

Selected BLS Economic Indicators Lancaster



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This fact sheet presents recent **employment and unemployment, price, and earnings data** for Pennsylvania, the Lancaster, PA 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	December 2010	December 2011	Percent change
All Urban Consumers (CPI-U)			
U.S. City Average	219.179	225.672	3.0
Northeast	235.141	241.987	2.9
Northeast (size class B/C)*	140.351	145.062	3.4
Urban Wage Earners & Clerical Workers (CPI-W)			
U.S. City Average	215.262	222.166	3.2
Northeast	233.082	240.431	3.2
Northeast (size class B/C)*	141.598	146.432	3.4
Producer Price Index, U.S. (1982 = 100)	December 2010	December 2011	Percent change
Finished goods	182.6	191.3	4.8
All commodities	189.7	200.2	5.5
Industrial commodities	191.3	201.1	5.1

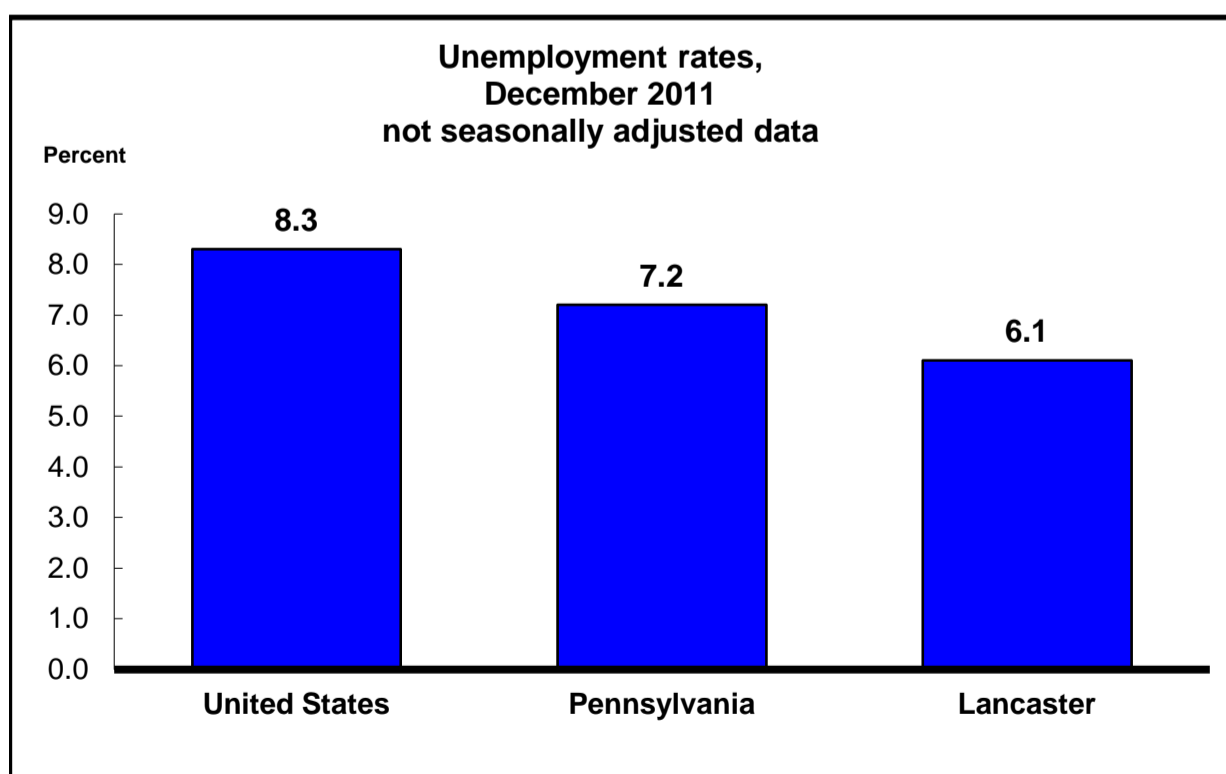
*Northeastern cities with populations from 50,000 to 1,500,000 (December 1996=100)
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Employment Cost Index (December 2005) = 100	4th Qtr. 2010	4th Qtr. 2011	Percent change
Total Compensation-Private Industry Workers			
United States	112.5	115.0	2.2
Northeast	113.6	116.1	2.2
Middle Atlantic	113.4	116.0	2.3
Occupational Wages Selected Occupations	Mean Hourly Earnings May 2010		
Lancaster			
Total, all occupations		\$18.81	
Education, training, and library		25.26	
Office and administrative support		15.38	
Construction and extraction		19.33	
Sales and related		16.57	
Healthcare practitioner and technical		34.33	
Food preparation and serving related		10.25	
Production		16.27	
Installation, maintenance, and repair		19.73	
Transportation and material moving		15.04	

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

Area	December 2010	December 2011	Net change	Percent change
United States	13,997	12,692	-1,305	-9.3
Pennsylvania	509.7	457.1	-52.6	-10.3
Lancaster	17.9	15.9	-2.0	-11.0

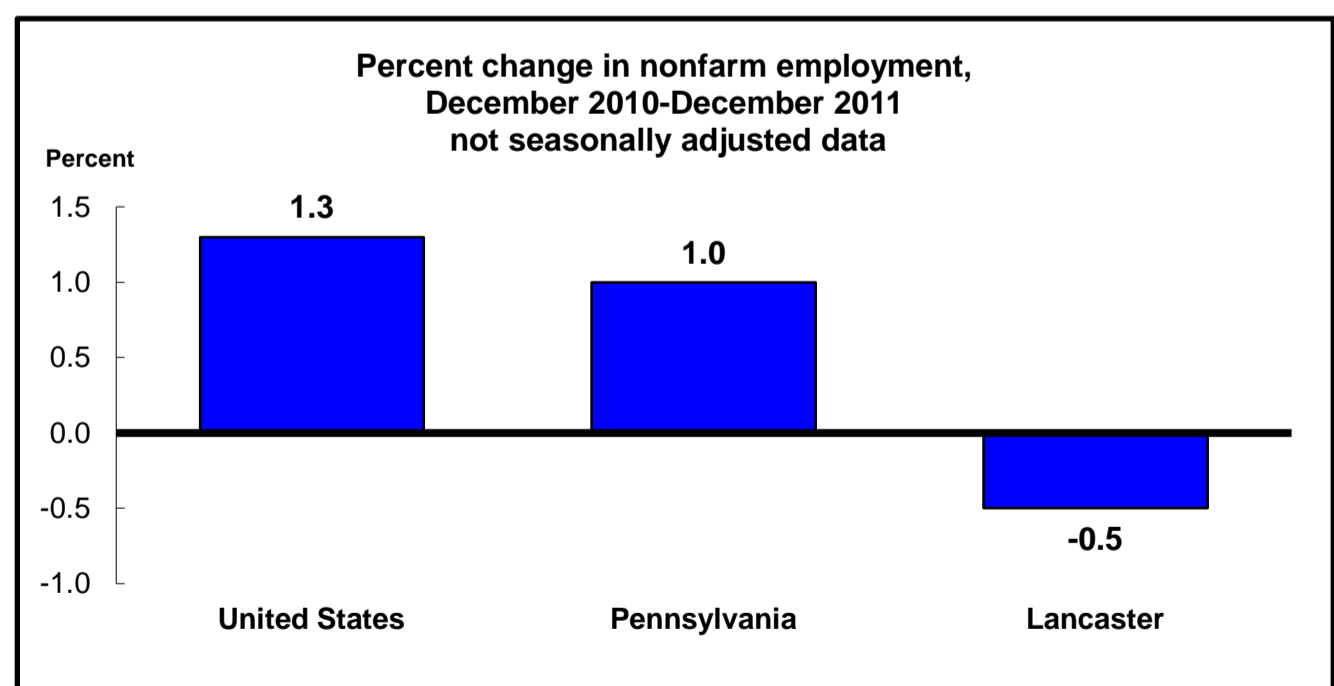
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Nonfarm payroll employment (not seasonally adjusted, in thousands)

Area	December 2010	December 2011	Net change	Percent change
United States	131,185	132,952	1,767	1.3
Pennsylvania	5,681.5	5,740.3	58.8	1.0
Lancaster	228.8	227.6	-1.2	-0.5

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

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