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CENTRAL FLORIDA'S UNEMPLOYMENT RATE CONTINUES DOWNWARD TREND IN MAY 2016 TO 4.0 PERCENT

Orlando, FL – The unemployment rate in the CareerSource Central Florida region (Sumter, Lake, Orange, Osceola, and Seminole counties) was 4.0 percent in May 2016. This rate was 1.2 percentage point lower than the region's year ago rate of 5.2 percent. The region's May 2016 unemployment rate was 0.4 percentage point lower than the state rate of 4.4 percent. Out of a labor force of 1,277,624 there were 51,150 unemployed residents in the region.

- The unemployment rates for each of the counties in the Central Florida region were: Orange County (3.8 percent); Seminole County (3.8 percent); Lake County (4.3 percent), Osceola County (4.4 percent), and Sumter County (6.3 percent).
- In May 2016 nonagricultural employment in the Orlando-Kissimmee-Sanford MSA was 1,204,000, an increase of 48,200 jobs (+4.2 percent) over the year.
- The Orlando-Kissimmee-Sanford MSA had the highest annual job growth compared to all the metro areas in the state in leisure and hospitality (+13,000 jobs); mining, logging, and construction (+9,700 jobs); manufacturing (+3,100 jobs); government (+2,400 jobs); and other services (+2,200 jobs) in May 2016.
- The Orlando-Kissimmee-Sanford MSA had the fastest annual job growth rate compared to all the metro areas in the state in manufacturing (+7.6 percent); and other services (+5.4 percent) in May 2016.
- The mining, logging, and construction (+16.2 percent); manufacturing (+7.6 percent); leisure and hospitality (+5.4 percent); other services (+5.4 percent); education and health services (+4.2 percent); trade, transportation, and utilities (+3.1 percent); and government (+2.0 percent) industries grew faster in the metro area than statewide over the year.
- The industries gaining in jobs over the year were: leisure and hospitality (+13,000 jobs); mining, logging, and construction (+9,700 jobs); trade, transportation, and utilities (+6,700 jobs); education and health services (+6,000 jobs); professional and business services (+5,500 jobs); manufacturing (+3,100 jobs); government (+2,400 jobs); other services (+2,200 jobs); and financial activities (+300 jobs).
- The information (-700 jobs) industry lost jobs over the year.
- In May 2016 nonagricultural employment in the The Villages MSA was 26,900, an increase of 700 jobs (+2.7 percent) over the year.

Unemployment Rates			
(not seasonally adjusted)	May-16	Apr-16	May-15
CareerSource Central Florida	4.0%	4.2%	5.2%
Lake County	4.3%	4.5%	5.5%
Orange County	3.8%	4.1%	5.0%
Osceola County	4.4%	4.7%	5.8%
Seminole County	3.8%	4.0%	4.9%
Sumter County	6.3%	6.6%	7.8%
Florida	4.4%	4.5%	5.5%
United States	4.5%	4.7%	5.3%

Nonagricultural Employment by Industry (not seasonally adjusted)	Orlando-Kissimmee-Sanford Metropolitan Statistical Area				Florida			
	May-16	May-15	change	percent change	May-16	May-15	change	percent change
Total Employment	1,204,000	1,155,800	48,200	4.2	8,354,100	8,093,500	260,600	3.2
Mining, Logging, and Construction	69,500	59,800	9,700	16.2	461,500	431,700	29,800	6.9
Manufacturing	44,100	41,000	3,100	7.6	352,500	341,600	10,900	3.2
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	224,800	218,100	6,700	3.1	1,708,700	1,669,200	39,500	2.4
Wholesale Trade	44,700	43,600	1,100	2.5	341,500	334,600	6,900	2.1
Retail Trade	144,700	140,700	4,000	2.8	1,094,500	1,071,400	23,100	2.2
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	35,400	33,800	1,600	4.7	272,700	263,200	9,500	3.6
Information	23,700	24,400	-700	-2.9	133,700	136,400	-2,700	-2.0
Financial Activities	72,800	72,500	300	0.4	552,900	532,400	20,500	3.9
Professional and Business Services	200,800	195,300	5,500	2.8	1,262,400	1,218,000	44,400	3.6
Education and Health Services	149,700	143,700	6,000	4.2	1,244,400	1,199,900	44,500	3.7
Leisure and Hospitality	252,700	239,700	13,000	5.4	1,188,400	1,139,400	49,000	4.3
Other Services	42,800	40,600	2,200	5.4	340,200	331,600	8,600	2.6
Government	123,100	120,700	2,400	2.0	1,109,400	1,093,300	16,100	1.5

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	2015	2014	change	percent change
CareerSource Central Florida	\$43,868	\$42,369	\$1,499	3.5
Lake County	\$35,532	\$34,207	\$1,325	3.9
Orange County	\$46,017	\$44,429	\$1,588	3.6
Osceola County	\$35,870	\$34,962	\$908	2.6
Seminole County	\$43,663	\$41,921	\$1,742	4.2
Sumter County	\$36,977	\$36,933	\$44	0.1
Florida	\$46,239	\$44,810	\$1,429	3.2

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