

**Overview of the CareerSource Palm Beach County Region  
Not Seasonally Adjusted  
March 26, 2021**

- The unemployment rate in the CareerSource Palm Beach County region (Palm Beach County) was 4.5 percent in February 2021. This rate was 1.2 percentage point higher than the region's year ago rate of 3.3 percent. The region's February 2021 unemployment rate was 0.5 percentage point lower than the state rate of 5.0 percent. The labor force was 727,766, down 23,413 (-3.1) over the year. There were 32,887 unemployed residents in the region.
- In February 2021 nonagricultural employment in the West Palm Bch-Boca Raton-Delray Bch Metro Division was 613,400, a decrease of 40,800 jobs (-6.2 percent) over the year.
- The leisure and hospitality (-14,500 jobs); education and health services (-7,700 jobs); government (-6,800 jobs); trade, transportation, and utilities (-5,300 jobs); other services (-3,200 jobs); information (-1,700 jobs); construction (-700 jobs); financial activities (-400 jobs); manufacturing (-300 jobs); and professional and business services (-200 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 (not seasonally adjusted)</b>	<b>Feb-21</b>	<b>Jan-21</b>	<b>Feb-20</b>
CareerSource Palm Beach County	4.5%	4.8%	3.3%
Florida	5.0%	5.3%	3.1%
United States	6.6%	6.8%	3.8%

<b>Nonagricultural Employment by Industry (not seasonally adjusted)</b>	<b>West Palm Beach-Boca Raton-Delray Beach Metropolitan Division</b>				<b>Florida</b>			
	<b>Feb-21</b>	<b>Feb-20</b>	<b>change</b>	<b>percent change</b>	<b>Feb-21</b>	<b>Feb-20</b>	<b>change</b>	<b>percent change</b>
Total Employment	613,400	654,200	-40,800	-6.2	8,532,900	9,110,400	-577,500	-6.3
Mining and Logging	NA	NA	NA	NA	5,500	5,500	0	0.0
Construction	37,200	37,900	-700	-1.8	558,100	574,500	-16,400	-2.9
Manufacturing	19,800	20,100	-300	-1.5	377,400	389,500	-12,100	-3.1
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	112,300	117,600	-5,300	-4.5	1,756,700	1,815,700	-59,000	-3.2
Wholesale Trade	22,600	24,000	-1,400	-5.8	342,900	356,900	-14,000	-3.9
Retail Trade	75,400	79,600	-4,200	-5.3	1,064,300	1,101,800	-37,500	-3.4
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilitie	14,300	14,000	300	2.1	349,500	357,000	-7,500	-2.1
Information	9,500	11,200	-1,700	-15.2	129,400	139,600	-10,200	-7.3
Financial Activities	43,800	44,200	-400	-0.9	598,900	602,700	-3,800	-0.6
Professional and Business Services	116,700	116,900	-200	-0.2	1,372,600	1,409,800	-37,200	-2.6
Education and Health Services	101,100	108,800	-7,700	-7.1	1,315,400	1,375,900	-60,500	-4.4
Leisure and Hospitality	81,400	95,900	-14,500	-15.1	994,900	1,287,500	-292,600	-22.7
Other Services	30,500	33,700	-3,200	-9.5	325,000	355,800	-30,800	-8.7
Government	60,900	67,700	-6,800	-10.0	1,099,000	1,153,900	-54,900	-4.8

<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	\$56,429	\$54,785	\$1,644	3.0
Florida	\$51,744	\$50,092	\$1,652	3.3

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