

How Many Manufacturing Jobs Has New York Lost Over the Last Three Years?

The New York State Department of Labor estimates that Upstate New York has lost approximately 94,000 manufacturing jobs since January 2001, a decline of nearly 20%. In some of the areas in which Chinese trade has dramatically increased over the past four years, New York State's industries have been hit the hardest. Since 2001 NYS has lost a combined 60,000 jobs in the textile, machinery, and computer equipment industries. In 2004 alone, the US-China trade deficit increased at least \$50 billion in those industries alone.

Schumer's bi-partisan Currency Manipulation Definition Bill would level the playing field against Chinese manufacturers whose products are artificially cheap because of China's currency manipulation. If China refuses to float its currency, Schumer's bill would impose an across the board 27.5% tariff on Chinese goods to make up for the cost of China's currency if it floated on the open market. ***The following report provides county-by-county estimates of manufacturing job losses in New York over the past three years.***

The Capital Region: Over the past four years, 8,900 manufacturing jobs have disappeared from the Capital Region.

County	Manufacturing Jobs in January 2001	Manufacturing Jobs in April 2005	Manufacturing Jobs Lost	Percentage Lost
Albany	10,800	8,100	2,700	25%
Fulton	3,200	2,300	900	28%
Montgomery	4,200	4,200	0	0
Rensselaer	5,600	4,200	1,400	25%
Saratoga	7,500	5,600	2,100	28%
Schenectady	5,400	4,000	1,400	27%
Schoharie	1,200	900	300	25%
Washington	3,600	3,300	300	0%
Capital Region	41,500	32,600	8,900	21%

Central New York: Over the last four years, 11,900 manufacturing jobs have disappeared from the Central New York.

County	Manufacturing Jobs in January 2001	Manufacturing Jobs in April 2005	Manufacturing Jobs Lost	Percentage Lost
Cortland	3,400	2,400	1,000	29%
Madison	4,300	3,500	800	19%
Oneida	14,000	10,500	3,500	25%
Onondaga	28,400	23,200	5,200	18%
Oswego	7,600	6,200	1,400	18%
Central New York	57,700	45,800	11,900	21%

Rochester and the Finger Lakes: Over the last four years, 27,400 manufacturing jobs have disappeared from Rochester and the Finger Lakes.

County	Manufacturing Jobs in January 2001	Manufacturing Jobs in April 2005	Manufacturing Jobs Lost	Percentage Lost
Cayuga	5,000	3,500	1,500	30%
Livingston	6,100	4,600	1,500	25%
Monroe	69,200	50,300	18,900	27%
Ontario	9,500	6,900	2,600	27%
Schuyler	600	500	100	17%
Seneca	2,000	2,000	0	0
Tompkins	4,400	3,900	500	11%
Wayne	8,900	6,400	2,500	28%
Yates	1,000	1,200	(200)	--
Rochester and the Finger Lakes	106,700	79,300	27,400	26%

***The Hudson Valley:** Over the last four years, 9,900 manufacturing jobs have disappeared from the Hudson Valley.*

County	Manufacturing Jobs in January 2001	Manufacturing Jobs in April 2005	Manufacturing Jobs Lost	Percentage Lost Since 2001
Columbia	2,500	2,200	300	12%
Dutchess	12,600	10,700	1,900	15%
Greene	800	800	0	0%
Orange	15,300	13,000	2,300	15%
Putnam	2,700	2,400	300	11%
Rockland	8,000	7,200	800	10%
Sullivan	900	1,100	(200)	----
Ulster	6,400	4,600	1,800	28%
Westchester	25,800	23,100	2,700	10%
Hudson Valley	75,000	65,100	9,900	13%

***The North Country:** Over the last four years, 4,300 manufacturing jobs have disappeared from the North Country over the last two years.*

County	Manufacturing Jobs in January 2001	Manufacturing Jobs in April 2005	Manufacturing Jobs Lost	Percentage Jobs Lost
Clinton	5,600	5,300	300	5%
Essex	1,100	1,200	(100)	--
Franklin	800	700	100	12.5%
Hamilton	0	0	0	0
Herkimer	3,900	2,900	1,000	26%
Jefferson	3,600	2,600	1000	28%
Lewis	1,400	1,200	200	14%
Saint Lawrence	5,100	3,700	1,400	27%
Warren	3,800	3,400	400	10.5%
North Country	25,300	21,00	4,300	17%

The Southern Tier: Over the last four years, 10,900 manufacturing jobs have disappeared from the Southern Tier.

County	Manufacturing Jobs in January 2001	Manufacturing Jobs in April 2005	Manufacturing Jobs Lost	Percentage Jobs Lost
Allegany	2,800	2,400	400	14%
Broome	17,900	13,900	4,000	22%
Chemung	8,000	5,800	2,200	27.5%
Chenango	3,900	3,200	700	18%
Delaware	4,300	4,500	(200)	---
Otsego	1,500	1,400	100	6%
Steuben	9,100	6,400	2,700	30%
Tioga	4,600	3,600	1,000	22%
Southern Tier	52,100	41,200	10,900	21%

Western New York: Over the last four years, 21,300 manufacturing jobs have disappeared from Western New York.

County	Manufacturing Jobs in January 2001	Manufacturing Jobs Now (April 2005)	Manufacturing Jobs in January 2004	Percentage Lost
Cattaraugus	6,000	4,900	1,100	18%
Chautauqua	13,700	11,500	2,200	16%
Erie	66,100	53,100	13,000	20%
Genesee	3,600	2,800	800	22%
Niagara	15,300	12,300	3,000	20%
Orleans	4,100	3,000	1,100	27%
Wyoming	2,500	2,400	100	4%
Western New York	111,300	90,000	21,300	19%

This study was based on data from the New York State Department of Labor and the US Census bureau.