



Pennsylvania Economic Indicators

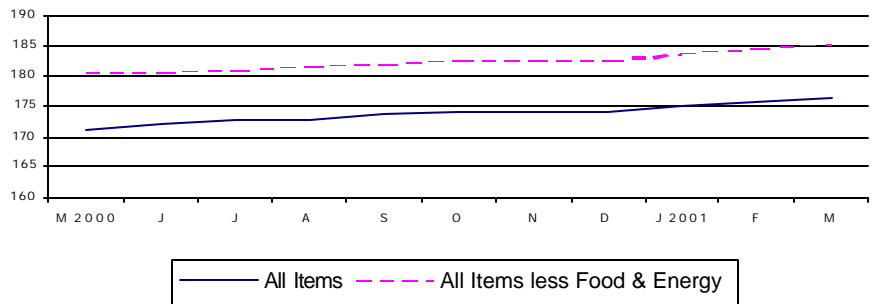
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Consumer Price Index

The Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) increased to 176.2 in March 2001 from 175.8 in February. This represents a 2.9 percent increase from March 2000. On a seasonally adjusted basis, the CPI-U rose by 0.06 percent in March 2001 after increasing 0.3 percent in February. Excluding food and energy, the CPI-U (not seasonally adjusted) increased to 185.3 in March 2001. This represents a 2.7 percent increase from March 2000.

Source: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

United States, March 2000 - March 2001 (Not Seasonally Adjusted)



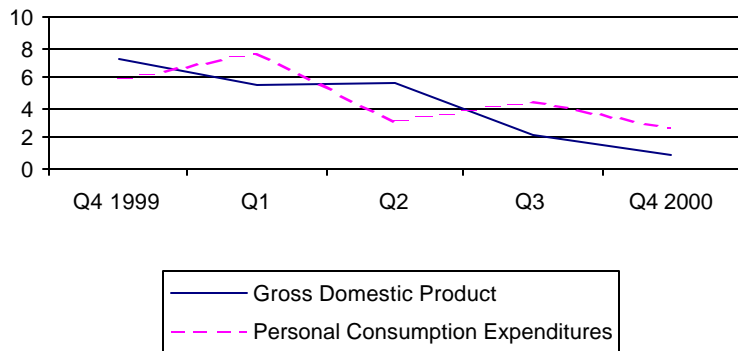
Gross Domestic Product

Real gross domestic product (GDP) increased at an annual rate of 1.0 percent in the fourth quarter of 2000 after a 2.2 percent increase in the third quarter, according to the national income and product accounts (NIPA's). Real personal consumption expenditures (PCE) increased 2.8 percent after increasing 4.5 percent in the third quarter 2000. Durable goods purchases decreased 3.1 percent, compared to a 7.6 percent increase in the third quarter. Nondurable goods increased 1.0 percent and services increased 4.9 percent.

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis.

Note: 4th Quarter 2000 is most current data available.

Percent Change in Gross Domestic Product (Seasonally Adjusted Rates) United States, Fourth Quarter 1999 - Fourth Quarter 2000



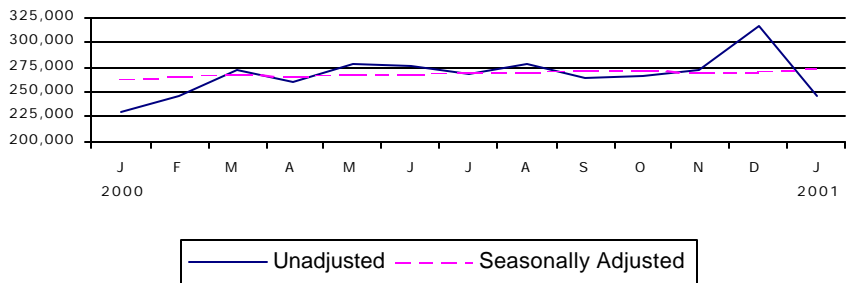
Retail Sales

Retail sales for January 2001 of \$244,944 million represent a 22.7 percent decrease from December 2000 and a 6.6 percent increase from January 2000. On a seasonally adjusted basis, retail sales increased 1.3 percent from December 2000, and 4.3 percent from January 2000.

January 2001 are most recent final figures.

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census.

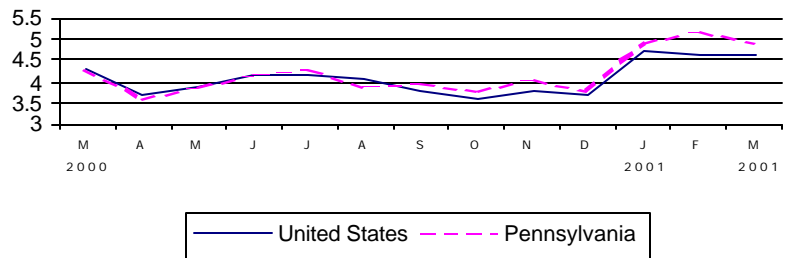
Retail Sales - Millions of Current Dollars: United States, January 2000 - January 2001



Unemployment Rate

The national unemployment rate remained steady at 4.6 percent in February and March of 2001. Pennsylvania's unemployment rate decreased from 5.2 percent in February 2001 to 4.9 percent in March 2001. But Pennsylvania's rate increased from 4.3 percent in March of 2000.

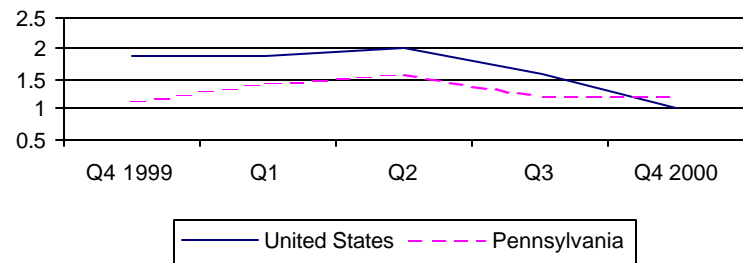
States and Pennsylvania, Fourth Quarter 1999 - Fourth Quarter 2000



Source: Pennsylvania Department of Labor and Industry.

Personal Income

Personal income rose 1.0 percent nationally in the fourth quarter of 2000 to \$8,523,172 million. Pennsylvania saw an increase of 1.2 percent to \$369,589 million. National per capita personal income stood at \$29,676 in 2000, a 4.0 percent rise from 1999. Pennsylvania, at \$29,539, showed a 3.3 percent increase and ranked 18th in the nation.



Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis.

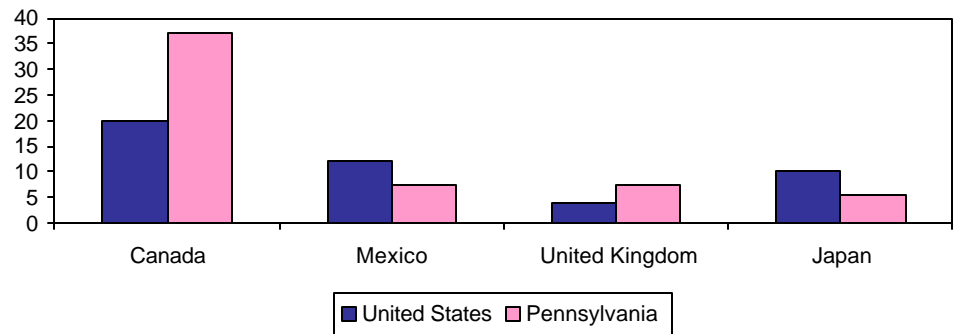
Note: 4th Quarter 2000 is the most current data available. 2000 most current for per capita.

Exports

In 2000, 16.1 percent of Pennsylvania's exports were industrial machinery and computer equipment. Other top categories were electronics and electrical equipment (14.5 percent) and chemicals and allied products (13.3 percent). Pennsylvania ranked 10th in the nation in 2000 exporting 2.6 percent of the nation's total exports. Canada remained the top destination country for exports, receiving 19.7 percent of U.S. totals and 37.2 percent of Pennsylvania's.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, refined by Massachusetts Institute for Social and Economic Research (MISER).

Percent of Total Exports by Top Destination Countries: United States and Pennsylvania, 2000



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