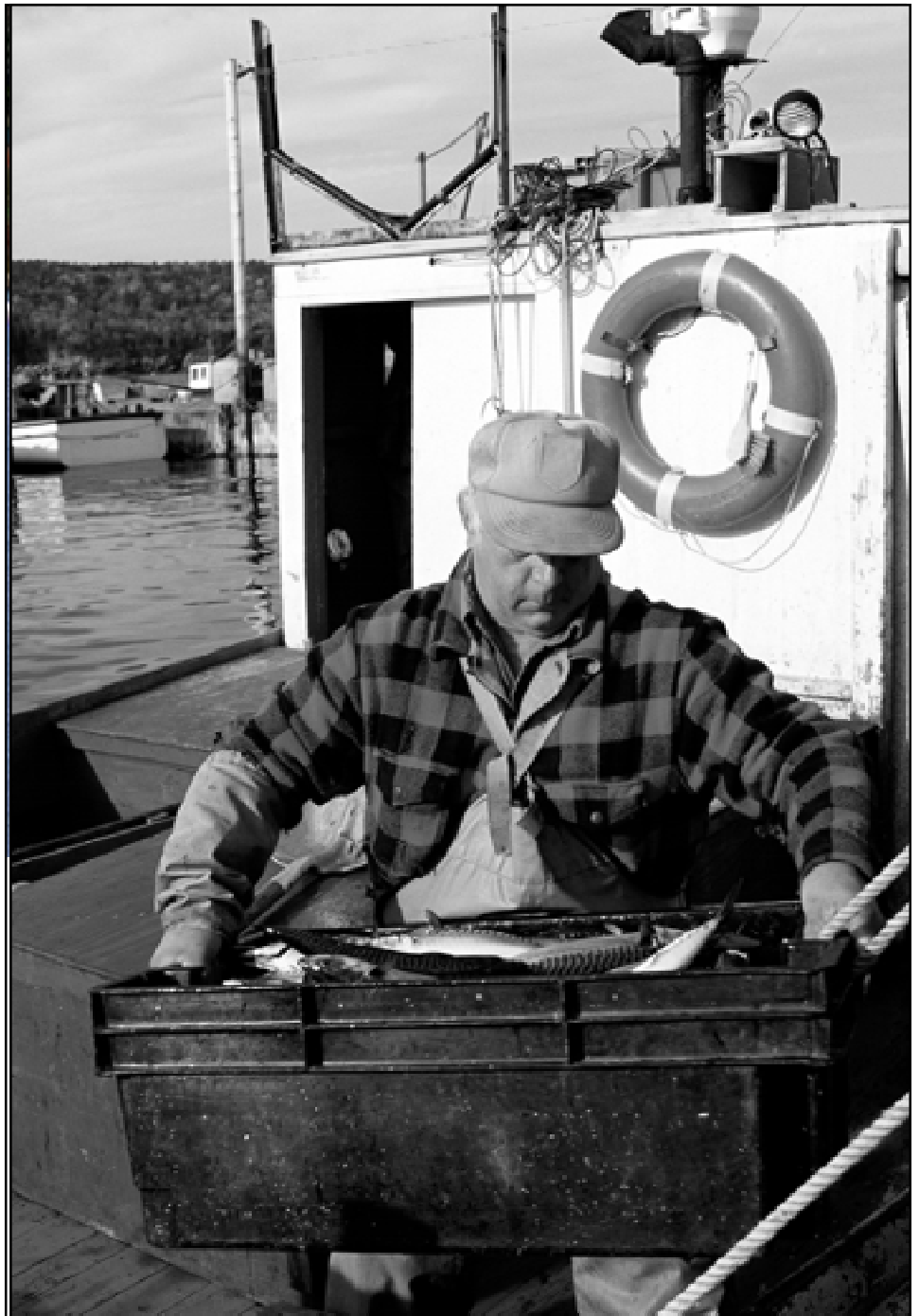
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Fisherman in Maine.
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Summary of Latest Data in This Issue

| | New England | | | United States | | |
|---|------------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|
| | Percent Change at Annual Rate from | | | Percent Change at Annual Rate from | | |
| | Current Period | Prior Period | Year Earlier Period | Current Period | Prior Period | Year Earlier Period |
| Labor Market Conditions | Nov 2005 | | | Nov 2005 | | |
| Total Nonagricultural Employment (thousands of jobs, SA) | 6,940.3 | 0.5 | 0.7 | 134,289 | 1.9 | 1.5 |
| Connecticut | 1,675.4 | 0.8 | 0.7 | | | |
| Maine | 618.4 | 0.6 | 0.4 | | | |
| Massachusetts | 3,200.8 | 0.2 | 0.4 | | | |
| New Hampshire | 641.2 | 0.6 | 1.6 | | | |
| Rhode Island | 495.4 | 2.2 | 1.2 | | | |
| Vermont | 309.1 | -0.8 | 1.2 | | | |
| Employment by Industry or Sector (thousands of jobs, SA) | | | | | | |
| Private (Total Nonagricultural less Government) | 5,977.7 | 0.7 | 0.8 | 112,417 | 2.1 | 1.7 |
| Government | 962.6 | -1.0 | 0.1 | 21,872 | 1.2 | 0.8 |
| Manufacturing | 744.2 | -0.3 | -0.6 | 14,270 | 0.9 | -0.5 |
| Construction | 314.6 | -1.5 | 2.8 | 7,356 | 6.2 | 4.2 |
| Professional and Business Services | 845.9 | 2.2 | 1.3 | 17,072 | 2.1 | 2.8 |
| Manufacturing Production Workers (NSA) | | | | | | |
| Average Weekly Hours | 41.3 | -2.9 | 0.0 | 41.1 | -2.9 | 0.7 |
| Average Hourly Earnings (dollars) | 17.48 | 1.4 | 2.5 | 16.73 | 2.2 | 2.5 |
| Help-Wanted Advertising Index (1987=100, NSA) | 23 | * | 9.5 | 39 | * | 8.3 |
| Average Weekly Initial Claims for Unemployment Insurance (SA) | 16,501 | * | -10.7 | 322,700 | * | -3.4 |
| | Current Period | Prior Period | Year Earlier Period | Current Period | Prior Period | Year Earlier Period |
| | Nov 2005 | | | Nov 2005 | | |
| Unemployment Rate (percent, SA) | 4.7 | 4.8 | 4.4 | 5.0 | 5.0 | 5.4 |
| Connecticut | 5.1 | 5.3 | 4.6 | | | |
| Maine | 4.9 | 5.2 | 4.6 | | | |
| Massachusetts | 4.9 | 4.8 | 4.8 | | | |
| New Hampshire | 3.8 | 3.9 | 3.4 | | | |
| Rhode Island | 5.2 | 5.4 | 4.8 | | | |
| Vermont | 3.5 | 3.9 | 3.4 | | | |

Footnotes for pages 2 and 3:

* Period-to-period comparisons of these data are not meaningful.

** The consumer price index for New England is for the Boston area and is published every other month. More recent U.S. data may be available on page 14.

*** U.S. consumer confidence is seasonally adjusted. New England consumer confidence is not seasonally adjusted.

SA: seasonally adjusted

NSA: not seasonally adjusted

SAAR: seasonally adjusted annual rate

NA: not available

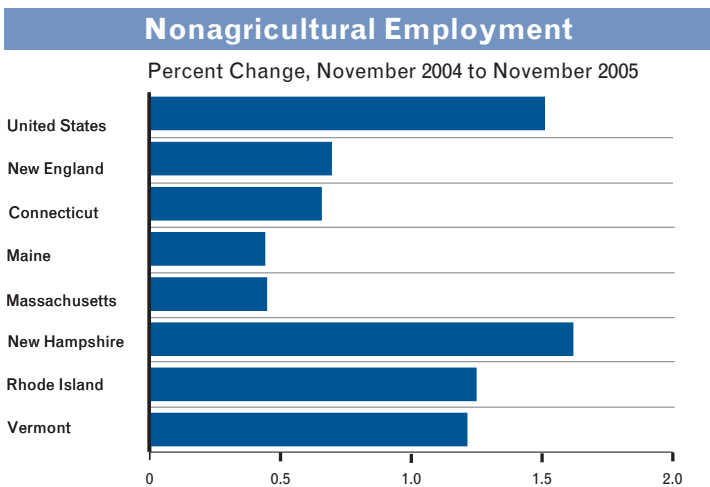
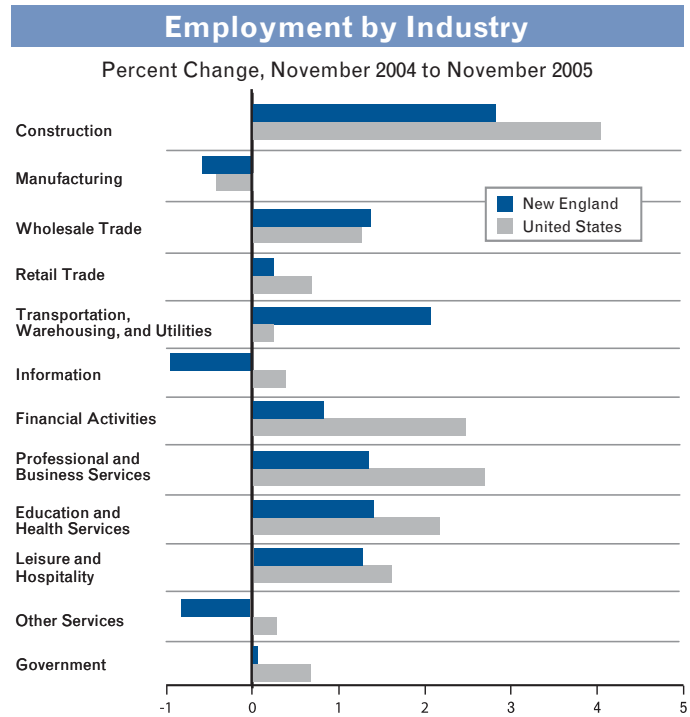
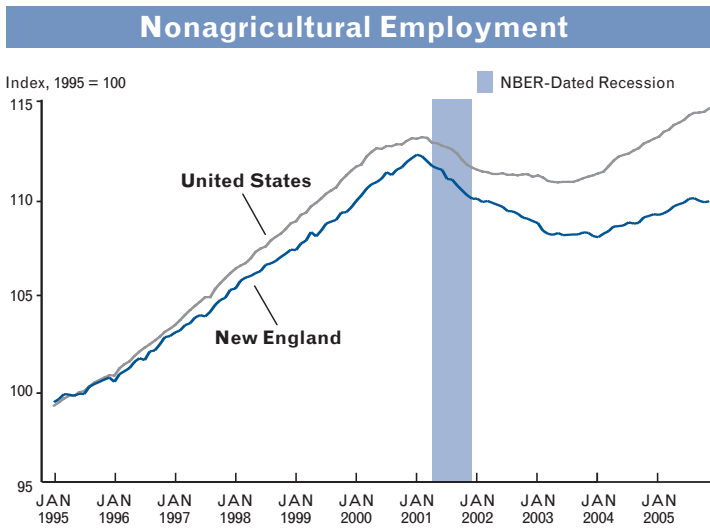
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| | New England | | | United States | | |
|---|-----------------|------------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------|------------------------------------|---------------------|
| | Current Period | Percent Change at Annual Rate from | | Current Period | Percent Change at Annual Rate from | |
| | | Prior Period | Year Earlier Period | | Prior Period | Year Earlier Period |
| Income (millions of dollars) | Q2 2005 | | | Q2 2005 | | |
| Total Personal Income (SAAR) | 601,884 | 5.7 | 6.0 | 10,225,957 | 6.3 | 6.5 |
| Wage and Salary Disbursements (SAAR) | 337,242 | 5.1 | 6.0 | 5,704,298 | 5.9 | 7.4 |
| Consumer Prices** | Nov 2005 | | | Nov 2005 | | |
| Consumer Price Index (1982-84 = 100, NSA) | 218.6 | -4.1 | 3.3 | 197.6 | -9.2 | 3.5 |
| Consumer Confidence | Dec 2005 | | | Dec 2005 | | |
| Consumer Confidence Index (U.S. average for 1985 = 100)*** | 92.8 | * | -9.4 | 103.6 | * | 0.9 |
| Real Estate | Q3 2005 | | | Q3 2005 | | |
| Conventional Mortgage Home Price Index (1987:Q1 = 100, NSA) | 252.28 | 7.8 | 9.7 | 271.79 | 12.3 | 12.1 |
| Connecticut | 215.63 | 10.4 | 11.0 | | | |
| Maine | 268.45 | 9.9 | 11.1 | | | |
| Massachusetts | 257.62 | 5.4 | 7.9 | | | |
| New Hampshire | 217.28 | 7.4 | 9.4 | | | |
| Rhode Island | 300.34 | 9.4 | 11.5 | | | |
| Vermont | 259.71 | 14.4 | 11.9 | | | |
| Sales of Existing Homes (thousands of units, SAAR) | NA | * | NA | 7,237 | * | 6.5 |
| | Nov 2005 | | | Nov 2005 | | |
| Housing Permits Authorized (housing units, SA) | 4,843 | * | -16.0 | 180,000 | * | 6.5 |
| Single Units | 3,294 | * | -16.8 | 144,000 | * | 11.6 |
| Value of Construction Contracts (index, 1980 = 100; total is NSA) | 374.2 | * | -0.1 | 395.9 | * | 11.3 |
| Residential (SA) | 442.2 | * | -7.8 | 608.7 | * | 11.2 |
| Nonresidential Building (NSA) | 373.6 | * | 17.6 | 317.0 | * | 14.3 |
| Nonbuilding (NSA) | 262.7 | * | -7.5 | 267.4 | * | 7.6 |
| Merchandise Exports | Q3 2005 | | | Q3 2005 | | |
| Total Merchandise Exports (millions of dollars, NSA) | 10,318 | * | 9.2 | 221,803 | * | 10.6 |
| Connecticut | 2,400 | * | 19.8 | | | |
| Maine | 614 | * | 17.0 | | | |
| Massachusetts | 5,202 | * | -1.4 | | | |
| New Hampshire | 630 | * | 12.7 | | | |
| Rhode Island | 292 | * | -10.4 | | | |
| Vermont | 1,180 | * | 55.7 | | | |
| State Revenues | Nov 2005 | | | | | |
| General Fund Revenues (millions of dollars, NSA) | | | | | | |
| Connecticut | NA | * | NA | | | |
| Maine | NA | * | NA | | | |
| Massachusetts | NA | * | NA | | | |
| New Hampshire | 93.8 | * | -4.8 | | | |
| Rhode Island | 152.2 | * | -20.1 | | | |
| Vermont | NA | * | NA | | | |
| Economic Activity (index, July 1992=100, NSA) | Nov 2005 | | | | | |
| General Fund Revenues (millions of dollars, NSA) | | | | | | |
| Connecticut | 154.2 | 2.4 | 3.2 | | | |
| Maine | 144.5 | 3.4 | 1.0 | | | |
| Massachusetts | 164.6 | -1.4 | 2.0 | | | |
| New Hampshire | 164.6 | 2.4 | 3.0 | | | |
| Rhode Island | 254.3 | 6.8 | 1.7 | | | |
| Vermont | 164.9 | 5.5 | 2.5 | | | |

Nonagricultural Employment (thousands of jobs, seasonally adjusted)

| | United States | New England | CT | ME | MA | NH | RI | VT |
|---|---------------|-------------|---------|-------|---------|-------|-------|-------|
| Total Nonagricultural Employment | | | | | | | | |
| 2002 Annual | 130,345 | 6,914.9 | 1,664.9 | 606.4 | 3,246.6 | 618.3 | 479.4 | 299.3 |
| 2003 Annual | 129,999 | 6,837.5 | 1,644.5 | 606.7 | 3,185.1 | 617.8 | 484.2 | 299.2 |
| 2004 Annual | 131,475 | 6,864.2 | 1,651.7 | 613.6 | 3,180.1 | 627.2 | 488.4 | 303.3 |
| 2003 November | 130,172 | 6,838.0 | 1,645.0 | 610.2 | 3,174.1 | 621.9 | 486.2 | 300.6 |
| 2004 November | 132,294 | 6,892.5 | 1,664.5 | 615.7 | 3,186.6 | 631.0 | 489.3 | 305.4 |
| 2004 December | 132,449 | 6,898.4 | 1,664.6 | 616.2 | 3,188.1 | 632.7 | 490.2 | 306.6 |
| 2005 January | 132,573 | 6,896.1 | 1,661.0 | 615.7 | 3,190.0 | 632.9 | 491.1 | 305.4 |
| 2005 February | 132,873 | 6,901.5 | 1,664.2 | 617.4 | 3,191.1 | 631.0 | 492.0 | 305.8 |
| 2005 March | 132,995 | 6,910.3 | 1,666.7 | 616.3 | 3,195.3 | 634.5 | 492.3 | 305.2 |
| 2005 April | 133,287 | 6,924.4 | 1,669.6 | 618.6 | 3,200.8 | 636.7 | 493.0 | 305.7 |
| 2005 May | 133,413 | 6,930.9 | 1,669.8 | 618.0 | 3,200.9 | 639.8 | 494.3 | 308.1 |
| 2005 June | 133,588 | 6,936.0 | 1,670.3 | 618.5 | 3,205.9 | 637.6 | 495.2 | 308.5 |
| 2005 July | 133,865 | 6,948.4 | 1,670.2 | 618.6 | 3,214.3 | 640.7 | 496.4 | 308.2 |
| 2005 August | 134,013 | 6,950.7 | 1,671.2 | 620.6 | 3,209.8 | 644.7 | 495.6 | 308.8 |
| 2005 September | 134,030 | 6,942.2 | 1,670.0 | 616.5 | 3,208.3 | 642.5 | 495.3 | 309.6 |
| 2005 October | 134,074 | 6,937.4 | 1,674.3 | 618.1 | 3,200.3 | 640.9 | 494.5 | 309.3 |
| 2005 November | 134,289 | 6,940.3 | 1,675.4 | 618.4 | 3,200.8 | 641.2 | 495.4 | 309.1 |

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.



Note: These data are not seasonally adjusted.

Employment by Industry (thousands of jobs, seasonally adjusted)

| | United States | New England | CT | ME | MA | NH | RI | VT |
|----------------------------------|---------------|-------------|---------|-------|---------|-------|-------|-------|
| Total Private Employment* | | | | | | | | |
| 2002 Annual | 108,834 | 5,933.9 | 1,415.6 | 503.4 | 2,823.1 | 530.1 | 413.3 | 248.5 |
| 2003 Annual | 108,414 | 5,866.9 | 1,398.5 | 503.0 | 2,772.5 | 527.7 | 418.0 | 247.2 |
| 2004 Annual | 109,854 | 5,902.2 | 1,409.5 | 508.8 | 2,773.2 | 537.3 | 422.6 | 250.8 |
| 2003 November | 108,617 | 5,873.2 | 1,401.0 | 506.1 | 2,765.6 | 531.5 | 420.5 | 248.5 |
| 2004 November | 110,588 | 5,930.4 | 1,422.7 | 510.3 | 2,781.0 | 540.8 | 423.2 | 252.4 |
| 2004 December | 110,749 | 5,936.8 | 1,422.6 | 510.8 | 2,782.9 | 541.9 | 424.9 | 253.7 |
| 2005 January | 110,863 | 5,931.9 | 1,418.7 | 510.6 | 2,784.9 | 539.8 | 425.5 | 252.4 |
| 2005 February | 111,140 | 5,940.3 | 1,422.2 | 512.8 | 2,785.1 | 540.9 | 426.3 | 253.0 |
| 2005 March | 111,264 | 5,947.1 | 1,423.3 | 511.6 | 2,789.4 | 543.7 | 426.6 | 252.5 |
| 2005 April | 111,542 | 5,960.4 | 1,426.5 | 513.5 | 2,794.2 | 546.2 | 427.1 | 252.9 |
| 2005 May | 111,659 | 5,965.2 | 1,427.4 | 512.8 | 2,793.0 | 548.5 | 428.4 | 255.1 |
| 2005 June | 111,828 | 5,970.2 | 1,428.1 | 512.9 | 2,796.8 | 547.3 | 428.9 | 256.2 |
| 2005 July | 112,048 | 5,983.4 | 1,428.1 | 512.6 | 2,806.7 | 550.4 | 430.2 | 255.4 |
| 2005 August | 112,164 | 5,981.1 | 1,426.7 | 513.1 | 2,802.8 | 552.8 | 429.7 | 256.0 |
| 2005 September | 112,174 | 5,975.4 | 1,428.3 | 511.3 | 2,798.3 | 551.6 | 429.5 | 256.4 |
| 2005 October | 112,223 | 5,974.0 | 1,431.5 | 512.1 | 2,795.4 | 550.0 | 428.9 | 256.1 |
| 2005 November | 112,417 | 5,977.7 | 1,432.8 | 512.6 | 2,795.4 | 551.1 | 429.5 | 256.3 |
| Government Employment | | | | | | | | |
| 2002 Annual | 21,512 | 981.0 | 249.3 | 103.1 | 423.4 | 88.3 | 66.1 | 50.9 |
| 2003 Annual | 21,585 | 970.6 | 246.0 | 103.7 | 412.6 | 90.1 | 66.2 | 52.0 |
| 2004 Annual | 21,620 | 962.0 | 242.3 | 104.9 | 406.8 | 89.9 | 65.8 | 52.4 |
| 2003 November | 21,555 | 964.8 | 244.0 | 104.1 | 408.5 | 90.4 | 65.7 | 52.1 |
| 2004 November | 21,706 | 962.1 | 241.8 | 105.4 | 405.6 | 90.2 | 66.1 | 53.0 |
| 2004 December | 21,700 | 961.6 | 242.0 | 105.4 | 405.2 | 90.8 | 65.3 | 52.9 |
| 2005 January | 21,710 | 964.2 | 242.3 | 105.1 | 405.1 | 93.1 | 65.6 | 53.0 |
| 2005 February | 21,733 | 961.2 | 242.0 | 104.6 | 406.0 | 90.1 | 65.7 | 52.8 |
| 2005 March | 21,731 | 963.2 | 243.4 | 104.7 | 405.9 | 90.8 | 65.7 | 52.7 |
| 2005 April | 21,745 | 964.0 | 243.1 | 105.1 | 406.6 | 90.5 | 65.9 | 52.8 |
| 2005 May | 21,754 | 965.7 | 242.4 | 105.2 | 407.9 | 91.3 | 65.9 | 53.0 |
| 2005 June | 21,760 | 965.8 | 242.2 | 105.6 | 409.1 | 90.3 | 66.3 | 52.3 |
| 2005 July | 21,817 | 965.0 | 242.1 | 106.0 | 407.6 | 90.3 | 66.2 | 52.8 |
| 2005 August | 21,849 | 969.6 | 244.5 | 107.5 | 407.0 | 91.9 | 65.9 | 52.8 |
| 2005 September | 21,856 | 966.8 | 241.7 | 105.2 | 410.0 | 90.9 | 65.8 | 53.2 |
| 2005 October | 21,851 | 963.4 | 242.8 | 106.0 | 404.9 | 90.9 | 65.6 | 53.2 |
| 2005 November | 21,872 | 962.6 | 242.6 | 105.8 | 405.4 | 90.1 | 65.9 | 52.8 |
| Manufacturing Employment | | | | | | | | |
| 2002 Annual | 15,258 | 815.8 | 211.2 | 68.0 | 348.8 | 85.0 | 62.3 | 40.5 |
| 2003 Annual | 14,508 | 765.0 | 200.0 | 64.1 | 324.3 | 80.4 | 58.7 | 37.5 |
| 2004 Annual | 14,329 | 748.8 | 197.5 | 63.1 | 314.0 | 80.3 | 57.0 | 37.0 |
| 2003 November | 14,315 | 753.4 | 197.7 | 64.1 | 317.2 | 80.1 | 57.5 | 36.8 |
| 2004 November | 14,337 | 748.6 | 197.7 | 63.3 | 312.9 | 81.0 | 56.6 | 37.1 |
| 2004 December | 14,334 | 748.1 | 197.9 | 63.0 | 312.7 | 81.0 | 56.4 | 37.1 |
| 2005 January | 14,307 | 747.2 | 197.6 | 62.5 | 312.7 | 81.0 | 56.3 | 37.1 |
| 2005 February | 14,321 | 749.4 | 198.9 | 62.4 | 313.3 | 80.9 | 56.5 | 37.4 |
| 2005 March | 14,315 | 747.3 | 198.9 | 62.2 | 312.0 | 80.9 | 55.9 | 37.4 |
| 2005 April | 14,300 | 746.7 | 198.7 | 62.2 | 312.7 | 80.7 | 55.2 | 37.2 |
| 2005 May | 14,301 | 745.5 | 198.2 | 62.0 | 312.7 | 80.5 | 54.9 | 37.2 |
| 2005 June | 14,276 | 745.5 | 197.9 | 61.8 | 312.3 | 80.8 | 55.1 | 37.6 |
| 2005 July | 14,270 | 748.9 | 197.3 | 62.2 | 314.9 | 81.9 | 55.1 | 37.5 |
| 2005 August | 14,260 | 747.5 | 196.8 | 61.7 | 314.6 | 82.2 | 54.8 | 37.4 |
| 2005 September | 14,244 | 745.5 | 196.7 | 61.7 | 313.0 | 82.0 | 54.5 | 37.6 |
| 2005 October | 14,259 | 744.4 | 196.8 | 61.4 | 312.5 | 81.6 | 54.6 | 37.5 |
| 2005 November | 14,270 | 744.2 | 196.9 | 61.6 | 312.8 | 80.9 | 54.7 | 37.3 |

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

* Total private employment is calculated as total nonagricultural employment less government employment.

Table continued

Employment by Industry, continued (thousands of jobs, seasonally adjusted)

| | United States | New England | CT | ME | MA | NH | RI | VT |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-------------|------|------|-------|------|------|------|
| Construction Employment | | | | | | | | |
| 2002 Annual | 6,714 | 295.7 | 63.4 | 29.4 | 140.7 | 27.9 | 19.4 | 14.9 |
| 2003 Annual | 6,732 | 294.0 | 61.9 | 30.5 | 136.8 | 28.9 | 20.7 | 15.3 |
| 2004 Annual | 6,961 | 302.2 | 65.8 | 31.0 | 138.3 | 29.7 | 20.8 | 16.6 |
| 2003 November | 6,802 | 298.1 | 63.3 | 30.9 | 136.8 | 29.6 | 21.5 | 16.0 |
| 2004 November | 7,060 | 305.9 | 68.1 | 30.8 | 139.3 | 30.1 | 20.9 | 16.7 |
| 2004 December | 7,086 | 306.7 | 68.1 | 31.0 | 139.8 | 30.1 | 21.0 | 16.7 |
| 2005 January | 7,090 | 306.3 | 67.5 | 31.2 | 140.1 | 29.9 | 20.8 | 16.8 |
| 2005 February | 7,133 | 307.6 | 67.7 | 31.8 | 140.0 | 30.0 | 21.1 | 17.0 |
| 2005 March | 7,159 | 310.8 | 68.8 | 32.1 | 141.3 | 30.4 | 21.0 | 17.2 |
| 2005 April | 7,207 | 314.9 | 70.8 | 31.6 | 142.5 | 31.0 | 21.2 | 17.8 |
| 2005 May | 7,213 | 315.4 | 70.6 | 31.9 | 142.8 | 30.8 | 21.4 | 17.9 |
| 2005 June | 7,230 | 316.2 | 71.1 | 31.7 | 143.5 | 30.7 | 21.2 | 18.0 |
| 2005 July | 7,235 | 315.6 | 71.1 | 31.6 | 142.8 | 31.0 | 21.2 | 17.9 |
| 2005 August | 7,267 | 316.6 | 71.1 | 31.6 | 143.5 | 31.3 | 21.4 | 17.7 |
| 2005 September | 7,284 | 314.5 | 70.7 | 31.0 | 142.6 | 31.1 | 21.4 | 17.7 |
| 2005 October | 7,319 | 315.0 | 71.0 | 31.5 | 141.9 | 31.3 | 21.5 | 17.8 |
| 2005 November | 7,356 | 314.6 | 71.0 | 31.4 | 141.6 | 31.3 | 21.6 | 17.7 |

Trade, Transportation, and Utilities Employment

| | United States | CT | ME | MA | NH | RI |
|----------------|---------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| 2002 Annual | 25,499 | 309.2 | 123.3 | 579.8 | 138.2 | 80.5 |
| 2003 Annual | 25,291 | 305.5 | 123.2 | 573.8 | 138.4 | 80.8 |
| 2004 Annual | 25,511 | 308.8 | 125.7 | 573.8 | 140.2 | 80.0 |
| 2003 November | 25,282 | 305.6 | 124.2 | 573.7 | 139.5 | 81.0 |
| 2004 November | 25,621 | 312.9 | 126.5 | 573.4 | 140.8 | 79.4 |
| 2004 December | 25,620 | 311.7 | 126.7 | 572.8 | 140.9 | 79.3 |
| 2005 January | 25,652 | 309.7 | 126.6 | 575.2 | 140.8 | 78.9 |
| 2005 February | 25,714 | 310.8 | 127.0 | 574.3 | 140.5 | 78.6 |
| 2005 March | 25,743 | 312.1 | 126.2 | 574.0 | 141.4 | 79.2 |
| 2005 April | 25,797 | 313.1 | 126.2 | 573.9 | 142.5 | 79.8 |
| 2005 May | 25,842 | 313.5 | 126.5 | 575.0 | 143.0 | 79.5 |
| 2005 June | 25,854 | 314.0 | 126.6 | 575.8 | 142.9 | 79.5 |
| 2005 July | 25,922 | 316.2 | 126.5 | 575.9 | 144.0 | 79.1 |
| 2005 August | 25,910 | 317.2 | 126.7 | 576.8 | 144.4 | 79.0 |
| 2005 September | 25,870 | 315.8 | 126.2 | 575.4 | 145.0 | 79.0 |
| 2005 October | 25,880 | 316.7 | 126.3 | 575.2 | 144.0 | 78.7 |
| 2005 November | 25,909 | 315.2 | 126.9 | 574.6 | 143.7 | 78.6 |

Financial Activities Employment

Information Employment

| | United States | CT | ME | MA | NH | RI | United States | CT | MA |
|----------------|---------------|-------|------|-------|------|------|---------------|------|------|
| 2002 Annual | 7,848 | 142.6 | 35.1 | 228.1 | 36.6 | 32.9 | 3,393 | 41.0 | 99.6 |
| 2003 Annual | 7,975 | 142.7 | 35.1 | 223.7 | 37.0 | 33.7 | 3,188 | 39.6 | 91.3 |
| 2004 Annual | 8,051 | 140.6 | 34.9 | 220.0 | 37.5 | 34.2 | 3,138 | 39.1 | 86.6 |
| 2003 November | 7,990 | 141.7 | 35.1 | 221.6 | 36.8 | 33.9 | 3,150 | 39.2 | 89.1 |
| 2004 November | 8,107 | 140.4 | 34.4 | 219.0 | 38.2 | 34.0 | 3,133 | 39.2 | 85.6 |
| 2004 December | 8,128 | 140.8 | 34.5 | 219.4 | 38.2 | 34.4 | 3,127 | 39.3 | 85.7 |
| 2005 January | 8,150 | 140.7 | 34.5 | 218.7 | 38.4 | 35.0 | 3,123 | 39.5 | 85.5 |
| 2005 February | 8,165 | 141.2 | 34.7 | 219.4 | 38.6 | 35.2 | 3,127 | 39.4 | 84.6 |
| 2005 March | 8,167 | 141.3 | 34.5 | 219.6 | 38.7 | 35.3 | 3,134 | 39.3 | 84.8 |
| 2005 April | 8,182 | 141.3 | 34.5 | 219.9 | 38.7 | 35.2 | 3,152 | 39.4 | 84.2 |
| 2005 May | 8,189 | 141.1 | 34.3 | 219.9 | 38.4 | 35.5 | 3,146 | 39.3 | 84.2 |
| 2005 June | 8,208 | 141.2 | 34.2 | 220.7 | 38.5 | 35.4 | 3,146 | 39.4 | 84.2 |
| 2005 July | 8,227 | 141.1 | 34.6 | 220.6 | 38.4 | 35.5 | 3,146 | 39.1 | 84.1 |
| 2005 August | 8,248 | 141.2 | 34.7 | 220.3 | 38.3 | 35.5 | 3,147 | 39.1 | 83.9 |
| 2005 September | 8,265 | 141.5 | 34.3 | 219.7 | 38.2 | 35.3 | 3,153 | 38.7 | 84.0 |
| 2005 October | 8,292 | 142.3 | 34.2 | 219.0 | 38.3 | 35.3 | 3,140 | 38.7 | 83.7 |
| 2005 November | 8,305 | 142.1 | 34.2 | 219.2 | 38.5 | 35.5 | 3,143 | 39.1 | 83.8 |

Note: Seasonally adjusted industry-level employment data are not available for all states. All available seasonally adjusted data are shown here. Not seasonally adjusted industry-level data, which are available for all states, can be found in the *Indicators* database at: <http://www.bos.frb.org/economic/nceti/ncetidata.htm>.

Employment by Industry, continued (thousands of jobs, seasonally adjusted)

| | United States | New England | CT | ME | MA | NH | RI | VT |
|--|---------------|-------------|-------|------|-------|------|------|------|
| Professional and Business Services Employment | | | | | | | | |
| 2002 Annual | 15,977 | 830.5 | 202.0 | 51.4 | 453.6 | 54.3 | 48.9 | 20.2 |
| 2003 Annual | 15,985 | 812.7 | 196.8 | 50.3 | 440.6 | 54.7 | 50.0 | 20.4 |
| 2004 Annual | 16,410 | 828.0 | 197.9 | 49.6 | 449.1 | 56.8 | 53.5 | 21.2 |
| 2003 November | 16,098 | 816.7 | 196.9 | 50.0 | 442.3 | 55.7 | 51.2 | 20.6 |
| 2004 November | 16,611 | 834.7 | 200.1 | 49.5 | 452.9 | 56.5 | 54.4 | 21.3 |
| 2004 December | 16,674 | 835.4 | 199.5 | 49.3 | 454.6 | 56.2 | 54.6 | 21.2 |
| 2005 January | 16,694 | 832.5 | 197.8 | 49.1 | 454.3 | 55.2 | 54.9 | 21.2 |
| 2005 February | 16,775 | 835.0 | 198.1 | 49.6 | 455.7 | 55.2 | 55.2 | 21.2 |
| 2005 March | 16,796 | 835.4 | 198.0 | 49.6 | 455.4 | 55.9 | 55.3 | 21.2 |
| 2005 April | 16,843 | 841.5 | 197.9 | 49.9 | 460.2 | 56.4 | 55.5 | 21.6 |
| 2005 May | 16,851 | 840.0 | 197.6 | 50.1 | 458.4 | 56.5 | 55.7 | 21.7 |
| 2005 June | 16,906 | 841.2 | 197.8 | 49.7 | 459.3 | 57.0 | 55.4 | 22.0 |
| 2005 July | 16,964 | 844.1 | 199.9 | 49.9 | 460.1 | 57.0 | 55.3 | 21.9 |
| 2005 August | 16,983 | 842.5 | 199.1 | 49.6 | 459.3 | 56.8 | 55.6 | 22.1 |
| 2005 September | 17,037 | 840.9 | 198.7 | 49.7 | 458.1 | 56.9 | 55.3 | 22.2 |
| 2005 October | 17,043 | 844.4 | 199.4 | 49.8 | 461.0 | 56.9 | 55.1 | 22.2 |
| 2005 November | 17,072 | 845.9 | 200.8 | 49.5 | 461.4 | 56.7 | 55.3 | 22.2 |

Leisure and Hospitality Employment

| | United States | CT | ME | MA | NH | RI |
|----------------|---------------|-------|------|-------|------|------|
| 2002 Annual | 11,988 | 122.8 | 57.3 | 284.8 | 60.8 | 48.0 |
| 2003 Annual | 12,176 | 125.1 | 58.5 | 287.6 | 61.5 | 49.0 |
| 2004 Annual | 12,481 | 127.5 | 59.3 | 291.1 | 64.1 | 49.8 |
| 2003 November | 12,291 | 127.1 | 59.4 | 289.0 | 62.2 | 49.6 |
| 2004 November | 12,571 | 128.3 | 60.3 | 294.1 | 64.4 | 50.4 |
| 2004 December | 12,589 | 128.1 | 61.1 | 293.7 | 64.9 | 50.6 |
| 2005 January | 12,611 | 128.9 | 60.5 | 295.7 | 65.0 | 50.8 |
| 2005 February | 12,650 | 129.2 | 60.3 | 297.9 | 65.5 | 50.8 |
| 2005 March | 12,662 | 129.7 | 59.9 | 298.7 | 66.2 | 51.2 |
| 2005 April | 12,723 | 129.2 | 60.3 | 300.5 | 66.6 | 51.3 |
| 2005 May | 12,736 | 130.7 | 60.0 | 298.0 | 67.6 | 51.8 |
| 2005 June | 12,765 | 131.6 | 60.3 | 297.7 | 66.7 | 52.0 |
| 2005 July | 12,801 | 131.4 | 59.7 | 300.2 | 67.1 | 52.6 |
| 2005 August | 12,830 | 131.1 | 60.0 | 297.9 | 67.1 | 52.2 |
| 2005 September | 12,762 | 131.2 | 60.6 | 297.5 | 66.8 | 52.2 |
| 2005 October | 12,748 | 129.7 | 60.9 | 296.4 | 66.9 | 52.1 |
| 2005 November | 12,777 | 129.1 | 61.3 | 295.3 | 67.8 | 52.3 |

Education and Health Services Employment

Other Services Employment

| | United States | ME | MA | RI | United States | MA | NH |
|----------------|---------------|-------|-------|------|---------------|-------|------|
| 2002 Annual | 16,202 | 104.9 | 568.4 | 88.0 | 5,372 | 117.5 | 21.6 |
| 2003 Annual | 16,587 | 107.3 | 575.5 | 91.0 | 5,400 | 117.1 | 20.7 |
| 2004 Annual | 16,952 | 111.2 | 581.9 | 92.9 | 5,431 | 116.4 | 20.7 |
| 2003 November | 16,712 | 108.7 | 577.6 | 91.5 | 5,401 | 116.8 | 20.8 |
| 2004 November | 17,108 | 112.4 | 583.5 | 93.5 | 5,441 | 116.0 | 20.4 |
| 2004 December | 17,142 | 112.3 | 584.2 | 93.7 | 5,447 | 116.2 | 20.3 |
| 2005 January | 17,178 | 112.5 | 585.1 | 94.2 | 5,451 | 116.5 | 20.2 |
| 2005 February | 17,186 | 112.6 | 585.3 | 94.6 | 5,457 | 116.3 | 20.4 |
| 2005 March | 17,210 | 112.6 | 586.3 | 95.2 | 5,459 | 116.2 | 20.1 |
| 2005 April | 17,243 | 113.2 | 585.3 | 95.4 | 5,472 | 116.2 | 20.0 |
| 2005 May | 17,289 | 113.1 | 585.2 | 95.8 | 5,468 | 116.2 | 20.0 |
| 2005 June | 17,336 | 113.3 | 586.3 | 95.7 | 5,479 | 116.0 | 19.8 |
| 2005 July | 17,377 | 113.3 | 588.4 | 95.6 | 5,477 | 115.7 | 20.0 |
| 2005 August | 17,418 | 113.9 | 587.7 | 95.9 | 5,469 | 114.9 | 20.1 |
| 2005 September | 17,455 | 113.3 | 587.9 | 96.8 | 5,468 | 115.9 | 19.9 |
| 2005 October | 17,445 | 114.2 | 586.7 | 97.1 | 5,457 | 114.9 | 19.6 |
| 2005 November | 17,481 | 114.6 | 587.8 | 97.4 | 5,462 | 115.1 | 19.4 |

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Unemployment (seasonally adjusted)

| | United States | New England | CT | ME | MA | NH | RI | VT |
|------------------------------------|---------------|-------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Unemployment Rate (percent) | | | | | | | | |
| 2002 Annual | 5.8 | 4.8 | 4.4 | 4.4 | 5.3 | 4.5 | 5.1 | 4.0 |
| 2003 Annual | 6.0 | 5.4 | 5.5 | 5.0 | 5.8 | 4.5 | 5.4 | 4.5 |
| 2004 Annual | 5.5 | 4.8 | 4.9 | 4.6 | 5.1 | 3.8 | 5.2 | 3.7 |
| 2003 November | 5.9 | 5.4 | 5.4 | 4.9 | 5.7 | 4.4 | 5.5 | 4.2 |
| 2004 November | 5.4 | 4.4 | 4.6 | 4.6 | 4.8 | 3.4 | 4.8 | 3.4 |
| 2004 December | 5.4 | 4.3 | 4.5 | 4.6 | 4.7 | 3.4 | 4.8 | 3.6 |
| 2005 January | 5.2 | 4.5 | 4.7 | 4.4 | 4.8 | 3.4 | 4.4 | 3.5 |
| 2005 February | 5.4 | 4.6 | 4.8 | 4.6 | 4.9 | 3.8 | 4.4 | 3.5 |
| 2005 March | 5.2 | 4.7 | 4.9 | 4.7 | 4.9 | 3.7 | 4.5 | 3.4 |
| 2005 April | 5.2 | 4.6 | 4.9 | 4.7 | 4.7 | 3.4 | 4.7 | 3.3 |
| 2005 May | 5.1 | 4.7 | 5.3 | 5.0 | 4.8 | 3.6 | 4.5 | 3.1 |
| 2005 June | 5.0 | 4.6 | 5.1 | 4.7 | 4.7 | 3.5 | 4.8 | 3.4 |
| 2005 July | 5.0 | 4.8 | 5.1 | 4.9 | 4.7 | 3.6 | 5.1 | 3.6 |
| 2005 August | 4.9 | 4.6 | 5.4 | 5.0 | 4.2 | 3.5 | 5.1 | 3.5 |
| 2005 September | 5.1 | 4.9 | 5.3 | 5.4 | 4.8 | 3.9 | 5.7 | 3.7 |
| 2005 October | 5.0 | 4.8 | 5.3 | 5.2 | 4.8 | 3.9 | 5.4 | 3.9 |
| 2005 November | 5.0 | 4.7 | 5.1 | 4.9 | 4.9 | 3.8 | 5.2 | 3.5 |

| | United States | New England | CT | ME | MA | NH | RI | VT |
|--------------------------------------|---------------|-------------|------|------|-------|------|------|------|
| Number Unemployed (thousands) | | | | | | | | |
| 2002 Annual | 8,379 | 363.9 | 78.5 | 30.2 | 180.8 | 32.4 | 28.2 | 13.8 |
| 2003 Annual | 8,774 | 410.1 | 98.8 | 34.7 | 198.2 | 31.9 | 30.8 | 15.7 |
| 2004 Annual | 8,143 | 362.6 | 87.5 | 32.1 | 173.6 | 27.3 | 29.0 | 13.1 |
| 2003 November | 8,651 | 406.7 | 96.6 | 34.3 | 194.4 | 31.3 | 30.9 | 15.0 |
| 2004 November | 8,020 | 331.3 | 82.7 | 32.5 | 161.6 | 24.6 | 27.2 | 12.1 |
| 2004 December | 8,047 | 323.9 | 79.9 | 32.7 | 159.9 | 24.5 | 26.7 | 12.7 |
| 2005 January | 7,737 | 334.3 | 84.0 | 30.6 | 160.4 | 25.0 | 24.6 | 12.2 |
| 2005 February | 7,988 | 348.1 | 85.3 | 32.3 | 164.5 | 27.7 | 24.8 | 12.5 |
| 2005 March | 7,656 | 353.1 | 88.0 | 32.7 | 164.8 | 27.1 | 25.4 | 11.9 |
| 2005 April | 7,663 | 345.5 | 88.3 | 33.3 | 157.8 | 25.1 | 26.6 | 11.6 |
| 2005 May | 7,647 | 355.2 | 96.8 | 35.7 | 160.7 | 26.4 | 25.9 | 10.8 |
| 2005 June | 7,486 | 349.3 | 92.0 | 33.0 | 158.2 | 26.0 | 27.3 | 12.1 |
| 2005 July | 7,497 | 358.7 | 92.7 | 35.2 | 159.3 | 26.3 | 29.2 | 12.7 |
| 2005 August | 7,391 | 344.4 | 97.4 | 35.6 | 142.5 | 26.1 | 29.5 | 12.2 |
| 2005 September | 7,661 | 371.4 | 96.5 | 39.0 | 161.8 | 28.9 | 33.2 | 13.2 |
| 2005 October | 7,433 | 366.2 | 96.8 | 37.4 | 161.0 | 29.1 | 31.3 | 14.1 |
| 2005 November | 7,582 | 361.5 | 93.7 | 35.6 | 164.4 | 28.0 | 30.2 | 12.6 |

| | United States | New England | CT | ME | MA | NH | RI | VT |
|---|---------------|-------------|---------|-------|---------|-------|-------|-------|
| Civilian Labor Force (thousands) | | | | | | | | |
| 2002 Annual | 144,862 | 7,514.7 | 1,784.6 | 684.7 | 3,427.9 | 713.9 | 556.2 | 347.5 |
| 2003 Annual | 146,509 | 7,550.6 | 1,804.9 | 694.3 | 3,413.8 | 717.3 | 568.7 | 351.5 |
| 2004 Annual | 147,390 | 7,528.6 | 1,797.3 | 699.3 | 3,393.1 | 723.0 | 562.3 | 353.4 |
| 2003 November | 147,109 | 7,559.6 | 1,803.3 | 697.1 | 3,404.8 | 719.8 | 565.5 | 352.7 |
| 2004 November | 148,313 | 7,500.3 | 1,794.1 | 702.7 | 3,386.4 | 724.7 | 561.0 | 354.0 |
| 2004 December | 148,203 | 7,496.9 | 1,791.5 | 702.9 | 3,385.1 | 725.5 | 560.1 | 354.7 |
| 2005 January | 147,979 | 7,493.2 | 1,782.3 | 700.9 | 3,371.3 | 726.6 | 558.5 | 353.1 |
| 2005 February | 148,132 | 7,500.3 | 1,776.7 | 701.4 | 3,377.0 | 727.2 | 561.7 | 353.3 |
| 2005 March | 148,157 | 7,512.8 | 1,789.6 | 701.7 | 3,369.6 | 729.6 | 564.0 | 352.7 |
| 2005 April | 148,762 | 7,546.9 | 1,808.0 | 705.7 | 3,377.5 | 733.8 | 567.6 | 352.3 |
| 2005 May | 149,122 | 7,551.5 | 1,812.9 | 708.9 | 3,373.8 | 734.7 | 570.7 | 351.5 |
| 2005 June | 149,123 | 7,529.0 | 1,800.5 | 707.0 | 3,367.4 | 733.7 | 569.0 | 351.9 |
| 2005 July | 149,573 | 7,547.4 | 1,802.0 | 710.4 | 3,376.8 | 734.8 | 570.8 | 352.2 |
| 2005 August | 149,841 | 7,555.1 | 1,813.7 | 712.4 | 3,365.3 | 740.6 | 573.6 | 352.4 |
| 2005 September | 150,093 | 7,594.1 | 1,822.1 | 717.2 | 3,381.3 | 741.8 | 579.3 | 355.6 |
| 2005 October | 150,079 | 7,589.9 | 1,821.3 | 719.4 | 3,378.8 | 740.6 | 576.7 | 357.2 |
| 2005 November | 150,176 | 7,610.9 | 1,824.4 | 721.0 | 3,388.2 | 740.6 | 580.3 | 357.7 |

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

Average Weekly Initial Claims for Unemployment Insurance (seasonally adjusted)

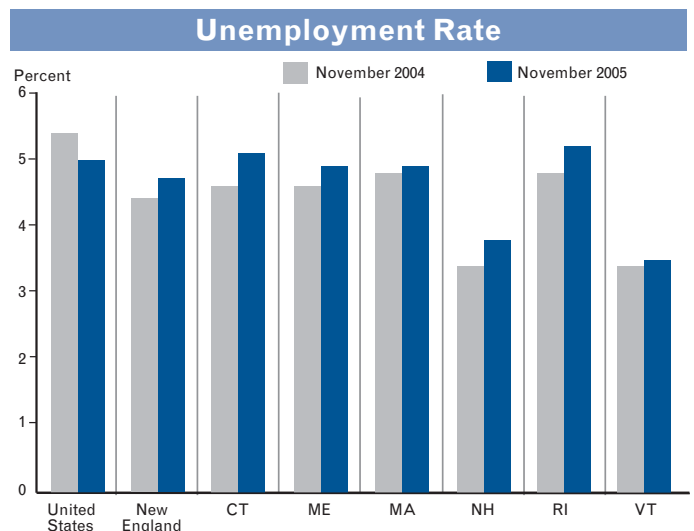
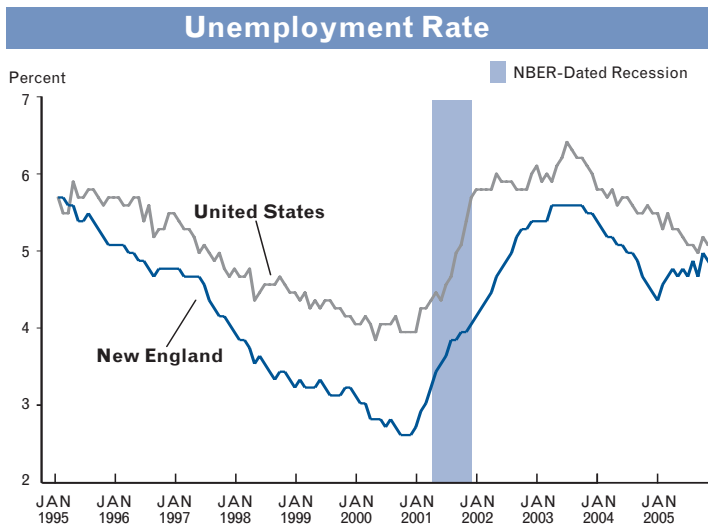
| | United States | New England | CT | ME | MA | NH | RI | VT |
|----------------|---------------|-------------|-------|-------|--------|-------|-------|-------|
| 2002 Annual | 403,942 | 21,583 | 5,490 | 1,566 | 10,533 | 1,215 | 1,822 | 958 |
| 2003 Annual | 401,817 | 20,496 | 5,046 | 1,477 | 10,028 | 1,104 | 1,765 | 1,076 |
| 2004 Annual | 342,917 | 17,407 | 4,350 | 1,444 | 8,193 | 978 | 1,643 | 798 |
| 2003 November | 366,900 | 19,176 | 4,795 | 1,410 | 9,319 | 1,062 | 1,693 | 898 |
| 2004 November | 334,100 | 18,475 | 4,418 | 2,038 | 8,521 | 972 | 1,718 | 808 |
| 2004 December | 330,000 | 17,920 | 4,492 | 1,634 | 8,283 | 1,019 | 1,708 | 784 |
| 2005 January | 330,100 | 17,861 | 4,315 | 1,420 | 8,767 | 1,098 | 1,426 | 836 |
| 2005 February | 307,400 | 17,151 | 4,031 | 1,333 | 8,309 | 1,004 | 1,689 | 784 |
| 2005 March | 337,800 | 16,980 | 4,649 | 1,368 | 7,568 | 1,020 | 1,571 | 805 |
| 2005 April | 321,900 | 17,018 | 4,494 | 1,428 | 7,759 | 893 | 1,587 | 858 |
| 2005 May | 334,700 | 16,840 | 3,989 | 1,238 | 8,501 | 891 | 1,464 | 758 |
| 2005 June | 320,700 | 15,916 | 3,928 | 1,247 | 7,298 | 1,023 | 1,595 | 826 |
| 2005 July | 316,700 | 16,236 | 4,188 | 1,428 | 7,573 | 794 | 1,515 | 738 |
| 2005 August | 317,000 | 16,174 | 4,324 | 1,308 | 7,348 | 816 | 1,549 | 829 |
| 2005 September | 404,700 | 15,912 | 4,009 | 1,384 | 7,437 | 814 | 1,473 | 795 |
| 2005 October | 350,500 | 17,441 | 4,447 | 1,187 | 8,252 | 899 | 1,759 | 896 |
| 2005 November | 322,700 | 16,501 | 4,298 | 1,352 | 7,493 | 969 | 1,507 | 881 |

Source: United States: The Conference Board, Inc. New England and states: U.S. Department of Labor and Federal Reserve Bank of Boston.

Help-Wanted Advertising Index (index, 1987 = 100, seasonally adjusted)

| | United States | New England | Boston | Hartford | Providence |
|----------------|---------------|-------------|--------|----------|------------|
| 2002 Annual | 44 | 27 | 28 | 16 | 35 |
| 2003 Annual | 38 | 23 | 26 | 12 | 31 |
| 2004 Annual | 38 | 24 | 27 | 10 | 30 |
| 2003 November | 39 | 24 | 26 | 13 | 29 |
| 2004 November | 36 | 21 | 25 | 8 | 25 |
| 2004 December | 38 | 23 | 25 | 11 | 26 |
| 2005 January | 41 | 25 | 27 | 11 | 31 |
| 2005 February | 41 | 22 | 24 | 11 | 30 |
| 2005 March | 39 | 20 | 21 | 9 | 27 |
| 2005 April | 39 | 21 | 24 | 8 | 27 |
| 2005 May | 37 | 22 | 25 | 7 | 28 |
| 2005 June | 38 | 22 | 25 | 8 | 25 |
| 2005 July | 40 | 23 | 27 | 10 | 27 |
| 2005 August | 38 | 22 | 26 | 8 | 24 |
| 2005 September | 37 | 22 | 27 | 9 | 22 |
| 2005 October | 38 | 23 | NA | 10 | 22 |
| 2005 November | 39 | 23 | NA | 11 | 19 |

Source: The Conference Board, Inc.



New England City and Town Areas: Nonagricultural Employment

(thousands of jobs, seasonally adjusted)

| | Connecticut | | | | | | Maine | | | |
|----------------|-----------------------------|---------|--------------------------------------|-----------|--------------------|-----------|--------|-----------------|-----------------------------------|--|
| | Bridgeport-Stamford-Norwalk | Danbury | Hartford-West Hartford-East Hartford | New Haven | Norwich-New London | Waterbury | Bangor | Lewiston-Auburn | Portland-South Portland-Biddeford | |
| 2002 Annual | 414.3 | 69.3 | 543.3 | 274.4 | 133.8 | 69.0 | 63.5 | 47.9 | 186.4 | |
| 2003 Annual | 410.4 | 68.4 | 535.4 | 270.0 | 134.0 | 68.5 | 64.3 | 47.8 | 189.1 | |
| 2004 Annual | 409.8 | 68.6 | 537.6 | 271.3 | 134.0 | 68.7 | 65.6 | 48.0 | 193.9 | |
| 2003 November | 408.5 | 68.2 | 533.3 | 270.6 | 133.2 | 68.5 | 64.4 | 47.7 | 190.6 | |
| 2004 November | 409.9 | 68.9 | 539.7 | 271.7 | 134.3 | 68.7 | 65.9 | 48.5 | 197.5 | |
| 2004 December | 409.1 | 68.4 | 538.8 | 269.9 | 134.4 | 68.4 | 65.8 | 48.6 | 198.1 | |
| 2005 January | 409.4 | 68.4 | 538.7 | 273.4 | 134.7 | 68.5 | 64.9 | 48.4 | 198.5 | |
| 2005 February | 409.5 | 68.5 | 539.0 | 272.8 | 134.8 | 68.7 | 65.0 | 48.4 | 198.3 | |
| 2005 March | 410.5 | 68.6 | 539.0 | 269.9 | 134.0 | 68.9 | 64.8 | 48.6 | 197.3 | |
| 2005 April | 410.1 | 68.5 | 542.4 | 270.9 | 135.1 | 69.5 | 65.0 | 48.4 | 197.6 | |
| 2005 May | 409.4 | 68.3 | 541.7 | 269.6 | 134.7 | 69.4 | 64.9 | 48.2 | 196.9 | |
| 2005 June | 409.5 | 68.1 | 541.5 | 268.4 | 136.4 | 69.1 | 64.9 | 48.1 | 196.0 | |
| 2005 July | 414.1 | 69.3 | 546.7 | 273.6 | 137.3 | 69.5 | 65.1 | 48.3 | 197.3 | |
| 2005 August | 413.4 | 69.1 | 544.1 | 272.7 | 136.6 | 69.4 | 65.6 | 48.3 | 198.0 | |
| 2005 September | 413.7 | 68.6 | 540.6 | 270.8 | 135.8 | 69.4 | 64.4 | 48.7 | 198.1 | |
| 2005 October | 413.8 | 68.7 | 542.7 | 272.5 | 135.7 | 69.7 | 65.1 | 49.0 | 198.9 | |
| 2005 November | 412.8 | 68.7 | 542.4 | 272.0 | 134.9 | 69.7 | 65.1 | 49.2 | 199.0 | |

| | Massachusetts | | | | | | New Hampshire | | | |
|----------------|-----------------|-------------------------|------------------------------|-------------|------------|-------------|---------------|------------|------------|-----------------|
| | Barnstable Town | Boston-Cambridge-Quincy | Leominster-Fitchburg-Gardner | New Bedford | Pittsfield | Springfield | Worcester | Manchester | Portsmouth | Rochester-Dover |
| 2002 Annual | 98.1 | 2,461.4 | 52.4 | 65.1 | 36.5 | 298.6 | 242.8 | 95.7 | 51.4 | 51.9 |
| 2003 Annual | 99.7 | 2,406.3 | 51.7 | 62.5 | 36.0 | 294.1 | 242.2 | 97.3 | 53.0 | 53.4 |
| 2004 Annual | 101.1 | 2,399.2 | 51.7 | 63.0 | 36.3 | 294.3 | 243.5 | 99.3 | 54.3 | 54.4 |
| 2003 November | 100.5 | 2,394.3 | 51.3 | 62.5 | 36.2 | 292.5 | 242.3 | 98.7 | 53.9 | 54.9 |
| 2004 November | 102.0 | 2,402.4 | 51.7 | 63.1 | 36.4 | 295.3 | 244.2 | 100.0 | 54.6 | 54.4 |
| 2004 December | 102.1 | 2,401.3 | 51.6 | 62.6 | 36.5 | 294.6 | 244.2 | 99.8 | 54.6 | 54.6 |
| 2005 January | 103.0 | 2,413.4 | 51.9 | 63.2 | 37.2 | 295.8 | 244.5 | 99.9 | 55.3 | 55.4 |
| 2005 February | 102.8 | 2,416.1 | 51.7 | 63.6 | 37.0 | 296.1 | 244.4 | 100.0 | 55.6 | 54.5 |
| 2005 March | 102.8 | 2,414.7 | 52.0 | 63.5 | 36.8 | 295.9 | 243.6 | 99.8 | 55.5 | 54.7 |
| 2005 April | 103.3 | 2,418.3 | 51.7 | 63.5 | 36.8 | 296.4 | 243.7 | 99.7 | 55.1 | 54.4 |
| 2005 May | 101.8 | 2,417.3 | 51.8 | 63.0 | 36.3 | 295.1 | 244.5 | 100.1 | 55.4 | 55.1 |
| 2005 June | 101.4 | 2,417.9 | 51.8 | 63.4 | 36.2 | 294.7 | 245.1 | 100.3 | 55.3 | 55.4 |
| 2005 July | 100.9 | 2,423.8 | 52.7 | 63.8 | 36.3 | 294.9 | 245.7 | 101.2 | 55.3 | 56.0 |
| 2005 August | 101.9 | 2,419.6 | 52.6 | 63.7 | 36.4 | 295.5 | 246.3 | 101.6 | 54.9 | 55.6 |
| 2005 September | 102.4 | 2,422.4 | 52.1 | 63.6 | 36.5 | 295.8 | 246.0 | 102.1 | 56.4 | 55.4 |
| 2005 October | 102.6 | 2,421.9 | 52.4 | 63.3 | 36.7 | 295.9 | 245.9 | 101.0 | 56.1 | 55.5 |
| 2005 November | 103.1 | 2,419.5 | 52.3 | 63.2 | 36.8 | 295.5 | 245.5 | 100.7 | 56.4 | 55.2 |

| | Rhode Island | Vermont | Divisions of Boston-Cambridge-Quincy NECTA | | | | | | |
|----------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|--|-----------------------------|------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------|--------|
| | Providence-Fall River-Warwick | Burlington-South Burlington | Boston-Cambridge-Quincy | Brockton-Bridgewater-Easton | Framingham | Haverhill-North Andover-Amesbury | Lowell-Billerica-Chelmsford | Lynn-Peabody-Salem | Nashua |
| 2002 Annual | 574.1 | 111.8 | 1,692.3 | 90.4 | 152.0 | 77.8 | 119.9 | 103.5 | 122.9 |
| 2003 Annual | 577.5 | 111.5 | 1,647.3 | 88.7 | 148.6 | 75.7 | 117.0 | 102.1 | 126.4 |
| 2004 Annual | 581.3 | 113.3 | 1,637.7 | 88.9 | 150.5 | 75.5 | 117.0 | 101.3 | 129.1 |
| 2003 November | 579.7 | 111.9 | 1,635.1 | 88.9 | 148.3 | 74.6 | 117.3 | 101.7 | 128.5 |
| 2004 November | 582.8 | 114.7 | 1,637.1 | 88.3 | 151.5 | 76.1 | 118.5 | 101.5 | 130.1 |
| 2004 December | 583.3 | 115.0 | 1,635.6 | 88.5 | 151.1 | 75.6 | 118.4 | 101.3 | 130.0 |
| 2005 January | 584.9 | 112.8 | 1,646.8 | 89.1 | 151.5 | 75.8 | 117.7 | 101.7 | 129.5 |
| 2005 February | 585.2 | 114.3 | 1,648.8 | 89.0 | 152.0 | 75.7 | 118.1 | 101.9 | 129.5 |
| 2005 March | 583.4 | 114.0 | 1,647.8 | 88.6 | 151.7 | 75.8 | 118.0 | 102.1 | 129.6 |
| 2005 April | 583.2 | 114.6 | 1,651.8 | 88.9 | 151.6 | 76.0 | 117.9 | 102.2 | 129.8 |
| 2005 May | 584.2 | 114.6 | 1,652.5 | 89.2 | 151.6 | 76.3 | 117.9 | 101.7 | 129.5 |
| 2005 June | 584.2 | 112.9 | 1,653.0 | 89.7 | 152.3 | 76.1 | 117.8 | 101.8 | 130.4 |
| 2005 July | 586.3 | 114.8 | 1,659.7 | 89.9 | 153.1 | 76.1 | 119.3 | 102.3 | 132.2 |
| 2005 August | 585.1 | 113.9 | 1,654.9 | 89.9 | 152.7 | 76.0 | 119.0 | 101.8 | 132.3 |
| 2005 September | 585.3 | 115.0 | 1,648.3 | 89.8 | 153.2 | 76.3 | 119.1 | 101.7 | 131.7 |
| 2005 October | 587.0 | 115.2 | 1,651.2 | 89.2 | 152.9 | 76.5 | 119.3 | 102.1 | 131.9 |
| 2005 November | 588.4 | 115.2 | 1,650.5 | 88.8 | 152.7 | 76.3 | 119.7 | 101.9 | 132.2 |

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics and Federal Reserve Bank of Boston.

New England City and Town Areas: Unemployment Rate

(percent, seasonally adjusted)

Connecticut

Maine

| | Bridgeport-Stamford-Norwalk | Danbury | Hartford-West Hartford-East Hartford | New Haven | Norwich-New London | Waterbury | Bangor | Lewiston-Auburn | Portland-South Portland-Biddeford |
|----------------|-----------------------------|---------|--------------------------------------|-----------|--------------------|-----------|--------|-----------------|-----------------------------------|
| 2002 Annual | 4.3 | 3.5 | 4.6 | 4.1 | 3.8 | 6.5 | 3.8 | 4.3 | 2.9 |
| 2003 Annual | 5.1 | 4.1 | 5.9 | 5.3 | 4.7 | 7.7 | 4.2 | 4.8 | 3.2 |
| 2004 Annual | 4.5 | 3.7 | 5.1 | 4.8 | 4.4 | 6.2 | 4.7 | 4.4 | 3.4 |
| 2003 November | 5.1 | 4.1 | 5.9 | 5.3 | 4.8 | 7.7 | 4.3 | 4.6 | 3.1 |
| 2004 November | 4.1 | 3.6 | 4.8 | 4.5 | 4.1 | 5.8 | 4.8 | 4.4 | 3.4 |
| 2004 December | 3.9 | 3.3 | 4.6 | 4.4 | 4.0 | 5.6 | 4.7 | 4.4 | 3.4 |
| 2005 January | 4.5 | 3.6 | 5.0 | 4.9 | 4.3 | 6.3 | 4.4 | 4.6 | 3.2 |
| 2005 February | 4.5 | 3.7 | 5.1 | 5.0 | 4.4 | 6.4 | 4.6 | 4.9 | 3.4 |
| 2005 March | 4.6 | 3.6 | 5.1 | 5.0 | 4.5 | 6.4 | 4.6 | 4.9 | 3.6 |
| 2005 April | 4.6 | 3.8 | 5.1 | 5.0 | 4.3 | 6.2 | 4.4 | 5.0 | 3.6 |
| 2005 May | 5.0 | 4.2 | 5.6 | 5.4 | 4.7 | 6.6 | 4.9 | 5.4 | 3.9 |
| 2005 June | 4.6 | 3.9 | 5.2 | 5.0 | 4.5 | 6.2 | 4.5 | 4.7 | 3.5 |
| 2005 July | 4.7 | 3.9 | 5.3 | 5.0 | 4.6 | 6.4 | 4.8 | 4.9 | 3.8 |
| 2005 August | 4.9 | 4.1 | 5.5 | 5.4 | 4.9 | 6.9 | 4.7 | 4.9 | 3.7 |
| 2005 September | 4.9 | 4.2 | 5.6 | 5.5 | 5.0 | 7.0 | 5.4 | 5.4 | 4.1 |
| 2005 October | 5.0 | 4.2 | 5.7 | 5.6 | 5.0 | 7.0 | 5.0 | 4.9 | 3.9 |
| 2005 November | 4.7 | 3.9 | 5.3 | 5.2 | 4.8 | 6.6 | 4.9 | 4.7 | 3.8 |

Massachusetts

New Hampshire

| | Barnstable Town | Boston-Cambridge-Quincy | Leominster-Fitchburg-Gardner | New Bedford | Pittsfield | Springfield | Worcester | Manchester | Portsmouth | Rochester-Dover |
|----------------|-----------------|-------------------------|------------------------------|-------------|------------|-------------|-----------|------------|------------|-----------------|
| 2002 Annual | 4.5 | 5.3 | 7.3 | 7.5 | 4.7 | 5.1 | 5.7 | 4.2 | 4.0 | 4.7 |
| 2003 Annual | 5.0 | 5.6 | 7.9 | 8.3 | 5.2 | 6.0 | 6.4 | 4.3 | 4.2 | 4.5 |
| 2004 Annual | 4.7 | 4.9 | 6.4 | 6.8 | 4.6 | 5.5 | 5.3 | 3.5 | 3.5 | 3.4 |
| 2003 November | 5.2 | 5.6 | 8.2 | 8.4 | 5.2 | 6.3 | 6.4 | 4.2 | 4.2 | 4.5 |
| 2004 November | 4.2 | 4.4 | 5.9 | 6.4 | 4.3 | 5.0 | 4.8 | 3.2 | 3.2 | 3.2 |
| 2004 December | 4.0 | 4.3 | 5.9 | 6.3 | 4.2 | 4.9 | 4.8 | 3.2 | 3.2 | 3.2 |
| 2005 January | 4.0 | 4.6 | 6.5 | 6.4 | 4.3 | 5.1 | 5.0 | 3.5 | 3.0 | 3.2 |
| 2005 February | 4.3 | 4.8 | 6.6 | 6.9 | 4.4 | 5.3 | 5.2 | 4.0 | 3.9 | 3.9 |
| 2005 March | 4.2 | 4.7 | 6.6 | 6.9 | 4.3 | 5.2 | 5.1 | 3.7 | 3.7 | 3.6 |
| 2005 April | 4.2 | 4.5 | 6.2 | 6.5 | 4.1 | 5.0 | 4.9 | 3.5 | 3.4 | 3.4 |
| 2005 May | 4.6 | 4.5 | 6.1 | 6.5 | 4.4 | 5.3 | 4.9 | 3.4 | 3.6 | 3.7 |
| 2005 June | 4.7 | 4.4 | 5.9 | 6.3 | 4.4 | 5.2 | 4.6 | 3.3 | 3.1 | 3.4 |
| 2005 July | 4.8 | 4.4 | 6.1 | 6.4 | 4.3 | 5.3 | 4.8 | 3.4 | 3.3 | 3.2 |
| 2005 August | 4.3 | 3.9 | 5.3 | 6.0 | 3.8 | 4.8 | 4.3 | 3.3 | 3.3 | 3.5 |
| 2005 September | 5.1 | 4.5 | 6.0 | 7.0 | 4.4 | 5.5 | 4.9 | 3.7 | 3.8 | 3.9 |
| 2005 October | 5.0 | 4.4 | 6.0 | 7.2 | 4.4 | 5.4 | 4.9 | 3.6 | 3.7 | 3.5 |
| 2005 November | 4.5 | 4.5 | 6.1 | 6.8 | 4.5 | 5.5 | 5.0 | 3.5 | 3.4 | 3.4 |

Rhode Island

Vermont

Divisions of Boston-Cambridge-Quincy NECTA

| | Providence-Fall River-Warwick | Burlington-South Burlington | Boston-Cambridge-Quincy | Brockton-Bridgewater-Easton | Framingham | Haverhill-North Andover-Amesbury | Lawrence-Methuen-Salem | Lowell-Billerica-Chelmsford | Lynn-Peabody-Salem | Taunton-Norton-Raynham | Nashua |
|----------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|------------|----------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------|------------------------|--------|
| 2002 Annual | 5.3 | 3.2 | 4.7 | 5.4 | 4.8 | 6.4 | 10.7 | 6.5 | 5.2 | 5.2 | 6.1 |
| 2003 Annual | 5.7 | 3.6 | 5.1 | 6.1 | 4.8 | 6.7 | 11.2 | 6.9 | 6.0 | 5.9 | 5.8 |
| 2004 Annual | 5.3 | 3.3 | 4.7 | 5.5 | 4.2 | 5.2 | 8.6 | 5.6 | 5.4 | 5.2 | 4.3 |
| 2003 November | 6.1 | 3.4 | 5.1 | 6.3 | 4.6 | 6.7 | 11.5 | 6.6 | 6.0 | 6.3 | 5.6 |
| 2004 November | 4.9 | 2.9 | 4.2 | 5.3 | 3.7 | 4.6 | 7.7 | 5.1 | 5.0 | 4.9 | 3.6 |
| 2004 December | 4.8 | 3.0 | 4.1 | 5.2 | 3.6 | 4.7 | 7.7 | 5.1 | 5.0 | 4.9 | 3.7 |
| 2005 January | 4.7 | 3.2 | 4.4 | 5.3 | 3.8 | 4.9 | 8.2 | 5.5 | 5.1 | 4.8 | 4.1 |
| 2005 February | 4.9 | 3.3 | 4.6 | 5.5 | 4.0 | 5.2 | 8.4 | 5.7 | 5.3 | 5.0 | 4.6 |
| 2005 March | 5.0 | 3.0 | 4.5 | 5.4 | 4.0 | 5.1 | 8.2 | 5.6 | 5.2 | 5.0 | 4.4 |
| 2005 April | 5.0 | 3.0 | 4.3 | 5.2 | 3.9 | 4.6 | 7.5 | 5.1 | 4.9 | 4.6 | 4.0 |
| 2005 May | 4.5 | 2.9 | 4.3 | 5.1 | 3.9 | 4.6 | 7.4 | 5.1 | 4.9 | 4.7 | 4.0 |
| 2005 June | 5.1 | 3.4 | 4.2 | 4.9 | 3.8 | 4.4 | 7.1 | 4.8 | 4.7 | 4.6 | 3.7 |
| 2005 July | 5.4 | 3.3 | 4.2 | 5.1 | 3.9 | 4.4 | 7.6 | 4.9 | 4.8 | 4.7 | 3.9 |
| 2005 August | 5.4 | 2.9 | 3.7 | 4.5 | 3.4 | 4.1 | 6.6 | 4.4 | 4.2 | 4.2 | 3.7 |
| 2005 September | 6.4 | 3.4 | 4.3 | 5.3 | 3.9 | 4.7 | 7.6 | 4.9 | 5.0 | 5.2 | 4.1 |
| 2005 October | 5.4 | 3.6 | 4.2 | 5.3 | 3.8 | 4.7 | 7.4 | 4.9 | 4.9 | 5.0 | 4.0 |
| 2005 November | 5.3 | 3.2 | 4.3 | 5.4 | 3.9 | 4.8 | 7.2 | 5.0 | 5.1 | 5.2 | 3.9 |

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics and Federal Reserve Bank of Boston.

Average Weekly Hours (manufacturing production workers, not seasonally adjusted)

| | United States | New England | CT | ME | MA | NH | RI | VT |
|----------------|---------------|-------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| 2002 Annual | 40.5 | 40.6 | 41.6 | 39.9 | 40.8 | 39.8 | 38.7 | 40.0 |
| 2003 Annual | 40.4 | 40.6 | 41.5 | 40.1 | 40.6 | 40.0 | 39.2 | 40.0 |
| 2004 Annual | 40.8 | 40.9 | 41.8 | 39.6 | 41.1 | 40.0 | 39.2 | 40.2 |
| 2003 November | 41.2 | 41.1 | 42.3 | 40.1 | 40.9 | 40.5 | 40.1 | 40.2 |
| 2004 November | 40.8 | 41.3 | 42.4 | 39.6 | 41.7 | 40.4 | 38.8 | 40.2 |
| 2004 December | 41.2 | 41.5 | 42.6 | 40.7 | 41.9 | 40.3 | 38.9 | 40.3 |
| 2005 January | 40.6 | 40.7 | 42.0 | 38.9 | 41.0 | 39.9 | 37.9 | 40.4 |
| 2005 February | 40.4 | 40.7 | 41.9 | 38.1 | 41.2 | 40.3 | 37.9 | 40.3 |
| 2005 March | 40.4 | 40.9 | 42.0 | 38.3 | 41.6 | 40.1 | 37.9 | 39.5 |
| 2005 April | 40.3 | 41.0 | 42.3 | 39.5 | 41.4 | 40.3 | 38.4 | 39.3 |
| 2005 May | 40.4 | 41.1 | 42.2 | 40.0 | 41.6 | 40.3 | 38.7 | 38.7 |
| 2005 June | 40.5 | 41.2 | 42.5 | 39.8 | 41.5 | 40.8 | 38.9 | 38.6 |
| 2005 July | 39.9 | 40.8 | 42.1 | 39.0 | 41.2 | 40.1 | 38.6 | 38.3 |
| 2005 August | 40.6 | 41.0 | 41.8 | 39.3 | 41.8 | 40.2 | 38.3 | 38.7 |
| 2005 September | 41.1 | 41.6 | 42.0 | 40.4 | 42.4 | 41.0 | 39.3 | 38.8 |
| 2005 October | 41.2 | 41.4 | 42.0 | 41.3 | 41.8 | 41.8 | 38.6 | 38.9 |
| 2005 November | 41.1 | 41.3 | 42.3 | 40.3 | 41.5 | 42.4 | 38.0 | 38.8 |

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics and Federal Reserve Bank of Boston.

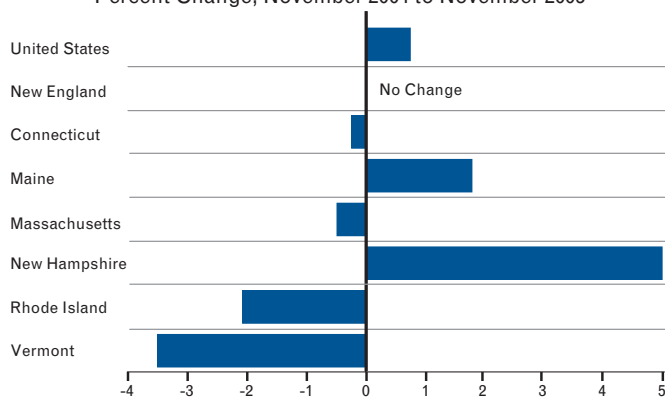
Average Hourly Earnings (manufacturing production workers, dollars, not seasonally adjusted)

| | United States | New England | CT | ME | MA | NH | RI | VT |
|----------------|---------------|-------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| 2002 Annual | 15.29 | 15.87 | 17.24 | 15.55 | 16.25 | 14.21 | 12.75 | 14.34 |
| 2003 Annual | 15.74 | 16.27 | 17.75 | 16.28 | 16.54 | 14.85 | 12.88 | 14.54 |
| 2004 Annual | 16.14 | 16.72 | 18.35 | 16.96 | 16.89 | 15.48 | 13.03 | 14.60 |
| 2003 November | 15.92 | 16.43 | 17.93 | 16.59 | 16.70 | 14.89 | 13.01 | 14.57 |
| 2004 November | 16.32 | 17.05 | 18.77 | 16.58 | 17.48 | 15.53 | 13.08 | 14.60 |
| 2004 December | 16.46 | 17.09 | 18.90 | 17.04 | 17.38 | 15.54 | 13.12 | 14.61 |
| 2005 January | 16.42 | 17.15 | 18.85 | 16.94 | 17.55 | 15.61 | 13.05 | 14.62 |
| 2005 February | 16.43 | 17.13 | 18.81 | 17.21 | 17.48 | 15.60 | 13.00 | 14.68 |
| 2005 March | 16.41 | 17.18 | 18.92 | 16.78 | 17.53 | 15.80 | 12.99 | 14.87 |
| 2005 April | 16.45 | 17.14 | 18.67 | 17.05 | 17.51 | 15.86 | 13.04 | 14.93 |
| 2005 May | 16.50 | 17.20 | 18.69 | 16.93 | 17.68 | 15.76 | 13.00 | 15.00 |
| 2005 June | 16.52 | 17.16 | 18.68 | 17.11 | 17.56 | 15.76 | 13.06 | 15.07 |
| 2005 July | 16.49 | 17.35 | 18.76 | 17.57 | 17.72 | 16.06 | 13.11 | 15.13 |
| 2005 August | 16.60 | 17.38 | 18.92 | 17.60 | 17.74 | 15.97 | 13.15 | 15.16 |
| 2005 September | 16.65 | 17.44 | 19.21 | 17.59 | 17.69 | 16.02 | 13.20 | 15.19 |
| 2005 October | 16.70 | 17.46 | 19.18 | 17.49 | 17.75 | 16.01 | 13.23 | 15.29 |
| 2005 November | 16.73 | 17.48 | 19.29 | 17.42 | 17.74 | 16.03 | 13.30 | 15.21 |

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics and Federal Reserve Bank of Boston.

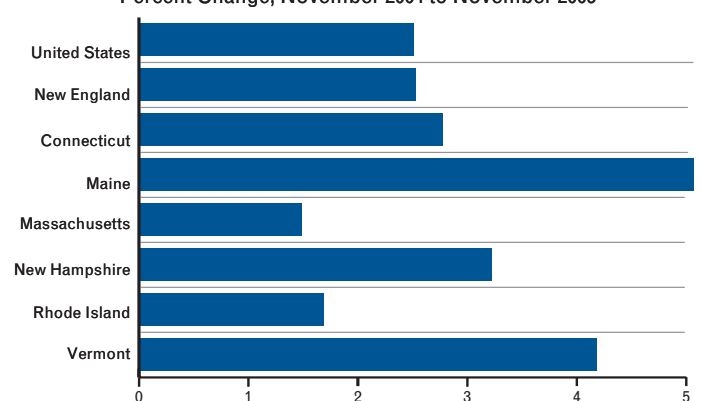
Average Weekly Hours

Manufacturing Production Workers
Percent Change, November 2004 to November 2005



Average Hourly Earnings

Manufacturing Production Workers
Percent Change, November 2004 to November 2005



Total Personal Income (by place of residence, millions of dollars, seasonally adjusted annual rate)

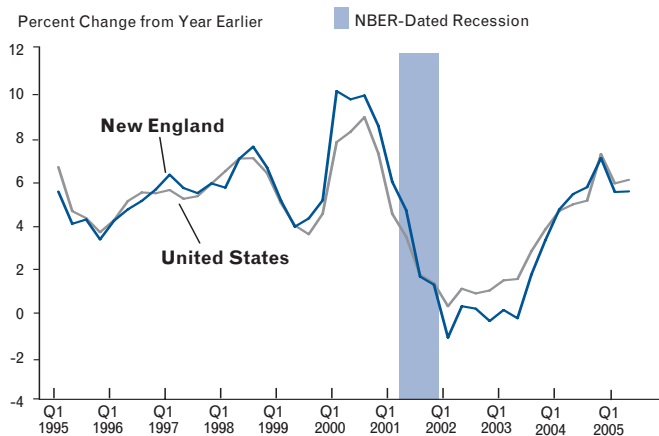
| | United States | New England | CT | ME | MA | NH | RI | VT |
|------------------|---------------|-------------|---------|--------|---------|--------|--------|--------|
| 2002 Annual | 8,872,185 | 528,656 | 147,082 | 36,266 | 249,917 | 43,748 | 33,433 | 18,211 |
| 2003 Annual | 9,156,108 | 539,988 | 149,276 | 37,251 | 255,376 | 44,521 | 34,921 | 18,644 |
| 2004 Annual | 9,702,525 | 573,379 | 159,435 | 39,482 | 270,145 | 47,661 | 36,936 | 19,721 |
| 2003 Quarter II | 9,105,459 | 536,183 | 148,714 | 36,915 | 253,277 | 44,197 | 34,599 | 18,481 |
| 2004 Quarter II | 9,604,015 | 567,799 | 157,012 | 39,141 | 268,336 | 47,115 | 36,612 | 19,582 |
| 2004 Quarter III | 9,719,654 | 575,901 | 160,047 | 39,620 | 271,187 | 47,994 | 37,174 | 19,879 |
| 2004 Quarter IV | 10,015,057 | 589,731 | 164,587 | 40,612 | 277,174 | 49,193 | 37,890 | 20,275 |
| 2005 Quarter I | 10,071,063 | 593,572 | 166,079 | 40,689 | 278,770 | 49,401 | 38,202 | 20,432 |
| 2005 Quarter II | 10,225,957 | 601,884 | 168,524 | 41,218 | 282,550 | 50,149 | 38,721 | 20,721 |

Wage and Salary Disbursements* (by place of work, millions of dollars, seasonally adjusted annual rate)

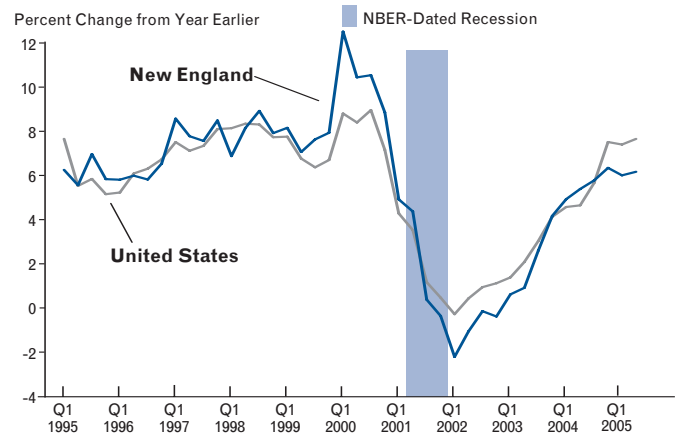
| | United States | New England | CT | ME | MA | NH | RI | VT |
|------------------|---------------|-------------|--------|--------|---------|--------|--------|--------|
| 2002 Annual | 4,973,266 | 298,446 | 80,321 | 18,540 | 150,082 | 22,706 | 17,186 | 9,612 |
| 2003 Annual | 5,105,689 | 304,736 | 81,824 | 19,250 | 151,998 | 23,557 | 18,157 | 9,951 |
| 2004 Annual | 5,383,759 | 321,340 | 86,577 | 20,192 | 160,157 | 25,064 | 18,892 | 10,460 |
| 2003 Quarter II | 5,081,956 | 302,415 | 81,664 | 19,063 | 150,456 | 23,419 | 17,964 | 9,850 |
| 2004 Quarter II | 5,312,536 | 318,243 | 84,990 | 19,997 | 159,469 | 24,662 | 18,734 | 10,391 |
| 2004 Quarter III | 5,416,272 | 323,628 | 87,162 | 20,298 | 161,118 | 25,370 | 19,060 | 10,621 |
| 2004 Quarter IV | 5,557,196 | 328,718 | 89,047 | 20,703 | 163,152 | 25,898 | 19,214 | 10,704 |
| 2005 Quarter I | 5,623,603 | 333,090 | 90,852 | 20,703 | 165,151 | 26,134 | 19,423 | 10,826 |
| 2005 Quarter II | 5,704,298 | 337,242 | 92,018 | 20,922 | 167,166 | 26,529 | 19,619 | 10,988 |

* Wage and salary disbursements are a component of total personal income.
Source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis.

Personal Income



Wage and Salary Disbursements



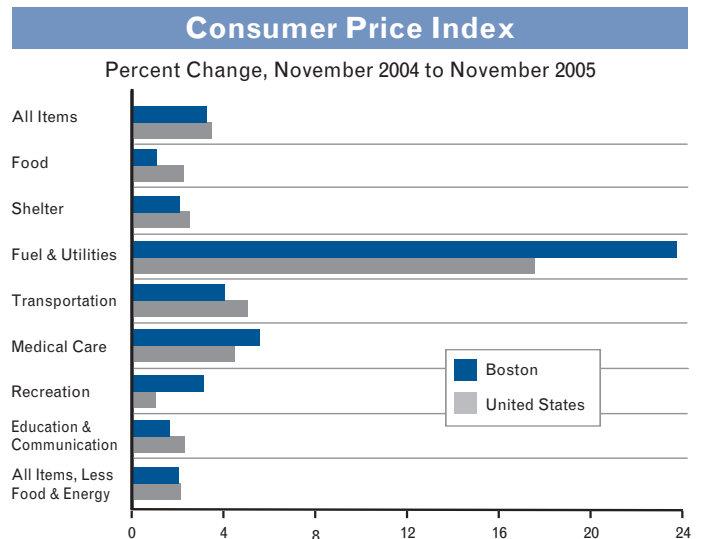
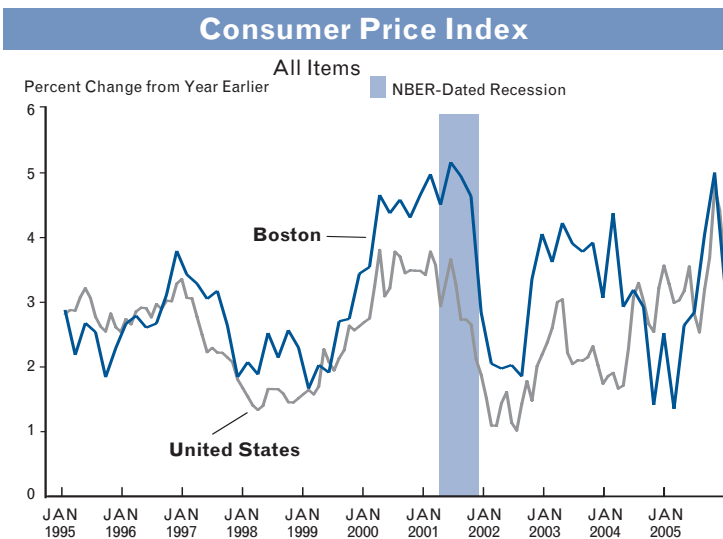
Consumer Price Index (index, 1982-1984 = 100, except the Recreation and Education & Communication categories, where December 1997 = 100, not seasonally adjusted)

| United States | All Items | Food | Shelter | Fuel & Utilities | Transportation | Medical Care | Recreation | Education & Communication | All Items, Less Food & Energy |
|----------------|-----------|-------|---------|------------------|----------------|--------------|------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 2002 Annual | 179.9 | 176.2 | 208.1 | 143.6 | 152.9 | 285.6 | 106.2 | 107.9 | 190.5 |
| 2003 Annual | 184.0 | 180.0 | 213.1 | 154.5 | 157.6 | 297.1 | 107.5 | 109.8 | 193.2 |
| 2004 Annual | 188.9 | 186.2 | 218.8 | 161.9 | 163.1 | 310.1 | 108.6 | 111.6 | 196.6 |
| 2003 November | 184.5 | 182.4 | 214.2 | 152.9 | 155.7 | 300.8 | 107.8 | 110.8 | 193.9 |
| 2004 November | 191.0 | 188.2 | 219.9 | 165.6 | 167.2 | 314.1 | 108.7 | 112.7 | 198.1 |
| 2004 December | 190.3 | 188.5 | 219.8 | 165.7 | 164.8 | 314.9 | 108.5 | 112.6 | 197.8 |
| 2005 January | 190.7 | 189.1 | 221.0 | 166.9 | 164.0 | 316.8 | 108.9 | 112.7 | 198.4 |
| 2005 February | 191.8 | 188.8 | 222.5 | 166.4 | 166.1 | 319.3 | 109.0 | 112.8 | 199.5 |
| 2005 March | 193.3 | 189.1 | 224.4 | 166.7 | 168.8 | 320.7 | 109.0 | 112.7 | 200.7 |
| 2005 April | 194.6 | 190.2 | 224.4 | 169.6 | 173.2 | 321.5 | 109.2 | 112.9 | 200.9 |
| 2005 May | 194.4 | 190.6 | 224.0 | 171.7 | 172.1 | 322.2 | 109.5 | 112.7 | 200.8 |
| 2005 June | 194.5 | 190.4 | 224.5 | 177.4 | 171.8 | 322.9 | 109.1 | 112.8 | 200.6 |
| 2005 July | 195.4 | 190.8 | 225.6 | 180.1 | 174.4 | 324.1 | 109.1 | 112.9 | 200.8 |
| 2005 August | 196.4 | 190.9 | 225.6 | 181.8 | 177.7 | 323.9 | 109.3 | 113.7 | 201.0 |
| 2005 September | 198.8 | 191.4 | 224.4 | 188.9 | 186.5 | 324.6 | 109.7 | 115.3 | 201.3 |
| 2005 October | 199.2 | 192.1 | 225.7 | 192.8 | 184.0 | 326.2 | 109.9 | 115.1 | 202.3 |
| 2005 November | 197.6 | 192.4 | 225.4 | 194.6 | 175.6 | 328.1 | 109.8 | 115.3 | 202.3 |

Boston*

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|----------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| 2002 Annual | 196.3 | 185.5 | 241.1 | 133.9 | 149.7 | 382.8 | 106.8 | 106.8 | 213.0 |
| 2003 Annual | 203.5 | 189.2 | 250.6 | 154.4 | 154.0 | 397.1 | 111.1 | 110.2 | 219.4 |
| 2004 Annual | 209.4 | 195.5 | 259.2 | 165.4 | 159.1 | 415.7 | 108.5 | 114.9 | 224.1 |
| 2003 November | 206.5 | 191.6 | 256.6 | 155.9 | 153.6 | 405.3 | 110.6 | 111.1 | 222.8 |
| 2004 November | 211.7 | 198.8 | 257.3 | 180.5 | 164.4 | 423.5 | 108.8 | 116.9 | 224.6 |
| 2005 January | 211.3 | 200.3 | 258.5 | 179.3 | 161.6 | 430.4 | 108.3 | 116.1 | 224.9 |
| 2005 March | 214.2 | 200.0 | 260.5 | 189.7 | 164.4 | 433.7 | 110.2 | 117.0 | 227.5 |
| 2005 May | 214.6 | 201.4 | 259.6 | 178.3 | 169.0 | 435.0 | 111.5 | 117.1 | 227.4 |
| 2005 July | 217.2 | 200.0 | 266.7 | 187.4 | 171.4 | 435.8 | 111.4 | 116.4 | 229.8 |
| 2005 September | 220.1 | 201.3 | 259.3 | 204.7 | 189.5 | 438.8 | 112.9 | 119.0 | 227.9 |
| 2005 November | 218.6 | 200.9 | 262.6 | 223.3 | 171.0 | 447.0 | 112.2 | 118.8 | 229.1 |

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Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

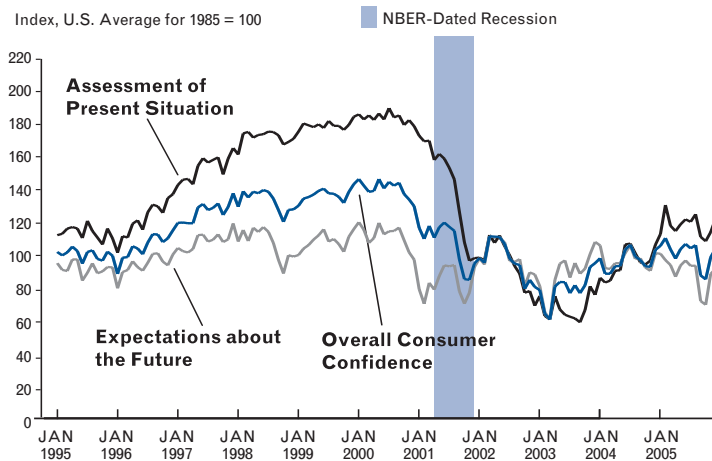


Consumer Confidence Index (index, U.S. average for 1985 = 100, not seasonally adjusted except for United States)

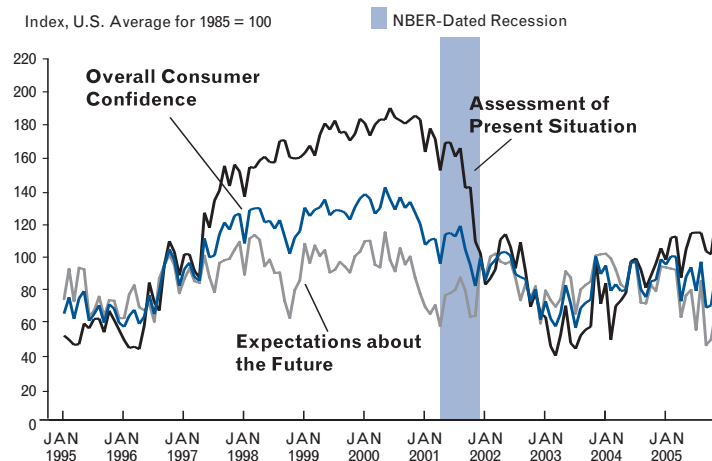
| | Overall Consumer Confidence | | | Assessment of Present Situation | | | Expectations about the Future | | |
|----------------|-----------------------------|-------------|----|---------------------------------|-------------|----|-------------------------------|-------------|-----|
| | United States | New England | MA | United States | New England | MA | United States | New England | MA |
| 2003 Annual | 79.8 | 74.3 | 75 | 68.0 | 58.3 | 34 | 87.7 | 85.0 | 102 |
| 2004 Annual | 96.1 | 89.0 | 92 | 94.9 | 87.0 | 58 | 96.9 | 90.3 | 115 |
| 2005 Annual | 100.7 | 90.0 | 88 | 117.2 | 112.9 | 73 | 89.7 | 74.8 | 99 |
| 2003 December | 94.8 | 92.5 | — | 76.0 | 72.7 | — | 107.4 | 105.7 | — |
| 2004 December | 102.7 | 102.4 | — | 105.7 | 109.7 | — | 100.7 | 97.6 | — |
| 2005 January | 105.1 | 98.9 | 96 | 112.1 | 101.9 | 70 | 100.4 | 96.9 | 114 |
| 2005 February | 109.7 | 104.4 | — | 129.3 | 116.8 | — | 96.6 | 96.1 | — |
| 2005 March | 103.0 | 104.2 | — | 117.0 | 117.6 | — | 93.7 | 95.4 | — |
| 2005 April | 97.5 | 74.4 | 78 | 113.8 | 90.2 | 63 | 86.7 | 63.9 | 88 |
| 2005 May | 103.1 | 90.6 | — | 117.8 | 108.9 | — | 93.4 | 78.4 | — |
| 2005 June | 106.2 | 97.1 | — | 120.8 | 119.8 | — | 96.4 | 81.9 | — |
| 2005 July | 103.6 | 81.3 | 91 | 119.3 | 120.2 | 80 | 93.2 | 55.4 | 99 |
| 2005 August | 105.5 | 100.7 | — | 123.8 | 120.1 | — | 93.3 | 87.8 | — |
| 2005 September | 87.5 | 70.1 | — | 110.4 | 107.7 | — | 72.3 | 45.1 | — |
| 2005 October | 85.2 | 71.6 | 88 | 107.8 | 105.7 | 80 | 70.1 | 48.9 | 95 |
| 2005 November | 98.3 | 94.0 | — | 113.2 | 130.6 | — | 88.4 | 69.6 | — |
| 2005 December | 103.6 | 92.8 | — | 121.5 | 115.5 | — | 91.6 | 77.7 | — |

Source: United States and New England: The Conference Board, Inc. Massachusetts: Mass Insight/MassDevelopment Project. Consumer confidence data for New England are collected by the Conference Board in conjunction with the Conference Board's overall U.S. confidence series, and are evaluated on the same basis. Statistics for both the United States and New England are indexed to the U.S. average for 1985. Mass Insight adjusts the Massachusetts figures to be generally comparable to the Conference Board figures. Consumers' assessments of their present situation and expectations about the future are components of the overall consumer confidence index.

Consumer Confidence – United States



Consumer Confidence – New England



Conventional Mortgage Home Price Index (index, 1987:Q1=100, not seasonally adjusted)

| | United States | New England | CT | ME | MA | NH | RI | VT |
|------------------|---------------|-------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| 2002 Annual | 199.87 | 180.02 | 152.90 | 189.03 | 189.06 | 159.01 | 188.19 | 183.19 |
| 2003 Annual | 213.32 | 197.67 | 166.21 | 206.88 | 207.56 | 173.68 | 215.99 | 195.99 |
| 2004 Annual | 237.06 | 223.54 | 188.24 | 235.40 | 232.49 | 193.95 | 258.61 | 222.98 |
| 2004 Quarter III | 213.55 | 197.99 | 166.87 | 208.16 | 207.56 | 174.31 | 216.87 | 196.06 |
| 2004 Quarter III | 242.46 | 230.02 | 194.31 | 241.68 | 238.74 | 198.52 | 269.48 | 232.11 |
| 2004 Quarter IV | 248.53 | 234.66 | 197.75 | 247.33 | 242.89 | 203.18 | 275.72 | 235.12 |
| 2005 Quarter I | 254.81 | 240.30 | 203.21 | 254.54 | 248.24 | 207.95 | 281.88 | 240.96 |
| 2005 Quarter II | 264.02 | 247.59 | 210.36 | 262.16 | 254.25 | 213.46 | 293.64 | 251.11 |
| 2005 Quarter III | 271.79 | 252.28 | 215.63 | 268.45 | 257.62 | 217.28 | 300.34 | 259.71 |

Connecticut

| | Connecticut | | | | Maine | | |
|------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|--------|-----------------|-----------------------------------|
| | Bridgeport-Stamford-Norwalk | Hartford-West Hartford-East Hartford | New Haven-Milford | Norwich-New London | Bangor | Lewiston-Auburn | Portland-South Portland-Biddeford |
| 2002 Annual | 152.65 | 153.02 | 136.84 | 158.99 | 179.21 | 181.50 | 189.45 |
| 2003 Annual | 165.42 | 165.35 | 149.88 | 173.98 | 192.91 | 196.29 | 208.14 |
| 2004 Annual | 187.50 | 185.90 | 170.28 | 198.53 | 214.04 | 221.51 | 236.99 |
| 2003 Quarter III | 165.88 | 166.08 | 150.74 | 174.32 | 194.08 | 199.25 | 209.54 |
| 2004 Quarter III | 194.84 | 190.49 | 175.87 | 206.33 | 219.51 | 226.86 | 244.20 |
| 2004 Quarter IV | 197.30 | 195.17 | 178.82 | 207.97 | 222.62 | 232.61 | 248.42 |
| 2005 Quarter I | 202.86 | 198.67 | 184.37 | 216.98 | 230.90 | 240.81 | 255.96 |
| 2005 Quarter II | 210.58 | 205.34 | 190.05 | 224.41 | 237.80 | 249.00 | 263.43 |
| 2005 Quarter III | 214.84 | 210.42 | 196.69 | 230.10 | 244.28 | 257.54 | 269.38 |

Massachusetts

| | Massachusetts | | | | New Hampshire | | Rhode Island |
|------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|------------|-------------|---------------|-------------------|-----------------------------------|
| | Barnstable-Town | Boston-Cambridge-Quincy | Pittsfield | Springfield | Worcester | Manchester-Nashua | Providence-New Bedford-Fall River |
| 2002 Annual | 181.43 | 193.09 | 139.69 | 155.14 | 171.87 | 156.27 | 187.48 |
| 2003 Annual | 204.53 | 210.86 | 152.07 | 169.82 | 189.97 | 170.73 | 214.32 |
| 2004 Annual | 237.56 | 234.37 | 169.74 | 193.92 | 213.27 | 190.27 | 253.44 |
| 2003 Quarter III | 203.95 | 210.85 | 153.06 | 170.97 | 190.24 | 171.24 | 215.10 |
| 2004 Quarter III | 243.06 | 240.70 | 171.28 | 199.43 | 218.32 | 195.03 | 263.03 |
| 2004 Quarter IV | 249.57 | 244.42 | 179.62 | 204.52 | 223.02 | 199.19 | 269.02 |
| 2005 Quarter I | 256.21 | 249.61 | 180.25 | 209.97 | 227.56 | 203.56 | 274.83 |
| 2005 Quarter II | 261.55 | 255.62 | 186.11 | 216.79 | 233.15 | 208.51 | 285.35 |
| 2005 Quarter III | 264.42 | 258.21 | 192.94 | 222.03 | 237.16 | 212.07 | 290.90 |

Vermont

Divisions of Boston-Cambridge-Quincy Metro Area

| | Divisions of Boston-Cambridge-Quincy Metro Area | | | | |
|------------------|---|---------------|-----------------------------|--------------|------------------------------------|
| | Burlington-South Burlington | Boston-Quincy | Cambridge-Newton-Framingham | Essex County | Rockingham County-Strafford County |
| 2002 Annual | 186.64 | 197.09 | 196.01 | 187.45 | 165.91 |
| 2003 Annual | 198.32 | 218.33 | 210.52 | 204.63 | 180.58 |
| 2004 Annual | 225.24 | 245.23 | 231.44 | 226.47 | 200.09 |
| 2003 Quarter III | 198.34 | 218.06 | 210.44 | 204.82 | 181.31 |
| 2004 Quarter III | 234.87 | 252.06 | 237.61 | 232.63 | 204.60 |
| 2004 Quarter IV | 237.72 | 256.17 | 240.71 | 234.93 | 209.21 |
| 2005 Quarter I | 241.87 | 261.59 | 245.08 | 241.43 | 213.70 |
| 2005 Quarter II | 252.39 | 267.20 | 251.91 | 245.39 | 220.00 |
| 2005 Quarter III | 261.06 | 269.13 | 255.03 | 248.59 | 222.28 |

Source: Freddie Mac. Data are based on a sample of single-family homes financed by conventional mortgages. The metropolitan areas covered by the conventional mortgage home price index now reflect the new areas defined by the U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB). For the New England area, the most notable changes include expanded coverage to include two metro areas in Maine, which was not represented at all previously; consolidation of areas in Connecticut and Massachusetts into fewer, but larger areas; and inclusion of four divisions of the large Boston-Cambridge-Quincy area.

Existing-Home Sales (single-family, condominium, and cooperative, thousands of units, seasonally adjusted annual rate)

| | United States | New England | CT | ME | MA | NH | RI | VT |
|------------------|---------------|-------------|------|------|-------|------|------|------|
| 2002 Annual | 6,421 | 244.5 | 51.5 | 38.7 | 91.9 | 38.8 | 19.7 | 7.3 |
| 2003 Annual | 6,994 | 275.6 | 52.2 | 40.7 | 97.0 | 41.9 | 20.2 | 8.2 |
| 2004 Annual | 6,723 | 305.3 | 72.0 | 33.3 | 140.3 | 26.4 | 19.2 | 14.3 |
| 2003 Quarter III | 7,361 | NA | 58.9 | 43.4 | 102.4 | NA | 21.3 | NA |
| 2004 Quarter III | 6,797 | 326.1 | 77.1 | 33.6 | 146.3 | 35.2 | 19.5 | 14.4 |
| 2004 Quarter IV | 6,877 | 320.5 | 72.5 | 33.4 | 149.8 | 31.1 | 19.4 | 14.3 |
| 2005 Quarter I | 6,837 | NA | 75.8 | 34.3 | 140.9 | NA | 19.3 | — |
| 2005 Quarter II | 7,223 | NA | 83.4 | 33.6 | 142.8 | NA | 19.8 | 16.5 |
| 2005 Quarter III | 7,237 | NA | 83.5 | 35.3 | 162.7 | NA | 20.8 | NA |

Source: National Association of Realtors.

Median Sales Price of Existing Homes (single-family, dollars, not seasonally adjusted)

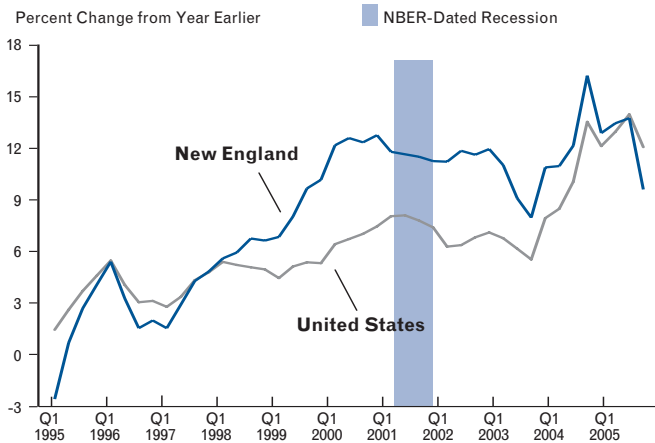
| | United States | Connecticut | | | Maine | |
|------------------|---------------|---------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------------|
| | | Bridgeport-Stamford | Hartford-West Hartford-East Hartford | New Haven-Milford | Norwich-New London | Portland-South Portland-Biddeford |
| 2002 Annual | 157,575 | 376,250 | 180,500 | 191,425 | 173,950 | 172,075 |
| 2003 Annual | 169,075 | 417,950 | 206,300 | 223,875 | 184,275 | 193,050 |
| 2004 Annual | 182,825 | 437,425 | 229,875 | 249,225 | 228,925 | 224,800 |
| 2003 Quarter III | 175,000 | 444,200 | 217,500 | 229,400 | 214,600 | 204,500 |
| 2004 Quarter III | 188,200 | 444,900 | 239,800 | 260,500 | 235,400 | 233,500 |
| 2004 Quarter IV | 187,500 | 434,700 | 237,500 | 264,600 | 235,600 | 227,300 |
| 2005 Quarter I | 188,300 | 455,500 | 244,500 | 244,500 | 243,000 | 236,000 |
| 2005 Quarter II | 207,900 | 487,300 | 252,200 | 278,700 | 246,800 | 247,200 |
| 2005 Quarter III | 215,900 | 476,900 | 259,500 | 291,900 | 261,100 | 249,100 |

| | Massachusetts | | | | Rhode Island | |
|------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|------------|-------------|--------------|-----------------------------------|
| | Barnstable Town | Boston-Cambridge-Quincy | Pittsfield | Springfield | Worcester | Providence-Fall River-New Bedford |
| 2002 Annual | 277,425 | 331,925 | 147,575 | 146,100 | 223,600 | 202,075 |
| 2003 Annual | 328,500 | 356,300 | 162,575 | 160,700 | 250,850 | 241,050 |
| 2004 Annual | 375,550 | 387,275 | 193,525 | 179,500 | 274,025 | 274,575 |
| 2003 Quarter III | 342,500 | 366,900 | 184,600 | 169,400 | 263,200 | 250,800 |
| 2004 Quarter III | 382,900 | 407,200 | 196,500 | 187,300 | 284,000 | 289,400 |
| 2004 Quarter IV | 395,500 | 390,500 | 204,000 | 187,700 | 276,500 | 285,000 |
| 2005 Quarter I | 388,800 | 396,200 | 212,500 | 188,500 | 279,300 | 278,500 |
| 2005 Quarter II | 398,600 | 418,500 | 211,800 | 197,900 | 292,300 | 291,600 |
| 2005 Quarter III | 398,500 | 430,900 | 196,300 | 217,600 | 296,600 | 305,100 |

Source: National Association of Realtors.

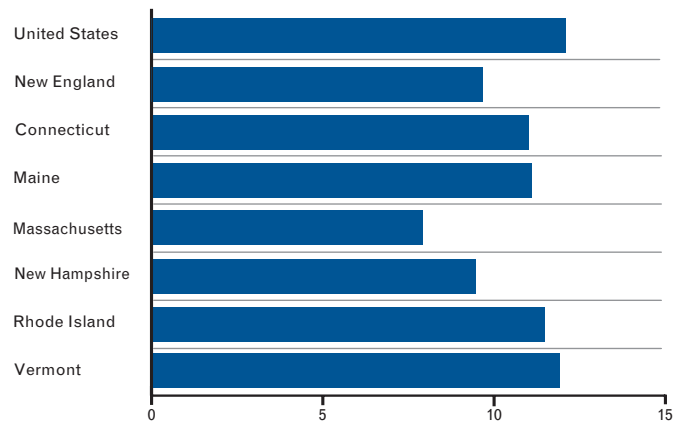
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Conventional Mortgage Home Price Index



Conventional Mortgage Home Price Index

Percent Change, Third Quarter 2004 to Third Quarter 2005



Housing Permits Authorized (housing units, seasonally adjusted)

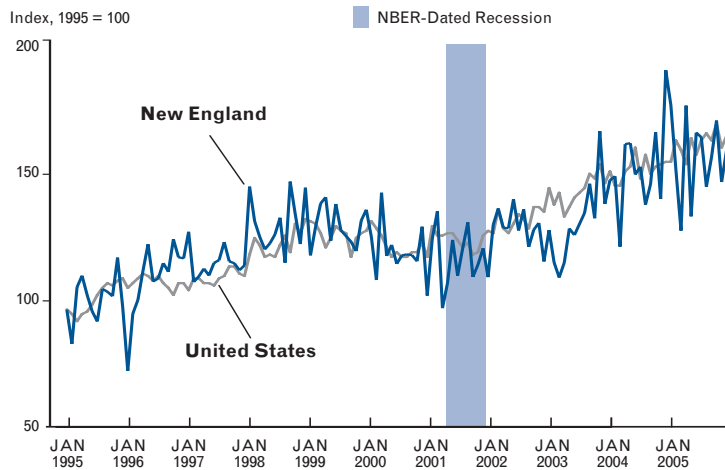
| Total Permits | United States | New England | CT | ME | MA | NH | RI | VT |
|----------------|---------------|-------------|-------|-----|-------|-----|-----|-----|
| 2002 Annual | 146,000 | 3,939 | 810 | 578 | 1,424 | 667 | 216 | 244 |
| 2003 Annual | 158,000 | 4,035 | 839 | 585 | 1,532 | 642 | 204 | 233 |
| 2004 Annual | 166,000 | 4,691 | 995 | 720 | 1,767 | 714 | 211 | 283 |
| 2003 November | 160,000 | 4,205 | 846 | 622 | 1,685 | 580 | 232 | 239 |
| 2004 November | 169,000 | 5,767 | 1,629 | 941 | 1,942 | 758 | 207 | 289 |
| 2004 December | 169,000 | 5,356 | 1,032 | 824 | 2,456 | 598 | 189 | 258 |
| 2005 January | 178,000 | 4,602 | 818 | 669 | 2,070 | 710 | 150 | 185 |
| 2005 February | 174,000 | 3,893 | 891 | 732 | 1,359 | 490 | 193 | 228 |
| 2005 March | 168,000 | 5,353 | 962 | 772 | 2,471 | 721 | 213 | 213 |
| 2005 April | 179,000 | 4,059 | 800 | 658 | 1,613 | 586 | 174 | 228 |
| 2005 May | 172,000 | 5,037 | 1,065 | 689 | 2,062 | 682 | 194 | 345 |
| 2005 June | 178,000 | 4,984 | 919 | 727 | 2,208 | 614 | 257 | 259 |
| 2005 July | 181,000 | 4,406 | 820 | 613 | 1,944 | 549 | 251 | 229 |
| 2005 August | 178,000 | 4,746 | 1,032 | 839 | 1,653 | 731 | 181 | 310 |
| 2005 September | 185,000 | 5,177 | 1,108 | 868 | 1,889 | 707 | 302 | 303 |
| 2005 October | 175,000 | 4,460 | 726 | 698 | 1,986 | 678 | 152 | 220 |
| 2005 November | 180,000 | 4,843 | 1,273 | 818 | 1,758 | 620 | 218 | 156 |

Single Unit Permits

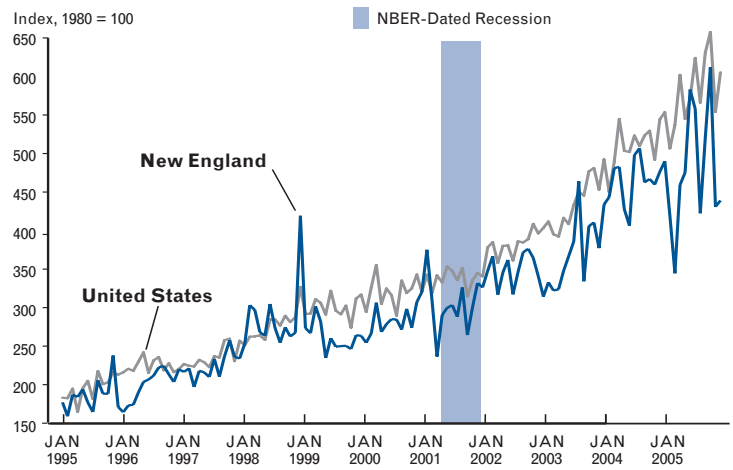
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|----------------|---------|-------|-------|-----|-------|-----|-----|-----|
| 2002 Annual | 111,000 | 3,257 | 720 | 506 | 1,113 | 543 | 184 | 191 |
| 2003 Annual | 122,000 | 3,099 | 663 | 532 | 1,039 | 500 | 164 | 201 |
| 2004 Annual | 129,000 | 3,482 | 760 | 654 | 1,145 | 542 | 163 | 218 |
| 2003 November | 125,000 | 3,074 | 670 | 536 | 1,031 | 465 | 183 | 189 |
| 2004 November | 129,000 | 3,961 | 1,092 | 793 | 1,129 | 581 | 145 | 222 |
| 2004 December | 131,000 | 3,602 | 700 | 800 | 1,123 | 598 | 144 | 236 |
| 2005 January | 136,000 | 3,244 | 671 | 617 | 1,130 | 533 | 127 | 166 |
| 2005 February | 135,000 | 3,325 | 779 | 733 | 1,007 | 461 | 161 | 183 |
| 2005 March | 179,000 | 3,402 | 669 | 648 | 1,219 | 530 | 137 | 200 |
| 2005 April | 137,000 | 2,972 | 599 | 573 | 1,005 | 455 | 151 | 189 |
| 2005 May | 136,000 | 3,755 | 902 | 635 | 1,139 | 631 | 153 | 295 |
| 2005 June | 138,000 | 3,608 | 814 | 654 | 1,253 | 488 | 188 | 211 |
| 2005 July | 141,000 | 3,179 | 673 | 591 | 1,110 | 437 | 168 | 200 |
| 2005 August | 140,000 | 4,005 | 794 | 771 | 1,383 | 638 | 152 | 267 |
| 2005 September | 147,000 | 3,779 | 787 | 746 | 1,261 | 589 | 157 | 240 |
| 2005 October | 142,000 | 3,238 | 506 | 595 | 1,350 | 451 | 137 | 199 |
| 2005 November | 144,000 | 3,294 | 677 | 708 | 1,141 | 515 | 118 | 136 |

Source: U.S. Census Bureau and Federal Reserve Bank of Boston.

Total Housing Permits Authorized



Residential Construction Contracts



Value of Construction Contracts (index, 1980=100, not seasonally adjusted, except residential)

| Total Contracts | United States | New England | CT | ME | MA | NH | RI | VT |
|--|----------------------|--------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 2002 Annual | 340.1 | 369.2 | 330.6 | 343.5 | 364.3 | 515.6 | 407.9 | 374.9 |
| 2003 Annual | 358.6 | 352.0 | 333.7 | 390.8 | 334.1 | 462.9 | 356.8 | 355.0 |
| 2004 Annual | 398.0 | 389.7 | 347.1 | 418.2 | 370.3 | 551.6 | 399.4 | 467.1 |
| 2003 November | 312.0 | 311.2 | 391.9 | 248.8 | 249.6 | 345.0 | 549.9 | 271.2 |
| 2004 November | 355.8 | 374.6 | 295.9 | 348.9 | 360.0 | 640.4 | 578.9 | 278.6 |
| 2004 December | 338.4 | 314.3 | 288.9 | 534.4 | 303.3 | 413.3 | 149.9 | 138.4 |
| 2005 January | 342.2 | 322.0 | 288.2 | 240.8 | 357.0 | 349.4 | 434.7 | 115.0 |
| 2005 February | 338.4 | 225.1 | 247.2 | 267.8 | 204.9 | 323.0 | 168.9 | 115.2 |
| 2005 March | 432.6 | 395.3 | 307.5 | 435.0 | 369.3 | 617.7 | 743.7 | 228.3 |
| 2005 April | 459.5 | 533.6 | 741.6 | 461.2 | 409.3 | 855.9 | 232.2 | 622.5 |
| 2005 May | 463.3 | 580.0 | 380.9 | 778.8 | 617.3 | 746.7 | 538.8 | 642.3 |
| 2005 June | 550.7 | 623.7 | 522.6 | 543.4 | 698.3 | 757.7 | 466.5 | 526.3 |
| 2005 July | 479.9 | 441.1 | 406.8 | 643.7 | 398.9 | 582.7 | 262.0 | 629.2 |
| 2005 August | 509.2 | 497.1 | 539.7 | 467.5 | 351.7 | 627.5 | 1,326.9 | 560.8 |
| 2005 September | 467.9 | 502.2 | 320.6 | 528.2 | 516.5 | 750.6 | 527.8 | 837.5 |
| 2005 October | 439.5 | 413.0 | 422.6 | 406.8 | 360.0 | 515.1 | 476.6 | 667.6 |
| 2005 November | 395.9 | 374.2 | 374.0 | 336.9 | 290.0 | 599.4 | 748.7 | 454.5 |
| Residential Contracts | | | | | | | | |
| 2002 Annual | 387.4 | 350.6 | 353.2 | 440.0 | 304.1 | 538.1 | 333.3 | 286.5 |
| 2003 Annual | 441.2 | 378.5 | 367.6 | 492.4 | 336.0 | 522.8 | 446.1 | 296.8 |
| 2004 Annual | 517.0 | 470.0 | 457.5 | 614.8 | 435.0 | 609.2 | 427.9 | 388.9 |
| 2003 November | 456.4 | 380.3 | 351.8 | 519.8 | 303.3 | 565.8 | 694.3 | 329.5 |
| 2004 November | 547.5 | 479.4 | 524.0 | 637.5 | 433.1 | 600.4 | 345.3 | 354.5 |
| 2004 December | 556.9 | 493.2 | 476.6 | 748.4 | 446.4 | 681.7 | 403.4 | 318.3 |
| 2005 January | 509.9 | 422.1 | 342.4 | 731.2 | 424.9 | 505.1 | 291.9 | 222.6 |
| 2005 February | 540.2 | 347.6 | 340.1 | 537.6 | 284.6 | 485.6 | 419.0 | 309.3 |
| 2005 March | 605.4 | 462.4 | 461.1 | 641.2 | 408.5 | 616.6 | 526.7 | 324.9 |
| 2005 April | 548.1 | 478.5 | 393.9 | 559.9 | 470.1 | 795.0 | 266.9 | 415.5 |
| 2005 May | 574.9 | 586.2 | 516.3 | 671.5 | 567.5 | 672.5 | 874.2 | 498.0 |
| 2005 June | 627.3 | 561.3 | 623.0 | 621.4 | 571.6 | 574.7 | 246.2 | 391.4 |
| 2005 July | 569.3 | 425.6 | 407.0 | 602.8 | 394.1 | 549.6 | 395.2 | 308.1 |
| 2005 August | 634.4 | 524.0 | 624.7 | 701.9 | 431.0 | 599.8 | 484.9 | 515.4 |
| 2005 September | 660.8 | 615.5 | 505.1 | 681.2 | 648.3 | 726.4 | 606.0 | 513.3 |
| 2005 October | 557.4 | 434.1 | 461.0 | 634.2 | 335.0 | 537.2 | 279.5 | 778.9 |
| 2005 November | 608.7 | 442.2 | 481.3 | 668.9 | 337.0 | 680.0 | 527.0 | 329.6 |
| Nonresidential Building Contracts | | | | | | | | |
| 2002 Annual | 295.4 | 418.0 | 337.2 | 281.5 | 449.9 | 630.2 | 455.0 | 685.1 |
| 2003 Annual | 296.4 | 393.8 | 382.6 | 307.2 | 401.6 | 507.6 | 319.1 | 560.5 |
| 2004 Annual | 310.7 | 392.5 | 318.9 | 275.3 | 414.2 | 588.6 | 473.4 | 639.7 |
| 2003 November | 264.4 | 322.0 | 565.2 | 80.1 | 237.7 | 236.7 | 262.1 | 264.3 |
| 2004 November | 277.4 | 317.6 | 195.6 | 205.5 | 396.8 | 372.3 | 393.0 | 458.8 |
| 2004 December | 227.2 | 296.6 | 218.8 | 670.9 | 272.7 | 527.8 | 63.2 | 76.8 |
| 2005 January | 267.9 | 390.8 | 436.3 | 60.7 | 370.7 | 405.2 | 1,143.0 | 20.0 |
| 2005 February | 217.6 | 173.7 | 249.8 | 146.4 | 127.2 | 317.4 | 79.9 | 53.2 |
| 2005 March | 278.1 | 415.2 | 265.2 | 441.6 | 378.8 | 816.5 | 1,188.5 | 207.8 |
| 2005 April | 343.2 | 491.8 | 501.8 | 94.2 | 512.2 | 1,014.1 | 174.3 | 812.5 |
| 2005 May | 325.3 | 533.2 | 309.9 | 752.0 | 569.0 | 1,024.0 | 393.0 | 672.9 |
| 2005 June | 428.3 | 727.2 | 553.0 | 281.7 | 993.4 | 826.1 | 181.8 | 548.3 |
| 2005 July | 367.7 | 465.5 | 438.8 | 573.0 | 470.7 | 554.7 | 162.3 | 622.5 |
| 2005 August | 400.5 | 396.9 | 518.1 | 317.9 | 211.3 | 599.4 | 1,281.3 | 368.9 |
| 2005 September | 329.0 | 507.2 | 215.9 | 419.2 | 528.3 | 977.7 | 777.1 | 2,016.3 |
| 2005 October | 328.0 | 454.0 | 468.5 | 198.6 | 490.4 | 650.1 | 240.9 | 530.0 |
| 2005 November | 317.0 | 373.6 | 272.2 | 190.6 | 279.0 | 857.7 | 1,115.6 | 1,206.8 |

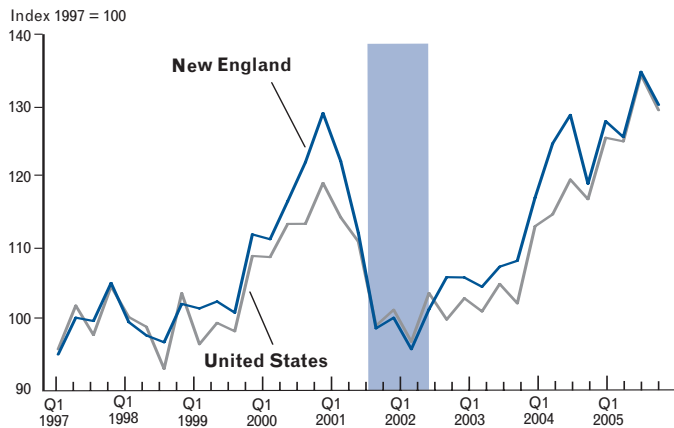
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Value of Construction Contracts, continued (index, 1980=100, not seasonally adjusted)

| | United States | New England | CT | ME | MA | NH | RI | VT |
|------------------------------|---------------|-------------|---------|-------|-------|---------|---------|---------|
| Nonbuilding Contracts | | | | | | | | |
| 2002 Annual | 311.9 | 317.1 | 269.2 | 272.7 | 328.8 | 321.4 | 455.9 | 251.8 |
| 2003 Annual | 287.5 | 223.1 | 147.8 | 344.0 | 213.1 | 252.3 | 303.0 | 237.7 |
| 2004 Annual | 293.1 | 223.2 | 169.0 | 306.0 | 181.4 | 360.2 | 286.0 | 410.7 |
| 2003 November | 219.3 | 164.9 | 142.9 | 141.5 | 143.4 | 59.5 | 471.3 | 204.6 |
| 2004 November | 248.4 | 284.0 | 138.5 | 206.6 | 138.1 | 1,162.8 | 957.0 | 10.7 |
| 2004 December | 256.0 | 131.4 | 142.1 | 94.5 | 166.9 | 80.5 | 45.3 | 7.6 |
| 2005 January | 237.7 | 191.9 | 13.2 | 78.3 | 323.7 | 160.0 | 14.1 | 156.4 |
| 2005 February | 286.7 | 274.0 | 243.3 | 313.1 | 317.0 | 267.7 | 169.4 | 61.6 |
| 2005 March | 305.4 | 338.9 | 198.7 | 193.7 | 373.6 | 464.3 | 694.2 | 67.4 |
| 2005 April | 334.2 | 649.9 | 1,991.3 | 761.2 | 199.2 | 396.5 | 177.0 | 480.0 |
| 2005 May | 323.8 | 429.4 | 98.1 | 706.8 | 584.3 | 294.9 | 149.6 | 411.7 |
| 2005 June | 423.4 | 440.1 | 174.8 | 556.1 | 402.1 | 744.4 | 904.1 | 505.7 |
| 2005 July | 371.9 | 292.6 | 108.2 | 630.2 | 208.8 | 511.0 | 223.7 | 1,093.2 |
| 2005 August | 353.8 | 435.5 | 207.5 | 160.7 | 247.3 | 580.9 | 2,336.3 | 565.0 |
| 2005 September | 304.1 | 229.2 | 171.7 | 332.8 | 185.5 | 484.7 | 204.5 | 355.7 |
| 2005 October | 314.8 | 196.1 | 90.6 | 293.8 | 108.7 | 171.0 | 974.2 | 146.7 |
| 2005 November | 267.4 | 262.7 | 472.5 | 134.8 | 194.3 | 165.1 | 486.4 | 97.9 |

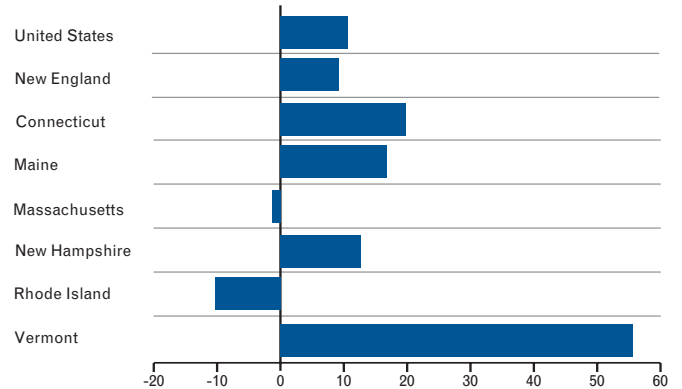
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Total Merchandise Exports



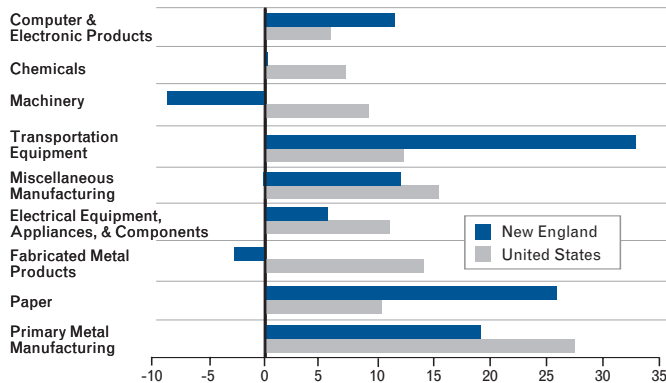
Exports by State

Dollar Value of Merchandise Exports
Percent Change, Third Quarter 2004 to Third Quarter 2005



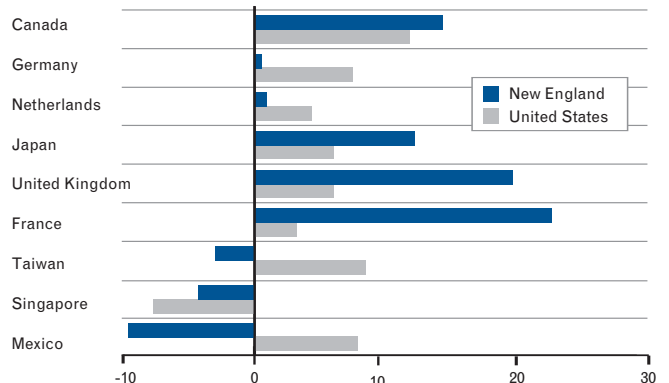
Exports by Industry

Dollar Value of Merchandise Exports
Percent Change, Third Quarter 2004 to Third Quarter 2005



Exports by Country of Destination

Dollar Value of Merchandise Exports
Percent Change, Third Quarter 2004 to Third Quarter 2005



Total Merchandise Exports (millions of dollars, not seasonally adjusted)

| | United States | New England | CT | ME | MA | NH | RI | VT |
|------------------|---------------|-------------|-------|-----|-------|-----|-----|-------|
| 2002 Annual | 173,314 | 8,124 | 2,078 | 493 | 4,177 | 466 | 280 | 630 |
| 2003 Annual | 180,936 | 8,681 | 2,034 | 547 | 4,666 | 483 | 294 | 657 |
| 2004 Annual | 204,484 | 9,921 | 2,140 | 608 | 5,459 | 571 | 322 | 821 |
| 2003 Quarter III | 175,662 | 8,595 | 1,915 | 543 | 4,785 | 444 | 273 | 635 |
| 2004 Quarter III | 200,546 | 9,447 | 2,004 | 525 | 5,275 | 559 | 326 | 758 |
| 2004 Quarter IV | 215,237 | 10,138 | 2,227 | 616 | 5,464 | 617 | 311 | 903 |
| 2005 Quarter I | 214,378 | 9,964 | 2,312 | 499 | 5,305 | 579 | 299 | 970 |
| 2005 Quarter II | 230,296 | 10,683 | 2,351 | 521 | 5,801 | 632 | 344 | 1,034 |
| 2005 Quarter III | 221,803 | 10,318 | 2,400 | 614 | 5,202 | 630 | 292 | 1,180 |

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Merchandise Exports by Industry* (millions of dollars, not seasonally adjusted)

| United States | Computer & Electronic Products | Chemicals | Machinery | Transportation Equipment | Miscellaneous Manufacturing | Electrical Equip., Appliances, & Components | Fabricated Metal Products | Paper | Primary Metal Manufacturing |
|------------------|--------------------------------|-----------|-----------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|---|---------------------------|-------|-----------------------------|
| 2002 Annual | 36,462 | 20,126 | 18,736 | 32,724 | 6,665 | 5,712 | 5,047 | 3,527 | 4,172 |
| 2003 Annual | 37,498 | 22,754 | 18,731 | 32,214 | 7,350 | 5,823 | 5,091 | 3,626 | 4,781 |
| 2004 Annual | 41,050 | 27,121 | 23,168 | 35,110 | 8,562 | 6,707 | 5,654 | 3,933 | 5,698 |
| 2003 Quarter III | 37,408 | 22,663 | 18,081 | 29,226 | 7,285 | 5,889 | 4,966 | 3,598 | 4,759 |
| 2004 Quarter III | 40,296 | 27,126 | 23,144 | 33,311 | 8,682 | 6,905 | 5,622 | 3,906 | 5,831 |
| 2004 Quarter IV | 42,212 | 28,868 | 24,202 | 36,399 | 9,261 | 7,088 | 5,681 | 4,004 | 6,253 |
| 2005 Quarter I | 39,930 | 29,284 | 25,079 | 36,476 | 9,396 | 7,036 | 5,817 | 4,146 | 7,093 |
| 2005 Quarter II | 41,444 | 30,509 | 26,687 | 43,368 | 9,859 | 7,573 | 6,332 | 4,358 | 7,399 |
| 2005 Quarter III | 42,671 | 29,075 | 25,283 | 37,417 | 10,034 | 7,671 | 6,417 | 4,311 | 7,434 |

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|------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| 2002 Annual | 2,740 | 777 | 785 | 1,184 | 467 | 297 | 324 | 257 | 134 |
| 2003 Annual | 2,983 | 1,073 | 795 | 1,006 | 585 | 291 | 290 | 265 | 181 |
| 2004 Annual | 3,134 | 1,454 | 1,092 | 1,045 | 722 | 372 | 311 | 267 | 204 |
| 2003 Quarter III | 2,993 | 1,250 | 697 | 838 | 594 | 276 | 270 | 255 | 184 |
| 2004 Quarter III | 2,992 | 1,327 | 1,155 | 857 | 721 | 366 | 316 | 248 | 192 |
| 2004 Quarter IV | 3,181 | 1,495 | 1,068 | 1,022 | 771 | 389 | 309 | 253 | 200 |
| 2005 Quarter I | 3,004 | 1,587 | 1,052 | 1,164 | 719 | 369 | 323 | 284 | 179 |
| 2005 Quarter II | 3,326 | 1,714 | 1,118 | 1,131 | 767 | 385 | 333 | 302 | 170 |
| 2005 Quarter III | 3,337 | 1,331 | 1,055 | 1,139 | 809 | 387 | 307 | 312 | 229 |

Merchandise Exports by Country of Destination* (millions of dollars, not seasonally adjusted)

| United States | Canada | Germany | Netherlands | Japan | United Kingdom | France | Taiwan | Singapore | Mexico |
|------------------|--------|---------|-------------|--------|----------------|--------|--------|-----------|--------|
| 2002 Annual | 40,200 | 6,657 | 4,584 | 12,860 | 8,313 | 4,755 | 4,599 | 4,055 | 24,383 |
| 2003 Annual | 42,370 | 7,212 | 5,176 | 13,016 | 8,474 | 4,267 | 4,372 | 4,144 | 24,364 |
| 2004 Annual | 47,275 | 7,845 | 6,072 | 13,600 | 8,990 | 5,310 | 5,433 | 4,900 | 27,694 |
| 2003 Quarter III | 39,786 | 6,731 | 4,721 | 12,717 | 8,073 | 3,799 | 4,537 | 4,704 | 24,424 |
| 2004 Quarter III | 45,633 | 7,841 | 5,878 | 13,331 | 8,683 | 4,714 | 5,191 | 5,490 | 27,930 |
| 2004 Quarter IV | 49,839 | 8,178 | 6,515 | 13,990 | 9,149 | 5,979 | 5,896 | 4,272 | 29,339 |
| 2005 Quarter I | 50,568 | 8,328 | 6,596 | 13,077 | 9,375 | 5,691 | 5,345 | 5,214 | 28,048 |
| 2005 Quarter II | 54,913 | 8,437 | 6,809 | 13,752 | 10,465 | 5,888 | 5,809 | 5,061 | 29,863 |
| 2005 Quarter III | 51,044 | 8,428 | 6,133 | 14,141 | 9,206 | 4,868 | 5,630 | 5,067 | 30,121 |

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|------------------|-------|-----|-------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| 2002 Annual | 1,734 | 520 | 366 | 663 | 615 | 563 | 254 | 330 | 291 |
| 2003 Annual | 1,702 | 639 | 552 | 672 | 585 | 456 | 277 | 381 | 350 |
| 2004 Annual | 1,923 | 884 | 751 | 684 | 597 | 539 | 413 | 403 | 390 |
| 2003 Quarter III | 1,714 | 558 | 643 | 654 | 567 | 353 | 251 | 430 | 359 |
| 2004 Quarter III | 1,865 | 807 | 718 | 602 | 578 | 489 | 391 | 368 | 434 |
| 2004 Quarter IV | 2,143 | 852 | 814 | 739 | 595 | 617 | 353 | 297 | 404 |
| 2005 Quarter I | 2,052 | 802 | 905 | 692 | 614 | 699 | 328 | 263 | 413 |
| 2005 Quarter II | 2,289 | 812 | 1,038 | 697 | 677 | 603 | 342 | 285 | 401 |
| 2005 Quarter III | 2,132 | 812 | 724 | 675 | 691 | 599 | 380 | 352 | 392 |

*The industries and countries shown in these tables had the largest shares of total New England merchandise exports in 2004. Industries are defined by the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS).

State Merchandise Exports by Industry* (millions of dollars, not seasonally adjusted)

| | Connecticut | | | Maine | | | Massachusetts | | |
|------------------|--------------------------|-----------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------|---------------------|--------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | Transportation Equipment | Machinery | Computer & Electronic Products | Computer & Electronic Products | Paper | Forestry Products** | Computer & Electronic Products | Chemicals | Machinery |
| 2002 Annual | 1,025 | 167 | 190 | 134 | 96 | 46 | 1,756 | 567 | 447 |
| 2003 Annual | 825 | 196 | 197 | 151 | 104 | 46 | 1,922 | 804 | 417 |
| 2004 Annual | 794 | 277 | 201 | 169 | 107 | 49 | 1,869 | 1227 | 614 |
| 2003 Quarter III | 717 | 178 | 202 | 133 | 94 | 44 | 1,972 | 986 | 369 |
| 2004 Quarter III | 650 | 323 | 207 | 156 | 87 | 46 | 1,798 | 1110 | 640 |
| 2004 Quarter IV | 841 | 292 | 198 | 210 | 96 | 53 | 1,765 | 1286 | 573 |
| 2005 Quarter I | 985 | 257 | 211 | 134 | 120 | 65 | 1,631 | 1367 | 589 |
| 2005 Quarter II | 917 | 273 | 216 | 154 | 117 | 41 | 1,843 | 1,476 | 618 |
| 2005 Quarter III | 955 | 288 | 210 | 189 | 133 | 49 | 1,703 | 1,083 | 530 |

| | New Hampshire | | | Rhode Island | | | Vermont | | |
|------------------|--------------------------------|-----------|---|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------|--------------------------------|-----------|--------------------------|
| | Computer & Electronic Products | Machinery | Electrical Equip., Appliances, & Components | Computer & Electronic Products | Miscellaneous Manufacturing | Waste & Scrap | Computer & Electronic Products | Machinery | Transportation Equipment |
| 2002 Annual | 142 | 96 | 25 | 51 | 35 | 36 | 466 | 26 | 23 |
| 2003 Annual | 153 | 97 | 24 | 65 | 38 | 32 | 494 | 32 | 20 |
| 2004 Annual | 188 | 112 | 31 | 64 | 51 | 39 | 645 | 35 | 25 |
| 2003 Quarter III | 135 | 84 | 19 | 64 | 35 | 25 | 487 | 26 | 17 |
| 2004 Quarter III | 180 | 108 | 31 | 72 | 50 | 29 | 578 | 35 | 24 |
| 2004 Quarter IV | 219 | 118 | 33 | 52 | 61 | 32 | 735 | 34 | 24 |
| 2005 Quarter I | 187 | 126 | 32 | 48 | 51 | 29 | 794 | 34 | 24 |
| 2005 Quarter II | 210 | 148 | 42 | 46 | 52 | 60 | 857 | 26 | 29 |
| 2005 Quarter III | 200 | 145 | 37 | 36 | 50 | 28 | 999 | 29 | 27 |

State Merchandise Exports by Country of Destination* (millions of dollars, not seasonally adjusted)

| | Connecticut | | | Maine | | | Massachusetts | | |
|------------------|-------------|--------|---------|--------|----------|-------------|---------------|---------|-------------|
| | Canada | France | Germany | Canada | Malaysia | Singapore** | Canada | Germany | Netherlands |
| 2002 Annual | 373 | 295 | 164 | 198 | 42 | 62 | 677 | 300 | 263 |
| 2003 Annual | 338 | 274 | 190 | 205 | 59 | 56 | 660 | 400 | 440 |
| 2004 Annual | 368 | 295 | 191 | 207 | 85 | 59 | 725 | 629 | 629 |
| 2003 Quarter III | 328 | 199 | 146 | 253 | 57 | 47 | 630 | 369 | 543 |
| 2004 Quarter III | 377 | 264 | 179 | 230 | 75 | 54 | 701 | 555 | 579 |
| 2004 Quarter IV | 426 | 370 | 184 | 259 | 114 | 68 | 734 | 609 | 688 |
| 2005 Quarter I | 391 | 442 | 221 | 196 | 70 | 32 | 700 | 525 | 773 |
| 2005 Quarter II | 442 | 354 | 206 | 190 | 84 | 45 | 801 | 534 | 860 |
| 2005 Quarter III | 404 | 400 | 178 | 240 | 82 | 77 | 697 | 561 | 528 |

| | New Hampshire | | | Rhode Island | | | Vermont | | |
|------------------|---------------|-------|----------------|--------------|-----------|----------------|---------|--------|-------|
| | Canada | Japan | United Kingdom | Canada | Singapore | United Kingdom | Canada | Taiwan | Korea |
| 2002 Annual | 129 | 32 | 41 | 94 | 20 | 14 | 264 | 81 | 83 |
| 2003 Annual | 126 | 35 | 40 | 102 | 25 | 13 | 270 | 104 | 61 |
| 2004 Annual | 135 | 50 | 42 | 110 | 21 | 17 | 379 | 128 | 65 |
| 2003 Quarter III | 120 | 35 | 38 | 101 | 23 | 14 | 282 | 73 | 47 |
| 2004 Quarter III | 132 | 34 | 40 | 105 | 19 | 18 | 319 | 105 | 68 |
| 2004 Quarter IV | 142 | 79 | 41 | 110 | 16 | 19 | 471 | 92 | 77 |
| 2005 Quarter I | 129 | 59 | 43 | 107 | 14 | 14 | 531 | 74 | 100 |
| 2005 Quarter II | 151 | 46 | 41 | 108 | 10 | 16 | 597 | 58 | 68 |
| 2005 Quarter III | 132 | 33 | 45 | 97 | 11 | 15 | 562 | 158 | 75 |

*The industries and countries shown for each state in these tables had the largest shares of that state's merchandise exports in 2004. Industries are defined by the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS).

**Because of an unusual surge in exports of production platforms in the first quarter, the third-largest destination of Maine's exports during 2004 was actually Brazil (not Singapore), and the third-largest exporting industry was transportation equipment (not forestry products).

Electricity Sales (millions of kilowatt-hours, not seasonally adjusted)

| | United States | New England | CT | ME | MA | NH | RI | VT |
|--------------------------------------|---------------|-------------|-------|-----|-------|-----|-----|-----|
| Residential Electricity Sales | | | | | | | | |
| 2002 Annual | 105,648 | 3,667 | 1,040 | 348 | 1,559 | 312 | 236 | 172 |
| 2003 Annual | 106,659 | 3,871 | 1,099 | 350 | 1,639 | 354 | 250 | 179 |
| 2004 Annual | 107,817 | 3,901 | 1,102 | 359 | 1,655 | 357 | 250 | 179 |
| 2003 September | 113,506 | 3,678 | 1,122 | 320 | 1,505 | 337 | 228 | 166 |
| 2004 September | 112,692 | 3,715 | 1,015 | 330 | 1,623 | 334 | 257 | 156 |
| 2004 October | 93,451 | 3,363 | 899 | 328 | 1,448 | 306 | 218 | 164 |
| 2004 November | 89,537 | 3,631 | 1,056 | 347 | 1,497 | 335 | 227 | 169 |
| 2004 December | 113,737 | 4,529 | 1,291 | 421 | 1,915 | 414 | 275 | 213 |
| 2005 January | 125,614 | 4,672 | 1,359 | 453 | 1,887 | 456 | 293 | 224 |
| 2005 February | 107,250 | 3,914 | 1,108 | 370 | 1,631 | 377 | 246 | 182 |
| 2005 March | 104,233 | 4,130 | 1,208 | 386 | 1,710 | 374 | 255 | 197 |
| 2005 April | 87,057 | 3,300 | 872 | 332 | 1,406 | 317 | 215 | 158 |
| 2005 May | 86,919 | 3,275 | 894 | 330 | 1,378 | 308 | 213 | 152 |
| 2005 June | 116,521 | 4,012 | 1,182 | 328 | 1,700 | 366 | 257 | 179 |
| 2005 July | 144,754 | 4,861 | 1,415 | 395 | 2,103 | 428 | 322 | 198 |
| 2005 August | 147,140 | 4,918 | 1,429 | 396 | 2,113 | 440 | 348 | 192 |
| 2005 September | 126,226 | 3,853 | 1,017 | 359 | 1,682 | 342 | 277 | 176 |
| Commercial Electricity Sales | | | | | | | | |
| 2002 Annual | 92,564 | 4,135 | 1,049 | 321 | 2,011 | 320 | 272 | 162 |
| 2003 Annual | 93,271 | 4,303 | 1,072 | 324 | 2,113 | 348 | 285 | 161 |
| 2004 Annual | 102,235 | 4,419 | 1,111 | 346 | 2,138 | 362 | 295 | 167 |
| 2003 September | 99,408 | 4,438 | 1,254 | 326 | 2,045 | 373 | 274 | 166 |
| 2004 September | 109,490 | 4,436 | 1,122 | 344 | 2,131 | 368 | 302 | 169 |
| 2004 October | 102,102 | 4,232 | 1,047 | 328 | 2,056 | 352 | 288 | 161 |
| 2004 November | 95,617 | 4,177 | 1,036 | 437 | 1,929 | 337 | 278 | 160 |
| 2004 December | 101,255 | 4,506 | 1,070 | 364 | 2,216 | 377 | 304 | 175 |
| 2005 January | 101,472 | 4,520 | 1,166 | 349 | 2,131 | 390 | 307 | 177 |
| 2005 February | 93,455 | 4,198 | 1,053 | 319 | 2,043 | 348 | 271 | 164 |
| 2005 March | 98,653 | 4,402 | 1,089 | 340 | 2,160 | 361 | 284 | 168 |
| 2005 April | 94,543 | 4,069 | 1,043 | 311 | 1,956 | 346 | 259 | 154 |
| 2005 May | 99,479 | 4,135 | 1,040 | 314 | 1,998 | 343 | 283 | 157 |
| 2005 June | 114,505 | 4,705 | 1,218 | 322 | 2,288 | 385 | 318 | 174 |
| 2005 July | 122,565 | 5,184 | 1,288 | 373 | 2,559 | 417 | 357 | 190 |
| 2005 August | 124,734 | 5,192 | 1,348 | 383 | 2,505 | 425 | 342 | 189 |
| 2005 September | 115,734 | 4,472 | 1,198 | 310 | 2,089 | 388 | 310 | 177 |
| Industrial Electricity Sales | | | | | | | | |
| 2002 Annual | 82,214 | 1,913 | 446 | 230 | 820 | 174 | 109 | 133 |
| 2003 Annual | 82,613 | 1,939 | 433 | 280 | 805 | 188 | 107 | 128 |
| 2004 Annual | 84,868 | 1,960 | 435 | 292 | 796 | 194 | 112 | 132 |
| 2003 September | 84,526 | 1,976 | 488 | 277 | 794 | 203 | 84 | 130 |
| 2004 September | 86,164 | 1,958 | 419 | 285 | 816 | 196 | 113 | 129 |
| 2004 October | 85,992 | 2,024 | 455 | 353 | 789 | 194 | 107 | 126 |
| 2004 November | 84,637 | 1,845 | 363 | 317 | 736 | 182 | 113 | 134 |
| 2004 December | 83,890 | 1,914 | 427 | 277 | 774 | 183 | 113 | 140 |
| 2005 January | 82,301 | 1,854 | 410 | 287 | 735 | 179 | 99 | 144 |
| 2005 February | 80,444 | 1,775 | 366 | 261 | 739 | 181 | 98 | 130 |
| 2005 March | 84,662 | 1,899 | 432 | 273 | 792 | 168 | 105 | 129 |
| 2005 April | 83,665 | 1,851 | 410 | 276 | 764 | 179 | 99 | 123 |
| 2005 May | 87,158 | 1,881 | 426 | 269 | 766 | 182 | 107 | 131 |
| 2005 June | 89,634 | 2,006 | 448 | 274 | 845 | 194 | 111 | 134 |
| 2005 July | 89,917 | 2,067 | 458 | 309 | 847 | 197 | 117 | 139 |
| 2005 August | 92,046 | 2,127 | 487 | 309 | 882 | 199 | 109 | 141 |
| 2005 September | 87,304 | 2,239 | 460 | 385 | 958 | 199 | 103 | 134 |

Source: U.S. Department of Energy.

State Revenues (millions of dollars, not seasonally adjusted)

| | Connecticut | | | Maine | | | Massachusetts | | |
|----------------|------------------|------------|-----------------|------------------|------------|-----------------|------------------|------------|-----------------|
| | General Revenues | Income Tax | Sales & Use Tax | General Revenues | Income Tax | Sales & Use Tax | General Revenues | Income Tax | Sales & Use Tax |
| 2003 FY Total | 10,165.2 | 4,431.1 | 3,385.6 | 2,394.7 | 1,071.7 | 857.5 | 15,215.3 | 8,026.1 | 3,708.1 |
| 2004 FY Total | 11,099.9 | 5,237.7 | 3,464.2 | 2,683.5 | 1,156.7 | 917.2 | 16,160.0 | 8,827.1 | 3,749.9 |
| 2005 FY Total | 10,870.4 | 5,224.7 | 3,255.6 | 2,790.8 | 1,270.2 | 897.0 | 17,422.4 | 9,690.3 | 3,886.4 |
| 2003 November | 629.4 | 278.5 | 251.6 | 190.3 | 92.8 | 75.0 | 1,072.6 | 630.8 | 285.8 |
| 2004 November | 708.4 | 289.2 | 252.4 | 206.1 | 99.1 | 72.7 | 1,145.3 | 646.7 | 309.8 |
| 2004 December | 509.5 | 258.2 | 244.7 | 239.0 | 119.5 | 68.8 | 1,610.0 | 915.9 | 311.0 |
| 2005 January | 1,221.4 | 645.6 | 371.1 | 267.2 | 148.1 | 89.8 | 1,708.7 | 1,174.8 | 375.3 |
| 2005 February | 718.4 | 346.2 | 218.2 | 122.8 | 42.5 | 49.4 | 869.4 | 385.0 | 277.3 |
| 2005 March | 1,046.3 | 452.3 | 225.9 | 155.1 | 41.3 | 56.6 | 1,618.3 | 480.6 | 282.3 |
| 2005 April | 1,614.1 | 1,086.3 | 289.1 | 349.3 | 242.2 | 67.4 | 2,045.0 | 1,525.6 | 318.4 |
| 2005 May | 747.8 | 292.8 | 257.4 | 217.2 | 79.6 | 67.5 | 1,349.9 | 801.4 | 333.2 |
| 2005 June | 1,078.8 | 520.1 | 266.4 | 442.2 | 172.6 | 160.8 | 1,859.9 | 913.4 | 353.4 |
| 2005 July | 970.0 | 376.5 | 343.3 | 208.4 | 81.5 | 91.9 | 1,208.9 | 645.0 | 369.2 |
| 2005 August | 581.7 | 218.2 | 260.6 | 72.0 | 41.0 | 2.2 | 1,233.9 | 670.6 | 354.4 |
| 2005 September | 1,071.9 | 575.6 | 260.0 | 279.0 | 125.8 | 91.3 | NA | NA | NA |
| 2005 October | 938.4 | 311.8 | 316.4 | 232.2 | 63.2 | 89.2 | NA | NA | NA |
| 2005 November | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA |

| | New Hampshire | | | Rhode Island | | | Vermont | | |
|----------------|------------------|--------------|-------------------|------------------|------------|-----------------|------------------|------------|-----------------|
| | General Revenues | Business Tax | Meals & Rooms Tax | General Revenues | Income Tax | Sales & Use Tax | General Revenues | Income Tax | Sales & Use Tax |
| 2003 FY Total | 2,029.5 | 392.8 | 175.4 | 2,296.6 | 811.6 | 775.6 | 864.9 | 411.2 | 218.6 |
| 2004 FY Total | 2,163.0 | 409.7 | 184.5 | 2,576.3 | 888.2 | 816.8 | 926.7 | 417.5 | 254.0 |
| 2005 FY Total | 2,119.6 | 452.5 | 192.6 | 2,784.0 | 978.9 | 938.9 | 1,035.9 | 500.4 | 207.0 |
| 2003 November | 74.6 | 1.4 | 16.0 | 210.6 | 60.6 | 63.3 | 60.1 | 25.2 | 19.4 |
| 2004 November | 98.5 | 8.7 | 17.5 | 190.5 | 60.6 | 68.1 | 62.4 | 27.8 | 16.3 |
| 2004 December | 159.3 | 67.3 | 13.0 | 310.4 | 109.7 | 66.6 | 94.6 | 50.1 | 16.3 |
| 2005 January | 114.0 | 22.1 | 14.9 | 268.4 | 113.5 | 78.8 | 119.0 | 66.8 | 25.8 |
| 2005 February | 83.3 | 6.9 | 12.9 | 159.1 | 36.2 | 60.0 | 51.3 | 5.4 | 13.8 |
| 2005 March | 544.1 | 81.5 | 14.0 | 285.7 | 48.0 | 62.6 | 75.5 | 9.8 | 14.6 |
| 2005 April | 227.7 | 73.3 | 14.2 | 255.9 | 166.7 | 64.2 | 151.1 | 108.8 | 17.5 |
| 2005 May | 109.6 | 11.0 | 14.3 | 146.0 | 42.7 | 162.3 | 50.1 | 15.9 | 14.7 |
| 2005 June | 213.2 | 71.6 | 15.1 | 315.5 | 100.7 | 78.4 | 102.3 | 55.7 | 16.4 |
| 2005 July | 87.2 | 13.5 | 18.4 | 166.6 | 62.3 | 77.5 | 79.2 | 40.0 | 16.7 |
| 2005 August | 106.6 | 16.0 | 22.2 | 174.8 | 69.6 | 78.0 | 70.8 | 29.5 | 16.7 |
| 2005 September | 210.0 | 88.4 | 21.8 | 226.8 | 101.3 | 80.9 | 122.3 | 56.0 | 17.3 |
| 2005 October | 191.6 | 38.4 | 17.7 | 157.5 | 64.9 | 71.8 | 90.3 | 45.5 | 21.0 |
| 2005 November | 93.8 | 9.0 | 17.7 | 152.2 | 63.4 | 69.4 | NA | NA | NA |

Note: For each state, the table shows general revenues (including all taxes and fees) and the two historically largest sources of tax revenues. **These revenues are preliminary estimates generated by each of the New England states and are unaudited and subject to revision.** For all states, the "Income Tax" column reports revenues from the individual income tax. Rhode Island and Vermont refer to this category as collections from the "personal income tax." Maine uses the term "individual income tax" collections. Annual totals are for the July through June fiscal years. For example, FY2003 is the sum of collections for the 12 months from July 2002 through June 2003.

Sources: Connecticut Department of Revenue Services, Maine Office of the State Controller, Massachusetts Department of Revenue, New Hampshire Department of Administrative Services, Rhode Island State Budget Office, and the State of Vermont Joint Fiscal Office.

Economic Activity Index (index, July 1992=100, not seasonally adjusted)

| | CT | ME | MA | NH | RI | VT |
|----------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| 2002 Annual | 142.0 | 137.2 | 155.7 | 208.8 | 149.2 | 145.3 |
| 2003 Annual | 142.0 | 138.3 | 154.6 | 217.1 | 154.9 | 146.2 |
| 2004 Annual | 146.9 | 141.9 | 158.9 | 237.6 | 160.0 | 151.7 |
| 2003 November | 143.1 | 139.9 | 155.3 | 222.8 | 157.1 | 148.2 |
| 2004 November | 149.4 | 143.0 | 161.3 | 246.9 | 162.1 | 154.2 |
| 2004 December | 150.0 | 143.2 | 161.9 | 247.3 | 162.7 | 154.5 |
| 2005 January | 150.5 | 143.4 | 162.1 | 249.1 | 164.0 | 154.9 |
| 2005 February | 150.9 | 143.4 | 162.0 | 248.0 | 164.4 | 155.3 |
| 2005 March | 151.4 | 143.4 | 162.1 | 250.5 | 164.6 | 155.7 |
| 2005 April | 151.8 | 143.5 | 162.8 | 251.3 | 164.4 | 156.0 |
| 2005 May | 152.1 | 143.4 | 163.0 | 252.5 | 164.7 | 156.5 |
| 2005 June | 152.5 | 143.7 | 163.5 | 253.3 | 164.6 | 156.6 |
| 2005 July | 152.9 | 143.6 | 163.8 | 253.7 | 164.1 | 156.8 |
| 2005 August | 153.2 | 143.8 | 165.5 | 254.2 | 163.8 | 157.2 |
| 2005 September | 153.5 | 143.8 | 164.9 | 253.2 | 163.2 | 157.3 |
| 2005 October | 153.9 | 144.1 | 164.8 | 253.8 | 164.0 | 157.4 |
| 2005 November | 154.2 | 144.5 | 164.6 | 254.3 | 164.9 | 158.1 |

Source: Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia.

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