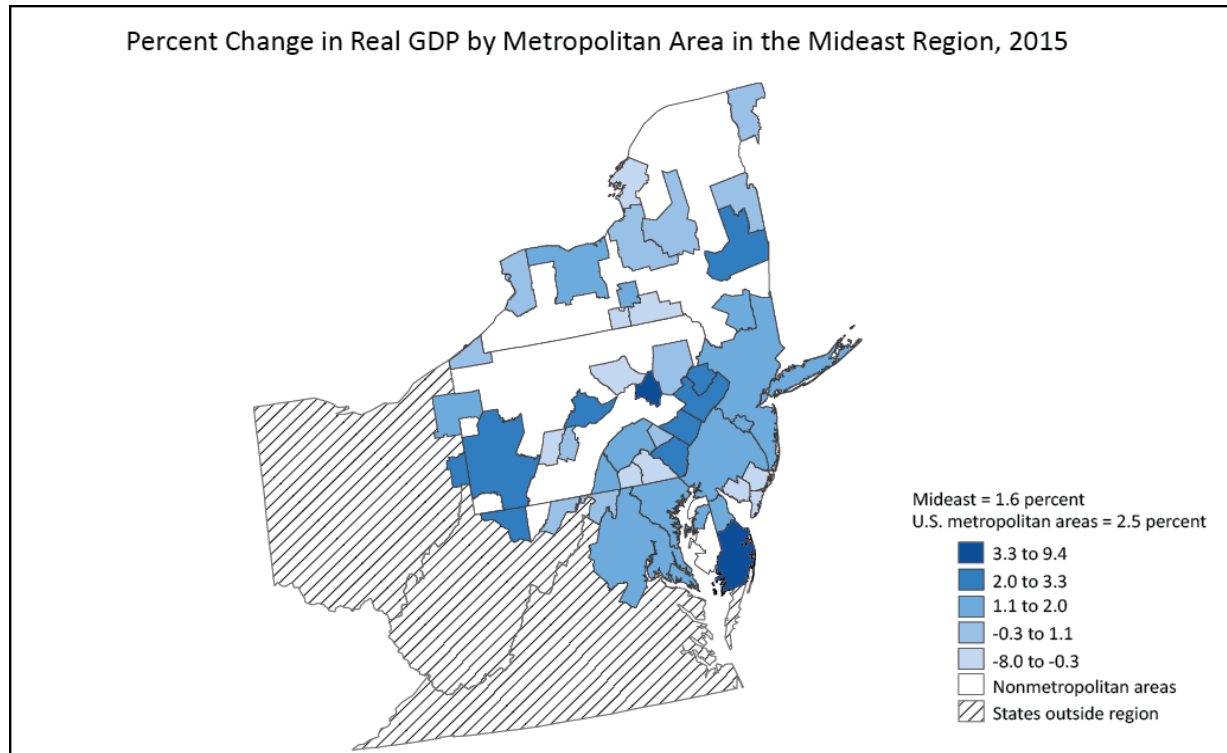


## Gross Domestic Product (GDP) by Metropolitan Area, 2015

*Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services Led Growth in the Mideast Region*



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- Real GDP expanded in 25 of the 38 MSAs wholly contained in this region. Professional, scientific, and technical services contributed the most to growth in real GDP for the region. This region accounts for 22.4 percent of the nation's current-dollar GDP in professional, scientific, and technical services. By contrast, government restrained growth in the region's GDP.
- Bloomsburg-Berwick, PA and East Stroudsburg, PA experienced the largest upturns in real GDP growth due to growth in utilities and nondurable-goods manufacturing, respectively. Bloomsburg-Berwick, PA growth improved to 3.7 percent in 2015 from -4.3 in 2014 (8.0 percentage points), while East Stroudsburg, PA growth improved to 3.3 percent in 2015 from -2.0 percent in 2014 (5.3 percentage points).
- Growth in real GDP ranged from -3.1 percent to 4.1 percent in 2015 with the fastest growth occurring in Salisbury, MD-DE and Bloomsburg-Berwick, PA. Growth in each of these metropolitan areas was spurred by agriculture, forestry, fishing, and hunting, and utilities, 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 8<sup>th</sup> largest in the nation—experienced growth (1.7 percent and 1.5 percent, respectively), due to growth in professional, scientific, and technical services and the information industry group, respectively.