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### **LANCASTER MSA APRIL UNEMPLOYMENT RATE 3.5%**

**HARRISBURG (MAY 31)** – The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for the Lancaster Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) was down one-tenth of a percentage point over the month to 3.5 percent in April 2022. The statewide rate declined to 4.8 percent, while the national rate was unchanged at 3.6 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 decreased 0.4 percent over the month (-1,100) to 253,000 in April.** Over the year, jobs were up 1.7 percent (+4,300) in the MSA as statewide jobs rose 3.7 percent over that time.

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

Over the month, five of the ten industry supersectors increased, while four were unchanged. Leisure & hospitality had a seasonal increase of 600 jobs in April. Over the year, nine of the ten supersectors added jobs with the largest increase in trade, transportation & utilities (+2,900).

**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/
April 2022	281,000	272,100	8,900	3.2	283,900	273,800	10,100	3.5
March	281,600	272,000	9,600	3.4	284,000	273,700	10,300	3.6
February	280,900	270,500	10,300	3.7	284,100	273,200	10,900	3.8
April 2021	282,400	268,400	14,000	4.9	284,900	269,700	15,200	5.3

PENNSYLVANIA MAJOR LABOR MARKET AREAS, PENNSYLVANIA, AND UNITED STATES  
April 2022

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	448,800	430,400	18,400	4.1	449,700	429,200	20,500	4.6
Altoona MSA	58,600	56,300	2,300	4.0	59,100	56,500	2,600	4.4
Bloomsburg-Berwick MSA	42,100	40,600	1,500	3.5	42,200	40,500	1,700	4.1
Chambersburg-Waynesboro MSA	76,300	73,800	2,500	3.3	76,800	74,100	2,700	3.6
East Stroudsburg MSA	82,100	77,400	4,600	5.6	82,400	77,300	5,100	6.2
Erie MSA	125,900	119,600	6,300	5.0	126,400	119,400	7,000	5.5
Gettysburg MSA	54,500	53,000	1,500	2.8	54,900	53,200	1,700	3.2
Harrisburg-Carlisle MSA	306,200	296,000	10,200	3.3	306,300	294,600	11,600	3.8
Johnstown MSA	55,000	52,300	2,700	4.8	55,200	52,200	3,000	5.4
Lancaster MSA	281,000	272,100	8,900	3.2	283,900	273,800	10,100	3.5
Lebanon MSA	72,600	70,100	2,500	3.4	72,900	70,100	2,800	3.8
Philadelphia MSA	3,157,700	3,029,300	128,400	4.1	3,159,200	3,013,700	145,500	4.6
Pittsburgh MSA	1,172,400	1,123,000	49,400	4.2	1,170,600	1,114,000	56,600	4.8
Reading MSA	208,100	199,100	9,000	4.3	209,100	199,100	10,100	4.8
Scranton--W-B--Hazleton MSA	273,300	259,300	14,000	5.1	273,700	258,000	15,600	5.7
State College MSA	77,500	75,300	2,200	2.9	76,900	74,300	2,600	3.4
Williamsport MSA	54,200	51,700	2,500	4.6	54,600	51,800	2,700	5.0
York-Hanover MSA	235,200	227,100	8,100	3.4	235,600	226,300	9,300	4.0
PENNSYLVANIA	6,381,000	6,113,000	268,000	4.2	6,410,000	6,102,000	308,000	4.8
UNITED STATES	163,449,000	157,991,000	5,458,000	3.3	164,046,000	158,105,000	5,941,000	3.6

ALL DATA ARE ON 2021 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)

April 2022

## NONFARM JOBS - NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

ESTABLISHMENT DATA	Industry Employment				Net Change From:	
	Apr 2022	Mar 2022	Apr 2021	Apr 2020	Mar 2022	Apr 2021
<b>TOTAL NONFARM</b>	<b>253,200</b>	251,600	249,100	211,300	1,600	4,100
<b>TOTAL PRIVATE</b>	<b>233,500</b>	231,900	229,900	191,600	1,600	3,600
<b>GOODS-PRODUCING</b>	<b>55,800</b>	55,400	54,500	46,200	400	1,300
Mining, Logging, and Construction	18,000	17,800	18,200	13,800	200	-200
Manufacturing	37,800	37,600	36,300	32,400	200	1,500
Durable Goods	19,900	19,800	19,400	16,600	100	500
Non-Durable Goods	17,900	17,800	16,900	15,800	100	1,000
Food mfg.	8,700	8,700	7,900	7,300	0	800
<b>SERVICE-PROVIDING</b>	<b>197,400</b>	196,200	194,600	165,100	1,200	2,800
<b>PRIVATE SERVICE-PROVIDING</b>	<b>177,700</b>	176,500	175,400	145,400	1,200	2,300
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	60,000	59,800	57,100	50,000	200	2,900
Wholesale Trade	13,500	13,400	12,800	14,000	100	700
Retail Trade	29,600	29,300	28,800	22,400	300	800
General merchandise stores	3,300	3,300	3,100	2,500	0	200
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	16,900	17,100	15,500	13,600	-200	1,400
Information	2,600	2,600	2,500	2,300	0	100
Financial Activities	9,900	9,900	9,700	9,300	0	200
Professional and Business Services	26,000	26,200	26,900	22,900	-200	-900
Education and Health Services	46,100	45,500	47,200	42,700	600	-1,100
Health care and social assistance	39,500	39,500	40,600	36,700	0	-1,100
Hospitals	8,800	8,800	9,100	8,700	0	-300
Leisure and Hospitality	20,700	20,100	20,000	9,300	600	700
Accommodation and food services	17,400	16,700	16,700	8,300	700	700
Food services and drinking places	14,900	14,500	14,000	7,100	400	900
Other Services	12,400	12,400	12,000	8,900	0	400
Government	19,700	19,700	19,200	19,700	0	500
Federal Government	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,300	0	0
State Government	2,900	2,900	2,800	3,100	0	100
Local Government	15,600	15,600	15,200	15,300	0	400
Data benchmarked to March 2021	***Data changes of 100 may be due to rounding***					

TABLE 2A

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

**April 2022**

AREA	Industry Employment				Net Change From:	
	Apr 2022	Mar 2022	Apr 2021	Apr 2020	Mar 2022	Apr 2021
<b>PENNSYLVANIA</b>	<b>5,917,800</b>	5,906,400	5,707,500	4,961,100	11,400	210,300
Allentown-Bethlehem-Easton MSA	<b>383,500</b>	383,300	366,300	308,100	200	17,200
Altoona MSA	<b>60,000</b>	59,800	58,300	49,700	200	1,700
Bloomsburg-Berwick MSA	<b>42,100</b>	42,100	40,900	36,000	0	1,200
Chambersburg-Waynesboro MSA	<b>60,400</b>	60,300	59,000	53,100	100	1,400
East Stroudsburg MSA	<b>58,100</b>	57,800	55,800	43,500	300	2,300
Erie MSA	<b>122,600</b>	123,000	119,000	102,500	-400	3,600
Gettysburg MSA	<b>34,100</b>	34,200	32,900	26,700	-100	1,200
Harrisburg-Carlisle MSA	<b>353,300</b>	352,700	337,600	299,200	600	15,700
Johnstown MSA	<b>50,200</b>	50,300	49,600	43,200	-100	600
Lancaster MSA	<b>253,000</b>	254,100	248,700	210,800	-1,100	4,300
Lebanon MSA	<b>53,500</b>	53,400	51,700	44,700	100	1,800
Philadelphia-Camden-Wilmington MSA	<b>2,940,600</b>	2,938,400	2,835,400	2,490,900	2,200	105,200
Montgomery-Bucks-Chester Metro Division	<b>1,078,100</b>	1,079,500	1,047,000	888,900	-1,400	31,100
Philadelphia Metro Division	<b>950,100</b>	948,200	909,500	822,300	1,900	40,600
Philadelphia City	<b>720,000</b>	718,000	682,600	626,600	2,000	37,400
Pittsburgh MSA	<b>1,139,400</b>	1,135,500	1,106,500	966,200	3,900	32,900
Reading MSA	<b>171,100</b>	171,300	168,600	143,000	-200	2,500
Scranton-Wilkes-Barre-Hazleton MSA	<b>257,200</b>	256,200	246,500	216,000	1,000	10,700
State College MSA	<b>75,800</b>	75,900	72,600	66,700	-100	3,200
Williamsport MSA	<b>49,800</b>	50,300	49,900	44,300	-500	-100
York-Hanover MSA	<b>185,800</b>	185,200	180,500	151,700	600	5,300
Data benchmarked to March 2021	***Data changes of 100 may be due to rounding***					

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