

**Table 2  
MDDA Region  
LABOR FORCE DATA**

<b>Civilian Labor Force <sup>(1)</sup></b>	<b>2001</b>	<b>2002</b>	<b>2003</b>	<b>2004</b>				
Civilian Labor Force	250,970	254,830	260,060	259,050				
Unemployed	16,340	19,200	18,640	18,300				
Unemployment Rate	6.5%	7.5%	7.2%	7.1%				
<b>Employment by Industry <sup>(1)</sup></b>	<b>Total Number Employed</b>				<b>% of Total Employed Persons</b>			
	<b>2001</b>	<b>2002</b>	<b>2003</b>	<b>2004</b>	<b>2001</b>	<b>2002</b>	<b>2003</b>	<b>2004</b>
Ag, Forestry, Fishing, Hunting	7,700	7,050	7,340	7,520	3.73%	3.43%	3.59%	3.66%
Mining	460	450	390	310	0.22%	0.22%	0.19%	0.15%
Construction	6,910	6,840	6,690	6,820	3.35%	3.33%	3.27%	3.32%
Manufacturing	35,830	32,190	30,550	29,080	17.36%	15.68%	14.95%	14.16%
Transportation & Public Utilities	6,800	7,020	7,740	8,090	3.30%	3.42%	3.79%	3.94%
Wholesale Trade	7,490	7,380	7,330	7,320	3.63%	3.59%	3.59%	3.57%
Retail Trade	26,620	26,380	25,830	26,010	12.90%	12.85%	12.64%	12.67%
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	6,330	6,270	6,130	6,230	3.07%	3.05%	3.00%	3.03%
Services	69,440	70,170	69,930	70,990	33.65%	34.17%	34.22%	34.58%
Government	38,780	41,580	42,420	42,940	18.79%	20.25%	20.76%	20.91%
Total	206,360	205,330	204,350	205,310	100%	100%	100%	100%
<b>Employment by Occupation <sup>(2)</sup></b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>%</b>						
Management, Professional, and related	58,002	25.3%						
Service	34,509	15.1%						
Sales and Office	55,198	24.1%						
Farming, Fishing, & Forestry	4,096	1.8%						
Construction, Extraction, & Maintenance	24,025	10.5%						
Production, Transp., & Material Moving	45,925	20.0%						
<b>Labor Participation Rate (2000) <sup>(2)</sup></b>	<b>Percentage (%)</b>							
Female	53							
Male	63							
Total	57.7							
<b>Commute Times <sup>(2)</sup></b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>%</b>						
Less than 15 Minutes	79,981	36.1%						
15 - 29 Minutes	74,917	33.8%						
Over 30 Minutes	66,490	30.0%						



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(1) MS Department of Employment Security. Labor Market Information - Annual Averages, August 2005

(2) US Census Bureau