Des Moines 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 nation and selected areas

Average weekly wages for all industries by county

Des Moines area, fourth quarter 2023
(U.S. = $1,435; Area = $1,371)

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

Unemployment rates

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

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

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

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

Average annual spending and percent distribution for selected categories

Average hourly wages for selected occupations

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

Over-the-year changes in wages and salaries