

Establishment data from the Current Employment Statistics program		Allentown-Bethlehem-Easton, Pa.-N.J. MSA not seasonally adjusted data												Annual Avg
		Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	
<b>Total nonfarm (000)</b>	2007	336.7	337.0	341.8	343.6	348.0	350.5	342.5	342.2	346.0	346.5	346.3	346.4	<b>344.0</b>
	2008	339.1	338.5	341.8	344.3	347.8	349.1	341.7	341.3					
<b>Natural resources, mining and construction</b>	2007	15.6	14.9	15.4	16.2	17.0	17.5	17.7	17.8	17.4	17.2	17.0	16.7	<b>16.7</b>
	2008	16.0	15.6	15.7	16.3	16.8	17.2	17.4	17.5					
<b>Manufacturing</b>	2007	39.9	40.0	40.3	40.0	40.0	40.3	39.7	39.6	39.8	39.6	39.4	39.3	<b>39.8</b>
	2008	38.9	38.7	38.9	38.9	38.9	39.1	38.4	38.3					
<b>Trade, transportation, and utilities</b>	2007	70.3	68.9	69.3	69.4	70.1	70.8	70.1	69.7	69.5	69.6	70.8	71.2	<b>70.0</b>
	2008	68.8	67.1	67.2	67.6	68.2	68.4	67.8	67.7					
<b>Information</b>	2007	7.4	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.4	7.5	7.4	7.4	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.3	<b>7.4</b>
	2008	7.2	7.2	7.2	7.2	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.3					
<b>Financial activities</b>	2007	16.3	16.4	16.4	16.3	16.3	16.5	16.5	16.5	16.4	16.4	16.4	16.3	<b>16.4</b>
	2008	16.2	16.1	16.2	16.2	16.2	16.4	16.4	16.4					
<b>Professional and business services</b>	2007	42.7	42.6	43.1	43.6	43.7	44.4	44.1	43.7	43.9	43.8	43.5	43.4	<b>43.5</b>
	2008	42.2	41.9	42.2	42.6	42.8	43.5	43.4	43.2					
<b>Education and health services</b>	2007	60.6	61.6	63.3	63.2	63.0	61.3	61.0	61.9	63.1	63.9	64.0	63.9	<b>62.6</b>
	2008	63.2	64.2	65.5	65.5	65.3	63.7	63.5	63.8					
<b>Leisure and hospitality</b>	2007	27.6	27.8	28.7	29.4	31.5	33.6	33.1	33.0	31.2	30.2	28.9	28.9	<b>30.3</b>
	2008	28.8	28.8	29.5	30.3	32.2	33.6	33.4	33.4					
<b>Other services</b>	2007	14.8	14.8	15.1	15.1	15.3	15.4	15.6	15.5	15.3	15.3	15.3	15.4	<b>15.2</b>
	2008	15.1	15.2	15.4	15.5	15.7	15.9	16.0	15.8					
<b>Government</b>	2007	41.5	42.7	42.9	43.1	43.7	43.2	37.3	37.1	42.1	43.2	43.7	44.0	<b>42.0</b>
	2008	42.7	43.7	44.0	44.2	44.4	44.0	38.1	37.9					
<b>Labor Force data from the Local Area Unemployment Statistics program</b>														
<b>Labor Force</b>	2007	412210	409447	412104	408878	412549	419995	419473	417148	414397	411952	413755	413076	<b>413749</b>
	2008	<b>416110</b>	<b>412959</b>	<b>413638</b>	413817	419203	423662	421459	422606					
<b>Employment</b>	2007	391773	389636	393644	392466	395404	401745	400263	399345	397613	395290	396775	395202	<b>395763</b>
	2008	<b>392852</b>	<b>388785</b>	<b>390513</b>	392822	396455	399792	397328	397048					
<b>Unemployment</b>	2007	20437	19811	18460	16412	17145	18250	19210	17803	16784	16662	16980	17874	<b>17986</b>
	2008	<b>23258</b>	<b>24174</b>	<b>23125</b>	20995	22748	23870	24131	25558					
<b>Unemployment Rate</b>	2007	5.0	4.8	4.5	4.0	4.2	4.3	4.6	4.3	4.1	4.0	4.1	4.3	<b>4.3</b>
	2008	<b>5.6</b>	<b>5.9</b>	<b>5.6</b>	5.1	5.4	5.6	5.7	6.0					

Data for the most recent month for the Current Employment Statistics program are preliminary.

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