November 2013 Labor Trends



Palm Beach County's November unemployment rate of 6.4% is down from the October rate of 6.7% reflecting a gain of 2,063 jobs.

Continued employment growth for Palm Beach County is indicated by the **2.3** percentage increase in the number of total non-agricultural jobs during the last twelve months. This represents a net gain of 12,000 jobs.

Palm Beach County Labor Force	Nov-13	Oct-13	Nov-12	Change Nov 2012 Nov 2013	Percent Change	Change Oct 2013 Nov 2013	Percent Change
Civilian Labor Force	636,413	633,890	635,579	834	0.1%	2,523	0.4%
Employment	595,815	591,229	584,236	11,579	2.0%	4,586	0.8%
Unemployment	40,598	42,661	51,343	-10,745	-20.9%	-2,063	-4.8%
Unemployment Rate	6.4%	6.7%	8.1%				
Florida	6.2%	6.6%	7.9%				
National	6.6%	7.0%	7.4%				

Industry Title	Nov	Oct 2013		Change from			
			Nov	Oct 2013 to Nov 2013		Nov 2012 to Nov 2013	
	2013		2012	Level	Percent	Level	Percent
Total Nonagricultural Employment	539,700	531,700	527,700	8,000	1.5%	12,000	2.3%
Total Private	473,700	465,900	463,800	7,800	1.7%	9,900	2.1%
Goods Producing	38,600	38,100	40,200	500	1.3%	-1,600	-4.0%
Construction	24,200	24,000	24,800	200	0.8%	-600	-2.4%
Specialty Trade Contractors	15,300	15,300	15,700	0	0.0%	-400	-2.6%
Manufacturing	14,200	13,900	15,200	300	2.2%	-1,000	-6.6%
Service Providing	501,100	493,600	487,500	7,500	1.5%	13,600	2.8%
Private Service Providing	435,100	427,800	423,600	7,300	1.7%	11,500	2.7%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	107,000	104,900	102,300	2,100	2.0%	4,700	4.6%
Wholesale Trade	21,600	21,300	21,600	300	1.4%	0	0.0%
Retail Trade	75,900	74,200	71,500	1,700	2.3%	4,400	6.2%
Food and Beverage Stores	16,500	16,300	15,100	200	1.2%	1,400	9.3%
Health and Personal Care Stores	5,400	5,300	5,300	100	1.9%	100	1.9%
General Merchandise Stores	15,300	14,300	14,800	1,000	7.0%	500	3.4%
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	9,500	9,400	9,200	100	1.1%	300	3.3%
Information	8,900	9,000	9,100	-100	-1.1%	-200	-2.2%
Financial Activities	36,500	36,300	36,400	200	0.6%	100	0.3%
Finance and Insurance	22,300	22,400	22,600	-100	-0.5%	-300	-1.3%
Depository Credit Intermediation	6,700	6,700	6,700	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Professional and Business Services	94,200	93,500	92,000	700	0.7%	2,200	2.4%
Professional and Technical Services	40,800	41,000	40,200	-200	-0.5%	600	1.5%
Management of Companies and Enterprises	9,000	8,800	8,900	200	2.3%	100	1.1%
Administrative and Waste Services	44,400	43,700	42,900	700	1.6%	1,500	3.5%
Employment Services	9,800	9,900	9,800	-100	-1.0%	0	0.0%
Education and Health Services	85,900	85,000	83,200	900	1.1%	2,700	3.2%
Ambulatory Health Care Services	35,500	35,300	33,100	200	0.6%	2,400	7.3%
Hospitals	16,600	16,900	17,200	-300	-1.8%	-600	-3.5%
Leisure and Hospitality	75,300	72,100	73,700	3,200	4.4%	1,600	2.2%
Accommodation and Food Services	57,800	56,300	56,800	1,500	2.7%	1,000	1.8%
Accommodation	9,800	9,500	9,800	300	3.2%	0	0.0%
Food Services and Drinking Places	48,000	46,800	47,000	1,200	2.6%	1,000	2.1%
Other Services	27,300	27,000	26,900	300	1.1%	400	1.5%
Total Government	66,000	65,800	63,900	200	0.3%	2,100	3.3%
Federal	6,400	6,400	6,400	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
State	9,000	8,900	9,100	100	1.1%	-100	-1.1%
Local	50,600	50,500	48,400	100	0.2%	2,200	4.5%

* = 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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