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Role of Electronics & Appliance Stores in the Economy of Centre County, Pennsylvania

The **electronics and appliance stores industry** is an important part of the history and economy of Centre County in Pennsylvania. The industry creates jobs and compensation for workers throughout this County and influences tax revenues in the County.

The impact of jobs in electronics and appliance stores in Centre County:

- *For every 100 jobs* — Due to the need to supply the electronics and appliance stores industry, other industries in Centre County employ an additional 4 workers. Spending of income earned by electronics and appliance stores employees and by workers in Centre County industries that supply electronics and appliance stores on such items as housing, food, health care, and other retail goods and services creates an additional 16 jobs in Centre County. In short, every 100 jobs in the Centre County electronics and appliance stores industry are associated with 120 total jobs in the County.
- *For every 100 jobs* — The electronics and appliance stores industry generates \$2.8 million compensation (wages, pensions, income of proprietors) for its own Centre County employees and \$143,000 compensation for employees whose jobs are created because their Centre County firms supply the electronics and appliance stores industry in the County. Spending of income by electronics and appliance stores employees and workers in supplying industries generates an additional \$392,000 compensation for other Centre County workers. In this way, the electronics and appliance stores industry is responsible for generating \$3.3 million annual compensation for every 100 electronics and appliance stores workers employed in Centre County.
- *For every 100 jobs* — Business activity by the electronics and appliance stores industry, the industry's impact on Centre County industries that supply it, and the effect of spending by workers employed in the electronics and appliance stores industry and its supplying industries generate \$294,000 in property taxes that are paid annually by businesses and individuals in Centre County to local governments.

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This Brief contains an analysis of activity of establishments primarily operating as electronics and appliance stores in North American Industry Classification System code 443. Information provided in this Economic & Workforce Brief was calculated using IMPLAN, a macroeconomic model applied by Penn State's Office of Economic and Workforce Development to identify the impact of economic activity on Pennsylvania and its counties. For more information, contact Rose M. Baker (rmb194@psu.edu; 814.865.9919) or David L. Passmore (dlp+irttd@psu.edu; 814.863.2583). Dollar values are expressed as year 2006 dollars.