

2.1 Labor Force and Employment

Labor force and employment growth in both the City of Tallahassee and Leon County was strong in 2006. The rate of annual change has been slightly higher in the past two years for residents of the City of Tallahassee in comparison with those people residing in the Unincorporated parts of Leon County. Local Area Unemployment Statistics are a count of people employed by place of residence (not place of employment).

Figure 2-1
Labor Force (2000-2006)

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Leon County	134,833	133,807	132,951	134,104	133,797	135,205	139,341
% Change From Previous		-0.8%	-0.6%	0.9%	-0.2%	1.1%	3.1%
City of Tallahassee	83,161	82,608	82,225	82,888	82,645	85,078	88,094
% Change From Previous		-0.7%	-0.5%	0.8%	-0.3%	2.9%	3.5%
Unincorporated Leon County	51,672	51,199	50,726	51,216	51,152	50,127	51,247
% Change From Previous		-0.9%	-0.9%	1.0%	-0.1%	-2.0%	2.2%

Source: Florida Agency for Workforce Innovation, Labor Market Statistics, Local Area Unemployment Statistics

Figure 2-2
Employment (2000-2006)

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Leon County	130,726	129,075	127,060	128,569	128,714	130,805	135,536
% Change From Previous		-1.3%	-1.6%	1.2%	0.1%	1.6%	3.6%
City of Tallahassee	80,144	79,131	77,896	78,821	78,910	82,264	85,617
% Change From Previous		-1.3%	-1.6%	1.2%	0.1%	4.3%	4.1%
Unincorporated Leon County	50,582	49,944	49,164	49,748	49,804	48,541	49,919
% Change From Previous		-1.3%	-1.6%	1.2%	0.1%	-2.5%	2.8%

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