

Montgomery County Youth Workforce Profile: A Look at Employment, Education, and Targeted Local Programs

Total County Population:¹ 930,813

Population Age 16-19: 47,797
Population Age 20-24: 56,551

Employment Data

Top Five Industries Employing
Montgomery County Youth (Ages 14-21)³

- 1) Retail Trade
- 2) Accommodation/Food Service
- 3) Health Care/Social Assistance
- 4) Admin/Support/Waste Mgmt
- 5) Prof/Scientific/Technical Services

Youth Employment Rates^{1,2}

		Montgomery	Statewide
Youth Overall	Ages 16-19	34.1%	35.7%
	Ages 20-24	70.1%	67.3%

Out-of-School Teens, Age 16-19	High School Dropouts	51.4%	37.0%
	High School Graduates	60.8%	68.0%
	Overall	57.4%	56.4%

Average Annual Earnings for
Montgomery County Youth³

Age 14-18	Age 19-21
\$9,120	\$15,024

Education Data

Out-of-School Youth¹

		Montgomery	Statewide
Age 15-17:	Percent	1.7%	4.8%
	Number	670	11,890
Age 18-19:	Percent	19.9%	28.0%
	Number	4,391	46,550
Age 20-24:	Percent	53.1%	56.4%
	Number	30,029	214,337

Educational Attainment,
Population 25 Years and Over¹

School Suspension Rate ⁴	
<u>Montgomery</u>	<u>Statewide</u>
4.0%	8.3%

	<u>Montgomery</u>	<u>Statewide</u>
Less than High School	8.7%	12.6%
High School Credential	14.6%	27.4%
Some College	13.8%	18.3%
Associate's Degree or Higher	62.9%	41.6%

Poverty, Disability & Parenthood

Youth Ages 5-20 with a Disability¹

Montgomery	Statewide
4.7%	6.3%

Births to Young Females, 15-19¹

Montgomery	Statewide
7/1000 women	22/1000 women

Adult Poverty Rate by Educational Attainment (Age 25 and Over)¹

	Montgomery	Statewide
Less than High School	14.1%	18.2%
High School Credential	7.1%	8.3%
Some College/ Associate's Degree	4.0%	4.8%
Bachelor's Degree	2.1%	2.7%

Children Under 18 in Poverty¹

	Montgomery	Statewide
Number	10,468	140,058
Percent	4.7%	10.5%

Local Youth Resources

There are many ways for Montgomery County youth to connect to employment, learning, and enrichment activities. Here we highlight some key workforce resources.

Maryland Multicultural Youth Center

MMYC works with in-school and out-of-school youth during the school year and summer months, offering services including: GED instruction; job readiness training; job training certificates; computer training; career workshops; internships and job placements; case management; group, family, and one-on-one counseling; and arts and recreational activities.

Silver Spring Site

1320 Fenwick Ln., Ste. 600, Silver Spring, MD 20910
Contact: 301-495-0441

Job Corps

Job Corps is a career training and education program for youth ages 16-24. Students build technical skills in a specific trade, and the academic and soft skills need for the workplace. Contact the Woodland Job Corps site in Laurel or the Woodstock Job Corps site in Woodstock for more information.

Woodland Contact: 301-362-6000

Woodstock Contact: 410-461-1100

MontgomeryWorks

MontgomeryWorks coordinates a network of employment resources, including two workforce centers with a variety of resources for job-seekers.

Wheaton One-Stop Center

11002 Veirs Mill Rd., 1st Floor, Wheaton, MD 20902
Contact: 301-946-1806

Gaithersburg One-Stop Center

701 Russell Ave, 2nd Level near Macys, Gaithersburg, MD 20877
Contact: 301-519-8253

Transitioning Youth Employment

This program, a partnership between Montgomery Works, TransCen, Inc, and Montgomery County Public Schools, helps youth with disabilities transition from school to work.

Contact: 301-946-1806

Montgomery College ABE /GED Courses

Montgomery College offers Adult Basic Education and GED courses at a variety of locations, with day, evening and summer hours.

Contact: 301-962-8950