

EMPLOYMENT GROWTH REPORT

The Tampa area unemployment rate declined again this month, showing an improvement month-over-month from 6.8% in August to 6.1% in September, a decline of 0.7 percentage points.

- Two major industries gained jobs YOY in September: Government (+2,400); and Manufacturing (+800).
- The industry losing the most jobs YOY: Leisure & Hospitality (-34,200 jobs) & Professional & Business Services (-12,600 jobs).

The Florida unemployment rate was 7.6% for the month of September, up 0.3 percentage points from August.

The number of private-sector jobs increased 36,100, up 0.5 percent from August 2020

- Florida’s labor force was down 2,000 (-less than 0.1 percent) over the month.

Data Series	April 2020	May 2020	June 2020	July 2020	August 2020	Sept 2020 (P)
Labor Force Data						
Florida Unemployment Rate	13.8	13.7	10.3	11.4	7.3	7.6
Tampa Unemployment Rate(2)	13.2	12.2	9	10.2	6.8	6.1*
Nonfarm Wage and Salary Employment						
Total Nonfarm(3)	1,244.50	1,283.20	1,310.10	1,307.50	1,322.50	1,325.10
12-month % change	-9.9	-7.2	-4.4	-4.5	-4.4	-4.3
Mining and Logging(3)	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
12-month % change	0	0	0	0	0	0
Construction(3)	80.20	81.30	82.90	84.00	82.40	80.3
12-month % change	0.1	0.7	2.5	4	1.6	-2
Manufacturing(3)	67	67.9	69.4	68.7	68.9	70
12-month % change	-2	-1.2	0.7	-0.9	-0.7	1.2
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities(3)	234.3	235.3	241.8	242.3	244.4	244.6
12-month % change	-6.3	-5.9	-3.4	-3.4	-2.8	-2.6
Information(3)	24.3	24.2	24.3	23.9	23.9	24
12-month % change	-5.4	-6.2	-5.8	-6.3	-6.6	-5.1
Financial Activities(3)	118.9	119.1	120.4	120.7	121.2	120.6
12-month % change	-1.3	-1.4	-0.8	-0.7	-0.7	-1.1
Professional & Business Services(3)	226.1	227.6	229.3	235.5	236	235
12-month % change	-8.8	-7.9	-6.8	-4.5	-5	-5.1
Education & Health Services(3)	205.1	210.2	211	211.6	214.3	217
12-month % change	-5.2	-4	-3	-2.1	-2	-1.4
Leisure & Hospitality(3)	92.5	118.3	135.8	130.1	129.2	128.5
12-month % change	-44.1	-28.2	-16.1	-20.1	-21.3	-21
Other Services(3)	34.8	41	45.5	42.9	43.6	44.7
12-month % change	-26.6	-13.7	-4.4	-9.7	-7.8	-5.3
Government(3)	161	158	149.4	147.5	158.3	160.1
12-month % change	0.9	0.1	0.1	0.2	2.5	1.5

Source: [U.S. Bureau of Labor and Statistics](#) & [Florida Department of Economic Opportunity](#)

Footnotes: (1) Number of persons, in thousands, not seasonally adjusted, (2) In percent, not seasonally adjusted, (3) Number of jobs, in thousands, not seasonally adjusted, (4) All Urban Consumers, base: 1987=100, not seasonally adjusted, (5) Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers, base: 1987=100, not seasonally adjusted, (P) Preliminary



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