

November 2014 Labor Trends

Palm Beach County's November unemployment rate of **5.2%** is down from the October rate of **5.6%** reflecting a net gain of 2,414 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 12,900 jobs.

	Nov-14	Oct-14	Nov-13	Change Nov 2013 Nov 2014	Percent Change	Change Oct 2014 Nov 2014	Percent Change
Palm Beach County Labor Force							
Civilian Labor Force	663,920	667,247	649,944	13,976	2.2%	-3,327	-0.5%
Employment	629,074	629,987	607,687	21,387	3.5%	-913	-0.1%
Unemployment	34,846	37,260	42,257	-7,411	-17.5%	-2,414	-6.5%
Unemployment Rate	5.2%	5.6%	6.5%				
Florida	5.6%	5.8%	6.4%				
National	5.5%	5.5%	6.6%				

Industry Title	November 2014	October 2014	November 2013	Change from		Change from	
				Oct 2014 to Nov 2014 Level	Percent	Nov 2013 to Nov 2014 Level	Percent
Total Nonagricultural Employment	565,000	558,100	552,100	6,900	1.2%	12,900	2.3%
Total Private	501,900	494,100	488,600	7,800	1.6%	13,300	2.7%
Goods Producing	45,400	45,500	43,500	-100	-0.2%	1,900	4.4%
Construction	29,600	30,000	27,600	-400	-1.3%	2,000	7.3%
Specialty Trade Contractors	20,100	20,200	18,300	-100	-0.5%	1,800	9.8%
Manufacturing	15,700	15,400	15,800	300	2.0%	-100	-0.6%
Service Providing	519,600	512,600	508,600	7,000	1.4%	11,000	2.2%
Private Service Providing	456,500	448,600	445,100	7,900	1.8%	11,400	2.6%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	108,000	105,400	105,500	2,600	2.5%	2,500	2.4%
Wholesale Trade	22,700	22,300	22,000	400	1.8%	700	3.2%
Retail Trade	75,200	73,200	73,900	2,000	2.7%	1,300	1.8%
Food and Beverage Stores	17,200	16,900	16,700	300	1.8%	500	3.0%
Health and Personal Care Stores	5,800	5,700	5,700	100	1.8%	100	1.8%
General Merchandise Stores	14,700	13,700	14,500	1,000	7.3%	200	1.4%
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	10,100	9,900	9,600	200	2.0%	500	5.2%
Information	9,600	9,600	9,600	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	38,500	38,100	38,200	400	1.1%	300	0.8%
Finance and Insurance	23,600	23,500	23,400	100	0.4%	200	0.9%
Depository Credit Intermediation	6,500	6,500	6,600	0	0.0%	-100	-1.5%
Professional and Business Services	102,100	101,800	99,300	300	0.3%	2,800	2.8%
Professional and Technical Services	43,400	43,500	42,400	-100	-0.2%	1,000	2.4%
Management of Companies and Enterprises	9,400	9,300	9,500	100	1.1%	-100	-1.1%
Administrative and Waste Services	49,300	49,000	47,400	300	0.6%	1,900	4.0%
Employment Services	13,300	13,500	12,400	-200	-1.5%	900	7.3%
Education and Health Services	90,300	90,000	86,400	300	0.3%	3,900	4.5%
Ambulatory Health Care Services	38,200	37,900	35,400	300	0.8%	2,800	7.9%
Hospitals	18,200	18,100	17,500	100	0.6%	700	4.0%
Leisure and Hospitality	78,400	74,900	76,400	3,500	4.7%	2,000	2.6%
Accommodation and Food Services	60,400	58,500	59,200	1,900	3.3%	1,200	2.0%
Accommodation	10,300	10,000	10,200	300	3.0%	100	1.0%
Food Services and Drinking Places	50,100	48,500	49,000	1,600	3.3%	1,100	2.2%
Other Services	29,600	28,800	29,700	800	2.8%	-100	-0.3%
Total Government	63,100	64,000	63,500	-900	-1.4%	-400	-0.6%
Federal	6,500	6,500	6,500	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
State	9,200	9,200	9,000	0	0.0%	200	2.2%
Local	47,400	48,300	48,000	-900	-1.9%	-600	-1.3%

* = 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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