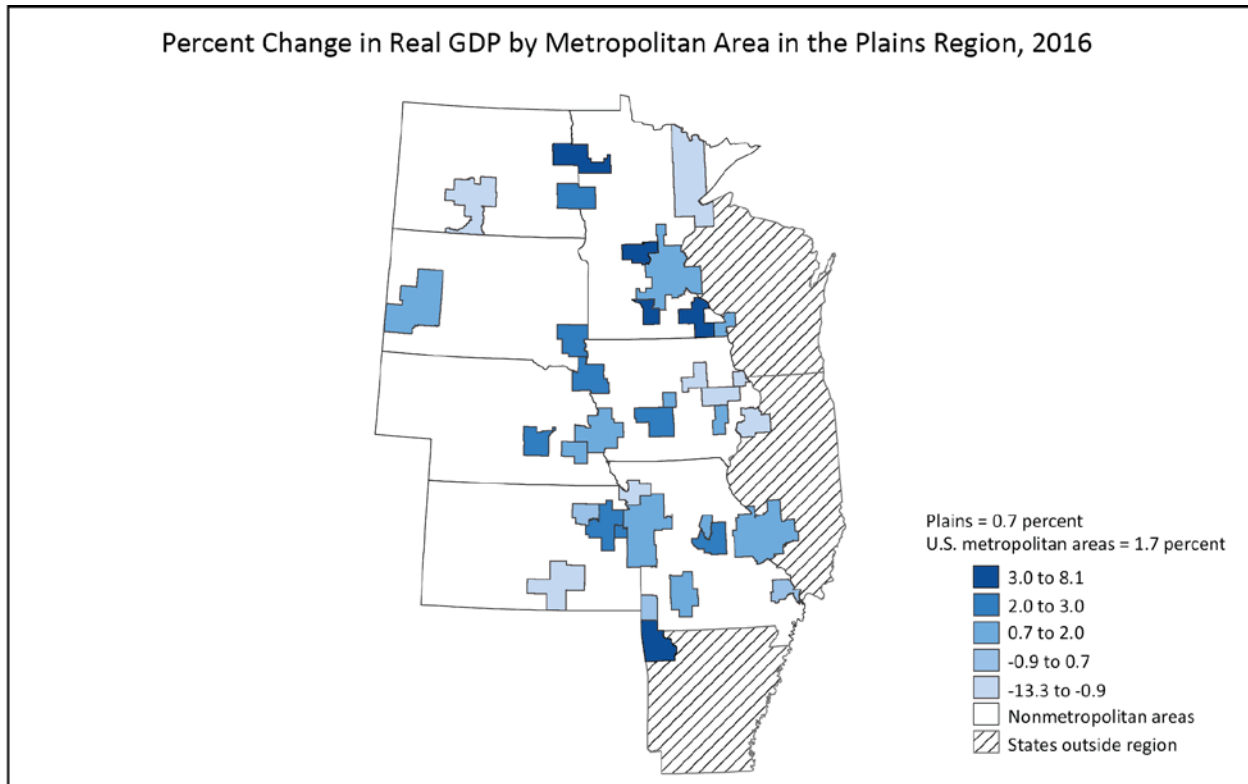


Gross Domestic Product (GDP) by Metropolitan Area, 2016

Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services Led Growth in the Plains Region



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- Real GDP expanded in 22 of the 28 MSAs wholly contained in this region. Growth in real GDP ranged from -4.1 percent to 5.3 percent in 2016, with the fastest growth occurring in St. Cloud, MN and Mankato-North Mankato, MN.
- Professional, scientific, and technical services contributed the most to growth in real GDP for the region. This region accounts for 4.9 percent of the nation's current-dollar GDP in professional, scientific, and technical services.
- Kansas City, MO-KS—the largest metropolitan area in the region, and the 31st largest in the nation—experienced growth of 1.0 percent due to growth in finance and insurance. Omaha-Council Bluffs, NE-IA—the 2nd largest metropolitan area in the region, and the 52nd largest in the nation—experienced growth of 1.1 percent due to growth in finance and insurance.