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CENTRAL FLORIDA'S UNEMPLOYMENT RATE **AT 6.2 PERCENT FOR AUGUST 2014**

Orlando, FL – The unemployment rate in the CareerSource Central Florida region (Lake, Orange, Osceola, Seminole, and Sumter counties) was 6.2 percent in August 2014. The region's jobless rate was down 0.7 percentage point from 6.9 percent a year ago and was 0.5 percentage point lower than the state rate of 6.7 percent. Out of a labor force of 1,258,312, there were 78,466 unemployed residents in the region.

- The unemployment rates in the CareerSource Central Florida region were: 6.8 percent in Lake County, 6.2 percent in Orange County, 7.0 percent in Osceola County, 5.7 percent in Seminole County, and 5.6 percent in Sumter.
- Nonagricultural employment in the Orlando-Kissimmee-Sanford metro area (Lake, Orange, Osceola, and Seminole counties) was 1,105,000 in August 2014, an increase of 3.4 percent from year ago. Statewide, employment was up 2.7 percent from August 2013 to August 2014.
- The metro area gained 36,500 jobs over the year with most major industries gaining jobs. Leisure and hospitality (+11,500 jobs) gained the most, followed by professional and business services (+10,700 jobs); trade, transportation, and utilities (+6,100 jobs); mining, logging, and construction (+4,400 jobs); manufacturing (+1,500 jobs); education and health services (+1,400 jobs); other services and government (each +600 jobs); and information (+400 jobs).
- Financial activities (-700 jobs) was the only industry that lost jobs over the year.
- The metro area's over-the-year growth rates in professional and business services (+6.1 percent); leisure and hospitality (+5.2 percent); manufacturing (+3.9 percent); and information (+1.7 percent) were stronger than the statewide growth rates in these industries. Government was up in the metro area but lost jobs statewide.
- The Orlando-Kissimmee-Sanford metro area led all metro areas in Florida in over-the-year gains in total nonagricultural jobs in August 2014. The Orlando metro area led the state in over-the-year gains in leisure and hospitality; professional and business services; and mining, logging, and construction. The area ranked second in over-the-year gains in information (behind Ft. Lauderdale-Pompano Beach-Deerfield Beach).

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Unemployment Rates (%)			
(not seasonally adjusted)	Aug-14	Jul-14	Aug-13
CareerSource Central Florida	6.2	6.3	6.9
Lake County	6.8	6.9	7.7
Orange County	6.2	6.3	6.9
Osceola County	7.0	6.9	7.6
Seminole County	5.7	5.8	6.4
Sumter County	5.6	5.6	6.1
Florida	6.7	6.6	7.4
United States	6.3	6.5	7.3

Nonagricultural Employment by Industry (not seasonally adjusted)	Orlando-Kissimmee-Sanford Metropolitan Statistical Area				Florida			
	Aug-14	Aug-13	change	percent change	Aug-14	Aug-13	change	percent change
Total Employment	1,105,000	1,068,500	36,500	3.4	7,767,800	7,565,300	202,500	2.7
Mining, Logging, and Construction	57,000	52,600	4,400	8.4	422,900	382,100	40,800	10.7
Manufacturing	39,700	38,200	1,500	3.9	328,300	322,700	5,600	1.7
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	210,300	204,200	6,100	3.0	1,610,600	1,563,800	46,800	3.0
Wholesale Trade	41,500	40,100	1,400	3.5	327,100	320,600	6,500	2.0
Retail Trade	136,700	133,000	3,700	2.8	1,030,100	997,900	32,200	3.2
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	32,100	31,100	1,000	3.2	253,400	245,300	8,100	3.3
Information	24,300	23,900	400	1.7	135,200	134,500	700	0.5
Financial Activities	69,400	70,100	-700	-1.0	527,100	515,600	11,500	2.2
Professional and Business Services	185,900	175,200	10,700	6.1	1,160,600	1,119,500	41,100	3.7
Education and Health Services	132,400	131,000	1,400	1.1	1,142,300	1,120,500	21,800	2.0
Leisure and Hospitality	231,000	219,500	11,500	5.2	1,059,600	1,029,300	30,300	2.9
Other Services	36,200	35,600	600	1.7	310,900	305,500	5,400	1.8
Government	118,800	118,200	600	0.5	1,070,300	1,071,800	-1,500	-0.1

Population	2013	2012	change	percent change
CareerSource Central Florida	2,330,834	2,284,786	46,048	2.0
Lake County	303,317	299,677	3,640	1.2
Orange County	1,202,978	1,175,941	27,037	2.3
Osceola County	288,361	280,866	7,495	2.7
Seminole County	431,074	428,104	2,970	0.7
Sumter County	105,104	100,198	4,906	4.9
Florida	19,259,543	19,074,434	185,109	1.0

Average Annual Wage	2013	2012	change	percent change
CareerSource Central Florida	\$41,260	\$40,813	\$447	1.1
Lake County	\$33,397	\$32,724	\$673	2.1
Orange County	\$43,142	\$42,840	\$302	0.7
Osceola County	\$34,151	\$33,799	\$352	1.0
Seminole County	\$40,954	\$40,257	\$697	1.7
Sumter County	\$37,575	\$35,894	\$1,681	4.7
Florida	\$43,651	\$43,210	\$441	1.0

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