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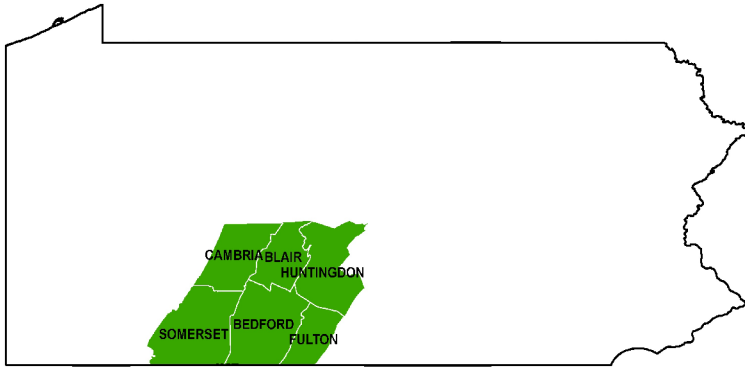
Workforce Development Area (WDA) Unemployment, Jan 2014 to Sep 2024

PA Max: 16.1%   PA Min: 3.2%

WDA Max: 17.2%   WDA Min: 2.8%

Legend: PA — — — | Southern Alleghenies ——— | Recession ▨

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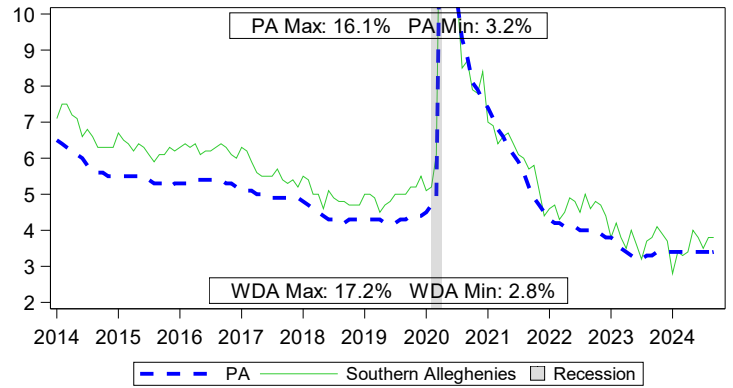
2022 Population		
Demographic	**WDA**	**PA**
Total Population	435,986	12,989,208
Female	215,525	6,578,442
Male	220,461	6,410,766
Population by Race		
White	93.5%	77.1%
Black	2.6%	10.8%
Other	3.9%	12.1%
Hispanic Origin (all races)	1.6%	8.1%
Population by Age		
Ages 0 to 17	19.1%	20.5%
Ages 18 to 24	8.4%	9.2%
Ages 25 to 34	11.2%	13.1%
Ages 35 to 44	11.3%	12.1%
Ages 45 to 54	12.8%	12.4%
Ages 55 to 64	15.0%	14.0%
Ages 65 to 74	12.7%	10.8%
Ages 75 and Older	9.6%	7.9%
Educational Attainment, Ages 18 and Older		
High School Diploma or Less	54.6%	42.5%
Some College or Associate Degree	26.0%	26.1%
Bachelor's Degree	13.1%	19.3%
Graduate or Professional Degree	6.3%	12.1%

Source: U.S. Census-2022 ACS 5-Year Estimates - DP05, B01001, and B15001

Local Area Unemployment Statistics		
Sep 2024	**WDA**	**PA**
Unemployment Rate	3.8%	3.4%
Labor Force	197,200	6,556,000
Employed	189,800	6,334,000
Unemployed	7,500	222,000

Notes: Current month's data are preliminary. Data are Seasonally Adjusted.

Top 10 Employers by Employment in Q1 of 2024
State Government
Wal-Mart Associates Inc
Federal Government
Sheetz Inc
DLP Partner Conemaugh LLC
JLG Industries Inc
UPMC Altoona
Altoona Area School District
VR US Holdings Inc
Sheetz Distribution Services LLC

Source: Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages

Online Job Postings	WDA	PA
September 2024	4,295	230,491
September 2023	2,628	185,665
Annual Percent Change	63.4%	24.1%
Annual Volume Change	1,667	44,826

Source: The Conference Board - LightCast - Help Wanted OnLine ™

Unemployment Compensation (UC) by Pre-UC Industry	Oct 2023 to Sep 2024				Sep 2024 Initial (IC) and Continued (CC) UC Claims							
	Exhaustees		**Exh. Percent**		**IC Total**		**IC Percent**		**CC Total**		**CC Percent**	
	WDA	**PA**	**WDA**	**PA**	**WDA**	**PA**	**WDA**	**PA**	**WDA**	**PA**	**WDA**	**PA**
Natural Resources and Mining	40	540	3.0%	1.0%	60	370	5.0%	1.0%	250	3,380	2.5%	1.0%
Construction	240	7,100	17.0%	11.5%	260	5,030	22.5%	15.0%	1,260	34,030	12.5%	8.5%
Manufacturing	180	7,020	13.0%	11.5%	200	4,810	17.5%	14.5%	1,740	50,550	17.0%	12.5%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	280	11,480	20.0%	19.0%	180	6,060	16.0%	18.0%	2,140	82,510	21.0%	20.5%
Information	10	1,500	0.5%	2.5%	20	520	2.0%	1.5%	210	8,030	2.0%	2.0%
Financial Activities	50	3,330	3.5%	5.5%	30	1,290	2.0%	4.0%	310	21,110	3.0%	5.5%
Professional and Business Services	240	12,530	17.0%	20.5%	130	4,990	11.5%	15.0%	1,380	73,720	13.5%	18.5%
Education and Health Service	190	9,140	13.5%	15.0%	140	5,110	12.0%	15.5%	1,750	73,600	17.0%	18.5%
Leisure and Hospitality	110	4,570	8.0%	7.5%	60	2,610	5.0%	8.0%	570	30,570	5.5%	7.5%
Other Services	30	1,660	2.0%	2.5%	20	780	2.0%	2.5%	250	11,180	2.5%	3.0%
Public Administration	30	1,150	2.0%	2.0%	10	300	1.0%	1.0%	180	3,760	1.5%	1.0%
Unclassified Industry	10	520	0.5%	1.0%	30	1,510	3.0%	4.5%	200	8,460	2.0%	2.0%
Total	1,410	60,540	100%	100%	1,130	33,380	100%	100%	10,230	400,890	100%	100%

Notes: Percentages less than 0.5% will be displayed as 0.0%. Percentages may not sum to 100% due to rounding.
Claims data are not comparable to claims data released in any other report.

Source: Pennsylvania Unemployment Compensation System

Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages, 2023 Annual Averages

NAICS	NAICS Description	Estab. WDA	LQ	Employment WDA	Employment PA	Employment % WDA	Employment % PA	Wages WDA	Wages PA
	Total, All Industries	11,185	1.00	162,740	5,963,025	100.0%	100.0%	$49,306	$69,252
11	Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	162	1.87	1,389	27,249	0.9%	0.5%	$37,853	$44,014
21	Mining, Quarrying, and Oil & Gas	51	2.31	1,395	22,118	0.9%	0.4%	$85,428	$101,711
22	Utilities	115	1.24	1,154	34,054	0.7%	0.6%	$75,322	$110,867
23	Construction	933	1.08	7,902	268,718	4.9%	4.5%	$59,710	$77,927
31-33	Manufacturing	504	1.27	19,674	566,896	12.1%	9.5%	$59,526	$74,597
42	Wholesale Trade	412	0.84	4,950	216,986	3.0%	3.6%	$60,786	$99,656
44-45	Retail Trade	1,490	1.27	20,804	601,132	12.8%	10.1%	$32,377	$36,721
48-49	Transportation and Warehousing	536	1.06	10,040	345,491	6.2%	5.8%	$55,359	$59,247
51	Information	131	0.61	1,595	96,556	1.0%	1.6%	$50,215	$119,947
52	Finance and Insurance	534	0.54	3,989	273,127	2.5%	4.6%	$69,677	$118,105
53	Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	267	0.57	1,056	67,704	0.6%	1.1%	$45,777	$74,573
54	Professional and Technical Services	623	0.47	5,093	398,002	3.1%	6.7%	$68,091	$117,065
55	Management of Companies and Enterprises	87	ND	ND	147,596	ND	2.5%	ND	$153,152
56	Administrative and Waste Services	435	0.67	5,566	303,622	3.4%	5.1%	$39,511	$51,067
61	Educational Services	283	0.94	12,446	485,148	7.6%	8.1%	$47,848	$67,022
62	Health Care and Social Assistance	2,018	1.09	32,942	1,108,490	20.2%	18.6%	$55,602	$63,414
71	Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	158	ND	ND	102,276	ND	1.7%	ND	$43,044
72	Accommodation and Food Services	943	1.14	14,416	461,744	8.9%	7.7%	$19,486	$24,729
81	Other Services (Except Public Administration)	1,119	1.09	6,034	203,144	3.7%	3.4%	$30,739	$43,903
92	Public Administration	389	1.32	8,397	232,974	5.2%	3.9%	$57,637	$73,804
	Total, Suppressed Industries	245		3,897		2.4%			

Company Ownership

		Estab. WDA	LQ	Employment WDA	Employment PA	Employment % WDA	Employment % PA	Wages WDA	Wages PA
Total, All Ownership		11,185	1.00	162,740	5,963,025	100.0%	100.0%	$49,306	$69,252
Private Ownership		10,292	0.95	137,531	5,301,081	84.5%	88.9%	$48,286	$69,300
Federal Ownership		186	1.05	2,900	101,636	1.8%	1.7%	$75,934	$90,018
State Ownership		122	2.16	7,440	126,229	4.6%	2.1%	$67,021	$71,770
Local Ownership		586	1.26	14,870	434,079	9.1%	7.3%	$44,675	$63,079

Notes: 'Estab.'-Establishments. 'LQ'-(Location Quotient) is the percent of WDA employment by sector divided by the percent of PA's employment by sector.

Occupational Employment (2020) and Wages (2023)

SOC Code	Major Occupational Group	Estimated Employment WDA	Estimated Employment PA	Entry-Level Wage WDA	Entry-Level Wage PA	Average Wage WDA	Average Wage PA
00-0000	Total, All Occupations	173,100	5,923,090	$26,190	$29,860	$50,020	$61,920
11-0000	Management	7,750	329,650	$52,910	$64,540	$104,050	$131,660
13-0000	Business & Financial Operations	5,290	307,330	$40,300	$47,270	$68,450	$82,990
15-0000	Computer & Mathematical	2,130	168,390	$42,300	$54,840	$75,930	$98,060
17-0000	Architecture & Engineering	2,300	102,710	$51,030	$57,460	$78,310	$92,950
19-0000	Life, Physical, & Social Science	1,210	56,570	$44,310	$48,260	$68,640	$82,210
21-0000	Community & Social Service	5,090	129,510	$33,080	$36,700	$48,410	$55,040
23-0000	Legal	560	48,600	$39,520	$51,470	$86,860	$120,620
25-0000	Educational Instruction & Library	8,940	322,980	$31,110	$34,430	$56,290	$68,610
27-0000	Arts, Design, Entertainment, Sports, & Media	1,720	76,840	$28,450	$32,120	$51,120	$61,640
29-0000	Healthcare Practitioners & Technical	12,500	410,120	$41,510	$48,400	$82,620	$97,160
31-0000	Healthcare Support	10,090	323,520	$25,330	$26,680	$33,630	$35,120
33-0000	Protective Service	4,040	123,720	$30,540	$30,510	$55,220	$56,120
35-0000	Food Preparation & Serving Related	13,640	403,000	$18,920	$21,170	$27,840	$31,550
37-0000	Building & Grounds Cleaning & Maintenance	5,950	185,730	$23,960	$27,390	$32,990	$37,490
39-0000	Personal Care & Service	4,640	159,270	$19,840	$22,380	$31,200	$35,260
41-0000	Sales & Related	15,990	525,290	$21,940	$24,850	$38,710	$50,440
43-0000	Office & Administrative Support	22,580	811,460	$28,000	$31,640	$41,090	$46,810
45-0000	Farming, Fishing, & Forestry	2,600	42,050	$22,840	$25,510	$40,450	$41,590
47-0000	Construction & Extraction	8,120	244,620	$36,000	$40,300	$53,780	$61,810
49-0000	Installation, Maintenance, & Repair	7,940	232,680	$32,600	$36,690	$50,710	$57,200
51-0000	Production	12,750	361,760	$30,990	$32,920	$44,430	$48,120
53-0000	Transportation & Material Moving	17,290	557,300	$26,360	$30,290	$41,250	$45,770

Note: 'ND' represents Non-Disclosable information.

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