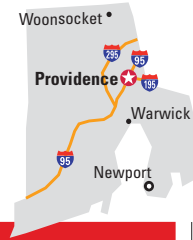


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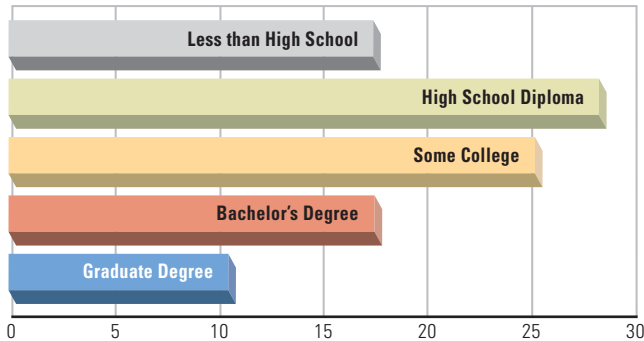
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**Governor:** Lincoln Chafee (D) **riedc.com**

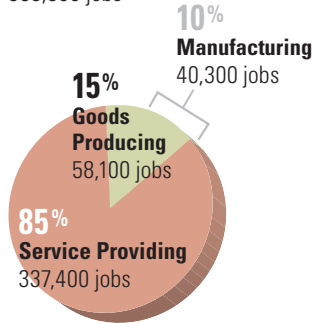
**Population 2010:** 1,053,493 **Population growth forecast 2010-2014:** 0.11% **Median household income:** \$58,063

## Work Force Education by Percentage



## Private Sector Employment

395,500 jobs



## 2010 New Economy Index Rankings

Overall: **16**

Immigration of Domestic and Foreign Knowledge Workers: **T18**  
Manufacturing Value-Added: **47**  
Export Focus of Manufacturing and Services: **48**  
Industry Investment in R&D: **33**

Median Hourly Wage for Production Occupations: **\$14.10**

Right-to-work state? **NO**

## Legislative Update

- As one of the 11 states (plus D.C.) named as winners of U.S. Dept. of Education "Race to the Top" funding, the state will receive \$75 million to support comprehensive education reform.
- In July, then-Rhode Island Gov. Donald Carcieri and Massachusetts Gov. Deval Patrick agreed to coordinate and collaborate in the permitting and

development of offshore wind projects in a designated area of mutual interest in federal waters in Rhode Island Sound.

- Lincoln Chafee, an Independent who will be sworn in as the new Governor of Rhode Island on January 4, 2011, is the only governor in the country who is neither a Democrat nor a Republican.