

West Central Region Labor Market Status Report -- September 2009

Civilian Labor Force:

	change since last...	month	year
West Central Region	↓	↓	↓
Pennsylvania	↑	↓	↓
United States	↓	↓	↓

Employed Population:

	change since last...	month	year
West Central Region	↓	↓	↓
Pennsylvania	--	↓	↓
United States	↓	↓	↓

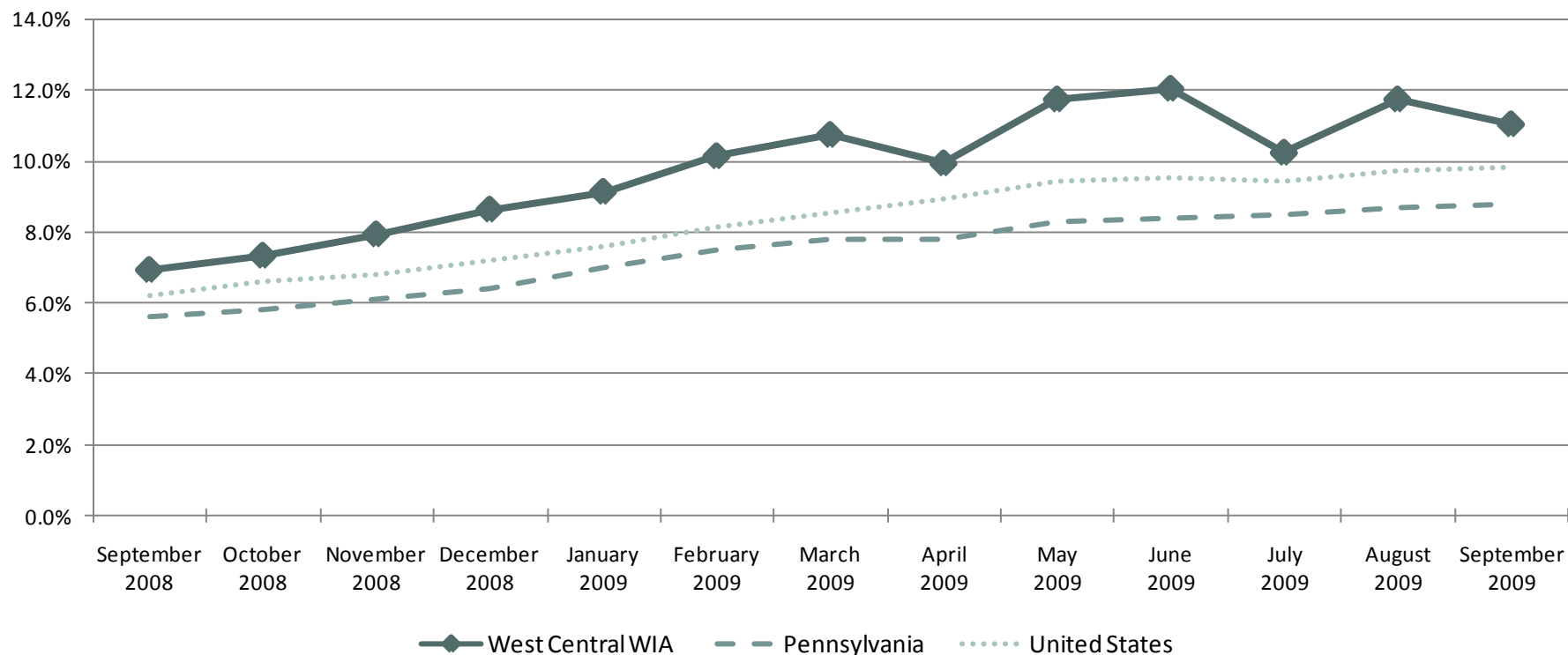
Unemployed Population:

	change since last...	month	year
West Central Region	↓	↑	↑
Pennsylvania	↑	↑	↑
United States	↑	↑	↑

Unemployment Rate:

	change since last...	month	year
West Central Region	↓	↑	↑
Pennsylvania	↑	↑	↑
United States	↑	↑	↑

Unemployment Rates



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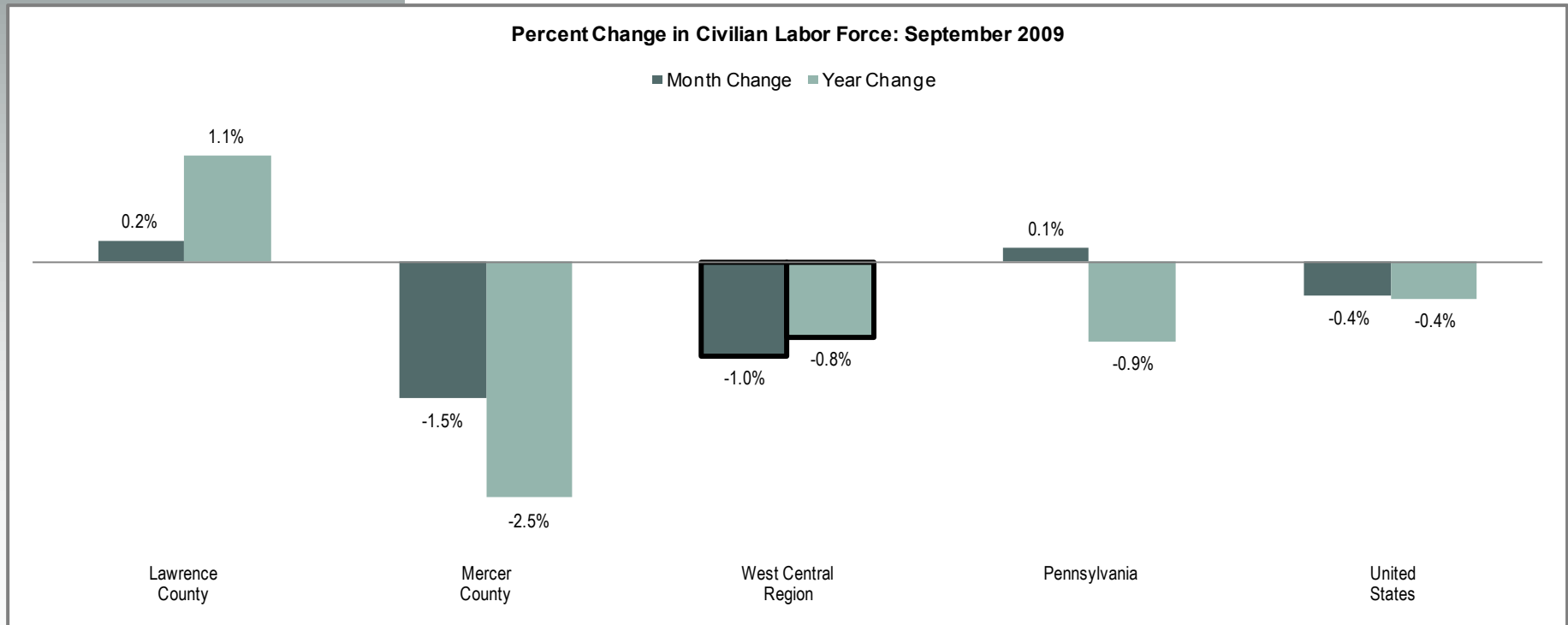
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Civilian Labor Force

Lawrence County	44,800
Mercer County	53,900

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		
	September 2009	August 2009	September 2008
West Central Region	98,400	-1,000	-800
Pennsylvania	6,368,000	9,000	-55,000
United States	154,006,000	-571,000	-615,000



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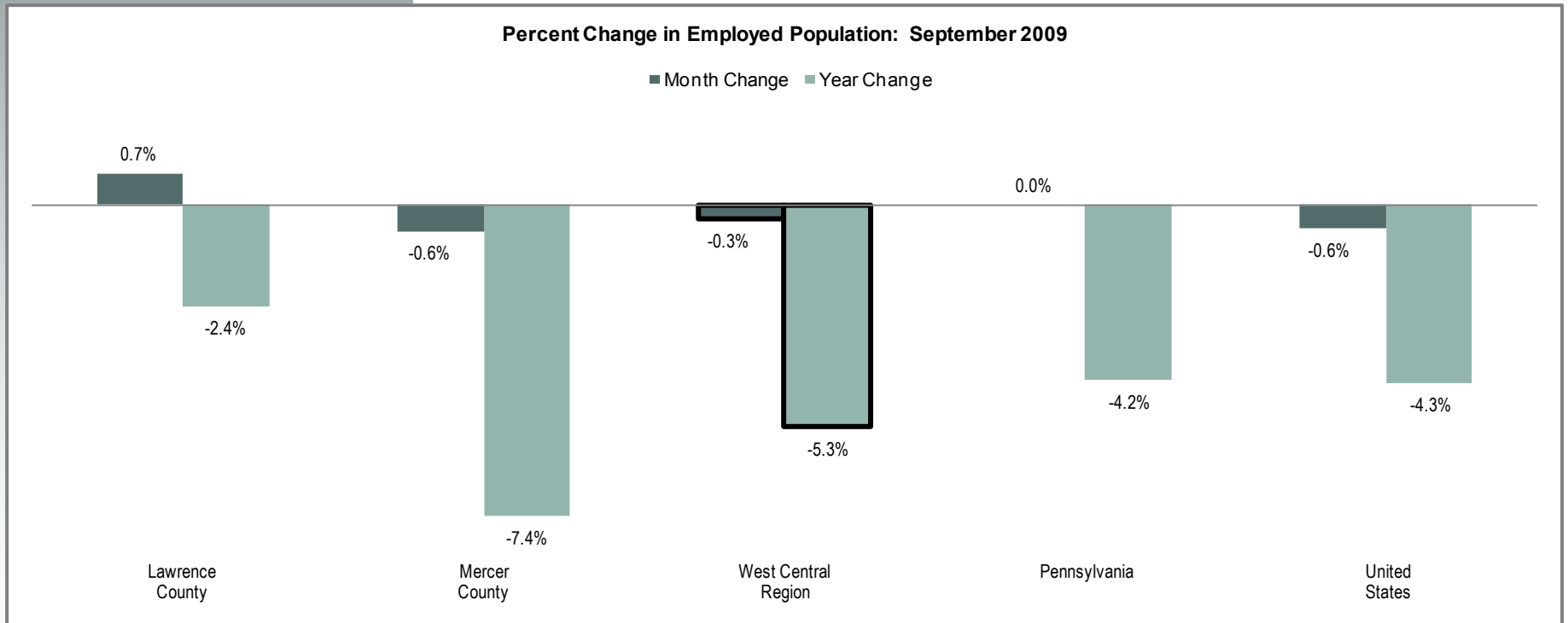
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Employed Population

Lawrence County	40,400
Mercer County	47,400

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		
	September 2009	August 2009	September 2008
West Central Region	87,500	-300	-4,900
Pennsylvania	5,809,000	0	-254,000
United States	138,864,000	-785,000	-6,165,000



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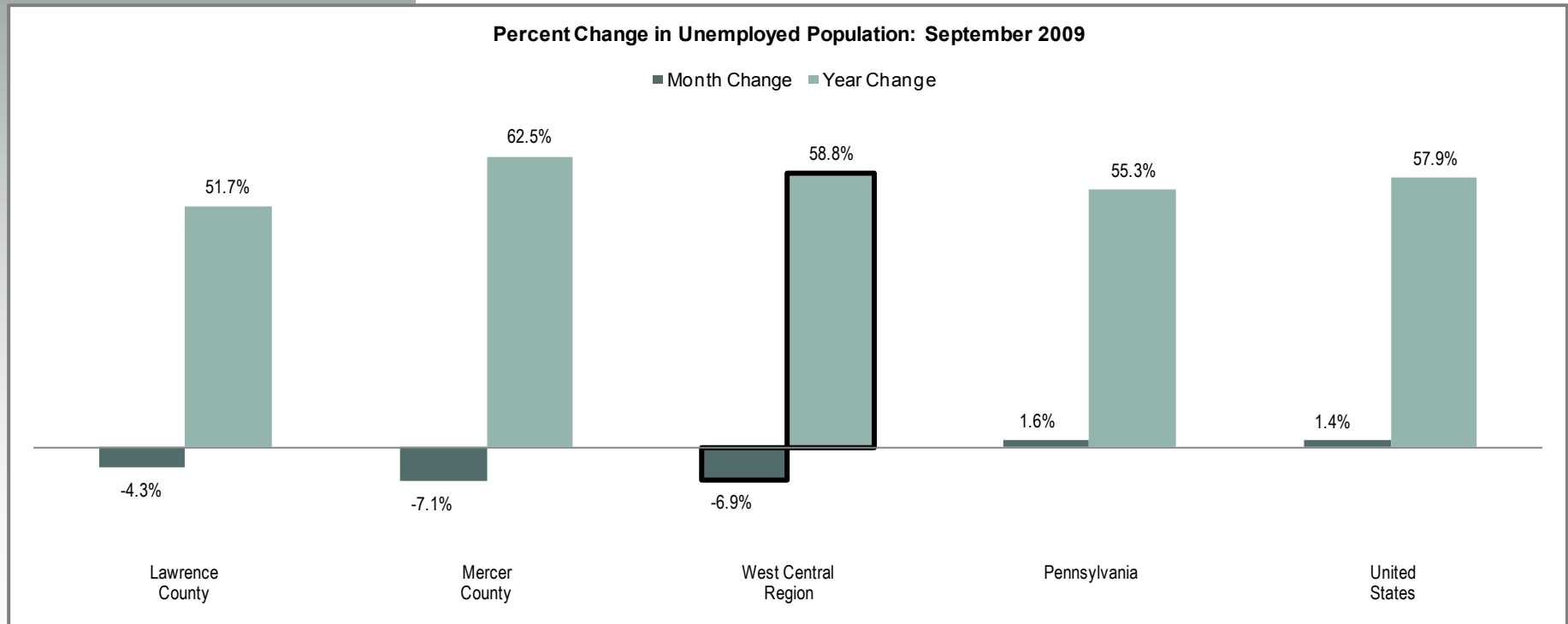
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Unemployed Population

Lawrence County 4,400
 Mercer County 6,500

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.

	September 2009	Change Since	
		August 2009	September 2008
West Central Region	10,800	-800	4,000
Pennsylvania	559,000	9,000	199,000
United States	15,142,000	214,000	5,550,000



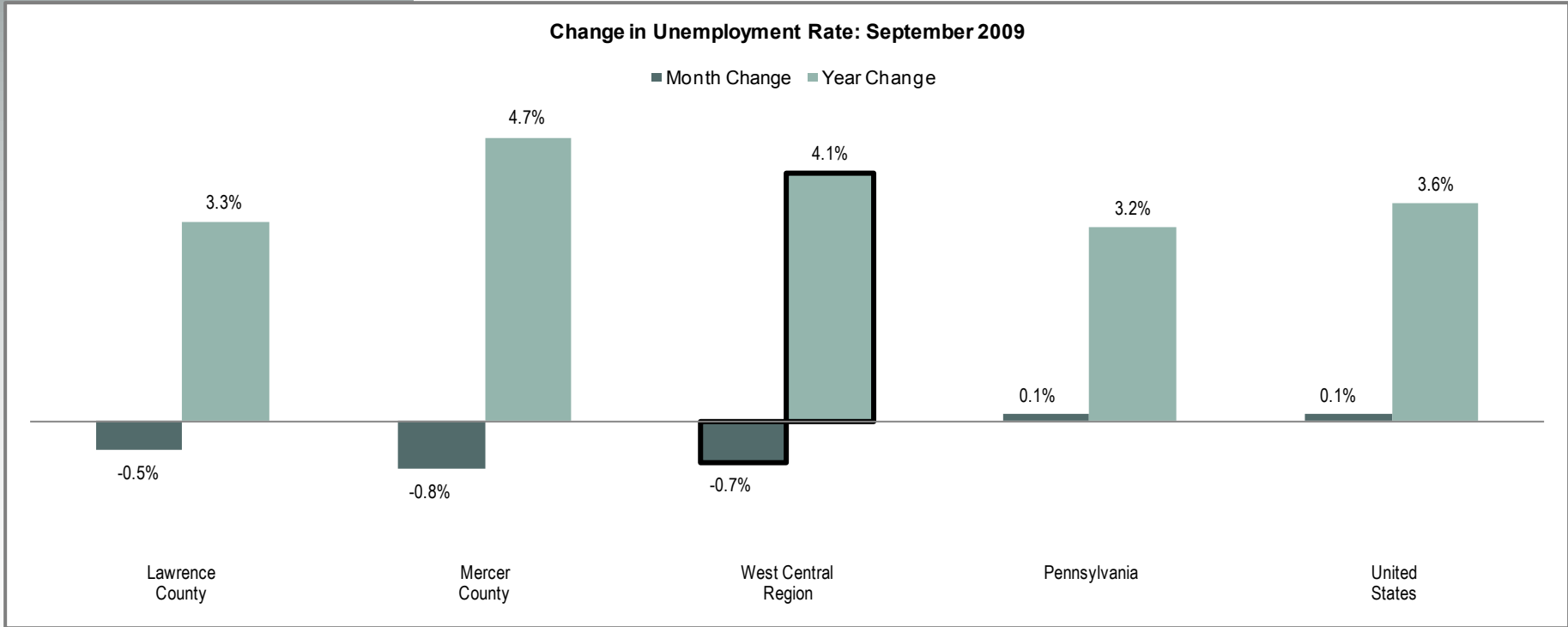
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Unemployment Rates

	September 2009	August 2009	September 2008
Lawrence County	9.8%	10.3%	6.5%
Mercer County	12.0%	12.8%	7.3%
West Central Region	11.0%	11.7%	6.9%
Pennsylvania	8.8%	8.7%	5.6%
United States	9.8%	9.7%	6.2%

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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