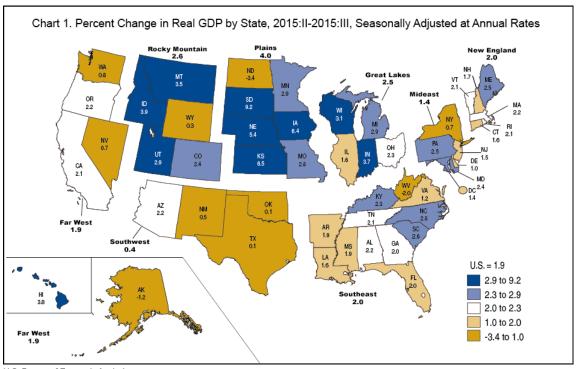


Retail Trade Led Growth Across States in the Third Quarter

Gross Domestic Product by State, 3rd quarter 2015

Real gross domestic product (GDP) increased in 47 states and the District of Columbia in the third quarter of 2015, according to statistics on the geographic breakout of GDP released today by the Bureau of Economic Analysis. Overall, U.S. real GDP by state growth slowed to an annual rate of 1.9 percent in the third quarter of 2015 after increasing 3.8 percent in the second quarter. Retail trade; health care and social assistance; and agriculture, forestry, fishing, and hunting were the leading contributors to real U.S. economic growth in the third quarter.



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- Retail trade grew 7.1 percent in the third quarter of 2015. This industry contributed 0.41 percentage point to U.S. real GDP growth and contributed to growth in 49 states and the District of Columbia. Nevada was the lone exception.
- Health care and social assistance grew 5.5 percent in the third quarter of 2015. This industry contributed 0.39 percentage point to U.S. real GDP growth and contributed to growth in 49 states and the District of Columbia. North Dakota was the lone exception.
- Agriculture, forestry, fishing, and hunting grew 37.5 percent in the third quarter of 2015. This industry contributed 0.36 percentage point to real GDP growth for the nation and contributed 6.91 percentage points to real GDP growth in South Dakota, 5.41 percentage points to growth in Kansas, and 4.79 percentage points to growth in Nebraska.

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