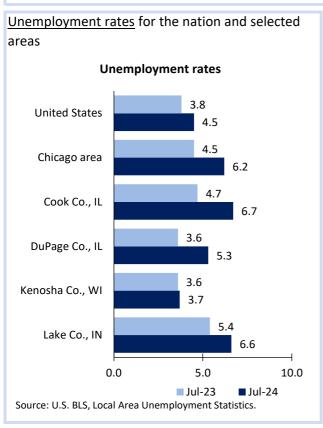
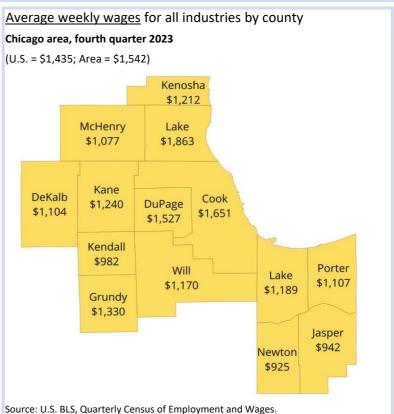
Chicago Area Economic Summary

Updated August 28, 2024

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.





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



Chicago area employment (number in thousands)	Jul. 2024	Change from Jul. 2023 to Jul. 2024	
(Humber in thousands)		Number	Percent
Total nonfarm	4,822.9	6.6	0.1
Mining and logging	1.7	0.1	6.3
Construction	192.8	-0.1	-0.1
Manufacturing	423.2	11.8	2.9
Trade, transportation, and utilities	967.0	-3.3	-0.3
Information	76.8	-2.6	-3.3
Financial activities	320.4	-4.6	-1.4
Professional and business services	826.8	-29.4	-3.4
Education and health services	771.0	15.1	2.0
Leisure and hospitality	499.0	6.0	1.2
Other services	204.3	4.1	2.0
Government	539.9	9.5	1.8

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



Over-the-year change in the <u>prices paid by urban</u> consumers for selected categories

12-month percent change in CPI-U, July 2024 4.0 3.7 3.4 3.5 2.9 3.0 2.2 2.5 1.9 2.0 1.5 1.1 1.0 0.5 0.0

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

All items

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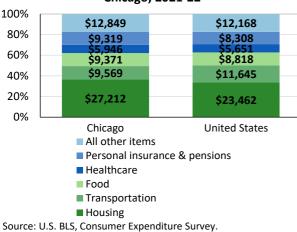
Average annual spending and percent distribution for selected categories

Food

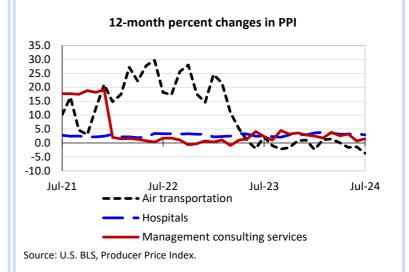
U.S. city average

Energy

Average annual expenditures, United States and Chicago, 2021-22



Over-the-year changes in the selling <u>prices received by</u> producers for selected industries nationwide



Average hourly wages for selected occupations

Occupation	Chicago area	United States
All occupations	\$33.41	\$31.48
Securities, commodities, and financial services sales agents	53.94	52.75
Registered nurses	43.66	45.42
Market research analysts and marketing specialists	39.25	40.00
Machinists	26.18	26.25
Laborers and freight, stock, and material movers, hand	19.63	19.12
Stockers and order fillers	18.76	18.27

Source: U.S. BLS, Occupational Employment and Wage Statistics, May 2023.

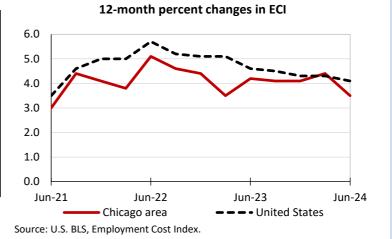
<u>Employer costs</u> per hour worked for wages and selected employee benefits by geographic division

Private industry, March 2024	East North Central (1)	United States
Total compensation	\$42.50	\$43.78
Wages and salaries	29.43	30.76
Total benefits	13.07	13.02
Paid leave	3.09	3.31
Vacation	1.63	1.69
Supplemental pay	1.98	1.77
Insurance	3.34	3.20
Retirement and savings	1.61	1.52
Legally required benefits	3.05	3.21

⁽¹⁾ The states that compose the East North Central census division are: IL, IN, MI, OH, and WI.

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

Over-the-year changes in wages and salaries



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