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Unemployment Rates Seasonally Adjusted

	July 2007	June 2007	July 2006
Michigan	7.2	7.2	6.9
Mississippi	6.7	6.0	6.7
Alaska	6.1	5.9	6.6
Ohio	5.9	5.5	6.3
District of Columbia	5.8	6.1	5.6
Kentucky	5.7	5.6	6.0
South Carolina	5.7	5.4	5.7
Arkansas	5.5	5.0	5.3
California	5.5	5.1	5.4
Massachusetts	5.3	5.2	4.8
Oregon	5.2	5.1	4.4
Wisconsin	5.1	4.9	5.0
Illinois	5.0	4.9	4.8
Louisiana	5.0	4.5	4.0
North Carolina	5.0	4.7	5.2
Rhode Island	5.0	5.0	4.6
Tennessee	4.9	4.8	4.8
Kansas	4.9	4.6	4.2
Minnesota	4.9	4.7	4.6
Missouri	4.9	4.5	5.0
Nevada	4.8	4.4	4.7
Washington	4.8	4.3	5.1
Connecticut	4.6	4.3	4.6
Indiana	4.6	4.7	5.1
Maine	4.6	4.6	4.5
Oklahoma	4.6	4.5	3.8
West Virginia	4.6	4.3	4.7
New York	4.5	4.3	4.4
Georgia	4.4	4.1	4.9
New Jersey	4.3	4.1	4.7
Pennsylvania	4.1	4.1	5.2
Texas	4.1	3.8	3.7
New Hampshire	4.0	3.8	4.0
Vermont	3.9	3.5	3.3
New Mexico	3.9	3.8	3.7
Arizona	3.9	3.8	3.3
Colorado	3.9	4.0	3.5
Iowa	3.8	3.5	4.4
Maryland	3.7	3.5	3.6
Alabama	3.7	3.4	4.1
Florida	3.7	3.2	4.2
Delaware	3.7	3.3	3.3
North Dakota	3.4	3.3	3.6
Wyoming	3.2	3.2	3.1
South Dakota	3.1	3.3	3.3
Nebraska	3.1	3.0	3.0
Virginia	3.0	3.0	3.2
Hawaii	2.7	2.4	3.1
Utah	2.7	2.6	2.9
Idaho	2.6	2.4	2.4
Montana	2.3	2.5	3.4

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, D.C. Department of Employment Services, Office of Labor Market Research and Information

National Unemployment Rates

The July 2007 national unemployment rate of 4.9 percent (not seasonally adjusted) was 0.2 percent higher than the rate in June 2007 and 0.1 percent lower than the rate in July 2006.

The seasonally adjusted national unemployment rate in July 2007 was 4.6 percent; up 0.1 percent from the June 2007 rate and 0.2 percent lower than the July 2006, seasonally adjusted, national unemployment rate.

State Unemployment (Seasonally Adjusted)

In July, the District of Columbia had the sixth highest unemployment rate at 5.7 percent. Michigan recorded the highest jobless rate at 7.2 percent followed by Mississippi, at 6.7 percent, Alaska, at 6.1 percent, South Carolina, at 5.9 percent, and Ohio, at 5.8 percent. Idaho, at 2.3 percent, posted the lowest unemployment rate, followed by Hawaii, at 2.6 percent, and Montana and Utah, at 2.7 percent each. Fifteen additional states recorded rates of 4.0 percent or below including Virginia, at 3.1 percent and Maryland, at 4.0 percent.

Over the month, unemployment rates were higher in the District of Columbia and 39 states, lower in 5 states, and unchanged in 6 states. Mississippi registered the largest rate increase (up 0.7 percentage point), followed by Arkansas, New Mexico, Oklahoma, and West Virginia (up 0.5 percentage point each). The largest rate decreases were in Ohio (down 0.3 percentage point) and Idaho and North Dakota (down 0.2 percentage point).

Compared to a year earlier, unemployment rates were lower in the District of Columbia and 19 states, higher in 27 states and unchanged in 4 states. Idaho and Tennessee (down 1.1 percentage points each) recorded the largest over-the-year unemployment rate decrease followed by Colorado (down 0.6 percentage point) and Alaska, Indiana, New Mexico and Texas (down 0.5 percentage point each). The largest over-the-year unemployment rate increases were in Oklahoma (up 1.0 percentage point), Illinois and Minnesota (up 0.8 percentage point each), and Nevada (up 0.7 percentage point).

Unemployment Rates (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

	May 07	Apr. 07	May 06 a
U.S.A.	4.9	4.7	5.0
Washington, DC MSA	3.3	3.3	3.5
Washington, DC MD	3.3	3.3	3.5
D.C.	6.0	5.9	6.6

D.C. Ward	1	5.1	5.1	5.7
	2	2.9	2.9	3.2
	3	1.6	1.5	1.7
	4	4.9	4.8	5.4
	5	8.1	8.0	8.9
	6	5.9	5.8	6.5
	7	10.5	10.3	11.5
	8	16.0	15.7	17.5

Unemployment Rates (Seasonally Adjusted)

U.S.A.	4.6	4.5	4.8
D.C.	5.7	5.6	6.0

a: Reflecting 2006 benchmark revisions

Note: Estimates for the latest year are subject to revision early the following calendar year. Ward laborforce statistics based on Census 2000 household data.

District of Columbia's Unemployment Rate

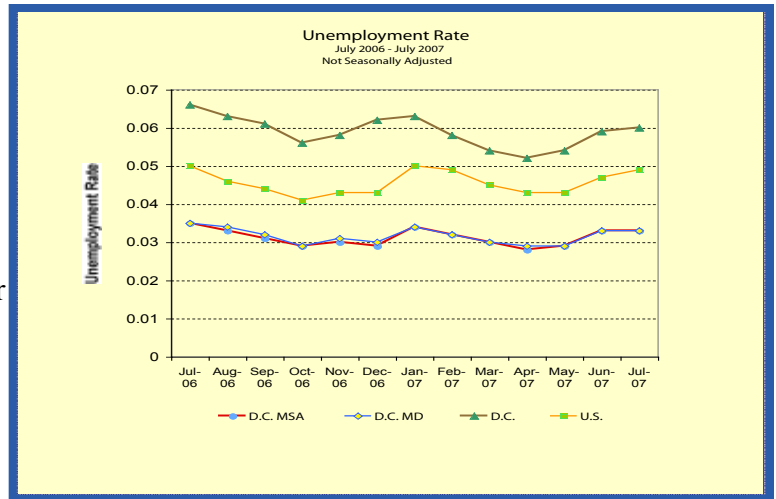
The District of Columbia's seasonally adjusted July 2007 unemployment rate was 5.7 percent, up 0.1 percent from the June 2007 rate. The July 2007 rate was 0.3 percent lower than the rate in July 2006.

The not seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for July 2007 was 6.0 percent; up 0.1 percent from the rate in June 2007 and 0.6 percent lower than the July 2006 rate.



District of Columbia's Civilian Labor Force, Employment and Unemployment

Over the month, the District's civilian labor force increased by 3,700 to 323,400. A total of 303,900 residents were employed and 19,400 were unemployed in July 2007. A 3,100 increase in the number of employed residents along with a 500 increase in the number of unemployed residents resulted in the 0.1 percent increase in the not seasonally adjusted unemployment rate.



From July 2006 to July 2007, the District's civilian labor force decreased by 3,100 as the number of employed residents fell by 900 and the number of unemployed residents decreased by 2,300. The District's July 2007 unemployment rate was 0.6 percent lower than the rate in July 2006.

Unemployment Insurance Benefit Statistics

In July 2007, initial claims filed for Unemployment Insurance (UI) in the District of Columbia rose 6.7 percent from the June 2007 level of 1,454 to 1,552. Over the year, UI initial claims were up 2.6 percent from the 1,513 level in July 2006. The July 2007 initial claims for all programs were up from June 2007 by 108 to 1,606 and higher by 56 or 3.6 percent from the July 2006 level of 1,550.

For the all programs total, most other benefit statistics were higher in July 2007 compared to June 2007. Weeks claimed rose 29.3 percent to 20,717, weeks compensated were up 24 percent to 31,946, benefits paid increased 23.6 percent to \$9,003,897, while the average weekly benefit amount (A.W.B.A.) fell 0.3 percent to \$281.85. First payments were up 12.8 percent to 1,662 and final payments increased 22.2 percent to 805.



Over the year, all other benefit statistics were higher in July 2007 compared to July 2006. Weeks claimed were up 6.4 percent and weeks compensated rose 28.1 percent. Benefits paid increased by 30.8 percent and the average weekly benefit amount rose 2.1 percent from the \$276.11 July 2006 amount. First payments were up 9.9 percent and final payments were 9.2 percent higher.

Washington Metropolitan Division Civilian Labor Force Employment and Unemployment Rate

The civilian labor force in the Washington Metropolitan Division increased by 21,600 in July 2007 as employment rose by 20,200 and the number unemployed increased by 1,400. The unemployment rate in the Washington Metropolitan Division, at 3.3 percent in July, was equal to the rate in June 2007.

Over the last twelve months, the number of employed residents in the Washington Metropolitan Division rose by 24,600. With 3,700 fewer unemployed division residents, the division civilian labor force rose by 20,900. The metropolitan division's July 2007 unemployment rate was down 0.2 percent from the rate in July 2006.

Washington Metropolitan Area Civilian Labor Force Employment and Unemployment Rate

The civilian labor force in the suburban ring of communities surrounding the District of Columbia increased by 28,200 in July 2007 as employment rose by 26,500 and the number unemployed increased by 1,700. The unemployment rate in the suburban ring, at 3.0 percent in July, was unchanged from the rate in June 2007.

Over the last twelve months, the number of employed residents in the suburban ring rose by 29,900. With 2,900 fewer unemployed suburban residents, the suburban civilian labor force rose by 27,000. The suburban ring's July 2007

Employment Status for the Civilian Population District of Columbia, Washington Metropolitan Division and Statistical Area May 2007/a

	July 2007	June 2007	July/b 2006	June/b 2006	Net Change From	
					June 2007	July 2006
Seasonally Adjusted						
Washington, D.C.						
Civilian Labor Force	313,000	315,600	315,600	317,800	-2,600	-2,600
Total Employed	295,200	297,900	296,800	299,100	-2,700	-1,600
Total Unemployed	17,800	17,700	18,800	18,700	100	-1,000
Unemployment Rate	5.7	5.6	6.0	5.9	0.1	-0.3
Not Seasonally Adjusted						
Washington, D.C.						
Civilian Labor Force	323,400	319,700	326,500	321,300	3,700	-3,100
Total Employed	303,900	300,800	304,800	301,500	3,100	-900
Total Unemployed	19,400	18,900	21,700	19,700	500	-2,300
Unemployment Rate	6.0	5.9	6.6	6.1	0.1	-0.6
Washington, D.C. Metropolitan Division						
Civilian Labor Force	2,382,300	2,360,700	2,361,400	2,335,900	21,600	20,900
Total Employed	2,303,200	2,283,000	2,278,600	2,256,600	20,200	24,600
Total Unemployed	79,100	77,700	82,800	79,200	1,400	-3,700
Unemployment Rate	3.3	3.3	3.5	3.4	0.0	-0.2
Suburban Ring						
Civilian Labor Force	2,718,500	2,690,300	2,691,500	2,663,300	28,200	27,000
Total Employed	2,637,300	2,610,800	2,607,400	2,583,000	26,500	29,900
Total Unemployed	81,200	79,500	84,100	80,400	1,700	-2,900
Unemployment Rate	3.0	3.0	3.1	3.0	0.0	-0.1
Washington, D.C. MSA						
Civilian Labor Force	3,041,900	3,010,000	3,018,000	2,984,600	31,900	23,900
Total Employed	2,941,200	2,911,600	2,912,200	2,884,500	29,600	29,000
Total Unemployed	100,600	98,400	105,800	100,100	2,200	-5,200
Unemployment Rate	3.3	3.3	3.5	3.4	0.0	-0.2

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

b/ Data reflect 2006 benchmark revisions.

na: Not available. Estimates for 2005 based on the 2006 benchmark revisions will not be available until May 2007.

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, Fauquier, 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.

unemployment rate was down 0.1 percent from the rate in July 2006.

For the Washington Metropolitan Statistical Area, the number of persons in the civilian labor force increased by 31,900 in July 2007. The number of employed residents in the metropolitan area rose by 29,600 and the number of unemployed residents increased by 2,200. The metropolitan area's unemployment rate at 3.3 percent in July 2007 was unchanged from the rate in June 2007.

Compared to July 2006, the metropolitan area's civilian labor force rose by 23,900. Employment increased by 29,000 and unemployment fell by 5,200. The Washington Metropolitan Area's July 2007 unemployment rate was down 0.2 percent from the July 2006 rate of 3.5 percent



Selected Unemployment Insurance Benefit Statistics (Regular Programs) District of Columbia Jul 2007

1,552	1,454	1,513	6.7	2.6
19,383	14,879	18,777	30.3	3.2
29,695	23,811	23,890	24.7	24.3
\$8,294,465	\$6,668,124	\$6,543,951	24.4	26.8
\$279.32	\$280.04	\$273.92	-0.3	2.0
1,594	1,415	1,474	12.7	8.1
741	644	707	15.1	4.8
n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
47	33	32	42.4	46.9
1,182	1,015	604	16.5	95.7
2,116	1,847	971	14.6	117.9
\$663,986	\$579,507	\$315,227	14.6	110.6
\$313.79	\$313.76	\$324.64	0.0	-3.3
63	47	38	34.0	65.8
59	14	28	321.4	110.7
n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
7	11	5	-36.4	40.0
152	131	98	16.0	55.1
135	115	75	17.4	80.0
\$45,446	\$38,915	\$25,969	16.8	75.0
\$336.64	\$338.39	\$346.25	-0.5	-2.8
5	11	0	-54.5	
5	1	2	400.0	150.0
n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
1,606	1,498	1,550	7.2	3.6
20,717	16,025	19,479	29.3	6.4
31,946	25,773	24,936	24.0	28.1
\$9,003,897	\$7,286,546	\$6,885,147	23.6	30.8
\$281.85	\$282.72	\$276.11	-0.3	2.1
1,662	1,473	1,512	12.8	9.9
805	659	737	22.2	9.2
n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a

a/ Includes joint claims with Unemployment Compensation for Federal Employees (UCFE) and/or Unemployment Compensation for Ex-Servicemen (UCX).

b/ Includes joint claims with Unemployment Compensation of Ex-Servicemen (UCX).

c/ No joint claims.

District of Columbia Job Growth

The number of District wage and salary jobs decreased by 2,500 in May 2007. The private sector decreased by 2,800 jobs while the public sector added 300 jobs. In the private sector, educational and health services declined by 4,200 jobs and information lost 100 while professional and business services gained 600 jobs, natural resources and construction and leisure and hospitality added 300 jobs each, and trade, transportation and utilities, financial activities and other services added 100 jobs each. Manufacturing was unchanged. In the public sector, the Federal Government added 300 jobs while the District Government and transportation was unchanged.

In the last twelve months, the District gained a total of 10,800 jobs. The private sector added 9,900 jobs and the public sector gained 900 jobs. The private sector growth occurred in professional and business services (up by 6,400 jobs), other services (up by 1,000 jobs), leisure and hospitality (up by 900 jobs), financial activities (up by 800 jobs), educational and health services (up by 500 jobs), information (up by 400 jobs), and natural resources and construction (up by 100 jobs). Trade, transportation and utilities were unchanged while manufacturing lost 200 jobs. In the public sector, the Federal Government gained 500 job and the District Government and transportation added 200 jobs each.



Wage and Salary Employment by Industry and Place of Work a/ (In Thousands)

INDUSTRY	District of Columbia			Metropolitan Division		
	July b/ 2007	June c/ 2007	July 2006	July b/ 2007	June c/ 2007	July 2006
TOTAL	707.2	700.4	695.8	2,440.5	2,450.2	2,399.2
Total Private Sector	462.6	466.4	453.0	1,892.7	1,899.6	1,856.0
Total Government	244.6	234.0	242.8	547.8	550.6	543.2
Total Goods Producing	14.8	14.6	14.8	198.1	197.6	196.6
Manufacturing	1.6	1.7	1.7	43.7	44.0	43.9
Durable Goods	na	na	na	27.0	27.2	26.6
Non-Durable Goods	na	na	na	16.7	16.8	17.3
Natural Resources, Mining & Construction	13.2	12.9	13.1	154.4	153.6	152.7
Construction of Buildings	na	na	na	36.8	36.5	35.7
Heavy and Civil Engineering Construction	na	na	na	18.3	18.4	18.5
Specialty Trade Contractors	na	na	na	98.3	97.7	97.6
Total Service Providing	692.4	685.8	681.0	2,242.4	2,252.6	2,202.6
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	27.6	28.1	27.5	324.8	326.8	319.2
Wholesale Trade	4.7	4.8	4.6	55.0	55.3	54.4
Retail Trade	17.8	18.1	17.6	212.7	213.7	207.7
Motor Vehicle and Parts Dealers	na	na	na	24.9	25.0	25.4
Building Material and Garden Equipment and Supplies Dealers	na	na	na	17.7	18.0	17.9
Food & Beverage Stores	na	na	na	39.3	38.8	37.4
Clothing and Clothing Accessories Stores	na	na	na	25.5	25.3	24.0
Department Stores	na	na	na	24.4	24.4	24.2
Transportation, Warehousing & Utilities	5.1	5.2	5.3	57.1	57.8	57.1
Utilities	na	na	na	7.5	7.5	7.4
Transportation & Warehousing	na	na	na	49.6	50.3	49.7
Air Transportation	na	na	na	12.1	11.9	12.2
Information	23.0	22.8	22.7	81.3	81.0	81.9
Publishing industries (except Internet)	8.8	8.7	8.7	na	na	na
Financial Activities	30.6	30.4	29.7	119.9	119.6	117.3
Finance and insurance	18.9	18.8	18.3	77.5	77.5	75.5
Credit Intermediation and Related Activities	9.3	9.1	8.7	45.8	45.7	44.1
Depository Credit Intermediation	na	na	na	19.7	19.5	19.0
Nondepository Credit Intermediation	na	na	na	19.8	19.9	19.9
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	11.7	11.6	11.4	42.4	42.1	41.8
Professional and Business Services	161.3	163.1	155.1	564.7	565.4	547.3
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	107.1	107.5	104.8	373.9	373.5	363.9
Legal Services	37.4	37.5	36.2	49.8	50.1	49.1
Accounting, Tax Preparation, Bookkeeping, & Payroll Services	na	na	na	17.9	18.3	18.4
Architectural, Engineering, & Related Services	na	na	na	49.0	49.2	48.8
Computer Systems Design and Related Services	na	na	na	127.8	127.2	122.7
Management, Scientific, and Technical Consulting Services	na	na	na	66.6	66.2	62.7
Scientific Research and Development Services	15.6	15.5	15.7	na	na	na
Management of Companies and Enterprises	na	na	na	32.7	32.4	32.0
Administrative & Support & Waste Management & Remediation Services	52.8	54.2	48.9	158.1	159.5	151.4

Wage and Salary Employment by Industry and Place of Work a/ (In Thousands) continued

Employment Services	12.2	12.7	11.9	30.8	31.2	30.7
Investigation and Security Services	8.6	8.7	8.7	na	na	na
Services to Buildings and Dwellings	13.1	13.1	12.4	52.6	53.3	51.3
Educational and Health Services	88.2	89.1	88.0	240.9	245.9	237.0
Educational Services	35.5	36.8	35.5	63.7	68.9	63.1
Colleges, Universities, and Professional Schools	25.5	25.5	25.5	34.2	38.0	34.5
Health Care and Social Assistance	52.7	52.3	52.5	177.2	177.0	173.9
Ambulatory Health Care Services	10.7	10.7	10.5	62.5	62.2	60.4
Offices of Physicians	na	na	na	25.6	25.7	25.3
Outpatient Care Centers	na	na	na	8.0	8.0	7.7
Hospitals	24.8	24.3	24.5	56.0	55.5	55.6
Nursing and Residential Care Facilities	6.7	6.7	6.8	27.7	27.7	26.7
Social Assistance	na	na	na	31.0	31.6	31.2
Child Day Care Services	na	na	na	14.7	15.1	14.2

Wage and Salary Employment by Industry and Place of Work a/ (In Thousands)

INDUSTRY	District of Columbia			Metropolitan Division		
	July b/ 2007	June c/ 2007	July 2006	July b/ 2007	June c/ 2007	July 2006
Leisure and Hospitality	55.3	56.6	54.5	214.5	215.3	210.9
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	5.9	6.2	5.9	33.0	32.5	31.9
Accommodation and Food Services	49.4	50.4	48.6	181.5	182.8	179.0
Accommodation	15.6	15.7	15.5	35.6	35.8	35.6
Food Services and Drinking Places	33.8	34.7	33.1	145.9	147.0	143.4
Full-Service Restaurants	17.9	18.2	17.2	76.2	76.5	74.7
Limited-Service Eating Places	9.9	10.2	9.7	57.5	57.6	55.9
Special Food Services	4.7	4.8	5.0	11.7	12.0	11.1
Other Services	61.8	61.7	60.7	148.5	148.0	145.8
Personal and Laundry Services	na	na	na	26.8	26.6	26.3
Religious, Grantmaking, Civic, Professional, & Similar Organizations	54.5	54.3	53.8	105.3	104.6	103.2
Business, Professional, Labor, Political, & Similar Organizations	27.0	27.1	27.0	43.7	43.5	43.3
Government	244.6	234.0	242.8	547.8	550.6	543.2
Federal Government	195.2	194.5	195.3	301.2	299.9	301.8
State Government & Local Government / Public Transportation	49.4	39.5	47.5	na	na	na
State Government	44.3	34.4	42.6	80.3	72.1	77.8
Local Government	na	na	na	166.3	178.6	163.6
Public Transportation	5.1	5.1	4.9	na	na	na

a/ Data may not equal totals due to independent rounding. Data reflect 2006 benchmark revisions.

b/ Preliminary.

c/ Revised.

Data includes all full and part-time employees who worked or received pay for any part of pay period which includes the 12th of the month.

Proprietors, self-employed, unpaid family workers, and private household workers are excluded.

The Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, DC-VA-MD-WV Metropolitan Division includes the District of Columbia; Calvert County, MD; Charles County, MD; Prince George's County, MD; Arlington County, VA; Clarke County, VA;

Fairfax County, VA; Fauquier County, VA; Loudoun County, VA; Prince William County, VA; Spotsylvania County, VA; Stafford County, VA; Warren County, VA; Alexandria city, VA; Fairfax city, VA; Falls Church city, VA;

Fredericksburg city, VA; Manassas city, VA; Manassas Park city, VA; and Jefferson County, WV

SOURCE: Prepared by the Department of Employment Services Office of Labor Market Research and Information in cooperation with the Virginia Employment Commission, the Maryland Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation, the West Virginia Bureau of Employment Programs and the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Washington Metropolitan Division Job Growth

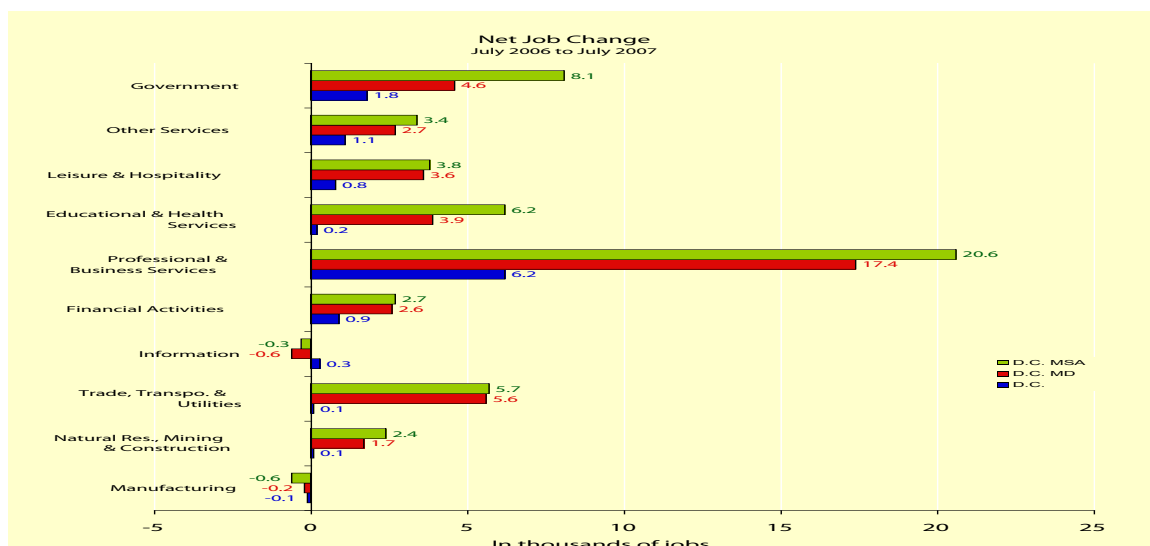
Total wage and salary employment in the Washington Metropolitan Division decreased over the month in July 2007 by 9,700. The private sector decreased by 6,900 jobs and the public sector lost 2,800 jobs. Within the private sector, losses were registered in educational and health services (down by 5,000 jobs), trade, transportation, and utilities (down by 2,000 jobs), leisure and hospitality (down by 800 jobs), professional and business services (down by 700 jobs), and manufacturing (down by 300 jobs). Gains were recorded in natural resources, mining and construction (up by 800 jobs), other services (up by 500 jobs), and information and financial activities (up by 300 jobs each). In the public sector, the federal government added 1,300 jobs; state government gained 8,200 jobs; and local government lost 12,300 jobs.

During the past twelve months, the Washington Metropolitan Division gained 41,300 jobs. The private sector added 36,700 jobs and the public sector gained 4,600 jobs. Private sector gains were registered in professional and business services (up by 17,400 jobs), trade, transportation, and utilities (up by 5,600 jobs), educational and health services (up by 3,900 jobs), leisure and hospitality (up by 3,600 jobs), other services (up by 2,700 jobs), financial activities (up by 2,600 jobs), and natural resources, mining and construction (up by 1,700 jobs). Losses were registered in information (down by 600 jobs) and manufacturing (down by 200 jobs). In the public sector, local government gained 2,700 jobs, state government added 2,500 jobs, and the federal government lost 600 jobs.

Washington Metropolitan Statistical Area Job Growth

Total wage and salary employment in the Washington Metropolitan Statistical Area decreased over the month in July 2007 by 10,900. The private sector decreased by 6,300 jobs and the public sector lost 4,600 jobs. Within the private sector, losses were registered in educational and health services (down by 5,100 jobs), trade, transportation, and utilities (down by 2,100 jobs), leisure and hospitality (down by 700 jobs), professional and business services (down by 600 jobs), and manufacturing (down by 400 jobs). Gains were noted in natural resources, mining and construction (up by 1,200 jobs), information and other services (up by 500 jobs each), and financial activities (up by 400 jobs). In the public sector, the federal government gained 1,600 jobs.

During the past twelve months, the Washington Metropolitan Statistical Area gained 52,000 jobs. The private sector added 43,900 jobs and the public sector gained 8,100 jobs. Private sector gains were registered in professional and business services (up by 20,600 jobs), educational and health services (up by 6,200 jobs), trade, transportation, and utilities (up by 5,700 jobs), leisure and hospitality (up by 3,800 jobs), other services (up by 3,400 jobs), financial activities (up by 2,700 jobs), and natural resources, mining and construction (up by 2,400 jobs). Private sector losses were noted in manufacturing (down by 600 jobs) and information (down by 300 jobs). In government, the federal government lost 300 jobs over the year.



Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, DC-VA-MD-WV Metropolitan Statistical Area

Wage and Salary Employment by Industry and Place of Work a/ (In Thousands)

INDUSTRY	CHANGE FROM				
	July b/ 2007	June c/ 2007	July 2006	June 2007	July 2006
TOTAL	3030.2	3041.1	2978.2	-10.9	52.0
Total Private Sector	2389.1	2395.4	2345.2	-6.3	43.9
Total Government	641.1	645.7	633.0	-4.6	8.1
Total Goods Producing	262.6	261.8	260.8	0.8	1.8
Manufacturing	63.5	63.9	64.1	-0.4	-0.6
Natural Resources, Mining & Construction	199.1	197.9	196.7	1.2	2.4
Specialty Trade Contractors	124.7	124.2	123.3	0.5	1.4
Total Service Providing	2767.6	2779.3	2717.4	-11.7	50.2
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	408.8	410.9	403.1	-2.1	5.7
Wholesale Trade	70.8	71.1	70.3	-0.3	0.5
Retail Trade	273.4	274.6	268.5	-1.2	4.9
Food & Beverage Stores	52.4	51.7	50.1	0.7	2.3
Department Stores	31.7	31.7	31.2	0.0	0.5
Transportation, Warehousing & Utilities	64.6	65.2	64.3	-0.6	0.3
Information	98.9	98.4	99.2	0.5	-0.3
Financial Activities	165.5	165.1	162.8	0.4	2.7
Finance and insurance	108.1	108.1	106.6	0.0	1.5
Credit Intermediation and Related Activities	60.9	60.8	58.7	0.1	2.2
Professional and Business Services	694.6	695.2	674.0	-0.6	20.6
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	452.3	451.8	441.1	0.5	11.2
Computer Systems Design and Related Services	148.9	148.3	143.8	0.6	5.1
Administrative & Support & Waste Management & Remediation Services	201.9	203.1	193.4	-1.2	8.5
Employment Services	45.3	45.7	44.1	-0.4	1.2
Educational and Health Services	313.2	318.3	307.0	-5.1	6.2
Health Care and Social Assistance	238.3	238.2	233.2	0.1	5.1
Ambulatory Health Care Services	88.0	87.6	85.2	0.4	2.8
Offices of Physicians	36.4	36.5	35.8	-0.1	0.6
Hospitals	68.5	68.0	67.9	0.5	0.6
Leisure and Hospitality	265.1	265.8	261.3	-0.7	3.8
Accommodation and Food Services	221.9	223.4	218.6	-1.5	3.3
Food Services and Drinking Places	182.1	183.5	178.5	-1.4	3.6
Other Services	180.4	179.9	177.0	0.5	3.4
Government	641.1	645.7	633.0	-4.6	8.1
Federal Government	345.1	343.5	345.4	1.6	-0.3

a/ Data may not equal totals due to independent rounding. Data reflect 2005 benchmark revisions. • b/ Preliminary. • c/ Revised.

Data includes all full and part-time employees who worked or received pay for any part of pay period which includes the 12th of the month. Proprietors, self-employed, unpaid family workers, and private household workers are excluded. The Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, DC-VA-MD-WV Metropolitan Statistical Area includes The Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, DC-VA-MD-WV Metropolitan Division and the Bethesda-Frederick-Gaithersburg, MD Metropolitan Division. The Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, DC-VA-MD-WV Metropolitan Division includes the District of Columbia; Calvert County, MD; Charles County, MD; Prince George's County, MD; Arlington County, VA; Clarke County, VA; Fairfax County, VA; Fauquier County, VA; The Bethesda-Frederick-Gaithersburg, MD Metropolitan Division includes the counties of Frederick and Montgomery in Maryland.

SOURCE: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. Table prepared by the Department of Employment Services Office of Labor Market Research and Information.

D.C. Metro Division Average Hours and Earnings (of production workers in manufacturing)

In July 2007, average weekly earnings of manufacturing production workers in the Washington metropolitan division decreased by \$10.91 over the month to \$676.86. Declines in both average weekly hours and average hourly earnings were responsible for the decrease. Average weekly hours were down 0.4 hour to 38.7 and average hourly earnings were down ten cents to \$17.49.

From July 2006 to July 2007, average weekly earnings decreased by 20 cents. This decrease was due to a 0.1 hour decrease in average weekly hours.

D.C. Metro Division Average Hours & Earnings (of Production Workers in Manufacturing)

	July '07 p	June '07 r	July '06 a
Weekly Earnings	\$676.86	\$687.77	\$677.06
Weekly Hours	38.7	39.1	38.8
Hourly Earnings	\$17.49	\$17.59	\$17.45

p: Preliminary

r: Revised

a: Reflecting 2006 benchmark revisions

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