

LABOR FORCE/EMPLOYMENT

Pike County's labor force still retains a strong work ethic. The County's location in the Northeast provides some distinct advantages, such as diversity, and a strong family orientation. Pennsylvania Department of Labor figures indicate that in 1990 **Pike County's labor force** was 12,313; more recent Nov. 2007 figures estimate it to be **26,100**. In addition to the labor force directly available in Pike County, workers from two nearby areas of Pennsylvania, as well as Orange County, New York, and Sussex County, New Jersey, provide an available employment base of more than 500,000.

Labor Force		2007		
<u>County</u>	Month	September	October	November
Pike		25,900	25,900	26,100
Monroe		80,000	79,600	80,100
Lackawanna		106,900	107,300	107,300
Wayne		25,000	24,800	25,000
Sullivan, NY		35,100.	35,200	35,100
Orange, NY		177,300	178,000	179,000
Sussex, NJ		85,200.	84,300	85,100
Total		535,400	535,100	537,700