



Economic Overview

City of Frostproof, FL



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Demographic Profile

The population in the City of Frostproof, FL was 3,217 per American Community Survey data for 2016-2020.

The region has a civilian labor force of 983 with a participation rate of 35.9%. Of individuals 25 to 64 in the City of Frostproof, FL, 11.2% have a bachelor's degree or higher which compares with 34.3% in the nation.

The median household income in the City of Frostproof, FL is \$43,730 and the median house value is \$86,900.

Summary¹

	City of Frostproof, FL	Percent Polk County, Florida	Florida	City of Frostproof, FL	Value Polk County, Florida	Florida
Demographics						
Population (ACS)	—	—	—	3,217	705,735	21,216,924
Male	47.6%	49.0%	48.9%	1,530	345,812	10,374,594
Female	52.4%	51.0%	51.1%	1,687	359,923	10,842,330
Median Age ²	—	—	—	57.8	40.2	42.2
Under 18 Years	16.6%	22.1%	19.9%	535	156,115	4,214,444
18 to 24 Years	4.8%	8.4%	8.2%	155	59,206	1,747,154
25 to 34 Years	12.2%	13.1%	13.0%	393	92,463	2,766,491
35 to 44 Years	4.9%	11.9%	12.1%	157	84,002	2,567,758
45 to 54 Years	8.5%	12.0%	12.9%	274	84,405	2,733,769
55 to 64 Years	15.2%	12.3%	13.4%	489	86,477	2,839,396
65 to 74 Years	20.6%	11.3%	11.3%	664	80,036	2,393,704
75 Years and Over	17.1%	8.9%	9.2%	550	63,031	1,954,208
Race: White	88.1%	73.3%	71.6%	2,835	517,569	15,199,588
Race: Black or African American	3.6%	15.3%	15.9%	116	107,633	3,381,061
Race: American Indian and Alaska Native	0.0%	0.3%	0.3%	0	2,306	55,655
Race: Asian	0.6%	1.7%	2.8%	19	12,257	590,668
Race: Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	0.0%	0.0%	0.1%	0	333	13,339
Race: Some Other Race	3.8%	4.2%	3.3%	122	29,844	699,596
Race: Two or More Races	3.9%	5.1%	6.0%	125	35,793	1,277,017
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	17.6%	23.5%	25.8%	566	166,076	5,468,826
Economic						
Labor Force Participation Rate and Size (civilian population 16 years and over)	35.9%	55.3%	58.8%	983	313,393	10,240,825
Prime-Age Labor Force Participation Rate and Size (civilian population 25-54)	71.6%	78.2%	81.5%	590	203,690	6,539,614
Armed Forces Labor Force	0.0%	0.1%	0.4%	0	453	67,243
Veterans, Age 18-64	2.4%	5.0%	5.2%	35	20,223	654,858
Veterans Labor Force Participation Rate and Size, Age 18-64	100.0%	71.1%	74.6%	35	14,370	488,322
Median Household Income ²	—	—	—	\$43,730	\$51,535	\$57,703
Per Capita Income	—	—	—	\$20,904	\$25,820	\$32,848
Mean Commute Time (minutes)	—	—	—	27.9	28.4	27.9
Commute via Public Transportation	0.0%	0.4%	1.6%	0	1,146	154,580
Educational Attainment, Age 25-64						
No High School Diploma	19.2%	14.3%	10.5%	252	49,706	1,146,217
High School Graduate	38.3%	32.9%	27.5%	503	114,369	2,996,225
Some College, No Degree	24.4%	21.8%	19.8%	321	75,569	2,162,810
Associate's Degree	6.9%	10.5%	11.1%	90	36,567	1,206,009
Bachelor's Degree	7.0%	14.1%	20.4%	92	48,986	2,228,827
Postgraduate Degree	4.2%	6.4%	10.7%	55	22,150	1,167,326
Housing						

Summary¹

	Percent			Value		
	City of Frostproof, FL	Polk County, Florida	Florida	City of Frostproof, FL	Polk County, Florida	Florida
Total Housing Units	—	—	—	1,770	300,596	9,562,324
Median House Value (of owner-occupied units) ²	—	—	—	\$86,900	\$162,400	\$232,000
Homeowner Vacancy	3.1%	2.2%	2.1%	32	3,868	112,114
Rental Vacancy	9.5%	6.2%	8.2%	34	4,916	242,453
Renter-Occupied Housing Units (% of Occupied Units)	25.2%	30.5%	33.8%	323	73,584	2,680,435
Occupied Housing Units with No Vehicle Available (% of Occupied Units)	3.3%	5.4%	6.1%	42	12,941	485,183
Social						
Poverty Level (of all people)	8.3%	15.1%	13.3%	265	104,509	2,772,939
Households Receiving Food Stamps/SNAP	23.6%	14.5%	13.2%	303	34,848	1,044,055
Enrolled in Grade 12 (% of total population)	0.7%	1.4%	1.2%	23	9,616	262,770
Disconnected Youth ³	14.5%	3.7%	2.8%	17	1,284	26,748
Children in Single Parent Families (% of all children)	46.5%	40.2%	38.5%	239	58,673	1,533,720
Uninsured	6.6%	13.0%	12.7%	211	90,387	2,646,931
With a Disability, Age 18-64	9.1%	12.5%	10.1%	134	50,161	1,252,765
With a Disability, Age 18-64, Labor Force Participation Rate and Size	25.4%	35.3%	40.4%	34	17,700	506,335
Foreign Born	8.7%	10.5%	20.8%	279	74,414	4,410,286
Speak English Less Than Very Well (population 5 yrs and over)	6.9%	8.2%	11.8%	214	54,227	2,370,626

Source: [JobsEQ®](#)

1. American Community Survey 2016-2020, unless noted otherwise

2. Median values for certain aggregate regions (such as MSAs) may be estimated as the weighted averages of the median values from the composing counties.

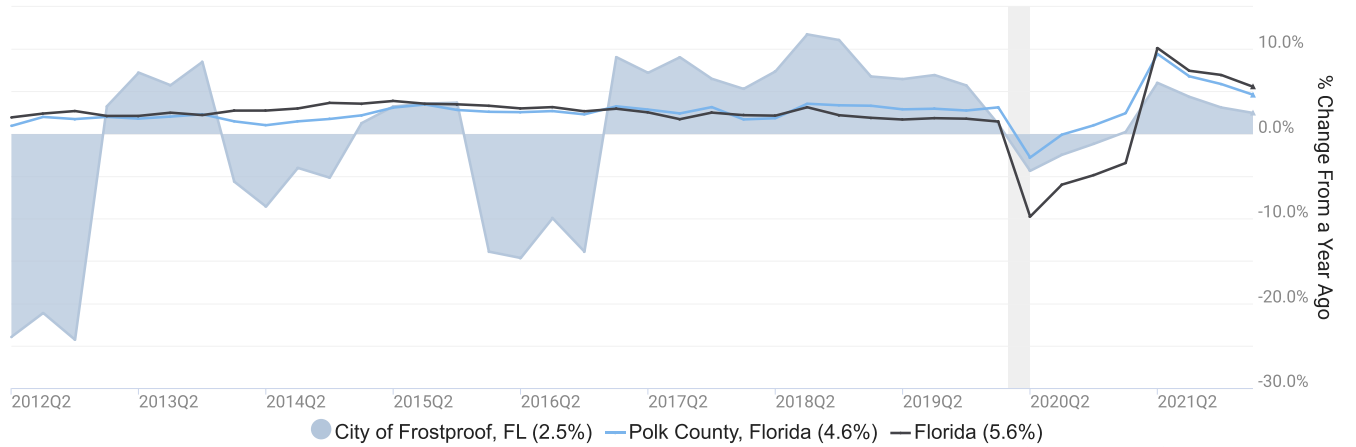
3. Disconnected Youth are 16-19 year olds who are (1) not in school, (2) not high school graduates, and (3) either unemployed or not in the labor force.

4. Census Population Estimate for 2020, annual average growth rate since 2010.

Employment Trends

As of 2022Q1, total employment for the City of Frostproof, FL was 1,117 (based on a four-quarter moving average). Over the year ending 2022Q1, employment increased 2.5% in the region.

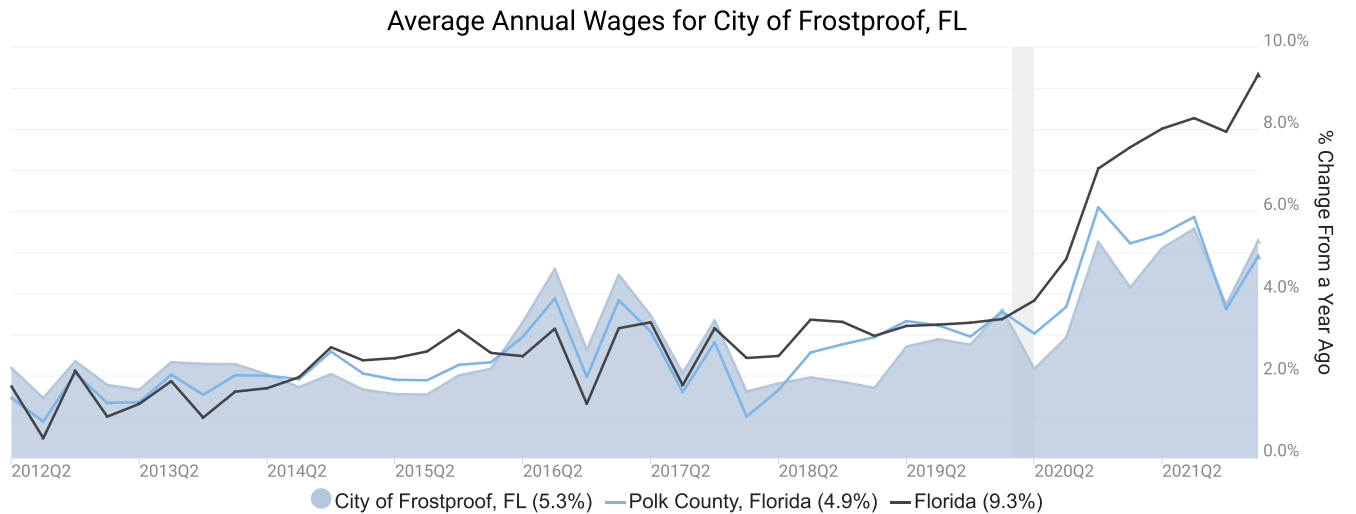
Employment for City of Frostproof, FL



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Wage Trends

The average worker in the City of Frostproof, FL earned annual wages of \$47,173 as of 2022Q1. Average annual wages per worker increased 5.3% in the region over the preceding four quarters. For comparison purposes, annual average wages were \$66,637 in the nation as of 2022Q1.



Annual average wages per worker data are derived from the Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages, provided by the Bureau of Labor Statistics and imputed where necessary. Data are updated through 2021Q4 with preliminary estimates updated to 2022Q1.

Cost of Living Index

The Cost of Living Index estimates the relative price levels for consumer goods and services. When applied to wages and salaries, the result is a measure of relative purchasing power. The cost of living is 7.8% lower in City of Frostproof, FL than the U.S. average.

Cost of Living Information

	Annual Average Salary	Cost of Living Index (Base US)	US Purchasing Power
City of Frostproof, FL	\$47,173	92.2	\$51,144
Polk County, Florida	\$47,665	92.2	\$51,676
Florida	\$59,712	103.8	\$57,519
USA	\$66,637	100.0	\$66,637

Source: [JobsEQ®](#)

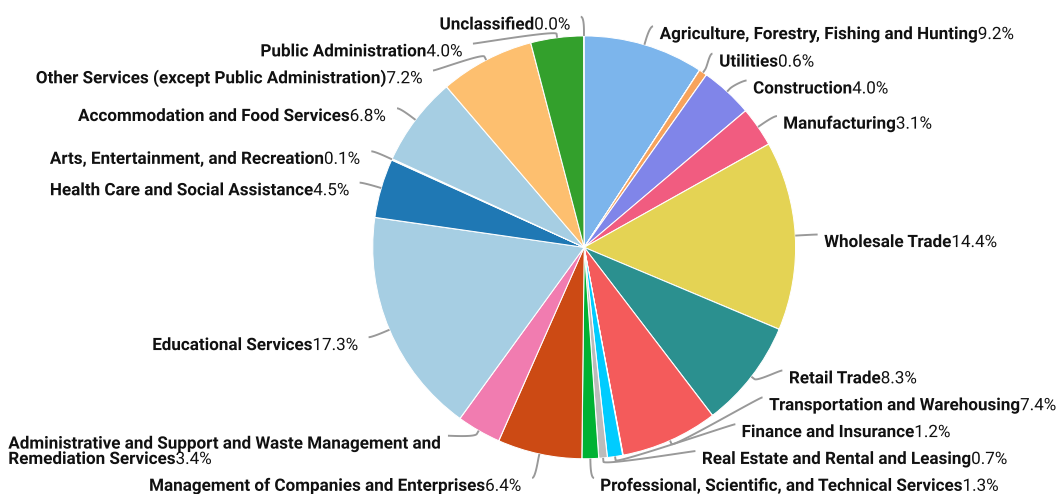
Data as of 2022Q1

Cost of Living per [COLI](#), data as of 2022Q1, imputed by Chmura where necessary.

Industry Snapshot

The largest sector in the City of Frostproof, FL is Educational Services, employing 193 workers. The next-largest sectors in the region are Wholesale Trade (161 workers) and Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting (103). High location quotients (LQs) indicate sectors in which a region has high concentrations of employment compared to the national average. The sectors with the largest LQs in the region are Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting (LQ = 6.82), Management of Companies and Enterprises (4.30), and Wholesale Trade (3.86).

Total Workers for City of Frostproof, FL by Industry



Source: JobsEQ®, Data as of 2022Q1

Employment data are derived from the Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages, provided by the Bureau of Labor Statistics and imputed where necessary. Data are updated through 2021Q4 with preliminary estimates updated to 2022Q1.

Sectors in the City of Frostproof, FL with the highest average wages per worker are Utilities (\$104,690), Management of Companies and Enterprises (\$87,620), and Finance and Insurance (\$70,958). Regional sectors with the best job growth (or most moderate job losses) over the last 5 years are Accommodation and Food Services (+42 jobs), Educational Services (+41), and Other Services (except Public Administration) (+39).

Over the next 10 years, employment in the City of Frostproof, FL is projected to expand by 288 jobs. The fastest growing sector in the region is expected to be Accommodation and Food Services with a +3.8% year-over-year rate of growth. The strongest forecast by number of jobs over this period is expected for Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting (+43 jobs), Educational Services (+42), and Accommodation and Food Services (+34).

City of Frostproof, FL, 2022Q1¹

NAICS	Industry	Empl	Current	5-Year History			10-Year Forecast				
			Avg Ann Wages	LQ	Empl Change	Ann %	Total Demand	Exits	Transfers	Empl Growth	Ann % Growth
61	Educational Services	193	\$51,975	2.16	41	4.9%	242	89	111	42	2.0%
42	Wholesale Trade	161	\$66,217	3.86	37	5.3%	219	64	122	33	1.9%
11	Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	103	\$39,150	6.82	-55	-8.2%	192	59	89	43	3.6%
44	Retail Trade	93	\$34,980	0.80	29	7.8%	142	53	78	11	1.2%
48	Transportation and Warehousing	83	\$43,996	1.48	-7	-1.7%	122	39	63	20	2.2%
81	Other Services (except Public Administration)	81	\$32,004	1.67	39	13.9%	119	41	59	19	2.1%
72	Accommodation and Food Services	76	\$22,270	0.83	42	17.2%	188	65	89	34	3.8%
55	Management of Companies and Enterprises	72	\$87,620	4.30	17	5.5%	85	24	46	15	1.9%
62	Health Care and Social Assistance	51	\$55,238	0.31	25	14.5%	80	26	32	22	3.7%
23	Construction	45	\$52,233	0.68	4	2.1%	58	15	32	10	2.0%
92	Public Administration	45	\$52,939	0.86	2	1.1%	56	18	29	10	2.0%
56	Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services	38	\$36,194	0.52	17	12.8%	58	19	30	10	2.3%
31	Manufacturing	34	\$64,845	0.38	34	n/a	47	13	26	8	2.1%
54	Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	14	\$63,900	0.18	1	1.9%	19	5	9	5	2.8%
52	Finance and Insurance	13	\$70,958	0.28	-3	-4.5%	15	4	8	2	1.6%
22	Utilities	7	\$104,690	1.20	0	-0.1%	8	2	5	1	1.8%
53	Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	7	\$45,608	0.37	1	2.3%	10	3	5	2	2.0%
71	Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	1	\$25,108	0.05	0	1.8%	2	1	1	0	2.6%
51	Information	0	n/a	0.00	-1	n/a	0	0	0	0	1.8%
Total - All Industries		1,117	\$47,173	1.00	223	4.6%	1,650	535	826	288	2.3%

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Data as of 2022Q1

Note: Figures may not sum due to rounding.

1. All data based upon a four-quarter moving average

Exits and transfers are approximate estimates based upon occupation separation rates.

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Occupation Snapshot

The largest major occupation group in the City of Frostproof, FL is Transportation and Material Moving Occupations, employing 153 workers. The next-largest occupation groups in the region are Office and Administrative Support Occupations (134 workers) and Educational Instruction and Library Occupations (130). High location quotients (LQs) indicate occupation groups in which a region has high concentrations of employment compared to the national average. The major groups with the largest LQs in the region are Farming, Fishing, and Forestry Occupations (LQ = 9.16), Educational Instruction and Library Occupations (2.17), and Transportation and Material Moving Occupations (1.57).

Occupation groups in the City of Frostproof, FL with the highest average wages per worker are Management Occupations (\$102,800), Legal Occupations (\$97,000), and Healthcare Practitioners and Technical Occupations (\$88,000). The unemployment rate in the region varied among the major groups from 2.4% among Management Occupations to 9.7% among Food Preparation and Serving Related Occupations.

Over the next 10 years, the fastest growing occupation group in the City of Frostproof, FL is expected to be Farming, Fishing, and Forestry Occupations with a +3.7% year-over-year rate of growth. The strongest forecast by number of jobs over this period is expected for Transportation and Material Moving Occupations (+40 jobs) and Educational Instruction and Library Occupations (+31). Over the same period, the highest separation demand (occupation demand due to retirements and workers moving from one occupation to another) is expected in Transportation and Material Moving Occupations (216 jobs) and Food Preparation and Serving Related Occupations (163).

City of Frostproof, FL, 2022Q1¹

SOC	Occupation	Empl	Current				5-Year History			10-Year Forecast				
			Mean Ann Wages ²	LQ	Unempl	Unempl Rate	Online Job Ads	Empl Change	Ann %	Total Demand	Exits	Transfers	Empl Growth	Ann % Growth
53-0000	Transportation and Material Moving	153	\$37,500	1.57	14	7.6%	n/a	22	3.2%	256	79	137	40	2.4%
43-0000	Office and Administrative Support	134	\$38,200	0.97	5	4.8%	n/a	13	2.1%	171	68	87	16	1.2%
25-0000	Educational Instruction and Library	130	\$47,800	2.17	1	3.0%	n/a	29	5.1%	147	53	63	31	2.2%
41-0000	Sales and Related	109	\$41,800	1.03	7	7.3%	n/a	25	5.4%	165	56	90	19	1.6%
11-0000	Management	81	\$102,800	1.06	1	2.4%	n/a	17	4.8%	94	26	48	21	2.4%
35-0000	Food Preparation and Serving Related	80	\$27,000	0.92	14	9.7%	n/a	40	14.8%	195	68	95	31	3.4%
45-0000	Farming, Fishing, and Forestry	66	\$28,300	9.16	4	7.3%	n/a	-36	-8.2%	152	33	90	29	3.7%
13-0000	Business and Financial Operations	59	\$67,800	0.83	1	2.6%	n/a	19	7.9%	72	17	39	15	2.3%
37-0000	Building and Grounds Cleaning and Maintenance	41	\$29,800	1.11	7	7.1%	n/a	13	7.6%	70	24	36	11	2.3%
49-0000	Installation, Maintenance, and Repair	39	\$47,100	0.91	2	4.0%	n/a	11	6.4%	52	14	28	10	2.3%
51-0000	Production	36	\$38,700	0.57	6	6.5%	n/a	15	11.8%	50	14	28	8	1.9%
47-0000	Construction and Extraction	32	\$43,100	0.62	10	7.7%	n/a	5	3.8%	41	10	24	7	2.1%
21-0000	Community and Social Service	28	\$46,600	1.41	0	n/a	n/a	9	8.0%	43	12	21	10	3.1%
39-0000	Personal Care and Service	26	\$29,200	0.98	2	8.0%	n/a	12	12.9%	46	17	21	8	2.6%
15-0000	Computer and Mathematical	22	\$78,000	0.57	0	n/a	n/a	6	7.2%	24	5	12	6	2.5%
29-0000	Healthcare Practitioners and Technical	21	\$88,000	0.33	0	n/a	n/a	9	11.3%	21	6	8	7	2.9%

City of Frostproof, FL, 2022Q1¹

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			Mean Ann Wages ²	LQ	Unempl	Unempl Rate	Online Job Ads	Empl Change	Ann %	Total Demand	Exits	Transfers	Empl Growth	Ann % Growth
33- 0000	Protective Service	21	\$44,100	0.87	1	3.3%	n/a	3	2.8%	32	12	15	5	2.1%
27- 0000	Arts, Design, Entertainment, Sports, and Media	13	\$52,000	0.67	0	n/a	n/a	3	6.1%	18	6	9	3	2.4%
31- 0000	Healthcare Support	10	\$30,700	0.21	2	5.6%	n/a	5	12.2%	20	7	8	4	3.6%
17- 0000	Architecture and Engineering	7	\$77,500	0.37	0	n/a	n/a	2	5.9%	7	2	4	2	2.2%
19- 0000	Life, Physical, and Social Science	6	\$61,600	0.60	0	n/a	n/a	2	8.7%	7	1	4	2	2.4%
23- 0000	Legal	3	\$97,000	0.34	0	n/a	n/a	0	2.4%	3	1	1	1	2.6%
Total - All Occupations		1,117	\$48,000	1.00	n/a	n/a	n/a	223	4.6%	1,687	532	867	288	2.3%

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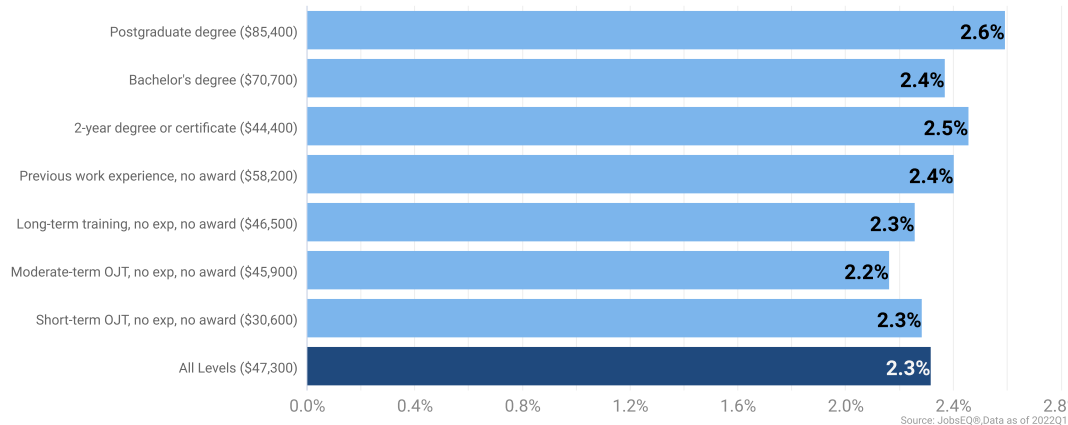
2. Wage data are as of 2021 and represent the average for all Covered Employment

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Education Levels

Expected growth rates for occupations vary by the education and training required. While all employment in the City of Frostproof, FL is projected to grow 2.3% over the next ten years, occupations typically requiring a postgraduate degree are expected to grow 2.6% per year, those requiring a bachelor's degree are forecast to grow 2.4% per year, and occupations typically needing a 2-year degree or certificate are expected to grow 2.5% per year.

Annual Average Projected Job Growth by Training Required



Employment by occupation data are estimates as of 2022Q1. Education levels of occupations are based on BLS assignments. Forecast employment growth uses national projections from the Bureau of Labor Statistics adapted for regional growth patterns.

FAQ

What is a location quotient?

A location quotient (LQ) is a measurement of concentration in comparison to the nation. An LQ of 1.00 indicates a region has the same concentration of an industry (or occupation) as the nation. An LQ of 2.00 would mean the region has twice the expected employment compared to the nation and an LQ of 0.50 would mean the region has half the expected employment in comparison to the nation.

What is separation demand?

Separation demand is the number of jobs required due to separations—labor force exits (including retirements) and turnover resulting from workers moving from one occupation into another. Note that separation demand does not include all turnover—it does not include when workers stay in the same occupation but switch employers. The total projected demand for an occupation is the sum of the separation demand and the growth demand (which is the increase or decrease of jobs in an occupation expected due to expansion or contraction of the overall number of jobs in that occupation).

What is a cluster?

A cluster is a geographic concentration of interrelated industries or occupations. If a regional cluster has a location quotient of 1.25 or greater, the region is considered to possess a competitive advantage in that cluster.

What is the difference between industry wages and occupation wages?

Industry wages and occupation wages are estimated via separate data sets, often the time periods being reported do not align, and wages are defined slightly differently in the two systems (for example, certain bonuses are included in the industry wages but not the occupation wages). It is therefore common that estimates of the average industry wages and average occupation wages in a region do not match exactly.

What is NAICS?

The North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) is used to classify business establishments according to the type of economic activity. The NAICS Code comprises six levels, from the “all industry” level to the 6-digit level. The first two digits define the top level category, known as the “sector,” which is the level examined in this report.

What is SOC?

The Standard Occupational Classification system (SOC) is used to classify workers into occupational categories. All workers are classified into one of over 804 occupations according to their occupational definition. To facilitate classification, occupations are combined to form 22 major groups, 95 minor groups, and 452 occupation groups. Each occupation group includes detailed occupations requiring similar job duties, skills, education, or experience.

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