

D.C. Unemployment Insurance Benefits

(Total - All Regular Programs)

	Feb. 2006	Jan. 2006	Feb. 2005
Initial Claims	1,149	1,440	1,009

Demographic / Economic Indicators

	D.C.	U.S.A.
Population, July 1, 2004 estimate	553,523	293,655,404
Population, percent change (April 1, 2000-July 1, 2004)	-3.2%	4.3%
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; 1994-2004)	1.4%	1.6%
Persons per square mile, 2000	9,316.4	79.6

Top 20 Employers in the Private Sector in D.C.

Rank	Employer
1	George Washington University
2	Georgetown University
3	Washington Hospital Center
4	Howard University
5	Fannie Mae
6	Children's National Medical Center
7	Georgetown University Hospital
8	Howard University Hospital
9	American University
10	Providence Hospital
11	The Washington Post
12	Catholic University of America
13	Marriott Hotel Services
14	Sibley Memorial Hospital
15	George Washington University Hospital
16	UNICCO Service Company
17	BlueCross BlueShield of the National Capital Area
18	American National Red Cross
19	Hyatt Regency Hotels
20	National Academy of Sciences

(Based on employment levels reported to the District's Unemployment Compensation Program as of September 2003. Ranked by size of workforce.)

District of Columbia Job Activity December 2005



The number of District wage and salary jobs increased by 5,100 in February 2006. The private sector gained 5,800 jobs and the public sector shed 700 jobs. In the private sector, educational and health services gained 3,000 jobs; professional and business services increased by 1,300 jobs; leisure and hospitality increased by 1,100 jobs; information and other services added 400 jobs each; and natural resources and construction increased by 100 jobs. Trade, transportation, and utilities lost 400 jobs and manufacturing lost 100 jobs. Financial activities was unchanged over the month. In the public sector, the federal government lost 800 jobs, the District government gained 100 jobs and transportation was unchanged.

The District gained a total of 8,900 jobs in the last 12 months. The private sector added 10,700 jobs while the public sector lost 1,800 jobs. Private sector growth occurred in professional and business services (up by 4,100 jobs), educational and health services (up by 3,300 jobs), leisure and hospitality (up by 3,100 jobs), trade, transportation, and utilities and financial activities (up by 400 jobs each), and information (up by 100 jobs). Losses were noted in natural resources and construction (down by 500 jobs) and manufacturing (down by 200 jobs). Other services were unchanged over the year. In the public sector, the federal government lost 1,800 jobs and transportation lost 300 jobs while the District government gained 300 jobs.

Washington Metropolitan Division December 2005



Total wage and salary employment in the Washington Metropolitan Division increased over the month in February 2006 by 11,200. The private sector increased by 8,400 jobs and the public sector gained 2,800 jobs. Private sector gains were registered in professional and business services and educational and health services (up by 4,400 jobs each), leisure and hospitality (up by 1,700 jobs), information (up by 600 jobs), other services (up by 500 jobs), natural resources, mining and construction (up by 300 jobs), financial activities (up by 200 jobs), and manufacturing (up by 100 jobs). Trade, transportation, and utilities lost 3,800 jobs. In the public sector, state government added 3,000 jobs; local government gained 1,300 jobs; and the federal government lost 1,500 jobs.

The Washington Metropolitan Division gained 58,400 jobs during the last 12 months. The private sector gained 52,100 jobs and the public sector added 6,300 jobs. Private sector gains were registered in professional and business services (up by 24,200 jobs), natural resources, mining and construction (up by 8,300 jobs), leisure and hospitality (up by 7,400 jobs), educational and health services (up by 6,900 jobs), trade, transportation, and utilities (up by 4,400 jobs), financial activities (up by 1,900 jobs), and other services (up by 1,400 jobs). Information lost 2,400 jobs while manufacturing was unchanged. Local government gained 7,300 jobs and state government added 800 jobs while the federal government lost 1,800 jobs.

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Unemployment Rates (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

	Feb. '06 ^P	Jan. '06 ^r	Feb. '05 ^a
U.S.A.	5.1	5.1	5.8
Washington, DC MSA	3.0	3.1	3.8
Washington, DC MD	3.0	3.1	3.9
D.C.	5.5	5.4	7.6

Unemployment Rates (Seasonally Adjusted)

	Feb. '06 ^P	Jan. '06 ^r	Feb. '05 ^a
U.S.A.	4.8	4.7	5.4
D.C.	5.3	5.4	7.0

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Employment Status for the D.C. Civilian Population

(Not Seasonally Adjusted)

	Feb. '06	Jan. '05	Feb. '05 ^a
Civilian Labor Force	291,900	290,700	298,200
Employment	275,800	274,800	275,400
Unemployment	16,100	15,800	22,800

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D.C. Metro Division Average Hours & Earnings

(of Production Workers in Manufacturing)

	Feb. '06 ^P	Jan. '06 ^r	Feb. '05 ^a
Weekly Earnings	\$643.97	\$659.06	\$668.74
Weekly Hours	38.7	39.3	38.7
Hourly Earnings	\$16.64	\$16.77	\$17.28

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Consumer Price Index, Annual Change in %

All items. All urban consumers.

	Feb. '06	Jan. '06	Feb. '05	Jan. '05
Wash.-Balt. DC-MD-VA-WV	na	4.1	na	3.6
U.S.A.	3.6	4.0	3.0	3.0

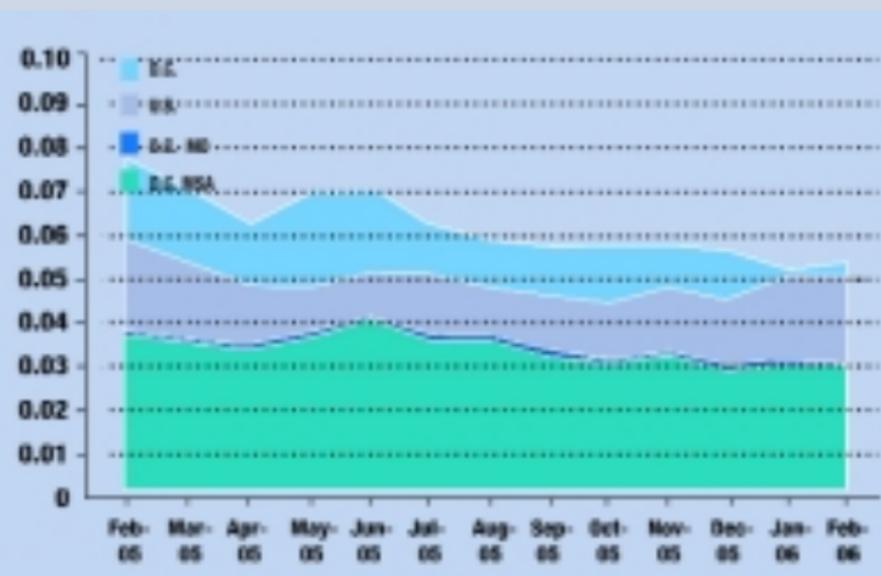
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(1982-84=100 for U.S. Nov. 1996=100 for Washington-Baltimore, DC-MD-VA-WV)

na: not available

Unemployment Rate

February 2005 to February 2006 (Not Seasonally Adjusted)



D.C. Wage and Salary Employment by Industry

(Not Seasonally Adjusted; In Thousands of Jobs)

	Feb. '06 ^p	Jan. '06 ^r	Feb. '05 ^a
Total	684.9	679.8	676.0
Total Private	455.5	449.7	444.8
Goods-Producing Industries	14.1	14.1	14.8
Manufacturing	2.0	2.1	2.2
Natural Resource, Mining & Construction	12.1	12.0	12.6
Service-Providing Industries	670.8	665.7	661.2
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	27.5	27.9	27.1
Wholesale Trade	4.6	4.6	4.6
Retail Trade	17.5	17.8	17.1
Transportation, Warehousing & Utilities	5.4	5.5	5.4
Information	23.1	22.7	23.0
Financial Activities	30.5	30.5	30.1
Professional & Business Services	149.6	148.3	145.5
Educational & Health Services	98.0	95.0	94.7
Leisure & Hospitality	54.6	53.5	51.5
Accommodation & Food Services	48.2	47.2	45.9
Other Services	58.1	57.7	58.1
Government	229.4	230.1	231.2
Federal Government	190.8	191.6	192.6
D.C. Government	34.0	33.9	33.7
Public Transportation	4.6	4.6	4.9

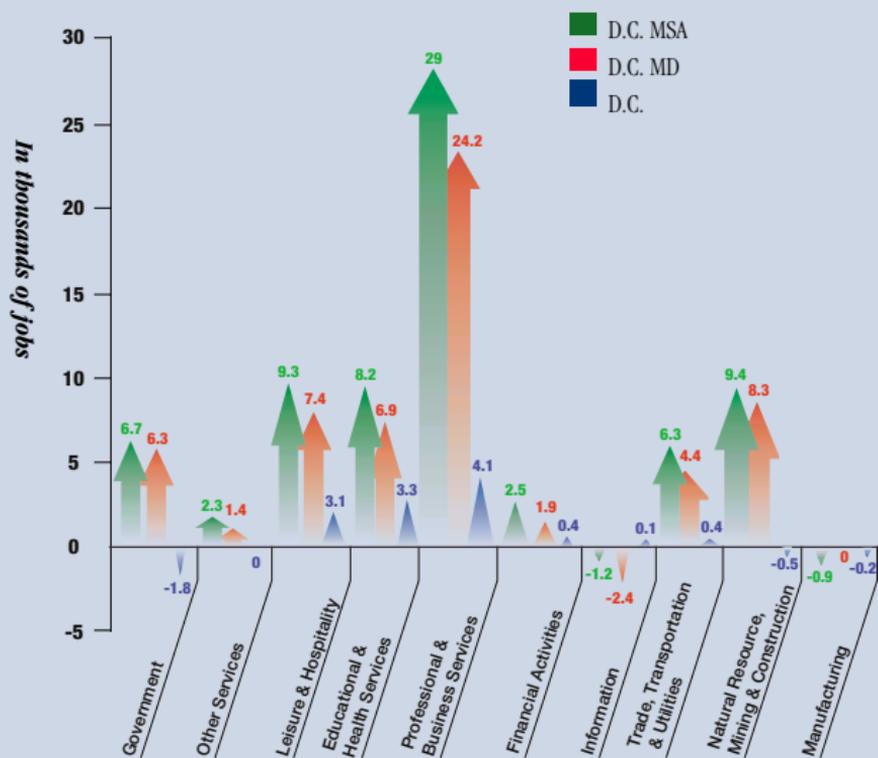
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Note: Wage and salary employment by industry is now based on the 2002 North American Industry Classification System (NAICS).

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Net Job Changes

February 2005 to February 2006



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

(Not Seasonally Adjusted; In Thousands of Jobs)

	Feb. '06 ^p	Jan. '06 ^r	Feb. '05 ^a
Total	2,361.6	2,350.4	2,303.2
Total Private	1,821.6	1,813.2	1,769.5
Goods-Producing Industries	188.4	188.0	180.1
Manufacturing	43.7	43.6	43.7
Natural Resource, Mining & Construction	144.7	144.4	136.4
Service-Providing Industries	2,173.2	2,162.4	2,123.1
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	320.7	324.5	316.3
Wholesale Trade	56.4	56.1	55.3
Retail Trade	205.9	209.7	201.3
Transportation, Warehousing & Utilities	58.4	58.7	59.7
Information	81.2	80.6	83.6
Financial Activities	116.4	116.2	114.5
Professional & Business Services	535.2	530.8	511.0
Educational & Health Services	248.2	243.8	241.3
Leisure & Hospitality	196.5	194.8	189.1
Accommodation & Food Services	173.0	171.6	167.2
Other Services	135.0	134.5	133.6
Government	540.0	537.2	533.7
Federal Government	292.9	294.4	294.7
State Government	73.9	70.9	73.1
Local Government	173.2	171.9	165.9

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

(Not Seasonally Adjusted; In Thousands of Jobs)

	Feb. '06 ^p	Jan. '06 ^r	Feb. '05 ^a
Total	2,932.5	2,920.60	2,860.9
Total Private	2,298.1	2,289.8	2,233.2
Goods-Producing Industries	249.1	248.7	240.6
Manufacturing	64.3	64.1	65.2
Natural Res., Mining & Const.	184.8	184.6	175.4
Service-Providing Industries	2,683.4	2,671.3	2,620.3
Trade, Transpo. & Utilities	404.9	409.8	398.6
Wholesale Trade	72.0	71.6	70.8
Retail Trade	267.8	272.8	261.4
Transportation, Warehousing & Utilities	65.1	65.4	66.4
Information	99.2	98.6	100.4
Financial Activities	161.3	160.9	158.8
Professional & Business Services	654.7	649.4	625.7
Educational & Health Services	318.7	314.0	310.5
Leisure & Hospitality	243.6	242.4	234.3
Accommodation & Food Services	213.7	212.1	205.8
Other Services	166.6	166.0	164.3
Government	634.4	630.2	627.7
Federal Government	335.6	337.2	338.1

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Top 30 High Demand Occupations in D.C.

	Average Annual Openings	Mean Hourly Wage
Management Analysts	798	\$37.26
Lawyers	615	\$63.26
Janitors and Cleaners, except Maids Housekeeping Cleaners	600	\$10.74
Combined Food Preparation and Serving Workers, including Fast Food	519	\$9.29
General and Operations Managers	477	\$49.69
Waiters and Waitresses	467	\$8.01
Cashiers	386	\$10.62
Security Guards	380	\$12.86
Accountants and Auditors	379	\$31.31
Office Clerks, General	372	\$13.67
Retail Salespersons	342	\$11.34
Computer Systems Analysts	295	\$38.22
Secretaries, except Legal, Medical, and Executive	291	\$18.43
Executive Secretaries and Administrative Assistants	279	\$20.58
Receptionists and Information Clerks	262	\$13.30
Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners	247	\$11.77
Administrative Services Managers	242	\$36.06
First-Line Supervisors/Managers of Office and Admin. Support Workers	242	\$33.68
Registered Nurses	232	\$28.04
Chief Executives	212	\$74.50
Paralegals and Legal Assistants	212	\$22.05
Legal Secretaries	206	\$25.84
Customer Service Representatives	195	\$15.25
Economists	168	\$45.11
Public Relations Specialists	161	\$36.71
Writers and Authors	155	\$27.59
Real Estate Sales Agents	151	\$29.92
Computer Support Specialists	145	\$22.13
Food Preparation Workers	145	\$9.77
Child Care Workers	142	\$9.63

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, November 2004

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