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### **LEBANON MSA UNEMPLOYMENT RATE AT 4.5%**

**HARRISBURG (JUNE 28) – The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for the Lebanon Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) was unchanged in May at 4.5 percent.** The rate was down two-tenths of a percentage point from last May. The Lebanon MSA had the fourth-lowest rate among the state’s 18 MSAs. The Gettysburg MSA had the lowest rate at 3.9 percent, while the Johnstown and the Williamsport MSAs tied for the highest rate 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.

Lebanon County had the eighth-lowest unemployment rate among Pennsylvania’s 67 counties in May. Unemployment rates and rankings of neighboring counties were: Dauphin (5.0%, t-14<sup>th</sup>); Schuylkill (6.3%, 37<sup>th</sup>); Berks (5.1%, t-16<sup>th</sup>); and Lancaster (4.2%, t-5<sup>th</sup>). Unemployment rates across Pennsylvania ranged from 3.9 percent in Adams and Chester counties to 8.6 percent in Fayette County.

**The Lebanon MSA’s *seasonally adjusted* total nonfarm jobs were essentially unchanged at 51,300 in May.** Over the year, jobs were up 0.8 percent (+400) in the MSA, while statewide jobs grew 0.7 percent.

Looking at industry detail (not seasonally adjusted), trade, transportation, & utilities led all supersectors adding 200 jobs in May, while education & health services had the largest over-the-year gain of 300.

**TABLE 1**  
**LEBANON METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA**  
 (Lebanon 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	71,400	68,200	3,200	4.5	71,200	68,000	3,200	4.5
April	70,700	67,700	3,000	4.2	71,300	68,100	3,200	4.5
March	71,100	67,800	3,300	4.6	71,500	68,500	3,000	4.2
May 2015	70,700	67,400	3,300	4.7	70,300	67,000	3,300	4.7

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

## LEBANON METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA

(Lebanon 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
<b>TOTAL NONFARM</b>	<b>51,800</b>	51,600	51,100	51,400	200	400
<b>TOTAL PRIVATE</b>	<b>43,600</b>	43,400	42,900	43,200	200	400
<b>GOODS-PRODUCING</b>	<b>10,400</b>	10,400	10,400	10,500	0	-100
<b>Manufacturing</b>	<b>8,700</b>	8,600	8,600	8,700	100	0
<b>SERVICE-PROVIDING</b>	<b>41,400</b>	41,200	40,700	40,900	200	500
<b>PRIVATE SERVICE-PROVIDING</b>	<b>33,200</b>	33,000	32,500	32,700	200	500
<b>Trade, Transportation, and Utilities</b>	<b>11,500</b>	11,300	11,200	11,500	200	0
<b>Retail Trade</b>	<b>6,300</b>	6,300	6,200	6,300	0	0
<b>Education and Health Services</b>	<b>9,200</b>	9,300	9,200	8,900	-100	300
<b>Government</b>	<b>8,200</b>	8,200	8,200	8,200	0	0
<b>Federal Government</b>	<b>3,100</b>	3,100	3,100	3,100	0	0
<b>State Government</b>	<b>700</b>	700	700	700	0	0
<b>Local Government</b>	<b>4,400</b>	4,400	4,400	4,400	0	0
Data benchmarked to March 2015	***Data changes of 100 may be due to rounding***					

TABLE 2A

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

**May 2016**

AREA	Industry Employment				Net Change From:	
	May 2016	Apr 2016	Mar 2016	May 2015	Apr 2016	May 2015
<b>PENNSYLVANIA</b>	<b>5,871,000</b>	5,881,200	5,894,600	5,831,800	-10,200	39,200
Allentown-Bethlehem-Easton MSA	<b>356,900</b>	357,500	358,300	356,700	-600	200
Altoona MSA	<b>62,500</b>	62,300	61,800	61,200	200	1,300
Erie MSA	<b>128,600</b>	128,000	128,300	130,100	600	-1,500
Harrisburg-Carlisle MSA	<b>336,900</b>	338,300	337,300	332,700	-1,400	4,200
Johnstown MSA	<b>55,800</b>	56,200	56,300	56,800	-400	-1,000
Lancaster MSA	<b>245,200</b>	246,400	246,400	244,000	-1,200	1,200
Lebanon MSA	<b>51,300</b>	51,400	51,300	50,900	-100	400
Philadelphia MSA	<b>2,874,200</b>	2,878,500	2,875,200	2,816,100	-4,300	58,100
Pittsburgh MSA	<b>1,158,800</b>	1,165,300	1,167,300	1,161,600	-6,500	-2,800
Reading MSA	<b>177,900</b>	177,700	178,000	175,900	200	2,000
Scranton-Wilkes-Barre-Hazleton MSA	<b>260,000</b>	259,900	259,500	258,500	100	1,500
State College MSA	<b>76,600</b>	77,100	77,400	72,100	-500	4,500
Williamsport MSA	<b>54,300</b>	54,500	54,900	55,800	-200	-1,500
York-Hanover MSA	<b>184,600</b>	184,700	183,900	180,500	-100	4,100
Philadelphia City	<b>695,100</b>	695,700	694,500	682,300	-600	12,800
Data benchmarked to March 2015	***Data changes of 100 may be due to rounding***					

Note: Seasonally adjusted total nonfarm jobs data is currently not available for the Bloomsburg-Berwick MSA, Chambersburg-Waynesboro MSA, Gettysburg MSA, East Stroudsburg MSA, or Montgomery-Bucks-Chester and Philadelphia Metropolitan Divisions.

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