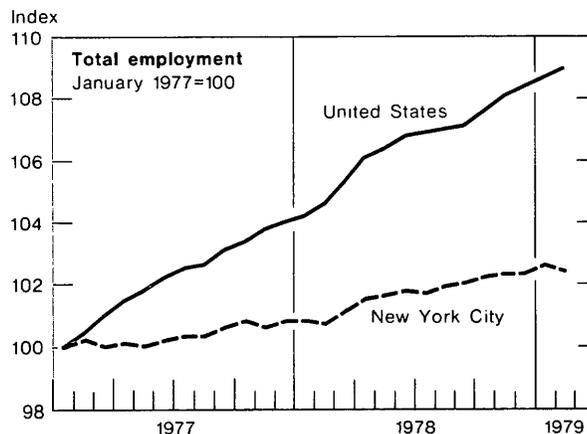


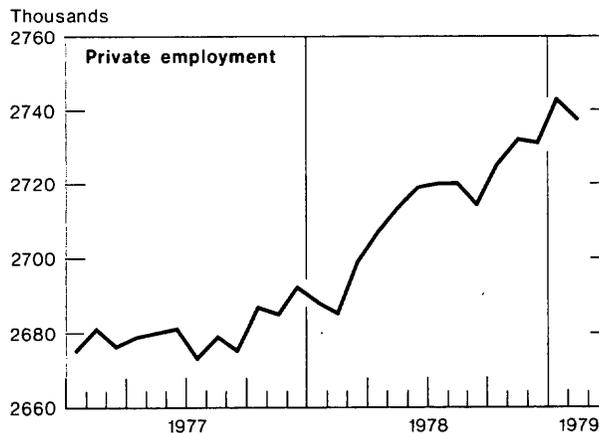
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The labor market shows some improvement.

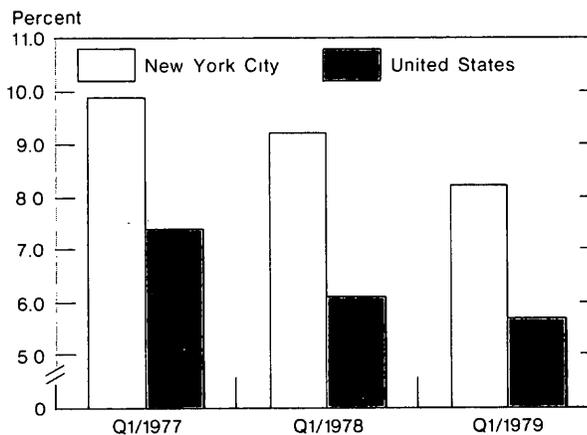
Employment is expanding, although at a slower rate than in the nation.



The bulk of the job gains are in the private sector.



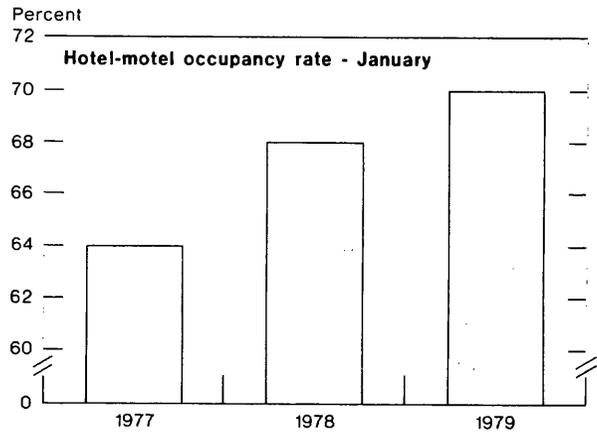
The rate of local joblessness has declined, but remains a serious problem.



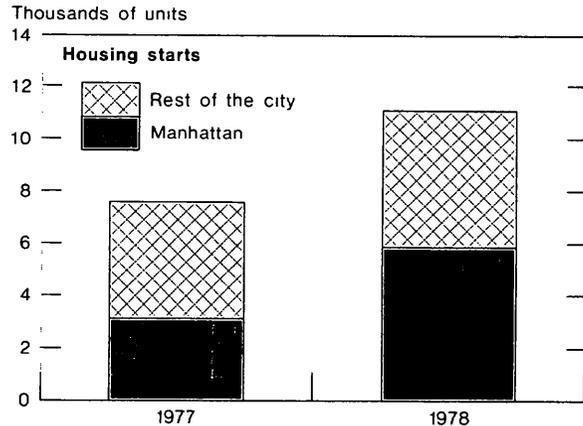
All New York City employment data are seasonally adjusted by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York

## Other indicators of economic health point to further progress.

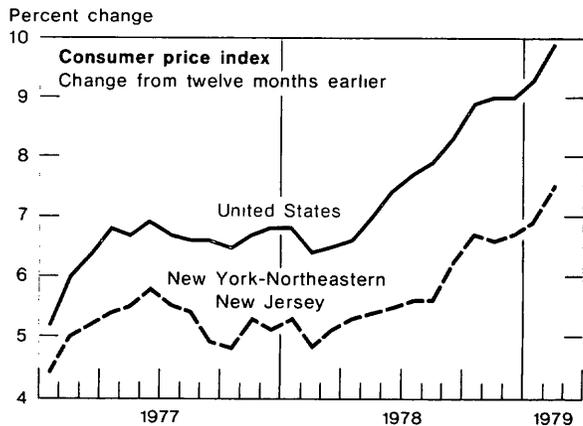
Tourism continues to grow.



Housing starts are increasing with most of the activity in Manhattan.



While upward price pressures are building, inflation remains more moderate in the New York area than in the country as a whole.



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