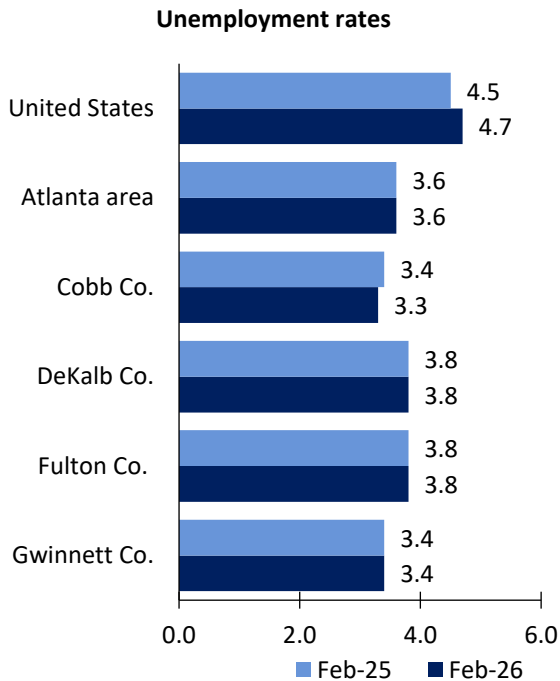


# Atlanta, GA, Area Economic Summary

Updated April 30, 2026

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>.

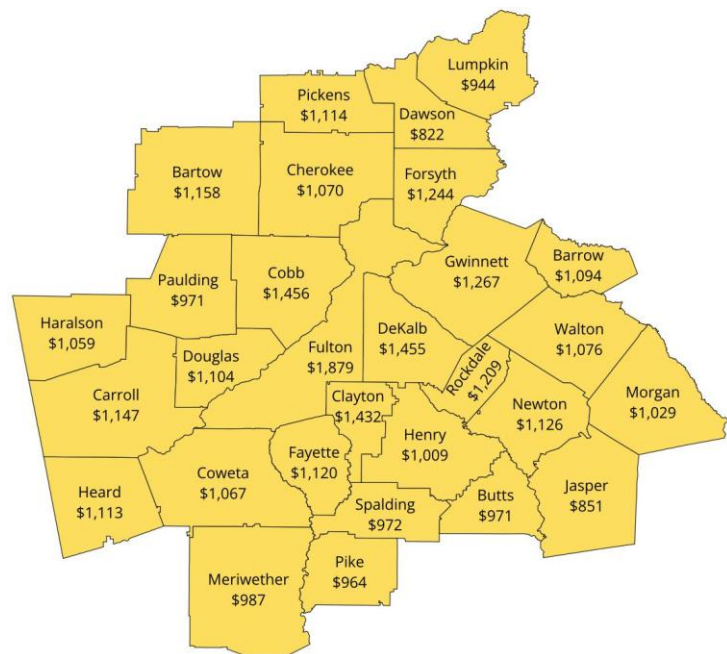
## Unemployment rates for the nation and selected areas



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

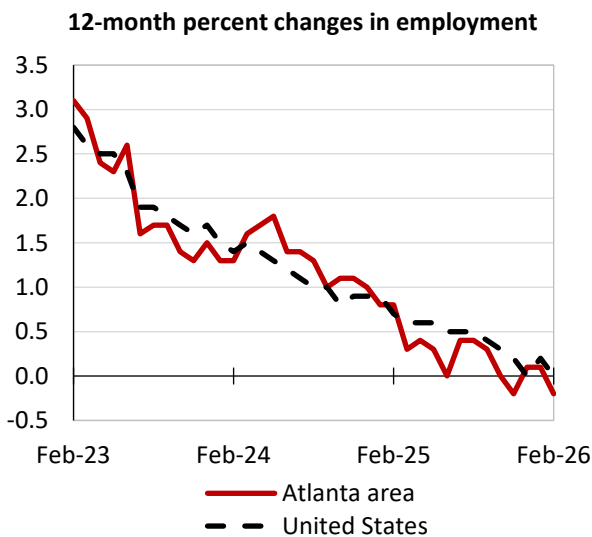
## Average weekly wages for all industries by county

Atlanta area, third quarter 2025  
(U.S. = \$1,459; Area = \$1,478)



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

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



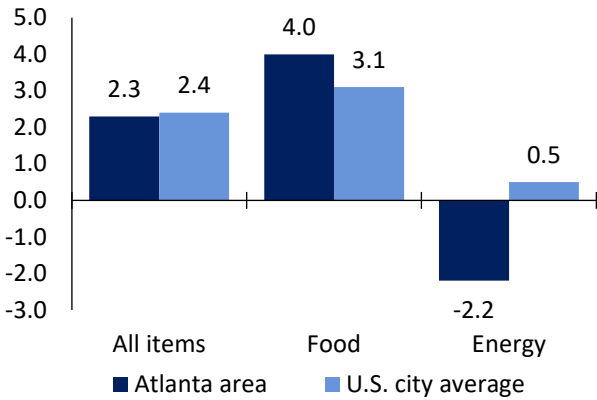
| Atlanta area employment<br>(number in thousands) | Feb. 2026 | Change from Feb. 2025 to Feb. 2026 |         |
|--|-----------|------------------------------------|---------|
|  |           | Number                             | Percent |
| Total nonfarm                                    | 3,094.8   | -5.7                               | -0.2    |
| Mining and logging                               | 2.3       | 0.0                                | 0.0     |
| Construction                                     | 152.5     | -1.3                               | -0.8    |
| Manufacturing                                    | 175.8     | -3.8                               | -2.1    |
| Trade, transportation, and utilities             | 641.1     | -10.9                              | -1.7    |
| Information                                      | 100.3     | -3.8                               | -3.7    |
| Financial activities                             | 209.9     | 1.5                                | 0.7     |
| Professional and business services               | 565.1     | -0.5                               | -0.1    |
| Education and health services                    | 474.6     | 17.5                               | 3.8     |
| Leisure and hospitality                          | 307.1     | 1.6                                | 0.5     |
| Other services                                   | 108.4     | 0.7                                | 0.6     |
| Government                                       | 357.7     | -6.7                               | -1.8    |

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



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

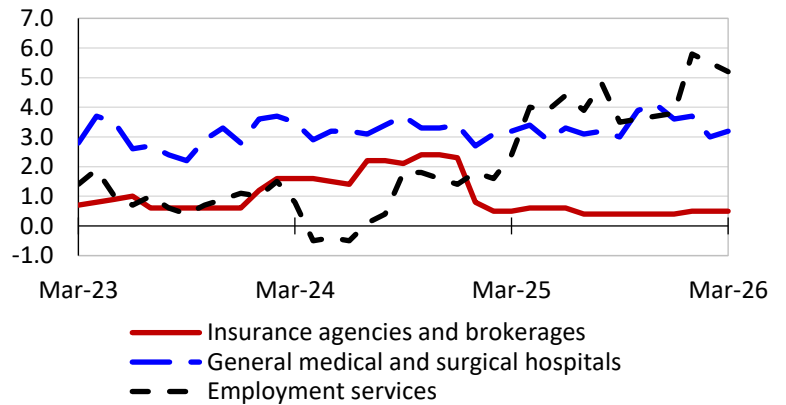
12-month percent change in CPI-U, February 2026



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

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

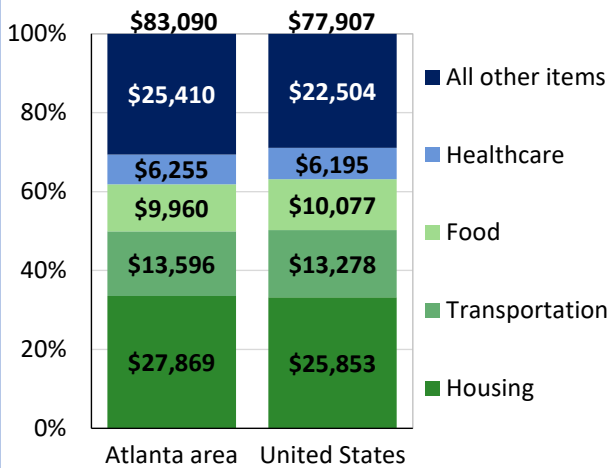
12-month percent changes in PPI



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

Average annual spending and percent distribution for selected categories

Average annual expenditures, 2023-2024



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

Average hourly wages for selected occupations, May 2024

| Occupation                             | Atlanta area | United States |
|--|--------------|---------------|
| All occupations                        | \$33.73      | \$32.66       |
| Training and development specialists   | 34.98        | 35.46         |
| Paralegals and legal assistants        | 31.92        | 31.98         |
| Computer user support specialists      | 31.11        | 31.25         |
| Industrial truck and tractor operators | 23.16        | 23.00         |
| Customer service representatives       | 21.35        | 21.82         |
| Childcare workers                      | 14.32        | 15.93         |

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

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

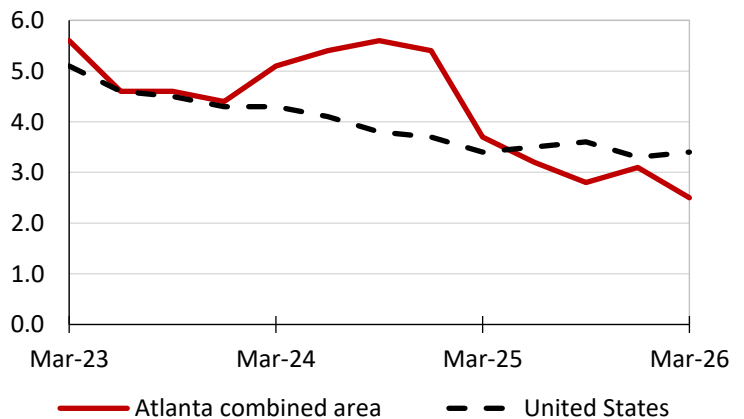
| Private industry, December 2025 | South Atlantic | United States |
|---------------------------------|----------------|---------------|
| Total compensation              | \$43.01        | \$46.15       |
| Wages and salaries              | 30.76          | 32.36         |
| Total benefits                  | 12.26          | 13.79         |
| Paid leave                      | 3.23           | 3.52          |
| Vacation                        | 1.62           | 1.75          |
| Supplemental pay                | 1.67           | 1.87          |
| Insurance                       | 3.04           | 3.51          |
| Retirement and savings          | 1.30           | 1.55          |
| Legally required benefits       | 3.01           | 3.34          |

Map of Census Regions and Divisions

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

Changes in wages and salaries over-the-year

12-month percent changes in ECI



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

