

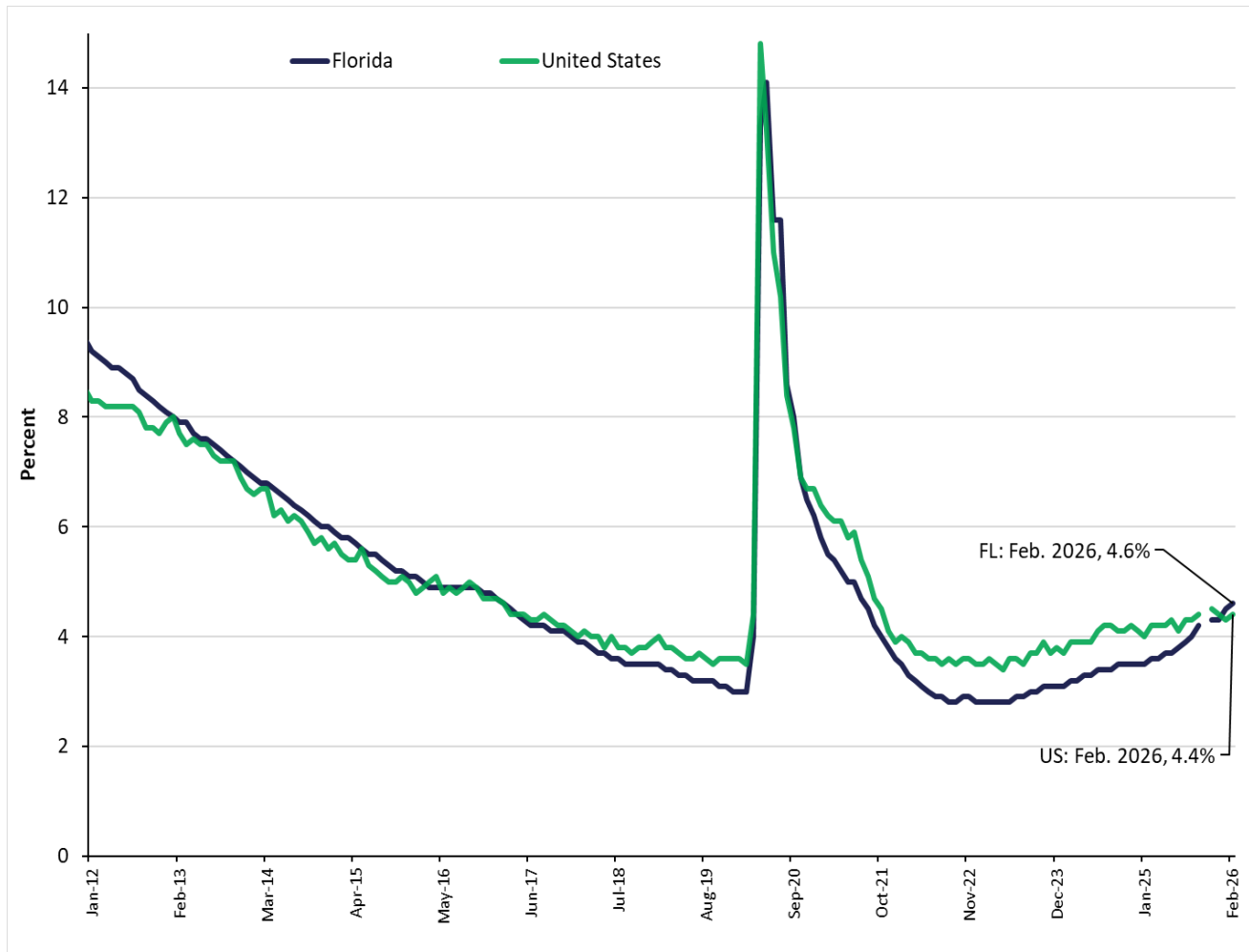
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### Florida's February Figures Released

Florida's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 4.6 percent in February 2026, up 0.1 percentage point from the January 2026 rate, and up 1.0 percentage point from a year ago. There were 516,000 jobless Floridians out of a labor force of 11,141,000. The U.S. seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 4.4 percent in February.

Florida's seasonally adjusted total nonagricultural employment was 9,969,200 in February 2026, an increase of 1,800 jobs (less than +0.1 percent) over the month. The state lost 36,700 jobs over the year, a decrease of 0.4 percent. Nationally, the number of jobs rose 0.1 percent over the year.

**United States and Florida Unemployment Rates (seasonally adjusted)**



Source: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Local Area Unemployment Statistics Program, in cooperation with the Florida Department of Commerce, Bureau of Workforce Statistics and Economic Research.

## Florida's Nonagricultural Employment by Industry (Seasonally Adjusted)

- Nine of ten major industries experienced negative over-the-year job growth in February.
- The industry gaining jobs over the year was only education and health services (+35,500 jobs, +2.2 percent).
- The industries losing jobs over the year included professional and business services (-12,100 jobs, -0.7 percent); total government (-11,100 jobs, -1.0 percent); leisure and hospitality (-10,300 jobs, -0.8 percent); trade, transportation, and utilities (-9,100 jobs, -0.5 percent); construction (-9,100 jobs, -1.4 percent); other services (-8,100 jobs, -2.1 percent); financial activities (-7,500 jobs, -1.1 percent); information (-5,000 jobs, -3.2 percent), and manufacturing (-100 jobs, less than 0.1 percent).

## Local Area Unemployment Statistics (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

- In February 2026, Miami-Dade County had the state's lowest unemployment rate (2.8 percent), followed by Monroe County (3.5 percent), and Wakulla County (4.3 percent).
- Taylor County had the highest unemployment rate (9.3 percent) in Florida in February 2026, followed by Sumter County (8.8 percent), and Citrus County and Hamilton County (7.1 percent each).

## Area Nonagricultural Employment (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

- In February 2026, 9 of all 25 metro areas in Florida had over-the-year job gains. The areas with the largest gains were the Lakeland-Winter Haven MSA (+1,800 jobs, +0.6 percent) and the Ocala MSA (+1,800 jobs, +1.4 percent), followed by the Orlando-Kissimmee-Sanford MSA (+1,500 jobs, +0.1 percent), and the Pensacola-Ferry Pass-Brent MSA (+1,100 jobs, +0.5 percent).
- Fifteen metro areas in Florida lost jobs over the year in February 2026. The areas losing more than 3,000 jobs were the West Palm Beach-Boca Raton-Delray Beach MD (-10,500 jobs, -1.5 percent), the Fort Lauderdale-Pompano Beach-Sunrise MD (-9,400 jobs, -1.0 percent), the Cape Coral-Fort Myers MSA (-4,600 jobs, -1.4 percent), the Naples-Marco Island MSA (-4,300 jobs, -2.3 percent), the Jacksonville MSA (-3,500 jobs, -0.4 percent), and the Tampa Division (-3,100 jobs, -0.3 percent).
- The Sebring MSA was unchanged in jobs over the year.

The unemployment and job growth rates are estimates, which are primarily based on surveys created and mandated by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics in cooperation with the Florida Department of Commerce.

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

Procedures mandated by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics may result in more variable month-to-month changes. For further information, go to: <https://www.bls.gov/sae/>

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*Labor market data for March 2026 will be released on May 1, 2026, at 10:00 A.M.*

LABOR FORCE STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN NONINSTITUTIONAL POPULATION  
RELEASE DATE: APRIL 17, 2026

**SEASONALLY ADJUSTED**

	Current Month February 2026	Month Ago January 2026	Year Ago February 2025	Over-the-Month Change		Over-the-Year Change	
				Level	Percent	Level	Percent
<b>STATE OF FLORIDA</b>							
Civilian Noninstitutional Population 16+	19,314,000	19,306,000	19,161,000	8,000	*	153,000	0.8
Civilian Labor Force	11,141,000	11,124,000	11,125,000	17,000	0.2	16,000	0.1
Employment	10,625,000	10,625,000	10,727,000	0	0.0	-102,000	-1.0
Unemployment	516,000	499,000	398,000	17,000	3.4	118,000	29.6
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.6	4.5	3.6	0.1	--	1.0	--

**UNITED STATES**

Civilian Noninstitutional Population 16+	274,766,000	274,676,000	272,847,000	90,000	*	1,919,000	0.7
Civilian Labor Force	170,483,000	170,465,000	170,441,000	18,000	*	42,000	*
Employment	162,912,000	163,097,000	163,338,000	-185,000	-0.1	-426,000	-0.3
Unemployment	7,571,000	7,368,000	7,104,000	203,000	2.8	467,000	6.6
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.4	4.3	4.2	0.1	--	0.2	--

**NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED**

	Current Month February 2026	Month Ago January 2026	Year Ago February 2025	Over-the-Month Change		Over-the-Year Change	
				Level	Percent	Level	Percent
<b>STATE OF FLORIDA</b>							
Civilian Noninstitutional Population 16+	19,314,000	19,306,000	19,161,000	8,000	*	153,000	0.8
Civilian Labor Force	11,149,000	11,056,000	11,088,000	93,000	0.8	61,000	0.6
Employment	10,618,000	10,514,000	10,702,000	104,000	1.0	-84,000	-0.8
Unemployment	531,000	542,000	387,000	-11,000	-2.0	144,000	37.2
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.8	4.9	3.5	-0.1	--	1.3	--

**UNITED STATES**

Civilian Noninstitutional Population 16+	274,766,000	274,676,000	272,847,000	90,000	*	1,919,000	0.7
Civilian Labor Force	170,206,000	169,612,000	170,116,000	594,000	0.4	90,000	0.1
Employment	162,153,000	161,670,000	162,544,000	483,000	0.3	-391,000	-0.2
Unemployment	8,052,000	7,942,000	7,572,000	110,000	1.4	480,000	6.3
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.7	4.7	4.5	0.0	--	0.2	--

\* = less than 0.1 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: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Local Area Unemployment Statistics Program, in cooperation with the Florida Department of Commerce, Bureau of Workforce Statistics and Economic Research.

## Nonagricultural Employment in Florida Seasonally Adjusted

	February <sup>p</sup> 2026	January <sup>r</sup> 2026	February 2025	Over-the-Month Change		Over-the-Year Change	
				Level	Percent	Level	Percent
Total Nonagricultural Employment	9,969,200	9,967,400	10,005,900	1,800	*	-36,700	-0.4%
Total Private	8,828,300	8,827,800	8,853,900	500	*	-25,600	-0.3%
Goods Producing	1,083,100	1,082,100	1,092,100	1,000	0.1%	-9,000	-0.8%
Mining, Logging, and Construction	654,600	653,400	663,500	1,200	0.2%	-8,900	-1.3%
Construction	648,800	647,700	657,900	1,100	0.2%	-9,100	-1.4%
Manufacturing	428,500	428,700	428,600	-200	*	-100	*
Durable Goods	297,100	297,400	295,000	-300	-0.1%	2,100	0.7%
Nondurable Goods	131,400	131,300	133,600	100	0.1%	-2,200	-1.6%
Service Producing	8,886,100	8,885,300	8,913,800	800	*	-27,700	-0.3%
Private Service Providing	7,745,200	7,745,700	7,761,800	-500	*	-16,600	-0.2%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	1,984,500	1,982,900	1,993,600	1,600	0.1%	-9,100	-0.5%
Wholesale Trade	401,700	400,600	398,200	1,100	0.3%	3,500	0.9%
Retail Trade	1,142,300	1,140,200	1,154,200	2,100	0.2%	-11,900	-1.0%
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	440,500	442,100	441,200	-1,600	-0.4%	-700	-0.2%
Information	149,800	152,300	154,800	-2,500	-1.6%	-5,000	-3.2%
Financial Activities	684,300	680,500	691,800	3,800	0.6%	-7,500	-1.1%
Finance and Insurance	463,300	459,000	469,500	4,300	0.9%	-6,200	-1.3%
Real Estate, Rental, and Leasing	221,000	221,500	222,300	-500	-0.2%	-1,300	-0.6%
Professional and Business Services	1,608,400	1,606,900	1,620,500	1,500	0.1%	-12,100	-0.7%
Professional and Technical Services	768,100	767,700	763,100	400	0.1%	5,000	0.7%
Management of Companies and Enterprises	139,200	139,900	138,100	-700	-0.5%	1,100	0.8%
Administrative and Waste Services	701,100	699,300	719,300	1,800	0.3%	-18,200	-2.5%
Education and Health Services	1,616,800	1,618,200	1,581,300	-1,400	-0.1%	35,500	2.2%
Educational Services	224,800	225,500	219,200	-700	-0.3%	5,600	2.6%
Health Care and Social Assistance	1,392,000	1,392,700	1,362,100	-700	-0.1%	29,900	2.2%
Leisure and Hospitality	1,323,600	1,327,600	1,333,900	-4,000	-0.3%	-10,300	-0.8%
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	283,700	284,100	271,800	-400	-0.1%	11,900	4.4%
Accommodation and Food Services	1,039,900	1,043,500	1,062,100	-3,600	-0.3%	-22,200	-2.1%
Other Services	377,800	377,300	385,900	500	0.1%	-8,100	-2.1%

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## Nonagricultural Employment in Florida Seasonally Adjusted

	February <sup>p</sup> 2026	January <sup>r</sup> 2026	February 2025	Over-the-Month Change		Over-the-Year Change	
				Level	Percent	Level	Percent
Total Government	1,140,900	1,139,600	1,152,000	1,300	0.1%	-11,100	-1.0%
Federal Government	151,100	151,300	163,400	-200	-0.1%	-12,300	-7.5%
State Government	255,500	254,500	256,500	1,000	0.4%	-1,000	-0.4%
Local Government	734,300	733,800	732,100	500	0.1%	2,200	0.3%

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p = preliminary, r = revised

\* - less than 0.1 percent

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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Series	Industry Title	February 2026	January 2026	February 2025	Change from			
					Jan 2026 to Feb 2026 Level	Feb 2026 Percent	Feb 2025 to Feb 2026 Level	Feb 2025 to Feb 2026 Percent
00000000	Total Nonfarm	9,998,900	9,949,900	10,042,100	49,000	0.5%	-43,200	-0.4%
05000000	Total Private	8,836,800	8,799,100	8,868,700	37,700	0.4%	-31,900	-0.4%
06000000	Goods Producing	1,081,300	1,074,000	1,091,800	7,300	0.7%	-10,500	-1.0%
07000000	Service-Providing	8,917,600	8,875,900	8,950,300	41,700	0.5%	-32,700	-0.4%
08000000	Private Service Providing	7,755,500	7,725,100	7,776,900	30,400	0.4%	-21,400	-0.3%
10000000	Mining and Logging	5,800	5,700	5,700	100	1.8%	100	1.8%
10212000	Mining (except Oil and Gas)	3,400	3,400	3,400	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
15000000	Mining, Logging and Construction	653,000	648,900	662,800	4,100	0.6%	-9,800	-1.5%
20000000	Construction	647,200	643,200	657,100	4,000	0.6%	-9,900	-1.5%
20236000	Construction of Buildings	134,000	133,600	133,600	400	0.3%	400	0.3%
20237000	Heavy and Civil Engineering Construction	87,100	85,300	85,500	1,800	2.1%	1,600	1.9%
20238000	Specialty Trade Contractors	426,100	424,300	438,000	1,800	0.4%	-11,900	-2.7%
20238200	Building Equipment Contractors	195,100	194,200	194,700	900	0.5%	400	0.2%
30000000	Manufacturing	428,300	425,100	429,000	3,200	0.8%	-700	-0.2%
31000000	Durable Goods	297,300	295,000	295,100	2,300	0.8%	2,200	0.7%
31332000	Fabricated Metal Product Manufacturing	46,200	45,800	45,700	400	0.9%	500	1.1%
31334000	Computer and Electronic Product Manufacturing	47,100	46,800	47,300	300	0.6%	-200	-0.4%
31334200	Communications Equipment Manufacturing	5,500	5,400	5,400	100	1.9%	100	1.9%
31336000	Transportation Equipment Manufacturing	58,900	58,600	57,800	300	0.5%	1,100	1.9%
31336400	Aerospace Product and Parts Manufacturing	36,400	36,200	34,600	200	0.6%	1,800	5.2%
31339000	Miscellaneous Manufacturing	37,500	37,300	37,400	200	0.5%	100	0.3%
32000000	Non-Durable Goods	131,000	130,100	133,900	900	0.7%	-2,900	-2.2%
32311000	Food Manufacturing	38,600	38,400	39,800	200	0.5%	-1,200	-3.0%
32312000	Beverage and Tobacco Product Manufacturing	13,400	13,300	14,000	100	0.8%	-600	-4.3%
32322000	Paper Manufacturing	7,300	7,300	7,500	0	0.0%	-200	-2.7%
32323000	Printing and Related Support Activities	14,900	14,800	15,500	100	0.7%	-600	-3.9%
32325000	Chemical Manufacturing	28,800	28,600	29,500	200	0.7%	-700	-2.4%
40000000	Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	1,984,400	1,989,500	1,991,200	-5,100	-0.3%	-6,800	-0.3%
<b>41000000</b>	<b>Wholesale Trade</b>	<b>401,600</b>	<b>399,100</b>	<b>398,100</b>	<b>2,500</b>	<b>0.6%</b>	<b>3,500</b>	<b>0.9%</b>
41423000	Merchant Wholesalers, Durable Goods	219,000	218,800	217,400	200	0.1%	1,600	0.7%
41423400	Professional and Commercial Equipment and Supplies Merchant Wholesalers	58,800	59,400	58,200	-600	-1.0%	600	1.0%
41423600	Household Appliances and Electrical and Electronic Goods Merchant Wholesalers	24,600	24,500	24,800	100	0.4%	-200	-0.8%
41423800	Machinery, Equipment, and Supplies Merchant Wholesalers	41,000	40,700	40,100	300	0.7%	900	2.2%
41424000	Merchant Wholesalers, Nondurable Goods	158,500	156,300	156,600	2,200	1.4%	1,900	1.2%
41424400	Grocery and Related Product Merchant Wholesalers	65,400	64,300	64,200	1,100	1.7%	1,200	1.9%
41425000	Wholesale Trade Agents and Brokers	24,100	24,000	24,100	100	0.4%	0	0.0%
<b>42000000</b>	<b>Retail Trade</b>	<b>1,143,000</b>	<b>1,141,700</b>	<b>1,153,100</b>	<b>1,300</b>	<b>0.1%</b>	<b>-10,100</b>	<b>-0.9%</b>
42441000	Motor Vehicle and Parts Dealers	164,200	163,500	163,900	700	0.4%	300	0.2%
42441100	Automobile Dealers	104,400	103,600	103,700	800	0.8%	700	0.7%

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42444000	Building Material and Garden Equipment and Supplies Dealers	96,500	95,900	99,000	600	0.6%	-2,500	-2.5%
42445000	Food and Beverage Retailers	273,800	272,100	274,900	1,700	0.6%	-1,100	-0.4%
42449000	Furniture, Home Furnishings, Electronics, and Appliance Retailers	60,800	61,400	64,100	-600	-1.0%	-3,300	-5.1%
42449100	Furniture and Home Furnishings Retailers	31,800	32,200	34,000	-400	-1.2%	-2,200	-6.5%
42449200	Electronics and Appliance Retailers	29,000	29,200	30,100	-200	-0.7%	-1,100	-3.7%
42455000	General Merchandise Retailers	221,500	222,600	220,800	-1,100	-0.5%	700	0.3%
42455100	Department Stores	60,300	62,300	62,900	-2,000	-3.2%	-2,600	-4.1%
42455200	Warehouse Clubs, Supercenters, and Other General Merchandise Retailers	161,200	160,300	157,900	900	0.6%	3,300	2.1%
42456000	Health and Personal Care Retailers	84,800	86,000	87,200	-1,200	-1.4%	-2,400	-2.8%
42457000	Gasoline Stations and Fuel Dealers	48,800	48,700	48,500	100	0.2%	300	0.6%
42458000	Clothing, Clothing Accessories, Shoe, and Jewelry Retailers	97,900	97,400	95,100	500	0.5%	2,800	2.9%
42459000	Sporting Goods, Hobby, Musical Instrument, Book, and Miscellaneous Retailers	94,700	94,100	99,600	600	0.6%	-4,900	-4.9%
<b>43000000</b>	<b>Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities</b>	<b>439,800</b>	<b>448,700</b>	<b>440,000</b>	<b>-8,900</b>	<b>-2.0%</b>	<b>-200</b>	<b>*</b>
43220000	Utilities	26,900	26,900	26,300	0	0.0%	600	2.3%
43400089	Transportation and Warehousing	412,900	421,800	413,700	-8,900	-2.1%	-800	-0.2%
43481000	Air Transportation	57,400	57,300	58,700	100	0.2%	-1,300	-2.2%
43483000	Water Transportation	20,900	21,000	20,300	-100	-0.5%	600	3.0%
43484000	Truck Transportation	64,500	63,500	64,800	1,000	1.6%	-300	-0.5%
43488000	Support Activities for Transportation	73,800	72,900	75,200	900	1.2%	-1,400	-1.9%
43492000	Couriers and Messengers	61,300	67,300	64,300	-6,000	-8.9%	-3,000	-4.7%
43493000	Warehousing and Storage	105,900	109,900	103,400	-4,000	-3.6%	2,500	2.4%
50000000	Information	150,500	152,400	155,700	-1,900	-1.2%	-5,200	-3.3%
50513000	Publishing Industries	41,000	41,700	43,300	-700	-1.7%	-2,300	-5.3%
50516000	Broadcasting and Content Providers	15,900	16,000	16,400	-100	-0.6%	-500	-3.0%
50517000	Telecommunications	44,200	44,900	45,300	-700	-1.6%	-1,100	-2.4%
50517111	Wired Telecommunications Carriers	32,900	33,500	34,300	-600	-1.8%	-1,400	-4.1%
50518000	Computing Infrastructure Providers, Data Processing, Web Hosting, and Related	28,000	28,300	29,000	-300	-1.1%	-1,000	-3.4%
55000000	Financial Activities	681,600	676,600	689,100	5,000	0.7%	-7,500	-1.1%
<b>55520000</b>	<b>Finance and Insurance</b>	<b>462,000</b>	<b>456,800</b>	<b>468,600</b>	<b>5,200</b>	<b>1.1%</b>	<b>-6,600</b>	<b>-1.4%</b>
55522000	Credit Intermediation and Related Activities including Monetary Authorities - Cen	179,000	174,500	179,900	4,500	2.6%	-900	-0.5%
55522100	Depository Credit Intermediation including Monetary Authorities - Central Bank	124,500	121,300	123,500	3,200	2.6%	1,000	0.8%
55524000	Insurance Carriers and Related Activities	214,000	213,700	220,900	300	0.1%	-6,900	-3.1%
55524100	Insurance Carriers	98,600	98,700	100,600	-100	-0.1%	-2,000	-2.0%
55524200	Agencies, Brokerages, and Other Insurance Related Activities	115,400	115,000	120,300	400	0.3%	-4,900	-4.1%
<b>55530000</b>	<b>Real Estate and Rental and Leasing</b>	<b>219,600</b>	<b>219,800</b>	<b>220,500</b>	<b>-200</b>	<b>-0.1%</b>	<b>-900</b>	<b>-0.4%</b>
55531000	Real Estate	169,600	169,600	169,200	0	0.0%	400	0.2%
60000000	Professional and Business Services	1,603,200	1,590,000	1,619,700	13,200	0.8%	-16,500	-1.0%
<b>60540000</b>	<b>Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services</b>	<b>769,400</b>	<b>763,700</b>	<b>764,900</b>	<b>5,700</b>	<b>0.7%</b>	<b>4,500</b>	<b>0.6%</b>
60541100	Legal Services	113,200	113,300	112,900	-100	-0.1%	300	0.3%

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60541200	Accounting, Tax Preparation, Bookkeeping, and Payroll Services	92,300	92,100	92,600	200	0.2%	-300	-0.3%
60541300	Architectural, Engineering, and Related Services	113,700	113,100	112,100	600	0.5%	1,600	1.4%
60541500	Computer Systems Design and Related Services	140,100	138,700	140,000	1,400	1.0%	100	0.1%
60541600	Management, Scientific, and Technical Consulting Services	170,100	166,000	165,000	4,100	2.5%	5,100	3.1%
<b>60550000</b>	<b>Management of Companies and Enterprises</b>	<b>138,500</b>	<b>139,600</b>	<b>138,200</b>	<b>-1,100</b>	<b>-0.8%</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>0.2%</b>
<b>60560000</b>	<b>Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services</b>	<b>695,300</b>	<b>686,700</b>	<b>716,600</b>	<b>8,600</b>	<b>1.3%</b>	<b>-21,300</b>	<b>-3.0%</b>
60561000	Administrative and Support Services	662,200	653,700	682,700	8,500	1.3%	-20,500	-3.0%
60561300	Employment Services	203,400	199,900	217,800	3,500	1.8%	-14,400	-6.6%
60561400	Business Support Services	68,900	68,300	70,200	600	0.9%	-1,300	-1.9%
60561500	Travel Arrangement and Reservation Services	27,500	27,300	28,300	200	0.7%	-800	-2.8%
60561600	Investigation and Security Services	78,600	76,900	80,100	1,700	2.2%	-1,500	-1.9%
60561700	Services to Buildings and Dwellings	199,400	195,700	198,800	3,700	1.9%	600	0.3%
60562000	Waste Management and Remediation Services	33,100	33,000	33,900	100	0.3%	-800	-2.4%
65000000	Private Education and Health Services	1,621,300	1,616,700	1,589,800	4,600	0.3%	31,500	2.0%
<b>65610000</b>	<b>Private Educational Services</b>	<b>230,700</b>	<b>225,600</b>	<b>225,900</b>	<b>5,100</b>	<b>2.3%</b>	<b>4,800</b>	<b>2.1%</b>
65611100	Private Elementary and Secondary Schools	90,600	90,300	90,000	300	0.3%	600	0.7%
65611300	Private Colleges, Universities, and Professional Schools	72,300	68,900	72,100	3,400	4.9%	200	0.3%
<b>65620000</b>	<b>Health Care and Social Assistance</b>	<b>1,390,600</b>	<b>1,391,100</b>	<b>1,363,900</b>	<b>-500</b>	<b>*</b>	<b>26,700</b>	<b>2.0%</b>
65621000	Ambulatory Health Care Services	627,100	627,400	621,400	-300	*	5,700	0.9%
65621100	Offices of Physicians	262,600	263,800	261,000	-1,200	-0.5%	1,600	0.6%
65621600	Home Health Care Services	91,800	92,000	88,800	-200	-0.2%	3,000	3.4%
65622000	Hospitals	399,500	398,600	384,700	900	0.2%	14,800	3.8%
<b>65623000</b>	<b>Nursing and Residential Care Facilities</b>	<b>201,900</b>	<b>203,000</b>	<b>197,600</b>	<b>-1,100</b>	<b>-0.5%</b>	<b>4,300</b>	<b>2.2%</b>
65623100	Nursing Care Facilities (Skilled Nursing Facilities)	94,600	95,200	92,100	-600	-0.6%	2,500	2.7%
65623300	Continuing Care Retirement Communities and Assisted Living Facilities for the Elderly	73,700	74,100	71,500	-400	-0.5%	2,200	3.1%
65624000	Social Assistance	162,100	162,100	160,200	0	0.0%	1,900	1.2%
70000000	Leisure and Hospitality	1,337,100	1,322,700	1,345,100	14,400	1.1%	-8,000	-0.6%
<b>70710000</b>	<b>Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation</b>	<b>288,900</b>	<b>283,700</b>	<b>274,800</b>	<b>5,200</b>	<b>1.8%</b>	<b>14,100</b>	<b>5.1%</b>
70713000	Amusement, Gambling, and Recreation Industries	229,100	227,400	216,200	1,700	0.7%	12,900	6.0%
70713100	Amusement Parks and Arcades	90,400	89,900	84,500	500	0.6%	5,900	7.0%
<b>70720000</b>	<b>Accommodation and Food Services</b>	<b>1,048,200</b>	<b>1,039,000</b>	<b>1,070,300</b>	<b>9,200</b>	<b>0.9%</b>	<b>-22,100</b>	<b>-2.1%</b>
70721000	Accommodation	196,500	193,700	201,000	2,800	1.4%	-4,500	-2.2%
70722000	Food Services and Drinking Places	851,700	845,300	869,300	6,400	0.8%	-17,600	-2.0%
80000000	Other Services	377,400	377,200	386,300	200	0.1%	-8,900	-2.3%
80811000	Repair and Maintenance	93,900	93,000	97,700	900	1.0%	-3,800	-3.9%
80811100	Automotive Repair and Maintenance	61,100	60,500	64,400	600	1.0%	-3,300	-5.1%
80812000	Personal and Laundry Services	108,500	108,500	111,900	0	0.0%	-3,400	-3.0%
80813000	Religious, Grantmaking, Civic, Professional, and Similar Organizations	175,000	175,700	176,700	-700	-0.4%	-1,700	-1.0%
90000000	Government	1,162,100	1,150,800	1,173,400	11,300	1.0%	-11,300	-1.0%

Source: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Current Employment Statistics Program.

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**NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT IN FLORIDA  
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Series	Industry Title	February 2026	January 2026	February 2025	Change from			
					Jan 2026 to Feb 2026 Level	Feb 2026 Percent	Feb 2025 to Feb 2026 Level	Feb 2025 to Feb 2026 Percent
<b>90910000</b>	<b>Federal Government</b>	<b>151,300</b>	<b>150,900</b>	<b>163,400</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>0.3%</b>	<b>-12,100</b>	<b>-7.4%</b>
<b>90920000</b>	<b>State Government</b>	<b>262,600</b>	<b>254,100</b>	<b>263,000</b>	<b>8,500</b>	<b>3.3%</b>	<b>-400</b>	<b>-0.2%</b>
90921611	State Government Educational Services	151,900	143,500	151,500	8,400	5.9%	400	0.3%
90922000	State Government Excluding Education	110,700	110,600	111,500	100	0.1%	-800	-0.7%
<b>90930000</b>	<b>Local Government</b>	<b>748,200</b>	<b>745,800</b>	<b>747,000</b>	<b>2,400</b>	<b>0.3%</b>	<b>1,200</b>	<b>0.2%</b>
90931611	Local Government Educational Services	349,100	348,200	354,500	900	0.3%	-5,400	-1.5%
90932000	Local Government excluding Educational Services	399,100	397,600	392,500	1,500	0.4%	6,600	1.7%

\* - less than 0.1 percent

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	FEBRUARY 2026				JANUARY 2026				FEBRUARY 2025			
	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 County	144,421	136,556	7,865	5.4%	142,218	134,303	7,915	5.6%	143,301	137,810	5,491	3.8%
Baker County	12,084	11,484	600	5.0%	12,016	11,402	614	5.1%	12,029	11,577	452	3.8%
Bay County	92,937	88,224	4,713	5.1%	92,192	87,160	5,032	5.5%	91,951	88,612	3,339	3.6%
Bradford County	10,568	9,964	604	5.7%	10,450	9,847	603	5.8%	10,468	10,057	411	3.9%
Brevard County	305,471	289,887	15,584	5.1%	303,278	287,190	16,088	5.3%	303,791	292,515	11,276	3.7%
Broward County	1,075,893	1,026,861	49,032	4.6%	1,066,322	1,015,750	50,572	4.7%	1,076,588	1,041,218	35,370	3.3%
Calhoun County	5,075	4,792	283	5.6%	5,050	4,753	297	5.9%	5,029	4,834	195	3.9%
Charlotte County	78,601	73,765	4,836	6.2%	77,978	72,948	5,030	6.5%	78,638	75,201	3,437	4.4%
Citrus County	55,335	51,379	3,956	7.1%	54,914	50,815	4,099	7.5%	54,454	51,596	2,858	5.2%
Clay County	112,840	107,071	5,769	5.1%	112,293	106,322	5,971	5.3%	112,181	108,115	4,066	3.6%
Collier County	186,744	177,455	9,289	5.0%	185,227	175,716	9,511	5.1%	189,385	182,779	6,606	3.5%
Columbia County	28,037	26,453	1,584	5.6%	27,812	26,163	1,649	5.9%	27,626	26,480	1,146	4.1%
DeSoto County	12,441	11,686	755	6.1%	12,234	11,471	763	6.2%	12,760	12,191	569	4.5%
Dixie County	5,944	5,576	368	6.2%	5,848	5,471	377	6.4%	5,764	5,504	260	4.5%
Duval County	516,636	490,515	26,121	5.1%	514,110	487,211	26,899	5.2%	514,337	495,662	18,675	3.6%
Escambia County	149,234	141,267	7,967	5.3%	148,226	140,033	8,193	5.5%	146,789	141,235	5,554	3.8%
Flagler County	56,517	53,240	3,277	5.8%	56,002	52,624	3,378	6.0%	55,879	53,504	2,375	4.3%
Franklin County	4,409	4,159	250	5.7%	4,349	4,098	251	5.8%	4,256	4,068	188	4.4%
Gadsden County	17,449	16,437	1,012	5.8%	17,345	16,252	1,093	6.3%	17,418	16,689	729	4.2%
Gilchrist County	8,309	7,862	447	5.4%	8,176	7,719	457	5.6%	8,240	7,949	291	3.5%
Glades County	4,546	4,282	264	5.8%	4,504	4,231	273	6.1%	4,418	4,224	194	4.4%
Gulf County	6,335	6,008	327	5.2%	6,253	5,912	341	5.5%	6,322	6,089	233	3.7%
Hamilton County	4,125	3,833	292	7.1%	4,084	3,787	297	7.3%	4,126	3,903	223	5.4%
Hardee County	10,578	9,994	584	5.5%	10,423	9,820	603	5.8%	10,261	9,847	414	4.0%
Hendry County	22,427	21,283	1,144	5.1%	22,206	21,019	1,187	5.3%	21,617	20,829	788	3.6%
Hernando County	90,957	85,705	5,252	5.8%	90,196	84,828	5,368	6.0%	90,174	86,395	3,779	4.2%
Highlands County	37,248	34,712	2,536	6.8%	36,838	34,242	2,596	7.0%	37,083	35,206	1,877	5.1%
Hillsborough County	811,136	771,826	39,310	4.8%	804,725	764,369	40,356	5.0%	806,747	778,689	28,058	3.5%
Holmes County	7,759	7,344	415	5.3%	7,710	7,281	429	5.6%	7,731	7,436	295	3.8%
Indian River County	68,104	64,146	3,958	5.8%	67,771	63,677	4,094	6.0%	68,767	65,973	2,794	4.1%
Jackson County	17,516	16,516	1,000	5.7%	17,411	16,370	1,041	6.0%	17,422	16,726	696	4.0%
Jefferson County	7,203	6,867	336	4.7%	7,137	6,785	352	4.9%	7,164	6,931	233	3.3%
Lafayette County	2,579	2,412	167	6.5%	2,535	2,362	173	6.8%	2,586	2,471	115	4.4%
Lake County	197,443	186,996	10,447	5.3%	196,219	185,612	10,607	5.4%	195,167	187,803	7,364	3.8%
Lee County	378,666	358,416	20,250	5.3%	372,998	352,199	20,799	5.6%	379,514	365,372	14,142	3.7%
Leon County	166,912	158,654	8,258	4.9%	165,083	156,764	8,319	5.0%	165,627	159,874	5,753	3.5%
Levy County	19,418	18,313	1,105	5.7%	19,175	18,030	1,145	6.0%	19,288	18,500	788	4.1%
Liberty County	2,572	2,435	137	5.3%	2,575	2,429	146	5.7%	2,522	2,424	98	3.9%
Madison County	6,990	6,571	419	6.0%	6,902	6,459	443	6.4%	7,038	6,735	303	4.3%

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

COUNTY	FEBRUARY 2026				JANUARY 2026				FEBRUARY 2025			
	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOY- MENT	UNEMPLOYMENT LEVEL	UNEMPLOYMENT RATE	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOY- MENT	UNEMPLOYMENT LEVEL	UNEMPLOYMENT RATE	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOY- MENT	UNEMPLOYMENT LEVEL	UNEMPLOYMENT RATE
Manatee County	204,171	193,680	10,491	5.1%	202,645	191,878	10,767	5.3%	202,145	194,609	7,536	3.7%
Marion County	163,565	153,609	9,956	6.1%	162,699	152,428	10,271	6.3%	159,736	152,720	7,016	4.4%
Martin County	70,980	67,319	3,661	5.2%	70,809	67,062	3,747	5.3%	71,243	68,604	2,639	3.7%
Miami-Dade County	1,445,297	1,405,197	40,100	2.8%	1,423,369	1,386,425	36,944	2.6%	1,435,199	1,399,951	35,248	2.5%
Monroe County	49,984	48,247	1,737	3.5%	49,313	47,532	1,781	3.6%	50,065	48,837	1,228	2.5%
Nassau County	46,930	44,619	2,311	4.9%	46,684	44,308	2,376	5.1%	46,700	45,072	1,628	3.5%
Okaloosa County	99,132	94,315	4,817	4.9%	98,192	93,272	4,920	5.0%	97,687	94,299	3,388	3.5%
Okeechobee County	16,648	15,719	929	5.6%	16,443	15,477	966	5.9%	16,386	15,714	672	4.1%
Orange County	817,050	779,076	37,974	4.6%	812,485	773,434	39,051	4.8%	810,152	782,635	27,517	3.4%
Osceola County	239,134	227,446	11,688	4.9%	238,004	225,841	12,163	5.1%	237,052	228,495	8,557	3.6%
Palm Beach County	774,074	736,886	37,188	4.8%	771,360	733,229	38,131	4.9%	778,386	751,669	26,717	3.4%
Pasco County	300,706	284,787	15,919	5.3%	298,356	281,962	16,394	5.5%	298,706	287,288	11,418	3.8%
Pinellas County	496,239	473,641	22,598	4.6%	490,665	467,276	23,389	4.8%	494,758	477,905	16,853	3.4%
Polk County	363,191	342,123	21,068	5.8%	361,659	339,795	21,864	6.0%	357,482	342,302	15,180	4.2%
Putnam County	29,754	27,950	1,804	6.1%	29,515	27,640	1,875	6.4%	28,784	27,533	1,251	4.3%
Santa Rosa County	91,781	87,128	4,653	5.1%	91,086	86,296	4,790	5.3%	90,408	87,141	3,267	3.6%
Sarasota County	202,867	192,140	10,727	5.3%	201,477	190,388	11,089	5.5%	200,549	192,952	7,597	3.8%
Seminole County	269,619	257,424	12,195	4.5%	268,103	255,541	12,562	4.7%	267,354	258,608	8,746	3.3%
St. Johns County	156,878	149,083	7,795	5.0%	156,099	148,154	7,945	5.1%	156,214	150,752	5,462	3.5%
St. Lucie County	170,804	161,302	9,502	5.6%	170,476	160,703	9,773	5.7%	171,196	164,295	6,901	4.0%
Sumter County	35,714	32,581	3,133	8.8%	35,479	32,258	3,221	9.1%	34,525	32,341	2,184	6.3%
Suwannee County	17,223	16,204	1,019	5.9%	17,126	16,058	1,068	6.2%	16,851	16,132	719	4.3%
Taylor County	5,530	5,018	512	9.3%	5,500	4,936	564	10.3%	5,552	5,200	352	6.3%
Union County	4,164	3,895	269	6.5%	4,141	3,868	273	6.6%	4,149	3,954	195	4.7%
Volusia County	267,005	252,276	14,729	5.5%	264,636	249,324	15,312	5.8%	264,144	253,560	10,584	4.0%
Wakulla County	18,164	17,381	783	4.3%	18,029	17,209	820	4.5%	18,095	17,548	547	3.0%
Walton County	41,568	39,630	1,938	4.7%	41,146	39,147	1,999	4.9%	40,913	39,558	1,355	3.3%
Washington County	9,354	8,782	572	6.1%	9,252	8,671	581	6.3%	9,207	8,814	393	4.3%
Florida (Not Seasonally Adjusted)	11,149,000	10,618,000	531,000	4.8%	11,056,000	10,514,000	542,000	4.9%	11,088,000	10,702,000	387,000	3.5%
Florida (Seasonally Adjusted)	11,141,000	10,625,000	516,000	4.6%	11,124,000	10,625,000	499,000	4.5%	11,125,000	10,727,000	398,000	3.6%
United States (Not Seasonally Adjusted)	170,206,000	162,153,000	8,052,000	4.7%	169,612,000	161,670,000	7,942,000	4.7%	170,116,000	162,544,000	7,572,000	4.5%
United States (Seasonally Adjusted)	170,483,000	162,912,000	7,571,000	4.4%	170,465,000	163,097,000	7,368,000	4.3%	170,441,000	163,338,000	7,104,000	4.2%

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NOTE: Items may not add to totals or compute to displayed percentages due to rounding. All data are subject to revision.

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

MSA/MD	FEBRUARY 2026				JANUARY 2026				FEBRUARY 2025			
	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-Fort Myers MSA	378,666	358,416	20,250	5.3%	372,998	352,199	20,799	5.6%	379,514	365,372	14,142	3.7%
Crestview-Fort Walton Beach-Destin MSA	140,700	133,945	6,755	4.8%	139,338	132,419	6,919	5.0%	138,600	133,857	4,743	3.4%
Deltona-Daytona Beach-Ormond Beach MSA	323,522	305,516	18,006	5.6%	320,638	301,948	18,690	5.8%	320,023	307,064	12,959	4.0%
Gainesville MSA	172,148	162,731	9,417	5.5%	169,569	160,052	9,517	5.6%	170,829	164,259	6,570	3.8%
Homosassa Springs MSA	55,335	51,379	3,956	7.1%	54,914	50,815	4,099	7.5%	54,454	51,596	2,858	5.2%
Jacksonville MSA	845,368	802,772	42,596	5.0%	841,202	797,397	43,805	5.2%	841,461	811,178	30,283	3.6%
Lakeland-Winter Haven MSA	363,191	342,123	21,068	5.8%	361,659	339,795	21,864	6.0%	357,482	342,302	15,180	4.2%
Miami-Fort Lauderdale-West Palm Beach MSA	3,295,264	3,168,944	126,320	3.8%	3,261,051	3,135,404	125,647	3.9%	3,290,173	3,192,838	97,335	3.0%
Fort Lauderdale-Pompano Beach-Sunrise MD	1,075,893	1,026,861	49,032	4.6%	1,066,322	1,015,750	50,572	4.7%	1,076,588	1,041,218	35,370	3.3%
Miami-Miami Beach-Kendall MD	1,445,297	1,405,197	40,100	2.8%	1,423,369	1,386,425	36,944	2.6%	1,435,199	1,399,951	35,248	2.5%
West Palm Beach-Boca Raton-Delray Beach MD	774,074	736,886	37,188	4.8%	771,360	733,229	38,131	4.9%	778,386	751,669	26,717	3.4%
Naples-Marco Island MSA	186,744	177,455	9,289	5.0%	185,227	175,716	9,511	5.1%	189,385	182,779	6,606	3.5%
North Port-Bradenton-Sarasota MSA	407,038	385,820	21,218	5.2%	404,122	382,266	21,856	5.4%	402,694	387,561	15,133	3.8%
Ocala MSA	163,565	153,609	9,956	6.1%	162,699	152,428	10,271	6.3%	159,736	152,720	7,016	4.4%
Orlando-Kissimmee-Sanford MSA	1,523,246	1,450,942	72,304	4.7%	1,514,811	1,440,428	74,383	4.9%	1,509,725	1,457,541	52,184	3.5%
Palm Bay-Melbourne-Titusville MSA	305,471	289,887	15,584	5.1%	303,278	287,190	16,088	5.3%	303,791	292,515	11,276	3.7%
Panama City-Panama City Beach MSA	102,291	97,006	5,285	5.2%	101,444	95,831	5,613	5.5%	101,158	97,426	3,732	3.7%
Pensacola-Ferry Pass-Brent MSA	241,015	228,395	12,620	5.2%	239,312	226,329	12,983	5.4%	237,197	228,376	8,821	3.7%
Port St. Lucie MSA	241,784	228,621	13,163	5.4%	241,285	227,765	13,520	5.6%	242,439	232,899	9,540	3.9%
Punta Gorda MSA	78,601	73,765	4,836	6.2%	77,978	72,948	5,030	6.5%	78,638	75,201	3,437	4.4%
Sebastian-Vero Beach-West Vero Corridor MSA	68,104	64,146	3,958	5.8%	67,771	63,677	4,094	6.0%	68,767	65,973	2,794	4.1%
Sebring MSA	37,248	34,712	2,536	6.8%	36,838	34,242	2,596	7.0%	37,083	35,206	1,877	5.1%
Tallahassee MSA	209,728	199,339	10,389	5.0%	207,594	197,010	10,584	5.1%	208,304	201,042	7,262	3.5%
Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater MSA	1,699,038	1,615,959	83,079	4.9%	1,683,942	1,598,435	85,507	5.1%	1,690,385	1,630,277	60,108	3.6%
St. Petersburg-Clearwater-Largo MD	496,239	473,641	22,598	4.6%	490,665	467,276	23,389	4.8%	494,758	477,905	16,853	3.4%
Tampa MD	1,202,799	1,142,318	60,481	5.0%	1,193,277	1,131,159	62,118	5.2%	1,195,627	1,152,372	43,255	3.6%
Wildwood-The Villages MSA	35,714	32,581	3,133	8.8%	35,479	32,258	3,221	9.1%	34,525	32,341	2,184	6.3%
Florida (Not Seasonally Adjusted)	11,149,000	10,618,000	531,000	4.8%	11,056,000	10,514,000	542,000	4.9%	11,088,000	10,702,000	387,000	3.5%
Florida (Seasonally Adjusted)	11,141,000	10,625,000	516,000	4.6%	11,124,000	10,625,000	499,000	4.5%	11,125,000	10,727,000	398,000	3.6%
United States (Not Seasonally Adjusted)	170,206,000	162,153,000	8,052,000	4.7%	169,612,000	161,670,000	7,942,000	4.7%	170,116,000	162,544,000	7,572,000	4.5%
United States (Seasonally Adjusted)	170,483,000	162,912,000	7,571,000	4.4%	170,465,000	163,097,000	7,368,000	4.3%	170,441,000	163,338,000	7,104,000	4.2%

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STATE OF FLORIDA  
COUNTIES RANKED BY UNEMPLOYMENT RATE  
(NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)  
FEBRUARY 2026 (PRELIMINARY)

1	Taylor County	9.3%
2	Sumter County	8.8%
3	Citrus County	7.1%
3	Hamilton County	7.1%
5	Highlands County	6.8%
6	Lafayette County	6.5%
6	Union County	6.5%
8	Charlotte County	6.2%
8	Dixie County	6.2%
10	DeSoto County	6.1%
10	Marion County	6.1%
10	Putnam County	6.1%
10	Washington County	6.1%
14	Madison County	6.0%
15	Suwannee County	5.9%
16	Flagler County	5.8%
16	Gadsden County	5.8%
16	Glades County	5.8%
16	Hernando County	5.8%
16	Indian River County	5.8%
16	Polk County	5.8%
22	Bradford County	5.7%
22	Franklin County	5.7%
22	Jackson County	5.7%
22	Levy County	5.7%
26	Calhoun County	5.6%
26	Columbia County	5.6%
26	Okeechobee County	5.6%
26	St. Lucie County	5.6%
30	Hardee County	5.5%
30	Volusia County	5.5%
32	Alachua County	5.4%
32	Gilchrist County	5.4%
34	Escambia County	5.3%
34	Holmes County	5.3%
34	Lake County	5.3%
34	Lee County	5.3%
34	Liberty County	5.3%
34	Pasco County	5.3%
34	Sarasota County	5.3%

STATE OF FLORIDA  
COUNTIES RANKED BY UNEMPLOYMENT RATE  
(NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)  
FEBRUARY 2026 (PRELIMINARY)

41	Gulf County	5.2%
41	Martin County	5.2%
43	Bay County	5.1%
43	Brevard County	5.1%
43	Clay County	5.1%
43	Duval County	5.1%
43	Hendry County	5.1%
43	Manatee County	5.1%
43	Santa Rosa County	5.1%
50	Baker County	5.0%
50	Collier County	5.0%
50	St. Johns County	5.0%
53	Leon County	4.9%
53	Nassau County	4.9%
53	Okaloosa County	4.9%
53	Osceola County	4.9%
57	Hillsborough County	4.8%
57	Palm Beach County	4.8%
	<b>Florida</b>	<b>4.8%</b>
59	Jefferson County	4.7%
59	Walton County	4.7%
	<b>United States</b>	<b>4.7%</b>
61	Broward County	4.6%
61	Orange County	4.6%
61	Pinellas County	4.6%
64	Seminole County	4.5%
65	Wakulla County	4.3%
66	Monroe County	3.5%
67	Miami-Dade County	2.8%

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STATE OF FLORIDA  
 METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS (MSAs) AND METROPOLITAN DIVISIONS (MDs)  
 RANKED BY UNEMPLOYMENT RATE  
 (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)  
 FEBRUARY 2026 (PRELIMINARY)

1	Wildwood-The Villages MSA	8.8%
2	Homosassa Springs MSA	7.1%
3	Sebring MSA	6.8%
4	Punta Gorda MSA	6.2%
5	Ocala MSA	6.1%
6	Lakeland-Winter Haven MSA	5.8%
6	Sebastian-Vero Beach MSA	5.8%
8	Deltona-Daytona Beach-Ormond Beach MSA	5.6%
9	Gainesville MSA	5.5%
10	Port St. Lucie MSA	5.4%
11	Cape Coral-Fort Myers MSA	5.3%
12	North Port-Bradenton-Sarasota MSA	5.2%
12	Panama City-Panama City Beach MSA	5.2%
12	Pensacola-Ferry Pass-Brent MSA	5.2%
15	Palm Bay-Melbourne-Titusville MSA	5.1%
16	Jacksonville MSA	5.0%
16	Naples-Marco Island MSA	5.0%
16	Tallahassee MSA	5.0%
16	Tampa MD	5.0%
20	Crestview-Fort Walton Beach-Destin MSA	4.8%
20	West Palm Beach-Boca Raton-Delray Beach MD	4.8%
	<b>Florida</b>	<b>4.8%</b>
22	Orlando-Kissimmee-Sanford MSA	4.7%
	<b>United States</b>	<b>4.7%</b>
23	Fort Lauderdale-Pompano Beach-Sunrise MD	4.6%
23	St. Petersburg-Clearwater-Largo MD	4.6%
25	Miami-Miami Beach-Kendall MD	2.8%

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TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT  
FLORIDA (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

Area	February 2026	January 2026	February 2025	Over-the-Month Change		Over-the-Year Change	
				Level	Percent	Level	Percent
Statewide	9,998,900	9,949,900	10,042,100	49,000	0.5%	-43,200	-0.4%
Cape Coral-Fort Myers MSA	317,100	313,300	321,700	3,800	1.2%	-4,600	-1.4%
Crestview-Fort Walton Beach-Destin MSA	129,600	128,700	128,600	900	0.7%	1,000	0.8%
Deltona-Daytona Beach-Ormond Beach MSA	230,900	228,900	230,500	2,000	0.9%	400	0.2%
Fort Lauderdale-Pompano Beach-Sunrise Division	919,300	914,000	928,700	5,300	0.6%	-9,400	-1.0%
Gainesville MSA	168,800	166,800	169,300	2,000	1.2%	-500	-0.3%
Homosassa Springs MSA	37,100	36,900	37,200	200	0.5%	-100	-0.3%
Jacksonville MSA	799,800	798,400	803,300	1,400	0.2%	-3,500	-0.4%
Lakeland-Winter Haven MSA	281,900	281,500	280,100	400	0.1%	1,800	0.6%
Miami-Ft. Lauderdale-West Palm Beach MSA	2,981,700	2,962,400	3,002,800	19,300	0.7%	-21,100	-0.7%
Miami-Miami Beach-Kendall MD	1,359,600	1,345,900	1,360,800	13,700	1.0%	-1,200	-0.1%
Naples-Marco Island MSA	178,800	177,600	183,100	1,200	0.7%	-4,300	-2.3%
North Port-Bradenton-Sarasota MSA	359,600	357,700	359,200	1,900	0.5%	400	0.1%
Ocala MSA	126,600	126,300	124,800	300	0.2%	1,800	1.4%
Orlando-Kissimmee-Sanford MSA	1,497,200	1,494,300	1,495,700	2,900	0.2%	1,500	0.1%
Palm Bay-Melbourne-Titusville MSA	259,000	258,000	260,300	1,000	0.4%	-1,300	-0.5%
Panama City-Panama City Beach MSA	92,300	91,100	92,000	1,200	1.3%	300	0.3%
Pensacola-Ferry Pass-Brent MSA	202,800	202,000	201,700	800	0.4%	1,100	0.5%
Port St. Lucie MSA	177,600	178,000	180,100	-400	-0.2%	-2,500	-1.4%
Punta Gorda MSA	59,600	59,200	60,600	400	0.7%	-1,000	-1.7%
St. Petersburg - Clearwater - Largo Division	482,600	478,200	483,800	4,400	0.9%	-1,200	-0.2%
Sebastian-Vero Beach MSA	59,600	59,300	61,100	300	0.5%	-1,500	-2.5%
Sebring MSA	28,700	28,400	28,700	300	1.1%	0	0.0%
Tallahassee MSA	203,900	202,600	204,300	1,300	0.6%	-400	-0.2%
Tampa Division	1,071,100	1,065,300	1,074,200	5,800	0.5%	-3,100	-0.3%
Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater MSA	1,553,700	1,543,500	1,558,000	10,200	0.7%	-4,300	-0.3%
West Palm Beach-Boca Raton-Delray Beach MD	702,800	702,500	713,300	300	*	-10,500	-1.5%
Wildwood-The Villages MSA	43,400	43,200	42,600	200	0.5%	800	1.9%

\* - less than 0.1 percent

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. April 17, 2026.

**Total Nonagricultural Employment**  
**Florida and Selected Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs) and Metropolitan Divisions (MDs)**

**Seasonally Adjusted**

Area	February <sup>p</sup> 2026	January <sup>r</sup> 2026	February 2025	Over-the-Month Change		Over-the-Year Change	
				Level	Percent	Level	Percent
Florida	9,969,200	9,967,400	10,005,900	1,800	*	-36,700	-0.4%
Cape Coral-Fort Myers MSA	314,200	313,300	317,300	900	0.3%	-3,100	-1.0%
Crestview-Fort Walton Beach-Destin MSA	130,100	130,200	131,000	-100	-0.1%	-900	-0.7%
Deltona-Daytona Beach-Ormond Beach MSA	230,200	230,000	228,800	200	0.1%	1,400	0.6%
Gainesville MSA	166,900	166,600	167,100	300	0.2%	-200	-0.1%
Homosassa Springs MSA	37,100	37,100	37,000	0	0.0%	100	0.3%
Jacksonville MSA	800,700	801,700	805,600	-1,000	-0.1%	-4,900	-0.6%
Lakeland-Winter Haven MSA	281,400	281,800	278,900	-400	-0.1%	2,500	0.9%
Miami-Ft. Lauderdale-West Palm Beach MSA	2,973,000	2,966,200	2,991,600	6,800	0.2%	-18,600	-0.6%
Fort Lauderdale-Pompano Beach-Sunrise Division	918,900	916,200	926,000	2,700	0.3%	-7,100	-0.8%
Miami-Miami Beach-Kendall MD	1,356,000	1,350,700	1,357,400	5,300	0.4%	-1,400	-0.1%
West Palm Beach-Boca Raton-Delray Beach MD	701,000	702,100	707,500	-1,100	-0.2%	-6,500	-0.9%
Naples-Marco Island MSA	176,600	176,100	179,200	500	0.3%	-2,600	-1.5%
North Port-Bradenton-Sarasota MSA	356,700	356,600	356,100	100	*	600	0.2%
Ocala MSA	126,300	126,300	124,300	0	0.0%	2,000	1.6%
Orlando-Kissimmee-Sanford MSA	1,496,400	1,501,300	1,494,000	-4,900	-0.3%	2,400	0.2%
Palm Bay-Melbourne-Titusville MSA	258,600	258,500	259,300	100	*	-700	-0.3%
Panama City-Panama City Beach MSA	92,700	92,200	93,200	500	0.5%	-500	-0.5%
Pensacola -Ferry Pass-Brent MSA	203,200	203,400	202,600	-200	-0.1%	600	0.3%
Port St. Lucie MSA	177,700	178,400	179,200	-700	-0.4%	-1,500	-0.8%
Punta Gorda MSA	59,000	59,000	59,700	0	0.0%	-700	-1.2%
Sebastian-Vero Beach MSA	59,300	59,200	60,500	100	0.2%	-1,200	-2.0%
Sebring MSA	28,600	28,500	28,300	100	0.4%	300	1.1%
Tallahassee MSA	201,900	201,900	202,000	0	0.0%	-100	*
Tampa - St. Petersburg - Clearwater MSA	1,551,100	1,549,000	1,555,400	2,100	0.1%	-4,300	-0.3%
St. Petersburg - Clearwater - Largo Division	480,900	480,200	484,100	700	0.1%	-3,200	-0.7%
Tampa Division	1,068,900	1,068,300	1,070,200	600	0.1%	-1,300	-0.1%
Wildwood-The Villages MSA	43,200	43,200	42,300	0	0.0%	900	2.1%

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p = preliminary, r = revised

\* - less than 0.1 percent