

**Employment Status for the Civilian Population
Washington Metropolitan Division and the Statistical Area
2003/a/d**

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Washington, D.C. Metropolitan Division												
Civilian Labor Force	2,128,800	2,142,000	2,147,600	2,153,400	2,157,000	2,184,800	2,199,300	2,172,100	2,152,200	2,159,400	2,163,200	2,155,300
Total Employed	2,038,700	2,049,900	2,060,100	2,069,700	2,072,300	2,086,600	2,108,500	2,082,100	2,071,900	2,079,500	2,081,800	2,079,900
Total Unemployed	90,100	92,100	87,500	83,700	84,700	98,200	90,800	90,100	80,300	79,900	81,400	75,400
Unemployment Rate	4.2	4.3	4.1	3.9	3.9	4.5	4.1	4.1	3.7	3.7	3.8	3.5
Suburban Ring												
Civilian Labor Force	2,440,200	2,447,600	2,455,200	2,459,400	2,468,000	2,495,000	2,513,000	2,482,400	2,459,700	2,464,600	2,470,700	2,464,000
Total Employed	2,349,200	2,356,100	2,366,400	2,376,900	2,381,700	2,399,000	2,422,300	2,396,100	2,379,100	2,388,000	2,390,500	2,390,600
Total Unemployed	91,000	91,500	88,600	82,500	86,300	95,900	90,700	86,300	80,500	76,600	80,300	73,400
Unemployment Rate	3.7	3.7	3.6	3.4	3.5	3.8	3.6	3.5	3.3	3.1	3.3	3.0
Washington, D.C. MSA												
Civilian Labor Force	2,739,900	2,751,700	2,759,000	2,763,700	2,769,600	2,807,400	2,828,000	2,791,500	2,761,400	2,771,100	2,774,600	2,764,100
Total Employed	2,628,100	2,637,400	2,650,000	2,660,300	2,664,200	2,686,200	2,714,300	2,681,000	2,662,400	2,672,500	2,673,400	2,670,900
Total Unemployed	111,800	114,300	108,900	103,400	105,400	121,100	113,700	110,500	98,900	98,600	101,300	93,200
Unemployment Rate	4.1	4.2	3.9	3.7	3.8	4.3	4.0	4.0	3.6	3.6	3.6	3.4

a/ Data may not add to the totals due to independent rounding.

d/ Data based on 2005 benchmark.

Note: Estimates for the latest year are subject to revision early the following calendar year.

Estimated Labor Force and Employment for the Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, DC-VA-MD-WV Metropolitan Division includes The District of Columbia, Virginia Cities of Alexandria, Fairfax, Falls Church, Fredericksburg, Manassas, and Manassas Park; the Virginia Counties of Arlington, Clarke, Fairfax, Loudon, Prince William, Spotsylvania, Stafford, and Warren; the Maryland Counties of Calvert, Charles, and Prince Georges; and the West Virginia County of Jefferson.

Estimated Labor Force and Employment for the Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, DC-VA-MD-WV Metropolitan Statistical Area includes the Washington-Arlington-Alexandria Metropolitan Division and the Bethesda-Frederick-Gaithersburg Metropolitan Division which includes the Counties of Frederick and Montgomery in Maryland.

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