

Largest Changes in Construction Employment by Metropolitan Area or Division, February 2020–July 2021
(not seasonally adjusted)

Largest Percentage Gains

<u>Area¹</u>	<u>Industry²</u>	<u>February '20</u>	<u>July '21</u>	<u>17-month % change</u>	<u>17-month gain/loss</u>	<u>Rank³</u>
1 Fargo, ND-MN	Mining, Logging, and Construction	7,400	11,000	49%	3,600	1
2 Sierra Vista-Douglas, AZ	Mining, Logging, and Construction	2,500	3,700	48%	1,200	2
3 Bay City, MI	Mining, Logging, and Construction	1,100	1,600	45%	500	3
4 Battle Creek, MI	Mining, Logging, and Construction	1,500	2,100	40%	600	4
5 St. Cloud, MN	Mining, Logging, and Construction	6,100	8,500	39%	2,400	5
6 Kankakee, IL	Mining, Logging, and Construction	1,100	1,500	36%	400	6
7 Bloomington, IL	Mining, Logging, and Construction	2,600	3,500	35%	900	7
7 Sioux Falls, SD	Mining, Logging, and Construction	8,400	11,300	35%	2,900	7
9 Eau Claire, WI	Mining, Logging, and Construction	3,200	4,300	34%	1,100	9
9 Anchorage, AK	Construction	8,800	11,800	34%	3,000	9
11 Waterbury, CT NECTA	Mining, Logging, and Construction	2,700	3,600	33%	900	11
11 Bismarck, ND	Mining, Logging, and Construction	3,900	5,200	33%	1,300	11

Largest Percentage Losses

<u>Area¹</u>	<u>Industry²</u>	<u>February '20</u>	<u>July '21</u>	<u>17-month % change</u>	<u>17-month gain/loss</u>	<u>Rank³</u>
1 Odessa, TX	Mining, Logging, and Construction	20,600	12,600	-39%	-8,000	358
2 Lake Charles, LA	Construction	19,900	13,300	-33%	-6,600	357
3 Midland, TX	Mining, Logging, and Construction	38,000	28,800	-24%	-9,200	356
4 Laredo, TX	Mining, Logging, and Construction	4,000	3,100	-23%	-900	355
5 Longview, TX	Mining, Logging, and Construction	15,000	11,700	-22%	-3,300	354
6 San Angelo, TX	Mining, Logging, and Construction	3,900	3,100	-21%	-800	353
7 Abilene, TX	Mining, Logging, and Construction	5,400	4,400	-19%	-1,000	352
8 Greeley, CO	Mining, Logging, and Construction	20,000	16,400	-18%	-3,600	351
9 Baton Rouge, LA	Construction	48,500	41,400	-15%	-7,100	348
9 New York City, NY	Mining, Logging, and Construction	157,900	133,900	-15%	-24,000	348
9 Houston-The Woodlands-Sugar Land, TX	Construction	237,400	202,200	-15%	-35,200	348

Most Jobs Added

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1 Chicago-Naperville-Arlington Heights, IL Div.	Construction	119,400	138,500	16%	19,100	86
2 Minneapolis-St. Paul-Bloomington, MN-WI	Mining, Logging, and Construction	77,100	94,500	23%	17,400	37
3 Warren-Troy-Farmington Hills, MI Div.	Mining, Logging, and Construction	51,200	60,800	19%	9,600	63
4 Indianapolis-Carmel-Anderson, IN	Construction	52,800	62,300	18%	9,500	68
5 Sacramento--Roseville--Arden-Arcade, CA	Construction	70,600	79,500	13%	8,900	107
5 St. Louis, MO-IL	Mining, Logging, and Construction	64,200	73,100	14%	8,900	100
7 Pittsburgh, PA	Construction	58,300	66,800	15%	8,500	93
8 Seattle-Bellevue-Everett, WA Div.	Construction	102,600	110,800	8%	8,200	162
9 Cleveland-Elyria, OH	Mining, Logging, and Construction	35,000	41,800	19%	6,800	63
10 Boston-Cambridge-Newton, MA NECTA Div.	Mining, Logging, and Construction	71,100	77,500	9%	6,400	149

Most Jobs Lost

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4 Los Angeles-Long Beach-Glendale, CA Div.	Construction	153,400	145,400	-5%	-8,000	316
6 Baton Rouge, LA	Construction	48,500	41,400	-15%	-7,100	348
7 Lake Charles, LA	Construction	19,900	13,300	-33%	-6,600	357
8 Las Vegas-Henderson-Paradise, NV	Construction	71,800	65,700	-8%	-6,100	330
9 Miami-Miami Beach-Kendall, FL Div.	Construction	54,400	49,500	-9%	-4,900	332
9 Anaheim-Santa Ana-Irvine, CA Div.	Construction	106,600	101,700	-5%	-4,900	316

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%.)