The Washington Region’s Economy in 2018 and Its Outlook for 2019 and Beyond

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Washington Region: 2018 in Review

1. Federal Government Disruptions
2. Amazon Announcement
3. Improving Mix of Jobs
Economic Trends in the Washington Region

Job Change in the Washington Region
2000 – 2018 (in thousands)

Sources: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (Not Seasonally Adjusted), The Stephen S. Fuller Institute at the Schar School, GMU
*Preliminary
Federal Job Change in the Washington Region
2000 – 2018 (in thousands)

Job Change in the Washington Region
2000 – 2018 (in thousands)

Sources: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (Not Seasonally Adjusted), The Stephen S. Fuller Institute at the Schar School, GMU
*Preliminary
Growth Rates of the U.S. and Washington Region’s Advanced Industrial Clusters, 2015-2017

Sources: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (QCEW), The Stephen S. Fuller Institute at the Schar School, GMU

Washington MSA Job Change by Sector 2017 - 2018

Total = 52,100

Ranked by Size in 2017
Professional & Business Services 16.0
Education & Health Services 8.2
Federal Govt 7.2
State & Local Govt 5.3
Leisure & Hospitality 2.2
Retail Trade 1.6
Other Services 3.3
Construction 0.8
Financial Activities 0.2
Information Services 0.6
Transportation & Utilities 2.5
Wholesale Trade 2.5
Manufacturing 2.5

Sources: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (Not Seasonally Adjusted), The Stephen S. Fuller Institute at the Schar School, GMU
Job Changes by Sub-State Areas

Job Change in the District of Columbia
2000 – 2018 (in thousands)

2000-2017 Avg: +9,060

Sources: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (Not Seasonally Adjusted), IHS Markit, The Stephen S. Fuller Institute at the Schar School, GMU
District of Columbia Job Change by Sector
2017 – 2018

Ranked by Size in 2017
Federal Govt
Prof.& Business Services
Edu. & Health Services
Leisure & Hospitality
Other Services
State & Local Govt
Financial Activities
Retail Trade
Information
Construction
Transportation & Utilities
Wholesale Trade
Manufacturing

Total = 4,700

Sources: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (Not Seasonally Adjusted), The Stephen S. Fuller Institute at the Schar School, GMU

Job Change in Suburban Maryland
2000 – 2018 (in thousands)

2000-2017 Avg: +6,320

Sources: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (Not Seasonally Adjusted), IHS Markit, The Stephen S. Fuller Institute at the Schar School, GMU
Suburban Maryland Job Change by Sector 2017 – 2018

Ranked by Size in 2017
- Prof.& Business Services
- State & Local Govt
- Edu. & Health Services
- Retail Trade
- Leisure & Hospitality
- Federal Govt
- Construction
- Other Services
- Financial Activities
- Manufacturing
- Wholesale Trade
- Transportation & Utilities
- Information Services

Total = 9,400

Sources: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (Not Seasonally Adjusted), The Stephen S. Fuller Institute at the Schar School, GMU

Job Change in Northern Virginia 2000 – 2018 (in thousands)

2000-2017 Avg: +20,580

Sources: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (Not Seasonally Adjusted), IHS Markit, The Stephen S. Fuller Institute at the Schar School, GMU
Northern Virginia Job Change by Sector
2017 – 2018

Ranked by Size in 2017
- Prof.& Business Services 3.3
- Edu. & Health Services 3.8
- State & Local Govt 1.9
- Leisure & Hospitality 2.1
- Retail Trade 2.0
- Federal Govt 0.9
- Other Services 0.3
- Financial Activities
- Construction
- Transportation & Utilities
- Information Services
- Wholesale Trade
- Manufacturing

Total = 21,100

Sources: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (Not Seasonally Adjusted), The Stephen S. Fuller Institute at the Schar School, GMU

The Economic Outlook
Employment Change by Sub-State Area (000s)

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Average Annual Change 2000-2017 = 38,800

Source: BLS, IHS Economics, The Stephen S. Fuller Institute at the Schar School, GMU (forecast as of January 2019)

NOTE: The regional totals include Jefferson, WV. Sub-state areas re-weighted to sum to region-wide total. *Preliminary

Job Change in the Washington Region Select Sectors: 2018 - 2030

Source: IHS Economics; The Stephen S. Fuller Institute at the Schar School, GMU
Wildcards in 2019 and Beyond

1. Federal Shutdown(s?)
2. 2020 Recession?
3. Amazon’s Impact

Initial Claims for Unemployment by State

Sources: U.S. Department of Labor, The Stephen S. Fuller Institute at the Schar School, GMU
U.S. GDP and Washington MSA GRP
2007 – 2018 – 2022
(Annual % Change)

Forecast

Sources: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis, IHS Markit (January 2019), The Stephen S. Fuller Institute at the Schar School, GMU
Forecast as of January 2019
Job Change in the Washington Region
2000 – 2018 (in thousands)

HQ2 Avg: +2,366 over 16 years
(= 7% of 2002-2017 net change)

Sources: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (Not Seasonally Adjusted), The Stephen S. Fuller Institute at the Schar School, GMU
*First ten months
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