

Construction (101200)

Construction is projected to experience a net gain of 1,142 jobs between first quarter 2018 and first quarter 2020 amounting to an increase of 2.32 percent.

Construction of Buildings is projected to add 393 jobs to the Arkansas labor market.

Residential Building Construction is projected to add 369 jobs, a gain of 10.70 percent, placing the industry among the top 10 on the

Top 20 Fastest Growing Industries list. Nonresidential Building Construction is estimated to experience a small net gain and add 24 new jobs between 2018 and 2020.

The *Heavy and Civil Engineering Construction* subsector could experience the toughest outlook among the Construction subsectors with a loss of 167 jobs. Taking the brunt of the loss could be Utility System Construction, with a loss of 113 jobs. The industry lost 11.59 percent of its workforce between first quarter 2017 and first quarter 2018 and continue that trend into early 2019, but take a slight upturn late 2019 into 2020. Other Heavy and Civil Engineering Construction could also experience losses with an anticipated decline of 9.02 percent of its workforce placing it among the top 10 fastest declining industries.

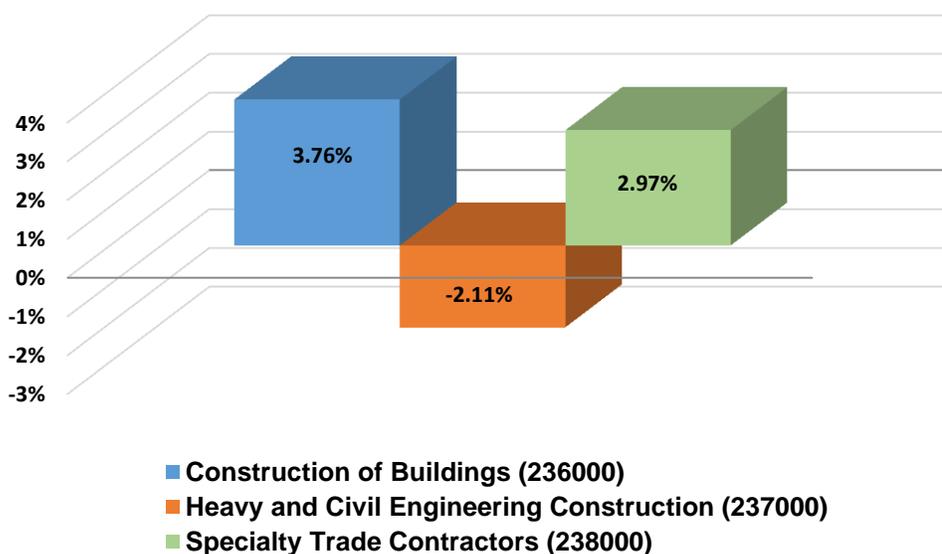
The brightest outlook in **Construction** is expected to come from the *Specialty Trade Contractors* subsector, which is estimated to increase by 916 jobs, or a 2.97 percent change. Building Equipment Contractors leads all **Construction** industries in projected net growth with 430 new jobs.

SHORT-TERM OUTLOOK 2018-2020

2-Year Historical (2016-2018) Growth Rate: 0.94%

2-Year Projected (2018-2020) Growth Rate: 2.32%

Percent Change by Subsector
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**Workforce Development Area Outlook
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Workforce Development Area	2018 Estimated Employment	2020 Projected Employment	Numeric Change	Percent Change
Northwest Arkansas	11,778	12,204	426	3.62%
North Central Arkansas	2,304	2,340	36	1.56%
Northeast Arkansas	3,446	3,555	109	3.16%
Western Arkansas	3,880	3,994	114	2.94%
West Central Arkansas	4,219	4,265	46	1.09%
Central Arkansas	9,845	10,204	359	3.65%
City of Little Rock	4,519	4,700	181	4.01%
Eastern Arkansas	833	820	-13	-1.56%
Southwest Arkansas	3,291	3,269	-22	-0.67%
Southeast Arkansas	2,031	2,030	-1	-0.05%