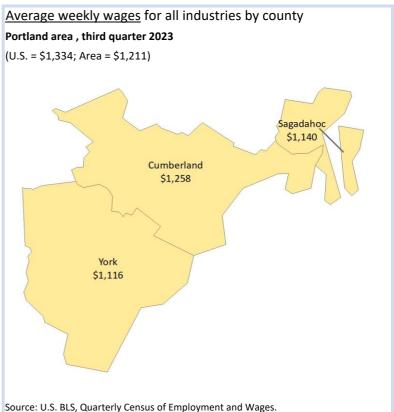
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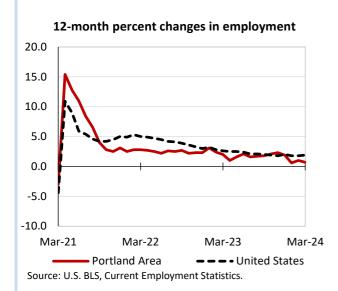
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This summary presents a sampling of economic information for the area; supplemental data are provided for regions and the nation. Subjects include unemployment, employment, wages, prices, spending, and benefits. All data are not seasonally adjusted 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.





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

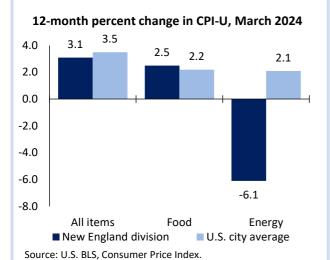


Portland Area employment (number in thousands)	Change from Mar. 2023 to Mar. 2024		
		Number	Percent
Total nonfarm	211.8	1.5	0.7
Mining, logging, and construction	10.3	-0.2	-1.9
Manufacturing	14.9	-0.4	-2.6
Trade, transportation, and utilities	36.6	-0.5	-1.3
Information	3.3	0.0	0.0
Financial activities	15.8	-0.2	-1.3
Professional and business services	31.0	-0.2	-0.6
Education and health services	48.1	3.0	6.7
Leisure and hospitality	19.5	-1.4	-6.7
Other services	7.4	-0.1	-1.3
Government	24.9	1.5	6.4

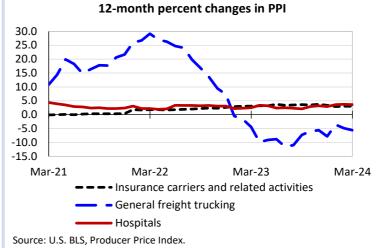
Source: U.S. BLS, Current Employment Statistics.



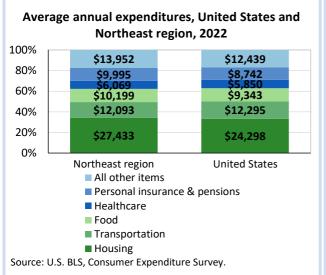
Over-the-year change in the <u>prices paid by urban</u> consumers for selected categories



Over-the-year changes in the selling <u>prices received by</u> producers for selected industries nationwide



<u>Average annual spending</u> and percent distribution for selected categories



Average hourly wages for selected occupations

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Occupation	Portland area	United States		
All occupations	\$30.80	\$31.48		
General and operations managers	55.75	62.18		
Waiters and waitresses	23.53	17.56		
Office clerks, general	21.49	20.94		
Nursing assistants	21.11	19.04		
Maids and housekeeping cleaners	17.89	16.66		
Cashiers	16.41	14.77		
Source: U.S. BLS, Occupational Employment and Wage Statistics, May 2023.				

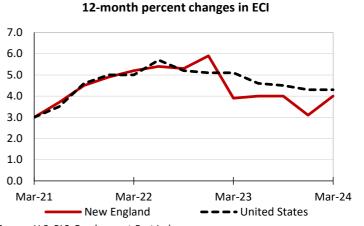
<u>Employer costs</u> per hour worked for wages and selected employee benefits by geographic division

Private industry, December 2023	New England (1)	United States
Total compensation	\$51.73	\$43.11
Wages and salaries	35.15	30.33
Total benefits	16.58	12.77
Paid leave	4.24	3.26
Vacation	2.18	1.67
Supplemental pay	2.71	1.71
Insurance	4.04	3.14
Retirement and savings	1.96	1.50
Legally required benefits	3.64	3.17

(1) The states that compose the New England census division are: CT, ME, MA, 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.

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