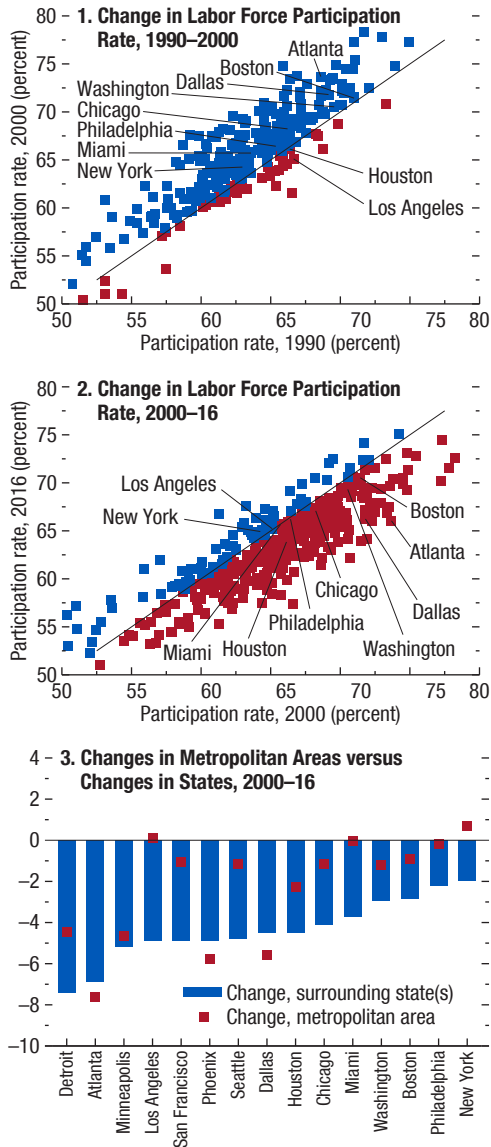


**Figure 2.2.2. Change in Labor Force Participation Rate by Metropolitan Area**



Sources: US Bureau of Labor Statistics; US Census Bureau; and IMF staff calculations.  
 Note: In panels 1 and 2, red markers display metropolitan areas with decreases in labor force participation rates. The 10 largest areas by 2016 population are labeled. In panel 3, if metropolitan areas are assigned to multiple states, blue bars show population-weighted averages of surrounding states.