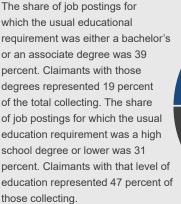
Labor Supply & Demand

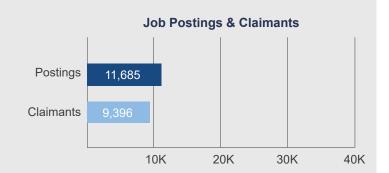
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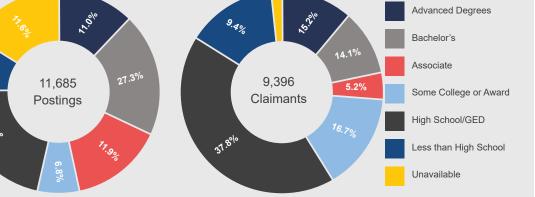
Unemployment Insurance (UI) claimants represent an able and available supply of trained workers who are currently seeking work. Online postings represent a current demand for labor detailing the types of occupations employers are seeking to fill.

On June 30, 2025, the Department of Labor and Training's EmployRI online network recorded 11,685 online job postings compared to 15,290 in Q2 2024. Also in June, 9,396 RI residents collected unemployment insurance benefits in contrast with 8,155 for the same period in 2024.



11.0% 8.3% 11,685 Postings 23.2%





The table to the right suggests that employers seeking to fill vacancies in the occupational groups near the top of the table should have an easier time finding experienced workers than those employers who are looking to employ experienced workers in occupational groups found near the bottom of the table.





The greatest labor surplus was associated with the Construction & Extraction group for which there were about 7 UI claimants with this type of work experience for every online Construction & Extraction occupation posting.

Labor shortages are most likely to be found in the Education, Training & Library, Architecture & Engineering, and Healthcare Practioners & Technical groups.

Labor Supply & Demand by Major Occupation

| | Postings* | Claimants** | Claimants/ Postings |
|--|-----------|-------------|------------------------|
| Construction & Extraction | 82 | 601 | 7.3 |
| Production | 292 | 644 | 2.2 |
| Office & Administrative Support | 591 | 1,143 | 1.9 |
| Food Preparation & Serving Related | 488 | 896 | 1.8 |
| Protective Service | 79 | 139 | 1.8 |
| Building & Grounds Cleaning & Maintenance | 155 | 209 | 1.3 |
| Transportation & Material Moving | 530 | 701 | 1.3 |
| Installation, Maintenance, & Repair | 235 | 274 | 1.2 |
| Life, Physical, & Social Science | 124 | 116 | 0.9 |
| Business & Financial Operations | 524 | 483 | 0.9 |
| Community & Social Services | 312 | 276 | 0.9 |
| Average Claimants per Posting | 11,685 | 9,396 | 0.8 |
| Arts, Design, Entertainment, Sports, & Media | 278 | 222 | 0.8 |
| Management | 1,463 | 1,162 | 0.8 |
| Personal Care & Service | 159 | 115 | 0.7 |
| Healthcare Support | 611 | 432 | 0.7 |
| Sales & Related | 709 | 471 | 0.7 |
| Computer & Mathematical | 1,183 | 469 | 0.4 |
| Education, Training, & Library | 616 | 176 | 0.3 |
| Architecture & Engineering | 538 | 131 | 0.2 |
| Healthcare Practitioners & Technical | 2,632 | 420 | 0.2 |

Labor Surplus

The 9,396 UI claimants reported previous work experience in nearly 600 different occupations. Labor surpluses existed for 30 of the 40 occupations most frequently cited by UI claimants.

Job seekers looking for employment in the occupations listed on the adjacent table may have a challenging time finding employment in the current environment.

Some surpluses exist due to school vacations, holidays, or seasonal factors; this type of surplus is typically short lived.

Labor Shortage

During the quarter, EmployRI recorded 11,685 postings for nearly 500 different occupations. The number of postings exceed the number of unemployed workers for 246 occupations, indicating a possible labor shortage for those occupations.

Employers looking for workers in the occupations listed on the adjacent table may have a challenging time finding experienced workers in the current environment.

Occupations with the Most Claimants per Posting

| Occupational Title | Postings* | Claimants** | Claimants per Posting | Educational Requirement |
|--|-----------|-------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|
| Food Servers, Nonrestaurant | | 45 | 45.0 | Less than HS |
| Packers & Packagers, Hand | | 71 | 35.5 | Less than HS |
| Construction Laborers | 8 | 118 | 14.8 | Less than HS |
| Machinists | | 97 | 12.1 | High School/GED |
| Office Clerks, General | 9 | 109 | 12.1 | High School/GED |
| Shipping, Receiving, & Traffic Clerks | | 86 | 10.8 | High School/GED |
| Food Preparation Workers | 11 | 101 | 9.2 | Less than HS |
| Light Truck or Delivery Services Drivers | | 65 | 8.1 | High School/GED |
| Mental Health Counselors | 7 | 55 | 7.9 | Master's |
| Carpenters | 12 | 70 | 5.8 | High School/GED |
| Cooks, Institution & Cafeteria | 17 | 91 | 5.4 | Less than HS |
| Driver/Sales Workers | 15 | 60 | 4.0 | High School/GED |
| Bartenders | 16 | 60 | 3.8 | Less than HS |
| Waiters & Waitresses | 25 | 92 | 3.7 | Less than HS |
| Maintenance & Repair Workers, General | 16 | 58 | 3.6 | High School/GED |
| Tax Preparers | 12 | 43 | 3.6 | High School/GED |
| Chefs & Head Cooks | 25 | 88 | 3.5 | High School/GED |
| Electricians | 20 | 69 | 3.5 | High School/GED |
| Receptionists & Information Clerks | 20 | 52 | 2.6 | High School/GED |
| Personal Care Aides | 26 | 59 | 2.3 | High School/GED |

Occupations with the Most Postings per Claimant

| Occupational Title | Postings [*] | Claimants** | Postings per Claimant | Educational Requirement |
|--|-----------------------|-------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|
| Psychiatrists | 237 | | 237.0 | Doctoral/Professional |
| Radiologic Technologist & Technicians | 76 | | 76.0 | Associate |
| Physical Therapists | 135 | 4 | 33.8 | Doctoral/Professional |
| Statisticians | 31 | | 31.0 | Master's |
| Physical Therapist Assistants | 27 | 1 | 27.0 | Associate |
| Occupational Therapists | 53 | 2 | 26.5 | Master's |
| Family medicine physicians | 25 | 1 | 25.0 | Doctoral/Professional |
| Respiratory Therapists | 47 | 2 | 23.5 | Associate |
| Operations Research Analysts | 23 | 1 | 23.0 | Bachelor's |
| Nuclear Medicine Technologists | 23 | | 23.0 | Associate |
| Speech-Language Pathologists | 43 | 2 | 21.5 | Master's |
| Sales reps of services, except advertising, insurance, financial services, & trave | a 21 | 1 | 21.0 | High School/GED |
| Surgical Technologists | 21 | 1 | 21.0 | Postsecondary |
| Computer programmers | 98 | 5 | 19.6 | Bachelor's |
| Tax Examiners & Collectors, & Revenue Agents | 19 | 1 | 19.0 | Bachelor's |
| Middle School Teachers, Except Special & Career/Tech. Education | 19 | | 19.0 | Bachelor's |
| Marriage & Family Therapists | 18 | | 18.0 | Master's |
| Dietetic Technicians | 17 | 1 | 17.0 | High School/GED |
| Arbitrators, Mediators, & Conciliators | 17 | | 17.0 | Bachelor's |
| Nurse Practitioners | 80 | 5 | 16.0 | Master's |

*Jobs posted during the 90 day period ending June 30, 2025 and still open on June 30, 2025

EmployRI aggregates postings for a variety of job boards. Software is in place that is designed to eliminate duplicate postings.

**Individuals receiving unemployment insurance payments for the week ending June 14, 2025.

Claimants select the occupational code which best describes their current position upon registering for benefits.



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