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CENTRAL FLORIDA UNEMPLOYMENT RATE 6.9 PERCENT

Orlando, FL - The unemployment rate in the Workforce Central Florida region (Lake, Orange, Osceola, Seminole, and Sumter counties) was 6.9 percent in June 2013. The region's jobless rate was down 1.9 percentage points from 8.8 percent a year ago and was 0.5 percentage point lower than the state rate of 7.4 percent. Out of a labor force of 1,204,818, there were 82,774 unemployed residents in the region.

Lake County's unemployment rate (7.6 percent) was the highest of the counties that comprise the Workforce Central Florida region. The unemployment rates in the other counties were: 7.4 percent in Osceola County, 6.8 percent in Orange County, 6.5 percent in Seminole County, and 6.0 percent in Sumter County.

Nonagricultural employment in the Orlando-Kissimmee-Sanford metro area (Lake, Orange, Osceola, and Seminole counties) was 1,053,800 in June 2013, an increase of 2.2 percent from year ago. Statewide, employment was up 1.6 percent for the same time period.

The metro area gained 22,700 jobs over the year, led by leisure and hospitality (+8,100 jobs). Other industries gaining jobs included trade, transportation, and utilities (+4,200 jobs); education and health services (+3,300 jobs); professional and business services (+3,100 jobs); financial activities (+2,100 jobs); mining, logging, and construction (+1,900 jobs); and government (+900 jobs). Other services was unchanged.

Only two major industries lost jobs over the year--manufacturing (-600 jobs) and information (-300 jobs).

The metro area's over-the-year growth rates in leisure and hospitality (+3.8 percent); financial activities (+3.1 percent); and education and health services (+2.6 percent) were stronger than the statewide growth rates in these industries. Government was up in the metro area but lost jobs statewide

Compared to the other metro areas in Florida, Orlando-Kissimmee-Sanford led the state in over-the-year job gains in leisure and hospitality. The area gained the second most total nonagricultural jobs over the year, behind only Tampa-St. Petersburg Clearwater.

Unemployment Rates (%) (not seasonally adjusted)			
	Jun-13	May-13	Jun-12
Workforce Central Florida Region	6.9	6.6	8.8
Lake County	7.6	7.3	9.4
Orange County	6.8	6.6	8.7
Osceola County	7.4	7.1	9.5
Seminole County	6.5	6.1	8.3
Sumter County	6.0	5.8	7.5
Florida	7.4	7.0	9.1
United States	7.8	7.3	8.4

Nonagricultural Employment by Industry (not seasonally adjusted)	Orlando-Kissimmee-Sanford Metropolitan Statistical Area				Florida			
	Jun-13	Jun-12	change	percent change	Jun-13	Jun-12	change	percent change
Total Employment	1,053,800	1,031,100	22,700	2.2	7,449,600	7,330,900	118,700	1.6
Mining, Logging, and Construction	46,500	44,600	1,900	4.3	363,200	348,300	14,900	4.3
Manufacturing	37,600	38,200	-600	-1.6	315,200	317,700	-2,500	-0.8
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	200,600	196,400	4,200	2.1	1,569,600	1,529,500	40,100	2.6
Wholesale Trade	40,000	39,000	1,000	2.6	319,800	317,300	2,500	0.8
Retail Trade	129,200	126,500	2,700	2.1	1,008,800	972,500	36,300	3.7
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	31,400	30,900	500	1.6	241,000	239,700	1,300	0.5
Information	23,300	23,600	-300	-1.3	134,800	133,600	1,200	0.9
Financial Activities	69,200	67,100	2,100	3.1	506,900	500,000	6,900	1.4
Professional and Business Services	172,600	169,500	3,100	1.8	1,092,000	1,070,400	21,600	2.0
Education and Health Services	131,400	128,100	3,300	2.6	1,117,900	1,104,100	13,800	1.2
Leisure and Hospitality	220,600	212,500	8,100	3.8	1,031,400	1,005,200	26,200	2.6
Other Services	44,800	44,800	0	0.0	318,600	316,400	2,200	0.7
Government	107,200	106,300	900	0.8	1,000,000	1,005,700	-5,700	-0.6

Population	2012	2011	change	percent change
Workforce Central Florida Region	2,284,786	2,250,676	34,110	1.5
Lake County	299,677	298,265	1,412	0.5
Orange County	1,175,941	1,157,342	18,599	1.6
Osceola County	280,866	273,867	6,999	2.6
Seminole County	428,104	424,587	3,517	0.8
Sumter County	100,198	96,615	3,583	3.7
Florida	19,074,434	18,905,048	169,386	0.9

Average Annual Wage	2012p	2011	change	percent change
Workforce Central Florida Region	\$40,813	\$40,044	\$769	1.9
Lake County	\$32,720	\$32,370	\$350	1.1
Orange County	\$42,842	\$42,065	\$777	1.8
Osceola County	\$33,799	\$33,030	\$769	2.3
Seminole County	\$40,254	\$39,363	\$891	2.3
Sumter County	\$35,894	\$34,913	\$981	2.8
Florida	\$43,210	\$42,312	\$898	2.1