

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

Total 358 Areas: 213 (59%) with gains, 81 (23%) with losses, 64 unchanged. US total construction employment change: +2.6% (seasonally adjusted).

Most Jobs Added

Area ¹	Industry ²	November '22	November '23	12-month		Rank ³ based on:	
				gains/loss	% change	gain/loss	% change
1 Dallas-Plano-Irving, TX Div.	Mining, Logging, and Construction	160,300	172,800	12,500	8%	1	21
2 New York City, NY	Mining, Logging, and Construction	148,300	158,200	9,900	7%	2	33
3 Riverside-San Bernardino-Ontario, CA	Construction	114,900	124,600	9,700	8%	3	21
4 Baton Rouge, LA	Construction	48,400	57,800	9,400	19%	4	1
5 Austin-Round Rock, TX	Mining, Logging, and Construction	78,400	86,500	8,100	10%	5	10
6 Boston-Cambridge-Newton, MA NECTA Div.	Mining, Logging, and Construction	77,000	84,700	7,700	10%	6	10
7 Phoenix-Mesa-Scottsdale, AZ	Construction	156,700	164,000	7,300	5%	7	64
8 Portland-Vancouver-Hillsboro, OR-WA	Construction	82,600	89,800	7,200	9%	8	14
9 Oakland-Hayward-Berkeley, CA Div.	Construction	75,400	82,500	7,100	9%	9	14
10 Baltimore-Columbia-Towson, MD	Mining, Logging, and Construction	83,200	89,000	5,800	7%	10	33

Most Jobs Lost

Area ¹	Industry ²	November '22	November '23	12-month		Rank ³ based on:	
				gain/loss	% change	gain/loss	% change
1 Orange-Rockland-Westchester, NY	Mining, Logging, and Construction	47,200	42,100	-5,100	-11%	358	358
2 Houston-The Woodlands-Sugar Land, TX	Construction	223,300	218,400	-4,900	-2%	357	300
3 Seattle-Bellevue-Everett, WA Div.	Construction	110,500	105,800	-4,700	-4%	356	323
4 Nassau County-Suffolk County, NY Div.	Mining, Logging, and Construction	83,700	79,700	-4,000	-5%	355	335
5 Denver-Aurora-Lakewood, CO	Mining, Logging, and Construction	111,500	108,700	-2,800	-3%	354	310
6 Bergen-Hudson-Passaic, NJ	Mining, Logging, and Construction	32,600	29,900	-2,700	-8%	353	355
7 San Francisco-Redwood City-South San Francisco, CA Div.	Construction	40,800	38,700	-2,100	-5%	352	335
8 Miami-Miami Beach-Kendall, FL Div.	Construction	53,500	51,700	-1,800	-3%	350	310
8 St. Louis, MO-IL	Mining, Logging, and Construction	74,400	72,600	-1,800	-2%	350	300
10 Kansas City, MO	Mining, Logging, and Construction	35,200	33,600	-1,600	-5%	349	335

Largest Percentage Gains

Area ¹	Industry ²	November '22	November '23	12-month		Rank ³ based on:	
				gain/loss	% change	gain/loss	% change
1 Baton Rouge, LA	Construction	48,400	57,800	9,400	19%	4	1
2 Tulsa, OK	Construction	24,600	28,600	4,000	16%	16	2
3 Corvallis, OR	Mining, Logging, and Construction	1,500	1,700	200	13%	119	3
4 Little Rock-North Little Rock-Conway, AR	Mining, Logging, and Construction	18,900	21,100	2,200	12%	27	4
4 Elkhart-Goshen, IN	Mining, Logging, and Construction	4,300	4,800	500	12%	79	4
4 Lexington-Fayette, KY	Mining, Logging, and Construction	14,100	15,800	1,700	12%	41	4
4 Albuquerque, NM	Mining, Logging, and Construction	25,900	28,900	3,000	12%	22	4
8 Fayetteville-Springdale-Rogers, AR-MO	Mining, Logging, and Construction	15,200	16,900	1,700	11%	41	8
8 Grand Rapids-Wyoming, MI	Mining, Logging, and Construction	27,200	30,300	3,100	11%	20	8
10 Fort Smith, AR-OK	Mining, Logging, and Construction	5,200	5,700	500	10%	79	10
10 Boston-Cambridge-Newton, MA NECTA Div.	Mining, Logging, and Construction	77,000	84,700	7,700	10%	6	10
10 Austin-Round Rock, TX	Mining, Logging, and Construction	78,400	86,500	8,100	10%	5	10
10 Corpus Christi, TX	Mining, Logging, and Construction	20,100	22,100	2,000	10%	32	10

Largest Percentage Losses

Area ¹	Industry ²	November '22	November '23	12-month		Rank ³ based on:	
				gain/loss	% change	gain/loss	% change
1 Orange-Rockland-Westchester, NY	Mining, Logging, and Construction	47,200	42,100	-5,100	-11%	358	358
2 Bloomington, IL	Mining, Logging, and Construction	3,100	2,800	-300	-10%	321	357
3 Bergen-Hudson-Passaic, NJ	Mining, Logging, and Construction	32,600	29,900	-2,700	-8%	353	355
3 Wenatchee, WA	Mining, Logging, and Construction	3,600	3,300	-300	-8%	321	355
5 Kankakee, IL	Mining, Logging, and Construction	1,400	1,300	-100	-7%	278	351
5 Rockford, IL	Mining, Logging, and Construction	6,000	5,600	-400	-7%	329	351
5 Binghamton, NY	Mining, Logging, and Construction	4,300	4,000	-300	-7%	321	351
5 Huntington-Ashland, WV-KY-OH	Mining, Logging, and Construction	7,400	6,900	-500	-7%	335	351
9 Elgin, IL Div.	Construction	14,700	13,800	-900	-6%	343	346
9 Bay City, MI	Mining, Logging, and Construction	1,600	1,500	-100	-6%	278	346
9 Utica-Rome, NY	Mining, Logging, and Construction	3,300	3,100	-200	-6%	307	346
9 College Station-Bryan, TX	Mining, Logging, and Construction	8,100	7,600	-500	-6%	335	346
9 Charleston, WV	Mining, Logging, and Construction	7,100	6,700	-400	-6%	329	346

Footnotes:

¹Area: 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.

²Industry: 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.

³Rank: 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%.)