

Lee County

Florida's 8th most populous county
with 3.6% of Florida's population



Population

Census Population	Lee County	Florida
1980 Census	205,266	9,746,961
1990 Census	335,113	12,938,071
2000 Census	440,888	15,982,824
2010 Census	618,754	18,801,332
2020 Census	760,822	21,538,187
% change 2010-2020	23.0%	14.6%
Age		
% Under 18 years of age	17.4%	19.5%
Race (alone) & Ethnicity		
% Not Hispanic-White	64.5%	51.5%
% Not Hispanic-Black or African American	7.4%	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	0.5%	0.6%
% Not Hispanic-Two or More Races	3.0%	3.7%
% Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	22.8%	26.5%
Household Population per Occupied Housing Unit	2.35	2.47
Estimates and Projections		
2021 Estimate	782,579	21,898,945
Based on 2020 Estimate		
2025	829,303	23,138,553
2030	894,597	24,419,127
2035	948,834	25,461,863
2040	996,086	26,356,415
2045	1,038,511	27,149,835
2020 Median Age	46.7	41.8

Population Characteristics

	Lee County	Florida
Language spoken at home other than English		
Persons aged 5 and over	22.9%	29.4%
Place of birth		
Foreign born	16.7%	20.7%
Veteran status		
Civilian population 18 and over	9.5%	8.6%

Households and Family Households

Households	Lee County	Florida
Total households, 2000 Census	188,599	6,338,075
Family households, 2000 Census	127,611	4,210,760
% with own children under 18	33.1%	42.3%
Total households, 2010 Census	259,818	7,420,802
Family households, 2010 Census	171,026	4,835,475
% with own children under 18	33.9%	40.0%
Average Household Size, 2010 Census	2.35	2.48
Average Family Size, 2010 Census	2.81	3.01

Real Gross Domestic Product

Real GDP (Thousands of Chained 2012 Dollars)	Lee County	Florida
2015 GDP	25,739,463	852,242,411
Percent of the State	3.0%	
2016 GDP	27,623,624	881,539,238
Percent of the State	3.1%	
2017 GDP	28,267,947	912,966,152
Percent of the State	3.1%	
2018 GDP	29,219,725	943,463,397
Percent of the State	3.1%	
2019 GDP	29,723,883	971,619,168
Percent of the State	3.1%	
2020 GDP	29,010,141	944,000,797
Percent of the State	3.1%	

Housing

Housing Counts	Lee County	Florida
Housing units, 2020 Census	416,332	9,865,350
Occupied	318,303	8,529,067
Vacant	98,029	1,336,283
Units Permitted		
1990	4,915	126,384
2000	9,120	155,269
2010	1,276	38,679
2011	1,587	42,360
2012	2,043	64,810
2013	3,176	86,752
2014	4,095	84,075
2015	6,879	109,924
2016	5,417	116,240
2017	6,954	122,719
2018	9,721	144,427
2019	9,105	154,302
2020	10,673	164,074
Density		
Persons per square mile		
2000	548.6	296.4
2010	788.7	350.6
2020	974.2	401.4
2021	1,002.0	408.2
Residence 1 Year Ago		
Persons aged 1 and over		
Same house	85.6%	84.5%
Different house in the U.S.	13.6%	14.4%
Same county in Florida	7.8%	8.5%
Different county in Florida	1.9%	3.1%
Different county in another state	3.9%	2.8%
Abroad	0.8%	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	Lee County	Florida
All industries	24,849	763,477
Natural Resource & Mining	111	5,511
Construction	3,882	77,530
Manufacturing	600	21,812
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	4,353	145,824
Information	315	13,452
Financial Activities	3,141	83,894
Professional & Business Services	5,531	187,325
Education & Health Services	2,386	87,735
Leisure and Hospitality	2,187	60,978
Other Services	1,912	56,376
Government	180	5,894

Establishments % of All Industries, 2020 preliminary	Lee County	Florida
All industries	24,849	763,477
Natural Resource & Mining	0.4%	0.7%
Construction	15.6%	10.2%
Manufacturing	2.4%	2.9%
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	17.5%	19.1%
Information	1.3%	1.8%
Financial Activities	12.6%	11.0%
Professional & Business Services	22.3%	24.5%
Education & Health Services	9.6%	11.5%
Leisure and Hospitality	8.8%	8.0%
Other Services	7.7%	7.4%
Government	0.7%	0.8%

Average Annual Employment % of All Industries, 2020 preliminary	Lee County	Florida
All industries	258,214	8,452,413
Natural Resource & Mining	0.7%	0.8%
Construction	12.3%	6.7%
Manufacturing	2.5%	4.5%
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	20.1%	20.6%
Information	1.0%	1.5%
Financial Activities	5.0%	6.9%
Professional & Business Services	13.0%	16.1%
Education & Health Services	11.7%	15.3%
Leisure and Hospitality	14.3%	11.9%
Other Services	3.2%	3.0%
Government	16.3%	12.5%

Average Annual Wage 2020 preliminary	Lee County	Florida
All industries	\$49,758	\$55,845
Natural Resource & Mining	\$38,132	\$37,711
Construction	\$52,145	\$55,884
Manufacturing	\$56,291	\$66,740
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	\$41,207	\$49,378
Information	\$73,874	\$93,327
Financial Activities	\$70,747	\$84,238
Professional & Business Services	\$59,118	\$68,201
Education & Health Services	\$58,647	\$55,093
Leisure and Hospitality	\$27,826	\$45,092
Other Services	\$37,763	\$41,146
Government	\$57,833	\$58,795

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

Labor Force as Percent of Population Aged 18 and Older	Lee County	Florida
1990	57.9%	64.5%
2000	59.1%	64.2%
2010	56.9%	61.8%
2020	56.4%	58.8%

Unemployment Rate	Lee County	Florida
1990	4.0%	6.2%
2000	3.3%	3.8%
2010	12.5%	10.8%
2020	7.3%	3.3%

Income and Financial Health

Personal Income (\$000s)	Lee County	Florida
1990	\$6,807,498	\$257,571,430
2000	\$12,779,956	\$472,851,789
2010	\$24,629,058	\$732,457,478
2011	\$26,487,133	\$771,409,454
% change 2010-11	7.5%	5.3%
2012	\$27,325,128	\$800,551,723
% change 2011-12	3.2%	3.8%
2013	\$27,819,048	\$802,975,701
% change 2012-13	1.8%	0.3%
2014	\$30,584,461	\$861,412,339
% change 2013-14	9.9%	7.3%
2015	\$33,018,009	\$919,834,894
% change 2014-15	8.0%	6.8%
2016	\$35,421,492	\$954,069,719
% change 2015-16	7.3%	3.7%
2017	\$37,426,984	\$1,023,131,116
% change 2016-17	5.7%	7.2%
2018	\$39,285,013	\$1,087,188,628
% change 2017-18	5.0%	6.3%
2019	\$40,800,215	\$1,139,799,293
% change 2018-19	3.9%	4.8%
2020	\$43,260,834	\$1,209,995,921
% change 2019-20	6.0%	6.2%

Per Capita Personal Income	Lee County	Florida
1990	\$20,080	\$19,763
2000	\$28,764	\$29,466
2010	\$39,693	\$38,865
2011	\$41,963	\$40,482
% change 2010-11	5.7%	4.2%
2012	\$42,401	\$41,475
% change 2011-12	1.0%	2.5%
2013	\$42,137	\$41,069
% change 2012-13	-0.6%	-1.0%
2014	\$45,129	\$43,388
% change 2013-14	7.1%	5.6%
2015	\$47,152	\$45,493
% change 2014-15	4.5%	4.9%
2016	\$48,961	\$46,253
% change 2015-16	3.8%	1.7%
2017	\$50,496	\$48,774
% change 2016-17	3.1%	5.5%
2018	\$52,022	\$51,150
% change 2017-18	3.0%	4.9%
2019	\$52,832	\$53,034
% change 2018-19	1.6%	3.7%
2020	\$54,707	\$55,675
% change 2019-20	3.5%	5.0%

Earnings by Place of Work (\$000s)	Lee County	Florida
1990	\$3,468,653	\$161,135,722
2000	\$7,005,480	\$308,751,767
2010	\$12,794,679	\$438,983,914
2011	\$13,094,944	\$450,498,606
% change 2010-11	2.3%	2.6%
2012	\$13,574,573	\$468,410,475
% change 2011-12	3.7%	4.0%
2013	\$13,915,867	\$482,898,301
% change 2012-13	2.5%	3.1%
2014	\$15,144,760	\$512,375,290
% change 2013-14	8.8%	6.1%
2015	\$16,515,978	\$544,408,719
% change 2014-15	9.1%	6.3%
2016	\$17,676,661	\$569,769,284
% change 2015-16	7.0%	4.7%
2017	\$18,732,660	\$603,668,170
% change 2016-17	6.0%	5.9%
2018	\$19,477,629	\$639,620,451
% change 2017-18	4.0%	6.0%
2019	\$19,832,656	\$671,553,148
% change 2018-19	1.8%	5.0%
2020	\$20,437,349	\$688,764,753
% change 2019-20	3.0%	2.6%

Median Income	Lee County	Florida
Median Household Income	\$57,832	\$55,660
Median Family Income	\$69,496	\$67,414

Percent in Poverty, 2020	Lee County	Florida
All ages in poverty	10.5%	12.4%
Under age 18 in poverty	14.7%	17.2%
Related children age 5-17 in families in poverty	13.4%	16.5%

Personal Bankruptcy Filing Rate (per 1,000 population)	Lee County	Florida
12-Month Period Ending September 30, 2020	1.50	1.78
12-Month Period Ending September 30, 2021	1.27	1.45
State Rank	19	NA
NonBusiness Chapter 7 & Chapter 13		

Workers Aged 16 and Over	Lee County	Florida
Place of Work in Florida		
Worked outside county of residence	10.6%	18.2%
Travel Time to Work		
Mean travel time to work (minutes)	27.5	27.8

Reported County Government Revenues and Expenditures

Revenue 2018-19	Lee County	Florida*	Expenditures 2018-19	Lee County	Florida*
Total - All Revenue Account Codes (\$000s)	\$1,501,785.7	\$48,723,763.0	Total - All Expenditure Account Codes (\$000s)	\$1,485,484.26	\$44,233,424.76
Per Capita \$	\$2,042.83	\$2,407.55	Per Capita \$	\$2,020.66	\$2,185.67
% of Total	100.0%	100.0%	% of Total	100.0%	100.0%
Taxes (\$000s)	\$447,275.5	\$16,114,573.3	General Government Services** (\$000s)	\$287,896.54	\$7,462,947.96
Per Capita \$	\$608.42	\$796.26	Per Capita \$	\$391.62	\$368.76
% of Total	29.8%	33.1%	% of Total	19.4%	16.9%
Permits, Fee, and Special Assessments (\$000s)	\$47,264.6	\$2,274,184.8	Public Safety (\$000s)	\$307,846.54	\$10,847,409.29
Per Capita \$	\$64.29	\$112.37	Per Capita \$	\$418.75	\$535.99
% of Total	3.1%	4.7%	% of Total	20.7%	24.5%
Intergovernmental Revenues (\$000s)	\$190,227.6	\$5,241,885.1	Physical Environment (\$000s)	\$245,886.44	\$5,318,683.90
Per Capita \$	\$258.76	\$259.01	Per Capita \$	\$334.47	\$262.81
% of Total	12.7%	10.8%	% of Total	16.6%	12.0%
Charges for Services (\$000s)	\$582,269.6	\$14,324,919.1	Transportation (\$000s)	\$272,889.03	\$5,298,301.67
Per Capita \$	\$792.04	\$707.83	Per Capita \$	\$371.20	\$261.80
% of Total	38.8%	29.4%	% of Total	18.4%	12.0%
Judgments, Fines, and Forfeits (\$000s)	\$5,632.6	\$196,108.5	Economic Environment (\$000s)	\$33,404.59	\$1,655,038.81
Per Capita \$	\$7.66	\$9.69	Per Capita \$	\$45.44	\$81.78
% of Total	0.4%	0.4%	% of Total	2.2%	3.7%
Miscellaneous Revenues (\$000s)	\$45,891.3	\$1,713,370.3	Human Services (\$000s)	\$22,229.84	\$3,755,466.15
Per Capita \$	\$62.42	\$84.66	Per Capita \$	\$30.24	\$185.57
% of Total	3.1%	3.5%	% of Total	1.5%	8.5%
Other Sources (\$000s)	\$183,224.4	\$8,858,722.0	Culture / Recreation (\$000s)	\$90,668.46	\$1,814,978.48
Per Capita \$	\$249.23	\$437.73	Per Capita \$	\$123.33	\$89.68
% of Total	12.2%	18.2%	% of Total	6.1%	4.1%
			Other Uses and Non-Operating (\$000s)	\$180,877.28	\$7,163,763.98
			Per Capita \$	\$246.04	\$353.98
			% of Total	12.2%	16.2%
			Court-Related Expenditures (\$000s)	\$43,785.54	\$916,834.54
			Per Capita \$	\$59.56	\$45.30
			% of Total	2.9%	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	Lee County	Florida
Crime rate, 2020 (index crimes per 100,000 population)	1,361.5	2,152.3
Admissions to prison FY 2019-20	596	21,276
Admissions to prison per 100,000 population FY 2019-20	76.2	97.2

Health Insurance Status

Percent Insured by Age Group	Lee County	Florida
Under 65 years	82.1%	83.6%
Under 19 years	90.5%	92.4%
18 to 64 years	79.2%	80.6%

State Infrastructure

Transportation	Lee County	Florida
State Highway Centerline Miles	169.7	12,135.8
Lane Miles	797.4	45,111.7
State Bridges Number	106	7,079
State Facilities		
Buildings/Facilities (min. 300 Square Feet) Number	130	9,426
Square Footage	959,911	65,539,144
Conservation Land (land acres only)		
State-Owned (includes partially-owned)	59,179	5,478,547
% of Total Conservation Land (CL)	58.8%	51.8%
% of Total Area Land	11.8%	16.0%
% of Florida State-Owned CL	1.1%	
State-Managed	51,556	5,627,174
% of Total Conservation Land (CL)	51.3%	53.2%
% of Total Area Land	10.3%	16.4%
% of Florida State-Managed CL	0.9%	

State and Local Taxation

2020 Ad Valorem Millage Rates	Lee County	Not County-Wide*
County	4.0506	0.9308
School	6.0580	
Municipal		2.2745
Special Districts	0.3290	2.0189

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

Education

Public Education Schools Traditional Setting (2020-21)	Lee County School District	Florida
Total (state total includes special districts)	110	3,744
Elementary	51	1,883
Middle	18	573
Senior High	28	715
Combination	13	573
Educational attainment		
Persons aged 25 and older		
% HS graduate or higher	88.4%	88.2%
% bachelor's degree or higher	28.2%	29.9%

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