

## Employment Growth: Major US Metro Areas

Metropolitan Statistical Area	Total Employment (thousands)*		Annual Change	
	2008	2007	Number	% Change
Houston-Sugarland	2602.7	2544.6	58.1	2.28%
Dallas-Fort Worth	2986.3	2940.3	46.0	1.56%
Seattle-Tacoma	1757.5	1740.2	17.3	0.99%
Denver-Aurora	1251	1241.2	9.8	0.79%
Washington D.C.-Arlington, VA	3006.8	2990.2	16.6	0.56%
Kansas City	1018.4	1013.3	5.1	0.50%
New York-Northern New Jersey	8610.4	8574.4	36.0	0.42%
Boston-Cambridge	2493.6	2484.7	8.9	0.36%
Pittsburgh	1149.1	1146.1	3.0	0.26%
Portland-Vancouver	1035.5	1034.9	0.6	0.06%
St. Louis	1358.1	1358	0.1	0.01%
Philadelphia-Camden	2809.7	2812.3	-2.6	-0.09%
Baltimore-Towson	1315.1	1318.2	-3.1	-0.24%
Cincinnati-Middletown	1043	1047.2	-4.2	-0.40%
San Francisco-Oakland	2024.9	2037.2	-12.3	-0.60%
Chicago-Naperville	4528.8	4557	-28.2	-0.62%
Minneapolis-St. Paul	1783.8	1795.5	-11.7	-0.65%
San Diego-Carlsbad	1299.2	1308.8	-9.6	-0.73%
Atlanta-Sandy Springs	2425.5	2452.4	-26.9	-1.10%
Cleveland	1059.1	1072.3	-13.2	-1.23%
Orlando-Kissimmee	1078.7	1094.8	-16.1	-1.47%
Los Angeles-Longbeach	5553.9	5637.6	-83.7	-1.48%
Miami-Fort Lauderdale	2365.7	2416.6	-50.9	-2.11%
Phoenix-Mesa-Scottsdale	1868.3	1914.8	-46.5	-2.43%
Tampa-St. Petersburg	1225.8	1260.2	-34.4	-2.73%
Detroit	1898.8	1964.7	-65.9	-3.35%
Riverside	1222.5	1270.9	-48.4	-3.81%

\*Annual, not seasonally adjusted

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, Current Employment Statistics

► Of the 27 U.S. Metropolitan Statistical Areas with over a million people employed, only ten posted net job gains from 2007- 2008.

► Among the five largest metros Dallas-Fort Worth ranked second in nominal growth and percent change for the period.