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LANCASTER MSA NOVEMBER UNEMPLOYMENT RATE 3.6%

HARRISBURG (DECEMBER 28) – The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for the Lancaster Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) decreased 0.7 percentage points over the month to 3.6 percent in **November**. The statewide unemployment rate was down 0.3 percentage points to 5.7 percent, while the national rate dropped 0.4 percentage points to 4.2 percent.

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 up 0.1 percent (+200) over the month to 249,300 in November. Over the year, jobs were up 2.0 percent (+4,900) in the MSA, while statewide jobs increased 2.6 percent.

November's Not Seasonally Adjusted Nonfarm Jobs Detail

Over the month, nine of the ten supersectors were up, only leisure & hospitality had a seasonal decrease of 1,000. However, over the year, leisure & hospitality was up 1,100, second only to professional & business services (+1,500) and tied with manufacturing.

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/
November 2021	275,700	266,700	9,000	3.3	275,600	265,500	10,000	3.6
October	279,000	268,300	10,700	3.8	276,600	264,800	11,800	4.3
September	277,900	266,200	11,700	4.2	275,500	263,900	11,700	4.2
November 2020	278,800	265,200	13,600	4.9	280,300	265,900	14,400	5.1

PENNSYLVANIA MAJOR LABOR MARKET AREAS, PENNSYLVANIA, AND UNITED STATES
November 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	435,200	415,900	19,300	4.4	436,600	412,600	24,000	5.5
Altoona MSA	56,500	54,200	2,300	4.0	56,600	54,100	2,500	4.5
Bloomsburg-Berwick MSA	42,700	41,200	1,500	3.5	42,500	40,600	1,800	4.3
Chambersburg-Waynesboro MSA	75,100	72,700	2,400	3.2	75,400	72,200	3,200	4.3
East Stroudsburg MSA	79,400	75,000	4,400	5.5	79,400	74,000	5,300	6.7
Erie MSA	121,800	115,700	6,100	5.0	122,900	115,300	7,600	6.2
Gettysburg MSA	55,100	53,600	1,500	2.7	54,900	52,700	2,100	3.9
Harrisburg-Carlisle MSA	296,100	285,600	10,500	3.5	294,200	282,400	11,800	4.0
Johnstown MSA	52,600	50,000	2,600	4.9	53,100	49,600	3,500	6.7
Lancaster MSA	275,700	266,700	9,000	3.3	275,600	265,500	10,000	3.6
Lebanon MSA	70,000	67,500	2,500	3.6	69,800	67,000	2,900	4.1
Philadelphia MSA	3,055,400	2,915,900	139,500	4.6	3,054,800	2,883,200	171,600	5.6
Pittsburgh MSA	1,147,900	1,099,300	48,600	4.2	1,161,300	1,095,600	65,600	5.7
Reading MSA	201,700	192,600	9,200	4.5	201,600	191,400	10,200	5.1
Scranton--W-B--Hazleton MSA	267,100	253,100	13,900	5.2	267,300	249,000	18,300	6.8
State College MSA	75,600	73,400	2,200	2.9	74,100	71,200	2,900	3.9
Williamsport MSA	54,600	52,100	2,400	4.5	55,000	51,800	3,100	5.7
York-Hanover MSA	230,000	222,000	8,100	3.5	229,100	219,900	9,200	4.0
PENNSYLVANIA	6,219,000	5,952,000	267,000	4.3	6,259,000	5,899,000	359,000	5.7
UNITED STATES	162,099,000	155,797,000	6,302,000	3.9	162,052,000	155,175,000	6,877,000	4.2

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)

November 2021

NONFARM JOBS - NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

ESTABLISHMENT DATA	Industry Employment				Net Change From:	
	Nov 2021	Oct 2021	Nov 2020	Nov 2019	Oct 2021	Nov 2020
TOTAL NONFARM	251,100	250,800	245,700	263,700	300	5,400
TOTAL PRIVATE	230,500	230,400	225,900	242,600	100	4,600
GOODS-PRODUCING	55,400	55,500	53,500	55,700	-100	1,900
Mining, Logging, and Construction	19,100	19,200	18,300	18,600	-100	800
Manufacturing	36,300	36,300	35,200	37,100	0	1,100
Durable Goods	19,300	19,400	18,600	19,500	-100	700
Non-Durable Goods	17,000	16,900	16,600	17,600	100	400
Food mfg.	7,600	7,500	7,700	7,800	100	-100
SERVICE-PROVIDING	195,700	195,300	192,200	208,000	400	3,500
PRIVATE SERVICE-PROVIDING	175,100	174,900	172,400	186,900	200	2,700
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	59,200	58,400	59,000	62,000	800	200
Wholesale Trade	14,100	14,100	13,900	16,000	0	200
Retail Trade	28,600	28,300	29,100	30,600	300	-500
General merchandise stores	3,500	3,300	3,400	3,700	200	100
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	16,500	16,000	16,000	15,400	500	500
Information	2,400	2,400	2,400	2,700	0	0
Financial Activities	9,600	9,600	9,400	9,500	0	200
Professional and Business Services	26,200	25,700	24,700	26,500	500	1,500
Education and Health Services	44,800	44,900	45,600	48,900	-100	-800
Health care and social assistance	40,000	39,900	39,800	41,000	100	200
Hospitals	9,000	9,000	8,900	8,700	0	100
Leisure and Hospitality	20,800	21,800	19,700	24,500	-1,000	1,100
Accommodation and food services	16,900	17,300	16,800	20,400	-400	100
Food services and drinking places	13,400	13,800	14,000	16,700	-400	-600
Other Services	12,100	12,100	11,600	12,800	0	500
Government	20,600	20,400	19,800	21,100	200	800
Federal Government	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,300	0	0
State Government	3,100	3,000	3,100	3,600	100	0
Local Government	16,300	16,200	15,500	16,200	100	800
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**

November 2021

AREA	Industry Employment				Net Change From:	
	Nov 2021	Oct 2021	Nov 2020	Nov 2019	Oct 2021	Nov 2020
PENNSYLVANIA	5,781,800	5,768,300	5,637,800	6,082,500	13,500	144,000
Allentown-Bethlehem-Easton MSA	371,500	371,000	361,400	382,600	500	10,100
Altoona MSA	58,400	58,000	58,600	61,300	400	-200
Bloomsburg-Berwick MSA	43,100	43,100	41,300	43,000	0	1,800
Chambersburg-Waynesboro MSA	59,700	59,600	58,400	62,200	100	1,300
East Stroudsburg MSA	56,500	56,300	54,400	59,800	200	2,100
Erie MSA	119,400	119,900	118,000	128,000	-500	1,400
Gettysburg MSA	35,200	35,000	33,100	35,200	200	2,100
Harrisburg-Carlisle MSA	344,400	342,600	335,500	353,700	1,800	8,900
Johnstown MSA	48,300	48,200	49,100	53,500	100	-800
Lancaster MSA	249,300	249,100	244,400	261,500	200	4,900
Lebanon MSA	51,300	51,200	50,700	53,900	100	600
Philadelphia-Camden-Wilmington MSA	2,879,300	2,862,000	2,771,700	2,998,000	17,300	107,600
Montgomery-Bucks-Chester Metro Division	1,053,600	1,048,600	1,016,700	1,094,600	5,000	36,900
Philadelphia Metro Division	915,100	912,700	890,400	989,700	2,400	24,700
Philadelphia City	687,600	685,000	665,500	746,600	2,600	22,100
Pittsburgh MSA	1,127,200	1,126,200	1,099,700	1,194,400	1,000	27,500
Reading MSA	166,100	166,400	166,100	182,100	-300	0
Scranton-Wilkes-Barre-Hazleton MSA	250,400	249,600	246,300	264,600	800	4,100
State College MSA	73,000	73,200	70,200	80,100	-200	2,800
Williamsport MSA	50,800	50,700	49,900	53,100	100	900
York-Hanover MSA	183,300	182,900	177,900	189,100	400	5,400
Data benchmarked to March 2020	***Data changes of 100 may be due to rounding***					

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