

## TARGETED INDUSTRY SECTORS

Manufacturing	Healthcare & Social Assistance
Finance & Insurance	Transportation & Warehousing
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	

## ECONOMY & POPULATION

Gross Domestic Product	\$41.2B
Total Population	664,391

## EMPLOYERS

Establishments	15,506
Average Employees per Establishment	22
Average Occupational Earnings per Hour	\$22.93

## LOCAL AREA UNEMPLOYMENT STATISTICS (DEC 2019)

Labor Force	358,000		
Employed	339,500		
Unemployed	18,500		
LV Unemployment Rate	5.2%	PA 4.7%	U.S. 3.5%

## TOP OCCUPATIONS

Registered Nurses		
Retail Salespersons		
Laborers/Freight, Stock, Material Movers, Hand	Dec 2019	5,907
Sales Reps., Wholesale, and Manufacturing	Dec 2018	3,759
Customer Service Representatives		
Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers		

## ONLINE JOB POSTINGS\*

## WORKFORCE EDUCATION ATTAINMENT

### QUARTERLY WORKFORCE INDICATORS (QWI, 1<sup>ST</sup> QTR 2019)

Less-than-High School	10.8%
High School/GED	25.2%
Some College or Associate Degree	27.5%
Bachelor's Degree or Advance Degree	24.1%
Educational Attainment not Available (workers aged 24 or younger)	12.4%

## EDUCATION SYSTEM

School Districts	17
Career and Technical Schools	3
Community Colleges	2
Colleges and Universities	9

## WORKFORCE RACE/ETHNICITY/ GENDER (QWI, 1<sup>ST</sup> QTR 2019)

White	85.1%
Black/African American	9.3%
Other/Two or more races	5.6%
Hispanic/Latino	14.5%
Female	49.0%
Male	51.0%

## WORKFORCE AGE

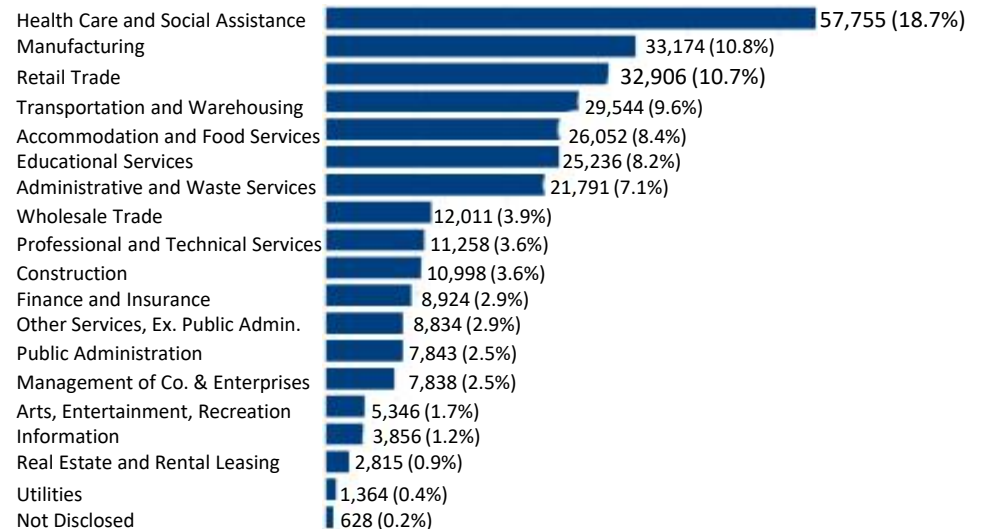
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14-18	2.5%
19-24	9.9%
25-34	21.8%
35-44	20.1%
45-54	20.7%
55-64	18.7%
65+	6.3%

## WORKFORCE COMMUTING (ON THE MAP- 2017)

95,868 Commute Out, Live Inside  
93,048 Commute In, Live Outside  
170,044 Work and Live in LV

## MIX OF INDUSTRY EMPLOYMENT FOR LEHIGH VALLEY (QUARTERLY CENSUS EMPLOYMENT AND WAGES, 2018 ANNUAL AVERAGES)





## **Lehigh Valley Workforce Landscape**

The Lehigh Valley has a growing economy with only 5.2 percent unemployment, 339,500 individuals employed, 18,500 unemployed, 664,391 total population, and a \$41.2 billion Gross Domestic Product. In comparison, Pennsylvania's unemployment rate is 4.7 percent and the U.S. is 3.5 percent. New companies are relocating to the Lehigh Valley or expanding across region in many industries, especially transportation, warehousing, logistics, manufacturing, and healthcare.

The snapshot of Lehigh Valley's economy includes targeted industry sectors of Healthcare, Manufacturing, Transportation and Warehousing, Finance and Insurance, and Professional, Technical and Scientific Services, with Healthcare topping the chart with 57,755 workers. There are 15,506 business establishments with an average of 22 employees per establishment and \$22.93 average hourly wage.

Lehigh Valley's top five occupations are Registered Nurses, Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers, Retail Salespersons, Customer Service Representatives, and First-Line Supervisors of Retail Sales Workers.

Regarding educational attainment levels, 10.8 percent of our workforce has less than a high school education, 25.2 percent has a high school diploma or GED, 27.5 percent some college or Associate Degree, and 24.1 percent Bachelor's or Advanced Degree.

Each day, 95,868 of our workforce commutes out of the region and 93,048 commute in. The age ranges of our workforce include: 9.9 percent 19 to 24 years old, 21.8 percent 25-34, 20.1 percent 35-44, 20.7 percent 45-54, and 25 percent 55 and older.

*For more information on workforce intelligence and labor market data including Top Employers, Lehigh Valley Profile, Youth Workforce Data, Wages, Business Growth and Right-sizing, Top Job Skills and more, contact Gina Kormanik, Workforce Board Lehigh Valley, 610-841-1006 or email [gkormanik@workforceelv.org](mailto:gkormanik@workforceelv.org).*