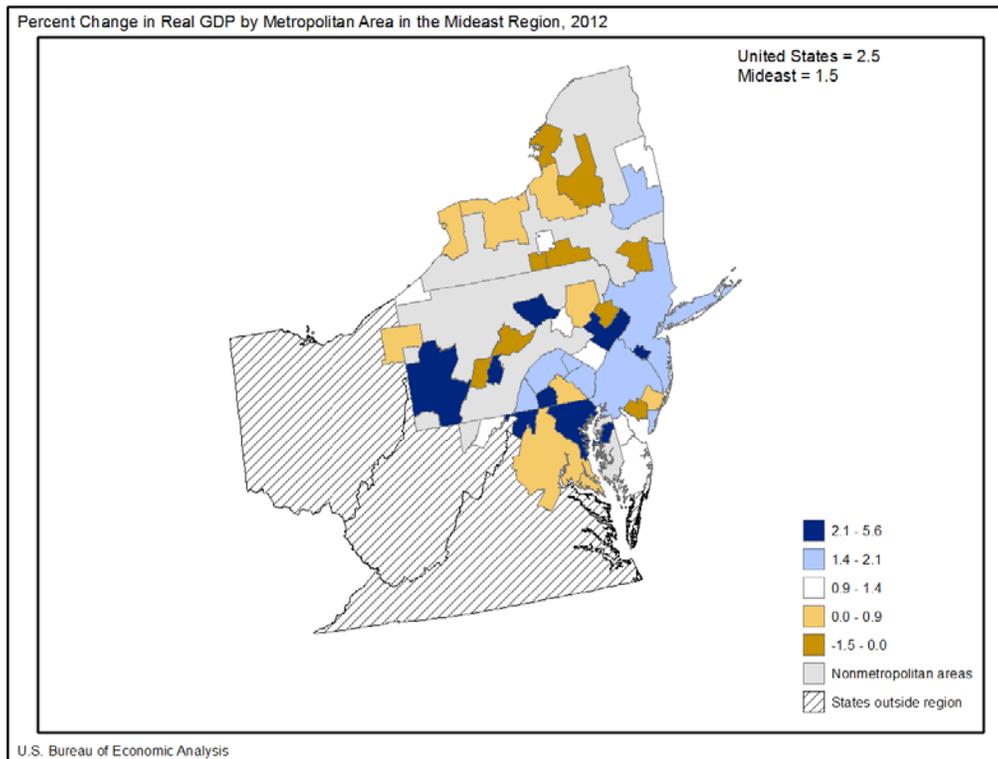


## GROWTH IN MIDEAST TRAILS THE U.S. IN 2012

*Advance Statistics of GDP by Metropolitan Area*



- Real GDP expanded in 29 of the 38 MSAs wholly contained in this region. Finance and insurance contributed the most to growth in real GDP for the region. This region accounts for 26.5 percent of the nation's current-dollar GDP in finance and insurance. By contrast, health care and social assistance restrained growth in the region's GDP.
- Salisbury, MD-DE and Gettysburg, PA experienced the largest upturns in real GDP growth due to growth in finance and insurance and nondurable-goods manufacturing, respectively. Salisbury, MD-DE growth improved to 1.4 percent in 2012 from -3.3 percent in 2011 (4.7 percentage points), while Gettysburg, PA growth improved to 2.8 percent in 2012 from -1.1 percent in 2011 (3.9 percentage points).
- Growth in real GDP ranged from -1.5 percent to 5.6 percent with the fastest growth occurring in Williamsport, PA and Altoona, PA. Growth in each of these metropolitan areas was spurred by mining and real estate, respectively.
- New York-Newark-Jersey City, NY-NJ-PA and Philadelphia-Camden-Wilmington, PA-NJ-DE-MD—the two largest metropolitan areas in the region, and the 1<sup>st</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> largest in the nation—experienced growth (1.4 percent and 1.5 percent), due to growth in information and finance and insurance, respectively.

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