

Columbia County

Florida's 41st most populous county
with 0.3% of Florida's population



Population

Census Population	Columbia County	Florida
1980 Census	35,399	9,746,961
1990 Census	42,613	12,938,071
2000 Census	56,513	15,982,824
2010 Census	67,531	18,801,332
2020 Census	69,698	21,538,187
% change 2010-2020	3.2%	14.6%
Age		
% Under 18 years of age	21.4%	19.5%
Race (alone) & Ethnicity		
% Not Hispanic-White	70.4%	51.5%
% Not Hispanic-Black or African American	16.4%	14.5%
% Not Hispanic-American Indian and Alaska Native	0.3%	0.2%
% Not Hispanic-Asian	1.2%	2.9%
% Not Hispanic-Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	0.0%	0.1%
% Not Hispanic-Some Other Race	0.4%	0.6%
% Not Hispanic-Two or More Races	3.8%	3.7%
% Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	7.3%	26.5%
Household Population per Occupied Housing Unit	2.50	2.47
Estimates and Projections		
2021 Estimate	69,809	21,898,945
Based on 2020 Estimate		
2025	73,506	23,138,553
2030	75,881	24,419,127
2035	77,689	25,461,863
2040	79,177	26,356,415
2045	80,462	27,149,835
2020 Median Age	41.5	41.8

Population Characteristics

	Columbia County	Florida
Language spoken at home other than English		
Persons aged 5 and over	6.8%	29.4%
Place of birth		
Foreign born	3.9%	20.7%
Veteran status		
Civilian population 18 and over	13.0%	8.6%

Households and Family Households

	Columbia County	Florida
Households		
Total households, 2000 Census	20,925	6,338,075
Family households, 2000 Census	14,919	4,210,760
% with own children under 18	45.1%	42.3%
Total households, 2010 Census	24,941	7,420,802
Family households, 2010 Census	17,122	4,835,475
% with own children under 18	39.4%	40.0%
Average Household Size, 2010 Census	2.52	2.48
Average Family Size, 2010 Census	3.00	3.01

Real Gross Domestic Product

Real GDP (Thousands of Chained 2012 Dollars)	Columbia County	Florida
2015 GDP	1,957,397	852,242,411
Percent of the State	0.2%	
2016 GDP	1,944,960	881,539,238
Percent of the State	0.2%	
2017 GDP	2,027,419	912,966,152
Percent of the State	0.2%	
2018 GDP	2,107,949	943,463,397
Percent of the State	0.2%	
2019 GDP	2,160,466	971,619,168
Percent of the State	0.2%	
2020 GDP	2,088,576	944,000,797
Percent of the State	0.2%	

Housing

Housing Counts	Columbia County	Florida
Housing units, 2020 Census	29,775	9,865,350
Occupied	26,424	8,529,067
Vacant	3,351	1,336,283

Units Permitted

Year	Columbia County	Florida
1990	278	126,384
2000	289	155,269
2010	84	38,679
2011	52	42,360
2012	47	64,810
2013	65	86,752
2014	80	84,075
2015	80	109,924
2016	104	116,240
2017	146	122,719
2018	147	144,427
2019	161	154,302
2020	194	164,074

Density

Persons per square mile	Columbia County	Florida
2000	70.9	296.4
2010	84.7	350.6
2020	87.4	401.4
2021	87.5	408.2

Residence 1 Year Ago

Persons aged 1 and over	Columbia County	Florida
Same house	81.1%	84.5%
Different house in the U.S.	18.6%	14.4%
Same county in Florida	7.8%	8.5%
Different county in Florida	8.4%	3.1%
Different county in another state	2.4%	2.8%
Abroad	0.3%	1.1%

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 preliminary	Columbia County	Florida
All industries	16,034	763,477
Natural Resource & Mining	107	5,511
Construction	2,293	77,530
Manufacturing	342	21,812
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	2,494	145,824
Information	201	13,452
Financial Activities	2,216	83,894
Professional & Business Services	4,084	187,325
Education & Health Services	1,444	87,735
Leisure and Hospitality	1,229	60,978
Other Services	1,390	56,376
Government	82	5,894

Establishments % of All Industries, 2020 preliminary	Columbia County	Florida
All industries	16,034	763,477
Natural Resource & Mining	0.7%	0.7%
Construction	14.3%	10.2%
Manufacturing	2.1%	2.9%
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	15.6%	19.1%
Information	1.3%	1.8%
Financial Activities	13.8%	11.0%
Professional & Business Services	25.5%	24.5%
Education & Health Services	9.0%	11.5%
Leisure and Hospitality	7.7%	8.0%
Other Services	8.7%	7.4%
Government	0.5%	0.8%

Average Annual Employment % of All Industries, 2020 preliminary	Columbia County	Florida
All industries	24,152	8,452,413
Natural Resource & Mining	1.0%	0.8%
Construction	4.0%	6.7%
Manufacturing	8.2%	4.5%
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	21.2%	20.6%
Information	0.3%	1.5%
Financial Activities	2.6%	6.9%
Professional & Business Services	13.2%	16.1%
Education & Health Services	14.4%	15.3%
Leisure and Hospitality	11.5%	11.9%
Other Services	1.9%	3.0%
Government	21.6%	12.5%

Average Annual Wage 2020 preliminary	Columbia County	Florida
All industries	\$41,103	\$55,845
Natural Resource & Mining	\$43,353	\$37,711
Construction	\$39,590	\$55,884
Manufacturing	\$53,679	\$66,740
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	\$39,081	\$49,378
Information	\$42,304	\$93,327
Financial Activities	\$65,923	\$84,238
Professional & Business Services	\$37,052	\$68,201
Education & Health Services	\$42,638	\$55,093
Leisure and Hospitality	\$18,393	\$45,092
Other Services	\$25,323	\$41,146
Government	\$50,435	\$58,795

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

Labor Force as Percent of Population Aged 18 and Older	Columbia County	Florida
1990	66.5%	64.5%
2000	61.4%	64.2%
2010	55.0%	61.8%
2020	53.3%	58.8%

Unemployment Rate	Columbia County	Florida
1990	8.7%	6.2%
2000	4.0%	3.8%
2010	10.8%	10.8%
2020	6.1%	3.3%

Income and Financial Health

Personal Income (\$000s)	Columbia County	Florida
1990	\$599,312	\$257,571,430
2000	\$1,093,335	\$472,851,789
2010	\$1,932,659	\$732,457,478
2011	\$2,009,882	\$771,409,454
% change 2010-11	4.0%	5.3%
2012	\$1,987,956	\$800,551,723
% change 2011-12	-1.1%	3.8%
2013	\$1,976,220	\$802,975,701
% change 2012-13	-0.6%	0.3%
2014	\$2,076,604	\$861,412,339
% change 2013-14	5.1%	7.3%
2015	\$2,179,804	\$919,834,894
% change 2014-15	5.0%	6.8%
2016	\$2,243,485	\$954,069,719
% change 2015-16	2.9%	3.7%
2017	\$2,360,037	\$1,023,131,116
% change 2016-17	5.2%	7.2%
2018	\$2,463,986	\$1,087,188,628
% change 2017-18	4.4%	6.3%
2019	\$2,554,872	\$1,139,799,293
% change 2018-19	3.7%	4.8%
2020	\$2,778,472	\$1,209,995,921
% change 2019-20	8.8%	6.2%

Per Capita Personal Income	Columbia County	Florida
1990	\$13,983	\$19,763
2000	\$19,327	\$29,466
2010	\$28,607	\$38,865
2011	\$29,853	\$40,482
% change 2010-11	4.4%	4.2%
2012	\$29,276	\$41,475
% change 2011-12	-1.9%	2.5%
2013	\$29,302	\$41,069
% change 2012-13	0.1%	-1.0%
2014	\$30,619	\$43,388
% change 2013-14	4.5%	5.6%
2015	\$31,926	\$45,493
% change 2014-15	4.3%	4.9%
2016	\$32,374	\$46,253
% change 2015-16	1.4%	1.7%
2017	\$33,690	\$48,774
% change 2016-17	4.1%	5.5%
2018	\$34,842	\$51,150
% change 2017-18	3.4%	4.9%
2019	\$35,600	\$53,034
% change 2018-19	2.2%	3.7%
2020	\$38,243	\$55,675
% change 2019-20	7.4%	5.0%

Earnings by Place of Work (\$000s)	Columbia County	Florida
1990	\$347,096	\$161,135,722
2000	\$712,287	\$308,751,767
2010	\$1,086,961	\$438,983,914
2011	\$1,086,707	\$450,498,606
% change 2010-11	0.0%	2.6%
2012	\$1,122,510	\$468,410,475
% change 2011-12	3.3%	4.0%
2013	\$1,143,162	\$482,898,301
% change 2012-13	1.8%	3.1%
2014	\$1,233,200	\$512,375,290
% change 2013-14	7.9%	6.1%
2015	\$1,335,806	\$544,408,719
% change 2014-15	8.3%	6.3%
2016	\$1,353,285	\$569,769,284
% change 2015-16	1.3%	4.7%
2017	\$1,388,566	\$603,668,170
% change 2016-17	2.6%	5.9%
2018	\$1,453,669	\$639,620,451
% change 2017-18	4.7%	6.0%
2019	\$1,523,471	\$671,553,148
% change 2018-19	4.8%	5.0%
2020	\$1,542,360	\$688,764,753
% change 2019-20	1.2%	2.6%

Median Income	Columbia County	Florida
Median Household Income	\$46,494	\$55,660
Median Family Income	\$60,910	\$67,414

Percent in Poverty, 2020	Columbia County	Florida
All ages in poverty	15.6%	12.4%
Under age 18 in poverty	22.8%	17.2%
Related children age 5-17 in families in poverty	21.8%	16.5%

Personal Bankruptcy Filing Rate (per 1,000 population)	Columbia County	Florida
12-Month Period Ending September 30, 2020	1.31	1.78
12-Month Period Ending September 30, 2021	0.77	1.45
State Rank	46	NA
NonBusiness Chapter 7 & Chapter 13		

Workers Aged 16 and Over	Columbia County	Florida
Place of Work in Florida		
Worked outside county of residence	25.9%	18.2%
Travel Time to Work		
Mean travel time to work (minutes)	24.8	27.8

Reported County Government Revenues and Expenditures

Revenue 2018-19	Columbia County	Florida*	Expenditures 2018-19	Columbia County	Florida*
Total - All Revenue Account Codes (\$000s)	\$122,177.8	\$48,723,763.0	Total - All Expenditure Account Codes (\$000s)	\$120,797.66	\$44,233,424.76
Per Capita \$	\$1,733.22	\$2,407.55	Per Capita \$	\$1,713.64	\$2,185.67
% of Total	100.0%	100.0%	% of Total	100.0%	100.0%
Taxes (\$000s)	\$35,289.9	\$16,114,573.3	General Government Services** (\$000s)	\$10,650.05	\$7,462,947.96
Per Capita \$	\$500.62	\$796.26	Per Capita \$	\$151.08	\$368.76
% of Total	28.9%	33.1%	% of Total	8.8%	16.9%
Permits, Fee, and Special Assessments (\$000s)	\$10,138.1	\$2,274,184.8	Public Safety (\$000s)	\$32,262.32	\$10,847,409.29
Per Capita \$	\$143.82	\$112.37	Per Capita \$	\$457.67	\$535.99
% of Total	8.3%	4.7%	% of Total	26.7%	24.5%
Intergovernmental Revenues (\$000s)	\$17,800.5	\$5,241,885.1	Physical Environment (\$000s)	\$9,644.44	\$5,318,683.90
Per Capita \$	\$252.52	\$259.01	Per Capita \$	\$136.82	\$262.81
% of Total	14.6%	10.8%	% of Total	8.0%	12.0%
Charges for Services (\$000s)	\$11,073.8	\$14,324,919.1	Transportation (\$000s)	\$13,476.43	\$5,298,301.67
Per Capita \$	\$157.09	\$707.83	Per Capita \$	\$191.18	\$261.80
% of Total	9.1%	29.4%	% of Total	11.2%	12.0%
Judgments, Fines, and Forfeits (\$000s)	\$195.9	\$196,108.5	Economic Environment (\$000s)	\$1,856.54	\$1,655,038.81
Per Capita \$	\$2.78	\$9.69	Per Capita \$	\$26.34	\$81.78
% of Total	0.2%	0.4%	% of Total	1.5%	3.7%
Miscellaneous Revenues (\$000s)	\$2,772.1	\$1,713,370.3	Human Services (\$000s)	\$2,693.32	\$3,755,466.15
Per Capita \$	\$39.33	\$84.66	Per Capita \$	\$38.21	\$185.57
% of Total	2.3%	3.5%	% of Total	2.2%	8.5%
Other Sources (\$000s)	\$44,907.5	\$8,858,722.0	Culture / Recreation (\$000s)	\$2,862.44	\$1,814,978.48
Per Capita \$	\$637.06	\$437.73	Per Capita \$	\$40.61	\$89.68
% of Total	36.8%	18.2%	% of Total	2.4%	4.1%
			Other Uses and Non-Operating (\$000s)	\$44,907.48	\$7,163,763.98
			Per Capita \$	\$637.06	\$353.98
			% of Total	37.2%	16.2%
			Court-Related Expenditures (\$000s)	\$2,444.64	\$916,834.54
			Per Capita \$	\$34.68	\$45.30
			% of Total	2.0%	2.1%

* 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	Columbia County	Florida
Crime rate, 2020 (index crimes per 100,000 population)	2,618.3	2,152.3
Admissions to prison FY 2019-20	252	21,276
Admissions to prison per 100,000 population FY 2019-20	361.0	97.2

Health Insurance Status

Percent Insured by Age Group	Columbia County	Florida
Under 65 years	85.8%	83.6%
Under 19 years	93.2%	92.4%
18 to 64 years	82.7%	80.6%

State Infrastructure

Transportation	Columbia County	Florida
State Highway Centerline Miles	203.3	12,135.8
Lane Miles	626.7	45,111.7
State Bridges Number	72	7,079

State Facilities

Buildings/Facilities (min. 300 Square Feet) Number	216	9,426
Square Footage	1,235,666	65,539,144

Conservation Land (land acres only)

State-Owned (includes partially-owned)	16,502	5,478,547
% of Total Conservation Land (CL)	11.1%	51.8%
% of Total Area Land	3.2%	16.0%
% of Florida State-Owned CL	0.3%	

State-Managed	28,408	5,627,174
% of Total Conservation Land (CL)	19.1%	53.2%
% of Total Area Land	5.6%	16.4%
% of Florida State-Managed CL	0.5%	

State and Local Taxation

2020 Ad Valorem Millage Rates	Columbia County	Florida
County	8.0150	
School	6.0290	
Municipal		1.3975
Special Districts	0.3697	

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

Education

Public Education Schools Traditional Setting (2020-21)	Columbia County School District	Florida
Total (state total includes special districts)	16	3,744
Elementary	10	1,883
Middle	2	573
Senior High	2	715
Combination	2	573

Educational attainment

Persons aged 25 and older	Columbia County	Florida
% HS graduate or higher	86.1%	88.2%
% bachelor's degree or higher	14.9%	29.9%

