

Largest Changes in Construction Employment by Metropolitan Area or Division, October 2018–October 2019
(not seasonally adjusted)

Largest Percentage Gains

<u>Area</u> ¹	<u>Industry</u> ²	<u>October '18</u>	<u>October '19</u>	<u>12-month % change</u>	<u>12-month gain/loss</u>	<u>Rank</u> ³
1 Omaha-Council Bluffs, NE-IA	Mining, Logging, and Construction	29,600	35,500	20%	5,900	1
2 Auburn-Opelika, AL	Mining, Logging, and Construction	2,600	3,000	15%	400	2
3 Bend-Redmond, OR	Mining, Logging, and Construction	7,200	8,200	14%	1,000	3
4 Springfield, MA-CT NECTA	Mining, Logging, and Construction	12,000	13,500	13%	1,500	4
4 Bergen-Hudson-Passaic, NJ	Mining, Logging, and Construction	31,700	35,900	13%	4,200	4
4 Sioux Falls, SD	Mining, Logging, and Construction	9,000	10,200	13%	1,200	4
4 Virginia Beach-Norfolk-Newport News, VA-NC	Mining, Logging, and Construction	37,600	42,500	13%	4,900	4
8 Sierra Vista-Douglas, AZ	Mining, Logging, and Construction	1,700	1,900	12%	200	8
8 Muskegon, MI	Mining, Logging, and Construction	2,500	2,800	12%	300	8
8 Las Vegas-Henderson-Paradise, NV	Construction	65,400	73,400	12%	8,000	8
8 Bloomsburg-Berwick, PA	Mining, Logging, and Construction	1,700	1,900	12%	200	8

Largest Percentage Losses

<u>Area</u> ¹	<u>Industry</u> ²	<u>October '18</u>	<u>October '19</u>	<u>12-month % change</u>	<u>12-month gain/loss</u>	<u>Rank</u> ³
1 Fairbanks, AK	Construction	3,100	2,700	-13%	-400	358
2 Watertown-Fort Drum, NY	Mining, Logging, and Construction	2,000	1,800	-10%	-200	355
2 Longview, TX	Mining, Logging, and Construction	15,300	13,700	-10%	-1,600	355
2 Wichita Falls, TX	Mining, Logging, and Construction	3,000	2,700	-10%	-300	355
5 Gadsden, AL	Mining, Logging, and Construction	1,200	1,100	-8%	-100	352
5 Hartford-West Hartford-East Hartford, CT NECTA	Mining, Logging, and Construction	20,300	18,700	-8%	-1,600	352
5 Tulsa, OK	Construction	25,200	23,300	-8%	-1,900	352
8 Knoxville, TN	Mining, Logging, and Construction	19,200	17,900	-7%	-1,300	351

Most Jobs Added

<u>Area</u> ¹	<u>Industry</u> ²	<u>October '18</u>	<u>October '19</u>	<u>12-month % change</u>	<u>12-month gain/loss</u>	<u>Rank</u> ³
1 Dallas-Plano-Irving, TX Div.	Mining, Logging, and Construction	147,500	161,800	10%	14,300	13
2 Phoenix-Mesa-Scottsdale, AZ	Construction	128,500	138,300	8%	9,800	29
3 Los Angeles-Long Beach-Glendale, CA Div.	Construction	150,600	160,300	6%	9,700	63
4 Las Vegas-Henderson-Paradise, NV	Construction	65,400	73,400	12%	8,000	8
5 Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater, FL	Construction	79,500	85,400	7%	5,900	44
5 Nassau County-Suffolk County, NY Div.	Mining, Logging, and Construction	83,600	89,500	7%	5,900	44
5 Omaha-Council Bluffs, NE-IA	Mining, Logging, and Construction	29,600	35,500	20%	5,900	1
8 St. Louis, MO-IL	Mining, Logging, and Construction	70,000	75,800	8%	5,800	29
9 San Diego-Carlsbad, CA	Construction	83,900	89,300	6%	5,400	63
10 Atlanta-Sandy Springs-Roswell, GA	Construction	128,700	133,800	4%	5,100	126

Most Jobs Lost

<u>Area</u> ¹	<u>Industry</u> ²	<u>October '18</u>	<u>October '19</u>	<u>12-month % change</u>	<u>12-month gain/loss</u>	<u>Rank</u> ³
1 New York City, NY	Mining, Logging, and Construction	161,400	155,200	-4%	-6,200	330
2 Chicago-Naperville-Arlington Heights, IL Div.	Construction	140,500	135,800	-3%	-4,700	314
3 Riverside-San Bernardino-Ontario, CA	Construction	106,700	103,600	-3%	-3,100	314
4 Baton Rouge, LA	Construction	56,300	53,800	-4%	-2,500	330
5 Charlotte-Concord-Gastonia, NC-SC	Mining, Logging, and Construction	64,700	62,500	-3%	-2,200	314
6 Tulsa, OK	Construction	25,200	23,300	-8%	-1,900	352
7 Longview, TX	Mining, Logging, and Construction	15,300	13,700	-10%	-1,600	355
7 Hartford-West Hartford-East Hartford, CT NECTA	Mining, Logging, and Construction	20,300	18,700	-8%	-1,600	352
7 Midland, TX	Mining, Logging, and Construction	39,200	37,600	-4%	-1,600	330
10 Knoxville, TN	Mining, Logging, and Construction	19,200	17,900	-7%	-1,300	351

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. Click [here](#) for a list of counties in each MSA and division.

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%.)

