

Selected BLS Economic Indicators



Harrisburg-Carlisle

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This fact sheet presents recent **employment and unemployment, price, and earnings data** for Pennsylvania, Harrisburg-Carlisle Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA), and the United States. The **Consumer Price Index (CPI)** measures price changes, or inflation, for particular commodities and services at the retail level. The **Producer Price Index (PPI)** measures price changes, or inflation, for particular commodities and services at the wholesale level and is widely used by business firms as an escalator in long-term contracts. The **Employment Cost Index (ECI)** measures price changes, or inflation, of labor costs which includes wages and salaries and employer costs for employee benefits. The earnings data are from the **Occupational Employment Statistics (OES)**.

Consumer Price Index (1982-84) = 100	June 2007	June 2008	Percent change
All Urban Consumers (CPI-U)			
U.S. City Average	208.352	218.815	5.0
Northeast	221.579	232.649	5.0
Northeast (size class B/C)*	130.893	138.542	5.8
Urban Wage Earners & Clerical Workers (CPI-W)			
U.S. City Average	203.906	215.223	5.6
Northeast	217.794	229.829	5.5
Northeast (size class B/C)*	131.234	139.286	6.1
Producer Price Index, U.S. (1982 = 100)	June 2007	June 2008	Percent change
Finished goods	167.2	182.5	9.2
All commodities	173.8	200.7	15.5
Industrial commodities	176.4	204.2	15.8

*Northeastern cities with populations from 50,000 to 1,500,000 (December 1996=100)
Most recent PPI numbers are preliminary.

Employment Cost Index (December 2005) = 100	2nd Qtr. 2007	2nd Qtr. 2008	Percent change
Total Compensation-Private Industry Workers			
United States	104.9	108.0	3.0
Northeast	105.1	108.1	2.9
Middle Atlantic	105.3	108.6	3.1
Occupational Wages Selected Occupations	Mean Hourly Earnings May 2007		
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Total, all occupations	\$18.84		
Education, training, and library	21.80		
Office and administrative support	15.14		
Construction and extraction	19.24		
Sales and related	16.86		
Healthcare practitioner and technical	28.34		
Food preparation and serving related	9.35		
Production	15.32		
Installation, maintenance, and repair	19.19		
Transportation and material moving	15.27		

Unemployment levels, age 16 years and over (not seasonally adjusted, in thousands)

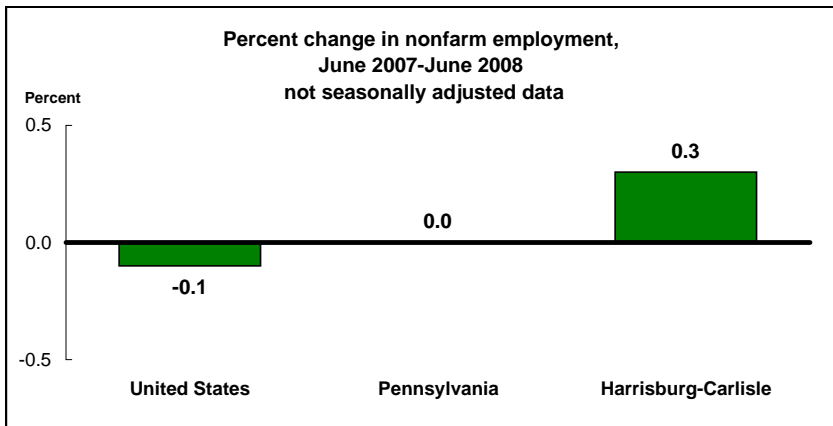
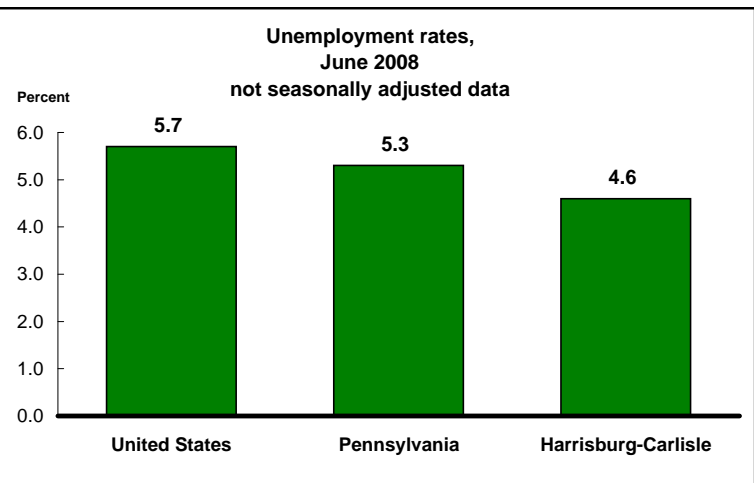
Area	June 2007	June 2008	Net change	Percent change
United States	7,295	8,933	1,638	22.5
Pennsylvania	282.3	344.7	62.4	22.1
Harrisburg-Carlisle	10.7	13.5	2.8	26.4

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Nonfarm payroll employment (not seasonally adjusted, in thousands)

Area	June 2007	June 2008	Net change	Percent change
United States	138,791	138,694	-97	-0.1
Pennsylvania	5,854.2	5,852.7	-1.5	0.0
Harrisburg-Carlisle	336.1	337.0	0.9	0.3

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The Harrisburg-Carlisle, Pa. Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) includes Cumberland, Dauphin, and Perry Counties in Pennsylvania.