

**Largest Changes in Construction Employment by Metropolitan Area or Division, August 2022–August 2023**  
 (not seasonally adjusted)

Total 358 Areas: 223 (62%) with gains, 79 (22%) with losses, 56 unchanged. US total construction employment change: +2.7% (seasonally adjusted).

**Most Jobs Added**

Area <sup>1</sup>	Industry <sup>2</sup>	August '22	August '23	12-month		Rank <sup>3</sup> based on:	
				gains/loss	% change	gain/loss	% change
1 Dallas-Plano-Irving, TX Div.	Mining, Logging, and Construction	157,700	172,800	15,100	10%	1	6
2 New York City, NY	Mining, Logging, and Construction	144,400	155,400	11,000	8%	2	21
3 Portland-Vancouver-Hillsboro, OR-WA	Construction	83,400	92,600	9,200	11%	3	2
4 Phoenix-Mesa-Scottsdale, AZ	Construction	154,500	162,200	7,700	5%	4	67
5 Oakland-Hayward-Berkeley, CA Div.	Construction	76,600	84,000	7,400	10%	5	6
6 Atlanta-Sandy Springs-Roswell, GA	Construction	138,000	145,300	7,300	5%	6	67
7 Baton Rouge, LA	Construction	45,500	52,600	7,100	16%	7	1
8 Boston-Cambridge-Newton, MA NECTA Div.	Mining, Logging, and Construction	78,700	85,100	6,400	8%	8	21
8 Las Vegas-Henderson-Paradise, NV	Construction	78,000	84,400	6,400	8%	8	21
10 Austin-Round Rock, TX	Mining, Logging, and Construction	80,400	85,800	5,400	7%	10	30

**Most Jobs Lost**

Area <sup>1</sup>	Industry <sup>2</sup>	August '22	August '23	12-month		Rank <sup>3</sup> based on:	
				gain/loss	% change	gain/loss	% change
1 Houston-The Woodlands-Sugar Land, TX	Construction	226,200	219,400	-6,800	-3%	358	316
2 Nassau County-Suffolk County, NY Div.	Mining, Logging, and Construction	84,800	79,600	-5,200	-6%	357	347
3 Miami-Miami Beach-Kendall, FL Div.	Construction	54,400	50,000	-4,400	-8%	356	355
4 St. Louis, MO-IL	Mining, Logging, and Construction	76,200	73,300	-2,900	-4%	355	331
5 Orlando-Kissimmee-Sanford, FL	Construction	87,800	85,100	-2,700	-3%	354	316
6 Newark, NJ-PA Div.	Mining, Logging, and Construction	49,200	47,400	-1,800	-4%	353	331
7 Sacramento--Roseville--Arden-Arcade, CA	Construction	79,000	77,400	-1,600	-2%	352	295
8 Fort Lauderdale-Pompano Beach-Deerfield Beach, FL Div.	Construction	49,300	48,000	-1,300	-3%	351	316
9 Elgin, IL Div.	Construction	15,300	14,200	-1,100	-7%	350	354
10 Warren-Troy-Farmington Hills, MI Div.	Mining, Logging, and Construction	61,000	60,000	-1,000	-2%	349	295

**Largest Percentage Gains**

Area <sup>1</sup>	Industry <sup>2</sup>	August '22	August '23	12-month		Rank <sup>3</sup> based on:	
				gain/loss	% change	gain/loss	% change
1 Baton Rouge, LA	Construction	45,500	52,600	7,100	16%	7	1
2 Wilmington, DE-MD-NJ Div.	Mining, Logging, and Construction	17,800	19,800	2,000	11%	31	2
2 Middlesex-Monmouth-Ocean, NJ	Mining, Logging, and Construction	44,500	49,300	4,800	11%	11	2
2 Portland-Vancouver-Hillsboro, OR-WA	Construction	83,400	92,600	9,200	11%	3	2
2 Cheyenne, WY	Mining, Logging, and Construction	3,700	4,100	400	11%	95	2
6 Fayetteville-Springdale-Rogers, AR-MO	Mining, Logging, and Construction	15,100	16,600	1,500	10%	41	6
6 Oakland-Hayward-Berkeley, CA Div.	Construction	76,600	84,000	7,400	10%	5	6
6 Lexington-Fayette, KY	Mining, Logging, and Construction	14,300	15,700	1,400	10%	45	6
6 Tulsa, OK	Construction	24,900	27,300	2,400	10%	24	6
6 Rapid City, SD	Mining, Logging, and Construction	5,800	6,400	600	10%	73	6
6 Clarksville, TN-KY	Mining, Logging, and Construction	4,100	4,500	400	10%	95	6
6 Dallas-Plano-Irving, TX Div.	Mining, Logging, and Construction	157,700	172,800	15,100	10%	1	6
6 Midland, TX	Mining, Logging, and Construction	37,600	41,200	3,600	10%	19	6

**Largest Percentage Losses**

Area <sup>1</sup>	Industry <sup>2</sup>	August '22	August '23	12-month		Rank <sup>3</sup> based on:	
				gain/loss	% change	gain/loss	% change
1 Kankakee, IL	Mining, Logging, and Construction	1,500	1,300	-200	-13%	307	358
2 Pittsfield, MA NECTA	Mining, Logging, and Construction	2,200	2,000	-200	-9%	307	356
2 Binghamton, NY	Mining, Logging, and Construction	4,500	4,100	-400	-9%	332	356
4 Miami-Miami Beach-Kendall, FL Div.	Construction	54,400	50,000	-4,400	-8%	356	355
5 Elgin, IL Div.	Construction	15,300	14,200	-1,100	-7%	350	354
6 Lewiston, ID-WA	Construction	1,800	1,700	-100	-6%	280	347
6 Bloomington, IL	Mining, Logging, and Construction	3,100	2,900	-200	-6%	307	347
6 Bay City, MI	Mining, Logging, and Construction	1,700	1,600	-100	-6%	280	347
6 Duluth, MN-WI	Mining, Logging, and Construction	11,100	10,400	-700	-6%	343	347
6 Nassau County-Suffolk County, NY Div.	Mining, Logging, and Construction	84,800	79,600	-5,200	-6%	357	347
6 Utica-Rome, NY	Mining, Logging, and Construction	3,500	3,300	-200	-6%	307	347
6 Grand Forks, ND-MN	Mining, Logging, and Construction	3,400	3,200	-200	-6%	307	347

**Footnotes:**

<sup>1</sup>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.

<sup>2</sup>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.

<sup>3</sup>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%.)