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### **LANCASTER MSA OCTOBER UNEMPLOYMENT RATE 4.3%**

**HARRISBURG (NOVEMBER 30)** – The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for the Lancaster Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) increased 0.1 percentage points over the month to 4.3 percent in **October**. The statewide and national unemployment rate were both down 0.2 percentage points to 6.0 percent and 4.6 percent, respectively.

For a list of county and MSA rankings by unemployment rate, please see the Civilian Labor Force packet.

**Seasonally adjusted total nonfarm jobs in the Lancaster MSA were down slightly (0.0 percent, -100) over the month at 248,100 in October**. Over the year, jobs were up 1.5 percent (+3,700) in the MSA, while statewide jobs increased 2.4 percent.

#### **October's Not Seasonally Adjusted Nonfarm Jobs Detail**

Over the month, only two of the ten supersectors were down. Over the year, leisure & hospitality was up 1,300.

**Please note that due to demand for pre-recession data, tables 2 and 2A have been temporarily modified to exclude 2-months ago data in order to include 24-months ago data. This change will be in place through the remainder of 2021 data production.**

**TABLE 1**  
**LANCASTER METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA**  
(Lancaster County)

TOTAL CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT, UNEMPLOYMENT, AND UNEMPLOYMENT RATE  
BY PLACE OF RESIDENCE 1/

TIME PERIOD	CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE	EMPLOY- MENT 2/	UNEMPLOY- MENT	RATE (%) 3/	SEASONALLY ADJUSTED 4/			
					LABOR FORCE	EMPLOY- MENT 2/	UNEMPLOY- MENT	RATE (%) 3/
October 2021	278,200	267,600	10,600	3.8	276,400	264,600	11,800	4.3
September	277,900	266,200	11,700	4.2	275,500	263,900	11,700	4.2
August	282,100	267,200	15,000	5.3	276,900	263,600	13,400	4.8
October 2020	280,900	267,200	13,700	4.9	280,900	265,700	15,200	5.4

PENNSYLVANIA MAJOR LABOR MARKET AREAS, PENNSYLVANIA, AND UNITED STATES  
October 2021

AREA NAME	CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE	EMPLOY- MENT 2/	UNEMPLOY- MENT	RATE (%) 3/	SEASONALLY ADJUSTED 4/			
					LABOR FORCE	EMPLOY- MENT 2/	UNEMPLOY- MENT	RATE (%) 3/
Allentown-Beth.-East. PA-NJ MSA	436,800	415,400	21,400	4.9	437,000	412,500	24,500	5.6
Altoona MSA	57,000	54,300	2,700	4.7	57,100	54,000	3,000	5.3
Bloomsburg-Berwick MSA	43,100	41,400	1,700	4.0	42,800	40,500	2,200	5.3
Chambersburg-Waynesboro MSA	75,800	72,900	2,900	3.8	75,300	71,900	3,300	4.4
East Stroudsburg MSA	80,000	75,100	4,900	6.1	79,100	73,700	5,400	6.9
Erie MSA	123,200	116,400	6,700	5.5	122,900	115,100	7,800	6.3
Gettysburg MSA	55,600	53,800	1,800	3.2	54,600	52,400	2,200	4.1
Harrisburg-Carlisle MSA	296,300	284,100	12,300	4.1	294,700	281,100	13,700	4.6
Johnstown MSA	53,000	50,100	2,900	5.4	53,300	49,600	3,700	7.0
Lancaster MSA	278,200	267,600	10,600	3.8	276,400	264,600	11,800	4.3
Lebanon MSA	70,600	67,700	2,900	4.1	70,000	66,700	3,300	4.7
Philadelphia MSA	3,063,500	2,908,200	155,300	5.1	3,053,500	2,874,500	178,900	5.9
Pittsburgh MSA	1,161,100	1,105,500	55,600	4.8	1,164,000	1,095,200	68,800	5.9
Reading MSA	204,100	193,600	10,500	5.1	202,900	191,100	11,800	5.8
Scranton--W-B--Hazleton MSA	267,100	251,800	15,300	5.7	267,300	248,300	19,000	7.1
State College MSA	76,400	73,700	2,700	3.5	74,100	71,100	2,900	4.0
Williamsport MSA	55,000	52,200	2,700	5.0	55,000	51,800	3,200	5.8
York-Hanover MSA	231,200	221,800	9,500	4.1	230,000	219,500	10,500	4.6
PENNSYLVANIA	6,269,000	5,964,000	305,000	4.9	6,270,000	5,892,000	378,000	6.0
UNITED STATES	161,863,000	154,966,000	6,896,000	4.3	161,458,000	154,039,000	7,419,000	4.6

ALL DATA ARE ON 2020 BENCHMARK.

SOURCE: Center for Workforce Information & Analysis (CWIA), Pennsylvania Department of Labor & Industry.

FOOTNOTES

1/ Estimate of workers by place of residence. These data are controlled to state Current Population Survey (CPS) data which adjusts for commuting and dual job-holding. Workers are counted where they live only once regardless of the number of jobs they may hold. All in-depth inquiries relative to the estimating methodology should be addressed to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor. All data are subject to revision during annual benchmarking.

2/ Includes wage and salary workers (including agriculture), self-employed persons, and unpaid family workers (including agriculture), domestic workers, and persons involved in labor-management disputes.

3/ Unemployed as percent of civilian labor force, computed using unrounded data.

4/ Seasonally adjusted MSA level data (and their equivalent) is developed by the federal Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS); seasonal adjustment for all other sub-state areas are developed by CWIA.

TABLE 2

## LANCASTER METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA

(Lancaster County)

October 2021

## NONFARM JOBS - NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

ESTABLISHMENT DATA	Industry Employment				Net Change From:	
	Oct 2021	Sep 2021	Oct 2020	Oct 2019	Sep 2021	Oct 2020
<b>TOTAL NONFARM</b>	<b>249,700</b>	249,200	245,800	262,600	500	3,900
<b>TOTAL PRIVATE</b>	<b>229,300</b>	229,100	226,100	241,700	200	3,200
<b>GOODS-PRODUCING</b>	<b>54,900</b>	55,200	53,700	55,800	-300	1,200
Mining, Logging, and Construction	19,200	19,000	18,500	18,600	200	700
Manufacturing	35,700	36,200	35,200	37,200	-500	500
Durable Goods	19,200	19,400	18,600	19,700	-200	600
Non-Durable Goods	16,500	16,800	16,600	17,500	-300	-100
Food mfg.	7,400	7,800	7,700	7,700	-400	-300
<b>SERVICE-PROVIDING</b>	<b>194,800</b>	194,000	192,100	206,800	800	2,700
<b>PRIVATE SERVICE-PROVIDING</b>	<b>174,400</b>	173,900	172,400	185,900	500	2,000
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	58,300	58,100	57,900	60,500	200	400
Wholesale Trade	14,100	14,100	13,900	16,000	0	200
Retail Trade	28,300	28,100	28,600	29,800	200	-300
General merchandise stores	3,300	3,200	3,200	3,400	100	100
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	15,900	15,900	15,400	14,700	0	500
Information	2,300	2,400	2,400	2,600	-100	-100
Financial Activities	9,700	9,700	9,400	9,400	0	300
Professional and Business Services	25,600	25,600	25,000	26,600	0	600
Education and Health Services	44,700	44,600	45,700	48,600	100	-1,000
Health care and social assistance	39,900	39,700	39,800	40,800	200	100
Hospitals	9,000	9,000	8,900	8,700	0	100
Leisure and Hospitality	21,700	21,400	20,400	25,400	300	1,300
Accommodation and food services	17,200	16,800	16,900	20,700	400	300
Food services and drinking places	13,800	13,600	14,200	16,900	200	-400
Other Services	12,100	12,100	11,600	12,800	0	500
Government	20,400	20,100	19,700	20,900	300	700
Federal Government	1,200	1,200	1,300	1,300	0	-100
State Government	3,000	2,800	3,100	3,500	200	-100
Local Government	16,200	16,100	15,300	16,100	100	900
Data benchmarked to March 2020	***Data changes of 100 may be due to rounding***					

TABLE 2A

**SEASONALLY ADJUSTED TOTAL NONFARM JOBS  
FOR PENNSYLVANIA and SELECT MSAs & AREAS**

**October 2021**

AREA	Industry Employment				Net Change From:	
	Oct 2021	Sep 2021	Oct 2020	Oct 2019	Sep 2021	Oct 2020
<b>PENNSYLVANIA</b>	<b>5,760,800</b>	5,741,700	5,626,100	6,077,600	19,100	134,700
Allentown-Bethlehem-Easton MSA	<b>370,500</b>	366,900	355,500	381,400	3,600	15,000
Altoona MSA	<b>57,900</b>	57,900	58,700	61,500	0	-800
Bloomsburg-Berwick MSA	<b>43,000</b>	42,800	40,900	43,000	200	2,100
Chambersburg-Waynesboro MSA	<b>59,600</b>	59,800	58,300	62,100	-200	1,300
East Stroudsburg MSA	<b>56,300</b>	55,500	54,500	59,800	800	1,800
Erie MSA	<b>119,300</b>	118,900	117,600	127,900	400	1,700
Gettysburg MSA	<b>34,800</b>	34,600	33,000	35,200	200	1,800
Harrisburg-Carlisle MSA	<b>342,000</b>	340,200	333,800	352,700	1,800	8,200
Johnstown MSA	<b>48,100</b>	48,200	49,100	53,800	-100	-1,000
Lancaster MSA	<b>248,100</b>	248,200	244,400	260,800	-100	3,700
Lebanon MSA	<b>51,200</b>	51,300	50,800	54,200	-100	400
Philadelphia-Camden-Wilmington MSA	<b>2,855,700</b>	2,848,400	2,770,800	2,990,800	7,300	84,900
Montgomery-Bucks-Chester Metro Division	<b>1,042,400</b>	1,043,900	1,016,300	1,093,300	-1,500	26,100
Philadelphia Metro Division	<b>911,400</b>	909,000	891,400	986,800	2,400	20,000
Philadelphia City	<b>683,600</b>	681,000	666,600	744,700	2,600	17,000
Pittsburgh MSA	<b>1,126,000</b>	1,123,400	1,100,600	1,194,200	2,600	25,400
Reading MSA	<b>166,200</b>	165,500	165,300	181,500	700	900
Scranton-Wilkes-Barre-Hazleton MSA	<b>248,800</b>	247,900	245,400	264,100	900	3,400
State College MSA	<b>73,000</b>	73,400	70,900	80,200	-400	2,100
Williamsport MSA	<b>50,600</b>	50,800	49,500	53,300	-200	1,100
York-Hanover MSA	<b>182,800</b>	182,200	177,000	188,800	600	5,800
Data benchmarked to March 2020	***Data changes of 100 may be due to rounding***					

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