

# Gulf County

Florida's 59th most populous county  
with 0.1% of Florida's population



## Population

	Gulf County	Florida
<b>Census Population</b>		
1980 Census	10,658	9,746,961
1990 Census	11,504	12,938,071
2000 Census	14,560	15,982,824
2010 Census	15,863	18,801,332
2020 Census	14,192	21,538,187
% change 2010-2020	-10.5%	14.6%
<b>Age</b>		
% Under 18 years of age	16.7%	19.5%
% Aged 65 and over	24.6%	21.2%
% Median age	48.8	43.0
<b>Gender</b>		
% Male	53.4%	48.6%
% Female	46.6%	51.4%
<b>Race (alone) &amp; Ethnicity</b>		
% Not Hispanic-White	79.1%	51.5%
% Not Hispanic-Black or African American	11.9%	14.5%
% Not Hispanic-American Indian and Alaska Native	0.5%	0.2%
% Not Hispanic-Asian	0.4%	2.9%
% Not Hispanic-Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	0.0%	0.1%
% Not Hispanic-Some Other Race	0.2%	0.6%
% Not Hispanic-Two or More Races	4.0%	3.7%
% Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	3.9%	26.5%

## Population Estimates

	Gulf County	Florida
<b>2021 Estimate</b>	14,824	21,898,945
% change 2020-2021	4.5%	1.7%
<b>2022 Estimate</b>	15,938	22,276,132
% change 2020-2022	12.3%	3.4%
<b>2023 Estimate</b>	16,323	22,634,867
% change 2020-2023	15.0%	5.1%
<b>Based on 2023 Estimate</b>		
2025	16,708	23,292,200
2030	17,485	24,698,545
2035	18,107	25,814,954
2040	18,618	26,682,030
2045	19,066	27,409,376
2050	19,490	28,065,018

## Population Characteristics

	Gulf County	Florida
<b>Language Spoken at home</b> (% of total persons aged 5 and over)		
Speak only English	94.0%	70.1%
Speak a language other than English	6.0%	29.9%
Speak English "very well"	4.4%	18.1%
<b>Place of birth</b>		
Foreign born	3.4%	21.1%
<b>Veteran status</b>		
Civilian population 18 and over	10.7%	7.9%

## Migration

	Gulf County	Florida
<b>Residence 1 Year Ago</b> <b>Persons aged 1 and over</b>		
Same house	77.3%	85.6%
Different house in the U.S.	22.5%	13.5%
Same county in Florida	7.0%	7.4%
Different county in Florida	13.2%	3.1%
Different county in another state	2.3%	3.0%
Abroad	0.2%	0.9%

## Real Gross Domestic Product

Real GDP (Thousands of Chained 2017 Dollars)	Gulf County	Florida
2017 GDP	387,076	1,014,866,863
Percent of the State	0.0%	
2018 GDP	389,414	1,050,433,812
Percent of the State	0.0%	
2019 GDP	400,419	1,079,271,045
Percent of the State	0.0%	
2020 GDP	423,598	1,068,377,540
Percent of the State	0.0%	
2021 GDP	453,034	1,164,778,182
Percent of the State	0.0%	
2022 GDP	475,457	1,218,430,197
Percent of the State	0.0%	

## Population by Housing Type

	Gulf County	Florida
Household Population	12,959	21,073,604
Household Population per Occupied Housing Unit	2.33	2.47
Group Quarters Population	1,233	464,583

## Housing

Housing Counts	Gulf County	Florida
Housing units, 2020 Census	8,796	9,865,350
Occupied	5,571	8,529,067
Vacant	3,225	1,336,283

## Building Permits

Units Permitted	Gulf County	Florida
2000	188	155,269
2010	45	38,679
2020	242	164,074
2021	293	213,494
2022	299	211,962
2023	278	193,788

## Density

Persons per square mile	Gulf County	Florida
2000	26.3	296.4
2010	28.1	350.6
2020	25.6	401.4
2023	29.5	421.9

## Households and Family Households

	Gulf County	Florida
<b>Households</b>		
Total households, 2000 Census	4,931	6,338,075
Family households, 2000 Census	3,537	4,210,760
% with own children under 18	39.6%	42.3%
Total households, 2010 Census	5,335	7,420,802
Family households, 2010 Census	3,529	4,835,475
% with own children under 18	34.8%	40.0%
Average Household Size, 2010 Census	2.33	2.48
Average Family Size, 2010 Census	2.83	3.01
Total households, 2020 Census	5,571	8,529,067
Family households, 2020 Census	3,656	5,571,482
% with own children under 18	27.9%	36.0%

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 (CCR).

**Employment and Labor Force**

Establishments			Establishments		
2023, preliminary	Gulf County	Florida	% of All Industries, 2023, preliminary	Gulf County	Florida
All industries	530	878,638	All industries	504	878,638
Natural Resource & Mining	8	5,768	Natural Resource & Mining	1.6%	0.7%
Construction	97	82,713	Construction	15.7%	9.4%
Manufacturing	10	25,594	Manufacturing	1.4%	2.9%
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	88	151,461	Trade, Transportation and Utilities	23.2%	17.2%
Information	9	19,747	Information	1.6%	2.2%
Financial Activities	63	95,110	Financial Activities	6.9%	10.8%
Professional & Business Services	77	226,854	Professional & Business Services	11.9%	25.8%
Education & Health Services	37	100,471	Education & Health Services	10.9%	11.4%
Leisure and Hospitality	72	66,292	Leisure and Hospitality	8.9%	7.5%
Other Services	18	59,538	Other Services	10.1%	6.8%
Government	23	5,831	Government	6.2%	0.7%

Average Annual Employment			Average Annual Wage		
% of All Industries, 2023, preliminary	Gulf County	Florida	2023, preliminary	Gulf County	Florida
All industries	4,423	9,680,249	All industries	\$50,022	\$66,443
Natural Resource & Mining	2.2%	0.7%	Natural Resource & Mining	\$65,602	\$46,399
Construction	8.7%	6.5%	Construction	\$44,334	\$66,905
Manufacturing	3.5%	4.3%	Manufacturing	\$84,375	\$78,331
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	15.9%	20.2%	Trade, Transportation and Utilities	\$45,148	\$59,165
Information	NA	1.6%	Information	NA	\$112,706
Financial Activities	7.0%	7.0%	Financial Activities	\$50,554	\$100,986
Professional & Business Services	8.9%	16.7%	Professional & Business Services	\$64,415	\$83,076
Education & Health Services	11.8%	15.1%	Education & Health Services	\$62,751	\$63,872
Leisure and Hospitality	15.2%	13.4%	Leisure and Hospitality	\$26,475	\$35,532
Other Services	1.6%	3.0%	Other Services	\$29,083	\$49,297
Government	21.8%	11.2%	Government	\$52,171	\$67,715

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

Labor Force as Percent of Population			Unemployment Rate		
Aged 18 and Older					
	Gulf County	Florida		Gulf County	Florida
2000	45.0%	63.7%	2000	6.0%	3.7%
2010	46.5%	61.8%	2010	10.0%	10.8%
2020	41.6%	58.5%	2020	6.1%	8.1%
2021	42.9%	59.1%	2021	3.7%	4.7%
2022	40.1%	59.8%	2022	2.8%	3.0%
2023	39.6%	60.5%	2023	2.7%	2.9%

**Income and Financial Health**

Personal Income (\$000s)			Per Capita Personal Income		
	Gulf County	Florida		Gulf County	Florida
2000	\$247,937	\$471,588,082	2000	\$17,022	\$29,387
2010	\$420,699	\$730,690,145	2010	\$26,553	\$38,778
% change 2000-2010	69.7%	54.9%	% change 2000-2010	56.0%	32.0%
2020	\$651,140	\$1,221,121,559	2020	\$45,649	\$56,561
% change 2010-2020	54.8%	67.1%	% change 2010-2020	71.9%	45.9%
2021	\$725,870	\$1,376,879,460	2021	\$50,226	\$63,078
% change 2020-2021	11.5%	12.8%	% change 2020-2021	10.0%	11.5%
2022	\$743,555	\$1,441,598,918	2022	\$48,554	\$64,806
% change 2021-2022	2.4%	4.7%	% change 2021-2022	-3.3%	2.7%

Earnings by Place of Work (\$000s)			Median Income		
	Gulf County	Florida		Gulf County	Florida
2000	\$126,375	\$308,751,767	Median Household Income	\$56,250	\$67,917
2010	\$182,379	\$439,036,383	Median Family Income	\$70,654	\$81,514
% change 2000-2010	44.3%	42.2%			
2020	\$264,823	\$683,698,267			
% change 2010-2020	45.2%	55.7%			
2021	\$286,614	\$768,399,192			
% change 2020-2021	8.2%	12.4%			
2022	\$321,244	\$844,048,879			
% change 2021-2022	12.1%	9.8%			

Workers Aged 16 and Over			Personal Bankruptcy Filing Rate		
	Gulf County	Florida	(per 1,000 population)	Gulf County	Florida
Place of Work in Florida			12-Month Period Ending September 30, 2022	0.31	1.14
Worked outside county of residence	30.6%	17.3%	12-Month Period Ending September 30, 2023	0.43	1.16
Travel Time to Work			State Rank	63	NA
Mean travel time to work (minutes)	24.1	27.9			

Percent in Poverty, 2022		
	Gulf County	Florida
All ages in poverty	18.0%	12.7%
Under age 18 in poverty	25.7%	17.3%
Related children age 5-17 in families in poverty	22.2%	16.1%

Personal Bankruptcy Filing Rate		
(per 1,000 population)	Gulf County	Florida
12-Month Period Ending September 30, 2022	0.31	1.14
12-Month Period Ending September 30, 2023	0.43	1.16
State Rank	63	NA

NonBusiness Chapter 7 & Chapter 13

Reported County Government Revenues and Expenditures

Revenue 2020-21	Gulf County	Florida*	Expenditures 2020-21	Gulf County	Florida*
Total - All Revenue Account Codes (\$000s)	\$64,343.1	\$81,512,347.2	Total - All Expenditure Account Codes (\$000s)	\$56,617.56	\$77,064,319.71
Per Capita \$	\$4,340.47	\$3,903.45	Per Capita \$	\$3,819.32	\$3,690.44
% of Total	100.0%	100.0%	% of Total	100.0%	100.0%
<b>Taxes (\$000s)</b>	\$20,454.9	\$28,700,395.9	<b>General Government Services** (\$000s)</b>	\$10,049.97	\$30,930,327.83
Per Capita \$	\$1,379.85	\$1,374.40	Per Capita \$	\$677.95	\$1,481.19
% of Total	31.8%	35.2%	% of Total	17.8%	40.1%
<b>Permits, Fee, and Special Assessments (\$000s)</b>	\$1,052.0	\$3,079,751.7	<b>Public Safety (\$000s)</b>	\$11,721.91	\$13,640,661.35
Per Capita \$	\$70.97	\$147.48	Per Capita \$	\$790.74	\$653.22
% of Total	1.6%	3.8%	% of Total	20.7%	17.7%
<b>Intergovernmental Revenues (\$000s)</b>	\$25,986.6	\$9,164,789.4	<b>Physical Environment (\$000s)</b>	\$6,023.97	\$5,265,524.83
Per Capita \$	\$1,753.01	\$438.88	Per Capita \$	\$406.37	\$252.15
% of Total	40.4%	11.2%	% of Total	10.6%	6.8%
<b>Charges for Services (\$000s)</b>	\$6,262.0	\$23,760,013.8	<b>Transportation (\$000s)</b>	\$11,303.35	\$5,650,946.87
Per Capita \$	\$422.42	\$1,137.82	Per Capita \$	\$762.50	\$270.61
% of Total	9.7%	29.1%	% of Total	20.0%	7.3%
<b>Judgments, Fines, and Forfeits (\$000s)</b>	\$89.6	\$338,738.4	<b>Economic Environment (\$000s)</b>	\$4,154.12	\$1,975,239.15
Per Capita \$	\$6.05	\$16.22	Per Capita \$	\$280.23	\$94.59
% of Total	0.1%	0.4%	% of Total	7.3%	2.6%
<b>Miscellaneous Revenues (\$000s)</b>	\$2,867.3	\$4,467,076.4	<b>Human Services (\$000s)</b>	\$1,567.52	\$4,694,300.07
Per Capita \$	\$193.42	\$213.92	Per Capita \$	\$105.74	\$224.80
% of Total	4.5%	5.5%	% of Total	2.8%	6.1%
<b>Other Sources (\$000s)</b>	\$7,630.6	\$12,001,581.6	<b>Culture / Recreation (\$000s)</b>	\$4,659.77	\$1,794,823.73
Per Capita \$	\$514.74	\$574.73	Per Capita \$	\$314.34	\$85.95
% of Total	11.9%	14.7%	% of Total	8.2%	2.3%
			<b>Other Uses and Non-Operating (\$000s)</b>	\$6,449.73	\$10,103,703.21
			Per Capita \$	\$435.09	\$483.84
			% of Total	11.4%	13.1%
			<b>Court-Related Expenditures (\$000s)</b>	\$687.24	\$3,008,792.67
			Per Capita \$	\$46.36	\$144.08
			% of Total	1.2%	3.9%

\* 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	Gulf County	Florida
Crime rate, 2020 (index crimes per 100,000 population)	1,684.3	2,158.0
Admissions to prison FY 2022-23	65	27,209
Admissions to prison per 100,000 population FY 2022-23	398.2	120.2

State Infrastructure

Transportation	Gulf County	Florida
State Highway		
Centerline Miles	79.0	12,123.4
Lane Miles	160.1	45,337.5
State Bridges		
Number	25	7,079

State Facilities

Buildings/Facilities (min. 300 Square Feet)	Gulf County	Florida
Number	143	9,426
Square Footage	683,947	65,539,144

Conservation Land (land acres only)

State-Owned (includes partially-owned)	Gulf County	Florida
State-Owned (includes partially-owned)	67,238	5,689,323
% of Total Conservation Land (CL)	98.6%	54.9%
% of Total Area Land	19.1%	16.6%
% of Florida State-Owned CL	1.2%	

Other County Profiles

Criminal Justice County Profiles  
School District Profiles

Health Insurance Status

Percent Insured by Age Group	Gulf County	Florida
Under 65 years	85.9%	86.1%
Under 19 years	90.2%	92.7%
18 to 64 years	84.3%	83.8%

State and Local Taxation

2023	Gulf County	
	County-Wide	Not County-Wide*
County	6.2000	0.1306
School	5.7270	
Municipal		0.8651
Special Districts	0.0234	0.3890

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

Education

Public Education Schools	Gulf County	Florida
<b>Traditional Setting (2023-24)</b>	<b>School District</b>	
Total (state total includes special districts)	5	3,787
Elementary	3	1,877
Middle	0	565
Senior High	2	729
Combination	0	616

Educational attainment

Persons aged 25 and older	Gulf County	Florida
% HS graduate or higher	85.7%	89.3%
% bachelor's degree or higher	21.4%	32.3%

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