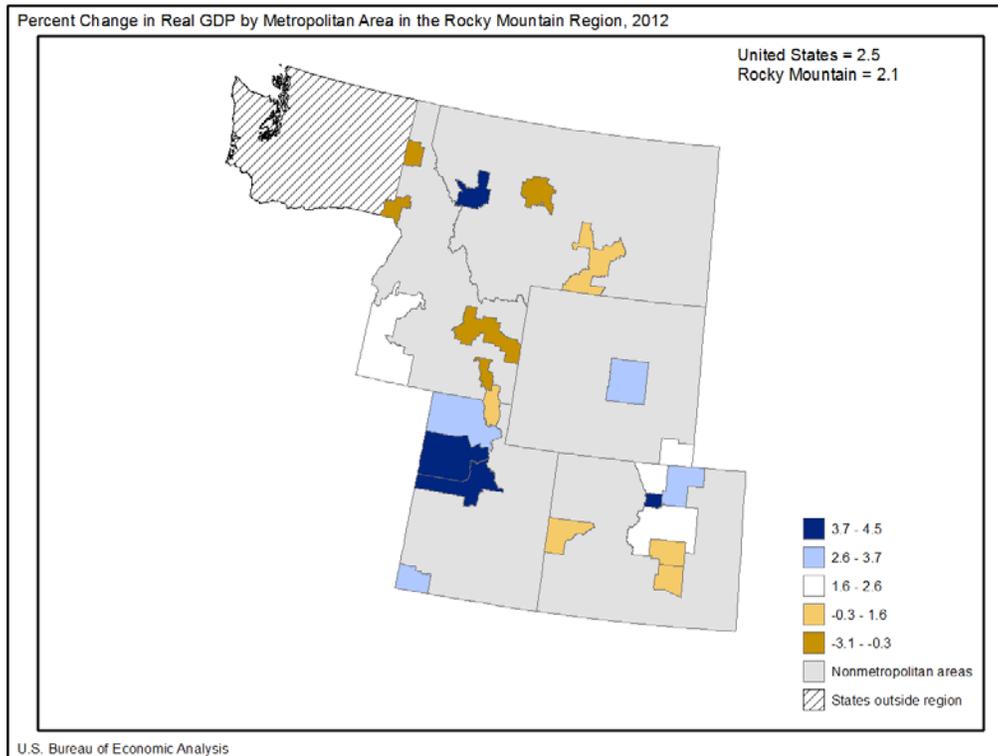


MODERATE GROWTH IN THE ROCKY MOUNTAINS IN 2012

Advance Statistics of GDP by Metropolitan Area



- Real GDP expanded in 16 of the 21 MSAs wholly contained in this region. Durable-goods manufacturing contributed the most to growth in real GDP for the region. This region accounts for 3.1 percent of the nation's current-dollar GDP in durable-goods manufacturing. By contrast, mining restrained growth in the region's GDP.
- Casper, WY and Cheyenne, WY experienced the largest upturns in real GDP growth due to growth in construction and retail trade. Casper, WY growth improved to 3.6 percent in 2012 from -0.9 percent in 2011 (4.5 percentage points), while Cheyenne, WY growth improved to 2.4 percent in 2012 from -1.2 percent in 2011 (3.6 percentage points).
- Growth in real GDP ranged from -3.1 percent to 4.5 percent with the fastest growth occurring in Casper, WY and Cheyenne, WY. Growth in these metropolitan areas was spurred by construction and retail trade.
- Denver-Aurora-Lakewood, CO and Salt Lake City, UT—the two largest metropolitan areas in the region, and the 18th and 42nd largest in the nation—experienced growth (2.5 percent and 4.1 percent, respectively), due to growth in finance and insurance and durable-goods manufacturing.

BEA data—including GDP, personal income, the balance of payments, foreign direct investment, the input-output accounts, and economic data for states, local areas, and industries—are available on the BEA Web site: www.bea.gov. [E-mail](#) alerts are also available.

NOTE: The next release of GDP by metropolitan area will be in September 2014.