

Northwest Region Labor Market Status Report -- February 2009

Civilian Labor Force:

change since last... month year

Northwest Region	↑	↑
Pennsylvania	↑	↑
United States	↑	↑

Employed Population:

change since last... month year

Northwest Region	↓	↓
Pennsylvania	↓	↓
United States	↓	↓

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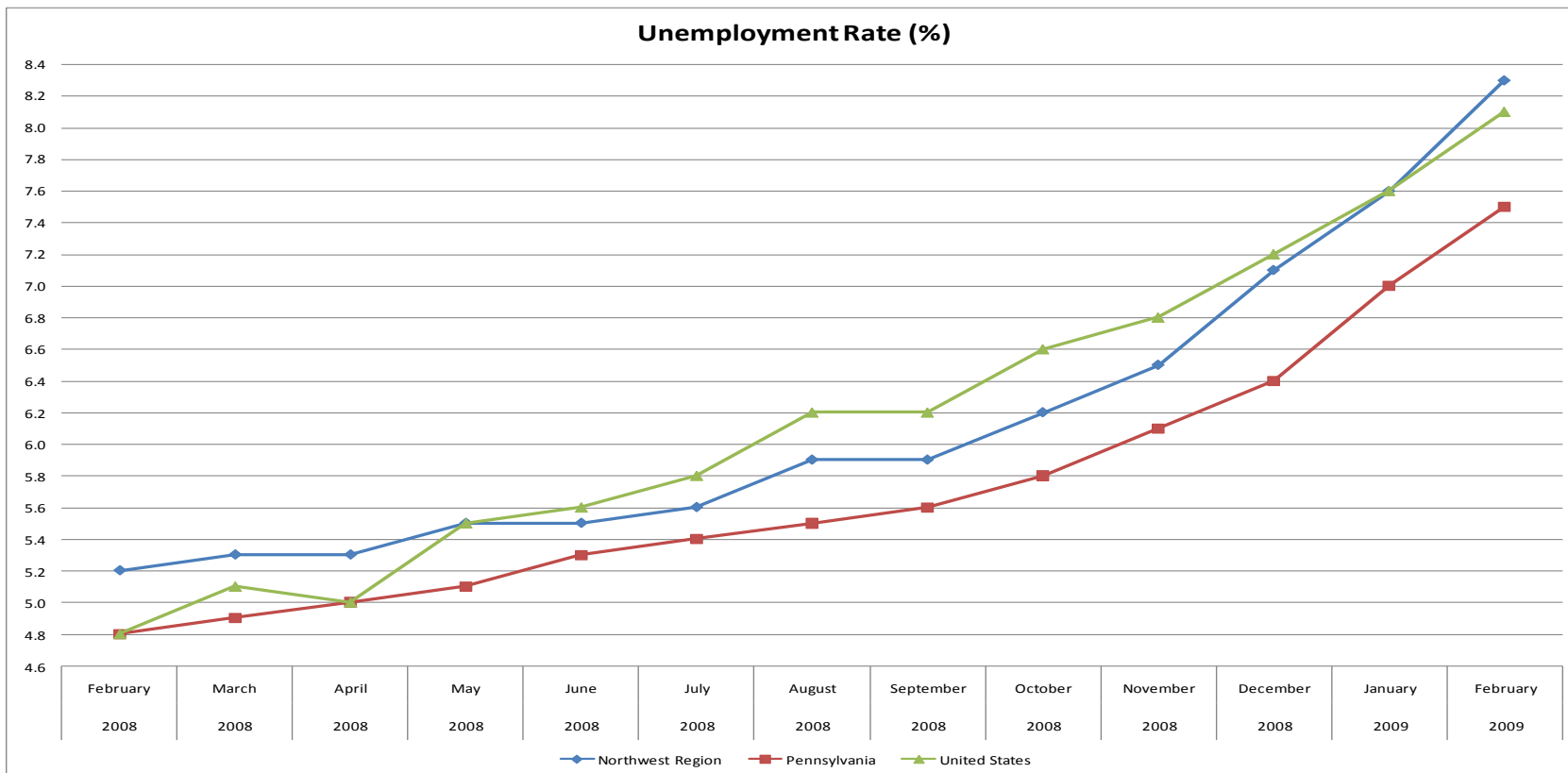
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Unemployment Rate:

change since last... month year

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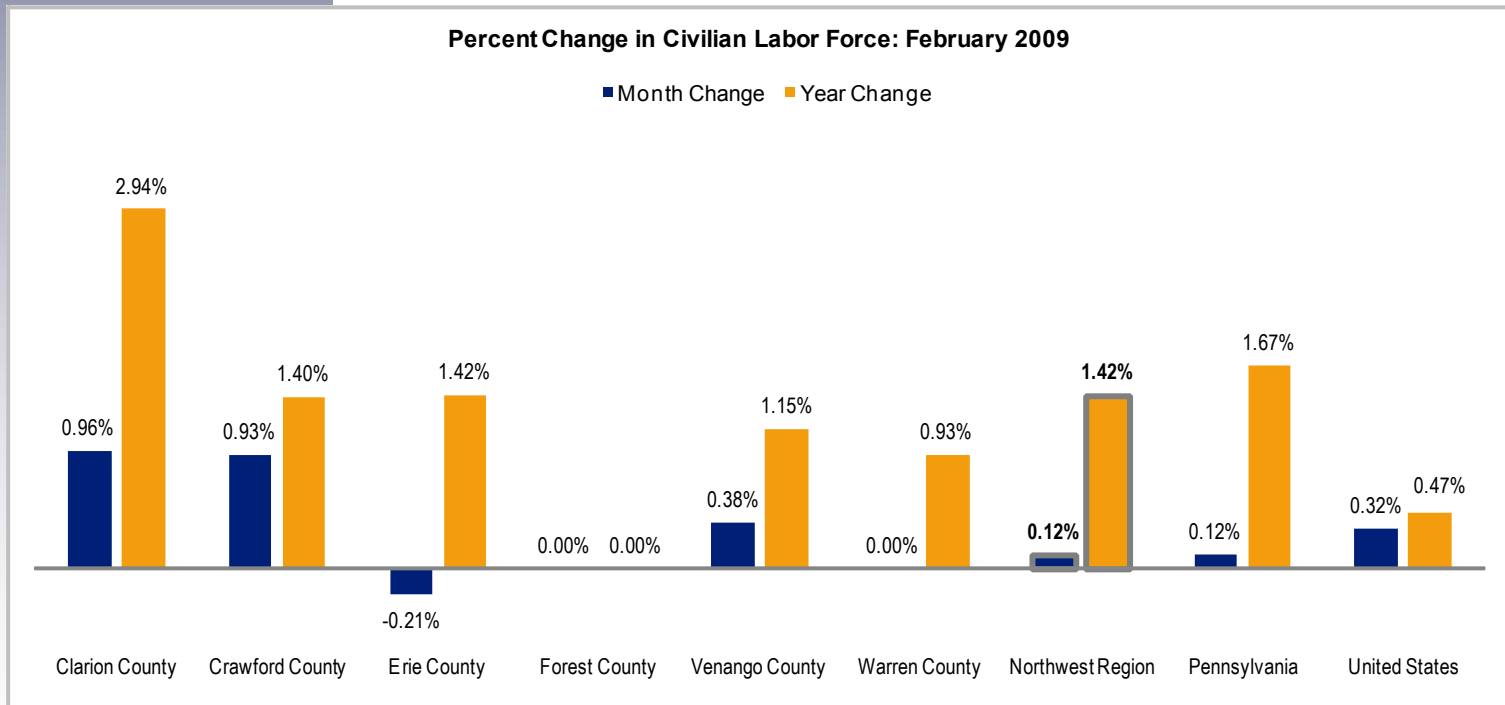
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Civilian Labor Force

Clarion County	21,000
Crawford County	43,500
Erie County	142,700
Forest County	2,400
Venango County	26,400
Warren County	21,600

The labor force is comprised of individuals who are working, waiting for a layoff to end, or are actively seeking work. The graph below highlights changes in the civilian labor force as a percentage of an area's total civilian labor force.

	Change Since		
	February 2009	January 2009	February 2008
Northwest Region	257,700	300	3,600
Pennsylvania	6,455,000	8,000	106,000
United States	154,214,000	498,000	716,000



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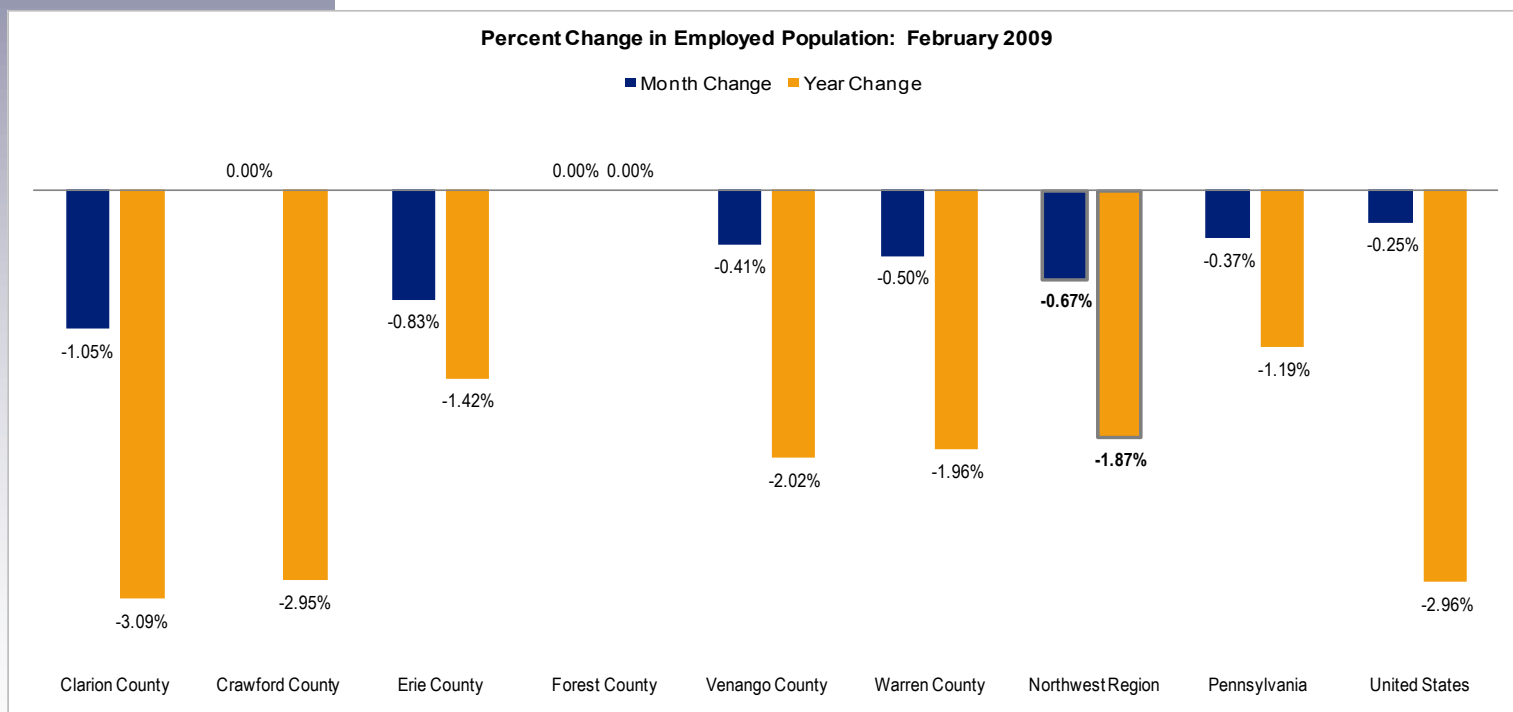
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Employed Population

Clarion County	18,800
Crawford County	39,500
Erie County	131,500
Forest County	2,200
Venango County	24,200
Warren County	20,000

The employed population includes individuals who are working. The graph below highlights changes in employment as a percentage of an area's total employment.

	Change Since		
	February 2009	January 2009	February 2008
Northwest Region	236,400	-1,600	-4,500
Pennsylvania	5,973,000	-22,000	-72,000
United States	141,748,000	-351,000	-4,327,000



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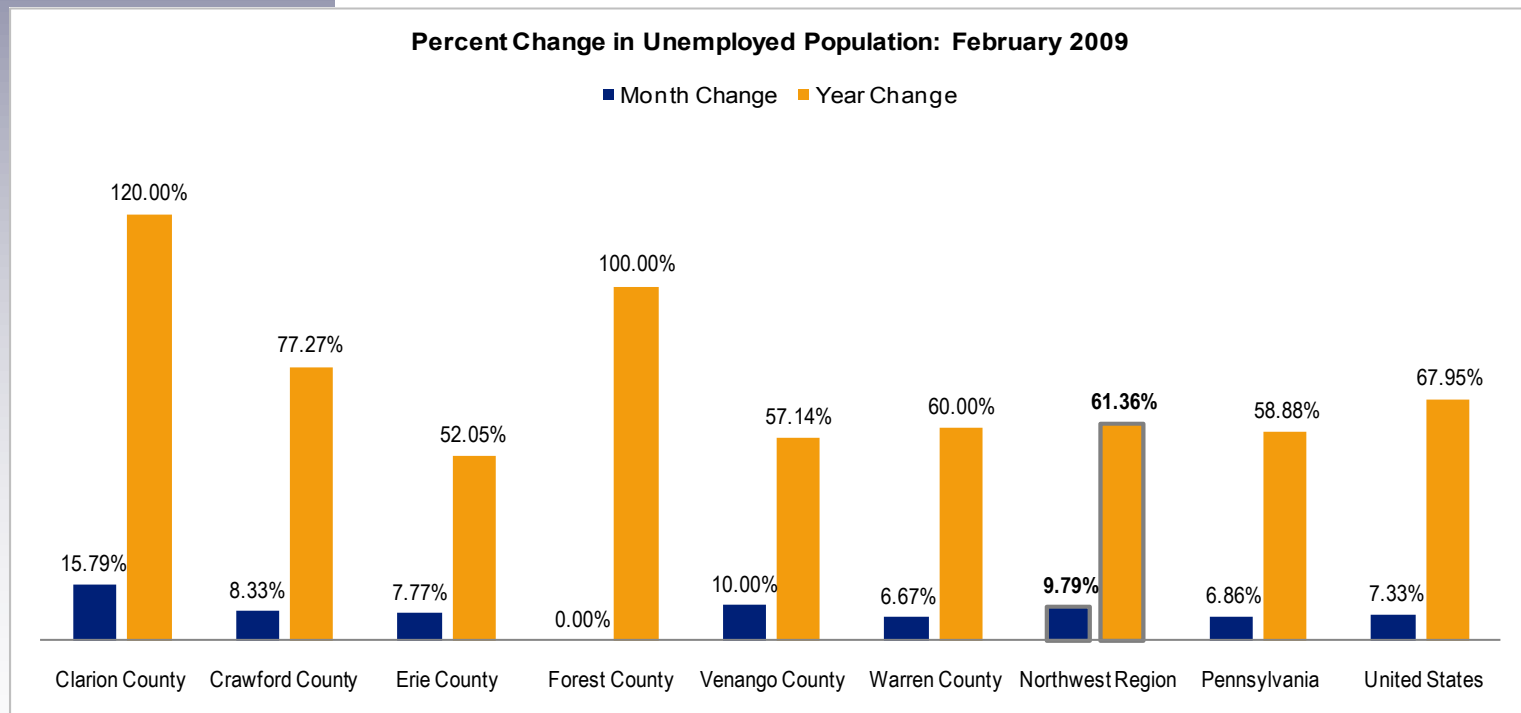
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Unemployed Population

Clarion County	2,200
Crawford County	3,900
Erie County	11,100
Forest County	200
Venango County	2,200
Warren County	1,600

The unemployed population is made up of individuals who are not working, but are waiting for a layoff to end or are actively seeking work. The graph below highlights changes in unemployment as a percentage of an area's total unemployment.

	Change Since		
	February 2009	January 2009	February 2008
Northwest Region	21,300	1,900	8,100
Pennsylvania	483,000	31,000	179,000
United States	12,467,000	851,000	5,044,000



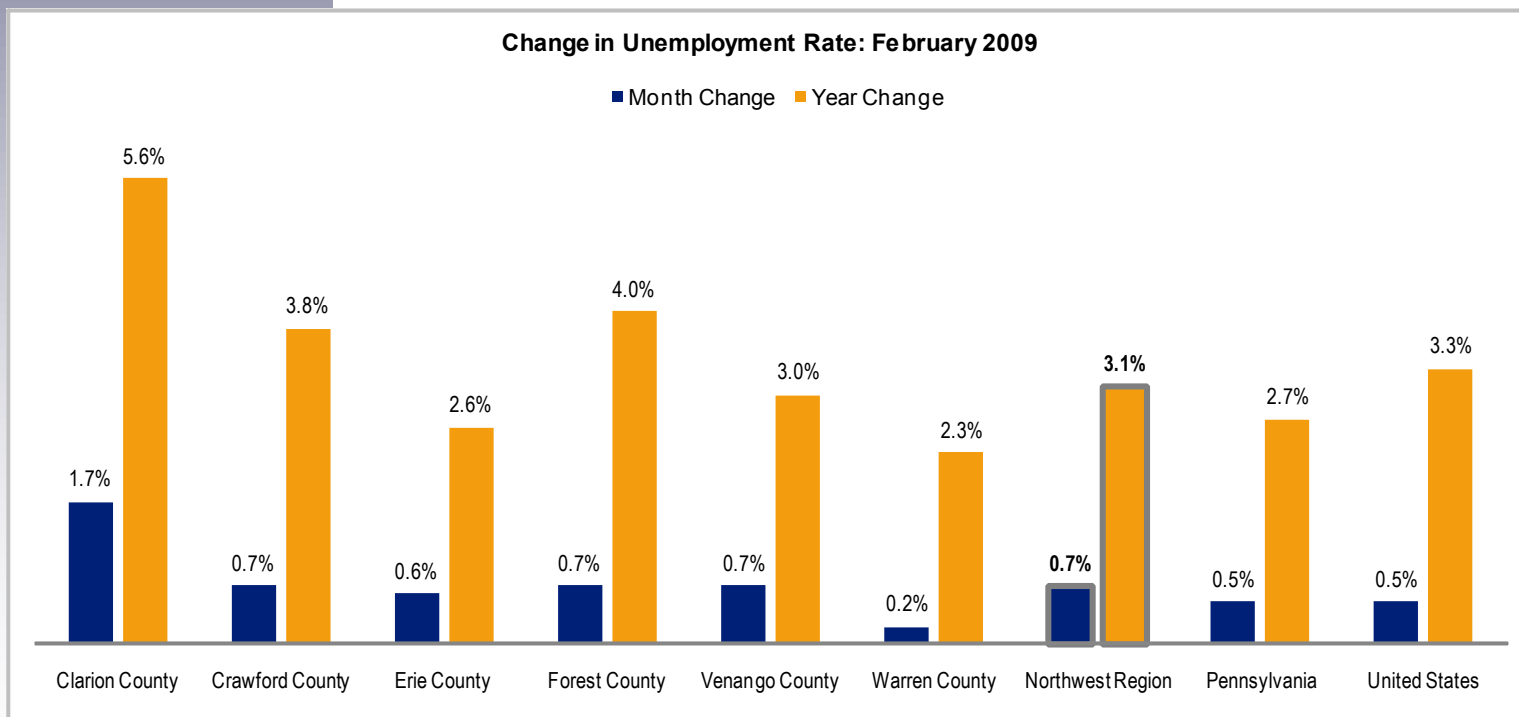
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Unemployment Rate (%)

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Clarion County	10.7	9.0	5.1
Crawford County	9.0	8.3	5.2
Erie County	7.8	7.2	5.2
Forest County	10.2	9.5	6.2
Venango County	8.2	7.5	5.2
Warren County	7.2	7.0	4.9
Northwest Region	8.3	7.6	5.2
Pennsylvania	7.5	7.0	4.8
United States	8.1	7.6	4.8

The unemployment rate represents the proportion of individuals in the civilian labor force who are not working, but are waiting for a layoff to end or are actively seeking work. The graph below highlights changes in unemployment rates.



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