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Florida's Unemployment Rate Equals National Rate

~Job growth continues in education, health, leisure and hospitality~

TALLAHASSEE – Florida's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for May 2008 is 5.5 percent. This represents 512,000 jobless out of a labor force of 9,261,000. The unemployment rate is up 0.5 percentage point from the revised April rate of 5.0 and is up 1.6 percentage points over the year. Florida's May 2008 unemployment rate is the highest since January 2003 which was also 5.5 percent. The state's unemployment rate is equal to the national unemployment rate of 5.5 percent.

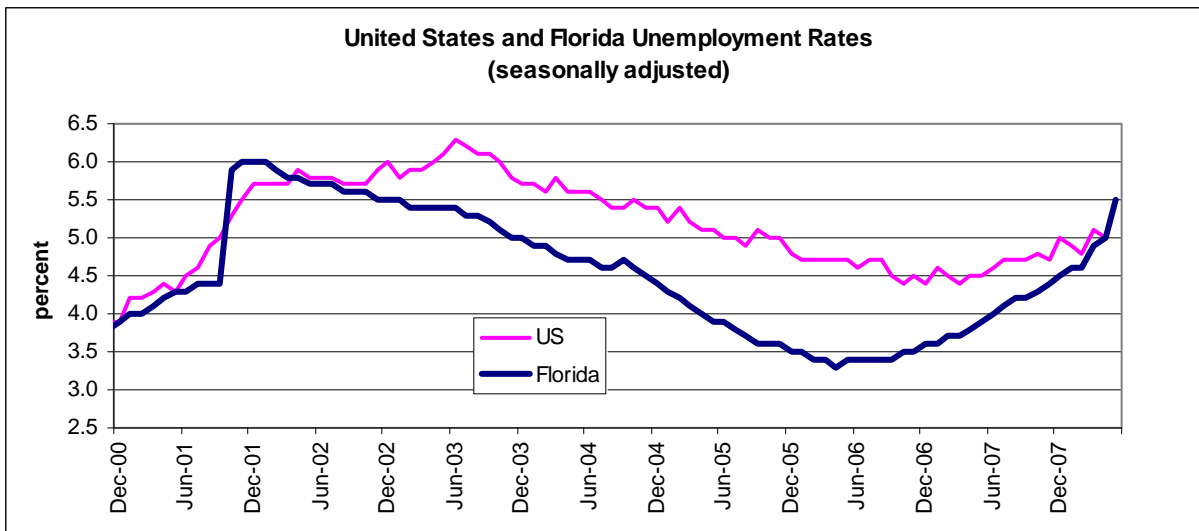
Florida's nonagricultural employment growth rate for May 2008 is -0.9 percent. The rate represents a loss of 74,700 jobs over the year to reach a total employment level of 7,975,900. This is slower than the national job growth rate for May which is +0.2 percent over the year. The May 2008 job growth rate of -0.9 percent continues the trend of negative over-the-year growth that began in September 2007, primarily due to declines in construction.

"Our Agency, with the help of the Governor and our partners, is determined to continue providing the essential support necessary for the growing number of job seeking Floridians," said Monesia T. Brown, Director of the Agency for Workforce Innovation. "Strengthening families through a commitment to education and workforce support is at the forefront of our priorities."

The Agency for Workforce Innovation works closely with Workforce Florida, Inc. and its Regional Workforce Board partners, the Florida Chamber of Commerce and Enterprise Florida, Inc. to develop world-class talent and sustain personal and economic growth for Florida's employers and job seekers. These programs include the Short Time Compensation Program, a voluntary employer program designed to help employers maintain their workforce by offsetting the cost of full-time wages, instead of temporarily laying off employees; the Quick Response Training Program, providing customized training for new or expanding businesses; and the Incumbent and Employed Worker Training Programs, offering upgrade skills training for existing full-time employees.

In addition, the Employ Florida Marketplace, www.EmployFlorida.com, is a powerful online labor market exchange tool specifically designed for employers, job seekers, students, training providers, workforce customer service representatives and professionals, and others seeking benefits and services.

For more information on these and other Agency for Workforce Innovation programs, go to www.FloridaJobs.org.



Source: Florida Agency for Workforce Innovation, Labor Market Statistics Center, Local Area Unemployment Statistics program.

Florida's Nonagricultural Employment by Industry (Seasonally Adjusted)

- The number of jobs in Florida is down 74,700 in May 2008 compared to a year ago. Construction, reacting to declines in the housing market, lost 77,200 jobs over the year (-12.7 percent). Construction losses account for 54 percent of job losses in the state.
- Manufacturing (-23,900 jobs, -6.1 percent); professional and business services (-18,100 jobs, -1.4 percent); trade, transportation, and utilities (-12,500 jobs, -0.8 percent); financial activities (-6,100 jobs, -1.1 percent); and information (-4,500 jobs, -2.8 percent) have over-the-year declines. These declines are due to weakness in fabricated metal product manufacturing; employment services; building material and garden supply stores; real estate, rental and leasing; and publishing.
- Education and health services (+35,200 jobs, +3.5 percent) and leisure and hospitality (+16,400 jobs, +1.8 percent) account for the majority of job gains among those industries with positive annual growth.
- Total government ranks third among Florida's major industries in job growth, expanding by 15,600 jobs over the year (+1.4 percent). The largest gains are in local government.

Local Area Unemployment Statistics (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

- In May 2008, Walton County has the state's lowest unemployment rate (3.3 percent), followed by Sumter County (3.6 percent) and Liberty and Monroe counties (3.7 percent each). Alachua and Okaloosa counties follow, with unemployment rates of 3.8 percent each. Franklin, Lafayette, and Wakulla counties have the fifth lowest unemployment rates (3.9 percent each).
- Flagler County, at 8.3 percent, has the highest unemployment rate in Florida in May, followed by Hendry County (8.0 percent); St. Lucie County (7.6 percent); Charlotte and Hernando counties (7.4 percent each); and Indian River County (7.2 percent). Many of these relatively high unemployment rates are due mainly to declines in the housing market.

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Area Nonagricultural Employment by Industry (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

- The Orlando-Kissimmee Metropolitan Statistical Area leads the state in over-the-year employment gains (+2,900 jobs, +0.3 percent) in May 2008, followed by the Gainesville Metropolitan Statistical Area (+1,400 jobs, +1.0 percent). Metro areas with the largest annual declines in jobs include Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater (-20,300 jobs, -1.5 percent) and Miami-Ft. Lauderdale-Pompano Beach (-16,500 jobs, -0.7 percent).

Note:

These unemployment and job growth rates are estimates, which are primarily based on surveys created and mandated by the US Bureau of Labor Statistics in cooperation with the Florida Agency for Workforce Innovation.

The unemployment rate is derived from Florida household surveys conducted by the US Census Bureau under contract with the US Bureau of Labor Statistics. The job growth rate is derived from Florida employer surveys conducted by the US 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 Unemployment Compensation tax records and other data.

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LABOR FORCE STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN NONINSTITUTIONAL POPULATION
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SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

	Current Month May 2008	Month Ago April 2008	Year Ago May 2007	Over-the-Month Change		Over-the-Year Change	
				Level	Percent	Level	Percent
STATE OF FLORIDA							
Civilian Noninstitutional Population 16+	14,492,000	14,480,000	14,332,000	12,000	0.1	160,000	1.1
Civilian Labor Force	9,261,000	9,230,000	9,122,000	31,000	0.3	139,000	1.5
Employment	8,749,000	8,772,000	8,768,000	-23,000	-0.3	-19,000	-0.2
Unemployment	512,000	459,000	353,000	53,000	11.5	159,000	45.0
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.5	5.0	3.9	0.5	--	1.6	--

UNITED STATES

Civilian Noninstitutional Population 16+	233,405,000	233,198,000	231,480,000	207,000	0.1	1,925,000	0.8
Civilian Labor Force	154,534,000	153,957,000	152,776,000	577,000	0.4	1,758,000	1.2
Employment	146,046,000	146,331,000	145,913,000	-285,000	-0.2	133,000	0.1
Unemployment	8,487,000	7,626,000	6,863,000	861,000	11.3	1,624,000	23.7
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.5	5.0	4.5	0.5	--	1.0	--

NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

	Current Month May 2008	Month Ago April 2008	Year Ago May 2007	Over-the-Month Change		Over-the-Year Change	
				Level	Percent	Level	Percent
STATE OF FLORIDA							
Civilian Noninstitutional Population 16+	14,492,000	14,480,000	14,332,000	12,000	0.1	160,000	1.1
Civilian Labor Force	9,257,000	9,183,000	9,119,000	74,000	0.8	138,000	1.5
Employment	8,768,000	8,749,000	8,797,000	19,000	0.2	-29,000	-0.3
Unemployment	489,000	434,000	322,000	55,000	12.7	167,000	51.9
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.3	4.7	3.5	0.6	--	1.8	--

UNITED STATES

Civilian Noninstitutional Population 16+	233,405,000	233,198,000	231,480,000	207,000	0.1	1,925,000	0.8
Civilian Labor Force	154,003,000	153,208,000	152,350,000	795,000	0.5	1,653,000	1.1
Employment	145,926,000	145,921,000	145,864,000	5,000	**	62,000	**
Unemployment	8,076,000	7,287,000	6,486,000	789,000	10.8	1,590,000	24.5
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.2	4.8	4.3	0.4	--	0.9	--

** = 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.

Source: Florida Agency for Workforce Innovation, Labor Market Statistics Center, Local Area Unemployment Statistics Program, in cooperation with the U.S Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

**Nonagricultural Employment in Florida
Seasonally Adjusted (in thousands)**

	May ^P 2008	April ^r 2008	May 2007	Over-the-Month Change		Over-the-Year Change	
				Level	Percent	Level	Percent
Total Nonagricultural Employment	7,975.9	7,981.9	8,050.6	-6.0	-0.1	-74.7	-0.9
Construction	528.7	527.1	605.9	1.6	0.3	-77.2	-12.7
Manufacturing	367.9	371.5	391.8	-3.6	-1.0	-23.9	-6.1
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	1,600.7	1,605.8	1,613.2	-5.1	-0.3	-12.5	-0.8
Wholesale Trade	359.8	360.2	357.0	-0.4	-0.1	2.8	0.8
Retail Trade	996.0	1,001.3	1,010.9	-5.3	-0.5	-14.9	-1.5
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	244.9	244.3	245.3	0.6	0.2	-0.4	-0.2
Information	157.9	158.4	162.4	-0.5	-0.3	-4.5	-2.8
Financial Activities	536.4	535.8	542.5	0.6	0.1	-6.1	-1.1
Finance and Insurance	366.8	365.1	369.5	1.7	0.5	-2.7	-0.7
Real Estate, Rental, and Leasing	169.6	170.7	173.0	-1.1	-0.6	-3.4	-2.0
Professional and Business Services	1,309.9	1,312.4	1,328.0	-2.5	-0.2	-18.1	-1.4
Education and Health Services	1,038.2	1,034.7	1,003.0	3.5	0.3	35.2	3.5
Educational Services	138.7	138.0	131.5	0.7	0.5	7.2	5.5
Health Care and Social Assistance	899.5	896.7	871.5	2.8	0.3	28.0	3.2
Leisure and Hospitality	947.5	947.2	931.1	0.3	*	16.4	1.8
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	185.6	186.0	181.2	-0.4	-0.2	4.4	2.4
Accommodation and Food Services	761.9	761.2	749.9	0.7	0.1	12.0	1.6
Other Services	343.6	344.0	342.9	-0.4	-0.1	0.7	0.2
Total Government	1,138.7	1,138.6	1,123.1	0.1	*	15.6	1.4
Local Government	791.4	791.6	781.7	-0.2	*	9.7	1.2

^P = preliminary, ^r = revised

* = less than 0.1

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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Source: Florida Agency for Workforce Innovation, Labor Market Statistics Center, Current Employment Statistics Program in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

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

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Industry Title	May 2008	April 2008	May 2007	Change from			
				April 2008 to May 2008 Level	Percent	May 2007 to May 2008 Level	Percent
Total Nonagricultural Employment	8,007,600	8,030,200	8,096,000	-22,600	-0.3%	-88,400	-1.1%
Total Private	6,857,800	6,872,400	6,960,000	-14,600	-0.2%	-102,200	-1.5%
Goods Producing	904,300	905,700	1,007,100	-1,400	-0.2%	-102,800	-10.2%
Natural Resources and Mining	6,400	6,400	6,700	0	0.0%	-300	-4.5%
Mining, except Oil and Gas	3,800	3,800	4,200	0	0.0%	-400	-9.5%
Construction	529,400	527,800	606,900	1,600	0.3%	-77,500	-12.8%
Construction of Buildings	112,200	111,400	130,100	800	0.7%	-17,900	-13.8%
Heavy and Civil Engineering Construction	72,000	72,400	76,100	-400	-0.6%	-4,100	-5.4%
Specialty Trade Contractors	345,200	344,000	400,700	1,200	0.3%	-55,500	-13.9%
Building Equipment Contractors	150,600	149,700	157,800	900	0.6%	-7,200	-4.6%
Manufacturing	368,500	371,500	393,500	-3,000	-0.8%	-25,000	-6.4%
Durable Goods	247,400	250,600	265,800	-3,200	-1.3%	-18,400	-6.9%
Fabricated Metal Product Manufacturing	37,100	38,000	40,000	-900	-2.4%	-2,900	-7.3%
Computer and Electronic Product Manufacturing	47,300	47,200	48,700	100	0.2%	-1,400	-2.9%
Communications Equipment Manufacturing	8,400	8,400	8,900	0	0.0%	-500	-5.6%
Transportation Equipment Manufacturing	43,300	43,300	44,800	0	0.0%	-1,500	-3.3%
Aerospace Product and Parts Manufacturing	19,600	19,400	19,600	200	1.0%	0	0.0%
Miscellaneous Durable Goods Manufacturing	29,800	29,900	29,900	-100	-0.3%	-100	-0.3%
Nondurable Goods	121,100	120,900	127,700	200	0.2%	-6,600	-5.2%
Food Manufacturing	31,500	31,600	31,100	-100	-0.3%	400	1.3%
Beverage and Tobacco Product Manufacturing	10,900	10,900	11,200	0	0.0%	-300	-2.7%
Paper Manufacturing	9,900	9,900	10,300	0	0.0%	-400	-3.9%
Printing and Related Support Activities	22,500	22,600	24,100	-100	-0.4%	-1,600	-6.6%
Chemical Manufacturing	19,100	19,200	20,400	-100	-0.5%	-1,300	-6.4%

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Industry Title	May 2008	April 2008	May 2007	Change from			
				April 2008 to Level	May 2008 Percent	May 2007 to Level	May 2008 Percent
Service Providing	7,103,300	7,124,500	7,088,900	-21,200	-0.3%	14,400	0.2%
Private Service Providing	5,953,500	5,966,700	5,952,900	-13,200	-0.2%	600	0.0%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	1,596,600	1,604,100	1,611,600	-7,500	-0.5%	-15,000	-0.9%
Wholesale Trade	360,900	360,600	358,600	300	0.1%	2,300	0.6%
Merchant Wholesalers, Durable Goods	186,400	187,300	188,800	-900	-0.5%	-2,400	-1.3%
Commercial Equipment Wholesalers	48,100	48,700	47,000	-600	-1.2%	1,100	2.3%
Electronic Goods Wholesalers	23,500	23,400	24,200	100	0.4%	-700	-2.9%
Machinery and Supply Wholesalers	34,800	34,800	34,900	0	0.0%	-100	-0.3%
Merchant Wholesalers, Nondurable Goods	125,800	124,800	124,600	1,000	0.8%	1,200	1.0%
Grocery and Related Product Wholesalers	46,900	47,200	45,800	-300	-0.6%	1,100	2.4%
Wholesale Electronic Markets and Agents	48,700	48,500	45,200	200	0.4%	3,500	7.7%
Retail Trade	992,000	999,000	1,007,500	-7,000	-0.7%	-15,500	-1.5%
Motor Vehicle and Parts Dealers	132,200	132,900	136,000	-700	-0.5%	-3,800	-2.8%
Automobile Dealers	86,000	86,400	88,200	-400	-0.5%	-2,200	-2.5%
Furniture and Home Furnishings Stores	42,300	42,700	43,600	-400	-0.9%	-1,300	-3.0%
Electronics and Appliance Stores	34,900	35,000	35,900	-100	-0.3%	-1,000	-2.8%
Building Material and Garden Supply Stores	81,100	81,500	85,600	-400	-0.5%	-4,500	-5.3%
Food and Beverage Stores	191,200	192,300	195,500	-1,100	-0.6%	-4,300	-2.2%
Health and Personal Care Stores	69,900	69,400	69,900	500	0.7%	0	0.0%
Gasoline Stations	39,800	39,700	40,300	100	0.3%	-500	-1.2%
Clothing and Accessory Stores	110,200	112,100	105,300	-1,900	-1.7%	4,900	4.7%
Sporting Goods, Hobby, Book, and Music Stores	34,600	34,600	34,800	0	0.0%	-200	-0.6%
General Merchandise Stores	180,600	182,900	184,600	-2,300	-1.3%	-4,000	-2.2%
Department Stores	79,000	80,400	80,500	-1,400	-1.7%	-1,500	-1.9%
Other General Merchandise Stores	101,600	102,500	104,100	-900	-0.9%	-2,500	-2.4%
Miscellaneous Store Retailers	53,300	53,800	53,900	-500	-0.9%	-600	-1.1%
Nonstore Retailers	21,900	22,100	22,100	-200	-0.9%	-200	-0.9%
Electronic Shopping and Mail-Order Houses	13,800	13,800	14,200	0	0.0%	-400	-2.8%
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	243,700	244,500	245,500	-800	-0.3%	-1,800	-0.7%
Utilities	23,500	23,500	23,600	0	0.0%	-100	-0.4%

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Transportation and Warehousing	220,200	221,000	221,900	-800	-0.4%	-1,700	-0.8%
Air Transportation	30,400	30,100	31,000	300	1.0%	-600	-1.9%
Water Transportation	12,700	12,600	12,500	100	0.8%	200	1.6%
Truck Transportation	48,200	47,700	49,300	500	1.0%	-1,100	-2.2%
Support Activities for Transportation	47,700	48,500	46,800	-800	-1.6%	900	1.9%
Couriers and Messengers	28,800	29,000	30,400	-200	-0.7%	-1,600	-5.3%
Warehousing and Storage	28,300	28,400	28,600	-100	-0.4%	-300	-1.0%
Information	158,300	158,300	162,800	0	0.0%	-4,500	-2.8%
Publishing Industries, except Internet	42,400	42,200	43,700	200	0.5%	-1,300	-3.0%
Broadcasting, except Internet	15,800	15,900	15,600	-100	-0.6%	200	1.3%
Telecommunications	64,400	64,400	64,800	0	0.0%	-400	-0.6%
Wired Telecommunications Carriers	48,200	48,200	48,900	0	0.0%	-700	-1.4%
Internet Service Providers and Data Processing	18,700	19,000	18,800	-300	-1.6%	-100	-0.5%
Financial Activities	537,700	537,300	543,600	400	0.1%	-5,900	-1.1%
Finance and Insurance	367,600	365,500	369,700	2,100	0.6%	-2,100	-0.6%
Credit Intermediation and Related Activities	187,200	186,300	190,100	900	0.5%	-2,900	-1.5%
Depository Credit Intermediation	106,300	106,100	105,000	200	0.2%	1,300	1.2%
Insurance Carriers and Related Activities	136,400	136,100	136,000	300	0.2%	400	0.3%
Insurance Carriers	73,800	73,700	74,200	100	0.1%	-400	-0.5%
Insurance Agencies, Brokerages, and Related	62,600	62,400	61,800	200	0.3%	800	1.3%
Real Estate, Rental, and Leasing	170,100	171,800	173,900	-1,700	-1.0%	-3,800	-2.2%
Real Estate	125,700	126,700	126,300	-1,000	-0.8%	-600	-0.5%
Professional and Business Services	1,311,400	1,316,400	1,334,800	-5,000	-0.4%	-23,400	-1.8%
Professional and Technical Services	453,800	460,900	450,200	-7,100	-1.5%	3,600	0.8%
Legal Services	89,000	89,300	91,200	-300	-0.3%	-2,200	-2.4%
Accounting, Tax Preparation, and Bookkeeping	51,300	60,800	51,000	-9,500	-15.6%	300	0.6%
Architectural, Engineering, and Related	89,700	90,200	92,100	-500	-0.6%	-2,400	-2.6%
Computer Systems Design and Related	63,000	62,600	60,500	400	0.6%	2,500	4.1%
Management, Scientific, and Technical	66,000	65,500	65,300	500	0.8%	700	1.1%
Management of Companies and Enterprises	78,700	78,400	79,000	300	0.4%	-300	-0.4%

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Industry Title	May 2008	April 2008	May 2007	Change from			
				April 2008 to May 2008 Level	Percent	May 2007 to May 2008 Level	Percent
Administrative and Waste Services	778,900	777,100	805,600	1,800	0.2%	-26,700	-3.3%
Administrative and Support Services	758,100	756,400	785,400	1,700	0.2%	-27,300	-3.5%
Employment Services	383,800	387,800	415,300	-4,000	-1.0%	-31,500	-7.6%
Business Support Services	60,000	60,500	63,900	-500	-0.8%	-3,900	-6.1%
Travel Arrangement and Reservation Services	31,700	31,300	31,200	400	1.3%	500	1.6%
Investigation and Security Services	64,700	64,200	63,300	500	0.8%	1,400	2.2%
Services to Buildings and Dwellings	139,300	138,000	141,200	1,300	0.9%	-1,900	-1.3%
Waste Management and Remediation Services	20,800	20,700	20,200	100	0.5%	600	3.0%
Education and Health Services	1,042,000	1,036,700	1,007,400	5,300	0.5%	34,600	3.4%
Educational Services	140,400	141,100	133,100	-700	-0.5%	7,300	5.5%
Elementary and Secondary Schools	49,200	48,800	46,300	400	0.8%	2,900	6.3%
Colleges and Universities	50,600	53,000	49,200	-2,400	-4.5%	1,400	2.8%
Health Care and Social Assistance	901,600	895,600	874,300	6,000	0.7%	27,300	3.1%
Ambulatory Health Care Services	367,500	362,300	358,300	5,200	1.4%	9,200	2.6%
Offices of Physicians	165,000	165,100	162,000	-100	-0.1%	3,000	1.9%
Home Health Care Services	54,500	54,100	53,500	400	0.7%	1,000	1.9%
Hospitals	252,200	252,900	241,700	-700	-0.3%	10,500	4.3%
Nursing and Residential Care Facilities	167,300	165,500	162,800	1,800	1.1%	4,500	2.8%
Nursing Care Facilities	93,700	92,900	90,500	800	0.9%	3,200	3.5%
Community Care for the Elderly	44,000	43,700	42,700	300	0.7%	1,300	3.0%
Social Assistance	114,600	114,900	111,500	-300	-0.3%	3,100	2.8%
Leisure and Hospitality	962,200	969,800	947,500	-7,600	-0.8%	14,700	1.6%
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	187,600	191,400	183,500	-3,800	-2.0%	4,100	2.2%
Amusement, Gambling, and Recreation	147,000	149,500	143,600	-2,500	-1.7%	3,400	2.4%
Amusement Parks and Arcades	60,400	59,400	55,700	1,000	1.7%	4,700	8.4%
Accommodation and Food Services	774,600	778,400	764,000	-3,800	-0.5%	10,600	1.4%
Accommodation	166,400	168,100	161,600	-1,700	-1.0%	4,800	3.0%
Food Services and Drinking Places	608,200	610,300	602,400	-2,100	-0.3%	5,800	1.0%

Source: Florida Agency for Workforce Innovation, Labor Market Statistics Center, Current Employment Statistics Program (in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics).

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

Released June 20, 2008

Industry Title	May 2008	April 2008	May 2007	Change from			
				April 2008 to May 2008 Level	April 2008 to May 2008 Percent	May 2007 to May 2008 Level	May 2007 to May 2008 Percent
Other Services	345,300	344,100	345,200	1,200	0.3%	100	0.0%
Repair and Maintenance	73,800	73,800	76,600	0	0.0%	-2,800	-3.7%
Automotive Repair and Maintenance	52,500	52,200	52,900	300	0.6%	-400	-0.8%
Personal and Laundry Services	80,600	81,300	83,100	-700	-0.9%	-2,500	-3.0%
Membership Associations and Organizations	190,900	189,000	185,500	1,900	1.0%	5,400	2.9%
Total Government	1,149,800	1,157,800	1,136,000	-8,000	-0.7%	13,800	1.2%
Federal	131,100	131,500	127,700	-400	-0.3%	3,400	2.7%
State	211,400	218,300	212,000	-6,900	-3.2%	-600	-0.3%
Local	807,300	808,000	796,300	-700	-0.1%	11,000	1.4%

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	MAY 2008				APRIL 2008				MAY 2007			
	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOY- MENT	UNEMPLOYMENT LEVEL	UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOY- MENT	UNEMPLOYMENT LEVEL	UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOY- MENT	UNEMPLOYMENT LEVEL	UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)
ALACHUA	129580	124692	4888	3.8	130240	126355	3885	3.0	125914	122503	3411	2.7
BAKER	11966	11341	625	5.2	11784	11255	529	4.5	11733	11329	404	3.4
BAY	86719	82853	3866	4.5	85753	82261	3492	4.1	86653	83942	2711	3.1
BRADFORD	12627	12115	512	4.1	12486	12049	437	3.5	12277	11888	389	3.2
BREVARD	264916	249946	14970	5.7	262192	248827	13365	5.1	260333	249896	10437	4.0
BROWARD	1001280	953406	47874	4.8	991385	949873	41512	4.2	990037	958563	31474	3.2
CALHOUN	5520	5243	277	5.0	5435	5199	236	4.3	5457	5270	187	3.4
CHARLOTTE	68372	63322	5050	7.4	68147	63463	4684	6.9	68220	65180	3040	4.5
CITRUS	59803	55874	3929	6.6	58886	55429	3457	5.9	55832	53448	2384	4.3
CLAY	94436	89849	4587	4.9	93081	89168	3913	4.2	92689	89755	2934	3.2
COLLIER	150325	141703	8622	5.7	150641	143276	7365	4.9	152739	147564	5175	3.4
COLUMBIA	32583	31028	1555	4.8	32236	30942	1294	4.0	30754	29768	986	3.2
DESOTO	14709	13886	823	5.6	14616	13920	696	4.8	14165	13632	533	3.8
DIXIE	5828	5477	351	6.0	5764	5452	312	5.4	5493	5291	202	3.7
DUVAL	444812	421451	23361	5.3	438910	418257	20653	4.7	436887	421010	15877	3.6
ESCAMBIA	141359	134247	7112	5.0	139999	133957	6042	4.3	138248	133335	4913	3.6
FLAGLER	31616	28983	2633	8.3	31101	28732	2369	7.6	30653	28901	1752	5.7
FRANKLIN	5010	4814	196	3.9	4954	4786	168	3.4	4959	4821	138	2.8
GADSDEN	21232	20181	1051	5.0	21388	20478	910	4.3	20963	20195	768	3.7
GILCHRIST	8005	7641	364	4.5	8052	7743	309	3.8	7758	7507	251	3.2
GLADES	4729	4479	250	5.3	4690	4484	206	4.4	4688	4479	209	4.5
GULF	6566	6248	318	4.8	6434	6149	285	4.4	6381	6168	213	3.3
HAMILTON	4617	4344	273	5.9	4492	4253	239	5.3	4562	4363	199	4.4
HARDEE	13016	12463	553	4.2	12765	12295	470	3.7	12234	11854	380	3.1
HENDRY	18718	17229	1489	8.0	18536	17375	1161	6.3	17992	16948	1044	5.8
HERNANDO	63346	58672	4674	7.4	62854	58675	4179	6.6	62570	59406	3164	5.1
HIGHLANDS	42552	40121	2431	5.7	42216	40090	2126	5.0	40848	39345	1503	3.7
HILLSBOROUGH	613942	580802	33140	5.4	609931	580836	29095	4.8	609308	588066	21242	3.5
HOLMES	9198	8796	402	4.4	9008	8653	355	3.9	8791	8512	279	3.2
INDIAN RIVER	61243	56839	4404	7.2	60864	57238	3626	6.0	60172	57225	2947	4.9
JACKSON	21271	20260	1011	4.8	20937	20093	844	4.0	21085	20307	778	3.7
JEFFERSON	7114	6822	292	4.1	7178	6922	256	3.6	7037	6826	211	3.0
LAFAYETTE	2999	2881	118	3.9	2954	2861	93	3.1	2900	2821	79	2.7
LAKE	133248	125936	7312	5.5	131825	125403	6422	4.9	129883	125130	4753	3.7
LEE	283296	263144	20152	7.1	283640	265299	18341	6.5	287964	276636	11328	3.9
LEON	141537	135901	5636	4.0	142413	137902	4511	3.2	140021	135990	4031	2.9
LEVY	17431	16384	1047	6.0	17304	16438	866	5.0	16651	16027	624	3.7
LIBERTY	3851	3709	142	3.7	3784	3668	116	3.1	3643	3551	92	2.5

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

COUNTY	MAY 2008				APRIL 2008				MAY 2007			
	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOY- MENT	UNEMPLOYMENT LEVEL	UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOY- MENT	UNEMPLOYMENT LEVEL	UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOY- MENT	UNEMPLOYMENT LEVEL	UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)
MADISON	6742	6306	436	6.5	6660	6285	375	5.6	6634	6253	381	5.7
MANATEE	152397	143687	8710	5.7	151257	143827	7430	4.9	153566	148223	5343	3.5
MARION	138270	129061	9209	6.7	137093	128915	8178	6.0	134461	129078	5383	4.0
MARTIN	66473	62751	3722	5.6	66056	62734	3322	5.0	64889	62462	2427	3.7
MIAMI-DADE	1207086	1149845	57241	4.7	1201352	1145028	56324	4.7	1187274	1146746	40528	3.4
MONROE	43260	41658	1602	3.7	43117	41722	1395	3.2	43445	42381	1064	2.4
NASSAU	35130	33473	1657	4.7	34633	33219	1414	4.1	34479	33438	1041	3.0
OKALOOSA	99018	95214	3804	3.8	97721	94412	3309	3.4	97669	95082	2587	2.6
OKEECHOBEE	18009	16876	1133	6.3	17759	16810	949	5.3	17102	16369	733	4.3
ORANGE	604275	574702	29573	4.9	598218	572270	25948	4.3	590788	571023	19765	3.3
OSCEOLA	131628	124538	7090	5.4	130248	124011	6237	4.8	128685	123741	4944	3.8
PALM BEACH	647215	611953	35262	5.4	640666	609811	30855	4.8	637541	613733	23808	3.7
PASCO	197347	184454	12893	6.5	195728	184464	11264	5.8	195159	186760	8399	4.3
PINELLAS	473731	449219	24512	5.2	470898	449245	21653	4.6	470998	454837	16161	3.4
POLK	269437	254310	15127	5.6	267062	254006	13056	4.9	269109	259047	10062	3.7
PUTNAM	32726	30696	2030	6.2	32236	30523	1713	5.3	31937	30607	1330	4.2
ST. JOHNS	91273	87111	4162	4.6	90047	86451	3596	4.0	89683	87020	2663	3.0
ST. LUCIE	123439	114085	9354	7.6	121928	114052	7876	6.5	119388	113559	5829	4.9
SANTA ROSA	71156	67891	3265	4.6	70589	67744	2845	4.0	69626	67429	2197	3.2
SARASOTA	176734	166275	10459	5.9	176374	166438	9936	5.6	177932	171525	6407	3.6
SEMINOLE	246258	234525	11733	4.8	243793	233532	10261	4.2	240571	233023	7548	3.1
SUMTER	39297	37868	1429	3.6	38733	37460	1273	3.3	33186	32242	944	2.8
SUWANNEE	18183	17301	882	4.9	17782	17049	733	4.1	17067	16534	533	3.1
TAYLOR	8803	8303	500	5.7	8650	8260	390	4.5	8526	8202	324	3.8
UNION	5242	5004	238	4.5	5200	5000	200	3.8	5083	4942	141	2.8
VOLUSIA	253287	238674	14613	5.8	250776	238161	12615	5.0	248474	239297	9177	3.7
WAKULLA	15582	14976	606	3.9	15691	15197	494	3.1	15409	14986	423	2.7
WALTON	35606	34426	1180	3.3	34559	33532	1027	3.0	32319	31590	729	2.3
WASHINGTON	9772	9246	526	5.4	9604	9145	459	4.8	9562	9214	348	3.6
FLORIDA												
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED												
	9257000	8768000	489000	5.3	9183000	8749000	434000	4.7	9119000	8797000	322000	3.5
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED												
	9261000	8749000	512000	5.5	9230000	8772000	459000	5.0	9122000	8768000	353000	3.9
UNITED STATES												
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED												
	154003000	145926000	8076000	5.2	153208000	145921000	7287000	4.8	152350000	145864000	6486000	4.3
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED												
	154534000	146046000	8487000	5.5	153957000	146331000	7626000	5.0	152776000	145913000	6863000	4.5

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

MSA (COUNTIES)	MAY 2008				APRIL 2008				MAY 2007			
	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOY- MENT	UNEMPLOYMENT LEVEL	UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOY- MENT	UNEMPLOYMENT LEVEL	UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOY- MENT	UNEMPLOYMENT LEVEL	UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)
BRADENTON-SARASOTA-VENICE (Manatee and Sarasota)	329131	309962	19169	5.8	327631	310265	17366	5.3	331498	319748	11750	3.5
CAPE CORAL-FT. MYERS (Lee)	283296	263144	20152	7.1	283640	265299	18341	6.5	287964	276636	11328	3.9
DELTONA-DAYTONA BEACH-ORMOND BEACH (Volusia)	253287	238674	14613	5.8	250776	238161	12615	5.0	248474	239297	9177	3.7
FT. WALTON BEACH-CRESTVIEW-DESTIN (Okaloosa)	99018	95214	3804	3.8	97721	94412	3309	3.4	97669	95082	2587	2.6
GAINESVILLE (Alachua and Gilchrist)	137585	132333	5252	3.8	138292	134098	4194	3.0	133672	130010	3662	2.7
JACKSONVILLE (Baker, Clay, Duval, Nassau, and St. Johns)	677617	643226	34391	5.1	668456	638350	30106	4.5	665472	642553	22919	3.4
LAKELAND-WINTER HAVEN (Polk)	269437	254310	15127	5.6	267062	254006	13056	4.9	269109	259047	10062	3.7
MIAMI-FT. LAUDERDALE-POMPANO BEACH (Broward, Miami-Dade, and Palm Beach)	2855581	2715204	140377	4.9	2833403	2704712	128691	4.5	2814852	2719042	95810	3.4
Ft. Lauderdale-Pompano Beach-Deerfield Beach Metropolitan Division (Broward)	1001280	953406	47874	4.8	991385	949873	41512	4.2	990037	958563	31474	3.2
Miami-Miami Beach-Kendall Metropolitan Division (Miami-Dade)	1207086	1149845	57241	4.7	1201352	1145028	56324	4.7	1187274	1146746	40528	3.4
West Palm Beach-Boca Raton-Boynton Beach Metropolitan Division (Palm Beach)	647215	611953	35262	5.4	640666	609811	30855	4.8	637541	613733	23808	3.7
NAPLES-MARCO ISLAND (Collier)	150325	141703	8622	5.7	150641	143276	7365	4.9	152739	147564	5175	3.4
OCALA (Marion)	138270	129061	9209	6.7	137093	128915	8178	6.0	134461	129078	5383	4.0
ORLANDO-KISSIMMEE (Lake, Orange, Osceola, and Seminole)	1115410	1059701	55709	5.0	1104086	1055217	48869	4.4	1089927	1052917	37010	3.4
PALM BAY-MELBOURNE-TITUSVILLE (Brevard)	264916	249946	14970	5.7	262192	248827	13365	5.1	260333	249896	10437	4.0
PALM COAST (Flagler)	31616	28983	2633	8.3	31101	28732	2369	7.6	30653	28901	1752	5.7
PANAMA CITY-LYNN HAVEN (Bay)	86719	82853	3866	4.5	85753	82261	3492	4.1	86653	83942	2711	3.1
PENSACOLA-FERRY PASS-BRENT (Escambia and Santa Rosa)	212515	202138	10377	4.9	210588	201701	8887	4.2	207874	200764	7110	3.4
PORT ST. LUCIE (Martin and St. Lucie)	189912	176836	13076	6.9	187984	176786	11198	6.0	184277	176021	8256	4.5
PUNTA GORDA (Charlotte)	68372	63322	5050	7.4	68147	63463	4684	6.9	68220	65180	3040	4.5
SEBASTIAN-VERO BEACH (Indian River)	61243	56839	4404	7.2	60864	57238	3626	6.0	60172	57225	2947	4.9
TALLAHASSEE (Gadsden, Jefferson, Leon, and Wakulla)	185465	177880	7585	4.1	186670	180499	6171	3.3	183430	177997	5433	3.0
TAMPA-ST. PETERSBURG-CLEARWATER (Hernando, Hillsborough, Pasco, and Pinellas)	1348365	1273146	75219	5.6	1339411	1273220	66191	4.9	1338035	1289069	48966	3.7
FLORIDA												
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED	9257000	8768000	489000	5.3	9183000	8749000	434000	4.7	9119000	8797000	322000	3.5
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED	9261000	8749000	512000	5.5	9230000	8772000	459000	5.0	9122000	8768000	353000	3.9
UNITED STATES												
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED	154003000	145926000	8076000	5.2	153208000	145921000	7287000	4.8	152350000	145864000	6486000	4.3
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED	154534000	146046000	8487000	5.5	153957000	146331000	7626000	5.0	152776000	145913000	6863000	4.5

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

MAY 2008
(PRELIMINARY)

RELEASED 06/20/2008

UNEMPLOYMENT			UNEMPLOYMENT		
RANK	COUNTY	RATE (%)	RANK	COUNTY	RATE (%)
1	FLAGLER	8.3	35	PINELLAS	5.2
2	HENDRY	8.0		UNITED STATES	5.2
3	ST. LUCIE	7.6	36	ESCAMBIA	5.0
4	CHARLOTTE	7.4	37	CALHOUN	5.0
5	HERNANDO	7.4	38	GADSDEN	5.0
6	INDIAN RIVER	7.2	39	ORANGE	4.9
7	LEE	7.1	40	CLAY	4.9
8	MARION	6.7	41	SUWANNEE	4.9
9	CITRUS	6.6	42	GULF	4.8
10	PASCO	6.5	43	BROWARD	4.8
11	MADISON	6.5	44	COLUMBIA	4.8
12	OKEECHOBEE	6.3	45	SEMINOLE	4.8
13	PUTNAM	6.2	46	JACKSON	4.8
14	DIXIE	6.0	47	MIAMI-DADE	4.7
15	LEVY	6.0	48	NASSAU	4.7
16	SARASOTA	5.9	49	SANTA ROSA	4.6
17	HAMILTON	5.9	50	ST. JOHNS	4.6
18	VOLUSIA	5.8	51	GILCHRIST	4.5
19	COLLIER	5.7	52	UNION	4.5
20	MANATEE	5.7	53	BAY	4.5
21	HIGHLANDS	5.7	54	HOLMES	4.4
22	TAYLOR	5.7	55	HARDEE	4.2
23	BREVARD	5.7	56	JEFFERSON	4.1
24	POLK	5.6	57	BRADFORD	4.1
25	MARTIN	5.6	58	LEON	4.0
26	DESOTO	5.6	59	LAFAYETTE	3.9
27	LAKE	5.5	60	FRANKLIN	3.9
28	PALM BEACH	5.4	61	WAKULLA	3.9
29	HILLSBOROUGH	5.4	62	OKALOOSA	3.8
30	OSCEOLA	5.4	63	ALACHUA	3.8
31	WASHINGTON	5.4	64	MONROE	3.7
32	GLADES	5.3	65	LIBERTY	3.7
33	DUVAL	5.3	66	SUMTER	3.6
	FLORIDA	5.3	67	WALTON	3.3
34	BAKER	5.2			

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STATE OF FLORIDA
 METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS (MSAs) AND METROPOLITAN DIVISIONS (MDs)
 RANKED BY UNEMPLOYMENT RATE
 (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)
 MAY 2008 (Preliminary)

1. Palm Coast MSA	8.3 %
2. Punta Gorda MSA	7.4
3. Sebastian-Vero Beach MSA	7.2
4. Cape Coral-Ft. Myers MSA	7.1
5. Port St. Lucie MSA	6.9
6. Ocala MSA	6.7
7. Bradenton-Sarasota-Venice MSA	5.8
8. Deltona-Daytona Beach-Ormond Beach MSA	5.8
9. Naples-Marco Island MSA	5.7
10. Palm Bay-Melbourne-Titusville MSA	5.7
11. Lakeland-Winter Haven MSA	5.6
12. Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater MSA	5.6
13. West Palm Beach-Boca Raton-Boynton Beach MD	5.4
Florida	5.3
United States	5.2
14. Jacksonville MSA	5.1
15. Orlando-Kissimmee MSA	5.0
16. Miami-Ft. Lauderdale-Pompano Beach MSA	4.9
17. Pensacola-Ferry Pass-Brent MSA	4.9
18. Ft. Lauderdale-Pompano Beach-Deerfield Beach MD	4.8
19. Miami-Miami Beach-Kendall MD	4.7
20. Panama City-Lynn Haven MSA	4.5
21. Tallahassee MSA	4.1
22. Ft. Walton Beach-Crestview-Destin MSA	3.8
23. Gainesville MSA	3.8

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TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT
FLORIDA (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

Area	May 2008	April 2008	May 2007	Over-the-Month Change		Over-the-Year Change	
				Level	Percent	Level	Percent
Statewide	8,007,600	8,030,200	8,096,000	-22,600	-0.3%	-88,400	-1.1%
Bradenton-Sarasota-Venice MSA	289,300	291,300	300,300	-2,000	-0.7%	-11,000	-3.7%
Cape Coral-Ft. Myers MSA	221,000	223,700	233,400	-2,700	-1.2%	-12,400	-5.3%
Deltona-Daytona Beach-Ormond Beach MSA	171,900	172,600	174,100	-700	-0.4%	-2,200	-1.3%
Ft. Lauderdale-Pompano Beach-Deerfield Beach MD	786,000	787,600	794,400	-1,600	-0.2%	-8,400	-1.1%
Ft. Walton Beach-Crestview-Destin MSA	85,500	85,200	86,400	+300	+0.4%	-900	-1.0%
Gainesville MSA	135,500	137,600	134,100	-2,100	-1.5%	+1,400	+1.0%
Jacksonville MSA	633,700	632,600	637,100	+1,100	+0.2%	-3,400	-0.5%
Lakeland-Winter Haven MSA	212,800	213,600	218,500	-800	-0.4%	-5,700	-2.6%
Miami-Ft. Lauderdale-Pompano Beach MSA	2,430,900	2,432,000	2,447,400	-1,100	-0.0%	-16,500	-0.7%
Miami-Miami Beach-Kendall MD	1,061,800	1,060,900	1,064,600	+900	+0.1%	-2,800	-0.3%
Naples-Marco Island MSA	127,900	129,700	134,000	-1,800	-1.4%	-6,100	-4.6%
Ocala MSA	105,200	105,700	106,600	-500	-0.5%	-1,400	-1.3%
Orlando-Kissimmee MSA	1,110,000	1,110,700	1,107,100	-700	-0.1%	+2,900	+0.3%
Palm Bay-Melbourne-Titusville MSA	211,900	212,000	213,300	-100	-0.0%	-1,400	-0.7%
Panama City-Lynn Haven MSA	76,500	76,600	78,200	-100	-0.1%	-1,700	-2.2%
Pensacola-Ferry Pass-Brent MSA	175,100	175,800	175,200	-700	-0.4%	-100	-0.1%
Port St. Lucie MSA	134,000	134,900	134,700	-900	-0.7%	-700	-0.5%
Punta Gorda MSA	42,600	42,900	44,200	-300	-0.7%	-1,600	-3.6%
Sebastian-Vero Beach MSA	48,500	48,900	48,900	-400	-0.8%	-400	-0.8%
Tallahassee MSA	176,900	180,800	177,900	-3,900	-2.2%	-1,000	-0.6%
Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater MSA	1,291,700	1,298,500	1,312,000	-6,800	-0.5%	-20,300	-1.5%
West Palm Beach-Boca Raton-Boynton Beach MD	583,100	583,500	588,400	-400	-0.1%	-5,300	-0.9%

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 June 20, 2008.

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