

District of Columbia Employment Situation Summary

National Employment Data

- Since President Biden took office, 5,583,000 jobs have been created nationwide, an average of 620,000 created each month.
- In the month of October, the latest for which national data are available, 531,000 jobs were created and the unemployment rate dropped to 4.6%, reaching a new pandemic-era low.
- The unemployment rate went down for adult men (4.3%). The unemployment rates among adult women (4.4%), white workers (4.0%), Asian workers (4.2%), Hispanic workers (5.9%) and Black workers (7.9%) remained stable.

State Employment Data

- Since President Biden took office, 27,000 jobs have been created in District of Columbia.
- In the month of October, the latest for which state-level data are available, 6,800 jobs were created in District of Columbia.

Sector	Change in Total Jobs in October	Jobs Recovered	Change in Total Jobs Since January
Total Nonfarm, District of Columbia	6,800	48%	27,000
Professional and Business Services, District of Columbia	4,100	72%	6,000
Leisure and Hospitality, District of Columbia	1,900	50%	19,000
Education and Health Services, District of Columbia	300	59%	3,000
Retail Trade, District of Columbia	300	46%	0
Construction, District of Columbia	100	115%	400
Government, District of Columbia	100	575%	200
Manufacturing, District of Columbia	0	33%	0

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

Note: Positive change reflects net job creation. "Recovered" refers to the share of jobs recovered since the pandemic low point as a share of jobs lost during the pandemic. Jobs lost during the pandemic are measured as the difference between the number of jobs in the industry in February 2020 and the number at the "low point" of the pandemic--the month with the fewest people employed in a given industry. The month of the low point varies by industry.

District of Columbia Unemployment Rate

State and national unemployment rates, since January 2020

