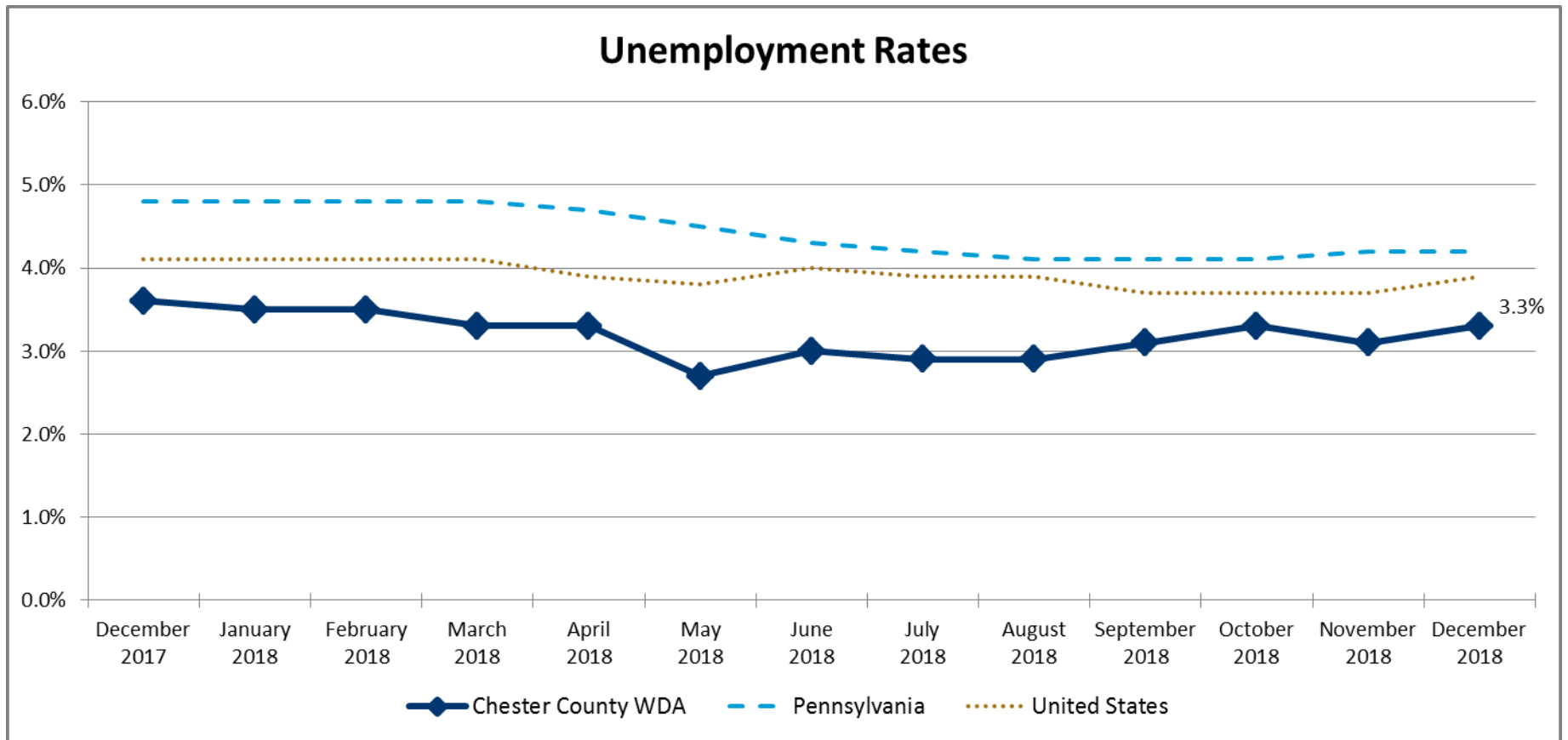


# Chester County Labor Market Status Report -- December 2018

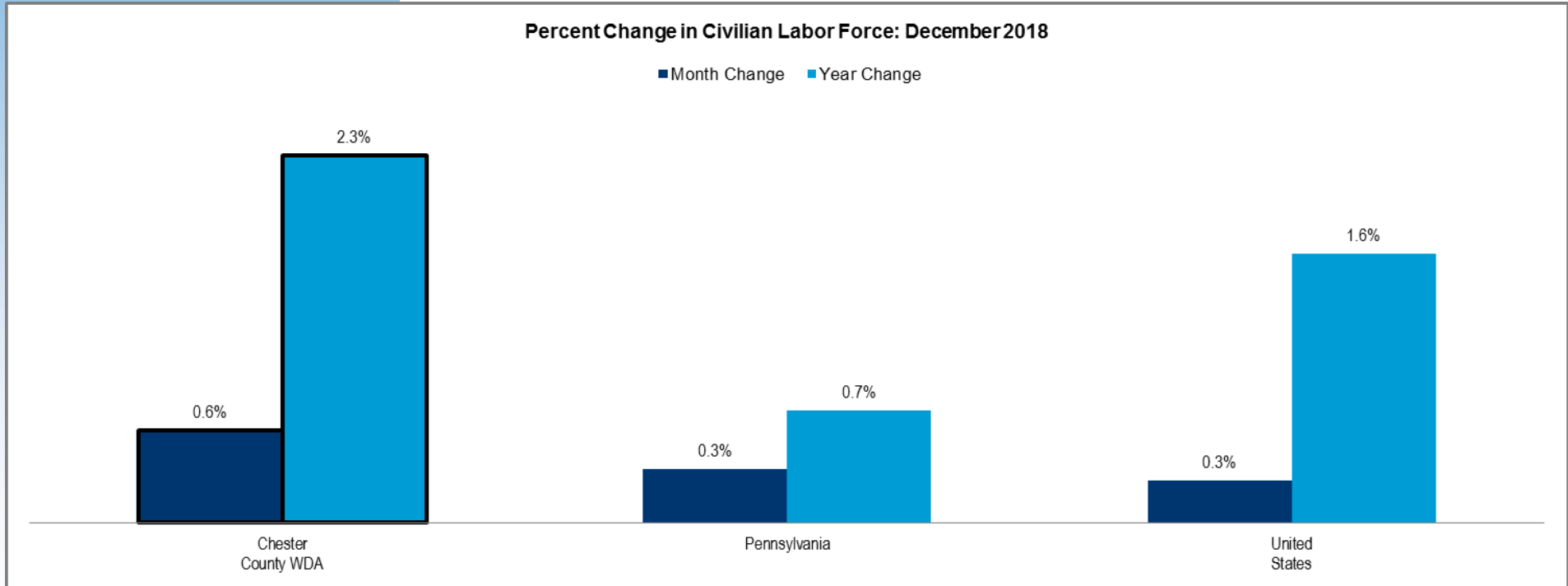
Civilian Labor Force:			Employed Population:			Unemployed Population:			Unemployment Rate:		
change since last...	month	year	change since last...	month	year	change since last...	month	year	change since last...	month	year
Chester County	↑	↑	Chester County	↑	↑	Chester County	↑	↓	Chester County	↑	↓
Pennsylvania	↑	↑	Pennsylvania	↑	↑	Pennsylvania	↑	↓	Pennsylvania	--	↓
United States	↑	↑	United States	↑	↑	United States	↑	↓	United States	↑	↓



### Civilian Labor Force

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.

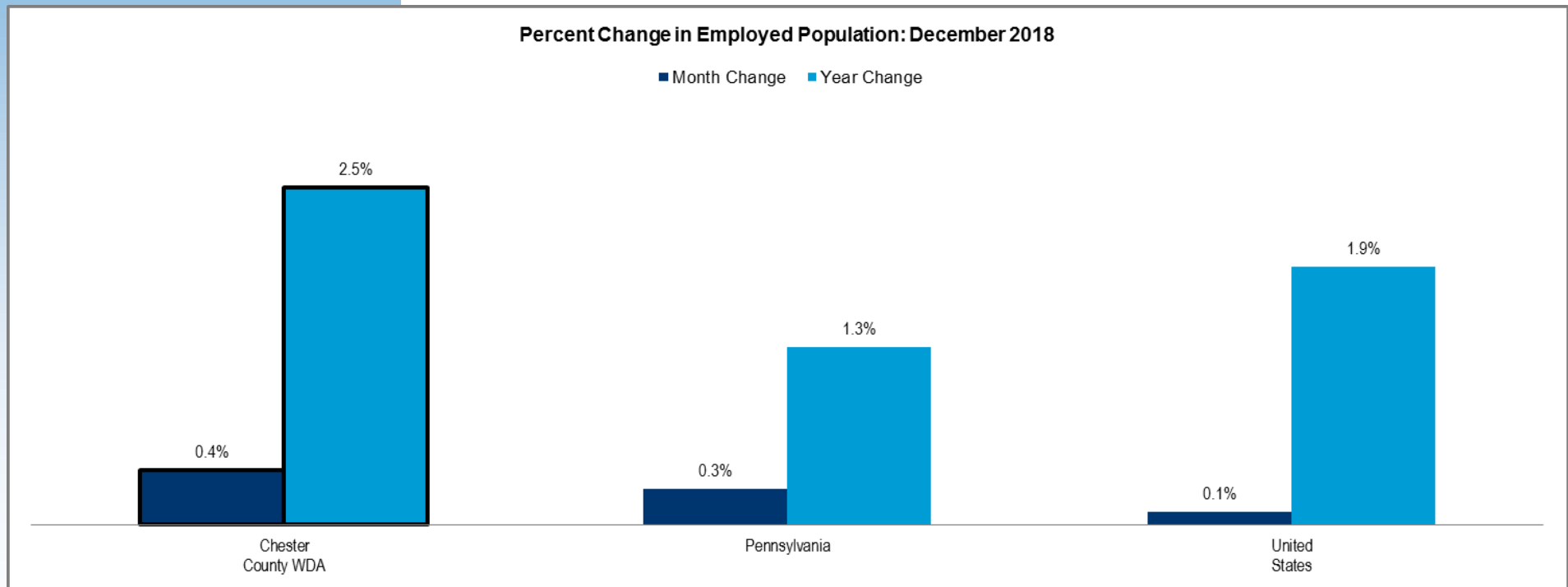
	December 2018	Change Since	
		November 2018	December 2017
<b>Chester County</b>	<b>286,200</b>	<b>1,600</b>	<b>6,300</b>
Pennsylvania	6,462,000	21,000	44,000
United States	163,240,000	419,000	2,643,000



## Employed Population

The employed population includes individuals who are working. The graph below highlights changes in employment as a percentage of the area's total employment.

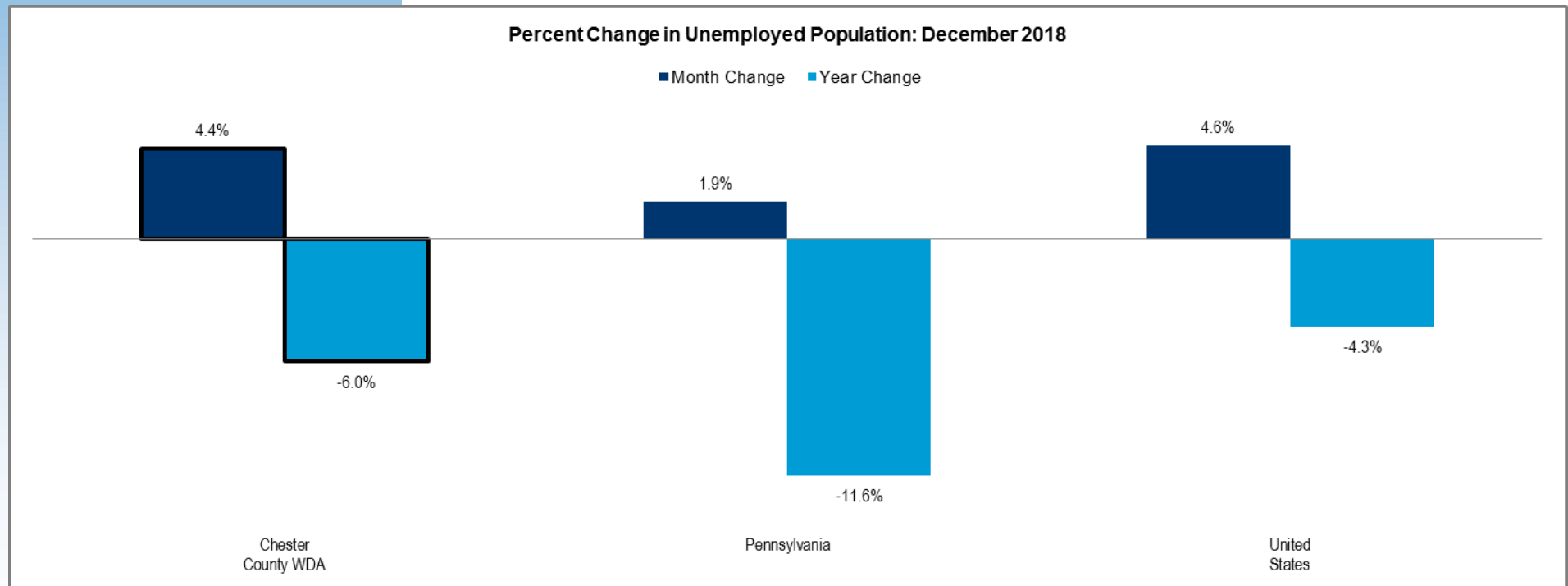
	December 2018	Change Since	
		November 2018	December 2017
<b>Chester County</b>	<b>276,700</b>	<b>1,100</b>	<b>6,700</b>
Pennsylvania	6,188,000	16,000	80,000
United States	156,945,000	142,000	2,924,000



## Unemployed Population

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.

	Change Since		
	December 2018	November 2018	December 2017
<b>Chester County</b>	<b>9,400</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>-600</b>
Pennsylvania	274,000	5,000	-36,000
United States	6,294,000	276,000	-282,000



## Unemployment Rates

	December 2018	November 2018	December 2017
Chester County	3.3%	3.1%	3.6%
Pennsylvania	4.2%	4.2%	4.8%
United States	3.9%	3.7%	4.1%

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.

