

January 2014 Labor Trends

Palm Beach County's January unemployment rate of **6.3%** is up from the December rate of **6.0%** reflecting a net loss of 2,643 jobs.

However, continued employment growth for Palm Beach County is indicated by the **2.6** percentage increase in the number of total non-agricultural jobs during the last twelve months. This represents a net gain of 14,100 jobs.

	Jan-14	Dec-13	Jan-13	Change Jan 2013 Jan 2014	Percent Change	Change Dec 2013 Jan 2014	Percent Change
Palm Beach County Labor Force							
Civilian Labor Force	651,439	648,501	643,997	7,442	1.2%	2,938	0.5%
Employment	610,200	609,905	590,465	19,735	3.3%	295	0.0%
Unemployment	41,239	38,596	53,532	-12,293	-23.0%	2,643	6.8%
Unemployment Rate	6.3%	6.0%	8.3%				
Florida	6.3%	5.9%	8.4%				
National	7.0%	6.5%	8.5%				

Industry Title	Change from							
	Jan 2014	Dec 2013	Jan 2013	Dec 2013 to Jan 2014 Level	Jan 2014 Percent	Jan 2013 to Jan 2014 Level	Jan 2013 to Jan 2014 Percent	
Total Nonagricultural Employment	547,400	555,700	533,300	-8,300	-1.5%	14,100	2.6%	
Total Private	484,200	492,100	471,300	-7,900	-1.6%	12,900	2.7%	
Goods Producing	42,300	43,300	40,300	-1,000	-2.3%	2,000	5.0%	
Construction	26,700	27,400	24,800	-700	-2.6%	1,900	7.7%	
Specialty Trade Contractors	17,800	18,300	15,900	-500	-2.7%	1,900	12.0%	
Manufacturing	15,500	15,800	15,400	-300	-1.9%	100	0.7%	
Service Providing	505,100	512,400	493,000	-7,300	-1.4%	12,100	2.5%	
Private Service Providing	441,900	448,800	431,000	-6,900	-1.5%	10,900	2.5%	
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	103,100	107,600	102,000	-4,500	-4.2%	1,100	1.1%	
Wholesale Trade	22,200	22,300	22,000	-100	-0.5%	200	0.9%	
Retail Trade	71,300	75,400	70,700	-4,100	-5.4%	600	0.9%	
Food and Beverage Stores	16,600	16,800	16,000	-200	-1.2%	600	3.8%	
Health and Personal Care Stores	5,600	5,700	5,400	-100	-1.8%	200	3.7%	
General Merchandise Stores	13,800	15,000	13,700	-1,200	-8.0%	100	0.7%	
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	9,600	9,900	9,300	-300	-3.0%	300	3.2%	
Information	9,500	9,600	9,400	-100	-1.0%	100	1.1%	
Financial Activities	38,000	37,900	37,300	100	0.3%	700	1.9%	
Finance and Insurance	23,100	23,500	22,800	-400	-1.7%	300	1.3%	
Depository Credit Intermediation	6,600	6,700	6,600	-100	-1.5%	0	0.0%	
Professional and Business Services	98,300	99,500	92,600	-1,200	-1.2%	5,700	6.2%	
Professional and Technical Services	42,400	42,800	39,800	-400	-0.9%	2,600	6.5%	
Management of Companies and Enterprises	9,500	9,500	9,300	0	0.0%	200	2.2%	
Administrative and Waste Services	46,400	47,200	43,500	-800	-1.7%	2,900	6.7%	
Employment Services	11,800	12,300	11,100	-500	-4.1%	700	6.3%	
Education and Health Services	86,400	87,000	83,700	-600	-0.7%	2,700	3.2%	
Ambulatory Health Care Services	35,900	35,700	34,100	200	0.6%	1,800	5.3%	
Hospitals	17,700	18,000	17,600	-300	-1.7%	100	0.6%	
Leisure and Hospitality	77,500	77,700	76,900	-200	-0.3%	600	0.8%	
Accommodation and Food Services	59,900	60,200	59,500	-300	-0.5%	400	0.7%	
Accommodation	10,300	10,400	10,400	-100	-1.0%	-100	-1.0%	
Food Services and Drinking Places	49,600	49,800	49,100	-200	-0.4%	500	1.0%	
Other Services	29,100	29,500	29,100	-400	-1.4%	0	0.0%	
Total Government	63,200	63,600	62,000	-400	-0.6%	1,200	1.9%	
Federal	6,400	6,500	6,400	-100	-1.5%	0	0.0%	
State	8,600	8,900	8,700	-300	-3.4%	-100	-1.2%	
Local	48,200	48,200	46,900	0	0.0%	1,300	2.8%	

* = 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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