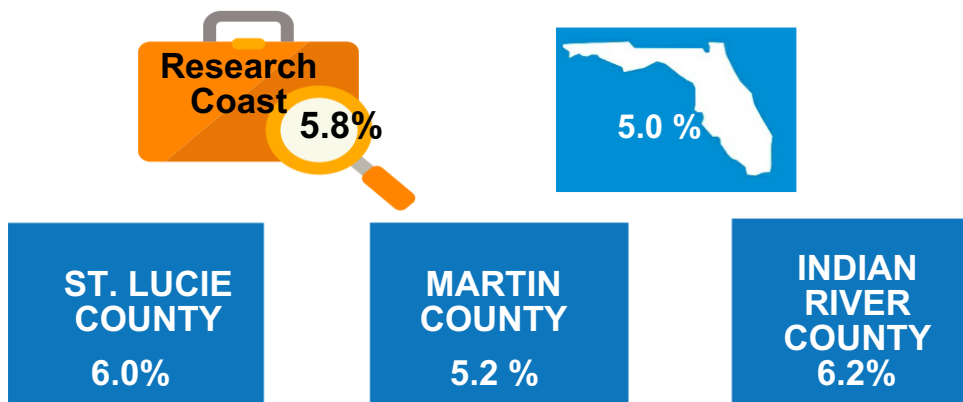


The unemployment rate in the CareerSource Research Coast region (Indian River, Martin, and St. Lucie counties) was 5.8% in January 2017. This rate was 0.2 percentage point higher than the region's year ago rate of 5.6%. Out of a labor force of 273,589 there were 15,975 unemployed residents in the region. Employment in the combined CareerSource Research Coast metro areas was 197,800 an increase of 6,800 jobs (+3.6 percent) over the previous year.

### UNEMPLOYMENT RATE

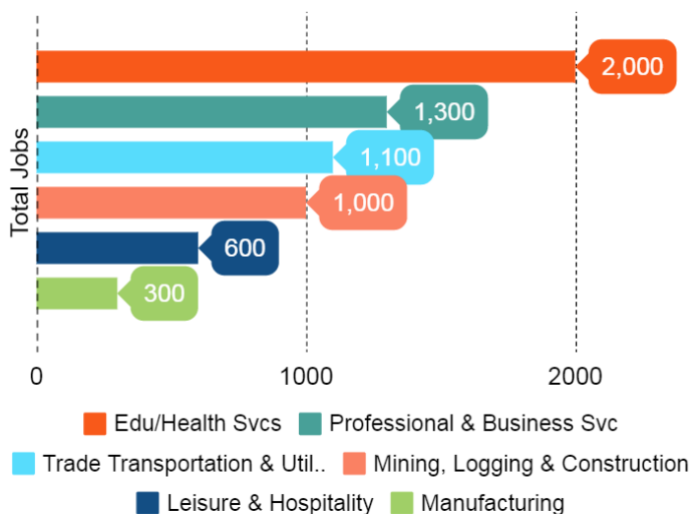


\*The Port St. Lucie MSA accounted for 145,900 jobs in January 2017, an increase of 4,800 jobs from Jan 2016. The professional and business services (+6.8 percent); education and health services (+5.5 percent); and trade, transportation, and utilities (+2.9 percent) industries grew as fast or faster in the metro area than the statewide over the year.

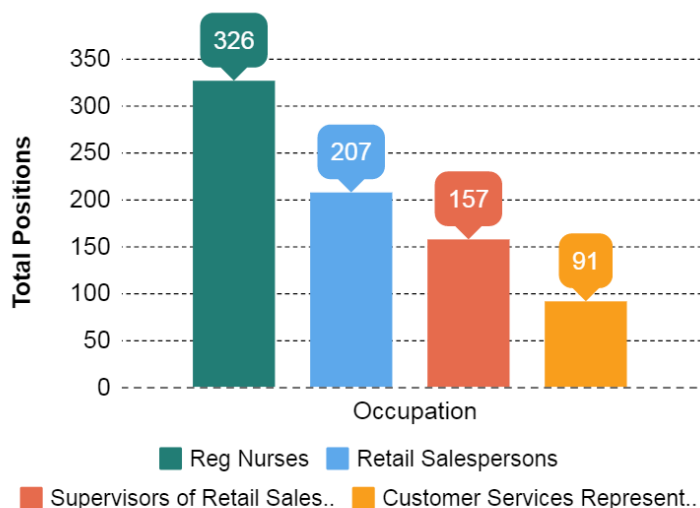
\*Employment in the Sebastian-Vero Beach MSA was 51,900, an increase of 2,000 jobs (+4.0 %) over the year. The Sebastian-Vero Beach MSA had the second fastest annual job growth rate compared to all the metro areas in the state in mining, logging, and construction (+11.8 percent) in January 2017.

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