



Washington Area Economy: Performance and Outlook

Presentation to Arlington Economic Development

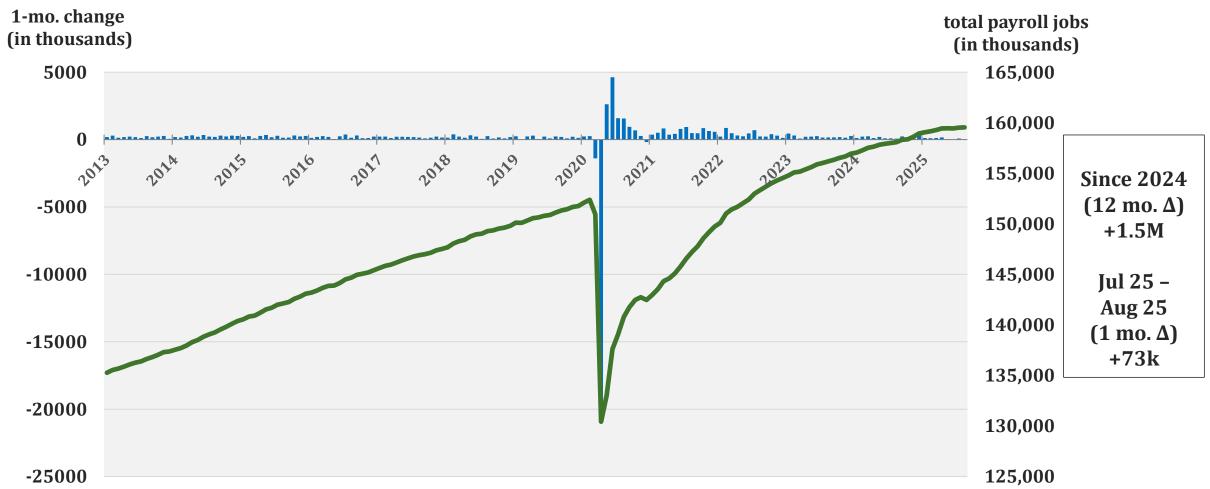
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U.S. Payroll Jobs

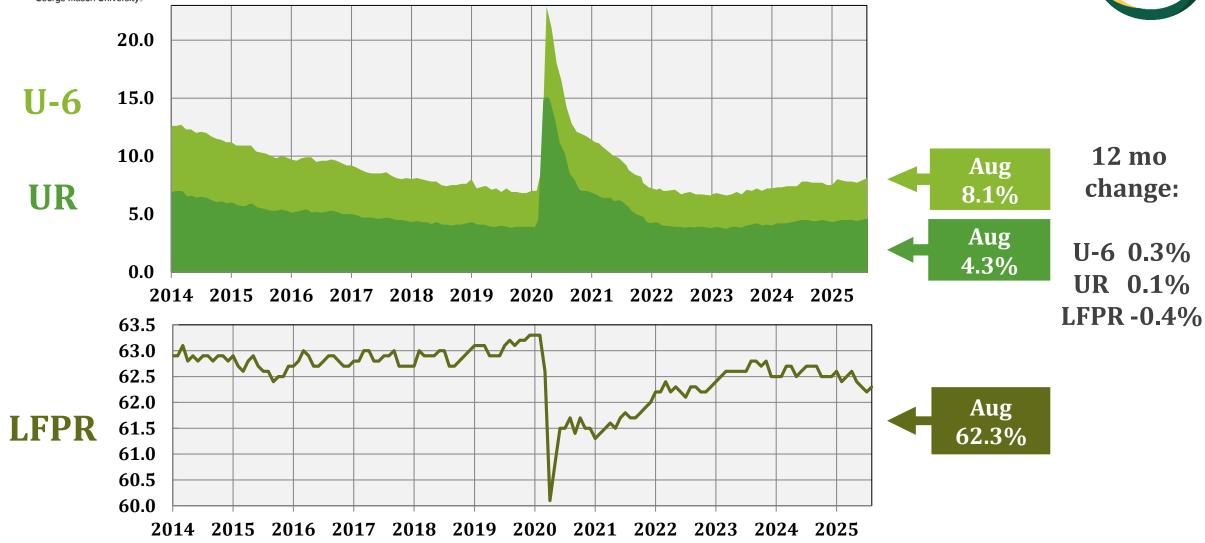






U. S. Unemployment

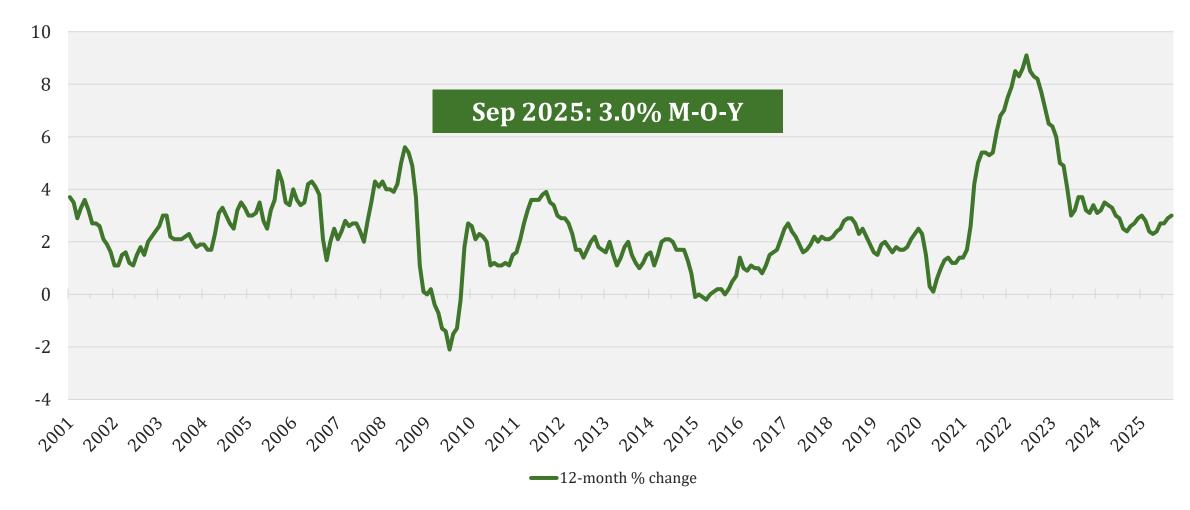






Monthly Consumer Prices 2001 - 2025





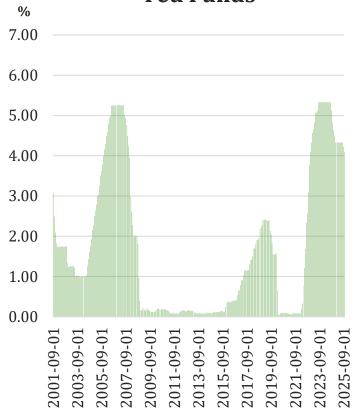


Interest Rates

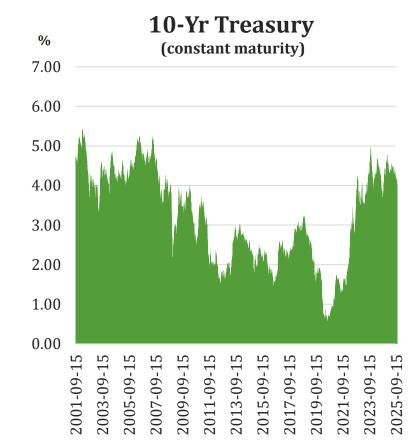
2001 - 2025



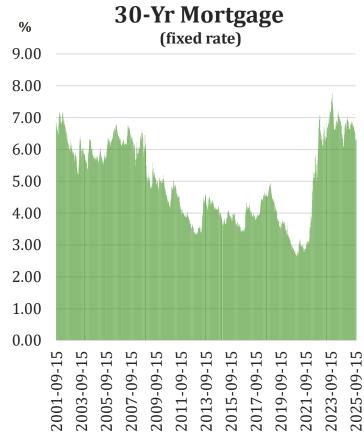




10/25: 4.09 10/24: 4.83



11/6/25: 4.11 11/6/24: 4.42

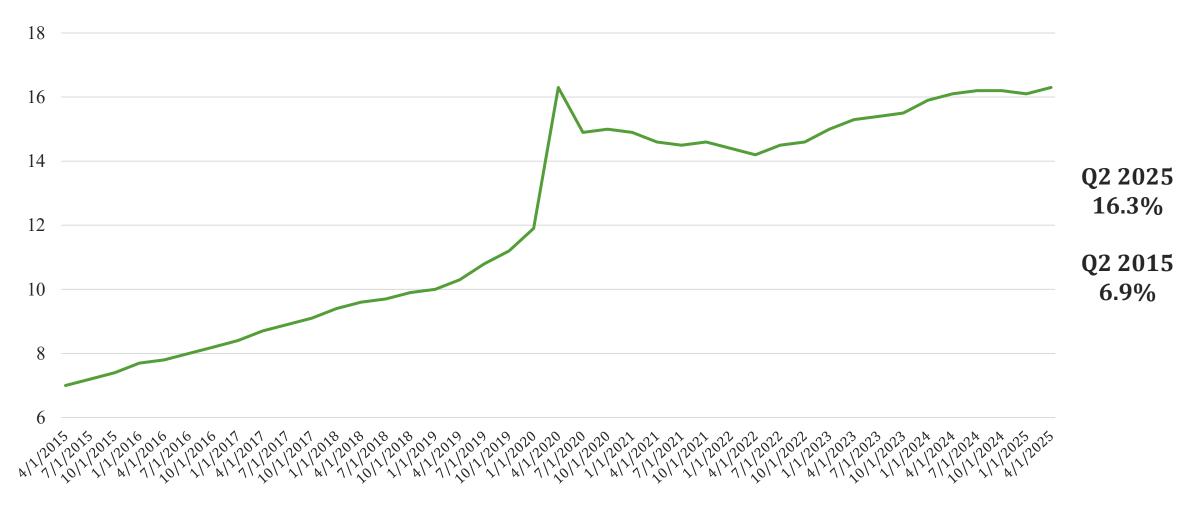


11/7/25: 6.79 11/6/25: 6.22



E-Commerce Retail Sales as a Percent of Total Sales US









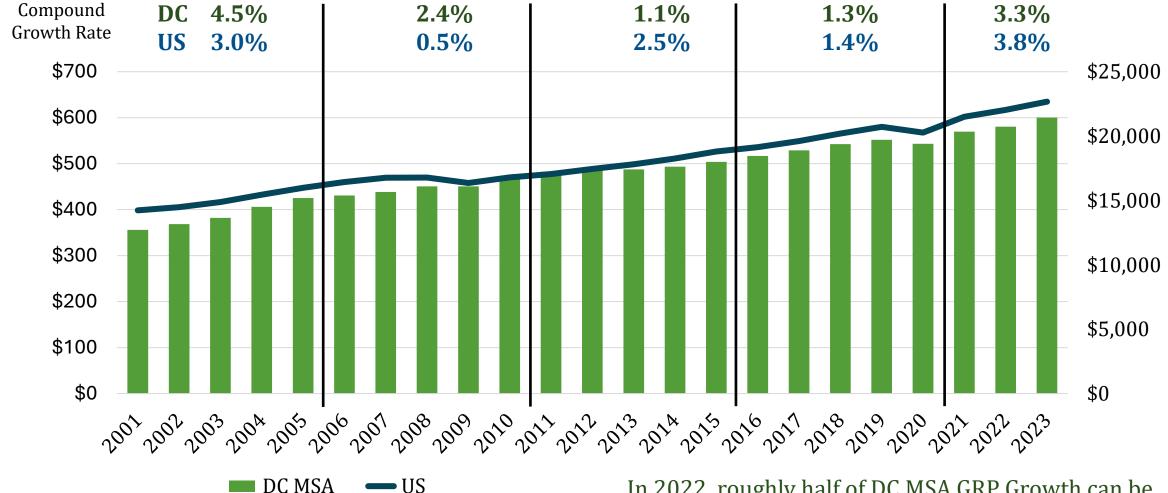
The Washington Economy



GDP: U.S. & DC Metro

2001 - 2023 (Billions, \$2017)



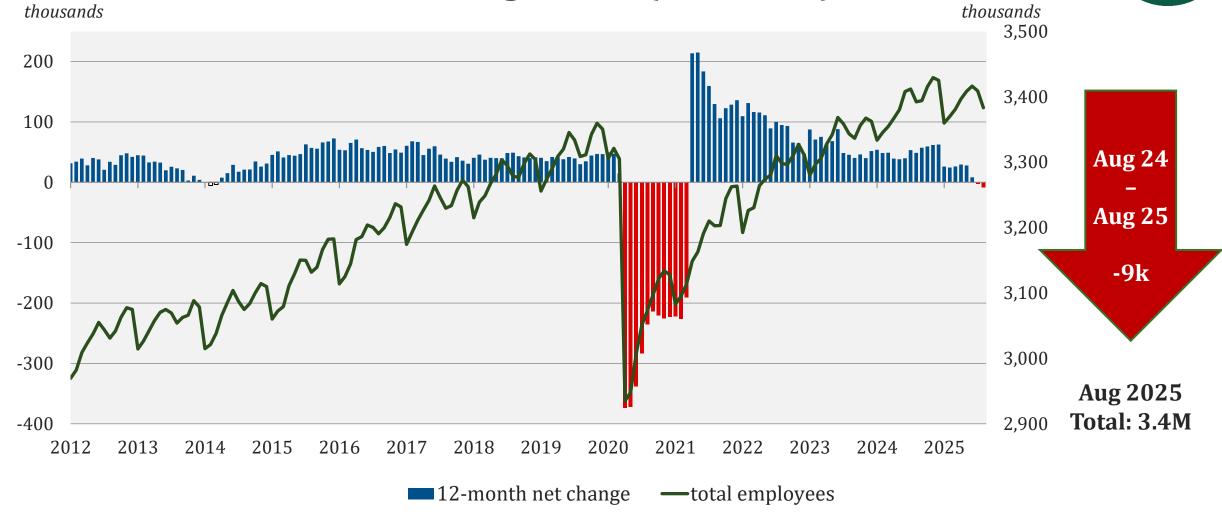


In 2022, roughly half of DC MSA GRP Growth can be attributed to data centers built that year in Loudoun



Annual Job ChangeWashington MSA (2012-2025)

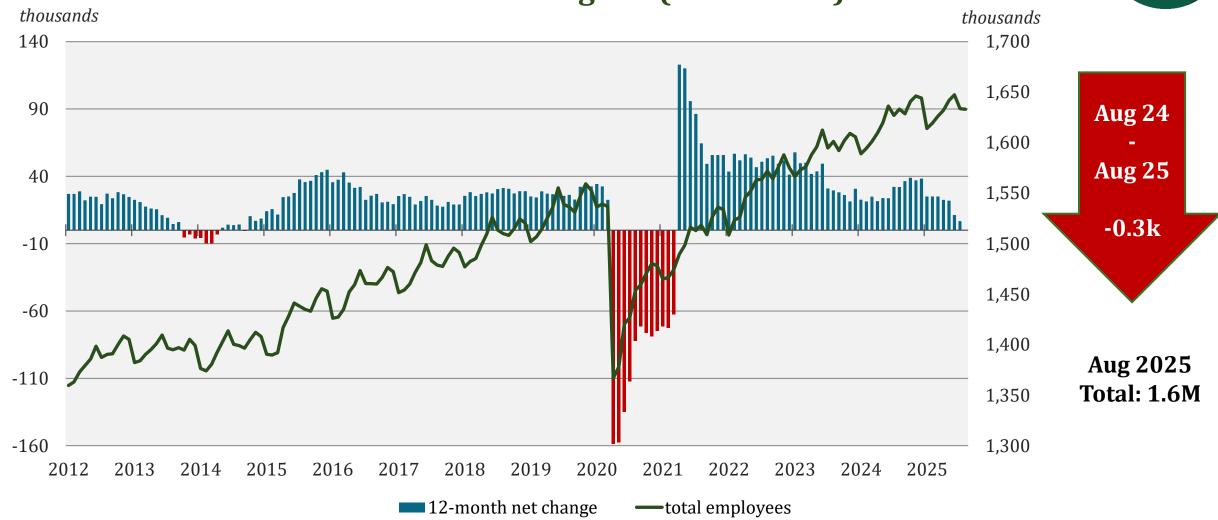






Annual Job Change Northern Virginia (2012-2025)







Job Change by Sector Washington MSA

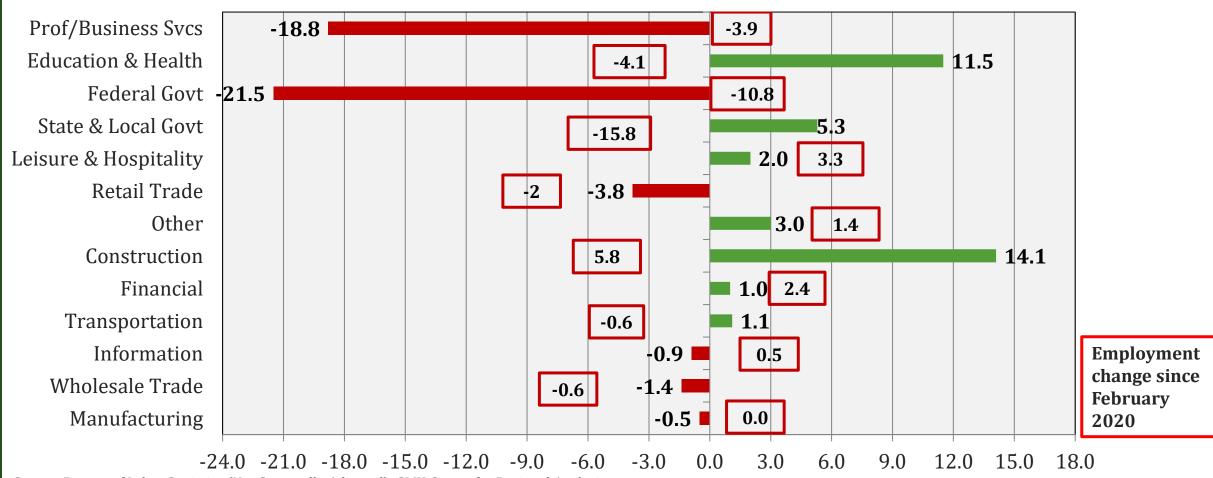
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Total = -8.9k

(000s)

(Ranked by Size in 2024)

Aug 2024 - Aug 2025

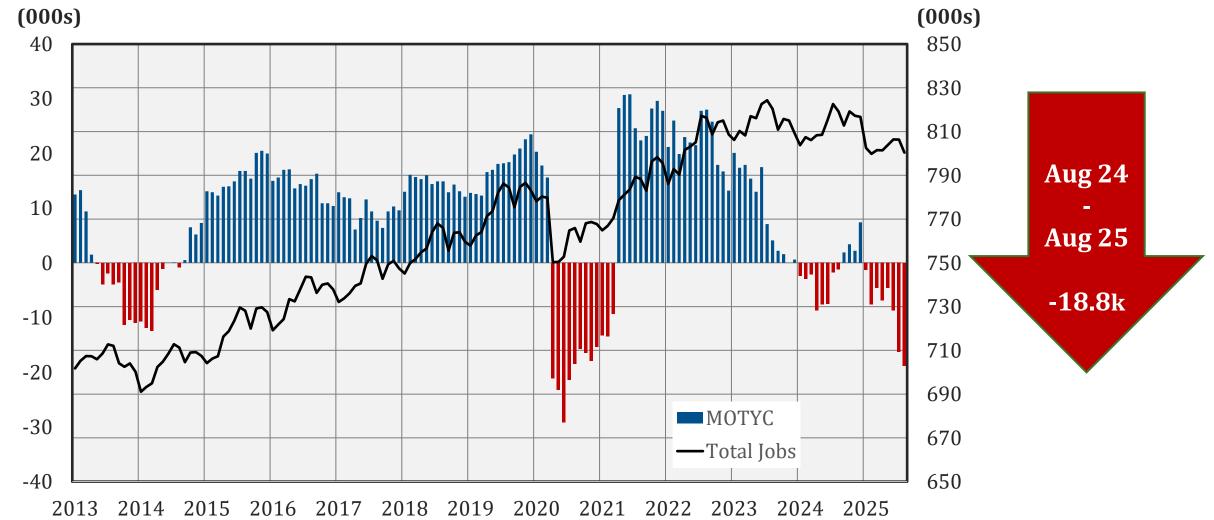


Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics (Not Seasonally Adjusted), GMU Center for Regional Analysis



Professional & Business Services Washington MSA

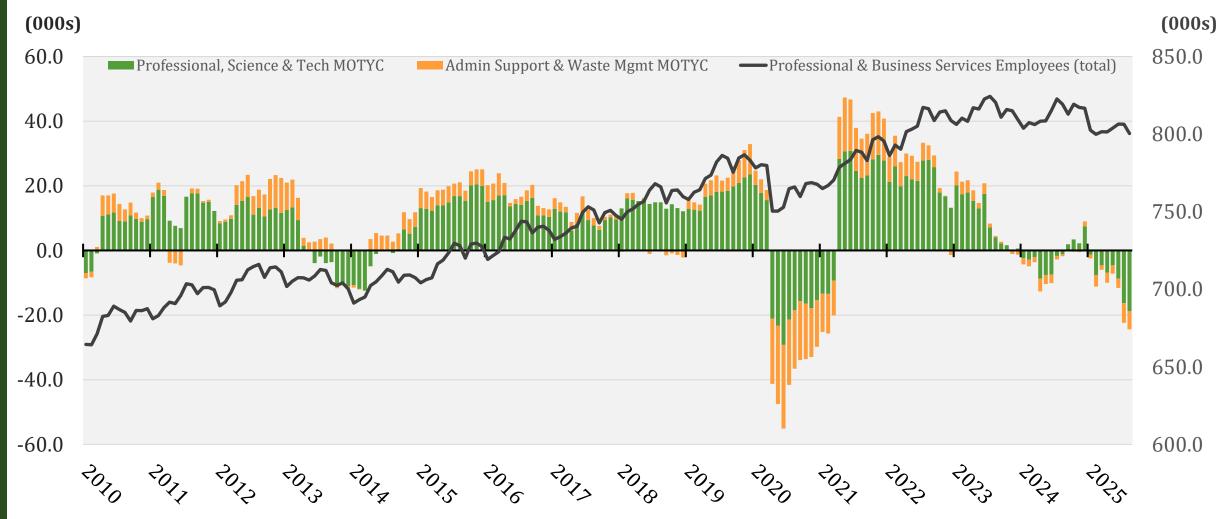






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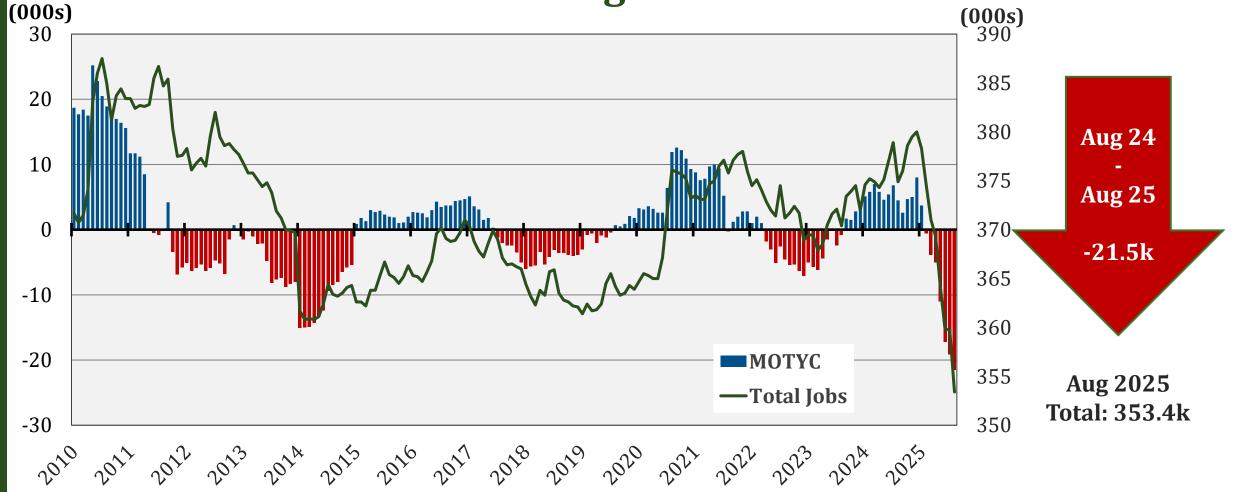






Federal Government Washington MSA



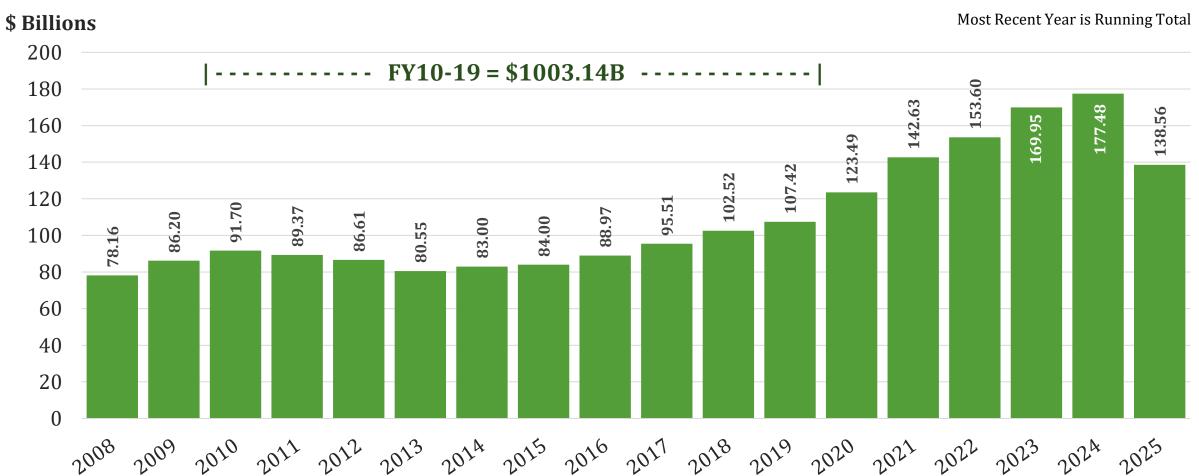




Federal Procurement Spending in the Washington MSA



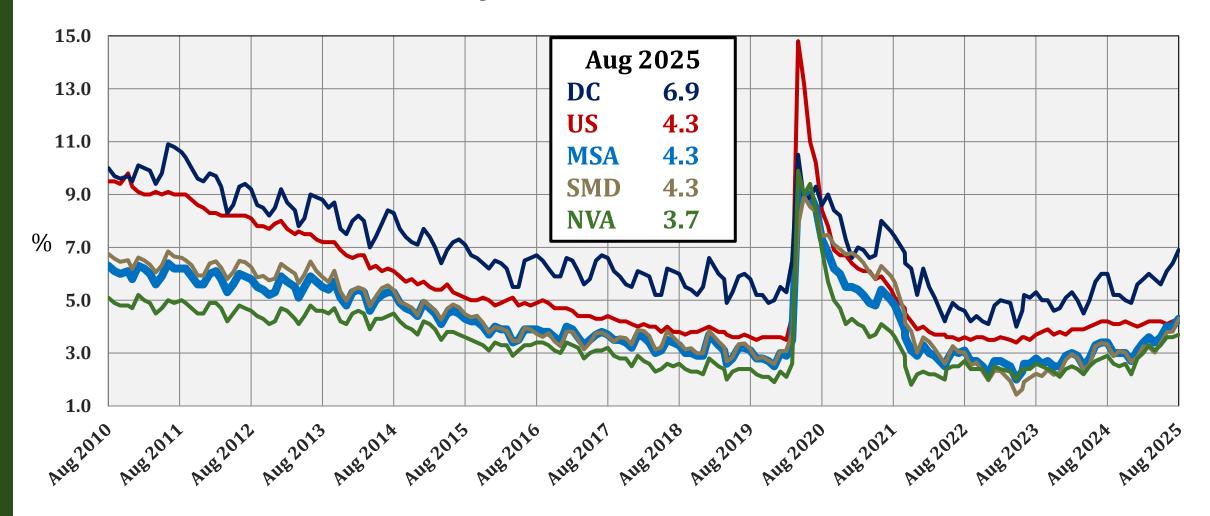
Fiscal Years 2008-2025





Unemployment Rates in the WMSA By Sub-State Area



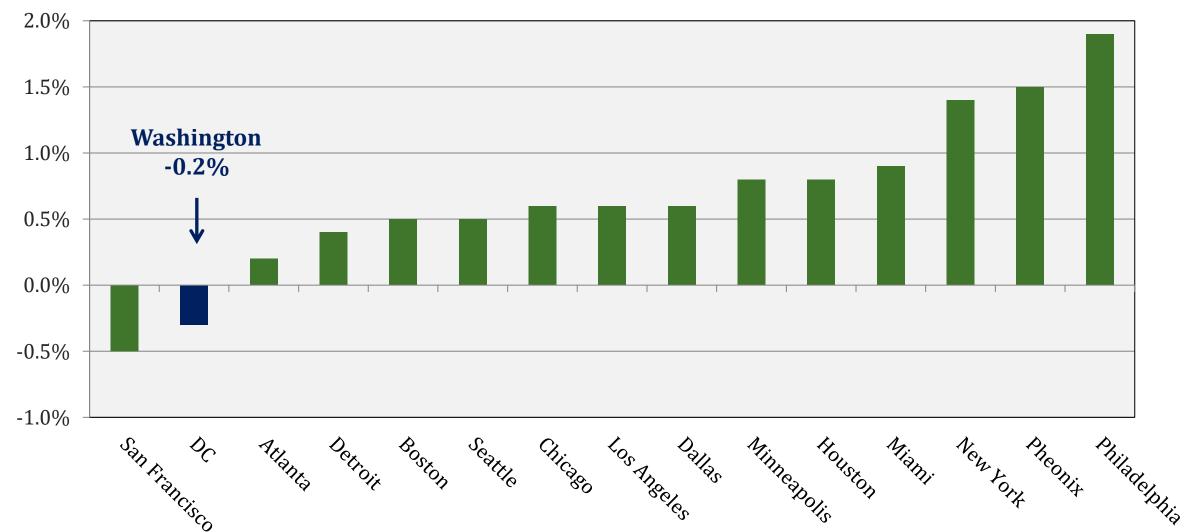




15 Largest Job Markets: Job Change

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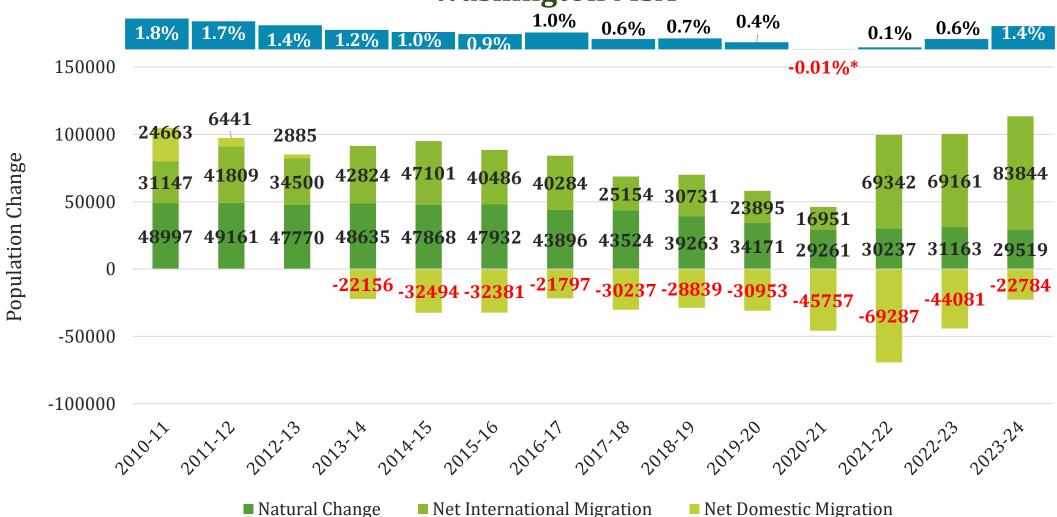
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Elements of Population ChangeWashington MSA



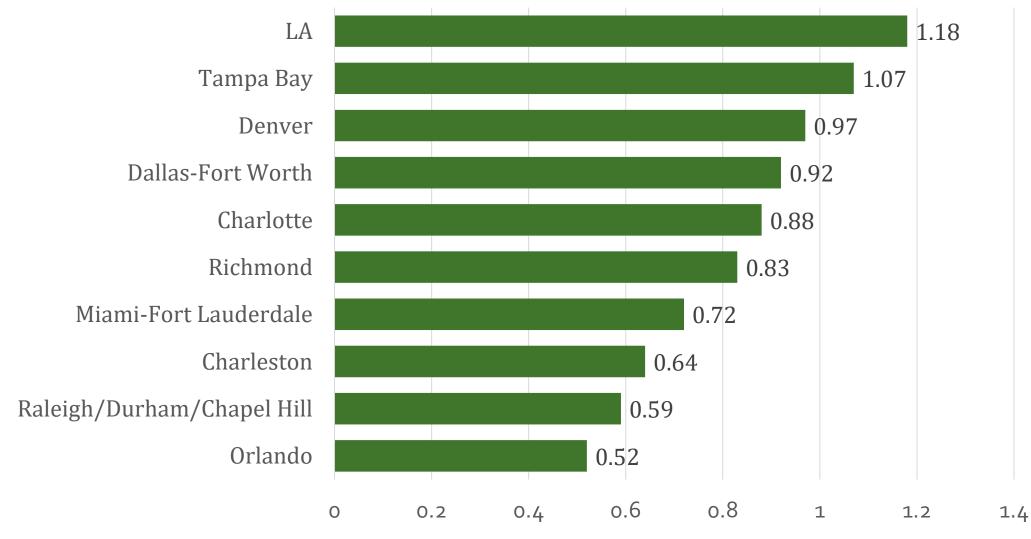




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LinkedIn – Washington DC Outmigration 2023 Population Loss Per 10,000 Members

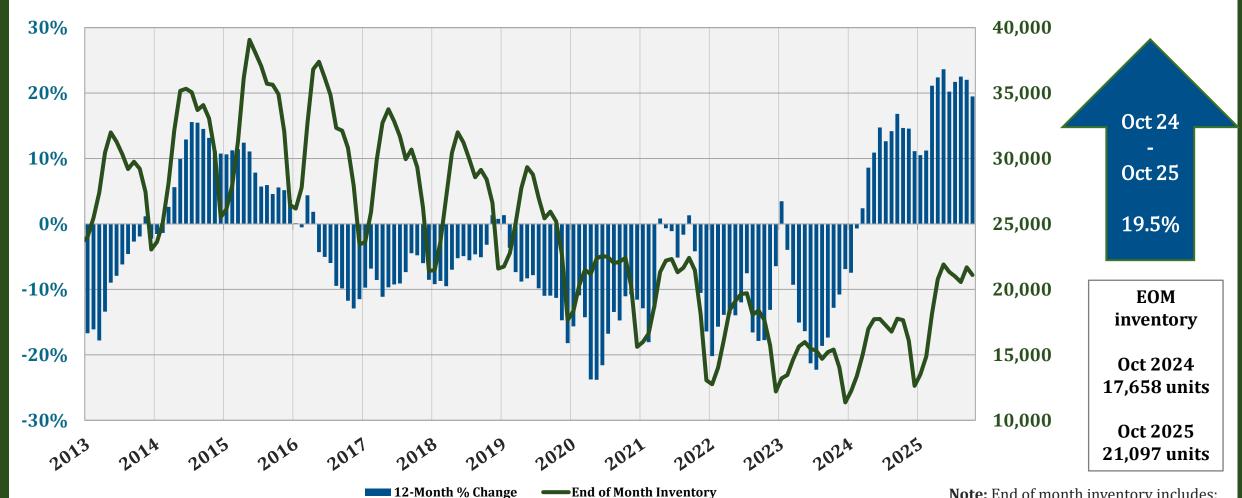






Inventories of Existing HomesWashington MSA MOTYC (2013-2025)





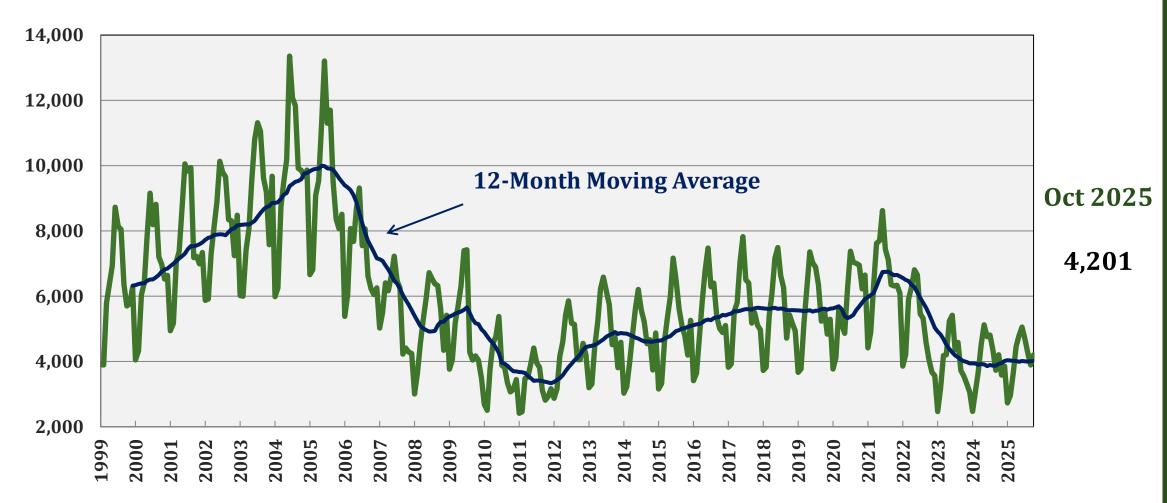
Note: End of month inventory includes: (1) All Pending Listings and (2) Active Listings.



Existing Home Sales





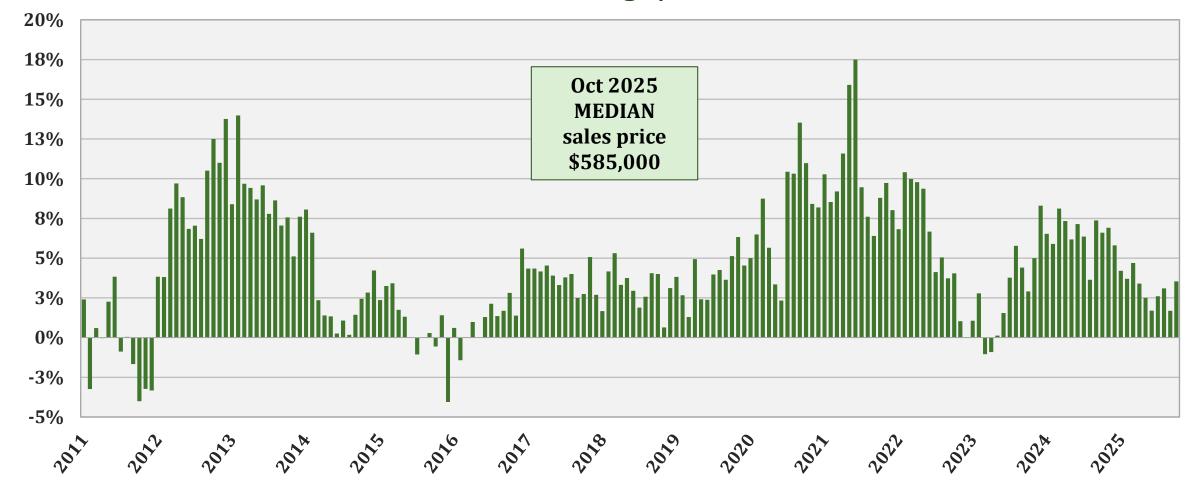




Median Sales Price



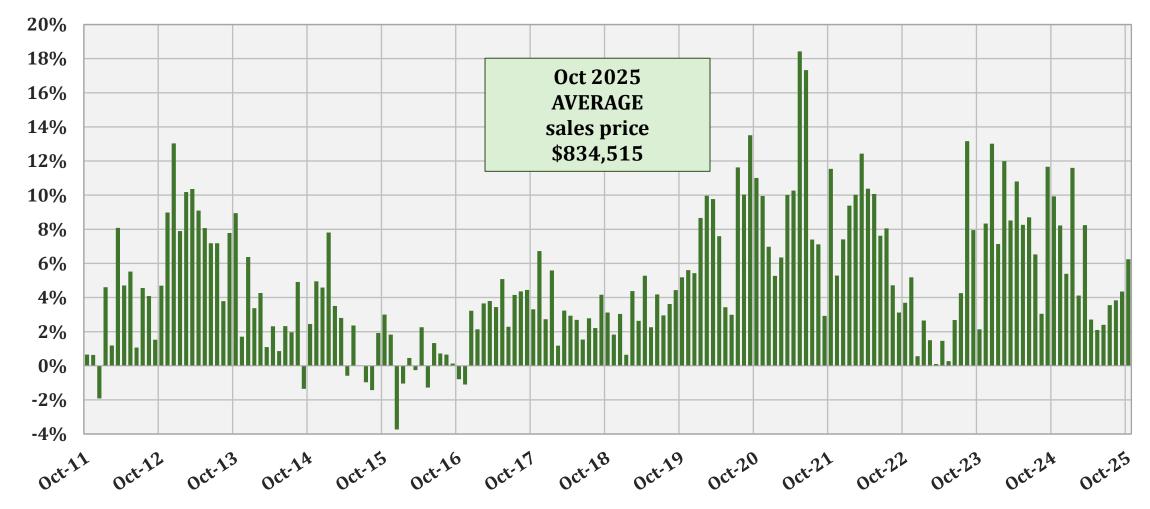
Washington MSA Month-Over-Year % Change | Oct 2011 – Oct 2025





Average Sales Price Month-Over-Year % Change Northern Virginia









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