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CHAMBERSBURG-WAYNESBORO MSA NOVEMBER UNEMPLOYMENT RATE 3.8%

HARRISBURG (JANUARY 2) – The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for the Chambersburg-Waynesboro Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) increased one-tenth of a percentage point in November to 3.8 percent. Over the year, the unemployment rate for the MSA was up three-tenths of a percentage point. The Chambersburg-Waynesboro MSA tied the Harrisburg-Carlisle and York-Hanover MSAs for the fourth-lowest unemployment rate among the state’s 18 MSAs. The Gettysburg and State College MSAs tied for the lowest rate at 3.2 percent, while the East Stroudsburg and Johnstown MSAs had the highest at 5.4 percent. The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for Pennsylvania rose one-tenth of a percentage point from October to 4.3 percent, while the United States was down one-tenth of a percentage point to 3.5 percent.

Franklin County’s unemployment rate tied Montgomery and York counties for the seventh-lowest rate among Pennsylvania’s 67 counties in November. Unemployment rates and rankings of neighboring counties were: Fulton (4.3%, t-14th); Huntingdon (6.3%, t-63rd); Juniata (4.3%, t-14th); Perry (4.1%, t-11th); Cumberland (3.7%, t-5th); and Adams (3.2%, t-1st). Unemployment rates across Pennsylvania ranged from 3.2 percent in Adams and Centre counties to 6.6 percent in Fayette County.

The Chambersburg-Waynesboro MSA’s *seasonally adjusted* total nonfarm jobs increased 200 from October to 63,600, a record high. Over the year, jobs were up 1.6 percent (+1,000), while statewide jobs grew 0.8 percent.

Looking at industry detail (not seasonally adjusted), over the month, trade, transportation, & utilities added 300 jobs, as retail trade (+200) and transportation, warehousing, & utilities (+100) entered the holiday shopping season. Over the year, four of the seven published supersectors were up and two were unchanged.

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 | EMPLOYMENT 2/ | UNEMPLOYMENT | RATE (%) 3/ | SEASONALLY ADJUSTED 4/ | | | |
|---------------|----------------------|---------------|--------------|-------------|------------------------|---------------|--------------|-------------|
| | | | | | LABOR FORCE | EMPLOYMENT 2/ | UNEMPLOYMENT | RATE (%) 3/ |
| November 2019 | 79,500 | 76,600 | 2,900 | 3.7 | 79,400 | 76,400 | 3,000 | 3.8 |
| October | 79,500 | 76,500 | 3,000 | 3.8 | 79,200 | 76,200 | 2,900 | 3.7 |
| September | 79,100 | 76,500 | 2,700 | 3.4 | 78,900 | 76,100 | 2,800 | 3.6 |
| November 2018 | 77,500 | 75,100 | 2,400 | 3.1 | 77,700 | 75,000 | 2,700 | 3.5 |

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

| AREA NAME | CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE | EMPLOYMENT 2/ | UNEMPLOYMENT | RATE (%) 3/ | SEASONALLY ADJUSTED 4/ | | | |
|---------------------------------|----------------------|---------------|--------------|-------------|------------------------|---------------|--------------|-------------|
| | | | | | LABOR FORCE | EMPLOYMENT 2/ | UNEMPLOYMENT | RATE (%) 3/ |
| Allentown-Beth.-East. PA-NJ MSA | 447,600 | 429,100 | 18,500 | 4.1 | 443,700 | 424,200 | 19,500 | 4.4 |
| Altoona MSA | 60,300 | 57,600 | 2,700 | 4.5 | 61,000 | 58,100 | 2,800 | 4.6 |
| Bloomsburg-Berwick MSA | 43,300 | 41,500 | 1,800 | 4.0 | 43,200 | 41,300 | 1,900 | 4.3 |
| Chambersburg-Waynesboro MSA | 79,500 | 76,600 | 2,900 | 3.7 | 79,400 | 76,400 | 3,000 | 3.8 |
| East Stroudsburg MSA | 83,600 | 79,100 | 4,500 | 5.3 | 83,600 | 79,100 | 4,500 | 5.4 |
| Erie MSA | 130,800 | 125,000 | 5,900 | 4.5 | 130,700 | 124,700 | 5,900 | 4.5 |
| Gettysburg MSA | 55,500 | 53,800 | 1,700 | 3.1 | 55,800 | 53,900 | 1,800 | 3.2 |
| Harrisburg-Carlisle MSA | 300,800 | 289,800 | 11,000 | 3.6 | 300,300 | 288,800 | 11,500 | 3.8 |
| Johnstown MSA | 59,300 | 56,200 | 3,000 | 5.1 | 59,200 | 56,000 | 3,200 | 5.4 |
| Lancaster MSA | 284,700 | 275,300 | 9,400 | 3.3 | 285,800 | 275,800 | 10,100 | 3.5 |
| Lebanon MSA | 72,900 | 70,100 | 2,700 | 3.8 | 73,000 | 70,200 | 2,900 | 3.9 |
| Philadelphia MSA | 3,165,000 | 3,039,400 | 125,600 | 4.0 | 3,150,800 | 3,021,600 | 129,200 | 4.1 |
| Pittsburgh MSA | 1,217,300 | 1,165,500 | 51,800 | 4.3 | 1,213,700 | 1,161,500 | 52,200 | 4.3 |
| Reading MSA | 217,200 | 208,000 | 9,200 | 4.2 | 217,400 | 207,800 | 9,600 | 4.4 |
| Scranton-W-B--Hazleton MSA | 279,900 | 265,400 | 14,500 | 5.2 | 278,300 | 263,700 | 14,600 | 5.2 |
| State College MSA | 84,400 | 81,800 | 2,600 | 3.1 | 82,200 | 79,600 | 2,600 | 3.2 |
| Williamsport MSA | 57,600 | 54,900 | 2,700 | 4.6 | 57,600 | 54,800 | 2,800 | 4.8 |
| York-Hanover MSA | 237,200 | 228,400 | 8,800 | 3.7 | 236,500 | 227,500 | 9,100 | 3.8 |
| PENNSYLVANIA | 6,542,000 | 6,264,000 | 279,000 | 4.3 | 6,534,000 | 6,252,000 | 282,000 | 4.3 |
| UNITED STATES | 164,386,000 | 158,945,000 | 5,441,000 | 3.3 | 164,404,000 | 158,593,000 | 5,811,000 | 3.5 |

ALL DATA ARE ON 2018 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)

November 2019

NONFARM JOBS - NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

| ESTABLISHMENT DATA | Industry Employment | | | | Net Change From: | |
|--|--|----------|----------|----------|------------------|----------|
| | Nov 2019 | Oct 2019 | Sep 2019 | Nov 2018 | Oct 2019 | Nov 2018 |
| TOTAL NONFARM | 64,000 | 63,600 | 63,100 | 62,900 | 400 | 1,100 |
| TOTAL PRIVATE | 56,000 | 55,600 | 55,000 | 54,900 | 400 | 1,100 |
| GOODS-PRODUCING | 11,400 | 11,400 | 11,100 | 11,700 | 0 | -300 |
| Mining, Logging, and Construction | 2,400 | 2,400 | 2,400 | 2,300 | 0 | 100 |
| Manufacturing | 9,000 | 9,000 | 8,700 | 9,400 | 0 | -400 |
| SERVICE-PROVIDING | 52,600 | 52,200 | 52,000 | 51,200 | 400 | 1,400 |
| PRIVATE SERVICE-PROVIDING | 44,600 | 44,200 | 43,900 | 43,200 | 400 | 1,400 |
| Trade, Transportation, and Utilities | 16,200 | 15,900 | 15,800 | 15,900 | 300 | 300 |
| Wholesale Trade | 1,600 | 1,600 | 1,600 | 1,600 | 0 | 0 |
| Retail Trade | 7,300 | 7,100 | 7,000 | 7,300 | 200 | 0 |
| Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities | 7,300 | 7,200 | 7,200 | 7,000 | 100 | 300 |
| Professional and Business Services | 6,800 | 6,800 | 6,600 | 6,600 | 0 | 200 |
| Education and Health Services | 10,900 | 10,900 | 10,800 | 10,700 | 0 | 200 |
| Leisure and Hospitality | 5,000 | 5,100 | 5,100 | 5,000 | -100 | 0 |
| Government | 8,000 | 8,000 | 8,100 | 8,000 | 0 | 0 |
| Federal Government | 2,300 | 2,300 | 2,300 | 2,300 | 0 | 0 |
| State Government | 1,100 | 1,100 | 1,100 | 1,000 | 0 | 100 |
| Local Government | 4,600 | 4,600 | 4,700 | 4,700 | 0 | -100 |
| 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**

November 2019

| AREA | Industry Employment | | | | Net Change From: | | |
|---|--|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------------|----------|--|
| | Nov 2019 | Oct 2019 | Sep 2019 | Nov 2018 | Oct 2019 | Nov 2018 | |
| PENNSYLVANIA | 6,070,500 | 6,061,000 | 6,051,300 | 6,022,100 | 9,500 | 48,400 | |
| Allentown-Bethlehem-Easton MSA | 382,500 | 379,600 | 377,400 | 377,100 | 2,900 | 5,400 | |
| Altoona MSA | 61,800 | 62,200 | 62,000 | 61,400 | -400 | 400 | |
| Bloomsburg-Berwick MSA | 43,200 | 43,100 | 43,100 | 42,700 | 100 | 500 | |
| Chambersburg-Waynesboro MSA | 63,600 | 63,400 | 63,200 | 62,600 | 200 | 1,000 | |
| East Stroudsburg MSA | 59,700 | 59,500 | 59,200 | 58,900 | 200 | 800 | |
| Erie MSA | 128,400 | 128,700 | 128,400 | 128,000 | -300 | 400 | |
| Gettysburg MSA | 35,400 | 35,400 | 35,400 | 35,200 | 0 | 200 | |
| Harrisburg-Carlisle MSA | 349,700 | 347,400 | 345,600 | 348,000 | 2,300 | 1,700 | |
| Johnstown MSA | 54,700 | 54,700 | 54,900 | 54,200 | 0 | 500 | |
| Lancaster MSA | 259,300 | 257,700 | 257,600 | 256,400 | 1,600 | 2,900 | |
| Lebanon MSA | 54,500 | 54,700 | 54,500 | 53,400 | -200 | 1,100 | |
| Philadelphia-Camden-Wilmington MSA | 2,981,500 | 2,980,000 | 2,985,600 | 2,952,200 | 1,500 | 29,300 | |
| Montgomery-Bucks-Chester Metro Division | 1,085,400 | 1,085,800 | 1,091,100 | 1,077,100 | -400 | 8,300 | |
| Philadelphia Metro Division | 988,500 | 985,600 | 985,000 | 970,800 | 2,900 | 17,700 | |
| Philadelphia City | 745,800 | 743,700 | 742,900 | 729,900 | 2,100 | 15,900 | |
| Pittsburgh MSA | 1,187,400 | 1,188,900 | 1,189,700 | 1,191,600 | -1,500 | -4,200 | |
| Reading MSA | 182,300 | 182,300 | 182,000 | 180,000 | 0 | 2,300 | |
| Scranton-Wilkes-Barre-Hazleton MSA | 262,300 | 264,200 | 262,400 | 264,300 | -1,900 | -2,000 | |
| State College MSA | 81,900 | 82,000 | 82,700 | 80,900 | -100 | 1,000 | |
| Williamsport MSA | 53,400 | 53,500 | 53,500 | 52,600 | -100 | 800 | |
| York-Hanover MSA | 188,100 | 187,500 | 187,300 | 187,500 | 600 | 600 | |
| Data benchmarked to March 2018 | ***Data changes of 100 may be due to rounding*** | | | | | | |

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