

January 2020 Labor Trends

Palm Beach County's January unemployment rate of **3.2%** is up from the December rate of 2.7% reflecting a net loss of 3,669 jobs.

Continued employment growth for Palm Beach County is indicated by the **0.9** percentage increase in the number of total non-agricultural jobs during the last twelve months. This represents a net gain of 5,800 jobs.

	Jan-20	Dec-19	Jan-19	Change Jan 2019 Jan 2020	Percent Change	Change Dec 2019 Jan 2020	Percent Change
Palm Beach County Labor Force							
Civilian Labor Force	737,808	740,986	736,447	1,361	0.2%	-3,178	-0.4%
Employment	714,271	721,118	707,880	6,391	0.9%	-6,847	-0.9%
Unemployment	23,537	19,868	28,567	-5,030	-17.6%	3,669	18.5%
Unemployment Rate	3.2%	2.7%	3.9%				
Florida	3.0%	2.5%	3.8%				
National	4.0%	3.4%	4.4%				

Industry Title	Change from						
	January 2020	December 2019	January 2019	Dec 2019 to Jan 2020 Level	Jan 2020 Percent	Jan 2019 to Jan 2020 Level	Jan 2019 to Jan 2020 Percent
Total Nonagricultural Employment	644,400	649,000	638,600	-4,600	-0.7%	5,800	0.9%
Total Private	576,200	581,400	572,300	-5,200	-0.9%	3,900	0.7%
Goods Producing	60,300	60,500	58,800	-200	-0.3%	1,500	2.6%
Construction	39,500	39,800	38,400	-300	-0.8%	1,100	2.9%
Specialty Trade Contractors	26,000	26,400	25,400	-400	-1.5%	600	2.4%
Manufacturing	20,700	20,600	20,300	100	0.5%	400	2.0%
Service Providing	584,100	588,500	579,800	-4,400	-0.7%	4,300	0.7%
Private Service Providing	515,900	520,900	513,500	-5,000	-1.0%	2,400	0.5%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	115,600	117,800	117,700	-2,200	-1.9%	-2,100	-1.8%
Wholesale Trade	23,600	23,300	23,900	300	1.3%	-300	-1.3%
Retail Trade	78,500	80,700	80,400	-2,200	-2.7%	-1,900	-2.4%
Food and Beverage Stores	19,800	19,900	19,200	-100	-0.5%	600	3.1%
Health and Personal Care Stores	5,700	5,800	6,000	-100	-1.7%	-300	-5.0%
General Merchandise Stores	14,100	15,200	14,600	-1,100	-7.2%	-500	-3.4%
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	13,500	13,800	13,400	-300	-2.2%	100	0.7%
Information	10,000	10,200	10,300	-200	-2.0%	-300	-2.9%
Financial Activities	42,900	44,300	42,300	-1,400	-3.2%	600	1.4%
Finance and Insurance	24,600	25,500	24,700	-900	-3.5%	-100	-0.4%
Depository Credit Intermediation	5,800	5,800	5,900	0	0.0%	-100	-1.7%
Professional and Business Services	115,100	115,300	114,200	-200	-0.2%	900	0.8%
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	49,400	49,600	48,700	-200	-0.4%	700	1.4%
Management of Companies and Enterprises	11,600	11,600	11,500	0	0.0%	100	0.9%
Administrative and Support and Waste Services	54,100	54,100	54,000	0	0.0%	100	0.2%
Employment Services	16,500	17,000	16,200	-500	-2.9%	300	1.9%
Education and Health Services	104,700	106,100	104,200	-1,400	-1.3%	500	0.5%
Ambulatory Health Care Services	44,200	44,000	44,000	200	0.5%	200	0.5%
Hospitals	20,600	20,700	20,200	-100	-0.5%	400	2.0%
Leisure and Hospitality	94,300	93,800	91,700	500	0.5%	2,600	2.8%
Accommodation and Food Services	72,200	71,900	71,000	300	0.4%	1,200	1.7%
Accommodation	11,600	11,600	11,500	0	0.0%	100	0.9%
Food Services and Drinking Places	60,600	60,300	59,500	300	0.5%	1,100	1.8%
Other Services	33,300	33,400	33,100	-100	-0.3%	200	0.6%
Total Government	68,200	67,600	66,300	600	0.9%	1,900	2.9%
Federal	7,000	7,100	6,900	-100	-1.4%	100	1.4%
State	12,600	12,700	12,400	-100	-0.8%	200	1.6%
Local	48,600	47,800	47,000	800	1.7%	1,600	3.4%

* = less than 0.1 percent

Note: Employment estimates have been rounded to the nearest hundred. Sum of detail may not equal totals due to rounding or the exclusion of certain industries from publication. All data are subject to revision.

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