

DeSoto County

Florida's 48th most populous county
with 0.2% of Florida's population



Population

Census Population	DeSoto County	Florida
1980 Census	19,039	9,746,961
1990 Census	23,865	12,938,071
% change 1980-90	25.3%	32.7%
2000 Census	32,209	15,982,824
% change 1990-00	35.0%	23.5%
2010 Census	34,862	18,801,332
% change 2000-10	8.2%	17.6%
Age		
% Under 18 years of age	22.5%	21.3%
% 65 years of age and over	17.9%	17.3%
Race & Ethnicity		
% White alone	66.2%	75.0%
% Black or African American alone	12.7%	16.0%
% Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	29.9%	22.5%
Estimates and Projections		
2019 Estimate	36,065	21,208,589
% change 2010-19	3.5%	12.8%
2020 Projection based on 2019 estimate	36,332	21,555,986
% change 2019-20	0.7%	1.6%
2025 Projection based on 2019 estimate	37,454	23,130,870
% change 2020-25	3.1%	7.3%
2018 Median Age	39.4	41.7

Density	DeSoto County	Florida
Persons per square mile		
2000	50.5	296.4
2010	54.7	350.6
2019	56.6	399.7

Population Characteristics

	DeSoto County	Florida
Language spoken at home other than English		
Persons aged 5 and over	29.7%	29.1%
Place of birth		
Foreign born	16.5%	20.5%
Veteran status		
Civilian population 18 and over	7.6%	8.9%

Households and Family Households

Households	DeSoto County	Florida
Total households, 2000 Census	10,746	6,338,075
Family households, 2000 Census	7,676	4,210,760
% with own children under 18	37.2%	42.3%
Total households, 2010 Census	11,445	7,420,802
Family households, 2010 Census	7,903	4,835,475
% with own children under 18	38.7%	40.0%
Average Household Size, 2010 Census	2.71	2.48
Average Family Size, 2010 Census	3.10	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 by Industry

Number of Establishments	DeSoto County	Florida
2019 preliminary		
All industries	691	728,687
Natural Resource & Mining	93	5,301
Construction	117	75,725
Manufacturing	17	20,782
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	131	140,766
Information	5	11,897
Financial Activities	34	77,987
Professional & Business Services	90	174,242
Education & Health Services	50	77,515
Leisure and Hospitality	61	59,068
Other Services	49	57,596
Government	38	6,044

Real Gross Domestic Product

Real GDP	DeSoto County	Florida
(Thousands of Chained 2012 Dollars)		
2015 GDP	828,679	839,124,321
Percent of the State	0.1%	
2016 GDP	832,295	866,730,997
Percent of the State	0.1%	
2017 GDP	897,169	896,117,037
Percent of the State	0.1%	
2018 GDP	828,489	924,873,329
Percent of the State	0.1%	

Housing

Housing Counts	DeSoto County	Florida
Housing units, 2000 Census	13,608	7,302,947
Occupied	10,746	6,337,929
Owner-occupied	8,032	4,441,799
Renter-occupied	2,714	1,896,130
Vacant	2,862	965,018
Housing units, 2010 Census	14,590	8,989,580
Occupied	11,445	7,420,802
Owner-occupied	8,237	4,998,979
Renter-occupied	3,208	2,421,823
Vacant	3,145	1,568,778

Units Permitted	DeSoto County	Florida
1990	138	126,384
2000	121	155,269
2010	96	38,679
2011	95	42,360
2012	99	64,810
2013	117	86,752
2014	112	84,075
2015	118	109,924
2016	71	116,240
2017	79	122,719
2018	88	144,427
2019	127	154,302

Residence 1 Year Ago	DeSoto County	Florida
Persons aged 1 and over		
Same house	87.1%	84.3%
Different house in the U.S.	11.5%	14.6%
Same county in Florida	4.1%	8.7%
Different county in Florida	5.4%	3.1%
Different county in another state	2.0%	2.8%
Abroad	1.4%	1.1%

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

Employment by Industry

Average Annual Employment, % of All Industries, 2019 preliminary

	DeSoto County	Florida
All industries	9,252	8,878,680
Natural Resource & Mining	11.9%	0.8%
Construction	7.6%	6.3%
Manufacturing	3.6%	4.3%
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	26.6%	20.3%
Information	NA	1.6%
Financial Activities	2.0%	6.6%
Professional & Business Services	5.4%	15.7%
Education & Health Services	9.4%	14.9%
Leisure and Hospitality	8.7%	14.2%
Other Services	1.4%	3.2%
Government	22.1%	12.1%

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Average Annual Wage 2019 preliminary

	DeSoto County	Florida
All industries	\$37,961	\$51,761
Natural Resource & Mining	\$31,495	\$35,649
Construction	\$42,402	\$52,926
Manufacturing	\$67,318	\$63,883
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	\$35,964	\$46,237
Information	NA	\$86,109
Financial Activities	\$42,115	\$77,030
Professional & Business Services	\$37,970	\$63,747
Education & Health Services	\$43,558	\$52,050
Leisure and Hospitality	\$20,213	\$26,681
Other Services	\$29,286	\$37,972
Government	\$42,888	\$55,897

Labor Force

Labor Force as Percent of Population Aged 18 and Older

	DeSoto County	Florida
1990	53.7%	64.3%
2000	53.3%	63.7%
2010	48.4%	62.2%
2019	50.1%	61.2%

Unemployment Rate

	DeSoto County	Florida
1990	7.2%	6.1%
2000	4.5%	3.7%
2010	12.2%	11.1%
2019	3.5%	3.1%

Income and Financial Health

Personal Income (\$000s)

	DeSoto County	Florida
1990	\$362,381	\$257,571,430
2000	\$557,698	\$472,238,563
2010	\$767,033	\$725,074,023
2011	\$783,538	\$764,633,664
% change 2010-11	2.2%	5.5%
2012	\$760,299	\$793,428,830
% change 2011-12	-3.0%	3.8%
2013	\$740,475	\$795,424,889
% change 2012-13	-2.6%	0.3%
2014	\$797,266	\$856,161,682
% change 2013-14	7.7%	7.6%
2015	\$840,829	\$915,895,494
% change 2014-15	5.5%	7.0%
2016	\$843,926	\$942,461,242
% change 2015-16	0.4%	2.9%
2017	\$889,180	\$1,004,144,269
% change 2016-17	5.4%	6.5%
2018	\$885,123	\$1,066,446,916
% change 2017-18	-0.5%	6.2%

Per Capita Personal Income

	DeSoto County	Florida
1990	\$15,040	\$19,763
2000	\$17,322	\$29,428
2010	\$21,957	\$38,474
2011	\$22,489	\$40,047
% change 2010-11	2.4%	4.1%
2012	\$21,719	\$41,055
% change 2011-12	-3.4%	2.5%
2013	\$21,214	\$40,659
% change 2012-13	-2.3%	-1.0%
2014	\$22,557	\$43,109
% change 2013-14	6.3%	6.0%
2015	\$23,586	\$45,287
% change 2014-15	4.6%	5.1%
2016	\$23,274	\$45,684
% change 2015-16	-1.3%	0.9%
2017	\$23,869	\$47,869
% change 2016-17	2.6%	4.8%
2018	\$23,610	\$50,070
% change 2017-18	-1.1%	4.6%

Earnings by Place of Work (\$000s)

	DeSoto County	Florida
1990	\$221,265	\$161,135,722
2000	\$341,261	\$308,751,767
2010	\$488,896	\$438,991,235
2011	\$488,105	\$450,502,115
% change 2010-11	-0.2%	2.6%
2012	\$472,881	\$468,412,894
% change 2011-12	-3.1%	4.0%
2013	\$476,609	\$482,900,406
% change 2012-13	0.8%	3.1%
2014	\$505,267	\$512,381,351
% change 2013-14	6.0%	6.1%
2015	\$533,867	\$545,198,370
% change 2014-15	5.7%	6.4%
2016	\$524,074	\$568,197,880
% change 2015-16	-1.8%	4.2%
2017	\$575,026	\$601,927,042
% change 2016-17	9.7%	5.9%
2018	\$549,733	\$634,065,871
% change 2017-18	-4.4%	5.3%

Median Income

	DeSoto County	Florida
Median Household Income	\$35,057	\$53,267
Median Family Income	\$41,291	\$64,312

Percent in Poverty, 2018

	DeSoto County	Florida
All ages in poverty	26.1%	13.7%
Under age 18 in poverty	34.5%	20.0%
Related children age 5-17 in families in poverty	34.0%	18.8%

Health Insurance Status

Percent Insured by Age Group

	DeSoto County	Florida
Under 65 years	75.4%	83.9%
Under 19 years	90.2%	92.4%
18 to 64 years	70.2%	80.8%

Education

Public Education Schools

	DeSoto County School District	Florida
Traditional Setting (2019-20)		
Total (state total includes special districts)	8	3,721
Elementary	4	1,878
Middle	1	575
Senior High	1	713
Combination	2	555

Educational attainment

	DeSoto County	Florida
Persons aged 25 and older		
% HS graduate or higher	72.7%	88.0%
% bachelor's degree or higher	11.4%	29.2%

Personal Bankruptcy Filing Rate

	DeSoto County	Florida
(per 1,000 population)		
12-Month Period Ending Jun. 30, 2019	0.92	2.07
12-Month Period Ending Jun. 30, 2020	0.96	1.89
State Rank	50	NA

NonBusiness Chapter 7 & Chapter 13

Quality of Life

Crime

	DeSoto County	Florida
Crime rate, 2019 (index crimes per 100,000 population)	2,154.4	2,551.1
Admissions to prison FY 2018-19	145	28,782
Admissions to prison per 100,000 population FY 2018-19	402.1	135.7

Workers Aged 16 and Over

	DeSoto County	Florida
Place of Work in Florida		
Worked outside county of residence	18.7%	17.7%
Travel Time to Work		
Mean travel time to work (minutes)	24.7	27.4

Reported County Government Revenues and Expenditures

Revenue 2017-18	DeSoto County	Florida*	Expenditures 2017-18	DeSoto County	Florida*
Total - All Revenue Account Codes (\$000s)	\$60,161.4	\$44,214,365.8	Total - All Expenditure Account Codes (\$000s)	\$59,072.04	\$41,792,449.68
Per Capita \$	\$1,693.73	\$2,223.20	Per Capita \$	\$1,663.06	\$2,101.42
% of Total	100.0%	100.0%	% of Total	100.0%	100.0%
Taxes (\$000s)	\$21,239.2	\$14,725,283.7	General Government Services** (\$000s)	\$11,375.70	\$7,105,044.04
Per Capita \$	\$597.95	\$740.42	Per Capita \$	\$320.26	\$357.26
% of Total	35.3%	33.3%	% of Total	19.3%	17.0%
Permits, Fee, and Special Assessments (\$000s)	\$4,836.2	\$2,064,228.9	Public Safety (\$000s)	\$18,508.68	\$10,202,428.55
Per Capita \$	\$136.15	\$103.79	Per Capita \$	\$521.08	\$513.00
% of Total	8.0%	4.7%	% of Total	31.3%	24.4%
Intergovernmental Revenues (\$000s)	\$11,684.1	\$4,552,371.7	Physical Environment (\$000s)	\$7,158.07	\$4,910,992.05
Per Capita \$	\$328.94	\$228.90	Per Capita \$	\$201.52	\$246.94
% of Total	19.4%	10.3%	% of Total	12.1%	11.8%
Charges for Services (\$000s)	\$11,221.5	\$13,745,670.4	Transportation (\$000s)	\$8,083.32	\$5,056,604.18
Per Capita \$	\$315.92	\$691.16	Per Capita \$	\$227.57	\$254.26
% of Total	18.7%	31.1%	% of Total	13.7%	12.1%
Judgments, Fines, and Forfeits (\$000s)	\$116.7	\$198,680.9	Economic Environment (\$000s)	\$1,229.76	\$1,566,748.75
Per Capita \$	\$3.29	\$9.99	Per Capita \$	\$34.62	\$78.78
% of Total	0.2%	0.4%	% of Total	2.1%	3.7%
Miscellaneous Revenues (\$000s)	\$846.3	\$1,189,350.3	Human Services (\$000s)	\$1,722.38	\$3,545,609.16
Per Capita \$	\$23.82	\$59.80	Per Capita \$	\$48.49	\$178.28
% of Total	1.4%	2.7%	% of Total	2.9%	8.5%
Other Sources (\$000s)	\$10,217.5	\$7,738,780.0	Culture / Recreation (\$000s)	\$1,229.26	\$1,704,980.28
Per Capita \$	\$287.65	\$389.12	Per Capita \$	\$34.61	\$85.73
% of Total	17.0%	17.5%	% of Total	2.1%	4.1%
			Other Uses and Non-Operating (\$000s)	\$8,553.70	\$6,807,083.14
			Per Capita \$	\$240.81	\$342.28
			% of Total	14.5%	16.3%
			Court-Related Expenditures (\$000s)	\$1,211.18	\$892,959.54
			Per Capita \$	\$34.10	\$44.90
			% of Total	2.1%	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)

State Infrastructure

	DeSoto County	Florida
Transportation		
State Highway		
Centerline Miles	82.9	12,128.1
Lane Miles	217.6	45,030.3
State Bridges		
Number	28	7,044
State Facilities		
Buildings/Facilities (min. 300 Square Feet)		
Number	204	9,630
Square Footage	1,545,027	66,989,245
Conservation Land (land acres only)		
State-Owned (includes partially-owned)	12,854	5,383,024
% of Total Conservation Land (CL)	25.2%	51.6%
% of Total Area Land	3.2%	15.7%
% of Florida State-Owned CL	0.2%	
State-Managed	45,829	5,486,474
% of Total Conservation Land (CL)	89.9%	52.6%
% of Total Area Land	11.3%	16.0%
% of Florida State-Managed CL	0.8%	

State and Local Taxation

2019 Ad Valorem Millage Rates	DeSoto County	
	County-Wide	Not County-Wide*
County	8.5060	2.1882
School	6.0460	
Municipal		0.9858
Special Districts	0.2801	

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

