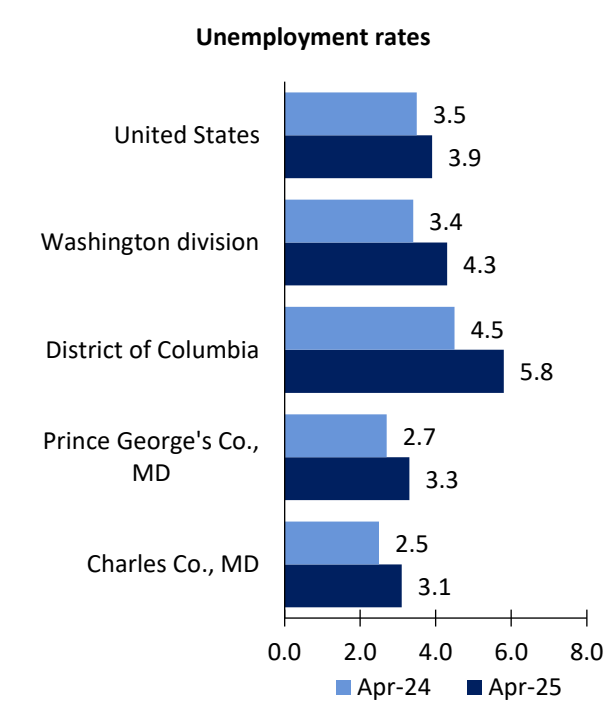


# Washington, DC-MD, Division Economic Summary

Updated June 03, 2025

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 <https://www.bls.gov/regions/economic-summaries.htm>.

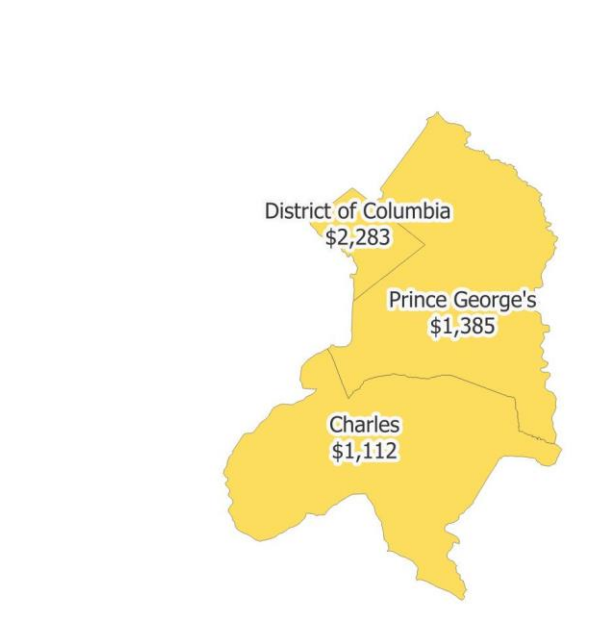
## Unemployment rates for the nation and selected areas



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

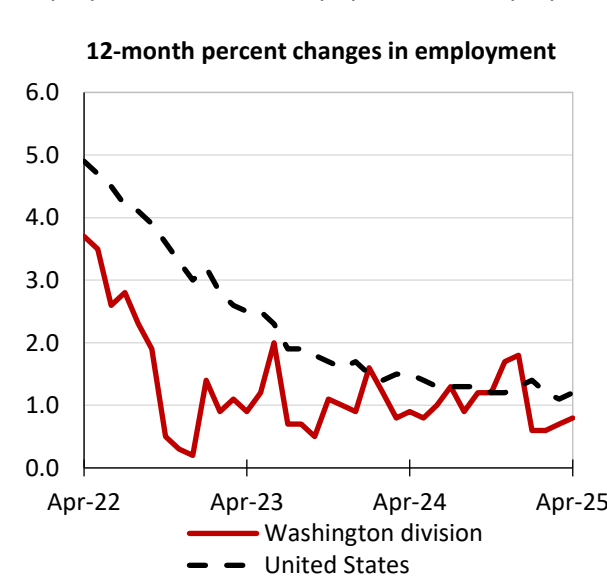
## Average weekly wages for all industries by county

**Washington division, third quarter 2024**  
(U.S. = \$1,394)



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

## Employment on nonfarm payrolls and employment by major industry sector, over-the-year changes



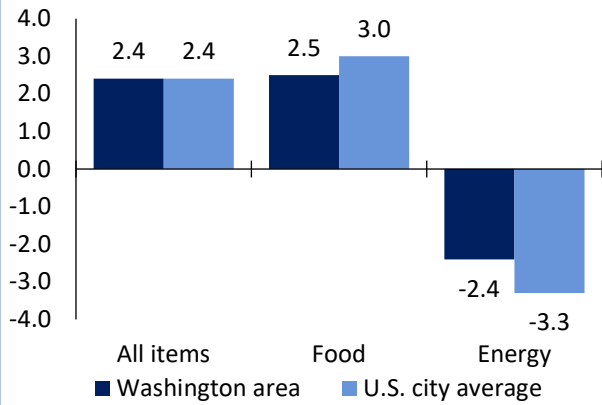
Washington division employment (number in thousands)	Apr. 2025	Change from Apr. 2024 to Apr. 2025	
		Number	Percent
Total nonfarm	1,156.8	8.7	0.8
Mining, logging, and construction	50.2	3.8	8.2
Manufacturing	8.7	0.1	1.2
Trade, transportation, and utilities	99.4	1.1	1.1
Information	20.7	-0.8	-3.7
Financial activities	38.3	-0.2	-0.5
Professional and business services	218.2	-4.2	-1.9
Education and health services	172.4	3.1	1.8
Leisure and hospitality	124.0	4.1	3.4
Other services	78.5	0.6	0.8
Government	346.4	1.1	0.3

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



Prices paid by urban consumers for selected categories, over-the-year change

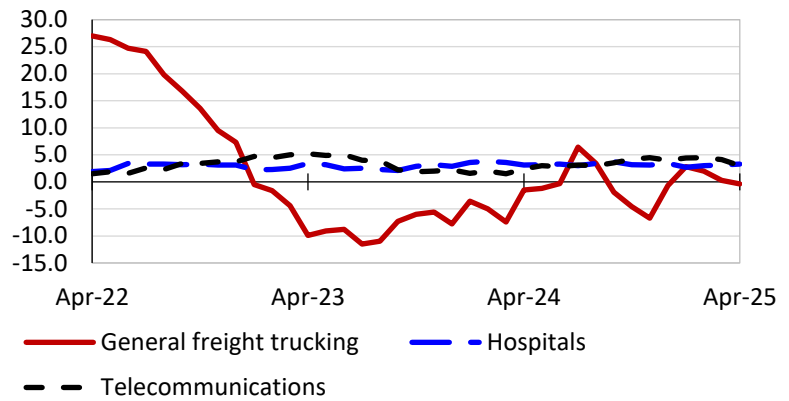
12-month percent change in CPI-U, March 2025



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

Selling prices received by producers for selected industries nationwide, over-the-year change

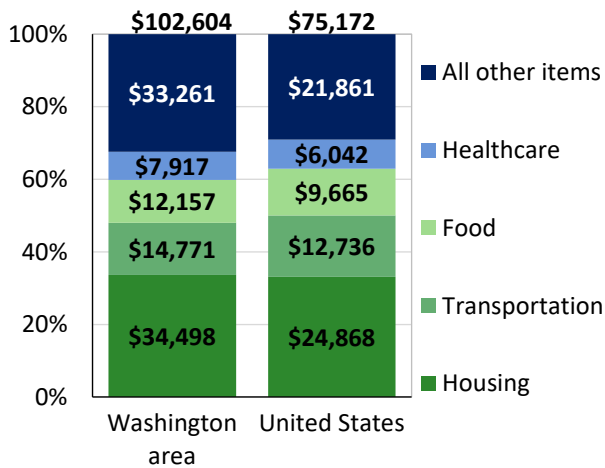
12-month percent changes in PPI



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

Average annual spending and percent distribution for selected categories

Average annual expenditures, 2022-2023



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

Average hourly wages for selected occupations, May 2024

Occupation	Washington area	United States
All occupations	\$43.47	\$32.66
Lawyers	105.48	87.86
Political scientists	73.87	66.15
Statisticians	63.86	54.01
Computer systems analysts	62.36	53.83
Budget analysts	57.51	45.15
Editors	48.16	41.20

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

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

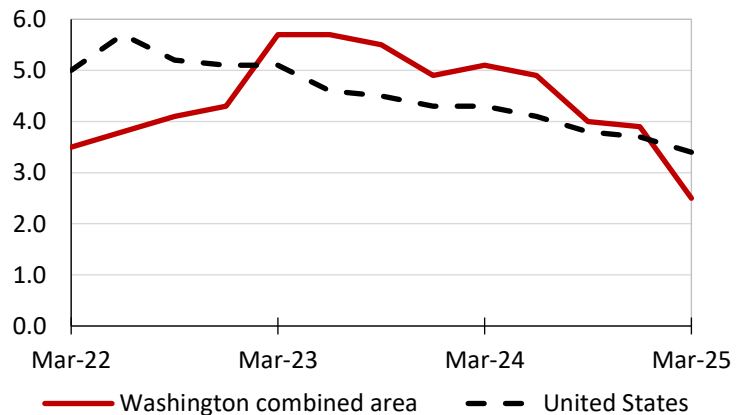
Private industry, December 2024	South Atlantic	United States
Total compensation	\$41.19	\$44.67
Wages and salaries	29.51	31.47
Total benefits	11.68	13.20
Paid leave	3.07	3.38
Vacation	1.57	1.71
Supplemental pay	1.68	1.84
Insurance	2.73	3.22
Retirement and savings	1.27	1.52
Legally required benefits	2.91	3.24

Map of Census Regions and Divisions

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

Changes in wages and salaries over-the-year

12-month percent changes in ECI



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