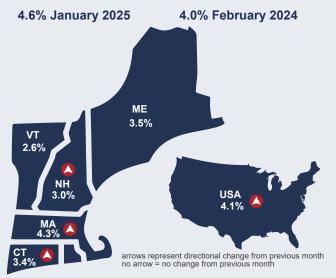


# **EMPLOYMENT BULLETIN**

# **MARCH 2025**

# 4.7% UNEMPLOYMENT RATE

Rl's seasonally adjusted unemployment for February



### **Additional Labor Force Statistics**

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	Feb 2025	Jan 2025	Feb 2024	Jan 2025	Feb 2024
Civilian Labor Force	590.6	591.1	588.6	-0.5	2.0
Resident Employment	562.6	564.0	564.7		-2.1
Unemployment	28.0	27.1	23.8	0.9	4.2
Unemployment Rate	4.7%	4.6%	4.0%	0.1	0.7

# Jobs Increase by 700 in February

The February jobs report revealed that Rhode Island's Total Nonfarm employment level of 515,100 was up 700 from the revised January employment level of 514,400. The job count is up 5,600 from a year ago.

Job gains were in the Accommodation & Food Services (+500), Construction (+400) and Transportation & Utilities (+200) sectors. Job losses were in the Private Educational Services (-300) and Government (-200) sectors.

### **Establishment Employment**

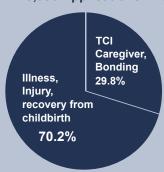
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			Net Change		
Seasonally Adjusted (in thousands)	Feb 2025	Jan 2025	Jan 2025	Jan 2024	
Total Nonfarm	515.1	514.4	0.7	5.6	
Total Private	448.7	447.8	0.9	5.0	
Natural Resources & Mining	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	
Construction	22.7	22.3	0.4	1.0	
Manufacturing	40.1	40.1	0.0	0.1	
Wholesale Trade	16.9	16.8	0.1	0.6	
Retail Trade	47.5	47.6	-0.1	0.3	
Transportation & Utilities	15.0	14.8	0.2	1.6	
Information	5.5	5.5	0.0	-0.3	
Financial Activities	35.0	35.1	-0.1	-0.1	
Professional & Business Services	69.1	69.0	0.1	0.1	
Private Educational Services	26.2	26.5	-0.3	-2.1	
Health Care & Social Assistance	86.7	86.6	0.1	2.2	
Arts, Entertainment & Recreation	8.4	8.5	-0.1	-0.1	
Accommodation & Food Services	53.4	52.9	0.5	1.9	
Other Services	22.1	22.0	0.1	-0.2	
Government	66.4	66.6	-0.2	0.6	

### City & Town Unadjusted Unemployment Rates for February

	2025	2024		2025	2024		2025	2024
Barrington	4.1		Hopkinton	5.3	4.6	Portsmouth	5.6	4.6
Bristol	5.8	4.7	Jamestown	4.6	4.1	Providence	7.4	6.0
Burrillville	6.8	5.5	Johnston	7.9	6.1	Richmond	3.4	2.7
Central Falls	7.0	5.9	Lincoln	5.5	4.1	Scituate	6.1	4.5
Charlestown		5.7	Little Compton	6.3	5.2	Smithfield	5.6	4.6
Coventry	5.6	4.5	Middletown	6.2	5.2	South Kingstown	5.8	4.9
Cranston	6.2	4.8	Narragansett	4.3	3.9	Tiverton	5.9	4.8
Cumberland	5.0	4.1	New Shoreham	16.3	12.8	Warren	5.6	4.7
East Greenwich	5.2	4.1	Newport	6.8	5.9	Warwick	5.3	4.3
East Providence	6.4	4.9	North Kingstown	4.8	3.9	West Greenwich	5.0	4.4
Exeter	6.4	4.3	North Providence	6.0	5.0	West Warwick	6.4	5.1
Foster	6.8	5.3	North Smithfield	5.5	3.9	Westerly	5.6	4.8
Glocester	5.3	4.6	Pawtucket	6.4	5.4	Woonsocket	7.9	6.2

# Temporary Disability Program (TDI)\* 3,990 Applications - February 2025

## **MARCH 2025**



# Temporary Caregiver Insurance (TCI)\*

(TCI) Claims	1,190
Approved	752
Pending	438
Bond w/ child	596
Care of Family member	156
Average TCI Payment	\$742
*Count of claims processed	

#### **Consumer Price Index**

	Feb 25	Jan 25	Feb 24	% Change Previous Year
All Items	319.1	317.7	310.3	2.8%

All Urban Consumers - Source: U.S. Dept of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics

### **Unemployment Insurance Claims Activity**

				% Cł	nange		Year to Date	
Regular Claims	Feb 2025	Jan 2025	Feb 2024	Jan 2025	Feb 2024	2025	2024	% Change
Initial Claims Received	5,933	7,019	5,636	-15.5%	5.3%	12,952	13,197	-1.9%
Initial Claims Verified (to date)	5,803	6,806	5,402	-14.7%	7.4%	12,609	12,416	1.6%
Number of Payments	52,181	49,936	47,705	4.5%	9.4%	102,117	100,840	1.3%
Amount of Payments (gross millions)	\$25.2	\$23.9	\$22.4	5.7%	12.9%	\$49.1	\$47.2	4.1%
Exhaustions (Final Payments)	687	790	641	-13.0%	7.2%	1,477	1,432	3.1%

### **Characteristics of the Insured Unemployed Claimants**

February 2025	Total	Long-Term*	% Long-Term
Total	14,072	2,528	18.0%
Male	9,298	1,327	14.3%
Female	4,774	1,201	25.2%
Education	14,072	2,528	18.0%
Less than High School	1,976	235	11.9%
High School Grad/GED	6,042	947	15.7%
Some College	2,218	461	20.8%
Associates Degree	577	140	24.3%
Bachelor's Degree	1,470	340	23.1%
Beyond Bachelor's	1,594	369	23.1%

February 2025	Total	Long-Term*	% Long-Term
Selected Industries	14,072	2,528	18.0%
Construction	2,627	275	10.5%
Manufacturing	893	271	30.3%
Administrative & Waste Services	2,839	306	10.8%
Retail Trade	984	215	21.8%
Health Care & Social Assistance	1,000	331	33.1%
Educational Services	233	75	32.2%
Selected Occupations	14,072	2,528	18.0%
Healthcare Support	320	81	25.3%
Production	777	208	26.8%
Office & Administrative Support	1,109	310	28.0%

### Labor Supply & Demand in Rhode Island

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 December 31, 2024, the Department of Labor and Training's EmployRI online network recorded 10,621 online job postings compared to 14,344 in fourth quarter 2023. Also in December, 10,117 RI residents collected unemployment insurance benefits in contrast with 9,137 for the same period last year.

The share of job postings for which the usual educational requirement was either a bachelor's or an associate degree was 29 percent. Claimants with those degrees represented 17 percent of the total collecting. The share of job postings for which the usual education requirement was a high school degree or lower was 39 percent, while the number of claimants with that level of education represented 52 percent of the total collecting.

A labor surplus was associated with eight major occupational groups. The greatest labor surplus was associated with the Construction & Extraction group for which there were 6.2 UI claimants with this type of work experience for every online Construction & Extraction occupation posting.

Labor shortages were found in twelve of the major occupational groups for the current quarter, with the severest shortages occurring in the Healthcare Practitioners & Technical and Education, Training & Library groups.

For more information, visit https://dlt.ri.gov/labor-market-information/data-center/labor-supply-and-demand.

