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NYC Job Growth Outpaces Nation's

- Employment in New York City rose 2% from April 2012 to April 2013, as 78,900 jobs were added.
- Nationally, employment rose by 1.6% during the same period.
- Professional and business services (+30,200) and education and healthcare (+27,100) continued to lead in job creation.
- The finance sector shed 4,400 jobs over the past 12 months, 1,200 of which were in the securities industry.

NYC Emp	loyment (thousands)
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Source: NYS Dept of Labor

INDUSTRY	APR-13	APR-12	NET CHANGE	PERCENT CHANGE
Professional and Business Services	639.8	609.6	30.2	5.0%
Education and Health Services	820.1	793.0	27.1	3.4%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	595.9	578.0	17.9	3.1%
Leisure and Hospitality	368.9	363.2	5.7	1.6%
Other Services	174.5	169.3	5.2	3.1%
Construction	117.3	114.1	3.2	2.8%
Federal Government	50.2	50.8	-0.6	-1.2%
State Government	44.9	46.1	-1.2	-2.6%
Information	174.9	176.3	-1.4	-0.8%
Manufacturing	74.3	75.7	-1.4	-1.8%
Local Government	450.4	451.8	-1.4	-0.3%
Financial Activities	432.7	437.1	-4.4	-1.0%
Total	3,943.9	3,865.0	78.9	2.0%

Mortgage Rates Rise

- The average rate for a 30-year conforming mortgage reached 3.59% for the week ending May 23rd, up from 3.51% the prior week.
- This marked the third straight week the rate has increased.
- A year ago, the average 30-year rate was 3.78%.



Manhattan Absorption Rate Remains Low

- At the beginning of May, there was a 5.3-month supply of apartments for sale in Manhattan.
- This was up from 4.9 months the previous month, but down from 8.9 months a year ago.
- An absorption rate below 6 months is indicative of a seller's market.

Manhattan Absorption Rate in Months (Co-ops and Condos)

	MAY 2013	APRIL 2013	MAY 2012
Studio	5.3	5.0	7.9
1-Bedroom	4.7	4.3	8.0
2-Bedrooms	4.7	4.3	8.9
3+Bedrooms	8.2	7.8	13.2

