

Northeast Florida Monthly Employment Report

November 2021

The Florida Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO) announced that the unemployment rate for the Jacksonville region dropped to 3.4 percent in November from 3.8 percent in October 2021.

Of the 860,278 people counted as part of the area's workforce in November, there were 29,003 unemployed residents – down slightly from 32,411 unemployed residents the previous month.

Northeast Florida November 2021 Unemployment Statistics by County Source: Florida Department of Economic Opportunity (not seasonally adjusted)

	<u>May-20</u>	<u>Nov-20</u>	<u>Oct-21</u>	<u>Nov-21</u>
CareerSource Northeast Florida	11.0%	3.9%	3.7%	3.4%
Baker County	7.4%	3.7%	3.7%	3.2%
Clay County	9.4%	3.3%	3.3%	3.0%
Duval County	11.8%	4.2%	4.0%	3.6%
Nassau County	10.6%	3.3%	3.1%	2.9%
Putnam County	11.7%	5.7%	5.9%	5.4%
St. Johns County	10.0%	3.0%	2.9%	2.6%
Jacksonville MSA	11.0%	3.8%	3.7%	3.3%
Florida	14.3%	5.0%	4.0%	3.6%
United States	13.0%	6.4%	4.3%	3.9%

Regional Employment Update

"In addition to unemployment declining in Northeast Florida overall, it also dropped in each of our counties in November," said CareerSource Northeast Florida President Bruce Ferguson.



According to DEO's October report, St. Johns County continued to have the region's lowest unemployment rate (2.6 percent) – followed by Nassau County (2.9 percent), Clay County (3.0 percent), Baker County (3.2 percent), Duval County (3.6 percent) and Putnam County (5.4 percent).

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	Jacksonville Metropolitan Statistical Area			Florida			
Nonagricultural Employment by Industry (not seasonally adjusted)	Jan-20 Nov-20 Nov-2	Nov-20 to	Percent Change from Nov-20 to Nov-21	Jan-20 Nov-20	Nov-21	Change from Nov-20 to Nov-21	Percent Change from Nov-20 to Nov-21
Total Employment	728,900 720,200 753,00	0 32,800	4.6	9,045,900 8,550,300	9,058,100	507,800	5.9
Mining, Logging, and Construction	46,300 47,600 50,60	0 3,000	6.3	573,400 563,400	591,400	28,000	5.0
Manufacturing	33,100 32,300 32,80	0 500	1.5	387,700 378,400	388,700	10,300	2.7
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	159,500 158,100 166,00	0 7,900	5.0	1,827,900 1,777,600	1,867,800	90,200	5.1
Wholesale Trade	27,400 26,600 28,80	0 2,200	8.3	354,900 343,600	361,300	17,700	5.2
Retail Trade	80,900 80,200 84,50	0 4,300	5.4	1,107,800 1,080,300	1,123,700	43,400	4.0
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	51,200 51,300 52,70	0 1,400	2.7	365,200 353,700	382,800	29,100	8.2
Information	9,200 8,900 9,00	0 100	1.1	138,200 128,400	139,500	11,100	8.6
Financial Activities	67,500 69,100 73,00	0 3,900	5.6	600,300 597,200	629,700	32,500	5.4
Professional and Business Services	110,100 112,400 119,20	0 6,800	6.0	1,397,400 1,366,400	1,458,700	92,300	6.8
Education and Health Services	112,900 111,700 116,20	0 4,500	4.0	1,361,200 1,316,100	1,369,500	53,400	4.1
Leisure and Hospitality	85,200 76,100 81,40	0 5,300	7.0	1,260,300 993,600	1,136,500	142,900	14.4
Other Services	26,900 25,000 25,70	0 700	2.8	353,500 321,900	349,000	27,100	8.4
Government	78,200 79,000 79,10	0 100	0.1	1,146,000 1,107,300	1,127,300	20,000	1.8

"The Jacksonville metro area also recorded the third-highest annual job growth compared to all the metro areas in the state in financial activities (adding 3,900 jobs) in November 2021," Ferguson said. "As we enter the new year, our region and the state are poised to put more people back to work – and we will continue offering help and developing new initiatives to help employers connect with job seekers throughout our sixcounty region."

In November, CareerSource NEFL also received more than 3,500 open job positions from its partneremployers. While it was down slightly from the previous month, this follows seasonal trends seen each year in November and December.

For those looking for a job, CareerSource NEFL can connect them with employers that are hiring now. For job seekers who want to make a transition to a new career, CareerSource NEFL offers assessments and

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training to help them gain the skills needed to put them on a new career track. To learn how CareerSource NEFL can help secure that next career, visit <u>www.careersourcenefl.com</u> or call 904-356-JOBS (5627).

Job seekers are encouraged to visit <u>www.careersourcenefl.com</u>, where they can schedule a virtual appointment – or schedule one at their nearest career center location. They can also schedule an appointment by phone at (904) 356-JOBS (5627).

CareerSource NEFL has scheduled its next regional virtual job fair from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 12, 2022 – allowing job seekers to connect with multiple companies and organizations to find out more about their open positions. CareerSource NEFL will continue to host in-person recruitment events for individual companies at many of our career centers during the month.

For more information about this and other job workshops and employer recruitment events that are taking place, visit the events page at <u>https://careersourcenortheastflorida.com/events/</u>.

CareerSource NEFL is responsible for providing a trained workforce to businesses in Baker, Clay, Duval, Nassau, Putnam and St. Johns counties. For more information, visit <u>www.careersourcenefl.com</u>.