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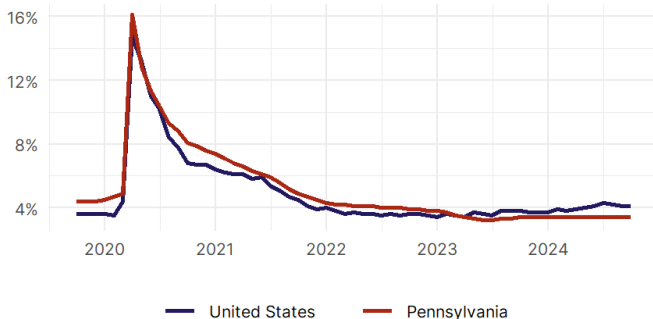
United States Employment Snapshot

- In October, among the 50 states and the District of Columbia **unemployment fell in 8, rose in 22, and remained unchanged in 21.**
- The highest unemployment rate was 5.7 percent in **District of Columbia and Nevada**, and the lowest was 1.9 percent in **South Dakota**. Nationally, the unemployment rate remained unchanged in October.
- In October, **payroll jobs rose in 21 states and fell in 30.** The largest payroll job percent increase was 0.4 percent in **Idaho**. The largest payroll job percent decline was 1 percent in **Washington**.

Pennsylvania Employment Snapshot

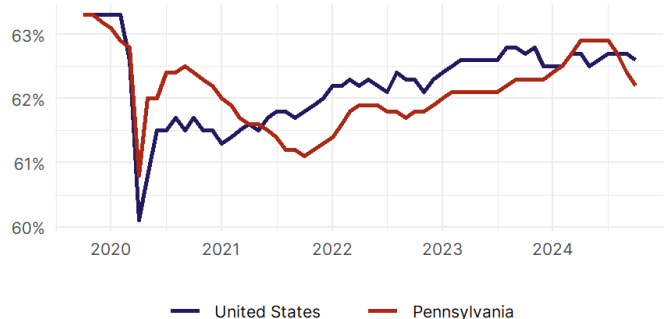
- In October, **Pennsylvania lost 1,400 net payroll jobs** and the **unemployment rate remained unchanged at 3.4 percent.** In the prior month, Pennsylvania added 7,900 net payroll jobs.
- Over the past 12 months, **Pennsylvania added 97,800 net payroll jobs** and the **unemployment rate remained unchanged.**
- Nationally, nonfarm payrolls **rose by 12,000 in October, or 0 percent.** Pennsylvania **is tied for 14th** in the nation for percentage gain in nonfarm payroll employment over the past 12 months.
- In October, **Pennsylvania's private sector lost 2,000 net private payroll jobs**, and over the past 12 months it added 91,000 private payroll jobs. In the prior month, Pennsylvania added 8,400 net private payroll jobs.
- In October, employment in Pennsylvania **fell by 26,170**, and over the past 12 months it fell by 8,833.
- **Pennsylvania's labor force participation rate fell to 62.2 percent** in October from 62.4 percent and **is tied for 32nd** in the nation. In the past 12 months, the labor force participation rate has fallen by 0.1 percentage points.

Pennsylvania Unemployment Rate



Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, data is seasonally adjusted

Pennsylvania Labor Force Participation Rate



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