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JOHNSTOWN MSA NOVEMBER UNEMPLOYMENT RATE AT 5.1%

HARRISBURG (JANUARY 3) – The November seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for the Johnstown Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) decreased two-tenths of a percentage point to 5.1 percent. The Johnstown MSA had the 17th lowest unemployment rate among Pennsylvania’s 18 MSAs; rates ranged from 3.2 percent in the Gettysburg and State College MSAs to 5.3 percent in the East Stroudsburg MSA. The November seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for Pennsylvania increased one-tenth of a percentage point to 4.2 percent and the national rate was unchanged at 3.7 percent. Over the year, the local MSA’s rate fell seven-tenths of a percentage point.

Cambria tied with three other counties for the 55th lowest unemployment rate among Pennsylvania’s 67 counties. Unemployment rates across Pennsylvania ranged from 3.1 percent in Chester County to 6.0 percent in Forest County.

In November, seasonally adjusted total nonfarm jobs in the Johnstown MSA decreased 300 to 55,300. Over the year, jobs were up 0.2 percent (+100) in the MSA, while statewide jobs grew 1.3 percent.

November’s Not Seasonally Adjusted Nonfarm Jobs Detail (see Table 2)

Leisure & hospitality had a seasonal decrease in jobs over the month (-200), and was the largest movement of any published supersector. All remaining supersectors were essentially unchanged.

TABLE 1
JOHNSTOWN METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA
(Cambria 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 2018	59,200	56,600	2,600	4.4	59,300	56,300	3,000	5.1
October	59,600	56,900	2,600	4.4	59,500	56,300	3,200	5.3
September	58,700	56,100	2,600	4.4	59,200	56,000	3,100	5.3
November 2017	59,300	56,300	3,000	5.1	59,300	55,800	3,400	5.8

PENNSYLVANIA MAJOR LABOR MARKET AREAS, PENNSYLVANIA, AND UNITED STATES
November 2018

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	436,800	419,700	17,100	3.9	437,300	418,100	19,300	4.4
Altoona MSA	59,900	57,600	2,200	3.7	60,300	57,700	2,500	4.2
Bloomsburg-Berwick MSA	42,700	41,100	1,600	3.7	42,500	40,600	1,900	4.4
Chambersburg-Waynesboro MSA	77,200	74,700	2,500	3.2	77,500	74,800	2,700	3.5
East Stroudsburg MSA	81,600	77,600	4,000	4.9	82,200	77,800	4,400	5.3
Erie MSA	128,900	123,600	5,200	4.1	128,900	122,900	6,000	4.6
Gettysburg MSA	56,300	54,800	1,600	2.8	56,400	54,600	1,800	3.2
Harrisburg-Carlisle MSA	297,700	287,800	9,800	3.3	299,100	288,200	10,900	3.7
Johnstown MSA	59,200	56,600	2,600	4.4	59,300	56,300	3,000	5.1
Lancaster MSA	281,800	273,400	8,400	3.0	283,000	273,500	9,500	3.4
Lebanon MSA	70,500	68,100	2,400	3.4	70,700	68,100	2,700	3.8
Philadelphia MSA	3,118,800	3,007,000	111,800	3.6	3,118,300	2,993,500	124,700	4.0
Pittsburgh MSA	1,211,200	1,166,600	44,600	3.7	1,213,500	1,163,000	50,500	4.2
Reading MSA	214,200	206,200	8,000	3.7	214,600	205,700	8,900	4.1
Scranton--W-B--Hazleton MSA	283,300	270,600	12,700	4.5	281,700	267,500	14,200	5.0
State College MSA	80,800	78,600	2,200	2.8	78,600	76,100	2,500	3.2
Williamsport MSA	56,000	53,600	2,400	4.3	56,100	53,400	2,700	4.8
York-Hanover MSA	237,100	229,200	8,000	3.4	237,300	228,500	8,800	3.7
PENNSYLVANIA	6,458,000	6,213,000	245,000	3.8	6,441,000	6,172,000	269,000	4.2
UNITED STATES	162,665,000	157,015,000	5,650,000	3.5	162,770,000	156,795,000	5,975,000	3.7

ALL DATA ARE ON 2017 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

JOHNSTOWN METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA

(Cambria County)

November 2018 NONFARM JOBS - NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

ESTABLISHMENT DATA	Industry Employment				Net Change From:	
	Nov 2018	Oct 2018	Sep 2018	Nov 2017	Oct 2018	Nov 2017
TOTAL NONFARM	56,100	56,600	55,500	56,100	-500	0
TOTAL PRIVATE	48,600	49,100	48,200	48,400	-500	200
GOODS-PRODUCING	6,200	6,300	6,200	6,100	-100	100
Mining, Logging, and Construction	2,100	2,200	2,200	2,100	-100	0
Manufacturing	4,100	4,100	4,000	4,000	0	100
SERVICE-PROVIDING	49,900	50,300	49,300	50,000	-400	-100
PRIVATE SERVICE-PROVIDING	42,400	42,800	42,000	42,300	-400	100
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	11,300	11,200	11,100	10,900	100	400
Retail Trade	6,700	6,700	6,600	6,700	0	0
Information	800	800	800	800	0	0
Financial Activities	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,600	0	-100
Professional and Business Services	4,900	5,000	5,000	4,900	-100	0
Education and Health Services	16,100	16,200	15,400	15,900	-100	200
Leisure and Hospitality	4,200	4,400	4,500	4,500	-200	-300
Other Services	2,600	2,700	2,700	2,700	-100	-100
Government	7,500	7,500	7,300	7,700	0	-200
Federal Government	900	1,000	900	1,000	-100	-100
State Government	1,700	1,700	1,700	1,700	0	0
Local Government	4,900	4,800	4,700	5,000	100	-100
Data benchmarked to March 2017	***Data changes of 100 may be due to rounding***					

TABLE 2A

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

November 2018

AREA	Industry Employment				Net Change From:	
	Nov 2018	Oct 2018	Sep 2018	Nov 2017	Oct 2018	Nov 2017
PENNSYLVANIA	6,055,500	6,060,900	6,044,900	5,976,800	-5,400	78,700
Allentown-Bethlehem-Easton MSA	376,800	377,500	375,700	372,900	-700	3,900
Altoona MSA	62,100	61,800	61,700	61,300	300	800
Bloomsburg-Berwick MSA	42,700	42,600	42,700	42,500	100	200
Chambersburg-Waynesboro MSA	61,900	61,600	61,600	60,900	300	1,000
East Stroudsburg MSA	58,800	58,800	58,600	58,300	0	500
Erie MSA	127,300	127,700	127,800	127,600	-400	-300
Gettysburg MSA	36,400	36,200	36,200	35,500	200	900
Harrisburg-Carlisle MSA	349,500	348,500	348,000	343,100	1,000	6,400
Johnstown MSA	55,300	55,600	55,500	55,200	-300	100
Lancaster MSA	258,700	258,600	257,700	253,800	100	4,900
Lebanon MSA	52,600	52,700	52,600	52,400	-100	200
Philadelphia-Camden-Wilmington MSA	2,966,900	2,969,400	2,968,200	2,924,700	-2,500	42,200
Montgomery-Bucks-Chester Metro Division	1,080,000	1,079,900	1,078,000	1,067,200	100	12,800
Philadelphia Metro Division	969,700	969,700	969,200	949,600	0	20,100
Philadelphia City	732,000	731,800	732,000	713,200	200	18,800
Pittsburgh MSA	1,193,800	1,193,500	1,191,100	1,183,700	300	10,100
Reading MSA	181,300	181,300	181,200	178,000	0	3,300
Scranton-Wilkes-Barre-Hazleton MSA	269,000	268,100	268,200	265,600	900	3,400
State College MSA	78,700	78,800	78,400	78,300	-100	400
Williamsport MSA	52,200	52,500	52,700	53,100	-300	-900
York-Hanover MSA	190,600	190,000	188,900	187,000	600	3,600
Data benchmarked to March 2017	***Data changes of 100 may be due to rounding***					

Note: Seasonally adjusted total nonfarm jobs data back to 1990 is now available for the Bloomsburg-Berwick MSA, Chambersburg-Waynesboro MSA, Gettysburg MSA, East Stroudsburg MSA, and Montgomery-Bucks-Chester and Philadelphia Metropolitan Divisions.

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