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### Recent Trends in Regional Employment Jason Bram and James Orr

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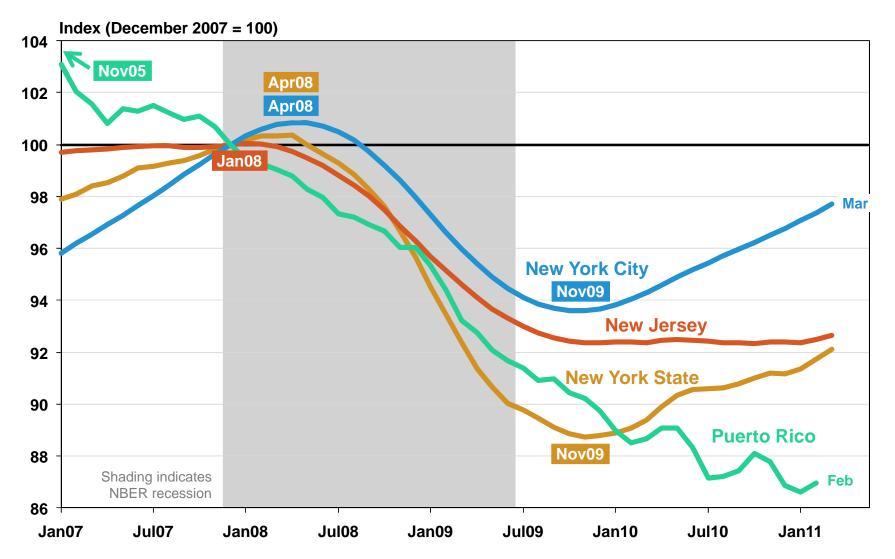
# **Overview**

- General Economic Trends in the Region
- Employment Trends in the Region
  - **Downturn:** New York job losses less severe than the nation; New Jersey losses on par with U.S.; Puerto Rico particularly hard hit.
  - Upturn: Employment across most of the region has begun to rebound, to varying degrees, despite substantial job losses in state and local government.
  - **Outlook:** Employment growth in the region will hinge on continued job creation in the private-services sector.



### **Regional Economic Activity**

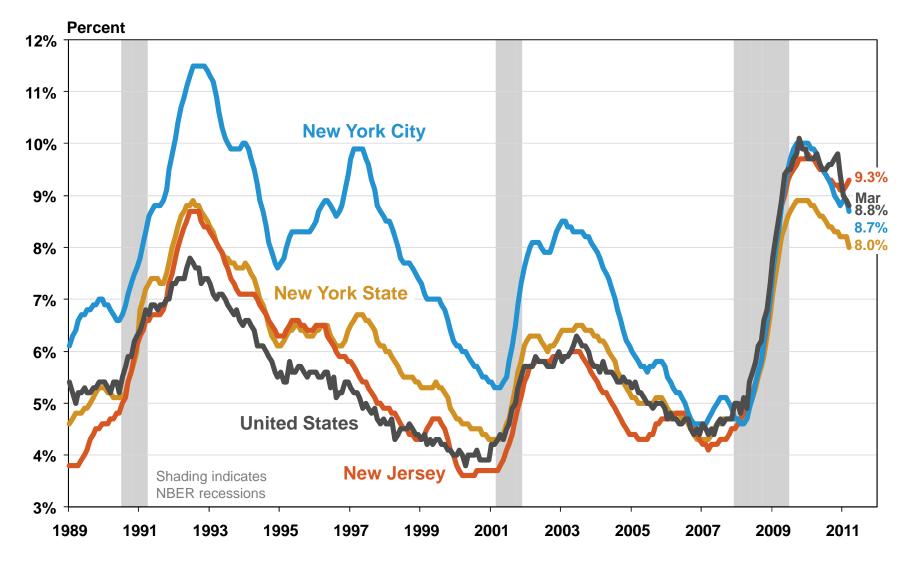
Index of Coincident Economic Indicators (CEI)



Source: Federal Reserve Bank of New York; Puerto Rico Government Development Bank Note: The Puerto Rico composite index is based on a different methodology than the indexes produced by the FRBNY.

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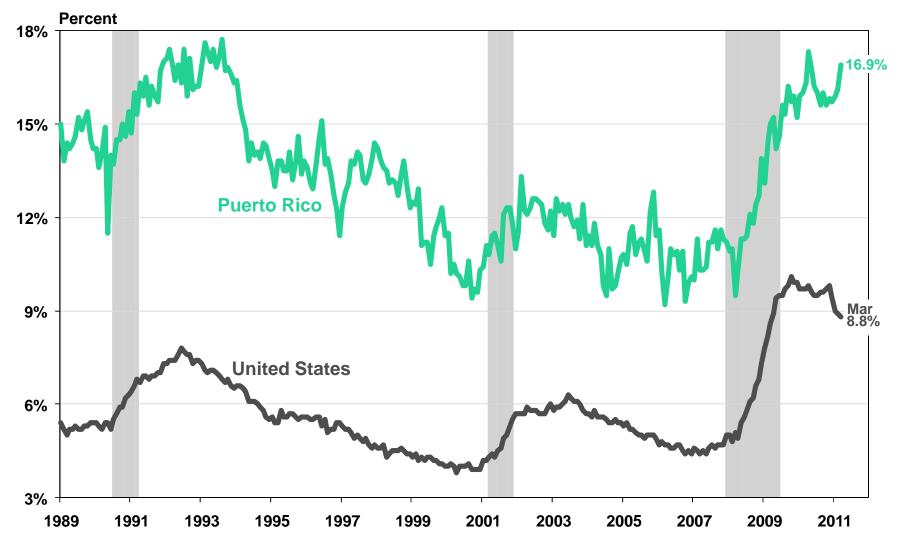
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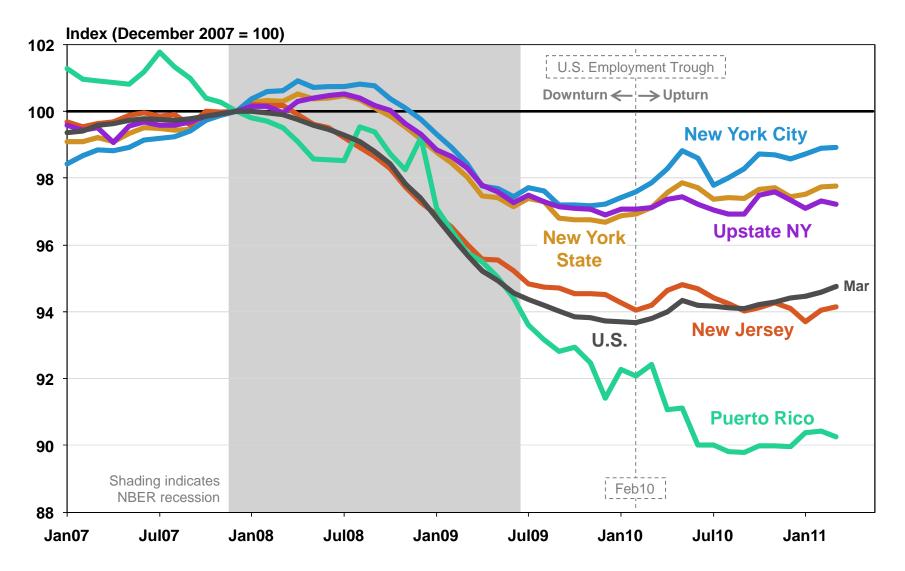
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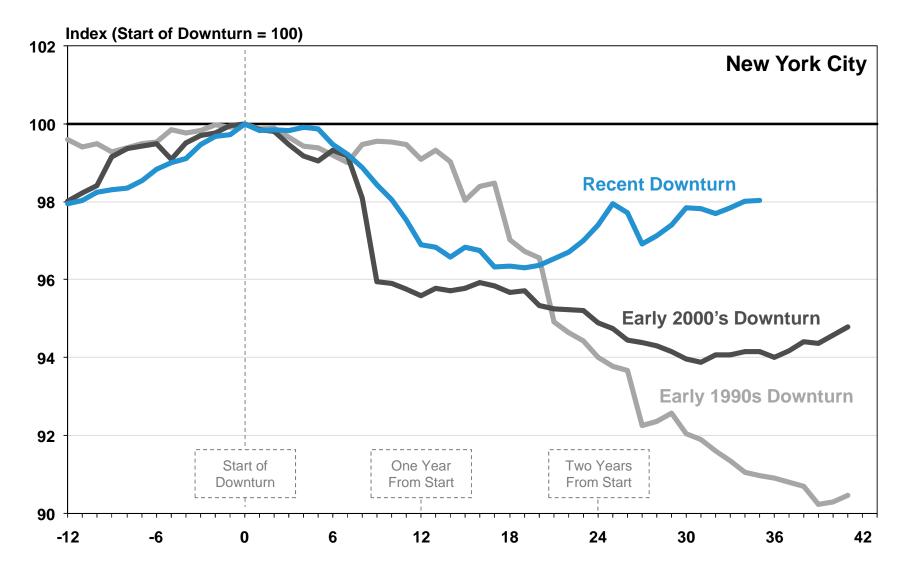
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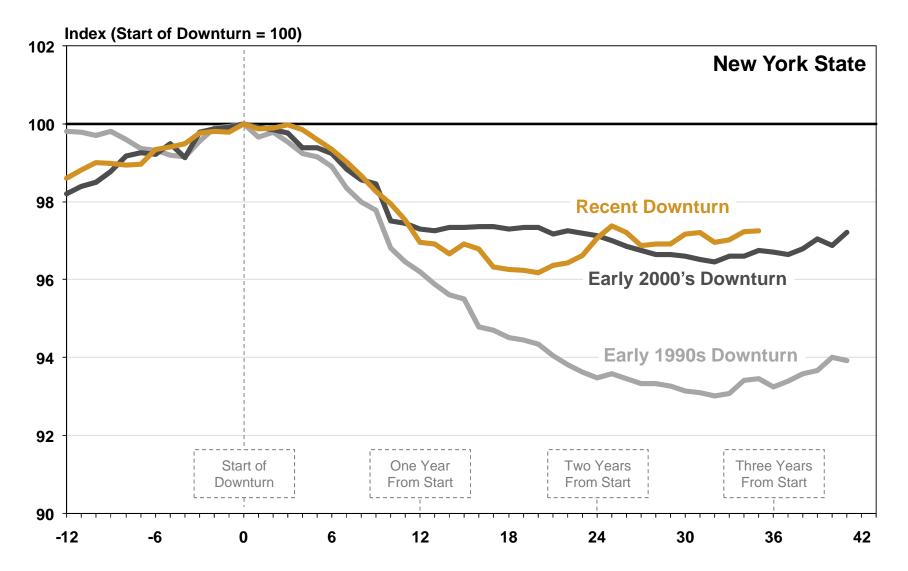
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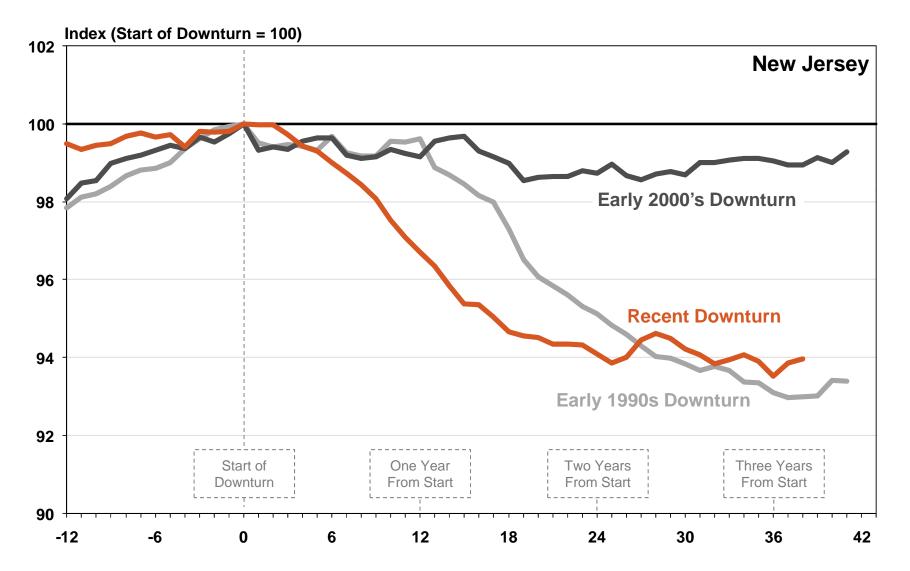
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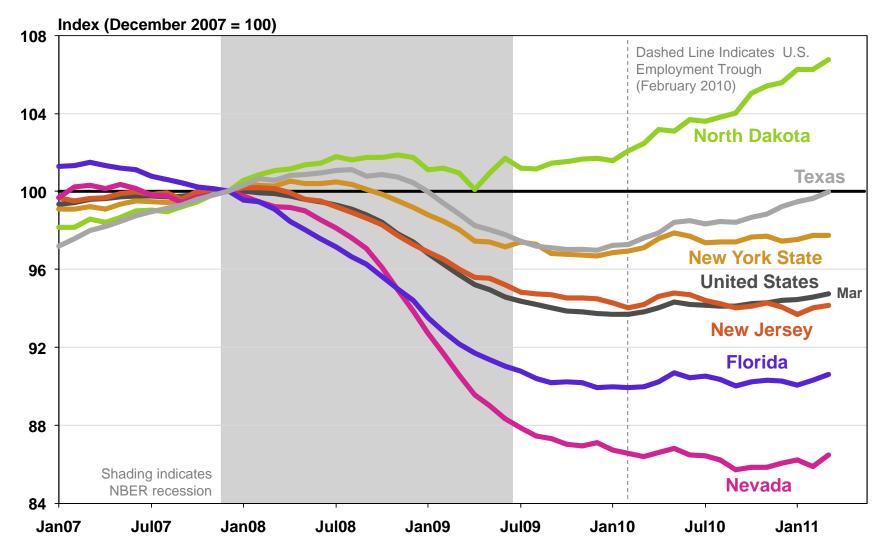
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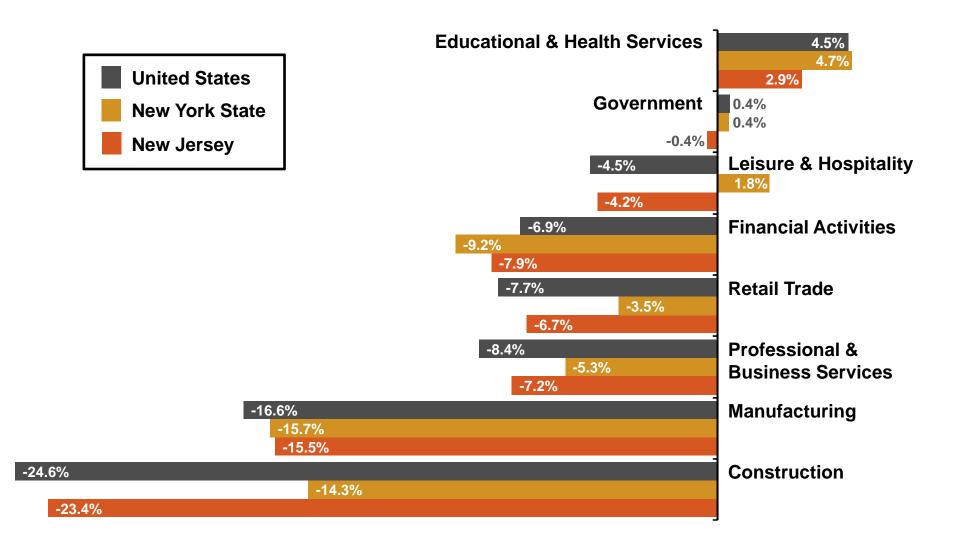
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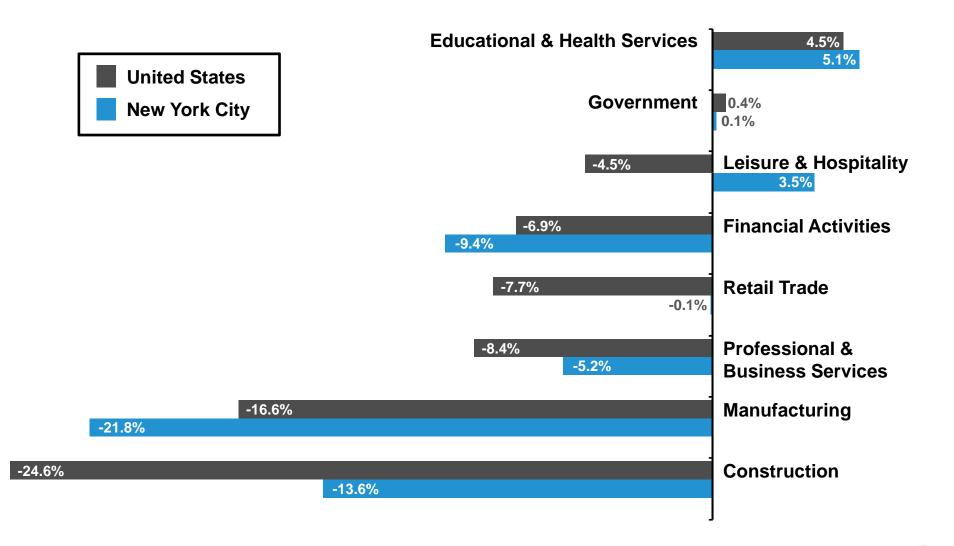
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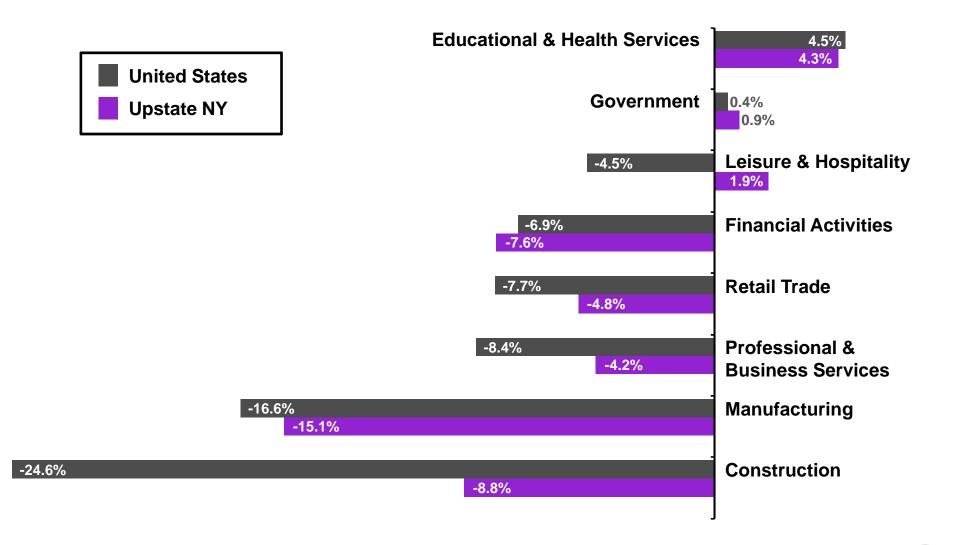
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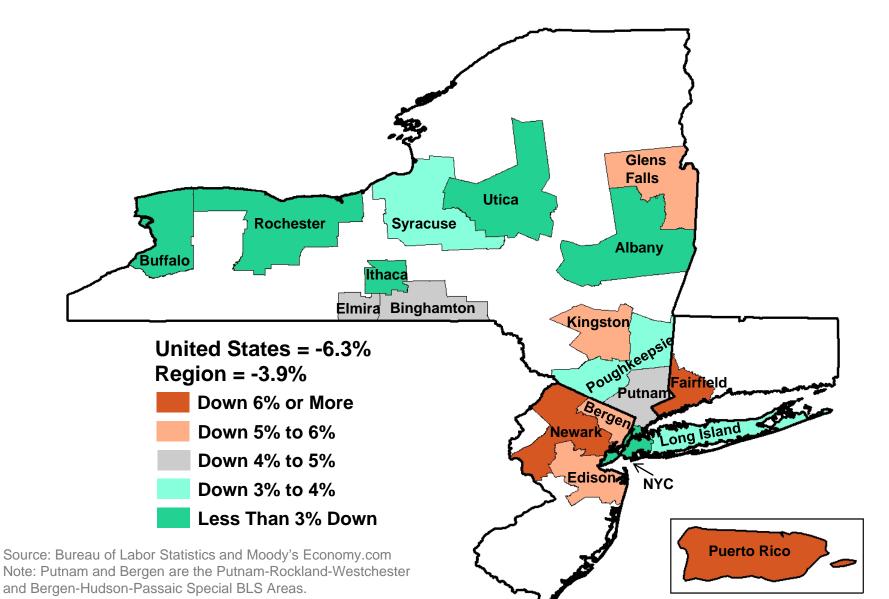
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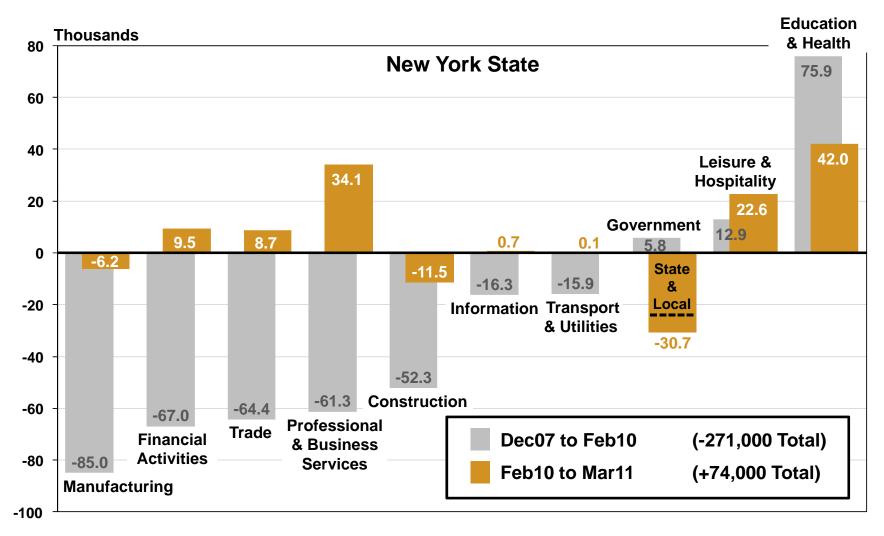
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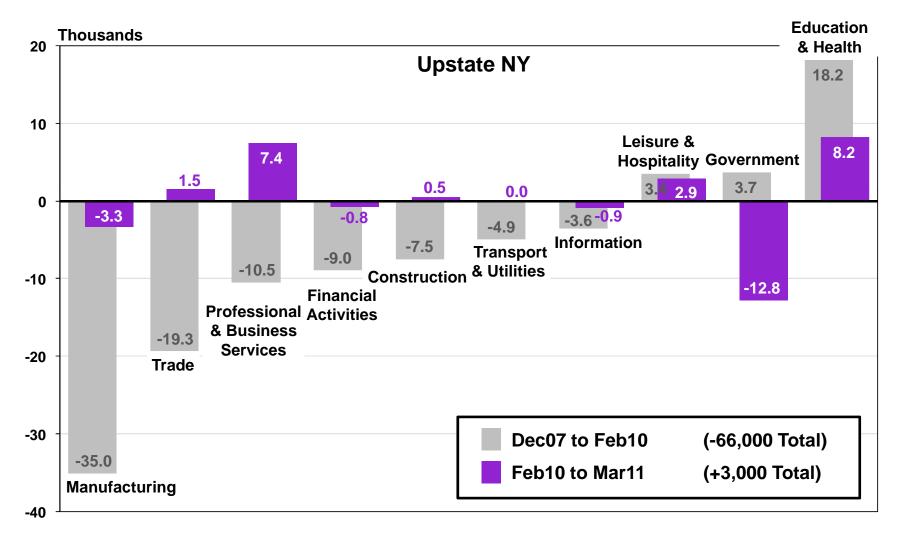
# Upturn

## **Sectoral Job Changes: New York State**



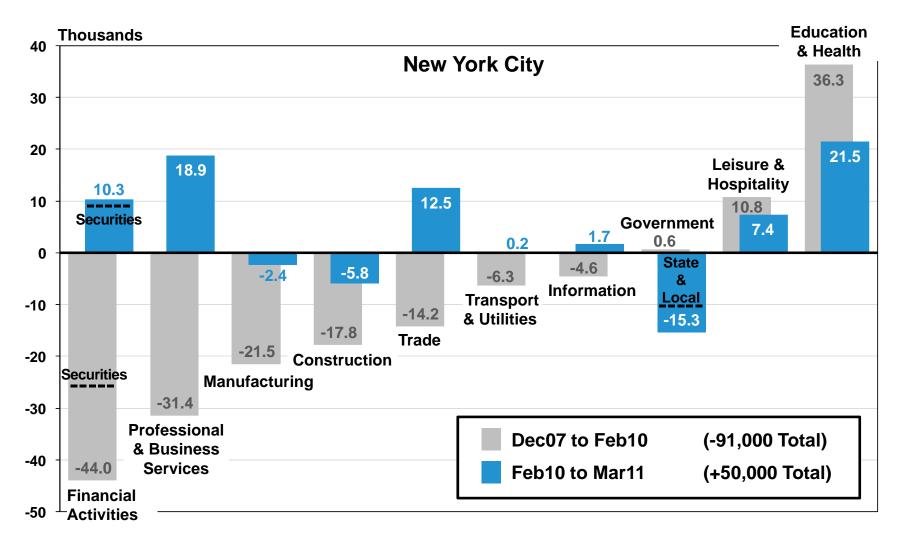


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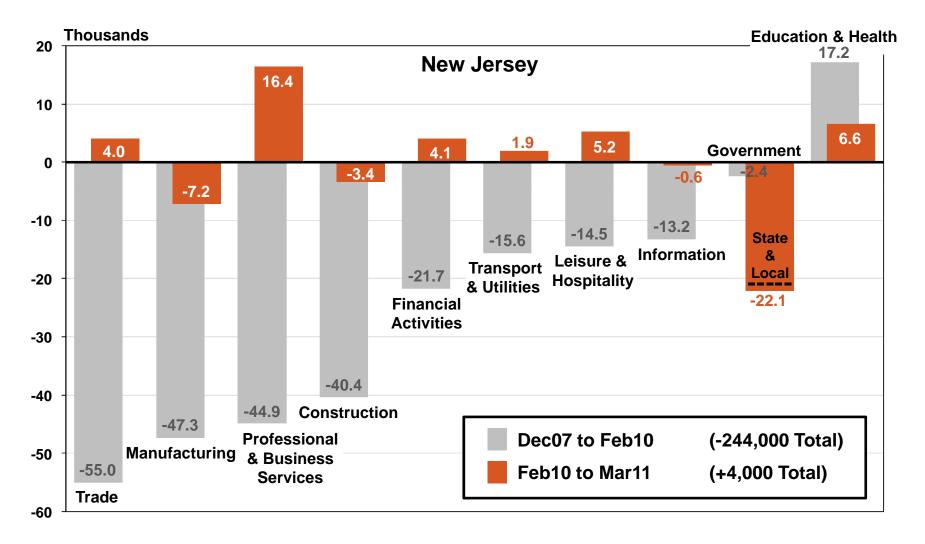


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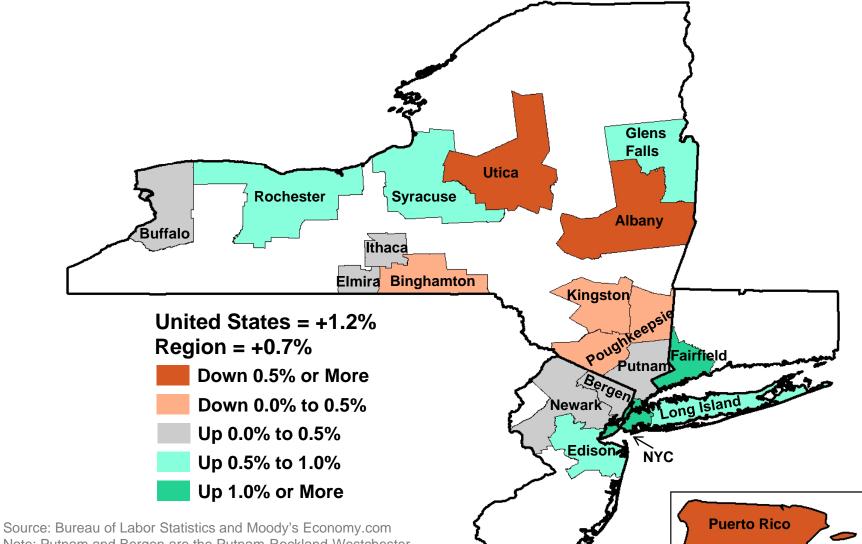
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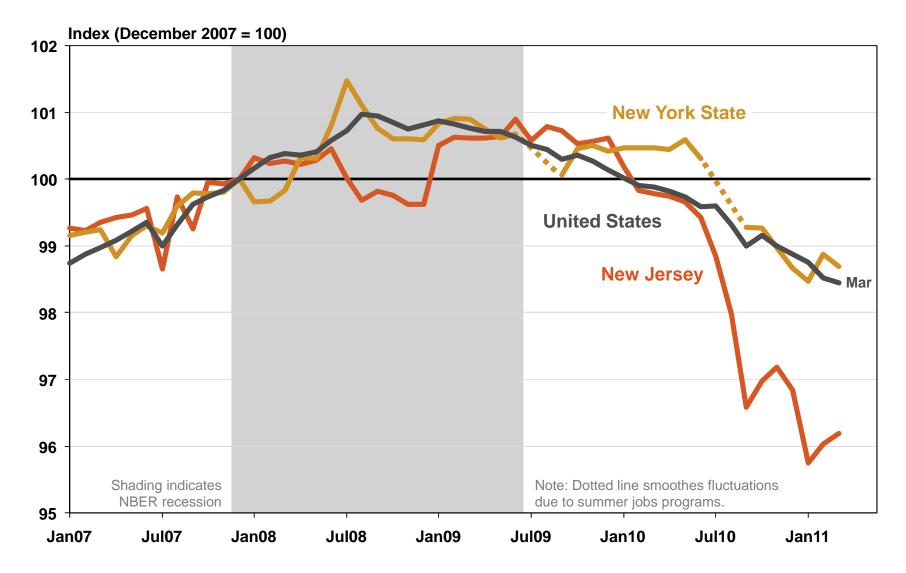
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February 2010 to March 2011 Percent Change



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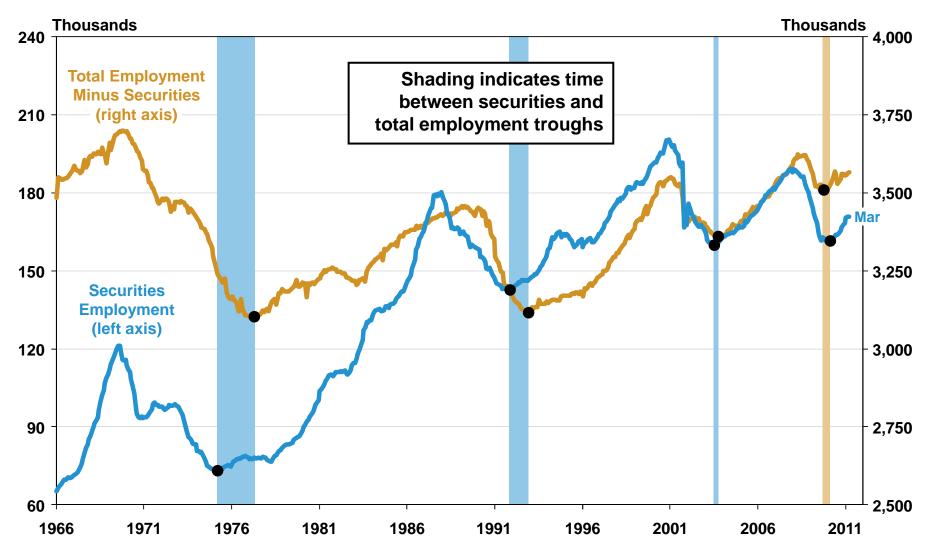
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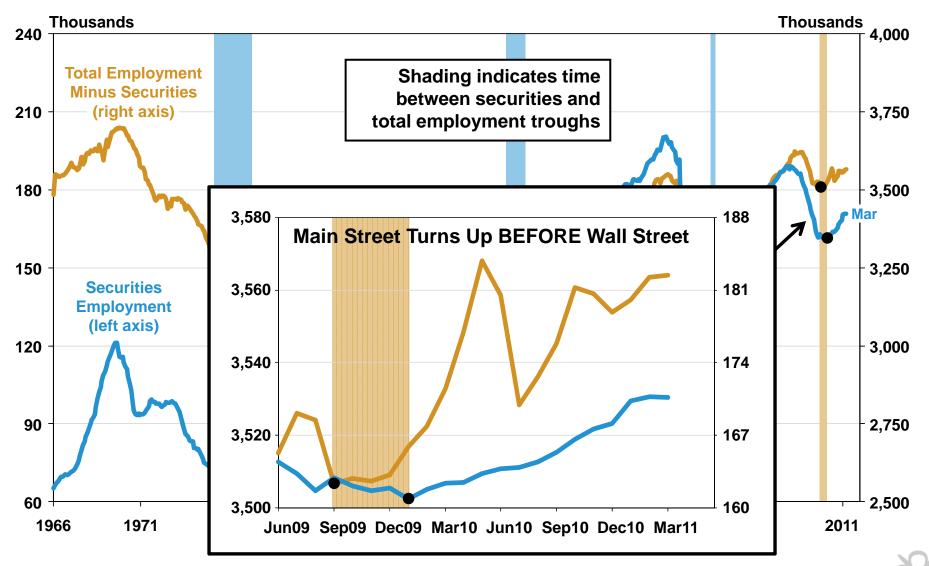
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**Seasonally Adjusted Levels** 



### Increase in Online Job Listings and Occupations Driving the Gains

2010Q1 - 2011Q1

	United States Up 18.0%	New York State Up 20.0%	New Jersey Up 8.2%
1.	Computer	Management	Computer
2.	Healthcare Practitioners	Computer	Management
3.	Transportation	Business and Financial	Transportation
4.	Management	Healthcare Practitioners	Healthcare Practitioners
5.	Retail and Other Sales	Retail and Other Sales	Food Preparation



# Summary

- There has been substantial regional variation in the downturn
- Recovery of jobs to date
  - Strength in most private services
  - Modest losses in Manufacturing and Construction
  - Mounting losses in State & Local Government

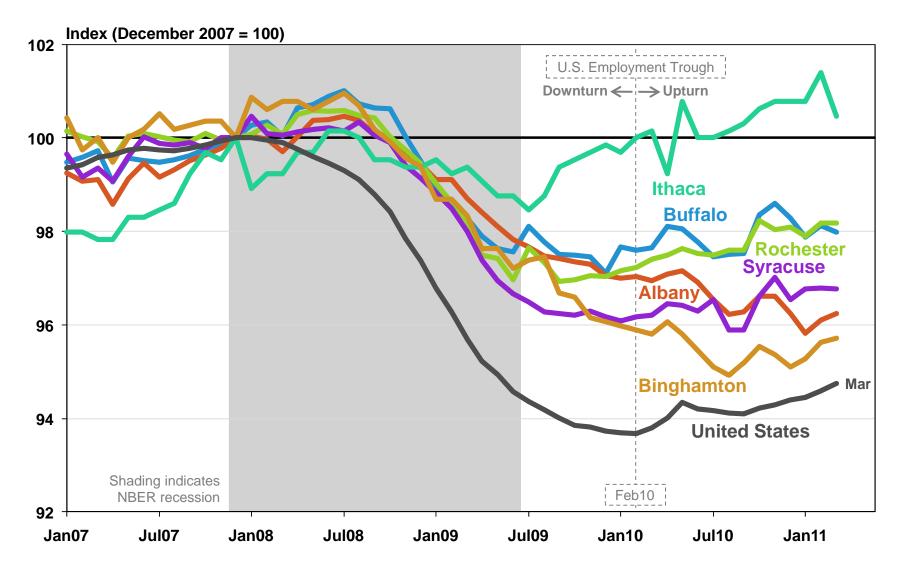
### Outlook

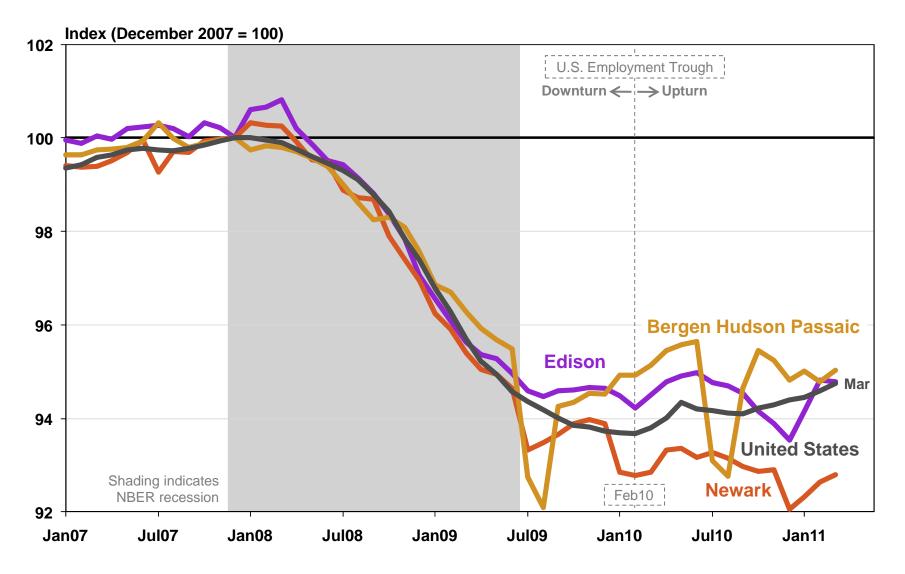
- Health & Education, Leisure & Hospitality, Professional & Business Services, and Financial Activities are likely to continue to contribute to growth going forward
- A pickup in online job listings in the region over the past year has been driven largely, but not entirely, by higher-skill occupations
- Downside risks from state and local government fiscal restraint

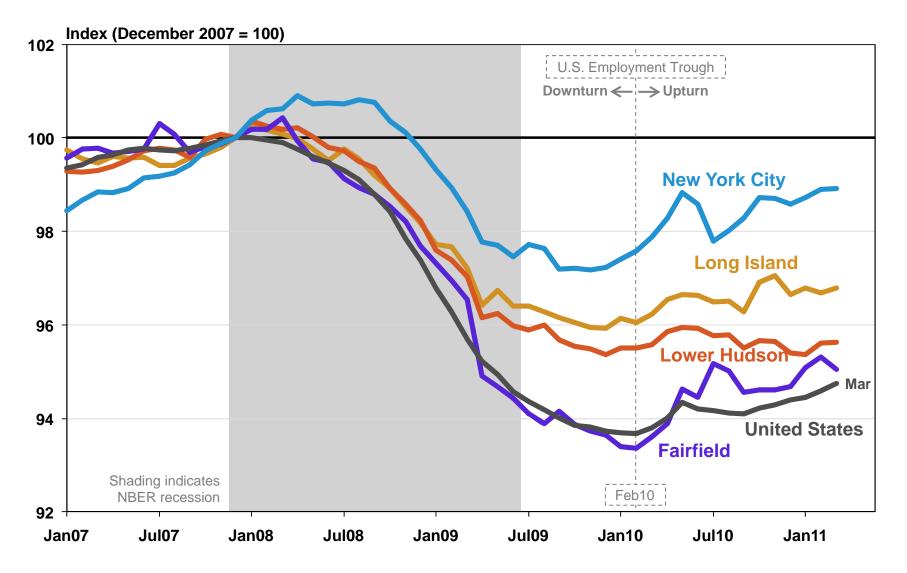




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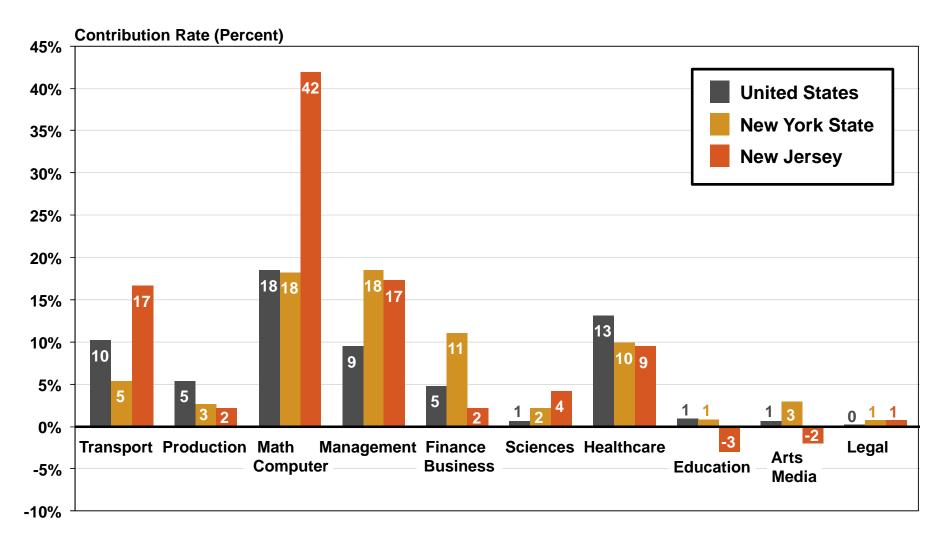






# **Online Job Listings by Occupation**

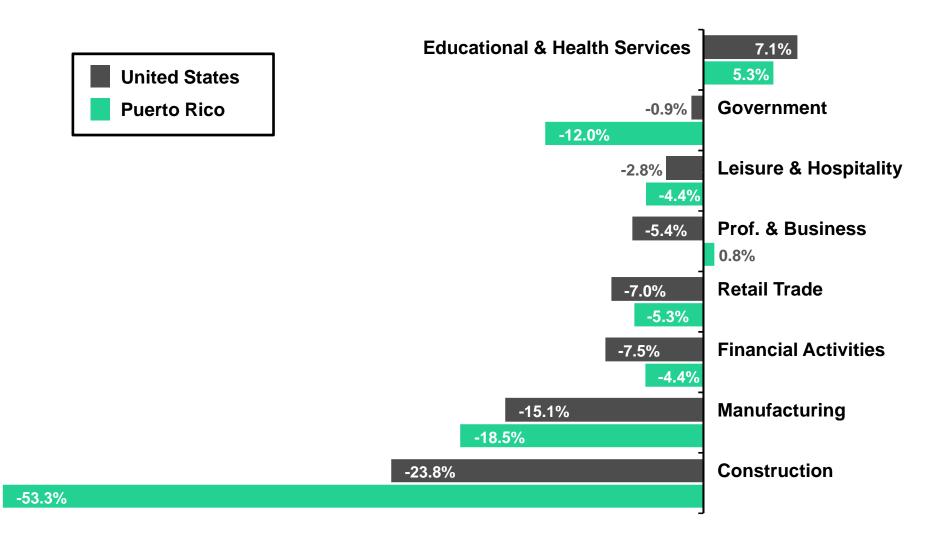
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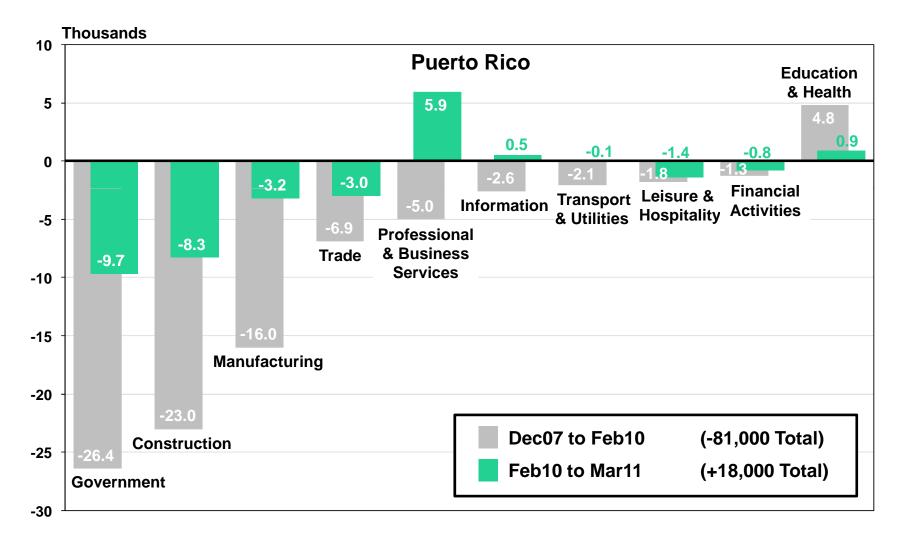
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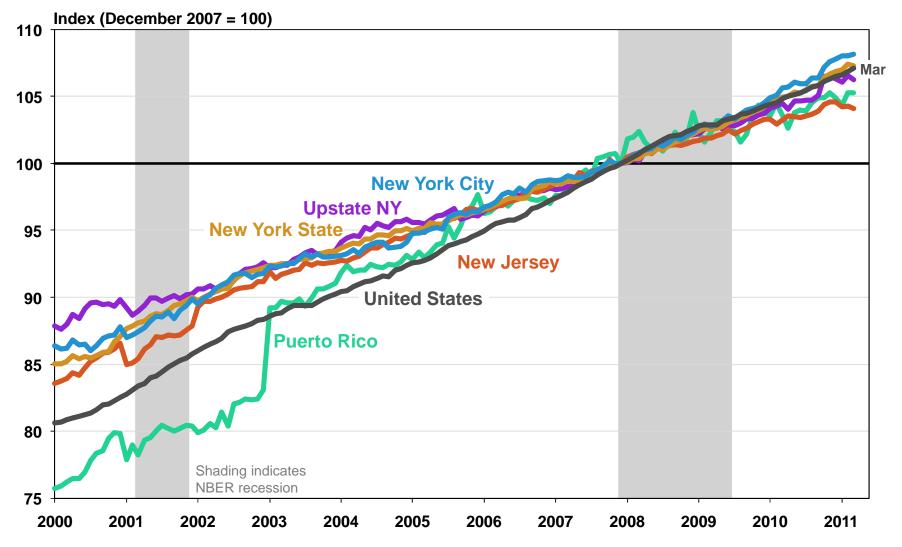


### **Sectoral Job Changes: Puerto Rico**



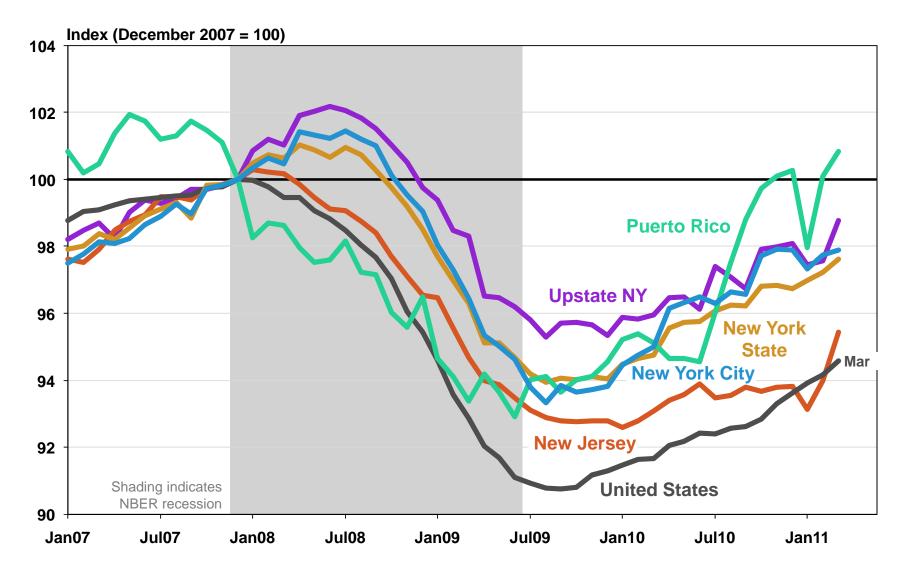


### **Education and Health**



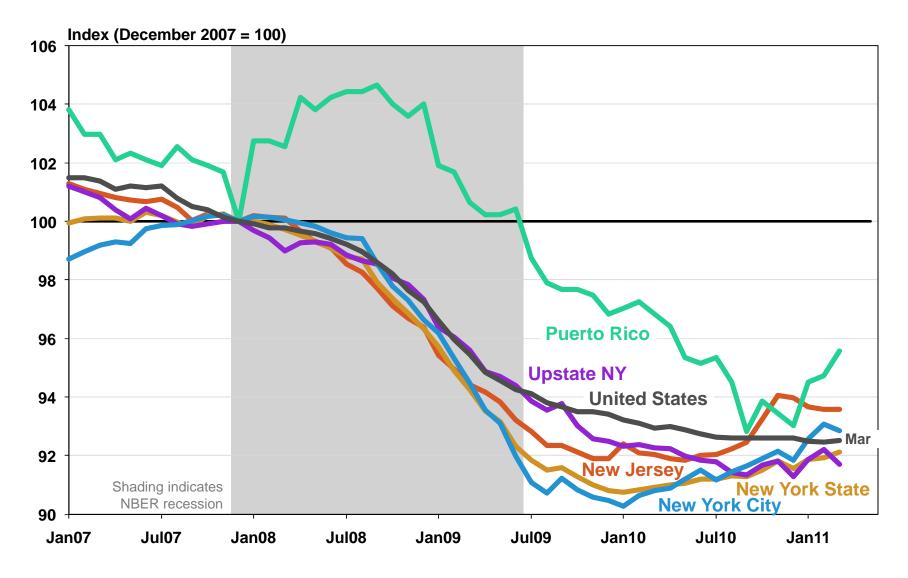


### **Professional and Business Services**





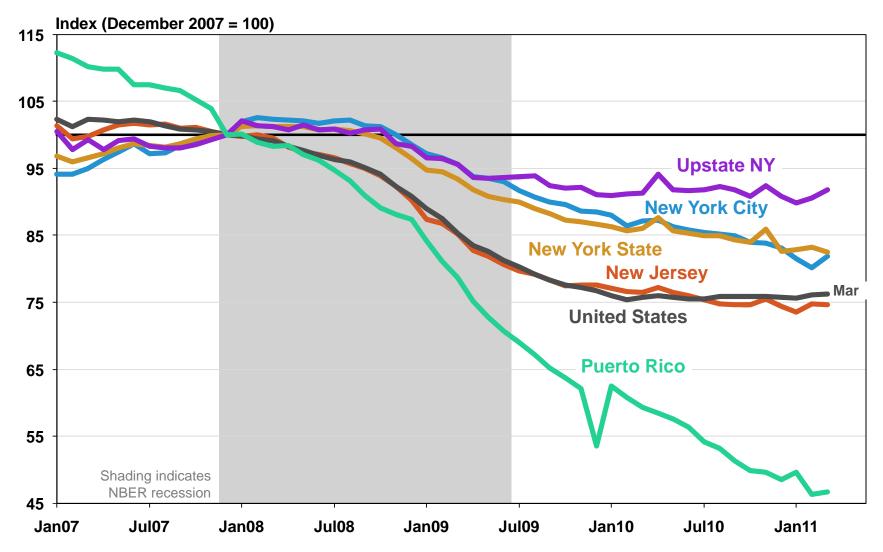
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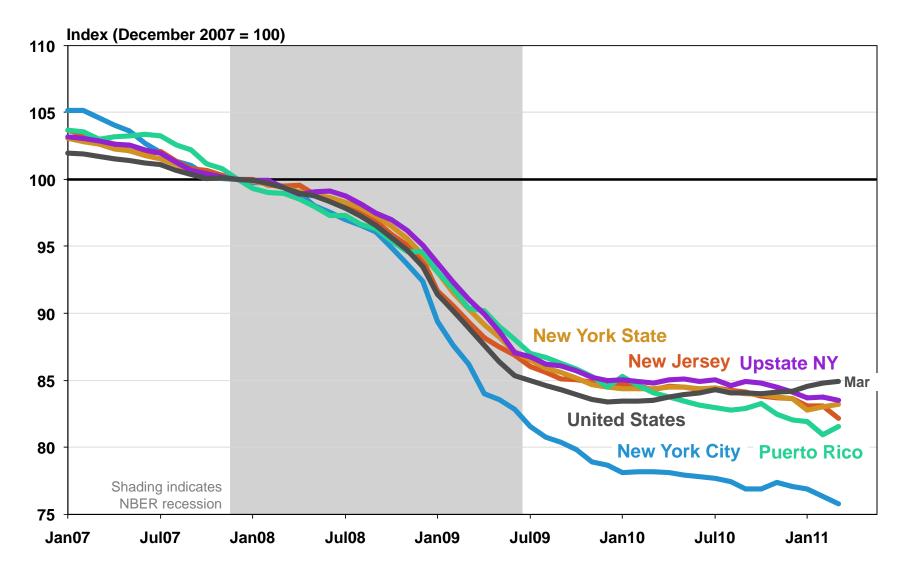
### **Construction Employment**

### **Seasonally Adjusted Index**



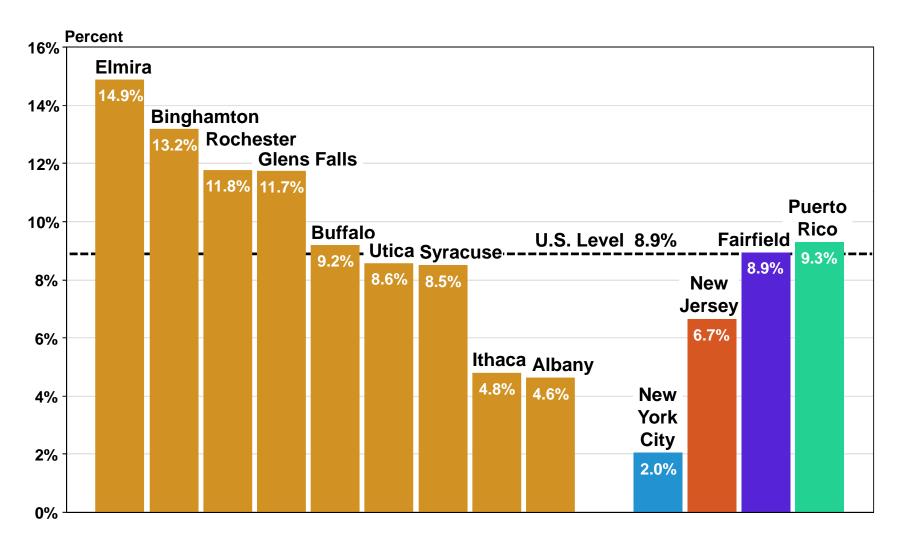
Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics and Moody's Economy.com Note: Construction category also includes Natural Resources and Mining.

# **Manufacturing Employment**



### Manufacturing

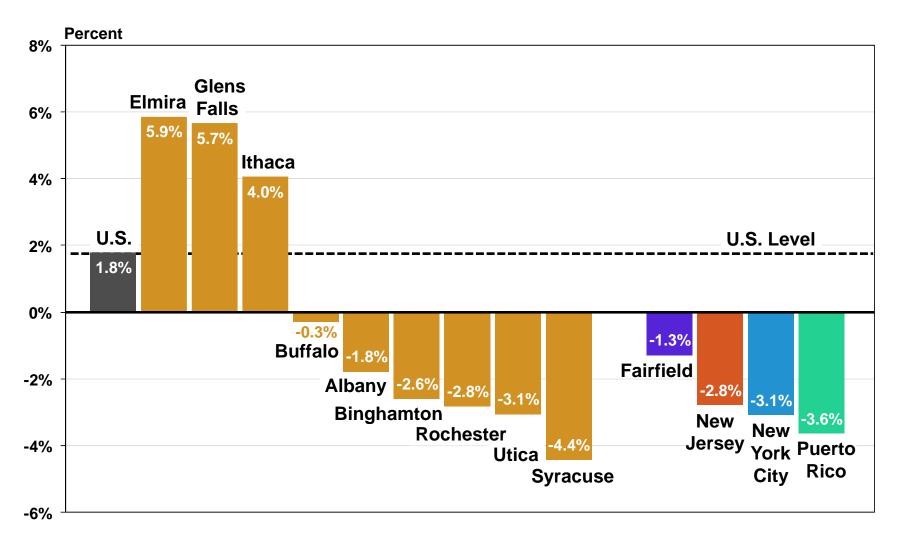
Share of Total Employment, 2010-2011





### Manufacturing

February 2010 to March 2011 Percent Change

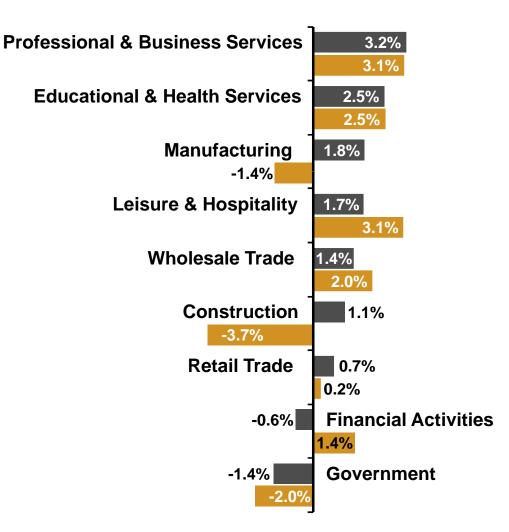




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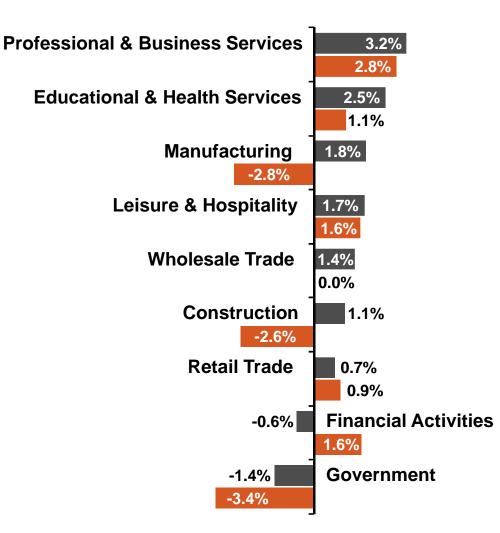




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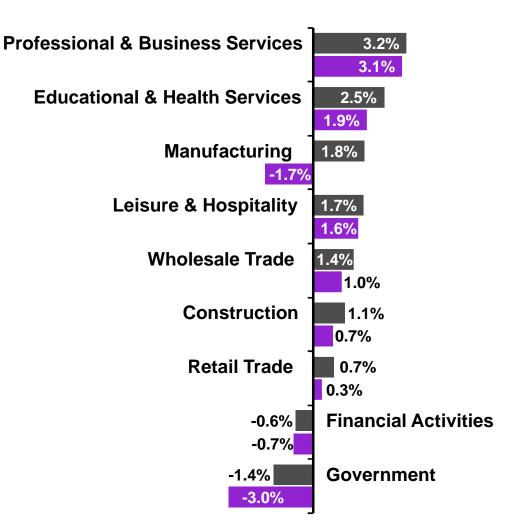




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### Unemployment

February 2010 and March 2011

