



**DOWNTURN AND RECOVERY: NATIONAL, NEW ENGLAND,  
 AND NEW ENGLAND STATES' PERFORMANCE**

**Table 1. Employees on nonfarm payrolls in the U.S., New England, and New England states, seasonally adjusted**  
 (Numbers in thousands)

Area	Peak <sup>1</sup> Jan. 2001	Peak <sup>2</sup> Mar. 2001	Trough <sup>3</sup> Nov. 2001	Current Level Aug. 2004 <sup>p</sup>	Change Mar. 2001-Nov. 2001		Change Nov. 2001-Aug. 2004 <sup>p</sup>		Change Jan. 2001-Aug. 2004 <sup>p</sup>		Change Mar. 2001-Aug. 2004 <sup>p</sup>	
					Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Connecticut.....	1,691.9	1,682.5	1,676.6	1,642.7	-5.9	-0.4	-33.9	-2.0	-49.2	-2.9	-39.8	-2.4
Maine.....	609.8	609.9	605.5	614.9	-4.4	-0.7	9.4	1.6	5.1	0.8	5.0	0.8
Massachusetts.....	3,371.8	3,364.1	3,282.7	3,178.6	-81.4	-2.4	-104.1	-3.2	-193.2	-5.7	-185.5	-5.5
New Hampshire.....	633.4	631.9	621.4	626.1	-10.5	-1.7	4.7	0.8	-7.3	-1.2	-5.8	-0.9
Rhode Island.....	480.5	480.4	475.6	489.3	-4.8	-1.0	13.7	2.9	8.8	1.8	8.9	1.9
Vermont.....	303.6	302.6	301.3	301.4	-1.3	-0.4	0.1	0.0	-2.2	-0.7	-1.2	-0.4
New England.....	7,091.0	7,071.4	6,963.1	6,853.0	-108.3	-1.5	-110.1	-1.6	-238.0	-3.4	-218.4	-3.1
United States.....	132,388.0	132,507.0	130,871.0	131,471.0	-1636.0	-1.2	600.0	0.5	-917.0	-0.7	-1036.0	-0.8

<sup>1</sup> New England expansion peak was January 2001.

<sup>2</sup> National expansion peak was March 2001.

<sup>3</sup> National recession trough was November 2001.

<sup>p</sup>=preliminary.

NOTE: The National Bureau of Economic Research determined the recession began in March 2001 and ended in November 2001.