

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

Total 358 Areas: 234 (65%) with gains, 81 (23%) with losses, 43 unchanged. US total construction employment change: +3.4% (seasonally adjusted).

Most Jobs Added

Area ¹	Industry ²	March '23	March '24	12-month		Rank ³ based on:	
				gains/loss	% change	gain/loss	% change
1 Riverside-San Bernardino-Ontario, CA	Construction	110,400	116,600	6,200	6%	1	80
1 Baton Rouge, LA	Construction	47,900	54,100	6,200	13%	1	20
3 Fort Worth-Arlington, TX Div.	Mining, Logging, and Construction	80,400	86,100	5,700	7%	3	65
4 Phoenix-Mesa-Scottsdale, AZ	Construction	165,000	170,200	5,200	3%	4	149
5 Detroit-Dearborn-Livonia, MI Div.	Mining, Logging, and Construction	22,600	27,600	5,000	22%	5	3
6 Sacramento--Roseville--Arden-Arcade, CA	Construction	70,300	75,200	4,900	7%	6	65
7 Miami-Miami Beach-Kendall, FL Div.	Construction	55,700	60,500	4,800	9%	7	42
8 Las Vegas-Henderson-Paradise, NV	Construction	80,700	85,300	4,600	6%	8	80
9 Atlanta-Sandy Springs-Roswell, GA	Construction	141,900	146,200	4,300	3%	9	149
9 Indianapolis-Carmel-Anderson, IN	Construction	59,000	63,300	4,300	7%	9	65

Most Jobs Lost

Area ¹	Industry ²	March '23	March '24	12-month		Rank ³ based on:	
				gain/loss	% change	gain/loss	% change
1 New York City, NY	Mining, Logging, and Construction	141,900	134,400	-7,500	-5%	358	333
2 Minneapolis-St. Paul-Bloomington, MN-WI	Mining, Logging, and Construction	78,900	73,200	-5,700	-7%	357	349
3 Denver-Aurora-Lakewood, CO	Mining, Logging, and Construction	110,500	104,900	-5,600	-5%	356	333
4 Portland-Vancouver-Hillsboro, OR-WA	Construction	81,000	76,400	-4,600	-6%	355	345
5 Seattle-Bellevue-Everett, WA Div.	Construction	104,700	100,200	-4,500	-4%	354	322
6 Baltimore-Columbia-Towson, MD	Mining, Logging, and Construction	79,100	76,400	-2,700	-3%	353	310
7 Cincinnati, OH-KY-IN	Mining, Logging, and Construction	49,600	47,200	-2,400	-5%	351	333
7 Pittsburgh, PA	Construction	53,400	51,000	-2,400	-4%	351	322
9 Augusta-Richmond County, GA-SC	Mining, Logging, and Construction	16,400	14,100	-2,300	-14%	350	357
10 Montgomery County-Bucks County-Chester County, PA Div.	Mining, Logging, and Construction	56,600	54,400	-2,200	-4%	349	322

Largest Percentage Gains

Area ¹	Industry ²	March '23	March '24	12-month		Rank ³ based on:	
				gain/loss	% change	gain/loss	% change
1 Fairbanks, AK	Construction	2,200	2,800	600	27%	76	1
2 Redding, CA	Mining, Logging, and Construction	3,700	4,600	900	24%	54	2
3 Detroit-Dearborn-Livonia, MI Div.	Mining, Logging, and Construction	22,600	27,600	5,000	22%	5	3
4 Anchorage, AK	Construction	9,200	11,000	1,800	20%	31	4
4 Danville, IL	Mining, Logging, and Construction	500	600	100	20%	185	4
4 Lawton, OK	Mining, Logging, and Construction	1,500	1,800	300	20%	116	4
7 Chico, CA	Mining, Logging, and Construction	3,800	4,500	700	18%	66	7
8 Elmira, NY	Mining, Logging, and Construction	1,200	1,400	200	17%	151	8
9 Lansing-East Lansing, MI	Mining, Logging, and Construction	8,600	10,000	1,400	16%	40	9
9 Saginaw, MI	Mining, Logging, and Construction	3,200	3,700	500	16%	89	9
9 Tulsa, OK	Construction	25,000	28,900	3,900	16%	11	9
9 Sioux Falls, SD	Mining, Logging, and Construction	10,100	11,700	1,600	16%	35	9

Largest Percentage Losses

Area ¹	Industry ²	March '23	March '24	12-month		Rank ³ based on:	
				gain/loss	% change	gain/loss	% change
1 Decatur, IL	Mining, Logging, and Construction	3,900	2,900	-1,000	-26%	337	358
2 Augusta-Richmond County, GA-SC	Mining, Logging, and Construction	16,400	14,100	-2,300	-14%	350	357
3 Lake Charles, LA	Construction	11,800	10,500	-1,300	-11%	344	355
3 Bellingham, WA	Mining, Logging, and Construction	9,000	8,000	-1,000	-11%	337	355
5 Duluth, MN-WI	Mining, Logging, and Construction	9,200	8,400	-800	-9%	335	353
5 Ithaca, NY	Mining, Logging, and Construction	1,100	1,000	-100	-9%	278	353
7 Grand Junction, CO	Mining, Logging, and Construction	6,600	6,100	-500	-8%	324	351
7 Grants Pass, OR	Construction	1,200	1,100	-100	-8%	278	351
9 Minneapolis-St. Paul-Bloomington, MN-WI	Mining, Logging, and Construction	78,900	73,200	-5,700	-7%	357	349
9 Walla Walla, WA	Mining, Logging, and Construction	1,400	1,300	-100	-7%	278	349

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%.)