

Overview of the CareerSource South Florida Region
Not Seasonally Adjusted
May 01, 2026

- The unemployment rate in the CareerSource South Florida region (Miami-Dade County) was 2.9 percent in March 2026. This rate was 0.2 percentage point greater than the region's year ago rate of 2.7 percent. The region's March 2026 unemployment rate was 1.5 percentage points lower than the state rate of 4.4 percent. The labor force was 1,450,178, up 32,342 (+2.3 percent) over the year. There were 42,728 unemployed residents in the region.

Miami-Miami Beach-Kendall Metro Division

- In March 2026, nonagricultural employment in the Miami-Miami Beach-Kendall MD was 1,360,800, a decrease of 2,700 jobs (-0.2 percent) over the year.
- The Professional and Business Services (+2.4 percent) and Education and Health Services (+2.1 percent) industries grew faster in the metro area than statewide over the year.
- The Miami-Miami Beach-Kendall MD had the highest annual job growth compared to all the metro areas in the state in the Professional and Business Services (+5,300 jobs) industry.
- The Miami-Miami Beach-Kendall MD was tied for the second fastest annual job growth rate compared to all the metro areas in the state in the Professional and Business Services (+2.4 percent) industry.
- The industries gaining jobs over the year were Professional and Business Services (+5,300 jobs) and Education and Health Services (+4,700 jobs).
- The industries losing jobs over the year were Financial Activities (-3,300 jobs); Leisure and Hospitality (-3,000 jobs); Government (-1,800 jobs); Manufacturing (-1,600 jobs); Other Services (-1,200 jobs); Mining, Logging, and Construction (-1,000 jobs); Information (-700 jobs); and Trade, Transportation, and Utilities (-100 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)	Mar-26	Feb-26	Mar-25
CareerSource South Florida (Miami-Dade County)	2.9%	2.8%	2.7%
Florida	4.4%	4.8%	3.5%
United States	4.3%	4.7%	4.2%

Nonagricultural Employment by Industry (not seasonally adjusted)	Miami-Miami Beach-Kendall Metropolitan Division				Florida			
	Mar-26	Mar-25	change	percent change	Mar-26	Mar-25	change	percent change
Total Employment	1,360,800	1,363,500	-2,700	-0.2	10,016,900	10,054,800	-37,900	-0.4
Mining, Logging, and Construction	61,000	62,000	-1,000	-1.6	653,600	665,100	-11,500	-1.7
Manufacturing	46,400	48,000	-1,600	-3.3	424,800	429,600	-4,800	-1.1
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	328,300	328,400	-100	0.0	1,981,300	1,988,300	-7,000	-0.4
Wholesale Trade	84,000	82,400	1,600	1.9	402,100	397,700	4,400	1.1
Retail Trade	143,500	145,900	-2,400	-1.6	1,141,600	1,152,200	-10,600	-0.9
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	100,800	100,100	700	0.7	437,600	438,400	-800	-0.2
Information	21,800	22,500	-700	-3.1	148,800	154,200	-5,400	-3.5
Financial Activities	97,500	100,800	-3,300	-3.3	676,200	689,500	-13,300	-1.9
Professional and Business Services	224,000	218,700	5,300	2.4	1,618,600	1,614,900	3,700	0.2
Education and Health Services	232,200	227,500	4,700	2.1	1,619,800	1,589,300	30,500	1.9
Leisure and Hospitality	155,900	158,900	-3,000	-1.9	1,354,600	1,362,200	-7,600	-0.6
Other Services	48,900	50,100	-1,200	-2.4	376,300	386,900	-10,600	-2.7
Government	144,800	146,600	-1,800	-1.2	1,162,900	1,174,800	-11,900	-1.0

Population	2024	2023	change	percent change
CareerSource South Florida (Miami-Dade County)	2,838,461	2,774,250	64,211	2.3
Florida	23,372,215	22,904,868	467,347	2.0

Average Annual Wage	2024	2023	change	percent change
CareerSource South Florida (Miami-Dade County)	\$77,581	\$74,194	\$3,388	4.6
Florida	\$69,505	\$66,446	\$3,059	4.6

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