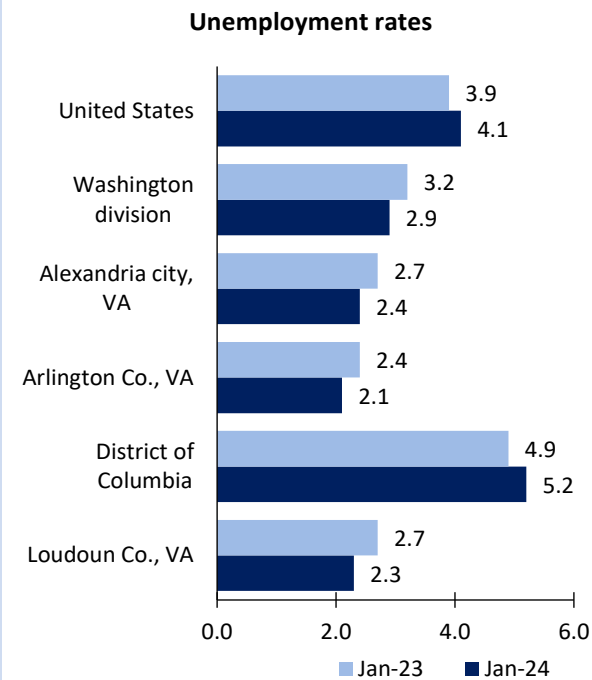


# Washington, DC division Economic Summary

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This summary presents a sampling of economic information for the area; supplemental data are provided for regions and the nation. Subjects include **unemployment, employment, wages, prices, spending, and benefits**. All data are not seasonally adjusted and some may be subject to revision. Area definitions may differ by subject. For more area summaries and geographic definitions, see [www.bls.gov/regions/economic-summaries.htm](http://www.bls.gov/regions/economic-summaries.htm).

## Unemployment rates for the nation and selected areas

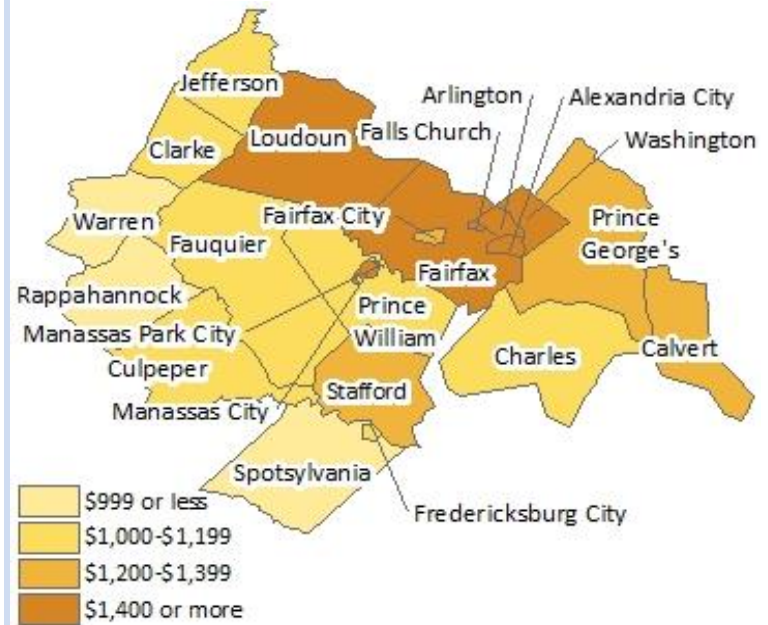


Source: U.S. BLS, Local Area Unemployment Statistics.

## Average weekly wages for all industries by county

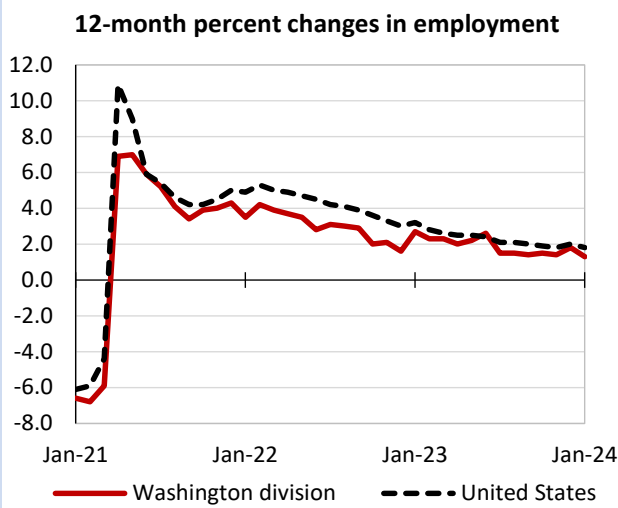
Washington division, third quarter 2023

(U.S. = \$1,334; Area = \$1,738)



Source: U.S. BLS, Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages.

## Over-the-year changes in employment on nonfarm payrolls and employment by major industry sector



Source: U.S. BLS, Current Employment Statistics.

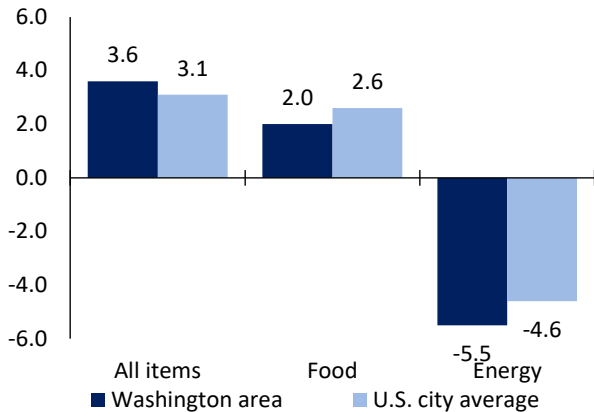
Washington division employment (number in thousands)	Jan. 2024	Change from Jan. 2023 to Jan. 2024	
		Number	Percent
Total nonfarm	2,755.4	35.5	1.3
Mining, logging, and construction	130.3	0.9	0.7
Manufacturing	37.1	0.7	1.9
Trade, transportation, and utilities	329.6	2.3	0.7
Information	66.9	-2.5	-3.6
Financial activities	116.3	-2.3	-1.9
Professional and business services	672.5	-2.8	-0.4
Education and health services	363.7	11.0	3.1
Leisure and hospitality	257.1	5.3	2.1
Other services	171.1	3.2	1.9
Government	610.8	19.7	3.3

Source: U.S. BLS, Current Employment Statistics.



Over-the-year change in the prices paid by urban consumers for selected categories

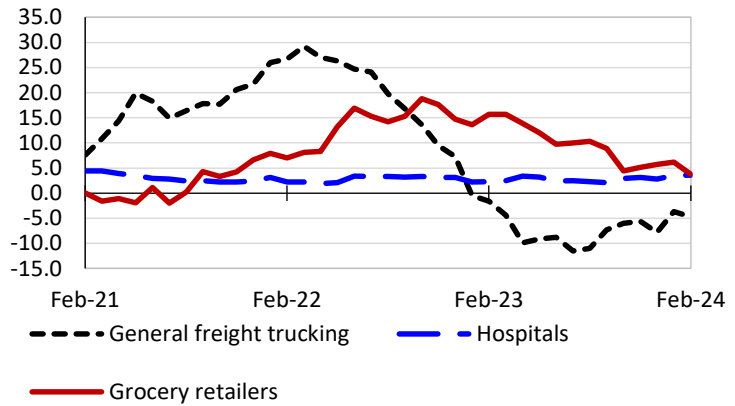
12-month percent change in CPI-U, January 2024



Source: U.S. BLS, Consumer Price Index.

Over-the-year changes in the selling prices received by producers for selected industries nationwide

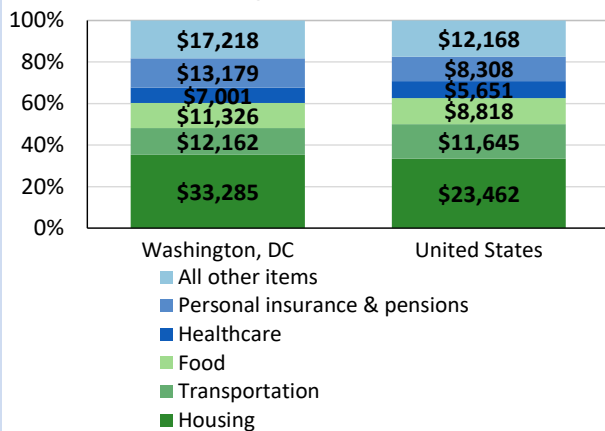
12-month percent changes in PPI



Source: U.S. BLS, Producer Price Index.

Average annual spending and percent distribution for selected categories

Average annual expenditures, United States and Washington, DC, 2021-22



Source: U.S. BLS, Consumer Expenditure Survey.

Average hourly wages for selected occupations

Occupation	Washington area	United States
All occupations	\$40.34	\$29.76
Lawyers	101.85	78.74
Political scientists	66.01	60.64
Computer systems analysts	58.64	51.70
Statisticians	57.59	50.73
Budget analysts	53.42	42.16
Editors	45.91	40.78

Source: U.S. BLS, Occupational Employment and Wage Statistics, May 2022.

Employer costs per hour worked for wages and selected employee benefits by geographic division

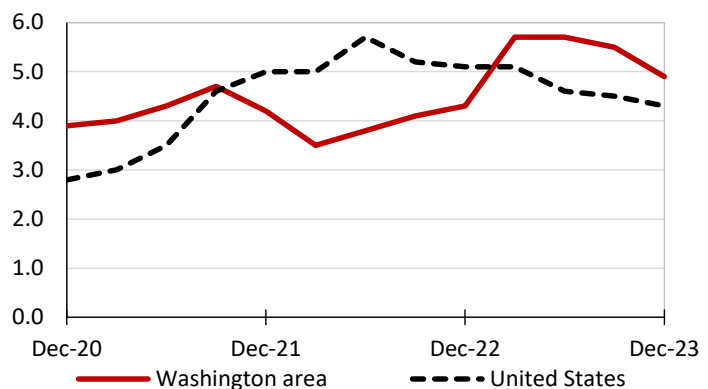
Private industry, December 2023	South Atlantic	United States
Total compensation	\$40.34	\$43.11
Wages and salaries	28.91	30.33
Total benefits	11.43	12.77
Paid leave	3.10	3.26
Vacation	1.61	1.67
Supplemental pay	1.43	1.71
Insurance	2.73	3.14
Retirement and savings	1.25	1.50
Legally required benefits	2.92	3.17

(1) The states that compose the South Atlantic census division are: DE, DC, FL, GA, MD, NC, SC, VA, and WV.

Source: U.S. BLS, Employer Costs for Employee Compensation.

Over-the-year changes in wages and salaries

12-month percent changes in ECI



Source: U.S. BLS, Employment Cost Index.

