

July 2016 Labor Trends

Palm Beach County's July unemployment rate of **5.2%** is up from the June rate of 4.9% reflecting a net loss of 43 jobs and an 8,383 growth in labor force.

However, continued employment growth for Palm Beach County is indicated by the **3.1** percentage increase in the number of total non-agricultural jobs during the last twelve months. This represents a net gain of 18,000 jobs.

	Jul-16	Jun-16	Jul-15	Change Jul 2015 Jul 2016	Percent Change	Change Jun 2016 Jul 2016	Percent Change
Palm Beach County Labor Force							
Civilian Labor Force	703,864	695,481	692,469	11,395	1.6%	8,383	1.2%
Employment	667,380	661,040	653,420	13,960	2.1%	6,340	1.0%
Unemployment	34,484	34,441	39,049	-4,565	-11.7%	43	0.1%
Unemployment Rate	5.2%	5.0%	5.6%				
Florida	5.1%	4.9%	5.8%				
National	5.1%	5.1%	5.6%				

Industry Title	July 2016	June 2016	July 2015	Change from			
				June 2016 to Level	July 2016 Percent	July 2015 to Level	July 2016 Percent
Total Nonagricultural Employment	591,600	588,200	573,600	3,400	0.6%	18,000	3.1%
Total Private	533,500	530,400	516,500	3,100	0.6%	17,000	3.3%
Goods Producing	49,500	48,600	48,200	900	1.9%	1,300	2.7%
Construction	32,600	31,100	31,100	1,500	4.8%	1,500	4.8%
Specialty Trade Contractors	21,700	21,200	20,700	500	2.4%	1,000	4.8%
Manufacturing	16,800	17,400	17,000	-600	-3.4%	-200	-1.2%
Service Providing	542,100	539,600	525,400	2,500	0.5%	16,700	3.2%
Private Service Providing	484,000	481,800	468,300	2,200	0.5%	15,700	3.4%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	112,400	112,800	111,400	-400	-0.4%	1,000	0.9%
Wholesale Trade	24,000	24,100	23,400	-100	-0.4%	600	2.6%
Retail Trade	77,400	77,400	77,300	0	0.0%	100	0.1%
Food and Beverage Stores	17,400	17,500	17,400	-100	-0.6%	0	0.0%
Health and Personal Care Stores	5,800	5,900	5,900	-100	-1.7%	-100	-1.7%
General Merchandise Stores	14,400	14,500	14,500	-100	-0.7%	-100	-0.7%
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	11,000	11,300	10,700	-300	-2.7%	300	2.8%
Information	10,400	10,500	10,300	-100	-1.0%	100	1.0%
Financial Activities	41,600	41,500	40,000	100	0.2%	1,600	4.0%
Finance and Insurance	25,000	25,200	24,500	-200	-0.8%	500	2.0%
Depository Credit Intermediation	6,300	6,300	6,300	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Professional and Business Services	111,000	107,600	106,500	3,400	3.2%	4,500	4.2%
Professional and Technical Services	45,900	44,500	43,600	1,400	3.1%	2,300	5.3%
Management of Companies and Enterprises	10,800	10,700	10,500	100	0.9%	300	2.9%
Administrative and Waste Services	54,300	52,400	52,400	1,900	3.6%	1,900	3.6%
Employment Services	16,800	16,400	16,400	400	2.4%	400	2.4%
Education and Health Services	95,500	95,800	91,900	-300	-0.3%	3,600	3.9%
Ambulatory Health Care Services	41,300	41,400	39,200	-100	-0.2%	2,100	5.4%
Hospitals	18,800	18,800	18,600	0	0.0%	200	1.1%
Leisure and Hospitality	81,700	81,600	77,700	100	0.1%	4,000	5.1%
Accommodation and Food Services	63,800	63,400	61,300	400	0.6%	2,500	4.1%
Accommodation	10,700	10,700	10,300	0	0.0%	400	3.9%
Food Services and Drinking Places	53,100	52,700	51,000	400	0.8%	2,100	4.1%
Other Services	31,400	32,000	30,500	-600	-1.9%	900	3.0%
Total Government	58,100	57,800	57,100	300	0.5%	1,000	1.8%
Federal	6,700	6,700	6,700	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
State	8,500	8,400	8,100	100	1.2%	400	4.9%
Local	42,900	42,700	42,300	200	0.5%	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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