

Selected BLS Economic Indicators Philadelphia Metropolitan Division



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This fact sheet presents recent **employment and unemployment, price, and pay data** for Pennsylvania, the Philadelphia-Camden-Wilmington Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA), the Philadelphia Metropolitan Division (MD), 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)**.

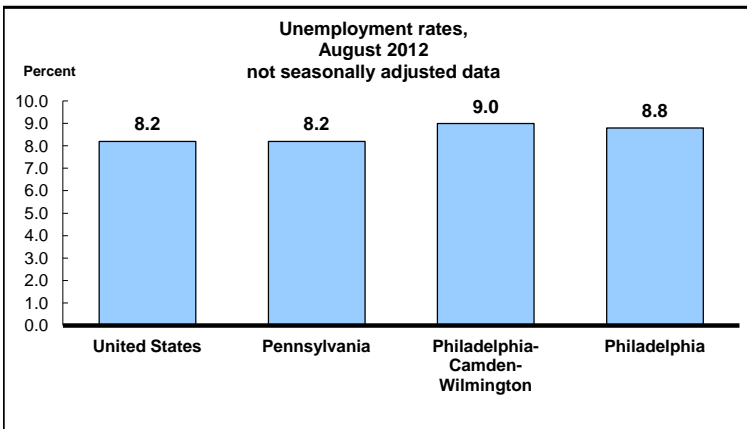
Consumer Price Index (1982-84) = 100	August 2011	August 2012	Percent change
All Urban Consumers (CPI-U)			
U.S. City Average	226.545	230.379	1.7
Northeast	243.033	246.252	1.3
Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City	236.196	239.557	1.4
Urban Wage Earners & Clerical Workers (CPI-W)			
U.S. City Average	223.326	227.056	1.7
Northeast	241.431	244.813	1.4
Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City	236.583	240.408	1.6
Producer Price Index, U.S. (1982 = 100)	August 2011	August 2012	Percent change
Finished goods	191.7	195.5	2.0
All commodities	203.2	202.6	-0.3
Industrial commodities	203.7	202.0	-0.8

Most recent PPI numbers are preliminary.

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

Area	August 2011	August 2012	Net change	Percent change
United States	14,008	12,696	-1,312	-9.4
Pennsylvania	527.8	537.8	10.0	1.9
Philadelphia-Camden-Wilmington	266.4	271.5	5.1	1.9
Philadelphia	171.9	175.2	3.3	1.9

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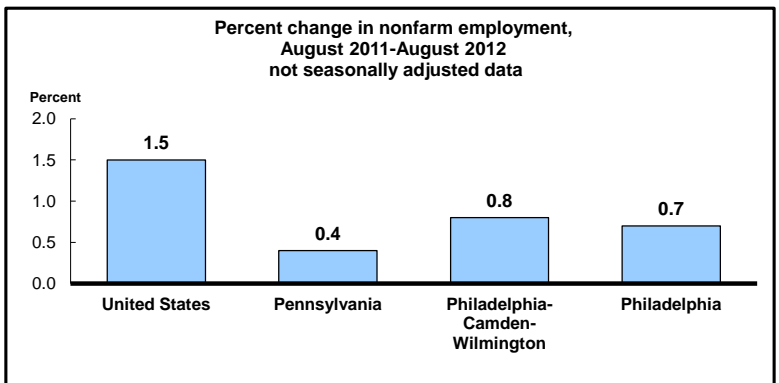


Employment Cost Index (December 2005) = 100	2nd Qtr. 2011	2nd Qtr. 2012	Percent change
Total Compensation-Private Industry Workers			
United States	114.3	116.4	1.8
Northeast	115.3	117.1	1.6
Middle Atlantic	115.1	117.0	1.7
Occupational Wages Selected Occupations	Mean Hourly Earnings May 2011		
Philadelphia Metropolitan Division			
Total, all occupations	\$24.21		
Education, training, and library	27.15		
Office and administrative support	18.08		
Construction and extraction	25.40		
Sales and related	21.86		
Healthcare practitioners and technical	36.09		
Food preparation and serving related	11.47		
Production	18.62		
Installation, maintenance, and repair	21.79		
Transportation and material moving	17.12		

Nonfarm payroll employment (not seasonally adjusted, in thousands)

Area	August 2011	August 2012	Net change	Percent change
United States	131,278	133,223	1,945	1.5
Pennsylvania	5,661.8	5,683.9	22.1	0.4
Philadelphia-Camden-Wilmington	2,674.9	2,696.1	21.2	0.8
Philadelphia	1,847.9	1,860.2	12.3	0.7

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The Philadelphia, Pa. Metropolitan Division (MD) includes Bucks, Chester, Delaware, Montgomery, and Philadelphia Counties in Pennsylvania.

The Philadelphia-Camden-Wilmington, Pa.-N.J.-Del.-Md., Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) includes Bucks, Chester, Delaware, Montgomery, and Philadelphia Counties in Pennsylvania; Burlington, Camden, Gloucester, and Salem Counties in New Jersey; New Castle County in Delaware; and Cecil County in Maryland.

The Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City Consolidated Metropolitan Statistical Area (CMSA) includes all counties in the Philadelphia-Camden-Wilmington MSA and the counties of Atlantic, Cape May, and Cumberland in New Jersey.

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