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2001-2002 Industry Trends Report Now Available

MIDDLETOWN, Pa – Industry classification systems have changed, and this change is reflected in the new report, *Pennsylvania County Industry Trends 2001-2002*. The North American Industry Classification (NAICS) system developed by the United States, Canada and Mexico is the industry classification system used in this report. Previous reports used the Standard Industry Classification (SIC) system. This report was produced by the Pennsylvania State Data Center in partnership with Penn State University's Technical Assistance Program (PENNTAP), Team Pennsylvania Foundation and the Center for Workforce Information and Analysis.

Pennsylvania County Industry Trends 2001-2002 provides information on business establishments and average monthly employment for the second quarter of the years 2001 to 2002 by county and industrial sector. The data in this report applies only to employers covered under Pennsylvania's Unemployment Compensation Law. These employers account for about 95 percent of all of all of Pennsylvania's nonagricultural wage and salary employment.

The number of businesses in Pennsylvania decreased for the first time in over a decade. The total number of business establishments in Pennsylvania decreased from 329,000 in 2001 to 315,349 in 2002 (Table 2). There were six Pennsylvania counties--Monroe, Chester, Adams, Tioga, Northampton and Lehigh--that showed an increase in their total number of establishments from 2001 to 2002. Monroe County (3.1 percent) posted the largest percentage increase between the two years, while Chester County (424 establishments) showed the largest numerical gain. Wayne County remained stable with a total of 1,420 establishments in both 2001 and 2002. All of the aforementioned counties, with the exception of Lehigh County, border neighboring states. Lehigh County is to the southwest of Northampton County.

Seven counties--Allegheny, Montgomery, Philadelphia, Bucks, Chester, Delaware and Lancaster --accounted for nearly 46 percent of the total business establishments in the commonwealth in 2002. The counties with the largest number of establishments in 2002 were Allegheny (34,713), Montgomery (26,537) and Philadelphia (25,885). These counties either contain or border the two most populated cities in the state, Pittsburgh and Philadelphia.

Following the trend of business establishments, the total number of employees in Pennsylvania decreased 1 percent from 5,598,751 employees in 2001 to 5,542,924 employees in 2002, a difference of 55,827 total employees. Twenty-seven of the sixty-seven counties in Pennsylvania increased their total number of employees from 2001 to 2002. Two Pennsylvania counties that border New Jersey, Pike County (6.1 percent) and Wayne County (5 percent), showed the highest percentage increases in the number of employees in the state between 2001 and 2002. Two other

Pennsylvania counties that border New Jersey, Northampton County (1,740 employees) and Monroe County (1,459 employees), posted the largest numerical gain in employees between the two years in the commonwealth.

There were 44,805 retail trade establishments in Pennsylvania in 2002 (Table 1), which accounted for the largest number of establishments in an industry sector in the commonwealth. The educational services industry had the largest increase in the number of establishments (72) between 2001 and 2002 followed by the public administration industry with an increase of 35. Statewide, twelve of the twenty major industry sectors showed a decrease in between 2001 and 2002. The health care and social assistance (20,530), educational services (12,952) and accommodation and food services (8,465) industries showed the largest gain in employment during this time period.

For additional information, please contact the State Capital Office of the Pennsylvania State Data Center at 717.772.2710.

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NAICS Code	Major Industry Group	Total Number of Establishments	Total Number of Employees
	All Pennsylvania Establishments	315,349	5,542,924
11	Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	1,919	24,318
21	Mining	926	18,385
22	Utilities	1,221	41,157
23	Construction	31,162	261,295
31-33	Manufacturing	18,470	767,546
42	Wholesale Trade	23,342	225,987
44-45	Retail Trade	44,805	665,408
48-49	Transportation and Warehousing	9,211	246,451
51	Information	5,984	131,517
52	Finance and Insurance	17,679	267,052
53	Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	9,032	70,137
54	Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	32,107	284,318
55	Management of Companies and Enterprises	1,008	58,549
56	Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services	15,021	273,361
61	Educational Services	5,949	482,205
62	Health Care and Social Assistance	30,562	790,901
71	Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	4,327	83,085
72	Accommodation and Food Services	23,877	397,489
81	Other Services (except Public Administration)	33,950	188,865
92	Public Administration	4,797	264,898

Table 2. Total Number of Establishments and Employees, Pennsylvania Counties 2001-2002

County	Total Number of Establishments			Total Number of Employees		
	2001	2002	Percent Change	2001	2002	Percent Change
Pennsylvania	329,000	315,349	-4.1	5,598,751	5,542,924	-1.0
Adams	1,881	1,926	2.4	31,557	32,547	3.1
Allegheny	35,622	34,713	-2.6	717,355	707,511	-1.4
Armstrong	1,487	1,429	-3.9	19,369	18,897	-2.4
Beaver	3,589	3,465	-3.5	57,589	56,225	-2.4
Bedford	1,180	1,123	-4.8	16,590	16,388	-1.2
Berks	9,089	8,416	-7.4	166,382	163,416	-1.8
Blair	3,385	3,200	-5.5	58,412	58,741	0.6
Bradford	1,441	1,407	-2.4	23,055	22,996	-0.3
Bucks	19,671	18,487	-6.0	249,209	248,772	-0.2
Butler	4,414	4,224	-4.3	69,311	69,428	0.2
Cambria	3,688	3,594	-2.5	58,060	56,933	-1.9
Cameron	170	163	-4.1	2,665	2,518	-5.5
Carbon	1,264	1,171	-7.4	16,821	16,353	-2.8
Centre	3,254	3,123	-4.0	63,800	64,552	1.2
Chester	14,332	14,756	3.0	218,824	216,433	-1.1
Clarion	1,142	1,107	-3.1	14,799	14,919	0.8
Clearfield	2,218	2,116	-4.6	32,039	32,887	2.6
Clinton	869	830	-4.5	12,703	12,789	0.7
Columbia	1,557	1,532	-1.6	24,579	24,703	0.5
Crawford	2,377	2,222	-6.5	32,280	31,338	-2.9
Cumberland	5,377	5,308	-1.3	123,667	123,879	0.2
Dauphin	6,866	6,649	-3.2	175,193	175,948	0.4
Delaware	14,116	13,109	-7.1	215,156	214,008	-0.5
Elk	1,065	1,006	-5.5	16,192	15,626	-3.5
Erie	7,266	6,910	-4.9	129,851	127,084	-2.1
Fayette	3,257	2,990	-8.2	39,830	40,982	2.9
Forest	167	160	-4.2	1,662	1,677	0.9
Franklin	2,900	2,855	-1.6	48,254	48,120	-0.3
Fulton	327	306	-6.4	5,354	4,967	-7.2
Greene	786	718	-8.7	11,704	11,786	0.7
Huntingdon	946	917	-3.1	13,067	12,866	-1.5
Indiana	2,095	1,965	-6.2	31,225	30,553	-2.2
Jefferson	1,269	1,212	-4.5	14,909	15,220	2.1
Juniata	506	489	-3.4	6,031	6,263	3.8
Lackawanna	5,669	5,535	-2.4	99,149	97,473	-1.7
Lancaster	11,469	11,150	-2.8	220,084	220,499	0.2
Lawrence	2,305	2,158	-6.4	32,080	31,477	-1.9
Lebanon	2,602	2,480	-4.7	43,951	44,021	0.2
Lehigh	7,993	7,997	0.1	174,524	169,289	-3.0
Luzerne	7,805	7,719	-1.1	143,691	139,773	-2.7
Lycoming	3,177	2,984	-6.1	54,099	52,210	-3.5
McKean	1,337	1,261	-5.7	18,423	17,965	-2.5

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County	Total Number of Establishments			Total Number of Employees		
	2001	2002	Percent Change	2001	2002	Percent Change
Mercer	3,262	3,052	-6.4	49,394	48,438	-1.9
Mifflin	1,006	964	-4.2	15,862	15,331	-3.3
Monroe	3,606	3,717	3.1	49,950	51,409	2.9
Montgomery	28,435	26,537	-6.7	488,949	483,395	-1.1
Montour	414	378	-8.7	12,300	12,576	2.2
Northampton	5,761	5,790	0.5	89,489	91,229	1.9
Northumberland	2,119	1,965	-7.3	30,983	30,012	-3.1
Philadelphia	27,428	25,885	-5.6	662,775	654,434	-1.3
Perry	850	803	-5.5	8,262	8,323	0.7
Pike	902	897	-0.6	8,419	8,932	6.1
Potter	509	462	-9.2	7,857	7,458	-5.1
Schuylkill	3,128	3,076	-1.7	49,408	48,978	-0.9
Snyder	942	909	-3.5	16,628	17,061	2.6
Somerset	2,021	1,905	-5.7	26,890	26,123	-2.9
Sullivan	222	203	-8.6	1,731	1,772	2.4
Susquehanna	893	886	-0.8	8,687	8,637	-0.6
Tioga	931	948	1.8	13,245	13,254	0.1
Union	897	847	-5.6	17,976	17,343	-3.5
Venango	1,391	1,318	-5.2	21,781	21,466	-1.4
Warren	1,028	973	-5.4	16,973	15,952	-6.0
Washington	5,385	4,945	-8.2	74,486	73,870	-0.8
Wayne	1,420	1,420	0.0	13,681	14,363	5.0
Westmoreland	9,684	8,892	-8.2	136,019	134,944	-0.8
Wyoming	711	686	-3.5	10,056	10,232	1.8
York	8,299	8,148	-1.8	167,042	165,363	-1.0
Unknown	15,826	14,861	-6.1	96,413	91,997	-4.6

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