Largest Changes in Construction Employment by Metropolitan Area or Division, March 2019–March 2020

(not seasonally adjusted)

Largest Percentage Gains

	Area[1]	Industry[2]	March '19	March '20	12-month % change	12-month gain/loss	Rank[3]
1	Lewiston, ID-WA	Construction	1,300	1,600	23%	300	1
2	Walla Walla, WA	Mining, Logging, and Construction	900	1,100	22%	200	2
3	Bend-Redmond, OR	Mining, Logging, and Construction	6,400	7,400	16%	1,000	3
4	Albany-Schenectady-Troy, NY	Mining, Logging, and Construction	17,700	20,300	15%	2,600	4
5	Logan, UT-ID	Mining, Logging, and Construction	2,900	3,300	14%	400	5
6	Merced, CA	Mining, Logging, and Construction	2,400	2,700	13%	300	6
6	Yakima, WA	Mining, Logging, and Construction	3,800	4,300	13%	500	6
8	Auburn-Opelika, AL	Mining, Logging, and Construction	2,600	2,900	12%	300	8
8	Palm Bay-Melbourne-Titusville, FL	Mining, Logging, and Construction	14,600	16,400	12%	1,800	8
10	Yuba City, CA	Mining, Logging, and Construction	2,700	3,000	11%	300	10
10	Kansas City, KS	Mining, Logging, and Construction	21,500	23,900	11%	2,400	10
10	Cleveland-Elyria, OH	Mining, Logging, and Construction	35,700	39,500	11%	3,800	10
10	Rapid City, SD	Mining, Logging, and Construction	4,500	5,000	11%	500	10
10	Morristown, TN	Mining, Logging, and Construction	1,800	2,000	11%	200	10

Largest Percentage Losses

	Area[1]	Industry[2]	March '19	March '20	12-month % change	12-month gain/loss	Rank[3]
1	Laredo, TX	Mining, Logging, and Construction	4,200	3,400	-19%	-800	358
2	Lake Charles, LA	Construction	25,400	20,800	-18%	-4,600	357
3	Springfield, IL	Mining, Logging, and Construction	3,300	2,800	-15%	-500	356
4	Victoria, TX	Mining, Logging, and Construction	4,600	4,000	-13%	-600	354
4	Burlington-South Burlington, VT NECTA	Mining, Logging, and Construction	5,500	4,800	-13%	-700	354
6	Huntington-Ashland, WV-KY-OH	Mining, Logging, and Construction	7,500	6,600	-12%	-900	353
7	New Orleans-Metairie, LA	Construction	29,300	26,500	-10%	-2,800	349
7	Brockton-Bridgewater-Easton, MA NECTA Div.	Mining, Logging, and Construction	5,100	4,600	-10%	-500	349
7	Cleveland, TN	Mining, Logging, and Construction	2,100	1,900	-10%	-200	349
7	Mount Vernon-Anacortes, WA	Mining, Logging, and Construction	5,100	4,600	-10%	-500	349

Most Jobs Added

	Area[1]	Industry[2]	March '19	March '20	12-month % change	12-month gain/loss	Rank[3]
1	Dallas-Plano-Irving, TX Div.	Mining, Logging, and Construction	146,500	156,700	7%	10,200	41
2	Seattle-Bellevue-Everett, WA Div.	Construction	102,000	108,600	6%	6,600	54
2	Las Vegas-Henderson-Paradise, NV	Construction	68,600	75,200	10%	6,600	15
4	Orlando-Kissimmee-Sanford, FL	Construction	85,100	91,000	7%	5,900	41
5	Austin-Round Rock, TX	Mining, Logging, and Construction	66,900	72,200	8%	5,300	30
6	Houston-The Woodlands-Sugar Land, TX	Construction	234,200	239,100	2%	4,900	150
6	Phoenix-Mesa-Scottsdale, AZ	Construction	131,500	136,400	4%	4,900	102
8	Indianapolis-Carmel-Anderson, IN	Construction	50,900	55,200	8%	4,300	30
9	Cleveland-Elyria, OH	Mining, Logging, and Construction	35,700	39,500	11%	3,800	10
10	San Antonio-New Braunfels, TX	Construction	54,500	58,000	6%	3,500	54

Most Jobs Lost

	Area[1]	Industry[2]	March '19	March '20	12-month % change	12-month gain/loss	Rank[3]
1	Lake Charles, LA	Construction	25,400	20,800	-18%	-4,600	357
2	New York City, NY	Mining, Logging, and Construction	158,600	155,100	-2%	-3,500	272
3	Orange-Rockland-Westchester, NY	Mining, Logging, and Construction	44,100	41,200	-7%	-2,900	335
3	Montgomery County-Bucks County-Chester County, PA Div.	Mining, Logging, and Construction	52,300	49,400	-6%	-2,900	328
5	New Orleans-Metairie, LA	Construction	29,300	26,500	-10%	-2,800	349
6	San Diego-Carlsbad, CA	Construction	82,800	80,200	-3%	-2,600	288
7	Odessa, TX	Mining, Logging, and Construction	22,700	20,700	-9%	-2,000	344
7	Baton Rouge, LA	Construction	54,700	52,700	-4%	-2,000	311
9	Chicago-Naperville-Arlington Heights, IL Div.	Construction	123,700	121,800	-2%	-1,900	272
10	Anaheim-Santa Ana-Irvine, CA Div.	Construction	105,000	103,200	-2%	-1,800	272

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%.)