Central Pennsylvania Labor Market Status Report -- August 2023

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Unemployment Rates

Geography	August 2023	Monthly Change	Annual Change
Centre	2.9%	↔	↓
Clinton	4.4%	↑	↓
Columbia	3.9%	↑	↓
Lycoming	3.8%	↑	↓
Mifflin	3.9%	↑	↓
Montour	3.0%	↑	↓
Northumberland	4.3%	↑	↓
Snyder	3.6%	↑	↓
Union	3.1%	↑	↓
Central PA WDA	**3.6%**	↑	↓
Pennsylvania	**3.5%**	↔	↓
United States	**3.8%**	↑	↑

Unemployment Rates

Line chart showing Unemployment Rates from August 2022 to August 2023 for Central PA WDA, Pennsylvania, and United States. Central PA WDA ends at 3.6%.
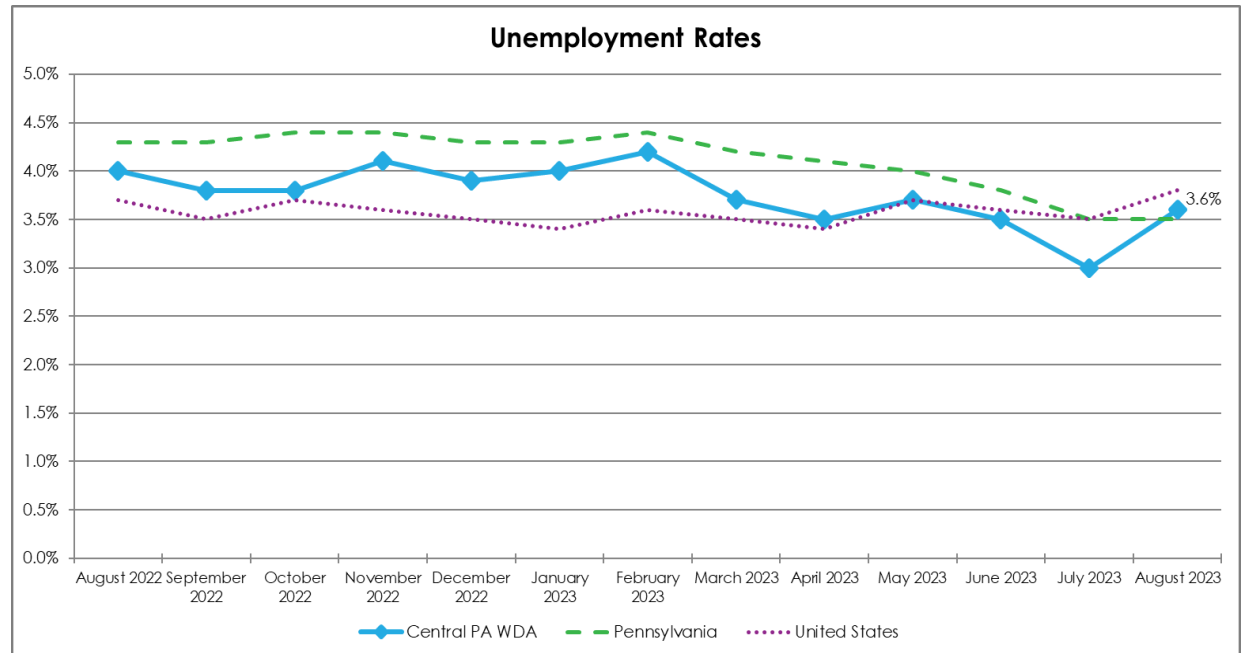
	August 2023	July 2023	Monthly Change		August 2022	Annual Change	
Central PA WDA							
Labor Force	295,700	292,700	↑	3,000	290,500	↑	5,200
Employed	285,100	283,800	↑	1,300	278,900	↑	6,200
Unemployed	10,600	8,900	↑	1,700	11,600	↓	-1,000
Unemployment Rate	3.6%	3.0%	↑	0.6%	4.0%	↓	-0.4%
Pennsylvania							
Labor Force	6,499,000	6,498,000	↑	1,000	6,476,000	↑	23,000
Employed	6,273,000	6,267,000	↑	6,000	6,197,000	↑	76,000
Unemployed	226,000	230,000	↓	-4,000	279,000	↓	-53,000
Unemployment Rate	3.5%	3.5%	↔	0.0%	4.3%	↓	-0.8%
United States							
Labor Force	167,839,000	167,103,000	↑	736,000	164,714,000	↑	3,125,000
Employed	161,484,000	161,262,000	↑	222,000	158,694,000	↑	2,790,000
Unemployed	6,355,000	5,841,000	↑	514,000	6,021,000	↑	334,000
Unemployment Rate	3.8%	3.5%	↑	0.3%	3.7%	↑	0.1%

Civilian Labor Force

County	
Centre County	78,500
Clinton County	17,100
Columbia County	34,100
Lycoming County	54,900
Mifflin County	21,100
Montour County	9,300
Northumberland County	41,800
Snyder County	19,700
Union County	19,400

The labor force is comprised of individuals who are working, waiting for a layoff to end, or are actively seeking work. The graph below highlights changes in the civilian labor force as a percentage of the area's total civilian labor force.
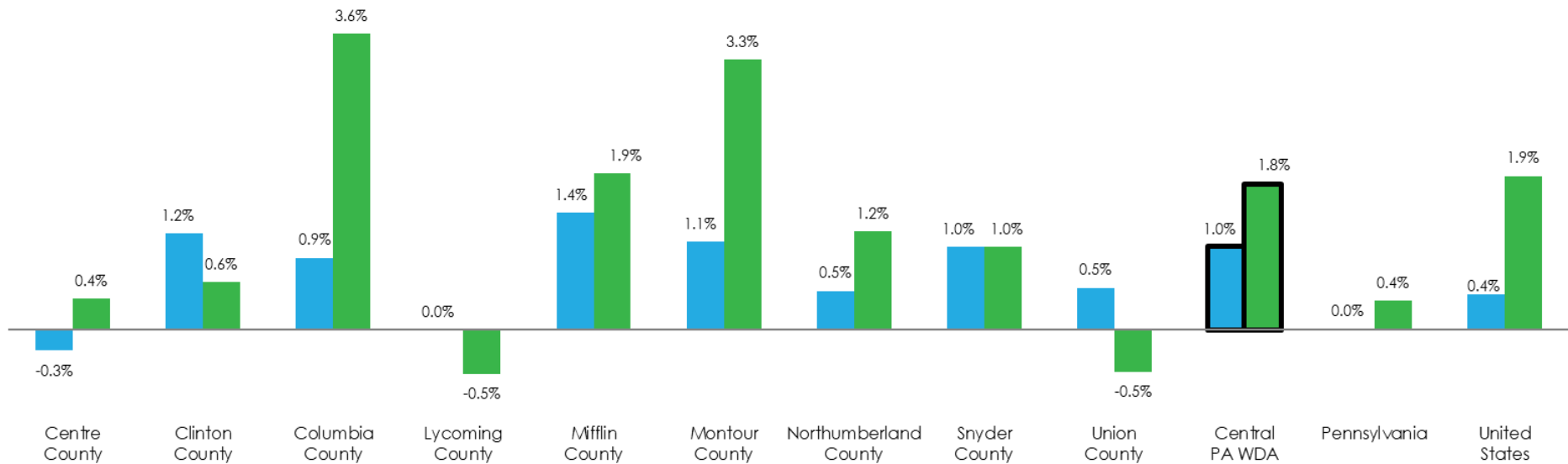
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	August 2023	Change Since	
		July 2023	August 2022
Central PA WDA	**295,700**	**3,000**	**5,200**
Pennsylvania	6,499,000	1,000	23,000
United States	167,839,000	736,000	3,125,000

Percent Change in Civilian Labor Force: August 2023

■ Month Change ■ Year Change

	Month Change	Year Change
Centre County	-0.3%	0.4%
Clinton County	1.2%	0.6%
Columbia County	0.9%	3.6%
Lycoming County	0.0%	-0.5%
Mifflin County	1.4%	1.9%
Montour County	1.1%	3.3%
Northumberland County	0.5%	1.2%
Snyder County	1.0%	1.0%
Union County	0.5%	-0.5%
Central PA WDA	1.0%	1.8%
Pennsylvania	0.0%	0.4%
United States	0.4%	1.9%

County	Employed
Centre County	76,300
Clinton County	16,400
Columbia County	32,800
Lycoming County	52,800
Mifflin County	20,200
Montour County	9,100
Northumberland County	40,000
Snyder County	19,000
Union County	18,800

The employed population includes individuals who are working. The graph below highlights changes in employment as a percentage of the area's total employment.
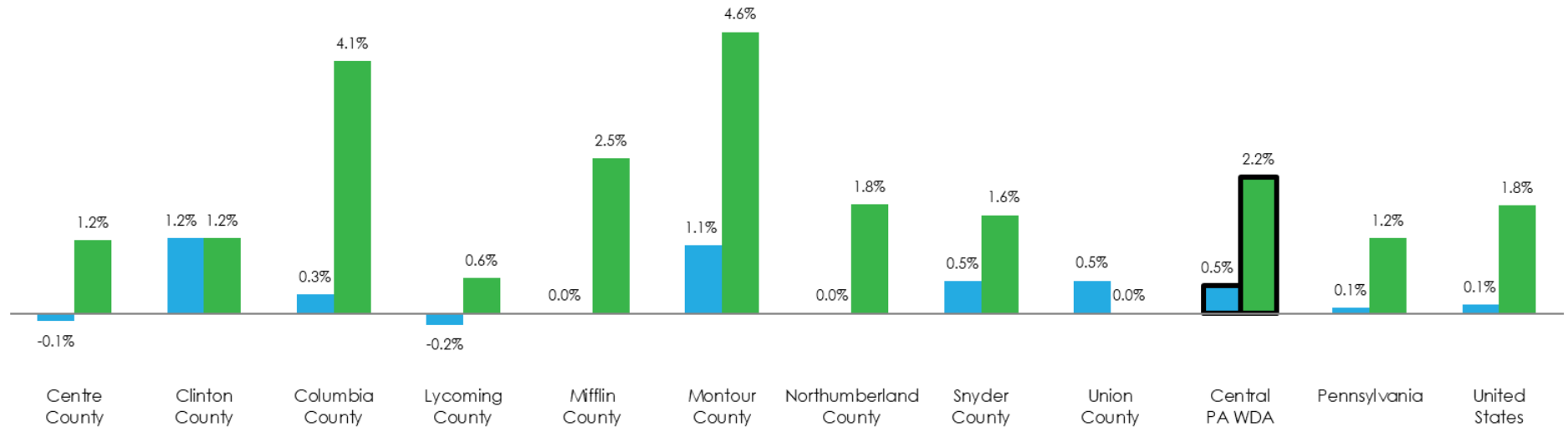
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	Change Since		
	August 2023	July 2023	August 2022
Central PA WDA	**285,100**	**1,300**	**6,200**
Pennsylvania	6,273,000	6,000	76,000
United States	161,484,000	222,000	2,790,000

Percent Change in Employed Population: August 2023

■ Month Change ■ Year Change

County	Month Change	Year Change
Centre County	-0.1%	1.2%
Clinton County	1.2%	1.2%
Columbia County	0.3%	4.1%
Lycoming County	-0.2%	0.6%
Mifflin County	0.0%	2.5%
Montour County	1.1%	4.6%
Northumberland County	0.0%	1.8%
Snyder County	0.5%	1.6%
Union County	0.5%	0.0%
Central PA WDA	0.5%	2.2%
Pennsylvania	0.1%	1.2%
United States	0.1%	1.8%

Unemployed Population

County	
Centre County	2,300
Clinton County	800
Columbia County	1,300
Lycoming County	2,100
Mifflin County	800
Montour County	300
Northumberland County	1,800
Snyder County	700
Union County	600

The unemployed population is made up of individuals who are not working, but are waiting for a layoff to end or are actively seeking work. The graph below highlights changes in unemployment as a percentage of the area's total unemployment.
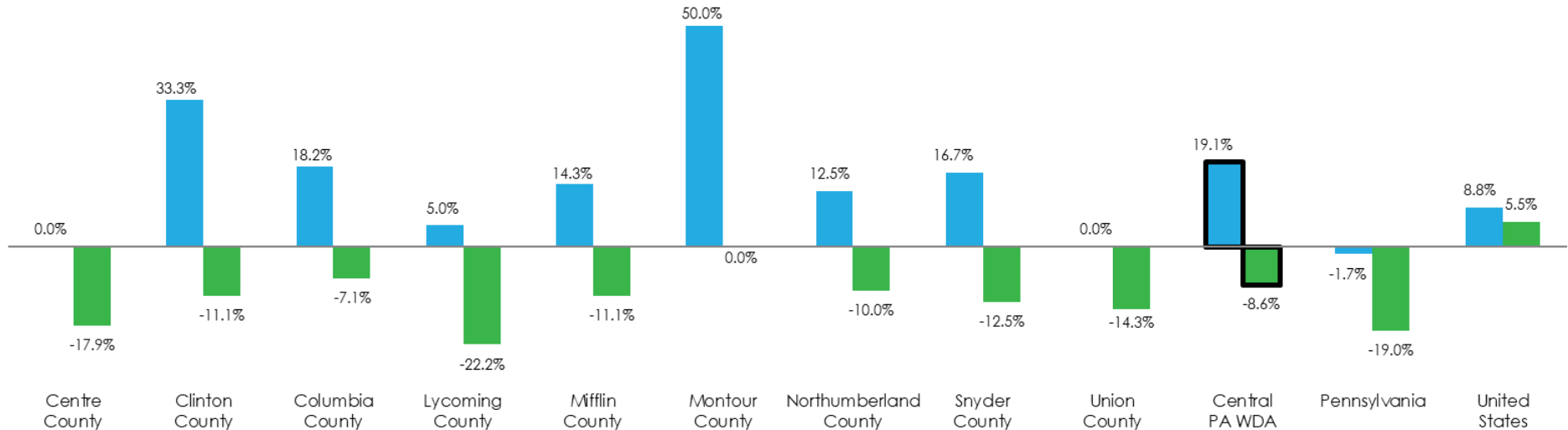
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		Change Since	
	August 2023	July 2023	August 2022
Central PA WDA	**10,600**	**1,700**	**-1,000**
Pennsylvania	226,000	-4,000	-53,000
United States	6,355,000	514,000	334,000

Percent Change in Unemployed Population: August 2023
■ Month Change ■ Year Change

Centre County: 0.0% / -17.9%
Clinton County: 33.3% / -11.1%
Columbia County: 18.2% / -7.1%
Lycoming County: 5.0% / -22.2%
Mifflin County: 14.3% / -11.1%
Montour County: 50.0% / 0.0%
Northumberland County: 12.5% / -10.0%
Snyder County: 16.7% / -12.5%
Union County: 0.0% / -14.3%
Central PA WDA: 19.1% / -8.6%
Pennsylvania: -1.7% / -19.0%
United States: 8.8% / 5.5%

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Unemployment Rates	August 2023	July 2023	August 2022
Centre County	2.9%	2.9%	3.6%
Clinton County	4.4%	3.8%	5.0%
Columbia County	3.9%	3.3%	4.3%
Lycoming County	3.8%	3.7%	4.8%
Mifflin County	3.9%	3.2%	4.5%
Montour County	3.0%	2.4%	3.2%
Northumberland County	4.3%	3.9%	4.8%
Snyder County	3.6%	3.2%	3.9%
Union County	3.1%	2.9%	3.4%
Central PA WDA	**3.6%**	**3.0%**	**4.0%**
Pennsylvania	3.5%	3.5%	4.3%
United States	6.0%	3.5%	3.7%

The unemployment rate represents the proportion of individuals in the civilian labor force who are not working, but are waiting for a layoff to end or are actively seeking work. The graph below highlights changes in unemployment rates.

Change in Unemployment Rate: August 2023

■ Month Change ■ Year Change

County	Month Change	Year Change
Centre County	0.0%	-0.7%
Clinton County	0.6%	-0.6%
Columbia County	0.6%	-0.4%
Lycoming County	0.1%	-1.0%
Mifflin County	0.7%	-0.6%
Montour County	0.6%	-0.2%
Northumberland County	0.4%	-0.5%
Snyder County	0.4%	-0.3%
Union County	0.2%	-0.3%
Central PA WDA	0.6%	-0.4%
Pennsylvania	0.0%	-0.8%
United States	0.3%	0.1%