



Virginia Snapshot



Virginia Employment and Population

Total Nonfarm Employment,* December 2018 4,049,600
(December 2017 - December 2018 Growth) (1.8%)

Civilian Labor Force,* December 2018 4,332,814
(December 2017 - December 2018 Growth) (1.4%)

Number of Employers, 2nd Quarter 2018 267,892
(2nd Quarter 2017 - 2nd Quarter 2018 Growth) (2.1%)

Average Weekly Wage, 2nd Quarter 2018 \$1,074
(2nd Quarter 2017 - 2nd Quarter 2018 Growth) (2.6%)

Worker Adjustment and Retraining Notices (WARN) December 2018 (Total affected employees) 134

Virginia Population, 2018 8,517,685
(2017 - 2018 Growth) (0.6%)

**not seasonally adjusted*



Unemployment Rates* (December 2018 %) and Change (December 2017 - December 2018 percentage point)

United States	3.7 (-0.2)
Virginia	2.6 (-0.7)
Blacksburg-Christiansburg-Radford MSA	2.6 (-0.8)
Bristol MSA (VA part)	3.3 (-0.3)
Charlottesville MSA	2.2 (-0.7)
Harrisonburg MSA	2.4 (-0.7)
Lynchburg MSA	2.8 (-1.0)
Northern VA MSA	2.1 (-0.6)
Richmond MSA	2.8 (-0.8)
Roanoke MSA	2.5 (-0.9)
Staunton-Waynesboro MSA	2.4 (-0.8)
Virginia Beach-Norfolk-Newport News, Virginia/NC MSA	3.0 (-0.8)
Winchester, Virginia/WV MSA	2.5 (-0.5)

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Unemployment Insurance

December 2018

Financial Data

Trust Fund Balance	\$1,307 million
Tax Revenue (YTD)	\$433 million
Average Tax Rate (2019)	0.89%
Minimum Tax Rate (2019)	0.11%
Maximum Tax Rate (2019)	6.21%
New Employer Tax Rate (2019)	2.51%
Taxable Wage Base (2019)	\$8,000

Benefits Data

Benefits Paid (YTD)	\$288 million
Average Weekly Benefit (YTD)	\$305
Minimum Weekly Benefit	\$60
Maximum Weekly Benefit	\$378
Average Duration	14.9 weeks
Exhaustion Rate	36.5%
Initial Claims (YTD)	133,728

Claims Data

	Initials Claims	Recipients	Final Payments
December 2018	13,308	15,281	1,508
November 2018	10,913	13,778	1,645
December 2017	14,543	19,025	1,995



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