COVID-19'S Impact On Labor Force Participation in South Florida

It has been over two years since the COVID-19 pandemic began to affect and alter our lives, particularly the way we work and our involvement in the labor force. With Quarterly Workforce Indicators (QWI) data from the U.S Census Bureau, we can see how the Broward and Miami-Dade County workforces are recovering from the pandemic.

Employment Count

Average Monthly Earnings

QWI Indicators

Job Creation

Job Losses

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Employment Count

BROWARD

The employment count in 2019 compared to 2021 demonstrates that Broward County has not fully recovered from the pandemic in terms of employment, but they are improving. Between sex, age, race, and ethnicity the employment count has decreased since 2019.

■ 2019   ■ 2021

10%
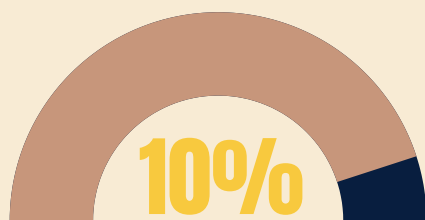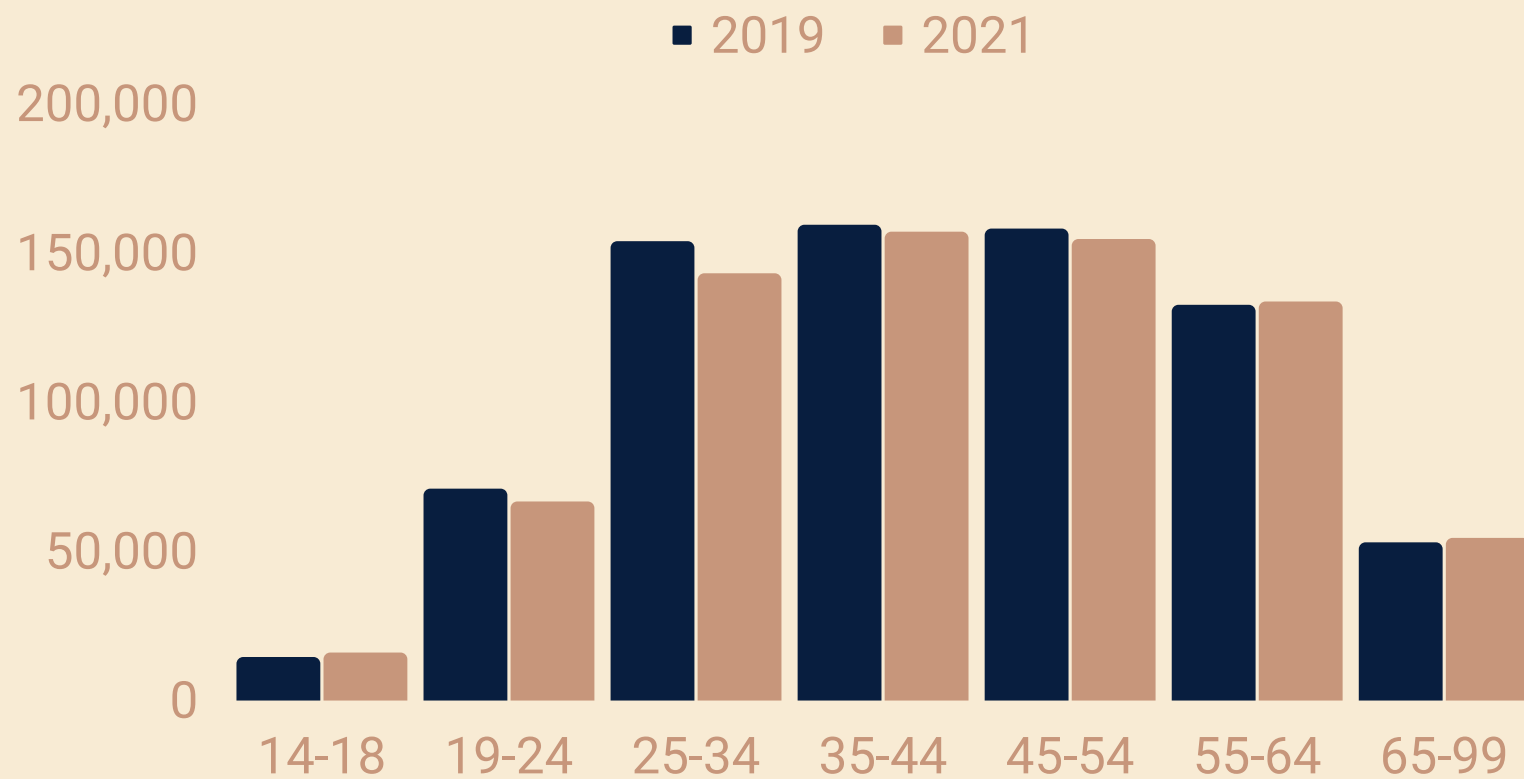
Employment count has **increased** 10% for 14-18 year olds in Broward, a group typically underrepresented in the workforce.
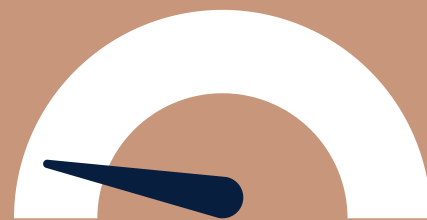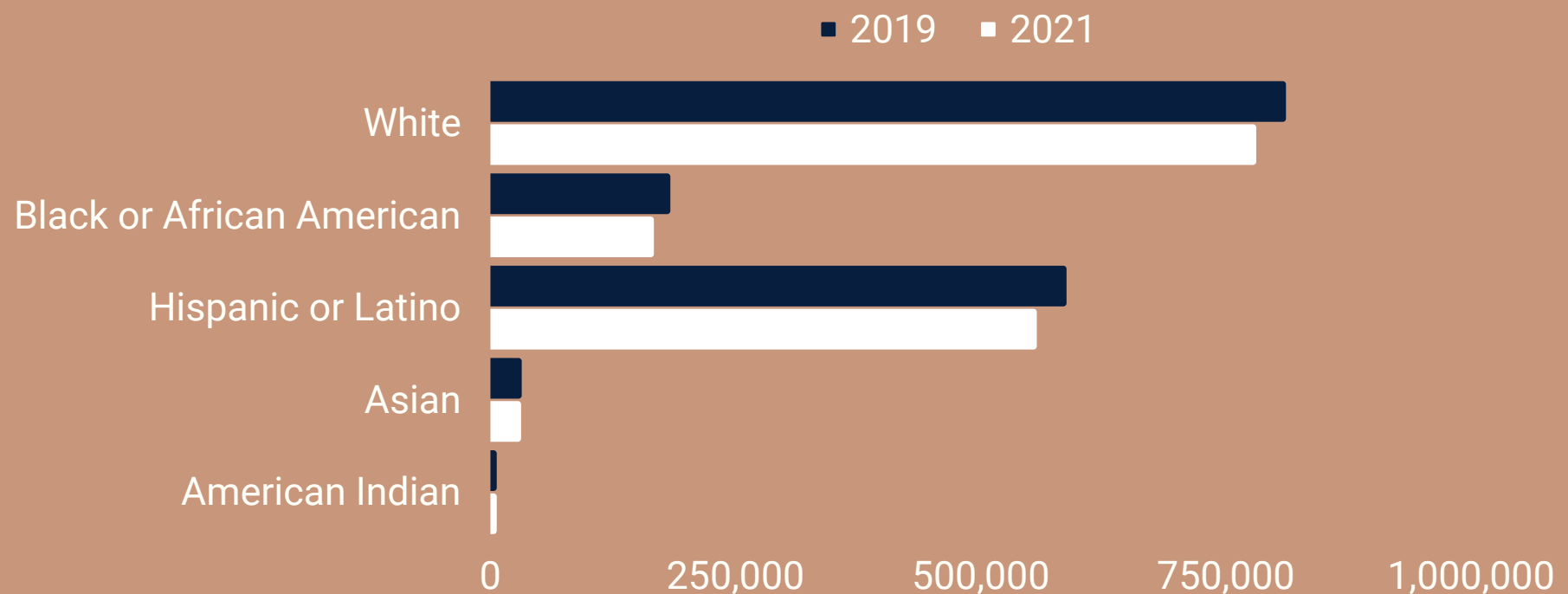
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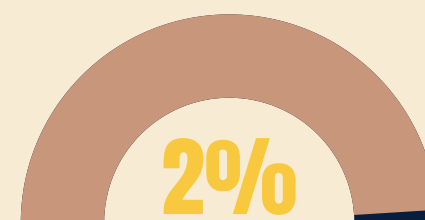
Employment count has **increased** 2% for 65-99 year olds in Broward, a group typically underrepresented in the workforce.

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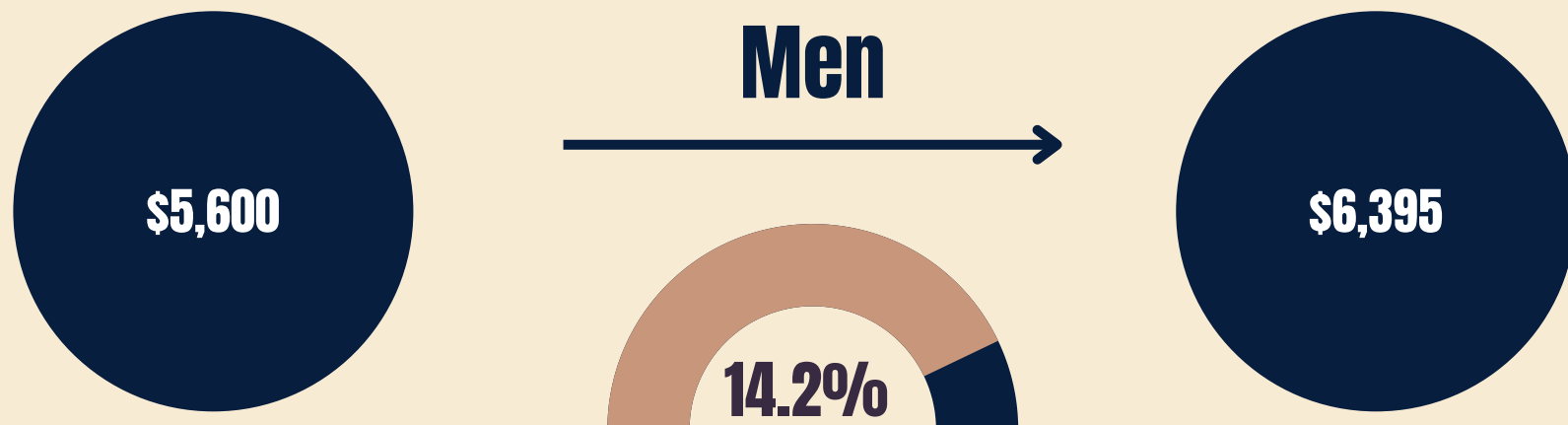
Employment Count

MIAMI-DADE

The employment count in 2019 compared to 2021 in Miami-Dade has decreased across most groups and like Broward, the age groups of 14-18 and 65-99 have had an increase in labor participation.

■ 2019　■ 2021

White	
Black or African American	
Hispanic or Latino	
Asian	
American Indian	

0　　250,000　　500,000　　750,000　　1,000,000

Employment count for Blacks or African Americans in Miami-Dade County **decreased** by **9.6%,** in late 2019 compared to early 2021.

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Broward County's
Average Nominal Monthly Wages

Men

$5,600 → $6,395

14.2%

For men in Broward there has been a 14.2% **increase** in average monthly wages in early 2021 compared to late 2019.
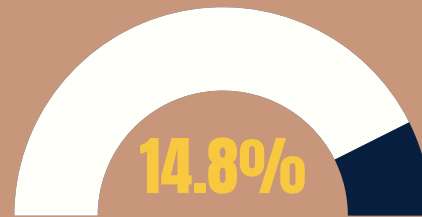
Women

$3,722 → $4,176

12.2%
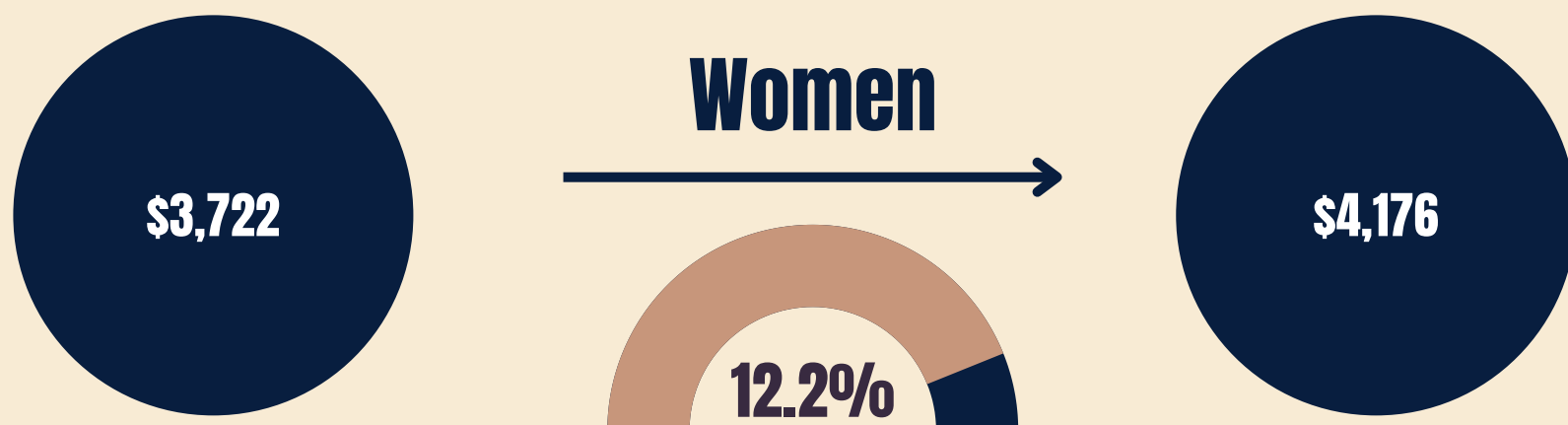
For women in Broward there has been a 12.2% **increase** in average monthly wages in early 2021 compared to late 2019.

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Miami-Dade County's Average Nominal Monthly Wages

Men

$5,786

$6,645

14.8%
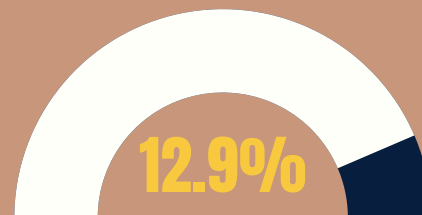
For men in Miami-Dade, there has been a 14.8% **increase** in average monthly wages in early 2021 compared to late 2019.
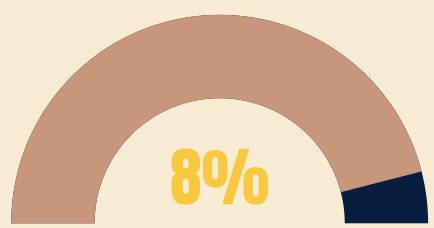
Women

$3,848

$4,343

12.9%
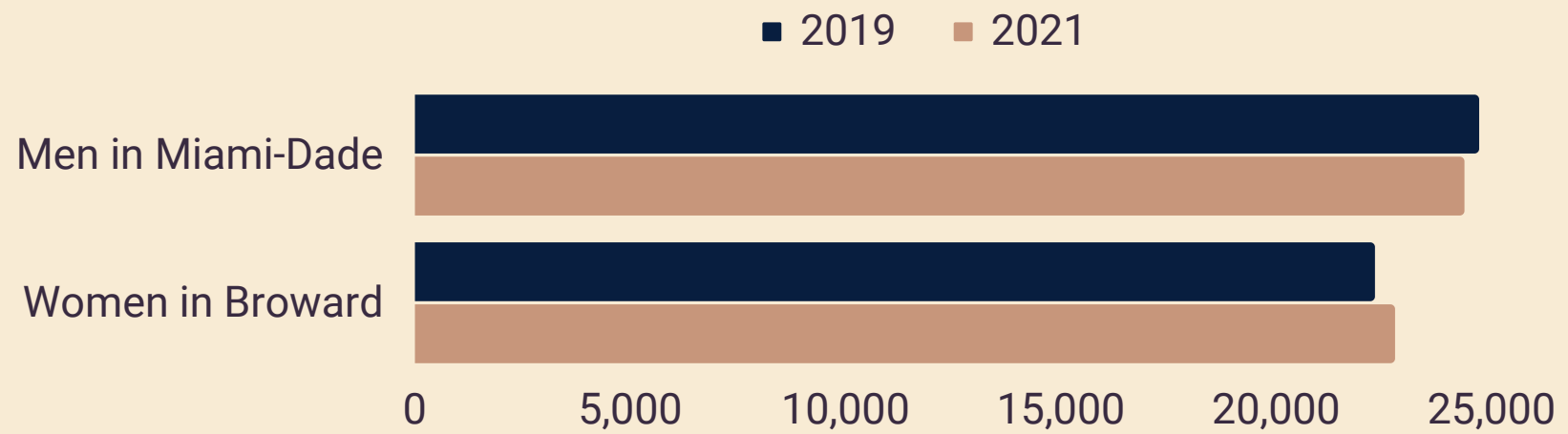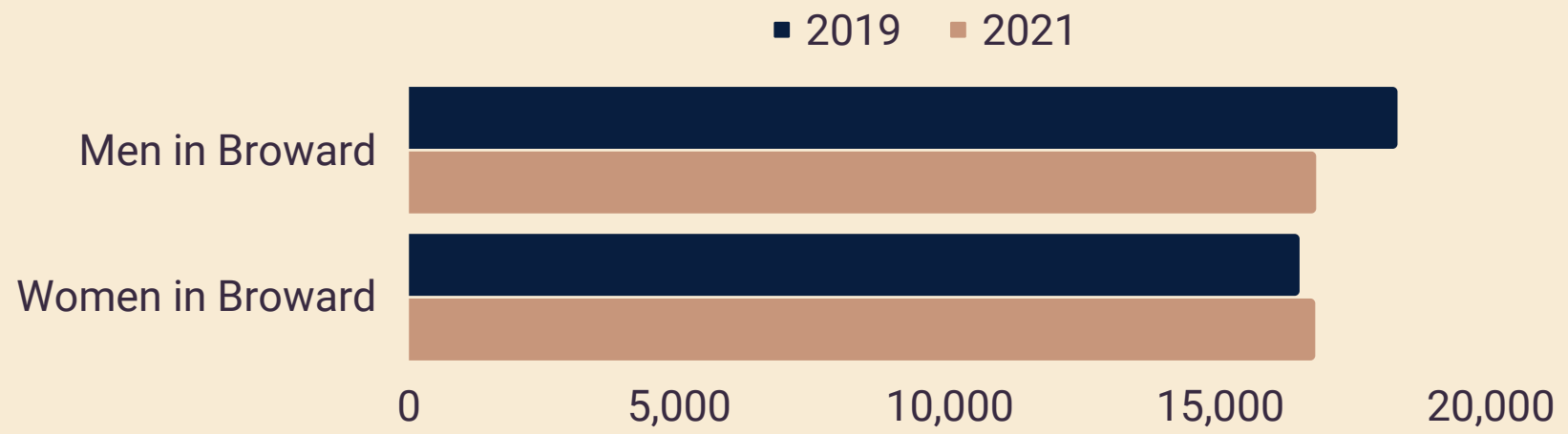
For women in Miami-Dade, there has been a 12.9% **increase** in average monthly wages in early 2021 compared to late 2019.

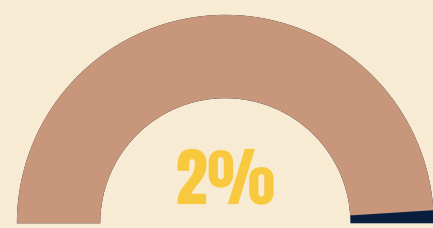**FIU** | Jorge M. Pérez
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Job Losses in Broward and Miami-Dade

■ 2019   ■ 2021

Men in Broward	
Women in Broward	

0   5,000   10,000   15,000   20,000

■ 2019   ■ 2021

Men in Miami-Dade	
Women in Broward	

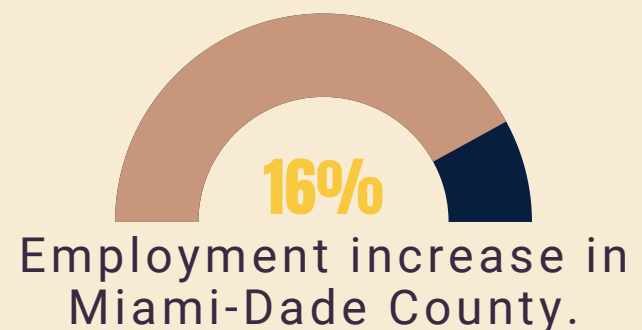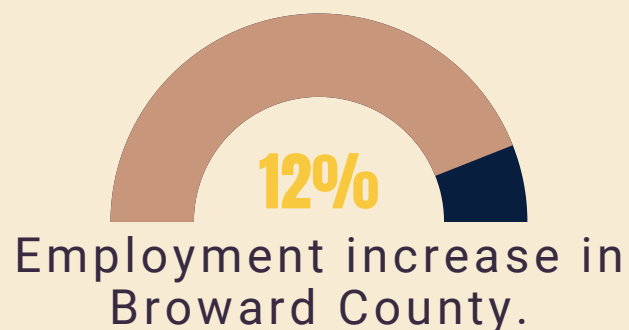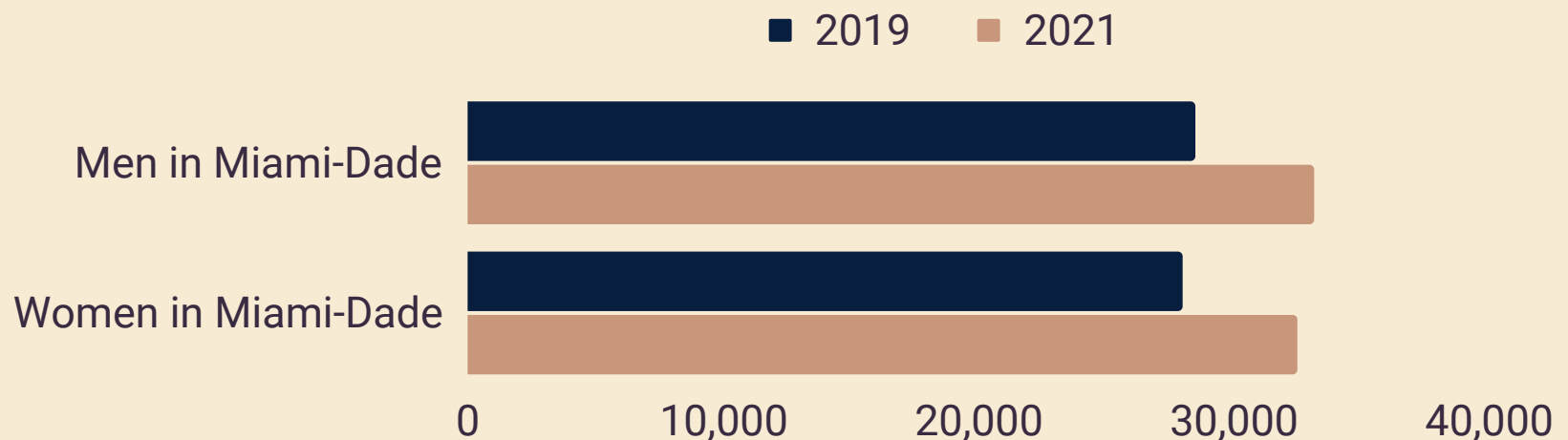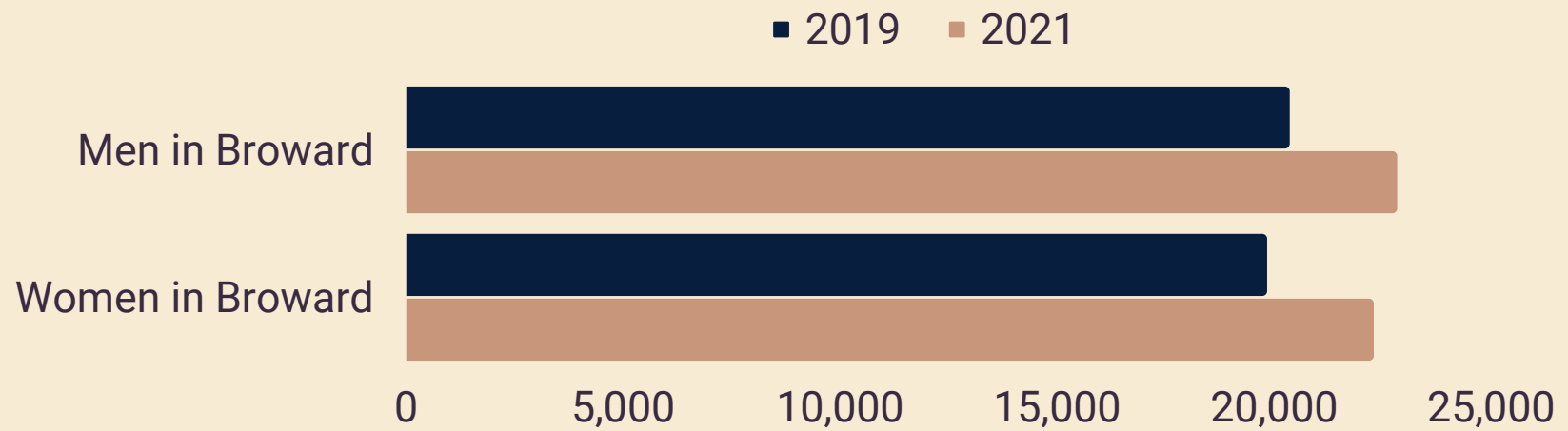0   5,000   10,000   15,000   20,000   25,000

8%

There was an **8% decrease** in job losses for men in Broward and a 1% decrease for men in Miami-Dade.

2%

There was a **2% increase** in job losses for women in Broward and Miami-Dade.

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Job Creation in Broward and MIami-Dade County

■ 2019 ■ 2021

Men in Broward

Women in Broward

0   5,000   10,000   15,000   20,000   25,000

■ 2019 ■ 2021

Men in Miami-Dade

Women in Miami-Dade

0   10,000   20,000   30,000   40,000

12%
Employment increase in Broward County.

16%
Employment increase in Miami-Dade County.

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