

**Employment Status for the Civilian Population
District of Columbia,
Washington Metropolitan Division and Statistical Area
August 2012/a**

Net Change From

	Aug/b 2012	Jul/c 2012	Aug/d 2011	Jul/c 2012	Aug/d 2011
Seasonally Unadjusted					
Washington, D.C.					
Civilian Labor Force	357,700	360,700	344,400	-3,000	13,300
Total Employed	326,100	328,000	308,500	-1,900	17,600
Total Unemployed	31,600	32,700	35,900	-1,100	-4,300
Unemployment Rate	8.8	9.1	10.4	-0.3	-1.6
Washington, D.C. Metropolitan Division					
Civilian Labor Force	2,557,800	2,588,700	2,526,000	-30,900	31,800
Total Employed	2,416,800	2,441,300	2,371,800	-24,500	45,000
Total Unemployed	141,000	147,400	154,300	-6,400	-13,300
Unemployment Rate	5.5	5.7	6.1	-0.2	-0.6
Suburban Ring					
Civilian Labor Force	2,858,900	2,898,600	2,835,500	-39,700	23,400
Total Employed	2,714,200	2,748,100	2,681,200	-33,900	33,000
Total Unemployed	144,600	150,500	154,300	-5,900	-9,700
Unemployment Rate	5.1	5.2	5.4	-0.1	-0.3
Washington, D.C. MSA					
Civilian Labor Force	3,216,600	3,259,300	3,179,900	-42,700	36,700
Total Employed	3,040,300	3,076,100	2,989,700	-35,800	50,600
Total Unemployed	176,200	183,200	190,200	-7,000	-14,000
Unemployment Rate	5.5	5.6	6.0	-0.1	-0.5

a/ Data may not add to the totals due to independent rounding.

b/ Preliminary.

c/ Revised.

d/ Data reflect benchmark revisions.

Estimated Labor Force and Employment for the Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, DC-VA-MD-WV Metropolitan Division includes The District of Columbia, Virginia Cities of Alexandria, Fairfax, Falls Church, Fredericksburg, Manassas, and Manassas Park; the Virginia Counties of Arlington, Clarke, Fairfax, Loudon, Prince William, Spotsylvania, Stafford, and Warren; the Maryland Counties of Calvert, Charles, and Prince Georges; and the West Virginia County of Jefferson.

Estimated Labor Force and Employment for the Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, DC-VA-MD-WV Metropolitan Statistical Area includes the Washington-Arlington-Alexandria Metropolitan Division and the Bethesda-Frederick-Gaithersburg Metropolitan Division which includes the Counties of Frederick and Montgomery in Maryland.

Estimated Labor Force and Employment for the Suburban Ring includes the Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, DC-VA-MD-WV Metropolitan Statistical Area excluding the District of Columbia

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