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This fact sheet presents recent **employment and unemployment, price, and earnings data** for Delaware, Dover Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA), and the United States. The **Consumer Price Index (CPI)** measures price changes, or inflation, for particular commodities and services at the retail level. The **Producer Price Index (PPI)** measures price changes, or inflation, for particular commodities and services at the wholesale level and is widely used by business firms as an escalator in long-term contracts. The **Employment Cost Index (ECI)** measures price changes, or inflation, of labor costs which includes wages and salaries and employer costs for employee benefits. The earnings data are from the **Occupational Employment Statistics (OES)**.

Consumer Price Index (1982-84) = 100	December 2008	December 2009	Percent change
All Urban Consumers (CPI-U)			
U.S. City Average	210.228	215.949	2.7
South	203.501	209.476	2.9
South (size class B/C)*	129.099	133.252	3.2
Urban Wage Earners & Clerical Workers (CPI-W)			
U.S. City Average	204.813	211.703	3.4
South	199.399	206.716	3.7
South (size class B/C)*	127.055	132.136	4.0
Producer Price Index, U.S. (1982 = 100)	December 2008	December 2009	Percent change
Finished goods	168.8	176.2	4.4
All commodities	170.9	178.1	4.2
Industrial commodities	172.3	180.4	4.7

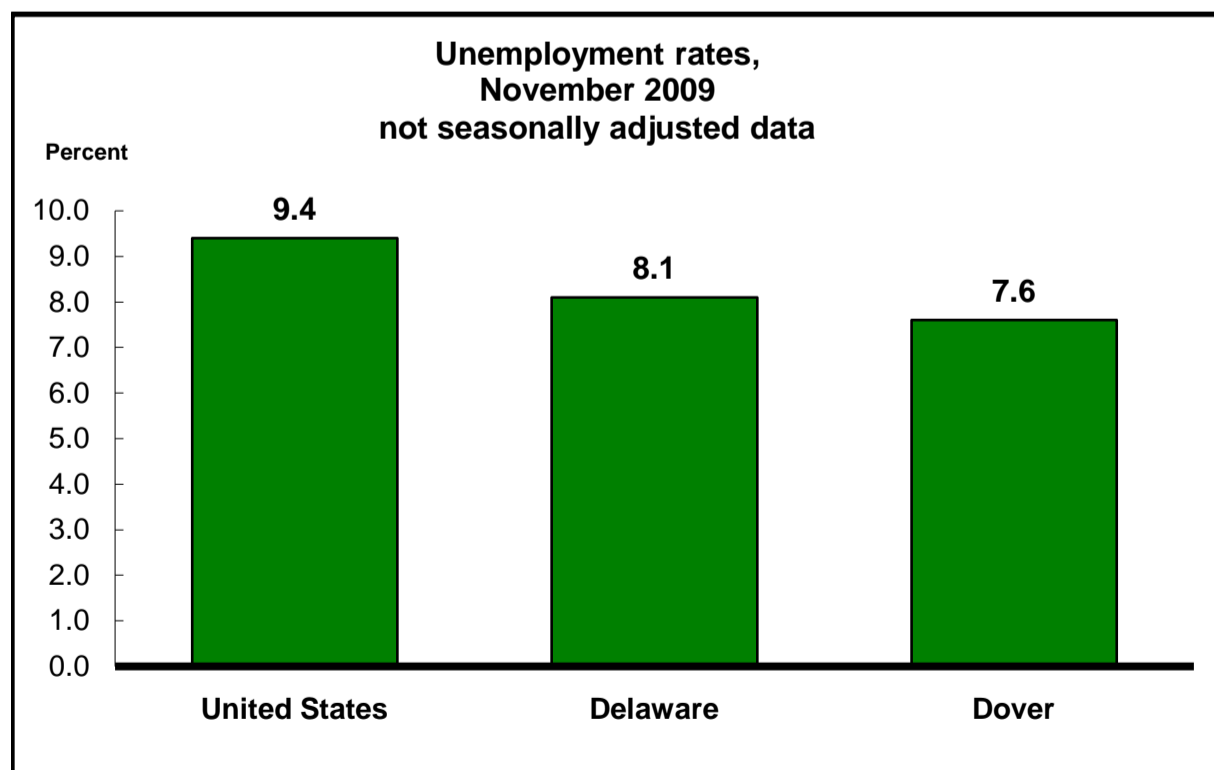
*Southern cities with populations from 50,000 to 1,500,000 (December 1996=100)

Most recent PPI numbers are preliminary.

Unemployment levels, age 16 years and over (not seasonally adjusted, in thousands)

Area	November 2008	November 2009	Net change	Percent change
United States	10,015	14,407	4,392	43.9
Delaware	23.6	34.4	10.8	45.7
Dover	3.9	5.5	1.6	41.4

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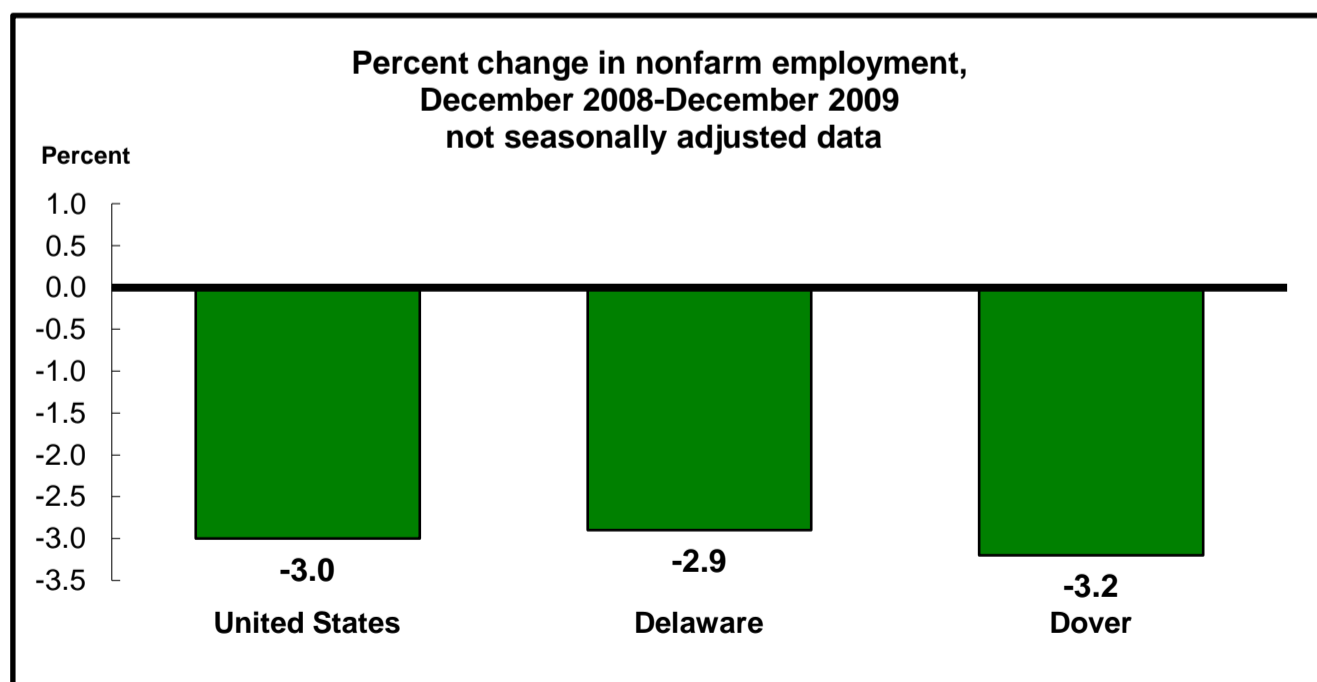


Employment Cost Index (December 2005) = 100	3rd Qtr. 2008	3rd Qtr. 2009	Percent change
Total Compensation-Private Industry Workers			
United States	108.7	110.0	1.2
South	109.1	110.6	1.4
South Atlantic	109.7	111.3	1.5
Occupational Wages Selected Occupations	Mean Hourly Earnings May 2008		
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Total, all occupations		\$18.37	
Education, training, and library		24.16	
Office and administrative support		14.38	
Construction and extraction		18.26	
Sales and related		13.67	
Healthcare practitioner and technical		32.69	
Food preparation and serving related		9.72	
Production		14.67	
Installation, maintenance, and repair		20.33	
Transportation and material moving		14.60	

Nonfarm payroll employment (not seasonally adjusted, in thousands)

Area	December 2008	December 2009	Net change	Percent change
United States	135,917	131,821	-4,096	-3.0
Delaware	425.0	412.8	-12.2	-2.9
Dover	64.8	62.7	-2.1	-3.2

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