

## May 2013 Labor Trends

Palm Beach County's May unemployment rate of **7.0%** is up from the April rate of **6.8%** reflecting a loss of 1,766 jobs.

However continued employment growth for Palm Beach County is indicated by the **1.3** percentage increase in the number of total non-agricultural jobs during the last twelve months. This represents a net gain of 6,800 jobs.

	May-13	Apr-13	May-12	Change May 2012 May 2013	Percent Change	Change Apr 2013 May 2013	Percent Change
Palm Beach County Labor Force							
Civilian Labor Force	637,921	631,883	636,925	996	0.2%	6,038	1.0%
Employment	593,309	589,037	581,986	11,323	1.9%	4,272	0.7%
Unemployment	44,612	42,846	54,939	-10,327	-18.8%	1,766	4.1%
Unemployment Rate	<b>7.0%</b>	<b>6.8%</b>	<b>8.6%</b>				
Florida	7.0%	6.8%	8.6%				
National	7.3%	7.1%	7.9%				

Industry Title	May 2013	Apr 2013	May 2012	Change from		Change from	
				Apr 2013 to May 2013 Level	Percent	May 2012 to May 2013 Level	Percent
<b>Total Nonagricultural Employment</b>	529,300	529,700	522,500	-400	-0.1%	6,800	1.3%
<b>Total Private</b>	464,400	464,900	458,900	-500	-0.1%	5,500	1.2%
<b>Goods Producing</b>	36,900	36,900	38,700	0	0.0%	-1,800	-4.7%
<b>Construction</b>	22,700	22,600	23,400	100	0.4%	-700	-3.0%
Specialty Trade Contractors	14,100	14,300	14,900	-200	-1.4%	-800	-5.4%
<b>Manufacturing</b>	14,000	14,100	15,100	-100	-0.7%	-1,100	-7.3%
<b>Service Providing</b>	492,400	492,800	483,800	-400	-0.1%	8,600	1.8%
<b>Private Service Providing</b>	427,500	428,000	420,200	-500	-0.1%	7,300	1.7%
<b>Trade, Transportation, and Utilities</b>	102,800	102,600	99,800	200	0.2%	3,000	3.0%
<b>Wholesale Trade</b>	21,700	21,800	21,400	-100	-0.5%	300	1.4%
<b>Retail Trade</b>	71,800	71,500	69,400	300	0.4%	2,400	3.5%
Food and Beverage Stores	15,700	15,700	15,000	0	0.0%	700	4.7%
Health and Personal Care Stores	5,300	5,300	5,300	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
General Merchandise Stores	14,000	14,200	13,800	-200	-1.4%	200	1.5%
<b>Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities</b>	9,300	9,300	9,000	0	0.0%	300	3.3%
<b>Information</b>	9,000	9,000	9,200	0	0.0%	-200	-2.2%
<b>Financial Activities</b>	35,600	35,600	36,800	0	0.0%	-1,200	-3.3%
<b>Finance and Insurance</b>	22,000	22,100	22,700	-100	-0.5%	-700	-3.1%
Depository Credit Intermediation	6,700	6,600	6,700	100	1.5%	0	0.0%
<b>Professional and Business Services</b>	92,200	92,900	90,400	-700	-0.8%	1,800	2.0%
<b>Professional and Technical Services</b>	39,100	39,400	38,700	-300	-0.8%	400	1.0%
<b>Management of Companies and Enterprises</b>	8,800	8,800	8,800	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
<b>Administrative and Waste Services</b>	44,300	44,700	42,900	-400	-0.9%	1,400	3.3%
Employment Services	10,000	10,100	10,500	-100	-1.0%	-500	-4.8%
<b>Education and Health Services</b>	86,000	84,800	82,800	1,200	1.4%	3,200	3.9%
Ambulatory Health Care Services	35,300	34,500	33,000	800	2.3%	2,300	7.0%
Hospitals	17,200	16,900	17,100	300	1.8%	100	0.6%
<b>Leisure and Hospitality</b>	74,800	76,000	74,100	-1,200	-1.6%	700	0.9%
<b>Accommodation and Food Services</b>	58,800	59,100	58,200	-300	-0.5%	600	1.0%
Accommodation	9,800	10,000	10,200	-200	-2.0%	-400	-3.9%
Food Services and Drinking Places	49,000	49,100	48,000	-100	-0.2%	1,000	2.1%
<b>Other Services</b>	27,100	27,100	27,100	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
<b>Total Government</b>	64,900	64,800	63,600	100	0.2%	1,300	2.0%
Federal	6,300	6,300	6,300	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
State	8,900	8,900	9,100	0	0.0%	-200	-2.2%
Local	49,700	49,600	48,200	100	0.2%	1,500	3.1%

\* = 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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