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CENTRAL FLORIDA'S UNEMPLOYMENT RATE **DIPS TO 4.2 PERCENT FOR APRIL 2016**

Orlando, FL – The unemployment rate in the CareerSource Central Florida region (Lake, Orange, Osceola, Seminole, and Sumter counties) was 4.2 percent in April 2016. This rate was 0.7 percentage point lower than the region's year ago rate of 4.9 percent. The region's April 2016 unemployment rate was 0.3 percentage point lower than the state rate of 4.5 percent. Out of a labor force of 1,266,704 there were 53,098 unemployed residents in the region.

- The unemployment rates in the CareerSource Central Florida region were: Seminole County (3.9 percent); Orange County (4.0 percent); Lake County (4.5 percent); Osceola County (4.6 percent); and Sumter County (6.6 percent).
- Nonagricultural employment in the Orlando-Kissimmee-Sanford metro area (Lake, Orange, Osceola, and Seminole counties) was 1,202,000 in April 2016, an increase of 51,900 jobs (+4.5 percent) over the year. The metro area's over the year growth rate was 1.2 percentage point higher than the state growth rate of 3.3 percent.
- The Orlando-Kissimmee-Sanford MSA had the highest annual job growth compared to all the metro areas in the state in leisure and hospitality (+12,900 jobs); mining, logging, and construction (+8,800 jobs); trade, transportation, and utilities (+8,100 jobs); manufacturing (+3,300 jobs); government (+2,300 jobs); and other services (+2,100 jobs) in April 2016.
- The Orlando-Kissimmee-Sanford MSA had the fastest annual job growth rate compared to all the metro areas in the state in manufacturing (+8.1 percent) and other services (+5.2 percent) in April 2016.
- The mining, logging, and construction (+15.0 percent); manufacturing (+8.1 percent); education and health services (+5.6 percent); leisure and hospitality (+5.4 percent); other services (+5.2 percent); trade, transportation, and utilities (+3.7 percent); and government (+1.9 percent) industries grew faster in the metro area than statewide over the year.
- The industries gaining jobs over the year were: leisure and hospitality (+12,900 jobs); mining, logging, and construction (+8,800 jobs); trade, transportation, and utilities (+8,100 jobs); education and health services (+8,000 jobs); professional and business services (+6,900 jobs); manufacturing (+3,300 jobs); government (+2,300 jobs); other services (+2,100 jobs); and financial activities (+100 jobs).
- The information (-600 jobs) industry lost jobs over the year.
- In April 2016 nonagricultural employment in The Villages MSA was 27,000, an increase of 700 jobs (+2.7 percent) over the year.

Unemployment Rates			
(not seasonally adjusted)	Apr-16	Mar-16	Apr-15
CareerSource Central Florida	4.2%	4.4%	4.9%
Lake County	4.5%	4.7%	5.2%
Orange County	4.0%	4.2%	4.7%
Osceola County	4.6%	4.8%	5.5%
Seminole County	3.9%	4.1%	4.7%
Sumter County	6.6%	6.7%	7.3%
Florida	4.5%	4.7%	5.2%
United States	4.7%	5.1%	5.1%

Nonagricultural Employment by Industry (not seasonally adjusted)	Orlando-Kissimmee-Sanford Metropolitan Statistical Area				Florida			
	Apr-16	Apr-15	change	percent change	Apr-16	Apr-15	change	percent change
Total Employment	1,202,000	1,150,100	51,900	4.5	8,353,300	8,088,600	264,700	3.3
Mining, Logging, and Construction	67,600	58,800	8,800	15.0	453,200	426,400	26,800	6.3
Manufacturing	44,100	40,800	3,300	8.1	350,900	339,600	11,300	3.3
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	225,400	217,300	8,100	3.7	1,708,000	1,666,700	41,300	2.5
Wholesale Trade	44,400	43,200	1,200	2.8	341,200	333,300	7,900	2.4
Retail Trade	145,000	140,600	4,400	3.1	1,094,300	1,070,700	23,600	2.2
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	36,000	33,500	2,500	7.5	272,500	262,700	9,800	3.7
Information	23,700	24,300	-600	-2.5	134,500	135,600	-1,100	-0.8
Financial Activities	72,200	72,100	100	0.1	550,700	530,600	20,100	3.8
Professional and Business Services	200,200	193,300	6,900	3.6	1,263,100	1,213,300	49,800	4.1
Education and Health Services	150,500	142,500	8,000	5.6	1,244,200	1,196,100	48,100	4.0
Leisure and Hospitality	251,500	238,600	12,900	5.4	1,194,100	1,147,600	46,500	4.1
Other Services	42,400	40,300	2,100	5.2	339,600	331,600	8,000	2.4
Government	124,400	122,100	2,300	1.9	1,115,000	1,101,100	13,900	1.3

Population	2015	2014	change	percent change
CareerSource Central Florida	2,435,852	2,381,495	54,357	2.3
Lake County	316,569	309,736	6,833	2.2
Orange County	1,252,396	1,227,995	24,401	2.0
Osceola County	308,327	295,553	12,774	4.3
Seminole County	442,903	437,086	5,817	1.3
Sumter County	115,657	111,125	4,532	4.1
Florida	19,815,183	19,507,369	307,814	1.6

Average Annual Wage	2014	2013	change	percent change
CareerSource Central Florida	\$42,369	\$41,260	\$1,109	2.7
Lake County	\$34,207	\$33,397	\$810	2.4
Orange County	\$44,429	\$43,142	\$1,287	3.0
Osceola County	\$34,962	\$34,151	\$811	2.4
Seminole County	\$41,921	\$40,954	\$967	2.4
Sumter County	\$36,933	\$37,575	-\$642	-1.7
Florida	\$44,810	\$43,651	\$1,159	2.7

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