

# Gilchrist County

Florida's 56th most populous county  
with 0.1% of Florida's population



## Population

Census Population	Gilchrist County	Florida
1980 Census	5,767	9,746,961
1990 Census	9,667	12,938,071
2000 Census	14,437	15,982,824
2010 Census	16,939	18,801,332
2020 Census	17,864	21,538,187
% change 2010-2020	5.5%	14.6%
Age		
% Under 18 years of age	20.7%	19.5%
% Aged 65 and over	21.2%	21.2%
% Median age	44.2	43.0
Gender		
% Male	51.4%	48.6%
% Female	48.6%	51.4%
Race (alone) & Ethnicity		
% Not Hispanic-White	83.0%	51.5%
% Not Hispanic-Black or African American	4.4%	14.5%
% Not Hispanic-American Indian and Alaska Native	0.3%	0.2%
% Not Hispanic-Asian	0.3%	2.9%
% Not Hispanic-Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	0.0%	0.1%
% Not Hispanic-Some Other Race	0.3%	0.6%
% Not Hispanic-Two or More Races	4.1%	3.7%
% Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	7.5%	26.5%

## Population Estimates

	Gilchrist County	Florida
2021 Estimate	18,126	21,898,945
% change 2020-2021	1.5%	1.7%
2022 Estimate	18,841	22,276,132
% change 2020-2022	5.5%	3.4%
2023 Estimate	19,123	22,634,867
% change 2020-2023	7.0%	5.1%
Based on 2023 Estimate		
2025	19,593	23,292,200
2030	20,607	24,698,545
2035	21,425	25,814,954
2040	22,107	26,682,030
2045	22,714	27,409,376
2050	23,294	28,065,018

## Population Characteristics

	Gilchrist County	Florida
Language Spoken at home (% of total persons aged 5 and over)		
Speak only English	94.1%	70.1%
Speak a language other than English	5.9%	29.9%
Speak English "very well"	3.3%	18.1%
Place of birth		
Foreign born	4.5%	21.1%
Veteran status		
Civilian population 18 and over	9.3%	7.9%

## Migration

Residence 1 Year Ago Persons aged 1 and over	Gilchrist County	Florida
Same house	89.0%	85.6%
Different house in the U.S.	10.8%	13.5%
Same county in Florida	2.5%	7.4%
Different county in Florida	7.3%	3.1%
Different county in another state	1.1%	3.0%
Abroad	0.2%	0.9%

## Real Gross Domestic Product

Real GDP (Thousands of Chained 2017 Dollars)	Gilchrist County	Florida
2017 GDP	330,710	1,014,866,863
Percent of the State	0.0%	
2018 GDP	343,291	1,050,433,812
Percent of the State	0.0%	
2019 GDP	348,400	1,079,271,045
Percent of the State	0.0%	
2020 GDP	402,834	1,068,377,540
Percent of the State	0.0%	
2021 GDP	378,142	1,164,778,182
Percent of the State	0.0%	
2022 GDP	360,989	1,218,430,197
Percent of the State	0.0%	

## Population by Housing Type

	Gilchrist County	Florida
Household Population	16,865	21,073,604
Household Population per Occupied Housing Unit	2.57	2.47
Group Quarters Population	999	464,583

## Housing

Housing Counts	Gilchrist County	Florida
Housing units, 2020 Census	7,493	9,865,350
Occupied	6,551	8,529,067
Vacant	942	1,336,283

## Building Permits

Units Permitted	Gilchrist County	Florida
2000	70	155,269
2010	36	38,679
2020	83	164,074
2021	313	213,494
2022	112	211,962
2023	119	193,788

## Density

Persons per square mile	Gilchrist County	Florida
2000	41.4	296.4
2010	48.4	350.6
2020	51.1	401.4
2023	54.7	421.9

## Households and Family Households

Households	Gilchrist County	Florida
Total households, 2000 Census	5,021	6,338,075
Family households, 2000 Census	3,715	4,210,760
% with own children under 18	44.5%	42.3%
Total households, 2010 Census	6,121	7,420,802
Family households, 2010 Census	4,357	4,835,475
% with own children under 18	37.6%	40.0%
Average Household Size, 2010 Census	2.58	2.48
Average Family Size, 2010 Census	3.02	3.01
Total households, 2020 Census	6,551	8,529,067
Family households, 2020 Census	4,597	5,571,482
% with own children under 18	34.1%	36.0%

According to Census definitions, a household includes all of the people who occupy a housing unit. The occupants may be a single family, one person living alone, two or more families living together, or any other group of related or unrelated people who share living quarters. A family includes a householder and one or more other people living in the same household who are related to the householder by birth, marriage, or adoption.  
Census counts may be corrected for Census Count Question Resolution (CCR).

**Employment and Labor Force**

**Establishments**

2022	Gilchrist County	Florida
All industries	381	851,793
Natural Resource & Mining	33	5,563
Construction	64	80,911
Manufacturing	14	24,106
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	77	150,714
Information	4	17,691
Financial Activities	25	92,973
Professional & Business Services	48	215,872
Education & Health Services	33	95,774
Leisure and Hospitality	25	64,512
Other Services	21	58,508
Government	27	5,903

**Establishments**

% of All Industries, 2022	Gilchrist County	Florida
All industries	381	851,793
Natural Resource & Mining	8.7%	0.7%
Construction	16.8%	9.5%
Manufacturing	3.7%	2.8%
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	20.2%	17.7%
Information	1.0%	2.1%
Financial Activities	6.6%	10.9%
Professional & Business Services	12.6%	25.3%
Education & Health Services	8.7%	11.2%
Leisure and Hospitality	6.6%	7.6%
Other Services	5.5%	6.9%
Government	7.1%	0.7%

**Average Annual Employment  
% of All Industries, 2022**

	Gilchrist County	Florida
All industries	3,588	9,359,143
Natural Resource & Mining	11.3%	0.8%
Construction	8.2%	6.4%
Manufacturing	7.3%	4.4%
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	10.2%	20.5%
Information	0.3%	1.7%
Financial Activities	2.0%	7.0%
Professional & Business Services	7.0%	16.9%
Education & Health Services	10.5%	14.8%
Leisure and Hospitality	10.3%	13.2%
Other Services	2.2%	3.0%
Government	30.5%	11.2%

**Average Annual Wage  
2022**

	Gilchrist County	Florida
All industries	\$42,209	\$63,770
Natural Resource & Mining	\$45,076	\$43,504
Construction	\$51,475	\$63,021
Manufacturing	\$56,061	\$74,590
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	\$38,711	\$56,618
Information	\$31,945	\$109,068
Financial Activities	\$57,609	\$97,914
Professional & Business Services	\$41,932	\$79,380
Education & Health Services	\$38,836	\$62,057
Leisure and Hospitality	\$20,627	\$33,766
Other Services	\$44,386	\$47,178
Government	\$43,866	\$64,666

Industries may not add to the total due to confidentiality and unclassified.

**Labor Force as Percent of Population**

Aged 18 and Older	Gilchrist County	Florida
2000	58.9%	63.7%
2010	51.2%	61.8%
2020	47.9%	58.5%
2021	50.0%	59.1%
2022	48.1%	59.8%
2023	47.9%	60.5%

Unemployment Rate	Gilchrist County	Florida
2000	3.6%	3.7%
2010	10.4%	10.8%
2020	5.2%	8.1%
2021	3.9%	4.7%
2022	3.2%	3.0%
2023	3.3%	2.9%

**Income and Financial Health**

Personal Income (\$000s)	Gilchrist County	Florida
2000	\$294,324	\$471,588,082
2010	\$440,435	\$730,690,145
% change 2000-2010	49.6%	54.9%
2020	\$711,358	\$1,221,121,559
% change 2010-2020	61.5%	67.1%
2021	\$773,159	\$1,376,879,460
% change 2020-2021	8.7%	12.8%
2022	\$801,000	\$1,441,598,918
% change 2021-2022	3.6%	4.7%

Per Capita Personal Income	Gilchrist County	Florida
2000	\$20,378	\$29,387
2010	\$25,931	\$38,778
% change 2000-2010	27.2%	32.0%
2020	\$39,778	\$56,561
% change 2010-2020	53.4%	45.9%
2021	\$42,235	\$63,078
% change 2020-2021	6.2%	11.5%
2022	\$42,176	\$64,806
% change 2021-2022	-0.1%	2.7%

**Earnings by Place of Work (\$000s)**

	Gilchrist County	Florida
2000	\$101,246	\$308,751,767
2010	\$148,095	\$439,036,383
% change 2000-2010	46.3%	42.2%
2020	\$270,518	\$683,698,267
% change 2010-2020	82.7%	55.7%
2021	\$265,680	\$768,399,192
% change 2020-2021	-1.8%	12.4%
2022	\$261,103	\$844,048,879
% change 2021-2022	-1.7%	9.8%

Median Income	Gilchrist County	Florida
Median Household Income	\$56,823	\$67,917
Median Family Income	\$71,467	\$81,514

Percent in Poverty, 2022	Gilchrist County	Florida
All ages in poverty	14.6%	12.7%
Under age 18 in poverty	20.4%	17.3%
Related children age 5-17 in families in poverty	20.4%	16.1%

**Workers Aged 16 and Over**

	Gilchrist County	Florida
Place of Work in Florida		
Worked outside county of residence	64.0%	17.3%
Travel Time to Work		
Mean travel time to work (minutes)	30.0	27.9

Personal Bankruptcy Filing Rate (per 1,000 population)	Gilchrist County	Florida
12-Month Period Ending September 30, 2022	0.85	1.14
12-Month Period Ending September 30, 2023	0.78	1.16
State Rank	40	NA

NonBusiness Chapter 7 & Chapter 13

Reported County Government Revenues and Expenditures

Revenue 2020-21	Gilchrist County	Florida*	Expenditures 2020-21	Gilchrist County	Florida*
Total - All Revenue Account Codes (\$000s)	\$45,218.2	\$81,512,347.2	Total - All Expenditure Account Codes (\$000s)	\$41,699.20	\$77,064,319.71
Per Capita \$	\$2,494.66	\$3,903.45	Per Capita \$	\$2,300.52	\$3,690.44
% of Total	100.0%	100.0%	% of Total	100.0%	100.0%
Taxes (\$000s)	\$10,877.3	\$28,700,395.9	General Government Services** (\$000s)	\$26,142.37	\$30,930,327.83
Per Capita \$	\$600.10	\$1,374.40	Per Capita \$	\$1,442.26	\$1,481.19
% of Total	24.1%	35.2%	% of Total	62.7%	40.1%
Permits, Fee, and Special Assessments (\$000s)	\$1,641.1	\$3,079,751.7	Public Safety (\$000s)	\$9,183.55	\$13,640,661.35
Per Capita \$	\$90.54	\$147.48	Per Capita \$	\$506.65	\$653.22
% of Total	3.6%	3.8%	% of Total	22.0%	17.7%
Intergovernmental Revenues (\$000s)	\$7,131.1	\$9,164,789.4	Physical Environment (\$000s)	\$1,343.36	\$5,265,524.83
Per Capita \$	\$393.42	\$438.88	Per Capita \$	\$74.11	\$252.15
% of Total	15.8%	11.2%	% of Total	3.2%	6.8%
Charges for Services (\$000s)	\$3,196.3	\$23,760,013.8	Transportation (\$000s)	\$1,912.95	\$5,650,946.87
Per Capita \$	\$176.34	\$1,137.82	Per Capita \$	\$105.54	\$270.61
% of Total	7.1%	29.1%	% of Total	4.6%	7.3%
Judgments, Fines, and Forfeits (\$000s)	\$123.6	\$338,738.4	Economic Environment (\$000s)	\$175.23	\$1,975,239.15
Per Capita \$	\$6.82	\$16.22	Per Capita \$	\$9.67	\$94.59
% of Total	0.3%	0.4%	% of Total	0.4%	2.6%
Miscellaneous Revenues (\$000s)	\$21,505.0	\$4,467,076.4	Human Services (\$000s)	\$675.43	\$4,694,300.07
Per Capita \$	\$1,186.42	\$213.92	Per Capita \$	\$37.26	\$224.80
% of Total	47.6%	5.5%	% of Total	1.6%	6.1%
Other Sources (\$000s)	\$743.8	\$12,001,581.6	Culture / Recreation (\$000s)	\$821.06	\$1,794,823.73
Per Capita \$	\$41.03	\$574.73	Per Capita \$	\$45.30	\$85.95
% of Total	1.6%	14.7%	% of Total	2.0%	2.3%
			Other Uses and Non-Operating (\$000s)	\$544.16	\$10,103,703.21
			Per Capita \$	\$30.02	\$483.84
			% of Total	1.3%	13.1%
			Court-Related Expenditures (\$000s)	\$901.09	\$3,008,792.67
			Per Capita \$	\$49.71	\$144.08
			% of Total	2.2%	3.9%

\* All County Governments Except Duval - The consolidated City of Jacksonville / Duval County figures are included in municipal totals rather than county government totals.

\*\* (Not Court-Related)

Quality of Life

Crime	Gilchrist County	Florida
Crime rate, 2020 (index crimes per 100,000 population)	662.3	2,158.0
Admissions to prison FY 2022-23	25	27,209
Admissions to prison per 100,000 population FY 2022-23	130.7	120.2

State Infrastructure

Transportation	Gilchrist County	Florida
State Highway		
Centerline Miles	60.2	12,123.4
Lane Miles	121.6	45,337.5
State Bridges		
Number	6	7,079

State Facilities

Buildings/Facilities (min. 300 Square Feet)	Gilchrist County	Florida
Number	90	9,426
Square Footage	289,077	65,539,144

Conservation Land (land acres only)

State-Owned (includes partially-owned)	Gilchrist County	Florida
State-Owned (includes partially-owned)	8,215	5,689,323
% of Total Conservation Land (CL)	96.8%	54.9%
% of Total Area Land	3.7%	16.6%
% of Florida State-Owned CL	0.1%	

Other County Profiles

Criminal Justice County Profiles  
School District Profiles

Health Insurance Status

Percent Insured by Age Group	Gilchrist County	Florida
Under 65 years	83.9%	84.9%
Under 19 years	90.9%	92.7%
18 to 64 years	81.2%	82.2%

State and Local Taxation

2023	Gilchrist County	Not County-Wide*
County	8.7000	
School	5.4650	
Municipal		0.4498
Special Districts	1.0423	

\*MSTU included in Not County-Wide "County" category

Education

Public Education Schools	Gilchrist County	Florida
Traditional Setting (2023-24)		
Total (state total includes special districts)	4	3,787
Elementary	2	1,877
Middle	0	565
Senior High	2	729
Combination	0	616

Educational attainment

Persons aged 25 and older	Gilchrist County	Florida
% HS graduate or higher	86.0%	89.3%
% bachelor's degree or higher	14.6%	32.3%

