

**New England Labor Force Statistics  
Seasonally Adjusted  
1976 - Present**

|               | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr  | May  | Jun  | Jul  | Aug  | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec |
|---------------|-----|-----|-----|------|------|------|------|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| <b>2024</b>   |     |     |     |      |      |      |      |      |     |     |     |     |
| Connecticut   | 4.4 | 4.5 | 4.5 | 4.4  | 4.3  |      |      |      |     |     |     |     |
| Maine         | 3.4 | 3.4 | 3.3 | 3.1  | 3.0  |      |      |      |     |     |     |     |
| Massachusetts | 3.0 | 2.9 | 2.9 | 2.9  | 3.0  |      |      |      |     |     |     |     |
| New Hampshire | 2.6 | 2.6 | 2.6 | 2.6  | 2.5  |      |      |      |     |     |     |     |
| Rhode Island  | 3.6 | 3.9 | 4.1 | 4.1  | 4.3  |      |      |      |     |     |     |     |
| Vermont       | 2.3 | 2.3 | 2.2 | 2.1  | 2.1  |      |      |      |     |     |     |     |
| New England   | 3.4 | 3.4 | 3.3 | 3.3  | 3.4  |      |      |      |     |     |     |     |
| United States | 3.7 | 3.9 | 3.8 | 3.9  | 4.0  |      |      |      |     |     |     |     |
| <b>2023</b>   |     |     |     |      |      |      |      |      |     |     |     |     |
| Connecticut   | 3.6 | 3.5 | 3.4 | 3.3  | 3.3  | 3.4  | 3.6  | 3.8  | 4.0 | 4.2 | 4.2 | 4.2 |
| Maine         | 2.5 | 2.4 | 2.4 | 2.4  | 2.5  | 2.6  | 2.8  | 3.0  | 3.2 | 3.4 | 3.4 | 3.4 |
| Massachusetts | 3.5 | 3.6 | 3.5 | 3.2  | 3.3  | 3.3  | 3.2  | 3.3  | 3.3 | 3.4 | 3.3 | 3.2 |
| New Hampshire | 2.0 | 1.9 | 1.8 | 1.8  | 1.8  | 2.0  | 2.1  | 2.3  | 2.5 | 2.6 | 2.6 | 2.6 |
| Rhode Island  | 2.9 | 2.8 | 2.7 | 2.7  | 2.6  | 2.6  | 2.7  | 2.9  | 3.2 | 3.4 | 3.4 | 3.4 |
| Vermont       | 2.1 | 1.9 | 1.8 | 1.7  | 1.7  | 1.8  | 1.9  | 2.1  | 2.2 | 2.3 | 2.3 | 2.3 |
| New England   | 3.2 | 3.2 | 3.1 | 3.0  | 3.0  | 3.0  | 3.1  | 3.2  | 3.3 | 3.4 | 3.4 | 3.3 |
| United States | 3.4 | 3.6 | 3.5 | 3.4  | 3.7  | 3.6  | 3.5  | 3.8  | 3.8 | 3.8 | 3.7 | 3.7 |
| <b>2022</b>   |     |     |     |      |      |      |      |      |     |     |     |     |
| Connecticut   | 4.9 | 4.6 | 4.4 | 4.3  | 4.1  | 4.0  | 3.9  | 3.8  | 3.8 | 3.8 | 3.8 | 3.7 |
| Maine         | 3.7 | 3.3 | 3.0 | 2.8  | 2.7  | 2.6  | 2.6  | 2.5  | 2.7 | 2.8 | 2.8 | 2.7 |
| Massachusetts | 3.9 | 3.8 | 3.6 | 3.6  | 3.7  | 3.6  | 3.6  | 3.7  | 3.6 | 3.7 | 3.6 | 3.5 |
| New Hampshire | 2.3 | 2.3 | 2.2 | 2.2  | 2.2  | 2.2  | 2.3  | 2.3  | 2.4 | 2.4 | 2.3 | 2.2 |
| Rhode Island  | 3.5 | 3.3 | 3.1 | 3.0  | 3.0  | 3.1  | 3.2  | 3.3  | 3.2 | 3.2 | 3.1 | 3.0 |
| Vermont       | 2.4 | 2.3 | 2.2 | 2.2  | 2.2  | 2.2  | 2.3  | 2.4  | 2.5 | 2.5 | 2.4 | 2.3 |
| New England   | 3.9 | 3.7 | 3.5 | 3.5  | 3.4  | 3.4  | 3.4  | 3.4  | 3.4 | 3.4 | 3.4 | 3.3 |
| United States | 4.0 | 3.8 | 3.6 | 3.7  | 3.6  | 3.6  | 3.5  | 3.6  | 3.5 | 3.6 | 3.6 | 3.5 |
| <b>2021</b>   |     |     |     |      |      |      |      |      |     |     |     |     |
| Connecticut   | 7.1 | 7.1 | 7.0 | 7.1  | 6.9  | 6.8  | 6.5  | 6.2  | 5.9 | 5.6 | 5.3 | 5.1 |
| Maine         | 4.4 | 4.7 | 4.9 | 5.1  | 5.0  | 5.1  | 4.9  | 4.8  | 4.6 | 4.4 | 4.2 | 3.9 |
| Massachusetts | 6.9 | 6.5 | 6.2 | 6.1  | 5.7  | 5.7  | 5.3  | 5.1  | 4.7 | 4.5 | 4.2 | 3.9 |
| New Hampshire | 4.2 | 4.1 | 4.0 | 3.9  | 3.7  | 3.6  | 3.4  | 3.2  | 3.0 | 2.8 | 2.6 | 2.4 |
| Rhode Island  | 6.6 | 6.4 | 6.2 | 6.2  | 6.0  | 6.0  | 5.8  | 5.5  | 5.1 | 4.6 | 4.1 | 3.7 |
| Vermont       | 4.4 | 4.4 | 4.4 | 4.2  | 3.9  | 3.7  | 3.4  | 3.2  | 3.1 | 2.9 | 2.8 | 2.6 |
| New England   | 6.4 | 6.2 | 6.0 | 5.9  | 5.7  | 5.6  | 5.3  | 5.1  | 4.8 | 4.5 | 4.2 | 4.0 |
| United States | 6.4 | 6.2 | 6.1 | 6.1  | 5.8  | 5.9  | 5.4  | 5.1  | 4.7 | 4.5 | 4.1 | 3.9 |
| <b>2020</b>   |     |     |     |      |      |      |      |      |     |     |     |     |
| Connecticut   | 3.8 | 3.8 | 3.9 | 8.3  | 11.8 | 11.5 | 11.7 | 9.6  | 8.8 | 7.9 | 7.5 | 7.4 |
| Maine         | 3.2 | 3.2 | 3.2 | 9.3  | 9.5  | 6.6  | 6.3  | 4.2  | 4.0 | 3.8 | 3.9 | 4.2 |
| Massachusetts | 3.0 | 3.0 | 3.0 | 17.4 | 14.9 | 14.5 | 12.6 | 10.4 | 9.7 | 8.5 | 7.9 | 7.6 |
| New Hampshire | 2.6 | 2.6 | 2.6 | 16.0 | 11.8 | 9.6  | 8.3  | 6.7  | 6.1 | 5.2 | 4.8 | 4.6 |
| Rhode Island  | 3.6 | 3.7 | 3.7 | 17.9 | 15.4 | 13.3 | 12.2 | 10.3 | 9.9 | 7.0 | 7.0 | 6.9 |
| Vermont       | 2.0 | 2.1 | 2.4 | 14.1 | 9.5  | 7.8  | 6.7  | 5.5  | 4.9 | 4.4 | 4.2 | 4.3 |
| New England   | 3.1 | 3.2 | 3.3 | 14.2 | 13.2 | 12.3 | 11.2 | 9.2  | 8.4 | 7.3 | 6.9 | 6.8 |
| United States | 3.6 | 3.5 | 4.4 | 14.8 | 13.2 | 11.0 | 10.2 | 8.4  | 7.8 | 6.8 | 6.7 | 6.7 |

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|---------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| <b>2019</b>   |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |
| Connecticut   | 3.7        | 3.6        | 3.6        | 3.5        | 3.5        | 3.5        | 3.5        | 3.6        | 3.6        | 3.6        | 3.7        | 3.7        |
| Maine         | 3.1        | 3.0        | 2.9        | 2.8        | 2.7        | 2.7        | 2.8        | 2.8        | 2.9        | 3.0        | 3.1        | 3.1        |
| Massachusetts | 3.2        | 3.2        | 3.1        | 3.1        | 3.0        | 3.0        | 3.0        | 3.0        | 3.0        | 2.9        | 2.9        | 2.9        |
| New Hampshire | 2.6        | 2.6        | 2.6        | 2.6        | 2.5        | 2.5        | 2.5        | 2.6        | 2.6        | 2.6        | 2.6        | 2.6        |
| Rhode Island  | 3.8        | 3.7        | 3.6        | 3.5        | 3.5        | 3.5        | 3.5        | 3.5        | 3.5        | 3.4        | 3.4        | 3.5        |
| Vermont       | 2.3        | 2.2        | 2.1        | 2.0        | 2.0        | 1.9        | 2.0        | 2.0        | 2.1        | 2.1        | 2.1        | 2.0        |
| New England   | 3.3        | 3.2        | 3.2        | 3.1        | 3.0        | 3.0        | 3.0        | 3.0        | 3.1        | 3.1        | 3.1        | 3.1        |
| United States | 4.0        | 3.8        | 3.8        | 3.7        | 3.6        | 3.6        | 3.7        | 3.6        | 3.5        | 3.6        | 3.6        | 3.6        |
| <b>2018</b>   |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |
| Connecticut   | 4.2        | 4.1        | 4.1        | 4.0        | 3.9        | 3.9        | 3.8        | 3.8        | 3.7        | 3.7        | 3.7        | 3.7        |
| Maine         | 3.1        | 3.0        | 3.0        | 3.0        | 3.1        | 3.2        | 3.3        | 3.3        | 3.3        | 3.3        | 3.3        | 3.2        |
| Massachusetts | 3.7        | 3.7        | 3.6        | 3.6        | 3.5        | 3.5        | 3.4        | 3.4        | 3.4        | 3.3        | 3.3        | 3.3        |
| New Hampshire | 2.7        | 2.7        | 2.7        | 2.7        | 2.7        | 2.6        | 2.6        | 2.6        | 2.5        | 2.5        | 2.6        | 2.6        |
| Rhode Island  | 4.5        | 4.4        | 4.2        | 4.1        | 4.0        | 3.9        | 3.9        | 3.9        | 3.9        | 3.9        | 3.9        | 3.8        |
| Vermont       | 2.8        | 2.7        | 2.7        | 2.6        | 2.5        | 2.4        | 2.4        | 2.3        | 2.3        | 2.4        | 2.4        | 2.3        |
| New England   | 3.7        | 3.6        | 3.6        | 3.5        | 3.5        | 3.5        | 3.4        | 3.4        | 3.4        | 3.3        | 3.3        | 3.3        |
| United States | 4.0        | 4.1        | 4.0        | 4.0        | 3.8        | 4.0        | 3.8        | 3.8        | 3.7        | 3.8        | 3.8        | 3.9        |
| <b>2017</b>   |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |
| Connecticut   | 4.6        | 4.5        | 4.5        | 4.5        | 4.4        | 4.4        | 4.4        | 4.4        | 4.4        | 4.3        | 4.3        | 4.3        |
| Maine         | 3.5        | 3.4        | 3.4        | 3.4        | 3.4        | 3.4        | 3.4        | 3.4        | 3.4        | 3.3        | 3.2        | 3.1        |
| Massachusetts | 3.8        | 3.8        | 3.8        | 3.8        | 3.8        | 3.8        | 3.8        | 3.8        | 3.8        | 3.8        | 3.8        | 3.7        |
| New Hampshire | 2.9        | 2.9        | 2.8        | 2.8        | 2.8        | 2.7        | 2.8        | 2.8        | 2.8        | 2.8        | 2.8        | 2.8        |
| Rhode Island  | 4.6        | 4.5        | 4.5        | 4.4        | 4.4        | 4.4        | 4.5        | 4.5        | 4.6        | 4.6        | 4.6        | 4.5        |
| Vermont       | 3.1        | 3.1        | 3.1        | 3.1        | 3.0        | 3.0        | 2.9        | 2.9        | 2.9        | 3.0        | 3.0        | 3.0        |
| New England   | 3.9        | 3.9        | 3.9        | 3.9        | 3.8        | 3.8        | 3.8        | 3.8        | 3.8        | 3.8        | 3.8        | 3.7        |
| United States | 4.7        | 4.6        | 4.4        | 4.4        | 4.4        | 4.3        | 4.3        | 4.4        | 4.3        | 4.2        | 4.2        | 4.1        |
| <b>2016</b>   |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |
| Connecticut   | 5.2        | 5.2        | 5.1        | 5.0        | 4.9        | 4.9        | 4.8        | 4.7        | 4.7        | 4.7        | 4.6        | 4.6        |
| Maine         | 4.0        | 3.9        | 3.9        | 3.9        | 3.8        | 3.8        | 3.8        | 3.7        | 3.7        | 3.7        | 3.6        | 3.5        |
| Massachusetts | 4.4        | 4.3        | 4.2        | 4.1        | 4.1        | 4.0        | 3.9        | 3.9        | 3.9        | 3.9        | 3.9        | 3.9        |
| New Hampshire | 2.9        | 2.9        | 2.8        | 2.8        | 2.9        | 2.9        | 2.9        | 2.9        | 2.9        | 2.9        | 2.9        | 2.9        |
| Rhode Island  | 5.6        | 5.5        | 5.4        | 5.4        | 5.4        | 5.3        | 5.3        | 5.2        | 5.1        | 5.0        | 4.9        | 4.8        |
| Vermont       | 3.2        | 3.2        | 3.2        | 3.1        | 3.1        | 3.1        | 3.1        | 3.1        | 3.1        | 3.1        | 3.1        | 3.1        |
| New England   | 4.4        | 4.4        | 4.3        | 4.2        | 4.2        | 4.1        | 4.1        | 4.0        | 4.0        | 4.0        | 4.0        | 3.9        |
| United States | 4.8        | 4.9        | 5.0        | 5.1        | 4.8        | 4.9        | 4.8        | 4.9        | 5.0        | 4.9        | 4.7        | 4.7        |
| <b>2015</b>   |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |
| Connecticut   | 6.0        | 5.9        | 5.8        | 5.8        | 5.7        | 5.6        | 5.6        | 5.5        | 5.4        | 5.4        | 5.4        | 5.3        |
| Maine         | 4.9        | 4.8        | 4.7        | 4.6        | 4.5        | 4.4        | 4.3        | 4.2        | 4.1        | 4.1        | 4.0        | 4.0        |
| Massachusetts | 5.2        | 5.1        | 5.0        | 5.0        | 4.9        | 4.8        | 4.7        | 4.7        | 4.6        | 4.6        | 4.5        | 4.4        |
| New Hampshire | 3.8        | 3.8        | 3.7        | 3.6        | 3.5        | 3.4        | 3.3        | 3.3        | 3.2        | 3.1        | 3.0        | 3.0        |
| Rhode Island  | 6.6        | 6.5        | 6.4        | 6.3        | 6.2        | 6.0        | 5.9        | 5.8        | 5.7        | 5.7        | 5.6        | 5.6        |
| Vermont       | 3.8        | 3.7        | 3.7        | 3.6        | 3.6        | 3.5        | 3.5        | 3.5        | 3.4        | 3.4        | 3.4        | 3.3        |
| New England   | 5.2        | 5.2        | 5.1        | 5.0        | 5.0        | 4.9        | 4.8        | 4.7        | 4.7        | 4.6        | 4.6        | 4.5        |
| United States | 5.7        | 5.5        | 5.4        | 5.4        | 5.6        | 5.3        | 5.2        | 5.1        | 5.0        | 5.0        | 5.1        | 5.0        |

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| <b>2014</b>   |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |
| Connecticut   | 7.2  | 7.1  | 6.9  | 6.8  | 6.7  | 6.6  | 6.6  | 6.5  | 6.4  | 6.3  | 6.2  | 6.1  |
| Maine         | 6.1  | 6.0  | 5.9  | 5.8  | 5.7  | 5.6  | 5.5  | 5.4  | 5.3  | 5.2  | 5.2  | 5.0  |
| Massachusetts | 6.2  | 6.1  | 6.0  | 5.9  | 5.9  | 5.8  | 5.7  | 5.6  | 5.6  | 5.5  | 5.4  | 5.2  |
| New Hampshire | 4.8  | 4.7  | 4.6  | 4.5  | 4.4  | 4.3  | 4.3  | 4.2  | 4.1  | 4.1  | 4.0  | 3.9  |
| Rhode Island  | 8.9  | 8.7  | 8.5  | 8.3  | 8.0  | 7.8  | 7.6  | 7.4  | 7.3  | 7.1  | 6.9  | 6.7  |
| Vermont       | 4.1  | 4.0  | 4.0  | 4.0  | 4.0  | 4.0  | 4.0  | 4.0  | 4.0  | 4.0  | 3.9  | 3.9  |
| New England   | 6.4  | 6.3  | 6.2  | 6.1  | 6.0  | 5.9  | 5.8  | 5.7  | 5.7  | 5.6  | 5.5  | 5.3  |
| United States | 6.6  | 6.7  | 6.7  | 6.2  | 6.3  | 6.1  | 6.2  | 6.1  | 5.9  | 5.7  | 5.8  | 5.6  |
| <b>2013</b>   |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |
| Connecticut   | 8.3  | 8.3  | 8.2  | 8.2  | 8.1  | 8.1  | 8.0  | 7.9  | 7.8  | 7.6  | 7.5  | 7.4  |
| Maine         | 7.1  | 7.0  | 7.0  | 6.9  | 6.8  | 6.7  | 6.7  | 6.6  | 6.5  | 6.4  | 6.3  | 6.2  |
| Massachusetts | 6.7  | 6.8  | 6.8  | 6.8  | 6.7  | 6.7  | 6.7  | 6.7  | 6.6  | 6.5  | 6.4  | 6.3  |
| New Hampshire | 5.6  | 5.5  | 5.5  | 5.4  | 5.3  | 5.2  | 5.2  | 5.2  | 5.1  | 5.1  | 5.0  | 4.9  |
| Rhode Island  | 9.6  | 9.5  | 9.5  | 9.5  | 9.5  | 9.6  | 9.6  | 9.6  | 9.5  | 9.4  | 9.3  | 9.1  |
| Vermont       | 4.6  | 4.6  | 4.6  | 4.5  | 4.5  | 4.5  | 4.4  | 4.4  | 4.3  | 4.3  | 4.2  | 4.1  |
| New England   | 7.1  | 7.1  | 7.1  | 7.1  | 7.0  | 7.0  | 7.0  | 6.9  | 6.8  | 6.7  | 6.6  | 6.5  |
| United States | 8.0  | 7.7  | 7.5  | 7.6  | 7.5  | 7.5  | 7.3  | 7.2  | 7.2  | 7.2  | 6.9  | 6.7  |
| <b>2012</b>   |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |
| Connecticut   | 8.4  | 8.3  | 8.3  | 8.4  | 8.4  | 8.4  | 8.4  | 8.4  | 8.4  | 8.3  | 8.3  | 8.3  |
| Maine         | 7.2  | 7.2  | 7.2  | 7.2  | 7.3  | 7.3  | 7.2  | 7.2  | 7.2  | 7.1  | 7.1  | 7.1  |
| Massachusetts | 6.7  | 6.7  | 6.7  | 6.7  | 6.7  | 6.7  | 6.7  | 6.7  | 6.7  | 6.7  | 6.7  | 6.7  |
| New Hampshire | 5.2  | 5.2  | 5.3  | 5.4  | 5.4  | 5.5  | 5.6  | 5.6  | 5.6  | 5.6  | 5.6  | 5.6  |
| Rhode Island  | 10.7 | 10.6 | 10.5 | 10.5 | 10.4 | 10.4 | 10.3 | 10.1 | 10.0 | 9.8  | 9.7  | 9.6  |
| Vermont       | 4.9  | 4.9  | 4.8  | 4.9  | 4.9  | 4.9  | 4.9  | 4.8  | 4.8  | 4.7  | 4.7  | 4.6  |
| New England   | 7.2  | 7.2  | 7.2  | 7.2  | 7.2  | 7.3  | 7.2  | 7.2  | 7.2  | 7.2  | 7.2  | 7.1  |
| United States | 8.3  | 8.3  | 8.2  | 8.2  | 8.2  | 8.2  | 8.2  | 8.1  | 7.8  | 7.8  | 7.7  | 7.9  |
| <b>2011</b>   |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |
| Connecticut   | 9.4  | 9.4  | 9.3  | 9.2  | 9.2  | 9.1  | 9.0  | 9.0  | 8.8  | 8.7  | 8.6  | 8.5  |
| Maine         | 8.1  | 8.0  | 7.9  | 7.8  | 7.8  | 7.8  | 7.8  | 7.7  | 7.6  | 7.5  | 7.4  | 7.3  |
| Massachusetts | 7.6  | 7.5  | 7.4  | 7.4  | 7.3  | 7.3  | 7.2  | 7.2  | 7.1  | 7.0  | 6.9  | 6.8  |
| New Hampshire | 5.6  | 5.5  | 5.4  | 5.4  | 5.5  | 5.5  | 5.5  | 5.5  | 5.5  | 5.4  | 5.3  | 5.3  |
| Rhode Island  | 11.2 | 11.1 | 11.0 | 11.0 | 11.0 | 11.0 | 11.0 | 11.0 | 11.0 | 11.0 | 11.0 | 10.9 |
| Vermont       | 6.0  | 5.9  | 5.9  | 5.8  | 5.7  | 5.7  | 5.6  | 5.5  | 5.4  | 5.2  | 5.1  | 5.0  |
| New England   | 8.1  | 8.0  | 7.9  | 7.9  | 7.8  | 7.8  | 7.8  | 7.7  | 7.6  | 7.5  | 7.4  | 7.3  |
| United States | 9.1  | 9.0  | 9.0  | 9.1  | 9.0  | 9.1  | 9.0  | 9.0  | 9.0  | 8.8  | 8.6  | 8.5  |
| <b>2010</b>   |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |
| Connecticut   | 9.5  | 9.6  | 9.7  | 9.6  | 9.6  | 9.5  | 9.5  | 9.5  | 9.5  | 9.6  | 9.6  | 9.5  |
| Maine         | 8.7  | 8.7  | 8.7  | 8.6  | 8.5  | 8.3  | 8.3  | 8.3  | 8.3  | 8.3  | 8.2  | 8.1  |
| Massachusetts | 8.5  | 8.4  | 8.4  | 8.3  | 8.1  | 8.0  | 7.9  | 7.9  | 7.9  | 7.8  | 7.8  | 7.7  |
| New Hampshire | 6.7  | 6.6  | 6.5  | 6.3  | 6.1  | 6.0  | 5.9  | 5.8  | 5.8  | 5.8  | 5.8  | 5.7  |
| Rhode Island  | 11.8 | 11.9 | 11.8 | 11.8 | 11.7 | 11.6 | 11.5 | 11.5 | 11.5 | 11.5 | 11.5 | 11.4 |
| Vermont       | 6.7  | 6.6  | 6.6  | 6.5  | 6.4  | 6.3  | 6.2  | 6.1  | 6.1  | 6.1  | 6.1  | 6.1  |
| New England   | 8.8  | 8.7  | 8.7  | 8.6  | 8.5  | 8.4  | 8.3  | 8.3  | 8.3  | 8.3  | 8.3  | 8.2  |
| United States | 9.8  | 9.8  | 9.9  | 9.9  | 9.6  | 9.4  | 9.4  | 9.5  | 9.5  | 9.4  | 9.8  | 9.3  |

Source: US Bureau of Labor Statistics

**New England Labor Force Statistics  
Seasonally Adjusted  
1976 - Present**

|               | Jan  | Feb  | Mar  | Apr  | May  | Jun  | Jul  | Aug  | Sep  | Oct  | Nov  | Dec  |
|---------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| <b>2009</b>   |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |
| Connecticut   | 7.1  | 7.4  | 7.7  | 7.9  | 8.1  | 8.3  | 8.4  | 8.6  | 8.8  | 9.0  | 9.2  | 9.4  |
| Maine         | 7.5  | 7.9  | 8.3  | 8.5  | 8.5  | 8.6  | 8.5  | 8.5  | 8.5  | 8.6  | 8.6  | 8.7  |
| Massachusetts | 7.0  | 7.4  | 7.7  | 7.9  | 8.1  | 8.2  | 8.3  | 8.4  | 8.4  | 8.5  | 8.5  | 8.5  |
| New Hampshire | 5.0  | 5.3  | 5.7  | 5.9  | 6.1  | 6.3  | 6.4  | 6.5  | 6.5  | 6.6  | 6.7  | 6.7  |
| Rhode Island  | 10.2 | 10.7 | 11.2 | 11.4 | 11.6 | 11.6 | 11.6 | 11.6 | 11.6 | 11.7 | 11.7 | 11.8 |
| Vermont       | 5.5  | 5.7  | 5.9  | 6.1  | 6.1  | 6.2  | 6.2  | 6.3  | 6.4  | 6.5  | 6.5  | 6.6  |
| New England   | 7.1  | 7.4  | 7.7  | 8.0  | 8.1  | 8.2  | 8.3  | 8.4  | 8.5  | 8.6  | 8.6  | 8.7  |
| United States | 7.8  | 8.3  | 8.7  | 9.0  | 9.4  | 9.5  | 9.5  | 9.6  | 9.8  | 10.0 | 9.9  | 9.9  |
| <b>2008</b>   |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |
| Connecticut   | 4.8  | 4.9  | 5.0  | 5.1  | 5.3  | 5.5  | 5.7  | 5.9  | 6.0  | 6.3  | 6.5  | 6.8  |
| Maine         | 4.6  | 4.6  | 4.7  | 4.8  | 4.9  | 5.1  | 5.3  | 5.5  | 5.7  | 6.1  | 6.5  | 7.0  |
| Massachusetts | 4.5  | 4.6  | 4.6  | 4.8  | 4.9  | 5.1  | 5.3  | 5.5  | 5.7  | 6.0  | 6.3  | 6.7  |
| New Hampshire | 3.4  | 3.4  | 3.4  | 3.5  | 3.5  | 3.6  | 3.7  | 3.8  | 3.9  | 4.1  | 4.3  | 4.6  |
| Rhode Island  | 6.0  | 6.2  | 6.4  | 6.6  | 7.0  | 7.3  | 7.7  | 8.0  | 8.4  | 8.7  | 9.2  | 9.7  |
| Vermont       | 4.0  | 4.1  | 4.2  | 4.2  | 4.4  | 4.5  | 4.6  | 4.7  | 4.8  | 4.9  | 5.1  | 5.3  |
| New England   | 4.6  | 4.6  | 4.7  | 4.8  | 5.0  | 5.2  | 5.4  | 5.6  | 5.8  | 6.0  | 6.3  | 6.7  |
| United States | 5.0  | 4.9  | 5.1  | 5.0  | 5.4  | 5.6  | 5.8  | 6.1  | 6.1  | 6.5  | 6.8  | 7.3  |
| <b>2007</b>   |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |
| Connecticut   | 4.3  | 4.3  | 4.3  | 4.3  | 4.3  | 4.4  | 4.4  | 4.5  | 4.6  | 4.6  | 4.7  | 4.7  |
| Maine         | 4.6  | 4.6  | 4.6  | 4.6  | 4.6  | 4.7  | 4.7  | 4.8  | 4.8  | 4.8  | 4.8  | 4.7  |
| Massachusetts | 4.6  | 4.6  | 4.5  | 4.5  | 4.5  | 4.5  | 4.5  | 4.5  | 4.5  | 4.5  | 4.5  | 4.5  |
| New Hampshire | 3.7  | 3.7  | 3.7  | 3.6  | 3.6  | 3.5  | 3.5  | 3.4  | 3.4  | 3.4  | 3.4  | 3.4  |
| Rhode Island  | 4.8  | 4.7  | 4.7  | 4.7  | 4.8  | 4.9  | 5.0  | 5.2  | 5.4  | 5.5  | 5.7  | 5.9  |
| Vermont       | 3.9  | 3.9  | 3.9  | 3.9  | 3.9  | 3.9  | 3.9  | 4.0  | 4.0  | 4.0  | 4.0  | 4.0  |
| New England   | 4.4  | 4.4  | 4.4  | 4.4  | 4.4  | 4.4  | 4.4  | 4.4  | 4.5  | 4.5  | 4.5  | 4.6  |
| United States | 4.6  | 4.5  | 4.4  | 4.5  | 4.4  | 4.6  | 4.7  | 4.6  | 4.7  | 4.7  | 4.7  | 5.0  |
| <b>2006</b>   |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |
| Connecticut   | 4.6  | 4.5  | 4.5  | 4.4  | 4.4  | 4.4  | 4.4  | 4.4  | 4.4  | 4.4  | 4.4  | 4.3  |
| Maine         | 4.7  | 4.6  | 4.6  | 4.6  | 4.6  | 4.7  | 4.8  | 4.8  | 4.9  | 4.8  | 4.8  | 4.7  |
| Massachusetts | 4.7  | 4.7  | 4.7  | 4.7  | 4.7  | 4.7  | 4.7  | 4.7  | 4.7  | 4.7  | 4.7  | 4.7  |
| New Hampshire | 3.5  | 3.4  | 3.4  | 3.4  | 3.4  | 3.5  | 3.5  | 3.6  | 3.6  | 3.7  | 3.7  | 3.7  |
| Rhode Island  | 5.3  | 5.3  | 5.3  | 5.3  | 5.3  | 5.3  | 5.3  | 5.3  | 5.2  | 5.1  | 5.0  | 4.9  |
| Vermont       | 3.5  | 3.5  | 3.5  | 3.6  | 3.6  | 3.7  | 3.8  | 3.8  | 3.9  | 3.9  | 3.9  | 3.9  |
| New England   | 4.6  | 4.5  | 4.5  | 4.5  | 4.5  | 4.5  | 4.5  | 4.6  | 4.6  | 4.5  | 4.5  | 4.5  |
| United States | 4.7  | 4.8  | 4.7  | 4.7  | 4.6  | 4.6  | 4.7  | 4.7  | 4.5  | 4.4  | 4.5  | 4.4  |
| <b>2005</b>   |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |
| Connecticut   | 4.9  | 4.9  | 4.9  | 4.9  | 4.8  | 4.8  | 4.8  | 4.8  | 4.8  | 4.7  | 4.7  | 4.6  |
| Maine         | 4.8  | 4.9  | 4.9  | 4.9  | 4.9  | 4.9  | 4.9  | 4.9  | 5.0  | 4.9  | 4.9  | 4.8  |
| Massachusetts | 4.9  | 4.9  | 4.8  | 4.8  | 4.8  | 4.7  | 4.7  | 4.8  | 4.8  | 4.8  | 4.8  | 4.8  |
| New Hampshire | 3.6  | 3.6  | 3.6  | 3.6  | 3.6  | 3.6  | 3.6  | 3.7  | 3.7  | 3.7  | 3.6  | 3.6  |
| Rhode Island  | 4.8  | 4.8  | 4.9  | 4.9  | 4.9  | 5.0  | 5.1  | 5.3  | 5.4  | 5.4  | 5.4  | 5.4  |
| Vermont       | 3.5  | 3.4  | 3.4  | 3.4  | 3.4  | 3.4  | 3.4  | 3.5  | 3.5  | 3.5  | 3.5  | 3.5  |
| New England   | 4.7  | 4.7  | 4.7  | 4.7  | 4.6  | 4.6  | 4.6  | 4.7  | 4.7  | 4.7  | 4.6  | 4.6  |
| United States | 5.3  | 5.4  | 5.2  | 5.2  | 5.1  | 5.0  | 5.0  | 4.9  | 5.0  | 5.0  | 5.0  | 4.9  |

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**New England Labor Force Statistics  
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|               | <b>Jan</b> | <b>Feb</b> | <b>Mar</b> | <b>Apr</b> | <b>May</b> | <b>Jun</b> | <b>Jul</b> | <b>Aug</b> | <b>Sep</b> | <b>Oct</b> | <b>Nov</b> | <b>Dec</b> |
|---------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| <b>2004</b>   |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |
| Connecticut   | 5.3        | 5.3        | 5.2        | 5.2        | 5.2        | 5.1        | 5.1        | 5.0        | 5.0        | 4.9        | 4.9        | 4.9        |
| Maine         | 4.8        | 4.8        | 4.7        | 4.6        | 4.6        | 4.6        | 4.6        | 4.6        | 4.6        | 4.6        | 4.7        | 4.7        |
| Massachusetts | 5.4        | 5.4        | 5.3        | 5.2        | 5.2        | 5.1        | 5.1        | 5.0        | 4.9        | 4.9        | 4.9        | 4.9        |
| New Hampshire | 4.2        | 4.1        | 4.1        | 4.0        | 3.9        | 3.8        | 3.7        | 3.6        | 3.6        | 3.5        | 3.5        | 3.6        |
| Rhode Island  | 5.5        | 5.6        | 5.6        | 5.6        | 5.6        | 5.4        | 5.3        | 5.1        | 4.9        | 4.8        | 4.8        | 4.8        |
| Vermont       | 4.0        | 4.0        | 3.9        | 3.8        | 3.8        | 3.7        | 3.6        | 3.5        | 3.5        | 3.5        | 3.4        | 3.4        |
| New England   | 5.2        | 5.1        | 5.1        | 5.0        | 5.0        | 4.9        | 4.8        | 4.8        | 4.7        | 4.7        | 4.7        | 4.7        |
| United States | 5.7        | 5.6        | 5.8        | 5.6        | 5.6        | 5.6        | 5.5        | 5.4        | 5.4        | 5.5        | 5.4        | 5.4        |
| <b>2003</b>   |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |
| Connecticut   | 5.2        | 5.3        | 5.4        | 5.5        | 5.5        | 5.6        | 5.6        | 5.6        | 5.5        | 5.5        | 5.4        | 5.3        |
| Maine         | 5.0        | 5.1        | 5.2        | 5.2        | 5.3        | 5.3        | 5.3        | 5.2        | 5.2        | 5.1        | 5.0        | 4.9        |
| Massachusetts | 5.6        | 5.7        | 5.7        | 5.8        | 5.8        | 5.9        | 5.9        | 5.8        | 5.8        | 5.7        | 5.6        | 5.5        |
| New Hampshire | 4.6        | 4.5        | 4.5        | 4.4        | 4.5        | 4.5        | 4.5        | 4.5        | 4.5        | 4.4        | 4.4        | 4.3        |
| Rhode Island  | 5.7        | 5.7        | 5.7        | 5.7        | 5.6        | 5.6        | 5.6        | 5.5        | 5.5        | 5.4        | 5.4        | 5.5        |
| Vermont       | 4.4        | 4.4        | 4.5        | 4.5        | 4.5        | 4.5        | 4.5        | 4.4        | 4.3        | 4.3        | 4.2        | 4.1        |
| New England   | 5.3        | 5.4        | 5.4        | 5.5        | 5.5        | 5.5        | 5.5        | 5.5        | 5.5        | 5.4        | 5.3        | 5.2        |
| United States | 5.8        | 5.9        | 5.9        | 6.0        | 6.1        | 6.3        | 6.2        | 6.1        | 6.1        | 6.0        | 5.8        | 5.7        |
| <b>2002</b>   |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |
| Connecticut   | 3.6        | 3.8        | 3.9        | 4.1        | 4.2        | 4.3        | 4.5        | 4.6        | 4.8        | 4.9        | 5.0        | 5.1        |
| Maine         | 4.2        | 4.3        | 4.3        | 4.3        | 4.4        | 4.4        | 4.4        | 4.5        | 4.5        | 4.6        | 4.7        | 4.9        |
| Massachusetts | 4.9        | 5.0        | 5.0        | 5.1        | 5.2        | 5.2        | 5.2        | 5.3        | 5.3        | 5.4        | 5.5        | 5.5        |
| New Hampshire | 4.1        | 4.2        | 4.3        | 4.4        | 4.5        | 4.5        | 4.6        | 4.6        | 4.7        | 4.7        | 4.7        | 4.6        |
| Rhode Island  | 4.8        | 4.8        | 4.8        | 4.8        | 4.8        | 4.9        | 5.0        | 5.2        | 5.4        | 5.5        | 5.6        | 5.7        |
| Vermont       | 3.5        | 3.6        | 3.6        | 3.6        | 3.7        | 3.7        | 3.8        | 3.9        | 4.0        | 4.1        | 4.2        | 4.3        |
| New England   | 4.4        | 4.5        | 4.6        | 4.6        | 4.7        | 4.8        | 4.8        | 4.9        | 5.0        | 5.1        | 5.2        | 5.3        |
| United States | 5.7        | 5.7        | 5.7        | 5.9        | 5.8        | 5.8        | 5.8        | 5.7        | 5.7        | 5.7        | 5.9        | 6.0        |
| <b>2001</b>   |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |
| Connecticut   | 2.3        | 2.4        | 2.5        | 2.6        | 2.7        | 2.8        | 2.9        | 3.0        | 3.1        | 3.3        | 3.4        | 3.5        |
| Maine         | 3.2        | 3.3        | 3.4        | 3.6        | 3.7        | 3.7        | 3.8        | 3.9        | 4.0        | 4.1        | 4.1        | 4.2        |
| Massachusetts | 2.9        | 3.1        | 3.2        | 3.4        | 3.5        | 3.6        | 3.8        | 4.0        | 4.2        | 4.4        | 4.6        | 4.7        |
| New Hampshire | 2.8        | 2.9        | 3.0        | 3.1        | 3.2        | 3.3        | 3.4        | 3.6        | 3.7        | 3.8        | 3.9        | 4.0        |
| Rhode Island  | 4.0        | 4.1        | 4.3        | 4.4        | 4.5        | 4.5        | 4.5        | 4.5        | 4.5        | 4.6        | 4.7        | 4.7        |
| Vermont       | 3.0        | 3.1        | 3.2        | 3.2        | 3.3        | 3.3        | 3.3        | 3.3        | 3.4        | 3.4        | 3.5        | 3.5        |
| New England   | 2.9        | 3.0        | 3.1        | 3.2        | 3.4        | 3.5        | 3.6        | 3.7        | 3.9        | 4.0        | 4.1        | 4.3        |
| United States | 4.2        | 4.2        | 4.3        | 4.4        | 4.3        | 4.5        | 4.6        | 4.9        | 5.0        | 5.3        | 5.5        | 5.7        |
| <b>2000</b>   |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |
| Connecticut   | 2.2        | 2.2        | 2.1        | 2.1        | 2.1        | 2.1        | 2.0        | 2.0        | 2.1        | 2.1        | 2.1        | 2.2        |
| Maine         | 3.7        | 3.6        | 3.5        | 3.4        | 3.3        | 3.3        | 3.2        | 3.2        | 3.2        | 3.2        | 3.2        | 3.2        |
| Massachusetts | 3.1        | 3.0        | 2.9        | 2.9        | 2.8        | 2.8        | 2.7        | 2.7        | 2.7        | 2.7        | 2.7        | 2.8        |
| New Hampshire | 2.8        | 2.8        | 2.7        | 2.7        | 2.7        | 2.7        | 2.7        | 2.6        | 2.5        | 2.5        | 2.5        | 2.6        |
| Rhode Island  | 4.2        | 4.2        | 4.1        | 4.1        | 4.0        | 4.0        | 4.0        | 4.0        | 3.9        | 3.8        | 3.8        | 3.9        |
| Vermont       | 2.8        | 2.7        | 2.7        | 2.7        | 2.7        | 2.8        | 2.8        | 2.9        | 2.9        | 2.9        | 2.9        | 2.9        |
| New England   | 3.0        | 2.9        | 2.8        | 2.8        | 2.8        | 2.7        | 2.7        | 2.7        | 2.7        | 2.7        | 2.7        | 2.8        |
| United States | 4.0        | 4.1        | 4.0        | 3.8        | 4.0        | 4.0        | 4.0        | 4.1        | 3.9        | 3.9        | 3.9        | 3.9        |

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|               | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec |
|---------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| <b>1999</b>   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Connecticut   | 2.7 | 2.6 | 2.6 | 2.5 | 2.5 | 2.5 | 2.4 | 2.4 | 2.4 | 2.3 | 2.3 | 2.3 |
| Maine         | 4.0 | 4.0 | 4.0 | 4.0 | 4.1 | 4.1 | 4.1 | 4.1 | 4.0 | 4.0 | 3.9 | 3.8 |
| Massachusetts | 3.3 | 3.3 | 3.3 | 3.3 | 3.3 | 3.3 | 3.3 | 3.3 | 3.3 | 3.3 | 3.2 | 3.2 |
| New Hampshire | 2.8 | 2.8 | 2.8 | 2.7 | 2.7 | 2.7 | 2.7 | 2.7 | 2.7 | 2.8 | 2.8 | 2.8 |
| Rhode Island  | 4.1 | 4.0 | 3.9 | 4.0 | 4.0 | 4.2 | 4.3 | 4.4 | 4.4 | 4.4 | 4.4 | 4.3 |
| Vermont       | 3.2 | 3.2 | 3.2 | 3.2 | 3.1 | 3.1 | 3.1 | 3.0 | 3.0 | 3.0 | 2.9 | 2.9 |
| New England   | 3.2 | 3.2 | 3.2 | 3.2 | 3.2 | 3.2 | 3.2 | 3.2 | 3.2 | 3.1 | 3.1 | 3.1 |
| United States | 4.3 | 4.4 | 4.2 | 4.3 | 4.2 | 4.3 | 4.3 | 4.2 | 4.2 | 4.1 | 4.1 | 4.0 |
| <b>1998</b>   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Connecticut   | 3.8 | 3.7 | 3.6 | 3.5 | 3.4 | 3.2 | 3.2 | 3.1 | 3.0 | 2.9 | 2.8 | 2.7 |
| Maine         | 4.9 | 4.8 | 4.6 | 4.5 | 4.4 | 4.4 | 4.4 | 4.5 | 4.4 | 4.3 | 4.2 | 4.1 |
| Massachusetts | 3.6 | 3.5 | 3.5 | 3.4 | 3.4 | 3.3 | 3.3 | 3.3 | 3.3 | 3.3 | 3.3 | 3.3 |
| New Hampshire | 3.0 | 2.9 | 2.9 | 2.8 | 2.8 | 2.7 | 2.7 | 2.8 | 2.8 | 2.8 | 2.9 | 2.9 |
| Rhode Island  | 4.9 | 4.9 | 4.8 | 4.7 | 4.6 | 4.5 | 4.4 | 4.4 | 4.4 | 4.4 | 4.3 | 4.2 |
| Vermont       | 3.6 | 3.6 | 3.6 | 3.6 | 3.6 | 3.5 | 3.5 | 3.4 | 3.4 | 3.3 | 3.3 | 3.2 |
| New England   | 3.8 | 3.7 | 3.6 | 3.6 | 3.5 | 3.5 | 3.4 | 3.4 | 3.4 | 3.3 | 3.3 | 3.2 |
| United States | 4.6 | 4.6 | 4.7 | 4.3 | 4.4 | 4.5 | 4.5 | 4.5 | 4.6 | 4.5 | 4.4 | 4.4 |
| <b>1997</b>   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Connecticut   | 5.2 | 5.2 | 5.1 | 5.0 | 4.9 | 4.8 | 4.7 | 4.5 | 4.4 | 4.3 | 4.1 | 4.0 |
| Maine         | 5.4 | 5.4 | 5.5 | 5.4 | 5.3 | 5.2 | 5.1 | 5.0 | 5.0 | 5.0 | 5.0 | 5.0 |
| Massachusetts | 4.4 | 4.3 | 4.3 | 4.2 | 4.2 | 4.1 | 4.1 | 4.0 | 3.9 | 3.8 | 3.7 | 3.7 |
| New Hampshire | 3.6 | 3.6 | 3.6 | 3.5 | 3.5 | 3.4 | 3.4 | 3.3 | 3.2 | 3.2 | 3.1 | 3.0 |
| Rhode Island  | 5.5 | 5.5 | 5.5 | 5.5 | 5.5 | 5.4 | 5.4 | 5.3 | 5.2 | 5.1 | 5.0 | 5.0 |
| Vermont       | 4.4 | 4.3 | 4.2 | 4.1 | 4.0 | 3.9 | 3.8 | 3.8 | 3.7 | 3.7 | 3.7 | 3.7 |
| New England   | 4.7 | 4.7 | 4.6 | 4.5 | 4.5 | 4.4 | 4.3 | 4.2 | 4.2 | 4.1 | 4.0 | 3.9 |
| United States | 5.3 | 5.2 | 5.2 | 5.1 | 4.9 | 5.0 | 4.9 | 4.8 | 4.9 | 4.7 | 4.6 | 4.7 |
| <b>1996</b>   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Connecticut   | 5.2 | 5.2 | 5.2 | 5.2 | 5.2 | 5.2 | 5.2 | 5.2 | 5.2 | 5.2 | 5.2 | 5.2 |
| Maine         | 5.5 | 5.5 | 5.5 | 5.5 | 5.4 | 5.3 | 5.3 | 5.2 | 5.1 | 5.1 | 5.2 | 5.3 |
| Massachusetts | 5.0 | 4.9 | 4.9 | 4.8 | 4.7 | 4.6 | 4.5 | 4.4 | 4.4 | 4.4 | 4.4 | 4.4 |
| New Hampshire | 3.6 | 3.7 | 3.7 | 3.8 | 3.8 | 3.8 | 3.8 | 3.8 | 3.8 | 3.7 | 3.7 | 3.7 |
| Rhode Island  | 5.6 | 5.5 | 5.3 | 5.2 | 5.1 | 5.0 | 5.0 | 5.0 | 5.1 | 5.2 | 5.3 | 5.4 |
| Vermont       | 4.1 | 4.2 | 4.2 | 4.2 | 4.3 | 4.3 | 4.3 | 4.3 | 4.4 | 4.4 | 4.4 | 4.4 |
| New England   | 5.0 | 4.9 | 4.9 | 4.9 | 4.8 | 4.7 | 4.7 | 4.7 | 4.6 | 4.7 | 4.7 | 4.7 |
| United States | 5.6 | 5.5 | 5.5 | 5.6 | 5.6 | 5.3 | 5.5 | 5.1 | 5.2 | 5.2 | 5.4 | 5.4 |
| <b>1995</b>   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Connecticut   | 5.3 | 5.3 | 5.3 | 5.3 | 5.4 | 5.4 | 5.4 | 5.3 | 5.3 | 5.3 | 5.2 | 5.2 |
| Maine         | 6.0 | 5.9 | 5.9 | 5.9 | 6.0 | 6.0 | 6.0 | 5.9 | 5.8 | 5.8 | 5.7 | 5.6 |
| Massachusetts | 5.7 | 5.6 | 5.6 | 5.6 | 5.6 | 5.6 | 5.5 | 5.4 | 5.3 | 5.3 | 5.2 | 5.1 |
| New Hampshire | 4.0 | 4.0 | 3.9 | 3.9 | 3.9 | 3.9 | 3.9 | 3.8 | 3.7 | 3.7 | 3.6 | 3.6 |
| Rhode Island  | 6.3 | 6.3 | 6.4 | 6.6 | 6.6 | 6.6 | 6.6 | 6.4 | 6.3 | 6.1 | 5.9 | 5.7 |
| Vermont       | 4.2 | 4.1 | 4.1 | 4.2 | 4.2 | 4.2 | 4.2 | 4.2 | 4.2 | 4.2 | 4.1 | 4.1 |
| New England   | 5.4 | 5.4 | 5.4 | 5.4 | 5.4 | 5.4 | 5.4 | 5.3 | 5.2 | 5.2 | 5.1 | 5.0 |
| United States | 5.6 | 5.4 | 5.4 | 5.8 | 5.6 | 5.6 | 5.7 | 5.7 | 5.6 | 5.5 | 5.6 | 5.6 |

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|               | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec |
|---------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| <b>1994</b>   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Connecticut   | 5.8 | 5.7 | 5.7 | 5.6 | 5.6 | 5.5 | 5.5 | 5.5 | 5.5 | 5.4 | 5.4 | 5.3 |
| Maine         | 6.7 | 6.7 | 6.7 | 6.7 | 6.7 | 6.7 | 6.7 | 6.6 | 6.6 | 6.4 | 6.2 | 6.1 |
| Massachusetts | 6.6 | 6.6 | 6.5 | 6.4 | 6.3 | 6.3 | 6.2 | 6.1 | 6.1 | 6.0 | 5.9 | 5.8 |
| New Hampshire | 5.0 | 4.9 | 4.8 | 4.7 | 4.6 | 4.5 | 4.4 | 4.3 | 4.3 | 4.2 | 4.1 | 4.1 |
| Rhode Island  | 7.2 | 7.0 | 6.9 | 6.7 | 6.6 | 6.6 | 6.6 | 6.5 | 6.5 | 6.4 | 6.3 | 6.3 |
| Vermont       | 4.5 | 4.5 | 4.4 | 4.4 | 4.4 | 4.4 | 4.4 | 4.5 | 4.4 | 4.4 | 4.3 | 4.2 |
| New England   | 6.2 | 6.2 | 6.1 | 6.0 | 6.0 | 5.9 | 5.9 | 5.8 | 5.8 | 5.7 | 5.6 | 5.5 |
| United States | 6.6 | 6.6 | 6.5 | 6.4 | 6.1 | 6.1 | 6.1 | 6.0 | 5.9 | 5.8 | 5.6 | 5.5 |
| <b>1993</b>   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Connecticut   | 7.1 | 7.1 | 6.9 | 6.8 | 6.7 | 6.6 | 6.4 | 6.3 | 6.1 | 6.0 | 5.9 | 5.9 |
| Maine         | 6.9 | 6.8 | 6.7 | 6.7 | 6.8 | 6.8 | 6.9 | 6.9 | 6.9 | 6.8 | 6.8 | 6.8 |
| Massachusetts | 8.2 | 8.0 | 7.8 | 7.6 | 7.4 | 7.3 | 7.2 | 7.0 | 6.9 | 6.8 | 6.7 | 6.7 |
| New Hampshire | 7.2 | 7.0 | 6.8 | 6.5 | 6.3 | 6.1 | 5.9 | 5.8 | 5.6 | 5.5 | 5.3 | 5.2 |
| Rhode Island  | 8.1 | 8.0 | 7.9 | 7.7 | 7.6 | 7.5 | 7.3 | 7.3 | 7.2 | 7.3 | 7.3 | 7.3 |
| Vermont       | 6.0 | 5.9 | 5.7 | 5.6 | 5.4 | 5.2 | 5.1 | 4.9 | 4.8 | 4.7 | 4.6 | 4.6 |
| New England   | 7.6 | 7.5 | 7.3 | 7.2 | 7.0 | 6.9 | 6.8 | 6.6 | 6.5 | 6.4 | 6.4 | 6.3 |
| United States | 7.3 | 7.1 | 7.0 | 7.1 | 7.1 | 7.0 | 6.9 | 6.8 | 6.7 | 6.8 | 6.6 | 6.5 |
| <b>1992</b>   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Connecticut   | 7.2 | 7.3 | 7.3 | 7.4 | 7.4 | 7.4 | 7.4 | 7.4 | 7.4 | 7.3 | 7.3 | 7.2 |
| Maine         | 7.7 | 7.8 | 7.7 | 7.6 | 7.4 | 7.3 | 7.2 | 7.1 | 7.1 | 7.1 | 7.0 | 7.0 |
| Massachusetts | 9.0 | 9.0 | 9.0 | 8.9 | 8.9 | 8.9 | 8.8 | 8.8 | 8.7 | 8.6 | 8.4 | 8.3 |
| New Hampshire | 7.1 | 7.2 | 7.2 | 7.3 | 7.3 | 7.3 | 7.4 | 7.4 | 7.4 | 7.4 | 7.3 | 7.3 |
| Rhode Island  | 9.1 | 9.1 | 9.2 | 9.2 | 9.3 | 9.2 | 9.2 | 9.1 | 8.9 | 8.7 | 8.5 | 8.3 |
| Vermont       | 6.2 | 6.2 | 6.3 | 6.3 | 6.3 | 6.3 | 6.3 | 6.3 | 6.3 | 6.2 | 6.2 | 6.1 |
| New England   | 8.2 | 8.2 | 8.2 | 8.2 | 8.2 | 8.1 | 8.1 | 8.1 | 8.0 | 7.9 | 7.8 | 7.7 |
| United States | 7.3 | 7.4 | 7.4 | 7.4 | 7.6 | 7.8 | 7.7 | 7.6 | 7.6 | 7.3 | 7.4 | 7.4 |
| <b>1991</b>   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Connecticut   | 5.9 | 6.0 | 6.2 | 6.3 | 6.4 | 6.6 | 6.7 | 6.7 | 6.8 | 6.9 | 7.0 | 7.1 |
| Maine         | 7.7 | 8.1 | 8.3 | 8.4 | 8.2 | 8.0 | 7.6 | 7.4 | 7.3 | 7.3 | 7.5 | 7.6 |
| Massachusetts | 8.1 | 8.3 | 8.6 | 8.8 | 8.9 | 9.0 | 9.1 | 9.1 | 9.1 | 9.1 | 9.1 | 9.1 |
| New Hampshire | 6.3 | 6.5 | 6.6 | 6.7 | 6.8 | 6.9 | 6.9 | 6.9 | 6.9 | 7.0 | 7.0 | 7.1 |
| Rhode Island  | 7.6 | 7.9 | 8.2 | 8.3 | 8.4 | 8.5 | 8.5 | 8.5 | 8.6 | 8.7 | 8.8 | 9.0 |
| Vermont       | 5.7 | 5.9 | 6.0 | 6.0 | 6.1 | 6.0 | 6.0 | 5.9 | 5.9 | 5.9 | 6.0 | 6.1 |
| New England   | 7.2 | 7.4 | 7.6 | 7.8 | 7.9 | 7.9 | 8.0 | 8.0 | 8.0 | 8.0 | 8.1 | 8.1 |
| United States | 6.4 | 6.6 | 6.8 | 6.7 | 6.9 | 6.9 | 6.8 | 6.9 | 6.9 | 7.0 | 7.0 | 7.3 |
| <b>1990</b>   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Connecticut   | 4.3 | 4.4 | 4.5 | 4.6 | 4.7 | 4.8 | 4.9 | 5.1 | 5.2 | 5.4 | 5.6 | 5.7 |
| Maine         | 4.5 | 4.5 | 4.5 | 4.6 | 4.7 | 4.9 | 5.2 | 5.5 | 5.8 | 6.2 | 6.7 | 7.2 |
| Massachusetts | 5.3 | 5.4 | 5.6 | 5.8 | 6.0 | 6.1 | 6.4 | 6.6 | 6.9 | 7.2 | 7.5 | 7.8 |
| New Hampshire | 4.5 | 4.6 | 4.8 | 4.9 | 5.1 | 5.2 | 5.3 | 5.4 | 5.6 | 5.8 | 6.0 | 6.1 |
| Rhode Island  | 5.4 | 5.5 | 5.7 | 5.8 | 6.0 | 6.2 | 6.3 | 6.5 | 6.6 | 6.7 | 7.0 | 7.3 |
| Vermont       | 4.0 | 4.1 | 4.2 | 4.3 | 4.5 | 4.6 | 4.7 | 4.9 | 5.0 | 5.2 | 5.4 | 5.6 |
| New England   | 4.9 | 5.0 | 5.1 | 5.2 | 5.4 | 5.6 | 5.7 | 5.9 | 6.1 | 6.4 | 6.7 | 6.9 |
| United States | 5.4 | 5.3 | 5.2 | 5.4 | 5.4 | 5.2 | 5.5 | 5.7 | 5.9 | 5.9 | 6.2 | 6.3 |

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|---------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| <b>1989</b>   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Connecticut   | 3.0 | 3.1 | 3.2 | 3.3 | 3.4 | 3.5 | 3.7 | 3.8 | 3.9 | 4.0 | 4.1 | 4.2 |
| Maine         | 3.4 | 3.3 | 3.4 | 3.6 | 3.8 | 4.0 | 4.2 | 4.4 | 4.5 | 4.5 | 4.5 | 4.5 |
| Massachusetts | 3.5 | 3.6 | 3.7 | 3.8 | 3.9 | 4.1 | 4.3 | 4.4 | 4.6 | 4.8 | 4.9 | 5.1 |
| New Hampshire | 2.5 | 2.5 | 2.7 | 2.8 | 3.0 | 3.3 | 3.5 | 3.6 | 3.8 | 4.0 | 4.1 | 4.3 |
| Rhode Island  | 3.1 | 3.1 | 3.2 | 3.3 | 3.4 | 3.6 | 3.8 | 4.0 | 4.4 | 4.7 | 5.0 | 5.2 |
| Vermont       | 3.2 | 3.3 | 3.3 | 3.4 | 3.5 | 3.6 | 3.7 | 3.8 | 3.9 | 3.9 | 3.9 | 4.0 |
| New England   | 3.3 | 3.3 | 3.4 | 3.5 | 3.6 | 3.8 | 4.0 | 4.1 | 4.3 | 4.4 | 4.6 | 4.7 |
| United States | 5.4 | 5.2 | 5.0 | 5.2 | 5.2 | 5.3 | 5.2 | 5.2 | 5.3 | 5.3 | 5.4 | 5.4 |
| <b>1988</b>   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Connecticut   | 2.8 | 2.8 | 2.8 | 2.8 | 2.8 | 2.8 | 2.9 | 2.9 | 2.9 | 3.0 | 3.0 | 3.0 |
| Maine         | 3.7 | 3.6 | 3.5 | 3.5 | 3.6 | 3.7 | 3.8 | 3.9 | 3.9 | 3.8 | 3.7 | 3.5 |
| Massachusetts | 3.2 | 3.2 | 3.2 | 3.2 | 3.2 | 3.3 | 3.3 | 3.3 | 3.4 | 3.4 | 3.5 | 3.5 |
| New Hampshire | 2.3 | 2.2 | 2.2 | 2.2 | 2.3 | 2.4 | 2.4 | 2.5 | 2.5 | 2.5 | 2.5 | 2.5 |
| Rhode Island  | 3.1 | 2.9 | 2.8 | 2.7 | 2.7 | 2.8 | 2.9 | 3.0 | 3.1 | 3.1 | 3.1 | 3.1 |
| Vermont       | 3.1 | 3.0 | 2.9 | 2.9 | 2.8 | 2.9 | 2.9 | 3.0 | 3.1 | 3.1 | 3.2 | 3.2 |
| New England   | 3.0 | 3.0 | 3.0 | 3.0 | 3.0 | 3.1 | 3.1 | 3.2 | 3.2 | 3.2 | 3.2 | 3.2 |
| United States | 5.7 | 5.7 | 5.7 | 5.4 | 5.6 | 5.4 | 5.4 | 5.6 | 5.4 | 5.4 | 5.3 | 5.3 |
| <b>1987</b>   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Connecticut   | 3.5 | 3.5 | 3.4 | 3.3 | 3.2 | 3.1 | 3.0 | 3.0 | 2.9 | 2.9 | 2.9 | 2.9 |
| Maine         | 4.9 | 4.8 | 4.6 | 4.5 | 4.4 | 4.3 | 4.3 | 4.3 | 4.2 | 4.2 | 4.0 | 3.9 |
| Massachusetts | 3.8 | 3.7 | 3.6 | 3.5 | 3.4 | 3.3 | 3.2 | 3.2 | 3.1 | 3.1 | 3.1 | 3.1 |
| New Hampshire | 2.2 | 2.2 | 2.1 | 2.1 | 2.1 | 2.1 | 2.2 | 2.3 | 2.3 | 2.3 | 2.3 | 2.3 |
| Rhode Island  | 4.1 | 4.0 | 4.0 | 3.9 | 3.9 | 3.8 | 3.7 | 3.6 | 3.5 | 3.4 | 3.3 | 3.2 |
| Vermont       | 4.2 | 4.2 | 4.1 | 4.0 | 3.9 | 3.8 | 3.7 | 3.6 | 3.5 | 3.5 | 3.4 | 3.3 |
| New England   | 3.7 | 3.7 | 3.6 | 3.5 | 3.4 | 3.3 | 3.2 | 3.2 | 3.2 | 3.1 | 3.1 | 3.1 |
| United States | 6.6 | 6.6 | 6.6 | 6.3 | 6.3 | 6.2 | 6.1 | 6.0 | 5.9 | 6.0 | 5.8 | 5.7 |
| <b>1986</b>   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Connecticut   | 3.9 | 3.9 | 3.9 | 3.9 | 3.8 | 3.8 | 3.7 | 3.7 | 3.7 | 3.6 | 3.6 | 3.6 |
| Maine         | 5.3 | 5.3 | 5.3 | 5.3 | 5.3 | 5.3 | 5.3 | 5.3 | 5.3 | 5.3 | 5.2 | 5.1 |
| Massachusetts | 4.0 | 4.0 | 4.0 | 4.0 | 4.1 | 4.1 | 4.1 | 4.0 | 4.0 | 3.9 | 3.9 | 3.9 |
| New Hampshire | 3.0 | 3.0 | 3.0 | 3.0 | 2.9 | 2.8 | 2.6 | 2.5 | 2.3 | 2.3 | 2.3 | 2.2 |
| Rhode Island  | 3.9 | 3.9 | 3.9 | 3.9 | 4.0 | 4.1 | 4.2 | 4.2 | 4.3 | 4.2 | 4.2 | 4.1 |
| Vermont       | 4.3 | 4.3 | 4.3 | 4.4 | 4.4 | 4.3 | 4.3 | 4.3 | 4.3 | 4.3 | 4.3 | 4.3 |
| New England   | 4.0 | 4.0 | 4.0 | 4.0 | 4.0 | 4.0 | 4.0 | 3.9 | 3.9 | 3.9 | 3.8 | 3.8 |
| United States | 6.7 | 7.2 | 7.2 | 7.1 | 7.2 | 7.2 | 7.0 | 6.9 | 7.0 | 7.0 | 6.9 | 6.6 |
| <b>1985</b>   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Connecticut   | 4.5 | 4.5 | 4.5 | 4.6 | 4.6 | 4.5 | 4.5 | 4.4 | 4.3 | 4.2 | 4.1 | 4.0 |
| Maine         | 5.7 | 5.7 | 5.8 | 5.7 | 5.7 | 5.6 | 5.5 | 5.5 | 5.4 | 5.4 | 5.4 | 5.3 |
| Massachusetts | 4.2 | 4.2 | 4.2 | 4.2 | 4.2 | 4.2 | 4.2 | 4.2 | 4.1 | 4.1 | 4.0 | 4.0 |
| New Hampshire | 4.2 | 4.2 | 4.1 | 4.0 | 3.9 | 3.8 | 3.6 | 3.5 | 3.3 | 3.2 | 3.1 | 3.0 |
| Rhode Island  | 4.9 | 5.0 | 5.0 | 5.0 | 4.9 | 4.8 | 4.7 | 4.6 | 4.5 | 4.3 | 4.2 | 4.0 |
| Vermont       | 4.5 | 4.6 | 4.6 | 4.7 | 4.7 | 4.7 | 4.7 | 4.7 | 4.6 | 4.5 | 4.4 | 4.3 |
| New England   | 4.5 | 4.5 | 4.5 | 4.5 | 4.5 | 4.4 | 4.4 | 4.3 | 4.2 | 4.2 | 4.1 | 4.0 |
| United States | 7.3 | 7.2 | 7.2 | 7.3 | 7.2 | 7.4 | 7.4 | 7.1 | 7.1 | 7.1 | 7.0 | 7.0 |

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|---------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| <b>1984</b>   |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |
| Connecticut   | 5.1  | 4.9  | 4.8  | 4.7  | 4.6  | 4.6  | 4.6  | 4.5  | 4.5  | 4.5  | 4.5  | 4.5  |
| Maine         | 6.9  | 6.6  | 6.4  | 6.3  | 6.2  | 6.1  | 6.0  | 5.9  | 5.9  | 5.8  | 5.7  | 5.7  |
| Massachusetts | 5.6  | 5.4  | 5.2  | 5.0  | 4.9  | 4.7  | 4.6  | 4.5  | 4.5  | 4.4  | 4.3  | 4.2  |
| New Hampshire | 4.4  | 4.2  | 4.1  | 4.1  | 4.1  | 4.1  | 4.1  | 4.2  | 4.2  | 4.3  | 4.3  | 4.3  |
| Rhode Island  | 6.4  | 6.2  | 6.0  | 5.8  | 5.5  | 5.3  | 5.0  | 4.8  | 4.7  | 4.6  | 4.7  | 4.8  |
| Vermont       | 5.7  | 5.6  | 5.4  | 5.2  | 5.0  | 4.8  | 4.7  | 4.6  | 4.5  | 4.5  | 4.5  | 4.5  |
| New England   | 5.5  | 5.3  | 5.2  | 5.0  | 4.9  | 4.8  | 4.7  | 4.7  | 4.6  | 4.6  | 4.5  | 4.5  |
| United States | 8.0  | 7.8  | 7.8  | 7.7  | 7.4  | 7.2  | 7.5  | 7.5  | 7.3  | 7.4  | 7.2  | 7.3  |
| <b>1983</b>   |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |
| Connecticut   | 6.8  | 6.7  | 6.6  | 6.4  | 6.2  | 6.1  | 5.9  | 5.8  | 5.6  | 5.5  | 5.3  | 5.2  |
| Maine         | 9.0  | 9.0  | 9.0  | 8.9  | 8.7  | 8.5  | 8.3  | 8.1  | 7.8  | 7.6  | 7.4  | 7.1  |
| Massachusetts | 8.0  | 7.9  | 7.7  | 7.5  | 7.3  | 7.0  | 6.8  | 6.6  | 6.4  | 6.2  | 6.0  | 5.8  |
| New Hampshire | 6.7  | 6.5  | 6.2  | 6.0  | 5.7  | 5.5  | 5.3  | 5.1  | 5.0  | 4.8  | 4.7  | 4.5  |
| Rhode Island  | 10.2 | 9.9  | 9.5  | 9.2  | 8.9  | 8.6  | 8.4  | 8.1  | 7.7  | 7.3  | 7.0  | 6.7  |
| Vermont       | 7.1  | 7.0  | 7.0  | 6.9  | 6.8  | 6.6  | 6.5  | 6.4  | 6.2  | 6.1  | 6.0  | 5.9  |
| New England   | 7.8  | 7.7  | 7.5  | 7.3  | 7.1  | 6.9  | 6.7  | 6.5  | 6.3  | 6.1  | 5.9  | 5.7  |
| United States | 10.4 | 10.4 | 10.3 | 10.2 | 10.1 | 10.1 | 9.4  | 9.5  | 9.2  | 8.8  | 8.5  | 8.3  |
| <b>1982</b>   |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |
| Connecticut   | 6.7  | 6.8  | 6.8  | 6.8  | 6.9  | 6.9  | 6.9  | 6.9  | 6.9  | 6.9  | 6.9  | 6.9  |
| Maine         | 8.2  | 8.3  | 8.4  | 8.5  | 8.6  | 8.6  | 8.6  | 8.6  | 8.6  | 8.7  | 8.9  | 9.0  |
| Massachusetts | 7.4  | 7.5  | 7.6  | 7.7  | 7.8  | 7.8  | 7.8  | 7.9  | 8.0  | 8.0  | 8.0  | 8.0  |
| New Hampshire | 6.3  | 6.6  | 6.8  | 6.9  | 7.0  | 7.1  | 7.0  | 7.0  | 7.0  | 7.0  | 6.9  | 6.8  |
| Rhode Island  | 9.0  | 9.3  | 9.6  | 9.8  | 9.9  | 10.0 | 10.1 | 10.2 | 10.4 | 10.5 | 10.6 | 10.5 |
| Vermont       | 6.6  | 6.7  | 6.8  | 6.8  | 6.9  | 6.9  | 6.9  | 6.8  | 6.9  | 6.9  | 7.0  | 7.0  |
| New England   | 7.3  | 7.4  | 7.5  | 7.6  | 7.7  | 7.7  | 7.7  | 7.8  | 7.8  | 7.9  | 7.9  | 7.9  |
| United States | 8.6  | 8.9  | 9.0  | 9.3  | 9.4  | 9.6  | 9.8  | 9.8  | 10.1 | 10.4 | 10.8 | 10.8 |
| <b>1981</b>   |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |
| Connecticut   | 6.0  | 6.0  | 6.0  | 6.1  | 6.1  | 6.1  | 6.1  | 6.2  | 6.3  | 6.4  | 6.5  | 6.6  |
| Maine         | 7.4  | 7.2  | 7.1  | 7.0  | 6.9  | 6.9  | 6.9  | 7.1  | 7.2  | 7.5  | 7.7  | 8.0  |
| Massachusetts | 5.9  | 6.0  | 6.0  | 6.1  | 6.1  | 6.2  | 6.3  | 6.5  | 6.6  | 6.8  | 7.0  | 7.2  |
| New Hampshire | 4.7  | 4.7  | 4.7  | 4.7  | 4.7  | 4.7  | 4.9  | 5.0  | 5.2  | 5.5  | 5.8  | 6.1  |
| Rhode Island  | 7.1  | 7.1  | 7.1  | 7.2  | 7.2  | 7.3  | 7.4  | 7.6  | 7.8  | 8.0  | 8.3  | 8.6  |
| Vermont       | 5.8  | 5.8  | 5.7  | 5.6  | 5.6  | 5.6  | 5.7  | 5.8  | 5.9  | 6.1  | 6.2  | 6.4  |
| New England   | 6.0  | 6.1  | 6.1  | 6.1  | 6.1  | 6.2  | 6.3  | 6.4  | 6.5  | 6.7  | 6.9  | 7.1  |
| United States | 7.5  | 7.4  | 7.4  | 7.2  | 7.5  | 7.5  | 7.2  | 7.4  | 7.6  | 7.9  | 8.3  | 8.5  |
| <b>1980</b>   |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |
| Connecticut   | 5.1  | 5.2  | 5.3  | 5.5  | 5.7  | 5.8  | 5.9  | 5.9  | 5.9  | 5.9  | 5.9  | 5.9  |
| Maine         | 6.6  | 6.7  | 7.0  | 7.3  | 7.6  | 7.8  | 8.0  | 8.0  | 7.9  | 7.7  | 7.6  | 7.5  |
| Massachusetts | 5.3  | 5.3  | 5.5  | 5.6  | 5.8  | 6.0  | 6.0  | 6.0  | 6.0  | 5.9  | 5.9  | 5.9  |
| New Hampshire | 3.5  | 3.7  | 3.9  | 4.2  | 4.6  | 4.8  | 5.0  | 5.0  | 5.0  | 4.9  | 4.8  | 4.7  |
| Rhode Island  | 6.5  | 6.7  | 6.8  | 7.1  | 7.3  | 7.5  | 7.7  | 7.7  | 7.6  | 7.5  | 7.3  | 7.2  |
| Vermont       | 5.0  | 5.1  | 5.4  | 5.7  | 6.0  | 6.3  | 6.4  | 6.5  | 6.4  | 6.3  | 6.1  | 6.0  |
| New England   | 5.3  | 5.4  | 5.5  | 5.7  | 6.0  | 6.1  | 6.2  | 6.2  | 6.2  | 6.1  | 6.1  | 6.0  |
| United States | 6.3  | 6.3  | 6.3  | 6.9  | 7.5  | 7.6  | 7.8  | 7.7  | 7.5  | 7.5  | 7.5  | 7.2  |

Source: US Bureau of Labor Statistics

**New England Labor Force Statistics  
Seasonally Adjusted  
1976 - Present**

|               | Jan  | Feb  | Mar  | Apr  | May  | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec |
|---------------|------|------|------|------|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| <b>1979</b>   |      |      |      |      |      |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Connecticut   | 5.1  | 5.2  | 5.1  | 5.1  | 5.1  | 5.0 | 5.0 | 5.0 | 5.1 | 5.1 | 5.1 | 5.1 |
| Maine         | 6.5  | 6.6  | 6.7  | 6.7  | 6.7  | 6.7 | 6.6 | 6.6 | 6.6 | 6.6 | 6.6 | 6.6 |
| Massachusetts | 5.9  | 5.8  | 5.7  | 5.6  | 5.5  | 5.4 | 5.4 | 5.3 | 5.3 | 5.3 | 5.3 | 5.3 |
| New Hampshire | 3.3  | 3.2  | 3.1  | 3.0  | 2.9  | 2.9 | 2.9 | 3.0 | 3.2 | 3.3 | 3.4 | 3.4 |
| Rhode Island  | 6.2  | 6.2  | 6.3  | 6.3  | 6.4  | 6.4 | 6.3 | 6.3 | 6.3 | 6.3 | 6.4 | 6.4 |
| Vermont       | 5.4  | 5.3  | 5.2  | 5.0  | 4.9  | 4.8 | 4.8 | 4.8 | 4.9 | 4.9 | 4.9 | 4.9 |
| New England   | 5.5  | 5.5  | 5.5  | 5.4  | 5.3  | 5.3 | 5.3 | 5.3 | 5.3 | 5.3 | 5.3 | 5.3 |
| United States | 5.9  | 5.9  | 5.8  | 5.8  | 5.6  | 5.7 | 5.7 | 6.0 | 5.9 | 6.0 | 5.9 | 6.0 |
| <b>1978</b>   |      |      |      |      |      |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Connecticut   | 5.8  | 5.6  | 5.5  | 5.4  | 5.3  | 5.2 | 5.2 | 5.1 | 5.1 | 5.1 | 5.1 | 5.1 |
| Maine         | 7.0  | 6.8  | 6.5  | 6.4  | 6.3  | 6.2 | 6.2 | 6.3 | 6.3 | 6.3 | 6.3 | 6.4 |
| Massachusetts | 6.7  | 6.5  | 6.4  | 6.3  | 6.2  | 6.1 | 6.0 | 6.0 | 6.0 | 5.9 | 5.9 | 5.9 |
| New Hampshire | 4.4  | 4.2  | 4.1  | 4.0  | 3.9  | 3.9 | 3.8 | 3.7 | 3.6 | 3.5 | 3.4 | 3.3 |
| Rhode Island  | 6.9  | 6.7  | 6.6  | 6.4  | 6.3  | 6.2 | 6.1 | 6.1 | 6.1 | 6.1 | 6.1 | 6.1 |
| Vermont       | 6.3  | 6.1  | 5.9  | 5.8  | 5.7  | 5.6 | 5.5 | 5.4 | 5.4 | 5.4 | 5.4 | 5.4 |
| New England   | 6.3  | 6.1  | 6.0  | 5.9  | 5.8  | 5.7 | 5.7 | 5.6 | 5.6 | 5.6 | 5.5 | 5.5 |
| United States | 6.4  | 6.3  | 6.3  | 6.1  | 6.0  | 5.9 | 6.2 | 5.9 | 6.0 | 5.8 | 5.9 | 6.0 |
| <b>1977</b>   |      |      |      |      |      |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Connecticut   | 8.2  | 7.9  | 7.7  | 7.5  | 7.2  | 7.0 | 6.8 | 6.7 | 6.5 | 6.3 | 6.1 | 6.0 |
| Maine         | 9.1  | 9.1  | 9.0  | 8.9  | 8.7  | 8.5 | 8.3 | 8.1 | 8.0 | 7.8 | 7.5 | 7.3 |
| Massachusetts | 8.8  | 8.6  | 8.5  | 8.3  | 8.1  | 7.9 | 7.8 | 7.6 | 7.5 | 7.3 | 7.1 | 6.9 |
| New Hampshire | 6.4  | 6.3  | 6.2  | 6.1  | 5.9  | 5.7 | 5.5 | 5.3 | 5.1 | 4.9 | 4.8 | 4.6 |
| Rhode Island  | 8.8  | 8.8  | 8.6  | 8.5  | 8.3  | 8.1 | 8.0 | 7.8 | 7.7 | 7.5 | 7.3 | 7.1 |
| Vermont       | 7.6  | 7.5  | 7.4  | 7.3  | 7.1  | 7.0 | 6.9 | 6.8 | 6.8 | 6.7 | 6.6 | 6.4 |
| New England   | 8.4  | 8.3  | 8.1  | 7.9  | 7.7  | 7.6 | 7.4 | 7.2 | 7.1 | 6.9 | 6.7 | 6.5 |
| United States | 7.5  | 7.6  | 7.4  | 7.2  | 7.0  | 7.2 | 6.9 | 7.0 | 6.8 | 6.8 | 6.8 | 6.4 |
| <b>1976</b>   |      |      |      |      |      |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Connecticut   | 9.8  | 9.8  | 9.8  | 9.6  | 9.4  | 9.3 | 9.1 | 9.0 | 8.8 | 8.7 | 8.5 | 8.3 |
| Maine         | 8.7  | 8.7  | 8.6  | 8.6  | 8.5  | 8.4 | 8.4 | 8.5 | 8.6 | 8.8 | 8.9 | 9.1 |
| Massachusetts | 10.5 | 10.5 | 10.5 | 10.3 | 10.1 | 9.8 | 9.6 | 9.4 | 9.2 | 9.1 | 9.0 | 8.9 |
| New Hampshire | 6.5  | 6.5  | 6.5  | 6.5  | 6.5  | 6.5 | 6.4 | 6.4 | 6.3 | 6.3 | 6.3 | 6.4 |
| Rhode Island  | 7.8  | 7.8  | 7.7  | 7.7  | 7.7  | 7.7 | 7.8 | 8.0 | 8.2 | 8.4 | 8.6 | 8.7 |
| Vermont       | 8.6  | 8.6  | 8.6  | 8.6  | 8.5  | 8.4 | 8.3 | 8.2 | 8.0 | 7.9 | 7.7 | 7.7 |
| New England   | 9.6  | 9.6  | 9.6  | 9.4  | 9.3  | 9.1 | 9.0 | 8.8 | 8.7 | 8.7 | 8.6 | 8.5 |
| United States | 7.9  | 7.7  | 7.6  | 7.7  | 7.4  | 7.6 | 7.8 | 7.8 | 7.6 | 7.7 | 7.8 | 7.8 |