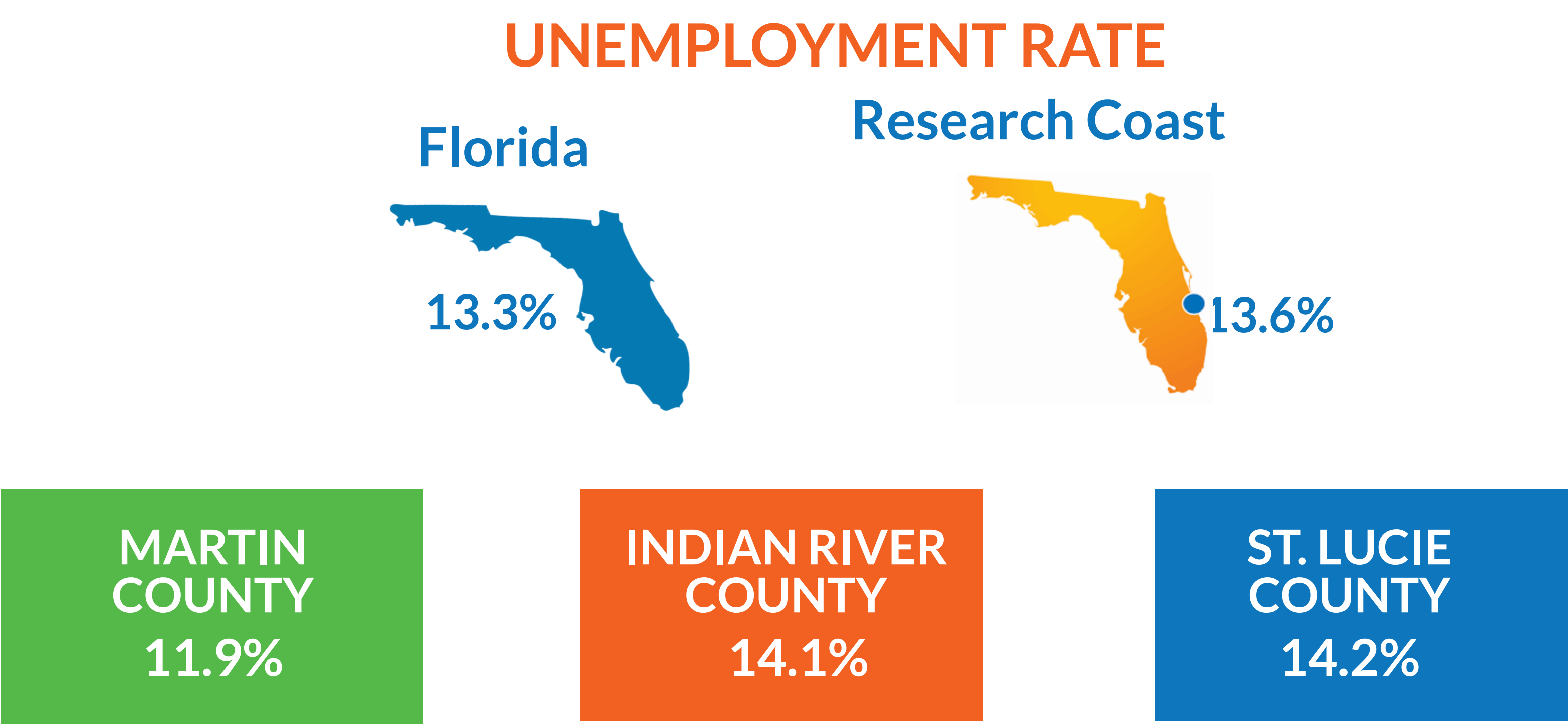


EMPLOYMENT REPORT

May 22, 2020

The unemployment rate in the CareerSource Research Coast region (Indian River, Martin, and St. Lucie counties) was 13.6 percent in April 2020. This rate was 10.2 percentage point higher than the region's year ago rate of 3.4 percent. The labor force was 267,693, down 15,022 (-5.3) over the year. There were 36,437 unemployed residents in the region.



The CareerSource Research Coast region contains two metropolitan statistical areas (MSAs): the Port St. Lucie MSA (Martin and St. Lucie counties) and the Sebastian-Vero Beach MSA (Indian River County).

In April 2020, nonagricultural employment in the combined CareerSource Research Coast metro areas was 195,500, a decrease of 15,700 jobs (-7.4 percent) over the previous year.

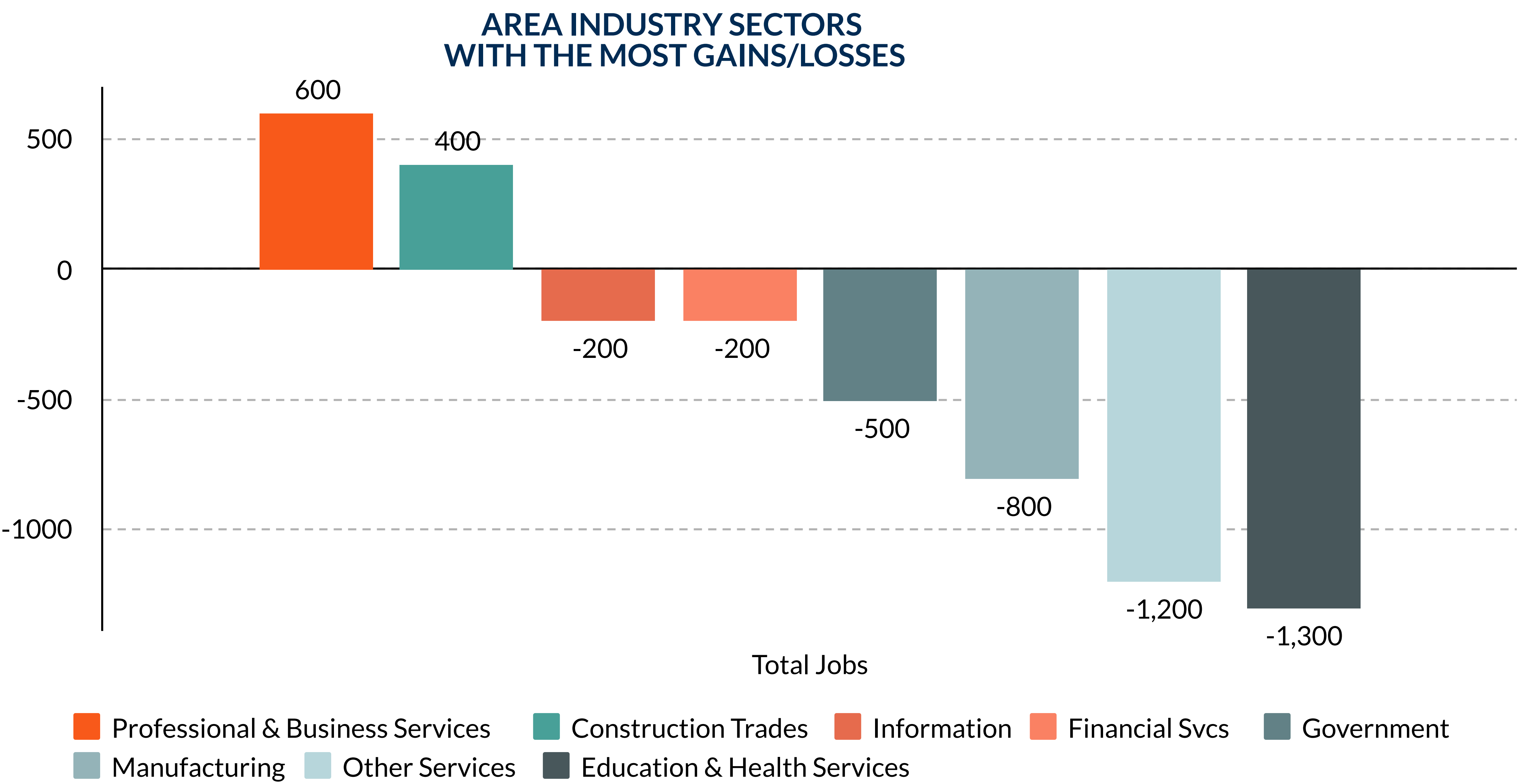
The majority of the nonagricultural employment in the CareerSource Research Coast region was in the Port St. Lucie metro area. This metro area accounted for 145,000 jobs in April 2020, a decrease of 11,100 jobs from April 2019 (-7.1 percent).

The mining, logging, and construction (+5.1 percent) and professional and business services (+4.0 percent) industries grew faster in the metro area than the statewide over the year.

The leisure and hospitality (-6,700 jobs); trade, transportation, and utilities (-2,900 jobs); education and health services (-1,200 jobs); other services (-600 jobs); manufacturing (-500 jobs); government (-400 jobs); information (-100 jobs); and financial activities (-100 jobs) lost jobs over the year.

In April 2020 nonagricultural employment in the Sebastian-Vero Beach MSA was 50,500, a decrease of 4,600 jobs (-8.3 percent) over the year.

The leisure and hospitality (-2,100 jobs); trade, transportation, and utilities (-800 jobs); other services (-600 jobs); professional and business services (-400 jobs); manufacturing (-300 jobs); information (-100 jobs); financial activities (-100 jobs); education and health services (-100 jobs); and government (-100 jobs) lost jobs over the year.



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