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CENTRAL FLORIDA'S UNEMPLOYMENT RATE **AT 4.5 PERCENT FOR AUGUST 2016**

Orlando, FL – The unemployment rate in the CareerSource Central Florida region (Lake, Orange, Osceola, Seminole, and Sumter counties) was 4.5 percent in August 2016. This rate was 0.7 percentage point lower than the region's year ago rate of 5.2 percent. The region's August 2016 unemployment rate was 0.4 percentage point lower than the state rate of 4.9 percent. Out of a labor force of 1,294,655 there were 58,025 unemployed residents in the region.

- The unemployment rates for each county in the Central Florida Region were: Seminole County at 4.2 percent; Orange County at 4.3 percent; Lake County at 4.7 percent; Osceola County at 5.0 percent; and Sumter County at 6.7 percent.
- In August 2016 nonagricultural employment in the Orlando-Kissimmee-Sanford MSA was 1,212,800, an increase of 51,600 jobs (+4.4 percent) over the year.
- The Orlando-Kissimmee-Sanford MSA had the fastest annual job growth rate compared to all the metro areas in the state in mining, logging, and construction (+16.5 percent); manufacturing (+7.5 percent); and education and health services (+5.9 percent) in August 2016.
- The Orlando-Kissimmee-Sanford MSA had the highest annual job growth compared to all the metro areas in the state in leisure and hospitality (+13,600 jobs); mining, logging, and construction (+10,200 jobs); education and health services (+8,400 jobs); government (+3,300 jobs); manufacturing (+3,100 jobs); and other services (+1,100 jobs) in August 2016.
- The mining, logging, and construction (+16.5 percent); manufacturing (+7.5 percent); education and health services (+5.9 percent); leisure and hospitality (+5.7 percent); other services (+2.7 percent); government (+2.7 percent); and trade, transportation, and utilities (+2.6 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 (+13,600 jobs); mining, logging, and construction (+10,200 jobs); education and health services (+8,400 jobs); professional and business services (+6,800 jobs); trade, transportation, and utilities (+5,700 jobs); government (+3,300 jobs); manufacturing (+3,100 jobs); and other services (+1,100 jobs).
- The information (-400 jobs) and financial activities (-200 jobs) industries lost jobs over the year.
- In August 2016 nonagricultural employment in the The Villages MSA was 26,900, an increase of 800 jobs (+3.1 percent) over the year.

Unemployment Rates (not seasonally adjusted)			
	Aug-16	Jul-16	Aug-15
CareerSource Central Florida	4.5%	4.7%	5.2%
Lake County	4.7%	5.0%	5.5%
Orange County	4.3%	4.5%	5.0%
Osceola County	5.0%	5.2%	5.8%
Seminole County	4.2%	4.5%	4.9%
Sumter County	6.7%	7.1%	7.6%
Florida	4.9%	5.1%	5.6%
United States	5.0%	5.1%	5.2%

Nonagricultural Employment by Industry (not seasonally adjusted)	Orlando-Kissimmee-Sanford Metropolitan Statistical Area				Florida			
	Aug-16	Aug-15	change	percent change	Aug-16	Aug-15	change	percent change
Total Employment	1,212,800	1,161,200	51,600	4.4	8,328,900	8,086,600	242,300	3.0
Mining, Logging, and Construction	72,100	61,900	10,200	16.5	466,500	443,000	23,500	5.3
Manufacturing	44,400	41,300	3,100	7.5	357,000	344,700	12,300	3.6
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	226,800	221,100	5,700	2.6	1,710,700	1,674,300	36,400	2.2
Wholesale Trade	43,800	43,900	-100	-0.2	337,900	334,500	3,400	1.0
Retail Trade	148,200	142,500	5,700	4.0	1,101,600	1,074,900	26,700	2.5
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	34,800	34,700	100	0.3	271,200	264,900	6,300	2.4
Information	23,500	23,900	-400	-1.7	132,800	136,500	-3,700	-2.7
Financial Activities	72,800	73,000	-200	-0.3	553,400	538,600	14,800	2.7
Professional and Business Services	202,100	195,300	6,800	3.5	1,281,000	1,223,800	57,200	4.7
Education and Health Services	151,600	143,200	8,400	5.9	1,237,000	1,193,500	43,500	3.6
Leisure and Hospitality	253,900	240,300	13,600	5.7	1,161,900	1,123,800	38,100	3.4
Other Services	41,700	40,600	1,100	2.7	334,900	329,900	5,000	1.5
Government	123,900	120,600	3,300	2.7	1,093,700	1,078,500	15,200	1.4

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