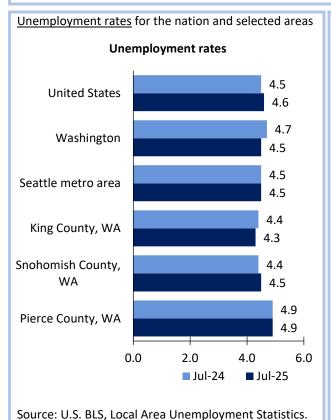
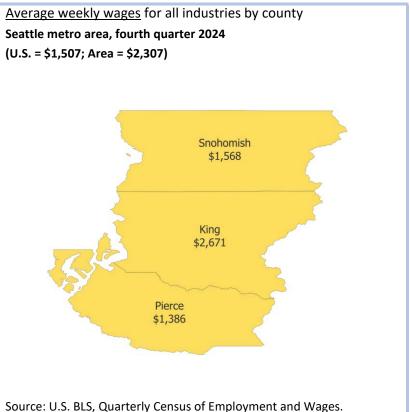
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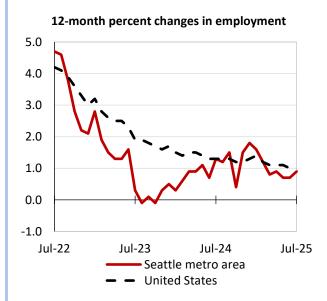
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This summary presents a sampling of economic information for the area; supplemental data are provided for regions and the nation. Subjects include unemployment, employment, wages, prices, spending, and benefits. All data are not seasonally adjusted and some may be subject to revision. Area definitions may differ by subject. For more area summaries and geographic definitions, see https://www.bls.gov/regions/economic-summaries.htm.





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

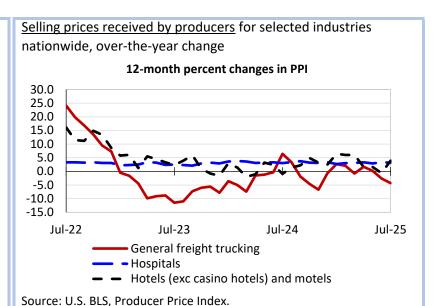


Seattle metro area employment	Jul. 2025	Change from Jul. 2024 to Jul. 2025	
(number in thousands)		Number	Percent
Total nonfarm	2,173.2	20.1	0.9
Mining, logging, and construction	124.6	-3.5	-2.7
Manufacturing	164.3	-5.3	-3.1
Trade, transportation, and utilities	359.1	3.1	0.9
Information	138.8	1.5	1.1
Financial activities	101.9	-0.2	-0.2
Professional and business services	389.8	1.0	0.3
Education and health services	314.9	15.5	5.2
Leisure and hospitality	216.3	5.2	2.5
Other services	77.2	3.1	4.2
Government	286.3	-0.3	-0.1

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



Prices paid by urban consumers for selected categories, over-the-year change 12-month percent change in CPI-U, June 2025 6.0 5.0 4.8 5.0 4.0 3.0 2.7 2.7 3.0 2.0 1.0 0.0 -1.0 -0.8 -2.0 All items Food Energy ■ Seattle metro area U.S. city average



<u>Average annual spending</u> and percent distribution for selected categories

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

Average annual expenditures, 2022-2023 \$101,306 \$75,172 100% ■ All other items \$21,861 \$33,891 80% Healthcare \$6,042 \$6,236 60% \$9,665 \$12,756 Food \$13,353 \$12,736 40% ■ Transportation 20% \$35,070 \$24,868 ■ Housing 0% Seattle metro United States area

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

Average hourly wages for selected occupations, May 2024

Occupation	Seattle metro area	United States
All occupations	\$43.16	\$32.66
Computer and information research scientists	103.15	73.23
Software developers	87.04	69.50
Aerospace engineers	77.54	67.88
Avionics technicians	46.29	39.59
Aircraft structure, surfaces, rigging, and systems assemblers	38.37	31.98
Bus drivers, transit and intercity	37.13	28.07

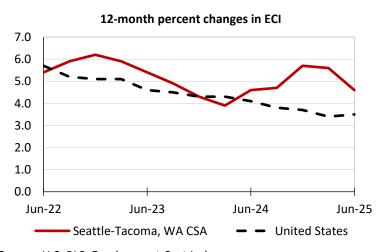
Source: U.S. BLS, Occupational Employment and Wage Statistics.

<u>Employer costs</u> per hour worked for wages and selected employee benefits by census division

Private industry,	West census	United
March 2025	region	States
Total compensation	\$49.50	\$45.38
Wages and salaries	34.73	31.89
Total benefits	14.77	13.49
Paid leave	3.80	3.43
Vacation	1.89	1.74
Supplemental pay	2.11	1.89
Insurance	3.42	3.34
Retirement and savings	1.66	1.53
Legally required benefits	3.77	3.29

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.

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