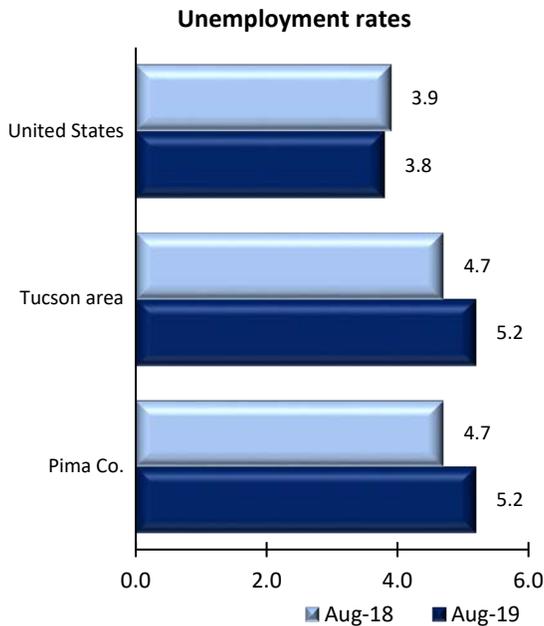


# Tucson Area Economic Summary

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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](http://www.bls.gov/regions/economic-summaries.htm).

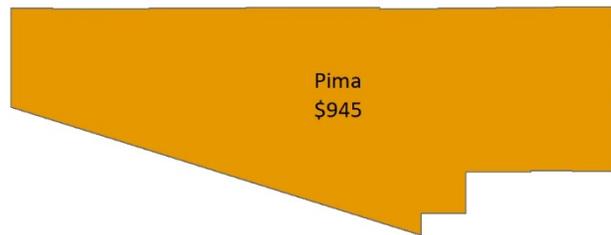
Unemployment rates for the Tucson area, selected area counties, and the nation



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

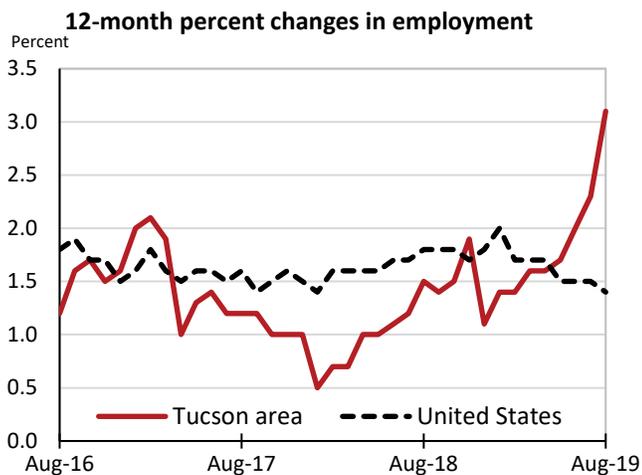
Average weekly wages for all industries by county

Tucson area, 1st quarter 2019  
(U.S. = \$1,184; Area = \$945)



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

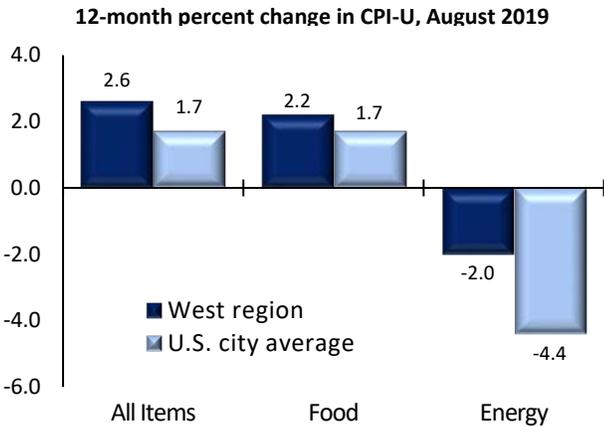


Source: U.S. BLS, Current Employment Statistics.

Tucson area employment (numbers in thousands)	Aug. 2019	Change from Aug. 2018 to Aug. 2019	
		Number	Percent
Total nonfarm	386.3	11.5	3.1
Mining and logging	1.9	0.0	0.0
Construction	17.9	0.8	4.7
Manufacturing	27.0	1.5	5.9
Trade, transportation, and utilities	58.8	-1.4	-2.3
Information	5.6	0.1	1.8
Financial activities	18.4	0.2	1.1
Professional and business services	51.8	0.1	0.2
Education and health services	70.0	4.0	6.1
Leisure and hospitality	45.0	1.7	3.9
Other services	13.2	-0.2	-1.5
Government	76.7	4.7	6.5

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

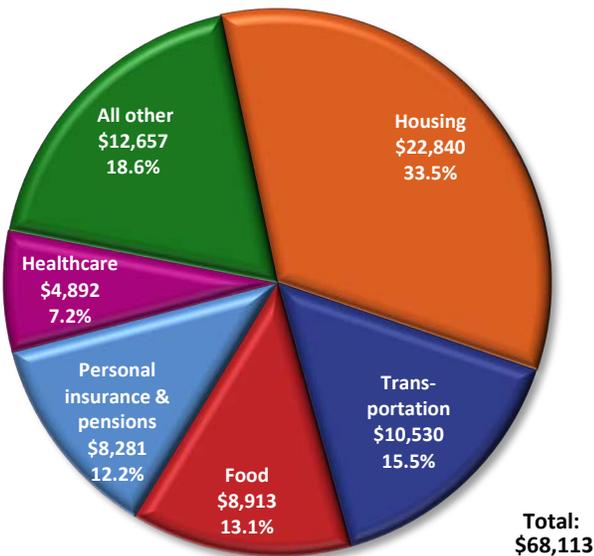
Over-the-year change in the prices paid by urban consumers for selected categories



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

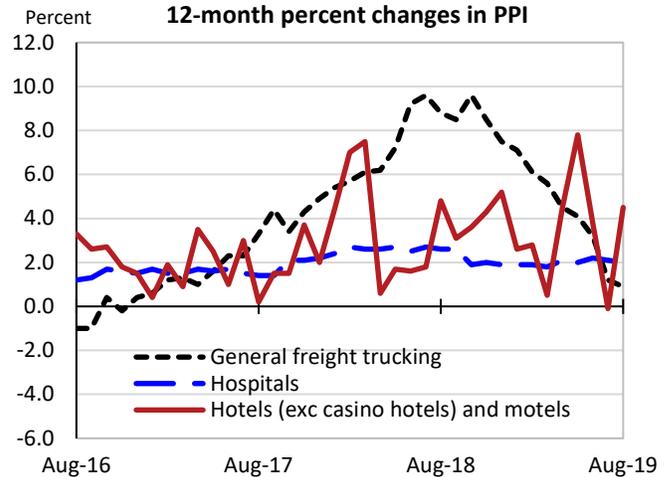
Average annual spending and percent distribution for selected categories

West Region average annual expenditures 2018



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	Tucson area	United States
Total, all occupations	\$22.89	\$24.98
Detectives and criminal investigators	39.87	40.88
Registered nurses	35.79	36.30
Accountants and auditors	32.05	37.89
Correctional officers and jailers	20.40	23.70
Plasterers and stucco masons	18.93	22.89
Construction laborers	15.19	19.40
Medical assistants	15.04	16.61
Customer service representatives	14.55	17.53
Telemarketers	13.01	13.72
Retail salespersons	12.85	13.61
Personal care aides	11.44	12.06
Cooks, fast food	11.12	10.89

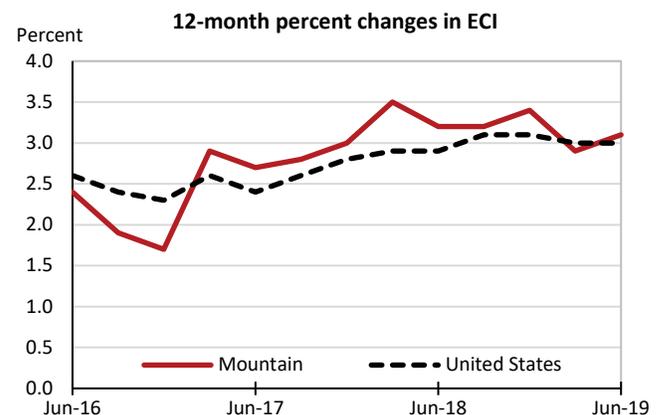
Source: U.S. BLS, Occupational Employment Statistics, May 2018.

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

Private industry, June 2019	Mountain (1)	United States
Total compensation	\$33.47	\$34.44
Wages and salaries	23.85	24.14
Total benefits	9.63	10.30
Paid leave	2.35	2.47
Vacation	1.19	1.27
Supplemental pay	0.96	1.11
Insurance	2.51	2.76
Retirement and savings	1.30	1.31
Legally required benefits	2.52	2.66

(1) Mountain includes AZ, CO, ID, MT, NM, NV, UT, and WY.  
Source: U.S. BLS, Employer Costs for Employee Compensation.

Over-the-year changes in wages and salaries



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