

## Providence/Cranston Workforce Investment Area (WIA) 2022

### Providence - Cranston WIA Annual Average Labor Force Statistics

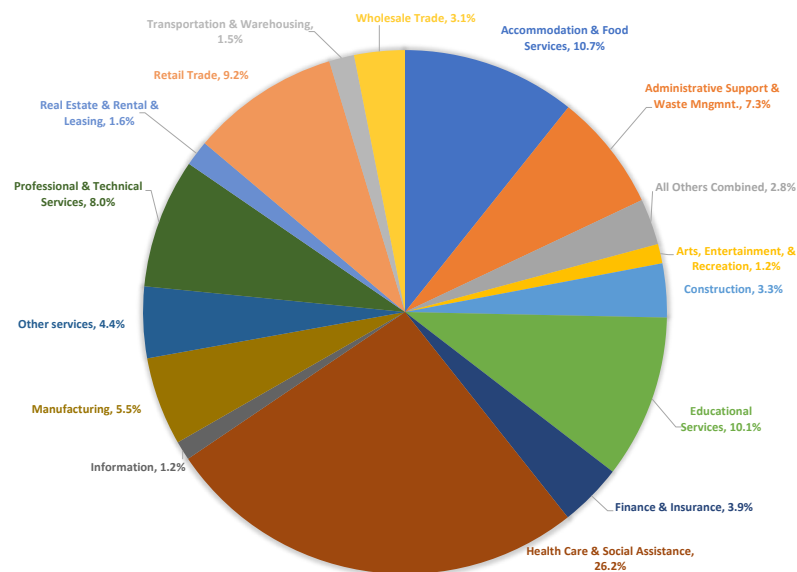
*Not Seasonally Adjusted*

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2020-2022		2021-2022	
					Change	% Change	Change	% Change
Labor Force	132,467	132,802	132,029	131,197	-1,605	-1.2%	-832	-0.6%
Employment	127,064	118,697	123,794	126,316	7,619	6.4%	2,522	2.0%
Unemployment	5,403	14,105	8,235	4,881	-9,224	-65.4%	-3,354	-40.7%
Unemployment Rate	4.1	10.6	6.2	3.7	-6.9	---	-2.5	---

The number of jobs located in the Providence/Cranston WIA averaged 145,103 in 2022, accounting for 30.1 percent of all Ocean State employment. In 2022, private sector employment in the Providence/Cranston WIA averaged 123,179, an increase of 4,488 (+3.2%) from the 2021 employment level.

Between 2020 and 2022, the Arts, Entertainment & Recreation sector added 511 jobs, the highest percentage increase (+53.0%), while Accommodation & Food Services had the largest numerical increase (+3,276). Information (-13.2%) was the sector that experienced the worst percentage decline since 2020 in the Providence/Cranston area. The 2022 annual average private sector wage was \$64,422 in the Providence/Cranston WIA, an increase of \$2,465 (+4.0%) from the 2021 annual wage. Utilities led all of the Providence/Cranston area employment sectors with a 2022 annual wage of \$131,904. The lowest annual average private sector wages were reported in Accommodation & Food Services (\$28,640).

### Total Private Sector Employment in the WIA by Industry Sector



### Providence/Cranston WIA Covered Employment

*Annual Average Employment*

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2020-2022		2021-2022	
					Change	% Change	Change	% Change
Total, Private Sector & Government	150,665	137,374	140,615	145,103	7,729	5.6%	4,488	3.2%
Total, Private Sector only	128,492	115,406	118,993	123,179	7,773	6.7%	4,186	3.5%
Construction	3,909	3,607	3,876	4,089	482	13.4%	213	5.5%
Manufacturing	7,096	6,311	6,716	6,721	410	6.5%	5	0.1%
Wholesale Trade	4,529	3,895	3,873	3,846	-49	-1.3%	-27	-0.7%
Retail Trade	11,779	10,488	10,987	11,315	827	7.9%	328	3.0%
Transportation & Warehousing	1,665	2,155	2,034	1,904	-251	-11.6%	-130	-6.4%
Information	1,950	1,670	1,514	1,450	-220	-13.2%	-64	-4.2%
Finance & Insurance	5,335	4,918	4,735	4,804	-114	-2.3%	69	1.5%
Real Estate & Rental & Leasing	1,988	1,744	1,735	1,942	198	11.4%	207	11.9%
Professional, Scientific & Technical Svcs.	9,199	8,886	9,583	9,854	968	10.9%	271	2.8%
Management of Companies	2,902	2,806	2,755	*	*	*	*	*
Administrative & Waste Services	10,612	8,995	9,241	8,935	-60	-0.7%	-306	-3.3%
Educational Services	12,950	12,264	*	12,430	166	1.4%	*	*
Health Care & Social Assistance	33,075	31,387	31,640	32,278	891	2.8%	638	2.0%
Arts, Entertainment & Recreation	1,485	964	1139.25	1,475	511	53.0%	336	29.5%
Accommodation & Food Services	13,705	9,928	11,608	13,204	3,276	33.0%	1,596	13.7%
Other Services	5,694	4,757	4,957	5,423	666	14.0%	466	9.4%
Government	22,173	21,969	21,622	21,925	-44	-0.2%	303	1.4%

*Employment changes may be influenced by non-economic code changes resulting from industry revisions and/or changes in employers' reporting methods.*

*Data is subject to revision and may not add due to rounding. Data in Educational Services and Management of Companies are suppressed due to secondary confidentiality requirements.*

In April 2022, 23.7 percent of the 1,859 individuals collecting long-term unemployment insurance benefits in the state were residents of the Providence/Cranston WIA.

Long-term unemployment, that is, unemployment spells of fifteen weeks or longer, was lower among Providence/Cranston area residents (26.8%) than in the state (29.1%) as a whole. Workers under 25 years of age living in the Providence/Cranston area were less likely to face long-term unemployment (19.4%) than their counterparts statewide (19.9%).

More than a half (52.2%) of the Providence/Cranston area residents collecting long-term unemployment insurance benefits were between the ages of 25 and 44 years of age.

Unemployed Providence/Cranston area residents with a high school degree or less (63.9%) collected long-term unemployment at a higher rate than the same group in the state (58.8%) as a whole.

More than one quarter of the long-term unemployed Providence-Cranston WIA residents collecting benefits were previously employed in Administrative & Waste Services (26.1%), followed by Construction (14.5%) and Health Care & Social Assistance (10.0%).

Almost 10 percent of the long-term unemployed Providence/Cranston residents collecting benefits in April 2022 were previously employed in Office & Administrative Support (9.8%).

## Characteristics of the Insured Unemployed

*Living in the Providence/Cranston WIA  
April 2022*

	Total	Percent of Total	Long Term	Percent Long-Term
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,648</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>441</b>	<b>26.8%</b>
Male	935	56.7%	272	29.1%
Female	713	43.3%	169	23.7%
<b>Age</b>	<b>1,648</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>441</b>	<b>26.8%</b>
Under 25	155	9.4%	30	19.4%
25 - 34	478	29.0%	114	23.8%
35 - 44	378	22.9%	116	30.7%
45 - 54	291	17.7%	94	32.3%
55 - 59	153	9.3%	43	28.1%
60 - 64	105	6.4%	24	22.9%
65 and up	88	5.3%	20	22.7%
<b>Education</b>	<b>1,648</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>441</b>	<b>26.8%</b>
Less than 9th Grade	109	6.6%	39	35.8%
9th to 12th, no diploma	183	11.1%	51	27.9%
High School Graduate	718	43.6%	192	26.7%
Some College	346	21.0%	88	25.4%
Bachelor's Degree	143	8.7%	35	24.5%
Beyond Bachelor's	134	8.1%	29	21.6%
Unknown	15	0.9%	7	46.7%
<b>Selected Industries</b>	<b>1,648</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>441</b>	<b>26.8%</b>
Construction	214	13.0%	64	29.9%
Manufacturing	173	10.5%	37	21.4%
Wholesale Trade	52	3.2%	10	19.2%
Retail Trade	123	7.5%	29	23.6%
Transportation & Warehousing	81	4.9%	16	19.8%
Finance & Insurance	76	4.6%	18	23.7%
Professional & Tech. Services	70	4.2%	16	22.9%
Administrative & Waste Services	341	20.7%	115	33.7%
Educational Services	30	1.8%	8	26.7%
Health Care & Social Assistance	182	11.0%	44	24.2%
Arts, Entertainment & Recreation	27	1.6%	15	55.6%
Accommodation & Food Services	134	8.1%	33	24.6%
Other Services	40	2.4%	9	22.5%
All Other Industries	105	6.4%	27	25.7%
<b>Selected Occupations</b>	<b>1,648</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>441</b>	<b>26.8%</b>
Management	64	3.9%	19	29.7%
Business & Financial Operations	44	2.7%	9	20.5%
Education, Training & Library	11	0.7%	4	36.4%
Healthcare Practitioner & Technical	23	1.4%	4	17.4%
Healthcare Support	49	3.0%	6	12.2%
Food Preparation & Serving Related	82	5.0%	24	29.3%
Bldg. & Grounds Cleaning & Maint.	71	4.3%	33	46.5%
Personal Care & Service	21	1.3%	4	19.0%
Sales & Related	57	3.5%	11	19.3%
Office & Administrative Support	193	11.7%	43	22.3%
Construction & Extraction	66	4.0%	15	22.7%
Installation, Maintenance & Repair	28	1.7%	5	17.9%
Production	150	9.1%	23	15.3%
Transportation & Material Moving	126	7.6%	20	15.9%
All Other Occupations	663	40.2%	221	33.3%

According to the latest American Community Survey (ACS) 5-Year Estimates, the White population accounts for 46.9 percent of Providence/Cranston's population compared to 70.5 percent of the state's total household population.

Over one-third (35.6%) of Providence/Cranston residents are of Hispanic or Latino origin, while the Hispanic/Latino population make up approximately 17.6 percent of the state's total household population.

The ACS indicates 83.1 percent of Providence/Cranston's household population (age 25 and older) have a high school diploma or equivalent or higher. However, 16.8 percent of Providence/Cranston residents do not have a high school diploma, compared to 9.5 percent statewide.

The ACS commuting pattern data show that approximately 56.6 percent of Providence/Cranston residents held jobs that were located in the Providence/Cranston WIA.

Eighty-eight percent of Providence/Cranston residents worked within Rhode Island borders, while 10.6 percent commuted to a job in neighboring Massachusetts.

Approximately 40.8 percent of the jobs located in the Providence/Cranston WIA were held by individuals residing in the WIA. Rhode Islanders held 88.4 percent of the jobs located in Providence/Cranston, while Massachusetts residents accounted for 9.7 percent of the WIA workers.

<b>Providence/Cranston WIA</b>		
<i>Race &amp; Ethnicity, 2022</i>		
<b>Total Population</b>	<b>272,265</b>	
One race (of any origin)	223,440	82.1%
White	127,639	46.9%
Black or African American	23,824	8.8%
American Indian and Alaska Native	1,636	0.6%
Asian	16,631	6.1%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	618	0.2%
Some other race	53,092	19.5%
Two or more races (of any origin)	48,825	17.9%
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	96,856	35.6%
<i>Educational Attainment, 2022</i>		
<b>Total Population (Age 25+)</b>	<b>181,248</b>	
Less than 9th grade	14,749	8.1%
9th to 12th grade, no diploma	15,825	8.7%
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	47,906	26.4%
Some college, no degree	28,205	15.6%
Associate's degree	12,563	6.9%
Bachelor's degree	34,931	19.3%
Graduate or professional degree	27,069	14.9%
Source: American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates, 2022		

<b>Where Providence/Cranston WIA Residents Work</b>			<b>Where Providence/Cranston WIA Workers Live</b>		
<b>Total</b>	<b>115,224</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>159,680</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
Providence, RI	50,212	43.6%	Providence, RI	45,580	28.5%
Cranston, RI	14,936	13.0%	Cranston, RI	19,568	12.3%
Warwick, RI	7,819	6.8%	Warwick, RI	10,833	6.8%
Pawtucket, RI	4,115	3.6%	Pawtucket, RI	7,554	4.7%
East Providence, RI	3,195	2.8%	East Providence, RI	6,954	4.4%
Johnston, RI	2,854	2.5%	Johnston, RI	5,744	3.6%
Lincoln, RI	2,175	1.9%	North Providence, RI	5,575	3.5%
Boston, MA	2,167	1.9%	Coventry, RI	3,582	2.2%
Woonsocket, RI	1,880	1.6%	Cumberland, RI	3,221	2.0%
Smithfield, RI	1,833	1.6%	Smithfield, RI	3,147	2.0%
Other Communities	24,038	20.9%	Other Communities	47,922	30.0%
<i>Providence/Cranston WIA Residents Work in the State of:</i>			<i>Providence/Cranston WIA Workers Live in the State of:</i>		
<b>Total</b>	<b>115,224</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>159,680</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
Rhode Island	101,393	88.0%	Rhode Island	141,208	88.4%
Massachusetts	12,160	10.6%	Massachusetts	15,486	9.7%
Connecticut	812	0.7%	Connecticut	1,907	1.2%
Other State/Country	859	0.7%	Other State/Country	1,079	0.7%
Source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey 2011-2015 (next year's publication will include the 2016-2020 data that is yet to be released.)					

