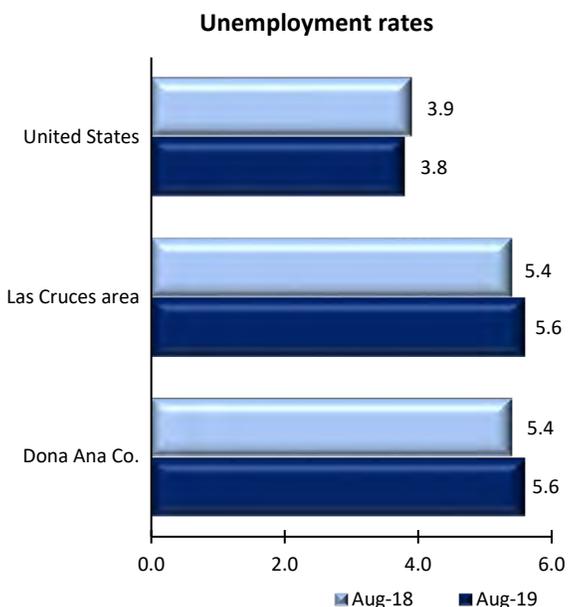


Las Cruces Area Economic Summary

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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.

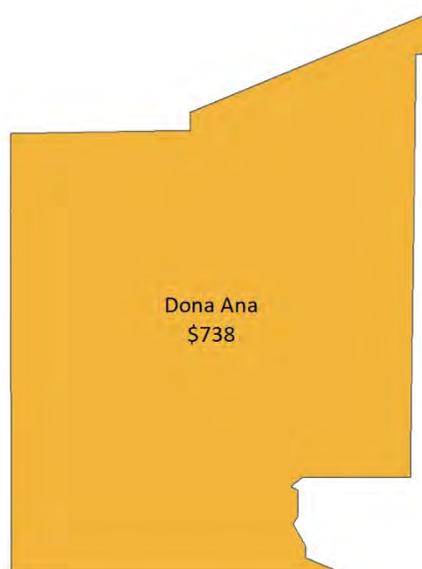
Unemployment rates for the Las Cruces area, selected area counties, and the nation



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

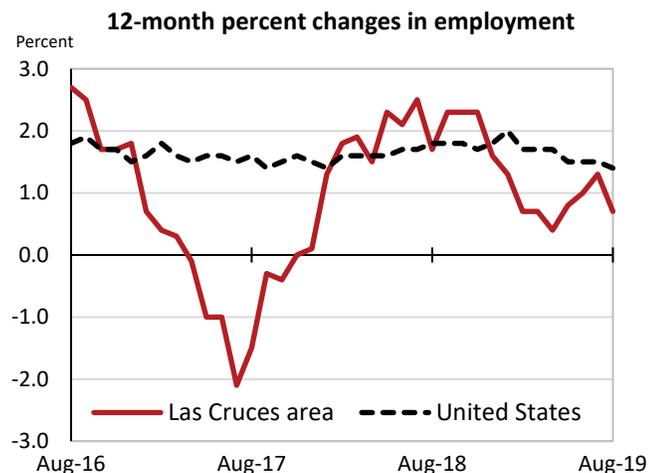
Average weekly wages for all industries by county

Las Cruces area, 1st quarter 2019
(U.S. = \$1,184; Area = \$738)



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

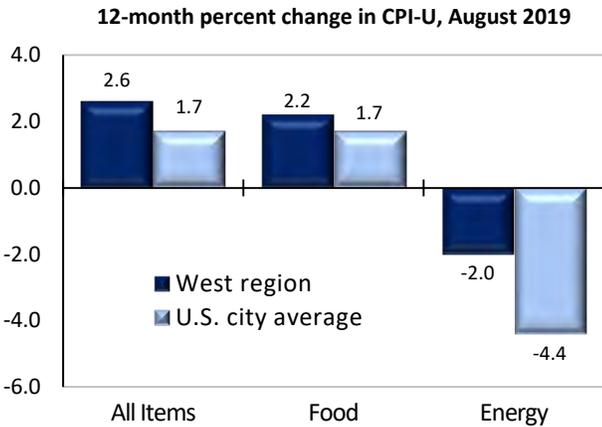


Source: U.S. BLS, Current Employment Statistics.

Las Cruces area employment (numbers in thousands)	Aug. 2019	Change from Aug. 2018 to Aug. 2019	
		Number	Percent
Total nonfarm	72.9	0.5	0.7
Mining, logging, and construction	3.8	0.1	2.7
Manufacturing	2.5	0.1	4.2
Trade, transportation, and utilities	10.5	-0.3	-2.8
Information	0.7	0.0	0.0
Financial activities	2.6	0.0	0.0
Professional and business services	8.1	-0.2	-2.4
Education and health services	16.5	0.6	3.8
Leisure and hospitality	8.4	0.2	2.4
Other services	1.5	0.0	0.0
Government	18.3	0.0	0.0

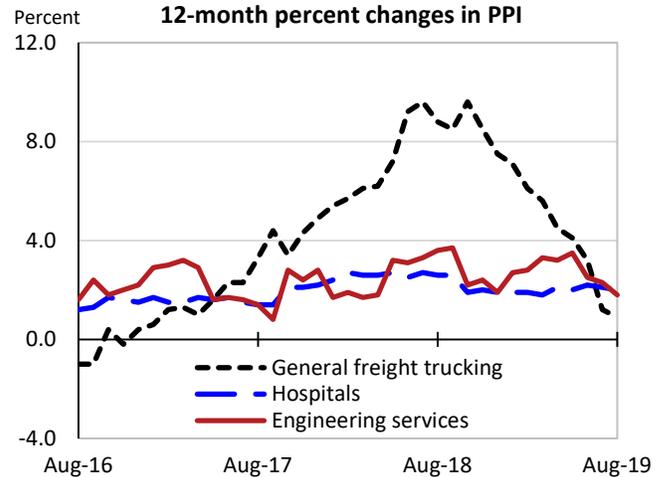
Source: U.S. BLS, Current Employment Statistics.

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



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

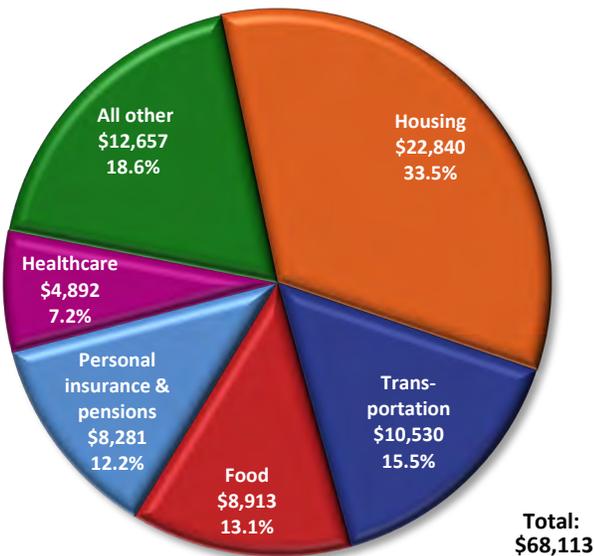
Over-the-year changes in the selling prices received by producers for selected industries nationwide



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

Average annual spending and percent distribution for selected categories

West Region average annual expenditures 2018



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

Average hourly wages for selected occupations

Occupation	Las Cruces area	United States
Total, all occupations	\$20.13	\$24.98
Electronics engineers, except computer	45.92	51.89
General and operations managers	43.18	59.56
Registered nurses	31.64	36.30
Dental hygienists	31.42	36.30
Accountants and auditors	30.48	37.89
Human resources specialists	25.54	32.11
Construction laborers	15.16	19.40
Retail salespersons	12.52	13.61
Customer service representatives	11.99	17.53
Cooks, fast food	11.78	10.89
Office clerks, general	11.15	16.92
Personal care aides	9.85	12.06

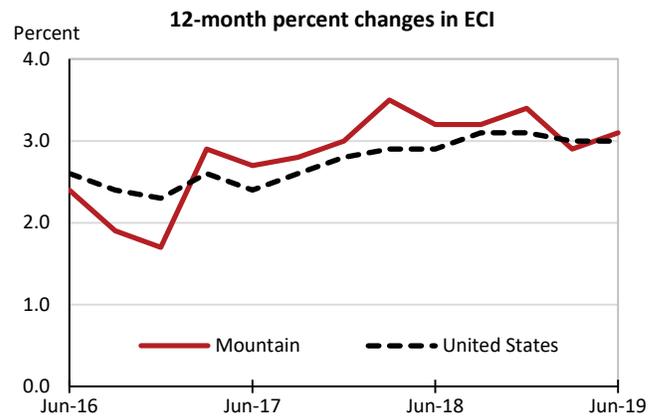
Source: U.S. BLS, Occupational Employment Statistics, May 2018.

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

Private industry, June 2019	Mountain (1)	United States
Total compensation	\$33.47	\$34.44
Wages and salaries	23.85	24.14
Total benefits	9.63	10.30
Paid leave	2.35	2.47
Vacation	1.19	1.27
Supplemental pay	0.96	1.11
Insurance	2.51	2.76
Retirement and savings	1.30	1.31
Legally required benefits	2.52	2.66

(1) Mountain includes AZ, CO, ID, MT, NM, NV, UT, and WY.
Source: U.S. BLS, Employer Costs for Employee Compensation.

Over-the-year changes in wages and salaries



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

