

# St. Lucie County

Florida's 20th most populous county  
with 1.6% of Florida's population



## Population

Census Population	St. Lucie County	Florida
1980 Census	87,182	9,746,961
1990 Census	150,171	12,938,071
2000 Census	192,695	15,982,824
2010 Census	277,789	18,801,332
2020 Census	329,226	21,538,187
% change 2010-2020	18.5%	14.6%
Age		
% Under 18 years of age	19.9%	19.5%
Race (alone) & Ethnicity		
% Not Hispanic-White	53.6%	51.5%
% Not Hispanic-Black or African American	19.6%	14.5%
% Not Hispanic-American Indian and Alaska Native	0.2%	0.2%
% Not Hispanic-Asian	1.7%	2.9%
% Not Hispanic-Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	0.0%	0.1%
% Not Hispanic-Some Other Race	0.8%	0.6%
% Not Hispanic-Two or More Races	3.9%	3.7%
% Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	20.1%	26.5%

## Population Estimates

	St. Lucie County	Florida
2021 Estimate	340,060	21,898,945
% change 2020-2021	3.3%	1.7%
Based on 2021 Estimate		
2025	370,390	23,164,008
2030	403,213	24,471,129
2035	429,800	25,520,837
2040	450,961	26,405,472
2045	469,673	27,176,715
2050	486,932	27,877,707

## Population Characteristics

	St. Lucie County	Florida
Language spoken at home other than English		
Persons aged 5 and over	22.5%	29.4%
Place of birth		
Foreign born	16.1%	20.8%
Veteran status		
Civilian population 18 and over	9.3%	8.4%

## Migration

Residence 1 Year Ago	St. Lucie County	Florida
Persons aged 1 and over		
Same house	87.4%	84.9%
Different house in the U.S.	12.1%	14.1%
Same county in Florida	5.7%	8.1%
Different county in Florida	3.9%	3.1%
Different county in another state	2.6%	2.8%
Abroad	0.5%	1.0%

## Real Gross Domestic Product

Real GDP (Thousands of Chained 2012 Dollars)	St. Lucie County	Florida
2015 GDP	7,809,958	852,242,411
Percent of the State	0.9%	
2016 GDP	8,143,281	881,539,238
Percent of the State	0.9%	
2017 GDP	8,428,741	912,966,152
Percent of the State	0.9%	
2018 GDP	8,701,967	943,463,397
Percent of the State	0.9%	
2019 GDP	8,786,833	971,619,168
Percent of the State	0.9%	
2020 GDP	8,775,826	944,000,797
Percent of the State	0.9%	

## Population by Housing Type

	St. Lucie County	Florida
Household Population	326,316	21,073,604
Household Population per Occupied Housing Unit	2.53	2.47
Group Quarters Population	2,910	464,583

## Housing

Housing Counts	St. Lucie County	Florida
Housing units, 2020 Census	147,884	9,865,350
Occupied	128,997	8,529,067
Vacant	18,887	1,336,283

## Building Permits

Units Permitted	St. Lucie County	Florida
2000	2,093	155,269
2010	293	38,679
2020	4,694	164,074
2021	7,461	213,494

## Density

Persons per square mile	St. Lucie County	Florida
2000	336.6	296.4
2010	485.7	350.6
2020	575.9	401.4
2021	594.9	408.2

## Households and Family Households

Households	St. Lucie County	Florida
Total households, 2000 Census	76,933	6,338,075
Family households, 2000 Census	54,258	4,210,760
% with own children under 18	37.3%	42.3%
Total households, 2010 Census	108,523	7,420,802
Family households, 2010 Census	74,963	4,835,475
% with own children under 18	38.4%	40.0%
Average Household Size, 2010 Census	2.53	2.48
Average Family Size, 2010 Census	2.99	3.01

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 (CQR).

Employment and Labor Force

Establishments 2020	St. Lucie County	Florida	Establishments % of All Industries, 2020	St. Lucie County	Florida
All industries	7,366	763,854	All industries	7.366	763,854
Natural Resource & Mining	61	5,514	Natural Resource & Mining	0.8%	0.7%
Construction	1,139	77,720	Construction	15.5%	10.2%
Manufacturing	209	21,822	Manufacturing	2.8%	2.9%
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	1,384	145,853	Trade, Transportation and Utilities	18.8%	19.1%
Information	74	13,437	Information	1.0%	1.8%
Financial Activities	665	83,911	Financial Activities	9.0%	11.0%
Professional & Business Services	1,449	187,348	Professional & Business Services	19.7%	24.5%
Education & Health Services	1,050	87,764	Education & Health Services	14.3%	11.5%
Leisure and Hospitality	596	61,008	Leisure and Hospitality	8.1%	8.0%
Other Services	539	56,385	Other Services	7.3%	7.4%
Government	92	5,895	Government	1.2%	0.8%

Average Annual Employment % of All Industries, 2020	St. Lucie County	Florida	Average Annual Wage 2020	St. Lucie County	Florida
All industries	78,151	8,453,489	All industries	\$44,931	\$55,840
Natural Resource & Mining	7.5%	0.8%	Natural Resource & Mining	\$45,930	\$37,710
Construction	5.0%	6.7%	Construction	\$50,181	\$55,840
Manufacturing	21.8%	4.5%	Manufacturing	\$42,903	\$66,738
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	0.6%	20.6%	Trade, Transportation and Utilities	\$56,980	\$49,342
Information	3.5%	1.5%	Information	\$54,143	\$93,360
Financial Activities	12.8%	6.9%	Financial Activities	\$44,427	\$84,295
Professional & Business Services	16.5%	16.1%	Professional & Business Services	\$50,542	\$68,218
Education & Health Services	11.3%	15.3%	Education & Health Services	\$22,415	\$55,099
Leisure and Hospitality	3.7%	11.9%	Leisure and Hospitality	\$40,611	\$27,694
Other Services	0.1%	3.0%	Other Services	\$36,256	\$41,131
Government	16.3%	12.5%	Government	\$54,562	\$58,821

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

Labor Force as Percent of Population Aged 18 and Older	St. Lucie County	Florida	Unemployment Rate	St. Lucie County	Florida
2000	59.2%	64.2%	2000	5.8%	3.8%
2010	59.1%	61.8%	2010	13.3%	10.8%
2020	57.7%	58.6%	2020	8.3%	8.2%
2021	57.2%	59.0%	2021	4.9%	4.6%

Income and Financial Health

Personal Income (\$000s)	St. Lucie County	Florida	Per Capita Personal Income	St. Lucie County	Florida
2000	\$4,362,886	\$472,851,789	2000	\$22,545	\$29,466
2010	\$8,595,618	\$732,457,478	2010	\$30,887	\$38,865
2011	\$9,139,430	\$771,409,454	2011	\$32,585	\$40,482
% change 2010-11	6.3%	5.3%	% change 2010-11	5.5%	4.2%
2012	\$9,554,584	\$800,551,723	2012	\$33,757	\$41,475
% change 2011-12	4.5%	3.8%	% change 2011-12	3.6%	2.5%
2013	\$9,667,074	\$802,975,701	2013	\$33,868	\$41,069
% change 2012-13	1.2%	0.3%	% change 2012-13	0.3%	-1.0%
2014	\$10,198,126	\$861,412,339	2014	\$35,141	\$43,388
% change 2013-14	5.5%	7.3%	% change 2013-14	3.8%	5.6%
2015	\$10,850,148	\$919,834,894	2015	\$36,475	\$45,493
% change 2014-15	6.4%	6.8%	% change 2014-15	3.8%	4.9%
2016	\$11,701,067	\$954,069,719	2016	\$38,267	\$46,253
% change 2015-16	7.8%	3.7%	% change 2015-16	4.9%	1.7%
2017	\$12,256,013	\$1,023,131,116	2017	\$39,131	\$48,774
% change 2016-17	4.7%	7.2%	% change 2016-17	2.3%	5.5%
2018	\$12,978,398	\$1,087,188,628	2018	\$40,514	\$51,150
% change 2017-18	5.9%	6.3%	% change 2017-18	3.5%	4.9%
2019	\$13,600,391	\$1,139,799,293	2019	\$41,457	\$53,034
% change 2018-19	4.8%	4.8%	% change 2018-19	2.3%	3.7%
2020	\$14,825,941	\$1,209,995,921	2020	\$43,970	\$55,675
% change 2019-20	9.0%	6.2%	% change 2019-20	6.1%	5.0%

Earnings by Place of Work (\$000s)	St. Lucie County	Florida	Median Income	St. Lucie County	Florida
2000	\$1,947,741	\$308,751,767	Median Household Income	\$55,237	\$57,703
2010	\$3,494,032	\$438,983,914	Median Family Income	\$62,950	\$69,670
2011	\$3,683,431	\$450,498,606			
% change 2010-11	5.4%	2.6%			
2012	\$3,869,410	\$468,410,475			
% change 2011-12	5.0%	4.0%			
2013	\$3,902,749	\$482,898,301			
% change 2012-13	0.9%	3.1%			
2014	\$4,064,138	\$512,375,290			
% change 2013-14	4.1%	6.1%			
2015	\$4,285,718	\$544,408,719			
% change 2014-15	5.5%	6.3%			
2016	\$4,442,873	\$569,769,284			
% change 2015-16	3.7%	4.7%			
2017	\$4,713,197	\$603,668,170			
% change 2016-17	6.1%	5.9%			
2018	\$5,012,828	\$639,620,451			
% change 2017-18	6.4%	6.0%			
2019	\$5,331,272	\$671,553,148			
% change 2018-19	6.4%	5.0%			
2020	\$5,546,326	\$688,764,753			
% change 2019-20	4.0%	2.6%			

  

Percent in Poverty, 2020	St. Lucie County	Florida
All ages in poverty	13.8%	12.4%
Under age 18 in poverty	21.2%	17.2%
Related children age 5-17 in families in poverty	20.2%	16.5%

  

Personal Bankruptcy Filing Rate (per 1,000 population)	St. Lucie County	Florida
12-Month Period Ending December 31, 2020	2.03	1.66
12-Month Period Ending December 31, 2021	1.62	1.38
State Rank	5	NA
NonBusiness Chapter 7 & Chapter 13		

  

Workers Aged 16 and Over	St. Lucie County	Florida
Place of Work in Florida		
Worked outside county of residence	35.8%	18.1%
Travel Time to Work		
Mean travel time to work (minutes)	27.8	27.9

Reported County Government Revenues and Expenditures

Revenue 2019-20	St. Lucie County	Florida*	Expenditures 2019-20	St. Lucie County	Florida*
Total - All Revenue Account Codes (\$000s)	\$474,222.5	\$52,645,134.4	Total - All Expenditure Account Codes (\$000s)	\$481,165.04	\$48,804,501.28
Per Capita \$	\$1,471.53	\$2,553.85	Per Capita \$	\$1,493.07	\$2,367.54
% of Total	100.0%	100.0%	% of Total	100.0%	100.0%
Taxes (\$000s)	\$207,447.0	\$16,651,821.4	General Government Services** (\$000s)	\$80,966.76	\$8,468,311.68
Per Capita \$	\$643.72	\$807.79	Per Capita \$	\$251.24	\$410.80
% of Total	43.7%	31.6%	% of Total	16.8%	17.4%
Permits, Fee, and Special Assessments (\$000s)	\$34,864.8	\$2,256,256.6	Public Safety (\$000s)	\$123,774.07	\$12,039,077.73
Per Capita \$	\$108.19	\$109.45	Per Capita \$	\$384.08	\$584.02
% of Total	7.4%	4.3%	% of Total	25.7%	24.7%
Intergovernmental Revenues (\$000s)	\$64,588.0	\$7,095,752.8	Physical Environment (\$000s)	\$55,184.72	\$5,403,299.24
Per Capita \$	\$200.42	\$344.22	Per Capita \$	\$171.24	\$262.12
% of Total	13.6%	13.5%	% of Total	11.5%	11.1%
Charges for Services (\$000s)	\$60,385.1	\$14,148,555.9	Transportation (\$000s)	\$43,030.30	\$5,666,984.30
Per Capita \$	\$187.38	\$686.36	Per Capita \$	\$133.52	\$274.91
% of Total	12.7%	26.9%	% of Total	8.9%	11.6%
Judgments, Fines, and Forfeits (\$000s)	\$2,567.3	\$161,937.7	Economic Environment (\$000s)	\$9,541.09	\$1,793,284.71
Per Capita \$	\$7.97	\$7.86	Per Capita \$	\$29.61	\$86.99
% of Total	0.5%	0.3%	% of Total	2.0%	3.7%
Miscellaneous Revenues (\$000s)	\$29,589.0	\$1,629,204.3	Human Services (\$000s)	\$17,077.72	\$4,112,446.49
Per Capita \$	\$91.82	\$79.03	Per Capita \$	\$52.99	\$199.50
% of Total	6.2%	3.1%	% of Total	3.5%	8.4%
Other Sources (\$000s)	\$74,781.2	\$10,701,605.8	Culture / Recreation (\$000s)	\$63,102.44	\$1,960,626.16
Per Capita \$	\$232.05	\$519.14	Per Capita \$	\$195.81	\$95.11
% of Total	15.8%	20.3%	% of Total	13.1%	4.0%
			Other Uses and Non-Operating (\$000s)	\$69,974.84	\$8,431,538.28
			Per Capita \$	\$217.13	\$409.02
			% of Total	14.5%	17.3%
			Court-Related Expenditures (\$000s)	\$18,513.10	\$928,932.70
			Per Capita \$	\$57.45	\$45.06
			% of Total	3.8%	1.9%

\* 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	St. Lucie County	Florida
Crime rate, 2020 (index crimes per 100,000 population)	1,395.4	2,152.3
Admissions to prison FY 2020-21	503	18,149
Admissions to prison per 100,000 population FY 2020-21	147.9	82.9

Health Insurance Status

Percent Insured by Age Group	St. Lucie County	Florida
Under 65 years	81.9%	83.6%
Under 19 years	90.8%	92.4%
18 to 64 years	78.7%	80.6%

State Infrastructure

Transportation	St. Lucie County	Florida
State Highway		
Centerline Miles	166.4	12,135.8
Lane Miles	693.8	45,111.7
State Bridges		
Number	84	7,079

State and Local Taxation

2021 Ad Valorem Millage Rates	St. Lucie County	Not County-Wide*
County	7.3664	1.0621
School	6.8530	
Municipal		3.6972
Special Districts	3.7436	0.1319

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

State Facilities

Buildings/Facilities (min. 300 Square Feet)	St. Lucie County	Florida
Number	101	9,426
Square Footage	729,645	65,539,144

Education

Public Education Schools	St. Lucie County	Florida
Traditional Setting (2021-22)		
Total (state total includes special districts)	46	3,755
Elementary	18	1,876
Middle	4	568
Senior High	11	719
Combination	13	592

Conservation Land (land acres only)

State-Owned (includes partially-owned)	St. Lucie County	Florida
State-Owned (includes partially-owned)	20,950	5,478,547
% of Total Conservation Land (CL)	63.3%	51.8%
% of Total Area Land	5.7%	16.0%
% of Florida State-Owned CL	0.4%	
State-Managed	19,887	5,627,174
% of Total Conservation Land (CL)	60.1%	53.2%
% of Total Area Land	5.4%	16.4%
% of Florida State-Managed CL	0.4%	

Educational attainment

Persons aged 25 and older	St. Lucie County	Florida
% HS graduate or higher	87.3%	88.5%
% bachelor's degree or higher	22.5%	30.5%

