

Rhode Island Employment Situation Summary

National Employment Data

- Since President Biden took office, 5,875,000 jobs have been created nationwide, an average of 588,000 created each month.
- In the month of November, the latest for which national data are available, 210,000 jobs were created, and the unemployment rate dropped to 4.2%, outperforming expectations and reaching a new pandemic-era low.
- The unemployment rate went down for adult men (4.0%), adult women (4.0%), white workers (3.7%), Asian workers (3.8%), Hispanic workers (5.2%) and Black workers (6.7%).

State Employment Data

- Since President Biden took office, 18,900 jobs have been created in Rhode Island.
- In the month of November, the latest for which state-level data are available, 2,300 jobs were created in Rhode Island.

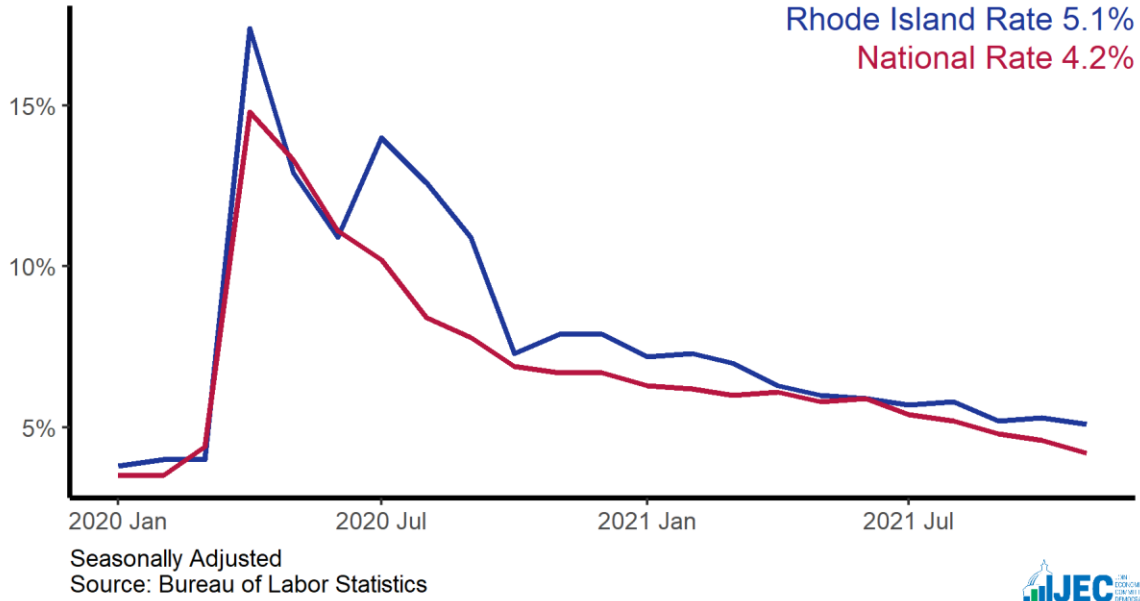
Sector	Change in Total Jobs in November	Jobs Recovered	Change in Total Jobs Since January
Total Nonfarm, Rhode Island	2,300	77%	18,900
Professional and Business Services, Rhode Island	800	66%	1,600
Leisure and Hospitality, Rhode Island	400	78%	6,500
Construction, Rhode Island	300	126%	1,700
Manufacturing, Rhode Island	200	115%	3,000
Government, Rhode Island	100	77%	2,800
Education and Health Services, Rhode Island	-200	57%	1,100
Retail Trade, Rhode Island	-400	79%	-600

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

Note: Positive change reflects net job creation. "Recovered" refers to the share of jobs recovered since the pandemic low point as a share of jobs lost during the pandemic. Jobs lost during the pandemic are measured as the difference between the number of jobs in the industry in February 2020 and the number at the "low point" of the pandemic--the month with the fewest people employed in a given industry. The month of the low point varies by industry.

Rhode Island Unemployment Rate

State and national unemployment rates, since January 2020



Rhode Island Jobs Recovery

Total employment since January 2020, in thousands

