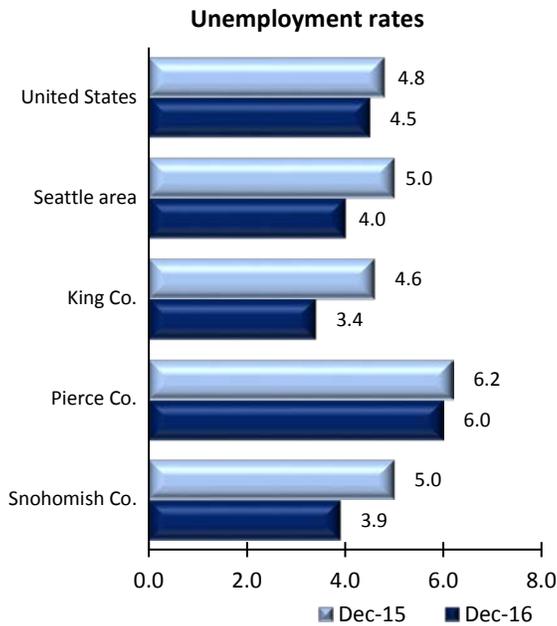


Seattle Area Economic Summary

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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 Seattle area, selected area counties, and the nation



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

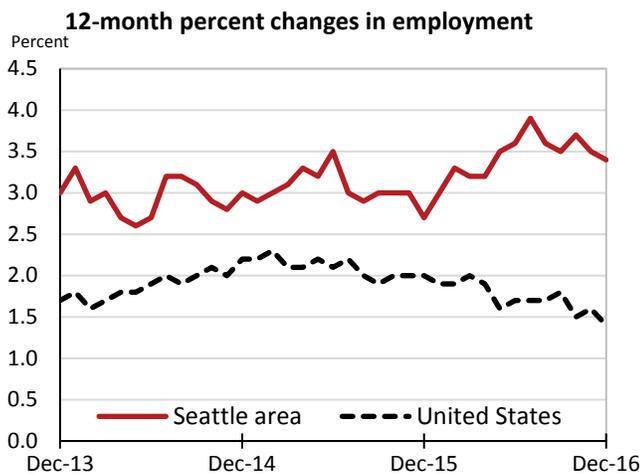
Average weekly wages for all industries by county

Seattle area, 2nd quarter 2016
(U.S. = \$989; Area = \$1,269)



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.

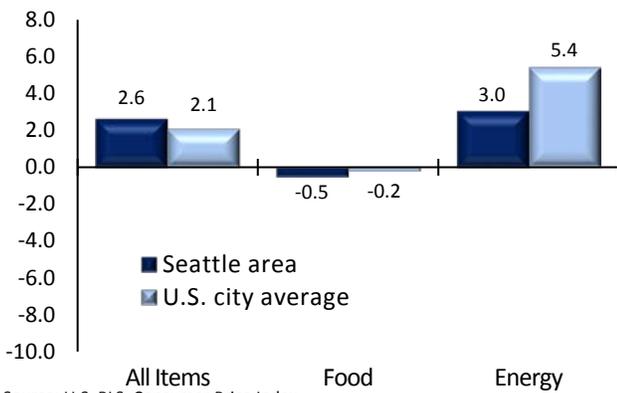
Seattle area employment (numbers in thousands)	Dec. 2016	Change from Dec. 2015 to Dec. 2016	
		Number	Percent
Total nonfarm	1,986.8	64.6	3.4
Mining and logging	1.1	0.0	0.0
Construction	113.1	6.8	6.4
Manufacturing	180.1	-6.5	-3.5
Trade, transportation, and utilities	386.0	16.6	4.5
Information	109.1	8.0	7.9
Financial activities	100.2	2.7	2.8
Professional and business services	278.9	5.5	2.0
Education and health services	268.7	9.7	3.7
Leisure and hospitality	194.1	8.3	4.5
Other services	74.7	5.2	7.5
Government	280.8	8.3	3.0

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



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

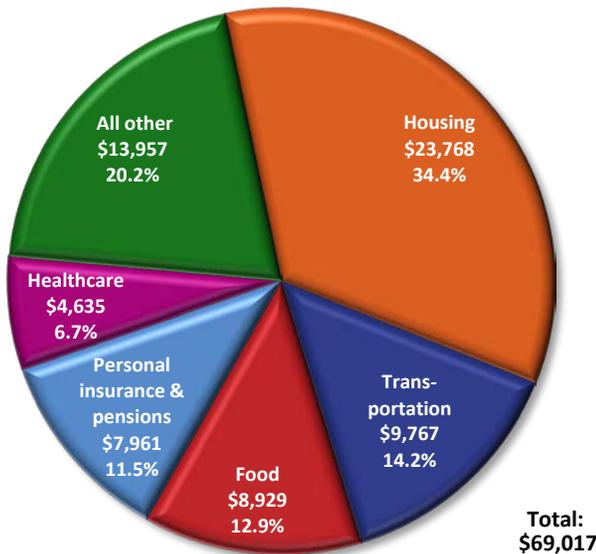
12-month percent change in CPI-U, December 2016



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

Average annual spending and percent distribution for selected categories

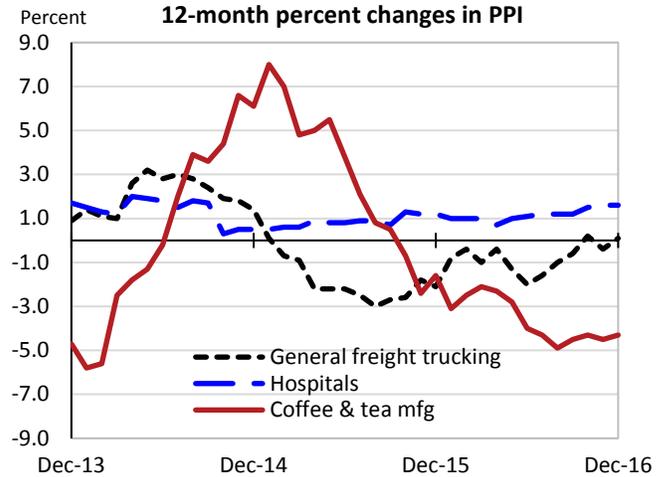
Seattle area average annual expenditures 2014-15



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

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

12-month percent changes in PPI



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

Average hourly wages for selected occupations

Occupation	Seattle area	United States
Total, all occupations	\$28.39	\$23.23
Computer programmers	58.84	40.56
Human resources managers	57.61	56.29
Civil engineers	41.61	42.28
Registered nurses	39.25	34.14
Mechanical drafters	37.67	27.22
Accountants and auditors	37.28	36.19
Roofers	24.62	19.54
Construction laborers	22.95	17.57
Retail salespersons	14.77	12.67
Cashiers	13.48	10.09
Personal care aides	12.39	10.48
Cooks, fast food	11.58	9.43

Source: U.S. BLS, Occupational Employment Statistics, May 2015.

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

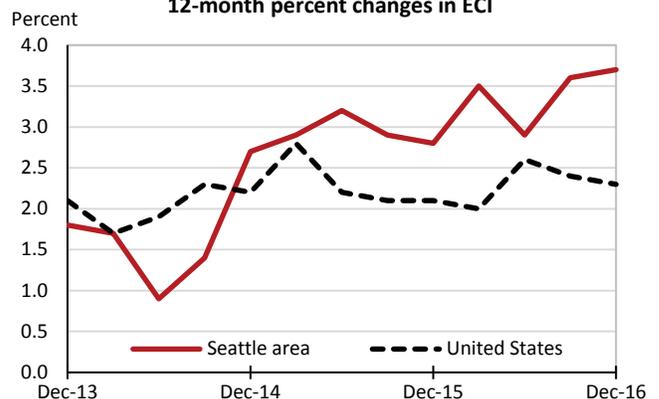
Private industry, September 2016	Pacific (1)	United States
Total compensation	\$35.79	\$32.27
Wages and salaries	25.15	22.52
Total benefits	10.64	9.75
Paid leave	2.41	2.21
Vacation	1.22	1.15
Supplemental pay	0.91	1.16
Insurance	2.74	2.59
Retirement and savings	1.55	1.25
Legally required benefits	3.03	2.54

(1) Pacific includes AK, CA, HI, OR, and WA.

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

Over-the-year changes in wages and salaries

12-month percent changes in ECI



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