Largest Changes in Construction Employment by Metropolitan Area or Division, August 2024–August 2025
(not seasonally adjusted)

Total 360 Areas: 177 (49%) with gains, 125 (35%) with losses, 58 unchanged. US total construction employment change: +0.7% (seasonally adjusted).

Most Jobs Added

Area[1]	Industry[2]	August '24	August '25	12-month gains/loss	12-month % change	Rank[3] based on: gain/loss	% change
1 Arlington-Alexandria-Reston, VA-WV Div.	Mining, Logging, and Construction	87,500	95,700	8,200	9%	1	8
2 Washington, DC-MD Div.	Mining, Logging, and Construction	47,600	54,300	6,700	14%	2	1
3 Chicago-Naperville-Schaumburg, IL Div.	Construction	139,400	144,800	5,400	4%	3	67
4 Cincinnati, OH-KY-IN	Mining, Logging, and Construction	55,300	59,700	4,400	8%	4	14
5 Miami-Miami Beach-Kendall, FL Div.	Construction	60,200	64,000	3,800	6%	5	33
6 Phoenix-Mesa-Chandler, AZ	Construction	179,600	183,300	3,700	2%	6	127
6 Kansas City, MO-KS	Construction	62,500	66,200	3,700	6%	6	33
8 Minneapolis-St. Paul-Bloomington, MN-WI	Mining, Logging, and Construction	97,700	101,000	3,300	3%	8	88
9 Orlando-Kissimmee-Sanford, FL	Construction	94,800	98,000	3,200	3%	9	88
10 Boise City, ID	Mining, Logging, and Construction	37,600	40,700	3,100	8%	10	14

Most Jobs Lost

Area[1]	Industry[2]	August '24	August '25	12-month gain/loss	12-month % change	Rank[3] based on: gain/loss	% change
1 New York City, NY	Mining, Logging, and Construction	145,500	137,600	-7,900	-5%	360	325
2 Riverside-San Bernardino-Ontario, CA	Construction	117,300	110,800	-6,500	-6%	359	341
3 Los Angeles-Long Beach-Glendale, CA Div.	Construction	151,800	145,800	-6,000	-4%	358	311
4 Baton Rouge, LA	Construction	52,600	46,900	-5,700	-11%	357	360
5 Las Vegas-Henderson-North Las Vegas, NV	Construction	79,900	75,000	-4,900	-6%	355	341
5 Nassau County-Suffolk County, NY Div.	Mining, Logging, and Construction	84,600	79,700	-4,900	-6%	355	341
7 Atlanta-Sandy Springs-Roswell, GA Div.	Construction	106,600	102,400	-4,200	-4%	354	311
8 Anaheim-Santa Ana-Irvine, CA Div.	Construction	107,100	103,200	-3,900	-4%	353	311
9 Seattle-Bellevue-Kent, WA Div.	Construction	74,900	71,100	-3,800	-5%	352	325
10 Sacramento--Roseville--Folsom, CA	Construction	79,000	75,700	-3,300	-4%	351	311

Largest Percentage Gains

Area[1]	Industry[2]	August '24	August '25	12-month gain/loss	12-month % change	Rank[3] based on: gain/loss	% change
1 Washington, DC-MD Div.	Mining, Logging, and Construction	47,600	54,300	6,700	14%	2	1
1 Kokomo, IN	Mining, Logging, and Construction	2,100	2,400	300	14%	86	1
3 Canton-Massillon, OH	Mining, Logging, and Construction	9,800	10,900	1,100	11%	33	3
4 Elizabethtown, KY	Mining, Logging, and Construction	2,000	2,200	200	10%	97	4
4 Paducah, KY-IL	Mining, Logging, and Construction	4,200	4,600	400	10%	77	4
4 Battle Creek, MI	Mining, Logging, and Construction	2,100	2,300	200	10%	97	4
4 Huntington-Ashland, WV-KY-OH	Mining, Logging, and Construction	9,400	10,300	900	10%	37	4
8 Bowling Green, KY	Mining, Logging, and Construction	4,400	4,800	400	9%	77	8
8 Jackson, MS	Construction	14,200	15,500	1,300	9%	26	8
8 Las Cruces, NM	Mining, Logging, and Construction	4,600	5,000	400	9%	77	8
8 Fayetteville, NC	Mining, Logging, and Construction	5,800	6,300	500	9%	59	8
8 Mansfield, OH	Mining, Logging, and Construction	2,300	2,500	200	9%	97	8
8 Arlington-Alexandria-Reston, VA-WV Div.	Mining, Logging, and Construction	87,500	95,700	8,200	9%	1	8

Largest Percentage Losses

Area[1]	Industry[2]	August '24	August '25	12-month gain/loss	12-month % change	Rank[3] based on: gain/loss	% change
1 Baton Rouge, LA	Construction	52,600	46,900	-5,700	-11%	357	360
2 Lake Charles, LA	Construction	10,900	9,900	-1,000	-9%	335	359
3 Hanford-Corcoran, CA	Mining, Logging, and Construction	1,200	1,100	-100	-8%	236	357
3 Walla Walla, WA	Mining, Logging, and Construction	1,300	1,200	-100	-8%	236	357
5 Macon-Bibb County, GA	Mining, Logging, and Construction	4,400	4,100	-300	-7%	292	351
5 Savannah, GA	Mining, Logging, and Construction	10,300	9,600	-700	-7%	328	351
5 Reno, NV	Construction	24,800	23,100	-1,700	-7%	342	351
5 Bellingham, WA	Mining, Logging, and Construction	8,200	7,600	-600	-7%	323	351
5 Longview-Kelso, WA	Mining, Logging, and Construction	4,300	4,000	-300	-7%	292	351
5 Spokane-Spokane Valley, WA	Mining, Logging, and Construction	16,700	15,600	-1,100	-7%	338	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. Employment in these MSAs is presented in two or more divisions (Div). MSA totals are shown but not included in rankings to avoid double counting of the divisions.

[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. AGC attributes all employment in these metros to construction. Metro data is not seasonally adjusted.

[3]**Rank:** BLS currently provides construction (or combined construction, mining and logging) employment data, rounded to the nearest 100, for 360 metro areas. 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%.)

[4]**New York City:** BLS posts mining, logging, and construction data for the New York-Jersey City-White Plains metro division and for the New York City "special area," which is part of the metro division. To avoid double counting, these tables treat New York City and Jersey City-White Plains (excluding NYC) as separate areas.