

Largest Changes in Construction Employment by Metropolitan Area or Division, September 2023–September 2024
(not seasonally adjusted)

Total 358 Areas: 227 (63%) with gains, 68 (19%) with losses, 63 unchanged. US total construction employment change: +3% (seasonally adjusted).

Most Jobs Added

Area ¹	Industry ²	September '23	September '24	12-month		Rank ³ based on:	
				gains/loss	% change	gain/loss	% change
1 Houston-The Woodlands-Sugar Land, TX	Construction	232,700	249,300	16,600	7%	1	40
2 Northern Virginia, VA	Mining, Logging, and Construction	83,000	91,300	8,300	10%	2	10
3 Las Vegas-Henderson-Paradise, NV	Construction	82,900	89,600	6,700	8%	3	26
4 Miami-Miami Beach-Kendall, FL Div.	Construction	57,400	63,800	6,400	11%	4	7
5 Orlando-Kissimmee-Sanford, FL	Construction	90,000	95,400	5,400	6%	5	59
6 Austin-Round Rock, TX	Mining, Logging, and Construction	84,800	90,100	5,300	6%	6	59
7 Fort Worth-Arlington, TX Div.	Mining, Logging, and Construction	84,400	89,400	5,000	6%	7	59
8 Atlanta-Sandy Springs-Roswell, GA	Construction	145,500	150,400	4,900	3%	8	141
9 Columbus, OH	Mining, Logging, and Construction	51,900	56,700	4,800	9%	9	17
10 Fort Lauderdale-Pompano Beach-Deerfield Beach, FL Div.	Construction	52,600	57,100	4,500	9%	10	17
10 Virginia Beach-Norfolk-Newport News, VA-NC	Mining, Logging, and Construction	41,300	45,800	4,500	11%	10	7

Most Jobs Lost

Area ¹	Industry ²	September '23	September '24	12-month		Rank ³ based on:	
				gain/loss	% change	gain/loss	% change
1 New York City, NY	Mining, Logging, and Construction	144,700	135,900	-8,800	-6%	358	352
2 Portland-Vancouver-Hillsboro, OR-WA	Construction	83,400	79,400	-4,000	-5%	357	342
3 San Jose-Sunnyvale-Santa Clara, CA	Construction	54,500	51,700	-2,800	-5%	356	342
4 Orange-Rockland-Westchester, NY	Mining, Logging, and Construction	48,000	45,400	-2,600	-5%	355	342
5 San Francisco-Redwood City-South San Francisco, CA Div.	Construction	41,500	39,100	-2,400	-6%	354	352
6 Calvert-Charles-Prince George's, MD	Mining, Logging, and Construction	33,500	31,300	-2,200	-7%	353	355
7 Riverside-San Bernardino-Ontario, CA	Construction	118,400	116,600	-1,800	-2%	351	309
7 Baltimore-Columbia-Towson, MD	Mining, Logging, and Construction	80,200	78,400	-1,800	-2%	351	309
9 Nashville-Davidson--Murfreesboro--Franklin, TN	Mining, Logging, and Construction	62,100	60,400	-1,700	-3%	350	326
10 Bergen-Hudson-Passaic, NJ	Mining, Logging, and Construction	30,500	28,900	-1,600	-5%	349	342

Largest Percentage Gains

Area ¹	Industry ²	September '23	September '24	12-month		Rank ³ based on:	
				gain/loss	% change	gain/loss	% change
1 Anchorage, AK	Construction	12,300	14,400	2,100	17%	34	1
2 Urban Honolulu, HI	Mining, Logging, and Construction	27,600	32,000	4,400	16%	12	2
3 Kahului-Wailuku-Lahaina, HI	Mining, Logging, and Construction	4,600	5,300	700	15%	68	3
4 Fairbanks, AK	Construction	3,100	3,500	400	13%	99	4
4 Detroit-Dearborn-Livonia, MI Div.	Mining, Logging, and Construction	26,200	29,700	3,500	13%	17	4
4 Logan, UT-ID	Mining, Logging, and Construction	3,900	4,400	500	13%	83	4
7 Miami-Miami Beach-Kendall, FL Div.	Construction	57,400	63,800	6,400	11%	4	7
7 Charleston-North Charleston, SC	Mining, Logging, and Construction	22,400	24,800	2,400	11%	28	7
7 Virginia Beach-Norfolk-Newport News, VA-NC	Mining, Logging, and Construction	41,300	45,800	4,500	11%	10	7
10 Bowling Green, KY	Mining, Logging, and Construction	4,100	4,500	400	10%	99	10
10 Elizabethtown-Fort Knox, KY	Mining, Logging, and Construction	3,000	3,300	300	10%	116	10
10 Pittsfield, MA NECTA	Mining, Logging, and Construction	2,100	2,300	200	10%	143	10
10 Tulsa, OK	Construction	26,500	29,200	2,700	10%	25	10
10 Greenville-Anderson-Mauldin, SC	Mining, Logging, and Construction	21,900	24,100	2,200	10%	30	10
10 Sioux Falls, SD	Mining, Logging, and Construction	12,300	13,500	1,200	10%	47	10
10 Northern Virginia, VA	Mining, Logging, and Construction	83,000	91,300	8,300	10%	2	10

Largest Percentage Losses

Area ¹	Industry ²	September '23	September '24	12-month		Rank ³ based on:	
				gain/loss	% change	gain/loss	% change
1 Bloomington, IL	Mining, Logging, and Construction	4,000	3,500	-500	-13%	338	358
2 Duluth, MN-WI	Mining, Logging, and Construction	10,300	9,500	-800	-8%	341	356
2 Grants Pass, OR	Construction	1,300	1,200	-100	-8%	291	356
4 Calvert-Charles-Prince George's, MD	Mining, Logging, and Construction	33,500	31,300	-2,200	-7%	353	355
5 San Francisco-Redwood City-South San Francisco, CA Div.	Construction	41,500	39,100	-2,400	-6%	354	352
5 New York City, NY	Mining, Logging, and Construction	144,700	135,900	-8,800	-6%	358	352
5 Gettysburg, PA	Mining, Logging, and Construction	1,800	1,700	-100	-6%	291	352
8 San Jose-Sunnyvale-Santa Clara, CA	Construction	54,500	51,700	-2,800	-5%	356	342
8 Fort Collins, CO	Mining, Logging, and Construction	12,000	11,400	-600	-5%	339	342
8 Pueblo, CO	Mining, Logging, and Construction	4,200	4,000	-200	-5%	313	342
8 New Orleans-Metairie, LA	Construction	29,400	28,000	-1,400	-5%	343	342
8 Bangor, ME NECTA	Construction	4,000	3,800	-200	-5%	313	342
8 Bergen-Hudson-Passaic, NJ	Mining, Logging, and Construction	30,500	28,900	-1,600	-5%	349	342
8 Orange-Rockland-Westchester, NY	Mining, Logging, and Construction	48,000	45,400	-2,600	-5%	355	342
8 Lawton, OK	Mining, Logging, and Construction	1,900	1,800	-100	-5%	291	342
8 Eugene, OR	Construction	8,200	7,800	-400	-5%	334	342
8 Portland-Vancouver-Hillsboro, OR-WA	Construction	83,400	79,400	-4,000	-5%	357	342

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.

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%.)