

Purchasing Managers Index

The Purchasing Managers Index produced by the Houston Institute for Supply Management (ISM) registered 58.7 in April, a robust reading that suggests the local economy is expanding and should see healthy job growth over the next three months (*Chart 6*). Area industries broadly indicated strong to moderate expansion in the May ISM report, including energy sectors, engineering and related services and construction, wholesale trade, health care, and professional and business services.



NOTE: Data may not match previously published numbers due to revisions.

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