

**Overview of the CareerSource Palm Beach County Region
Not Seasonally Adjusted
June 18, 2021**

- The unemployment rate in the CareerSource Palm Beach County region (Palm Beach County) was 4.6 percent in May 2021. This rate was 9.7 percentage point lower than the region's year ago rate of 14.3 percent. The region's May 2021 unemployment rate was 0.4 percentage point lower than the state rate of 5.0 percent. The labor force was 747,344, up 39,635 (+5.6) over the year. There were 34,199 unemployed residents in the region.
- In May 2021 nonagricultural employment in the West Palm Beach-Boca Raton-Delray Beach Metro Division was 619,700, an increase of 49,200 jobs (+8.6 percent) over the year.
- The leisure and hospitality (+33.4 percent); trade, transportation, and utilities (+8.7 percent); education and health services (+7.2 percent); information (+5.5 percent); and manufacturing (+4.7 percent) industries grew faster in the metro area than the statewide over the year.
- The West Palm Beach-Boca Raton-Delray Beach Metro Division had the second fastest annual job growth compared to all the metro areas in the state in trade, transportation, and utilities (+8.7 percent).
- The West Palm Beach-Boca Raton-Delray Beach Metro Division had the second highest annual job growth compared to all the metro areas in the state in information (+500 jobs).
- The West Palm Beach-Boca Raton-Delray Beach Metro Division was tied for the third highest annual job growth compared to all the metro areas in the state in manufacturing (+900 jobs).
- The West Palm Beach-Boca Raton-Delray Beach Metro Division had the third highest annual job growth compared to all the metro areas in the state in education and health services (+7,100 jobs).
- The industries gaining in jobs over the year were leisure and hospitality (+20,300 jobs); trade, transportation, and utilities (+9,000 jobs); professional and business services (+7,600 jobs); education and health services (+7,100 jobs); other services (+3,000 jobs); financial activities (+1,400 jobs); construction (+1,100 jobs); manufacturing (+900 jobs); and information (+500 jobs).
- The government (-1,700 jobs) industry 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.

Unemployment Rates			
(not seasonally adjusted)	May-21	Apr-21	May-20
CareerSource Palm Beach County	4.6%	4.7%	14.3%
Florida	5.0%	5.2%	14.3%
United States	5.5%	5.7%	13.0%

Nonagricultural Employment by Industry (not seasonally adjusted)	West Palm Beach-Boca Raton-Delray Beach Metropolitan Division				Florida			
	May-21	May-20	change	percent change	May-21	May-20	change	percent change
Total Employment	619,700	570,500	49,200	8.6	8,649,100	8,064,100	585,000	7.3
Mining and Logging	NA	NA	NA	NA	5,500	5,500	0	0.0
Construction	37,700	36,600	1,100	3.0	576,000	558,000	18,000	3.2
Manufacturing	19,900	19,000	900	4.7	381,600	369,000	12,600	3.4
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	112,500	103,500	9,000	8.7	1,755,200	1,640,100	115,100	7.0
Wholesale Trade	23,500	22,400	1,100	4.9	347,600	336,800	10,800	3.2
Retail Trade	74,600	68,000	6,600	9.7	1,058,400	975,400	83,000	8.5
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	14,400	13,100	1,300	9.9	349,200	327,900	21,300	6.5
Information	9,600	9,100	500	5.5	131,100	126,100	5,000	4.0
Financial Activities	43,700	42,300	1,400	3.3	605,100	579,000	26,100	4.5
Professional and Business Services	117,800	110,200	7,600	6.9	1,394,600	1,297,300	97,300	7.5
Education and Health Services	105,600	98,500	7,100	7.2	1,330,100	1,270,400	59,700	4.7
Leisure and Hospitality	81,100	60,800	20,300	33.4	1,040,900	799,800	241,100	30.1
Other Services	31,000	28,000	3,000	10.7	334,100	296,900	37,200	12.5
Government	60,600	62,300	-1,700	-2.7	1,094,900	1,122,000	-27,100	-2.4

Population	2019	2018	change	percent change
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

Average Annual Wage	2019	2018	change	percent change
CareerSource Palm Beach County	\$56,429	\$54,785	\$1,644	3.0
Florida	\$51,744	\$50,092	\$1,652	3.3

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