

# Fairfax County: Five Major Forces Shaping Its Economic Evolution

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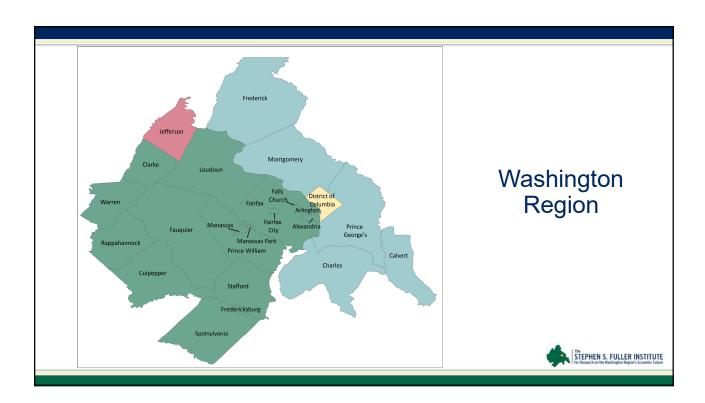
#### The Washington Metropolitan Area from The International Space Station, January 20, 2013





### 1. The Region's geography, geology and historic development pattern





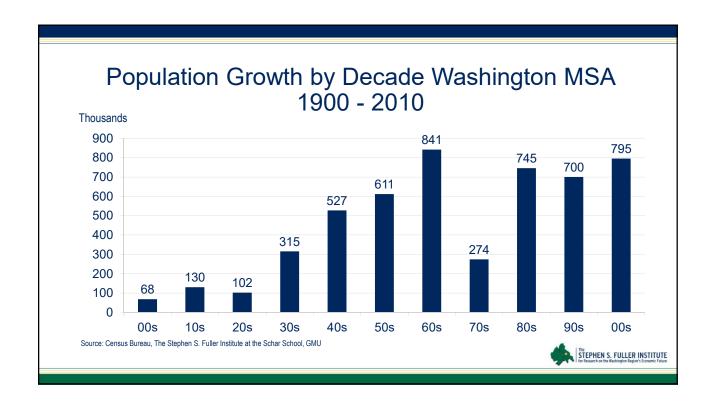


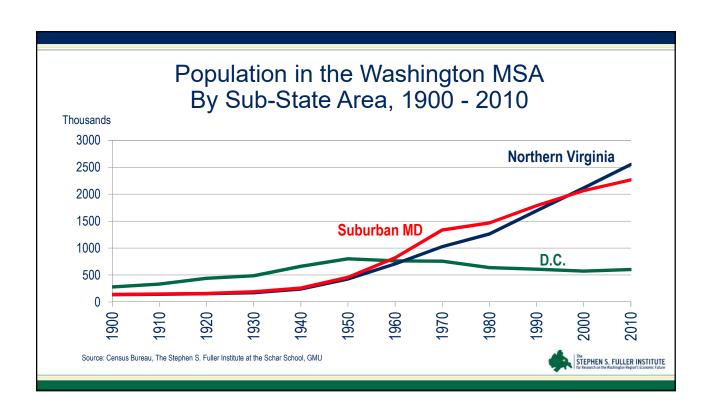
#### Population and Federal Employment Growth In the Washington Area, 1800-2000

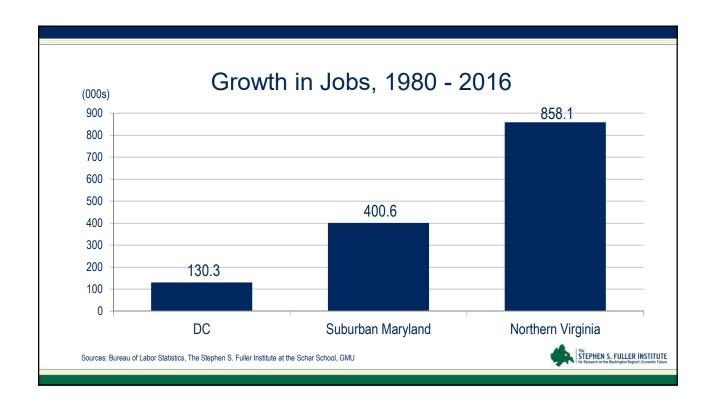
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Years	DC	Metro Area	Federal Employees
1800	8,144	63,653*	131**
1860	75,080	141,215*	
1870	131,700	203,108*	6,222**
1900	278,718	378,605*	20,834**
1930	486,869	672,198	68,510**
1940	663,091	967,985	133,645**
1950	802,178	1,452,349	214,077**
1980	638,333	3,426,648	364,697
1990	606,900	4,157,327	368,120
2000	572,059	4,837,428	326,008
2010	601,723	5,636,232	380,268
2015	672,228	6,097,684	363,952

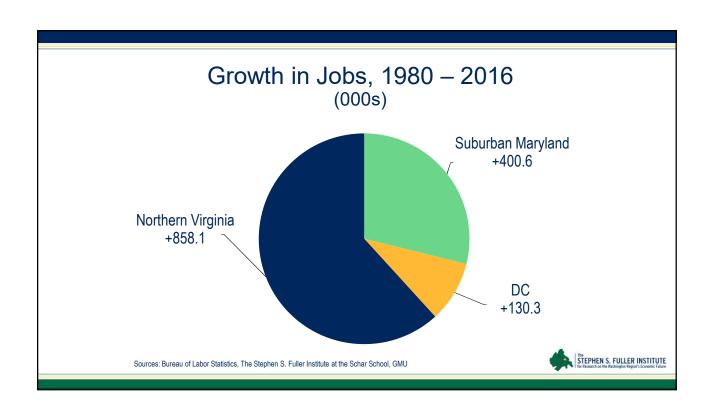
Source: Census Bureau, Bureau of Labor Statistics QCEW, The Stephen S. Fuller Institute at the Schar School, GMU \* DC, Alexandria, Arlington, Fairfax, Montgomery, Prince George's, \*\* DC only

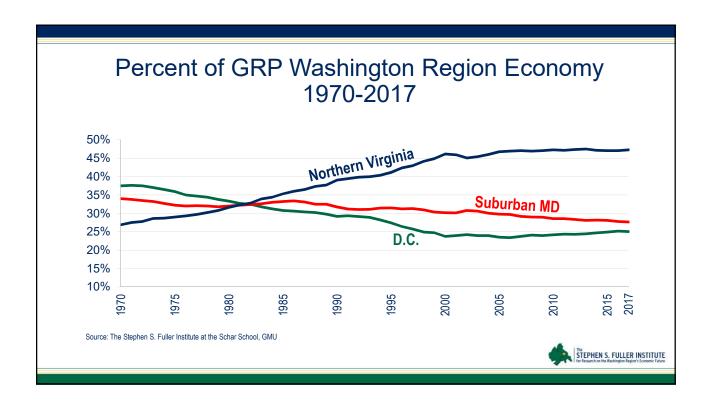






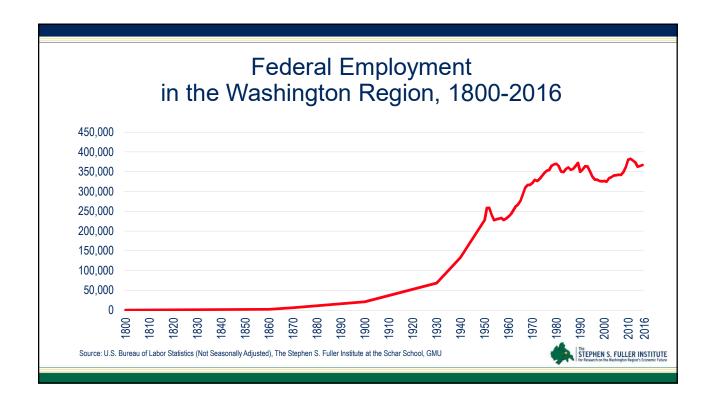


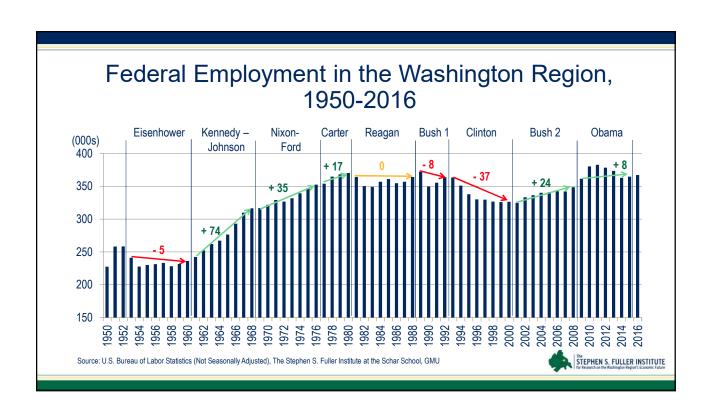


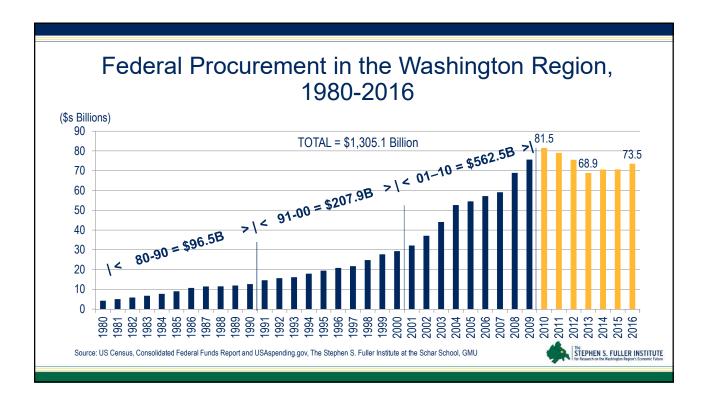


## 2. Growth of the Washington Region as the "Capital of the Free World"



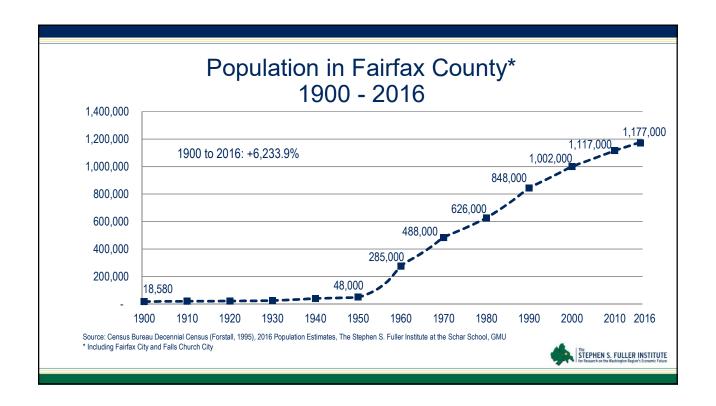


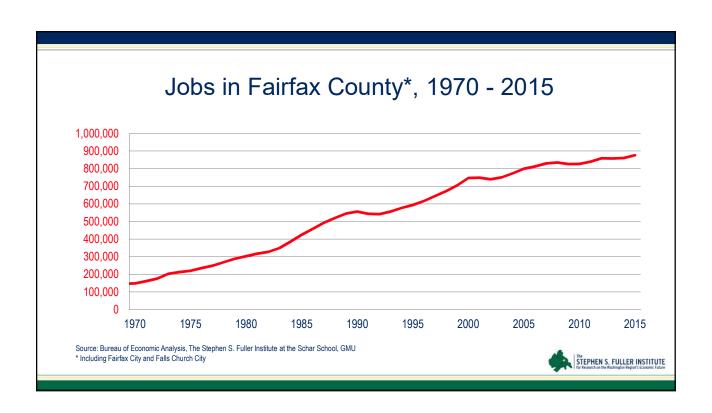


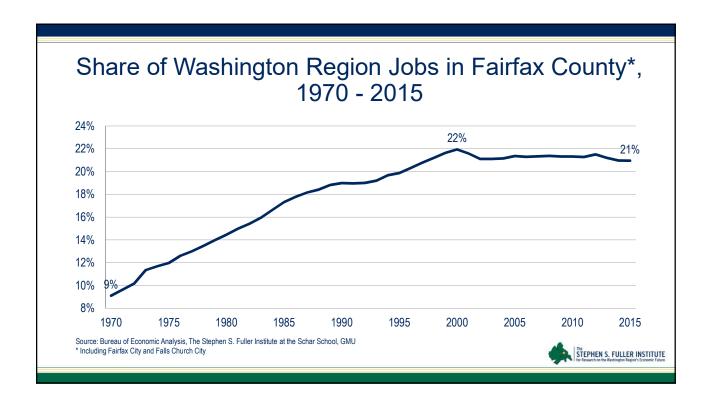


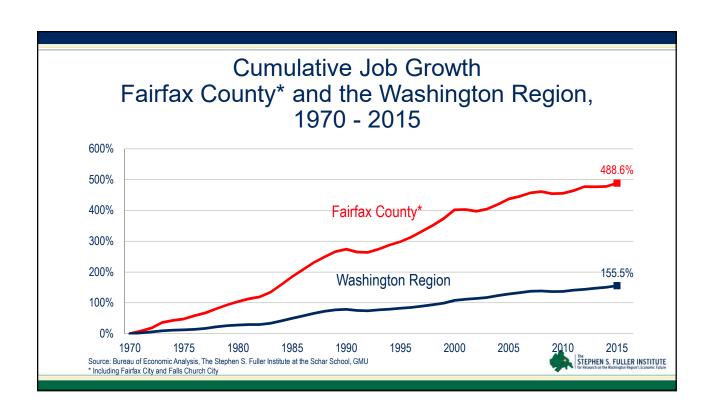
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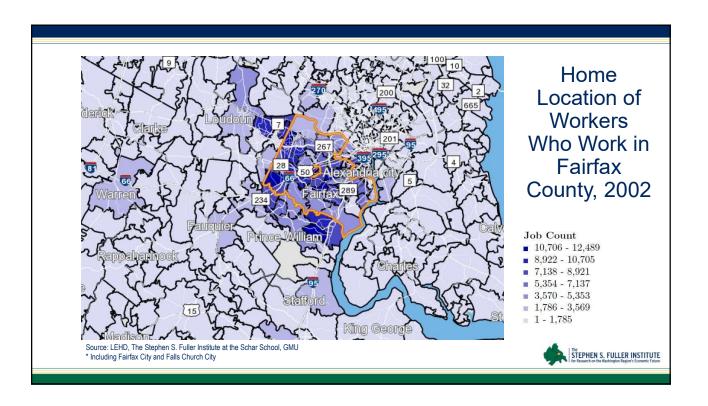


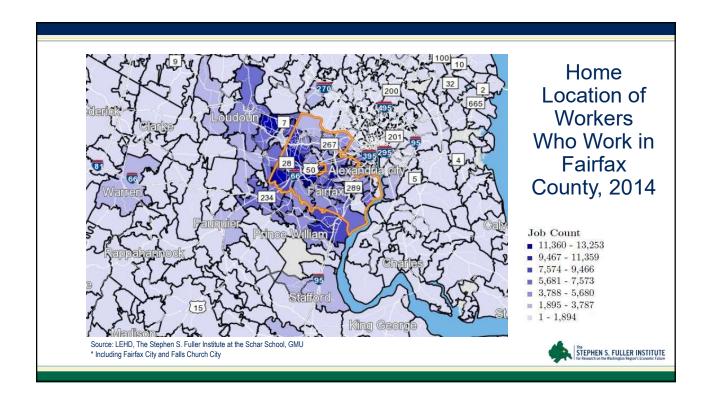






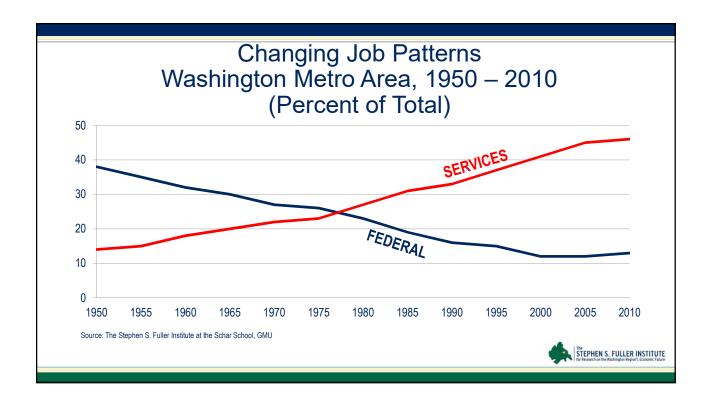






### 4. The Changing Structure of the Washington Region's economy



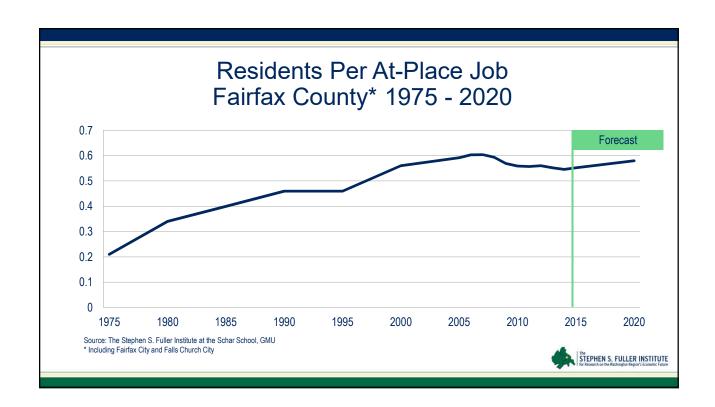


#### Employed Residents in Fairfax\* County, 1930 - 2016

	Employed Residents				1930 – 2016 Change	
	1930	1940	1950	2016	#	%
Farm**	2,704	2,015	1,588	979	- 1,725	- 63.8%
Non-Farm**	7,049	12,224	31,134	623,058	616,009	8,739.0%
Total	9,753	14,239	32,722	624,037	614,284	6,298.4%
Farm as % of Total	27.7%	14.2%	4.9%	0.2%	- 27.6 pct pts	- 99.4%

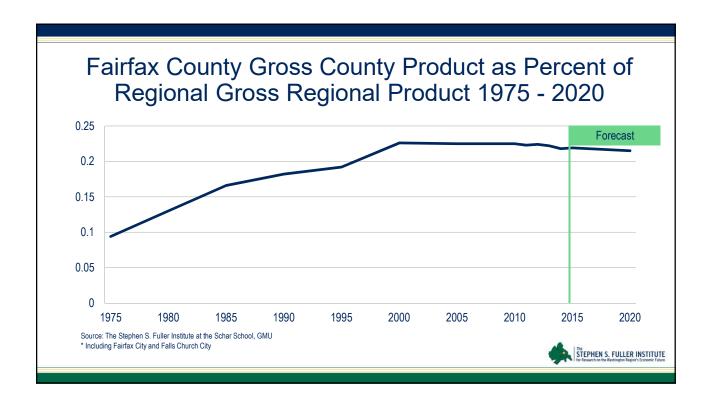
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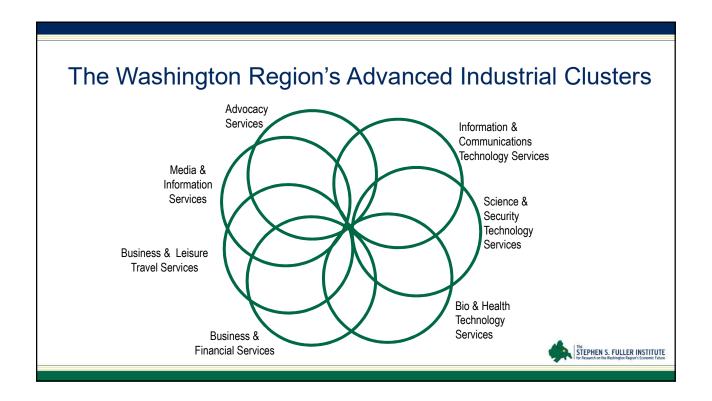
<sup>\*</sup> Including Fairfax City and Falls Church City

\*\* Farm includes Agriculture, Natural Resources and Fishing



#### 5. Globalization, Technology, and the Rise of the Knowledge-Based Economy





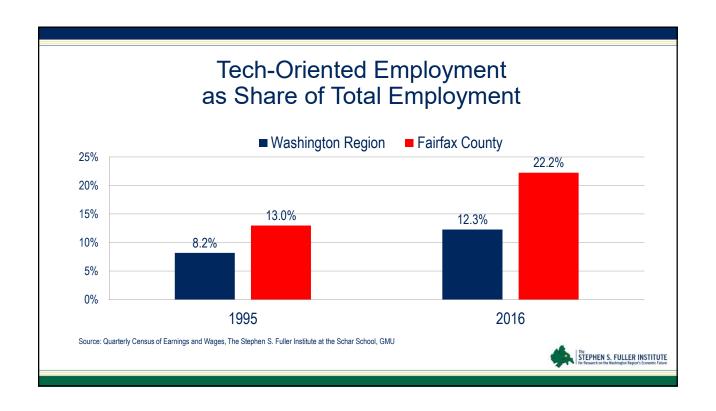
#### The Washington Region's Advanced Industrial Clusters Job Growth Forecast

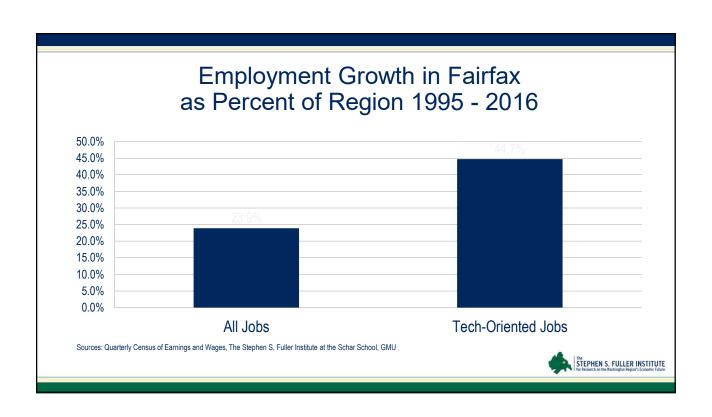
<u>Clusters</u>	2014-2025 Job Forecast			
	Low	<u>%</u>	<u>High</u>	<u>%</u>
Advocacy Services	122,303	5.7	138,868	20.0
Info & Comm. Tech	213,621	4.5	224,872	10.0
Sci & Security Tech	135,707	9.6	147,104	18.8
Bio & Health Tech	58,388	5.4	67,929	22.6
Business & Fin. Serv.	218,851	15.1	269,053	41.5
Media & Info Services	36,292	1.5	41,667	16.6
Business & Leisure T.	87,807	2.2	91,512	6.5
All Clusters	872,969	7.6	981,005	20.9
All Jobs in WMA	3,092,270 <sup>1</sup>	4.0	3,402,570 <sup>1</sup>	14.4

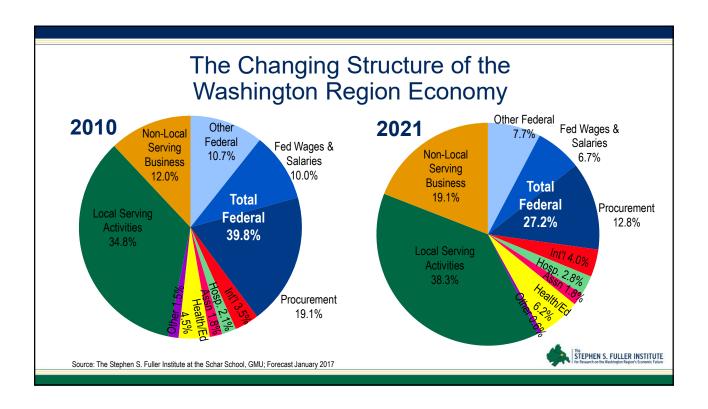
Source: Inforum, University of Maryland, December 2015

<sup>1</sup>Reflects narrower definition used in QCEW jobs data









#### **Thank You & Questions**

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