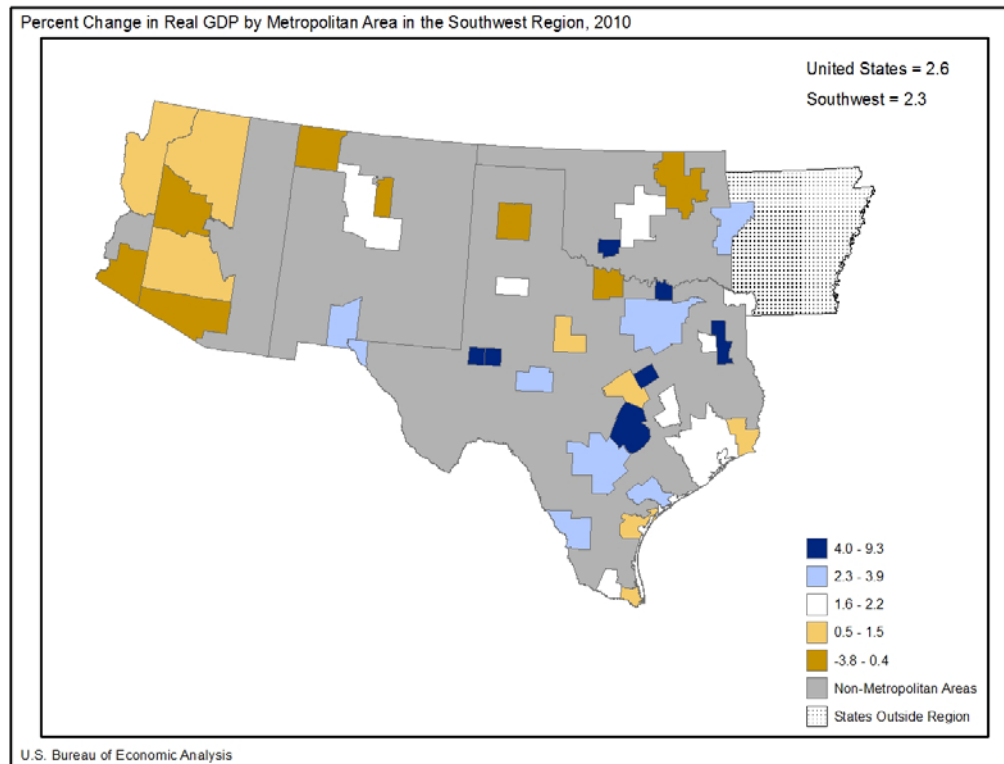


SOUTHWEST GROWTH SLOWER THAN THE U.S. IN 2010

Advance Statistics of GDP by Metropolitan Area



- Real GDP expanded in 31 of the 37 MSAs wholly contained in this region. Durable-goods manufacturing contributed the most to growth in real GDP for the region. This region accounts for 12.0 percent of the nation's current-dollar GDP in durable-goods manufacturing. By contrast, construction restrained growth in the region's GDP.
- Odessa, TX and Victoria, TX experienced the largest upturn in real GDP growth due to growth in mining. Odessa, TX growth improved from -4.9 percent in 2009 to 6.8 percent in 2010 (11.7 percentage points), while Victoria, TX growth improved from -7.6 percent in 2009 to 3.9 percent in 2010 (11.5 percentage points).
- Growth in real GDP ranged from -3.8 percent to 9.3 percent with the fastest growth occurring Midland, TX and Austin-Round Rock-San Marcos, TX. Growth in each of these metropolitan areas was spurred by mining and durable-goods manufacturing, respectively.
- Houston-Sugar Land-Baytown, TX and Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington, TX—the two largest metropolitan areas in the region, and the 5th and 6th largest in the nation—experienced growth (1.6 percent and 2.5 percent, respectively), due to growth in wholesale trade and in durable-goods manufacturing, respectively.

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