Los Angeles 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 Los Angeles area, selected area counties, and the nation

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

Average weekly wages for all industries by county

Los Angeles area, 4th quarter 2018
(U.S. = $1,144; Area = $1,345)

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

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

### 12-month percent change in CPI-U, April 2019

- **All Items:**
  - Los Angeles area: 3.3%
  - U.S. city average: 2.0%
- **Food:**
  - Los Angeles area: 2.2%
  - U.S. city average: 1.8%
- **Energy:**
  - Los Angeles area: 8.8%
  - U.S. city average: 1.7%

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

Average annual spending and percent distribution for selected categories

### Los Angeles area average annual expenditures 2016-17

- **Total:** $66,971
  - **Housing:** $24,331 (36.3%)
  - **Food:** $8,727 (13.0%)
  - **Transportation:** $9,741 (14.5%)
  - **Personal insurance & pensions:** $8,538 (12.7%)
  - **Healthcare:** $3,956 (5.9%)
  - **All other:** $11,678 (17.4%)

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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(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.

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

### 12-month percent changes in PPI

- **General freight trucking**
- **Hospitals**
- **Real estate property managers**

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