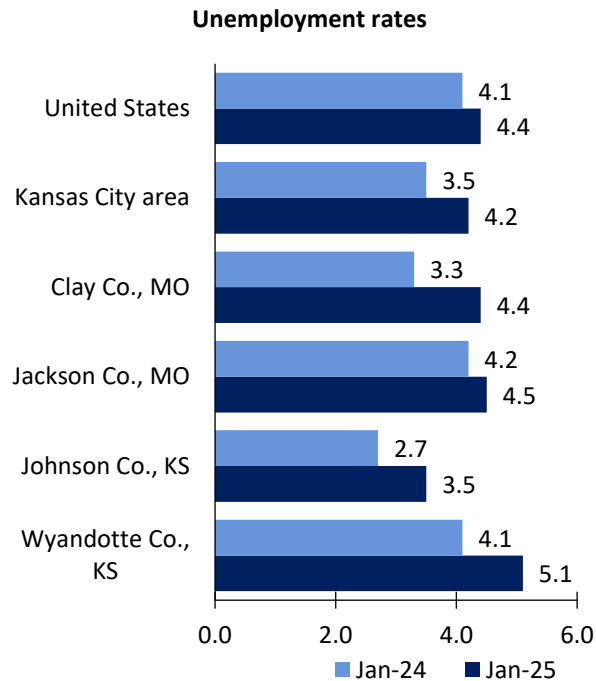


Kansas City Area Economic Summary

Updated March 21, 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>.

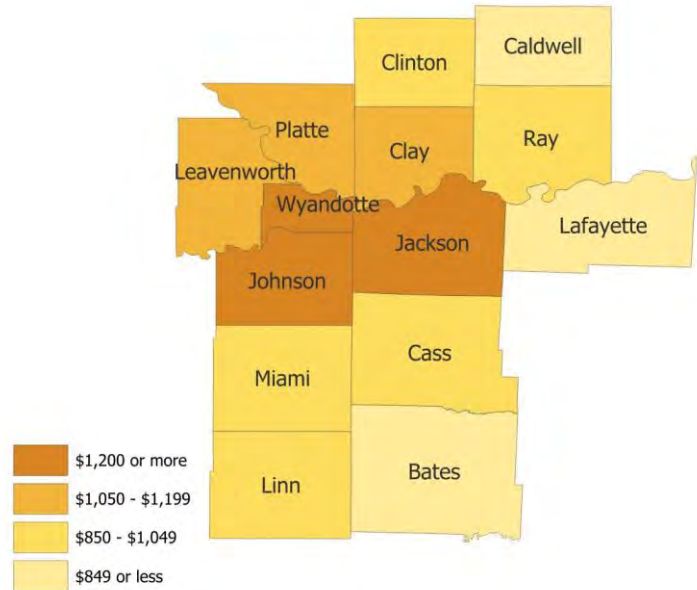
Unemployment rates for the nation and selected areas



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

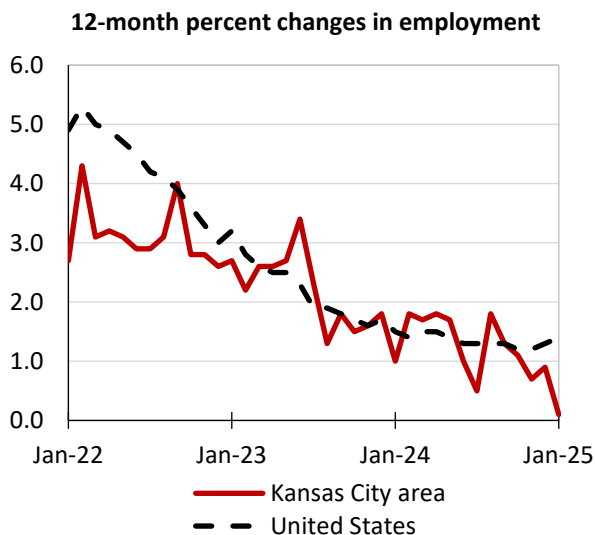
Average weekly wages for all industries by county

Kansas City area, third quarter 2024
(U.S. = \$1,394; Area = \$1,292)



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

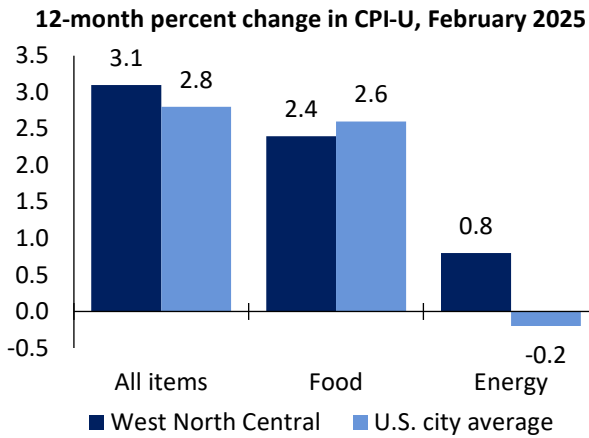
Employment on nonfarm payrolls and employment by major industry sector, over-the-year changes



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

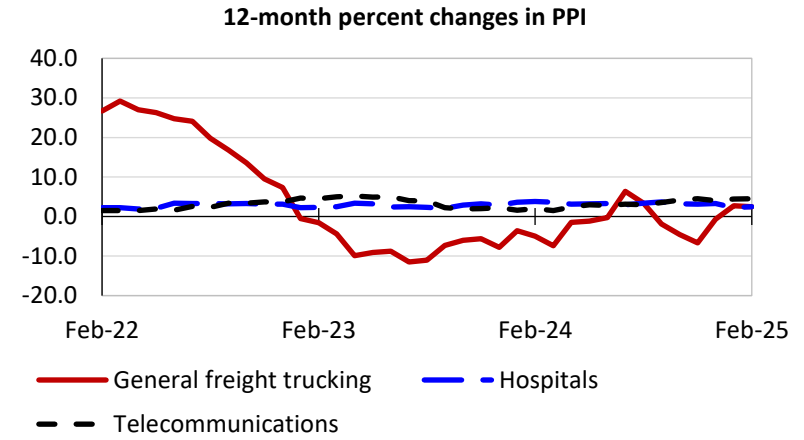
Kansas City area employment (number in thousands)	Jan. 2025	Change from Jan. 2024 to Jan. 2025	
		Number	Percent
Total nonfarm	1,124.4	1.4	0.1
Mining and logging	0.9	0.0	0.0
Construction	56.3	1.5	2.7
Manufacturing	86.9	-2.2	-2.5
Trade, transportation, and utilities	228.8	-1.3	-0.6
Information	16.4	-1.0	-5.7
Financial activities	79.5	1.8	2.3
Professional and business services	179.0	-2.9	-1.6
Education and health services	176.8	6.3	3.7
Leisure and hospitality	104.7	-5.3	-4.8
Other services	41.9	1.5	3.7
Government	153.2	3.0	2.0

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



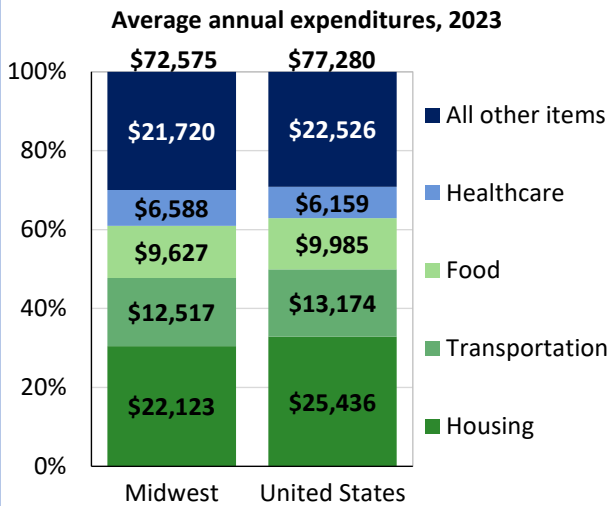
Source: U.S. BLS, Consumer Price Index.

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



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

Average annual spending and percent distribution for selected categories



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

Average hourly wages for selected occupations, May 2023

Occupation	Kansas City area	United States
All occupations	\$29.63	\$31.48
Air traffic controllers	69.14	65.77
Actuaries	67.33	63.70
Electrical engineers	48.49	56.58
Computer programmers	41.22	51.80
File clerks	20.06	19.58
Childcare workers	14.49	15.42

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

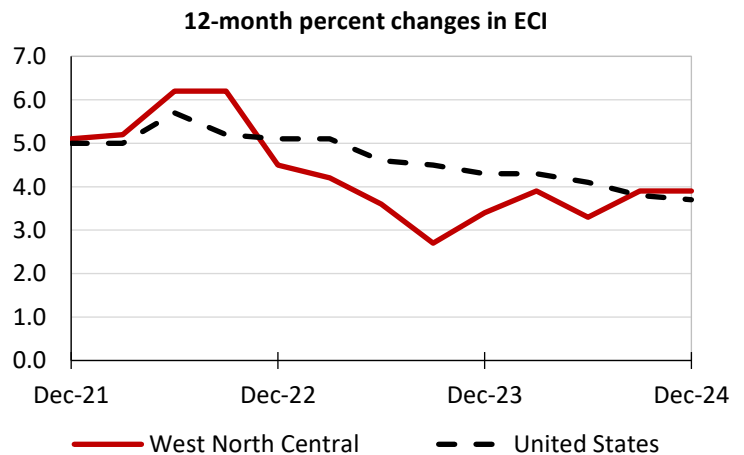
Employer costs per hour worked for wages and selected employee benefits by geographic division

Private industry, December 2024	West North Central	United States
Total compensation	\$39.29	\$44.67
Wages and salaries	27.72	31.47
Total benefits	11.57	13.20
Paid leave	2.78	3.38
Vacation	1.43	1.71
Supplemental pay	1.58	1.84
Insurance	3.17	3.22
Retirement and savings	1.14	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



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