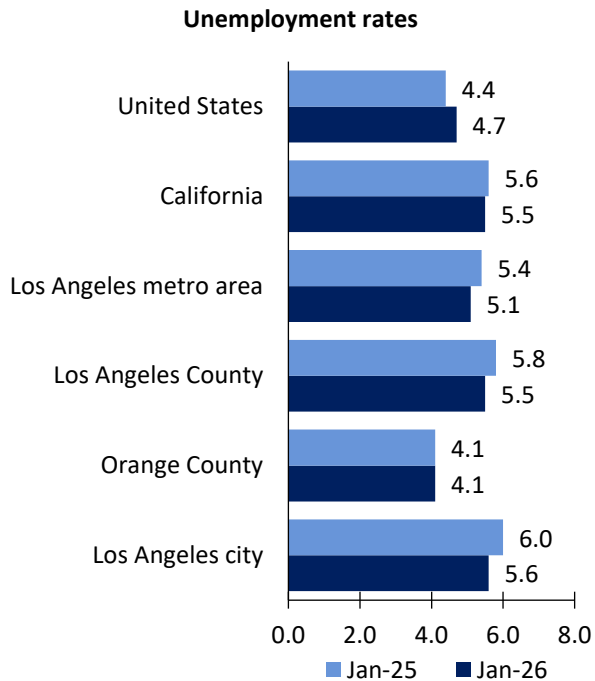


Los Angeles Area Economic Summary

Updated April 16, 2026

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 <https://www.bls.gov/regions/economic-summaries.htm>.

Unemployment rates for the nation and selected areas



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

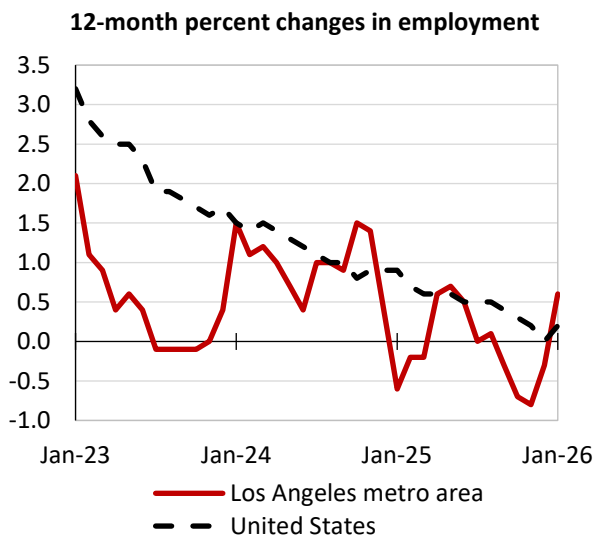
Average weekly wages for all industries by county

Los Angeles metro area, third quarter 2025
(U.S. = \$1,459; Area = \$1,579)



Source: U.S. BLS, Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages.

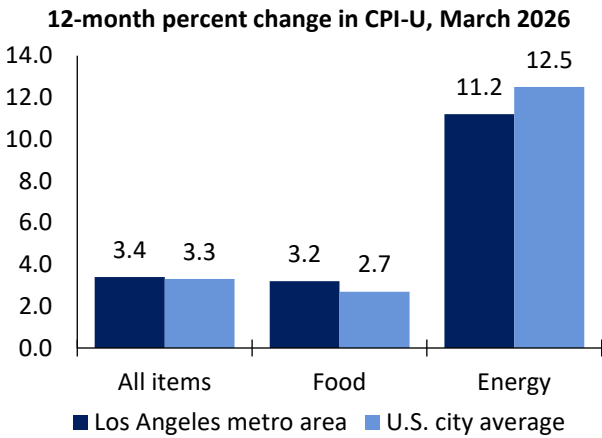
Employment on nonfarm payrolls and employment by major industry sector, over-the-year changes



Los Angeles metro area employment (number in thousands)	Jan. 2026	Change from Jan. 2025 to Jan. 2026	
		Number	Percent
Total nonfarm	6,258.8	36.3	0.6
Mining and logging	2.1	0.2	10.5
Construction	242.7	-5.4	-2.2
Manufacturing	445.6	-10.1	-2.2
Trade, transportation, and utilities	1,056.7	-6.0	-0.6
Information	193.2	0.0	0.0
Financial activities	304.9	0.4	0.1
Professional and business services	970.4	8.0	0.8
Education and health services	1,317.9	53.8	4.3
Leisure and hospitality	761.1	15.9	2.1
Other services	215.1	6.7	3.2
Government	749.1	-27.2	-3.5

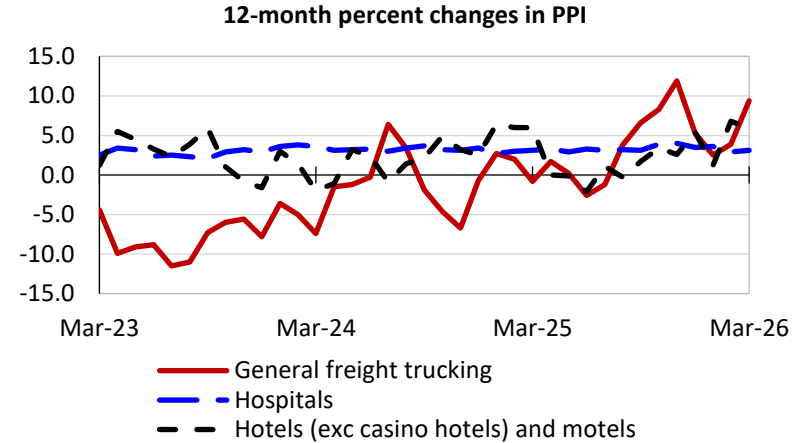
Source: U.S. BLS, Current Employment Statistics.

Prices paid by urban consumers for selected categories, over-the-year change



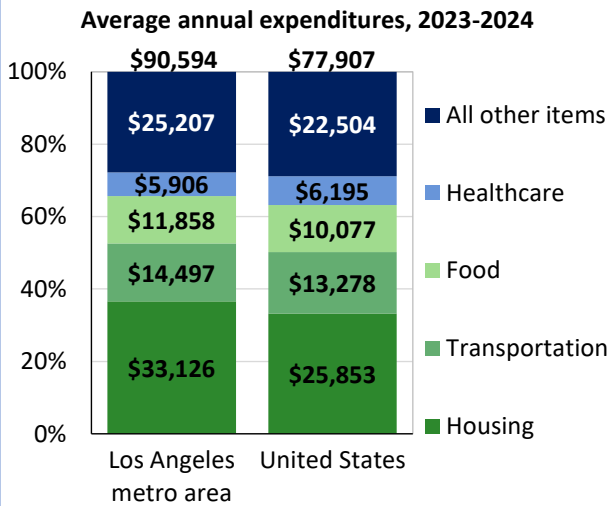
Source: U.S. BLS, Consumer Price Index.

Selling prices received by producers for selected industries nationwide, over-the-year change



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

Average annual spending and percent distribution for selected categories



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

Average hourly wages for selected occupations, May 2024

Occupation	Los Angeles metro area	United States
All occupations	\$36.64	\$32.66
Producers and directors	77.16	54.94
Art directors	72.32	61.59
Technical writers	48.17	44.39
Marriage and family therapists	35.29	34.96
Manicurists and pedicurists	17.71	17.74
Home health and personal care aides	17.43	16.82

Source: U.S. BLS, Occupational Employment and Wage Statistics.

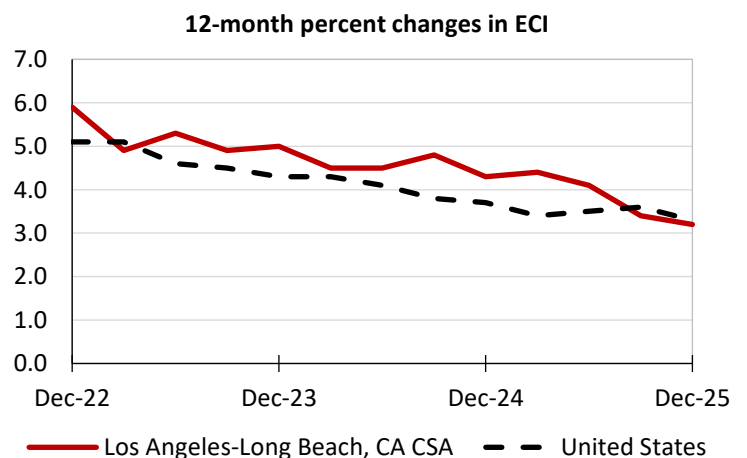
Employer costs per hour worked for wages and selected employee benefits by census division

Private industry, December 2025	Pacific	United States
Total compensation	\$54.56	\$46.15
Wages and salaries	37.52	32.36
Total benefits	17.04	13.79
Paid leave	4.42	3.52
Vacation	2.18	1.75
Supplemental pay	2.56	1.87
Insurance	3.85	3.51
Retirement and savings	2.06	1.55
Legally required benefits	4.15	3.34

Map of Census Regions and Divisions

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

Changes in wages and salaries over-the-year



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

