

**Overview of the CareerSource Palm Beach County Region  
Not Seasonally Adjusted  
October 16, 2020**

- The unemployment rate in the CareerSource Palm Beach County region (Palm Beach County) was 7.0 percent in September 2020. This rate was 3.8 percentage point higher than the region's year ago rate of 3.2 percent. The region's September 2020 unemployment rate was 0.6 percentage point lower than the state rate of 7.6 percent. The labor force was 699,888, down 37,953 (-5.1) over the year. There were 49,159 unemployed residents in the region.
- In September 2020 nonagricultural employment in the West Palm Bch-Boca Raton-Delray Bch Metro Division was 585,700, a decrease of 47,200 jobs (-7.5 percent) over the year.
- The West Palm Bch-Boca Raton-Delray Bch Metro Division was tied for the third fastest annual job growth rate compared to all the metro areas in the state in financial activities (+0.7 percent) in September 2020.
- The West Palm Bch-Boca Raton-Delray Bch Metro Division was tied for the third highest annual job growth compared to all the metro areas in the state in mining, logging, and construction (+800 jobs) in September 2020.
- The West Palm Bch-Boca Raton-Delray Bch Metro Division had the third highest annual job growth compared to all the metro areas in the state in financial activities (+300 jobs) in September 2020.
- The industries gaining in jobs over the year were: construction (+800 jobs) and financial activities (+300 jobs).
- The leisure and hospitality (-20,300 jobs); professional and business services (-9,600 jobs); trade, transportation, and utilities (-6,100 jobs); education and health services (-6,100 jobs); other services (-2,500 jobs); government (-2,000 jobs); information (-1,000 jobs); and manufacturing (-700 jobs) industries lost jobs over the year.

Note: All data are subject to revision.

Source: Florida Department of Economic Opportunity, Bureau of Workforce Statistics and Economic Research.

<b>Unemployment Rates</b>			
<b>(not seasonally adjusted)</b>	<b>Sep-20</b>	<b>Aug-20</b>	<b>Sep-19</b>
CareerSource Palm Beach County	7.0%	7.9%	3.2%
Florida	7.6%	7.6%	2.9%
United States	7.7%	8.5%	3.3%

<b>Nonagricultural Employment by Industry</b> <b>(not seasonally adjusted)</b>	<b>West Palm Beach-Boca Raton-Delray Beach Metropolitan Division</b>				<b>Florida</b>			
	<b>Sep-20</b>	<b>Sep-19</b>	<b>change</b>	<b>percent change</b>	<b>Sep-20</b>	<b>Sep-19</b>	<b>change</b>	<b>percent change</b>
Total Employment	585,700	632,900	-47,200	-7.5	8,482,900	8,923,100	-440,200	-4.9
Mining and Logging	NA	NA	NA	NA	5,600	5,700	-100	-1.8
Construction	40,000	39,200	800	2.0	561,300	569,100	-7,800	-1.4
Manufacturing	19,500	20,200	-700	-3.5	376,400	384,100	-7,700	-2.0
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	107,600	113,700	-6,100	-5.4	1,746,200	1,785,600	-39,400	-2.2
Wholesale Trade	21,100	23,100	-2,000	-8.7	342,000	352,600	-10,600	-3.0
Retail Trade	73,500	77,600	-4,100	-5.3	1,066,600	1,092,100	-25,500	-2.3
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	13,000	13,000	0	0.0	337,600	340,900	-3,300	-1.0
Information	9,100	10,100	-1,000	-9.9	126,600	137,000	-10,400	-7.6
Financial Activities	43,400	43,100	300	0.7	587,100	592,000	-4,900	-0.8
Professional and Business Services	107,400	117,000	-9,600	-8.2	1,326,500	1,390,800	-64,300	-4.6
Education and Health Services	99,400	105,500	-6,100	-5.8	1,326,600	1,341,300	-14,700	-1.1
Leisure and Hospitality	64,800	85,100	-20,300	-23.9	1,001,100	1,230,500	-229,400	-18.6
Other Services	30,000	32,500	-2,500	-7.7	320,700	351,000	-30,300	-8.6
Government	64,400	66,400	-2,000	-3.0	1,104,800	1,136,000	-31,200	-2.7

<b>Population</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>change</b>	<b>percent change</b>
CareerSource Palm Beach County	1,471,150	1,453,768	17,382	1.2
Florida	21,477,737	21,244,317	233,420	1.1

<b>Average Annual Wage</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>change</b>	<b>percent change</b>
CareerSource Palm Beach County	\$56,428	\$54,785	\$1,643	3.0
Florida	\$51,761	\$50,092	\$1,669	3.3

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