Employment Rises for All Private Sector Industries in NYC

- All private sector industries in New York City had more employees in April compared to a year ago.

- Growth was led by education and health services (+21,600), trade, transportation and utilities (+14,600) and professional and business services (+12,200).

- Government employment fell compared to a year ago, led by a 1,100 decline at the state level.

- Overall, total employment rose by 62,900 over the past year, a 1.6% increase.

Mortgage Rates Fall for Fourth Straight Week

- Rates for 30-year conforming mortgages averaged 4.14% for the week ending May 22nd, down from 4.20% the prior week.

- One year ago, 30-year rates were averaging 3.59%.

- Increasing uncertainty about the global economy has brought rates to their lowest levels since October of 2013.

Inflation Rises in April

- Across the U.S., the consumer price index was 2.0% higher than a year ago in April.

- This gain was driven by rising prices for gas, shelter and food, and was the highest year-over-year gain in CPI in over a year.

- In the New York City area, inflation rose at a 1.6% pace over the past year.

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