D.C. Labor Market Indicators: January 2017

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From January 2015 to January 2017:

- The unemployment rate in DC decreased by 1.8 percentage points (or 24.0% decrease);
- Unemployment rate in Ward 7 and Ward 8 decreased by 2.9 percentage points (22.5% decrease) and 3.2 percentage points (19.9% decrease) respectively;
- Total number of DC residents that are employed increased by 18,000;
- Total number of jobs in DC increased by 24,600;
- Initial monthly unemployment insurance benefits claimants decreased by 4.61%;
- Total number of unemployed DC residents decreased by 6,200 people;
- In DC there are 1.8 jobs available (advertised) for 1 unemployed DC resident;
- The average weekly median duration of unemployment for Black and African American decreased by 14 weeks;
- The private sector total number of payroll jobs in the District increased by 20,300 new jobs or 3.9% increase from January 2015.
- Professional and Business Services has the highest employment increase by industry with 8,100 since January 2015;
- The highest in-demand occupation is Computer Occupations, All Other; with an average monthly opening of 1,914;
- The highest in-demand occupation requiring less than a bachelor's degree is Computer User Support Specialists; with an average monthly opening of 1,083.
The District's Monthly Unemployment Rate: Jan. 2015 - Jan. 2017

- Jan-15: 7.5
- Feb-15: 7.4
- Mar-15: 7.2
- Apr-15: 7.1
- May-15: 7.0
- Jun-15: 6.9
- Jul-15: 6.8
- Aug-15: 6.7
- Sep-15: 6.6
- Oct-15: 6.5
- Nov-15: 6.5
- Dec-15: 6.4
- Jan-16: 6.3
- Feb-16: 6.2
- Mar-16: 6.2
- Apr-16: 6.1
- May-16: 6.1
- Jun-16: 6.1
- Jul-16: 6.0
- Aug-16: 6.0
- Sep-16: 5.9
- Oct-16: 5.8
- Nov-16: 5.8
- Dec-16: 5.7
- Jan-17: 5.7
Unemployment Rate (January 2015 - January 2017)

- USA: 7.5% in Jan-15, 4.8% in Jan-17 (Difference: -2.7%)
- D.C.: 5.7% in Jan-15, 5.7% in Jan-17 (Difference: 0%

Difference (Jan-15 - Jan-17):
- USA: -2.7%
- D.C.: 0%
Unemployment Rate by Ward (January 2015 - January 2017)

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Unemployment Rate by Ward: January 2017

- Ward 1: 4.3%
- Ward 2: 4.0%
- Ward 3: 3.9%
- Ward 4: 5.5%
- Ward 5: 6.9%
- Ward 6: 5.3%
- Ward 7: 10.0%
- Ward 8: 12.9%
Total Number of Jobs and Total Private Sector Jobs in DC (Jan. 2015 - Jan. 2017)

- Total Number of Jobs in D.C.:
  - Jan-15: 755,500
  - Jan-17: 779,600

- Total Private Sector Jobs in D.C.:
  - Jan-15: 520,000
  - Jan-17: 539,800

Difference (Jan-15 - Jan-17):
- Total Number of Jobs: 24,100
- Total Private Sector Jobs: 19,800

- **Total Employment (in Thousand)**
- **Total Private Sector Employment (in Thousand)**
Median Duration of Unemployment (Jan. 2015 - Jan. 2017)

- **Jan-15**
  - White: 12.8
  - Black: 42.5
  - Hispanic: 19.5
  - All Races: 28.5

- **Jan-17**
  - White: 10.3
  - Black: 28.4
  - Hispanic: 5.9
  - All Races: 22.5

- **Difference**
  - White: -2.5
  - Black: -14.1
  - Hispanic: -13.6
  - All Races: -6

Legend:
- White
- Black
- Hispanic
- All Races

- Professional and Business Services: +8,100
- Educational and Health Services: +6,100
- Leisure and Hospitality: +5,000
- Government: +4,300
- Mining, Logging & Construction: +700
Job Openings vs. Number of Unemployed DC Residents (Jan. 2015 - Jan. 2017)

- Jan-15:
  - Number Unemployed in D.C.: 28,700
  - Number of Job Openings (Advertised Jobs): 52,221
  - Difference: -6,300

- Jan-17:
  - Number Unemployed in D.C.: 22,400
  - Number of Job Openings (Advertised Jobs): 39,551
  - Difference: -12,670
Top 5 Job Openings: January 2015 - January 2017 (Average Monthly Unique Job Postings)

- **Computer Occupations, All Other**: 1,914 job openings, $115,030 annual median wage
- **Registered Nurses**: 1,651 job openings, $79,630 annual median wage
- **Management Analysts**: 1,640 job openings, $94,700 annual median wage
- **Information Security Analysts**: 1,516 job openings, $111,490 annual median wage
- **Software Developers, Applications**: 1,480 job openings, $100,640 annual median wage
Top 5 Job Openings Requiring Less Than Bachelors Degree: January 2015 - January 2017 (Average Monthly Unique Job Openings)
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