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GETTYSBURG MSA UNEMPLOYMENT RATE AT 3.9%

HARRISBURG (JUNE 28) – The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for the Gettysburg Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) decreased one-tenth of a percentage point to 3.9 percent in May. The rate was down one-half of a percentage point since last May. The Gettysburg MSA had the lowest unemployment rate among the state’s 18 MSAs, while the Johnstown and Williamsport MSAs had the highest at 7.1 percent. The May seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for Pennsylvania rose two-tenths to 5.5 percent, while the national rate dropped three-tenths to 4.7 percent.

Unemployment rates across Pennsylvania ranged from the low in Adams and Chester counties to the high of 8.6 percent in Fayette County. Unemployment rates and rankings of neighboring counties were: Franklin (5.1%, t-16th); Cumberland (4.1%, t-3rd); and York (4.6%, t-9th).

In May, *not seasonally adjusted* total nonfarm jobs were essentially unchanged at 34,900. Over the year, jobs increased by 500. Leisure and hospitality gained 200 for the second consecutive month as businesses added employees for the tourism season. Seasonally adjusted total nonfarm jobs data is currently not available for the Gettysburg MSA.

TABLE 1
GETTYSBURG METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA
(Adams 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/
May 2016	56,300	54,100	2,200	3.9	56,200	54,000	2,200	3.9
April	56,000	53,900	2,000	3.6	56,300	54,000	2,300	4.0
March	56,000	53,800	2,200	4.0	56,000	53,900	2,100	3.7
May 2015	55,500	53,100	2,400	4.3	55,100	52,700	2,400	4.4

PENNSYLVANIA MAJOR LABOR MARKET AREAS, PENNSYLVANIA, AND UNITED STATES
May 2016

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	434,100	411,200	22,900	5.3	433,300	410,000	23,300	5.4
Altoona MSA	62,600	59,400	3,200	5.1	62,200	58,800	3,300	5.3
Bloomsburg-Berwick MSA	44,000	41,600	2,400	5.4	43,800	41,400	2,300	5.4
Chambersburg-Waynesboro MSA	80,000	76,000	4,000	5.0	80,000	75,900	4,100	5.1
East Stroudsburg MSA	81,700	76,400	5,300	6.5	81,800	76,500	5,300	6.4
Erie MSA	136,000	127,000	9,000	6.6	135,600	126,400	9,100	6.7
Gettysburg MSA	56,300	54,100	2,200	3.9	56,200	54,000	2,200	3.9
Harrisburg-Carlisle MSA	298,700	284,900	13,800	4.6	298,300	284,400	13,800	4.6
Johnstown MSA	62,400	58,200	4,200	6.7	62,400	58,000	4,400	7.1
Lancaster MSA	279,700	268,300	11,500	4.1	280,000	268,300	11,700	4.2
Lebanon MSA	71,400	68,200	3,200	4.5	71,200	68,000	3,200	4.5
Philadelphia MSA	3,120,700	2,961,400	159,300	5.1	3,125,000	2,962,500	162,400	5.2
Pittsburgh MSA	1,227,100	1,156,900	70,200	5.7	1,224,900	1,154,600	70,300	5.7
Reading MSA	217,300	206,300	11,000	5.1	216,800	205,700	11,000	5.1
Scranton--W-B--Hazleton MSA	282,100	264,700	17,400	6.2	282,300	264,400	17,900	6.3
State College MSA	80,300	76,900	3,400	4.2	79,600	76,300	3,300	4.2
Williamsport MSA	60,300	56,100	4,200	7.0	60,600	56,300	4,300	7.1
York-Hanover MSA	238,700	227,600	11,100	4.6	238,000	227,100	10,900	4.6
PENNSYLVANIA	6,536,000	6,179,000	357,000	5.5	6,541,000	6,180,000	361,000	5.5
UNITED STATES	158,800,000	151,594,000	7,207,000	4.5	158,466,000	151,030,000	7,436,000	4.7

ALL DATA ARE ON 2015 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

GETTYSBURG METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA

(Adams County)

May 2016

NONFARM JOBS - NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

ESTABLISHMENT DATA	Industry Employment				Net Change From:	
	May 2016	Apr 2016	Mar 2016	May 2015	Apr 2016	May 2015
TOTAL NONFARM	34,900	35,000	34,400	34,400	-100	500
TOTAL PRIVATE	30,900	30,900	30,400	30,200	0	700
GOODS-PRODUCING	8,300	8,300	8,100	8,300	0	0
Mining, Logging, and Construction	1,500	1,500	1,400	1,500	0	0
Manufacturing	6,800	6,800	6,700	6,800	0	0
SERVICE-PROVIDING	26,600	26,700	26,300	26,100	-100	500
PRIVATE SERVICE-PROVIDING	22,600	22,600	22,300	21,900	0	700
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	5,700	5,600	5,600	5,600	100	100
Retail Trade	3,700	3,700	3,600	3,600	0	100
Education and Health Services	6,700	6,800	6,700	6,700	-100	0
Leisure and Hospitality	4,900	4,700	4,500	4,800	200	100
Government	4,000	4,100	4,000	4,200	-100	-200
Data benchmarked to March 2015	***Data changes of 100 may be due to rounding***					