



# Economic Overview

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# Monroe County, Pennsylvania

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# Demographic Profile

The population in Monroe County, Pennsylvania was 167,586 per American Community Survey data for 2014-2018.

The region has a civilian labor force of 85,210 with a participation rate of 61.4%. Of individuals 25 to 64 in Monroe County, Pennsylvania, 24.9% have a bachelor's degree or higher which compares with 32.9% in the nation.

The median household income in Monroe County, Pennsylvania is \$63,931 and the median house value is \$167,000.

## Summary<sup>1</sup>

Demographics	Percent			Value		
	Monroe County, Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	USA	Monroe County, Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	USA
<b>Demographics</b>						
Population (ACS)	—	—	—	167,586	12,791,181	322,903,030
Male	49.5%	49.0%	49.2%	82,895	6,263,189	158,984,190
Female	50.5%	51.0%	50.8%	84,691	6,527,992	163,918,840
Median Age <sup>2</sup>	—	—	—	42.8	40.7	37.9
Under 18 Years	20.2%	20.9%	22.8%	33,787	2,675,330	73,553,240
18 to 24 Years	11.0%	9.3%	9.6%	18,429	1,194,488	30,903,719
25 to 34 Years	10.8%	13.0%	13.8%	18,172	1,667,748	44,567,976
35 to 44 Years	10.8%	11.7%	12.6%	18,078	1,495,222	40,763,210
45 to 54 Years	15.5%	13.5%	13.2%	25,905	1,731,294	42,589,573
55 to 64 Years	15.5%	14.1%	12.8%	25,967	1,797,238	41,286,731
65 to 74 Years	10.0%	9.7%	8.8%	16,794	1,236,019	28,535,419
75 Years, and Over	6.2%	7.8%	6.4%	10,454	993,842	20,703,162
Race: White	76.7%	80.8%	72.7%	128,602	10,341,442	234,904,818
Race: Black or African American	14.4%	11.1%	12.7%	24,147	1,423,319	40,916,113
Race: American Indian and Alaska Native	0.3%	0.2%	0.8%	576	24,847	2,699,073
Race: Asian	2.4%	3.3%	5.4%	4,041	427,892	17,574,550
Race: Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	0.0%	0.0%	0.2%	61	4,107	582,718
Race: Some Other Race	3.1%	2.0%	4.9%	5,177	258,694	15,789,961
Race: Two or More Races	3.0%	2.4%	3.2%	4,982	310,880	10,435,797
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	15.4%	7.1%	17.8%	25,830	905,156	57,517,935
<b>Population Growth</b>						
Population (Pop Estimates) <sup>4</sup>	—	—	—	170,271	12,801,989	328,239,523
Population Annual Average Growth <sup>4</sup>	0.1%	0.1%	0.7%	88	13,513	2,146,799
People per Square Mile	—	—	—	279.9	286.1	92.9
<b>Economic</b>						
Labor Force Participation Rate and Size (civilian population 16 years and over) <sup>5</sup>	61.4%	62.6%	63.2%	85,210	6,531,763	162,248,196
Prime-Age Labor Force Participation Rate and Size (civilian population 25-54) <sup>5</sup>	81.0%	82.7%	81.8%	50,271	4,044,281	104,136,254
Armed Forces Labor Force <sup>5</sup>	0.1%	0.0%	0.4%	74	5,083	1,028,133
Veterans, Age 18-64 <sup>5</sup>	4.9%	4.3%	4.7%	5,263	340,814	9,398,789
Veterans Labor Force Participation Rate and Size, Age 18-64 <sup>5</sup>	67.8%	76.8%	76.3%	3,568	261,619	7,168,168
Median Household Income <sup>2,5</sup>	—	—	—	\$63,931	\$59,445	\$60,293
Per Capita Income <sup>5</sup>	—	—	—	\$28,486	\$32,889	\$32,621
Mean Commute Time (minutes) <sup>5</sup>	—	—	—	39.1	26.9	26.6
Commute via Public Transportation <sup>5</sup>	4.3%	5.6%	5.0%	3,332	337,633	7,602,145
<b>Educational Attainment, Age 25-64</b>						
No High School Diploma	8.8%	8.1%	11.2%	7,734	540,364	18,885,967
High School Graduate	34.5%	32.4%	25.8%	30,431	2,169,402	43,699,272
Some College, No Degree	22.4%	16.6%	21.0%	19,774	1,113,849	35,525,113

## Summary<sup>1</sup>

	Percent			Value		
	Monroe County, Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	USA	Monroe County, Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	USA
Associate's Degree	9.4%	9.4%	9.1%	8,279	629,316	15,389,737
Bachelor's Degree	16.6%	20.8%	20.8%	14,611	1,395,023	35,261,652
Postgraduate Degree	8.3%	12.6%	12.1%	7,293	843,548	20,445,749
<b>Housing</b>						
Total Housing Units	—	—	—	81,328	5,673,599	136,384,292
Median House Value (of owner-occupied units) <sup>2</sup>	—	—	—	\$167,000	\$174,100	\$204,900
Homeowner Vacancy	2.8%	1.6%	1.7%	1,295	57,564	1,304,850
Rental Vacancy	7.7%	5.8%	6.0%	1,068	96,671	2,822,053
Renter-Occupied Housing Units (% of Occupied Units)	22.3%	31.0%	36.2%	12,652	1,557,665	43,285,318
Occupied Housing Units with No Vehicle Available (% of Occupied Units) <sup>5</sup>	5.0%	11.0%	8.7%	2,846	552,690	10,424,934
<b>Social</b>						
Poverty Level (of all people) <sup>5</sup>	11.5%	12.8%	14.1%	19,004	1,578,949	44,257,979
Households Receiving Food Stamps/SNAP	12.4%	13.2%	12.2%	7,012	663,466	14,635,287
Enrolled in Grade 12 (% of total population)	1.8%	1.3%	1.4%	3,068	161,007	4,442,295
Disconnected Youth <sup>3,5</sup>	1.0%	2.2%	2.6%	110	15,031	438,452
Children in Single Parent Families (% of all children) <sup>5</sup>	33.2%	34.6%	34.3%	10,696	883,096	23,973,249
Uninsured	7.1%	6.2%	9.4%	11,760	785,624	29,752,767
With a Disability, Age 18-64 <sup>5</sup>	13.1%	11.3%	10.3%	13,937	877,368	20,240,504
With a Disability, Age 18-64, Labor Force Participation Rate and Size <sup>5</sup>	39.0%	42.1%	41.6%	5,435	368,954	8,421,018
Foreign Born	10.2%	6.8%	13.5%	17,131	865,720	43,539,499
Speak English Less Than Very Well (population 5 yrs and over)	4.3%	4.3%	8.5%	6,839	515,501	25,647,781

Source: [JobsEQ®](#)

1. American Community Survey 2014-2018, unless noted otherwise

2. Median values for certain aggregate regions (such as MSAs) may be estimated as the weighted averages of the median values from the composing counties.

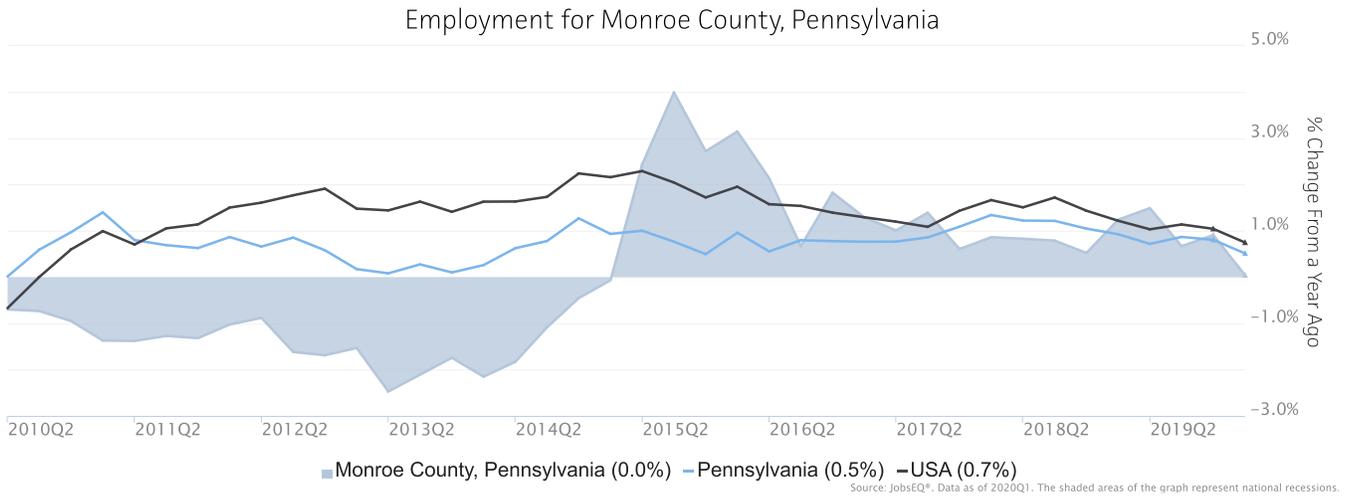
3. Disconnected Youth are 16-19 year olds who are (1) not in school, (2) not high school graduates, and (3) either unemployed or not in the labor force.

4. Census 2019, annual average growth rate since 2009

5. See Rio Arriba errata note in the Data Dictionary.

# Employment Trends

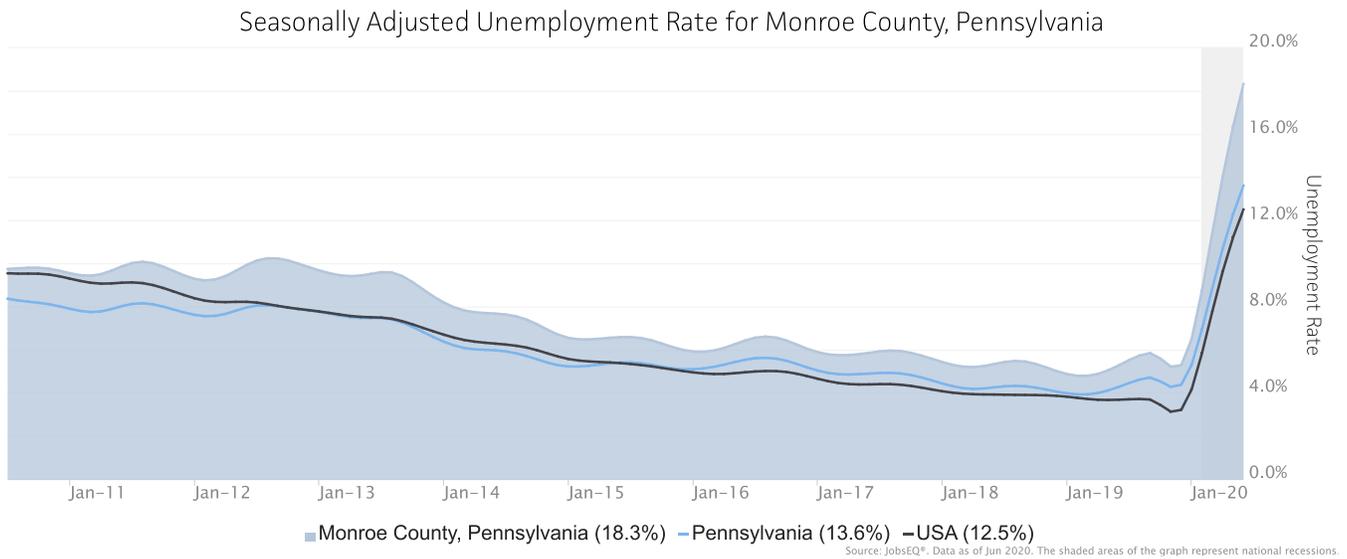
As of 2020Q1, total employment for Monroe County, Pennsylvania was 61,681 (based on a four-quarter moving average). Over the year ending 2020Q1, employment increased 0.0% in the region.



Employment data are derived from the Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages, provided by the Bureau of Labor Statistics and imputed where necessary. Data are updated through 2019Q3 with preliminary estimates updated to 2020Q1.

# Unemployment Rate

The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for Monroe County, Pennsylvania was 18.3% as of June 2020. The regional unemployment rate was higher than the national rate of 12.5%. One year earlier, in June 2019, the unemployment rate in Monroe County, Pennsylvania was 5.3%.

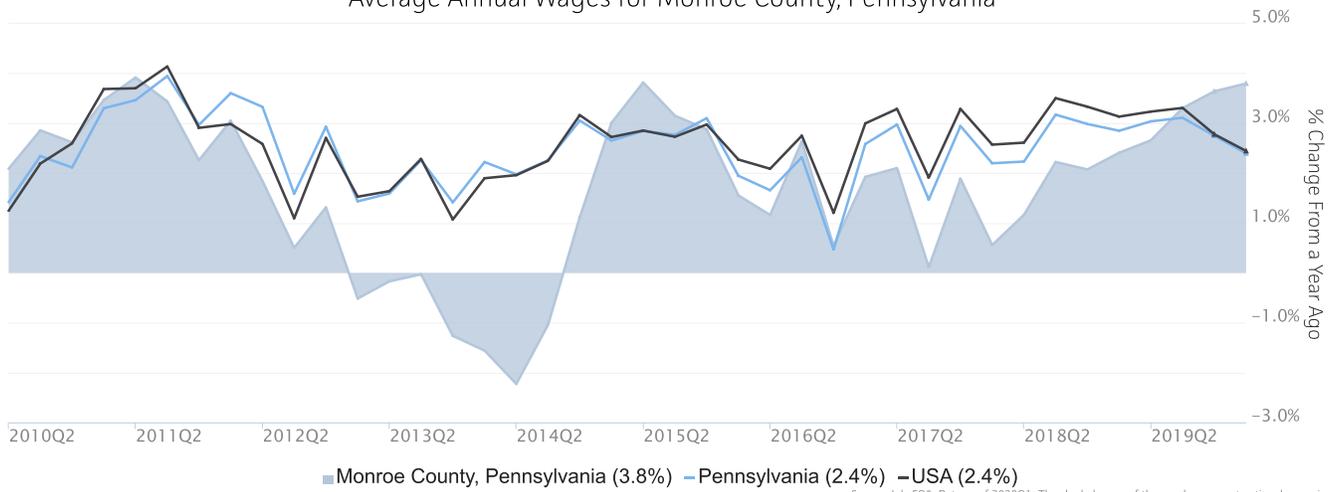


Unemployment rate data are from the Local Area Unemployment Statistics, provided by the Bureau of Labor Statistics and updated through June 2020.

# Wage Trends

The average worker in Monroe County, Pennsylvania earned annual wages of \$43,954 as of 2020Q1. Average annual wages per worker increased 3.8% in the region over the preceding four quarters. For comparison purposes, annual average wages were \$57,624 in the nation as of 2020Q1.

Average Annual Wages for Monroe County, Pennsylvania



Annual average wages per worker data are derived from the Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages, provided by the Bureau of Labor Statistics and imputed where necessary. Data are updated through 2019Q3 with preliminary estimates updated to 2020Q1.

# Cost of Living Index

The Cost of Living Index estimates the relative price levels for consumer goods and services. When applied to wages and salaries, the result is a measure of relative purchasing power. The cost of living is 1.4% higher in Monroe County, Pennsylvania than the U.S. average.

## Cost of Living Information

	Annual Average Salary	Cost of Living Index (Base US)	US Purchasing Power
Monroe County, Pennsylvania	\$43,954	101.4	\$43,328
Pennsylvania	\$56,141	106.5	\$52,727
USA	\$57,624	100.0	\$57,624

Source: [JobsEQ®](#)

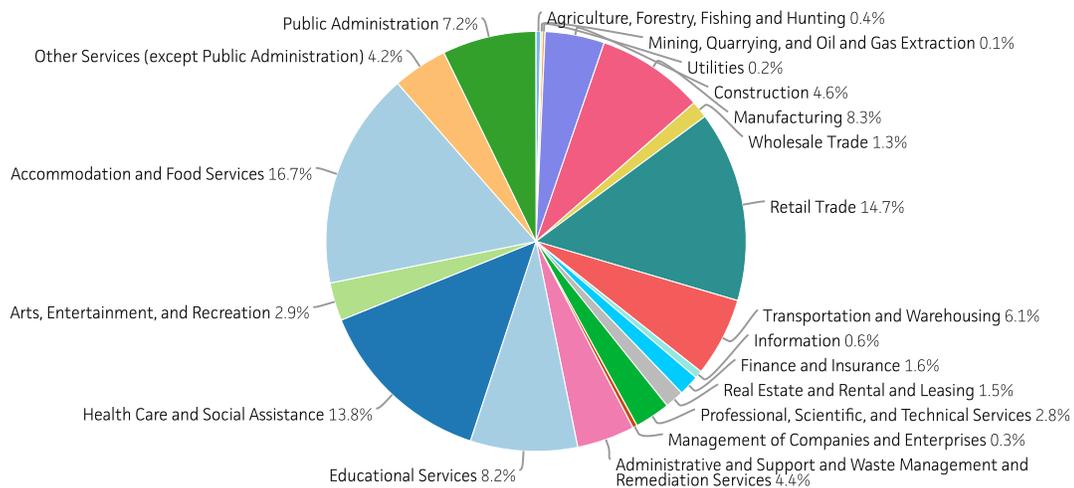
Data as of 2020Q1

Cost of Living per C2ER, data as of 2020q1, imputed by Chmura where necessary.

# Industry Snapshot

The largest sector in Monroe County, Pennsylvania is Accommodation and Food Services, employing 10,326 workers. The next-largest sectors in the region are Retail Trade (9,061 workers) and Health Care and Social Assistance (8,532). High location quotients (LQs) indicate sectors in which a region has high concentrations of employment compared to the national average. The sectors with the largest LQs in the region are Accommodation and Food Services (LQ = 1.86), Public Administration (1.53), and Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation (1.46).

Total Workers for Monroe County, Pennsylvania by Industry



Source: JobsEQ®, Data as of 2020Q1

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Sectors in Monroe County, Pennsylvania with the highest average wages per worker are Management of Companies and Enterprises (\$133,565), Utilities (\$92,202), and Manufacturing (\$82,250). Regional sectors with the best job growth (or most moderate job losses) over the last 5 years are Accommodation and Food Services (+1,876 jobs), Health Care and Social Assistance (+1,241), and Transportation and Warehousing (+926).

Over the next 1 year, employment in Monroe County, Pennsylvania is projected to contract by 355 jobs. The fastest growing sector in the region is expected to be Health Care and Social Assistance with a +0.7% year-over-year rate of growth. The strongest forecast by number of jobs over this period is expected for Health Care and Social Assistance (+61 jobs), Management of Companies and Enterprises (-1), and Utilities (-1).

NAICS	Industry	Empl	Current	5-Year History			1-Year Forecast				
			Avg Ann Wages	LQ	Empl Change	Ann %	Total Demand	Exits	Transfers	Empl Growth	Ann % Growth
72	Accommodation and Food Services	10,326	\$22,574	1.86	1,876	4.1%	1,626	737	928	-39	-0.4%
44	Retail Trade	9,061	\$27,522	1.44	-567	-1.2%	1,078	532	671	-125	-1.4%
62	Health Care and Social Assistance	8,532	\$47,880	0.96	1,241	3.2%	865	396	409	61	0.7%
31	Manufacturing	5,102	\$82,250	1.01	287	1.2%	459	195	334	-70	-1.4%
61	Educational Services	5,083	\$56,736	1.01	-206	-0.8%	429	225	243	-40	-0.8%
92	Public Administration	4,446	\$66,257	1.53	85	0.4%	358	172	234	-48	-1.1%
48	Transportation and Warehousing	3,767	\$47,960	1.33	926	5.8%	387	170	230	-13	-0.4%
23	Construction	2,818	\$45,069	0.79	130	1.0%	274	99	177	-2	-0.1%
56	Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services	2,741	\$35,596	0.70	547	4.5%	297	133	182	-18	-0.7%
81	Other Services (except Public Administration)	2,605	\$27,287	0.95	-14	-0.1%	273	135	161	-22	-0.9%
71	Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	1,804	\$25,381	1.46	-271	-2.8%	246	113	140	-6	-0.4%
54	Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	1,697	\$61,076	0.41	71	0.9%	137	54	91	-7	-0.4%
52	Finance and Insurance	981	\$54,364	0.40	-78	-1.5%	81	35	57	-10	-1.0%
53	Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	899	\$41,427	0.84	150	3.7%	85	41	49	-5	-0.6%
42	Wholesale Trade	812	\$51,657	0.35	-164	-3.6%	74	32	53	-11	-1.4%
51	Information	361	\$39,335	0.30	2	0.1%	29	12	22	-5	-1.4%
11	Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	224	\$17,240	0.28	32	3.1%	22	10	14	-2	-1.0%
55	Management of Companies and Enterprises	215	\$133,565	0.23	120	17.7%	18	7	12	-1	-0.7%
22	Utilities	133	\$92,202	0.42	31	5.4%	11	4	8	-1	-1.0%
21	Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	77	\$43,364	0.29	18	5.4%	7	3	5	-1	-0.8%
<b>Total - All Industries</b>		<b>61,681</b>	<b>\$43,954</b>	<b>1.00</b>	<b>4,215</b>	<b>1.4%</b>	<b>6,347</b>	<b>2,866</b>	<b>3,836</b>	<b>-355</b>	<b>-0.6%</b>

Source: [JobsEQ®](http://www.jobseq.com)

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# Occupation Snapshot

The largest major occupation group in Monroe County, Pennsylvania is Office and Administrative Support Occupations, employing 7,180 workers. The next-largest occupation groups in the region are Food Preparation and Serving Related Occupations (7,153 workers) and Sales and Related Occupations (7,026). High location quotients (LQs) indicate occupation groups in which a region has high concentrations of employment compared to the national average. The major groups with the largest LQs in the region are Life, Physical, and Social Science Occupations (LQ = 1.50), Building and Grounds Cleaning and Maintenance Occupations (1.48), and Food Preparation and Serving Related Occupations (1.35).

Occupation groups in Monroe County, Pennsylvania with the highest average wages per worker are Management Occupations (\$101,800), Architecture and Engineering Occupations (\$84,400), and Healthcare Practitioners and Technical Occupations (\$73,600). The unemployment rate in the region varied among the major groups from 2.3% among Legal Occupations to 10.9% among Farming, Fishing, and Forestry Occupations.

Over the next 1 year, the fastest growing occupation group in Monroe County, Pennsylvania is expected to be Healthcare Support Occupations with a +1.2% year-over-year rate of growth. The strongest forecast by number of jobs over this period is expected for Healthcare Support Occupations (+30 jobs) and Healthcare Practitioners and Technical Occupations (+8). Over the same period, the highest separation demand (occupation demand due to retirements and workers moving from one occupation to another) is expected in Food Preparation and Serving Related Occupations (1,229 jobs) and Sales and Related Occupations (970).

Monroe County, Pennsylvania, 2020Q1<sup>1</sup>

SOC	Occupation	Empl	Avg Ann Wages <sup>2</sup>	Current			5-Year History			Total Demand	1-Year Forecast			
				LQ	Unempl	Unempl Rate	Online Job Ads <sup>3</sup>	Empl Change	Ann %		Exits	Transfers	Empl Growth	Ann % Growth
43-0000	Office and Administrative Support	7,180	\$37,100	0.92	602	5.1%	257	299	0.9%	717	337	482	-101	-1.4%
35-0000	Food Preparation and Serving Related	7,153	\$24,700	1.35	763	8.4%	472	645	1.9%	1,222	494	735	-7	-0.1%
41-0000	Sales and Related	7,026	\$34,200	1.17	599	6.9%	633	-434	-1.2%	878	391	579	-92	-1.3%
53-0000	Transportation and Material Moving	5,718	\$34,600	1.13	648	7.6%	738	873	3.4%	671	261	447	-37	-0.6%
25-0000	Educational Instruction and Library	3,820	\$58,200	1.10	185	4.4%	66	-76	-0.4%	305	149	179	-23	-0.6%
29-0000	Healthcare Practitioners and Technical	3,646	\$73,600	1.04	111	2.4%	351	485	2.9%	216	96	112	8	0.2%
11-0000	Management	3,196	\$101,800	0.81	94	2.7%	157	319	2.1%	248	79	183	-14	-0.4%
37-0000	Building and Grounds Cleaning and Maintenance	3,103	\$28,900	1.48	280	7.3%	217	417	2.9%	374	179	217	-22	-0.7%
51-0000	Production	2,945	\$38,600	0.81	271	5.7%	116	169	1.2%	282	111	214	-43	-1.5%
49-0000	Installation, Maintenance, and Repair	2,547	\$42,800	1.08	153	3.7%	179	279	2.4%	224	79	162	-17	-0.7%
31-0000	Healthcare Support	2,535	\$29,400	0.94	211	4.8%	198	375	3.3%	355	157	168	30	1.2%
13-0000	Business and Financial Operations	2,415	\$68,000	0.71	115	4.2%	96	216	1.9%	207	65	158	-16	-0.7%
47-0000	Construction and Extraction	2,323	\$48,300	0.82	246	7.0%	72	108	1.0%	250	75	178	-3	-0.1%
39-0000	Personal Care and Service	2,317	\$26,500	1.33	191	5.9%	104	130	1.2%	359	158	203	-3	-0.1%
33-0000	Protective Service	1,082	\$50,100	0.81	89	4.7%	80	63	1.2%	112	55	67	-9	-0.9%
21-0000	Community and Social Service	1,037	\$48,000	0.99	34	3.0%	181	137	2.9%	118	37	75	7	0.7%

**Monroe County, Pennsylvania, 2020Q1<sup>1</sup>**

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15-0000	Computer and Mathematical	886	\$70,600	0.48	39	3.9%	45	88	2.1%	63	15	50	-2	-0.3%
19-0000	Life, Physical, and Social Science	791	\$66,100	1.50	24	3.8%	64	47	1.2%	65	14	56	-5	-0.7%
27-0000	Arts, Design, Entertainment, Sports, and Media	781	\$48,700	0.69	45	5.3%	38	-18	-0.5%	74	30	53	-8	-1.1%
17-0000	Architecture and Engineering	643	\$84,400	0.61	29	3.4%	35	41	1.3%	44	15	34	-5	-0.7%
23-0000	Legal	410	\$69,400	0.79	11	2.3%	4	19	1.0%	23	10	16	-3	-0.7%
45-0000	Farming, Fishing, and Forestry	129	\$28,800	0.33	24	10.9%	2	32	5.9%	19	5	15	-1	-0.9%
<b>Total - All Occupations</b>		<b>61,681</b>	<b>\$44,800</b>	<b>1.00</b>	<b>4,766</b>	<b>5.7%</b>	<b>4,108</b>	<b>4,215</b>	<b>1.4%</b>	<b>6,839</b>	<b>2,811</b>	<b>4,383</b>	<b>-355</b>	<b>-0.6%</b>

Source: [JobsEQ®](https://www.chmuraecon.com/jobseq)

Data as of 2020Q1 unless noted otherwise

Note: Figures may not sum due to rounding.

1. Data based on a four-quarter moving average unless noted otherwise.

2. Wage data are as of 2019 and represent the average for all Covered Employment

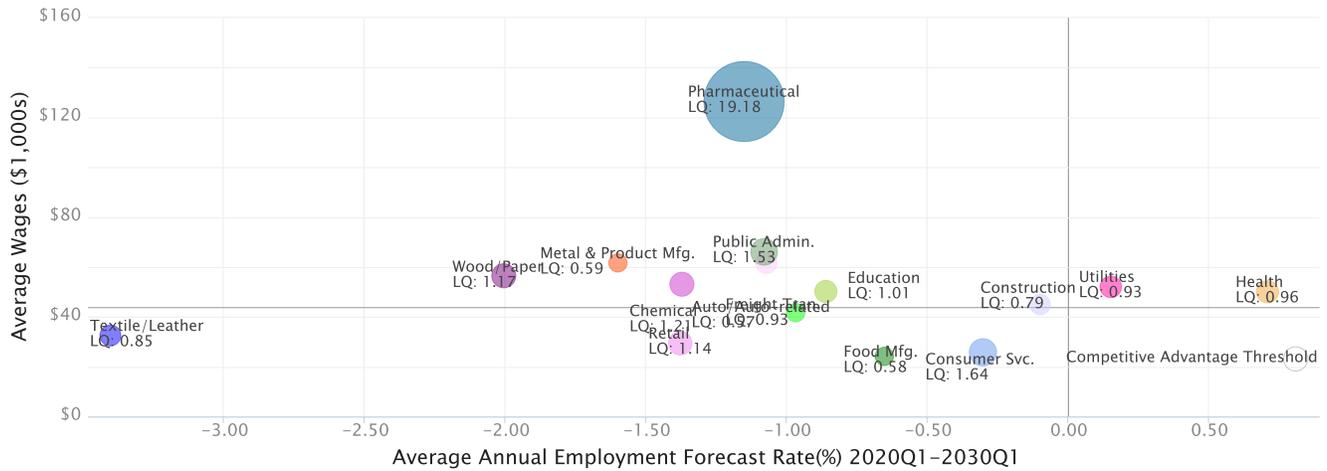
3. Data represent found online ads active within the last thirty days in the selected region; data represents a sampling rather than the complete universe of postings. Ads lacking zip code information but designating a place (city, town, etc.) may be assigned to the zip code with greatest employment in that place for queries in this analytic. Due to alternative county-assignment algorithms, ad counts in this analytic may not match that shown in RTI (nor in the popup window ad list).

Occupation employment data are estimated via industry employment data and the estimated industry/occupation mix. Industry employment data are derived from the Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages, provided by the Bureau of Labor Statistics and currently updated through 2019Q3, imputed where necessary with preliminary estimates updated to 2020Q1. Wages by occupation are as of 2019 provided by the BLS and imputed where necessary. Forecast employment growth uses national projections from the Bureau of Labor Statistics adapted for regional growth patterns.

# Industry Clusters

A cluster is a geographic concentration of interrelated industries or occupations. The industry cluster in Monroe County, Pennsylvania with the highest relative concentration is Pharmaceutical with a location quotient of 19.18. This cluster employs 2,294 workers in the region with an average wage of \$126,424. Employment in the Pharmaceutical cluster is projected to contract in the region about 1.2% per year over the next ten years.

Industry Clusters for Monroe County, Pennsylvania as of 2020Q1



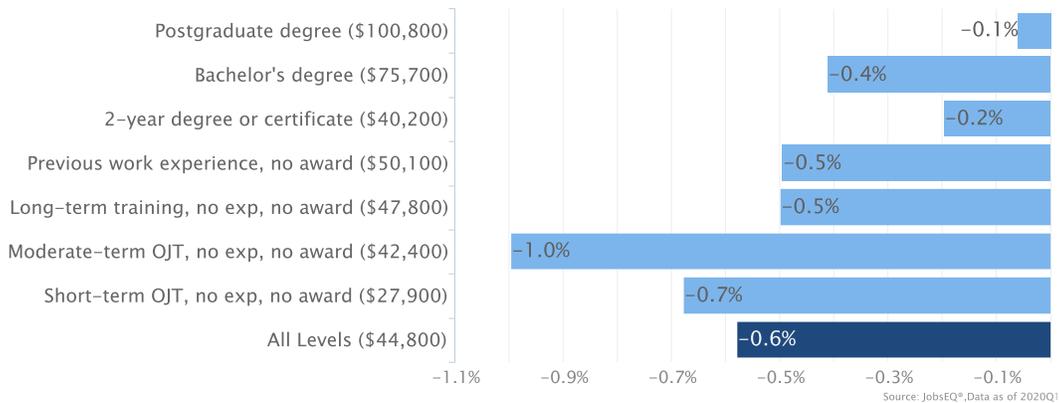
Source: JobsEQ®, Data as of 2020Q1

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# Education Levels

Expected growth rates for occupations vary by the education and training required. While all employment in Monroe County, Pennsylvania is projected to contract 0.6% over the next ten years, occupations typically requiring a postgraduate degree are expected to contract 0.1% per year, those requiring a bachelor’s degree are forecast to contract 0.4% per year, and occupations typically needing a 2-year degree or certificate are expected to contract 0.2% per year.

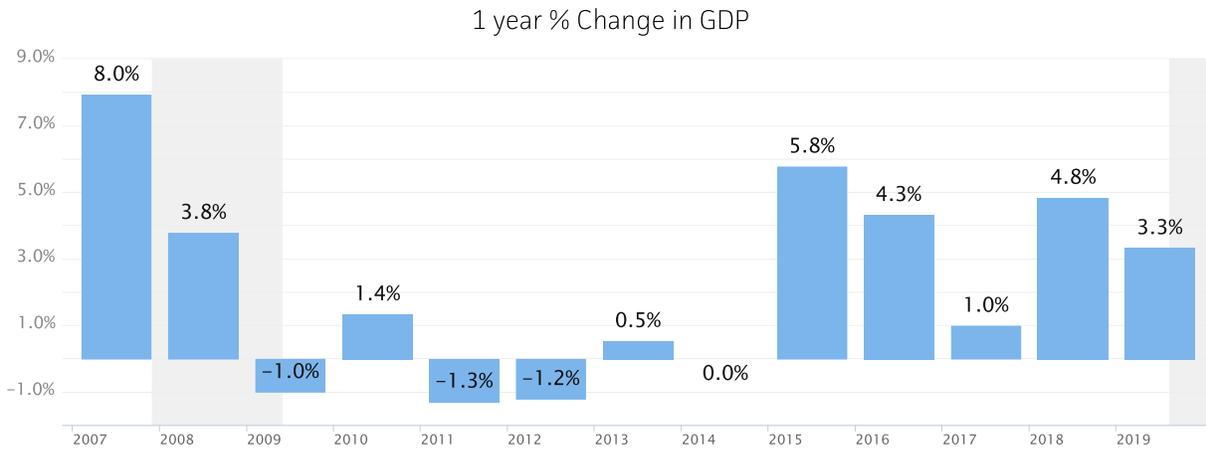
Annual Average Projected Job Growth by Training Required for Monroe County, Pennsylvania



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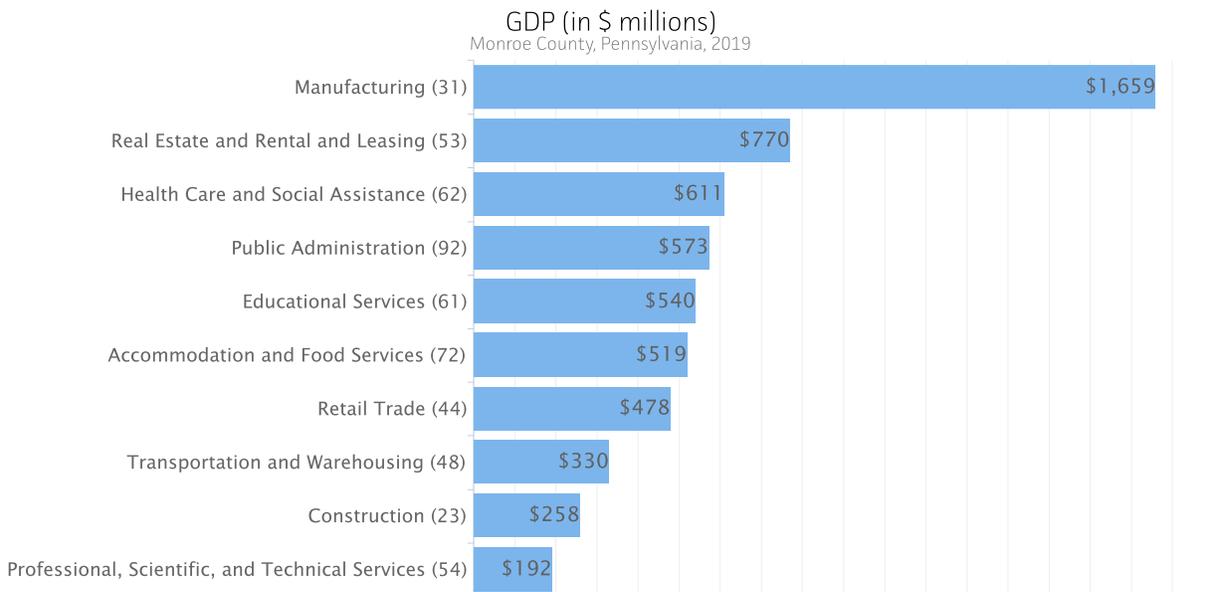
# Gross Domestic Product

Gross Domestic Product (GDP) is the total value of goods and services produced by a region. In 2019, nominal GDP in Monroe County, Pennsylvania expanded 3.3%. This follows growth of 4.8% in 2018. As of 2019, total GDP in Monroe County, Pennsylvania was \$6,866,641,000.



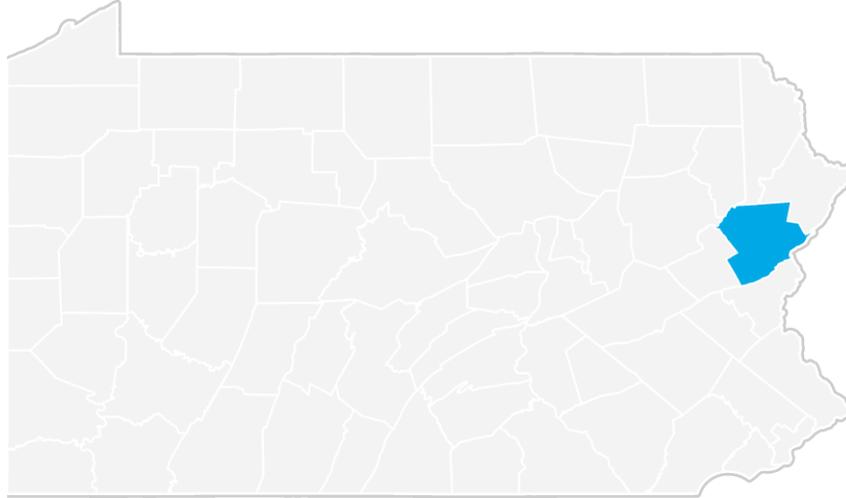
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Of the sectors in Monroe County, Pennsylvania, Manufacturing contributed the largest portion of GDP in 2019, \$1,659,193,000. The next-largest contributions came from Real Estate and Rental and Leasing (\$770,088,000); Health Care and Social Assistance (\$610,698,000); and Public Administration (\$572,621,000).



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# Monroe County, Pennsylvania Regional Map



# FAQ

## What is a location quotient?

A location quotient (LQ) is a measurement of concentration in comparison to the nation. An LQ of 1.00 indicates a region has the same concentration of an industry (or occupation) as the nation. An LQ of 2.00 would mean the region has twice the expected employment compared to the nation and an LQ of 0.50 would mean the region has half the expected employment in comparison to the nation.

## What is separation demand?

Separation demand is the number of jobs required due to separations—labor force exits (including retirements) and turnover resulting from workers moving from one occupation into another. Note that separation demand does not include all turnover—it does not include when workers stay in the same occupation but switch employers. The total projected demand for an occupation is the sum of the separation demand and the growth demand (which is the increase or decrease of jobs in an occupation expected due to expansion or contraction of the overall number of jobs in that occupation).

## What is a cluster?

A cluster is a geographic concentration of interrelated industries or occupations. If a regional cluster has a location quotient of 1.25 or greater, the region is considered to possess a competitive advantage in that cluster.

## What is the difference between industry wages and occupation wages?

Industry wages and occupation wages are estimated via separate data sets, often the time periods being reported do not align, and wages are defined slightly differently in the two systems (for example, certain bonuses are included in the industry wages but not the occupation wages). It is therefore common that estimates of the average industry wages and average occupation wages in a region do not match exactly.

## What is NAICS?

The North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) is used to classify business establishments according to the type of economic activity. The NAICS Code comprises six levels, from the “all industry” level to the 6-digit level. The first two digits define the top level category, known as the “sector,” which is the level examined in this report.

## What is SOC?

The Standard Occupational Classification system (SOC) is used to classify workers into occupational categories. All workers are classified into one of over 804 occupations according to their occupational definition. To facilitate classification, occupations are combined to form 22 major groups, 95 minor groups, and 452 occupation groups. Each occupation group includes detailed occupations requiring similar job duties, skills, education, or experience.

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