

D.C. Unemployment Insurance Benefits

(Total - All Regular Programs)

	Apr. 2006	Mar. 2006	Apr. 2005
Initial Claims	1,135	1,241	1,173

Demographic / Economic Indicators

	D.C.	U.S.A.
Population, July 1, 2005 estimate	550,521	296,410,404
Population, percent change (April 1, 2000-July 1, 2005)	-3.8%	5.3%
Persons under 18 years old, 2000	20.1%	25.7%
High school graduates (Persons age 25+, 2000)	77.8%	80.4%
Homeownership rate, 2000	40.8%	66.2%
Median household money income, 1999	\$40,127	\$41,994
Per capita money income, 1999	\$28,659	\$21,587
Persons below poverty, 1999	20.2%	12.4%
Retail sales per capita, 1997	\$5,274	\$9,190
Private nonfarm employment, percent change (Average annual rate; 1995-2005)	1.6%	1.4%
Persons per square mile, 2000	9,316.4	79.6

Top 20 Employers in the Private Sector in D.C.

Rank	Employer
1	Howard University
2	George Washington University
3	Georgetown University
4	Washington Hospital Center
5	Children's National Medical Center
6	Fannie Mae
7	Howard University Hospital
8	American University
9	Georgetown University Hospital
10	Providence Hospital
11	Catholic University of America
12	The Washington Post
13	Marriott Hotel Services
14	Sibley Memorial Hospital
15	BlueCross BlueShield of the National Capital Area
16	American National Red Cross
17	Hyatt Regency Hotels
18	George Washington University Hospital
19	Corporate Advisory Board
20	Gallaudet University

(Based on employment levels reported to the District's Unemployment Compensation Program as of September 2004. Ranked by size of workforce.)

District of Columbia Job Activity April 2006



The number of District wage and salary jobs increased by 2,100 in April 2006. The private sector gained 2,500 jobs, while the public sector lost 400 jobs. In the private sector, leisure and hospitality added 1,100 jobs; natural resources and construction increased by 500 jobs; other services added 400 jobs; information increased by 200 jobs; and trade, transportation and utilities, professional and business services and educational and health services added 100 jobs each. Manufacturing and financial activities were unchanged. In the public sector, the federal government shed 300 jobs, the District government lost 100 jobs and transportation was unchanged.

In the last twelve months, the District gained a total of 11,300 jobs. The private sector added 13,500 jobs, while the public sector lost 2,200 jobs. The private sector growth occurred in educational and health services (up by 4,700 jobs), professional and business services (up by 3,500 jobs), leisure and hospitality (up by 2,900 jobs), information (up by 1,100 jobs), financial activities (up by 800 jobs), trade, transportation and utilities (up by 500 jobs), and natural resources and construction (up by 100 jobs). Manufacturing lost 100 jobs, while other services was unchanged over the year. In the public sector, the federal government lost 2,200 jobs and transportation lost 200 jobs, while the District government gained 200 jobs.

Washington Metropolitan Division April 2006



Total wage and salary employment in the Washington Metropolitan Division increased over the month in April 2006 by 12,200. The private sector increased by 12,600 jobs, while the public sector lost 400 jobs. Within the private sector, gains were registered in leisure and hospitality (up by 5,000 jobs), natural resources, mining and construction (up by 3,500 jobs), professional and business services (up by 1,800 jobs), trade, transportation, and utilities (up by 1,500 jobs), educational and health services (up by 700 jobs), information and other services (up by 400 jobs each), and manufacturing (up by 100 jobs). Financial activities lost 800 jobs over the month. In the public sector, local government added 100 jobs; state government lost 100 jobs; and the federal government lost 400 jobs.

During the past twelve months, the Washington Metropolitan Division gained 58,900 jobs. The private sector gained 53,200 jobs and the public sector added 5,700 jobs. Private sector gains were registered in professional and business services (up by 20,600 jobs), educational and health services (up by 9,500 jobs), trade, transportation, and utilities (up by 7,900 jobs), leisure and hospitality (up by 6,900 jobs), natural resources, mining and construction (up by 6,400 jobs), other services (up by 1,400 jobs), financial activities (up by 800 jobs), and manufacturing (up by 500 jobs). Information lost 800 jobs. In government, local government gained 7,700 jobs and state government added 500 jobs, while the federal government lost 2,500 jobs.

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Unemployment Rates (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

	Apr. '06	Mar. '06	Apr. '05 ^a
U.S.A.	4.5	4.8	4.9
Washington, DC MSA	2.9	2.9	3.3
Washington, DC MD	3.0	3.0	3.4
D.C.	5.2	5.5	6.2

Unemployment Rates (Seasonally Adjusted)

	Apr. '06	Mar. '06	Apr. '05 ^a
U.S.A.	4.7	4.7	5.1
D.C.	5.5	5.3	6.7

a: Reflecting 2005 benchmark revisions

Employment Status for the D.C. Civilian Population

(Not Seasonally Adjusted)

	Apr. '06	Mar. '06	Apr. '05 ^a
Civilian Labor Force	286,800	289,400	295,900
Employment	271,800	273,600	277,500
Unemployment	15,000	15,800	18,400

a: Reflecting 2005 benchmark revisions

D.C. Metro Division Average Hours & Earnings

(of Production Workers in Manufacturing)

	Apr. '06 ^p	Mar. '06 ^r	Apr. '05 ^a
Weekly Earnings	\$664.12	\$652.46	\$669.74
Weekly Hours	38.3	38.0	39.7
Hourly Earnings	\$17.34	\$17.17	\$16.87

p: Preliminary

r: Revised

a: Reflecting 2005 benchmark revisions

Consumer Price Index, Annual Change in %

All items. All urban consumers.

	Apr. '06	Mar. '06	Apr. '05	Mar. '05
Wash.-Balt. DC-MD-VA-WV	na	3.3	na	3.9
U.S.A.	3.5	3.4	3.5	3.1

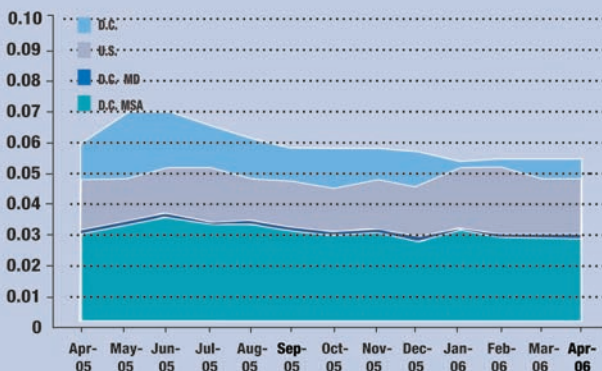
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(1982-84=100 for U.S. Nov. 1996=100 for Washington-Baltimore, DC-MD-VA-WV)

na: not available

Unemployment Rate

April 2005 to April 2006 (Not Seasonally Adjusted)



D.C. Wage and Salary Employment by Industry

(Not Seasonally Adjusted; In Thousands of Jobs)

	Apr. '06 ^P	Mar. '06 ^r	Apr. '05 ^a
Total	691.7	689.6	680.4
Total Private	462.5	460.0	449.0
Goods-Producing Industries	15.1	14.6	15.1
Manufacturing	2.1	2.1	2.2
Natural Resource, Mining & Construction	13.0	12.5	12.9
Service-Providing Industries	676.6	675.0	665.3
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	27.9	27.8	27.4
Wholesale Trade	4.5	4.5	4.7
Retail Trade	17.8	17.9	17.2
Transportation, Warehousing & Utilities	5.6	5.4	5.5
Information	23.6	23.4	22.5
Financial Activities	30.7	30.7	29.9
Professional & Business Services	150.8	150.7	147.3
Educational & Health Services	98.1	98.0	93.4
Leisure & Hospitality	57.2	56.1	54.3
Accommodation & Food Services	50.5	49.4	47.8
Other Services	59.1	58.7	59.1
Government	229.2	229.6	231.4
Federal Government	190.2	190.5	192.4
D.C. Government	34.3	34.4	34.1
Public Transportation	4.7	4.7	4.9

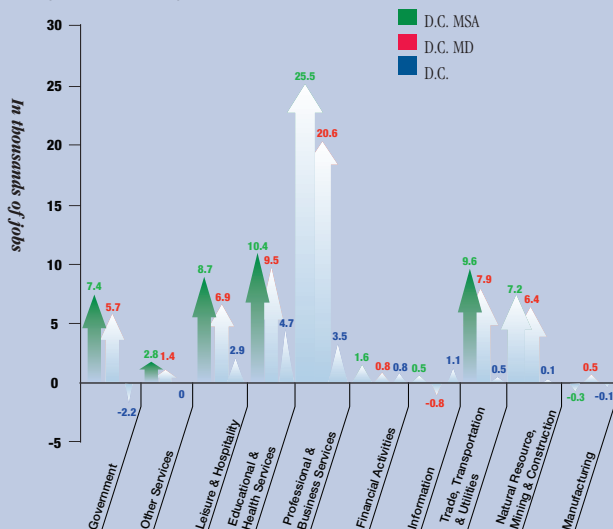
(Subtotals may not equal totals due to rounding.)

Note: Wage and salary employment by industry is now based on the 2002 North American Industry Classification System (NAICS).

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Net Job Changes

April 2005 to April 2006



Washington, D.C. Metropolitan Division Wage and Salary Employment by Industry

(Not Seasonally Adjusted; In Thousands of Jobs)

	Apr. '06 ^p	Mar. '06 ^r	Apr. '05 ^a
Total	2,393.0	2,380.8	2,334.1
Total Private	1,851.5	1,838.9	1,798.3
Goods-Producing Industries	193.1	189.5	186.2
Manufacturing	44.4	44.3	43.9
Natural Resource, Mining & Construction	148.7	145.2	142.3
Service-Providing Industries	2,199.9	2,191.3	2,147.9
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	326.1	324.6	318.2
Wholesale Trade	57.2	56.6	56.2
Retail Trade	209.4	208.8	202.7
Transportation, Warehousing & Utilities	59.5	59.2	59.3
Information	81.9	81.5	82.7
Financial Activities	116.2	117.0	115.4
Professional & Business Services	540.5	538.7	519.9
Educational & Health Services	250.9	250.2	241.4
Leisure & Hospitality	205.9	200.9	199.0
Accommodation & Food Services	179.1	176.1	173.4
Other Services	136.9	136.5	135.5
Government	541.5	541.9	535.8
Federal Government	292.6	293.0	295.1
State Government	75.2	75.3	74.7
Local Government	173.7	173.6	166.0

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Washington, D.C. Metropolitan Statistical Area Wage and Salary Employment by Industry

(Not Seasonally Adjusted; In Thousands of Jobs)

	Apr. '06 ^p	Mar. '06 ^r	Apr. '05 ^a
Total	2,973.9	2,957.6	2,900.5
Total Private	2,337.0	2,320.7	2,271.0
Goods-Producing Industries	255.7	251.0	248.8
Manufacturing	64.9	64.8	65.2
Natural Res., Mining & Const.	190.8	186.2	183.6
Service-Providing Industries	2,718.2	2,706.6	2,651.7
Trade, Transpo. & Utilities	410.6	409.2	401.0
Wholesale Trade	72.5	72.2	71.7
Retail Trade	271.9	271.1	263.1
Transportation, Warehousing & Utilities	66.2	65.9	66.2
Information	100.1	99.7	99.6
Financial Activities	161.5	162.0	159.9
Professional & Business Services	663.3	660.4	637.8
Educational & Health Services	321.7	321.0	311.3
Leisure & Hospitality	254.9	249.0	246.2
Accommodation & Food Services	220.5	217.0	213.2
Other Services	169.2	168.4	166.4
Government	636.9	636.9	629.5
Federal Government	335.3	335.7	337.9

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Top 30 High Demand Occupations in D.C.

	Average Annual Openings	Mean Hourly Wage
Management Analysts	798	\$37.26
Lawyers	615	\$63.26
Janitors and Cleaners, except Maids Housekeeping Cleaners	600	\$10.74
Combined Food Preparation and Serving Workers, including Fast Food	519	\$9.29
General and Operations Managers	477	\$49.69
Waiters and Waitresses	467	\$8.01
Cashiers	386	\$10.62
Security Guards	380	\$12.86
Accountants and Auditors	379	\$31.31
Office Clerks, General	372	\$13.67
Retail Salespersons	342	\$11.34
Computer Systems Analysts	295	\$38.22
Secretaries, except Legal, Medical, and Executive	291	\$18.43
Executive Secretaries and Administrative Assistants	279	\$20.58
Receptionists and Information Clerks	262	\$13.30
Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners	247	\$11.77
Administrative Services Managers	242	\$36.06
First-Line Supervisors/Managers of Office and Admin. Support Workers	242	\$33.68
Registered Nurses	232	\$28.04
Chief Executives	212	\$74.50
Paralegals and Legal Assistants	212	\$22.05
Legal Secretaries	206	\$25.84
Customer Service Representatives	195	\$15.25
Economists	168	\$45.11
Public Relations Specialists	161	\$36.71
Writers and Authors	155	\$27.59
Real Estate Sales Agents	151	\$29.92
Computer Support Specialists	145	\$22.13
Food Preparation Workers	145	\$9.77
Child Care Workers	142	\$9.63

Openings - based on the 2002-2012 Occupational Employment Projections of the Department of Employment Services (does not include Farm, Fishing & Forestry occupations.) Wage data - source; Occupational Employment Survey of the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, November 2004

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