

# DISTRIBUTION AND LOGISTICS



Florida is the fastest growing state in the country, and the I-4 corridor from Tampa Bay to Orlando is the fastest growing region in Florida. With this increase in population comes an increase in demand for goods and services. As a result, third party logistics and distribution centers of major corporations are flocking to the area in order to meet this demand.

With more than 550 million square feet of distribution space, the Tampa Bay/Orlando I-4 corridor is home to the largest concentration of distribution centers in the state. Additionally, our world-class airport, deep-water seaport, extensive network of rail and interstate highway systems, and a thriving manufacturing industry makes our area a prime location for distribution and logistics centers.

## TAMPA BAYS MAJOR DISTRIBUTION AND LOGISTICS EMPLOYERS:



**#1 Best State Business Environment**  
 — WalletHub, 2023

## TALENT AND WORKFORCE GROWTH

There are more than 2,600 distribution and logistics establishments in the Tampa MSA, which employ more than 51,000. This industry has experienced impressive growth over the last 5 years with an employment growth rate of more than 54%. As our population continues to rise, distribution and logistics and supply chain technology will take on even greater emphasis in the coming years.

### TAMPA MSA ESTABLISHMENTS

TOTAL ESTABLISHMENTS TAMPA MSA .....2,631  
 TOTAL ESTABLISHMENTS FLORIDA .....23,336

### EMPLOYED BY INDUSTRY

### AVERAGE WAGES BY INDUSTRY

Distribution and Logistics Sectors	Tampa MSA	Florida	AVERAGE WAGE	Tampa Florida
TOTAL EMPLOYED	51,569	441,490	\$57,543	\$64,095

Source: Chmura JobsEQ Q3 2023, Total Establishments based on Covered Employment Data as of 2022, Five-year forecast represents Q3 2023 to Q3 2028







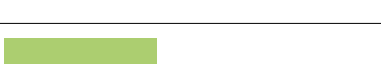







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## TALENT AND WORKFORCE GROWTH

### # EMPLOYED BY OCCUPATION

### AVERAGE WAGES BY OCCUPATION

soc	Distribution and Logistics Occupations	Tampa MSA	Florida	Tampa Florida	
11-3070	Transportation, Storage, and Distribution Managers	1,356	10,353	\$116,100 \$115,200	
13-1080	Logisticians and Project Management Specialists	11,800	75,411	\$97,500 \$95,100	
43-5010	Cargo and Freight Agents	965	8,876	\$55,000 \$53,200	
43-5070	Shipping, Receiving, and Inventory Clerks	7,027	48,472	\$40,300 \$40,400	
47-2070	Construction Equipment Operators	4,683	32,926	\$48,400 \$49,300	
53-1040	First-Line Supervisors of Transportation and Material Moving Workers	5,064	37,611	\$62,300 \$62,100	
53-3030	Driver/Sales Workers and Truck Drivers	32,419	234,964	\$46,900 \$47,800	
53-6050	Transportation Inspectors	169	1,653	\$99,300 \$90,000	
53-7020	Crane and Tower Operators	337	2,813	\$68,800 \$67,800	
53-7050	Industrial Truck and Tractor Operators	4,627	34,667	\$43,200 \$43,100	
53-7060	Laborers and Material Movers	60,944	436,967	\$34,600 \$35,100	
53-7190	Miscellaneous Material Moving Workers	211	1,603	\$38,100 \$40,900	

Source: Chmura JobsEQ Q3 2023

**#1 For Attracting and Developing a Skilled Workforce**  
 – Lightcast, 2023

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### DISTRIBUTION AND LOGISTICS RELATED DEGREES

Programs and Occupations	Code	Degree Level	Tampa MSA	Florida
			2018–2022 5-Year Total	2018–2022 5-Year Total
Business, Management, Marketing, and Related Support Services	52	Associate's	1,498	12,418
	52	Bachelor's	18,526	125,525
	52	Master's	7,845	52,297
	<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>27,869</b>	<b>190,240</b>
Business/Commerce, General	52.01	Associate's	221	280
	52.01	Bachelor's	2,168	6,146
	52.01	Master's	174	2,834
	<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>2,563</b>	<b>9,260</b>
Business Administration, Management and Operations	52.02	Associate's	945	7,908
	52.02	Bachelor's	5,709	47,758
	52.02	Master's	5,657	32,538
	<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>12,311</b>	<b>88,204</b>
Transportation and Materials Moving	49	Certificate < 1 Yr	196	7,589
	49	Associate's	16	3,432
	<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>212</b>	<b>11,021</b>

Source: Chmura JobsEQ Q3 2021 | Employment and Average Wages Per Worker

**“FOR AMAZON, TAMPA BAY IS ONE OF OUR BIGGEST MARKETS IN FLORIDA, AND AMAZON WILL CONTINUE TO INVEST IN ITS SUPPLY CHAIN TO BEST SERVE ITS CUSTOMERS IN THE COMING YEARS. PLUS, TAMPA BAY IS HOME TO AMAZON’S FIRST FLORIDA FULFILLMENT CENTER DOWN IN RUSKIN WHERE WE CURRENTLY EMPLOY MORE THAN 3,000 EMPLOYEES.”**

– Sam Blatt, Manager, Economic Development, Amazon





2nd Highest Manufacturing  
Employment in the State

— JobsEQ, 2023

## TAMPA BAY'S TAX ADVANTAGES:

**NO** corporate income tax on limited partnerships  
**NO** corporate income tax on subchapter S-corporations

**NO** corporate franchise tax on capital stock  
**NO** state-level property tax assessed

**NO** personal income tax  
**NO** sales tax on manufacturing machinery and equipment

**NO** sales and use tax on goods manufactured or produced in Florida for export outside the state  
**NO** property tax on business inventories

**NO** property tax on goods-in-transit for up to 180 days  
**NO** sales/use tax on co-generation of electricity

## ECOSYSTEM HIGHLIGHTS:

Tampa Bay's leading universities and education institutions offer a variety of programs that prepare students for careers in this fast-growing industry. USF's Tampa campus is home to **The Monica Wooden Center for Supply Chain Management & Sustainability**, a first-of-its-kind center in Florida that spearheads efforts related to the supply chain major, minor, graduate program, and several community/industry initiatives. The Center's Supply Chain Innovation Lab brings together industry and academic supply chain management experts to work on research projects tackling some of the industry's biggest challenges.

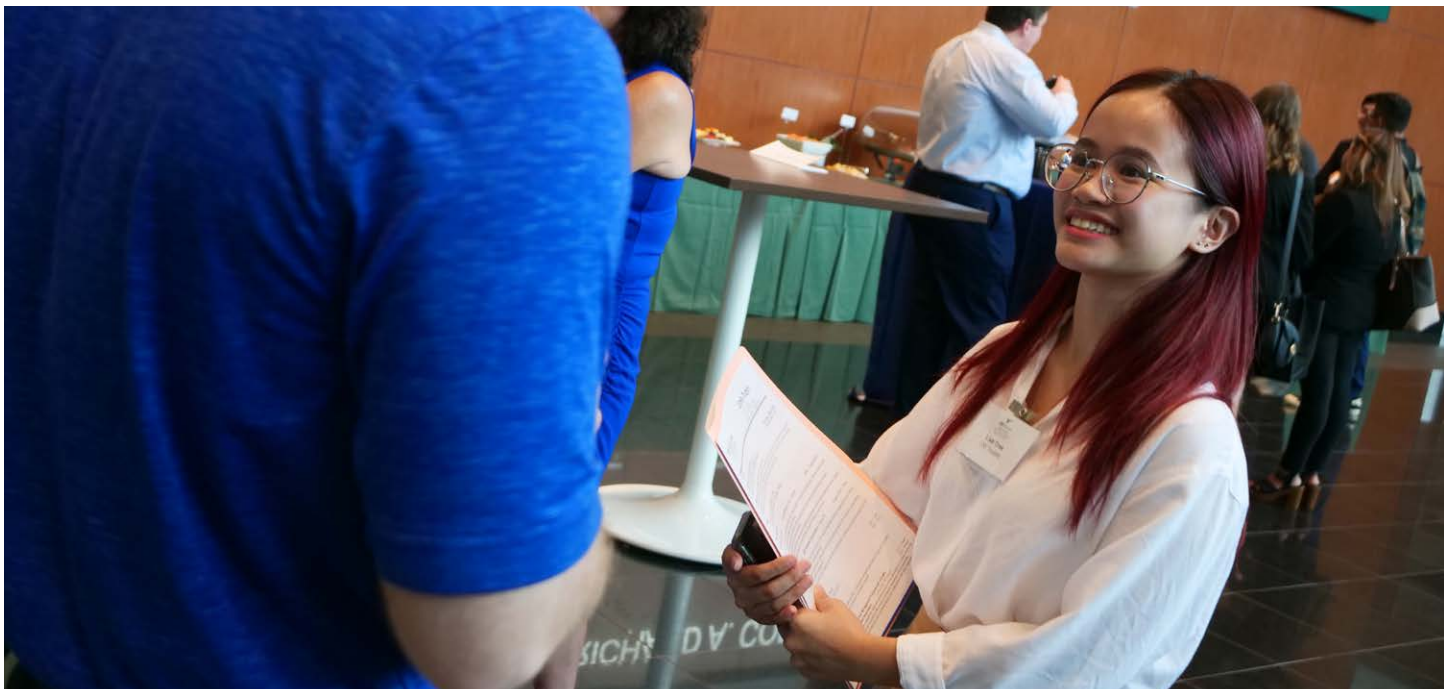
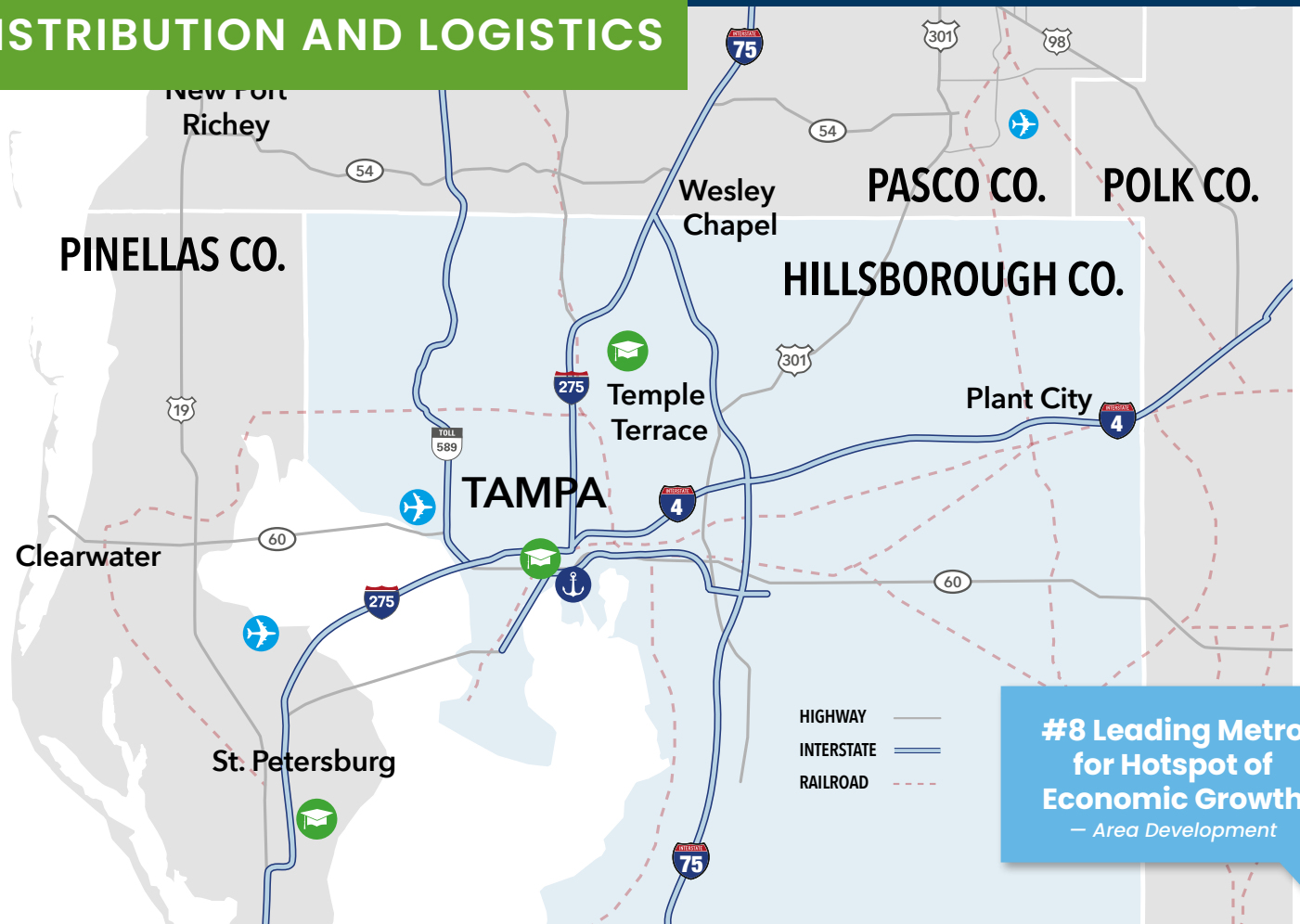


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## TAMPA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

Tampa International Airport (TPA) serves as the community's gateway to the world, with more than 250 daily flights and over 80 nonstop domestic and international destinations such as New York, San Francisco, Chicago, Zurich, Panama City, Frankfurt, and London.

## PORT TAMPA BAY

Port Tampa Bay is the largest and most diversified deepwater seaport in Florida, with more than 5,000 acres of land. As the closest full-service port to the Panama Canal, Port Tampa Bay opens up exporting opportunities to Latin America and Asia. Port Tampa Bay handles more than 33 tons of cargo a year and is an expanding container gateway for distribution centers and manufacturers.

## INTERSTATES AND ROADS

Interstate systems I-4, I-75, and I-275 link the Tampa Bay area to numerous major domestic markets and more than 33 million consumers in an eight-hour drive.

## RAILS

In addition to the road systems, our region offers 500 miles of active railroad and siding tracks operated by CSX. One of the nation's leading transportation suppliers, CSX maintains a major rail yard, an intermodal terminal, a TRANSFLO terminal, and an automotive distribution center in Tampa.