

**Employment Status for the Civilian Population
District of Columbia,
Washington Metropolitan Division and Statistical Area
April 2012/a**

	Net Change From				
	Apr/ b 2012	Mar/ d 2012	Apr/ d 2011	Mar/ d 2012	Apr/ d 2011
Seasonally Unadjusted					
Washington, D.C.					
Civilian Labor Force	346,100	347,700	342,400	-1,600	3,700
Total Employed	317,500	313,400	310,200	4,100	7,300
Total Unemployed	28,700	34,300	32,200	-5,600	-3,500
Unemployment Rate	8.3	9.9	9.4	-1.6	-1.1
Washington, D.C. Metropolitan Division					
Civilian Labor Force	2,530,200	2,544,500	2,497,700	-14,300	32,500
Total Employed	2,400,600	2,401,800	2,360,100	-1,200	40,500
Total Unemployed	129,600	142,600	137,600	-13,000	-8,000
Unemployment Rate	5.1	5.6	5.5	-0.5	-0.4
Suburban Ring					
Civilian Labor Force	2,836,500	2,854,100	2,804,000	-17,600	32,500
Total Employed	2,703,000	2,711,800	2,665,600	-8,800	37,400
Total Unemployed	133,400	142,300	138,400	-8,900	-5,000
Unemployment Rate	4.7	5.0	4.9	-0.3	-0.2
Washington, D.C. MSA					
Civilian Labor Force	3,182,600	3,201,800	3,146,400	-19,200	36,200
Total Employed	3,020,500	3,025,200	2,975,800	-4,700	44,700
Total Unemployed	162,100	176,600	170,600	-14,500	-8,500
Unemployment Rate	5.1	5.5	5.4	-0.4	-0.3

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, 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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