

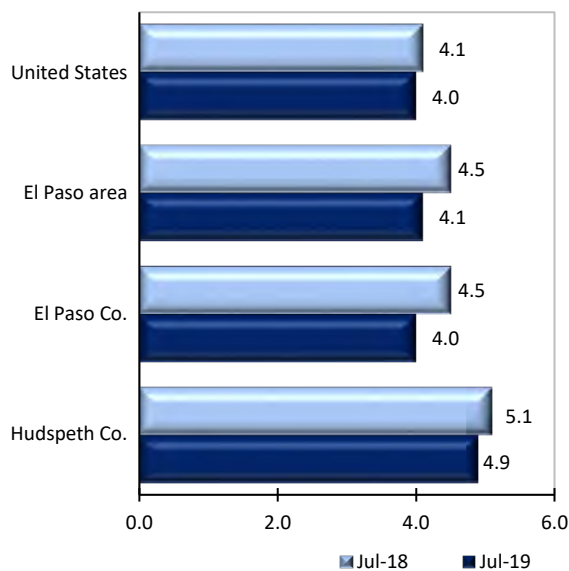
El Paso Area Economic Summary

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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 El Paso area, selected area counties, and the nation

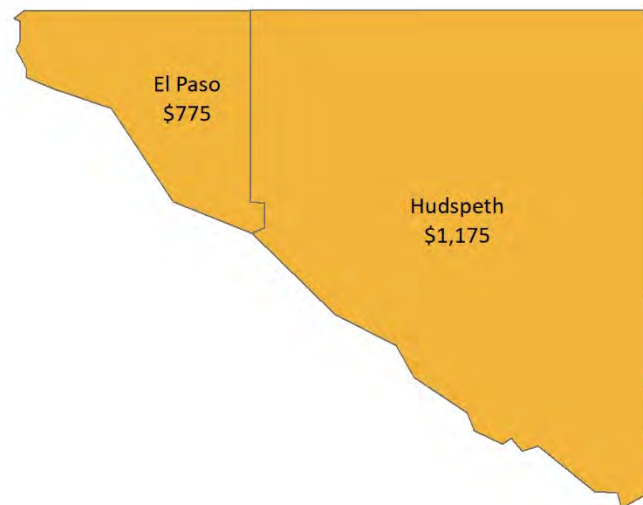
Unemployment rates



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

Average weekly wages for all industries by county

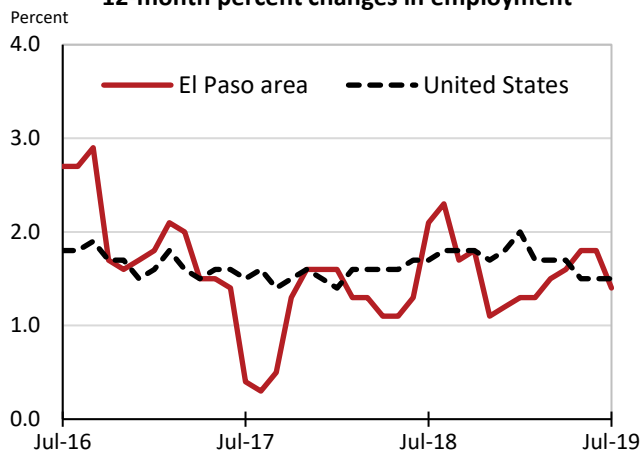
El Paso area, 4th quarter 2018
(U.S. = \$1,144; Area = \$777)



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

12-month percent changes in employment



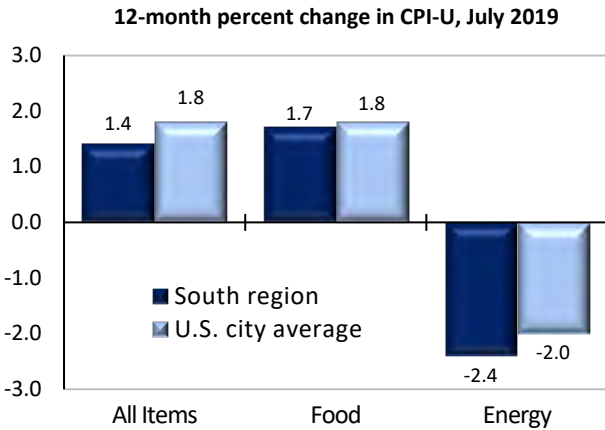
Source: U.S. BLS, Current Employment Statistics.

El Paso area employment (numbers in thousands)	Jul. 2019	Change from Jul. 2018 to Jul. 2019	
		Number	Percent
Total nonfarm	318.1	4.4	1.4
Mining, logging, and construction	18.3	2.3	14.4
Manufacturing	16.4	-0.3	-1.8
Trade, transportation, and utilities	68.4	0.3	0.4
Information	4.6	0.0	0.0
Financial activities	13.0	0.4	3.2
Professional and business services	33.8	-1.3	-3.7
Education and health services	47.5	1.4	3.0
Leisure and hospitality	37.9	0.7	1.9
Other services	9.3	0.2	2.2
Government	68.9	0.7	1.0

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



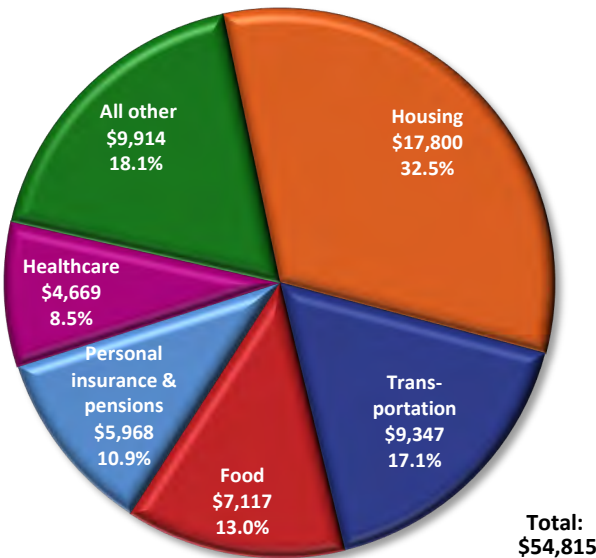
Over-the-year change in the prices paid by urban consumers for selected categories



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

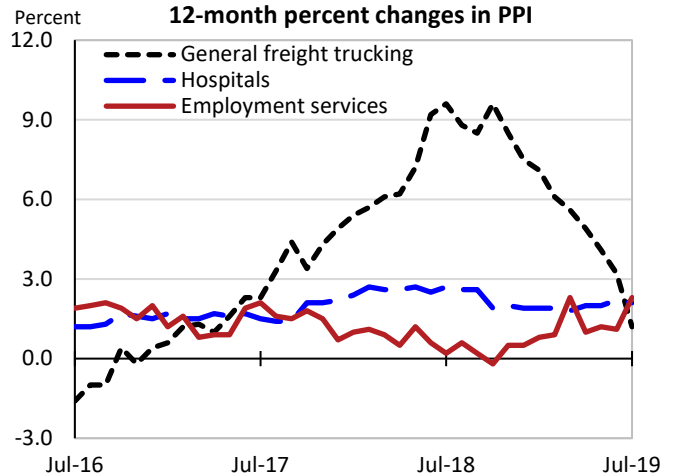
Average annual spending and percent distribution for selected categories

South Region average annual expenditures 2017



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	El Paso area	United States
Total, all occupations	\$18.80	\$24.98
Dentists, general	81.30	84.54
Human resources managers	47.51	60.91
Registered nurses	33.86	36.30
Accountants and auditors	29.97	37.89
Heavy and tractor-trailer truck drivers	21.80	21.91
Automotive service technicians and mechanics	16.17	21.02
Medical secretaries	13.43	17.83
Construction laborers	13.22	19.40
Customer service representatives	13.10	17.53
Retail salespersons	12.71	13.61
Medical assistants	12.23	16.61
Cooks, fast food	9.33	10.89

Source: U.S. BLS, Occupational Employment Statistics, May 2018.

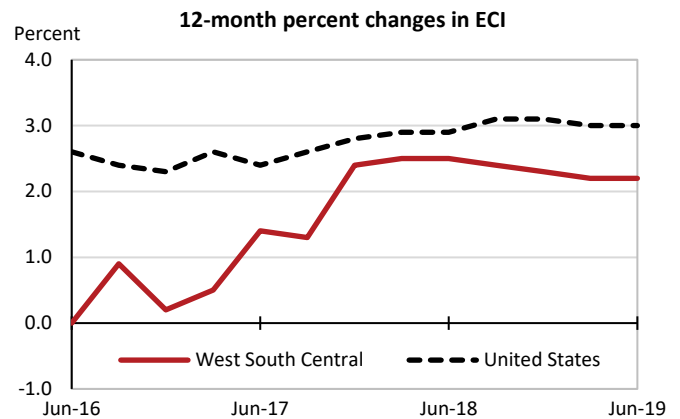
Employer costs per hour worked for wages and selected employee benefits by geographic division

Private industry, March 2019	West South Central (1)	United States
Total compensation	\$32.01	\$34.49
Wages and salaries	23.14	24.17
Total benefits	8.87	10.33
Paid leave	2.17	2.48
Vacation	1.08	1.28
Supplemental pay	1.16	1.10
Insurance	2.09	2.75
Retirement and savings	1.06	1.33
Legally required benefits	2.39	2.66

(1) West South Central includes AR, LA, OK, and TX.

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

Over-the-year changes in wages and salaries



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