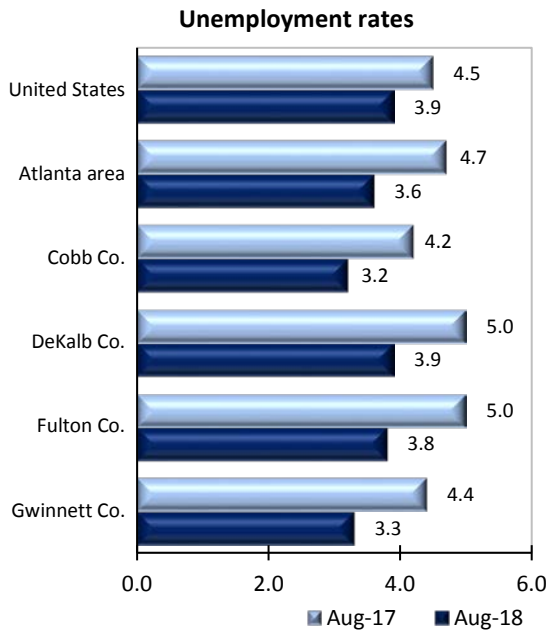


Atlanta Area Economic Summary

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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.

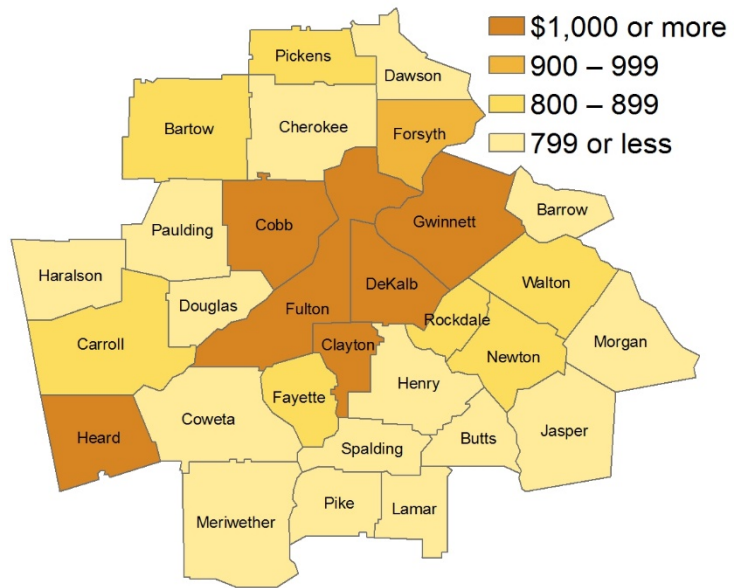
Unemployment rates for the Atlanta area, selected area counties, and the nation



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

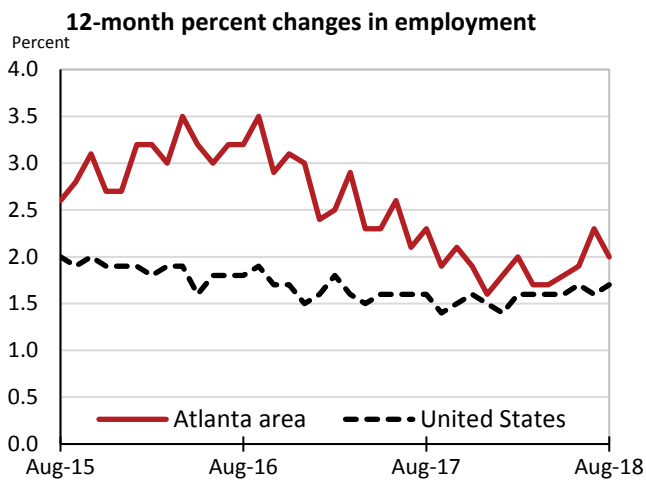
Average weekly wages for all industries by county

Atlanta area, 1st quarter 2018
(U.S. = \$1,152; Area = \$1,253)



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



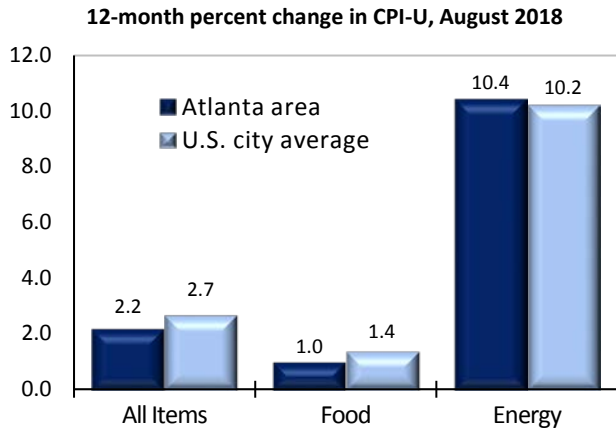
Source: U.S. BLS, Current Employment Statistics.

Atlanta area employment (numbers in thousands)	Aug. 2018	Change from Aug. 2017 to Aug. 2018	
		Number	Percent
Total nonfarm	2,791.4	53.7	2.0
Mining and logging	1.6	0.0	0.0
Construction	132.4	11.4	9.4
Manufacturing	168.9	1.3	0.8
Trade, transportation, and utilities	616.2	12.7	2.1
Information	96.7	-3.8	-3.8
Financial activities	170.9	-0.5	-0.3
Professional and business services	506.7	3.1	0.6
Education and health services	358.6	16.8	4.9
Leisure and hospitality	307.6	9.8	3.3
Other services	98.5	-1.7	-1.7
Government	333.3	4.6	1.4

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



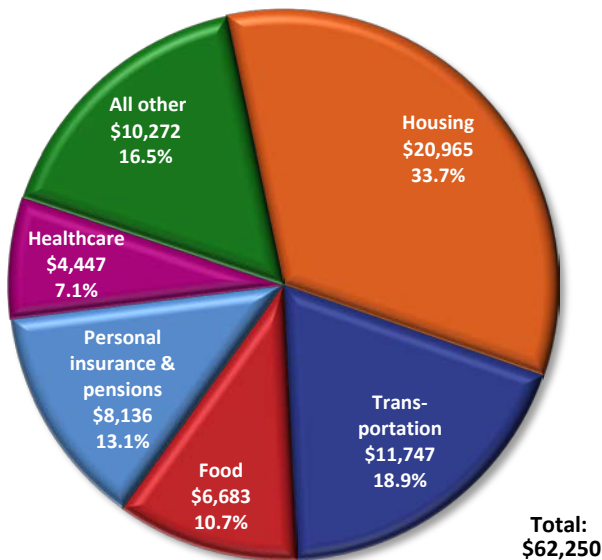
Over-the-year change in the prices paid by urban consumers for selected categories



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

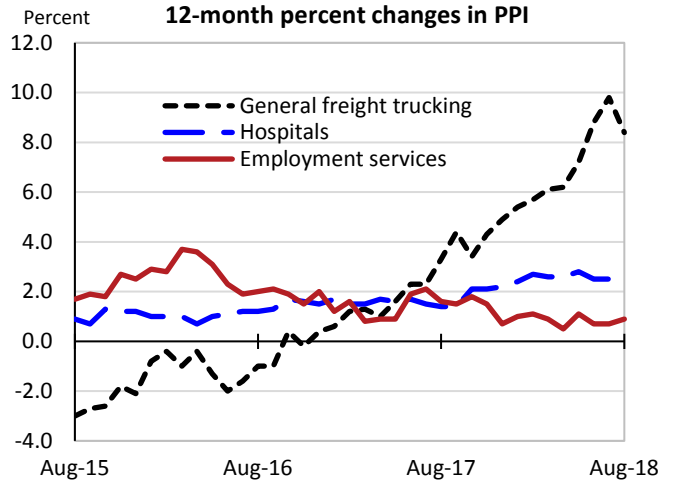
Average annual spending and percent distribution for selected categories

Atlanta area 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	Atlanta area	United States
Total, all occupations	\$24.71	\$24.34
Financial managers	71.92	69.01
General and operations managers	58.86	59.35
Management analysts	46.66	44.92
Computer systems analysts	43.46	44.59
Accountants and auditors	37.20	37.46
Registered nurses	33.92	35.36
Customer service representatives	17.46	17.14
Construction laborers	17.24	18.70
Retail salespersons	12.00	13.20
Cashiers	9.64	10.64
Cooks, fast food	9.35	10.39
Waiters and waitresses	9.25	12.15

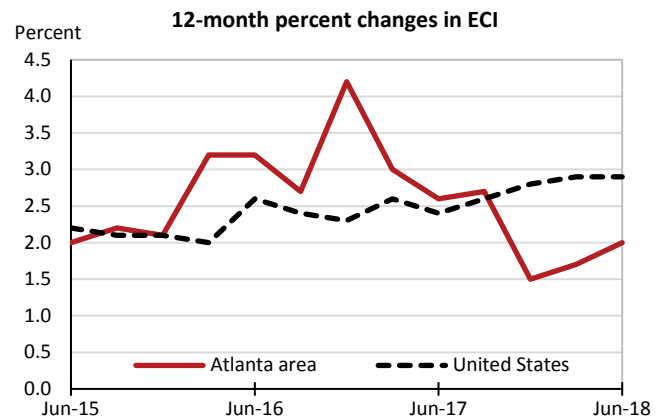
Source: U.S. BLS, Occupational Employment Statistics, May 2017.

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.