Largest Changes in Construction Employment by Metropolitan Area or Division, August 2021-August 2022
(not seasonally adjusted)

Largest Percentage Gains

Area	Sector	Aug 2021	Aug 2022	Change	% change	Rank	% rank
Muskegon, MI	Const, mining, logging	2,500	3,000	500	20%	94	1
Bloomington, IL	Const, mining, logging	3,000	3,600	600	20%	86	1
Danville, IL	Const, mining, logging	600	700	100	17%	198	3
Houston-The Woodlands-Sugar Land, TX	Construction	209,700	243,200	33,500	16%	1	4
Grants Pass, OR	Construction	1,300	1,500	200	15%	155	5
Albuquerque, NM	Const, mining, logging	25,400	29,300	3,900	15%	20	6
Birmingham-Hoover, AL	Construction	28,000	32,100	4,100	15%	18	7
Provo-Orem, UT	Const, mining, logging	28,100	31,800	3,700	13%	21	8
Beaumont-Port Arthur, TX	Const, mining, logging	15,700	17,700	2,000	13%	40	9
Providence-Warwick, RI-MA NECTA	Construction	27,000	30,200	3,200	12%	22	10

Largest Percentage Losses

Area	Sector	Aug 2021	Aug 2022	Change	% change	Rank	% rank
Richmond, VA	Const, mining, logging	42,300	38,800	-3,500	-8%	357	358
Charleston, WV	Const, mining, logging	6,500	6,000	-500	-8%	344	356
Ithaca, NY	Const, mining, logging	1,300	1,200	-100	-8%	302	356
Elmira, NY	Const, mining, logging	1,500	1,400	-100	-7%	302	355
Orlando-Kissimmee-Sanford, FL	Construction	83,100	77,600	-5,500	-7%	358	354
Columbia, SC	Const, mining, logging	17,200	16,100	-1,100	-6%	351	353
Bay City, MI	Const, mining, logging	1,600	1,500	-100	-6%	302	352
Lewiston, ID-WA	Construction	1,700	1,600	-100	-6%	302	350
Muncie, IN	Const, mining, logging	1,700	1,600	-100	-6%	302	350
Greenville, NC	Const, mining, logging	3,600	3,400	-200	-6%	330	349

Most Jobs Added

Area	Sector	Aug 2021	Aug 2022	Change	% change	Rank	% rank
Houston-The Woodlands-Sugar Land, TX	Construction	209,700	243,200	33,500	16%	1	4
Seattle-Bellevue-Everett, WA Div.	Construction	106,300	115,100	8,800	8%	2	44
Los Angeles-Long Beach-Glendale, CA Div.	Construction	149,700	158,000	8,300	6%	3	101
Phoenix-Mesa-Scottsdale, AZ	Construction	140,000	147,900	7,900	6%	4	95
Dallas-Plano-Irving, TX Div.	Const, mining, logging	146,800	154,300	7,500	5%	5	114
St. Louis, MO-IL	Const, mining, logging	71,500	78,900	7,400	10%	6	21
Denver-Aurora-Lakewood, CO	Const, mining, logging	109,800	117,100	7,300	7%	7	76
Anaheim-Santa Ana-Irvine, CA Div.	Construction	103,000	110,300	7,300	7%	7	67
Chicago-Naperville-Arlington Heights, IL Div.	Construction	136,200	143,300	7,100	5%	9	110
Portland-Vancouver-Hillsboro, OR-WA	Construction	78,900	85,900	7,000	9%	10	36

Most Jobs Lost

Area	Sector	Aug 2021	Aug 2022	Change	% change	Rank	% rank
Orlando-Kissimmee-Sanford, FL	Construction	83,100	77,600	-5,500	-7%	358	354
Richmond, VA	Const, mining, logging	42,300	38,800	-3,500	-8%	357	358
Austin-Round Rock, TX	Const, mining, logging	74,700	71,900	-2,800	-4%	356	341
Baton Rouge, LA	Construction	41,800	39,700	-2,100	-5%	354	348
Middlesex-Monmouth-Ocean, NJ	Const, mining, logging	42,300	40,200	-2,100	-5%	354	346
San Antonio-New Braunfels, TX	Construction	58,000	56,700	-1,300	-2%	353	326
Calvert-Charles-Prince George's, MD	Const, mining, logging	33,600	32,500	-1,100	-3%	352	338
Columbia, SC	Const, mining, logging	17,200	16,100	-1,100	-6%	351	353
Pittsburgh, PA	Const, mining, logging	64,100	63,100	-1,000	-2%	350	322
Urban Honolulu, HI	Const, mining, logging	26,800	26,000	-800	-3%	348	334
Greenville-Anderson-Mauldin, SC	Const, mining, logging	20,000	19,200	-800	-4%	348	345

Footnotes:

1 Area: Metropolitan statistical areas (MSAs) are designated by the Office of Management and Budget. MSAs generally cover one or more entire counties or county equivalents, or New England City and Town Area (NECTA) in the six New England states. There are 11 MSAs with more than 2,500,000 people. Employment in these MSAs is presented in two or more divisions (Div.) or subdivisions rather than for the MSA as a whole. See Metro Divisions tab for employment in those metros and each of their divisions.

2 Industry: The Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) only reports construction employment combined with mining and logging in most metros, because of small sample sizes or to preserve confidentiality for industries with few employers. Metro data is not seasonally adjusted.

3 Rank: BLS currently provides construction (or combined construction, mining and logging) employment data for 358 metro areas, rounded to the nearest 100. Thus, it is not possible to calculate percent changes more accurately than to the nearest whole percent and all metro areas with the same whole-percent change in employment are ranked the same. (Exception: Employment changes of less than 0.5% are shown and ranked based on the nearest 0.1%.)