



2023 RHODE ISLAND EMPLOYMENT & WAGE REPORT

Rhode Island's recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic continues.

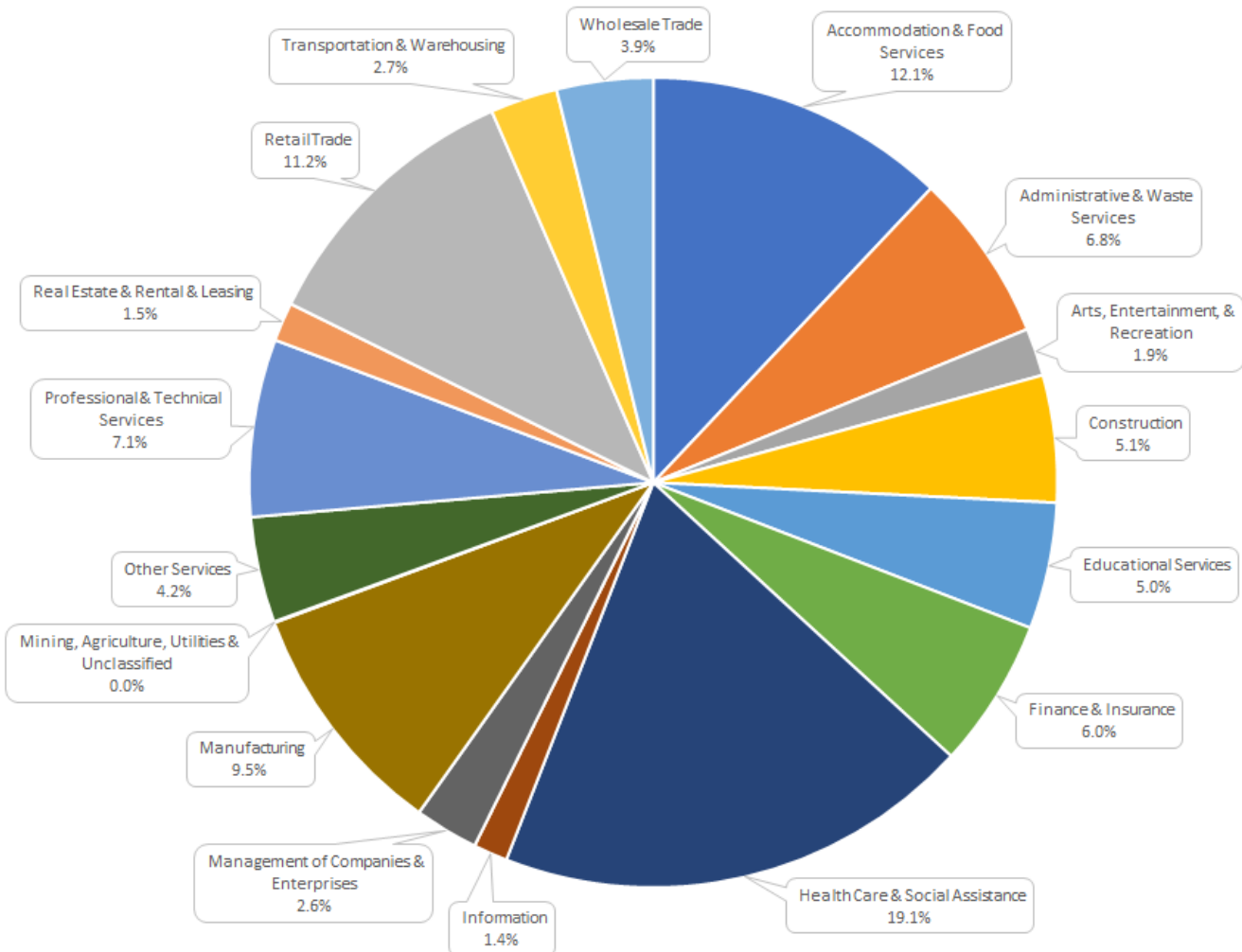
Total employment in RI averaged 487,974 in 2023, an increase of 6,687 (1.4%) from the 2022 average of 481,287. Private Only employment rose to 427,057 from 420,915, a 1.5% increase.

The sectors that saw the highest growth percentage in employment were Utilities with 16 percent, Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing, & Hunting with 14.5 percent, and Arts, Entertainment, & Recreation with 9.9 percent. We saw a decrease in Management of Companies, & Enterprises of 15.1 percent.






Total wages paid by employers increased by 4.1 percent, resulting in a 2.7 percent increase in the average annual wage to \$66,217. Whereas Private Only wages paid by employers increased by 3.8 percent, bringing the average annual wage to \$64,435.

Annual average wages increased by 6.5 percent in Construction, 6.4 percent in Mining, 5.8 percent in Other Services. We also saw a decrease of 11.2 percent in Management of Companies & Enterprises.

NAICS SECTOR	AVERAGE EMPLOYMENT 2023	TOTAL WAGES 2023	AVERAGE ANNUAL WAGE 2023	CHANGE IN EMPLOYMENT FROM 2022	CHANGE IN ANNUAL WAGE FROM 2022
Total Private & Government	487,974	\$32,312,258,938	\$66,217	6,687	\$1,715
Total Private Only	427,057	\$27,517,290,127	\$64,435	6,142	\$1,456



2023 Rhode Island Employment By Sector

NAICS SECTOR	AVERAGE EMPLOYMENT 2023	TOTAL WAGES 2023	AVERAGE ANNUAL WAGE 2023	CHANGE IN EMPLOYMENT FROM 2022	CHANGE IN EMPLOYMENT % FROM 2022	CHANGE IN ANNUAL WAGE FROM 2022	CHANGE IN ANNUAL WAGE % FROM 2022
Total Private & Government	487,974	\$32,312,258,938	\$66,217	6,687	3.9%	\$1,715	2.7%
Total Private Only	427,057	\$27,517,290,127	\$64,435	6,142	3.7%	\$1,456	2.3%
Health Care & Social Assistance	81,104	 \$4,931,338,724	\$60,803	2,583	7.4%	\$2,641	4.5%
Accommodation & Food Services	51,151	\$1,492,140,106	\$29,171	1,393	7.0%	\$1,276	4.6%
Retail Trade	47,442	\$1,922,114,174	\$40,515	186	1.9%	\$621	1.6%
Manufacturing	40,398	 \$2,793,904,583	\$69,159	226	3.8%	\$2,250	3.4%
Professional & Technical Services	30,058	 \$3,002,453,671	\$99,889	320	4.7%	\$3,670	3.8%
Administrative & Waste Services	28,685	\$1,524,149,690	\$53,134	(460)	2.0%	\$1,906	3.7%
Finance & Insurance	25,282	\$2,774,453,389	 \$109,740	(908)	-1.7%	\$2,004	1.9%
Construction	21,524	\$1,671,797,444	\$77,671	518	8.4%	\$4,751	6.5%
Educational Services	21,408	\$1,423,920,550	\$66,513	936	8.2%	\$2,651	4.2%
Other services	17,923	\$808,548,335	\$45,112	747	9.4%	\$2,481	5.8%
Wholesale Trade	16,339	\$1,565,164,567	\$95,793	34	0.5%	\$237	0.2%
Transportation & Warehousing	11,420	\$599,246,484	\$52,473	(235)	3.1%	\$2,645	5.3%
Management of Companies & Enterprises	10,839	\$1,463,991,927	 \$135,067	(229)	-15.1%	(\$17,118)	-11.2%
Arts, Entertainment, & Recreation	8,073	\$279,763,092	\$34,654	448	9.9%	\$1,591	4.8%
Real Estate & Rental & Leasing	6,559	\$411,660,151	\$62,763	131	6.2%	\$2,704	4.5%
Information	5,802	\$588,212,598	\$101,381	76	6.8%	\$5,592	5.8%
Utilities	1,612	\$194,704,347	 \$120,784	250	16.0%	\$718	0.6%
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing & Hunting	1,230	\$50,386,880	\$40,965	137	14.5%	\$1,570	4.0%
Mining	171	\$12,545,359	\$73,365	(7)	2.2%	\$4,426	6.4%










Employment changes may be influenced by noneconomic code changes resulting from NAICS revisions and/or changes in employers reporting methods. Quarterly bonuses and exercised stock options are included in calculations.

<https://dlt.ri.gov/labor-market-information>

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Source: Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages, developed through a cooperative program between the State of Rhode Island and the US Bureau of Labor Statistics, www.bls.gov

2023 Rhode Island Private Employment By Municipality

MUNICIPALITY	ESTABLISHMENTS	AVERAGE EMPLOYMENT	TOTAL WAGES	AVERAGE ANNUAL WAGE
Rhode Island Private Sector	47,439	427,057	\$27,517,290,127	\$64,435
Barrington	855	2,870	\$188,423,436	\$65,653
Bristol	818	6,327	\$338,947,526	\$53,572
Burrillville	411	2,968	\$158,630,841	\$53,447
Central Falls	388	2,628	\$123,754,668	\$47,091
Charlestown	310	1,381	\$91,795,005	\$66,470
Coventry	905	6,837	\$356,124,616	\$52,088
Cranston	3,176	 29,031	 \$1,526,170,072	\$52,570
Cumberland	1,212	10,739	\$749,883,415	\$69,828
East Greenwich	1,129	8,155	\$465,983,543	\$57,141
East Providence	1,828	21,030	\$1,263,380,265	\$60,075
Exeter	233	1,409	\$76,843,050	\$54,537
Foster	133	412	\$19,785,371	\$48,023
Gloucester	249	1,237	\$56,148,563	\$45,391
Hopkinton	243	1,254	\$70,938,049	\$56,569
Jamestown	276	1,028	\$64,681,729	\$62,920
Johnston	1,322	16,005	\$1,163,457,886	 \$72,693
Lincoln	970	14,052	\$873,165,127	\$62,138
Little Compton	185	679	\$35,047,555	\$51,616
Middletown	893	10,956	\$694,721,716	\$63,410
Narragansett	569	4,062	\$183,801,923	\$45,249
New Shoreham	210	857	\$44,935,982	\$52,434
Newport	1,624	12,769	\$703,546,471	\$55,098
North Kingstown	1,398	19,685	\$1,303,553,150	\$66,221
North Providence	899	6,497	\$300,137,325	\$46,196
North Smithfield	504	4,555	\$225,837,078	\$49,580
Pawtucket	1,972	17,267	\$983,154,366	\$56,938
Portsmouth	737	5,274	\$366,539,566	\$69,499
Providence	7,930	 95,794	 \$6,797,736,437	\$70,962
Richmond	184	1,502	\$65,149,776	\$43,375
Scituate	344	1,245	\$60,089,526	\$48,265
Smithfield	1,045	14,332	\$998,665,415	\$69,681
South Kingstown	1,283	10,241	\$567,856,656	\$55,449
Tiverton	535	3,107	\$166,736,477	\$53,665
Warren	508	3,608	\$182,951,296	\$50,707
Warwick	3,719	 43,714	 \$2,555,382,092	\$58,457
West Greenwich	258	2,946	\$263,668,624	 \$89,501
West Warwick	701	6,803	\$436,015,724	\$64,092
Westerly	1,069	8,789	\$464,440,904	\$52,843
Woonsocket	1,049	11,131	\$930,464,765	 \$83,592

QCEW is the Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages. The QCEW program data is developed through a cooperative agreement between the Rhode Island Department of Labor & Training and the US Bureau of Labor Statistics. The program derives its data from quarterly tax reports submitted by employers subject to Rhode Island's Unemployment Insurance law. Employment covered by these UI programs represents about 97% of all wage and salary civilian employment in the country.