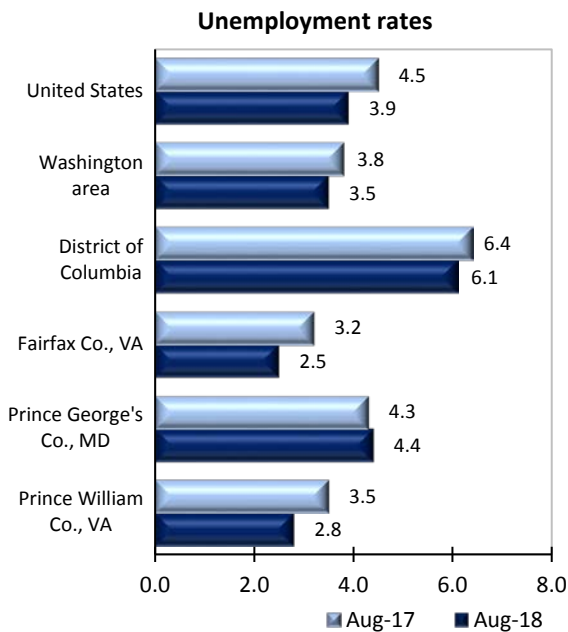


Washington, DC-VA-MD-WV, Area Economic Summary

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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.

Unemployment rates for the Washington area, selected area counties, and the nation

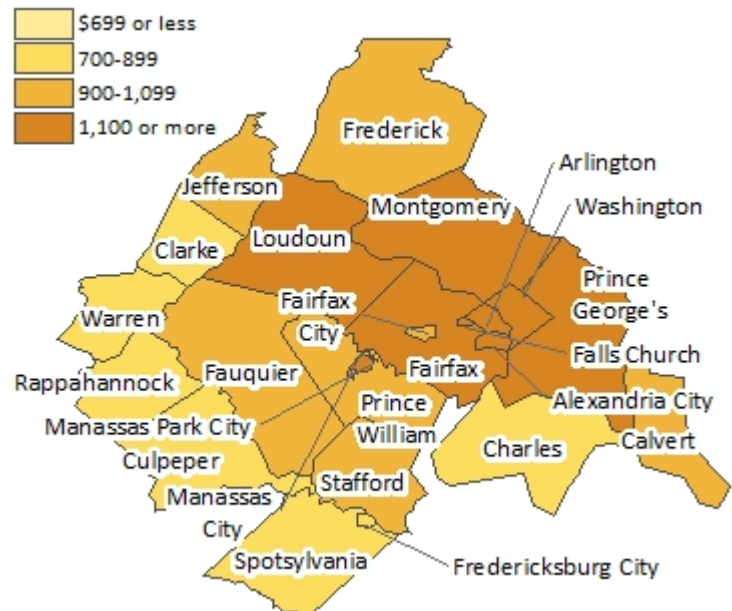


Source: U.S. BLS, Local Area Unemployment Statistics.

Average weekly wages for all industries by county

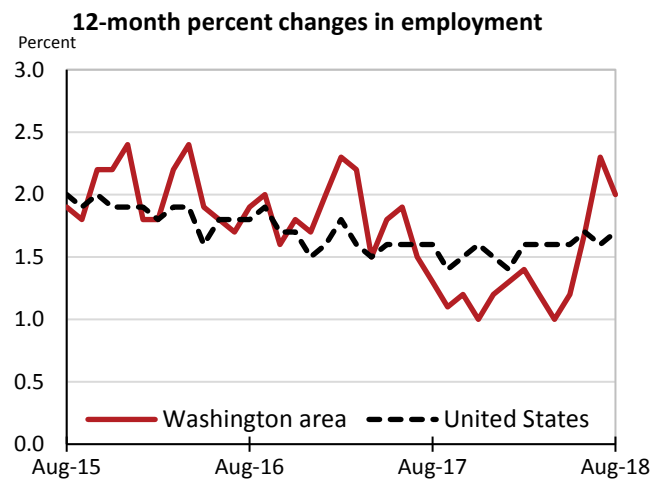
Washington area, 1st quarter 2018

(U.S. = \$1,152; Area = \$1,556)



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



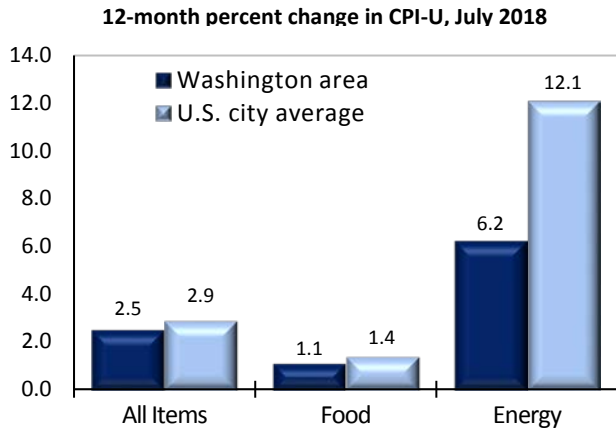
Source: U.S. BLS, Current Employment Statistics.

Washington area employment (numbers in thousands)	Aug. 2018	Change from Aug. 2017 to Aug. 2018	
		Number	Percent
Total nonfarm	3,331.2	64.9	2.0
Mining, logging, and construction	170.3	7.3	4.5
Manufacturing	55.5	0.5	0.9
Trade, transportation, and utilities	413.3	5.8	1.4
Information	73.5	-0.5	-0.7
Financial activities	161.2	2.5	1.6
Professional and business services	778.5	23.2	3.1
Education and health services	438.2	13.0	3.1
Leisure and hospitality	348.6	8.8	2.6
Other services	210.6	1.7	0.8
Government	681.5	2.6	0.4

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



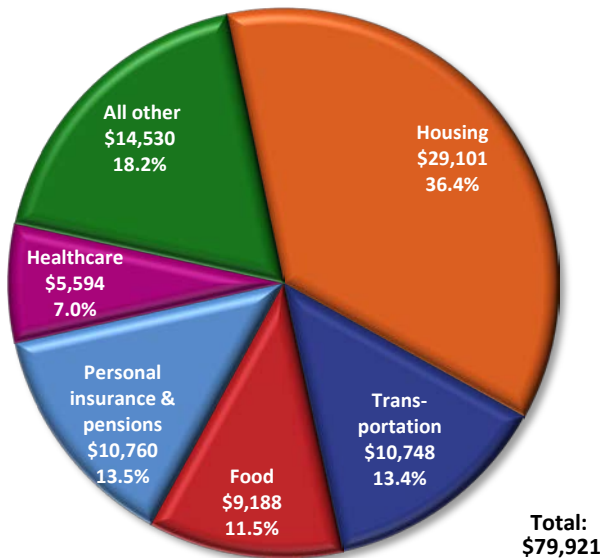
Over-the-year change in the prices paid by urban consumers for selected categories



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

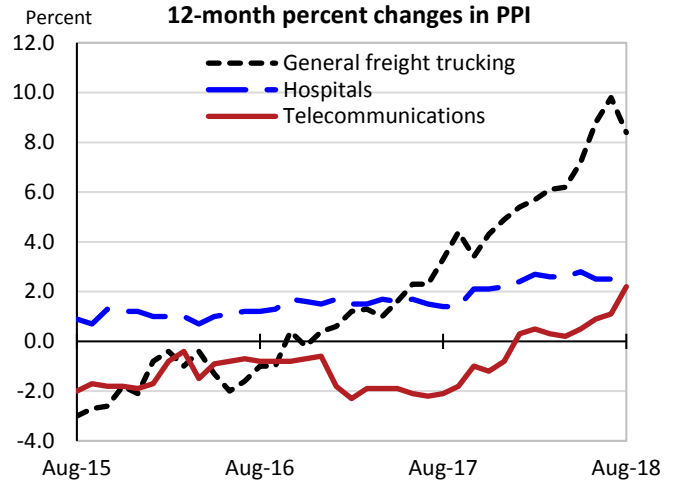
Average annual spending and percent distribution for selected categories

Washington, DC average annual expenditures 2016-17



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

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



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

Average hourly wages for selected occupations

Occupation	Washington area	United States
Total, all occupations	\$33.27	\$24.34
Lawyers	84.70	68.22
Economists	60.25	54.16
Political scientists	57.38	53.86
Software developers, applications	55.89	51.30
Management analysts	51.40	44.92
Public relations specialists	47.48	32.69
Accountants and auditors	44.55	37.46
Registered nurses	38.83	35.36
Social science research assistants	27.94	23.57
Construction laborers	17.09	18.70
Retail salespersons	13.61	13.20
Cooks, fast food	11.07	10.39

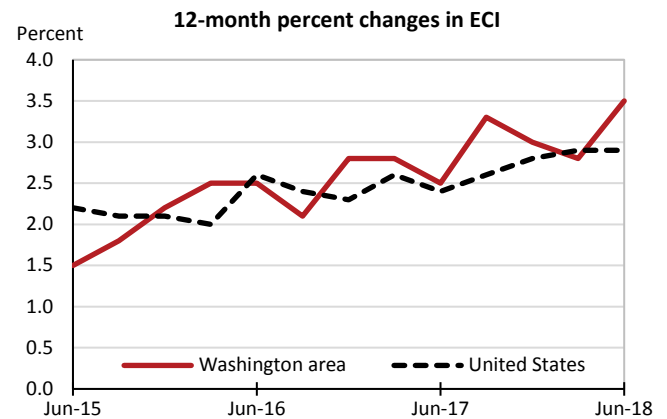
Source: U.S. BLS, Occupational Employment Statistics, May 2017.

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

Private industry, June 2018	South Atlantic (1)	United States
Total compensation	\$31.20	\$34.19
Wages and salaries	22.10	23.78
Total benefits	9.10	10.41
Paid leave	2.17	2.39
Vacation	1.12	1.24
Supplemental pay	0.94	1.32
Insurance	2.41	2.72
Retirement and savings	1.24	1.35
Legally required benefits	2.33	2.64

(1) South Atlantic includes DC, DE, 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



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