

# HALSTEAD

### ECONOMICS The Heym Report April 2018

#### NYC Employment (thousands)

Source: NYS Dept of Labor

INDUSTRY	MAR-18	MAR-17	NET CHANGE	PERCENT CHANGE
Education and Health Services	1,004.0	968.9	35.1	3.6%
Professional and Business Services	748.5	731.8	16.7	2.3%
Construction	151.7	145.5	6.2	4.3%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	631.8	625.8	6.0	1.0%
Financial Activities	470.4	464.1	6.3	1.4%
Leisure and Hospitality	445.2	442.9	2.3	0.5%
Other Services	191.0	189.9	1.1	0.6%
Information	197.0	194.8	2.2	1.1%
Local Government	459.5	459.8	-0.3	-0.1%
State Government	43.2	43.4	-0.2	-0.5%
Federal Government	48.5	50.2	-1.7	-3.4%
Manufacturing	72.5	73.8	-1.3	-1.8%
Total	4,463.3	4,390.9	72.4	1.6%

#### **NYC Employment Rises 1.6%**

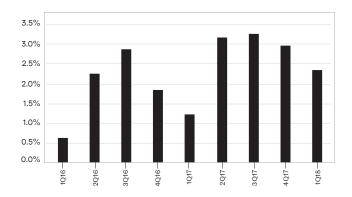
- Employment in NYC rose by 72,400 in the 12 months ending March, a 1.6% increase.
- Leading the way was the education and health services sector, which accounted for almost half the jobs created over the past year.
- Manufacturing was the only private-sector industry to lose jobs, shedding 1,300 workers.

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#### Quarterly Economic Growth

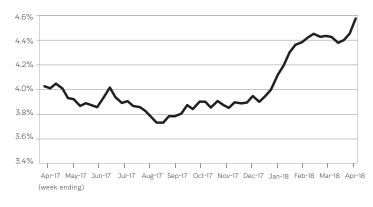
Source: BEA



#### US Economic Growth Slows to 2.3%

- The US economy grew at a 2.3% annual pace in the first quarter, down from 2.9% in 4Q17.
- While disappointing after the passage of tax reform, this figure was higher than the consensus forecast of 2.0%, and the fastest first quarter growth rate in three years.
- After a strong showing at the end of 2017, consumer spending grew at only a 1.1% pace in the first quarter.

#### Average 30-Year Mortgage Rate Source: Freddie Mac



## Mortgage Rates Rise for Third Straight Week

- Rates for 30-year mortgages rose 11 basis points to 4.58% during the week ending April 26th.
- They are now at their highest level since August of 2013.
- · One year ago, 30-year rates were averaging 4.03%.