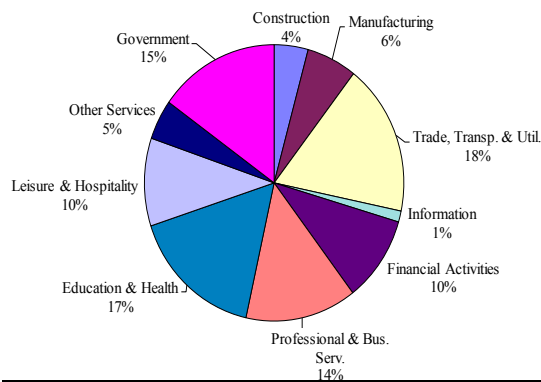


Delaware Employment Trends

After peaking at 8.4 percent in late 2009 and early 2010, Delaware's unemployment rate fell more or less steadily until the end of 2011, when it hit 7.2 percent. Since then it has plateaued, remaining in a narrow range of 7.0 to 7.3 percent. A stable unemployment rate does not mean that the economy is not growing. It can also come about when job growth and labor force growth are roughly equal. Since November 2011, the state's labor force has grown by 3,400. The number of employed residents has risen by 3,700, and the number unemployed has fallen by 350. The population of residents 16 years old and over is estimated to have risen from 714,900 to 725,500 during that time. Growth in the working-age population could keep the unemployment rate relatively high for an extended period, even with relatively strong job growth.

The unemployment rate and employment growth referenced above refer to state residents. A separate measure of jobs at employers within Delaware shows stronger job growth. From the end of 2011, when the unemployment rate entered its current plateau, jobs in Delaware have increased by 7,600. In a small state with a good deal of commuting to work across state lines, the two measures can move independently for long periods. We would expect that if the current rate of job growth in the state continues, the unemployment rate among residents will eventually resume moving lower to a more normal level.

Percent Distribution of Delaware Nonfarm Employment—May 2013



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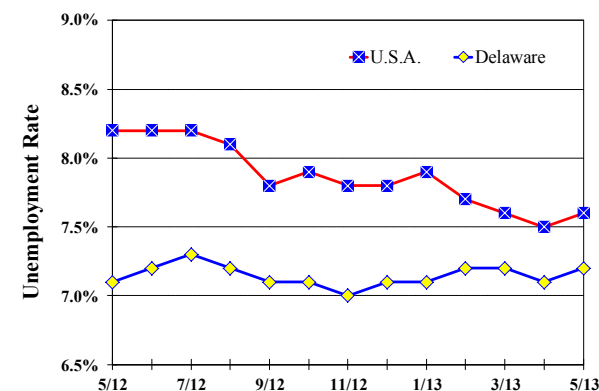
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Delaware Labor Force Trends

- Delaware's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate in May 2013 was 7.2%, up from a revised 7.1% in April 2013. There were 32,100 unemployed Delawareans in May 2013, compared to 31,600 in May 2012. The U.S. unemployment rate was 7.6% in May 2013, up from 7.5% in April 2013. In May 2012, the U.S. unemployment rate was 8.2%.
- In May 2013, seasonally adjusted nonfarm employment was 425,100, up from 424,000 in April 2013. Since May 2012, Delaware's total nonfarm jobs have increased by a net gain of +7,100, a rise of 1.7%. Nationally, jobs during that period increased 1.6%.

Delaware Civilian Labor Force

	May 2013	Apr. 2013	May 2012
Civilian Labor Force	445,200	445,500	443,400
Employment	413,100	413,700	411,800
Unemployment	32,100	31,800	31,600
Unemployment Rate %	7.2	7.1	7.1
U.S. Unemployment Rate %	7.6	7.5	8.2

Source: Delaware Dept. of Labor in cooperation with the U.S. Dept. of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Area Unemployment Rates (%)

	May 2013	Apr. 2013	May 2012
New Castle County	7.0	6.8	6.7
Wilmington	10.6	10.0	9.6
Newark	6.1	5.7	5.2
Kent County	7.2	7.3	6.9
Dover	9.2	8.5	8.5
Sussex County	6.5	7.3	6.3

Note: Area rates are not seasonally adjusted.

Source: Delaware Dept. of Labor in cooperation with the U.S. Dept. of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Delaware Nonfarm Employment— Seasonally Adjusted (in 000s) May 2012—May 2013

INDUSTRY GROUP	May 2013	Apr. 2013	Over the Month Change	Over the Year Change†
TOTAL NONAG. EMP.	425.1	424.0	1.1	7.1
CONSTRUCTION	18.0	18.4	-0.4	0.0
MANUFACTURING	26.6	26.0	0.6	0.1
Durable Goods *	9.4	9.4	0.0	-0.2
Nondurable Goods	16.5	16.5	0.0	0.3
TRADE, TRANSP., & UTIL.	75.6	75.7	-0.1	-0.3
Wholesale Trade	12.2	12.2	0.0	-0.2
Retail Trade	50.3	50.5	-0.2	-0.3
Transp. & Utilities	13.1	13.0	0.1	0.2
INFORMATION	5.5	5.5	0.0	0.0
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	42.8	42.8	0.0	0.8
PROF. & BUS. SERV.	58.9	58.2	0.7	3.4
EDUCATION & HEALTH	70.0	69.3	0.7	2.0
LEISURE & HOSPITALITY	43.7	44.5	-0.8	0.2
OTHER SERVICES	19.9	19.7	0.2	0.5
GOVERNMENT	64.1	63.9	0.2	0.4
Federal Government *	5.5	5.5	0.0	-0.1
State Government	32.0	32.2	-0.2	-0.1
Local Government	26.8	26.3	0.5	0.6

*Industries are not seasonally adjusted.

† Annual changes are not seasonally adjusted.

Details may not add up due to rounding and seasonal adjustment.

Source: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

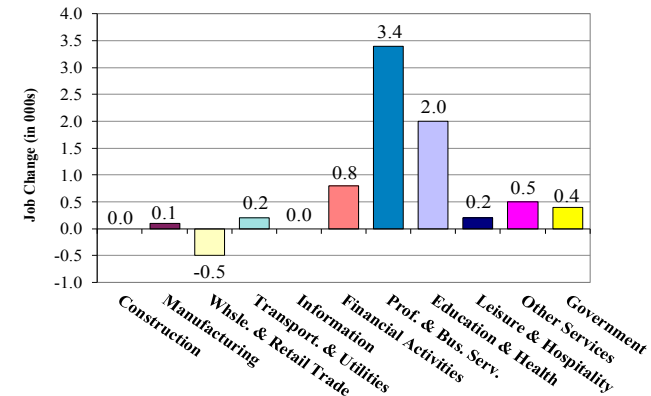
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Consumer Price Index All Urban Consumers

	Percent Change to May 2013 from:		
	Apr. 2013	Mar. 2013	May. 2012
U.S. City Average	0.2	0.1	1.4
Phila.-Wilm.-Atlantic City*	NA	NA	NA

* Data are published on a bi-monthly basis.

Delaware Over-The-Year Job Change May 2012—May 2013



Hours & Earnings All Employee (Total Private)

	May 2013	Apr. 2013	May 2012
Weekly Earnings	\$719.93	\$729.32	\$708.81
Weekly Hours	32.4	32.4	32.8
Hourly Earnings	\$22.22	\$22.51	\$21.61

Source: Delaware Dept. of Labor in cooperation with the U.S. Dept. of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Delaware Annual Net Job Change 1992 to 2012

