

Overview of the CareerSource South Florida Region
Not Seasonally Adjusted
September 18, 2026

- The unemployment rate in the CareerSource South Florida region (Miami-Dade County) was 2.7 percent in August 2026. This rate was 0.3 percentage point lower than the region's year ago rate of 3.0 percent. The region's August 2026 unemployment rate was 1.9 percentage points lower than the state rate of 4.6 percent. The labor force was 1,446,920, up 22,398 (+1.6 percent) over the year. There were 38,626 unemployed residents in the region.

Miami-Miami Beach-Kendall Metro Division

- In August 2026, nonagricultural employment in the Miami-Miami Beach-Kendall MD was 1,349,400, an increase of 6,200 jobs (+0.5 percent) over the year.
- The Professional and Business Services (+2.5 percent); Leisure and Hospitality (+1.9 percent); and Other Services (+0.4 percent) industries grew faster in the metro area than statewide over the year.
- The Miami-Miami Beach-Kendall MD was tied for the highest annual job growth compared to all the metro areas in the state in the Other Services (+200 jobs) industry.
- The Miami-Miami Beach-Kendall MD had the second highest annual job growth compared to all the metro areas in the state in the Leisure and Hospitality (+2,900 jobs) industry.
- The Miami-Miami Beach-Kendall MD had the third highest annual job growth compared to all the metro areas in the state in the Professional and Business Services (+5,300 jobs) industry.
- The industries gaining jobs over the year were Professional and Business Services (+5,300 jobs); Education and Health Services (+4,600 jobs); Leisure and Hospitality (+2,900 jobs); Trade, Transportation, and Utilities (+300 jobs); and Other Services (+200 jobs).
- The industries losing jobs over the year were Financial Activities (-5,100 jobs); Government (-1,100 jobs); Information (-400 jobs); Mining, Logging, and Construction (-300 jobs); and Manufacturing (-200 jobs).

Note: All data are subject to revision.

Source: Florida Department of Commerce, Bureau of Workforce Statistics and Economic Research.

Unemployment Rates			
(not seasonally adjusted)	Aug-26	Jul-26	Aug-25
CareerSource South Florida (Miami-Dade County)	2.7%	2.5%	3.0%
Florida	4.6%	4.6%	4.3%
United States	4.3%	4.4%	4.5%

Nonagricultural Employment by Industry (not seasonally adjusted)	Miami-Miami Beach-Kendall Metropolitan Division				Florida			
	Aug-26	Aug-25	change	percent change	Aug-26	Aug-25	change	percent change
Total Employment	1,349,400	1,343,200	6,200	0.5	9,994,700	9,933,300	61,400	0.6
Mining, Logging, and Construction	61,700	62,000	-300	-0.5	663,200	661,300	1,900	0.3
Manufacturing	46,800	47,000	-200	-0.4	429,100	425,800	3,300	0.8
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	324,900	324,600	300	0.1	1,971,900	1,968,700	3,200	0.2
Wholesale Trade	82,800	81,300	1,500	1.8	398,900	396,500	2,400	0.6
Retail Trade	143,700	143,900	-200	-0.1	1,140,000	1,135,900	4,100	0.4
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	98,400	99,400	-1,000	-1.0	433,000	436,300	-3,300	-0.8
Information	21,600	22,000	-400	-1.8	147,900	153,000	-5,100	-3.3
Financial Activities	96,700	101,800	-5,100	-5.0	677,100	691,600	-14,500	-2.1
Professional and Business Services	221,300	216,000	5,300	2.5	1,642,800	1,612,200	30,600	1.9
Education and Health Services	229,600	225,000	4,600	2.0	1,621,900	1,586,900	35,000	2.2
Leisure and Hospitality	153,400	150,500	2,900	1.9	1,325,100	1,312,300	12,800	1.0
Other Services	49,600	49,400	200	0.4	383,500	383,800	-300	-0.1
Government	143,800	144,900	-1,100	-0.8	1,132,200	1,137,700	-5,500	-0.5

Population	2025	2024	change	percent change
CareerSource South Florida (Miami-Dade County)	2,802,029	2,838,461	-36,432	-1.3
Florida	23,462,518	23,372,215	90,303	0.4

Average Annual Wage	2025	2024	change	percent change
CareerSource South Florida (Miami-Dade County)	\$81,811	\$77,581	\$4,230	5.5
Florida	\$72,732	\$69,505	\$3,227	4.6

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