

**METROPOLITAN AREA EMPLOYMENT: JUNE 2010**

**Labor market data for Third District metropolitan areas in June were more positive than in May, after accounting for the negative impact from the loss of temporary census jobs.**

**Payroll Employment**

Payroll employment data for June, released by the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) and seasonally adjusted by the Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia, showed increases from May for 13 metropolitan areas in the tri-state region, decreases for nine areas, and no change for two areas. The June report was heavily influenced by the termination of temporary census hires. In the three-state region, labor market officials reported that 11,800 temporary census jobs were lost between May and June; these losses offset an estimated 4,400 net jobs gained from all other sectors.

On a year-over-year comparison, 12 areas are now posting gains, up from four last month. Ten of these areas are in Pennsylvania. The largest annual rates of decline are predominantly in New Jersey.

**Resident Unemployment**

From May to June, across 24 metropolitan areas in the three-state region, seasonally adjusted unemployment rates fell in all but three areas. Rates edged higher in Williamsport, PA; Ocean City, NJ; and Vineland–Millville–Bridgeton, NJ. Compared with June 2009, rates are higher in all areas, except northern New Jersey. Rates fell from year-ago levels in Trenton–Ewing, NJ, and in Bergen–Passaic–Hudson, NJ, while matching year-ago levels in Edison, NJ, and Newark–Union, NJ.

Three New Jersey areas — Atlantic City, Ocean City, and Vineland–Millville–Bridgeton — had unemployment rates more than one percentage point above the national average of 9.5 percent. Six Pennsylvania areas — Altoona, Harrisburg–Carlisle, Lancaster, Lebanon, Pittsburgh, and State College — plus Trenton–Ewing, NJ, and Dover, DE, had unemployment rates more than one percentage point below the national average. The three-state average unemployment rate returned to 9.3 percent in June, from 9.4 percent in May, after being at 9.3 percent from February through April.

**Data**

The data reported for Third District metropolitan areas are seasonally adjusted by the Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia and are available at [www.philadelphiafed.org/research-and-data/regional-economy/historical-data/](http://www.philadelphiafed.org/research-and-data/regional-economy/historical-data/). These data are derived from BLS data for all U.S. metropolitan areas available at [www.bls.gov/](http://www.bls.gov/). The BLS data are not seasonally adjusted. The BLS provides employment and unemployment data for 24 areas in the three-state region.

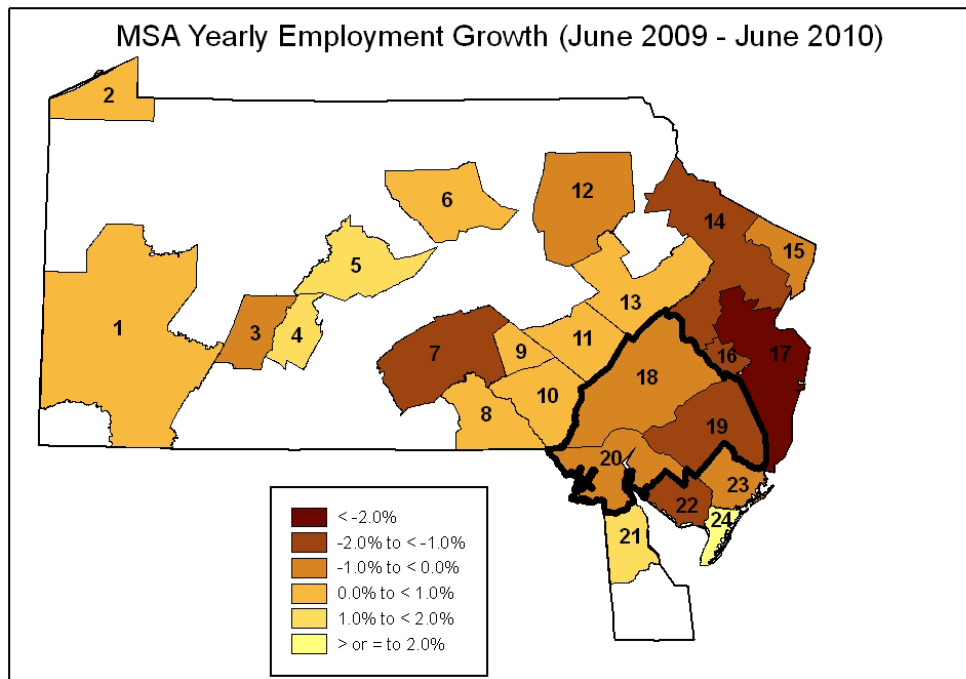
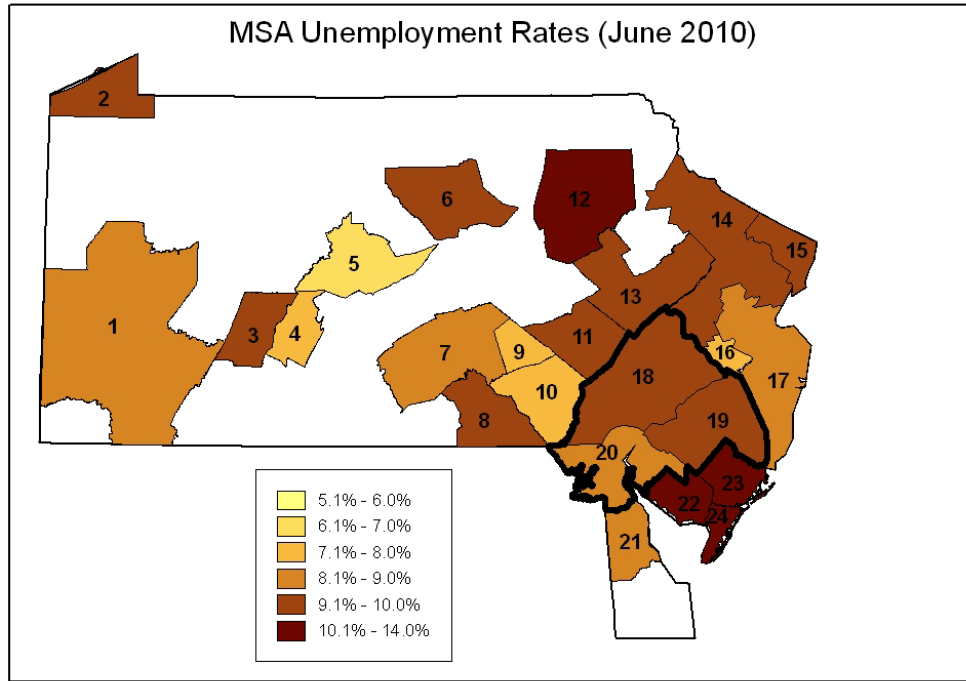
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1- Pittsburgh, 2- Erie, 3- Johnstown, 4- Altoona, 5- State College, 6- Williamsport, 7- Harrisburg-Carlisle, 8- York-Hanover, 9- Lebanon, 10- Lancaster, 11- Reading, 12- Scranton-Wilkes-Barre, 13- Allentown-Bethlehem-Easton, 14- Newark-Union, 15- Bergen-Passaic-Hudson, 16- Trenton-Ewing, 17- Edison, 18- Philadelphia, 19- Camden, 20- Wilmington, 21- Dover, 22- Vineland-Millville-Bridgeton, 23- Atlantic City, 24- Ocean City