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# What is Lightcast Data?

Lightcast data is a hybrid dataset derived from official government sources such as the US Census Bureau, Bureau of Economic Analysis, and Bureau of Labor Statistics. Leveraging the unique strengths of each source, our data modeling team creates an authoritative dataset that captures more than 99% of all workers in the United States. This core offering is then enriched with data from online social profiles, resumés, and job postings to give you a complete view of the workforce.

Lightcast data is frequently cited in major publications such as *The Atlantic*, *Forbes*, *Harvard Business Review*, *The New York Times*, *The Wall Street Journal*, and *USA Today*.



**Forbes** 

Harvard Business Review The New York Times

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# **Report Parameters**

# 2 Occupations

49-2022 Telecommunications Equipment Installers and Repairers, Except Line Installers

49-9052 Telecommunications Line Installers and Repairers

### 1 State

12 Florida

### Class of Worker

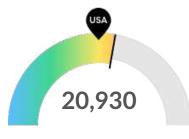
QCEW Employees, Non-QCEW Employees, and Self-Employed

The information in this report pertains to the chosen occupations and geographical area.



# **Executive Summary**

## Average Job Posting Demand Over a Deep Supply of Regional Jobs



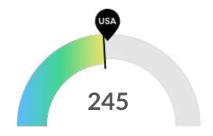
Jobs (2024)

Florida is a hotspot for this kind of job. The national average for an area this size is 17,896\* employees, while there are 20,930 here.



#### Compensation

Earnings are low in Florida. The national median salary for your occupations is \$62,068, compared to \$54,930 here.



#### **Job Posting Demand**

Job posting activity is about average in Florida. The national average for an area this size is 258\* job postings/mo, while there are 245 here.

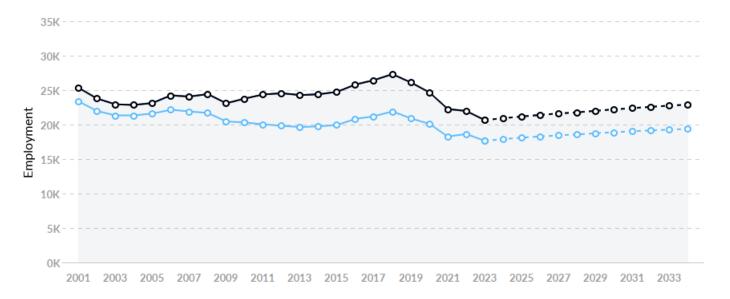
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# **Jobs**

## Regional Employment Is Higher Than the National Average

An average area of this size typically has 17,896\* jobs, while there are 20,930 here. This higher than average supply of jobs may make it easier for workers in this field to find employment in your area.

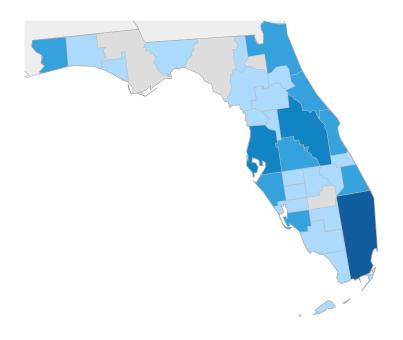


Region	2024 Jobs	2028 Jobs	Change	% Change
Florida	20,930	21,783	853	4.1%
<ul> <li>National Average</li> </ul>	17,896	18,576	680	3.8%
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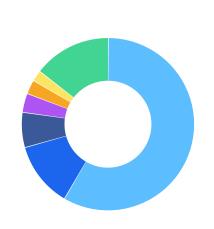
# Regional Breakdown



MSA	2024 Jobs
Miami-Fort Lauderdale-Pompano Beach, FL	6,328
Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater, FL	3,400
Orlando-Kissimmee-Sanford, FL	2,483
Jacksonville, FL	1,033
Palm Bay-Melbourne-Titusville, FL	623



# Most Jobs are Found in the Wired and Wireless Telecommunications (except **Satellite) Industry Sector**



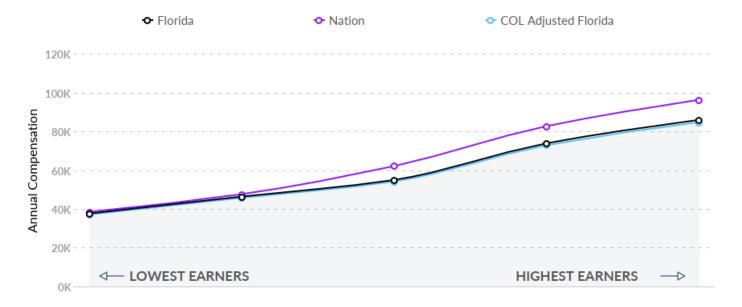
Industry	% of Occupation in Industry (2024)
<ul> <li>Wired and Wireless Telecommunications (except Satellite)</li> </ul>	58.3%
Building Equipment Contractors	12.2%
Utility System Construction	6.6%
All Other Telecommunications	3.6%
Electronic and Precision Equipment Repair and Maintenance	2.7%
Computer Systems Design and Related Services	2.1%
Other	14.6%



# Compensation

## Regional Compensation Is 12% Lower Than National Compensation

For your occupations, the 2023 median wage in Florida is \$54,930, while the national median wage is \$62,068.





# Job Posting Activity



#### 1,957 Unique Job Postings

The number of unique postings for this job from Jan 2024 to Aug 2024.



#### **514 Employers Competing**

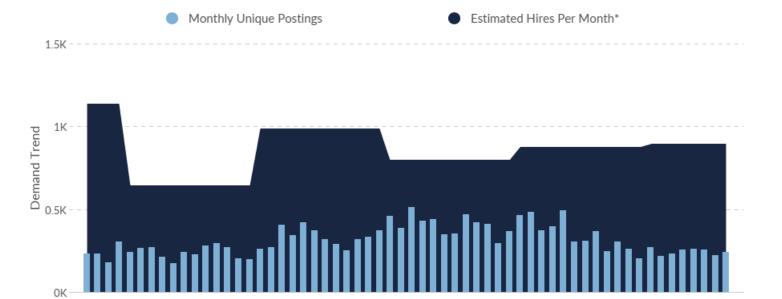
All employers in the region who posted for this job from Jan 2024 to Aug 2024.



#### 24 Day Median Duration

Posting duration is 1 day shorter than what's typical in the region.

Jan 2024



Occupation	Avg Monthly Postings (Jan 2024 - Aug 2024)	Avg Monthly Hires (Jan 2024 - Aug 2024)
Telecommunications Line Installers and Repairers	153	355
Telecommunications Equipment Installers and Repairers, Except Line Installers	92	542

Jan 2022

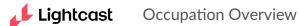
Jan 2023

Jan 2020

Jan 2021

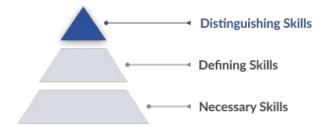
<sup>\*</sup>A hire is reported by the Quarterly Workforce Indicators when an individual's Social Security Number appears on a company's payroll and was not there the quarter before. Lightcast hires are calculated using a combination of Lightcast jobs data, information on separation rates from the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS), and industry-based hires data from the Census Bureau.

		Unique Postings
85	Cable Technicians	253
51	Field Technicians	90
44	Fiber Splicers	88
43	Cable Technicians/Installers	82
35	Cable Installers	72
31	Field Service Technicians	63
20	Structured Cabling Technicians	62
20	Telecommunications Technicians	58
20	Low Voltage Cable Technicians	55
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	51	Field Technicians  Fiber Splicers  Cable Technicians/Installers  Cable Installers  Field Service Technicians  Structured Cabling Technicians  Telecommunications Technicians  Low Voltage Cable Technicians



## Top Distinguishing Skills by Demand

An occupation's Distinguishing Skills are the advanced skills that are called for occasionally. An employee with these skills is likely more specialized and able to differentiate themselves from others in the same role.

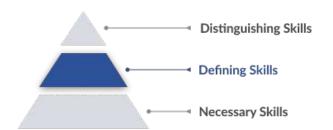


Skill	Salary Boosting	Job Postings Requesting	Projected Growth	Growth Relative to Market
Optical Time-Domain Reflectometer	8	123	+22.6%	Rapidly Growing
Building Industry Consulting Service International (BICSI) Standards	8	122	+21.0%	Rapidly Growing
Patch Panels	8	102	+23.6%	Rapidly Growing
Cable Television	8	96	+12.4%	Growing
Punching (Cabling)	8	70	+4.0%	Lagging
Outside Plant	8	65	+9.3%	Growing



## Top Defining Skills by Demand

An occupation's Defining Skills represent the day-to-day tasks and responsibilities of the job. An employee needs these skills to qualify for and perform successfully in this occupation.

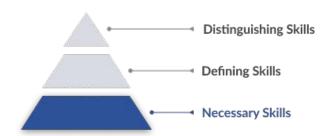


Skill	Salary Boosting	Job Postings Requesting	Projected Growth	Growth Relative to Market
Valid Driver's License	8	762	+7.5%	Stable
Telecommunications	8	517	+23.4%	Rapidly Growing
Low Voltage	8	405	+13.2%	Growing
Hand Tools	8	350	+6.2%	Stable
Fiber Optics	8	325	+7.6%	Stable
Category 5 Cabling	8	307	+12.7%	Growing
Fiber Optic Cable	8	292	+29.2%	Rapidly Growing
Splicing	8	266	+15.3%	Growing
Category 6 Cabling	8	201	+8.8%	Growing
Broadband	8	157	+7.8%	Stable



## Top Necessary Skills by Demand

An occupation's Necessary Skills are the specialized skills required for that job and relevant across other similar jobs. An employee needs these skills as building blocks to perform the more complex Defining Skills.

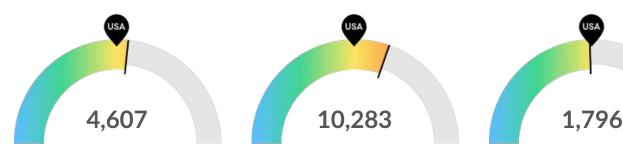


Skill	Salary Boosting	Job Postings Requesting	Projected Growth	Growth Relative to Market
Hand Tools	8	350	+6.2%	Stable
Electrical Wiring	*	240	+20.1%	Rapidly Growing
Power Tool Operation	8	220	+7.4%	Stable
Access Controls	8	176	+7.4%	Stable
Test Equipment	8	150	+18.1%	Growing
Project Management	8	131	+19.8%	Rapidly Growing
Network Switches	8	130	+14.5%	Growing
Blueprinting	8	103	+21.4%	Rapidly Growing
Electronics	8	70	+16.9%	Growing
Upselling	8	42	+14.1%	Growing



# **Demographics**

### Retirement Risk Is About Average, While Overall Diversity Is High



#### **Retiring Soon**

Retirement risk is about average in Florida. The national average for an area this size is 4,193\* employees 55 or older, while there are 4,607 here.

### **Racial Diversity**

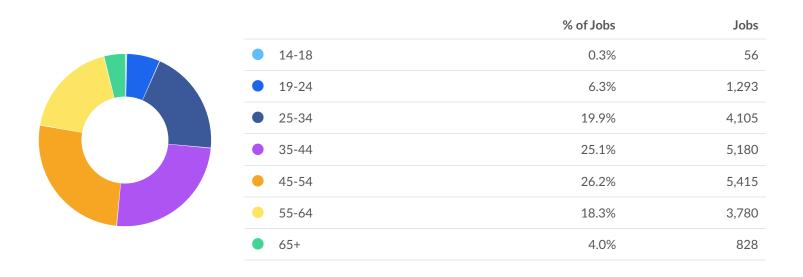
Racial diversity is high in Florida. The national average for an area this size is 7,626\* racially diverse employees, while there are 10,283 here.

#### **Gender Diversity**

Gender diversity is about average in Florida. The national average for an area this size is 1,842\* female employees, while there are 1,796 here.

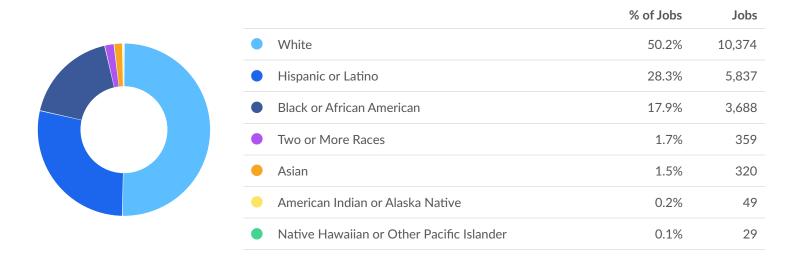
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### Occupation Age Breakdown





## Occupation Race/Ethnicity Breakdown



## **Occupation Gender Breakdown**





# Occupational Programs



#### 9 Programs

Of the programs that can train for this job, 9 have produced completions in the last 5 years.



#### 1,940 Completions (2023)

The completions from all regional institutions for all degree types.



#### 2,464 Openings (2023)

The average number of openings for an occupation in the region is 1,821.

CIP Code	Top Programs	Completions (2023)
11.1001	Network and System Administration/Administrator	1,333
15.1299	Computer Engineering Technologies/Technicians, Other	299
15.1202	Computer/Computer Systems Technology/Technician	182
15.0305	Telecommunications Technology/Technician	89
46.0303	Lineworker	21
15.1201	Computer Engineering Technology/Technician	16

Top Schools	Completions (2023)
Valencia College	414
Full Sail University	299
Miami Dade College	214
Seminole State College of Florida	174
Broward College	106
Florida State College at Jacksonville	89
Hillsborough Community College	56
Palm Beach State College	46
Florida Career College-Lauderdale Lakes	46
Rasmussen University-Florida	39



# Appendix A - Data Sources and Calculations

### **Location Quotient**

Location quotient (LQ) is a way of quantifying how concentrated a particular industry, cluster, occupation, or demographic group is in a region as compared to the nation. It can reveal what makes a particular region unique in comparison to the national average.

### **Occupation Data**

Emsi occupation employment data are based on final Emsi industry data and final Emsi staffing patterns. Wage estimates are based on Occupational Employment Statistics (QCEW and Non-QCEW Employees classes of worker) and the American Community Survey (Self-Employed and Extended Proprietors). Occupational wage estimates are also affected by county-level Emsi earnings by industry.

### Staffing Patterns Data

The staffing pattern data in this report are compiled from several sources using a specialized process. For QCEW and Non-QCEW Employees classes of worker, sources include Occupational Employment Statistics, the National Industry-Occupation Employment Matrix, and the American Community Survey. For the Self-Employed and Extended Proprietors classes of worker, the primary source is the American Community Survey, with a small amount of information from Occupational Employment Statistics.

### **Cost of Living Data**

Lightcast's cost of living data is based on the Cost of Living Index published by the Council for Community and Economic Research (C2ER).

### **Lightcast Job Postings**

Job postings are collected from various sources and processed/enriched to provide information such as standardized company name, occupation, skills, and geography.

### Institution Data

The institution data in this report is taken directly from the national IPEDS database published by the U.S. Department of Education's National Center for Education Statistics.