

## July 2015 Labor Trends

Palm Beach County's July unemployment rate of **5.6%** is up from the June rate of 5.2% reflecting a net loss of 2,164 jobs.

However, continued employment growth for Palm Beach County is indicated by the **3.0** percentage increase in the number of total non-agricultural jobs during the last twelve months. This represents a net gain of 16,500 jobs.

	Jul-15	Jun-15	Jul-14	Change July 2014 July 2015	Percent Change	Change June 2015 July 2015	Percent Change
Palm Beach County Labor Force							
Civilian Labor Force	680,579	680,003	689,343	-8,764	-1.3%	576	0.1%
Employment	642,804	644,392	644,723	-1,919	-0.3%	-1,588	-0.2%
Unemployment	37,775	35,611	44,620	-6,845	-15.3%	2,164	6.1%
Unemployment Rate	<b>5.6%</b>	<b>5.2%</b>	<b>6.5%</b>				
Florida	5.7%	5.6%	6.7%				
National	5.6%	5.5%	6.5%				

Industry Title	July 2015	June 2015	July 2014	Change from			
				June 2015 to Level	July 2015 Percent	July 2014 to Level	July 2015 Percent
<b>Total Nonagricultural Employment</b>	567,100	570,800	550,600	-3,700	-0.7%	16,500	3.0%
<b>Total Private</b>	510,600	514,300	493,900	-3,700	-0.7%	16,700	3.4%
<b>Goods Producing</b>	44,500	45,000	44,600	-500	-1.1%	-100	-0.2%
<b>Construction</b>	28,300	28,500	28,600	-200	-0.7%	-300	-1.1%
Specialty Trade Contractors	19,600	19,500	19,000	100	0.5%	600	3.2%
<b>Manufacturing</b>	16,100	16,400	15,900	-300	-1.8%	200	1.3%
<b>Service Providing</b>	522,600	525,800	506,000	-3,200	-0.6%	16,600	3.3%
<b>Private Service Providing</b>	466,100	469,300	449,300	-3,200	-0.7%	16,800	3.7%
<b>Trade, Transportation, and Utilities</b>	107,800	108,900	105,900	-1,100	-1.0%	1,900	1.8%
<b>Wholesale Trade</b>	22,700	22,900	22,100	-200	-0.9%	600	2.7%
<b>Retail Trade</b>	74,300	75,200	73,500	-900	-1.2%	800	1.1%
Food and Beverage Stores	16,800	17,000	16,600	-200	-1.2%	200	1.2%
Health and Personal Care Stores	5,700	5,600	5,600	100	1.8%	100	1.8%
General Merchandise Stores	14,200	14,400	13,800	-200	-1.4%	400	2.9%
<b>Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities</b>	10,800	10,800	10,300	0	0.0%	500	4.9%
<b>Information</b>	10,100	10,200	10,700	-100	-1.0%	-600	-5.6%
<b>Financial Activities</b>	39,100	38,900	38,600	200	0.5%	500	1.3%
<b>Finance and Insurance</b>	23,600	23,400	23,800	200	0.9%	-200	-0.8%
Depository Credit Intermediation	6,300	6,300	6,400	0	0.0%	-100	-1.6%
<b>Professional and Business Services</b>	108,400	108,000	101,200	400	0.4%	7,200	7.1%
<b>Professional and Technical Services</b>	47,700	46,500	42,600	1,200	2.6%	5,100	12.0%
<b>Management of Companies and Enterprises</b>	10,100	10,100	9,700	0	0.0%	400	4.1%
<b>Administrative and Waste Services</b>	50,600	51,400	48,900	-800	-1.6%	1,700	3.5%
Employment Services	14,100	14,300	13,200	-200	-1.4%	900	6.8%
<b>Education and Health Services</b>	91,700	91,200	87,800	500	0.6%	3,900	4.4%
Ambulatory Health Care Services	38,500	38,100	37,100	400	1.1%	1,400	3.8%
Hospitals	17,800	17,800	17,700	0	0.0%	100	0.6%
<b>Leisure and Hospitality</b>	77,500	80,200	75,100	-2,700	-3.4%	2,400	3.2%
<b>Accommodation and Food Services</b>	61,200	63,200	59,000	-2,000	-3.2%	2,200	3.7%
Accommodation	10,300	10,400	10,100	-100	-1.0%	200	2.0%
Food Services and Drinking Places	50,900	52,800	48,900	-1,900	-3.6%	2,000	4.1%
<b>Other Services</b>	31,500	31,900	30,000	-400	-1.3%	1,500	5.0%
<b>Total Government</b>	56,500	56,500	56,700	0	0.0%	-200	-0.4%
Federal	6,700	6,700	6,500	0	0.0%	200	3.1%
State	8,100	8,100	7,900	0	0.0%	200	2.5%
Local	41,700	41,700	42,300	0	0.0%	-600	-1.4%

\* = 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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