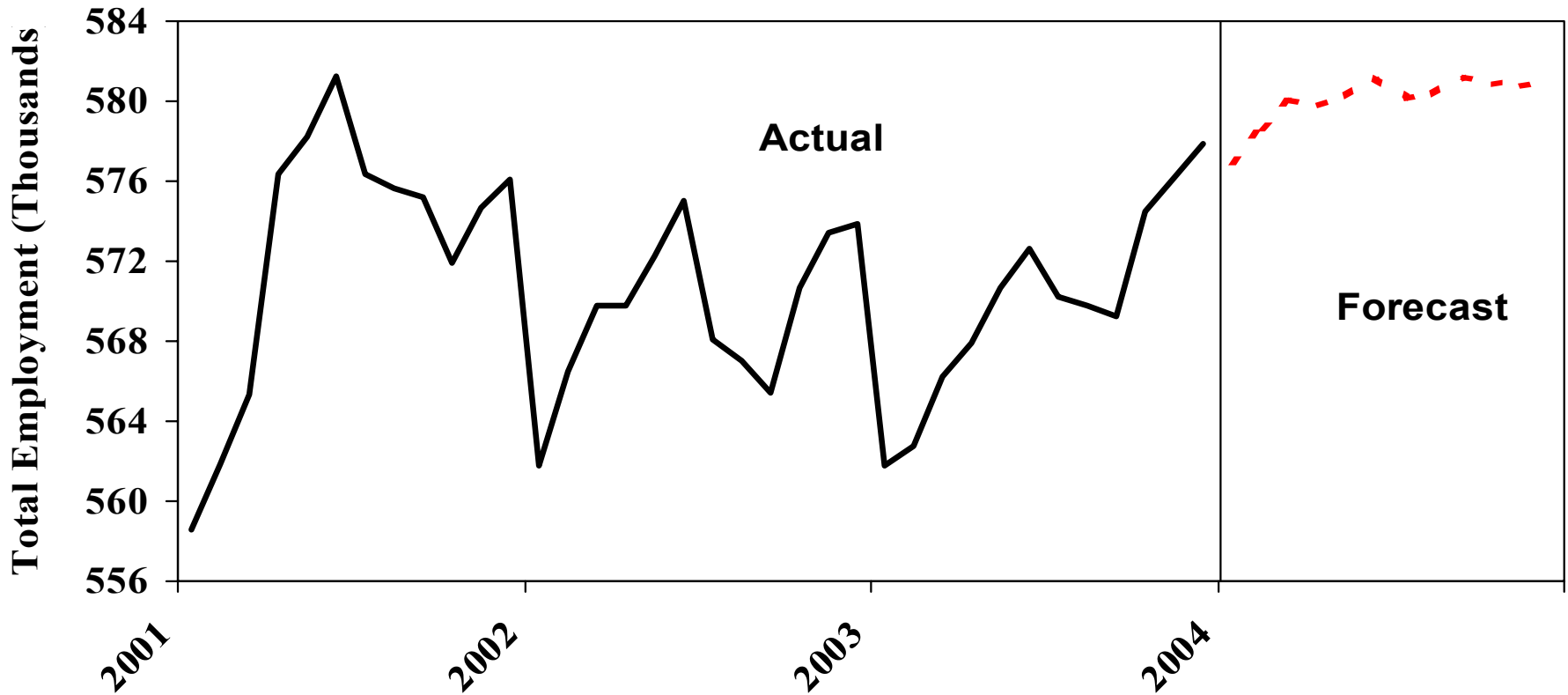


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Sources: Bureau of Labor Statistics and Virginia Center for Urban Development

