

**Overview of the CareerSource Palm Beach County Region
Not Seasonally Adjusted
November 19, 2021**

- The unemployment rate in the CareerSource Palm Beach County region (Palm Beach County) was 4.0 percent in October 2021. This rate was 1.1 percentage points lower than the region's year ago rate of 5.1 percent. The region's October 2021 unemployment rate was equal to the state rate of 4.0 percent. The labor force was 755,120, up 44,111 (+6.2 percent) over the year. There were 30,161 unemployed residents in the region.
- In October 2021 nonagricultural employment in the West Palm Beach-Boca Raton-Delray Beach Metro Division was 630,500, an increase of 24,400 jobs (+4.0 percent) over the year.
- The construction (+4.5 percent) and manufacturing (+4.1 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 third fastest annual job growth rate compared to all the metro areas in the state in information (+5.3 percent).
- 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 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 (+800 jobs).
- The industries gaining in jobs over the year were leisure and hospitality (+10,000 jobs); professional and business services (+3,900 jobs); trade, transportation, and utilities (+3,700 jobs); education and health services (+3,700 jobs); construction (+1,700 jobs); other services (+1,500 jobs); financial activities (+1,300 jobs); manufacturing (+800 jobs); and information (+500 jobs).
- The government (-2,700 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)	Oct-21	Sep-21	Oct-20
CareerSource Palm Beach County	4.0%	4.1%	5.1%
Florida	4.0%	4.3%	5.6%
United States	4.3%	4.6%	6.6%

Nonagricultural Employment by Industry (not seasonally adjusted)	West Palm Beach-Boca Raton-Delray Beach Metropolitan Division				Florida			
	Oct-21	Oct-20	change	percent change	Oct-21	Oct-20	change	percent change
Total Employment	630,500	606,100	24,400	4.0	8,941,900	8,492,500	449,400	5.3
Mining and Logging	NA	NA	NA	NA	5,700	5,300	400	7.5
Construction	39,600	37,900	1,700	4.5	580,200	562,600	17,600	3.1
Manufacturing	20,100	19,300	800	4.1	384,600	374,900	9,700	2.6
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	115,100	111,400	3,700	3.3	1,817,900	1,744,200	73,700	4.2
Wholesale Trade	24,100	22,600	1,500	6.6	355,100	341,300	13,800	4.0
Retail Trade	76,100	75,100	1,000	1.3	1,096,000	1,062,300	33,700	3.2
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilitie	14,900	13,700	1,200	8.8	366,800	340,600	26,200	7.7
Information	9,900	9,400	500	5.3	137,700	129,900	7,800	6.0
Financial Activities	44,800	43,500	1,300	3.0	626,700	595,000	31,700	5.3
Professional and Business Services	122,000	118,100	3,900	3.3	1,440,700	1,363,200	77,500	5.7
Education and Health Services	105,500	101,800	3,700	3.6	1,363,000	1,311,800	51,200	3.9
Leisure and Hospitality	83,100	73,100	10,000	13.7	1,118,200	972,100	146,100	15.0
Other Services	31,100	29,600	1,500	5.1	349,400	319,600	29,800	9.3
Government	59,100	61,800	-2,700	-4.4	1,117,800	1,113,900	3,900	0.4

Population	2020	2019	change	percent change
CareerSource Palm Beach County	1,507,600	1,497,800	9,800	0.7
Florida	21,733,312	21,492,056	241,256	1.1

Average Annual Wage	2020	2019	change	percent change
CareerSource Palm Beach County	\$61,850	\$56,429	\$5,421	9.6
Florida	\$55,845	\$51,744	\$4,101	7.9

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