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CHAMBERSBURG-WAYNESBORO MSA OCTOBER UNEMPLOYMENT RATE AT 3.0%

HARRISBURG (NOVEMBER 28) – The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for the Chambersburg-Waynesboro Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) was unchanged over the month, remaining at 3.0 percent in October. The state unemployment rate was unchanged from September at 3.4 percent in October, while the national rate was up one-tenth of a percentage point to 3.9 percent. Over the year, the local MSA’s rate declined by eight-tenths of a percentage point, the Pennsylvania rate declined by one percentage point and the national rate increased by two-tenths of a point.

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 Chambersburg-Waynesboro MSA were unchanged over the month at the record high 63,100 in October. Over the year, jobs were up 0.8 percent (+500) in the MSA, while statewide jobs increased 2.1 percent.

October Not Seasonally Adjusted Nonfarm Jobs Detail

The largest over-the-month movement among the seven published supersectors in October was a seasonal increase of 200 jobs in trade, transportation & utilities. The remaining published supersectors were essentially unchanged over the month. Over the year job movements among supersectors were small with the largest change in professional & business services (+200).

TABLE 1
CHAMBERSBURG-WAYNESBORO METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA
(Franklin County)

TOTAL CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT, UNEMPLOYMENT, AND UNEMPLOYMENT RATE
BY PLACE OF RESIDENCE¹

TIME PERIOD	CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYMENT ²	UNEMPLOYMENT	RATE (%) ³	SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ⁴			
					LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYMENT ²	UNEMPLOYMENT	RATE (%) ³
October 2023	78,200	76,100	2,100	2.7	78,000	75,700	2,300	3.0
September	77,900	75,900	2,000	2.6	77,900	75,600	2,300	3.0
August	79,300	76,300	3,000	3.7	77,800	75,400	2,400	3.1
October 2022	78,300	76,100	2,100	2.7	78,300	75,300	2,900	3.8

PENNSYLVANIA MAJOR LABOR MARKET AREAS, PENNSYLVANIA, AND UNITED STATES
October 2023

AREA NAME	CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYMENT ²	UNEMPLOYMENT	RATE (%) ³	SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ⁴			
					LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYMENT ²	UNEMPLOYMENT	RATE (%) ³
Allentown-Beth.-East. PA-NJ MSA	456,700	440,300	16,400	3.6	455,100	437,200	17,800	3.9
Altoona MSA	58,600	56,800	1,800	3.0	58,800	56,600	2,100	3.6
Bloomsburg-Berwick MSA	43,800	42,500	1,300	2.9	43,300	41,800	1,500	3.5
Chambersburg-Waynesboro MSA	78,200	76,100	2,100	2.7	78,000	75,700	2,300	3.0
East Stroudsburg MSA	82,200	78,800	3,400	4.2	81,900	78,200	3,800	4.6
Erie MSA	124,500	120,400	4,100	3.3	124,500	119,500	5,100	4.1
Gettysburg MSA	55,400	54,100	1,400	2.5	54,900	53,400	1,500	2.7
Harrisburg-Carlisle MSA	312,900	303,900	9,000	2.9	311,500	301,700	9,800	3.1
Johnstown MSA	54,900	52,900	2,000	3.6	54,900	52,500	2,400	4.4
Lancaster MSA	294,600	287,000	7,500	2.6	292,600	284,400	8,200	2.8
Lebanon MSA	75,800	73,800	2,000	2.6	75,200	72,800	2,300	3.1
Philadelphia MSA	3,283,600	3,165,200	118,400	3.6	3,271,500	3,149,200	122,300	3.7
Pittsburgh MSA	1,174,400	1,137,300	37,100	3.2	1,174,000	1,132,700	41,400	3.5
Reading MSA	215,100	207,800	7,300	3.4	214,500	206,500	8,100	3.8
Scranton--W-B--Hazleton MSA	280,900	270,400	10,500	3.7	279,000	267,400	11,700	4.2
State College MSA	80,700	78,700	2,000	2.5	78,500	76,300	2,200	2.8
Williamsport MSA	55,400	53,600	1,800	3.2	55,000	53,000	2,100	3.8
York-Hanover MSA	240,700	233,800	7,000	2.9	239,100	231,700	7,400	3.1
PENNSYLVANIA	6,534,000	6,323,000	211,000	3.2	6,499,000	6,276,000	223,000	3.4
UNITED STATES	167,774,000	161,676,000	6,098,000	3.6	167,728,000	161,222,000	6,506,000	3.9

ALL DATA ARE ON 2022 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

CHAMBERSBURG-WAYNESBORO METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA

(Franklin County)

October 2023

NONFARM JOBS - NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

ESTABLISHMENT DATA	Industry Employment				Net Change From:	
	Oct 2023	Sep 2023	Aug 2023	Oct 2022	Sep 2023	Oct 2022
TOTAL NONFARM	63,200	63,000	62,900	62,700	200	500
TOTAL PRIVATE	55,600	55,300	55,600	55,200	300	400
GOODS-PRODUCING	11,800	11,800	11,900	11,700	0	100
Mining, Logging, and Construction	2,800	2,800	2,900	2,700	0	100
Manufacturing	9,000	9,000	9,000	9,000	0	0
SERVICE-PROVIDING	51,400	51,200	51,000	51,000	200	400
PRIVATE SERVICE-PROVIDING	43,800	43,500	43,700	43,500	300	300
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	17,100	16,900	16,600	17,200	200	-100
Wholesale Trade	1,400	1,400	1,400	1,400	0	0
Retail Trade	7,700	7,600	7,700	7,700	100	0
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	8,000	7,900	7,500	8,100	100	-100
Professional and Business Services	7,100	7,100	7,000	7,000	0	100
Education and Health Services	9,800	9,700	9,600	9,600	100	200
Leisure and Hospitality	4,900	4,900	5,300	4,900	0	0
Government	7,600	7,700	7,300	7,500	-100	100
Federal Government	2,100	2,100	2,100	2,100	0	0
State Government	800	800	800	800	0	0
Local Government	4,700	4,800	4,400	4,600	-100	100
Data benchmarked to March 2022	***Data changes of 100 may be due to rounding***					

TABLE 2A

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

October 2023

AREA	Industry Employment				Net Change From:	
	Oct 2023	Sep 2023	Aug 2023	Oct 2022	Sep 2023	Oct 2022
PENNSYLVANIA	6,168,100	6,172,800	6,163,300	6,038,900	-4,700	129,200
Allentown-Bethlehem-Easton MSA	393,400	395,800	394,500	387,500	-2,400	5,900
Altoona MSA	61,200	61,400	61,400	60,300	-200	900
Bloomsburg-Berwick MSA	44,200	44,000	44,300	43,200	200	1,000
Chambersburg-Waynesboro MSA	63,100	63,100	63,100	62,600	0	500
East Stroudsburg MSA	58,800	58,900	58,700	57,700	-100	1,100
Erie MSA	124,500	125,200	124,200	123,400	-700	1,100
Gettysburg MSA	34,400	34,400	34,300	34,000	0	400
Harrisburg-Carlisle MSA	368,900	369,400	368,000	358,600	-500	10,300
Johnstown MSA	51,500	51,600	51,800	50,900	-100	600
Lancaster MSA	268,600	268,400	267,400	262,100	200	6,500
Lebanon MSA	56,900	56,800	56,700	54,700	100	2,200
Philadelphia-Camden-Wilmington MSA	3,129,900	3,127,700	3,118,000	3,047,000	2,200	82,900
Montgomery-Bucks-Chester Metro Division	1,150,600	1,146,900	1,142,200	1,113,200	3,700	37,400
Philadelphia Metro Division	1,020,300	1,021,100	1,019,700	991,500	-800	28,800
Philadelphia City	771,600	773,200	772,800	750,400	-1,600	21,200
Pittsburgh MSA	1,169,900	1,169,600	1,172,500	1,155,300	300	14,600
Reading MSA	180,100	180,200	180,600	178,000	-100	2,100
Scranton-Wilkes-Barre-Hazleton MSA	271,200	270,400	270,300	264,000	800	7,200
State College MSA	79,300	79,300	78,800	77,600	0	1,700
Williamsport MSA	52,400	52,300	52,000	51,600	100	800
York-Hanover MSA	194,400	193,900	193,800	190,500	500	3,900
Data benchmarked to March 2022	***Data changes of 100 may be due to rounding***					

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