

Lee County

Florida's 8th most populous county
with 3.6% of Florida's population



Population

	Lee County	Florida
Census Population		
1980 Census	205,266	9,746,961
1990 Census	335,113	12,938,071
2000 Census	440,888	15,982,824
2010 Census	618,754	18,801,332
2020 Census	760,822	21,538,187
% change 2010-2020	23.0%	14.6%
Age		
% Under 18 years of age	17.4%	19.5%
Race (alone) & Ethnicity		
% Not Hispanic-White	64.5%	51.5%
% Not Hispanic-Black or African American	7.4%	14.5%
% Not Hispanic-American Indian and Alaska Native	0.2%	0.2%
% Not Hispanic-Asian	1.7%	2.9%
% Not Hispanic-Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	0.0%	0.1%
% Not Hispanic-Some Other Race	0.5%	0.6%
% Not Hispanic-Two or More Races	3.0%	3.7%
% Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	22.8%	26.5%

Real Gross Domestic Product

	Lee County	Florida
Real GDP (Thousands of Chained 2012 Dollars)		
2015 GDP	25,739,463	852,242,411
Percent of the State	3.0%	
2016 GDP	27,623,624	881,539,238
Percent of the State	3.1%	
2017 GDP	28,253,372	912,687,386
Percent of the State	3.1%	
2018 GDP	29,154,745	941,626,696
Percent of the State	3.1%	
2019 GDP	29,515,140	965,672,478
Percent of the State	3.1%	
2020 GDP	29,571,443	950,164,387
Percent of the State	3.1%	
2021 GDP	32,191,829	1,029,575,591
Percent of the State	3.1%	

Population by Housing Type

	Lee County	Florida
Household Population	747,696	21,073,604
Household Population per Occupied Housing Unit	2.35	2.47
Group Quarters Population	13,126	464,583

Population Estimates

	Lee County	Florida
2021 Estimate	782,579	21,898,945
% change 2020-2021	2.9%	1.7%
2022 Estimate	802,178	22,276,132
% change 2020-2022	5.4%	3.4%
Based on 2021 Estimate		
2025	851,592	23,164,008
2030	924,486	24,471,129
2035	983,671	25,520,837
2040	1,033,781	26,405,472
2045	1,077,796	27,176,715
2050	1,118,093	27,877,707

Housing

	Lee County	Florida
Housing Counts		
Housing units, 2020 Census	416,332	9,865,350
Occupied	318,303	8,529,067
Vacant	98,029	1,336,283

Building Permits

	Lee County	Florida
Units Permitted		
2000	9,120	155,269
2010	1,276	38,679
2020	10,673	164,074
2021	13,394	213,494

Population Characteristics

	Lee County	Florida
Language spoken at home other than English		
Persons aged 5 and over	23.7%	29.8%
Place of birth		
Foreign born	17.1%	21.0%
Veteran status		
Civilian population 18 and over	8.6%	8.2%

Density

	Lee County	Florida
Persons per square mile		
2000	548.6	296.4
2010	788.7	350.6
2020	974.2	401.4
2022	1,002.0	408.2

Migration

	Lee County	Florida
Residence 1 Year Ago		
Persons aged 1 and over		
Same house	85.3%	85.2%
Different house in the U.S.	13.9%	13.8%
Same county in Florida	7.9%	7.9%
Different county in Florida	2.0%	3.1%
Different county in another state	4.1%	2.9%
Abroad	0.7%	0.9%

Households and Family Households

	Lee County	Florida
Households		
Total households, 2000 Census	188,599	6,338,075
Family households, 2000 Census	127,611	4,210,760
% with own children under 18	33.1%	42.3%
Total households, 2010 Census	259,818	7,420,802
Family households, 2010 Census	171,026	4,835,475
% with own children under 18	33.9%	40.0%
Average Household Size, 2010 Census	2.35	2.48
Average Family Size, 2010 Census	2.81	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		Lee County		Florida		Establishments		Lee County		Florida	
2021		% of All Industries, 2021		% of All Industries, 2021		2021		% of All Industries, 2021		% of All Industries, 2021	
All industries	26,476	26,476	820,313	26,476	820,313	All industries	26,476	26,476	820,313	26,476	820,313
Natural Resource & Mining	114	0.4%	5,545	0.4%	0.7%	Natural Resource & Mining	114	0.4%	5,545	0.4%	0.7%
Construction	3,982	15.0%	78,395	15.0%	9.6%	Construction	3,982	15.0%	78,395	15.0%	9.6%
Manufacturing	641	2.4%	22,795	2.4%	2.8%	Manufacturing	641	2.4%	22,795	2.4%	2.8%
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	4,547	17.2%	151,294	17.2%	18.4%	Trade, Transportation and Utilities	4,547	17.2%	151,294	17.2%	18.4%
Information	374	1.4%	16,928	1.4%	2.1%	Information	374	1.4%	16,928	1.4%	2.1%
Financial Activities	3,283	12.4%	89,810	12.4%	10.9%	Financial Activities	3,283	12.4%	89,810	12.4%	10.9%
Professional & Business Services	5,983	22.6%	205,828	22.6%	25.1%	Professional & Business Services	5,983	22.6%	205,828	22.6%	25.1%
Education & Health Services	2,625	9.9%	92,489	9.9%	11.3%	Education & Health Services	2,625	9.9%	92,489	9.9%	11.3%
Leisure and Hospitality	2,284	8.6%	63,682	8.6%	7.8%	Leisure and Hospitality	2,284	8.6%	63,682	8.6%	7.8%
Other Services	1,973	7.5%	57,817	7.5%	7.0%	Other Services	1,973	7.5%	57,817	7.5%	7.0%
Government	184	0.7%	5,893	0.7%	0.7%	Government	184	0.7%	5,893	0.7%	0.7%

Average Annual Employment		Lee County		Florida		Average Annual Wage		Lee County		Florida	
% of All Industries, 2021		% of All Industries, 2021		% of All Industries, 2021		2021		% of All Industries, 2021		% of All Industries, 2021	
All industries	273,955	273,955	8,859,818	273,955	8,859,818	All industries	\$52,657	\$52,657	\$60,299	\$52,657	\$60,299
Natural Resource & Mining	0.6%	0.6%	0.8%	0.6%	0.8%	Natural Resource & Mining	\$40,397	\$40,397	\$42,128	\$40,397	\$42,128
Construction	12.6%	12.6%	6.5%	12.6%	6.5%	Construction	\$54,891	\$54,891	\$59,088	\$54,891	\$59,088
Manufacturing	2.6%	2.6%	4.4%	2.6%	4.4%	Manufacturing	\$59,018	\$59,018	\$69,997	\$59,018	\$69,997
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	19.9%	19.9%	20.7%	19.9%	20.7%	Trade, Transportation and Utilities	\$45,183	\$45,183	\$53,762	\$45,183	\$53,762
Information	1.0%	1.0%	1.6%	1.0%	1.6%	Information	\$74,057	\$74,057	\$104,461	\$74,057	\$104,461
Financial Activities	4.9%	4.9%	6.9%	4.9%	6.9%	Financial Activities	\$77,742	\$77,742	\$93,945	\$77,742	\$93,945
Professional & Business Services	13.4%	13.4%	16.5%	13.4%	16.5%	Professional & Business Services	\$62,400	\$62,400	\$74,787	\$62,400	\$74,787
Education & Health Services	11.4%	11.4%	15.0%	11.4%	15.0%	Education & Health Services	\$61,487	\$61,487	\$59,043	\$61,487	\$59,043
Leisure and Hospitality	14.9%	14.9%	12.7%	14.9%	12.7%	Leisure and Hospitality	\$29,269	\$29,269	\$31,029	\$29,269	\$31,029
Other Services	3.2%	3.2%	3.0%	3.2%	3.0%	Other Services	\$40,523	\$40,523	\$44,107	\$40,523	\$44,107
Government	15.4%	15.4%	11.8%	15.4%	11.8%	Government	\$60,484	\$60,484	\$61,210	\$60,484	\$61,210

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

Labor Force as Percent of Population		Lee County		Florida		Unemployment Rate		Lee County		Florida	
Aged 18 and Older		Aged 18 and Older		Aged 18 and Older		2021		Aged 18 and Older		2021	
2000	59.1%	59.1%	64.2%	59.1%	64.2%	2000	3.3%	3.3%	3.8%	3.3%	3.8%
2010	56.4%	56.4%	61.8%	56.4%	61.8%	2010	12.1%	12.1%	10.8%	12.1%	10.8%
2020	56.4%	56.4%	58.6%	56.4%	58.6%	2020	7.9%	7.9%	8.2%	7.9%	8.2%
2021	55.9%	55.9%	59.0%	55.9%	59.0%	2021	4.2%	4.2%	4.6%	4.2%	4.6%
2022 preliminary	56.6%	56.6%	60.1%	56.6%	60.1%	2022 preliminary	2.9%	2.9%	2.7%	2.9%	2.7%

Income and Financial Health

Personal Income (\$000s)		Lee County		Florida		Per Capita Personal Income		Lee County		Florida	
2000	\$12,779,956	\$12,779,956	\$472,851,789	\$12,779,956	\$472,851,789	2000	\$28,764	\$28,764	\$29,466	\$28,764	\$29,466
2010	\$24,629,058	\$24,629,058	\$732,457,478	\$24,629,058	\$732,457,478	2010	\$39,725	\$39,725	\$38,872	\$39,725	\$38,872
% change 2000-2010	92.7%	92.7%	54.9%	92.7%	54.9%	% change 2000-2010	38.1%	38.1%	31.9%	38.1%	31.9%
2020	\$45,345,499	\$45,345,499	\$1,235,793,410	\$45,345,499	\$1,235,793,410	2020	\$59,300	\$59,300	\$57,292	\$59,300	\$57,292
% change 2010-2020	84.1%	84.1%	68.7%	84.1%	68.7%	% change 2010-2020	49.3%	49.3%	47.4%	49.3%	47.4%
2021	\$49,552,254	\$49,552,254	\$1,356,318,587	\$49,552,254	\$1,356,318,587	2021	\$62,885	\$62,885	\$62,270	\$62,885	\$62,270
% change 2020-2021	9.3%	9.3%	9.8%	9.3%	9.8%	% change 2020-2021	6.0%	6.0%	8.7%	6.0%	8.7%

Earnings by Place of Work (\$000s)		Lee County		Florida		Median Income		Lee County		Florida	
2000	\$7,005,480	\$7,005,480	\$308,751,767	\$7,005,480	\$308,751,767	2000	\$63,235	\$63,235	\$61,777	\$63,235	\$61,777
2010	\$12,794,679	\$12,794,679	\$438,983,914	\$12,794,679	\$438,983,914	2010	\$74,565	\$74,565	\$74,237	\$74,565	\$74,237
% change 2000-2010	82.6%	82.6%	42.2%	82.6%	42.2%	Median Household Income					
2020	\$20,767,160	\$20,767,160	\$686,243,741	\$20,767,160	\$686,243,741	Median Family Income					
% change 2010-2020	62.3%	62.3%	56.3%	62.3%	56.3%						
2021	\$23,006,694	\$23,006,694	\$764,483,116	\$23,006,694	\$764,483,116						
% change 2020-2021	10.8%	10.8%	11.4%	10.8%	11.4%						

Workers Aged 16 and Over		Lee County		Florida		Personal Bankruptcy Filing Rate		Lee County		Florida	
Place of Work in Florida						(per 1,000 population)					
Worked outside county of residence	10.9%	10.9%	17.8%	10.9%	17.8%	12-Month Period Ending September 30, 2021	1.27	1.27	1.45	1.27	1.45
Travel Time to Work						12-Month Period Ending September 30, 2022	0.94	0.94	1.14	0.94	1.14
Mean travel time to work (minutes)	27.8	27.8	27.9	27.8	27.9	State Rank	26	26	NA	26	NA

NonBusiness Chapter 7 & Chapter 13

Reported County Government Revenues and Expenditures

Revenue 2019-20	Lee County	Florida*	Expenditures 2019-20	Lee County	Florida*
Total - All Revenue Account Codes (\$000s)	\$1,861,137.2	\$52,645,134.4	Total - All Expenditure Account Codes (\$000s)	\$1,720,348.84	\$48,804,501.28
Per Capita \$	\$2,479.89	\$2,553.85	Per Capita \$	\$2,292.29	\$2,367.54
% of Total	100.0%	100.0%	% of Total	100.0%	100.0%
Taxes (\$000s)	\$466,056.4	\$16,651,821.4	General Government Services** (\$000s)	\$324,996.33	\$8,468,311.68
Per Capita \$	\$621.00	\$807.79	Per Capita \$	\$433.04	\$410.80
% of Total	25.0%	31.6%	% of Total	18.9%	17.4%
Permits, Fee, and Special Assessments (\$000s)	\$54,499.4	\$2,256,256.6	Public Safety (\$000s)	\$306,334.39	\$12,039,077.73
Per Capita \$	\$72.62	\$109.45	Per Capita \$	\$408.18	\$584.02
% of Total	2.9%	4.3%	% of Total	17.8%	24.7%
Intergovernmental Revenues (\$000s)	\$309,016.9	\$7,095,752.8	Physical Environment (\$000s)	\$220,322.85	\$5,403,299.24
Per Capita \$	\$411.75	\$344.22	Per Capita \$	\$293.57	\$262.12
% of Total	16.6%	13.5%	% of Total	12.8%	11.1%
Charges for Services (\$000s)	\$586,431.8	\$14,148,555.9	Transportation (\$000s)	\$280,949.08	\$5,666,984.30
Per Capita \$	\$781.40	\$686.36	Per Capita \$	\$374.35	\$274.91
% of Total	31.5%	26.9%	% of Total	16.3%	11.6%
Judgments, Fines, and Forfeits (\$000s)	\$2,816.2	\$161,937.7	Economic Environment (\$000s)	\$26,894.27	\$1,793,284.71
Per Capita \$	\$3.75	\$7.86	Per Capita \$	\$35.84	\$86.99
% of Total	0.2%	0.3%	% of Total	1.6%	3.7%
Miscellaneous Revenues (\$000s)	\$38,853.4	\$1,629,204.3	Human Services (\$000s)	\$52,082.13	\$4,112,446.49
Per Capita \$	\$51.77	\$79.03	Per Capita \$	\$69.40	\$199.50
% of Total	2.1%	3.1%	% of Total	3.0%	8.4%
Other Sources (\$000s)	\$403,463.1	\$10,701,605.8	Culture / Recreation (\$000s)	\$74,248.13	\$1,960,626.16
Per Capita \$	\$537.60	\$519.14	Per Capita \$	\$98.93	\$95.11
% of Total	21.7%	20.3%	% of Total	4.3%	4.0%
			Other Uses and Non-Operating (\$000s)	\$390,085.01	\$8,431,538.28
			Per Capita \$	\$519.77	\$409.02
			% of Total	22.7%	17.3%
			Court-Related Expenditures (\$000s)	\$44,436.66	\$928,932.70
			Per Capita \$	\$59.21	\$45.06
			% of Total	2.6%	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	Lee County	Florida
Crime rate, 2020 (index crimes per 100,000 population)	1,361.5	2,158.0
Admissions to prison FY 2021-22	737	25,362
Admissions to prison per 100,000 population FY 2021-22	91.9	113.9

State Infrastructure

Transportation	Lee County	Florida
State Highway		
Centerline Miles	169.6	12,123.4
Lane Miles	825.4	45,337.5
State Bridges		
Number	106	7,079

State Facilities

Buildings/Facilities (min. 300 Square Feet)	Lee County	Florida
Number	130	9,426
Square Footage	959,911	65,539,144

Conservation Land (land acres only)

State-Owned (includes partially-owned)	Lee County	Florida
State-Owned (includes partially-owned)	51,756	5,689,323
% of Total Conservation Land (CL)	52.2%	54.9%
% of Total Area Land	10.3%	16.6%
% of Florida State-Owned CL	0.9%	

Health Insurance Status

Percent Insured by Age Group	Lee County	Florida
Under 65 years	80.7%	84.5%
Under 19 years	89.8%	93.0%
18 to 64 years	77.8%	81.6%

State and Local Taxation

2022	Lee County	
	County-Wide	Not County-Wide*
County	3,7623	0.8835
School	5,5570	
Municipal		2,0409
Special Districts	0,2920	1,9166

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

Education

Public Education Schools	Lee County	Florida
Traditional Setting (2022-23)		
Total (state total includes special districts)	110	3,780
Elementary	51	1,878
Middle	18	569
Senior High	28	725
Combination	13	608

Educational attainment

Persons aged 25 and older	Lee County	Florida
% HS graduate or higher	89.8%	89.0%
% bachelor's degree or higher	29.0%	31.5%

