

LITERACY AND INCOME/EMPLOYMENT

One quarter of high school drop outs report having received public assistance compared to 10 percent of high school graduates.

SOURCE: Cain, Alice “*Is the GED valuable to Those Who Pass It?*”, Focus on Policy, Volume 1, Issue 1. (2003)

High school drop outs with jobs earn an average salary of \$19,000 - \$7,000 less than those who successfully completed high school.

Adults without a high school diploma earn about half of what those with an associate’s degree earn and 39% of what those with a bachelor’s degree earn.

SOURCE: *Investing Wisely in Adult Learning is Key to State Prosperity*, Southern Regional Education Board, 2005.

Unemployment is four times higher – 8% - among those without a high school diploma, compared with 2% for those with a bachelor’s degree.

In 2000, the median earnings for black females with a high school diploma and no college, was \$20,000 less than the median earnings for black females with a bachelor’s degree or higher.

A male with a high school diploma will earn nearly \$333,000 more than a high school dropout, and a male with some college will earn \$538,000 more than a high school dropout. A male with a college degree will earn almost \$1 million (\$ 945,670) more than a high school dropout.

In today’s workplace, only 40% of adults who dropped out of high school are employed, compared to 60% of adults who completed high school and 80% for those with a bachelor’s degree.

SOURCE: Alliance for Excellent Education, *Impact of Education on: Personal Income & Employment*, 2003. and; *Investing Wisely in Adult Learning is Key to State Prosperity*, Southern Regional Education Board, 2005.

High school graduation especially benefits African-American workers: Those with a diploma earn an average of 47% more annually than their counterparts who did not graduate.

SOURCE: *Investing Wisely in Adult Learning is Key to State Prosperity*, Southern Regional Education Board, 2005.

Six of the 10 fastest growing occupations listed by the U.S. Department of labor in its employment projections through 2012 require an associate’s or bachelor’s degree.

SOURCE: U. S. Department of labor Statistic, 2002-2012 Employment projections, Feb 2004.

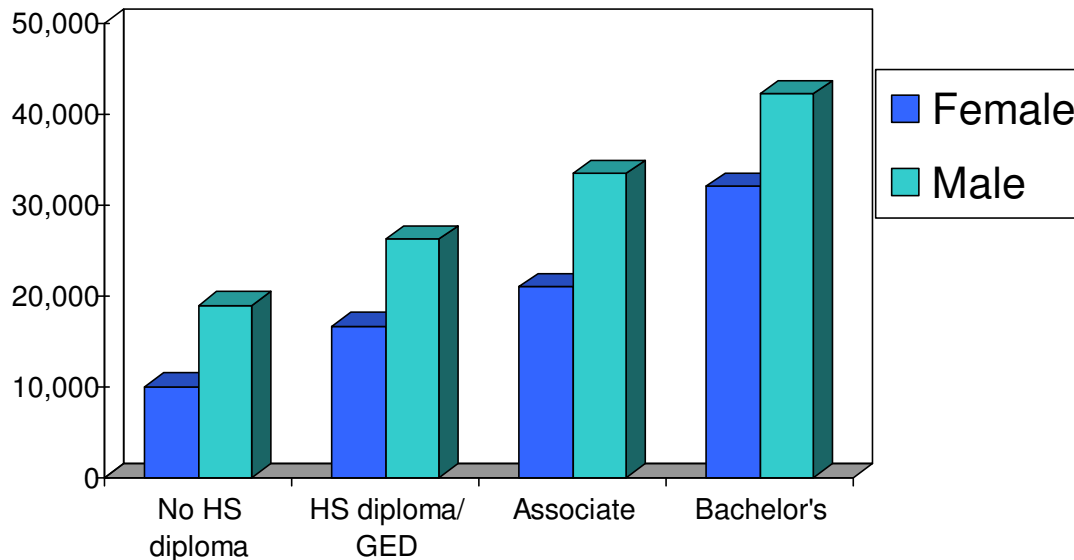
Immigrants who entered the United States and joined the workforce between 1990-2000 were younger and less educated than immigrants during all preceding decades between 1890 and 1990; one third lacked the equivalent of a US high school diploma.

SOURCE: Sum, Andrew and others, *Immigrant Workers and the Great American Job Machine, The Contributions of new Foreign Immigration to National or Regional Labor Force Growth in the 1990s*, Center for Labor Market Studies, Northeastern University, 2002.

An adult without a high school diploma earns 42% less than an adult with a high school diploma.

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, *Office of Vocational and Adult Education. Presentation: Dr. Susan Sclafani, April 2005*

HIGH LEARNING = HIGH EARNING



Source: US Department of Education, Office of Vocational and Adult Education

LABOR FORCE: ESTIMATES BY EMPLOYMENT STATUS IN THE UNITED STATES AND IN THE STATE AND COUNTIES OF FLORIDA, 2004 AND 2005

County	2004				2005			
	Labor force	Employment	Unemployment Number	Unemployment Rate	Labor force	Employment	Unemployment Number	Unemployment Rate
United States	147,401	139,252	8,149	5.5	149,320	141,730	7,591	5.1
Florida	8,407,000	8,016,000	391,000	4.7	8,654,000	8,329,000	325,000	3.8
Alachua	119,875	115,784	4,091	3.4	119,796	116,243	3,553	3.0
Baker	10,593	10,143	450	4.2	10,861	10,477	384	3.5
Bay	78,704	75,157	3,547	4.5	80,072	77,110	2,962	3.7
Bradford	11,609	11,108	501	4.3	11,418	10,999	419	3.7
Brevard	248,602	237,673	10,929	4.4	252,338	243,228	9,110	3.6
Broward	924,017	881,307	42,710	4.6	953,803	918,740	35,063	3.7
Calhoun	5,301	5,023	278	5.2	5,023	4,804	219	4.4
Charlotte	60,195	57,221	2,974	4.9	62,279	59,908	2,371	3.8
Citrus	47,884	45,470	2,414	5.0	49,093	47,136	1,957	4.0
Clay	81,307	77,948	3,359	4.1	83,359	80,516	2,843	3.4
Collier	138,036	132,610	5,426	3.9	144,344	139,794	4,550	3.2
Columbia	27,211	26,022	1,189	4.4	27,915	26,932	983	3.5
DeSoto	13,236	12,454	782	5.9	12,543	11,921	622	5.0

Dixie	5,061	4,780	281	5.6	5,281	5,057	224	4.2
Duval	411,209	389,991	21,218	5.2	420,306	402,841	17,465	4.2
Escambia	132,163	125,644	6,519	4.9	133,627	128,164	5,463	4.1
Flagler	27,092	25,893	1,199	4.4	29,649	28,607	1,042	3.5
Franklin	5,086	4,884	202	4.0	5,048	4,846	202	4.0
Gadsden	19,982	18,992	990	5.0	20,139	19,300	839	4.2
Gilchrist	7,131	6,864	267	3.7	7,113	6,891	222	3.1
Glades	4,488	4,238	250	5.6	4,009	3,795	214	5.3
Gulf	5,986	5,719	267	4.5	6,160	5,920	240	3.9
Hamilton	4,573	4,319	254	5.6	4,516	4,297	219	4.8
Hardee	10,855	10,146	709	6.5	10,966	10,388	578	5.3
Hendry	16,985	15,543	1,442	8.5	16,707	15,418	1,289	7.7
Hernando	55,450	52,437	3,013	5.4	56,887	54,313	2,574	4.5
Highlands	37,316	35,466	1,850	5.0	38,985	37,435	1,550	4.0
Hillsborough	567,590	543,138	24,452	4.3	583,224	562,578	20,646	3.5
Holmes	7,982	7,598	384	4.8	8,163	7,840	323	4.0
Indian River	55,797	52,163	3,634	6.5	57,294	54,661	2,633	4.6
Jackson	20,900	19,974	926	4.4	20,652	19,839	813	3.9
Jefferson	6,603	6,354	249	3.8	6,676	6,457	219	3.3
Lafayette	2,789	2,678	111	4.0	2,749	2,651	98	3.6
Lake	109,686	104,994	4,692	4.3	114,747	110,659	4,088	3.6
Lee	250,540	241,129	9,411	3.8	266,861	259,053	7,808	2.9
Leon	133,797	128,714	5,083	3.8	135,205	130,805	4,400	3.3
Levy	15,541	14,809	732	4.7	16,248	15,628	620	3.8
Liberty	3,131	3,001	130	4.2	3,102	2,995	107	3.4
Madison	7,091	6,684	407	5.7	7,093	6,723	370	5.2
Manatee	141,993	136,457	5,536	3.9	148,553	144,005	4,548	3.1
Marion	118,542	113,262	5,280	4.5	123,214	118,762	4,452	3.6
Martin	62,006	59,018	2,988	4.8	64,611	62,188	2,423	3.8
Miami-Dade	1,097,454	1,038,442	59,012	5.4	1,113,560	1,065,417	48,143	4.3
Monroe	45,622	44,123	1,499	3.3	44,699	43,372	1,327	3.0
Nassau	31,205	29,920	1,285	4.1	31,989	30,906	1,083	3.4
Okaloosa	93,011	89,838	3,173	3.4	96,258	93,430	2,828	2.9
Okeechobee	15,772	14,767	1,005	6.4	16,409	15,587	822	5.0
Orange	530,250	506,205	24,045	4.5	553,362	533,519	19,843	3.6
Osceola	108,935	104,023	4,912	4.5	113,721	109,636	4,085	3.6
Palm Beach	595,705	565,723	29,982	5.0	613,839	588,998	24,841	4.0
Pasco	172,570	164,270	8,300	4.8	177,303	170,149	7,154	4.0
Pinellas	464,801	443,601	21,200	4.6	477,560	459,478	18,082	3.8
Polk	248,457	236,223	12,234	4.9	257,973	247,752	10,221	4.0
Putnam	30,579	28,912	1,667	5.5	30,463	29,090	1,373	4.5
St. Johns	76,766	74,099	2,667	3.5	78,852	76,541	2,311	2.9
St. Lucie	103,520	97,300	6,220	6.0	107,489	102,527	4,962	4.6
Santa Rosa	62,679	60,079	2,600	4.1	63,548	61,284	2,264	3.6
Sarasota	166,944	160,570	6,374	3.8	174,728	169,451	5,277	3.0
Seminole	218,894	209,497	9,397	4.3	228,422	220,801	7,621	3.3
Sumter	20,858	19,902	956	4.6	24,613	23,788	825	3.4
Suwannee	15,771	15,078	693	4.4	15,756	15,156	600	3.8
Taylor	8,282	7,798	484	5.8	8,576	8,190	386	4.5

Union	4,896	4,657	239	4.9	4,947	4,743	204	4.1
Volusia	233,452	223,029	10,423	4.5	240,086	231,483	8,603	3.6
Wakulla	13,414	12,966	448	3.3	13,547	13,177	370	2.7
Walton	24,255	23,440	815	3.4	26,477	25,756	721	2.7
Washington	9,043	8,610	433	4.8	8,870	8,509	361	4.1

1/ United States numbers are rounded to thousands. Data are from U.S., Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Note: Data are for civilian labor force, benchmark 2005. Data are for federal fund allocations. Caution is urged when using these data for short-term economic analysis. Detail may not add to totals because of rounding.

Source: State of Florida, Agency for Workforce Innovation, Bureau of Labor Market Information, *Labor Force Summary: 2005 Annual Averages*, and previous editions, Internet site <<http://www.labormarketinfo.com/>> (accessed 20, April 2006).

Source: University of Florida Statistical Abstract

INCOME AND POVERTY ESTIMATES: MEDIAN HOUSEHOLD INCOME POOR PERSONS, AND CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY IN THE STATE AND COUNTIES OF FLORIDA, 2003

County	Median household income (dollars)	Percentage change from 2000-2003 % Change	Poor persons		Persons under age 18 in poverty	
			Total	Percentage	Total	Percentage
Florida	38,985	0.5	2,215,209	13.0	769,078	19.3
Alachua	33,056	1.0	33,990	16.1	8,729	19.8
Baker	39,250	0.5	2,966	13.7	1,189	18.9
Bay	37,038	4.2	19,743	12.8	7,437	20.0
Bradford	32,531	-1.1	3,693	16.2	1,253	21.9
Brevard	42,157	3.6	51,344	10.1	15,969	14.7
Broward	42,576	-0.3	217,441	12.5	74,970	17.4
Calhoun	26,532	-1.8	2,074	18.1	704	24.0
Charlotte	36,479	1.1	14,394	9.3	3,919	15.9
Citrus	31,895	1.7	15,944	12.4	4,734	21.9
Clay	51,325	4.8	12,035	7.4	4,377	10.4
Collier	48,184	0.8	28,167	9.6	9,196	15.0
Columbia	30,749	-1.7	9,155	15.6	3,535	23.5
DeSoto	27,699	-7.5	5,985	18.3	2,108	27.8
Dixie	25,810	-2.1	2,435	18.6	836	27.8
Duval	40,365	-2.3	103,147	12.8	39,569	18.1
Escambia	35,281	2.7	43,156	15.7	15,957	22.9
Flagler	42,698	5.6	5,638	8.2	1,780	14.5
Franklin	28,814	3.8	1,398	14.6	453	22.4
Gadsden	29,753	-2.9	7,735	18.0	3,094	25.9
Gilchrist	30,832	0.4	2,080	14.2	767	21.0
Glades	31,482	3.6	1,348	13.1	427	19.1
Gulf	31,482	4.9	1,879	15.4	612	22.2

Hamilton	25,109	-3.5	2,420	21.8	848	27.6
Hardee	27,762	-6.5	5,369	20.6	2,166	28.7
Hendry	31,204	-5.5	6,698	18.0	2,854	25.3
Hernando	33,848	2.7	17,928	12.1	5,854	20.5
Highlands	29,382	-1.6	12,791	13.9	4,262	24.0
Hillsborough	43,097	5.1	141,194	13.0	54,980	19.6
Holmes	27,713	-0.4	3,202	18.6	1,149	27.7
Indian River	40,291	0.6	12,267	10.0	3,831	16.4
Jackson	29,900	0.7	6,694	16.2	2,263	22.3
Jefferson	32,668	-0.8	2,037	16.2	689	23.6
Lafayette	27,067	-9.8	1,125	18.9	385	24.9
Lake	39,013	4.4	26,314	10.2	8,960	17.2
Lee	41,227	5.0	51,664	10.2	16,539	15.8
Leon	37,956	-2.2	32,513	14.0	8,694	16.6
Levy	27,830	0.4	5,971	16.3	2,202	25.9
Liberty	29,713	1.5	1,016	17.2	339	22.6
Madison	26,512	-1.8	3,148	18.3	1,111	25.3
Manatee	39,683	2.5	31,366	10.8	10,475	16.7
Marion	33,177	2.0	39,769	14.0	14,147	23.4
Martin	43,036	-1.4	12,440	9.2	3,613	14.1
Miami-Dade	33,035	-0.6	438,773	18.9	155,705	26.6
Monroe	41,213	-2.9	7,896	10.2	2,100	15.7
Nassau	48,519	3.6	5,552	8.9	1,937	13.2
Okaloosa	43,139	3.4	17,446	9.9	6,808	15.3
Okeechobee	29,740	-0.5	5,479	15.0	2,082	22.0
Orange	40,604	-4.8	128,027	13.2	48,303	18.9
Osceola	38,954	1.7	28,393	13.1	11,964	20.7
Palm Beach	42,979	2.3	133,374	10.9	43,010	15.9
Pasco	35,349	3.3	47,815	11.9	15,671	18.6
Pinellas	36,209	-2.6	109,904	12.1	33,604	18.3
Polk	35,069	-1.0	71,543	14.0	27,782	21.7
Putnam	28,613	2.8	13,353	18.7	5,134	28.9
St. Johns	52,677	0.8	12,229	8.1	3,600	10.9
St. Lucie	37,388	3.4	28,896	12.9	10,340	20.7
Santa Rosa	44,579	4.6	13,599	10.0	5,034	15.0
Sarasota	42,306	0.1	29,296	8.4	7,868	13.2
Seminole	49,199	-1.8	35,196	9.1	12,076	12.6
Sumter	34,050	7.3	6,800	13.1	2,293	23.4
Suwannee	29,486	-1.9	6,066	16.4	2,107	24.4
Taylor	30,792	0.3	2,989	16.7	1,087	24.0
Union	32,757	-3.0	1,761	18.0	573	20.2
Volusia	36,038	2.2	56,626	12.2	18,518	19.3
Wakulla	37,995	0.6	2,801	11.0	981	15.9
Walton	34,849	7.7	6,240	13.4	2,295	22.3
Washington	28,518	0.1	3,478	17.1	1,234	25.9

Source: U.S., Department of Commerce, Census Bureau, Internet site <<http://www.census.gov/>>(accessed 19, April 2006).

