

# GROWTH TRENDS

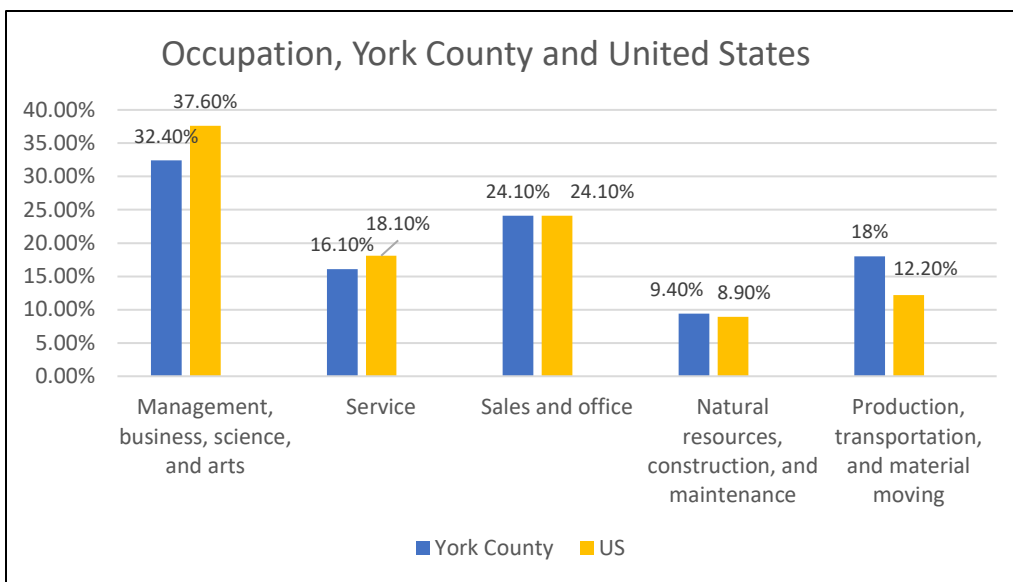
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## Employment Facts

According to the 2015 American Community Survey, there are 158.9 million people, age 16 years and over in the nation's labor force. In York County, of the 351,957 persons age 16 and older, 234,791 are participating in the labor force. 47% of the labor force is female. The unemployment rate for the United States is 5.7%, which is higher than York County at 4.9%. There are 8,821 employment establishments in York County. The County's average wage is \$49,277, which is lower than the PA average wage of \$59,447. Approximately 84% of York County workers drive to work alone, 8% carpool, and 2% walk to work.



Source: 2015 American Community Survey

According to the PA Department of Labor and Industry, Center for Workforce Analysis, the top five employers in York County, by number of employees, are:

- York Hospital
- Federal Government
- County of York
- Wal-Mart Associates, Inc.
- Giant Food Stores LLC

## LABOR DAY

Labor Day 2017 is on September 4th.

Observed on the first Monday in September, Labor Day pays tribute to the contributions and achievements of American workers. Following the deaths of workers during the Pullman Strike of 1894 in Chicago, the United States Congress unanimously voted to approve legislation to make Labor Day a national holiday and President Grover Cleveland signed it into law six days after the end of the strike.

Labor Day symbolizes the unofficial end of summer for many Americans. It is celebrated with picnics, parades and athletic events.

