

Interactive Workforce Data Dashboard

Economy (LV) ^{1,2}		Unemployment Statistics (LV) - (March 2023)		Demographics (LV) ⁹		CWIA QCEW Annual Averages (2021)			
Total Nominal GDP (\$B) - 2021	Graph 43.9	Labor Force (in thousands) ⁶	362	Total Population Est. (2021)	689	Industry (NAICS) ¹²	Employment	Employment %	Avg Annual Wages
Lehigh County	26.4	Employed (in thousands) ⁶	349	Lehigh County (in thousands)	376	62-Health Care and Social Assistance	58,535	19.2%	65,245
Northampton County	17.5	Unemployed (in thousands) ⁶	13.3	Northampton County (in thousands)	314	48-49-Transportation and Warehousing	36,311	11.9%	52,180
				Labor Force Participation Rate (2020)	63.9%	31-33-Manufacturing	34,500	11.3%	75,362
Total Real GDP (\$B) - 2021	Graph 36.8	Unemployment Rates - (Seasonally Adjusted)⁶		Workforce Age (LV) (2022 Q1)		44-45-Retail Trade	31,251	10.3%	34,513
Lehigh County	22.5	Lehigh Valley - (March 2023)	3.7%	14-18	3%	61-Educational Services	24,149	7.9%	58,075
Northampton County	14.3	Month over Month Change	-0.6%	19-21	4%	72-Accommodation and Food Services	21,340	7.0%	24,175
Year over Year % Change (Real GDP) ^{2,3}	6.3%			22-24	5%	56-Administrative and Waste Services	20,122	6.6%	44,718
		Pennsylvania - (April 2023)	4.1%	25-34	21%	54-Professional and Technical Services	12,760	4.2%	86,094
Targeted Industry Sectors (LV)		U.S. - (April 2023)	3.4%	35-44	21%	42-Wholesale Trade	11,596	3.8%	85,486
Health Care & Social Assistance		Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) - (February 2023)	3.9%	45-54	20%	23-Construction	11,149	3.7%	71,712
Transportation & Warehousing				55-64	19%	81-Other Services, Ex. Public Admin	8,250	2.7%	37,937
Manufacturing		Unemployment Continued Claims⁷		65-99	7%	52-Finance and Insurance	8,027	2.6%	98,356
Professional & Technical Services		Lehigh County (WE 5/13/23)	2,545			72-Public Administration	7,523	2.5%	63,188
Finance & Insurance		Northampton County (WE 5/13/23)	1,684			55-Management of Companies and Enterprises	6,955	2.3%	151,007
		Total Lehigh Valley (WE 5/13/23)	4,229	Workforce Race (LV) (2022 Q1)		71-Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	4,530	1.5%	26,228
Employers (LV) - 2021				White Alone	84%	51-Information	3,341	1.1%	73,090
Establishments (in thousands) ^{3,4}	15.7	Workforce Education Attainment (LV) - (2022 Q1)		Black or African American Alone	10%	53-Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	2,951	1.0%	57,000
Total Employees (in thousands) ⁴	302	Less than high school	11%	American Indian or Alaska Native Alone	1%	22-Utilities	1,317	0.4%	100,180
Avg Employees per Establishment	19	High school or equivalent, no college	24%	Asian Alone	4%	11-Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing & Hunting	N/A	N/A	N/A
Avg Hourly Wage - 2021	Detail 25.76	Some college or Associate degree	27%	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander Alone	0%	21-Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	N/A	N/A	N/A
Year over Year Hourly Wage % Change	4.7%	Bachelor's degree or advanced degree	24%	Two or More Race Groups	2%				
		Educational attainment not available	13%						
Top Occupations by Job Postings (LV) - (Feb-23)		Education System (LV)⁸		Hispanic/Latino	16%				
1.Registered Nurses		School Districts (2021-2022)	17	Not Hispanic/Latino	84%				
2.Retail Salespersons		Charter Schools (2021-2022)	12	Female	50.7%				
3.Manufacturing Sales		Career and Technical Schools (2021-2022)	3	Male	49.3%				
4.Customer Service Representatives		Community Colleges / 4-Year Institutes	13						
5.Retail Sales Supervisor		PreK-12 Student Enrollments (In Thousands) (2021-2022)	Graph 101	Workforce Commuting (2020)					
		High School Graduates (In Thousands) (2020-2021)	Graph 7.2	Commute Out, Live in LV	99,986				
Online Job Postings (LV) - (In thousands)⁵		4 Year Graduation Rate % (2020-2021)	90%	Commute In, Live Outside LV	101,646				
Feb-23	9.3	College Bound Students (In Thousands) (2020-2021)	4.8	Work and Live in LV	186,093				
Feb-22	17.5	% College Bound of High School Graduates (2020-2021)	Graph 67%						
YoY Percentage Change	-46.9%								



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Legend:

- Favorable Change
- No Change
- Unfavorable Change

Data Sources:

¹Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA). Nominal GDP numbers are not normalized for changes in prices. Each year prices of goods and services may fluctuate, which affect these numbers and may not accurately reflect the growth of the economy. (E.g. Supply chain issues may cause higher prices and may indicate higher GDP growth, but does not represent economic growth). See footnote #2. Lehigh Valley Economic Development Corporation (LVEDC) uses Allentown-Bethlehem-Easton-NJ MSA GDP numbers so these two county total will not tie.

²Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA). Real GDP normalizes for changes in prices by using 2012 prices, therefore is a better indicator of the growth of the economy. Through this method, fluctuations in prices of goods are controlled for.

³GDP numbers from 2019 to 2020 were negatively influenced by the COVID-19 pandemic

⁴Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW) data provided by the Center for Workforce Information & Analysis (CWIA). Totals include multiple company locations.

⁵Job Postings include the top 100 growing occupations as defined by the Center for Workforce Information & Analysis (CWIA)

⁶Census Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS) Report. Numbers are seasonally adjusted

⁷Center for Workforce Information & Analysis (CWIA) Weekly Unemployment Continued Compensation Claims

⁸Pennsylvania Department of Education Public School Enrollment and 4-Year Cohort Graduation School Year Reports

⁹Population Estimates per the U.S. Census. Labor Force Participation Rates are retrieved from REMI (Regional Economic Modeling Inc.), which are based off of BLS Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS) data.

¹⁰Census Quarterly Workforce Indicators (QWI)

¹¹U.S. on theMap Inflow/Outflow Analysis for Lehigh Valley Workforce Investment Area - Primary Jobs (<https://onthemap.ces.census.gov/>)

¹²CWIA Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW). Per CWIA, due to the smaller size of industries 11 and 21 in the Lehigh Valley and privacy laws - numbers were not provided.

<https://lvwib.org/data/>

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