FINANCE AND INSURANCE





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Finance & Insurance Cluster

What is included in the Finance & Insurance Cluster?

The Finance & insurance Cluster is comprised of establishments primarily engaged in financial transactions and/or facilitating such transactions. These transactions may involve the creation, liquidation, or change in ownership of financial assets. Included are: central banking functions; credit intermediation (including banking); investment services such as securities and commodities sales and portfolio management; sales and service of insurance; underwriting of annuities and insurance policies; and management of investment funds and trusts, including employee health insurance and pensions. In recent years, the lines between some of these functions has become increasingly blurred, as some establishments, which in the past were limited to one major type of financial activity, have moved into providing other financial services as well. This industry cluster is mainly driven by human capital—that is, the skills and knowledge of the workforce—rather than physical capital (equipment, machinery, or materials). An exception is this sector's extensive use of computers and other electronic means to facilitate financial transactions. This report groups industries in the Finance & Insurance Cluster into three divisions:

Credit Intermediation and Central Banking includes establishments engaged in accepting funds from depositors and making commercial, industrial, consumer, mortgage, and other real estate loans; facilitating lending funds or issuing credit through activities such as loan brokerage, check cashing and credit card services, or other financial instruments; and central bank services—authorities responsible for managing the Nation's money supply. Included are the industries of:

NAICS

- **5211** Monetary authorities-central bank
- **5221** Depository credit intermediation
- **5222** Nondepository credit intermediation
- 5223 Activities related to credit intermediation

Securities and Commodity Contracts and Other Financial Investments and Related Activities includes firms which, on a contract, fee, or commission basis, are engaged in either: acting as agents between buyers and sellers of securities and commodities; providing securities and commodity exchange services; underwriting securities issues; or providing other financial services such as managing portfolios of assets, supplying investment advice, or trust and fiduciary services. Industries included are:

NAICS

- 5231 Securities and commodity contracts brokerage
- 5232 Securities and commodity exchanges
- 5239 Other financial investment activities

Insurance Carriers, Agencies, Brokerages, and Other Insurance Related Activities; Funds, Trusts, and Other Financial Vehicles includes firms which underwrite annuities and insurance policies; sell and/or service various types of insurance policies; fund employee benefits (such as health insurance and retirement plans); and other legal entities (i.e., funds, trusts) which pool assets on behalf of shareholders or beneficiaries. Industries included are:

NAICS

- **5241** Insurance carriers
- 5242 Insurance agencies, brokerages, and related
- 5251 Insurance and employee benefit funds
- 5259 Other investment pools and funds

For additional descriptive information on NAICS, go to www.census.gov/epcd/naics02/

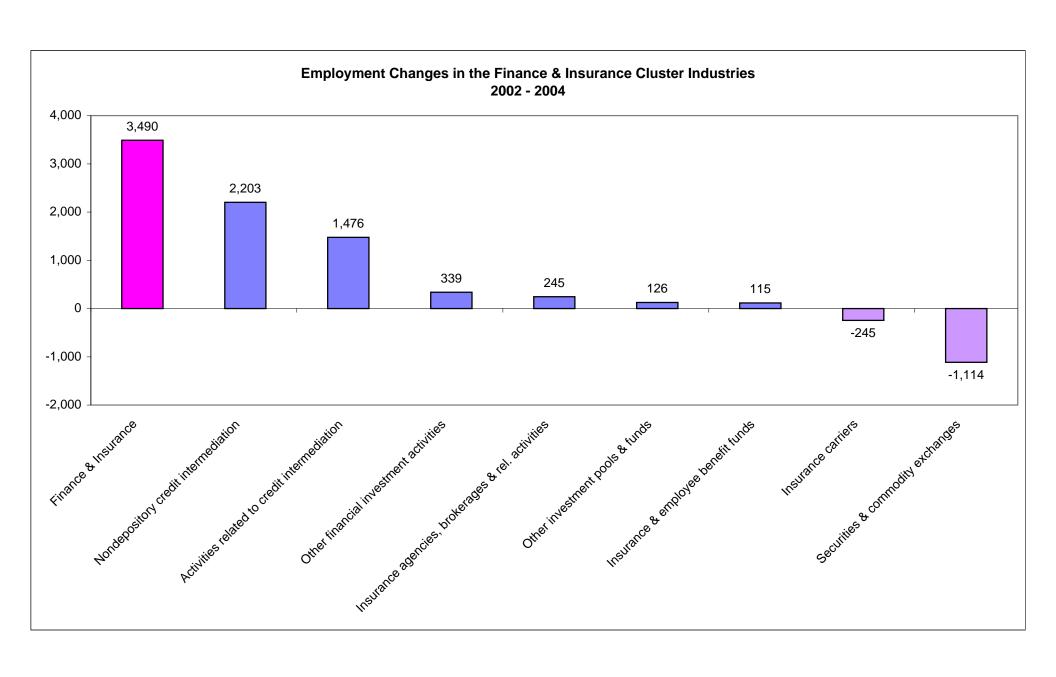
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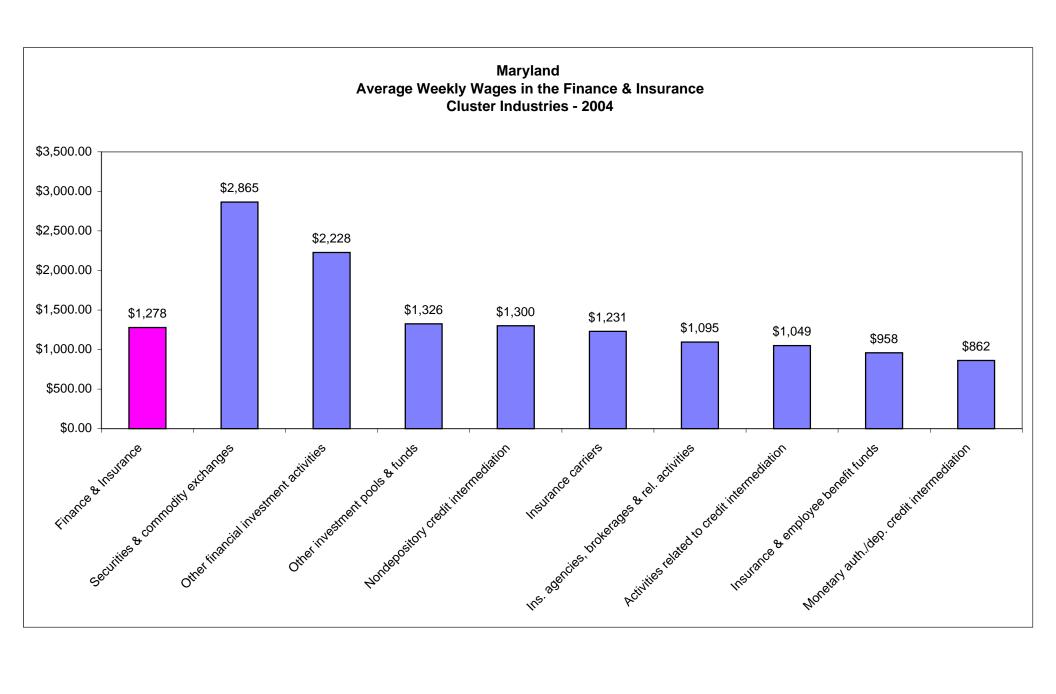
Maryland Employment and Wages in the Finance & Insurance Cluster Industries

		Empl	oyment	Pay	yroll	Average Weekly Wage	Industry Share of
NAICS	Industry Description	2002	2004	2002	2004	2004	Cluster
	Finance & Insurance	106,317	109,807	\$6,359,374,194	\$7,294,776,348	\$1,278	100.0
	Credit Intermediation & Central Banking	52,288	55,968	2,555,769,282	3,017,664,633	1,037	51.0
5211 &	Monetary authorities - central bank &						
5221	Depository credit intermediation	28,069	28,070	1,131,281,703	1,258,643,461	862	25.6
5222	Nondepository credit intermediation	15,955	18,158	978,806,380	1,227,540,959	1,300	16.5
5223	Activities related to credit intermediation	8,264	9,740	445,681,199	531,480,213	1,049	8.9
	Securities/Commodity Contracts & Other Financial Investments/Related Activities	14,357	13,582	1,626,731,148	1,774,164,876	2,512	12.4
5231 &	Securities/commodity contracts brokerage &						
5232	Securities/commodity exchanges	7,166	6,052	878,494,619	901,747,551	2,865	5.5
5239	Other financial investment activities	7,191	7,530	748,236,529	872,417,325	2,228	6.9
	Insurance	38,295	38,536	2,064,675,344	2,343,000,580	1,169	35.1
5241	Insurance carriers	22,004	21,759	1,231,644,015	1,392,369,941	1,231	19.8
5242	Insurance agencies, brokerages &						
	related activities	14,567	14,812	747,226,823	843,058,930	1,095	13.5
5251	Insurance & employee benefit funds	1,345	1,460	64,022,150	72,742,486	958	1.3
5259	Other investment pools & funds	379	505	21,782,356	34,829,223	1,326	0.5
N/A	Nondistributable*	1,377	1,721	112,198,420	159,946,259	1,787	1.5

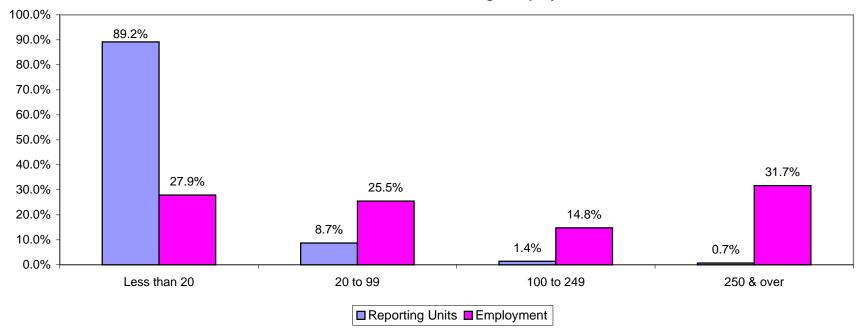
- A marginal decline, of about 210 jobs, between 2002 and 2003 was eclipsed by the overall performance in the cluster through 2004. Employment in Finance and Insurance advanced by 3.3 percent through 2004 -- about two and a half times higher than the 1.4 percent rate recorded for overall economic expansion.
- The surge in mortgage lending and refinancing activities, prompted by record low interest rates, was a primary factor underlying growth in the nondepository credit intermediation subsector. Employment in this cluster industry grew at a rate of 13.8 percent over the 2002-2004 period, accounting for nearly two-thirds of the overall cluster job gain.
- Baltimore County and Anne Arundel County have been the strongest supporters of expansion in Finance and Insurance, collectively contributing about 3,000 jobs to the cluster between 2002 and 2004. Baltimore City's share of cluster employment has declined somewhat due to buyouts, mergers and relocations, however, the City has retained some of the highest paying employers in the cluster. Finance and Insurance businesses in the City, on average, pay wages of \$1789.00 per week, a wage nearly 40% above the overall cluster average of \$1278.00.

^{*} Includes establishments in all Finance & Insurance Cluster NAICS industries that cannot be distributed geographically.





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Reporting Units and Employment Concentration in the Finance & Insurance by Size Class*
Based on 4th Quarter 2004 Average Employment



		Reporti	ng Units		Employment			
	Less than 20 20 to 99 100 to 249 250 & over			Less than 20	20 to 99	100 to 249	250 & over	
Finance & Insurance								
Cluster	6,874	668	108	53	30,406	27,818	16,133	34,565
Percent of Total	89.2%	8.7%	1.4%	0.7%	27.9%	25.5%	14.8%	31.7%

- About 9 out of every 10 business establishments in the finance & insurance cluster employ fewer than twenty workers. Among the detailed industries in the cluster, the highest density of small businesses are found in insurance agencies and brokerages, followed by depository credit intermediation institutions. These two industry subsectors, when combined, account for just over 50% of all establishments in the less than 20 size class.
- While business concentration is centered in the less than 20 size class, worker concentration is greatest in the 250 & over size class, a stratification which holds about 32% of the cluster's employment. Nearly a third of the employment in this size class is reported by insurance carriers.

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Occupations with the Highest Employment Concentrations in the Finance & Insurance Cluster

		Annual Openings		Median	
Occupation	Growth*	Replacements *	Total *	Training Code	Hrly/Annual* Wage
General and Operations Managers	1,420	1,230	2,650	4	38.75
Financial Managers	295	210	505	4	37.25
Management Analysts	415	255	670	4	34.50
Loan Officers	165	90	255	5	24.75
Insurance Sales Agents	20	140	160	5	22.00
Securities, Commodities & Financial Svcs. Sales Agts.	80	50	130	5	23.75
Accountants & Auditors	300	365	665	5	26.25
Personal Financial Advisors	85	35	120	5	21.50
Insurance Underwriters	20	30	50	5	24.00
Financial Analysts	95	65	160	5	28.00
Computer Systems Analysts	485	230	715	5	36.75
New Accounts Clerks	10	30	40	8	14.75
Supervisors, Office & Administrative Support Workers	290	620	910	8	21.50
Claims Adjustors, Examiners & Investigators	70	55	125	10	21.25
Customer Service Representatives	735	485	1,220	10	14.25
Insurance Claims & Policy Processing Clerks	20	70	90	10	15.25
Bookkeeping, Accounting & Auditing Clerks	150	550	700	10	15.75
Executive Secretaries and Administrative Assistants	400	580	980	10	18.50
Secretaries, exc. Legal, Medical & Executive	230	835	1,065	10	14.50
Brokerage Clerks	0	15	15	10	17.25
Tellers	90	430	520	11	11.00
Loan Interviewers & Clerks	0	45	45	11	15.75
Bill & Account Collectors	310	190	500	11	14.75
Receptionists & Information Clerks	690	610	1,300	11	11.50
Office Clerks, General	695	1,165	1,860	11	12.25

Note: Occupations are ranked by training code

Estimates for Annual Openings rounded to the nearest 5

Wages adjusted to reflect inflationary pressures through September 2005.

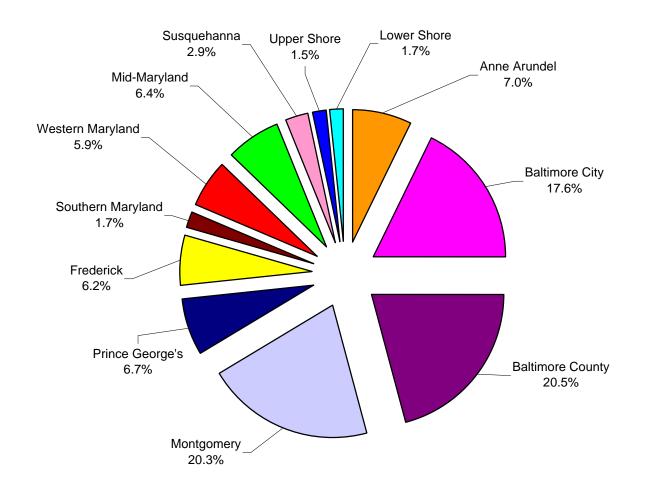
^{*} Represents economy-wide demand 2002 - 2012

Education and Training Categories

Occupations are classified into 1 of 11 categories by the Bureau of Labor Statistics based on analyses of the occupation's usual education and training requirements conducted while developing information to present in the *Occupational Outlook Handbook*. The 11 classifications are as follows:

- 1 First professional degree. Completion of the academic program usually requires at least 6 years of full-time equivalent academic study, including college study prior to entering the professional degree program.
- **Doctoral degree.** Completion of the degree program usually requires at least 3 years of full-time equivalent academic work beyond the bachelor's degree.
- 3 Master's degree. Completion of the degree program usually requires 1 or 2 years of full-time equivalent study beyond the bachelor's degree.
- **Bachelor's or higher degree, plus work experience.** Most occupations in this category are managerial occupations that require experience in a related nonmanagerial position.
- 5 Bachelor's degree. Completion of the degree program generally requires at least 4 years but not more than 5 years of full-time equivalent academic work.
- **Associate degree.** Completion of the degree program usually requires at least 2 years of full-time equivalent academic study.
- **Postsecondary vocational award.** Some programs last only a few weeks while others may last more than a year. In some occupations, a license is needed that requires passing an examination after completion of the training.
- **8** Work experience in a related occupation. Some occupations requiring work experience are supervisory or managerial occupations.
- Long-term on-the-job training. This category includes occupations that generally require more than 12 months of on-the-job training or combined work experience and formal classroom instruction for workers to develop the skills needed for average job performance. This category includes formal and informal apprenticeships that may last up to 4 years and short-term intensive employer-sponsored training that workers must successfully complete. Individuals undergoing training are generally considered to be employed in the occupation. This category includes occupations in which workers may gain experience in non-work activities, such as professional athletes who gain experience through participation in athletic programs in academic institutions.
- **Moderate-term on-the-job training.** This category includes occupations in which workers can develop the skills needed for average job performance after 1 to 12 months of combined on-the-job experience and informal training.
- **Short-term on-the-job training.** This category covers occupations in which workers can develop the skills needed for average job performance after a short demonstration or up to one month of on-the-job experience or instruction.

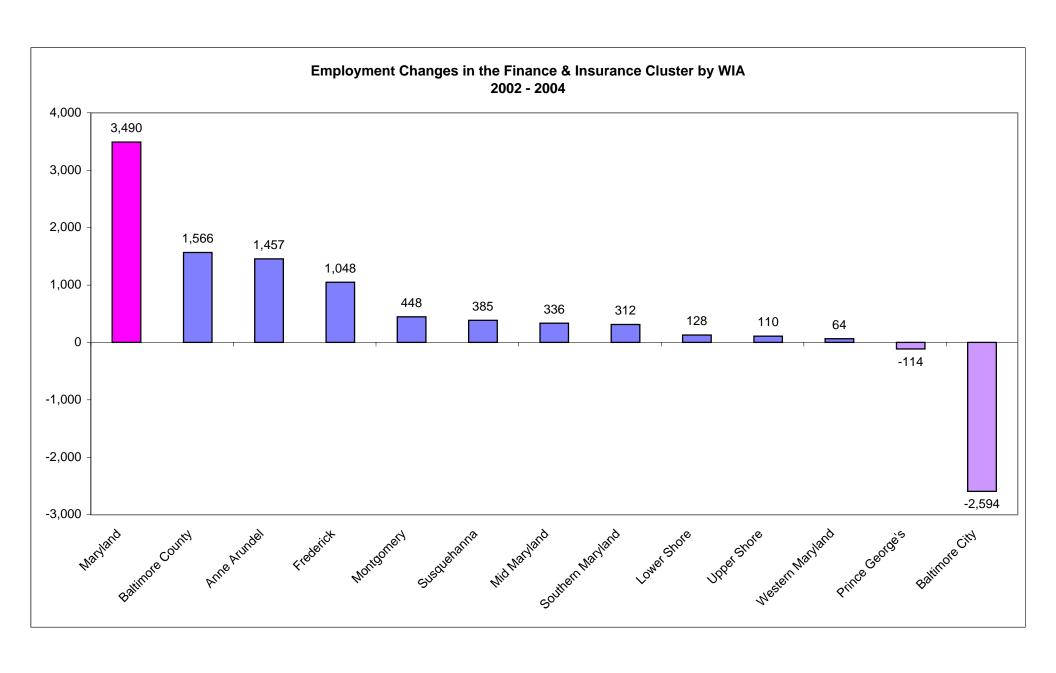
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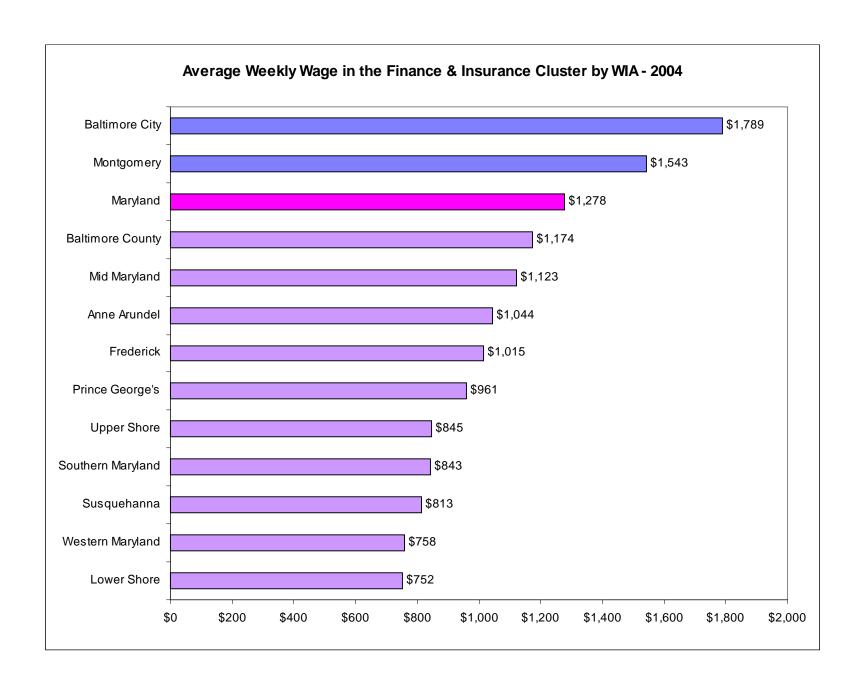


Employment and Wages in the Finance and Insurance Cluster By WIA and By Local Jurisdictions

		Employment		Number of Reporting Units	Total Wages	Average Weekly Wage	
WIA	2002	2004	2002 - 2004	2004	2004	2004	
Anne Arundel	6,281	7,738	1,457	725	\$420,251,170	\$1,044	
Baltimore City	21,927	19,333	-2,594	665	1,798,743,686	1,789	
Baltimore County	20,950	22,516	1,566	1,444	1,374,197,030	1,174	
Frederick	5,760	6,808	1,048	283	359,305,979	1,015	
Montgomery	21,834	22,282	448	1,520	1,787,375,715	1,543	
Prince George's	7,516	7,402	-114	706	370,036,829	961	
Lower Shore Somerset Wicomico Worcester	1,754 162 1,130 462	1,882 168 1,224 490	128 6 94 28	250 20 143 87	73,615,459 4,119,944 51,680,143 17,815,372	752 472 812 699	
Mid Maryland Carroll Howard	6,699 1,205 5,494	7,035 1,247 5,788	336 42 294	704 205 499	410,793,606 54,000,763 356,792,843	1,123 833 1,185	
Southern Maryland Calvert Charles St Mary's	1,560 260 755 545	1,872 363 941 568	312 103 186 23	280 66 141 73	82,057,504 18,551,235 42,317,156 21,189,113	843 983 865 717	
Susquehanna Cecil Harford	2,743 470 2,273	3,128 533 2,595	385 63 322	334 71 263	132,306,543 18,817,889 113,488,654	813 679 841	
Upper Shore Caroline Dorchester Kent Queen Anne's Talbot	1,496 213 264 265 183 571	1,606 212 303 272 203 616	110 -1 39 7 20 45	207 24 31 26 45 81	70,565,485 7,324,683 11,866,823 9,831,523 8,251,184 33,291,272	845 664 753 695 782 1,039	
Western Maryland Allegany Garrett Washington	6,420 581 117 5,722	6,484 571 155 5,758	64 -10 38 36	248 76 22 150	255,581,083 19,322,983 5,237,348 231,020,752	758 651 650 772	
Nondistributable* Maryland	1,377 106,317	1,721 109,807	344 3,490	590 7,956	159,946,259 7,294,776,348	1,787 1,278	

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Local Share of Statewide Employment in the Finance & Insurance Cluster 2004

