

THREE UNEMPLOYED FOR EVERY VACANCY IN TAMPA BAY

There are 3.3 unemployed people for every online advertised job vacancy in Tampa Bay, Florida, according to a new study from The Conference Board and Wanted Technologies. That is slightly below numbers for Miami but ahead of Florida, which had 4.2 unemployed people for every help wanted ad. Nationally, online advertised job vacancies fell 506,000 to 3.36 million in January. Combined with the 507,000 drop in December, ads have fallen by more than 1 million, or 23% in the last two months. Florida lost 25,200 job ads in January, behind only Texas in the south. The industries hardest hit in terms of job vacancies losses are transportation and material moving, office and administrative support, legal, business and finance, and construction. Health care support also declined but at a much slower pace. The Conference Board Help-Wanted Online Data Series measures the number of new, first-time online jobs and jobs reposted from the previous month on more than 1,200 Internet job boards and smaller job boards that serve niche markets and smaller geographic areas.

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