

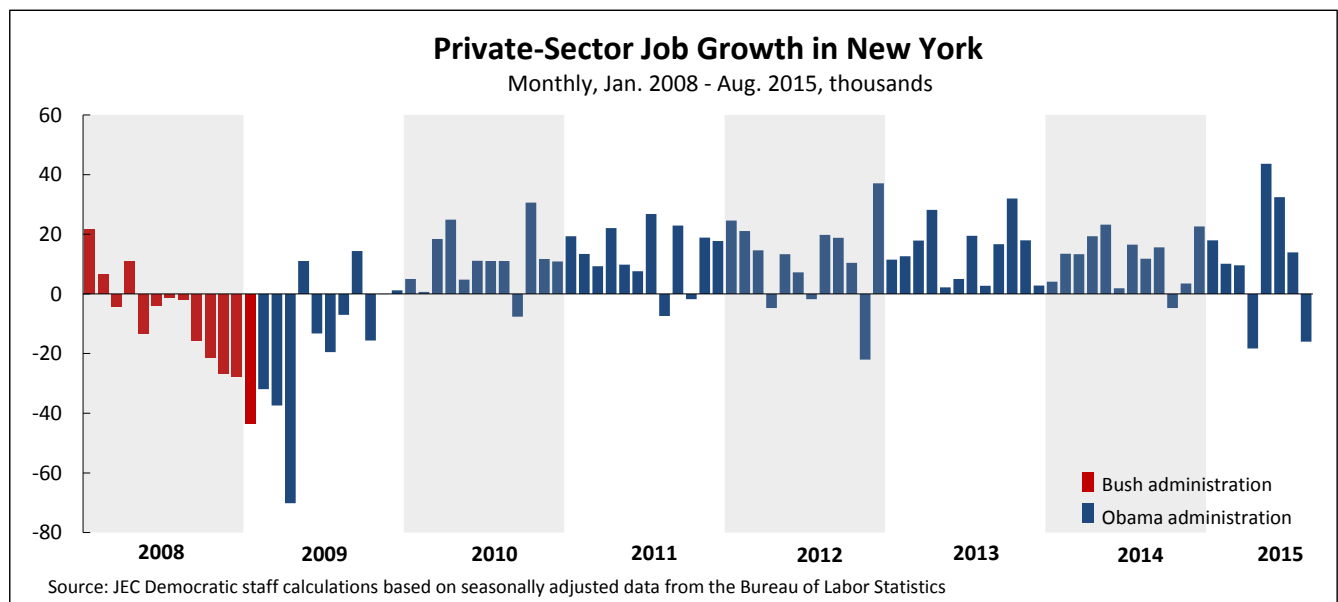


ECONOMIC SNAPSHOT: NEW YORK

***Includes Bureau of Labor Statistics jobs, unemployment and earnings data through August 2015**
Last updated on September 18th; Data update next on October 20th*

JOBS

- In August, private-sector employment in New York fell by 16,000 jobs. Over the past year, New York businesses have added 130,300 jobs. This compares with an increase of 173,100 jobs over the 12 months through August 2014.
- Since February 2010, the national low point for private-sector employment, New York businesses have added 826,800 jobs (an increase of 11.8 percent). Nationally, private payrolls have increased by 12.2 percent over this time.
- The state sectors with the greatest job gains in percentage terms since February 2010 are: leisure and hospitality at 21.7 percent (156,500 jobs), professional and business services at 16.1 percent (175,400 jobs) and construction at 15.6 percent (47,800 jobs).



UNEMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in New York was 5.2 percent in August 2015, down 0.2 percentage point from July. The rate was 0.1 percentage point above the national rate of 5.1 percent.
- Unemployment is down 0.8 percentage point from one year earlier and is 3.7 percentage points below its recent peak of 8.9 percent in December 2009.
- There were 501,800 New York residents unemployed in August 2015.

EARNINGS

- In August 2015, average hourly earnings of private-sector workers in New York were \$28.73. The average workweek was 34.2 hours, and average weekly earnings were \$982.57.
- Adjusting for inflation, state average hourly earnings have risen by 3.0 percent over the past year. Nationally, real average hourly earnings have increased by 2.7 percent (not seasonally adjusted).

STATE QUICK FACTS

		New York	United States
Private-Sector Jobs Added	Past 12 Months	130,300	2.8 million
	Since Feb. 2010	826,800	13.1 million
Unemployment Rate	August 2015	5.2%	5.1%
	August 2014	6.0%	6.1%
	Recession-Era Peak	8.9%	10.0%
Median Household Income (2014 \$)	2014	\$54,300	\$53,700
	2007 (Pre-Recession)	\$55,900	\$57,400
Poverty Rate	2014	14.0%	14.8%
	2007 (Pre-Recession)	14.5%	12.5%
All Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2014	5.8%	5.3%
Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate	2014	8.1%	7.2%
Percentage Without Health Insurance	2014	8.7%	11.7%
	2013	10.7%	14.5%

STATE GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT

- Real gross domestic product (GDP) in New York grew by 2.5 percent in 2014, above the national average growth rate of 2.2 percent.*
- Since 2009, annual New York GDP growth has averaged 2.3 percent, compared with a national average annual growth rate of 1.9 percent.

HOUSING

- Home prices in New York increased by 2.3 percent from the second quarter of 2014 to the second quarter of 2015. They are up 7.7 percent since their recent low in the fourth quarter of 2011.
- In July 2015, builders in New York broke ground on 56,930 new housing units (seasonally adjusted annual rate), bringing the average over the past 12 months to 53,767 units. That marks an increase of 56.5 percent from the average over the prior 12 months.

EXPORTS

- In New York, goods exports totaled \$6.3 billion in July and \$83.3 billion over the past year, up 10.4 percent from the 12 months ending in July 2014 (inflation-adjusted).
- Exports over the past 12 months are up 36.7 percent from their level in 2009 (inflation-adjusted).

* Note: Because of methodological differences, total U.S. real GDP by state differs slightly from headline national GDP figures

** A list of sources used to compile the New York economic snapshot is available at: <http://bit.ly/JEC-state-by-state-sources>

*** For additional New York-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the New York office: <http://www.labor.state.ny.us/stats/index.shtml>