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Florida's July Unemployment Rate Remains Under National Average

~ Declines in construction, manufacturing and information contribute to July's 0.4 percentage point increase~

TALLAHASSEE – Florida Agency for Workforce Innovation (AWI) Director Monesia T. Brown today announced Florida's unemployment rate, after seasonal adjustment, increased from 3.5 percent in June 2007 to 3.9 percent in July 2007, up 0.4 percentage point. Based on the latest nationwide data, Florida's unemployment rate was the lowest among the ten most populous states and has continued below the national average since April 2002. The comparable national unemployment rate for July was 4.6 percent. Out of the civilian labor force of 9,230,000, there were 364,000 unemployed Floridians, up 41,000 (12.7 percent) over the month and 71,000 (24.2 percent) over the year.

July reflected a slight increase in the job growth rate. Florida's nonagricultural job count increased over the month by 2,800 to a total of 8,134,700. However, the over-the-year job growth rates for June (1.4 percent) and July (1.6 percent) were among the slowest recorded since December 2003. In July, Florida's job growth rate of 1.6 percent was higher than the national rate of 1.4 percent. Based on the latest nationwide data, Florida is ranked third in job growth among the ten most populous states, behind Texas and California. From July 2006 to July 2007, job growth was led by education and health services, which gained 38,100 jobs. Most of this growth was due to gains in health services.

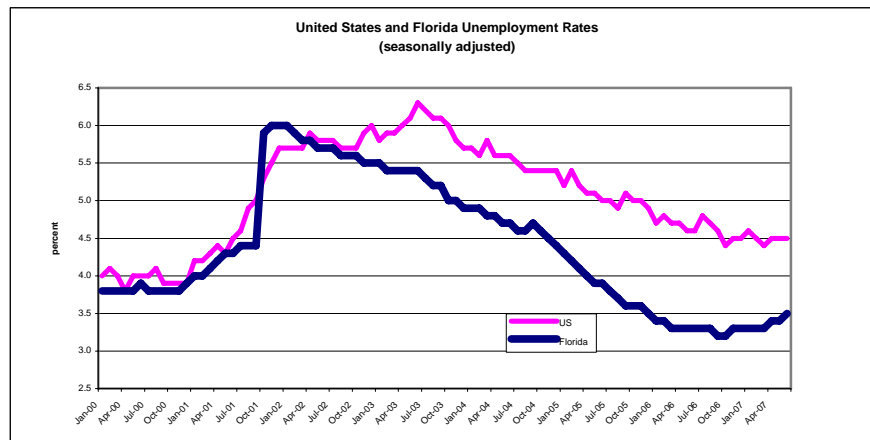
"For a number of months, declines in the construction industry have had an effect on Florida's job market. National markets, in addition to Florida, are feeling the impacts of declines in construction, tightening financial markets and higher gas prices," said Director Brown. "Our workforce system remains focused on creating training programs that meet the needs of Florida's most critical industries. As we move forward, we will continue to look for ways to work with Florida's business, community and economic development partners to address the long-term workforce needs of Florida's citizens."

The state's job growth rate has been slowing since reaching a peak of 5.2 percent in September 2005. The 2005 peak was the result of increases in construction related to hurricane recovery and housing expansion. Florida's job growth rate has been slowing over the past year due primarily to weakness in construction, manufacturing and information.

According to a new poll by *Expansion Management* magazine, Florida ranks among the top three states with the best workforce training programs in the nation. The poll, released this week, ranks Florida No. 3 for the overall quality of its workforce training programs, behind only Georgia (No. 1) and Alabama (No. 2) in the 50-state rating. This is the ninth year *Expansion Management* has conducted its poll of more than 80 site selection consultants and the first time in the poll's history that any state has made a one-year advance of seven places in the rankings. Florida was ranked No. 10 in the 2006 poll.

Florida's Labor Market at a Glance (Seasonally Adjusted)

- The Florida economy continued to slow in July, with an unemployment rate higher than a year ago and a job growth rate just above the national rate.
- Florida has recorded 59 consecutive months of job growth.
- Florida gained 127,100 nonagricultural jobs in July compared to a year ago.
- Florida's July 2007 unemployment rate of 3.9 percent was the highest since June 2005 when it was also 3.9 percent. The state's rate was 0.7 percentage point lower than the national rate of 4.6 percent. Florida's rate has been below the national average since mid-2002.



FLORIDA'S NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY (Seasonally Adjusted)

- In July 2007, Florida's nonagricultural employment expanded by 1.6 percent over the year, totaling 8,134,700 jobs. Nonagricultural employment grew nationally at a rate of 1.4 percent.
- Florida added 127,100 jobs since July 2006. Education and health services (+38,100 jobs, +3.9 percent) and leisure and hospitality (+36,400 jobs, +4.0 percent) accounted for 59 percent of the new jobs in the state.
- Government ranked third among Florida's major industries in job growth and expanded by 22,000 jobs over the year (+2.0 percent). Local government accounted for 88 percent of the total increase in government.
- Professional and business services increased by 20,300 jobs over July 2006 levels (+1.5 percent). Professional and technical services and administrative services accounted for the majority of the growth.
- Construction employment, reacting to declines in the housing market, lost 17,900 jobs over the year (-2.8 percent). It was the first time since 1992 that the state has experienced five consecutive months of over-the-year declines in construction jobs.
- Manufacturing (-5,300 jobs, -1.3 percent) and information (-1,800 jobs, -1.1 percent) continued to have over-the-year declines, mainly due to weakness in computer and electronic product manufacturing, broadcasting, and wired telecommunications.

LOCAL AREA UNEMPLOYMENT STATISTICS (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

- In July 2007, Walton County had the state's lowest unemployment rate (2.4 percent), followed by Monroe County (2.9 percent). Liberty and Okaloosa counties followed, both with unemployment rates of 3.1 percent.
- Hendry County, at 9.9 percent, had the highest unemployment rate in Florida in July, followed by Indian River and St. Lucie counties (6.6 percent each); Glades County (6.2 percent); and Okeechobee County (6.1 percent each). 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 (+38,800 jobs, +1.6 percent) in July 2007, followed by the Orlando-Kissimmee MSA (+28,900 jobs, +2.7 percent) and the Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater MSA MSA (+18,000 jobs, +1.4 percent). The combined employment growth in these three MSAs accounted for 62 percent of the total job growth in the state.

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LABOR FORCE STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN NONINSTITUTIONAL POPULATION
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SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

	Current Month July 2007	Month Ago June 2007	Year Ago July 2006	Over-the-Month Change		Over-the-Year Change	
				Level	Percent	Level	Percent
STATE OF FLORIDA							
Civilian Noninstitutional Population 16+	14,478,016	14,457,000	14,233,000	21,016	0.1	245,016	1.7
Civilian Labor Force	9,230,000	9,187,000	8,994,000	43,000	0.5	236,000	2.6
Employment	8,867,000	8,864,000	8,701,000	3,000	**	166,000	1.9
Unemployment	364,000	323,000	293,000	41,000	12.7	71,000	24.2
Unemployment Rate (%)	3.9	3.5	3.3	0.4	--	0.6	--

UNITED STATES

Civilian Noninstitutional Population 16+	231,958,000	231,713,000	228,912,000	245,000	0.1	3,046,000	1.3
Civilian Labor Force	153,231,000	153,072,000	151,558,000	159,000	0.1	1,673,000	1.1
Employment	146,110,000	146,140,000	144,330,000	-30,000	**	1,780,000	1.2
Unemployment	7,121,000	6,933,000	7,228,000	188,000	2.7	-107,000	-1.5
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.6	4.5	4.8	0.1	--	-0.2	--

NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

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				Level	Percent	Level	Percent
STATE OF FLORIDA							
Civilian Noninstitutional Population 16+	14,478,016	14,457,000	14,233,000	21,016	0.1	245,016	1.7
Civilian Labor Force	9,316,000	9,241,000	9,054,000	75,000	0.8	262,000	2.9
Employment	8,924,000	8,892,000	8,723,000	32,000	0.4	201,000	2.3
Unemployment	393,000	349,000	330,000	44,000	12.6	63,000	19.1
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.2	3.8	3.6	0.4	--	0.6	--

UNITED STATES

Civilian Noninstitutional Population 16+	231,958,000	231,713,000	228,912,000	245,000	0.1	3,046,000	1.3
Civilian Labor Force	154,871,000	154,252,000	153,208,000	619,000	0.4	1,663,000	1.1
Employment	147,315,000	146,958,000	145,606,000	357,000	0.2	1,709,000	1.2
Unemployment	7,556,000	7,295,000	7,602,000	261,000	3.6	-46,000	-0.6
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.9	4.7	5.0	0.2	--	-0.1	--

** = 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)

	July ^P 2007	June ^r 2007	July 2006	Over-the-Month Change		Over-the-Year Change	
				Level	Percent	Level	Percent
Total Nonagricultural Employment	8,134.7	8,131.9	8,007.6	2.8	*	127.1	1.6
Construction	621.0	624.7	638.9	-3.7	-0.6	-17.9	-2.8
Manufacturing	397.8	396.5	403.1	1.3	0.3	-5.3	-1.3
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	1,612.3	1,613.3	1,595.7	-1.0	-0.1	16.6	1.0
Wholesale Trade	356.2	354.7	347.1	1.5	0.4	9.1	2.6
Retail Trade	1,015.0	1,016.4	1,005.0	-1.4	-0.1	10.0	1.0
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	241.1	242.2	243.6	-1.1	-0.5	-2.5	-1.0
Information	165.7	165.3	167.5	0.4	0.2	-1.8	-1.1
Financial Activities	553.8	550.9	544.7	2.9	0.5	9.1	1.7
Finance and Insurance	374.8	373.2	367.6	1.6	0.4	7.2	2.0
Real Estate, Rental, and Leasing	179.0	177.7	177.1	1.3	0.7	1.9	1.1
Professional and Business Services	1,365.1	1,367.8	1,344.8	-2.7	-0.2	20.3	1.5
Education and Health Services	1,007.0	1,004.5	968.9	2.5	0.2	38.1	3.9
Educational Services	132.3	130.8	125.6	1.5	1.1	6.7	5.3
Health Care and Social Assistance	874.7	873.7	843.3	1.0	0.1	31.4	3.7
Leisure and Hospitality	941.5	937.7	905.1	3.8	0.4	36.4	4.0
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	184.7	182.8	173.4	1.9	1.0	11.3	6.5
Accommodation and Food Services	756.8	754.9	731.7	1.9	0.3	25.1	3.4
Other Services	347.6	345.4	337.8	2.2	0.6	9.8	2.9
Total Government	1,116.6	1,119.3	1,094.6	-2.7	-0.2	22.0	2.0
Local Government	777.3	777.8	757.9	-0.5	-0.1	19.4	2.6

^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	July 2007	June 2007	July 2006	Change from			
				June 2007 to July 2007 Level	Percent	July 2006 to July 2007 Level	Percent
Total Nonagricultural Employment	8,018,300	8,060,100	7,879,000	-41,800	-0.5%	139,300	1.8%
Total Private	6,984,100	7,026,400	6,865,200	-42,300	-0.6%	118,900	1.7%
Goods Producing	1,027,300	1,034,500	1,047,300	-7,200	-0.7%	-20,000	-1.9%
Natural Resources and Mining	6,300	6,500	6,500	-200	-3.1%	-200	-3.1%
Mining, except Oil and Gas	3,900	3,900	4,000	0	0.0%	-100	-2.5%
Construction	624,500	629,600	638,700	-5,100	-0.8%	-14,200	-2.2%
Construction of Buildings	132,800	133,100	137,200	-300	-0.2%	-4,400	-3.2%
Heavy and Civil Engineering Construction	77,100	77,100	76,400	0	0.0%	700	0.9%
Specialty Trade Contractors	414,600	419,400	425,100	-4,800	-1.1%	-10,500	-2.5%
Building Equipment Contractors	164,700	165,200	163,700	-500	-0.3%	1,000	0.6%
Manufacturing	396,500	398,400	402,100	-1,900	-0.5%	-5,600	-1.4%
Durable Goods	274,700	274,300	276,800	400	0.1%	-2,100	-0.8%
Fabricated Metal Product Manufacturing	42,700	42,600	41,300	100	0.2%	1,400	3.4%
Computer and Electronic Product Manufacturing	47,900	48,300	49,800	-400	-0.8%	-1,900	-3.8%
Communications Equipment Manufacturing	10,200	10,400	10,300	-200	-1.9%	-100	-1.0%
Transportation Equipment Manufacturing	44,500	44,600	43,500	-100	-0.2%	1,000	2.3%
Aerospace Product and Parts Manufacturing	19,300	19,200	18,400	100	0.5%	900	4.9%
Miscellaneous Durable Goods Manufacturing	28,600	29,000	29,700	-400	-1.4%	-1,100	-3.7%
Nondurable Goods	121,800	124,100	125,300	-2,300	-1.9%	-3,500	-2.8%
Food Manufacturing	29,200	29,500	29,500	-300	-1.0%	-300	-1.0%
Beverage and Tobacco Product Manufacturing	10,900	10,800	10,700	100	0.9%	200	1.9%
Paper Manufacturing	10,100	10,100	10,400	0	0.0%	-300	-2.9%
Printing and Related Support Activities	22,700	22,800	23,000	-100	-0.4%	-300	-1.3%
Chemical Manufacturing	19,200	19,100	19,300	100	0.5%	-100	-0.5%

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Industry Title	July 2007	June 2007	July 2006	Change from			
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Service Providing	6,991,000	7,025,600	6,831,700	-34,600	-0.5%	159,300	2.3%
Private Service Providing	5,956,800	5,991,900	5,817,900	-35,100	-0.6%	138,900	2.4%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	1,597,900	1,604,900	1,580,300	-7,000	-0.4%	17,600	1.1%
Wholesale Trade	354,800	354,800	345,900	0	0.0%	8,900	2.6%
Merchant Wholesalers, Durable Goods	189,800	188,700	186,400	1,100	0.6%	3,400	1.8%
Commercial Equipment Wholesalers	48,000	47,900	46,100	100	0.2%	1,900	4.1%
Electronic Goods Wholesalers	23,300	23,000	22,800	300	1.3%	500	2.2%
Machinery and Supply Wholesalers	34,900	34,700	34,600	200	0.6%	300	0.9%
Merchant Wholesalers, Nondurable Goods	123,200	124,200	120,300	-1,000	-0.8%	2,900	2.4%
Grocery and Related Product Wholesalers	43,900	44,600	42,900	-700	-1.6%	1,000	2.3%
Wholesale Electronic Markets and Agents	41,800	41,900	39,200	-100	-0.2%	2,600	6.6%
Retail Trade	1,003,200	1,008,700	993,100	-5,500	-0.5%	10,100	1.0%
Motor Vehicle and Parts Dealers	137,300	137,200	135,800	100	0.1%	1,500	1.1%
Automobile Dealers	88,700	88,600	89,000	100	0.1%	-300	-0.3%
Furniture and Home Furnishings Stores	45,400	45,400	44,300	0	0.0%	1,100	2.5%
Electronics and Appliance Stores	37,400	37,800	35,800	-400	-1.1%	1,600	4.5%
Building Material and Garden Supply Stores	88,100	90,000	90,700	-1,900	-2.1%	-2,600	-2.9%
Food and Beverage Stores	193,700	196,000	192,000	-2,300	-1.2%	1,700	0.9%
Health and Personal Care Stores	69,100	68,900	67,700	200	0.3%	1,400	2.1%
Gasoline Stations	41,800	41,900	40,000	-100	-0.2%	1,800	4.5%
Clothing and Accessory Stores	102,100	100,800	102,000	1,300	1.3%	100	0.1%
Sporting Goods, Hobby, Book, and Music Stores	33,300	33,000	31,000	300	0.9%	2,300	7.4%
General Merchandise Stores	176,500	178,200	174,700	-1,700	-1.0%	1,800	1.0%
Department Stores	76,500	77,400	77,300	-900	-1.2%	-800	-1.0%
Other General Merchandise Stores	100,000	100,800	97,400	-800	-0.8%	2,600	2.7%
Miscellaneous Store Retailers	57,100	58,000	56,800	-900	-1.6%	300	0.5%
Nonstore Retailers	21,400	21,500	22,300	-100	-0.5%	-900	-4.0%
Electronic Shopping and Mail-Order Houses	13,600	13,700	14,600	-100	-0.7%	-1,000	-6.8%
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	239,900	241,400	241,300	-1,500	-0.6%	-1,400	-0.6%
Utilities	24,700	24,600	24,400	100	0.4%	300	1.2%

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Transportation and Warehousing	215,200	216,800	216,900	-1,600	-0.7%	-1,700	-0.8%
Air Transportation	28,700	28,500	29,900	200	0.7%	-1,200	-4.0%
Water Transportation	12,300	12,300	12,200	0	0.0%	100	0.8%
Truck Transportation	49,400	49,500	49,000	-100	-0.2%	400	0.8%
Support Activities for Transportation	46,000	47,300	46,100	-1,300	-2.7%	-100	-0.2%
Couriers and Messengers	30,800	30,700	30,100	100	0.3%	700	2.3%
Warehousing and Storage	27,700	27,700	27,700	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Information	165,600	165,700	167,700	-100	-0.1%	-2,100	-1.3%
Publishing Industries, except Internet	42,600	43,100	42,800	-500	-1.2%	-200	-0.5%
Broadcasting, except Internet	18,300	18,500	18,800	-200	-1.1%	-500	-2.7%
Telecommunications	63,100	63,200	63,300	-100	-0.2%	-200	-0.3%
Wired Telecommunications Carriers	32,700	32,800	33,200	-100	-0.3%	-500	-1.5%
Internet Service Providers and Data Processing	24,900	24,800	25,200	100	0.4%	-300	-1.2%
Financial Activities	557,800	555,000	545,800	2,800	0.5%	12,000	2.2%
Finance and Insurance	377,800	375,600	367,900	2,200	0.6%	9,900	2.7%
Credit Intermediation and Related Activities	197,400	195,700	190,900	1,700	0.9%	6,500	3.4%
Depository Credit Intermediation	106,900	107,100	103,700	-200	-0.2%	3,200	3.1%
Insurance Carriers and Related Activities	136,000	135,300	135,500	700	0.5%	500	0.4%
Insurance Carriers	73,900	73,300	75,200	600	0.8%	-1,300	-1.7%
Insurance Agencies, Brokerages, and Related	62,100	62,000	60,300	100	0.2%	1,800	3.0%
Real Estate, Rental, and Leasing	180,000	179,400	177,900	600	0.3%	2,100	1.2%
Real Estate	133,200	132,500	130,100	700	0.5%	3,100	2.4%
Professional and Business Services	1,360,300	1,370,800	1,335,200	-10,500	-0.8%	25,100	1.9%
Professional and Technical Services	459,100	463,000	445,000	-3,900	-0.8%	14,100	3.2%
Legal Services	90,700	90,300	92,300	400	0.4%	-1,600	-1.7%
Accounting, Tax Preparation, and Bookkeeping	51,500	51,900	48,000	-400	-0.8%	3,500	7.3%
Architectural, Engineering, and Related	96,900	97,200	93,800	-300	-0.3%	3,100	3.3%
Computer Systems Design and Related	59,400	58,900	56,800	500	0.8%	2,600	4.6%
Management, Scientific, and Technical	68,000	68,700	64,700	-700	-1.0%	3,300	5.1%

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Industry Title	July 2007	June 2007	July 2006	Change from			
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Management of Companies and Enterprises	73,500	72,700	73,500	800	1.1%	0	0.0%
Administrative and Waste Services	827,700	835,100	816,700	-7,400	-0.9%	11,000	1.3%
Administrative and Support Services	807,200	814,500	797,200	-7,300	-0.9%	10,000	1.3%
Employment Services	446,500	451,600	447,900	-5,100	-1.1%	-1,400	-0.3%
Business Support Services	60,200	60,100	59,100	100	0.2%	1,100	1.9%
Travel Arrangement and Reservation Services	30,100	30,300	29,800	-200	-0.7%	300	1.0%
Investigation and Security Services	57,700	57,900	58,200	-200	-0.3%	-500	-0.9%
Services to Buildings and Dwellings	144,100	141,700	137,700	2,400	1.7%	6,400	4.6%
Waste Management and Remediation Services	20,500	20,600	19,500	-100	-0.5%	1,000	5.1%
Education and Health Services	994,400	1,001,300	956,700	-6,900	-0.7%	37,700	3.9%
Educational Services	122,100	127,400	116,500	-5,300	-4.2%	5,600	4.8%
Elementary and Secondary Schools	38,200	42,400	37,000	-4,200	-9.9%	1,200	3.2%
Colleges and Universities	48,200	48,100	44,800	100	0.2%	3,400	7.6%
Health Care and Social Assistance	872,300	873,900	840,200	-1,600	-0.2%	32,100	3.8%
Ambulatory Health Care Services	360,300	360,000	346,500	300	0.1%	13,800	4.0%
Offices of Physicians	166,000	166,000	157,100	0	0.0%	8,900	5.7%
Home Health Care Services	53,900	53,600	51,200	300	0.6%	2,700	5.3%
Hospitals	248,800	249,700	237,800	-900	-0.4%	11,000	4.6%
Nursing and Residential Care Facilities	159,900	159,800	154,300	100	0.1%	5,600	3.6%
Nursing Care Facilities	87,600	87,400	84,900	200	0.2%	2,700	3.2%
Community Care for the Elderly	42,300	42,700	40,800	-400	-0.9%	1,500	3.7%
Social Assistance	103,300	104,400	101,600	-1,100	-1.1%	1,700	1.7%
Leisure and Hospitality	932,700	946,000	894,300	-13,300	-1.4%	38,400	4.3%
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	184,100	184,900	171,900	-800	-0.4%	12,200	7.1%
Amusement, Gambling, and Recreation	144,500	144,300	138,400	200	0.1%	6,100	4.4%
Amusement Parks and Arcades	58,100	57,700	56,100	400	0.7%	2,000	3.6%
Accommodation and Food Services	748,600	761,100	722,400	-12,500	-1.6%	26,200	3.6%
Accommodation	161,400	161,600	154,000	-200	-0.1%	7,400	4.8%
Food Services and Drinking Places	587,200	599,500	568,400	-12,300	-2.1%	18,800	3.3%

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	July 2007	June 2007	July 2006	Change from			
				June 2007 to July 2007 Level	Percent	July 2006 to July 2007 Level	Percent
Other Services	348,100	348,200	337,900	-100	0.0%	10,200	3.0%
Repair and Maintenance	78,400	78,800	76,000	-400	-0.5%	2,400	3.2%
Automotive Repair and Maintenance	54,700	55,000	52,700	-300	-0.5%	2,000	3.8%
Personal and Laundry Services	77,200	78,000	77,700	-800	-1.0%	-500	-0.6%
Membership Associations and Organizations	192,500	191,400	184,200	1,100	0.6%	8,300	4.5%
Total Government	1,034,200	1,033,700	1,013,800	500	0.0%	20,400	2.0%
Federal	125,200	125,200	127,200	0	0.0%	-2,000	-1.6%
State	205,500	205,800	200,700	-300	-0.1%	4,800	2.4%
Local	703,500	702,700	685,900	800	0.1%	17,600	2.6%

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	JULY 2007				JUNE 2007				JULY 2006			
	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	125683	121551	4132	3.3	124769	120968	3801	3.0	122150	118251	3899	3.2
BAKER	11923	11441	482	4.0	11767	11339	428	3.6	11450	11099	351	3.1
BAY	88471	85323	3148	3.6	87944	85058	2886	3.3	86761	84065	2696	3.1
BRADFORD	12352	11906	446	3.6	12241	11817	424	3.5	11998	11601	397	3.3
BREVARD	268914	256730	12184	4.5	265839	254819	11020	4.1	264046	254712	9334	3.5
BROWARD	1000210	962312	37898	3.8	997014	962945	34069	3.4	983049	950163	32886	3.3
CALHOUN	5420	5198	222	4.1	5507	5301	206	3.7	5432	5235	197	3.6
CHARLOTTE	70928	67018	3910	5.5	70685	67346	3339	4.7	67493	64946	2547	3.8
CITRUS	57601	54627	2974	5.2	57531	54906	2625	4.6	55022	52747	2275	4.1
CLAY	92425	89033	3392	3.7	91268	88238	3030	3.3	89287	86372	2915	3.3
COLLIER	157726	150042	7684	4.9	156855	150618	6237	4.0	150542	145060	5482	3.6
COLUMBIA	31353	30207	1146	3.7	30929	29874	1055	3.4	29750	28706	1044	3.5
DESOTO	15317	14501	816	5.3	15511	14849	662	4.3	14066	13464	602	4.3
DIXIE	5821	5570	251	4.3	5804	5577	227	3.9	5768	5561	207	3.6
DUVAL	450748	430666	20082	4.5	445239	426822	18417	4.1	435543	417795	17748	4.1
ESCAMBIA	139553	133688	5865	4.2	138656	133389	5267	3.8	136753	131878	4875	3.6
FLAGLER	34421	32389	2032	5.9	34417	32628	1789	5.2	31882	30453	1429	4.5
FRANKLIN	5364	5193	171	3.2	5515	5359	156	2.8	5247	5088	159	3.0
GADSDEN	21334	20378	956	4.5	21044	20219	825	3.9	20718	19933	785	3.8
GILCHRIST	7674	7350	324	4.2	7593	7315	278	3.7	7415	7150	265	3.6
GLADES	4512	4231	281	6.2	4599	4353	246	5.3	4378	4152	226	5.2
GULF	7044	6789	255	3.6	7019	6806	213	3.0	6761	6561	200	3.0
HAMILTON	4744	4522	222	4.7	4784	4573	211	4.4	4694	4506	188	4.0
HARDEE	12425	11754	671	5.4	12887	12356	531	4.1	11556	10995	561	4.9
HENDRY	17745	15990	1755	9.9	17994	16584	1410	7.8	17159	15714	1445	8.4
HERNANDO	62713	59040	3673	5.9	62107	58757	3350	5.4	61118	58327	2791	4.6
HIGHLANDS	42609	40438	2171	5.1	43551	41752	1799	4.1	40871	39107	1764	4.3
HILLSBOROUGH	622288	596781	25507	4.1	616615	593917	22698	3.7	610526	589571	20955	3.4
HOLMES	9232	8886	346	3.7	9206	8878	328	3.6	8729	8434	295	3.4
INDIAN RIVER	61587	57525	4062	6.6	61180	57689	3491	5.7	60008	57024	2984	5.0
JACKSON	21680	20758	922	4.3	21968	21126	842	3.8	21716	20792	924	4.3
JEFFERSON	7089	6829	260	3.7	7011	6775	236	3.4	6898	6680	218	3.2
LAFAYETTE	2846	2752	94	3.3	2887	2799	88	3.0	2864	2780	84	2.9
LAKE	128871	123220	5651	4.4	127393	122246	5147	4.0	124784	120174	4610	3.7
LEE	294710	280850	13860	4.7	294219	281969	12250	4.2	283222	274243	8979	3.2
LEON	142875	138017	4858	3.4	141406	136937	4469	3.2	139407	135002	4405	3.2
LEVY	17251	16483	768	4.5	17324	16640	684	3.9	16657	16003	654	3.9
LIBERTY	3817	3700	117	3.1	3765	3660	105	2.8	3581	3472	109	3.0

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

COUNTY	JULY 2007				JUNE 2007				JULY 2006			
	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	7351	6921	430	5.8	7261	6867	394	5.4	7617	7280	337	4.4
MANATEE	159375	152694	6681	4.2	158571	152730	5841	3.7	154940	150039	4901	3.2
MARION	136782	130178	6604	4.8	135600	129730	5870	4.3	132594	127676	4918	3.7
MARTIN	67531	64379	3152	4.7	67018	64297	2721	4.1	65329	62792	2537	3.9
MIAMI-DADE	1201448	1156110	45338	3.8	1183259	1142661	40598	3.4	1167157	1118861	48296	4.1
MONROE	44335	43028	1307	2.9	44440	43262	1178	2.7	45120	43916	1204	2.7
NASSAU	34851	33662	1189	3.4	34492	33362	1130	3.3	33744	32656	1088	3.2
OKALOOSA	103733	100544	3189	3.1	103432	100531	2901	2.8	101337	98687	2650	2.6
OKEECHOBEE	18173	17073	1100	6.1	18043	17171	872	4.8	17300	16435	865	5.0
ORANGE	601231	577937	23294	3.9	594338	573367	20971	3.5	583175	563651	19524	3.3
OSCEOLA	126849	121221	5628	4.4	125332	120262	5070	4.0	122611	118225	4386	3.6
PALM BEACH	653041	622537	30504	4.7	650595	624137	26458	4.1	630029	604261	25768	4.1
PASCO	194519	184725	9794	5.0	192600	183839	8761	4.5	189950	182494	7456	3.9
PINELLAS	493498	473856	19642	4.0	489246	471582	17664	3.6	484758	468131	16627	3.4
POLK	277639	264390	13249	4.8	276299	264895	11404	4.1	270073	259321	10752	4.0
PUTNAM	31952	30356	1596	5.0	32052	30617	1435	4.5	31809	30514	1295	4.1
ST. JOHNS	89241	86150	3091	3.5	88157	85381	2776	3.1	86103	83576	2527	2.9
ST. LUCIE	119349	111486	7863	6.6	118002	111344	6658	5.6	114349	108740	5609	4.9
SANTA ROSA	69675	66624	3051	4.4	69243	66474	2769	4.0	68281	65722	2559	3.7
SARASOTA	187137	178852	8285	4.4	186018	178893	7125	3.8	181527	175741	5786	3.2
SEMINOLE	246567	237458	9109	3.7	243813	235580	8233	3.4	239044	231588	7456	3.1
SUMTER	33807	32692	1115	3.3	33635	32651	984	2.9	29397	28552	845	2.9
SUWANNEE	17336	16660	676	3.9	17586	16978	608	3.5	17104	16504	600	3.5
TAYLOR	9251	8857	394	4.3	9209	8854	355	3.9	8816	8443	373	4.2
UNION	5292	5119	173	3.3	5233	5075	158	3.0	5121	4963	158	3.1
VOLUSIA	256961	245980	10981	4.3	253671	243811	9860	3.9	249821	240971	8850	3.5
WAKULLA	14958	14485	473	3.2	14821	14372	449	3.0	14610	14169	441	3.0
WALTON	37297	36400	897	2.4	36977	36181	796	2.2	32955	32247	708	2.1
WASHINGTON	9936	9523	413	4.2	10052	9669	383	3.8	9628	9268	360	3.7
FLORIDA												
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED												
	9316000	8924000	393000	4.2	9241000	8892000	349000	3.8	9054000	8723000	330000	3.6
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED												
	9230000	8867000	364000	3.9	9187000	8864000	323000	3.5	8994000	8701000	293000	3.3
UNITED STATES												
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED												
	154871000	147315000	7556000	4.9	154252000	146958000	7295000	4.7	153208000	145606000	7602000	5.0
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED												
	153231000	146110000	7121000	4.6	153072000	146140000	6933000	4.5	151558000	144330000	7228000	4.8

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

MSA (COUNTIES)	JULY 2007				JUNE 2007				JULY 2006			
	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)	294710	280850	13860	4.7	294219	281969	12250	4.2	283222	274243	8979	3.2
DELTONA-DAYTONA BEACH-ORMOND BEACH (Volusia)	256961	245980	10981	4.3	253671	243811	9860	3.9	249821	240971	8850	3.5
FT. WALTON BEACH-CRESTVIEW-DESTIN (Okaloosa)	103733	100544	3189	3.1	103432	100531	2901	2.8	101337	98687	2650	2.6
GAINESVILLE (Alachua and Gilchrist)	133357	128901	4456	3.3	132362	128283	4079	3.1	129565	125401	4164	3.2
JACKSONVILLE (Baker, Clay, Duval, Nassau, and St. Johns)	679189	650953	28236	4.2	670924	645143	25781	3.8	656127	631498	24629	3.8
LAKELAND (Polk)	277639	264390	13249	4.8	276299	264895	11404	4.1	270073	259321	10752	4.0
MIAMI-FT. LAUDERDALE-POMPANO BEACH (Broward, Miami-Dade, and Palm Beach)	2854699	2740959	113740	4.0	2830868	2729743	101125	3.6	2780235	2673285	106950	3.8
Ft. Lauderdale-Pompano Beach-Deerfield Beach Metropolitan Division (Broward)	1000210	962312	37898	3.8	997014	962945	34069	3.4	983049	950163	32886	3.3
Miami-Miami Beach-Kendall Metropolitan Division (Miami-Dade)	1201448	1156110	45338	3.8	1183259	1142661	40598	3.4	1167157	1118861	48296	4.1
West Palm Beach-Boca Raton-Boynton Beach Metropolitan Division (Palm Beach)	653041	622537	30504	4.7	650595	624137	26458	4.1	630029	604261	25768	4.1
NAPLES-MARCO ISLAND (Collier)	157726	150042	7684	4.9	156855	150618	6237	4.0	150542	145060	5482	3.6
OCALA (Marion)	136782	130178	6604	4.8	135600	129730	5870	4.3	132594	127676	4918	3.7
ORLANDO-KISSIMMEE (Lake, Orange, Osceola, and Seminole)	1103518	1059836	43682	4.0	1090875	1051455	39420	3.6	1069613	1033638	35975	3.4
PALM BAY-MELBOURNE-TITUSVILLE (Brevard)	268914	256730	12184	4.5	265839	254819	11020	4.1	264046	254712	9334	3.5
PALM COAST (Flagler)	34421	32389	2032	5.9	34417	32628	1789	5.2	31882	30453	1429	4.5
PANAMA CITY-LYNN HAVEN (Bay)	88471	85323	3148	3.6	87944	85058	2886	3.3	86761	84065	2696	3.1
PENSACOLA-FERRY PASS-BRENT (Escambia and Santa Rosa)	209228	200312	8916	4.3	207899	199863	8036	3.9	205034	197600	7434	3.6
PORT ST. LUCIE (Martin and St. Lucie)	186880	175865	11015	5.9	185020	175641	9379	5.1	179678	171532	8146	4.5
PUNTA GORDA (Charlotte)	70928	67018	3910	5.5	70685	67346	3339	4.7	67493	64946	2547	3.8
SARASOTA-BRADENTON-VENICE (Manatee and Sarasota)	346512	331546	14966	4.3	344589	331623	12966	3.8	336467	325780	10687	3.2
SEBASTIAN-VERO BEACH (Indian River)	61587	57525	4062	6.6	61180	57689	3491	5.7	60008	57024	2984	5.0
TALLAHASSEE (Gadsden, Jefferson, Leon, and Wakulla)	186257	179710	6547	3.5	184283	178304	5979	3.2	181634	175784	5850	3.2
TAMPA-ST. PETERSBURG-CLEARWATER (Hernando, Hillsborough, Pasco, and Pinellas)	1373019	1314403	58616	4.3	1360567	1308095	52472	3.9	1346351	1298523	47828	3.6
FLORIDA												
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED	9316000	8924000	393000	4.2	9241000	8892000	349000	3.8	9054000	8723000	330000	3.6
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED	9230000	8867000	364000	3.9	9187000	8864000	323000	3.5	8994000	8701000	293000	3.3
UNITED STATES												
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED	154871000	147315000	7556000	4.9	154252000	146958000	7295000	4.7	153208000	145606000	7602000	5.0
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED	153231000	146110000	7121000	4.6	153072000	146140000	6933000	4.5	151558000	144330000	7228000	4.8

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

JULY 2007

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UNEMPLOYMENT			UNEMPLOYMENT		
RANK	COUNTY	RATE (%)	RANK	COUNTY	RATE (%)
1	HENDRY	9.9	35	GILCHRIST	4.2
2	INDIAN RIVER	6.6	36	ESCAMBIA	4.2
3	ST. LUCIE	6.6	37	MANATEE	4.2
4	GLADES	6.2	38	WASHINGTON	4.2
5	OKEECHOBEE	6.1		FLORIDA	4.2
6	FLAGLER	5.9	39	HILLSBOROUGH	4.1
7	HERNANDO	5.9	40	CALHOUN	4.1
8	MADISON	5.8	41	BAKER	4.0
9	CHARLOTTE	5.5	42	PINELLAS	4.0
10	HARDEE	5.4	43	SUWANNEE	3.9
11	DESOTO	5.3	44	ORANGE	3.9
12	CITRUS	5.2	45	BROWARD	3.8
13	HIGHLANDS	5.1	46	MIAMI-DADE	3.8
14	PASCO	5.0	47	HOLMES	3.7
15	PUTNAM	5.0	48	SEMINOLE	3.7
16	COLLIER	4.9	49	CLAY	3.7
	UNITED STATES	4.9	50	JEFFERSON	3.7
17	MARION	4.8	51	COLUMBIA	3.7
18	POLK	4.8	52	GULF	3.6
19	LEE	4.7	53	BRADFORD	3.6
20	HAMILTON	4.7	54	BAY	3.6
21	PALM BEACH	4.7	55	ST. JOHNS	3.5
22	MARTIN	4.7	56	NASSAU	3.4
23	BREVARD	4.5	57	LEON	3.4
24	GADSDEN	4.5	58	LAFAYETTE	3.3
25	DUVAL	4.5	59	SUMTER	3.3
26	LEVY	4.5	60	ALACHUA	3.3
27	OSCEOLA	4.4	61	UNION	3.3
28	SARASOTA	4.4	62	FRANKLIN	3.2
29	LAKE	4.4	63	WAKULLA	3.2
30	SANTA ROSA	4.4	64	OKALOOSA	3.1
31	DIXIE	4.3	65	LIBERTY	3.1
32	VOLUSIA	4.3	66	MONROE	2.9
33	TAYLOR	4.3	67	WALTON	2.4
34	JACKSON	4.3			

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STATE OF FLORIDA
 METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS (MSAs) AND METROPOLITAN DIVISIONS (MDs)
 RANKED BY UNEMPLOYMENT RATE
 (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)
 JULY 2007

1. Sebastian-Vero Beach MSA	6.6 %
2. Palm Coast MSA	5.9
3. Port St. Lucie MSA	5.9
4. Punta Gorda MSA	5.5
5. Naples-Marco Island MSA	4.9
United States	4.9
6. Ocala MSA	4.8
7. Lakeland MSA	4.8
8. Cape Coral-Ft. Myers MSA	4.7
9. West Palm Beach-Boca Raton-Boynton Beach MD	4.7
10. Palm Bay-Melbourne-Titusville MSA	4.5
11. Sarasota-Bradenton-Venice MSA	4.3
12. Deltona-Daytona Beach-Ormond Beach MSA	4.3
13. Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater MSA	4.3
14. Pensacola-Ferry Pass-Brent MSA	4.3
15. Jacksonville MSA	4.2
Florida	4.2
16. Miami-Ft. Lauderdale-Pompano Beach MSA	4.0
17. Orlando-Kissimmee MSA	4.0
18. Ft. Lauderdale-Pompano Beach-Deerfield Beach MD	3.8
19. Miami-Miami Beach-Kendall MD	3.8
20. Panama City-Lynn Haven MSA	3.6
21. Tallahassee MSA	3.5
22. Gainesville MSA	3.3
23. Ft. Walton Beach-Crestview-Destin MSA	3.1

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TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT
FLORIDA (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

Area	July 2007	June 2007	July 2006	Over-the-Month Change		Over-the-Year Change	
				Level	Percent	Level	Percent
Statewide	8,018,300	8,060,100	7,879,000	-41,800	-0.5%	+139,300	+1.8%
Cape Coral-Ft. Myers MSA	231,900	234,600	225,900	-2,700	-1.2%	+6,000	+2.7%
Deltona-Daytona Beach-Ormond Beach MSA	175,000	175,700	173,200	-700	-0.4%	+1,800	+1.0%
Ft. Lauderdale-Pompano Beach-Deerfield Beach MD	780,900	789,400	770,600	-8,500	-1.1%	+10,300	+1.3%
Ft. Walton Beach-Crestview-Destin MSA	89,100	89,800	88,700	-700	-0.8%	+400	+0.5%
Gainesville MSA	130,500	131,400	127,700	-900	-0.7%	+2,800	+2.2%
Jacksonville MSA	632,100	633,000	617,000	-900	-0.1%	+15,100	+2.4%
Lakeland MSA	219,100	221,800	214,800	-2,700	-1.2%	+4,300	+2.0%
Miami-Ft. Lauderdale-Pompano Beach MSA	2,405,100	2,430,400	2,366,300	-25,300	-1.0%	+38,800	+1.6%
Miami-Miami Beach-Kendall MD	1,038,600	1,049,300	1,023,100	-10,700	-1.0%	+15,500	+1.5%
Naples-Marco Island MSA	134,000	135,600	130,600	-1,600	-1.2%	+3,400	+2.6%
Ocala MSA	105,000	105,600	104,300	-600	-0.6%	+700	+0.7%
Orlando-Kissimmee MSA	1,090,400	1,095,700	1,061,500	-5,300	-0.5%	+28,900	+2.7%
Palm Bay-Melbourne-Titusville MSA	214,300	216,000	214,400	-1,700	-0.8%	-100	-0.0%
Panama City-Lynn Haven MSA	77,300	78,100	76,900	-800	-1.0%	+400	+0.5%
Pensacola-Ferry Pass-Brent MSA	170,300	171,800	169,100	-1,500	-0.9%	+1,200	+0.7%
Port St. Lucie MSA	131,100	132,400	129,300	-1,300	-1.0%	+1,800	+1.4%
Punta Gorda MSA	44,300	45,000	43,300	-700	-1.6%	+1,000	+2.3%
Sarasota-Bradenton-Venice MSA	305,800	308,300	303,200	-2,500	-0.8%	+2,600	+0.9%
Sebastian-Vero Beach MSA	48,100	48,500	47,500	-400	-0.8%	+600	+1.3%
Tallahassee MSA	176,000	176,300	173,000	-300	-0.2%	+3,000	+1.7%
Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater MSA	1,311,300	1,316,800	1,293,300	-5,500	-0.4%	+18,000	+1.4%
West Palm Beach-Boca Raton-Boynton Beach MD	585,600	591,700	572,600	-6,100	-1.0%	+13,000	+2.3%

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 August 17, 2007.

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