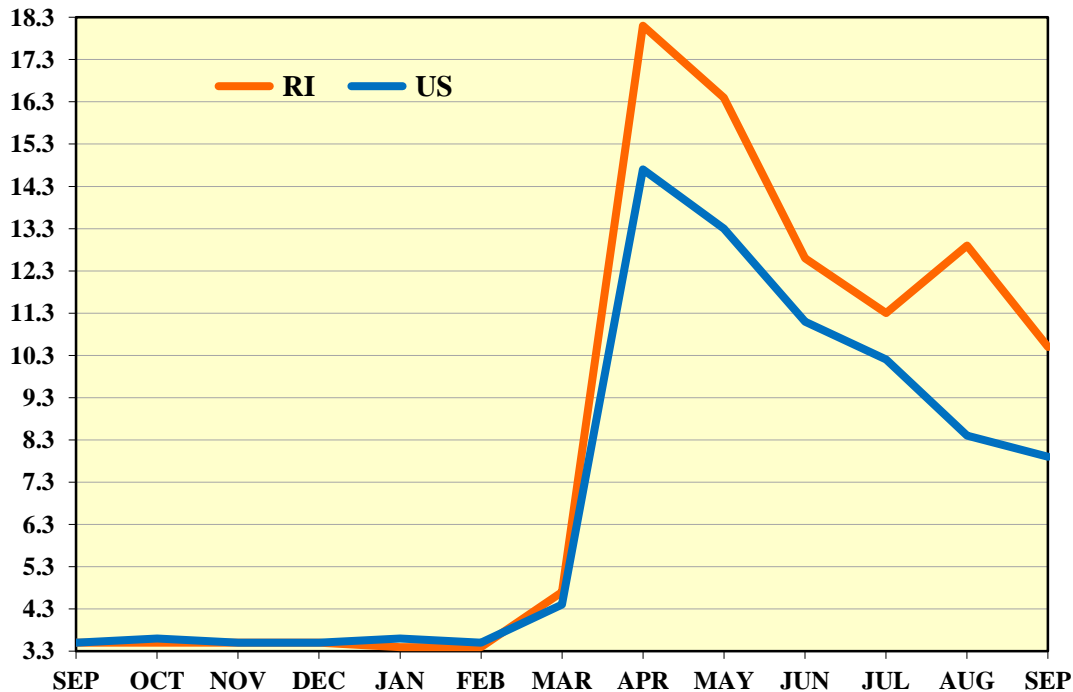


# Rhode Island Unemployment

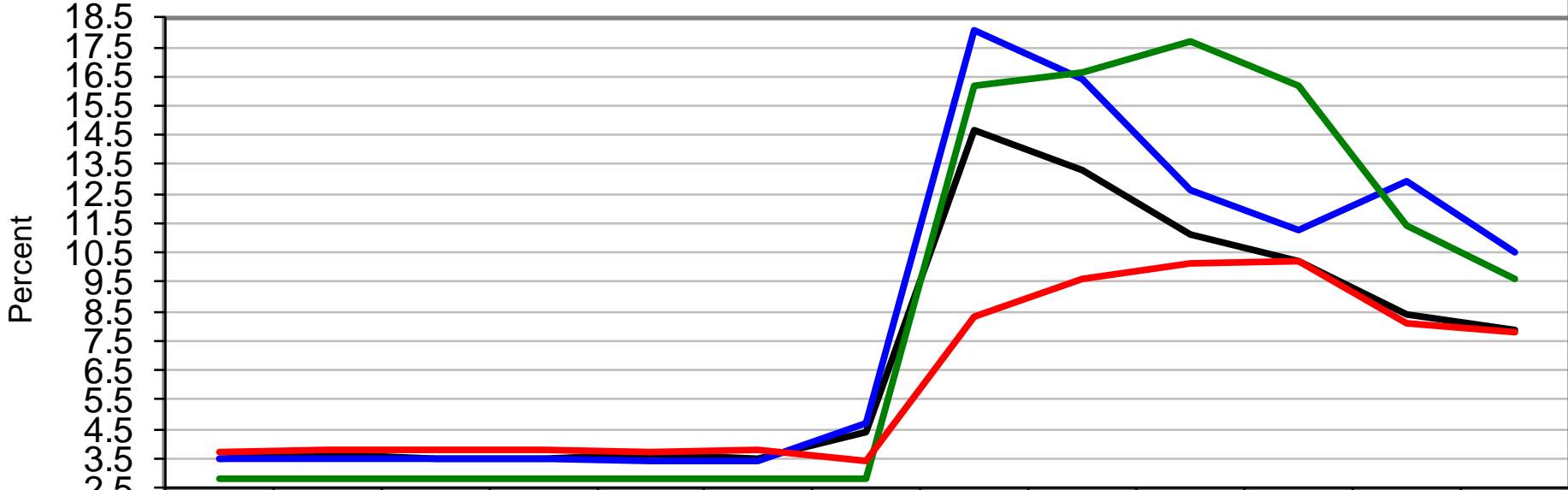
## Rhode Island & United States Seasonally Adjusted Unemployment Rates September 2019 – September 2020



- April 2020 = 18.1%, highest in over 40 years
- September 2020 = 10.5% unemployment  
59,000 unemployed

# Seasonally Adjusted Unemployment Rates

**Seasonally Adjusted Unemployment Rates  
September 2019 to September 2020**



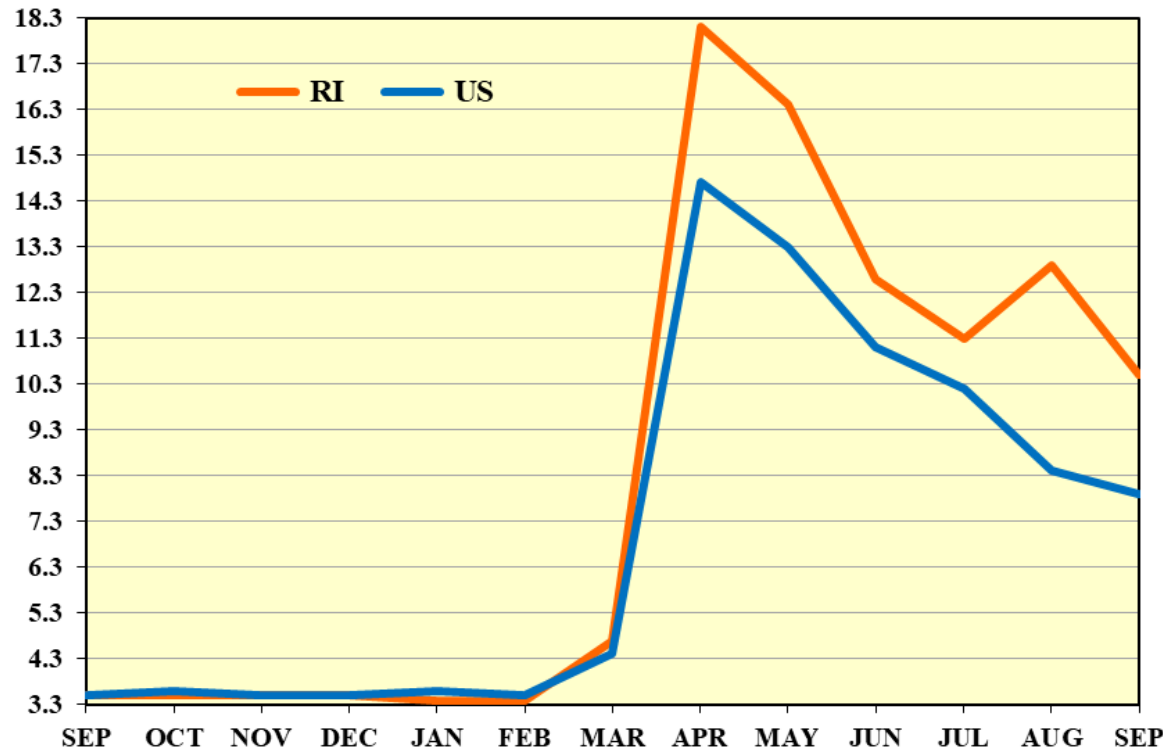
	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep
— US	3.5	3.6	3.5	3.5	3.6	3.5	4.4	14.7	13.3	11.1	10.2	8.4	7.9
— RI	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.4	3.4	4.7	18.1	16.4	12.6	11.3	12.9	10.5
— MA	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	16.2	16.6	17.7	16.2	11.4	9.6
— CT	3.7	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.7	3.8	3.4	8.3	9.6	10.1	10.2	8.1	7.8

## Rhode Island Jobs Recovered February 2020 – September 2020

	Employment			Change from		Change from		Overall		Percent of
	<u>Feb-20</u>	<u>Apr-20</u>	<u>Sep-20</u>	<u>Feb-Apr '20</u>		<u>Apr-Sep '20</u>		<u>Feb-Sep '20</u>		<u>Jobs Recovered from Apr '20</u>
<b>Total Nonfarm</b>	<b>508.4</b>	<b>410.3</b>	<b>468.0</b>	<b>-98.1</b>	<b>-19.3%</b>	<b>57.7</b>	<b>14.1%</b>	<b>-40.4</b>	<b>-7.9%</b>	<b>58.8%</b>
<b>Total Private</b>	<b>442.4</b>	<b>346.0</b>	<b>404.3</b>	<b>-96.4</b>	<b>-21.8%</b>	<b>58.3</b>	<b>16.8%</b>	<b>-38.1</b>	<b>-8.6%</b>	<b>60.5%</b>
Natural Resources & Mining	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.0	0.0%	0.1	50.0%	0.1	50.0%	*
Construction	20.3	17.7	18.6	-2.6	-12.8%	0.9	5.1%	-1.7	-8.4%	34.6%
Manufacturing	39.4	37.2	38.7	-2.2	-5.6%	1.5	4.0%	-0.7	-1.8%	68.2%
Wholesale Trade	16.8	16.1	16.1	-0.7	-4.2%	0.0	0.0%	-0.7	-4.2%	0.0%
Retail Trade	48.5	39.1	45.6	-9.4	-19.4%	6.5	16.6%	-2.9	-6.0%	69.1%
Transportation & Utilities	13.2	10.3	10.2	-2.9	-22.0%	-0.1	-1.0%	-3.0	-22.7%	-3.4%
Information	5.5	5.3	5.3	-0.2	-3.6%	0.0	0.0%	-0.2	-3.6%	0.0%
Financial Activities	35.8	33.8	35.7	-2.0	-5.6%	1.9	5.6%	-0.1	-0.3%	95.0%
Professional & Business Services	68.4	57.3	62.9	-11.1	-16.2%	5.6	9.8%	-5.5	-8.0%	50.5%
Educational Services	27.0	22.8	26.3	-4.2	-15.6%	3.5	15.4%	-0.7	-2.6%	83.3%
Health Care & Social Assistance	83.9	68.1	78.7	-15.8	-18.8%	10.6	15.6%	-5.2	-6.2%	67.1%
Arts, Entertainment & Recreation	8.2	3.3	5.9	-4.9	-59.8%	2.6	78.8%	-2.3	-28.0%	53.1%
Accommodation & Food Services	53.0	18.8	40.9	-34.2	-64.5%	22.1	117.6%	-12.1	-22.8%	64.6%
Other Services	22.2	16.0	19.1	-6.2	-27.9%	3.1	19.4%	-3.1	-14.0%	50.0%
Government	66.0	64.3	63.7	-1.7	-2.6%	-0.6	-0.9%	-2.3	-3.5%	-35.3%
Federal Government	11.3	11.3	12.3	0.0	0.0%	1.0	8.8%	1.0	8.8%	*
State Government	20.7	21.4	19.5	0.7	3.4%	-1.9	-8.9%	-1.2	-5.8%	*
Local Government	34.0	31.6	31.9	-2.4	-7.1%	0.3	0.9%	-2.1	-6.2%	12.5%

\*Employment sectors did not lose employment between February and April.

**Rhode Island & United States  
Seasonally Adjusted Unemployment Rates  
September 2019 – September 2020**



<b>Rhode Island September 2020</b>	
<b>Labor Force</b>	<b>561,000</b>
<b>OTM</b>	<b>+20,600</b>
<b>OTY</b>	<b>+4,600</b>
<b>Employed</b>	<b>502,000</b>
<b>OTM</b>	<b>+31,100</b>
<b>OTY</b>	<b>-35,000</b>
<b>Unemployed</b>	<b>59,000</b>
<b>OTM</b>	<b>-10,500</b>
<b>OTY</b>	<b>+39,500</b>
<b>Un Rate</b>	<b>10.5%</b>
<b>OTM</b>	<b>- 2.4</b>
<b>OTY</b>	<b>+7.0</b>

**Initial Claims Filed by Occupational Group  
Claims Filed March 12 thru October 10, 2020**

	Initial Claims Filed	Percent of Initial Claims Filed	Occupational Workforce	Percent of Workforce	Median Wage Hourly	Median 40-Hour Weekly Wage	Average Weekly Benefit Amount
<b>Occupational Group Total</b>	<b>228,490</b>	<b>---</b>	<b>483,580</b>	<b>47.2%</b>	<b>\$21.24</b>	<b>\$850</b>	<b>\$425</b>
<b>Lower Wage Jobs, Total</b>	<b>139,593</b>	<b>61.1%</b>	<b>271,660</b>	<b>51.4%</b>	<b>---</b>	<b>---</b>	<b>---</b>
Food Preparation & Serving Related Occupations	32,646	14.3%	49,120	66.5%	\$12.58	\$503	\$252
Personal Care & Service Occupations	11,877	5.2%	10,930	108.7%	\$13.32	\$533	\$266
Building & Grounds Cleaning & Maintenance Occupations	6,247	2.7%	16,950	36.9%	\$14.55	\$582	\$291
Sales & Related Occupations	18,426	8.1%	46,180	39.9%	\$15.13	\$605	\$303
Healthcare Support Occupations	7,308	3.2%	24,240	30.1%	\$15.49	\$620	\$310
Transportation & Material Moving Occupations	15,837	6.9%	30,880	51.3%	\$15.90	\$636	\$318
Production Occupations	16,391	7.2%	29,100	56.3%	\$18.00	\$720	\$360
Office & Administrative Support Occupations	30,861	13.5%	64,260	48.0%	\$20.06	\$802	\$401
<b>Mid Wage Jobs, Total</b>	<b>33,206</b>	<b>14.5%</b>	<b>95,880</b>	<b>34.6%</b>	<b>---</b>	<b>---</b>	<b>---</b>
Protective Service Occupations	2,090	0.9%	12,950	16.1%	\$22.42	\$897	\$448
Installation, Maintenance, & Repair Occupations	5,474	2.4%	16,370	33.4%	\$23.29	\$932	\$466
Community & Social Service Occupations	3,101	1.4%	9,050	34.3%	\$24.17	\$967	\$483
Construction & Extraction Occupations	6,646	2.9%	17,090	38.9%	\$24.97	\$999	\$499
Arts, Design, Entertainment, Sports, & Media Occupations	4,455	1.9%	7,640	58.3%	\$27.44	\$1,098	\$549
Education, Training, & Library Occupations	11,440	5.0%	32,780	34.9%	\$31.37	\$1,255	\$599
<b>Higher Wage Jobs, Total</b>	<b>45,778</b>	<b>20.0%</b>	<b>115,960</b>	<b>39.5%</b>	<b>---</b>	<b>---</b>	<b>---</b>
Business & Financial Operations Occupations	5,718	2.5%	30,320	18.9%	\$36.03	\$1,441	\$599
Legal Occupations	552	0.2%	3,760	14.7%	\$36.83	\$1,473	\$599
Life, Physical, & Social Science Occupations	1,858	0.8%	3,600	51.6%	\$37.08	\$1,483	\$599
Healthcare Practitioners & Technical Occupations	10,579	4.6%	33,940	31.2%	\$38.85	\$1,554	\$599
Computer & Mathematical Occupations	3,168	1.4%	14,510	21.8%	\$41.16	\$1,646	\$599
Architecture & Engineering Occupations	2,554	1.1%	8,870	28.8%	\$42.29	\$1,692	\$599
Management Occupations	21,349	9.3%	20,960	101.9%	\$60.87	\$2,435	\$599