



Due to BLS methodological changes and conversions to the 2020 Census-based area delineations, seasonally adjusted substate area LAUS data are not available until further notice.

2023 Population		
Demographic	WDA	PA
Total Population	433,356	12,986,518
Female	214,376	6,585,606
Male	218,980	6,400,912
Population by Race		
White	93.0%	75.8%
Black	2.4%	10.7%
Other	4.0%	10.0%
Hispanic Origin (all races)	1.7%	8.4%
Population by Age		
Ages 0 to 17	19.3%	20.6%
Ages 18 to 24	8.1%	8.9%
Ages 25 to 34	11.2%	13.0%
Ages 35 to 44	11.3%	12.3%
Ages 45 to 54	12.7%	12.2%
Ages 55 to 64	14.8%	13.9%
Ages 65 to 74	13.1%	11.2%
Ages 75 and Older	9.5%	7.9%
Educational Attainment, Ages 18 and Older		
High School Diploma or Less	54.6%	42.0%
Some College or Associate Degree	25.6%	25.8%
Bachelor's Degree	13.3%	19.7%
Graduate or Professional Degree	6.5%	12.5%

Source: U.S. Census-2023 ACS 5-Year Estimates - DP05, B01001, and B15001

Local Area Unemployment Statistics		
February	2025	2024
Unemployment Rate	4.9%	4.2%
Labor Force	194,400	199,400
Employed	184,900	190,900
Unemployed	9,500	8,400

Notes: Current month's data are preliminary. Data are not seasonally adjusted.

Top 10 Employers by Employment in Q3 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	
Sheetz Distribution Services LLC	
Giant Food Stores LLC	

Source: Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages

Online Job Postings	WDA	PA
February 2025	4,489	235,805
February 2024	3,069	205,673
Annual Percent Change	46.3%	14.7%
Annual Volume Change	1,420	30,132

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

Unemployment Compensation (UC) by Pre-UC Industry	Mar 2024 to Feb 2025				Feb 2025 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	50	650	3.0%	1.0%	90	520	6.5%	1.0%	1,510	9,190	8.0%	2.0%
Construction	250	7,370	14.5%	10.0%	430	8,690	29.0%	20.5%	5,840	102,730	30.5%	21.0%
Manufacturing	220	8,510	12.5%	11.5%	200	5,250	14.0%	12.5%	1,800	51,160	9.5%	10.5%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	340	14,140	19.5%	19.5%	230	7,710	15.5%	18.0%	2,550	78,270	13.5%	16.0%
Information	30	1,610	1.5%	2.0%	10	490	0.5%	1.0%	150	6,440	1.0%	1.5%
Financial Activities	40	4,240	2.5%	6.0%	50	1,480	3.0%	3.5%	420	17,690	2.0%	3.5%
Professional and Business Services	280	14,810	16.0%	20.5%	160	6,680	11.0%	15.5%	2,460	91,380	13.0%	19.0%
Education and Health Service	260	11,800	15.0%	16.0%	130	5,400	9.0%	12.5%	1,380	57,580	7.5%	12.0%
Leisure and Hospitality	140	5,670	8.0%	8.0%	100	3,350	6.5%	8.0%	1,710	45,560	9.0%	9.5%
Other Services	50	2,000	3.0%	2.5%	30	890	2.0%	2.0%	360	11,120	2.0%	2.5%
Public Administration	70	1,590	4.0%	2.0%	10	340	1.0%	1.0%	530	6,830	3.0%	1.5%
Unclassified Industry	0	370	0.0%	0.5%	30	1,690	2.5%	4.0%	270	7,720	1.5%	1.5%
Total	1,730	72,760	100%	100%	1,470	42,490	100%	100%	18,990	485,660	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.	LQ	Employment		Employment %		Wages	
		WDA		WDA	PA	WDA	PA	WDA	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									
	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 (2022) and Wages (2023)							
SOC Code	Major Occupational Group	Estimated Employment		Entry-Level Wage		Average Wage	
		WDA	PA	WDA	PA	WDA	PA
00-0000	Total, All Occupations	173,100	6,311,420	\$26,190	\$29,860	\$50,020	\$61,920
11-0000	Management	7,750	406,080	\$52,910	\$64,540	\$104,050	\$131,660
13-0000	Business & Financial Operations	5,290	362,880	\$40,300	\$47,270	\$68,450	\$82,990
15-0000	Computer & Mathematical	2,130	179,640	\$42,300	\$54,840	\$75,930	\$98,060
17-0000	Architecture & Engineering	2,300	98,300	\$51,030	\$57,460	\$78,310	\$92,950
19-0000	Life, Physical, & Social Science	1,210	65,970	\$44,310	\$48,260	\$68,640	\$82,210
21-0000	Community & Social Service	5,090	137,600	\$33,080	\$36,700	\$48,410	\$55,040
23-0000	Legal	560	48,970	\$39,520	\$51,470	\$86,860	\$120,620
25-0000	Educational Instruction & Library	8,940	328,020	\$31,110	\$34,430	\$56,290	\$68,610
27-0000	Arts, Design, Entertainment, Sports, & Media	1,720	89,620	\$28,450	\$32,120	\$51,120	\$61,640
29-0000	Healthcare Practitioners & Technical	12,500	415,140	\$41,510	\$48,400	\$82,620	\$97,160
31-0000	Healthcare Support	10,090	340,210	\$25,330	\$26,680	\$33,630	\$35,120
33-0000	Protective Service	4,040	125,910	\$30,540	\$30,510	\$55,220	\$56,120
35-0000	Food Preparation & Serving Related	13,640	471,490	\$18,920	\$21,170	\$27,840	\$31,550
37-0000	Building & Grounds Cleaning & Maintenance	5,950	202,710	\$23,960	\$27,390	\$32,990	\$37,490
39-0000	Personal Care & Service	4,640	184,610	\$19,840	\$22,380	\$31,200	\$35,260
41-0000	Sales & Related	15,990	534,980	\$21,940	\$24,850	\$38,710	\$50,440
43-0000	Office & Administrative Support	22,580	815,400	\$28,000	\$31,640	\$41,090	\$46,810
45-0000	Farming, Fishing, & Forestry	2,600	47,090	\$22,840	\$25,510	\$40,450	\$41,590
47-0000	Construction & Extraction	8,120	251,960	\$36,000	\$40,300	\$53,780	\$61,810
49-0000	Installation, Maintenance, & Repair	7,940	246,050	\$32,600	\$36,690	\$50,710	\$57,200
51-0000	Production	12,750	373,880	\$30,990	\$32,920	\$44,430	\$48,120
53-0000	Transportation & Material Moving	17,290	584,940	\$26,360	\$30,290	\$41,250	\$45,770

Note: 'ND' represents Non-Disclosable information.