

Chattanooga Area Economic Summary

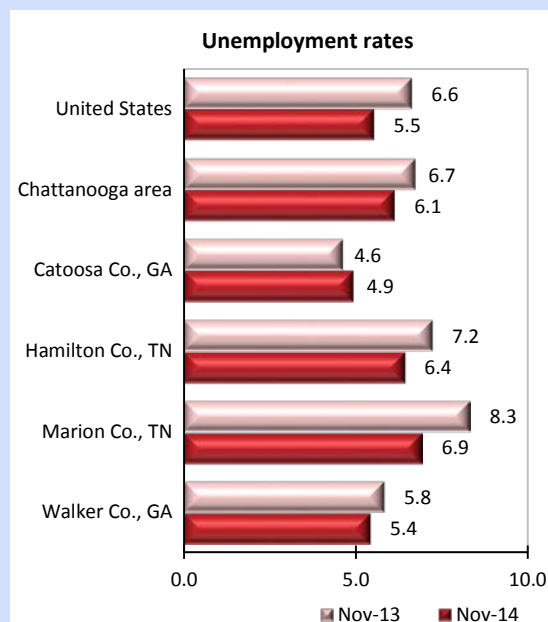


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This summary presents a sampling of economic information for the area; supplemental data are provided for regions and the nation. Subjects include **unemployment, employment, wages, prices, spending, and benefits**. All data are not seasonally adjusted 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 Chattanooga area, selected area counties, and the nation

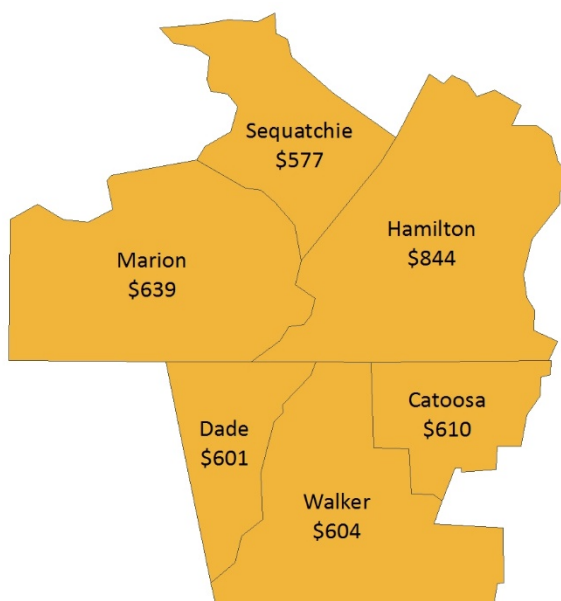


Source: U.S. BLS, Local Area Unemployment Statistics.

Average weekly wages for all industries by county

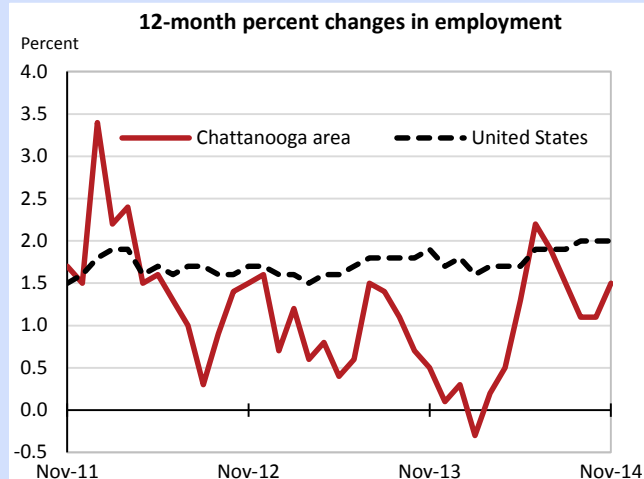
Chattanooga area, 2nd quarter 2014

(U.S. = \$940; Area = \$803)



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

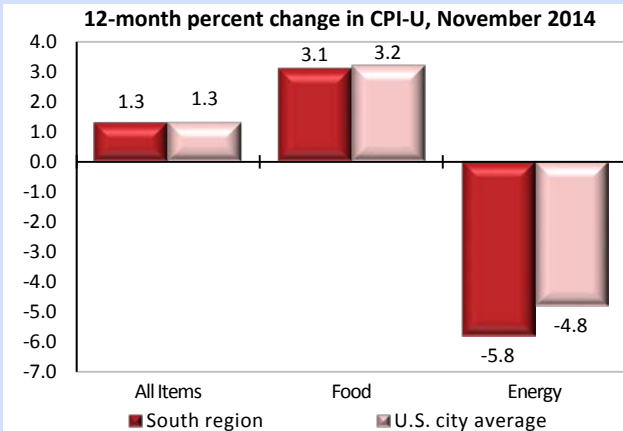


Source: U.S. BLS, Current Employment Statistics.

Chattanooga area employment (numbers in thousands)	Nov. 2014	Change from Nov. 2013 to Nov. 2014	
		Number	Percent
Total nonfarm	244.5	3.5	1.5
Mining, logging, and construction	9.4	0.4	4.4
Manufacturing	30.6	0.6	2.0
Trade, transportation, and utilities	53.5	1.0	1.9
Information	2.9	0.1	3.6
Financial activities	13.7	-0.1	-0.7
Professional and business services	27.7	-0.2	-0.7
Education and health services	32.8	-0.3	-0.9
Leisure and hospitality	27.4	2.4	9.6
Other services	9.8	0.0	0.0
Government	36.7	-0.4	-1.1

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

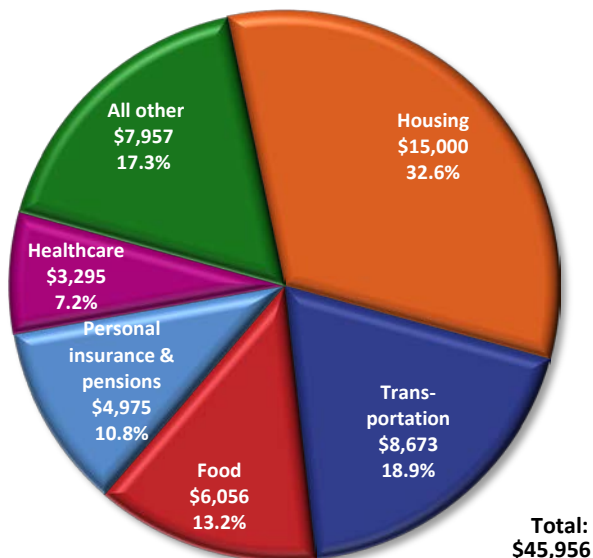
Over-the-year change in the prices paid by urban consumers for selected categories



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

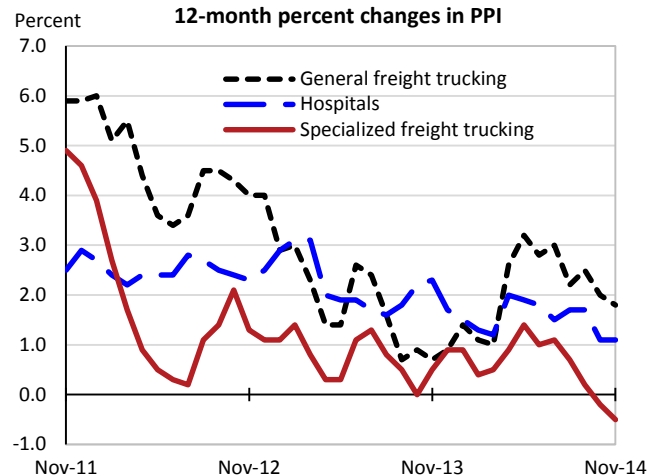
Average annual spending and percent distribution for selected categories

South Region average annual expenditures 2013



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	Chattanooga area	United States
Total, all occupations	\$19.29	\$22.33
General and operations managers	46.70	55.81
Accountants and auditors	28.63	34.86
Registered nurses	27.54	33.13
Heavy and tractor-trailer truck drivers	18.50	19.68
Team assemblers	14.19	14.71
Customer service representatives	13.80	16.04
Construction laborers	12.01	16.84
Receptionists and information clerks	11.59	13.20
Retail salespersons	11.45	12.20
Stock clerks and order fillers	11.06	11.99
Cooks, fast food	8.77	9.07
Waiters and waitresses	8.61	10.04

Source: U.S. BLS, Occupational Employment Statistics, May 2013.

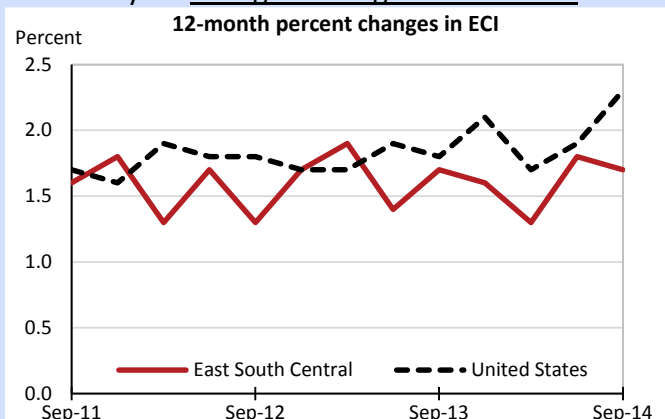
Employer costs per hour worked for wages and selected employee benefits by geographic division

Private industry, September 2014	East South Central (1)	United States
Total compensation	\$24.29	\$30.32
Wages and salaries	17.25	21.18
Total benefits	7.03	9.14
Paid leave	1.55	2.10
Vacation	0.79	1.09
Supplemental pay	0.67	0.86
Insurance	2.04	2.50
Retirement and savings	0.79	1.23
Legally required benefits	1.98	2.45

(1) East South Central includes AL, KY, MS, and TN.

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

Over-the-year changes in wages and salaries



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