

**Employment Status for the Civilian Population  
District of Columbia,  
Washington Metropolitan Division and Statistical Area  
October 2015/a**

	Oct/b 2015	Sept/c 2015	Oct/d 2014	Net Change From	
				Sept/c 2015	Oct/d 2014
<b>Seasonally Unadjusted</b>					
<b>Washington, D.C.</b>					
Civilian Labor Force	389,500	384,300	383,200	5,200	6,300
Total Employed	363,500	357,800	353,600	5,700	9,900
Total Unemployed	26,000	26,600	29,600	-600	-3,600
Unemployment Rate	6.7	6.9	7.7	-0.2	-1.0
<b>Washington, D.C. Metropolitan Division</b>					
Civilian Labor Force	2,608,800	2,588,900	2,603,100	19,900	5,700
Total Employed	2,496,400	2,477,000	2,477,100	19,400	19,300
Total Unemployed	112,500	111,900	126,000	600	-13,500
Unemployment Rate	4.3	4.3	4.8	0.0	-0.5
<b>Suburban Ring</b>					
Civilian Labor Force	2,901,200	2,877,800	2,888,300	23,400	12,900
Total Employed	2,786,200	2,764,800	2,762,900	21,400	23,300
Total Unemployed	114,900	112,900	125,400	2,000	-10,500
Unemployment Rate	4.0	3.9	4.3	0.1	-0.3
<b>Washington, D.C. MSA</b>					
Civilian Labor Force	3,290,700	3,262,100	3,271,500	28,600	19,200
Total Employed	3,149,700	3,122,600	3,116,500	27,100	33,200
Total Unemployed	140,900	139,500	155,000	1,400	-14,100
Unemployment Rate	4.3	4.3	4.7	0.0	-0.4

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, Loudon, 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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