Hospitality, Leisure & Entertainment

Pennsylvania defines industry clusters to serve as the basis for data-driven workforce development policies. An industry cluster includes industries closely linked by common products, labor pools, technologies, supplier chains and training needs. They take on strategic importance for long-term economic planning as changes that benefit one group member will generally impact other members of the cluster.

Industry clusters are comprised of specific six-digit North American Industry Classification System, or NAICS, codes. They are mutually exclusive, so that no two clusters contain the same NAICS code. Currently, there are 12 clusters identified, along with several critical sub-clusters. Combined, these 12 industry clusters account for nearly 83 percent of all employment in the commonwealth.

Cluster Summary

The Hospitality, Leisure & Entertainment (HLE) cluster is comprised of industries that cater to tourism and recreation throughout the commonwealth. In addition to hotels and restaurants, this cluster includes casinos, golf courses, museums, racetracks, bowling centers and caterers. Many industries in this cluster are seasonal with part-time or tip-based employment. For that reason, wages are lower than other clusters and employment is much more volatile if analyzed on a quarterly basis.

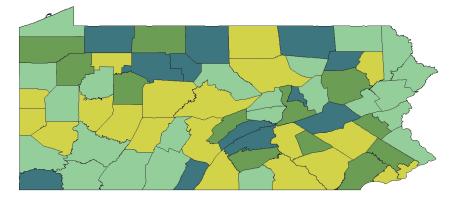
	2016	2019	2021
Employer Units	37,663	38,207	37,357
Number of Jobs	607,905	623,645	515,899
Percent of Total Pennsylvania Jobs	10.6%	10.5%	9.1%
Average Annual Wages	\$20,501	\$22,418	\$25,366
Location Quotient (LQ)	0.87	0.85	0.84
LQs greater than one suggest a co	ompetitive adva	ntage.	

Cluster employment has greatly decreased in Pennsylvania (15%) over the last five years. The state still maintains a Location Quotient (LQ) well below one, and the majority of Workforce Development Areas (WDAs) also have an LQ below one (as seen on page 3). While wages have increased (17.0%), the cluster still pays well below the statewide average for all jobs (\$64,700).

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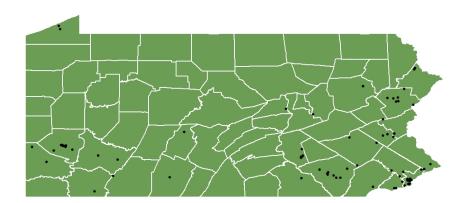
Percent Employment by County





Major Employers

- McDonalds
- GMRI Inc.
- Starbucks Corporation
- Aramark Campus LLC
- Dick's Sporting Goods LLC
- CMG Service Company LLC



Top Industries Based on Employment

- Full-Service Restaurants
- Limited-Service Restaurants
- Hotels & Motels, Except Casino Hotels
- Snack & Nonalcoholic Beverage Bars
- Food Service Contractors
- Fitness & Recreational Sports Centers
- Golf Courses & Country Clubs
- Drinking Places, Alcoholic Beverages
- Sporting Goods Stores
- All Other Amusement & Recreation Industries

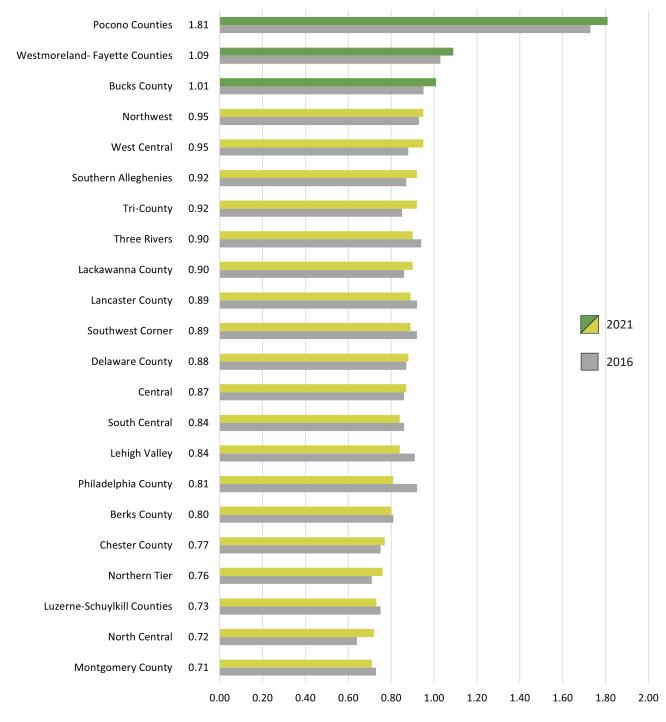
- Casinos, Except Casino Hotels
- Amusement & Theme Parks
- Caterers
- Gift, Novelty & Souvenir Stores
- Sports & Recreation Instruction
- Casino Hotels
- Sports Teams & Clubs
- Museums
- Hobby, Toy & Game Stores
- Promoters With Facilities

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Employment Concentration

A location quotient, or LQ, compares a cluster's share of local employment to its share of national employment. This value can be used when evaluating the strength of an industry cluster within an area. An LQ greater than one indicates that the cluster has, on average, more employees locally than typically expected implying a possible competitive advantage. Only the Pocono Counties, Westmoreland-Fayette Counties and Bucks County Workforce Development Areas (WDAs) have an LQ greater than one and are more competitive since 2016.

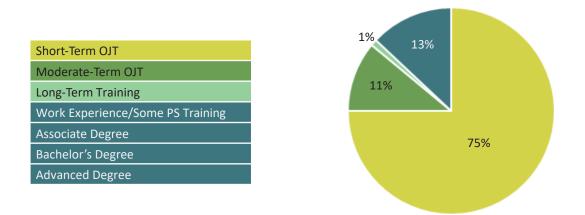


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Educational Requirements

This graph illustrates the minimum educational attainment levels for jobs found in this cluster's various industries. Approximately 75 percent of HLE jobs require less than three months of on-the-job training to enter employment. The lower educational attainment levels make gaining employment easier, but leads to increased turnover and lower wages.



Occupations with Significant Employment

The following table lists occupations that employ at least 5,200 people in the HLE cluster.

			Annual Demand		
SOC Code	Occupation	Average Wage	All Industries	Industry Cluster	
35-3023	Fast Food & Counter Workers	\$25,330	32,762	26,393	
35-3031	Waiters & Waitresses	\$30,520	15,343	14,528	
35-2014	Cooks, Restaurant	\$31,400	9,228	8,793	
35-1012	Supervisors- Food Preparation & Serving Workers	\$40,190	6,208	4,826	
35-3011	Bartenders	\$26,310	4,953	3,840	
35-9031	Hosts & Hostesses, Restaurant/Lounge/Coffee Shop	\$25,510	3,382	3,250	
35-9021	Dishwashers	\$26,400	3,045	2,477	
35-9011	Dining Room & Cafeteria Attendants & Helpers	\$26,170	2,658	2,352	
39-3091	Amusement & Recreation Attendants	\$24,300	2,470	2,268	
41-2031	Retail Salespersons	\$33,120	19,990	1,706	
41-2011	Cashiers	\$25,680	22,138	1,637	
37-2012	Maids & Housekeeping Cleaners	\$29,880	6,136	1,421	
39-9031	Exercise Trainers & Group Fitness Instructors	\$40,740	2,690	1,187	
43-4081	Hotel, Motel & Resort Desk Clerks	\$29,390	1,114	1,087	
35-2021	Food Preparation Workers	\$28,750	3,137	1,056	

*The 2022 average annual wage reflects wages across all industries and is not specific to the cluster.

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