

# DeSoto County

Florida's 48th most populous county  
with .2% of Florida's population

## Crime

	DeSoto County	Florida
Crime rate (index crimes per 100,000 population)		
2019	2,154.4	2,551.1
2020	1,984.8	2,152.3
2020 rank in state	27	NA
% change from 2019 to 2020	-7.9%	-15.6%
Violent crimes		
2019	159	81,092
2020	186	82,941
County share of violent crimes	0.2%	NA
Violent crime rate (violent crimes per 100,000 population)		
2019	440.9	382.4
2020	501.6	384.1
2020 rank in state	12	NA
% change from 2019 to 2020	13.8%	0.4%

## Felony Filings

	DeSoto County	Florida
<b>FY 2019-20 Total Filings(defendants)</b>	613	158,200
Violent crimes	27	4,719
Other crimes against persons	96	31,585
Crimes against property	299	72,981
Drug Crimes	191	48,915
<b>Change from prior FY</b>	-1.9%	-10.9%
Violent crimes	35.0%	3.7%
Other crimes against persons	-1.0%	0.0%
Crimes against property	-6.3%	-11.8%
Drug Crimes	1.1%	-16.7%

Total charges FY 2019-20	1,591	345,611
Number of charges per defendant	2.6	2.2

## Juvenile Delinquency

	DeSoto County	Florida
FY 2019-20 juvenile delinquency complaints filed	193	38,331
Per 100,000 juveniles 10-17	5,177.0	1,947.1
Juveniles direct filed to adult court	0	1,031
County share of juveniles direct filed	0.0%	NA

## New Commitments to Prison

	DeSoto County	Florida
2019	160	27,242
2020	63	12,834
% change from 2019 to 2020	-60.4%	-52.9%
2020 rank in state	44	NA
County share of new commitments	0.5%	NA
% of new commitments who are female	14.0%	14.6%

## 2020 New Commitments by Offense Category

	DeSoto County	Florida
Murder/manslaughter	1	416
Sexual/lewd behavior	6	750
Robbery	2	654
Other violent	13	2,068
Burglary	9	1,741
Property theft/fraud	4	1,868
Drugs	19	3,119
Weapons	6	945
Other	3	1,274

## Change in New Commitments from 2019

	DeSoto County	Florida
Murder/manslaughter	4.9%	-57.1%
Sexual/lewd behavior	-52.3%	-54.9%
Robbery	-30.1%	-57.0%
Other violent	-49.7%	-50.3%
Burglary	-53.4%	-54.2%
Property theft/fraud	-82.5%	-53.6%
Drugs	-56.5%	-52.6%
Weapons	-59.7%	-51.0%
Other	-79.0%	-50.7%



**Drug New Commitments**

	DeSoto County	Florida
Drug new commitments as % of all new commitments		
2019	27.2%	24.2%
2020	29.8%	24.3%
County share of all drug new commitments--2020	0.6%	NA
As percent of drug new commitments--2020		
Drug trafficking	11.8%	21.4%
Drug manufacture/sale/purchase	47.1%	37.6%
Drug possession/other	41.2%	41.0%

**Sentence Length of New Commitments**

	DeSoto County	Florida
Average sentence length (months)		
2019	38.3	59.9
2020	58.9	55.7
2020 year-and-a-day new commitments	9	911
As percent of all new commitments	14.1%	7.1%
County share of all year-and-a-day new commitments	1.0%	NA

**DOC Incarcerated Inmates by County of Commitment**

	DeSoto County	Florida
June 30, 2020	145	87,736
Incarceration rate (inmates per 100,000 county population)	391.0	406.3
County rank	39	NA

**DOC Community Supervision**

	DeSoto County	Florida
FY 2019-20 admissions by county of conviction	241	62,690
County share of all supervision admissions	0.4%	NA
June 30, 2020 supervised population	542	153,542
County share of supervised population	0.4%	NA

**Department of Corrections Facilities**

	DeSoto County	Florida
DOC facilities--6/30/20	2	145
DOC inmates--6/30/20	1,822	87,736
% of DOC inmates in county	2.1%	NA

**County Detention Facilities**

	DeSoto County	Florida
Average daily population		
June 2020	1,986	48,012
County jail capacity		
June 2020	NA	NA
Occupancy rate	NA	NA

**Registered Sex Offenders**

	DeSoto County	Florida
Offenders	92	27,397
Predators	11	4,241
Total	103	31,638
County share of registered sex offenders and predators	0.3%	NA
Registered sex offenders and predators per 100,000 population	277.8	146.5

**County Demographics**

	DeSoto County	Florida
Official 4/1/20 Estimate of population	37,082	21,596,068
Population change 2010-20	2,220	2,794,736
% change from 2010 to 2020	6.4%	14.9%
Median age	39.7	41.8
Persons per square mile	58	403

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