

**Employment Status for the Civilian Population
District of Columbia, Washington Metropolitan Division and the Statistical Area
1997/a/b**

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Seasonally Adjusted												
Washington, D.C.												
Civilian Labor Force	288,600	287,500	288,000	285,900	285,400	281,800	285,200	286,000	287,600	285,900	287,400	289,300
Total Employed	264,800	263,800	264,400	262,300	261,800	258,200	261,500	262,200	263,800	262,000	263,400	265,200
Total Unemployed	23,800	23,700	23,600	23,600	23,600	23,600	23,700	23,800	23,800	23,900	24,000	24,100
Unemployment Rate	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.3	8.4	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.4	8.4	8.3
Not Seasonally Adjusted												
Washington, D.C.												
Civilian Labor Force	284,300	284,100	289,400	282,900	282,700	285,800	297,000	291,000	285,000	284,500	284,300	287,600
Total Employed	259,000	260,000	263,400	262,200	260,500	260,600	270,700	266,300	262,100	261,400	262,900	264,400
Total Unemployed	25,400	24,100	26,000	20,700	22,200	25,200	26,300	24,700	22,900	23,000	21,400	23,100
Unemployment Rate	8.9	8.5	9.0	7.3	7.8	8.8	8.9	8.5	8.0	8.1	7.5	8.0
Washington, D.C. Metropolitan Division												
Civilian Labor Force	1,911,900	1,912,500	1,934,200	1,916,900	1,928,500	1,943,900	1,987,400	1,958,600	1,926,800	1,927,000	1,934,900	1,939,300
Total Employed	1,829,000	1,831,600	1,854,300	1,846,900	1,855,900	1,865,800	1,911,100	1,883,200	1,855,700	1,859,500	1,869,800	1,874,200
Total Unemployed	82,900	80,900	79,900	70,000	72,600	78,100	76,300	75,300	71,100	67,400	65,100	65,100
Unemployment Rate	4.3	4.2	4.1	3.7	3.8	4.0	3.8	3.8	3.7	3.5	3.4	3.4
Suburban Ring												
Civilian Labor Force	2,189,800	2,190,900	2,212,600	2,196,000	2,210,200	2,227,500	2,269,100	2,235,900	2,205,000	2,205,700	2,214,500	2,215,100
Total Employed	2,115,100	2,116,900	2,142,800	2,132,400	2,145,400	2,159,100	2,204,600	2,170,900	2,142,900	2,147,500	2,157,200	2,159,800
Total Unemployed	74,500	74,000	69,800	63,600	64,800	68,400	64,500	65,000	62,100	58,300	57,300	55,400
Unemployment Rate	3.4	3.4	3.2	2.9	2.9	3.1	2.8	2.9	2.8	2.6	2.6	2.5
Washington, D.C. MSA												
Civilian Labor Force	2,474,100	2,475,000	2,502,000	2,478,900	2,492,900	2,513,300	2,566,100	2,526,900	2,490,000	2,490,200	2,498,800	2,502,700
Total Employed	2,374,100	2,376,900	2,406,200	2,394,600	2,405,900	2,419,700	2,475,300	2,437,200	2,405,000	2,408,900	2,420,100	2,424,200
Total Unemployed	99,900	98,100	95,800	84,300	87,000	93,600	90,800	89,700	85,000	81,300	78,700	78,500
Unemployment Rate	4.0	4.0	3.8	3.4	3.5	3.7	3.5	3.6	3.4	3.3	3.2	3.1

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

b/ Data based on 2004 benchmark. Reflects 2000 Census based geography, new model controls, 2000 Census inputs, and methodological changes.

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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