

**Overview of the CareerSource Palm Beach County Region  
Not Seasonally Adjusted  
September 16, 2022**

- The unemployment rate in the CareerSource Palm Beach County region (Palm Beach County) was 2.9 percent in August 2022. This rate was 1.5 percentage points lower than the region's year ago rate of 4.4 percent. The region's August 2022 unemployment rate was 0.1 percentage point above the state rate of 2.8 percent. The labor force was 769,734, up 32,049 (+4.3 percent) over the year. There were 22,020 unemployed residents in the region.

**West Palm Beach-Boca Raton-Delray Beach Metro Division**

- In August 2022, nonagricultural employment in the West Palm Beach-Boca Raton-Delray Beach MD was 668,400, an increase of 31,400 jobs (+4.9 percent) over the year.
- The Other Services (+16.7 percent); Leisure and Hospitality (+13.4 percent); Education and Health Services (+5.8 percent); and Government (+1.3 percent) industries grew faster in the metro area than statewide over the year.
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- The West Palm Beach-Boca Raton-Delray Beach MD had the second highest annual job growth compared to all the metro areas in the state in the Education and Health Services (+6,000 jobs) industry.
- The West Palm Beach-Boca Raton-Delray Beach MD had the second fastest annual job growth rate compared to all the metro areas in the state in the Leisure and Hospitality (+13.4 percent) industry.
- The industries gaining jobs over the year were Leisure and Hospitality (+10,900 jobs); Education and Health Services (+6,000 jobs); Trade, Transportation, and Utilities (+5,100 jobs); Other Services (+5,100 jobs); Construction (+1,200 jobs); Manufacturing (+1,100 jobs); Financial Activities (+1,000 jobs); Government (+800 jobs); and Professional and Business Services (+200 jobs).
- No industries lost jobs over the year.
- The Information industry was unchanged in 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 (not seasonally adjusted)</b>	<b>Aug-22</b>	<b>Jul-22</b>	<b>Aug-21</b>
CareerSource Palm Beach County	2.9%	2.9%	4.4%
Florida	2.8%	2.8%	4.6%
United States	3.8%	3.8%	5.3%

<b>Nonagricultural Employment by Industry (not seasonally adjusted)</b>	<b>West Palm Beach-Boca Raton-Delray Beach Metropolitan Division</b>				<b>Florida</b>			
	<b>Aug-22</b>	<b>Aug-21</b>	<b>change</b>	<b>percent change</b>	<b>Aug-22</b>	<b>Aug-21</b>	<b>change</b>	<b>percent change</b>
Total Employment	668,400	637,000	31,400	4.9	9,408,900	8,948,400	460,500	5.1
Mining and Logging	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A	5,400	5,400	0	0.0
Construction	40,500	39,300	1,200	3.1	595,300	576,200	19,100	3.3
Manufacturing	21,500	20,400	1,100	5.4	417,000	389,200	27,800	7.1
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	121,900	116,800	5,100	4.4	1,931,400	1,831,000	100,400	5.5
Wholesale Trade	23,600	23,600	0	0.0	384,700	358,000	26,700	7.5
Retail Trade	80,300	76,300	4,000	5.2	1,135,700	1,088,400	47,300	4.3
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	18,000	16,900	1,100	6.5	411,000	384,600	26,400	6.9
Information	10,600	10,600	0	0.0	148,400	141,900	6,500	4.6
Financial Activities	47,200	46,200	1,000	2.2	660,500	629,200	31,300	5.0
Professional and Business Services	125,700	125,500	200	0.2	1,546,000	1,471,000	75,000	5.1
Education and Health Services	109,200	103,200	6,000	5.8	1,386,000	1,340,200	45,800	3.4
Leisure and Hospitality	92,300	81,400	10,900	13.4	1,259,700	1,145,400	114,300	10.0
Other Services	35,700	30,600	5,100	16.7	368,000	335,300	32,700	9.8
Government	63,600	62,800	800	1.3	1,091,200	1,083,600	7,600	0.7

<b>Population</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>change</b>	<b>percent change</b>
CareerSource Palm Beach County	1,507,600	1,497,800	9,800	0.7
Florida	21,781,128	21,569,932	211,196	1.0

<b>Average Annual Wage</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>change</b>	<b>percent change</b>
CareerSource Palm Beach County	\$68,331	\$61,830	\$6,501	10.5
Florida	\$60,299	\$55,840	\$4,459	8.0

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