

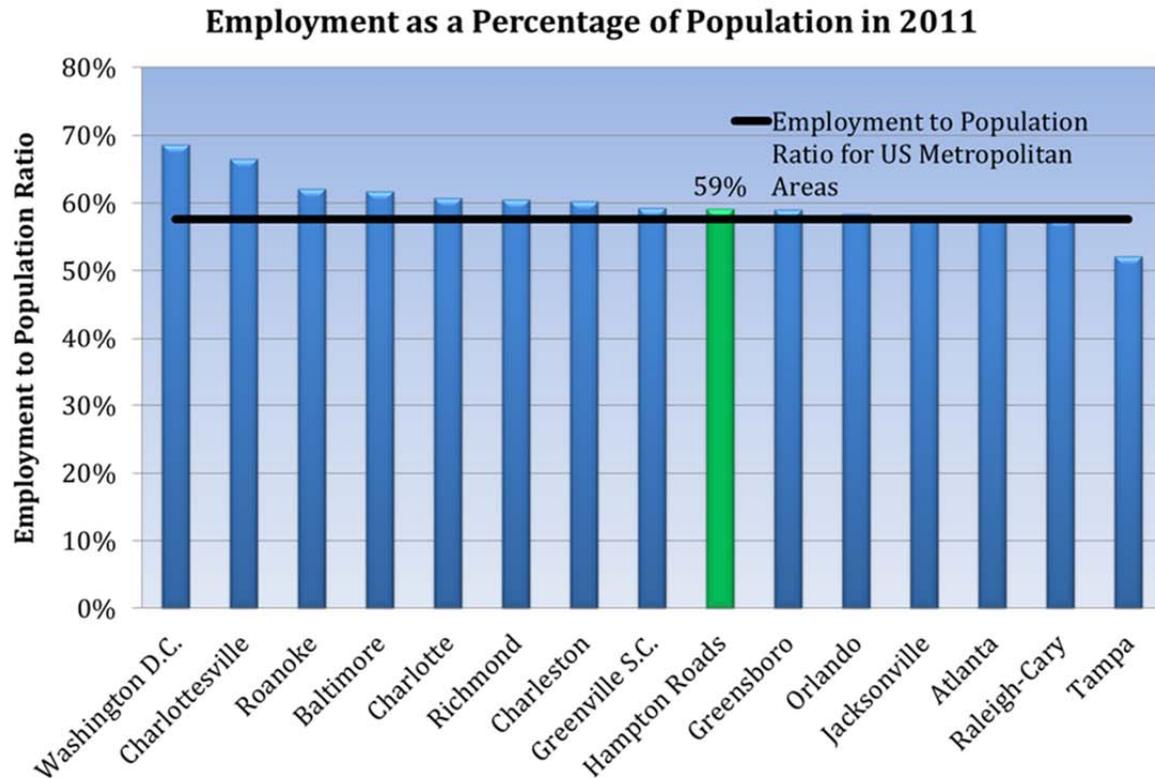
## Figure 1.18 Employment to Population Ratios in Hampton Roads and Competing Metro Areas

### Why is it important?

Hampton Roads competes with other metro areas at a number of levels. When comparing employment and income statistics, it is important to consider the employment to population ratios. A small increase or decrease in this ratio can drastically alter other benchmarking indicators.

### How are we doing?

At 59.9%, Hampton Roads' employment to population ratio is slightly above the average level of U.S. metropolitan areas.



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