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THE PITTSBURGH MICROPOLITAN AREA ECONOMIC REPORT

Manufacturing Creates Good Jobs Locally

THE 53 MANUFACTURING ESTABLISHMENTS IN THE Pittsburgh Micropolitan Area provide 17.1 percent of all wages and 14.2 percent of all jobs in the area. The average annual wage in the local manufacturing industry is \$36,415 (20.9 percent above the average wage) and the value of average fringe benefits on top of wages (healthcare, employer's 401k contribution, etc.) is almost 31 percent.

In order to gauge how important the manufacturing industry is for the area economy, it is of value to look at one major employer in the local manufacturing industry. Pitt Plastics is a local manufacturing firm in

the plastics industry. The value of shipments in the plastics industry nationwide is more than \$380 billion including \$59 billion in exports and it employs 885,000 people. Companies in the plastics industry spend an average 65.5 percent of total revenue buying material inputs and services causing a significant ripple effect on supplier industries and the greater economy. Preliminary estimates show that sales in the industry increased 2.9 percent nationwide in 2013 making plastics a growing industry.

An annual report shows that Pitt Plastics, which produces plastic bags sold mostly out of state, provided 322

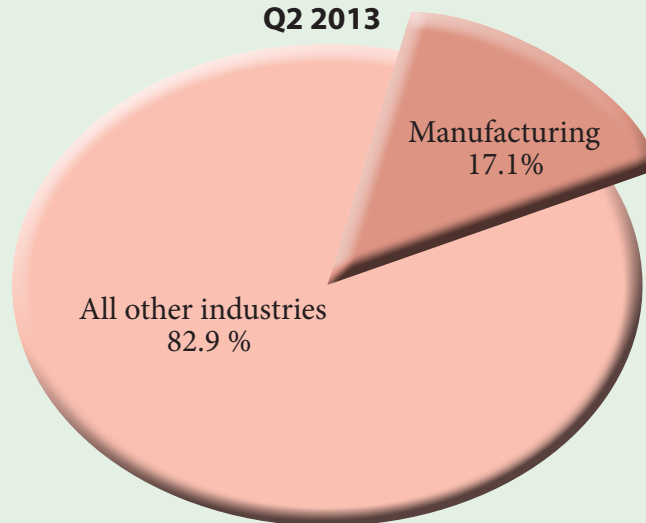
local jobs with a payroll of \$17.6 million (wages plus benefits).

The impact is significant according to the U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis, resulting in an additional 174 jobs in local supplier industries (and professional services) paying \$14.5 million in earnings (wages, benefits, proprietor income and profits for entrepreneurs) as well as 172 additional jobs in retail and services paying \$5.2 million in earnings. The overall economic impact on the Pittsburgh Micropolitan Area jobs market is 668 jobs and \$37.2 million in earnings.

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Total Wages Paid Pittsburg Micropolitan Area Q2 2013



Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics



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TOTAL EMPLOYMENT

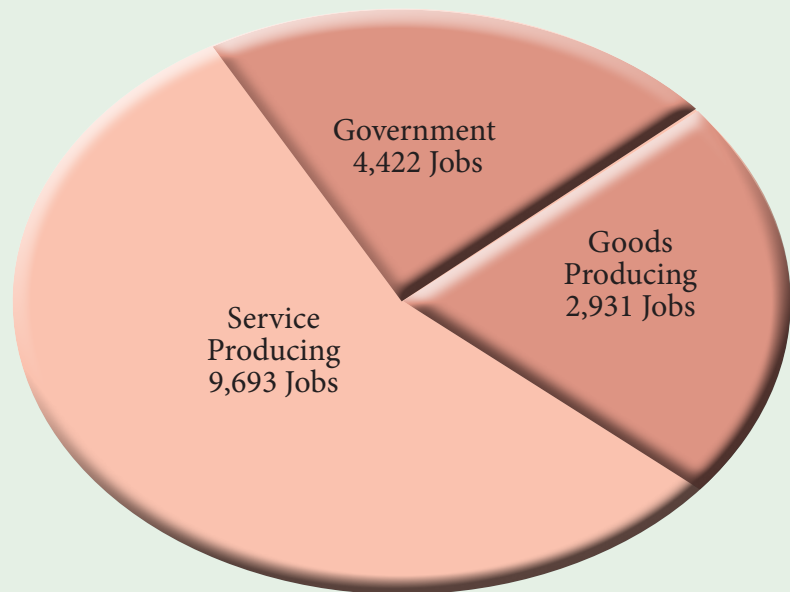
The Pittsburgh Micropolitan Area continues to have a relatively healthy job growth according to the latest available data for second quarter 2013. The average number of jobs (excludes family farming, self-employment, and domestic employment) increased to 17,046, up by 292 jobs (1.7 percent) from the second quarter 2012. Statewide, the number of jobs increased 1.1 percent and 1.6 percent nationwide.

The number of jobs in government (all levels) increased a whopping 4.2 percent in the Pittsburgh Micropolitan Area and 0.9 percent in the private sector (3.3 percent in the goods-producing industries and 0.2 percent in the service-producing industries).

The average monthly income during the second quarter was \$2,511 for all jobs, \$2,712 in government, \$2,440 in the overall private sector, \$2,993 in the goods-producing industries and \$2,273 in the service-producing industries. The average monthly income was \$3,377 statewide during the period and \$3,990 nationwide.

Number of Jobs Q2 2013

Pittsburg Micropolitan Area



Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

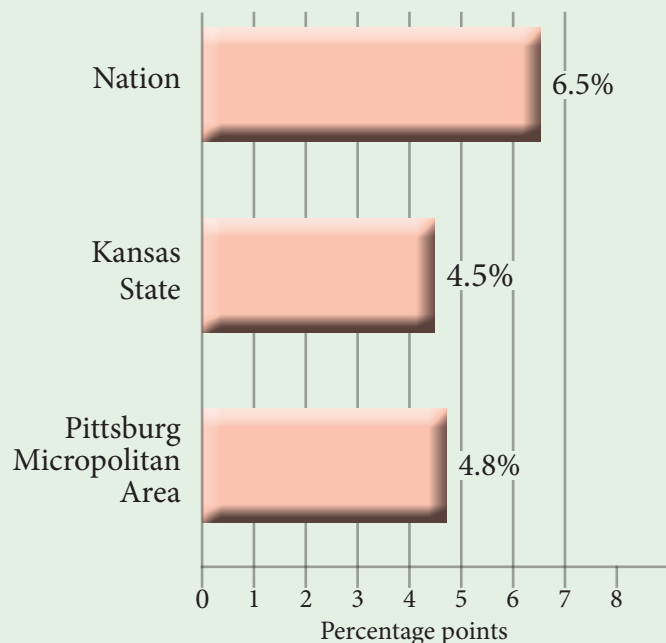
TOTAL UNEMPLOYMENT

The Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) calculates the unemployment rate from a nationwide household survey which asks the respondent if he/she considers him/her-self to be employed, unemployed, or not in the labor force. Approximately 19,721 people in the Pittsburgh Micropolitan Area in 2013 said that they were either self-employed, working unpaid in a family business, in farming, or working for someone else, up 3.2 percent from 2012.

The BLS survey also shows that the average unemployment rate was 7.4 percent nationwide in 2013 (down from 8.1 percent in 2012), 5.5 percent statewide (down from 5.7 percent) and 5.8 percent in the Pittsburgh Micropolitan Area (down from 6.3 percent). The December unemployment rate was 6.5 percent nationwide (down from 7.6 percent), 4.5 percent statewide (down from 5.2 percent) and 4.8 percent in the Pittsburgh Micropolitan Area (down from 5.4 percent).

Unemployment December 2013

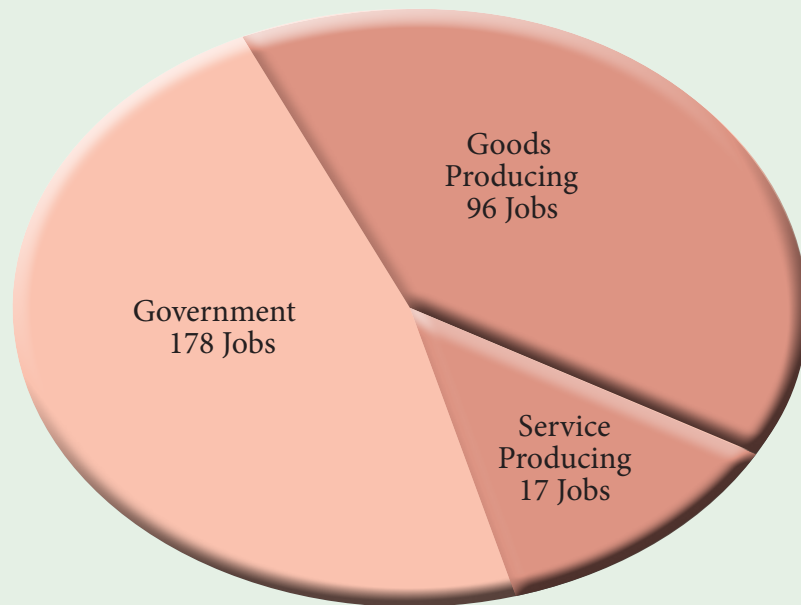
Pittsburg Micropolitan Area



Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

Job Growth Q2 2012 - Q2 2013

Pittsburg Micropolitan Area



Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

JOB GROWTH BY INDUSTRY

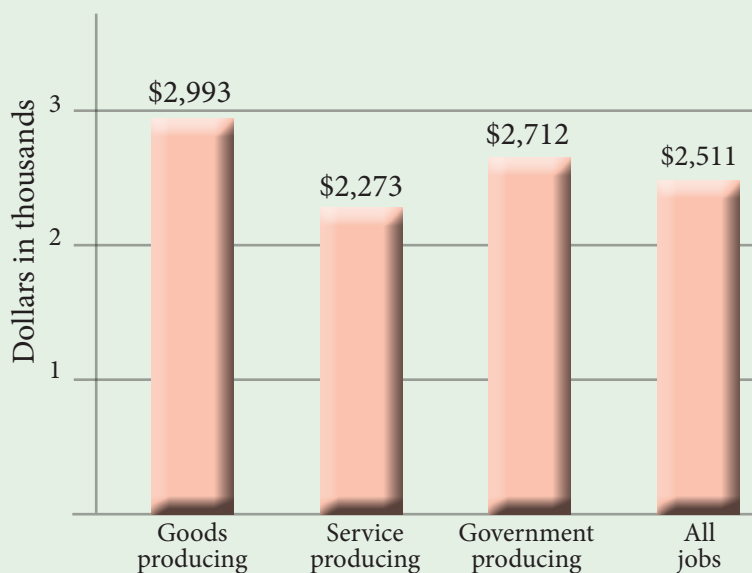
There were 292 jobs created in the Pittsburg Micropolitan Area during the Q2'12-Q2'13 period. Six industries added 384 jobs: Government (all levels) added 178 jobs of which 148 were created in local government; Trade, Transportation, and Utilities added 73 jobs; Manufacturing, 69 jobs; Financial Activities, 37 jobs; Natural Resources and Mining, 15 jobs; and Construction, 12 jobs.

However, during the same period, five industries lost a total of 93 jobs of which: Information lost 32 jobs; Other Services (machinery repairing, religious services, etc.), 28 jobs; Leisure and Hospitality, 15 jobs; Education and Health Services, 14 jobs; and Professional and Business Services, 4 jobs.

Statewide, Professional and Business Services contributed most to job growth, adding 7,368 jobs, followed by Education and Health Services (1,793 jobs) and Leisure and Hospitality (1,590 jobs). Education and Health Services was the fastest growing industry nationwide, adding 797,537 jobs.

Average Monthly Wages Q2 2013

Pittsburg Micropolitan Area



Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

INCOMES BY INDUSTRY

During the second quarter of 2013, the average monthly federal government wage was \$3,895, followed by state government at \$3,665, and \$2,347 in local government. The Information industry led highest private wage with \$4,005, followed by: Natural Resources and Mining \$3,388; Financial Activities \$3,264; Manufacturing \$3,035; Professional and Business Services \$2,828; Construction \$2,668; Educational and Health Services \$2,572; Trade, Transportation, Utilities \$2,398; other Services \$1,923; and Leisure and Hospitality \$865. The information industry had the highest monthly wages both statewide \$5,235 and nationwide \$6,615.

Four industries pay almost 78 percent of all wages in the Pittsburg Micropolitan Area. Government paid 28 percent of all local wages during the period, followed by manufacturing 17.1 percent; Trade, Transportation, Utilities 16.9 percent; and Education and Health Services 14.7 percent. The other seven industries paid 23.3 percent.

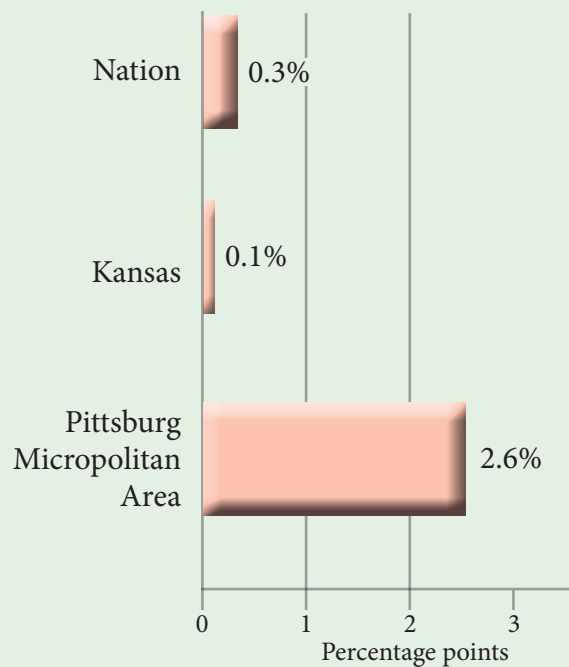
LABOR FORCE

The number of jobs created nationwide have not kept up with the population growth and some people looking for jobs have given up and dropped out of the labor force. The Bureau of Labor Statistics reports that there were 92.3 million people not in the labor force in December 2013, up by 2.9 million from December 2012. The average labor force participation (labor force / population 16+) was 62.6 percent in 2013, the lowest it has been since the late 1970's.

There were 818 more people in the labor force in the Pittsburgh Metropolitan area in December 2013, up four percent from December 2012 but it declined 0.2 percent statewide and 0.3 percent nationwide. The average labor force in 2013 was 20,922 in the Pittsburgh Metropolitan Area (up 2.6 percent), 1,490,376 statewide (up 0.1 percent), and 155.4 million nationwide (up 0.3 percent).

Labor Force Growth

**Pittsburg Micropolitan Area
2012-2013**



Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

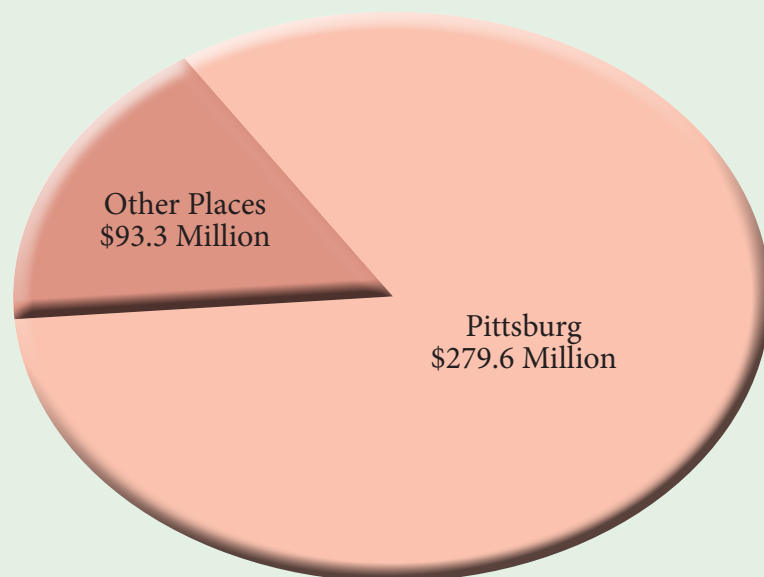
TAXABLE SALES

Bad weather and road conditions (among other factors) affected retail sales nationwide in December, according to the National Retail Federation, resulting in sluggish retail sales during the Christmas season. The Kansas Department of Revenue has not released the final estimates for December, but preliminary figures show that retail sales in the Pittsburgh Micropolitan Area were down during the Christmas season. However, some local retail centers did not experience a decline. Meadowbrook Mall (the only enclosed mall in Pittsburgh) reports that Christmas sales were about even with last year.

Total taxable sales increased to \$372.9 million in the Pittsburgh Micropolitan Area (Crawford County) during the first 11 months of 2013 (up 1.7 percent from the first eleven months in 2012), \$279.6 million in the city of Pittsburgh (up a robust 3.2 percent) and \$36 billion statewide (up 2.6 percent).

Taxable Sales

**Pittsburg Micropolitan Area
January - November 2013**



Source: Kansas Department of Revenue

Housing Sales Pittsburg Area



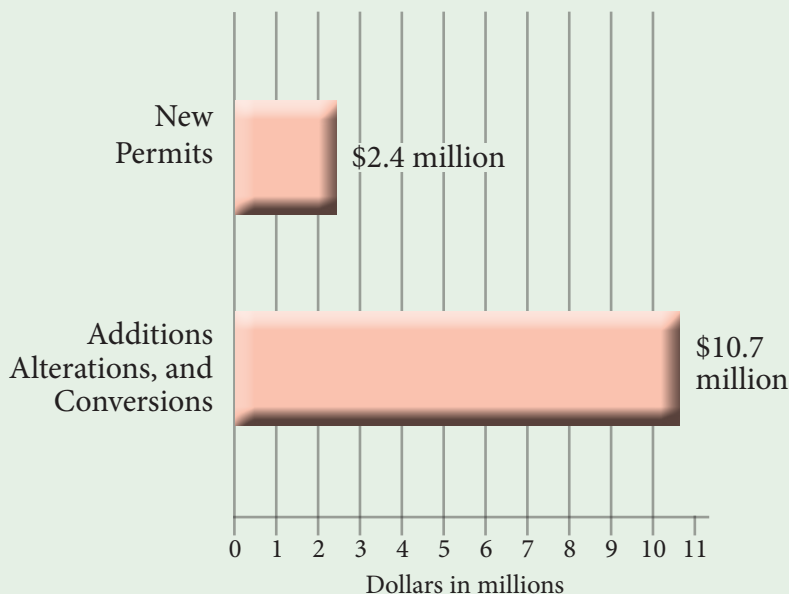
Source: Pittsburg Area Realtors Association

RESIDENTIAL PERMITS

The year begins well for local housing sales according to the Pittsburg Area Realtors Association with 25 properties sold in January (up from 24 in January 2013) with a median price rising to \$73,500 from \$63,000. There were 408 homes sold in 2013 (up from 382 in 2012) for a median price of \$65,000 (down from \$69,500). It took 129 days for the median home to sell in January (compared to 198 days in January 2012) and the median time to sell a home in 2013 was 109 days compared to 117 in 2012.

There were 25 new residential permits issued in Pittsburg during 2013 with a total value of \$4.5 million, down 42 percent from 2012. Residential building activity came to a halt during the last quarter of 2013 with no permits issued, but ten residential permits were issued during the last quarter of 2012 with a value of \$5.2 million which caused the value of permits to decrease in 2013.

Value of Commercial Permits City of Pittsburg 2013



Source: City of Pittsburg

COMMERCIAL PERMITS

A total of 11 commercial building permits were issued in Pittsburg for new construction in 2013 with a stated value of \$2.4 million, up 221 percent from the \$749,000 stated value in 2012. There were 41 commercial building permits issued for additions, alterations, and conversions with a stated value of \$10.7 million, down 31 percent from 2012. The stated value of permits for additions, alterations, and conversions was \$15.6 million in 2012, partly due to a 40,000 sq. ft. surgery center at the Via Christi hospital complex in the fourth quarter. Overall, the total value of commercial building permits was \$13.1 million, down 19.4 percent from value of \$16.3 million in 2012.

Lodging capacity declined in the Pittsburg area in 2012 when a two-level Economy Inn & Suites was destroyed by a tornado. It appears that a new major commercial building permit is in the pipeline to build a new hotel property.

OFFICE SPACE MARKET

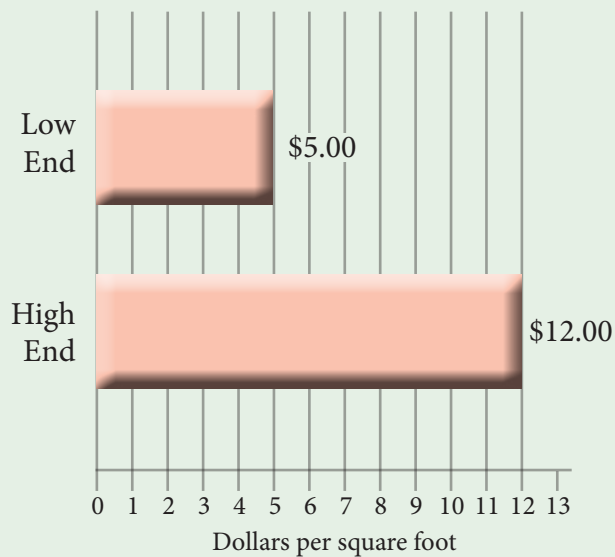
The Kiplinger Magazine says “Nothing matches the vibe of a college town. Universities throw off an energy that infuses their communities with culture, creativity and a love of learning.” Being a college town and having a major hospital implies the presence of amenities, culture, and services that skilled, educated, and professional people are attracted to, making Pittsburgh a good location for regional headquarters and functional specialization.

Major companies with headquarters in Pittsburgh include Jakes Fireworks (annual sales of \$20-\$50 million according to Dun & Bradstreet), Miller’s Professional Imaging (\$20-\$50 million) and Watco Mechanical Services (\$1-\$2.5 million). Furthermore, NPC International (which owns and manages over 1,263 Pizza Hut and 91 Wendy’s restaurants) has most of their functional specialization (accounting and IT) located in Pittsburgh.

Office space available in Pittsburgh is increasing, but has not had any impact on the rental prices of local offices yet.

Gross Office Space Rental Rates

City of Pittsburgh, March 2014



Source: Jones Heritage Realtors

COMMERCIAL LAND MARKET

The Hoffman Strategy Group/Jeff Green Partners find in a recent study that the retail expenditure potential in the Pittsburgh total trade area (as a regional commercial center) is \$1.9 billion. It furthermore estimates that \$62 million of that can be captured in additional retail sales by local commerce through introduction of a new set of retail stores and restaurants with brand names that appeal to the local daytime population, students, and visitors.

If local and national business communities act on this report and decide to tap into this opportunity then commercial land values are bound to increase somewhat. High traffic counts is an important factor in determining the price of commercial land. Broadway, the main thoroughfare which goes through downtown Pittsburgh, has the highest traffic counts and the most expensive commercial land prices. Average land prices on Broadway range from \$5-\$11 per sq. ft.

Commercial Land Prices

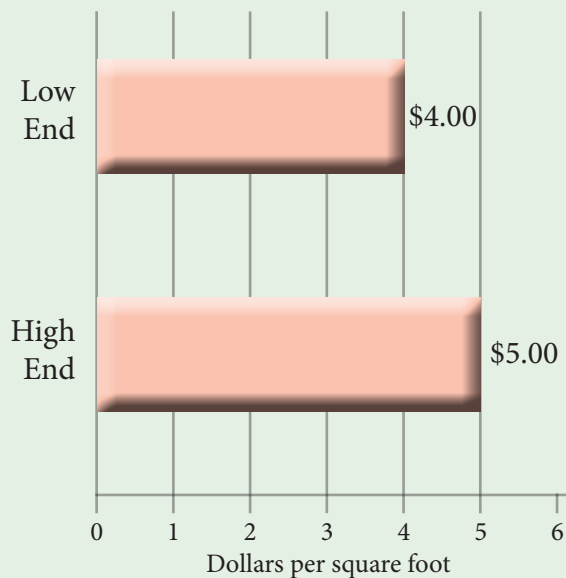
Broadway Corridor, March 2014



Source: Jones Heritage Realtors

Net Retail Rental Rates

Large Retail Space
City of Pittsburgh, March 2014



Source: Jones Heritage Realtors

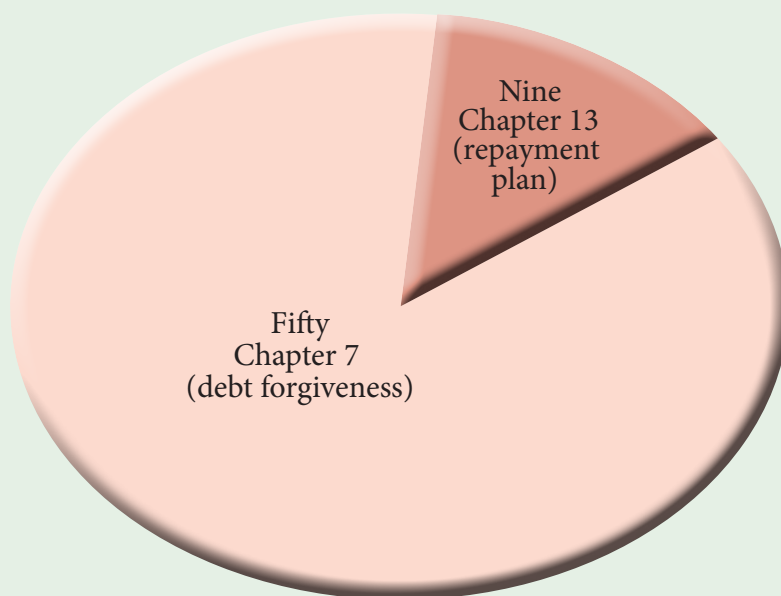
RETAIL SPACE MARKET

As a regional commercial center for goods and services, Pittsburgh offers shopping and dining in 165 retail and dining establishments, including 48 eating and drinking establishments, 12 apparel and accessory stores, and 12 home furniture, furnishing, and equipment stores. Overall, the industry employs almost 1,900 people.

The outlook for the area retail space market is robust. The Hoffman Strategy Group/Jeff Green Partners study finds that an additional 164,000 square feet of retail and restaurant space is supportable in Pittsburgh, which could include large national retailers. The NW corner of S. Broadway and Centennial, the SW corner of S. Broadway and Centennial, NW corner of S. Rouse and E. Centennial and in the vicinity of route 69 bypass and North Broadway have been identified as viable locations in which they recommend retail and restaurant space construction.

Personal Bankruptcies

Pittsburg Micropolitan Area
2013



Source: US Bankruptcy Courts

BANKRUPTCIES

There were 33,212 business bankruptcies filed in 2013 nationwide (down 17.1 percent) and 1,036,720 personal bankruptcies (down 12 percent). Statewide, only 183 business bankruptcies were filed (down 26.5 percent) with 105 Chapter 7 bankruptcies (straight bankruptcy with no repayments), 38 Chapter 11 bankruptcies (reorganization of business debt), 15 Chapter 12 bankruptcies (reorganization of debt for family farms), and 25 Chapter 13 bankruptcies (reorganization of debt for businesses carried on personal tax returns). A total 8,310 personal business bankruptcies were filed statewide, down 6.1 percent, with 5,147 Chapter 7 bankruptcies, three Chapter 11 bankruptcies, and 3,160 Chapter 13 bankruptcies (repayment plans for wage earners).

One business filed Chapter 13 bankruptcy in the Pittsburg Micropolitan Area in 2013 (up from zero last year) and 59 personal bankruptcies (down 14.5 percent) which were classified as: 50 Chapter 7 bankruptcies and 9 Chapter 13 bankruptcies.



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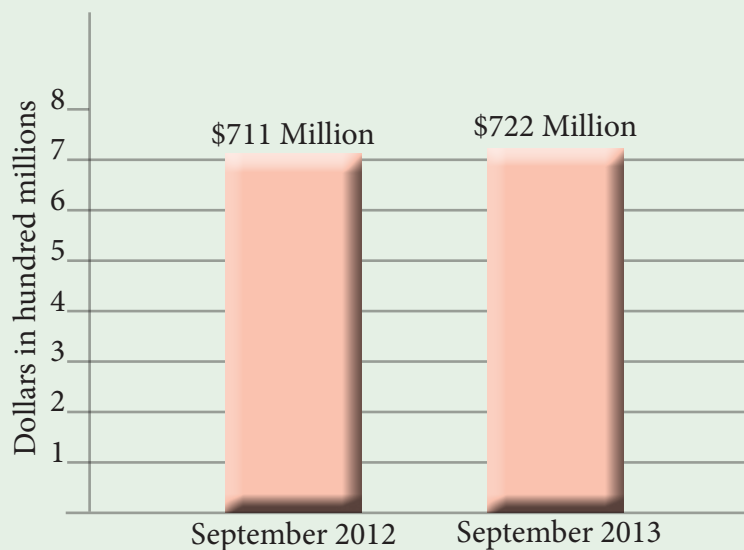
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Total Assets

Banks with Headquarters in the Pittsburg Micropolitan Area



Source: Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation

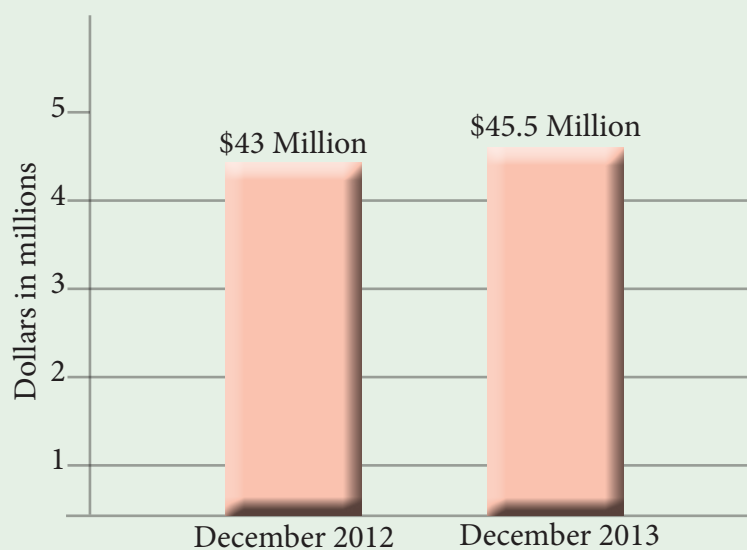
BANKING INDUSTRY

Competition in the national banking industry is declining, with the number of institutions shrinking over four percent during the Q3'12-Q3'13 period. The nationwide industry income performance has, however, improved every year during the last four years, posting \$112 billion in net operating income at the end of the third quarter (up 10.7 percent from the same period last year).

The Pittsburg area banking industry is not experiencing the same decline in competition as the nationwide industry. Pittsburg area banking has the same number of institutions (13) as it had during third quarter of 2012. The banking institutions with headquarters in the Pittsburg area had a total assets of \$722 million at the end of Q3'13 (up 1.5 percent from Q3'12), total interest income of \$21.7 million (down 8.5 percent), total non-interest income of \$3.3 million (up 21.2 percent), and a net operating income of \$4.2 million (down 10.5 percent).

Outstanding Loans and Leases

Credit Unions with Headquarters in the Pittsburg Micropolitan Area



Source: National Credit Union Administration

CREDIT UNIONS

The local credit union industry is recovering steadily from the 2008 financial crises. The Federal Credit Union Administration (the agency that regulates credit unions nationwide) reports that credit unions with headquarters in the Pittsburg area had \$45.5 million in outstanding loans and leases at the end of 2013 (up 5.9 percent from the same period the previous year). The local industry posted \$7.1 million in undivided earnings (up 9.0 percent), \$2.4 million in interest income (down 9.8 percent), and \$97,000 in other non-operating income (down 11 percent). Overall, total assets increased to \$76.8 million (up 3.2 percent).

Credit Unions are tax exempt non-profit institutions and derive their income mostly from consumer loans, but they also issue mortgage loans.

PITTSBURG MICROPOLITAN AREA BUSINESS SUMMARY

	2013 Employees	Percent	2013 Establishments (includes entrepreneurs)	Percent	Average Employee size
Forestry, and Fishing	243	1.5%	79	4.9%	3.1
Mining	31	0.2%	6	0.4%	5.2
Construction	593	3.7%	90	5.6%	6.6
Manufacturing	1,945	12.1%	68	4.3%	28.6
Transportation, Communications, Electric, Gas, & Sanitary Services	916	5.7%	77	4.8%	11.9
Wholesale Trade	716	4.5%	90	5.6%	8
Retail Trade	2656	16.6%	291	18.2%	9.1
Finance, Insurance, & Real Estate	527	3.3%	126	7.9%	4.2
Services	7,571	47.3%	710	44.5%	10.7
Public Administration	822	5.1%	60	3.8%	13.7

MANUFACTURING DETAIL

Food and Kindred Products (20)	321	2.0%	8	0.5%	40.1
Apparel, Finished Products from Fabrics and Similar Materials	9	0.1%	2	0.1%	4.5
Furniture and Fixtures	5	0%	1	0.1%	5
Paper and Allied Products	472	3%	3	0.2%	157.3
Printing, Publishing and Allied Industries	297	1.9%	8	0.5%	37.1
Chemicals and Allied Products	98	0.6%	2	0.1%	49
Rubber and Miscellaneous Plastic Products	119	0.7%	4	0.3%	29.8
Stone, Clay, Glass, and Concrete Products	60	0.4%	3	0.2%	20
Primary Metal Industries	10	0.1%	1	0.1%	10
Fabricated Metal Products, Except Machinery & Transport Equipment	71	0.4%	8	0.5%	8.9
Industrial and Commercial Machinery	249	1.6%	16	1%	15.6
Electronic, Equipment & Components, Except Computer Equipment	28	0.2%	3	0.2%	9.3
Transportation Equipment	5	0%	1	0.1%	5
Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries	182	1.1%	4	0.3%	45.5

Source: Demographics Now

Average Occupancy Rates Pittsburg Area



Source: Pittsburg Chamber of Commerce

LODGING INDUSTRY

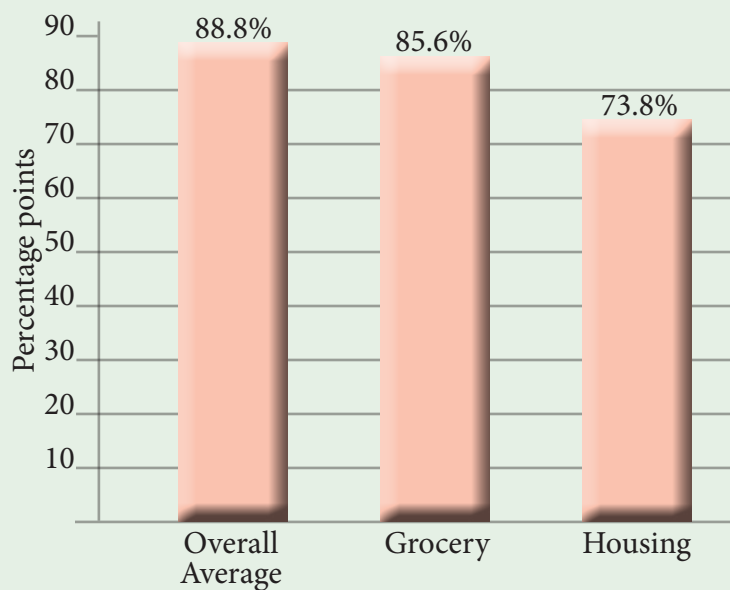
The Hoffman Strategy Group/Jeff Green Partners study identified a significant under served need for local lodging space and recommended construction of a limited service suite hotel, such as an 80-room Hampton Inn (for which their analysis indicated a plausible average annual revenue of approximately \$2.4 million for the first three years), or a 60-room Summerfield Suites (which their analysis indicated a plausible average annual revenue of approximately 2.0 million). In either case, there would be a significant boost for the local economy.

Occupancy rates have increased every year in the local lodging industry since 2009. The average occupancy in the Pittsburg area lodging industry was 55 percent in 2013, (up from 42.8 percent in 2009) and the average room rate was \$77.50. The average occupancy was 52.8 percent in Southeast Kansas during 2013, 56.2 percent statewide, and 62.3 percent nationwide.

Cost of Living

Four States Area

Percent of National Average for 2013



Source: The Council for Community and Economic Research

COST OF LIVING

Households are often very mobile when it comes to moving to increase quality of life. Many people view relocation as a risky venture and the cost of living is a very important factor in the relocation decision.

The city of Pittsburg is a commercial hub in the region. Approximately 65.7 percent of the jobs in the city are filled by people that live outside the city. The four states area economy (southeast Kansas, southwest Missouri, northeast Oklahoma, and northwest Arkansas) is very integrated economically, and people commute frequently within this area for work and shopping. Residents in the four states area enjoy a relatively low cost of living. The average cost of living in 2013 was only 88.8 percent of the national average, with cost of housing 73.8 percent, and cost of groceries 85.6 percent.

BUSINESS HIGHLIGHTS

KELCE COLLEGE OF BUSINESS RECEIVES NATIONAL RECOGNITION

A national publication names one Pittsburg State University graduate program one of the best in the country. The Kelce College of Business was named to the 2015 "Best Graduate Schools" list by U.S. News and Report. Rankings are based on a combination of statistical data and expert assessment data. The publication surveyed more than 1,300 universities across the U.S.

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KANSAS JOBLESS RATE LOWEST SINCE 2008

"For the second consecutive year, Kansas saw over the year growth of more than 10,000 jobs. This is all good news for Kansans," Says Lana Gordon, Kansas Secretary of Labor.

Statewide, there are no longer any counties with an unemployment rate over 7.0, and several area counties are even below 5.0 percent. Crawford County's unemployment rose slightly to 4.8 percent.

The Morning Sun - 01/2014

REPORT SHOWS PITTSBURG FEASIBLE FOR GROWTH

The 36 page report on hotel and retail feasibility in Pittsburg was completed. The report included maps, sales forecast, and projected population growth. Blake Benson, President of Pittsburg Chamber of Commerce stated that "we want to continue the trend," of attracting retail businesses and shoppers.

The report narrows down the companies to attract including fast food restaurants, sit down restaurants, home improvement and clothing stores. Also this study shows evidence of a need for another 80 room hotel.

KOAM TV 7 - 01/16/2014

PITTSBURG STREET WIDENING PROJECT

The City of Pittsburg will make changes to a local street to accommodate more traffic. That will come with the opening of the new Pittsburg State University Performing Arts Center. Pittsburg Director of Public Works Bill Beasley says the city will widen the east side of Homer Street. The work will allow a turn lane at the intersection of Ford Street. Beasley says the project should cost around \$33,000. The goal is to start the project at the beginning of March and it should only take 30 days to complete.

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POVERTY IN SOUTHEAST KANSAS

Crawford County has a higher rate of poverty compared to the national average. An individual household making less than \$11,490 is considered to be in poverty, where a household of three people making less than \$19,530 is in poverty.

Kansas as a state is at 13.2 percent, and Crawford County is sitting at 20.4 percent according to the 2008-2012 statistics.

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CRAWFORD COUNTY COMMISSION APPROVES DISPATCH CENTER UPGRADE

The Crawford County Commission has approved close to \$160,000.00 for the current 911 dispatch center to be upgraded.

The new upgrades will include an improved hardware, software and recording systems and will impact how easily a dispatcher can identify a call made from a cell phone.

KOAM TV 7 - 02/01/2014

IMPROVING PITTSBURG

Pittsburg city is working to clean up properties and structures within the city. More than 25 homes have

been torn down and Tim Bell, Pittsburg's Building Official, states there are "75 to 100 homes that need attention."

The city ordinances allow for the demolition of homes that repairs accumulative are more than 50% of the home's value.

KOAM TV 7 - 02/01/2014

USDHS SPENDING \$300 MILLION BUILDING NBAF FACILITY IN KANSAS

President Obama's recent budget includes \$300 million for the Department of Homeland Security to continue working on the National Bio and Agro-Defense (NBAF) Facility already under construction. The \$1.25 billion dollar facility is designed to conduct research on large animals and related diseases. The lab is expected to have 250 to 350 employees and will be located in Manhattan. According to Governor Brownback this facility will make Kansas the center of the animal health industry.

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PITTSBURG MICROPOLITAN AREA EMPLOYMENT TRENDS

INDUSTRY TITLE	Q2 2012		Q2 2013		Growth in Jobs	Growth Avg Weekly Earnings
	Avg Number of Jobs Q2	Avg. Wkly Earnings Q2	Avg Number of Jobs Q2	Avg. Wkly Earnings Q2		
Postal service	72	\$801	69	\$771	-4.2%	-3.8%
Administration of human resource programs	11	\$1,116	12	\$1,402	8.7%	22.7%
Administration of economic programs	13	\$1,006	15	\$1,022	14.0%	1.6%
National security and international affairs	3	\$912	2	\$988	-40.0%	8%
Justice, public order, and safety activities	35	\$771	37	\$770	5.6%	-0.1%
Utilities	32	\$364	34	\$362	5.0%	-0.6%
Executive, legislative and general government	919	\$527	961	\$498	4.4%	-5.7%
Crop production	24	\$623	24	\$668	1.4%	7.0%
Construction of buildings	71	\$576	71	\$582	0.0%	1.0%
Heavy and civil engineering construction	109	\$770	107	\$664	-1.8%	-14.8%
Specialty trade contractors	232	\$653	246	\$604	5.9%	-7.8%
Wood product manufacturing	177	\$550	142	\$634	-21.9%	14.2%
Printing and related support activities	427	\$772	435	\$757	1.7%	-2.0%
Nonmetallic mineral product manufacturing	37	\$671	44	\$599	17.1%	-11.3%
Fabricated metal product manufacturing	306	\$867	350	\$760	13.5%	-13.2%
Machinery manufacturing	65	\$616	73	\$582	11.1%	-5.7%
Electrical equipment and appliance mfg.	174	\$801	179	\$875	3.0%	8.8%
Merchant wholesalers, durable goods	124	\$736	117	\$786	-5.1%	6.6%
Merchant wholesalers, nondurable goods	363	\$713	375	\$720	3.3%	1.0%
Motor vehicle and parts dealers	168	\$556	203	\$540	19.1%	-2.9%
Furniture and home furnishings stores	81	\$496	79	\$492	-2.1%	-0.8%
Electronics and appliance stores	108	\$391	99	\$401	-9.0%	2.5%
Building material and garden supply stores	196	\$448	186	\$415	-5.2%	-7.6%
Food and beverage stores	360	\$333	377	\$329	4.7%	-1.2%
Health and personal care stores	107	\$435	107	\$488	-0.3%	11.5%
Gasoline stations	169	\$266	149	\$279	-12.6%	4.8%
Clothing and clothing accessories stores	69	\$261	67	\$239	-2.9%	-8.8%
Sporting goods, hobby, book and music stores	44	\$348	37	\$360	-18.0%	3.4%
General merchandise stores	490	\$369	464	\$359	-5.5%	-2.7%
Miscellaneous store retailers	48	\$336	52	\$318	8.7%	-5.5%
Non-store retailers	30	\$513	29	\$480	-2.3%	-6.6%
Truck transportation	84	\$677	88	\$803	4.7%	17.0%
Publishing industries, except Internet	183	\$869	163	\$944	-11.4%	8.3%
Broadcasting, except Internet	43	\$453	35	\$451	-20.3%	-0.4%
Telecommunications	88	\$1,164	86	\$1,217	-2.7%	4.5%
Credit intermediation and related activities	263	\$638	274	\$818	4.3%	24.7%
Securities, commodity contracts, investments	16	\$1,559	17	\$1,577	6.2%	1.1%
Insurance carriers and related activities	47	\$606	47	\$1,251	-1.4%	69.5%
Real estate	28	\$476	27	\$465	-1.2%	-2.3%
Rental and leasing services	80	\$586	92	\$658	13.5%	11.6%
Professional and technical services	391	\$689	290	\$654	-29.6%	-5.2%
Management of companies and enterprises	284	\$1,075	290	\$931	1.9%	-14.4%
Administrative and support services	418	\$479	529	\$511	23.3%	6.5%
Waste management and remediation services	62	\$769	44	\$512	-35.2%	-40.1%
Educational services	2	\$1,291	2	\$1,291	0.0%	0.0%
Ambulatory health care services	515	\$790	533	\$771	3.5%	-2.4%
Nursing and residential care facilities	713	\$389	704	\$388	-1.2%	-0.3%
Amusements, gambling, and recreation	164	\$227	156	\$217	-5.2%	-4.5%
Accommodations	88	\$248	100	\$249	13.5%	0.4%
Food services and drinking places	1689	\$190	1669	\$195	-1.2%	2.6%
Repair and maintenance	141	\$537	134	\$538	-5.1%	0.2%
Personal and laundry services	86	\$394	82	\$403	-4.0%	2.3%
Membership associations and organizations	65	\$353	69	\$366	6.0%	3.6%
Private households	43	\$254	21	\$259	-68.8%	1.9%

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

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