

**Employment Status for the Civilian Population  
District of Columbia,  
Washington Metropolitan Division and Statistical Area  
March 2016/a**

	Mar/b 2016	Feb/d 2016	Mar/d 2015	Net Change From	
				Feb/d 2016	Mar/d 2015
<b>Seasonally Unadjusted</b>					
<b>Washington, D.C.</b>					
Civilian Labor Force	394,000	394,700	384,600	-700	9,400
Total Employed	369,100	367,500	357,400	1,600	11,700
Total Unemployed	24,900	27,200	27,200	-2,300	-2,300
Unemployment Rate	6.3	6.9	7.1	-0.6	-0.8
<b>Washington, D.C. Metropolitan Division</b>					
Civilian Labor Force	2,624,600	2,616,800	2,600,900	7,800	23,700
Total Employed	2,515,600	2,505,700	2,477,700	9,900	37,900
Total Unemployed	109,000	111,000	123,200	-2,000	-14,200
Unemployment Rate	4.2	4.2	4.7	0.0	-0.5
<b>Suburban Ring</b>					
Civilian Labor Force	2,911,700	2,899,900	2,889,800	11,800	21,900
Total Employed	2,802,700	2,790,900	2,766,000	11,800	36,700
Total Unemployed	109,000	109,000	123,800	0	-14,800
Unemployment Rate	3.7	3.8	4.3	-0.1	-0.6
<b>Washington, D.C. MSA</b>					
Civilian Labor Force	3,305,700	3,294,600	3,274,400	11,100	31,300
Total Employed	3,171,800	3,158,400	3,123,400	13,400	48,400
Total Unemployed	133,900	136,200	151,000	-2,300	-17,100
Unemployment Rate	4.1	4.1	4.6	0.0	-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, Fauquier, Loudoun, Prince William, Spotsylvania, Stafford, Warren, Rappahannock, and Culpeper; 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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