



Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages



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The **Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW)** program publishes a quarterly count of employment and wages reported by employers covering 98 percent of U.S. jobs, available at the county, MSA, state and national levels by industry.

Announcements

NEW [Research data on the nonprofit sector](#)

UPDATED Tuesday, September 30, 2014 - QCEW 2013 annual average CSV files updated with correct annual average pay values. [Details](#)

NEW [Employment and Wages, Annual Averages 2013](#)

NEW [QCEW Open Data Access](#): QCEW now provides a collection of CSV files designed to allow third party programmers, developers, and organizations to retrieve published QCEW data in CSV format.

NEW [QCEW Data Viewer: County, MSA, State, and National Data by Industry](#)

NEW Hurricane flood zone [maps and tables](#) of employment, wages, and establishment counts

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NEW Article [The Marcellus Shale gas boom in Pennsylvania: employment and wage trends](#)

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QCEW News Releases

County Employment and Wages

September 18, 2014

From first quarter 2013 to first quarter 2014, Chester, Pa., had the largest percentage increase in average weekly wages at 13.9 percent. Weld, Colo., had the largest over-the-year percentage increase in employment in March 2014 at 7.5 percent. [More...](#)

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Quarterly Releases

- County Employment and Wages ([HTML](#)) ([PDF](#))
- [County Employment and Wages by State from BLS Regional Offices](#)
- Quarterly Data on Business Employment Dynamics ([HTML](#)) ([PDF](#))
- Subscribe to the [BLS News Service](#)— receive the County Employment and Wages news release by e-mail.
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QCEW Databases

Databases

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State and County Wages (Quarterly Census of Employment & Wages - QCEW)		 TOP PICKS	 ONE-SCREEN DATA SEARCH	 MULTI-SCREEN DATA SEARCH	 TABLES	 TEXT FILES

Calculators

Calculator Name	Calculator
Location Quotient Provides a way to readily compare the industrial activity levels among different areas of the country.	

Downloadable Data Files

- [Guide to Downloadable Files](#)— The full history of QCEW data, in rich detail is accessible here.

More Tools

- **Open Data Access**
 - [Overview](#) -Learn more about the collection of CSV files designed to allow third party programmers, developers, and organizations to retrieve published QCEW data in CSV format.
 - [Data Slices: Structure and Storage](#) -Learn more about the storage and structure of QCEW's collection of CSV data slices.
 - [Programming Language Examples](#) -QCEW data slices can be directly accessed from various programming languages. QCEW has made an effort to provide simple examples in several different languages.
- [QCEW State and County Maps](#) - View QCEW maps, charts and data tables
- [Series Report](#) —Already know the series identifier for the statistic you want? Use this shortcut to retrieve your data.

[All QCEW Databases](#)

QCEW Reporting Data

- [Industry Verification Form \(ARS\)](#)
- [The Multiple Worksite Report \(MWR\)](#)
- [Multiple Worksite Report State Forms](#)
- [Electronic Data Reporting](#)
- [Proper Monthly Employment Reporting for State Unemployment Insurance and Common Reporting Problems](#)

QCEW Publications

- **NEW** [Employment and Wages, Annual Averages](#)
- **NEW** [The Marcellus Shale gas boom in Pennsylvania: employment and wage trends](#)
- **NEW** [Employment and wage changes in oil-producing counties in the Bakken Formation, 2007-2011](#)
- [Gulf oil and gas drilling employment](#)
- [Gulf oil spill fact sheet](#)
- [Employment and Wages, Annual Averages archive](#)
- [Issues in Labor Statistics](#)
- [Charts of QCEW data\(From the Editor's Desk\)](#)
- [BLS Handbook of Methods, Chapter 5, Employment and Wages Covered by Unemployment Insurance](#)
- [Technical notes and references](#) (including SIC, NAICS, and State information)

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QCEW Frequently Asked Questions

Frequently Asked Questions

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QCEW Special Notices

- [NAICS 2012 Comment Period Open](#)
- [Errors in Fourth Quarter 2006 News Release](#)
- [Effects of Hurricane Katrina on the Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages](#)
- [BLS Releases Location Quotient Calculator: New BLS Web Tool Allows Local Area Comparisons](#)
- [Revision of "County Employment and Wages: Fourth Quarter 2003" news release](#)
- [Assessing the Timeliness of Business Births in BLS Establishment Statistics \(PDF 71K\)](#)
- [Notes on Federal Government Wages](#)
- [Employment in Areas of Manhattan Affected by the Events of September 11, 2001](#)
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QCEW Related Links

Other BLS Programs

- [Business Employment Dynamics](#)—quarterly data series of job gains and job losses statistics, generated from the Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages program.
- [Employment, Hours, and Earnings from the CES survey \(National\)](#)—monthly national data by detailed industry on employment, hours, and earnings of workers on the payrolls of nonfarm establishments.
- [Employment, Hours, and Earnings from the CES survey \(State and Area\)](#)—monthly data on employment, hours, and earnings by industry and geographic area.

Other Useful Links

- [Department of Labor wage and hour enforcement units](#)—state-by-state directory of wage and hour district office locations.
- [Comparison of State UI laws](#)—state-by-state information on workers covered, benefit eligibility, methods of financing, and related topics.
- [Bureau of Economic Analysis](#)
- [County maps and profiles from the Bureau of the Census](#)

- [North American Industry Classification System \(NAICS\)](#)—The official NAICS home page from the Bureau of the Census.
- [Links to our State Partners](#)—A map and directory of UI-related State webpages from the Office of Workforce Security, Department of Labor.
- [Wage and Hour Division of the Employment Standards Administration: Frequently Asked Questions](#)—Answers to questions about wages, overtime, work hours, recordkeeping, and child labor.

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For BLS QCEW Survey Respondents

- [Multiple worksite Report \(MWR\)](#): (877) 222-0955 or e-mail mwr.helpdesk@bls.gov
- [Industry Verification Form \(ARS\)](#): please contact your respective [state office](#)
- For more information on data collection forms, please follow [QCEW Reporting](#) on the QCEW homepage.

For QCEW Data Users

- Telephone: (202) 691-6567
- E-mail: [Contact QCEW](#)
- Written inquiries:

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 Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages
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For related data sources

- [Occupational Employment Statistics](#)
- [Current Employment Statistics](#)
- [Local Area Unemployment Statistics](#)
- [Census Bureau](#)

For state-published data

The cooperating State Workforce Agencies ([SWAs](#)) have labor market information offices that publish and disseminate QCEW data for their states.

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**Total Covered, All Industry Aggregations, Miami-Dade County, Florida
2012 Annual Averages, All establishment sizes**[PRINT](#)**Source: Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages - Bureau of Labor Statistics**

Industry	Annual Establishments	Annual Average Employment	Total Annual Wages	Annual Average Weekly Wage	Annual Wages per Employee
Total, all industries	89,399	992,676	\$46,666,947,281	\$904	\$47,011

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**Private, NAICS Sub-Sectors, Miami-Dade County, Florida
2012 Annual Averages, All establishment sizes**

Source: Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages - Bureau of Labor Statistics

NAICS Sub-Sector	Annual Establishments	Annual Average Employment	Total Annual Wages	Annual Average Weekly Wage	Annual Wages per Employee
NAICS 111 Crop production	319	6,581	\$170,564,279	\$498	\$25,917
NAICS 112 Animal production and aquaculture	22	112	4,427,705	761	39,592
NAICS 115 Agriculture and forestry support activities	79	1,448	41,733,797	554	28,822
NAICS 212 Mining, except oil and gas	30	326	20,983,758	1,238	64,384
NAICS 221 Utilities	49	2,813	280,418,130	1,917	99,678
NAICS 236 Construction of buildings	1,396	6,743	424,265,148	1,210	62,921
NAICS 237 Heavy and civil engineering construction	364	4,781	268,413,077	1,080	56,145
NAICS 238 Specialty trade contractors	3,271	18,528	683,187,530	709	36,873
NAICS 311 Food manufacturing	343	4,408	146,586,278	639	33,254
NAICS 312 Beverage and tobacco product manufacturing	35	776	42,686,747	1,058	55,026
NAICS 313 Textile mills	28	301	12,484,209	798	41,510
NAICS 314 Textile product mills	69	601	17,208,315	550	28,613
NAICS 315 Apparel manufacturing	94	1,225	40,187,454	631	32,804
NAICS 316 Leather and allied product manufacturing	15	82	3,060,174	716	37,243
NAICS 321 Wood product manufacturing	66	583	16,521,999	545	28,344
NAICS 322 Paper manufacturing	44	1,008	46,796,810	893	46,414
NAICS 323 Printing and related support activities	349	2,649	99,294,828	721	37,480
NAICS 324 Petroleum and coal	10	977	47,699,195	939	48,818
Footnotes: This table excludes rows with suppressed employment and wages					

NAICS Sub-Sector	Annual Establishments	Annual Average Employment	Total Annual Wages	Annual Average Weekly Wage	Annual Wages per Employee
products manufacturing					
NAICS 325 Chemical manufacturing	130	2,170	143,124,307	1,268	65,956
NAICS 326 Plastics and rubber products manufacturing	77	1,584	57,848,764	702	36,528
NAICS 327 Nonmetallic mineral product manufacturing	126	2,280	105,937,194	893	46,455
NAICS 331 Primary metal manufacturing	27	413	28,717,712	1,337	69,506
NAICS 332 Fabricated metal product manufacturing	277	3,857	145,899,471	727	37,824
NAICS 333 Machinery manufacturing	120	1,535	60,097,854	753	39,154
NAICS 334 Computer and electronic product manufacturing	98	2,706	178,912,520	1,271	66,111
NAICS 335 Electrical equipment and appliance mfg.	60	935	35,719,412	735	38,203
NAICS 336 Transportation equipment manufacturing	158	3,020	149,482,755	952	49,502
NAICS 337 Furniture and related product manufacturing	219	1,714	49,576,068	556	28,926
NAICS 339 Miscellaneous manufacturing	295	2,913	144,868,485	956	49,730
NAICS 423 Merchant wholesalers, durable goods	5,425	31,534	1,946,600,752	1,187	61,730
NAICS 424 Merchant wholesalers, nondurable goods	2,452	25,762	1,453,810,347	1,085	56,433
NAICS 425 Electronic markets	2,094	7,493	443,482,621	1,138	59,186
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NAICS Sub-Sector	Annual Establishments	Annual Average Employment	Total Annual Wages	Annual Average Weekly Wage	Annual Wages per Employee
and agents and brokers					
NAICS 441 Motor vehicle and parts dealers	1,408	13,510	634,105,050	903	46,935
NAICS 442 Furniture and home furnishings stores	595	4,419	142,464,333	620	32,239
NAICS 443 Electronics and appliance stores	980	7,354	287,311,989	751	39,067
NAICS 444 Building material and garden supply stores	632	7,181	228,372,074	612	31,804
NAICS 445 Food and beverage stores	1,622	24,772	548,194,237	426	22,130
NAICS 446 Health and personal care stores	1,605	12,265	409,355,374	642	33,375
NAICS 447 Gasoline stations	521	2,995	68,048,815	437	22,719
NAICS 448 Clothing and clothing accessories stores	2,380	22,235	481,921,948	417	21,674
NAICS 451 Sporting goods, hobby, book and music stores	462	3,883	83,798,548	415	21,579
NAICS 452 General merchandise stores	602	23,429	542,091,939	445	23,137
NAICS 453 Miscellaneous store retailers	1,396	7,559	227,671,323	579	30,118
NAICS 454 Nonstore retailers	595	2,765	129,691,989	902	46,899
NAICS 481 Air transportation	196	13,739	865,066,534	1,211	62,966
NAICS 483 Water transportation	64	8,886	625,741,549	1,354	70,419
NAICS 484 Truck transportation	676	4,338	183,354,879	813	42,263
NAICS 485 Transit and ground passenger transportation	187	2,377	71,617,098	579	30,129
NAICS 487 Scenic and sightseeing transportation	63	214	7,066,381	636	33,059
	1,555	18,079	754,066,188	802	41,709

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NAICS Sub-Sector	Annual Establishments	Annual Average Employment	Total Annual Wages	Annual Average Weekly Wage	Annual Wages per Employee
NAICS 488 Support activities for transportation					
NAICS 491 Postal service	4	5	116,181	454	23,630
NAICS 492 Couriers and messengers	362	6,697	344,662,656	990	51,469
NAICS 493 Warehousing and storage	129	2,548	107,614,091	812	42,239
NAICS 511 Publishing industries, except internet	215	2,046	124,394,787	1,169	60,787
NAICS 512 Motion picture and sound recording industries	387	2,371	143,886,131	1,167	60,682
NAICS 515 Broadcasting, except internet	142	5,115	445,543,837	1,675	87,104
NAICS 517 Telecommunications	451	5,958	412,158,408	1,330	69,182
NAICS 518 Data processing, hosting and related services	143	895	68,364,202	1,468	76,356
NAICS 519 Other information services	169	912	67,165,370	1,417	73,680
NAICS 522 Credit intermediation and related activities	1,453	21,159	1,511,602,342	1,374	71,439
NAICS 523 Securities, commodity contracts, investments	1,241	7,484	1,247,135,574	3,205	166,637
NAICS 524 Insurance carriers and related activities	1,623	15,097	1,017,655,298	1,296	67,409
NAICS 531 Real estate	4,067	17,726	751,968,171	816	42,421
NAICS 532 Rental and leasing services	725	5,417	264,265,065	938	48,786
NAICS 533 Lessors of nonfinancial intangible assets	16	57	4,188,580	1,403	72,951
NAICS 541 Professional and technical services	13,815	61,581	4,801,645,487	1,499	77,973
Footnotes: This table excludes rows with suppressed employment and wages					

NAICS Sub-Sector	Annual Establishments	Annual Average Employment	Total Annual Wages	Annual Average Weekly Wage	Annual Wages per Employee
NAICS 551 Management of companies and enterprises	451	7,834	884,227,457	2,171	112,875
NAICS 561 Administrative and support services	4,419	57,299	1,761,144,665	591	30,736
NAICS 562 Waste management and remediation services	105	1,752	92,652,014	1,017	52,896
NAICS 611 Educational services	1,037	25,674	1,114,062,546	834	43,393
NAICS 621 Ambulatory health care services	7,227	55,006	2,760,409,127	965	50,184
NAICS 622 Hospitals	133	43,871	2,490,171,535	1,092	56,761
NAICS 623 Nursing and residential care facilities	482	16,931	498,670,052	566	29,453
NAICS 624 Social assistance	1,141	16,257	392,032,738	464	24,115
NAICS 711 Performing arts and spectator sports	653	5,696	638,924,428	2,157	112,167
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