

Sarasota County

Florida's 14th most populous county

with 2.1% of Florida's population



Population

Census Population	Sarasota County	Florida
1980 Census	202,251	9,746,961
1990 Census	277,776	12,938,071
2000 Census	325,961	15,982,824
2010 Census	379,448	18,801,332
2020 Census	434,006	21,538,187
% change 2010-2020	14.4%	14.6%
Age		
% Under 18 years of age	13.7%	19.5%
% Aged 65 and over	37.6%	21.2%
% Median age	57.6	43.0
Gender		
% Male	47.7%	48.6%
% Female	52.3%	51.4%
Race (alone) & Ethnicity		
% Not Hispanic-White	80.6%	51.5%
% Not Hispanic-Black or African American	3.7%	14.5%
% Not Hispanic-American Indian and Alaska Native	0.2%	0.2%
% Not Hispanic-Asian	1.9%	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	3.2%	3.7%
% Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	10.0%	26.5%

Population Estimates

	Sarasota County	Florida
2021 Estimate	441,508	21,898,945
% change 2020-2021	1.7%	1.7%
2022 Estimate	452,378	22,276,132
% change 2020-2022	4.2%	3.4%
2023 Estimate	464,223	22,634,867
% change 2020-2023	7.0%	5.1%
2024 Estimate	479,027	23,014,551
% change 2020-2024	10.4%	6.9%
2025 Estimate	487,640	23,379,261
% change 2020-2025	12.4%	8.5%
Based on 2025 Estimate		
2030	525,776	24,909,028
2035	555,816	26,074,611
2040	578,428	26,967,897
2045	596,028	27,664,885
2050	610,979	28,250,130

Population Characteristics

	Sarasota County	Florida
(% of total persons aged 5 and over)		
Speak only English	85.2%	69.4%
Speak a language other than English	14.8%	30.6%
Speak English "very well"	9.3%	18.1%
Place of birth		
Foreign born	13.0%	21.9%
Veteran status		
Civilian population 18 and over	8.8%	7.4%

Migration

Residence 1 Year Ago	Sarasota County	Florida
Persons aged 1 and over		
Same house	85.0%	86.3%
Different house in the U.S.	14.4%	12.6%
Same county in Florida	6.8%	6.6%
Different county in Florida	2.9%	3.1%
Different county in another state	4.7%	2.9%
Abroad	0.6%	1.1%

Real Gross Domestic Product

Real GDP (Thousands of Chained 2017 Dollars)	Sarasota County	Florida
2017 GDP	20,195,020	1,014,866,863
Percent of the State	2.0%	
2018 GDP	21,289,883	1,050,433,812
Percent of the State	2.0%	
2019 GDP	22,084,521	1,084,913,903
Percent of the State	2.0%	
2020 GDP	22,426,330	1,072,481,562
Percent of the State	2.1%	
2021 GDP	23,559,445	1,172,655,328
Percent of the State	2.0%	
2022 GDP	25,555,591	1,245,927,559
Percent of the State	2.1%	
2023 GDP	26,976,477	1,309,392,241
Percent of the State	2.1%	
2024 GDP	27,981,018	1,352,275,106
Percent of the State	2.1%	

Population by Housing Type

	Sarasota County	Florida
Household Population	426,047	21,073,604
Household Population per Occupied Housing Unit	2.13	2.47
Group Quarters Population	7,959	464,583

Housing

Housing Counts	Sarasota County	Florida
Housing units, 2020 Census	253,231	9,865,350
Occupied	200,211	8,529,067
Vacant	53,020	1,336,283

Building Permits

Units Permitted	Sarasota County	Florida
2000	3,658	155,269
2010	708	38,679
2020	4,437	164,074
2021	7,805	213,494
2022	7,323	211,962
2023	7,822	193,788
2024	7,466	173,326

Population Density

Persons per square mile	Sarasota County	Florida
2000	570.3	296.4
2010	682.6	350.6
2020	780.6	401.4
2025	877.1	435.8

Households and Family Households

Households	Sarasota County	Florida
Total households, 2000 Census	149,940	6,338,075
Family households, 2000 Census	94,528	4,210,760
% with own children under 18	29.0%	42.3%
Total households, 2010 Census	175,746	7,420,802
Family households, 2010 Census	106,952	4,835,475
% with own children under 18	28.1%	40.0%
Average Household Size, 2010 Census	2.13	2.48
Average Family Size, 2010 Census	2.64	3.01
Total households, 2020 Census	200,211	8,529,067
Family households, 2020 Census	123,563	5,571,482
% with own children under 18	23.8%	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 2024		Sarasota County	Florida	Establishments % of All Industries		Sarasota County	Florida
All industries		21,209	881,780	All industries		21,209	881,780
Natural Resource & Mining		55	5,872	Natural Resource & Mining		0.3%	0.7%
Construction		2,576	84,932	Construction		12.1%	9.6%
Manufacturing		647	26,842	Manufacturing		3.1%	3.0%
Trade, Transportation and Utilities		3,105	151,230	Trade, Transportation and Utilities		14.6%	17.2%
Information		481	20,233	Information		2.3%	2.3%
Financial Activities		2,734	95,614	Financial Activities		12.9%	10.8%
Professional & Business Services		5,511	225,541	Professional & Business Services		26.0%	25.6%
Education & Health Services		2,450	104,515	Education & Health Services		11.6%	11.9%
Leisure and Hospitality		1,534	68,016	Leisure and Hospitality		7.2%	7.7%
Other Services		1,590	60,954	Other Services		7.5%	6.9%
Government		98	5,886	Government		0.5%	0.7%

Average Annual Employment % of All Industries, 2024		Sarasota County	Florida	Average Annual Wage 2024		Sarasota County	Florida
All industries		190,083	9,837,263	All industries		\$65,135	\$69,492
Natural Resource & Mining		0.1%	0.7%	Natural Resource & Mining		\$87,009	\$49,698
Construction		9.7%	6.6%	Construction		\$68,484	\$70,271
Manufacturing		4.7%	4.3%	Manufacturing		\$73,321	\$81,956
Trade, Transportation and Utilities		17.5%	20.1%	Trade, Transportation and Utilities		\$52,503	\$61,291
Information		1.2%	1.6%	Information		\$144,738	\$121,266
Financial Activities		5.5%	6.9%	Financial Activities		\$102,376	\$108,740
Professional & Business Services		13.8%	16.5%	Professional & Business Services		\$85,099	\$87,036
Education & Health Services		21.0%	15.5%	Education & Health Services		\$66,072	\$66,009
Leisure and Hospitality		14.5%	13.4%	Leisure and Hospitality		\$35,125	\$37,261
Other Services		3.7%	3.0%	Other Services		\$47,152	\$51,306
Government		8.1%	11.3%	Government		\$71,314	\$71,045

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

Labor Force as Percent of Population Aged 18 and Older		Sarasota County	Florida	Unemployment Rate		Sarasota County	Florida
2000		54.5%	63.7%	2000		3.2%	3.7%
2010		51.8%	61.8%	2010		11.2%	10.8%
2020		47.3%	58.0%	2020		7.3%	8.0%
2021		48.5%	58.9%	2021		4.1%	4.7%
2022		48.7%	59.8%	2022		3.1%	3.0%
2023		50.8%	60.4%	2023		3.0%	2.9%
2024		49.5%	60.3%	2024		3.6%	3.4%
2025p		49.2%	59.7%	2025p		4.4%	4.0%

(2025p is based on 11 months -- no data for October 2025)

Personal Income (\$000s)		Sarasota County	Florida	Per Capita Personal Income		Sarasota County	Florida
2000		\$13,023,120	\$471,588,082	2000		\$39,806	\$29,387
2010		\$17,329,847	\$730,690,145	2010		\$45,635	\$38,779
% change 2000-2010		33.1%	54.9%	% change 2000-2010		14.6%	32.0%
2020		\$32,190,666	\$1,222,053,372	2020		\$73,788	\$56,597
% change 2010-2020		85.8%	67.2%	% change 2010-2020		61.7%	45.9%
2021		\$36,130,027	\$1,367,061,863	2021		\$80,516	\$62,617
% change 2020-2021		12.2%	11.9%	% change 2020-2021		9.1%	10.6%
2022		\$37,917,444	\$1,464,251,012	2022		\$81,707	\$65,429
% change 2021-2022		4.9%	7.1%	% change 2021-2022		1.5%	4.5%
2023		\$42,323,233	\$1,604,650,325	2023		\$89,653	\$70,057
% change 2022-2023		11.6%	9.6%	% change 2022-2023		9.7%	7.1%
2024		\$44,847,781	\$1,706,305,733	2024		\$94,099	\$73,006
% change 2023-2024		6.0%	6.3%	% change 2023-2024		5.0%	4.2%

Earnings by Place of Work (\$000s)		Sarasota County	Florida	Median Income		Sarasota County	Florida
2000		\$5,932,296	\$308,751,767	Median Household Income		\$83,416	\$74,568
2010		\$7,765,963	\$439,036,383	Median Family Income		\$102,230	\$89,891
% change 2000-2010		30.9%	42.2%				
2020		\$13,461,036	\$684,772,318				
% change 2010-2020		73.3%	56.0%				
2021		\$15,345,219	\$771,994,702				
% change 2020-2021		14.0%	12.7%				
2022		\$16,776,320	\$845,179,676				
% change 2021-2022		9.3%	9.5%				
2023		\$18,135,696	\$915,351,168				
% change 2022-2023		8.1%	8.3%				
2024		\$19,413,241	\$972,525,321				
% change 2023-2024		7.0%	6.2%				

Workers Aged 16 and Over		Sarasota County	Florida	Personal Bankruptcy Filing Rate (per 1,000 population)		Sarasota County	Florida
Place of Work in Florida				12-Month Period Ending September 30, 2024		0.85	1.46
Worked outside county of residence		13.5%	17.0%	12-Month Period Ending September 30, 2025		1.05	1.71
Travel Time to Work				State Rank		43	NA
Mean travel time to work (minutes)		24.5	28.0				

NonBusiness Chapter 7 & Chapter 13

Reported County Government Revenues and Expenditures (Includes all Custodial Fund reporting)

Revenue 2022-23	Sarasota County	Florida*	Expenditures 2022-23	Sarasota County	Florida*
Total - All Revenue Account Codes (\$000s)	\$3,147,857.6	\$117,776,640.6	Total - All Expenditure Account Codes (\$000s)	\$2,960,809.90	\$110,894,156.90
Per Capita \$	\$6,780.92	\$5,456.77	Per Capita \$	\$6,377.99	\$5,137.89
% of Total	100.0%	100.0%	% of Total	100.0%	100.0%
General Government Taxes (\$000s)	\$452,295.2	\$48,947,738.5	General Government Services** (\$000s)	\$194,355.25	\$56,597,761.19
Per Capita \$	\$974.31	\$2,267.82	Per Capita \$	\$418.67	\$2,622.26
% of Total	14.4%	41.6%	% of Total	6.6%	51.0%
Permits, Fee, and Special Assessments (\$000s)	\$211,001.1	\$5,231,689.8	Public Safety (\$000s)	\$416,922.04	\$14,143,806.21
Per Capita \$	\$454.53	\$242.39	Per Capita \$	\$898.11	\$655.30
% of Total	6.7%	4.4%	% of Total	14.1%	12.8%
Intergovernmental Revenues (\$000s)	\$148,503.7	\$8,250,822.1	Physical Environment (\$000s)	\$204,206.64	\$6,602,230.32
Per Capita \$	\$319.90	\$382.27	Per Capita \$	\$439.89	\$305.89
% of Total	4.7%	7.0%	% of Total	6.9%	6.0%
Charges for Services (\$000s)	\$407,295.4	\$28,150,407.9	Transportation (\$000s)	\$95,664.43	\$6,383,904.27
Per Capita \$	\$877.37	\$1,304.25	Per Capita \$	\$206.07	\$295.78
% of Total	12.9%	23.9%	% of Total	3.2%	5.8%
Judgments, Fines, and Forfeits (\$000s)	\$4,829.1	\$1,880,041.8	Economic Environment (\$000s)	\$11,397.37	\$2,413,716.53
Per Capita \$	\$10.40	\$87.11	Per Capita \$	\$24.55	\$111.83
% of Total	0.2%	1.6%	% of Total	0.4%	2.2%
Miscellaneous Revenues (\$000s)	\$1,688,894.0	\$12,799,887.1	Human Services (\$000s)	\$25,287.83	\$5,303,244.59
Per Capita \$	\$3,638.11	\$593.04	Per Capita \$	\$54.47	\$245.71
% of Total	53.7%	10.9%	% of Total	0.9%	4.8%
Other Sources (\$000s)	\$235,039.0	\$12,516,053.5	Culture / Recreation (\$000s)	\$65,125.07	\$2,195,932.65
Per Capita \$	\$506.31	\$579.89	Per Capita \$	\$140.29	\$101.74
% of Total	7.5%	10.6%	% of Total	2.2%	2.0%
			Other Uses and Non-Operating (\$000s)	\$1,928,176.97	\$13,256,605.85
			Per Capita \$	\$4,153.56	\$614.20
			% of Total	65.1%	12.0%
			Court-Related Expenditures (\$000s)	\$19,674.31	\$3,996,955.30
			Per Capita \$	\$42.38	\$185.18
			% of Total	0.7%	3.6%

* 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	Sarasota County	Florida
Crime rate, 2020 (index crimes per 100,000 population)	1,755.2	2,158.0
Admissions to prison FY 2024-25	657	27,171
Admissions to prison per 100,000 population FY 2024-25	134.7	116.2

Health Insurance Status

Percent Insured by Age Group	Sarasota County	Florida
Under 65 years	86.9%	86.6%
Under 19 years	90.1%	92.7%
18 to 64 years	85.9%	84.5%

Education

Public Education Schools	Sarasota County	Florida
Traditional Setting (2025-26)	School District	Florida
Total (state total includes special districts)	56	3,796
Elementary	25	1,847
Middle	11	561
Senior High	10	736
Combination	10	652
Educational attainment	Sarasota County	Florida
Persons aged 25 and older		
% HS graduate or higher	94.8%	89.9%
% bachelor's degree or higher	40.8%	34.1%

State and Local Taxation

2025	Sarasota County	
	County-Wide	Not County-Wide*
County	3.2940	0.5717
School	6.0950	
Municipal		1.4373
Special Districts	1.3547	

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

State Infrastructure

Transportation	Sarasota County	Florida
State Highway		
Centerline Miles	158.1	12,265.7
Lane Miles	720.6	46,013.4
Conservation Land (CL land acres only)		
State or Regionally Owned (includes partially-owned)	67,888	5,863,289
% of Total Conservation Land (including private)	56.5%	53.6%
% of Total Area Land	19.1%	17.1%
% of Florida State or Regionally Owned CL	1.2%	

Other County Profiles

Criminal Justice County Profiles
School District Profiles

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