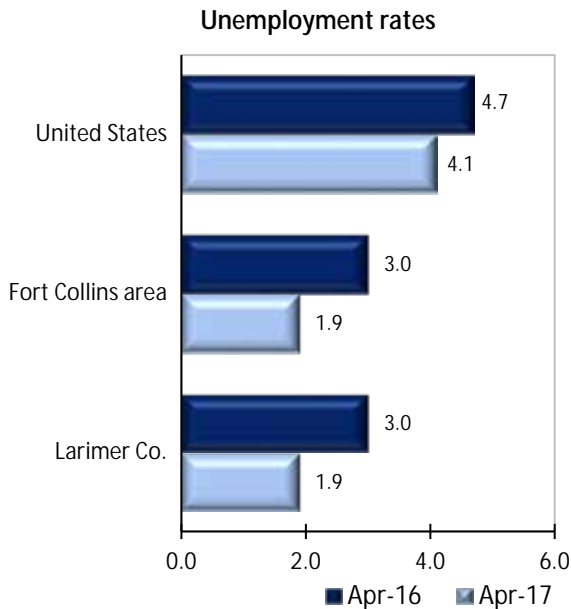


# Fort Collins Area Economic Summary

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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](http://www.bls.gov/regions/economic-summaries.htm).

## Unemployment rates for the Fort Collins area, selected area counties, and the nation



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

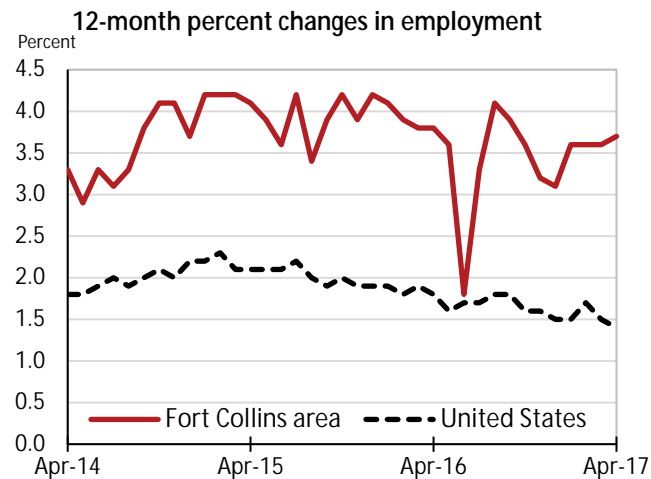
## Average weekly wages for all industries by county

Fort Collins area, 3rd quarter 2016  
(U.S. = \$1,027; Area = \$938)



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



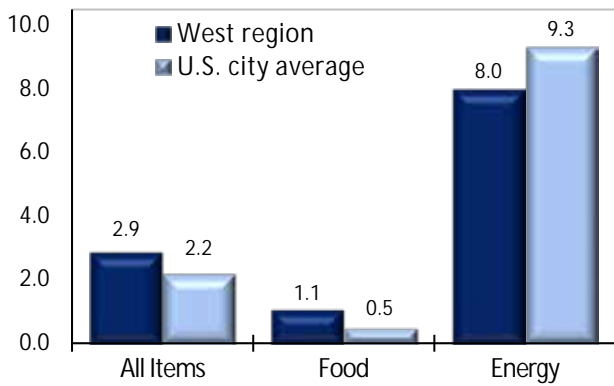
Source: U.S. BLS, Current Employment Statistics.

Fort Collins area employment (numbers in thousands)	Apr. 2017	Change from Apr. 2016 to Apr. 2017	
		Number	Percent
Total nonfarm	165.5	5.9	3.7
Mining, logging, and construction	12.0	1.5	14.3
Manufacturing	13.5	0.2	1.5
Trade, transportation, and utilities	26.6	1.1	4.3
Information	2.8	0.0	0.0
Financial activities	6.7	0.1	1.5
Professional and business services	20.1	0.2	1.0
Education and health services	17.3	0.9	5.5
Leisure and hospitality	20.9	0.8	4.0
Other services	6.0	0.2	3.4
Government	39.6	0.9	2.3

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

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

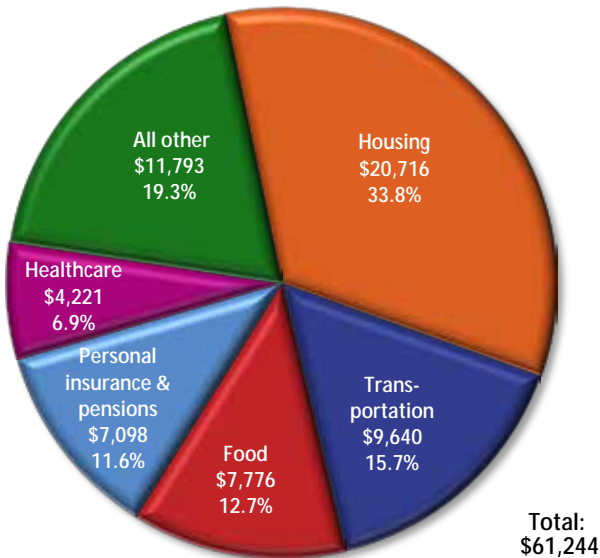
12-month percent change in CPI-U, April 2017



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

Average annual spending and percent distribution for selected categories

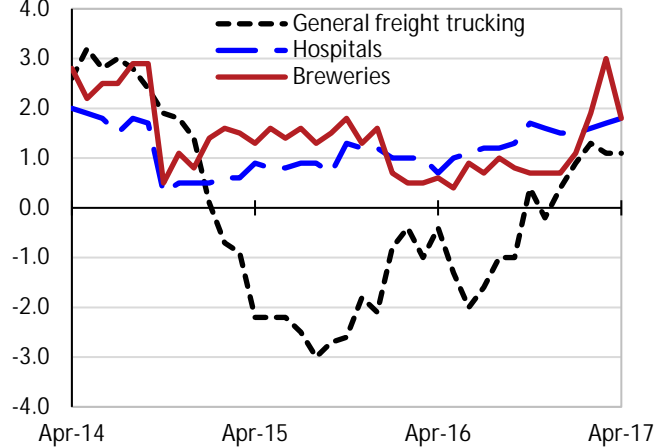
West Region average annual expenditures 2015



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

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 hourly wages for selected occupations

Occupation	Fort Collins area	United States
Total, all occupations	\$23.44	\$23.86
Computer hardware engineers	58.42	57.07
General and operations managers	52.82	58.70
Conservation scientists	33.35	31.31
Registered nurses	31.70	34.70
Accountants and auditors	31.18	36.89
Computer user support specialists	25.56	25.53
Library technicians	15.73	16.72
Construction laborers	14.09	18.22
Retail salespersons	13.25	13.07
Stock clerks and order fillers	13.02	12.82
Tellers	12.86	13.49
Fast food cooks	10.10	9.89

Source: U.S. BLS, Occupational Employment Statistics, May 2016.

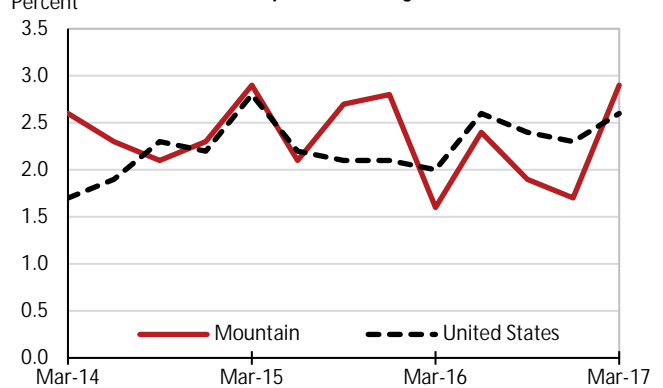
Employer costs per hour worked for wages and selected employee benefits by geographic division

Private industry, December 2016	Mountain (1)	United States
Total compensation	\$29.02	\$32.76
Wages and salaries	21.07	22.83
Total benefits	7.95	9.93
Paid leave	1.80	2.28
Vacation	0.93	1.17
Supplemental pay	0.75	1.15
Insurance	2.12	2.63
Retirement and savings	0.96	1.31
Legally required benefits	2.33	2.56

(1) Mountain includes AZ, CO, ID, MT, NM, NV, UT, and WY.  
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.

