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Uniting Florida's Businesses For Good

Why Making Florida More Competitive Matters

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State of the Business Economy in Florida South Florida Manufacturers Association

Mark Wilson | President & CEO | Florida Chamber | February 4, 2021

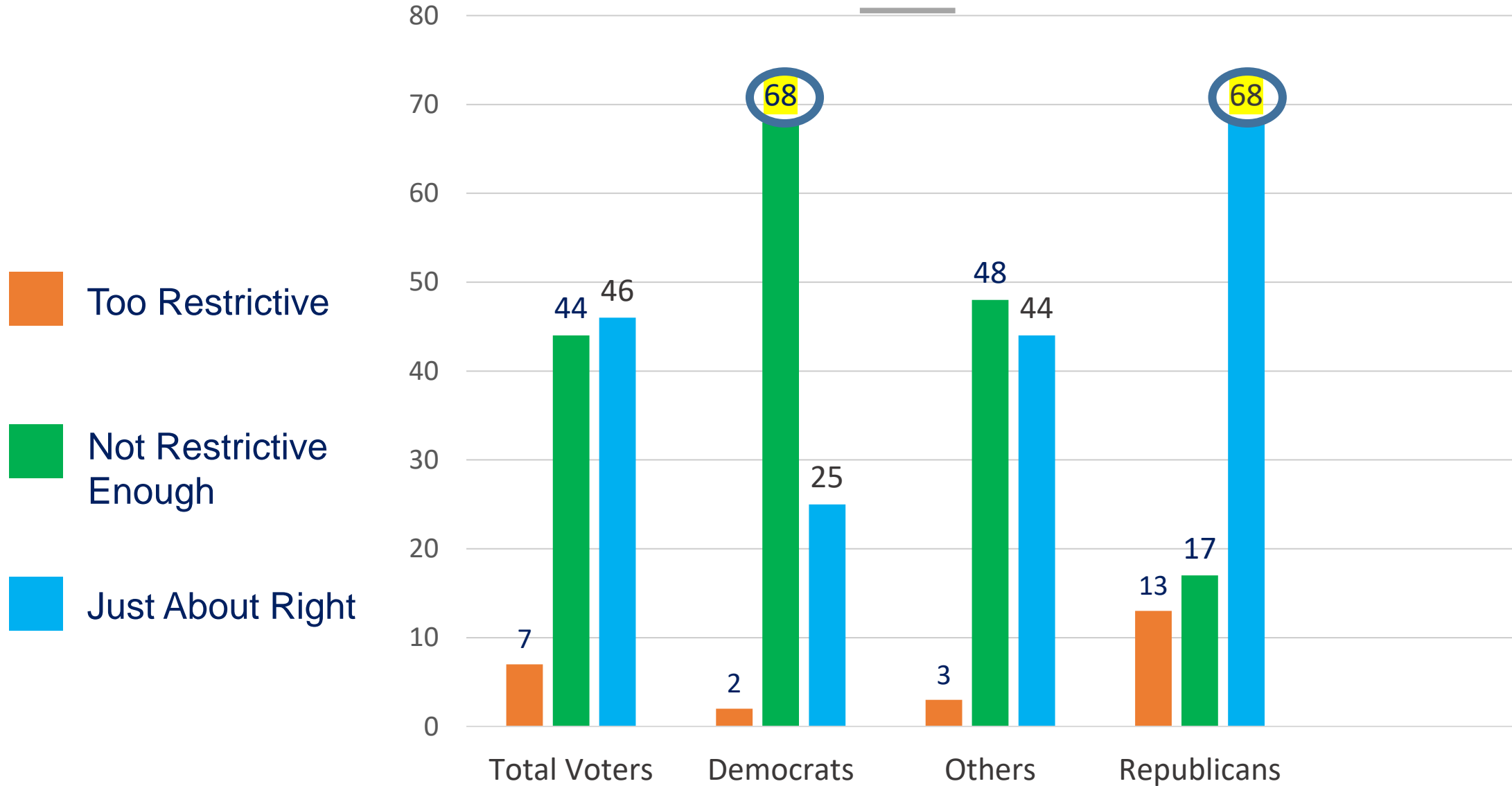
Help Us Build America's Best Workforce

Florida Chamber Foundation 2021 Workforce Survey

*We Need Your Help to Understand Your New and Next
Workforce and Training Needs*

www.flchamber.com/WorkforceSurvey

How Has Florida Responded to COVID-19?



Political Views Impact Policy Decisions

Right Direction vs. Wrong Direction

Statewide	Current 49:42
Jacksonville	45:44
Gainesville	30:60
Tallahassee	38:63
Panama City/Pensacola	61:22
Orlando/Daytona	52:38
Tampa/St. Pete	52:40
Ft. Myers/Naples	61:32
Broward/Miami	44:46
West Palm	40:52

Right Direction vs. Wrong Direction

Statewide	Current 49:42
Men	55:37
Women	43:47
Republicans	72:20
Democrats	27:63
Others	43:47
White	56:36
Black	31:61
Hispanic	44:50

Political Views Impact Policy Decisions

Top Voter Concerns

Statewide	COVID-19	Jobs	Education	Other	Statewide	COVID-19	Jobs	Education	Other
	44	12	5	Healthcare 4% Immigration 3%		44	12	5	Healthcare 4% Immigration 3%
Men	38	13	5	Healthcare 5%	Jacksonville	36	11	5	Healthcare 4%
Women	50	11	5	Healthcare 4%	Gainesville	50	10	10	State Spending 20%
					Tallahassee	38	13	6	Infrastructure 10%
Republicans	34	14	5	Immigration 4%	Panama City/Pensacola	37	5	5	Healthcare 10%
Democrats	55	8	4	Healthcare 6%	Orlando/Daytona	37	17	6	Immigration 5%
NPA/Other	44	18	7	Healthcare 4%	Tampa/St. Pete	48	10	8	Healthcare 3%
					Ft. Myers/Naples	53	11	0	Environment 5%
White	45	11	5	Immigration 4%	Broward/Miami	53	13	3	Healthcare 4%
Black	48	10	5	Healthcare 9%	West Palm	42	8	5	Healthcare 6%
Hispanic	45	16	3	Healthcare 6%					

The Florida 2030 Blueprint: Securing Florida's Future

17th to 10th



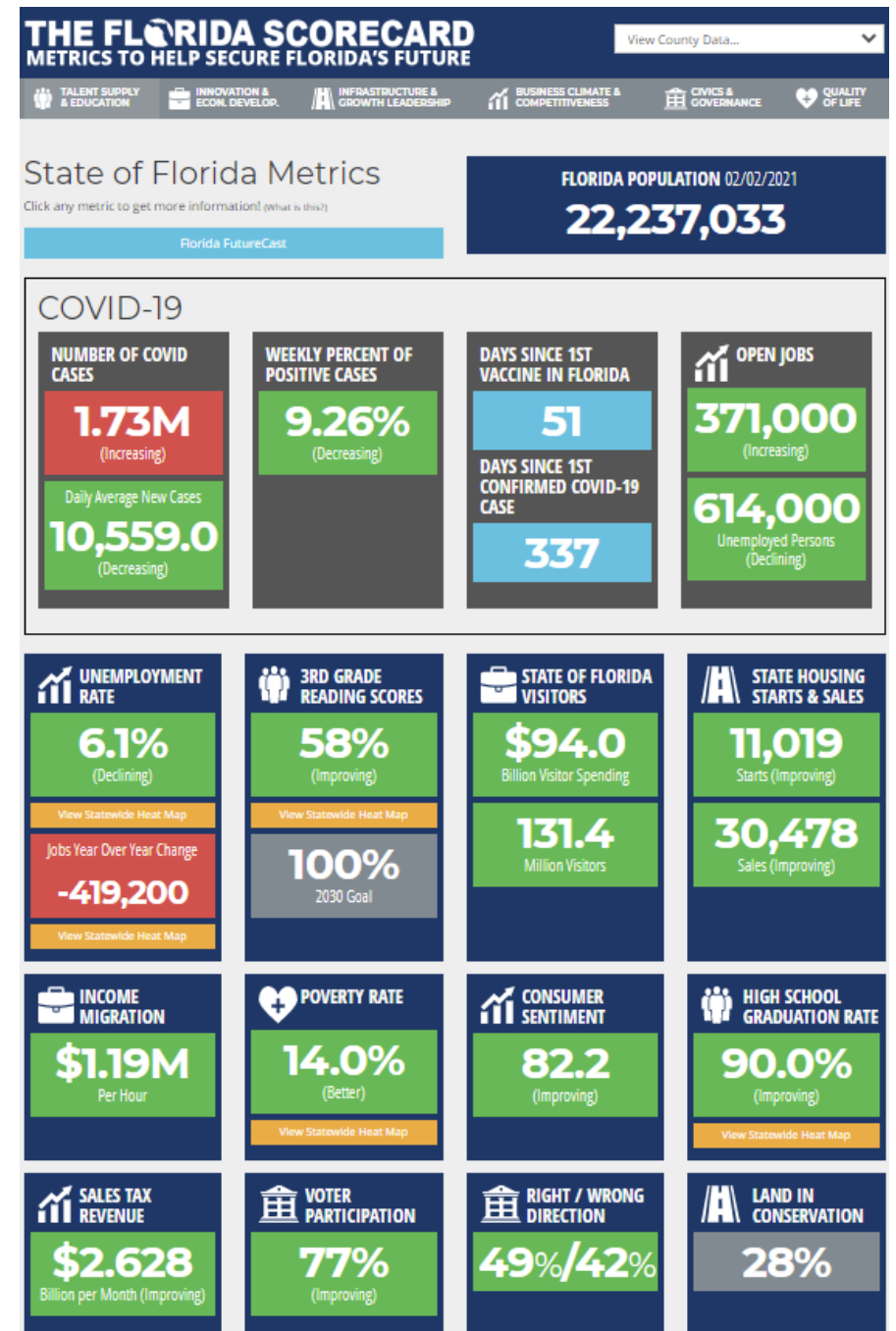
39 Goals



www.Florida2030.org

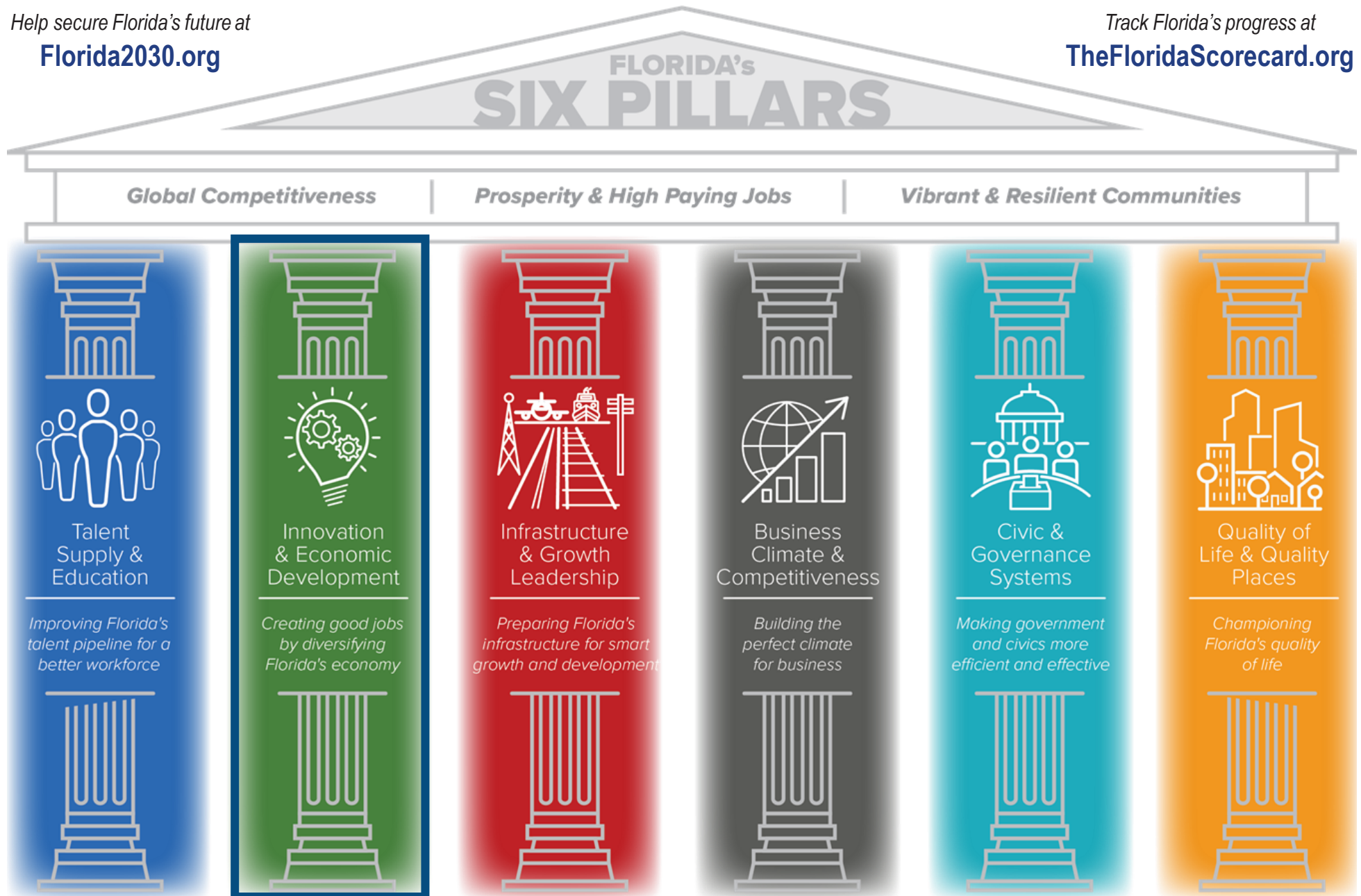
Florida At-A-Glance

- Florida's Economy \$1.1 Trillion GDP (17th)
- 22 Million Residents
 - 3rd / 26M By 2030 / More Than 900/Day
- 131.4 Million Visitors In 2019 (+50M by 2030)
- Florida Created More Than 1 Out of Every 11 New U.S. Jobs since 2015

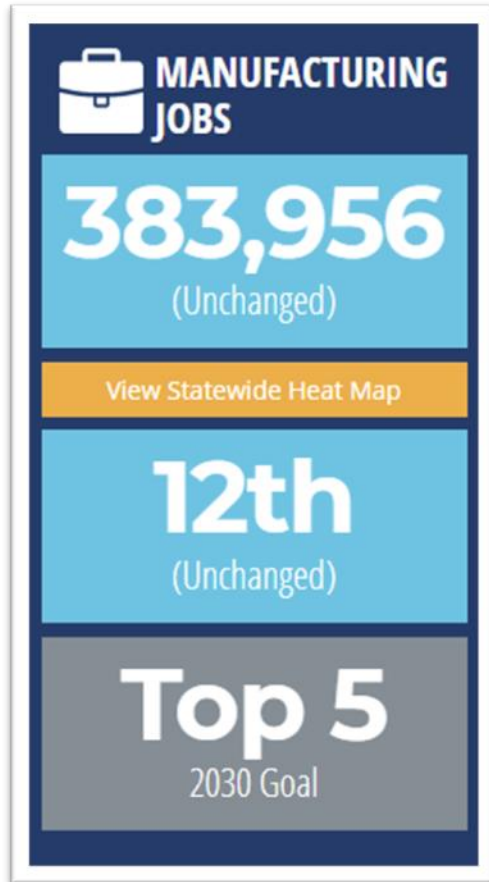


Help secure Florida's future at
Florida2030.org

Track Florida's progress at
TheFloridaScorecard.org



Uniting Business to Grow From 12th to 5th in Manufacturing Jobs



2030 Goal: Top 5 state for manufacturing jobs

2030 Goal Leader:

FloridaMakes

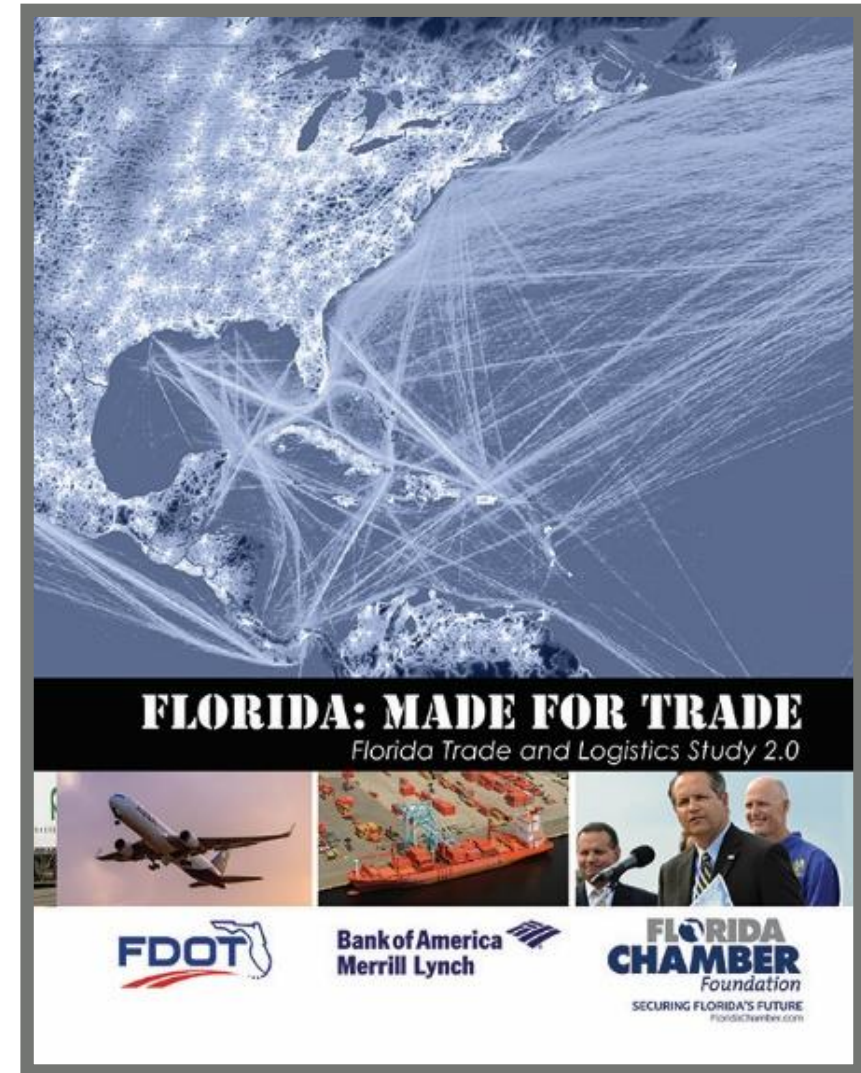


Trade and Logistics Equals More Manufacturing

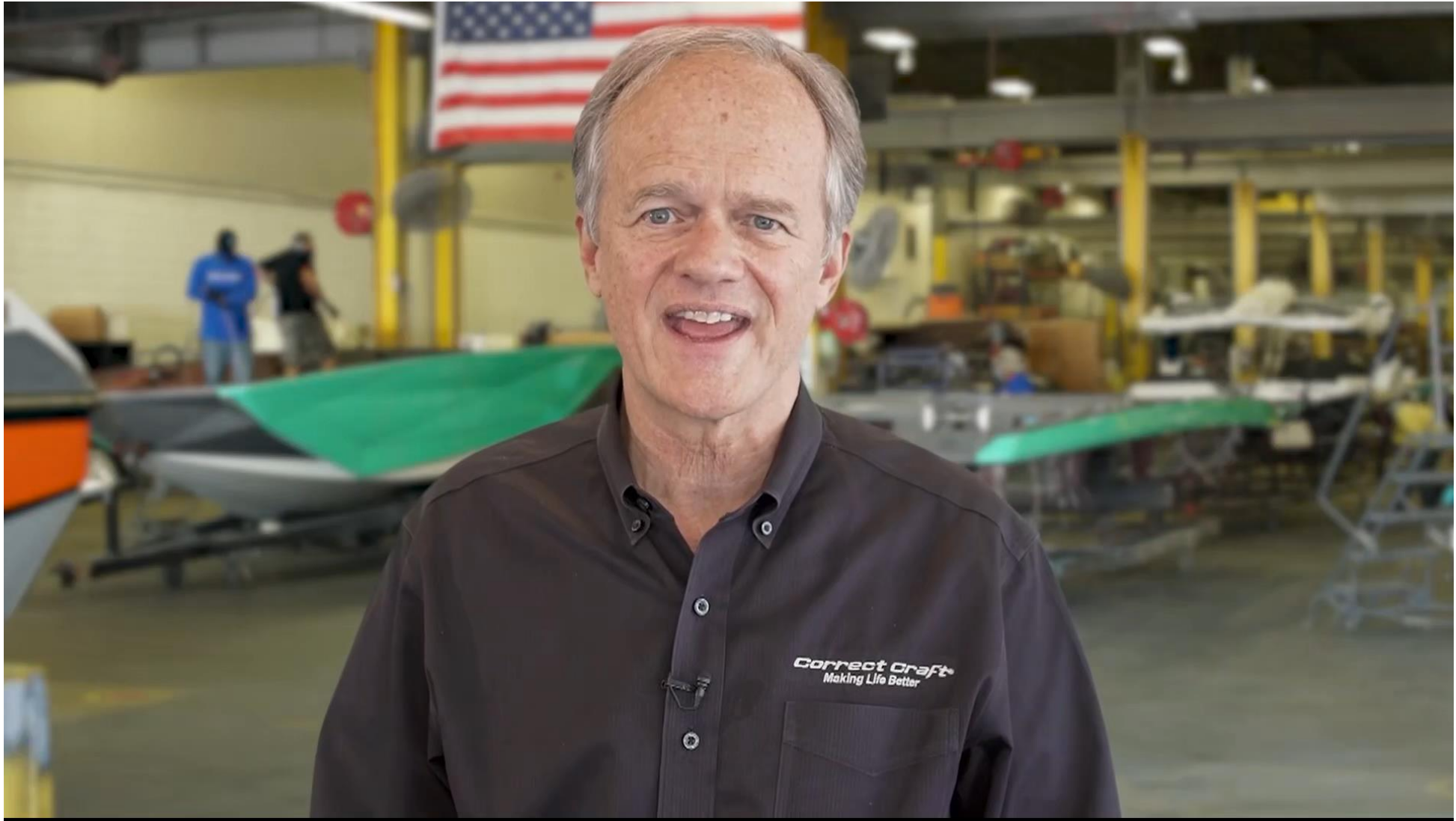
Move more trade through Florida sea and air gateways.

Make, grow and refine more products for export in Florida.

Multiply the impacts of trade in Florida.

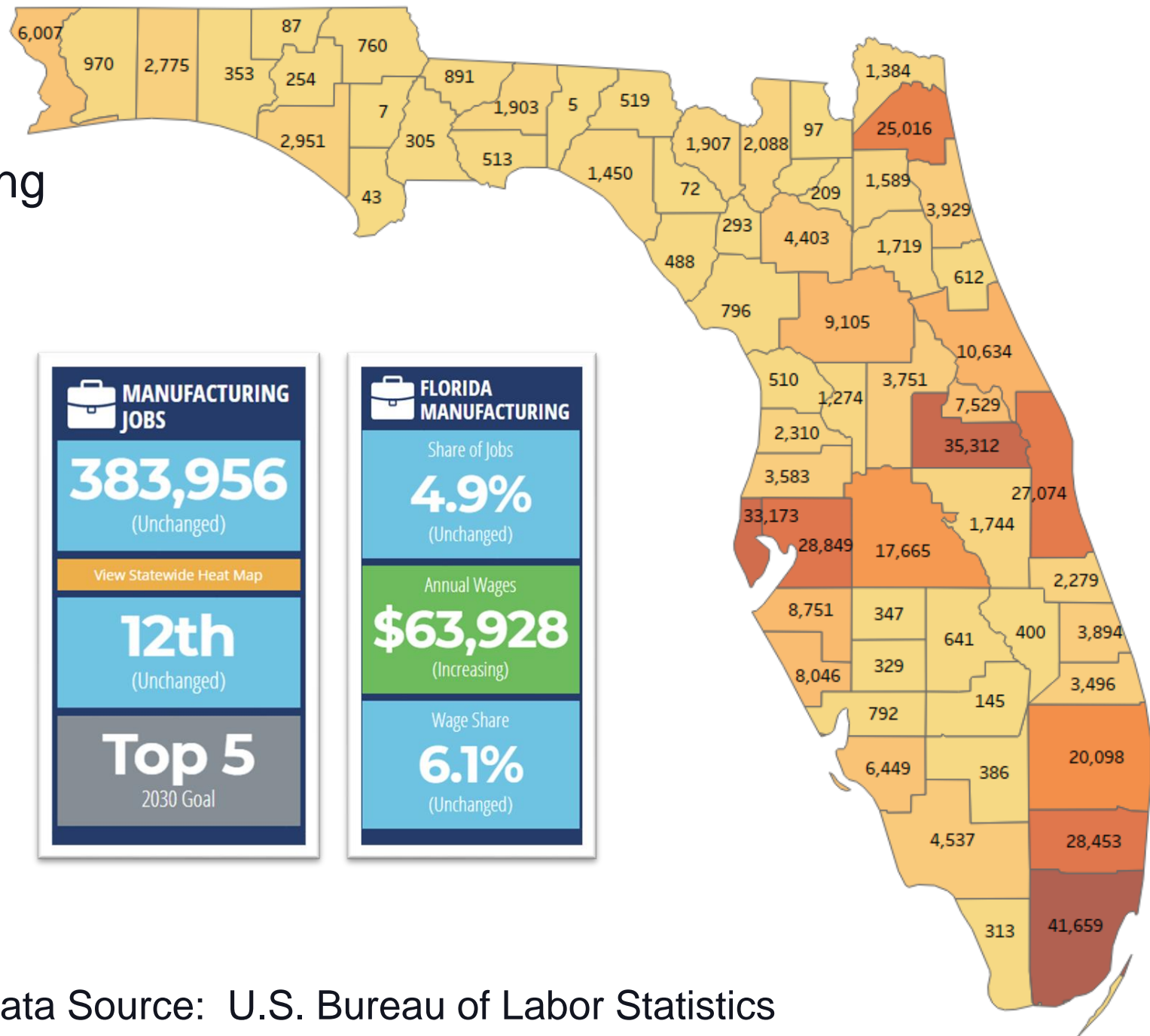
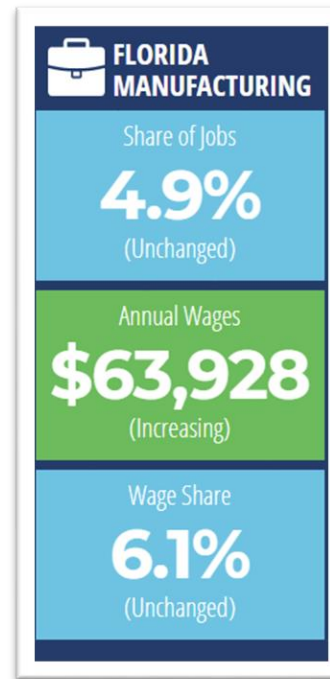
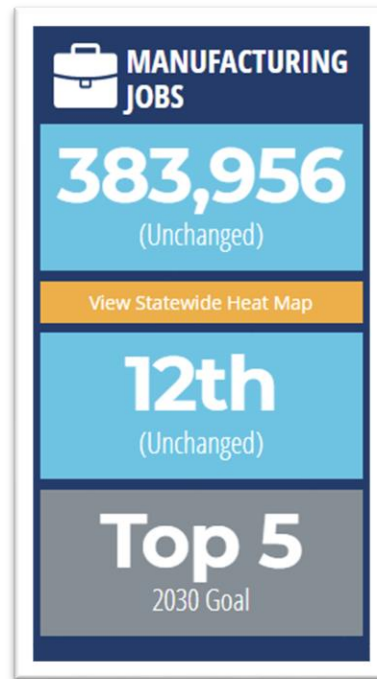


Manufacturing a Brighter Future with **Bill Yeargin**, Correct Craft



Florida Manufacturing Jobs by County

Manufacturing
Pays \$24.5
Billion/Year in
Wages

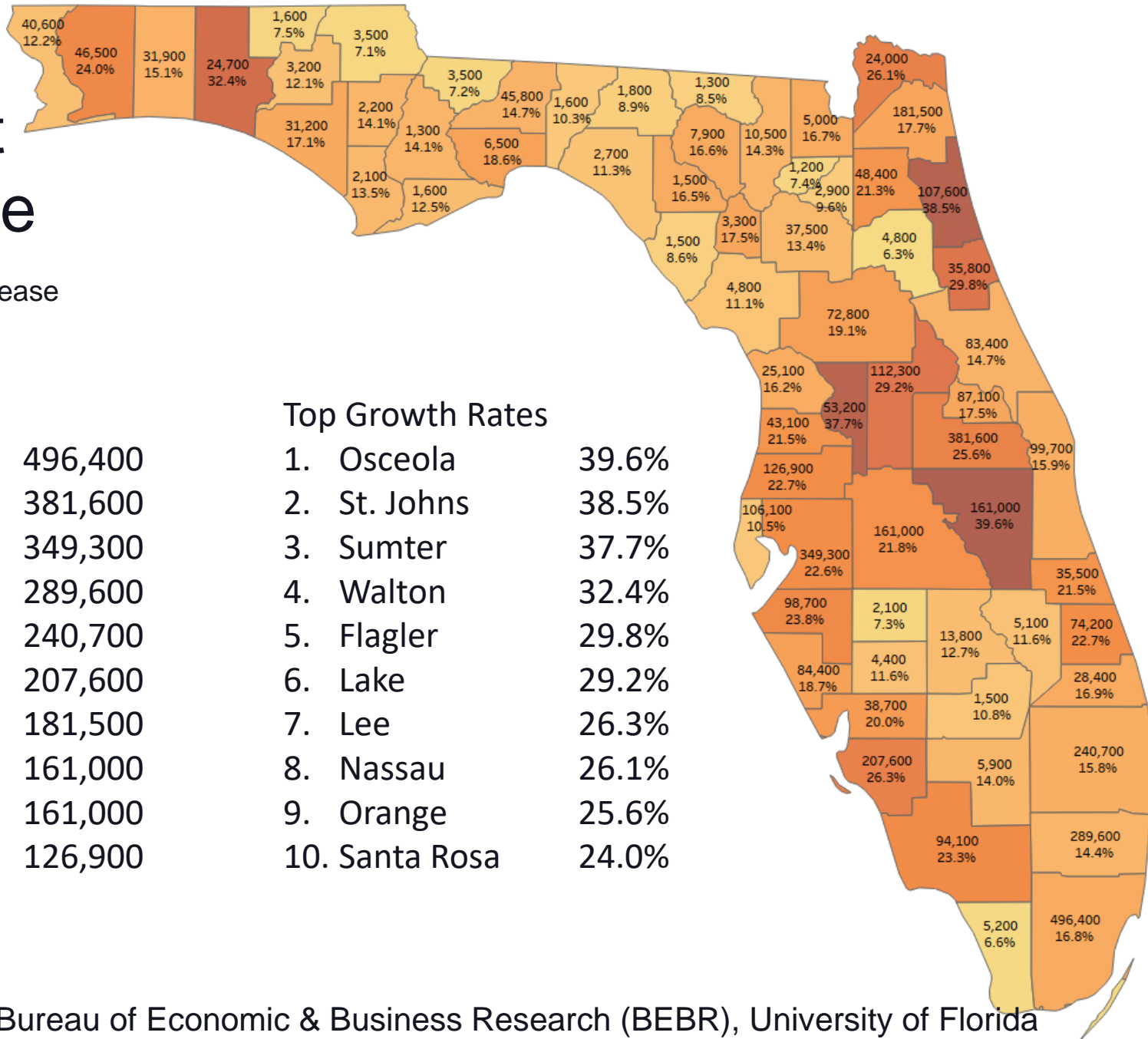


Florida's Next 4 Million People

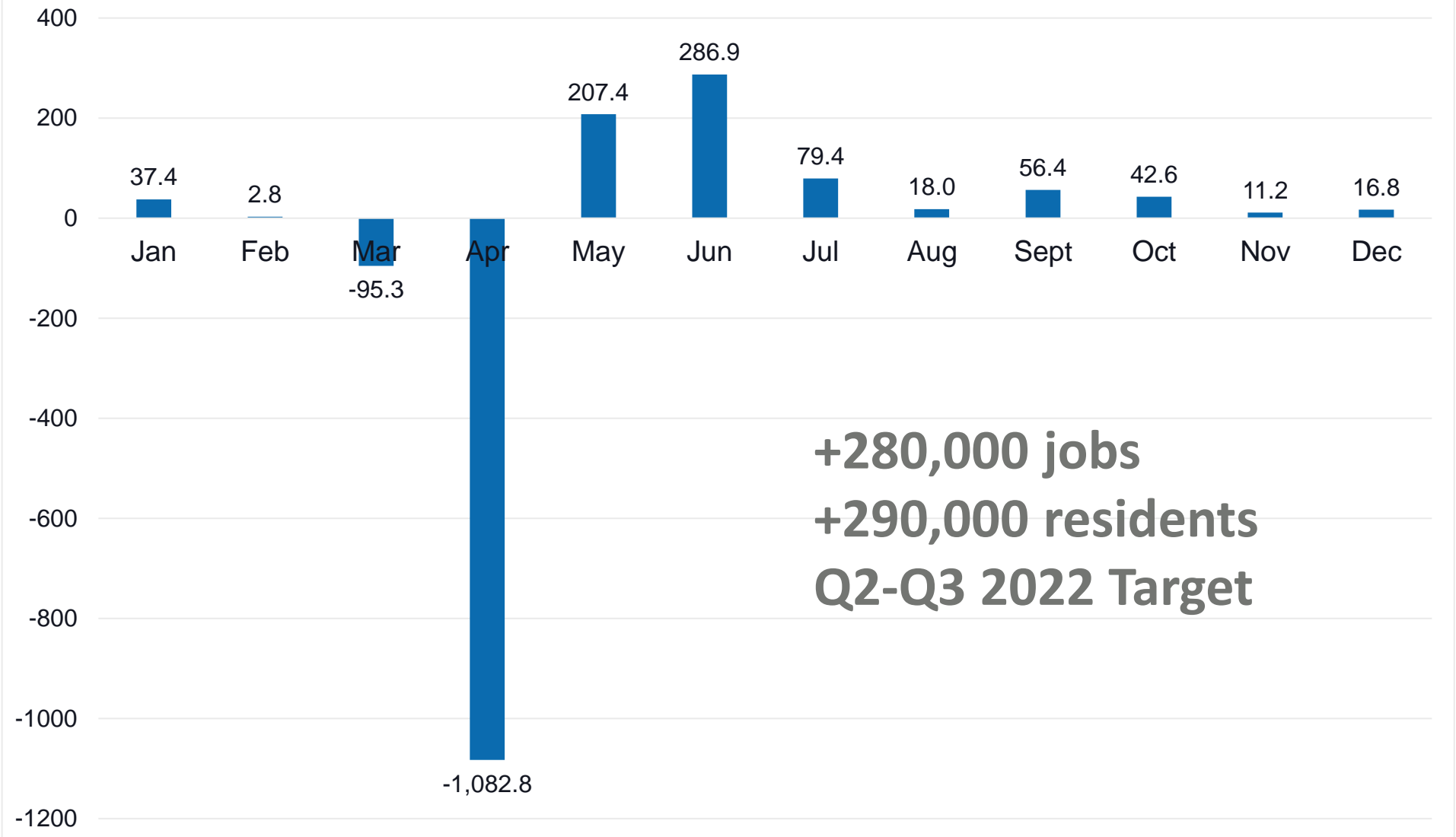
Top Number: Estimated Increase
Bottom Number: Percent

	Top Increases	
Top 4:	1. Miami-Dade 496,400	
35.1%	2. Orange 381,600	
	3. Hillsborough 349,300	
	4. Broward 289,600	
Top 7:	5. Palm Beach 240,700	
49.7%	6. Lee 207,600	
	7. Duval 181,500	
	8. Osceola 161,000	
	9. Polk 161,000	
Top 17:	10. Pasco 126,900	
76.4%		

Top Growth Rates	
1. Osceola	39.6%
2. St. Johns	38.5%
3. Sumter	37.7%
4. Walton	32.4%
5. Flagler	29.8%
6. Lake	29.2%
7. Lee	26.3%
8. Nassau	26.1%
9. Orange	25.6%
10. Santa Rosa	24.0%



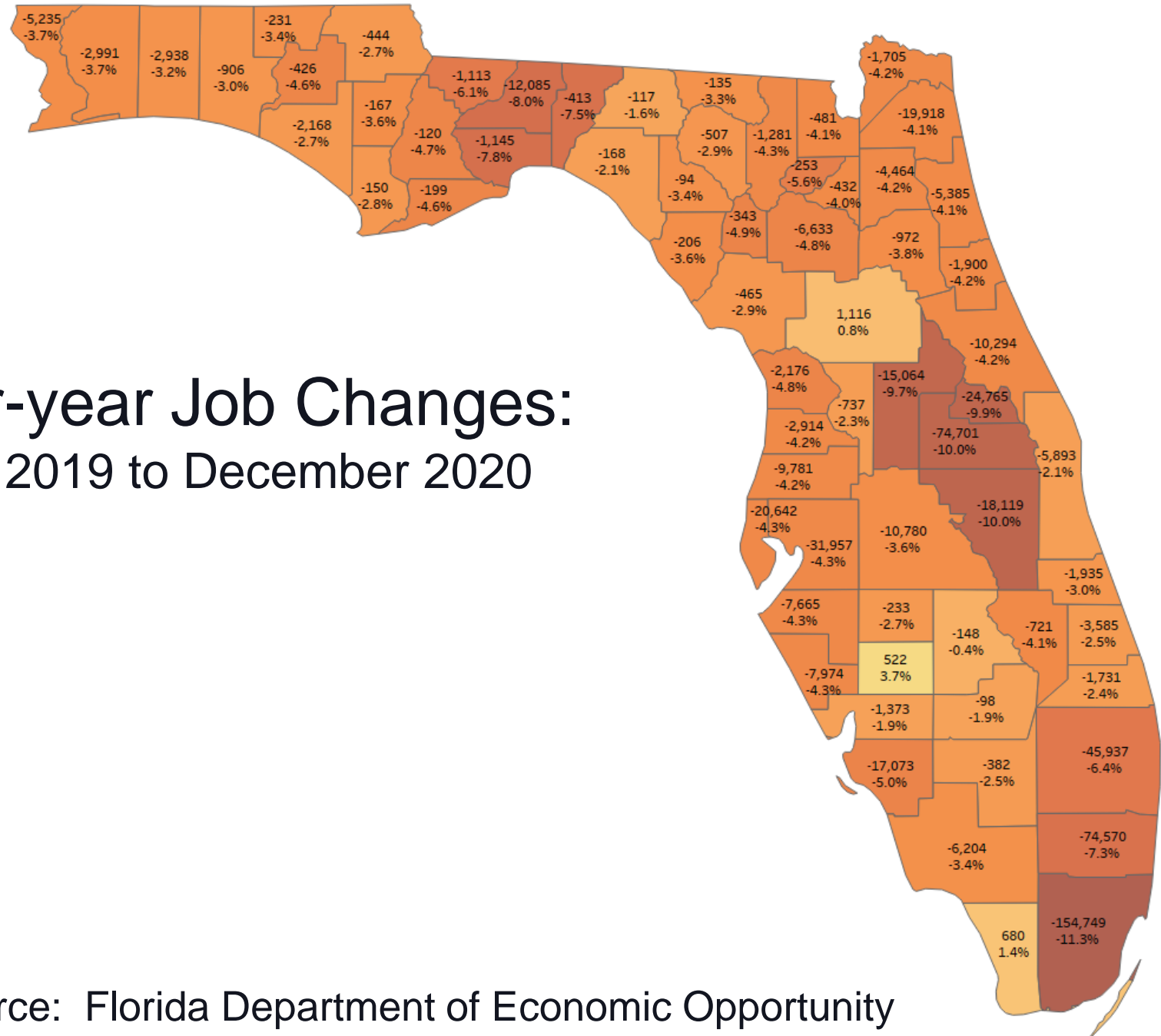
2020 Month-over-Month Job Gains/Losses (thousands)



Job Loss by Category: December 2019 to December 2020

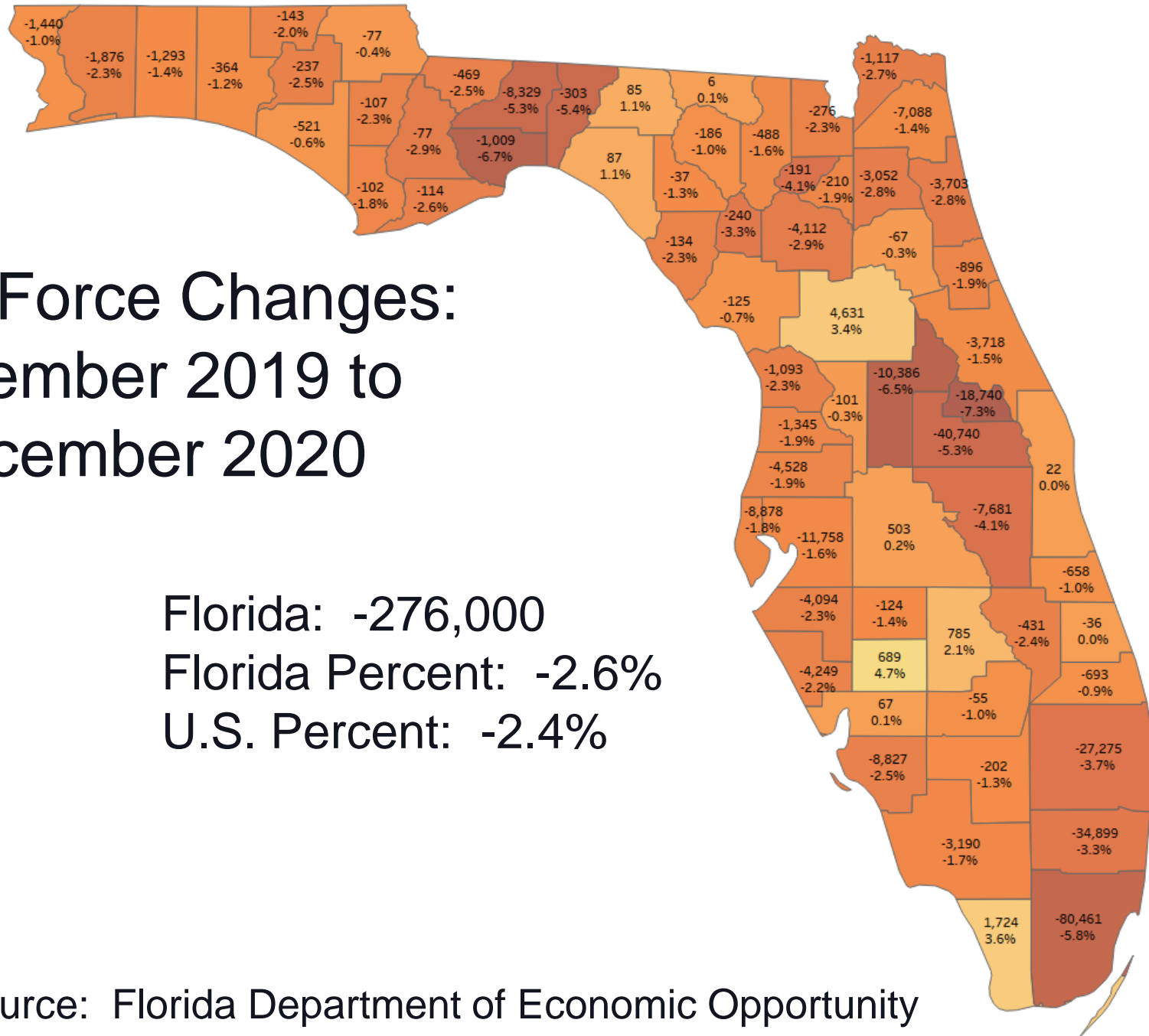
Industry	Job Change	Percent of Industry
Total – All Industries	-419,200	-4.6%
Leisure & Hospitality	-197,000	-15.5%
Professional & Business Services	-52,000	-3.7%
Information	-12,100	-8.8%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-43,300	-2.4%
Education & Health Services	-29,100	-2.1%
Construction	-9,900	-1.7%
Financial Activities	-100	<-0.1%
Manufacturing	-4,400	-1.1%

Year-over-year Job Changes: December 2019 to December 2020



Labor Force Changes: December 2019 to December 2020

Florida: -276,000
Florida Percent: -2.6%
U.S. Percent: -2.4%



Recruiting Better Candidates (> 4,500 Electable Positions By 2026)



Florida Institute
for Political Leadership

"TOMORROW'S LEADERS START HERE"

An initiative by **FLORIDA**
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Broward County has 65+ local elections in 2021-2022

2021 Local Races:

- 3 Deerfield Beach Commission Seats
- 3 Coconut Creek Commission Seats

2022 Local Races:

- 4 County Commission Seats
- 5 School Board Seats
- 60 City Seats
 - Davie, Hallandale Beach, Lighthouse Point, North Lauderdale, Parkland, Sunrise, Weston, Lauderhill, Margate, Coral Springs, Wilton Manors, Lauderdale Lakes, Lauderdale-by-the-Sea, Tamarac, Cooper City, Dania Beach, Ft. Lauderdale, Hollywood, Oakland Park, Pembroke Pines, Plantation



To learn about running for office or to host a local candidate school

– Contact Andrew Wiggins | awiggins@flchamber.com

www.FIPL.org

FBA: 2021 Session Update

By the Numbers (as of Feb. 3):

- Committee Weeks (January 11 – February 19)
- Session (March 2 – April 30)
 - 160 Legislators
 - House- R: 78, D: 42
 - Senate- R: 24, D: 16
- Bills Filed: 1328
 - 40 FBA Bills Filed
 - 9 Anti-Business Bills Filed
- 65 Florida Chamber meetings with legislators
- 119 Votes Tracked

2021 Florida Business Agenda



COVID'S Impact on Advocacy



Legislative Issues to Watch

- Qualified Targeted Industry Tax Refund Reauthorization (SB 982- Gruters)
- COVID-19 Liability Protections (SB 7- McClure/SB 72- Brandes)
- Research & Development Tax Credit (in drafting)
- Enterprise Florida Funding

Governor's Budget Proposal: Florida *Leads*

\$96.6 Billion



January 28, 2021

Lawsuit Abuse Reform

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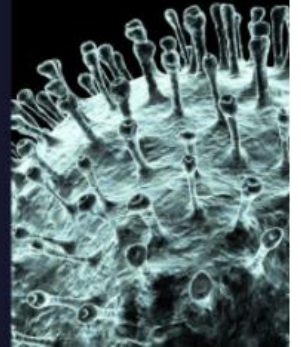
 Car Accidents  Truck

Coronavirus Lawsuit F

What Kind of Florida Businesses Can Be Held Liable for Exposing You to Coronavirus?

Short answer? All kinds. Potentially.

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Many governments and companies face lawsuits alleging negligence during the coronavirus public health crisis.



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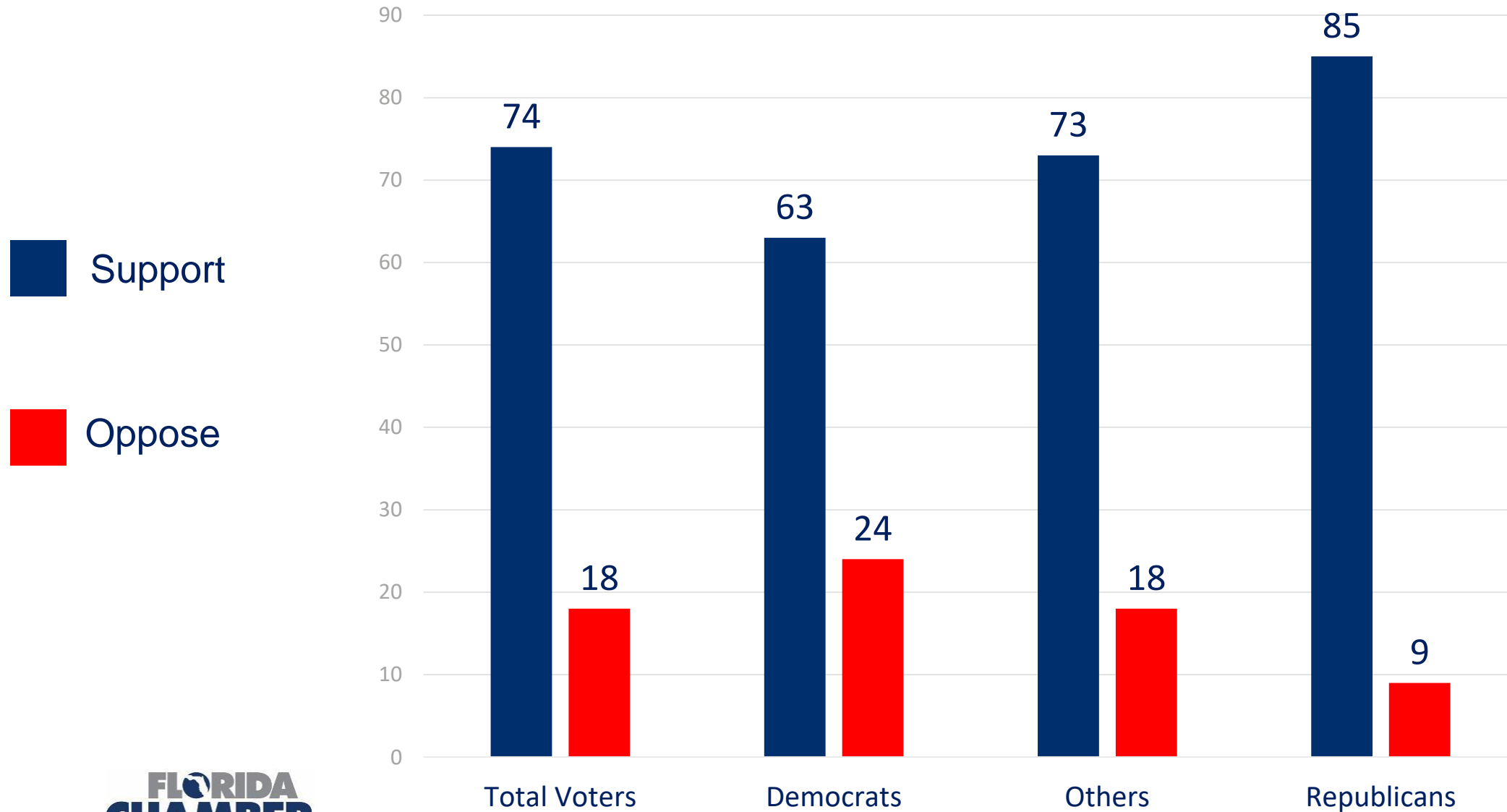
Coronavirus Lawsuits

★★★★★ 1,256 reviews

COVID-19 INCREASING IN FLORIDA PERSONAL INJURY LAWSUITS, DO YOU HAVE CASE?

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COVID-19 Liability Protection



COVID-19 Liability Protections



HB 7: Sponsored by
Rep. Lawrence McClure



SB 72: Sponsored by
Sen. Jeff Brandes

HB 7 Committee References:

Civil Justice & Property Rights Subcommittee (Passed 1/13/21 – 11Y, 6N)
Pandemics & Public Emergencies Committee (Passed 2/3/21 – 11 Y, 6 N)
Judiciary Committee

SB 72 Committee References:

Judiciary (Passed 1/25/21 – 7Y, 4N)
Commerce & Tourism
Rules

HB 7 and SB 72 (Identical)

What the Bill Does:

- Protect business entities, educational institutions, governmental entities, and religious institutions and its persons
- Heighten the standard
- Support a good faith effort
- Apply retroactively
- Implement a 1 year statute of limitations

What the Bill Does Not:

- Include health care providers or facilities
- Offer blanket immunity to bad actors
- Provide protections past the conclusion of the pandemic
- Deny injured parties the ability to have their day in court

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