Selected BLS Economic Indicators

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This fact sheet presents recent **employment and unemployment** figures for the Detroit area, Michigan, and the United States. The **Consumer Price Index (CPI)** measures price changes or inflation for particular commodities and services at the retail level. The **Producer Price Index (PPI)** measures price changes or inflation for particular commodities and services at the wholesale level and is widely used by business firms as an escalator in long-term contracts. The **Employment Cost Index (ECI)** measures price changes or inflation of labor costs which includes wages and salaries and employer costs for employee benefits. An **occupational pay relative** is a calculation of pay—wages, salaries, commissions, and production bonuses—for a given metropolitan area relative to the nation as a whole; the calculation controls for differences among areas in occupational composition, establishment, and occupational characteristics, and the fact that data are collected for areas at different times during the year.

Consumer Price Index	May	May	Percent
(1982-84 = 100)	2008	2009	change
All Urban Consumers (CPI-U)			
U.S. City Average	216.632	213.856	-1.3
Midwest	207.168	203.195	-1.9
Detroit-Ann Arbor-Flint ₁ (Apr '08 and '09)*	205.281	202.373	-1.4
Wage Earners & Clerical Workers (CPI-W)			
U.S. City Average	212.788	208.774	-1.9
Midwest	202.912	197.971	-2.4
Detroit-Ann Arbor-Flint ₁ (even months)*	201.037	197.239	-1.9
Producer Price Index, U.S.	May	May	Percent
(1982 = 100)	2008	2009(p)	change
Finished goods	179.8	170.8	-5.0
All commodities	196.6	170.2	-13.4
Industrial commodities	200.0	171.2	-14.4

p = preliminary, *CPI is released bi-monthly for Detroit on even months

Unemployment levels, age 16 years and over (not seasonally adjusted, in thousands)

Area	May 2008	May 2009 (p)	Net change
United States	8,076.0	13,973.0	5,897.0
Michigan	397.5	672.1	274.6
Detroit-Warren-Livonia ₃	174.9	310.7	135.8

p = preliminary



Employment Cost Index (December 2005 = 100)	Mar 2008	Mar 2009	Percent change
Total Compensation-Private Industry			
United States	107.3	109.3	1.9
Detroit-Warren-Flint ₂	-	-	2.6
Occupational pay relatives (U.S. = 100)	July 2007		
Detroit-Warren-Flint ₂			
All occupations	105*		
Management, business, and financial	98		
Professional and business services	104*		
Service	103*		
Sales and related	98		
Office and administrative support	105*		
Construction and extraction	101		
Installation, maintenance, and repair	97		
Production	117*		
Transportation and material moving	109*		

^{*}The pay relative for this occupation is signficantly different from the national average at the 90-percent confidence level.

Nonfarm payroll employment

(not seasonally adjusted, in thousands)

Area	May 2008	May 2009 (p)	Net change	Percent change
United States	138,190.0	132,667.0	-5,523.0	-4.0
Michigan	4,227.0	3,927.6	-299.4	-7.1
Detroit-Warren-Livonia ₃	1,931.5	1,777.0	-154.5	-8.0

p = preliminary

Detroit-Warren-Livonia MSA payroll employment by industry sector

(not seasonally adjusted, in thousands)

Industry	May 2008	May 2009 (p)
Total nonfarm	1,931.5	1,777.0
Mining, logging & construction	66.9	53.3
Manufacturing	236.0	185.9
Trade, transportation and utilities	360.0	338.0
Information	32.5	29.7
Financial activities	108.5	99.1
Professional & bus. services	344.0	299.3
Education and health services	283.4	283.7
Leisure and hospitality	186.5	181.2
Other services	87.9	85.2
Government	225.8	221.6
p = preliminary		

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- 1. The **Detroit-Ann-Arbor Flint** Metropolitan Statistical Areas includes Genesee, Lapeer, Lenawee, Livingston, Macomb, Monroe, Okland, St. Clair, Washtenaw, and Wayne counties.
- 2. The **Detroit-Warren-Flint** Metropolitan Statistical Area includes Genesee, Lapeer, Livingston, Macomb, Monroe, Okland, St. Clair, Washtenaw, and Wayne counties.
- The Detroit-Warren-Livonia Metropolitan Statistical Area includes Wayne, Lapeer, Livingston, Macomb, Oakland, and St. Clair counties.