



**Data Highlights from the
New York State Department of Labor's
Jobs and Labor Force Press Release:
*October 2024***

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Seasonally Adjusted Current Employment by Industry Jobs Data

(Note: When comparing different months, seasonally adjusted data provide the most valid comparison; for example, September 2024 versus October 2024.)

- In October 2024, the number of seasonally adjusted private sector jobs in New York State decreased by 800, or less than 0.1%, to 8,391,200. Over the same period, the number of nonfarm jobs in the state (private plus public sectors) decreased by 10,900, or 0.1%, to 9,871,100.
- Industry sectors that added the most jobs in October 2024 were private education and health services (+6,500), leisure and hospitality (+2,200) and professional and business services (+1,200).
- Industry sectors that lost jobs in October 2024 were government (-10,100), other services (-3,600), financial activities (-2,700), manufacturing (-1,800), information (-1,800) and construction (-1,000).
- As of October 2024, New York State has recovered 103.0% of the 1,923,200 private sector jobs lost in the February-April 2020 national recession.

Not Seasonally Adjusted Current Employment by Industry Jobs Data

(Note: Not seasonally adjusted data are valuable in year-to-year comparisons of the same month; for example, October 2023 versus October 2024.)

- From October 2023 to October 2024, the number of private sector jobs in New York State increased by 104,300, or 1.3%. Nationally, the number of private sector jobs increased over the past year by 1.2%.

- Thirteen metro areas in New York State added private sector jobs in October 2023 – October 2024. The private sector job count grew by at least 1.2% in the following areas over the past year: Rochester (+1.9%), New York City (+1.8%), Binghamton (+1.4%), Nassau-Suffolk (+1.2%) and Orange-Rockland-Westchester (+1.2%).

**% Change in Private Sector Jobs, by Area,
12-Month Period Ending October 2024** (not seasonally adjusted)

Area	Over-the-Year % Change, Private Sector Jobs
United States	+1.2%
New York State	+1.3%
New York City	+1.8%
Metro Areas outside New York City	+0.9%
Counties outside Metro Areas	+1.0%

Seasonally Adjusted Labor Force Data

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- In October 2024, New York State’s unemployment rate held constant at 4.4%. The comparable rate for the U.S. was 4.1% in October 2024.
- In addition, the number of unemployed New Yorkers decreased from 426,800 in September to 425,700 in October 2024. The statewide civilian labor force decreased by 3,400 to 9,705,700 in October 2024.
- New York City’s unemployment rate increased from 5.3% to 5.4% in October 2024.
- The unemployment rate in the balance of state region (NYS-NYC) decreased from 3.7% to 3.6% in October 2024.

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