NYC Adds 94,500 Jobs In 2013

- Employment rose 2.4% in New York City during 2013, with 94,500 jobs created.

- Education and healthcare (+46,600) and trade, transportation and utilities (+20,100) posted the largest gains.

- The only sectors to lose jobs last year were state government (-1,100) and local government (-600).

Building Permits Reach 5-Year High

- Permits were issued for 4,856 new residential units in Manhattan last year, an increase of 109% from 2012.

- This was the highest figure since 2008, when 9,700 permits were issued in Manhattan.

- Brooklyn permits rose 83% in 2013, to a 5-year high of 6,140.

Mortgage Rates Fall For Fourth Straight Week

- Rates for 30-year conforming mortgages averaged 4.32% for the week ending January 30th, down from 4.39% the prior week.

- Softening economic data and stock market volatility were the driving forces behind the decline in rates.

- A year ago, 30-year rates were averaging 3.53%.

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