

Highlands County

Florida's 36th most populous county
with 0.5% of Florida's population



Population

	Highlands County	Florida
Census Population		
1980 Census	47,526	9,746,961
1990 Census	68,432	12,938,071
% change 1980-90	44.0%	32.7%
2000 Census	87,366	15,982,824
% change 1990-00	27.7%	23.5%
2010 Census	98,786	18,801,332
% change 2000-10	13.1%	17.6%
Age		
% Under 18 years of age	18.2%	21.3%
% 65 years of age and over	32.2%	17.3%
Race & Ethnicity		
% White alone	81.0%	75.0%
% Black or African American alone	9.4%	16.0%
% Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	17.4%	22.5%
Estimates and Projections		
2017 Estimate	102,138	20,484,142
% change 2010-17	3.4%	9.0%
2020 Projection based on 2016 estimate	105,353	21,438,743
% change 2016-20	3.1%	4.7%
2025 Projection based on 2016 estimate	109,616	22,943,880
% change 2020-25	4.0%	7.0%
2016 Median Age	53.4	41.6

Density

	Highlands County	Florida
Persons per square mile		
2000	85.0	296.4
2010	97.2	350.6
2017	100.5	382.0

Households and Family Households

	Highlands County	Florida
Households		
Total households, 2000 Census	37,471	6,338,075
Family households, 2000 Census	25,794	4,210,760
% with own children under 18	29.0%	42.3%
Total households, 2010 Census	42,604	7,420,802
Family households, 2010 Census	28,027	4,835,475
% with own children under 18	28.4%	40.0%
Average Household Size, 2010 Census	2.28	2.48
Average Family Size, 2010 Census	2.74	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).

Number of Establishments

	Highlands County	Florida
2016 preliminary		
All industries	2,271	670,061
Natural Resource & Mining	186	5,368
Construction	253	66,377
Manufacturing	67	20,584
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	485	141,643
Information	25	10,923
Financial Activities	214	71,938
Professional & Business Services	306	154,679
Education & Health Services	306	71,153
Leisure and Hospitality	189	55,437
Other Services	178	54,912
Government	62	6,137

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

Housing

	Highlands County	Florida
Housing Counts		
Housing units, 2000 Census	48,846	7,302,947
Occupied	37,471	6,337,929
Owner-occupied	29,853	4,441,799
Renter-occupied	7,618	1,896,130
Vacant	11,375	965,018
Housing units, 2010 Census	55,386	8,989,580
Occupied	42,604	7,420,802
Owner-occupied	32,830	4,998,979
Renter-occupied	9,774	2,421,823
Vacant	12,782	1,568,778
Units Permitted		
1990	847	126,384
2000	450	155,269
2010	154	38,679
2011	77	42,360
2012	32	64,810
2013	62	86,752
2014	92	84,075
2015	162	109,924
2016	128	116,240

Population Characteristics

	Highlands County	Florida
Language spoken at home other than English		
Persons aged 5 and over	18.6% +/- 0.8%	28.1% +/- 0.1%
Place of birth		
Foreign born	10.3% +/- 0.9%	19.7% +/- 0.1%
Veteran status		
Civilian population 18 and over	15.2% +/- 0.7%	9.7% +/- 0.1%
Residence 1 Year Ago		
Persons aged 1 and over		
Same house	83.9% +/- 1.2%	83.8% +/- 0.1%
Different house in the U.S.	15.1% +/- 1.2%	15.2% +/- 0.1%
Same county in Florida	8.8% +/- 1.1%	9.4% +/- 0.1%
Different county in Florida	2.9% +/- 0.6%	3.1% +/- 0.1%
Different county in another state	3.3% +/- 0.5%	2.8% +/- 0.1%
Abroad	1.1% +/- 0.5%	0.9% +/- 0.1%

+/- = margin of error based on a 90% confidence level.

Employment by Industry

	Highlands County	Florida
Percent of All Establishments		
2016 preliminary		
All industries	2,271	670,061
Natural Resource & Mining	8.2%	0.8%
Construction	11.1%	9.9%
Manufacturing	3.0%	3.1%
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	21.4%	21.1%
Information	1.1%	1.6%
Financial Activities	9.4%	10.7%
Professional & Business Services	13.5%	23.1%
Education & Health Services	13.5%	10.6%
Leisure and Hospitality	8.3%	8.3%
Other Services	7.8%	8.2%
Government	2.7%	0.9%

Employment by Industry

Average Annual Employment, % of All Industries, 2016 preliminary	Highlands County	Florida	Average Annual Wage 2016 preliminary	Highlands County	Florida
All industries	27,360	8,309,088	All industries	\$32,849	\$47,060
Natural Resource & Mining	8.7%	0.9%	Natural Resource & Mining	\$27,615	\$31,501
Construction	4.5%	5.7%	Construction	\$33,253	\$47,342
Manufacturing	2.6%	4.3%	Manufacturing	\$36,924	\$57,824
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	20.1%	20.6%	Trade, Transportation and Utilities	\$28,248	\$41,939
Information	0.6%	1.6%	Information	\$46,032	\$77,256
Financial Activities	3.0%	6.5%	Financial Activities	\$40,883	\$69,701
Professional & Business Services	10.0%	15.5%	Professional & Business Services	\$32,022	\$56,930
Education & Health Services	21.8%	14.8%	Education & Health Services	\$42,706	\$48,616
Leisure and Hospitality	11.2%	14.1%	Leisure and Hospitality	\$16,099	\$24,399
Other Services	2.2%	3.3%	Other Services	\$23,924	\$33,996
Government	15.3%	12.6%	Government	\$39,047	\$52,022

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Labor Force

Labor Force as Percent of Population Aged 18 and Older	Highlands County	Florida	Unemployment Rate	Highlands County	Florida
1990	46.8%	64.3%	1990	9.0%	6.1%
2000	47.0%	63.7%	2000	4.8%	3.7%
2010	46.1%	62.2%	2010	12.5%	11.1%
2016	43.0%	61.4%	2016	6.6%	4.9%

Income and Financial Health

Personal Income (\$000s)	Highlands County	Florida	Per Capita Personal Income	Highlands County	Florida
1990	\$1,142,723	\$260,093,568	1990	\$16,504	\$19,956
2000	\$1,829,589	\$477,315,998	2000	\$20,929	\$29,744
% change 1990-2000	60.1%	83.5%	% change 1990-00	26.8%	49.0%
2010	\$2,849,577	\$728,063,852	2010	\$28,881	\$38,624
% change 2000-10	55.7%	52.5%	% change 2000-10	38.0%	29.9%
2011	\$2,927,112	\$773,315,948	2011	\$29,782	\$40,476
% change 2010-11	2.7%	6.2%	% change 2010-11	3.1%	4.8%
2012	\$2,917,349	\$793,103,892	2012	\$29,769	\$40,983
% change 2011-12	-0.3%	2.6%	% change 2011-12	0.0%	1.3%
2013	\$2,913,165	\$798,885,890	2013	\$29,799	\$40,771
% change 2012-13	-0.1%	0.7%	% change 2012-13	0.1%	-0.5%
2014	\$3,022,055	\$853,317,759	2014	\$30,805	\$42,868
% change 2013-14	3.7%	6.8%	% change 2013-14	3.4%	5.1%
2015	\$3,178,685	\$900,636,248	2015	\$31,949	\$44,429
% change 2014-15	5.2%	5.5%	% change 2014-15	3.7%	3.6%

Earnings by Place of Work (\$000s)

1990	\$518,825	\$161,317,329
2000	\$819,910	\$313,054,047
% change 1990-2000	58.0%	94.1%
2010	\$1,268,829	\$437,064,465
% change 2000-10	54.8%	39.6%
2011	\$1,279,954	\$447,731,548
% change 2010-11	0.9%	2.4%
2012	\$1,322,639	\$465,347,164
% change 2011-12	3.3%	3.9%
2013	\$1,313,654	\$479,490,070
% change 2012-13	-0.7%	3.0%
2014	\$1,329,514	\$508,051,449
% change 2013-14	1.2%	6.0%
2015	\$1,412,824	\$544,852,833
% change 2014-15	6.3%	7.2%

Median Income

Median Household Income	\$35,093 +/- \$1,209	\$47,507 +/- \$202
Median Family Income	\$42,321 +/- \$1,541	\$57,504 +/- \$300

+/- = margin of error based on a 90% confidence level.

Percent in Poverty, 2015

All ages in poverty	22.9%	15.8%
Under age 18 in poverty	38.1%	23.4%
Ages 5-17 in families in poverty	37.6%	22.0%

Education

Personal Bankruptcy Filing Rate (per 1,000 population)

	Highlands County	Florida
12-Month Period Ending March 31, 2016	1.47	2.55
12-Month Period Ending March 31, 2017	1.50	2.10
State Rank	30	NA

Chapter 7 & Chapter 13

Public Education Schools Traditional Setting (2016-17)

Highlands County School District	Florida
Total (state total includes special districts)	3,245
Elementary	1,931
Middle	591
Senior High	723
Combination	472

Quality of Life

Crime	Highlands County	Florida
Crime rate, 2016 (index crimes per 100,000 population)	2,948.9	3,181.4
Admissions to prison FY 2015-16	200	30,289
Admissions to prison per 100,000 population FY 2015-16	200.4	155.3

Educational attainment Persons aged 25 and older

	Highlands County	Florida
% HS graduate or higher	82.6% +/- 1.1%	86.9% +/- 0.1%
% bachelor's degree or higher	16.7% +/- 1.1%	27.3% +/- 0.2%

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Workers Aged 16 and Over

Place of Work in Florida	Highlands County	Florida
Worked outside county of residence	11.2% +/- 1.8%	17.5% +/- 0.1%
Travel Time to Work		
Mean travel time to work (minutes)	20.9 +/- 0.9	26.4 +/- 0.1

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Reported County Government Revenues and Expenditures

Revenue 2014-15	Highlands County	Florida*	Expenditures 2014-15	Highlands County	Florida*
Total - All Revenue Account Codes (\$000s)	\$134,269.0	\$39,173,950.7	Total - All Expenditure Account Codes (\$000s)	\$113,533.74	\$37,648,543.60
Per Capita \$	\$1,332.72	\$2,071.64	Per Capita \$	\$1,126.91	\$1,990.97
% of Total	100.0%	100.0%	% of Total	84.6%	96.1%
Taxes (\$000s)	\$51,319.8	\$12,048,064.2	General Government Services** (\$000s)	\$30,647.53	\$6,826,642.19
Per Capita \$	\$509.39	\$637.14	Per Capita \$	\$304.20	\$361.01
% of Total	38.2%	30.8%	% of Total	22.8%	17.4%
Permits, Fee, and Special Assessments (\$000s)	\$7,322.5	\$1,603,417.1	Public Safety (\$000s)	\$40,508.12	\$8,691,656.62
Per Capita \$	\$72.68	\$84.79	Per Capita \$	\$402.07	\$459.64
% of Total	5.5%	4.1%	% of Total	30.2%	22.2%
Intergovernmental Revenues (\$000s)	\$20,113.8	\$3,997,485.2	Physical Environment (\$000s)	\$11,318.65	\$4,201,869.90
Per Capita \$	\$199.64	\$211.40	Per Capita \$	\$112.35	\$222.21
% of Total	15.0%	10.2%	% of Total	8.4%	10.7%
Charges for Services (\$000s)	\$15,573.0	\$12,014,816.2	Transportation (\$000s)	\$14,612.19	\$4,472,600.28
Per Capita \$	\$154.57	\$635.38	Per Capita \$	\$145.04	\$236.53
% of Total	11.6%	30.7%	% of Total	10.9%	11.4%
Judgments, Fines, and Forfeits (\$000s)	\$728.0	\$213,460.3	Economic Environment (\$000s)	\$3,276.21	\$1,274,070.27
Per Capita \$	\$7.23	\$11.29	Per Capita \$	\$32.52	\$67.38
% of Total	0.5%	0.5%	% of Total	2.4%	3.3%
Miscellaneous Revenues (\$000s)	\$14,425.5	\$924,478.7	Human Services (\$000s)	\$4,746.71	\$3,046,122.82
Per Capita \$	\$143.18	\$48.89	Per Capita \$	\$47.11	\$161.09
% of Total	10.7%	2.4%	% of Total	3.5%	7.8%
Other Sources (\$000s)	\$24,786.4	\$8,372,229.2	Culture / Recreation (\$000s)	\$2,864.23	\$1,462,898.42
Per Capita \$	\$246.02	\$442.75	Per Capita \$	\$28.43	\$77.36
% of Total	18.5%	21.4%	% of Total	2.1%	3.7%
			Other Uses and Non-Operating (\$000s)	\$1,186.44	\$6,734,703.84
			Per Capita \$	\$11.78	\$356.15
			% of Total	0.9%	17.2%
			Court-Related Expenditures (\$000s)	\$4,373.66	\$937,979.28
			Per Capita \$	\$43.41	\$49.60
			% of Total	3.3%	2.4%

* 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

	Highlands County	Florida
Transportation		
State Highway		
Centerline Miles	132.5	12,109.9
Lane Miles	397.8	43,819.1
State Bridges		
Number	24	6,783
State Facilities		
Buildings/Facilities (min. 300 Square Feet)		
Number	69	9,319
Square Footage	102,687	63,971,860
State Owned Lands		
State Lands		
Conservation Lands		
Parcels	3,522	38,326
Acreage	28,024.1	3,140,422.9
Non-Conservation Lands		
Parcels	35	5,880
Acreage	1,310.6	160,353.7

State and Local Taxation

2016 Ad Valorem Millage Rates	Highlands County	
	County-Wide	Not County-Wide*
County	8.5500	
School	6.9560	
Municipal		0.7376
Special Districts		0.3337

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



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