

**Employment Status for the Civilian Population
District of Columbia, Washington Metropolitan Division and the Statistical Area
1998/a/b**

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Seasonally Adjusted												
Washington, D.C.												
Civilian Labor Force	290,500	291,400	292,400	295,200	295,400	294,700	292,300	293,300	293,500	294,300	295,200	297,700
Total Employed	266,300	267,300	268,200	271,100	271,400	270,800	268,600	269,800	270,200	271,300	272,500	275,300
Total Unemployed	24,100	24,200	24,200	24,100	24,000	23,900	23,700	23,500	23,300	23,000	22,700	22,400
Unemployment Rate	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.2	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.0	7.9	7.8	7.7	7.5
Not Seasonally Adjusted												
Washington, D.C.												
Civilian Labor Force	286,200	290,600	293,200	292,500	292,000	298,900	303,300	297,400	291,200	293,800	293,000	293,700
Total Employed	261,000	264,500	267,200	271,500	270,200	273,000	276,700	272,800	269,000	270,600	271,500	275,000
Total Unemployed	25,200	26,200	26,000	21,000	21,800	25,900	26,600	24,600	22,200	23,200	21,600	18,700
Unemployment Rate	8.8	9.0	8.9	7.2	7.5	8.7	8.8	8.3	7.6	7.9	7.4	6.4
Washington, D.C. Metropolitan Division												
Civilian Labor Force	1,926,300	1,940,700	1,952,500	1,945,100	1,959,400	1,979,500	2,007,000	1,982,800	1,963,300	1,968,000	1,971,800	1,977,300
Total Employed	1,855,400	1,867,900	1,883,600	1,888,800	1,899,100	1,910,600	1,938,000	1,912,200	1,899,400	1,905,300	1,913,200	1,925,500
Total Unemployed	71,000	72,800	69,000	56,200	60,300	68,900	69,000	66,500	63,800	62,700	58,600	51,800
Unemployment Rate	3.7	3.8	3.5	2.9	3.1	3.5	3.4	3.4	3.3	3.2	3.0	2.6
Suburban Ring												
Civilian Labor Force	2,205,500	2,217,200	2,229,700	2,219,900	2,239,000	2,257,100	2,287,200	2,260,900	2,244,700	2,248,200	2,253,000	2,258,600
Total Employed	2,144,800	2,154,700	2,172,800	2,172,600	2,187,400	2,200,100	2,231,500	2,206,300	2,190,400	2,196,500	2,204,100	2,215,800
Total Unemployed	60,800	62,500	56,900	47,300	51,600	57,000	55,800	54,600	54,300	51,700	48,800	42,900
Unemployment Rate	2.8	2.8	2.6	2.1	2.3	2.5	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.3	2.2	1.9
Washington, D.C. MSA												
Civilian Labor Force	2,491,700	2,507,800	2,522,900	2,512,400	2,531,000	2,556,000	2,590,500	2,558,300	2,535,900	2,542,000	2,546,000	2,552,300
Total Employed	2,405,800	2,419,200	2,440,000	2,444,100	2,457,600	2,473,100	2,508,200	2,479,100	2,459,400	2,467,100	2,475,600	2,490,800
Total Unemployed	86,000	88,700	82,900	68,300	73,400	82,900	82,400	79,200	76,500	74,900	70,400	61,600
Unemployment Rate	3.5	3.5	3.3	2.7	2.9	3.2	3.2	3.1	3.0	2.9	2.8	2.4

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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