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PITTSBURGH MSA APRIL UNEMPLOYMENT RATE 4.2%

HARRISBURG (MAY 30) – The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate in the seven-county Pittsburgh Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) decreased one-tenth of a percentage point to 4.2 percent in April 2023. Pennsylvania’s rate was 4.1 percent, and the national rate was 3.4 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 Pittsburgh MSA were essentially unchanged over the month at 1,167,900 in April. Jobs in the local area rose by 2.1 percent (+23,900) over the year while statewide jobs were up by 2.6 percent since last April.

April Not Seasonally Adjusted Nonfarm Jobs Detail (see Table 2)

Jobs increased in seven of the eleven supersectors since March. Seasonal increases were seen in leisure and hospitality which was up 4,600, construction which added 5,300, and professional and business services which was up by 2,100. Other notable gainers include trade, transportation, and utilities (+1,400), and manufacturing (+1,000). Financial activities and education and health services both lost 600. Over the year, jobs were up in ten of the eleven supersectors. Professional and business services had the largest volume increase, adding 6,500 jobs. Leisure and hospitality (+5,100), education and health services (+4,300), and manufacturing (+3,300) round out the top four gainers over the year. The only decline was in construction which was down 2,000 since April 2022.

TABLE 1
PITTSBURGH METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA
 (Allegheny, Armstrong, Beaver, Butler, Fayette, Washington & Westmoreland Counties)

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

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 2023	1,170,700	1,133,300	37,400	3.2	1,180,300	1,131,000	49,300	4.2
March	1,176,300	1,130,200	46,100	3.9	1,180,800	1,129,700	51,100	4.3
February	1,175,800	1,117,900	57,900	4.9	1,180,800	1,128,200	52,600	4.5
April 2022	1,171,600	1,122,300	49,300	4.2	1,179,000	1,126,700	52,300	4.4

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

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	449,600	434,800	14,800	3.3	454,800	437,200	17,700	3.9
Altoona MSA	58,200	56,400	1,800	3.0	58,900	56,700	2,200	3.8
Bloomsburg-Berwick MSA	43,200	41,800	1,300	3.1	43,400	41,600	1,800	4.1
Chambersburg-Waynesboro MSA	76,900	74,900	2,000	2.6	77,800	75,100	2,700	3.4
East Stroudsburg MSA	81,500	77,900	3,600	4.4	82,700	78,200	4,500	5.4
Erie MSA	124,200	119,800	4,300	3.5	126,100	120,300	5,700	4.6
Gettysburg MSA	54,800	53,500	1,300	2.3	55,100	53,400	1,600	2.9
Harrisburg-Carlisle MSA	306,500	298,300	8,200	2.7	309,600	299,400	10,100	3.3
Johnstown MSA	54,500	52,500	2,000	3.6	55,200	52,600	2,600	4.8
Lancaster MSA	288,700	281,700	7,000	2.4	291,100	282,100	9,000	3.1
Lebanon MSA	74,100	72,100	2,000	2.6	74,300	72,000	2,300	3.1
Philadelphia MSA	3,242,700	3,140,700	102,000	3.1	3,239,800	3,118,400	121,400	3.7
Pittsburgh MSA	1,170,700	1,133,300	37,400	3.2	1,180,300	1,131,000	49,300	4.2
Reading MSA	212,200	205,400	6,800	3.2	214,000	205,900	8,200	3.8
Scranton--W-B--Hazleton MSA	275,900	265,400	10,600	3.8	278,700	265,500	13,200	4.7
State College MSA	79,500	77,700	1,900	2.4	79,100	76,500	2,600	3.3
Williamsport MSA	54,700	53,000	1,800	3.2	55,200	53,000	2,300	4.1
York-Hanover MSA	236,400	230,100	6,400	2.7	239,000	230,700	8,300	3.5
PENNSYLVANIA	6,447,000	6,242,000	204,000	3.2	6,509,000	6,242,000	268,000	4.1
UNITED STATES	166,221,000	161,075,000	5,146,000	3.1	166,688,000	161,031,000	5,657,000	3.4

ALL DATA ARE ON 2022 BENCHMARK.

SOURCE: Center for Workforce Information & Analysis (CWIA), Pennsylvania Department of Labor & Industry.

FOOTNOTES

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ALLEGHENY COUNTY								
April 2023	628,400	609,000	19,400	3.1	630,600	608,800	21,800	3.5
March	630,700	607,800	22,900	3.6	631,900	610,300	21,600	3.4
February	629,700	601,300	28,500	4.5	633,100	607,200	25,900	4.1
April 2022	628,200	603,300	25,000	4.0	630,500	603,000	27,500	4.4
ARMSTRONG COUNTY								
April 2023	30,700	29,700	1,000	3.3	31,000	29,800	1,200	3.8
March	31,000	29,500	1,500	4.9	31,100	29,800	1,400	4.4
February	31,200	29,200	2,000	6.3	31,100	29,600	1,500	4.9
April 2022	30,900	29,400	1,500	4.9	31,200	29,500	1,700	5.4
BEAVER COUNTY								
April 2023	81,200	78,000	3,100	3.9	81,500	78,100	3,400	4.2
March	81,800	77,800	4,000	4.9	81,800	78,200	3,600	4.4
February	81,900	77,000	4,900	6.0	82,400	77,900	4,500	5.5
April 2022	81,300	77,300	4,100	5.0	81,700	77,300	4,400	5.3
BUTLER COUNTY								
April 2023	98,000	95,200	2,800	2.8	98,400	95,300	3,100	3.2
March	98,400	94,800	3,600	3.6	98,500	95,300	3,200	3.3
February	98,300	93,800	4,600	4.6	98,700	94,700	4,000	4.1
April 2022	97,800	94,200	3,600	3.7	98,300	94,300	4,000	4.1
FAYETTE COUNTY								
April 2023	54,400	52,100	2,300	4.2	54,800	52,200	2,600	4.8
March	54,900	51,900	3,000	5.5	55,000	52,200	2,800	5.1
February	55,000	51,300	3,700	6.8	55,100	52,000	3,100	5.7
April 2022	54,800	51,500	3,200	5.9	55,200	51,600	3,600	6.5
WASHINGTON COUNTY								
April 2023	103,800	100,500	3,300	3.2	104,200	100,500	3,700	3.5
March	104,300	100,200	4,100	3.9	104,400	100,700	3,700	3.5
February	104,300	99,100	5,200	5.0	104,500	100,100	4,400	4.2
April 2022	104,100	99,600	4,600	4.4	104,500	99,600	5,000	4.8
WESTMORELAND COUNTY								
April 2023	174,200	168,700	5,500	3.2	175,000	169,000	6,000	3.4
March	175,200	168,200	7,100	4.0	175,500	169,300	6,200	3.5
February	175,300	166,300	9,000	5.1	176,100	168,400	7,800	4.4
April 2022	174,400	167,100	7,300	4.2	175,200	167,400	7,800	4.4
CITY OF PITTSBURGH								
April 2023	151,800	147,400	4,400	2.9	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
March	152,300	147,100	5,200	3.4	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
February	152,000	145,500	6,500	4.3	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
April 2022	151,700	146,000	5,700	3.8	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a

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TABLE 2

PITTSBURGH METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA

(Allegheny, Armstrong, Beaver, Butler, Fayette,
Washington, and Westmoreland counties)

April 2023

NONFARM JOBS - NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

ESTABLISHMENT DATA	Industry Employment				Net Change From:	
	Apr 2023	Mar 2023	Feb 2023	Apr 2022	Mar 2023	Apr 2022
TOTAL NONFARM	1,169,800	1,156,400	1,146,900	1,145,600	13,400	24,200
TOTAL PRIVATE	1,056,700	1,043,500	1,034,500	1,033,300	13,200	23,400
GOODS-PRODUCING	151,500	145,100	142,600	149,700	6,400	1,800
Mining and Logging	8,300	8,200	8,200	7,800	100	500
Construction	57,400	52,100	50,200	59,400	5,300	-2,000
Specialty trade contractors	32,800	30,100	29,400	34,300	2,700	-1,500
Manufacturing	85,800	84,800	84,200	82,500	1,000	3,300
Durable Goods	62,800	62,000	61,600	59,700	800	3,100
Primary metal mfg.	10,200	10,100	10,100	9,500	100	700
Iron and steel mills and ferroalloy mfg.	5,300	5,200	5,200	4,800	100	500
Non-Durable Goods	23,000	22,800	22,600	22,800	200	200
SERVICE-PROVIDING	1,018,300	1,011,300	1,004,300	995,900	7,000	22,400
PRIVATE SERVICE-PROVIDING	905,200	898,400	891,900	883,600	6,800	21,600
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	204,700	203,300	202,500	202,800	1,400	1,900
Wholesale Trade	41,800	41,600	41,600	40,900	200	900
Retail Trade	113,800	113,100	112,000	115,000	700	-1,200
Building material and supplies dealers	8,300	8,200	8,100	8,500	100	-200
Food and beverage retailers	22,000	22,100	22,100	22,000	-100	0
General merchandise retailers	24,200	24,200	24,100	24,400	0	-200
Department stores	8,200	8,200	8,300	8,300	0	-100
Clothing, clothing accessories, shoe, and jewelry r	6,200	6,200	6,300	6,300	0	-100
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	49,100	48,600	48,900	46,900	500	2,200
Utilities	5,400	5,400	5,400	5,300	0	100
Truck transportation	10,600	10,600	10,700	10,700	0	-100
Information	21,700	21,800	21,500	20,800	-100	900
Financial Activities	75,200	75,800	75,400	73,200	-600	2,000
Finance and insurance	59,900	60,400	59,900	58,200	-500	1,700
Credit Intermediation and Related Activities includin	27,000	27,100	27,000	26,400	-100	600
Depository Credit Intermediation including Moneta	23,500	23,600	23,500	22,800	-100	700
Insurance carriers and related activities	25,800	25,900	25,900	24,900	-100	900
Professional and Business Services	195,700	193,600	193,000	189,200	2,100	6,500
Professional and technical services	92,600	91,800	91,600	88,100	800	4,500
Architectural and engineering services	16,600	16,500	16,400	15,800	100	800
Scientific research and development services	11,500	11,400	11,400	10,900	100	600
Management of companies and enterprises	45,000	44,600	44,400	43,000	400	2,000
Administrative and waste services	58,100	57,200	57,000	58,100	900	0
Administrative and support services	53,900	53,100	52,900	53,900	800	0
Employment services	20,000	20,000	19,900	20,500	0	-500
Education and Health Services	246,600	247,200	246,600	242,300	-600	4,300
Educational services	53,900	54,300	53,500	52,900	-400	1,000
Colleges and universities	39,300	39,800	39,200	40,200	-500	-900
Health care and social assistance	192,700	192,900	193,100	189,400	-200	3,300
Ambulatory health care services	70,400	70,400	70,300	68,900	0	1,500
Offices of physicians	29,100	29,200	29,300	28,200	-100	900
Hospitals	50,400	50,600	50,800	49,800	-200	600
General medical and surgical hospitals	48,100	48,300	48,500	47,500	-200	600
Nursing and residential care facilities	31,200	31,200	31,400	31,100	0	100
Social assistance	40,700	40,700	40,600	39,600	0	1,100

Data benchmarked to March 2022

Data changes of 100 may be due to rounding

TABLE 2

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April 2023

NONFARM JOBS - NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

ESTABLISHMENT DATA	Industry Employment				Net Change From:	
	Apr 2023	Mar 2023	Feb 2023	Apr 2022	Mar 2023	Apr 2022
Leisure and Hospitality	114,600	110,000	106,300	109,500	4,600	5,100
Accommodation and food services	90,900	89,500	88,600	89,600	1,400	1,300
Food services and drinking places	83,700	82,800	82,100	82,900	900	800
Full-service restaurants	40,100	39,900	39,500	39,200	200	900
Limited-service eating places	33,300	32,900	32,400	33,400	400	-100
Other Services	46,700	46,700	46,600	45,800	0	900
Government	113,100	112,900	112,400	112,300	200	800
Federal Government	18,900	18,900	18,900	18,500	0	400
State Government	13,500	13,500	13,500	13,900	0	-400
Local Government	80,700	80,500	80,000	79,900	200	800
Local government educational services	47,500	47,700	47,200	47,100	-200	400
Local government excluding educational services	33,200	32,800	32,800	32,800	400	400
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**

April 2023

AREA	Industry Employment				Net Change From:	
	Apr 2023	Mar 2023	Feb 2023	Apr 2022	Mar 2023	Apr 2022
PENNSYLVANIA	6,117,100	6,106,100	6,096,400	5,960,800	11,000	156,300
Allentown-Bethlehem-Easton MSA	391,500	391,600	391,300	384,300	-100	7,200
Altoona MSA	61,100	61,000	61,100	59,900	100	1,200
Bloomsburg-Berwick MSA	43,700	43,800	43,700	42,800	-100	900
Chambersburg-Waynesboro MSA	62,300	62,000	62,100	61,500	300	800
East Stroudsburg MSA	58,600	58,200	58,000	57,400	400	1,200
Erie MSA	124,900	125,100	124,700	123,200	-200	1,700
Gettysburg MSA	34,500	34,400	34,500	33,500	100	1,000
Harrisburg-Carlisle MSA	361,600	361,700	362,200	351,200	-100	10,400
Johnstown MSA	51,300	51,300	51,500	50,800	0	500
Lancaster MSA	265,800	266,300	265,800	259,500	-500	6,300
Lebanon MSA	56,000	55,900	55,700	53,700	100	2,300
Philadelphia-Camden-Wilmington MSA	3,083,900	3,078,200	3,073,400	2,998,800	5,700	85,100
Montgomery-Bucks-Chester Metro Division	1,132,000	1,129,300	1,128,200	1,098,300	2,700	33,700
Philadelphia Metro Division	1,009,700	1,007,200	1,003,000	973,300	2,500	36,400
Philadelphia City	765,200	764,100	761,400	736,500	1,100	28,700
Pittsburgh MSA	1,167,900	1,167,800	1,167,500	1,144,000	100	23,900
Reading MSA	179,600	179,600	179,900	176,500	0	3,100
Scranton-Wilkes-Barre-Hazleton MSA	267,700	267,800	267,500	260,300	-100	7,400
State College MSA	79,300	79,100	78,900	76,100	200	3,200
Williamsport MSA	52,100	51,800	52,000	50,900	300	1,200
York-Hanover MSA	192,400	192,500	192,500	189,400	-100	3,000
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