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Central Florida’s Unemployment Rate At 15.1% for July 2020, 3.8 Percentage Point Higher than the State

Orlando, Fla.,— The unemployment rate in the CareerSource Central Florida (CSCF) region (Lake, Orange, Osceola, Seminole, and Sumter counties) was 15.1% in July 2020, which was higher than the state’s rate of 11.3%. This rate was 11.8 percentage point higher than the region’s rate of 3.3% during the same timeframe last year. The labor force was 1,384,716 down 21,624 (-1.5) over the year. There were 209,720 unemployed residents in the region.

Unemployment Rates

Central Florida’s Lowest Unemployment Rates:

- Sumter County had the lowest unemployment rate (10.0%) in the CSCF region followed by Seminole County (10.5%), Lake County (12.4%), Orange County (16.1%), and Osceola County (20.2%).

Unemployment Rates (not seasonally adjusted)			
	Jul-20	Jun-20	Jul-19
CareerSource Central Florida	15.1%	16.0%	3.3%
Lake County	12.4%	13.8%	3.5%
Orange County	16.1%	16.9%	3.2%
Osceola County	20.2%	22.3%	3.6%
Seminole County	10.5%	10.0%	3.1%
Sumter County	10.0%	9.4%	4.8%
Florida	11.5%	10.5%	3.4%
United States	10.5%	11.2%	4.0%

Job Growth Trends

Orlando-Kissimmee-Sanford MSA:

- Nonagricultural employment was 1,196,600, a decrease of 117,600 Jobs (-8.9%) Over the Year.
- Industries losing jobs over the year were:
 - Leisure and Hospitality (-83,000 Jobs)
 - Professional Businesses and Services (-11,400 Jobs)
 - Trade, Transportation, and Utilities (-7,700 Jobs)
 - Education and Health Services (-3,400 Jobs)
 - Government (-3,200 Jobs)
 - Financial Activities (-1,800 Jobs)

*Compared to all Metro Areas in the State
Source: Florida Department of Economic Opportunity, Bureau of Workforce Statistics and Economic Research.



- Mining, Logging and Construction (-1,600 Jobs)
- Information (-1,500 Jobs)
- Manufacturing (-600 Jobs)

The Villages MSA:

- Nonagricultural employment was 30,900, an increase of 300 Jobs (+1.0%) Over the Year

Additional Information

Nonagricultural Employment by Industry (not seasonally adjusted)	Orlando-Kissimmee-Sanford Metropolitan Statistical Area				Florida			
	Jul-20	Jul-19	change	percent change	Jul-20	Jul-19	change	percent change
Total Employment	1,196,600	1,314,200	-117,600	-8.9	8,347,400	8,821,700	-474,300	-5.4
Mining, Logging, and Construction	85,000	86,600	-1,600	-1.8	572,400	571,600	800	0.1
Manufacturing	48,900	49,500	-600	-1.2	373,500	384,500	-11,000	-2.9
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	233,300	241,000	-7,700	-3.2	1,730,000	1,787,500	-57,500	-3.2
Wholesale Trade	44,800	46,200	-1,400	-3.0	340,400	353,000	-12,600	-3.6
Retail Trade	142,200	149,700	-7,500	-5.0	1,057,800	1,096,300	-38,500	-3.5
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	46,300	45,100	1,200	2.7	331,800	338,200	-6,400	-1.9
Information	24,100	25,600	-1,500	-5.9	126,900	138,500	-11,600	-8.4
Financial Activities	76,600	78,400	-1,800	-2.3	583,600	591,900	-8,300	-1.4
Professional and Business Services	225,100	236,500	-11,400	-4.8	1,311,800	1,391,100	-79,300	-5.7
Education and Health Services	153,800	157,200	-3,400	-2.2	1,295,300	1,318,500	-23,200	-1.8
Leisure and Hospitality	192,800	275,800	-83,000	-30.1	1,004,600	1,245,700	-241,100	-19.4
Other Services	41,400	44,800	-3,400	-7.6	320,600	353,300	-32,700	-9.3
Government	115,600	118,800	-3,200	-2.7	1,028,700	1,039,100	-10,400	-1.0

Population	2019	2018	change	percent change
CareerSource Central Florida	2,740,567	2,703,557	37,010	1.4
Lake County	367,118	356,720	10,398	2.9
Orange County	1,393,452	1,381,540	11,912	0.9
Osceola County	375,751	368,456	7,295	2.0
Seminole County	471,826	468,122	3,704	0.8
Sumter County	132,420	128,719	3,701	2.9
Florida	21,477,737	21,244,317	233,420	1.1

Average Annual Wage	2019	2018	change	percent change
CareerSource Central Florida	\$49,160	\$47,715	\$1,445	3.0
Lake County	\$39,070	\$38,235	\$835	2.2
Orange County	\$51,526	\$49,944	\$1,582	3.2
Osceola County	\$38,807	\$37,709	\$1,098	2.9
Seminole County	\$50,139	\$48,710	\$1,429	2.9
Sumter County	\$42,794	\$41,043	\$1,751	4.3
Florida	\$51,761	\$50,092	\$1,669	3.3

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