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Unemployment Rates (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

	Nov. 07	Oct. 07	Nov. 06a
U.S.A.	4.5	4.4	4.3
Washington, DC MSA	3.0	3.1	3.0
Washington, DC MD	3.1	3.1	3.1
D.C.	5.8	5.6	5.8

D.C. Ward 1	4.9	4.8	4.9
2	2.8	2.7	2.8
3	1.5	1.4	1.5
4	4.7	4.5	4.7
5	7.8	7.5	7.8
6	5.7	5.5	5.7
7	10.1	9.8	10.1
8	15.4	14.9	15.4

Unemployment Rates (Seasonally Adjusted)

U.S.A.	4.7	4.8	4.5
D.C.	5.7	5.8	6.1

a: Reflecting 2006 benchmark revisions

Note: Estimates for the latest year are subject to revision early the following calendar year. Ward Labor Force Statistics — based on Census 2000 household data.

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

	Nov. 07	Oct. 07	Nov. 06a
Civilian Labor Force	319,600	317,300	316,200
Employment	301,100	299,600	298,000
Unemployment	18,500	17,700	18,300

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D.C. Unemployment Insurance Benefits (Total - All Regular Programs)

	Nov. 2007	Oct. 2007	Nov. 2006
Initial Claims	1,413	1,337	1,303

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

	Nov.07	Oct.07	Nov.06	Oct.06
Wash.-Balt. DC-MD-VA-WV	4.5	na	3.1	na
U.S.A.	4.3	3.5	2.0	1.3

(All items. All urban consumers. Not Seasonally Adjusted.)

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

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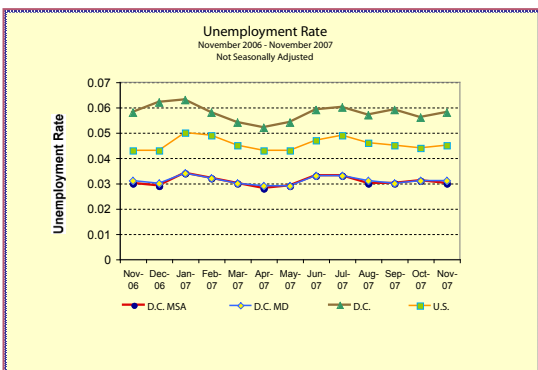
D.C. Metro Division Average Hours & Earnings (of Production Workers in Manufacturing)

	Oct. 07p	Sept. 07r	Oct. 06a
Weekly Earnings	\$681.72	\$681.72	\$677.76
Weekly Hours	39.0	38.8	38.4
Hourly Earnings	\$17.48	\$17.57	\$17.65

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Unemployment Rate

Nov. 2006 to Nov. 2007 (Not Seasonally Adjusted)



D.C. Wage and Salary Employment by Industry

(Not Seasonally Adjusted; In Thousands of Jobs)

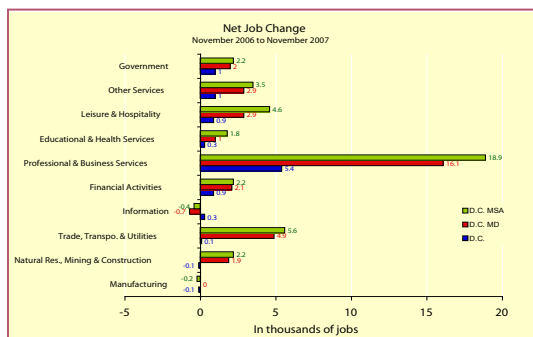
	Nov. 07p	Oct. 07r	Nov. 06 a
Total	705.5	701.8	695.8
Total Private	472.3	468.5	463.6
Goods-Producing Industries	14.5	14.6	14.7
Manufacturing	1.6	1.6	1.7
Natural Res., Mining & Construction	12.9	13.0	13.0
Service-Providing Industries	691.0	687.2	681.1
Trade, Transp. & Utilities	28.5	28.2	28.4
Wholesale Trade	4.7	4.7	4.7
Retail Trade	18.7	18.4	18.5
Trans, Warehouse & Utilities	5.1	5.1	5.2
Information	23.1	23.0	22.8
Financial Activities	30.6	30.3	29.7
Professional & Bus. Serv	160.8	160.7	155.4
Educational & Health Serv	98.9	96.3	98.6
Leisure & Hospitality	55.1	55.0	54.2
Accommodation & Food	49.2	49.1	48.4
Other Services	60.8	60.4	59.8
Government	233.2	233.3	232.2
Federal Government	193.3	192.9	193.1
D.C. Government	34.7	35.2	34.1
Public Transportation	5.2	5.2	5.0

(Subtotals may not equal totals due to rounding.)

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Net Job Changes

Nov. 2006 to Nov. 2007



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

(Not Seasonally Adjusted; In Thousands of Jobs)

	Nov. 07p	Oct. 07r	Nov. 06 a
Total	2,450.8	2,437.1	2,417.7
Total Private	1,896.1	1,886.6	1,865.0
Goods-Producing Industries	194.1	194.7	192.2
Manufacturing	43.1	43.0	43.1
Natural Res., Mining & Construction	151.0	151.7	149.1
Service-Providing Industries	2,256.7	2,242.4	2,225.5
Trade, Transp. & Utilities	332.6	325.7	327.7
Wholesale Trade	54.7	54.6	54.4
Retail Trade	220.6	213.9	215.9
Trans, Warehouse & Utilities	57.3	57.2	57.4
Information	80.7	80.4	81.4
Financial Activities	118.6	118.2	116.5
Professional & Bus. Serv	562.6	562.4	546.5
Educational & Health Serv	254.7	252.4	253.7
Leisure & Hospitality	205.3	205.6	202.4
Accommodation & Food	178.8	178.3	176.3
Other Services	147.5	147.2	144.6
Government	554.7	550.5	552.7
Federal Government	297.6	297.2	298.2
State Government	79.6	77.7	78.3
Local Government	177.5	175.6	176.2

(Subtotals may not equal totals due to rounding. Data reflects conversion to 2002 NAICS.)

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

(Not Seasonally Adjusted; In Thousands of Jobs)

	Nov. 07p	Oct. 07r	Nov. 06 a
Total	3,040.4	3,023.7	3,000.0
Total Private	2,389.6	2,378.1	2,351.4
Goods-Producing Industries	257.8	258.4	255.8
Manufacturing	62.8	62.7	63.0
Natural Res., Mining & Construction	195.0	195.7	192.8
Service-Providing Industries	2,782.6	2,765.3	2,744.2
Trade, Transp. & Utilities	418.9	410.0	413.3
Wholesale Trade	70.3	70.2	70.1
Retail Trade	283.8	275.0	278.4
Trans, Warehouse & Utilities	64.8	64.8	64.8
Information	98.0	97.9	98.4
Financial Activities	163.8	163.5	161.6
Professional & Bus. Serv	692.1	691.8	673.2
Educational & Health Serv	326.9	324.1	325.1
Leisure & Hospitality	253.2	253.7	248.6
Accommodation & Food	218.7	217.9	215.1
Other Services	178.9	178.7	175.4
Government	650.8	645.6	648.6
Federal Government	340.8	340.3	341.6

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Top 30 High Demand Occupations in D.C.

	Average Annual Openings	Mean Hourly Wage
Lawyers	754	\$66.75
Management Analysts	560	\$36.19
Combined Food Preparation and Serving Workers, Including Fast Food	542	\$9.67
General and Operations Managers	535	\$56.35
Waiters and Waitresses	519	\$10.10
Janitors and Cleaners, Except Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners	433	\$11.04
Retail Salespersons	397	\$11.54
Cashiers	388	\$10.22
Office Clerks, General	377	\$14.94
Computer Systems Analysts	368	\$36.32
Security Guards	360	\$13.43
Executive Secretaries and Administrative Assistants	350	\$22.32
Secretaries, Except Legal, Medical, and Executive	308	\$19.23
Accountants and Auditors	298	\$33.04
Paralegals and Legal Assistants	286	\$26.16
Registered Nurses	277	\$30.35
Administrative Service Managers	257	\$36.30
Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners	248	\$12.68
Receptionist and Information Clerks	242	\$13.68
First-Line Supervisors/Managers of Office and Administrative Support Workers	238	\$29.59
Legal Secretaries	236	\$27.55
Chief Executives	235	\$79.59
Customer Service Representatives	223	\$16.85
Real Estate Sales Agents	171	\$38.14
Food Preparation Workers	170	\$9.98
Writers and Authors	165	\$29.66
Counter Attendants, Cafeteria, Food Concession, and Coffee Shop	153	\$10.78
Cooks, Restaurant	150	\$12.65
Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand	146	\$12.25
Economists	143	\$46.77

Openings - based on the 2004-2014 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 2006

Demographic / Economic Indicator

	<i>D.C.</i>	<i>U.S.A.</i>
Population, July 1, 2006 estimate	581,530	299,398,484
Population, percent change (April 1, 2000-July 1, 2006)	1.7%	6.4%
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 per capita, 1997	\$5,274	\$9,190
Private nonfarm employment, percent change (Average annual rate; 1996-2006)	1.9%	1.4%
Person 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	Georgetown University
3	George Washington University
4	Washington Hospital Center
5	Children's National Medical Center
6	Fannie Mae
7	Georgetown University Hospital
8	American University
9	Howard University Hospital
10	Providence Hospital
11	Catholic University of America
12	The Washington Post
13	Marriot Hotel Services
14	Sibley Memorial Hospital
15	Corporate Advisory Board
16	George Washington University Hospital
17	American National Red Cross
18	National Rehabilitation Hospital
19	Safeway Inc.
20	Gallaudet University

(Based on employment levels reported to the District's Unemployment Compensation Program as of September 2005. Ranked by size of workforce.)

District of Columbia Job Activity November 2007

The number of District wage and salary jobs increased by 3,700 in November 2007. The private sector gained 3,800 jobs while the public sector lost 100 jobs. In the private sector, educational and health services increased by 2,600 jobs, other services added 400 jobs, trade, transportation and utilities and financial activities gained 300 jobs each, and information, professional and business services, and leisure and hospitality added 100 jobs each. Meanwhile, natural resources and construction shed 100 jobs. Manufacturing was unchanged over the month. In the public sector, the Federal government gained 400 jobs; the District government lost 500 jobs; and transportation was unchanged.

In the last twelve months, the District gained a total of 9,700 jobs. The private sector added 8,700 jobs and the public sector gained 1,000 jobs. The private sector growth occurred in professional and business services (up by 5,400 jobs), other services (up by 1,000 jobs), financial activities and leisure and hospitality (up by 900 jobs each), information and educational and health services (up by 300 jobs each), and trade, transportation and utilities (up by 100 jobs). Manufacturing and natural resources and construction lost 100 jobs each. In the public sector, the District government gained 600 jobs and the Federal government and transportation added 200 jobs each.

Washington Metropolitan Division November 2007

Total wage and salary employment in the Washington Metropolitan Division increased over the month in November 2007 by 13,700. The private sector increased by 9,500 jobs and the public sector gained 4,200 jobs. Within the private sector, gains were registered in trade, transportation, and utilities (up by 6,900 jobs), educational and health services (up by 2,300 jobs), financial activities (up by 400 jobs), information and other services (up by 300 jobs each), professional and business services (up by 200 jobs), and manufacturing (up by 100 jobs). Losses were registered in natural resources, mining and construction (down by 700 jobs) and leisure and hospitality (down by 300 jobs). In the public sector, state government gained 1,900 jobs; local government added 1,900 jobs; and the federal government gained 400 jobs.

During the past twelve months, the Washington Metropolitan Division gained 33,100 jobs. The private sector added 31,100 jobs and the public sector gained 2,000 jobs. Private sector gains were registered in professional and business services (up by 16,100 jobs), trade, transportation, and utilities (up by 4,900 jobs), leisure and hospitality and other services (up by 2,900 jobs each), financial activities (up by 2,100 jobs), natural resources, mining and construction (up by 1,900 jobs), and educational and health services (up by 1,000 jobs). Manufacturing was unchanged while a loss was registered in information (down by 700 jobs). In the public sector, state government and local government added 1,300 jobs each while the federal government lost 600 jobs.

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