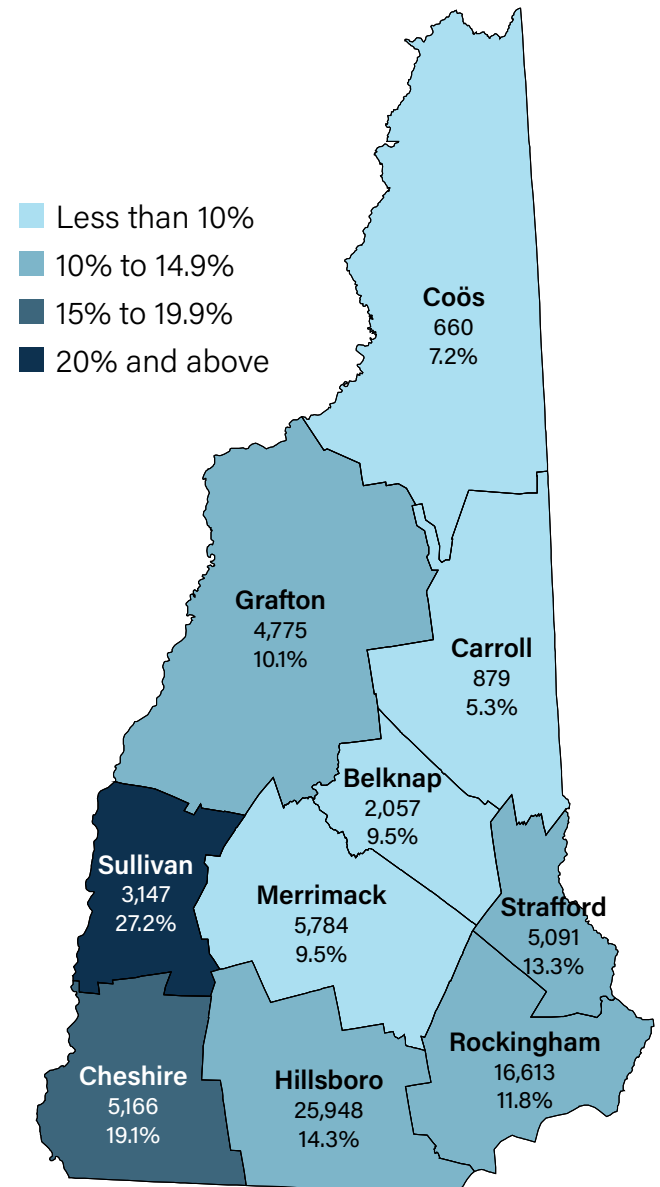


Manufacturing in New Hampshire

- In 2023, an average of 70,311 workers were employed in the manufacturing sector, the third largest number of workers among all industries.
 - ▶ Only two sectors employed more workers: health care and social assistance with 94,639 workers, and retail trade with 90,325 workers.
 - ▶ Although manufacturing employment increased in 2023, it remained approximately 1,100 workers below 2019 employment.
- Manufacturing accounted for 11.7 percent of total private (non-government) employment in New Hampshire.
- The 2023 private sector share of manufacturing workers in New Hampshire remained above Missouri at 16th highest among all states in the U.S. and was higher than the national average of 9.8 percent.
- Manufacturing workers were paid an average of \$1,326 per week in 2023.¹ The average weekly wage for all privately employed workers was \$1,149.
 - ▶ Manufacturing workers worked an average of 39.7 hours per week in 2023, compared to 33.6 hours for total private employment.
- Of the 44,739 New Hampshire online job ads posted between July and August 2023, 3,022 were for positions in the manufacturing sector.² This accounted for 6.7 percent of total job postings for the period.
 - ▶ 507 job ads were for production occupations (17 percent)
 - ▶ 367 job ads were for management occupations (12 percent)
 - ▶ 353 job ads were for sales and related operations occupations (12 percent)
 - ▶ 293 job ads were for computer and mathematical occupations (10 percent)
 - ▶ 249 job ads were for architecture and engineering occupations (eight percent)
- Workers in New Hampshire manufacturing sector jobs are less likely to leave their job after hire. The turnover rate in manufacturing, indicating the portion of workers that are new in the industry, was about 65 percent of the rate for workers in all industries.

Number and Share of Private Sector Workers in Manufacturing by County, 2023



¹ Source: Current Employment Statistics, Annual Average 2023, Not Seasonally Adjusted

² Source: Lightcast™ Developer, 2024

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SOC Code	Occupations Commonly Employed in Manufacturing	2023 Q2 Estimated Employment	Percent Change to 2025 Q2	Average Annual Openings	Median Hourly Wage, 2024	Entry-Level Requirements		
						Education	Work Experience	Post-Hire Training
51-2090	Miscellaneous Assemblers and Fabricators	5,778	-1.5%	562	\$19.24	High School	None	Moderate OJT
51-9061	Inspectors, Testers, Sorters, Samplers, and Weighers	3,582	0.4%	417	\$23.55	High School	None	Moderate OJT
51-2028	Electrical, Electronic, and Electromechanical Assemblers, Except Coil Winders, Tapers, and Finishers	3,068	1.1%	341	\$21.87	High School	None	Moderate OJT
51-1011	First-Line Supervisors of Production and Operating Workers	3,335	1.5%	335	\$36.16	High School	< 5 years	None
51-9161	Computer Numerically Controlled Tool Operators	2,816	-1.1%	238	\$24.61	High School	None	Moderate OJT
51-4041	Machinists	1,675	1.4%	176	\$27.12	High School	None	Long OJT
51-9111	Packaging and Filling Machine Operators and Tenders	936	0.3%	101	\$21.71	High School	None	Moderate OJT
51-4081	Multiple Machine Tool Setters, Operators, and Tenders, Metal and Plastic	1,041	1.8%	112	\$19.02	High School	None	Moderate OJT
51-9198	Helpers--Production Workers	685	-0.9%	103	\$18.48	High School	None	Short OJT
51-9199	Production Workers, All Other	1,146	0.6%	128	\$20.82	High School	None	Moderate OJT
51-4121	Welders, Cutters, Solderers, and Brazers	1,238	1.8%	131	\$26.50	High School	None	Moderate OJT
51-3011	Bakers	794	2.5%	127	\$17.17	No formal ed.	None	Long OJT
51-4072	Molding, Coremaking, and Casting Machine Setters, Operators, and Tenders, Metal and Plastic	661	1.1%	63	\$19.25	High School	None	Moderate OJT
51-5112	Printing Press Operators	814	-2.7%	75	\$22.86	High School	None	Moderate OJT
51-6011	Laundry and Dry-Cleaning Workers	825	0.8%	116	\$16.34	No formal ed.	None	Short OJT
51-4033	Grinding, Lapping, Polishing, and Buffing Machine Tool Setters, Operators, and Tenders, Metal and Plastic	661	-0.9%	66	\$20.56	High School	None	Moderate OJT

Source: New Hampshire Short-term Occupational Employment Projections, 2023Q2 to 2025Q2; New Hampshire Occupational Employment and Wage Statistics (OEWS), 2024.
 Note: Wage data are from the May 2023 OEWS Panel

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						Education	Work Experience	Post-Hire Training
51-4031	Cutting, Punching, and Press Machine Setters, Operators, and Tenders, Metal and Plastic	895	-1.9%	78	\$21.73	High School	None	Moderate OJT
51-4199	Metal Workers and Plastic Workers, All Other	623	-1.9%	53	\$20.68	High School	None	Moderate OJT
51-3021	Butchers and Meat Cutters	451	2.0%	57	\$22.09	No formal ed.	None	Long OJT
51-6031	Sewing Machine Operators	414	-2.4%	41	\$18.75	No formal ed.	None	Short OJT
51-9124	Coating, Painting, and Spraying Machine Setters, Operators, and Tenders	628	1.1%	61	\$22.54	High School	None	Moderate OJT
51-7042	Woodworking Machine Setters, Operators, and Tenders, Except Sawing	364	1.4%	36	\$21.02	High School	None	Moderate OJT
51-8031	Water and Wastewater Treatment Plant and System Operators	412	-0.2%	38	\$26.93	High School	None	Long OJT
51-9023	Mixing and Blending Machine Setters, Operators, and Tenders	223	2.7%	26	\$22.93	High School	None	Moderate OJT
51-3092	Food Batchmakers	424	1.7%	68	\$17.42	High School	None	Moderate OJT
51-4122	Welding, Soldering, and Brazing Machine Setters, Operators, and Tenders	269	-0.7%	25	\$20.81	High School	None	Moderate OJT
51-7011	Cabinetmakers and Bench Carpenters	269	0.4%	25	\$22.84	High School	None	Moderate OJT
51-9162	Computer Numerically Controlled Tool Programmers	357	4.8%	42	\$32.31	Postsecondary non-degree	None	Moderate OJT
51-9081	Dental Laboratory Technicians	54	-1.9%	6	\$24.29	High School	None	Moderate OJT