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### **STATE COLLEGE MSA APRIL UNEMPLOYMENT RATE AT 3.3%**

**HARRISBURG (MAY 30) – The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for the State College Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) decreased two-tenth of a percentage point to 3.3 percent in April. 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 State College MSA increased 200 to 79,300 in April. Jobs in the local MSA increased 4.2 percent (+3,200) over the year, while statewide jobs increased 2.6 percent since last April.**

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

Three of the six published supersectors increased over the month. The government supersector rose by 400 and leisure and hospitality had a seasonal increase of 200. The other three published supersectors were essentially unchanged since March. Over the year, five of the six supersectors posted increases with the largest (+1,700) in the government supersector, followed by leisure and hospitality which added 300 since April of 2022.

**TABLE 1**  
**STATE COLLEGE METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA**  
(Centre County)

TOTAL CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT, UNEMPLOYMENT, AND UNEMPLOYMENT RATE  
BY PLACE OF RESIDENCE<sup>1</sup>

TIME PERIOD	CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE	EMPLOY- MENT <sup>2</sup>	UNEMPLOY- MENT	RATE (%) <sup>3</sup>	SEASONALLY ADJUSTED <sup>4</sup>			
					LABOR FORCE	EMPLOY- MENT <sup>2</sup>	UNEMPLOY- MENT	RATE (%) <sup>3</sup>
April 2023	79,500	77,700	1,900	2.4	79,100	76,500	2,600	3.3
March	79,400	77,200	2,300	2.9	79,100	76,300	2,700	3.5
February	79,400	76,500	2,900	3.6	79,000	76,200	2,800	3.6
April 2022	77,400	75,100	2,200	2.9	77,600	74,800	2,800	3.6

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

AREA NAME	CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE	EMPLOY- MENT <sup>2</sup>	UNEMPLOY- MENT	RATE (%) <sup>3</sup>	SEASONALLY ADJUSTED <sup>4</sup>			
					LABOR FORCE	EMPLOY- MENT <sup>2</sup>	UNEMPLOY- MENT	RATE (%) <sup>3</sup>
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**

- 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**

**STATE COLLEGE METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA**

(Centre County)

**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
<b>TOTAL NONFARM</b>	<b>80,500</b>	79,600	79,100	77,400	900	3,100
<b>TOTAL PRIVATE</b>	<b>47,300</b>	46,800	46,500	45,900	500	1,400
<b>GOODS-PRODUCING</b>	<b>8,100</b>	7,900	7,800	7,700	200	400
Manufacturing	<b>4,600</b>	4,600	4,600	4,500	0	100
<b>SERVICE-PROVIDING</b>	<b>72,400</b>	71,700	71,300	69,700	700	2,700
<b>PRIVATE SERVICE-PROVIDING</b>	<b>39,200</b>	38,900	38,700	38,200	300	1,000
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	<b>9,700</b>	9,700	9,600	9,700	0	0
Retail Trade	<b>7,600</b>	7,600	7,500	7,600	0	0
Professional and Business Services	<b>6,500</b>	6,400	6,400	6,400	100	100
Education and Health Services	<b>9,400</b>	9,500	9,400	9,300	-100	100
Leisure and Hospitality	<b>7,000</b>	6,800	6,900	6,700	200	300
<b>Government</b>	<b>33,200</b>	32,800	32,600	31,500	400	1,700
Federal Government	<b>500</b>	500	500	500	0	0
State Government	<b>28,500</b>	28,100	27,900	26,700	400	1,800
Local Government	<b>4,200</b>	4,200	4,200	4,300	0	-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**

**April 2023**

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

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