

Introduction to Industry Dashboard (4/7/2026)

Our Industry Dashboard highlights the four largest industry sectors in the Lehigh Valley by number of employees as of 2025 and 2026. These sectors include Healthcare and Social Assistance (NAICS 62), Manufacturing (NAICS 31-33), Transportation and Warehousing (NAICS 48-49), and Retail Trade (NAICS 44-45).

The dashboard data is expected to be updated quarterly as the most recent data is released to ensure timely and relevant insights. The sectors covered will remain consistent unless a new industry experiences significant growth and emerges as a major employer in the region. Data for the dashboard is sourced from credible and mostly publicly available sources.

Below is a summary of key data points featured and their respective sources:

| Data | Source |
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| Number of Employees | Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS); QCEW |
| Number of Businesses | Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS); QCEW |
| New Hires | CWIA PA New Hires Report |
| Projected Employees by 2035 | Lehigh Valley Planning Commission & Workforce Board Lehigh Valley |
| Net Job Creation | Census QWI / Longitudinal Employer-Household Dynamics (LEHD) |
| New Online Job Postings | CWIA Online Job Postings Dashboard |
| Historical Average Annual Salary | Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS); QCEW |
| Workers' Educational Attainment | Census QWI / Longitudinal Employer-Household Dynamics (LEHD) |
| Workers' Age Distribution | Census QWI / Longitudinal Employer-Household Dynamics (LEHD) |
| Major Employers | CWIA / Workforce Board LV |

Note: CWIA refers to the Center for Workforce Information and Analysis. Information regarding the Healthcare Industry Partnership, iTEC training program, and Transportation training programs were also incorporated.

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