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## **Pennsylvania's Unemployment Rate At 3.8 Percent** *Unemployment Rate Remains Lowest Since 1976*

**Harrisburg, PA** – Today, the Pennsylvania Department of Labor & Industry (L&I) released its employment situation report for June 2019.

Pennsylvania's unemployment rate was unchanged over the month, remaining at the record low set in April of 3.8 percent. State records go back to 1976.

The national rate, at 3.7 percent, was up one-tenth of a percentage point from May. The commonwealth's unemployment rate declined by four-tenths of a percentage point from June 2018 while the national rate was down three-tenths over the same period.

Pennsylvania's civilian labor force – the estimated number of residents working or looking for work – was down 2,000 to 6,469,000. Employment rose by 1,000 to a record high, while unemployment declined 2,000 to its lowest level since April 2000.

Total nonfarm jobs were down 1,400 over the month to 6,044,200 in June. Jobs increased over the month in five of the 11 industry supersectors. The largest supersector movement from May was an increase of 1,900 jobs in information. Over the year, total nonfarm jobs in Pennsylvania were up 40,600 with gains in nine of the 11 supersectors.

Additional information is available on the L&I website at [www.dli.pa.gov](http://www.dli.pa.gov) or by following us on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), and [YouTube](#).

Note: The above data are seasonally adjusted. Seasonally adjusted data provide the most valid month-to-month comparison.

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**Editor's Note:** A breakdown of Pennsylvania's employment statistics follows.

## Current Labor Force Statistics

Seasonally Adjusted  
(in thousands)

	June 2019	May 2019	June 2018	Change from May 2019		Change from June 2018	
				volume	percent	volume	percent
<b>PA</b>							
Civilian Labor Force	6,469	6,471	6,411	-2	0.0%	58	0.9%
Employment	6,223	6,222	6,139	1	0.0%	84	1.4%
Unemployment	246	248	272	-2	-0.8%	-26	-9.6%
<b>Rate</b>	3.8	3.8	4.2	0.0	----	-0.4	----
<b>U.S.</b>							
Civilian Labor Force	162,981	162,646	162,129	335	0.2%	852	0.5%
Employment	157,005	156,758	155,592	247	0.2%	1,413	0.9%
Unemployment	5,975	5,888	6,537	87	1.5%	-562	-8.6%
<b>Rate</b>	3.7	3.6	4	0.1	----	-0.3	----

## Pennsylvania Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment

Seasonally Adjusted  
(in thousands)

	June 2019	May 2019	June 2018	Change from May 2019		Change from June 2018	
				volume	percent	volume	percent
<b>Total Nonfarm Jobs</b>	<b>6,044.2</b>	<b>6,045.6</b>	<b>6,003.6</b>	<b>-1.4</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>40.6</b>	<b>0.7%</b>
<b>Goods Producing Industries</b>	<b>856.7</b>	<b>856.5</b>	<b>853.0</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>3.7</b>	<b>0.4%</b>
Mining & Logging	29.6	29.5	28.5	0.1	0.3%	1.1	3.9%
Construction	261.9	262.2	255.3	-0.3	-0.1%	6.6	2.6%
Manufacturing	565.2	564.8	569.2	0.4	0.1%	-4.0	-0.7%
<b>Service Providing Industries</b>	<b>5,187.5</b>	<b>5,189.1</b>	<b>5,150.6</b>	<b>-1.6</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>36.9</b>	<b>0.7%</b>
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	1,128.2	1,127.8	1,128.0	0.4	0.0%	0.2	0.0%
Information	88.3	86.4	85.7	1.9	2.2%	2.6	3.0%
Financial Activities	329.2	328.9	324.8	0.3	0.1%	4.4	1.4%
Professional & Business Services	807.7	808.1	805.4	-0.4	0.0%	2.3	0.3%
Education & Health Services	1,291.2	1,293.0	1,272.1	-1.8	-0.1%	19.1	1.5%
Leisure & Hospitality	577.9	578.4	570.0	-0.5	-0.1%	7.9	1.4%
Other Services	262.6	262.8	260.9	-0.2	-0.1%	1.7	0.7%
Government	702.4	703.7	703.7	-1.3	-0.2%	-1.3	-0.2%

For a more detailed breakdown of seasonally adjusted jobs data at the sector level, please contact the Center for Workforce Information & Analysis at 1-877-4WF-DATA, or visit [www.workstats.dli.pa.gov](http://www.workstats.dli.pa.gov).

Note: July 2019 labor force and nonfarm jobs statistics will be released August 16, 2019.