

D.C. Unemployment Insurance Benefits

(Total – All Regular Programs)

	Aug. 2006	July 2006	Aug. 2005
Initial Claims	1,789	1,550	1,474

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 August 2006



The number of District wage and salary jobs decreased by 2,800 in August 2006. The private sector lost 2,000 jobs and the public sector shed 800 jobs. In the private sector, professional and business services lost 1,100 jobs; trade, transportation and utilities and other services shed 300 jobs each; and educational and health services and leisure and hospitality lost 200 jobs each. Manufacturing increased by 100 jobs. Natural resources and construction, information and financial activities were unchanged. In the public sector, the federal government lost 1,100 jobs; the District government gained 300 jobs and transportation was unchanged.

In the last twelve months, the District gained a total of 11,300 jobs. The private sector added 11,000 jobs and the public sector gained 300 jobs. The private sector growth occurred in professional and business services (up by 3,100 jobs), educational and health services (up by 2,700 jobs), leisure and hospitality (up by 1,800 jobs), information (up by 1,300 jobs), financial activities (up by 1,000 jobs), natural resources and construction (up by 500 jobs), other services (up by 300 jobs), manufacturing (up by 200 jobs), and trade, transportation and utilities (up by 100 jobs). In the public sector, transportation gained 700 jobs and the District government added 300 jobs while the federal government lost 700 jobs.

Washington Metropolitan Division August 2006



Total wage and salary employment in the Washington Metropolitan Division decreased over the month in August 2006 by 2,800. The private sector increased by 300 jobs and the public sector lost 3,100 jobs. Within the private sector, gains were registered in natural resources, mining and construction (up by 800 jobs), information (up by 400 jobs), manufacturing (up by 300 jobs), and trade, transportation, and utilities and financial activities (up by 200 jobs each). Private sector losses were noted in professional and business services (down by 1,000 jobs), educational and health services (down by 300 jobs), leisure and hospitality (down by 200 jobs), and other services (down by 100 jobs). In the public sector, the federal government lost 1,200 jobs; state government added 700 jobs; and local government lost 2,600 jobs.

During the past twelve months, the Washington Metropolitan Division gained 58,600 jobs. The private sector gained 56,900 jobs and the public sector added 1,700 jobs. Private sector gains were registered in professional and business services (up by 24,700 jobs), educational and health services (up by 9,400 jobs), trade, transportation, and utilities (up by 8,700 jobs), leisure and hospitality (up by 4,600 jobs), natural resources, mining and construction (up by 3,100 jobs), financial activities and other services (up by 2,800 jobs each), manufacturing (up by 600 jobs), and information (up by 200 jobs). In government, local government gained 3,100 jobs and state government added 200 jobs while the federal government lost 1,600 jobs.

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Unemployment Rates *(Not Seasonally Adjusted)*

	Aug. '06	July '06	Aug. '05 ^a
U.S.A.	4.6	5.0	4.9
Washington, DC MSA	3.2	3.5	3.4
Washington, DC MD	3.3	3.5	3.5
D.C.	6.1	6.3	6.1

Unemployment Rates *(Seasonally Adjusted)*

U.S.A.	4.7	4.8	4.9
D.C.	5.8	5.7	6.3

a: Reflecting 2005 benchmark revisions

Employment Status for the D.C. Civilian Population *(Not Seasonally Adjusted)*

	Aug. '06	July '06	Aug. '05 ^a
Civilian Labor Force	295,700	301,900	299,800
Employment	277,700	282,800	281,500
Unemployment	18,000	19,200	18,400

a: Reflecting 2005 benchmark revisions

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

	Aug. '06 ^p	July '06 ^r	Aug. '05 ^a
Weekly Earnings	\$681.51	\$675.51	\$659.65
Weekly Hours	38.7	38.8	39.5
Hourly Earnings	\$17.61	\$17.41	\$16.70

p: Preliminary

r: Revised

a: Reflecting 2005 benchmark revisions

Consumer Price Index, Annual Change in % *All items. All urban consumers.*

	Aug. '06	July '06	Aug. '05	July '05
Wash.-Balt. DC-MD-VA-WV	na	4.6	na	4.0
U.S.A.	3.8	4.1	3.6	3.2

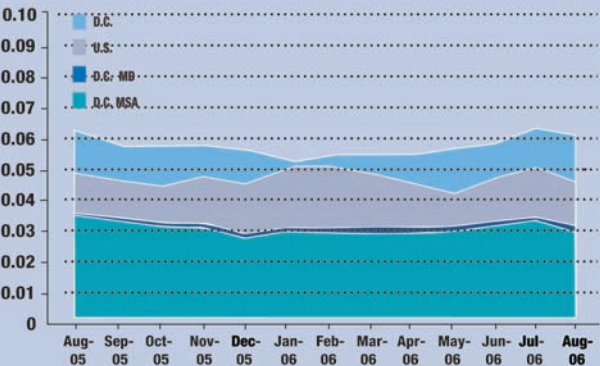
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(1982-84=100 for U.S. Nov. 1996=100 for Washington-Baltimore, DC-MD-VA-WV)

na: not available

Unemployment Rate

August 2005 to August 2006 *(Not Seasonally Adjusted)*



D.C. Wage and Salary Employment by Industry

(Not Seasonally Adjusted; In Thousands of Jobs)

	Aug. '06 ^p	July '06 ^r	Aug. '05 ^a
Total	695.0	697.8	683.7
Total Private	453.6	455.6	442.6
Goods-Producing Industries	15.5	15.4	14.8
Manufacturing	2.3	2.2	2.1
Natural Resource, Mining & Construction	13.2	13.2	12.7
Service-Providing Industries	679.5	682.4	668.9
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	27.6	27.9	27.5
Wholesale Trade	4.3	4.3	4.6
Retail Trade	17.8	18.0	17.4
Transportation, Warehousing & Utilities	5.5	5.6	5.5
Information	23.8	23.8	22.5
Financial Activities	30.9	30.9	29.9
Professional & Business Services	152.0	153.1	148.9
Educational & Health Services	88.4	88.6	85.7
Leisure & Hospitality	55.9	56.1	54.1
Accommodation & Food Services	49.7	50.3	47.9
Other Services	59.5	59.8	59.2
Government	241.4	242.2	241.1
Federal Government	193.6	194.7	194.3
D.C. Government	42.9	42.6	42.6
Public Transportation	4.9	4.9	4.2

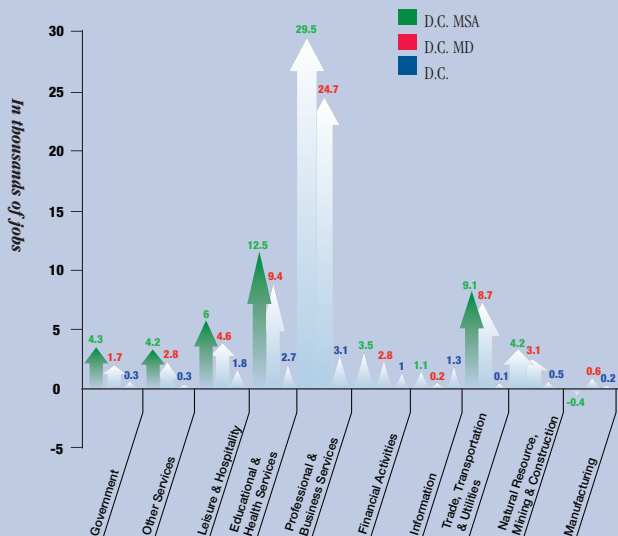
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Note: Wage and salary employment by industry is now based on the 2002 North American Industry Classification System (NAICS).

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Net Job Changes

August 2005 to August 2006



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

(Not Seasonally Adjusted; In Thousands of Jobs)

	Aug. '06 ^p	July '06 ^r	Aug. '05 ^a
Total	2,414.3	2,417.1	2,355.7
Total Private	1,879.7	1,879.4	1,822.8
Goods-Producing Industries	198.1	197.0	194.4
Manufacturing	44.8	44.5	44.2
Natural Resource, Mining & Construction	153.3	152.5	150.2
Service-Providing Industries	2,216.2	2,220.1	2,161.3
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	330.9	330.7	322.2
Wholesale Trade	57.5	57.3	56.6
Retail Trade	213.5	213.7	206.4
Transportation, Warehousing & Utilities	59.9	59.7	59.2
Information	82.9	82.5	82.7
Financial Activities	120.0	119.8	117.2
Professional & Business Services	554.2	555.2	529.5
Educational & Health Services	240.2	240.5	230.8
Leisure & Hospitality	214.0	214.2	209.4
Accommodation & Food Services	180.7	181.2	177.6
Other Services	139.4	139.5	136.6
Government	534.6	537.7	532.9
Federal Government	297.9	299.1	299.5
State Government	77.1	76.4	76.9
Local Government	159.6	162.2	156.5

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

(Not Seasonally Adjusted; In Thousands of Jobs)

	Aug. '06p	July '06r	Aug. '05a
Total	3,002.8	3,004.8	2,928.8
Total Private	2,374.8	2,374.7	2,305.1
Goods-Producing Industries	262.2	261.0	258.4
Manufacturing	65.0	64.8	65.4
Natural Res., Mining & Const.	197.2	196.2	193.0
Service-Providing Industries	2,740.6	2,743.8	2,670.4
Trade, Transpo. & Utilities	416.2	416.2	407.1
Wholesale Trade	72.5	72.3	72.3
Retail Trade	277.2	277.5	268.6
Transportation, Warehousing & Utilities	66.5	66.4	66.2
Information	101.1	100.8	100.0
Financial Activities	165.6	165.2	162.1
Professional & Business Services	679.2	679.5	649.7
Educational & Health Services	312.2	312.6	299.7
Leisure & Hospitality	266.3	267.0	260.3
Accommodation & Food Services	223.4	224.1	219.2
Other Services	172.0	172.4	167.8
Government	628.0	630.1	623.7
Federal Government	341.1	342.5	343.0

(Subtotals may not equal totals due to rounding. Data reflects conversion to 2002 NAICS.)
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Top 30 High Demand Occupations in D.C.

	Average Annual Openings	Mean Hourly Wage
Management Analysts	798	\$38.21
Lawyers	615	\$64.23
Janitors and Cleaners, except Maids		
Housekeeping Cleaners	600	\$10.70
Combined Food Preparation and		
Serving Workers, including Fast Food	519	\$9.31
General and Operations Managers	477	\$51.27
Waiters and Waitresses	467	\$8.48
Cashiers	386	\$10.10
Security Guards	380	\$12.75
Accountants and Auditors	379	\$31.69
Office Clerks, General	372	\$13.77
Retail Salespersons	342	\$11.81
Computer Systems Analysts	295	\$39.36
Secretaries, except Legal, Medical, and Executive	291	\$19.30
Executive Secretaries and		
Administrative Assistants	279	\$20.79
Receptionists and Information Clerks	262	\$13.63
Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners	247	\$12.34
Administrative Services Managers	242	\$34.87
First-Line Supervisors/Managers of		
Office and Admin. Support Workers	242	\$35.51
Registered Nurses	232	\$28.43
Chief Executives	212	\$74.14
Paralegals and Legal Assistants	212	\$23.12
Legal Secretaries	206	\$26.55
Customer Service Representatives	195	\$16.37
Economists	168	\$46.17
Public Relations Specialists	161	\$37.89
Writers and Authors	155	\$27.34
Real Estate Sales Agents	151	\$30.15
Computer Support Specialists	145	\$22.38
Food Preparation Workers	145	\$9.89
Child Care Workers	142	\$10.03

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, May 2005

Sources of Information:

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