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

Total 358 Areas: 245 (68%) with gains, 70 (20%) with losses, 43 unchanged. US total construction employment change: +2.8% (seasonally adjusted).

Most Jobs Added

Area[1]	Industry[2]	August '23	August '24	12-month gains/loss	12-month % change	Rank[3] based on: gain/loss	% change
1 Houston-The Woodlands-Sugar Land, TX	Construction	230,300	246,200	15,900	7%	1	51
2 Las Vegas-Henderson-Paradise, NV	Construction	81,600	91,200	9,600	12%	2	9
3 Northern Virginia, VA	Mining, Logging, and Construction	83,500	91,600	8,100	10%	3	13
4 Baton Rouge, LA	Construction	46,700	54,000	7,300	16%	4	4
5 Miami-Miami Beach-Kendall, FL Div.	Construction	57,000	63,500	6,500	11%	5	11
6 Orlando-Kissimmee-Sanford, FL	Construction	90,400	96,600	6,200	7%	6	51
7 Fort Worth-Arlington, TX Div.	Mining, Logging, and Construction	84,100	89,700	5,600	7%	7	51
8 Austin-Round Rock, TX	Mining, Logging, and Construction	84,400	89,300	4,900	6%	8	74
8 Fort Lauderdale-Pompano Beach-Deerfield Beach, FL Div.	Construction	52,500	57,400	4,900	9%	8	21
10 Warren-Troy-Farmington Hills, MI Div.	Mining, Logging, and Construction	62,900	67,500	4,600	7%	10	51

Most Jobs Lost

Area[1]	Industry[2]	August '23	August '24	12-month gain/loss	12-month % change	Rank[3] based on: gain/loss	% change
1 New York City, NY	Mining, Logging, and Construction	144,400	135,800	-8,600	-6%	358	351
2 Minneapolis-St. Paul-Bloomington, MN-WI	Mining, Logging, and Construction	98,100	94,100	-4,000	-4%	357	342
3 Denver-Aurora-Lakewood, CO	Mining, Logging, and Construction	114,800	111,800	-3,000	-3%	356	329
4 San Jose-Sunnyvale-Santa Clara, CA	Construction	55,000	52,300	-2,700	-5%	355	346
5 Portland-Vancouver-Hillsboro, OR-WA	Construction	83,900	81,700	-2,200	-3%	354	329
6 Calvert-Charles-Prince George's, MD	Mining, Logging, and Construction	33,700	31,600	-2,100	-6%	353	351
7 Silver Spring-Frederick-Rockville, MD Div.	Mining, Logging, and Construction	32,200	30,300	-1,900	-6%	352	351
8 Baltimore-Columbia-Towson, MD	Mining, Logging, and Construction	81,000	79,200	-1,800	-2%	351	310
9 Bergen-Hudson-Passaic, NJ	Mining, Logging, and Construction	30,700	29,100	-1,600	-5%	349	346
9 Orange-Rockland-Westchester, NY	Mining, Logging, and Construction	48,100	46,500	-1,600	-3%	349	329

Largest Percentage Gains

Area[1]	Industry[2]	August '23	August '24	12-month gain/loss	12-month % change	Rank[3] based on: gain/loss	% change
1 Kahului-Wailuku-Lahaina, HI	Mining, Logging, and Construction	4,500	5,300	800	18%	67	1
2 Anchorage, AK	Construction	12,700	14,900	2,200	17%	32	2
2 Danville, IL	Mining, Logging, and Construction	600	700	100	17%	184	2
4 Urban Honolulu, HI	Mining, Logging, and Construction	27,500	31,900	4,400	16%	12	4
4 Baton Rouge, LA	Construction	46,700	54,000	7,300	16%	4	4
4 Detroit-Dearborn-Livonia, MI Div.	Mining, Logging, and Construction	26,300	30,400	4,100	16%	17	4
7 Elizabethtown-Fort Knox, KY	Mining, Logging, and Construction	2,900	3,300	400	14%	106	7
8 Lawton, OK	Mining, Logging, and Construction	1,600	1,800	200	13%	158	8
9 Fairbanks, AK	Construction	3,300	3,700	400	12%	106	9
9 Las Vegas-Henderson-Paradise, NV	Construction	81,600	91,200	9,600	12%	2	9

Largest Percentage Losses

Area[1]	Industry[2]	August '23	August '24	12-month gain/loss	12-month % change	Rank[3] based on: gain/loss	% change
1 Duluth, MN-WI	Mining, Logging, and Construction	10,900	9,700	-1,200	-11%	348	358
2 Ithaca, NY	Mining, Logging, and Construction	1,200	1,100	-100	-8%	289	356
2 Grants Pass, OR	Construction	1,300	1,200	-100	-8%	289	356
4 Yuba City, CA	Mining, Logging, and Construction	3,400	3,200	-200	-6%	320	351
4 Silver Spring-Frederick-Rockville, MD Div.	Mining, Logging, and Construction	32,200	30,300	-1,900	-6%	352	351
4 Calvert-Charles-Prince George's, MD	Mining, Logging, and Construction	33,700	31,600	-2,100	-6%	353	351
4 New York City, NY	Mining, Logging, and Construction	144,400	135,800	-8,600	-6%	358	351
4 Corvallis, OR	Mining, Logging, and Construction	1,600	1,500	-100	-6%	289	351
9 San Jose-Sunnyvale-Santa Clara, CA	Construction	55,000	52,300	-2,700	-5%	355	346
9 Peabody-Salem-Beverly, MA NECTA Div.	Mining, Logging, and Construction	4,100	3,900	-200	-5%	320	346
9 Rochester, MN	Mining, Logging, and Construction	5,700	5,400	-300	-5%	335	346
9 Bergen-Hudson-Passaic, NJ	Mining, Logging, and Construction	30,700	29,100	-1,600	-5%	349	346
9 Johnstown, PA	Mining, Logging, and Construction	1,900	1,800	-10000%	0	289	346

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%.)