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Unemployment Numbers Versus Reality

On paper, the Southern job market appears robust. Florida and Texas boast significant year-over-year job growth rates. These numbers would suggest a region bursting with opportunity—but this statistical mirage crumbles under the slightest scrutiny. The unemployment rate tells us nothing about the quality of jobs being created, the wages they pay, or whether they provide enough hours to survive.

The reality is that many of these “new jobs” are concentrated in sectors notorious for poverty wages and precarious conditions. Tourism and hospitality, manufacturing, and logistics warehouses across the region provide just enough income to keep workers trapped in cycles of debt and insecurity without offering any meaningful path to stability. These industries thrive on high turnover rates and a constant influx of desperate workers who have few other options—a brutal efficiency that maximizes profit while minimizing human dignity.

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