

Hernando County

Florida's 27th most populous county
with 0.9% of Florida's population



Population

Census Population	Hernando County	Florida
1980 Census	44,469	9,746,961
1990 Census	101,115	12,938,071
2000 Census	130,802	15,982,824
2010 Census	172,778	18,801,332
2020 Census	194,515	21,538,187
% change 2010-2020	12.6%	14.6%
Age		
% Under 18 years of age	18.4%	19.5%
% Aged 65 and over	28.1%	21.2%
% Median age	49.7	43.0
Gender		
% Male	48.1%	48.6%
% Female	51.9%	51.4%
Race (alone) & Ethnicity		
% Not Hispanic-White	74.1%	51.5%
% Not Hispanic-Black or African American	4.9%	14.5%
% Not Hispanic-American Indian and Alaska Native	0.3%	0.2%
% Not Hispanic-Asian	1.3%	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	4.0%	3.7%
% Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	14.9%	26.5%

Population Estimates

	Hernando County	Florida
2021 Estimate	196,540	21,898,945
% change 2020-2021	1.0%	1.7%
2022 Estimate	199,207	22,276,132
% change 2020-2022	2.4%	3.4%
2023 Estimate	204,265	22,634,867
% change 2020-2023	5.0%	5.1%
2024 Estimate	210,577	23,014,551
% change 2020-2024	8.3%	6.9%
Based on 2023 Estimate		
2025	210,306	23,292,200
2030	222,985	24,698,545
2035	233,424	25,814,954
2040	241,282	26,682,030
2045	247,149	27,409,376
2050	252,231	28,065,018

Population Characteristics

(% of total persons aged 5 and over)	Hernando County	Florida
Speak only English	87.5%	69.9%
Speak a language other than English	12.5%	30.1%
Speak English "very well"	8.6%	18.0%
Place of birth		
Foreign born	7.8%	21.4%
Veteran status		
Civilian population 18 and over	11.7%	7.7%

Migration

Residence 1 Year Ago	Hernando County	Florida
Persons aged 1 and over		
Same house	87.8%	86.0%
Different house in the U.S.	11.8%	13.0%
Same county in Florida	3.9%	6.9%
Different county in Florida	4.7%	3.1%
Different county in another state	3.2%	3.0%
Abroad	0.4%	1.0%

Real Gross Domestic Product

Real GDP (Thousands of Chained 2017 Dollars)	Hernando County	Florida
2017 GDP	4,036,623	1,014,866,863
Percent of the State	0.4%	
2018 GDP	4,236,734	1,050,433,812
Percent of the State	0.4%	
2019 GDP	4,331,543	1,084,913,903
Percent of the State	0.4%	
2020 GDP	4,393,701	1,069,758,799
Percent of the State	0.4%	
2021 GDP	4,724,486	1,170,526,307
Percent of the State	0.4%	
2022 GDP	5,061,846	1,239,883,625
Percent of the State	0.4%	
2023 GDP	5,319,978	1,292,787,615
Percent of the State	0.4%	

Population by Housing Type

	Hernando County	Florida
Household Population	192,398	21,073,604
Household Population per Occupied Housing Unit	2.41	2.47
Group Quarters Population	2,117	464,583

Housing

Housing Counts	Hernando County	Florida
Household units, 2020 Census	89,165	9,865,350
Occupied	79,773	8,529,067
Vacant	9,392	1,336,283

Building Permits

Units Permitted	Hernando County	Florida
2000	1,326	155,269
2010	242	38,679
2020	1,100	164,074
2021	1,905	213,494
2022	1,786	211,962
2023	2,030	193,788

Density

Persons per square mile	Hernando County	Florida
2000	273.5	296.4
2010	365.6	350.6
2020	411.3	401.4
2023	431.9	421.9
2024	445.2	429.0

Households and Family Households

Households	Hernando County	Florida
Total households, 2000 Census	55,425	6,338,075
Family households, 2000 Census	40,019	4,210,760
% with own children under 18	30.1%	42.3%
Total households, 2010 Census	71,745	7,420,802
Family households, 2010 Census	49,313	4,835,475
% with own children under 18	32.6%	40.0%
Average Household Size, 2010 Census	2.38	2.48
Average Family Size, 2010 Census	2.82	3.01
Total households, 2020 Census	79,773	8,529,067
Family households, 2020 Census	53,612	5,571,482
% with own children under 18	29.9%	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 (CQR).

Employment and Labor Force

Establishments

2023	Hernando County	Florida
All industries	4,548	878,947
Natural Resource & Mining	45	5,771
Construction	623	82,738
Manufacturing	131	25,599
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	831	151,500
Information	77	19,752
Financial Activities	442	95,132
Professional & Business Services	875	226,936
Education & Health Services	652	100,498
Leisure and Hospitality	392	66,309
Other Services	316	59,548
Government	48	5,830

Establishments

% of All Industries	Hernando County	Florida
All industries	4,548	878,947
Natural Resource & Mining	0.7%	0.7%
Construction	13.7%	9.4%
Manufacturing	2.9%	2.9%
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	18.3%	17.2%
Information	1.7%	2.2%
Financial Activities	9.7%	10.8%
Professional & Business Services	19.2%	25.8%
Education & Health Services	14.3%	11.4%
Leisure and Hospitality	8.6%	7.5%
Other Services	6.9%	6.8%
Government	1.1%	0.7%

**Average Annual Employment
% of All Industries, 2023**

	Hernando County	Florida
All industries	49,638	9,678,557
Natural Resource & Mining	0.4%	0.7%
Construction	7.4%	6.5%
Manufacturing	5.3%	4.4%
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	22.4%	20.2%
Information	0.8%	1.6%
Financial Activities	3.9%	6.9%
Professional & Business Services	9.6%	16.7%
Education & Health Services	21.5%	15.1%
Leisure and Hospitality	13.5%	13.4%
Other Services	3.1%	3.0%
Government	11.9%	11.2%

**Average Annual Wage
2023**

	Hernando County	Florida
All industries	\$47,469	\$66,446
Natural Resource & Mining	\$37,488	\$46,398
Construction	\$50,151	\$66,902
Manufacturing	\$58,464	\$78,331
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	\$40,499	\$59,161
Information	\$63,166	\$112,704
Financial Activities	\$61,965	\$101,130
Professional & Business Services	\$48,877	\$83,076
Education & Health Services	\$58,623	\$63,868
Leisure and Hospitality	\$24,072	\$35,528
Other Services	\$35,330	\$49,293
Government	\$57,091	\$67,715

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

**Labor Force as Percent of Population
Aged 18 and Older**

	Hernando County	Florida
2000	46.7%	63.7%
2010	47.5%	61.8%
2020	45.2%	58.1%
2021	45.9%	59.1%
2022	46.7%	59.8%
2023	46.9%	60.4%

Unemployment Rate

	Hernando County	Florida
2000	4.4%	3.7%
2010	13.1%	10.8%
2020	8.4%	8.1%
2021	5.2%	4.7%
2022	3.7%	3.0%
2023	3.8%	2.9%

Income and Financial Health

Personal Income (\$000s)

	Hernando County	Florida
2000	\$3,147,821	\$471,588,082
2010	\$5,313,266	\$730,690,145
% change 2000-2010	68.8%	54.9%
2020	\$8,327,435	\$1,220,782,745
% change 2010-2020	56.7%	67.1%
2021	\$9,355,743	\$1,358,786,260
% change 2020-2021	12.3%	11.3%
2022	\$9,574,749	\$1,436,107,237
% change 2021-2022	2.3%	5.7%
2023	\$10,465,012	\$1,553,426,399
% change 2022-2023	9.3%	8.2%

Per Capita Personal Income

	Hernando County	Florida
2000	\$23,958	\$29,387
2010	\$30,729	\$38,778
% change 2000-2010	28.3%	32.0%
2020	\$42,569	\$56,540
% change 2010-2020	38.5%	45.8%
2021	\$46,617	\$62,242
% change 2020-2021	9.5%	10.1%
2022	\$46,269	\$64,557
% change 2021-2022	-0.7%	3.7%
2023	\$49,176	\$68,703
% change 2022-2023	6.3%	6.4%

Earnings by Place of Work (\$000s)

	Hernando County	Florida
2000	\$1,155,109	\$308,751,767
2010	\$1,778,154	\$439,036,383
% change 2000-2010	53.9%	42.2%
2020	\$2,763,601	\$684,270,758
% change 2010-2020	55.4%	55.9%
2021	\$3,120,420	\$771,654,020
% change 2020-2021	12.9%	12.8%
2022	\$3,420,778	\$841,921,275
% change 2021-2022	9.6%	9.1%
2023	\$3,689,852	\$908,440,362
% change 2022-2023	7.9%	7.9%

Median Income

	Hernando County	Florida
Median Household Income	\$63,193	\$71,711
Median Family Income	\$74,933	\$86,127

Percent in Poverty, 2023

	Hernando County	Florida
All ages in poverty	12.1%	12.4%
Under age 18 in poverty	15.7%	16.0%
Related children age 5-17 in families in poverty	14.6%	15.3%

Workers Aged 16 and Over

	Hernando County	Florida
Place of Work in Florida		
Worked outside county of residence	35.9%	17.2%
Travel Time to Work		
Mean travel time to work (minutes)	30.4	28.0

**Personal Bankruptcy Filing Rate
(per 1,000 population)**

	Hernando County	Florida
12-Month Period Ending September 30, 2022	1.35	1.14
12-Month Period Ending September 30, 2023	1.34	1.16
State Rank	10	NA

NonBusiness Chapter 7 & Chapter 13

Reported County Government Revenues and Expenditures

Revenue 2021-22	Hernando County	Florida*	Expenditures 2021-22	Hernando County	Florida*
Total - All Revenue Account Codes (\$000s)	\$545,726.1	\$100,987,094.3	Total - All Expenditure Account Codes (\$000s)	\$499,679.00	\$87,375,419.16
Per Capita \$	\$2,739.49	\$4,753.99	Per Capita \$	\$2,508.34	\$4,113.22
% of Total	100.0%	100.0%	% of Total	100.0%	100.0%
General Government Taxes (\$000s)	\$111,083.6	\$38,773,224.6	General Government Services** (\$000s)	\$227,556.87	\$36,715,485.34
Per Capita \$	\$557.63	\$1,825.26	Per Capita \$	\$1,142.31	\$1,728.39
% of Total	20.4%	38.4%	% of Total	45.5%	42.0%
Permits, Fee, and Special Assessments (\$000s)	\$68,100.1	\$4,209,936.0	Public Safety (\$000s)	\$128,963.13	\$13,363,472.90
Per Capita \$	\$341.86	\$198.18	Per Capita \$	\$647.38	\$629.09
% of Total	12.5%	4.2%	% of Total	25.8%	15.3%
Intergovernmental Revenues (\$000s)	\$38,809.5	\$8,275,034.7	Physical Environment (\$000s)	\$55,502.37	\$5,823,076.34
Per Capita \$	\$194.82	\$389.55	Per Capita \$	\$278.62	\$274.12
% of Total	7.1%	8.2%	% of Total	11.1%	6.7%
Charges for Services (\$000s)	\$286,946.1	\$25,774,652.2	Transportation (\$000s)	\$27,642.75	\$6,146,973.86
Per Capita \$	\$1,440.44	\$1,213.35	Per Capita \$	\$138.76	\$289.37
% of Total	52.6%	25.5%	% of Total	5.5%	7.0%
Judgments, Fines, and Forfeits (\$000s)	\$1,585.0	\$2,289,306.5	Economic Environment (\$000s)	\$2,319.97	\$2,095,127.71
Per Capita \$	\$7.96	\$107.77	Per Capita \$	\$11.65	\$98.63
% of Total	0.3%	2.3%	% of Total	0.5%	2.4%
Miscellaneous Revenues (\$000s)	-\$304.4	\$8,397,909.0	Human Services (\$000s)	\$6,700.07	\$4,845,695.64
Per Capita \$	-\$1.53	\$395.33	Per Capita \$	\$33.63	\$228.11
% of Total	-0.1%	8.3%	% of Total	1.3%	5.5%
Other Sources (\$000s)	\$39,506.2	\$13,267,031.3	Culture / Recreation (\$000s)	\$21,198.86	\$2,101,309.57
Per Capita \$	\$198.32	\$624.55	Per Capita \$	\$106.42	\$98.92
% of Total	7.2%	13.1%	% of Total	4.2%	2.4%
			Other Uses and Non-Operating (\$000s)	\$13,184.02	\$12,196,205.02
			Per Capita \$	\$66.18	\$574.14
			% of Total	2.6%	14.0%
			Court-Related Expenditures (\$000s)	\$16,610.98	\$4,088,072.79
			Per Capita \$	\$83.39	\$192.45
			% of Total	3.3%	4.7%

* 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	Hernando County	Florida
Crime rate, 2020 (index crimes per 100,000 population)	1,449.1	2,158.0
Admissions to prison FY 2023-24	311	27,227
Admissions to prison per 100,000 population FY 2023-24	147.7	118.3

Health Insurance Status

Percent Insured by Age Group	Hernando County	Florida
Under 65 years	85.9%	86.1%
Under 19 years	92.1%	92.7%
18 to 64 years	83.7%	83.8%

Education

Public Education Schools Traditional Setting (2023-24)	Hernando County School District	Florida
Total (state total includes special districts)	26	3,787
Elementary	11	1,877
Middle	6	565
Senior High	5	729
Combination	4	616

Educational attainment Persons aged 25 and older	Hernando County	Florida
% HS graduate or higher	90.1%	89.6%
% bachelor's degree or higher	20.4%	33.2%

Other County Profiles
Criminal Justice County Profiles
School District Profiles

State and Local Taxation

2024	Hernando County	Not County-Wide*
County	7,3690	1,0239
School	6,2710	
Municipal		0,2697
Special Districts	0,1909	

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

State Infrastructure

Transportation	Hernando County	Florida
State Highway		
Centerline Miles	125.5	12,189.9
Lane Miles	487.8	45,742.2
Conservation Land (land acres only)		
State-Owned (includes partially-owned)	80,416	5,689,323
% of Total Conservation Land (CL)	92.0%	54.9%
% of Total Area Land	26.6%	16.6%
% of Florida State-Owned CL	1.4%	

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