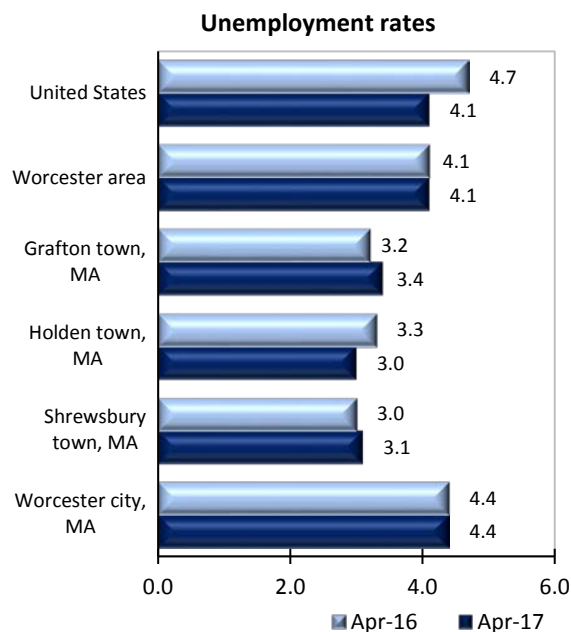


Worcester, MA-CT, Area Economic Summary

Updated May 31, 2017

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.

Unemployment rates for the Worcester area, selected area cities, towns, and the nation

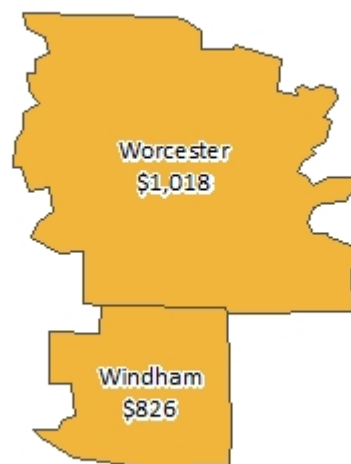


Source: U.S. BLS, Local Area Unemployment Statistics.

Average weekly wages for all industries by county

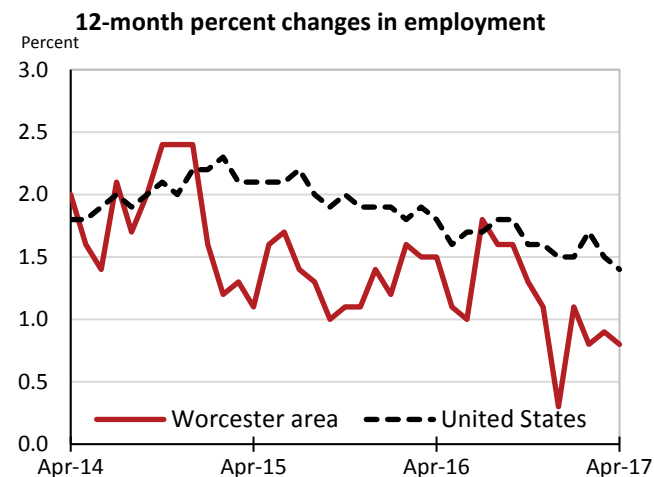
Worcester area, 3rd quarter 2016

(U.S. = \$1,027; Area = \$999)



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

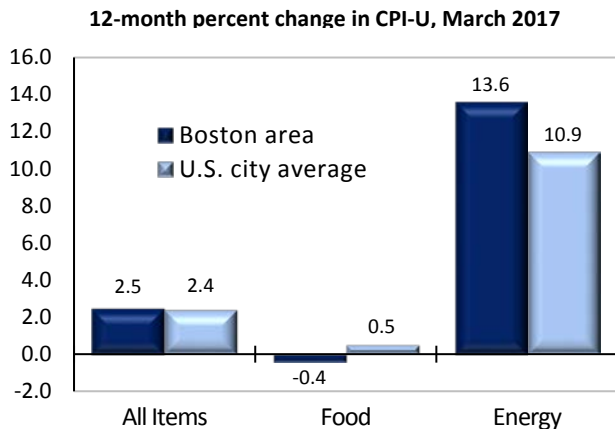


Source: U.S. BLS, Current Employment Statistics.

Worcester area employment (numbers in thousands)	Apr. 2017	Change from Apr. 2016 to Apr. 2017	
		Number	Percent
Total nonfarm	285.4	2.3	0.8
Mining, logging, and construction	10.6	0.5	5.0
Manufacturing	27.9	0.1	0.4
Trade, transportation, and utilities	52.9	0.1	0.2
Information	3.8	-0.1	-2.6
Financial activities	15.1	-0.1	-0.7
Professional and business services	26.0	-0.9	-3.3
Education and health services	68.1	1.4	2.1
Leisure and hospitality	24.9	0.4	1.6
Other services	11.0	0.2	1.9
Government	45.1	0.7	1.6

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

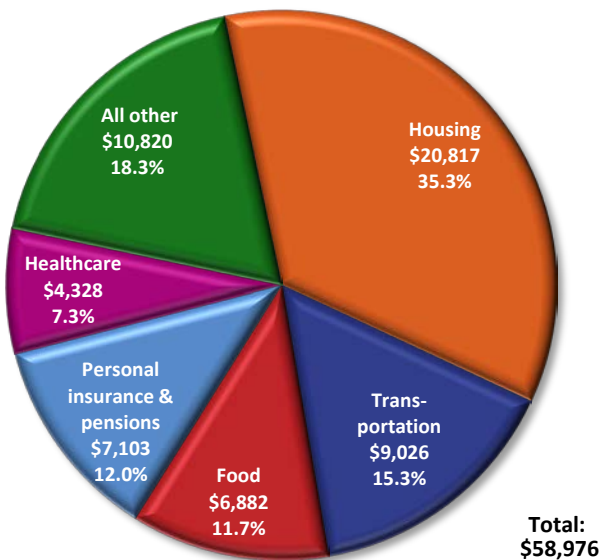
Over-the-year change in the prices paid by urban consumers for selected categories



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

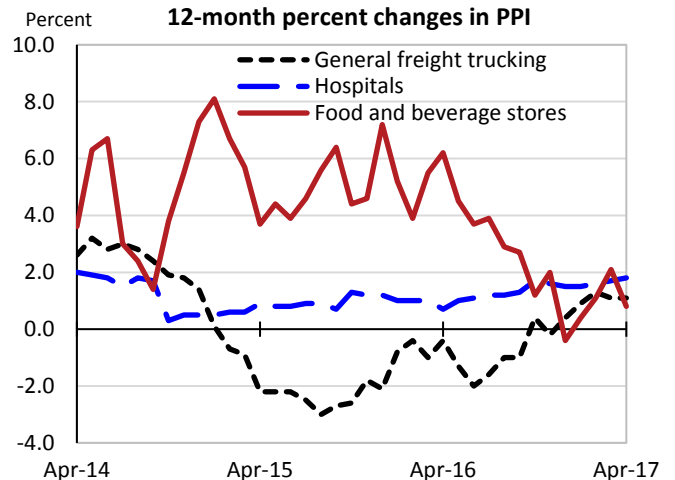
Average annual spending and percent distribution for selected categories

Northeast Region average annual expenditures 2015



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	Worcester area	United States
Total, all occupations	\$25.08	\$23.86
General and operations managers	58.08	58.70
Registered nurses	38.94	34.70
Accountants and auditors	37.32	36.89
Police and sheriff's patrol officers	28.38	30.17
Construction laborers	22.27	18.22
Office clerks, general	16.85	15.87
Team assemblers	16.75	15.65
Nursing assistants	14.48	13.29
Personal care aides	14.02	10.92
Retail salespersons	12.96	13.07
Waiters and waitresses	12.95	11.73
Cooks, fast food	12.00	9.89

Source: U.S. BLS, Occupational Employment Statistics, May 2016.

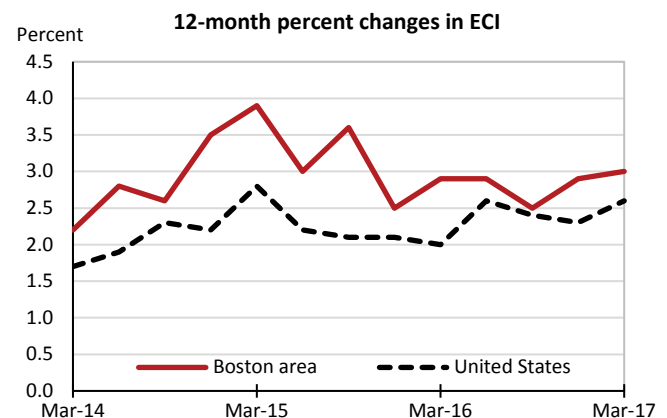
Employer costs per hour worked for wages and selected employee benefits by geographic division

Private industry, December 2016	New England (1)	United States
Total compensation	\$39.27	\$32.76
Wages and salaries	27.61	22.83
Total benefits	11.66	9.93
Paid leave	2.90	2.28
Vacation	1.51	1.17
Supplemental pay	1.10	1.15
Insurance	3.23	2.63
Retirement and savings	1.54	1.31
Legally required benefits	2.89	2.56

(1) New England includes CT, MA, ME, NH, RI, and VT.

Source: U.S. BLS, Employer Costs for Employee Compensation.

Over-the-year changes in wages and salaries



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