

# Highlands County

Florida's 36th most populous county  
with .5% of Florida's population

<b>Crime</b>	<b>Highlands County</b>	<b>Florida</b>
Crime rate (index crimes per 100,000 population)		
2019	2,534.0	2,551.1
2020	2,084.2	2,152.3
2020 rank in state	20	NA
% change from 2019 to 2020	-17.7%	-15.6%

Violent crimes		
2019	280	81,092
2020	296	82,941
County share of violent crimes	0.4%	NA

Violent crime rate (violent crimes per 100,000 population)		
2019	270.7	382.4
2020	282.4	384.1
2020 rank in state	39	NA
% change from 2019 to 2020	4.3%	0.4%

## Felony Filings

### FY 2019-20 Total

### Filings(defendants)

	<b>Highlands County</b>	<b>Florida</b>
Violent crimes	24	4,719
Other crimes against persons	223	31,585
Crimes against property	511	72,981
Drug Crimes	287	48,915

### Change from prior FY

Violent crimes	-41.5%	3.7%
Other crimes against persons	33.5%	0.0%
Crimes against property	-18.4%	-11.8%
Drug Crimes	2.9%	-16.7%

Total charges FY 2019-20                   4,796                   345,611

Number of charges per defendant           4.6                   2.2

## Juvenile Delinquency

FY 2019-20 juvenile delinquency complaints filed                   289                   38,331

Per 100,000 juveniles 10-17               3,529.6             1,947.1

Juveniles direct filed to adult court                   4                   1,031

County share of juveniles direct filed           0.4%               NA

## New Commitments to Prison

	<b>Highlands County</b>	<b>Florida</b>
2019	196	27,242
2020	97	12,834
% change from 2019 to 2020	-50.7%	-52.9%
2020 rank in state	38	NA

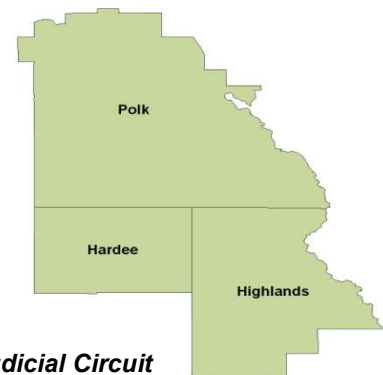
County share of new commitments	0.8%	NA
% of new commitments who are female	11.5%	14.6%

## 2020 New Commitments by Offense Category

	<b>Highlands County</b>	<b>Florida</b>
Murder/manslaughter	1	416
Sexual/lewd behavior	4	750
Robbery	2	654
Other violent	14	2,068
Burglary	14	1,741
Property theft/fraud	14	1,868
Drugs	22	3,119
Weapons	14	945
Other	9	1,274

## Change in New Commitments from 2019

	<b>Highlands County</b>	<b>Florida</b>
Murder/manslaughter	-65.0%	-57.1%
Sexual/lewd behavior	-67.7%	-54.9%
Robbery	-76.7%	-57.0%
Other violent	-47.6%	-50.3%
Burglary	-28.3%	-54.2%
Property theft/fraud	-38.0%	-53.6%
Drugs	-64.5%	-52.6%
Weapons	-2.6%	-51.0%
Other	-58.1%	-50.7%



10th Judicial Circuit

## Drug New Commitments

	Highlands County	Florida
Drug new commitments as % of all new commitments		
2019	31.9%	24.2%
2020	23.0%	24.3%
County share of all drug new commitments--2020	0.7%	NA
As percent of drug new commitments--2020		
Drug trafficking	15.0%	21.4%
Drug manufacture/sale/purchase	30.0%	37.6%
Drug possession/other	55.0%	41.0%

## Sentence Length of New Commitments

	Highlands County	Florida
Average sentence length (months)		
2019	54.1	59.9
2020	44.4	55.7
2020 year-and-a-day new commitments	1	911
As percent of all new commitments	1.2%	7.1%
County share of all year-and-a-day new commitments	0.1%	NA

## DOC Incarcerated Inmates by County of Commitment

	Highlands County	Florida
June 30, 2020	5,527	87,736
Incarceration rate (inmates per 100,000 county population)	5,272.1	406.3
County rank	4	NA

## DOC Community Supervision

	Highlands County	Florida
FY 2019-20 admissions by county of conviction	433	62,690
County share of all supervision admissions	0.7%	NA
June 30, 2020 supervised population	1,076	153,542
County share of supervised population	0.7%	NA

## Department of Corrections Facilities

	Highlands County	Florida
DOC facilities--6/30/20	0	145
DOC inmates--6/30/20	0	87,736
% of DOC inmates in county	0.0%	NA

## County Detention Facilities

	Highlands County	Florida
Average daily population		
June 2020	372	48,012
County jail capacity		
June 2020	NA	NA
Occupancy rate	NA	NA

## Registered Sex Offenders

	Highlands County	Florida
Offenders	159	27,397
Predators	23	4,241
Total	182	31,638
County share of registered sex offenders and predators	0.6%	NA
Registered sex offenders and predators per 100,000 population	173.6	146.5

## County Demographics

	Highlands County	Florida
Official 4/1/20 Estimate of population	104,834	21,596,068
Population change 2010-20	6,048	2,794,736
% change from 2010 to 2020	6.1%	14.9%
Median age	54.7	41.8
Persons per square mile	103	403

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