Data Highlights from the New York State Department of Labor’s Jobs and Labor Force Press Release: April 2021

The latest monthly jobs and labor force press release is available here: dol.ny.gov/labor-data

Seasonally Adjusted Current Employment by Industry Jobs Data
(Note: When comparing different months, seasonally adjusted data provide the most valid comparison; for example, March 2021 versus April 2021.)

- In April 2021, the number of private sector jobs in New York State increased by 28,100, or 0.4%, to 7,445,200. Over the same period, the number of nonfarm jobs in the state (private plus public sectors) increased by 29,200, or 0.3%, to 8,882,200.

- Industry sectors adding the most jobs in April 2021 included: leisure and hospitality (+24,200), educational and health services (+3,800), professional and business services (+3,000), manufacturing (+2,400), other services (+1,800) and government (+1,100).

- Industry sectors that lost jobs in April 2021 were construction (-3,900), financial activities (-2,700) and information (-800).

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, April 2020 versus April 2021.)

- From April 2020 to April 2021, the number of private sector jobs in New York State increased by 1,020,100, or 15.9%. Nationally, the number of private sector jobs increased over the past year by 13.3%.
• All 15 metro areas in New York State added private sector jobs in April 2020-April 2021. The following areas gained at least 20.0% of their private sector jobs over the past year: Glens falls (+25.8%), Watertown-Fort Drum (+24.8%), Nassau-Suffolk (+23.3%), Buffalo-Niagara Falls (+22.5%), Kingston (+21.7%) and Orange-Rockland-Westchester (+21.6).

### % Change in Private Sector Jobs, by Area, 12-Month Period Ending April 2021 (not seasonally adjusted)

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Area</th>
<th>Over-the-Year % Change, Private Sector Jobs</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>United States</td>
<td>+13.3%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>New York State</td>
<td>+15.9%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>New York City</td>
<td>+12.0%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Metro Areas outside New York City</td>
<td>+19.9%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Counties outside Metro Areas</td>
<td>+12.3%</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

### Seasonally Adjusted Labor Force Data
(Note: When comparing different months, seasonally adjusted data provide the most valid comparison; for example, March 2021 versus April 2021.)

• In April 2021, New York State’s unemployment rate decreased from 8.4% to 8.2%. The comparable rate for the U.S. was 6.1% in April 2021.

• In addition, the number of unemployed New Yorkers decreased from 804,300 in March to 778,400 in April 2021. The statewide civilian labor force decreased by 17,800 to 9,505,900 in April 2021.

• New York City’s unemployment rate decreased from 11.7% in March to 11.4% in April 2021.

• The unemployment rate in the balance of state region (NYS-NYC) decreased from 6.0% in March to 5.7% April 2021.

For additional regional labor market information prepared by the New York State Department of Labor’s Division of Research and Statistics, visit: [dol.ny.gov/labor-data](http://dol.ny.gov/labor-data).
To contact your regional labor market analyst, see: [dol.ny.gov/labor-market-analysts](http://dol.ny.gov/labor-market-analysts)