

Austin Area Selected Economic Data

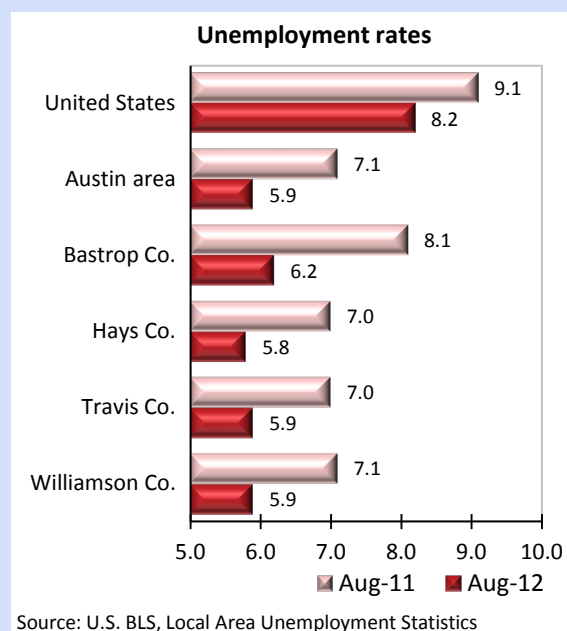


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This fact sheet presents a sampling of data for the **Austin** area. Supplemental data are provided for regions and the nation. Subjects include **unemployment, employment, wages, prices, spending, and benefits**. All data are not seasonally adjusted and some may be subject to revision. Area definitions may differ by subject. See www.bls.gov/regions/overviews.htm for more area fact sheets and area definitions.

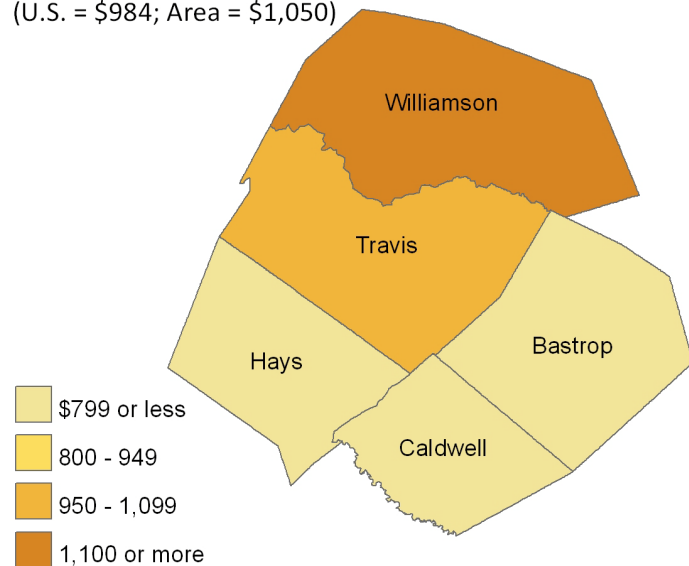
Unemployment rates for the Austin area, selected area counties, and the nation



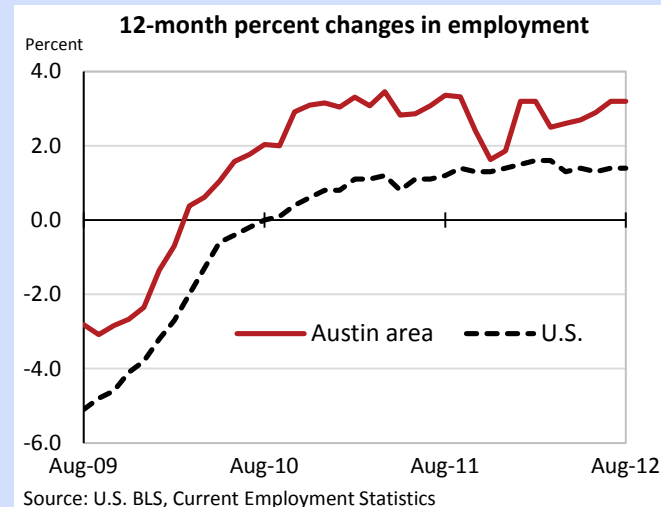
Average weekly wages for all industries by county

Austin area, 1st quarter 2012

(U.S. = \$984; Area = \$1,050)



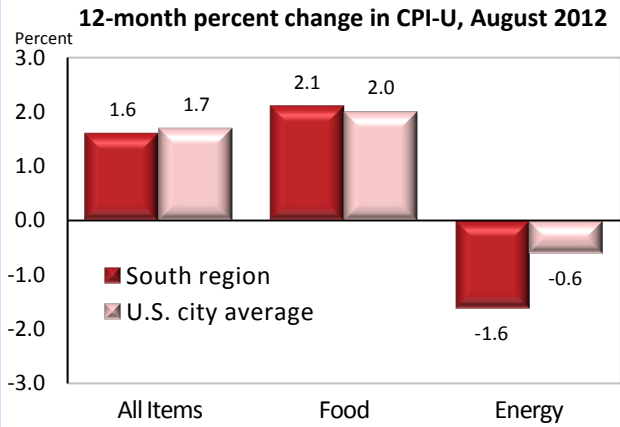
Over-the-year changes in employment on nonfarm payrolls and employment by major industry sector



Austin area employment (numbers in thousands)	Aug. 2012	Change from Aug. 2011 to Aug. 2012	
		Number	Percent
Total nonfarm	819.3	25.7	3.2
Mining, logging, and construction	43.0	2.9	7.2
Manufacturing	51.5	0.7	1.4
Trade, transportation, and utilities	141.0	2.1	1.5
Information	20.3	0.1	0.5
Financial activities	47.2	2.8	6.3
Professional and business services	128.3	8.2	6.8
Education and health services	92.1	0.5	0.5
Leisure and hospitality	96.0	4.1	4.5
Other services	34.6	0.8	2.4
Government	165.3	3.5	2.2

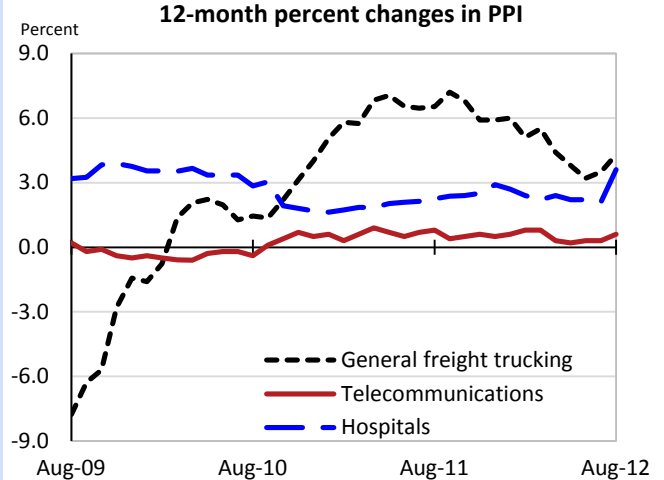
Source: U.S. BLS, Current Employment Statistics

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



Source: U.S. BLS, Consumer Price Index

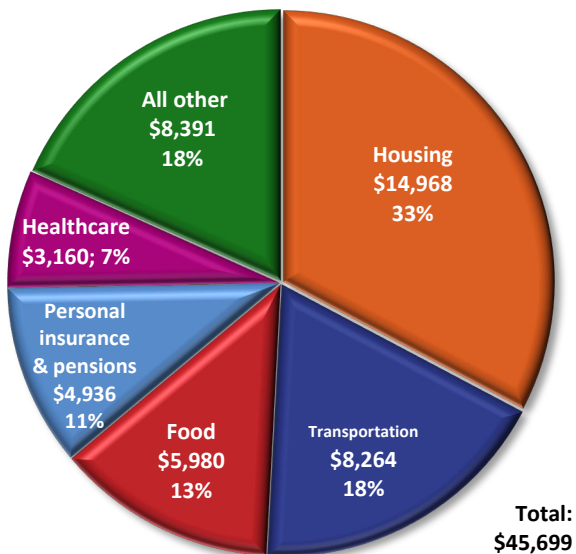
Over-the-year changes in the selling prices received by producers for selected industries nationwide



Source: U.S. BLS, Producer Price Index

Average annual spending and percent distribution for selected categories

South region average annual expenditures 2011



Source: U.S. BLS, Consumer Expenditure Survey

Average hourly wages for selected occupations

Occupation	Austin area	United States
Total, all occupations	\$22.76	\$21.74
General dentists	90.89	77.76
Human resources managers	57.41	52.21
Computer hardware engineers	47.03	48.73
Computer systems analysts	40.99	39.58
Accountants and auditors	33.31	33.72
Registered nurses	33.09	33.23
Librarians	26.93	27.41
Team assemblers	12.38	14.30
Customer service representatives	15.86	15.92
Retail salespersons	12.19	12.08
Construction laborers	11.71	16.43
Fast food cooks	8.66	9.00

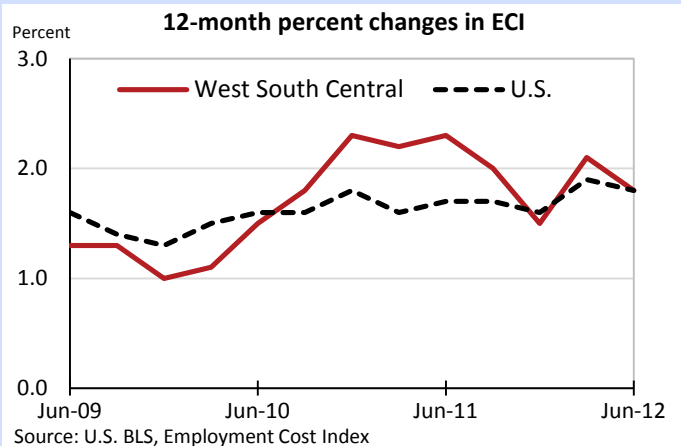
Source: U.S. BLS, Occupational Employment Statistics, May 2011

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

Private industry, June 2012	West South Central (1)	United States
Total compensation	\$26.45	\$28.80
Wages and salaries	18.78	20.27
Total benefits	7.67	8.52
Paid leave	1.71	1.97
Vacation	0.86	1.02
Supplemental pay	1.04	0.82
Insurance	1.96	2.34
Retirement and savings	0.90	1.02
Legally required benefits	2.06	2.37

(1) West South Central includes AR, LA, OK, and TX.
Source: U.S. BLS, Employer Costs for Employee Compensation

Over-the-year changes in wages and salaries



Source: U.S. BLS, Employment Cost Index