

INDUSTRY SECTOR BRIEF

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

— INCL. EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES, CYBERSECURITY

SELECTFLORIDA

MORE THAN 45,500 IT BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS CALL FLORIDA HOME.¹

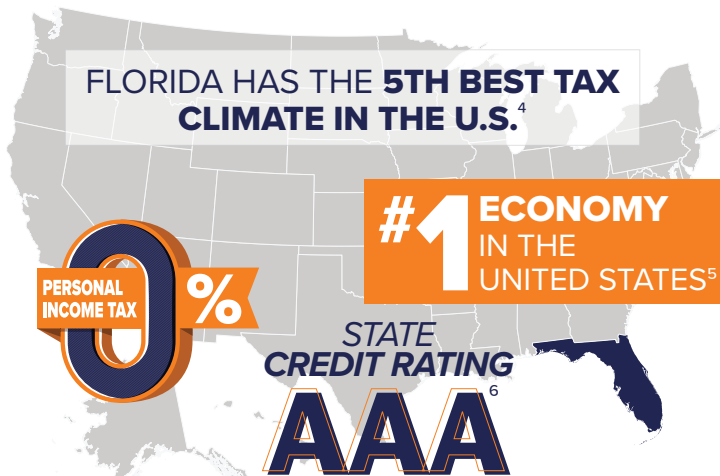
Florida has remained at the forefront of IT innovation since the birth of the IBM PC in Boca Raton and continues to lead in emerging fields shaping the future of computing. Today, Florida boasts the nation's fourth largest tech talent hub¹, with expanding research and advancements in quantum computing, testing and next-generation Information Technologies. Few states can match the depth and breadth of industry expertise available in Florida.

BUSINESS CLIMATE & WORKFORCE

Nothing is more important to a company's success than its workforce. More than 548,000 Floridians work in the state's tech industry,¹ and our universities are among the nation's top producers of STEM graduates. **So while we're helping you succeed with today's talent, we're also preparing tomorrow's.**

WITH A \$1.87 TRILLION GDP IN Q4 OF 2025²

FLORIDA WOULD BE THE 15TH LARGEST GLOBAL ECONOMY IF IT WERE A STANDALONE COUNTRY.³



FLORIDA RANKS #1 STATE FOR NEW BUSINESS FORMATIONS⁷

MARKET AND ACCESS

Success today requires global access. Florida offers one of the most extensive transportation systems in the world, so you can reach your customers and suppliers anywhere fast. Whether you are serving Florida's large market, the U.S., Latin America or the globe—**no other state can expand your reach like Florida.**

FLORIDA'S TARGET INDUSTRY SECTOR EXPERTISE:

4 CROSS-CUTTING:

CORPORATE HEADQUARTERS

LOGISTICS – incl. Shipping, Distribution, Packaging, Processing

MANUFACTURING

RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

8 SECTOR-SPECIFIC:

AEROSPACE AND AVIATION – incl. MRO, Pilot Training, Air Traffic Control, AAM, UAS/UAV

AGTECH – incl. Emerging Technologies, Timber, Aquaculture, etc.

ENERGY SECURITY – incl. Semiconductors, Superconducting, Nuclear, Hydrogen, Energy Storage, etc.

FINANCIAL SERVICES – incl. Insurance, FinTech

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY – incl. Emerging TECHNOLOGIES, CYBERSECURITY

LIFE SCIENCES – incl. Pharmaceuticals, Medical Device Technology, Digital Health

MARITIME – incl. Commercial and Industrial Base Shipbuilding, MRO

MILITARY AND DEFENSE – incl. Dual Use Tech, Law Enforcement Tech, Modeling, Simulation and Training

Source: 1 CompTIA "2026 State of the Tech Workforce Report"; 2 U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis 2025.Q4; 3 U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis and World Bank 2024; 4 Tax Foundation; 5 U.S. News and World Report; 6 S&P Global; 7 U.S. Census Bureau

FLORIDA RANKS #1 IN NET TECH IN THE SOUTHEAST¹

548,000+ Information Technology Professionals¹

#4 Net-Tech Employment in the United States¹

#3 State for net tech job gains¹

13,000+ Information Technology Bachelor's Degrees Awarded in 2024^{8*}

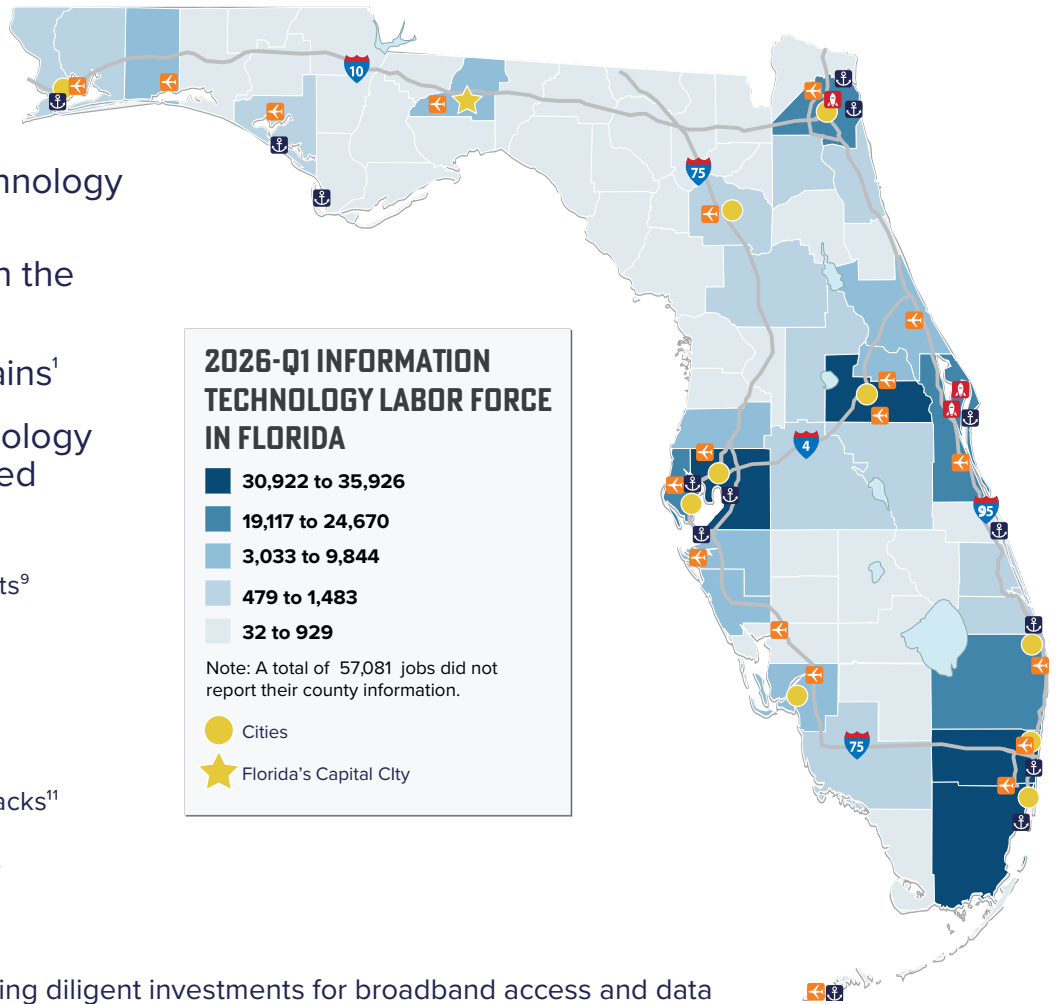
 **21** Commercial Service Airports⁹

 **3** Spaceport Facilities⁹
7 Spaceport Territories¹⁰

 **16** Deepwater Seaports⁹

 **2,700** Miles of Freight Rail Tracks¹¹

 **120,000+** Miles of Roadway⁹



2026-Q1 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY LABOR FORCE IN FLORIDA

- 30,922 to 35,926
- 19,117 to 24,670
- 3,033 to 9,844
- 479 to 1,483
- 32 to 929

Note: A total of 57,081 jobs did not report their county information.

- Cities
- Florida's Capital City

FLORIDA'S CONNECTIVITY

Florida leaves no one offline, offering diligent investments for broadband access and data connectivity infrastructure. With the second-highest number of establishments for computing infrastructure providers, data processors and web hosting,¹² the Sunshine State shines brightly with data connectivity. **Doing business anywhere else would be like using dial-up.**

FLORIDA'S IT ASSETS

NEOCITY
<https://www.neocityfl.com>

NATIONAL HIGH MAGNETIC FIELD LABORATORY
<https://nationalmaglab.org/>

FAQT
<https://faqt-florida.org/>

CYBER FLORIDA
AT THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA
<https://cyberflorida.org/>

FLR
Florida LambdaRail
<https://www.flrnet.org/>

HiPerGator
<https://ai.ufl.edu/research/hipergator/>

Source 1 CompTIA "2026 State of the Tech Workforce Report"; 8 Lightcast 2026.Q1; 9 Florida Department of Transportation; 10 SpaceFlorida; 11 Association of American Railroads; 12 Bureau of Labor Statistics QCEW 2025.Q3
*Bachelor's degrees commonly associated with teh information technology and computer science career and programs (Lightcast Grouping). Map Source: Lightcast 2026.Q1

OUR SERVICES

- Confidential Site Selection and Property Search Assistance
- Demographic and Workforce Information
- State Agency Liaison
- Permitting and Regulatory Assistance
- Incentive Programs
- Export Counseling
- Overseas Trade Shows and Trade Missions
- Certificates of Free Sale
- Certificate of Good Manufacturing Practices

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