# THE REGIONAL ECONOMIC MONITORING SYSTEM (REMS) REPORT – JULY 2025

In June, over-the-year employment increased by 10,000 jobs or 0.3 percent in the Washington Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA), while the national over-the-year employment increased by about 1.8 million jobs or 1.1 percent. Locally, the Leisure & Hospitality Sector remained unchanged from June 2024, and the Educational & Health Services Sector gained 13,600 jobs and the Professional & Business Sector lost 7,600 jobs during the last year. The number of Federal Government Sector jobs declined to 359,800 jobs in June. The region's inflation decreased to 1.9 percent in May 2025 from a rate of 2.4 percent in March 2025. During June, the region's unemployment rate increased to 4.0 percent, while the national rate increased to 4.4 percent. The 1,677 new housing units authorized during June 2025 represent a 30.1 percent increase from June 2024, when 1,289 new units were started. For a list of jurisdictions in the MSA, visit **mwcog.org/REMS**.

### Washington MSA Total Employment

3,500 Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, CES, Not Seasonally
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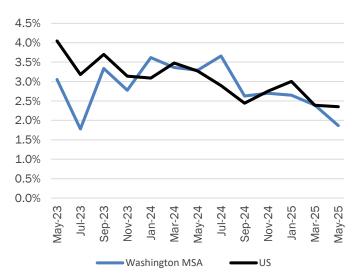
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### Over-the-Year Inflation Rate Washington MSA and US

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics



#### Unemployment Rate Washington MSA and US

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, CPS and LAUS, Not Seasonally Adjusted



#### New Housing Units Authorized During Previous 24 Months, 12-Month Total, Washington MSA and COG Region

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Building Permits Survey





## Washington MSA At-Place Employment, by Industry Group\* - June 2025

(1,000s of Jobs)

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, CES, Not Seasonally Adjusted

| Industry                         | At-<br>Place<br>Employment |         | Change from<br>Last Year |         |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------|---------|--------------------------|---------|
| Group                            | Number                     | Percent | Number                   | Percent |
| Manufacturing<br>Mining, Logging | 57.1                       | 1.7     | 0.0                      | 0.0     |
| & Construction                   | 179.7                      | 5.3     | 12.9                     | 7.7     |
| T,T, & U                         | 399.7                      | 11.7    | -2.0                     | -0.5    |
| [Retail]                         | 254.4                      | 7.4     | -2.5                     | -1.0    |
| Information<br>Financial         | 81.8                       | 2.4     | 0.5                      | 0.6     |
| Activities Prof. and Bus.        | 155.4                      | 4.5     | 0.7                      | 0.5     |
| Services Educ. & Health          | 807.5                      | 23.6    | -7.6                     | -0.9    |
| Services Leisure &               | 489.3                      | 14.3    | 13.6                     | 2.9     |
| Hospitality [Accom. and          | 342.5                      | 10.0    | 0.0                      | 0.0     |
| Food Services]                   | 286.8                      | 8.4     | 3.6                      | 1.3     |
| Other Services                   | 189.4                      | 5.5     | 3.3                      | 1.8     |
| Government                       | 715.6                      | 20.9    | -11.4                    | -1.6    |
| [Federal]                        | 359.8                      | 10.5    | -17.2                    | -4.6    |
| Total                            | 3,418.0                    | 100.0   | 10.0                     | 0.3     |

Sources: Preliminary data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

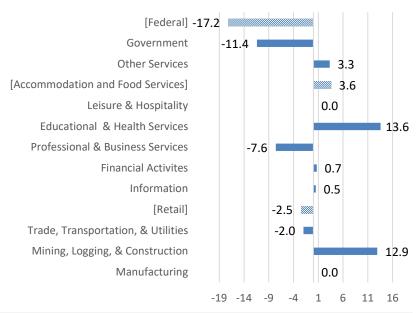
\*Industry classification is based on the North American Industry Classification (NAICS). Data reflects inputs, re-estimation, and new statewide controls. Data have been revised to reflect 2025 benchmarks. Data from April 2012 are subject to revision.

T,T, & U stands for Trade, Transportation & Utilities; Prof. and Bus. Services stands for Professional and Business Services; Educ. & Health Services stands for Educational & Health Services; Accom. and Food Services stands for Accommodation and Food Services.

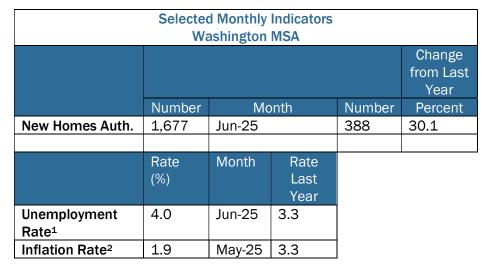
#### Washington MSA Over-the-Year Employment Change by Industry Group\* June 2025

(1,000s of Jobs)

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, CES, Not Seasonally Adjusted







Sources: Preliminary data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

New Homes Authorized - U.S. Census Bureau, Building Permits Survey

<sup>1</sup>Indicates MSA-level Data

<sup>2</sup>The regional inflation rate is reported bi-monthly.

Over-the-Year – Compares the present month with same month last year. For example, Over-the-year Percent Job Growth in in December 2023 is the percentage change between December 2022 and December 2023 in the number of jobs.

At-Place Employment – The number of jobs within a given area. Although some employment data include the number of areas residents who have jobs, at-place employment counts the actual number of jobs in an area.

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