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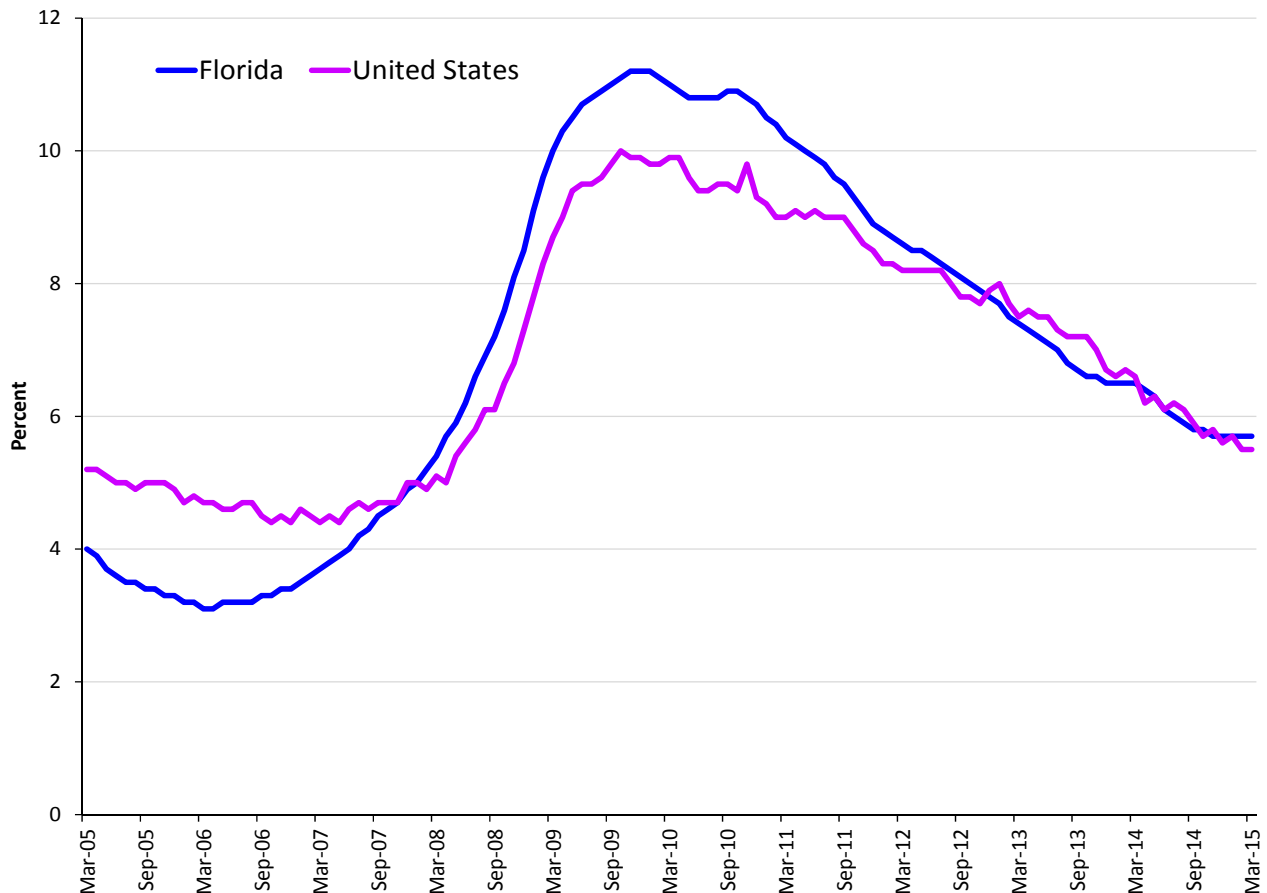
Florida's March Employment Figures Released
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TALLAHASSEE – Florida's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 5.7 percent in March 2015, unchanged from the revised February 2015 rate of 5.7 percent, and down 0.8 percentage point from 6.5 percent a year ago. There were 548,000 jobless Floridians out of a labor force of 9,125,000. The U.S. unemployment rate was 5.5 percent in March. Florida's unemployment rate has been less than or equal to the national rate for 23 of the last 28 months.

Florida's seasonally adjusted total nonagricultural employment was 8,022,900 in March 2015, an increase of 30,600 jobs (+0.4 percent) over the month. Compared to March a year ago, the number of jobs in the state was up by 284,100, an increase of 3.7 percent. Nationally, the number of jobs was up 2.3 percent over the year. Florida's annual job growth rate has exceeded the nation's rate since April 2012.

United States and Florida Unemployment Rates (seasonally adjusted)



Source: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Local Area Unemployment Statistics Program, in cooperation with the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity, Bureau of Labor Market Statistics.

Florida's Nonagricultural Employment by Industry (Seasonally Adjusted)

- The number of jobs in Florida was 8,022,900 in March 2015, up 284,100 jobs compared to a year ago. March 2015 was the 56th consecutive month with positive annual job growth after the state lost jobs for over three years. The industry gaining the most jobs was leisure and hospitality (+54,800 jobs, +5.1 percent).
- Other industries gaining jobs included trade, transportation, and utilities (+54,700 jobs, +3.4 percent); professional and business services (+49,600 jobs, +4.3 percent); private education and health services (+47,600 jobs, +4.2 percent); construction (+37,400 jobs, +9.7 percent); financial activities (+14,700 jobs, +2.8 percent); other services (+14,500 jobs, +4.5 percent); government (+7,500 jobs, +0.7 percent); and manufacturing (+4,700 jobs, +1.4 percent).
- The only major industry that lost jobs over the year was information (-1,300 jobs, -1.0 percent).

Local Area Unemployment Statistics (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

- In March 2015, Monroe County had the state's lowest unemployment rate (3.8 percent), followed by St. Johns County (4.0 percent), and Wakulla, Okaloosa, and Alachua counties (4.6 percent each).
- Putnam County had the highest unemployment rate (8.0 percent) in Florida in March 2015, followed by Citrus County (7.6 percent); Hendry and Sumter counties (7.4 percent each); and Gadsden County (7.1 percent). There was no county with a double-digit unemployment rate for March or February.

Area Nonagricultural Employment (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

- Of the 24 metro areas in the state, all 24 had over-the-year job gains in March 2015. The areas with the largest gains were Orlando-Kissimmee-Sanford (+50,200 jobs, +4.6 percent), Miami-Miami Beach-Kendall (+42,300 jobs, +3.9 percent), and Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater (+34,500 jobs, +2.9 percent).

Note: The unemployment and job growth rates are estimates, which are primarily based on surveys created and mandated by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics in cooperation with the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity.

The unemployment rate is derived from Florida household surveys conducted by the U.S. Census Bureau under contract with the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. The job growth rate is derived from Florida employer surveys conducted by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Both estimates are revised on a monthly basis. In addition, these estimates are benchmarked (revised) annually based on actual counts from Florida's Reemployment Assistance tax records and other data.

Procedures mandated by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics may result in more variable month-to-month changes. For further information, go to: <http://www.bls.gov/sae/cesprocs.htm>

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The next Florida Employment and Unemployment release will be May 22, 2015, at 10:00 A.M.

LABOR FORCE STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN NONINSTITUTIONAL POPULATION
RELEASE DATE: April 17, 2015

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

	Current Month March 2015	Month Ago February 2015	Year Ago March 2014	Over-the-Month Change		Over-the-Year Change	
				Level	Percent	Level	Percent

STATE OF FLORIDA

Civilian Noninstitutional Population 16+	16,164,000	16,144,000	15,898,000	20,000	0.1	266,000	1.7
Civilian Labor Force	9,672,000	9,705,000	9,533,000	-33,000	-0.3	139,000	1.5
Employment	9,125,000	9,155,000	8,916,000	-30,000	-0.3	209,000	2.3
Unemployment	548,000	550,000	617,000	-2,000	-0.4	-69,000	-11.2
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.7	5.7	6.5	0.0	--	-0.8	--

UNITED STATES

Civilian Noninstitutional Population 16+	250,080,000	249,899,000	247,258,000	181,000	0.1	2,822,000	1.1
Civilian Labor Force	156,906,000	157,002,000	156,180,000	-96,000	-0.1	726,000	0.5
Employment	148,331,000	148,297,000	145,796,000	34,000	*	2,535,000	1.7
Unemployment	8,575,000	8,705,000	10,384,000	-130,000	-1.5	-1,809,000	-17.4
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.5	5.5	6.6	0.0	--	-1.1	--

NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

	Current Month March 2015	Month Ago February 2015	Year Ago March 2014	Over-the-Month Change		Over-the-Year Change	
				Level	Percent	Level	Percent

STATE OF FLORIDA

Civilian Noninstitutional Population 16+	16,164,000	16,144,000	15,898,000	20,000	0.1	266,000	1.7
Civilian Labor Force	9,547,000	9,599,000	9,632,000	-52,000	-0.5	-85,000	-0.9
Employment	9,025,000	9,065,000	8,999,000	-40,000	-0.4	26,000	0.3
Unemployment	523,000	534,000	634,000	-11,000	-2.1	-111,000	-17.5
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.5	5.6	6.6	-0.1	--	-1.1	--

UNITED STATES

Civilian Noninstitutional Population 16+	250,080,000	249,899,000	247,258,000	181,000	0.1	2,822,000	1.1
Civilian Labor Force	156,318,000	156,213,000	155,627,000	105,000	0.1	691,000	0.4
Employment	147,635,000	147,118,000	145,090,000	517,000	0.4	2,545,000	1.8
Unemployment	8,682,000	9,095,000	10,537,000	-413,000	-4.5	-1,855,000	-17.6
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.6	5.8	6.8	-0.2	--	-1.2	--

* = less than 0.1 percent

Note: All estimates except unemployment rates are rounded to the nearest thousand. Items may not add to totals or compute to displayed percentages due to rounding. All data are subject to revision.

Source: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Local Area Unemployment Statistics Program, in cooperation with the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity, Bureau of Labor Market Statistics.

Nonagricultural Employment in Florida
Seasonally Adjusted (in thousands)

	March ^P 2015	February ^r 2015	March 2014	Over-the-Month Change		Over-the-Year Change	
				Level	Percent	Level	Percent
Total Nonagricultural Employment	8,022.9	7,992.3	7,738.8	30.6	0.4	284.1	3.7
Total Private	6,941.0	6,911.6	6,664.4	29.4	0.4	276.6	4.2
Goods Producing	763.2	755.1	721.2	8.1	1.1	42.0	5.8
Construction	424.4	417.9	387.0	6.5	1.6	37.4	9.7
Manufacturing	333.2	331.5	328.5	1.7	0.5	4.7	1.4
Durable Goods	225.8	224.5	220.0	1.3	0.6	5.8	2.6
Nondurable Goods	107.4	107.0	108.5	0.4	0.4	-1.1	-1.0
Service-Providing	7,259.7	7,237.2	7,017.6	22.5	0.3	242.1	3.4
Private Service Providing	6,177.8	6,156.5	5,943.2	21.3	0.3	234.6	3.9
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	1,662.7	1,658.1	1,608.0	4.6	0.3	54.7	3.4
Wholesale Trade	335.0	334.2	324.6	0.8	0.2	10.4	3.2
Retail Trade	1,068.6	1,065.0	1,031.7	3.6	0.3	36.9	3.6
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	259.1	258.9	251.7	0.2	0.1	7.4	2.9
Information	134.5	135.0	135.8	-0.5	-0.4	-1.3	-1.0
Financial Activities	532.4	531.6	517.7	0.8	0.2	14.7	2.8
Finance and Insurance	358.5	358.4	348.4	0.1	*	10.1	2.9
Real Estate, Rental, and Leasing	173.9	173.2	169.3	0.7	0.4	4.6	2.7
Professional and Business Services	1,195.0	1,191.0	1,145.4	4.0	0.3	49.6	4.3
Professional and Technical Services	505.4	500.6	477.0	4.8	1.0	28.4	6.0
Management of Companies and Enterprises	96.5	96.0	93.5	0.5	0.5	3.0	3.2
Administrative and Waste Services	593.1	594.4	574.9	-1.3	-0.2	18.2	3.2
Education and Health Services	1,192.2	1,189.5	1,144.6	2.7	0.2	47.6	4.2
Educational Services	148.2	150.2	145.9	-2.0	-1.3	2.3	1.6
Health Care and Social Assistance	1,044.0	1,039.3	998.7	4.7	0.5	45.3	4.5
Leisure and Hospitality	1,125.3	1,117.2	1,070.5	8.1	0.7	54.8	5.1
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	214.7	213.4	204.6	1.3	0.6	10.1	4.9
Accommodation and Food Services	910.6	903.8	865.9	6.8	0.8	44.7	5.2

Source: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Current Employment Statistics Program.
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**Nonagricultural Employment in Florida
Seasonally Adjusted (in thousands)**

	March ^P 2015	February ^r 2015	March 2014	Over-the-Month Change		Over-the-Year Change	
				Level	Percent	Level	Percent
Other Services	335.7	334.1	321.2	1.6	0.5	14.5	4.5
Total Government	1,081.9	1,080.7	1,074.4	1.2	0.1	7.5	0.7
Federal Government	133.6	133.6	131.0	0.0	0.0	2.6	2.0
State Government	208.7	208.2	206.7	0.5	0.2	2.0	1.0
Local Government	739.6	738.9	736.7	0.7	0.1	2.9	0.4

^P = preliminary, ^r = revised

Note: Sum of detail may not equal totals due to rounding or the exclusion of certain industries from publication. All data are subject to revision.

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**NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT IN FLORIDA
STATEWIDE (Not Seasonally Adjusted)**

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Industry Title	March 2015	February 2015	March 2014	Change from			
				Feb 2015 to Mar 2015 Level	Percent	Mar 2014 to Mar 2015 Level	Percent
Total Nonagricultural Employment	8,084,100	8,016,900	7,791,400	67,200	0.8%	292,700	3.8%
Total Private	6,976,600	6,913,700	6,693,100	62,900	0.9%	283,500	4.2%
Goods Producing	755,300	747,700	717,000	7,600	1.0%	38,300	5.3%
Mining and Logging	5,600	5,700	5,700	-100	-1.8%	-100	-1.8%
Mining, except Oil and Gas	3,300	3,300	3,400	0	0.0%	-100	-2.9%
Construction	416,000	410,600	383,100	5,400	1.3%	32,900	8.6%
Construction of Buildings	84,600	83,000	77,800	1,600	1.9%	6,800	8.7%
Heavy and Civil Engineering Construction	53,700	52,100	49,000	1,600	3.1%	4,700	9.6%
Specialty Trade Contractors	277,700	275,500	256,300	2,200	0.8%	21,400	8.4%
Building Equipment Contractors	122,600	121,200	114,900	1,400	1.2%	7,700	6.7%
Manufacturing	333,700	331,400	328,200	2,300	0.7%	5,500	1.7%
Durable Goods	226,200	224,200	219,500	2,000	0.9%	6,700	3.1%
Fabricated Metal Product Manufacturing	33,200	33,000	34,200	200	0.6%	-1,000	-2.9%
Computer and Electronic Product Manufacturing	42,300	42,000	40,500	300	0.7%	1,800	4.4%
Communications Equipment Manufacturing	5,900	5,900	6,000	0	0.0%	-100	-1.7%
Transportation Equipment Manufacturing	37,500	37,300	36,800	200	0.5%	700	1.9%
Aerospace Product and Parts Manufacturing	19,000	19,000	19,100	0	0.0%	-100	-0.5%
Miscellaneous Durable Goods Manufacturing	31,000	30,900	30,300	100	0.3%	700	2.3%
Nondurable Goods	107,500	107,200	108,700	300	0.3%	-1,200	-1.1%
Food Manufacturing	30,100	30,200	30,000	-100	-0.3%	100	0.3%
Beverage and Tobacco Product Manufacturing	9,600	9,600	9,300	0	0.0%	300	3.2%
Paper Manufacturing	8,800	8,800	8,800	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Printing and Related Support Activities	17,200	17,100	17,200	100	0.6%	0	0.0%
Chemical Manufacturing	18,400	18,400	18,800	0	0.0%	-400	-2.1%

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Service Providing	7,328,800	7,269,200	7,074,400	59,600	0.8%	254,400	3.6%
Private Service Providing	6,221,300	6,166,000	5,976,100	55,300	0.9%	245,200	4.1%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	1,663,700	1,655,800	1,604,700	7,900	0.5%	59,000	3.7%
Wholesale Trade	335,500	334,600	324,800	900	0.3%	10,700	3.3%
Merchant Wholesalers, Durable Goods	165,000	165,400	162,700	-400	-0.2%	2,300	1.4%
Commercial Equipment Wholesalers	48,200	47,800	46,400	400	0.8%	1,800	3.9%
Electrical and Electronic Goods Wholesalers	20,200	20,200	20,400	0	0.0%	-200	-1.0%
Machinery and Supply Wholesalers	29,600	29,600	29,100	0	0.0%	500	1.7%
Merchant Wholesalers, Nondurable Goods	125,600	124,200	118,300	1,400	1.1%	7,300	6.2%
Grocery and Related Product Wholesalers	50,700	49,300	46,800	1,400	2.8%	3,900	8.3%
Wholesale Electronic Markets and Agents	44,900	45,000	43,800	-100	-0.2%	1,100	2.5%
Retail Trade	1,068,000	1,063,200	1,027,500	4,800	0.5%	40,500	3.9%
Motor Vehicle and Parts Dealers	132,900	133,700	126,300	-800	-0.6%	6,600	5.2%
Automobile Dealers	83,100	83,800	78,800	-700	-0.8%	4,300	5.5%
Furniture and Home Furnishings Stores	35,600	35,800	34,300	-200	-0.6%	1,300	3.8%
Electronics and Appliance Stores	40,400	40,700	38,600	-300	-0.7%	1,800	4.7%
Building Material and Garden Supply Stores	82,400	81,100	78,600	1,300	1.6%	3,800	4.8%
Food and Beverage Stores	216,500	215,100	205,900	1,400	0.7%	10,600	5.2%
Health and Personal Care Stores	77,200	77,900	76,000	-700	-0.9%	1,200	1.6%
Gasoline Stations	42,400	41,900	41,300	500	1.2%	1,100	2.7%
Clothing and Accessory Stores	115,400	112,600	112,000	2,800	2.5%	3,400	3.0%
Sporting Goods, Hobby, Book, and Music Stores	36,700	36,900	35,900	-200	-0.5%	800	2.2%
General Merchandise Stores	205,900	204,200	198,400	1,700	0.8%	7,500	3.8%
Department Stores	83,100	83,500	80,400	-400	-0.5%	2,700	3.4%
Other General Merchandise Stores	122,800	120,700	118,000	2,100	1.7%	4,800	4.1%
Miscellaneous Store Retailers	53,500	54,400	53,700	-900	-1.7%	-200	-0.4%
Nonstore Retailers	29,100	28,900	26,500	200	0.7%	2,600	9.8%
Electronic Shopping and Mail-Order Houses	21,500	21,300	19,000	200	0.9%	2,500	13.2%
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	260,200	258,000	252,400	2,200	0.9%	7,800	3.1%
Utilities	21,900	21,800	22,300	100	0.5%	-400	-1.8%

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Transportation and Warehousing	238,300	236,200	230,100	2,100	0.9%	8,200	3.6%
Air Transportation	34,500	34,300	33,800	200	0.6%	700	2.1%
Water Transportation	12,800	12,800	12,500	0	0.0%	300	2.4%
Truck Transportation	49,100	47,700	47,100	1,400	2.9%	2,000	4.3%
Support Activities for Transportation	54,100	53,900	53,700	200	0.4%	400	0.7%
Couriers and Messengers	29,900	29,800	28,900	100	0.3%	1,000	3.5%
Warehousing and Storage	30,100	30,100	29,500	0	0.0%	600	2.0%
Information	134,800	135,100	136,000	-300	-0.2%	-1,200	-0.9%
Publishing Industries, except Internet	30,600	30,900	30,600	-300	-1.0%	0	0.0%
Broadcasting, except Internet	15,400	15,500	15,800	-100	-0.7%	-400	-2.5%
Telecommunications	52,000	51,900	52,700	100	0.2%	-700	-1.3%
Wired Telecommunications Carriers	40,300	40,400	41,100	-100	-0.3%	-800	-2.0%
Internet Service Providers and Data Processing	18,100	18,000	18,300	100	0.6%	-200	-1.1%
Financial Activities	531,700	529,200	516,900	2,500	0.5%	14,800	2.9%
Finance and Insurance	357,500	357,500	347,800	0	0.0%	9,700	2.8%
Credit Intermediation and Related Activities	158,700	159,300	158,300	-600	-0.4%	400	0.3%
Depository Credit Intermediation	96,600	96,800	97,500	-200	-0.2%	-900	-0.9%
Insurance Carriers and Related Activities	153,500	152,600	146,000	900	0.6%	7,500	5.1%
Insurance Carriers	78,800	78,200	73,700	600	0.8%	5,100	6.9%
Insurance Agencies, Brokerages, and Related	74,700	74,400	72,300	300	0.4%	2,400	3.3%
Real Estate, Rental, and Leasing	174,200	171,700	169,100	2,500	1.5%	5,100	3.0%
Real Estate	134,300	132,000	130,500	2,300	1.7%	3,800	2.9%
Professional and Business Services	1,197,300	1,189,600	1,146,500	7,700	0.7%	50,800	4.4%
Professional and Technical Services	509,900	506,700	480,700	3,200	0.6%	29,200	6.1%
Legal Services	98,900	98,300	96,800	600	0.6%	2,100	2.2%
Accounting, Tax Preparation, and Bookkeeping	65,000	67,900	65,700	-2,900	-4.3%	-700	-1.1%
Architectural, Engineering, and Related	75,700	74,700	70,500	1,000	1.3%	5,200	7.4%
Computer Systems Design and Related	76,300	75,000	70,900	1,300	1.7%	5,400	7.6%
Management and Technical Consulting Services	92,500	91,000	85,300	1,500	1.7%	7,200	8.4%
Management of Companies and Enterprises	96,200	96,000	93,300	200	0.2%	2,900	3.1%

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Administrative and Waste Services	591,200	586,900	572,500	4,300	0.7%	18,700	3.3%
Administrative and Support Services	571,800	567,300	553,500	4,500	0.8%	18,300	3.3%
Employment Services	177,100	174,000	168,300	3,100	1.8%	8,800	5.2%
Business Support Services	87,200	88,200	85,800	-1,000	-1.1%	1,400	1.6%
Travel Arrangement and Reservation Services	26,600	26,700	26,500	-100	-0.4%	100	0.4%
Investigation and Security Services	69,800	68,500	68,100	1,300	1.9%	1,700	2.5%
Services to Buildings and Dwellings	155,200	153,100	150,300	2,100	1.4%	4,900	3.3%
Waste Management and Remediation Services	19,400	19,600	19,000	-200	-1.0%	400	2.1%
Education and Health Services	1,201,200	1,196,100	1,148,800	5,100	0.4%	52,400	4.6%
Educational Services	153,500	155,100	149,500	-1,600	-1.0%	4,000	2.7%
Elementary and Secondary Schools	55,400	55,600	51,900	-200	-0.4%	3,500	6.7%
Colleges and Universities	56,800	56,100	55,900	700	1.3%	900	1.6%
Health Care and Social Assistance	1,047,700	1,041,000	999,300	6,700	0.6%	48,400	4.8%
Ambulatory Health Care Services	452,400	448,900	431,300	3,500	0.8%	21,100	4.9%
Offices of Physicians	196,400	195,000	186,800	1,400	0.7%	9,600	5.1%
Home Health Care Services	71,000	69,900	68,500	1,100	1.6%	2,500	3.7%
Hospitals	287,500	286,000	270,700	1,500	0.5%	16,800	6.2%
Nursing and Residential Care Facilities	186,700	186,500	181,600	200	0.1%	5,100	2.8%
Nursing Care Facilities	97,600	97,700	96,100	-100	-0.1%	1,500	1.6%
Community Care for the Elderly	59,300	59,100	58,000	200	0.3%	1,300	2.2%
Social Assistance	121,100	119,600	115,700	1,500	1.3%	5,400	4.7%
Leisure and Hospitality	1,155,500	1,125,500	1,100,000	30,000	2.7%	55,500	5.1%
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	220,300	214,400	210,500	5,900	2.8%	9,800	4.7%
Amusement, Gambling, and Recreation	169,600	167,600	163,500	2,000	1.2%	6,100	3.7%
Amusement Parks and Arcades	71,500	69,600	67,600	1,900	2.7%	3,900	5.8%
Accommodation and Food Services	935,200	911,100	889,500	24,100	2.7%	45,700	5.1%
Accommodation	177,600	173,100	176,000	4,500	2.6%	1,600	0.9%
Food Services and Drinking Places	757,600	738,000	713,500	19,600	2.7%	44,100	6.2%

Source: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Current Employment Statistics Program.
Prepared by: Florida Department of Economic Opportunity, Bureau of Labor Market Statistics.

**NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT IN FLORIDA
STATEWIDE (Not Seasonally Adjusted)**

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Industry Title	March 2015	February 2015	March 2014	Change from			
				Feb 2015 to Mar 2015 Level	Percent	Mar 2014 to Mar 2015 Level	Percent
Other Services	337,100	334,700	323,200	2,400	0.7%	13,900	4.3%
Repair and Maintenance	80,900	79,200	75,300	1,700	2.2%	5,600	7.4%
Automotive Repair and Maintenance	54,800	54,000	50,300	800	1.5%	4,500	9.0%
Personal and Laundry Services	96,200	95,900	91,300	300	0.3%	4,900	5.4%
Membership Associations and Organizations	160,000	159,600	156,600	400	0.3%	3,400	2.2%
Total Government	1,107,500	1,103,200	1,098,300	4,300	0.4%	9,200	0.8%
Federal	133,300	133,200	130,500	100	0.1%	2,800	2.2%
State	214,000	213,200	211,800	800	0.4%	2,200	1.0%
Local	760,200	756,800	756,000	3,400	0.5%	4,200	0.6%

Note: Employment estimates have been rounded to the nearest hundred. Sum of detail may not equal totals due to rounding or the exclusion of certain industries from publication. All data are subject to revision.

STATE OF FLORIDA
LOCAL AREA UNEMPLOYMENT STATISTICS BY COUNTY
(NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)

COUNTY	MARCH 2015				FEBRUARY 2015				MARCH 2014			
	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOY- MENT	UNEMPLOYMENT LEVEL	RATE (%)	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOY- MENT	UNEMPLOYMENT LEVEL	RATE (%)	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOY- MENT	UNEMPLOYMENT LEVEL	RATE (%)
ALACHUA	130304	124354	5950	4.6	130715	124602	6113	4.7	131690	124685	7005	5.3
BAKER	11165	10556	609	5.5	11204	10569	635	5.7	11333	10587	746	6.6
BAY	86823	82017	4806	5.5	84563	79274	5289	6.3	88255	82704	5551	6.3
BRADFORD	10551	10014	537	5.1	10613	10065	548	5.2	10952	10314	638	5.8
BREVARD	256130	240777	15353	6.0	257576	241527	16049	6.2	260475	241315	19160	7.4
BROWARD	984265	933632	50633	5.1	991327	938930	52397	5.3	990151	929395	60756	6.1
CALHOUN	4854	4550	304	6.3	4844	4536	308	6.4	4913	4565	348	7.1
CHARLOTTE	66485	62510	3975	6.0	66676	62566	4110	6.2	68019	63366	4653	6.8
CITRUS	47894	44273	3621	7.6	48078	44207	3871	8.1	49428	45095	4333	8.8
CLAY	96720	91818	4902	5.1	97043	91935	5108	5.3	97872	92087	5785	5.9
COLLIER	164889	156961	7928	4.8	165294	157008	8286	5.0	164367	154957	9410	5.7
COLUMBIA	28502	26895	1607	5.6	28773	27100	1673	5.8	28392	26429	1963	6.9
DESOTO	12776	12018	758	5.9	12682	11895	787	6.2	13632	12690	942	6.9
DIXIE	5473	5117	356	6.5	5529	5161	368	6.7	5573	5116	457	8.2
DUVAL	454648	427971	26677	5.9	456190	428553	27637	6.1	461605	429400	32205	7.0
ESCAMBIA	138413	130586	7827	5.7	138855	130595	8260	5.9	140097	130689	9408	6.7
FLAGLER	42935	40126	2809	6.5	43061	40137	2924	6.8	43525	40069	3456	7.9
FRANKLIN	4878	4650	228	4.7	4825	4569	256	5.3	5028	4746	282	5.6
GADSDEN	18762	17421	1341	7.1	18799	17415	1384	7.4	19023	17391	1632	8.6
GILCHRIST	6724	6356	368	5.5	6727	6351	376	5.6	6772	6298	474	7.0
GLADES	4987	4678	309	6.2	5102	4783	319	6.3	5327	4951	376	7.1
GULF	6269	5952	317	5.1	6098	5760	338	5.5	6376	5967	409	6.4
HAMILTON	4408	4105	303	6.9	4341	4019	322	7.4	4602	4221	381	8.3
HARDEE	10393	9734	659	6.3	10761	10063	698	6.5	11569	10795	774	6.7
HENDRY	18196	16846	1350	7.4	18203	16777	1426	7.8	18052	16419	1633	9.0
HERNANDO	65850	61221	4629	7.0	66144	61320	4824	7.3	67100	61471	5629	8.4
HIGHLANDS	36839	34257	2582	7.0	37148	34473	2675	7.2	38002	34952	3050	8.0
HILLSBOROUGH	676341	641585	34756	5.1	678412	642368	36044	5.3	684922	643376	41546	6.1
HOLMES	6527	6107	420	6.4	6581	6133	448	6.8	7003	6523	480	6.9
INDIAN RIVER	61045	57201	3844	6.3	61528	57547	3981	6.5	63078	58052	5026	8.0
JACKSON	17705	16696	1009	5.7	17881	16793	1088	6.1	18084	16907	1177	6.5
JEFFERSON	5516	5189	327	5.9	5537	5210	327	5.9	5531	5162	369	6.7
LAFAYETTE	3169	3008	161	5.1	3185	3015	170	5.3	3465	3294	171	4.9
LAKE	138590	130971	7619	5.5	138915	130930	7985	5.7	138512	129269	9243	6.7
LEE	313995	298054	15941	5.1	316202	299701	16501	5.2	313886	294601	19285	6.1
LEON	150193	142873	7320	4.9	151043	143452	7591	5.0	150741	142361	8380	5.6
LEVY	16047	15064	983	6.1	16156	15126	1030	6.4	16496	15307	1189	7.2
LIBERTY	2710	2553	157	5.8	2723	2565	158	5.8	2796	2618	178	6.4

STATE OF FLORIDA
LOCAL AREA UNEMPLOYMENT STATISTICS BY COUNTY
(NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)

COUNTY	MARCH 2015				FEBRUARY 2015				MARCH 2014			
	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYMENT	UNEMPLOYMENT LEVEL	UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYMENT	UNEMPLOYMENT LEVEL	UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYMENT	UNEMPLOYMENT LEVEL	UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)
MADISON	7561	7077	484	6.4	7624	7108	516	6.8	7757	7150	607	7.8
MANATEE	160109	152000	8109	5.1	160941	152540	8401	5.2	161152	151702	9450	5.9
MARION	130806	122173	8633	6.6	131981	123015	8966	6.8	132015	121845	10170	7.7
MARTIN	68979	65318	3661	5.3	69312	65497	3815	5.5	69237	64864	4373	6.3
MIAMI-DADE	1307596	1227049	80547	6.2	1330686	1257125	73561	5.5	1308255	1210100	98155	7.5
MONROE	44437	42763	1674	3.8	44570	42831	1739	3.9	46086	44092	1994	4.3
NASSAU	35940	34080	1860	5.2	36087	34127	1960	5.4	36442	34220	2222	6.1
OKALOOSA	91417	87168	4249	4.6	89855	85364	4491	5.0	93049	88066	4983	5.4
OKEECHOBEE	17755	16697	1058	6.0	17784	16668	1116	6.3	18578	17245	1333	7.2
ORANGE	679381	645404	33977	5.0	680267	644743	35524	5.2	678036	637082	40954	6.0
OSCEOLA	150940	142249	8691	5.8	151142	142064	9078	6.0	150845	140341	10504	7.0
PALM BEACH	683855	650003	33852	5.0	686519	651601	34918	5.1	691336	648057	43279	6.3
PASCO	209611	197051	12560	6.0	210471	197354	13117	6.2	212836	197747	15089	7.1
PINELLAS	469923	445849	24074	5.1	471311	446274	25037	5.3	476611	447154	29457	6.2
POLK	278994	261978	17016	6.1	280362	262529	17833	6.4	283435	263096	20339	7.2
PUTNAM	27630	25417	2213	8.0	27811	25510	2301	8.3	28518	25903	2615	9.2
ST. JOHNS	106846	102555	4291	4.0	107183	102692	4491	4.2	108500	103024	5476	5.0
ST. LUCIE	129237	121330	7907	6.1	129789	121397	8392	6.5	131681	120580	11101	8.4
SANTA ROSA	72906	69475	3431	4.7	73074	69480	3594	4.9	73675	69404	4271	5.8
SARASOTA	175018	166005	9013	5.1	175859	166505	9354	5.3	176512	165808	10704	6.1
SEMINOLE	238550	226797	11753	4.9	238854	226615	12239	5.1	237978	224029	13949	5.9
SUMTER	28231	26132	2099	7.4	28388	26241	2147	7.6	28290	26015	2275	8.0
SUWANNEE	17778	16776	1002	5.6	17808	16757	1051	5.9	18112	16943	1169	6.5
TAYLOR	9182	8538	644	7.0	9201	8503	698	7.6	9583	8911	672	7.0
UNION	4429	4192	237	5.4	4479	4238	241	5.4	4811	4524	287	6.0
VOLUSIA	237705	223924	13781	5.8	238368	223998	14370	6.0	240954	224099	16855	7.0
WAKULLA	14251	13592	659	4.6	14287	13618	669	4.7	14362	13577	785	5.5
WALTON	26670	25375	1295	4.9	26261	24875	1386	5.3	27139	25664	1475	5.4
WASHINGTON	9600	9011	589	6.1	9570	8950	620	6.5	9840	9155	685	7.0
FLORIDA												
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED												
	9547000	9025000	523000	5.5	9599000	9065000	534000	5.6	9632000	8999000	634000	6.6
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED												
	9672000	9125000	548000	5.7	9705000	9155000	550000	5.7	9533000	8916000	617000	6.5
UNITED STATES												
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED												
	156318000	147635000	8682000	5.6	156213000	147118000	9095000	5.8	155627000	145090000	10537000	6.8
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED												
	156906000	148331000	8575000	5.5	157002000	148297000	8705000	5.5	156180000	145796000	10384000	6.6

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STATE OF FLORIDA
LOCAL AREA UNEMPLOYMENT STATISTICS BY METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA (MSA)
(NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)

MSA (COUNTIES)	MARCH 2015				FEBRUARY 2015				MARCH 2014			
	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOY- MENT	UNEMPLOYMENT LEVEL	UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOY- MENT	UNEMPLOYMENT LEVEL	UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOY- MENT	UNEMPLOYMENT LEVEL	UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)
CAPE CORAL-FT. MYERS (Lee)	313995	298054	15941	5.1	316202	299701	16501	5.2	313886	294601	19285	6.1
CRESTVIEW-FT. WALTON BEACH-DESTIN (Okaloosa and Walton)	118087	112543	5544	4.7	116116	110239	5877	5.1	120188	113730	6458	5.4
DELTONA-DAYTONA BEACH-ORMOND BEACH (Flagler and Volusia)	280640	264050	16590	5.9	281429	264135	17294	6.1	284479	264168	20311	7.1
GAINESVILLE (Alachua and Gilchrist)	137028	130710	6318	4.6	137442	130953	6489	4.7	138462	130983	7479	5.4
HOMOSASSA SPRINGS (Citrus)	47894	44273	3621	7.6	48078	44207	3871	8.1	49428	45095	4333	8.8
JACKSONVILLE (Baker, Clay, Duval, Nassau, and St. Johns)	705319	666980	38339	5.4	707707	667876	39831	5.6	715752	669318	46434	6.5
LAKELAND-WINTER HAVEN (Polk)	278994	261978	17016	6.1	280362	262529	17833	6.4	283435	263096	20339	7.2
MIAMI-FT. LAUDERDALE-WEST PALM BEACH (Broward, Miami-Dade, and Palm Beach)	2975716	2810684	165032	5.5	3008532	2847656	160876	5.3	2989742	2787552	202190	6.8
Ft. Lauderdale-Pompano Beach-Deerfield Beach Metropolitan Division (Broward)	984265	933632	50633	5.1	991327	938930	52397	5.3	990151	929395	60756	6.1
Miami-Miami Beach-Kendall Metropolitan Division (Miami-Dade)	1307596	1227049	80547	6.2	1330686	1257125	73561	5.5	1308255	1210100	98155	7.5
West Palm Beach-Boca Raton-Delray Beach Metropolitan Division (Palm Beach)	683855	650003	33852	5.0	686519	651601	34918	5.1	691336	648057	43279	6.3
NAPLES-IMMOKALEE-MARCO ISLAND (Collier)	164889	156961	7928	4.8	165294	157008	8286	5.0	164367	154957	9410	5.7
NORTH PORT-SARASOTA-BRADENTON (Manatee and Sarasota)	335127	318005	17122	5.1	336800	319045	17755	5.3	337664	317510	20154	6.0
OCALA (Marion)	130806	122173	8633	6.6	131981	123015	8966	6.8	132015	121845	10170	7.7
ORLANDO-KISSIMMEE-SANFORD (Lake, Orange, Osceola, and Seminole)	1207461	1145421	62040	5.1	1209178	1144352	64826	5.4	1205371	1130721	74650	6.2
PALM BAY-MELBOURNE-TITUSVILLE (Brevard)	256130	240777	15353	6.0	257576	241527	16049	6.2	260475	241315	19160	7.4
PANAMA CITY (Bay and Gulf)	93092	87969	5123	5.5	90661	85034	5627	6.2	94631	88671	5960	6.3
PENSACOLA-FERRY PASS-BRENT (Escambia and Santa Rosa)	211319	200061	11258	5.3	211929	200075	11854	5.6	213772	200093	13679	6.4
PORT ST. LUCIE (Martin and St. Lucie)	198216	186648	11568	5.8	199101	186894	12207	6.1	200918	185444	15474	7.7
PUNTA GORDA (Charlotte)	66485	62510	3975	6.0	66676	62566	4110	6.2	68019	63366	4653	6.8
SEBASTIAN-VERO BEACH (Indian River)	61045	57201	3844	6.3	61528	57547	3981	6.5	63078	58052	5026	8.0
SEBRING (Highlands)	36839	34257	2582	7.0	37148	34473	2675	7.2	38002	34952	3050	8.0
TALLAHASSEE (Gadsden, Jefferson, Leon, and Wakulla)	188722	179075	9647	5.1	189666	179695	9971	5.3	189657	178491	11166	5.9
TAMPA-ST. PETERSBURG-CLEARWATER (Hernando, Hillsborough, Pasco, and Pinellas)	1421725	1345706	76019	5.3	1426338	1347316	79022	5.5	1441469	1349748	91721	6.4
THE VILLAGES(Sumter)	28231	26132	2099	7.4	28388	26241	2147	7.6	28290	26015	2275	8.0
FLORIDA												
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED	9547000	9025000	523000	5.5	9599000	9065000	534000	5.6	9632000	8999000	634000	6.6
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED	9672000	9125000	548000	5.7	9705000	9155000	550000	5.7	9533000	8916000	617000	6.5
UNITED STATES												
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED	156318000	147635000	8682000	5.6	156213000	147118000	9095000	5.8	155627000	145090000	10537000	6.8
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED	156906000	148331000	8575000	5.5	157002000	148297000	8705000	5.5	156180000	145796000	10384000	6.6

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STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTIES RANKED BY UNEMPLOYMENT RATE
(NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)

March 2015
(Preliminary)

RELEASED 04/17/2015

UNEMPLOYMENT			UNEMPLOYMENT		
RANK	COUNTY	RATE (%)	RANK	COUNTY	RATE (%)
1	PUTNAM	8.0	36	COLUMBIA	5.6
2	CITRUS	7.6	36	SUWANNEE	5.6
3	SUMTER	7.4		UNITED STATES	5.6
3	HENDRY	7.4	38	BAY	5.5
5	GADSDEN	7.1	38	LAKE	5.5
6	HERNANDO	7.0	38	BAKER	5.5
6	TAYLOR	7.0	38	GILCHRIST	5.5
6	HIGHLANDS	7.0		FLORIDA	5.5
9	HAMILTON	6.9	42	UNION	5.4
10	MARION	6.6	43	MARTIN	5.3
11	FLAGLER	6.5	44	NASSAU	5.2
11	DIXIE	6.5	45	SARASOTA	5.1
13	HOLMES	6.4	45	BROWARD	5.1
13	MADISON	6.4	45	HILLSBOROUGH	5.1
15	HARDEE	6.3	45	PINELLAS	5.1
15	INDIAN RIVER	6.3	45	BRADFORD	5.1
15	CALHOUN	6.3	45	LAFAYETTE	5.1
18	GLADES	6.2	45	LEE	5.1
18	MIAMI-DADE	6.2	45	CLAY	5.1
20	WASHINGTON	6.1	45	MANATEE	5.1
20	LEVY	6.1	45	GULF	5.1
20	ST. LUCIE	6.1	55	ORANGE	5.0
20	POLK	6.1	55	PALM BEACH	5.0
24	BREVARD	6.0	57	SEMINOLE	4.9
24	PASCO	6.0	57	LEON	4.9
24	CHARLOTTE	6.0	57	WALTON	4.9
24	OKEECHOBEE	6.0	60	COLLIER	4.8
28	DESOTO	5.9	61	SANTA ROSA	4.7
28	JEFFERSON	5.9	61	FRANKLIN	4.7
28	DUVAL	5.9	63	OKALOOSA	4.6
31	VOLUSIA	5.8	63	WAKULLA	4.6
31	LIBERTY	5.8	63	ALACHUA	4.6
31	OSCEOLA	5.8	66	ST. JOHNS	4.0
34	JACKSON	5.7	67	MONROE	3.8
34	ESCAMBIA	5.7			

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STATE OF FLORIDA
 METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS (MSAs) AND METROPOLITAN DIVISIONS (MDs)
 RANKED BY UNEMPLOYMENT RATE
 (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)
 MARCH 2015 (PRELIMINARY)

1. Homosassa Springs MSA	7.6 %
2. The Villages MSA	7.4
3. Sebring MSA	7.0
4. Ocala MSA	6.6
5. Sebastian-Vero Beach MSA	6.3
6. Miami-Miami Beach-Kendall MD	6.2
7. Lakeland-Winter Haven MSA	6.1
8. Palm Bay-Melbourne-Titusville MSA	6.0
8. Punta Gorda MSA	6.0
10. Deltona-Daytona Beach-Ormond Beach MSA	5.9
11. Port St. Lucie MSA	5.8
United States	5.6
12. Miami-Ft. Lauderdale-West Palm Beach MSA	5.5
12. Panama City MSA	5.5
Florida	5.5
14. Jacksonville MSA	5.4
15. Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater MSA	5.3
15. Pensacola-Ferry Pass-Brent MSA	5.3
17. Ft. Lauderdale-Pompano Beach-Deerfield Beach MD	5.1
17. Orlando-Kissimmee-Sanford MSA	5.1
17. Tallahassee MSA	5.1
17. North Port-Sarasota-Bradenton MSA	5.1
17. Cape Coral-Ft. Myers MSA	5.1
22. West Palm Beach-Boca Raton-Delray Beach MD	5.0
23. Naples-Immokalee-Marco Island MSA	4.8
24. Crestview-Ft. Walton Beach-Destin MSA	4.7
25. Gainesville MSA	4.6

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TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT
FLORIDA (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

Area	March 2015	February 2015	March 2014	Over-the-Month Change		Over-the-Year Change	
				Level	Percent	Level	Percent
Statewide	8,084,100	8,016,900	7,791,400	67,200	0.8%	292,700	3.8%
Cape Coral-Ft. Myers MSA	241,900	241,600	232,600	300	0.1%	9,300	4.0%
Crestview-Ft. Walton Beach-Destin MSA	106,500	103,400	104,400	3,100	3.0%	2,100	2.0%
Deltona-Daytona Beach-Ormond Beach MSA	188,600	187,200	183,200	1,400	0.8%	5,400	3.0%
Ft. Lauderdale-Pompano Beach-Deerfield Beach MD	798,900	797,700	770,000	1,200	0.2%	28,900	3.8%
Gainesville MSA	136,100	135,600	131,800	500	0.4%	4,300	3.3%
Homosassa Springs MSA	33,000	32,700	32,600	300	0.9%	400	1.2%
Jacksonville MSA	634,400	630,100	617,700	4,300	0.7%	16,700	2.7%
Lakeland-Winter Haven MSA	208,000	207,300	202,600	700	0.3%	5,400	2.7%
Miami-Fort Lauderdale-West Palm Beach MSA	2,505,100	2,491,000	2,413,300	14,100	0.6%	91,800	3.8%
Miami-Miami Beach-Kendall MD	1,123,100	1,113,900	1,080,800	9,200	0.8%	42,300	3.9%
Naples-Immokalee-Marco Island MSA	139,000	137,900	132,100	1,100	0.8%	6,900	5.2%
North Port-Sarasota-Bradenton MSA	278,500	276,800	268,900	1,700	0.6%	9,600	3.6%
Ocala MSA	97,900	98,000	94,500	-100	-0.1%	3,400	3.6%
Orlando-Kissimmee-Sanford MSA	1,150,900	1,139,900	1,100,700	11,000	1.0%	50,200	4.6%
Palm Bay-Melbourne-Titusville MSA	202,600	201,600	196,900	1,000	0.5%	5,700	2.9%
Panama City MSA	82,400	78,600	80,500	3,800	4.8%	1,900	2.4%
Pensacola-Ferry Pass-Brent MSA	167,800	166,400	162,300	1,400	0.8%	5,500	3.4%
Port St. Lucie MSA	136,800	135,600	130,900	1,200	0.9%	5,900	4.5%
Punta Gorda MSA	45,100	44,900	44,600	200	0.5%	500	1.1%
Sebastian-Vero Beach MSA	48,600	48,500	47,800	100	0.2%	800	1.7%
Sebring MSA	25,900	25,900	25,100	0	0.0%	800	3.2%
Tallahassee MSA	177,100	176,700	171,100	400	0.2%	6,000	3.5%
Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater MSA	1,234,700	1,225,700	1,200,200	9,000	0.7%	34,500	2.9%
The Villages MSA	26,200	26,200	25,400	0	0.0%	800	3.2%
West Palm Beach-Boca Raton-Delray Beach MD	583,100	579,400	562,500	3,700	0.6%	20,600	3.7%

Note: Employment estimates have been rounded to the nearest hundred. Sum of detail may not equal totals due to rounding or the exclusion of certain industries from publication. All data are subject to revision. Released April 17, 2015.