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CHAMBERSBURG-WAYNESBORO MSA JANUARY UNEMPLOYMENT RATE 3.3%

HARRISBURG (MARCH 12) – The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for the Chambersburg-Waynesboro Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) was at 3.3 percent in January. (Note: All 2018 sub-state labor force data has not yet been benchmarked and is subject to revision). The Chambersburg-Waynesboro MSA’s unemployment rate was the fifth-lowest rate among the state’s 18 MSAs in January. The Gettysburg MSA had the lowest rate at 2.8 percent while the East Stroudsburg MSA had the highest at 4.8 percent. The seasonally adjusted unemployment rates for Pennsylvania and the United States were 4.1 percent and 4.0 percent, respectively.

Franklin County’s unemployment rate tied that of Bucks County as the 10th lowest among Pennsylvania’s 67 counties in January. Unemployment rates and rankings of neighboring counties were: Fulton (3.1%, t-7th); Huntingdon (5.0%, t-61st); Juniata (3.6%, t-20th); Perry (3.0%, t-5th); Cumberland (2.9%, t-3rd); and Adams (2.8%, t-1st). Unemployment rates across Pennsylvania ranged from 2.8 percent in Adams and Chester counties to 5.6 percent in Forest County.

The Chambersburg-Waynesboro MSA’s seasonally adjusted total nonfarm jobs were unchanged from December at 62,700, a record high. Over the year, jobs were up 3.0 percent (+1,800), while statewide jobs grew 0.8 percent.

Looking at industry detail (not seasonally adjusted), the largest gain was in leisure & hospitality, up 300 as winter recreational activities peaked. The largest decline was in trade, transportation & utilities, down 300 as the holiday shopping season came to an end.

*NOTE: Because the data included in each month’s press release (primarily civilian labor force and nonfarm jobs data) are sample based, the data are subject to revisions. Once each year, estimates are adjusted to new levels based on additional or revised information collected after the initial release of the data (called a benchmark). Additionally, seasonal adjustment factors for historical labor force and nonfarm jobs data are updated each year. Revisions to the nonfarm jobs series through 2018 have been completed and are reflected in the January news release. **Revisions to the historical labor force series have not been completed and are not yet reflected in the January news release.** Historical labor force revisions are expected to be completed by the release of March data on April 30, 2019. For more information on the benchmarking process and revisions to historical data please contact the Center for Workforce Information & Analysis at 1-877-4WF-DATA, or visit www.paworkstats.pa.gov.*

TABLE 1
CHAMBERSBURG-WAYNESBORO METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA
(Franklin 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/
January 2019	78,600	75,800	2,800	3.6	78,400	75,800	2,600	3.3
December 2018	77,600	75,100	2,600	3.3	77,800	75,100	2,800	3.5
November	77,200	74,700	2,500	3.2	77,500	74,700	2,700	3.5
January 2018	76,700	73,200	3,500	4.6	76,500	73,300	3,100	4.1

PENNSYLVANIA MAJOR LABOR MARKET AREAS, PENNSYLVANIA, AND UNITED STATES
January 2019

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	435,600	416,500	19,200	4.4	437,700	420,300	17,500	4.0
Altoona MSA	59,900	57,300	2,500	4.2	60,100	57,900	2,100	3.6
Bloomsburg-Berwick MSA	42,000	40,000	2,000	4.8	42,300	40,600	1,700	4.1
Chambersburg-Waynesboro MSA	78,600	75,800	2,800	3.6	78,400	75,800	2,600	3.3
East Stroudsburg MSA	82,600	78,400	4,200	5.1	82,400	78,400	3,900	4.8
Erie MSA	128,800	122,800	6,000	4.7	129,300	124,100	5,200	4.1
Gettysburg MSA	54,900	53,100	1,800	3.2	55,800	54,200	1,600	2.8
Harrisburg-Carlisle MSA	295,600	285,500	10,100	3.4	299,100	289,600	9,500	3.2
Johnstown MSA	57,900	54,900	3,000	5.2	58,500	55,900	2,600	4.5
Lancaster MSA	278,800	269,700	9,100	3.3	282,600	274,300	8,300	2.9
Lebanon MSA	71,000	68,400	2,600	3.7	71,500	69,100	2,500	3.4
Philadelphia MSA	3,097,300	2,970,200	127,000	4.1	3,117,200	2,997,500	119,700	3.8
Pittsburgh MSA	1,202,800	1,151,500	51,300	4.3	1,210,800	1,165,400	45,500	3.8
Reading MSA	212,300	203,600	8,700	4.1	213,500	205,500	8,000	3.7
Scranton--W-B--Hazleton MSA	275,300	260,700	14,600	5.3	277,000	264,300	12,700	4.6
State College MSA	79,600	77,000	2,500	3.2	80,300	77,900	2,400	3.0
Williamsport MSA	57,200	54,400	2,900	5.0	56,700	54,300	2,400	4.3
York-Hanover MSA	233,800	225,400	8,400	3.6	235,400	227,400	8,000	3.4
PENNSYLVANIA	6,425,000	6,154,000	272,000	4.2	6,460,000	6,194,000	266,000	4.1
UNITED STATES	162,104,000	154,964,000	7,140,000	4.4	163,229,000	156,694,000	6,535,000	4.0

ALL STATEWIDE AND CURRENT YEAR DATA ARE ON 2018 BENCHMARK; ALL OTHER 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

CHAMBERSBURG-WAYNESBORO METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA

(Franklin County)

January 2019

NONFARM JOBS - NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

ESTABLISHMENT DATA	Industry Employment				Net Change From:	
	Jan 2019	Dec 2018	Nov 2018	Jan 2018	Dec 2018	Jan 2018
TOTAL NONFARM	62,800	63,300	62,900	60,800	-500	2,000
TOTAL PRIVATE	55,000	55,400	54,900	53,000	-400	2,000
GOODS-PRODUCING	11,500	11,700	11,700	11,100	-200	400
Mining, Logging, and Construction	2,200	2,300	2,300	2,100	-100	100
Manufacturing	9,300	9,400	9,400	9,000	-100	300
SERVICE-PROVIDING	51,300	51,600	51,200	49,700	-300	1,600
PRIVATE SERVICE-PROVIDING	43,500	43,700	43,200	41,900	-200	1,600
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	15,600	15,900	15,900	15,000	-300	600
Wholesale Trade	1,600	1,600	1,600	1,500	0	100
Retail Trade	7,100	7,300	7,300	7,100	-200	0
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	6,900	7,000	7,000	6,400	-100	500
Professional and Business Services	6,300	6,500	6,600	5,900	-200	400
Education and Health Services	10,600	10,800	10,700	10,600	-200	0
Leisure and Hospitality	5,300	5,000	5,000	5,800	300	-500
Government	7,800	7,900	8,000	7,800	-100	0
Federal Government	2,200	2,300	2,300	2,200	-100	0
State Government	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	0	0
Local Government	4,600	4,600	4,700	4,600	0	0
Data benchmarked to March 2018	***Data changes of 100 may be due to rounding***					

TABLE 2A

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

January 2019

AREA	Industry Employment				Net Change From:	
	Jan 2019	Dec 2018	Nov 2018	Jan 2018	Dec 2018	Jan 2018
PENNSYLVANIA	6,030,200	6,030,700	6,022,100	5,984,700	-500	45,500
Allentown-Bethlehem-Easton MSA	376,500	377,100	377,100	372,700	-600	3,800
Altoona MSA	61,900	61,800	61,400	61,600	100	300
Bloomsburg-Berwick MSA	42,400	42,400	42,700	42,700	0	-300
Chambersburg-Waynesboro MSA	62,700	62,700	62,600	60,900	0	1,800
East Stroudsburg MSA	59,000	59,100	58,900	58,600	-100	400
Erie MSA	128,900	128,600	128,000	127,700	300	1,200
Gettysburg MSA	35,300	34,900	35,200	35,300	400	0
Harrisburg-Carlisle MSA	348,500	348,300	348,000	344,300	200	4,200
Johnstown MSA	54,200	54,500	54,200	54,800	-300	-600
Lancaster MSA	257,000	255,700	256,400	254,700	1,300	2,300
Lebanon MSA	53,600	53,200	53,400	52,900	400	700
Philadelphia-Camden-Wilmington MSA	2,961,000	2,957,200	2,952,200	2,925,800	3,800	35,200
Montgomery-Bucks-Chester Metro Division	1,077,700	1,078,000	1,077,100	1,067,800	-300	9,900
Philadelphia Metro Division	977,200	973,200	970,800	954,000	4,000	23,200
Philadelphia City	736,200	733,600	729,900	717,000	2,600	19,200
Pittsburgh MSA	1,191,600	1,191,700	1,191,600	1,182,300	-100	9,300
Reading MSA	180,000	180,300	180,000	179,100	-300	900
Scranton-Wilkes-Barre-Hazleton MSA	262,500	263,700	264,300	264,000	-1,200	-1,500
State College MSA	81,300	81,200	80,900	79,800	100	1,500
Williamsport MSA	53,300	52,900	52,600	54,100	400	-800
York-Hanover MSA	186,900	187,200	187,500	186,800	-300	100
Data benchmarked to March 2018	***Data changes of 100 may be due to rounding***					

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