

Largest Employment Shares in West Virginia



Health, Social Services



State & Local Government



Retail Trade



Industrial snapshot: **West Virginia**

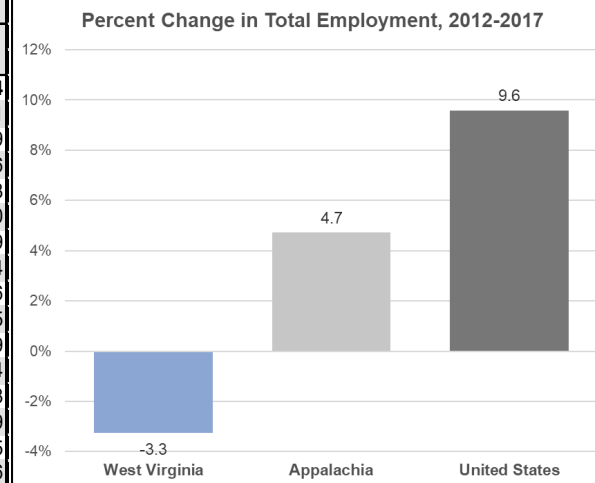
Largest industrial share in 2017: **Health & Social Services**, 125,000 jobs, 14.1 percent of total employment

Fastest growth in employment from 2012 to 2017: **Utilities**, 6.4 percent growth

Fastest growth in earnings per employee from 2012 to 2017: **Education & Information Services**, 11.3 percent growth

2017	Employment (thousands)			Industrial Share			Earnings per employee		
	West Virginia	Appalachia	United States	West Virginia	Appalachia	United States	West Virginia	Appalachia	United States
Total Employment	889	13,420	196,132	100.0	100.0	100.0	\$45,460	\$46,697	\$57,187
Health, Social Services	125	1,562	22,199	14.1	11.6	11.3	\$53,648	\$53,807	\$56,340
State & Local Government	122	1,488	19,619	13.8	11.1	10.0	\$47,961	\$58,113	\$69,677
Retail Trade	103	1,493	19,222	11.6	11.1	9.8	\$14,305	\$17,906	\$22,477
Professional, Technical Services	89	1,619	28,479	10.0	12.1	14.5	\$44,081	\$43,107	\$61,372
Food, Lodging, Entertainment	85	1,240	19,155	9.6	9.2	9.8	\$20,442	\$21,308	\$27,685
Finance, Insurance, Real Estate	53	1,040	19,616	6.0	7.8	10.0	\$34,871	\$37,716	\$60,386
Manufacturing	50	1,342	13,307	5.6	10.0	6.8	\$68,868	\$63,583	\$77,469
Wholesale Trade, Transportation	48	874	14,148	5.4	6.5	7.2	\$86,680	\$80,686	\$83,878
Personal & Other Services	47	793	11,170	5.3	5.9	5.7	\$31,573	\$32,180	\$36,353
Construction	46	775	10,636	5.1	5.8	5.4	\$58,095	\$53,773	\$64,788
Coal, Gas, Other Mining	36	140	1,505	4.0	1.0	0.8	\$52,288	\$48,966	\$67,769
Federal Government, Military	33	241	4,786	3.7	1.8	2.4	\$83,446	\$78,938	\$91,808
Farming, Forestry	24	325	3,552	2.7	2.4	1.8	\$3,205	\$13,726	\$28,111
Education, Information Services	23	432	8,075	2.6	3.2	4.1	\$78,856	\$79,670	\$82,520
Utilities	6	57	664	0.7	0.4	0.3	\$109,657	\$109,314	\$125,893

2012-2017	Percent change in employment			Percent change in earnings per employee		
	West Virginia	Appalachia	United States	West Virginia	Appalachia	United States
Total Employment	-3.3	4.7	9.6	0.6	3.7	3.4
Health, Social Services	1.2	5.3	10.5	7.3	4.7	4.1
State & Local Government	-5.6	-0.7	2.3	3.3	6.8	7.9
Retail Trade	-3.3	2.5	6.4	-0.5	22.4	15.6
Professional, Technical Services	1.2	7.1	12.0	11.1	9.3	7.8
Food, Lodging, Entertainment	0.4	11.6	15.1	-1.0	6.2	8.0
Finance, Insurance, Real Estate	0.7	8.6	11.7	-6.6	-2.5	2.9
Manufacturing	-4.4	5.5	5.6	4.1	3.4	1.4
Wholesale Trade, Transportation	-3.4	6.2	16.8	-1.8	-0.6	-5.6
Personal & Other Services	-3.0	3.7	7.7	-1.3	3.1	2.5
Construction	-8.1	7.2	19.0	-6.5	3.5	7.9
Coal, Gas, Other Mining	-24.5	-17.3	-2.7	-21.0	-23.3	-36.4
Federal Government, Military	-1.2	-3.9	-2.9	5.5	3.4	2.8
Farming, Forestry	-2.9	0.7	1.3	-37.0	-6.2	-18.9
Education, Information Services	-2.0	2.4	8.7	11.3	4.4	6.5
Utilities	6.4	11.0	14.9	0.5	0.3	-2.6



For more information, please see the complete report, ***Industrial Make-up of the Appalachian Region, Employment and Earnings, 2002-2017***, available for download at www.arc.gov/research. The report includes county-level maps for each industry in the region, allowing for comparisons across states and subregions, as well discussion about how trends in the Region compare with those in the United States as a whole.

