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# **Johnstown**



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This fact sheet presents recent employment and unemployment, price, and pay data for Pennsylvania, the Johnstown 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. An occupational pay relative is a calculation of pay (wages, salaries, commission, and production bonuses) for a given metropolitan area relative to the nation as a whole; the calculation controls for differences among areas in occupational composition, establishment and occupational characteristics, and the fact that data are collected for areas at different times during the year.

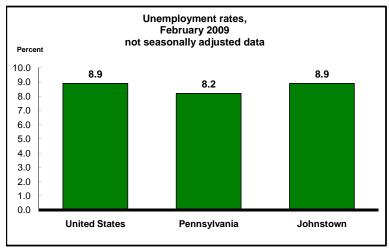
Consumer Price Index (1982-84) = 100	March 2008	March 2009	Percent change
All Urban Consumers (CPI-U)			
U.S. City Average	213.528	212.709	-0.4
Northeast	226.926	227.309	0.2
Northeast (size class B/C)*	134.611	134.411	-0.1
Urban Wage Earners & Clerical Workers (CPI-W)			
U.S. City Average	209.147	207.218	-0.9
Northeast	223.209	223.626	0.2
Northeast (size class B/C)*	134.846	134.558	-0.2
Producer Price Index, U.S.	March	March	Percent
(1982 = 100)	2008	2009	change
Finished goods	175.1	168.9	-3.5
All commodities	187.9	168.1	-10.5
Industrial commodities	190.2	169.5	-10.9

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

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

Area	February 2008	February 2009	Net change	Percent change
Inited States	7,953	13,699	5,746	72.2
Pennsylvania	333.6	527.0	193.4	58.0
Johnstown	4.3	6.1	1.8	42.0

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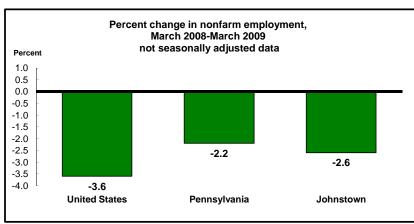
Employment Cost Index	4th Qtr.	4th Qtr.	Percent
(December 2005) = 100	2007	2008	change
Total Compensation-Private Industry Workers			
United States	106.3	108.9	2.4
Northeast	106.8	109.5	2.5
Middle Atlantic	107.1	109.5	2.2
Occupational Pay Relatives		July 2007	
(United States = 100)		July 2007	
Johnstown			
All Occupations		85 *	
Management, business, and financial		79 *	
Professional and related		85 *	
Service		87 *	
Sales and related		86 *	
Office and adminstrative support		84 *	
Construction and extraction		96 *	
Installation, maintenance, and repair		89 *	
Production		84 *	
Transportation and material moving		86 *	

The pay relative for this area is significantly different from the national average of all areas at the 10 percent level of significance.

### Nonfarm payroll employment

(not seasonally adjusted, in thousands)				
Area	March 2008	March 2009	Net change	Percent change
United States	136,944	132,072	-4,872	-3.6
Pennsylvania	5,761.0	5,634.0	-127.0	-2.2
Johnstown	61.8	60.2	-1.6	-2.6

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The Johnstown, Pa. Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) includes Cambria County in Pennsylvania.

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