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 nation and selected areas

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<tr>
<th>Area</th>
<th>Jul-21</th>
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<tr>
<td>United States</td>
<td>3.8</td>
<td>3.6</td>
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<td>Montgomery area</td>
<td>4.7</td>
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<td>Autauga Co.</td>
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Source: U.S. BLS, Local Area Unemployment Statistics.

### Average weekly wages

#### For all industries by county

**Montgomery area, fourth quarter 2021**

(U.S. = $1,418; Area = $1,086)

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<td>Autauga</td>
<td>$909</td>
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<td>Elmore</td>
<td>$834</td>
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<td>Lowndes</td>
<td>$1,035</td>
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<td>Montgomery</td>
<td>$1,141</td>
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Source: U.S. BLS, Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages.

### Over-the-year changes in employment on nonfarm payrolls

#### Employment by major industry sector

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<tr>
<th>Industry</th>
<th>Jul. 2022</th>
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<tr>
<td>Total nonfarm</td>
<td>178.6</td>
<td>5.0 2.9</td>
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<td>Mining, logging, and construction</td>
<td>7.0</td>
<td>0.2 2.9</td>
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<td>Manufacturing</td>
<td>18.3</td>
<td>0.6 3.4</td>
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<tr>
<td>Trade, transportation, and utilities</td>
<td>31.0</td>
<td>0.6 2.0</td>
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<td>Information</td>
<td>1.6</td>
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<td>Financial activities</td>
<td>7.8</td>
<td>0.2 2.6</td>
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<td>Professional and business services</td>
<td>23.4</td>
<td>1.9 8.8</td>
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<td>Education and health services</td>
<td>19.8</td>
<td>1.1 5.9</td>
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<tr>
<td>Leisure and hospitality</td>
<td>16.6</td>
<td>0.3 1.8</td>
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<tr>
<td>Other services</td>
<td>9.6</td>
<td>0.2 2.1</td>
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<td>Government</td>
<td>43.5</td>
<td>0.1 0.2</td>
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Over-the-year change in the prices paid by urban consumers for selected categories

12-month percent change in CPI-U, July 2022

- All items: 33.2%
- Food: 8.5%
- Energy: 11.1%
- South region: 10.9%
- U.S. city average: 9.4%

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

Over-the-year changes in the selling prices received by producers for selected industries nationwide

12-month percent changes in PPI

- General freight trucking: -10.0%
- Hospitals: -5.0%
- Employment services: 0.0%
- Construction laborers: 14.24%
- Retail salespersons: 12.39%

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

Average annual spending and percent distribution for selected categories

Average annual expenditures, United States and South region, 2020

- U.S. city average:
  - All items: $10,360
  - Food: $5,177
  - Energy: $7,246
  - South region:
    - All items: $9,029
    - Food: $6,477
    - Energy: $9,745

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

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

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<td>All occupations</td>
<td>$22.46</td>
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<td>Lawyers</td>
<td>55.07</td>
<td>71.17</td>
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<td>Accountants and auditors</td>
<td>32.94</td>
<td>40.37</td>
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<td>Registered nurses</td>
<td>30.39</td>
<td>39.78</td>
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<td>Customer service representatives</td>
<td>15.72</td>
<td>18.79</td>
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<td>Construction laborers</td>
<td>14.24</td>
<td>21.22</td>
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<td>Retail salespersons</td>
<td>12.39</td>
<td>15.35</td>
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Over-the-year changes in wages and salaries

12-month percent changes in ECI

- East South Central: 7.0%
- United States: 6.0%

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