

**Employment Status for the Civilian Population
District of Columbia,
Washington Metropolitan Division and Statistical Area
December 2015/a**

	Dec/b 2015	Nov/c 2015	Dec/d 2014	Net Change From	
				Nov/c 2015	Dec/d 2014
Seasonally Unadjusted					
Washington, D.C.					
Civilian Labor Force	388,700	390,900	382,000	-2,200	6,700
Total Employed	364,100	364,600	353,700	-500	10,400
Total Unemployed	24,600	26,300	28,400	-1,700	-3,800
Unemployment Rate	6.3	6.7	7.4	-0.4	-1.1
Washington, D.C. Metropolitan Division					
Civilian Labor Force	2,610,600	2,615,100	2,577,000	-4,500	33,600
Total Employed	2,507,900	2,506,600	2,459,700	1,300	48,200
Total Unemployed	102,700	108,500	117,300	-5,800	-14,600
Unemployment Rate	3.9	4.2	4.6	-0.3	-0.7
Suburban Ring					
Civilian Labor Force	2,902,400	2,907,900	2,857,800	-5,500	44,600
Total Employed	2,800,900	2,798,400	2,742,600	2,500	58,300
Total Unemployed	101,500	109,400	115,000	-7,900	-13,500
Unemployment Rate	3.5	3.8	4.0	-0.3	-0.5
Washington, D.C. MSA					
Civilian Labor Force	3,291,100	3,298,800	3,239,800	-7,700	51,300
Total Employed	3,165,000	3,163,000	3,096,300	2,000	68,700
Total Unemployed	126,100	135,700	143,400	-9,600	-17,300
Unemployment Rate	3.8	4.1	4.4	-0.3	-0.6

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

b/ Preliminary.

c/ Revised.

d/ Data reflect benchmark revisions.

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, Fauquier, Loudon, Prince William, Spotsylvania, Stafford, Warren, Rappahannock, and Culpeper; 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.

Estimated Labor Force and Employment for the Suburban Ring includes the Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, DC-VA-MD-WV Metropolitan Statistical Area excluding the District of Columbia

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