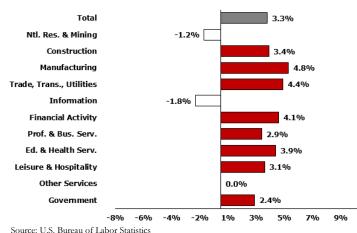
# Economic Summary

### Employment

**Employment Change**—Utah's nonagricultural employment increased an estimated 3.3%, or 48,600 jobs, between October 2017 and October 2018. Nationally, employment increased 1.7%, or 2.5 million jobs, between October 2017 and October 2018.

**Unemployment**—Utah's unemployment rate was 3.2% in October 2018, the same as the October 2017 rate of 3.2%. The national unemployment rate was 3.7% in October 2018, lower than the October 2017 rate of 4.1%.

Percent Change in Utah Employment by Industry: Oct 2017 to Oct 2018



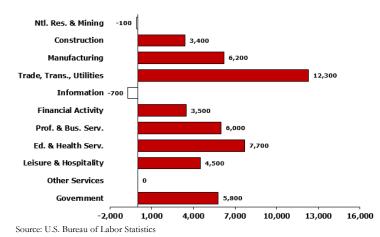
Numerical Change in Utah Employment by Industry: Oct 2017 to Oct 2018

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## Wages and Income

**Total Personal Income**—Utah's total personal income reached \$142.2 billion\* in the second quarter of 2018, rising 6.7% from the second quarter of 2017. This was the fastest growth in the nation. Nationally, personal income increased 4.6% over the same period.

**Income Per Capita**—Utah's per capita personal income grew 3.0% to reach \$43,459 in 2017. Per capita personal income for the nation in 2017 was \$51,640, a year-over-year increase of 3.6%.

\*seasonally adjusted at an annual rate Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis

# GDP, CPI, Interest Rates, and Home Prices

**Interest Rates**—The 30-year fixed-rate mortgage (FRM) averaged 4.81% for the week ending November 29, 2018 according to Freddie Mac.

Home Prices: Third Quarter 2018 Over Third Quarter 2017

Realtors

Home Prices—According to the Federal Housing Finance
Agency (FHFA) House Price Appreciation Ranking, Utah's house
prices were up 10.0% in the third quarter of 2018 from third
quarter of 2017.

Foreclosure Rates—At the end of the third quarter of 2018, Utah ranked 2nd lowest with 0.31% of all loans in foreclosure.

Indicator	Period	Value	Period	Value
GDP	Q3-18 Annual	3.04%	Since Q2-18	0.86%
CPI	Oct-18 Annual	2.53%	Since Sept-18	0.33%
CPI-core	Oct-18 Annual	2.15%	Since Sept-18	0.19%
Note: CPI-core excludes Food and Energy; National GDP and CPI Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis; U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics				

				Purchase-
	Median		HPI	Only
	Sales Price	Change	Change	Change
Logan, UT-ID MSA	\$271,768	7.3%	7.5%	na
Ogden-Clearfield, UT MSA	\$297,486	9.5%	11.5%	na
Provo-Orem, UT MSA	\$341,977	6.7%	10.5%	na
Salt Lake City, UT MSA	\$329,734	9.5%	10.7%	10.9%
St. George	\$308,329	8.2%	9.1%	na
Utah	\$325,607	8.7%	10.4%	10.0%
U.S.	\$266,009	6.2%	6.6%	6.3%

Note: The median price is for existing single family homes, seasonally adjusted, from Economy.com. Home price data from the FHFA is limited to conventional mortgages guaranteed by Fannie Mae or Freddie Mac. The House Price Index includes purchases and refinances, while the Purchase-Only Index excludes refinances. NAR and FHFA data is Moody's analytics adjusted.

Source: National Association of Realtors; Federal Housing Finance Agency

Utah Year-Over Growth in Quarterly Personal Income

FHFA

Ntl. Res. & Mining

Construction

Manufacturing

Information

**Financial Activity** 

Prof. & Bus. Serv.

Ed. & Health Serv.

Other Services

Government

0%

Leisure & Hospitality

Trade, Trans., Utilities

Demographic	State Rank <sub>3</sub>	Value	Year
Population Growth Rate	3rd	1.9%	2017
Fertility Rate	2nd	2.24	2016
Life Expectancy	10th	80.2	2010
Median Age	1st	30.9	2017
Household Size	1st	3.19	2016
Social Indicators			
Poverty Rate	7th	10.2%	2016
Educational Attainment			
Persons 25+ w/high school degree	12th	91.7%	2016
Persons 25+ w/bachelor's degree	18th	32.6%	2016

Percent of Total Gross Domestic Product by Industry: 2017

5.9%

5.4%

3.3%

5%

2.6%

7.2%

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12.3%

15%

17.6%

20%

20.2%

25%

2.6%

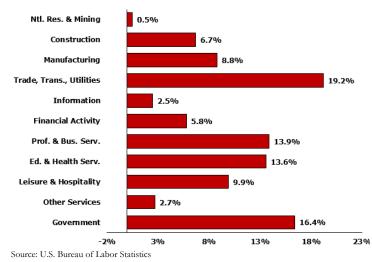
Economic	State Rank₃	Value	Period
Employment Change <sub>1,2,4</sub>	2nd	3.3%	Oct-18 Annual
Unemployment Rate <sub>1.2</sub>	13th	3.2%	Oct-18
Median Household Income	12th	\$71,319	2017
Per Capita Personal Income	42nd	\$42,043	2017
Total Personal Income (% Change)	1st	6.7%	Q2-18 Annual

Notes: Rankings are based on the most recent data available for all states; may differ from other data. Job growth and unemployment rates are based on seasonally adjusted data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics and may differ from estimates published by other sources.

3. Rank is most favorable to least favorable.

4. Employment change based on nonfarm employment totals.

Employment by Industry as a Percent of Total Employment: October 2018



Overview of the Economy-The Utah economy remains healthy. Every major industrial sector expanded in 2017, contributing a total of 43,500 new jobs over the

year. An annual employment growth rate of 3.1% is on par with the state's long-term average and is among the

Internal risks to the Utah economy include the supply of workers, increasing interest rates, housing affordability,

and air quality. The nation is entering a late business cycle which may also present challenges. Demographic

advantages, an appealing business climate, and increasing

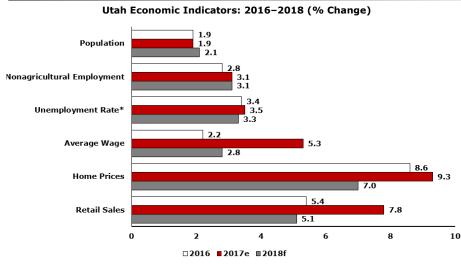
labor force participation will continue to be an advantage for the economy. All going well, Utah will once again be

one of the top-performing economies in the nation in

strongest in the nation. In 2017, Utah's construction sector posted the highest job growth with 5.4%.

Outlook 2018—The consensus forecast predicts moderating - but still healthy - job and wage growth, low unemployment, and increased net migration in 2018.





Source: Gardner Policy Institute; BLS; Council of Economic Advisors' Revenue Assumptions Working Group e = estimate f = forecast \* = for veat

#### Demographics

Population—Utah Population Committee estimates that Utah's population increased by 59,045 persons from July 2016 to July 2017 with total population rising to 3,114,039. Utah's population growth rate of 1.9% between 2016 and 2017 is the third highest in the nation. Utah also had the highest natural increase in America at 11.4 per 1,000 population for the same period. The total 2017 population count for the United States is 325,719,178. This represents a population increase of 2,313,243 people, or 0.7% from 2016.

The Population Estimate for 2018 will be available in December 2018.

	Utah	United States
2016 Estimate	3,054,994	323,405,935
2017 Estimate	3,114,039	325,719,178
2016-2017 Percent Change	1.9%	0.7%
2016-2017 Numeric Change	59,045	2,313,243

Source: U.S. Census Bureau; Utah Population Committee

2018.