

Job Growth in U.S. Metros

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Much of the current talk on the recession and expected future job growth is built on the assumption that the economy moves in lock-step as a nation. In truth, there are hundreds of regional economies; each driven by their own unique strengths and characteristics. This brief white paper shows that even in the midst of a deep global recession, a wide range of regional economic experiences is occurring across the nation. As of June 2009, 14 metros have experienced 5-6 months of year-over-year job growth during the first-half of the year.¹ Another 14 metros have had 3-4 months of year-over-year job growth over the same period.

U.S. Metros that Continue to Grow During Current Recessionary Times

Year-Over-Year Employment Growth in 2009

Metropolitan Area	Number of Months with Job Growth
Ames, IA	5
Baton Rouge, LA	6
Bismarck, ND	6
Champaign-Urbana, IL	6
Fargo, ND-MN	5
Jacksonville, NC	6
Jonesboro, AR	6
Kennewick-Pasco-Richland, WA	6
Killeen-Temple-Fort Hood, TX	6
Midland, TX	5
Morgantown, WV	5
Odessa, TX	6
Sandusky, OH	6
Tyler, TX	5

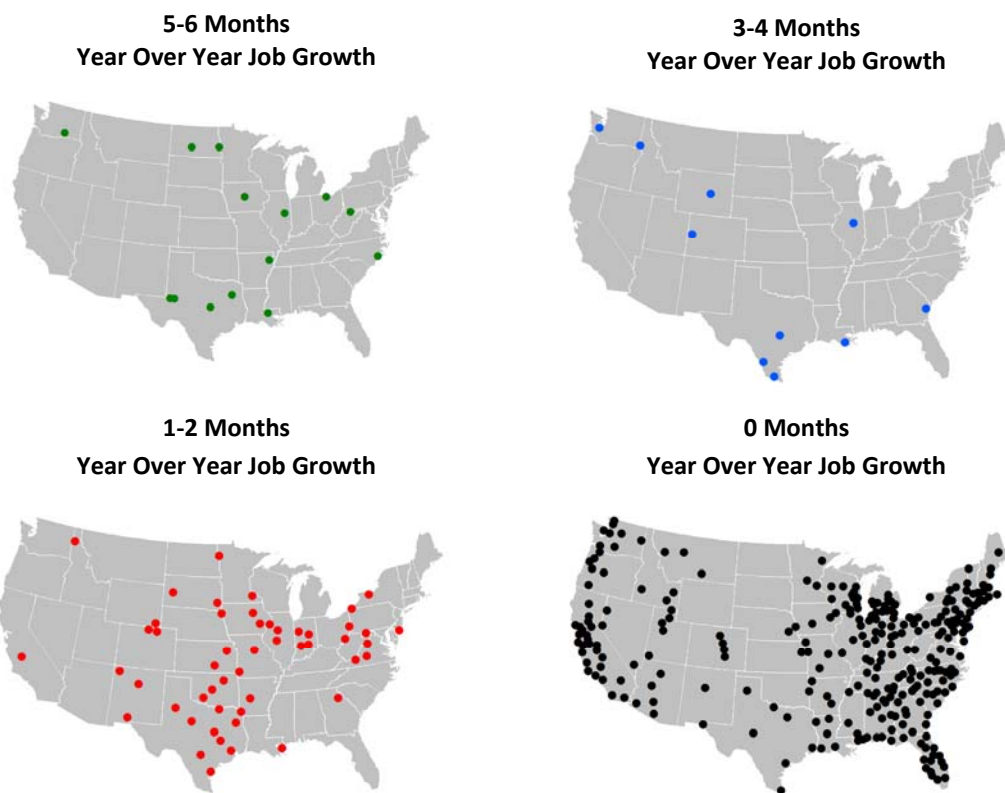
Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

¹ We measure nonfarm employment growth relative to the same month one-year earlier to avoid seasonal variations. The data is published by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

While not absolute, the current geographic pattern of job growth favors economies in the central portions of the nation, especially those benefiting from energy production and government activity. Conversely, few eastern or western coastal economies have added jobs over the first six months of the year. This analysis may also help identify where new growth will emerge as the recession ends.

Not all U.S. Metropolitan Economies are Experiencing the Same Trends During Current Recessionary Times

Year-Over-Year Job Growth: January to June 2009



Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

All U.S. Metropolitan Areas Employment One-Year Change by Percent January-June 2009

Metropolitan Area	Percent Change From One Year Earlier						Number of Months with Job Growth
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	
Abilene, TX	1.8%	0.4%	0.0%	-0.9%	-1.9%	-2.2%	2
Aguadilla-Isabela-San Sebastian, PR	-2.1%	-3.3%	-5.2%	-6.1%	-6.7%	-6.7%	0
Akron, OH	-3.5%	-3.6%	-3.3%	-3.0%	-2.0%	-2.9%	0
Albany, GA	-1.9%	-3.2%	-3.7%	-3.3%	-3.0%	-3.4%	0
Albany-Schenectady-Troy, NY	-1.3%	-1.4%	-1.5%	-2.2%	-2.3%	-2.6%	0
Albuquerque, NM	-0.9%	-1.8%	-2.5%	-3.0%	-3.0%	-3.3%	0
Alexandria, LA	-0.6%	-0.3%	-1.2%	0.0%	-0.9%	-0.4%	0
Allentown-Bethlehem-Easton, PA-NJ	-1.4%	-2.0%	-2.3%	-2.6%	-2.9%	-3.2%	0
Altoona, PA	-2.3%	-2.8%	-3.1%	-3.4%	-3.5%	-3.3%	0
Amarillo, TX	-0.3%	-0.3%	-0.5%	-1.8%	-1.2%	-1.8%	0
Ames, IA	1.7%	1.4%	0.6%	0.6%	-1.4%	0.9%	5
Anchorage, AK	2.5%	1.4%	0.8%	0.2%	-0.6%	-0.3%	4
Anderson, IN	1.8%	0.2%	-0.5%	-1.9%	-2.6%	-2.6%	2
Anderson, SC	-6.7%	-5.8%	-3.9%	-3.0%	-3.4%	-3.9%	0
Ann Arbor, MI	-3.1%	-4.1%	-4.1%	-3.4%	-4.0%	-4.6%	0
Anniston-Oxford, AL	-2.7%	-1.9%	-2.6%	-3.9%	-5.0%	-5.4%	0
Appleton, WI	-2.0%	-2.3%	-2.8%	-3.2%	-3.4%	-3.1%	0
Asheville, NC	-3.5%	-4.6%	-5.0%	-4.6%	-4.5%	-4.5%	0
Athens-Clarke County, GA	0.6%	-0.5%	-2.0%	-0.9%	-1.9%	-0.4%	1
Atlanta-Sandy Springs-Marietta, GA	-3.7%	-4.6%	-5.0%	-5.2%	-5.6%	-5.5%	0
Atlantic City-Hammonton, NJ	-2.0%	-3.7%	-4.6%	-5.5%	-5.7%	-6.0%	0
Auburn-Opelika, AL	-0.9%	-2.0%	-1.6%	-2.2%	-1.8%	-4.6%	0
Augusta-Richmond County, GA-SC	-1.3%	-1.5%	-1.7%	-2.4%	-2.8%	-2.6%	0
Austin-Round Rock, TX	0.4%	0.0%	0.3%	0.1%	-0.1%	-0.2%	4
Bakersfield, CA	-0.6%	-1.1%	-1.1%	-1.8%	-2.2%	-2.3%	0
Baltimore-Towson, MD	-2.1%	-2.4%	-2.6%	-2.8%	-2.7%	-2.4%	0
Bangor, ME NECTA	-0.5%	-2.6%	-1.7%	-2.5%	-2.4%	-2.6%	0
Barnstable Town, MA NECTA	-2.0%	-2.2%	-2.7%	-3.1%	-5.0%	-4.8%	0
Baton Rouge, LA	0.5%	0.2%	0.5%	0.2%	0.2%	0.1%	6
Battle Creek, MI	-4.9%	-5.5%	-5.7%	-5.8%	-6.6%	-6.9%	0
Bay City, MI	-2.4%	-2.7%	-2.7%	-4.5%	-4.7%	-5.2%	0
Beaumont-Port Arthur, TX	-0.4%	-2.2%	-2.5%	-2.5%	-3.4%	-4.2%	0
Bellingham, WA	-2.4%	-2.2%	-2.5%	-3.6%	-3.2%	-2.7%	0
Bend, OR	-4.0%	-4.1%	-4.1%	-4.2%	-4.1%	-3.9%	0
Billings, MT	-2.3%	-4.1%	-4.5%	-2.3%	-3.6%	-2.5%	0
Binghamton, NY	-1.1%	-1.3%	-1.8%	-2.3%	-2.6%	-2.7%	0
Birmingham-Hoover, AL	-2.6%	-3.0%	-3.1%	-3.4%	-3.8%	-3.6%	0
Bismarck, ND	0.7%	0.8%	1.2%	1.5%	1.1%	0.5%	6
Blacksburg-Christiansburg-Radford, VA	-1.0%	2.0%	1.4%	-2.0%	-0.7%	-1.5%	2
Bloomington, IN	-0.2%	-0.7%	-1.0%	-1.6%	0.8%	-3.0%	1
Bloomington-Normal, IL	0.6%	0.4%	0.4%	0.2%	-0.5%	-0.8%	4
Boise City-Nampa, ID	-5.1%	-6.0%	-6.8%	-7.1%	-7.6%	-7.3%	0
Boston-Cambridge-Quincy, MA-NH NECTA	-2.1%	-2.3%	-2.6%	-2.9%	-2.8%	-2.7%	0
Boulder, CO	-1.4%	-2.4%	-3.0%	-3.9%	-4.2%	-4.6%	0
Bowling Green, KY	-3.1%	-3.6%	-4.0%	-5.0%	-5.3%	-5.6%	0
Bradenton-Sarasota-Venice, FL	-6.4%	-7.7%	-7.8%	-6.6%	-6.7%	-6.7%	0
Bremerton-Silverdale, WA	-3.9%	-4.5%	-5.5%	-5.1%	-4.9%	-5.3%	0
Bridgeport-Stamford-Norwalk, CT NECTA	-2.5%	-3.0%	-3.2%	-3.4%	-3.3%	-3.3%	0
Brownsville-Harlingen, TX	-2.1%	-2.1%	-2.1%	-2.7%	-2.0%	-1.7%	0

Metropolitan Area	Percent Change From One Year Earlier						Number of Months with Job Growth
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	
Brunswick, GA	-3.3%	-1.5%	-2.0%	-2.6%	-2.6%	-3.0%	0
Buffalo-Niagara Falls, NY	-1.7%	-2.2%	-2.1%	-2.4%	-2.1%	-2.3%	0
Burlington, NC	-3.3%	-4.1%	-5.1%	-4.6%	-5.0%	-4.3%	0
Burlington-South Burlington, VT NECTA	-3.8%	-4.6%	-4.3%	-4.3%	-4.3%	-4.0%	0
Canton-Massillon, OH	-2.8%	-2.9%	-2.5%	-3.2%	-3.5%	-3.2%	0
Cape Coral-Fort Myers, FL	-8.7%	-9.3%	-10.0%	-8.8%	-8.4%	-8.2%	0
Carson City, NV	-4.5%	-4.1%	-4.7%	-4.1%	-5.3%	-5.6%	0
Casper, WY	2.8%	1.3%	0.3%	-0.7%	-2.0%	-1.4%	3
Cedar Rapids, IA	-0.7%	-0.7%	-0.9%	-1.1%	-1.5%	-1.2%	0
Champaign-Urbana, IL	4.3%	1.9%	1.9%	1.2%	0.9%	1.3%	6
Charleston, WV	-0.1%	-0.6%	-1.0%	-1.0%	-0.9%	-1.2%	0
Charleston-North Charleston-Summerville, SC	-1.7%	-2.4%	-2.7%	-3.1%	-2.9%	-3.3%	0
Charlotte-Gastonia-Concord, NC-SC	-3.8%	-5.3%	-6.3%	-5.9%	-5.8%	-6.2%	0
Charlottesville, VA	-1.8%	-2.3%	-2.3%	-2.4%	-2.7%	-2.7%	0
Chattanooga, TN-GA	-1.6%	-2.3%	-2.4%	-2.4%	-3.3%	-3.3%	0
Cheyenne, WY	0.9%	0.7%	-0.2%	-0.9%	-1.5%	-1.1%	2
Chicago-Naperville-Joliet, IL-IN-WI	-2.6%	-3.1%	-3.5%	-4.2%	-4.5%	-4.5%	0
Chico, CA	-2.0%	-3.3%	-3.1%	-4.1%	-4.1%	-5.0%	0
Cincinnati-Middletown, OH-KY-IN	-2.4%	-2.9%	-2.6%	-3.4%	-4.1%	-4.2%	0
Clarksville, TN-KY	-3.6%	-4.1%	-4.3%	-3.3%	-3.7%	-3.1%	0
Cleveland, TN	-2.3%	-3.9%	-4.6%	-4.9%	-4.4%	-3.5%	0
Cleveland-Elyria-Mentor, OH	-4.2%	-3.9%	-3.8%	-4.7%	-5.2%	-5.9%	0
Coeur d'Alene, ID	0.6%	0.9%	-0.2%	-0.9%	-2.9%	-2.6%	2
College Station-Bryan, TX	2.8%	-1.2%	-1.5%	-2.3%	-1.9%	-1.8%	1
Colorado Springs, CO	-2.5%	-3.0%	-3.6%	-3.4%	-3.9%	-3.8%	0
Columbia, MO	2.2%	0.4%	-0.3%	-0.8%	-1.1%	-0.9%	2
Columbia, SC	-2.1%	-2.0%	-1.2%	-1.8%	-1.8%	-2.1%	0
Columbus, GA-AL	-1.0%	-2.4%	-0.9%	-1.7%	-2.0%	-2.0%	0
Columbus, IN	0.9%	-0.7%	-1.5%	-2.4%	-2.1%	-1.7%	1
Columbus, OH	-2.0%	-2.0%	-1.5%	-2.1%	-2.0%	-1.7%	0
Corpus Christi, TX	1.1%	-0.3%	-1.4%	-1.8%	-2.3%	-2.1%	1
Corvallis, OR	-1.6%	-2.1%	-2.8%	-3.6%	-4.8%	-5.3%	0
Cumberland, MD-WV	0.8%	0.3%	0.0%	-0.5%	0.0%	-2.2%	2
Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington, TX	-0.2%	-1.1%	-1.3%	-1.7%	-2.0%	-1.9%	0
Dalton, GA	-7.6%	-7.8%	-8.6%	-9.6%	-8.5%	-8.7%	0
Danbury, CT NECTA	-3.7%	-4.5%	-4.2%	-4.9%	-3.7%	-4.2%	0
Danville, IL	-1.3%	-1.0%	-1.6%	-2.6%	-2.6%	-2.9%	0
Danville, VA	-4.9%	-1.0%	-1.5%	-1.0%	-1.2%	-2.4%	0
Davenport-Moline-Rock Island, IA-IL	0.1%	0.0%	-0.5%	-0.7%	-1.4%	-1.2%	1
Dayton, OH	-3.7%	-3.9%	-3.2%	-3.5%	-3.4%	-3.5%	0
Decatur, AL	-4.1%	-4.3%	-5.1%	-5.3%	-5.1%	-5.5%	0
Decatur, IL	-0.6%	-1.3%	-2.0%	-2.6%	-3.4%	-3.9%	0
Deltona-Daytona Beach-Ormond Beach, FL	-5.0%	-5.5%	-4.9%	-3.6%	-3.6%	-3.5%	0
Denver-Aurora-Broomfield, CO	-2.2%	-3.4%	-3.8%	-4.1%	-4.1%	-4.3%	0
Des Moines-West Des Moines, IA	-1.1%	-1.0%	-1.2%	-1.4%	-1.5%	-1.6%	0
Detroit-Warren-Livonia, MI	-7.5%	-7.3%	-7.2%	-7.4%	-8.2%	-9.0%	0
Dothan, AL	-1.9%	-2.7%	-3.2%	-2.9%	-2.6%	-1.5%	0
Dover, DE	-4.4%	-4.9%	-5.5%	-4.5%	-3.2%	-3.8%	0
Dubuque, IA	-1.3%	-1.8%	-3.1%	-2.9%	-4.2%	-3.4%	0
Duluth, MN-WI	-1.7%	-2.3%	-2.5%	-2.5%	-3.6%	-4.2%	0
Durham-Chapel Hill, NC	-0.5%	-0.7%	-1.8%	-1.4%	-2.4%	-3.2%	0
Eau Claire, WI	-2.0%	-2.4%	-2.3%	-2.9%	-2.4%	-3.0%	0
El Centro, CA	-3.2%	-4.3%	-5.1%	-4.7%	-3.8%	-1.9%	0
El Paso, TX	-0.7%	-1.0%	-0.8%	-0.9%	-1.2%	-1.6%	0
Elizabethtown, KY	-2.7%	-3.5%	-4.1%	-4.3%	-2.9%	-2.9%	0
Elkhart-Goshen, IN	-12.4%	-13.0%	-13.7%	-13.3%	-13.2%	-12.3%	0
Elmira, NY	-1.5%	-1.2%	-1.7%	-2.4%	-2.2%	-2.6%	0
Erie, PA	0.2%	-1.4%	-1.7%	-3.1%	-4.4%	-4.5%	1
Eugene-Springfield, OR	-4.8%	-5.3%	-6.0%	-5.2%	-5.2%	-5.5%	0

Metropolitan Area	Percent Change From One Year Earlier						Number of Months with Job Growth
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	
Evansville, IN-KY	-2.5%	-2.9%	-3.2%	-3.4%	-3.3%	-2.9%	0
Fairbanks, AK	-0.6%	-1.1%	0.8%	0.0%	-1.5%	-1.2%	1
Fajardo, PR	2.4%	2.4%	1.2%	0.6%	-1.2%	-2.9%	4
Fargo, ND-MN	0.8%	0.0%	0.4%	0.7%	0.9%	0.9%	5
Farmington, NM	0.4%	-0.4%	-1.5%	-1.5%	-1.1%	-1.5%	1
Fayetteville, NC	-1.5%	-1.9%	-1.8%	-2.3%	-2.1%	-1.2%	0
Fayetteville-Springdale-Rogers, AR-MO	-0.7%	-1.3%	-1.1%	-0.8%	-1.1%	-0.5%	0
Flagstaff, AZ	-0.5%	-2.8%	-5.1%	-5.2%	-8.1%	-9.4%	0
Flint, MI	-6.1%	-6.6%	-4.3%	-4.0%	-4.7%	-8.4%	0
Florence, SC	-1.9%	-1.7%	-1.9%	-1.4%	-1.2%	-1.4%	0
Florence-Muscle Shoals, AL	-1.6%	-1.2%	-1.6%	-0.9%	-2.0%	-2.8%	0
Fond du Lac, WI	-3.4%	-2.7%	-4.0%	-4.8%	-4.7%	-4.7%	0
Fort Collins-Loveland, CO	1.0%	-0.1%	-0.9%	-1.4%	-2.7%	-3.0%	1
Fort Smith, AR-OK	-1.3%	-1.8%	-1.6%	-1.2%	-1.6%	-1.4%	0
Fort Walton Beach-Crestview-Destin, FL	-1.2%	-2.1%	-3.2%	-2.2%	-2.8%	-3.8%	0
Fort Wayne, IN	-1.1%	-2.9%	-2.2%	-3.1%	-4.6%	-5.2%	0
Fresno, CA	-1.8%	-2.7%	-3.0%	-3.4%	-3.9%	-3.7%	0
Gadsden, AL	-1.3%	-1.6%	-1.3%	-1.6%	-2.3%	-2.6%	0
Gainesville, FL	-1.3%	-2.1%	-2.1%	-1.7%	-2.5%	-2.9%	0
Gainesville, GA	-2.4%	-3.2%	-3.3%	-5.1%	-4.6%	-3.9%	0
Glens Falls, NY	-1.0%	-1.3%	-0.6%	-2.4%	-4.1%	-4.1%	0
Goldsboro, NC	-3.5%	-4.2%	-5.3%	-3.3%	-3.9%	-3.3%	0
Grand Forks, ND-MN	0.0%	-0.4%	-0.2%	-0.9%	0.2%	1.5%	2
Grand Junction, CO	3.0%	2.5%	2.3%	1.2%	-0.2%	-0.8%	4
Grand Rapids-Wyoming, MI	-4.9%	-5.2%	-5.3%	-5.2%	-5.6%	-5.5%	0
Great Falls, MT	-1.7%	-1.4%	-3.1%	-0.3%	-3.1%	-2.2%	0
Greeley, CO	0.7%	-0.2%	-1.6%	-2.2%	-3.3%	-3.5%	1
Green Bay, WI	-2.3%	-1.6%	-2.2%	-2.9%	-2.5%	-2.3%	0
Greensboro-High Point, NC	-5.4%	-6.0%	-6.6%	-6.2%	-6.4%	-5.9%	0
Greenville, NC	-3.6%	-3.8%	-3.9%	-2.6%	-2.3%	-2.7%	0
Greenville-Mauldin-Easley, SC	-2.4%	-2.3%	-2.7%	-2.8%	-3.5%	-3.2%	0
Guayama, PR	2.2%	-1.1%	-1.1%	-3.7%	-4.8%	-2.6%	1
Gulfport-Biloxi, MS	-2.3%	-2.6%	-2.8%	-2.3%	-2.5%	-3.0%	0
Hagerstown-Martinsburg, MD-WV	-2.5%	-2.8%	-2.8%	-2.6%	-2.9%	-2.5%	0
Hanford-Corcoran, CA	0.3%	0.3%	-1.9%	-1.6%	-3.2%	-3.7%	2
Harrisburg-Carlisle, PA	-1.1%	-1.9%	-2.5%	-3.1%	-3.4%	-3.4%	0
Harrisonburg, VA	-2.5%	-2.7%	-2.0%	-1.1%	0.3%	-0.5%	1
Hartford-West Hartford-East Hartford, CT NECTA	-2.1%	-1.9%	-2.5%	-2.5%	-2.7%	-3.8%	0
Hattiesburg, MS	-2.6%	-2.3%	-1.5%	-1.6%	-1.7%	0.0%	0
Hickory-Lenoir-Morganton, NC	-5.1%	-6.3%	-7.8%	-7.1%	-7.4%	-7.7%	0
Hinesville-Fort Stewart, GA	3.8%	3.3%	1.6%	-0.5%	-1.0%	-3.6%	3
Holland-Grand Haven, MI	-6.7%	-6.6%	-6.6%	-7.5%	-8.8%	-9.1%	0
Honolulu, HI	-1.7%	-2.3%	-2.5%	-1.6%	-2.4%	-2.5%	0
Hot Springs, AR	-1.8%	-1.5%	-1.3%	-1.3%	0.3%	1.0%	2
Houma-Bayou Cane-Thibodaux, LA	1.7%	1.9%	1.5%	1.3%	-0.2%	-1.0%	4
Houston-Sugar Land-Baytown, TX	0.7%	-0.4%	-0.7%	-1.8%	-2.4%	-2.7%	1
Huntington-Ashland, WV-KY-OH	-0.8%	-0.7%	-1.0%	-0.8%	-1.0%	-0.7%	0
Huntsville, AL	-1.1%	-1.8%	-2.3%	-2.6%	-2.4%	-1.8%	0
Idaho Falls, ID	-1.6%	-1.6%	-2.4%	-2.0%	-3.8%	-3.4%	0
Indianapolis-Carmel, IN	-2.4%	-2.8%	-2.9%	-3.3%	-4.2%	-3.6%	0
Iowa City, IA	0.2%	-0.2%	-0.4%	-1.8%	-2.3%	-2.1%	1
Ithaca, NY	-0.3%	-0.3%	-0.3%	-0.6%	-0.3%	-0.8%	0
Jackson, MI	-5.1%	-4.9%	-5.1%	-5.5%	-6.3%	-6.2%	0
Jackson, MS	-1.1%	-2.0%	-1.7%	-2.1%	-1.5%	-1.5%	0
Jackson, TN	-2.1%	-2.6%	-3.5%	-3.9%	-4.6%	-4.2%	0
Jacksonville, FL	-3.9%	-4.0%	-4.2%	-4.0%	-4.4%	-4.3%	0
Jacksonville, NC	1.7%	1.5%	1.9%	1.7%	0.4%	0.2%	6
Janesville, WI	-5.4%	-5.9%	-6.1%	-6.8%	-4.7%	-6.5%	0
Jefferson City, MO	-0.8%	-1.5%	-2.5%	-2.9%	-3.0%	-2.7%	0

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Johnson City, TN	-3.6%	-2.9%	-2.9%	-3.2%	-2.9%	-2.8%	0
Johnstown, PA	-2.3%	-2.6%	-3.1%	-2.9%	-3.0%	-2.9%	0
Jonesboro, AR	1.9%	1.2%	1.4%	2.0%	0.6%	0.6%	6
Joplin, MO	0.3%	-0.6%	-0.7%	-1.1%	-1.1%	-0.4%	1
Kalamazoo-Portage, MI	-3.8%	-3.9%	-4.0%	-4.2%	-4.6%	-4.8%	0
Kankakee-Bradley, IL	-1.4%	-2.1%	-4.0%	-3.4%	-4.0%	-3.6%	0
Kansas City, MO-KS Metropolitan Statistical Area	-0.9%	-1.0%	-1.3%	-2.3%	-1.8%	-2.1%	0
Kennewick-Pasco-Richland, WA	2.4%	1.2%	0.2%	0.5%	1.4%	0.9%	6
Killeen-Temple-Fort Hood, TX	2.7%	1.8%	1.8%	0.9%	0.9%	0.3%	6
Kingsport-Bristol-Bristol, TN-VA	-1.7%	-2.8%	-3.1%	-3.4%	-3.5%	-3.7%	0
Kingston, NY	-2.0%	-1.8%	-2.2%	-2.3%	-1.6%	-1.7%	0
Knoxville, TN	-2.5%	-3.1%	-3.4%	-3.7%	-3.7%	-3.9%	0
Kokomo, IN	-14.8%	-6.0%	-5.6%	-4.8%	-14.7%	-14.5%	0
La Crosse, WI-MN	-1.8%	-1.5%	-2.4%	-2.8%	-3.1%	-3.1%	0
Lafayette, IN	-0.3%	-0.4%	0.3%	-0.4%	-0.1%	-0.6%	1
Lafayette, LA	0.0%	-0.3%	-0.4%	-0.8%	-1.0%	-1.0%	0
Lake Charles, LA	-0.2%	-1.1%	-1.6%	-2.4%	-2.5%	-2.8%	0
Lake Havasu City-Kingman, AZ	-6.6%	-7.6%	-8.1%	-8.3%	-8.9%	-10.1%	0
Lakeland-Winter Haven, FL	-3.7%	-4.4%	-4.9%	-4.4%	-4.4%	-4.6%	0
Lancaster, PA	-1.9%	-2.3%	-3.3%	-3.6%	-4.4%	-4.6%	0
Lansing-East Lansing, MI	-3.7%	-2.7%	-3.6%	-4.0%	-3.3%	-4.2%	0
Laredo, TX	1.5%	0.6%	0.6%	0.3%	-0.6%	-1.1%	4
Las Cruces, NM	0.7%	0.1%	-0.6%	-1.4%	-2.7%	-2.9%	2
Las Vegas-Paradise, NV	-4.1%	-4.6%	-5.2%	-5.9%	-6.4%	-6.5%	0
Lawrence, KS	0.0%	-3.6%	-3.6%	-3.8%	-3.6%	-4.2%	0
Lawton, OK	0.5%	-0.9%	-1.1%	-0.5%	-0.7%	-2.1%	1
Lebanon, PA	-1.4%	-1.4%	-1.6%	-2.4%	-3.0%	-3.2%	0
Leominster-Fitchburg-Gardner, MA NECTA	-2.8%	-3.8%	-3.6%	-3.8%	-4.5%	-4.3%	0
Lewiston, ID-WA	-14.9%	-12.5%	-15.3%	4.5%	4.9%	4.4%	3
Lewiston-Auburn, ME NECTA	-2.9%	-3.1%	-3.7%	-3.7%	-3.2%	-3.8%	0
Lexington-Fayette, KY	-2.7%	-3.1%	-3.0%	-3.2%	-3.6%	-3.5%	0
Lima, OH	-2.9%	-1.7%	-1.7%	-2.7%	-2.0%	-2.0%	0
Lincoln, NE	-0.6%	-0.3%	-0.9%	-1.3%	-0.9%	-0.7%	0
Little Rock-North Little Rock-Conway, AR	-1.6%	-1.6%	-1.3%	-1.1%	-1.7%	-1.5%	0
Logan, UT-ID	-2.8%	-3.3%	-3.5%	-4.2%	-4.1%	-4.3%	0
Longview, TX	0.2%	-0.4%	-0.7%	-1.1%	-2.3%	-2.7%	1
Longview, WA	-4.0%	-4.0%	-6.4%	-5.6%	-5.0%	-4.7%	0
Los Angeles-Long Beach-Santa Ana, CA	-3.2%	-3.8%	-3.9%	-4.3%	-4.5%	-4.6%	0
Louisville-Jefferson County, KY-IN	-2.5%	-3.0%	-2.9%	-3.2%	-4.7%	-4.3%	0
Lubbock, TX	0.4%	-0.2%	0.0%	-0.5%	-0.6%	-0.2%	1
Lynchburg, VA	-0.4%	-0.6%	-0.3%	0.2%	-0.1%	-0.2%	1
Macon, GA	-0.3%	-2.9%	-3.0%	-4.3%	-4.8%	-4.6%	0
Madera-Chowchilla, CA	-1.1%	-1.7%	-0.3%	-0.3%	-1.1%	-1.1%	0
Madison, WI	-1.8%	-2.4%	-2.5%	-2.9%	-2.6%	-2.0%	0
Manchester, NH NECTA	-0.4%	-0.1%	-0.2%	-0.9%	-0.9%	-0.5%	0
Mansfield, OH	-2.8%	-3.4%	-2.5%	-4.0%	-5.9%	-6.7%	0
Mayaguez, PR	-2.2%	-3.7%	-4.0%	-5.9%	-6.1%	-6.1%	0
McAllen-Edinburg-Mission, TX	0.5%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%	4
Medford, OR	-3.7%	-3.7%	-3.7%	-4.7%	-3.8%	-3.9%	0
Memphis, TN-MS-AR	-2.4%	-2.0%	-2.1%	-2.3%	-2.3%	-2.0%	0
Merced, CA	-2.3%	-3.1%	-3.6%	-2.9%	-2.9%	-4.2%	0
Miami-Fort Lauderdale-Pompano Beach, FL	-3.3%	-4.1%	-4.8%	-4.1%	-4.2%	-4.1%	0
Michigan City-La Porte, IN	-3.5%	-2.0%	-2.2%	-3.2%	-3.2%	-3.4%	0
Midland, TX	3.5%	3.5%	2.2%	2.2%	1.0%	-0.1%	5
Milwaukee-Waukesha-West Allis, WI	-3.0%	-3.4%	-4.3%	-4.8%	-5.6%	-5.4%	0
Minneapolis-St. Paul-Bloomington, MN-WI	-2.7%	-3.1%	-3.5%	-3.3%	-3.5%	-3.7%	0
Missoula, MT	-2.5%	-5.0%	-5.3%	-1.8%	-2.1%	-1.2%	0
Mobile, AL	-0.7%	-1.3%	-1.2%	-1.8%	-1.9%	-2.0%	0
Modesto, CA	-2.3%	-2.6%	-3.4%	-4.0%	-4.2%	-4.6%	0

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Monroe, LA	-1.0%	0.0%	0.0%	-0.4%	-2.4%	-1.5%	0
Monroe, MI	-5.1%	-7.0%	-8.5%	-7.4%	-7.4%	-7.8%	0
Montgomery, AL	-2.7%	-2.6%	-2.4%	-2.8%	-3.0%	-3.0%	0
Morgantown, WV	2.3%	1.5%	1.6%	0.6%	-0.3%	0.3%	5
Morristown, TN	-3.0%	-4.0%	-4.3%	-4.1%	-4.9%	-5.2%	0
Mount Vernon-Anacortes, WA	-4.1%	-5.1%	-5.3%	-4.6%	-4.0%	-4.3%	0
Muncie, IN	-0.6%	-2.1%	-1.5%	-2.6%	-2.4%	-2.4%	0
Muskegon-Norton Shores, MI	-4.9%	-5.1%	-4.8%	-5.7%	-6.6%	-7.0%	0
Myrtle Beach-North Myrtle Beach-Conway, SC	-6.4%	-6.8%	-6.3%	-7.2%	-7.0%	-6.1%	0
Napa, CA	-4.9%	-4.2%	-5.4%	-7.3%	-6.4%	-6.5%	0
Naples-Marco Island, FL	-5.9%	-6.4%	-6.6%	-5.4%	-6.0%	-6.5%	0
Nashville-Davidson--Murfreesboro--Franklin, TN	-3.1%	-3.4%	-3.8%	-3.7%	-3.8%	-4.3%	0
New Bedford, MA NECTA	-1.1%	-1.5%	-2.7%	-3.5%	-3.4%	-3.6%	0
New Haven, CT NECTA	-0.7%	-1.6%	-1.2%	-1.5%	-2.5%	-2.4%	0
New Orleans-Metairie-Kenner, LA	0.8%	0.2%	-0.2%	-0.7%	-0.6%	-0.9%	2
New York-Northern New Jersey-Long Island, NY-NJ-PA	-1.9%	-2.2%	-2.5%	-2.7%	-2.7%	-2.6%	0
Niles-Benton Harbor, MI	-3.7%	-4.1%	-4.2%	-5.4%	-6.4%	-7.1%	0
Norwich-New London, CT-RI NECTA	-2.4%	-2.8%	-2.5%	-3.4%	-4.4%	-4.6%	0
Ocala, FL	-4.6%	-5.3%	-5.5%	-4.2%	-4.2%	-4.4%	0
Ocean City, NJ	0.3%	-0.6%	0.3%	-4.7%	-3.9%	-6.3%	2
Odessa, TX	4.6%	3.5%	3.2%	2.7%	1.9%	1.3%	6
Ogden-Clearfield, UT	-1.9%	-2.2%	-2.8%	-2.9%	-3.5%	-3.8%	0
Oklahoma City, OK	0.6%	0.2%	-0.3%	-0.5%	-1.1%	-0.9%	2
Olympia, WA	0.3%	0.1%	-0.3%	0.1%	-0.4%	-1.2%	3
Omaha-Council Bluffs, NE-IA	0.0%	-0.3%	-1.5%	-1.8%	-1.9%	-1.7%	0
Orlando-Kissimmee, FL	-4.2%	-5.1%	-5.7%	-5.0%	-5.5%	-5.1%	0
Oshkosh-Neenah, WI	-0.6%	-0.3%	-1.1%	-1.6%	-1.6%	-1.6%	0
Owensboro, KY	-1.0%	-1.2%	-1.6%	-1.9%	-2.5%	-2.5%	0
Oxnard-Thousand Oaks-Ventura, CA	-4.0%	-4.9%	-4.8%	-5.3%	-5.4%	-5.0%	0
Palm Bay-Melbourne-Titusville, FL	-5.0%	-5.5%	-5.4%	-4.8%	-4.4%	-4.6%	0
Palm Coast, FL	-2.7%	-5.3%	-6.3%	-6.5%	-7.5%	-9.8%	0
Panama City-Lynn Haven-Panama City Beach, FL	-2.2%	-2.7%	-4.0%	-4.2%	-4.1%	-4.4%	0
Parkersburg-Marietta-Vienna, WV-OH	0.7%	-0.6%	-0.6%	-1.5%	-2.0%	-2.0%	1
Pascagoula, MS	-1.5%	-3.2%	-2.2%	-6.0%	-7.7%	-6.7%	0
Pensacola-Ferry Pass-Brent, FL	-3.1%	-3.5%	-3.9%	-3.8%	-3.8%	-3.4%	0
Peoria, IL	0.7%	-0.4%	-1.1%	-1.0%	-2.7%	-2.7%	1
Philadelphia-Camden-Wilmington, PA-NJ-DE-MD	-1.8%	-2.4%	-2.8%	-3.2%	-3.1%	-3.4%	0
Phoenix-Mesa-Scottsdale, AZ	-6.6%	-7.1%	-7.2%	-6.9%	-7.6%	-7.6%	0
Pine Bluff, AR	-0.5%	-1.6%	-1.8%	-1.8%	-2.8%	-2.9%	0
Pittsburgh, PA	-0.8%	-1.6%	-1.8%	-2.4%	-2.8%	-2.7%	0
Pittsfield, MA NECTA	-1.4%	-1.7%	-2.0%	-1.7%	-2.7%	-3.2%	0
Pocatello, ID	-1.1%	-2.6%	-3.2%	-2.6%	-2.6%	-3.1%	0
Ponce, PR	-3.1%	-2.6%	-1.4%	-2.6%	-1.7%	-0.8%	0
Port St. Lucie, FL	-6.3%	-6.3%	-6.1%	-5.3%	-5.4%	-4.8%	0
Portland-South Portland-Biddeford, ME NECTA	-1.6%	-2.2%	-2.4%	-2.6%	-2.8%	-2.9%	0
Portland-Vancouver-Beaverton, OR-WA	-2.6%	-3.6%	-4.2%	-4.8%	-5.2%	-5.3%	0
Portsmouth, NH-ME NECTA	0.8%	0.8%	0.9%	-1.3%	-2.7%	-2.4%	3
Poughkeepsie-Newburgh-Middletown, NY	-1.2%	-1.2%	-1.5%	-1.8%	-2.1%	-2.3%	0
Prescott, AZ	-7.9%	-7.7%	-8.4%	-8.1%	-9.1%	-10.0%	0
Providence-Fall River-Warwick, RI-MA NECTA	-3.5%	-3.7%	-4.3%	-4.4%	-4.5%	-4.3%	0
Provo-Orem, UT	-2.0%	-3.2%	-3.6%	-4.0%	-4.5%	-4.8%	0
Pueblo, CO	-1.0%	-1.7%	-1.4%	-2.2%	-2.4%	-3.4%	0
Punta Gorda, FL	-5.9%	-6.7%	-6.4%	-5.6%	-5.2%	-5.1%	0
Racine, WI	-1.8%	-2.0%	-3.4%	-3.4%	-4.3%	-4.2%	0
Raleigh-Cary, NC	-2.6%	-3.1%	-3.5%	-3.2%	-3.5%	-3.0%	0
Rapid City, SD	0.5%	-0.3%	-0.5%	-1.7%	-1.6%	-1.9%	1
Reading, PA	-2.0%	-2.5%	-3.1%	-3.6%	-3.8%	-3.8%	0
Redding, CA	-3.9%	-4.5%	-4.5%	-4.8%	-5.4%	-5.5%	0
Reno-Sparks, NV	-7.2%	-7.3%	-7.4%	-8.4%	-8.1%	-8.1%	0

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Richmond, VA	-2.5%	-3.6%	-3.6%	-3.8%	-3.3%	-3.4%	0
Riverside-San Bernardino-Ontario, CA	-6.1%	-6.6%	-6.5%	-6.5%	-6.2%	-6.2%	0
Roanoke, VA	-1.2%	-1.4%	-1.7%	-1.7%	-1.8%	-1.9%	0
Rochester, MN	0.4%	0.0%	-0.7%	0.4%	-0.4%	-1.3%	2
Rochester, NY	0.1%	-0.3%	-0.5%	-0.8%	-1.2%	-1.5%	1
Rochester-Dover, NH-ME NECTA	0.7%	-1.4%	-2.0%	-2.4%	-3.0%	-1.2%	1
Rockford, IL	-3.4%	-3.0%	-2.7%	-3.1%	-3.4%	-3.7%	0
Rocky Mount, NC	-4.5%	-5.3%	-5.6%	-3.3%	-3.5%	-3.9%	0
Rome, GA	-6.3%	-6.0%	-5.5%	-3.9%	-4.8%	-4.1%	0
Sacramento--Arden-Arcade--Roseville, CA	-4.0%	-4.7%	-4.9%	-4.9%	-5.1%	-5.2%	0
Saginaw-Saginaw Township North, MI	-4.4%	-4.4%	-4.1%	-3.0%	-4.4%	-5.8%	0
Salem, OR	-1.7%	-2.2%	-4.4%	-5.2%	-5.2%	-5.2%	0
Salinas, CA	-0.8%	-2.4%	-2.9%	-2.7%	-3.0%	-3.3%	0
Salisbury, MD	-2.6%	-2.4%	-3.1%	-3.2%	-3.4%	-5.0%	0
Salt Lake City, UT	-1.5%	-2.0%	-2.7%	-3.1%	-3.5%	-3.8%	0
San Angelo, TX	-0.2%	-0.2%	-1.1%	-1.3%	-0.9%	-2.4%	0
San Antonio, TX	0.2%	-0.1%	-0.2%	-0.3%	-0.7%	-0.7%	1
San Diego-Carlsbad-San Marcos, CA	-2.1%	-3.0%	-3.4%	-3.5%	-3.9%	-4.2%	0
San Francisco-Oakland-Fremont, CA	-2.9%	-3.7%	-3.9%	-4.1%	-4.5%	-4.7%	0
San German-Cabo Rijo, PR	-1.8%	-1.8%	-2.2%	-3.5%	-3.9%	-3.4%	0
San Jose-Sunnyvale-Santa Clara, CA	-2.3%	-3.2%	-3.9%	-4.1%	-4.3%	-4.7%	0
San Juan-Caguas-Guaynabo, PR	-2.0%	-2.1%	-2.9%	-3.6%	-3.6%	-4.7%	0
San Luis Obispo-Paso Robles, CA	-1.8%	-2.7%	-3.4%	-3.2%	-2.9%	-3.4%	0
Sandusky, OH	2.6%	2.6%	2.3%	2.2%	0.2%	1.7%	6
Santa Barbara-Santa Maria-Goleta, CA	-0.9%	-1.5%	-1.7%	-2.2%	-2.3%	-2.2%	0
Santa Cruz-Watsonville, CA	-2.5%	-3.8%	-4.3%	-4.8%	-5.1%	-5.5%	0
Santa Fe, NM	1.0%	-0.9%	-1.6%	-2.9%	-2.6%	-4.2%	1
Santa Rosa-Petaluma, CA	-4.4%	-4.8%	-5.0%	-4.1%	-4.9%	-7.7%	0
Savannah, GA	-2.2%	-2.7%	-2.4%	-2.4%	-2.8%	-2.6%	0
Scranton--Wilkes-Barre, PA	-1.9%	-2.3%	-2.5%	-3.2%	-3.4%	-3.0%	0
Seattle-Tacoma-Bellevue, WA	-2.0%	-2.8%	-3.3%	-3.4%	-3.6%	-3.7%	0
Sebastian-Vero Beach, FL	-6.9%	-8.1%	-8.1%	-7.9%	-8.6%	-7.2%	0
Sheboygan, WI	-2.1%	-2.9%	-3.3%	-4.6%	-4.6%	-4.7%	0
Sherman-Denison, TX	0.9%	0.0%	-0.9%	-0.7%	-1.8%	-1.6%	1
Shreveport-Bossier City, LA	-0.2%	-0.6%	-0.9%	-0.6%	-0.9%	-1.4%	0
Sioux City, IA-NE-SD	0.7%	-0.7%	-1.3%	-2.2%	-2.1%	-1.7%	1
Sioux Falls, SD	0.4%	-0.1%	-0.6%	-0.8%	-0.9%	-1.5%	1
South Bend-Mishawaka, IN-MI	-1.4%	-1.9%	-2.3%	-2.0%	-2.5%	-2.4%	0
Spartanburg, SC	-1.6%	-3.3%	-4.2%	-3.4%	-3.2%	-3.5%	0
Spokane, WA	-1.8%	-1.8%	-2.9%	-3.2%	-3.9%	-4.3%	0
Springfield, IL	0.6%	0.2%	-0.6%	-1.8%	-2.5%	-2.4%	2
Springfield, MA-CT NECTA	-2.0%	-2.3%	-3.1%	-4.1%	-3.8%	-3.7%	0
Springfield, MO	-1.5%	-1.5%	-2.2%	-2.3%	-2.3%	-2.0%	0
Springfield, OH	-1.3%	-1.7%	-1.1%	-1.3%	-2.3%	-3.2%	0
St. Cloud, MN	-0.5%	-1.3%	-2.0%	-0.9%	-1.4%	-1.9%	0
St. George, UT	-3.7%	-3.8%	-4.6%	-3.3%	-3.2%	-3.6%	0
St. Joseph, MO-KS	-2.0%	-2.4%	-2.0%	-0.8%	-1.7%	-1.5%	0
St. Louis, MO-IL	-2.1%	-2.3%	-2.4%	-2.5%	-3.3%	-3.8%	0
State College, PA	-0.3%	-1.3%	-2.3%	-2.0%	-2.2%	-2.2%	0
Stockton, CA	-1.5%	-2.0%	-2.2%	-2.0%	-2.9%	-3.7%	0
Sumter, SC	-4.1%	-5.1%	-6.9%	-7.2%	-6.9%	-5.3%	0
Syracuse, NY	-0.3%	-0.4%	-0.8%	-1.1%	-1.3%	-1.5%	0
Tallahassee, FL	-2.2%	-2.6%	-2.5%	-2.9%	-2.2%	-2.1%	0
Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater, FL	-3.5%	-4.1%	-4.7%	-3.9%	-4.6%	-4.5%	0
Terre Haute, IN	-2.1%	-2.8%	-2.6%	-2.2%	-2.7%	-2.5%	0
Texarkana, TX-Texarkana, AR	0.9%	0.0%	0.0%	-0.3%	-1.2%	-2.2%	1
Toledo, OH	-5.2%	-5.7%	-5.5%	-5.7%	-6.5%	-7.6%	0
Topeka, KS	1.3%	0.5%	-0.1%	-1.6%	-1.8%	-2.6%	2
Trenton-Ewing, NJ	-1.8%	-2.1%	-2.0%	-2.6%	-3.2%	-3.0%	0

Metropolitan Area	Percent Change From One Year Earlier						Number of Months with Job Growth
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	
Tucson, AZ	-3.2%	-3.0%	-4.8%	-4.6%	-5.3%	-6.2%	0
Tulsa, OK	0.6%	-0.5%	-0.7%	-1.0%	-1.9%	-1.2%	1
Tuscaloosa, AL	-3.6%	-1.5%	-1.3%	-2.7%	-2.2%	-5.0%	0
Tyler, TX	1.2%	1.3%	0.9%	1.3%	0.5%	-0.3%	5
Utica-Rome, NY	-0.5%	-0.6%	-0.4%	-0.9%	-1.0%	-1.4%	0
Valdosta, GA	-1.8%	-2.6%	-1.1%	-1.7%	-3.3%	-1.3%	0
Vallejo-Fairfield, CA	-3.1%	-3.5%	-3.1%	-3.8%	-3.8%	-4.1%	0
Victoria, TX	0.0%	-1.4%	-1.9%	-2.9%	-3.6%	-3.8%	0
Vineland-Millville-Bridgeton, NJ	-1.5%	-1.5%	-1.8%	-1.8%	-1.8%	-2.2%	0
Virginia Beach-Norfolk-Newport News, VA-NC	-0.4%	-0.9%	-0.8%	-0.8%	-0.8%	-1.0%	0
Visalia-Porterville, CA	-2.6%	-2.6%	-3.2%	-3.7%	-3.6%	-3.3%	0
Waco, TX	0.7%	0.3%	-0.1%	-0.8%	-1.1%	-1.7%	2
Warner Robins, GA	-2.2%	-3.4%	-1.9%	-1.2%	-0.5%	-0.8%	0
Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, DC-VA-MD-WV	-0.1%	-0.2%	-0.7%	-1.1%	-1.2%	-1.4%	0
Waterbury, CT NECTA	-3.0%	-3.1%	-2.7%	-2.7%	-3.4%	-3.6%	0
Waterloo-Cedar Falls, IA	-0.8%	0.6%	-1.1%	-2.3%	-2.3%	-2.3%	1
Wausau, WI	-2.9%	-3.2%	-3.8%	-4.0%	-4.4%	-4.5%	0
Weirton-Steubenville, WV-OH	0.2%	-1.2%	-1.0%	-3.3%	-3.2%	-4.5%	1
Wenatchee-East Wenatchee, WA	-0.3%	-0.8%	-4.3%	-6.5%	-6.9%	-6.5%	0
Wheeling, WV-OH	-0.6%	-0.4%	-0.7%	-0.7%	-0.6%	-0.3%	0
Wichita Falls, TX	-2.1%	-2.4%	-2.6%	-2.4%	-2.4%	-2.9%	0
Wichita, KS	1.0%	0.2%	-0.6%	-1.1%	-1.9%	-2.5%	2
Williamsport, PA	-3.0%	-3.6%	-3.9%	-4.8%	-4.4%	-4.4%	0
Wilmington, NC	-2.4%	-3.1%	-4.4%	-4.1%	-4.7%	-5.2%	0
Winchester, VA-WV	-4.4%	-4.8%	-4.6%	-4.6%	-4.4%	-4.4%	0
Winston-Salem, NC	-3.2%	-3.2%	-3.6%	-3.4%	-3.5%	-2.9%	0
Worcester, MA-CT NECTA	-1.7%	-1.8%	-1.8%	-1.8%	-1.6%	-1.6%	0
Yakima, WA	-0.4%	-2.3%	-2.7%	-2.5%	-2.9%	-1.8%	0
Yauco, PR	1.9%	-2.5%	0.6%	0.0%	-0.6%	0.6%	3
York-Hanover, PA	-1.0%	-1.7%	-2.4%	-2.6%	-3.0%	-3.3%	0
Youngstown-Warren-Boardman, OH-PA	-4.9%	-4.3%	-3.9%	-5.1%	-5.6%	-5.9%	0
Yuba City, CA	-3.0%	-3.4%	-3.7%	-4.4%	-4.6%	-5.6%	0
Yuma, AZ	-9.4%	-9.9%	-9.9%	-6.5%	-5.8%	-5.3%	0

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