

### The Innovation Economy & Virginia

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"The only constant is change & the rate of change is increasing." Peter Diamandis

In a time of abundant change and technology we need abundant education.



#### Two Points

- Innovation will continue to disrupt our way of life and economy, and now more quickly.
- Virginia has a unique position to capitalize on this opportunity but it isn't assured.



#### Some Basics on Tech in VA

- More full time vacancies open then any other industry
- Highest salaries on average
- Highest ratings for hardest to fill
- Requiring the highest level of average education



## **Tech Disruption**

- It is estimated 47 percent of total US employment is at high risk, meaning they are potentially automatable in the next 2 decades
- Of the 5.6 million manufacturing jobs lost between 2000 and 2010, 87% were lost to productivity gains
- 3.5 million truckers could be replaced at a saving of \$70bn annually



# Tech Upside

- The Eno Center for Transportation estimates the annual economic benefit of AVs to be \$211 billion
- Per worker, advanced industries purchase \$236,000 in goods and services from other businesses annually, compared with just \$67,000 by other industries.

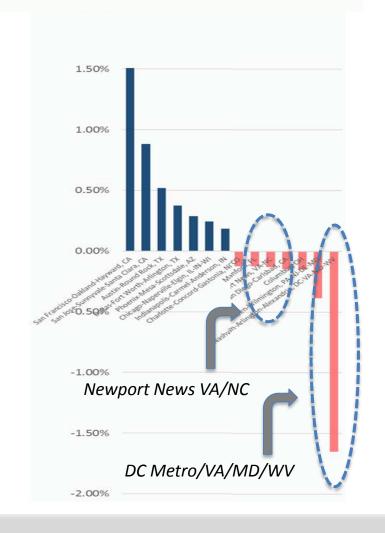


# Innovation Economy Wealth and Jobs are Concentrating

Change of metros' shares of national digital services job total, 2010 - 2015

50 metros with largest digital employment in 2015

- Fewer Cities are participating in this new economy then hoped
- DC Metro lost more market share of the digital economy then any other major Metro Area in US (2010-2015)





So what about Virginia...?



#### Education

- Stronger Connections: Educational Institutions, Students and the Local Economy
  - Deeper support for intern programs
  - Marketing & support of programs that increase ties between education and the local economy

"During this next ten years it is going to be an all out war for talent – like we have never seen before."



# **Innovation Economy Thoughts**

- Engage this economy Create Measurements
  - Places like Austin & Pittsburgh are actively engaging the innovation economy
  - This is about creating products
  - Investments from our region in our region
  - Creating an innovation index for Virginia



## **Innovation Economy Thoughts**

- Invest in Innovation Districts
  - Highly concentrated mixed use zones of talent, jobs, living, retail, walk-able
  - Placemaking



What next....

The Innovation Coalition in Northern Virginia is working on presenting our findings.