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Overview

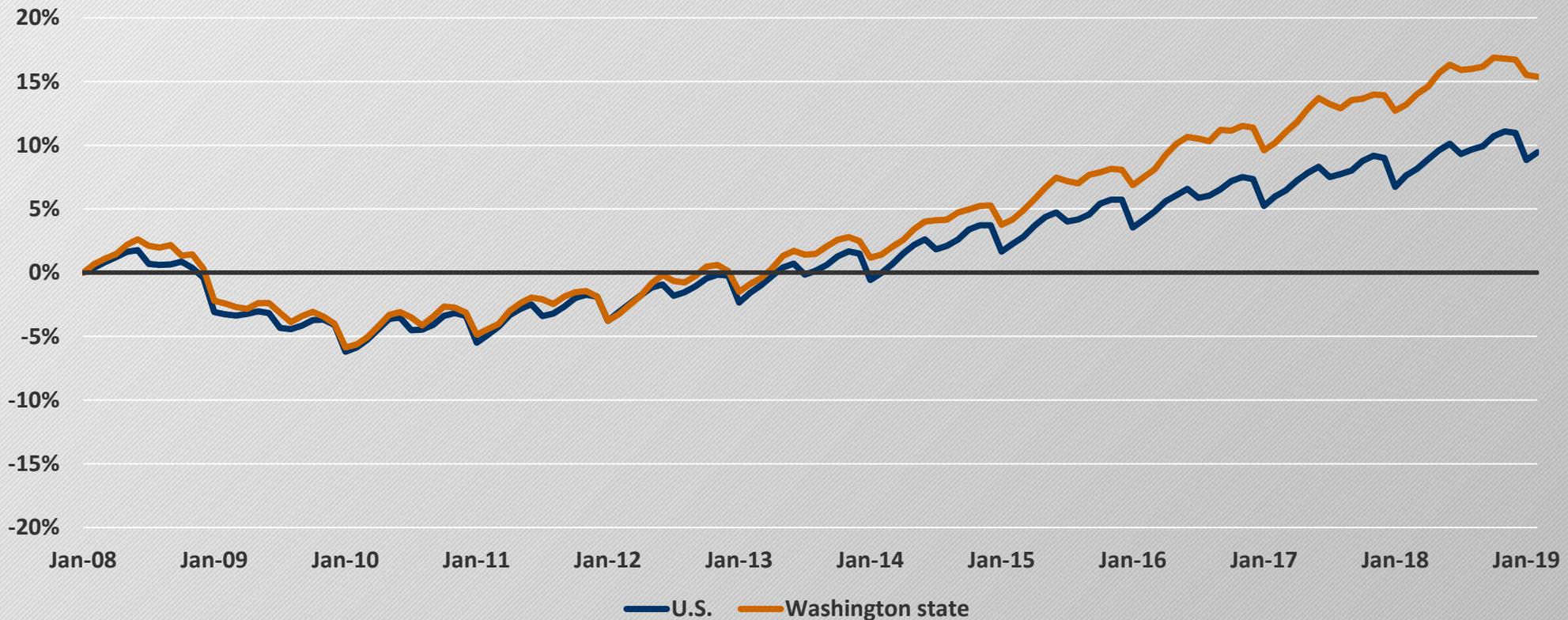


- Review of Washington's labor market by region
- Regional labor market resources and tools

Washington State



Percent change in jobs from before the recession



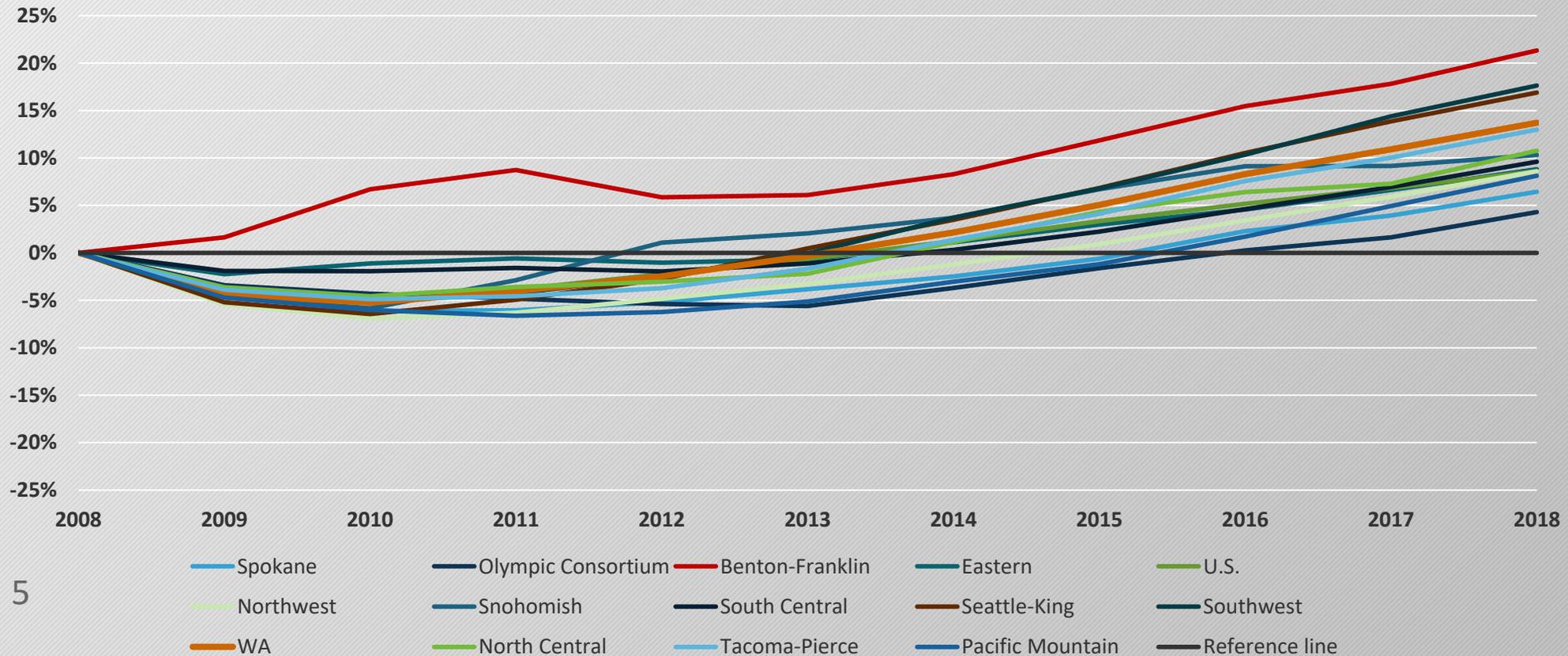
Washington's Workforce Development Areas



Annualized job growth in the region



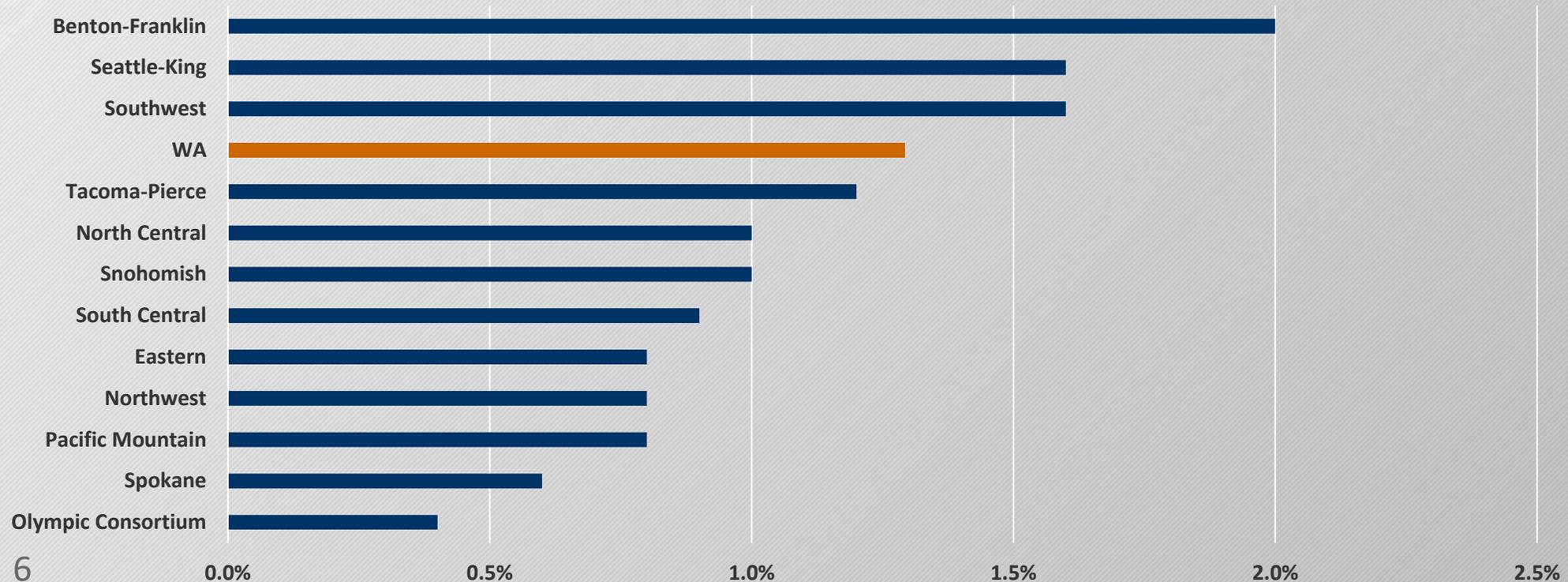
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Annualized job growth by region

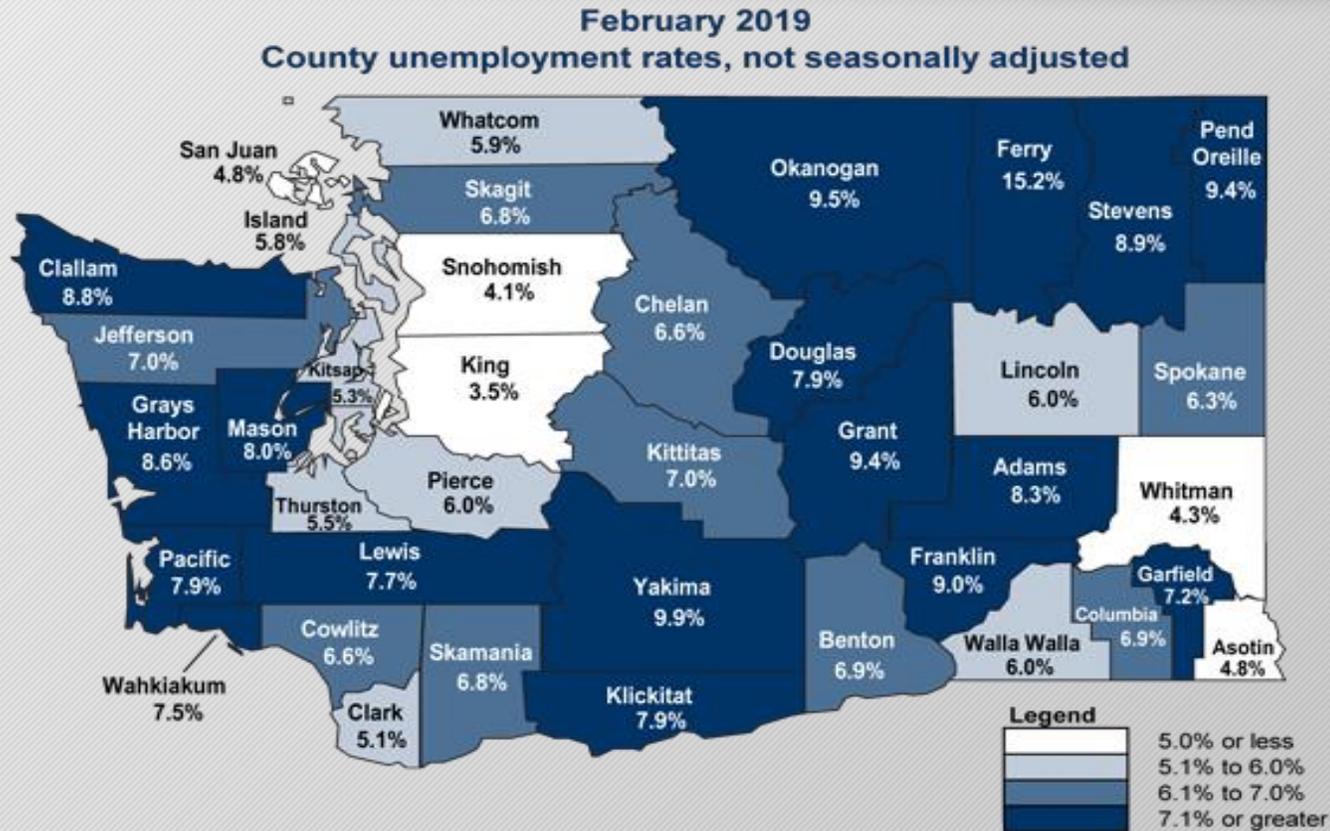


Annualized employment growth
(2008-2018)



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Unemployment by area



Olympic WDA



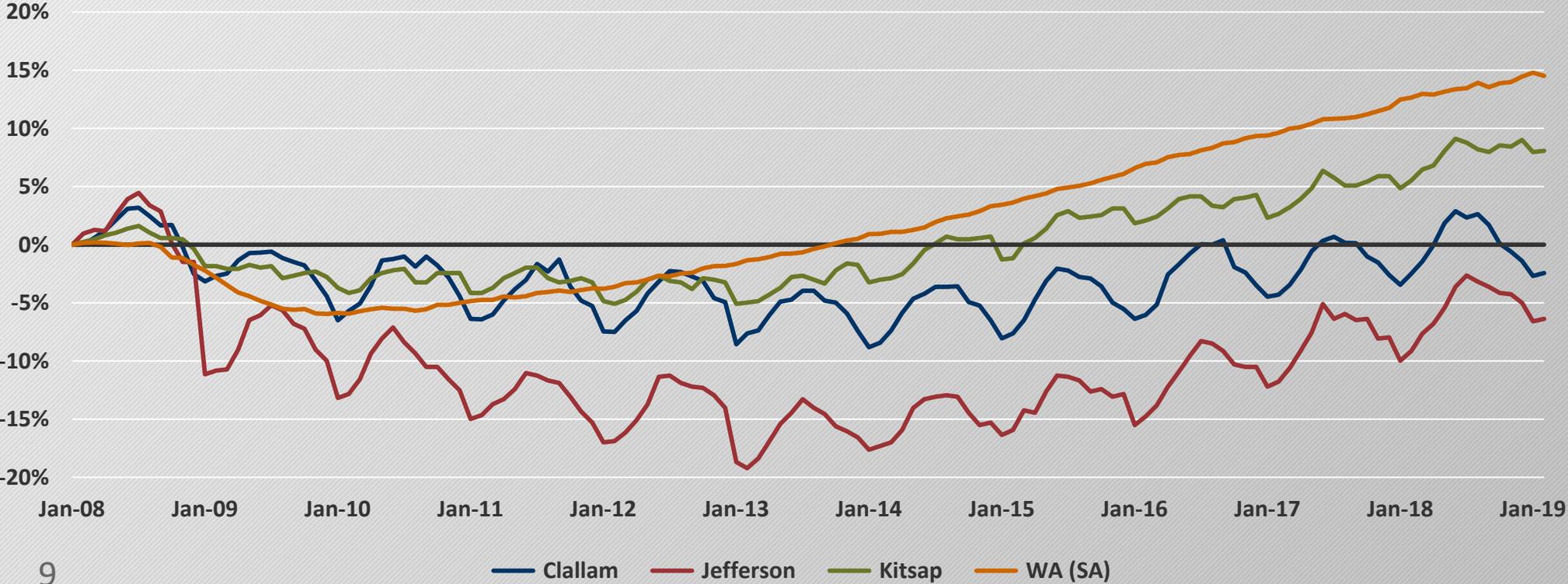
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Washington state (SA)	3,437,500	1.7%	4.5%	-0.1%
Kitsap	93,600	2.4%	5.3%	-0.1%
Clallam	22,940	0.0%	8.8%	0.9%
Jefferson	8,820	3.0%	7.0%	-0.4%

SA = Seasonally adjusted

Olympic WDA



Percent change in jobs since recession



Source: Employment Security Department/LMEA; U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, Current Employment Statistics

Pacific Mountain WDA



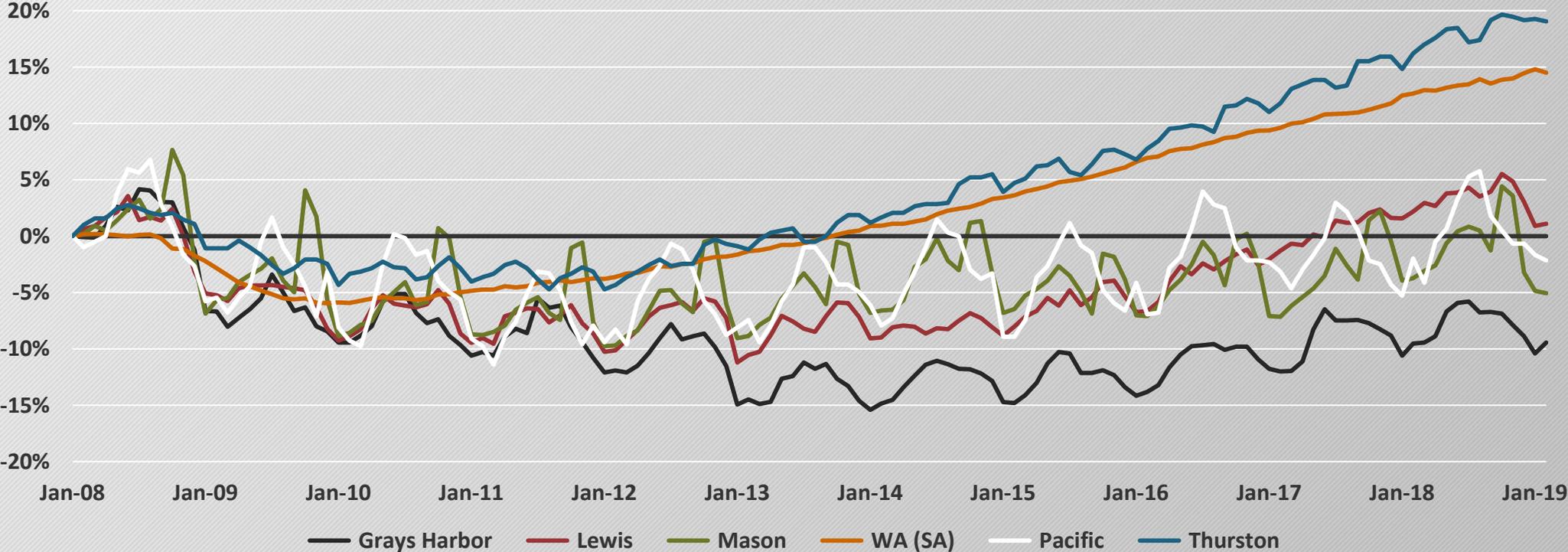
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Washington state (SA)	3,437,500	1.7%	4.5%	-0.1%
Thurston	121,200	2.5%	5.5%	-0.1%
Lewis	25,630	-1.0%	7.7%	0.1%
Grays Harbor	22,630	0.1%	8.6%	0.8%
Mason	13,520	-1.4%	8.0%	0.5%
Pacific	5,920	-0.2%	7.9%	-0.1%

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Northwest WDA



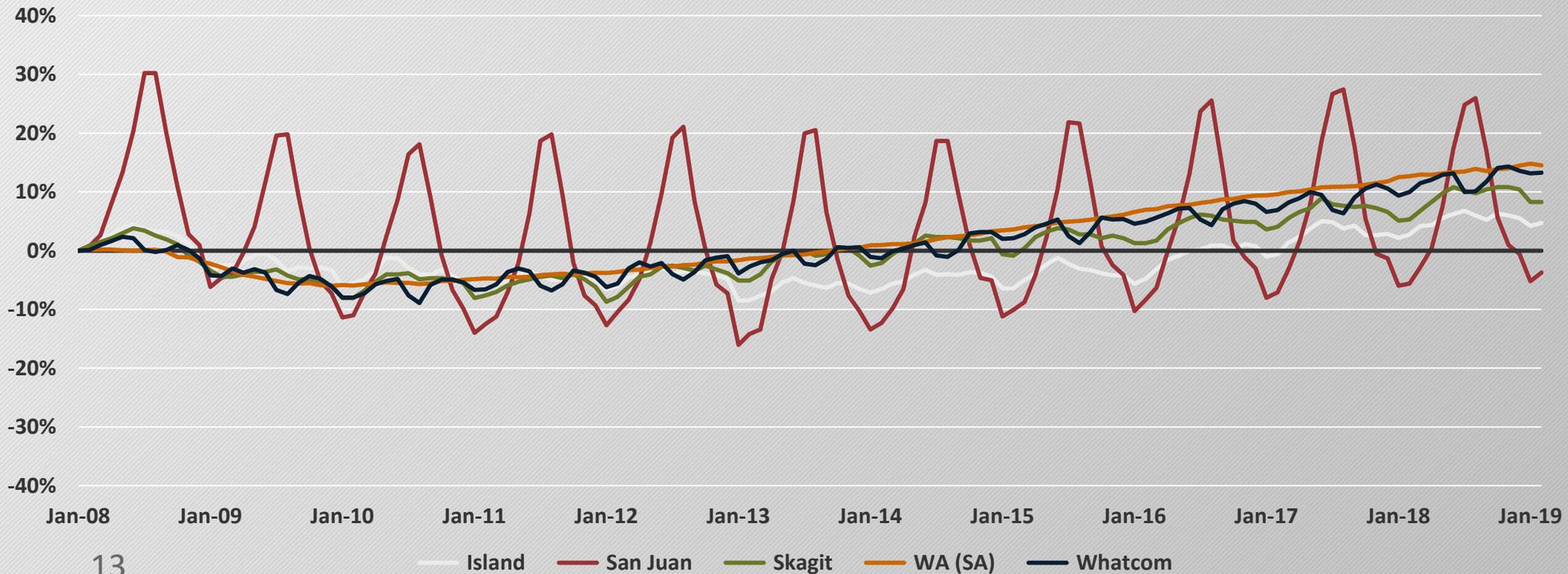
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Washington state (SA)	3,437,500	1.7%	4.5%	-0.1%
Whatcom	96,600	3.0%	5.9%	0.3%
Skagit	51,000	2.8%	6.8%	0.5%
Island	16,980	1.9%	5.8%	-0.3%
San Juan	5,160	2.0%	4.8%	-0.4%

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Northwest WDA



Percent change in jobs from before recession



Southwest WDA



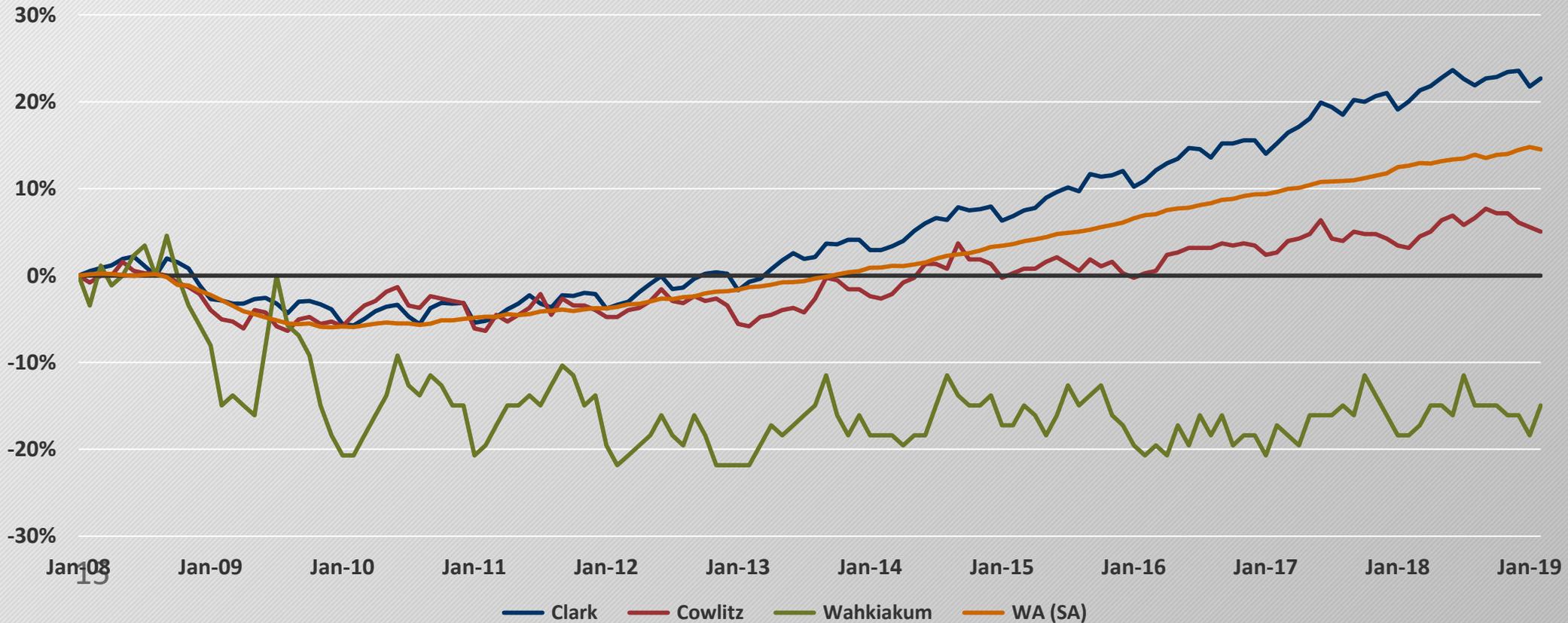
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U.S. (SA)	150,606,000	1.7%	3.8%	-0.3%
Washington state (SA)	3,437,500	1.7%	4.5%	-0.1%
Clark	167,000	2.2%	5.1%	-0.4%
Cowlitz	39,600	1.8%	6.6%	-0.4%
Wahkiakum	740	4.2%	7.5%	-0.4%

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Southwest WDA



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Puget Sound Region



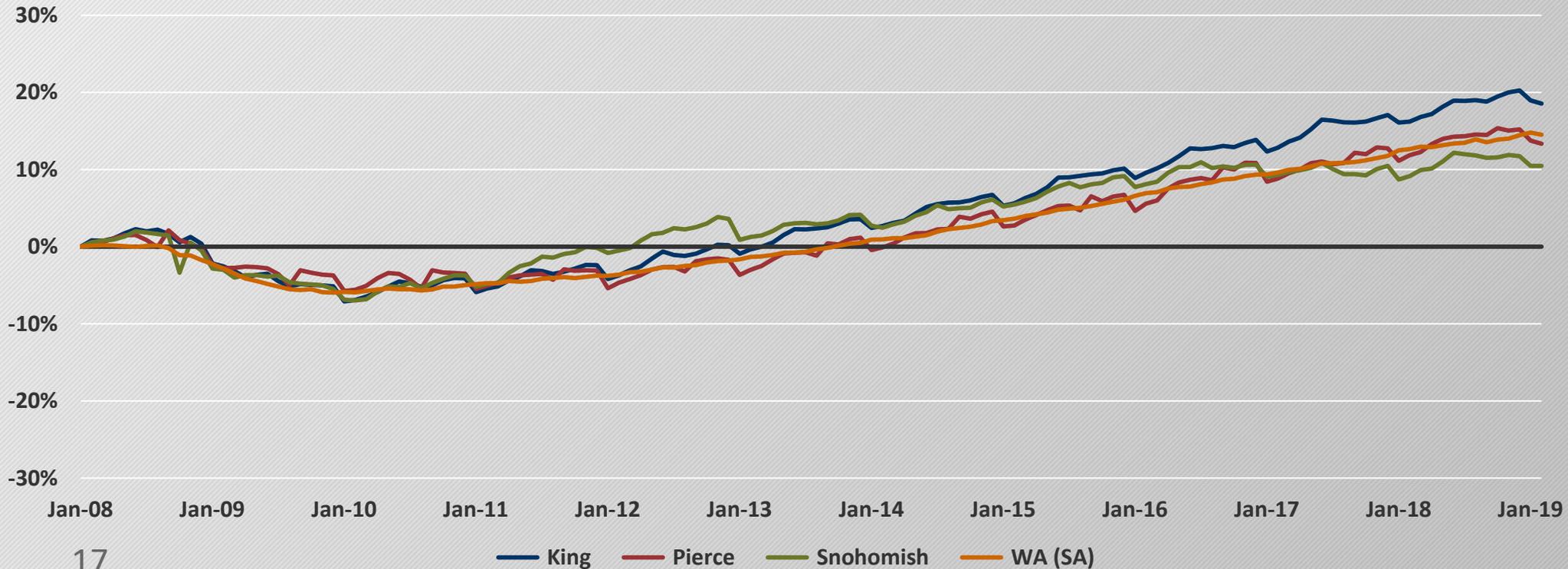
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U.S. (SA)	150,606,000	1.7%	3.8%	-0.3%
Washington state (SA)	3,437,500	1.7%	4.5%	-0.1%
King	1,438,100	2.0%	3.5%	-0.2%
Pierce	320,300	1.3%	6.0%	0.0%
Snohomish	288,800	1.2%	4.1%	0.0%

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Puget Sound Region



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North Central WDA



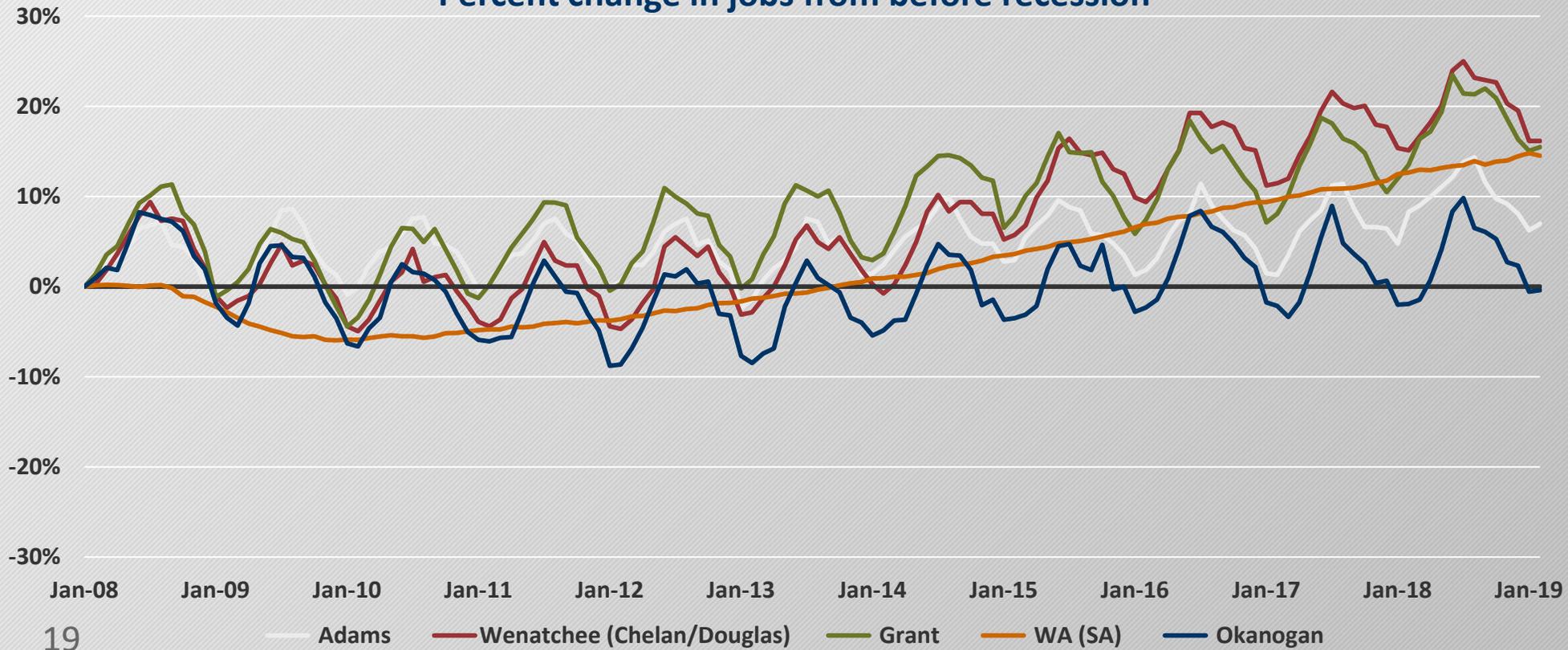
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Washington state (SA)	3,437,500	1.7%	4.5%	-0.1%
Wenatchee (Chelan-Douglas)	44,600	0.9%	7.1%	0.3%
Grant	29,900	1.7%	9.4%	0.7%
Okanogan	12,450	1.5%	9.5%	0.0%
Adams	5,820	-1.2%	8.3%	-0.6%

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South Central WDA



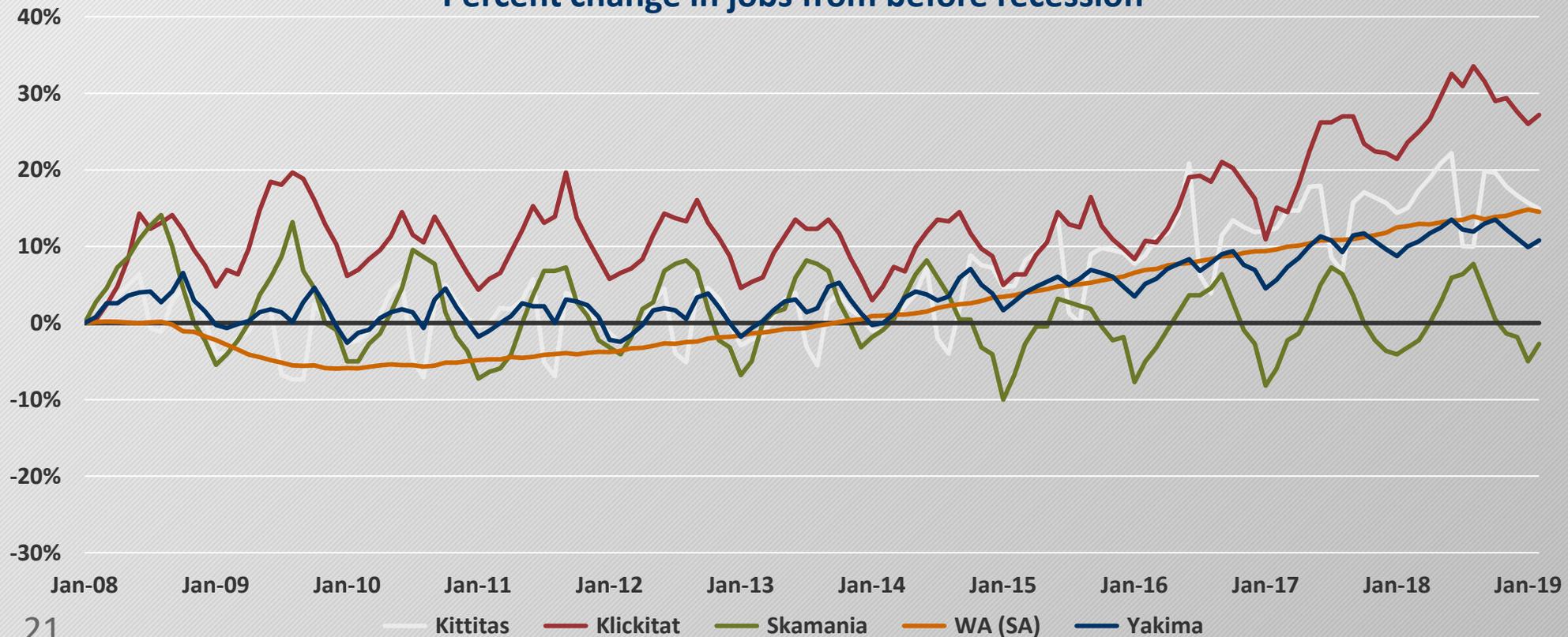
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Washington state (SA)	3,437,500	1.7%	4.5%	-0.1%
Yakima	86,200	0.7%	9.9%	1.5%
Kittitas	17,040	-0.1%	7.0%	0.3%
Klickitat	6,410	2.9%	7.9%	0.5%
Skamania	2,140	0.5%	6.8%	-0.5%

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Eastern Region



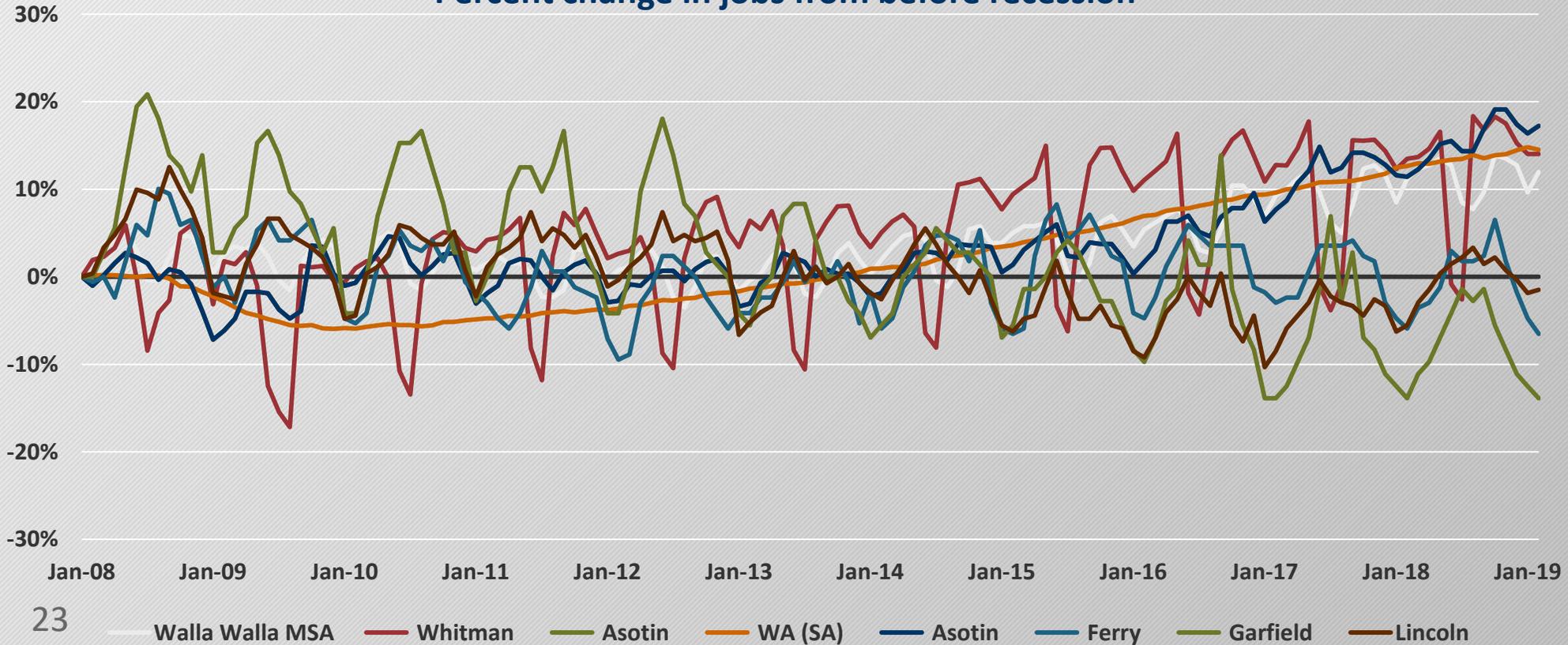
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U.S. (SA)	150,606,000	1.7%	3.8%	-0.3%
Washington state (SA)	3,437,500	1.7%	4.5%	-0.1%
Walla Walla MSA (Columbia and Walla Walla Counties)	29,000	0.7%	6.1%	-0.1%
Whitman	23,240	0.5%	4.3%	-0.5%
Asotin	6,870	5.2%	4.8%	-0.5%
Lincoln	2,670	4.3%	6.0%	-0.5%
Ferry	1,580	-0.6%	15.2%	-2.0%
Garfield	620	0.0%	7.2%	-0.2%

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Eastern Region



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Kennewick-Pasco-Richland Region



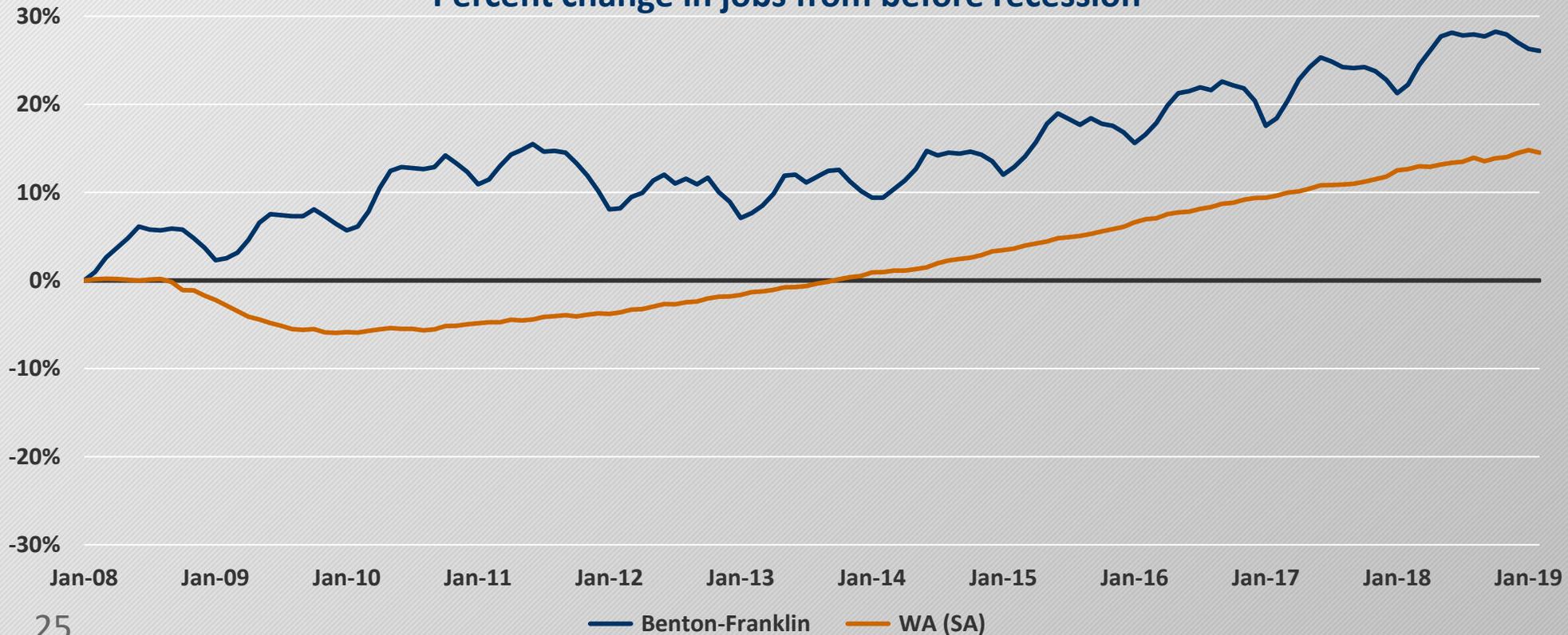
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Washington state (SA)	3,437,500	1.7%	4.5%	-0.1%
Kennewick-Pasco-Richland (Benton-Franklin)	115,600	3.1%	7.5%	0.4%

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Kennewick-Pasco-Richland Region



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Spokane Region



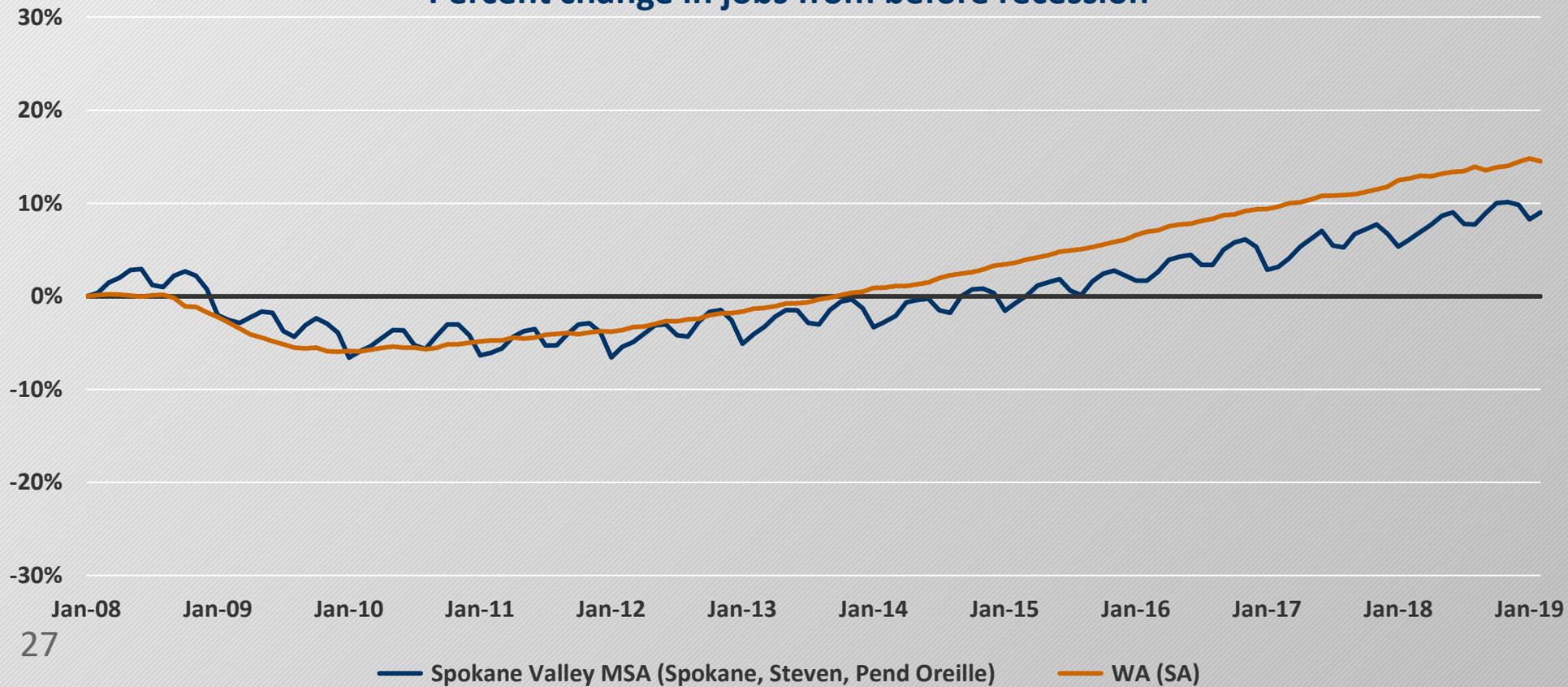
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U.S. (SA)	150,606,000	1.7%	3.8%	-0.3%
Washington state (SA)	3,437,500	1.7%	4.5%	-0.1%
Spokane-Spokane Valley MSA (Spokane, Stevens, Pend Oreille)	252,700	2.8%	6.5%	-0.4%

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Spokane Region



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Regional labor market resources



- **LMI provides regional data on a variety of subjects:**
 - Population and labor force trends
 - Industry and occupational employment trends and projections
 - Wage and benefit information
 - Career information relating to skills and education
- **Data are often available at different geographic levels**
 - e.g., State, county, metro area, workforce development region, etc.

Regional labor market resources



- **How can regional LMI data help me as a Workforce Development professional?**
 - Better understand the workers in my region, their availability and their capabilities
 - Analyze the economic trends affecting my workforce
 - Identify job opportunities, and match workers to those job opportunities
 - Enhance grant proposals
 - Support regional planning

Regional labor market resources



- **Employment data**

- Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW) - <https://www.bls.gov/cew/>
- Current Employment Statistics (CES) - <https://www.bls.gov/ces/>
- Occupational Employment Statistics - <https://www.bls.gov/oes/>

- **Wage/Income data**

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- Current Employment Statistics (CES) - <https://www.bls.gov/ces/>
- Occupational Employment Statistics - <https://www.bls.gov/oes/>
- Total Personal and Per Capita Income - <https://www.bea.gov/regional/reis>

- **Labor Force data**

- Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS) - <https://www.bls.gov/lau/>
- Current Population Survey (CPS) - <https://www.bls.gov/cps/>
- Local Employment Dynamics (LED) - <https://lehd.ces.census.gov/>

Regional labor market resources



- **Demographic data**

- Decennial Census - <https://www.census.gov/>
- American Community Survey - <https://www.census.gov/programs-surveys/acs/>
- Office of Financial Management- <https://www.ofm.wa.gov/washington-data-research/population-demographics>

- **Career Planning Data**

- Occupational and Industry Projections – <http://www.projectionscentral.com/>
- Washington State Occupational and Industry Projections
<https://esd.wa.gov/labormarketinfo/projections>
- Occupational Information Network – <https://www.onetcenter.org/>
- CareerOneStop/American Career Info Net -
<https://www.careeronestop.org/Toolkit/toolkit.aspx>



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LMI HOMEPAGE

- Labor Market Info home
- Contact an economist
- Provide website feedback
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FREQUENTLY USED LINKS

- Labor area summaries
- Learn about an occupation
- Apprenticeships
- LMI flyers and brochures
- Report library/downloads

EMPLOYMENT

- Monthly employment report
- Employment estimates (WA-QB and CES)
- Covered employment (QCEW)
- Occupations (OES)
- Projections
- Employer demand
- Agricultural employment and wages
- Find employers tool
- Supply/demand report
- Quarterly workforce indicators (QWI)

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The Labor Market and Economic Analysis (LMEA) Division is pleased to announce our new Labor Market Information Director, Mr. Steven Ross. Steven presides over the LMEA team and their products and publications.

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Monthly unemployment rates

February 2019

Washington State:
4.5% seasonally adjusted

Nationwide:
3.8% seasonally adjusted

Labor force by county snapshot
not seasonally adjusted

Recently published reports

- Monthly employment report (03/26/19) **NEW**
- Employment estimates (03/26/19) **NEW**
- Labor force (LAUS) (03/26/19) **NEW**
- February 2019 unemployment benefits report (3/19/19) **NEW**
- Weekly unemployment insurance claims (3/21/19)
- Employer demand, top 25 (3/06/19) **NEW**
- County data tables (2/12/19)
- Business employment dynamics, 2018 Q2 (2/07/19)
- 2018 Establishment size report (2/06/19)
- QCEW reports: 2018Q1 revised, 2018Q2 preliminary (2/04/19)
- 2018 Annual economic report (2/01/19)
- November 2018 UI Trust Fund Report (1/23/19)



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- State labor market information
- Regional labor market information
- Unemployment Insurance
- Research/forecasting
- Federal and state reporting
- Econometric research/analysis
- Performance measurement
- Agricultural studies
- Program evaluation and net impact analysis
- Industry/sector research
- Bureau of Labor Statistics Programs

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