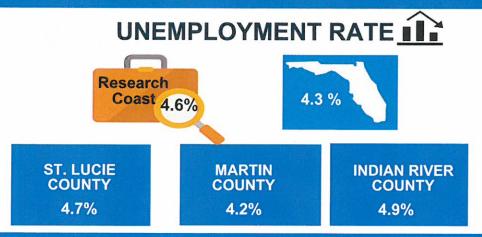


EMPLOYMENT REPORT

April 21st, 2017

The unemployment rate in the CareerSource Research Coast region (Indian River, Martin, and St. Lucie counties) was 4.6 percent in March 2017. This rate was 0.6 percentage point lower than the region's year ago rate of 5.2 percent.

Out of a labor force of 275,568 there were 12,782 unemployed residents in the region.

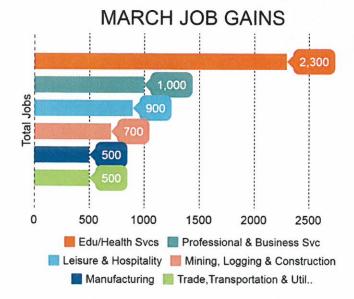


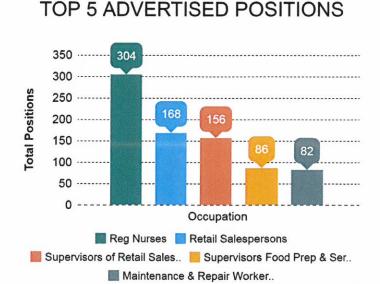
*The Port St. Lucie MSA accounted for the majority of the nonagricultural employment in the CareerSource Research Coast area, accounting for 147,000 jobs in March 2017, an increase of 3,900 jobs from March 2016. The education and health services (+6.3 percent); manufacturing (+6.0 percent); professional and business services (+4.3 percent); and leisure and hospitality (+2.6 percent) industries grew faster in the metro area than the statewide over the year. The industries gaining in jobs over the year were: education and health services (+1,600 jobs); professional and business services (+700 jobs); trade, transportation, and utilities (+500 jobs); leisure and hospitality (+500 jobs); mining, logging, and construction (+400 jobs); manufacturing (+400 jobs); financial activities (+100 jobs); and other services (+100 jobs). The government (-400 jobs) industry lost jobs over the year.

The information industry was unchanged over the year.

Nonagricultural employment in the Sebastian-Vero Beach MSA was 52,500, an increase of 1,900 jobs over the year. The Sebastian-Vero Beach MSA had the fastest annual job growth rate compared to all the metro areas in the state in education and health services (+6.9 percent) in March 2017. The industries gaining in jobs over the year were: education and health services (+700 jobs); leisure and hospitality (+400 jobs); mining, logging, and construction (+300 jobs); professional and business services (+300 jobs); manufacturing (+100 jobs); other services (+100 jobs) and government (+100 jobs). The information (-100 jobs) industry lost jobs over the year.

INDUSTRY SECTORS WITH THE LARGEST JOB GAINS





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