



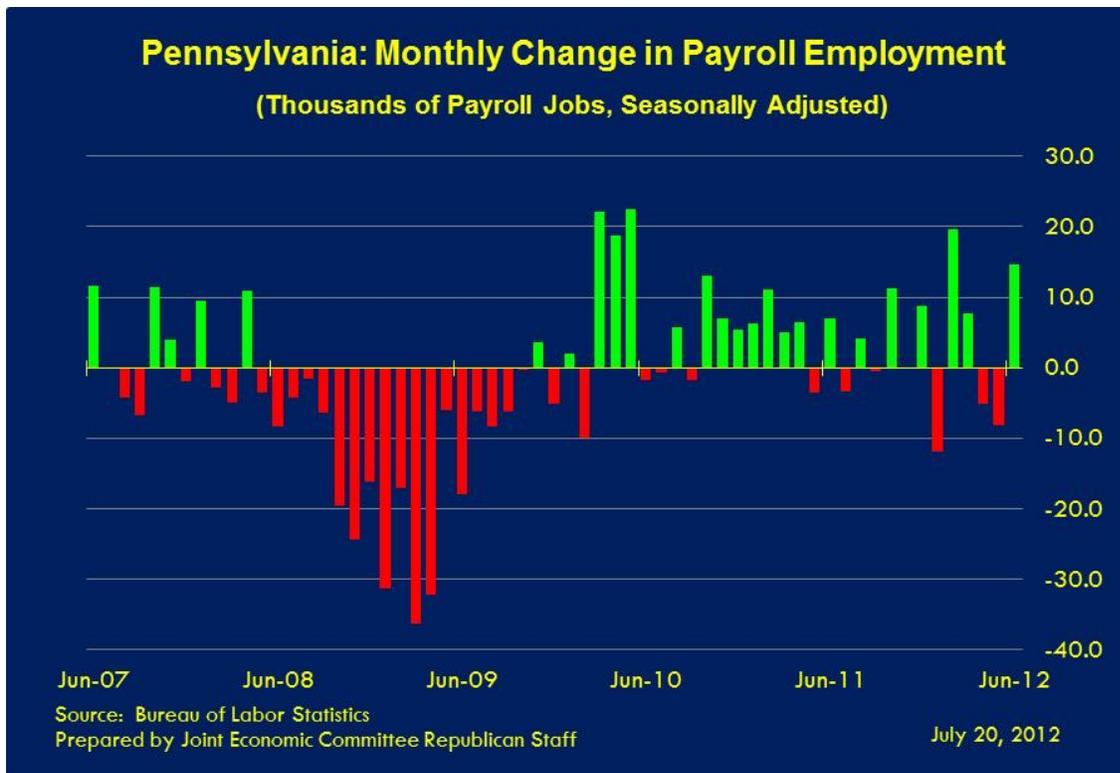
Pennsylvania Economic Update

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STATE EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT

Pennsylvania Payroll Employment

Payroll employment in Pennsylvania increased during the month of June 2012 by 14,600 jobs, or 0.26% on a seasonally adjusted basis. During the prior month (May 2012), payroll employment declined by 8,100 jobs, or 0.14% on a seasonally adjusted basis. Over the year ending June 2012, payroll employment increased by 41,200 jobs, or 0.72%. Payroll employment in Pennsylvania has increased in 6 of the past 12 months, and 15 of the past 24 months.

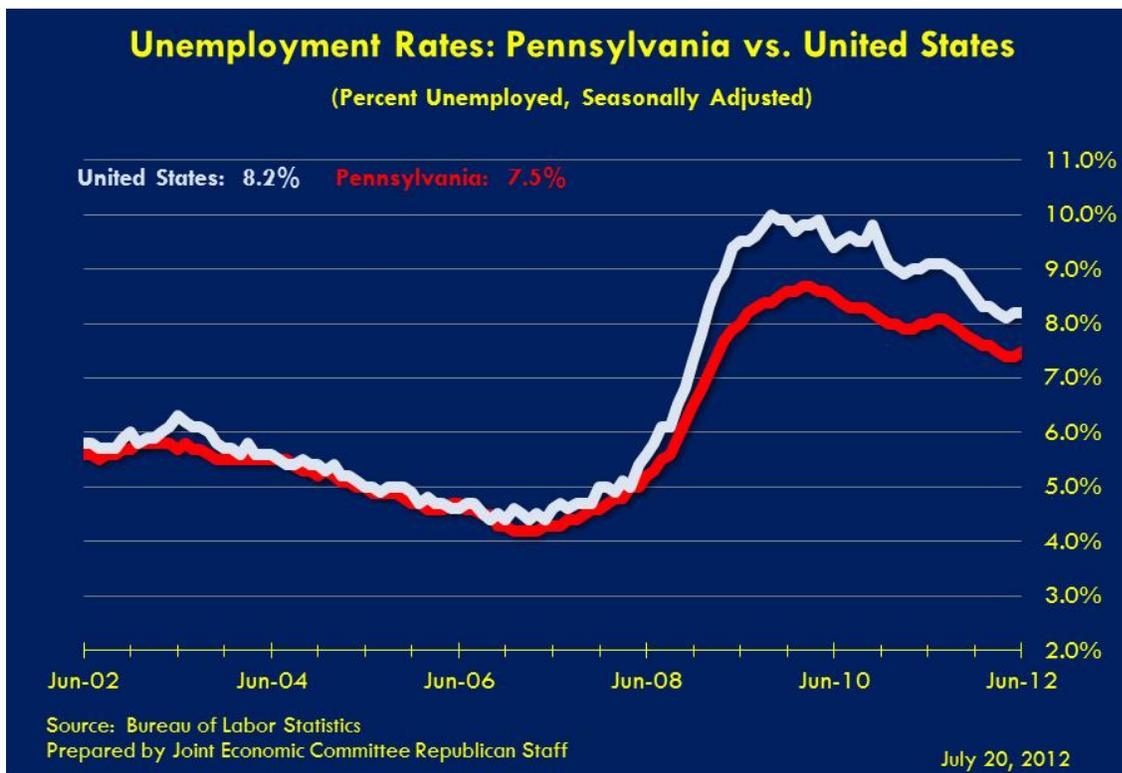


The Bureau of Labor Statistics Establishment Survey measures the number of employees on business payrolls. The survey is better than the Household Survey for measuring changes in employment. The Establishment Survey does not capture self-employed individuals or certain others who are not classified as a wage or salaried worker.

During the month, the Total Government sector registered the best performance as payroll employment increased by 9,000 jobs. The Educational & Health Services sector turned in the poorest performance, as payroll employment declined by 2,500 jobs. Over the past twelve months, the Leisure & Hospitality sector performed best as payroll employment increased by 17,900 jobs. The Total Government sector lagged behind over the past year as payroll jobs declined by 10,800.

Pennsylvania Unemployment

The unemployment rate in Pennsylvania increased to 7.5 percent in June 2012 from a rate of 7.4 percent in May 2012. The series high for the unemployment rate in Pennsylvania is 12.9 percent (March 1983), while the series low is 4.0 percent (March 2000). The state unemployment rate series began in January 1976.



The unemployment rate is published as part of the Bureau of Labor Statistics monthly Employment Situation release and is derived from the Bureau's Household Survey.