

Selected BLS Economic Indicators

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This fact sheet presents recent **employment and unemployment, price, and earnings data** for Delaware, the 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 2010	December 2011	Percent change
All Urban Consumers (CPI-U)			
U.S. City Average	219.179	225.672	3.0
South	212.488	219.469	3.3
South (size class B/C)*	135.240	139.838	3.4
Urban Wage Earners & Clerical Workers (CPI-W)			
U.S. City Average	215.262	222.166	3.2
South	209.994	217.463	3.6
South (size class B/C)*	134.405	139.299	3.6
Producer Price Index, U.S. (1982 = 100)	December 2010	December 2011	Percent change
Finished goods	182.6	191.3	4.8
All commodities	189.7	200.2	5.5
Industrial commodities	191.3	201.1	5.1

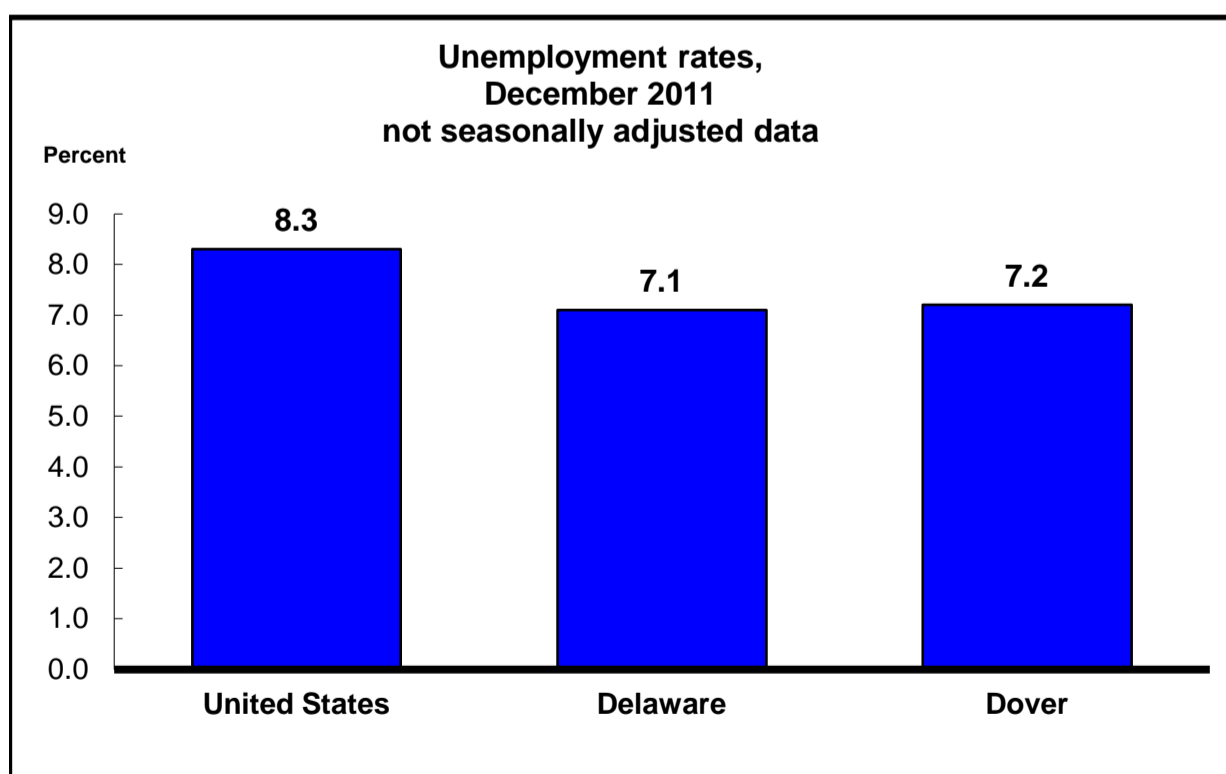
*Southern cities with populations from 50,000 to 1,500,000 (December 1996=100)

Most recent PPI numbers are preliminary.

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

Area	December 2010	December 2011	Net change	Percent change
United States	13,997	12,692	-1,305	-9.3
Delaware	34.5	30.7	-3.8	-11.1
Dover	5.9	5.3	-0.6	-9.6

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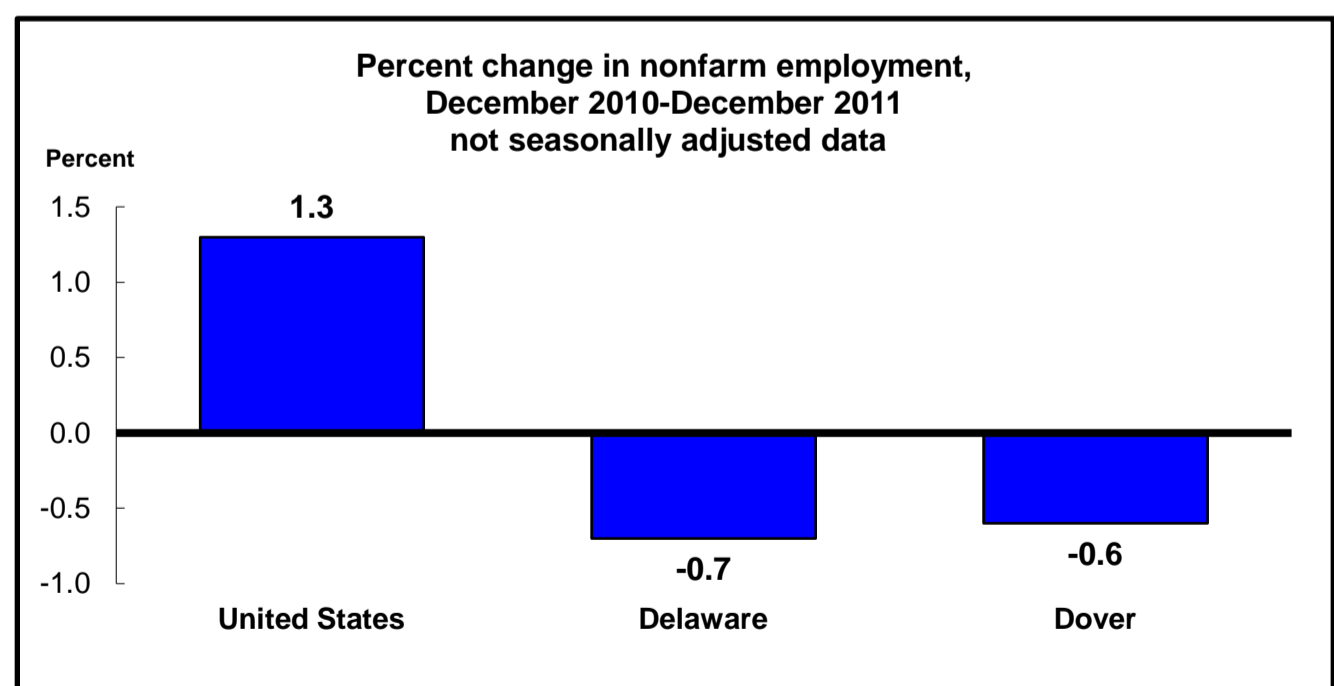


Employment Cost Index (December 2005) = 100	4th Qtr. 2010	4th Qtr. 2011	Percent change
Total Compensation-Private Industry Workers			
United States	112.5	115.0	2.2
South	112.8	115.0	2.0
South Atlantic	113.3	115.4	1.9
Occupational Wages Selected Occupations	Mean Hourly Earnings May 2010		
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Total, all occupations	\$18.81		
Education, training, and library	23.50		
Office and administrative support	14.59		
Construction and extraction	19.40		
Sales and related	14.13		
Healthcare practitioner and technical	33.33		
Food preparation and serving related	10.10		
Production	14.76		
Installation, maintenance, and repair	21.18		
Transportation and material moving	14.39		

Nonfarm payroll employment (not seasonally adjusted, in thousands)

Area	December 2010	December 2011	Net change	Percent change
United States	131,185	132,952	1,767	1.3
Delaware	416.4	413.5	-2.9	-0.7
Dover	64.2	63.8	-0.4	-0.6

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The Dover, Del. Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) includes Kent County in Delaware.

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