

**Overview of the CareerSource Palm Beach County Region
Not Seasonally Adjusted
November 20, 2020**

- The unemployment rate in the CareerSource Palm Beach County region (Palm Beach County) was 6.1 percent in October 2020. This rate was 3.0 percentage point higher than the region's year ago rate of 3.1 percent. The region's October 2020 unemployment rate was 0.3 percentage point lower than the state rate of 6.4 percent. The labor force was 706,665, down 30,647 (-4.2) over the year. There were 43,299 unemployed residents in the region.
- In October 2020 nonagricultural employment in the West Palm Bch-Boca Raton-Delray Bch Metro Division was 597,500, a decrease of 41,000 jobs (-6.4 percent) over the year.
- The construction (+0.5 percent) industry grew faster in the metro area than the statewide over the year.
- The industries gaining in jobs over the year were: construction (+200 jobs).
- The leisure and hospitality (-16,800 jobs); education and health services (-6,100 jobs); trade, transportation, and utilities (-5,600 jobs); professional and business services (-5,000 jobs); government (-2,800 jobs); other services (-2,500 jobs); manufacturing (-900 jobs); information (-800 jobs); and financial activities (-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.

Unemployment Rates (not seasonally adjusted)	Oct-20	Sep-20	Oct-19
CareerSource Palm Beach County	6.1%	6.6%	3.1%
Florida	6.4%	7.2%	2.8%
United States	6.6%	7.7%	3.3%

Nonagricultural Employment by Industry (not seasonally adjusted)	West Palm Beach-Boca Raton-Delray Beach Metropolitan Division				Florida			
	Oct-20	Oct-19	change	percent change	Oct-20	Oct-19	change	percent change
Total Employment	597,500	638,500	-41,000	-6.4	8,603,000	9,010,000	-407,000	-4.5
Mining and Logging	NA	NA	NA	NA	5,500	5,700	-200	-3.5
Construction	40,200	40,000	200	0.5	565,700	576,900	-11,200	-1.9
Manufacturing	19,600	20,500	-900	-4.4	381,200	388,200	-7,000	-1.8
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	109,300	114,900	-5,600	-4.9	1,766,200	1,804,100	-37,900	-2.1
Wholesale Trade	21,200	23,200	-2,000	-8.6	345,200	353,300	-8,100	-2.3
Retail Trade	75,000	78,500	-3,500	-4.5	1,083,100	1,105,700	-22,600	-2.0
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilitie	13,100	13,200	-100	-0.8	337,900	345,100	-7,200	-2.1
Information	9,300	10,100	-800	-7.9	127,800	138,600	-10,800	-7.8
Financial Activities	43,100	43,800	-700	-1.6	590,900	596,900	-6,000	-1.0
Professional and Business Services	110,600	115,600	-5,000	-4.3	1,353,400	1,405,700	-52,300	-3.7
Education and Health Services	100,400	106,500	-6,100	-5.7	1,334,900	1,358,400	-23,500	-1.7
Leisure and Hospitality	70,300	87,100	-16,800	-19.3	1,042,700	1,239,700	-197,000	-15.9
Other Services	30,300	32,800	-2,500	-7.6	324,900	349,200	-24,300	-7.0
Government	64,300	67,100	-2,800	-4.2	1,109,800	1,146,600	-36,800	-3.2

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	\$56,428	\$54,785	\$1,643	3.0
Florida	\$51,761	\$50,092	\$1,669	3.3

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