

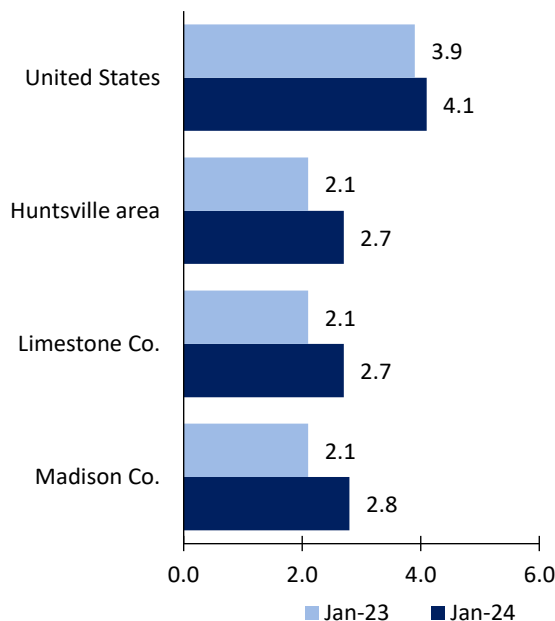
Huntsville, AL, Area Economic Summary

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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.

Unemployment rates for the nation and selected areas

Unemployment rates



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

Average weekly wages for all industries by county

Huntsville area, third quarter 2023

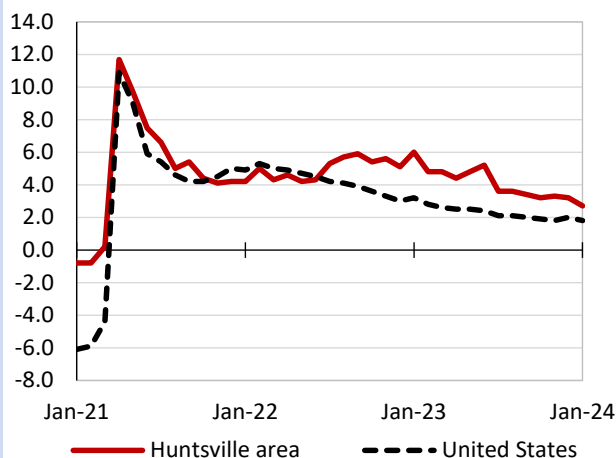
(U.S. = \$1,334; Area = \$1,374)



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

12-month percent changes in employment



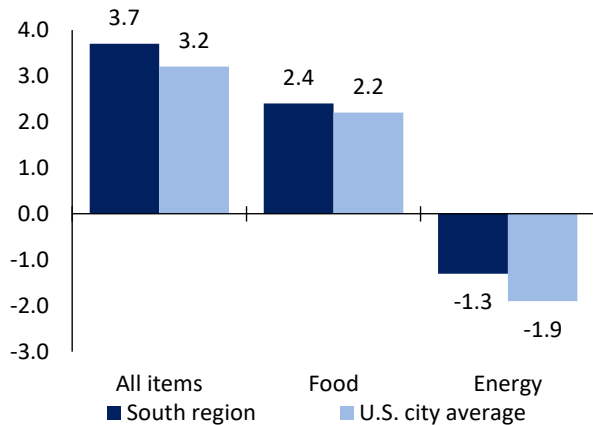
Source: U.S. BLS, Current Employment Statistics.

Huntsville area employment (number in thousands)	Jan. 2024	Change from Jan. 2023 to Jan. 2024	
		Number	Percent
Total nonfarm	278.6	7.3	2.7
Mining, logging, and construction	10.2	0.1	1.0
Manufacturing	35.6	1.6	4.7
Trade, transportation, and utilities	39.5	-1.1	-2.7
Information	2.7	0.1	3.8
Financial activities	8.9	0.4	4.7
Professional and business services	68.6	2.3	3.5
Education and health services	24.1	0.6	2.6
Leisure and hospitality	22.7	0.7	3.2
Other services	9.3	0.3	3.3
Government	57.0	2.3	4.2

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

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

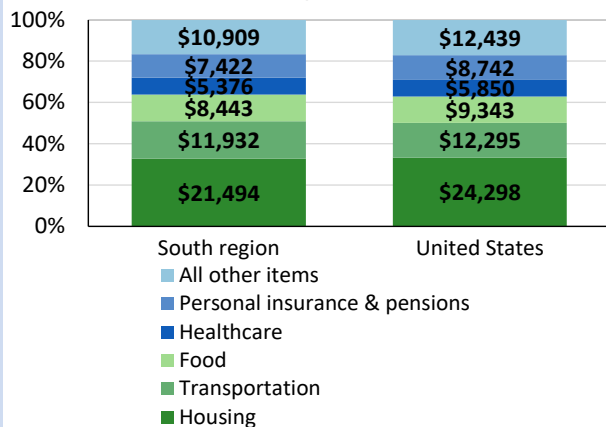
12-month percent change in CPI-U, February 2024



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

Average annual spending and percent distribution for selected categories

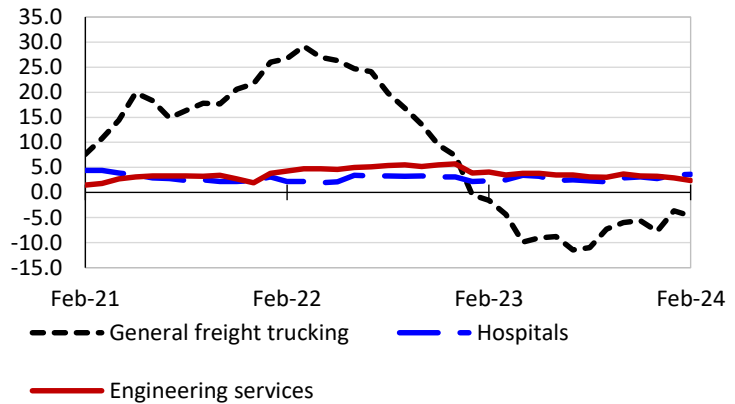
Average annual expenditures, United States and South region, 2022



Source: U.S. BLS, Consumer Expenditure Survey.

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

12-month percent changes in PPI



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

Average hourly wages for selected occupations

Occupation	Huntsville area	United States
All occupations	\$30.67	\$29.76
Computer hardware engineers	61.59	67.71
Aerospace engineers	60.73	61.10
Software developers	57.76	63.91
Logisticians	48.69	39.05
Accountants and auditors	38.65	41.70
Registered nurses	31.99	42.80

Source: U.S. BLS, Occupational Employment and Wage Statistics, May 2022.

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

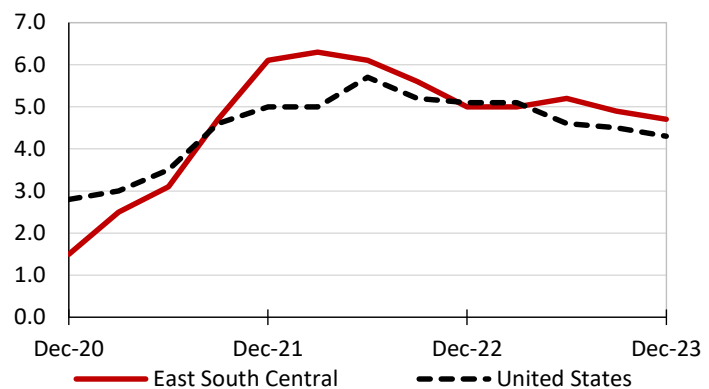
Private industry, December 2023	East South Central (1)	United States
Total compensation	\$31.82	\$43.11
Wages and salaries	22.92	30.33
Total benefits	8.89	12.77
Paid leave	2.06	3.26
Vacation	1.03	1.67
Supplemental pay	1.26	1.71
Insurance	2.46	3.14
Retirement and savings	0.81	1.50
Legally required benefits	2.32	3.17

(1) The states that compose the East South Central census division are: AL, KY, MS, and TN.

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

Over-the-year changes in wages and salaries

12-month percent changes in ECI



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