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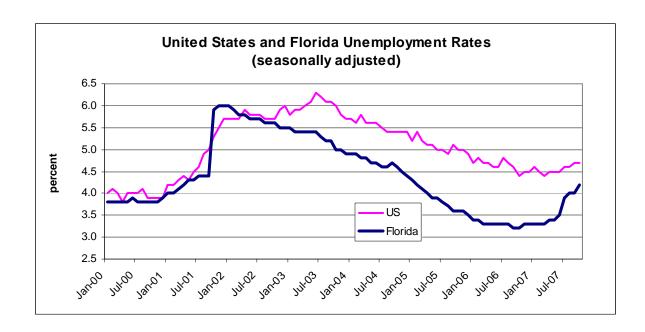
Florida's Unemployment Rate Increases, Remains Below National Average

~ State job growth rate remains above national rate~

TALLAHASSEE – Florida's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate increased in October 2007 by 0.2 percentage point from last month, to 4.2 percent, representing 393,000 jobless out of a labor force of 9,273,000. The national unemployment rate was 4.7 percent in October 2007, which was 0.5 percentage point higher than Florida's current rate. Florida continues to have the lowest unemployment rate of the ten most populous states, based on the latest nationwide data, and has been below the national average since mid-2002.

Florida's nonagricultural employment growth rate was 1.4 percent in October, representing 111,000 new jobs over the year, which was higher than the national job growth rate of 1.2 percent for October. Nonagricultural employment in October increased to a total of 8,147,000 jobs from the September total of 8,137,300. Based on the latest nationwide data, Florida ranked third in job growth among the ten most populous states, behind only Texas and California.

"Florida remains the fourth most populous state in the nation and continues to rank third highest in job growth nationally, relative to our population," said Monesia T. Brown, Director of the Agency for Workforce Innovation. "Based on the November 2007 *Site Selection* Magazine, Florida's business climate is among the top 10 in the nation."



Florida's Nonagricultural Employment by Industry (Seasonally Adjusted)

- Florida added 111,000 jobs since October 2006. Leisure and hospitality (+32,300 jobs, +3.5 percent) and education and health services (+31,100 jobs, +3.2 percent) accounted for 57 percent of the new jobs in the state.
- Professional and business services ranked third among Florida's major industries in job growth, expanding by 27,800 jobs over the year (+2.1 percent).
- Government increased by 18,400 jobs over October 2006 levels (+1.7 percent). Local government accounted for the increase in government employment.
- Construction employment, reacting to declines in the housing market, lost 21,900 jobs over the year (-3.4 percent). It was the first time since 1992 that the state has experienced eight consecutive months of over-the-year declines in construction jobs.
- Manufacturing (-4,900 jobs, -1.2 percent) and information (-4,000 jobs, -2.4 percent) continued to have over-the-year declines, mainly due to weakness in computer and electronic product manufacturing and publishing.

Local Area Unemployment Statistics (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

- In October 2007, Walton County had the state's lowest unemployment rate (2.5 percent), followed by Liberty County (2.7 percent), Lafayette County (2.8 percent), and Alachua County (2.9 percent). Leon, Monroe, Okaloosa, and Wakulla counties followed, with unemployment rates of 3.0 percent each.
- Hendry County, at 8.5 percent, had the highest unemployment rate in Florida in October, followed by St. Lucie County (6.6 percent), Indian River County (6.5 percent), Charlotte County (6.0 percent), and Hernando County (5.9 percent). Hendry County's relatively high unemployment rate was due to seasonal declines in agriculture and related industries.

Area Nonagricultural Employment by Industry (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

• The Miami-Ft. Lauderdale-Pompano Beach Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) led the state in over-the-year employment gains (+31,700 jobs, +1.3 percent) in October 2007, followed by the Orlando-Kissimmee MSA (+22,000 jobs, +2.0 percent) and the Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater MSA (+16,700 jobs, +1.3 percent). The combined employment growth in these three MSAs accounted for 64 percent of the total job growth in the state.

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LABOR FORCE STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN NONINSTITUTIONAL POPULATION RELEASE DATE: NOVEMBER 16, 2007

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

				Over-the	e-Month	Over-th	e-Year
	Current Month	Month Ago	Year Ago	Cha	nge	Cha	nge
	October 2007	September 2007	October 2006	Level Percent		Level	Percent
		STATE OF	FLORIDA				
Civilian Noninstitutional							
Population 16+	14,544,000	14,522,000	14,302,000	22,000	0.2	242,000	1.7
Civilian Labor Force	9,273,000	9,270,000	9,073,000	3,000	**	200,000	2.2
Employment	8,880,000	8,897,000	8,778,000	-17,000	-0.2	102,000	1.2
Unemployment	393,000	373,000	295,000	20,000	5.4	98,000	33.2
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.2	4.0	3.2	0.2		1.0	
		UNITED	SIAIES				
Civilian Noninstitutional							
Population 16+	232,715,000	232,461,000	229,675,000	254,000	0.1	3,040,000	1.3
Civilian Labor Force	153,253,000	153,464,000	152,052,000	-211,000	-0.1	1,201,000	0.8
Employment	146,007,000	146,257,000	145,337,000	-250,000	-0.2	670,000	0.5
Unemployment	7,245,000	7,207,000	6,715,000	38,000	0.5	530,000	7.9
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.7	4.7	4.4	0.0		0.3	

NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

				Over-the	e-Month	Over-th	ne-Year
	Current Month	Month Ago	Year Ago	Cha	inge	Cha	inge
	October 2007	September 2007	October 2006	Level	Percent	Level	Percent
		STATE OF	FLORIDA				
Civilian Noninstitutional							
Population 16+	14,544,000	14,522,000	14,302,000	22,000	0.2	242,000	1.7
Civilian Labor Force	9,290,000	9,297,000	9,113,000	-7,000	-0.1	177,000	1.9
Employment	8,893,000	8,901,000	8,823,000	-8,000	-0.1	70,000	0.8
Unemployment	397,000	396,000	290,000	1,000	0.3	107,000	36.9
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.3	4.3	3.2	0.0		1.1	
		UNITED S	STATES				
Civilian Noninstitutional							
Population 16+	232,715,000	232,461,000	229,675,000	254,000	0.1	3,040,000	1.3
Civilian Labor Force	153,516,000	153,400,000	152,397,000	116,000	0.1	1,119,000	0.7
Employment	146,743,000	146,448,000	146,125,000	295,000	0.2	618,000	0.4
Unemployment	6,773,000	6,952,000	6,272,000	-179,000	-2.6	501,000	8.0
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.4	4.5	4.1	-0.1		0.3	

^{** =} Less than 0.05 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.

Nonagricultural Employment in Florida Seasonally Adjusted (in thousands)

	October ^p	•		Over-the Cha	nge	Over-th Chai	nge
	2007	2007	2006	Level	Percent	Level	Percent
Total Nonagricultural Employment	8,147.0	8,137.3	8,036.0	9.7	0.1	111.0	1.4
Construction	613.7	615.0	635.6	-1.3	-0.2	-21.9	-3.4
Manufacturing	394.0		398.9	-2.5	-0.6	-4.9	-1.2
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	1,612.9		1,597.9	-4.3	-0.3	15.0	0.9
Wholesale Trade	357.8	357.3	348.6	0.5	0.1	9.2	2.6
Retail Trade	1,010.7	1,015.9	1,006.9	-5.2	-0.5	3.8	0.4
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	244.4	244.0	242.4	0.4	0.2	2.0	0.8
Information	163.8	164.4	167.8	-0.6	-0.4	-4.0	-2.4
Financial Activities	557.4	550.8	547.0	6.6	1.2	10.4	1.9
Finance and Insurance	376.7	373.8	368.2	2.9	0.8	8.5	2.3
Real Estate, Rental, and Leasing	180.7	177.0	178.8	3.7	2.1	1.9	1.1
Professional and Business Services	1,373.3	1,365.1	1,345.5	8.2	0.6	27.8	2.1
Education and Health Services	1,009.1	1,008.5	978.0	0.6	0.1	31.1	3.2
Educational Services	130.8	132.5	124.8	-1.7	-1.3	6.0	4.8
Health Care and Social Assistance	878.3	876.0	853.2	2.3	0.3	25.1	2.9
Leisure and Hospitality	943.0	938.9	910.7	4.1	0.4	32.3	3.5
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	186.4	185.6	174.8	0.8	0.4	11.6	6.6
Accommodation and Food Services	756.6		735.9	3.3	0.4	20.7	2.8
Other Services	350.9	350.1	344.0	0.8	0.2	6.9	2.0
Total Government	1,122.6		1,104.2	-1.9	-0.2	18.4	1.7
Local Government	782.7	781.3	764.4	1.4	0.2	18.3	2.4

^p = preliminary, ^r = revised

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^{* =} less than 0.1

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	October	September	r October	Sep 2007 to	Change	e from Oct 2006 to	Oct 2007
Industry Title	2007	2007	2006	Level	Percent	Level	Percent
Total Nonagricultural Employment	8,148,900	8,104,900	8,038,300	44,000	0.5%	110,600	1.4%
Total Private	7,004,700	6,969,800	6,912,900	34,900	0.5%	91,800	1.3%
Goods Producing	1,015,600	1,016,300	1,042,700	-700	-0.1%	-27,100	-2.6%
Natural Resources and Mining	6,300	6,300	6,400	0	0.0%	-100	-1.6%
Mining, except Oil and Gas	3,700	3,700	3,900	0	0.0%	-200	-5.1%
Construction	615,900	614,300	637,900	1,600	0.3%	-22,000	-3.4%
Construction of Buildings	131,500	132,400	135,300	-900	-0.7%	-3,800	-2.8%
Heavy and Civil Engineering Construction	76,500	76,100	78,000	400	0.5%	-1,500	-1.9%
Specialty Trade Contractors	407,900	405,800	424,600	2,100	0.5%	-16,700	-3.9%
Building Equipment Contractors	161,700	162,600	165,800	-900	-0.6%	-4,100	-2.5%
Manufacturing	393,400	395,700	398,400	-2,300	-0.6%	-5,000	-1.3%
Durable Goods	271,200	273,600	273,500	-2,400	-0.9%	-2,300	-0.8%
Fabricated Metal Product Manufacturing	42,800	42,300	41,300	500	1.2%	1,500	3.6%
Computer and Electronic Product Manufacturing	47,400	47,800	49,700	-400	-0.8%	-2,300	-4.6%
Communications Equipment Manufacturing	10,000	10,000	10,400	0	0.0%	-400	-3.8%
Transportation Equipment Manufacturing	45,100	45,200	42,800	-100	-0.2%	2,300	5.4%
Aerospace Product and Parts Manufacturing	19,000	19,300	18,400	-300	-1.6%	600	3.3%
Miscellaneous Durable Goods Manufacturing	29,200	29,200	30,000	0	0.0%	-800	-2.7%
Nondurable Goods	122,200	122,100	124,900	100	0.1%	-2,700	-2.2%
Food Manufacturing	29,400	29,100	30,200	300	1.0%	-800	-2.6%
Beverage and Tobacco Product Manufacturing	10,700	10,600	10,900	100	0.9%	-200	-1.8%
Paper Manufacturing	10,100	10,000	10,400	100	1.0%	-300	-2.9%
Printing and Related Support Activities	22,700	22,600	23,100	100	0.4%	-400	-1.7%
Chemical Manufacturing	18,800	19,100	19,000	-300	-1.6%	-200	-1.1%

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Industry Title	October 2007	September 2007	October 2006	Sep 2007 to Level	Oct 2007 Percent	Oct 2006 to Level	Percent
Service Providing	7,133,300	7,088,600	6,995,600	44,700	0.6%	137,700	2.0%
Private Service Providing	5,989,100	5,953,500	5,870,200	35,600	0.6%	118,900	2.0%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	1,607,700	1,603,100	1,592,700	4,600	0.3%	15,000	0.9%
Wholesale Trade	357,800	356,600	348,600	1,200	0.3%	9,200	2.6%
Merchant Wholesalers, Durable Goods	192,800	191,900	187,300	900	0.5%	5,500	2.99
Commercial Equipment Wholesalers	49,100	48,800	46,600	300	0.6%	2,500	5.49
Electronic Goods Wholesalers	23,100	23,000	22,800	100	0.4%	300	1.39
Machinery and Supply Wholesalers	35,400	35,300	35,000	100	0.3%	400	1.1
Merchant Wholesalers, Nondurable Goods	122,300	•	121,100	-800	-0.6%	1,200	1.0
Grocery and Related Product Wholesalers	44,300	44,100	42,800	200	0.5%	1,500	3.5
Wholesale Electronic Markets and Agents	42,700	41,600	40,200	1,100	2.6%	2,500	6.2
Retail Trade	1,005,300	1,002,700	1,001,600	2,600	0.3%	3,700	0.4
Motor Vehicle and Parts Dealers	136,800	137,400	135,800	-600	-0.4%	1,000	0.7
Automobile Dealers	88,600	88,700	89,300	-100	-0.1%	-700	-0.8
Furniture and Home Furnishings Stores	45,500	45,600	45,100	-100	-0.2%	400	0.9
Electronics and Appliance Stores	39,600	38,400	37,700	1,200	3.1%	1,900	5.0
Building Material and Garden Supply Stores	86,100	87,100	89,900	-1,000	-1.1%	-3,800	-4.2
Food and Beverage Stores	193,900	193,600	194,200	300	0.2%	-300	-0.2
Health and Personal Care Stores	67,500	68,000	68,300	-500	-0.7%	-800	-1.2
Gasoline Stations	42,000	42,000	40,100	0	0.0%	1,900	4.7
Clothing and Accessory Stores	104,100		99,700	900	0.9%	4,400	4.4
Sporting Goods, Hobby, Book, and Music Stores	33,900	34,100	33,700	-200	-0.6%	200	0.6
General Merchandise Stores	177,600		177,500	2,300	1.3%	100	0.1
Department Stores	75,700	75,300	78,400	400	0.5%	-2,700	-3.4
Other General Merchandise Stores	101,900	100,000	99,100	1,900	1.9%	2,800	2.8
Miscellaneous Store Retailers	57,100		57,500	500	0.9%	-400	-0.7
Nonstore Retailers	21,200	21,400	22,100	-200	-0.9%	-900	-4.1
Electronic Shopping and Mail-Order Houses	13,500	13,600	14,300	-100	-0.7%	-800	-5.6
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	244,600	243,800	242,500	800	0.3%	2,100	0.9
Utilities	24,700	24,700	24,300	0	0.0%	400	1.6

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Industry Title	2007	2007	2006	Level	Percent	Level	Percent 0.8%
Transportation and Warehousing	219,900	219,100	218,200	800	0.4%	1,700	
Air Transportation	28,400	28,200	29,400	200	0.7%	-1,000	-3.4%
Water Transportation	12,300	12,300	11,900	0	0.0%	400	3.4%
Truck Transportation	49,600	50,100	48,600	-500	-1.0%	1,000	2.1%
Support Activities for Transportation	48,100	47,400	46,900	700	1.5%	1,200	2.6%
Couriers and Messengers	30,900	30,900	31,000	0	0.0%	-100	-0.3%
Warehousing and Storage	27,700	27,700	27,800	0	0.0%	-100	-0.4%
Information	163,600	163,600	167,600	0	0.0%	-4,000	-2.4%
Publishing Industries, except Internet	41,900	42,100	43,700	-200	-0.5%	-1,800	-4.1%
Broadcasting, except Internet	18,400	18,400	19,000	0	0.0%	-600	-3.2%
Telecommunications	63,300	63,100	64,100	200	0.3%	-800	-1.2%
Wired Telecommunications Carriers	32,500	32,500	33,100	0	0.0%	-600	-1.8%
Internet Service Providers and Data Processing	24,500	24,600	24,600	-100	-0.4%	-100	-0.4%
Financial Activities	556,300	550,700	545,900	5,600	1.0%	10,400	1.9%
Finance and Insurance	376,600	374,200	368,100	2,400	0.6%	8,500	2.3%
Credit Intermediation and Related Activities	197,700	196,700	190,300	1,000	0.5%	7,400	3.9%
Depository Credit Intermediation	110,000	109,300	104,200	700	0.6%	5,800	5.6%
Insurance Carriers and Related Activities	135,500	134,700	135,400	800	0.6%	100	0.1%
Insurance Carriers	73,000	72,800	74,700	200	0.3%	-1,700	-2.3%
Insurance Agencies, Brokerages, and Related	62,500	61,900	60,700	600	1.0%	1,800	3.0%
Real Estate, Rental, and Leasing	179,700	176,500	177,800	3,200	1.8%	1,900	1.1%
Real Estate	132,600	130,800	130,600	1,800	1.4%	2,000	1.5%
Professional and Business Services	1,371,900	1,362,200	1,344,300	9,700	0.7%	27,600	2.1%
Professional and Technical Services	463,700	460,400	448,800	3,300	0.7%	14,900	3.3%
Legal Services	91,400	89,800	91,400	1,600	1.8%	0	0.0%
Accounting, Tax Preparation, and Bookkeeping	52,300	51,900	50,800	400	0.8%	1,500	3.0%
Architectural, Engineering, and Related	97,900	97,000	93,300	900	0.9%	4,600	4.9%
Computer Systems Design and Related	59,300	59,300	57,400	0	0.0%	1,900	3.3%
Management, Scientific, and Technical	68,500	68,700	65,900	-200	-0.3%	2,600	3.9%
Management of Companies and Enterprises	75,300	74,600	73,400	700	0.9%	1,900	2.6%

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	October	September	October	Sep 2007 to	Change	e from Oct 2006 to	Oct 2007
Industry Title	2007	2007	2006	Level	Percent	Level	Percent
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Administrative and Waste Services	832,900	827,200	822,100	5,700	0.7%	10,800	1.3%
Administrative and Support Services	812,000	806,400	802,500	5,600	0.7%	9,500	1.2%
Employment Services	457,800	452,500	447,100	5,300	1.2%	10,700	2.4%
Business Support Services	61,500	60,700	61,200	800	1.3%	300	0.5%
Travel Arrangement and Reservation Services	29,900	29,700	29,800	200	0.7%	100	0.3%
Investigation and Security Services	57,600	57,300	58,200	300	0.5%	-600	-1.0%
Services to Buildings and Dwellings	141,100	141,800	139,100	-700	-0.5%	2,000	1.4%
Waste Management and Remediation Services	20,900	20,800	19,600	100	0.5%	1,300	6.6%
Education and Health Services	1,015,200	1,009,100	983,900	6,100	0.6%	31,300	3.2%
Educational Services	134,400	132,800	128,200	1,600	1.2%	6,200	4.8%
Elementary and Secondary Schools	45,500	45,400	44,200	100	0.2%	1,300	2.9%
Colleges and Universities	53,000	51,600	49,900	1,400	2.7%	3,100	6.2%
Health Care and Social Assistance	880,800	876,300	855,700	4,500	0.5%	25,100	2.9%
Ambulatory Health Care Services	367,900	364,400	353,200	3,500	1.0%	14,700	4.2%
Offices of Physicians	169,200	167,200	159,800	2,000	1.2%	9,400	5.9%
Home Health Care Services	56,100	55,100	52,800	1,000	1.8%	3,300	6.3%
Hospitals	250,100	249,100	241,900	1,000	0.4%	8,200	3.4%
Nursing and Residential Care Facilities	158,600	159,000	156,900	-400	-0.3%	1,700	1.1%
Nursing Care Facilities	87,000	86,700	85,700	300	0.3%	1,300	1.5%
Community Care for the Elderly	42,000	42,100	41,700	-100	-0.2%	300	0.7%
Social Assistance	104,200	103,800	103,700	400	0.4%	500	0.5%
Leisure and Hospitality	924,900	917,200	893,200	7,700	0.8%	31,700	3.5%
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	182,600	179,200	171,200	3,400	1.9%	11,400	6.7%
Amusement, Gambling, and Recreation	142,100	139,800	137,000	2,300	1.6%	5,100	3.7%
Amusement Parks and Arcades	57,400	56,700	55,800	700	1.2%	1,600	2.9%
Accommodation and Food Services	742,300	738,000	722,000	4,300	0.6%	20,300	2.8%
Accommodation	155,900	156,600	152,700	-700	-0.4%	3,200	2.1%
Food Services and Drinking Places	586,400	581,400	569,300	5,000	0.9%	17,100	3.0%

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	October	September	October	Sep 2007 to	Oct 2007	Oct 2006 to	Oct 2007			
Industry Title	2007	2007	2006	Level	Percent	Level	Percent			
Other Comings	240 500	247.000	242.000	4.000	0.50/	C 000	2.00/			
Other Services	349,500	347,600	342,600	1,900	0.5%	6,900	2.0%			
Repair and Maintenance	79,100	79,900	77,100	-800	-1.0%	2,000	2.6%			
Automotive Repair and Maintenance	55,400	56,000	53,900	-600	-1.1%	1,500	2.8%			
Personal and Laundry Services	78,000	76,900	77,700	1,100	1.4%	300	0.4%			
Membership Associations and Organizations	192,400	190,800	187,800	1,600	0.8%	4,600	2.4%			
Total Government	1,144,200	1,135,100	1,125,400	9,100	0.8%	18,800	1.7%			
Federal	125,300	125,200	127,500	100	0.1%	-2,200	-1.7%			
State	219,100	216,900	216,800	2,200	1.0%	2,300	1.1%			
Local	799,800	793,000	781,100	6,800	0.9%	18,700	2.4%			

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

OCTOBER 2007					SEPTEMBER 2007				OCTOBER 2006			
	LABOR	EMPLOY-	UNEMPLOYMENT		LABOR	EMPLOY-	UNEMPL	OYMENT.	LABOR	EMPLOY-	UNEMPL	OYMENT
COUNTY	FORCE	MENT	LEVEL	RATE (%)	FORCE	MENT	LEVEL	RATE (%)	FORCE	MENT	LEVEL	RATE (%)
ALACHUA	127840	124158	3682	2.9	127436	123762	3674	2.9	127519	124466	3053	2.4
BAKER	11798	11382	416	3.5	11815	11372	443	3.7	11544	11255	289	2.5
BAY	87417	84258	3159	3.6	87504	84410	3094	3.5	85937	83590	2347	2.7
BRADFORD	12526	12115	411	3.3	12568	12140	428	3.4	12295	11971	324	2.6
BREVARD	264303	252280	12023	4.5	266773	254833	11940	4.5	263084	254560	8524	3.2
BROWARD	994564	956733	37831	3.8	1000771	962905	37866	3.8	983230	954800	28430	2.9
CALHOUN	5504	5308	196	3.6	5501	5302	199	3.6	5449	5287	162	3.0
CHARLOTTE	70717	66484	4233	6.0	70885	66686	4199	5.9	68899	66543	2356	3.4
CITRUS	58148	55249	2899	5.0	58492	55539	2953	5.0	55589	53633	1956	3.5
CLAY	91922	88573	3349	3.6	91709	88498	3211	3.5	90138	87587	2551	2.8
COLLIER	158255	150117	8138	5.1	157684	149301	8383	5.3	154661	149683	4978	3.2
COLUMBIA	30977	29867	1110	3.6	31299	30176	1123	3.6	30117	29182	935	3.1
DESOTO	14932	14072	860	5.8	15093	14212	881	5.8	13924	13355	569	4.1
DIXIE	5935	5704	231	3.9	6001	5765	236	3.9	5819	5638	181	3.1
DUVAL	446724	428442	18282	4.1	446325	428076	18249	4.1	437977	423669	14308	3.3
ESCAMBIA	139250	133617	5633	4.0	139430	133942	5488	3.9	137724	133625	4099	3.0
FLAGLER	34625	32604	2021	5.8	34895	32890	2005	5.7	32491	31132	1359	4.2
FRANKLIN	5265	5100	165	3.1	5349	5190	159	3.0	5204	5063	141	2.7
GADSDEN	21645	20670	975	4.5	21617	20665	952	4.4	21148	20461	687	3.2
GILCHRIST	7831	7507	324	4.1	7791	7483	308	4.0	7744	7526	218	2.8
GLADES	4668	4434	234	5.0	4671	4400	271	5.8	4535	4343	192	4.2
GULF	6879	6637	242	3.5	6993	6757	236	3.4	6740	6545	195	2.9
HAMILTON	4802	4584	218	4.5	4816	4624	192	4.0	4754	4575	179	3.8
HARDEE	12987	12323	664	5.1	12655	11954	701	5.5	12223	11724	499	4.1
HENDRY	18589	17006	1583	8.5	18333	16519	1814	9.9	17503	16359	1144	6.5
HERNANDO	62276	58577	3699	5.9	62510	58890	3620	5.8	60927	58428	2499	4.1
HIGHLANDS	43010	40807	2203	5.1	43133	40883	2250	5.2	40959	39427	1532	3.7
HILLSBOROUGH	617745	592101	25644	4.2	620729	595265	25464	4.1	608763	590590	18173	3.0
HOLMES	9207	8879	328	3.6	9350	9025	325	3.5	8898	8655	243	2.7
INDIAN RIVER	61193	57236	3957	6.5	61597	57292	4305	7.0	59810	57203	2607	4.4
JACKSON	22027	21220	807	3.7	22111	21266	845	3.8	22197	21421	776	3.5
JEFFERSON	7155	6927	228	3.2	7161	6925	236	3.3	7045	6856	189	2.7
LAFAYETTE	2904	2822	82	2.8	2930	2848	82	2.8	2926	2847	79	2.7
LAKE	128509	122890	5619	4.4	128959	123235	5724	4.4	125659	121657	4002	3.2
LEE	295446	279681	15765	5.3	295730	280386	15344	5.2	287685	279526	8159	2.8
LEON	144367	139989	4378	3.0	144395	139960	4435	3.1	142185	138573	3612	2.5
LEVY	17601	16879	722	4.1	17584	16865	719	4.1	17256	16726	530	3.1
LIBERTY	3843	3741	102	2.7	3867	3758	109	2.8	3673	3585	88	2.4

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OCTOBER 2007					SEPTEMBE	R 2007			OCTOBER 2006			
	LABOR	EMPLOY-	UNEMPL	OYMENT	LABOR	EMPLOY-	UNEMPL	OYMENT	LABOR	EMPLOY-	UNEMPL	OYMENT
COUNTY	FORCE	MENT	LEVEL	RATE (%)	FORCE	MENT	LEVEL	RATE (%)	FORCE	MENT	LEVEL	RATE (%)
MADISON	7114	6729	385	5.4	7136	6740	396	5.5	7489	6974	515	6.9
MANATEE	157693	151056	6637	4.2	157491	150940	6551	4.2	157222	152820	4402	2.8
MARION	137339	130722	6617	4.8	137188	130633	6555	4.8	134425	130119	4306	3.2
MARTIN	67986	64844	3142	4.6	67713	64577	3136	4.6	66505	64280	2225	3.3
MIAMI-DADE	1210543	1159052	51491	4.3	1192579	1143368	49211	4.1	1176851	1131882	44969	3.8
MONROE	42937	41646	1291	3.0	43277	41967	1310	3.0	43792	42750	1042	2.4
NASSAU	34693	33489	1204	3.5	34643	33460	1183	3.4	34021	33116	905	2.7
OKALOOSA	100987	97980	3007	3.0	102094	99148	2946	2.9	99394	97129	2265	2.3
OKEECHOBEE	18302	17245	1057	5.8	18439	17287	1152	6.2	17707	16954	753	4.3
ORANGE	599487	576389	23098	3.9	601260	578008	23252	3.9	587441	570606	16835	2.9
OSCEOLA	126783	120896	5887	4.6	126946	121236	5710	4.5	123857	119683	4174	3.4
PALM BEACH	649381	619180	30201	4.7	650548	619539	31009	4.8	634900	612813	22087	3.5
PASCO	193065	183277	9788	5.1	194049	184256	9793	5.0	189657	182809	6848	3.6
PINELLAS	490059	470140	19919	4.1	492309	472652	19657	4.0	483196	468940	14256	3.0
POLK	276020	263118	12902	4.7	278180	264756	13424	4.8	272605	263216	9389	3.4
PUTNAM	32163	30596	1567	4.9	32438	30894	1544	4.8	31725	30608	1117	3.5
ST. JOHNS	88775	85706	3069	3.5	88676	85632	3044	3.4	87003	84751	2252	2.6
ST. LUCIE	120192	112293	7899	6.6	120090	111830	8260	6.9	116373	111315	5058	4.3
SANTA ROSA	69054	66589	2465	3.6	69237	66750	2487	3.6	68584	66592	1992	2.9
SARASOTA	185962	176932	9030	4.9	185700	176797	8903	4.8	184552	179000	5552	3.0
SEMINOLE	245764	236822	8942	3.6	246515	237487	9028	3.7	240812	234446	6366	2.6
SUMTER	34763	33693	1070	3.1	34658	33588	1070	3.1	30578	29821	757	2.5
SUWANNEE	17594	16943	651	3.7	17643	16975	668	3.8	17250	16741	509	3.0
TAYLOR	9108	8730	378	4.2	9220	8849	371	4.0	8770	8444	326	3.7
UNION	5294	5131	163	3.1	5355	5187	168	3.1	5220	5095	125	2.4
VOLUSIA	254445	243521	10924	4.3	255488	244626	10862	4.3	251921	244096	7825	3.1
WAKULLA	15142	14692	450	3.0	15114	14689	425	2.8	14909	14544	365	2.4
WALTON	35483	34596	887	2.5	36125	35269	856	2.4	32308	31682	626	1.9
WASHINGTON	10050	9662	388	3.9	10121	9745	376	3.7	9805	9514	291	3.0
FLORIDA												
NOT SEASONA	LLY ADJUS	TED										
	9290000	8893000	397000	4.3	9297000	8901000	396000	4.3	9113000	8823000	290000	3.2
SEASONALLY A	ADJUSTED											
	9273000	8880000	393000	4.2	9270000	8897000	373000	4.0	9073000	8778000	295000	3.2
UNITED STATES												
	NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED											
		146743000	6773000	4.4	153400000	146448000	6952000	4.5	152397000	146125000	6272000	4.1
SEASONALLY A												
		146007000	7245000	4.7	153464000	146257000	7207000	4.7	152052000	145337000	6715000	4.4
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STATE OF FLORIDA LOCAL AREA UNEMPLOYMENT STATISTICS BY METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA (MSA) (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)

OCTOBER 2007			SEPTEMBER 2007				OCTOBER 2006					
	LABOR	EMPLOY-		OYMENT	LABOR	EMPLOY-		OYMENT	LABOR	EMPLOY-		OYMENT.
MSA (COUNTIES)	FORCE	MENT	LEVEL	RATE (%)	FORCE	MENT	LEVEL	RATE (%)	FORCE	MENT	LEVEL	RATE (%)
CAPE CORAL-FT. I	295446	279681	15765		295730	280386	15344	5.2	287685	279526	8159	2.8
DELTONA-DAYTON	NA BEACH-(254445	ORMOND BE 243521	EACH (Vol 10924	usia) 4.3	255488	244626	10862	4.3	251921	244096	7825	3.1
FT. WALTON BEAC	CH-CRESTV	IEW-DESTIN	l (Okaloos	a)								
GAINESVILLE (Alac	100987 chua and Gil	97980 (christ)	3007	3.0	102094	99148	2946	2.9	99394	97129	2265	2.3
`	135671	131665	4006		135227	131245	3982	2.9	135263	131992	3271	2.4
JACKSONVILLE (B	aker, Clay, L 673913	Duval, Nassa 647592	u, and St. 26321	Johns) 3.9	673169	647038	26131	3.9	660682	640377	20305	3.1
LAKELAND (Polk)	276020	262119	12902	17	279190	264756	12/12/	4.8	272605	262216	0390	2.4
MIAMI-FT. LAUDER	276020 RDALE-POM	263118 IPANO BEAC			278180 Dade_and Pa	264756 alm Beach)	13424	4.6	272605	263216	9389	3.4
WII/ WII T T. E/ (ODE)	2854488	2734965	119523	-		2725812	118086	4.2	2794981	2699495	95486	3.4
Ft. Lauderdale-Pom	pano Beach	-Deerfield Be	each Metro			rd)						
Miami-Miami Beach	994564	956733	37831	3.8	1000771	962905	37866	3.8	983230	954800	28430	2.9
IVIIaitii-IVIIaitii Deacii	1210543	1159052	51491	4.3	1192579	1143368	49211	4.1	1176851	1131882	44969	3.8
West Palm Beach-B		•	•		. `	,						
NAPLES-MARCO IS	649381 SLAND (Coll	619180 lier)	30201	4.7	650548	619539	31009	4.8	634900	612813	22087	3.5
	158255	150117	8138	5.1	157684	149301	8383	5.3	154661	149683	4978	3.2
OCALA (Marion)	137339	130722	6617	4.8	137188	130633	6555	4.8	134425	130119	4306	3.2
ORLANDO-KISSIMI	•	-			1402600	1050066	40744	4.0	1077760	1046202	24277	2.0
PALM BAY-MELBO	1100543 URNE-TITU	1056997 ISVILLE (Bre	43546 vard)	4.0	1103680	1059966	43714	4.0	1077769	1046392	31377	2.9
	264303	252280	12023	4.5	266773	254833	11940	4.5	263084	254560	8524	3.2
PALM COAST (Flag	gler) 34625	32604	2021	5.8	34895	32890	2005	5.7	32491	31132	1359	4.2
PANAMA CITY-LYN	IN HAVEN (Bay)		3.0		32030					1000	
PENSACOLA-FERF	87417 RY PASS-BE	84258 RENT (Escan	3159 nhia and S	3.6 Santa Rosa	87504	84410	3094	3.5	85937	83590	2347	2.7
1 2110/1002/11 2111	208304	200206	8098	3.9	208667	200692	7975	3.8	206308	200217	6091	3.0
PORT ST. LUCIE (N		,										
PUNTA GORDA (CI	188178 harlotte)	177137	11041	5.9	187803	176407	11396	6.1	182878	175595	7283	4.0
•	70717	66484	4233	6.0	70885	66686	4199	5.9	68899	66543	2356	3.4
SARASOTA-BRADE	ENTON-VEN 343655	NICE (Manate 327988	ee and Sai 15667	rasota) 4.6	343191	327737	15454	4.5	341774	331820	9954	2.9
SEBASTIAN-VERO	BEACH (Inc	dian River)										
TALLAHASSEE (Ga	61193 adsden Jeffe	57236 erson Leon	3957 and Waku	6.5	61597	57292	4305	7.0	59810	57203	2607	4.4
TALEATINGOLL (GC	188309	182278	6031	3.2	188288	182240	6048	3.2	185288	180434	4854	2.6
TAMPA-ST. PETER	SBURG-CL 1363144	EARWATER 1304095	(Hernand 59049	•	ough, Pasco, 1369598	and Pinellas) 1311064		4.2	1242542	1300766	41776	3.1
	1303144	1304093	59049	4.3	1309396	1311004	58534	4.3	1342542	1300700	41776	3.1
FLORIDA												
NOT SEASONAL	LLY ADJUS	TED										
SEASONALLY A	9290000	8893000	397000	4.3	9297000	8901000	396000	4.3	9113000	8823000	290000	3.2
OLAGONALLI A	9273000	8880000	393000	4.2	9270000	8897000	373000	4.0	9073000	8778000	295000	3.2
UNITED STATES												
NOT SEASONAL	I Y ADIIIS	TED										
	153516000	146743000	6773000	4.4	153400000	146448000	6952000	4.5	152397000	146125000	6272000	4.1
SEASONALLY A		146007000	7245000	47	153464000	146257000	7207000	47	152052000	145337000	6715000	4.4
	. 3020000	. 10001000	0000	7.7	.00.10-1000	. 10201000	. 20,000	7.1	.02002000	. 10001 000	3. 13000	7.7

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

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		UNEMPLOYMENT			UNEMPLOYMENT
RANK	COUNTY	RATE (%)	RANK	COUNTY	RATE (%)
1	HENDRY	8.5	34	LEVY	4.1
2	ST. LUCIE	6.6	35	DUVAL	4.1
3	INDIAN RIVER	6.5	36	PINELLAS	4.1
4	CHARLOTTE	6.0	37	ESCAMBIA	4.0
5	HERNANDO	5.9	38	DIXIE	3.9
6	FLAGLER	5.8	39	WASHINGTON	3.9
7	OKEECHOBEE	5.8	40	ORANGE	3.9
8	DESOTO	5.8	41	BROWARD	3.8
9	MADISON	5.4	42	SUWANNEE	3.7
10	LEE	5.3	43	JACKSON	3.7
11	COLLIER	5.1	44	CLAY	3.6
12	HIGHLANDS	5.1	45	SEMINOLE	3.6
13	HARDEE	5.1	46	BAY	3.6
14	PASCO	5.1	47	COLUMBIA	3.6
15	GLADES	5.0	48	SANTA ROSA	3.6
16	CITRUS	5.0	49	HOLMES	3.6
17	PUTNAM	4.9	50	CALHOUN	3.6
18	SARASOTA	4.9	51	BAKER	3.5
19	MARION	4.8	52	GULF	3.5
20	POLK	4.7	53	NASSAU	3.5
21	PALM BEACH	4.7	54	ST. JOHNS	3.5
22	OSCEOLA	4.6	55	BRADFORD	3.3
23	MARTIN	4.6	56	JEFFERSON	3.2
24	BREVARD	4.5	57	FRANKLIN	3.1
25	HAMILTON	4.5	58	UNION	3.1
26	GADSDEN	4.5	59	SUMTER	3.1
27	LAKE	4.4	60	LEON	3.0
	UNITED STATES	4.4	61	MONROE	3.0
28	VOLUSIA	4.3	62	OKALOOSA	3.0
29	MIAMI-DADE	4.3	63	WAKULLA	3.0
	FLORIDA	4.3	64	ALACHUA	2.9
30	MANATEE	4.2	65	LAFAYETTE	2.8
31	HILLSBOROUGH	4.2	66	LIBERTY	2.7
32	TAYLOR	4.2	67	WALTON	2.5
33	GILCHRIST	4.1			

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METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS (MSAs) AND METROPOLITAN DIVISIONS (MDs) RANKED BY UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED) OCTOBER 2007

1.	Sebastian-Vero Beach MSA	6.5 %
2.	Punta Gorda MSA	6.0
3.	Port St. Lucie MSA	5.9
4.	Palm Coast MSA	5.8
5.	Cape Coral-Ft. Myers MSA	5.3
6.	Naples-Marco Island MSA	5.1
7.	Ocala MSA	4.8
8.	Lakeland MSA	4.7
9.	West Palm Beach-Boca Raton-Boynton Beach MD	4.7
10.	Sarasota-Bradenton-Venice MSA	4.6
11.	Palm Bay-Melbourne-Titusville MSA	4.5
	United States	4.4
12.	Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater MSA	4.3
13.	Deltona-Daytona Beach-Ormond Beach MSA	4.3
14.	Miami-Miami Beach-Kendall MD	4.3
	Florida	4.3
15.	Miami-Ft. Lauderdale-Pompano Beach MSA	4.2
16.	Orlando-Kissimmee MSA	4.0
17.	Jacksonville MSA	3.9
18.	Pensacola-Ferry Pass-Brent MSA	3.9
19.	Ft. Lauderdale-Pompano Beach-Deerfield Beach MD	3.8
20.	Panama City-Lynn Haven MSA	3.6
21.	Tallahassee MSA	3.2
22.	Ft. Walton Beach-Crestview-Destin MSA	3.0
23.	Gainesville MSA	3.0

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TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT FLORIDA (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

	October	September	October	Over-the-Month Change		Over-the-Year Change	
Area	2007	2007	2006	Level	Percent	Level	Percent
Statewide	8,148,900	8,104,900	8,038,300	+44,000	+0.5%	+110,600	+1.4%
Cape Coral-Ft. Myers MSA	236,800	235,200	234,500	+1,600	+0.7%	+2,300	+1.0%
Deltona-Daytona Beach-Ormond Beach MSA	176,600	176,500	176,000	+100	+0.1%	+600	+0.3%
Ft. Lauderdale-Pompano Beach-Deerfield Beach MD	794,200	790,400	784,900	+3,800	+0.5%	+9,300	+1.2%
Ft. Walton Beach-Crestview-Destin MSA	88,700	88,800	87,600	-100	-0.1%	+1,100	+1.3%
Gainesville MSA	136,300	135,500	135,600	+800	+0.6%	+700	+0.5%
Jacksonville MSA	642,000	636,300	629,800	+5,700	+0.9%	+12,200	+1.9%
Lakeland MSA	223,000	222,200	221,400	+800	+0.4%	+1,600	+0.7%
Miami-Ft. Lauderdale-Pompano Beach MSA	2,455,800	2,443,100	2,424,100	+12,700	+0.5%	+31,700	+1.3%
Miami-Miami Beach-Kendall MD	1,067,700	1,061,300	1,057,000	+6,400	+0.6%	+10,700	+1.0%
Naples-Marco Island MSA	136,200	134,800	134,800	+1,400	+1.0%	+1,400	+1.0%
Ocala MSA	107,400	106,700	106,400	+700	+0.7%	+1,000	+0.9%
Orlando-Kissimmee MSA	1,113,600	1,105,700	1,091,600	+7,900	+0.7%	+22,000	+2.0%
Palm Bay-Melbourne-Titusville MSA	214,900	215,700	215,500	-800	-0.4%	-600	-0.3%
Panama City-Lynn Haven MSA	78,000	78,100	76,900	-100	-0.1%	+1,100	+1.4%
Pensacola-Ferry Pass-Brent MSA	174,200	174,000	172,800	+200	+0.1%	+1,400	+0.8%
Port St. Lucie MSA	135,200	133,800	133,000	+1,400	+1.0%	+2,200	+1.7%
Punta Gorda MSA	44,900	44,700	44,700	+200	+0.4%	+200	+0.4%
Sarasota-Bradenton-Venice MSA	308,700	306,900	309,400	+1,800	+0.6%	-700	-0.2%
Sebastian-Vero Beach MSA	48,600	48,500	48,500	+100	+0.2%	+100	+0.2%
Tallahassee MSA	182,000	181,100	178,500	+900	+0.5%	+3,500	+2.0%
Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater MSA	1,331,300	1,326,800	1,314,600	+4,500	+0.3%	+16,700	+1.3%
West Palm Beach-Boca Raton-Boynton Beach MD	593,900	591,400	582,200	+2,500	+0.4%	+11,700	+2.0%

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 November 16, 2007.