D.C. Labor Market Indicators: June 2017

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Highlights

• From January 2015 to June 2017:
  ❖ The unemployment rate in DC decreased by 1.3 percentage points (or 17.3% decrease);
  ❖ Unemployment rate in Ward 7 and Ward 8 decreased by 2.2 percentage points (17.1% decrease) and 2.8 percentage points (17.4% decrease) respectively;
  ❖ Total number of DC residents that are employed increased by 23,100;
  ❖ Total number of jobs in DC increased by 35,500;
  ❖ Initial monthly unemployment insurance benefits claimants decreased by 0.91%;
  ❖ Total number of unemployed DC residents decreased by 3,800 people;
  ❖ In DC there are 1.6 jobs available (advertised) for 1 unemployed DC resident;
  ❖ The average weekly median duration of unemployment for Black and African American decreased by 18 weeks;
  ❖ The private sector total number of payroll jobs in the District increased by 31,900 new jobs or 6.13% increase from January 2015;
  ❖ Professional and Business Services has the highest employment increase by industry with 12,900 since January 2015;
  ❖ The highest in-demand occupation is Computer Occupations, All Other; with an average monthly opening of 1,878;
  ❖ The highest in-demand occupation requiring less than a bachelor’s degree is Computer User Support Specialist; with an average monthly opening of 1,055.
The District's Monthly Unemployment Rate: Jan. 2015 - June 2017
Unemployment Rate (January 2015 – June 2017)

- USA
- D.C.

Jan-15: 5.7%
Jun-17: 4.4%
Difference (Jan-15 - June-17): -1.3%
Unemployment Rate by Ward (January 2015 - June 2017)

Ward 1:
-1.1%
4.8% 5.9%

Ward 2:
-0.7%
4.6% 5.3%

Ward 3:
-0.7%
4.3% 5.0%

Ward 4:
-1.6%
5.7% 7.3%

Ward 5:
-2.0%
5.7% 7.6%

Ward 6:
-0.9%
5.7% 6.6%

Ward 7:
-2.2%
5.3% 6.6%

Ward 8:
-2.8%
5.0% 5.7%

Ward 1:
13.3% 16.1%

Ward 2:
12.9%

Ward 3:

Ward 4:

Ward 5:
9.6%

Ward 6:

Ward 7:

Ward 8:

**Difference**

**Jun-17**

**Jan-15**
Unemployment Rate by Ward: June 2017

- Ward 1: 4.8%
- Ward 2: 4.6%
- Ward 3: 4.3%
- Ward 4: 5.7%
- Ward 5: 7.6%
- Ward 6: 5.7%
- Ward 7: 10.7%
- Ward 8: 13.3%
Total Number of Jobs and Total Private Sector Jobs in DC (Jan. 2015 - June 2017)

- **Jan-15**:
  - Total Number of Jobs in D.C.: 755,500
  - Total Private Sector Jobs in D.C.: 520,000
  - Difference: 35,500

- **Jun-17**:
  - Total Number of Jobs in D.C.: 791,000
  - Total Private Sector Jobs in D.C.: 551,900
  - Difference: 31,900

Legend:
- Green: Total Number of Jobs in D.C.
- Gray: Total Private Sector Jobs in D.C.
Total Employment and Private Sector Employment in D.C. (Jan.2015 - June 2017) (In Thousands)

- Total Employment (in Thousand)
- Total Private Sector Employment (in Thousand)
Employed D.C. Residents (Jan. 2015 - June 2017) (In Thousands)
Median Duration of Unemployment (Jan. 2015 - June 2017)

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Top 5 Industry with Highest Employment Increase (Jan. 2015 – June 2017)

- Professional and Business Services: +12,900
- Leisure and Hospitality: +11,800
- Government: +3,600
- Other Services: +2,300
- Educational and Health Services: +2,100
Job Openings vs. Number of Unemployed DC Residents (Jan. 2015 – June 2017)

- **Difference**
  - -3,800
  - -11,570

- **Jan-15**
  - Number Unemployed in D.C.: 28,600
  - Number of Job Openings (Advertised Jobs): 52,221

- **Jun-17**
  - Number Unemployed in D.C.: 24,800
  - Number of Job Openings (Advertised Jobs): 40,651
Top 5 Job Openings: January 2015 - June 2017 (Average Monthly Unique Job Postings)
Top 5 Job Openings Requiring Less Than Bachelors Degree: January 2015 - June 2017 (Average Monthly Unique Job Openings)
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