Charleston, SC, Area Economic Summary

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 Charleston area, selected area counties, and the nation

Average weekly wages for all industries by county

Charleston area, 4th quarter 2018
(U.S. = $1,144; Area = $977)

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

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 the selling prices received by producers for selected industries nationwide

Over-the-year changes in wages and salaries

South Region average annual expenditures 2017

Total: $54,815

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

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


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

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