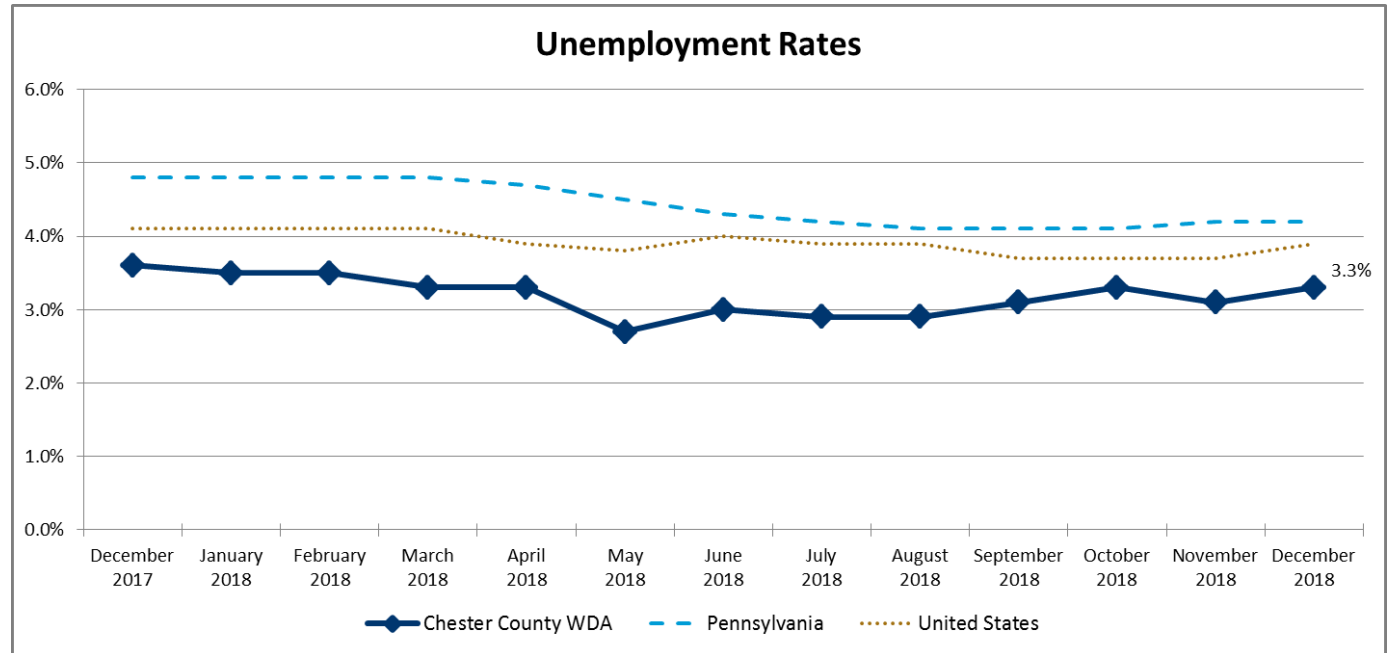




December 2018 Labor Market Information

Chester County Workforce Development Area

Unemployment Rates			
	December 2018	Monthly Change	Annual Change
Chester	3.3%	↑	↓
Bucks	3.8%	↑	↓
Delaware	4.2%	↑	↓
Montgomery	3.6%	↑	↓
Philadelphia	5.5%	↑	↓
Chester County WDA	3.3%	↑	↓
Pennsylvania	4.2%	↔	↓
United States	3.9%	↑	↓



Surrounding counties are provided for comparison purposes only

	December 2018	November 2018	Monthly Change	December 2017	Annual Change
Chester County WDA					
Labor Force	286,200	284,600	↑ 1,600	279,900	↑ 6,300
Employed	276,700	275,600	↑ 1,100	270,000	↑ 6,700
Unemployed	9,400	9,000	↑ 400	10,000	↓ -600
Unemployment Rate	3.3%	3.1%	↑ 0.2%	3.6%	↓ -0.3%
Pennsylvania					
Labor Force	6,462,000	6,441,000	↑ 21,000	6,418,000	↑ 44,000
Employed	6,188,000	6,172,000	↑ 16,000	6,108,000	↑ 80,000
Unemployed	274,000	269,000	↑ 5,000	310,000	↓ -36,000
Unemployment Rate	4.2%	4.2%	↔ 0.0%	4.8%	↓ -0.6%
United States					
Labor Force	163,240,000	162,821,000	↑ 419,000	160,597,000	↑ 2,643,000
Employed	156,945,000	156,803,000	↑ 142,000	154,021,000	↑ 2,924,000
Unemployed	6,294,000	6,018,000	↑ 276,000	6,576,000	↓ -282,000
Unemployment Rate	3.9%	3.7%	↑ 0.2%	4.1%	↓ -0.2%

Source: **Preliminary December 2018 seasonally adjusted data** provided by the Center for Workforce Information and Analysis (CWIA) (January 2019)
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