

**Overview of the CareerSource Pinellas Region
Not Seasonally Adjusted
January 19, 2018**

- The unemployment rate in the CareerSource Pinellas region (Pinellas County) was 3.2 percent in December 2017. This rate was 1.0 percentage point lower than the region's year ago rate of 4.2 percent. The region's December 2017 unemployment rate was 0.5 percentage point lower than the state rate of 3.7 percent. The labor force was 491,720, up 7,155 (+1.5) over the year. There were 15,947 unemployed residents in the region.
- In December 2017 nonagricultural employment in the Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater MSA was 1,357,800, an increase of 29,100 jobs (+2.2 percent) over the year.
- The Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater MSA had the fastest annual job growth rate compared to all the metro areas in the state in other services (+8.7 percent) in December 2017.
- The Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater MSA had the second fastest annual job growth rate compared to all the metro areas in the state in information (+6.3 percent) in December 2017.
- The Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater MSA had the highest annual job growth compared to all the metro areas in the state in other services (+4,000 jobs) and information (+1,600 jobs) in December 2017.
- The Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater MSA had the second highest annual job growth compared to all the metro areas in the state in professional and business services (+7,000 jobs) and financial activities (+3,500 jobs) in December 2017.
- The Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater MSA had the third highest annual job growth compared to all the metro areas in the state in education and health services (+6,100 jobs) in December 2017.
- The other services (+8.7 percent); information (+6.3 percent); financial activities (+3.2 percent); education and health services (+3.0 percent); and leisure and hospitality (+1.1 percent) industries grew faster in the metro area than statewide over the year.
- The industries gaining in jobs over the year were: professional and business services (+7,000 jobs); education and health services (+6,100 jobs); other services (+4,000 jobs); financial activities (+3,500 jobs); trade, transportation, and utilities (+2,600 jobs); leisure and hospitality (+1,700 jobs); information (+1,600 jobs); government (+1,100 jobs); manufacturing (+800 jobs); and mining, logging, and construction (+700 jobs).

Note: All data are subject to revision.

Source: Florida Department of Economic Opportunity, Bureau of Labor Market Statistics.

Unemployment Rates (not seasonally adjusted)	Dec-17	Nov-17	Dec-16
CareerSource Pinellas (Pinellas County)	3.2%	3.4%	4.2%
Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater MSA	3.4%	3.6%	4.5%
Florida	3.7%	3.8%	4.7%
United States	3.9%	3.9%	4.5%

Nonagricultural Employment by Industry (not seasonally adjusted)	Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater Metropolitan Statistical Area				Florida			
	Dec-17	Dec-16	change	percent change	Dec-17	Dec-16	change	percent change
Total Employment	1,357,800	1,328,700	29,100	2.2	8,801,900	8,581,400	220,500	2.6
Mining, Logging, and Construction	76,300	75,600	700	0.9	537,400	492,900	44,500	9.0
Manufacturing	65,800	65,000	800	1.2	375,700	359,700	16,000	4.4
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	260,300	257,700	2,600	1.0	1,818,500	1,787,600	30,900	1.7
Wholesale Trade	53,000	52,300	700	1.3	355,600	341,800	13,800	4.0
Retail Trade	173,300	173,300	0	0.0	1,162,200	1,151,900	10,300	0.9
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	34,000	32,100	1,900	5.9	300,700	293,900	6,800	2.3
Information	27,100	25,500	1,600	6.3	140,900	138,200	2,700	2.0
Financial Activities	112,500	109,000	3,500	3.2	569,800	556,300	13,500	2.4
Professional and Business Services	246,000	239,000	7,000	2.9	1,368,300	1,311,600	56,700	4.3
Education and Health Services	211,100	205,000	6,100	3.0	1,293,300	1,273,800	19,500	1.5
Leisure and Hospitality	149,800	148,100	1,700	1.1	1,199,300	1,188,000	11,300	1.0
Other Services	50,200	46,200	4,000	8.7	372,800	358,200	14,600	4.1
Government	158,700	157,600	1,100	0.7	1,125,900	1,115,100	10,800	1.0

Population	2016	2015	change	percent change
CareerSource Pinellas (Pinellas County)	960,730	948,391	12,339	1.3
Florida	20,612,439	20,244,914	367,525	1.8

Average Annual Wage	2016	2015	change	percent change
CareerSource Pinellas (Pinellas County)	\$47,004	\$46,054	\$950	2.1
Florida	\$47,055	\$46,236	\$819	1.8

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