

**Overview of the CareerSource Polk Region  
Not Seasonally Adjusted  
August 21, 2020**

- The unemployment rate in the CareerSource Polk region (Polk County) was 13.2 percent in July 2020. This rate was 9.1 percentage point higher than the region's year ago rate of 4.1 percent. The labor force was 304,430, down 2,290 (-0.7) over the year. There were 40,238 unemployed residents in the region.
- In July 2020 nonagricultural employment in the Lakeland-Winter Haven MSA was 220,400, a decrease of 10,300 jobs (-4.5 percent) over the year.
- The mining, logging, and construction (+8.5 percent); financial activities (+0.8 percent); and government (+0.8 percent) industries grew faster in the metro area than statewide over the year.
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- The Lakeland-Winter Haven MSA had the second fastest annual job growth rate compared to all the metro areas in the state in financial activities (+0.8 percent).
- The Lakeland-Winter Haven MSA had the third highest annual job growth compared to all the metro areas in the state in mining, logging, and construction (+1,200 jobs) and government (+200 jobs).
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- The industries gaining in jobs over the year were: mining, logging, and construction (+1,200 jobs); government (+200 jobs); and financial activities (+100 jobs).
- The leisure and hospitality (-4,600); education and health services (-2,900 jobs); trade, transportation, and utilities (-2,700 jobs); other services (-800 jobs); manufacturing (-500 jobs); information (-200 jobs); and professional and business services (-100 jobs) industries lost jobs over the year.

Note: All data are subject to revision.

Source: Florida Department of Economic Opportunity, Bureau of Workforce Statistics and Economic Research.

<b>Unemployment Rates (not seasonally adjusted)</b>	<b>Jul-20</b>	<b>Jun-20</b>	<b>Jul-19</b>
CareerSource Polk (Polk County)	13.2%	13.6%	4.1%
Florida	11.5%	10.5%	3.4%
United States	10.5%	11.2%	4.0%

<b>Nonagricultural Employment by Industry (not seasonally adjusted)</b>	<b>Lakeland-Winter Haven Metropolitan Statistical Area</b>				<b>Florida</b>			
	<b>Jul-20</b>	<b>Jul-19</b>	<b>change</b>	<b>percent change</b>	<b>Jul-20</b>	<b>Jul-19</b>	<b>change</b>	<b>percent change</b>
Total Employment	220,400	230,700	-10,300	-4.5	8,347,400	8,821,700	-474,300	-5.4
Mining, Logging, and Construction	15,400	14,200	1,200	8.5	572,400	571,600	800	0.1
Manufacturing	17,500	18,000	-500	-2.8	373,500	384,500	-11,000	-2.9
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	57,600	60,300	-2,700	-4.5	1,730,000	1,787,500	-57,500	-3.2
Wholesale Trade	10,400	11,300	-900	-8.0	340,400	353,000	-12,600	-3.6
Retail Trade	27,800	28,700	-900	-3.1	1,057,800	1,096,300	-38,500	-3.5
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utiliti	19,400	20,300	-900	-4.4	331,800	338,200	-6,400	-1.9
Information	1,800	2,000	-200	-10.0	126,900	138,500	-11,600	-8.4
Financial Activities	13,400	13,300	100	0.8	583,600	591,900	-8,300	-1.4
Professional and Business Services	31,800	31,900	-100	-0.3	1,311,800	1,391,100	-79,300	-5.7
Education and Health Services	30,800	33,700	-2,900	-8.6	1,295,300	1,318,500	-23,200	-1.8
Leisure and Hospitality	19,900	24,500	-4,600	-18.8	1,004,600	1,245,700	-241,100	-19.4
Other Services	5,900	6,700	-800	-11.9	320,600	353,300	-32,700	-9.3
Government	26,300	26,100	200	0.8	1,028,700	1,039,100	-10,400	-1.0

<b>Population</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>change</b>	<b>percent change</b>
CareerSource Polk (Polk County)	686,483	667,018	19,465	2.9
Florida	21,477,737	21,244,317	233,420	1.1

<b>Average Annual Wage</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>change</b>	<b>percent change</b>
CareerSource Polk (Polk County)	\$43,821	\$42,574	\$1,247	2.9
Florida	\$51,761	\$50,092	\$1,669	3.3

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