

# Columbia County

Florida's 41st most populous county  
with 0.3% of Florida's population



## Population

	Columbia County	Florida
<b>Census Population</b>		
1980 Census	35,399	9,746,961
1990 Census	42,613	12,938,071
2000 Census	56,513	15,982,824
2010 Census	67,531	18,801,332
2020 Census	69,698	21,538,187
% change 2010-2020	3.2%	14.6%
<b>Age</b>		
% Under 18 years of age	21.4%	19.5%
<b>Race (alone) &amp; Ethnicity</b>		
% Not Hispanic-White	70.4%	51.5%
% Not Hispanic-Black or African American	16.4%	14.5%
% Not Hispanic-American Indian and Alaska Native	0.3%	0.2%
% Not Hispanic-Asian	1.2%	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	3.8%	3.7%
% Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	7.3%	26.5%

## Population Estimates

	Columbia County	Florida
<b>2021 Estimate</b>	69,809	21,898,945
% change 2020-2021	0.2%	1.7%
<b>2022 Estimate</b>	71,525	22,276,132
% change 2020-2022	2.6%	3.4%
<b>Based on 2021 Estimate</b>		
2025	72,542	23,164,008
2030	74,728	24,471,129
2035	76,248	25,520,837
2040	77,454	26,405,472
2045	78,583	27,176,715
2050	79,620	27,877,707

## Population Characteristics

	Columbia County	Florida
<b>Language spoken at home other than English</b>		
Persons aged 5 and over	7.3%	29.8%
<b>Place of birth</b>		
Foreign born	3.9%	21.0%
<b>Veteran status</b>		
Civilian population 18 and over	11.6%	8.2%

## Migration

<b>Residence 1 Year Ago</b>	Columbia County	Florida
<b>Persons aged 1 and over</b>		
Same house	80.4%	85.2%
Different house in the U.S.	19.2%	13.8%
Same county in Florida	8.5%	7.9%
Different county in Florida	8.4%	3.1%
Different county in another state	2.3%	2.9%
Abroad	0.4%	0.9%

## Real Gross Domestic Product

<b>Real GDP</b> (Thousands of Chained 2012 Dollars)	Columbia County	Florida
2015 GDP	1,957,397	852,242,411
Percent of the State	0.2%	
2016 GDP	1,944,960	881,539,238
Percent of the State	0.2%	
2017 GDP	2,026,079	912,687,386
Percent of the State	0.2%	
2018 GDP	2,110,538	941,626,696
Percent of the State	0.2%	
2019 GDP	2,143,684	965,672,478
Percent of the State	0.2%	
2020 GDP	2,140,280	950,164,387
Percent of the State	0.2%	
2021 GDP	2,293,640	1,029,575,591
Percent of the State	0.2%	

## Population by Housing Type

	Columbia County	Florida
Household Population	66,097	21,073,604
Household Population per Occupied Housing Unit	2.50	2.47
Group Quarters Population	3,601	464,583

## Housing

<b>Housing Counts</b>	Columbia County	Florida
Housing units, 2020 Census	29,775	9,865,350
Occupied	26,424	8,529,067
Vacant	3,351	1,336,283

## Building Permits

<b>Units Permitted</b>	Columbia County	Florida
2000	289	155,269
2010	84	38,679
2020	194	164,074
2021	258	213,494

## Density

<b>Persons per square mile</b>	Columbia County	Florida
2000	70.9	296.4
2010	84.7	350.6
2020	87.4	401.4
2022	87.5	408.2

## Households and Family Households

<b>Households</b>	Columbia County	Florida
Total households, 2000 Census	20,925	6,338,075
Family households, 2000 Census	14,919	4,210,760
% with own children under 18	45.1%	42.3%
Total households, 2010 Census	24,941	7,420,802
Family households, 2010 Census	17,122	4,835,475
% with own children under 18	39.4%	40.0%
Average Household Size, 2010 Census	2.52	2.48
Average Family Size, 2010 Census	3.00	3.01

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

2021

	Columbia County	Florida
All industries	17,054	820,313
Natural Resource & Mining	113	5,545
Construction	2,358	78,395
Manufacturing	369	22,795
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	2,573	151,294
Information	253	16,928
Financial Activities	2,405	89,810
Professional & Business Services	4,329	205,828
Education & Health Services	1,531	92,489
Leisure and Hospitality	1,290	63,682
Other Services	1,397	57,817
Government	84	5,893

Establishments

% of All Industries, 2021

	Columbia County	Florida
All industries	17,054	820,313
Natural Resource & Mining	0.7%	0.7%
Construction	13.8%	9.6%
Manufacturing	2.2%	2.8%
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	15.1%	18.4%
Information	1.5%	2.1%
Financial Activities	14.1%	10.9%
Professional & Business Services	25.4%	25.1%
Education & Health Services	9.0%	11.3%
Leisure and Hospitality	7.6%	7.8%
Other Services	8.2%	7.0%
Government	0.5%	0.7%

Average Annual Employment

% of All Industries, 2021

	Columbia County	Florida
All industries	23,896	8,859,818
Natural Resource & Mining	0.9%	0.8%
Construction	4.5%	6.5%
Manufacturing	8.7%	4.4%
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	22.4%	20.7%
Information	0.3%	1.6%
Financial Activities	2.7%	6.9%
Professional & Business Services	10.4%	16.5%
Education & Health Services	14.3%	15.0%
Leisure and Hospitality	12.6%	12.7%
Other Services	2.0%	3.0%
Government	21.1%	11.8%

Average Annual Wage

2021

	Columbia County	Florida
All industries	\$44,245	\$60,299
Natural Resource & Mining	\$44,793	\$42,128
Construction	\$42,638	\$59,088
Manufacturing	\$56,139	\$69,997
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	\$42,183	\$53,762
Information	\$48,650	\$104,461
Financial Activities	\$69,767	\$93,945
Professional & Business Services	\$42,826	\$74,787
Education & Health Services	\$44,808	\$59,043
Leisure and Hospitality	\$20,175	\$31,029
Other Services	\$28,071	\$44,107
Government	\$54,744	\$61,210

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

Labor Force as Percent of Population

Aged 18 and Older

	Columbia County	Florida
2000	61.4%	64.2%
2010	54.5%	61.8%
2020	52.9%	58.6%
2021	53.3%	59.0%
2022 preliminary	53.4%	60.1%

Unemployment Rate

	Columbia County	Florida
2000	4.0%	3.8%
2010	10.5%	10.8%
2020	6.4%	8.2%
2021	4.5%	4.6%
2022 preliminary	3.0%	2.7%

Income and Financial Health

Personal Income (\$000s)

	Columbia County	Florida
2000	\$1,093,335	\$472,851,789
2010	\$1,932,659	\$732,457,478
% change 2000-2010	76.8%	54.9%
2020	\$2,784,335	\$1,235,793,410
% change 2010-2020	44.1%	68.7%
2021	\$3,039,473	\$1,356,318,587
% change 2020-2021	9.2%	9.8%

Per Capita Personal Income

	Columbia County	Florida
2000	\$19,327	\$29,466
2010	\$28,634	\$38,872
% change 2000-2010	48.2%	31.9%
2020	\$39,839	\$57,292
% change 2010-2020	39.1%	47.4%
2021	\$43,184	\$62,270
% change 2020-2021	8.4%	8.7%

Earnings by Place of Work (\$000s)

	Columbia County	Florida
2000	\$712,287	\$308,751,767
2010	\$1,086,961	\$438,983,914
% change 2000-2010	52.6%	42.2%
2020	\$1,525,497	\$686,243,741
% change 2010-2020	40.3%	56.3%
2021	\$1,601,107	\$764,483,116
% change 2020-2021	5.0%	11.4%

Median Income

	Columbia County	Florida
Median Household Income	\$47,750	\$61,777
Median Family Income	\$62,710	\$74,237

Percent in Poverty, 2021

	Columbia County	Florida
All ages in poverty	16.5%	13.2%
Under age 18 in poverty	22.7%	18.4%
Related children age 5-17 in families in poverty	22.0%	17.5%

Workers Aged 16 and Over

	Columbia County	Florida
Place of Work in Florida		
Worked outside county of residence	29.5%	17.8%
Travel Time to Work		
Mean travel time to work (minutes)	25.7	27.9

Personal Bankruptcy Filing Rate

	Columbia County	Florida
(per 1,000 population)		
12-Month Period Ending September 30, 2021	0.77	1.45
12-Month Period Ending September 30, 2022	0.67	1.14
State Rank	48	NA

NonBusiness Chapter 7 & Chapter 13

Reported County Government Revenues and Expenditures

Revenue 2019-20	Columbia County	Florida*	Expenditures 2019-20	Columbia County	Florida*
Total - All Revenue Account Codes (\$000s)	\$122,666.8	\$52,645,134.4	Total - All Expenditure Account Codes (\$000s)	\$112,483.23	\$48,804,501.28
Per Capita \$	\$1,737.07	\$2,553.85	Per Capita \$	\$1,592.86	\$2,367.54
% of Total	100.0%	100.0%	% of Total	100.0%	100.0%
Taxes (\$000s)	\$37,241.5	\$16,651,821.4	General Government Services** (\$000s)	\$10,175.46	\$8,468,311.68
Per Capita \$	\$527.37	\$807.79	Per Capita \$	\$144.09	\$410.80
% of Total	30.4%	31.6%	% of Total	9.0%	17.4%
Permits, Fee, and Special Assessments (\$000s)	\$10,112.4	\$2,256,256.6	Public Safety (\$000s)	\$31,527.51	\$12,039,077.73
Per Capita \$	\$143.20	\$109.45	Per Capita \$	\$446.46	\$584.02
% of Total	8.2%	4.3%	% of Total	28.0%	24.7%
Intergovernmental Revenues (\$000s)	\$30,653.4	\$7,095,752.8	Physical Environment (\$000s)	\$10,325.93	\$5,403,299.24
Per Capita \$	\$434.08	\$344.22	Per Capita \$	\$146.22	\$262.12
% of Total	25.0%	13.5%	% of Total	9.2%	11.1%
Charges for Services (\$000s)	\$11,425.9	\$14,148,555.9	Transportation (\$000s)	\$15,778.30	\$5,666,984.30
Per Capita \$	\$161.80	\$686.36	Per Capita \$	\$223.43	\$274.91
% of Total	9.3%	26.9%	% of Total	14.0%	11.6%
Judgments, Fines, and Forfeits (\$000s)	\$331.1	\$161,937.7	Economic Environment (\$000s)	\$6,528.39	\$1,793,284.71
Per Capita \$	\$4.69	\$7.86	Per Capita \$	\$92.45	\$86.99
% of Total	0.3%	0.3%	% of Total	5.8%	3.7%
Miscellaneous Revenues (\$000s)	\$2,824.6	\$1,629,204.3	Human Services (\$000s)	\$3,294.45	\$4,112,446.49
Per Capita \$	\$40.00	\$79.03	Per Capita \$	\$46.65	\$199.50
% of Total	2.3%	3.1%	% of Total	2.9%	8.4%
Other Sources (\$000s)	\$30,078.0	\$10,701,605.8	Culture / Recreation (\$000s)	\$3,217.82	\$1,960,626.16
Per Capita \$	\$425.93	\$519.14	Per Capita \$	\$45.57	\$95.11
% of Total	24.5%	20.3%	% of Total	2.9%	4.0%
			Other Uses and Non-Operating (\$000s)	\$29,159.12	\$8,431,538.28
			Per Capita \$	\$412.92	\$409.02
			% of Total	25.9%	17.3%
			Court-Related Expenditures (\$000s)	\$2,476.25	\$928,932.70
			Per Capita \$	\$35.07	\$45.06
			% of Total	2.2%	1.9%

\* 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	Columbia County	Florida
Crime rate, 2020 (index crimes per 100,000 population)	2,618.3	2,158.0
Admissions to prison FY 2021-22	336	25,362
Admissions to prison per 100,000 population FY 2021-22	469.8	113.9

State Infrastructure

Transportation	Columbia County	Florida
State Highway		
Centerline Miles	203.3	12,123.4
Lane Miles	626.7	45,337.5
State Bridges		
Number	72	7,079

State Facilities

Buildings/Facilities (min. 300 Square Feet)	Columbia County	Florida
Number	216	9,426
Square Footage	1,235,666	65,539,144

Conservation Land (land acres only)

State-Owned (includes partially-owned)	Columbia County	Florida
State-Owned (includes partially-owned)	28,433	5,689,323
% of Total Conservation Land (CL)	19.5%	54.9%
% of Total Area Land	5.6%	16.6%
% of Florida State-Owned CL	0.5%	

Health Insurance Status

Percent Insured by Age Group	Columbia County	Florida
Under 65 years	85.5%	84.5%
Under 19 years	92.6%	93.0%
18 to 64 years	82.6%	81.6%

State and Local Taxation

2022	Columbia County	Florida
	County-Wide	Not County-Wide*
County	7,8150	
School	5,5470	
Municipal		1,3052
Special Districts	0,3369	

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

Education

Public Education Schools	Columbia County	Florida
Traditional Setting (2022-23)	School District	
Total (state total includes special districts)	16	3,780
Elementary	10	1,878
Middle	2	569
Senior High	2	725
Combination	2	608

Educational attainment

Persons aged 25 and older	Columbia County	Florida
% HS graduate or higher	86.5%	89.0%
% bachelor's degree or higher	15.4%	31.5%

