

The American Legion Department of Virginia

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Veteran Unemployment & Education Monthly Report

September 2015 BLS Report

THE BLS EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS WERE RELEASED LAST WEEK. ATTACHED IS THE MONTHLY 'CHEAT SHEET' FOR YOUR USE AND INFORMATION. ALSO INCLUDED IS THE 3RD QUARTER 2015 STATISTIC REPORT. THE NATIONAL UNEMPLOYMENT RATE REMAINED UNCHANGED AT 5.1% AND THE VETERAN UNEMPLOYMENT NUMBERS INCREASED SLIGHTLY FROM 4.2% TO 4.3%.

[BLS EMPLOYMENT DATA - SEPTEMBER 2015](#)

[BLS 3RD QUARTER - BLS INFORMATION](#)

Communities in Action

[VA announces expansion of Veterans Economic Communities Initiative](#)

Hometown Focus

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) announced the expansion of a program aimed at increasing education and employment opportunities for America's veterans to an additional 25 new communities. The Veterans Economic...

Wellness

[Warrior Hike helps combat veterans heal](#)

CNN International

Helping veterans transition from the conflicts in Iraq and Afghanistan has become an important issue in recent years. The Department of Veterans Affairs estimates that 11% to 20% of those who served now struggle with post-traumatic stress disorder.

Employment

[Make Sure You Know The Financial Risks Before Starting Your Own Business](#)

Task & Purpose

No doubt veterans have many of the character traits found in successful entrepreneurs. Determination, resilience, and flexibility ensured mission accomplishment, earned them promotions and awards, and kept today's veterans alive on the battlefield...

Education

[Senators from Unlikely Alliance on Veterans' Education](#)

Roll Call

Tillis and Brown have already introduced a trio of bills related to education and vocational training for veterans, including those fresh out of the armed forces. The most recent measure, filed last week, would direct the Department of Veterans Affairs...

Education (Continued)

[FMCSA Awards \\$2.3 Million in Grants to Help Train Veterans in Jobs as Commercial Truck and Bus Drivers](#)

Transportation.gov

The U.S. Department of Transportation's Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) today announced nearly \$2.3 million in grants, double the amount provided in 2014, to 13 technical and community colleges across the country to help train veterans and their families for jobs as commercial bus and truck drivers.

[Veterans learn to build social capital at Cornell](#)

Cornell Chronicle

EBV offers industry-leading, experiential training in entrepreneurship and small-business management to soldiers, sailors, airmen and marines who were disabled as a result of their service to the United States occurring after 9/11. The EBV program at...

Upcoming Job Fairs in Virginia

[Corporate Gray Job Fair - Virginia Beach, VA](#) – Wednesday, October 14th, 9:00am to 12:30pm

[Job Zone Fort Lee, VA Job Fair](#) – Wednesday, October 21st, 10:00am to 2:00pm

[Job Zone Springfield, VA Job Fair](#) – Thursday, November 12th, 10:00am to 2:00pm

[DAV Recruit Military Job Fair – Norfolk, VA](#) – Thursday, November 12th, 11:00am to 3:00pm

[DOD Hiring Heroes Job Fair - JB Myer-Henderson Hall, VA](#) – Tuesday, November 17th, 10:00am to 3:00pm

[Corporate Gray Job Fair - Springfield, VA](#) – Thursday, November 19th, 9:00am to 12:30pm

[Job Zone Job Fair - Fredericksburg, VA](#) – Thursday, December 3rd, 3:00pm to 7:00pm

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions regarding this report or need additional information regarding the upcoming Job Fairs.

For God and Country,

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